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April School Calendars

Spearman

April 4 - West Texas Track Meet; 5th Six Weeks Ends
 April 6 - Daylight Savings Times Begins. Set clocks ahead one hour.
 April 7 - Final round of Boys District Golf Meet, Borger Country Club; First State Bank Senior Supper, 6 p.m.
 April 8 - Band Concert Contest, Boys Ranch; Retired Teachers Meeting, 6-9 p.m., SHS Room 116; Baptist Church Senior Supper, 6:30 p.m.
 April 9 - Final round of Girls District Golf Meet, Borger Country Club
 April 10 - Regional One-Act Play Contest, Abilene; Crawford AP Class trip to Texas Tech; DEIC meeting, 4 p.m.
 April 11 - Regional One-Act Play Contest, Abilene
 April 12 - Regional UIL Academic Competition, Abilene
 April 14 - District Track Meet, Panhandle, 3 p.m.; SISD Board meets, 7 p.m.
 April 16 - First day to vote absentee in school board election; District Track Meet, Panhandle, 9 a.m.; HS Choir Contest, West Texas A&M
 April 17 - Girls Regional Golf Qualifiers Meet, Guymon
 April 18 - 2 Hour Early dismissal for Easter holiday; Boys Regional Golf Qualifiers Meet, Guymon
 April 20 - Easter
 April 21 - School Holiday (Bad Weather Day); Regional Golf Tournament
 April 22 - Regional Golf Tournament
 April 23 - Regional Tennis Tournament, Abilene
 April 24-26 - Regional Track Meet, Abilene; Regional Tennis Tournament, Abilene; Band Trip
 April 28 - Methodist Church Senior Supper, 6:30 p.m.
 April 29 - Last day for absentee voting in person; TAKS testing, 3rd-8th, and 11th math; TAAS Exit Level Writing Retest
 April 30 - TAKS testing, 4th-8th grades, and 10th math; TAAS Exit Level Math Retest

Gruver

April 4 - District Tennis in Amarillo
 April 5 - District Tennis finals in Amarillo
 April 6 - Daylight Savings Time Begins. Set clocks ahead one hour.
 April 7 - Final round of District Golf Meet
 April 9 - High school band contest at Boys Ranch
 April 10 - Regional academic meet at Levelland
 April 11 - Regional UIL academic meet at Levelland
 April 12 - Junior High District Track meet at Sunny
 April 15 - Area Track meet at Panhandle
 April 16 - First day to vote absentee in school board election
 April 18 - Early dismissal (12:30) for Easter holiday
 April 20 - Easter
 April 21 - School holiday
 April 22 - Senior banquet at United Methodist Church
 April 23 - Top of Texas District FFA meet at Pampa
 April 24 - State FFA Land judging at Stephenville; Spring band trip
 April 25 - Spring band trip; Regional track meet at Levelland
 April 26 - State FFA horse judging at Lubbock; Regional track meet at Levelland; Band spring trip
 April 27 - Spring band trip
 April 28 - Senior supper at First Baptist Church
 April 29 - Last day for absentee voting in person; TAKS testing, 3rd-8th, and 11th math.
 April 30 - TAKS testing, 4th-8th, and 10th math.



Spearman High School One-Act Play Cast Members (Back Row, L-R) Russell Sheets, Dustin Mackie and Garrett Griffin; (Middle Row, L-R) Michael Lozano, Cristal Alvarado, Michel Huffaker and Dana McLaughlin; (Front Row, L-R) Linzi McCubbin and Eric Vasquez

SHS One-Act Advances To Area Competition

The cast and crew of the Spearman High School One-Act Play traveled to West Texas A&M University on Tuesday, March 25th to compete for District competition.

Spearman High School, under the direction of Tony D. Sidwell, performed *Scenes and Revelations* by Elan Garonzi, published by Samuel French, Inc.

The play won "Advancing Play" and will compete at the Area level on Saturday, April 5th at West Texas A&M University. West Texas High School was also selected to advance from District 6-2A.

Cast members include: Linzi McCubbin, Michel Huffaker, Cristal Alvarado, Dana McLaughlin, Russell Sheets, Garrett Griffin, Eric Vasquez, Michael Lozano and Dustin Mackie. Crew members include: Travis Brown, Miranda Paul, Ashley Flowers and Lance Baker. Alternates include: Brandon Nava, Jentry Edwards, Jeff Brock and Claudia Vaquera

The following students received awards at District:
 Best Technicians: Ashleys Flowers and Miranda Paul
 All Star Cast Honorable Mention: Eric Vasquez and Dustin Mackie
 All Star Cast: Michael Lozano and Linzi McCubbin
 Best Actress: Cristal Alvarado

Wildlife Habitat Incentives Program

The USDA-Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) announces the application period for the Wildlife Habitat Incentives Program through April 11, 2003. The proposed funding will be utilized to help interested landowners in the restoration of native degraded habitat on private lands.

Producers requesting assistance through the application period will have their applications evaluated in late April on the basis of the new farm bill provisions. When the program funding allocation is made, the WHIP applications approved for funding will be subject to the contract cost-share limitation set at \$25,000, with all cost-share percentages set at 75 percent.

WHIP is a voluntary program for individuals who want to restore degraded habitat on private lands. NRCS and interested landowners work together to prepare a wildlife habitat development plan that lasts a minimum of five years.

"NRCS provides both technical assistance and cost-sharing to help establish and restore native degraded habitats through WHIP," said NRCS Wildlife Biologist Charles Coffman.

Interested producers should contact the NRCS field office located in their local USDA Service Center. More information is available on the USDA website at www.usda.gov/farmbill.

Spring Bridge Tournament

A Spring Bridge Tournament will be held on Saturday, April 12, 2003 at the O'Loughlin Center, 502 S. Brandt, in Spearman. Registration and coffee will be at 9 a.m., with play beginning at 9:30. Play will end at approximately 3:30 p.m.

This day of fun can be enjoyed for only \$15.00, and includes a wonderful lunch. Great door prizes, as well as cash prizes, will be awarded. For more information, call Kathy Bryant at 659-3030 or Judy Nelson at 659-3608. Please RSVP on or before April 10th.

All proceeds go to The O'Loughlin Center. You won't want to miss this fun-filled day.

School Board Elections Slated; City Races Uncontested

With the filing deadline now past, the slates of candidates for the May 3rd school board election has been announced by Hansford County schools.

In the Spearman school board election, three candidates will be vying for two seats, each of three years duration. Candidates on the ballot included Trace Worley, Mark Sheets, and Mark Allen.

In the Gruver School Board election, four candidates are seeking two seats of three years duration.

Candidates on the ballot will be Brent Stedje, Dwayne Thompson, Benny Wilson, and Mike Yanke.

A third seat on the Gruver Board of Trustees, the unexpired term of David Bergin, which was being filled by board-appointed selection Buddy Lowe, is uncontested.

The Pringle Morse School District has had four candidates and a write-in candidate file for two seats of three years. Those on the Pringle Morse ballot are Linda Lou Lewis, Jerry Hart, Russell Field, Bob Zimmer, and write-in candidate Jerry Crowl.

Absentee balloting will begin Wednesday, April 16, 2003, and will end at 5:00 p.m. Tuesday, April 29, 2003. All mailed absentee ballots

within the United States must be received by 7:00 p.m. Saturday, May 3, 2003.

In the Gruver City Commission, the terms of Mayor Mark Irwin and Commissioner Johnnie Williams are expiring. With only the incumbents filing in the race, both positions are uncontested.

Three seats on the Spearman City Council are expiring. Both incumbents Ron Antalek and Brian Gillispie have filed; however, Alfred Avila, the lone filer for the third seat will become a member of the council since incumbent Scot Martin did not file.

'Texas Friendly' Delivers Quality Customer Service Training

by Donna Brauchi and Pam Dillard

No business today can succeed for very long without giving customers quality service. Some of the most savvy clientele a business can serve are tourists, according to Donna Brauchi, district director with Texas Cooperative Extension in the Texas Panhandle.

A new "Texas Friendly" training program is available to area businesses, organizations and agencies interested in helping their employees develop the needed skills and best practices involved in outstanding customer service.

This educational program is conducted by certified instructors. The curriculum was developed by Extension and the department of recreation, park and tourism sciences at Texas A&M University.

What began as the state hospitality train-the-trainer effort in 1989, and guided by a tourism task force, was recently redesigned and

updated. "Texas Friendly" helps employees understand the role of excellent customer service in their jobs. The program is focused on enabling employees to acquire information and practice skills to improve customer retention and community pride. In addition, employees are encouraged to apply skills that are beneficial personally and professionally.

"Today, we have 24 new instructors in this area who were recently certified to conduct this hospitality training," Brauchi said.

To schedule the 'Texas Friendly' training, contact any of these Panhandle-based instructors: Karen Brown and Rhonda Terry, National Park Service, Lake Meredith; Kelly Hamilton, Canyon Chamber of Commerce; Evelyn Ecker, City of Canyon Main Street Program; Mike Kirkpatrick and Suzie Wilkinson, Shepards Crook Nursing; Janet

McCracken, BSA Hospice in Pampa; Paula Nusz, Stratford Chamber of Commerce; Billie Potet, Carson County Square House Museum; Lana Barnett, Tulia Chamber of Commerce; Bill Hildebrandt, City of Pampa and Pampa Chamber of Commerce; and these county Extension agents: Leesa Wood Calvi, Randall County; Sue Church, Potter; Leicia Redwine, Armstrong; Beverly Harder, Deaf Smith; Dawn Watson, Donley; Joan Gray, Gray; Peggy Winegarner, Hansford; Kristy Mitchell, Hartley; Angie Huff, Hemphill; Sandra Duke, Hutchinson; Susie Spurlock, Sherman; and Karen Tellman, Wheeler.

For additional information, call Brauchi at the Texas A&M University System Agricultural Research and Extension Center in Amarillo at (806) 677-5600.

Spearman High School Students Recognized at WTAMU

West Texas A&M University and the Texas Education Agency recognized outstanding high school students from across the Panhandle at the Celebration of Educational Excellence Award Program March 31 at WTAMU.

Two hundred students representing more than 20 Panhandle area schools were recognized for their achievements at the awards ceremony and luncheon. Dr. Troy Johnson, WTAMU dean of enrollment management, presented medallions to the high school students for their various achievements.

Students from Spearman High School receiving medallions were Ashley Flowers, science; Ashley Hernandez, social studies; Maribell Marino, social studies; Garrett Martin, science; Adriana Pinon, science; Brodie Savage, English; Russell Sheets, science; Cayla Smith, math; Jeff Swan, social studies; and SiLi Tang, math.

WTAMU Radio Station Earns Top Awards

KWTS-FM 91.1, West Texas A&M University's radio station, brought home a national production award and garnered one of six model chapter awards presented at the National Broadcasting Society's (NBS) 60th annual convention March 5-8 in St. Louis, Mo.

Twenty-five WTAMU students and two faculty members attended the annual convention. In addition to a national production award and the model chapter award, one student was named the NBS honor society's Alpha Epsilon Rho member of the year. Three students were named scholarship winners and one student was inducted into Alpha Epsilon Rho.

The University's national production award went to Brett Chisum, senior broadcasting major from Stinnett, Lance Conaway, senior broadcasting major from Liberal, Kan., and Erin Rizzo, a sophomore broadcasting major from Plano, for "Puppy Love" in the category of Audio Comedy Program or Segment.

The model chapter of the year award was presented to only six chapters nationwide. The award recognizes the WTAMU chapter's efforts to promote NBS, working with the community and maintaining and increasing membership on campus.

Jennifer Laxson, a senior broadcasting major from Spearman, was named the Alpha Epsilon Rho member of the year by the national officers of NBS. She also was recognized for her involvement with the student advisory committee and her new position as student representative for Region 4.



DON'T FORGET!

To Set Your Clock Ahead One Hour Sunday, April 6th at 2 a.m.

See page 4 for contest)

**Laugh
and
Live**

by Catherine R. Smith
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My friend Kay Hamilton sent me the following article and I would like to share it with you.

To Realize...

- The value of a sister, ask someone who doesn't have one.
- The value of ten years, ask a newly divorced couple.
- The value of four years, ask a graduate.
- The value of one year, ask a student who has failed a final exam.
- The value of nine months, ask a mother who gave birth to a still born.
- The value of one month, ask a mother who has given birth to a premature baby.
- The value of one week, ask an editor of a weekly newspaper.
- The value of one hour, ask the lovers who are waiting to meet.
- The value of one minute, ask a person who has missed the train, bus or plane.
- The value of one-second, ask a person who has survived an accident.
- The value of one millisecond, ask the person who has won a silver medal in the Olympics.
- Time waits for no one. Treasure every moment you have.
- You will treasure it even more when you can share it with someone special.
- To realize the value of a friend, lose one.

May God bless and keep you; May He make his face to shine upon you, and be gracious to you; May the Lord lift up his countenance upon you, and give you peace.

Numbers 6:24-26

Catherine :)



Marcia Shieldknight, Dick and Leann Gillaspie and Debbie Stopper recently spent nine days in Maui and Lanai, Hawaii. The tropical vacation was awarded to qualifying Mannatech, Inc. Presidentials. Although some time was spent in business meetings, relaxing in the sun, shopping and sight seeing was enjoyed as well.



by Dorothy Hudson

Lake Level--March 31, 2003--28.48 feet, 50 degrees
The level 2 weeks ago was 28.55. Then we had the good farmer's rain that raised the level last Monday to 28.68. The .20 rain this week didn't help much.
Fish were being caught by the regulars, but there were no records. Walleye and crappie were not reported as caught. April is usually a very productive month for the Lake fishermen.
The buzzards are back for the summer. Jim saw them riding the thermal currents on Wed., March 26. Last year they had arrived on Mar. 28. Usually when the buzzards have returned is the time the turkeys have begun to split up in smaller flocks, and some will be found on the office side.
A larger group of white pelicans are here. Jim didn't know if the old group had been added to, or if we had a new, larger group. He saw them on one of the temporary islands in the Lake with their heads tucked under wings. He said it made an unusual sight.
They hope to have the restrooms opened this week. It will be later before the showers are open.
Elmon Jacobs' purple martins have intrigued me. I don't think I have ever seen one. Spearman seems to be on the western edge of their territory.
Largest of the swallows, the purple martin may be the most popular bird in North America. Years ago native Americans hung gourd houses on their lodges to entice the birds to stay close, as these aerial acrobats consume large amounts of insects, such as flies, wasps, beetles, bugs and dragon flies. They will drop to the ground to eat ants. There seems to be an argument as to whether they eat mosquitoes. I had supposed they did. We will have to get Elmon to tell us the answer.
No other North American swallow is dark all over as is the male purple martin with his purple iridescent feathers on the head and back with black wings and tail.
The county commissioners have announced that Rod Barkley of Gruver has been appointed to fill out the rest of the term of T. J. Bergin.

Thank You

Perhaps you sent a lovely card, or sat quietly in a chair. Perhaps you sent a floral piece, if so we saw it there. Perhaps you spoke the kindest words, as any friend could say. Perhaps you were not there at all, just thought of us that day. Whatever you did to console our hearts, we thank you so much whatever the part.
The family of Elsie Blagg Lamb

PANHANDLE PLANNER

Lifeguard Certification Offered
Classes to obtain a lifeguard certificate are being offered by Texas County in Guymon, Oklahoma. The classes are for individuals 15 years of age or older and will be held April 16th - May 10th. Wednesday classes will be from 6-10 p.m., Friday classes will be from 6-9 p.m., and Saturday classes will be from noon until 4 p.m. Registration may be made by calling 580-338-5720 by April 9th.

Girl Scouts Plan Gathering
Girl Scouts from five Panhandle states will gather at the Amarillo Civic Center on April 5, 2002 from 1-4 p.m., for the annual Girl Scout Day. Girls will participate in activities at more than 20 booths. For more information, call 806-356-0096.

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

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HANSFORD HAPPENINGS

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

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

Spearman Little League Sign-Ups
The sign-up period for Spearman Little League is through April 5th. Tryouts will be at Little League Park on Sunday, April 6th at 2 p.m. and Monday, April 7th at 6 p.m. for the following Leagues: Major League Baseball (10-12 yr. olds who were not on a Major team last year); Minor League Baseball (8 & 9 yr. olds); ALL Girls Softball (8-15 yr. olds); Junior League Baseball (13-15 yr. olds) - tryouts to be announced later; T-Ball League (6 & 7 yr. olds) - no tryouts, a coach will call all interested players. Entry forms are available at Cates Men & Boys Wear, and must be returned to Cates by 5 p.m. on Tuesday, April 5th with the entry fee and a copy of the players birth certificate.

SPELLBOUND to be presented at Spearman High School
The Oscar nominated documentary **SPELLBOUND** will be presented at the Spearman High School Auditorium on Sunday, April 6th from 3:30-5:30 p.m. Angela Arenivar, a Perryton senior profiled in this documentary will be present to introduce the film and answer questions. **SPELLBOUND** presents the intense, true-life experience of the National Spelling Bee as seen-through the eyes of these driven young spellers. Admission is free, but donations will be accepted. For further information, contact the Spearman Chamber of Commerce at 659-5555.

Apostolic Faith Church To Hold Revival Services
Revival Services will be held April 9th-13th at the Apostolic Faith Church, 9th and Dressen in Spearman, with Evangelist and Mrs. Bill Wagoner of Elkins, Arkansas. A group will accompany them to provide special music. Everyone is invited to attend. Services will begin at 7 p.m., and at 6 p.m. on Sunday.

AARP Offers Free Tax Help
AARP Tax-Aide is in Spearman at the Hansford County Library, 122 Main Street, every Tuesday from 1-5 p.m. AARP Tax-Aide is a free, quality and confidential service that prepares tax returns and answers tax questions from February 4th through April 15th. Services are available to all taxpayers with middle- to low-income, with special attention to those age 60 and older. It is administered through the AARP Foundation, in cooperation with the IRS. For more information, call 1-888-AARPNOW (1-888-227-7669), or visit their web-site at www.aarp.org/taxaide/, or contact Richard Gaines at 659-2853.

Gruver Church of Christ To Host Lecturship
The Gruver Church of Christ will host a series of lectureships on "The Holy Spirit" April 6-9. Speaker for the 10:20 and 6:00 p.m. worship services April 6 will Gaylord Cook with Stan Marshall speaking on April 7 at 7:00 p.m., Richard Kasko speaking on April 8, at 7:00 p.m. and John McMath speaking on April 9, again at 7:00 p.m. A fellowship luncheon will follow the Sunday morning address with refreshments served nightly Monday through Wednesday following services.

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

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

Project Graduation
The parents of the Spearman High School Senior Class of 2003 will sponsor and host a "Project Graduation Party" following commencement exercises on Friday, May 23rd. To encourage the graduates to stay the entire night, door prizes are awarded throughout the evening. In addition, graduates can earn paper monies through their participation in various games so that prizes can be purchased. The graduation party will culminate with the distribution of grand prizes. Prizes, gift certificates and cash are needed for the evening's gifts. If you, the community, who supported and encouraged these seniors these past 13 years of school, would be willing to share in the final "Class of 2003" memory, making this project special, please call Kristi Ramon, 659-3086 or Colleen Burkhammer, 659-2616. Thank you in advance for your support.

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

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Daylight Savings Time Contest



As you know, Daylight Savings Time is upon us.

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The Reporter-Statesman's First Annual Daylight Savings Time Contest

If you are the lucky person who saves more daylight than anyone else in Hansford County, then you, PLACE YOUR NAME HERE will be our GRAND PRIZE WINNER.

Name: _____

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Rules of the contest...

1. Beginning with the first day of daylight savings time, save daylight.
2. Whoever saves the most daylight is the winner.
3. Only pure daylight is allowed.
4. Dawn light or twilight light will be considered grounds for disqualification.
5. No light from cloudy days.
6. No moon light.
7. No artificial light of any kind will be permitted.
8. Light may be stored in any government approved, light proof container.
9. Refrigerated light will be permitted, providing that light from the refrigerator does not taint the pure daylight.
10. The contest will end promptly at midnight (or is it 1 a.m. the next day) on the last day of Daylight Savings Time.

Entries may be hand delivered to the Reporter Statesman Newspaper office, or they may be mailed to:

Daylight Savings Time Contest
213 Main Street
Spearman, TX 79081

Please include this form, and return postage if you would like to have your daylight returned via U.S. post.

The Grand Prize Winner will receive dinner for two in the company of the local "celebrity" of our choice, and a 12-day subscription to the Hansford County Reporter-Statesman newspaper.

Void where prohibited. Residents (or natives) of Kansas or Oklahoma need not enter.

Letter To The Editor

Dear Editor,
My name is Carla Chesterman. I've been searching for medical information on my birth parents, and so far have had no luck. I was born on August 21, 1967 in Perryton. Shortly after my birth I was sent to Hansford Hospital in Spearman, where I was adopted. The adoption was arranged between my birth mother and Dr. Stephenson of Dumas, Dr. Damon Gregg of Spearman and Dr. Lyman Gober of Gruver. James Baker of Perryton was the attorney that my adoptive parents used. My birth certificate shows my last name as that of my adoptive parents, Erickson. I lived in Gruver until I was two. I would appreciate hearing from anyone who might have information. My address is: Carla Chesterman, 311 6th St., Eaton, CO 80615. My phone number is (970) 454-0644.

Ceballos Promoted

Miguel Ceballos was recently promoted to Private 1st Class. Miguel is a 2002 graduate of Spearman High School. He joined the Marines on June 3, 2002. After 13 weeks of training at the Marine Corps recruit Depot in San Diego, CA, he graduated from Boot Camp on August 3, 2002. He attended the School of Infantry in Camp Pendleton, CA, graduating on October 22, 2002. He is now a small arms repairman at Camp Lejeune, NC.



Blan Promoted



Jason Blan was recently promoted to Private 1st Class. Jason is a 2002 graduate of Spearman High School. He joined the Marines on October 23, 2002. After 13 weeks of training at the Marine Corps Recruit Dept. in San Diego, CA, he graduated from Boot Camp on January 22, 2003. He attended the School of Infantry at

2003-2004 Cheerleaders Named

Nine Spearman High School students have been selected to serve as SHS cheerleaders for the 2003-2004 school year. They are Jentry Edwards, Sami Cazares, Claudia Vaquera, Cristina Salgado, Dana McLaughlin, Cayla Smith, Britta Vanderburg, Jena Cherry and Mascot Mallory Paul. Six GHS students have been selected to serve as GHS cheerleaders for the 2003-2004 school year. They are Meagan Knight, Jenny Hart, Blythe Finley, Kelly Jones, Callie Hargis, and Sarah Mireles.

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Screen 2

BASIC

Starring: John Travolta, Samuel L. Jackson, Connie Nielsen

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Supporting Those Who Serve -

Several people have inquired about the mailing addresses for Hansford County servicemen and women. Several school classes and individuals are wishing to offer their support and thanks to these people during this time of conflict. The Hansford County Reporter-Statesman is asking family members of ALL military men and women to submit the name, branch of service, rank, address, e-mail, and location (if possible) for their loved ones. This list will be published and will also be distributed to the schools in Hansford County. Please submit names even if the address has not changed. Names will not be released without permission from a family member. Thank you in advance for your help.

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If you have a name or address that you would like added to this list, please contact Catherine Smith at the Hansford County Reporter Statesman, 213 Main Street, Spearman TX 79081, (806) 659-3434, or e-mail to CathyRSmit@aol.com.

If you have "adopted" a soldier, please contact the Reporter-Statesman. We are keeping a list of the soldiers who have been adopted and by whom in an effort to ensure that everyone will receive mail and packages of encouragement during this difficult time.

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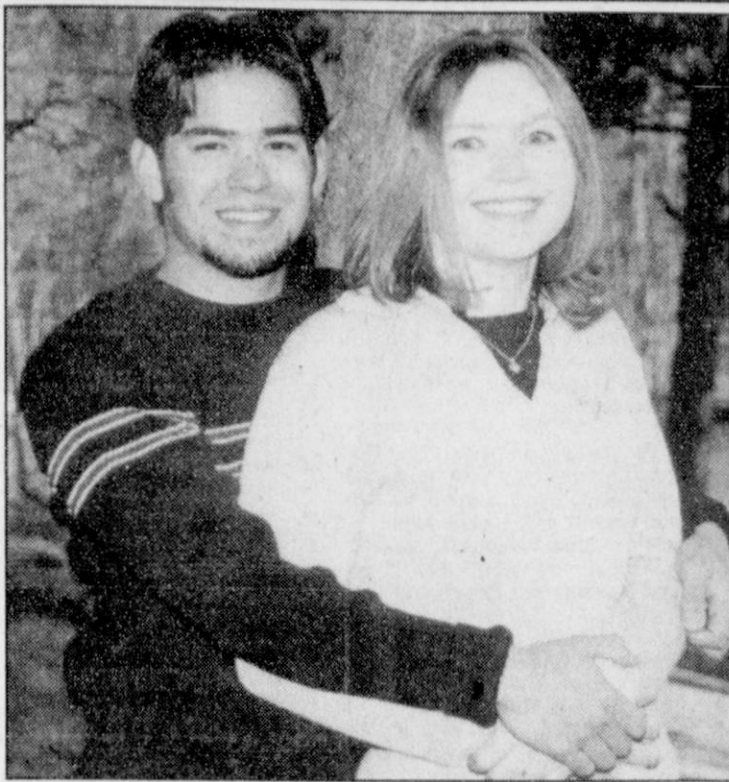
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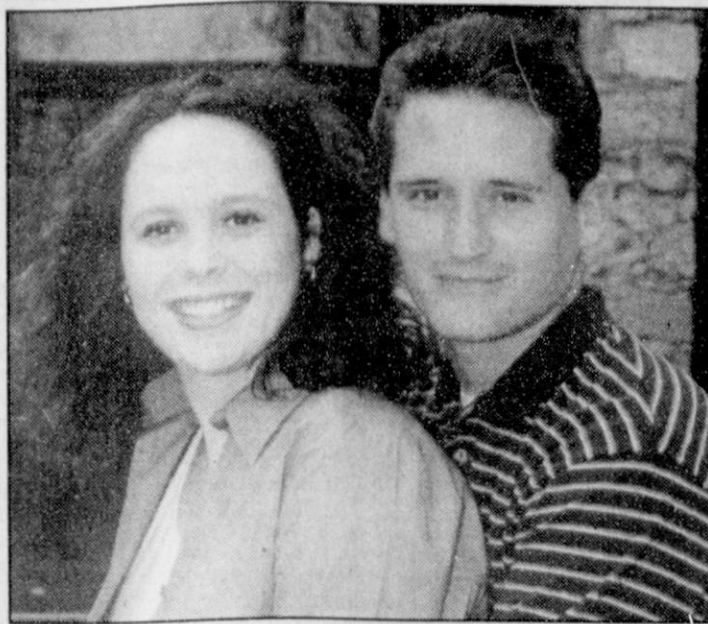
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Engagement Announcement

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Engagement Announcement

David and Vicky Shelton of Stinnett wish to announce the engagement of their daughter, Alexis Shelton to Brian Beck. Brian is the son of Ronnie and Kathy Beck of Spearman. The couple plan a May 31, 2003 wedding at the First Baptist Church of Stinnett. Alexis is a graduate of West Texas High School and West Texas A&M University. She teaches math at Spearman Jr. High and High School. Brian is a graduate of Spearman High School and West Texas A&M University. He is a teacher and coach at Spearman ISD.



Engagement Announcement

Danny and Mary Jane Henson of Gruver are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter Mary Dawn to Michael Stewart McEnany. Michael is the son of Michael and Judy McEnany of Houston. Mary Dawn is a 1997 graduate of Gruver High School. She received a Bachelor of Science degree in psychology from Texas Christian University in 2001 and will graduate with a Masters degree in education from Texas Christian University in May 2003. Michael is a 1997 graduate of Mirabeau B. Lamar High School in Houston. He received a Bachelor of Science degree in mechanical engineering from Texas Christian University in 2002. He is currently employed by Carter and Burgess, Inc. in Houston. The couple is planning a June 14, 2003, wedding at Gruver Methodist Church. They will reside in Houston.

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Jon Mac and Lesly Bosch Annen announce the birth of their daughter Shelby Ray, born at 3:31 p.m. Sunday, March 3, 2003, at The Medical Center of Arlington in Arlington, TX. Shelby weighed 9 pounds, 2 ounces and was 20 inches long. Proud big brother is Garret Hans (3 years old). Grandparents are Claude and Brenda Annen of Celina, TX; Al and Sue Frisch of Newhall, CA; and Vivian Bosch of St. Augustine, FL. Great grandparents are Bob and Mozelle Mosier of Fritch; Jack and June Harvey of Ft. Lauderdale, FL; and Helen Frisch of Hemet, CA. Great-Great uncle and aunt are Billy and Sybil Miller of Spearman, TX. Jon Mac is the agronomy manager for Red River Farm Co-op in Gainesville, TX. Lesly is the Director of Development for the University of Texas at Arlington School of Education. The family resides in North Richland Hills, TX.

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The Gruver Grapevine

by Harletta Carthel

One Act Play Competes

The GHS one-act play under the direction of Gwen Parker competed in zone competition March 20th in Stinnett.

Taking honors were Ben Williams who was named to the all star cast and Allison Reid who was named to the honorable mention list.

The two plays chosen to advance to district competition were the plays presented by White Deer and Vega. Advancing to regional competition were the plays of Clarendon and White Deer.

GHS Seniors To Be Honored

Two upcoming church banquets will honor the 2003 seniors of GHS.

The United Methodist Church of Gruver will host the seniors Tuesday, April 2, while the First Baptist Church will host a supper for the class Monday, April 28.

All senior students are cordially invited to attend the events.

GHS Band To Compete

The GHS Hound Sound Band will compete in district concert competition Wednesday, April 9, at Boys Ranch.

Community Care Concerns

Don Evans has returned home after spending a week recently in the hospital. Remember Don as he continues his battle with cancer.

Esmeralda Renteria underwent a heart catheter test recently and is scheduled for a laser procedure at a future date.

Van Bradford is scheduled for heart surgery, Thursday, April 3, in Amarillo.

Olene Cluck had hip replacement surgery in Amarillo on March 19. She is currently in rehabilitation.

2002 Graduate Deployed

Joshua Abernathy, a 2002 graduate of GHS, is being deployed to Iraq.

Josh is fulfilling a dream he has had since a very young age of

being a tanker in the US Army.

Jenny Abernathy, Josh's mother, called to say that Josh would greatly appreciate letters, pictures, or any news from home.

His address is listed with the US servicemen in this issue of the Reporter Statesman.

Lady Hounds Make Area Track Honor Roll

Lisa Johnson was listed on the area girls tack honor roll last week for her discus throw of 103' 1". Teammate Blythe Finley was listed on are pole vault honor roll for her vault of 8'.

This past week, Finley posted a vault of 8'7" at the Panhandle track meet. Look for her to move up on the honor roll this week.

Gruver Veteran Featured

Hugh Bell, a veteran of WW II, was featured on Channel 10 television in the March 30 late Sunday evening night cast and the early morning news cast Monday, March 31. Bell related his experiences in the war and his support of the US's mission in Iraq.

From the Police Blotter

Chief of Police John Chambers reported his office had answered two separate domestic disturbance calls last week.

In the call March 27, one person was transported to the hospital while the call March 30 resulted in the arrest of two individuals.

Chief Chambers expressed his appreciation to the Hansford County Sheriff's Department and Spearman Police Department for their assistance in the meth lab confiscation in March.

Holt Wins Rodeo Titles

Rachelle Holt, GHS freshman, put in a great performance in at the Childress Rodeo over the weekend.

Holt won first in Break Away Roping, second in Goat Tying, 10th in Barrell Racing and was high all around girl.

Satrum Defends Title

Krystle Satrum, granddaughter of Leona Stavlo and niece of J.P. and Amy TeBeest, claimed her

second straight national swimming championship, successfully defending her 200 backstroke title at the NCAA Division III Women's Swimming Championship at Emory University in Atlanta.

Satrum's time of 2:02.00 was slightly off her national record of 2:01.35, established at last year's NCAA championships.

Satrum became the seventh national champion in Franklin and Marshall's College and the school's first swimmer to defend a title.

She is the daughter of Alice and Randy Satrum of Denver Colorado.

J.P. and Amy TeBeest were able to see their niece swim in a meet in Atlanta.

Academic Contestants Face Stiff Competition

Mark TeBeest who placed third in Calculator Application and Eric Cruz who placed third in Ready Writing were the only Gruver High students winning advancement rights to the regional UIL contest April 11 at South Plains College in Levelland.

Other students place in events but not advancing were Christie McDowell- 4th in Current Events and Issues, Samantha Myatt - 4th in Literary Criticism, Callie Hargis - 4th in Poetry Interpretation, and Ben Williams - 5th in Headline Writing.

Gruver boosted a contingent of 42 students competing in 17 different events at the meet.

For the most part, GHS academic competitors found the going tough in the District 2-1A meet held at Amarillo College last week in which they faced students from eleven other Class A schools.

City Commission Meets

Meeting in regular session, March 17, 2003, the Gruver City Commission passed a resolution urging the Texas Congressional delegation to support funding for President Bush's \$3.5 billion first responder initiative during the 108th session of congress.

Meeting in closed session, the commission discussed city secretary personnel issues. Taking no action in executive session, the commission returned to the regular meeting and adjourned.

Among The Neighbors

by Helen Fisher

Dr. Sharma recently returned from a two-week visit with his family. The town of Shimia in the foothills of the Himalayas was the summer capital of the British when they ruled India in the 1800's and early 1900's. Dr. Sharma's father was an artist and taught Fine Arts. He took his sabbatical early and his sons spent their childhood in Nigeria. Dr. Sharma went to Medical School in Delhi and did his early medical training there. His parents and one brother visited in the Spearman area last July. They were quite interested in touring this area, especially Adobe Walls. The flight from Delhi, London, New York on to Amarillo took 19 hours.

Wayne, Emily, and Shalanea Henderson visited their grandparents, Merry and Jerry Sparks over the week-end. They even attended the western dance at Hansford Manor.

Parker Riley Evans Smith, whose "roots" go back to even before early Spearman, arrived in Houston on March 5, 2003. Parker was 22 inches long and weighed 9 pounds, 8 ounces. His parents are Tab and Sandy Smith of Houston.

His paternal grandparents are James and Sammy Smith of Dallas. Grandparents, Pat and Anne Northcutt of Amarillo have already been to Houston and they give their full approval of baby Parker. Great grandparents for Parker were the late Hollie and Earl Riley. Maternal grandparents are the G. P. Gramms of Houston. The Hollinsworth family of Lubbock and Albuquerque are also grandparents to Parker.

Don and Gloria Knox received word that their granddaughter, her husband, and little Sarah are all-right. They are in Saudi Arabia near Baharin. The granddaughter is teaching and her husband is with an oil company. The granddaughter's parents are David and Reata

Knox of Hart, Texas.

Rev. and Mrs. Wesley Daniels of Breckenridge were in Spearman last week.

They were the guests of their daughters and their families, Lyn and Joey Woolley and Becky Baker. The highlight of their trip was watching grandson, Lance Baker, a senior, score so high at the track meet.

The passing of Beulah Ben Bort has affected many people. Beulah was always such a gracious lady and opened her lovely home for many, many occasions.

Sympathy is extended to daughters, Barbara and Peggy and their families.

Melissa Vasquez underwent surgery for a malignancy in the Lubbock Methodist Hospital on March 18. The surgery was successful and Melissa is expected to have no more problems. She is home now and recuperating. Reginald and Jody Robertson, Linda Diaz, and T. J. Vasquez (a C. N. A. at Hansford Manor) were in attendance during the surgery.

Judge Jim Brown will have more time to make judicial decisions now that he will no longer be doing any lawn mowing. Eric, their son from Guymon, gave the Browns two pygmy billy goats. He built a small pen that would be easy to move around. As the goats grazed one spot, Jim would be able to move the pen. It worked out fine and Jim could sit in the shade and relax as the goats did their work. Evidently no one thought to inform the goats that they were both Billy goats. In a few months, there was a new little "kid". Eric was glad to take the little "kid" and named him "Shilon".

I W. Ayres visited many patients, who had pneumonia, in the hospital and the manor all week. Apparently he got the impression

that the patients were having a really fun time. So I. W. tried it himself. After a few days in the hospital, Maylynn took him home, and he is recovering and will soon be back on his feet.

Olga Gafford was pleased to have her daughter, Deanne and husband Billy Miller as week-end guests from Canadian.

Dwayne and Donnie Mitchell have returned from a trip to the East. Their two daughters, two husbands and four children accompanied the Mitchells. The Baloglous are from Amarillo, and the Sultemeiers live in Arkansas.

They started out in Cooperstown, touring the Baseball Hall of Fame. A grand tour of West Point in New York City was their next stop. Chris Sultemeiers, their son in-law, graduated from West Point. The group attended a Broadway play. They also saw the Statue of Liberty and Yankee Stadium.

They spent a day in Philadelphia before going on to Washington, DC.

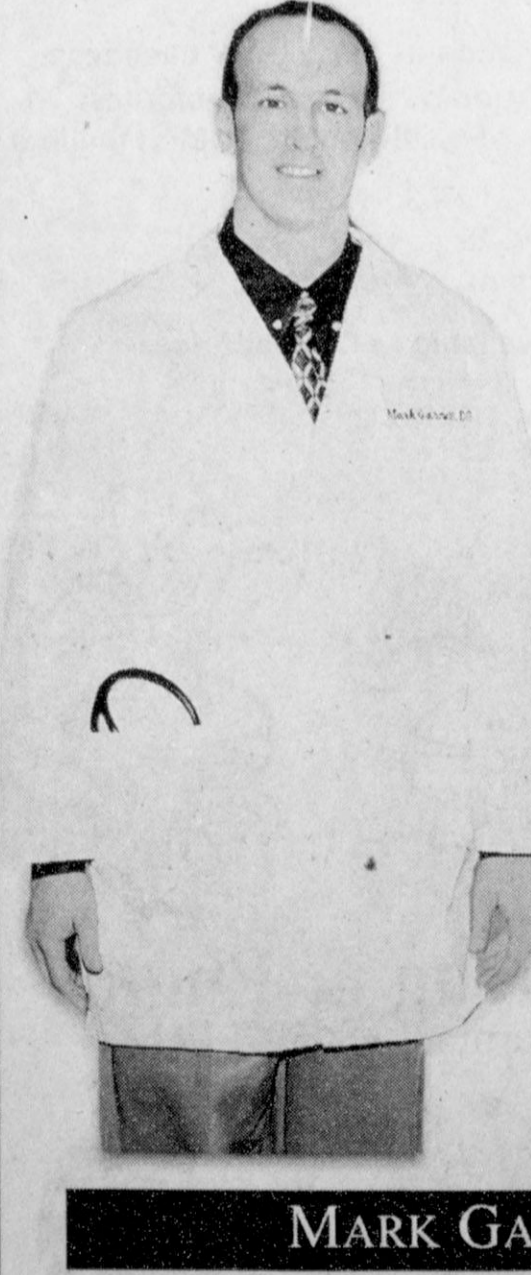
A hot time in the ole Hansford Manor dining room was had by all, who attended the western dance on Friday, March 22 from 7 to 9 p.m. Special decorations for the occasion were furnished by Opal Bradford. Her beautiful quilts were awesome. Opal's son, Van Bradford helped set up the display. Residents and guests enjoyed tasty refreshments and sparkling punch during the evening.

Several guests from out of town came to participate in the fun event.

Dancers of all ages had a delightful time. Grab a partner and kick up your heels with us next time.

Good News!!!! Holly Tercero, the young girl, who was in a bad accident in November, is home after a 3-month stay in Dallas. She was greeted at the Spearman City Limits by her family and many friends, who held signs, flashed lights, honked horns and cheered for her return. We are all happy to have Holly back home and doing great!

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Leadership Training Continues

Participants in the Spearman Rural Leadership Program met for their third session on March 13th at the O'Laughlin Center in Spearman. The topics for this session were Current Leaders, Allies and Sources of Assistance. The program included presentations from Gary Pitner, Executive Director of the Panhandle Regional Planning Commission in Amarillo, Sheila Martin, Rural and Agribusiness Development Specialist with the Texas Department of Agriculture in Amarillo, Clyde Jenkins, Community Development Specialist with USDA Rural Development in Amarillo, and Stacy Hoefling, Leadership Development Coordinator for the Office of Rural Community Affairs in Austin.

The purpose of these agency presentations was to give the students a better understanding on sources of assistance and funding

for local projects. Special guests from Congressman Mac Thornberry's office in Amarillo were Sylvia Nugent, Chief of Staff, and Lewis Britt, District Representative. Sylvia and Lewis gave the class a general overview of the functions of the District office and the Washington office, with insight on the demands, responsibilities and characteristics of Congressman Thornberry and his staff.


The afternoon session featured local community leaders in a panel discussion. Representing the Spearman Chamber of Commerce were Gina Gillispie, Executive Director and board members Justin Boyd and Lenny Pecha. On the panel from the City of Spearman were Robert Patrick, City Manager, Cheryl Gibson-Salgado, City Secretary, and Danny Parker, Public Works Manager. Rod Sumner, Spearman ISD School Superintendent, and

Cindy Blackman, Community Resource Coordinator gave presentations and answered question related to the school system. Brian Gillispie and Charles Elliott represented the Spearman Economic Development Corporation. Brian gave a presentation that included all of the activities that the Spearman EDC has been a part of over the past few years.


The purpose of the panel discussions was to give the students a better understanding of their community organizations, their accomplishments, challenges and the need for public involvement.

The Spearman Economic Development Corporation, Xcel Energy, and the O'Laughlin Center are sponsoring the Spearman Rural Leadership Program. The High Plains Resource Conservation & Development (RC&D) Council is Coordinating the event with Thomas Reed, RC&D Coordinator serving as the facilitator.


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