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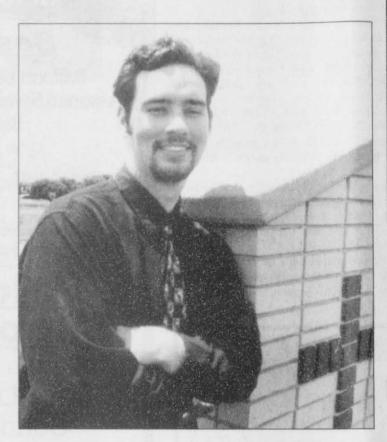
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Varnon Receives Scholarship

Eric Varnon, son of Allen and Peggy Varnon and a 1997 graduate of Spearman High School, was awarded the Marjorie Urban Memorial Scholarship for the 1999-2000 school year in the amount of \$1,000. Eric is a junior at Sterling College in Sterling, Kansas where he is majoring in both Religious and Philosophical Studies and Christian Education, with a minor in History. He is also a member of the Sterling Warriors track team, a member of the Orientation Core Staff, STEP mentor (Sterling Transitional Education Program), head of Youth Partnerships (which provides ministry to area youth outside the campus) and the advisory board for Crossroads, the new coffeehouse in the city of Sterling. Eric serves the Forest Park Presbyterian Church in Hutchinson, Kansas as a parttime youth director and works on campus as well. Eric plans to attend seminary school once he graduates from Sterling College and hopes to work in the youth ministry field upon completion of his education.

Marjorie Urban Scholarship was established in 1991 by Mrs. Urban's family, students and friends. It provides a scholarship to a resident of Hansford, Lipscomb or Ochiltree county who plans to attend any United States



accredited junior college or university and major in music or religion. The selection committee is made up of school, church and community members in the Perryton area and is administered by the Amarillo Area Foundation. Mrs. Urban was a long-time Perryton resident who was very active in her community and church. She at First Christian Church, was an organist and Sunday School Teacher at the First October 10th. Sunday services Christian Church of Perryton, begin at 10:50 a.m., and everyfor over 40 years.

Ben Harris of Gruver was the recipient of the scholarship for the past two years.

Eric is currently receiving the Timothy Scholarship, sponsored by the First Christian Church of Spearman which is selected for a student who is seeking a career in ministry.

Eric will be the guest speaker Spearman, this one is invited to come hear Eric's message at that time.



National 4-H Week

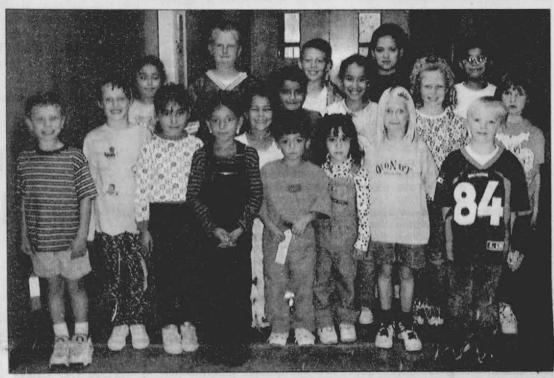


National 4-H Week celebrates the accomplishments of 4-H youth during the week of October 3rd-9th. Through 4-H over 400 Hansford County boys and girls have discovered over the past year to turn their time into productive projects, and to build strong family relationships.

Through learn - by - doing programs in community clubs and school curriculum enrichment projects, 4-

H helps boys and girls establish real-life goals and skills, and become competent, productive, citizens. Adult and teen leaders help with local projects including lamb, swine, beef livestock judging, foods, clothing, photography, share-the-fun and dog care & training. 4-H youth may apply for three local scholarships given each year. Participation in the 4-H program is voluntary and open to interested boys and girls in grade 3 through age 19, regardless of race, color, creed, sex, national origin or handicap. Youth may join 4-H at any time during the year, but sheep and swine must be purchased and validated by December 1st.

For more information about 4-H contact the County Extension Agents Burt Williams or Peggy Winegarner at 659-4130 or 733-2901. The 4-H office is located in the Hansford County Courthouse base-



Pictured above are the winners of the Spearman Volunteer Department's Fire Safety Poster Contest They are: (Front, L-R) Dakota Cator, Kindergarten; Savannah Jones, 1st Grade; Lizett Ortiz, 2nd Grade; Leslie Hernandez, 1st Grade; Veronica Davila, 2nd Grade; Rhett Link, Kindergarten; Cassie Bowers, Kindergarten; Tylo Farrar, Kindergarten; and Jefferey Thomas, Kindergarten; (Back, L-R) Sabrina Cantu, 3rd Grade; Drifton Roberts, 5th Grade; Marcus Ochoa, 4th Grade; Ryan Ramon, 5th Grade; Jessica Diaz, 4th Grade; Wilma Macias, 5th Grade; Courtney Evans, 3rd Grade; Jesse Moreno, 3rd Grade; and Kalie Oltman, 1st Grade

"How To Deal With Difficult People"



Dr. Paul Matney

Spearman. This program past 20 years. is being co-sponsored by the O'Loughlin Center Hospice.

Paul Matney

Division hear Dr. Paul Matney Language, present "How To Deal Communication and Fine University. His doctorate How to Deal with with Difficult People" on Arts at Amarillo College is in higher education Difficult People and Thursday, November 4, where he has also taught and mass communication Public Speaking and at 7:00 p.m. in the mass media and speech from Texas O'Loughlin Center in communication for the University.

and the Hansford degree from the University of Texas at KAMR-TV. Austin and a Master of serves as Chairman of Arts degree in Speech workshops and seminars

of Communication from on Media Violence and West Texas Tech

Matney spent 19 years Dr. Matney has a as a television weather-Bachelor of Journalism caster, first with KVII-TV and later with

Dr. Matney conducts

State its Affects on Children; Interpersonal Communication Strategies.

Please plan to attend this very informative program on "How to Deal with Difficult People".

SHS Students Of The Month

The Students of the Month at Spearman High School for the September are Amber Ramon and Evan Cudd.

Amber is the daughter of Tindle and Kristi Ramon.

She is the 1999-2000 Spearman Lions Club Sweetheart and is the head cheerleader for the Spearman Varsity Cheerleaders. As a junior she was on the Varsity Basketball team, the All-Academic District, received the World History and Debate awards, placed 1st in Persuasive Speaking and qualified for Regionals. She also participated in the SHS production of Grease as Cha-Cha, and the UIL play Playing for Time, which received 3rd place in district competition.

As a sophomore she received the World Geography and Spanish I awards, and as a freshman she received the Public Speaking award and placed 5th in Informative Speaking, qualifying for regionals

Amber plans to be very successful. After high school, she hopes to attend Oklahoma State University in Stillwater and major in either pre-law or political science. Eventually (after college) she hopes to

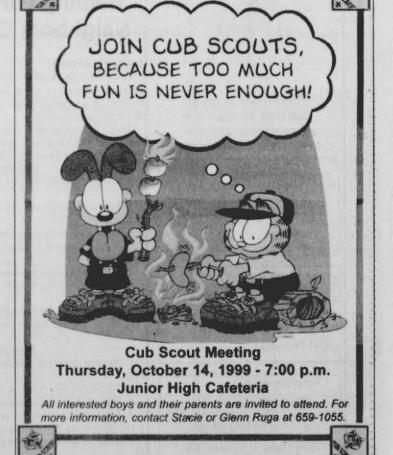
Evan is the son of Mike and Pat Cudd.

Evan has been a manager for football for four years and a manager for basketball for two years. He has been a member of the National Honor Society for three years, selected for Who's Who Among American High School Students of two years, is in the Distinguished Achievement Program, has been on the All-Academic All-District in Athletics for four years, has a 4.173 GPA, and was selected as the Junior Class Favorite.

Evan plans to attend Texas Tech University for one year, and then transfer to Texas Christian University. He hopes to tour Europe as a foreign exchange student. He plans to major in business relations and minor in Spanish.



Amber Ramon and Evan Cudd



NOTICE

The Hansford County Reporter-Statesman office will be closed on Thursday and Friday. October 14th & 15th for vacation.

The deadline to submit information for the October 14th issue will be 12:00 noon on Monday, October 11th. (The office will be open on Friday, October 8th.)

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 659-3434. Thank you, Catherine Smith.

October 4

Birthday - Debbie Garrett, Jan Stedje, Pam Stork, Abbi Yanke, Johnson. Theresa Gresset, Monty Hawkins, Karl Smith, Kandy Martin, Adam Red Bennie Brogdan,

Francisco Borunda Anniversary - Mr. & Mrs. Craig Vinson, Mr. & Mrs. Omar Cotter, Mr. & Mrs. E.J. Callaway Jr., Mr. & Mrs. Andres Rodriquez

October 5

Birthday - Ernistina Salgado, Richard Lesly, Sue Felder, Kelly Shieldknight, Gladys McIntyre, Carl Kizzar, Glenda Johnson, Kermit Boone, Kelly

October 6

Birthday - Regina Barkley, Nell Evans, Doug Ferguson, Theron Pack, Brooke Mayfield, Janet Williams, Donna Burk, Myra Berner, Kenneth Brown, John Nichols, Adina Garza, Carrie McLain, Paulette McLain, Laxson, Haley Pletcher

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

Anniversary - Mr. & Mrs. Rodney Dale Clawson, Mr. & Mrs. Hack B. Johnson October 8

Birthday Harvey Atwood, Casdorph, Candice Wilma Evans, Amber Gross, Holland, Tambra Seal, Letha Stewart, Kimberly Wagoner, Debbie Avila, William Jarvis, Paulina Nava, JoAnn Eaton, Bert Wofford, Maria Gonzales, Steven Flowers, Kathy Gillispie, Ella Raye Carter, Jill Hodge

Anniversary - Darrel & Linda West, Mike & Pat Cudd

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

Anniversary - Steve & Sheri Benton, Mr. & Mrs. David

October 10

Birthday - Matthew Brown, Jake Barkley, Kim Blevins, Steve Duncan, Jase Rudolph, Darrell Scroggs, Sherri Cook, Don McLain, Kortny Henton, Edwin Molina, Gary Flowers, Maribel Moreno, Mike Darnell, Jesse Tindell, Cason Finley, McCaully Jo Hart, Verlin Hagerman, Lyn Woolley, Toby Thomas

Anniversary - Mr. & Mrs. Mario Molina, Mr. & Mrs. Darrell Messer

October 11

Birthday - Marco Favela, Doug Frick, Kadie Grotegut, Rod Holland, George C. Lowe, Jim Ratliff, Eleanor Davis, Latham, Mathews, Sonny Nollner, Kathy Lou Biggs, Sara Williamson, Jimmie Harris, Jim Ladd, Eddie Largent, Daniel Gonzales, Dick Smith, Jimmie Harris, Rosa Jason Blan, Adam Ferguson

Anniversary - Mr. & Mrs. Del Roy Gammon

October 12

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

Anniversary - Mr. & Mrs. Mack McLain, Mr. & Mrs. Mike Yanke

October 13

Birthday - Hunter Novak, Andrea Mires, David Grotegut, Carrie Close, Burnell Kjos, Mrs. Albert Hahn

Anniversary - Mr. & Mrs. Jon Jarvis, Mr. & Mrs. Don Evans October 14

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

Anniversary - Mr. & Mrs. Bert

Our Deepest Sympathy

Julian Joseph (Jay) Pio

Julian Joseph (Jay) Pio, 71, well-known Hardesty, OK resident, died Saturday morning, October 2, 1999 at Baptist St. Anthony's Hospice in Amarillo, TX

The son of Hazel (Button) and Clarence Pio, he was born February 12, 1928 near Alta Vista, KS. He served two years in the United States Amy in Korea and was married to Betty Wilkerson in 1948. The Pio family moved to the Hardesty area in 1956. Betty passed away in January of

Jay retired from Panhandle Eastern Pipeline after 37 years in 1985. He served on the Hardesty Rural Water Board from 1966-1988 and served on the Hardesty Town Council from 1974 to 1991. He was a member of the Hardesty United Methodist Church. Jay married the next love of his life, Virginia "Ginia" Gum on February 9, 1986 and from this union, he gained 5 step children and eleven step grandchildren.

Survivors include his wife, Virginia Pio, of the home in Hardesty; two daughters, Sue and husband, Dale Lively, who live south of Booker, and Julie and husband, Daryl Donnelly of Hampton, GA; a son, Doug Pio and wife, Evelyn, of Guymon; a brother, Dean Pio and wife, Judy, of Council Grove, KS; six grandchildren and seven great- grandchildren; five stepchildren, Bruce Gum and wife, Sharon, of Guymon, Jerry Gum, and wife, Tammy, of Hardesty, Carolyn and husband Jeff Whiteside, of Amarillo, Shirley and husband Ball Smith, of Elk City, OK, and Ted Gum and wife, Moni, of Gruver, TX; and eleven step-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Betty, his parents, a brother, a sister and a granddaughter.

Funeral services were conducted on Tuesday morning, October 5th at 10:00 a.m. at the Hardesty High School Auditorium with Rev. Don Calvert, pastor of Hardesty United Methodist Church, officiating. Interment followed in Hartville Cemetery under the direction of Henson-Novak Funeral Directors of Guymon

A Jay Pio Memorial has been established for the Hardesty United Methodist Church or Hartville Cemetery. Memorials will be accepted at Henson-Novak Funeral Home, Box 1306, Guymon, OK 73942.

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We wish to thank everyone who has given flowers, food, cards, visits, calls, prayers, prayer-grams, and rides to the doctor's appointments. We appreciate all of these things that were given during and following Roscoe's heart surgery

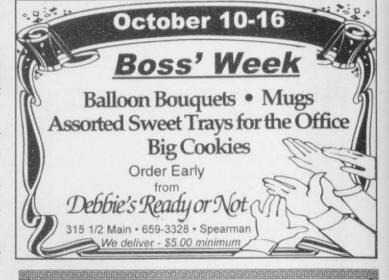
Thank you, again. Roscoe & Marguerite Nelson

Thank You

To the Gruver Fire Department:

Thank you to all who successfully thwarted my attempt to burn my prinkler system. In particular, I wish to thank Wes Babbs, Marvin Sparks, Robert Blevins, Wayne Kruse, Lynn Boyd and Kyle McNett. I pray I am not amiss in naming all who came to my rescue. We are blessed to have a quality fire department manned by competent, trained. and willing volunteers. Thanks again, and see you next year.

Anonymously, Billy Blankenship



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Hansford Hospice Highlights Helping Family, Friends & **Neighbors Cope With Loss**

by Rev. Ken Cole

Loss through death is common among us and there is the common thread of grief with which we all have to cope. Following are some steps that can be taken when there is a death in the community

These are excerpted from "What To Do When Someone Dies" by Buz Overbeck and Joanie Overbeck by TLC Group Publications for Transition, Loss, and Change Dallas, Texas. Before the Funeral:

a. Offer to notify family and friends about funeral arrangements b. House-sit to prevent burglaries during the funeral and vis-

c. Help with answering the phone and greeting visitors d. Keep a record of everyone who calls, visits or has been

contacted e. Help coordinate the food and drink supply f. Offer to pick up friends and family at the airport. Arrange housing

g. Offer to provide transportation for out-of-town visitors h. Help keep the house clean and the dishes washed

After the Funeral:

a. Prepare or provide dinner on a day that is mutually accept-

b. Do Step a. every week for two to three months c. Offer to help with yard chores such as watering or pruning

d. Feed and exercise the pets, if any e. Write notes offering encouragement and support

f. Offer to drive or accompany him to the cemetery regularg. Offer to house sit so he can get away or visit family out of

h. Make a weekly run to the grocery store, laundry, or cleani. Help with the Thank You notes and/or other correspon-

j. Anticipate difficult periods such as anniversaries, birthdays, holidays, and the day of death

k. Always mention the deceased by name and encourage eminiscing Above all, just listen. Your concern and presence will help.

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For more information, contact your local Hospice organization at 659-2535.

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Sun. Eve./Youth: 6 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Mtg: 7 p.m.
Ved. Children's Choir. 7 p.m.
Pastor - Edward Owens

First Assembly of God 401 N. Bernice • 659-2295 Sunday School. 9:30 a.m. Worship: 10:35 a.m. Evening Worship: 7 p.m. Wed. Worship: 7:30 p.m. Youth: 7:30 Wednesday Pastor - Walter Greaser, Jr.

First Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)
29 S. Bernice • 659-2036
Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.
Worship: 10:50 a.m.
Evening Bible Study
Worship: 6:30 p.m. Sun.
Minister - Joseph Weaks

First Baptist Church
123 N. Bernice • 659-5557
Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.
Worship: 11 a.m.
Evening Worship: 7 p.m.
Wed. Fellowship Meal: 6 p.m.
Wed. Post. Time: 6:30 p.m.
Wed. Youth Mtg. 8 p.m.
Pastor - Rick Patrick
Youth/Ed. Min. - Brian Foster

Church of Christ
121 S. Haney - 659-3244
Sunday Bible Class: 9:45 a.m.
Worship: 10:30 a.m.
Evening Worship: 6 p.m.
Bible Study Wed: 7:30 p.m.
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Minister - Leonard Harper

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Worship Service & Church: 10:30 a.

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First Presbyterian Church (Worships with Lutheran) 1021 Cotter • 659-2033 Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. at Lutheran Church Worship: 11 a.m. (alternates monthly between Lutheran &

Faith Lutheran Church (ELCA) 1101 Bernice • 659-2252 (Worships with First Presbyterian Church)

First United Methodist 407 S. Haney • 659-5503 Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Worship: 8:30 & 11 a.m. Jr. High Youth: 5 p.m. Sunday High School: 6 p.m. Sunday Kids Club: 3 p.m. Wed. Pastor - Ken Cole

Union Church
31 S. Endicott • 659-2644
Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.
Worship: 10:45 a.m.
Evening Worship; 6 p.m.
Bible Study: 7 p.m. Wed
Pastor - Bill Sparks

Fellowship Baptist 1102 S. Archer • 659-2783 Sunday School: 10 a.m. Worship: 11 a.m. Sun: Evening Worship: 6 p.m. Youth/Adult Serv.: 7:30 Wed. Pastor - Gene Foster

Primera Mision Bautista 502 E. 7th + 659-3991 Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Worship: 11 a.m.; Evening: 6 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meeting: 7 p.m. Thurs. Visitation: 7 p.m.

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First Baptist Church 402 E.Broadway • 733-2411 102 E.Broadway * 733-241 Sunday School: 9-45 a.m. Worship: 10:50 a.m. Disciple Training: 6 p.m. Sunday Prayer Meeting: 7-30 p.m. Wednesday Pastor - Scott Curry

Church of Christ 209 King • 733-2760 Sunday School: 9:30 a m. Worship: 10:20 a.m. Evening Worship: 6 p.m. Wed. Worship: 7:30 p.m.

First Christian Church 510 King • 733-2960 Sunday School: 10:00 a.m. Sunday Worship: 11 a.m. Youth: 7:30, Sunday Adult Bible Study: 7:30, Sun, Wed. Bible Study: 8:00 p.m. Pastor - Gary Gumfory

Oslo Lutheran Church 6 Miles West & 12 Miles North of Gruver 339-7709 Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Worship: 11 a.m.

Gruver United Methodist Broadway & Garrett 733-2651 Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Worship: 8:30 & 10:50 a.m. Eve. Worship & UMY: 6 p.m. Pastor - Jerry Moore

Spanish Cristo Redentor Church Sunday Mass 1:30 p.m. Friday Evening Mass Summer - 8:00 p.m. Fall/Winter - 7:30 p.m

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by Gary C. Smith qcs@arn.net



Several people have said that they really enjoyed last week's column, so I thought I would share a few more "Words of Wisdom" with you this week. These came from friend Christy Meador of

Dilbert's Words of Wisdom

I can only please one person per day. Today is not your day. Tomorrow is not looking good either.

I love deadlines. I especially like the whooshing sound they make as they go flying by.

Tell me what you need, and I'll tell you how to get along without it.

Accept that some days you are the pigeon and some days the statue.

Needing someone is like needing a parachute. If he isn't there the first time, chances are you won't be needing him again.

I don't have an attitude problem, you have a perception problem.

Last night I lay in bed looking up at the stars in the sky and I thought to myself, where the heck is the ceiling?

I don't suffer from stress. I am a carrier.

Do not meddle in the affairs of dragons, because you are crunchy and taste good with ketchup.

Never argue with an idiot. They drag you down to their level then beat you with experience.

If it wasn't for the last minute, nothing would get done.

When you don't know what to do, walk fast and look worried.

Following the rules will not get the job done.

Getting the job done is no excuse for not following the rules.

When confronted by a difficult problem you can solve it more easily by reducing it to the question, "How would the Lone Ranger handle this?"

> Until Next Time, May God Bless. GCS

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Kopke/Long Wed

Mark Kopke was married to Kimberly (Simpson) Long on Saturday, September 25, 1999. Vows were exchanged at 2:00 p.m. at Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church in Amarillo, TX

Parents of the groom are Harold and Delphine Kopke of Spearman. Parents of the bride are Ronald and Karen Simpson of Creston, Iowa. The maid of honor was the bride's sister, Debbie Thummell. The

bridesmaid was the bride's daughter, Jennifer. The best man was the groom's brother, Tex Kopke. The groomsman

was Erik Scarborough, the groom's nephew. The bride's nephews, Austin and Chase, were ring bearers, and her

niece, Sydney, was the flower girl.

The guest registrar was the groom's niece, Sheena Scarborough. The groom's sister, Cindy Scarborough, video recorded the wedding ceremony.

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HANSFORD HAPPENINGS

Covered Dish Agape Party

A Covered Dish Agape Party will be held on Sunday, October 10th at the First United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall following morning worship service. Anyone who has ever attended a Walk to Emmaus is encouraged to attend.

Musical Jam Sessions at Golden Spread Senior Center The Musical Jam Sessions at the Golden Spread Senior Citizens Center in Spearman will again be underway beginning Thursday October 7th. These sessions are open to everyone who plays an instrument, sings, or just enjoys listening. If you like to listen, sing-along, or just pat your foot to the music, you sill enjoy these jam sessions. The Golden Spread Senior Citizens invite everyone to join them at the Senior Citizens Center, 502 S. Brandt, from 7:00-9:30 p.m. the first Thursday of

Wesley United Methodist Church Festival of Arts & Crafts

each month. If you know musicians in nearby towns, please invite them

to participate. For more information, call Kathy at 659-3966.

The Wesley United Methodist Church will be honoring its 19th Annua Festival of Arts and Crafts on December 4, 1999 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Community Center in Hereford, TX. Only a limited number of booths are available, with applications being screened. Booth fee is \$10.00 Applications may be obtained by writing to Ellen Collins, 801 Miles St. Hereford, TX 79045 or call (806) 364-0774.

Holt Extension Club Taking Orders For Pecans

The Holt Extension Club is taking orders for pecans, cashews and walnuts Prices per pound are: pecans - \$5.00, cashews - \$4.50, and walnuts - \$3.50. There are 24 pounds to a case and orders are requested to be in half or full cases. (For smaller amounts, neighbors and friends may combine their orders.)

The deadline for ordering, accompanied by payment, is Saturday, October 16th. Orders may be submitted to any club member, or you may call June Jackson at 659-2384 or Audene Beck at 659-2020.

Kiva Shrine Stage Band To Perform In Gruver

The Kiva Shrine Stage Band, an 18-piece big band, will perform at the Gruver High school auditorium on Tuesday, October 12, 1999 at 7:00 p.m. The Kiva Shrine Stage Band has been rated as the number one stage band in the state of Texas. This event is being sponsored by the Gruver Music Club. There will be no charge for admission, however donations will be accepted. Proceeds will go to the travel fund for the Shriners Burn and Crippled Children's Hospital.

Spearman Health Fair
The 1999 Spearman Health Fair has been set for Thursday, November 4th, from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the O'Loughlin Center. The Health Fair is being sponsored by Hansford Hospital and the Golden Spread Senior Citizens. For more information, call Debbie Sanford at 659-2535, ext. 3302 or Kathy Bryant at 659-3866. Flu shots will be given.

"Cancer and the Hospice Patient"
Kathy Thomas, R.N., O.C.N., C.R.A. will present the Hospice program "Cancer and the Hospice Patient" on Monday night, October 11, 1999. at 7 p.m. in the Gruver State Bank Hospitality Room in Gruver. Kathy Thomas was the former director of the Clinical Research Department at the Harrington Cancer Center in Amarillo. The public is invited to attend this informative program.

4-H Smoked Meat Sale
4-H members across Hansford County are selling smoked meats for their annual fund raising efforts. Products available include smoked hams, turkey, peppered turkey breasts, sausage rings and sausage links. Funds benefit the awards program and recognition banquet for all 4-H members. Orders must be received by Tuesday, October 19th, with a delivery date before Thanksgiving. Please contact a 4-H member or call the County Extension Office at 659-4130 or 733-2901, to place your

Funding Still Available For Home Improvements

Texas State Affordable Housing Corporation, a Texas non-profit corporation, is continuing to implement the Texas Home Improvement Loan Program for low and very low-income residents of Texas. Funds are readily available to qualifying residents to improve the basic livability of their homes. Program Description: Maximum funding requests of \$23,000; Three percent (3%) amortizing loans are available; Zero percent (0%) deferred, forgivable loans are available to qualifying residents Texas State Affordable Housing Corporation will also pay for closing costs up to \$2000. The Home Improvement Loan Program will be avail-

State Affordable Housing Corporation at 1-888-638-3555, extension 423. Comprehensive Energy Assistance Program
Panhandle Community Services still has funds available in their Comprehensive Energy Assistance Program (CEAP) to help the elderly or disabled with utility bills. If you have received assistance this year through CEAP, you are not eligible. This program is offered to residents of Ochiltree, Lipscomb, Hansford and Hemphill counties. For more information or to schedule an appointment, call PCS, Johanna Dear at (806)

435-2478 in Perryton.

able through December 15, 1999. For more information, contact Texas

Lunch & Learn - "Floral Trends For Fall & Holiday Decorating" "Floral Trends for Fall & Holiday Decorating" will be the topic for Lunch Learn on Thursday, October 14th, from 12:00-1:00 p.m. at the Fellowship Hall of the Spearman Church of Christ. Tracy Bevill and Carrie Guthrie from "My Mother's Garden" in Gruver will present the program. Lunch & Learn is sponsored by Hansford County Extension Service. The program is free; donations for lunch are accepted. Cally Peggy Winegarner at 659-4130 or 733-2901 for more information.

Cub Scout Sign Up
The Cub Scout packs of the Golden Spread Council, BSA would like o extend an invitation to all boys, age 7 and up, to join the Cub Scout program. Cub Scouting is fun! But it is fun with a purpose. A meeting will be held on Thursday, October 14, 1999 at 7:00 p.m. in the Junior High Cafeteria. All interested boys and their parents are invited to attend. For nore information, please contact Stacie or Glenn Ruga at 659-1055.

4-H Foods Project

Youth in 3rd grade and older may sign up now for the 4-H Foods & Nutrition project. Skills in food preparation, menu planning and basic nutrition will be taught. Meetings will be held after school on designated days in Spearman and Gruver. Participants may also compete in the County and District Food Shows if they choose. Please call Peggy Winegarner at 733-2901 or 659-4130 for more information.

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Among The Neighbors

by Helen Fisher

Zetha Blackburn of Lubbock visited in Spearman last weekend with her daughter, Adriane Robison, and her mother Ora Lee Blackburn.

Recently Ora Lee and Adriane, and her three children, were in Lubbock as guests of Zetha. While there, they all attended the family reunion of Zetha's family at Littlefield. It has always been an occasion for much fun and fellowship, and Ora Lee has always enjoyed the reunions.

Next for Ora Lee was spending some time with her daughter, Bodil Bradley, of Hereford. During her stay, they attended a birthday party in Amarillo for Judy Hutchison of Clarendon.

Ora Lee was saddened by information from her daughter, Elaine in Kenai, Alaska, and some newspaper clippings regarding the death of a friend of theirs. While visiting in Alaska, Ora Lee often fished with this couple.

The man, 53, of Soldotna had gone alone on a short hunting trip and when he failed to return, an extensive air and ground search was made. He was found dead. fatally mauled by a bear.

There was no evidence of a struggle, but his head bore marks of the bear's jaws. Blood and hair samples were collected. There were two spent rifle cartridges at the campsite. The investigators were puzzled as to how he and the bear crossed paths. So far the bear has not been identified.

Another newspaper clipping from Elaine dealt with her doctor's ten year old daughter. She was pictured hospitalized with a broken leg, a hoof shaped cut on her leg that took 199 stitches, and hoof marks up and down her back. She had been stomped by a cow moese, which had charged her and another child picking berries. She was not injured fatally as she dropped into a ball which all children there are taught to do.

Elaine may be tempted to return to the much safer Panhandle.

Phyllis Owens returned on Monday from a week visiting her grandsons and great-grandson in the Dallas Area. She and Mrs. Maud Elliot of Kansas went down with Phyllis' son-in-law, Bill Elliot

of Amarillo. One grandson, Clint, is opening his first office as an optometrist in

Darrin, the other grandson, lives at Bedford. His 16 month old son kept both great-grandmothers highly entertained.

Leann and Bill Carson enjoyed a seven day cruise to the Caribbean,

week before last. They flew to Houston and boarded a cruise ship on a Norwegian line.

The Carsons spent some interesting and entertaining times at Cancun and Cozomel, Mexico and also at Rotan, Hondurous.

They were accompanied by Sid and Kelly Sawyer of Buffalo, OK. who are former residents of

It was interesting and reassuring to get the report of the drinking water quality for the City of Spearman. The municipal water system is recognized as a Superior Public Water System by the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission, after complete tests and analysis

Thanks to Shane Rich, Director of Public Works. It will be an impressive sight to see the old water tower tank on Kenneth street being replaced by a new one.

The 50th wedding anniversary of Ermal and J.T. Pond was commemorated by family members on Saturday afternoon, October 2nd, in Amarillo at the I.H.C. Rehab Center at 5601 Plum Creek Drive.

Mrs. Pond is in rehab, following surgery for a broken hip at Northwest Texas Hospital. She had tripped and fallen at Hansford Manor while visiting J.T. Pond, who is a resident of the Manor. This occurred on September 8th. She was taken by ambulance to Amarillo. She has been in IHC rehab for 20 days and expects to return to Spearman this week.

Attending the 50th observance were three of their four children and their families. David Bond of Perryton; Calvin Pond of Hutchison, Kansas and Patricia Pope of Amarillo.

A friend, Adalyn Barnes, of Spearman, also shared the occasion with them.

The Sunday Amarillo Globe-News, in the "Today" section, in a column by R. Packard, borrowed from Gary Smith's of last week. Packard admitted he had nothing for his own and gave Gary credit for it. It was funny last week and

still funny on Sunday. Also in the Sunday issue in the Word for Word column by Wylie a surprising note.

Now, really, Worley Smith, did you enjoy hearing Don R. Knox, Spearman, reciting Sonnet According to Wylie you did.

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home after a very close call which occurred week before last. He had been hospitalized here and was taken to a doctor's office in Amarillo preliminary to hospitalization. While there he was given a shot for infection, and suffered an immediate and strong allergic reaction. He was rushed by ambu-

lance to Baptist St. Anthony's, and

was in emergency for several

He was dismissed last Thursday and brought to Spearman. Sabrina Kathy Beebe, the daughter of Littles, came from Oklahoma City and was with them until Thursday.

Paul Hazelwood is in Baptist St. Anthony's and will be taking some treatments (the type is undecided at this writing). His wife, Betty, is staying with their daughter, Debbie, in Amarillo.

Mary Lou Wysong had a long awaited visitor this weekend when her son, Gary, had the opportunity to come to Spearman for the first time in four years. Gary, a driver for long distance contract hauling for Walmart, has a territory in the western states. However, he expects that to change soon to a Texas territory.

Gary lives in Stephenville, and usually loads out of Plainview.

LaDelle and Dallen Scroggs enjoyed a busy weekend when their son and daughter, Dariell and Julie, were here on fall break. Julie is a freshman at Oklahoma State University in Stillwater, and Dariell is a junior there.

Dariell is employed at Red Lobster after school. He, no doubt, was looking forward to a long weekend of "hanging out with the guys," but found himself on the business end of a power saw and long ladder. He was assisting his dad in a tree trimming chore (at which he is very proficient). His studies probably will be much more attractive to return to.

The weather records of Dwayne Smith reflect the highest temperature for last week to be the 1st of October at 94; the lowest on October 4th at 34; no moisture.

A misprint in last weeks item regarding donations made by Red China to political interest in the U.S. stated they were made to China; should have been made by

The Gruver

by Harletta Carthel

Cross Country Teams Compete at Wheeler

In the Wheeler Cross Country meet held on Saturday, Ricky Arreola, running for the Gruver boys team, recorded his best time of the season with a 17.52 on the three-mile course.

On the girls cross country team, Elizabeth Duncan was the first Gruver runner to complete the two-mile course with a 13.50 with Kari Maakestad on her heels with a 13.51.

Also making good runs for the Lady Hounds were Jenna Shoulders, 14.26, Bryn Lowe, 14.41, Kristina Christian, 14.52, Chrisoit Clift, 14.55, Kasey Cazares 15.30, Judy Luciano, 16.50, Sammi Johnson 16.58, and Ethel Flores 17.20. Amy Watley and Sarah Miser were not able to run at the meet.

Junior high girls and their times were Cassie Myatt 14.30, Teal Armes 16.22, Patricia Gaspar, 16.53, and Katie Jones 18.40. Not able to run for the junior high Lady Hounds were Carly Bryson, Yolonda Hernandez, Valerie Burnam, and Courtney Goad.

The cross country teams are slated to run at the Stratford Meet on Monday, October 13. The district cross country meet will be Monday, October 25 at Thompson Park in Amarillo.

Junior High Hosts Elections

After election campaigning and speeches, classes at Gruver junior High voted on officers for the school year.

Chosen by their peers were eighth grade- Jenny Hart, president; Cassie Myatt, vice-president; Bryson, And Carley secretary/treasurer.

Seventh graders elected were Laina Grotegut, president; Ben Williams, vice-president; and Valerie Burnam, secretary/treasur-

Sixth grade class officers are Jessica Vela, president; Samantha Myatt, vice-president; and Justin Horton, secretary/treasurer.

Serving as fifth grade officers are Mason Fletcher, president; Drew Grotegut, vice president; and Kellyn King and Victoria Vela, secretary/treasurer.

Reids Announce Birth Word has been received of the birth of Madalynn Marie Reid. The new little miss the the daugh-

ter of Warren and Jody (Martin)

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Gruver and the late Lynn Martin are grandparents of the new arrival. James Martin of Gruver is the great grandfather.

Get Well Wishes

Glade Johnson, the father of Gyene Spivey, has had health problems recently. He has improved but will be evaluated for possible heart blockage.

Jo Ayers has been in severe pain. Doctors are trying different medications to alleviate the problem.

Ina Soapes has returned home from her recent stay in Hansford

Verlon Duggan has returned home following his recent heart bypass surgery and is doing very

Davis Wins Again

Gerry Davis was awarded the Viewers' Choice Award for her Kansas City Star quilt she exhibited at the Bits and Pieces Quilt Show in Guymon of Saturday.

Davis's quilt was one of 100 quilts at the show. All of the quilts were new quilts which had never been exhibited before.

Gyene Spivey, also an accomplished quilter, presented a program at the event on ideas for making Millennium quilts.

The show was sponsored by the Panhandle Piecers Quilt Club of Guymon.

Open Houses Slated

Gruver Junior High will host an open house and mini-school schedule for parents on Tuesday, October 19, at 7:30 p.m. in the

junior high building. Gruver High School will host a parents meeting and mini-school schedule for parents on Tuesday, October 26, at 7 p.m.

New Student Registers

Kamber Gift of Dumas registered as a new student in Gruver Elementary. She is in Mrs. Reid's fourth grade class.

Dates to Remember

Monday, October 11 - Seniors to order invitations, caps, and gowns. Wednesday, October 13 - Cross Country at Stratford

Thursday, October 7 - junior high versus Claude, 4:30 p.m.,

Thursday, October 14 - Seventh grade/Stratford game, here 4:30 p.m. eighth grade at Booker 4:30 p.m., Perryton/junior varsity, here following seventh grade

Friday, October 15 - Booker, here 7:30 p.m. Fifth quarter at First Baptist Church

Saturday, October 16 -Region Marching Band Contest at Dick

Bivins Stadium in Amarillo. Monday, October 18

Information given on senior rings Tuesday, October 19 - Open house and mini-schedule at junior

Thursday, October 21 - Orders taken on senior rings

Monday, October 25 - District cross country at Amarillo

Tuesday, October 26 - High school open house and minischedule

We will be closed on Monday, October 11th in observance of



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Open Letter

On September 23, the Spearman Fire Department and Spearman EMS held a training exercise for their volunteers. Live, spontaneous, mock exercises are essential for educating our volunteer rescue personnel in dealing with hazardous conditions. Local citizens and family members of rescue personnel listening to scanners might have been alarmed to hear of fallen paramedics and firemen. We apologize for any anxiety this caused you but we think you will agree that thirty-six minutes of anxiety is better than years of sorrow due to the real loss of a loved one. If Spearman ever has a real incident similar to the one we engineered in this drill, we are much more prepared for it now.

We utilized many resources locally to coordinate this drill and would like to thank the following people for their donation of time, props, or technical expertise: David and Cyndi Pearson; all of the staff at Equity elevator including Brian Jones, Sandy Cummings, and Mark Murray Benny and Alvin Byers; Mrs. Pipkin's drama class including Jennifer Whitefield, Tashi Schumann, Amanda Thompson, Angela Pipkin, Cristy Alverado, and Haley Lombard; the City of Spearman including Robert Patrick and Juan Sotelo; and Sheriff R.L. McFarlin. We appreciate your efforts to make our area a safer place to live.

With great appreciation, Bret Burgin & Roger Close

Club News

Rho Rho

Rho Rho met in the home of Haley Shields on September 23rd. Haley Shields, the hostess, along with co-hostesses, Thedra Reynolds, Mika Gumfory, Shelley Womble, Jill Butler, Christy Temple, Melissa Donahue and Kelly Garnett cooked brisket, potatoes, salad, green beans and cheese cake. It was a wonderful meal.

The meeting was called to order by President, Melissa Sutterfield. We discussed fundraisers for the Halloween Carnival. Rho Rho voted to have a food and craft booth along with the fishing pond. We will also start a raffle for some lamps handpainted by Ashly Patterson.

We also introduced our new pledges: Brooke Green, Shonda Odegaard, Darla Younger, Shanna Kenney and Tabatha Thoms. They will make a super addition to Rho Rho.

After the business meeting, we all learned a few interesting things about each other. Thanks to Shelley Womble and Mika Gumfory we all know each other a little better.

The next meeting will be at the home of Jennifer Keim on October 14.

Gladiola Flower Club

The Gladiola Flower Club met on Thursday, September 16th in the home of Verna Brown with June Jackson presiding. Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

It was reported that Irene Snider would have her Doll House and Guest Cottage on the home tour.

Ann Flowers, Pam Schnell and Betty Davis were appointed to the nominating committee.

A very interesting program was given by Tracie Bevill and Carrie Guthrie. They demonstrated some floral arrangements and then presented them to club members.

Members enjoying the program and refreshments were: Dorothy Buzzard, Charlsie Baker, Virginia Head, June Jackson, Pam Schnell, Betty Davis, Virginia Trindle, Ann Flowers, Estelle Jackson, and Verna



50th Anniversary Celebration John and Edith Pipkin celebrated their 60th anniversary on Thursday,

September 23, 1999. John Pipkin and Edith Fullbright were married on September 23, 1939, at the Ochiltree County Courthouse in Perryton, TX, and a reception was held later at the Knox Pipkin farm outside of

John and Edith have lived in Spearman for the past 60 years. John was employed by the R.E. Lee Oil Company for a number of years, delivering butane to area farm families. During that time he farmed part-time. In the 1950s, he gave up driving a butane truck to farm full-time. When Richard graduated with an agricultural degree from WTSU, he joined his father in the farming operation in Hansford County. Edith is well-known in this are for expertise with a sewing machine. She sewed professionally from about 1959 until her stroke four years ago.

The Pipkin's are members of First Baptist Church. Their family includes four children: Yvonda and Larry Stokes of Amarillo, Pauline and Tom Mayes of Sparta, JN, Betty

and Barclay Clifford of Ingersoll, Ontario, Canada, and Richard and Lisa Pipkin of Spearman; ten grandchildren; and ten great-grand-

Yvonda and Larry Stokes, Chris Stokes, and Krystal and Kevin Hare and children, Morgan and Clayton, entertained John and Edith at a celebration dinner at the Palo Duro Supper Club on their

Out At The Lake

by Dorothy Hudson

Lake Depth-October 4, 1999-56.52 feet

The visitors at the Lake, other than the fishing regulars, have become more often retirees. For example, this week Jean and Clarence Zabel of Hitchland hosted the Family Camping Club, sponsored by the Family Camping Services Center in Amarillo. Thirteen RVs came with one couple coming Wednesday. Dominoes and a game similar to pitching washers (with tiny bean bags instead) were pastimes. They enjoyed seeing the big flocks of wild turkeys. Watching these large, clumsy birds fly up into big cottonwood trees to roost was an event for them.

These couples from Spearman were also weekend campers: the Coy Kellys, Lance Sniders, and Jim Morleys.

Jim doesn't report many migrating birds. There are more ducks now, and he is seeing a number of red-shafted flickers on both sides of the dam. One day last week the road over the dam and the surrounding areas were covered with migrating cliff swallows.

Jim Beeson, who lives in Spearman and works in Gruver, has brought a mounted walleye in

to be displayed in the office.

Sunday afternoon I had a call from Daniel and Anna Harris about a black bat that had flown into a window on the porch of their home on the Palo Duro. It was stunned but later managed to get on the grass. Daniel put a cardboard box over it to protect it. Later he found the bat hanging upside down, as bats do, from the inside top of the box. He moved the box to the picnic table but fixed it where the bat could get out when it was ready. After dark the bat crawled like a big black spider to the edge of the porch and zipped off into the night.

Although it is hard for me to think of bats being mammals, I knew the book The Mammals of Texas by Davis and Schmidly had a section on them. We have tentatively identified their bat as the Brazilian, Free-tailed Bat. The western sub-species of this bat hangs around all over Texas in the summer, but in the fall it heads to Mexico. Its pelage or fur is like black velvet, but the wings are almost transparent when stretched out. Sam Gruver, my authority on the mammals of Hansford County, says they are only seen occasional-

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Tri-State Fair Celebrates Work By 4-H Youth

Hansford County 4-H Youth entered projects at the 76th Tri-State Fair in Amarillo

This year the Panhandle 4-H Wheat Show was established to Kirby Jonson was 2nd High increase understanding of grain Individual, Kyna Shields - 6th, and quality through comparison of protein, mill and baking characteristics of the wheat varieties. David Pipkin represented Hansford County in this contest. The project opportunities included learning how environmental influences, such as weather and pests, affect wheat quality and value.

Christen Ferguson entered Banana Nut Bread in the Bake

Jessica Schmidt received blue ribbons in Textiles - sewing; Culinary - Canned Goods; and Best of Show in Ceramics. Evan Schmidt received Honorable Mention in Photography.

Tara and Tabitha Shields entered the Youth Lamb Show. Tabitha placed fourth in her class.

Bailey Reid entered the Youth Market Swine Show. He placed fifth in his class.

Youth placing in their Steer Show Class included: Kyna Shields - 1st, Tracy Brown - 2nd, Melody Shields - 8th, Bailey Reid

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- 4th, Kali Shields - 6th, and Travis Melody Shields - 8th, Brad Holt Brown - 3rd. 11th, and Dustin Mackie - 16th.

Hansford County 4-H won the Nick Slough was 1st High senior Livestock Judging Contest. Individual and Lance Williams 4th in the Junior Livestock judging COMING SOON!

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Superintendent's Corner

As we approach October the big ways; however, we as adults must event is Red Ribbon Week which is October 25-29, 1999. The purpose of this week is to focus on the dangers of drugs and staying drug free. Drugs are prevalent in our society and are even in Spearman, Texas. Yes, Spearman! It takes a village to raise a child. It takes all of us working together to help protect our children from this danger!

With the thought of the safety of our children, I have another concern. Dropping off and picking up students at the elementary school can sometimes be a hazard. I have received a couple of complaints from parents about unsafe conditions around the crosswalk and the student drop off area. We have a unique situation in front of the elementary school. You have some parents dropping off their children on the other side of the street and their children proceed across the street to the school using the crosswalk. You have another group using the drop off area adjacent to the sidewalk and the school. After these people drop off their kids, they must proceed through the crosswalk. I think you see the problem! We have excited children using the crosswalk, often times oblivious to the situations around them, and we have parents trying to leave the area also having to drive through the crosswalk. All of this creates an unsafe condition.

accept the ultimate responsibly. Often times after we drop off our kids we are in a hurry to either get to work or somewhere important. It only takes a second for an accident can happen. I have also been there, frustrated with my own kid for not being ready when I pull up to the school, maybe not even dressed, and cars stacking up behind me. When I pull out, the last thing on my mind is keeping a lookout for other children trying to get to school.

How can I help? One way is to make sure when you pull up to school that your child is ready, fully dressed, has his or her lunch money and their homework. It is not the time to make sure everything is well after you pull up to the curb. Do it before you get there. This way you don't feel rushed or frustrated and are better able to concentrate on the surroundings as you drive off.

Another problem, which compounds the situation, is that some parents use the drop off to park their car and escort their children into the building. This drop off is not a parking zone, and parents should not leave their car to go into the building. If a situation arises that your child needs help carrying something into the building, or you need to see a teacher, etc., you are asked to park your car Well, how can we resolve this in the parking lot. I have heard stoproblem? We can emphasize safe- ries of cars stacked up waiting on ty to our kids and to look both a parent to come back to their car.

This is not a matter of safety but of courtesy. Remember your time is no more important than other parent's trying to drop off their own child. It is my understanding that it is a city ordinance that the drop off area is not a parking zone, and individuals can be ticketed for not obeying the law.

These issues are all about the safety of our students. Slow down! Drive with caution! Be courteous! The safety of our children rests in the decisions you make!

Next week is National School Lunch Week. Did you know that we have thirteen employees working in two kitchens preparing breakfasts and lunches for our students? Did you know that we prepare about 500 hot meals each day? These cafeteria workers do an outstanding job! Oh sure, it is hard to please everyone since everyone has a personal taste on what they like or dislike. In some situations the food is not as good as the food mom makes. Well, whatever the situation, these cafeteria ladies strive to provide a balanced meal following certain dietary guidelines. They count fat grams in servings and are encouraged to provide more vegetables. These meals are the best deal in town. The cost is \$1.35 for elementary students, \$1.45 for junior high students and \$1.55 for high school students. Where else can you buy a meal for these prices? These ladies slave in a hot kitchen to provide your child with a quality meal. Often times they get no thanks! During this week, please join me in recognizing our food service workers for the service they provide to the children of Spearman ISD. I extend a special thanks to our Food Service Director, Bernice Flores, and the two campus managers, Marion Nollner and Sue Tindell and their

Lynx Come Up Short In Perryton

by Jeff Beedy

Spearman went to Perryton Friday night hoping to spoil their homecoming, but the Rangers had different ideas. It wasn't enough that they burned our yard signs in the bonfire, then they proceeded to burn us on the football field. Perryton was definitely ready to play last night. The Lynx also helped them out by turning the ball over five times as Perryton went on to win 34-10. This should be a wake up call for the Lynx as they get ready for district play next

Spearman received the opening kickoff, and Perryton took the wind, but the Lynx could not move the ball and had to punt to Perryton after going three and out. Perryton didn't do anything on their first possession as they had to punt after making one first down. On Spearman's next possession, the Lynx drove down to the Ranger 32 yard line. On 4th and 4 with 3:27 left in the first quarter, John Brock was piled up at the line of scrimmage and was stopped short of the first down, and the Rangers took over on downs. Perryton had 2nd and 5 on their own 29, when the quarterback fumbled the ball, and Spearman recovered on the Perryton 26 yard line. After several plays, the Lynx had a 4th and 8 from the 12 and decided to try a field goal. Teddie Whitefield 's 30 yard field goal was good and the Lynx led 3-0 on the first play of

the 2nd quarter. The Rangers had a big kick off return and ran it down to the Henton. Three plays later from the good and Perryton led 7-3. Spearman fumbled their next pos-

own 23 on their next possession, but on 3rd and 8, Aaron Winegarner was sacked and the Lynx had to punt. Winegarner had a booming punt of 70 yards that went into the end zone, and Perryton started from their own 20. Perryton never did waste much time in scoring. The first play from scrimmage, the Perryton running back ran 21 yards for a first down. The next play he rumbled 41 yards for another touchdown with 5:13 left in the half. The PAT kick was good and the score was 21-3.

Both teams were stopped short on their next possessions, but when Perryton had to punt on 4th down, the Lynx blocked the punt and recovered the ball at the Ranger 39 with 2:17 left in the half. Winegarner threw a middle screen to Dusty Barber on 3rd and 8 and he ran it down to the 21 and a first down. Two plays later, Winegarner threw a bullet to Henton at the 8 yard line and another first down with 1:08 left before half-time. The next play, John Brock ran up the middle for a touchdown, and the PAT kick by Whitefield was good and Perryton led 21-10. Time expired on Perryton's next possession, and that was the end of the first half.

Spearman just could not get much of anything going the second half. When they would, Perryton would either come up big or the Lynx would fumble and give the ball back to the Rangers. The

Rangers did add two more touchdowns in the second half as they upped the score to 34-10. The statistics were close, but the turnovers and mistakes absolutely killed the Lynx. That is all part of the game, and I just hope the Lynx learn from their mistakes. We are still very proud of you, and I guess it was time to give Perryton bragging rights for the first time in how many years?

The season starts over this week. and we want to wish you guys the best of luck in district. Get your heads on right and take one game at a time, and let's make a run at the playoffs. Lynx fans, be sure and continue to support these young men this week as they take on Boys Ranch at Lynx Stadium, Friday at 7:30.

Statistics Rushing

Winegarner 5-(-12 yds), John Brock 18-58 yds, Barber 14-72 yds, Henton 2-28 yds

Winegarner 9-18, 171 yds Receiving

Barber 4-49 yds, Jordan Brock 1-8 yds, Schoenhals 1-60 yds, Wilkerson 1-31 yds, Henton 1-

Total Offense Spearman 317 Perryton 299 Players of the Week

Offense -Defense -

Cross Country Results

submitted by Coach Kyle Short

The Spearman Cross Country teams competed in the Wheeler Cross Country Meet on Saturday, October 2nd. Listed below are the results.

Varsity Girls

Team Standings: Shamrock 1st, 39; Clarendon - 2nd, 93; Wheeler - 3rd, 98; Childress - 4th, 99; Groom - 5th, 126; Spearman -6th, 131. 12 teams competed, with a total of 98 runners.

Individual Standings: Chelsea - 6th, 13:19; Halee 8th. 13:20; Camille Beasley Smith - 38th, 14:11; Mindee Gillaspie - 40th, 14:12; Amber Ramon - 57th, 14:37.

We reached a team goal of finishing in the top half of the meet. The weather was cold and windy, but everyone reached a new personal best Chelsea and Halee medaled and all five gave a good

Varsity Boys

Team Standings: Quanay - 1st, 38; West Texas - 2nd, 48; Clarendon - 3rd, 73; Spearman -4th, 79. A total of 6 teams participated.

Individual Standings: Colton Miller - 5th, 17:03; Adam Cherry -21st, 18:28; Coley Griffin - 27th, 19:09; Randy Duffy - 29th, 19:23; Garrett Griffin - 32nd, 20:30.

Colton Miller medaled and ran his personal best. This was the first time the boys totals were kept and they did well.

Junior Varsity Girls Team Standings: Childress - 1st, time than her sister.)

56; Shamrock - 2nd, 65; Spearman - 3rd, 69. A total of six teams participated.

Individual Standings: Jessica Crossland - 4th, 14:16; Lucy Villa 7th, 14:24; Adrienne Simpson -27th, 15:22; Cheryl Gibson - 29th, 15:32; Tiffany Hendricks - 30th, 15:33; Monica Cantu - 33rd,

Everyone either reached a personal best time or was running their first meet of the year. Jessica and Lucy medaled. (Jessica's first race of the year.)

Junior High Girls

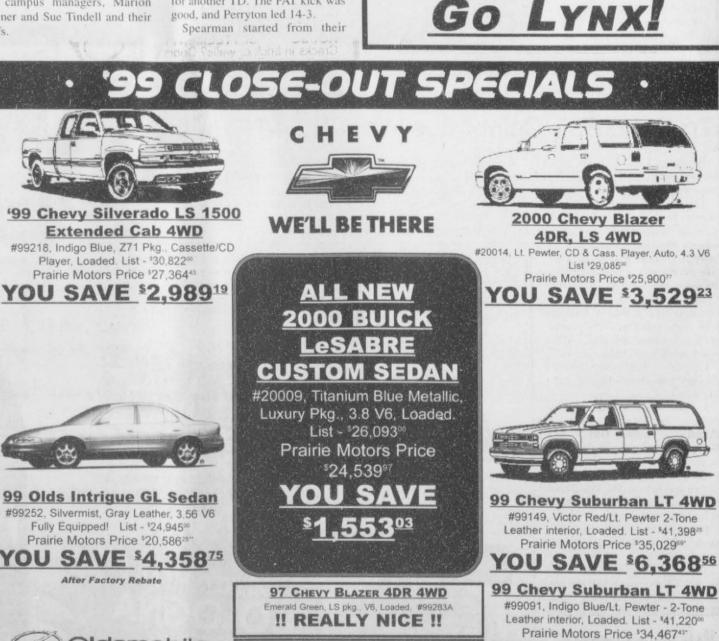
Team Standings: Wellington -1st, 47; Clarendon - 2nd, 90; Spearman - 3rd, 93. A total of 12 teams, with over 100 runners, par-

Individual Standings: Ashley Flowers - 4th, 13:36; Cayla Smith 11st 14:12: Jentry Edwards 15:03; Dana McLaughlin - 15:19; Mairia Davila - 15:25; Ashley Hernandez - 15:30; Sami Cazares - 15:34; Macy Harbour - 15:34; Dusty Payne - 16:05; Christen Ferguson - 16:16; Other runners -Felicia Martinez, Katie Reed, Miranda Paul, Rosilyn Bulls, Pamela Ochoa, Amanda Goodson and Jocelyn Baca.

This group was trying to win their first meet of the year and came up a bit short. The weather was bad and they showed a lot of grit to compete on a day like that. Ashlee and Cayla led the team with (Ashlee medaling and Cayla just missing a medal, and a bette

Spearman 12 yard line before being dragged down by Kelsey one yard line, the Ranger QB ran it over for the touchdown with 10:37 left in the half. The PAT kick was session and Perryton took over on the Spearman 40 yard line. On 1st and 15 after an illegal procedure call, the Perryton quarterback broke loose and rambled 45 yards for another TD. The PAT kick was good, and Perryton led 14-3. Spearman started from their







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Specifications are available in the County Judge's Office or the County Auditor's Office in the Hansford County Courthouse. The Court the Hallston Courthouse. The Count reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids. Jim D. Brown Hansford County Judge 3(10-7-99)B

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The State of Texas County of Hansford By virtue of Writ of Execution issued out of the Honorable United States Bankruptcy Court, Northern district of Texas, on the 29th of Texas, on the 29th of September 1999 by the Clark thereof, in the case of Plaintiff: National National Loan

Investors, L.P. Defendant Willard McCloy and Beatrice McCloy

Cause Number 298-21403-JCA-7, Adv. No. 2012, and to me, as Sheriff directed and delivered, I will proceed under

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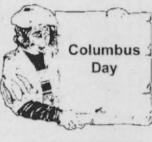
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Hotline at 1-800-426-4791. The public is invited to participate in an informative meeting about the City of Spearman's water system on December 21, 1999 at 7:30 p.m. in City Hall, 30 SW Court. For more information, you may call (806) 659-2524.

Definitions

Maximum Contaminant Level: The highest level of a contaminant in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technology.

MCLG -Maximum Contaminant Level Goal: The level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is not know or expected health risk. MCLGs allow for a margin of

Treatment Technique: A required process intended to reduce the level of a contaminant in drinking water.

Action Level: The concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow.

NTU - Nephelometic Turbidity

Whitson Honored At U

Tom Whitson, University of Wyoming Cooperative Extension Service weed specialist, recently received the Jim DeBree Excellence in Cooperative Extension Award. The award honors UW CES staff members who demonstrate exceptional service, dedication, and achievement in their area of expert-

Whitson's research focuses on controlling noxious weeds, such as Russian knapweed, leafy spurge, musk thistle, downy brome, and dal-

matian toadflax with perennial grasses. He has developed wildlife and livestock habitat areas by thinning big sagebrush to levels that benefit wildlife while enhancing grass production for livestock.

More than 80,000 copies of Whitson's book, Weeds of the West, have been sold and serve as a valuable resource for producers and others. The book's success has brought recognition to both Whitson's work and the University of Wyoming.

Tom is the son of Ruth Mary Whitson and the late Jack Whitson of

District Choir Auditions Held

District Choir auditions were held in Borger on Saturday, September 18, 1999. Out of 72 second sopranos auditioning, 20 were selected with two alternatives. From Spearman, Bethanie Flores earned 36th chair and Angela Pipkin earned 1st alternate.

In the second alto section, 20 were also chosen, with two alternatives. Laura Gillaspie earned 19th chair and will advance to the regional auditions at Randal High School in Amarillo on November 6th.

> We will be closed on Monday, October 11th in observance of





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Year	Constituent	Highest Level at Any Sampling Point	Range of Detected Levels	MCL	MCLG	Unit of Measure	Source of Constituent	
1997	Arsenic	3.6	2.5000- 3.6000	50	0	ppb	Erosion of natural deposits; Runoff from orchards; Runoff from glass and electronics production wastes.	
1997	Barium	0.077	0.0610- 0.0770	2	2	ppm	Discharge of drilling wastes; Discharge from metal refineries; Erosion of natural deposits.	
1997	Fluoride	1.6	1.6000-	. 4	4	ppm	Erosion of natural deposits; Water additive which promotes strong teeth; Discharge from fertilizer and aluminum factories.	
1997	Nitrate	4.25	1.9500- 4.2500	10	10	ppm	Runoff from fertilizer use; Leaching from septic tanks, sewage; Erosion of natural deposits.	
1997	Selenium	3.8	3.6000- 3.8000	50	50	ppb	Discharge from petroleum and metal refineries; Erosion of natural deposits; Discharge from mines.	
1997	Gross alpha adjusted	7.9	7.9000- 7.9000	15	0	pci/l	Erosion of natural deposits.	
1997	Combined Radium 226 & 228	0.31	0.3100- 0.3100	5	0	pci/l	Erosion of natural deposits.	
1997	Gross beta emitters	6.5	6.5000- 6.5000	50	0	pci/l	Decay of natural and man- made deposits.	

Organics - Not detected.

THM - Not detected.

Unregulated Contaminants - Not detected.

Turbidity - Not detected.

Lead and Copper

Year	Constituent	The 90th Percentile	Number of Sites Exceeding Action Level	Action Level	Unit of Measure	Source of Constituent
1996	Copper	0.4400	1	1.3	ppm	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; Erosion of natural deposits;

Unregulated Contaminants - Not detected.

Turbidity - Not detected.

Lead and Copper

Year	Constituent	The 90th Percentile	Number of Sites Exceeding Action Level	Action Level	Unit of Measure	Source of Constituent
1996	Copper	0.4400	1	1.3	ppm	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; Erosion of natural deposits;
						Leaching from wood preservatives.
1996	Lead	1.0	1	15	ppb	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; Erosion of natural deposits.

Total Coliform - Not detected.

Fecal Coliform - Not detected.

Violation Table - None.

NOTICE OF SPECIAL ELECTION (AVISO DE ELECCION ESPECIAL)

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

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

Notice is hereby given that the polling places listed below will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., on November 2, 1999, for voting in a special election to adopt or reject the proposed Constitutional Amendments as submitted by the 76th Legislature, Regular Session, of the State of Texas.

(Notifiquese, por las presente, que las casillas electorales sitados abajo se abriran desde las 7:00 a.m. hasta las 7:00 p.m. el 2 novembre de 1999 ra votar en la Eleccion Especial para adoptar o rechazar la enmiendas propuestas constitucional así como fueron sometidas por la 76a Legislatura Session Regular, de la Estado de Texas.)

LOCATION(S) OF POLLING PLACES

Voting Precinct 1, 5, and 6 - City Hall, City of Spearman. (officina de la Cuidad de Spearman)

Voting Precinct 2, 3, & 4 - Christ the Redeemer Catholic Church in Gruver (Cristo Redentor Iglesia Catolica en

Voting Precinct 7 - Oslo Lutheran Church (La iglesia de Oslo)

Voting Precinct 8 - Early Voting, County Courthouse (La Casa de cone de Spearman)

Voting Precinct 9 - Morse Community Building (El edificio de Comunidad de Morse)

Early voting by personal appearance will be conducted each weekday at: Hansford County Courthouse. Spearman.

Il a votacion adelantada en persona se llevara a cabo de lunes a viernes en: La Casa de corte da Spearman.

between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. beginning on

(entre las 8:00 de la manana y las 5:00 de la tarde empezando el octubre 18, 1999 .) and ending on October 29, 1999 . (y terminando el october 29, 1999.) Late Night voting will be held on October

19 and October 26 from 7 p.m. till 9 p.m. (Se podra votar despues de horas normales el martes 19 de Octubre y el 26 de Octubre

entre las horas de 7 p.m. hasta las 9:00 p.m. en la oficina de secretaria del condado. Applications for ballots by mail shall be mailed to:

(Las solicitudes para boletas que se votaran adelantada por correo deberan enviarse a:)

Kim V. Vera - County Clerk (Name of Early Voting Clerk) (Nombre del Secretario de la Votacion Adelanta

(Address) (direccion)

Spearman, Texas 79081-0397 (City) (Ciudad) (Zip Code) (Zona Postal)

Applications for ballots by mail must be received no later than the close of business on: (Las solicitudes para holetas que se votaran adelantada por correo deberan recibirse para el fin de las horas de negocio el:)

October 26, 1999 (ocsubre 26, 1999)

Issued this the 8th day of October, 1999. (Emitada este dia 8 de octubre, 1999.)



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