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Commissioners Court Lifts Burn Ban

submitted by Benny D. Wilson, Hansford County Judge

The Hansford County Commissioners Court in a called meeting voted to lift the burn ban in Hansford County effective July 8, 2008.

Due to recent rain and the end of 4th of July fireworks sales, it was decided by a 5-0 vote to end the burn ban.

With increased fuel prices, and volunteer firemen busy with their jobs, we ask your cooperation to avoid fire runs that are not necessary. Before igniting any fire, please contact the Sheriff's Office at 659-4140 or 733 2901. After your call, the appropriate fire department will be paged to inform the volunteers if they need to respond.

As always, anyone starting a fire will be held liable for any damage to property resulting from your action. Also, be advised that there are certain rules set by the TCEQ (Texas Commission on Environmental Quality) that need to be followed, regardless of Burn Ban Status

Weather Forecast

INDEPENDENCE DAY - Partly cloudy. Highs in the mid 90s. Southeast winds around 10 mph shifting to the southwest in the afternoon.

FRIDAY NIGHT - Partly cloudy. Lows in the upper 60s. South winds 10 to 15 mph.

SATURDAY - Partly cloudy. Highs around 100.

SATURDAY NIGHT - Partly cloudy. Lows in the upper 60s.

SUNDAY - Partly cloudy. Highs around 100.

SUNDAY NIGHT - Partly cloudy. Lows around 70.

MONDAY - Partly cloudy. Highs in the upper 90s.

MONDAY NIGHT - Partly cloudy. Lows in the upper 60s.

TUESDAY - Partly cloudy. Highs in the mid 90s.

TUESDAY NIGHT - Partly cloudy. Lows in the upper 60s.

WEDNESDAY - Partly cloudy. Highs in the upper 90s.

Texas Crop & Weather

The following specific livestock, crop and weather conditions were reported by Panhandle Extension directors: Temperatures were near to slightly above average all week. Soil moisture varied from surplus to very short, with most areas reporting short to adequate. Corn was mostly fair. Cotton was rated from very poor to excellent, with most areas reporting fair to poor. Peanuts, sorghum and soybeans were rated mostly fair. Wheat was poor to fair as the harvest continued. Oats were rated good. Range conditions were very poor to excellent, with most counties reporting poor to fair. Cattle were in fair condition.



Parade Queen Margaret Ralston is riding in a 1905 Model B Ford, which was restored by the late Cecil Ralston. She was escorted by her daughter-in-law Penny Ralston, and her grandbaby.

A Chamber of Commerce Thank You

The Gruver July 4th Celebration was a great day enjoyed by the many people who filled our city park. It takes a lot of special people working very hard to pull it off and Gruver has no shortage of them.

Thanks go to Leon Bagwell along with helpers Paula Clemons and Kayla McLennan for the outstanding parade with 64 entries. Parade floats require a lot of thought and effort and we really appreciate everyone who provided an entry. We were given a special treat by parade commentators Brenda Hopkins, Julie Logsdon and roving reporter Zack Logsdon.

Parade Marshal was John Robinson leading the parade in a John Deere Gator and Parade Queen was Margaret Ralston riding in a 1905 Model B Ford, which was restored by the late Cecil Ralston. Thanks to Kurt Etling who provided the great music that livened up the day and the announcing for events and winners of the drawings.

The Lions Club out did themselves this year serving a fantastic BBQ meal that they have become famous for and fed around 700 hungry people. Thanks go to Scottie Davis and Chad Logsdon for organizing the 3 on 3 Sand Volleyball Tournament that is always a spectator's draw.

The Kiddie Barrel Train sponsored by Gruver Parts and driven by T. J. Been was a big hit with the little ones. Miranda Hill, Janyth Davis and all the girls in Alpha Mu Psi along with their families worked many hours in preparation and on the 4th providing the fun games and prizes throughout the day and we really appreciate them. Thanks to the volunteer Fire Department for putting up the Flags on Broadway and Main streets.

Last but not least thanks to city employees Mark Washburn, Brady Hart, Adan Salazar, Artemio Mundo, Payton Mitchell and volunteer Ray Marchman for working so hard to make our city park look beautiful and doing everything from setting up benches and chairs and blocking streets for the parade to keeping the electricity and everything else going.



National Run Honors Fallen Soldiers in Iraq

Relay Team Covers 4,000 Miles To Arlington National Cemetery



1st Lt. Michael Cleary

Hamilton College Alumnus Jon Bellona '03, in honor of his Hamilton roommate Michael Cleary '03 and all of the soldiers who have lost their lives in Iraq during Operation Iraqi Freedom, has organized a memorial cross-country relay beginning at Fort Irwin, CA, and finishing at Arlington National Cemetery.

Run for the Fallen began on Flag Day, June 14, and will end on Sunday, Aug. 24. Erin Kavanagh, to whom Cleary had been engaged, and his sister Shannon Cleary are also organizers of this initiative with Bellona.

The relay team, comprised primarily of Hamilton alumni, will plant a flag with the name of a fallen soldier at each mile on the 4,000-mile route. Shauna Sweet, Eric Janes, Taylor Janes, Triona Dombroski-Fritsch and John McKay, along with Bellona, will take turns running the 13-state route along with Kavanagh and Shannon Cleary. Three other Hamilton alumni, Andrew McKay, BJ Gardiner and John McKay, are creating a documentary of the effort throughout the summer. The group welcomes interested runners. Additional information is available at www.runforthe fallen.org.

The run will memorialize those soldiers who have lost their lives in Operation Enduring Freedom and Operation Iraqi Freedom, and simultaneously will raise funds for those left behind. Donations will be directed to the Wounded Warrior Project, the Yellow Ribbon Fund, 1st Lt. Michael J. Cleary Memorial Fund and HUGSS (Helping Unite Gold Star Survivors). The initiative has no political affiliation or agenda.

Sponsors of this endeavor include U-Haul, New Balance, Clif Bar and ACT Fastening

Solutions along with many motels and inns along the route. USO (United Services Organization) Mobile-West and USO Mobile-East are Run for the Fallen partners and will support military runners at the start and finish of the run. Several veterans groups have also supported the run. Those interested in making monetary contributions may do so by going to www.runforthe fallen.org.

The flag dedication markers, which are being made with the help of more than 20 middle and high schools, will create a memorial trail across the United States, connecting cities and towns and passing by many military installations.

"The run is a symbolic memorial," said Bellona. "While each flag will represent a soldier who has fallen, the run will stand as one large stitch spanning the width of the nation, coast to coast."

For more information, or to find out how to become a part of *Run for the Fallen*, please contact director and founder Jon Bellona at 315-404-2239 or jon@runforthe fallen.org or Erin Kavanagh at 570-574-3276 or erin@runforthe fallen.org Visit the Run for the Fallen website at www.runforthe fallen.org. Those interested in following the runners' progress may do so at blog.runforthe fallen.org.

Run for the Fallen will pass through the Texas Panhandle this weekend, July 11-15. The schedule is as follows:

Day 27: July 11, 2008: Dalhart, TX to Ady, TX 56.29 miles.

Day 28: July 12, 2008: Ady, TX to Fritch, TX 66.17 miles.

Day 29: July 13, 2008: Fritch, TX to Spearman, TX 60.94 miles.

Day 30: July 14, 2008: Spearman, TX to Follett, TX 63.71 miles.

Day 31: July 15, 2008: Follett, TX to Woodward, OK 62.35 miles.

If interested, you may go to www.runforthe fallen.org to see the list of soldiers they will be running for each day.

Participate In Run for the Fallen

You can participate in *Run for the Fallen!* On Sunday, August 24th, wherever you are. Let us know who will be running, your distance, and if you run in honor of any particular soldier. We'll be posting America's combined mileage on the website and the blog. It is on this day that we run to honor all service members killed in both Operation Enduring Freedom and Operation Iraqi Freedom. Download a flyer about the August 24th run.

For more information, visit www.runforthe fallen.org.

The Main Event

The Main Event is a community celebration being sponsored by the churches of Spearman and the surrounding area. It will be held August 21-24, 2008 at 8 p.m. at the Walking Park, east of Spearman High School. A pre-service concert will be held each night beginning at 7:15 p.m.

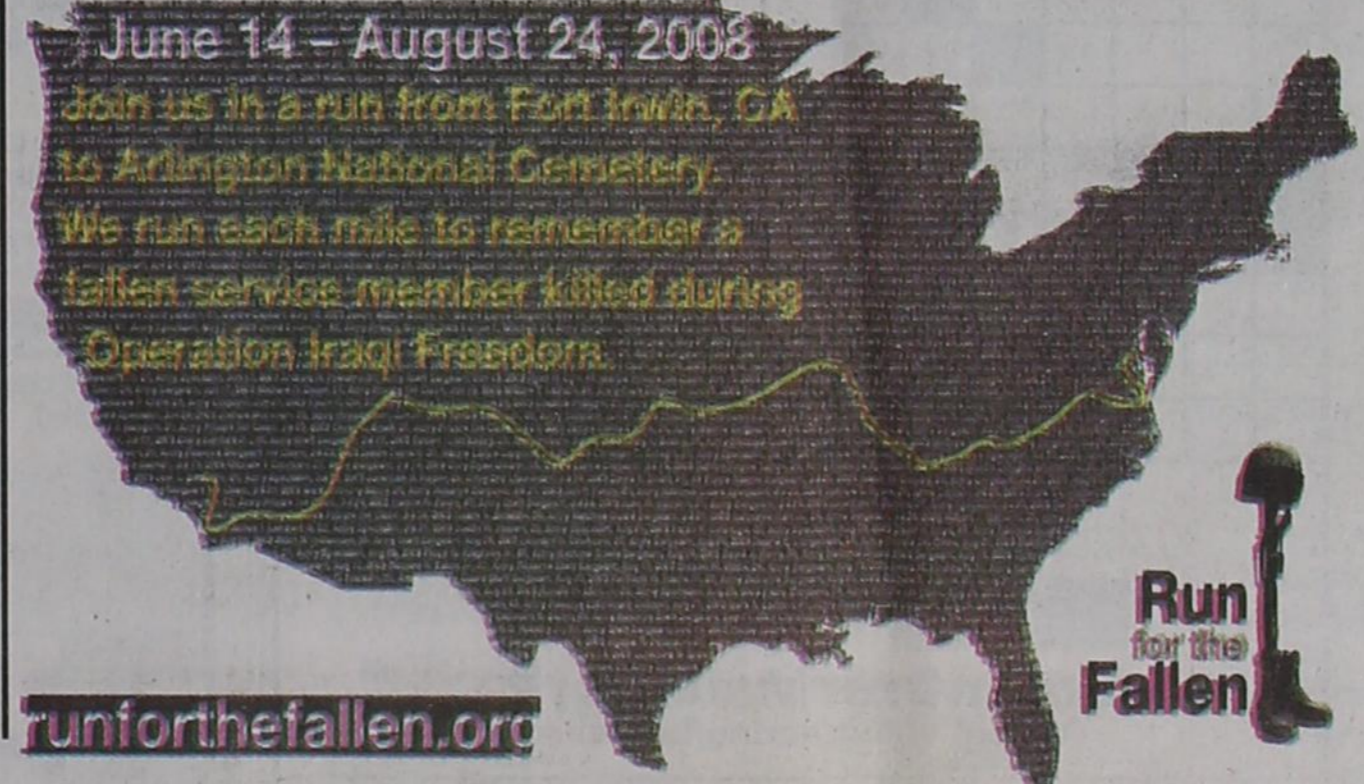
Speakers will include: Jon Randles, a motivating collegiate athletic speaker, FCA speaker and former church minister; Jodi Wilson, a music leader, entertainer, conference leader, minister and minister's wife; and Blake Bolerjack, a contemporary Christian recording artist.

Funds are needed to help underwrite this event. Please make donations to your church marked "Main Event," or mail them to: Main Event, PO Box 97, Spearman TX 79081. Donations can also be take to Hansford Abstract.

Closed Notice

The Hansford County Reporter-Statesman will be closed July 16-22. The deadline for the July 24th issue will be Tuesday, July 15th at 5 p.m. Items submitted after the deadline will be published at a later date, as time and space permit.

Items may be submitted by phone (806-659-3434), fax (806-398-9080), mail (Reporter-Statesman, 213 Main Street, Spearman TX 79081), in person (310 Barkley Street, Spearman) or e-mail (reporter@spearmanreporter.com).



runforthe fallen.org



Spearman Chamber of Commerce's

Yard of the Week

Monte & MaryAnne George
711 Wilbanks

Bobby & Dixie Smith
1118 Linn

Mandy Lusby
705 Dressen

If you have a yard you would like to nominate, please contact the Spearman Chamber of Commerce at 659-5555.

Lullabies, Legends & Lies

by Parson Smith, the Prime Minister of Laughter

A dear old friend sent me a story about a duck hunter. I don't know who wrote it, but I would sure like to meet her.

Duck Hunting

He and a friend go duck hunting in winter, and of course all the lakes are frozen. These two guys go out on the lake with their guns, a dog, and of course the new vehicle. They drive out onto the lake ice and get ready. Now, they want to make some kind of a natural landing area for the ducks, something for the decoys to float on.

In order to make a hole large enough to look like something a wandering duck would fly down and land on, it's going to take a little more effort than an ice hole drill. So, out of the back of the new Navigator truck comes a stick of dynamite with a short, 40-second fuse.

Now, these two Rocket Scientists do take into consideration that they want to place the stick of dynamite on the ice at a location far

from where they are standing (and from the new Navigator truck), and they don't want to take the risk of slipping on the ice when they run from the lit dynamite fuse and possibly go up in smoke with the resulting blast. They light the 40-second fuse and throw the dynamite as far away as they can.

Remember a couple of sentences back when I mentioned the vehicle, the guns, and the dog??

Let's talk about the dog; it's a highly trained Labrador used for RETRIEVING.

Especially well trained at retrieving things thrown by the owner. You guessed it, the dog takes off at a high rate of doggy speed on the ice and captures the stick of dynamite with the burning 40-second fuse about the time it hits the ice. The two men yell, scream, wave their arms and wonder what to do now. The dog, cheered on, keeps coming.

One of the guys grabs the shotgun and shoots the dog.

The shotgun is loaded with #8 birdshot, hardly big enough to stop a Lab. The dog stops for a moment, slightly confused, but continues on. Another shot and this time the dog, still standing, becomes really confused and of course terrified, thinking these two geniuses have gone insane. The dog takes off to find cover, under the brand new Navigator truck.

The men continue to yell as they run away. The exhaust pipe on the truck is still hot, so the dog yelps and drops the dynamite under the truck, and takes off after his master.

Then --BOOM-- the truck is blown to bits and sinks to the bottom of the lake in a very large hole, leaving the two idiots standing there with this "I can't believe this happened" look on their faces.

The insurance company says that sinking a vehicle in a lake by illegal use of explosives is NOT COVERED. He still had yet to make the first of those \$560.00 a month payments!!!

And you thought your day was not going well. *Until the next time, May God Bless.*

State Capital



SECURITY EFFORT BY DPS BORDER PATROL TO TARGET COMMERCIAL TRUCKERS



by Ed Sterling

AUSTIN - About two-thirds of the 10 million schoolchildren in Texas are not up to physical fitness standards, according to a study by a private company and funded by \$2.5 million in private donations.

The Texas Education Agency on July 1 publicized preliminary results after 2.6 million of the state's 3.4 million children in grades 3-12 were tested.

Test results show elementary school kids tend to be more fit than older kids. Roughly one-third of third-grade boys and girls tested in the "Healthy Fitness Zone." Testing revealed that an even lower rate of middle school students scored in the zone and that high school students were less fit than middle-schoolers.

The testing measures body composition, aerobic capacity, strength, endurance and flexibility. Each student must have a skin fold test and attempt a one-mile run, curl-ups, pushups, trunk lift and shoulder stretches.

Parents or guardians may obtain a copy of their child's "Fitnessgram" report from the child's school.

The legislation that instituted the testing and daily physical exercise requirements was written by Sen. Jane Nelson, R-Flower Mound, and sponsored by Rep. Rob Elssler, R-The Woodlands.

This issue has a cash side to it. According to the TEA, the Texas comptroller found that Texas businesses spent an estimated \$3.3 billion in 2005 on costs related to obesity. Costs included disability coverage, lower productivity, absenteeism and health care.

Steroid testing results released

These are preliminary results, but in the spring term only two out of more than 10,000 Texas high school athletes tested positive for anabolic steroids in their systems in a random screening program mandated by SB 8 passed by the 80th Texas Legislature in 2007.

Student-athletes in grades 9-12, regardless of sport, gender or participation level, are subject to screening. The University Interscholastic League said 40,000 to 50,000 student-athletes will have been screened by the end of the 2008-2009 school

year. The program costs the state \$3 million to administer.

Branch named to powerful board

Texas House Speaker Tom Craddick on July 1 appointed state Rep. Dan Branch, R-Dallas, to the Legislative Budget Board.

Branch replaces state Rep. Fred Hill, R-Richardson, who resigned from the post. Hill, 68, is not seeking reelection in the fall. Hill was elected to the House in 1988 and is the 13th most senior member of the 150-member chamber. Branch, 50, elected to the Dist. 108 House seat in 2002, plans to seek a third two-year term.

The 10-member Legislative Budget Board was created by statute in 1949. The board analyzes, develops and recommends appropriations for all state governmental agencies and provides the Texas Legislature with a state budget at the beginning of each regular legislative session.

Craddick and Lt. Gov. David Dewhurst serve as joint chairs of the board. Besides Branch, other members include Senate Finance Committee Chair Steve Ogden, R-College Station; House Committee on Appropriations Chair Warren Chism, R-Pampa; Sen. Robert Duncan, R-Lubbock; Rep. Jim Keffer, R-Eastland; Sen. John Whitmire, D-

Houston; Sen. Judith Zaffirini, D-Laredo; and Rep. Sylvester Turner, D-Houston.

Meanwhile, on the subject of budgets and budgeteers, Gov. Rick Perry on July 2 named Mary Katherine Stout as his director of budget, planning and policy.

The Texas A&M graduate has been serving as vice president of policy and director for Texas Public Policy Foundation's Center for Health Care Policy.

The foundation is a non-profit, non-partisan, research institute based in Austin.

Craddick vs. Dingus in November

Speaker Craddick will face an opponent in the November general election: Democrat Bill Dingus of Midland, a recent former member of the Midland city council.

Dingus resigned from the city council on April 21 and announced his candidacy for the seat occupied by Craddick for the last 38 years.

The Republican Party of Texas contested that Dingus was ineligible to run because he was still serving on the city council when he filed for candidacy.

A Travis County state district court ruled Dingus not in conflict with the state's prohibition on dual office-holding and eligible to run.

HANSFORD COUNTY

OLIVER WALLIN

Oliver Wallin, the son of Arthur and Minnie Wallin, was only 18 years old when he enlisted in December of 1943. He left behind his family and childhood chum and sweetheart to train for and take part in the Normandy invasion.

Oliver survived the brutal beach landing on June 8th (two days after D-Day) and got as far as Saint Lo, France, with his battalion. The capture of Saint Lo was imperative if the Allied troops were to break out of Normandy and push on across France to drive the Germans out and liberate this country. Saint Lo was captured on July 18.

His battalion went on into the South of France, where Oliver was injured on August 10, 1944 when a hand grenade caught Oliver. He realized immediately that he had lost his leg and sustained multiple injuries, but there were no survivors around him to offer first aid. (It was later learned that he was the sole survivor of his entire battalion at Saint Lo.) He managed to make a tourniquet for his upper leg out of his belt and a second tourniquet for his arm from his handkerchief, and then Oliver crawled one-half mile until he reached the medics behind the front lines.

Months and months followed in the military hospital in Temple, Texas for this 19-year-old Gruver boy.

Opal, who married him soon after his discharge, says, "Oliver always felt fortunate that he came back as whole as he did. He wore a prosthesis the rest of his life, and at times needed crutches, but he told people he wasn't disabled, only handicapped."

The Wallins were engaged in farming and reared three children over the following 43 years. Oliver died of cancer in January of 1989.

"He never talked much about the war," Opal muses today. "He never felt any bitterness in the loss of his leg because he loved his country and believed he had been meant to fight to keep it free."

Pictures and information for this feature may be submitted to the Reporter-Statesman (310 Barkley Street), mailed to WW II Memories, % Reporter-Statesman, 213 Main Street, Spearman TX 79081, emailed to reporter@spearmanreporter.com, or they may be given to Dorothy Hudson, 733-2562, 806 Cluck Avenue, Gruver TX 79040, or emailed to dhudson862@gruver.net.

MORNING ROUTINES

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These games are brought to you by the Hansford County Reporter-Statesman

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Happy Birthday!

Editor's Note: This Happy Birthday list is run as a public service by the Hansford County Reporter-Statesman. We apologize if any names are misspelled. If you know of a name that needs to be changed, added or deleted, please call 659-3434.

Thank you, Catherine

July 10
Birthday - Steven Greever, Donna Sheets, Lorene Kunsleman, Carolyn Shields, Cathy Gafford, Mitch Gillian, Belinda Francis, Felex Lopez, Jolynda Vasquez, Justin Bass, Jerrill Key, James Sursa
Anniversary - M/M Randy Kirk

July 11
Birthday - Louis Schnell, Marvin Jones, Danny Pope, Juanita Paul, Sharon Archer, Scott Russell, Kenneth Schaeffer, Debbie George, Zeke Henson

July 12
Birthday - Carolyn Fletcher, Larry Hicks, Justin Horton, Jenie Kirkland, J.W. Jenkins, Cheryl Long, Glenda Guthrie, Olga Gafford, Lucas Biggs, Stan Josephson, Dustin Irbeck, Charlie Spencer, Madison Chad, Colton Meek, Melinda Tidwell, Mandie Hunter
Anniversary - Harold & Joyce Crooks

July 13
Birthday - Mary Schroeder, Ron Clark, Gary Burke, Rounder Jackson, Clay Schnell, Claude (Junior) Crossland
Anniversary - Allen & Margie Alfred

July 14
Birthday - Scott Bullard, Jo Alice Clawson, Shelly Logsdon, Albert Baker, Linda Jarvis, Carrie Pearson, Rebecca Rosales, Butch Baker
Anniversary - M/M Roy Stinson, Betty & Kenneth Redwine, Tim & Charolette Bynum

July 15
Birthday - Julie Imke, Carol Pack, Chris Jenkins, Sonya Nitschke, Maude McClellan, Ryan Renick, Julie Stork, Hazle Britt, Clarence Zabel, Samantha Baker, Kayla Schrader, Nelva Snow, Galen Coates
Anniversary - Alvin & Becky Byers, M/M Jack Jackson, M/M Bob Gillispie, M/M Richard Shad, M/M Jerry Hayes

July 16
Birthday - Dave Barkley, Dorothy Hudson, Maria McCall, Clinton Tindell, Mary Ann Kenney Peters, Jay Pack, Pam Fairfield
Anniversary - Hal & Sara Shufeldt

July 17
Birthday - Holly Meyer, Debbie Tolleson, Wesley Jarvis, Michael Dodd, Dennis Nelson, Marie Jones, Dr. Tom Latta, Charlie Garcia, Cody Baskin, Karl Bynum, Julie Baca, Veronica Rosales, Kevin Quillin, Denise Smith, Michael Lusby, Coley Griffin
Anniversary - M/M Willie Wilkerson, M/M Dick Thompson, M/M Jim Fowler

July 18
Birthday - Trixie Holt, Lisa Salmans, Maria Vela Acevedo, Linda McCoy, Cris McClellan, Greg Meek, Sonny Patterson, Shanda Denee Graham, Kathryn Murphy
Anniversary - Jim & Laquita Evans, Scott & Marla Bullard, Tracy & Angela Graham, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Deakin, Kim & Steven Francis

July 19
Birthday - June Barkley, Joe Lopez Jr., Ronnie Williams, Vincent Garcia, Blake Beedy, Mark Avila, Pauline Nava, Opal Petree, Amber TeBeest
Anniversary - Ray & Judy Martin, Joey & Lyn Woolley, Don & Carolyn Savage, M/M Corky Chapman, M/M Arlo Shearer

July 20
Birthday - Elaine Rogers, Arlo Shearer, Vic Schuman, Virginia White, Thomas Reed, Cal Nava, Mary Barnes, Meli Floyd Burgess, Bruce Bailey, Neale Estes, Sylvia Herara, Cheryl Wall, Braxton Crane
Anniversary - Rick & Jan Howard, M/M Eric Brown, M/M Joe Archer Sr., M/M Mike Garnett, M/M F.W. Thomas

July 21
Birthday - Tasha Haight Hiles, Larry Kennedy, Clint Lilley, Trevor Shearer, Earl Goodheart, Jewell Turner, Ross Donahue, Josephine Schneider, Kirk Davis, Jessica Woolley, Ron Robinson, Barbara Farr, Larry Blackwell, Mary K. Harbour, Van Bradford, Ty Seagler, Matt Salazar
Anniversary - Jeff & Michelle Beedy, M/M Thomas Reyes, M/M Johnnie Williams, Mr. and Mrs. Chad Logsdon

Words from Faith & Grace

by Cecil R. Biggers, Lutheran Lay Minister



In the tenth week of Pentecost we experience the presence of God as we study Isaiah 55:1-13, Psalm 65:1-8-9-13, Romans 8:1-11, and Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23.

Isaiah shows that the Word of God is effective, it carries out the tasks assigned to it. The task is the restoration of these believers into a perfect relationship with God.

The Psalmist sings praise to God for his presence which causes things to grow and to produce fruit.

Paul answers in Chapter 8 of Romans the problem of sin in the life of a Christian which he describes in Chapter 7. Paul mentions the Holy Spirit ten times in eleven verses. His premise is that all men die because of sin. We are condemned in Adam's sin. Paul condemns living in the "flesh" but by this Paul means living according to our human nature in its weakness; living our entire lives from the human point of view; living our lives to satisfy our "flesh" literally. The sins of the "flesh" also encompass shortcomings of our spirit. Therefore, it follows that if we are dead because of sin, we are alive because of the Spirit of Christ Jesus that dwells in us. Through God's grace we receive His Spirit that guides us to faith which leads us to baptism and the remission of our sin. We have not overcome our sin, the Holy Spirit that dwells in us, has. Think about this, when the Holy Spirit is inside you, you wake up, the Holy Spirit gets into your spirit, you come truly alive! Spirituality is the essence of being; it can change our reality. Yes, we will sin as long as we are in the mortal body and yes, this body is dead to God, BUT, while the Holy Spirit, God's presence, dwells within us, we have life both in our mortal body and our spirit forever!

Our study of Jesus moves from his teaching in the synagogues to his teaching in the countryside. Jesus teaches in parables. Parables are like riddles, the hearer is to find the answer. Parables make the truth concrete. They move from the here and now to the there and then. Parables only have one point and it is aimed at the hearer. Hence if we study parables, we must learn something of the nature of life in first century Palestine so that the truth strikes us in the same manner it did those in the early faith community. The parable of the "Sower" is one of two parables with an explanation by Jesus. Understanding the explanation will help us when we study Jesus' other parables. The "Sower" represents the one who is spreading the Word, presence, of God. The seeds/Word which fell on the hard, packed path and were eaten by birds, represent those people whose minds are so closed, whose opinions are so set that the love of the gospel cannot penetrate their barriers. That which fell upon stony ground, represent those who hearing the Word rejoice, but like the soil of much of Palestine they are shallow, and the Word does not take permanent root. The seeds/Word which fell among thorns and was choked out represents those who gladly receive the Word but who have so many "irons in the fire" that they never act on the Word and are lost. The seeds/Word that fell on good soil represent those who gladly hear the word, understand it, implement it in their life, and share it. When you share the seed/Word, do not expect quick results, but pray that the Holy Spirit will nurture that Word which you have helped to plant.

May the Holy Spirit abide in you that you may have life eternal and share the joy of God's presence.

Thank You!

The Stationmaster's House Museum sincerely appreciates the generosity of all who attended and participated in the art exhibit and sale on Friday, June 13th at the Zulu Art Gallery. The artists of Hansford County and the surrounding area are to be commended on the many talents their exhibits displayed.

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College Corner

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Ryan Ramon, College of Liberal Arts, Theatre, has been named to the Dean's List at Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi for the 2008 spring semester.
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Tarleton State University

Dana McLaughlin, Marketing major, was named to the Distinguished Students list for the spring 2008 semester at Tarleton State University.
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FOR YOUR INFORMATION

Lunch & Learn

Ponds & Fountains in the Home Landscape", will be the topic for Lunch & Learn, Tuesday, July 8, from 12:00 - 1:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall of Spearman Church of Christ. Ken Pirtle, Master Gardener from Amarillo and member of the Amarillo Botanical Garden Education Committee, will present the program. Participants will learn tips on constructing and caring for ponds and fountains in the home landscape. This free program is sponsored by the Texas AgriLife Extension Service and Extension Education clubs. Donations for lunch will be accepted. Call Peggy Winegarner at 659-4131 or 733-2901 for more information.

Rushing Wind Emmaus Community

Rushing Wind Emmaus Community will meet Saturday, July 12, at 6 p.m. in the fellowship hall of the First United Methodist Church, 4th and Baylor, Peryton. A potluck meal will be served followed by training for sponsors and a praise and worship service. The team meeting for the July 24-27 Men's Walk 67 will start at 9 a.m. and the board meeting at 4 p.m. at the church. All Emmaus members, families and friends are welcome

Cowboy Poetry Breakfast

The monthly Cowboy Poetry Breakfast, sponsored by the Southwest Cowboy Poets Association, will be Saturday, July 12, beginning at 8:00 at the Big Texan. The public is invited. Headliner Ed Havrell of Iowa Park is a true Native Texan, having bred quarter horses for 40 years. Retirement gives him the time to spend on writing cowboy poetry. One of the highlights of this career is appearing at Red Stegall's Ft Worth Show. Gennie Peters, secretary of SWCPA, will emcee. Following the headliner, members of the SWCPA will join in the entertainment with cowboy poetry and music of heritage, southwestern cowboy culture, cowboy experiences, tragedies and hilarious happenings revealing the western creed. The public is invited.

Spearman Blood Drive

A Boots & Badges Competition Blood Drive will be held at the O'Loughlin Center (502 S. Brandt) in Spearman on Monday, July 14th from 1-7 p.m. Boots & Badges T-shirts will be given to all eligible donors. Whose blood runs through your veins? Vote for your favorite local hero! A competition will be held between the Fire Department and the Law Enforcement agencies. Please call Susan Poole at 659-3030 to schedule an appointment. ALL BLOOD TYPES ARE CURRENTLY NEEDED! The need is real. There is no substitute for blood. It can only come from volunteer blood donors. Please support the patients of the High Plains Region...Give the Gift of Life!

Hansford County 8th Annual Benefit Rib Cook-Off

The Hansford County 8th Annual Benefit Rib Cook-Off will be held Saturday, July 19th at the Z Ranch (maps to the Z Ranch are available at Hansford Implement, Five Star Equipment, Gruver Parts & Supply, Farm Supply Inc., and the Hansford County Courthouse). Judging of Ribs, Alligator, Side Dishes and Dessert will be held at 6 p.m., followed by dinner at 6:30 p.m. Donations will benefit Kathy Bryant, Andy and Kathy Lindsey, Kayla Carden, Abigail TeBeest and Arbeta Nobles. Live music will be provided by "Wooden Nickel." Anyone wishing to attend is invited to bring lawn chairs and a side dish or dessert! Meat was donated by Brad Hart, Richard Wagner, McCattle Co., Mark Irwin, Ian Levis, Jackie Wilson, Clint Irwin and Dean Coates. For more information, call Barbara or Paul Stavlo at 733-2600 or Mike Cudd at 659-5030.

Understanding Infant Adoption

A Continuing Education Training Class on Understanding Infant Adoption will be held on Friday, July 18, 2008 from 9 a.m.-4 p.m. at the Pampa Chamber of Commerce Building, 200 North Ballard Street, Pampa. Registration begins at 8:30 a.m. The target audience is health care professionals (social workers, nurses, case managers, educators, etc.) interacting or providing health care along with social/educational services to pregnant women, etc. 8 hours of continuing education credits, approved by the National Association of Social Workers (NASW) and 5.6 CEAP hours are approved for nurses. The registration deadline is Wednesday, July 16th. To pre-register or for more information, contact Karen Russell (Panhandle AHEC) at 806-651-3482 or krussell@mailo.wtamu.edu.

Parish Nurse & Health Ministry Program

Basic Parish Nurse Prep Training for RN's and Health Advocate Training for Non-RNs will be held on July 24, 25, 31 and August 1 at Saint Stephen United Methodist Church in Amarillo, Texas. This non-denominational course is for registered nurses interested in training to become parish nurses for their churches. 34 contact hours will be awarded to RNs completing the four-day training. Also welcome are those who would like to attend for the valuable information and resources as health advocates including retired RNs, LVNs, allied health, clergy and others. Health advocates will receive no contact hours. Parish nursing provides a blending of nursing expertise and spiritual care in congregations as part of the ministry team. Registration fee will be \$350 for registered nurses and \$250 for health advocates/others. The fee will include training materials/books and lunch. The registration deadline is July 11, 2008. For more information, or to register, please contact Sharon Hinton, Rural Nurse Resource at 806-983-8096 or sth.mr@door.net, or Sandi McGinnis at 806-353-7988 (mcginnis@am.net) or Sharon Tunnell at 806-355-7271.

Kwahadi Dancers Present Song of the Eagle

The Kwahadi Dancers present *Song of the Eagle* every Friday and Saturday night at 7:30 p.m. at the Kwahadi Museum of the American Indian through July 20. A special one hour short performance with discounted tickets will be presented July 4. Dinner is served at 6:30 p.m. Them museum is located on the north side of I-40 between Lakeside and Airport. For information or reservations, call the museum at 806-335-3175. The Museum is open summer hours 11 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. Wed through Sat, and until 10 p.m. on show days, and is open 1 - 5 p.m. on Sunday afternoons.

Foreign Investors Notification

The Agricultural Foreign Investment Disclosure Act requires all foreign owners of U.S. agricultural land to report their holdings to the Secretary of Agriculture. The Farm Service Agency administers this program for USDA. Foreign persons who have purchased or sold agricultural land in the county are required to report the transaction to FSA with in 90 days of the closing. Failure to submit the AFIDA form could result in civil penalties of up to 25 percent of the fair market value of the property. County government offices, realtors, attorneys and others involved in real estate transactions are reminded to notify foreign investors of these reporting requirements.

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Engagement Announcement

Archie and Gayle Smith of Spearman announce the engagement of their daughter, Kacee Lynn Smith of Lubbock, to Joshua Randall Ivy of Tahoka, TX. Joshua is the son of Jay and Janice Ivy of Midland, TX.

They will be married on Saturday, September 20, 2008, at the First Baptist Church, Spearman, TX.

Kacee is the granddaughter of Alton and Peggy Ellsworth of Spearman and the late Preston and Edith Smith of Spearman. Kacee graduated from Spearman High School in 1997. She graduated from the Executive Secretarial School of Dallas with a Legal Administrative Assisting Degree. Kacee is currently employed as a Coordinator for the Medical Records Department at the Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center.

Joshua is the grandson of the late Henry and Juanita Ivy of Crane, TX., and the late Oscar and Emma Campbell of Carthage, TX. Joshua graduated from Kermit High School in 1993. He graduated from Trinity Valley College with a Criminal Justice Degree. Joshua is currently employed as a Supervisor at Best Buy.

Mr. and Mrs. William Blaneck
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Meghan

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- Jennifer Laxson & Anthony Smith
- Miranda Barnhill & Travis Brown
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- Cortney Chambers & Keith Winegarner
- Jentry Edwards & Clinton Williams
- Lourdes Vega & David Puebla
- Brooke Beville & Andrew McMurry
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- Alma Martinez & Andy McElhannon

Baby Registry

- Jeffrey & Danielle Jackson - 7/12
- Karl & Amelia Cox - 7/12
- Chris & Stephnie (Bowling) Barclay - 7/13
- Dustin & Rowena May Parks - 8/5
- Aaron & Bryn (Lowe) Weller - 9/6
- Radar & Betty Garcia - TBA
- Jessica Villarreal & Isaac Herndon
- Kyle & Audra McLaughlin
- Cristina (Cricket) Salgado & Ray Banaban

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It's A Girl!

Sandi and Steve Master announce the birth of their daughter, Madalin Jessica. She was born on May 4, 2008, at Summerlin Hospital in Las Vegas, NV.



Madalin weighed six pounds, 4 ounces and was 18 inches long. She is the granddaughter of Maralin and Mac Moore, and the great-granddaughter of Pauline McGee.

You are invited to a Bridal Shower honoring Audrey Winegarner

(bride-elect of Braden Gibson)
on Saturday, July 12, 2008
from 10:00-11:30 a.m.
in the Clementine Bed & Breakfast
822 S. Evans Spearman

You are invited to a Baby Girl Shower honoring Stephnie (Bowling) Barclay

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Wolf Creek Heritage Museum Notes

by Virginia Scott

MUSEUM HAPPENINGS

Gwen Ferguson and helper spent Wednesday morning setting up her exhibit. Her exhibit is one of the largest ones we have ever had. The walls of the art room are covered from top to bottom with beautiful landscapes, wildlife, horses and portraits.

She also brought her sister's jewelry for display. Her sister, Ann Pearce designs jewelry utilizing semi-precious stones and sterling silver. Her shop is in San Antonio, Texas. Her display is accompanied with an article that describes how she designs her treasures.

The results of the paintings by Gwen and the jewelry by Ann is a beautiful exhibit from two very talented ladies. You are going to enjoy this exhibit which will be on display through the month of August. (We will announce her reception at a later date.)

Watch for the posters announcing the Book Signing for Elaine Littau to be held on Saturday, July 19th. That is a week from Saturday. Elaine's book is *Nan's Journey* a story based in the 1800's that follows a young woman and her brother as they seek safety from an abusive family and reach out to strangers for help.

Elaine lives outside of Perryton with her husband, Terry. We look forward to her appearance. We hope everyone will join us in supporting our local authors.

Looking for something to do this summer? I have two suggestions. First is to go geocaching - if you have a GPS device. This is an electronic treasure hunt. You can go to a website (www.geocaching.com) and put in your zip code and they will give you a list of caching in your area. You use the GPS settings to find the local caches and sign in their log book and take a little prize. I have placed three around Lipscomb. We have already received emails from Oklahoma and all round the Panhandle. It is free market-

ing to our area. A modern road trip.

I have received emails telling me that I have submitted incorrect settings. Being new to this, I would welcome some local help with these settings. So if you have a GPS and could spare some time, please come by the museum and I will send you to our caches and you can give me new settings.

Our second suggestion for local exploration is locating historical markers. The Texas Historical Commission will send you a "nifty prize" from the Texas Heritage Trails when you send them a photo of a historical marker along with a sentence or two about where you were and what you remember about the site. You email it to The Medallion (the historical commission magazine) at medallion@thc.state.tx.us.

There are a lot of markers in the top 52 counties of Texas so for short vacations this summer go history hunting.

One of the nice things about memberships is that we receive updates on our members. This week we received a renewal from Lenora Mathis Harrell Rogers who sent us a picture of her at the Mitchell Corn Palace with Corny-eelia in Mitchell, South Dakota. Lenora moved to Mitchell last year to be near her children. She was always a good visitor to our programs and we miss her.

The membership drive is progressing well. Remember to receive our newsletter, you must be a member. The next newsletter will be mailed in August.

The board will meet July 16th at 4 p.m. here at the museum. The public is invited and welcome - please join us.

HISTORICAL MUSINGS
With this being an election year, you might be interested in knowing this historical tidbit about Texas. On June

28, 1919, the Texas Senate ratified the national amendment granting women the right to vote. Texas thus became the first Southern state to ratify the Nineteenth Amendment, and the ninth in the nation.

The Texas Equal Suffrage Association, a state chapter of the National American Woman Suffrage Association, led the fight for suffrage from 1913 on, and achieved one of its key goals when it won the right for women to vote in the primary elections in 1918. This led to the amendment being sent to all the states for approval. I wondered who was and when the first woman voted in Lipscomb County. I will try to have our history detectives to help me find out.

In 1919, women were voting locally on bond issues for schools. The legislature was also granting funds for the Texas A&M system. Our towns were young and thriving.

In reviewing the 1919 Lipscomb Lime Light for the voting news, I discovered a column entitled "Slat's Diary." It has a photo of a young boy in Tom Sawyer clothes and pose. The Diary is from a Friday thru Wednesday and records the boys activities on these days. It is written in the slang and misspelling of the times (I hope) because I could not understand most of it. Here is Saturday's entry for your translation:

"Saturday- Mister Gillem ast pa a Riddle & he ded Why is the newspapers of today like the woods was in Mithological times whatever them are. Pa diddent know & Mister Gillem sed Because they are so ful of Dry Ads. They laffed. it went over my head."

(I think it went over mine too.) I hope in 2108, that my column makes a little more sense than this column. Have a great week.

NRCS Reminds Producers about Options for Expiring CRP Acres

Time is drawing near for the expiration of many Conservation Reserve Program (CRP) contracts on the South Plains and High Plains regions of the state.

The Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) wants to remind landowners with expiring CRP contracts to come by the local field offices to review their conservation compliance plans before making decisions on the future use of their land.

"The bulk of the state's expiring CRP contracts are located on the South Plains and Panhandle regions," said Mickey Black, NRCS assistant state conservationist in Lubbock. "It's important for landowners to understand USDA compliance before putting a plow in the ground. Producers should know the options available to them."

According to the Farm Service Agency (FSA), in this region there are over 78,000 acres in CRP contracts due to expire in October. Almost 680,000 acres of CRP will expire in October of 2009, and over 507,000 acres in October of 2010.

NRCS wants producers to know that it's never too early to start considering what to do with CRP land. Leigh Cranmer, NRCS agronomist in Lubbock said, "Landowners have several options, including grazing or haying the existing grass cover, making enhancements to target wildlife, or putting it back into production. A grazing or haying system could be set up for relatively little cost, and would offer protection from erosion as well as benefiting

wildlife. If crop production is the goal, serious consideration should be given to leaving sensitive areas and acres with a low potential for production in grass, and only farming those areas best suited for crop production."

NRCS can assist producers with livestock water facilities and cross fences if producers leave the land in the existing grass cover. Cost share assistance may be available through the Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP), administered by NRCS.

According to NRCS, if land is converted back to crop production, it may be necessary for landowners to apply certain conservation practices on their land to ensure compliance with the Highly Erodible Land and Wetland Provisions of the Food Security Act of 1985.

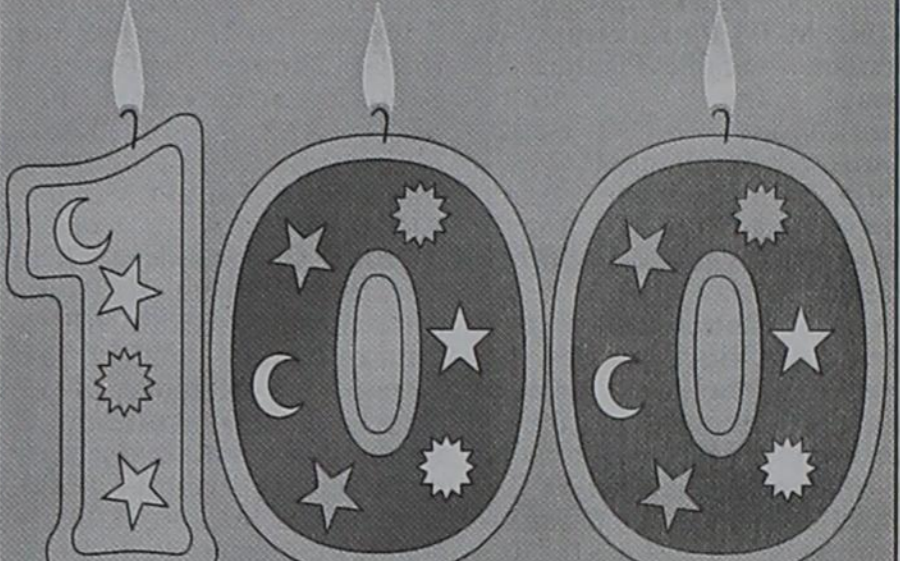
Conservation compliance could entail the implementation of a crop rotation that

includes high residue-producing crops like wheat or sorghum, or the installation, repair and maintenance of structural practices like terraces.

NRCS, working with the local Soil and Water Conservation Districts, urges producers to contact their local NRCS field offices to discuss expiring CRP options and to check on eligibility for USDA benefits.

CRP is a voluntary program through which farmers and ranchers plant grasses and trees on marginal cropland acres in exchange for rental payments. The USDA Farm Service Agency administers CRP; NRCS provides technical assistance for the program.

For more information, call the USDA-NRCS office in your county, listed under USDA in the Yellow Pages, or access the information on the Texas NRCS website at www.tx.nrcs.usda.gov.



Birthday Wishes

Raye Gibson will celebrate his One Hundredth birthday on July 28, 2008!

His family would like to honor him on this occasion with at least 100 Birthday Wishes. They are asking that anyone wishing to send Raye a card or a shared memory of him - it would be nice if he received at least 100 cards for his 100th birthday. If you would rather, you may want to write about a story or share a joke you remember with Raye.

We hope you will take a few minutes out of your busy schedule to make Raye feel special on his centennial birthday. The address is PO Box 61, Spearman TX 79081.

ATTENTION LITTLE LEAGUE PLAYERS

All uniforms and raffle tickets/money MUST be turned in by Saturday, July 19th.

Please return all uniforms to Sandy White at 104 S. Barkley.

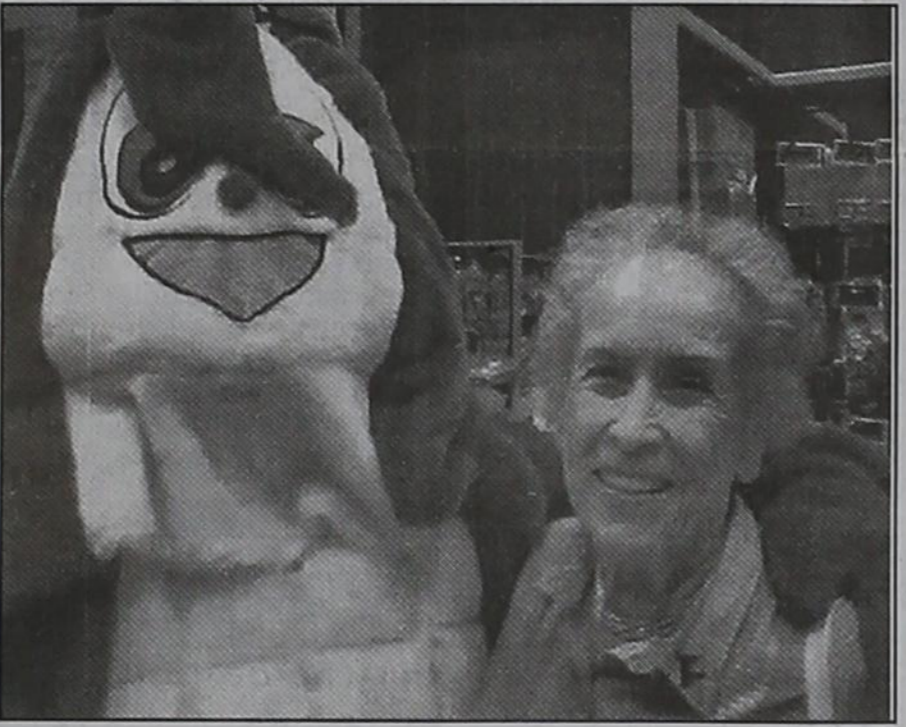
Raffle tickets and money needs to be returned to Sally Swan at 805 S. Archer. ALL raffle tickets and money MUST be turned in by July 19th in order for us to draw for the raffle. We MUST have ALL tickets accounted for prior to the drawing.

For more information, or if you have any questions, please call Sharon Swan at 659-1734.

Wolf Creek Heritage Museum

Museum Hours: Monday thru Friday 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Sunday 2 to 4 p.m. Special hours upon request.

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Austin Benton: Chamber of Commerce - \$400, Hansford Implement Co. - \$500, Helen Etter Holt - \$500 - \$1400

Kim Bergan: Don & Kayla Schroeder - \$100, Hansford Abstract - \$250, James & Faye Cunningham - \$250, B&B Sales - \$100, D&C Greenhouse - \$300 = \$1000

Amy Boyd: Brown Graham & Co. - \$250, Britt & Linda Jarvis - \$250, Charlie Little Memorial Scholarship - \$500 = \$1000

Brittney Bradley: Phillip & Lynna Renner - \$500, Anonymous - \$500, Anonymous - \$500, Cody & Abby Pipkin - \$300 = \$1800

Amy Brown: Crop Chasers, Mark Murray - \$250, MDM Farm Supply & Service - \$500, Pittman & Sons, Inc. - \$500, Bunkhouse - \$200, Hansford Implement Co. - \$500, First State Bank Spearman - \$500, North Plains Insurance - \$500 = \$2950

Lizet Camacho: Cates Men & Boys - \$100, Spearman School Board & Superintendent - \$250, Anthony & Linda Wilkerson, in Memory of Susie & LF Hand - \$500, Richie & Karen Thompson - \$250 = \$1600

Sandi Carbajal: Spearman Rotary Club - \$500, Senior Class of 2006 - \$460.10, Don & Mary Allen in Memory of Karen Woodward - \$500, Anthony & Linda Wilkerson in Memory of Susie & LF Hand - \$250 = \$1701.10

Mattie Davis: Spearman Chamber of Commerce - \$400, Kent & Glenda Guthrie - \$500, First National Bank Spearman - \$400, Larry & Robbie Butts in Memory of Rosa Lee Butt - \$1000, Rosa Lee Butt Memorial Scholarship - \$525, First State Bank Stratford in Memory of Rosa Lee Butt - \$500, Cargill - \$300, Bill & Ginger Pittman - \$500, Mike Davis Scholarship Fund - \$1000, Tharin Company - \$500, Joel & Haley Shields - \$250 = \$5875

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Manuel Estrada: Hickerson Jewelers - \$150, Show Time Car Club - \$500,

Mary & Perry Dixon - \$250, Foundation - \$100 = \$1000

Caitlin Garcia: R&R RV Park - \$250, Dr. & Mrs. Mark Garnett - \$250, Rue Sanders - \$500 = \$1000

Wendy Gaytan: JLW Joint Venture - \$500, Lowe's Marketplace - \$500 = \$1000

Dane Harbour: Britt & Linda Jarvis - \$250, Gene & Francis Cudd Estate - \$500, First State Bank Spearman - \$500 = \$1250

Claribel Hernandez: Hansford Agency - \$200, Foundation - \$800 = \$1000

Kylee Howard: Todd & Krista Baird - \$150, Hansford Retired School Employees - \$250, Trencor Enterprises - \$1000, Britt & Linda Jarvis - \$250, Jerry & Christine Hart - \$500 = \$2150

Clara Kern: Cargill - \$300, Perry & Mary Dixon - \$250, Gordon's Drug - \$100, Bill & Barbara Belger - \$500 = \$1150

Christy Lang: Michael & Missie Bates - \$100, Todd & Krista Baird - \$150, Frontier Feeders - \$250, Jentry Edwards in Honor of her Bridal Shower Hostesses - \$100, Speartex Grain Co. - \$500, Anthony & Linda Wilkerson in Memory of Susie & LF Hand - \$250 = \$1350

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Heriselda Perez: Bob & Candy Boxwell - \$500, Foundation - \$500 = \$1000

Kyla Reed: Agco of Spearman - \$400, Claude & Stephanie Crossland - \$100, Irvin & Betty Davis - \$500, Anonymous - \$500, Cargill - \$300, Mike & Pat Cudd - \$500 = \$2300

Kaci Renteria: Johnny & Carol Dunihoo - \$500, Golden Spread Sales - \$250, Foundation - \$250 = \$1000

JJ Rojas: Dr. James Pinkerton - \$250, James & Faye Cunningham - \$250, Foundation - \$400, Don O'Kayla Schroeder - \$100 = \$1000

Kendall Schneider: Anonymous - \$250, Lasater & Co. - \$500, Five Star Equipment - \$250, First State Bank Spearman - \$500, Claude & Stephanie Crossland - \$100 = \$1600

Tara Shields: Jason Cantrell - \$500, Anonymous - \$250, Five Star Equipment Co. - \$250, Britt & Linda Jarvis - \$250, Jerry & Christine Hart - \$300, Rod

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Maegen Smith: Pittman & Sons, Inc. - \$500, Crop Chasers - \$250, Spearman School Board & Superintendent - \$250, Anonymous - \$100, JLW Joint Venture - \$500, H&H Water Well Service - \$500, Kirk Insurance - \$250 = \$2350

Ivan Terrazas: Chamber of Commerce - \$400, Michael & Missie Bates - \$100, Spearman Rotary Club - \$500 = \$1000

Continuing Scholarships

Francisco Briseno: Crop Chasers - \$250, Lowe's Marketplace - \$500, Charlie Little Memorial Scholarship - \$500, Foundation - \$750 = \$2000

Saylee Flowers: Jason Cantrell - \$250, Britt & Linda Jarvis - \$250, Brock Insurance - \$500, Foundation - \$1000 = \$2000

Sharon Haney: Crop Chasers - \$250, High Plains Observer - \$300, Foundation - \$1450 = \$2000

Karina Hernandez: Bill & Ginger Pittman - \$500, Class of 1998 - \$500, Foundation - \$1000 = \$2000

Emily Hood: Hoyt & Francis Biles - \$3000, John Hutchison - \$250, Pittman & Sons - \$500 = \$3750

Jarick Howard: Matt Archer - \$1000, Foundation - \$1000 = \$2000

Wilhma Macias: Agco - \$400, Cham - \$500, Armando Munoz in Memory of Homer Munoz - \$250, Foundation - \$850 = \$2000

Zackery Nollner: Willis Boyd Dirt Service - \$500, Interstate Savings Bank - \$100, Foundation - \$1400 = \$2000

Ryan Ramon: Rod Sumner in Memory of Rich Melton - \$200, Foundation - \$1800 = \$2000

Gerardo Ruiz: Jim & Mandy Derington - \$125, Kent & Glenda Guthrie - \$500, Bill & Ginger Pittman - \$250, Foundation - \$1125 = \$2000

Reyna Ruiz: Jim & Mandy Derington - \$125, Kent & Glenda Guthrie - \$500, Bill & Ginger Pittman - \$250, Foundation - \$1125 = \$2000

Cayla Smith: Jason Cantrell - \$250, Hi-Pro Feeds - \$700, Spearman ISD Faculty & Staff in Memory of Alice Goodman & Rich Melton - \$100, Foundation - \$950 = \$2000

Si Li (Joanne) Tang: Carl M. Archer Estate Partnership - \$500, Foundation - \$1500 = \$2000

SHS Scholarships

Blayne Baker: Cargill Community Scholarship - \$1000, Hansford County 4-H - \$500, Lynx and Lynxette Booster Club - \$500, National Federation of Independent Business, Young Entrepreneur Foundation - \$1000, Samson Resources Dependent Education Program - \$4000 (renewable for 4 years), South Plains College John L. and Vergie Belle Smallwood Scholarship - \$1000, US Custom Harvesters Incorporated - \$1000

Blaine Allen Barton: Lynx and Lynxette Booster Club - \$500

Austin Ford Benton: Hansford County 4-H - \$500, Lynx and Lynxette Booster Club - \$500, Panhandle Plains Student Loan Center - Financial Aid Night - \$200, South Plains College John L. and Vergie Belle Smallwood Scholarship - \$1000

Kimberly Jean Bergan: Lynx and Lynxette Booster Club - \$500, Spearman High School National Honor Society - \$300

Amy Lee Boyd: 2008 Lions Club Queen Scholarship Pageant 1st Runner Up (Dalhart, Texas) - \$500, Lynx and Lynxette Booster Club - \$500, McMurry University, Deans Discretionary Scholarship - \$1000 (renewable), McMurry University Scholars - \$7000 (renewable), 2008 Miss Irish Rose Scholarship Pageant Winner (Shamrock, Texas) - \$1000, 2007 Miss Irish Rose Scholarship Pageant 2nd Runner Up (Shamrock, Texas) - \$500, 2007 Farm Bureau Queen - \$250, Spearman Lions Club Sweetheart - \$250

Brittney Irene Bradley: Karl A. Nielsen and Sister Karen J. Nielsen Memorial (Administered by First State Bank) - \$1112.70, Lynx and Lynxette Booster Club - \$500, Spearman High School National Honor Society - \$300, Texas A & M General Scholarship - \$5000

Amy JoAnne Brown: Lynx and Lynxette Booster Club - \$500, West Texas A & M University, Art Department Scholarship - \$1500 (renewable)

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Mattie Beatrice Davis: Choctaw Indian Nation Scholarship - \$2000 (renewable), High Plains A & M Club - \$500, Lynx and Lynxette Booster Club - \$500

Jessica Janet Diaz: Lynx and Lynxette Booster Club - \$500, Panhandle Plains Student Loan Center - Financial Aid Night - \$200, West Texas A & M University Residential Hall Scholarship - \$1000 (renewable for 4 years)

Jeremiah Jordan Frost: United States Army Montgomery GI Bill - \$53,136

Dane Harbour: North Plains Electric Cooperative - \$1000

Claribel Hernandez: Frank Phillips College Access Scholarship - \$400

Kylee Rujan Howard: Garrett Rex Memorial - Sponsored by the Junior Lynxettes - \$500, H & H Federal Credit Union - Frank Lewis Memorial - \$1000, Lynx and Lynxette Booster Club - \$500, Spearman Classroom Teachers Association - \$250, West Texas A & M University Top Scholar Presidential Scholarship - \$1000 (renewable for 4 years)

Clara Elaine Kern: Angelo State University, Carr Academic Scholarship - \$4500 (renewable for 4 years), Angelo State University Chemistry Scholarship - \$1000 (renewable), Angelo State University Davenport Scholarship - \$750, Angelo State University Performing Arts Scholarship - \$4000, Evelyn May and Robert Wayne Gilpatrick Trust (Administered by First State Bank) - \$2156 (renewable), Lynx and Lynxette Booster Club - \$500, Marjorie Urban Memorial Scholarship - \$1000, 2007 Miss Hansford County Scholarship Pageant 1st Runner Up (Women's Division of the Spearman Chamber of Commerce) - \$800, Texas Education Agency Highest Ranking Graduate - Tuition at any Texas university for one year

Christy Jo Lang: Garrett Rex Memorial, Sponsored by the Junior Lynxettes - \$500, Lloyd Lynn Buzzard Memorial Scholarship - \$500, Lynx and Lynxette Booster Club - \$500, Oklahoma Panhandle State University Education Incentive Award - \$300, Oklahoma Panhandle State University Foundation Joe and Margie Lawson Lane Scholarship - \$550,

Oklahoma Panhandle State University Foundation Hazel Williams Scholarship - \$1250, Oklahoma Panhandle State University Athletic Scholarship for Women's Basketball - \$1500 (renewable), Oklahoma Panhandle State University - Out of state tuition waiver, Oklahoma Panhandle State University Tuition Waiver - \$300, Spearman Classroom Teachers Association - \$250

Jesus Guillermo Moreno: United States Army Montgomery GI Bill - \$57,636

Colby Dean Odegaard: Big Brothers/Big Sisters of the Texas Panhandle, BIGS in School Program - \$325, Holt Extension Club - \$500, Lynx and Lynxette Booster Club - \$500, Oklahoma Christian University Pass Academic Scholarship - \$4000 (renewable for 5 years)

Heriselda Perez: Gladiola Flower Club - \$1000

Kyla Shea Reed: Lynx and Lynxette Booster Club - \$500, PTCI - \$1000

Kaci Nicole Renteria: Boss Automation - \$500, Deakin Electric - \$500

JJ Rojas: Garrett Rex Memorial, Sponsored by the Jr. Lynx - \$500, Lynx and Lynxette Booster Club - \$500

Justine Kay Rosales: Amarillo Fine Arts Association - \$600, Weatherford Oil Company Scholarship - \$2000, West Texas A & M University Fine Arts Department - \$4000 (renewable)

Kendall Jo Schneider: Lynx and Lynxette Booster Club - \$500

Tara Luann Shields: Cougar Pride Scholarship, Pringle-Morse Booster Club - \$500, Hansford County 4-H - \$500, Karl A. Nielsen and Sister Karen J. Nielsen Memorial (Administered by First State Bank) - \$1112.70, Lynx and Lynxette Booster Club - \$500, West Texas A & M University Residential Hall Scholarship - \$1000, West Texas A & M University Institutional Scholarship - \$1000.00 (renewable)

Maegen Nicole Smith: Hardin-Simmons University Academic Scholarship - \$5000 (renewable), Life Pacific College Travel Scholarship - \$250, Wayland Baptist University Music Major Scholarship - \$8000

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HELP WANTED: The Hansford County Sheriff's Office has an opening for a jailer/dispatcher. Must have a high school diploma or GED. Apply at Sheriff's Office, 806-659-4140. TFN(4-17-08)B

HELP WANTED: First State Bank has a position open for an Assistant Chief Financial Officer/Compliance Officer. Required is a degree in Accounting or Finance and some experience. Prefer the applicant having gone to Graduate School of Banking or Bank Compliance School. Job includes accounting, board reports, accounts payable, operations, compliance monitoring and reporting and additional management responsibilities if qualified. Some training available. Apply with Clay Schnell at First State Bank, 1 NE Court, Spearman, TX 79081 or call 806-659-5565. An Equal Opportunity Employer. 2(6-26-08)B

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LEGAL NOTICE

Hansford County Commissioners' Court will receive bids until 4:00 on Friday, July 11, 2008 to paint the District Courtroom and to install new carpet. Bids should be submitted to the Hansford County Judge's office, 16 Northwest Court, Spearman, Texas 79081-2052. Please contact County Judge for specifics.

Bids will be opened on Monday, July 14, 2008 during the Commissioners' Court meeting in the Law Library of the Hansford County Courthouse, Spearman, Texas. Meeting will begin at 10:00 a.m.

Hansford County reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids.

Benny Wilson
Hansford County Judge
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Hansford County Judge
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Hansford County Hospital District is seeking bids for its partially self-funded health insurance plan for its employees. Anyone interested in a bid package or for information should contact Scott Beedy at Hansford Hospital, 707 S. Roland, Spearman, TX 79081, phone 806-659-2535 or email at scotbeedy@hchd.net. Bid deadline is August 19, 2008. 2(7-10-08)B

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Out at the Lake

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Jim Derington took this picture of a mule deer buck in velvet recently at Lake Palo Duro.

July 7, 2008
Lake level - 15.67 feet

The Fourth of July holiday is normally the second busiest weekend at Lake Palo Duro, just behind the Memorial Day holiday. A number of visitors enjoyed the lake and camp grounds. Unlike previous holidays however, there was room for more. Twelve camping sites, with RV hookups, were occupied. (We have thirty-seven sites.) I think with more water in the lake, and possibly a fireworks show, many more would enjoy their holiday here.

Lorissa Buschman, daughter of Terry and Sherri, was riding her horse recently, and encountered a mountain lion. She was west of their house, and saw something out of the corner of her eye. She thought it was probably a deer, but realized it was a mountain lion. It appeared to have blood around its mouth, as if recently eating something. She said her horse definitely

sensed something, but did not spook. Lorissa eased away from the cat, and went home. She said she will continue to enjoy riding her horse in the future.

The picture this week is of a mule deer buck in velvet. The small, young bucks can be seen more often, than the older bucks. I just get a glimpse of the good ones, usually. Most of the time, they disappear before I can get a camera ready. My excitement of getting a good picture, never gets old.

I know that each of you enjoy the articles that

Dorothy writes. I debated on whether to pat her on the back, in public, but you should know. Dorothy bought the first digital camera, that I have used for years. Recently, she made it possible to upgrade to a newer, better camera. Dorothy also bought the spotting scope that can be used by all of us, at the office. Dorothy has a keen sense of all that nature has to offer, and as you can see, she wants to share it with us. Thank you, Dorothy, from all of us!

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Ralston Selected for TALL Program

The Texas Agricultural Lifetime Leadership program has announced the 24 members of its newest two-year class, according to Dr. Jim Mazurkiewicz, the program's director. The leadership development program of the Texas AgriLife Extension Service, called TALL, is designed to help participants reach their full potential as the next generation of leaders, he said.

Members of the newest class, the 11th in the program's history, will attend eight sessions over two years. They also will travel throughout Texas, as well as visit Washington, D.C., New York, Mexico, Russia and Poland.

"By participating in these seminars, we hope class members broaden their views and vision of agriculture on the state level, as well as internationally," Mazurkiewicz said. "We stress that we are in a global agriculture economy and that agriculture is diverse. We challenge TALL participants to continue their education and to encourage them to take leadership roles in local, state and national positions."

- Rex Ralston of Gruver, Ralston Land and Cattle is a member of Class XI.

For more information about the leadership program, see <http://tall.tamu.edu> or call 979-845-1554.



"Preparing men and women in agriculture for leadership responsibilities."

Texas Agricultural Lifetime Leadership is a competitive leadership development program that includes seminars with experts, on-site tours, meetings with business and government leaders, international study and personal skills improvement. It is funded by dedicated individuals and institutions through private gifts and grants. Participants pay a tuition, and the Texas Cooperative Extension provides administrative support.

The TALL program is designed for men and women in the early stages of their leadership careers. Each class consists of at least 25 people, who are associated with agriculture. Participants come from every sector of agriculture and all parts of Texas.

For agriculture to remain dynamic, well informed leaders must emerge. The Texas Agricultural Lifetime Leadership (TALL) program prepares young men and women, dedicated to agriculture, for the leadership challenges ahead.

Holt Cattle Company Joins American Angus Association

Holt Cattle Company, Gruver, Texas, is a new member of the American Angus Association®, reports Bryce Schumann, chief executive officer of the national breed registry organization in Saint Joseph, Missouri.

The American Angus Association, with more than 36,000 active adult and junior members, is the largest beef cattle registry Association in the world. Its computerized records include detailed information on nearly 16 million registered Angus.

The Association records ancestral information and keeps production records on individual animals for its members. These permanent records help members select and mate the best animals in their herds to produce high quality, efficient breeding cattle which are then recorded with the American Angus Association. Most of these registered Angus are used by the U.S. farmers and ranchers who raise high quality beef for U.S. consumption.

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The Hansford County Reporter-Statesman would like to thank those who are actively serving in the military.

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