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Unofficial totals announced for Tuesday primary election

by JoAnn Morton Editor

Unofficial results of Tuesday's primary elections have been released by Amelia Johnson, Hansford County clerk.

According to unofficial vote totals in the Republican primary, Worley J. Smith defeated Jerry Pat Davis, 93-57, to win a place on the November election ballot for Hansford County Commissioner Precinct 1.

Voters will cast ballots in an April 14 runoff election to decide who will be the Democratic candidate for Hansford County Commissioner Precinct 1. In the primary election on Tuesday, incumbent Dick Gillaspie garnered 72 votes and the nearest competitor was Cathy Patterson, with 45 votes. Those two will be on the April 14

Other Democratic candidates in the Hansford County Commissioner Precinct 1 race, along with their unofficial vote totals, were Ernie Vanderburg, 42; Roscoe L. Nelson, 36; Mike Garnett, 30; and Vance Snider, 15.

In the Democratic race for Hansford County Commissioner Precinct 3, incumbent B.J. Renner defeated challenger Richard Sasser by unofficial vote totals of 99 to 69. Renner will face Republican candidate Kent Guthrie in the November general election for Hansford County Commissioner Precinct 3.

In a rather hotly contested race for 84th Judicial District Judge, Hansford County unofficial vote totals were close for Republicans Phil Black and William D. "Bill"

Smith. Smith scored a narrow victory with 330 votes, as compared with Black's 312 votes.

The Democratic race for Seventh Court of Appeals Justice was also close in Hansford County, with Rick Keffler winning over Carlton B. Dodson by unofficial vote totals of 220 to 206. Keffler will face Republican candidate Jairl Dowell in the November general election.

By law, votes must be canvassed within three days of the election by the respective party election committees, which consist of the party's county chairman and each voting precinct chairman.

According to Hansford County Republican party chairman Roy Bulls, GOP votes will be canvassed on Friday, March 13 and results will be made official.

Gruver Lady Hounds, Greyhounds selected to all-district teams Lady Hounds Greyhounds

by Bob Bort

The fantastic season just completed by the Gruver Lady Hounds, which saw them win the area championship and go to the Regional Tournament at Levelland for the first time in 28 years, did not go unrewarded. All five starters made all-district, and another two made honorable mention all-district. Holly Venneman was selected District 1-A MVP

be arranged by calling 659-3866.

Making all-district from Gruver on the 10-man squad were: 5'9" Junior Post Venneman; 5'10" Sophomore Wing Mika McLain; 5'9" Sophomore Post Wynn Maupin; 5'6" Sophomore Guard Anissa Ryan; and 5'7" Freshman Guard Julie Meyer. Honorable mention all-district selections were: 5'3" Junior Guard Cora Meyer; and 5'4" Freshman Guard Tisha Ralston.

"THE TAFFETAS" (I-r) are Kelly Johnson, Candy Boxwell, Elizabeth Pelton, Cara Johnston and

Liz Allen-Grabber. Amarillo Little Theatre's production of "The Taffetas," a '50s musical, will be

presented Saturday, April 4 at 8 p.m. in the Spearman High School auditorium as a benefit for the

Golden Spread Senior Citizens Center. Tickets are priced at \$8 for adults and \$5 for students.

Tickets are available at the Golden Spread Center or from board members. Delivery of tickets can

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Head Coach Steve Myatt of the Lady Hounds gave the following capsule feelings about each of the

"Holly was our captain, and the best captain I've ever had. She is a natural leader, and she loves the game. I talked her into running cross country this past year, and she did it because she was to be our leader, and it helped her endurance. She has great leadership

"Mika started out strong, then went through a slump, and she

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by Bob Bort

"Leadership and determination are very critical aspects of success, and the unity of the team is where the success and the honors like alldistrict selections come about," according to Greyhound Head Coach Tim Garland. "What the unit did, they did as a whole - each of these kids put the individual honors aside for the sacrifice of the team," he

That said, it is noteworthy that the entire Greyhound starting five was selected to District 1-A alldistrict honors this past week, and another Hound was selected honorable mention all-district.

Here are some comments from Coach Garland on each of the se-

5'10" Senior Guard Marty McCloy-"Our defensive leader. He was the best defensive ballplayer in the district, and he gave us a tremendous amount of spark on the defensive end of the floor.'

6'0" Junior Forward Kevin Spivey - "One of the most improved defensive ballplayers over the year. He was a pure shooter - a kid that could open up a ballgame for us."

6'1" Senior Forward Shannon Pool - "His strength is his rebounding ability. He has good spring, and he did a super job on the boards."

6'2" Senior Post Trent Seagler -"He was the best all-around player

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Trent Seagler

Commissioners' court reappoints hospital board members

by JoAnn Morton Editor

Rosa Lee Butt, Pete Fisher and Jerry Hunt were reappointed to the Hansford County Hospital District Board by the Hansford County Commissioners' Court at the court's Monday, March 9 meeting.

The hospital board terms are for two years, according to Hansford County Judge Jim Brown.

In other business, the commissioners' court set a salary of \$6 per hour for part-time heavy equipment operators for county commissioners.

Commissioners discussed possible utilization of services provided by Oil Filters Recycling Service, which would provide disposal of used oil filters for a fee. Brown explained that certain regulations pertain to the disposal of used oil filters, and the commissioners' court is awaiting more information about those regulations before making a decision to use the ser-

Hansford County received a request from Potter County to join in utilization of a forensic pathology service in Amarillo, at a cost of \$200 per month plus a fee of \$800

each time the service is used. Commissioners decided against joining with the service at this time, because Hansford County requires such services only sporadically, said Brown. He added that the service fees would total \$2,400 per year, while the cost of one autopsy ranges from \$1,500 to \$2,000. The service is used so infrequently that a cost saving would not be realized at this

The court heard a presentation from Monnie Edwards, who proposed that Hansford County participate in the Resource Conservation and Development Planning Area. Brown explained that the program concerns economic development planning for a large region and that many of the same services are now being provided by the Panhandle Regional Planning Commission. Because of the duplication of services, the court decided to remain with PRPC, said Brown.

Regular business for the court included approval of minutes of the previous meeting, approval of the treasurer's report and investments, and approval of claims for

Engineering firm hired for projects

by JoAnn Morton

Editor

The Palo Duro River Authority board, at its Monday, March 9 meeting, decided to hire Brandt Engineers of Amarillo to proceed with planned work at Palo Duro Lake.

The plans discussed are for waste disposal and public drinking water project.

at the lake.

Other business for the PDRA included approval of minutes of the previous meeting, approval of the treasurer's report, approval of claims for payment, and general discussion of the dam and lake

Holly Venneman

Residents, students want school band program reinstated . . . Band proponents take SISD board to task

At the regularly scheduled meeting of the Spearman Independent School District Board of Trustees on Monday, March 9, the trustees heard from 20 parents and students about reinstating a band program, extended contracts to all current teachers in the district and hired a new football coach.

The meeting started off with four of the 20 parents and students speaking to the board, asking that the band program be reinstated for next year. The four speakers were Carolyn Cummings, Rod Fulce, Bernard Pacheco and Brad Delozier. They indicated to the board that the band program, before it was dropped by the board last year, had an important impact on the students that participated

They cited examples in their own families of the positive influence it had on student academic and social development. At the end of her talk, Cummings presented the board with a petition. She said there were 40 names on the petition in support of reinstatement of the band program for next year.

Charles Shieldknight, board president, responded to the band supporters by saying, "We appreciate your input. It (band reinstatement) is not on the agenda tonight, but the board may consider this in the future." He concluded by saying, "I hate to say this, you should have been here last year."

Members of the board indicated that the presence of the parents in support of the band program caused them to postpone action on a request by Charles Elliott, SISD maintenance supervisor, to begin the conversion of the junior high band room to regular classroom

The board voted unanimously to

postpone that decision until the next board meeting. Board member Tom Latta stated, during discussion of the band room project, that the presence of the parents and students at the meeting had caused him to "rethink" the decision to drop the SISD band pro-

During the discussion of the

band hall project, Larry Butler, SISD superintendent, asked Richard Olsen, SISD junior high principal, to elaborate on the increase in classroom space needed for next year. Olsen indicated that at least two new classrooms will be needed at the junior high. One will be needed to accommodate the large 5th grade class expected next year.

P-MCISD board hires 10 teachers

by JoAnn Morton Editor

Approval was given Tuesday night to the employment of 10 teachers for the 1992-93 school year by the Pringle-Morse Consolidated Independent School District Board of Trustees, according to P-MCISD Interim Superintendent Jack Weldon.

Teachers at the Morse school for next year will include Judy Bouldin, Kelly Cates, Dana Hamilton, Denice Hutchinson, Kenton Johnson, Peggy Lewis, Patricia Oefelin, Monica Schmidt, Kathy Stedje and Peggy Wilkinson. The board also accepted the resignation of Rhema D. Harris at the March 10 meeting.

Weldon said the board has received about 30 applications for the position of superintendent, and is in the process of going over the applications and "whittling them down to a manageable number."

He said that the board had a special meeting Monday night to go over applications and will meet again Thursday for the same reason. He added that next week, the board could possibly be in a position to begin calling in applicants for interviews.

In other business, Kindergarten teacher Patricia Oefelin met with the board to discuss a change in format for Kindergarten report cards. The new format, which she will finalize and present later for the board's approval, will provide a more thorough report on students' progress and abilities, said Weldon.

The board is in the process of drafting a new policy which will exclude the administrator's spouse from employment with the Pringle-Morse Consolidated Independent School District, said Weldon, and discussed that policy at Tuesday night's meeting.

Board members voted to apply to the Panhandle Regional Planning Commission for a grant to help pay for sewer improvements

at the school, he said. Approval was given to the textbook committee's report, which is made annually, and the board made a few budget transfers and approved bills for payment.

Next meeting for the P-MCISD board will be Tuesday, April 14 at

The second will be needed to house a secondary special education class being mandated by the Texas Edu-

cation Agency. The board did vote to allow Elliott to hire six student summer workers at \$5 per hour. These workers will be doing maintenance and repair work at the schools. The board voted to hold off on authorizing the moving of a quonset hut type building from the SISD ag farm to the bus barn area. The board put the project on hold until Elliott can bring in more information about the serviceability of the structure. The board did vote to allow Elliott to proceed with arranging for workers to prepare five

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Municipal and School **Board Candidates**

Spearman ISD - 3 pos. Carolyn Gressett (I) Carol Hergert Tom Latta (I) Albert LaRochelle Richey Thompson Reagan Baker

Spearman City - 3 pos. NONE

Gruver ISD - 3 pos. Dennis Stedje (I) Buddy Lowe (I)

Gruver City - 1 pos. Buster Davis (I)

Pringle-Morse CSD - 2 pos. Alan Leach (I)

Kerry Phillips Deadline for filing for these offices is Wednesday, March 18, 1992. Inter ested persons can file at the office of each entity.

Spiritually Speaking

by Rev. Gary Gumfory

The Lord has focused my thoughts upon the experience we all have in common. That experience is death. More explicitly, how we who are left behind deal with the ray of emotions that flood our lives in the days, weeks, and months which follow. We must first understand that even these emotions are God given and that they were all part of the life which Jesus Himself

That part of death which is so overwhelming to those who are left behind is primarily the shadows of doubt which have been cast upon our hope in life. Securities are shifted, goals are changed, and focus is lost on certain parts of our

We are told in Romans 15:4-5, "that through perseverance and the encouragement of the scriptures we might have hope." At first glance the word perseverance might leave one with the impression that we will be left alone to struggle through

lowing verse we find that God gives perseverance and encouragement. It is evident that God desires that our hope in life will not be overshadowed by the experience of death. This hope which is found through perseverance and the encouragement of the scripture is the source of our love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-con-

The Negritos of the Philippines

by Charles H. Ridge, M.D.

Our military had a special relationship with the negritos. These were the aborigines, the social outcasts of the Philippines. They were there when other people migrated to the islands from the Asian main-

They are short (seldom growing over five feet tall), dark-skinned, and have short curly hair. They have their own un written language.

In the Second World War, many of our pilots who had been short down were hidden and helped to escape by the negritos. After the war, General MacArthur promised them, that, since they helped our men when their lives were in danger, our military hospitals would treat them free of charge when their lives were in danger. Though our hospital commanders had no legal right to do so, they felt morally obligated to honor Gen. MacArthur's promise.

patients were critically ill negritos. Most of the guards on the base

were negritos. (All the houses on the base had to have private guards at night to keep their sheets from into the jungle.

our pains by ourselves. But looking further into the fol-

trol. This hope is found in Jesus.

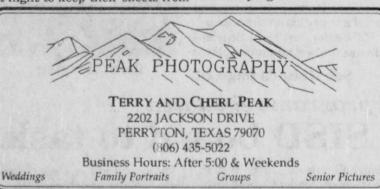
being stolen from their beds.) Once, our guard, knowing I was a physician, brought his brother to my house to ask for my help.

A week previously, he had cut his left foot; the foot, grossly infected, was twice the size of the other foot, and pus was dripping from the cut. The poor man had no money to see a local doctor or buy medicines. I was able to supply him with enough antibiotics to treat the infection

When they first began working as security guards after the war, these fierce people brought machetes to work. When they caught a burglar, he was quickly dispatched, taken over the fence, and buried. Eventually, though, the government made it illegal for them to bring any weapons on base.

The thieves, on the other hand, were always well armed. When intruders were spotted, the negrito guards would usually hide for their Many of our most interesting own safety. Mainly, their employment was continued as an act of kindness.

With our bases closed, the negritos will probably fade back



Good Luck to all participants at the County Livestock Show! come on in to the

Bunkhouse and get your **Garth Brooks Shirt**

> from the

212 Main

659-2476

Hansford Happenings

Spearman Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors will meet for lunch at the Chamber office on Thursday, March 12.

The Hansford County Livestock Show will be conducted Friday and Saturday. March 13 and 14, at the Hansford County Barn in Gruver

Spearman Chamber of Commerce Women's Division meeting will be Wednesday, March 18 at noon at First State Bank in Spearman.

Spearhead Corporation Board will meet Thursday, March 19 at 8 a.m. at the Spearman Chamber of Commerce office.

Saturday, March 21 has been designated as Llon's Club White Cane Day.

A defensive driving course is scheduled for Tuesday and Wednesday, March 24 and 25, from 6 to 10 p.m. each evening at the Hansford County Library. Concerned citizens for the Spearman school band program will meet Monday, March 16 at 7:30 p.m. in the Hospitality Room of First State Bank

Spearman. Anyone Interested in reinstating the band program in Spearman schools is urged to attend. "The TAFFETAS," presented by the Amarillo Little Theatre, is scheduled for April 4 at 8 p.m. in the Spearman High School auditorium. Proceeds will benefit the Golden Spread Senior Citizens Center. Tickets are now on sale at the Golden

Spread Center and are available from board members. Interested persons

can call 659-3866 for delivery.

55 Alive Mature Driving, eight hours of classroom instruction to refine existing skills and develop safe, defensive driving techniques will be offered Monday, March 16; Tuesday, March 17 and Thursday, March 19 from 1:30 to 4:30 p.m. at First Baptist Church in Gruver. The course is conducted through the American Association of Retired Persons (AARP). The course is designed for those ages 50 and ovr to instruct how to handle adverse driving conditions and traffic hazards, in addition to learning about the effects of aging and medications on driving. Most insurance companies will offer a 10% decrease on premiums for three years upon completion of this course. Additional information can be obtained from Fred Davidson at 733-2925 or Frankle Leatherman at 733-2272.

Hansford Hospice volunteers will conduct their monthly meeting Monday, March 16 at 7 p.m. in the LaCasita Room of Gruver State Bank.

Cub Scout Pack 578 and Boy Scout Troop 551 will be 'Scouting For Food' on Saturday, March 14. Boys will be collecting canned goods for the Hansford County Food Bank, beginning at 9 a.m.

Singles Together Around Christ (STAC) will have a St. Patrick's Day party Saturday, March 14 at 7 p.m. The party will be in the Willie Room of North Plains Electric Co-Op, Highway 83 North, about one mile north of the railroad tracks, in Perryton. Brisket will be furnished by the group. Those attending are asked to call 658-2266 or 658-9703 to coordinate food to bring for the evening, and to dress in green.

Members of Artists' Studio Northwest of Guymon, Okla. are special guests of Spanish Dagger Gallery in Gruver during the month of March. The gallery is open Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Artists who will have works on display include Lee Lester, Ruth Atkins, Jo Marie Miller, Velma Kingsland, Grace Dusenbury, Anna Mayer, Mary Lou Cryer and Mona Highberger of Guymon, and Bill and Joyce Johnson of Gruver. A reception is planned for Sunday, March 15 from 2 to 4 p.m. at the gallery. Everyone is invited to attend and meet the artists

A covered dish luncheon will be followed by a program entitled 'Know Your Insurance Policies," presented by James Cunningham, at the Golden Spread Center on March 16 at noon. Everyone is welcome

Spearman High School graduating class of 1982 is planning its 10 year class reunion for Labor Day weekend, Sept. 4 and 5. Anyone who knows the whereabouts of classmates should send names and addresses to Angle Francis Graves, Rt. 2, Box 54, Perryton, TX 79070.

Hansford County Activity Center will conduct a fund-raiser dance Saturday, March 21 from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. The Vera Brothers Band will provide entertainment. Tickets are priced at \$15 per couple and \$10 per single. Tickets are available from any Activity Center board member or may be purchased at the Activity Center Monday, Wednesday or Friday bet and 10 p.m. Tickets will also be available at the door for \$20 per couple, \$15 per single.

Hansford County Activity Center has expanded its hours. New hours are Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 6 to 10 p.m. for racquetball, weightlifting and sauna room. Racquetball sign-up can also be done during these hours.

A 'Center'Piece

by Pearl Pierce

Here it is March and all the fruit trees are blooming and a cold front is on its way. Wish Mother Nature and Old Man Winter would get

The quilting ladies are hard at work on another beautiful quilt that we'll be giving away in a month

Don't forget to mark your calendars for Saturday, April 4th. Amarillo Little Theatre will be presenting "The Taffetas" with our own

Candy Boxwell as one of the stars.

Watch for more details later. The First State Bank is frying fish for us the 31st so bring your covered dishes and come on down at 6:30 p.m. and join us. They really know how to fix fish.

We are trying to start a new outing once a month. We'll gather at the center and go out to eat together. Call me for details.

On March 16th, James Cunningham is presenting a program on understanding your homeowners insurance policy. I'm sure he'd answer questions on any other insurance you might have. Join us for a covered dish lunch at noon and James will present his program immediately following.

We have exercise at 9:30 a.m. on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. If any of you would like to join us you're more than welcome.

Or drop in for a cup of coffee anytime. Come and see us!

Chamber Chatter

by Cindy Blackman Chamber Manager

I can't believe this weather. Monday I almost froze and then Tuesday turns out to be pretty nice and no wind. Our golf teams played Monday in Borger in all that awful weather. I think they did really good considering the conditions.

Directors meeting Thursday, March 12th at the Chamber office for lunch.

The Round-Up Committees will be meeting this week to start plans for our annual celebration.

Next week I will be sending out a survey to see what the residents

of Spearman want for July 4th. We are already running into some conflicts and we need to know what needs to be done.

Don't forget the Hansford County Stock Show this weekend in Gruver. Come and support the youth of Spearman and Gruver.

I want to thank all the people who attended the meeting with

I feel like those who attended are the citizens who are really concerned about the future of Hansford

Police Files

Gruver Police Department

On Monday, March 2, a Gruver police officer on patrol observed a small fire in a pasture just outside the city limits on Highway 136 south of Gruver. The fire had previously been put out and rekindled. It was subsequently extinguished, according to Gruver Police Chief Steve Gaines.

Police were called to unlock a vehicle in the 400 block of West Broadway on Tuesday, March 3. An infant was inside the vehicle, said Gaines. Also on March 3, Gruver police were requested to deliver a message in the 400 block of Cooper by the Spearman Police Department.

On Wednesday, March 4, vehicles were unlocked in the 200 block of Main, on a farm north of Gruver on Highway 136, and at a rural location west of Gruver.

On Friday, March 6, police received a report from the Dean Cluck Feedyard regarding obscene telephone calls. The incident had previously been reported to the Hansford County Sheriff's Department, and the call was referred to the sheriff's department. Also on March 6, a Gruver officer on patrol observed dogs running at large in the 600 block of Cluck. The animals

were impounded. On Sunday, March 8, a resident in the 800 block of Garrett reported an unusual odor, which was thought to be gas. The odor was determined to be coming from a hydrocarbon plant in Borger.

Three complaints were filed in municipal court last week, according to Gaines. Two were for canines at large and one was for disregarding a stop sign.

Gruver EMS

On Friday, March 6, Gruver EMS was summoned to the 300 block of Garrett and transported a woman to Hansford Hospital.

Gruver Fire Department Gruver Volunteer Fire Department reported three controlled burns of grass last week.

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PRESS ASSOCIATION

At the movies half Jewish with a father from Ger- - not to mention convincing - that

Starting Friday, March 13 and running through Tuesday, March 17 at the Lyric Theatre in Spearman will be "The Adventures of the Great Mouse Detective" showing on Screen 1 at 7:30 p.m. Showing on the Lyric's Screen 2 at 7:15 p.m. will be "Shining Through.

"The Adventures of the Great Mouse Detective" is a re-release of a favorite Disney classic animated movie. The film is rated G for the entire family.

"Shining Through", starring Michael Douglas, Melanie Griffith, Liam Neeson, Joely Richardson and John Gielgud, is one of those movies fun to look at and even more fun to talk about after the fact.

The time is World War II, and Linda Voss (Griffith) is a woman with a mission who is betrayed not so much by the enemy as by a script that nearly does her in. A staunch feminist, Linda is smart as a whip.

many, also happens to speak pretty he allow her to make her move. good German. After landing a job in New York she soon falls in love with her new boss, Ed Leland (Douglas), a man whose comings and goings are pretty secret. But soon enough Linda figures things out -Ed is an intelligence officer who spends his time getting the goods on the Germans.

With her own agenda in mind-to become a spy just like in the movies she watches and to locate her close relatives in Germany who, being Jewish, have had to go underground - Linda convinces Ed to let her go to Berlin to infiltrate some top secret affairs. Edis reluctant, but, of course Linda has become so indispensable

Screen 1 - 7:30 p.m.

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At The Lyric Theatre . . .

Friday, March 13 - Tuesday, March 17

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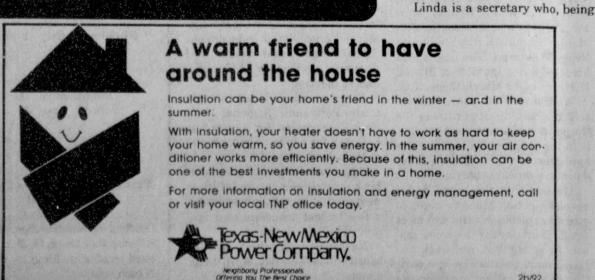
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Once in Berlin, Linda worms her

way into the thick of things, working with two Brits (Gielgud and Richardson) who are part of the Allied intelligence network. Yet, Linda makes a few good blunders as well, and soon enough it's up to Ed Leland to go over to Berlin and rescue her. This he does, and at the film's conclusion the two of them just barely make it over the Swiss border - Linda lying half dead in his arms and Ed shooting his pistol as their bodies slump over the finish

"Shining Through" is rated R for a brief sexual situation

Screen 2 - 7:15 p.m.









(photo by Cindy Blackman)

Spearman Chamber of Commerce members gathered with Spearman Post Office staff and customers to officially dedicate the new Post Office building on March 4.

Karen's Kozy Korner

lucky entry is drawn in the sweepstakes. Just how likely is it that a winning number will be drawn? Not very likely.

Millions of entries are mailed but only one big winner is drawn. And even if the vinning entry draws a promise of a million dollars, it is very unlikely that the winner will actually receive a million dollars. Deception? Not necessarily. Just the terms of the pay-out.

In one well-known million dollar event, the winner will receive \$25,000 a year for 30 years and a one-time payment of \$250,000 in the 30th year. Although this does add up to a million dollars, each year the annual payment of \$25,000 will be worth less and less. Because of inflation, the purchasing power of money declines each year. The only year \$25,000 will buy \$25,000 worth of goods and services is in the first year. After that, it will buy less each year. Accounting for inflation, the one million dollars paid over 30 years is only worth about \$509,381 in today's terms, assuming an average annual inflation rate of about 4

If the million dollars were paid to the winner all at once in the beginning, the winner would have agreater chance to maximize earnings. A million dollars invested at 3 percent more than the rate of inflation would generate \$1,427,260 in interest over a 30-year period. In contrast, the \$25,000 paid our annually for 30 years plus the final \$250,000 payment, will generate \$439,375 in interest at the same rate. This means that the winner loses interest potential of \$987,885 (\$1,427,260 minus \$439,375) by receiving annual installments instead of the lump sum pay-out.

Finally, the age of the winner

Countless mail offers promise to may have a lot to do with how much costs would be normally lower. The make you a "millionaire" if your money is actually received under the 30-year pay-out. Suppose the winner does not live for 30 more years. Unless the plan pays the balance to the recipient's estate, the full pay-out will not be realized.

A million dollars may sound like a lot of money. Consumers should recognize that it won't mean they'll be an instant "millionaire," even if their entry is drawn. Consider that before spending postage money on sending in the sweepstake offer. Not only is your chance of winning extremely tiny, but you may not become a "millionaire" in the pro-

Many utility companies now permit customers to pay one-twelfth of their total annual utility cost each month. This has the impact of lowering household utility expense during those months when costs are normally high and raising the

Softball tournament set

AMARILLO - The fifth annual Amarillo Softball Umpires Association softball tournament is scheduled for April 3 and 4.

Entry fee is \$100 per team and tshirts will be available. Play will be at the southeast, southwest and Martin Road complexes. Entry deadline is Friday, March 27.

net effect is that utility payments remain relatively constant, making it easier for consumers to estimate their utility costs and to budget for them.

New research, however, shows some surprising trends. Households using the average monthly payment plan tend to use significantly more energy than those households that are not on the average monthly payment plan. This was true even when there were differences in the type of housing and household char-

Consumers using the average monthly payment plan may not be aware of their energy use habits. They need to increase their awareness of how they use energy and learn to make energy-conscious decisions. If they do not, they may find they are paying more for household energy in both the short and expense during those months when long run.

womens teams in two divisions.

More information can be obtained from Mary Crawford at 374-1653 or 373-9724, or from Carol Blucher at 477-4035 or 355-9053. Entries should be mailed to Amarillo Softball Umpires Association,

A.S.A. rules will be followed.

Entry is open to mens and 3204 Ricks, Amarillo, Texas 79103

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Presentation by **Hansford County Hospital District**

On Proposed \$4.7 Million Bond Issue for Nursing Home and Hospital Improvements

> 7:00 P.M. March 17 and 24 First State Bank **Hospitality Room**

Have the Facts to Make an Informed Decision

Question of cost answered

by Anne Snow

Business manager

In the past two weeks we have tried to explain the reasons behind the proposed building project for Hansford County Hospital District.

The question that is probably at the top of everyone's mind is, "How much will it cost me?" We will answer that question, based on information gathered from Hansford County Appraisal District.

The total tax increase required to pay the bond issue of \$4.7 million, is \$.033 per \$100 valuation. This is from the bond agents, Southwest Securities Inc., which has a great deal of experience with general obligation bonds for hospital districts, school districts and counties in the state of Texas.

What will the 3.3 cent increase mean in terms of the actual taxes paid by the average person in Hansford County? According to the appraisal district, the following are the average taxable value for various types of property in Hansford

For a residence with an average taxable value of \$20,659, the increase in annual taxes would be

For an irrigated farm section with an average taxable value of \$122,240, the increase in annual taxes would be \$40.34.

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average taxable value of \$22,400, the increase in annual taxes would be \$7.40.

The taxable value shown is after the homestead exemption on residences, and is the amount that is used to figure what the property tax will be; it should not be confused with market value, which may be higher.

To see exactly how much the tax the property in this example.

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Letter to the editor

To the Editor,

I would like to take the opportunity to thank the people who made the new Post Office possible for our community.

I am really enjoying it. I have never written to the Editor before

in my life, I just thought it was time to express my true feelings about the Post Office.

Thanks from the bottom of my heart to everyone who helped us get this. I think it's great.

Ivan Vernon Allen





Among the Neighbors

It is always gratifying to learn of a highly successful career by a Spearman High School graduate. Such is the case with a 1967 alumnus, Barbara Kitchens Jaquess, daughter of Doris and T.C. Kitch-

Recently she has received much complimentary publicity in connection with her award winning students

Barbara is the head of the business and office education department in the Tahoka High School. On Feb. 8 in Lubbock at a contest with 33 other schools, her students won 25 outstanding awards and qualified to go on to the state meet. This competition is for the Business Professionals of America, a cocurricular club for high school students enrolled in business or office education classes.

The Lynn County News in Tahoka carried several columns concerning Barbara, her achievements, and her classes and included a very attractive picture of her, but this space does not permit as much as would be very interesting to her classmates here.

According to the paper she came to Tahoka High School in the fall of 1971 after graduating from Texas Tech University in December 1970 with a degree in Business Education and Vocational Education. The paper quotes her as saying that she fully intended to teach only one year at Tahoka, just to gain some experience, before moving on. "But I found my niche here," says Mrs. Jaquess, "This is where I really wanted to be. I love what I do and wouldn't want to be anywhere else." She and her husband, Jack, live in Tahoka with their two children, Jill and Jason, who are in Tahoka Public School.

This year marks her 20th year with the school district and is the only place she has ever taught. she has been part of the transition from manual typewriters thru several phases, until now she works with a seven IBM computer system in the

The article further states that Tahoka is most fortunate to have had her for 20 years and admires her remarkable success with the students.

Barbara was named Business Teacher of the Year by Region 17 Center and has been listed in the Most Predominant Educators of Texas Yearbook. She is a member of several professional organiza-

This summer she plans to take some of her winning students to the national meet in Washington, D.C.

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Jo's This N' That

The family of Mozelle Sparks

Mozelle Sparks had a pleasant week-end in Lubbock with her son Teddy Sparks. He is with the Texas Mental Health and Retardation Department and does considerable traveling. He had been in Beaumont and Houston and spoke of the devastation from the floods and the difficulty in driving in the area. Mozelle rode to Lubbock with a family friend, Ted Collier, who was on business in the area.

Pauline McGee is enjoying her mother, Mrs. Mary Davis, who will be with her a few weeks. Mrs. Davis is from Hollis but has been in Houston since fall with another daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Woodrow Thomp-

They brought her here last week and spent the week here. They were all relieved to be out of the constant rain, tho the high water never actually got into their home in the area.

An unexpected development for Billy and Joan Brown occurred while they were at the Houston Fat Stock Show where their daughter was exhibiting a steer. Their 5 year old son, Tracy, underwent surgery. Tracy had been suffering severe headaches and other symptoms since fall and the cause could not be determined. The symptoms became acute so he was taken to the Texas Childrens Medical Center where leading medical care was available. The surgery was necessitated by a non-functioning cranial shunt to the abdominal area. The revision was quite successful and Tracy is now enjoying normal activities for a 5 year old.

Incidentally, Ashley's steer won a good placement so all in all the Houston trip was most successful for the Browns.

A first for Spearman is the arrival of a pastor of the "feminine persuasion." Ms. Beverly Cook is fairly well settled now as the local pastor of the Presbyterian-Lutheran Congregations. She came Feb. 1 and was ordained and installed on Feb. 23.

Beverly Cook is from Houston, a widow with 21-year-old twins. Her daughter lives in Austin and the son in Houston. Pastor Cook received her Master of Divinity at Rice University. She attended Presbyterian Theological Seminary in

She is active in several sports but her choice is tennis. She stated that she had received a warm wel- proud to have her as a member and come by the Spearman Community and already feels at home here.

The neighbors are pleased that she has been welcomed and assure

her that indeed she is.

Clark and Lucille Harris of Plainview spent a long week-end here. They were guests in the home of their daughter and family, the Troy Jameses.

That proud expression on the face of Ora Lee Blackburn is not due to the arrival of a first child, nor grandchild, nor great-grandchild, but the first great-great-grandchild.

Dakota Lane Blum was born to Anna and Lee Blum of Memphis. He came by way of High Plains Baptist Hospital in Amarillo on March 5, 1992, weighing 5 lb., 11 oz. and 19 1/2 inches long.

His grandparents are Joe and Judy Hutchison, Clarendon; Jackie and Kay Blum, Memphis; Billie Viles, Borger.

Great-grandparents are Bodil Hereford; Craig Bradley, Hutchison, Spearman.

All those who remember Jack and Doris Birdwell McKay were horrified to learn of a dreadful, senseless tragedy which took the lives of their daughter Debbie and her husband; their son Scottie and his friend; and the life of a little granddaughter is hanging as she is seriously injured.

The accident was caused by a drunken driver and occurred near where they live in the Bullhead City, Ariz., vicinity.

Doris McKay is a niece of Hollie Riley and cousin of Pearl Pierce, Don Maize and Idella Randall,

T.C. and Lou Harvey are back at home after an interrupted visit to California. They had driven out, with her brother, Fred Miller of Gruver, to Fullerton to visit a daughter, Peggy and Gary Osborn.

T.C. became miserably ill and

after local medical attention, he and Lou flew back to Amarillo where he entered St. Anthony's Hospital. He was released last Wednesday as fortunately his condition did not warrant surgery. He will be confined to his home for an indefinite

T.C., a veteran outdoorsman, finds the enforced home stay irksome (Lou could be in agreement!)

It could be, T.C., that you are overlooking an obvious cure that is available. Surely on all the medical soap operas on TV, there will be a miracle cure for just your illness.

Notes from the ill:

Good news from Lois Nollner. She no longer needs the respirator, tho she is still in CCU at High Plains Baptist Hospital. It is remembered that Lois was flown from Corpus Christi to Amarillo where she underwent replacement of a heart valve. Then she suffered a light stroke but is recovering from

Family members have been in constant attendance, but are now able to return to their homes. However, a daughter, Betty Dean of Corpus Christi, is still here.

Pope Gibner, a patient in St. Anthony's, is slowly improving. He entered the hospital on March 5 and will be there until he can safely return home. He is in room #459 for those wishing to visit or send cards.

Margaret is so pleased to have Mrs. Betty Dunaway staying in their home with her.

Marjorie (Mrs. Dale) Hendricks is happy that she has recovered from her surgery and is back at home and even able to walk outside some. She had the operation at St. Anthony's on Feb. 26.



Nicholas and Amber Moore, son and daughter of Paul and Julie Moore of Spearman, competed in a recent All Star Kids pageant in Amarillo. Nicholas won "All Star Beau" and Sportswear. Amber placed second in Beauty and third in Talent. Their grandparents are Jessie and JoAnn Kell of Spearman and Hubert Moore of Shamrock.

Pageant plans set

Plans are under way for the 1992 Miss Hansford Pageant, sponsored by the Women's Division of the Spearman Chamber of Commerce.

Kathy Boyd, pageant director, announced that the pageant will be held on Monday, June 1, to kick off the week set aside for the Hansford Celebration. This pageant has become a tradition here in Hansford County, and is an excellent way for young ladies to earn scholarship money for college.

Any girl who is a resident of Hansford County between the ages of 4 and 21 is eligible to participate in one of the categories. The Little Miss Hansford contest is open to girls who will be 4 years old prior to Step. 1, 1992, but who will not be 6 by that date.

The Junior Miss Hansford contest is for girls who will be 6 by Sept. 1, 1992, but not yet 10. The Miss Hansford Preteen contest is

for girls who will be 9 before Sept. 1, 1992, but not yet 13.

Entrants and parents should note that there is an overlap in the ages for the Junior Miss and the Miss Hansford Preteen categories. The category entered by a 9-yearold girl is strictly up to the girl and her parents. Some are more comfortable in the younger group, while some prefer to be in the older group.

The Miss Hansford Teen contest is open to young ladies who will be 13 before Sept. 1, 1992, but who will not be 17 by that date. The Miss Hansford contest is for young women who will be 17 by Sept. 1, 1992, but who will not be 21 before that date.

Entry blanks are available at the Chamber of Commerce office, at Kids' Stuff and at J.G.'s in Spearman; and at Main Street store in Gruver. Deadline for entry in any of the age groups is May 1. Entry forms and sponsor fees must be turned in to the Spearman Chamber of Commerce office by that date.

Sponsorfees at \$35 for the Little, Junior and Preteen categories and \$50 for Miss Hansford and Teen categories. Entries will be limited to the first 15 girls in each division who have their completed entry forms and sponsor fees turned in to the chamber office.

Questions about the pageant should be directed to Cindy Blackman at the chamber office,

659-5555, or to Kathy Boyd. Spring style

show set

The "Hop Into Spring" style show is scheduled for Sunday, March 22 at 2 p.m. in the Spearman Junior High School cafeteria.

The style show is sponsored by

Spearman Retail Merchants. Admission is \$3 per person, with proceeds going toward the purchase of school equipment. Door prizes will be given away.

Tickets can be purchased at the Spearman Chamber of Commerce office, 211 Main in Spearman, or at the following merchants: The Bunkhouse, Kids' Stuff, Lady Fair, Jo's This 'n That, Celebrate, ChaLor's, Cheryl's Gifts and More, J.G.'s, Gordon's Drug and ALCO.

HCHC honors Helen Boyd

The Hansford County Historical Commission set aside time at its March 2 meeting to give special recognition to Helen Boyd.

Boyd, chairman of the Stationmaster's House Museum committee, was honored for 20 years of dedicated service to the HCHC. Commission members declared. "Helen has worked very hard for the museum. We feel very co-worker on the Hansford County Historical Commission."

In other business, Chairman Sylvia Robertson reported on the D.C. Jones Ranch and Farm. Jennie Blankenship, Ramona Reynolds and Lela L. Jones, along with cousins Joel Lee Lackey and Tommy Joe Bergin, attended ceremonies in Austin in October of 1991, that honored the Jones family for being on their land over 100 years.

The Jones Ranch and Homestead and the D.C. Jones Ranch were purchased in 1884 by D.C. Jones. The Joel Lee Lackey Ranch was purchased in 1891. 1992 marks the 500th year since

the discovery of America by Christopher Columbus. The Hansford County Historical Commission would like to have a county-wide observation of this anniversary, and members discussed suggestions and plans for recognition of this event

The building that was the Palo Duro School in the 1930s was dotorical Commission by Mr. and Mrs. O.E. Drake of Waka. The 20th Century Club is taking on, as this year's project, the moving and restoration of the building. Club members have agreed to attempt to set up the school as it was originally. They would welcome any donations to help with their project.

The week of April 11-17 has been designated as Archeology Awareness Week, with the theme "Crossroads to the Past." Focus of the special week will be preservation and protection of historic and archeological sites.

Thousands of archeological and historic sites are damaged or destroyed each year in Texas. Several thousands of sites have already been lost to vandalism, looting and time itself. Each site is unique and cannot be replaced. Each site destroyed is a part of Texas history lost forever. Hansford County residents can

help by learning more about Texas' tained by contacting a member of the Hansford County Historical Commission; the Texas Archeological Society's Center for Archaeological Research at the University of Texas at San Antonio, San Antonio, Texas 78285; or the Office of the State Archeologist, Texas Historical Commission, P.O. Box 12276, Austin, Texas 78711.

Hansford County Historical Commission members and guests attending the March 2 meeting included Clementine Renner, Joyce Johnson, Sylvia Robertson, Johnnie Lee, Jack Oakes, Harry Stumpf, Helen Boyd, J.D. Wilbanks, Rubyjo Wilbanks, Juanita Pierce, Fannie Venneman, Billy Miller and Verna Gail Keim.

Retail merchants meet

Spearman Retail Merchants met Wednesday, March 4.

Final plans were made for the spring style show, to be held Sunday, March 22 at the Spearman

Junior High School cafeteria. Theme for the style show will be "Hop Into Spring."

Models will be toddlers through high school age. Proceeds will be given to the elementary and junior high schools for use toward the purchase of an Ellison Stamp Ma-

The style show begins at 2 p.m. Admission is \$3 and refreshments will be served. Approximately 50 youth will be modeling.

Club news

SPEARMAN BOOK CLUB The Spearman Book Club met Feb. 25 in the home of Helen Etter.

Margarete Evans gave an interesting program and showed slides of her trip to Munich, Germany and other points of interest in that

Members present were Freda Sheets, Altha Kirk, Nina Hefner, Jo Copeland, Athalie Trayler, Virginia White and the hostess, Helen

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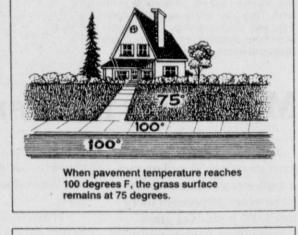
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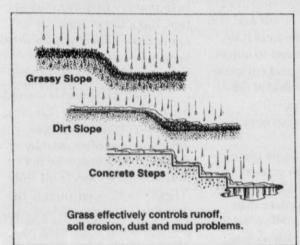
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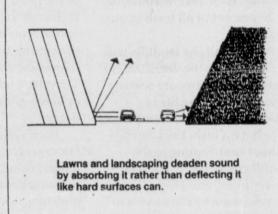
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Helpful Hints For 'Summerizing' Home - Lawn and Garden - Auto









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Turn spring cleaning into spring organizing

Clutter: It's an annovance in most households, and a major problem in many. It can cause you to spend valuable time searching for necessities, make you late for work or appointments, or just make your home look and feel out of control, no matter how clean it may be. Believe it or not, you can eliminate clutter and regain control of your home with a few simple steps, recommended by professional organizer, Tom Nevermann. First, here's a quiz to help you figure

out if you are, in fact, disorganized: · Do things fall out of closets or cabinets when you open them?

· Do things get all wrinkled because they're jammed into closets or draw-

· Do you often spend more time looking for an item than you do using

that item? · Does it take longer than five minutes to locate anything?

· Do you have a lot of unnecessary

duplicate items? Are things stacked on every avail-

able flat surface? Are you embarrassed to let people

see inside your home? If you answered yes to one or more

of these questions, the experts say, you need more than a spring cleaning you need to get organized!

The first step to better home organization is one that many of us normally take in our traditional spring cleaning routine — go through the entire house and start throwing things out. If you haven't worn or used an item for at least one full year, that's a pretty good indicator that it's unnecessary baggage. Consider donating unused items to friends or charities, rather than sending them out with the trash. Just because you don't need it doesn't mean no one else does.

Having disposed of excess items, you're ready to organize what's left. Nevermann, who runs a home organizing business in the Los Angeles area called "Out From Under," offers this advice: "Start by asking yourself what

frustrates you the most, what wastes the most of your time and what it is you wish you had more time to do. The answers to those questions should point you straight to the areas that need organizing first.'

What about the closets?

For many people, he adds, closets are a real problem. You could avoid dealing with kitchens and living rooms by eating out and not entertaining guests at home. But no matter how you try, you cannot avoid standing in front of the closet every morning, looking for something to wear. For closets, Nevermann offers three tips: get rid of wire hangers (they can damage clothes), buy and use a shoe rack, and use racks for ties, belts, and other

Removing unnecessary items

Moving into the living room presents another common problem what to do with all those newspapers and magazines. The professionals' advice is to get rid of them all. If there's a magazine article you hope to read "someday," you'll have no trouble at all finding it at the local library. If there's an article you absolutely must save, clip it out and toss the rest of the magazine. Don't forget to recycle all the paper that you can. Newspaper is generally recyclable, but magazines

usually are not. Kitchen organizing presents some unique problems as well. Not only do things need to be stored but they need to be visible and accessible, often on a daily basis. If there are items in the kitchen that only get used once or twice a year, get them out of the kitchen. Your 18-quart pot or Christmas decorated cookie jar can be stored in the basement or garage and retrieved

A tough problem

One of the toughest problems is storing leftover food. The best system

for food storage is a modular kitchen storage system, with containers that nest and stack with tight fitting lids, such as Tucker's Serve 'n Store™ products. These are not only microwave and dishwasher safe, but also transparent. This is a must if you want to keep last night's meatloaf from turning into next month's biology experiment.

An old trick

In the bathroom, you can borrow a trick long used in kitchens. A lazy susan or slide-out bin under the sink can help you effectively use those storage spaces that normally seem impossible to reach. Above the sink, in the medicine cabinet, you can alleviate a great deal of morning stress by eliminating items that you don't use every day. And if storage space is limited, a set of free standing shelves behind and above the toilet tank can add valuable space without creating an obstacle

Getting the kids involved

The final area of the house to get the treatment is the children's room. According to another professional organizer, Ann Gambrel, getting the kids involved early can work to everyone's advantage. "I even recom-mend putting a file cabinet in a child's room," she says. "Kids love to collect things — pictures, drawings, school papers. At the end of the year, you can go through their cabinet with them, help them select their favorites for the year, and toss out the rest." Making kids responsible for their own areas and their own toys may take some extra work in the beginning, but it can pay off at home and school later.

For a free list of home organizing tips, write to Tucker Housewares Organizing Dept., 25 Tucker Drive Leominster, MA 01453. Ton Nevermann may be reached at "Ou From Under," 1224 North Crescent Heights, #16, Los Angeles, CA 90046

The answers to many environmental questions may be right under our feet Under the growing pressures of polmore effectively than a wheat field and

lution, noise, and urbanization, green grass and landscaping have become increasingly important to sustaining and improving our environment...and our lives. And, in these days of increasing environmental awareness; people should recognize the benefits received from grass in addition to its aesthetic value. Here are some of the other important benefits of grass:

The oxygen giver: Let's start with the basics. An ever-renewed supply of oxygen is essential to life itself. Through photosynthesis, grass plants remove carbon dioxide from the air and release oxygen. According to researchers at The O.M. Scott & Sons Company, "the lawn people," only 625 square feet of grass is needed to produce enough oxygen for one person each day during the growing season. This means that the average homeowner's lawn of 5,000 square feet can supply the oxygen needs of eight people.

Air purification: The leaves of grass plants absorb air pollutants. In a year's time, an acre of flourishing lawn can absorb hundreds of pounds of common atmospheric pollutants such as sulfur dioxide and carbon dioxide - the same pollutants implicated in acid rain and the greenhouse effect, respectively.

Soil erosion control: Grass is one of the most cost-effective ways to control wind and water erosion of the soil, as well as eliminate dust and mud problems. Essentially, grass controls erosion by trapping and holding runoff water. In the United States, nearly six billion tons of soil are washed or blown away each year, costing between \$6 billion and \$16 billion annually. A healthy lawn absorbs rainfall six times

four times better than a hay field. Is it any wonder that grass is used alongside highways and airport runways to stabilize soil, prevent dust, and control water runoff? Grasses bind the soil more effectively than any other plant.

Dust trapping: Grass slows the air and allows dust particles to settle on the leaves. Eventually, rain will wash the dust back into the ground. Grass traps millions of tons of dust and dirt released into the atmosphere in the United States every year. By reducing dust, we improve overall lung health, plus increase visibility (dust haze over our cities now reduces sunlight by as much as 15 percent).

Heat reduction: Every child knows that when it's too hot to walk barefoot on the sidewalk, the grass is a cool and inviting alternative. Studies have shown that when the temperature of a sidewalk or street exceeds 100°F, the grass surface remains at a cool 75°F. That's quite an air conditioning system! Compared to air conditioners, the front lawns on a block of eight houses have a combined cooling effect of about 70 tons of air conditioning.

Noise reduction: The harshness of unwanted noise is lessened by the sound-deadening qualities of grass. A grass-covered slope will deflect and absorb sound. When combined with evergreens or deciduous trees, grass can help reduce the roar of traffic to a distant murmur.

Pest control: Who knows what lurks in the tall weeds or deep woods? When properly mowed, residential lawns are unsuitable homes for pests like rodents, snakes, mosquitos, ticks, and chiggers. Also, by keeping weeds out, the levels of allergy-causing pollens are reduced. Mown grass does, however, provide birds with easy access to earthworms and other food.

Glare reduction: Grass plants filter glare because they reflect light diffusely, unlike smooth or hard surfaces like concrete or snow, buildings, streets and sidewalks. Glare is not only uncomfortable, but it can be hazardous for drivers and pilots. For these reasons, higher-cut grass along roadsides eliminates glare thereby allowing drivers to identify an emergency need to stop.

Recreational enjoyment and safety. Grass is, of course, beautiful as well as functional. While performing all of these practical services, grass is fun to play on. It feels good to walk on. Its resiliency helps keep athletes' legs healthy and reduces the likelihood of serious injury when used on playing

Property enhancement: As for the homeowner, in a survey sponsored by The O.M. Scott & Sons Company, real estate agents from four regions of the country said that a well-maintained lawn would add an average of more than \$3,100 (about four percent) to the resale value of a \$70,000 to \$90,000

The future: As the availability of land shrinks under the rapidly growing population, it has been suggested that perhaps grass should be planted on rooftops to reduce temperatures, pollutants, and storm water runoff. Or perhaps as people begin to realize its value, grass will grow in planned "green belts" in new developments. But regardless of where it is found, grass will continue to benefit our lives in its quiet, efficient way.

Fight rising energy costs

While economists predicted a sharp increase in the cost of oil in the 1990s, recent world events have made their predictions come true a lot sooner than anyone had anticipated.

These spiraling costs have hit Americans where it hurts most — in the pocketbook. At the gas line and in rising fuel bills, Americans have been feeling the squeeze in their already tight household budgets.

Until alternate, viable sources of energy are found, the only solution to this problem is simply to use less fuel. Energy conservation - once the battle cry of the mid-'70s following the Arab oil embargo — is again a key issue in the 1990s.

Making a difference

One way homeowners can make a real difference is to stop home energy loss through its primary means of escape — the windows. Government statistics show that nearly 70 percent of the heat we pay so dearly for is lost through the walls, doors and mostly old, drafty windows built before energy conservation was a consideration. In the summer, these same windows become the route through which most heat enters the house.

Chances are, if your home was built more than 15 years ago, its windows are in need of replacing. Old wooden windows tend to shrink and expand with the temperature, letting heat out and cold air in — or vice versa — at the wrong times.

Early aluminum windows are also poor insulators, as are steel windows (once very common), which are likely to lose a substantial amount of energy in extreme weather.

Old windows = wasted energy

According to a spokesperson for Wolverine Technologies, a leading national manufacturer of vinyl replacement windows, here are some indica-

tions that windows may be wasting

· A draft felt around the perimeter of the window. Even a seemingly insignificant crack can mean a huge loss of home heat or air conditioning.

· A heating or air conditioning system that seems to run for an inordinate amount of time.

· Single-paned windows. This is most common in older windows and is practically useless in preventing energy

· Windows that rattle when the wind blows. This means only one thing:

loose-fitting glass that provides another excellent escape route for heat or

· Cold window frames. This is very common with aluminum windows and is a sign that valuable heat is traveling quickly outdoors through conduction.

If your windows meet one or more of those criteria, one of the best ways to take a chunk out of your energy bill is to replace those "dinosaurs" with state-of-the-art vinyl windows.

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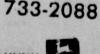
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Creating desirable views with plantings

According to the new book, Better Homes and Gardens Step-by-Step Landscaping, filling your yard with your favorite forms, fragrances, flowers and fruits for perfect views is a highly satisfying spring gardening project.
The Better Homes and Gardens Books

editors devote a major portion of the 324-page Step-by-Step Landscaping to choosing and using plantings in home landscaping, including fence and screen plantings

Here is how the book's editors suggest you plan desirable views into your landscaping scheme

· Your view can be serene and peaceful with minimal maintenance, or bold and exciting with bright flowers. Combine ornamentals with edible trees and shrubs for delightful blooms and tasty meals.

· Plan carefully for maximum season of interest. Lilacs perfume the air for a few precious days in the spring. Dogwoods offer spring flowers and excellent autumn color, as well as interesting winter shape. Viburnums and crab apples have showy flowers and fruit that attracts birds. Smoke trees bloom for months.

·Flowering shrubs, trees, and ground covers give form, color, and interest for decades with very little work. Yet many gardeners find that flowers, herbs, and vegetables are always worth the extra effort.

· Either in your mind's eye or on paper, plan your plantings so colors will combine harmoniously and continue at every season of the year. Perennials and spring bulbs can be the backbone of such plantings, but annuals are the color champions that will bloom from spring until frost. Keep heights, colors, and times of bloom in mind for a view that tantalizes onlookers all season. Large drifts of the same flower and clumps of three or more of the same small shrub will make a more definite statement than too much of a

· Some plants, like the first crocus

Plants with spike, simple, or striking plooms benefit mos from a vertical background. Put the tallest plants nearest the fence. From Step By Step Landscaping, Better Homes and Gardens Books 2"to 1.5" 4'to 5' 1.5' to 4' **BLUE FLAX** DAFFODIL ANDROMEDA HEATHER MARIGOLD CAMELLIA CLEOME COSMOS DAPHNE HIBISCUS IRIS NASTURTIUM LEUCOTHOE SALVIA SNAPDRAGON TULIP ROSE

house and entryways so you can see them sup close. Others - such as butterfly-attracting tithonia - are better seen from afar where their coarseness is obscured by their other virtues.

· Remember that blues, purples, and dark colors fade in the distance. White

accents stand out. Bright colors light up dark corners and bring them into focus.

Other topics covered by Better Homes and Gardens Step-by-Step Landscaping include pest control, irrigation, outdoor lighting, decks and

WHAT TO LOOK FOR WHEN BUYING LAWN AND GARDEN TOOLS

What should you look for when selecting quality lawn and garden hand tools? "Start with a name brand manufacturer who has a reputation for making quality products and, if possible, buy tools that are made in the United States for ease in replacement," says Michael E. Deitsch, Sr., Director of Marketing for Ames Lawn & Garden Tools.

Deitsch suggests picking up the tool before buying it to see how it would feel to use it. "The best tools," he says, "are well balanced and are comfortable in the hand. They also will have quality materials and workmanship. Cheap tools have poor painting or plating, rough edges and inferior materials.

Popular vegetable selections		
® Vegetable	Benefits	Growing tips
Broccoli	Vitamins A, B, C. Calcium, phosphorus, and iron. //2 cup = 32 calories.	Made famous by President Bush, broccoli can be planted spring and fall for two crops. Grows well in containers. A pot 12" wide by 12" deep with five gallons of soil will hold two plants.
Miniature Carrots	Vitamin A. 1/s cup = 25 calories.	Try the new miniature "baby fingers" for a sweet taste and nouvelle dining presentations. Plant carrots every few weeks from early spring until July to ensure summer-long crops.
Cucumbers	1 cup = 16 calories.	Cucumbers are on every diet plan for bulk with- out calories. Plant in hills 4'-5' apart and deep- soak plants to avoid bitter taste. Cucumbers grow nicely in containers with lightweight soil mix, fertilizer and water. If space is limited, train plants on a fence or trellis.
Red & Yellow Peppers	Vitamins A, C. 1 medium (cooked) = 15 calories.	Avoid the high price at the market with home- grown red and yellow peppers. Bell Boy peppers provide an early crop of green peppers in late June and turn red by early August.
Squash	Vitamin A and Betacarotene. I cup = 22 calories.	Spaghetti squash has become an alternative to pasta for those avoiding refined carbohydrates. Some summer squash, zucchini and crookneck grow on bushy, compact plants. Winter squash acom and butternut — grow on vines.

Mulching mower reduces waste

Each year, Americans generate nearly 50 million tons of yard waste. In fact, the typical homeowner disposes of more than 1,000 pounds of grass clippings each year, accounting for 20 percent of all trash in our landfills.

Nearly half the landfills will be depleted by the year 2000, so many communities are seeking ways to extend the life of landfills. What can a homeowner do to have a lush, thick lawnwithout contributing to the landfill crisis? Use a TricyclerTM mower from John Deere. The Tricycler mower allows you to mulch your lawn . . . plus much more. The Tricycler mower is a state-of-the-art system that will let you mulch, bag, or cut and blow your grass clippings.

When cutting your lawn, follow the One-Third Rule by cutting off no more than onethird of the grass blade during any single mowing. If you follow this rule, clippings will be short enough to decompose rapidly.

Grass clippings are 85 percent water, so they decompose rapidly without adding to a thatch buildup. About 20 percent of the nitrogen in grass clippings feeds the lawn's root system. A season's worth equals one application of commercial fertilizer. Recycling

grass clippings on a lawn provides additional nitrogen and can reduce annual fertilizer

When more than one-third of the grass must be cut and you still want to use the mulching option, you may need to adjust the cutting height and cut more than once. Or, use one of the Tricycler's other mowing options-side-discharge or

Each system has its place. For example, when grass is longer, using the side-discharge option takes less power than mulching and may allow you to cut faster. Side-discharging leaves clippings on top of the

If mulching or sidedischarging are not what you want, use the bagger. This lets you collect clippings and leaves for composting or distributing around trees and shrubs.

The beauty of the John Deere Tricycler system is that you choose the mowing cycle best for your needs. And you can easily change the mower from one system to another. That's just not true with other mulching

Many people think not bagging contributes to thatch buildup. Experts say no. Freshly

decomposes rapidly. A half-inch layer of thatch is beneficial because it holds moisture in the soil and provides a cushion to help prevent ground compaction. But a heavy thatch layer can act like a sheet of plastic to keep air, water and fertilizer from reaching the grass roots.

A thatch buildup is caused by frequent, shallow watering; by applying quick-release fertilizers too often; and by improper mowing-by not following the One-Third Rule. These practices encourage the lawn's root system to stay near the soil surface. Mowing too short actually causes some of the root system to die. And thatch is composed mostly of dead roots. If you have a problem with thatch, add a dethatching attachment to a John Deere selfpropelled mower to keep thatch under control.

Today's yard waste can be transformed into tomorrow's fertilizer by composting. Don't be mislead by the notion that a compost pile is too much work, unsightly or smelly. Assembling your own compost pile is simple Your John Deere dealer offers free know-how books to help

The Tricycler mower can

leaves. Make sure that recycled leaf deposits cover no more than half the grass blade. If you can't see grass underneath the shredded leaves, mow a second time with the bag on. Heavy layers of fallen leaves may require collection instead of shredding.

The right equipment is important. Don't get stuck with a mower only capable of mulching when a John Deere Tricycler mower may be your most environmentally correct choice.

Tomatoes: the favorite backyard plant problems, they are actually quite easy of clay. It is essential, however, that the Just imagine yourself with a slice to grow if their needs are met. of deep red, juicy homegrown tomato Tomatoes are sun lovers. If planted

on your favorite sandwich, and you will understand why the tomato is nearly everyone's favorite backyard plant. One doesn't have to grow an acre of them to make it worthwhile, either, for a single plant growing in a tub on the patio can produce several

While tomatoes are not without their

where they get too much shade, they will become sparse, straggly and unproductive. While full sun is best, they will still do well with a minimum of six hours of sunlight.

When it comes to soil, tomatoes are not particular. They will do equally well in a sandy loam or one with lots

soil be well drained, and a generous amount of peat, compost or well-rotted manure worked into the soil to encourage good root growth and help retain moisture. For container growing, use any of the commercial soil mixes

An adequate supply of water is a must, if your tomatoes are to be vigorous and productive. They will require at least an inch of water a week



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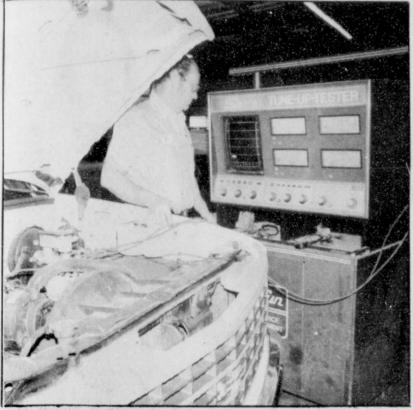
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Getting ready for summer driving: ten tips When it comes to car care, fair tery is with the professional equipment weather seems to lull some motorists into available at good repair shops, but most people can perform routine care. Scrape a false sense of security. Many vacationers traveling by car or light truck this away corrosion from posts and cable consummer will learn too late that hot nections; clean all surfaces; re-tighten all

weather makes its own special demands. The National Institute for Automotive Service Excellence (ASE), a non-profit organization which administers national certification tests to auto, truck, and collision repair technicians, offers the following tips to help you get ready for summer driving. Some are easy to do; others will require the skilled hands of a professional auto technician

1. Getting started. Whether or not you are a do-it-yourselfer, get involved in the car care process. Start by reading your owner's manual. It contains a wealth of information about your vehicle and its components. The manufacturer's recommended service schedules are listed and should be followed. A survey of 400 of the nation's ASE-certified automotive technicians revealed that owners could extend the life of their vehicles by 50 percent or more if they had routine maintenance performed on a timely basis.

2. General cleaning. A dirty, streaked windshield causes eye strain and can be unsafe. Replace worn blades-winter's tough on them-and make certain you have plenty of washer fluid to fight the dust and insects of summer. Don't forget to clean the inside of the windshield too.

A dirty, cluttered interior can cause unnecessary stress, so a thorough cleaning is in order, especially if you plan to travel with children and lots of luggage.

Keep your exterior in top shape by using a gentle detergent formulated for washing vehicles and a good grade of wax or polish. To prevent scratching, never clean today's headlights and taillights with dry rags.

3. Cooling system. The number-one cause of summer breakdowns is overheating. The cooling system should be completely flushed and refilled about every 24 months. The level, condition, and concentration of the coolant should be checked periodically. Never remove the radiator cap until the engine has cooled down. A 50/50 mix of anti-freeze and water is usually recommended. The

tightness and condition of drive belts, clamps, and hoses should be checked by

4. Air conditioning. How long has it been since you, air conditioner was serviced? A marginally operating air conditioning system is likely to fail in hot weather. Have your system examined at a good repair shop.

5. Engine performance. Engine driveability problems such as rough idling, hard starts, stalling, and diminished power should be corrected. The air, fuel, and PCV filters should be replaced ac-cording to the manufacturers' recommendations, more often in dusty condi-

6. Engine oil. The old-fashioned oil change is one of the most vital maintenance tasks, yet paradoxically, it is also one of the most neglected. The oil and filter should be changed as specified in your owner's manual—more often (every 3,000 miles), if you plan long driving with luggage or a trailer in tow, or if you make many short, stop-and-go trips.

7. Tires. Tires, too, are often neglected, robbing owners of thousands of miles of useable tread life and posing a potential safety hazard. Tires should be rotated about every 5,000 miles. The air pressure should be checked once a month; let the tires "cool down" first. Check the sidewalls for nicks and cuts. Examine tires for tread life, uneven wearing and cupping

An alignment is warranted if your vehicle "pulls" while you are driving on a straight road or if there's uneven tread wear. Cupping (treads look as though they've been cupped out of the tire) indicates a balance problem. Remember to check your spare tire and make certain your jack is in good working condition.

8. Brakes. Regular maintenance will extend the life of your brakes and will prevent more costly repairs due to neglect. Brakes should be inspected as recommended by your manual, or sooner if you notice pulsations, grabbing, noises,

or longer stopping distances.

9. Battery. Most people associate battery failure with cold weather. But batteries can fail in hot weather too. The only accurate way to detect a weak nat-

Professional modern tune-ups at 30,000 mile recommended

m"In the desire to keep their cars in top ondition, do-it-yourselfers tend to need lessly replace spark plugs well before the recommended mileage interval. Yet other important tuneup parts are often neglected when replacement is recommended," says Lee Taylor, Marketing Manager for Standard Motor Products, the leading supplier of replacement ignition and engine control parts to automotive service professionals.

For reliable performance with modern, high-voltage ignition systems, spark plugs, distributor caps, rotors, and plug wires should all be replaced at 30,000 mile intervals, Taylor says. According to Taylor, replacing these parts can prevent some of the following performance prob-

- · Erratic idle and hesitation; · Poor fuel economy;
- · Erratic shifting with automatic
- · Loss of power at high RPMs; · Failure to pass emissions inspection.

The toll of engine heat

"Engine heat is the main reason why plug wires in particular, as well as distributor caps and rotors, should be replaced every 30,000 miles," Taylor explains. "Plug wires are usually close to exhaust manifolds, where they get baked pretty

shops. Ask friends and associates for their recommendations-word of mouth is a reliable indicator. Contact your local consumer organization regarding reputation, complaints, etc. Do you see vehicles of comparable value to your own on

Once inside, look for reasonably clean and orderly conditions, training certificates indicating exposure to new technology, customer service awards, and the posting of policies, prices, guarantees, etc. Be prepared to describe any unusual noises, vibrations, odors, changes in performance, etc. The staff should be courteous and willing to listen to you and to answer your questions

Remember, regular maintenance can give you peace of mind, catch minor problems before they become more serious, extend the life of your vehicle, and could increase its resale value.

For more information about certified technicians, write: ASE, Dept. MC9O. 13505 Dulles Technology Dr., Herndon.

badly," he adds. Also, to satisfy emission standards, normal engine operating temperatures have increased to around 220 degrees for later model cars. The trend to downsized cars has just concentrated this heat in a smaller area under the hood," he

"Under these conditions, it's remarkable that modern ignition components

can handle the onslaught of electrical surges at 20,000 volts or more and still perform well for 30,000 miles."

Effects of high voltage

"Modern ignition systems generally operate in the 20-50,000 volt range or higher. That's a lot of juice compared to the 5,000 volt breaker point ignition systems of yesteryear," Taylor remarks.

"Since 30,000 volts can arc a spark an inch and a half, any breakdown in the insulating properties of the cap, rotor or wire can allow the spark to arc to ground before it reaches the plug. This is why it's so important to keep caps, rotors and wires in top notch condition," Taylor emphasizes. "At Standard, we have a proud tradition for supplying these parts to professional automotive technicians with a level of quality as good or better than original equipment," he adds.

This popularity among professionals doesn't happen by accident. At Standard, we perform exhaustive tests on ignition components to determine the material compositions that will deliver the best possible performance over the longest period of service," he notes.

'Yet most components in the spark path need replacement at 30,000 mile intervals to avoid overall degradation of engine performance, fuel economy, and exhaust emissions," Taylor advises.

Advice for do-it-yourselfers

"With a properly functioning modern nition system, the spark plugs will still dean after 30,000 miles," Taylor says. owever, after long exposure to 2,000 degree combustion temperatures, spark plugs suffer from erosion, he explains. 'Plugs should be replaced at 30,000

because they are dirty," he points out. "In a modern ignition system, dirty plugs before 20,000 miles indicate some other problems such as a cylinder blow-

miles because they will be eroded, not

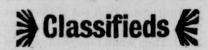
"A reasonably skilled do-it-yourselfer can certainly replace plugs, plug wires, the distributor cap and rotor himself at the recommended intervals. We always urge the car-owner to use quality parts from a supplier to the professional community. These parts should meet or exceed original equipment specifications.

High-tech cars require qualified touch

"The 1980s have brought many advances in electronic engine controls,' Taylor continues. "During this period of change to fuel injection and electronic ignition, many different bugs have developed in many different models," he

'Automotive suppliers have issued volumes of technical information to keep professional technicians aware of specific problems with specific models. Standard Motor Products alone conducted 3,000 clinics for automotive technicians last year, and service professionals have ac-

'The do-it-yourselfer, on the other hand, doesn't have ready access to this type of information, or the training and experience to go along with it. As a result, a car owner may spend hours beating his head against a brick wall trying to solve a performance problem that a qualified service specialist would correct as standard procedure during routine maintenance," says Taylor.





Every engine needs protection from summer heat

You're in bumper-to-bumper traffic and the temperature is 90 degrees. Suddenly the "engine" light comes on, steam rises from under the hood, and you end up at the side of the road, frustrated and

connections. Wear eye protection and

rubber gloves to avoid contact with the

10. Finding good auto service. An integral part of the car care process includes

finding good repair and service. An in-

creasingly popular way to judge the tech-

nical know-how of individual technicians

is to look for certification. The National

Institute for Automotive Service Excel-

lence (ASE) conducts the only national,

industry-wide competency testing pro-

ASE-certified technicians wear blue

and white shoulder insignia and carry

pocket credentials listing their areas of

technical expertise (brakes, engine re-

pair, etc.), and their employers often dis-

play the ASE sign on the premises. There

are about 250,000 ASE technicians

throughout the nation at every type of re-

There are also ways to judge repair

corrosive deposits and acid.

gram for working technicians.

This kind of situation is every motorist's nightmare. But, by providing your car's cooling system with the right kind of maintenance, this troublesome situation can be avoided

To help keep your engine cool in spring and summer heat, First Brands Corporation in Danbury, Conn., the manufacturer of Prestone cooling system products, has provided a few helpful sug-

Draining and flushing a vehicle's cooling system should be the first steps in preparing it for spring and summer driving. This can be a simple procedure that can significantly help to rid the system of any accumulated rust, grease and dirt that often collect as sediment, and as a result, hinder the cooling system's per-

However, flushing the cooling system with just water isn't enough. A product designed specifically for this task, such as Prestone Super Flush, should be in-cluded in the flushing process. It is safe for use in all engine cooling systems and can cut through 53 percent more oil, dirt and rust than water can. To help in the flushing process, First Brands also offers a Prestone Flush'N Fill Kit that contains all the fittings and tools necessary to

make the process easy and quick

Once the cooling system has been thoroughly flushed, the next step is to refill the system with the proper mixture of antifreeze/coolant and water. The total mixture amount of antifreeze and water is dependent upon the cooling system's capacity. Vehicle owners should check the owner's manual to determine their system's capacity.

According to the experts, a minimum 50-50 mix of Prestone Advanced Formula Anti Freeze/Coolant and water can raise a cooling system's boiling point to 265°F., and a 70-30 mix (70 percent antifreeze/coolant to water) can provide maximum boilover protection up to

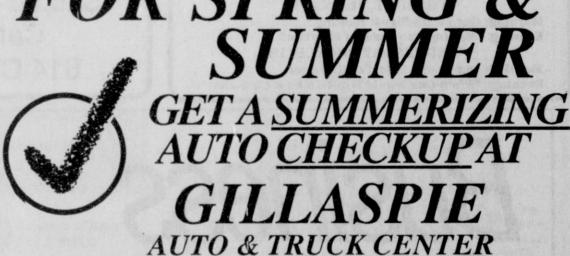
If the vehicle was manufactured in the past decade, it probably has a coolant recovery reservoir. This enables the owner to check the coolant/water level by simply seeing how much coolant is in the reservoir. For older cooling systems that don't have recovery reservoirs, owners should make sure the coolant/water level is approximately one inch from the filler

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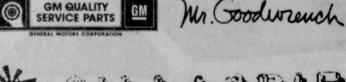
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On The Go With Joy by Joy Henderson

tor trip, I'm beginning to feel several years closer to some of my friends' age. Some of them are way past 80 and some of them are just barely over. Anyhow, I commented that even though their bodies were breaking up or rusting out and are getting pretty bent out of shape, at least their brain was still working good. Then when I laughed some of them were kind of wondering if I was making fun of them.

Well, I wasn't making fun of them but a fellow writer recently summed it up in a message called "On Becoming 80" which was used as favors for birthday celebrations.

"I have news for you. Life begins at 80! The first 80 years are the hardest. After 80, life is a picnic. Everybody wants to help you carry your baggage and help you down the steps. If you forget a person's name, an appointment, or promise to be in two places at the same time, you have only to explain that you

"If you spill soup on your shirt, fail to shave one side of your face or your shoes don't match, it's all because you're 80. At 80 you can relax with no misgivings. You have a perfect alibi for everything. Nobody expects much of you. If you act silly, it's your second childhood. Everybody is looking for signs of softening of the brain.

After a three day whirlwind mo- and become a disgruntled, grumbling, bored 'has been.'

"But if you survive till 80, everybody is surprised that you can walk without a cane, that you can talk above a whisper and that you show lucid moments. At 70, people are mad at you for everything, at 80, they'll forgive anything.

"If you ask me, life begins at 80. We've got it made!"

For those of us who are not 80 yet, I can tell you how to burn up some calories and hurry up the aging process. You can do it by beating around the bush, jogging your memory, jumping to conclusions, climbing the walls, swallowing your pride, passing the buck, flying off the handle, spinning your wheels, tooting your own horn, throwing your weight around, dragging your feet, pushing your luck, making mountains out of molehills, bending over backwards, jumping on the bandwagon, wading through paperwork, balancing the books, beating your head against the wall,running around in circles, chewing nails and eating crow.

Well, my whirlwind trip consisted of a brief visit with my aunt Nadine Schmitz of Wichita Falls who is critically ill. Also I renewed my acquaintance with cousin Bobby, his wife Jackie and their son Steve. Then we had a chance to visit M.H.'s cousin, Joyce Massey "It's a good deal better than 65 or and her husband J.M. whom we 70. At that time, they expect you to met at the Henderson reunion last retire to a mobile home in Florida year at Lake Palestine. After we

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were talked out, we decided a 2 1/2 hour drive to Purcell, Okla., was in order to visit my parents Arthur and Maxine Cox. Two trips to Wallywood and a phone conversation with my niece Vickie made our trip complete. But all that sitting and traveling by car has made for some mighty stiff joints.

Oscar and Violet Lee have helped keep the roads sizzling by picking up their granddaughter Chanda Lee in Childress for a brief visit. Then they took Chanda back and picked up the other granddaughter Tiffanie on Saturday. To round out their trip, they will then take Tiffanie back this coming Wednesday to Childress to meet their mother Helen Red, who will return to the home near Ft. Worth.

Dean and Frances Lee popped in for a visit with his daughters. The Lees have also received visits from several of Oscar's nieces and nephew and their families. Included were Audie and Mary Lee from Austin and Ila Breeden from Ft. Worth. Ila's son and family from Amarillo were Harold, and Debbie Breeden and children Jake and Christy. Also from Amarillo was Clair Helen Cole, another of Oscar's

I may be repeating some of my news, but I think I left out some news for last week. If so, and/or I repeat, forgive me and just say I am probably one of those approaching

Anyhow, Hugh and Marie Bell spent part of Spring Break near Houston visiting and maybe getting a little wet. This past weekend, Courtney Moore visited in the home of her grandparents Fred and Georgia Moore. Courtney's home is in Goodwell. Kimberly Bivins of Canadian was guest in the home of Stan and Sharon Seagler and sons.

Robert and Sue Dahl enjoyed a visit from their daughter Brenda who is a teacher at Crandal. She was accompanied by Bud Hopkins from Seagoville, Texas. June Barkley enjoyed having grandson Tanner and his mother Julie (Barkley) Sledge from Coppell,



(photo courtesy Gruver PTA)

Winners of Gruver PTA's "Reflections" contest included Poster Contest winners Britt Carter, Crystal Deeds and Candace Barrerra, Artistic Merit winner Annie Mayhew, and Literary winner Jennifer Renteria.

Several Gruverites along with Mindy Davis attended the girls' basketball State Play-offs in Austin recently.

Jim Deakin and Lori Schultz will be attending the Philippine Crusade conducted by Baptist churches from March 11-24.

Welcome to the very newest baby! It's a boy, Morris Jacob Anderson, who was born Feb. 15th, 1992 weighing 6 lbs. 9 1/2 oz. Proud parents are Morris and Kerry (Minter)

Among those who are ailing are Linda Walters and Ben Arthur who recently were hospitalized in Spearman. Linda Walters was taken to St. Anthony's and remains there for treatment and diagnosis. H.O. Bateman is also in Amarillo at St. Anthony's. T.C. Harvey has returned home from a hospital visit but is still not feeling very good. Buddy Etling remains in the manor while receiving some treatments.

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Church of Christ to hold Gospel meeting

by Joy Henderson

The featured speaker scheduled for a gospel meeting at the Gruver Church of Christ March 15-18 is David Tarbet, currently serving at the 16th and Pile Church of Christ in Clovis, N.M.

Tarbet is a native Texan who was born in 1941. He received a B.A. in Bible from Abilene Christian University and also did post graduate work there. He received a M.A. in Religion from Fairfield University in Fairfield, Conn.

His family consists of wife Paula Dosier, sister of Connie Burgoon of Gruver, two sons and two daughters. David and Paula were married in 1964. David Paul is employed by Nutmeg Savings Bank in Danbury, Conn. He and his wife Mary are parents of Laura Ashley. Timothy Brian is a graduate of Freed-Hardeman University and Lubbock Christian University. Joanna Elizabeth is a student at Freed-Hardeman University and Judith Katrine is a student at Clovis, N.M., High School.

Tarbet is very active in personal evangelism, having worked with Northeast Awakening Soul-Winning Workshop in Danbury. Other efforts include speaking for Gospel treated at the hospital. The memmeetings, and contributing articles bers at the meeting signed Get Well to "Gospel Advocate" and "Christian Chronicle." He is past Editorin-Chief of "Search Magazine."

Churches he has served include Anderson St. Church of Christ in Big Spring, Texas; Clapboard Ridge Road in Danbury, Conn.; and 16th and Pile in Clovis, N.M.

Gruver senior citizens meet

by Joy Henderson

Gruver senior citizens meeting on March 9 were Ada Joyce and James Stedje, True and Frankie Leatherman, I.W. and Maylynn Ayres, Ralph and Beaulah Ben Bort, Eva Boyd, Viola Boyd, Vivian Green, Charmian Lyle, Fay Blount, Ida Hendrick, Leo Frazier, Jessie Spivey, Maude McClellan, Leona Harris, Faye Cluck, Verna Finley, Rebecca Westerfield, Fred Davidson, Bill Etling and J.C. Har-

Nurse Gonzales attended to take blood pressure. It was learned that Pearl Shapley, a resident of the manor, had fallen and received cuts requiring some stitches. She was cards to be sent to Pearl.

Arts, crafts bazaar set in Dalhart

DALHART - The third annual "XIT Arts and Crafts Bazaar" is scheduled for Friday and Saturday, Aug. 7 and 8, during the 56th annual XIT Rodeo and Reunion Celebration in Dalhart.

The bazaar is co-sponsored by the Dallam County 4-H Parent Leader Association and the XIT Rodeo and Reunion. It will be held in the Dalhart Elementary School which is a new location on the main drag to the rodeo grounds. Hours will be 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. on Friday and noon to 6 p.m. on Saturday.

Anyone interested in having an exhibit at the bazaar should write to the XIT Arts & Crafts Bazaar c\o Dallam County 4-H Parent Leader Association, P.O. Box 9376, Dalhart, Texas 79022, for an entry form, or call 806-249-5646 or 806-249-4344. Linda Marshall, this year's booth reservation chairman, can be reached at 806-249-6708.

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May God bless each of you in a special way for being so compassionate over the past few months, and for loving Michael.

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Around the track:

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800m run: Cody Pipkin, 2nd, 2:09: Ernesto Puentes, 3rd, 2:10 110mhigh hurdles: Brian Beck,

16.42; Radar Garcia, 5th, 16.9 100m dash: Lonnie Gallegos,

1st, 16.02; Jason Varnon, 2nd,

300m int. hurdles: Brian Beck, 1st, 41.50 (meet record); Jason Varnon, 5th, 46.0

200m dash: Tim Dooley, 3rd,

1600m relay: Brian Beck, Radar Garcia, Cody Pipkin, Tim Dooley, 4th, 3:39

High jump: Tim Kizziar, 1st, 6'4" (meet record); Cody Pipkin, 2nd, 6'; Trey Porter, 4th, 5'8'

Long jump: Radar Garcia, 1st, 18'10.75"; Jason Varnon, 3rd, 17'11"; Lonnie Gallegos, 5th, 17'4"

Triple jump: Radar Garcia, 1st, Board from page 1

science rooms at the high school for new lab equipment.

In relation to the above the board voted unanimously to allow bids to be taken to purchase and install laboratory tables, plumbing and other equipment in five science rooms at the high school. According to Butler the specifications for the furnishings and equipment for the rooms were arrived at by consultations with the teachers and outside consultants.

The board accepted a bid of approximately \$23,000 from Computer Plus, of Amarillo, for the purchase of 11 new computers, hardware and software for the high school computer lab.

The board met in closed session for about two hours. According to

SPEARMAN ISD MARCH 16-20 LUNCH

Monday - frito pie, pinto beans, buttered carrots, corn bread, butter, fruit, milk

Tuesday - chili cheese dogs, tater tots, buttered corn, peach cobbler, 39'2.5" (meet record)

Pole vault: Brian Beck, 2ND, 11'6"; Dee Mayfield, 5th, 9'6"

Shot put: Landon Swan, 2nd, 44'4.75"; Brian Kidder, 3rd, 44'4.5" Discus: Landon Swan, 1st,

> Spearman Varsity Girls Stratford, 3\6-7

100m hurdles: Joy Gafford, 1st, 16.92; Suzanne Sanders, 2nd, 18.17 400m dash: Mary Cook, 3rd, 65.45; Shannon Holton

200m dash: Suzanne Sanders, 2nd, 28.84; Sonya Nitschke, 6th,

High jump: Mary Cook, 1st, 4'11"; Suzanne Sanders, 2nd, 4'10"; Jill Lusby, 3rd, 4;10"

100m dash: Michelle Garnett, 2nd, 13.32; Holly Jarvis, 6th, 14.14; Trixie Pearson

300m hurdles: Joy Gafford, 1st,

800m run: Mary Cook, 2nd, 2:40.9; Jill Lusby, 4th, 2:45.3

their agenda they were discussing campus personnel contracts, part time aide employment, coaching applicants and classroom replacement for athletic director-football coach. When the board reconvened in open session they voted to employ all the current high school, junior high and elementary teachers for next year, to hire Gail Smith as a part time library aide for this year, and to hire Janie Henton full time to teach the retired Don Mullins' classes.

In the same series of actions, the board voted to give Rick Smith a two year contract as head football coach at SISD. Smith's salary will be \$37,500 per year. The board also voted to grant a two year extension to Jim Kirkland as high school principal and head girls' basketball

Wednesday - steak fingers, gravy, half baked potato, sour cream, bacon bits, hot rolls, butter. almond butter, fruit, milk

Thursday - chicken & noodles, sweet peas, fruit, biscuits, jelly & butter, milk

Friday - hamburger, french fries, lettuce, tomato, pickle, onion,

cookie, milk

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Shieldknight, 7th, 7:14; Amanda Nobles, 12th, 8:00

Michelle Garnett, 3rd, 55.5

Spearman 8th Girls Stratford, 3\6-7 **Top Three Finishers**

Kara Townsen: 1st-Discus, 1st-200m dash, 1st-100m dash, 2nd-Triple jump, 2nd-400m dash

Tiffanie Rex: 1st-Shot put Toni Davis: 3rd-200m hurdles Tiffanie Bruning: 3rd-High

Kelli Shieldknight: 2nd-Long

The board turned down a request by Butler to approve the purchase of a computer, printer and other hardware to allow the school to become a part of the TENET network. They approved the request of tennis team coach Kurt Ashmore for overnight trips to Hereford, Plainview and Lubbock.

Butler reported to the board that Spearman Equity had the lowest gas bids for March. They were 68.3 cents for gas and 65.17 cents for diesel. He also said that one expulsion order had been given without a request for a board hearing, and that another had been dealt with by other means.

Regular business for the meeting included approval of the minutes from the last meeting, paying of \$92,632.39 in bills and allowing several budget amendments to this year's school budget.

The board adjourned at approximately 11:30 p.m.

Long jump: Holly Jarvis, 1st,

15'9.75" Shot put: Ashley Shieldknight,

4th, 24'; Telie O'Quin, 5th, 21'

Ashley 1600m run:

4 x 100 relay: Trixie Pearson, Holly Jarvis, Shannon Holton,

School commended

The following was released by Larry Butler, superintendent of Spearman schools.

From: Recruiter In Charge, Amarillo, TX

To: Faculty and Staff of Spearman High School

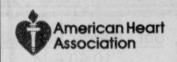
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THE REPORTER-STATESMAN THURSDAY, MARCH 12, 1992 PAGE 9 Tennis team wins at Borger

On the strength of their doubles play the Spearman tennis team won 7 matches to 5 against Dumas and won 6 matches from Borger at the Borger quad meet on Saturday, March 7.

The Spearman tennis team started the day with a match against Dumas. The number one girls doubles team of Tamri and Kimbre Townsen swept through their opponents 6-0, 6-1 and in their second match 6-2, 6-0. The other doubles team of Shea Crawford and Rainey Whittington had problems with their opponents losing in three sets 8-6, 0-6, 1-6. The girls singles players had their troubles with

straight sets.

The boys doubles teams got Spearman back on the winning track as they swept all eight of their matches. The number one team of Mike Hager and Clint Townsen won both of their matches by scores of 6-3, 6-5 and 6-4, 6-3. The number two team of Wes Dyess and Sherman Jones won their matches 6-1, 6-1 and 6-1, 6-2.

The boys single player Chad Wilkerson contributed to the Spearman winning column by beating opponent 6-3,7-5.

In the afternoon the Spearman tennis team faced off against the host team Borger. As with the morning matches the number one girls doubles team of Townsen and

Townsen won their match but it was not as easy as in the morning. The Borger team pushed the Spearman team to three close sets. The scores were 6-3, 2-6 and 7-5.

Crawford and Shea split one and one in their two matches against Borger. The first one they lost 0-6, 1-6. They won the second 6-2, 6-3.

Butts and Strawn continued to have troubles an they lost each of their matches in straight sets.

The boys doubles teams continued to win. They each won two matches each. Townsen and Hager posted wins of 6-3, 6-3 and 7-5, 6-4. Dyess and Sherman post wins by the scores of 6-3, 5-7, 6-0 and 6-4, 6-

As head football coach . . .

Smith to replace Mullins

The Spearman ISD Board of Trustees voted unanimously Monday, March 9, to hire Ric Smith to replace recently retired Spearman head football coach Don Mullins.

Borger opponents as both Kelli

Butts and Nikki Strawn lost in

Smith has been a coach at Spearman since 1981 and has been defensive coordinator for the Lynx for the last nine years. He started at Spearman under head coach Jimmy Duncan.

Before coming to Spearman, Smith had eight years of previous coaching experience. He coached at Canyon, Ralls, Bovina and

In talking about next year Smith feels that a second district championship is a goal. He admits it will be hard to achieve because the Lynx will be returning only three starters from this year's team. "We will be depending a lot on this year's JV players," said Smith.

There were three changes in the Lynx athletic program that Smith said will take place next year. One is that Kurt Ashemore will be moved up to the high school. A second is that he would like to start a weight program for all high school athletes. Third, he plans to have coaches monitor weekly, the academic performance of Lynx athletes. He would like to be able to head off eligibility problems because of grades before it is too late.

3. Once again, congratulations

-s- Antony C. Melendez

Chief Petty Officer

on a job well done. .



Ric Smith

Smith is married and has two daughters. His wife, Sandee, teaches third grade at Spearman Elementary. His oldest daughter, Sunshine, is a 1989 graduate of SHS and is currently attending West Texas State University. Daughter Shari is a seventh grader at Spearman Junior High.



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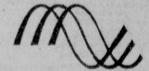
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2nd public meeting conducted by in 1992." Upon hearing the good Texas Parks and Wildlife was a huge success with a standing-roomonly crowd of over 100 concerned citizens. The meeting had to be moved from the Commissioners' Court to a bigger courtroom. The TPW surely were impressed with the number of interested taxpay-

Most were there to talk about the fishing conditions at Lake Meredith, but several avid hunters used the forum to get some answers on proposed changes in the 1992-93 hunting regulations.

The most interesting exchange on hunting concerned the proposal to ban bowhunters from carrying firearms. BESTLOGIC of the night: the international signal of distress is three gun shots, not three arrows flying in the air.

For the fishermen is was a night of a small victory and several disappointments.

GREAT NEWS for local fish: After conducting cove kills as recently as the summer of '91, TPW regional biologist JOE KRAAI of





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The much-balleyhooed March are scheduled for Panhandle lakes news, that great stone face, PLAYA PETE, almost smiled. It took six months to get that answer from Mr.

> The TPW disclosed that the proposed slot limit protecting smallmouth bass will allow an angler to keep only three smallmouth either under 12 inches or over 15 inches. The current limit is five and each must be over 14 inches.

> Since last fall, Kraai has changed his mind concerning the need to lower the walleye length limit. Minimum size will remain 16 inches, at least for another year.

> HIGHLIGHT of the meeting: After testimony from numerous anglers lamenting the fishing conditions at Meredith, up stepped part-time walleye guide MELVIN STOVALL of Fritch, who claimed that "LAKE MEREDITH is a walleye fisherman's paradise." Melvin backed up his claim with a cooler full of keeper walleyes. It is nice that a guide can catch fish, but it would be better if the average angler, who cannot be on the lake twice a week, could share that suc-

> Final decisions on all fishing and hunting rules will be made by the TPW commissioners at their summer mesting and will be effective as of Sept. 1, 1992.

SUMMARY: Sadly, the TPW reected all suggestions from the public on the need to improve fishing in the Panhandle. They continue to ignore the facts: local bass, walleye, and striper anglers are being forced into spending their money in New Mexico, Oklahoma, or down-state.

NEXT WEEK - my interview with Mr. Walleye, MELVIN STOVALL.

Around the track

Gruver Varsity Boys Stratford, 3\6-7

800m: Scott McCloy, 4th, 2:12.12 100m: Raul Villegas, 2nd, 11165 400m: Ricky Oliva, 5th, 58.6; Rosie Arreola, 6th, 60.1

200m: Raul Villegas, 4th, 24.6 1600m: Max Davis, 4th, 5:34.5

> **Gruver JV Bovs** Stratford, 3\6-7

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Julie Meyer

Ladies from page 1

worked her way out of it by spending extra time on her own here in the gym. In the first quarter, she was 15-18 in the playoffs, and that is fantastic - 83%

"Wynn is tough - a better shooter than anybody knows, especially Wynn. She is a rebounder and a defender. A lot of times she played the other teams' best wing/low post player. I always wanted Wynn on the floor - she is a 'versatile defender,' and is very aggressive when the refs let her play.'

"Anissa is the key to our team. She led the district in assists with 10.5 per game in district play. She is a much improved defensive basketball player, and a very unselfish player. She ran the team just like I wanted her to run it - she accepted the new style, which was more postoriented."

"Julie is a great defender. She is

110m Hurdles: Kevin McNett,

100m: Ryon Atwood, 3rd, 12.4 400m: Ryon Atwood, 1st, 55.08 200m: Ryon Atwood, 2nd, 24.77 1600m: Joe Bravo, 3rd, 5:50 Highjump: Eric Wright, 4th, 5'0'

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the best defensive freshman I've ever seen. She is a great rebounder - she made the team because of her rebounding. Julie will be as good as she wants to be.'

Anissa Ryan

Shannon Pool

Coach Myatt didn't want to forget the two who made honorable mention. "Cora is a defensive demon. She plays the best 'help defense' on the team. Tisha is a great kid - a joy to be around. She plays good defense, scores at good times, and is a great passer. She has a good feel for the game."

Also making all-district were the academic whizzes. They were Traci Crawford (98.2), Sara Jones (96.2), Monica Ward (95.4), and Wynn Maupin (95.0).

It was a season to remember for the Lady Hounds, a season where they finished 22-11 - the first 20win season in 28 years.

School menu

GRUVER ISD MARCH 16-20 LUNCH

Monday - chicken nuggets, mashed potatoes with gravy, vegetables, cake, hot rolls, milk

Tuesday - chili with crackers, carrot sticks, fruit, donuts, milk Wednesday - barbecue beef,

beans, cobbler, corn bread, milk Thursday - ham & cheese deli sandwich, potato chips, pickle spears, fruit, milk

fries, lettuce, pickles, cheese, cookies, milk Salad bar Monday and Wednes-

Friday - hamburgers, french

day only

BREAKFAST

Monday - oatmeal, cinnamon bread, juice, milk

Tuesday - french toast, syrup, fruit, milk

Wednesday - donuts, fruit, milk Thursday - biscuits & sausage, fruit, milk

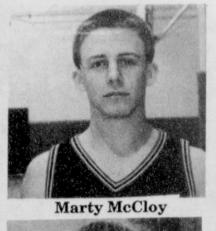
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Wynn Maupin

Hounds from page 1

in the district, offensively and defensively. He did a super job when he was outmatched as far as size."

6'2" Senior Forward Matthew Hoel - "His asset is that he could go inside or out - he was a decent perimeter shooter as well as being able to play on the block.

Brady Pool, 5'8" Junior Guard, was selected honorable mention, and Coach Garland said of Brady, "He was a sparkplug. He could come in and make things happen. He is a guard who sees the floor better than any that we've ever had."

Mika McLain

Matthew Hoel

No Most Valuable Player selection was made this year. Selected to all-district, academic, were Luke Miller and Carey Kauffman.

It is obvious to all who followed the Hounds this year that they were a fraction away from a possible state tourney appearance, and Gruver fans can sense that it will happen in the near future. This year's team can be proud of its 26-

PRPC visits chambers

by Cindy Blackman

On Monday, March 7 at 7 p.m. the Spearman and Gruver Chambers of Commerce met with representatives from the Panhandle Regional Planning Commission office in Amarillo to discuss economic development and obtaining grants for Hansford County.

Perna Strickland and Courtney Sharp, both economic development directors with the PRPC, conducted the seminar.

Those attending from Spearman included Jim Brown, Hansford county judge; Al LaRochelle, Hansford Hospital administrator; Cindy Blackman, Spearman Chamber of Commerce; Monty Blackman, Brown, Graham & Co.; Randy Kirk, Interstate Savings & Loan; Steve

Spearman; and Pete Fisher.

Those attending from Gruver included A.J. Ratliff, Gruver Chamber of Commerce and Gruver city manager; June Barkley, Gruver Chamber of Commerce president; and Buster Davis, Gruver State Bank

This meeting was very helpful in showing what Hansford County needs and how county residents can work together to attract new business and, more importantly, how to keep existing businesses in Hansford County.

Topics of discussion included retention of business, business attraction, funding needs for the hospital and manor, the declining tax base in Hansford County, recreational needs - both indoor and out-Benton, Five Star Equipment; door, an agricultural experiment Kelvin Knauf, Spearman city man- station, higher education, and proager; Clay Schnell, First State Bank moting Hansford County.

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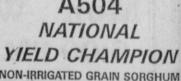
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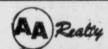
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line, Sec. 187,2,GH&H, 10 mi NW from Gruver, PD 7050' (Nine East Fourth, Suite 800, Tulsa, OK 74103) **Plugged Wells**

GRAY (PANHANDLE) Harken Exploration Co., Clarence Anderson 'A', Sec. 203, B-2, H&GN (oil) for the following wells:

#6, spud 6-14-89, plugged 2-3-92, TD 3350'

#7, spud 6-6-89, plugged 2-6-92, TD 3350'

HANSFORD (WILDCAT) Strat Land Exploration Co., #2 Turner, Sec. 61,4-T,T&NO, spud 1-10-92, plugged 1-17-92, TD 5085' (dry) -

HUTCHINSON (PANHANDLE) J.M. Huber Corp., #7 E.B. Johnson 'E', Sec. 5,1,B&B, spud 10-20-45, plugged 2-3-92, TD 3170' (oil) -Form 1 filed in Continental Oil Co.

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SHERMAN (WILDCAT) JAW Oil Co., #1 Jeanne, Sec. 382,1-T,T&NO, 1-1-91, plugged 2-10-92, TD 2128' (dry) -

Oil Well Completions

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Obituaries

W.R. Riggs STINNETT - W.R. "Randy" Riggs, 84, died Friday, March 6. Mr. Riggs, born in Elmview, had been a resident of Stinnett for 42

years. He retired from Phillips Petroleum Co. as a maintenance engineer. He married Pearl White in 1927 at Wellington. He was a member of Adobe Walls Masonic Lodge

No. 1355 and a Baptist.

Survivors include his wife; two daughters, Maxine Little of Spearman and Lou Whiddon of Huntington; a son, C.R. Riggs of Bowie; five grandchildren; and 11 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted Monday, March 9 in Stinnett United Methodist Church with Zeb Sailors, minister of Stinnett Church of Christ, officiating. Burial was in Sunset Memorial Cemetery.

Mildred D. Ottinger STRATFORD - Mildred D. Ottinger, 81, died Wednesday,

Mrs. Ottinger, born in Beaver County, Okla., was a longtime Stratford resident. She moved to El Dorado, Kan., in 1989. She was a graduate of Panhandle State University at Goodwell, Okla., where she received a bachelor's degree in science. A retired school teacher, she taught school in Oklahoma for 11 years, in Texas for 12 years and in Kansas for three years. She was a member of First United Methodist Church and Order of the Eastern Star Stratford Chapter No. 960.

Survivors include a daughter, Martha Ross of Spearman; a son, Marshall Ottinger of El Dorado, Kan.; a brother, Zenas Dobbs of

Bullhead City, Ariz.; six sisters, Lenora Wheaton of White Clay, Neb., Leta Cayford, Jewel Jones and Helen Berry, all of Enid, Okla., and Myra Allen of Port Neches; five eight grandchildren; stepgrandchildren; two greatgrandchildren; and nine step-greatgrandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted Saturday, March 7 in First United Methodist Church with the Rev. John Wagoner, pastor, and the Rev. Harold James of Boise City, Okla., officiating. Burial was in Garrett Cemetery.

The family requests memorials be to United Methodist Ministries.

Hospital Notes

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Sochtman, Pearl Shapley, Ila Mae Buchanan Tuesday, March 10 - R.T.

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