

Senator Seliger to **Kick Off His Tour of Senate District 31**

AMARILLO, Texas -- State Senator Kel Seliger has embarked on his annual town hall meetings across Senate District 31 to discuss and receive feedback from constituents on the recently completed regular session of the 80th Legislature.

"Town hall meetings have proven to be a great opportunity to report to my con-stituents about the activities of the Texas Legislature." said Seliger.

Starting in his hometown of Borger on August 7th, Seliger will continue making stops in each of the 26 counties over the next several weeks to visit with constituents throughout the Panhandle, South Plains and the Permian Basin.

"These visits help me to develop new ideas about how best to represent the citizens of the 31st District in the Texas Senate."

Upcoming stops on Senator Seliger's town hall meeting schedule include:

Tuesday, August 21

11:30 - 1:00 p.m. - Martin County Town Hall Meeting; Location: Martin County Community Center, 301 North Saint Theresa, Stanton

Tuesday, September 18

9:30 - 10:30 a.m. - Hansford County Town Hall Meeting; Location: Gruver High School, 405 Garrett Avenue

11:15 - 12:15 p.m. - Ochiltree County Town Hall Meeting; Location: Frank Phillips College, 2314 South Jefferson, Perryton

Jarvis Receives Texas A&M Inspiration Award

Wesley Jarvis, a retired chemistry and computer science teacher at Borger High School, received the Texas A&M University Inspiration Award for Exceptional Education during summer commencement ceremonies Friday, Aug. 10, in Reed Arena.

Teachers selected to receive this unusual award - believed to be the first of its type by any university in Texas - are nominated by one of their former students who are about to graduate from Texas A&M.

Recipients of the award are recognized during commencement ceremonies at the university where they are presented a check for \$2,000. Their high school receives \$1,000.

As a university known for valuing excellence, leadership and service, the Office of the President sponsors the award as a way of recognizing those values in the teachers who have inspired and challenged their students to excel.

"I have never met another teacher who cared more about students than Mr. Jarvis," said Laura Cummings, who nominated Jarvis for the award. Cummings, who graduated with both a bachelor of arts in accounting and a master's degree in finance, said she will be the first in her family to graduate from college. Jarvis, an Aggie from the Class of 1967, encouraged her to go to Texas A&M. "He is the one who talked me into coming down here for Aggieland Saturday (a program that offers prospective students a chance to learn more about life at Texas A&M) and in a large part is responsible for me attending Texas A&M. He even kept in touch with me my freshman year to ensure everything was going well," she added. "It is a very humbling and rewarding thing for a teacher to be honored in this way." Jarvis said when asked how he felt about the award. "It doesn't surprise me at all but it does please me that this student has done so well. Laura has excelled in all her academic pursuits," he added. Cummings said she wants Jarvis to know that he was an inspiration to all of his students. "I would love for him to know that all of his hard work and dedication to us as high school students did not go unnoticed, unappreciated or unrewarded," she said. Jarvis certainly knows that now and, because award recipients are given the opportunity to present Texas A&M diplomas to the former student who nominated them an honor normally retained by the universi-

ty president -Cummings' wish will come true.

Jarvis taught for 14 years at Spearman years before retiring in 2002. High School and also taught for two years at

Frank Phillips College before moving to Borger High School, where he taught for six



1:30 - 2:30 p.m - Lipscomb County Town Hall Meeting; Location: Booker Library, 600 South Main, Booker

Wednesday, September 19

11:30 - 12:30 p.m. - Roberts County Town Hall Meeting; Location: Miami High School Auditorium, 321 Wichita, Miami

Spearman ISD **Mandatory Drug Testing Parent/Student Meeting**

Spearman ISD has a Random Student Drug Testing Policy for all students in grades 7-12 who are involved in extra-curricular activities. Consent to drug-use testing is mandatory for all students to participate in any extra-curricular activity.

Alsc, participating students and at least one parent/guardian must attend a required annual meeting. The last meeting for this school year will be held in the High School Auditorium on August 21 at 6 p.m. Failure of the student and/or parent/guardian to attend at least one meeting will prevent the student from extracurricular activity participation.

If you have any questions, please contact Bill Belger, Principal, at 659-2584.

Weather Forecast

THURSDAY NIGHT - Mostly cloudy with a 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Lows around 70. East winds 10 to 15 mph.

FRIDAY - Mostly cloudy. A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms in the afternoon. Highs in the mid 90s. East winds 10 to 20 mph.

FRIDAY NIGHT - Mostly cloudy. Lows around 70.

SATURDAY - Partly cloudy. Highs in the mid 90s.

SATURDAY NIGHT - Partly cloudy. Lows around 70.

SUNDAY - Partly cloudy. Highs in the upper 90s.

SUNDAY NIGHT - Partly cloudy. Lows in the lower 70s.

MONDAY - Partly cloudy. Highs in the upper 90s.

MONDAY NIGHT - Partly cloudy. Lows in the upper 60s.

TUESDAY - Partly cloudy. Highs in the upper 90s.

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Wesley Jarvis poses with Laura Cummings after the graduation ceremony on Friday, August 10, 2007 at Texas A&M University. Jarvis received the Texas A&M University Inspiration Award for Exceptional Education Award. Cummings, a former student of Jarvis', nominated him for the award.

Comptroller Susan Combs Announces Changes in August Sales Tax Holiday Second Opportunity for Tax-Free Shopping Coming Next Year

that the date for the annual sales tax holiday has changed from the first weekend of August to the third weekend of August. Combs also said backpacks, a standard item on many kids' school supply lists, can now be purchased tax free during the sales tax holiday.

"From now on, the sales tax holiday will occur on the third Friday, Saturday and Sunday of August," Combs said. "This year, the date is Aug. 17-19."

Since many school districts are now starting their school year later, the 80th Legislature changed the date of the sales tax holiday to move it closer to the first day of school.

During the sales tax holiday, children's and adults' clothing and shoes priced less than \$100 - and now backpacks that cost less than \$100 - are exempt from state and local sales taxes.

"The Legislature responded to parents' requests to add backpacks to the list of taxexempt items," Combs said. "Backpacks can be expensive, especially for parents who have to buy them for several children. A tax break helps."

Combs also announced that, starting in May 2008, energy-efficient appliances will be exempt from sales tax during the three-day Memorial Day weekend. Certain appliances with a federal Energy Star rating will be taxfree, including washing machines, dishwashers, ceiling fans, dehumidifiers, programmable thermostats and incandescent

Comptroller Susan Combs announced fluorescent light bulbs. Air conditioners and the demand for electricity will be priced at \$6,000 or less and refrigerators priced at \$2,000 or less can also be purchased tax free.

"Texas consumers will save about \$8 for every \$100 they spend on qualifying appliances." Combs said. "Even more importantly, they will reap savings on their utility bills by purchasing energy-efficient appliances,

reduced.'

The Comptroller predicts families will save about \$52.1 million in sales taxes during the August sales tax holiday.

More information about the August sales tax holiday for clothing and shoes can be found on the Comptroller's Web site at www.window.state.tx.us.

Below is a selected list of items and their exemption status during the sales tax holiday

TAX-Free

Baby clothes

Backpacks for use by elementary and secondary students Belts with attached buckles

Boots - cowboy, hiking

Caps/hats - baseball, fishing, golf, knitted Coats and wraps

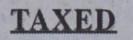
Diapers - adult and baby

Dresses

Gloves (generally)

Gym suits and uniforms

Hooded shirts and hooded sweatshirts



Accessories (generally) - barrettes, elastic ponytail holders, wallets, watches Backpacks - unless for use by elementary and secondary students Baseball cleats and pants Belt buckles (without belt) Boots - climbing, fishing, rubber work boots, ski, waders Buttons and zippers Cloth and lace, knitting yarns, and other fabrics Dry cleaning services Football pants Golf gloves Handbags and purses Handkerchiefs Hard hats Helmets - bike, baseball, football, hockey, motorcycle, sports Ice skates Jewelry Laundering services Leather goods - except belts with buckles and wearing apparel Pads - football, hockey, soccer, elbow, knee, shoulder Personal flotation devices Rented clothing (including uniforms, formal wear, and costumes) Roller blades and skates Safety clothing, glasses Shoes - bicycle (cleated), bowling, golf

Robert Howell - 620 Endicott Louis Schnell - 1015 Barkley **Bill Pittman - 508 Roland**

If you have a yard you would like to nominate, please contact the Spearman Chamber of Commerce at 659-5555.

Spearman Lynx VS. **Gruver** Greyhounds Saturday, August 18th **Gruver Varsity Field** Scrimmage at 6 p.m.

Hosiery Jackets Jeans Jerseys - baseball and football Jogging apparel Neckwear and ties Pajamas Pants and trousers Raincoats and ponchos Robes Shirts Shoes - sandals, slippers, sneakers, tennis, walking Socks (including athletic) Shorts Suits, slacks, and jackets Sweatshirts Sweat suits Sweaters Swimsuits Underclothes Work clothes and uniforms

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OPINION





My daughter, Jennifer, sent me the following. I have known for a while that I had problems. But, it was only after reading the following that I knew what it was. Thank goodness there's a name for this disorder. is only one check left. Somehow I feel better, even though I have it!!

AAADD **KNOW THE SYMPTOMS**

Recently, I was diagnosed with A.A.A.D.D. - Age Activated Attention Deficit Disorder. This is how it manifests:

I decide to water my garden.

As I turn on the hose in the driveway, I look over at my car and decide it needs washing.

As I start toward the garage, I notice mail on the porch t able that I brought up from the mail box earlier.

mail before I wash the car.

table, put the junk mail in the garbage can under the table, and notice that the can is full.

So, I decide to put the bills back on the table and take out the garbage first.

But then I think, since I'm going to be near the mailbox when I take out the garbage anyway, I may as well pay the bills first.

I take my check book off the table, and see that there

My extra checks are in my desk in the study, so I go inside the house to my desk where I find the can of Coke I'd been drinking.

I'm going to look for my checks, but first I need to push the Coke aside so that I don't accidentally knock it over.

The Coke is getting warm, and I decide to put it in the refrigerator to keep it cold.

As I head toward the kitchen with the Coke, a vase of flowers on the counter catches my eye--they need water.

counter and discover my reading glasses that I've p from the main box can be ing. I decide to go through the ing. I decide I better put them I decide I better put them

back on my desk, but first I'm going to water the flowers.

I set the glasses back down on the counter, fill a container with water and suddenly spot the TV remote. Someone left it on the kitchen table.

I realize that tonight when we go to watch TV, I'll be looking for the remote, but I won't remember that it's on the kitchen table, so I decide to put it back in the den where it belongs, but first I'll water the flowers.

I pour some water in the flowers, but quite a bit of it spills on the floor.

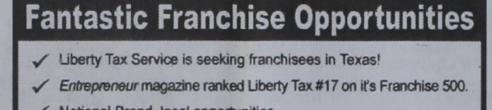
So, I set the remote back on the table, get some towels and wipe up the spill.

Then, I head down the hall trying to remember what I was planning to do.

At the end of the day: the car isn't washed, the bills aren't paid, there is a warm can of Coke sitting on the counter, the flowers don't have enough water, there is still only one check in my check book, I can't find the I put the Coke on the remote, I can't find my glasses, and I don't remember what I did with the car keys.

Then, when I try to figure out why nothing got done today, I'm really baffled because I know I was busy all day long, and I'm really tired.

> Until the next time, God bless.



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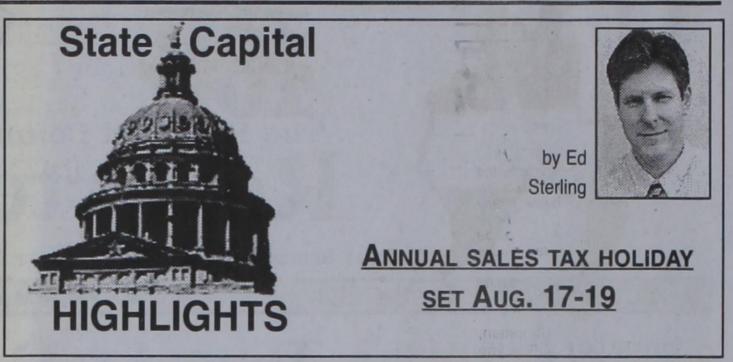
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holiday.

For the first time backly used by elementary and third weekend in August to exempt. The new exemption day of school. includes backpacks with a traditional backpack.

Comptroller Susan Combs districts, estimates that shoppers can "Most families take advansave about \$8 on every \$100 tage of the sales tax holiday they spend during the state to sales tax holiday.

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state sales tax holiday is qualify for the sales tax Aug. 17-19 and Texas shop- exemption include baby

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packs under \$100 specifical- tax holiday was moved to the by Gov. Perry since 1999. secondary students also are better coincide with the first maker

wheels, provided they can change the date of the sales Massachusetts also be worn on the back like tax holiday because schools Hospital Aug. 6 with a low are opening later in many heart rate. On Aug. 8 he Combs said. back-to-school buy

clothes for the kids. " TPWD to hire 200 new Conference workers

The Texas Parks and ing. Wildlife Department is adding 200 new employees to recall state parks after receiving increased funding from the General is urging Texas con-Texas Legislature during this year 's session.

first for the state park sys- Safety Commission issued a tem in many years and fol- recall due to potential lead lows several lean years where poisoning hazards.

Examples of items that speechwriting, public affairs and political consulting.

For the last nine years, pers will get a break from clothes, boots, diapers, neck- Bearse has been Perry's prinstate and local sales taxes for wear and ties, pajamas and ciple speechwriter, authoring two inaugural addresses, the Items not covered in the governor's initial oath of Lay-away plans can be holiday include belt buckles, office speech, four State-ofused again this year to take most sport specific shoes the-State speeches, and advantage of the sales tax such as baseball cleats, three Republican state con-This year the annual sales nearly 2,000 speeches given

Carrollton rep gets pace-

State Rep. Jim Jackson, R-"The Legislature voted to Carrollton, was admitted to General received a permanent pacemaker and flew home a day later.

> Jackson was in Boston attending the National of State Legislatures' annual meet-

AG alerts parents to toy

The Office of the Attorney sumers to stop using certain toys after Fisher-Price and The staffing increase is the the U.S. Consumer Product

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be advertised through the popular children's programs TPWD Web www.tpwd.state.tx.us and excessive levels of lead, will be filled in September which could be toxic if and October.

"We're looking for people who are really excited about recalled toys were sold helping take care of some of nationwide from May 2007 to the most special places in August 2007. The products our state, folks who are were sold both alone and as interested in a long-term parts of sets. The toys are all career with Texas State marked with "Fisher-Price" Parks," said Walt Dabney, and may have a date code TPWD state parks director. Gov's

resigns

Gov. Rick Perry's director of communications, Eric recalled toys can be found on Bearse, resigned Aug. 6 to the Attorney General's Web form his own consulting site at www.oag.state.tx.us. business, specializing in

acters from Sesame Street. The available positions will Dora the Explorer and other site contain surface paints with ingested.

More than 950,000 of the between 109-7LF and 187speechwriter 7LF marked on the product or packaging.

A detailed list of the



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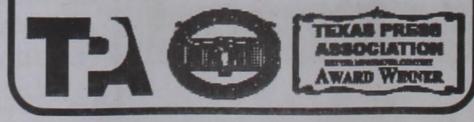
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U Birthday!

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

August 16

Birthday - Corky Chapman, Ed Fry, Ronny Womble, Wayne Burchard, Ben Dunaway, Sondra Younger, Felix Sandaval, Tyce Hergert, Teresa Cook, Sharon Ross, Jason Villines, Lillie Love, Kathy Love, Nicholas Vinson, Ruben Gomez, Donetta Greene, Carlos Hernandez, Alexander Davis

Anniversary - M/M Bill Sparks August 17

Birthday - Christy Brown, Guy Paul Hindergart, Allison Reid, Dean Sparks, Dodie Beedy, Delinda McLaughlin, Halee Rice, Bo Bensinger, Kimberly Boyd

Anniversary - Betty & Dub Womble, M/M Danny Jackson, M/M Don Allen, M/M Wayne Ware, Kitty & Frank Edwards, David & Kim Swink

August 18

Birthday - Brenda Dahl, Carla Johnson, Heather Murrell, Jack Weldon, Tina Wilmeth, Jerry Beth Prachar, Tammy Welch, Kenneth Burke, Bob Cook, Robbin Keetch, Pat Miller, Jeanie Bennett, Glen Ward, Andrew Correll, Janet Mayo Anniversary - M/M David Link, M/M Dennis Baker, M/M Charles Deakin

August 19 Birthday - Diana Bradshaw, Buddy Murrell, Kenton Odom, Linda Tidwell, Carey Bridges, Perry Dixon, Mary Lou Mathews, Chris Trout, Lisa Collins, Teddy Lynn Whitefield, Melissa Harvey, Joshua Miller, Jordan Fisher, Lenny Pecha Anniversary - M/M Kelly Smith, M/M Larry Hicks, M/M **Jim Bartimus** August 20 Birthday - David Bergin, Joyce Messer, Joyce Lackey, Irene Snider, Tony Hart, Shelley Edenborough, Joe Olivarez, Derek Irlbeck, Kathy Lewis, Jodi Hight Anniversary - M/M Mike Grotegut, M/M Les Barkley, M/M Tommy Russell, M/M Larry Babbs

Babitzke, Joshua Bynum, Rick Harvey, Coy H. Kelly Jr, Shane Hill

Anniversary - M/M Dwayne Marrs

August 22

Birthday - Amber Roberts, Autumn Roberts, Tony Hester, Michelle Davis, Tuesday Reed, Jonell Sheets, Roger Brown, Marge Papay, John Michael Sterling, Phil Garza, Kathrine Tope, Janie Perez, Garrett Griffin, Brian Robinson, Brett Winegarner, Janie Reza, Kay Snider

Anniversary - M/M Silva, Kenneth & Lisa Brown, M/M Pat Jackson

August 23

Birthday - Ann Dorman, Reagan Baker, Eddie Reed, Mitchell, Donnie Sara Blackburn, Ralph Blodgett, Bill Jack Pittman, Kathy Lewis, Miriam Mendoza Anniversary - M/M Billy DeArmond, M/M Chris Johnson, M/M Jimmie Vernon Chris August 24

Birthday - Frances Atwood, Laci Fitzgerald, Sarah Van Buskirk, Rosio Rosales, Charlie West, Claudine Clark, Melissa Kay McLain, Lila West, Marilyn Hughes, Scott Houghton, Willie Lee Wilkerson, LeRoy Farris, Clayton Wilkerson, Charlie West, Travis Boyd

Anniversary - M/M Terry Austin, M/M Dwayne Mitchell, M/M Randy Brown

August 25

Birthday - Carol Ross, Kathleen Sutton, Connie Sue Wooley, Kathy Yancey, Linda Young, Courtney Roach, Kathrine Pipkin, Gay Bowen, Michael Janzen, Katie Miesner Anniversary - M/M Butch Lasater, M/M Roy Don

Words from Faith & Grace

by Cecil R. Biggers, Lutheran Lay Minister

In the twelfth week of Pentecost, we study Jeremiah 23:23-29, Psalm 82:8, Hebrews 11:29-12:2, and Luke 12:49-56. Jeremiah faced opposition from false prophets, but how to reveal them? The test of a "false prophet" is if the "prophesy" does not come true; however, in Jeremiah's prophesy there was not time to wait. Jeremiah reminds the people that God is here! God is not far away, we cannot hide our actions from Him. God knows our deeds; God knows our nature; therefore, we must speak God's word faithfully. We have already studied Psalm 82, but the Psalmist in verse 8 sings, "Rise up, O God, judge the earth; for all the nations belong to you!" God judged the false prophets of Jeremiah's day and He shall judge us all.

The writer of Hebrews continues his lecture on "Faith" He names the "heroes of the faith" who have preceded us. He points out that these "heroes" believed the promises of God, suffered many terrible experiences; yet, they never saw the completion of God's promises. He says, "Therefore since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses...let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us". This can be read two ways and may be meant two ways. The "heroes" of the faith who preceded us, surround us in our remembrance and inspire us to greater deeds and if we believe in the "communion of saints" as in the Apostles' Creed, we may well picture these "heroes" in heaven cheering us on to the finish line of our lives. We attain Faith through God's Grace and sustain that Faith through prayer. There is a sign at the entrance to Winchester Cathedral that reads, "You are entering a conversation that began long before you were born, and will continue long after you are dead". Consider that prayer is a conversation with God.

Jesus has turned from teaching the crowds and has started preparing his disciples for their trials and glory. He tells them, "I have a baptism with which to be baptized, and what stress I am under until it is completed." The word "baptism" as used here means "submerged" as in a sunken vessel. Jesus is saying that he has a grim and terrible expe-rience to get through before he emerges victorious. If this is true of the Master can it be less true for the disciple? Jesus then takes the crowd to task for being able to predict the weather, but not being able to interpret the present time. What did the crowd miss seeing in Jesus' parables? Behold, the Kingdom of God is here!

May the Holy Spirit enable you through faith to run the race of your life to victory!

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CECIL RAY CHISUM

BORGER - Cecil Ray Chisum, 63, died Sunday, Aug. 12, 2007.

Services were at 11 a.m. Wednesday, August 15, 2007 in Wesley United Methodist Church with the Rev. Dr. Jerry Lane, pastor, and chaplain John Watson officiating. Burial was in Highland Park Cemetery by Minton/Chatwell Funeral Directors of Borger.

Mr. Chisum served in the U.S. Air Force during the Vietnam War. He worked as a computer operator for Sid Richardson Carbon Black for 29 years, retiring in 2006.

Survivors include his wife, Dee; two sons, Chris Chisum and Tim Chisum, both of Borger; a daughter, Tammy Pfeiffer of Loveland, Colo.; and eight grandchildren.

MARGARET ETHEL SMITH

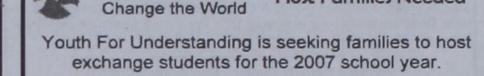
SPOKANE, WA - Margaret Ethel Smith, 75 passed away August 8, 2007 in Spokane, WA.

A Graveside Service will be held Saturday, August 18, 2007 at 11 AM at the Gruver Cemetery in Gruver, TX. Boxwell Brothers, Inc., Spearman, TX.

She was born April 3, 1932 in Skarda, NM to John Edgar and Lizzie Morris Cotter. Margaret grew up in Gruver, TX, where she graduated high school in 1950. She married Dwight Smith and they lived in several different areas because he was in the Air Force. Eventually, they settled in Cheney, WA and later divorced. They had 5 children. Margaret moved to Medical Lake, WA. When she was 35, she earned her LPN degree and worked at the Lakeland Village in Medical Lake.

Margaret became disabled when she was 58 and moved to Thornton, WA, where her son, Maurice took care of her for the last 15 years. She was a member of the Church of Christ and enjoyed spending time with her children and her job as a LPN.

Margaret is survived by her children, Vera Williams of Thornton, WA, Joanna Bray of Pauls Valley, OK, Maurice Smith of Thornton, WA, Michael Smith of Henderson, NV and Steve Smith of Spokane, WA; her siblings, Mary Gruver of Cimarron, NM, Charles Cotter of Dimmitt, TX, Donald Cotter of Gruver, TX and Peggy Dillow of Gruver, TX; 5 grandchildren and several great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by a sister, 2 brothers and her parents.



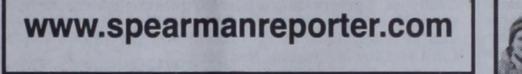
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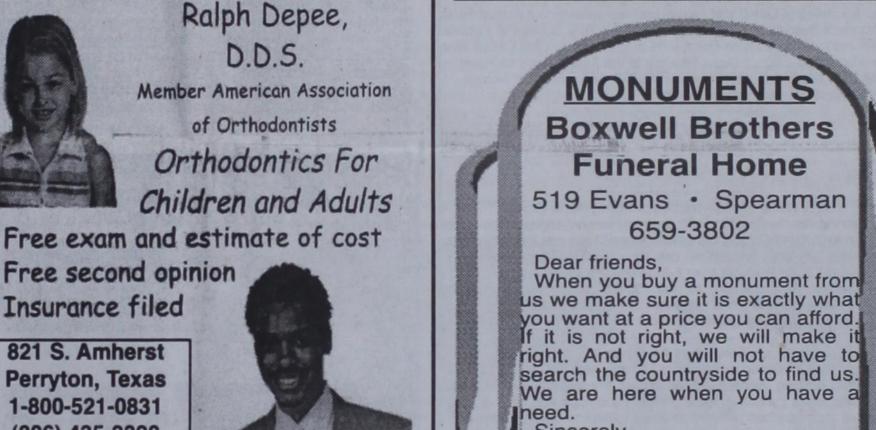
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First Assembly of God 401 N. Bernice • 659-2295 Sunday School: 9:30 a.m. Worship: 10:35 a.m. Kid's Church: 10:35 a.m. Evening Worship: 6 p.m. Wed. Worship: 7 p.m. Wed. Youth: 7 Pastor - Bob Elder

First Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) 29 S. Bernice • 659-2036 Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Worship: 10:50 a.m. Minister -

First Baptist Church 123 N. Bernice • 659-5557 Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Worship: 11 a.m. Evening Worship: 7 p.m. Men's Bible Study - Wed., 7 a.m. Children's Choir - Wed, 6 p.m. Adult Choir - Wed. 7 p.m. Wed. Bible Study: 7 p.m. Pastor - Jim Medley

Church of Christ 121 S. Haney · 659-3244 Sacred Heart Catholic Church 901 Roland • 659-2792 Sat. Night Mass: 5:30 p.m. Sun. Mass: 9 a.m. - English Sun. Mass: 11:30 - Spanish 1:30 p.m. - Gruver - Christo Rendentor Mass - Spanish **Rev. Guillermo Morales**

First United Methodist 407 S. Haney · 659-5503 Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Worship: 8:30 & 11 a.m. High Youth: 5 p.m. Sunday High School: 6 p.m.. Sunday Kids Club: 3 p.m. Wed. Pastor - Neely Landrum

Grace Presbyterian Church (Worships with Faith Lutheran Church) 1101 Bernice · 659-2033 Pastor - Beverly Cook Faith Lutheran Church (ELCA) 1101 Bernice · 659-2252 Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Worship: 11 a.m. Worships with Grace Presbyterian Church) Pastor - Beverly Cook

> **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 - Dr. Timothy Minor

Fellowship Baptist 1102 S. Archer • 659-2783 Sunday School: 10 a.m.

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. Pastor Joe Garcia Jr.

El Aposento Alto U.P.C.I. 1105 S. Roland Domingos: Escuela-Dominical - 10 a.m. Culto Evangelistico - 7 p.m. Jueves: Oracion - 8 p.m Mier: Estudio Biblico - 7 p.m. Pastor - A.G. Martell (806) 659-2153

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: 7:00 p.m. Minister - Gaylord Cook

First Christian Church 510 King • 733-2960 Sunday School: 10:00 a.m. Sunday Worship: 11 a.m.

Broadway & Garrett 733-2651 Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Worship: 8:30 & 10:50 a.m. Eve. Worship & UMY: 6 p.m. Pastor - George Price

Gruver United Methodist

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

Oslo

Oslo Lutheran Church (ELCA) 6 Miles West & 12 Miles North of Gruver 339-7646 Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Worship: 11 a.m. Pastor - Arlen Lloyd

Morse

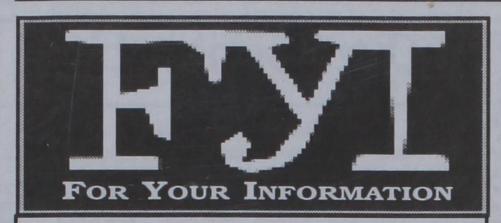
Morse Baptist Church 733-2757 Pastor - Mike Martin

He has showed you, O man, what is good. And what does the LORD require of you? To act justly and to love





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NITRO

The NITRO high school youth group will not be meeting the rest of the summer. We will resume Monday, September 17th for the Back to School Hog Roast.

Spearman Soccer Association

The Spearman Soccer Association will hold sign-ups for kids ages 4-10 (by September 1st) on Thursday, August 16th and Monday, August 20th from 4-6 p.m. at the Spearman Dairy Queen. Entry fees are \$35, and are due at the time of registration. For more information, call Abby Pipkin at 733-9439.

Gruver Blood Drive

Coffee Memorial Blood Center is hosting a blood drive in the Gruver area on Tuesday, August 28th, from 2-7 p.m. at Gruver State Bank, 3 Main Plaza in Gruver. Every eligible donor who presents to donate will receive a T-Shirt and be entered into a drawing to win 6 months of free milk from Gandy's! To schedule an appointment, please call 1-877-574-8800. ALL BLOOD TYPES ARE CURRENTLY NEEDED!

Women's Conference

Victory Center Church, Guymon, Ok., will be holding their annual Women's Conference at 5th and Quinn, August 23-25th. The theme of this year's conference is "Treasured and Unique". Early Bird registration fee before August 15th is \$30 and \$35 after August 15th. This fee includes lunch, all sessions and fingerfoods after the evening session. To register, call Victory Center Church, 580-338-5616 or e-mail victory@ptsi.net.

Yello Dyno to be in Perryton Parade

HEY KIDS! YELLO DYNO will be in the Perryton Parade on Saturday, August 25th. Would you like to be in the parade with YelloDyno? If so, have your parents call Janice at the Panhandle Crisis Center, (806) 435-5008.

SHS Class of 1987 Holds 20-Year Reunion

The Spearman High School Class of 1987 will celebrate their 20-year High School Reunion on Saturday, August 18th. Please contact Shari (Vernon) Skaggs at 940-455-2308 or skaggsfam@verizon.net for more information, or if you can help us to locate any of the following members of the Class of 87: Diana Arjona, Kim Branstetter, Margaret Espinosa, Lynette Gomez. Diane Sorgi, Scott Taylor.

Perryton Activity Center - Volleyball Registration

Youth Volleyball games will begin in early September for girls in grades 3rd-6th. Fees are \$20 for PAC Members and \$50 for all non PAC members. Deadline to sign-=up is August 17th. For more information please call Barry at 806-435-3661.

Perryton Activity Center - Soccer Registration

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Lusby-McCloy wedding

After 32 years, divergent paths and a blessed reconnection, high school sweethearts Katina Frances McCloy and Lonnie Edward Lusby were married April 28 at 11 a.m. at the First Baptist Church in Spearman.

Officiating was the Rt. Rev. Leo Michael of St. Gabriel's Episcopal Church (UECNA), Springdale, Ark.

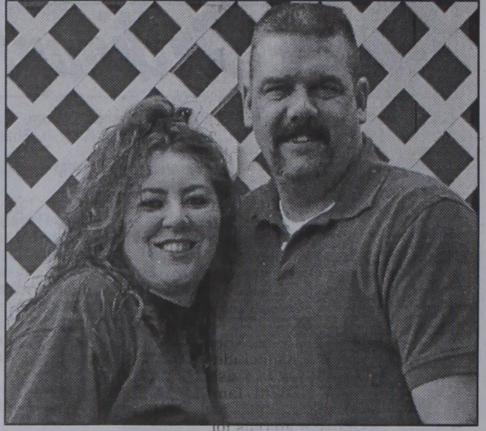
The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Willard (Si) McCloy of Morse. The groom is the son of Mrs. Dorothy Lusby and the late A.E. Lusby, Jr., of Spearman.

The bride wore an off-white embroidered voile dress that her grandmother, Leslie Braly, wore while courting Hutchinson County pioneer McLeod McCloy, whom she married in 1916. The bride accessorized it with a waistpiece of powder blue embroidered linen, made from a suit of her mother's, and a diamond forget-me-not necklace, a gift from the groom in 1973. She carried a hand-tied bouquet of pink roses, white lisianthus, baby's breath and green ivy.

Deborah Liefer of Colorado Springs attended the bride. Ronnie Stockton of Moore, Okla., attended the groom. Haley Byers, the groom's niece from Spearman, was flower girl.

Becky Byers, the groom's sister, and Kathye Archer, both of Spearman, sang "The Prayer," "Panis Angelicus" and "Great Is Thy Faithfulness." Carol Pack of Spearman was the pianist.

The groom's nieces, Allison Vyoral of Perryton and Mandi Lusby of Spearman, registered guests. Ushers were the groom's nephews, James Lusby and Albert Lusby of Amarillo and Michael Lusby of Spearman, and the bride's nephew, Clint McCloy of Clayton, New Mex. A reception featuring Colorado bison followed at The Bunkhouse restaurant in Spearman. Both the bride and groom are 1974 graduates of Spearman High School and both earned degrees from Texas Tech. She is a writer, editor and landscape consultant from Black Forest, Colo. The groom is retired from the heavy construction industry After a wedding trip to New Mexico and receptions in Black Forest and Arkansas, the couple is at home in Fayetteville, Ark.



Engagement Announcement

Johnny and Brenda Vera of Spearman announce the engagement and upcoming marriage of their daughter. Misty Dawn Rodgers, to Gary L Garrett, son of Roy Garrett and the late Joe Garrett of Fritch.

The couple will exchange vows on September 15, 2007, at 1:00 P.M., at First Baptist Church, 123 S Bernice in Spearman.

The bride elect is a graduate of Spearman High School and is employed by Hansford County Sheriff's Office.

The prospective groom is a graduate of Sanford - Fritch High School and is employed by Hansford County Sheriff's Office.

Thank you!

Coffee Memorial Blood Center hosted a Spearman Community Blood Drive on August 13th at The O'Louhlin Center. A total of 44 people supported the event, resulting in 35 units of blood!

Thank you for supporting Coffee Memorial Blood Center and the patients of the High Plains Region...Give the Gift of Life!

Please join us for a

Youth Soccer Fall League will begin in September. Games will be played on Saturdays and Mondays. Ages Pre K - 6th, boys and girls are encouraged to play. Fees are \$20 for PAC members and \$50 for non PAC members. The deadline to sign up is August 24th. For more information please call Barry at 806-435-3661

Area Agency on Aging

There is a series of Lunch and Learns coming up beginning August 14 at the Women's Building at 1400 Wallace from 11-1. The Senior Fall Festival (Health Fair) will be held on October 11 at the Amarillo Civic Center. For more information, contact Laura Hershey at the Area Agency on Aging in Amarillo, at (806) 331-2227 or Ihershey@theprpc.org. the Website is www.theprpc.org/programs/aaa/aaa.htm.

Tuesday Night Golf Scrambles The Spearman Golf Course holds Tuesday Night Scrambles, with a teetime of 6 p.m. sharp. For more information, or to sign up, call 270-0157 or 659-2233.

You're Never Alone - Narcotics Anonymous Group

Each year individuals struggling with drug and alcohol addiction make the resolution to quit using drugs. For many of them it is a resolution that they cannot keep. Narcotics Anonymous can help. Open meetings are held on Monday and Thursday nights 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 to attend. Drug addiction can leave you feeling helpless and out of control - we can help.

Spearhead AA Group

The Spearhead AA Group meets every Tuesday at 8 p.m. in the Pittman-Shieldknight building. Alcoholics Anonymous® is a fellowship of men and women who share their experience, strength and hope with each other to help solve their common problem and help others to recover from alcoholism. The only requirement for membership is a desire to stop drinking. There are no dues or fees for AA membership; we are self-supporting through our own contributions. Our primary purpose is to stay sober and help other alcoholics achieve sobriety. For information, call 662-1111.

Al-Anon

If you are concerned with someone else's drinking or addiction, the Al-Anon program can help you. Each Al-Anon Family Group has but one purpose - to help families and friends of alcoholics and addicts. The Spearhead Al-Anon Group meets every Tuesday night at 8 p.m. in the Pittman-Shieldknight Building, 511 SW 11th Avenue, Spearman. For more information, call 806-330-0349.





Misha Davis & Duane Dorsey - 8/11 Camille Smith & Scott Prewett - 9/8 Laura Gomez & Richardo Plascencia Daniele Catron & Randy Duffy Amy Boorigie & Doran Schoenhals Charlotte Procter & Tim Bynum Bethany Harris & Nick Peterson Syd Woodington & Don Codding Nikki Stewart & Brady Hart





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Circle of Friends Membership Party

The Hansford County Circle of Friends will host a membership party in support of The Don & Sybil Harrington Cancer Center on August 30, 2007 at 7:30 p.m. The party will be held at The O'Loughlin Center, 502 S. Brandt, in Spearman. The cost is \$20 per person, or \$35 per couple.

The Circle of Friends is a non-profit organization dedicated to helping cancer patients and their families in times of need. Through its affiliation with Harrington Cancer Center, the Circle of Friends develops and implements fund raising activities to provide financial assistance and patient care and support programs for those affected by cancer. The Circle of Friends also works with Harrington Cancer Center to provide cancer educational opportunities for people throughout the region.

Examples of Circle of Friends support of Harrington Cancer Center patients includes: Two furnished apartments for out-of-town patients to use when going through treatment; Pediatric patient/family gatherings (a day at Wonderland Park, Christmas party, etc.); Supplies for weekly support groups; Materials for chemotherapy classes, new patient books; Refreshments for patients during treatment; and Assistance with patients' travel, insurance premiums, rent or mortgage payments, medication, nutritional supplements, utilities and breast prosthesis

For more information on the Hansford County Circle of Friends, or if you are interested in attending and/or volunteering to help with the event, please contact Holly McLain at (806) 733-2268 or Erika Stedje at (806) 733-2509.

Treasured & Unique Overcoming in Life Women's

Conference Set for August 23-25 Women of Victory proudly presents their 2007 Overcoming In Life Conference highlighting "Treasured and Unique" as this year's theme. The conference will convene on August 23rd-25th at Victory Center Church, 5th and Quinn, in Guymon, Ok.

The conference will commence on Thursday afternoon, August 23rd, with registration

starting at 5:00 p.m. and the Evening Session beginning at 6:30 p.m. The First Morning Session

on Friday, August 24th, will start at 9:00 a.m. with the Second Morning Session starting at 10:30 a.m. Events for the day will include a delicious luncheon at noon with the Afternoon Session starting at 1:00 p.m. The Second Afternoon Session will be at 2:30 p.m. There will be an afternoon break starting at 3:30 p.m. with the Evening Session starting at 6:30 p.m. Saturday's meetings will resume with the First Morning Session at 9:00 a.m., the Second Morning Session will begin at 10:30 a.m. with the conclusion of the conference ending at noon. Fingerfoods will be served following Evening Sessions and no nursery will be provided. Again, we will be giving away a makeover on Friday morning, August 24th, which includes a visit to the beauty salon for a new hairstyle and makeup and an opportu-nity to pick out a new outfit. You must be present to win. Special guest speaker for this year's conference is Nancy James, a Preacher and Evangelist who ministers in the miraculous. God has established a very clear prophetic ear within her, and her mix of humor, street smarts and everyday life experiences help to create an atmosphere in which everyone can receive from God. She preaches the uncompromised Word of God with signs and wonders following. The other featured speaker and conference hostess is Margaret Mendenhall, whose anointed ministry will share powerful, practical insights into the word of God. Other speakers will include Tamy Mendenhall, co-pastor of World Harvest Church in Enid, Oklahoma, who will share a timely word. Also, Kim Like, from Folsom, New Mexico, mother of five boys and popular conference speaker, will teach a workshop on "Cultivating the Treasure in Your Children." Beth Elliott will lead in anointed praise and worship. Women of Victory Center Church want to invite every lady to come and experience anointed music, food, fun, fellowship and most of all the transforming presence of God. For more information, or to register, call 580-338-5616 or e-mail victory @ptsi.net.

Spearman Police Department Launches 'Drunk Driving. Over the Limit. Under Arrest' **Crackdown on August 17**

Major Enforcement Effort Seeks to Save Lives

In 2005, nearly 13,000 people died in highway crashes involving a driver or motorcycle operator with a blood alcohol concentration (BAC) of .08 or higher. The picture for motorcycle operators is particularly bleak. Forty-one percent of the 1,878 motorcycle operators who died in single-vehicle crashes in 2005 had BAC levels of .08 or higher.

That is why the Spearman Department Police announced today they will be joining with thousands of other law enforcement and highway safety agencies across the nation from August 17 throughout the Labor Day holiday to take part in the Drunk Driving. Over the Limit. Under Arrest. crackdown on impaired driv-

"Make no mistake. Our message is simple. No matter what you drive-a passenger car, pickup, sport utility vehicle or motorcycle-if we catch you driving impaired, we will arrest you. No exceptions. No excuses," said Senior Patrolman Brian Massey . We will be out in full force to get more drunk

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America's deadliest crimes. save lives that might otherwise be lost.

> "Driving with a BAC of .08 or higher is illegal in every state. Yet we continue to see far too many people suffer debilitating injuries and loss of their loved ones as a result of impaired driving. This careless disregard for human life must stop. To help ensure that happens, The Spearman PD is dedicated to arresting impaired drivers wherever and whenever we find them," said Corporal Jessica Kay.

"Drunk driving is simply not worth the risk. Not only do you risk killing yourself or someone else, but the trauma and financial costs of a crash or an arrest for impaired driving can be significant," said Officer Massey. "Violators often face jail time, the loss of their driver's license, higher insurance rates, attorney fees,

Drunk driving is one of drivers off the road-and time away from work, and dozens of other expenses.

"So don't take the chance. Remember, if you are over the limit, you are under arrest."

The national Drunk Driving. Over the Limit. Under Arrest. impaired driving crackdown is a prevention program organized by the U.S. Department of Transportation's National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) that g.

focuses on combining highvisibility enforcement with heightened public awareness through advertising and publicity.

This year's effort is supported by \$11 million in paid-national advertising to help put everyone on notice that if they are caught driving impaired, they will be arrested.

For more information, visit www.StopImpairedDriving.or

Gruver Community Blood Drive

Coffee Memorial Blood Center is hosting a blood drive in the Gruver area on Tuesday, August 28th, from 2-7 p.m. at Gruver State Bank, 3 Main Plaza in Gruver.

Every eligible donor who presents to donate will receive a T-Shirt and be entered into a drawing to win High Plains Region...Give the 6 months of free milk from Gift of Life! Gandy's!

To schedule an appointment, please call 1-877-574-8800.

ALL BLOOD TYPES ARE **CURRENTLY NEEDED!**

The need is real. There is no substitute for blood. It can only come from volunteer blood donors. Please support the patients of the



Thursday, August 30, 2007-Sale Time: 9:00 a.m. McLain Farm Equipment—Owners Located: Crowell, Texas-Selling: Farm Equipment, Parts, Real Estate, Tractors



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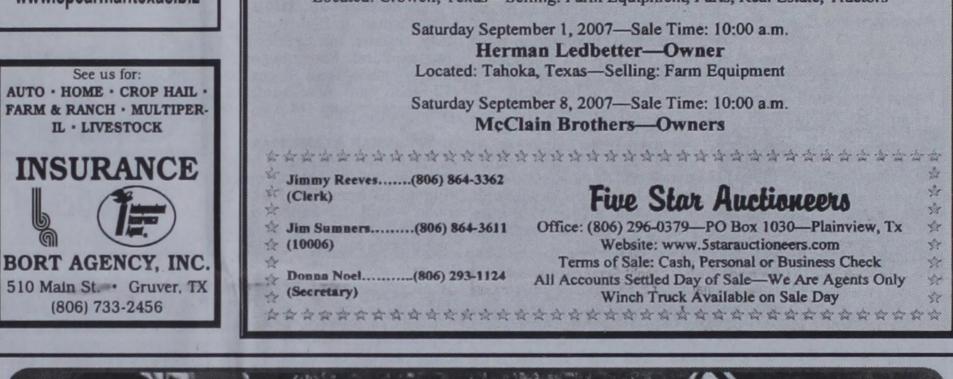
Nicholson, Viola George, Don and Mary Allen, Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Vernon in memory of Kurk

Adams

Last year Booster Club gave 19 scholarships, pur-chased a Shoot-A-Way for the basketball programs and helped with the scoreboard. Again - THANKS A BUNCH to all the Spearman businesses and families for all that you do for Booster Club.



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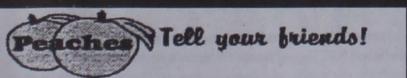


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Spearman **Booster** Club

p.m. We are requesting the

public would not drive in

those areas - so the paint can

dry. We ask that no one park

between the school and field

house street. We do not want

Lynxettes will be held August

football players, cross country

runners, cheerleaders and

coaches. The cheerleaders

from cheer camp will also be

Afterward a Community

wide tailgate party will take

place on the east side of the

football stands. Hotdogs, chip

and drinks will be provided for

anyone and Booster Club will

have a membership and mer-

chandise booth set up with

shirts, blankets, jackets,

pullovers, stadium seats, etc.

their annual membership

drive. Membership dues are

\$25 for businesses and \$10

for individuals and families.

We are also in the process of

participating.

for sell.

Meet the Lynx and

to paint anyone's vehicle.

Booster Club will have a called meeting August 17th at 6 p.m. at the High School parking lot, just before we paint paws on road ways. This meeting is to vote on purchasing the inflatable helmet and tunnel. All members are encouraged to attend this we will repaint the paws Football Field at 7 p.m. meeting to vote.

that are around the High Everyone is invited to meet the School, Elementary and Junior High, following this meeting, starting around 7



PG-13 -- Michelle Pfeiffer, Robert DeNiro

THE BOURNE ULTIMATUM

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PG - Nathalia Ramos

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If you would like to join the Spearman Booster Club, please contact Rhonda Baker at 659-5056.

The Spearman Booster Club is also selling Sports Sponsorship Packages. Quentin Shieldknight is going to broadcast the football and basketball games this year. He does a great job of making sure that all sponsors are put on every game.

The deadline to purchase a package is August 20th. Descriptions of the packages are as follows: Sports Sponsorship Packages: 1) Sponsors - \$2000/year includes 60-second taped commercials aired during live broadcast, individual page listed on Cable TV, live broadcast promotion; 2) Super Booster - \$1000/year Individual page listed on Cable TV, 30-second advertisement read from index card during live broadcast; 3) Booster -\$500/year - Name listed on Cable TV (running across bottom of screen), 15-second oneliner ad aired during live broadcast; 4) Signature Ads -\$50-\$200/year - Name listed on Cable TV

More information is also available online at spearmanlvnx.com.

School News

ADULT ESL CLASSES Spearman ISD Community **Resource Program and Region** 16 ESC are sponsoring Adult English Second Language classes. They began Tuesday, August 14 and will continue through May, each Tuesday and Thursday nights from 7-9pm. Dana Saylor, elementary ESL teacher, will teach the class in room 112 at

All students must confirm their schedule with Mrs. Curry on these dates.

GRUVER JR. HIGH AND ELEMENTARY

Elementary and Junior High registration will be held August 17 from 9 a.m.-12 noon and 1-4 p.m.

SPEARMAN JR. HIGH

HEAD OF THE Be part of the solution Shopping at home benefits everyone. Local merchants can provide things you can't get in the "BIG CITIES." Have any "Big City" businesses ever bought tickets for local fundraisers or contributed to worthwhile community projects? Have they ever bought ads in the school yearbooks or tickets to school activities? Have they ever put your posters in their windows? Do they attend local school activities and cheer from the sidelines? Have they always been handy and willing to service their mer-

chandise when you need it?

Have they always cheerfully and quickly exchanged merchandise or let you return merchandise for a cash refund without a receipt?

Have they ever special-ordered something for you and then given you a discount?

How many of their employees volunteer to help with local community service projects?

Have they ever bought popcorn, cookies or magazines from local children?

Have they ever bought a show animal from local children or supported them in a bike-a-thon?

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PG-13 -- Matt Damoi

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Spearman High School. For more information contact Cindy Blackman, Resource Community Coordinator, at 659-3233.

GRUVER HIGH SCHOOL Gruver High School registration and schedule confirmation will be August 16 from 9 a.m.-4 p.m. for Juniors and Seniors and August 17th from 9 a.m.-4 p.m. for Freshmen and Sophomores.

Spearman Jr. High students may register on Wednesday, August 22nd. Returning students register from 9 a.m. to 12 noon and new students may register from 1-4 p.m.

SPEARMAN ELEMENTARY Spearman Elementary registration will be held through August 17 from 8:30 a.m.-12 noon and 1-3:30 p.m. Elementary homeroom assignments were mailed this week.

2007 Property Tax Rates in City of Spearman

This notice concerns 2007 property tax rates for City of Spearman. It presents information about three tax rates. Last year's tax rate is the actual rate the taxing unit used to determine property taxes last year. This year's effective tax rate would impose the same total taxes as last year if you compare properties taxed in both years. This year's rollback tax rate is the highest tax rate the taxing unit can set before taxpayers can start tax rollback procedures. In each case these rates are found by dividing the total amount of taxes by the tax base (the total value of taxable property) with adjustments as required by state law. The rates are given per \$100 of property value.

Last year's tax rate:

	Last year's operating taxes	\$ 310,246	
	Last year's debt taxes	\$ 0	
	Last year's total taxes	\$ 310,246	
	Last year's tax base	\$ 62,061,612	
	Last year's total tax rate	0.499900 /\$100	
This	year's effective tax rate:		
	Last year's adjusted taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property)	\$ 309,282	
-	 This year's adjusted tax base (after subtracting value of new property) 	\$ 61,391,092	
	This year's effective tax rate	0.503789/\$100	
	Maximum rate unless unit publishes notices and holds year's rollback tax rate:	hearings.)	
	Last year's adjusted operating taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property and adjusting for any transferred function, tax increment financing, and/or enhanced indigent health care expenditures)	\$ 410,245	
	+ This year's adjusted tax base	\$ 61,391,092	
	= This year's effective operating rate	0.668248 /\$100	
	x 1.08 = this year's maximum operating rate	0.721707 /\$100	
	+ This year's debt rate	0.000000 /\$100	
	= This year's total rollback rate	0.721707 /\$100	

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Notice of Public Hearing on Tax Increase

The Hansford County will hold a public hearing on a proposal to increase total tax revenues from properties on the tax roll in the preceding tax year by 4.00 percent (percentage by which proposed tax rate exceeds lower of rollback tax rate or effective tax calculated under Chapter 26, Tax Code). Your individual taxes may increase at a greater or lesser rate, or even decrease, depending on the change in the taxable value of your property in relation to the change in taxable value of all other property and the tax rate that is adopted.

The public hearing will be held on August 27, 2007 at 10:00 AM and September 4, 2007 at 10:00 AM at Hansford County Law Library.

The members of the governing body voted on the proposal to consider the tax increase as follows: Joe T Venneman FOR:

Tim Stedje

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Danny Henson

In G "Butch" Reed

Benny Wilson

AGAINST: **PRESENT and not voting:** ABSENT:

Comparison of Proposed Budget with Last Year's Budget

The applicable percentage increase or decrease (or difference) in the amount budgeted in the preceding fiscal year and the amount budgeted for the fiscal year that begins during the current tax year is indicated for each of the following expenditure categories:

Maintenance	and operations	10.38% increase		
Debt service		0.00% increase		
Total expend	itures	10.38% increase	1000	
	Total Appraised Value and	Total Taxable Value		
	as calculated under section	on 26.04, Tax Code		
	Preceding Tax Year	Current Tax Year		
Total appraised value* of all property	\$761,722,667	\$642,040,775		
Total appraised value* of new property**	\$799,344	\$1,255,374		
Total taxable value*** of all property	\$638,452,681	\$621,414,394		
Total taxable value*** of new property**	\$583,521	\$849,101		
	Bonded Indeb	tedness		
	Total amount of outstanding and unp	aid bonded indebtedness \$0		
	Tax Rate	3		
Adopted tax rate for the preceding tax year			\$0.371918	per \$100 in value
Proposed tax rate for the current tax year			\$0.397800	per \$100 in value
Difference in the proposed tax rate and the adopted	I tax rate for the preceding tax year		\$0.025882	per \$100 in value
Percentage increase or decrease in the proposed ta	rate and the adopted tax rate for the pre	ceding tax year	6.96 %	Increase
	e figures are not adjusted for cha		property.	
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	Comparison of Residence	Homestead Values		

Average appraised and taxable values on residence homesteads are compared from the preceding tax year and the current tax year.

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Preceding T	'ax Year	Current	Tax Ye
	\$43.971	\$42,064	

Statement of Increase/Decrease

If City of Spearman adopts a 2007 tax rate equal to the effective tax rate of \$0.503789 per \$100 of value, taxes would increase compared to 2006 taxes by \$1,136.

Schedule A - Unencumbered Fund Balances

The following estimated balances will be left in the unit's property tax accounts at the end of the fiscal year. These balances are not encumbered by a corresponding debt obligation.

Type of Property Tax Fund

- Sales tax adjustment rate

= Rollback tax rate

Balance

Maintenance & Operations

\$673,700

0.163350/\$100

0.558357 /\$100

Schedule C - Expected Revenue from Additional Sales Tax

In calculating its effective and rollback tax rates, the unit estimated that it will receive \$100,963 in additional sales and use tax revenues.

This notice contains a summary of actual effective and rollback tax rates' calculations. You can inspect a copy of the full calculations at 709 W 7th Ave, Spearman Tx 79081. Name of person preparing this notice: Sonya Shieldknight Title: Chief Appraiser Date Prepared: August 9, 2007

\$11,794 \$11,412 Homestead exemption amount for the taxing unit (excluding special exemptions for persons 65 years of age or older or disabled) \$30,652 Average taxable value of a residence homestead \$32,177 (excluding special exemptions for persons 65 years of age or older or disabled)

Comparison of Residence Homestead Taxes

The taxes that would have been imposed in the preceding tax year on a residence homestead at the average appraised value (excluding special exemptions for persons 65 years of age or older or disabled) are estimated to be \$119.67. The taxes that would be imposed in the current tax year on a residence homestead appraised at the average appraised value in the current tax year (excluding special exemptions for persons 65 years of age or older or disabled), if the proposed tax rate is adopted, are estimated to be \$121.93. The difference between the amount of taxes on the average residence homestead in the current tax year, if the proposed tax rate is adopted, and the preceding tax year would be an increase of \$2.26 in taxes.

Criminal Justice Mandate

The Hansford County Auditor certifies that Hansford County has spent \$7,700 in the previous 12 months beginning July 31, 2006, for the maintenance and operations cost of keeping inmates sentenced to the Texas Department of Criminal Justice. Hansford County Sheriff has provided information on these costs, minus the state revenues received for reimbursement of such costs.

* "Appraised value" is the amount shown on the appraisal roll and defined by Section 1.04(8), Tax Code. ** "New property" is defined by Section 26.012(17), Tax Code. *** "Taxable value" is defined by Section 1.04(10), Tax Code.

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REAL ESTATE FOR SALE

FOR SALE Cottonwood Springs Ranch, Roberts County: 100 +/-acres with 3100 sq. ft. 2-story log home, oversized 2-car garage, 2 guest houses, ponds in front and back lawn, large multi-purpose barn w/steel cattle pens. Currently oper-ated as Bed & Breakfast and party facility, or would be nice residence. Call Cliff Scott & Company at 663-3575, ask for Cal Ferguson. 4(8-2-07)B FOR SALE - 904 Wilmeth, Spearman: 5,162 sq ft home with FIVE Bed, 3.5 Baths, Office, Exercise Rm, Bsmnt, CACH, & 3 Car Gar on 2 lots! It also has a lrg Utility Rm, Lrg Pantry, Granite Countertops, New Appliances, FP, and Tons of Storage.Call E-Properties, Shirley Howard-Broker/Owner, 806-886-6536. 4(8-16-07)B

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FOR RENT/LEASE

OFFICE SPACE FOR RENT. SPEARMAN: Pittman-Shieldknight building - all sizes available. Call 659-5588 or 659-3399 for more information.

TFN(01-27-05)B FOR RENT: 2BR apartment, \$375.00 per month, water paid. Call Larry O'Neal at 580-772-5617. TFN(7-06-06)B



TFN(5-24-06)B FOR RENT: 2BR, 1 B, large fenced yard, garage. \$425 deposit, \$425/month. Call 940-631-0894. TFN(7-5-06)B

EMPLOYMENT

HELP WANTED: Experienced automotive technician wanted. Good working environment, paid holidays, paid vacation and health insurance. Chrysler experience helpful. GM & Chrysler Dealership. Call 1-800-692-4657, ask for Mike. TFN(7-26-07)B

HELP WANTED: Hansford County Feedyard is looking to hire mature, dependable people for pen rider/cowboy and doctor positions. We would like to hire experienced people and we will consider experi-ence towards compensation. We are also willing to train people with the right attitude and work ethic. We also offer excellent benefits and a performance bonus opportunity. Contact Matt at 806-733-5025 or 806-736-0064.

3(8-09-07)B HELP WANTED: Now Hiring Multiple Positions at the Gruver Branch of Sunray Coop. Some will be temporary through fall harvest and some could lead to full time positions. Must be able to speak 2(8-16-07)B

CLASSIFIED ADS

Hwy 207 South, Spearman. TFN(7-26-07)B

VEHICLES

FOR SALE: 97 Ford Explorer XLT White/Tan, Loaded, Leather. Good Condition. \$4200 obo. 806-228-

TFN(7-26-07)B FOR SALE: 1998 Grand Marquis LS. Loaded, leather, auto, cruise, LS. Loaded, leatner, auto, cruise, tilt, PW/PL, power seats, coach roof, 65K - \$5995. Call 806-330-1220 or 659-3194. TFN(5-17-07)B FOR SALE: 2002 Chevy Pickup -4WD, 4-door, Crew Cab, electric windows/seats, shortbed, 135K miles. \$12,000 OBO. Call 659-3105 leave message

3105, leave message. TFN(8-2-07)B

MISC.

FOR SALE: Green sofa, over-sized chair w/Ottoman, Tables, Lamps, 3 Oak Bar Stools w/Backs. Call 659-3105, leave message. 2(8-16-07)B

LOST & FOUND

LOST: Red Terrior/Miniature Collie mix female dog. Black with tan



spots - one in shape of a heart; short tail, answers to Cheeky, found, please call 806-659-2661. 2(8-16-07)NC

GARAGE SALE

MOVING SALE: 1020 Evans, Spearman: Thurs., Aug. 16, 12 noon-6 p.m.; Fri., Aug. 17, 9 a.m.-6 p.m.; Sat., Aug. 18, 9 a.m.-12 noon. Furniture, tools, household items, clothes, scrubs, lots of misc. 1(8-16-07)B

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE TO CREDITORS Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of Reginald Robertson, Deceased, were issued on July 3, 2007, in Cause No. P02510, pending in the County Court of Hansford County, Texas, to: JoAnn Robertson. All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to pres-ent them to the undersigned within

ent them to the undersigned within the time and in the manner pre-

c/o: JoAnn Robertson 609 S Bernice Spearman TX 79081 DATED the 3rd day of July, 2007. Cecil R. Biggers



Spearman, TX 79081 LENDER Telephone 806-659-5565

Planning to buy a home, but not sure if you

Attorney for JoAnn Robertson State Bar No.: 02308500 PO Box 342 13 W Kenneth

Spearman TX 79081 Telephone; (806) 659-5531 Facsimile: (806) 659-5531 1(8-16-07)B

IN THE COUNTY COURT

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HANSFORD COUNTY, TEXAS NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of Cleta C. Casdorph, Deceased, were issued on July 13, 2007, in Cause No. P02508, pending in the

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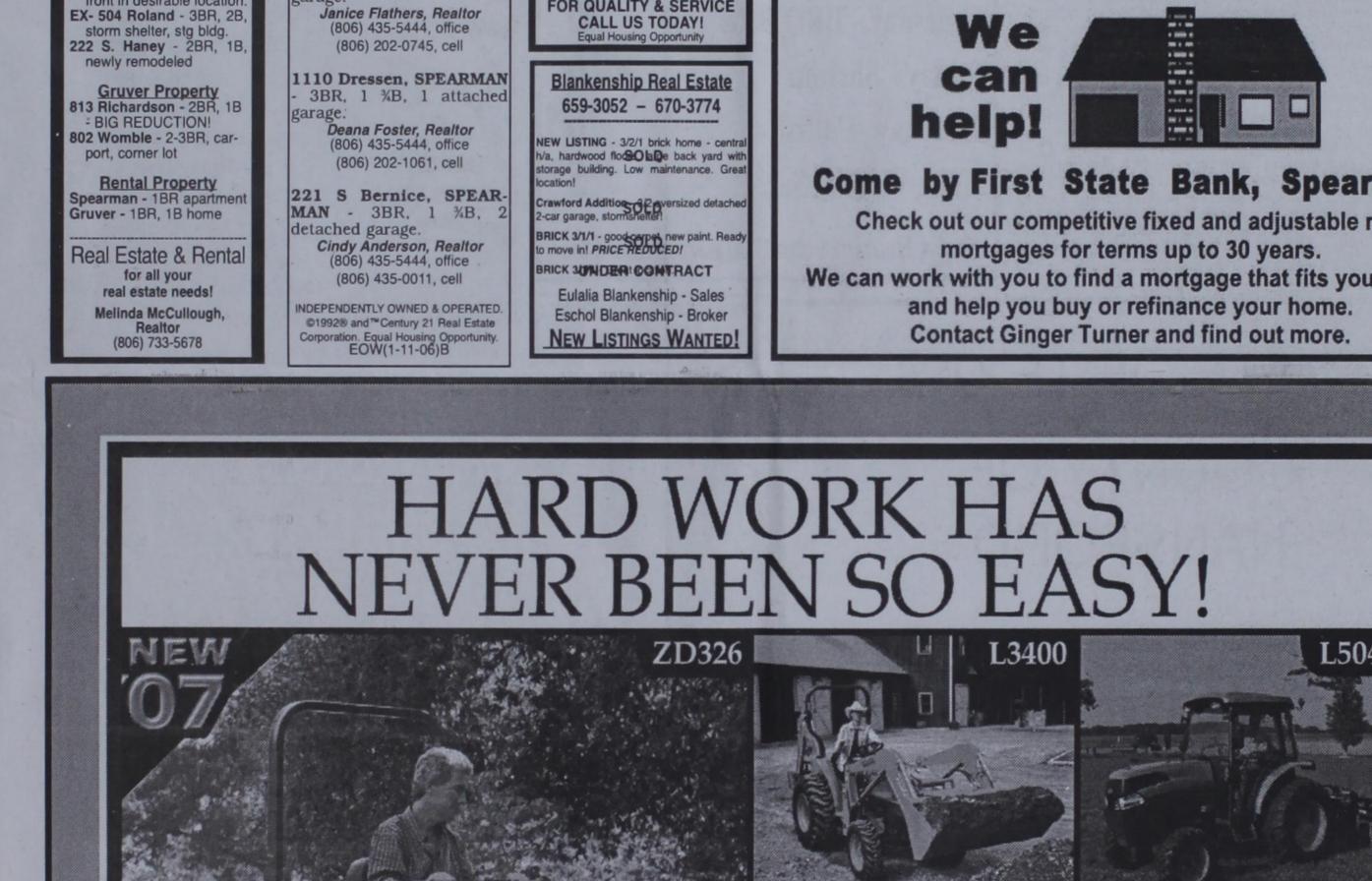
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Interest too high on your present mortgage?



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County Court of Hansford County, Texas, to: Rex Casdorph. All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them to the undersigned within the time and in the manner prescribed by law. c/o: Rex Casdorph c/o: Rex Casdorph PO Box 772 Gruver TX 79040 DATED the 13th day of July, 2007. David T. Scott Attorney for Rex Casdorph State Bar No.: 17894525 PO Box 88 315 S Main Perryton TX 79070 Telephone; (806) 435-6121 Facsimile: (806) 435-9731 1(8-16-07)B

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Neoma and Willie Wilkerson Celebrate 60th Wedding Anniversary

The children of Willie and Neoma Wilkerson honored their parents with a 60th Anniversary party and an 80th birthday party for their mom on July 14, 2007. The couple was married on Neoma's birthday on July 17, 1947, in Henryetta, Oklahoma. They lived in Dewar, Oklahoma before moving to Spearman, Texas in 1957. They have called Spearman their home for the past 50 years. Willie worked and retired from Daco Lease and Well Service, and Neoma was a homemaker.

The children and spouses of the couple are sons: Roddy and Stephanie Woodson of Sachse, Texas; Roy and Melinda Woodson of Lewisville, Texas; William and Boots Wilkerson of Flint, Texas; Ronald and Doreen Wilkerson of Allegan, Michigan; W.L. and Diane Dowdy of Grants Pass, Oregon; Anthony and Linda Wilkerson and Marvin and Anne Wilkerson of Spearman, Texas; and daughter Darlene and John Taft of Raton, New Mexico. The couple has 17 grandchildren and 18 great-grandchildren.

The backyard party was hosted by their children at the home of Anthony and Linda Wilkerson. A Friday night get together was also held at the home of Marvin and Anne Wilkerson. Several relatives traveled to join in this celebration. A very special picture of the old home place was painted by a family friend and presented to the couple by their son Roddy. Their daughter Darlene also wrote, read, and gave to them a very meaningful poem about their life as they grew up all those years ago in Oklahoma and later in Texas. A scrapbook of memories and cards from family and friends was also presented to the couple as a reminder of how special they are to so many people. Everyone enjoyed visiting and sharing old memories of days gone by. Willie and Neoma, along with their children, would like to extend a special thank you to all of the family and friends who sent cards, memories and made the trip to Spearman to help celebrate these two great milestones. Your efforts helped to make this a very special celebration for everyone.



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Lake Level--August 13, 2007--24.22 feet (-0.18)

Happenings at the Lake included a youth group from the Gruver Methodist Church camping Friday night, a nice crowd out to Pokey the Clown's Jr. Ranch Rodeo on Saturday night, and plans for the Spearman elementary teachers to have a get-acquainted party this Monday evening.

There were 5 RV campers behind the dam.

Some of the readers will remember Mackie and Joe Woods who lived in Gruver some years ago when Joe ran the lumber yard. Now they live in Panhandle. Mackie is a grandmother who brings her grandchildren to spend time at the Lake. On her third trip this summer, she brought 4 grandchildren. In the heat of the day they play games in the airconditioned pop-up camper. When it cools, they fish and play outside.

Jim said that he and Mandy had a hummingbird visit the flowers in their front yard last week. Also, Mandy witnessed an unusual event while watching her Mama Cat introduce her five little kittens to the outside world: A buzzard swooped down to snatch one, but the heroic cat jumped in the air at the bird and scared it away.

TEXAS HORNED LIZARD

This rare picture of a Texas horned lizard was taken by Frank Edwards. I owe Frank an apology as his excellent picture of the raccoon that we used 2 weeks ago was attributed to Frank Miller. I made the mistake and I regret the error.



I have never gotten to see a "horny toad" in this posture of being up on its four legs. Usually they stay very flat on the ground. The experts say that by staying flat they will not cast a shadow to attract a hawk. Notice the white stripe down the lizard's back. That, too, is part of its camouflage. When all of their defensive tricks fail, horned lizards get up high on their legs to look bigger. Then they lower their heads in the manner of a little fighting bull and hop at their predator. They have been known to bite the boots of human tormentors.

If one of these little creatures is picked up and stroked between the eyes or turned over and given a belly rub, it will go immobile. I'm not sure how this helps in their survival, but most youngsters really enjoy putting a horny toad to sleep.





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STATE OF TEXAS COUNTY OF HANSFORD

BUDGET HEARING

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of Hansford County Hospital District have caused to be prepared an annual budget for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2007, and ending September 30, 2008, Notice is hereby given that a public hearing on said proposed budget will be held on Thursday, August 30, 2007, at 6:00 p.m. in the Business

Office Conference Room of Hansford Hospital, 707 Roland, Spearman, Hansford County, Texas.

Ginger Pittman President / Board of Directors

