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## Crisis Center Marks Sexual Assault Awareness Month

The Texas Association Against Sexual Assault (TAASA) is sponsoring the Twentieth Annual Sexual Assault Awareness Month, April 2003. The theme of this year's observance is "Texas: A No Rape State." The focus will be on the potential strength of unified communities working together to fight the sexual violence that plagues our great state.

During this month, sexual assault programs across the state have intensified their efforts to promote public awareness of sexual assault issues, including the need for citizen involvement in reducing sexual assault (by confronting rape-supportive attitudes rather than relying entirely on the criminal justice system), and the need to increase community support for agencies providing sexual assault crisis and educational services.

Panhandle Crisis Center is always available to provide educational programs to schools, civic groups and churches about issues of sexual or domestic violence. For more information, contact the Crisis Center at (806) 435-5008.

## Watch For War-Related Scams

Texas Attorney General Greg Abbott issued a warning urging consumers to be wary of scam artists posing as representatives of charities seeking donations for military families or others inclined to help during the war effort in Iraq.

"Just as the climate following the 9/11 disasters spawned a mood of charitable giving among people in all walks of life, here too we have a situation that stirs deep sympathies and a sense of patriotism," Attorney General Abbott said. "Con artists know this and will take every opportunity to exploit military families and others for personal gain."

In addition to bogus charities, Abbott warns consumers to be alert to a number of ploys that play off current global affairs and target military families. These include risky or bogus oil investment schemes, work-at-home plans that entice stay-at-home military spouses, credit card or mortgage deals, and phony life insurance plans that are designed to appeal to military couples with children.

Telephone and e-mail scams asking for money to help war and political refugees reach asylum are also on the increase. Add to that Internet retailers that claim to be affiliated with the Red Cross or other organizations. One web retailer selling T-shirts promoting American's victory over Iraq purported to donate a portion of its proceeds to the Red Cross. Red Cross officials told the Attorney General's Office its organization had no affiliation or business relationship with the retailer. The business has since stopped making those claims.

Abbott urges those who get such offers to take the time to fully evaluate a source's credibility by asking for background information, references, phone numbers, addresses and other information that would help in making a decision.

Regarding charities, when an individual knocks on the door or calls asking for a charitable donation to help in war-related efforts, take the time to ask a few questions before offering money. Here are a few tips:

- \* Verify the organization he or she represents by asking for credentials, including exact name, and phone number of the organization, particularly if the charity is unfamiliar.
- \* Call the charity and confirm that the solicitor is connected to it.

- \* Be alert to questionable charities using names that closely resemble those of well-known charities.
- \* Find out the planned uses for the money you give; will proceeds directly benefit those in need?

- \* Be wary of appeals that are long on emotion and short on descriptions about providing help to those in need.
- \* A legitimate charity welcomes background checks on their operations. Don't succumb to high-pressure tactics and demands for an immediate decision.
- \* Never give a credit card number to a telephone solicitor.
- \* Never give cash and never agree to give money to a courier. Write a check in the name of the charity, not the individual doing the asking, and get a receipt.

## Cop Follows A Different "Beat" In Kosovo Mission

With ears lopped off and his nose sliced, Qeni, a dog adopted by the United Nations Mission In Kosovo (UNMIK) civilian police, is not like any other dog you've ever seen.

But then the border crossing between Kosovo, Yugoslavia and Albania is not like any place, Larry Kenealy, former Spearman Chief of Police, had ever seen either.

Qeni, which means "the dog" in Albanian, is visible evidence that the land in which Kenealy serves is a land far remote in miles and culture to that he knew in Spearman.



Larry Kenealy is pictured above with Qeni at the Kosovo border.

Cutting off the ears of dogs and slicing their noses is a means the inhabitants of this distant country use to make dogs more aggressive.

However, the investment of a few wieners and a little patience by Kenealy and other officers at the border checkpoint, eventually proved this theory fallible.

Qeni soon became a friend of the police and often stands between them and anyone who approaches.

As the Chief of Operations of a civilian police force of the United Nations, Kenealy is on his second tour of duty Kosovo/Yugoslavia.

Learning over the internet of the United Nations' need for police officers in Kosovo through an agency known as DynCorp, Kenealy became interested in the prospect of serving.

"He thought it was something he could do that would really make a difference," Kenealy's wife Caroline said. "It is a place where he felt he could be of most benefit since the area is the major transport from the Golden Triangle of drugs and white slavery."

With that intention in mind, Kenealy began his first tour of duty with the civilian police force in July of 1999.

That tour of duty was followed by a second beginning in October 2002 and will continue until October of this year.

If Kenealy was looking for a challenge, he succeeded. He found electricity and water were both in short supply. With no housing provided, members of the recruited police force were on their own in finding living quarters.

"Larry and another member of the force found housing in the

lower level of an apartment owned by an older lady. Since the two officers worked different shifts, the apartment owner had her own police protection around the clock," Caroline said.

Not only has Kenealy found himself in a new land with new customs, he also worked daily with fellow officers from Germany, Russia, Pakistan, England, Turkey, France and Africa, whose first language is not English.

It has become Kenealy's daily way of boosting morale to print a joke of the day. Then he watches the reaction of the officers as they read.

"They will read it first, then laugh, then pull out their translators, think a moment, and then really laugh," Kenealy said.

The jokes are only a temporary respite from the vigilance the officers must keep.

During the "Iraqi Freedom" war, border agents have been on heightened alert. April 16th was a day of very intense alert as hordes of Albanians were expected to cross the border in commemoration of the date the Serbs drove them from the area with only what they could carry.

It was with great relief that the border was not flooded with the 50,000 that were expected.

Being separated by thousands of miles from his family is another part of Kenealy's job. It is a fact of life that Caroline and the Kenealy's daughter Kathleen, an eighth grader, have grown accustomed.

The Kenealys keep in touch by phone and the internet, but even those means are often un dependable.

But the Kenealys situation may not be unique as a civilian police force of over 1,500 officers is now being requested for Iraq. This is the third request for civilian police officers, the first being in Bosnia, and the second in Kosovo.

With his second mission past the halfway mark, Kenealy has expressed the desire to extend his mission by another year. After that, he has considered returning to work on his Masters degree and teaching, but that is only one possibility.

"Larry is a cop and is dedicated to law enforcement," Caroline said. "I can't imagine him being happy in any other field."

*Editor's Note: We would like to thank our correspondent Helen Fisher for bringing this story to our attention and collecting much of the information used in its writing.*

## Guess Who's Going To Dinner? Deakin To Dine With President

by Harletta Carthel

What Chris Deakin thought was spam on the Internet instead proved to be more like caviar at the White House.

"I thought it was just a joke at first. Just some of the stuff you see in your e-mail all the time," Chris Deakin said of an e-mail he received that claimed to be from U.S. Representative Tom DeLay.

That may have been why Deakin did not open the e-mail until nearly three weeks later.

When Deakin did read the message, he discovered that he was to receive a leadership award.

"I really thought it was some kind of 'award' where they try to sell you a book with your name in it," Deakin said.

But Deakin was surprised to find a certificate announcing his appointment to the Business Advisory Council of the National Republican Congressional Committee and a special invitation.

The invitation was to the 2003 President's Dinner and National Republican's Business Advisory Council's annual board meeting.

"Yes, we're going to attend," Deakin said. "The dinner will be a black tie affair, but I not sure what to wear to the other meeting."

Tuesday, May 20, and Wednesday, May 21, will be busy days for the Deakins as they will register and have live on-camera interviews on Tuesday, followed by a VIP Board Meeting Reception with Republican members of Congress.

Wednesday will begin with a breakfast with special speaker, former Speaker of the House Newt Gingrich.

During the ensuing business meeting, the group will discuss financial markets outlook, health care reform, the Presidents tax cut and economic stimulus, and IRS reform.

Deakin is hoping that tort reform, unfair working for contracts that favor unions, and the limiting of frivolous lawsuits will also be discussed.

A noon Honorary Chairman's Luncheon with special guests NRCC Chairman Tom Reynolds and Congresswoman Katherine Harris of Florida will precede the President's Dinner and Reception that evening.

The co-owner of Deakin Electric in Spearman, Deakin states that he business normally employs six people, but has had up to fifteen employees during busy periods.

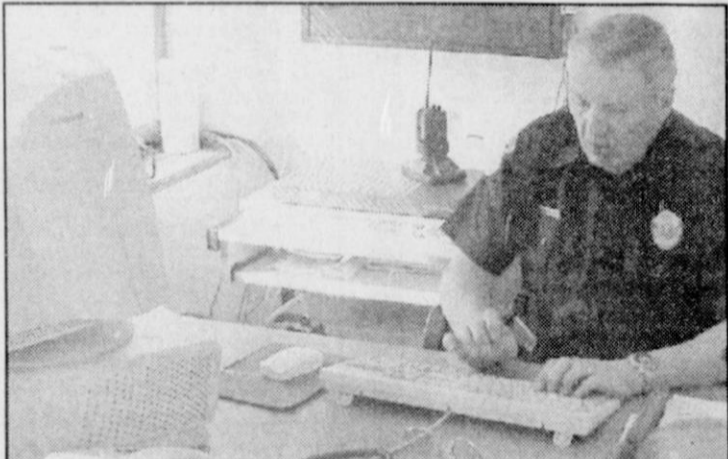
Deakin is also on the board of the Independent Electrical Contractors (IES) which is currently trying to obtain electrical licensing through the state.

By coincidence, the IES board will be convening at the Grand Hyatt Hotel just prior to the NRCC's annual board meeting, enabling Deakin to attend both meetings.

Of course, the highlight of the visit will be the dinner honoring the President and First Lady Laura Bush.

Being a strong supporter of President Bush, Deakin believes the President is doing a good job.

"I definitely support him on his Christian stance. I also think he's right on the mark on his business agenda. I support him and what he's done," Deakin said.



Larry Kenealy corresponds with his family through e-mail as often as possible, however internet access and reliability are often un dependable.

## Heart Association Banquet Slated

"Memories of the Heart" will be the theme of the 2003 Hansford County Heart Association Banquet. The banquet is slated for Saturday, April 26 in the O'Loughlin Center. Activities for the evening include a silent auction, which

begins at 6:15 p.m. A meal of tossed salad, tenderloin, baked potato, steamed vegetables, rolls and cheesecake will be served at 7 p.m. It is being prepared by The Williams Family, and will be served by a host of local celebrities.

A tribute to Carl and Peggy Archer, honorees, will be given at 8 p.m., for the life-saving contribution they have given to the American Heart Association, as well as to the community.

The live auction will begin at 8:15, with an assortment of memorable items including memorabilia from Emmitt Smith, Roger Staubach, and Mike Hargrove.

Tickets for the event may be purchased for \$25 each from any Hansford County Heart Association member or by calling Kay Hobbs, 733-2876, or Darlene Pierce, 659-2673. Sponsorships are also available.

Members of the 2003 American Heart Association, Hansford Division, Board of Directors are Kay Hobbs (President), Pat Bratton, Sharron Swan, Penny Ralston, Amy Babbs, Missie Bates, Carolyn Cummings, Darlene Pierce, Margaret Ralston, Anita Sumner and Anna Beth Wood.

## Reporter-Statesman Wins Press Awards

The Hansford County Reporter Statesman was cited for six awards at the Panhandle Press Association's annual meeting in Amarillo over the weekend.

The newspaper took two second place honors. Winning second place in Feature News Photos was Gary and Catherine Smith's picture capturing their granddaughter Reagan peering through a large soap bubble. The picture was entitled "The Bubble of my Eye."

Harletta Carthel won second place in Headline Writing. Submitted was the headline for a story on Gruver Principal Ann Moore's honor with the headline, "Giving Her Best And 'Moore,' Gruver Principal Named Best In Region;" the headline for a feature memorial on Bob Cluck, "Tipping Their Hats, County To Honor Cluck Legacy, Life With Rodeo Dedication;" and a headline for last year's Windmillers' Convention, "Catching The Wind, International Windmill Convention Pumps Spearman's Pride, Economy."

Carthel also received a third place plaque for Sports Writing in her coverage of GHS football games last season.

Cathy Smith garnered an honorable mention for her work in the Best Society/Lifestyles section.

Honorable mention awards went to Carthel in the News Writing category and in the Serious Columns divisions.

The 99 Cents columns by Carthel were "Where's the Beef?" a column concerning McDonald's use of Australian beef, "Too Comfortable," a column advocating the welcoming of newcomers, and "Hometown Heroes," a column touting the influence of high school athletes on community youth, were the submitted columns cited.



Mark Washburn, Gruver's new city secretary, files papers at his city hall office. A resident of Gruver since 1991, Washburn has been employed by the City of Gruver for eight years in the utilities department before being named to his new position.

## Elder Named Pastor of First Assembly of God Church



Kerri and Bob Elder

Bob Elder has been announced as the new pastor of the First Assembly of God Church in Spearman.

Pastor Elder is a graduate of Central Bible College with a degree in pastoral ministry. At Central Bible College, Elder served as youth pastor at Evangel Assembly of God Church in Carthage and later at Marionville Assembly of God. He was credentialed with the Assemblies of God in June of 2002.

Elder and his wife Kerri, who were married July 8, 2001, have worked with the Bridges for Youth ministry, an outreach to youth of two

poorer neighborhoods in Springfield. Pastor Elder also served as the manager of a second youth center that ministered to 30 youths daily.

Kerri Elder is a graduate of Dyersburg State Community College with an associates degree in elementary education. She hopes to continue her education this fall at Oklahoma Panhandle State University. She enjoys making crafts for other people and working with her hands.

Elder grew up in Fairbury, Nebraska while Kerri grew up in Eldon, Missouri so small town life is normal to them.

"We hope to make Spearman our home for years to come as God uses and directs our lives," Pastor Elder said. "We hope that the churches of Spearman will continue to grow and prosper in the coming months and years as the day approaches when the Lord shall return to take us home."

# Laugh and Live



by Catherine R. Smith  
CathyRSmit@aol.com

The following was sent to me from my dear friend, Sally. I felt it was appropriate following Easter Sunday.

## The Blood of Jesus

One night in a church service a young woman felt the tug of God at her heart. She responded to God's call and accepted Jesus as her Lord and Savior. The young woman had a very rough past, involving alcohol, drugs, and prostitution. But, the change in her was evident. As time went on she became a faithful member of the church. She eventually became involved in the ministry, teaching young children. It was not very long until this faithful young woman had caught the eye and heart of the pastor's son.

The relationship grew and they began to make wedding plans. This is when the problems began. You see, about one half of the church did not think that a woman with a past such as hers was suitable for a pastor's son.

The church began to argue and fight about the matter. So they decided to have a meeting.

As the people made their arguments and tensions increased, the meeting was getting completely out of hand. The young woman became very upset about all the things being brought up about her past. As she began to cry the pastor's

son stood to speak. He could not bear the pain it was causing his wife-to-be. He began to speak and his statement was this:

"My fiancée's past is not what is on trial here. What you are questioning is the ability of the blood of Jesus to wash away sin. Today you have put the blood of Jesus on trial. So, does it wash away sin or not?"

The whole church began to weep as they realized that they had been slandering the blood of the Lord Jesus Christ.

Too often, even as Christians, we bring up the past and use it as a weapon against our brothers and sisters. Forgiveness is a very foundational part of the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ. If the blood of Jesus does not cleanse the other person completely then it cannot cleanse us completely.

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 :)

## Thank You

The words "Thank You" seem so inadequate when we try to express our gratitude to each one of you who offered help and support during the last few months. We do thank you for the calls, visits, cards and gifts. We are extremely grateful to those who stayed during the night shift.

A special thanks goes to the EMT's and firemen who are truly experts in their jobs. You have our utmost respect.

But most of all, we thank you for your prayers. We give Jesus the glory for He is the great physician. Haylei is now home and doing great!

The Rodgers Family  
John, Haylei, Kaitlyn, Dennis & Linda

## PANHANDLE PLANNER

### Timeless Treasures To Meet

The Timeless Treasures will meet on April 26, 2003 at 10 a.m. at the Senior Citizens building at 515 NE 15th Street in Guymon. The morning program will be a turn show provided by the Boise City Guild. The afternoon class is on "Thangles," the no-math way to make half square triangles. Participants make a table runner that measures 14"x38". Participants need to bring a sewing machine and notions. Kits may be purchased from Marilea at Just a Stitchin' by calling 719-523-4985, and include everything else needed, except batting. Participants are also asked to bring a pot luck for lunch.

### Guymon's Spring OKAY Horse Show

Guymon's Spring OKAY Horse Show will be held Saturday, April 26th at the Hitch Pioneer Arena. Registration will begin at 8 a.m. and the show will start at 9 a.m. Events include halter, showmanship, hunter under saddle, hunt seat equitation, western pleasure, western horsemanship, western riding, reining and trail. A new event this season is ranch trail. A ride-a-buck event will be held after all the judging events. All-around and reserve all-around awards will be given in each of the following age groups: 9 and under, 10-13, 14-18, and 19 and over. Contestants do not have to be a member of the Okay Horse Show Association to show and receive prizes. For more information, call LeAnn Nickeson at 580-778-3616 in Turpin, or Rene Bagley at 580-338-0957 in Guymon.

### Community Concert Association of Liberal

The Community Concert Association of Liberal is nearing the end of their 2003-2004 Membership Campaign. Anyone interested in joining has until May 10th to sign up. Membership dues are \$45 for adults, \$25 for students, and \$95 for families (covers parents and children living at home). Concerts provide entertainment for everyone and range from Pop to Opera, Dance to Bluegrass, Porter to Gershwin. Concerts scheduled for 2003-2004 include "I Get A Kick Out of Cole," Sherry Overholt and Lee Velta, Wood's Tea Company, Singin in the Rain, and Manhattan Rhythm Kings. Contact Janie Kunselman at 659-2631 to join, or for more information.

### Borger Tri-City Community Concert Association

The Borger Tri-City Community Concert Association invites anyone interested in joining to call now. Membership dues are \$25 for adults, \$10 for students, and \$50 for families (covers parents and children living at home). Concerts scheduled for 2003-2004 include Richard Smith and Julie Adams, Pastures of Plenty: Wood Guthrie in Dance and Music, Frank Vignola & The Hot Club USA and Cantus. Contact Janie Kunselman at 659-2631 to join, or for more information.

### Amarillo Rotary Club's Shrimp & Catfish Roundup

The Rotary Club of Amarillo has slated the 10th Annual Shrimp and Catfish Roundup for May 10th at the Rex Baxter Building on the Tri-State Fairgrounds in Amarillo. Activities will begin at 5:30 p.m. The cost of the all-you-can-eat dinner is \$50, and includes a chance to win a car. Money raised will go to High Plains Children's Home of Amarillo, Students Off the Streets, Amarillo Opera, Golden Spread Council of the Boy Scouts, Life Challenge, and the YMCA Rotary Park.

### Prairie Rivers Musical

The Prairie Rivers Musical is featured on the 3rd Saturday of each month at Canadian Middle School. There is no admission charge. For more information, call (806) 323-6213.

### Guymon Pioneer Days

The fun of Pioneer Days will begin on April 26th with a golf tournament, Ty England concert with Clear Creek at the Texas County Activity Center, and a Kiwanis pancake brunch. The Rodeo Slack will begin on April 29th, as well as cowboy poets entertainment at the Guymon Community Theater. The Pride of Texas carnival opens on the 30th. The first performance of the PRCA Pioneer Day Rodeo will be held on May 1st at 7:30 p.m. A 5K run will be held on May 3rd, in addition to the free sunrise breakfast at the fairgrounds and the Pioneer Mercantile arts and crafts show at the Activity Center. Other events on the 3rd include the parade, two rodeo performances, an antique tractor pull, a Pioneer Day Tennis Tournament, and the Pioneer Day Five State Poker Run. Cowboy church will be held at 10 a.m. on Sunday, with the final rodeo performance beginning at 2:30 p.m. If you have any questions about Pioneer Day activities, please call the Guymon Chamber of Commerce at 580-338-3376.

## Sacred Heart Mexican Dinner

Mon., April 28, 11 a.m.-2 p.m.  
Sacred Heart Parish Hall

3 enchiladas, rice, beans & salad  
Adults - \$6.50, children 5-12 - \$3.50,  
children 4 and under eat free.

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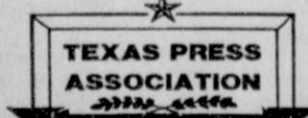
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### Advertising

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## HANSFORD HAPPENINGS

### Beware of FAFSA Web Scam

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

### Medical Fund for Maria Avila Family

A medical fund has been established at First State Bank for the family of Maria Avila.

### Lunch & Learn

"Xtreme Gardening" will be the topic for Lunch & Learn on Thursday, May 1st from 12-1 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall of Spearman Church of Christ. Angie Hanna, Xtreme Gardening Chairman of Potter/Randall County Master Gardeners, will present the program. Participants will learn "Gardening techniques to implement and plants to successfully landscape with to create low water-use, low maintenance, ecologically friendly, and beautiful gardens in the Texas Panhandle's extreme conditions." This free program is sponsored by the Texas Cooperative Extension Service. Donations for lunch will be accepted. Call Peggy Winegarner at 659-4131 or 733-2901 for more information.

### Hansford Golf Club Hosts Tuesday Night Scramble Kickoff Tournament

The Hansford Golf Club will hold a Tuesday Night Scramble Kickoff Tournament on Saturday, April 26th, beginning at 1:30 p.m. This will be an 18-hole scramble with teams to be decided on Saturday, depending on the number of entrants and skill level. Regular Tuesday night scrambles will begin next week on April 29th and will start at 6 p.m. each Tuesday. Entry fee for Saturday's scramble is \$25 per person. Contact Ross Donahue, Curtis Covington or Sheri Benton for more information.

### "Memories of the Heart" Gala

"Memories of the Heart" will be the theme of the 2003 Hansford County Heart Association Banquet. The banquet slated for Saturday, April 26, at 6:15 p.m. in the O'Loughlin Center. An auction with a variety of items, large and small, including items from celebrities as Emmitt Smith, Roger Staubach, and Mike Hargrove will follow the banquet. Tickets for the event may be purchased from any Hansford County Heart Association member or by calling Kay Hobbs, 733-2876, or Darlene Pierce, 659-2673.

### Breast Cancer Screening Clinic

The Women's Center of the Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer Center in conjunction with Hansford County Hospital will conduct a Breast Cancer Screening Clinic at 712 S. Roland, in Spearman on April 28, 2003. Participants will receive a low-cost screening mammogram. Each woman screened will receive a breast health risk appraisal and individual instruction by a registered nurse in breast self-examination. Funding is available through the Texas Department of Health for Texas residents who qualify for assistance. All examinations are done by appointment only. Call (806)-356-1905 or toll free 1-800-377-4673 for more information.

### Ribbon Cutting Ceremony

A ribbon cutting ceremony will be held at the Palo Duro Cafe at 12 noon on Wednesday, April 30th. This ceremony is in honor of the new ownership of the cafe.

### Project Graduation

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

### Golden Spread Senior Citizens To Make Memorial Wreaths

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

### Special Education Notice - Destruction of Records

Perryton Special Education SSA will destroy all student special education records for Spearman, Perryton, Darrouzett, Booker and Follett ISDs for the years 1990-1994 in June, 2003. If you have need of such records, please contact Marsha Murphy, 435-4412.

### Spearman ISD Seeking Students With Special Needs

Spearman ISD is trying to locate children who are currently enrolled in home school and/or private school who may need special education services to enable them to progress in their education. Students who meet eligibility criteria for special education services may be able to access some of these services through the public school. If you feel your child is in need of or you know of a child in need of such services, please contact the superintendent of schools, Rod Sumner, or Marsha Murphy, director of special education services, at 659-3233.

### 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 to attend.

### Boy Scout Fundraiser

Harry Stumpf, financial chairman of the Spearman Boy Scouts, began the annual Boy Scout Fundraising Project on Monday, March 3, 2003. Donations may be mailed to: Boy Scouts, 301 W. 12th, Spearman, TX 79081.

## "Rock Around the Clock"

Presented by  
Women's Division Spearman  
Chamber of Commerce

Miss Hansford Scholarship Pageant  
June 3, 2003 at 7:00p.m.  
Spearman High School Auditorium

Age Divisions:  
Little Miss (4-6) Junior Miss (7-9)  
Miss Preteen (10-12) Miss Teen (13-16)  
Miss Hansford (17-21)

Entry forms available at Spearman Chamber of Commerce Office, Lady Fair, Kids' Stuff, Dreamer's Salon, and in Gruver Main Street and Little Tiffanie.

Deadline for entries is MAY 2, 2003. Questions contact Jodie Hight 659-3720 or the Spearman Chamber of Commerce at 659-5555.



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*Our Deepest Sympathy*

**MARIA ANTONIA AVILA**

SPEARMAN - Maria Antonia Avila, 65, died Tuesday, April 22, 2003.

Rosary was on Wednesday, April 23, 2003 at 7 p.m. with vigil on Thursday, April 24th at 7 p.m. Funeral services will be held on Friday, April 25th at 2 p.m. at the Sacred Heart Catholic Church.

Maria was born to Antonio and Maria Peralta in Nuevo Laredo, Mexico on May 26, 1937. She moved to Spearman in 1965 with her husband, Juan Avila, and their three children.

She was a loyal and devoted employee at Hansford County Hospital for 25 years.

Maria's lifelong journey led her through a full life of service. She

volunteered her life to several organizations, including Hansford County Hospital Guild, Sacred Heart Women's Guild, Guadalupanas, Hansford County Hospital Auxiliary, and the Campus Site-Based Committee at Spearman Elementary. She was a member of the Sacred Heart Catholic Church.

She was instrumental in organizing many fundraisers for the community of Spearman and co-produced the Spanish program on KRDF-FM with her husband, Juan. Through the Spanish program, she touched the lives of listeners in Spearman, Gruver, Perryton and other surrounding communities. For 32 years, listeners and their children enjoyed holidays as she held an annual Christmas party for the children, as well as celebrations for Easter and Cinco de Mayo. She would shower the children with gifts, food and lots of treats and love.

Maria was the recipient of many awards, including Employee of the Month and Employee of the Year at Hansford County Hospital, Spearman Chamber of Commerce Mother of the Year and numerous awards for her service at KRDF-FM.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Antonio and Maria Peralta.

Survivors include her husband of 41 years, Jose Juan Avila; two sons, Jose Juan Avila, Jr. and wife, Carmen, and Marco Antonio Avila and wife, Patricia, all of Amarillo; a daughter, Sara Avila and Justin Harland of Spearman; and six grandchildren, Rossilyn and Roy John Bulls of Spearman and Beth and John Mark Avila and Ian and Ethan Avila, all of Amarillo. She is also survived by her step-father, Pedro Mendoza; two brothers, Pedro Mendoza Jr. and wife, Lisa, of Irving and Jimmy Peralta and wife, Raquel, of Laredo; two sisters, Dennis Rojas and husband, Oscar of Spearman and Olivia Salinas and husband, Eleazar, of Carrizo Springs; ten nieces; seven nephews; sixteen great-nieces and nephews; and numerous godchildren.

The family suggests memorials be to the Maria Avila Scholarship Fund, in care of First State Bank of Spearman.

*Thank You*

Dear Community,

We would like to thank you for supporting our Lowe's Receipt Project at SJH. Because of you, the Jr. High was able to earn prizes for our school. We earned the following prizes: two digital cameras, a karaoke machine, and a colored printer. We thank you for all of your help and support!!

Sincerely, The Elite Receipt Collectors

**JAMES "JIM" WILBURN FOX, JR.**

James "Jim" Wilburn Fox Jr., 69, of Amarillo died Monday, April 21, 2003.

Services were at 10 a.m. Wednesday, April 23, 2003 in Schooler Funeral Home, Brentwood Chapel, 4100 S. Georgia St. Graveside services were at 12:30 p.m. Wednesday in Hansford County Cemetery of Spearman.

Mr. Fox was born in Hansford County. He graduated from Gruver High School and attended Texas Tech University where he was a member of Pi Kappa Alpha social fraternity.

He served in the Army during the Korean conflict. He married Beth Pemberton in Lubbock on Jan. 6, 1956. He was a farmer/rancher for the majority of his life. He was also in the elevator business in Spearman and Gruver. He was a member of First Baptist Church in Gruver.

Survivors include his wife; a daughter, Shari Sanchez and husband, Adam, of Amarillo; a son, Mark Fox and wife, Eileen, of Amarillo; and a sister, Ruth Meador and husband, Dr. Hal Meador, of San Antonio.

The family suggests memorials be to Meals on Wheels, 219 W. Seventh Ave., Amarillo, TX 79101; or to BSA Hospice, P.O. Box 850, Amarillo, TX 79176.

*Thank You*

We wish to express our gratitude to the Hansford Manor Staff, the Doctors, Hospital staff, Hospice workers, friends, and volunteers who continued to visit and encourage our loved one, Beulah Ben Bort, during the last years of her life. This helped to bring comfort and pleasure to her and to us, her children,

Thank you,  
Barbara and Del Cluck and family; Peggy Jones and family

**SISD Prekindergarten & Kindergarten Screening**

Spearman Elementary School is now accepting applications for the 2003-2004 school year. We would like to invite all parents with children who will be 4 years of age on or before September 1, to come by the elementary school office at 511 S. Townsend, through April 30 between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. to complete registration information. Office staff will be available to answer any questions. You will need to bring the following items for registration:

1. Your child's social security card
2. Your child's birth certificate
3. Your child's updated immunization record
4. Proof of income such as a pay check stub or income tax record

For more information please contact the elementary school office at 659-2565.

La Escuela Elementaria de Spearman esta aceptando Aplicaciones para el ario escolar 2003-2004. Queremos invitar todos los padres de los ninios/as que tienen o van a cumplir 4 arias en o antes del dia primero de Septiembre, que vengan a la oficina de la escuela elementaria en la calle 511 S. Townsend del 1 de abril hasta el 30 de abril durante las horas de 8:30 a.m. a las 3:30 p.m. para completar una informacion de registracion. Nuestras trabajadoras de la escuela van a estar ahi en la oficina para contestarles cualquier pregunta que usted tenga. Usted necesita traer los siguientes documentos para registrarlos/as.

1. El seguro social de su hijo/a
2. La acta de nacimiento
3. La tarjeta de vacunas
4. Un talon de cheque

Para mas informacion par favor de llamar a la oficina de la escuela elementaria al 659-2565.

*Happy 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.

Jessica Mayo, Janet Morales, Brad Renick, Jimmy Morley, Kyle Sumner

**Anniversary** - Mr. & Mrs. Roy Riley, James & Linda Owens, Mr. & Mrs. Bill Gaitner, Robbie & Valerie Shield

**April 29**

**Birthday** - Jill Garrett, Clay Hobbs, Betty Roberts, Estelle Jackson, Britton Bengel, Burton Williams, Robbie Shields, Christine Harnish, Dora Alvarez, Greg Odogaard, Ila Willis, Randi Atwood, John Haynes, Madison McLain, Bailey Stedje

**April 30**

**Birthday** - Golda Mae Dunning, Debra Cook, Shawn Martin, M.A. Brand, Robert Cantu, Cora Lee Jarvis, Hector Hermosillo, James E. Johnson, Zachery Renteria

**Anniversary** - Mr. & Mrs. Kyle Irwin

**May 1**

**Birthday** - Josie Kiser, Cori Lowe, Marti Garnett, Jarett Swan, April Jarvis, Gina Hamilton, Earl Spencer, James Sterling, Floydean Shook, Ryon Atwood, Christine States, Angela Coombs, Devin Delozier, Victoria Renteria, Allan Thompson, Steffany Simon, Aaron Weller, Dani Wheelock

**Anniversary** - Mr. & Mrs. Bobby Don Smith, Ronnie & Coleen Schaefer

**May 2**

**Birthday** - Michael Booth, Hack Johnson, Whitney Lilley, Chad Logsdon, Marsha Shaver, Carolyn Gressett, Melodie Kelp, Bryan Jenkins, Dalene Baker, Nick Renteria, Rex Shook, Lynn Davis, Keith Gibson, Connie Pape, Annie Torres

**Anniversary** - Mr. & Mrs. Jose Vaquera

**May 3**

**Birthday** - Gilbert Perez, Jon Tolleson, Patty Sheppard, Cruz Garcia, Rita Reed, Kendra Ivy, Linda Deluna, Derek George, Jason Harnish, April LaFarr, Michael Sparkman, Jewel Thomas, Hailey Young

**Anniversary** - Ric & Sandee Smith

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Wed. Prayer Mtg.: 7 p.m.  
Pastor - Roland Haney

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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: 7 p.m.  
Wed. Worship: 7:30 p.m.  
Youth: 7:30 Wednesday  
Pastor - Walter Greaser, Jr.

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

**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 Mtg.: 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.  
KRDF Radio Program  
Living W/Christ: 7:50 a.m.  
Minister - Leonard Harper

**Sacred Heart Catholic Church**

901 Roland · 659-2792  
Sat. Night Mass: 5:30 p.m.  
Sun. Mass: 9 a.m. - English  
(aired on KRDF-FM 98.3)  
Sun. Mass: 11:30 - Spanish  
1:30 p.m. - Gruver - Christo  
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Rev. Guillermo Morales

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

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

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

**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

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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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Culto Evangelistico - 7 p.m.  
Jueves Oracion - 8 p.m.  
Mier. Estudio Biblico - 7 p.m.  
Pastor - A.G. Martell  
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**Gruver**

**First Baptist Church**  
402 E. Broadway · 733-2411  
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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**  
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 Gurnory

**Oslo Lutheran Church (ELCA)**

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**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

**Spanish Cristo Redentor Church**

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

**Waka**

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The Reporter-Statesman is pleased to offer for your reading enjoyment, "Saw it On the Net (Must Be True)", a syndicated column by Jake Tripp.  
Mr. Trip is a native North Carolinian and has been writing for over 40 years. The opinions of Mr. Tripp are entirely his own and do not reflect the opinions of the publisher of this newspaper.  
Catherine Smith, Publisher

## Saw it On the Net (Must Be True)

You can find all these writings on the internet -  
(but only if you have a computer)  
by Jake Tripp

The statistics on sanity are that one out of every four Americans is suffering from some form of mental illness. Think of your three best friends. If they're okay, then it's you.

Rita Mae Brown

### ENLIGHTENED PERSPECTIVE

If you will take the time to read these, I promise you'll come away with an enlightened perspective. The subjects covered affect us all on a daily basis!

They're written by Andy Rooney, a man who has the gift of saying so much with so few words. Enjoy.....

I've learned.... That the best classroom in the world is at the feet of an elderly person.

I've learned.... That when you're in love, it shows.

I've learned.... That just one person saying to me, "You've made my day!" makes my day.

I've learned.... That having a child fall asleep in your arms is one of the most peaceful feelings in the world.

I've learned.... That being kind is more important than being right.

I've learned.... That you should never say no to a gift from a child.

I've learned.... That I can always pray for someone when I don't have the strength to help him in some other way.

I've learned.... That no matter how serious your life requires you to be, everyone needs a friend to act goofy with.

I've learned.... That sometimes all a person needs is a hand to hold and a heart to understand.

I've learned.... That simple walks with my father around the block on summer nights when I was a child did wonders for me as an adult.

I've learned.... That life is like a roll of toilet paper. The closer it gets to the end, the faster it goes.

I've learned.... That we should be glad God doesn't give us everything we ask for.

I've learned.... That money doesn't buy class.

I've learned.... That it's those small daily happenings that make life so spectacular.

I've learned.... That under everyone's hard shell is someone who wants to be appreciated and loved.

I've learned.... That the Lord didn't do it all in one day. What makes me think I can?

I've learned.... That to ignore the facts does not change the facts.

I've learned.... That when you plan to get even with someone, you are only letting that person continue to hurt you.

I've learned.... That love, not time, heals all wounds.

I've learned.... That the easiest way for me to grow as a person is to surround myself with people smarter than I am.

I've learned.... That everyone you meet deserves to be greeted with a smile.

I've learned.... That there's nothing sweeter than sleeping with your babies and feeling their breath on your cheeks.

I've learned.... That no one is perfect until you fall in love with them.

I've learned.... That life is tough, but I'm tougher.

I've learned.... That opportunities are never lost; someone will take the ones you miss.

I've learned.... That when you harbor bitterness, happiness will dock elsewhere.

I've learned.... That I wish I could have told my Dad that I love him one more time before he passed away.

I've learned.... That one should keep his words both soft and tender, because tomorrow he may have to eat them.

I've learned.... That a smile is an inexpensive way to improve your looks.

I've learned.... That I can't choose how I feel, but I can choose what I do about it.

I've learned.... That when your newly born grandchild holds your little finger in his little fist, that you're hooked for life.

I've learned.... That everyone wants to live on top of the mountain, but all the happiness and growth occurs while you're climbing it.

I've learned.... That it is best to give advice in only two circumstances; when it is requested and when it is a life threatening situation.

I've learned.... That the less time I have to work with, the more things I get done.

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We live in an age where pizza gets to your home before the police.

Jeff Marder

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Blessed is the man who, having nothing to say, abstains from giving wordy evidence of the fact.

George Eliot (1819 - 1880)

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## April School Calendars

### Spearman

April 21-26 - Regional Track Meet, Abilene; Regional Tennis Tournament, Abilene

April 24 - JH Choir Contest

April 24-27 - Regional Track Meet, Abilene; Regional Tennis Tournament, Abilene; HS Band Trip

April 27 - Texas Association of Community Schools STATE Small Schools Academic Contest, Belton

April 28 - Methodist Church Senior Supper, 6:30 p.m.

April 29 - Last day for absentee voting in person; TAKS testing; 3rd-8th & 11th grade math; SDAA Grades 3-8 math; TAAS Exit Level writing Retest

April 30 - TAKS testing; 3rd-8th & 10th grade reading; SDAA Grades 3-8 reading; TAAS Exit Level math Retest

### Gruver

April 24 - State FFA Land judging at Stephenville; Spring band trip

April 25 - Spring band trip; Regional track meet at Levelland

April 26 - State FFA horse judging at Lubbock; Regional track meet at Levelland; Band spring trip

April 27 - Spring band trip

April 28 - Senior supper at First Baptist Church

April 29 - Last day for absentee voting in person; TAKS testing; 3rd-8th, and 11th math.

April 30 - TAKS testing, 4th-8th, and 10th math.

## Proclamation "Sexual Assault Awareness Month" April 2003

Approximately 1.9 million Texans have fallen victim to sexual assault in their lifetime. Six out of ten adults in Texas consider sexual assault a personal worry. Texans recognize the trauma caused by sexual assault, not only to the victim, but also to all those attempting to aid in recovery: family, friends and colleagues.

Many Texans have dedicated their lives to ending sexual violence in Texas. Their work ranges from educating others about prevention to offering assistance to victims, from advocating for survivors to lobbying for legislative support in the fight to make Texas a no rape state.

Each year, the month of April provides an opportunity for the Texas Association Against Sexual Assault (TAASA) and rape crisis centers across the state to renew their commitments to serve their communities. For this period, educational efforts intensify, ensuring that Texans are aware of the sexual assault services available in their area.

TAASA's goal is to ensure that Texas is responsive to sexual abuse and assault victims and is committed to ending sexual violence. The theme for this year, Texas: A No Rape State, reflects the ideal and goal for a state that is intolerant of sexual violence in any form. This theme celebrates a proactive outlook towards prevention of sexual assault by educating and mobilizing Texans on every front.

The safety of Texans tomorrow depends on our vigilance against sexual assault today. I join in asking my fellow Texans to increase their awareness and learn how they can prevent sexual assault and all other forms of violence in communities across this great state.

Therefore, I, Judge Jim Brown, do hereby proclaim April, 2003, Sexual Assault Awareness Month in Hansford County, Texas and urge the appropriate recognition whereof.

Signed this the 8th day of April, 2003.

Judge Jim Brown

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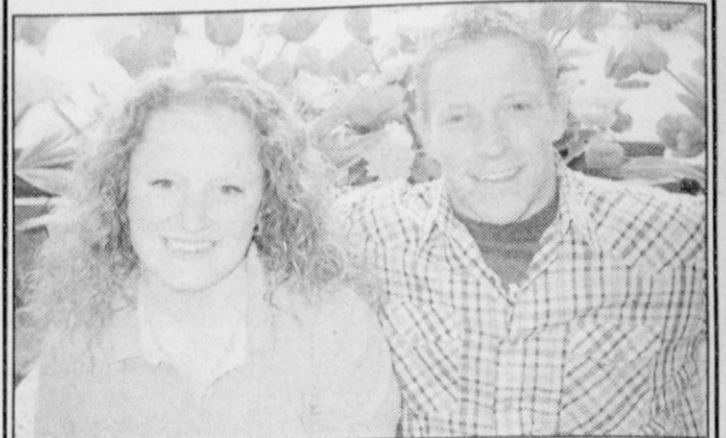


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Don't Forget  
Gruver Prom - May 3rd  
Spearman Prom - May 10th

## SHS March Students of the Month



The Spearman High School March Students of the Month are Stephanie Bolton and Lance Baker

Stephanie is the daughter of Johnny Bolton and Donna Pipkin. She was named to Who's Who Among American High School Students her sophomore year and received the Student Award her 6th grade year in Highland Park.

"I am now living on my own and am still going to school after dropping out last year just four months before graduation," stated Stephanie. "To me, that is an accomplishment."

She stated Mrs. Whitefield was the teacher who influenced her the most.

After graduation she plans to attend college in Houston, to major in Interior Design.

Lance is the son of Reagan Baker and Beckee Baker.

He has been a member of the Student Council since his freshman year, and in the National Honor Society since his sopho-

more year, currently serving as president of both. He has been on the honor roll several times throughout high school. He was a member of the varsity football team for three years, this year serving as Captain, and being named All-District Linebacker and Honorable Mention Running Back. He was a member of the varsity basketball team for two years, varsity track for three years, and varsity golf for four years. He was regional qualifier in track and golf his sophomore and junior years. He placed 1st in district in UIL Computer Applications.

He stated Coach Lamb was the teacher who influenced him the most.

Following graduation he plans to attend Texas Tech University, majoring in sports medicine. He hopes to be an athletic trainer at a major university.

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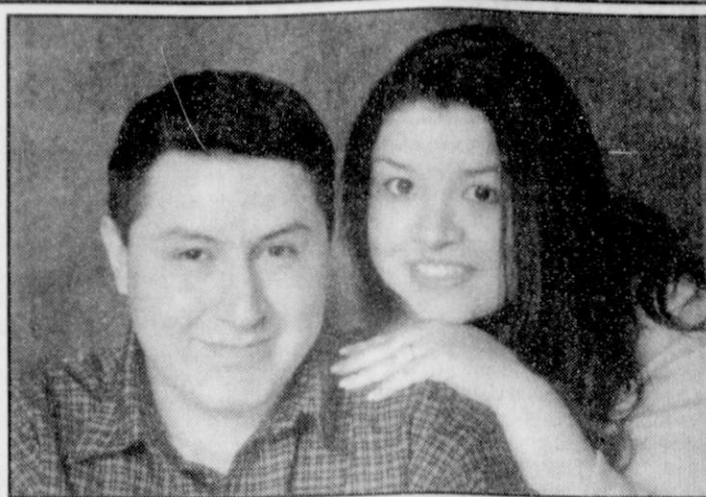
**Engagement Announcement**

Rudy and Lori Godino of Canadian, Texas announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter Sarah Elaine to Aaron Stanley Witten of Amarillo.

Witten is the son of Stan and Ronda Witten of Spearman. A July 26, 2003 wedding is planned at Cottonwood Springs, north of Pampa.

The bride-elect is a graduate of Canadian High School and attended West Texas A&M University. She is currently attending Amarillo College where she is studying travel and tourism.

Aaron is a 1999 graduate of Spearman High School and will graduate in May from West Texas A&M University with a Bachelors Degree in Sports and Exercise Science.



**Engagement Announcement**

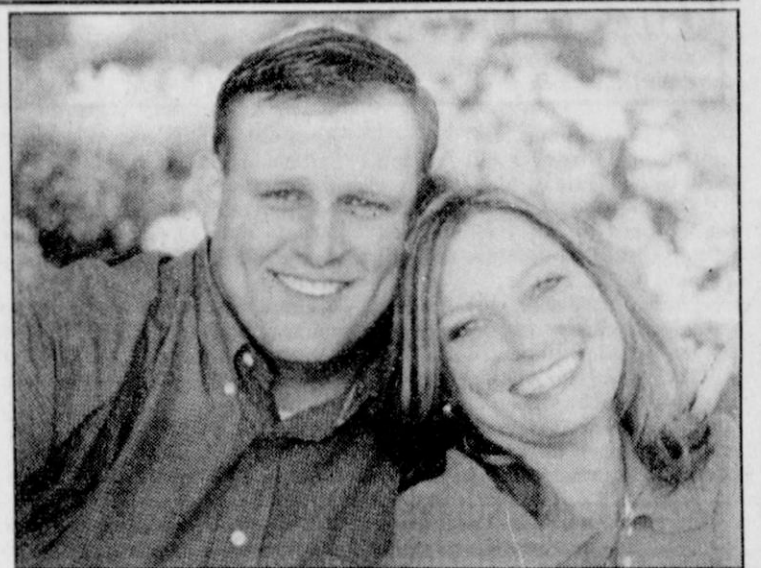
Estobio and Carmen Ortiz of Waka, Texas announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter Chelie Ortiz, formerly of Spearman and now of Canyon, to Frank Perez Jr., formerly of Muleshoe and now of Canyon. He is the son of Margarito Garza and Josie Garza and the late Frank Perez Sr.

Chelie is a 1995 graduate of Spearman High School and a 2002 graduate of West Texas A&M University with a Bachelors Degree in General Studies. She is a loan origination specialist for Panhandle Plains Student Loan Center in Canyon.

Frank is a 1996 graduate of Dimmitt High School and attends West Texas A&M University where he is majoring in business.

He is sales clerk in sporting goods for Walmart of Canyon.

The couple plan a May 24, 2003 wedding at the Clarion Hotel of Amarillo. They will reside in Canyon.



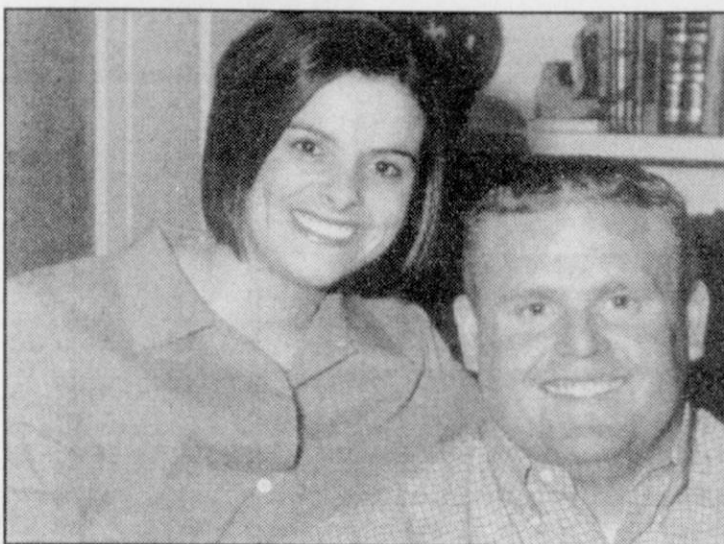
**Engagement Announcement**

Mel and Vera Tittle of Lubbock, TX announce the engagement of their daughter Elise to Mathew Gafford of Big Spring, TX. He is the son of Ladd and Cathy Gafford of Spearman.

The bride-elect is a graduate of South Plains Jr. College and Texas Tech University. She is employed in the customer service department of City Bank of Lubbock.

The groom-elect is a graduate of Spearman High School and Angelo State University. He is a coach and science teacher at Big Spring ISD.

A July 19, 2003 wedding is planned at St. Luke's Methodist Church in Lubbock.



**Engagement Announcement**

Lane and Lisa Salmans of Gruver announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter Erika Lynn to Scott Gordon Stedje. Scott is the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Stedje.

The bride-elect is a 1999 graduate of Gruver High School and is currently attending Oklahoma State University.

The prospective groom is a 1997 graduate of Gruver High School and a 2002 graduate of Oklahoma State University with a Bachelor of Science degree. He is currently teaching agricultural science at Spearman High School and farming.

The couple plan a June 7, 2003 wedding at the Gruver United Methodist Church. They will reside in the Oslo community.

You are invited to a  
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The Spearman EDC, working with Wildsteps.com, Inc. of Miami, has completed a draft of a community and economic development plan. This plan is designed to give our town a blueprint for moving ahead in the 21st Century. It addresses social issues and issues related to business development. It addresses the needs of youth, of seniors, of Hispanics, of businesses, and of newcomers. In order to complete the plan, however, we need YOUR input.

**The EDC is holding a Town Meeting at The O'Loughlin Center on Thursday, May 1st at 6:30 p.m. The purpose of the meeting is to introduce the plan and receive input from the community about it. The plan may be viewed on the Internet at [www.wildsteps.com/spearman\\_plan3.pdf](http://www.wildsteps.com/spearman_plan3.pdf).**

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# The Gruver Grapevine

by Harletta Carthel

**Lift-A-Thon Slated**  
Gruver's first ever Lift-A-Thon will be held Friday, May 2nd.

The purpose of the event is to raise funds to buy badly-needed equipment for the new school weight room.

Gruver athletes are currently seeking pledges to sponsor them in the weight-lifting challenge.

The event should prove to be great fun for the whole family. The public is invited to come and cheer the athletes on as they go against "the heavy metal."

**Sherrill Honored as Volunteer**

GHS Senior Ashleigh Sherrill was cited for honors in the Amarillo Globe News' special section "Reach Out Volunteers."

Sherrill accompanied residents of Hansford Manor to the Canadian Fall Foliage Festival. She also has worked at Faith City Mission in Amarillo and at vacation Bible school in Gruver.

She has assisted in fund-raisers for the leukemia and lymphoma society and for the cystic fibrosis.

**Community Care Concerns**

Marlene Winger returned home Monday after undergoing recent corrective heart surgery in Ohio.

Farene Williams was scheduled to return to Gruver Thursday, April 24, after undergoing surgery in Houston last week.

The mother of Paula Williams is experiencing some health problems and was transferred to Amarillo from Perryton, Sunday.

April 20, where she underwent gall bladder surgery.

**Absentee Balloting Continues**  
Early voting in person continues in the GUSD Board of Trustees Elections.

Those wishing to vote prior to the May 3 election, may do so by voting in person at the Gruver Schools Business Office between the hours of 8 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday.

**Gruver JV Wins 'Triple Crown'**

The GHS junior varsity boys have made a clean sweep this year as they have taken the district championship in football, basketball, and track.

**TAKS Test Slated**

TAKS tests will be taken by grades 9-11 on April 29 and May 1, and by grades 3 and 4 on April 29 and 30.

On April 29, grades 3 - 8, sophomores and juniors will be taking the math portion.

On April 30, 4-8 will be taking the reading tests. On May 1, eighth grade, freshmen and juniors will be taking the social studies portion while grade 5 will be taking the science section.

**Elementary to Present Musical**

The community is invited to two mini-musicals, "Open A Book" and "It's A Beautiful Land" Friday, May 9, at 2:00 p.m. in the school auditorium.

Children in kindergarten through fourth grades will be featured in the presentations.

# Among The Neighbors

by Helen Fisher

Last weekend Stacy DeLaCruz, her mother, Diane DeLaCruz, sister, Jennifer and Aunt Angie Salgado were in Weatherford, Tx. for a bridal shower for Stacy. It was hosted by the mother, sister and some of the future bridegroom Couts' aunts.

Joint hostesses were the ladies of the Methodist Church of which Couts is a member. In the late evening after a fun get together they attended a comedy show entitled "Four Day Weekend" in Ft. Worth. They returned to Spearman Sunday night after a never to be forgotten weekend.

Brendy Brown Kirkland, now of Ft. Worth, has been visiting her parents, Randy and Diane Brown. Brendy, a Gruver high graduate is now an oncology nurse. Getting their share of attention was son Clayton, four and daughter, Alex, one.

Another guest of the Browns has been Megan Brown of Scotts Bluff, Nebraska. She is the wife of Chad Brown. Unfortunately, Chad was not able to come.

To anyone who has missed Nina Hendricks during any street dance

will learn that the 16 stitches above her ankle were from April 15th. She doesn't blame the frustration of the day however. She was helping her brother, Bill Gaither, and was in the back of his pick-up trying to move a five gallon can of dirt when the tailgate fell open, the dirt can fell out, as did Nina. The can peeled the skin back, which required the 16 stitches.

The Tuesday evening T.V. and Wednesday Amarillo paper carried a picture of a driver being loaded in an ambulance with several firemen present.

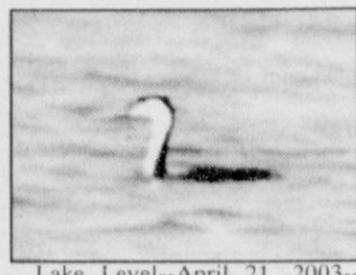
It was at the intersection of 16th and Georgia. The driver stated that she unintentionally ran a red light. Now this driver, Edna Buchanan Bassel, now of Amarillo, had been well trained to drive by an older sister (this writer) and must be re-rimanded.

There were no serious injuries.

Many are the families who were gone over the Easter weekend. Others had guests. The meetings and noon meals by the combined churches touched all with the true meaning of Easter.

# Out At The Lake

by Dorothy Hudson



Lake Level--April 21, 2003--27.91 feet

The rain gauge showed a combined .36 of an inch on the mid-week rain, but the level still dropped a little over 2 inches.

No fish stories in Jim's Monday Report, but he had seen a single osprey circling in the air near the dam. He mentioned seeing the cliff swallows coming back to the intake tower and how, as he had fished from a boat, he got to see two Western Grebes fishing in the water nearby. He said the birds stay under water an unbelievable amount of time and then a head with a long black and white neck pops out for air, and almost immediately goes back under water.

Western Grebe is a name I've seen, so I thought they were a variety of diving ducks. A little

research showed they aren't ducks at all. They sit higher in the water; their beaks are pointed, and their necks are longer and more slender. They are rarely seen in the Panhandle. I hope they decide to stay.

The Easter campers had a mixed bag of weather. Saturday had the cold front come in, but Sunday was a nice day for the picnics and egg hunts that went on. On the office side the Ole Bergan family and the Todd Williams family camped. Among the seven or eight on the north side were the families of Bart Baker and John Adams.

Jim remarked last summer was noted for the number of goat heads and young thistles. This spring is noted for the quantity of the tumbleweeds coupled with ferocious winds that have made them a real danger at times. The game warden had his turn signal light broken from a hit. A story from Guymon said there were alleys there that had been so clogged with the tumbleweeds that vehicles couldn't use them. Jim was planning to crush those blocking the road down to the base of the intake tower.

# MANOR MATTERS

by Merry Sparks

On Saturday March 22nd, Kenny Williamson from Amarillo wooed and wowed the residents of Hansford Manor and families visiting with the residents.

Kenny admits to being 75 years old. He entertains at a total of 22 nursing homes throughout the Panhandle area and it does not appear that he is interested in slowing down any.

His voice is truly amazing. He had staff, residents and visitors alike coming down to see who was singing. He is able to sing Willie Nelson as well as The Silver Fox, Johnny Cash as well as lead singer to the Gaithers. His performance is truly awesome. He is ever the showman.

There has only been one time in his life that he had to lay off singing. He had a bout with prostate cancer. While receiving 54 radiation treatments he was advised to lay off until his immune system could heal because of recurrent respiratory tract infections.

As of February of this year his doctors declared him well enough to go back to his route. He has been singing ever since and declares that it is by the grace of God that he is here at all. He visited with several residents and family members after giving a stellar performance.

Kenny will return to the Manor on April 29th at 10:00 a. m. for another performance. We are anxiously looking forward to seeing and hearing him again.

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SHS Sports

SHS TRACK

District Meet

SHS athletes qualified in eight individual events and three relays at the area meet in Panhandle to advance to regional competition April 24 and 25, in Abilene.

The Lynx took second place with 112 points while the Lynxettes finished third place with 111 points. The Lynx JV also finished in third place.

Varsity Boys

Triple Jump: 2. Lance Smith\* (42' 1/4")

High Jump: 3. Garrett Martin

Pole Vault: 5. Lance Baker

100 Meter Dash: 1. Paul Bynum\* (10.66)

200 Meter Dash: 2. Lance Baker\* (22.68), 4. Daniel Kern

400 Meter Dash: 3. Fernando Flores

1600 Meter Relay: 2. team of Scott Sauer, Fernando Flores, Lance Baker, Paul Bynum\* (44.70)

800 Meter Relay: team of Daniel Kern, Scott Sauer, Lance Baker, Paul Bynum\* (1:34.00)

300 Meter Hurdles: 4. Garrett Martin

Long Jump: 1. Paul Bynum\* (22' 7 3/4"), 3. Ricky Garcia

Discus: 2. Clete Vanderburg\* (135' 7")

Varsity Girls

800 Meter Relay: 6. team of Dana McLaughlin, Sonya Mendoza, Kristen Parker, Haley Barnes

1600 Meter Relay: 2. team of Melissa Lesly, Cayla Smith, Macy

Harbour, Claudia Vaquero\* (4:22.10)

100 Meter Hurdles: 4. Mallory Paul

300 Meter Hurdles: 6. Mallory Paul

Triple Jump: 2. Claudia Vaquera\* (34' 4 1/2")

Pole Vault: 4. Macy Harbour

100 Meter Dash: 2. Claudia Vaquera\* (12.89)

400 Meter Dash: 3. Macy Harbour

800 Meter Run: 1. Cayla Smith\* (2:43.47), 5. Alisha Sweat

1600 Meter Run: 3. Ashlee Flowers, 4. Tabatha Shields

3200 Meter Run: 3. Tabatha Shields, 4. Ashlee Flowers, 5. Rossilyn Bulls

Junior Varsity Boys

100 Meter Dash: 4. Brock Town

3200 Meter Run: 2. Jerry Araya, 4. Carlos Baca

400 Meter Relay: 4. team of Brock Town, Johnathan Mendoza, Isaac Herndon, J.J. Gallegos

800 Meter Relay: 5. team of Jarick Howard, Kylie McGaha, Josh Chambers, Travis Sanders

1600 Meter Relay: 4. team of Brock Town, Jacob Jones, J.J. Gallegos, Joel Lopez

300 Meter Hurdles: 3. Jeff Brock

Shot Put: 1. Brock Town

Triple Jump: 2. Josh Chambers, 3. Jacob Jones

High Jump: 6. Jarick Howard

110 Meter Hurdles: 2. Jeff Brock, 4. Jarick Howard

\* Denotes regional qualifier

GHS Sports

GHS TRACK

District Meet

GHS athletes qualified in eight individual events and one relay at the area meet in Panhandle to advance to regional competition April 25 and 26, in Levelland.

The Gruver boys finished in sixth place with 38 points while the Gruver girls took fourth place with 38 points.

Varsity Boys

Pole Vault: 4. Brock Irwin\* (10' 1")

800 Meter Run: 2. Manny Lopez\* (2:08.51), 3. David Puebla\* (2:08.97)

1600 Meter Run: 2. Manny Lopez\* (4:56.07)

1600 Meter Relay: 4. Team of Salvador Luciano, David Puebla,

Hutch Reed, and Jose Rodriguez\* (3:39.80)

400 Meter Relay: 5. team of David Hernandez, Hutch Reed, Jose Luciano, and Salvador Luciano

Varsity Girls

Shot Put: 3. Lisa Johnson\* (33' 9 1/2")

3200 Meter Run: 2. Reagan Knight\* (12:54.58)

100 Meter Dash: 3. Christi Clift\* (12.51)

200 Meter Dash: 4. Christi Clift\* (26.47)

Pole Vault: 1. Blythe Finley\* (9' 6")

400 Meter Relay: 5. team of Blythe Finley, Lindsay Clift, Lisa Johnson, and Christi Clift

\* Denotes regional qualifier

Wheat Field Day Slated May 8th

Farmers can update their knowledge of wheat production at a May 8 wheat field day at the AgriPro farm near Lockett, east of Vernon on U.S. Highway 70. Registration begins at 9:30 a.m. Field tours begin at 10 a.m.

Topics for this event include: current and future wheat varieties; Clearfield wheat technology; Triticale forage varieties; and planting dates for wheat forage.

There is no charge to attend, and a lunch will be served. Participants can earn three continuing education units.

Sponsors of this half-day event include the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station, Texas Cooperative Extension and AgriPro Wheat.

For more information on the event, call your local county Extension office or the Texas A&M Agricultural Research and Extension Center at (940) 552-9941.

Spearman FFA Attends Contest

Spearman FFA has been working hard this spring with judging contests. They attended the Area Judging Contest in Lubbock on Saturday, April 12th. Results are as follows.

Dairy Cattle Team placed 2nd; Land Team placed 3rd; Wildlife Team placed 3rd; Livestock Team placed 4th.

FUMC To Present "God In Us"

You are invited to join the First United Methodist Church at 407 S Haney in Spearman for the 11:00 worship service on Mothers Day, May 11th for a Mothers Day special music presentation.

The Chancel Choir will present "GOD IN US" under the direction of Trudie Gordon. From the creative team of Tom Fetteke, Camp Kirkland, Don Moen, Bob Rist, Jay Rouse, Randy Vader and Jerry Weimer, our journey continues. We have celebrated the joy of knowing He has come, Emmanuel, "GOD WITH US". We have stood in wondrous awe of this life changing truth that God is on our side, "GOD FOR US". Now we gather once again to encounter the great mystery that was hidden from the beginning of time but His Word has made known - Christ has chosen to dwell within the heart of His people, "GOD IN US".

The Praise Team includes, Lynanne Maize, Betty Womble and Sheryl Meek. Soloists are Lynanne Maize, Linda Winegarner, Betty Womble, Greg Meek, Margy Schoenhals, Mark Schoenhals, Kent Guthrie, Trudie Gordon, Eulalia Blankenship, and Verna Strawn. Narrators are Mark Schoenhals, Randy Kirk and Judy Nelson. Slides will be presented by Verlan Winegarner during the presentation. Music technician is Darryl Chambers.

If you are unable to attend the service you are invited to listen to the broadcast on KRDF radio. May we celebrate together the great love of our Lord and honor our Mothers through this beautiful musical presentation and please know that you are always welcome at First United Methodist Church.



Family and Friends gathered around Mike Schnell to congratulate him at the Great Plains Banker's Association Meeting held Tuesday, April 15th. Mike was recently elected to serve as President-Elect of the Texas Bankers Association. Pictured are, L-R) Stinson Gibner, LeAnne Gibner, Mike Schnell, Teresa Barkley and Steve B aggerly.

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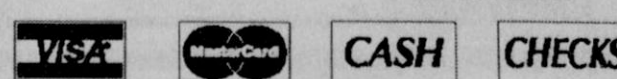
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# Spearman Junior High Sports

## JUNIOR HIGH TRACK Booker Track Meet

The Spearman Lynx and Lynxettes Junior High participated in the Booker Track Meet on March 14th.

Results are listed below.

### 7th & 8th Grade Girls

The Spearman Junior High Lynxettes brought home the 1st Place trophy from the Booker Track Meet. Individual results: 800M run: Amy Brown - 1st and Christy Lang - 2nd, 100M hurdles: Kylee Howard - 2nd, 200M hurdles: Kylee Howard - 1st and Brittney Bradley - 3rd, 400M relay: Callie Cazares, Kendall Schneider, Lisa Espinoza, Sandi Carbajal - 1st, 1600M relay: Amy Boyd, Kylee Howard, Jessica Diaz, Amy Brown - 1st, 1200M run: Erica Davila - 4th, triple jump: Kylee Howard - 1st, long jump: Kylee Howard - 1st and Brittney Bradley - 3rd, and discus: Kendall Schneider - 1st. Way to go girls!!

by Cara Gwin

### 7th & 8th Grade Boys

The Booker Track Meet was a success for the Spearman Junior High Lynx. They placed 1st with 175 points. Runners like those in the sprint relay, the 800 relay and the mile relay all came away with 1st place medals. Anthony Renteria won the 800M run and Casey Cator placed 3rd in that event. Field events were a big help too. Alek Mires won the high jump. In the triple jump, Roberto Flores won 1st, Aaron Maestas got 2nd, and Lance Huddleston got 3rd. Flores also got 1st in the long jump and Maestas won 3rd.

by Zack Nollner

### Spearman Track Meet

The Spearman Lynx and Lynxettes Junior High participated in the Spearman Track Meet on March 21st & 22nd.

Results are listed below.

### 7th Grade Girls

The 7th Grade Lynxettes got 1st place!!

Individual Results: Kylee Howard: 1st - triple jump and 200M hurdles, 2nd - long jump and 100M hurdles; Brittney Bradley: 3rd - 200M hurdles; Callie Cazares: 2nd - triple jump; Clara Kern: 2nd - discus and 200M run, 3rd - shot put; Sandi Carbajal: 3rd - 100M run; Christy Lang: 1st - pole vault, 2nd - 800 and 1200M run; Lisa Espinoza: 3rd - 400M run; Amanda Snider: 3rd - 400M run; Jessica Diaz: 1st - 1200M run; Sandi Carbajal, Kendall Schneider, Callie Cazares, Lisa Espinoza: 3rd - 400M relay; Clara Kern, Kyla Reed, Amy Boyd, Jessica Diaz: 1st - 800M relay; Jessica Diaz, Amy Brown, Christy Lang, Kylee Howard: 1st - 1600M relay

### 8th Grade Girls

The 8th Grade Lynxettes got 2nd place.

Individual Results: Kelcee Rex: 1st - 100 and 200M run, 2nd - long jump, 3rd - triple jump; Jordanna Lozano: 1st - shot put (broke meet record); Karina Hernandez: 2nd - 800 and 1200M run; Erica Davila: 3rd - 1200M run; Kelcee Rex, Saylee Flowers, Jordanna Lozano, Karina Hernandez: 2nd - 800M relay

by Britney Montgomery

### 7th Grade Boys

The 7th Grade Lynx got 5th place at the Spearman Track Meet.

Individual Results: Jeremy Frost: 3rd - 110M hurdles; Tyler Rex: 2nd - pole vault; Victor Flores: 2nd - long jump and 200M run; 800M relay - 2nd

### 8th Grade Boys

The 8th Grade Lynx won the track meet.

Individual Results: Triple Jump: 1st - Roberto Flores, 2nd - Lance

Huddleston, 3rd - Aaron Maestas; Pole Vault: 1st - Aaron Maestas; High Jump: 1st - Collin Gillaspie; Discus: 3rd - Rhett Renner; Long Jump: 2nd - Roberto Flores; 1200M Run: 2nd - Lance Huddleston; 400M Relay: 3rd; 110M Hurdles: 2nd - Stuart Martin; 800M Relay: 2nd; 400M Run: 1st - Roberto Flores; 200M Hurdles: 1st - Brynr Garnett, 3rd - Stuart Martin; 800M Run: 2nd - Lance Huddleston, 3rd - Anthony Renteria; Mile Relay: 1st

by Elliott Sheets

### Stratford Track Meet

The Spearman Lynx and Lynxettes Junior High participated in the Stratford Track Meet on March 28th & 29th.

Results are listed below.

### 7th Grade Girls

The 7th Grade Lynxettes won the Stratford Track Meet with 251 points.

Individual results: Kylee Howard: 1st - 100 and 200M hurdles, triple jump, long jump; Brittney Bradley: 2nd - 100 and 200M hurdles and 3rd - triple jump; Kendall Schneider: 2nd - shot put and discus; Callie Cazares: 3rd - high jump; Amy Brown: 3rd - 400M run; Clara Kern: 2nd - 200M run and discus; 1st - mile relay, 800 relay; 2nd - 400 relay.

### 8th Grade Girls

The 8th Grade Lynxettes got 3rd at the meet.

Individual results: Kelcee Rex: 1st - 100M run, 200M run and long jump, 2nd - triple jump; Saylee Flowers: 3rd - triple jump; Jordanna Lozano: 2nd - discus and 3rd - shot put; 1st - 800M relay (Karina Hernandez, Jordanna Lozano, Kelcee Rex, Saylee Flowers).

by Amy Boyd

### 7th Grade Boys

The 7th Grade Boys placed 3rd at the meet.

Individual results: Tyler Rex: 1st - 400M run, Victor Flores: 1st - long jump and 200M run, Dane Harbour: 3rd - 800M run.

### 8th Grade Boys

The 8th Grade Lynx brought home another championship trophy.

Individual results: Collin Gillaspie: 1st - high jump, 1st - mile relay (Anthony Renteria, Lance Huddleston, Brynr Garnett, Roberto Flores), Brynr Garnett: 1st - pole vault, Roberto Flores: 1st - triple jump and 400M run, Stuart Martin: 1st - 110 and 200M hurdles, Lance Huddleston: 1st - 1200M run, 1st - 800M relay (Brynr Garnett, Stuart Martin, Aaron Maestas, Roberto Flores). The Lynx will travel to WT next Saturday for district hoping to bring home the gold!!

by Collin Gillaspie

### District Track Meet

The Spearman Lynx and Lynxettes Junior High participated in the District Track Meet on April 21st & 22nd.

Results are listed below.

### 7th Grade Girls

The 7th grade Lynxettes took another win at the district track meet held at West Texas.

Individual results: Kylee Howard: 1st - 300M hurdles, triple jump, long jump and 2nd - 100M hurdles; Brittney Bradley: 2nd - 300M hurdles and 3rd - long jump and 100M hurdles; 3rd - 1600M relay (Kylee Howard, Mattie Davis, Amy Brown, Christy Lang); 1st - 800M relay (Amy Boyd, Kyla Reed, Clara Kern, Jessica Diaz); Kendall Schneider: 3rd - 300M hurdles; Clara Kern: 1st - discus; Amy Brown: 3rd - 800M run; Jessica Diaz: 2nd - 1200M and 800M run; Christy Lang: 1st -

800M run and 2nd - 2400M run; Callie Cazares: 2nd - high jump, 3rd - triple jump.

### 8th Grade Girls

The 8th grade Lynxettes got 3rd place at the district meet.

Individual results: Saylee Flowers: 2nd - triple jump, 3rd - long jump; 2nd - 800M relay (Saylee Flowers, Jordanna Lozano, Kelcee Rex, Karina Hernandez); Kelcee Rex: 2nd - 100M and 200M run, 3rd - triple jump; Karina Hernandez: 2nd - 800M and 1200M run; Wilhma Macias: 3rd - 2400M run.

by Brittney Bradley

The 7th grade boys got 4th place at the district track meet.

Individual results: Tyler Rex: 2nd - 400M run; Dane Harbour: 2nd - pole vault; 800 relay - 3rd.

### 8th Grade Boys

The 8th grade boys won the meet.

Individual results: Collin Gillaspie broke the district record in the high jump with a jump of 6'2"; Rhett Renner won the discus with a throw of 117'; Stuart Martin: 1st - pole vault; Brynr Garnett set the district record in the 300M hurdles; Lance Huddleston: 1st - 2400M run.

by Brynr Garnett

### 7th Grade Boys



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**NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING OF THE CITY OF GRUVER**  
A public meeting will be held April 28, 2003 at 5:00 at the Gruver City Hall to discuss a grant application with the USDA Rural Development office for a loan to purchase a new trash truck.  
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**NOTICE**  
Special Education records held by Perryton Special Education Shared Service Arrangement, Perryton, Texas is giving notice to destroy the Special Education records of students with disabilities (including speech) who graduated or were dismissed from Special Education between June, 1993 and June, 1994.  
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3(4-17-03)B

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS**  
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**LEGAL NOTICE**  
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Absent were Debbie Eslick, Rosalee Bueno, Rod Sumner, Justin Boyd, Mark Murray, Kevin McDonald, Martina Miller, and Cindy Scribner.

After the approval of the minutes, Missie and Rosi gave a report on the Cinco de Mayo plans and upcoming events. On March 22, the six candidates will be presented at a dinner and dance. The event will begin at 7 p.m. at the O'Loughlin Center. The meal will be a fundraiser for the Los Guadalupeños. The Mariachi Mi Tierra will perform and Rosi and Armondo will DJ a dance until midnight. The candidates and their sponsors will be recognized. Tickets will sell for \$20 for adults and \$10 for children under 6. Ticket deadline will be Wednesday, March 19th.

Details for the April 19th dance were discussed. A motion was passed to pursue the contract with Innovation. This band is well-known throughout the country. We will hold the April 19th dance at the rodeo in Perryton for two reasons: the Rodeo can seat up to 2000 people and because of the popularity of Innovation, the board felt we needed to rent the space to accommodate as many as possible.

We anticipate we will have a very large crowd that will attend from all over the area. Also, the Rodeo has donated a \$200 scholarship, the crown and scepter for the winning queen. The candidates will sell postcards and Spearmanopoly games as their fundraisers. We will meet on March 27 to make further plans.

We will also discuss Secretary's Day at the March 27th meeting.

**GRUVER ISD**

Meeting in regular session April 7, the Gruver ISD Board of Trustees received visitors Matt Branstine, Roy Mayhew, Weston Born, Amy TeBeest, Christi Clift, Mike King, Pat Overbey, Howard Hammerbeck, Joe Argona, Eric Cruz, and Rod Been.

Several motions were approved by a unanimous 7-0 vote including the approval of Jones Energy's request to lay a temporary pipeline around the school farm, contingent on negotiations with the superintendent, the approval of a senior out-of-state trip to New Mexico for white water rafting, and the approval of the compensatory education audit.

Approved by the same 7-0 vote were an out of state summer school field trip, the canceling of the May Special board election (for the on-

year unexpired term of David Bergin now being filled by Buddy Lowe, who was unopposed), and the approval of the text book adoption list.

The date of May 6th, at 5:00 p.m. was approved by a similar 7-0 vote to canvass the Special Board election of May 3rd, in which two three-year seats will be filled.

In a vote to approve Hansford Appraisal District's contract for assessment and collections, trustees Irwin, Lowe, Wilson, Winger, and Yanke voting aye with member Stavlo voting nay, and member Sherrill abstaining, for a 5-1-1 vote.

Superintendent David Teal reported on attendance and enrollment, the roof update, the Windpower update, a grant from Sunray Coop, a technology plan, and the weight room progress.

His report also included Home School Day, April 8, a request to have late penalties waived, a financial report, and the revenue and expenditures.

After meeting in executive session for 34 minutes, the board adjourned at 8:09 p.m.

School board members present were Paul Stavlo, Mike Yanke, Terry Sherrill, Jody Irwin, Davin Winger, Benny Wilson, and Buddy Lowe.

**SPEARMAN CHAMBER**

The Spearman Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors discussed plans on a variety of upcoming activities at their Thursday, April 10 meeting at the Hungry Cowboy.

Rosi Martinez gave a report on Cinco de Mayo. Robert Patrick took posters to Pampa, and Lenny Pecha will take poster to Guymon. Posters will also be taken to Liberal, Booker, and Canadian. Gina Gillispie will distribute posters in Perryton, Borger, Stinnett, Dumas, Sunray, and Cactus.

Tickets for the Cinco de Mayo dance on April 19 will be \$25 in advance and \$30 at the door.

Martinez stressed the need to sell tickets as Mrs. Avila was in the hospital, and the Chamber might not have use of the radio to advertise.

Gillispie reported that the Chamber had been asked to be the non-profit organization to front the funding set up for Maria. Cindy Scribner was chosen to participate.

Pecha asked for discussion on the Chamber Board having a rodeo during Heritage Days June 14. The rodeo board has decided not to do a rodeo, but Pecha felt that an activity was needed in the afternoon.

Patrick advised that we try to get a business to sponsor the rodeo with the help of the Chamber to advertise their business and make use of their work force as the

Chamber Board will also be sponsoring the parade, dance, and other activities. Further discussion is planned at the next meeting in May.

Justin Boyd reported that "Shattered Dreams" will be held on Monday, May 5, and Tuesday, May 6, and encouraged the board to attend. Gillispie reported that the Chamber donated \$100 for needed funding.

Boyd was selected as the chairman of the golf committee with other committee members being Missie Bates, Jason Cantrell, Kevin McDonald, Scribner, Martina Miller, and Gillispie. The golf committee will meet in early May.

Members present for the meeting were Lenny Pecha, Justin Boyd, Cindy Scribner, Martina Miller, Rosi Martinez, Kevin McDonald, Mark Murray, Robert Patrick, Debbie Eslick, and Gina Gillispie. Absent were Missie Bates, Jason Cantrell, Rod Sumner, and Rosalee Bueno.

**HOSPITAL AUXILIARY**

The Hansford Hospital Auxiliary met April 7, 2003, in the Fellowship Hall of the First Christian Church for their Spring Luncheon and business meeting.

Out-going president, Jackie Graham, presided and installed Judy Nelson as the new president. A president's pin was presented to Judy Nelson, and Elaine Odegaard was presented a membership pin.

150-hour pins were presented to Adalyn Barnes, Muriel Boyd, Betty Davis, Alva Garner, Mary Kay Harbour, Mary Fern Terry and Jackie Graham. A 25-year pin was presented to Gwen Smith. Members worked 1,493 hours this past year.

A thermometer, bell alarm, Toshiba E740, enclosed food cart and Olympic T-shirts were purchased for the Hansford Manor. The T shirts will be worn by Manor residents to wear to competitions from the Operation Christmas Greeting Fund.

Steve Hartgraves presented a Health Accountability Program that is required training for all volunteers.

Those present were Alva Garner, Verna Gail Keim, June Jackson, Judy Yarbrough, Lorene Kunselman, Gwen Smith, Patty Sheppard, Elaine Odegaard, Virginia Trindle, Karen Hartgraves, Mary Kay Harbour, Adalyn Barnes, Teresa Kirk, Carol Sell, Judy Nelson, Norma Jean Mackie, and Jackie Graham.

Guests were Anne Snow, Merry Sparks, Sandi Foster, Joann Schneider, Steve Hartgraves, Ernestine Salgado and Karen Devers.

**CITY OF GRUVER**

Meeting in regular session April 9, 2003, the Gruver City Commission met with Mayor Mark Irwin, City Manager Linda Weller, Commissioners Johnnie Williams and Chad Logsdon, Police Chief John Chambers, and Director of Public Works, Robert Blount, present.

The commission passed ordinance #294 canceling the general election scheduled for May 3, 2003 due to lack of a contested election.

A contract with Hansford County Appraisal District for the assessment and collection of property taxes was also approved with Mayor Mark Irwin abstaining.

**HANSFORD HOSPICE**

Hansford Hospice Volunteers met April 14, 2003 at the First State Bank Community Room in Spearman.

Carolyn Hicks introduced Gerry Kelly, Chaplain at Harrington Cancer Center, who gave a very interesting program on "Helping People."

June Jackson presided at the business meeting in the absence of Verna Lee Shirley.

Ken Cole and Linda Lieb reported on the pastor's training in Amarillo.

It was reported that oxygen con-

centrators are needed by the hospital. Each concentrator cost approximately \$670.00. Dean Lieb moved that Hospice Volunteers purchase three oxygen concentrators. Doyle Jackson seconded the motion, and it passed.

Hospice will be responsible for Bingo the last two weeks of April.

It was reported that we have eight patients in hospice with one in the unit. Charla Hargis reported on HIPAA regulations. Carolyn Hicks reported that the may meeting will be in Gruver at the Gruver State Bank with the speaker being the Rev. Scott Curry of Gruver.

**NAYLOR AUCTION**  
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*We are currently accepting consignments to this special spring event. No household items please.*

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*Supporting Those Who Serve —*

Several people have inquired about the mailing addresses for Hansford County servicemen and women. Several school classes and individuals are wishing to offer their support and thanks to these people during this time of conflict.

The Hansford County Reporter-Statesman is asking family members of ALL military men and women to submit the name, branch of service, rank, address, e-mail, and location (if possible) for their loved ones. This list will be published and will also be distributed to the schools in Hansford County.

Please submit names even if the address has not changed. Names will not be released without permission from a family member.

Thank you in advance for your help.

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

**Note for corresponding with military personnel stationed in the Persian Gulf:**

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When mailing packages, you must fill out form 2976 or 2976-A (you get this form at the post office). Articles are liable for customs duty and/or purchase tax unless they are bona fide gifts intended for use by military personnel or their dependents, the mailer must endorse the customs form, "Certified to be a bona fide gift, personal effects, or items for personal use of military personnel and dependents," under the heading, Description of Contents.

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