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#### Cooley in Dumas for Book Signing

Loralee Cooley will be at Hastings Book Store in Dumas on Saturday, March 1st from 2-4 p.m. to sign her new release A Word Fitly Spoken.

This book is a collection of essays written by 26 current or former residents of Gray County, Texas. It was published recently to help celebrate the county's centennial (1902-2002).

The contributors range from Bonnie Clark, an 86-year-old former school teacher in Lubbock, to a Lefors high school senior, Sarah Schwab. Other contributors include Lynn Hart, the new director of the play Texas: Legacies in Canyon, and Anne Dingus, Senior Editor for the TEXAS MONTHLY magazine in Austin.

Loralee Cooley's connection with Dumas comes from her time as interim organist at the First Presbyterian Church, from 1996 through 1997. She's also a professional storyteller, and has lived in Pampa since 1994, when her husband became pastor of the First Presbyterian Church. She has done storytelling in such area schools as Dalhart, Stratford, Pringle-Morse, Spearman and Borger, entertained at a credit union banquet in Dumas in 1996 and presented a Valentine's Day storytelling concert at Dalhart' La Rita Theatre in 1999.

The book will be available at the Dumas Hastings store in paperback, and retails for \$8.95. For more information, contact the Dumas Hastings store (806-934-9553), at 1414 Guy Lane Plaza, or Loralee Cooley (806-665-7321), or e-mail lcooleysto-

#### Registration Deadline March 7 For Next ACT

ryspinning@hotmail.com.

College-bound high school students can take the ACT Assessment on April 12, 2002, the next nationwide test date. The postmark registration deadline is Friday, March 7. There is also a late registration postmark deadline on March 21 (an additional fee is required for late registration). Students can get information from their school counselor or register online at www.act.org.

ACT scores are accepted by virtually all colleges in the nation, including all Ivy League schools. The test fee is \$25.

For more information, including registration forms and test locations, contact your high school guidance counselor or register online on ACT's website (www.act.org). The website also has helpful information, sample tests and the opportunity to order test prep materials.

#### World Day of Prayer

World Day of Prayer 2003 will be held Friday, March 7th at Sacred Heart Church, 901 Roland.

Registration will be from 9:30 - 10:00 a.m. with the service at 10:00 a.m.

This year's theme for the service is "Holy Spirit, Fill Us." The service has been written by the women of Lebanon, which is sponsored by Church Women United. Everyone is invited to attend.

For questions, call Anita Sumner, 659-5046.

#### Breast Cancer Screening

The Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer Center Comprehensive Breast Center will conduct a Breast Cancer Screening Clinic at Hansford County Hospital, 707 S Roland, in Spearman on March 24, 2003.

Funding is available through the Texas Department of Health for Texas residents who qualify for assistance. All exams are done by appointment only.

Cail (806) 356-1905 or 1-800-377-4673 for more information or to schedule an appointment.





The Gruver Lady Hounds celebrate after defeating Lipan to earn a chance to play in the State 1-A Basketball Tournament. Gruver (30-2) will take on LaRue La Poynor (31-6) of District 22 for the state championship Thursday, February 27, at 10:00 a.m. in the Frank Irwin Center in Austin. If the Lady Hounds win the state title, they will play for the Texas Cup at 8:30 a.m. Saturday, March 1, also in Frank Irwin Center.

# 2003 Gruver Lady Hounds

10 - Teal Armes

20 - Christi Clift

21 - Amy Watley 22 - Laina Grotegut

23 - Brandi Griffin

23 - Brandi Griffin

24 - Blythe Finley 25 - Lisa Johnson

30 - Meagan Knight

33 - Ashleigh Sherrill

40 - Cassie Myatt

Head Coach - Steve Myatt; Asst. Coach - Jim Davis, Wynn Essler; Managers -Christie McDowell, Katie Jones, Madeline Reed

# Lady Hounds - State Bound!

#### Lady Hounds Tune Pipers

by Harletta Carthel

Like a well-scripted Hollywood movie, the Lady Hounds took a nail-biting, heart-stopping 68-66 win and the regional championship from the Hamlin Lady Pipers

Although a Brandi Griffin steal and layup at the four-second mark in overtime brought pandemonium to Gruver fans, it was only one exclamation point in a game destined for the annals of unbelievable comebacks.

Finding themselves 18 points down in the second quarter, the Lady Hounds faced a 12 point deficit going into the fourth quarter.

Chipping away at the Lady Pipers' lead, Gruver dropped the margin to 8 in the final period with a Teal Armes' three-pointer at 6:29. Another three by Armes at 3:25 knocked Hamlin's lead to 5. Twice the Lady Hounds cut the Lady Pipers advantage to three points with successful sets of free throws, once by Griffin and once by Amy Watley.

At 2:10, Gruver chopped Hamlin's lead, to 2, the lowest margin since the fist quarter, with a pair of free throws. At the 45 second mark, Griffin again brought Gruver within 2, picking up the first shot of a one-and-one opportunity.

Seconds later Armes' shot under the basket knotted the game at 56. A bobbled in-bounds play by Hamlin stopped any Lady Piper last second shot and sent the game into overtime.

With Lisa Johnson and Armes playing with four fouls and Gruver down by six in the opening minute of overtime, the Lady Hounds' perils continued.

Two three-pointers, one by Griffin at 2:15 cut Hamlin's lead to three while another by Watley at one minute brought

the Lady Hounds within two.

Gruver would again narrow the difference to two with an under the basket shot by Armes with 55 seconds remaining.

After a 10-second call on Hamlin, Gruver was able to tie the game with a Johnson basket.

With the clock at four seconds and ticking down to a possible second overtime, Griffin, anticipating a Hamlin pass, tipped the ball with a fast-break for the game-winning layup which left Hamlin fans standing stunned and Gruver fans pouring onto the court in celebration.

Score By Quarter: Gruver 10 21 35 56 68, Hamlin 14 35 47 56 66

Individual Scoring: Lisa Johnson 17, Teal Armes 18, Christi Clift 4, Blythe Finley 1, Amy Watley 6, Brandi Griffin 17, Cassie Myatt 3

#### Lady Hounds Leave White 'Face Down'

Feasting on Antelope, Gruver's meeting with Whiteface was more like a picnic than a game.

A foreboding of what was to come, the Lady Hounds held a 12-3 lead by mid-first quarter. Bombing in four three-pointers in the first quarter, two by Brandi Griffir and two by Christi Clift with Lisa Johnson and Amy Watley joining

in the scoring, Gruver led 20-3 at the period's end.

With only eight points scored in the third period, four by

each team, Gruver held its dominance at halftime, While the Lady Hounds anticipated an invigorated Whiteface team in the third quarter, it was Gruver who proved to be the energized team, racking up their lead to 23

points by the stanza's end.

The Lady Hound celebration continued in the fourth quarter with all ten Lady Hounds taking part in the festivities.

Score By Quarters: Gruver 20 24 36 47, Whiteface 3 7 13

Individual Scoring: Teal Armes 9, Christi Clift 8, Lisa Johnson 8, Amy Watley 2, Brandi Griffin 16, Blythe Finley 2, Cassie Myatt 2, Laina Grotegut 0, Ashleigh 0, Meagan Knight 0

### Gruver Ousts Lipan

With just one game blocking a trip to Austin, and possible state title, the Lady Hounds' hit hard inside to eliminate Lipan 66 - 54.

Gaining a nine-point advantage in the first quarter, the Lady Hounds saw their lead slip away in the second quarter as they ended the half two points down.

A combination of defensive pressure which resulted in 18 turnovers and a relentless attack by posts Lisa Johnson and Teal Armes, broke the game open in the third quarter. Going into the final period with a 45-38 lead, Gruver's momentum was unstoppable.

Score By Quarters: Gruver 19 27 45 66, Lipan 10 29 38

Individual Scoring: Teal Armes - 17, Christi Clift 4, Amy Watley - 1. Brandi Griffin - 6, Blythe Finley - 2, Lisa Johnson - 21, Cassie Myatt - 15. Three point goals: Griffin - 1, Myatt - 2

# Laugh

by Catherine R. Smith CathyRSmit@aol.com



The following "Prescription for Happiness" was sent to me from a dear friend. It is attributed to Robert Louis Stevenson, and bears remembering and repeating.

### Prescription for Happiness

\* Make up your mind to be happy. Learn to find pleasure in simple things.

\* Make the best of your circumstances. No one has everything and everyone has something of sorrow intermingled with the gladness of life. The trick is to make the laughter outweigh the tears. Don't take yourself too seriously.

\* You can't please everybody; don't let criticism worry

\* Don't let your neighbor set your standards.

\* Do the things you enjoy doing, but stay out of debt.

\* Don't borrow trouble. Imaginary things are harder to bear than the actual ones.

\* Since hate poisons the soul, do not cherish enmities and

\* Don't hold post-mortems. Don't spend your life brooding over sorrows and mistakes. Don't be one who never gets over things.

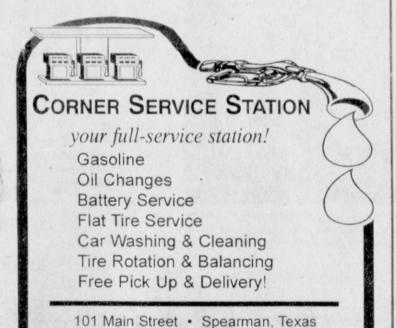
\* Do what you can for those less fortunate than yourself. \* Keep busy at something. A very busy person never has time to be unhappy.

For maximum effectiveness, this prescription should be taken as often as needed. Unlimited refills available.

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:)



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### National FFA Week

The local Spearman FFA recently celebrated National FFA Week (February 15-22).

This year we have made two signs that now stand outside of Spearman (one as you enter from Stinnett and one as you enter from Gruver). These signs were handmade by the Spearman metal fabrication classes. We are currently making flag holders for the American Legion to fly flags on the graves of veterans at the local cemetery. Spearman FFA has also made a bookcase for the Crisis Center in Spearman. At this time we are working on a grill for our FFA chapter, and planning the construction of an ATV trailer.

The freshman greenhand class

Leadership Workshop at Canadian in September. To go along with our other activities, Spearman hosted this year's Livestock Show on February 7th and 8th at the Spearman County Barn.

Following the Hansford County Stock Show, the Spearman FFA traveled to San Antonio for their annual livestock show. Our chapter has also taken heifers and steers to the Fort Worth Stock Show, and plans to attend the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo March

In March our livestock, land, wildlife, dairy and meat-judging teams will travel to Stephenville, Clarendon and Canyon for judging

Greenhand contests. In April we will attend the Area-I contest in Lubbock. Those teams qualifying will be eligible to attend the state competition to be held in Hamilton, Stephenville and Lubbock. We will also be sending our best candidate to run for a district office on April

> 23rd in Pampa In early May, the Spearman FFA Chapter will hold our annual banquet. We will honor specific FFA members for their achievements, our four-year Ag students, appoint the new FFA officer team, and induct an honorary FFA member. In June we will travel to the state Camp FFA Leadership Stephenville and in July we will attend the State Convention in

> > Gruver

First Baptist Church 402 E. Broadway • 733-2411 Sunday School: 9.45 a.m. Worship: 10:50 a.m. Disciple Training: 6 p.m. Sunday Prayer Meeting: 7:30 p.m. Wednesday Pastor • Scott Curry

Church of Christ

209 King • 733-2760 Sunday School: 9:30 a.m. Worship: 10:20 a.m. Evening Worship: 6 p.m. Wed. 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 (ELCA) 6 Miles West & 12 Miles North of Gruver 339-7709 Sunday School: 9 45 a.m. Worship: 11 a.m. Pastor - Paul Fiske

**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

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

The Spearman FFA would like to thank everyone who has supported our chapter. We are having a great year, due to the support we have received. We would like to extend a special thank you to: Burt Williams, Mr. Sumner, Mr. Belger. Mark Murray, Matt Souder, Texas Beef, the Spearman ISD School Board, Mike Cudd, and all the parents who have helped out with our local projects. We greatly appreciate everything that everyone has done for us this year.

We would also like to thank all of our supporters from the years past. We hope everyone is as excited about the rejuvenation of the Spearman FFA Chapter as we are.



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First Christian Church

First Baptist Church
123 N. Bernice • 659-5557
Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.
Worship: 11 a.m.
Evening Worship: 7 p.m.
Wed. Fellowship Meal: 6 p.m.
Wed. Disc. Time: 6:30 p.m.
Wed. Youth Mig.: 8 p.m.
Pastor - Patrick Six

Church of Christ
121 S. Haney • 659-3244
Sunday Bible Class: 9:45 a.m.
Worship: 10:30 a.m.
Evening Worship: 6 p.m.
Bible Study Wed: 7:30 p.m.
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Minister - Leonard Harper

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Pastor - Beverly Cook

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

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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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 659-3434. Thank you, Catherine

February 27 Birthday - Roy Diaz, Francis Houghton, Colby Weldon, Sharon Sutton, Cindy Jenkins, Barrera, Westerfield, Rosie Jackson, Melinda Hall, Winnie Vernon, Clint Goodman, Lance Wood

February 28 Birthday - Robert Blount, Max Davis, Karen Sparks, Freeman Barkley, Shannon Bowling, Debbie Carter, James Lair, Sammy Don Jones, Edna Anderson, Willie Shields, Hal Bennett, Davis Nash, Charles Little, Parker Grotegut, Emma

Anniversary - Mr. & Mrs. Preston Graham, Mr. & Mrs. Gilbert Salgado

February 29 Birthday - Clifton Harden, Michael Holt

March 1

Birthday - Lori Swink, Justin Ooley, David Stafford, Michael Rosales, Eddie Goodrich, Gary Cates, Skipper Beal, Ruby Mitchell, Mary Saldavar, Nora Baca, John Duncan, Peggy Robinson, Caleb Miller, Danny Parker Anniversary - Mr. & Mrs.

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Justin Thompson, Tonni Yanke, Olive "Babe" Penderane, Wayne Barb

Wayne Barber, Matthew Baker, Carma Dorton, Bob Farr, Robin McCullough, Rachelle Moreno, Josh Winegarner, Ryan Hill, Sammy Renteria

Anniversary - Mr. & Mrs. Joel Lackey

March 3 Birthday - Sue Smith, Jackie Womble, Vicky Papay, Doris Brogdon, Kim Scroggs, Kelley Hart, Cass Lasater,

Scarborough, Brian Black Daria Black, Amber Fox, Allan Denise Schuman, Crystal Harris, Richard Melton Pittman, Wheelock, Pam Schnell

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March 5 Birthday - Ron Dunning, Beth Swink, Barry Beck, Brooks Beck, Mark Garnett, Mary Garza, Mike Cowan, Pearson, Mike Garrard, Alexis Johnson, Benny Brandvick, TeBeest, Steve Williams

Anniversary - Mr. & Mrs. Ramiro Morales March 6

Birthday Brenda Hart, Slough, Marcie Womble. Bobby Archer, Tommy Barkley Travis Patterson, Janet Reger, Doran Kenneth Slough, Dulana, Lindsey Clift, Nancy Evans, Mick Sharp

Anniversary - Mr. & Mrs. A.R. Cazares

March 7

Birthday - David Imke, Dee Dee Shelton, Mike Garnett, Molly Turner, Bernice McBride, Viola Body, Donald Lane, Dalwayne Whitefield, Beulah Harris, Howard Thompson

Anniversary - Mr. & Mrs. Danny Bass, Mr. & Mrs. Anres Ortiz, Pete & Juanita Vera March 8

Birthday - Patty Cator, Drew Grotegut, Mike McLain, Bill Harnish, Melvin Swene, Kirby McAdams, Deana Shields, Dee Allen, Steve Cruse, Candi Delozier, Ben Cook, Colby Red, Eric Olsen, Rae Lynn Cook, Cindee Thomas, Christi Clift, Michelle Schick

Anniversary - Mr. & Mrs. Richard Wagner

### Our Deepest Sympathy

PAULA S. AVILA

SPEARMAN - Paula S. Avila, 65, died Saturday, February 22, 2003. Rosary was at 7 p.m. on Monday, February 24, 2003 in Sacred Heart Catholic Church by the Guadalupanas. Services were at 10 a.m. Tuesday, February 25, 2003 in the church with the Rev. Guillermo Morales officiating. Burial was in Hansford Cemetery by Boxwell Brothers Funeral

Mrs. Avila was born on April 9, 1937 in Campwood, Texas. She had lived in the area since 1966. She married Joe Avila on April 10, 1954 in Del Rio, Texas. She a homemaker. She was a member of Sacred Heart Catholic Church, the Sacred Heart Women's Guild and the Guadalupanas.

Survivors include her husband, Joe; five sons, Rudy Avila of Littleton, Colo., Roy Avila of Amarillo, Joey Avila of Soda Springs, Idaho, Alfred Avila and Albert Avila, both of Spearman; a daughter, Lydia Franco of Odessa; three brothers, Al Sena of Crane, Valente Sena of Campwood and Buddy Sena of Marble Falls; a sister, Alicia Sena of Midland; 15 grandchildren; and a great-grandchild.

The family suggests memorials be to Hansford Hospice, 707 Roland, Spearman, TX 79081; or to Hansford County Library, 122 Main, Spearman, TX 79081.

WILBERT RAY BABB

PAMPA - Wilbert Ray Babb, 72, died Wednesday, February 12, 2003, in Amarillo.

Services were at 2 p.m. on Friday, February 14, 2003 at Central Baptist Church with Dr. Derrell Monday, pastor, and the Rev. Rick Parnell, associate pastor, officiating. Burial was in Fairview Cemetery by Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors.

Mr. Babb was born November 3, 1930 at Old Alluwe, Ok, to W.L. and Mae Babb. His family moved to Pampa in 1942 when he was 12 years old. He was baptized in the Church of Christ as a young teenager and attended the Central Baptist Church. He graduated from Pampa High School in 1948 and worked at several meat markets in Pampa. He married Roberta Silcott on June 3, 1951 and went to work for Ideal Food Stores in 1952 as a butcher. Ideal moved him to Dalhart in 1954 as their youngest market manager. He moved to Liberal, KS in 1954, to Enid, OK in 1961, and again to Liberal in 1966. He was head of the meat departments for 20 years until Ideal sold their stores in 1984. He returned to Pampa in 1984, and began Babb Portable Buildings with his son, Curtis. He served in the National Guard for 13 years, the highlight of his day was his grandchildren, and going to coffee with his friends

Survivors include his wife, Roberta, of 51 years; a daughter, Susan Ratzlaff of Pampa; a son, and daughter-in-law, Curtis and Christine Babb of Pampa; a sister and brother-in-law, Frances and Lonnie Richardson of Boise City, Okla.; three grandchildren, Tacy Lamb and her husbar d Jay, and K'Lee Ratzlaff, all of Spearman; and Dustin Stoddard of Pampa; five great-grandchildren, Mackenzie Powell, Rion Broome and Chelsey Lamb, all of Spearman; Alexis Stoddard of Pampa and Jacob Stoddard of Clarendon; and several nieces and nephews.

The family suggests memorials be to Central Baptist Church, 513 E. Francis St., Pampa, TX 79065.

CARL RAYMOND COOPER

GUYMON, OK - Carl Raymond Cooper, 63, of Guymon, OK, formerly of Gruver, TX, passed away on Monday, February 24, 2003 at the Crown of Texas Hospice in Amarillo, TX.

The son of Fred and Elva (Monroe) Cooper, he was born on October 30, 1939 at Shattuck, Oklahoma.

Carl graduated from Gruver High School with the Class of 1958. He moved to Guymon from Gruver in 1985. Carl was married to Bobbie Gibson on February 13, 1988 at Las Vegas, Nevada.

He was a member of the Guymon First Baptist Church, Gruver Lions Club, Masonic Lodge, Elks Lodge, Guymon Chamber of Commerce and past president of the Guymon Rodeo Committee.

Mr. Cooper was engaged in farming and sales, retiring in 2002. His father, Fred and four grandchildren preceded him in death.

Survivors include his wife, Bobbie Cooper of Guymon; his mother, Elva Cooper of Guymon; three children, Chris Cooper of San Diego, California, Cappi and her husband Rusty Davis of Panhandle and Craig Cooper and his wife, Christy of Gruver; three step-children, Clif Gibson and his wife, Bernice of Fort Worth, Texas, Sandi and her husband, Kirk Welch of Guymon and Kerrie and her husband, Theron Landes of Guymon; 13 grandchildren, Clancy Cooper, Cade and Ty Davis, Cass and Cambry Cooper, Jerred, Mallory, Bailey and Keagan Gibson, Jenna and Jason Welch and Katelyn and Kenzi Landes; and one sister, Carolyn and her husband, Charles Erickson of Eaton, CO.

Funeral services will be conducted Thursday afternoon, February 27, 2003 at 1 p.m. at the Guymon First Baptist Church with Rev. Derek Cox. pastor, officiating. Graveside services will be conducted Thursday afternoon at 3 pm. at the Gruver Cemetery in Gruver with Rev. Jeff Matsler of Panhandle, TX officiating. Services are under the direction of the Bunch-Roberts Funeral Home of Guymon.

The Cooper family suggest memorials be given to the Guymon Rodeo Repovation Fund. Memorials will be accepted at the Bunch-Roberts Funeral Home, PO Box 1112, Guymon, Oklahoma 73942.

PEGGY JUNE FERGUSON

SUN CITY, AZ - Peggy June Ferguson, 70, passed away on February 21, 2003 in Sun City, Arizona.

Peggy was born in Spearman, Texas on November 1, 1932 to L.D. and Jimmie Francis Pierce.

Bob and Peggy were married for 51 years. They farmed in the Gruver area until 1985 when they moved to Arizona. Peggy became a successful realtor. She was a very loving wife, mother, grandmother, great-grand-

She is survived by her husband Robert (Bob); two sons, Monte and Douglas; and one daughter, Denise; 13 grandchildren; six great-grandchildren; two brothers, J.L. Pierce and Bobby Jack Pierce.

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Hansford County Hospice is sponsoring a Bereavement Support Group that will begin on March 17, 2003 at 7 p.m. in the parlor of the the Church of Christ in Spearman. This group is for anyone who has lost a loved one or friend. It is part of the on-going services provided by Hansford County Hospice. Please call 659-3244 or 659-3098 if you have any

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.

St. Patrick's Day Lad 'n Lassie Pageant

The 11th annual St. Patrick's Lad 'n Lassie and Pre-Teen Pageant will be held March 16, 2003, at the Shamrock High School Auditorium in conjunction with the 57th annual St. Patrick's Day Celebration. Any child between the ages of birth to 8th grade are eligible to participate. The pageant will begin at 1:30 p.m. Everyone is encouraged to attend. Entry fee is \$10 and must accompany an entry form and two photos. The entry deadline is March 3, 2003. For more information, contact Betty Lee at 256-5337 or Connie at the Shamrock Chamber of Commerce Office at 256-2501. For complete list of rules and requirements and entry forms, please send a SASE to: Lad n' Lassie Pageant, '% Saint Patrick's Association, PO Box 588, Shamrock, TX 79079.

Single Parenting Seminar - "In His Steps"
A special seminar will be held for single parents entitled "In His Steps." This seminar will offer hope and encouragement in building a healthy home. The seminar will be held Saturday, March 8, 2003 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the Paramount Terrace Christian Church. The cost is \$10, and scholarships are available. Adult workshops will be offered as well as children sessions. Lunch will be provided. Child care is by reservation only. To RSVP, cal Penny at 806-353-6615.

Hansford County Spelling Bee

The Hansford County Spelling Bee will be held Tuesday, March 4, 2003 at the Spearman High School Auditorium beginning at 4 p.m. Spellers from Gus Birdwell Elementary, Spearman Junior High, Pringle-Morse CISD and Gruver ISD will participate. The Junior Division consists of spellers in the fourth and fifth grades. The Senior Division will include pellers from grades through eight. First place winners from each divi sion will receive a \$50 savings bond from First State Bank and First National Bank in Spearman. Runners-up from each division will receive a Webster's Student Dictionary. The winner of the Senior Division will go on to represent Hansford County in the regional spelling bee to be held April 5th at 1:30 p.m. in the Moody Northern Concert Hall on the West Texas A&M University Campus in Canyon. The public is invited to attend. f more information is needed, contact Cindy Blackman at 659-3233.

Womens' Forum Seeks Nominations for Service Awards The Amarillo Area Women's Forum is seeking nominations for the annual Distinguished Service Awards. The Distinguished Service Awards honor outstanding women who have helped to shape the Texas Panhandle through their talent and skill. To be eligible for the award, a nominee must be a Texas woman who is a legal resident of the top 26 counties of the Texas Panhandle and has not previously received the counties of the Texas Panhandle and has not previously received the award. Winners of the award will be selected on the basis of the individaward. Winners of the award will be selected on the basis of the individual's significant impact on the Panhandle of Texas through the local communities. The nomination deadline is February 28th. There will be a presentation of awards during a luncheon on Saturday, April 5, 2003 at the Amarillo Country Club. For nomination forms or other information, call Becky Zenor, 806-358-4870 or Natrelle Long, 806-651-2003. The nominations should be sent to Becky Zenor at 2210 S. Bonham, Amarillo, TX 79109.

Southwest Pioneer Windmill Association Annual Meeting
The Southwest Pioneer Windmill Association will hold the Annua Meeting on Friday, February 28, 2003 at 12 noon at the Hungry Cowboy Hwy. 207 South. Reports will be given on past projects, and plans will be shared for future projects. Membership dues are \$10, and may be mailed to SWPA, Box 805, Spearman, TX 79081.

Meet Agriculture Commissioner Susan Combs Join Agriculture Commissioner Susan Combs at an open forum on Thursday, March 13, 2003 at 5 p.m. at First Bank Southwest, 115 South Main, Booker. Issues that are affecting Texas agriculture and rural com munities will be discussed, including: the current legislative session rural economic development, water, agricultural marketing, trade, labor and regulatory issues. For more information, contact John McFerrin TDA Producer Relations Specialist, at (512) 463-4879.

**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 Colleer Burkhammer, 659-2616. Thank you in advance for your support.

**Breast Cancer Survivors** In cooperation with the Amarillo Breast Health Coalition, Texas Cooperative Extension has a tremendous opportunity to increase aware ness about the importance of breast health and early detection of breast cancer. If you are a breast cancer survivor and are willing to share your story, please call Peggy Winegarner, Hansford County Extension Agent, at 659-4131 or 733-2901. We will share with you plans being made for "Modeling the Cure" and how you can be a part of this educational

opportunity in Hansford County.

**Boy Scout Fundraiser** Harry Stumpf, financial chairman of the Spearman Boy Scouts, will begin a project on Monday, March 3, 2003. Donations may be mailed to: Boy Scouts, 301 W. 12th, Spearman, TX 79081.

You're Never Alone - Narcotics Anonymous Group Open meetings will be held on Thursday night from 8-9 p.m. at the First Christian Church (29 S. Bernice in Spearman) for the "You're Never Alone" group of Narcotics Anonymous. Anyone interested is invited.

Register Tapes for Education

The Spearman 7th and 8th Grade Gifted & Talented class will be accepting register tapes from Lowe's Marketplace from September 1, 2002 until March 31, 2003. These tapes will be turned into valuable and important educational equipment, free of charge, for the Spearman Junior High campus. Tapes may be given to any Spearman Junior High student, or may be taken to the Spearman Junior High office.

Campbell's Soup Donation
Campbell's Soup is donating a can of soup (up to 5 million) to area food banks just by clicking on a football helmet at their website. It's quick. easy and can be don http://www.chunky.com/click\_for\_cans.asp. done

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Miracle on Wheels makes available Power (Electric) Wheelchairs to non-ambulatory Senior Citizens (65 years old & up) usually at no out of pocket expense if they qualify. No deposit required. The electric wheelchairs are provided to those who cannot walk and cannot self propel a manual wheelchair in their home or independent living quarters and who meet the additional qualifications of the program. This service may also be available to the permanently disabled of any age. Please call 1-800-749-8778 or visit our web site at www.durablemedical.com for more information on the details of this program.



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#### by Dorothy Hudson Out At The Lake

Lake Level--February 24, 2003--29.11 feet

Jim reported seeing 2 eagles in the trees out in the Lake this morning. When it is cold, the birds perch at a lower level in he trees. They seem to get some heat from the Lake surface. Saturday morning early he saw the bobcat that he frequently sees coming from west to east across the highway.

He was able to see the cat with his binoculars and see that he was

lightly spotted. Saturday was a beautiful day for February, and several took advantage of it by boating, fishing, or just driving around looking. Charley Laxton and Max Taylor were among those fishing. They fished several hours, but Charley only caught 3 and Max 2 fish.

Using the scope, Jim looked over some snow geese and found that a few had a tan color on their backs. With the help of a bird book, he read these were immature birds. He has also spotted a merlin this winter. Kenneth Seyffert writes that they are rare to uncommon winter visitors and have not been reported as seen in Hansford County. These falcons are just a little larger than the American Kestrel, also known as a sparrow hawk, and whereas the kestrel has a reddish cast to its back, the merlin is gray-blue.

During medieval days when falconry was an important sport, the

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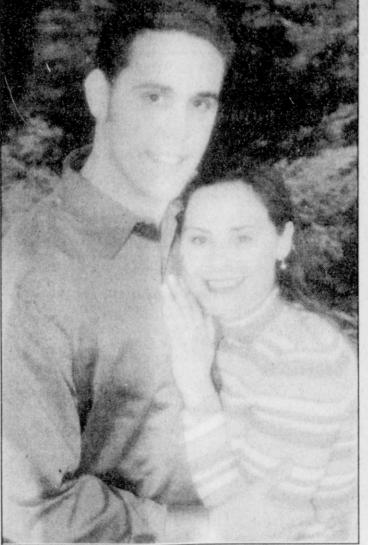
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merlins were considered a birds for the ladies to use.

The name merlin comes from merle or blackbird, which was considered a delicacy. If you were to provide dinner, you took your trusty merlin out and hunted the "four and twenty blackbirds for a

I used two Cator family stories from a great granddaughter of Bob Cator in a recent column. I want to emphasize that family stories are frequently distorted and sometimes completely wrong. For example, Mindy Cator had her grandfather about 10 years old when Charley Cator came to visit and let Os have his loaded gun to look at. I have that Osbaldeston Cator was born July 2, 1890 in Hansford County, Texas. If the date is correct that Charley arrived to visit in 1906, it is quite likely Os was 16 and Charley would have supposed that a son of Bob Cator would know never to point a gun

Her story said Bob died of gangrene from the wound, and another story says he died of lockjaw from the wound. If we get the story right sometime, it is going to take some digging. The family stories are the start and always neat to get. Sometimes they are how the family thinks this incident, maybe a 100 years ago, should have hap-



Engagement Announcement

Mr. and Mrs. Kerry Foster of Gruver wish to announce the engagement of their daughter, Kaisi Foster of Canyon, to Andy Cunningham of Gulf Breeze, Florida.

Kaisi received a Bachelor of Art in Communication from McMurry University, and a Master of Divinity from Asbury Theological Seminary. She is currently finishing work on a Master of Counseling degree, and serves as the Director of the Wesley Foundation at West Texas A&M University in Canyon.

Andy received a Bachelor of Arts in English and History from the University of Mississippi. He will receive a Master of Divinity from Asbury Theological Seminary in May of 2003. Andy is the Worship Leader and Youth Director at Gulf Breeze United Methodist Church.

The couple will marry on May 10, 2003 at Polk Street United Methodist Church in Amarillo. They plan to reside in Gulf Breeze,

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Joe & Nita Bynum

### Hansford Manor Resident of the Month



Bonnie Smith Manor Resident of the Month

Smith recently elected "Resident Month" February. This is an honor that is voted on by Hansford Residents.

Bonnie was born in Hanna, Oklahoma. She had one brother and one

She moved to the Texas Panhandle with her husband, where they reared four children - one boy and three girls. Her husband worked for Phillips as a driller and then as a tool pusher later on. The family moved with the oil fields

Bonnie has been a resident at Hansford Manor

or quite some time now. She is seen many times throughout the day helping the other residents. She loves to work jigsaw puzzles and play bingo. She also loves the music programs where she can be seen singing and dancing in her chair. It makes for a pleasant day to see Bonnie's bright smile coming down the halls. She has told her daughter (Peggy Frick) that she loves living at the Manor. Her cheery attitude and willingness to help others make her a popular

#### Congratulations, Bonnie!

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March 6 - Houston Livestock

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March 17 - Happy St. Patrick's

March 18 - Spring migrant

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One-act play rehearsal at

March 20 - Doughnuts for Dads

One act play competition begins

March 21 - Spring begins. March 21 - 22 - Junior high and

high school track meet at

Church of Christ Senior

March 25 - District One Act

March 26 - Mat 8 for

RPTE test for ESL in grades 3-

High school academic contest at

March 27 - Mat 8 test for

kindergarten and grades 1 and 2. High School UIL Academic

FFA Contest at Tarleton State

March 28 - FFA competes at

Mat 8 Testing for kindergarten

March 28 and 29 - Junior high

March 31 - District golf at

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Contest at Amarillo College

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Kindergarten and grades 1 and 2.

March 24 - MAT 8 Testing

Play competition in Pampa

Mat 8 Testing

Amarillo College

and grades 1 and 2.

high school track meet at

March 10 - Weather Day

# The Gruver Grapevine

**Banquet Slated for Seniors** 2003

The Gruver Church of Christ will host a banquet for the senior class of 2003, March 24, at 7:00 p.m. in the church fellowship hall.

#### Schrimphs Welcome New Arrival

Kasey and Jeff Schrimph of Edgeclift (near Fort Worth,) proudly announce the birth of their daughter Bennett Grace.

The sweet little miss was born Thursday, February 20 at 5:03 p.m,, weighing eight pounds and measuring 19 and 1/2 inches long.

Grandparents of the little lady are Mindy and Jim Davis of Gruver and Pete and Robin Schrimph of Houston.

Great grandparents are Penny Davis of Amarillo and Buddy and Frances Murrell of Gruver.

The date of Miss Schrimph's birth was perfectly timed with grandpa Jim Davis, Assistant Lady Hound Basketball Coach's stay in Fort Worth for the Lady Hound's playoff game, thereby, allowing him to see his new granddaughter while helping to guide Gruver to a state title run.

#### Winegarner to Speak

Peggy Winegarner, Hansford County Extension Agent, will be the guest speaker at the March 5th meeting of Gruver FCCLA.

#### Gruver Residents'

Granddaughter Featured Kasandra Harris, the granddaughter of Flavil and Jo Ayers, was featured on a segment of an Amarillo news program as a teacher who was very much interested in becoming an astronaut.

According to Harris, her enthusiasm for the job was not diminished by the recent Columbia accident.

#### Sympathy Expressed

The community's sympathy is extended to the family of Carl Cooper who died after being airlifted to Amarillo on Monday evening for medical problems.

### Wynn Honored at TCU

Traci Wynn, a member of the Lady Horned Frog basketball

team and the sister of Kimberly Irwin, was honored recently at a TCU home game.

Each home game, the TCU spotlights a player by running her picture, and biographical information, in game programs.

The 6'3" Wynn is a junior at the university, having transferred from Seward County College. Kimberly and Kyle Irwin and their family were among a large group of relatives who were on hand for Wynn's special day.

Wynn, who wears jersey number 45, was seen by several area residents this past Saturday on ESPN in the TCU/ Tulane basket-

#### City Commission Meets

Meeting in regular session February 12, 2003, the Gruver City Commission approved the renewal of the jail contract with Hansford County and the hangar lease agreement with Hansford Air, Inc.

No action was taken on awarding a bid for the Gruver Municipal Airport Lighting project.

Present for the meeting were Mayor Mark Irwin, City Manager Linda Weller, Commissioners Johnnie Williams, and Chad Logsdon, and Police Chief John Chambers.

#### Junior Varsity Take District Championship

The Gruver Junior Varsity Hounds captured the district title with a perfect record in district

Coached by Rob Schmucker, members of the team are freshmen Brad Clawson, Colby Griffin, Tanner Irwin, Tyler Lane, Matt Messer, Sammy Pena, Stephen Salazar, Blaine Tolleson, and Reid Winger; sophomore Oscar Medina; juniors Chris Clawson, Garrett Miner, Jose Rodriquez, and T Jay Sherrill.

#### March Calendar

March 1 - Texas Cup Championship in Austin. Junior high and high school

track meet at Sunray. March 4 - TAKS testing - third

grade reading March 5 - Swine exhibits and

#### Championship Game Brings Quandaries

The Lady Hounds' trip to the state basketball tournament has brought forward several school

The TAKS writing test, a state mandated test which is replacing

TASP, was scheduled for Tuesday, February 25, the same day the Lady Hounds were to depart for Austin. Calls to the Texas Education

Agency were made to determine what implications this had for sophomores and juniors on the Lady Hound team who were scheduled to take the test. TEA replied that the Lady Hounds who were to take the test may do so at a later time, thus, freeing them to depart Tuesday morning for Austin.

The decision was also made that Gruver schools would dismiss at 11:30 a.m. Wednesday morning, February 26, with no school slated for Thursday and Friday, February 27 and 28.

The days will be used as staff development days with staff members making up the days at a later

The issues on the minds of most. Gruver fans, however, were finding a place to stay in Austin and getting red and black attire packed for the

#### Where In The World Is LaRue La Poynor?

Gruverites seeking to find LaRue or La Poynor will find Larue located 13 miles southeast of Athens Texas, with La Poynor located 7 miles south of LaRue.

The team has a 31 and 6 record this year. They lost in last year's state championship game to Baird.

Residents of Larue and La Poynor are in all possibility also wondering where in the world Gruver is and how good are the Lady Hounds.

Gruver fans believe the only question in LaRue La Poynor's mind after Thursday will be: "Who

#### let the dogs out?"

Girls Basketball Beat

#### **Great Gruver Girls Teams**

Although the 2002-2003 Lady Hounds are the first Gruver girls team to compete for the UIL state championship, the Gruver girls in 1947 and again in 1948 competed at a state basketball tournament in Hillsboro before UIL was in place. The team won second in the consolation round of the 1947 tournament, and sportsmanship in the 1948 tournament.

Members of the 1947 team were Lera Mae (Barkley) Beasley, Gwendolyn (Cator) McLain, Elizabeth Holt, Lou (McClellan) Chapman, Betty McClellan, Jean Ralston, Maxine (Cooper) Cline, Montta Jo Ayres, Patsy Rafferty, Dot Lee, Sissy Hughes, Peggy Lieb, and Anna Beth (Winder) Woods,

Members of the 1948 team were Olene (Cline) Cluck, Pauline Dahl, Gwen McLain, Lera Beasley, Monta Jo Ayres, Maxine (Cooper) Cline, Lauelia Dahl, Patsy Rafferty, Dot Lee, Betty (McClellan), Sissy Hughes, and Faerie (Cooper) Hindergardt, Coach of both the 1947 and 1948 teams was I.T.

The furthest advancing Gruver girls' team in UIL history was the 1994 Lady Hound team who missed going to the state championship by one point in the last four seconds of the regional final game on a controversial basket by Jed Ned High School (just south of Abilene.)

The basket controversy stemmed from a non-functioning light on the scoreboard that did not go on when time had expired. Due to pandemonium in the gym, referees could not hear the final buzzer and did not have the benefit of the scoreboard light to determine the legality of a last second Jim Ned shot.

When one referee finally signaled that the shot was good, Gruver's one-point lead and state

championship hopes were voided. Jim Ned was virtually unchallenged as they went on to win the Class AA championship.

Members of that Lady Hound team were Wynn (Maupin) Essler, Mika McLain, Molly (McLain) McCloy, KiKi Carthel, Wendy Rodriquez, Sara Jones, Julie Meyer, Shanna Jarvis, Kaysha Cluck, Amber Murrell, Tisha Ralston, Tara (Shapley) Gardner, and Coach Steve Myatt.

Gruver has had three teams to make the first round of regional tournament play. They were the teams of 1963, 1964, and 1992.

#### Metro Branch of Gruver Fan Club Makes Appearance

A large contingent of former Hounds and Lady Hounds, now living in the metroplex of Dallas/Fort Worth supported the Lady Hounds in their playoff games at Fort Worth Friday and Saturday.

Among those spotted were Kirby Johnson, Sara Jones, Mike McKee and family, Bart Shapley, Clara Grotegut, Brooke Holt Ruhlin, Roxane Holt, Tina and Debra Clawson, Amber Murrell, KiKi Carthel, Mary Dawn Henson, Joni Hart, Monica Ward, Mika McLain, Ty Womble, Ginger and Larry Bartee, and Kayce Haenisch.

Out-of-towners not from the metroplex were Cody Cazares, Bob Bort, and Barry and Linda Haenisch, who invited the Lady Hounds to stop for in Merkel, where Barry is superintendent, for practice at the gym on their way to

#### Eat "Em Up Lady Hounds If the Lady Hounds appetite for

success is as big as Gruver fan's appetite for burgers, a state title is in the bag.

Bob and Gaerda Meier of Gruver Dairy Queen hosted a burger fest for 250 Gruver fans Monday evening. Fans also made two giant cards to wish the Lady Hounds well on their state title quest.

#### LEGAL NOTICE

On February 6, 2003, VALOR Telecommunications of Texas, LP (VALOR) filed an application with the Public Utility Commission of Texas (Commission) to establish surcharges to recover lost revenues and increased costs associated with seven hundred thirteen (713) Expanded Local Calling Service (ELCS) routes implemented in and between VALOR's Texas telephone exchanges and in many instances, exchanges of other local telephone companies. The application is filed based on the Commission's Substantive Rule 26:221 titled, "Applications to Establish or Increase Expanded Local Calling Service

ELCS expands a local calling scope to include one or more additional telephone exchanges, if customers in a petitioning exchange approve by ballot, the payment of an ELCS fee in lieu of long distance charges. The costs and lost revenues associated with VALOR's surcharge application are those not recoverable through the ELCS fee

In the application, VALOR proposes to implement on an interim basis a monthly per line surcharge of \$.99 for residential customers and \$1.98 for business customers beginning with the April, 2003 bill cycle. This proposed surcharge will apply in addition to any monthly ELCS fees. If rates at or above the level of the interim surcharges are not ultimately approved by the Commission, VALOR will refund all or part of the Interim surcharges, as directed by the Commission. Ultimately, VALOR seeks approval or monthly surcharges of \$3.38 for business lines and \$1.69 for residential lines to replace the interim surcharges. Additionally, the application proposes that customers currently billed ELCS fees lower than \$3.50 per residential line and \$7 per business line, will have those fees raised to \$3.50 per residential line and \$7 per business line

The net annual effect on the revenues of VALOR will be zero since the requested surcharge replaces lost revenues and reimburses VALOR for the increased cost of service associated with ELCS. The estimated total lost revenues and increased costs VALOR seeks to recover through this proceeding is \$7,601,145 annually

If you have questions about the proposed surcharges or would like further information, please call VALOR at 1-877-520-5220. The Public Utility Commission has assigned Project No. 27363 to this proceeding. Persons who wish to intervene in or comment upon these proceedings should notify the Public Utility Commission of Texas as soon as possible and no later than April 14, 2003, the intervention deadline. A request to intervene or for further information should be mailed to the Public Utility Commission of Texas, 1701 N. Congress Avenue, P.O. Box 13326, Austin, TX 78711-3326. Further information may also be obtained by calling the Public Utility Commission at (512) 936-7120 or (888) 782-8477. Hearing-impaired and speech-impaired individuals with text telephones (TTY) may contact the Commission at (512) 936-7136.

#### **AVISO**

El 6 de febrero de 2003, VALOR Telecom de Texas, LP (VALOR) sometió una solicitud a La Comisión Pública de Servicios de Texas (Public Utility Commission of Texas) para establecer sobrecargos para recuperar las ganancias perdidas y los costos incrementados relacionados con sietecientos trece (713) rutas implementadas del Servicio Expandido de Llamadas Locales (Expanded Local Calling Service) entre los despachos centrales de teléfono de VALOR de Texas y en muchas instancias, despachos de otras companías locales de teléfono. La solicitud se sometió basada en la Regla 26.221 de La Comisión titulada, "Solicitudes para Establecer o Incrementar los Sobrecargos de Servicio Expandido de Llamadas Locales"

ELCS extiende et alcance de tranadas locales para incluir uno o más despachos de teléfono adicionales, si los clientes de un despacho hacen una petición de cambio que es aprobada por voto para pagar un cargo de ELCS en lugar de sobrecargos de larga distancia. Los costos y ganancias perdidas relacionadas con los sobrecargos de la solicitud de VALDR no son recuperables a través de la cuota del ELCS

En la solicitud, VALOR propone implementar temporalmente un cargo mensual por linea de \$0.99 por cliente residencial y \$1.98 para clientes comerciales empezando con la facturación del ciclo de Abril, 2003. Este cargo propuesto se aplicará en adición a cualquier cargo mensual ELCS. Si las tarifas al o sobre el nivel de los sobrecargos temporarios no son ultimadamente aprobados por la Comisión, VALÓR reembolsará todo o parte de los sobrecargos temporales, indicados por La Comisión. Ultimadamente, VALOR busca aprobación de sobrecargos mensuales de \$3.38 por líneas comerciales y \$1.69 por líneas residenciales para reemplazar los sobrecargos temporarios. Adicionalmente, la solicitud propone que los clientes que actualmente son facturados con tarifas ELCS más bajas de \$3.50 por linea residencial y \$7.00 por linea comercial, tendrán un incremento de tacifas a \$3.50 por linea residencial y \$7.00 por linea comercial.

El efecto anual en las ganancias de VALOR serán cero siendo que los sobrecargos solicitados reemplazan las ganancias perdidas y reembolsa a VALOR por incremento en el costo del servicio relacionado con ELCS. El costo estimado total de las ganancias perdidas y el incremento de costos que VALOR tiene como fin recuperar a través de este procedimiento es \$7,601,145 anualmente

Si usted tiene alguna pregunta acerca de los sobrecargos propuestos o si necesita más información, por favor llame a VALOR

La Comisión de Servicios Públicos ha asignado el Proyecto No. 27363 a este procedimiento. Las personas que deseen intervenir o comentar en o sobre estos procedimientos deben notificar La Comisión de Servicios Públicos de Texas tan prorto como sea posible y no más tarde del dia 14 de Abril 2003, fecha limite de la intervención. Para intervenir o para más información, escriba a La Comisión de Servicios Públicos de Texas (Public Utility Commission of Texas), 1701 N. Congress Avenue, PO Box 13326, Austin, TX 78711-3326. También puede solicitar más información llamando a La Comisión de Servicios Públicos al (512) 936-7120 o al (888) 782-8477. Personas con impedimentos de hablar o del sentido de oir con teléfonos de textos (TTY) pueden comunicarse con La Comisión al (512) 936-7136.

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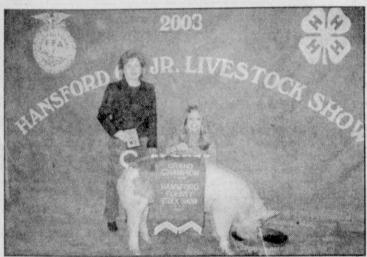
# 2003 Hansford County Stock Show



Grand Champion Steer
Taylor Williams



Grand Champion Lamb Teal Armes



Grand Champion Swine Kalli Smith



Showmanship winners in the Hansford County Stock Show are (L-R), Tara Shields, junior lamb showman; Kyna Shields, senior lamb showman; Casey Cator, junior swine showmanship; Travis Brown, senior steer showmanship; Tucker Williams, junior steer showmanship; and Rachelle Holt, senior swine showmanship



Commercial Steer
Reserve Champion Travis Brown (left)
and Grand Champion Taylor Williams (right)

Proud supporter of the Hansford County Junior Livestock Show and Sale and the bonds it builds.



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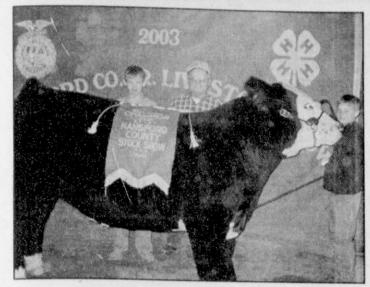
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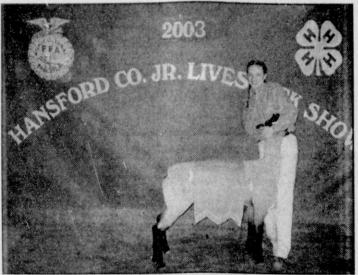
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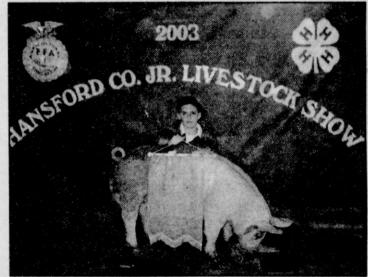
# 2003 Hansford County Stock Show



Reserve Champion Steer Kyna Shields



Reserve Champion Lamb Kyna Shields



Reserve Champion Swine Orie Cooksey

#### Commercial Steers

1st - Taylor Williams - Gruver 4-H; 2nd - Travis Brown - Spearman 4-H; 3rd - Rachelle Holt - Gruver 4-H; 4th - Tabatha Shields - Spearman 4-H; 5th - Tara Shields - Spearman 4-H; 6th - Tracy Brown - Spearman 4-H; 7th - Zack Murray - Spearman FFA; 8th - Rhett Renner - Spearman 4-H; 9th - Megan Stedje - Gruver 4-H

Livestock Judging Contest - Team 1st - Hansford Co. 4-H (Fat Boys) - Clete Vanderburg, Dustin Mackie, Bailely Reid, Nick Slough - 725; 2nd - Texhoma FFA (Senior) - Justin James, Ole Dahl, Troy Shore - 665; 3rd - Texhoma FFA (Junior) - Pete Dahl, Derek Blaine, Shawn Stone - 654; 4th - Hansford County - Cody Benton, Matthew Jarvis, Dakota Cator, Sol Pittman - 641; 5th - Hansford County (Conquistadors) - Austin Benton, Casey Cator, Charlie Slough, Brenna Reid - 626; 6th - Hansford County (Rhinestone Cowgirls) -Preslee Baker, Malory Martin, Lexi Batton, Mabry Sutterfield - 577; 7th - Hansford County - Tate Batton, Trent Goodheart, Jeffrey Rice, Sawyer Sutterfield - 575

## Way To Go, Hansford County Exhibitors!

Congratulations to the participants of the 2002 Hansford County Livestock Show!

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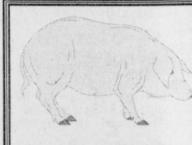
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Livestock Judging Contest - Individual

1st - Ole Dahl - Texhoma FFA (Senior) - 246; 2nd - Clete Vanderburg Hansford County 4-H (Fat Boys) - 245; 3rd - Nick Slough - Hansford County 4-H (Fat Boys) - 243; 4th - Justin James - Texhoma FFA (Senior) - 241; 5th - Dustin Mackie - Hansford County 4-H (Fat Boys) 237; 6th - Bailey Reid - Hansford County 4-H (Fat Boys) - 236; 7th Pete Dahl - Texhoma FFA (Junior) - 231; 8th - Kali Shields -Hansford County 4-H - 227; 9th - Derek Blaine - Texhoma FFA (Junior) - 225; 10th - Dakota Cator - Hansford 4-H - 225



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# 2003 Hansford County Stock Show

Grand Champion - Teal Armes
Reserve Grand Champion - Tubutha Shields Junior Showmanship - Tara Shields Senior Showmanship - Kyna Shields

1st - Nicholas Slough - Graver 4-14; 2nd - Seih Thompson - Gruver 4-14; 2nd - Gruver 4-14; 2n H; 3rd - Jessica Schmidt - Morse 4-H; 4th - Sheldon Field - Morse 4-H; 5th - Justin Bass - Gruver 4-H; 6th - Summi Johnson - Gruver 4-H; 7th -Kaysha Bass - Gruver 4-H; 8th - Blayne Baker - Spearman 4-H; 9th -Sawyer Sutterfield - Spearman 4-14

Olass II

1st - Tyler Lane - Morse 4-H; 2nd - Justin Thompson - Gruver 4-H; 3rd
- Brian Johnson - Gruver 4-H; 4th - Lauren Ferguson - Spearman 4-H;
5th - Lorissa Buschman - Spearman 4-H; 6th - Preslee Baker - Spearman 4-H; 7th - Makenzie Crane - Graver 4-H; 8th - Malissa Montgomery -Spearman 4-H

Ist - Brenna Reid - Morse 4-H; 2nd - Cody Benton - Spearman 4-H; 3rd - Addam Ferguson - Spearman 4-H; 4th - Dani Wheelock - Gruver 4-H; 5th - Austin Benton - Spearman 4-H; 6th - Jessica Montgomery -Spearman 4-H; 7th - Tiffany Hand - Spearman FFA

1st - Kali Shields - Spearman 4-H; 2nd - Rachelle Holt - Gruver 4-H; 3rd - Ryan Buschman - Spearman 4-H; 4th - Joey Pearson - Spearman 4-H; 5th - Charlie Slough - Gruver 4-H; 6th - Nathan Buschman -Spearman 4-H; 7th - Jeffrey Rice - Spearman 4-H

1st - Sonny Parker - Spearman FFA; 2nd - Noemi Rodriquez - Spearman 4-H; 3rd - Cory Graves - Gruver 4-H; 4th - Amanda Pearson -Spearman 4-H; 5th - Britney Montgomery - Spearman 4-H; 6th - Lanie Graves - Gruver 4-H; 7th - Trent Goodheart - Spearman 4-H

Class VI

1st - Tabatha Shields - Spearman 4-H - Reserve Grand Champion; 2nd - Kyna Shields - Spearman 4-H - Senior Showmanship; 3rd - Kellyn King Gruver 4-H; 4th - Seth Clemmons - Morse 4-H; 5th - Matthew Jarvis Spearman 4-H; 6th - Justin Parker - Spearman FFA; 7th - Christian Patrick - Spearman 4-H

1st - Teal Armes - Gruver 4-H - Grand Champion; 2nd - Christen Ferguson - Spearman 4-H; 3rd - Tara Shields - Spearman 4-H - Junior Showmanship; 4th - Dustin Mackie - Spearman 4-H; 5th - Eric Flores - Spearman 4-H; 6th - Bailey Reid - Morse 4-H; 7th - Matti Wheelock - Gruver 4-H; 8th - Jessica Jarvis - Spearman 4-H

Steers
Grand Champion - Taylor Williams
Reserve Grand - Bailey Reid Junior Showmanship - Tucker Williams Senior Showmanship - Travis Brown

1st - Kali Shields - Spearman 4-H; 2nd - Britta Vanderburg - Spearman 4-H; 3rd - Tate Batton - Spearman 4-H; 4th - Nicholas Slough -Spearman 4-H

Class II - Light Medium

1st - Bailey Reid - Morse 4-H - Reserve Grand Champion; 2nd - Tucker Williams - Gruver 4-H - Junior Showmanship; 3rd - Lance Williams - Gruver 4-H; 4th - Clete Vanderburg - Spearman 4-H

Class III - Medium

1st - Taylor Williams - Gruver 4-H - Grand Champion; 2nd - Brenna Reid - Morse 4-H; 3rd - Kyna Shields - Spearman 4-H; 4th - Rhett Rennner - Spearman 4-H; 5th - Lexi Batton - Spearman 4-H

Class IV - Medium Heavy

1st - Travis Brown - Spearman 4-H - Senior Showmanship; 2nd -Rachelle Holt - Gruver 4-H; 3rd - Tracy Brown - Spearman 4-H; 4th -Chase Schubert - Spearman 4-H

Heifers

1st - Nicholas Slough - Gruver 4-H; 2nd - Clete Vanderburg -Spearman FFA; 3rd - Britta Vanderburg - Spearman 4-H; 4th - Kali Shields - Spearman 4-H

> Swine Grand Champion - Kalli Smith Reserve Grand - Reagan Karlin Junior Showmanship - Casey Cator Senior Showmanship - Rachelle Holt

Breed Champion - Michael Torres Reserve Breed - Zack Nollner

Class I 1st - Zack Nollner - Spearman 4-H - Reserve Breed Champion; 2nd - Justin Bass - Gruver 4-H; 3rd - Austin Benton - Spearman 4-H; 4th - Jessica Montgomery - Gruver FFA; 5th - Sheldon Field - Morse 4-H; 6th Malissa Montgomery - Spearman 4-H

1st - Michael Torres - Spearman FFA - Breed Champion; 2nd - Tara Shields - Spearman 4-H; 3rd - Jessica Schmidt - Morse 4-H; 4th - Jordan Hicks - Gruver FFA; 5th - Lori Swink - Gruver FFA; 6th - Casey Cator -Spearman 4-H - Junior Showmanship

HAMPSHIRES Breed Champion - Blayne Baker Reserve Breed - Lance Williams

Class III 1st - Keilee Goodheart - Spearman 4-H; 2nd - Kyna Shields -Spearman 4-H; 3rd - Travis Boyd - Spearman 4-H; 4th - Hutch Reed -

Ist - Eric Vasquez - Spearman FFA; 2nd - Hudson Williams - Gruver FFA; 3rd - Colt Cluck - Gruver FFA; 4th - Lance Huddleston - Spearman 4-H; 5th - Kaysha Bass - Gruver 4-H

Class V

1st - Lance Williams - Gruver 4-H - Reserve Breed Champion; 2nd -Brock Irwin - Gruver 4-H; 3rd - Bailey Reid - Morse 4-H; 4th - Cody Benton - Spearman 4-H; 5th - Tate Batton - Spearman 4-H; 6th -Nicholas Slough - Gruver FFA

Ist - Blayne Baker - Spearman 4-H - Breed Champion; 2nd - Trent Goodheart - Spearman 4-H; 3rd - Cory Graves - Gruver 4-H; 4th - Chase Schubert - Spearman FFA; 5th - Kyler Cator - Spearman 4-H

Class VII

1st - Joey Pearson - Spearman 4-H; 2nd - Orie Cooksey - Spearman FFA; 3rd - Katie Jones - Gruver FFA; 4th - Stuart Martin - Spearman 4-H; 5th - Dustin Mackie - Spearman 4-H

YORKS
Breed Champion - Seth Salgado
Reserve Breed - Zack Murray
Class VIII

1st - Justin Parker - Spearman FFA; 2nd - Jacob Lieb - Morse 4-H; 3rd Pres ee Baker - Spearman 4-H; 4th - Ali Tyler - Gruver 4-H; 5th -Hunter Bevill - Gruver FFA; 6th - Britney Montgomery - Spearman 4-H; 7th - Kali Shields - Spearman 4-H

1st - Seth Salgado - Spearman 4-H - Breed Champion; 2nd - Zack Murray - Spearman FFA - Reserve Breed Champion; 3rd - Lindy Weldon Gruver 4-H; 4th - Garrett Martin - Spearman 4-H; 5th - Taylor Williams - Gruver 4-H; 6th - Cody Mac Been - Gruver FFA; 7th - Kellyn King -

CROSS Breed Champion - Kallie Smith Reserve Breed - Reagan Karlin Class X

1st - Amanda Pearson - Spearman 4-H; 2nd - Brenna Reid - Morse 4-H; 3rd - Jared George - Spearman FFA; 4th - Megan Stedje - Gruver 4-H; 5th - Tanner Hand - Spearman FFA; 6th - Marshall Hearon - Spearman

Class XI

1st - Jacob Jones - Spearman FFA; 2nd - Seth Thompson - Gruver 4-H; 3rd - Charles Oltman - Spearman 4-H; 4th - Shelby Jack Karlin -Gruver Jr. FFA; 5th - T Jay Sherrill - Gruver FFA; 6th - Isaac Herndon -Spearman FFA

1st - Rily Urban - Morse 4-H; 2nd - Tanner Irwin - Gruver 4-H; 3rd -Lexi Batton - Spearman 4-H; 4th - Teal Armes - Gruver FFA; 5th - Jeffrey Rice - Spearman 4-H; 6th - Gabi Boyd - Spearman 4-H

Class XIII

1st - Emily Hood - Spearman 4-H; 2nd - Tucker Williams - Gruver 4-H; 3rd - Tabatha Shields - Spearman 4-H; 4th - Sydney Been - Gruver 4-H; 5th - Seth Clemmons - Gruver FFA; 6th - Tyler Lane - Morse 4-H

Class XIV

1st - Kallie Smith - Spearman 4-H - Breed Champion & Overall Grand; 2nd - Malory Martin - Spearman 4-H; 3rd - Sawyer Sutterfield -Spearman 4-H; 4th - David Pipkin - Spearman 4-H; 5th - Clete Vanderburg - Spearman FFA; 6th - Lynn Vela - Gruver 4-H

1st - Reagan Karlin - Gruver Jr. FFA - Reserve Breed & Overall Reserve; 2nd - Dakota Cator - Spearman 4-H; 3rd - Lanie Graves -Gruver 4-H; 4th - Ricky Garcia - Spearman 4-H; 5th - Victoria Vela -Gruver 4-H; 6th - Justin Thompson - Gruver 4-H

Class XVI
1st - Rachelle Holt - Gruver FFA - Senior Showmanship; 2nd - Cara Gwin - Spearman 4-H; 3rd - Timber Barkley - Gruver FFA; 4th - Charlie Slough - Gruver 4-H; 5th - Rhett Renner - Spearman 4-H





OFF

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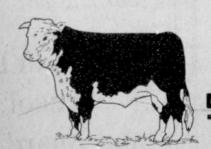
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2(2-20-03)B FOR SALE BY OWNER: 105 W. 12th Street - 3BR, 1 3/4B, 1CG, ceiling fans, fenced yard, central H/A, includes extra lot behind house. Call 659-2616 and leave message. 4(2-27-03)B

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4(2-6-03)B

HELP WANTED: Spearman Swim Team has an opening for a head coach and assistant coach. Requirements are First Aid, CPR, knowledge of swimming strokes and turns, computer friendly, dependable and gets along with kids. Send resume to Spearman Swim Team, Box 283, Spearman, TX 79081.
3(2-13-03)B

#### FOR SALE

FOR SALE: 1994 Rogator Sprayer, 90 ft booms, 2 1000 gal. Wiley Fiberglass trailers, 1000 gals of 28-00 fertilizer, along with a 12000 gal fiberglass tank with pump & meter. Call 659-3494 after 3 pm. 3(2-13-03)B

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#### PETS/ANIMALS/LIVESTOCK

FOR SALE: Baby chicks - first batch available around March 5th. Contact Karen at 659-2393 or Ruth at 659-3512. 4(2-13-02)B

#### **VEHICLES**

FOR SALE: 2000 Ford F-150 Pickup, 46,000 miles, V8, automatic, tilt, cruise, power, loaded. Like new - will sell for bank payoff (under \$15,000). See at 322 S. Haney, or call 659-2059. TFN(12-5-02)B

#### WANTED

WANTED: We are in need of copies of the January 10, 2002 issue (Water Tower removal) of the Hansford County Reporter-Statesman. If you have some to spare, please call 659-3434.
WANTED: Three ladies interested in attending Shirley Adams sewing seminars in Amarillo on March 22nd. Will provide ride. Would like to split cost of room reserved for seminar at Ambassador Hotel. Will leave March 21st. Please call Betty Kirk at 659-2789 for details. Must call by February 25th

#### LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF APPLICATION RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS

LAND GAS DIVISION STRICT 10 Rule 37 Case No. OF ISSUANCE: February

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the JONES ENERGY LTD, 500 CAP OF TEX HWY N BLDG 6 STE 125, AUSTIN TX 78746 has made 125, AUSTIN TX 78746 has made application for a spacing exception permit under the provisions of Railroad commission Statewide Rule 37 (16 Tex. Admin. Code section 3.37) Applicant seeks exception to the lease line distance requirement because the Applicant is less than the required Rule 37 lease line distance to an unleased lease line distance to an unleased or non-pooled interest within the 470.14 acre subject unit. Applicant seeks authority to the lease lines requirement for the Amended hori-



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zontal drill permit for Well No.2. City of Gruver Lease, 470.14 Acres, SL'Sec, 3, Bk. 3, PSL/M.V. Van Meter, TL: Sec. 3, Bk. 3, PSL/O.M. Hicks Survey, A-1159, Wildcat Field(s), Hansford County, being 5 miles in a west direction of Gruver, Texas. The location of this well is as follows:
SL: 745' from the south line and 2500' from the west line of lease. 800' from the east line and 850' from the east line of lease. 850' from the northerly east line of survey.

850' from the easterly south line and 1900' from the northerly east line of survey.
Field rules for the Wildcat field are 467/1200, 40 acres.
This well is to be drilled to an approximate depth of 4000 feet.
PURSUANT TO THE TERMS of Rule 37(h)(2)(A), this application may be granted administratively if no protest to the application is received. An affected person is entitled to protest this application. Affected persons include owners of record and the operator or lessees of record of adjacent tracts and tracts nearer to the proposed well than the minimum lease line spacing distance. If a hearing is called, the applicant has the burden to prove the need for an exception. A Protestant should be prepared to establish standing as an affected person, and to appear at the hearing either in person or by qualified representative and protest the application with cross-examination or presentation of a direct case. The rules of evidence are applicable in the hearing this application, please contact the Applicant's representative, Denise Herbert, Compliance Mgr., at 512-328-2953 (ext 227). If you have any questions regarding the hearing procedure, please contact the Commission at (512) 463-6899.

IF YOU WISH TO REQUEST A

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IF YOU WISH TO REQUEST A HEARING ON THIS APPLICATION, AN INTENT TO APPEAR IN PROTEST MUST BE RECEIVED IN THE RAILROAD COMMISSION'S AUSTIN OFFICE BY March 6, 2003 at 5:00 p.m.. IF NO PROTEST IS RECEIVED WITHIN SUCH TIME. THE REQUESTED PERMIT MAY BE GRANTED ADMINISTRATIVELY.

4(2-6-03)B

#### NOTICE OF BIDS

NOTICE OF BIDS
The Gruver Fire Department has put the following up for sealed bids. The fire department reserves the right to accept or reject any or all of the bids.

1 - 1983 4-door ½ ton chevy truck
1 - set of 60,000-lb. semi axles

1 - set of 60,000-ib. semi axies
1 - square water tank
You may see these items at the
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your bids by Gruver City Hall or
mail to: Gruver Fire Department,
PO Box 82, Gruver, Texas 79040.
Bids will be opened March 11th at
7:30 m. 7:30 p.m.

3(2-20-03)B

LEGAL NOTICE

Hansford County will receive sealed bids on health insurance for County employees until 4 p.m. on Friday, March 7, 2003. Bids will be opened on Monday, March 10, 2003. during the regular Commissioner's Court meeting. Meeting will begin at 10 a.m. in the Hansford County Law Library. Proposal Specifications may be obtained from the offices of the Hansford County Judges and the Hansford County Auditor. Hansford County Feserves the right to waive informalities, to accept or reject any or all proposals, and to accept the proposal deemed by the Hansford County Commissioners' Court to be most advantageous to Hansford County. Jim D. Brown Hansford County Judge 3(2-20-03)B

NOTICE TO VENDORS NOTICE TO VENDORS
Competitive quotes will be obtained by Gruver ISD for the 2002-2003 school year for purchases in the following categories.
Weight Room Concrete Specifications
Specifications will be mailed or may be picked up at Gruver ISD

administration offices. Competitive price quotations should include references.

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Submit in writing by March 3, 2003 the name, address and phone/fax number(s) of person(s) authorized by your company to provide competitive price quotations to: Gruver ISD, 601 Garrett Street, Gruver, Texas 79040 or Box 650, Gruver, Texas 79040. For more information call (806) 733-2001.

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#### NOTICE TO VENDORS

Competitive quotes will be obtained by Gruver ISD for the 2002-2003 school year for purchases in the following categories.

Weight Room Building Specifications
Specifications will be mailed or may be picked up at Gruver ISD administration offices. Competitive price quotations should include references.

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LEGAL NOTICE
The City of Gruver is taking applications for a City Secretary Qualifications include strong book Qualifications include strong book-keeping, computer, communication and organizational skills. Salary depends on experienced. Benefits include life, health, dental, retirement, vacation, sick leave & holidays. Applications may be obtained from Linda Weller, City Manager at City of Gruver, 108 E. Broadway, PO Box 947, Gruver, TX 79040, 806-733-2424, Position open until filled. EOE. 2(2-27-03)B

JOB OPENINGS
City of Spearman will accept applications for a Swimming Pool Manager for \$9.00/hour through March 14th.

March 14th.

Applications will be accepted for an Asst. Swimming Pool Manager for \$7.50/hour 4 full-time Lifeguards and 1 part-time Lifeguard at \$5.75/hour; and 2 Maintenance Workers at \$6.50/hour through March 28th. Persons who qualify for the Assistant Manager and lifeguard positions must be able to obtain cartified lifeguard training.

For further information, contact City Manager Robert Patrick at 659-2524. Applications may be obtained at City Hall, 30 SW Court. The City is an EOE.

NOTICE OF CONCENTRATED ANIMAL FEEDING OPERATION APPLICATION TPDES Registration No. WQ0003455-00
APPLICATION. VANCE BLOM MORRIS, SR, 8075 County Road Y, Gruver, Texas 79040 has applied to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) for amendment of TPDES Registration No. WQ0003455-000 to authorize the applicant to expand an existing beef cattle facility from 6500 head to a maximum of 9500 head in Hansford and Sherman Counties, Texas. The application was received by and Sherman Counties, Texas. The application was received by TCEQ on April 22, 2002. No discharge of pollutants into the waters in the state is authorized by this registration except under chronic or calastrophic rainfall conditions. All waste and wastewater will be beneficially used on agricultural land.

The existing facility is located approximately 2.5 miles northeast of the intersection of Farm-to-Market Road 1060 and Farm-to-Market Road 1573 in Hansford and Sherman Counties. The facility is located in the drainage area of

ty is located in the drainage area of an unnamed segment in Segment No. 0100 of the Canadian River

Basin.
The application is available for inspection by the public during normal business hours at the Hansford County Library, 122 Main

Hybrid Sorghum Sudan Grass Seed Production Contracts Available Call Lee @ 1-800-243-5271

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Street, Spearman, Texas and Sherman County Library, 719 N. Main Street, Stratford, Texas. The Executive Director of the TCEQ has prepared a draft registration which, if approved, would establish the parameters, and limitations within which the facility must operate.

must operate.
PUBLIC COMMENT. Written
public comments may be submitted to the Office of Chief Clerk, at

public comments may be submitted to the Office of Chief Clerk, at the address provided in the information section below, within 30 days of the date of newspaper publication of this notice. The Executive Director will consider all relevant information pertaining to whether the applicant meets the requirements for the registration and will issue a written determination as to any final action on the application for registration and a response to all comments. INFORMATION. Written public comments should be submitted to the Office of the Chief Clerk, MC 105, TCEQ, PO Box 12087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087. For additional information about the application or the procedure for public participation in the registration process, individual members of the general public may contact the Office of Public Assistance at 1-800-687-4040. General information regarding the TCEQ can be found at our web site at www.tccq.state.tx.us. Please note that the 77th legislature changed the agency's name from Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission (TNRCC) to Texas Commission (TNRCC) to Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ). Both names are interchangeable for a short period of time, until the phase-in is completed.

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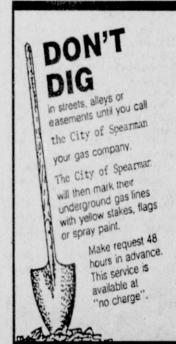
NOTICE TO ALL PERSONS
HAVING CLAIMS AGAINST THE
ESTATE OF DAVID WESLEY
MISER, DECEASED
Notice is hereby given that
Letters of Administration for the
Estate of David Wesley Miser,
Deceased, were issued to Reba
Miser on February 4, 2003, in
Case No. 2386, pending in the
County Court of Hansford County,
Texas.

Texas.
The name and address of the Independent Administrator is as

Reba Miser
PO Box 548
Gruver, Texas 79040
All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them within the time and in the manner prescribed by Law. manner prescribed by law.

DATED the 14th day of February

Mitchell G. Ehrlich
Attorney at Law
PO Box 1257
304 South Main
Perryton, Texas 79070
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### Letter To The Editor

My mother received the February 6th edition of the paper this week. We were so happy to see the story on the chamber banquet. I would like to add my gratitude and congratulations in a public way to Jim and Laquita Evans and to Virginia Young

My dad was Gordon Parrish of Gordon's Drug. Our family loved the drug store and the people of Spearman. Even though he has been gone for 25 years, and my mother has not lived in Spearman for over 20 years, it is still home. I love to come back for the school reunions (haven't missed one yet.) The first place I go is to Gordon's Drug

Jim, Laquita, and Virginia were three wonderful blessings to our family. It is hard to imagine someone as hard-working and loyal as Virginia. I remember her as a quiet, efficient, smiling young woman who won the hearts of my parents. What can I say about Jim and Laquinta!!! They have always been family. My dad loved Jim and was so glad to know his store was in such good hands when he retired.

All of the family have felt so honored down through the years that the name "Gordon's Drug" is still there. To me, it is a great tribute to my parents. So, in this public way, I want to say thank you to Jim and Laquita not only for what you have meant to my family, but what you have meant to all the people of Spearman down through the years. It's a wonderful place, and you have certainly contributed to the community in many

> Sincerely, Estelle (Parrish) Maxwell

Dear Editor.

I would like to say how pleased I am with the Lady Hounds this year. I have had the privilege to work-out with them and everyday they come out ready to play. They are a great group of girls and have a large amount of talent. They get along like best friends, which is probably one of the leading reasons they have had such a successful season.

I have seen them on and off the court, both of which were a pleasure. - always working on her post moves and always trying to

improve. Amy - shooting, shooting and shooting.

Lisa - getting everyone on their toes, excited about the game. Brandi - she's doing everything, never the same thing two days in a

Cassie- trying to do all those crazy drives.

Laina - being super fancy and brushing up on her moves.

Meagan - always smiling, making everyone have a much better day. Ashleigh - shooting those baseline shots and laughing

Blythe - laughing always to talk to before workout, she gives you a different look about it.

Christi - free throws (29 of 30 at Slaton just won't cut it for her).

Coach Myatt is a great coach and very intelligent about the game of basketball

This group of girls is one of a kind. Not only do they love basketball, they love having fun (which is what they do when they are on the court). I love these girls and I want to wish them the best of luck. I hope you go and get 'em at State!

God bless, Lindsey Clift

#### SISD Students Excel in Choir Contest

Spearman High School and junior high students took honors in the Solo and Ensemble Contest held on the campus of West Texas

A&M University High school students receiving Division I Superior ratings and medals for their solos were Lorena Lopez, Maribel Moreno, and Mark Navarrete. Brandon Nava was awarded a Division II Excellent

rating for his solo. Members of the high school mixed ensemble who received a Division I Superior rating and medals were Brian Close, Samantha Cummings, Anthony Gonzales, Lorena Lopez, Felicia Mendoza. Martinez Sonva Maribel Moreno, Brandon Nava, Mark Navarrete, Hermando Perez, Ashlee Pillow, Adriana Pinion, and Ashley Swan.

Junior high students awarded a Division I Superior and medals for

their solos were Lisa Espinosa, Clara Kern, Claribel Hernandez, and Natalie Quintero.

Members of the seventh and eight grade girls ensemble who received Division I Superior ratings and medals were Lisa Espinosa, Claribel Hernandez, Hernandez, Miriam Mendoza, Mirna Ortiz, Heriselda Perez, Natalie Quintero, and Noemi Rodriquez.

The choir students and Mrs. Hoffman, Spearman choir director, would like to thank bus driver Pearcy, accompanist Janelle Buschman, Becky Byers for her help, and chaperones Eva

"I am very proud of these students and all their hard work,' Mrs. Hoffman said. Their determination to do their best, paid off at contest this year. Congratulations to all of them!

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### Spearman Chamber of Commerce Board

On Thursday, February 13, 2003, the Spearman Chamber of Commerce held their regular meeting at noon at the Panhandle Deli and

Members present were Missie Bates, Rosi Martinez, Jason Cantrell, Cindy Scribner, Martina Miller, Debbie Eslick, Rosalee Bueno, Justin Boyd, and Gina Gillispie. Absent were Robert Patrick, Rod Sumner, Lenny Pecha, Paulette Laxon, Mark Murray, and Frosty Hickerson.

President Missie Bates called the meeting to order. Minutes of the last meeting and financial report were approved as presented.

Missie presented the 2003 budget for approval. Cindy made the motion with a second from Martina to accept the budget as presented.

Missie presented the 2003 calendar for approval. After some discussion, the calendar was approved. Each event will need the entire board to participate, but we'll have a planning committee as well. The first upcoming event will be a Cinco de Mayo Celebration to be held Saturday, May 3, 2003.

Committee members will be Missi, Rosi, Martina, Cindy, Debbie, Rosalee, and Gina. Rosi will have the initial details on KRDF Sunday, and the committee will meet at noon at the Chamber office on Tuesday to finalize the plans for publicity. Jason made a suggestion to incorporate the sale of the Spearman-opoly games into the contest.

Jason will review the insurance quotes and report the best course of action for the Chamber to take for liability, building, and contents.

Stephanie Crossland had asked the Chamber if they might use their tax ID # for Project Graduation. It was discussed that if Brown Graham thought it was ok, the board agreed to do it.,

Missie reported that the banquet was a great success. There was discussion about food, etc. but all felt it was a very good banquet.

Missie let everyone read a letter from the Diner declining to continue Chamber membership. With no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

## It's A Girl!

Misti and Brandon Babitzke of Tulsa, Oklahoma proudly announce he birth of their daughter Haley Alexis.

Born Friday, February 21, 2003, at 12:53 p.m., the little miss weighed seven pounds and four ounces.

Her grandparents are Buford and Karen Babitzke Her great grandparents are Henry and Christina Babitzke and Chuck Harris



You've found it.

### Panhandle Diner & Deli

217 Main Street · 659-3864 · Spearman, TX Hours: Mon., Tues. & Wed.: 8 a.m.-2 p.m.; Thurs. & Fri.: 8 a.m.-8 p.m.; Sat.: 8 a.m.-2 p.m.; Sun.: 11 a.m.-2 p.m.

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Basic

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Sponging/Stenciling/ Glazing/Texturing Class Want to change the look of your walls but money is a problem? Let GIna Gillispie show you some tricks of the trade. Students will learn sponging to blend colors and how to shade stencils. Add texture to your walls to dramatically change the look. Students will practice on poster board and go home ready to attack their walls! aturday , April 12th • 10 a.m. 20 Spearman High School

To register for classes call the Community Resource Office at 659-3233



Betty's

**Footprints** 



Supporting Those Who Serve –

Several people have inquired about the mailing address 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 con-

The Hansford County Reporter-Statesman is asking family members of 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 you help.

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> Stephanie Bynum-Cousineau 1946 NE Loop 410 San Antonio, Tx 78217

Staff Sargent Edgar Nava HHD 36th Signal Battalion unit #15026 Box 141 APO AP 96218-5026 email edgar.nava@us.army.mil

> COAST GUARD Petty Officer Clinton N. Townsen 5735 NE 16th Ave. Portland, Oregon 97211 email ctownsen@yahoo.com

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.

