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New Mr. & Ms. Hansford Manor Crowned

February is an exciting month at Hansford Manor. On top of the many activities normally scheduled for our residents the yearly Valentine's Day Secret Valentine and elections of Manor Sweetheart, King and Queen are among one of the favorites for staff, Manor Residents, and their families to participate in.

The title of Manor Sweetheart this year went to a volunteer who's help and dedication to the Manor and it's Residents continues to be one of the many things that keeps our Residents thriving. Claudine Laxton has become a wonderful asset to our Manor and a valued friend among our Residents. She helps with a variety of activities both in and out of the Manor and always tries to go the extra mile. Thank you Claudine for all you do.

The crowning of King and Queen was held and the results are as follows:

The Secret Valentine top 10 men for kings court were:

Randy Blakley, Jose Avila, Van Bartel, Neal Fuqua, John Sutterfield, Don Allen, Billy Beck, Ramon Cantu, Bill Whitson, and Kim Cluck.

The Secret Valentine top 10 ladies for the queens court were: Stella Cummings, Jeanine Day, Alta Fisher, Pat Kunselman, Caro Lee Frantz, Eloise Renner, Betty Davis, Holly Brack, Nan Nicholson, and Mary Fern Terry.

Second runners up for King and Queen were: John Woodward and Mary Reynolds
First runners up for King and Queen were: Mart Hart and Idella Randall.

The title of King and Queen went to: Fred Mans and Nina Hendricks.

Fred Mans married Martha Ottinger in 1957 where they went on to have two children, Melissa and Tony. He later married Helen Meaker in 1992. Fred was in the Navy and was a rancher/farmer here in Hansford County. He loves to travel and in addition to Las Vegas he has been to Maui, Italy, South America and Canada. He has two grandchildren and loves to dance.

Nina Hendricks married Don Hendricks September 11, 1944 at the age of 16. She has 3 biological children and together with Don went on to raise 2 other children. Nina has been blessed with 12 grandchildren and 28 great-grandchildren. Nina worked as a contract rural carrier for the post office for over 40 years. Nina also served 10 years as an EMT and 7 as a volunteer on the Spearman Fire Department. During her time as a volunteer Nina was named citizen of the year, and remarkably named fireman of the year, during the same year.



Hansford Manor Volunteer Claudine Laxton was named Manor Sweetheart



Nina Hendricks, Ms. Hansford Manor and Fred Mans, Mr. Hansford Manor



Lauren Patterson - Breed Champion Yorkshire and Recipient of a \$10,000 scholarship.

Spearman FFA Members Compete at San Antonio Livestock Show

The Junior Market Barrows Show was held on February 22, 2012 at the San Antonio Livestock Show and Rodeo.

Grand Champion Yorkshire honors were received by Laura Patterson of Spearman, Texas. Prince is currently a member of Spearman FFA. Her barrow, "Rugby" was bred by Daniel Schley. Spearman would like to attend Tarelton State University one day.

Chad Wisdom of Levelland, Texas received Reserve Champion Yorkshire honors. Wisdom is currently a member of Levelland FFA. His barrow was bred by Wintex Farms. Wisdom plans to attend Texas A&M University one day.

Other Spearman FFA members competing in San Antonio Jr. Market Barrow Show include: Malory Martin, Class Winning Cross; Richard Jarvis, 2nd Place Hampshire; Brantly Shields, 2nd Place Hampshire; Trace Patterson, 3rd Place Cross; Lexie Jackson, 4th Place Berkshire; Reid Harrell, 5th Place Hampshire; Marlie Kelp, 5th Place Cross; Mabry Sutterfield, 8th Place Cross; Reece Shields, 9th Place Cross; Thaxton Boyd, 9th Place Cross; Lilly Patterson, 9th Place Cross; Jace Lang Swan, 10th Place Dark Cross; Daniel Jarvis, 10th Place Hampshire; Trayse Heater; Josh Martinez; Karissa Martinez; Joe Martinez; Ryan Schnell; Kelsea Porter; Alec Ceniceros; Beau Brown; Jesus Lucero; Steffan Werner; Shakota Field; Sarah Jackson; William Jackson; Isaiah Navarette; Chaz Patterson; Zane Patterson; and Jonathan Crowl.

Spearman FFA members competing in the Jr. Market Lamb Show include: Jennifer Crow, 8th Place Blackface Lamb and Jonathan Crowl.

Spearman FFA members competing in the Jr. Market Steer Show include: Zane Patterson, 3rd Place Hereford; Trace Patterson, 4th Place Chianina; and Trayse Heater.

Weather Forecast

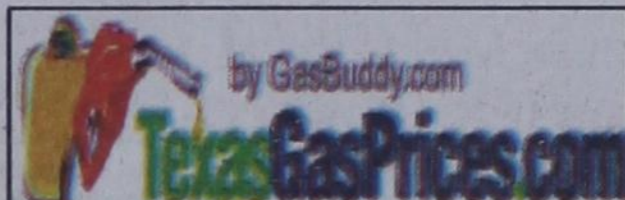
THURSDAY - Mostly sunny. Highs around 70. West winds 10 to 20 mph.
THURSDAY NIGHT - Partly cloudy. Lows in the lower 30s. West winds 15 to 20 mph shifting to the north 10 to 15 mph after midnight.
FRIDAY - Mostly cloudy with a 20 percent chance of rain or snow showers. Cooler. Highs in the upper 40s.
FRIDAY NIGHT - Partly cloudy. Lows in the lower 20s.
SATURDAY - Mostly sunny. Highs in the lower 50s.
SATURDAY NIGHT - Partly cloudy. Lows in the mid 20s.
SUNDAY - Mostly sunny. Highs in the lower 60s.
SUNDAY NIGHT - Mostly clear. Lows in the lower 30s.
MONDAY - Mostly sunny. Highs in the lower 70s.
MONDAY NIGHT - Partly cloudy. Lows in the mid 30s.
Read more: <http://www.city-data.com/forecast/w-Spearman-Texas.html#ixzz1njUmxyhe>

Spearman Police Department News

Caution

by Chief Robert G. Baker

On 02/27/2012 white male was going door to door in Spearman claiming to be working for DISH Network. The male was described as 5'5", wearing a beret type cap, light blue or gray shirt with both Direct-TV and DISH Network patches on the front. The male was driving a small gold to tan colored car. This man is telling people that he wants to come into your home to look at the satellite receiver and that there are free upgrades available and so forth. This man will actually have paper work to fill out. Should a person claiming to be with either DISH Network or Direct-TV come to your home, please call the police dept. before letting them in. Should anyone knock on your door that you do not know please contact the police department immediately. The City of Spearman requires that anyone wishing to solicit door to door register with the City Secretary.



Weekly Update

Chicago, IL February 22- Motorists should be aware of the likelihood of a sharp rise in gasoline prices in the next few days and through the weekend in Texas. "I expect stations to increase prices as much as 5-20 cents per gallon by the conclusion of the weekend with some stations starting to raise prices immediately," says Patrick DeHaan, GasBuddy.com Senior Petroleum Analyst.

DeHaan warns that a refinery fire in Washington state is boosting prices significantly throughout the entire West Coast region, and rising spot prices in Great Lakes area is boosting prices 30-45 cents per gallon today in Michigan, Indiana, Ohio, Kentucky. Prices have also been reportedly rising fast in New England, Florida, and areas of the East Coast.

Gregg Laskoski, Petroleum Analyst also cites the refinery fire in Washington for an expected jump in California, saying "prices across the State of California already made significant advances in the prior seven days, and with the refinery fire, motorists should expect prices to rise in similar fashion as last February when the Libyan situation unfolded."

Texas, February 27- Average retail gasoline prices in Texas have risen 8.4 cents per gallon in the past week, averaging \$3.55/g yesterday. This compares with the national average that has increased 11.3 cents per gallon in the last week to \$3.64/g, according to gasoline price website TexasGasPrices.com.

Including the change in gas prices in Texas during the past week, prices yesterday were 33.0 cents per gallon higher than the same day one year ago and are 28.3 cents per gallon higher than a month ago. The national average has increased 26.6 cents per gallon during the last month and stands 29.8 cents per gallon higher than this day one year ago.

"2012 is looking increasingly like 2008," said Gregg Laskoski, Senior Petroleum Analyst for GasBuddy.com. "Gasoline prices are climbing aggressively as speculation drives crude oil higher; and once again, it's an election year. But this time it's the volatility in the Middle East that has everyone wondering 'How high is up?'" he added.

GasBuddy operates, TexasGasPrices.com, and over 225 other local gasoline pricetracking websites that follow prices at over 125,000 gasoline stations in the United States and Canada. GasBuddy also uses Facebook (facebook.com/gasbuddy) Twitter (twitter.com/gasbuddy), and phone apps to keep motorists ahead of changing gasoline prices.

Texas Crop & Weather

The following specific livestock, crop and weather conditions were reported by Panhandle Extension directors for February 22, 2012: The weather varied from mild to extremely cold. Soil moisture continued to be mostly short to very short. A few areas reported receiving some moisture. Farmers continued preparing fields for spring planting and were actively irrigating wheat. Most winter wheat was in fair to poor condition. Rangeland and pastures were in fair to very poor condition, with most reporting poor to very poor. Those producers who didn't liquidate their herds during the drought began the spring calving season. They also continued providing supplemental feeding as rangeland grasses were sparse and wheat pasture was short.

Wolf Creek Heritage Museum Notes

by Virginia Scott

MUSEUM HAPPENINGS

We are starting to get sport items in to assist us with our history of Lipscomb County Sports.

This is the last week for the student art show. We have had a suggestion on some changes of the show for next year.

People are discovering us on the internet and are emailing us for information

on their ancestors that were residents of Lipscomb County at some point. It is always fun to research these requests and send information to someone about their family.

Reminders:

1. The Lipscomb County Student Art Show is fully installed and is very colorful. It seems the major theme is snow with snowmen and snowflakes.

see your children's art. 2. We need Sports Memorabilia for an exhibit we are creating on sports in Lipscomb County

HISTORICAL MUSINGS

March 2nd is Texas' 176th birthday, if I subtracted correctly. The Texas Declaration of Independence was produced, literally, overnight.

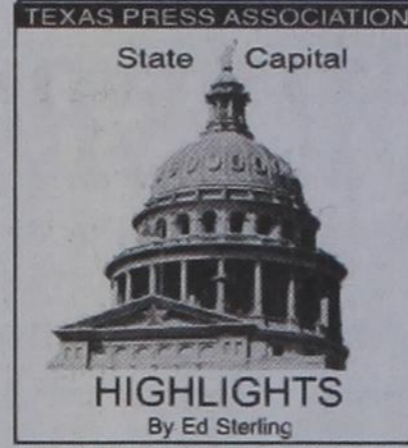
Immediately upon the assemblage of the Convention of 1836 on March 1, a committee of five of its delegates were appointed to draft the document.

The document parallels somewhat that of the United States. It contains statements on the function and responsibility of government, followed by a list of grievances.

This day is a legal holiday in Texas recognized by the United States. It is considered a partial staffing day in state offices.

We joined the union in 1845, but have remained unique and one of a kind. Sam Houston stated in June 1850 to the U.S. Senate: "Texas is a state of mind."

Have a good week.



Court favors landowners in water rights case

AUSTIN - A Texas Supreme Court opinion delivered last week in the case Edwards Aquifer Authority v. Day can be boiled down to this: the rights of property owners to the water under their land outweighs governmental control of access to that water.

Justice Nathan Hecht, author of the opinion dated Feb. 22, wrote that the landowners have a constitutionally protected interest in the groundwater beneath their property and that groundwater cannot be taken for public use without adequate compensation guaranteed by the Texas Constitution.

The court affirmed an appellate court ruling and remanded the case to the district court for further proceedings. The case was brought by farmer-ranchers near Von Ormy in Atascosa County, near San Antonio.

Texas Agriculture Commissioner Todd Staples and a coalition of private property owners' rights advocates applauded the decision.

But the Edwards Aquifer Authority said the ruling could prove problematic for local water districts whose job it is to manage and conserve water supplies.

Report shows lag in insurance

Among working Texans age 65 or younger, 51.1 percent did not have health care coverage through their employer in 2009-2010. This calculation puts Texas at 48th among the 50 states.

The information was published in a Feb. 23 report by the Austin-based Center for Public Policy Priorities using statistics from the Washington, D.C.-based Economic Policy Institute. The report shows a decline in coverage by Texas employers in the period between 2000-2001 and 2009-2010.

Center for Public Policy Priorities policy analyst Stacey Pogue said the information indicates small employers need the support and protection of federal health care reform. State-based affordable health care exchanges mandated by the U.S. Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act of 2010 are scheduled to become available to employers by 2014.

Texas Attorney General

STATE CAPITAL HIGHLIGHTS



by Ed Sterling

Greg Abbott and the attorneys general of 25 other states have united in the opinion that the federal health care law violates the U.S. Constitution by forcing citizens to buy health insurance.

The federal health care law, referred to by some as "Obama Care," on Jan. 1, 2014, will impose an annual penalty of \$95, or up to 1 percent of income, whichever is greater, on individuals who do not secure health insurance coverage.

Abbott, AGs, call on Google

Attorney General Abbott last week issued a statement after joining a coalition of state attorneys general who wrote to Google expressing concerns about planned changes in the Internet search engine company's privacy settings set to take effect March 1.

To quote: "By unilaterally consolidating users' personal data from multiple but previously distinct platforms and failing to allow users to opt-out, Google is depriving its customers of an opportunity to control how their personal information is used and shared."

The National Association of Attorneys General listed key concerns as follows:

• Google's new policy appears to invade consumer's privacy by automatically sharing personal information that users input into one Google product with all Google products - without affording users a genuine opportunity to opt-

out of having their information shared;

• Computer users - particularly business and government computer users - who wish to avoid Google's information sharing would be forced to incur significant expenses associated with switching their operations to different platforms; and

• Google's new policy is incompatible with Google's long-standing promise to respect consumers' privacy.

Tuition plan enrollment ends

Comptroller Susan Combs on Feb. 24 posted a reminder that Feb. 29 is the deadline for enrollment in the state's prepaid college tuition program.

Under the plan, Combs said, families can prepay tuition and required fees for a four-year degree, two years of community college or just a few semesters at Texas public colleges and universities by purchasing tuition units.

July 31, however, is the enrollment deadline for parents of newborns and children under one year old.

Date for primaries still up in air

Because of ongoing legal disagreements over the drawing of state House districts and U.S. congressional districts, the earliest date party primaries can be held has moved continually later over the last few months.

March 6 was the original scheduled date. The current but tentative seeming date is April 3. But an array of calculations push the date to late April, late May and even late June.

Words from Faith & Grace

by Cecil R. Biggers, Lutheran Lay Minister



During the second week of the Season of Lent, as we examine ourselves we note the meaning of names to God, the promise that comes through faith, and the meaning of the gift of life.

We study the promise of God to Abram when Abram was ninety-nine years old and his wife, Sarai was ninety. God promises Abraham "You shall be the ancestor of a multitude of nations."

The Psalmist sings an individual lament. We will study the beginning verses of this Psalm on Good Friday; but, this portion of the Psalm is the resolution of the Psalmist's cry of complaint to God.

Paul tells the Church at Rome that the Promise to Abraham did not come through the law, but through the righteousness of faith. God 'reckoned' Abraham's faith in God as righteousness.

Jesus tells his disciples for the first of three times in the Gospel of Mark that he is going to suffer greatly, be rejected by the elders, chief priests, and scribes and be killed. Peter cannot accept this and rebukes Jesus.

May the Holy Spirit enable your faith and allow you to serve God gratefully.

Wolf Creek Heritage Museum

Museum Hours: Monday thru Friday 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Special hours upon request.

Museum Information: 13310 Hwy 305, PO Box 5, Lipscomb TX 79056; telephone: 806-852-2123; e m a i l : wolfcrk@amaonline.com; website: www.wolfcreekheritagemuseum.org

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- ACROSS 1. Three square ones a day 6. Feline sound 9. Slope or hillside 13. Muslim God 14. Spermatozoa counterpart 15. "Little Deuce ____" song 16. ____ Boothe Luce 17. "Lake" in Provence 18. Taken by server 19. *Where most Presidents went to college 21. *He was famously Catholic 23. "He ____ and drank the precious words..." 24. Fool 25. Toy maker 28. "The American Tribal Love-Rock Musical" 30. Interstellar cloud 35. Like sinister side in "Star Wars" 37. Mountain goat terrain 39. Ranked or graded 40. Used in fencing 41. Luciano Pavarotti, e.g. 43. Actress ____ Sofer 44. "Your Body Is a Wonderland" performer 46. ____ Lee 47. Hat part 48. Popular flowering shrub 50. Do over 52. Feared by illegal immigrants 53. "Far and ____" the best 55. It fought British rule 57. Like a snake 61. *Tallest President 65. Hoppity-like board game 66. *35 is the minimum ____ 68. Embryo sacs 69. Type of flu 70. Chewbacca's sidekick 71. Like yellow polka dot bikini 72. Not nice 73. R&R spot 74. Plural of suffix denoting female DOWN 1. One of these is approximately equal to speed of sound 2. Famous female scat singer 3. Having or resembling wings 4. Caterpillar precursor 5. Holder for #40 Across 6. Result of dampness 7. Actress Longoria 8. Mad or crazy 9. *Pres. Coolidge was ____ on the Fourth of July 10. Ill-mannered 11. Imitated 12. Suggestive of supernatural 15. Talk it over 20. Respond 22. Longest division of geological time 24. Grain storage 25. Organ swelling 26. Largest city in Bolivia 27. Goddess of love, Norse mythology 29. Wraths 31. Aggressive remark 32. Wombs 33. Most famous Bolshevik? 34. *First White House inhabitant 36. ____ over 38. *He won popular but lost electoral vote 42. Exact halves of diameters 45. *Oldest elected President 49. Hole punching tool 51. Like baroque 54. Indian nursemaids 56. Highest points 57. It featured George Michael 58. Enthusiastic review 59. Hipbones 60. FBI agent 61. River in Siberia 62. Singles 63. Drawn in the sand? years 64. They oppose the ____ Generation ____

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63. Drawn in the sand? years 64. They oppose the ____ Generation ____

CROSSWORD grid with numbers 1-73 and some pre-filled letters.

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Happy Birthday!

March 1
Birthday - Lori Swink, Justin Ooley, David Stafford, Michael Rosales, Gary Cates, Ruby Mitchell, Mary Saldavar, Nora Baca, John Duncan, Peggy Robinson, Caleb Miller, Danny Parker, Colt Close
Anniversary - M/M Robbie Dewberry, M/M Harold King, Norlan & Linda Winegarner, Jeffrey & Danielle Jackson

March 2
Birthday - Wynn (Maupin) Essler, Justin Thompson, Tonni Yanke, Olive "Babe" Pendergraft, Wayne Barber, Matthew Baker, Carma Dorton, Bob Farr, Robin McCullough, Rachelle Moreno, Josh Winegarner, Ryan Hill, Sammy Renteria
Anniversary - M/M Joel Lackey

March 3
Birthday - Sue Smith, Jackie Womble, Vicky (Papay) Cummings, Doris Brogdon, Kim Scroggs, Kelley Hart, Cass Lasater, Andy Scarborough, Brian Black, Darla Black, Amber Fox, Allan Taylor, Denise Schuman, Crystal Harris, Richard Melton, Paxton Pittman, Matti Wheelock, Pam Schnell, Sandra Reeves

March 4
Birthday - Evelyn Dahl, Don Evans, Tanner Sherrill, Tommy Hahn, Jon Garnett, Virgil Jones, Chuck Taylor, Jose Renteria, David Harbour, Ron Fox, Judy Park, Brenda Red, Ronald Kirby, Heather Hamilton, Lucio Vela, Carrie Guthrie, David Rosser, Don Townsen

March 5
Birthday - Ron Dunning, Beth Swink, Barry Beck, Brooks Beck, Mark Garnett, Mary Garza, Mike Cowan, Trixie Pearson, Mike Garrard, Alexis Johnson, Benny Brandvick, Steve TeBeest, Shelby Williams, Ramon Garcia, JJ Anaya, Cleo Hughes, Ashley Vasquez
Anniversary - M/M Ramiro Morales, Mark & Jamie Brown

March 6
Birthday - Brenda Hart, Charlie Slough, Marcie Womble, Bobby Archer, Tommy Barkley, Travis Patterson, Janet Reger, Doran Dulana, Kenneth Slough, Lindsey Clift, Nancy Evans, Mick Sharp
Anniversary - M/M A.R. Cazares

March 7
Birthday - David Imke, Dee Dee Shelton, Mike Garnett, Molly Turner, Bernice McBride, Viola Boyd, Donald Lane, Beulah Harris, Howard Thompson
Anniversary - M/M Danny Bass, M/M Anres Ortiz,

Pete & Juanita Vera
March 8
Birthday - Patty Cator, Drew Grotegut, Mike McLain, Bill Harnish, Melvin Swene, Kirby McAdams, Deana Shields, Dee Allen, Steve Cruise, Candi Delozier, Ben Cook, Colby Red, Eric Olsen, Rae Lynn Cook, Cindee Thomas, Christi Clift, Michelle Schick
Anniversary - M/M Richard Wagner

March 9
Birthday - Roy Byrd, Craig Cooper, Tommy Henson, Elizabeth Holt, John Brown, Mary Lou Vela, Amy Tucker, Jerry Younger, Cole Ivey, Aletha Lesley, Deann Turner, Karla Acton, Brandon Hathaway, Vickie Urban, Nita Byrd, Vernon Pipkin
Anniversary - M/M John Knowles, M/M Shawn Thompson, M/M Kermit Boone, M/M Dwayne Thompson, M/M Dan Wheelock

March 10
Birthday - Shanna Jarvis, Sandy Kirby, Debby Odom, Perry Lamb, Tucker Williams, Roy Uptergrove, Ricky Reger, Reba Ooley, Pam Hart, Shane Pearce, Eugene Barnes, Jr. Barnes, Felipe Lozano, Michael Lozano, Melinda Taylor, Sandy Spivey, Curtis Pearson, Jennifer Keim, Summer Fernandez, Kellyn King
Anniversary - M/M Bobby Mosier

March 11
Birthday - Daniel Rojas, Nina Hendricks, Dorothy Buzzard, Monty Dixon, Bob Breedson, Sandi Holt, David Ortega, Willie Jones, Felipe Dominguez
Anniversary - Buddy & Amber Newman, M/M Orville Brummett

March 12
Birthday - Loree Hart, Jason TeBeest, Lindy Tolleson, Judy Martin, Loraine Davidson, Sherry Bullard, J.L. Griffin, Sammi Johnson, Makenzie Crane, Katie Hintergardt
Anniversary - M/M Andy Hoel, M/M Tommy Henson, Kristal & Ernesto Puentes

March 13
Birthday - Fran Duncan, Bonnie Frick, Gene Leatherman, Brady Tidwell, Vernon Pipkin, Gary Pracher, Roy Flowers, Shannon (Holton) Steinberger, Chuck Fletcher, Lynell Williams, Kevin Bynum, Gretchen Collinsworth, Jerry Garcia, Dolores Moreno, Larry Butts, Hadley Fletcher, LeAnn Sheets, Thomas Cain, Pam Mayfield
Anniversary - M/M Forrest Acker, M/M Jim Dick Goodall

Our Sympathy

JOHN SUTTERFIELD
 SPEARMAN — John Sutterfield, 77, of Spearman died Sunday, February 26, 2012.

Graveside services were at 11 a.m. Wednesday, February 29, 2012 in Hansford Cemetery with Larry McCollum officiating. Arrangements were by Boxwell Brothers Funeral Home of Spearman.

Mr. Sutterfield was born May 31, 1934, in Shamrock. He was a sales manager for Hansford Implement for more than 30 years, retiring in 2002. He was a member of Hansford Masonic Lodge No. 1040 A.F. and A.M.

Survivors include his wife, Pat; two sons, Hank Sutterfield and wife Melissa of Spearman and Byron Sutterfield and wife Beverly of Bushland; his father, Eugene Scott of Fort Collins, Colo.; and four grandchildren, Chelsea, Sawyer, Mabry and Judd Sutterfield.

The family suggests memorials be to Hansford Hospice, 707 S. Roland St., Spearman, TX 79081.

Anita B. Anthony

AMARILLO - Anita B. Anthony, 97, passed away on February 27, 2012 in Amarillo, Texas.

Graveside services were at 2 p.m. Saturday, March 3, 2012 in Edith Ford Memorial Cemetery in Canadian with her nephew Dickie Babitzke officiating. Arrangements were by Boxwell Brothers Funeral Home of Spearman.

Mrs. Anthony was active in church and community activities in Spearman as well as in The Craig in Amarillo.

She was born in Ellis County, Oklahoma, November 12, 1914, to Christian and Christiana Babitzke. She grew up in Lipscomb County, Texas. Of the twelve children born to this union, she is survived by a brother, Chris, of Canadian, Texas and a sister, Erna Gragert of Phoenix, AZ.

Anita married Harry F. Schoenhals on May 12, 1934, in Arnett, Oklahoma. Survivors are a daughter, Roberta Conyers of Amarillo, and two sons, Eugene and wife Christine of Panhandle, and Garner and wife Jean of Canadian. Also six grand children, eight great grandchildren, and two great-great-grandchildren.

She then married L.L. Anthony in 1964 and lived in Spearman until his death and then moved to The Craig in Amarillo in 1998.

Memorials may be given to any charity.

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Sincerely,
Bob Boxwell

Robert A. "Bob" Burke

AMARILLO - Robert A. "Bob" Burke, 91, of Amarillo, formerly of Spearman, died Tuesday, February 21, 2012.

Graveside services were at 2 p.m. Friday, February 24, 2012 in Hansford Cemetery in Spearman with Sherman Eastland, chaplain of Odyssey Hospice of Amarillo, officiating. Burial was in Hansford Cemetery. Arrangements are by Boxwell Brothers Funeral Home of Spearman.

Bob was born June 11, 1920, in Hansford County to Amos and Ruth Burke. He served in the Army Air Corps during World War II in London from 1942 to 1945. He married Wanda Jean Stewart of Borger in 1948. He owned and operated the Corner Service station in Spearman for more than 50 years from 1946 until he retired in 1996. After retirement, he moved to Amarillo where he would be closer to family.

He is preceded in death by his loving wife of 57 years, Wanda Jean Burke, who passed away on Dec. 22, 2005; four brothers; and his parents.

Survivors include two sons, Ronald Burke of Pampa and Terry Burke of Granbury; a daughter, Sandi Clements and husband Charles of Amarillo; a sister, Pearl Dean Skaggs of Amarillo; 10 grandchildren, nine great-grandchildren; and many nieces and nephews.

The family suggests memorials be to a favorite charity.

A Belated Thank You!

We would like to thank you for all your prayers and your acts of kindness. Anna is doing well and still recovering from broken hip surgery. We give God the glory and praise. May He bless each one for the good deeds done.

Your friends in Christ,
 Murl & Anna Pearson

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<p>Waka</p> <p>Church of Christ 300 Rogers Ave. 202-7126 Sunday School - 9:30 a.m. Sunday Worship: 10:30 a.m. & 6 p.m. Wednesday Bible Study: 7 p.m. Preacher - Ed Jenkins</p>		

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Medical Fund for Francis Scroggs Pond
A Medical Fund that has been set up at FNB for Francis (Scroggs) Pond, she has been Diagnosed with cancer and will begin chemotherapy in Amarillo (and possibly surgery in Dallas in the near future).

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

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

Gruver Track Meet - March 8 & 9
Gruver High School will be hosting their track meet on March 8th & 9th, and they will be needing many volunteers to help run the meet. Gruver has done a great job of running off a first class meet in the past, and has received many compliments from coaches at other schools. This would be possible without the help of volunteers from the school and community. The Junior High Track Meet will be on Thursday, March 8th, with field events beginning at 3:30 and the running events beginning at 5:30. The High School Meet will be on Friday, March 9th, with field events beginning at 12:30 and the running events beginning at 4:30. If you can help out in any way, please contact Coach Felderhoff at 806-736-0203 or by email at terry.felderhoff@gruverisd.net.

Caring for Those You Care About
Caring for Those You Care About, "Road Maps for the Journey," a 5 part Lunch & Learn Series, will be held at The O'Loughlin Center, 502 Brandt, Spearman from 12-1 p.m. Sessions will include: Coping with the Stress of Caregiving - March 1st, Talking with Your Doctor & Managing Medications - March 7th, Hard Choices for Loving Caregivers - March 21st, Long Term Care - March 28th, and Protecting Against Scams & Frauds - April 18th. This event is sponsored by Texas AgriLife Extension. Registration Fee for the series is \$10. Participants may attend one or all of the five programs in the series for the one time fee of \$10. Lunch will be provided, followed by speaker and question/answer session. Call Peggy Winegarner, Hansford County Extension Agent, for more information, 806-659-4131.

GHS Mid-Winter Band Concert & Chili Supper
The Spearman 4-H Club will meet on Monday, March 5 from 7-8 p.m. in the Spearman County Barn. The program will be Remote Controlled Airplanes (presented by Alvin Byers).

Gruver Track Meet - March 8 & 9
The Gruver 4-H Club meet on Tuesday, March 6 from 7-8 p.m. in the Gruver County Barn. The program will be Remote Controlled Airplanes (presented by Alvin Byers).

It's Time to Re-Register Your Brand!
In accordance with Article 144.044 of the Agriculture Code, on Wednesday, August 31, 2011, the Hansford County Clerk's Office began the process of re-registering brands. You have until Wednesday, February 29, 2012 to renew your registration. On Thursday, March 1, 2012, all brands that have not been re-registered will become "open brands" for the general public. The fee to register or re-register a brand is \$16 per brand and one location. If you are registering the same brand in multiple locations on the same day it will be an additional \$5 for each location. If you have brands registered in other counties in the State of Texas it will be necessary to contact the County Clerk in those counties to re-register your brand.

Schwan's & Project Graduation 2012 Team Up!
The seniors of Spearman High School will be taking orders for Schwan's foods from 23 Feb. through 2 March. Pick-up and/or delivery of items will be the 7 March. Pick-up of items will be in the Lowe's/Alco Parking Lot. Find someone from the Class of 2012 and order your favorite Schwan's items!! Thank you for your wonderful support!! For questions call: Kellye Buchanan at 330-0364.

Voter Registration Cards
Due to the redistricting issues, every voter in Texas is currently holding an expired voter registration card. Once the maps are drawn and approved and the primary date set, voter registration cards will be mailed out. However you may vote, this year, with the expired card. For further information please call 806 659-4120.

Ready, Set, Sew!
4-H Fashion & Fun begins in March with creative make and take projects. Participants must be 3rd grade and older. Please call County Extension Agent Peggy Winegarner at 659-4131 for more information.

Winter Landfill Hours
Due to a shortage of employees, the City of Spearman has implemented the winter hours at the landfill 2 weeks early. Winter Hours are: Tues-Sat. 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. Closed on Monday and Sunday. They will also begin the one garbage pickup. If you have any questions, please contact Spearman City Hall at 806-659-2524.

Gruver Elementary Register Tapes for Education
Gruver Elementary is participating in the Lowe's Supermarket Register for Tapes for Education. Please help us earn free education material and equipment by collecting register tapes from Lowe's. You can deposit your register tapes in the boxes at the Elementary School Lobby, or the south entrance, Gruver City Library, City Hall, Gruver Library, Night & Day Beauty Salon and Shear Style Salon. Call Jo at 733-2247 for pickup of tapes or for more information.

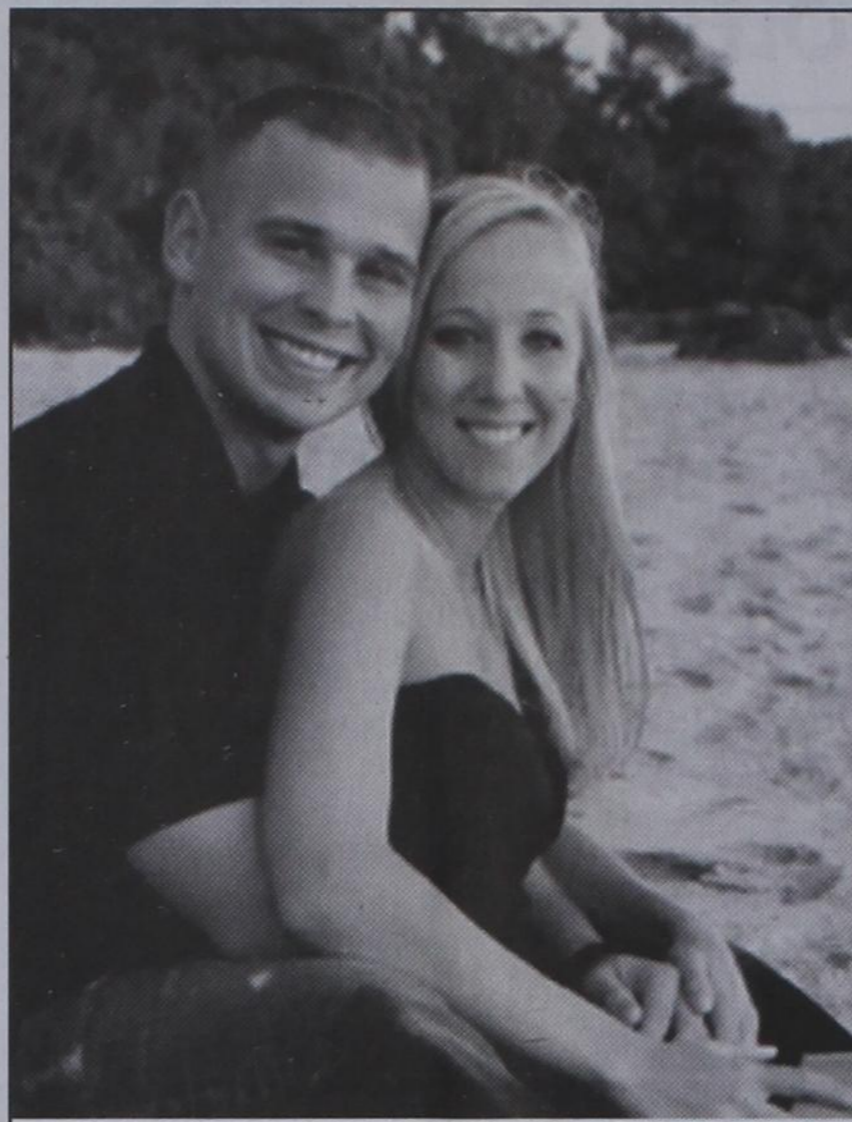
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Cross Country Rings
It is 2012 and time for me to begin asking for donations to the Lynxettes Cross Country ring fund. Already, many of you have given. We would appreciate any donations from members and businesses in our community. The Lynxettes are 4 time state champs and deserve recognition for this. All donations can be made to Stephanie Brock, Special at First National Bank.

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

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

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



Engagement Announcement

Doug and Cathy Brown of Spearman, Texas are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter, Amy Brown to Jon D'Zamko of Jefferson, Georgia. Jon is the son of Erik and Aileen D'Zamko of Jefferson, Georgia.
Jon is the grandson of Mary Elizabeth D'Zamko and the late George D'Zamko of Jacksonville, Florida and Margaret Peacock and the late Earl Peacock of Flowery Branch, Georgia.
Amy is the granddaughter of Carol Short and the late Bertha Brown.
Amy is a 2008 graduate of Spearman High School. She is currently attending WTAMU.
Jon is a 2006 graduate of Jefferson High School. Jon is currently serving as a combat medic in the United States Army. He is stationed at Fort Stewart, Georgia.
A June 1, 2012 wedding is planned in Canyon, Texas at Country Home Weddings. The couple plan to make Spearman their home in late summer.



Hunter Hopkins Wins Pringle-Morse CISD National Geographic Bee

Hunter Hopkins, an 8th grade student at Pringle-Morse CISD won the school-level competition of the National Geographic Bee and a chance at a \$25,000 college scholarship. The School-Level Bee, at which students answered oral questions on geography, was the first round in the 24th annual National Geographic Bee. Other students participating were Trace Patterson (2nd Place), Thomas Speck (3rd Place), Griffin George, Angel Briseno, Masen Sargent, and Mason Earle. This year's Bee is sponsored by Google (visit www.google.com/educators/geo).
The kickoff for this year's bee was the week of November 14, with thousands of schools around the United States and in the five U.S. territories participating. The school winners, including Hunter, took a written test; up to 100 of the top scorers in each state will be eligible to compete in their state Bee March 30, 2012.

The National Geographic Society will provide an all-expenses-paid trip to Washington, D.C., for state champions and teacher-escorts to participate in the bee national championship rounds on May 22-24, 2012. The first-place national winner will receive a \$25,000 college scholarship, a lifetime membership in the Society, and a trip to Galapagos Islands, courtesy of Lindblad Expeditions and National Geographic (visit www.expeditions.com).

"Jeopardy!" host Alex Trebek will moderate the national finals on May 24. The program will air on television. Check local listings for dates and times.

Everyone can test their geography knowledge with the exciting GeoBee Challenge, an online geography quiz at www.nationalgeographic.com/geobee, which poses 10 new questions a day or by downloading the "National Geographic GeoBee Challenge" app, with more than 1,000 questions culled from past Bees, from the App Store on iPhone, iPod touch, and iPad; from the Android Market; or for the Nook Color.

The National Geographic Society is one of the world's largest nonprofit scientific and educational organizations. Founded in 1888 to "increase and diffuse geographic knowledge," the Society's mission is to inspire people to care about the planet. It reaches more than 400 million people worldwide each month through its official journal, National Geographic, and other magazines; National Geographic Channel; television documentaries; music; radio; films; books; DVDs; maps; exhibitions; live events; school publishing programs; interactive media; and merchandise. National Geographic has funded more than 9,600 scientific research, conservation and exploration projects and supports an education program promoting geographic literacy. For more information, visit www.nationalgeographic.com.

Land Bank Announces Record Patronage

Directors for Panhandle-Plains Land Bank announced a record cash patronage for 2012. This year, the association will return \$3.8 million in cash payments to its stockholders. Based on interest paid during 2011; the amount is approved by the board following an end-of-year financial review of the association.

The cash distribution is the largest paid by Panhandle-Plains in its eight year history of the patronage program. Owned by its member-borrowers, Panhandle-Plains Land Bank annually returns a portion of the interest paid by borrowers.

"We are proud the association is in a position to make this level of distribution to our customers," said Chairman Steve Rader. "With this \$3.8 million, Panhandle-Plains Land Bank has put more than \$20.5 million back in our customer's hands since 2005. At a time when our area is struggling with drought and much economic uncertainty, our association is proud to be able to benefit our customers in such a significant way," explained Rader. Annual payments have been made under the patronage program since 2005. Including 2012, the association has returned an average of 18 cents of every 1 dollar paid in interest.

Association CEO Gregg Lloyd described this year's payment another way, "A strong patronage reflects the association's financial strength. We cannot make this level of cash payment without the support of area producers and their excellent repayment history." He further explained the payment's cash aspect, "no reserves are necessary for the association, no retained earnings to be paid later, it's 100% cash in hand."

Payments will be made at the association's annual stockholder's meetings in April. More information will be provided to stockholders in the near future. Panhandle-Plains Land Bank provides long-term credit to farmers, ranchers, and agribusiness in 17 counties of the Panhandle and South Plains. Offices are located in Amarillo, Pampa, Perryton, and Plainview.

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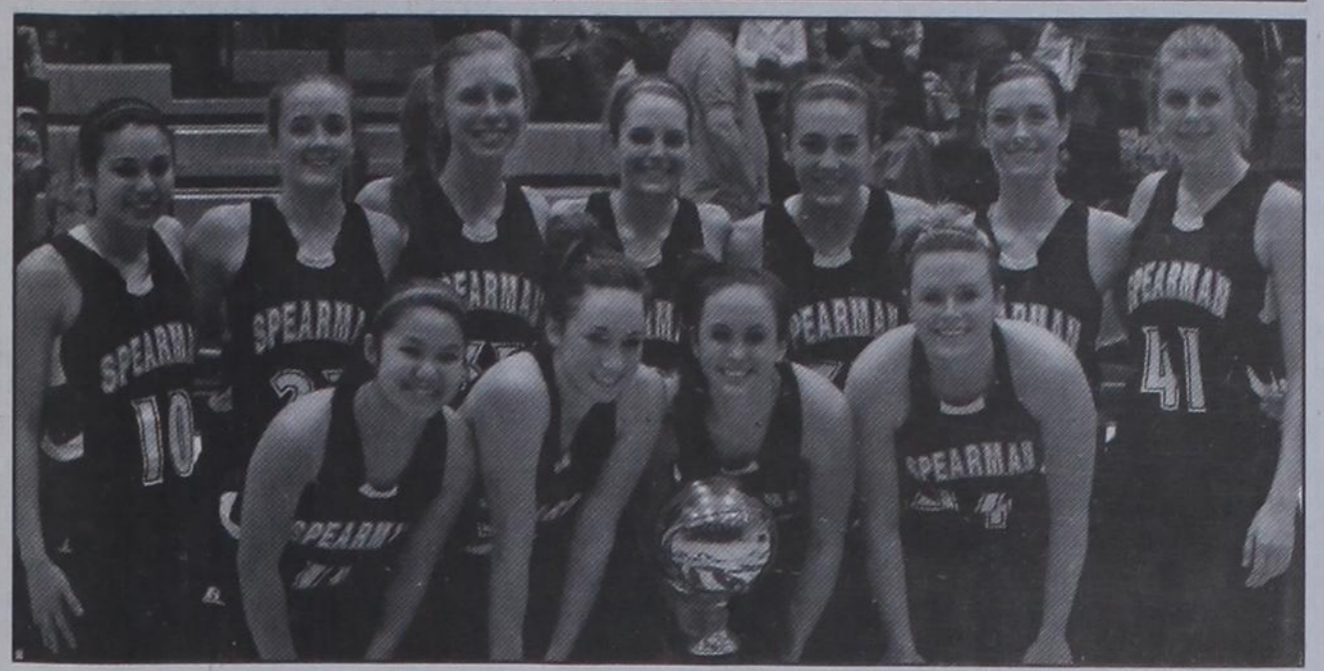
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Spearman Lynxettes
2A Regional Quarterfinal Champions
 (Back Row, L-R) Cynthia Mendoza, Mabry Sutterfield, Shelby Hanna, Malory Martin, Hannah Patterson, Gately Garnett, Sadye Hanna; (Front Row, L-R) Katy Miser, Kyla Walker, Morgan Ashmore and Lexi Batton

Lynxettes Fall in 1-2A Semifinals

The Spearman Lynxettes suffered a heartbreaking end to their season Friday night, February 24, 2012 as they lost to Wall, 57-54, in the Region I-2A semifinals at Midland.

Morgan Ashmore led the Lynxettes (23-7) with 28 points. Wall's Hannah Holik scored the game's final four points from the foul line and had a game-high 21 points. Wall (27-8) is coached by Canyon graduate Tate Lombard, son of Canyon girls coach Joe Lombard.

Wall 12 25 38 57
 Spearman 15 23 42 54
 W—Hannah Holik 21, Shanna Holik 12. S—Morgan Ashmore 28, Gately Garnett 8. Records: Wall 27-8, Spearman 23-7.

Hale Center Eliminates Gruver

By LANCE LAHNERT
 Hale Center's Dearius Poindexter's overall skills — passing, quickness and leaping ability — and unselfish play made life tough for Gruver during Hale Center's 63-31 Region I-1A Division I area playoff win Thursday night, February 23, 2012 before 600 fans at Canyon High School.

Poindexter scored points in every quarter, finishing with a game-high 26 points, and totaled nine rebounds, seven assists and three steals.

Poindexter's eight points in the first quarter helped Hale Center forge a 14-3 lead and left determined Gruver in chase mode all game.

Gruver got a few open looks against Hale Center's 2-3 zone in the first half. However, the Greyhounds opened the game shooting 1-of-23 from the floor, eventually trailing 20-3 with five minutes remaining in the first half.

Gruver cut the Hale Center lead to 11 at 29-18 early in the second half on junior Korbin Irwin's inside basket.

Up-tempo Hale Center refused to let the lead get below double digits and answered Irwin's basket

with a 10-0 scoring run and took a 39-18 lead on a Poindexter putback with 4:26 to play in the third.

Gruver was led in scoring by Irwin and sophomore forward Beau Blankenship with nine points each. Senior guard Kramer King had eight points, including two 3-pointers.

Gruver coach Wade Callaway said he was proud of the way his team didn't quit, but the Greyhounds needed some shots to fall early against talented Hale Center.

"I thought we executed OK and we were able to get the ball to areas that were threatening to their defense," said Callaway, whose team beat Boys Ranch, 46-37, in bidistrict.

"But we weren't able to finish. That had to do with their length. It would have been huge to cut it under 10 right there after half.

"And then (Poindexter) is a good player. We knew we would have to contain him."

Gruver 3 16 26 31
 Hale Center 14 28 46 63
 GRUVER (16-17): Beau Blankenship 3 3-4 9, Diego Ortiz 0 0-0 0, Kramer King 3 0-0 8, Korbin Irwin 3 4-7 9, Carson Williams 0 0-0 0, Jace

Lady Broncos Rally for Victory

By Rick Treon
 Second-year Clarendon girls basketball coach Molly Weathered had a simple message for the Lady Broncos heading into the fourth quarter Tuesday night: Be aggressive.

The players listened, going on a 9-0 run to start the final eight minutes and left Amarillo High Activity Center with a 40-36 win against the Gruver Lady Hounds in a Region I-1A Division I quarterfinal playoff in front of about 1,500 fans.

Clarendon (23-4) advances to the Region I-1A Division tournament.

Gruver (31-4) finished its season in the quarterfinals for the fifth consecutive year. No. 6 Gruver led at halftime, 24-19.

"We just can't finish the second half," Gruver coach Rod Been said.

Clarendon closed the gap to 29-28 by the start of the fourth quarter by outscoring Gruver 9-5 in the third period.

Lady Broncos sophomore Deborah Howard made a pair of free throws and sophomore Ryann Starnes added two more field goals — including a 3-pointer — to give Clarendon a 37-29 lead with 3:17 remaining.

"They were playing just free-and-easy, and we tightened up," Been said of the fourth quarter.

Been said Clarendon's defense made it difficult for the Lady Hounds.

"I just give credit to them and their defensive package," Been said.

Gruver made it interesting in the final minutes, pulling to within three points with a 3-pointer and jumper by senior Kaysha Bass with 35.8 seconds left.

Clarendon got a stop on Gruver's next possession and the Lady Hounds fouled with 4.8 seconds left.

Howard made a free throw to make it a four-point game.

Clarendon 5 19 28 40
 Gruver 10 24 29 36
 3-point goals: Clarendon 6 (Shadle 2, Howard 2, Dronzek 1, Starnes 1), Gruver 3 (Gibson 1, bass 1, McLain 1). Total fouls: Clarendon 8, Gruver 13. Fouled out: none. Technical fouls: none. Attendance: 1,500.

Records: Clarendon improves to 23-4. Gruver finishes 31-4.

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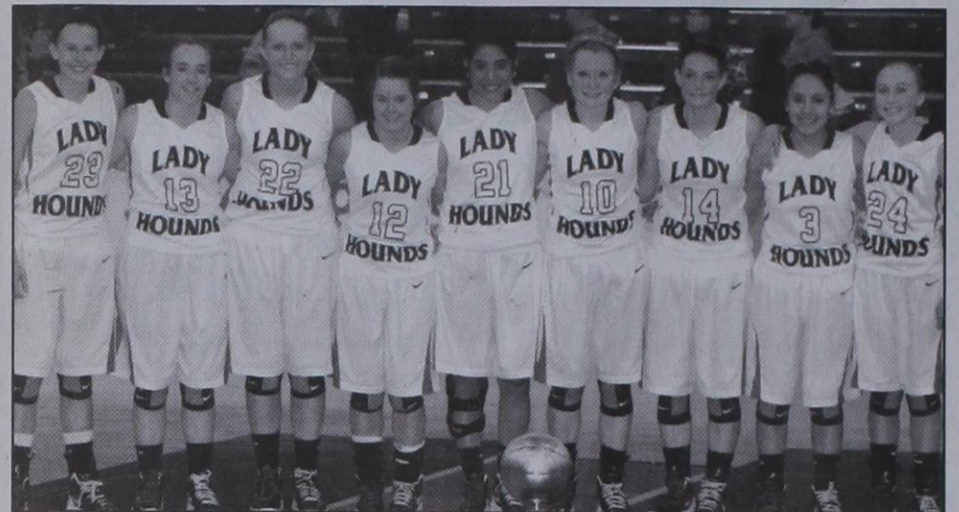


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(From left) Katy Miser, Mabry Sutterfield, Lexi Batton, Kyla Walker, Shelby Hanna, Sadye Hanna, Gately Garnett, Malory Martin, Morgan Ashmore, Cynthia Mendoza. (Not pictured: Hannah Patterson)

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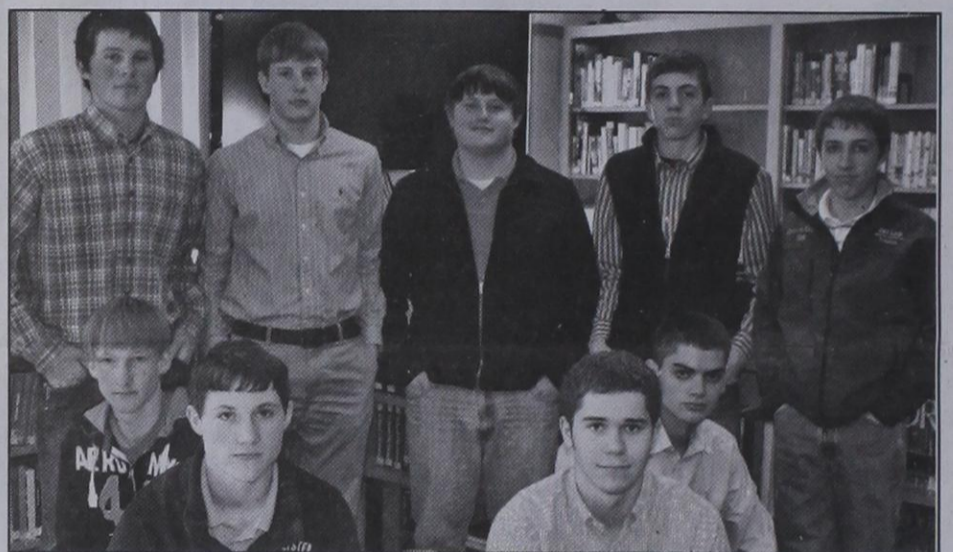
Left to Right: Madison McLain, Nikki Beasley, Kaysha Bass, Ashlynn Miner, Daniela Luciano, Taylor Felderhoff, Shelley Gibson, Mari Serrano, Reagan Haynes

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Spearman Lynx

(From left) Jeffrey Thomas, Junior Garcia, Jorge Caro, Blaine Pack, Jace Lang-Swan, Brody Hargrove, Stefan Cook, Kagen Breeden, Alex Mendoza, Brent Hansen.



Gruver Greyhounds 1A Area Champions

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PUBLIC NOTICE

LEGAL NOTICE ISABEL RIOS HAS

MADE APPLICATION WITH THE TEXAS ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE COMMISSION FOR A PACKAGE STORE PERMIT TO BE LOCATED AT 309 MAIN STREET, CITY OF SPEARMAN, COUNTY OF HANSFORD, D/B/A AMIGOS. 2(2/23/12)B

PUBLIC NOTICE The Palo Duro River Authority is accepting bids on a shower addition to existing restrooms. Sealed bids will be received until 2:00 PM, March 13, 2012. Bids will be opened and read at that time. The Board of Directors may accept or reject any or all bids. Plans are available at the PDRA office at Spearman, TX. For more information call 806-882-4401. 2(2/23/12)B

INVITATION FOR BIDS Sealed proposals addressed to the Honorable Mayor and City Commission of the City of Spearman, Texas, for the rehabilitation of a 500,000 gallon ground storage tank and associated appurtenances entitled: WATER STORAGE TANK REHABILITATION AVENUE D GROUND STORAGE TANK will be received at the office of the City Manager of the City of Spearman at City Hall, 30 Southwest Court, Spearman, Texas, 79081 until: 2:00 P.M. March 14, 2012

A cashier's check, certified check or acceptable bidder's bond, payable to the City of Spearman in an amount equal to not less than five percent of the bid submitted, must accompany each bid as guarantee that, if awarded the contract, the Bidder will, within fifteen days after receipt of Contract Documents, enter into a contract with the City of Spearman and will execute bonds on the forms provided in the Contract Documents. Any bid received after the time and date listed above will not be considered.

Bidders are expected to inspect the site of the work and inform themselves regarding all local conditions. Contract Documents are on file and may be examined in the office of the City Manager, City of Spearman, 30 Southwest Court, P.O. Box 37, Spearman, Texas 79081, phone (806) 659-2524, and the office of Brandt Engineers, Consulting Engineers, 4537 Canyon Drive, Amarillo, Texas 79110, telephone (806) 353-7233.

Plans and Specifications may be obtained from the Engineers, Brandt Engineers, 4537 Canyon Drive, Amarillo, Texas 79110, phone (806) 353-7233 in the following manner: Cost: One hundred dollars (\$100.00), non-refundable, for each set of plans and specifications. Performance and Payment bonds shall be set forth in the Contract Documents. The Owner reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to waive any informalities in the bidding. In case of ambiguity or lack of clearness, the Owner reserves the right to adopt such interpretations as may be most advantageous or to reject the bid as informal. No bid may be withdrawn until the expiration of 30 days from the bid opening date.

CITY OF SPEARMAN, TEXAS BRIAN GILLESPIE, MAYOR 2(2/23/12)B

LEGAL NOTICE NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING SPEARMAN PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION

Date: March 13, 2012 Time: 6:00 p.m. Place: City Council Chambers, 30 SW Court, Spearman, Texas Purpose: To consider in public hearing a zoning variance on the property listed below: Request a variance to waive the south side yard setback in order to make an addition to the following properties: a) Lots 10, 11 & 12, Block 13, Reeves Addition, addressed as 822 Barkley. Any interested party may attend the open meeting to speak for or against the proposed variances. For additional information call 659-2524. /s/ Cheryl Gibson-Salgado Asst City Manager/City Secretary 2(2/23/12)B

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TRANSPORTATION The Texas Department of Transportation in conjunction with the Panhandle Rural Planning Organization will host an Informational Meeting on March 13, 2012 concerning the planning of future projects.

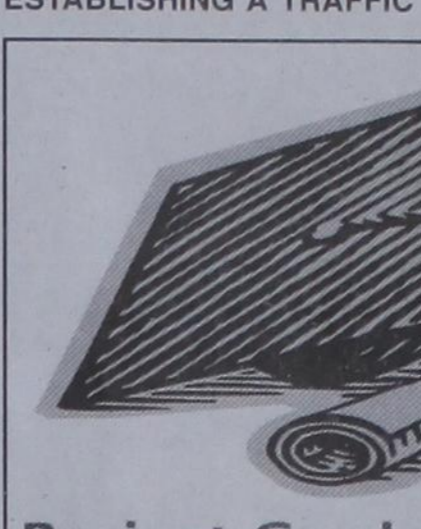
This informational meeting is held to explain how the department plans transportation projects. We would like to receive the public's input regarding the current Transportation Improvement Plan for the Amarillo District. The meeting will be Tuesday, March 13, 2012 at 1:30 p.m. It will be located at the Panhandle Regional Planning Commission, located at 415 SW Eighth Ave in Amarillo.

The meeting will cover transportation plans for all areas of the Panhandle and the city of Amarillo. An overall view of the planning process will be presented, as well as the criteria used for selecting individual projects. Draft versions of current transportation plans will be presented at the meeting for public comment. The public is invited to speak regarding projects currently planned or any additional projects that might be proposed. Speakers will be limited to five minutes. Verbal and written comments from the public regarding any project may be submitted at the meeting. Written statements and other exhibits may be submitted to the TxDOT District Office at 5715 Canyon Drive (P.O. Box 7368) Amarillo, Texas 79114-7368. Comments must be received no later than March 26, 2012. All interested citizens are invited to attend this public meeting. Persons interested in attending the meeting whom have special communication

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or accommodation needs are encouraged to contact David Miller at 806.356.3246. Requests should be made no later than two days prior to the public meeting. TxDOT will make every reasonable effort to accommodate these needs. 2(2/9/12 & 3/1/12)B

PUBLIC NOTICE ORDINANCE #841 AMENDING CHAPTER 12, TRAFFIC, DIVISION 4.092, SPECIFIC SPEED LIMITS, OF THE SPEARMAN CITY CODE; ESTABLISHING A TRAFFIC



Project Graduation 2012

The parents of the Spearman High School Senior Class of 2012 will sponsor and host a "Project Graduation Party" following commencement exercises Friday May 25th. 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, the community, who supported and encouraged these seniors these past 13 years of school, would be willing to share in this final "class of 2012" memory, making this project "special," please call: Tiki Farrar at (806) 270-0313, Jean Snider at 659-3009, or Gwenda Hanna at 659-9949. Contributions can be mailed to: Project graduation Gwenda Hanna, 403 S. Endicott St., Spearman, Tx 79081

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Attention All Producers of Groundwater in the North Plains Groundwater Conservation District Your 2011 production reports are due in the Dumas office by 5 pm on March 1st.

Only producers who submit their completed reports by the March 1st deadline will qualify for the District's Groundwater Conservation Reserve for 2011. The District's Groundwater Conservation Reserve will allow you to reserve unused allocation from 2011 and apply it to future production years. Remember, annual allowable production will decrease in 2012 from 21 inches-per-acre to 18 inches-per-acre. If you want to have the option of applying unused allocation from 2011 to future production years, your 2011 production reports must be in the Dumas office of the:

North Plains Groundwater Conservation District PO Box 795, 603 E 1st Street Dumas, TX 79029 by 5 pm on March 1st

For more information about 2011 production reporting, call the office at 806-935-6401 or log on to www.northplainsgcd.org

TexSCAN Week of February 26, 2012. Includes categories: AUTOS, CASH FOR CARS, BUSINESS OPPORTUNITY, CABLE/SATELLITE, DRIVERS, FRESH POPCORN & DRINKS!, PARTY ROOM & ARCADE, MOVIE RENTALS, REAL ESTATE, STEEL BUILDINGS, VACATION PROPERTY, and Run Your Ad In TexSCAN!

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Check our websites for other properties. DUMAS FARMS II - 1280 acres deeded, 320 ac. for lease with purchase of property, nice 2 bdrm. mobile home w/concrete foundation, mud room and patio, 2 all-steel barns w/concrete floors, 7 irrigation wells, UG pipe, on pvmt. and all weather road. VALLEY VIEW RANCH - Lipscomb Co., TX - 177 ac. w/extraordinary 5404 sq. ft. +/- home overlooking the property w/ beautiful views of live creek, trees, wildlife (deer, quail, & turkey), covered horse training facilities, stables, excellent cattle working facilities & pens, commercial dog kennels, employee housing. We can divide (10 ac. w/main residence or 167 ac. +/- w/other improvements)! SHERMAN CO., TX - 627 acres, choice land, four 1/4 mile sprinklers, fully developed, one 1/4 mile off Hwy 287 on paved CR - CC, 3 phase electricity, new irrigation well drilled in 2010. WEST OF DUMAS on pvmt. 606 ac. +/-, 17 tower sprinkler, four irr. wells, excellent location for residential or commercial development. BUDDY CLINE ROAD - Moore Co., TX - 1/2 section choice land, two wells (one new) and sprinklers. 1200 SOW FALLOW TO FINNISH OPERATION - Moore Co., TX - New 5 yr. lease with major hog company. Two separate units, can be divided - Please contact broker for info package and price. www.scottlandcompany.com www.texascrp.com Shawn Gillispie 806/922-5532 Ben G. Scott, Broker 1-800-933-9698 day/eve TFN(2-2-12)

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by Dorothy Hudson

Out at the Lake

Jim Derington
Palo Duro River Authority
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ABOVE: The first picture was a group of white-tail deer.

RIGHT: This is a group of mule deer. These pictures were taken in the same area, about two hundred yards apart, in about thirty seconds of driving time at Lake Palo Duro.



Lake Level--February 27, 2012--30.08 (-0.21)

Jim didn't have much news this morning as it was a quiet week (if you don't count high winds) at the Lake. He had one camper, and the few people fishing didn't catch anything to report about.

The beautiful snow geese have gone, but there are still several kinds of ducks. He saw 3 eagles twice last week and noticed 2 or 3 of the double-crested cormorants back.

Four skunks and many deer were the animals seen.

Bobcats

An article in the Amarillo Globe-News on bobcats in Oklahoma caught my eye. They are one of my favorite local mammals, but I rarely see

one. They seem very common in Oklahoma, but they are seldom seen. They are extremely hard to hunt and trap. However, about 6,000 of these cats are harvested in the season that runs through December to the end of February. A good pelt was thought to bring around \$200. Hunters often use a bird or rabbit in distress call to make the bobcats think there is an easy meal ahead. Oklahoma often has predator hunting tournaments around the state which will pay thousands of dollars to the winners.

Has our local bobcat population dropped? Just that I am not hearing of any bobcat stories or sightings isn't proof. Their numbers seem to follow the rabbit population somewhat. Cougars are known to kill bobcats, and bobcats kill foxes. One source said coyotes were shown to kill bobcats in a study in California, but another source said there was no evidence that coyotes excluded bobcats from hunting in certain areas. They seem to pick different times to hunt. As far as I know, we have always had both in Hansford County.

Campus Corner

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Allen Campus News and Information

Start Here...
...Go Anywhere!

Greetings from the Northernmost Facility of Higher Education in the Great State of Texas! I hope you have made a special trip by the campus just to drive on the new parking lot. All repairs to the building and parking lot have been completed. The technology laboratory to classrooms renovation funded by the Perryton CDC is also complete. We are putting finishing touches on the rooms then will have an open house to show off the latest edition to the Allen Campus.

So far this academic year (2011-2012), the Allen Campus has served 2,317 students and others from Perryton and the surrounding area. Academic classes account for 170 of these students, while Continuing

Education classes have served 1079 and Community Service classes and events have served an additional 1068 people.

The Frank Phillips College Allen Campus continues to offer a wide variety of continuing education and community service classes.

We have a new class for kids starting in February. The Conservatory of the Plains is holding a Perryton Children's Choir class at the Allen Campus. The class will be held on Monday nights from February 27th through April 9th from 6:00-8:00 PM. The cost is \$65.00 and new classes will begin every 6 weeks with students participating and performing in concerts and other community events.

Starting March 22nd and continuing through April

26th will be a Microsoft Excel course. This class will meet on Thursday nights from 6:00-8:00 PM and the cost, including book, is \$130.00.

A Basic Auto Mechanics class will begin once at least six students have registered. The class will meet on Monday and Thursday nights from 6:00-8:00 PM and the cost is \$80.00, including the textbook. Learn how to change your oil, tires, transmission fluid and more!

If anyone would be interested in taking or teaching a continuing education or community service class please contact Jaci Geheb at the Allen Campus (2314 S. Jefferson in Perryton; 806.648.1450).

Hansford County Library 2nd Annual Art Exhibit Featuring Area Artists

Hansford County Library proudly presents its second annual art exhibit featuring area artists. On tap for February is the photography work of Sherry Beagle. Beagle is a native of Roy, New Mexico who now lives in Perryton and works for Green Country in Spearman. On exhibit are scenes from her European visits as well as many from the Hansford and Ochiltree areas. Of special interest to some will be her windmill and ranching photos.

In March, the library will host the work of

Spearman High School art students under the direction of Elizabeth White. Monica Schmidt's Pringle-Morse students will show in April. The art exhibit will conclude in May with the showing of work from Donna Wright's art students of Gruver High School.

"I would like to invite everyone to view the talents of these county residents," stated Margaret Ruttman, library director. "The art show of 2011 was very successful and very well received, and we expect this one to do as

well—we look forward to having you visit the library," added Ruttman.

The library is open 9 to 5, Monday through Friday.

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