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SPEARMAN **K**Highland Park on 9/30 at 7:30 p.m. at Lynx Stadium



Gruver Greyhounds vs Shamrock on 9/30 at 7:30 p.m. at Shamrock

Spearman Lynx

The 7th & 8th Grade Lynx will play Highland Park in Spearman on September 29th. The 7th grade will play at 5 p.m., the 8th Grade will play at 6:15. The JV will play Highland Park in Highland Park at 6 p.m.

Gruver Greyhounds

The Gruver Jr. High and JV will play Gruver Ranch in Stinnett on Thursday, September 29th. The Gruver JH will play at 5 p.m., followed by the JV.

Gruver Greyhounds/Lady Hounds The Gruver Varsity Lady Hounds will compete in the OPSU Jamboree in Goodwell, OK on Saturday, October 1st. The rest of the cross country teams will run in Guymon.

Spearman Lynx/Lynxettes

The Spearman Varsity Lynxettes will compete in the McNeil Classic in Round Rock on Saturday. October 1st. The other cross country teams will compete in Canadian.

by GasBuddy.com **Weekly Update**

Texas, September 26- Average retail gasoline prices in Texas have fallen 11.3 cents per gallon in the past week, averaging \$3.28/g yesterday. This compares with the national average that has fallen 7.1 cents per gallon in the last week to \$3.53/g, according to gasoline price website TexasGasPrices.com.

Including the change in gas prices in Texas during the past week, prices yesterday were 76.4 cents per gallon higher than the same day one year ago and are 16.4 cents per gallon lower than a month ago. The national average has decreased 7.2 cents per gallon during the last month and stands 82.9 cents per gallon higher than this day one year ago.

"Last week saw an impressive decline in crude oil and gasoline futures, and accordingly, motorists in most areas of the U.S. have seen retail gasoline prices decline. In some areas, price have outright plunged to under \$3/gal," said Patrick DeHaan, GasBuddy.com Senior Petroleum Analyst. "While social networking sites are abuzz about the decline, be warned that the market does remain extremely sensitive to geopolitical issues and refinery maintenance season is right

around the corner," DeHaan adds.
GasBuddy operates, TexasGasPrices.com, and over
225 other local gasoline pricetracking websites that follow prices at over 125,000 gasoline stations in the
United States and Canada. GasBuddy also uses Facebook (facebook com/gashyddy) Twitter (puitter com/gashyddy) book (facebook.com/gasbuddy) Twitter (twitter.com/gasbuddy), and phone apps to keep motorists ahead of changing gasoline prices

Weather Forecast

THURSDAY - Mostly sunny. Highs in the lower 80s. Northeast winds 15 to 20 mph. THURSDAY NIGHT - Mostly clear. Lows in the mid 40s. Northeast winds 10 to 15 mph.

FRIDAY - Mostly sunny. Highs in the upper 70s. East winds 5 to 10 mph shifting to the south 10 to 15 mph in the afternoon. FRIDAY NIGHT - Mostly clear. Lows in the lower 50s.

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MONDAY - Mostly sunny. Breezy. Highs in the upper 80s.

MONDAY NIGHT - Mostly clear. Lows in the mid 50s.

Read more: http://www.city-data.com/fore-

east/w-Spearman-Texas.html#ixzz1XwhiVZt8

Texas Crop & Weather

The following specific livestock, crop and weather conditions were reported by Panhandle Extension directors: Temperatures were near average, with rain from a trace to 1 inch. The corn harvest was ongoing. Growers continued planting wheat. Cotton progress slowed with the cooler temperatures. Some cotton growers were applying harvest aids. Rangeland and pasture conditions were rated as very poor. Livestock producers continued to provide supplemental feed and reduce herds.

GHS Homecoming



ABOVE: Gruver High School's 2011 Homecoming Queen Madison McLain (center) is pictured with her two attendants, Taylor Felderhoff (left) and Evelyn Pastrana (right). BELOW: The Alumni Queen Estelle Barkley Chambers, GHS Class of 1941.

Gruver High School's 2011 Homecoming featured the theme "Crazy for the Greyhounds" and was celebrated September 19th-23rd. The Homecoming Queen and Alumni Queen were crowned during the pre-game of Gruver vs. Texico, NM.

The Homecoming Attendants for 2011 were Taylor Felderhoff, Madison McLain & Evelyn Pastrana. Madison McLain was named the Homecoming Queen.

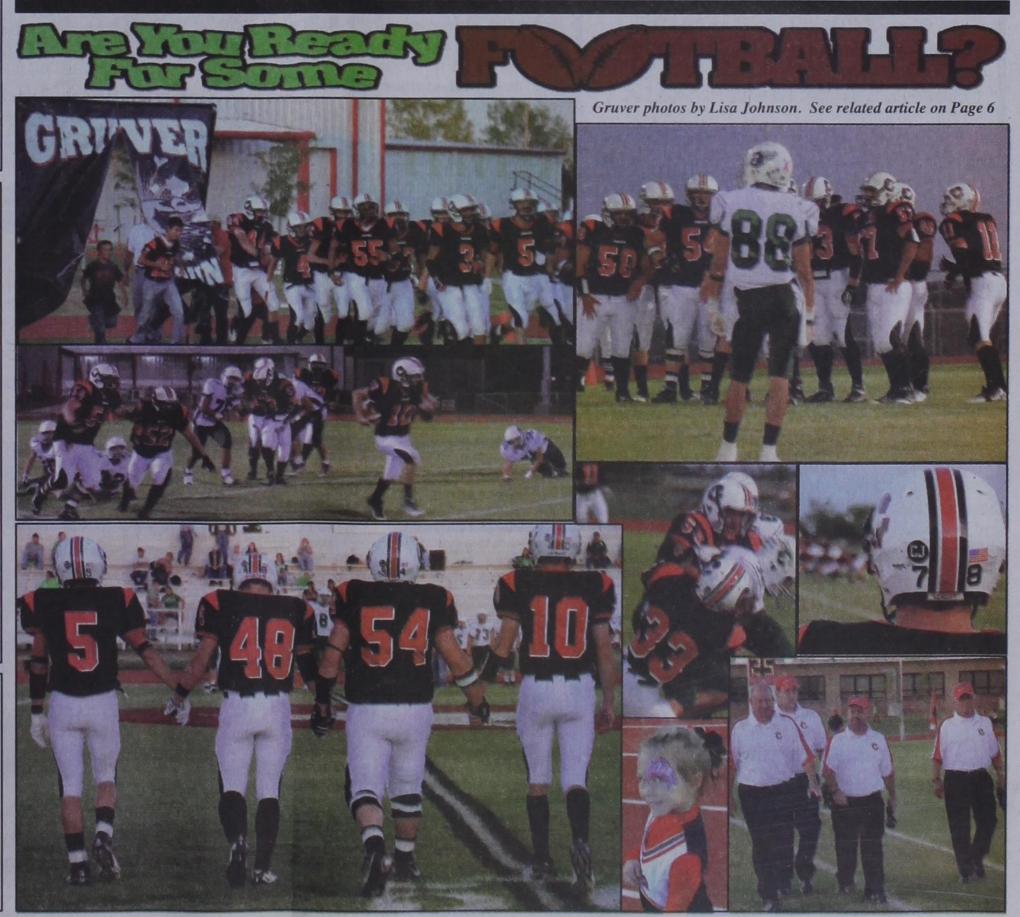
For the first time, 80 years were represented by the Alumni Candidates. Alumni representatives were: 1931 - Bill Etling, 1941 - Estelle Barkley Chambers and Atma Jean Tomlinson McClearey; 1951 -Ted Evans, 1961 - Joy Fulfer Moore and Leon Wilson, 1971 - Floyd Walker and Nancy Zabel Bickings, 1981 - James Heddins and Margaret Garcia Kidine, 1991 -Kyle Haenisch and Marci Roberts, 2001 -Chad TeBeest and Holly Hart McLean, 2011 - Payton Thoreson and Mary Hart.

Estelle Barkley Chambers was named

the Alumni Queen.

An Alumni football game was held on Saturday, September 24th at 6:30 p.m. Gruver played West Texas in Greyhound Stadium. An Alumni Dance, sponsored by the Class of 2001, was held at the O'Loughlin Center in Spearman from 8 p.m.-Midnight in Spearman featuring local talent. Proceeds were used for a Memorial Scholarship in honor of classmate Kirby Johnson.





Wolf Creek Heritage Museum Notes

by Virginia Scott MUSEUM HAPPENINGS

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MUSEUM MUSINGS

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Heil: "Some one has said: FIRST, I have to correct Lastly, we met with a He has achieved success my mistake from last week. committee of the board on who has lived well, laughed I created a state agency Wednesday to work on our often and loved much, who TEA, Texas education for 2012 budget and our Octo- has gained the respect of intelligent men and the love should have referred to MARK YOUR CALEN- of little children; who has Texas Commission for the DARS NOW. Saturday, Oc- left the world better than he Arts. (TCA). They are for tober 22, 2011 at 6:30 p.m. found it; who always real and need our support we will have a Barbecue looked for the best in others during these trying times. Supper at the Lipscomb and give the best he had; They are the group that re- School. We will have a whose life was an inspiraceive monies when you buy guest speaker and fun will tion; whose memory a

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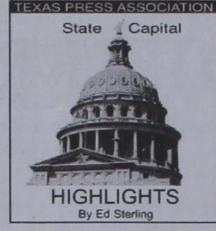
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HIGHLIGHTS



by Ed Sterling

Perry spars with field in GOP debate

AUSTIN — A field of nine Republican candidates participated in the Fox News-Google GOP Presidential Debate on Sept. 22 in Orlando, Fla.

As the top-polling candidate present, Gov. Rick Perry drew extra fire from rivals over his positions and/or record on Social Security, border security, job creation, health care and education.

For example, he took heat over his withdrawn executive order that would have required pre-teen girls to get vaccinated against human papilloma virus. And he defended his support of in-state college tuition for children of undocumented workers.

Meanwhile, as national media attention to campaign issues continued to build over the week, it was learned that questions over the legality of redistricting maps passed by the Texas Legislature would have to be addressed.

The U.S. Department of Justice elected not to "preclear" the proposed Texas House and congressional district maps, alleging possible dilution of the voting rights of minority populations in some districts.

Most of the growth of the state's population over the last 10 years was among minority groups and pursuant to the 2010 Census, Texas picked up four congressional seats to bring its

total to 36. Texas is among a group of states required to have its redistricting maps precleared under the Voting Rights Act of 1965. On July 19 Texas submitted its redrawn district maps to the Department of Justice for preclearance.

If the maps prove unacceptable, Gov. Perry has the option of calling a special session of the Texas Legislature to have the maps adjusted and any other voting issues fixed. Another possibility is that U.S. district courts could be tasked with fixing the maps. In either case, the pressure is on to have any voting rights issues resolved in time for the 2012 elections.

2 Texas Senate leaders to retire

State Sens. Steve Ogden, R-Bryan, and Florence Shapiro, R-Plano, announced they would not seek re-election.

As chair of the Senate Finance Committee, Ogden has been one of the state's chief budget writers in ad-

Navy. He won the Senate agency said. Dist. 5 seat by special election in 1997.

Shapiro, a member of the **continued** Senate since 1993 and a State Affairs Commission. meal, effective Sept. 22. Among her accomplishprotect children from sex- ingston said. ual predators.

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The Texas Forest Service tion and did not eat it. on Sept. 24 warned of a many parts of the state even mittee. more susceptible to wildfires and flare-ups.

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Brad Livingston, execuformer Plano mayor and tive director of the Texas city council member, is Department of Criminal chair of the body's power- Justice, stopped the practice ful Education Committee of allowing death row ofand former chair of the fenders to choose their last

"They will receive the ments is principal author- same meal served to other ship of a series of laws to offenders on the unit," Liv-

The change was made after state Sen. John Whit-Widespread wildfire mire, D-Houston, wrote a letter to Livingston in dis-Last week the extraordi- approval of the last meal nary drought continued its tradition after death row inthe Lone Star State with an dered a long list of food for unwelcome development. his last meal before execu-

Whitmire is dean of the cold front bringing high Senate and chair of the Senwinds that could make ate Criminal Justice Com-

Holiday road arrests

Texas Highway Patrol firefighters have responded troopers arrested 2,033 into 23,519 fires that have toxicated drivers statewide acres and destroyed 2,742 enforcement program conhomes," the Forest Service ducted Aug. 19 through reported, adding nearly Sept. 6, the Texas Depart-35,000 homes have been ment of Public Safety said

Troopers focused on The Texas Railroad looking for and stopping incrashes occur most often.

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this 25. Ceiling prop

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71. Suggestive of the supernatural

72. Popular Scandinavian name

73. Bugling animal 74. Rub out

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Where volunteering begins.

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Birthday - Aaron Boyd, Favala, Cindi Nash, Stan Seagler, Brooke Mayfield, Janet Naomi Fryrear, Jana Tin- Williams, Donna Burk, Kendell, June Spencer, Roger neth Brown, John Nichols, F.W. Thomas, Adina Jones, Sandy Cummings, Jean McLain, Paulette Laxson, Williams, Haley West, Dixie James Whitaker, Patrick Howard, Patty Butt Jerman, Sharon Bailey, Jade Shaver, Chris Cudd. Sable Ortiz

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Lacey Decker Young

October 2 Birthday - Kyler Barkley, Hodge, Helen Sanders Wayne Garrett, Jeremy Tunnell, Richard Wagner, Cudd Della Reed, Kathi Gilley, Pamela Ring, Robbi Dew- Tammie berry, Jerry Jasper

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October 9 Kelly Irout, Angelita Cruz, Birthday - Angle Lopez, Osbourne, Rhonda Ward, Rosa Rojas, Anniversary - Glen Ray & Shea Crawford, Jerry Hunt, Monty Black, Joe Archer Jr., Ronnie McCammond, Birthday - Ruth Ann Chris Cummings, Suellen Anniversary - Steve &

October 10 Birthday - Matthew Anniversary - M/M Scott Brown, Jake Barkley, Kim Scroggs, Sherri Cook, Don McLain, Kortny Henton, Birthday - Debbie Garrett, Edwin Molina, Gary Flow-Jan Stedje, Pam Stork, ers, Maribel Moreno, Mike Abbi Yanke, Theresa John- Darnell, Jesse Tindell, son, Jeff Gresset, Monty Cason Finley, McCaully Jo Karl Smith, Hart, Verlin Hagerman, Lyn Kandy Martin, Adam Red Woolley, Toby Thomas,

M/M

Our Sympathy

LEONA PARKER WOODS

Leona Parker Woods, 89, of Amarillo died Wednesday, Sept. 21,

Services were at 10:30 a.m. on Wednesday, September 28, 2011 in First Christian Church Robinson Chapel with Dr. Linda Parker officiating. Burial was at 3 p.m. Wednesday in Miami Cemetery in the Maddox Parker section. Arrangements were by Schooler Funeral Home, 4100 S. Georgia St.

Mrs. Woods was born March 15, 1922, in Miami to Franklin Spencer and Minnie Maddox Parker. Leona graduated from Miami High School in 1939, and from Draughn's Business College in Lubbock in 1941, certified in accounting. She then earned a Bachelor of Science degree from West Texas A&M University in education and business.

She was employed at Pampa Independent School Tax Office at the time she met John W. Woods. They were married on April 15, 1954, at her parents' home in Miami. Soon after marriage, they moved to San Antonio for John to attend St. Mary's University School of Law. They moved to Stratford in 1968, where Mr. Woods opened his law office. He later became Justice of the Peace and Sherman County Judge. Mrs. Woods taught school two years in Spearman and then taught in the Stratford schools until

Mrs. Woods became a member of the First Christian Church in Miami at an early age, and in the remaining years of her life she was active in Christian churches in the towns she lived in.

Leona was an avid quilter and won many ribbons in quilt shows for the work on her quilts. She was adept in other forms of stitchery such as needlepoint, embroidery, crewel and mending. While living in Stratford, she was the mending lady for the nursing home.

She was always a volunteer wherever she lived. She taught Sunday school classes while living in Stratford. She has been a longtime member of Delta Kappa Gamma Society and was a life member of Texas State Teachers Association, Panhandle Piecemakers Quilt Club in Pampa, and Canyon Retired Teachers.

Since moving to Amarillo in 1995, she had been active in First Christian Church, the Friendship Class, the Happy Timers, the Ruth group of the Christian Women's Fellowship, and a member of the Continental Resident Council. John and Leona moved to Amarillo in 1995, and moved to the Continental Retirement Center in 2000. John died Jan. 31, 2006. In October 2006, Leona moved into the Harrington Assisted Living Center.

She was preceded in death by her husband; her parents; and a nephew, Jerry W. Curl of McAllen.

Mrs. Woods is survived by a sister, Mary Alice Curl of Amarillo; brothers, Clifford Parker and wife Ethyle of Albuquerque, N.M., and Frank Parker and wife Joan of San Antonio; a sister-in-law, Alvro Dorman and husband Leo of Virginia Beach, Va.; four nieces, Linda Parker, Shari Parker, Barbara Parker Morse and husband Robert and Leslie Boerger and husband Ron; two nephews, Tom Curl and wife Lynda and Paul Parker; three great-nieces, Kennedy Shuler, Megan Jans and husband Michael and Clair Parker Siburt; six great-nephews, Rob Curl, Chris Curl and wife Vanessa, Brian Curl and wife Kristi, Justin Curl, Grant Shuler and Andrew Morse; four great-greatnieces, Jordan, Taylor, Autumn and Dakota Curl; and two great-great-nephews, Hunter Curl and Jacob Jans.

Visitation will be from 6 to 7 p.m. today at the funeral

The family suggests memorials be to First Christian Church College Scholarship Fund, 3001 Wolfin Ave., Amarillo, TX 79106; or Roberts County Museum, P.O. Box 249, Miami, TX 79059.

Sign the online guest book at www.schoolerfuneral-

JERRY "J.J." ETHEREDGE Jerry "J.J." Etheredge,

56, of Amarillo died Wednesday, Sept. 21, 2011.

Services were at 11 a.m. Monday, Sept. 26, 2011, at Southwest Baptist Church. Burial was in Llano Cemetery by Cox Funeral Home, 4180 Canyon

Jerry was born Jan. 22, 1955, in Lubbock to Wayand Wilma Etheredge. He was raised and went through school in Spearman. Jerry loved

to work and has been a hard worker since he was a young boy. He started branding cattle with his father when he was just 6 years old. As he grew up, work became even a bigger part of his life. He was a heavy equipment operator for many years,

he worked for Old Pal Construction before owning his

own company. He loved horses, going dancing, cooking, barbecuing and spending time with his friends and family. He will be remembered for his willingness to help others and his big heart. Survivors include two sons, John Etheredge and wife Laurie of Amarillo and Jim Etheredge and his wife Kristie of Lindale; his wife, Vanessa Etheredge of Amarillo; his parents, Waymon and Wilma Etheredge of Burk-

burnett; two sisters, Cindy Blume and husband Ray of Henreitta, and Connie Millard of Cedar Park; a brother, Joe Etheredge of Leander; aunts and uncles Charles and Frankie Skinner of Childress and Carl and Willa Condron of Waco; and five grandchildren, Jake, Heather, Rhiley. Max and Billy.

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Sun. Eve.: 6 p.m.

Wed. Prayer Mtg: 7 p.m. Pastor - Jack Cornell

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Sunday School: 9:30 a.m.

Worship: 10:40 a.m.

Evening Worship: 6 p.m.

Wed. Worship: 7 p.m.

Wed. Youth: 7

Pastor - Brad Smith

First Christian Church

(Disciples of Christ)

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Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.

Worship: 10:50 a.m.

First Baptist Church

123 N. Bernice • 659-5557

Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.

Worship: 11 a.m.

Evening Worship: 7 p.m.

Men's Bible Study - Wed., 7 a.m.

Children's Choir - Wed, 6 p.m.

Adult Choir - Wed. 7 p.m.

Wed. Bible Study: 7 p.m.

Pastor - Jim Medley

Church of Christ

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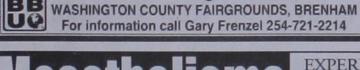
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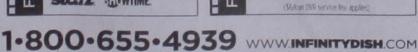












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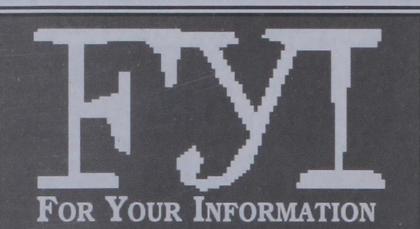
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Bouquet Designs

Hansford County Library is selling raffle tickets for handpainted tables, painted by Linda Combs. First place is a fullsized dining room table with a leaf. Second place is a side table or occasional table. Tickets are \$5 per ticket or 5 tickets for \$20. These tables are truly beautiful. All proceeds will benefit the library to help make up for lost Thrift Shop income. Tickets will be sold through Monday, November 14, 2011.

Gladiola Flower Club Annual Nut Sale

It's time once again to purchase your nuts from Gladiola Flower Club. If you have purchased before, please contact your representative, if not, please call Margarette Evans at 806-659-2165. Orders must be placed no later than October 5TH. You may purchase nuts, trash mix, fruit mix, or samplers.

Spearman Booster Club

If you would like to become a member of the Spearman Booster Club please contact any club member. This money helps the Spearman Booster club award scholarships to many athletes each year. Please call Kellye Buchanan 330-0364 or 659-5102 or mail membership to P.O. Box 343 Spearman.

Greyhound Grand

Please support the Greyhound Booster Club and buy a square to win \$1000. Squares are numbered 1-100 and the \$ value is the number of the square. The person whose number is drawn will win \$1000. The drawing will take place November 4th at the last home football game. To buy a square, see John Haynes at Bort Agency or purchase a square at the home foot-

New Counseling Practice in Hansford County!
Darlene Curry, M.Ed., M.A., L.P.C., has opened a Counseling Practice in Gruver in the hopes of adding much needed services to the panhandle area. The office is located at 430 Main Street, Ste. A in Gruver. Appointments may be made by calling 806-736-0463.

EMT Basic Class Begins October 10th

EMT-BASIC classes will be held in Gruver starting October 10th. Scholarships will be available through The City of Gruver and The City of Spearman. Please contact Janet Williams at 806-570-4284 for more information.

Hansford County Health Fair October 13

Mark your calendar, Hansford County Hospital Community Health Fair October 13, 2011 from 7am- 1pm. Flu shots, reduced price for men and women lab screening and many health related vendors. If your business would like to donate a door prize, please contact Jackie Nelson 806-659-5841 or bring by the hospital.

Hansford Happenings 4-H Smoked Meat Sale 4-H members across Hansford County(Spearman, Gruver & Morse) are selling smoked meats for their annual fund raising efforts. Products available include smoked & spiral hams, turkey, peppered turkey breasts, smoked or peppered bacon, beef or chicken fajitas, chicken tenders, tamales, pork patties, pork chub, sausage links, pecan cobbler, pulled pork bbq, little porkies Wraps, sausage gravy, Hunters Package(pancake mix, canadian bacon, peppered pork loin & jalapeno cheese summer sausage and pumpkin roll. We would like to thank you in advance for helping raise funds to support projects, activities, contest registration, trips and events for the year. Orders must be received by October 18th, with a delivery date before Thanksgiving. Please contact a 4-H member or call the County Extension Office 659-4130 or 733-2901, fax 659-4133 to place your order. If email would be easier hansford-

Gruver High School Open House

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Gruver High School will hold Open House on Monday, October 3, 2011 from 6-7 p.m. Parents, please come to the HS Library for a short meeting before visiting the classrooms.

Texas SNAP Benefits Assistance

Need help applying for SNAP benefits? We can help! High Plains Food Bank is providing application assistance for Texas SNAP benefits (Food Stamps) in your area. Telephone application assistance is available. If you need to apply for benefits, please call us today at 806374-8562 or 1-800-774-8564.

Don't Text and Drive Decals

If you would like to purchase a lime green 'AMT 1994-2009 Don't Text and Drive' window decal in memory of Ali Tyler, please contact Stephannie Tyler at 806-736-0019. All proceeds go to the Ali Tyler Memorial Scholarship Fund. Decals are also available at Hansford County Floral Company on Main Street in Spearman.

Help Available for Breast Cancer Survivors

Any woman who has had breast cancer surgery and cannot

afford undergarments and prosthetics can get help from the American Cancer Society through a grant from Susan G. Komen for the Cure®. The Amarillo Area Breast Prosthesis and Lymphedema Accessory Program will provide financial help to women in need of breast forms or prostheses, mastectomy bras and accessories to help with lymphedema, which is swelling of the arm caused by a build-up of lymph fluid. For more information, call the American Cancer Society office in Amarillo at (806) 353-4307 or 1-877-227-2345.

Timeless Treasures Quilt Guild

The Timeless Treasures Quilt Guild of Guymon, Oklahoma meets four times a year -- the last Saturday in the months of January, April, July and October. Registration begins at 9:30 a.m. in the First Christian Church Disciple Center located at 9th & Quinn streets. The meeting starts at 10 a.m. Members bring a carry-in luncheon, which is served at noon. The afternoon program begins at 1 p.m. Programs include trunk shows, demonstrations, workshops, door prizes and much more.

Friendship Quilter Quilt Guild

The Friendship Quilter Quilt Guild of Perryton, Texas would like to invite you to their meetings. The Day Guild meets the 2nd Wednesdays of each month at 9 a.m. in the Community Worship Center, 2210 SW 15th, Perryton. The Night Guild meets the 2nd Tuesday of each month at 6 p.m. in the Community Worship Center, 2210 SW 15th, Perryton. Annual dues are \$15. (To receive only the newsletter \$7.50/yr.) Visitors are welcome. For more information, contact Cynthia Shattles at 806-435-2765 or Marilyn Robins at 806-624-2691.

Take Off Pounds Sensibly

Take Off Pounds Sensibly meets on Tuesday mornings at 8:30 a.m. at the First Christian Church in Gruver. For more information, contact Marilyn Been at 806-733-2087

Fire Department Donations

Persons wishing to make donations to the Fire Departments in Hansford County may do so at the following addresses: Spearman Fire Dept., Box 37, Spearman TX 79081; Gruver Fire Dept., Box 947, Gruver TX 79040 or Morse Fire Dept., Box 28, Morse TX 79062

Words from Faith & Grace

by Cecil R. Biggers, Lutheran Lay Minister

In the sixteenth week of Pentecost, we learn the nature of God's 'vineyard' as we study Isaiah 5: 1-7, Psalm 80: 7-15, Philippians 3: 4-14, and Matthew 21: 33-46.

Isaiah is singing a song to the people of Israel about his beloved's vineyard. He sings of the effort and care given by his beloved to creating the vineyard and his expectations of the vineyard. The song asks the people of Jerusalem and Judah to judge between the owner of the vineyard and the vineyard. The vineyard is bearing 'wild' grapes not useful grapes. The song then turns to the owner of the vineyard tearing out and tearing down his vineyard. The vineyard owner is then revealed to be God as Isaiah tells the people that the owner will command the clouds not to rain upon it. This song reflects the woes against Judah for their infidelity to God. If Yahweh's people will not be His people, then they will not be a people at all. Perhaps the first country song about infidelity and love gone bad.

The Psalmist also sings a song asking for God's redeeming of Israel. He also uses the vine as a symbol of Israel and asks God to remember his vine. Notice, however, there is no verse indicating that God's vine is pro-

ducing God's goals for it.

Paul tells the Philippians not to place confidence in the flesh, ever if they consider themselves to have reason. Our identity is not found in our past, but only in who we are in Jesus Christ. Christ alone makes us righteous and brings us into the life-giving presence of God Righteousness is based upon faith which is itself based upon the gift of God's grace. Our emphasis should be on what we are becoming through Jesus Christ not what we have done in the past. Paul uses an athletic example that

we 'press on' towards the goal.

Jesus gives the Chief Priests and Sanhedrin another parable about a landowner who planted a vineyard, carefully prepared it, and left it with tenants while he went to another country. At harvest time, the landowner sends his servants to collect the rent. The tenants beat one. killed one and stoned another. The landowner sends other servants to collect the rent, and they too were treated badly. The landowner then sends his son, who is also killed by the tenants. Jesus asks them, what will the landowner then do? The elders answer that, "He will put those wretches to a miserable death, and lease the vineyard to other tenants who will give him the produce at harvest time". Jesus then shows that the religious leaders are the tenants and the vineyard is Israel; the religious leaders have deprived God of his rightful 'fruits' Jesus tells them that the kingdom of God will be taken from them and given to a people that produces the fruits of the kingdom. He then tells them that the "stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone". And he warns that, "The one who falls on this stone will be broken to pieces; and it will crush anyone on whom it falls." (This is a composite of Isaiah 8: 13-15, Isaiah 28: 16, and Deuteronomy 2: 34, 44-45). Then the elders wanted to kill him.

May the Holy Spirit make you a good tenant that pro-

duces the fruits of the kingdom.

Our Sympathy

DENNIS EARL BROOKS



Dennis Earl Brooks, 56, passed away Saturday, September 24, 2011. Services were held at 3 p.m. on Tuesday, Septem-

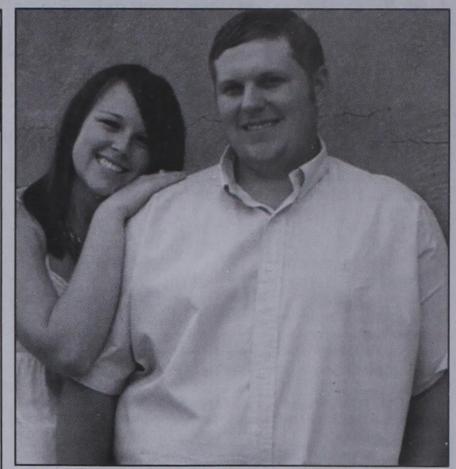
ber 27, 2011 in the Brazos Trail Cowboy Church off Sharla Smelley Road. Interment was in the Bethesda Cemetery. Galbreaith Pickard Funeral Chapel was in charge of arrangements. Dennis was born April,

21, 1955 in Pampa, Texas. He was a graduate of McLean High School in 1974 and was currently a welder. Dennis was also a member of the Brazos Trail Cowboy Church and the Southwest Team Penning Association.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Earl and LaVerne Brooks and his nephew, Kennith Wilson.

Survivors include his wife, Letha Brooks of Weatherford; two sons, Chris Brooks and wife Amy, of Grandview, Texas and Cody Brooks and wife Kacie, of Cleburne, Texas; one daughter, Catrina Kidd and husband Mark, of Weatherford; six grandchildren, Trevor, Tucker, Trentin, Tayler, Rendyn, and Colton; one sister, Cindy Walton and husband Joe, of Stamford, Texas; one brother, Ed Brooks and wife Heather, of McLean, Texas; and numerous nieces and nephews.





Engagement Announcement

Mr. and Mrs. Timothy Nelson of Spearman announce the engagement of their daughter, Brittney Irene to Rhett Renner, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Renner of Spear-

The couple will be married on January 14, 2012 in Spearman.

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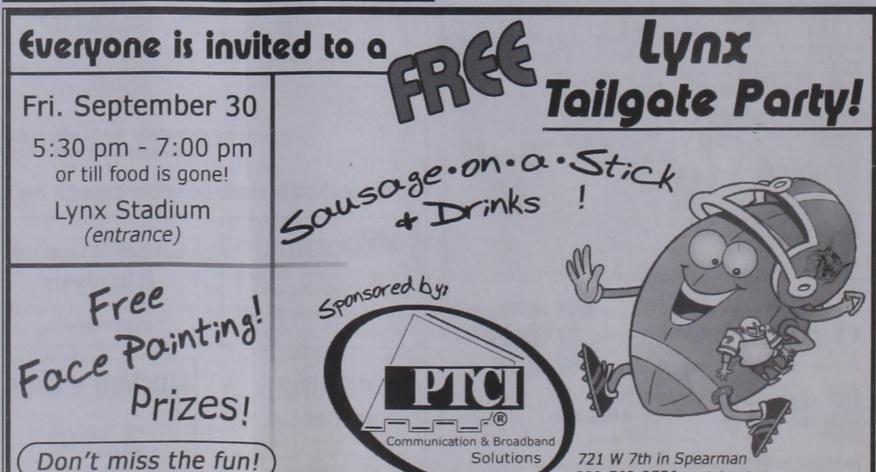
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Betty Womble Retires from SISD



Betty Womble, elementary music teacher at Gus Birdwell Elementary School. recently nounced her retirement at the end of the 2010-2011 school year.

Betty grew up in the surrounding area and graduated from Stinnett High School before earning a BS in Home Economics from Texas Tech University. Her first career was that of a stay at home mom, and she did not begin a full-time teaching position until her own children were old enough to go to college at Texas Tech.

Her first teaching job was at Dumas Junior High School in 1992 teaching Career and Technology (Home Economics) to 8th and 9th graders for two years. For the next five years she taught Life Management Skills, a class that taught about living successfully through making good decisions and choices and applying these skills to relationships and dealing with people. She added that as part of the curriculum she would take her students into the community to do various service projects such as visiting nursing homes. She stated, "It was very rewarding to see how young people could mature in their thinking and gain self-confidence by reaching out to someone else in need." One of her students actually took the training and became a fully certified hospice volunteer as a result of her experience in Mrs. Womble's Life Management Skills classroom.

Previous to starting her teaching career, she spent twenty years working in the Parent Teacher Association (PTA), and in 1992 as she started her teaching career she was also elected to serve on the Board of Trustees for Pringle-Morse CISD where she served for twelve years. She said, "I always felt that I had a unique perspective about education having been a parent, working as a class-

room teacher and representing the community as a board member. All of this has given me a better perspective of what it takes to operate effectively and how to deal with parents and administrators.'

After seven years in Dumas, she decided to sit out of teaching and pretty much worked full time at Spearman First Methodist Church in the education and music department. It was in 2001 that she accepted the position of elementary music teacher at Gus Birdwell Elementary School which she held until her retirement in May of 2011. Betty recalled the following story: "At Gus Elementary Birdwell School, it seemed that I was the one learning the most. One day we were rehearsing for the 2nd grade Christmas program, and I was explaining that the song we were singing was a good example of the musical element called "expression" when a boy patiently raised his hand and stated, Mrs. Womble, I am singing with my heart. Of course, my own hearted melted right then.'

Over the years, Mrs. Womble said her favorite memories were the performances. "To see that children of all ages give their full attention and effort to obtain excellence is extremely rewarding," she commented. "Music has to be the most wonderful tool to truly inspire perfection. I have often told my students that when they perform in public and do their very best, then they have every right to be proud of themselves. The feeling of accomplishment that you can earn through hard work is not like someone telling you that you are good at something, but rather is something that

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you can actually feel inside you," she added.

Mrs. Womble stated that the hardest part of teaching is learning how to manage children. Her advice to someone new entering the profession is not to get discouraged. "Some years, I have had 500 children come through my doors everyday. Watch the experienced teachers around you and ask them questions. Once your confidence gets in place with the management, then you can really have fun with your teaching!"

She added that technology has changed the most in education from the start of her career in public education. "Educational philosophies come and go, but children are the same. We need to remember that education is about people,' she proclaimed.

"I sing because I'm happy," is a good description of Betty Womble,' said Spearman ISD Superintendent Rodney Sumner. Betty loves music, and it is quite evident from watching her interact with chilabout dren

commitment to install that same love of music within the children she teaches. We are going to definitely miss her. Over the years, I got a big kick just watching her conduct the various programs and activities due to her own contagious enthusiasm, added Mr. Sumner.

career in public education, retirement will not end her life-long passion for people and music. Betty intends to continue serving as the Music Minister and Technology Director for her church and enjoy many of the homemaking skills that she has been neglecting over the years!

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Allen Campus; 2 repair projects (parking lot and building bracing) and 1 renovation project (creation of 2 workforce training classrooms). These projects will be completed by mid November, so we apologize early on for any inconven-

ience they might cause.

Each year the college chooses a common reader. This year's reader is "Dances with Wolves" written by Michael Blake. Mr. Blake has visited the Allen Campus twice in the past and will be returning this year for an event we are After a seventeen year calling "An Evening with Michael Blake". Unfortunately, it will occur on Homecoming night, Friday, September 30th, at 7:00 PM, but that is the only time available for Mr. Blake to visit Perryton. We encourage everyone to go to the game that night and support the Rangers, but for those who aren't planning to attend the game, come spend some time with Mr. Blake; his events are always interesting and the participants leave smiling.

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Allen Campus News and Information

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Appreciation Celebration Planned for Justin Boyd

The City of Spearman-is holding an appreciation gathering in honor of Justin Boyd on Friday, September 30th. Justin has completed his term as EMS Director, and everyone is invited to stop by the Fire/EMS building between 5:30-7:30 p.m. to thank him for a job well done. Refreshments will be served.

Justin will continue to serve as a paramedic on the EMS service, and he will be the lead instructor for the EMS basic class that will begin in October.

Justin also serves on the State EMS Committee. The function of this committee is to review pertinent issues and make recommendations to the Governor's EMS and Trauma Advisory Council who, in turn, makes recommendations to the Texas Department of State Health

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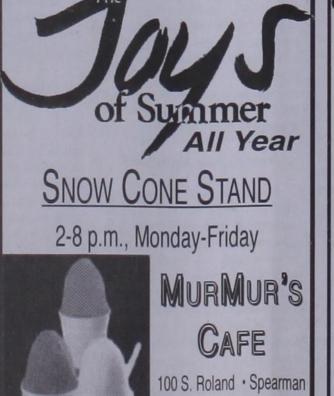
The Gruver Independent School District will hold a public meeting on October 17, 2011 at 6:45 p.m. in the Gruver ISD Administration Board Room, 601 Garrett Street, Gruver TX. The purpose of this meeting is to discuss the school district's performance under each of the 21 indicators of the Financial Integrity Rating System of Texas (FIRST). Public participation in the discussion is invited.

The FIRST ratings are based upon analysis of staff and student data reported for the 2009-2010 school year, and budgetary and actual financial data for the 2010 fiscal year (ending August 31, 2010). The FIRST rating system was developed by the Texas Education Agency in response to Senate Bill 875 of the 76th Texas Legislature in 1999. The primary goal of the FIRST is to achieve quality performance in the management of the school district's financial resources.





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PUBLIC HEARING

Date: October 17, 2011

6:45 p.m. Time:

Location: GISD Administration Board Room

601 Garrett Street, Gruver TX

Subject: Financial Accountability Rating

Hansford County Sports



Lubbock Invitational Cross Country Meet 2A Champions: (L-R) Sarah Snider, Malory Martin, Shelby Hanna, Gately Garnett, Tylo Farrar, Itzel Meza. (not pic- 33 tured, Cynthia Mendoza)



Spearman JV Lynxettes: (L-R) Brooke Walker, Sadye Hanna, Hannah Patterson, Gena Hargrove, Slade Garnett, Taylor Williams, Kylie Porter.



Spearman Lynx JV: (L-R) John Holloway, Juan Garcia, Eulises Mendoza, Payton Garnett

35th Annual Lubbock champion and were the Invitational

by Coach Starla White- the line Saturday at noon at

The Spearman Varsity Varsity Girls were up to the Lynxettes Cross Country challenge, though, and failed) team dominated the 2A di- came home as the champivision at the 35th Annual ons again. They were led by Lubbock Invitational on Shelley Gibson in 6th (Mathis run) Saturday, September 24th place. at Mae Simmons Park (site of the Regional Meet). The Senior Luis Mendoza, Lynxettes competed against logged some much needed 13 other teams, and won experience on the regional with 52 points, followed by course as this year's team is Wall with 68, Ballinger 80, made up of 5 freshman and Alpinen 110, Tuscola Jim only two upper classmen. Ned 126 and Bushland 178. They took 3rd place, led by

A total of 117 runners Luis Mendoza in 2nd place. competed, with Spearman boasting the following re- end off, the GHS XC teams sults: Gately Garnett 1st, hit the pavement this past Tylo Farrar 2nd, Sarah weekend in Amarillo! We Snider 8th, Malory Martin are proud to have taking 80 14th, Shelby Hanna 27th, warriors for the fight Cynthia MEndoza 35th and against breast cancer to run Itzel Meza 72nd.

JV Girls Individual Run- Race for the Cure on Saturners for Spearman included day. Gena Hargrove, who was a top 15 medalist, as well as munity and the willingness Slade Garnett, Brooke of those going to run, we Walker, Sadye Hanna, have raised \$2,500 for the Kylee Hegstrom, Hannah "cure." Patterson, and Taylor Williams.

GHSXC Update by Coach Rod Been

The Gruver Varsity Girls have now raised over and Boys XC teams went to \$11,000 for the LOCAL Lubbock to compete in the fight against this disease! Lubbock Invitational on September 24th. The girls came up with this idea, I team is the defending would have never guessed

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F - Rex Mathis 1 run Road 8 team to beat as they toed (pass failed) S — Jace Lang-Swan 1 May Simmons Park. The run (Rosendo kick)

> F — Mathis 16 run (run dada 44 F — Tole Covington 25

we could have made this

big of an impact! I am very

very worthwhile event!!

Spearman 21, Floy-

dada 20

Swan scored on a two-yard

lead Spearman to a win

a pass on Floydada's final

drive at the Spearman 30-

Spearman remains unde-

feated at 5-0. Floydada is 2-

Scores by Quarters

Scorers S — Justin Rindlisbacher

Floydada 0.1280 - 20

Spearman 0.1407 - 21

run (Alfredo Rosendo

yard line to ice the win.

run and one on a pass.

pass from John Yannis S — Lang-Swan 2 run

The boys team, led by (Rosendo kick) **Statistics**

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	SL	FW
First Downs	15	13
Rushing Yards	187	146
Passing Yards	54	80
Total Yards	241	226
C-A-I	3-13-1	3-12-1
Punts-Avg.	5-36	5-35
Fumbles-Lost	1-0	2-1

Penalties-Yds 8-70 5-37

Texico, NM 33, Gruver

Texico, N.M., shut out Gruver after the first quarter Friday to earn a win over the Greyhounds.

Jerrod Collier had 167 yards on 20 carries and two touchdowns for Gruver. Gruver dropped to 1-4. Texico, N.M., is 3-1.

Scores by Quarters Texico, N.M. 13 6 8 6 —

Gruver 14 0 0 0 — 14 Scorers

T — Donovan Johnson 1 proud of Gruver's involve- run (Sergio Posada kick ment and support of this good)

T — Mitchell Tinnell 25 pass from Rallin Harris (kick failed)

G - Jerrod Collier 14

Spearman's Jace Lang- run (kick failed) G — Collier 21 run (Colrun with 1:03 to play to lier PAT rush good) T - Johnson 40 run

over the Floydada Whirl- (rush failed) T — Shay Harrison 1 run Floydada missed a pair (Harrison rush good)

of two-point PATs, one on a T — Brandon King 7 run (pass failed) Stefan Cook intercepted

Statistics

	INM	GG
First Downs	12	13
Rushing Yards	212	183
Passing Yards	40	86
Total Yards	252	269
C-A-I	3-5-0	9-24-0
Punts-Avg.	2-35	5-27
Fumbles-Lost	3-2	1-1
Penalties-Yds	4-50	3-15

September 15th JH Hounds 26, Pampa 8 JV Hounds 38, River

September 22nd

8th Grade Lynx 6, Floy-7th Grade Lynx 14, Floydada 22

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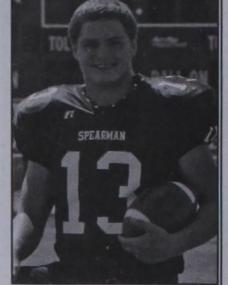
Spearman's Stefan Cook intercepted a pass to end Floydada's final drive to preserve a one-point win.

Timeout with: Jace Lang-Swan, Spearman senior quarterback, defensive end

by Lee Passmore, Amarillo Globe-News

Jace Lang-Swan has been a standout at quarterback and defensive end as Spearman has started 3-0. Lang-Swan was moved to quarterback from running back, and he'll lead the Lynx into West Texas High on Friday in a matchup of 3-0 teams.

 Did you guys count on starting the season 3-0? "It was always a goal to come out and be 3-0. We weren't expecting to do it, but we all played together and found a way to win."



Jace Lang-Swan Spearman High School Senior

 How big of a challenge is it going to be to face a defense like West Texas High's (which has given up only 19 points this season)? "I think it's going to be a defensive battle the whole game, and whoever executes the best on the defensive end is going to come out victori-

 You start at two positions. Which one is your favorite? "Defense has to be my favorite position. I just like to come out and hit people.

What's the best thing about being the starting quarterback at Spearman? "I like the leadership role. It feels good to me if someone has a question about something and they can ask me about it.

What kind of music do you like to listen to before a game or practice? "Usually the playlist on my iPod is mostly rock, but there's a little bit of rap in there.'

• What's your favorite pregame meal? "We have a cafe here called Murmur's, and I like to get a cheeseburger and curly fries."

■ Who's your favorite athlete? "Tim Tebow." Will Tony Romo last the whole season as the Cowboys quarterback? "Probably not. If I was coaching him I wouldn't have him playing."

Gruver Band Rocks!



The Gruver Band was filmed at the football game on Friday, September 16, 2011, along with the Farwell band in a competition for "Battle of the Bands!" This 'battle" was aired on News Channel 10 Sunday night at 10 p.m. It was then uploaded to their website where anyone could view the video and vote for the winner! The Greyhounds received 57 votes and the Farwell Steers received 14 votes. Go to the following link to watch the

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Brief Explanatory Statements of Proposed Constitutional Amendments Special Election November 8, 2011

Proposition Number 1 (SJR 14)

SJR 14 would amend the constitution to authorize the legislature to provide the surviving spouse of a 100 percent or totally disabled veteran with an exemption from ad valorem taxation of all or part of the market value of the surviving spouse's residence homestead as long as the surviving spouse has not remarried, the property was the residence homestead of the surviving spouse when the qualifying veteran died, and the property remains the residence homestead of the surviving spouse.

The proposed amendment would appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to provide for an exemption from ad valorem taxation of all or part of the market value of the residence homestead of the surviving spouse of a 100 percent or totally disabled veteran.'

Proposition Number 2 (SJR 4)

SJR 4 would amend the constitution to authorize the Texas Water Development Board to issue additional general obligation bonds on a continuing basis for one or more accounts of the Texas Water Development Fund II, with the restriction that the total amount of bonds outstanding at any time does not exceed \$6 billion.

The proposed amendment would appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment providing for the issuance of additional general obligation bonds by the Texas Water Development Board in an amount not to exceed \$6 billion at any time outstand-

Proposition Number 3 (SJR 50)

SJR 50 would amend the constitution to authorize the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board or its successors to issue and sell general obligation bonds on a continuing basis for the purpose of financing educational loans for

students, subject to certain constitutional restrictions, including a restriction as to the maximum principal amount of bonds outstanding at any one time.

The proposed amendment would appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment providing for the issuance of general obligation bonds of the State of Texas to finance educational loans to students."

Proposition Number 4 (HJR 63)

HJR 63 would amend the constitution to authorize the legislature to permit a county to issue bonds or notes to finance the development or redevelopment of an unproductive, underdeveloped, or blighted area within the county, and to pledge increases in ad valorem tax revenues imposed on property in the area by the county for repayment of such bonds or notes. The amendment does not provide independent authority for increasing ad valorem tax rates.

The proposed amendment would appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to permit a county to issue bonds or notes to finance the development or redevelopment of an unproductive, underdeveloped, or blighted area and to pledge for repayment of the bonds or notes increases in ad valorem taxes imposed by the county on property in the area. The amendment does not provide authority for increasing ad valorem tax rates."

Proposition Number 5 (SJR 26)

SJR 26 would amend the constitution to authorize the legislature to allow cities and counties to enter into interlocal contracts with other cities and counties without having to assess an ad valorem tax and set aside a specified amount of funds for the payment of costs under the interlocal contract.

The proposed amendment would appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment

authorizing the legislature to allow cities or counties to enter into interlocal contracts with other cities or counties without the imposition of a tax or the provision of a sinking fund.'

Proposition Number 6 (HJR 109)

HJR 109 would amend the con-

stitution to increase the amount of principal that is available for withdrawal from the permanent school fund each year and would also clarify certain references to that fund in the constitution. Increased access to the principal of the state public education trust fund would be based upon HJR 109 granting the authority to consider alternative market calculations when determining the amount of principal that is available for distribution to the available school fund. HJR 109 would also provide authority to distribute to the available school fund annual revenue from school fund land or other properties up to \$300 million per year.

The proposed amendment would appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment clarifying references to the permanent school fund, allowing the General Land Office to distribute revenue from permanent school fund land or other properties to the available school fund to provide additional funding for public education, and providing for an increase in the market value of the permanent school fund for the purpose of allowing increased distributions from the available school fund."

Proposition Number 7 (SJR 28)

SJR 28 would amend the constitution by adding El Paso County to the list of counties authorized to create conservation and reclamation districts to develop parks and recreational facilities financed by taxes.

The proposed amendment would appear on the ballot as follows: The constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to permit conservation and reclamation districts in El Paso County to issue bonds supported by ad valorem taxes to fund the development and maintenance of parks and recreational facilities."

Proposition Number 8 (SJR 16)

SJR 16 would amend the constitution by requiring the legislature to provide for taxation of open space land devoted to water stewardship purposes on the basis of its productive capacity.

The proposed amendment would appear on the ballot as follows: 'The constitutional amendment providing for the appraisal for ad valorem tax purposes of openspace land devoted to water-stewardship purposes on the basis of its productive capacity."

Proposition Number 9 (SJR 9)

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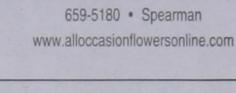
The proposed amendment would appear on the ballot as follows: The constitutional amendment authorizing the governor to grant a pardon to a person who successfully completes a term of deferred adjudication community supervi-

Proposition Number 10 (SJR 37)

SJR 37 would amend the constitution by extending the length of the unexpired term that causes the automatic resignation of certain local elected officeholders if they announce candidacy or become candidates for another office from one year to one year and 30 days.

The proposed amendment would appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment to change the length of the unexpired term that causes the automatic resignation of certain elected county or district officeholders if they become candidates for another office."

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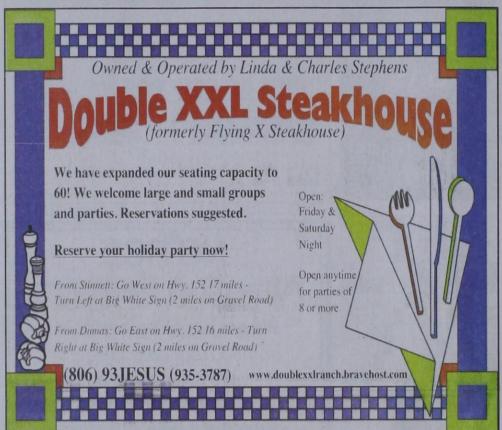
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B O T T O M RIGHT: Lynx receiver #82 Stefan Cook catches a pass from Jace Lang Swan.

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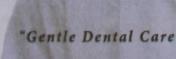
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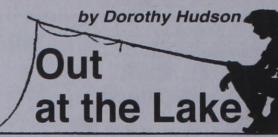
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Lake Level--September 26, 2011--34.15 feet (-0.26)

The office rain gauge showed .55 inch from the soaking type rain of last week. Gruver and Spear-Spearman photos man each had almost an by Tami Hargrove. inch, and Morse received only .37 inch.

The little rains over the Park have brought out the fall flowers. The sand lilies are mostly through blooming and were not as big this year. Jim reported a lovely bed of purple gay feathers across from the intake tower north of the office. The flowers open from the top of the spike downward, and usually bloom through the fall to the first frost.

Campers are still coming to enjoy the nice weather. There were six RVs behind the dam and one on the office side this weekend.

Jim did not have any fish stories, but he said he had seen a bald eagle early on Sunday. A few ducks are around, but he isn't seeing much bird migration yet.



A mule deer buck, spotted Thursday, September 22.

Hansford County and the Beef Bonanza

While trying to find out if the Hansford Cattle and Land Ranche was named for Hansford County, I learned that this company only had a small interest in Hansford County. However, our 777 Ranch with

formed the Prairie Cattle Company with 100,000 cattle. Their stock payment was 19.5 per cent the first year and almost 28 per cent in 1883. Thus the mania in Dundee and Edinburgh began. More on the British controlled ranches later.

Jim Deringto

Annual Community Health Fair

Thursday October 13, 2011 7:00 a.m. -- 1:00 p.m. The O'Loughlin Center 502 S. Brandt, Spearman TX

> Flu Shot 25.00 Pneumonia 50.00

Unable to attend Health Fair - See the Nurse at Hansford County Hospital

Screening Lab Tests (at Greatly Reduced Prices)!

Fasting for 10 hours prior to test is recommended. We can accept cash or check for payment of blood work.

kesuits will be maned to the patient.				
Thyroid Panel	Thyroid Function			
Lipid Profile	Cholesterol Level, Cardiac Risk Profile The identification and treatment of individuals who may be at risk for heart disease at an earlier age offers the possibility to prevent or delay the progression of the disease.			
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Complete Blood Count (CBC)	Screens for Many Conditions, Including Anemia and Infection			

Health Fair Price

Men \$45.00

Women \$35.00

In addition to flu shots and laboratory tests, there will be opportunities to talk with Hansford County Hospital District Healthcare Providers, As well as many providers of health-related services in the area.



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