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Hansford Happenings

Project Graduation

Parents of the Senior Class of 1997 will sponsor and host a "Project Graduation Party" following commencement services on Friday, May 23rd. To encourage the seniors to stay the entire night, the last activity is an auction. Prizes, gift certificates, and cash are needed for the auction. If you would like to support this graduation celebration and make it a night to remember, donations of money, gift certificates, and merchandise are now being accepted. Please contact one of the following people for assistance: Jan Williamson at 659-3743 or 659-5108; Carolyn Cummings at 659-2529 or 659-2106; or Mike Cudd at 659-2568 or 659-5030.

Scouting for Food

On April 26th, beginning at 10 a.m., Spearman Boy Scouts, Cub Scouts, and Girl Scouts will be collecting canned food, which will be used to restock the food supply kept at the Hansford County Courthouse. If you wish to donate, but will not be home on the 26th, please leave your donation on your front porch, and it will be picked up.

Hospice Garage Sale

The Hospice Garage Sale will be held on Saturday, April 26th from 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. in Kay's Cafe building on Main Street.

Women's Catholic Guild To Hold Spaghetti Lunch

Women's Catholic Guild will hold a Spaghetti Lunch at the Sacred Heart Parish Hall on April 30th from 11:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m. Tickets available from any member or call the parish office at 659-2166.

Activity Gym Open

The activity gym on the elementary campus is now open Friday and Saturday nights, from 7:00-10:00 p.m. Charlie McIver is the coordinator of events during these hours. Persons who would like to walk, play basketball or other activities, can use the gym at this time at no charge. Summer hours will be announced at a later date.

Applications Accepted For Marjorie Urban Memorial Scholarship

Applications are now being accepted for the Marjorie Urban Memorial Scholarship. This is a \$1,000 scholarship awarded to a student from Hansford, Ochiltree or Lipscomb County, majoring in music or religion. The scholarship is renewable. Application deadline is May 1, 1997. Applications are available at the Perryton National Bank, 435-9641.

First Assembly of God Church To Present Dramatization

The First Assembly of God Church will present a dramatized real life presentation entitled "Heaven's Gates & Hell's Flames" on Sunday, April 27, 1997 at 7:00 p.m., and on Monday and Tuesday, April 28th and 29th at 7:30 p.m. Admission is free, and a nursery and children's ministry will be provided. The First Assembly of God Church is located at 401 North Bernice, Spearman, Texas. For more information, call 659-2295.

National Day of Prayer

National Day of Prayer will be Thursday, May 1st at the First United Methodist Church from 12:30 - 1:00 p.m. Everyone is invited.

Lunch & Learn

There will be a Lunch and Learn Tuesday, April 29 -- 12 noon to 1:00 p.m. at the Spearman Church of Christ Fellowship Hall. Topic will be "Quick Meals for Families" presented by Claudine Clark. A light lunch will be served. Sponsored by Texas Agricultural Extension Service and Extension's Family & Community Education Clubs. For more information contact Peggy Winegarner at 659-4130.

Free Skin Cancer Screening

If you are going to have fun in the sun, play it safe!! Come to the FREE skin cancer screening clinic Saturday, May 3, 1997 from 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. at the Don and Sybil Herrington Cancer Center -- 1500 Wallace Blvd., Amarillo, Tx. Sponsored by The American Academy of Dermatology, Amarillo Area Dermatologists, The American Cancer Society and The Don and Sybil Herrington Cancer Center. The screening will be conducted by these physicians: Dr. Jack Waller, Dr. R.E. Posey, Dr. T.M. Caldwell, III, Dr. Larry Roberts, and Dr. William East.

TAAS Test Schedule

The TAAS Test will be given next week. Math TAAS will be administered April 29 to 3rd - 8th graders. Reading TAAS will be administered April 30 to 3rd - 8th graders. Social Studies TAAS will be administered May 1 to 8th graders only. Science TAAS will be administered May 2 to 8th graders only.

Interested in Day Care?

Members of the community are concerned about quality day care in the county and are conducting a survey to assess the feasibility of a non-profit day care center. Surveys can be picked up at the Hansford County Library or for more information call Cindy Blackman, 659-3233 or Anne Snow, 659-5535 at Hansford Hospital. If the survey shows the need for a center to exist, the plans are to continue with the effort of establishing a center in Spearman. Surveys are also being sent home with all elementary students.

Pre-Kindergarten Program

If you have or know of a child who will be 4 years of age on or before September 1st, he or she may be eligible for our Pre-Kindergarten program for the 1997-98 school year. Applications may be picked up at the elementary office at 511 S. Townsend. If you have any questions, please contact the office at 659-2565.

Pre-Kindergarten Programa

Si usted tiene un niño/nina o si sabe de un niño/nina que va cumplir 4 años antes del primero de Septiembre, el o ella puede calificar para nuestro programa de pre-kindergarten. Por favor venga a la oficina de la escuela elemental a la direccion es 511 S. Townsend y llene una forma. Gracias.

American Red Cross

The American Red Cross will hold a Records and Reports course on May 1, 6:30 to 10:00 p.m. and also May 15, 6:30 to 10:00 p.m. in the Ochiltree Courthouse First Floor Break room. The purpose of this class is to train personnel to process disaster forms. Participants may include Red Cross Volunteer Staff. Required courses are emergency assistance to families and introduction to disaster service. To sign up for the class please call the Red Cross office weekday mornings at 435-8175 one week prior to the class.

Spearman Swim Team

Spearman Swim team will begin soon. For more information and/or to register please call Jan Howard at 659-2875 after 5:00 p.m.

SPS Responds To City Council Order

submitted by Craig Vinson

Responding to an order by the Spearman City Council, Southwestern Public Service Company on Wednesday filed Spearman-specific electric rate studies, which indicate an overall 13.4 percent rate increase is appropriate in Spearman -- but the utility will not pursue the increase unless the city insists on continuing a "Spearman rate case."

The higher rates would be appropriate if the Spearman City Council exercises its authority to split the northern Texas Panhandle town off, for rate-making purposes, from the other 80 cities in SPS's Texas service area, an SPS spokesman said.

"Customers in Spearman would lose the benefits of economies of scale available to all of our other customers," said Lester Baldock, SPS manager of revenue requirements. "Also, today, many customer classes in Spearman are being subsidized by other customer classes, both inside and outside Spearman. But on a go-it-alone basis, Spearman consumers would have to pay all of the actual costs of providing service to them."

"Instead, we are again urging the Spearman City Council to allow SPS to keep its base rates in Spearman the same as our current base rates in the other Texas communities we serve, which are among the lowest in the state," Baldock said. "We are declining to seek the higher rates -- unless the city council decides to move forward with its rate case."

Under electric utility law in Texas, each community has original jurisdiction over rates charged for service within the community. Acting on the authority in December 1996, the Spearman City Council required SPS to file rate case materials with the city by April 16, 1997. On March 6, the council set SPS's current rates as "interim rates." Any future change in rates, up or down, would be retroactive to March 6.

Baldock said Spearman appears to be using the "Spearman rate case" as leverage to try to get SPS to remove a surcharge there on base rates. The surcharge resulted when SPS acquired electric utility property in Spearman,

Perryton, Follett, Booker, Darrouzett and Higgins from Texas-New Mexico Power Co. in 1995 -- at a market price above book value. All six communities supported the purchase and contractually agreed to the surcharge.

In return, customers in the communities immediately received a 10 percent reduction in overall rates, compared to rates they had been paying. The surcharge diminishes each year through 2005, when it disappears. By then, rates in the six communities will have declined 36 percent as a result of the SPS acquisition of the TNP facilities. Only Spearman appears to be trying to alter the agreement, Baldock said.

Baldock said the "costs-of-service" studies SPS filed with Spearman Wednesday strongly indicate Spearman should not proceed with its rate case. Generally, he explained, a utility system's industrial and commercial customers pay rates "slightly higher than their own true costs of service. Such customers effectively subsidize lower rates for other customer classes."

However, he said, such subsidies of smaller customers, "simply are not available within the City of Spearman's jurisdiction; thus, the large increases. We strongly urge the city council to forego this rate case."

Baldock said Spearman also has joined in a "rates complaint" against SPS filed with the Public Utility Commission of Texas by the office of Public Utility Council. "One thing we are doing to rebut that filing," he said, "is showing that the Public Utility Commission's own staff recently reported their studies of SPS indicate our rates in Texas are just and reasonable, and among the lowest in the state."

Southwestern Public Service Company is a regional electric utility providing service to a population of about one million in eastern and southeastern New Mexico, the High Plains and panhandle of Texas, the Oklahoma Panhandle and southwestern Kansas.



Lester Baldock, (right) SPS manager of revenue requirements, presents Kelvin Knauff, Spearman City Manager, with 16 copies of the SPS rate breakdown for the City of Spearman.

Babitzke Places 1st In VICA Auto Collision Repair Skills Contest



Jason Babitzke

On April 4 and 5, 1997, four students from Amarillo Technical College and one student from Amarillo College, all members of the Automotive Collision Technology's Auto Body Club, attended the 1997 Vocation Industrial Clubs of America (VICA) Skills USA Championships held at St. Phillips College in San Antonio, Texas. The team collectively returned with 4 Gold medals and 2 Silver medals.

Jason Babitzke, who attends Amarillo Technical College, entered the Auto Collision Repair Skills Contest, and placed First (Gold).

Jason is now eligible attend the National Contest to be held June 23-28, 1997, in Kansas City, Missouri.

Jason is the son of Buford and Karen Babitzke of Spearman, Texas and Caroline McDaniel of Idabel, Oklahoma.

HANSFORD HOSPICE
GARAGE SALE

Saturday, April 26, 1997
9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

Kay's Cafe Building on Main Street
Spearman, Texas



The Varsity Lynx Track Team celebrated after winning the District 1-AA Team Championship on Monday, April 14th. The Lynx have won the last six track meets they have been entered in. Their only team loss came at their first meet in Wheeler, where they came in second behind Childress. Coach Bass, head track coach, is happy for the victory, but a little nervous about the way the guys chose to celebrate. The guys finally brought Coach Bass down out of the clouds after several anxious minutes. (Front, L-R) Carlos Hernandez and Phillip Creel; (Back, L-R) Eric Varnon, Jamie Townsen, Clint Goodman, Coach Bass, Jason Banks, Clancy Vanderburg, Britt Savage, Dillon Miller, Casey Villines, Aaron Witten, Landon Miller, Michael Lusby.

Laugh and Live

by Gary C. Smith

gcs@earn.net



Reporter-Statesman reader, Gary Doty sent me the following, disgusting, sexist jokes. I am not responsible for this attempt at humor. Gary Doty is the responsible party. Please direct all hate mail, nasty phone calls, etc. to GARY DOTY.

1. I married Miss Right. I just didn't know her first name was Always.
2. It's not true that married men live longer than single men. It only seems longer.
3. Losing a wife can be hard. In my case, it was almost impossible.
4. A man was complaining to a friend: "I had it all - money, a beautiful house, a big car, the love of a beautiful woman; Then, Pow! it was all gone!"
"What happened?" asked the friend.
"My wife found out..."
5. Wife: Let's go out and have some fun tonight.
Husband: Okay, but if you get home before I do, leave the hallway light on.
6. How many men does it take to open a beer? None. It should be opened by the time she brings it to the couch.
7. A man rushes into his house and yells to his wife, "Martha, pack up your things! I just won the California lottery!" Martha replies, "Shall I pack for warm weather or cold?" The man responds, "I don't care. Just so long as you're out of the house by noon!"
8. Women will never be equal to men until they can walk down the street bald and still think they are beautiful!
9. I haven't spoken to my wife for 18 months--I don't like to interrupt her.
10. A man without a woman is like a fish without a bicycle.
11. If your wife and a lawyer were drowning and you had to choose which to save, would you go to lunch or to a movie?
12. A man is incomplete until he is married. After that, he is finished.

Until Next Time,
May God Bless!
GCS

You are cordially invited to attend a retirement reception in honor of
Mr. Burgoon and Mr. Looper
for their many years of dedicated service in the
Gruver Public School System.

Sunday, May 4, 1997
2:00-4:00 p.m.
Gruver United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall

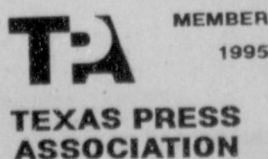
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Morse Morsels

by Mildred Lewis

For Ladies' Night Out last Thursday, Denise Apadoco held an Avon Bingo Party at the Morse Cafe. We had a lot of fun winning Avon prizes, and throwing a few beans!

Congratulations to Dustin Parks of West Texas High for winning Extemporaneous Informative Speaking. Markus Schick won 2nd in Individual Science. He was on the science team which will compete in Austin at the University of Texas, in May. Both boys are former Pringle-Morse students. Another former student from West Texas High is Shelby Reiswig. He placed 3rd in the 400 m run (48.44), 5th in the 400 m dash (58.5), 2nd in the long jump (17'2"), and 2nd in the triple jump (36'1"). Hang in there Shelby!

Congratulations to our students who made the last six weeks honor roll for Pringle-Morse.

Commendations to all who entered and congratulations to the winners of the Pringle-Morse UIL that took place at Follet last week. The elementary grades placed 2nd overall with 419 points. Middle school placed 2nd with 419 points, also.

Our Morse 4-H boys and girls won some medals recently. The Junior Team (Kyna Shields, Kali Shields, and Chase Phillips) placed 4th. Kyna Shields was the 4th high individual. Kyna and Kali Shields (Hutchinson County 4-H) also competed at the Clarendon Jr. Livestock Judging

Contest. They placed 2nd high out of 100 teams. Kyna Shields placed 2nd high individual. She got a cap and plaque. Kyna Shields also judged Lamb, and placed 5th. So, our 4-H is doing real well!

Our Community Building is coming along nicely. All the sides are nearly up.

The Pringle-Morse School Board election will be May 3rd. Candidates include: Ronnie Womble, Jerry Hart, Clay Reid, Lonnie Clemmons, Rusty Shoulders, and Mike Schick.

Becky and Barbra Leach went to visit Wes Leach, down at San Angelo, who attends Angelo State.

Tom and Beth Dortch went last weekend to run in the car races at Dallas.

Thane and Sue McCloy went this last week to visit their son, Steve, and family at San Angelo, Texas.

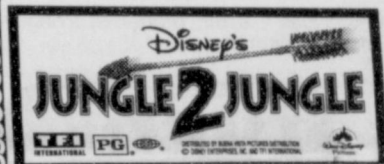
We had good services at our church last week. James and Sharon Leih sang a beautiful song. We are getting ready for our Vacation Bible School as soon as school is out this summer. Sunday morning, April 27th, will have James Beard and Susan Hall as guests at the Morse Baptist Church. We will also have a Pot Luck lunch.

Don't forget the Morse Community Barbecue on Monday, May 19th. Invite your friends and neighbors.

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Happy 85th Birthday

Elvin, E.E., Dad, Obe, Grandad & Gramps!



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For The Bride & Groom

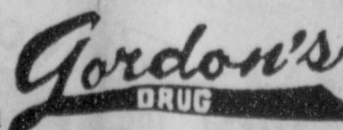
Come by and let us help you set up your special gift table

Couples Currently Registered

Van Baumgardner & Julie Payne - May 3rd
Lyndee Cook & Tek Ferguson - May 17th
Randi Burch & Brad Delozier
Melissa (Baker) & James Jansky

*Date of Shower

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Dear Editor,

Dear Editor,
I would like to personally commend the Spearman School Board for representing my children and our school. I believe they have acted in a very professional manner and have a great deal of integrity. I hope not only do they respect and treat each teacher as a professional, but also respect and stand strong for the rights of teachers as well as students.

I take my right to vote for representation on the school board very seriously! I want people on the board who are willing to listen and be able to make decisions that will benefit all students.

I feel there is a lot of misinformation floating around about members of the school board and the upcoming election. I wish we could all know the truth and each side could come together for the good of our school as well as our community.

Spearman is made up of all kinds of people and I believe the board should be, too.

Reading a financial statement has been an issue--the school system hires an accountant to explain financial benefits.

Some members have been said to just be the "working man" and have very little to offer. The majority of our students belong to the working class. Should we not be represented?

This election and dissension among the community does not stem from the education our children receive. I feel athletics and/or any extracurricular activities are important to a well rounded child but, the responsibility of our teachers and coaches first and foremost is to educate while building self-esteem in order to make each student who passes through their hands successful in all areas of life!

Thank You,
Kitty Edwards

Hansford County Community Calendar

April 24-May 4

Thursday, April 24 - Take Our Daughters To Work Day
Spearman High School Band Trip to San Antonio
Spearman at Regional Tennis Tournament in Abilene
Gruver at Regional Tennis Tournament in Levelland
Gruver ISD Screening & Prekindergarten Registration
5:30-6:30 p.m. - Aerobics Class at The O'Loughlin Center

Friday, April 25 - National Arbor Day
Spearman ISD School Holiday
Pringle-Morse CISD School Holiday
2:30 p.m. - April Birthday Party at Hansford Manor

Friday, April 25-Saturday, April 26
Spearman High School Band Trip to San Antonio
Spearman at Regional Track Meet in Abilene
Gruver at Regional Track Meet in Levelland
7:00-10:00 p.m. - Activity Gym opened at Spearman Elementary

Saturday, April 26
9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. - Hansford Hospice Garage Sale
Spearman Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts & Cub Scouts Scouting For Food

Sunday, April 27 - Ulysses S. Grant's Birthday
Spearman High School Band Trip to San Antonio
3:00 p.m. - Hansford Manor Church Service - Christian Church of Gruver
7:00 p.m. - First Assembly of God Church to present Dramatization "Heaven's Gates & Hell's Flames"

Monday, April 28
10:00 a.m. - County Commissioners Meet
1:00 p.m. - Spearman Elementary Dismissed
2:00 p.m. - Games and Crafts at Hansford Manor
5:30-6:30 p.m. - Aerobics Class at The O'Loughlin Center
6:30-9:30 p.m. - English as a Second Language Classes at Spearman H.S.
6:30-9:30 p.m. - GED Classes at Spearman H.S.
7:00 p.m. - Hansford Golf Club Membership Meeting - Hansford County Library (upstairs meeting room) - Election of Officers
7:30 p.m. - First Assembly of God Church to present Dramatization "Heaven's Gates & Hell's Flames"

Tuesday, April 29
Math TAAS will be administered to 3rd - 8th graders.
1:00 p.m. - Lunch & Learn at Spearman Church of Christ
3:30-4:30 p.m. - "Funtorials" at Spearman JH, Mrs. Turner's Room
4:30 a.m. - Coy Bennett's Music at Hansford Manor
6:30 p.m. - Bingo at Hansford Manor
7:30 p.m. - First Assembly of God Church to present Dramatization "Heaven's Gates & Hell's Flames"

Wednesday, April 30
Reading TAAS will be administered to 3rd - 8th graders.
10:00 a.m. - Bible Study at Hansford Manor
11:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m. - Women's Catholic Guild Spaghetti Lunch, Sacred Heart Parish Hall
2:00 p.m. - Games and Crafts at Hansford Manor
5:30-6:30 p.m. - Aerobics Class at The O'Loughlin Center

Thursday, May 1 - National Day of Prayer/May Day/Law Day/Loyalty Day/Save the Rhino Day
Social Studies TAAS will be administered to 8th graders only.
Deadline for applications for Marjorie Urban Memorial Scholarship
12:30-1:00 p.m. - National Day of Prayer - First United Methodist Church
5:30-6:30 p.m. - Aerobics Class at The O'Loughlin Center
6:30-10:00 p.m. - Red Cross Records & Reports Course - Perryton

Friday, May 2
State Qualifier Meet for Track
Science TAAS will be administered to 8th graders only.

Friday, May 2-Saturday, May 3
Spearman Alliance of Christian Youth present Crosswalk '97
7:00-10:00 p.m. - Activity Gym opened at Spearman Elementary

Saturday, May 3 - World Press Freedom Day
Spearman, Gruver, & Pringle-Morse School Board Elections
Spearman City Council Election
4:30 p.m. - Cub Scout Blue & Gold Banquet - Swimming Pool Park

Sunday, May 4
3:00 p.m. - Hansford Manor Church Service
May Monthly Outlook
Better Sleep Month • Mental Health Month • National Bike Month
National Allergy/Asthma Awareness Month • National Arthritis Month
National Barbecue Month • National Correct Posture Month
National Egg Month • National High Blood Pressure Education Month
National Photo Month • National Physical Fitness and Sports Month
National Salad Month • Stroke Awareness Month
National Older Americans Month

Happy Birthday!

April 24 Birthdays - Kerri Barkley, Jenna Beth Kiser, Bar' Shapley, Greg Slough, Mike Scroggs, Murl Pearson, Josephine Salgado, Wendy Wooley, Odell Fanning
Anniversaries - Mr. & Mrs. Wayne Bayless

April 25 Birthdays - Jerry Orr, Bob Potts, Robert Hagerman, Keith Lewis, Pat Underwood, Donna Hill, Meagan Burrell, Mia Burrell, Greg Breland, Mary Bayless, Jodi Martin, Joshua Nash, Roy Garcia
Anniversaries - Mr. & Mrs. Lewis Hill Jr.

April 26 Birthdays - DeeDee Johnson, Juanita Logsdon, Benny McClenagan, Angie Remmel, Kenny Slough, Susie Hand, Lyndee Cook, Linda Garcia, Ricky Ellsworth, Bob Marsh, Mike Burnam Jr., Juan Rojas, Summer Riggins, Donna Duggan, Larry Ross
Anniversaries - Mr. & Mrs. Keith Lamb, Mr. & Mrs. Ray Robertson, Mr. & Mrs. Pete Vera

April 27 Birthdays - Hart Derrington, Tek Ferguson, Archie Nelson, Sis Stanton, Mitzi Mires, Jerry Ross Jr., Marie Snider, Simona Rayes, April Tenneson, Elva Sullivan, Jean Burgess, Veronica Favela, Wilma Reese, Alan Hutchinson, John Michael Duncan, Kathy Floyd, Christy Harris
Anniversaries - Mr. & Mrs. Victor White

April 28 Birthdays - Kade Carthel, Wade Dahl, Jerry Duncan, Pat Harris, Jody Irwin, Krysanne Johnson, Shirley Lowe, Elvin Martin, Scott Swan, Kerry McMullan, Tammy Savage, Vernon Tindell, John Henry Hughes, Sambo Connelly, Clark Bridges, Vitoria Vela, Jessica Mayo, Janet Morales, Brad Rennick
Anniversaries - Mr. & Mrs. Roy Riley, James & Linda Owens, Mr. & Mrs. Bill Gaither, Robbie & Valerie Shield.

April 29 Birthdays - Jill Garrett, Clay Hobbs, Betty Roberts, Estelle Jackson, Britton Benge, Burton Williams, Robbie Shields, Christine Harnish, Greg Odgaard, Ila Willis, Randi Atwood, John Haynes

April 30 Birthdays - Golda Mae Dunihoo, Debra Cook, Shawn Martin, M.A. Brand, Robert Cantu, Cora Lee Jarvis, Hector Hermosillo

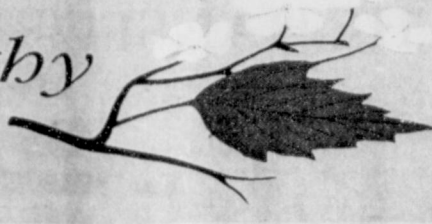
May 1 Birthdays - Eva Dozier, Josie Kiser, Cori Lowe, Marti Garnett, Jarett Swan, April Jarvis, Gina Hamilton, Earl Spencer, James Sterling, Hayden Shook, Ryan Attwood, Christine States, Angela Coombs, Devin Delozier, Victoria Renteria, Allan Thompson
Anniversaries - Mr. & Mrs. Bobby Smith, Ronnie & Coleen Schaefer

May 2 Birthdays - Michael Booth, Hack Johnson, Roy Kauffman, Whitney Lillie, Chad Logsdon, Roscoe Nelson, Marsha Shaver, Carolyn Gressett, Melodie Kelp, Bryan Jenkins, Dalene Baker, Nick Renteria, Rex Shook, Lynn Davis, Keith Gibson, Connie Pape, Annie Torres
Anniversaries - Mr. & Mrs. Jose Vaquera

May 3 Birthdays - Gilbert Perez, Jon Tolleson, Roy Wells, Patty Sheppard, Cruz Garcia, Rita Reed, Kendra Ivy, Linda Deluna, Derek George, Jason Harnish, April LaFarr, Michael Sparkman, Anna Marie Stedje, Jewel Thomas

May 4 Birthdays - C.H. Clawson, David Slater, Dwayne Mitchell, Pat Sutterfield, Buford Babitzke, Tina Rex, Victor Rios Sr., Terri Dewberry, Patrick Sparkman, Stan Fletcher, Pat Bratton
Anniversaries - Angie & Willie Salgado

With Deepest Sympathy



Pete Cator

Pete Cator, 93, of Amarillo, died Sunday, April 13, 1997. Services were at 10:30 a.m. Thursday, April 17, 1997, in Blackburn-Shaw Funeral Directors, Memorial Chapel, Fifth Avenue and Pierce Street, with Billy Thompson and Bill Gallagher officiating. Graveside services were at 3:30 p.m. in the Old Hansford Cemetery in Hansford County.

Mr. Cator was born in a sod house on Palo Duro Creek near Morse. He lived in the Holt community in his youth and worked on the Coble, Sneed and Bivins-Thompson ranches. He also owned the L.N. Ranch and the Atarque Ranch in western New Mexico in addition to his home place at Morse.

He married Leone Yell in 1930. He also was involved in the oil and gas business in the Panhandle. For the past 15 years he had lived in Amarillo.

Survivors include three daughters, Vian Gallagher of Denver, and Patricia Patterson and Donna Underwood, both of Amarillo; two sons, Pete Cator Jr. and Don Cator, both of Sunray; three brothers, Bert Cator of Glenwood Springs, Colo., Marshall Cator of Sunray and George Cator of Amarillo; 14 grandchildren; and 14 great-grandchildren.

Joy Rae Taylor

Joy Rae Taylor, 40, of Spearman, and a former resident of Amarillo, died Sunday, April 20, 1997.

Services were at 2 p.m. Tuesday, April 22, 1997, in the Rector Funeral Home Chapel, 2800 S. Osage St., with the Reverend Sherman Eastland, chaplain of Northwest Texas Health Care Systems, officiating. Cremation followed the services.

Ms. Taylor was born in Albany, Georgia. She moved to Amarillo in 1988 from Biloxi, Mississippi. She then moved to Spearman in 1993. She was a homemaker.

Survivors include a daughter, Keisha Moore of Spearman; a son, Cody Blue of Dumas; her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Freddie R. Taylor of Amarillo; four sisters, Vickie Rich and Rhonda Renne Taylor, both of Amarillo, Patsy Beyerl and Charmon Lamar Harris, both of Grove, Oklahoma.

Thank You

Words can never express the sincere appreciation to our friends and families of the Morse and Spearman communities for the food, flowers, prayers and support during the loss of our wife and mother. Your kindness will always be remembered.

The family of Lucille Cook

Friendler M. Monk

Friendler M. Monk, 88, of Spearman, died Saturday, April 19, 1997. Graveside services were at 2 p.m. Wednesday, April 21, 1997, in Hart Cemetery at Hart with the Reverend Scott Curry, pastor of First Baptist Church of Gruver, officiating. Arrangements were by Wood-Dunning Funeral Home of Plainview.

Mrs. Monk was born in McCurtain County, Oklahoma. She moved to Hart in 1931, from Oklahoma. She moved to Oklahoma City in 1970, and to Spearman in 1995.

She married Ollie Monk in 1924, at Lawton, Oklahoma. He died in 1969.

She was a homemaker and member and Sunday school teacher at Olivet Baptist Church in Oklahoma City.

Survivors include a daughter, Patsy Gean Bevil of Gruver; a son, Leon Monk of Fort Worth; five grandchildren; nine great-grandchildren; and two great-great grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to Hansford Hospice or Cal Farley's Boys Ranch.

Thank You

The family of Shelby Jack Karlin would like to thank the paramedics, hospital staff, doctors, and all those who had a part in caring for him during his time of need.

We extend our thanks to those who visited, called, brought food, sent cards, and did all the little jobs around our home, and most important the enormous amount of prayers and support that was spread around us during his stay in the hospital.

A special thanks to family and friends who helped care for our other two children. You are very special people.

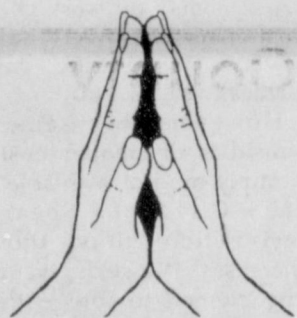
Faith in God and love has brought us through this and you were all an important part in his recovery. Your kindness means more than you'll ever know.

Rod & Denise Karlin & family

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DR. DOBSON: You are describing a situation that I call the "straight life," referring to the never-ending responsibilities of adult living that become oppressive and deadening to a marriage. To let it continue unchanged is to sacrifice something precious in your relationship.

I suggest you make a conscious effort to put the following ingredients back into your lives--beginning with pleasure. You and your wife should go on a date at least once a week, leaving the children at home. Likewise, some form of sports or recreational activity should be enjoyed as a family, whether it be tennis, golf, swimming, skiing, hiking or biking.

Second, you should seek to keep the romantic fires aglow in your relationship. This can be accomplished by writing love notes and giving surprise gifts and having candlelight dinners and taking off on unexpected weekend trips, among other things. Third, you must reserve some of your time and energy for meaningful sexual activity. Tired bodies make for tired sex. The physical aspect of the relationship can be approached creatively, and indeed, must be.

Fourth, the most successful marriages are those where both husband and wife seek to build the self-esteem of the other. Ego needs can be met within the bonds of marriage, and nothing contributes more to closeness and stability than to respect for the personhood of the spouse.

Every responsible adult must cope with the concerns of the straight life, but those obligations need not assault mental and physical health and harmony.

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Worship: 10:50 a.m.
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Youth: 7:30 Wednesday
Pastor - Beverly Greaser, Jr.

First Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)
29 S. Bernice • 659-2036
Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.
Worship: 10:50 a.m.
Evening Bible Study
Worship: 6:30 p.m. Sun.
Interim Pastor - Ernie Williams

First Baptist Church
123 N. Bernice • 659-5557
Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.
Worship: 11 a.m.
Evening Worship: 7 p.m.
Jr. High Youth: 6 p.m. Wed.
High School Youth: 7 p.m. Wed.
Youth Choir: 6 p.m. Sun.
Pastor - Kyle Henderson

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121 S. Haney • 659-3244
Sunday Bible Class: 9:45 a.m.
Worship: 10:30 a.m.
Evening Worship: 7 p.m.
Bible Study Wed.: 7:30 p.m.
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Sunday Mass: 8:45 a.m. - English (8:45 a.m. Service on KRDF 98.3 FM)
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717 W. 7th Ave. • 659-2671
Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.
Worship Service & Children's Church: 10:30 a.m.
Pastor - Johnny Taylor

First Presbyterian Church (Worships with Faith Lutheran Church)
1021 Cotter • 659-2033
Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. at Lutheran Church
Worship: 11 a.m. (alternates monthly between Lutheran and Presbyterian Church Buildings)
Pastor - Walter Greaser, Cook

Faith Lutheran Church (ELCA)
1101 Bernice • 659-2252 (Worships with First Presbyterian Church)

First United Methodist
407 S. Haney • 659-5503
Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.
Worship: 11 a.m.
Jr. High Youth: 5 p.m. Sunday
High School: 6 p.m. Sunday
Rainbow Kids Club: 3:00 Wednesday
Pastor - Jeff Lust

Union Church
31 S. Endicott • 659-2644
Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.
Worship: 10:45 a.m.
Evening Worship: 6 p.m.
Bible Study & Prayer Mtg.: 7 p.m. Wed.
Pastor - Jerry Pollard

Fellowship Baptist
1102 S. Archer • 659-2783
Sunday School: 10 a.m.
Worship: 11 a.m.
Evening Worship: 6 p.m. Sunday
Youth & Adult Serv.: 7:30 Wed.
Pastor - Gene Foster

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Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.
Worship: 11 a.m.; Evening: 6 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meeting: 7 p.m.
Thurs. Visitation: 7 p.m.
Pastor - Isaias Martinez

First Baptist Church
402 E. Broadway • 733-2411
Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.
Worship: 10:50 a.m.
Disciple Training: 6 p.m. Sunday
Prayer Meeting: 7:30 p.m. Wednesday
Pastor - Scott Curry

Church of Christ
209 King • 733-2760
Sunday School: 9:30 a.m.
Worship: 10:20 a.m.
Evening Worship: 6 p.m.
Wed. Evening Worship: 7:30 p.m.
Minister - Bob Setiff

First Christian Church
510 King • 733-2960
Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.
Worship: 11 a.m.
Wed. Bible Study: 7:30 p.m.
Youth: 6:30, Wednesday
Pastor - Gary Gurnfory

Oslo Lutheran Church (ECLA)
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339-7709
Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.
Worship: 11 a.m.
Pastor - John R. Chandler

Gruver United Methodist
Broadway & Garrett • 733-2651
Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.
Worship: 8:30 a.m. & 10:50 a.m.
Evening Worship & UMY: 6 p.m.
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Among The Neighbors

by Helen Fisher

Gene Foster had planned to move his family to Spearman on April 26, when he assumed his new duties as pastor at the Fellowship Baptist Church. This past Saturday, when a metal roof was being installed on the church, he assisted, although he was recovering from back surgery. He was on a ladder which fell and injured him. Because of the possibility of damage to his back, an ambulance took him to Hansford Hospital, then to Amarillo.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Bowen followed the ambulance with his 14 year old son, Steven. Fortunately his most serious injury was to his shoulder and a broken arm. The time of his arrival as new pastor is indefinite, but the members are looking forward to his coming.

Congratulations are due to Jason Babitzke for his being awarded a Gold Medal as state champion in Texas in a contest for vocational college students. His expertise is in Auto Body Repair Technology. He will be the Texas contestant at the national meet to be held in Kansas City.

Jason is a student of Amarillo Technical College and is the son of Buford and Karen Babitzke.

The Generation Y issue of the Amarillo News this past Friday included a picture of Rob Murrell, Gruver Junior. He answered the question of the week. Rob is the son of the Walter Murrell's of Gruver.

Linda and Britt Jarvis are back from an interesting trip to Lamore, California. They drove through and were delayed at Flagstaff, Arizona, when they arrived along with a 36 inch snowfall.

They assisted their daughter, Bonnie and Kyle Woolam, in their move to a new place of residence at O'Donnell, Texas. He will manage a cotton gin there.

When Spearman schools dismiss for the summer, it will be a milestone for Mrs. Veleta Bowen. She will be retiring from Child Care Occupation after 25 years-

five days every week. She has no specific goals in mind - will just catch up on activities she has postponed.

She has enjoyed the little children and has fond memories, but she feels it is time to retire. For five days a week-25 years-how many little fingers have been kissed to make it well, how many tears dried???

Lynanne and Don Maize spent several days last week in south Texas enjoying the colorful bluebonnets and family members. They drove to Buchanan Dam for a visit with Charley and Mary Cox. Charley is a former resident of Hansford County.

Next they went to Dallas for quality time in the home of their daughter, Gerri and Jeff Colvin. They attended the Nascar races, but the prime entertainment was little grandson, Carson.

Sympathy is extended to Patsy and Mack Bevil and family on the death of her mother, Mrs. Friendler Monk, 88. She passed away on Saturday at Hansford Manor where she had lived. Her services were held in Hart.

The Moore County News-Press of April 17, 1997, carries a picture of Marshall Cator of Sunray and J.W. (Wilson) Buchanan of Dumas and the announcement that at the Chamber of Commerce banquet they had received top honors. The banquet was held on Tuesday and the theme was industry-agriculture. Wilson received a lifetime membership award and Marshall was honored with a lifetime achievement award.

Not one mention was made of the important and essential fact that both these gentlemen are products of Hansford County. The fine qualities for which they were praised were instilled in them as very young boys in Hansford and Spearman. Moore County didn't get them until they had matured.

Oh, well, regardless of which county claims the credit for their accomplishments, Hansford County extends congratulations.

Ora Lee Blackburn is lavish in her praise of the beauty of the spring flowers that she enjoyed on

her recent trip to south Texas.

Bodil Bradley of Hereford took her to Llano where her son Bill and family lives. Later in Austin she visited with son Eddie. Next was several days in Houston with Chunky and Nancy Blackburn. She was gone about two weeks.

Ruth Hill is getting caught up on her rest after a most enjoyable visit with her daughter, Jean Gwin, four days last week. The weather was just what Ruth ordered and Gwin assisted her with many tasks. She returned to her home at Angel Fire on Friday.

Local winners at the Tri-State High School Rodeo held in Canyon the past week-end were:

Quentin Harper, Gruver, calf roping - 2nd; Monty Eakin, Amarillo, calf roping - 6th; Travis Holland, Gruver, Ribbon Roping - 9th; Monty Eakin, Amarillo, steer wrestling - 1st; Quentin Harper, Gruver, steer wrestling - 3rd; Justin Koch, Canadian - Randy Maness, Gruver, team roping - 6th; Sheree Lucero, Gruver, pole bending - 1st; Jennifer Reimer, Gruver, break-away roping - 2nd.

Guests of Mrs. Caia Hester last week-end were her son David and wife Le of Ruidosa.

Mrs. Hester has been practically home-bound as a result of several falls and broken

bones for a couple of years, so welcomed the opportunity for a trip. Her daughter, Pauledde Plank, came from Stillwater and took her to visit her nephew, Ben Baze, at Tucson.

They flew to Phoenix where he met them. During their stay he took them to the Santa Cataline mountains to the national park of the cactus. She was amazed at the unbelievable colors and the variety of sizes and shapes of the cacti.

They also went to the biosphere-that place deep underground where several people lived for two years doing tests. It is now open to the public and is the largest laboratory in the world for the study of global ecology.

Mrs. Hester also enjoyed, from a high hill top, a view of the Hale-Bopp comet - very vivid. Another sight was the many hot air balloons. They returned on Sunday.

Joan and Wilson McClellan are remaining in Ft. Worth in the home of their son Chris following the funeral of her mother.

Mrs. Maggie DeWiese passed away on Friday in a Dallas hospital. She had been in a Greenville nursing home for a few years.

Other details are lacking at this time. The McClellans have the sympathy of Spearman.

The Gruver Grapevine

by Harletta Carthel

Glenda Renner was honored for her years of dedication and service to the youth of the Gruver community with a PTA Life Membership and gold pin presented by Jody Irwin, Gruver PTA President. The Life Member Award is the highest award given by a local PTA to recognize a person who has had a profound positive influence on the lives of youth. The award seeks to honor those who go beyond what is expected to benefit and aid young people. Renner has taught in the Gruver Schools for 22 1/2 years as a social studies and language arts teacher, junior high librarian and reference skills teacher, and a UIL academic coach in impromptu speaking, oral reading, expository writing, and dictionary skills. Renner was cited for her "beyond the call of duty" work and her commitment to the young people of the community.

Retiring Gruver Elementary Principal, Bob Burgoon, was also recognized at the PTA meeting for his service to Gruver Schools. He will be honored with a tree to be planted for him in front of the elementary building.

Two GHS students placed in the UIL regional academic competition this weekend. Steffany Simons took fourth in editorial writing and was named

first alternate to the state meet. Cody Cazares was awarded sixth place in the informative speaking competition.

The boys doubles team of Josh Mayhew and Matt Watlington were in the final day of competition in the regional tennis competition in Levelland at press time. A complete write-up of their matches as well as the regional match of the girls doubles team of Lexy Spivey and Jill Odum will be in next week's news.

Two Gruver Junior High students are vying for the top accelerated reader championship. Steven Salazar with 536 points and Lance Lippencott with 482 points are competing for a \$50 Walmart gift certificate. Kaylee Holt was the winner of a electronic spell checker in a random drawing of the accelerated readers.

The home of Diane and Mike McLain was the scene of a wedding shower honoring Crissy Thomason and Max Davis on Saturday. Present for the shower were Max's mother, Mendi; and his grandmother, Maude Alexander; Crissy's mother, Kim Chapman of Texhoma; and her grandmother, Norma Alexander.

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Hansford Hospice Recognizes Volunteers

In celebrating National Volunteer Week, April 13th-19th, Hansford Hospice would like to say "Thank-You" to all hospice volunteers who generously donate their time to help provide a special type of care for our patients and families: Mary Allen, L.W. & Maylynn Ayres, Doris Bateman, LoRee Booth, Muriel Boyd, Ruth Bryan, Kathy Bryant, Rosa Lee Butt, Lelia Bynunn, Tanya Close, Beverly Cook, Carolyn Cummings, Betty Jean Davis, Connie Gammill, Mary K. Harbour, J.C. Harris, Lila Hergert, Carolyn Hicks, Garland Hopper, Reba Hunter, Jo Linda Hutchison, Pat Irwin, Charlotte Jackson, Doyle & June Jackson, Beth Phelps, Pearl Pierce, Betty Pugh, Wanda Reed, Eloise Renner, Sandy Russell, Debra Sanford, Carol Sell, Verna Lee Shirley, Anne Snow, Karen Thompson, Kay Vernon, Opal Wallin, Edith Womble, Anna Beth Wood.

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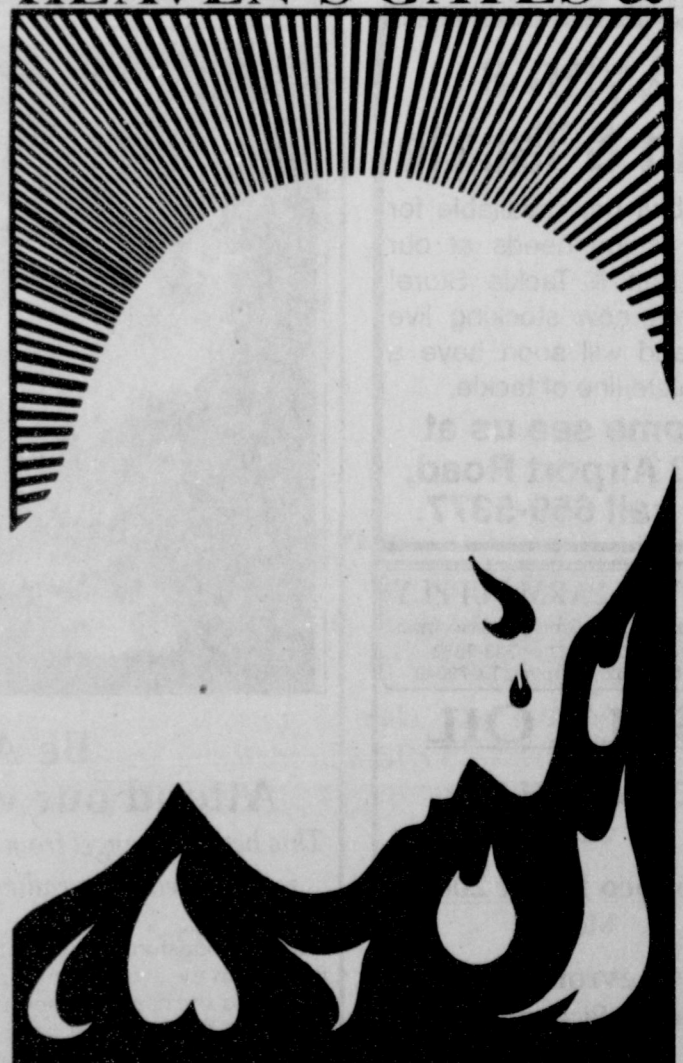
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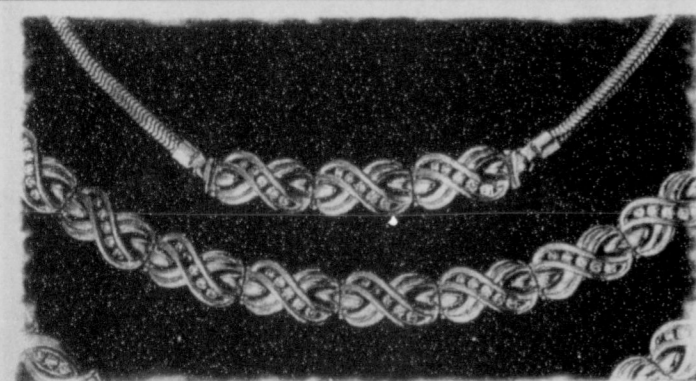
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Hansford County Candidate Profiles

Spearman City Council Candidates

Name: Steve Benton - Incumbent
Family Members: Wife - Sheri; Children - Kellie Francis, Salina, Meredith, and Nicholas Benton
Occupation: Parts Manager - Five Star Equipment
What organizations/clubs are you a member of? Spearman Rotary Club, Spearman Chamber of Commerce, Spearman Economic Development Corp.
Church affiliation: First Baptist Church of Spearman
Background/Education: Grew up in Spearman; graduated from Spearman High School in 1971
Hobbies/interests: Reading (financial publications), fishing, spending time with family
What do you think the biggest problems are facing the City of Spearman? High priced electricity (choking off economic development and hard on fixed income families); High natural gas prices (also hard on fixed income families)
What changes or improvements would you seek as a city council member? Try to negotiate better electric rates and gas prices. Also seek to hold down other expenses where possible.
What do you view as the role of a city council member? Listen to the will of the people and actively seek to implement it.
What special qualities or qualifications do you possess which would make you an efficient city council member? Local business owner with experience in financial management. Member of the Spearman City Council for 6 years and Spearman Economic Development Corp. since its inception.
Comments: If reelected, I will seek to serve the citizens of Spearman to the best of my abilities.

Name: Brian Gillispie - Incumbent
Family Members: Single - Parents live in Gruver; Grandparents all live in Hansford County
Occupation: Banker for First National Bank of Spearman
What organizations/clubs are you a member of? Spearman City Council, Lions Club, Past Director for the Spearman Chamber of Commerce, Boy Scouts Finance Chairman (Golden Spread Council), Young Bankers of Texas, Spearman Heritage Days Parade Chairman - 3rd year
Church affiliation: First United Methodist Church
Background/Education: Graduate of Gruver High School; Graduate of Texas Tech University with a BBA in Finance
Hobbies/interests: Golf, Volleyball, Outdoor Activities, Coin Collecting
What do you think the biggest problems are facing the City of Spearman? 1. A Declining tax base causing a larger tax burden on fewer people. 2. An indifferent or unconcerned attitude concerning the future of Spearman among some of our townspeople.
What changes or improvements would you seek as a city council member? 1. Continue to work to make the City of Spearman an entity which gives its customers the highest level of quality service for their dollar. 2. Continue to work to make the city more knowledgeable and responsive to its customers.
What do you view as the role of a city council member? To serve to the best of my ability as a representative of the constituents of the City of Spearman. To further their goals and intentions (not my own).
What special qualities or qualifications do you possess which would make you an efficient city council member? Having previously served on the City Council has given me an opportunity to learn and grow as a council member. During my next term, I could take the knowledge I have gained to become an even more effective council member. Being involved with the bank gives me a daily opportunity to visit and talk with the business owners and members of this town. I am always available to discuss issues and problems and then do my utmost best to respond to those needs of our townspeople.
Comments: Spearman is a great place to live! We need to let more people know it. We also need to continue to work to make it an even better place and be open to doing whatever it may take. My job is reliant on the businesses and citizens of Spearman. I am going to give my best to making sure they are here and happy. I would appreciate your vote for a second term!

Name: Ron Antalek
Family Members: Wife - Beverly; Sons - John & Mical
Occupation: Service Technician (Southern Office Products)
What organizations/clubs are you a member of? Spearman Fire Department (23 years), The Compassionate Friends, Internet Chess Club, State Fireman's Association, Panhandle Fireman's Association
Church affiliation: First Christian Church
Background/Education: 1972 Graduate of Gruver High School, 1982 Graduate of Amarillo College Law Enforcement Academy, Certified Fire/Arson Investigator, 24 years Fire Training (local, state, and other educational facilities), Level II Fire Instructor (State of Texas), Intermediate Law Enforcement Certificate
Hobbies/interests: Chess, Computers, Electronics, Firefighting Technology, Emergency Management Services

What do you think the biggest problems are facing the City of Spearman? I believe that the economy and growth need foremost attention. I am a conservative and believe that less government is better government. I feel that the local community needs to set an example of this principle and send the message to state and federal levels; that the local community can better solve problems, without their mandates or solutions.

What changes or improvements would you seek as a city council member? I believe that people are the greatest asset of a community. I feel that we should emphasize how great the people of Spearman are. Programs for development should center on the great people, not our resources of location, water, etc. Every community has the basic needs fulfilled for survival, but few towns really promote the people. If we promote how good the citizens and employees of the community are and how they rally together when faced with disaster or difficult times, I believe we would draw fine people to the community. The services provided by good people are always going to be superior to those services provided by those who only do it because they must. That is what makes Spearman the best community to live in.

What do you view as the role of a city council member? I feel a member of the council is a representative and ambassador of the citizens of the community. Each council member should be listening to the citizens and trying to lead the community to the goals the citizens wish.

What special qualities or qualifications do you possess which would make you an efficient city council member? My association in the fire service has presented me with many challenges in leadership. I have been faced with tough decisions at times and have learned from them all. Sometimes those decisions worked for the best and sometimes the decisions were far from being right. I worked for the best and the knowledge attained by either type of decision will help me when faced with tough votes or decisions at the council level. I do not expect that I have any of the right decisions, before entering the council, but expect that my experience from fire service and community involvement, will greatly assist me in city matters.
Comments: Regardless of what the future may hold, Spearman will always be my home.

Name: Gilbert Salgado
Family Members: Wife - Ernestina; Daughters - Olivia De Santiago, Sonya, and Christina Salgado
Occupation: Hansford County Hospital - Maintenance
What organizations/clubs are you a member of? Knights of Columbus
Church affiliation: Catholic
Background/Education: 12 years
Hobbies/interests: Gardening, Rodeo, Boxing
What do you think the biggest problems are facing the City of Spearman? Drugs, lack of a good youth program, utilities
What changes or improvements would you seek as a city council member? The above
What do you view as the role of a city council member? Fair and equitable with everybody.
What special qualities or qualifications do you possess which would make you an efficient city council member? To improve the standard of the city. To communicate with the towns people.
Comments: Having lived in 2 Texas cities in my time, I can certainly relate to what town people think of city government.

What organizations/clubs are you a member of? Pringle-Morse School Board, Morse Lions Club, Pringle-Morse Site-Base Committee

Church affiliation: Baptist
Background/Education: Attended grades 1-8 in Morse; attended grades 9-12 at Spearman High School; took diesel mechanic course at Liberal Area Votech following high school.

Hobbies/interests: Woodworking, fishing, spending time with family
What do you think the biggest problems are facing the school district? The biggest problem currently faced by all schools in the state is state funding and how the new tax relief plan will effect them.

What changes or improvements would you seek as a school board member? As a member I will continue to help improve and provide a positive learning environment for the children of Pringle-Morse C.I.S.D.

What do you view as the role of a school board member? The role of a board member has many shapes. The most important is to remember that you need to do what is best for all children of the district.

What special qualities or qualifications do you possess which would make you an efficient school board member? I have a concern for education as well as a dedication to the people and children of the Pringle-Morse C.I.S.D.

Comments: If people think enough of you to vote you on to the school board, you should listen to them and take their concerns to the rest of the board. You should also be able to agree or disagree with other board members while continuing to work together and in the same direction.

Name: Lonnie Clemmons - Incumbent
Family Members: Wife - Paula, a dance instructor in Morse; Son - Seth, 10 year old 4th grader at Pringle-Morse C.I.S.D.
What organizations/clubs are you a member of? Pringle-Morse School Board
Church affiliation: First Baptist Church of Morse
Background/Education: Graduate of Spearman High School and Panhandle State University
Hobbies/interests: Ranching, roping, working with horses

What do you think the biggest problems are facing the school district? Keeping ahead or even with the technology required to educate our students to prepare them for our ever changing world.

What changes or improvements would you seek as a school board member? To better inform the people of our district about the role of board members, and how the state laws apply to our district.

What do you view as the role of a school board member? Every decision should be made with the best interest of the children in mind.

What special qualities or qualifications do you possess which would make you an efficient school board member? Having served one term on the school board, I feel I have a working knowledge of the goals of the district.

Name: Jerry Hart
Family Members: Wife - Christy Hart, Children: Jennifer Tidwell, Janyth Hart, Tonya Hart, Trudy Hart, and Daden Hart
Occupation: Farmer - Rancher
Church affiliation: Morse Baptist Church
Background/Education: 1968 Graduate of Gruver High School, 3 years plus college at Texas Tech University in Lubbock

What do you think the biggest problems are facing the school district? High property taxes and lack of control at the local level.

What changes or improvements would you seek as a school board member? Concentrate more on the basics such as reading, writing and math, and bring old-fashioned values back to the school.

What do you view as the role of a school board member? To keep the school under as much local control as possible. This includes listening to the views of each citizen.

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3-Year Term (Two openings)
 Jerry Hart • Ron Womble - Incumbent • Clay Reid - Write-In
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Family Members: Wife - Deana; Two sons: Ross - a 6th grader at Pringle-Morse, and Chris - a Senior at West Texas High in Stinnett
Occupation: Owner of A-1 Service in Morse

Candidates yet to respond:
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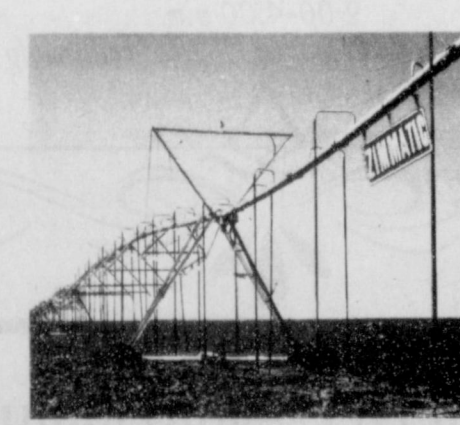
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Several years ago a pretty, sweet young lady named Beverly was one of our GHS twirlers. That young lady, Beverly Dorman Bennett, will be having surgery on April 29, in Dallas. Please remember her in your prayers. If you would like to encourage Beverly or let her know she is in your thoughts, her address is 509 Decatur, Bowie, Texas 76230.

Penny Davis had angioplasty Friday in Amarillo. She is doing well and will be coming home from the hospital this week. She was very disappointed that she was unable to attend the wedding

shower of her grandson, Max, on Saturday.

Don Morley will be having day surgery on Wednesday in Amarillo. Don is expected back home on Thursday.

Dennis Stedje had his stitches removed on Tuesday following his orthoscopic knee surgery last week.

Kenny Bratton has been released from the hospital and is having R&R time at home.

GHS seniors will be honored at a banquet at the Gruver Methodist Church on Monday, April 28, at 7 p.m.

The Gruver FFA Livestock Team consisting of Jared Johnson, Greg Slough, T. J. McClure and Jeff McClure will be competing in the state judging contest this weekend at Texas A&M.

The annual FFA Awards banquet will be held on May 1, in the elementary gym.

The band has several activities scheduled for the spring. On May 3, the Houndsound Band will compete in the Southwest Music Festival in Amarillo. The Festival is a concert band contest for bands in the Panhandle area. The fifth, sixth, and seventh grad bands will be competing in the Dumas Music Festival on May 10 while the Spring Concert for all bands, grades 5-12, will be on May 11.

6, at 7 p.m. in the school auditorium.

Hosting a shower in Gruver may be hazardous to your health. Beth Swink, who held a shower early this year for Stacey Williams French, fell and broke her wrist the day before the shower and eventually had surgery and follow-up therapy. Diane McLain, who hosted the Davis/Thomason shower on Saturday was beset with a hard-hitting virus on the morning of the scheduled event. With the help of friends, both showers were successes, but it might be wise to take your vitamins and wear shoes with non-skid soles if you are planning to host a shower in the coming weeks.

Spearman Tennis

The Spearman Tennis players who will be competing at the Regional Tennis Tournament in Abilene, on April 23 and 24, are as follows: Kristin Beedy and Leslie Holton in girl's singles, Blake Beedy in boy's singles, along with the girl's doubles team of Kasey Dunning and Misha Davis and the boy's doubles team of Mac and Mike Butts. Results of the Tournament will appear in the next edition of the Reporter-Statesman.

Public Notice

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Openings Available for Teachers with certification in 7-8 Science, 7-8 Math, Elementary PE, ESL, HE, Health, Computer Science, Second grade and Middle School Coach with experience in basketball and track. Please send resumé to Pringle-Morse CISD, Attn.: Personnel, Box 109, Morse, TX 79062. TFN(4-17-97)B

LEGAL NOTICE

In accordance with Section 116, Local Government Code of Texas Revised Civil Statutes, the Commissioner's Court of Hansford County will select an official depository for County funds handled by the County for the biennium 1997-1999 at their regular meeting on May 12, 1997 at 10:00 a.m. in the Law Library in the Hansford County Courthouse, Spearman, Texas.

Jim D. Brown
Hansford County Judge
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NOTICE OF A MEETING

OF THE SPEARMAN PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION

Date: April 28, 1997; Time: 9:00 a.m.; Place: City Council Chambers, 30 S.W. Court, Spearman, Texas; Purpose: To consider a request to allow either a business to be operated in the existing building. The property is zoned Planned

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/s/ Cheryl Gibson-Salgado
City Secretary
1(4-24-97)B

REQUEST FOR BIDS

The City of Spearman is soliciting bids for the purchase of property currently owned by the City and described as follows: Lot 8 of Block 40, City of Spearman. The bids being solicited are only for the purchase of the land. The building located on the land is not owned by the City of Spearman and is not part of the bid process.

Bids for the property will be taken until 3:00 p.m. on Friday, May 9, 1997 at which time the bids will be opened and read aloud. Bids received after the deadline will be returned unopened. Send bids to: City of Spearman, P.O. Box 37, Spearman, TX 79081, or bring by City Hall, 30 S.W. Court.

The City reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

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Notice of Gruver Independent School District Board of Trustee Election

To the registered Voters of Gruver, Texas:
Notice is hereby given that the polling place will be in the Gruver Jr. High library and will open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. on May 3, 1997, for voting in a school trustee election, to elect two (2) trustees.

Early voting by personal appearance will be conducted each weekday at Gruver High School Business office, 601 Garrett St. Gruver, Tx. between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. beginning on April 14 and ending on April 29.

Aviso De Gruver Independent School District Board of Trustee Election

A los votantes registrados de Gruver, Tx.
Notifiquese, por las presente, que las casilla se abiran en la Biblioteca de Gruver Jr. High desde las 7 de la mañana hast las 7 de la tarde el 3 de Mayo 1997, para votar en la Elección para elegir dos sindicos.
La votacion en adelantada en persona se llevara a cabo de lunes a viernes en Gruver High School Business Office, 601 Garrett St., Gruver, Tx. entre las 8 de la mañana y las 4 de la tarde empezando el 14 de Abril y terminado el 29 de Abril.

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A large group of Spearman athletes will be representing District 1-AA during Regional competition all this week in Abilene. Athletes will be competing in tennis, golf, and track and field. First and second place finishers at the regional level will then advance to the State Meets during the week of May 5-10. Those representing Spearman as either a competitor or an alternate are: (Back Row, L-R) Mike Butts, Eric Varnon, Dillon Miller, Blake Beedy, Tom Kirk, Carlos Hernandez, Mac Butts, Misha Davis, Cindy Goodman, Stephanie Bynum; (Middle Row, L-R) Brooke Lesly, Keisha OQuin, Jason Banks, Macy Shieldknight, Kristin Beedy, Lindsey Smith, Brittini Beedy, Leslie Holton, Kasey Dunnihoo; (Front Row, L-R) Britt Savage, Halee Beasley, Michael Lusby, Aaron Witten, Landon Miller, Michael Witten; Not Pictured - Marissa Rodriguez, Shayla Barber, Tara Butt.

Varsity Lynx

The Varsity Lynx Track Team amassed 134 points to bring home the District 1-AA Team Championship Trophy on Monday, April 14. The Meet was originally scheduled for April 11 and 12, but was postponed until Monday due to the freezing rain and temperatures experienced on Friday and Saturday. The Lynx tracksters will be sending nine athletes to compete at the Regional Track Meet in Abilene beginning Friday, April 25 and continuing into Saturday, April 26. Carlos Hernandez will be representing Spearman in three events, the 200 m dash, the 400 m dash and the Mile Relay. Joining Carlos on the Mile Relay will be Britt Savage, who will also be competing in the Pole Vault, Michael Witten, who will also compete in the 800 m run, and Michael Lusby. Spearman's outstanding distance runner, Jason Banks, will be racing for state bids in the 3200 m run as well as the 800 m run. Field event specialists that will be testing their skills includes Dillon Miller in the triple jump, who once again improved on his school record, jumping a whopping 43'5" at the district meet, Tom Kirk, competing in the shot put, Eric Varnon, who will be hurling the discus and Landon Miller in the high jump. Alternate to the Regional meet is Michael Lusby in the 300 m hurdles.

Other district competitors and their placements in the meet follow: **3200 Meter Run** - Jason Banks-1st, 10:36.11; **400 Meter Relay** - Clint Goodman, Dillon Miller, Aaron Witten, Chuck Grayson-6th, 48.31; **800 Meter Run**

HC Track Results

Townsen-5th, 148'3"; **Triple Jump** - Dillon Miller-1st, 43'5".

Varsity Lynxettes

The Varsity Lynxettes finished third overall in the district, compiling 113 team points. Going on to compete at the Regional Meet in Abilene this weekend will be Brooke Lesly in the 400 m dash, Marissa Rodriguez in the triple jump and Lindsey Smith in the high jump. Keisha OQuin will be the alternate in the 800 m run, Brooke Lesly is the alternate in the 100 m dash, Shayla Barber is the alternate in the 400 m dash and Tara Butt finished third and will be the alternate in the shot put. Also with third place finishes was the Lynxette 800 m Relay, consisting of Brittini Beedy, Shayla Barber, Cindy Goodman and Marissa Rodriguez and the 1600 m Relay of Stephanie Bynum, Keisha OQuin, Halee Beasley and Brooke Lesly.

All district results follow: **400 Meter Relay - Spearman-4th**, 53.91; **800 Meter Relay - Keisha OQuin-3rd**, 2:34.70; **Halee Beasley-4th**, 2:37.09; **Stephanie Bynum-5th**, 2:45.53; **100 Meter Hurdles - Holly Pipkin-5th**, 17.80; **100 Meter Dash - Brooke Lesly-3rd**, 13.17; **Lindsey Smith-5th**, 13.70; **Camille Smith-6th**, 14.60; **800 Meter Relay - Brittini Beedy, Shayla Barber, Cindy Goodman, Marissa Rodriguez-3rd**, 1:53.91; **400 Meter Dash - Brooke Lesly-2nd**, 62.28; **Shayla Barber-3rd**, 66.66; **Marissa Rodriguez-4th**, 67.4; **200 Meter Dash - Cindy Goodman-4th**, 28.00; **Brittini**

Beedy-5th, 28.72; **1600 Meter Relay - Stephanie Bynum, Keisha OQuin, Halee Beasley, Brooke Lesly-3rd**, 4:15.08; **Shot Put - Tara Butt-3rd**, 31'0"; **Discus - Tara Butt-4th**, 99'1"; **High Jump - Lindsey Smith-2nd**, 5'2"; **Long Jump - Lindsey Smith-4th**, 15'0 3/4"; **Brittini Beedy-5th**, 15'0"; **Triple Jump - Marissa Rodriguez-2nd**, 33'4 3/4"; **Camille Smith-5th**, 31'7".

Junior Varsity Lynx

The Spearman Junior Varsity Lynx finished in 3rd place. Results follow.

Discus - Doran Schoenhals-2nd, 127' 6 1/2"; **Quentin Shieldknight-4th**, 114' 11"; **Shot Put - Doran Schoenhals-4th-34'8"**; **Triple Jump - Clayton Wilkerson-1st**, 36' 6 1/2"; **Long Jump - Clayton Wilkerson-1st**, 17'8 1/2"; **Dusty Barber-5th**, 16' 2 3/4"; **3200 Meters - Brian Black-4th**, 12:26; **Nathan Pipkin-6th**, 13:05; **400 Meter Relay - Spearman-5th**, 51.10; **800 Meters - Phillip Creel-2nd**, 2:24.25; **110 Hurdles - Josh Schuman - 5th**, 18:22; **100 Meters - Clayton Wilkerson-4th**, 12.3; **300 Hurdles - Josh Schuman-4th**, 45.79; **200 Meters - Clayton Wilkerson-5th**, 25.71; **1600 Meters - Brian Black-5th**, 5:42.36; **1600 Relay - Spearman-4th**, 3:56.22.



Gruber High School Regional Track Qualifiers: (Front Row, L-R) Jared Christian, Kyle McNett, John Duncan, Wesley Miser; (Middle Row, L-R) Autumn Bateman, Wesley Maupin, Amber Murrell, Amy Gillispie; (Back Row, L-R) Buster McLain, Brant Armes, Jim Potts, Victor Luciano.

by Harletta Carthel

Gruber High School regional track qualifiers competed in Amarillo this week in a regional qualifiers meet held at Tascosa High School. Team members did well in competition with the area's best athletes, and more importantly, prepared themselves for the big regional meet this weekend in Levelland.

Varsity Boys

400 Meter Relay - John Duncan, Jared Christian, Kyle McNett, and Brant Armes, 44.93. Although the relay did not place, Coach Frick was pleased that the relay lowered their time and feels the

group will do well in the regional meet. **800 Meter Run - Wesley Miser**, 2:10; **200 Meter Run - John Duncan**, 23.2, 6th; **Pole Vault - Buster McLain**, 14' 6" (new school record), 3rd; **Clint Robinson**, 12' 6", 5th; **1600 Meter Run - Victor Luciano** (time n/a).

Varsity Girls

100 Meter Hurdles - Amy Gillispie, 15.9, 3rd; **300 Meter Hurdles - Amy Gillispie**, 49.2, 4th; **High Jump - Amber Murrell**, 4' 10", 6th; **Long Jump - Amber Murrell**, 14' 8", 4th; **Mile Relay - Amber Murrell, Amy Gillispie, Wesley Maupin, and Autumn Bateman** 4:20, 5th.

SHS District Golf Results

The Spearman Golf Teams recently competed in district competition with both girls and boys finishing in 5th place overall. Macy Shieldknight, however, finished second individually and competed at the Regional Tournament in Abilene on Monday and Tuesday of this week. Results were not available by press time. The Varsity Girl's team and their individual/team results are as follows: Macy Shieldknight: 89/101; Mandy

Vernon: 122/118; Jennifer Neff: 138/126; Samantha Beasley: 116/116; Julie Scroggs: 123/126. The two-day team total for the girls was 911. The Varsity Boy's team and their individual/team results are: Jamie Townsen 93/94; Eric Cudd: 100/94; Doran Schoenhals: 101/106; Quentin Shieldknight: 98/98; Jason Genn: 100/116. Their two-day team total was 783.

The JV Boys team finished 7th

overall with the following results: Landon Delozier: 106/97; Mario Salazar: 112/91; Dewayne Creel: 116/86; Mickey Schoenhals: 106/116; Kelsey Henton: 101/107 for a team total of 806.

Individual competitors for the girls were Stephanie Bowling who shot a 122/118 and Andee McGaha who shot a 134/143. Individual boys were Tommie Dewberry who shot a 110/111 and Brace Scroggs who shot a 102/110.



by Dorothy Hudson

Lake Depth--April 21, 1997--38 feet, 3.5 inches, 56 degrees. Jim reports 8 RVs at the Lake this weekend. Most of them were from the Good Sam's Club of

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Several years ago a pretty, sweet young lady named Beverly was one of our GHS twirlers. That young lady, Beverly Dorman Bennett, will be having surgery on April 29, in Dallas. Please remember her in your prayers. If you would like to encourage Beverly or let her know she is in your thoughts, her address is 509 Decatur, Bowie, Texas 76230.

Penny Davis had angioplasty Friday in Amarillo. She is doing well and will be coming home from the hospital this week. She was very disappointed that she was unable to attend the wedding

shower of her grandson, Max, on Saturday.

Don Morley will be having day surgery on Wednesday in Amarillo. Don is expected back home on Thursday.

Dennis Stedje had his stitches removed on Tuesday following his orthoscopic knee surgery last week.

Kenny Bratton has been released from the hospital and is having R&R time at home.

GHS seniors will be honored at a banquet at the Gruver Methodist Church on Monday, April 28, at 7 p.m.

The Gruver FFA Livestock Team consisting of Jared Johnson, Greg Slough, T. J. McClure and Jeff McClure will be competing in the state judging contest this weekend at Texas A&M.

The annual FFA Awards banquet will be held on May 1, in the elementary gym.

The band has several activities scheduled for the spring. On May 3, the Houndsound Band will compete in the Southwest Music Festival in Amarillo. The Festival is a concert band contest for bands in the Panhandle area. The fifth, sixth, and seventh grad bands will be competing in the Dumas Music Festival on May 10 while the Spring Concert for all bands, grades 5-12, will be on May

6, at 7 p.m. in the school auditorium.

Hosting a shower in Gruver may be hazardous to your health. Beth Swink, who held a shower early this year for Stacey Williams French, fell and broke her wrist the day before the shower and eventually had surgery and follow-up therapy. Diane McLain, who hosted the Davis/Thomason shower on Saturday was beset with a hard-hitting virus on the morning of the scheduled event. With the help of friends, both showers were successes, but it might be wise to take your vitamins and wear shoes with non-skid soles if you are planning to host a shower in the coming weeks.

Spearman Tennis

The Spearman Tennis players who will be competing at the Regional Tennis Tournament in Abilene, on April 23 and 24, are as follows: Kristin Beedy and Leslie Holton in girl's singles, Blake Beedy in boy's singles, along with the girl's doubles team of Kasey Dunnihoo and Misha Davis and the boy's doubles team of Mac and Mike Butts. Results of the Tournament will appear in the next edition of the Reporter-Statesman.

Public Notice

Development: Property: Tract B, 2nd Advent, City of Spearman, Hansford County, Texas, being 1105 Roland. For additional information, call 659-2524.

/s/ Cheryl Gibson-Salgado
City Secretary
1(4-24-97)B

REQUEST FOR BIDS

The City of Spearman is soliciting bids for the purchase of property currently owned by the City and described as follows: Lot 8 of Block 40, City of Spearman. The bids being solicited are only for the purchase of the land. The building located on the land is not owned by the City of Spearman and is not part of the bid process.

Bids for the property will be taken until 3:00 p.m. on Friday, May 9, 1997 at which time the bids will be opened and read aloud. Bids received after the deadline will be returned unopened. Send bids to: City of Spearman, P.O. Box 37, Spearman, TX 79081, or bring by City Hall, 30 S.W. Court.

The City reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

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TFN(4-17-97)B

LEGAL NOTICE

In accordance with Section 116, Local Government Code of Texas Revised Civil Statutes, the Commissioner's Court of Hansford County will select an official depository for County funds handled by the County for the biennium 1997-1999 at their regular meeting on May 12, 1997 at 10:00 a.m. in the Law Library in the Hansford County Courthouse, Spearman, Texas.

Jim D. Brown
Hansford County Judge
4(4-17-97)B

NOTICE OF A MEETING

OF THE SPEARMAN PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION

Date: April 28, 1997; Time: 9:00 a.m.; Place: City Council Chambers, 30 S.W. Court, Spearman, Texas; Purpose: To consider a request to allow either a business to be operated in the existing building. The property is zoned Planned

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Notice of Gruver Independent School District Board of Trustee Election

To the registered Voters of Gruver, Texas:

Notice is hereby given that the polling place will be in the Gruver Jr. High library and will open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. on May 3, 1997, for voting in a school trustee election, to elect two (2) trustees.

Early voting by personal appearance will be conducted each weekday at Gruver High School Business office, 601 Garrett St. Gruver, Tx. between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. beginning on April 14 and ending on April 29.

Aviso De Gruver Independent School District Board of Trustee Election

A los votantes registrados de Gruver, Tx.

Notifiquese, por las presente, que las casilla se abriran en la Biblioteca de Gruver Jr. High desde las 7 de la mañana hasta las 7 de la tarde el 3 de Mayo 1997, para votar en la Elección para elegir dos síndicos.

La votación en adelantada en persona se llevará a cabo de lunes a viernes en Gruver High School Business Office, 601 Garrett St., Gruver, Tx. entre las 8 de la mañana y las 4 de la tarde empezando el 14 de Abril y terminado el 29 de Abril.

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A large group of Spearman athletes will be representing District 1-AA during Regional competition all this week in Abilene. Athletes will be competing in tennis, golf, and track and field. First and second place finishers at the regional level will then advance to the State Meets during the week of May 5-10. Those representing Spearman as either a competitor or an alternate are: (Back Row, L-R) Mike Butts, Eric Varnon, Dillon Miller, Blake Beedy, Tom Kirk, Carlos Hernandez, Mac Butts, Misha Davis, Cindy Goodman, Stephanie Bynum; (Middle Row, L-R) Brooke Lesly, Keisha OQuin, Jason Banks, Macy Shieldknight, Kristin Beedy, Lindsey Smith, Brittini Beedy, Leslie Holton, Kasey Dunnihoo; (Front Row, L-R) Britt Savage, Halee Beasley, Michael Lusby, Aaron Witten, Landon Miller, Michael Witten; Not Pictured - Marissa Rodriguez, Shayla Barber, Tara Butt.

Varsity Lynx

The Varsity Lynx Track Team amassed 134 points to bring home the District 1-AA Team Championship Trophy on Monday, April 14. The Meet was originally scheduled for April 11 and 12, but was postponed until Monday due to the freezing rain and temperatures experienced on Friday and Saturday. The Lynx tracksters will be sending nine athletes to compete at the Regional Track Meet in Abilene beginning Friday, April 25 and continuing into Saturday, April 26. Carlos Hernandez will be representing Spearman in three events, the 200 m dash, the 400 m dash and the Mile Relay. Joining Carlos on the Mile Relay will be Britt Savage, who will also be competing in the Pole Vault, Michael Witten, who will also compete in the 800 m run, and Michael Lusby. Spearman's outstanding distance runner, Jason Banks, will be racing for state bids in the 3200 m run as well as the 800 m run. Field event specialists that will be testing their skills includes Dillon Miller in the triple jump, who once again improved on his school record, jumping a whopping 43'5" at the district meet, Tom Kirk, competing in the shot put, Eric Varnon, who will be hurling the discus and Landon Miller in the high jump. Alternate to the Regional meet is Michael Lusby in the 300 m hurdles.

Other district competitors and their placements in the meet follow: **3200 Meter Run** - Jason Banks-1st, 10:36.11; **400 Meter Relay** - Clint Goodman, Dillon Miller, Aaron Witten, Chuck Grayson-6th, 48.31; **800 Meter Run**

HC Track Results

Townsen-5th, 148'3"; **Triple Jump** - Dillon Miller-1st, 43'5".
Varsity Lynxettes

The Varsity Lynxettes finished third overall in the district, compiling 113 team points. Going on to compete at the Regional Meet in Abilene this weekend will be Brooke Lesly in the 400 m dash, Marissa Rodriguez in the triple jump and Lindsey Smith in the high jump. Keisha OQuin will be the alternate in the 800 m run, Brooke Lesly is the alternate in the 100 m dash, Shayla Barber is the alternate in the 400 m dash and Tara Butt finished third and will be the alternate in the shot put. Also with third place finishes was the Lynxette 800 m Relay, consisting of Brittini Beedy, Shayla Barber, Cindy Goodman and Marissa Rodriguez and the 1600 m Relay of Stephanie Bynum, Keisha OQuin, Halee Beasley and Brooke Lesly.

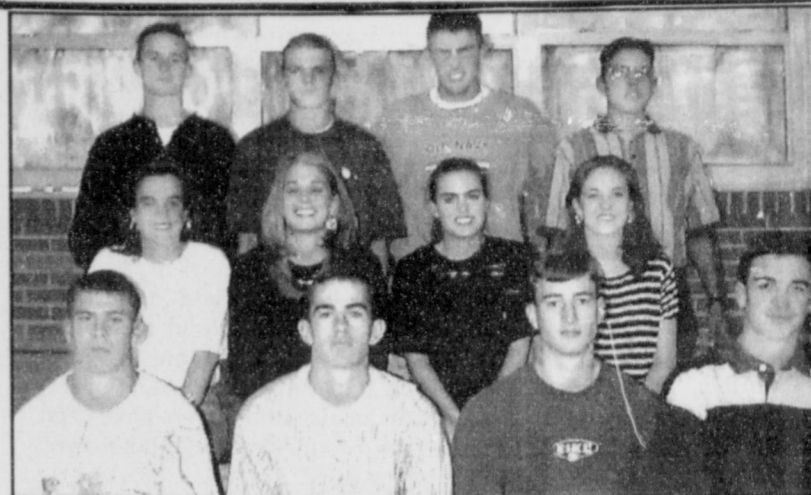
All district results follow: **400 Meter Relay** - Spearman-4th, 53.91; **800 Meter Relay** - Keisha OQuin-3rd, 2:34.70, Halee Beasley-4th, 2:37.09, Stephanie Bynum-5th, 2:45.53; **100 Meter Hurdles** - Holly Pipkin-5th, 17.80; **100 Meter Dash** - Brooke Lesly-3rd, 13.17, Lindsey Smith-5th, 13.70, Camille Smith-6th, 14.60; **800 Meter Relay** - Brittini Beedy, Shayla Barber, Cindy Goodman, Marissa Rodriguez-3rd, 1:53.91; **400 Meter Dash** - Brooke Lesly-2nd, 62.28, Shayla Barber-3rd, 66.66, Marissa Rodriguez-4th, 67.4; **200 Meter Dash** - Cindy Goodman-4th, 28.00, Brittini

Beedy-5th, 28.72; **1600 Meter Relay** - Stephanie Bynum, Keisha OQuin, Halee Beasley, Brooke Lesly-3rd, 4:15.08; **Shot Put** - Tara Butt-3rd, 31'0"; **Discus** - Tara Butt-4th, 99'1"; **High Jump** - Lindsey Smith-2nd, 5'2"; **Long Jump** - Lindsey Smith-4th, 15'0 3/4"; **Triple Jump** - Marissa Rodriguez-2nd, 33'4 3/4", Camille Smith-5th, 31'7".

Junior Varsity Lynx

The Spearman Junior Varsity Lynx finished in 3rd place. Results follow.

Discus - Doran Schoenhals-2nd, 127' 6 1/2"; **Quentin Shieldknight**-4th, 114' 11"; **Shot Put** - Doran Schoenhals-4th-34'8"; **Triple Jump** - Clayton Wilkerson-1st, 36' 6 1/2"; **Long Jump** - Clayton Wilkerson-1st, 17'8 1/2"; **Dusty Barber**-5th, 16' 2 3/4"; **3200 Meters** - Brian Black-4th, 12:26, Nathan Pipkin-6th, 13:05; **400 Meter Relay** - Spearman-5th, 51.10; **800 Meters** - Phillip Creel-2nd, 2:24.25; **110 Hurdles** - Josh Schuman - 5th, 18:22; **100 Meters** - Clayton Wilkerson-4th, 12.3; **300 Hurdles** - Josh Schuman-4th, 45.79; **200 Meters** - Clayton Wilkerson-5th, 25.71; **1600 Meters** - Brian Black-5th, 5:42.36; **1600 Relay** - Spearman-4th, 3:56.22.



Gruber High School Regional Track Qualifiers: (Front Row, L-R) Jared Christian, Kyle McNett, John Duncan, Wesley Miser; (Middle Row, L-R) Autumn Bateman, Wesley Maupin, Amber Murrell, Amy Gillispie; (Back Row, L-R) Buster McLain, Brant Armes, Jim Potts, Victor Luciano.

by Harletta Carthel

Gruber High School regional track qualifiers competed in Amarillo this week in a regional qualifiers meet held at Tascosa High School. Team members did well in competition with the area's best athletes, and more importantly, prepared themselves for the big regional meet this weekend in Levelland.

Varsity Boys

400 Meter Relay - John Duncan, Jared Christian, Kyle McNett, and Brant Armes, 44.93. Although the relay did not place, Coach Frick was pleased that the relay lowered their time and feels the

group will do well in the regional meet. **800 Meter Run** - Wesley Miser, 2:10; **200 Meter Run** - John Duncan, 23.2, 6th; **Pole Vault** - Buster McLain, 14' 6" (new school record), 3rd, Clint Robinson, 12' 6", 5th; **1600 Meter Run** - Victor Luciano (time n/a).

Varsity Girls

100 Meter Hurdles - Amy Gillispie, 15.9, 3rd; **300 Meter Hurdles** - Amy Gillispie, 49.2, 4th; **High Jump** - Amber Murrell, 4' 10", 6th; **Long Jump** - Amber Murrell, 14' 8", 4th; **Mile Relay** - Amber Murrell, Amy Gillispie, Weslyn Maupin, and Autumn Bateman 4:20, 5th.

SHS District Golf Results

The Spearman Golf Teams recently competed in district competition with both girls and boys finishing in 5th place overall. Macy Shieldknight, however, finished second individually and competed at the Regional Tournament in Abilene on Monday and Tuesday of this week. Results were not available by press time. The Varsity Girl's team and their individual/team results are as follows: Macy Shieldknight: 89/101; Mandy

Vernon: 122/118; Jennifer Neff: 138/126; Samantha Beasley: 116/116; Julie Scroggs: 123/126. The two-day team total for the girls was 911. The Varsity Boy's team and their individual/team results are: Jamie Townsen 93/94; Eric Cudd: 100/94; Doran Schoenhals: 101/106; Quentin Shieldknight: 98/98; Jason Genn: 100/116. Their two-day team total was 783. The JV Boys team finished 7th

overall with the following results: Landon DeLozier: 106/97; Mario Salazar: 112/91; Dewayne Creel: 116/86; Mickey Schoenhals: 106/116; Kelsey Henton: 101/107 for a team total of 806.

Individual competitors for the girls were Stephanie Bowling who shot a 122/118 and Andee McGaha who shot a 134/143. Individual boys were Tommie Dewberry who shot a 110/111 and Brace Scroggs who shot a 102/110.



Out At The Lake

by Dorothy Hudson

Lake Depth--April 21, 1997--38 feet, 3.5 inches, 56 degrees. Jim reports 8 RVs at the Lake this weekend. Most of them were from the Good Sam's Club of

Dumas. The fishing was not good this weekend, but with the rise in water temperature, he thinks it will pick up. The wild turkeys have broken into smaller groups, and the toms are strutting their stuff now.

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FOOD

POPCORN PANTRY: Assorted flavors of popcorn. We fill cans. Video Garden, 300 Main Street, Spearman, TX. 659-1742.
TFN(3-20-97)B

HANSFORD HOSPICE

GARAGE SALE

Saturday, April 26, 1997
9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Key's Cafe Building on Main Street
Spearman, Texas

TEXSCAN

WEEK OF 4-20-97

BUSINESS OPPORTUNITIES

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\$2,000 HIRE ON bonus-experienced OTR flatbed drivers. All KW conventional. XInt. benefits. Average \$30K+/year. Trainee positions available. CDL, 23+, TSE 1-800-548-3120, ext. D-102.

ARROW TRUCKING COMPANY *flatbed and van operation *regional or long haul *Houston - Dallas - Lonestar Terminals *assigned conventional *experienced drivers - owner operators. 1-888-277-6937, CDL training available, 713-956-6259, EOE.

DIESEL MECHANICS; FRIEGLTLINEER dealership has all shifts available for top mechanics. Relocation expenses to Kansas/Nebraska plus 32K-45K 1st year. Call Scot King 1-800-365-0440.

GRAND CANYON McDONALD'S. Now hiring. Looking for hardworking, energetic & smiling people. Good pay. Low economical dorm housing available. Contact Grant 520-638-2862 or send application to P.O. Box 3026, Grand Canyon, AZ 86033.

POOL COMPANY IS accepting applications for experienced roustabouts, floorhands, derrickworkers, and crane operators to work on offshore rigs every Monday thru Friday from 9:00AM to 11:00AM and 1:00PM to 4:00PM. You may apply at Pool Company, 3640 Peters Road, Harvey, LA or call 504-365-3243 to request that an application be mailed to you. Provide addresses and telephone numbers of previous employers. Should possess willingness for hard work under harsh conditions. Clean drug and alcohol screen is a condition of employment. E.O.E. - minority/female/disabled/veteran. Qualified individuals only need apply!

EXCHANGE STUDENT

MAKE A STUDENT'S dream come true. AISE is seeking host families for foreign exchange students from over 40 countries world wide. All students speak English and have their own insurance and spending money. American Intercultural Student Exchange, a non-profit educational foundation. Call now 1-800-518-1100.

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HEALTH

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MISCELLANEOUS

MISSING PERSONS LOCATED, background checks, civil and criminal checks, assets located and much more! No fee unless information requested is obtained. National Information Bureau, Inc. 1-800-545-1818.

PAGEANT: NOW ACCEPTING applications from girls 3-17 for Miss Texas American Teen/Princess/Sweetheart/Princess & Petite Princess Pageant. For free application and brochure, call toll-free 1-800-713-2633.

POOL CITY'S KAYAK Pools, demo homesites wanted to display new maintenance free pool. Save thousands w/ this unique opportunity! 100% financing... call 1-800-338-9919.

VACATION

NORTHWEST FLORIDA. DESTIN to Panama City Beach. Gulf-front condos, townhomes, beach houses. Free color brochure. Edgewater Services, Inc./dune-Allen Realty, Inc., 1-888-267-2121, www.floridarental.com

HOME OF THE WEEK

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Almost Country - Older 3 bedroom home on approximately 7 acres and the horse barn is new. Don't miss this exceptional buy!

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Get in the SWING of THINGS

Hansford Golf Club Annual Membership Meeting

Monday, April 28
7:00 p.m.

Hansford County Library
(upstairs meeting room)

Election of Officers

Today's decisions affect our children's tomorrow.

You can make a difference. Please vote.

LENIS SIMPSON - Candidate for School Board

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IN GOD WE TRUST

The Annual NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER
First Thursday of May

Thursday, May 1, 1997, is the 46th Annual National Day of Prayer. This is a wonderful opportunity to unite together, as one nation under God, to collectively ask for God's mercy and blessing on our country. We urge you to join with us to thank the Lord for His goodness to our nation and confess our great need of His continued guidance. As we agree together in prayer, we can change America... and ourselves.

Those who know your name will trust in you, for you, LORD, have never forsaken those who seek you.

—Psalm 9:10 (NIV)

First United Methodist Church of Spearman
Thursday, May 1st
12:30-1:00 p.m.

Call this newspaper for details on how to advertise statewide.