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The Palo Duro Creek was running out of its banks on Wednesday morning, thanks to the rain received on Tuesday night and early Wednesday morning. Gruver received .8", Morse received 3.2", and Spearman received 1.2". ABOVE: South Palo Duro Creek with Morse in the background. BELOW: Palo Duro Creek on FM 520. (Photos by Jim Derington)



Davis' Named Hansford County Pioneer King & Queen

When Irvin and Betty Davis were asked to serve as Pioneer King and Queen for Hansford County Pioneer Days, they were hesitant, thinking they wouldn't be qualified to fill the position. After more persuasion, they finally agreed.

Irvin and Betty Davis are true citizens of Hansford County. Irvin was born in Spearman. His parents were J. W. and Martha (Mattie) King Davis, and along with a sister and brothers, they attended Spearman schools. Like all kids in the 1930s and 1940s era, they did chores and worked at various jobs in the town's businesses.

Irvin worked in his dad's service station, Davis Oil Company when seven years of age. At the age of thirteen he was driving a truck to Sunray, picking up loads of gas at the refinery. Then at the age of sixteen Irvin was able to buy his first car, a 1929 Model A for \$20. He still found time to play football and basketball during his Sophomore and Junior years. Due to the war, there were no organized



Irvin and Betty Jean Davis teams during the Senior High School years.

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The Gruver High School Golf Team took 2nd place at the State 1A Golf Tournament. Competing for Gruver were (L-R) Zach Logsdon, Cory Graves, Parker Grotegut, Reagan Karlin, and Blake Fitzgeard.

Weather Forecast

THURSDAY NIGHT - Partly cloudy. Lows in the upper 40s. East winds 5 to 10 mph.
FRIDAY - Partly cloudy. Highs around 90. South winds 10 to 15 mph.
FRIDAY NIGHT - Mostly cloudy in the evening then becoming partly cloudy. Lows in the lower 60s.
SATURDAY - Partly cloudy. Highs in the lower 90s.
SATURDAY NIGHT - Mostly clear. Lows in the lower 60s.
SUNDAY - Partly cloudy. Highs in the lower 90s.
SUNDAY NIGHT - Partly cloudy. Lows in the lower 60s.
MONDAY - Partly cloudy. Highs in the mid 80s.
MONDAY NIGHT - Partly cloudy. Lows in the lower 60s.
TUESDAY - Partly cloudy. Highs in the upper 80s.
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LeAnna Espinosa (bottom right) signs a Letter of Intent to play basketball for Oklahoma Panhandle State University as her mother, Eva (bottom left) and sisters (back, L-R) Loree and Lisa look on. Also pictured is her niece Annelyse. Not picture are her father, Miguel, and niece Gracelyn.

LeAnna Espinosa Signs Letter of Intent

LeAnna Espinosa signed a Letter of Intent on Friday, May 14th to play basketball for Oklahoma Panhandle State University. The signing ceremony was held 10 a.m. in the Spearman High School Library, surrounded by her coaches, teachers, family and friends. Spearman High School Principal Bill Belger, her coaches, teachers and her mother spoke about her maturity and growth as a person and a basketball player.

"I have always known that LeAnna would be going somewhere," stated her mother, Eva Espinosa. "She is driven, but she has her head on right. She has a great relationship with God. She has been blessed."

Her mother also thanked everyone for the support they have shown to LeAnna over her years.

LeAnna was named to the 2009-2010 Texas Girls Coaches Association 2A Academic All-State Basketball Team. She also represented Spearman High School at the Golden Spread All-Star Basketball Tournament.

Sandy Haney Publishes Book of Poetry

by Catherine Smith

Sandy Haney of Spearman has a book of poetry in production by Tate Publishing & Enterprises, LLC. The projected release date is August 2010.

The book, *Sand Crab Sentiments (A Tide Pool of Poetry)* consists of poems that Sandy has written for family and friends through the years for every occasion such as birth, graduation, empty nest, anniversaries and death. The purpose of the book is to persuade the reader to stay focused on God through every circumstance, and endure life's crashing waves to the end.

"This collection of inspirational poetry will encourage even the weariest Christian to keep looking forward and endure to the end," said Ashley Luckett, Tate Publishing Editor. "Sandy's passion for the Lord and His Word is evident in her poems about life, death, love, happiness, and everything in between. She has been used as God's pen to bring hope to the hopeless and strength to the weak. *Sand Crab Sentiments* includes uplifting poems for any situation you may find yourself in, whether delightful or dismal, droll or deep. Immerse yourself in these *Sand Crab Sentiments*, and you will soon realize that this crustacean's perspective is one to emulate."

Sandy has been writing poetry since she was in first grade. "I remember the first time I gave someone a poem I had written," recalled Sandy. "I wrote it for my babysitter and Sunday school teacher - 'my earthly angel.' I remember that she cried and I thought, 'Wow! Something I wrote did that.' I have been trying ever since then to get my poetry out there to bring people to God."

Sandy has submitted her poetry to publishers several times over the years, but was never successful until now.

"I don't know how other recent empty nesters coped, but I struggled," said Sandy. "After the graduation of our youngest, I furthered my own education and took on more responsibilities. Though all ventures were rewarding and meaningful, the gut-wrenching echo of an empty house still saddened me to my very core. As God cradled me through the emptiness of empty nest, he lovingly reminded me that writing has always been my greatest honor and best catharsis. He carried me through struggles, failures, healing and hope, and the poetry came."

"I was humbled as I watched tears bathe precious faces of weary souls who read God's message in my poems," continued Sandy. "I started writing again, and the Lord filled my void in ways I never imagined, not just for me but for others as well."

That's what prompted her most recent attempt to have a book of poetry published. "Now that it is," said Sandy, "I pray it will accomplish God's purpose in each person who reads it. I am reminded that no matter how many certifications I hold, how many responsibilities I have or how many books I have published, nothing is more satisfying than being healed and bringing the wounded to the Healer."

Sandy teaches first grade at Gus Birdwell Elementary in Spearman, TX. She is also a certified teacher of the visibly impaired. She is married to Marty Haney, and they have two children, Steven and his wife, Lauren live in Amarillo, and Sharon is a student at Wayland Baptist University in Plainview. She is the daughter of Bob and the late Omie Danley of San Diego, California, and the daughter-in-law of Roland and Loretta Haney, pastors of the Apostolic Faith Church in Spearman.

She attended Bible College in Baxter Springs, Kansas, where she met her husband, Marty. After they were married, they moved to Rockdale, in central Texas. She attended The University of Mary Hardin Baylor in Belton, where she earned a degree in Elementary Education.

Sand Crab Sentiments will be available through Barnes & Nobles, Amazon, and area Christian book stores. It is expected to sell for around \$15.



Baccalaureate Heralds Graduation

Baccalaureate services for the 2010 Spearman and Gruver Senior Classes will be at 7 p.m. on Sunday, May 23. Spearman will hold the services in the High School Auditorium, while Gruver will conduct services in the Gruver United Methodist Church.

Graduation exercises for the SHS and GHS seniors will be held on Friday, May 28th. Spearman graduation will be held at 7 p.m., while Gruver will begin graduation at 8:00 p.m. Both ceremonies will be held in their respective auditoriums.

Spearman 8th grade graduation will be Thursday, May 27th at 6:30 p.m. in the SHS Auditorium. Gruver 8th grade graduation will also be held Thursday, May 27th at 8 p.m. in the GHS Auditorium. Pringle-Morse will hold 8th grade graduation on Tuesday, May 25th at 7 p.m. in the auditorium.

Wolf Creek Heritage Museum Notes

MUSEUM HAPPENINGS
The month and year is flying by quickly. It is the fifth month, and it's almost over. The reason I say this is because we are still working on our projects for the first quarter of the year and the second quarter is almost over. So, if you come see us, ignore the office and work space, there are work piles everywhere with "work in progress."

Besides the books we are working on, we have the summer schedule, regular exhibit work, maintenance activities, and etc. With all of these activities, everything stops when a visitor enters the door. We love visitors! You give us a welcome break from work, so this summer plan to visit us often.

The news is full of stories about how Americans will be traveling less this year due to the economy. Well, the solution is travel at home. Come by the museum and learn about fun day trips in our area, area museums, and other things to do in the Panhandle. I also have giant dinosaur puzzles that I can set up for kids with a days notice.

The History book project is progressing to its end for

this phase. I was gone last week and the email inbox reached its peak and some email was rejected due to its size. If you emailed stories and pictures to us last week and the email was sent back to you, try again this week. Sorry for the problem, but I was out with one of my other jobs.

We are putting the summer schedule together and still need entertainment for June and July. Do you know of singers, poets, bands, choirs, re-enactors, historians, storytellers, etc. who have a program that we could host? Give us a call at 806-852-2123.

HISTORICAL MUSINGS

Three interesting events for May from the Texas Day-by-Day online email.

1. May 7, 1861, Anna Pennybacker, clubwoman, woman suffrage advocate, author, lecturer was born in Petersburg, Virginia. She graduated from the first class of Sam Houston Normal School in Huntsville, TX, continued her education in Europe, and taught grammar and high school for fourteen years. In 1884 she married native Texan Percy V. Pennybacker. Mrs. Pennbacker wrote and published a New History of Texas in 1888, and

the textbook was a staple of Texas classroom for forty years. She founded one of the first Women's Clubs in Texas, Tyler Woman's Club, in 1894. She became President of the Texas Women's Federation, raised money for women's scholarships to Texas University and helped persuade the legislature to fund a women's dormitory. She also had a fourteen year friendship with Eleanor Roosevelt based on their mutual interests in the advancement of women, world peace, and the Democratic Party. Anna Pennybacker died in Austin in 1938.

2. May 14, 1854, Texas Germans gathered to discuss the national crisis over slavery. At the annual Staats-Saengerfest (State Singers' Festival), held on May 14 and 15, delegates from various local political clubs of German citizens in western Texas met in San Antonio and, following the lead of the Frier Mann Verein (Freeman's Association) organized by fellow Germans in the Northern states, adopted a mildly worded plank declaring that slavery was an evil and that abolition was the business of the states. The resolution went on to maintain that a state should be able to obtain help from the federal government to effect abolition. By "help" the convention meant that the state would ask the federal government to pay the owners for freed slaves. The declaration, along with more strongly worded antislavery newspaper articles in the German language press, led many Anglo-Texans to question the loyalty of their German neighbors on the slavery question, and eventually helped fuel mistrust when Texas joined the Confederacy in 1861.

3. May 16, 1968, 400 students at Edgewood High School in San Antonio held a walkout and demonstration, and marched to the district administration office. Ninety percent of the students in the Edgewood district were of Mexican origin. Among the students' grievances were insufficient supplies and the lack of qualified teachers. On July 10 of the same year, Demetrio Rodriguez and seven other Edgewood parents filed suit on behalf of Texas schoolchildren who were poor or resided in school districts with low property-tax bases. The resulting class action, Rodriguez vs. San Antonio ISD, was a landmark case in which a federal district court declared the Texas school-finance system unconstitutional.

Enjoy your week and step and enjoy the spring irises. Thanks for planting them.



STATE CAPITAL HIGHLIGHTS

By Ed Sterling



STATE CAPITAL HIGHLIGHTS

Governor's office publishes new Homeland Security plan

AUSTIN — Now available for all with Internet access to read is the new "Texas Homeland Security Strategic Plan 2010-2015." Gov. Rick Perry called his plan "a high-level road map to allow for adaptation to evolving situations in an ever-changing threat environment."

Perry said the plan builds on what the state has done over the last five years, a period during which more than \$230 million was committed to fund border security operations. Samples of the plan's stated goals:

- Prevent terrorists and criminal enterprises from exploiting Texas' international borders.
- Increase public awareness and reporting of suspicious activities.
- Reduce vulnerability to natural and man-made disasters.
- Enhance safety of schools.
- Enhance security features in state driver's licenses and identification cards to include the use of biometrics.

The Web address for the plan is: www.governor.state.tx.us/files/press-office/TX-Homeland-Security-Strategic-Plan-2010-2015.pdf.

Senators visit Louisiana prison
Two Texas state senators on May 16 checked into a maximum security Louisiana prison for a three-day stay. Senate Criminal Justice Committee Chairman John Whitmire, D-Houston, and committee member Dan Patrick, R-Houston, went to the storied Louisiana State Prison at Angola to observe a ministry program run by New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary that has been credited with reforming inmates.

Warden Burl Cain invited Whitmire and Patrick as guests after he watched Patrick's documentary film, "The Heart of Texas," which carries a potentially live-changing message for inmates.

Sales tax break for appliances
Texas Comptroller Susan Combs on May 14 announced the third annual Texas "Energy Star" Sales Tax Holiday to run May 29 - 31.

During the three-day sales tax holiday, Texas shoppers will not have to pay state and local sales tax on certain energy efficiency-rated products. "It's a great opportunity for consumers to save at the register and at home, where they'll see the benefits returned in energy savings on their utility bills," Combs said.

The tax break applies to air conditioners priced less than \$6,000, refrigerators priced less than \$2,000, ceiling fans, incandescent and fluorescent light bulbs, clothes washers, dishwashers, dehumidifiers and programmable thermostats.

The tax break also applies to installation and delivery charges for the products on the list, Combs said.

Patterson: Coast clear for now
Land Commissioner Jerry Patterson on May 13 said the Deepwater Horizon oil spill slick was about 160 miles east of the Texas coast.

"Despite some media reports, Texas is not yet affected by this spill," Patterson said. "We're watching and waiting, but it's just not time to go to general quarters. No news is good news."

If any oil from the Deepwater Horizon makes it to the Texas coast, it will not be in the form of a thick sludge, it will be tarballs, Patterson said. If any tarballs from the Deepwater Horizon make it to Texas shores, the

Texas General Land Office will work with the U.S. Coast Guard and the oil rig operator BP to clean them up. "It's not that big of a deal," Patterson said.

Arizona a no-go for city of Austin
Austin City Council on May 13 unanimously adopted a resolution to curtail official business travel to Arizona to protest the state's new law tightening immigration enforcement.

Before the vote, Mayor Pro Tem Mike Martinez said, "The reasons for introducing this measure are two-fold. First and foremost, we want to ensure that we are not exposing city employees to risk by sending them into an uncertain and potentially hostile environment in Arizona."

"Second, we want to send a loud and clear message to the State of Arizona that our community stands in vehement opposition to racial discrimination in any form."

Metal detectors to be installed
The Texas Department of Public Safety on May 13 announced metal detectors soon will be installed at all Capitol entrances. Capitol visitors will be screened for metallic items that could be used as weapons, the DPS said. Capitol staffers and state employees will be able to bypass the screening by presenting their official identification.

Words from Faith & Grace

by Cecil R. Biggers, Lutheran Lay Minister



We celebrate a special event, the Ascension of our Lord, as we study Acts 1: 1-11, Psalm 93, Ephesians 1: 11-23, and Luke 24: 44-53.

Jesus explains to the disciples that they will be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now and that they will receive power to be witnesses for him to the ends of the earth. When he had said this, he was lifted up from them and a cloud took him out of their sight. As the disciples stare into the sky, two men in white robes ask, "Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up toward heaven? This Jesus who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven." We can see this as the end of Jesus' earthly ministry and the commencement of his rule in heaven. When Jesus speaks of the Holy Spirit some have translated this as "Comforter". Today we think of a 'comforter' as one who makes bad things seem not so bad. Yet the word used here actually comes from the Latin "fortis" which means bravery. The Spirit that the disciples are waiting to receive is the Holy Spirit which gives the believer the courage to face adversity, pain and sorrow without fear.

The Psalmist sings a song that, "the Lord is becoming King!" He identifies the Lord as the Creator of the world, the King whose rule is everlasting. The Lord defeats "Chaos" and establishes order. The Lord's edicts and commandments are forever.

Paul explains to the Ephesians that "we" have obtained an inheritance in Jesus Christ. Paul's "we" refers to the Jews who were the first to believe in Jesus. Paul tells them that "you also, when you heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and had believed in him, were marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit". This 'seal' of the Holy Spirit is the consideration (term of contract) of our redemption. When Paul uses "you", he is referring to the Gentiles. The remarkable thing is that Jew and Gentile who have been "sealed" by the Holy Spirit are all God's people. Paul then prays that they will receive wisdom and revelation to know the hope to which they have been called. Paul assures the Ephesians that Jesus The Christ rules in heavenly places and Jesus The Christ is the head of the Church. The Church is His body and is filled with the fullness of Him.

In Luke, Jesus explains to the disciples the scriptures that apply to him and that they are to be witnesses to the fulfillment of these scriptures. He leads the disciples from the upper room as far as Bethany. Jesus blesses the disciples and is then taken up from them. The disciples return to Jerusalem rejoicing and they bless God in the temple daily as they wait for the Holy Spirit.

May the Holy Spirit seal you that you may possess the courage to face adversity, pain and sorrow without fear and with the assurance that you are a child of God.

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- A speech defect, pl.
 - "I Thee ___"
 - Run away
 - Mussolini's motherland
 - "Little Miss Muffet, 'eating ___ curds'"
 - Part of USDA pyramid
 - Started or commenced
 - Time period
 - Planet path
 - *Child born on this day is fair of face
 - *Where little piggy shops
 - Set, as in supplies needed to build something
 - *Where the black sheep lived?
 - India's smallest state by area
 - Arrive
 - Beef or mutton fat, e.g.
 - Hops-drying kiln
 - *If it's not dark, this bird will be the clerk
 - Used as washing sponge
 - Footballer ___ Graham
 - Short, songlike poem
 - Move through a sieve
 - Nostradamus and the like
 - First-rate
 - *Rock-a-bye, baby; In the ___ top"
 - Famous tenor Caruso
 - Like Hans Christian Andersen's duckling
 - "To ___ is hunking"
 - Likelihood, as in a bet
 - *Back To The Future" actress
 - *Black sheep's wool recipient
 - *This doctor went to Gloucester
 - One born to Japanese immigrants
 - Mine deposit
 - Type of eel
 - NBA venue
 - One who plays for the University of Tennessee
 - Orphan of musical fame
 - Ball on a string
 - Unagi
 - Necessities
 - Ad ___
 - Individual unit
 - Asian food thickener
 - Bane of a pirate's life
 - Business broker
 - *Muffet's cheese-making byproduct
 - Poetic 'ever'
 - ___ queen
 - *The baker's man used it to prick the cake?
 - It's either attached or detached on people
 - Revise for publication
 - Boston time
 - Prom. e.g.
 - Circular island of coral
 - Salvador Dalí's product, e.g.
 - Containing iron
 - *Old Father Gander's ride
 - Related to oats
 - Daisy-like flower
 - American Indian of Yucatan
 - *Little kittens did this to their mittens
 - French river
 - It's made on a house for sale
 - *What Jack and Jill went to get
 - Aaron Spelling's daughter
 - *This Cole was a merry old soul
 - Yo-Yo Ma's instrument
 - Nova ___
 - *___ to Joy"
 - One who always agrees
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Happy Birthday!

May 20
Birthday - Donna Ralston, April Graham, Barbara Kenney, Ronny Smith, Cindy Scribner, Beatrice Ellsworth, Jacob Harbour, Vernon Gardner, Beatrice McCloy, Lanasa Washburn
Anniversary - M/M Steve Stedje, M/M Pete Davoff, M/M Donnie Davis, Richard & Donna Trantham, Shawn & Dynell Moore, Brooks & Debbie Beck

May 21
Birthday - Steven Foster, Holly Holt Key, Jenny Hart, Brad Johnson, Mae McLoughlin, Dennis Baker, Mike Kizzar, Carolyn McDaniel, Judy Vela, Faye Schmehr, Tracy Kirkpatrick, Veronica Gomez, Michael Quillin, Gaby Briones, James Martin
Anniversary - M/M Francisco Borunda

May 22
Birthday - Kaitlyn Poole, Sorrele Blevens, Geneva Eddleman, Tamra Gammion, Kathryn Gufford, Jo Copeland, Amy Gufford Seagler, Lacey Morris, Alan Shields, James Osbourne, Joe Garza, Maria Vela, Vickie Genn, Flossie Boyd, Cassie Myatt, Carla Woodington, Detsi Vera
Anniversary - Irvin & Helen Boyd, M/M Steve Reed, M/M Rex Reid

May 23
Birthday - Stefan Dorman, Clifford George, Brad Womble, Monet Lassiter, Scott Alfred, Lloyd Poole, Gladys Mitchum, David Collins, James Ooley, Bernie Olivare, Dorothea Keys
Anniversary - M/M Otho Gamil, M/M Tom Latta, M/M J.P. TeBeest, M/M Brent Stedje

May 24
Birthday - Roy Edwards, Steve Gross, Faye Harris, Patti Bellows, Wanda Jones, Betsy Martin, Kimberly Gross, Shirley Hefley, Manuel Ortiz, Billy Brown, Shane Sumner, Walter Goodknight, Chris Schmehr, Brittany Morris, Carson Williams, Jan Williamson
Anniversary - Earl & Trudi Goodheart, Pamela & Gary Cates, M/M Dwain Weller

May 25
Birthday - Brett Rudolph, Mrs. J.C. Rhea, Ozy Osbourne, Bart Baker, Waurayne Cope, Betty Uptergrove, Kara Lee, Becky Myers, Alfonso Munez, Kimberly Groves, Brandi Burch, Lynette

Campbell, Lindsey Wright, Josh Reed, Dan Wheelock
Anniversary - Andy & Sheila Watley, M/M James Terry, M/M Curtis Covington

May 26
Birthday - Garrett Gufford, Tessa Dawn Thoreson, Roger Buchanan, Gloria Arjona, Mike Owens, Don Savage, Marc Morris, G.A. Rodriguez, Michelle Robinson, Jason Varnon, Wanda Gift, Manda Michelle Lewis, Louis Miesner
Anniversary - Don & Teresa England, M/M Jesus Favella, M/M Nick Holt, Mark & Margy Schoenhals

May 27
Birthday - Jamie Casdorph, Rachele Holt, Andee Salmans, Julie Stedje, Chris Tomlinson, Julie Latta, Mary Ann George, Darrell West, Debbie Cook, Cindy Hendrick, Roy Black, Jim Myers, Ronnie Thompson, Gloria Perez, Lauren Williams, Bonnie Thompson, Christian Fisher
Anniversary - M/M Allen Davis, M/M James George, M/M Herb Hager, M/M Jerry Moore, Bobby & Kay Snider

May 28
Birthday - Randy Brown, Lee Schubert, Kevin Nelson, Ramiro Arjona Sr., Nita Barnes, Brandi Blodgett, Martin Ketron, Barbara Sharp, Connie Gammil, Vera Dominguez, Gloria Perez, Crystal Miller, Victoria Vela
Anniversary - M/M Sammy Don Jones, Jr. & Nita Barnes, Lewis & Dolores Moreno, Dr. & Mrs. Scot Martin

May 29
Birthday - Camile Miller, Dayton Edwards, Wilma Francis, Danny Dry, Wayne Groves, Jesus Espinosa, Jana Wright, Allen Alfred, Linda Pearson, Cody Thoms, Clint Schnell, Virginia Cates
Anniversary - M/M Stan Seagler, M/M Kevin Holt, M/M Gary Gufford

May 30
Birthday - Orvil Brumett, Sharon Cook, Patty Hudson, Lynanne Maize, Phillip Atwood, Kimberly Nelson, John Brinkley, Terri King, Ramero Arjona, Rick Holt, Bobby Lesley, Connie Ross, Marie Hernandez, Richard Paschel
Anniversary - M/M Matt Johnson, M/M David Tomlinson

Our Sympathy

C.L. "TOT" PIERCE
 GRUVER - C. L. Pierce, age 91, died Saturday, May 15, 2010. Graveside services were in the Gruver Cemetery at 11 a.m. on Tuesday May 18, with Cecil Biggers officiating. Burial was under arrangement of Boxwell Brothers Funeral Home of Spearman.
 C. L. Pierce was born on December 7, 1918 in Lamesa, Texas. He married Faneita Rogers August 6, 1936 in Pecos, Texas. They moved to Hitchland, Texas in 1948, then to Gruver in 1957 and have lived in Panhandle for the last six years. He worked for the Texas Highway Department until his retirement in 1979.
 He was a member of the Masonic Lodge #1326 A. F. & A. M past Master; had farmed in Arkansas and enjoyed hunting, fishing and camping.
 His parents: Sam and Birdie Pierce; wife: Faneita (1999); one brother and one sister precede him in death.
 Two sons: Frank W. Pierce of Pocatello, Idaho; Darrell Pierce of Dallas; one daughter: Totsie Clayton of White Deer, Texas; eleven grandchildren and 14 great grandchildren survive him.
 The family request memorials are to the American Diabetes Association, P.O. Box 50433, Amarillo, TX 79159 or one's favorite charity.

VIOLA THOMPSON
 GRUVER - Viola Thompson, 93, of Gruver passed away Thursday afternoon, May 13, 2010 at the Hansford Manor in Spearman, Texas.
 The daughter of John Wesley and Stella (Ritter) Wilkerson, she was born October 2, 1916 in Blanchard, Oklahoma. Viola was raised in the Blanchard area.
 Viola and Elmer Thompson were united in marriage on March 2, 1934 in Mangum, Oklahoma. The family moved to Gruver, Texas from Mangum in 1966 and she has been a resident since that time. She attended the Union Church in Spearman and loved spending time with her family, as well as sewing and crocheting.
 She was preceded in death by her husband, Elmer on October 27, 1985; her parents; three brothers and one grandson.
 Survivors include her seven children: Cecil Thompson, Bobby Thompson and Howard Thompson, all of Gruver, Pat Alexander of Hot Springs, Arkansas, Wanda and husband, Richard Beard of Pleasanton, Texas, Otis Thompson and wife, Towana of Bakersfield, California, and Fern and husband, Ronnie Harris of Bryan, Texas; 25 grandchildren; 51 great grandchildren; 35 great-great grandchildren; three sisters: Eunice Yandell, Lois Coleman and Margie Arnold; and one brother, Billy Wilkerson.
 Funeral services were conducted Wednesday afternoon, May 19th at 2:00 p.m. at the Gruver First Baptist Church with Pastor Scott Curry and Pastor Gary Gufford officiating. Interment followed in the Gruver Cemetery. Services were under the care of the Bunch - Roberts Funeral Home of Guyton.
 The body will lie in state at the Gruver First Baptist Church on Tuesday, May 18th, between the hours of 6 and 8:00 p.m., and on Wednesday until service time.
 The family suggests that memorials be made to the American Heart Association. Memorials will be accepted at the Bunch - Roberts Funeral Home, PO Box 1112, Guyton, OK 73942. Friends can sign the online guest book and leave condolences at www.bunchroberts.com.



Thank you
 The family of Charlie West would like to thank you for the prayers and calls during his illness, and the cards received in his passing.
 To the Hospital staff and doctors, and the Hospice staff and volunteers, thank you for the wonderful care that was given him.
 A thumbs up,
 Jean West; Darrell & Wanda West & Family;
 Christy & Don Esarey & Family

Thank you
 I would like to thank everyone who helped the band be able to travel to Branson. I would also like to thank everyone who supported us on to victory! We have had a great year!
 Sandy Cross,
 Gruver ISD Band Director

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Texas Crop & Weather
 The following specific livestock, crop and weather conditions were reported by Panhandle Extension directors: The weather was warm and dry early in the reporting period, then a cold front brought cooler temperatures and rain. The rain helped to replenish soil moisture that was lost earlier due to high winds. Most wheat was heading out and was good condition. Dryland wheat showed moisture stress. Producers continued to cut wheat for hay on the fields where the yield potential was not as high as originally hoped. Strong winds burned newly emerged corn, and some fields might have to be replanted. Growers were prepping fields for planting other spring crops. Rangeland was in good to excellent condition, and cattle gains were good.

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He has showed you, O man, what is good. And what does the LORD require of you? To act justly and to love mercy and to walk humbly with your God.
 Micah 6:8

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Medical Fund for Bruce Duncan

A medical fund has been established for Bruce Duncan at First National Bank, Spearman. If you would like to make a donation you may make a deposit with any teller or mail a donation to First National Bank, Bruce Duncan Medical Fund, PO Box 337, Spearman TX 79081.

O'Loughlin Center Hours

The O'Loughlin Center is open for the following hours: Monday-Thursday, 6:00 a.m.-8:00 p.m.; Friday, 6:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m.; and Saturday, 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. (noon). For more information, contact Jada Breeden, Manager, The O'Loughlin Center, 502 S. Brandt, PO Box 733, Spearman TX 79081, 806-659-3030.

Spearman ISD Community Resource Program

Spearman ISD Community Resource Program is considering starting beginner and intermediate computer classes. I am trying to get an indication of interest around the area for these classes. Please send an email or call the office to let me know if you would be interested in one of these classes. (Cindy Blackman - 659-3233 or cindy.blackman@region16.net)

Kids Kamp - Lynx Basketball Camp

Kids Kamp will host a Lynx Basketball Camp June 1-4 from 1-5 p.m. in the Lynx Varsity Gym. The cost of the camp is \$60 and includes a T-shirt. Students will learn the fundamentals of the game, learn the Lynx philosophy, and learn and develop a sense of family and pride. A competition will be held every day. The instructor is Coach Josh White. To register, call Cindy Blackman at the Community Resource Office, 806-659-3233, email to cindy.blackman@region16.net, or pick up an application from any school office or the Hansford County Library.

Kids Kamp - Lynxette Basketball Camp

Kids Kamp will host a Lynxette Basketball Camp June 1-4 from 9 a.m.-12 noon in the Lynx Varsity Gym. The cost of the camp is \$50 and includes a T-shirt. This camp is open to kids up to 9th grade and will be coached by Coach Jr. Ashmore. To register, call Cindy Blackman at the Community Resource Office, 806-659-3233, email to cindy.blackman@region16.net, or pick up an application from any school office or the Hansford County Library.

Softball Game To Feature Fire Department and EMS

Come out and support your local Fire and EMS departments. The Fire Department and EMS will meet in a softball game on Saturday, May 22, 2010 6:00 p.m. at the baseball park. Donations will be accepted and will go toward expansion of the Fire and EMS stations.

Gruver Athletic Banquet

To lessen the impact on high school finals, the Gruver High School Athletic Banquet has been moved to May 26th. It will be at 6:30 and tickets will be 10 dollars each.

Gospel Music Night

A Gospel Music Night featuring Country Gospel, Praise Songs, and Bluegrass Gospel by The Pitterle Family: Paul and Jody, Travis, Eli & Bailey will be held on Sunday, May 23, 2010 at 7 p.m. at the First Christian Church of Texhoma, 3rd & Pecan Street, Texhoma, OK (Call 580 423-7668 for more information.) Everyone is invited to come be a part of sharing God's plan of Salvation to the people of Ukraine. Love offerings & freewill donations will be accepted. All money collected will be used to help pay Travis Pitterle's way to join a group of Christians that will travel to the Ukraine to share the Gospel in music, testimony, and to help wherever God plans.

Hansford Golf Club Hosts Tuesday Night Scrambles

The Hansford County Golf Club has begun their Tuesday Night Scrambles. Tee-time is at 6 p.m. sharp. The cost is \$10 per person. Teams are drawn. For more information, or to sign up, call 659-2233.

SHS All School Reunion July 2 & 3, 2010

The Spearman High School All-School Reunion will be held July 2nd & 3rd, 2010. If you have information regarding a specific class reunion, please contact the Hansford County Reporter-Statesman. We will list the specific information for each class reunion, as well as the information for the All-School Reunion in the newspaper as we receive it. Information may be mailed to: Reporter-Statesman, 213 Main Street, Spearman TX 79081; e-mailed to: reporter@spearmanreporter.com; faxed: 806-398-9080; or phoned in: 806-659-3434.

SPWA Seeks Volunteers

The Southwest Pioneer Windmill Association is seeking the next generation of volunteers to continue the work of restoring and maintaining the windmills of the SPWA. If you have an interest in windmills and their upkeep, and/or maintenance of the park, you are needed. For information, call Dwayne Mitchell, 270-0291 or Don Reed 330-0745.

Fire Department Donations

Persons wishing to make donations to the Fire Departments in Hansford County may do so at the following addresses: Spearman Fire Dept., Box 37, Spearman TX 79081; Gruver Fire Dept., Box 947, Gruver TX 79040 or Morse Fire Dept., Box 28, Morse TX 79062

Youth Writing Contest

Panhandle Professional Writers has announced its 2010 Youth Writing Contest. The competition is open to any student in grades three through twelve. Entries must be postmarked no later than April 1, 2010. Complete rules and entry forms may be found online at www.panhandleprowriters.org. There are three age groups: grades three through five, six through eight, and nine through twelve. Students may enter as many times as they like in these three different categories: short story, poetry, and memoir. All entries will be judged by published authors. First, second, and third place winners in each category will be announced in July. Anyone wanting additional information can e-mail Vicki Schoen at PPWYouthcontest@gmail.com. Panhandle Professional Writers is open to writers at all levels and of all genres.

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Pioneer King & Queen

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When barely eighteen, Irvin enlisted in the Army and after basic training he was on to Las Vegas, NV to be trained as a tail gunner on a B-17. His career holds right alongside of many others of our country's soldiers. Assigned to a crew of 10 men, they ended up being stationed in Foggia, Italy. Before the war ended, they flew 13 missions. This was the 15th Air Force 99th Bomb Group, 347th Squadron. On a tough mission in Yugoslavia they encountered a lot of flack. A 2x4 board on the floor in the tail where Irvin was, saved him from a serious injury. He had his knee on the board when it was hit by a piece of flack. Upon returning to base, Irvin dug the piece of metal out to keep. Irvin made friends with a fellow from Brooklyn who worked at Squadron Headquarters. Thanks to him, Irvin was able to travel all over Northern Italy and Switzerland, visiting Rome several times. He also attended school at the University of Florence for six weeks. Being discharged in 1946, Irvin returned home and back to work in the Davis Service Station.

Betty Jean Clement came with her parents, Everett Dave and Carrie Gatlin Clement, along with three older children, from Mobitte. Betty was just a toddler at this time. Betty Jean and her siblings all attended and graduated from Spearman schools. In the spring of 1946, she and Irvin began dating, and they were married in November of that year. Their first child, Phyliss, was born in December 1947.

The young father worked diligently at various occupations, before he began custom farming - plowing for 50¢ an acre. (How many can remember what farm prices were back then?) Irvin bought a small herd of cows, and upon selling them, started running cattle on wheat pasture and grass for a number of years His father-in-law, Everett Clement, leased Irvin land, and in time he started farming for himself.

Betty Jean and Irvin had now added to their family - Mike was born in 1951 and Jerry Pat in 1955. (Mike passed away in 2001.)

Betty and Irvin, members of The First Christian Church, serve in several capacities - summer Bible School, other youth groups, Deacon and whatever else is needed to sustain the church.

Betty Jean was recognized as the Citizen of the Year in 2008. No better honor can be stated of a worthwhile citizen than was said by son Jerry Pat, daughter Phyliss Collins and grandchildren. To borrow a quote, "I think about all the time she has graciously given to the hospital and hospice She is one of the most caring, unselfish people I know. I also think about all of the people she has prepared meals for and invited into her home for holiday celebrations. She has always put other people's needs above her own."

Take time to come by Saturday, May 22, 2010 at 9:30 a.m. at the Zulu building at The Stationmaster's House Museum to visit and have coffee and cookies before the parade.

NARO Texas Town Hall Meeting

Public notice is hereby given that on Thursday, May 27, 2010 at 6:30 p.m. in The Midland Technology Center, 3200 West Cuthbert Avenue, Midland TX, a meeting of the Non-Profit National Association of Royalty Owners- NARO-TX will be held.

The speaker for the event will be W. Hoxie Smith, a certified Professional Geologist licensed in the State of Texas. His presentation will address the current and future energy environment as it pertains to mineral and royalty interest owners, which will be beneficial to NARO members and guests. He has served as director of Midland College's Petroleum Professional Development Center since 2003. The Center provides continuing education classes for energy professionals. Mr. Smith has presented at national conventions of the American Association of Petroleum Geologists, the Society of Exploration Geophysicists and the Society of Petroleum Engineers.

NARO is a non-profit organization and admission is free and refreshments will be provided at the meeting. For more information contact: John Tricee, TX-NARO Director(214)797-0988johntricee@yahoo.com ; Candice Brewer, TX-NARO President -(325)942-2237; candice.brewer@angelo.edu; Jerry Simmons, NARO Executive Director-(800)558-0557; naro@NARO-US.org.

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- Kaylee Miesner & Broc Carter - 6/12
- Beth Yanke & Nathen Schenk - 6/12
- Callie Hargis & Brian Hensley - 6/19
- Jessica Cornell & Hunter Beville - 6/19
- Bertha Ortiz & Osiel Flores - 6/19
- Kaela Parnell & Adam Cherry - 6/26
- Michelle Waide & Jarick Howard - 6/27
- Sejal Patel & Gerardo Hernandez - 7/12 (wedding)
- Adrienne Hood & Kevin Baker - TBA
- Laura McCloy & Daniel Harris - TBA
- Esmerelda Bernal & Heriberto Navarrete
- Sara (George) & Nicholas Wright
- Ashlee Flowers & David Fox
- Kaylee Holt & Trel Etbauer
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Baby Registry

- Randi (Atwood) & DJ Warrick (Boy) - 5/22
- Brianne & John Thomas (Girl) - 5/22
- Cara (Hathaway) & Seth McAfee (Girl) - 6/12
- Annie & Brandon Gilbert (Boy) - 7/3
- Holly (Hart) & Marcus McLean
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SHS 2010 All-School Reunion

SHS Ex-Students
The Spearman High School 2010 All-School Reunion will be held Saturday, July 3rd beginning at 8:30 a.m. at Spearman High School. The All-School Program will begin at 10 a.m. A barbecue lunch, catered by Hungry Cowboy, will be held after the program in the High School Cafeteria.

The O'Loughlin Center has also been rented for Saturday evening. All Ex-Students are invited to meet there for more fellowship.

The Ex-Students' Association needs your help. In order for us to make plans for the reunion, we need anyone who is planning to attend to RSVP as soon as possible with your updated info (name, mailing address, phone number, e-mail, etc.).

Your \$10 dues are also very important to the Association. The money from dues pays for a multitude of expenses: postage and supplies for mailings; janitorial services, flowers, refreshments, entertainment and supplies for the school assembly; rental of the O'Loughlin Center and various other expenses. The Ex-Students' Association also gives a scholarship each year to a \$500 senior graduate, which also comes from the dues.

Please send in your dues (even if you will be unable to attend the reunion) to: SHS Ex-Students Association, PO Box 132, Spearman TX 79081. Please include your name and class year in any correspondence. For more information, you may call Claude or Jo Nell Sheets at (806) 659-2085.

If you have information regarding a specific class reunion, please contact the Hansford County Reporter-Statesman. We will list the specific information for each class reunion, as well as the information for the All-School Reunion in the newspaper as we receive it. Information may be mailed to: Reporter-Statesman, 213 Main Street, Spearman TX 79081; e-mailed to: reporter@spearmanreporter.com; faxed: 806-398-9080; or phoned in: 806-659-3434.

All Spearman High School Ex Students
A Dance/Social will be held on Saturday, July 3rd at The O'Loughlin Center (502 S. Brandt, Spearman) from 8 p.m.-12 midnight. A live band will perform and a concession stand will be available. The cost is \$10 per person. (BYOB)

Classes of 1943-1953
The SHS Classes of 1943-1953 will meet on Friday, July 2nd at the Palo Duro Dam Shelter. A catered meal will be served at 6:30 p.m. The cost will be \$10.00 each. Bring your lawn chairs and come visit with your fellow classmates! For more information, or to RSVP, call Margarette Evans at 659-2165.

Class of 1960
The SHS Class of 1960 will hold our class reunion on July 1, 2010 at the Country Barn in Amarillo starting at 5 p.m. The next day we will travel to Spearman for the all school reunion. Contact Mickey Davis Gribble at mickeydg@comcast.net, Zack Fisher at zbfmem@windstream.net or, or Penny Dollar Cupp at cupstr4@aol.com for additional information.

Classes of 1960-1966
The SHS Classes of 1960-1966 will be meeting at The Hungry Cowboy on Friday night, July 2, 2010. The cost of the meal and other things will be \$12.00 per person. (The meal will start at 6:30 p.m.) We will need your RSVP by June 15, 2010 to Sharon Cook or Mary Dixon at 659-3711 or Diane Maxwell at 659-2987. Thank you and we look forward to seeing everyone at the Reunion.

Classes of 1979-1980
The SHS Classes of 1979 & 1980 (and all other misfits!) will meet on Friday, July 2nd at 6 p.m. at Palo Duro Lake (camping spaces 10-14) for a spaghetti dinner (spaghetti and tea will be provided). Please bring your lawn chairs! To RSVP, call Rhonda Robertson at 580-497-6133. (To make reservations for campsites at Palo Duro Lake, call 806-882-4401.)

SHS Classes of 1999
The Class of 1999 will have two class only events during the all-school reunion. All students from the Class of 1999 are invited to attend both events. (If you can't make both, please come to one of the events!) Please RSVP to Kristin (Beedy) Whitehead, kristinjan@hotmail.com.

On Friday, July 2nd, the Class of 1999 will meet at 7 p.m. at The Headquarters (217 Main Street, Spearman). The cost is \$20 per person (adults only). Price includes dinner and tip - salad, steak, baked potato, dinner roll, dessert and water/iced tea. (If you would like something other than water or iced tea, feel free to bring it along.) Please pay in advance to: Jess Anne Lusby (Mrs. Michael Lusby), 12950 FM 760, Spearman TX 79081.

On Saturday, July 3rd, the Class of 1999 will meet at the home of Michael and Jess Anne Lusby, 12950 FM 760, Spearman, at 6:30 p.m. Dinner will be potluck, so please bring something to share. Soft drinks will be provided. (If you would like anything other than soft drinks, feel free to bring that along.) Children are welcome. If you have any questions, please e-mail Kristin (Beedy) Whitehead, at kristinjan@hotmail.com.

SHS Classes of 2000
The Class of 2000 will have our get together on Saturday, July 3, 2010 from 5-8 p.m. in the backyard of Marsha & Larry Murphy's home (1114 Bernice). Hamburgers & hot-dogs will be on the grill, and drinks will be BYOB. Please feel free to bring significant others. Please RSVP to either Kathryn Murphy (kathryn.t.murphy@gmail.com) or Amber (Ramon) King (amber_ramon@hotmail.com).

Also, we are still in need of contact information for some of our classmates. So, if you have not already provided your current information to either Kathryn or Amber, please contact us so we may include you on our contact list. Also, if you have any information about other classmates, please pass that along as well.

Dollar General Literacy Foundation Awards Summer Reading Grant to Hansford County Library

The Dollar General Literacy Foundation announced today that it has awarded a \$ 800 summer reading grant to Hansford County Library. The grant will support Hansford County Library's summertime literacy and reading programs.

"The Dollar General Literacy Foundation is inspired by the work Hansford County Library is doing to help children continue their education and improve their literacy skills during the summer," said Rick Dreiling, Dollar General's chairman and CEO. "Summer reading not only helps children continue their education, but helps them discover the joys of reading books purely for fun."

The summer reading grant aims to help libraries and nonprofit organizations with the implementation or expansion of summer reading programs.

To be eligible for this grant, programs must target Pre-K through 12th grade students who are new readers, below grade level readers or readers with learning disabilities.

Since the Dollar General Literacy Foundation's inception in 1993, it has provided grants to nonprofit

organizations dedicated to the advancement of literacy. The Foundation has awarded more than \$47.2 million in grants across Dollar General's 35-state market area. These grants provide program support to nonprofit efforts to reach low-level literacy adults and their families. In addition to cash grants, Dollar General's in-store Learn to Read brochures have offered free literacy referrals to more than 53,000 people.

The Dollar General Lit-

eracy Foundation is currently accepting applications for youth literacy and back-to-school grants. To complete an application, please visit the Serving Others section of www.dollargeneral.com. Proposals must be submitted online by May 21, 2010.

For more information on the Dollar General Literacy Foundation or for a complete list of grant recipients, visit www.dollargeneral.com.

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Paxil, a drug given to millions for depression, has been linked to serious birth defects including Atrial & Ventricular septal heart defects (hole in heart wall), PPHN, serious lung injuries, club foot, congenital heart defects & cranial skull defects. In December 2005, the FDA issued a Black Box Warning concerning serious birth defects to infants of mothers taking Paxil while pregnant. If you took Paxil during pregnancy and your child was born with a birth defect, you and your child may be entitled to compensation. * Cases accepted for children born (1992-2006)

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O'Loughlin Center Seeks Survey Input

In order to provide programming and services to fit the needs of our community, we ask that you complete this survey/assessment. With your input, your O'Loughlin Center will be able to adapt to meet the needs of our patrons.

You may return the assessment in several ways: by email: oloughlin@ptsi.net; by mail: P. O. Box 733, Spearman, TX 79081; or if you prefer anonymity you can return to 502 S. Brandt in a blank envelope in a box on the front desk.

Thank you for your participation!
The O'Loughlin Center, 502 S. Brandt, PO Box 733, Spearman TX 79081, 806-659-3030, oloughlin@ptsi.net

Membership and Community Assessment

Your name has been selected at random from a list of residents and O'Loughlin Center Members to receive this questionnaire. Its purpose is to evaluate the level of local interest in various health, fitness, education, and personal development programs.

There is no need to sign the questionnaire unless you are interested in volunteering or helping with any of the activities. You may return via email to: oloughlin@ptsi.net, mail to P. O. Box 733, or if you prefer anonymity, return the questionnaire in a blank envelope or place in box at the reception desk in the O'Loughlin Center. Please return by **May 24, 2010**.

Below is a list of programs and activities. Please indicate both those activities that you or members of your household are currently involved in and those that you or members of your household would be interested in.

	Currently involved satisfied	Currently involved not entirely satisfied	Not currently involved very interested	
Aerobic fitness for youth	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Comments
Aerobic fitness for adults	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Aerobic fitness for older adults (50+)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Strength and flexibility training for youth	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Strength and flexibility training for adults	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Strength & flexibility training for older adults	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Weight reduction	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Nutrition education	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Smoking cessation	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Stress management	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
CPR/First Aid Training	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
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Sports leagues for youth	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Sports leagues for adults	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
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Soccer	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Volleyball	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Racquetball	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Karate/Tae Kwan Do	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Weight training	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Dancing lessons	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Parenting classes	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Parent-child fitness classes	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Parent-child recreational clubs	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Youth recreational clubs	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Teen recreational clubs	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Senior recreational clubs	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Parent's Night Out	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
After school activities	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Photography classes	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Art classes	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Fall Prevention/Stability Classes	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Self Defense	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Quilting and/or Quilting Classes	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Cooking Classes	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Floral Arrangement Classes	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Gardening/Herb Classes	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Canning Classes	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Cooking Classes	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

Finally, these last few questions are about you and your family, and are asked in order to help classify your answers with those given by other people taking part in this survey.

Are you: Female Male Age: 19 or Under 20-39 40-59 60+

Are you currently a member of the O'Loughlin/Golden Spread Center? Yes No

Have you ever been a member of the O'Loughlin/Golden Spread Center? Yes No

If you previously were a member:
What year (s) were you a member?
How many years were you a member?

Why did you decide to leave?

<input type="checkbox"/> I moved, it was no longer close to where I work or live	<input type="checkbox"/> Not enough time, lost motivation, forgot to renew
<input type="checkbox"/> Too crowded	<input type="checkbox"/> Too expensive
<input type="checkbox"/> Not clean	<input type="checkbox"/> Unavailability of specific program, which one?
<input type="checkbox"/> Not well maintained	<input type="checkbox"/> Unfriendly staff
<input type="checkbox"/> Unavailability of particular equipment or facility	<input type="checkbox"/> Poor instruction
<input type="checkbox"/> Inconvenient scheduling	<input type="checkbox"/> Other

Are there any programs or activities that we don't offer that you would like to see added in the coming year?

Would you be willing to teach or instruct any class or activity? Yes No

If so, what class or activity?

Would you like to know more about volunteer opportunities here? Yes No

If so, please provide your name and phone number?

Other comments or suggestions:

Thank you very much for your assistance. Please return this survey to the O'Loughlin Center via email oloughlin@ptsi.net, mail to P. O. Box 733, or if you prefer anonymity, return the questionnaire in a blank envelope to the O'Loughlin Center 502 S. Brandt or place in box at the reception desk in the O'Loughlin Center. Please return by **May 24, 2010**.

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Crane, Gibson Set New School Records

Makenzie Crane, Shelley Gibson, and Madison McLain travelled to Austin and competed in the Class 1A State Track and Field Meet on Friday, May 14th.

"All three of these young ladies competed extremely well," said Coach Mica Been. "They represented their team, school, and community with pride and honor. I am so proud of and for each of these young ladies and their accomplishments. They worked diligently all season to improve each and every day.

"It is something to look out and see only eight girls from the entire state on the track or runway," continued Coach Been, "with one is wearing a Lady Hound uniform."

Makenzie Crane took 4th place in the Pole Vault. This year Makenzie vaulted her personal best and set a new school record - 10' 6".

Shelley Gibson came in 5th in the 3200 meter run. In Austin, Shelley broke her own record and set a new school record - 11:55.58.

Madison McLain was 6th in the 400 meter dash. In Austin, Madison ran her personal best of the season - 1:01.27.

When you see these girls congratulate them on their outstanding accomplishments!

National Society of Collegiate Scholars Welcomes Winegarner

Brett Winegarner of Spearman has accepted membership in The National Society of Collegiate Scholars (NSCS). Brett will be honored during in Inductive Convocation this fall on the campus of Texas Tech University.

"NSCS is more than just a symbol of academic achievement. Membership gives students access to a number of amazing benefits including career and networking resources, scholarships, travel, and service projects both on campus and in the community," says Stephen E. Loflin, NSCS executive director.

NSCS is a member of the Association of College Honor Societies and is the nation's only interdisciplinary honors organization for first- and second-year college students. Membership is by invitation only. NSCS has more than 675,000 lifetime members and 250 chapters in all 50 states, the District of Columbia and Puerto Rico.

For more information about The National Society of Collegiate Scholars, please call 202-265-9000, or visit NSCS' Web site nscs.org.



Farrar Named Cross Country Athlete of the Year

Farrar won individual district and regional championships and led the Lynxettes to the Class 1A state title. She finished fourth overall at state, but the team finish was more important.

"She is always team-first," Spearman coach Starla Whiteley said. "She was more proud of the team championship than what she did individually."

"She really came into her own this year. She gained a lot of confidence and ended up leading us."

Farrar, along with the other Athletes of the Year, will be honored at the Happy State Bank Athletes of the Year Banquet on Thursday, May 20th at 7 p.m. at the Amarillo Civic Center. Twenty athletes of the year, eight scholar athletes, two coaches of the year and two overall athletes of the year will be honored.

FCCLA Attends Region I Meeting



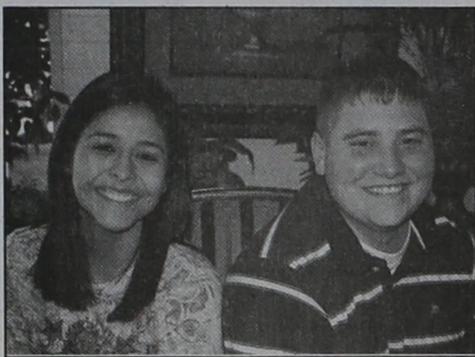
Six members of the Gruver FCCLA (Family, Career, and Community Leaders of America) Chapter attended the Region 1 Meeting on Feb. 12th -13th in Lubbock. Region 1 has 67 counties that encompass schools from the top of the Texas Panhandle all the way to El Paso. Brandi Brown was elected to serve as the Region 1 Vice-President of Records. Brandi had to present a speech before the House of Delegates and answer a fact and thought question. Once the thirteen candidates were determined, the students were interviewed for office placement. Brandi will participate in a week of training in June at Camp Allen in Navasoto, with all of the other FCCLA Regional and State officers to prepare for the upcoming school year. Brandi is a sophomore at GHS and is the daughter of Buster and Lisa Brown.



The other five students competed in the LEO (Leadership Educational Opportunity) contest that covered the information in the FCCLA Creed, Mission Statement and Purposes. Depending on how they scored they earned a gold, silver or bronze certificate and medal. Yesenia Mendoza brought home the gold; Fatima Borunda, Carmen Dahl and Mariela Mundo brought home the silver; and Juliana Trejo brought home the bronze.

Congratulations to these students for going "Beyond the Limits" and for doing a great job of representing the Gruver FCCLA Chapter, Gruver High School and their families and the community.

SHS Students of the Month



The March Students of the Month at Spearman High School are seniors, Whitney Maestas and Zack Hughes.

Whitney is the daughter of Art and Teresa Maestas. She has two older brothers, Art and Aaron Maestas, and one beautiful nephew, Braeden. Whitney has been active in National Honor Society - 3 years, Big Brothers/Big Sisters of the Texas Panhandle - 3 years, Student Council - 4 years, Spearman Lynxette Basketball - 3 years, Spearman Lynxette Cross Country - 4 years, Spearman Lynxette Track - 3 years, Cheerleading - 1 year, UIL Academics - 2 years. Whitney has served as a class officer for three years - currently serving as the Senior Class Vice-President, was named the Top Student of the Year in English III and Multimedia. She also placed 4th in UIL mathematics in 2009 and qualified for regionals in 2010 as a member of the mathematics team. In her spare time, Whitney enjoys hanging out with friends, going to see her nephew, attending the Torch youth group, getting manicures and pedicures, and just having fun!! Her future plans include attending West Texas A&M University and majoring in Education. Whitney states the best thing about Spearman is, "the support you get from the community." The best thing about Spearman High School is, "everyone knows everyone." Whitney's most influential teachers during her school years are Ms. Beckee Baker and Ms. Sandra Blankenship.

Zack is the son of John and Katrina Hughes. He has one younger brother, Zane Hughes. He is the grandson of Kenny and Patricia Bratton. Zack is active in Spearman Lynx Varsity Football and Track, National Honor Society, and Big Brothers/Big Sisters of the Texas Panhandle. Zack has been named Football Academic All-District, Football Academic All-State Honorable Mention by the Texas High School Coaches Association, and was named the Big Brothers/Big Sisters Volunteer of the Month in October 2008. In his spare time, Zack enjoys fishing, hunting, lifting weights, hanging out with friends and family, and playing sports. Zack's future plans include attending West Texas A&M University and earning a bachelors degree in Wildlife Management. Zack states the best thing about Spearman is, "I like Spearman because it is a small town and everyone here is friendly. I like it a lot because I have lived here my whole life and I will always call it 'home.'" Zack says the best thing about Spearman High School is, "I really enjoy my job as an office aide with Tammy Kay Batton, Rhonda Baker, and Krista Baird." Zack's most influential teachers during his school years are Mr. Verlan Winegarner and Coach Brian Mancini.

Congratulations to Whitney and Zack on being named the Spearman High School March Students of the Month.

May 2010 Events

20 - Spearman 5th Grade Field Trip to Palo Duro Canyon; GHS Baccalaureate Practice, 1 p.m., Auditorium; SHS BIGS End-of-School Party, Lynx Den; PMCID Awards Assembly, 2:45 p.m., Auditorium; SJH BIGS Party, 3:30 p.m.

21 - TAKS Testing Make-Up Sessions; GHS Senior Trip; GISD Teacher In-Service/No Students; Spearman 6th Grade Field Trip to Lake Fryer; Spearman 8th Grade Trip to OKC; PMCID Elementary Sings at Hansford Manor

22 - GHS Senior Trip; Big Brothers Big Sisters Fun Run at Purple Park, 9 a.m., Spearman; Heritage Days, Spearman

23 - SHS Baccalaureate Practice, 4 p.m., SHS Auditorium; SHS Sr. Group Pictures, 5 p.m., SHS Cafeteria; SHS Baccalaureate, 7 p.m., SHS Auditorium; GHS Baccalaureate, 7 p.m., Gruver Methodist Church

24-26 - Spearman Elementary Early Release for Parent Conferences, 12:30 p.m.

24 - PMCID Elementary AR Trip, Stinnett

25 - GHS Finals (2nd, 4th & 6th); SISD Finals; Pringle-Morse 8th Grade Graduation, 7 p.m.

26 - GHS Finals (3rd, 5th & 7th); SISD Finals (SHS 1A, 2A, 3A); Spearman 8th Grade Graduation Practice, 1 p.m.; PMCID Last Day of School; PM 8th Grade Field Trip to Six Flags

27 - GHS Finals (1st & 8th); SISD Finals (SHS 1B, 2B, 3B); Spearman Kindergarten Graduation, 8:30 a.m., Gus Birdwell Elementary; Spearman 1st Grade Assembly, 9:45 a.m., Gus Birdwell Elementary; Spearman 8th Grade Graduation Practice, 11:15 a.m., SHS Auditorium; GHS Graduation Practice, 1 p.m., Auditorium; Spearman 8th Grade Graduation, 6:30 p.m., SHS Auditorium; Gruver 8th Grade Graduation, 8 p.m., Auditorium

28 - Spearman 1st, 2nd & 3rd Grade Awards Assembly, 8:30 a.m., Gus Birdwell Elementary; Spearman 4th & 5th Grade Awards Assembly, 9:45 a.m., Gus Birdwell Elementary; SISD Finals (SHS 4th & 5th Periods); GHS Graduation Practice, 9 a.m., Auditorium; SHS Graduation Practice, 10:30 a.m., SHS Auditorium; GISD School Out & Busses Run, 12:30 p.m.; SISD School Out & Busses Run, 1 p.m.; SHS Graduation, 7 p.m., SHS Auditorium; GHS Graduation, 8 p.m., Auditorium; SHS Project Graduation, 10 p.m.-6 a.m.

31 - Memorial Day Holiday

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 Bids will be opened on Monday, June 14, 2010 during the Commissioners' Court meeting in the Law Library of the Hansford County Courthouse, Spearman, Texas. Meeting will begin at 10:00 a.m.
 Hansford County reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids.
 Benny Wilson
 Hansford County Judge
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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING THE CITY OF SPEARMAN TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE TEXAS CAPITAL FUND PROGRAM

The City of Spearman will hold a public hearing at 5:05 P.M. on Tuesday, May 25, 2010, at City Hall in regards to the submission of an application to the Texas Department of Agriculture to utilize Texas Capital Fund (TCF) money for infrastructure improvements to the City of Spearman. The application will be made available for review on Thursday, June 3, 2010, 9:00 A.M. to 12:00 P.M. and 1:00 P.M. to 5:00 P.M. at City Hall in the City Manager's office. City Hall is located at 30 Southwest Court, Spearman, Texas 79081. The City encourages citizens to participate in the development of this TCF application and to make their views known at this

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All bids received prior to the bid closing are to be opened and read aloud in the Hansford County Courthouse @ 16 Northwest Court in Spearman, Texas at 11:00 A.M. On Friday June 11th, 2010.
 Plans, Bid Packages and Specifications are available and may be acquired from the Construction Manager: Grimes and Associates, Consulting Engineers, L.P. 21103 FM 179 Wolforth, TX 79382 (806) 863-2462
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Two antelope on the Palo Duro River Authority.

Lake Level--May 18, 2010--15.11 feet (-0.14)

Jim's report is from Tuesday, so that gives us a chance to mention 2 rains. Last Friday's rain showed .85 inch, and the Monday night one was only a third of an inch. However, the forecast is for more rain.

Antelope have been in the area for some time, but the picture of the antelope is of the first time Jim had seen them on the PDRA property. The fawns are born in May and June. Hidden the first week, the young are then up running

with their mothers. By the time the fawns are a month to six weeks old, the does are forming small herds. I am curious if the fawns are spotted.

On Thursday a group from the Plemons grade school at Stinnett enjoyed a day at the Park. On Saturday scouts from Guymon, Booker, and Perryton did a Cleanup at the Lake. It had been postponed due to weather. Some of the troops still could not come, but the ones that came did a great job. In appreciation, they were fed hotdogs at the shelter. Sunday afternoon the Spearman Church of Christ had the shelter for fellowship and food.

Ramon Cantu comments that he is seeing more birds now. Watch for the blue grosbeaks, cardinals, blue jays, Mississippi kites, and orioles.

As many as 10 of the white pelicans have been seen at a time. Cormorants and buzzards are plentiful, and the bald eagle is still being observed.

Jim's only fish story was about the carp in the Lake. This is the time of the year they spawn. When the water is calm, he has been observing them near the banks in small circles with their mouths together.

Indians Obtain Horses

The native American horses had died off thousands of years before a different breed of horses were brought back by the Spanish conquistadors to Florida and Mexico. I had learned that when Coronado made his trip from Mexico up through the Panhandle in 1540, the Indians had stolen horses from him and started their own horse herds. Now I read that this is no longer considered to be true. Most of the experts think that by 1680 when Spanish rancheros had been settling New Mexico, particularly around Santa Fe and Taos, they had thousands of horses along with their sheep.

The nearby Indians were forced into slavery and learned to ride and tend to horses. The government decreed no Indian was allowed to own a horse. The Indian Revolt of 1680 drove many of the Spaniards out for fifteen years. During this period many of the horses were left behind. The Indians of the Pueblos were more interested in the sheep, but the Utes, Apaches, and Comanches became horse people at this time.



Gruver Elementary Raises Money for Red Cross

It was an exciting day at Gruver Elementary today, Friday, May 14, 2010, when the students presented the Hansford County Red Cross with a check for over \$2000. The money was raised through a Walk-A-Thon event held at Gruver Elementary, sponsored by their PE teacher, Mrs. Spivey.



The Police Chief Pyne Gregory and the Gruver Police Department celebrated National Police Week with a cookout for all Hansford County law enforcement officials. Officers from Hansford County Sheriff's Office, Spearman Police Department, and also dispatchers from Hansford County Sheriff's Office came together in remembrance of all officers who have fallen in the line of duty, and to give thanks for the sacrifice of those officers. Hamburgers and hot-dogs were enjoyed by about 30 people (officers, friends, and family).



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- Texas 4-H Golf Challenge - June 17 in Lubbock (register by May 28)
- State Youth Water Camp July 11-15 at Monahans (apply by May 21)
- Texas 4-H Outdoor Challenge - June 17-18 at Brownwood State 4-H Center (register May 21)
- District 1 4-H Photography Contest for age 9-13 (entries due in County office by June 25)
- 4-H Green Out at Texas Rangers game - June 5 (purchase tickets by May 21)
- Baby Sitters Workshop - June 8, 9:30 - 12:00 at Spearman High School
- Sewing Workshop - June 16, 9 - 12:00 at Spearman High School
- Kids in the Kitchen - Batter Up cooking camp - June 24 at Spearman High School

For detailed information, please call the County Extension Office 806-659-4130.

Children's Fishing Tournament

The Wolf Creek Improvement Board will be hosting a Children's Fishing Tournament at Lake Fryer on Saturday, June 5, 2010.

Registration will begin at 8:00 AM at the Pavilion located east of the Lobo Restaurant. There will be a \$1.00/contestant registration fee with all proceeds dedicated for improvements to the lake. A limited number of fishing poles and t-shirts will be provided. However, last year we had more contestants than fishing poles so anyone who has a fishing pole is encouraged to bring theirs as backup !!

Saturday is a free fishing day for all ages so no permits will be needed. The tournament ends at 12 noon with prizes awarded at 1 p.m.

Prizes will be awarded in three age groups: Ages 3-6, Ages 7-10, and Ages 11-14. Additional "All Ages" prizes will be awarded for Largest Fish, Smallest Fish, Ugliest Fish, First Turtle, Most Unusual Thing Found In The Park, and the Contestant Who Traveled The Furthest.

For further information please contact Kay Allison at 806-228-5338 or Jan Hickey at 806-435-3249

Heritage Days

Heritage Days Schedule of Events May 22, 2010

Saturday, May 22nd

- 8:30am Big Brothers, Big Sisters 5k run & family fun walk located at Purple Park (walking trail) call 330-1319 info
- 9:30am- Old Settlers Reunion @ Stationmasters House Museum
- 11:00am-Parade will begin at Alco parking lot Booth's will open for business
- 11:30am - Registration begins for the Pokey the Clown Jr. Ranch Rodeo between Courthouse & City Hall
- 12:00pm-Boyscouts will be cooking hamburgers and hotdogs @ the Courthouse 659-2554 info
- 12:00pm Skate Board competition at Palo Duro Skate Park
- 2:00 - 6:00pm Little league games at Dear Park
- 6:00 Softball - Band aids (EMS) vs SVFD
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