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## **Hansford County Election Results**

A Republican Primary Election was held in Hansford County on Tuesday, March 14, 2000. Listed below are the results of this election. Presidential Nominee: Steve Forbes - 5, Alan Keyes - 12, Orrin G. Hatch - 2, Charles Bass Urban - 1, John Presiding Judge, Court McCain - 38, George W. Bush - 956, Gary Bauer - 3, Uncommitted - 13; United States Senator: Kay Bailey Hutchison - 929; United States Rep. Dist 19: Larry Combest - 924; Railroad Commissioner: Charles R. Matthews - 724; Railroad Commissioner, Unexpired Term: Michael L. Williams - 609, Andy Draughn - 91;

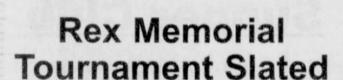
Place #1: Valorie W. Davenport - 242, Nathan Hecht - 490; Justice, Supreme Court, Place #2: Priscilla Owen - 621; Justice, Supreme Court, Place #3: Al Gonzales - 433, Rod E. Gorman - 295; Crim. Appeals: Tom Price -312, J. Gary Trichter - 85, Connie J. Kelley - 102, Sharon Keller - 106; Judge, Court Crim. Appeals, Place #1: Alan Curry - 161, Charles Holcomb - 151, Tom Greenwell - 84, John Boston -41, Guy Williams - 137; Court Criminal Appeals, Place #2: W.B. "Bennie" House - 123, Sally L. Ray -Justice, Supreme Court, 87, Pat Barber - 76, Barbara

Parker Hervey - 89, Jim Wallace - 203; State Representative, Dist. #88: Warren Chisum - 796; Justice 7th Court Appeals, Place #1: Brian Quinn - 445, Deborah Smith McClure -219; Justice, 7th Court Appeals, Place #2: Don H. Reavis - 638; District Judge, 84th Jud. Dist: William D. "Bill" Smith - 731; District Attorney, 84th Judicial Dist.: Clay L. Ballman -662; County Attorney: Cecil R. Biggers - 231, John L.

Hutchison - 798; Sheriff: R.L. McFarlin, Jr. - 822: County Tax Assessor-Collector: Helen Dry - 933; County Chairman: Brian Gillispie - 763; Proposition #1: Yes - 1007, No - 15; County Commissioner, Pret. #1: Ira (Butch) Reed -170; County Commissioner, Prct. #2: Joe T. Venneman -199; County Commissioner, Pret. #3: Ty Williams - 157, Kent Guthrie - 166



Gruver High School athletes named to the 6-A all-district team are (L-R) Junior Sammie Stavlo, and Freshmen Amy Watley and Lisa Johnson. Brooke Bevill, Annie Mayhew, Brittney Morris, Amy Watley, Janae Watley and Tessa Yanke were named to the all-academic team.



The First Annual Garret Rex Memorial Basketball Tournament (9th Annual Spearman Invitational Tournament) will be held this weekend, March 17th and 18th in all three gyms at the Spearman Junior High cam-

Third through sixth grade boys and girls teams from Spearman, Gruver, Perryton, Stinnett, Pampa, Morse, Dalhart, Borger, Guymon, and Panhandle will be competing. The first games begin at 5:00 p.m. on Friday with the last game scheduled to begin at 8:45 a.m. On Saturday, the games begin at 9:00 a.m. with the final games to be played at 5:45 p.m.

All the Spearman teams played in the Morse Tournament this past weekend and did very well. They will also be attending the Perryton tournament on March 24th and 25th.

The trophies for the Garrett Rex Memorial Tournament were donated by Joey and Renee Haddox from Just About Sports of Borger. Be sure to thank them and give them your business.

So come on down to the Junior High campus this weekend to see a lot of ballgames. There will be a delicious concession stand each day provided by the High School Choir.



The Lynx had two named to the all-district team and one named honorable mention. They are (L-R) John Brock, sophomore (honorable mention), and seniors Jordon Brock and Aaron Winegarner. The Lynx also had nine named academic all-district: Seniors Mickey Schoenhals, Aaron Winegarner, Jordan Brock, Clayton Wilkerson, and Jeramy Mackie; Juniors Brady Woolley, Coley Griffin, and Randy Duffy; and John Brock, soph-



Five Gruver athletes have been named to the 6-A district boys basketball team. Honored were (L-R) senior Dallas Henson, senior Sean Cone, junior Jason Shoulders, senior Bray Armes, and senior Dan Odom. Seniors Kyler Barkley and Dallas Henson were named to the all academic basketball team. Coach Troy Seagler was named District Coach of the Year.

**FSA Assistance** 

Announced

Carol L. Laney, County Executive Director of the Hansford County Farm

"We are the most vital link in USDA's delivery system of the price support, credit, conservation and emergency programs so essential to our production agriculture sector," said Ms. Laney. "And in light of the ongoing

financial challenges facing our state's farmers and ranchers, our local FSA

offices have been extremely busy this past year."
From January 1, 1999 to December 31, 1999, the Hansford County FSA

\$5,212,184 in Production Flexibility payments; \$5,228,670 in Loan Deficiency payments (LDPs); \$6,393,835 in Marketing Loss Assistance payments; \$109,907 in Market Gain payments on Commodity Loans; \$972,913 in Conservation Reserve Program (CRP) annual rental payments;

\$73,511 in CRP Cost Share payments; \$140,739 in Environmental Quality

Incentive Program (EQIP) payments; \$3,218,951 in Crop Loss Disaster Assistance payments; \$660 in Small Hog Operations payments; \$279 in

A key factor in program delivery this year was Secretary Glickman's initiative to broaden eligibility for some programs. A good example is the inclusion of grain harvested as silage being eligible for LDP's. The agency is also planning to streamline its lending policies for the coming year.

Ms. Laney went on to explain that over the next several weeks FSA offices will be delivering advanced 1999 Production Flexibility Contract

payments, administering an Oilseed Program sign-up, and preparing for

next year's lending demand as well as administering new relief provisions

announced Ms. Laney, "and encourage them to contact us if they have ques-

tions about our programs." The Hansford County FSA office is located at 909 W. 9th St. Ste. B in Spearman, Texas. The telephone number is (806)

**School Board Candidate** 

**Workshop Offered** 

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Interest payments; and \$284,170 in Guaranteed Operating Loans.

recently signed into law by President Clinton.

Service Agency (FSA), today announced the agency's local activities for

the past calendar year which ended on December 31, 1999

office delivered

659-3036.

## Jones Earns Eagle Rank



Justin Jones, an eighth-grader at David Crockett Middle School, recently attained the rank of Eagle

Jones, the son of Roger and Dianne Jones, is a member of Boy Scout Troop 86 in Amarillo, His Eagle Scout program was spon-sored by St. Paul United Methodist Church.

Jones has been active in Scouting for seven years. He is a member of first Baptist Church's youth group and publishes the Sidelines Sports newsletter. He enjoys water and snow skiing, hunting and comput-

At Crockett, he participates in football, basketball and track. He also is a member of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes. Jones is the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Hershel Jones of Spearman.

The Lynxettes had three girls make all-district, and two named honorable mention. They are (L-R) Camille Smith, senior, Brooke Lesly, senior (honorable mention), Jenn Schnell, senior, Halee Beasley, senior, and Adrienne Simpson, junior (honorable mention). Jenn Schnell was also named the Most Valuable Player of the district. The Lynxettes also had eight girls named academic all-district: Seniors Halee Beasley, Brooke Lesly, Amber Ramon, and Camille Smith, senior; Juniors Adrienne Simpson, and Jenn Schnell; Clara Shieldknight, sophomore; and Mindee Gillaspie, freshman.

## **NAP Program Offers Aid** For Grain Forage Loss

Dry winter weather in the Panhandle, South Plains and North Central areas of the state is causing major losses of grazing from small grain crops of wheat, oats, barley, rye and triticale. Grazing is severely damaged or lost on an estimated 2.5 to 3 million acres.

Losses of small grain forage production may be eligible for compensation from the Noninsured Crop Disaster Program (NAP) offered by USDA's Farm Service Agency. Implementation of NAP and determinations of producer eligibility depend heavily on information reported by producers.

"Producers must understand that destroying small gain acreage, or making other use of it prior to inspection by FSA, could jeopardize their eligibility for a NAP payment for the grazing loss," said Wayland Shurley, State Executive Director of the Texas FSA. "We want producers to benefit Tom the NAP program, but we need their help.'

Producers who believe they qualify for NAP benefits for loss of small grain forage production in the fall and winter months must notify FSA no later than 15 days after the FCIC pull off date. FSA must have an opportu-

nity to inspect acreage to verify damage to the small grain forage Federal crop insurance policies on wheat and oats provide protection against loss of grain production in these areas of the state. Late Last week, crop insurance industry officials discussed the possibility of releasing small grain acreage that is no longer in dormancy, even though the established pull off dates were still a week or so away. In some areas, the outlook for grain production is bleak As a result, much of the acreage could be released in the next few weeks. Release of acreage by crop insurance companies means producers can make other use of the land. Farmers need to remember, however, that release of their insured small grain crop by the crop insurance industry does not mean their forage acreage can be destroyed without affecting the potential eligibility for NAP benefits

In areas where high winds cause potential erosion problems, producers who request and receive permission from the crop insurance companies to

perform emergency tillage must also notify FSA prior to destroying crop acreage to avoid jeopardizing their eligibility for NAP assistance. Producers needing more information about NAP should contact FSA at

Area school board candidates and interested citizens can learn more about the demands and rewards of school board service at a candidate workshop, Thursday, March 23, 7-9 p.m. at the Region 16 Education Service Center (1601 S. Cleveland, Amarillo). The workshop will provide interested community members and individ-uals thinking about running for the board with a better understanding of

what is involved in being elected and serving as a trustee. Experienced school board members will explain board members' key responsibilities and outline the qualities necessary for effective service. Topics to be covered include the school board's duties and responsibilities, important ethical practices during board service, how board members are accountable for the education of students, and keys to responsible cam-

paigns. Participants will also view A Call to Service, a Texas Association of School Board's video highlighting many aspects of board service and featuring several experienced school trustees

The workshop is open to anyone. Admission is free. For more information, call Kathy Dundee at TASB, 512-467-0222 or 800-580-8272, exten-



## County Mourns LifeStar Disaster

The tragic accident which took the lives of three members of the LifeStar crew and their patient last Friday morning brought profound sympathy from residents of Hansford County.

Since the inception of the medical helicopter transport system, which was first known as Medivac, the highly-advanced equipment and trained personnel have responded to the critical care needs of the residents of Hansford County with the speed of flight. A Hansford County man who suffered critical head injuries in a roping accident north of Gruver was the first patient transported by the system.

According to Nelva Snow, medical record director of Hansford Hospital. LifeStar has made 14 patient pickups the past year (March 1999-March 2000.) Snow states that once a doctor determines the patient's condition is critical and could be aided by transfer, LifeStar takes only 30-45 to arrive. Patients receive benefits upon the medical unit's arrival as equipment and procedures can begin immediately.

Hansford County also has a connection to the LifeStar crew, itself, as former resident Kevin Russell, the son of Sandy and Tommy Russell, is one of the LifeStar pilots. Russell is married to former resident Kerri Lou (Hays), the daughter of Vera Mae Hays.

The residents of Hansford County join other Panhandle residents in extending their sympathy to the families of the deceased and to express appreciation to all members of the LifeStar crew for their dedication to

# Happy Birthology

Editor's Note: This Happy Birthday list is run as a public service by the Hansford County Reporter-Statesman. We apologize if any names are misspelled. If you know of a name that needs to be changed, added or deleted, please call 659-3434. Thank you, Catherine

March 16 Birthday - Ted Harbour, Tonya Woodington, Janice Mayfield, Gary Davis, Missy Sumner, Dan McCloy, Michael Gruver, Payton Thoreson, Callie Smith, Suzanne Schad, Hadley Spivey Anniversary - Carey & Denice Bridges, Mr. & Mrs. Robert Womble

March 17
Birthday - Dala Cathey, J.P. TeBeest, Elwana Davis, Kathy Slater, Carrol VanBuskirk, Tony Barrera Jr., Tony Miller III, Jamie Thomas, Terry Latham, Jason Genn, Joe Baca, Anna Soto, Kathy Brown, Makayla Wheelock Kathy Wheelock

Anriversary - Mr. & Mrs. Richard Ooley, Mr. & Mrs. Woody Gibner, Mr. & Mrs. Chris

March 18
Birthday - Danny Henson, Bill
Burger, Tony Harper, Charles
Friday, Cody McLeod, Kenny
Virden, Laura Garcia, Tobe
Shields, Connie Hobbs, Kelsey Henton

Anniversary - Mr. & Mrs. Edwin Pearcy, Mr. & Mrs. Ken Bullard March 19

Birthday - Barry Haenisch, delinda McCullough, Kerri dinter, Ron Gibson, Altha Melinda Melinda McCullough, Kerri Minter, Ron Gibson, Altha Groves, Vera Mae Hays, Pete Garcia Jr., Jesse Ruth Gerrard, Rose Marie Bruning, Cathy Davis, April Knight
Anniversary - Mr. & Mrs. Michael Wilson
March 20
Birthday - Mack Bevill, Travis Ferguson, Chad TeBeest, Ila Mae Buchanan, Martha Stinson.

Mae Buchanan, Martha Stinson, Florencio Martinez, Angela Sinta, Toni Vera, Jane Henton, Kim King, Marion Upchurch, Kay Christian, Garry Hathaway, Lisa Tice, Maxine Banister, Rocio

Anniversary - Mr. & Mrs. R. M. Crawford, Mr. & Mrs. Benny McCullough, Mr. & Mrs. Rod

March 21
Birthday - Kathy Duncan, Kelly Hart, Nancy Alvarez, Rhonda

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March 22
Birthday - Veta Allaway,
Charmaine Gross, Maggie Key,
Bob Miller, Payton Mitchell,
Marty McCloy, Kelly Rauscher,
Randie (Renner) Baumann, Roy
Garrard, Rosalinda Vela, Tim
Kizzar, Alice Miller, Michael
Burke, Doug Gumfory, Tavo
Borunda, Jorge Soto, Carla
Jones, Debbie Clement, Andy
Lindsey, Marty McCloy, J.J.
Gallegos March 22

Gallegos Anniversary - Mr. and Mrs.

Anniversary - Mr. and Mrs.
Benny Wilson

March 23

Birthday - Tanner Irwin,
Mercedes Perez, Dwayne
TeBeest, Jamie Sterling, Beth
Ann Flowers, Angela Craig,
Teresa Russell, Marvin G.
Wilson, Christopher Turner,
Ramon Garcia Jr., Bernice
Flores, Jason Evans Flores, Jason Evans Anniversary - Mr. and Mrs.

Tony Cazares

March 24

Birthday - Dillion Payne, Marie
Bell, Mike Floyd, Frank Sursa,
Lesa Deakin, Karie Coates,
Patricia Pool, Lera Deakin, Jeri
Diane Sterling, Chandra Lee,
Carla James, Rebecca Garza,
Corjy Haight, Ruth Bryan, Beth
Phelps
Anniversary - Mr. and Mrs.

Anniversary - Mr. and Mrs. Mike Babbs, Mr. and Mrs. John Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Greg Breland, Mr. and Mrs. Blair Traham

March 25
Birthday - Rosalie Grotegut,
Scott Jarvis, Jason Ward, Nellie
Albrect, Oscar Rojas Jr., Kendra Kay Burke, Mike Dixon, Donna Brogdo, Tom Latta, Jean Schaffer, Michael Covington, Joe Baca, Amy Bridges, Inez Holland, Chad Howe, Mario

Anniversary - Mr. & Mrs. Josh

March 26 Birthday - Keith Dillard, Jamie Smith, George Jackson, Tanda Taylor, James Brown, J.D. Faulkner, Judy Irlbeck, Greg Holladay, Ruth Baker, John Paul Molina, Danny Bass, Joann Reynolds, Kristi Ann Balderrama, Sabrina Cantu, Mozelle Sparks, Joanna Myers Anniversary - Mr. and Mrs. Andy Riley, Mr. & Mrs. Jimmy Morley



Engagement Announcement

Shawn Marie Ross and Justin Lynn Tucker of Amarillo wish to announce their engagement. Shawn is the daughter of Vonda Hamen of Fairview, OK. Justin is the son of Glenda Close of Spearman and Garland Tucker of

The couple plan their wedding on April 18, 2000 in Las Vegas, NV, at the Special Memory Wedding Chapel located at 800 S. Fourth Street

Shawn attended Amarillo College, where she took classes in Radio and Television Production and Mass Communications. She is currently employed by KAMR-TV in Amarillo as the morning and mid-day Newscast Director

Shawn's grandparents are A.W. Peck of Longdale, OK and Sherry Peck of Fairview, OK.

Justin attended Panhandle State University in Goodwell, OK and Amarillo College. He is currently employed as manager of Westgate

Justin's grandparents are RIchard and Betty Gaines of the Holt Community near Spearman and Sybil and the late Randall Tucker of Paducah, TX. Justin's great-grandparents are Olive "Babe" and the late Owen Pendergraft also of the Holt Community near Spearman and Freda and the late Robert Gaines of Eureka, KS.

In honor of the couple, upon their return from their wedding trip, there will be a reception/show on Saturday, April 22nd, from 3 to 5 p.m., at the First Christian Church of Spearman, located at 29 S. Bernice Street.



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## Engagement Announcement

Bill and Marsha Griffin of Dumas, TX wish to announce the engagement of their daughter, Ashley Paige Griffin to Max D'Wayne Simpson. Max is the son of Dale and Sally Simpson of Plainview, TX and Peggy Simpson of

The couple plans a May 13, 2000 wedding in the First Street Church of

Ashley is a 1996 graduate of Dumas High School. She received a Bachelor of General Studies in 1999 from Texas Tech University in Lubbock. She is employed at Covenant Lakeside Hospital in Lubbock as an Histology Technologist.

Max is a 1993 graduate of Plainview High School. He received a Bachelor of Science Degree in Zoology with a minor in Chemistry in 1999 from Texas Tech University. He is a sales representative for PSS Medical Supply Company in Manasses, VA.

The bride-elect is the granddaughter of Wayne and Helen Calhoun of Amarillo, and Charles and Florence Kruse of Gruver. The prospective groom is the grandson of Biney Gilbertson of Plainview and Frank and Viola Simpson of Plainview.

## Computer Training Coming To Gruver

An "Essential Computer Skills" class will be presented in Gruver on Monday, March 20th by Dan Cowan of Accelerated Learning Center of Amarillo.

This three hour class covers computer skills that everyone needs," says Mr. Cowan. "For reasons I fail to understand, very few computer users are learning the atest techniques developed by Microsoft to handle routine tasks such as downloading files from the Internet, copying files, and organizing your files into folders and subfolders. That's what we teach, plus a whole lot more."
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"Computer competency is so simple," Cowan claims, "it all boils down to understanding about a dozen easy to learn techniques. Our class cuts to the core and teaches material that will take most computer users years to learn on their own. In just one ses sion students learn techniques that they will use for a lifetime.

Two classes will be held in Gruver, a morning class and an afternoon class, at the Golden Age Center, 105 E. Broadway. The cost is \$69 per person, payable at the door. Group discounts are available. Call (888) 320-5552 to reserve your seat.

The class is suitable for a beginning and intermediate computer students. Each student will be given a reference guide that will probably be the student's constant companion for all Microsoft applications. This permanent guide gives the simple keystrokes that separate the computer compe tent person from the person who lacks computer skills.

For information about this class call (888) 320-5552. Full details will be faxed or mailed to you about Monday's class.

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## "...Comfort To The Fallen Heroes..."

A Tribute to Dennis Harris "Fighting Seabee" 1946-2000

by Lonnie E. Lusby

The men were drafted and forced to fight in Vietnam. Over 58,000 died fighting. Hundreds of thousands were physically and mentally scarred by the fighting.

News of people and politicians can not wiat to get on T.V and tell us that we lost the war. It is taught in schools.

Do people not understand how it carves the heart out of combat veterans when they are bombarded with the myth that we "lost" the war?

We lost brave lads who were drafted by this government. We lost the hearts and minds of part of a generation, while trying to win the hearts and minds of a lost generation. We lost thousands killed on the battlefield. Vietnam lost millions. America lost a lot. But we did not lose the war.

If God would permit me to give comfort to the fallen heroes, I would tell them, "We won the war men, good job." I say this also to the veterans who served in Vietnam and survived. History often depends on ones point of view. What dominos!? Remember the old domino theory? Red communism really spread didn't it? Where is the Soviet Union? I'll tell ya' boys, the collapse of the Soviet Union began as a crack in the Red wall during the Korean War (tell the dead it was a police action) and grew a lot bigger and began to leak during the Vietnam War. World communism saw the Free World's resolve to fight every step of the way. Oh sure, they won a little territory here and there, but each time America and her allies made them pay an appalling price.

A brave hero passed away recently. He was a Vietnam Veteran. He was a member of the "Fighting Seabees." He fought with the United States Marines on "Hamburger Hill." I fear he went to his grave thinking the war was in vain. You did not fight in vain, Dennis. We won.

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## Spearman

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First Assembly of God 01 N. Bernice • 659-229 First Assembly of God 401 N. Bernice \* 659-229f. Sunday School: 9:30 a.m. Worship: 10:35 a.m. Kid's Church: 10:35 a.m. Evening Worship: 7 p.m. Wed. Worship: 7:30 p.m. Youth: 7:30 Wednesday Pastor - Walter Greaser, Jr.

First Christian Church Disciples of Christian 29 S. Bernice - 659-2036 Sunday School: 9.45 a.m. Worship: 10.50 a.m. Minister -

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Worship: 11 a.m.
Evening Worship: 7 p.m.
Wed Fellowship Meal: 6 p.m.
Wed, Disc. Time: 6:30 p.m.
Wed, Youth Mtg. 8 p.m.
Pastor - Rick Patrick
Youth/Ed. Min. - Brian Foster

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Sunday Bible Class: 9-45 a.m.
Worship: 10-30 a.m.
Evening Worship: 6 p.m.
Bible Study Wed, 7-30 p.m.
KRDF Radio Program
Living W/Christ: 7-50 a.m.
Minister - Leonard Harper

Sacred Heart Catholic Church 901 Roland - 659-2792 Sat. Night Mass: 5:30 p.m. Sun. Mass: 9 a.m. - English (aired on KRDF-FM 98.3) Sun. Mass: 11:30 - Spanish 1:30 p.m. - Gruver - Christo Rendettor Mass - Spanish Rev. Scott Raef

Trinity Fellowship Church 717 W 7th Ave • 659-2671 Sunday School: 9:30 a.m. Worship Service & Children's Church: 10:30 a.m.

First Presbyterian Church

(Worships with Lutheran) 1021 Cotter • 659-2033 Sunday School 9 45 a.m. at Lutheran Church Worship: 11 a.m. (alternates monthly between Lutheran & Presbyterian Church Bldg.) Pastor - Beverly Cook

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

First United Methodist 407 S. Haney • 659-5503 Sunday School: 9.45 a.m. Worship: 8:30 & 11 a.m. Jr. High Youth: 5 p.m. Sunday High School: 6 p.m. Sunday Kids Club: 3 p.m. Wed. Pastor - Ken Cole

Union Church
31 S. Endicott • 659-2644
Sunday School: 9 45 a.m.
Worship: 10:45 a.m.
Evening Worship: 6 p.m.
Bible Study: 7 p.m. Wed
Pastor - Bill Sparks

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

Primera Mision Bautista 502 E. 7th • 659-3991 Sunday School: 9.45 a.m. Worship: 11 a.m., Evening: 6 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meeting: 7 p.m. Thurs. Visitation: 7 p.m.

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Jueves Oracion - 8 p.m.
Mier Estudio Biblico - 7 p.m.
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## Gruver

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

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

First Christian Church First Christian Church 510 King • 733-2960 Sunday School: 10:00 a.m. Sunday Worship: 11 a.m. Youth: 7:30, Sunday Adult Bible Study: 7:30, Sun. Wed. Bible Study: 8:00 p.m. Pastor - Gary Gumfory

Oslo Lutheran Church (ECLA) 6 Miles West & 12 Miles North of Gruver 339-7709 Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Worship: 11 a.m.

**Gruver United Methodist** Broadway & Garrett 733-2651 Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Worship. 8:30 & 10:50 a.m. Eve. Worship & UMY: 6 p.m. Pastor - Jerry Moore

Spanish Cristo Redentor Church Sunday Mass: 1:30 p.m Friday Evening Mass Summer - 8:00 p.m. Fall/Winter - 7:30 p.m

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Morse Baptist Church 733-2757 Pastor - Mike Martin

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Over the next few weeks I will be sharing some inspirational lenten mediations. I hope you enjoy them.

I walked swiftly into the sanctuary at my husband's side. As the congregational singing began, we slid into our usual seats. After the notes of the last song faded, a member of the worship team approached the platform. He opened his Bible and began reading from John 13. As I looked up at the stained glass window that filled the wall behind the podium, the familiar words of Scripture flowed over and around me.

Oh, the passage about Jesus washing feet, I said to myself. He'll probably finish with the routine mini-sermon on Jesus' servanthood and how we should be servants, too.

Instead, he talked about our needs, very individual and very current, to have our own feet washed by Jesus. I had never thought of it that way. I had always seen the story of Jesus washing His friends' feet as detached from me. So what if He washed their feet? This was extremely practical considering the dust and dirt they had to walk through every day. And in a spiritual sense, whose feet could need more washing than men who would scatter and abandon Him for money?

In the past, I had convinced myself that the foot washing had nothing to do with me. Now, as we knelt for prayer, my head was so full of what I'd just heard that I could not concentrate. Mental images of the original scene filled my mind's eye as if I were watching it happen for the first time. While His followers continued to eat and talk among themselves, Jesus rose from the cushions and crossed the room to a basin of water and a white cloth. The cloth He tied around His waist, knotting it securely in the back. The basin He carried to one of His friends, then He stooped at his feet and waited for permission to begin.

A hush fell over the room. The men's faces showed dismay, disbelief, embarrassment, or shock. Each man looked questioningly at the others, no one knowing what to say or think. The man they knew was God was asking to wash their feet as if He were a common houseboy. In the atmosphere of bewilderment, Jesus gently but firmly scrubbed away the layers of grime.

As He moved from man to man, the gleaming white towel turned brown. Peter watched with horror as Jesus stooped on the floor before him. All that was in him cried that this should not happen. Why should Jesus be stained by the dirt Peter had walked through that day? Jesus was God, high and exalted, the ruler of the universe and the fulfillment of all prophecy, not a lowly servant required to wash feet.

So an astonished Peter hastily said no. No one knew Peter's fervent, still imperfect love better that Jesus did. So He said, "Unless I wash you, you have no part with me (In. 13:8).

To which He received the impassioned reply, "Then, Lord...not just my feet but my hands and my head as well!" (v.9) These things are easily

By his belief in Jesus, Peter had already been made clean spiritually. This is why Jesus said to him, "A person who has had a bath needs only to wash his feet" (v.10). The rest of Peter remained clean, but his feet still needed a bath from walking through his daily life.

Jesus cleansed my heart years ago, but my feet still take me where it can get pretty dirty. Just today, I stepped in a huge puddle of frustration when a neighbor's grandson shattered my peace with too many decibels from his wanna-be band. I'm aware that my urge to hurl a brick at his keyboard is not a godly desire. It is just one more bit of everyday dirt that must be removed so I can walk clean with Jesus.

My feet have become soiled by trudging through swamps of anger, resentment, and bitterness. They are splattered with the muck of indifference to other people's pain and the rationalization of my inaction. I have sunk to my knees in the quicksand of self-pity, afraid I could never get out.

These callused feet are dirty, cracked, and painful, and their stench is enough to make my eyes water. I am mortified that Jesus should even

My first reaction is like Peter's. I, too, wail, "Oh Lord, I can't have you wash my feet!" I find myself wanting to warn Jesus, to talk Him out of it, as though He does not know what He is doing. Can He truly realize what I walk through?

Even so, Jesus assures me that He genuinely wants to cleanse my feet, He is not ashamed of me. He sees where my feet have been and why. He sees their ultimate destination. Though He knows better than anyone all I have walked through, yet He kneels before me and asks permission to wash my feet. His humility is contagious.

I am amazed by His matchless love for me, demonstrated in the practical overflowing of grace and healing. Oh, yes, Lord! Please wash my

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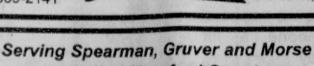
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Holt Club Scholarship

The Holt Club will provide a \$500 scholarship to a graduating senior from Spearman High School. Interested students should contact Glenda Guthrie. Deadline for application is April 28, 2000.

Spring Soccer Sign-Up

The Hansford Soccer Association is now accepting new players for the Spring Soccer League. Boys and girls, ages 4-15, are welcome. The season will begin March 11th and will go through April 8th. To sign-up, or for more information, contact Rick Patrick at 659-2619 or Alfred Avila at 659-3830.

Walk Across Texas

Walk Across Texas is a fun and flexible way to exercise. It provides people with the necessary support to not only start walking, but also find a group that can keep them walking even when they feel like quitting. Teams are made up of eight people who want to keep track of the amount they walk for 8 weeks. Walking, running, biking, aerobics, swimming, all count in th total mileage. Exercise can be done individually or with team members. About 6,000 Texans participated in the program last year with 160 of those being from Hansford County. Immediate benefits include increased energy levels and feeling less stressed. This year we are offering a weight management letter series with the program. To find out how you can Walk Across Texas, call Peggy Winegarner, County Extension Agent, at 659-4130 or 733-2901.

"Shut Up, Stop Whining, and Build Your Business" Seminar All businesses start small, but no business has to stay that way. If you want to build a stronger more profitable company and enjoy your life at the same time, don't miss this workshop, Tuesday, March 21 at 7:00 p.m. O'Loughlin Center, in Spearman. Don Taylor, co-author of the best-selling business classic "Up Against the Wal-Marts" and author of "Solid Gold Success Strategies For Your Business," will present the seminar. He writes the internationally syndicated column "Minding Your Own Business" which is published in more than 100 newspapers and trade journals. Call Peggy Winegarner, County Extension Agent, at 659-4130 or 733-2901 for more information.

Cancer Screening Clinic

The Women's Center of the Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer. Center and Baptist St. Anthony's Health System in conjunction with Hansford County Hospital will conduct a Breast Cancer Screening Clinic at 712 South Roland, in Spearman on March 27, 2000. Breast cancer affects one in eight women. Participants will receive a low-cost screening mammogram. Each woman screened will receive a breast health risk appraisal and individual instruction by a registered nurse in breast self-examination. Funding is available through the Texas Department of Health for Texas residents who qualify for assistance. All exams are done by appointment only. Call (806) 356-1905 or toll free 1-800-377-4673 for more information.

**Basic Computer Class** A Basic Computer Class will be offered in the Spearman High School Computer Lab April 4th, 6th, 11th and 13th, at 7:00 p.m. The instructor will be Lisa Short, and the cost of the class will be \$50.00. This is an introductory, beginners, hands-on computer course designed to give the user an understanding of basic computer functions and the Windows Operating System. For more information, contact Cindy Blackman at 659-3233.

Emmaus Reunion Scheduled

An Emmaus Reunion Group meeting will be held on Monday, March 20th at 7:00 p.m. in the home of Ken and Roberta Cole, 1017-Linn Drive. Anyone who has been on a Walk to Emmaus is invited to attend.

Covered Dish Agape Party
A Covered Dish Agape Party will be held on Sunday, April 2nd at the First United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall following morning worship serv ice. Anyone who has ever attended a Walk to Emmaus is encouraged to

**Gruver Emmaus Reunion** An Emmaus Reunion Group meeting will be held in Gruver on Saturday, March 25th at 7:00 p.m. in the home of Ronnie and Lisa King, 814 S.

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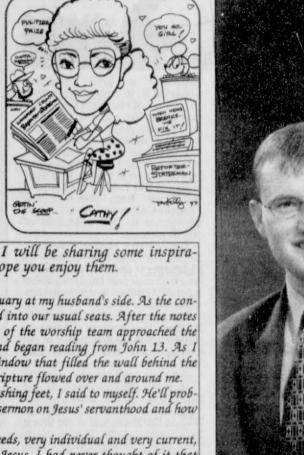
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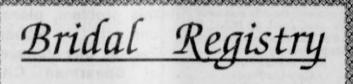
## Engagement Announcement

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Torre Conway and Walter Douthit of St. Francis, KS, wish to announce the engagement of their daughter, Teresa Douthit to Galen Slough. Galen is the son of Kenneth and Alice Slough of Gruver, TX.

Teresa and Galen are both graduate students at Kansas State University, where Galen is studying agricultural economics, and Teresa is focusing on horse nutrition.

A July 22, 2000 wedding is being planned.



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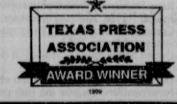
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## Among The Neighbors

by Helen Fisher

Peggy and Alton Ellsworth are still catching up on sleep after an absence of about two weeks Accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Troy Mays of Amarillo, they flew to Honolulu on February 20. They attended the annual meeting of the supporters of the Hawaiian Baptist Academy. This is a private Christian school for students kindergarten through high school. Watching the elaborate performances of the students with exhibitions at both of the campuses was very entertaining and interesting.

After Honolulu they spent three days on Kona, Hawaii. They then flew back to Los Angeles ,and reached Spearman Saturday.
They left immediately for Las

Vegas, where the convention of Showest Theater members was to he held. Gary Ellsworth drove with them and also attended the convention. After three days, they arrived home and plan to stay -- for awhile.

A picture and item relating to the 40th wedding anniversary of Wallie and Jane Cayton of Amarillo was carried by the Sunday Amarillo News-Globe.

The anniversary will be celebrated by a family trip to Las Vegas this month and a trip to Atlanta in April to attend part of the Masters Golf Tournament.

Wallie graduated from Spearman High in 1949 and married Jane Johnson in 1960. They have lived in Amarillo the entire 40 years, and retired teachers. They have two children, one of New York, and one of

Garland, and one grandchild. Wallie is a brother of Martha Haden.

Maxine Banister loaded her bags and departed Spearman on Saturday. She has sold her home and moved to Amarillo. She expresses appreciation for the many kindnesses shown her and regrets leaving her friends in Spearman but feels it is the wisest move due to her health problems. She will be living at the Clairmont where assisted care is available, and will be visiting here when possible.

Maxine, the daughter of the late R.C.and Maude Bennett,came with her family to Spearman in 1927. She is the only survivor of their family, and her husband and two sons are also deceased.

She always has and will consider Spearman her home, though she lived eight years in Steamboat Springs and eight years in Brady before coming hack to Spearman.

Best wishes go with Maxine.

Old friends surprised and delighted Ora Lee Blackburn Saturday Amarillo with his daughter, Nicole, and her little daughter of

They are formerly of Spearman and Nicole was born here. Her mother was Mary Catherine Jones Parris, deceased.

They also visited Nicole's relatives in Morse, the Dixon family.

Cheryl and Rick Sander, with daughter Nicole and son Travis, had a most interesting week during spring break.

On Friday they flew to Las Angeles, then to Maui Island, Hawaii. Due to a ticket snafu, they were delayed in L.A. and had to take a later flight than scheduled.

In Hawaii their sight-seeing included the spectacular waterfalls, watching whales while on a boat cruise, wonderful restaurants,the beaches and the shops.

On Wednesday they flew to the island of Kauai and toured by a rented car in the mountains with steep, sharp numerous curves - not a relaxing drive in the high peaks, but going through the process of growing and steps in production of pineapple was interesting and edu-

Brenda Winegarner returned from a two weeks stay in Boston with her parents, two sisters and an aunt. Since Brenda grew up in Boston, she had seen all the historical places and enjoyed a relaxed time with her relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Vinson were pleased to have guests over the weekend.

Her sister Josephine and Wayne Hines came from Seminole to the with them.

Karen and Buford Babitzke's guests for the weekend were son Brandon and Misti Babitzke from Tulsa; daughter Cari Baker of Lubbock, and son Jason of

Betty Hazlewood enjoyed greeting old friends in First Baptist Church on Sunday, first time in several months. She has been taking treatments in Amarillo, and her Debbie Needham, brought her home last week. Pearl Pierce is keeping in touch with her. Betty reports her health is improving after receiving specialized care.

Guest of the Roscoe Nelsons and Joanne Eaton from Wednesday to Monday was the Nelson's daughter, Rhonda Burress of Ft. Gibson, OK. The Nelson's other daughter, Donna and Jack Vanderburg came from Dalhart on Saturday to join them. Jack also visited his family mem-

Several families and church groups enjoyed snow skiing in the mountains during spring break. Names were not available by press time last week and by the time this would be read, it would hardly be news.

Astute philosopher Worley Smith comments that the only person who, in making a public speech, can foul up and fall flat and not be laughed at - is a comedian. (who better than Worley would know?)

Dwayne gave it his best effort and reports for the week of March 6th to the 13th - .34 moisture (1.14 for the month). The highest temperature was on March 6th at 82; the lowest on both the 9th and 11th at

## Thank You

The family of Bill Blackman would like to thank our many friends and family for all your acts of kindness shown to us during this

Your prayers, cards, donations, and food were so greatly appreciated. The many words of praise and admiration about Bill will certainly help us in the days to come. Susie Blackman; Monty and Cindy

Blackman and Family; and Peggy Blackman and Family

## Thank You

The family of Lewis Frantz wishes to thank everyone for their expression of love, sympathy, prayers and for the many kind words spoken of Lewis, also for your visits while he was in the Hospice Care Unit in the Manor.

We appreciate Brother Harper for the message he brought, for the choir who sang most beautifully, for the pallbearers (who stood in the chilling wind), and for the ladies who prepared the delicious food.

We also want to thank Bob Boxwell and all who helped Lewis on his last journey on this earth. In Christian Love,

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# At The Lake

by Dorothy Hudson Lake Depth--March 13, 2000--49.70 feet

Max Taylor of Spearman brought by the picture of one of the two 10 pound plus channel catfish he had caught last week. Rex Reid of Gruver, with minnows as bait hauled in a 5# walleye, but when he showed it to Jim, Jim was out of

Jim spent Tuesday through Friday at Galveston in the annual Texas Water Conservation Association meeting. He and Jack Lane flew down from Amarillo, but Kenneth and Margarette Evans drove down. Jim said it was a good, informative convention.

There were 8 boats on the Lake Sunday at one time. The breeze that came up was a little cool, but several are eager to get out and fish or just enjoy being out on the water.

For some reason, coyotes seem more abundant than usual at the

Through the efforts of Oneida Bynum, we now know where James Harry McGee, our first Hansford County Sheriff, took his family when he left Vega in 1913. In September of 1998 she put a query about him on the Oldham County Query website. On this past Saturday, a great grandson answered it. In reply to my e-mail to him, he said he didn't have a picgrandson ture either. We are now hoping he will be interested enough to visit with the numerous relatives, and that someone in the family will have a picture. I have found a pic-ture of McGee in a group in front of a store at Old Tascosa. but I hope to do better. Both Hansford and Oldham Counties are trying to add his picture to their collections of sheriff pictures.

James Harry McGee moved his family to Stanilaus County in California and lived below Stockton at or near Hughson, where he died October 8, 1925 at sixty seven years.

His youngest son, Thomas T. McGee, was born in Tascosa in 1908. He was the grandfather of our correspondent. Unfortunately Tom died last December.

We have not been able to prove that Harry McGee lived in the house that became known in our time as the Gibner place, but Wilson Buchanan said at one time it was known as the McGee place. Now there is another clue or maybe false trail that may tie to that house. Pat Bullis wrote in an article, "In 1877, when I was five years old, my father moved a small herd of cattle



to the Panhandle, bringing the family along in a wagon. Our range adjoined the Three Sevens (777)... When we came here in '77, we built a sod house, which my people used as a home for several years, or until about the time I went to work for the Three Sevens [1881]."

It has come to our phone line customers may have had delays in getting new phone Robert contact Patrick, City Manager at Spearman City Hail, (806) 659-2524.

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James Madison, fourth President of the United States, born at Port Conway, King George County, Va., 1751.

Georg S. Ohm, German physicist, born 1787. -United States Military Academy founded at West Point, N.Y., 1802.

March 17

St. Patrick's Day.

British evacuated Boston, 1776. March 18

John C. Calhoun, American statesman, born 1782. Grover Cleveland, 22nd and 24th President of the United States, born in Caldwell, N.J., 1837

Nikolai Rimsky-Korsakov, Russian composer, born 1844.
 Rudolf Diesel, German inventor, born 1858.

March 19
-Missionary and explorer David Livingstone born 1813. -Political leader William Jennings Bryan born 1860. -Ballet producer Sergei Diaghilev born 1872.

Henrik Ibsen, Norwegian poet and dramatist, born 1828. -Lauritz Melchior, Danish tenor, born 1890.

-Johann Sebastian Bach, German composer, born 1685. -Benito Juarez, Mexican political leader, born 1806. -Modest Mussorgsky, Russian composer, born 1839.

March 22

Sir Anthony Van Dyck, Flemish painter, born 1599. Randolph Caldecott, English illustrator, born 1846. Robert Millikan, American physicist, born 1868

-Patrick Henry, according to tradition, declared "Give me liberty, or give me death!" 1775. Roger Martin du Gard, French novelist and Nobel Prize-winner for

literature, born 1881. March 24 William Morris, English poet and artist, born 1834.

Andrew Mellon, American financier, born 1855.

March 25

Lord Baltimore's colonists landed in Maryland, 1634. British Parliament abolished slave trade, 1807.

Arturo Toscanini, Italian conductor, born 1867 Bela Bartok, Hungarian composer, born 1881.

A. E. Housman, English poet, born 1859

Robert Frost, American poet, born 1874.

James Conant, American chemist and educator, born 1893. Tennessee Williams, American playwright, born 1911. Sandra Day O'Connor, first woman justice of Supreme Court of the United States, born 1930.

Louis XVII of France born 1785.

States and Japan, 1854.

Lithographer Nathaniel Currier born 1813. Wilhelm Roentgen, German physicist who discovered X rays, born

Ludwig Mies van der Rohe, German-born architect, born 1886.

March 28

Pierre Laplace, French astronomer and mathematician, born 1749.

-Aristide Briand, French statesman, born 1862.

John Tyler, 10th President of the United States, born at Greenway

Estate, Charles City County, Va., 1790. Parliament passed the British North America Act, 1867. Cy Young, American baseball player, born 1867

March 30

Francisco Goya, Spanish painter, born 1746.

-Treaty of Paris ended the Crimean War, 1856.

-United States purchased Alaska from Russia, 1867. Amendment 15 to the U.S. Constitution, stating that a person cannot

be denied the ballot because of race or color, proclaimed, 1870.
Albert Einstein announced revised Unified Field Theory, 1953. March 31

Rene Descartes, French philosopher-scientist, born 1596. Joseph Haydn, Austrian composer, born 1732. Commodore Matthew C. Perry made the first treaty between the United

United States took possession of the Virgin Islands by purchase from Denmark, 1917.

Daylight Saving Time went into effect in the United States, 1918.

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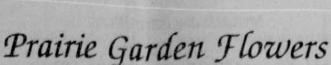
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# The Gruver Grapevine

An early spring storm with winds in excess of 89 mph caused damage the Gruver area on Tuesday, March 7. The storm which hit Graver near 3 p.m.resulted in students being kept in school buildings and buses delayed until its passage In the elementary, a tornado drill, which gave students familiarity with tornado procedures and also provided safety to the students had the storm produced a tornado, was implemented.

A quonset building with a brick front on Main Street had a large section of brick removed in the storm's passing. At least two carports were completely destroyed and several center-pivot irrigation sprinklers

were toppled.
Al McNeely reported that there was only a temporary "blink " in electricity service. He reported two electrical poles west of Morse were downed in the storm's path.

Due to the high winds, an accurate rainfall measurement was virtually impossible. Officially, the City of Gruver recorded .14 inch of rain.

#### Sotelo Family Welcomes Baby Boys

The Sotelo family was blessed with two bundles of joy in one week. On March 4, 2000, Danny and Kendra Sotelo of Tulia welcomed son Marcos Antoney. Weighing eight pounds and three ounces, the little lad measured 20 inches long. Marcos Antoney has an older brother, Kameron Miquel, 3.

On March 9, 2000, Tony and ReBecca Sotelo of Amarillo welcomed their son Michael Andrew. The baby boy weighted eight pounds and 7 ounces and was 20 1/2 inches long. Little Michael Andrew has an older sister, Victoria LeAnn, 2

Juan and Paula Sotel, who have resided in Gruver for thirty years, are the proud grandparents. Juan works for the City of Spearman. Both Tony and Danny were born in Gruver and graduated from Gruver High School.

One-Act Play to Perform 'Antic Spring," GHS's one act play, will be presented for zone competition at 3 p.m. on Tuesday, March 21st, at Shamrock High School.

According to director, Ginger Bartee, the play centers around the relations of six oddly assorted teenagers put to the trials and tribulations of a picnic which results in situations of great merriment and fast, flippant dialogue.

Cast members include Greg Ehrenberg as Robert, Kaycee Howe as Ginger, Cory Schneider as Sam, Chase Lamb as Elbert, and Holly Hart as Blossom.

#### Gruver to Host Track and Tennis Meets

It will be a duo of sporting events as Gruver hosts both a tennis tournament and a track meet Friday and

Saturday, March 17 and 18. The track meet will be under the direction of coaches Doug Frick, Jim Davis, and John Duncan with many helpers from the community assisting in duties. Tennis coach Roy Mayhew will be supervising

the tennis meet

The GHS Band Boosters will be selling charbroiled hamburgers at the event with proceeds to benefit the band.

#### School Board Meets

Members of the GISD Board of Trustees and superintendent Laura Blassingame met in regular session on Monday, March 6, 2000. The following visitors were received: Richard Schad, Gerald TeBeest, Alan Rhodes, Charles Haight, Larry Bartee, and Mike Babbs.

After the approval of the minutes. the motion was made to pay bills in the amount of \$68,582.70 with the exception of Gruver Farm Supply. Abstaining were Benny Wilson, Terry Sherril, and Jody Irwin.

Buddy Lowe made the motion to approve lease of the school farm to Richard Schad at \$22,500 per year. After a second by David Grotegut, the motion was approved 7-0.

After a unanimous approval of the Textbook Committee Report, Wilson made the motion to name J. Mack Hoel as Gruver ISD auditor for the 1999-2000 school year. Mike Yanke seconded the motion, and it was approved 7-0.

The Board of Trustees' authorpayment of Shelia Watley's legal fees concerning claim of First Amendment violation upon release of claims towards district failed due to lack of a motion.

Before entering executive session for approximately two hours and 50 minutes, the board unanimously approved board training hours.

The board approved the paying of Gruver Farm Supply in the amount of 1,191.13 with members David Grotegut and Yanke abstaining.

Discussion items reviewed were Charles Haight's certification reassignment request and the superintendent's report on campus enrollment, student's actions resulting in Alternate Education Plan, the status of employee suspension, and in-

FFA Begins Judging Season Members of the Gruver FFA judging teams will be competing at Nolan County on March 18.

#### **Utilities Supervisor Office** Expanded

Robert Blount, Gruver Utilities Supervisor, and Mark Washburn are currently incorporating a portion of the hall in an effort to expand the floor space of the office. The area has been sheet rocked and will be completed very shortly.

#### Important Dates for GHS

Students March Tuesday. and March 23 - High Wednesday, school UIL Academic Meet, Amarillo College

Saturday, March 25 - Junior Senior Prom

Monday, May 1 - Athletic

Friday, May 5 - Last day for reg-ular registration for June 10 ACT

Friday, March 31 - Last day for regular registration for May 6 SAT

#### Sympathy Expressed

Wayne Rose, the brother-in-law

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#### **Junior High Parents Meeting** Scheduled

A workshop for junior high parints will be held on Thursday, March 23, 2000, at 7 p.m. in the junior high library for parents to answer questions concerning the TAAS test. The session will be conducted by Cathy Potts, Gruver ISD Counselor, with Zeke Castro, Region XVI Counselor, conducting a special session in Spanish. Parents are encouraged to attend and learn everything they always wanted to know about the Texas Assessment of Academic Skills.

There will be a drawing for door prizes during the meeting.

#### Get Well Wishes

GHS junior Clint Swink injured several ligaments in his ankle while playing basketball at school. He hopes to return to tennis competition in the very near future.

Ricky Finley is using crutches as he recuperates from ankle surgery.

Our Don Morley is in hospice in Perryton. Don is not needing visitors at the present would but would appreciate the prayers of the com-

#### Teams Open Track Season **GHS** Boys Results

3200 Meter Run - Oscar Cruz, 400 Meter Relay - Villalobos, Weller, Pessoa, Hernandez, 5th,

110 Meter Hurdles - Jason Shoulders, 3rd 15.90

100 Meter Dash - Daniel Hernandez, 2nd, 11.44. 400 Meter Dash Schneider, 3rd, 53.3; Bradley

Duncan, 5th, 54 300 Meter Hurdles - Shoulders, 3rd, 43.23; Greg Ehrenberg, 5th. 200 Meter Dash - Daniel

Hernandez, 5th., 23.68 1600 Meter Run - Oscar Cruz, 6th, 5:24.13

1600 Meter Relay - Ehrenberg, Duncan, Schneider, Pessoa, 3rd

High Jump - Shoulders 1st, 6'6"; Kade Carthel, 2nd, 6' Long Jump - Schneider, 2nd, 19'

Triple Jump - Shoulders 4th, 39' 2" Schneider 5th, 37'1/2"

#### Junior Varsity Boys Results 800 Meter Run - Gabriel Cruz, 2nd, 2:23.57

100 Meter Dash - Taos Weldon . 4th, 12.07 200 Meter Dash - Weldon, 1st,

1600 Meter Relay - Salazar, Gabriel Cruz, Bevill, and Santillian,

High Jump - Kasey Harris, 2nd

**Varsity Girls** 3200 Meter Run - Elizabeth

Duncan, 4th

400 Meter Relay - Sammie Stavlo, 2nd

100 Meter Dash - Stavlo, 6th 200 Meter Dash - Stavlo, 2nd 800 Meter Relay - Clift, Watley, shoulders, T. Yanke, 3rd High Jump - Jenna Shoulders,

**Eighth Grade Girls** 100 Meter Hurdles - Teal Armes

5th., Courtney Goad, 6th 200 Meter Dash - Jenny Hart, 6th 1200 Meter Run - Carley Bryson, 800 Meter Relay - Hart, Bryson,

Armes, Goad, 6th Discus - Goad, 1st, 82'6"

Seventh Grade Girls 200 Meter Dash - Angelica Huerta, 4th 400 Meter Dash - Huerta, 2nd 800 Meter Relay - Hernandez.

Junior High Boys Results No coach's report provided.

Osbourne, Reid, Travis, 6th

## Tennis Team Posts Win The duo of Annie Mayhew and

Krystal Deeds posted a third place win in the Canyon tennis tournament on Saturday.

#### **GHS Grads Coordinate Event** Jason Ward, 1996 GHS graduate and Heath Tolleson, 1995, GHS graduate, were praised in a letter to the editor of the Lubbock Avalanche

Journal for their work in coordinating PikeFest. The annual event is held at the Lubbock Civic Center and features top entertainment and fun in an effort to raise funds for the Outreach Center of Lubbock whose mission is to prevent child abuse and neglect.

The event which is usually coordinated by professionals was the eleven month work of Ward and Tolleson.

In her letter of praise, Lynnette Wilson, executive director of the Family Outreach Center, stated, You will stand in awe of the young people of tomorrow and the good work that is taking place in our community to help non-profits raise money to accomplish their mission. What fine young men we have living in and contributing to the

Lubbock community."
Ward, the son of Rhonda and J.W. Ward, and Tolleson, the son of Carol and Bob Tolleson, saw the successful efforts of their work on February 25, 2000, in the entertainment extravaganza which featured The Great Divide, the Bellamy Brothers, and Jerry Jeff Walker.

## Church to Host Spring Meeting "Got questions? Ask Jesus."

Studies from the Sermon on the Mount will be the topic of the spring gospel meeting of the Gruver Church of Christ.

The series will be March 19-22 2000. Sunday times include 9:30 a.m. - Sunday School, 10:20 a.m. -Worship followed by a noon fellow-

ship luncheon, and 5:00 p.m.evening worship. Each weekday Monday through Wednesday, there will be a great start devotional at 7:30 a.m. and evening service at 7:30 p.m. On Monday night, there will be a dinner at 6:15 p.m. for persons whose last name begins with letters A-K, on Tuesday night, letters L-Z. Wednesday night's service will conclude with a dessert and

Guest speaker for the event will be Ray Young of Plains, TX. All are invited to attend.

### Golf Team Places Seventh

In their first tournament of the season, the GHS Boys Gold Team finished seventh in a field of 12

Derik Grotegut paced the Hounds with an 86 followed by Dallas Henson - 91, Brian Goad - 99, Dan Odom - 102, and Brady Hart - 133.

## **GHS Golf Schedule**

Booker - Girls Friday, March 10, 10 a.m. Booker - Boys Saturday March

11, 10 a.m. Shamrock - Girls Monday, March

13, 9 a.m. Shamrock - Boys Tuesday, March 14, 9 a.m.

Dalhart - Boys Monday, March 20, 9 a.m. Dalhart - Girls Tuesday, March

14, 9 a.m. District? Boys/Girls Monday March 27,

District? - Boys/Girls, Monday, April 3 Regional - Boys/Girls April 24

State - Boys/Girls May 8-9

#### City Commission Meets

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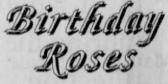
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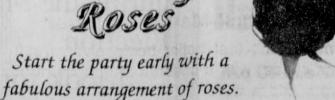
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## Rotary President-Elect To Speak In Borger



Mr. Rick King

The Borger and Pampa, Texas Rotary Clubs have combined with Rotary District 5730 to host International Rotary President Elect Mr. Rick King of Fremont, CA at a Regional Rotary Convention to be held on Friday, March 24, 2000 at 7:00 p.m. at the Frank Phillips College Community Activity Center in Borger. All 54 clubs in District 5730 have been invited to attend this historic event. This will be the first time in 90 years of Rotary history that an incoming International President has visited the Region. District 5730 represents the Texas Panhandle and extends as far south as the Midland, Odessa area. The Borger and Pampa clubs have now extended this invitation to Rotary Clubs in surrounding

states, as this is a rare opportunity to hear and meet this inspirational speaker.

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King's program "Who Touched You" deals with the values and benefits of Rotary Membership. The program will relate his inspiration for his phenomenal success in Rotary and in his life. King has asked that each Rotarian and their spouse bring at least one guest; a potential member.

Richard D. "Rick" King is the President Nominee of Rotary International. He is a Past International Director and Past Chairman of the Executive Committee of the Board. He is currently a Trustee of The Rotary Foundation serving a four-year term which expires in 2000.

Rick has served twice as International Assembly Instructor, many times as Representative of the President of Rotary International and as Keynote Speaker at District Conferences, Rotary Foundation Seminars, District Assemblies, President's Training Seminars and Zone Institutes in 35 Counties. He has addressed Rotary International Assemblies, International Institutes and has participated in

Rotary in 64 Nations.

Rick speaks to many businesses and civic conferences. A prominent Alameda County (California) Trial Lawyer, Rick is a partner in the San Leandro Law Firm of King, King & King. He is a graduate of U.C. Berkley with three degrees from this institute. He is admitted to practice in both California and Utah, and before the Supreme Court of the United States.

Rick has been the featured speaker at hundreds of Rotary Clubs in the U.S. and Canada including the Rotary Clubs of Washington, DC, Philadelphia, Chicago (ROTARY ONE); Cincinnati, Toronto, Dallas, Tulsa, Los Angeles, San Diego, Houston, Denver, Detroit, Vancouver, Anchorage, Honolulu, and clubs in most every state.

Rick is a recipient of the Two

Rick is a recipient of the Two Diamond-Major Donor Paul Harris fellowship, as is his wife, Cherie. Rick and Cherie reside in the

Mission San Hose area of Fremont, CA. They have two sons, Rob and Tv.

Ty.

The theme for the event will be "Paradise." Local arrangements are being hosted by the Borger Rotarians and Frank Phillips College. The college hosts many large conventions throughout the year and will cater the meal. The Frank Phillips College Quartet, under the leadership of Dr. Judy Strecker, will provide entertainment. Seating for the event is limited to 600. Tickets are \$25 each and may be purchased from any Rotarian President before March 17, 2000. No tickets will be sold at

## **Beedy Wins Tennis Title**

The Spearman High School Tennis Teams attended the Canyon Tennis Tournament on Friday, March 10th. Listed below are the results.

Boys Singles Kevin Beedy

Beedy - 8 vs. Burson - 0 Beedy - 6-6 vs. Genizel - 0-0 Beedy - 6-6 vs. Urratia 0-0 Beedy - 6-6 vs. Powell - 0-3 Beedy - 6-6 vs. Danselt - 0-1

Coaches Comments: Kevin played very well. He was the #2 seed. Kevin defeated the #4 seed 6-0, 6-1 in the finals to win the Singles Championship.

Adam Cherry

Cherry - 8 vs. Martin - 0 Cherry - 4-2 vs. Smith 6-6

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Coaches Comments: Adam won his first match easily, but then played the #1 seed. Adam competed hard and made it a good match.

Chad Scarborough

Scarborough - 0 vs. Johnson - 8 Scarborough - 8 vs. Rasco - 3 Scarborough - 4 vs. Dagley - 8

Coaches Comments: Chad won his first match in the consolation side of the bracket. He made it to Consolation Quarter-Finals.

Boys Doubles

Matt Davis & Jeramy Mackie

Davis/Mackie - 6-7 vs. Hathaway/Hathaway 0-5 Davis/Mackie - 6-2-6 vs. Davis/Jobe - 2-6-1 Davis/Mackie - 1-2 vs. Sea/Kelley - 6-6

Davis/Mackie - 3-2 vs. Roberson/Souder - 6-6

Coaches Comments: Matt and Jeramy won their first two matches to get to the winner's bracket semi-finals. They finished 4th over-all and did a good job.

Garrett Griffin & Kolby Sumner

Griffin/Sumner - 8 vs. Lennigan/Pyle - 1 Griffin/Sumner - 7-6 vs. Bennett/Chaparro 6-3 Griffin/Sumner - 1-4 vs. Roberson/Souder - 6-6

Coaches Comments: Garrett and Kolby also played well, but couldn't get by the Wellington team in the Quarter-Finals. Garrett and Kolby surprised themselves a little bit and hope to do even better in Plainview.

Girls Singles Sally Pittman

Pittman - 8 vs. Peters - 0 Pittman - 6-6 vs. Hartline

Pittman - 6-6 vs. Hartline - 0-1 Pittman - 3-4 vs. Harriger - 6-6

Coaches Comments: Sally advanced to the Quarter-Finals as the #2 seed with good wins over Wellington and Fort Elliott players. Sally lost to the eventual champion (Harriger) in the Quarter-Finals.

Audrey Winegarner

Winegarner - 0 vs. Bush - 8 Winegarner - 8 vs. Trevino - 2

Winegarner - 4 vs. Foster - 8

Coaches Comments: Audrey played her first ever singles matches at Canyon. She had a tough draw in the first round. The girl she played there advanced to the Semi-Finals. Audrey won her next match and advanced to the Consolation Quarter-Finals.

For additional information, contact Roger Sepulveda, President of the Borger Club at (806) 274-2279 or Jeff Boyd of the Pampa Club at (806) 665-0633, or District 5730 Governor Dudley Faver of Lubbock at (806) 744-0545.

#### Funds Available For Welfare Assist

The Texas Department of Human Services (DHS) announced plans to seek proposals from community organizations to help low-income Texans. The ultimate goal of the initiative is to increase the quality of life among welfare recipients, and those who are at risk of becoming welfare recipients. DHS will fund community groups with up to \$250,000 each.

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Funding for this initiative comes from \$7 million in funds earmarked for these projects in House Bill 1, which was passed by the Legislature, and signed by the Governor, last year. In 1999, DHS funded 16 community projects. This year, DHS will award approximately \$2,870,000 to community organizations.

Community organizations interested in submitting proposals should contact Bo Platt at 512-438-3450, or by e-mail at bo.platt@dhs.state.tx.us.

It's A Boy!

Garrett and Mika Gumfory of Spearman wish to announce the birth of their son, Samuel Mac Gumfory on March 2, 2000 at 6:47 p.m. at Baptist St. Anthony's Hospital in Amarillo, TX, Samuel weighed 9 pounds, 2 3/4 ounces, and was 21 inches in length.

Proud grandparents are Vernon and Ann Pipkin of Spearman and Mike and Carla Johnson of Morse. Great-grandparents include Doris Jean Pipkin, Mary Schumann, and Carl and Peggy Archer, all of Spearman.

It's A Boy!

Danny and Kendra Sotelo of Tulia wish to announce the birth of their son, Marcos Antoney Sotelo on March 4, 2000 at 7:03 p.m. at Baptist St. Anthony's Hospital in Amarillo, TX. Marcos weighed 8 pounds 3 ounces, and was 20 inches long.

Welcoming Marcos home was three-year-old big brother, Kameron liguel Sotelo.

Proud grandparents are Juan and Paula Sotelo of Gruver, Margie Teel of Tulia, and Dale Teel and Karen Parcirrel of Norman, OK. Great-grandparents are Guadalupe Sotelo of Ft. Worth and Lucille Shipman of Canyon.

It's A Boy!

Tony and ReBecca Sotelo of Amarillo wish to announce the birth of their son, Michael Andrew Sotelo on March 9, 2000 at 3:07 a.m. in Northwest

Texas Hospital in Amarillo. Michael weighed 8 pounds 7 ounces, and was 20 1/2 inches

Michael was welcomed home by two-year-old big sister, Victoria LeAnn Sotelo.

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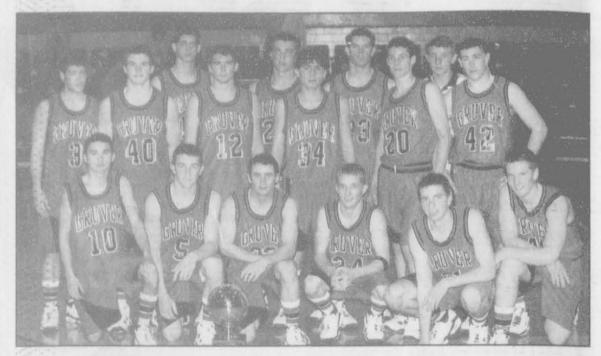
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## 1999-2000 Gruver Greyhounds Regional Quarterfinal Champs

(Back Row, L-R) Colby Hunt, Cory Schneider, Jason Shoulders, Derik Grotegut, Bray Armes, Hugo Hernandez, Kade Carthel, Sean Cone, Kasey Harris, Brady Hart; (Front Row, L-R) Anthony Villalogos, Dallas Henson, Aaron WEller, Dan Odom, Kyler Barkley, and Kirby Johnson.



## 1999-2000 Gruver Lady Hounds

(Back Row, L-R) Coach Steve Myatt, Julie May, Kalee Holt, Janae Watley, Amy Watley, Lisa Johnson, Coach Jim Davis; (Middle Row, L-R) Brandi Griffin, Annie Mayhew, Sarah Moore, Brooke Bevill, Tessa Yanke, Sammie Stavlo, Kim Boyd, Alicia Alvarez - Manager; (Front Row, L-R) Kasey Cazares and Brittney Morris

## **Shot Ends Hounds' Hopes**

by Harletta Carthel

Destiny was decided in less than two seconds on Friday night for the Gruver High School Hound basket-

In an emotional roller coaster game that pitted the Hounds against the Paducah Dragons in the first round of the regional basketball tournament at Levelland, the Hounds season and playoff hopes ended in a 50-47 loss to Paducah.

The Dragons' win came with 1.5 seconds left when Paducah senior Steven Dozier sank a three-pointer to break a 47 tie game and advance the Dragons to the finals of the regional tourney. Although Gruver led the first quarter with Paducah leading at the second and third quarter, the two teams were tied at 1:50 in the fourth at 44 and in the last seconds of the game at 47.

In first quarter action, the Hounds lit up the scoreboard with a three-point shot by Dan Odom. Sean Cone later followed suit with another three. The lead bounced back and forth in the period, but the Hounds seemed to have the edge at the end of the quarter with a 12-9 lead and Paducah starter Eric Richardson nicking up his second foul.

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With good rebounding by the Hounds at the beginning of the second quarter and a third foul called on Paducah's Richardson, the Hounds amassed a six point lead and seemed in command of the game. Missed shots and turnovers, however, soon found the Hounds with only a one point lead. A big Dragon three-pointer then resulted in a a 21-19 Paducah lead. By half-time, the Dragons led by one, 24-

The Hounds were rocked at the third quarter's opening with two quick two's by the Dragons. Senior Bray Armes led Gruver back with a three-point play and moments later a nice jump shot.

By mid-quarter, the Dragons rebuilt their lead 35-30. A "nothing but net" three-pointer by Dallas

Henson reduced the deficit, but the Hounds were quickly stymied with three back-to-back foul calls. Henson answered the call again with his second three-pointer and eighth point of the period. But once again, fouls plagued the Hounds as Henson picked up his third viola-

With Gruver down 41-38 at the start of the fourth quarter, the Hounds foul trouble manifested itself early giving the Dragons, with only two fouls themselves, oneand-one opportunities with 6:44 remaining. Defying Lady Luck, Armes connected with a hard two under the basket. A big blow to the Hounds came on a whistle call after the basket which charged Armes with a foul and voided the basket. Cone showed the determination of the Hounds with a steal at 5:24 which he forwarded to Odom for a lay-up to put Gruver one down, 40-41. Junior Jason Shoulders added a basket with a nice baseline drive, but once again, a foul, Henson's fourth, was called. When Paducah's leading season scorer, Bud Morgan, missed both free shots, the Dragons led by two.

Paducah's strategy then became giving the ball to Morgan to dribble and draw a foul from the Hounds in their quest for possession.

An off-balance shot by Armes under the basket, however tied the game at 44 with 1:50 remaining. The time passed quickly with a frenzy of activity - two free shots for the Dragons at Gruver's expense followed by the fifth foul called on Paducah's Richardson. With one minute left, the Hounds regained possession of the ball only to suffer another foul call which netted the Dragons one point and a two point lead 47-45.

Gruver's poise under pressure resulted in a gutsy two by Shoulders to tie the game at 47 with 20 seconds remaining.

With Paducah in control of the ball and 17 seconds on the clock, the Hounds remained cool and were able to force the ball from Paducah's leading scorer and ball handler-Morgan, without committing a foul. The Hounds success would not result in throwing the game into overtime, however, as Paducah's Dozier, who had been zero of two in three pointers for the night, launched the shot that decided destiny.

The regional quarter finalist Hounds ended their season with a 26-6 record, a perfect district record, and playoff wins over Follett, Nazareth, and Irion County.

A special salute is given to seniors playing their last game for the Hounds - Colby Hunt, Dallas Henson, Derik Grotegut, Sean Cone, Bray Armes, Dan Odom, and Kyler Barkley, and also to Coach Troy Seagler in his first year as head boys basketball coach.

Henson 11, Villalobos 1, Shoulders 8, Cone 7, Armes 10, Odom 7, Barkley 4.

Three-point goals Henson 2, Cone 1, Odom 1.

Rebounds - Paducah 28, Gruver 25 (Armes 8) Assists - Paducah 4, Gruver 9 (Cone 3). Turnovers - Paducah 11, Gruver 9. Blocked shots - Gruver 1 (Armes). Steals - Paducah 7, Gruver 5 (Cone 3). Fouls - Paducah 11, Gruver 17.

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