WORLD NEWS Brazil lays out nuclear plans
BRASILIA, Brazil — Brazil and the
AEA are at loggerheads over an
mergy agency demand for unimpedd access to a factory that produces
nuclear fuel. Brazil has indicated that t wants less stringent standards than he IAEA is seeking.

All eyes on Aussie election
SYDNEY — In three days,
Australians will choose as their
leader either one of President Bush's
closest allies in the Iraq war or a
politician who says the U.S. leader
"is the most dangerous and incompetent president in living memory."

Chavez may talk to U.S.
CARACAS, Venezuela — President
Hugo Chavez's administration "is
willing to talk" with the United
States to improve relations between
Caracas and Washington,
Venezuela's vice president said

Interpol focuses on terrorism CANCUN, Mexico — Interpol has compiled a database of 6,000 suspected terrorists and 4 million stolen travel documents that could be used in terror activities, Interpol Secretary General Ronald Noble told law enforcement officials Tuesday.

Report: No progress in Sudan UNITED NATIONS — The top U.N. envoy to Sudan said Tuesday the Sudanese government has failed to improve security for the embattled people in Darfur or brought to justice the perpetrators of atrocities during the 19-month conflict.

Iran says it increased missile range TEHRAN, Iran — Iran said Tuesday, its missiles now have a range of more than 1,200 miles, a substantial extension of their previously declared range. The old version of Iran's Shahab-3 missile had a range of 810 miles, capable of reaching Israel and various U.S. military bases in the Middle East.

Troop redeployment delayed SEOUL. South Korea — The United States will withdraw a total of 12,500 troops from South Korea by 2008, delaying its original plan to redeploy the troops by the end of next year, the South Korean Defense Ministry said Wednesday. The ministry said the U.S. military will pull out 5,000 troops by the end of this year.

Al-Sadr's men sign cease-fire FALLUJAH, Iraq — U.S.-led forces unleashed a strike early Wednesday at a suspected safehouse in rebelheld Fallujah where terrorist leaders were believed to be meeting, the military said in a statement. There was no immediate word on casualties.

NATIONAL NEWS U.S. flu vaccine sliced in half
Nearly half the USA's expected supply of flu vaccine won't be delivered
because British health authorities
suspended Chiron Corp.'s license to
make it, company officials said Tues.

Cheney, Edwards debate
CLEVELAND — Deep political
divisions on Iraq, health care and
taxes dominated Tuesday's vice presidential debate, with Vice President
Cheney and John Edwards defending
the records and positions of the men
who head their tickets.

WTC remains in landfill NEW YORK — World Trade Center families are fighting to get debris reburied so their loved ones don't spend eternity resting on trash in the huge Fresh Kills landfill.

Services slows

NEW YORK — Growth in the vast
U.S. services sector slowed in
September, according to an industry
survey published Tuesday. The
Institute for Supply Management's
non-manufacturing index slid to 56.7
from 58.2 in August,

Layoffs soar

NEW YORK — Employment consulting firm Challenger, Gray & Christmas said employers announced 107,863 layoffs in September, 41% more than in September 2003 and 45% more than in August this year.

WASHINGTON NEWS GOP to end draft rumor ersistent Internet rumor that President Bush wants to reinstate the draft if he is re-elected, engineering an overwhelming vote Tues, killing legislation that would do just that.

Bremer: Not enough troops
Democratic presidential candidate
John Kerry seized Tuesday on new
criticism of Iraq policy by the former
U.S. administrator there to bolster
his case that President Bush has mismanaged the war.

Powell tells Israel to end attack secretary of State Colin Powel alled on Israel Tuesday to end it retaliatory foray into Gaza, while U.S. diplomats at the United Nations tried to derail an Arab resolution designed to end the incursion.

Al-Qaeda-Saddam link is weak efense Secretary Donald Rumsfel aid Monday that he hasn't seen "any strong, hard evidence" to link Saddam Hussein and the al-Qaeda terrorists who staged the Sept. 11 attacks, a more direct statement than he has made on the subject before.

House affirms N. Korea aid
The United States could spend up to
\$24 million a year in humanitarian
aid for North Koreans, much of it for
refugees who have fled the impoverished, totalitarian state, under legislation approved by the House
Monday and sent to the president for
his signature

New orders at factories fell unex-pectedly in August after a sharp fall in demand for civilian aircraft, gov-ernment data showed Monday. But excluding transportation equipment he data showed reasonable strength

Report: Saddam destroyed arms
An extensive U.S. investigation has
found that Iraq destroyed virtually all
its chemical and biological munitions in 1991, a dozen years before
President Bush ordered U.S. troops
to invade based largely on the
alleged threat posed by those
weapons

TEXAS NEWS Texas criminal records missing Law enforcement officials say public safety could be at risk because of an incomplete database for the state's criminal convictions. A Dept. of Public Safety report in July found that the state has only 69% of the criminal records for 2002, and just 60% for 2001. Hundreds of thousands of records are missing. The Dallas Morning News said it found 4,000+ Dallas County records involving sex offenses from 1993 to 2003 that weren't in the database.

Surcharges for irresponsible drivers Nearly 200,000 drivers face possible license revocations unless they pay surcharges that add up to \$67 mil-lion, the DPS said. The fees under the Texas Driver Responsibility Program target irresponsible drivers, including those who drive drivers, including those who drive drunk. Revenues will help fund trauma cen-ters and emergency medical services. ters and emergency medical services. Officials expect the program to generate about \$1 billion by 2008.

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# THURSDAY, OCTOBER 7, 2004 Gruver Elementary named No Child Left Behind Blue Ribbon School

Gruver Elementary School state tests; and has been named a No Child Left 2004, U.S. Secretary of Rod Paige Education announced.

"For years, many of our underprivileged children were ignored and pre-judged, moved to the back of the room and quietly pushed through the system, with their scores hidden in averages," Secretary Paige said. "They were cast into the shadows, then cast out into life without the skills to succeed. This created a chronic achievement gap that mocked the promise of public education. So we must change our approach, incentives and expectations. We must foster a climate of academic excellence, enabling all students to reach the highest levels of scholarship.

"No Child Left Behind is starting to generate some amazing results, transforming the educational landscape. Today, I am pleased to announce that you have been named a No Child Left Behind Blue Ribbon School, and I congratulate you for your achievements."

The No Child Left Behind Blue Ribbon Schools program recognizes schools that make significant progress in closing the achievement gap or whose students achieve at very high levels. More than 250 of the nation's schools have been named 2004 No Child Left Behind Blue Ribbon Schools.

The schools are selected based on one of three criteria:

Schools with at least 40 percent of their students from disadvantaged backgrounds that dramatically improve student performance on state tests, as determined by the state school chief;

· Schools whose students, regardless of background, achieve in the top 10 percent on

schools must meet "Adequate school districts." Yearly Progress," or AYP, in reading/language arts and mathematics. Each state sets its own cation reform law designed to

· Private schools that achieve mark goals-not the federal gov- schools by closing the achieve-Behind Blue Ribbon School of in the top 10 percent in the ernment-because each state ment gap, offering more flexiknows best what goals and crite-Under No Child Left Behind, ria are most appropriate for its

The No Child Left Behind Act is the bipartisan landmark edu-

academic standards and bench- change the culture of America's bility to states, giving parents more options and teaching students based on what works. Under the law's strong accountability provisions, states must describe how they will close the

achievement gap and make sure all students, including those with disabilities, achieve academically.

More information about the No Child Left Behind Act is available at www.ed.gov.



The 2003-2004 faculty of Gruver elementary are to be congratulated for being named a No Child Left Behind Blue Ribbon School. Members of the faculty include (front, from left) Emma Pando, Sylvia Borunda, Renea Swink, Patty Miner, Mary J. Henson; (second row, from left) Julie Stedje, Christy Cooper, Tracy King, Cynthia Henson, Eva Spivey; (third row, from left) Rhonda Williams, Kathy Lindsey, Diane Brown, Darlene Gibson, Kristi Williams; (back, from left) Lori Haight, Sharolyn Finley, Micky Maupin, Debby Mayhew, Angie Clawson

# Early voting to begin for **November General Election**

by Harletta Carthel

Early voting in person for the November General Election will begin Monday, October 18, and continued through Friday, October 29, according to County Clerk Kim Vera.

For those wishing to receive ballots by mail, Tuesday, October 26, is the last day for the early voting clerk to receive applications. The ballots must then be returned by mail no later than the day of the general election, Tuesday, November 2.

Voters do not need a reason or have extenuating circumstances to vote in early balloting in person. Those requesting ballots by mail, however, can do so under the following conditions: will be away from their county on election day and during early voting, are sick or disabled, are 65 years of age or older on election day, or are confined in jail, but eligible to vote.

With Monday, October 4, the deadline for voters to register for the November General

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THURSDAY - A 60 percent

chance of showers and thunder-

storms. Highs in the lower 70s.

Southwest winds around 5 mph.

THURSDAY NIGHT - Partly

cloudy. A chance of showers

and thunderstorms then a slight

chance of showers and thunder-

storms after midnight. Lows in

the lower 50s. Southwest winds

5 to 10 mph. Chance of showers

and thunderstorms 40 percent.

FRIDAY - Partly cloudy with a

20 percent chance of showers

and thunderstorms. Highs in the

lower 70s.

Election, Hansford County Tax Assessor/Collector Cummings reports Monday as a busy day for her office in issuing voter registrations to new residents and returning residents, and assisting those with questions about their registration status.

Anyone who failed to meet the registration deadline Monday, will not be eligible to vote in the November General Election.

While the Hansford County Clerk's office had a total of 3,271 registered voters on Tuesday, that number may rise as those registering on Monday are added to the computer

Voters are urged to take their voter registration card to the polls November 2. If a voter does not have his card with him, he may be asked for a drivers license to establish his identity.

Of the seven county and district positions to be filled in the November elections, all are Republicans who will face no

opponents. The county and district offices and their Republican nominees are County Judge -Wilson, Benny Assessor/Collector - Linda Cummings, Sheriff - Gary Evans, Commissioner Precinct 3, 5, and 7 - Tim Stedje, 84th Judicial District Judge -Williams D. Smith, and 84th Judicial District Attorney - Clay Ballman.

Even with the uncontested county and district races, the presidential election is expected to draw voters to the polls.

FRIDAY NIGHT - Partly

SATURDAY - Partly cloudy.

SATURDAY NIGHT - Partly

SUNDAY - Partly cloudy.

SUNDAY NIGHT - Partly

COLUMBUS DAY - Partly

MONDAY NIGHT - Partly

cloudy. Highs in the lower 70s.

cloudy. Lows in the lower 50s.

cloudy. Lows in the upper 40s.

cloudy with a 20 percent chance

of showers and thunderstorms.

Lows in the lower 50s.

Highs in the lower 70s.

Highs in the mid 70s.

cloudy. Lows around 50.

WEEKEND WEATHER FORECAST

# Bynum named WTAMU Homecoming King LEFT: Farrell Farley of



A&M University Saturday, October 2, 2004. BELOW: Tim Bynum gestures to family and friends as he and his mom are recognized during halftime festivities at the WTAMU vs. Midwestern State football

Amarillo and Timothy

Bynum of Spearman were

named Homecoming Queen

and King at West Texas

# Royalty Crowned at Homecoming Football Game

CANYON - Farrell D Farley of Amarillo and Timothy Neal Bynum of Spearman were named Homecoming Queen and King at halftime of the Buffs' football game against Midwestern State University on Saturday, Oct. 2.

Farley, a junior mass communications - broadcasting major, is the daughter of Mark and Deborah Farley. She was sponsored for Homecoming Queen by G-Force, a chartered student organization designed to raise community awareness about the benefits of higher education. Farley also is news director for campus radio station, KWTS-FM, a Maroon Productions intern, a New Student Conference leader and a member of President's Ambassadors.

Bynum, a senior agricultural



business and economics major, is the son of Kevin and Rhonda Bynum. He was sponsored by Phi Delta Theta, a social/service fraternity for which he previously served as president. Bynum was named Organization Student President of the Year for 2003-2004, and he presently serves as president of WTAMU's Interfraternity Council.

finalists Other

Homecoming Queen were Melissa Ann Flores, a senior nursing major from Muleshoe. and Melissa Kauk, a senior pre-physical therapy major from Odessa.

Other finalists Homecoming King were Trevor Adam Barnes, a junior criminal justice major from Hart, and Justin Michael Hancock, a senior general for studies major from Lubbock.



by Catherine R. Smith cathysmith@antden.com

My dear friend Janie Kunselman sent me the following article about Bounce dryer sheets. It lists some very interesting uses for the sheets.

Uses for Bounce dryer sheets
My mail carrier told me that the US Postal service sent out a message to all letter carriers to put a sheet of Bounce in their uniform pockets to keep yellow jackets away. Use them all the time when playing baseball and soccer. I use it when I am working outside. It really works. The yellow jackets just veer around you.

And all this time you've just been putting Bounce in the dryer!

It will chase ants away when you lay a sheet near them.

It also repels mice. Spread them around foundation areas, or in trailers, cars that are sitting and it keeps mice from entering your vehicle.

It takes the odor out of books and photo albums that don't get opened too often.

Repels mosquitoes. Tie a sheet of Bounce through a belt loop when outdoors during mosquito season.

Eliminates static electricity from your television (or computer) screen.

Since Bounce is designed to help eliminate static cling, wipe your television screen with a used sheet of Bounce to keep dust from resettling.

Dissolve soap scum from shower doors. Clean with a sheet of Bounce.

Freshen the air in your home. Place an individual sheet of Bounce in a drawer or hang in the closet. Put Bounce sheet in vacuum cleaner.

Prevent thread from tangling. Run a threaded needle through sheet of Bounce before beginning to sew.

Prevent musty suitcases. Place an individual sheet of Bounce inside empty luggage before storing.

Freshen the air in your car. Place a sheet of Bounce under the front seat.

Clean baked-on foods from a cooking pan.

Put a sheet in a pan, fill with water, let sit overnight, and sponge clean. The anti-static agent apparently weakens the bond between the food.

Eliminate odors in wastebaskets. Place a sheet of Bounce at the bottom of the wastebasket.

Collect cat hair. Rubbing the area with a sheet of Bounce will magnetically attract all the loose hairs.

Eliminate static electricity from Venetian blinds. Wipe the blinds with a sheet of Bounce to prevent dust from resettling.

Wipe up sawdust from drilling or sand papering. A used sheet of Bounce will collect sawdust like a tack cloth.

Eliminate odors in dirty laundry. Place an individual sheet of Bounce at the bottom of a laundry bag or hamper.

Deodorize shoes or sneakers. Place a sheet of Bounce in your shoes or sneakers overnight.

Golfers put a Bounce sheet in their back pocket to keep the bees away.

Put a Bounce sheet in your sleeping bag and tent before folding and storing them. Keeps them smelling fresh.

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:)



Got a cheer or a jeer? Have a suggestion for our community? A praise? A pet peeve? E-mail your brief comments to cathysmith@antden.com. Identities will not be revealed.

Opinions expressed in "Sound Off" are solely those of the person submitting them and do not necessarily represent views of this

Please submit brief comments, compliments and statements about matters of public concern. Opinions or comments that amount to personal attacks on individuals or businesses and messages that are deemed libelous or otherwise unfit for publication will not appear in this column.

Comments may be submitted by mail, e-mail or fax: Hansford County Reporter-Statesman, Attn: "Sound Off", 213 Main Street, Spearman, TX 79081; (806) 659-3368 - fax; cathysmith@antden.com.

Comments must include name and town. Identities will not be revealed of those submitting comments.

Attention Hansford County Residents:

If you are concerned or interested in returning Cheryl Sander to the management of the Dollar General Store in Spearman, please show your support by calling Dollar General's Corporate head-quarters at 615-855-4000.

Thank you, Rosemary McKee

We would like to take this opportunity to recognize a heroic event that happened in Spearman a few weeks ago.

Our local service representative from Business Hygiene in Amarillo was working her rounds in Spearman one Monday morning. Her name is Kelly, and she had just left Hansford Implement and was heading to H&H Water Well Service.

As she was walking out the door at H&H, her heart quit beating. (She had what they call "a sudden death episode.")

Thanks to the quick and professional response of one of our local firefighters, Ronnie Antalek, Kelly is alive today.

Ronnie was at H&H at the time and immediately started CPR. His heroic efforts kept Kelly, a 34-year-old mother of four, alive until the ambulance arrived to take over.

Our local EMS personnel performed as professionally and effi-ciently as Ronnie. After initial treatment at Hansford Hospital, Kelly was airlifted to a hospital in Amarillo and treated for a congenital heart arrhythmia.

We have spoken to her employers and her fellow employees who tell us that even her doctors in Amarillo are telling her that the gentleman who treated her at the scene initially is the person who saved her life.

After a few scary days, Kelly's condition finally stabillized. She is now recuperating her her home in Amarillo. Thanks to Ronnie Antalek, the H&S EMS and Hansford Hospital personnel, her children still have their mother with them today.

Ronnie, a personal note to you annd all your fellow volunteers: Thank you for your work! We are proud to have people like you in our community.

With much appreciation, Nikki Lozano and Diane Maxwell Hansford Implement Company

THANK YOU

The family of Evalee Sheets wishes thank to everyone for the many acts of kindness expressed to us in the loss of our loved one. Words cannot express the gratitude we have for the food, flowers, cards, visits, phone calls, many expressions of love and especially

Wylie Sheets and Family

THANK YOU

Thank you so much for all the wonderful things that you have done for us during this difficult time. All the cards, visits, food, flowers, prayers, and concern have been appreciated. this is a wonderful place to live.

Peggy Archer; Perry & Mary Dixon; Mike & Carla Johnson

THANK YOU

To the friends who worked so hard and put so much energy and effort into making one evening so special for us. The excellent food, great entertainment, and lots of fun and laughs was absolutely wonderful.

The McFarlin family sends to Donna & Randy (Rich) Hendrickson, The 19th Hole, Hansford Tourism Council, Herb Shields, Jim's Speedy Lube, Randy Davis, Palo Duro Supper Club-Ruth Jenkins, Don Clift & Texas Farms, Benny Wilson, Palo Duro Lake Authority, Coca Cola of Amarillo, United Supermarkets, Phil the New Zealander, Joe Hataway, The Sheriff's Association of Texas and to all the citizens of Hansford County our very special "Thank You" for an evening for us to remember. We want everyone to know that we appreciate your kindness, thoughtfulness, and generosity and we shall always remember our friends.

Sheriff R.L. & Kaye McFarlin Kellye McFarlin Cator & Family Robbie McFarlin Pulley & Family

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**Prairie Rivers Musical** 

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

**Breast Cancer Screening Clinic** 

The Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer Center Comprehensive Breast Center will conduct a Breast Cancer Screening Clinic at Hansford County Hospital, 707 S Roland, in Spearman on October 25, 2004. Breast cancer affects one in eight women. The key to winning the battle against cancer is early detection by having an annual breast exam, mammogram and performing a breast self-exam each month. Funding is available through the Texas Department of Health for Texas residents who qualify for assistance. All exams are done by appointment only. Call (806) 356-1905 or 1-800-377-4673 for more information or to schedule an appointment appointment.

Thriftshop Posts New Policy

Effective immediately, Hansford County Library has a policy barring children under 12 from the Thriftshop and the surrounding area outside. No strollers or buggies of any type are allowed in the Thriftshop. This policy is due to overcrowding in a small area and continuing discipling problems. We sake shappers to be considered. continuing discipline problems. We ask shoppers to be considerate of our volunteers as well as other shoppers and leave children under 12 at home.

Fundralser for Christ Redeemer Catholic Church
The Christo Redentor Catholic Church of Gruver is holding a drawing for a 2004 Chevy Aveo. Tickets are \$10 each, and all proceeds will benefit the Church. The drawing will be held on December 12, 2004. Tickets are available at Sergio's Body Shop, Annie's Fashions and Amigo's Cafe, or from any member of the Catholic Church. For more information, contact Norma Vargas at 659-2018.

Conversational Spanish for Beginners & Intermediate Level Beginners: Now you can learn basic phrases to converse with

fellow employees, neighbors, and acquaintances who speak Spanish. Returning elementary instructor, Dana Saylor, will guide you through the basics in acquiring this language. Intermediate Level: This course is designed for people who have a basic background in Spanish. (prerequisite - beginning conversational Spanish) It will also be taught by Dana Saylor. If you are interested in either of these classes, call Cindy Blackman, Community Resource Coordinator, at 659-3233 for more information. Days and times will be determined if the interest is there for a class. times will be determined if the interest is there for a class.

Intermediate-Advanced Microsoft Word Computer Class Have you ever wondered if there's more to word processing than just 'word processing?' There is! Come and learn to completely tailor MS Word to your needs and learn to make all of your word processing tasks easier and faster. (Prerequisite: Computer knowledge of MS Word and basic computer knowledge.) Call Cindy Blackman, Community Resource Program, 659-3233 to sign up for this class. Class time and determined if the interest in this class. Class time and dates will be determined if the interest is there for a class.

Benefit Fund Established for Denise Volden Wylie

Denise Volden White, a 1974 graduate of Spearman High School, has been diagnosed with a rare blood disease, Coproporphyria: This disease is life-threatening, and has already started to affect her liver and kidneys. Denise is being sent to the Mayo Clinic in Rochester, Minn. on October 4 to see if a cure can be found. Due to mounting medical bills, her family is asking friends and community members to donate anything they can to help. Donations may be made at First State Bank, or placed in containers located at Palo Duro Cafe, Allsup's and Dreamer's Beauty ers located at Palo Duro Cafe, Allsup's and Dreamer's Beauty

Are you interested in becoming a Catholic or learning more about the Catholic Church?

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA), Catholic inquiry class-

es, will begin soon. If you are interested, either Catholic or non-Catholic, and would like to participate in classes, please contact Davin Winger at 733-5259, Joe T. and Linda Venneman at 882-4635, or Diane McLain at 733-2860.

Rushing Wind Emmaus Community Gathering Rushing Wind Emmaus Community will be gathering on Saturday, October 9th at the Waka Christian Center. A pot luck din-

ner will begin at 6 p.m. A communion and worship service will fol-low at 7 p.m. Sponsors training will be held after that. Nursery will be provided. Anyone interested is invited to attend.

3rd Annual Buddy Walk is October 9th at Sam Houston Park
The Panhandle Down Syndrome Guild will host its 3rd annual
Buddy Walk at Sam Houston Park on Saturday, October 9th.
Registration is at 9 a.m. and the Walk begins at 10 a.m. The Buddy
Walk is an advocacy walk/party to celebrate October as National
Down Syndrome Awareness Month. The primary goals of the
Buddy Walk are to celebrate the lives of people with Down syndrome, promote acceptance and inclusion of people with Down
syndrome, and to raise funds for education, research and outreach
programs. This year's special guest is Chris Burke, an actor with
Down syndrome who played "Corky" on the hit TV series Life Goes
On, and his friends Joe and John DeMasi. The trio will entertain the
crowd by songs and the message of inclusion and acceptance.
Information: 654-5790 or 468-9088.

Wesley UMC hosts 24th annual Festival of Arts & Crafts The Wesley United Methodist Church in Hereford will be hosting ts 24th annual Festival of Arts and Crafts on December 4, 2004 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Community Center in Hereford. Only a limited number of booths are available, with applications being screened. The booth fee is \$10. Applications may be obtained by writing or calling any of the following: Ellen Collins, 801 Miles St., Hereford, TX 79045, (806) 364-0774; Janen Eggan, 126 Aspen, Hereford, TX 79045, (806) 364-5789; Wesley Methodist Church, PO Box 1743, Hereford, TX 79045, (806) 364-4419.

4-H Fun with Foods Project

Youth in 3rd grade and older may sign up now for the 4-H Fun with Foods project in October. Project meetings in Gruver will be held after school on Mondays at the Fellowship Hall of the Gruver Methodist Church. Project meetings in Spearman will be after school on Thursdays at the Fellowship Hall of the Spearman Church of Christ. Please call Peggy Winegarner at 659-4130 or 733-2901 to enroll 733-2901 to enroll.

4-H Smoked Meat Sale

4-H members across Hansford County (Spearman, Gruver & Morse) are selling smoked meats for their annual fund raising efforts. Products available include smoked & spiral hams, turkey peppered turkey breasts, smoked or peppered bacon, beef or chicken fajitas, chicken tenders, tamales, pork patties, breakfast burritos, Sausage, pecan pie, Hunters Package(sweet jalapeno flavored ham, peppered pork loin, smoked bacon & jalapeno summer sausage) and sausage links. Funds benefit the awards program and recognition banquet for all 4-H members. Orders must be received by October 19th, with a delivery date before Thanksgiving Please contact a 4-H member or call the County Extension Office 659-4130 or 733-2901 to place your order. If email would be easier hansford-tx@tamu.edu.

**Glamour Shots** 

Spearman High School Band is hosting a Glamour Shot sitting on November 6, 2004. For \$10 you can get a facial makeover and hair styling along with your choice of accessories and wardrobe plus a \$10 discount off any portrait package. They will make great Christmas gifts! Contact any band member or call the school at 659-2584 and leave a message for Anne Marie Holland or Sherrie Gwin. Proceeds from this fund raiser are going toward the Spring Trip for the band members.

**Enchilada Dinner** 

The Guadalupanas of the Sacred Heart Church is having an Enchilada Sale on October 22nd from 10:30 a.m.-2 p.m.. The plate includes three enchiladas, rice, beans and salad for \$7 each. Carry outs and deliveries are available. Please call 659-3841 to place your order, or go to the Sacred Heart Catholic Church at 901 S. Roland in Spearman.

5K Family Fun Walk/Run
The Gus Birdwell Elementary PTO is hosting a 5K Family Fun
Run/Walk on Saturday, October 9, 2004. The 5K run/walk will begin at 8:30 a.m. at Esca Park and will finish at the high school track The one-mile run/walk will be held at 9:30 a.m. at the high school track. Entry forms are available at Gus Birdwell Elementary School. For more information, contact Cindy Blackman at 659-3233.

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

October 7 Birthday - Rex Casdorph, Pat Dawson, David Miner, Juanita Herron, Kay Ivey, Juan Holgin, Julian David Rodriquez, Michael Cory Hendrick, Clara Gonazales, Wanda Arin, Kayla Carden,

Donald Lane Anniversary - M/M Rodney Dale Clawson

October 8 Birthday - Harvey Atwood, Candice Casdorph, Gary Evans, Amber Gross, Wilma Holland, Tambra Seal, Letha Stewart, Kimberly Wagoner, Debbie Avila, William Jarvis, Paulina Nava, JoAnn Eaton, Maria Wofford, Bert Gonzales, Kathy Gillispie,

Ella Raye Carter, Jill Hodge Anniversary - Darrel & Linda West, Mike & Pat Cudd

October 9 Birthday - Angie Lopez, Tammie Osbourne, Rhonda Ward, Rosa Rojas, Shea Crawford, Jerry Hunt, Monty Black, Betty Hazlewood, Joe Jr., Ronnie Archer McCammond, Chris Cummings, Suellen Dahl, Liz Lopez, Joyce Johnson, Mark Matthews

Anniversary - Steve & Sheri Benton, M/M David Armes

October 10 Birthday - Matthew Brown, Jake Barkley, Kim Blevins, Duncan, Rudolph, Darrell Scroggs, Sherri Cook, Don McLain, Molina, Moreno, Mindell, Gary Flowers, Maribel Darnell, Jesse Tindell, Cason Finley, McCaully Jo Hart, Verlin Hagerman, Lyn Woolley, Toby Thomas, Kevin Kenney

Anniversary - M/M Mario Molina, M/M Darrell Messer, M/M Randy Karlin

October 11 Birthday - Marco Favela, Kadie Grotegut, Rod Holland, George C. Lowe, Jim Ratliff, Eleanor Davis, Orville Latham, Steve Mathews, Sonny Nollner,

Kathy Lou Biggs, Sara Williamson, Jimmie Harris, Jim Ladd, Eddie Largent, Daniel Gonzales, Dick Smith, Jimmie Harris, Rosa Blan, Jason Blan, Adam Ferguson

Anniversary - M/M Del Roy Gammon

October 12 Birthday - Erica Alvarez,

Lee Bort, Sue Henson, Pat Holt, Jan Jarvis, Kathy Taylor, Lewis Frantz, James Reed Jr., Mendy Riggins, Misty Crooks, Danny Hamilton, Cody Mauldin, Marvin Byers, Louis Nava, Garrard, Jimmy Allen Howell, Paula Clemmons, Veronica Ceniceros, Donna Taylor, Jesus Briones

Anniversary - M/M Mack McLain, M/M Mike Yanke October 13

Birthday - Hunter Novak, Andrea Mires. David Grotegut, Carrie Close, Burnell Kjos, Mrs. Albert Hahn, Sonny Parker Anniversary - M/M Jon

Jarvis, M/M Don Evans

October 14 Birthday - Jerry Hunt, Jennifer Morris, Jeanne Swink, Crockett Tidwell, Kristi Pearson, Roy Lynn Garrard, Jesse Lyn Cowan, Jimmy Snider, Melinda Davis, Michelle Graham Foster, Kyla Nelson Sell, Bert Sheppard, Eddie Whitefield, Gilbert Salgado, Anthony Bravo, Jim Brown, Sue White, Monty George, Charline Laxson, Carlos Trejo, Adrienne Simpson

Wofford October 15

Anniversary - M/M Bert

Birthday - Jess Wood, Jeffrey Miller, David Martin, Billy Martin, Verna Lee Shirley, Brandi Schneider, Chris Hornsby, Ann Martin, Martha Donahue, Anne Marie Pearson, Bonnie Woolan, Randy Janzen, Joe Garcia III, Allen Varnon,

Betsy Holt, Allen Varnon

Anniversary - M/M Odell
Genn, M/M Lee Nichols,
M/M Mike Stedje, M/M David
Miner, M/M Tim Fletcher

October 16 Birthday - Buster Davis, Troy Miller, Tammy Benton, Virginia Fowler, Sammy Graham, Ann Pearson, Lola Newcomb, Joey Avila, James Riley, Landree Woodward, Julie Payne, Meghan Stork

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Boss's Day - October 16th

# OBITUARIES This week in history

submitted by Virginia Scott

1492 - Christopher Columbus, an Italian explorer, arrived in the New World! On August 2, 1492 Columbus set sail from the Spanish port called Palos. He had 120 men and three ships under his command. The ships names were the Pinta, the Nina, and Santa Maria. He landed on Watling Island in the Bahamas on October 12, 1492. He went on to travel to Cuba after landing in the Bahamas.

1822 - Rutherford B. Hayes, the nineteenth President of the US, is born in Delaware, Ohio. Hayes was known in some quarters as His Fraudulency.

1830 - Chester A. Arthur, twenty-first president of the US is born in Fairfield, Vermont.

1845 - The United States Naval Academy opened in Annapolis, Maryland. The Naval Academy is a four year school that some members of the navy attend after finishing high school. They receive a college degree and train aboard ships each summer.

1865 - The nation's first working underground oil pipeline is completed between Oil Creek and Pithole, Pennsylvania. 1866 - The nation's first train robbery gang, the four Reno

Brothers (a fifth was never involved), commit their first recorded stickup when they open two safes and take \$13,000 from a moving Ohio & Mississippi Railway train.

1871 - A fire breaks out in a barn belonging to Patrick O'Leary of Chicago and spread quickly through the city. The blaze eventually burned through 2,000 acres and destroyed the downtown area, including the Palmer House, which advertised itself as "the only fireproof hotel in the world". Nearly one third of the city's 300,000 residents were left homeless and 300 people were killed.

1917 - Clarence Saunders of Memphis, owner of a grocery called Piggly Wiggly, is granted a patent for his self-service method of operation, which anticipates the supermarket.

1922 - Mrs.W.H. Felton of Georgia is appointed U.S. senator to serve out the term of a deceased incumbent. The appointment makes her the nation's first female member of the Senate, although her term lasted only one day.

1927 - The first widely seen talking movie, The Jazz Singer, loosely based on the life of its star, Al Jonson, has its premiere in 1942 - The first group of WAVES (Women Appointed for

Volunteer Emergency Services) reports for training at Smith College. 1947 - Fighter pilot Captain Chuck Yeager broke the sound barrier, which means that he was able to fly a rocket plane faster than the speed of sound. Up until that time, many pilots believed that man was not meant to fly faster than the speed of sound. Fighter

pilot Chuck Yeager broke the sound barrier when flying the Bell X-

1 rocket plane "Glamorous Glennis". This accomplishment is

known as the world's first supersonic flight. 1953 - Earl Warren, Republican governor of California, is sworn in as Chief Justice of the Supreme Court.

1964 - Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., the African-American civil rights leader, was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize on October 14, 1964. His acceptance speech was given at a ceremony the following December in Oslo, Norway. Dr. King donated the award, which was thought to be worth \$54,600 to the civil rights movement.

INA FAYE HULCY SOAPES

GRUVER - Ina Faye Hulcy Soapes, 88, died Thursday, Sept. 30, 2004.

Services were at 4 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 2, 2004 in First Christian Church with the Rev. Gary Gumfory officiating. Burial was in Gruver Cemetery by Boxwell Brothers Funeral Home of Spearman.

Mrs. Soapes was born in Elbert on Nov. 12, 1915. She lived in Gruver for the past 53 years. She married Clyde N. Soapes in 1933 in Olney. She was a homemaker and a member of First Christian Church of Gruver.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Elonzo and Sara Bryant Hulcy; her husband in 1998; a son, Clyde Norman Soapes; and a daughter, Debra Lynn Soapes.

Survivors include a son, Jessie Neal Soapes of Mountain Home, Ark.; two daughters, Alice Fay Peddy of Gruver and Brenda Crowley of Amarillo; two sisters, Mary Shirley of Estancia, N.M., and Naoma Chambers of Arnett, Okla.; 16 grandchildren; 20 greatgrandchildren; and several great-great-grandchildren.

The family suggests memorials be to First Christian Church, P.O. Box 458, Gruver, TX 79040.

JAMES MICHAEL SCROGGS

James Michael Scroggs, 41 of Amarillo died Sunday October 3, 2004.

Services are scheduled for 11:00 a.m. Friday, October 8, 2004 at Boxwell Brothers Ivy Chapel, 2800 Paramount with Jim Fox, Pastor of Hillcrest Baptist Church officiating. Burial will be in Memorial Park Cemetery. Arrangements are by Boxwell Brothers Funeral Directors.

James was born April 24, 1963 in Spearman. He married his wife Sherri on December 31,

He was very proud of his family and would help anyone. James was an avid fisherman

and loved to ride motorcycles. He was a member of Hillcrest Baptist Church. He worked as a draftsman in architecture. His brother, David Vance Scroggs preceded him in death.

Survivors include his wife, a son David Scroggs and two daughters Heather Scroggs and Jensin Scroggs all of the home; his mother and step-dad Francis and Don Pond of Monkey Island, OK; father and step-mom James and Marilyn Scroggs of Spearman and a sister Deatta Sparks of Spearman.



Why: Meet & Greet Shindig When: October 12th, 5-6:30 p.m. Where: O'Loughlin Center, **Blodgett Room** 

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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. nister - Leonard Harper

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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 - Derrel Evins

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 - 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 Service: 7:30 Wed.

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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. Youth: 7:30, Sunday Adult Bible Study: 7:30, Sun. Wed. Bible Study: 8:00 p.m. Pastor - Gary Gumfory

**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 - George Price

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 339-7709 Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Worship: 11 a.m. Pastor - Paul Fiske

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Waka Church of the Brethren

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Morse Baptist Church Pastor - Mike Martin

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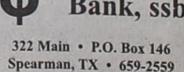
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informative program beginning

There will also be several

For more information, con-

tact Gruver Schools Counselor

Lions Club hosts guests

Grotegut were the special

guests of the Gruver Lions Club

Sergio Cruz and the October

student of the month will be the

guests for the October 20 meet-

Students volunteer

for Manor foliage tour

teers will escort Hansford

Manor residents on a fall

foliage tour to Canadian,

Basketball scrimmage nears

ketball scrimmage of the season

The Lady Hounds first bas-

Monday, October 18.

Gruver High School volun-

at the October 6th meeting.

ing of the group.

Cass Cooper and Laina

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"hands on" activities for partic-

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at 8:30 a.m. until 3:00 p.m.

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## Hansford County

Picture This!
The Hansford County
Reporter-Statesman would like
to take this opportunity to recognize Kimberly Irwin and
Mandy Derington.

Through the school year, it is often difficult to be at the right place at the right time to take a picture of students who excel.

Gruver teacher Kimberly Irwin and Spearman teacher Mandy Derington are often called upon to take pictures in our stead. They are always most cooperative and willing to help. They have been known to take pictures on their own time, beyond the school day.

Sometimes we fail to give them the recognition and appreciation they deserve.

For their service to the Hansford County Reporter-Statesman and Gruver and Spearman students, we salute Kimberly Irwin and Mandy Derington.

Senior Livestock Judging

Senior Livestock Judging team won the competition. Bailey Reid placed 2nd, Tucker Williams placed 4th and Clete Vanderburg placed 9th overall high individual. Team was Austin Benton, Bailey Reid, Clete Vanderburg and Tucker Williams, Also judging was Casey Cator, Jimmilee McCloy and Eva McCloy.

Junior Livestock Judging team placed 4th overall. Dakota Cator placed 9th overall high individual. Team was Cody Benton, Dakota Cator, Matthew Jarvis and Will Shields. Also judging were Hali Mans and Brenna Reid

Malory Martin showed a swine.

Tracy Brown showed 2 steers placing 2nd and 4th. Lieb showed 2 steers, Audrey placed 4th and Jacob placed 8th.

Sheep were shown by Tabatha Shields which placed 2nd and 8th and Tara Shields placed 8th and 11th.

Pampa Rodeo results

Hansford County youth had numerous placings at the Pampa Rodeo, September 25.

Cass Cooper captured first place in calf roping on Saturday with a time of 11.08 while Seth Clemmons took fifth place with 15..24.

The team of Cooper and Clemmons also placed fifth in team roping with a time of 11:41. the team of Brian Johnson and Clay Taylor was tenth with a 19.08.

Jessica Schmidt was third in goat tying with a time of 9.74.

Rachelle Holt was first in pole bending with a 20.90 time, second in breakaway roping with a 4.94, seventh in barrel racing with a 17.054, and fourth in goat tying with a 10.86.

The contestants will be competing at the tri state rodeo in Gruver on Saturday.

Bands compete in contests
Both the Spearman High

School Band and the Gruver High School Band will be competing at the district marching contest, October 16, at Dick Bivins Stadium in Amarillo.

Competition times have yet to be announced.

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Rodeo set for weekend
A tri state high school rodeo
will be be held at the Gruver
Rodeo Arena, Saturday,
October 9.

District cross country meets approaching

Spearman and Gruver High Schools cross country teams will be competing at their district cross country meets this month.

The Gruver thinclads will compete Monday, October 18, at Thompson Park in Amarillo while Spearman runners will compete Monday, October 25, at the Canadian Golf Course.

### Trick or Treat

Trick or treating for both Gruver and Spearman has been set for Saturday evening, October 30.

Gruver's Halloween Carnival will be also be held Saturday night.

Little goblins and spooks are requested to do their trick or treating early to enable all to attend the Halloween Carnival.

Juniors to take PSAT

Junior students in both Gruver and Spearman will be taking the Preliminary Scholastic Ability Test (PSAT) Wednesday, October 13.

### Hansford Hero

Do you know a local hero—a person who is seeking to improve the quality of life, safety and/or environment of others? The Hansford County Reporter-Statesman is calling on people to nominate a hero they know in our search for and celebration of everyday heroes.

Why does your nominee deserve a Hansford Hero? What did he or she do to help others or make the world a better place? (100 words or less)

Where and when did your nominee's accomplishment take place? If you are nominating this person for something he or she did while on-the-job, please explain how your nominee's action went beyond his or her regular job description. (50 words or less)

What inspired your hero to help others? Is there anything else we should know about your nominee that will help us evaluate his/her contribution? (50 words or less)

# Spearman

Blood Drive

On Tuesday, October 12 Coffee Memorial Blood Center will be participating in the Spearman Health Fair to be held at the O'Loughlin Center from 8:00 am - 2:00 pm.

All blood types are needed and we encourage donors to call the Blood Center, 1-800-658-6178 to schedule an appointment.

A new process will be in place where the donor is responsible for filling out the donor history card (DHC) themselves. They will then be seen by a phlebotomist who will go over the DHC to ensure that all questions have been answered. They will also check blood pressures, temperatures and hemoglobin levels before a donor will be allowed to donate. If you have any questions, please call 1-800-658-

6178. WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU AT THE HEALTH FAIR!!

Summer basketball

Nine 7th grade girls from Spearman participated in five basketball tournaments this summer. The team, sponsored by Frank and Lucy Pittman, was coached by David and Sandy Johnson and Keilee Goodheart.

This team of girls traveled throughout the summer to Panhandle, TX, Garden City, KS, Liberal, KS, Woodward, OK, and Dodge City, KS, playing a total of 28 games with a win-loss record of 17-11. They finished 3rd in the Garden City tournament and 2nd in their final tournament in Dodge City.

Team members Cha'tae Avila, Ashley Close, Courtney Chambers, Chasity Thomas, Vicky Renteria, Haley Smith, Bond Pittman and Crystal Thomas would like to say "thank you" to their sponsors and coaches for a great summer, and for helping them become a closer and stronger team of girls.

Lonestar Twisters

The Lonestar Twisters teams ended their 2003-2004 season of competition by competing in the Junior Olympic National Trampoline and Tumbling competition in Tampa Bay, Florida.

The Lonestar Twisters competed in two eligibility meets and two qualifying meets this past winter and spring with hopes of making it to nationals.

The first qualifying meet was the state meet in Levelland, TX, May 1, and the second qualifying meet was the regional meet in Tulsa, OK June 11-13.

Nine athletes from the Lonestar Twisters team qualified for Nationals; Channing Burgess, Leilani Carrassco, Destiny Fisher, Gately Garnett, Bond Pittman, Kane Pittman, Ashley Williams, Carson Williams, and Shelby Williams. Seven of the nine athletes traveled to Florida in July to

School slates holiday Spearman students and teach-

ers will enjoy a fall break, Monday, October 11. School will resume at the

School will resume at the usual time on Tuesday, October

Picture retakes schedule
Retakes of student pictures
are slated for Thursday,

October 14.

Pre-game meals planned
The Spearman High School
Band will host a Mexican Pile
On Meal, Friday, October 15 in
the school cafeteria, beginning
at 5:00 p.m.

FCCLA will host its annual potato supper Friday, October 29, in the high school cafeteria, beginning at 5:00 p.m.

Choir contest, concert set
Junior high choral students
will compete in regional competition Saturday, October 16,
in Amarillo.

A fall choir concert will be presented by the junior high and high school choirs Tuesday, October 19, in the SHS auditorium.

A junior high regional choir clinic and concert will be held October 30, at the Civic Center in Amarillo.

Fifth quarters to host students

The Union Church will host the high school fifth quarter, following the football game, October 16.

The Methodist Church will host the fifth quarter October 29.

Financial aid workshop A financial workshop for SHS seniors will be Tuesday, October 26, at 6:30 p.m. in the school auditorium.

Community care concerns

Bill Sparks underwent a procedure in Lubbock Wednesday to remove basal cancer cell from his ear

# Gruver

Beat the Elks week underway
The Greyhounds hope to be
the second Hansford County
team to defeat the Stratford
Elks as they meet the Elks
Friday night in the first district
game of the season.

Gruver fans are urged to wear red and black and arrive early for the 7:30 contest at Stratford to cheer the fighting Gruver Greyhounds. on.

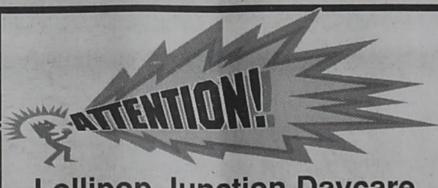
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for

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Scholarship workshop slated will be Saturday, October 30.

Renner pictured

in Amarillo paper
Ross Renner, a member of the Amarillo Police
Department, was pictured in the Amarillo Globe News, last week as he investigated a murder in the city.

Greyhounds mentioned in Amarillo column

The Greyhound football team and their success was the subject of a Amarillo Globe News sports column last week.

Pictures of running backs Brock Irwin and Tyler Lane accompanied the article.

Condolences extended

Gruver is mourning the loss of two lovely ladies of our community.

Memorial services for Ina Soapes were held Saturday, October 2, while memorial services for Merle Arthur were held Tuesday, October 6.

Sympathy is extended to the families of the two ladies who contributed so much to our community.

The memorial services for Spearman resident Evalee Sheets were held Thursday, October 7, in Gruver.

# Texas crop and weather report

The following specific livestock, crop and weather conditions were reported by Panhandle Extension directors: Soil moisture is short to surplus with most areas reporting adequate. Temperatures were below average; overnight lows were in the upper 30s. Some rain fell early in the week with amounts ranging to more than 5 inches. Corn harvest was slowed by wet fields; good yields have been reported. Sorghum continues to mature, but for good progress warmer weather is needed. Harvest was just getting under way before being stopped by rain. Cotton bolls continue to open, but maturation is being slowed by below-average temperatures. Range conditions are rated fair to good.



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who's 50?
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# Bridal Registry

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October 16th

Bridal Registry

Couples Currently Registered

Emily DeLaGarza Bowers & John Bently - Oct. 30 Lacey Miesner & Stephen Salgado - Nov. 6 Jennifer Carter & Sammy Renteria - Nov. 20 Jennifer Revercomb & Will Evans - Nov. 20

Lindsay (Korell) & Robert V. Schnell Emily (Ramirez) & Valentin Macias Jenny (Diaz) & Eduardo Hernandez Laura (Pearson) & Jason Whitson Marsha Brown & Jason Swink



# by Dorothy Hudson At The Lake



A bat is seen clinging upside down to the intake structure on Horse Creek.

Lake Level--October 4, 2004--33.43 feet (-0.25)

Jim and Mandy had a brief trip to Lubbock over the weekend to be entertained by grandson Grason.

The Jack Test group from Guymon with 3 RVs came down for the weekend. They camped on the south side and 2 other campers were on the north side.

The eagles don't usually appear until November. Water fowl is still not showing up, but this is a serene time to visit the Park to watch for fall changes.

The Alamo Ranch

When I checked to see when Huff, Mel, and Frank Wright were being awarded the school sections (the even numbers), I found most of them were dated in 1898 with a few 1900. Some of these sections had been leased from the State of Texas in 1891 by the Dutchess Cattle Company or by Wilson and Shavallia. This made me wonder what went on in the north east part of the county before Huff Wright ever thought of the

Alamo Ranch.

We could start With the Rifle Pits dug in the early winter of 1869 and move on to the Fort Dodge, Kansas road to Fort Bascom in eastern New Mexico that later was shortened to the Tascosa Trail. This road was mentioned in Jim Cator's Memoirs. He and Bob were on it in 1873. The big dugout at the Rifle Pits became a stopping place in the area, It was run by Snake Thompson as a road ranch for awhile. In 1881 the 777 Ranch formed by Berry and Boice used it as a temporary headquarters before they built the sod or adobe structure that still stands north of the dam on the Buschman ranch.

Remember this was open range country, and cattle from other ranches were using the grass, but I think the 777 Ranch (also called the Rifle Pits Ranch) was the first big ranch headquartered in the area. When it sold out in 1885, Tom Hungate bought the improvements, and I think called his ranch the Dutchess.

At some point the State forced the ranchers to lease the school land that they had been using free. Tom had been leasing the land until Huff and his relatives filed on it. He was still there on his ranch in 1900 when the Census was taken. Later he moved and said something about getting far enough away that Huff Wright wouldn't get

Tom died in California in 1913 of blood poisoning. Several episodes from his life would have fit in a John Wayne

by Merry Sparks

If you read this column each week you will see the co-operation of the entire community working together to honor our fathers and mothers. That is such a core value that we in this area share and you can tell by all of the different names listed (and don't forget the ones not listed-sorry if I leave anyone out- it is bound to happen but you know who you are- and I hope that you know that we appreciate each one of you) This is such a giving and respectful community and I appreciate you all. Our youth is one of our most promising resources but our elders are our secret weapons. They have the experience of long lives to draw from. THANK YOU ONE AND ALL!

The Methodist Church of Spearman brought church to the Manor on the 29th. Thank you so much!

Monday morning heralded in an interesting Newscurrents program. The elders that live here are still very much involved in the events of the current times. Many vote and certainly many have opinions based on their experiences and are well able to swing a vote around here.

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Many good pointers are shared during these meetings on handling some of life's difficult situations and people and the residents have good pointers to share also.

THANK YOU to the Lion's Club for hosting bingo and THANK YOU to the honor students for helping.

Tuesday started off hopping with a fun and beneficial exercise program. We try to keep all of our body parts moving. It has also been proven that exercise reduces the pain of arthritis and many other debilitating ailments. It sure keeps us limbered up and the music is fun and live-

The afternoon was spent in Resident Council. We had a very large crowd and a good meeting. It was voted on and passed that the residents would adopt a military person that is currently serving in Iraq and send them cards, cookies (made by the residents of course) and whatever else they can think of. Viola Boyd was elected the Resident of the Month and John Harper was elected the CNA of the Month.

We were thankful to have Anne Whitaker leading Bible The afternoon was spent in study Wednesday morning. It is

painting on different projects. Some decorations for fall, some ceramics, some decorations for the bulletin board.

Thursday morning was spent with wonderful music and rockin to the rhythm of the bands. We passed out instruments and did musical exercises to fun music. EVERYONE here derives a benefit from the music! It just spreads joy up and

down the halls. The afternoon was spent playing bingo hosted by the very faithful auxiliary. THANK

The afternoon was spent YOU to the auxiliary for all that you do.

> Friday morning we used the parachute to exercise with. That will certainly stretch you out!!

> The afternoon was spent together in the living room listening to old tapes from the old radio shows. Amos & Andy and Jack Benny. I could tell as I watched the residents gathered around a radio listening to these tapes from yesteryear that it was bringing back many memories of their younger days before television. We all enjoyed it.

# Come play at Gruver's **Big Boy Toy Show**

by Harletta Carthel

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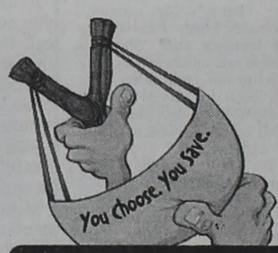
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Lynxettes win

# Cat fight decides district top dog

by Harletta Carthel

In a roller coaster game, the Spearman Lynx lost a thriller 21 -28 to district rival Canadian, Friday night.

Like the amusement park ride, the Lynx were up seven in the first quarter, tied in the second quarter, down by 14 in the third quarter, and up again by seven in the fourth quarter, before a last minute Canadian touchdown brought the ride to a screeching halt.

The Lynx's first quarter lead on the state's fifth ranked Wildcats came on a one-yard run by quarterback Collin Gillaspie.

That lead vanished in the second period when Canadian sprinter Tony Livingston evened the score on a 13 yards pass from Bryant Brock.

The Wildcat scoring blitz would put two more touchdowns on the board before half, one on a 10 yard run by Logan Baker and one on a 22 yard pass reception by Livingston.

In the spirit that knocked off number-one ranked Stratford three weeks previous, the Lynx went on their own scoring binge early in the fourth period. With a drive highlighted by a 32-yard Clete Vanderburg run and a 18 yard pass from Collin Gillaspie to Jarrick Howard, Brock Town took scoring honors on a oneyard run.

Moments later, Lynx Kylie McGaha recovered his second fumble of the game to give the Lynx a scoring opportunity at the Canadian 16. With Town carrying for six, Spearman tied Collin Gillaspie 7 for 7.

the game with a Gerardo Ruiz kick at 7:20 in the final period.

Canadian's winning score came in the 3:40 mark in the fourth period. The score was sparked by a Livingston 40 yard return on the punt.

"He (Livingston) got to the ball and burned us,:" Coach Ric Smith said. "I was concerned about their speed, and it showed up on that play."

Smith first thought the punt would be deep in Canadian territory and would go out of bounds near the 15 yard line. But Livingston was able to snag the ball for his first return of the

The Wildcats were able to convert two third-down plays with runs of 11 and 9 yards to keep the game-winning drive alive.

The Lynx fall to 1 and 1 in district while Canadian stays perfect at 2/0 with four district games remaining.

The Lynx will have an open date before traveling to meet winless Boys Ranch. October

"The Lynx played hard against Canadian. Hopefully, we will learn from the game and be more prepared in future games to take advantage of opportunities to win," Coach Smith said. "We will use the open date to heal up and get back to basic techniques and fundamentals."

Leading Rushers - Brock Town 12 carries for 39 yards, Clete Vanderburg 15 for 74,

Leading Receivers - Caleb Gillaspie 4/39, Jarrick Howard 1/18, Brock Town 1/14

Game at a Glance

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First downs	11	13
Yards rushing	120	106
Yards Passing	60	93
Total Yards	186	207
Com/Att/Int	6/14/2	6/12/0
Punts/ Avg	4/32.5	
Fumbles/ lost	1/1	5/2
Penalties/ Yards	1/15	3/26

Players of the Week

Offense - Clete Vanderburg, 207 lb. senior fullback, who scored 94" on film grade. Rushed for 74 yards on 15 carries; Caleb Gillaspie, 175 lb. senior receiver, who scored 85% on film grade, caught four passes for 39 yards.

Defense - Wayne Gibson, 220- lb. senior lineman, who had two unassisted tackles and nine assisted tackles; Collin Gillaspie, 189 lb. sophomore secondary who had three unassisted tackles and three assisted tackles.

# College news

University of Phoenix

The University of Phoenix is proud to announce that Stacie Lynn Armes of Gruver has been awarded a Bachelor of Science in Information Technology. Commencement ceremonies were held in Phoenix on July 23, 2004.

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Rico, and Canada, or solely via the Internet at the University's Online Campus.

**University of Houston** Sonya Salgado Jensen, daughter of Gilbert and Ernestina Salgado, was awarded a Bachelor of Science degree in Political Science from the University Houston. of Downtown on August 7, 2004. Sonya is a member of the International Honor Society, Pi Gamma Mu.

Oklahoma Panhandle **State University** 

The Teacher Education Program at Oklahoma Panhandle State University prepares future teachers for public schools.

This semester, 20 OPSU students are ready to complete their program of study culminating with a 12-week internship of student teaching. The interns reported to their respective schools on September 20th, and are teaching in areas including elementary education, business, English, agriculture education, and health and physical

The interns will return to the OPSU campus November 1st for their mid-term seminar and will complete their internship on December 10th.

Erika Stedje will serve her internship at Gruver Elementary, working with first grade students.

third straight CC meet The Spearman Lynxettes

added another laurel Saturday with their win the Canadian Cross Country Meet.

The Lynxettes with 33 points bested Borger with 56 points and Panhandle 72.

Runners, their times, and placings are 1. Christy Lang 11:31, 2. Tara Shields 11:37, 3. Melissa Lesly 11:42, 15. Tab Shields 12;17, 16 Jessica Diaz 12:19, 20 Macy Harbour 12:24, 21 Sonny Parker 12;25, 27 Rossilyn Bulls 12:34. 32 :Lindsey Short 12:51.

In the junior varsity girls division, Spearman placed second with 47 points behind Borger with 29 points.

Runners were: 2. Amy Brown 12:27, 5. Amy Boyd 12:49, 10 Aleisha Sweat 13:07, 11 Tonya Hart 13;11, 23 Caitlyn Garcia 14:17, 25. Tarryn Dixon 14:39, 29 Mallory Paul 15:02.

The junior high girls won first place with 88 points just better than Panhandle with 93 points.

Runners were 3. Leanna Espinosa 12:06, 16. Bond Pittman 13:10, 18 Sutton Garnett 13;13, 22 Courtney Chambers 13;30, 25 Preslee Baker 13:42, 31 Julie Diaz 13:42, 38 DD DeLa Rosa 13:56, 41 Destiny Fisher 14:24, 56 Chastity Thomas 14:37 59 Vicki Renteria 14:40

Junior varsity boys and their times were 2. Osvaldo Lomeli 17:42, 3. Daniel Kern 18:16, 4. Xavier Fryer 18:23.

The cross country teams will enjoy an open week before running October 16 at Canyon where the junior high girls will run at 8:15 a.m.., the junior varsity girls at 9:05 a.m., the varsity girls at 9:30 and the junior varsity boys at 10:20 a.m.

# **Gruver CC takes fourth**

Running at the Sunray Cator Classic Saturday, the Gruver girls cross country team placed fourth with 109 points behind Dumas with 35, Stratford with 49, and White Deer with 88.

Runners, their times, and placings were: 13. Jessica Schmidt, !3.45, 17 Liz Lopez, 13:53, 24. Laci Fitzgearld 14:19, 35 Abbi Yanke 14:40, and 39 Eva McCloy, 14:58.

Junior varsity girls and their times were Emily Williams, 17::08, Kailee Reed 17:47.

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In the varsity boys division Hugo Chavira placed 24th in the three- mile run with 17:24.

Placing seventh in the junior high girls division, Gruver runners were 41 Mattie Yanke 17:07, 43 Katie Gibson 17:17, 51 Shaney Collier 18:02, 54 Lindsey Mireles 18:05, 56 Leigh Anne Winger 18:21, 59 Miranda Baird 18:31, and 60 Devlin Reynolds 18:38.

Drew Mireles placed 13th in the junior high boys division with a 13:38.

# Longoria receives scholarship through Big Brothers Big Sisters

Spearman High School gradu- this third year of the program. reliable transportation and be ate, was awarded a \$250 schol- Longoria was one of six high able to meet weekly with a child arship from Big Brothers Big school students who served as from August through May. The Sisters.

Longoria has been a volunteer mentor in the Bigs in Schools program Spearman Elementary for the last two years. Bigs in Schools is the school-based mentoring program of BBBS. Her first match was with a kindergartner and when he moved away she was matched with a Little Sister in second grade. "Emily is kind and nice," her Little Sister Katy said. "I liked playing basketball with her."

"Emily has been a responsible, creative volunteer who has formed a special relationship with her Little Sister," Kimberley Lopez, local agency case manager said. "She is a positive role model and a caring friend to this child. They have both been influenced by this experience. We are pleased to award her with this scholarship and wish her well."

"The most rewarding thing about being a mentor to each of these children was creating a close bond with a child who needed someone to give them undivided attention. I will walk away from this experience having the satisfaction that I have helped make a difference in children's lives," Longoria said.

Longoria will attend Dallas Baptist University in the Fall. "Being a mentor has actually been a major reason why I have chosen to become an elementary school teacher," she added.

Nineteen students were matched in Spearman's elemen-

Emily Longoria, recent tary and junior high schools in housewives are eligible), have Big Brothers and Sisters to the enrollment process includes a children. Bigs spend between 30 and 45 minutes with their Littles playing games, talking, reading or doing arts and crafts. Matches meet once a week during the school day and don't have contact outside of school.

Adult mentors are needed. They must be at least 18, have a full time job (retired people and

background investigation. Orientation and training sessions will be held this summer for volunteers who will participate in next year's Bigs in Schools program. Those interested in finding out more may call Lopez toll free at 877-716-3424 or Cindy Blackman at 659-3233.

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By Patrick Jordan

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- sound of, as a trumpet
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39. Good waiter's

reward

56. See 16-Across

57. Flattens a fly

58. Buffalo bunch

furniture

company

60. Kind of machine

in a casino

61. You hear here

63. Lipton product

62. Pub order

59. Swedish

54. Work very hard

by Baxter Black, DVM What is it about my local paper that I love?

It's called the News-Sun and lists the communities it serves under the masthead; the largest, population 3,500, the smallest, 200, if that. It comes out every Wednesday and high school students sell it in front of the post office. Or, you can buy it at Safeway, the only grocery store and the busiest place in town. We subscribed the year before

we moved to the community. We read about our future neighbors, the real estate ads, city politics, parades, school activities and the antics of local char-

"Letters to the Editor" was my favorite part of the paper then. It still is today.

Ironically it was carrying my weekly column, but when we moved here it discontinued it! It was a relief, actually. The column is published nationally and written with a 'broad stroke.' However when your next-door neighbor or Sunday School teacher thinks it only runs locally, they suspect you of pretending grandiosity. The compensa-tion was that the closest big-city paper (many thousands circulation) picked it up.

My local paper takes itself seriously. The bulk of the news stories from "Crash on the Highway" to "Top Grads Recognized" are done by the editor and one busy reporter. They are skilled writers and circumspect about not flavoring the news with "news analysis." "Just the facts, ma'am, just the facts."

Small town papers often thrive because CNN or The New York Times are not going to scoop them for coverage of the "VFW Fish Fry," "Bridge Construction Delay," or local boys and girls playing baseball, receiving scholarships, graduating, getting married or going off to war.

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Letters to the editor

Is it accurate to say that I really "love" my local paper?

Well, it's not quite the proper word, but ... I can't think of a better one.

BAXTER BLACK is a syndicated columnist. Reprinted with permission of the author.

Dear Editor,

A while back, when the United States was trying to convince the United Nations to act against Saddam Hussein and Iraq, due to their weapons of mass destruction and potential to harm the world, I warned in a letter to the editor that the United States must not react alone against the United Nations opinion. President, George Bush had his first of two meetings with the Pope, John Paul II, and the Pope warned Bush NOT to go to war; and, I said that the Pope may know something that Bush did not know about the future.

The President has had his second meeting with the Pope, and while I do not know what was said, I do know that 10 billion dollars and over a thousand lives have been spent by the United States, and at what cost?

They show we care. They wear There were no weapons of mass destruction, and Iraq is on the verge of total chaos and civil war. All it would take would be a stone against their religious beliefs. We, meanwhile, must sit here totally embarrassed with Britain over our failures, and hope that nothing happens to totally destroy our credibility in the Mid-east, which is what is happening.

Bush is an idiot. And he is going to win the election anyway. And the United States is going to go down the tubes in the eyes of the world as a nation of idiots, who are our leaders. Kerry is 13 percentage points behind tonight as I type this, in a poll which really means nothing, except that he doesn't have the capability of being better than Bush. We have only ourselves to blame.

Get down on your knees and pray that someone, perhaps a lady like Elizabeth Dole, or Condoleezza Rice, will emerge in 2008, to get us back on track. Will we ever have the respect we had a half century ago, before Korea, before Vietnam, before Iraq, before ??? (what the Pope may know)?

**Bob Bort** 

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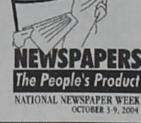
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by Rose Rennekamp

College Success 101: from Orientation to Graduation

"I can't afford it anymore." "I'm just tired of school."

"It's a lot harder than I expected."

These are just some of the reasons why students drop out of college. When they do, they waste thousands of dollars in tuition money?and forgo money they could have earned in the future if they had a college degree.

Less than 75% of college freshmen return to the same school for their sophomore year, according to ACT research. What's worse, the U.S. Department of Education says that less than 65% of students who enroll as freshmen actually earn a degree within six

With thousands of students heading to college this month, what can parents do to help their college students succeed?

First, realize that it's almost entirely up to the students themselves. Parents can provide lots of encouragement and guidance, but for the first time in most of their lives, college marks a time when students will have to learn how to make it on their own.

That said, chances are that at least some of the money going to pay for tuition is coming from you, the parent. You have a vested interest in seeing that student through to graduation. So, make sure that they know what will make it more likely for them to succeed once they move out of your house and on to campus.

Getting involved. From intramural sports to the campus newspaper to fraternities and sororities, getting involved on campus means students will meet more people with the same interests or major. Groups closely aligned with students' majors can introduce them to students who are a few years ahead of them, full of advice about which classes they need, which professors are good, and

Going to class. Many students make the mistake of thinking that just because they enroll in a large lecture class, it doesn't matter if they show up. That's not necessarily true. Professors often explain topics in different ways than a textbook's authors, and they often highlight topics in their lectures that will show up on tests?things that students won't get from just keeping up on the reading.

Finding a good place to study. It's important to figure out where is the best, most effective place to study. More than a third of this year's college freshmen who took the ACT said they need help with study skills, math skills or writing skills. While some students love the silence and solitude at the library, others learn better by meeting with other students and studying in a group. It doesn't matter how students study?just that they do it.

Getting to know professors and advisors. Professors and advisors can be a lifeline when problems arise. Getting to know them one-on-one can help a student not only feel connected to their school or major, but can also help should they need to drop a class, change their major, or hone in on a major.

Understanding that feeling overwhelmed and homesick comes with the territory. Many students going away to college may not expect it, but the responsibility and occasional homesickness that comes along with being on their own can be overwhelming at times. My son goes to college half way across the country. He loves school and has great friends, but he gets homesick a lot more often than he thought he would. So, I invested in a "family plan" for cell phones, so he can call his father, his sister or me any time he wants to. And his grandma and I team up to send "care" packages with his ravorite cookies, pictures of his cat, goory cartoons, and other reminders that we miss him, too.

It's important to remember that while a large number of students will drop out of college for one reason or another, many more stick it out and get their degrees. Just make sure that before you unpack your son or daughter at the dorm, you've prepared them for how to succeed after you drive away.

Rose Rennekamp is the vice president of communications for ACT. She is a mom and has a master's of education in guidance and counseling. For more college and career-planning information, visit www.act.org. Have a question you want answered in a future column? Send a letter to this newspaper or e-mail Rose at AskRose@act.org.

To the registered voters of the County of Hansford, Texas:

(a los votantes registrados del Condado de Hansford, Texas:

# Meetings and minutes

Spearman ISD Board recognizes media, employees

The Board of Trustees of the Spearman Independent School District met in a Regular Meeting at 7:00 p.m. on September 13, 2004 in the High School Library.

Mr. Mark Allen, President of the Board of Trustees, announced that a quorum was present and called the meeting to order.

HEAR FROM PATRONS OR

STAFF Winegarner Verlan expressed appreciation to the Board for giving the 20-year plus teachers a pay raise for the 2004-2005 school year.

SPECIAL RECOGNITION

· A recognition and reception were held honoring the "2004 Media Honor Roll" which included Catherine Smith -Hansford County Reporter-Statesman, Harletta Carthel -Hansford County Reporter Statesman, Danny Parker -KRDF-FM, Gary Ellsworth -KRDF-FM, Trace Worley -KRDF-FM. In addition, the board also recognized the following: "Holy Toledo Sports Award" - George Young and Dwayne Smith, Staff Perfect Attendance - Rhonda Baker, Doug Bowles and Lynell Williams, and Recognition of Retirees - Melissa Vasquez and Ruth Kizziar. Mr. Sumner stated it is our "people" that make our schools special. He thanked all those involved for their extra effort and for all they did to make the Spearman Schools a better place for our students.

ACTION/DISCUSSION ITEM(S) · Approved consent items:

1. Minutes of the Regular Meeting of August 9, 2004. 2. Paying the bills in the

amount of \$73,793.31. Awarded the gas and diesel

bid to Spearman Equity for the month of October 2004. Architects from Parkhill, Smith and Cooper, Inc. present-

ed plans for the building of a new junior high and remodeling of the elementary campus. Cost estimates were provided in order for the board to determine the scope of any potential building project. In addition to the plans for the elementary and

junior high school, plans were shown on some improvements to the high school to be phased in over a period of years.

· Approved the Annual Investment Policy as presented. This is an annual requirement. No changes were noted to the existing policy.

 Approved vendor list for audit purposes.

· Approved Resolution to Protest Hansford County Appraisal District Budget for 2004-2005.

· Mr. Sumner reviewed the 2002-2003 TEA Annual Dropout Report showing us in compliance. The drop out rate for 2002-2003 for the district was 1.1%. This represents four students, and is below the state standard.

· Mr. Sumner shared the results of the District Planning and Decision Making Survey that by law must be conducted every two years for teachers to evaluate the effectiveness of the committee. Selected Bob Boxwell to

serve another term as the board

representative on the District Education Improvement Committee expiring in 2007. · Approved Garry Dodd, Bill

Wiggins, Bill Belger and Rodney Sumner as PDAS Appraisers for the 2004-2005

school year, and approved the Appraisal Calendar as August 30, 2004 through April 29, 2005 with all teachers to be appraised annually.

 Approved the Spearman ISD 2004-2005.

 Declared old purple football helmets as surplus and authorized Mr. Sumner to dispose of or to sell the helmets. Mr. Sumner said these are the old helmets that were replaced by the purchase of the New Generation helmets that were bought this past school year. The New Generation helmets are designed for additional safety for the student athlete.

request to the board for an out- students with better learning of-state band trip to Orlando, Florida for April 2005. The esti-\$49,600 (which represents approximately \$800 per student). In addition, Ms. Holland presented five fundraising requests to fund the trip. After hearing her request, the board approved the out-of-state band trip and fundraisers requested to fund the trip.

· Selected the month of March 2005 for the board to receive Level II Teambuilding School Board Training.

**INFORMATION ITEM(S)** 

· The student enrollment of Spearman I.S.D. is 761 students which is up 9 students from August 30, 2004.

· Mr. Sumner provided infor-Crowd Management Policy for mation regarding the summer staff development workshops attended by teachers. Mr. Sumner indicated that many staff members attended staff development activities on their own time this past summer, and he wanted the board to be aware of the number of activities and individuals attending these trainings. He said that this is another example of the dedication of the staff in trying to better their own skills on their own · Ms. Holland presented a time in order to provide their experiences.

· Mr. Sumner told the board mated cost for the trip is of the various Homecoming activities scheduled for this

> CLOSED MEETING PERSONNEL MATTERS AND DELIBERATION **ABOUT** PURCHASING PROPERTY

RECONVENE INTO OPEN MEETING

 Approved request for 30 day extended sick leave for Alexis Beck.

ADJOURNMENT · The meeting adjourned at 12.40 a.m.

# **Annual Community Health Fair**

Tuesday, October 12, 2004 7:30 a.m. B 1:00 p.m. The O=Loughlin Center 502 S. Brandt, Spearman TX

Due to circumstances beyond our control, the flu shot will not be available at the Health Fair.

### Screening Lab Tests (at Greatly Reduced Prices!)

Fa	sting for 10 hours prior to test is recommended.	Health Fair	
	an accept cash or check for payment of blood work. re for information only and will be mailed to the patient.	Price	Regular Price
Thyroid Panel	Thyroid Function  Monitors the function and health of the thyroid gland. Thyroid panels help in the diagnosis of obesity, fatigue, heart conditions, abnormal heart and rhythms, as well as weight loss and depression.	\$15	TSH - \$100 T4 - \$30
Lipid Profile	Cholesterol Level, Cardiac Risk Profile  The identification and treatment of individuals who may be at risk for heart disease at an earlier age offers the possibility to prevent or delay the progression of the disease.	\$15	\$120
Prostate Specific Autigen (PSA)	Prostate Health The indication and treatment of disorders of the prostate gland (for men only)	\$12	\$78
Comprehensive Metabolic Profile	Screens for Several Diseases, Including Diabetes A complete blood chemistry including tests to monitor blood electrolytes, liver function, renal function, and blood sugar levels. Can also be helpful in screening for Diabetes.	\$15	\$150
Complete Blood	Screens for Many Conditions, Including Anemia and	\$5	\$35



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NOTICE OF GENERAL ELECTION

(AVISO DE ELECCION GENERAL)

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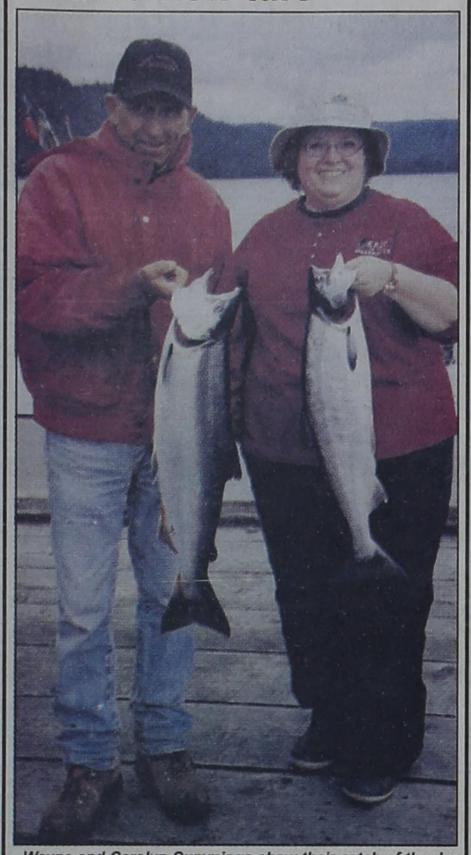
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# A true fish tale



Wayne and Carolyn Cummings show their catch of the day, Silver Salmon, caught at Craig, Alaska on the Prince of Wales

The Cummings, along with daughter Kelli and her friends Chip Creswell and Dale Nichols, whom they met at Seattle before flying together to Ketchikan, were two-week visitors on the island. While there, the Cummings stayed at Camp Carl which is owned by Carl Coala, a state senator from Tennessee.

In addition to salmon, the Cummings caught halibut, crab. shrimp, and eel. They also saw a whale, a sea otter, star fish, bear, and jelly fish.

Creswell's grandfather, Jim, resides in Craig, Alaska.

# Words of Wisdom

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~Abraham Lincoln sentient beings:

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# Texas Agricultural Cooperative Trust sets standard in cost containment

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For a blue-collar industry where health care claims can be high, the numbers are impressive, explained Stoney Jackson, TACT plan manager.

"We've been aggressive about taking care of our people," Jackson said. "Our goal when we started was for our members to pay what they paid five years ago for health insurance. In 10 years, we hope to make it less." So how'd they do it?

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"We thought we'd have a little backlash with the replacement in the coke machines with water," Jackson said, "But it's actually been just the opposite. These guys have actually welcomed the change. We hear over and over that we need more government to be involved in health care, but we're proof that it's just not true."

TACT was designed and is managed by employers in the agricultural industry. As a result, it responds to the needs and interests specific to these employers and their employees. Because TACT's health plan is partially self-funded, it allows employers more control over the program and it creates a program that is more adaptable than standard premium insurance plans.

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# Man killed, daughter injured in motorcycle wreck

41-year-old James Michael Scroggs was killed and his 11-yearold daughter, Jensin, suffered serious injuries Sunday night after a

truck hit their motorcycle on Soncy Road. Both were taken to Northwest Texas Hospital after the accident about 6:30 p.m., said Danny Alexander, spokesman for the Randall

County Sheriff Department. Emergency personnel at the scene of the accident said they were

in critical condition, Alexander said. Alexander said the man and the girl were traveling south on Soncy Road on the man's Harley-Davidson motorcycle when a 1996 red Chevrolet hit the motorcycle.

The truck and the motorcycle collided when the pickup driver tried to cross an intersection at Soncy Road and Hollywood Road, Alexander said.

Texas Department of Public Safety troopers would not reveal the name of the driver of the pickup, but said the man will be given a citation for failure to yield right of way.

Scroggs was pronounced dead at Northwest Texas Hospital. Jensen was airlifted to Lubbock where she is on life-support with a significant head injury and multiple lacerations all over her body.

### Fund established for Scroggs family

A fund has been established to help the family of James Scroggs, 41. The Amarillo man was killed Sunday night, when his motorcycle wrecked on Loop 335. Scroggs' daughter, Jensin, 11, was critically injured in the crash.

Donations can be made to the James Scroggs Family, C/O Amarillo National Bank, Attention Jada, P.O. Box 1, Amarillo, TX, 79101.

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ROLLING STOCK 1997 Ford F350, 5 sp, 460 eng., 4x4, hyd, flatbed, cake feeder w/scales; 1989 Ford F150, 4x4, auto; 1985 Dodge 150, 4x4, auto; 1961 Ford F100; 1982 El Camino; 1985 Chrysler; 1968 Ford F100, 4 sp.; 1976 Chev 20 crew cab; 1947 Willy Jeep; 1967 Chev 50 T. Truck, Stl. bed 4 sp. 2 sp. 37k miles Stl. bed, 4 sp., 2 sp., 37k miles, w/hyd. drill auger; 1960 Ford 2 T, lift, 4 sp, 2 sp

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ANTIQUE FURNITURE
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Cherry picker, 225 amp. welder, 180 am. Forney, 2 band saws; lot tires, roto tiller, 2 snapper mowers; JD 2001 SH 6-16 GSN fulltop, looks new; 6x16 GSN fulltop single axle; Hale 5'-18' GSN trailer; 5-15 cattle trailer; round bale trailer; pickup bed trailer; Danhuser 3 pt digger; EZ wire roller; GSN water trailer, 1K gal; Stoberg chute, 14 panels; 14 WW panels; 10' portable feeder; 9 round bale feeders; 500 lb. Paul roto tiller, 2 snapper mowers; JD 216 riding mower, 42" deck; 4 pick-up bed fuel tanks, 500 gal. tank, 500 misc. pipe, lot barrel stands, motor stand, 3-8K axles, 2 Richardson pickers, road packer, 15' mower, 16-8 single axle trailer, 5' mower, 16-8 single axle trailer, 5' mower, 16-9 sickle mower, 21' wicker, 3 pt. 7' blade

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