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## Hansford County Stock Show Slated

The 2002 Hansford Stock Show will kickoff Friday, February 8, at 9:15 a.m. in the Gruver County Barn with the judging of lamb

The steer show will begin at the conclusion of the lamb show on Friday to round out the day's events.

The swine show at 9:00 a.am. Saturday will usher in Saturday's events with a judging contest at 1:00 a.m. The 2002 Hansford County Stock Show Sale at 6:30 p.m. will conclude the weekend's

Weigh - ins for lambs and steers will begin at 7:00 a.m. Friday February 8. Weigh-in for swine entries will begin immediately following the steer show on Friday at approximately 2:30

David Jett of Laverne, OK, will judge the 19 steer entries while Tom Lamle of Beaver, Ok, will judge the 82 swine entries, and Bart Stover of Follett, the 52 lambs exhibits.

#### Farm Service Agency Allocates Funds For Socially Disadvantaged Applicants

Farm Service Agency reserves direct and guaranteed loan funds each year to help Socially Disadvantaged Applicants (SDA) buy and operate family sized farms and ranches. A SDA farmer is from a group whose members have been subjected to racial, ethnic, or gender prejudice because of their identity as members of the group without regard to individual qualities. For pur-poses of the SDA Loan Program, socially disadvantaged groups are women, African Americans, American Indians, Alaskan Natives, Hispanics, Asians and Pacific Islanders.

SDA loans are available for farm ownership and operating loans. Money is specifically tar geted to assist these individuals. SDA farmers must meet the same oan eligibility requirements as traditional applicants.

People who think they may be eligible are urged to contact the local FSA Service Center in their area or contact Mike Heck, Farm oan Manager for FSA at (806)

#### Amarillo Opera To Present Lift Every Voice Concert

Representative Helen Holt, announces Amarillo Opera's 8th annual Lift Every Voice Concert on Saturday, February 2, 2002 at Amarillo Civic Center

The evening is guaranteed to inspire, entertain, and renew the faith, hope, and spirits of all who attend.

Special guest artists include Hope Shiver, soprano, and her sister, Kay Pace, pianist. Ms. Shiver is a former Miss Alabama and Miss Congeniality with the International Beauty Pageant She has performed in commercials for TV and radio as well as legitimate theater, musical the ater, movies and opera. She has sung with major orchestras and opera throughout the world. Also a playwright and composer, Ms Shiver has won the coveted George Hawkins Playwriting Award. Kay Pace holds a Doctorate of Musical Arts from Peabody Conservatory of Music and a Doctor of Ethno-musicolofrom Pacific Western University. She has won numer ous piano competitions and per formed across the world including the Kennedy Center and Carnegie Hall.

General admission tickets are \$5 for students and \$10 for adults and can be purchased from local United Super Market stores or from Panhandle Tickets at the Amarillo Civic Center, 378-3096. Service charges are added at United and also by Panhandle Tickets. For VIP tickets, contact the Amarillo Opera at 372-7464.

# **H&S EMS Receives Service Award**

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was honored with two awards at the 2002 Panhandle Emergency Medical Services System Banquet, held January 12 in Amarillo.

The service garnered the PEMSS 2001 Volunteer Provider of the Year Award while Beatrice Comp was named the PEMSS 2001 EMT-Intermediate of the Year.

PEMSS, a department of Northwest Texas Healthcare System, provides offline medical control through a number of emergency physicians, coordinates communications between hospitals and EMS providers as well as presenting educational opportunities for 28 counties in the Texas Panhandle.

"It can be taken for granted that when you need an ambulance, you call 9-1-1 and someone will come. Spearman and Hansford County, like many areas in the Panhandle rely on volunteers to staff an ambulance service around the clock," said Jeff Barnhart, Regional Marketing Coordinator System. "The time committed by Spearman EMS providers can be equated to at least a part-time job."

Nominations for the award were submitted by members of the community, primarily from hospital staff and physicians who work on a day-to-day basis with EMS personnel. The PEMSS advisory board, consisting of 10 members representing five different regions in the organization, evaluated all nominations sent in from across the Texas Panhandle and made the final selection.

"It takes a great deal of blood, sweat and tears, by a lot of people, to make this thing work," Brent Thornton, paramedic and assistant EMS Director, said. "That includes not only the members but their families as well. The families are who makes the greatest sacrifice. This award is for them as well."

The service is comprised of 21 members, which includes nine certified or licensed paramedics, one EMT-Intermediate and 11 EMT's. In addition, three EMT's finished requirements for their intermediate certifications in 2001 and are presently enrolled in paramedic classes.

"There is no differentiation in the educational requirements of a paid provider versus a volunteers Barnhart added. "Volunteers generally already have full time jobs, which means training is generally done after work hours. The dedica-

H&S EMS, a volunteer-based tion of this crew has meant missed ambulance service in Spearman, dinners, birthdays and anniversaries. Spearman and Hansford County are fortunate to have such a dedicated group.

The roster also boasts five Texas Department of Health certified instructors, one TDH-certified course coordinator six American Heart Association certified CPR instructors and two nationally-reg-

istered paramedics. H&S EMS' members presented several trauma prevention programs for children, which included a bicycle safety program called "Skid Lids for Kids" that gave out over 100 helmets to children in the community. They also taught CPR to schools, the community and hospital staff at no charge and presented two EMT-Basic classes.

An optional incentive program, which pays a token amount to the technician for covering pager time, was also instituted in 2001 to help with call coverage.

Mrs. Comp was honored for her work in organizing a "Teddy Bear Program" to put new teddy bears for Northwest Texas Healthcare on the ambulance for sick or injured children, donating countless hours to trauma prevention programs for children and helping teach CPR classes.

A wife and mother of four children, she is employed as a fulltime EMT-Intermediate for the City of Spearman and hopes to obtain her paramedic certification by June

"This award would not have been possible without the financial support of the City of Spearman, Hansford County or Hansford Hospital," stated McDonald, full-time paramedic and EMS Director. "Those entities played a huge role in making H & S EMS the organization it is now. We are very grateful for that sup-

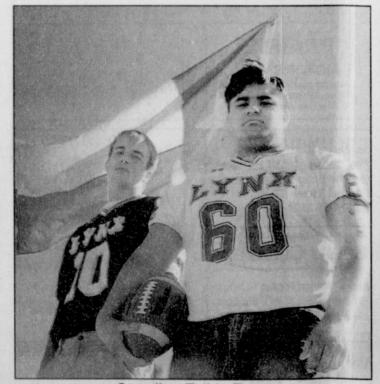
The remaining members include: Jorge Arenivar, Licensed Paramedic (LP); Jolaine Ball, EMT; Justin Boyd, LP; Dwayne Comp; Roger Close, EMT; Michele Davis, LE Hardwick, EMT; Kevin Harris, EMT; Brandie Jarvis, EMT; Jay Lamb, LP; Donna Miller, LP; Rodney Nickel, EMT; Tashi Schumann, EMT; Cynthia Scribner, EMT-Paramedic (EMT-Cynthia P); Darrell Scroggs, EMT; Brent Thornton, LP and Assistant EMS Director; Jason Varnon, LP and Nationally Registered EMT-P; Karen Vasek, EMT; and Ryan Wells, EMT.



Hansford County EMS Volunteers pose with the sign they received upon being named "PEMSS Volunteer Provider of the Year." Pictured above are: (Back Row, L-R) Jason Varnon, Beatrice Comp, Cindy Scribner, Brandie Jarvis and Rodney Nickel; (Middle Row, L-R) Dwayne Comp and Karen Vasek; (Front Row, L-R) Kevin McDonald (EMS Director) and Kevin Harris



Hansford County residents congratulate members of the H&S EMS on receiving the "PEMSS Volunteer Provider of the Year Award." Pictured above are (Back Row, L-R) Spearman City Manager Robert Patrick, City councilman Ron Antalek, County Judge Jim Brown, Tom Latta, Jeff Barnhart (Regional Marketing Director for Northwest Texas Hospital in Amarillo), Mayor Steve Benton and Hansford County Hospital Board member Randall Sauer; (Middle Row, L-R) EMS Volunteers Brandie Jarvis, Beatrice Comp and Cynthia Scribner; (Front Row, L-R) Jolaine Ball, Jorge Arenivar, EMS Director Kevin McDonald, Justin Boyd and Dwayne Comp.



Standing Tall in Texas John Brock (left), running back, and Homer Munoz, offensive lineman, have been named to the Class 2A All State Football Team, honorable mention list. Both young men were senior members of the Lynx football team which advanced to regional competition.



Kevin McDonald **H&S EMS Director** 



**Brent Thornton** H&S EMS Asst. Director

#### **Editor's Note**

Due to miscommunication with our printer, several mistakes were made in last week's article featuring the H&S EMS.

We are reprinting this article with our apologies to those affected.

# Laugh



by Catherine R. Smith CathyRSmit@aol.com

This week I thought I would share something fun with you. I found the following history of Groundhog Day and found it interesting. It was new to me as I did not know where the tradition came from. I hope you find it enlightening as well.

#### The History of Groundhog Day

Groundhog Day, February 2nd, is a popular tradition in the United States. It is also a legend that traverses centuries, its origins clouded in the mists of time with ethnic cultures and animals awakening on specific dates. Myths such as this tie our present to the distant past when nature did, indeed, influence our lives. It is the day that the Groundhog comes out of his hole after a long winter sleep to look for his shadow. If he sees it, he regards it as an omen of six more weeks of bad weather and returns to his hole

If the day is cloudy and, hence, shadowless, he takes it as a sign of spring and stays above ground.

The groundhog tradition stems from similar beliefs associated with Candlemas Day and the days of early Christians in Europe, and for centuries the custom was to have the clergy bless candles and distribute them to the people. Even then, it marked a milestone in the winter and the weather that day was important.

According to an old English song If Candlemas be fair and bright, Come, Winter, have another flight; If Candlemas brings clouds and rain, Go Winter, and come not again. According to an old Scotch couplet.

If Candlemas Day is bright and clear, There'll be twa (two) winters in the year. Another variation of the Scottish rhyme:

If Candlemas day be dry and fair, The half o' winter to come and mair, If Candlemas day be wet and foul, The half of winter's gone at Yule.

The Roman legions, during the conquest of the northern country, supposedly brought this tradition to the Teutons, or Germans, who picked it up and concluded that if the sun made an appearance on Candlemas Day, an animal, the hedgehog, would cast a shadow, thus predicting six more weeks of bad weather, which they interpolated as the length of the

Pennsylvania's earliest settlers were Germans and they found groundhogs to in profusion in many parts of the state. They determined that the groundhog, resembling the European hedgehog, was a most intelligent and sensible animal and therefore decided that if the sun did appear on February 2nd, so wise an animal as the groundhog would see its shadow and hurry back into its underground home for another six weeks of winter.

The Germans recited:

For as the sun shines on Candlemas Day, So far will the snow swirl until the May.

This passage may be the one most closely represented by the first Punxsutawney Groundhog Day observances because there were references to the length of shadows in early Groundhog Day predictions. Another February 2nd belief, used by American 19th century farmers.

Groundhog Day - Half your hay.

New England farmers knew that we were not close to the end of win-ter, no matter how cloudy February 2nd was. Indeed, February 2nd is often the heart of winter. If the farmer didn't have half his hay remaining, there may have been lean times for the cows before spring and fresh grass arrived.

The ancient Candlemas legend and similar belief continue to be recognized annually on February 2nd due to the efforts of the Punxsutawney Groundhog Club.

From offering support of political events, to rooting for area sports teams, to becoming the star of a Hollywood movie, Punxsutawney Phil has increasingly been in the public eye.

Early observances of Phil's predictions were conducted privately in the wooded areas that neighbor the town. Today's celebration sees tens of thousands of visitors from all over the world as revelers await Phil's appearance as most fans wait to see their favorite rock stars

The Punxsutawney Spirit newspaper is credited with printing the news of the first observance in 1886 (one year before the first legendary trek to Gobbler's Knob):

"Today is groundhog day, and up to the time of going to press the beast has not seen his shadow.

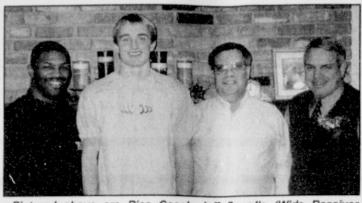
May God bless and keep you; May He make his face to shine upon you, and be gracious to you; May the Lord lift up his countenance upon you, and give you peace.

Numbers 6:24-26

Catherine:)



# Brock To Sign Letter Of Intent With Rice



Pictured above are Rice Coach Jeff Sowells (Wide Receiver Coach), John Brock, Spearman High School Coach Ric Smith and Rice Head Coach Ken Hatfield.

Spearman High School senior John Brock will sign a letter of intent with the Rice Owls on Wednesday, February 6th at 10 a.m. in the Spearman High School Library

"They (Rice coaches) asked for a film last year, and I've been in contact with them since last spring," John was quoted as saying. "On my official visit I fell in love with it from the first. I like the coaching staff. It's a program on the rise. It's a great opportunity to play.

A handful of colleges expressed an interest in the 6'3" 185-pound tailback and cornerback, but it was

pretty much Rice from the start. Rice coaches reportedly plan to play Brock as a receiver. He was second among Spearman receivers this past season with 10 catches for 202 yards and two touchdowns. At tailback and cornerback, he rushed for 1,779 yards, scored 30 touchdowns, intercepted three passes and made 47 tackles.

"I'm thrilled to be playing receiver," John told local scribes. "I loved playing tailback, but I've wanted to play receiver since I was little. It's a chance to get open and make plays, and I love that.

Rice's base offense is the wish-

bone, and the Owls, 8-4 this past season in the Western Athletic Conference, were among the NCAA's leading rushing teams at 281 yards per game this past season. But the Owls also passed for 122 yards per game and had two receivers with more than 20 catch-

"He'll do great at receiver," Spearman coach Ric Smith said of Brock. "He's got good hands and quick feet. He was one of our leading receivers. I think Rice was looking at his speed and body

Brock plans in majoring premed. "It'll be tough," he stated, " but Rice is the total package. It's a great educational opportunity. If you graduate from there, you'll have a great opportunity to do

John is the son of Kim and Stephanie Brock of Spearman.

You are invited to the

# Football Signing Party

honoring John Brock

who will sign a Letter of Intent with Rice University on Wednesday, February 6th at 10 a.m. in the Spearman High School Library

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VIRGINIA LEE HEAD



SPEARMAN - Virginia Lee Head, 80, died Friday, January 25, 2002, in Amarillo. Services were at 2:30 p.m. Sunday, January 27, 2002 in First United Methodist Church with the Rev. Todd Dyess and the Rev. Ken Cole officiating. Burial was in Hansford Cemetery by Boxwell Brothers Funeral Home.

Mrs. Head was born in Gray County, TX on January 20, 1922. She married Garland M. Head on May 29, 1949.

She was a member of the First United Church of Spearman and was in charge of the Methodist Ground Hog Dinner for many years. She was an avid Texas Tech Red Raider fan. She taught Sunday school to 2 and 3-year-olds for more than

She was a member of Hansford Hospital Auxiliary, United Methodist

Women, Sheppard Sunday school class and Gladiola Flower Club. She loved to play bridge and 42.

She was preceded in death by her husband on March 13, 1991; her mother, Aleta White; her father, Kiff White; her stepmother, Aliene White; two sisters; and a brother.

Survivors include a daughter, Delinda McLaughlin of Spearman; a son, Ron Head of Carlsbad, N.M.; two sisters, Elizabeth Carr of Pampa and Frankie Sloan of Breckenridge; two brothers, Kiff E. White of Borger and Tommie White of Greenville; five grandchildren; and one great-

The family suggests memorials be to Hansford Hospital Auxiliary, 707 S. Roland, Spearman, TX 79081; First United Methodist Church, 407 S. Haney, Spearman, TX 79081; Stationmaster's House Museum; or a

# SADIE LUCILLE VANLANDINGHAM AMARILLO - Sadie L



Vanlandingham, 76, died Monday, January 21, 2002 in Amarillo.

Services were held on Friday, January 25, 2002 at 10:00 a.m. in the San Jacinto Assembly of God Church in Amarillo with Pastors Melvin Suttle, Jimmy Beggs and Billy Nickell officiating. Burial was in Memorial Park Cemetery in Amarillo. Sadie married J.C. Vanlandingham on July

25, 1942 in Mangum, OK. They moved to Amarillo in 1972 from Sunray. She was a member of the San Jacinto Assembly of God Church. She was lovingly called "Granny" by many children.

Survivors include a daughter, Linda Ray of Amarillo; a son, Jimmy Vanlandingham of Spearman; two grandchildren and five great-grand-

She was preceded in death by her husband, J.C., in May of 2001. The family requests memorials be made to Crown of Texas Hospice. 1000 S. Jefferson, Amarillo, TX 79101.

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MABLE SCHELLER WISIAN

AMARILLO - Mable Scheller Wisian, 69, of Amarillo died Thursday,

Private family burial was at 11 a.m. Saturday, January 26, 2002 in Hansford Cemetery with Elroy Wisian Jr. officiating. Arrangements were by Boxwell Brothers Funeral Home in Spearman.

Mrs. Wisian was born in Montague County, TX on November 15, 1939. She married Elroy Wisian Sr. on December 16, 1950 in Earth, TX. She was an insurance agent

She was preceded in death by her husband in 1989.

Survivors include two sons, Elroy Wisian Jr. of Alto, N.M., and David Wisian of St. Jo; two daughters, Vicki Crossland of Tulsa, Okla., and Gena Wisian of Amarillo; three sisters, Rosedale Taylor of Earth, Virginia Taylor of Dimmitt, and Elaine Wright of Wichita Falls; two brothers, Charles Scheller of Houston and Melvin Scheller of Berryville, Ark.; two granddaughters, Carla Wisian of Woodlands and Leah Crossland of Amarillo; two grandsons, Joel Wisian of Fort Worth and Daniel Wisian of Pottsboro; and a great-granddaughter, Savannah Crossland of Tulsa.

The family requests memorials be to Jun Werner Day Care, 3108 S. Fillmore, Amarillo, TX 79110.

## HANSFORD HAPPENINGS

Wes Maupin Memorial Scholarship

The Gruver Lions Club has established a Wes Maupin Memorial Scholarship Fund. If you would like to make a donation, please send a check (payable to Gruver Lions Club, Wes Maupin Scholarship) to: Gruver State Bank, % Kyle Irwin, PO Box 978, Gruver, TX 79040

AARP Offers Free Tax Help

AARP Tax-Aide is in Spearman at the Hansford County Library, 122 Main Street, every Tuesday from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. AARP Tax-Aide is a free, quality and confidential service that prepares tax returns and answers tax questions from February 5th through April 9th. Services are available to all taxpayers with middle- to low-income, with special attention to those age 60 and older. It is administered through the AARP Foundation, in cooperation with the IRS. For more information, please call Richard Gaines at 659-

Hansford County Livestock Show
The Hansford County Livestock Show will be held on February
8th and 9th in the Gruver County Barn.

**Project Graduation** 

The parents of the Senior Class of 2002 will sponsor and host a 'Project Graduation Party" following commencement exercises on Friday, May 24th. To encourage the graduates to stay the entire night, door prizes are awarded throughout the evening. In addition graduates can earn paper monies through their participation in various games so that prizes can be purchased. The graduation party will culminate with the distribution of grand prizes.

Prizes, gift certificates, and cash are needed for the evening's gifts. f you, the community, who supported and encouraged these seniors these past 13 years of school, would be willing to share in this final "Class of 2002" memory, making this project "special," please call Steve or Sheri Benton at 659-3568, 659-2231 or 659-3743; or Teresa Maestas at 659-5544. Thank you, in advance, for your support!

Rotary Club Accepting "Employee of the Year" Nominations

The Spearman Rotary Club is currently accepting nominations for "Employee of the Year". This award will be presented at the Chamber of Commerce Banquet on February 23rd. Nominations should be submitted in writing to any Rotary Club member on or before February 4, 2002

Chamber Accepting Business & Citizen of the Year Nominations The Spearman Chamber of Commerce is now accepting nominations for Business of the Year and Citizen of the Year. Nominations must be submitted to the Chamber office by 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, February 12, 2002. The awards will be awarded at the Annual Chamber of Commerce Banquet, which will be held on Saturday, February 23, 2002 at the O'Loughlin Center. Contact Gina Gillispie at the Chamber office, 659-5555, for more information.

Walk For Kids' Sake

The Walk for Kids' Sake benefiting the local Big Brothers Big Sisters program will be held Saturday, February 16th at the Ochiltree County Expo Center. Teams of three to six members raise pledges, with each member raising at least \$50. Teams will have their choice of four shifts, each with a theme as well as music and activities appropriate to the theme: the 9:00 Mayfield Real Estate Family Walk (strollers and little tykes welcome), the 10:00 PTSI Fish Walk (featuring Christian music), the 11:00 Convenience, Inc. Party Walk (music from the 50's, 60's and 70's) and the Jet Well Service Party Walk (cool party tunes) at noon. Each walker receives a t-shirt and is eligible for door prizes during each shift. Food and drinks will be provided throughout the day. Business sponsorships also raise money in the event. Shift sponsorships are available for \$350 and mile markers for \$100. For more information about the event, call 434-0016 or 1-800-687-8282. Advisory committee members are Tony Brown, Terry Danley, Janice Dear, Wendell Freeman, Janet McLain, Ken Splawn, Kim Thomas, Brian Torres, Debbie Townsend and Roger Wright in Perryton, Toni Good and Jim O'Banion in Booker and Don Townsen and Marsha Neely in Spearman.

Class of '77 Meeting

The Class of '77 will have an organizational meeting on February 18th at 7 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chamber. For more information, call Stephanie Crossland at 659-2538, Kevin Bynum at 3776, or Karen Goodman at 659-2524.

St. Patrick's Day Lad 'n Lassie Pageant

The 11th annual St. Patrick's Lad 'n Lassie Pageant will be held March 17, 2002, at the Shamrock High School Auditorium in conjunction with the 56th annual St. Patrick's Day Celebration. Any child between the ages of birth to 8th grade are eligible to partic ipate. This year, the Association has added a pre-teen pageant The pageant will begin at 1:30 p.m. Everyone is encouraged to attend. For more information, contact Betty Lee at 256-5337 or Lynette Kid at 256-3044. The event is proudly sponsored by Shamrock McDonald's. Entry fee is \$10 with a deadline of February 28, 2002

SISD Gifted/Talented Nominations Accepted

We are now accepting nominations for the Gifted/Talented program. Students in Kindergarten through 12th grade may be nominated. This gifted educational program is designed to challenge students with above average potential in academic and creativeproductive thinking skills to accelerate above and beyond the regular school curriculum. Anyone wishing to nominate a student believed to be an intellectually or creatively gifted learner is encouraged to come by the principal's office on your child's campus and complete the nomination form. Nominated students will go through a screening process to determine eligibility. If you have any questions or need further information, please contact the Counselor's Office at 659-2565.

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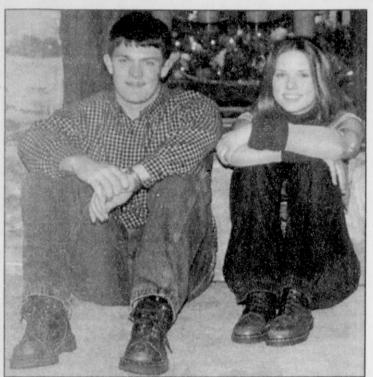
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Marty Miesner and Erin Boxwell

#### SHS December Students of the Month Erin Boxwell and Marty Miesner were named Spearman High School'

December Student of the Month

Erin has competed in the UIL One-Act Play for three years and earned the Best Actress award at district and made the Honorable Mention All Star Cast in area her sophomore year. In her junior year she was named Best Actress in zone competition and Honorable Mention All Star Cast at district. She has been chosen for the class award for Theater I, II and III. A member of the National Honor Society since her sophomore year, she now serves as secretary. She advanced to region in UIL Spelling her junior year and was a member of the student council her freshman and

Boxwell also babysits for the nursery of the First Christian Church and works as a waitress at the Panhandle Diner and Deli.

Her future plans include going to college where she will study studio art and creative writing. Following college graduation, she plans to study fashion design in graduate school. She is the daughter of Candy and Bob

Marty is a member of the National Honor Society, has been listed on the All A Honor Roll, and has twice been selected academic all-district

Serving as a captain of the Spearman Lynx football team, he was cho-sen second team all-district defensive end his junior year, and first team all-district defensive end and second team offensive guard his senior year. He was recently named honorable mention to the 2-A academic all

The son of Jed and Lesa Miesner, Marty plans to attend college and major in either petroleum engineering or wildlife management. Following graduation, he plans to take over his dad's oil and gas business with his number one goal to be a part of the Rotary Club.

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Something to Toot About.

Three Gruver Junior High Band members were recognized at the recent all region band concert held on the campus of West Texas A&M University. Stephen Salazar, baritone; Brad Clawson, drums; and Kade Shoulders, tuba, were cited for their selection to the all region band for three consecutive years

#### **Hansford Hospice Meets**

The Hansford Hospice Volunteers met on Monday night, January 14, 2002, at First State Bank Community Room, Spearman, Texas. Verna Lee Shirley, President, presided at the meeting.

The minutes were read and approved. Verna Lee Shirley gave the treasurer's report in the absence of the treasurer.

Verna Lee Shirley attended the Hospital Board Meeting in December.

Verna Lee Shirley attended the Hospital Board Meeting in December. She reported that the Hospital consented to Hospice decorating an extra room at the Hospital so when there are two Hospice patients at the Hospital there will be two Hospice rooms. The extra room will be used by the hospital when needed. The committee to decorate the room is Verna Lee, Peggy, Doyle and June.

Verna Lee Shirley discussed goals for Hospice for the coming year and asked for suggestions. The Garage Sale was temporarily, set for May 3 and 4. A sign-up sheet to serve on Committees for the coming year was passed around to the members. It was reported that the Hospice State Conference would be in Houston on April 6 and 7. The Bereavement Support Group that will be held this spring was discussed. Rosetta Support Group that will be held this spring was discussed. Rosetta Barrera gave an explanation of the volunteer's report of hours form. The February 11th meeting will be at Gruver, at the El Vacquero, at 6:30.

Members were asked to bring recipes next time. Rev. Ken Cole led the

closing prayer. The meeting was adjourned.

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# Marriage Announcement

Marva Winger Burnam of Gruver and Danny Roselius of Panhandle were married Thursday, January 10, 2002 at Amarillo South in Amarillo

Bob Setliff, minister, officiated the simple ceremony.

Marva is the daughter of Val and Marlene Winger of Gruver. She is the granddaughter of Pauline Winger of Spearman.

Danny is the son of Dale and Peggy Roselius of Panhandle. He is the grandson of Ida Roselius of Panhandle.

grandson of Ida Roselius of Panhandle Attendants were Valerie, Mollie and Landrie Burnam, daughters of the

bride, and Ashley Roselius, daughter of the groom. After the wedding, the couple left for a hor symoon trip to Dallas.

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# Among The Neighbors

A shock to family and friends alike was the unexpected death of Blanche Green, 80, last Sunday.

Her services were held in the United Methodist Church here, with interment at Hansford Cemetery. She was laid to rest beside her husband, Everette E. Green, who preceded her in death

Gentle, kind and helpful, Blanche will be sorely missed by her family, friends and associates.

Sympathy is extended to daughters and families of Joan Vernon, Oklahoma City and Wanda Eakin, Amarillo, as well as sister Rita Cluck, Gruver.

The passing of Virginia Head, 80, on Friday, January 25th, leaves a vacant chair; not only with her family, but in several organiza-

The ever active and capable Virginia was the main spring of many church, civic, and charitable organizations. Members had for years taken for granted that the needed tasks and supervision would be handled by Virginia.

All those who knew her from her devotion to her duties could be surprised by her intense interest in sports - especially the Texas Tech Red Raiders. Her husband, the late coach Garland Head, was a wellknown athletic star when he was a student at Texas Tech, and is in the College's Hall of Fame. Virginia had been presented with a lifelong pass to the games.

Words seem empty in expressing condolences to family members, but her influence will go with them through life.

The Sunday Amarillo Globe-News carried an item and picture of Kevin Nelson, a partner with the law firm of Mullin Board and Brown. He was elected to the firm's partnership management committee. Kevin practices in the area of business transactions and real estate. The firm has 32 lawyers practicing in Amarillo, Lubbock and Dimmitt.

He and his wife, Ginger, visited in the home of his parents, Judy and Dennis Nelson, during the

weekend. They came for the funeral of Virginia Head.

They picked up their daughter, Madelyn, who spent the weekend with her other grandparents, Bob and Jackie Pearson.

Connie and Scott Ermis spent last weekend in Edmond, OK visiting his parents and his daughter.

Sybil and Billy Miller flew to Dallas on Tuesday for her to consult an eye specialist. Recently Sybil's eyesight has deteriorated

All her friends are concerned and hope that the condition can be improved.

An accident Friday evening resulted in minor injuries to the driver and total ruin to the pickup. The driver was taken to Hansford Hospital, treated and released.

The accident occurred when he failed to control the vehicle at Haney and Kenneth streets.

Hansford County Sheriff's Department and Spearman Police Department worked the accident.

Dallen Scroggs, local manager of the West Texas Gas Company, attended a school of instruction from Monday through Wednesday. It was held at Oklahoma University in Norman, OK. The course dealt with catharsis corrosion production.

Ruth Bublis sent a note expressing how much they enjoy keeping with the happenings in Hansford County through the newspaper

She stated that Dr. Bublis' practice in Hobbs, NM is staying very busy. She also mentioned that she is now working in the office as co-

She concluded her note with best wishes for everyone in Hansford

Weather for the week of January 21st through 7 a.m. on the 28th is as follows: High temperature was on the 26th at 78; Low was on the

25th at 21; no moisture.



Debbie Stopper, Leann Gillaspie and Marcia Shieldknight with Enhanced Health and Sports Performance Institute are pictured with Bob Henry, CEO of Mannatech, Inc. as they were recognized recently as Seven Star Presidential, one of the top leadership positions in



Several members of Enhanced Health's team accompanied Marcia Shieldknight, Debbie Stopper, and Leann Gillaspie to Mannatech's home office in Coppell to share in the recognition. Pictured standing are George and Clarabelle Palmer of Perryton, Leann, Donna Williams of Gruver, Debbie, Bob Henry from Mannatech Inc., Karena Newton, Jason Walker, and Paula Walker of San Angelo. Seated are Stacey French of Perryton, Becca Christian of Gruver, and Marcia.

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### by Dorothy Hudson Out At The Lake

Lake Depth-January 28, 2002-34.91 feet

Boats were out last Saturday, and we had one camper behind the dam. The fishermen are still not finding the fish.

Jim counted six eagles scattered around in the trees in the Lake this morning. On a walk Saturday he saw a sun-drenched bright red cardinal in a cedar tree that made a memorable sight.

When I read about the Jones children trapping hill rats, I became curious as to the nature of these rats. I called Joel Lee Lackey and found it was their name for pack rats. Having become mixed up on the difference between pack rats and kangaroo rats, I was helped to clear the differences by Joel Lee, the World Book, The Mammals of Texas, and the Harris family on the Palo The pack rat belongs to the

woodrat family that are native to America. The woodrat has cleaner habits than the brown and black Norway rats that were brought into this country by boats from Europe. It will not live in sewers or garbage dumps. As there are several kinds of woodrats, ours is known as the white-throated woodrai. They are cute in a way

eyes. The pack rat builds a house to surround its nest. If the nest is in a canyon, it will be in a hole with trash piled around it. Sometimes out in a pasture, a house may be found that is cone shaped and two feet high. They pack their building material from whatever is near. In Hansford County that may mean they use a good bit of prickly pear cactus and cow manure. If they reside near a home, all sorts of little goodies are found.

When I was a child, I was told that when a pack rat took some object, he always left another. This earned them the names of Trader Rats.

It turns out that the rat may be carrying an object in its mouth to use in the house building, when it spots something it decides is more desirable. The rodent just abandons the first object so he can carry the second one home. The worst enemy for these rats is snakes.

Kangaroo rats, as the name implies, have strong back legs and much smaller front legs. They are much smaller than the pack rats, and they don't build the trash houses. They are a little cuter than the white-throated woodrats.

## Thank You

We would like to say thank you to everyone for the many kind deeds done for us during the death of our beloved sister, Betty Tucker Resech. Thank you for the flowers, food and prayers and other acts of kindness. Thank you to the Church of Christ members who sponsored the dinner for us at the Palo Duro Cafe, and to Georgie McLeod and all the girls who made sure that we were well taken care of.

Also, thank you to Floyd Dry for your help. At a time like this, word' cannot express what is in our hearts. We do want to say thank you to

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# The Gruver Grapevine

#### GJH to Host Tourney

The Gruver Junior High Basketball Tournament will begin Thursday, January 31, with games scheduled through Saturday, February 2.

Gruver seventh and eighth grade boys and girls teams will compete in the annual event. Sanford Fritch, Perryton, Sunray, and Spearman will also be in the tour-

#### Ladies Lead, Hounds in Second in District Play

The GHS Lady Hounds lead District 1-1A with a perfect 3-0 record after the first go round of district play while the Hounds with a 2-1 record are in second

Both teams picked up wins last week in play with Booker and Boys Ranch.

Lady Hounds Bop Booker Establishing a lead in the first quarter, the Lady Hounds broadened their margin in each period of play to take a 57-39 win from the Booker Lady Kiowas.

Brandi Griffin sizzled with 21 points, including a trio of threes in the first stanza.and another in the second quarter.

Laina Grotegut had a good showing with eight points, including one three pointer. Shooting 75% from the free throw line, the Lady Hounds closest challenge came in the second quarter when Booker drew within seven points. Seven Lady Hounds figured in

the scoring. Lady Hounds Pitch Lady

Riders The margin of victory was the only factor in doubt in the Lady Hounds 77-39 victory over the

Boys Ranch Lady Riders. Five Lady Hounds, Brandi Griffin, Laina Grotegut, Kaylee Holt, Lisa Johnson, and Teal Armes all scored in double figures to pace the victory cruise.

Shooting three pointers were Holt 1, Griffin 3, and Grotegut 1.

#### Hounds Scalp Kiowas

After a close first-half battle, the Hounds upped their level of play each successive period to seal a 60 50 win over the Booker Kiowas. Nine players scored to aid in the victory with Chad Howe tallying 16, and Kade Carthel net-

Leading by three, 26-23, at the half, the Hounds led 41-35 at the end of the third quarter. Ahead by as much as 11 in mid-fourth quarter, the Hounds saw the Kiowas came back to narrow the margin to 5 at 3:09. The determined Hounds then shifted in high and led by 13 until the final buzzer when Booker sank a three-pointer.

Howe partied at the three- point line, making the first 10 of his

The win was not without its losses, as senior Gabriel Lopez suffered torn ankle ligaments which will incapacitated him for six weeks. Hound Wade Stewart also remains on the injured list.

Hounds Rough Up Riders It was not a game for the faint of heart as the Hounds took it to the wire for a 43-39 win over the Boys

After a slow start by both teams, the Hounds trailed 8-9 at the end of the first quarter. Making up ground in the second period, the Hounds took the lead for the first time at 5:46, only to see it vanish at the end of the stanza, 20-25.

Falling to seven behind in the third quarter, the never-die Hounds came back and tied the game at 29 at the 3;13 mark with a three-pointer by Carlos Borunda.

The sizzling fourth quarter saw the Riders take a one-point lead only to be squelched again when Chad Howe answered with a

The Hounds were leading by one point with 36 seconds remaining, when Cody Mac Been sank a single basket on a Rider foul call with Borunda stepping in to take the

rebound on Been's second shot. Seconds later, a foul called on a shot attempt by Chad Howe netted one point to make it a 42-39, Hound lead with six seconds remaining.

When a walking call on the Riders gave the Hounds the ball, the Riders fouled for ball control. Howe picked up one more free shot to end the scoring

Howe had a big night. putting in 19 points, including four threepointers while Cody Mac Been poured in 13 points.

#### Former Resident update

Lindy Tolleson Lytton has been named to the Deans List at South

Plains College in Levelland. Students making the honor list must post a 3.5 GPA while taking

12 or more hours. Lindy is the daughter of Bob and

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Carol Tolleson.

Tomara Moore is currently teaching autistic children in the Cypress Fairbanks School District in Houston. Moore is a 1997 graduate of Gruver High School and a graduate of San Angelo State University. She is the daughter of Tish and Jerry Moore.

#### Get Well Wishes Jolene Thompson is now closer

to home and is in rehabilitation in

Vivian Green has returned to Hansford Manor following a recent amputation.

B.J. Renner's sister, Beryl, is in intensive care in Amarillo with an Skeet Ellison's address in

Dalhart where she is recuperating is: Skeet Ellison, c/o Jolinda Wilson, 12338 US Hwy 87 North, Dalhart, Texas 79022. Memory Mates Pictures Slated

Gruver Elementary students are scheduled for Memory Mate (class picture and individual student picture in mat) February 7.

#### Junior High Students

Participate in Duke Program Four Gruver seventh grade students will be taking the ACT assessment normally taken by college bound junior and senior students on February 9. Rebecca Abernathy, Drew Grotegut, Conrad Curry, and Justin Thompson are eligible for the testing due to their exceptional scores on school achievement measures. Sponsored by the Duke University Talent Identification Program, the participants will receive certificates of Merit and will be eligible for state-wide recognition or a variety of educational programs should they receive exceptional scores on the ACT test.

#### Condolences Expressed

The sympathy of the community is extended to Hugh Bell in the loss of his brother Billie of Weatherford, Texas. Services for Bell were on Wednesday, January

# **Hansford County Holds Practice** Stock Shows In Spearman, Gruver

#### Spearman

The 2002 Spearman Practice Livestock Show was held in the Spearman County Barn on Sunday, January 20, 2002. The show was judged by David Bray of Allison,

Travis Brown was honored with the Grand Champion Steer, and his brother, Tracy Brown, received Reserve Grand Champion. Tracy also received the Sr. Showmanship award for Steers. Jr. Showmanship was won by Rhett Renner.

Class 1: Tracy Brown - 1st, Rhett Renner - 2nd, Rhett Renner - 3rd Class 2: Tracy Brown - 1st, Rhett Renner - 2nd, Zack Murray - 3rd Class 3: Travis Brown - 1st, Tracy Brown - 2nd

#### Lamb Tabatha Shields received the Grand Champion Lamb, and Reserve Grand Champion Lamb was Eric Flores. Tara Shields was the Jr. Showmanship winner and Dustin Mackie received the Sr.

Showmanship award. Class 1: Tabatha Shields - 1st, Amanda Pearson - 2nd, Adam Ferguson - 3rd, Joey Pearson - 4th, Lauren Ferguson - 5th

Class 2: Tabatha Shields - 1st, Tara Shields -2nd, Noemi Rodriquez - 3rd, Matthew Jarvis -4th, Justin Parker - 5th

Class 3: Eric Flores - 1st, Tara Shields - 2nd, Dustin Mackie - 3rd, Christen Ferguson - 4th, Joey Pearson - 5th, Richard Jarvis - 6th

#### Swine

Preslee Baker was named Grand Champion Swine, Lauren Patterson was named Reserve Grand Champion. Blayne Baker received the Jr. Showmanship award, and the Sr. Showmanship award was presented to Coy Herrington.

Duroc Class 1: Casey Cator (Breed Champion) - 1st, Austin Benton (Reserve Breed Mabry Champion) 2nd. Sutterfield - 3rd

Yorkshire Class 2: Cody Benton (Breed Champion) 1st, Coy Herrington (Reserve Breed Herrington Champion) - 2nd, Tate Batton 3rd, Amanda Pearson - 4th

Hampshire Class 3: Blayne Baker (Breed Champion) -Tyann Hight (Reserve Breed Champion) - 2nd, Zane Patterson

1st, Dakota Cator - 2nd Spots, Class 5: Blayne Baker (Breed Champion) - 1st, Preslee Baker (Reserve Breed Champion)

Cross Class 6: Joey Pearson - 1st, Trent Goodheart - 2nd, Lexi Batton - 3rd, Amanda Pearson

Cross Class 7: Preslee Baker (Breed Champion) - 1st, Lauren (Reserve Breed Patterson Champion) - 2nd, Andi Lynn Scarborough - 3rd, Kyler Cator -

Cross Class 8: Blayne Baker 1st, Colton Miller - 2nd, Trace Patterson - 3rd, Sawyer Sutterfield 4th, Andi Lynn Scarborough - 5th

#### Gruver

Good weather and stiff competition highlighted the 2002 Gruver Practice Livestock Show on Saturday, January 26th.

Britt Morris exhibited the Grand Champion Lamb while Brittany Montgomery's entry took Reserve

In the steer show, Bailey Reid's light weight entry was named Grand Champion while Lance Williams' light weight steer was

chosen Reserve Champion. Lindy Weldon's Yorkshire gilt was selected Grand Champion in the Swine Division with Colt Cluck's Hampshire gilt named

Reserved Champion. Winning senior showmanship awards were Britt Morris in the lamb division, Nick Slough in the steer division, and Lance Williams

in the swine division. Junior showmanship winners were Rachelle Holt in lambs, Charlie Slough in steers, and Tucker Williams in swine.

Swine breed winners were Duroc Breed Champ Britt Morris, Reserve Duroc Champ - Melissa Montgomery, Hampshire Breed Champ - Colt Cluck, Reserve Tucker Hampshire Champ Williams, Cross Breed Champ Kade Carthel, Reserve Cross Lance Williams, Yorkshire Breed Champ - Lindy Weldon, and Reserve Yorkshire Breed Champ - Kade Carthel.

Lamb Class 1 Lamb - Britt Morris -1st, Evan Schmidt - 2nd, Melissa

Hampshire Class 4: Cody Benton Montgomery -3rd, Lanie Graves 4th, and Megan Stedje - 5th.

Class 2 - Brittany Montgomery 1st, Britt Morris - 2nd, Brienna Jordan - 3rd, Cory Graves- 4th, and Rachelle Holt -5th.

Class 3 Lambs-Montgomery -1st, Bailey Reid -2nd, Kellyn King -3rd, Mackenzie Crane -4th, and Seth Thompson -

Light Weight Class - Bailey Reid -1st, Lance Williams -2nd, Brenna Reid -3rd, and Nick Slough -4th. Heavy Weight Class - Charlie Slough -1st, Taylor Williams -2nd,

#### and Britt Morris -3rd. Swine

Duroc Class 1 Clayton Thompson -1st, Lanie Graves 2nd, and Aaron Mendoza -3rd.

Duroc Class 2 - Jessica Montgomery -1st, Brenna Reid 2nd, Sydney Been -3rd, and Anna Millian - 4th.

Duroc Class 3 - Britt Morris - 1st, Melissa Montgomery -2nd, and Bailey Reid -3rd.

Hampshire Class 4 - Colt Cluck -1st, Reagan Karlin -2nd, Brittany Montgomery -3rd, and Justin Bass

Hampshire Class 1 - Tucker Williams -1st, Taylor Williams 2nd, Lance Williams - 3rd, and Kade Carthel - 4th.

Hampshire Class 6 - Hudson Williams -1st, Taylor Williams -2nd, Lance Williams -3rd, and Kade Carthel - 4th.

Cross Class 7- Jack Karlin - 1st, Clayton Thompson - 2nd, Greyson - 3rd, and Jessica Karlin Montgomery -4th.

Cross Class 8 - Lance Williams -1st, Tanner Irwin -2nd, Evan Schmidt - 3rd, Justin Thompson -4th, and Justin Thompson - 5th.

Cross Class 9 - Kade Carthel 1st, Lanie Graves -2nd, and Kade

Cross Class 10 - Travis Stedje 1st, Meagan Stedje -2nd, and Evan Schmidt -4th.

Yorkshire Class 11 - Seth Thompson -1st, Bock Irwin -2nd, Cory Graves - 3rd, Bock Irwin

Yorkshire Class 12 - Lindy Weldon - 1st, Brenna Reid -2nd, Evan Schmidt -3rd,

Yorkshire Class 13 - Kade Carthel -1st, Cody Mac Been -2nd, and Bailey Reid -3rd.

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The Adventures of Bob

In Need Of A Break Bob spent last week relaxing at Dreamers Salon. He began the week by being fitted with a toupee. As it turns out the hair on the head idea was a good one since this cold whether has moved in. The toupee has highlights of auburn color (which really draws attention to Charming Bob's eyes!) to create depth. It was then cut and textured - making it an easy wash and go style. Wash And Go Bob really likes the more voluminous look the cut gives his new found hair. Missy and the girls gave Pampered Bob the full treatment. He received a manicure, pedicure, facial, and a perm. Over Indulging Bob said he would even be game for a waxing but - he has no body hair. Stay In Shape Bob spent some quality time on the passive exercise machine to tone-up for his Valentine, Martha the Mannequin. Tall, Light and Handsome Bob tried to put a little color into his life by spending time on the tanning bed. Now Relaxed Bob saved the best for last

- a full body massage. Grateful Bob worked at repaying the great gals at

Dreamer's by dusting and rearranging the one-of-a-kind pieces of painted furniture they have in stock. New Man Bob had such a wonderful and relaxing time he advises everyone in Spearman to spend a week at Dreamer's and get the full treatment.

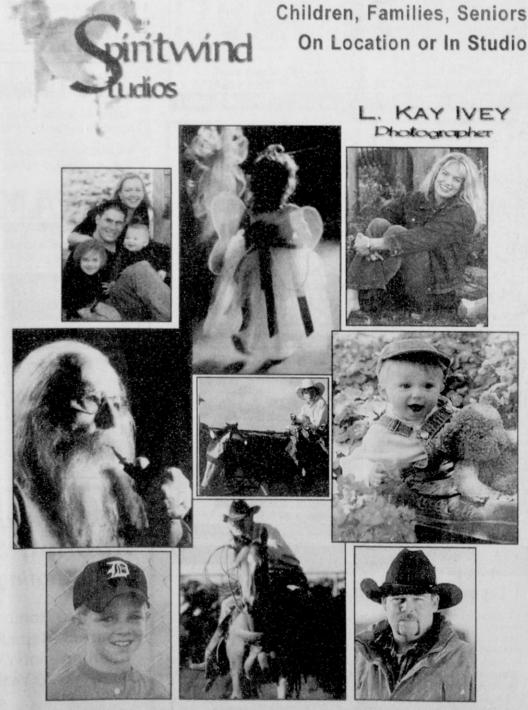
How much do I love thee?

Let me count the ways

Can we be together in not too many days? I guess what I am trying to say

With a mumble and a slur Is, Martha, will you come with me to the din-





Call 659-2204 for appointment.

# CLASSIFIED AD

REAL ESTATE FOR SALE

FOR SALE: 1120 Linn - 3BR, 3B. 2 car attached garage, attached 3rd garage w/workshop, 3 skylights, 4 sky tubes, covered patio, game room - over 2400 sq. ft. living space. Call 659-3426, or 659-3830 after 6 p.m.

FOR SALE BY OWNER: 735 Cotter Dr. - Large corner lot w/3BR, 2B home w/dust-stopper windows, new central heat/air, new 50-gallon water heater, new roof and outside paint. Call (806) 659-

HOUSE FOR SALE - GRUVER: Chase Street. Full basement. 733-2765.

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two lots. Office in front, full bath, high-clearance back door, electric lift to second floor. Well insulated. \$45,000 OBO. Call Doris at 1-954-8060 or Tony at 659-3345. TFN(6-28-01)B FOR SALE: 2 adjoining lots. Each 50'x150'; near town; one lot has all plumbing and utilities for mobile home & has 26x33 shop-type building at rear. South lot vacant. Call 659-3867. 4(1-17-02)P

4(1-17-02)P
FOR SALE: 1996 Fleetwood Mobile Home, 16x80 ft. long, 3BR, 2B, large kitchen, lots of cabinet space, all electric, stove, fridge, central heat/air, new roof & 40 gal. water heater. Asking \$33,000. Call (806) 659-2238, leave message to set appointment. set appointment. 3(1-24-02)B

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HELP WANTED

HELP WANTED: Kids' Korner, Inc. is looking for people who enjoy working with children. We have part time and substitute positions available. Must be at least 18 yrs, have a High School Diploma or GED equivalent. CPR and First Aid certified is a plus but not required. Call Sam at 659-3179 for

WANTED: Earn Extra Income \$200-\$500 weekly mailing travel coupons. For more information send a self-addressed tion send a self-addressed stamped envelope to: Trinity Fravel, PO Box 610188, Miami, FL

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HELP WANTED: Housekeeper needed at Nursanickle Motel. Call 659-3737. HELP WANTED: Outreach Health Services needs a provider in Spearman. Call 1-800-800-0697.

WANTED: HELP WANTED: Frontier Feedyard is now taking applications for a shop hand. Job duties will include: preventative maintenance, oil changes, minor repairs, etc. Also run loader, backhoe, etc. Frontier offers competitive pay and a benefits package. Please contact Ben Poer (806) 882-4251 or pick up applications at the yard. pick up applications at the yard.

HELP WANTED: Farmer's Ag Supply is currently seeking applications for employment opportunity. Contact Lonnie at (806) 659-5000. 2(1-24-02)B

#### SERVICES

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I'M MAD... at banks who don't give house loans because of bad credit, problems or new employment I do, call L.D. Kirk, Homeland Mortgages, (254) 947-4475. 1(1-31-02)P

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#### **AUTOMOTIVE**

FOR SALE: 1991 White Cadillac Seville. Call 659-3872. 4(1-10-02)B

FOR SALE: 1997 Suburban LT, 4WD, Electric door, windows & driver seat, CD & cassette, remov-able 3rd row seat, V8 vortec engine, driver & passenger airbags, 100,000 miles. \$13,500. Call 898-4553.

FOR SALE: Great Buy! 1989 one-owner Blazer 4x4, auto transmis-sion, A/C, power windows & locks, aluminum wheels, receiver hitch, 80K miles, good tires. Very clean, excellent condition - \$5,000. Call 659-1085. 2(1-31-02)P

#### FOR SALE

FOR SALE: Sunray Co-op stock/Equity. Call (806) 733-2656. TFN(1-10-02)B FOR SALE: Round Bail Hay - very reasonable! Call 659-3800 or 898-3475 for more information. TFN(11-15-01)B FOR SALE: .22 Rifle, bolt action - \$55, and .22 Rifle, automatic - \$55. Call 659-1717 or 662-9126

after 5 p.m. 1(1-31-01)P

#### WANTED

WANTED: I would like to buy corn on the cob to feed the squirrels. Call 659-2404. 2(1-31-02)NC

#### GARAGE SALE

INSIDE GARAGE SALE: Friday, February 1st, 4 p.m.-?, Saturday, February 2nd, 8 a.m.-? 517 Roland in Spearman. 1(1-31-02)B

#### LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE
STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF HANSFORD
By virtue of a Writ of Execution
issued by the Clerk of the 320th
Judicial District Court, Potter
County, Texas, in Cause No.
84,632-D, styled "Addison Bobbitt
vs. James Dwight Bobbitt" on
January 2, 2002 and directed and
delivered to me, I will proceed
under Addison Bobbitt's final
Judgment lien recorded in Volume
269, Page 701 of the Official
Records, Hansford County, Texas,
and partially assigned to Bob
Pearson by instrument dated
November 27, 2001 and recorded
at Volume 287, Page 441 of the
Official Records of Hansford
County, Texas, to sell the following-described property to wit:
All of James Dwight Bobbitt's

ing-described property to wit:
All of James Dwight Bobbitt's right, title and interest in and to the N/2 of Section 90, Block 2, GH&H RR Co. Survey, Hansford County, Texas.

Levied on this 7th day of January, 2002 at 9.40 o'clock a.m. as the property of James Dwight Bobbitt subject to execution and located in Hansford County, Texas. The property will be sold at pub-

lic auction between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., on the 5th day of February, 2002, which is the first Tuesday of said month, at the first Tuesday of said month, at the courthouse door of the Hansford County Courthouse. "Courthouse door" herein is defined as within 30 feet of the front door of the middle floor of the Main Street entrance, in either the interior hallway or on the exterior steps and entrance, of said Hansford County Courthouse in Spearman, Hansford County, Texas.

exas.

Given under my hand the 4th day of January, 2002.
R. L. McFarlin
Hansford County Sheriff
By: Lance A. Swan, Deputy
4(1-10-02)B

#### NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Sealed proposals addressed to Linda Weller, Manager of the City of Gruver, Texas and Robert Patrick, Manager of the City of Spearman, Texas for the sealcoat-

spearman, lexas for the sealcoating of approximately 120 blocks of streets entitled:

SEALCOATING - 2002

will be received at the office of City Manager at City Hall, 108 E. Broadway, St., Gruver, Texas, 79040 until

79040 until
5:00 p.m.
February 13, 2002
A cashier's check, certified check or acceptable bidder's bond, payable to the Owner an amount equal to not less than five percent of the bid submitted, must accompany each bid as guarantee that, if awarded the contract, the Bidder will, within fifteen days after receipt of Contact Documents, enter into a contract with the Owner and will execute bonds on the forms provided in the Contract Documents. Any bid received after the time and date listed above will be returned unopened and will not be returned unopened and will not be considered.

Bidders are expected to inspect the site of the work and inform themselves regarding all local con-

Contract Documents are on file and may be examined in the office of the City Manager, City of Gruver, 106 E. Broadway, Gruver, Texas 79040, phone (806) 733-2424, the office of the City Manager, City of Spearman, 30 SW Court, Spearman, Texas 79081, phone (806) 759-2524, and the offices of Brandt Engineers, Consulting Engineers, 4537, Canyon Drive, Amarillo, Texas 79110, telephone (806) 353-7233. Plans and Specifications may be obtained from the Engineers, Brandt Engineers, 4537 Canyon Drive, Amarillo, Texas 79110, phone (806) 353-7233 in the following manner. Contract Documents are on file

phone (806) 353-7233 in the fol-lowing manner.
Cost: Fifty Dollars (\$50.00), non-refundable, for each set of plans and specifications.
Performance and Payment bonds shall be set forth in the Contract documents.
The Owner reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to waive

reject any or all bids and to waive

any informalities inn the bidding. In case of ambiguity or lack of clearness, the Owner reserves the right to adopt such interpretations as may be most advantageous or to reject the bid as informal. No bid may be withdrawn until the expira-tion of 30 days from the bid opening date.

City of Gruver Linda Weller, Manager City of Spearman Robert Patrick, Manager 2(1-24-02)B

APPLICATIONS BEING
ACCEPTED
Pringle-Morse CISD is accepting applications for Elementary Teachers for the 2002-2003 school year. For an application, contact us at (806) 733-2507 or drop by 100 5th Street, Morse, Texas.
Pringle-Morse CISD consider applicants for all positions without regards to race, color, national ori-

applicants for all positions without regards to race, color, national origin, age, religion, sex, marital status, veteran or military status, the presence of a medical condition, disability, or any other legally protected status.

TFN(1-24-02)B

#### LEGAL NOTICE

The Gruver Independent School District will receive bids until 11 District will receive bids until 11 a.m. on February 4, 2002 for a 2002 Suburban or Excursion. Please submit bids to: Gruver ISD. Att: Randy Reid, PO Box 650, Gruver, TX 79040.

The District reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids.

1(1-31-02)B

NOTICE TO ALL PERSONS
HAVING CLAIMS AGAINST THE
ESTATE OF MYRLE MAY HOLT
Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary were
issued on January 21, 2002 on the
Estate of Myrle May Holt,
Deceased No. 2352, pending in
the County Court of Hansford
County, Texas, to Notan C. Holt
who resides in Hansford County, who resides in Hansford County

persons having against said estate now being administered are hereby required to present them within the time and in the manner prescribed by

Attorney: Harold W. Ochsner 410 S. Taylor, Suite 1603 Amarillo, Texas 79101 1(1-31-02)B

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Gruver Property 301 King - 3BR, 2B, 1CG 307 King - 3BR, 1 3/4B 813 Richardson - 2BR, 1B, new paint, carpet

PRICE REDUCED M W of Gruver - 4BR, 2 1/2B. Shop, 3.8 acres 118 N Cooper - 4BR, 3 1/2B, 2CG, 2-Story 120 N Cooper - 4BR, 2 3/4B, 2CG, Deck, Sunroom

Rural Property 12 mi E on 759, Cty Rd 5 - 3B, 170 Acres/House - 3BR, 1B, Barn, Pens

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ADVANCE NOTICE

Reagan & Brown Auctioneers will be holding their

Annual Consignment Auction of Farm & Ranch Equipment

on Tuesday, Wednesday, & Thursday March 5, 6, & 7, 2002

Location: Miller Airport - Dalhart, Texas. Anyone wanting to consign should call Reagan

& Brown no later than February 4, 2002. Office Phone: (806) 244-6776

Office Hours: 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Late evenings or early mornings call

Bob Brown (806) 244-4038 - home or (806) 333-2738 - cell

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# School Boards Honored



Pictured above are the members of the Pringle-Morse CISD Board of Trustees. They are (L-R) Bob Zimmer, Betty Womble, Alan Leach, Jerry Hart, Carolyn Shields, and Lonnie Clemmons. Not pictured is

#### Pringle-Morse CISD Recognizes

**Board of Trustees** by Linda Kay Barnhart, Pringle-Morse CISD Superintendent

Behind every excellent school is an excellent board of trustees. Pringle-Morse Consolidated Independent School District has been rated exemplary by the Texas Education Agency and Five Star by Texas Monthly and Just for the Kids. Success begins in the boardroom as trustees set district goals and policies, budget wisely, and attract and hire outstanding admin-

The Pringle-Morse CISD Board members include President Lonnie Clemmons (1994-present), Vice-President Alan Leach (1886-1995 and 1996-present). Secretary Carolyn Shields (May 1996-present), Monty Dixon (May 1999present), Jerry Hart (May 1997present), Betty Womble (May 1992-present), and Bob Zimmer (May 2000-present)

Collectively our board has over 40 years experience serving the children of Pringle-Morse. These elected officials and others like them across Texas attend at least one school board meeting per month and sometimes several. Often district accomplishments that the Board has made possible go unrecognized; at times memdecisions; and yet board members are not compensated. They go about their school business tirelessly as they pursue a quality education for the students of their dis-

I have worked for Pringle-Morse for seven years and have been blessed with excellent, boards who have striven to be free of hidden gendas and personal interests. Their commitment to excellence

10:30 a.m.-11 p.m.

has been the blueprint for the success of our school. They believe in serving all students. They believe in maintaining a facility that creates an environment for successful learning. They believe in maintaining a quality staff by providing excellent benefits and a warm and caring climate. They believe in protecting and maintaining their small rural community school where individual attention is the rule, not the exception.

I applaud the 2001-2002 Board of Trustees.

#### Above All, Students First

by Laura Blassingame, Gruver Schools Superintendent

A Call to Service. With an elective vote, citizens are transformed into Trustees, having to become instant,immediate experts in dealing with curriculum, school finance, instructional issues, personnel, student learning, state expectations, school law, and general governance. All of which is usually on the first board meeting! Every decision made will affect the lives of this community and the student population. The ripple effect from these decisions will form the foundation for future endeavors and goals. Tremendous pressure is placed into making the correct decisions. In this day and time, there are no clear-cut answers to the situations encountered by school board members.

Each board member brings a unique set of experiences to the board room, which allows for open, honest communication; valuing each other's opinions; and looking at issues from all sides before making informed decisions. Numerous times, when tough decisions are being made, they always take the stand of "How will this affect and/or help the students?" by putting the welfare of all of the students first, their decisions are fair, impartial, and proactive. Knowing that every decision and deed will be analyzed, this can and does cause excessive stress, both personal and professional.

Gruver is indeed fortunate that we have citizens with the courage, wisdom and fortitude recognizable by so many, that the voters place the trust of policy making to this group of seven. By taking the oath to become a Board of Trustee, the choices that they have exhibited in their past, will now become part of the foundation for future choices.

I have been extremely rewarded, both personally and professionally, to have observed many years of school boards in Gruver. Never once, have they deviated from their "Call to Service." They are truly some of the most dedicated, professional, and compassionate people I know. The unifying force is and always will be, the educational achievement and environment for the children.

A great big thank you to the Gruver ISD Board of Trustees for a superior job in leading Gruver Independent School District. Even though January is reserved as Board Appreciation Month, the job they do throughout the year certainly is deserving of our appreciation. Please take the time to say thank you and job well done to the following Trustees: Mr. Terry Sherrill (President), Mr. Mike (Vice-President), Mr. Benny Wilson (Secretary), Mr. David Bergin, Mrs. Jody Irwin, Mr. Paul Stavlo, and Mr. Davin Winger. They have certainly earned it!



Members of the Gruver ISD Board of Trustees were cited for their service by Superintendent Laura Blassingame at their January meeting in conjunction with the observance of National School Board Appreciation Month. Honored were (front row, left to right) Mike Yanke, Terry Sherrill, and Benny Wilson. Back row, Davin Winger, Jody Irwin, Paul Stavlo, and David

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