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### At A Glance

#### Spearman Merchant's Association Christmas **Promotion Winner**

This week's winner of the Spearman Retail Merchant's Association Christmas Drawing Promotion Antonio Chavez.

### Gruver FFA Selling Fruit/Turkeys

The Gruver FFA is now selling fruit and turkeys for Christmas. Available are grapefruit, apples, pears and oranges. Call Clay Montgomery at 733-

#### Christmas Pageant To Be Held In Amarillo

Annual Christmas The Pageant presented by Paramount Terrace Christian Church at the Civic Center Auditorium has established itself as one of the premiere family-oriented holiday traditions in the entire tri-state area.

The Christmas Pageant portrays the true meaning of Christmas by telling the life story of Jesus Christ with the spectacular use of music and drama. Dramatic lighting and special effects enhance the audience's experience, but it is a simple message of the love, forgiveness and acceptance that Christ brought to this world that touches their hearts and

The Pageant takes the audience back 2,000 years to experience the life of Christ. Featuring new music and a completely new script every year, the Pageant always remains fresh and exciting. This year the Pageant is entitled "Freedom" and is told from the viewpoint of Barrabas and a couple of modern day convicts.

The dates for this year's presentations are December 15 through Monday December 18 at 7:30 p.m. with Saturday and Sunday afternoon matinees at 3 p.m.

Tickets are free and can be obtained from the Music Ministry Office located at the east entrance of the church at 4000 Mays Ave beginning Monday, November 27. For more information, call the Music Ministry office at (806)353-6615 or check out the www.ChristmasPageant.com.

#### WTAMU Christmas Ornament Available

The first West Texas A&M Christmas ornament of the University's Centennial Countdown series is on sale now at the bookstore on the WTAMU campus in Canyon. This limited-edition collectible, the first of an 11-piece series, features "Old Main," the oldest an grandest building on the

WTAMU campus.
The three-dimensional ornament, made of solid brass and finished in 24 kt. gold, is packaged in a presentation box and is accompanied by an explana-

tory brochure. Ornaments are available at the University Bookstore, located in the Jack B. Kelley Student Center, for \$12.95 plus tax. Collectors and WTAMU friends may also mail requests to Bookstore, WTAMU Box 60937, Canyon Texas 79016-0001, call (806)651-2744, fax (806) 651-2752 or go to the

store www.wtamu.edu/bookstore. Handling and shipping is an additional \$3.95 per order and will require about two weeks for

delivery.

Beginning this year and each of the next 10 years, a new ornament depicting a WTAMU building, symbol or event will be released. The last ornament of the series will be available as part of the University's Centennial Celebration in the year 2010.

Hansford Hospice:

Delivering Solace, Preparation for the Terminally III

SERVING HANSFORD COUNTY SINCE 1907

by Sara Eisfeld

When Henry and Rosie Grotegut were informed that Henry's illness was terminal, their doctor recommended that they look into Hospice. As Henry's illness became too much for Rosie to handle by herself, Hansford Hospice stepped in to provide care and prepare the Grotegut's for the process of dying.

Rosie gives much commendation to Rosetta Barrera and Charla Hargis for their faithful explanations and encouragement as Henry's illness progressed.

"Hospice helped us to understand death much better," said Rosie.

She said Hospice not only did everything to control her husband's pain in his final weeks, but helped her and her family to know how to respond as well.

"Henry had an easy death, even though he suffered," she said. "He was happy because he was going through the transition of death and we shared it with him.'

One decade ago, at its genesis, Hansford Hospice purposed to bring the qualities of in-home terminal illness care closer to home.

While the goal of Home Health is to provide short-term in-home medical treatment towards a patient's recovery, Hospice is dedicated to inhome palative (pain control) care for the terminally ill.

"Hospice is for those who have had two doctors agree that they have less than six months to live," said Jack McWhirter, a volunteer who first took the Hospice volunteer class before Hansford Hospice was established in 1990.

When an individual knows death is eminent, his or her family also goes through the process of preparing for that death.

"One of the main things in Hospice is that we are not here to tell them [the family] what to do, to take over, but to support them, give them informed choices and support them in that," said Rosetta Barrera,

volunteer coordinator for Hansford needed to provide their unique care. Hospice.

Hospice is a non-profit organization, unique in that it serves the community almost primarily with the help of volunteers, who share of their time and resources.

Volunteers are always on call to bring a meal for the family, sit with a patient, run errands for a patient or visit with the family.

"Hospice is concentrated on quality of life, the comfort of the patient and making the last minutes of their life better quality," said Jolinda Hutchison, a volunteer who got involved after her mother-in-law went through terminal illness.

Volunteer Carolyn Hicks echoes the feelings of many of the volunteers that the gratitude of the people she serves makes the whole experience very worthwhile.

"You just know that your job is to make their lives as dignified and happy as possible under the circumstances," she said.

Rosetta Barrera agrees, "If there is one little thing you can do to make someone more comfortable, that's what life is all about."

Volunteers are also responsible for the fundraisers each year. All of the funds go toward direct patient care and comfort.

"Fundraisers are important for the reason that Hospice never sends a bill to a family," said Connie Gammill, a volunteer who has been involved since the inception of Hansford Hospice.

Each year, volunteers spend hours in preparation for the fall garage sale and the chili and stew luncheon held in March, as well as other smaller projects to raise money

Hansford Hospice program con-

tinues working after a Hospice patient has passed away, providing comfort to the family through the grieving process for 13 months after

Rosetta Barrera acknowledges that death in many cases is a blessing, but that letting go of the friend or loved one remains the most difficult

"There's always pain in letting go, but God has ultimate control of our

lives," she said. "There's a greater plan in life and there are a lot more things worse than death."

Jack McWhirter agrees that death is the hardest for those left behind, but considers it an honor to be able sit with and support the suffering one and their family.

"That's what we're supposed to do," he said. "We're supposed to help each other."

For the families of the 167 patients whom Hansford Hospice has faithfully served, this is true.



Hospice Garage Sale. They, and several other volunteers, spent many hours of hard work preparing for the sale, which helps provide funds for Hansford Hospice. This year, Hospice raised around \$5,000 from the garage sale. These funds are used to stock the Hospice Kitchen Unit so that families do not have to leave the Hospice Unit for meals, to purchase items that patients may need but are unable to afford, to purchase home-like furnishings for the Hospice Unit and the Hospice Family Unit at the hospital, to send our Hospice nurses and doctors to special Hospice training seminars at larger hospitals and to purchase Hospice educational materials for our community and patients, and countless other areas to insure a quality Hospice program for our

### WANTED:

CHARLES NEWCOMB For: 1 missing bus, 1 missing piano, 2 missing parade floats, 1 missing membership roster







Bret Burgin (right) "congratulates" Chuck Newcomb for receiving the 2000 Liars Badge.

For the past 10 of the 16 years he has been a Spearman Lions Club member, Chuck Newcomb has held the position of "Lion Tamer." Officially his duties as Lion Tamer involve being in charge of all Lions Club property.

But several Lions Club items have turned up missing. At 88 and the senior of the 37-member group, Chuck became the recipient of the "2000 Liars Badge."

"Because of his advanced age, he has lost numerous things and can't keep up with stuff anymore," said Bret Burgin, who was last year's recipient and delegated the honor to Chuck this year. However only rumors and speculation verify that the 10 items

missing can be traced to Newcomb or his age. "Seems that I'm the senior, they can blame anything on me," said

For his supposed knack for misplacing things, Chuck also received a new nickname with his Liars Badge award: Chuck 'Where's It At" Newcomb.

"Actually he hasn't lost anything, but we are blaming him for it,"

said Burgin. Some past recipients include Bret "Weenie Boy" Burgin and Gary Belly Button" Smith.

### Forum To Discuss Cotton Production In **North Texas Plains Scheduled**

production a viable option in the northern Texas High Plains? According to Brent Bean, agronomist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, the time is right to explore a variety of options when profits are at stake.

"When many farmers are faced with switching to alternate crops in order to stay in business, cotton might be worth considering," said Bean, who will join with other experts to explore the risks and benefits of growing the crop.

On December 14, area producers, crop consultants and agribusiness operators can address many of the

Producers want to know - is cotton issues associated with cotton production during a meeting slated at the Moore County Community Building, 16th and Maddox Streets in Dumas. Continuing education units (CEUs) will be offered to certified crop advisors and licensed pesticide applicators (all classes).

The event will be a forum to answer questions dealing with production risks, management strategies for successful production, disease and insect control concerns, potential for profit and marketing

Registration begins at 1:30 and the meeting will cover such topics as historical climatic data and heat unit requirements for cotton, growing cotton in a short season production environment, pest and weed control in cotton as well as cotton diseases and control and marketing for cotton production.

For more information, contact Brent Bean at the Texas A&M Research and Extension Center at (806)359-5401 or Robert Harris at the Moore County Extension office at (806) 935-2594.

#### Who's Who List Includes 43 From Hansford County

Included in the 34th Annual Edition of Who's Who Among American High School Students, 1999-2000 are 43 students from Gruver and

The list, published by Educational Communications, Inc. of Lake Forest, IL is the largest recognition program and publication in the nation honoring high achieving high school students. Students are nominated by high school principals and guidance counselors, national youth groups, churches and educational organizations based upon students' academic achievement an involvement in extracurricular activities. Traditionally 99% of Who's Who students have a grade point average of 'B' or better and 97% are college

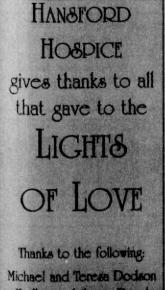
This 34th edition features over 750,000 students or just 5% of the nation-

al 14 million high school students. Who's Who students also compete for \$200,000 in scholarship awards and participate in the publication's Annual Survey of High Achievers, an annual opinion poll of teen attitudes.

Students from Gruver and Spearman include:

Gruver High School Students
Boyd, Kimberly D.; Carthel, Kade D.; Clift, Christi R.; Flores, Suguey; Grotegut, Derik; Henson, Dallas D.; Lopez, Ashley; McDowell, Christie M.; Morris, Brittany; Schneider, Amanda N.; Stavlo, Sammie; Stedje, Lauree B.; Valencia, Liza C.

Spearman High School Students Alvarado, Cristina; Banks, Melissa R.; Beasley, Halee D.; Benton, Nicholas S.; Boxwell, Erin E.; Brock, John C.; Bynum, Timothy N.; Camacho, Laura J.; Cummings, Andrew; De La Cruz, Jennifer R.; Freeman, Jared L.; Gillaspie, Laura E.; Griffin, Martin C.; Haney, Allison; Haney, Steven J.; Lozano, Erin N.; Lozano, Jared B.; Miesner, Marty R.; Moreno, Junior; Nollner, Chelsea J.; Paschel, Denise M.; Pipkin, Angela; Ramon, Amber; Schumann, Tashiana D.; Shieldknight, Clara A.; Smith, Lanna C.; Vanderburg, Clayton E.; Volden, Jessica R.; Woodington, Sydney: Woolley, Brady K.



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by Catherine R. Smith CathyRSmit@aol.com

Christmas is coming and you've got a million things to do! I found a list of "101 Easy Ways To Decorate Your Home for Christmas" on the internet. These ideas are all quite simple, but they will give you lots of quick, easy, inexpensive ways to add some Christmas cheer to your home. I hope you enjoy them! (There are 20 here, I will try to get the rest in before Christmas.)

101 Easy Ways To Decorate Your Home For Christmas

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ideas are all quite simple, but they'll will give you lots of quick, easy, inexpensive ways to add some Christmas cheer to your home.

1. Create a charming display of teddy bears dressed for the season. Gather together three or more teddy bears and arrange them on a table or on the floor in a corner. Dress the bears with scarves and mittens. Place candy canes in their hands or tie bows around their necks. You can even wrap up some small, empty boxes with Christmas wrapping paper to place in the bears' hands.

2. Make simple bows from Christmas print ribbon and pin them to your curtains.

3. Display a collection of nativity scenes from different cultures. 4. Hang a collection of Christmas stockings on your mantle, a shelf or the wall (even if you don't stuff them). The more the mer-

5. Revisit your childhood. Cut snowflakes from white paper and hang them in all of your windows.

6. Use red and green 3-dimensional fabric paints to trace simple Christmas patterns (like stars, bells, Santas, stockings, etc.) on a white tablecloth.

7. Buy a clear plastic shower curtain. Use a hot glue gun to attach Christmas decorations to the outside of the curtain. Don't use breakable ornaments - instead, try small wooden or plastic ornaments (remove any hooks), bows, garland, etc.

8. Dress up your house plants - hang small Christmas ornaments on them.

9. Tie a red ribbon around a tall, slim drinking glass. Fill the glass with candy canes and display on a shelf or side table.

10. Fill a small glass bowl or decorative Christmas bowl with small cones and display on end tables, shelves, buffet tables, etc.

11. Purchase plain green or red place mats and attach Christmas ribbons, bows or small wooden ornaments with a hot glue gun.

12. For quick ornaments, hang Christmas cookie cutters with ribbon. Hang them on your tree or in a window.

13. Decorate plain red, white, green or gold candles with 3-

dimensional fabric paint. Draw stars, bells, angels, snowmen, etc. If you make a mistake, let the paint dry and peal it off, then start

14. Create a cookie wreath centerpiece for your table. Just arrange Christmas cookies in a wreath shape right on the table cloth. No need to attach them to anything 'cause everyone will want to nibble at them. If you like, place a pillar candle on a small plate in the center of the wreath.

15. Pile a collection of Christmas books on a side table.

16. Purchase an inexpensive mail box. Spray paint it red or green. Use craft paints to add simple Christmas shapes, or attach store-bought ornaments with a hot glue gun (make sure your ornaments will be able to stand up to the elements).

17. If you have a large, bare outside wall, try this simple idea. Cut a Christmas silhouette from a piece of plywood (a silhouette of Santa, a snowman, etc works well). Using screws, attach your silhouette to a short post that you can drive into the ground. You'll want the silhouette to stand right a ground level several feet away from the wall. Position a spot light on the other side of the silhouette so that it will shine on the silhouette and project a large shadow on the wall. We've seen this done with a silhouette of Joseph leading Mary who is sitting on a donkey. It's beautiful.

18. Wrap indoor Christmas lights around a railing or banister. Secure periodically with tape. Be careful to tape down the elec-

trical cord so that no one trips over it.

19. Add color to a room with vases of red and white flowers. Use roses, carnations, mums, daisies, etc. Or, float the flowers in large crystal or glass bowls.

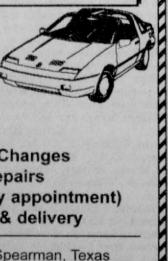
20. Wrap an assortment of medium to large sized boxes with Christmas wrap. Attach ribbons and/or bows. Pile the boxes in a corner from floor to ceiling.

May God bless and keep you; May He make his face to shine upon you, and be gracious to you; May the Lord lift up his countenance upon you, and give you peace. Numbers 6:24-26

Catherine:)

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### Minding Your Own Business

by Don Taylor

Don Taylor is the coauthor of Up Against the Wal-Marts. You may write to him in care of Minding Your Own Business, PO Box 67, Amarillo, TX 79105.



#### An Old Tool Can Be Your New Front Door

Question: What's more common than a cell phone ringing in an important meeting?

Answer: Only the words "uh" and "ah" occur more often than a ringing phone in most meetings.

The idea for this column came in a recent meeting. I was surrounded by a former U.S. ambassador, a college president, a nationally known advertising executive, a bank president, a few PhDs and a vice-president or two. Suddenly, one of the heavy hitter's phones erupted.
I'm not good at "Name that Tune,"

but this phone chirped a 94-decibel version of "When the Saints Go Marching In" combined with the "William Tell Overture." And that was just the first ring.

He quickly excused himself and slipped out of the room while his phone chimed the closing bars of Stardust." Several of us sitting around the room unobtrusively checked our phones to see for certain that they were off.

In just a few seconds the phone answerer returned. The speaker paused as the gentleman returned to his seat. All eyes were on him, so the phone answerer said with just a tinge of embarrassment, "Wrong

returned to the speaker's remarks. My mind went back to the phone.

How did people do business with-out phones? The phone is an easyto-access front door for all businesses. It's versatile, portable and accessible worldwide.

Some day the Internet may be the most popular business "front door," but now the phone is number one. And because it is so common, it is often taken for granted. It shouldn't be, because using it correctly can boost your business image, bring in new business and help you satisfy more customers.

Most of us feel pretty comfortable with the phone and probably feel we are good at using it. However, in reality many of us could use a little help with our telephone skills. And we're not alone. SkillPath seminars generate annual revenue in excess of \$2 million from teaching customer service and telephone skills alone.

Here are some telephone tips to build your business or career. Remember, the telephone is like your front door; it should be easy to open and offer a friendly atmosphere from the first word.

Tips for Telephone Success \* Tip One - If your objective is to get business, get a business line. It doesn't matter how good you are on the phone if no one can find your number in the business pages.

\* Tip Two - Use the yellow pages. Again, I'm assuming you're in business. Choose the category you'll be listed in carefully. For example, if you cut hair you might want to be listed in both barber shops and beauty or hair salons.

\* Tip Three - Have enough lines. Your front door has to handle the traffic. You may need two or more

We all had a good laugh and most lines and a "hold" feature is essen-

Tip Four - Don't abuse the "hold" feature. Many businesses abuse customers by making them listen to company commercials, headline news or elevator music. They spend time and money each month to do this. Instead of entertaining your callers, focus on getting them connected to the per-

son they want or need to speak to.

\* Tip Five - Get a toll free number. This only applies to folks who expect customers to call from outside the local area. However, if you are trying to lure customers from across the country, a toll-free number is a must.

Next week we'll give you 13 more tips for getting more business with

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December 7

Birthday - Sheldon Atwood, Brenda Bayless, Del Cluck, Janell Haefner, Bret Hobbs. Cynthia Williams, C.L. Pierce, Sue Carlee Dixon, H.E. Thane McCloy, Zach Williams, Bowling, Jenkins, Thane McCloy, Gallimore, Dusty Hodge, Beth Dudley, Beverly Antalek Anniversary - Mr. & Mrs. Willard

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December 10 Birthday - Pat Barkley, Akiko Bort, Marilynn Hart, Harold King, Brent Pittman, Aaron Jackson, Kayla Pletcher, Donald Piatt, Kay Barnes, Lelia Bynum, Phyllis Collins, Linda Bartz, Bryce Reed Jarvis, Serina Diaz, Brent Wagner

Anniversary - Mr. & Mrs. Dallen Scroggs, Mr. & Mrs. John Sprigg, Mr. & Mrs. Perry Lamb, Sprigg, Mr. & Mrs. Pe Mr. & Mrs. Mark Irwin

December 11 Birthday - Kasey Davis, Manella Kiser, Dana Steele, Phillip Renner, Maria Martinez, Florence Fletcher, Jim Evans, Betty Dunaway, Steve Boynton Anniversary - Mr. & Mrs. Jess Wood, Irene & Butch Baker

December 12 Birthday - Gene Fletcher, Kaisi Foster, Claudia Barton, Pete Fisher, Olga Cantu, Mary Ann Martin, Jana (Pittman) Ivey, Babara Ring, Daniel Ochoa, Don Reed, Chance Johnson, Jana Poyd, Christine Brandyik, Ivin Boyd, Christine Brandvik, Omar Favela, Guadalupe Trejo, Greene, Fred Greene, Wilkerson, Marvin

Justin Boyd, Brandon Sauz Anniversary - Mr. & Mrs. John Brown, Mr. & Mrs. Jon King, Mr. & Mrs. John Lopez, Charles & Melanie Elliott

December 13

Birthday - Betty Burk, James Burk Jr., Holly McCloy, Barbara Schnell, Muriel Boyd, Linda Butt, Smith, Georgena Hart, Dan Roach, Dana Wattier, Robert Zamora, Marylin Cline, Blythe Finley, Leaha Smith

Anniversary - Mr. & Mrs. Kurt

December 14

Birthday - Bradley Clawson, Ray Etter, Todd Parker, Penny Ralston, Barbara Stavlo, Elaine Odegaard, Ron Schmehr, Bradley Sanders, Lynn Cook Grover. Sandra Herrington, Cale Curry, Amy Gift Anniversary - Mr. & Mrs. Don Maize, Mr. & Mrs. Chris Stork December 15

Birthday - Dallas Henson, Harvey Profitt, Hal Shufeldt, April Davis, Carolyn Davidson, Bob Pearson, Abbe Steger Clarence Eller, Rosa Pierce Stephanie Crossland, Donny Davis, Maria Ortiz, Jennie Jones, Jose Vargas, Jim Norton, Joey Bynum, Randall Sauer, LeAnn Shields, Eric Vasquez December 16

Birthday - Carl Archer, Clint Hand, Linda Lackey, Clint Marty Bennett, Hand, Many Patterson, Many Patterson, Clausen, Jennifer Hughes

Anniversary - Mr. & Mrs. Bryan Kenny, Mr. & Mrs. George P. Odom, Mr. & Mrs. John Purvines December 17

Birthday - Patsy Bevill, Sergio Charles Kruse, Brandy Stephanie TeBeest, Urban, Lupe Guerero, Francis Floyd, Betty Lemons, Viola Hutton, Russell Shaver, Lorene Raiz, Bobby Novak, Charles Layton, Sandi Rich, Michael Park, Pam Cassady, Jimmy Traylor, Stephanie Tyler Anniversary - Mr. & Mrs. Bill Park, Mr. & Mrs. Rick Finley

December 18 Birthday - Jimmy Faren, Ronnie Schaefer, Cassie Butt, Malory Martin, Ben Gruver, Monalisa Garcia, Tyler Bounton

Anniversary - Tom & Rita Reed, Mr. & Mrs. Dwayne Hart, Mr. & Mrs. Dave Karlin

December 19
Birthday - Steve Bevill, Jim
Norton, Steve Watkins, Fausto Ruiz, Betty Vernon, Nicholson, Irene Reed, Sara Dossett, Pat Dear, Mrs. Roscoe Nelson, Gwen McLain, Ford McIntyre, Zachary Brelans, Billy Jo Miesner, Delphine Etling, Cindy Walton

Anniversary - Frank & Carol Lemons, Earl & June Spencer, Reagan & Beckee Baker, Mr. & Mrs. Ray Ethredge, Mr. & Mrs. True Leatherman, Mr. & Mrs. Roy Diaz, Kyle & Jennifer Nollner

### Our Deepest Sympathy

Bessie M. Cavin

Bessie M. Cavin, 84, died Saturday, December 2, 2000, in Spearman,

Services were held at 10 a.m. Tuesday, December 5, 2000 in First Baptist Church with the Rev. Billy Rammage, pastor, officiating. Burial wase in Clayton Memorial Cemetery by Hass Funeral Directors.

Mrs. Cavin was born in Sweetwater, Texas. After marrying Fred Cavin in 1934 at Purcell, Okla., they farmed and ranched in the Clayton area. Her husband died in 1993.

She moved to Spearman in 1997.

Survivors include three daughters, Jean Fisher of Albany, Ore., Sharon Curry of Cody, Wyo., and Mary Baker of Spearman; two sons, Roy Cavin of Las Vegas and Jerry Cavin of Colorado Springs, Colo.; a sister, Thelma Powers of Purcell, Okla.; 12 grandchildren; and 19 great-grandchildren.

The family will be at 221 Jefferson St. in Clayton and suggests memorials be to First Baptist Church in Clayton; or Hansford Manor Hospice in

#### Bob Jarvis

Bob Jarvis, 33, died Tuesday, November 28, 2000.

Services will be at 10 a.m. Friday in First Baptist Church with the Rev. Brian Foster officiating. Burial will be in Lieb Cemetery by Boxwell Brothers Funeral Home.

Mr. Jarvis was born in Spearman. He was a farmer and rancher. He was a member of the First Baptist Church, the Spearman Volunteer Fire Department and the Southwestern Pioneer Windmill Association.

He married Brandie Parker in May at Clayton, N.M.

Survivors include his wife; a son, Bryce Jarvis of Spearman; a daughter Cassidie Jarvis of Spearman; his mother, Dora Jarvis of Stinnett; a sister, Joanna Jarvis of Stinnett; and his grandmother, Louise Vaught of Amarillo. The family suggests memorials be to Southwest Pioneer Windmill Association, Box 157, Spearman, TX 79081.

Caleb Shane Shannon

Caleb Shane Shannon, 6 months, died Friday, December 1, 2000. Private family graveside services will be at Llano Cemetery in Amarillo Memorial services were held at 11 a.m. Tuesday, December 5, 2000 in Oakdale Pentecostal Church with Travis W. Shannon, pastor and greatgrandfather, officiating. Arrangements are by Rector Funeral Home, 2800 Osage St., in Amarillo.

Caleb was born in Amarillo.

Survivors include his parents, Kellie Danielle Shannon and Cory Kirk of Spearman; his father, Brandon Scott Lorenz of Fritch; a brother, Kamren Shannon of Spearman; a sister, Brittany Lorenz of Fritch; grandparents, Rick and Dynette Schilling of Spearman, Donald and Connie Lorenz of Fritch, and Chester and Donna Carlson of Borger; and great-grandparents, Travis W. and Diane Shannon of Amarillo.

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The Prometheus Deception - Robert Ludlum

Wish You Well - David Baldacci

Boones Lick - Larry McMurtry

Paradise County - Karen Robards

Check the Lost & Found, My Mind is Missing - Brown

Shoes: Chocolate for the Feet - Cathy Guisewite

The Last Lover - Laura Van Wormer

L.A. Dead - Stuart Woods

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Chile Death - Susan Albert

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Cracking the Texas EOC: Biology

On This Rockne - Ralph McInerny

The Twisted Root - Anne Perry

World of Pies - Karen Stolz

Drowning Ruth - Christina Schwarz Dreams of Glory - Thomas Fleming

Little Ellie Claus - James Manos

Deviant Ways - Chris Mooney

Disobedience - Ruth Hamilton Eagle's Cry - David Nevin

Prodigal Summer - Barbara Kinsolver

Bump and Run - Mike Lupica

Shara Lee Piersall Byrd

Shara Lee Piersall Byrd, 61, of San Antonio died Sunday, December 3 in

Shara Lee Byrd is survived by her husband: Herman A. Byrd of San Antonio; two daughters, Pamela Petty and her husband David of Comfort; and Tami May and her husband Donny of Boerne; one son, Terry Gene Byrd of San Antonio; five grandchildren; one brother, Gene L. Piersall and his wife Darlene of Tulsa, OK and one sister-in-law, Dannye Piersall of San

Funeral services were Wednesday, December 6 at 2 p.m. in the Comfort Baptist Church with the Rev. Jim Holt and Rev. Robert Shields officiating. Internment followed in the Comfort Cemetery

Memorial contributions may be given in Shara Lee's memory to the American Heart Association, Texas Organ Sharing Alliance or to the char-

### HANSFORD HAPPENINGS

ESL/Spanish Classes Offered

The Community Resource Program is giving those persons interested in ESL, English Second Language, or Conversational Spanish I or II an opportunity to sign up for these classes. Mary Ontiveros will be the instructor. Classes will be offered if there is enough interest. For more information about how Community Education can serve you, contact Cindy Blackman at 659-3233.

Frank Phillips College Classes At Spearman High School

Many individuals in this area are working toward an Associates Degree or accumulating hours toward a Bachelors Degree. If there are specific classes that you would like to see offered at Spearman High School for either the Winter or Spring semesters, please call the Community Resource office soon as those schedules will be submitted to Frank Phillips College in the near future. Many classes are available through the teleconferences system at Spearman High School and Frank Phillips College also offers web-based classes. For more information, call Cindy Blackman, Community Resource Coordinator, at 659-3233.

Musical Jam Session At Golden Spread Senior Center The Golden Spread Senior Center, 502 S. Brandt, is hosting musi-

cal jam sessions on the first Thursday night of every month from 7 9:30 p.m. All musicians and singers are welcome as well as those who like to just come and listen. And yes, toe-tapping and clapping are allowed. Come on down - you won't be sorry you came. Call Kathy at 659-3866 with any questions.

Fresh Start Stop Smoking Seminar

A Fresh Start Stop Smoking Seminar is being planned by First
National Bank. This seminar will consist of two 1-1/2 hour sessions, taught by Casey McCann. These sessions are sponsored by the American Cancer Society, and will be held at First National Bank Anyone interested should contact Tammi Kunselman at 659-5544 or 659-3775.

Frank Phillips College 2001 Teleconference Class Schedule Listed below is the Frank Phillips College 2001 Teleconference Class Schedule. Monday & Wednesday, 5:30 - 6:45 p.m., Intermediate Algebra; Monday & Wednesday, 7 - 9:45 p.m., Psychology; Tuesday & Thursday, 5:30 - 6:45 p.m., College Algebra; Wednesday, 7 - 9:45 p.m., Accounting. All classes will be held at Spearman High School via teleconference. For more information, call Cindy Blackman, Community Resource Program at 659-3233. Registration will be Monday, January 8, 2001 from 5-7 p.m. at Spearman High School.

Spearman Boys Basketball Program Sign Up

Sign up for the Spearman Boys Basketball Program will be held on Wednesday, December 6th and Thursday, December 7th from 5-6 p.m. in the First State Bank Hospitality Room. The deadline to sign up for the 2001 season will be on December 7th. If you cannot attend one of the sign up meetings, please call Patti Schnell at (806) 659-2919 before December 7th. A training session is being planned to help boys learn some of the basic drills, such as dribbling, passing, shooting, lay-ups, etc. Leann Gillaspie has volun-teerd her time to teach this training session on December 16, 2000 3rd and 4th grade will be held from 10 a.m.-12 p.m., and 5th and 6th grade will be held from 1-3 p.m. All players are strongly urged to attend. The 2001 season will be played January 13th and 27th, and February 3rd and 17th.

Pheasant Hunters' Breakfast

Alpha Mu Psi Sorority will serve breakfast to pheasant hunters from 5:30 - 7:30 a.m. in the Gruver School Cafeteria on Saturday December 9. The cost is \$5 per person. There will also be an opportunity to buy raffle tickets for 1 of 2 \$300 gift certificates to Wal-Mart

Rushing Wind Emmaus Christmas to Gather in Waka

Christmas at Waka will be sponsored by Rushing Wind Emmaus on Saturday, December 9 at 6 p.m. at the Waka Christian Center. A potluck will be served at 6 p.m. followed with a praise and worship service in the chapel. Families and friends are welcome and a nursery will be provided. The evening will be hosted by the Board of Directors of the Waka Christian Center. The Board of Directors of the Rushing Wind Emmaus will met at 4:30 p.m. on December 9 a the Waka Christian Center

Area-Wide Singles New Years Eve Dinner & Dance
The Singles Ministry of Paramount Terrace Christian Church is
having an area-wide Singles New Years Eve dinner and dance at
the Amarillo Civic Center Grand Plaza December 31. Hours will be
7 p.m. to 12 midnight. There will be live music by Sharla Lee Hayes and the Double Diamond Band. The dress will be church aftire to semi-formal. Photographer will be available at 6:30 for personal photos. Tickets are \$20 per person which includes a guest speaker, dinner and dance. Deadline for purchasing tickets will be December 22. The dinner and dance will be an alcohol and smokefree environment. For more information or tickets, call Penny Lawlis or Mike Nuthman at Paramount Terrace Christian Church at (806) 353-6615

Brothers To Share at Assembly of God

Both have the same mission - to share Christ with others, but each have a different field. Steve and Sheri Woodward from Texas Tech University and Ronnie and Shannon Woodward from Chiapas Mexico will be sharing their experiences on Sunday, December 10 2000 at the Assembly of God Church in Spearman, Sunday morning at 10:35 a.m., Reverend Steve Woodward and his wife Sheri will explain their work with the Chiapas Bible Institute, which Steve has directed for the past seven years and has recently moved to per-manent headquarters. Ronnie and Shannon Woodward began Chi-Alpha, a ministry to college students in the Spring of 2000 at Texas Tech University in Lubbock. They will share during the evening service at 7 p.m.

Spearman Methodist Choir to Present Christmas Special

The First United Methodist Chancel Choir of Spearman will per The First United Methodist Chancel Choir of Spearman will perform a special Christmas musical presentation, Ali Is Calm, All Is Bright at 11:00 a.m. on December 17, 2000. Randy Vader, one of the creator's of the work says, "This is the world scene on the eve of Bethleham...this is the world scene on the eve of His second advent. Not much is different - yet everything has changed. Those that listen will hear...those that look will see...those that seek will find. A promise is about to be fulfilled. A King is coming! All is Calm, All is Bright. The public is invited to attend.

Geneology Society

The Spearman Geneology Society meets the 1st Tuesday of each month at 4:00 p.m. in the Hansford County Library. Anyone interested is invited to attend.

"Four Tickets To Christmas"
Full Gospel Community Worship Center of Perryton will present "Four Tickets to Christmas" on Saturday, December 16, Sunday, December 17 and Monday, December 18 at 7 pm. in the Perryton High School Auditorium. "Four Tickets to Christmas" is a Broadway-style dramatic musical that tells the story of ordinary people who, on Christmas of 1905 are reminded of what Christmas is really all about a the birth of Jesus. There will once again be heart-warming. about - the birth of Jesus. There will once again be heart-warming music, beautiful turn-of-the-century sets and costumes and an atmosphere of hope that you won't want to miss. Admission is free For tickets or more information, call the church office at (806) 435-

Lake Depth-December 4, 2000--47.86 feet (down 3 inches)

Red Byrd, one of the remaining regular fishermen, was rewarded last Friday with three catfish with the largest weighing eight pounds.

Jim reports seeing eight mature and eight immature eagles on the Gibner side between 5 and 6 o'clock Saturday evening. He had to use both the scope and his binoculars to separate the mature from the immatures.

Today the numbers of geese had picked back up. Joan saw one big flock of white geese in the air. They were dotted with 6 dark geese. The geese are mainly on the east of the water covered bridge. Part of the time the eagles are in the trees in that area watching the geese. The ducks are more often in the creek.

Jim has been seeing more mountain bluebirds. He is also seeing a scrub jay with some blue jays at their feeder. The scrub jays, unlike blue jays, are crestless, but they are alike in having white throats with black necklaces. This fall we have had the Steller's jay reported, so that gives us 3 jays. Another one

that is seen in the Panhandle some years but has not been sighted at the Park is the pinion jay. It is not seen every year, but sometimes it is reported in numbers. It is steel-blue all over but too big to be a mountain bluebird.

Daniel Harris reports a mystery killer in the chicken house at their home on the Palo Duro Creek. One evening at 8 o'clock he had gone to shut the chickens in, when he heard them in an uproar and a noise in some weeds near the pen. He was using a lantern rather than a flashlight and was not able to see what it

In the chicken house he found 3 dead hens. Closer examination showed they had puncture wounds on their throats and that their blood had been sucked out. He laid the hens out of the pen to dispose the next day. Later he found their heads and necks had been eaten off. He felt the killer had to be able to climb the fence.

I seem to remember that some local animal--skunk, opossum, or raccoon killed in this manner, but I can't find it. Can anyone solve Daniel's mystery?

### Letter To The Editor

At this time, as a Lions Club member of the Texas Panhandle, I want to thank everyone who has donated their used eyeglasses to The Lions Eyeglass Program. This is a continuous project and has pro-vided improved vision for thousands of needy people in the United States and all over the world.

Another important program that the Lions have in the Panhandle is The Lions Eye Bank of District 2-TI. We have provided corneas for our local doctors for the past 30

Eye donations to the Lions are the greatest gift. If you are interested in donating your eyes, please tell a family member or loved one. They will see that your gift of sight is fulfilled. Your gift will be honored by our Lions Eye Bank and we will see that everything possible will be done to provide better vision for a needy person. This is our way to

Thank you once again. Without the help of the gracious people of Spearman and the Panhandle, we would not be where

Sincerely, Frosty Hickerson Lions Eye Bank District 2-TI President What is an eye donation?

Eye donation actually involves transplantation of the cornea which is the clear central portion of the eye that lets light in. Behind the cornea are the iris and pupil which are never transplanted. Corneal ransplantation is used to treat corneal blindness and other condition.

Can the whole eye be transplanted?

No, the vast number of nerves that connect the retina to the brain make it impossible to transplant he whole eye. Many people benefit from the transplantation of parts of the eye however.

I don't think my patient can be an eye donor because: They have been dead for an hour or more. Our standards allow us plenty of time to recover

eye tissue. If the donor has not been refrigerated, we have up to 10 hours to recover the tissue. If he donor has been refrigerated, we have 18-20 hours. · My patient is too old. Our upper limit for donation is 70 years of age. There is no scientific evidence that proves a correlation between donor age and graft success. The transplantibility of the cornea depends on its condition at the time of death. Proper postmortem eye care plays a vital role. Children under 2 years of age can be donors but their corneas must be transplanted into children of

· This patient died of...and isn't suitable for donation. There are many causes of death that are acceptable for eye donation. Cancer in most cases is acceptable. Since the cornea is vascular, cancer can't metastasize to it. Lymphoma and leukemia have a different mechanism. These blood cell and lymphatic cancers may have viral components and White Blood Cells are occasionally observed

in the periphery of the cornea and either may pose a risk of transmission. The family is too upset to discuss donation. There are many reactions to the loss of a loved one. Many families are comforted by the knowledge that their loved one can help someone to see again. Our personnel are specially trained to discuss donation with grieving families. Their experience in working with families everyday makes the discussion of donation a positive one for the family regardless of whether they choose to donate or not.

What should I do?

1. Obviously the family should be treated with respect. This includes respecting their right to make their own informed decision about eye, organ and tissue donation.

2. Not approach the family about donation. New Federal guidelines from HCFA specify that only specially trained personnel should approach families regarding donation. Studies have shown a bet-

ter outcome for families when they are approached by the recovery agency's trained staff.

3. You should call within one hour of the patient's death. The call will take about 5 minutes and you will need the patient's chart. You do not have to wait for the patient to be pronounced by a physician

4. Call us if you or the family has questions about eye, organ and tissue donation. There are trained personnel available to answer questions 24 hours a day.

Texas Railroad Commission Adopts Emergency Rule

### **Small Business Disaster** Loans Available

Businesses in some Oklahoma, Arkansas, Colorado, Kansas, New Mexico, Missouri and Texas counties can now apply for low interest Economic Injury Disaster Loans from the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA). These loans are available to help businesses meet normal operating expenses that cannot be met due to the effects of a disaster. Excessive heat and drought that occurred beginning from July 1, 2000 may have resulted in diminished income for some farmers and ranchers and leaving an adverse economic effect on businesses who depend on these

Farmers and ranchers are not eligible for this loan program but may be eligible for disaster assistance through other Federal agencies. However, nurseries that are victims of drought disasters can apply. Businesses in Hansford County are eligible to apply.

To obtain an application or to receive additional information, interested business owners may call the SBA toll-free at 1(800) 366-6303 or TDD at (817) 267-4688 for the hearing impaired. The deadline for filing an application is July 2, 2001.

### 3rd Annual Celebrity Livestock Judging Contest

The Seward County Community College Agriculture Department recently completed the Third Annual Celebrity Livestock Judging Contest. This event brings together SCCC alumni, college employees, area businesses and agricultural producers to raise money for the agricultural scholarships through the SCCC Development Foundation.

This year's brought in over \$5,000, the largest total raised in the short history of the contest.

Each celebrity raised between \$300 and \$425 for the ag program.

Top Ten Individuals Overall: Frank Swan, Johnson - 1st; Todd Thrasher, Texhoma, OK - 2nd; Aaron Preator, Lubbock - 3rd; Lenny Pechey, Spearman - 4th; Charliss Ruff, Hanston - 5th; Seth Owensby, Liberal - 6th; Kent Williams, Liberal - 7th; Sam Skinner, Hugoton - 8th; Clay Louderback, Liberal - 9th; and Justin Wallace, Liberal - 10th

The top ten individual winners in the SCCC Celebrity Livestock Judging Contest were: Justin Wallace, Liberal, KS; Kent Williams, Liberal; Lenny Pechey, Spearman; Seth Owensby, Liberal, KS; Aaron Preator, Lubbock; Sam Skinner, Hugoton, KS; Charliss Ruff, Hanston; Todd Thrasher, Texhoma, OK; Clay Louderback, Liberal, KS; and Frank Swan, Johnson.

The Texas Railroad Commission adopted an emergency rule on November 28 prohibiting gas utility providers from disconnecting the heat during the winter months.

At least 21 people died in 1999

from hypothermia, many of them over 60 years of age, and many of them in their own homes. Without adequate heat, many people, especially the elderly, are in danger long before the temperature drops to

'Our action today protects disadvantaged Texans, especially children and the elderly when winter temperatures drop towards freezing," said Williams. "We do not want Texans forced to choose between home heat and other needs

Under the new rule:

· Natural gas utility companies may not disconnect a customer on a day when the previous day's temperature in the county where the customer takes service fell below 40 degrees Fahrenheit and the National Weather Service predicts that the temperature in the county will fall below that level during the next 24

· Providers may not disconnect service to a delinquent residential customer for a billing period in which the provider receives a pledge, letter of intent, purchase order, or other notification from an energy assistance provider that is forwarding sufficient payment to

continue service.

· Providers may not disconnect service to a delinquent residential customer on a day, or on a day immediately preceding a day, when personnel of the provider are not available for the purpose of receiving payment or making collections or reconnecting service.

· Providers are also encouraged to offer customers a deferred payment plan as set forth in the

Commission's quality of service rule 16 TAC∞ 7.45 (2) or a level or average payment plan.

Text of the emergency rule will be Railroad provided on the Commission Web site at www.rrc.state.tx.us.

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### Hansford County Farm Service Agency Announces Changes

 Pay Limits have been increased to \$150,000 for crop year 2000. Change to Loss of Beneficial Interest Provisions for 2000: Subject to certain conditions, a producer who is otherwise eligible to receive a loan or LDP will be allowed to receive a marketing loan gain or LDP on an eligible crop produced in 2000, even though the producer has already market ed the commodity. If you have been told that your crop no longer had Beneficial Interest, please call the office. You may be eligible for payment. The local rates for LDP's may now be accessed on-line at www.fsa.usda.gov/daft/psd/ldp

#### Thank You

Joe and I would like to say Thank You to everyone for their prayers, cards, risits, food and flowers during my illness.

Once again we are overwhelmed by the love and generosity of the people of Spearman, We love each and every one of you.

Joe and Nita Bynum

The Gladiola Flower Club wants to thank KRDF, the Hansford County Reporter-Statesman, those showing their homes and all who attended the 2000 Home Tour.

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# Among by Helen Fisher The Heighbors

Undoubtedly Virginia Head and Butch and Mary Ann Lasater would welcome each other's family into either home, but last week for Thanksgiving, Ronnie and Della Head of Carlsbad spent the weekend with Virginia and joined other relatives Spearman Thanksgiving dinner with Jo McLaughlin.

The Lasaters enjoyed having their laughters, Laci and Bobby Murray with son, Max of Amarillo, as well as their other daughter, Mendy and Chad Riggens with son, Cadon from Lubbock. Cass made the gathering complete for the weekend.

The two items sort of intermingled in last week's column - apolo-

Eulalie and W.R. Greever's Thanksgiving company have left after ten days here. Their daughter, Billie Joan and Leslie Reynolds, with Jan of San Antonio returned to their home late last week.

Other guests for Thanksgiving weekend were their granddaughter, Heather Batson and a friend from Plano. Their grandson, Troy Batson also visited with his wife and baby from McKinney.

Robert Darin and Stephen Greever were co-hosts with their

Selma Reneau and Ruth Knudson had a pleasant weekend in Amarillo when they attended the annual Juletrefest Day of Sunday. This is the annual Christmas dinner by the Norwegian Association of Texas.

After a bountiful dinner, there is entertainment and a silent auction and much visiting. The entertainment was superb with the Folkdancers Amarillo. This group have won several awards.

Selma's son Jean and his daughter. Christine are members and were performers on this occasion.

It is with regret that the neighbors learn that long-time Spearman resident has sold her home and is moving to Amarillo. Martha Haden is leaving Saturday. She sold her home to James and Kara McDowell of Guthrie.

Martha, the daughter of the H.W. Caytons moved here with her sister and two brothers in 1944 when she was in the 7th grade.

Her parents are now deceased; her sister, Mary Jane DeArmond lives in Roswell; her brother Wally lives in Amarillo with his wife and her brother James lives in Wheatland,

One of Martha's sons, Billy Ray, his wife and three children live in Amarillo. During her years here,

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Martha worked in the County Tax Collector's office for 30 years. She married Billy Haden in 1952 and lived in England while he was stationed there in military service. He passed away in 1999.

She has been active in the choir and pianist at the First Methodist

Martha stated that she is sad to leave friends in Spearman and will welcome their visits in Amarillo. Her address will be 3630 Brennan Blvd, Apt 28-B, Amarillo, Texas 79121 - these are the Windtree Apartments.

All wish her comfort and pleasure in her new home and thank her for all her accommodations in her years

Weather report for the week of November 27 through 7 a.m. December 4: the highest temp was on the 30th at 68 degrees; the lowest on the 2nd at 19 degrees. No

Reports from those making the Home Tour and those providing it are that it was very successful and interesting. The pleasant, though chilly weather, the gracious hosts and hostesses, the various decor in decorations around the homes com-

bined to make it an achievement.

Always comes the wrenching question "Why?" when a young person is taken from this life and left here are the old, the suffering and many who are ready to go. Such sentiment follows the untimely death of 33-year-old Bob Jarvis. His service was Friday morning at the First Baptist Church. Interment was at Lieb Cemetery, near his father, Tom Jarvis who died last July.

His grief-stricken widow, mother, grandmother and other relatives can find solace in the knowledge that he went quickly with no suffering.

Bob was fatally injured in a vehicle accident on highway #207 north of Stinnett.

### The Gruver Grapevine

All Region Band Nine junior high band students were selected for the all region band and five others chosen as alternates

Junior High Students Make

in tryouts Tuesday, November 28, in Panhandle. Chosen from Gruver were Mary Watkins, seventh chair clarinet; Angelica Huerta, eighth chair trumpet; David Parker, second chair French horn; Jessica Vela, fifth

chair French horn; Ben Williams, first chair baritone; Stephen Salazar sixth chair baritone; Shoulders, seventh chair tuba; Ryan Winger, eighth chair tuba; and Bradley Clawson fourth chair

Alternates were Montgomery, first alternate French horn; Valerie Burnam, first alternate baritone; Steven Villegas, first alternate tuba; Cesar Ortiz, second alternate tuba; and Sarah Mireles, first alternate bells.

Students earning a position in the all region band will rehearse and present a concert on the campus of West Texas A&M University on January 12 and 13.

Vehicle Destroyed by Fire

A 1996 Plymouth Voyager belonging to Benny McCullough was completely destroyed by fire

McCullough was enroute to Spearman to have repairs on the vehicle when the fire occurred four

miles south of Gruver. The Gruver Volunteer Fire Department responded to the call.

Christmas Festivities Slated

The kindergarten class will pres-nt the play, "Bob Humbug" on ent the play, "Bob Humbug" on Wednesday, December 13. The time of the play was not available at press time but may be obtained by calling the elementary office, 733-

The high school's salute to the Christmas season will be held on Friday, December 22, in the school auditorium. The GHS band will perform their Christmas concert, and high schoolers will present a Christmas play. The holiday offer-

at approximately 10:45.

Christmas parties will be held in the junior high beginning at 10:30-

#### Schools to Dismiss Early for Holiday

Gruver schools will dismiss at noon on Friday, December 22, for the Christmas and New Year's holi-

Classes will resume on Monday, January 8, 2001.

#### Get Well Wishes

Mary Gruver underwent knee replacement surgery on Monday, December 4, at Baptist St Anthony's Hospital. She will be moved to the St. Anthony's campus for rehabilitation later this week.

Senior Chase Lamb received eight stitches in his lip this weekend after suffering a snow skiing accident.

Loyal Hound supporter Hugh Bell was injured in the line of duty Friday night when he fell over a pipe railing in the parking lot of Gruver High School. Bell, who had attended the junior varsity tourna-ment, was taken to Hansford County Hospital where he was treated for multiple facial cuts and bruises and a shoulder injury

Bell was able to attend church on Sunday but may require additional treatment for his shoulder injury.

#### Junior High Students Scheduled for College Test

Fourteen Gruver Junior High students have qualified to participate in Duke University's Talent Search

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The students will take the ACT Assessment, a test normally taken only by college bound junior and senior students. From the results of the tests, students may receive national recognition.

Eligible participants are Lauren Bergin, Crispin Borunda, Lindsey Clift, Rachelle Holt, Justin Horton, Mike Lora, Matt Messer, Sarah Mireles, Samantha Myatt, Stephen Salazar, Reid Winger, Kelly Jones, Rafael Perez, and Allison Reid.

#### Team to Work in El Salvador

Five members of the First Baptist Church will be traveling to El Salvador to aid in a crusade January 4 - 16. Making the journey will be Bob Adams, Jim and Sue Deakin, Richie Fletcher, and Bill Hadley.

#### Athletes Receive Academic Recognition

Thirteen GHS football players were named to the District 1-A Academic list.

They include junior Kade Carthel and seniors Chad Clift, James Crow, Brad Clawson, Kirby Johnson, Chase Lamb, Cory Schneider, Clint Swink, Chad TeBeest, Anthony Villalobos, David Villegas, Taos Weldon, and Aaron

Pheasant Season to Open The population of Hansford

County could double or triple this weekend with the opening of the annual pheasant season.

Despite a dry summer, pheasant numbers are high. Several local organizations will be hosting events for hunters including Alpha Mu Psi Sorority who will host a hunters breakfast from 5:30-7:30 a.m. in the Gruver Schools Cafeteria .There will also be a raffle tickets available for two \$300 gift certificates.

Teams Gear Up for Tourney Both the Hounds and Lady Hounds will be competing in the

Sunray Tournament this weekend. The Hounds open play on Thursday with a 1:00 p.m. game with Vega in gym #1 while the Lady Hounds will play Hartley Thursday at 8:30 a.m. (yes a.m.) in gym 2.

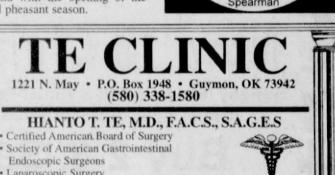
If the Hounds win Thursday, they will play at 4 p.m. Friday while a loss would bring a 10:00 a.m. game on Friday.

The Lady Hounds will play at 11:30 a.m. on Friday following a win or 8:30 a.m. (yes a.m.) following a loss.



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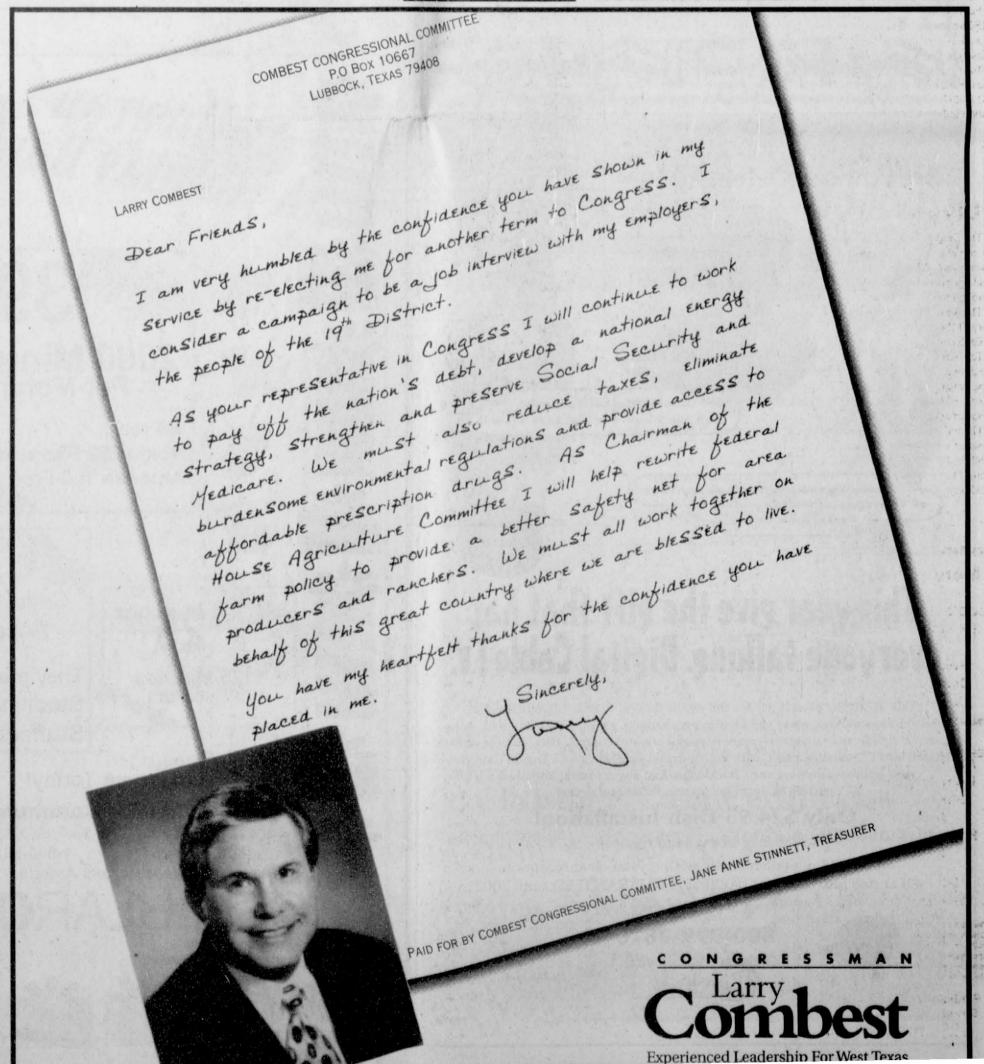
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### Lynx Basketball Schedule

Spearman Lynx & Lynxettes 2000-2001 Basketball Schedule

Det 7-9	Opponent @ Hugoton Varsity Tourney	9G	<u>9B</u>	JVG	JVB	VG TBA	VB TBA	
000 7-0	@ Dumas 9th-JV Tourney	TBA	TBA	TBA	TBA	101	,	
Dec 11	@ Wellington	TBA	10/1	1011	1071			
Dec 12	*Sunray	1 W/s		5:00		6:30		
Dec 15	@ *Highland Park			5:00		6:30		
Dec 19	*West Texas			5:00	5:00	6:30	8:00	
Dec 28-30	Clarendon Varsity Tourn.					TBA	TBA	
Jan 2	@ *Clarendon			5:00	5:00	6:30	8:00	
Jan 4-6	@ Perryton 9th Grade Tourney	TBA	TBA					
Jan 12	*Panhandle			5:00	5:00	6:30	8:00	
Jan 15	Panhandle	TBA						
Jan 16	@ *Sunray			5:00	5:00	6:30	8:00	
Jan 19	*Highland Park			5:00	5:00	6:30	8:00	
Jan 22	Sunray	5:00						
Jan 23	@ *West Texas			5:00	5:00	6:30	8:00	
Jan 26	*Clarendon			5:00	5:00	6:30	8:00	
Jan 29	West Texas	5:00						
Jan 30	@ *Wellington			4:00	5:00	6:30	8:00	
Feb 2	*Canadian			5:00	5:00	6:30	8:00	
Feb 5	@ Canadian	7:30						
Feb 6	@ *Panhandle			5:00	5:00	6:30	8:00	
Feb 9	*Sunray				6:30		8:00	
Feb 13	@ *Highland Park				6:30		8:00	





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### Greyhound Basketball Schedule

Gruver Greyhounds & Lady Hounds 2000-2001 Basketball Schedule

2000-2001 Basketball Schedule										
Dec 7-9	Opponent  @ Sunray Varsity Tourn.	9G	9B	JVG	JVB	VG TBA	VB TBA			
Dec 12	Hooker, OK			5:00	5:00	6:30	8:00			
Dec 15	@ Perryton			5:00	5:00	6:30	8:00			
Dec 21	Nazareth @ WTAMU			4:00	5:15	6:30	8:00			
Dec 28-30	@ Canadian Varsity Tourn.					TBA	TBA			
Jan 2	@ Vega			4:00	5:15	6:30	8:00			
Jan 5	@ Goodwell, OK			4:00	5:15	6:30	8:00			
Jan 9	Нарру			5:00	5:00	6:30	8:00			
Jan 12	Turpin, OK			5:00	5:00	6:30	8:00			
Jan 16	@ Нарру			4:00	5:15	6:30	8:00			
Jan 19	@ *Stratford			4:00	5:15	6:30	8:00			
Jan 23	*Booker			5:00	5:00	6:30	8:00			
Jan 26	@ *Boys Ranch			4:00	5:15	6:30	8:00			
Jan 30	@ *Booker			4:00	5:15	6:30	8:00			
Feb 2	*Stratford			5:00	5:00	6:30	8:00			
Jan 6	*Boys Ranch			5:00	5:00	6:30	8:00			

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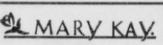
Rachel and Gaylord Cook

### **Gruver Greets New Minister**

Gruver is welcoming new Gruver Church of Christ minister Gaylord Cook and his wife Rachel to the

Moving from Seagraves, Texas, Cook began ministerial duties on October 1. The Cooks are acquainted with many in Hansford County as they resided in Spearman from 1979-1985 where Gaylord was minister of the Church of Christ. Cook has also preached at the Denver Avenue Church of Christ of Dalhart and has served as a volunteer chaplain at the Dalhart prison.

Children of the couple are Gay Lynn (Mrs. Darrell) Bonjour of Amarillo and Kim (Mrs. Timothy) Jones of Chesapeak, Virginia. The Cooks also have five grandsons.



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Rachel enjoys sewing, writing to friends, and antiquing while both the Cooks enjoy attending their grandsons' athletic events of football, baseball, and wrestling.

The Cooks are excited to make their home again in Hansford County and look forward to meeting those residents they have yet to meet. Gaylord states, "Gruver has been so warm and friendly. We already feel at home. Our door is always open to others.'

#### Hospital **Auxiliary Meets**

The Hansford Hospital Auxiliary met Monday, December 4, 2000 at the Palo Duro Cafe for lunch and their meeting.

President Jackie Graham presided. Treasurer Mary Fern Terry gave the report of purchases from the

1999 Christmas Card Fund. New members Judy Nelson, Harriet Hutchison and June Patterson were welcomed.

Next regular meeting will be in April with installation of officers. After their regular meeting, all adjourned to the Hospital and Manor to decorate for Christmas.

Those attending are as follows: Mary Fern Terry, Jackie Graham, Teresa Kirk, Ora Lee Blackburn, Rosa Lee Butt, Virginia Head, Judy Nelson, Verna Brown, Alva Garner, Frances Cudd, Beth Phelps, Peggy Ellsworth, Harriett Hutchison, June Patterson, June Jackson, Mary K. Harbour, Betty Davis, Dorothy Lusby, Judy Yarborough and Callie, Carol Sell, Margarette Evans

#### Spearman Chamber of Commerce Meets

On Thursday, November 9, 2000, the Board of Directors met at noon at IV's Hungry Cowboy. Members present were Diane Maxwell, Sharion Cook, Carolyn McLeod, and Gina Gillispie. Absent were Scot Martin, Bruce Stinson, Kim

Brock, Robert Patrick and Linda

President Carolyn McLeod called the meeting to order. Gina reported that the Artist in Residency Program was a wonderful success. Gina will pay the expenses associated with the week, which are in addition to the regular budget items. Sharion made a motion, with a second from Diana, to move \$2000 from Chamber Savings into the general checking account. Motion carried.

Retail Merchants: Carolyn report-ed that the Retail Merchants would meet quarterly and begin the year in January with a planning session to discuss the program of work and the year's calendar.

WDSCC: Diane stated that Cindy Blackman was on the radio to discuss the Chamber Banquet and the decorations. The theme will be "Civic Pride" and will be held Saturday, January 14. After some discussion about a dance, Gina will fax the board for comments.

Carolyn reported the following seven were nominated to serve on the Board of Directors: Rosie Martinez (Golden Spread Sales Co.), Justin Boyd (North Plains Insurance), Lenny Pecha (First State Bank), Rosalee Bueno (First State Bank), Sergio Vargas (Sergio's), Missy Bates (Dreamer's Salon), and Paige Pickering (First National Bank). Carolyn also reported that she has asked Lynanne Maize and Bill Pittman to serve as advisors to the President. Both have agreed.

Gina and Carolyn will visit the City, County and SISD to ask for Ex-officio members to represent each entity and serve in an advisory capacity to the Chamber.

With no further business, the

meeting was adjourned.

**Pringle-Morse** School Board Meeting

Meetings & Minutes

Board members present: Lonnie Clemmons, Monty Dixon, Jerry Hart, Alan Leach, Carolyn Shields, Betty Womble and Bob Zimmer.

Administration Superintendent Linda Kay Barnhart and Business Manager Paige Speck. Guests present: Kristina Howell and Connie McCloy.

A quorum was established and the meeting was called to order at 6:15 p.m. by President Alan Leach.

Connie McCloy addressed the Board in open forum on the subject of teacher absences.

Kristina Howell appeared before the Board with plans to spearhead a fundraising group, "Pringle-Morse Playground Partners," with the goal of raising funds to be used to purchase playground equipment for the school.

Business Manager Speck gave the financial report, which consisted of budget update, cash position and review of expenditures.

Jerry Hart moved to approve the consent agenda, which consisted of:

· October 10, 2000 minutes; •Approval of Sandra Blankenship, Dana Coldiron, Gayle Irwin, Lori Limbocker and Lori Sparks to the 2000-01 textbook committee; the motion was seconded by Monty Dixon and carried 7-0.

Bob Zimmer moved to use the previously allotted \$3000 for playground upgrade in the following priority order: 1. Mulch under jungle gyms;

Remove merry-go-round and monkey bars;

Jerry Hart seconded the motion and it carried 7-0.

Carolyn Shields moved to authorize Superintendent Barnhart to dispose of Acer computers; the motion was seconded by Lonnie Clemmons

and carried 7-0. Lonnie Clemmons moved to approve policy CI (Local), School Properties Disposal - first reading; Jerry Hart seconded the motion and it carried 7-0.

Monty Dixon moved to decline to sell fence; the motion was seconded by Jerry Hart and carried 7-0.

Jerry Hart moved to amend the first sentence of GKD (Local), Community Relations: Use of School Facilities - first reading, to read: "Designated District facilities shall be available for use by groups or individuals that reside within the District.

In her report, Superintendent Barnhart:

· Stated that she has completed her yearly appraisals.

· Reported current enrollment of-101 students

· Gave a facilities maintenance report

• Briefed the Board on legisla-

Reported the results of the Texas
 Remark Reading Inventory
 Announce the Board/Faculty

Christmas Party on December 7 · Announced regular Board meeting on December 12

•Announced Board/Superinten-dent Christmas Party on December Reported various cafeteria

changes/improvements The meeting was adjourned by general consent at 10:40 p.m on

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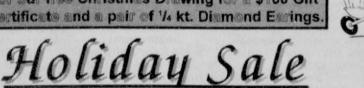




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Kasey Harris steels the ball from a Canadian Wildcat during their final game of the Lake Meredith Classic Tournament. The Hounds overcame the Wildcats 83-44. (Photo by Charlie Johnson)

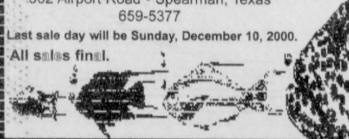


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(Picture at Left) Mixing brains and brawn, thirteen members of the Gruver High School Hound football team were named to the all-district academic list. Seated from left to right are David Villegas, Kade Carthel, Chase Lamb, Kirby Johnson, and Cory Schneider. Back row: James Crow, Bradley Duncan, Chad TeBeest, Clint Swink, Anthony Villalobos, and Aaron Weller. To qualify for selection. athletes were required to have a 90 or above average in each subject for the first two six weeks. Not pictured are Taos Weldon and Chad Clift.

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### Spearman Basketball News

The Lynx and Lynxettes traveled to Miami to play their first game in the Miami Invitational Tournament on Thursday, November 30. The Lynxettes played Follett at 9:00 a.m. but came up a little short as they were defeated by Follett 37-34. They made a run at the end of the game and almost pulled it out, but time expired before they could overcome a 12 point deficit late in week end which will help them to Season Record: 4-4

The Lynx also played Follett on did a super job! Congratulations! Thursday and had a close game. They played very well for the second game of the season and they came out on top 65-61.

Friday: The Lynx and Lynxettes Place: Spearman both won today and they will both Season Record: 2-3 be in action Saturday. The Lynxettes defeated Booker by a Lynxettes 8 score of 47-37. They played much Trinity Fell. 7 the first half, but broke the game block out better on defense. open in the third quarter as they went on a 27-4 run.

Saturday: The Lynxettes won Place: Maimi Tournament both of their games on Saturday to win consolation in the Miami the first game and then had to Follett game to defeat Allison to win contheir games, but were defeated by but it was too late by then.

two very good teams. The Lynx got beat by a very good Fort Elliott Date: 12-1-00 team by three points and then had to turn around an hour and a half later and play the Borger JV team. They had a good team and since the Lynx just aren't in tip top shape Booker in the tournament.

The Lynx and Lynxettes got Date: 12-2-00 some valuable game time this Place: Maimi Tournament get ready for district. Both teams

Spearman Lynxette

Date: 11-28-00

Score by Quarters 20 16 9 53 better today and hopefully they Coach Short Says: We played well will get on a roll and continue to in the 2nd and 3rd quarters. We Lynxettes 4 get better and better. The Lynx also caused turnovers and got better beat Booker by a score of 70-47. offensively. We went to the boards The Lynx got off to a slow start in better on offense, but we must

> Date: 12-1-00 Season Record: 2-4

Score by Quarters Tourney. They defeated McLean in Lynxettes 6 12 3 13 34 the first game and then had to Follett 10 8 14 5 37 come from behind in their second Coach Short Says: We had two really bad quarters. We played our solation. The Lynx lost both of bet basketball the last 3 minutes,

Place: Maimi Tournament

Season Record: 3-4 Score by Quarters 17 9 19 47 12 7 13 37 Lynxettes yet, they came up a little short. Coach Short Says: We played 3 of Spearman ended up earning fourth our best quarters after a slow start.

Score by Quarters
Lynxettes 13 21 17 23 74
McLean 4 10 10 17 41 Coach Short Says: We caused 30 turnovers and shot a lot better. The free throw percentage was the best this year.

Date: 12-2-00 Place: Maimi Tournament Season Record: 5-4 Score by Quarters

Allison 10 10 6 4 Coach Shorts Says: We won the consolation trophy. It was a long hard day. We played two games in a matter of hours. It is always a good day when you can win two basketball games in one day. Spearman JV Lynxette Date: 11-28-00

Place: Spearman Season Record: 2-5 Score by Quarters

Lynxettes 9 17 10 12 48 Trinity Fell. 4 7 Coach Walker's Comments: Good effort. Without much depth in this game, the girls had to play tired. We had pretty good defensive intensity the second half.



After playing a close game

ters, the Hounds fell victim to

empty basket syndrome in

Aaron Weller 3, Kasey

Harris 5, Kade Carthel 10, Brady Hart 7, Kirby Johnson

8, Chad Howe 5, Cory

Schneider 2, Chad Clift 5,

After a first close quarter,

the Hounds shooting took a

nose-dive in the second quar-

ter. In sync the third quarter,

the Hounds scored 16 points

while keeping Perryton to 7

points to lower the margin to before falling to the

Rangers in the fourth quarter. Anthony Villalobos 3, Brady Hart 12, Jason

Shoulders 3, Kasey Harris 8,

Kirby Johnson 2, Cory

Schneider 9, Aaron Weller 2.

GHS Hounds 57 Panhandle

In regular season play on

Tuesday, November 28, a

close game with Panhandle

turned into a Panther victory

when the Hounds field and

free throw shooting went

Senior Brady Hart had a big

Anthony

night, pouring in 30 points

aided by sharp passes from

Brady Hart 30, Chad Clift 2,

cold in the fourth quarter.

guard

second

Meredith

the second half.

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GHS Hounds

Tourney 12-1-00 Gruver 39 Perryton 57

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### JV Tourney Held

Hounds- first game, Gruver JV Tourney Gruver 38 West Texas High

Bryn Lowe 4, Jenny Hart 4,

Ashley Sherrill 2, Kristina Christian 9, Kayce Howe 4, Lori Swink 1, Kasey Cazares 8, Sammie Johnson 6, Carley Bryson 1.

game- Gruver JV Tourney Gruver 20 Sunray 42

Bryn Lowe 2, Jenny Hart 2, Ashley Sherrill 1, Kristina Christian 5, Lori Swink 6, Kasey Cazares 2, Sammie Johnson 1, Carley Bryson 1.

JV Lady Hounds - third game, Gruver tourney Gruver 29 Stratford 21

Bryn Lowe 2, Jenny Hart 6, 10, Sammie Johnson 2, Carley Bryson 2

played Panhandle in regular season play on Tuesday, November 28.

Lady Hound JV 35 Panhandle 38 Bryn Lowe 4, Jenny Hart 2,

Ashley Sherrill 8, Julie May Kayce Howe 3, Lori Swink 9, Sammie Johnson 7.

Results of the Gruver JV boys were not available at press time. Complete listing of their games will be forth-

Lady Hounds Handle Panhandle 11-28-00 Gruver 54 Panhandle 34

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GHS Hounds - first game Carthel 6, Cory Lake Meredith Tournament Schneider 2, Kasey Harris 6. Hugo Hernandez 4 Hounds 45 Panhandle 66

Villalobos.

Anthony

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**Gruver Basketball Update** Trailing at the end of the Gruver Lady Hounds - sec-

ond game Lake Meredith

Teal Armes 2, Amy Watley

2, Lindsey Messer 15, Tessa Yanke 2, Lisa Johnson 2,

Gruver Lady Hounds -third game Lake Meredith Tourney 12-1-00

The Lady Hounds were

Teal Armes 14, Christi Clift

HOT, and their shooting

6, Amy Watley 6, Lindsey

Messer 15, Brandi Griffin 8,

Tessa Yanke 6, Lisa Johnson

16, Kaylee Holt 2, Sammie

Stavlo 2, Cassie Myatt 2,

**Hounds Mark** 

Improvement

the Lake Meredith Classic

Tournament, the Hounds

overcame the Canadian

Wildcats 83-44. It was a dou-

ble victory for the Hounds

who not only took the win

but made rapid strides in

Pouring in buckets for the

Hounds were Jason Shoulders 15, Brady Hart 20,

Cory Schneider 2, Anthony

Hernandez 8, Kirby Johnson 11, Chad Howe 5, Kasey Harris 3, Aaron Weller 3,

Greg Ehrenberg 4, Clint

Swink 4, and James Crow 1.

Hugo

clicking as a team.

Hounds

Villalobos

Playing for seventh place in

Gruver 85 Fritch 47

Gruver 55 Borger 72

Tourney 12-1-00

Sammie Stavlo 28.

game was on.

Courtney Goad 8.

Hounds, playing solid basketball, amassed a twenty point lead by the fourth quarter to completely dominate the Lady Panthers.

Scoring for the Lady Hounds were Teal Armes 6, Christi Clift 2, Amy Watley 10, Brandi Griffin 2, Tessa Yanke 6, Lisa Johnson 8, Kaylee Holt 4, Sammie JV Lady Hounds - second Stavlo 12, and Cassie Myatt

> Competing in the Lake Classic Meredith Tournament in Fritch, the Lady Hounds fell in overtime to Canadian, 54-61 in the consolation game.

Although leading much of the game, the Lady Hounds down by one point in the fourth quarter with 37 sec-Julie May 1, Kasey Cazares onds remaining, tied the game with a free throw by Sammie Stavlo.

In overtime, the Lady The junior varsity girls Hounds began on a a threepoint boost by Stavlo, but their luck quickly changed with the fouling out of Amy Watley and Lisa Johnson.

Amy Watley 12, Lindsey Messer 10, Brandi Griffin 1 Lisa Johnson 8, Kaylee Holt 4, Sammie Stavlo 19.

Lady Hounds - first game, Lake Meredith Tourney 11-Gruver 55 West Texas High

Teal Armes 7, Christi Clift 3, Amy Watley 4, Brandi Griffin 7, Tessa Yanke 11, Lisa Johnson 7, Sammie

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IN SPEARMAN

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#### LEGAL NOTICE

The Gruver Independent School District will receive bids until 4:00 PM on December 18, 2000 for a Student and Financial accounting system. Bids will be opened on Tuesday, December 19, 2000 at 6:00 in the Gruver ISD board room. Specifications are available at the Gruver ISD Business Office, P.O. Box 650, Gruver, TX 79040.

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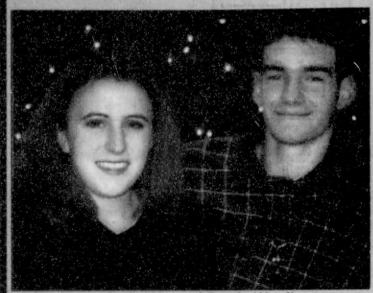
Space is limited a only first 25 children, ages 4-7, to register

may attend. The cost is \$8.00 per child.

For reservations, call Cindy Blackman at 659-3233.

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### SHS November Students Of The Month



Angela Pipkin and Brady Woolley

Brady Woolley, son of Joey and Lyn Woolley and Angela Pipkin, daughter of Roy and Frances Pipkin represent Spearman High School for the month of November.

Brady is a member of National Honor Society and First United Methodist Youth. He has participated in basketball, cross country and track. In his spare time, Brady and his dad build jeeps. Having successfully built three already, Brady plans to start work on a fourth.

He plans to attend college in Colorado to earn a degree in engi-

Angela is active in debate, having placed 1st in districts in 1999, 1st in districts 2000 and 1st in regionals 2000. She competed at state in UII.

She is active in One-Act Play which advanced to area last year. She is also a member of National Honor Society.

She has participated in seminary, a four-year program with her church, from which she will graduate in May.

She will attend Texas Tech, majoring in political science. She plans to be active in the Forensic Science Program and attend law school.

### Auxiliary Heads Operation Christmas Greeting

The Hansford Hospital Auxiliary is asking once again for your donations for our annual fund raiser. This money is used to purchase equipment and supplies that are not hudgeted at the Hospital and Manor.

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**Dorothy Lusby** 

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The library will be closed on Monday, Dec. 11

for new computer installation and networking upgrades.

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#### Spearman School Board Meeting

On November 13, 2000, the Board of Trustees of the Spearman Independent School District met in regular session at 7 p.m.

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

\*Spearman Junior High and Spearman High School received certificates from TEA for recognized performance on the TAAS test during the 1999-2000 school year..

In action items, the school board:
• approved consent items:

∞Minutes of regular meeting on October 9, 2000 and called meeting of October 11, 2000

∞Paying the bills in the amount of \$175,874.50.

→ awarded the gas and diesel bid

to Spearman Equity for the month of December 2000.

approved the financial report as

approved the auditor's report from Cornell and Company, P.C. for the year ending August 31,

approved resolution to appointed nominee Butch Reed to serve a two-year term on the Board of Directors of the Hansford County Appraisal District.

approved the request of Brenda Plerson for thirty-day sick leave.

 approved the resolution supporting a uniform statewide fully funded group health insurance plan for retired and active school employees.

\* approved Update 64 (legal) policies as recommended by TASB Policy Service and according to the instruction sheet for TASB Localized Policy Manual Update 64.

Tabled action for awarding bids for bleacher replacement in the Varsity Oym.

In Items Discussed, the school board.

discussed the criteria to identify at-risk students and the number of at-risk students at each campus.

heard Mr. Sumner review chapter 4-7 of the book, A Framework far Understanding Poverty.
heard Mr. Sumner discuss the

request for an Honorary Diploma for Richard Burk who was called into the service during his senior year at Spearman High School in 1945 and did not receive his high school diploma.

In Information Announcements:

• student enrollment as of November 13, 2000 is 765.

• reviewed substitute teacher usage from Sept. 19 through October 18, 2000.

• provided information that the Spearman Lynx will play Abernathy at 7:30 p.m. on November 17 at Canyon High School.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:22 p.m.

### Hansford County Veterans

Listed below are the names of some of the Hansford County Veterans who were inadvertently left off of last week's list. If you know of others, please call the Hansford County Reporter-Statesman office at 659-

Thank you, Catherine Smith

Fred Dahl John Dahl

Orville Hill
Harry Stumpf

### GHS November Student Of The Month



Gruver High School senior Shea Lowe has been named November Student of the Month. Nominated by her teachers, Shea is a repeat winner of the honor, having been chosen last year as a junior.

Shea is active in Gruver FFA where she has served as an officer and competed in FFA contests. She is a member of National Honor Society and is active in UIL academic competition. She is the daughter of Buddy and Marsha Lowe.

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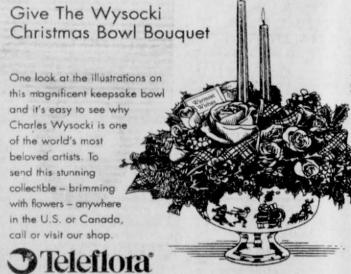
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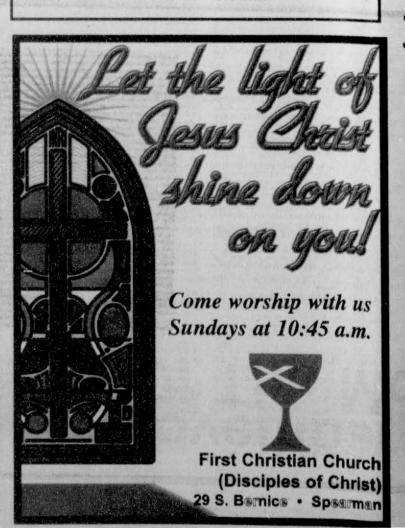
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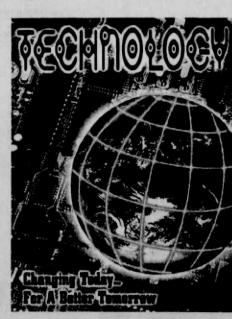
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