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Name Plaque Presented To Hansford Manor

Irene Edwards presented cheted art is exquisite and now come by the Manor for a perwith a new name plaque in a ceremony held on Friday, Oct. 10th in the great room of the Manor. She stated that "she just wanted to give something back to the ones that had given her so much since she had come to live at the Manor"

Irene was born in Texas County, Oklahoma east of Hardesty on Dec. 12, of 1917, daughter of Henry and Bea Roper. She spent most of her teenage life north of Gruver with her family farming and ranching. After marriage she lived north east of Gruver in the Kimball community, later moving north of Gruver close to the F.A. Shapley place where they pursued farming and ranching.

Irene moved to Spearman in 1989 and then to the Manor to live almost two years ago. In the less than two years that she has been at the Manor she had made over 13 of the hand crocheted name plaques for different people. The idea came to her to "give back something" in July of 2003 and the work of art was completed in August. It was then taken to Amarillo to be matted and framed. Several employees, her family members, the H & M Board, and friends of Irene shared the cost of the framing.

The intricate detail of the cro-

Anne Snow of Hansford Manor graces the wall of the main sonal viewing of the new work of the newest addition to the entrance of the Manor. Please of art. The staff and residents of



Irene Edwards (right) presents Anne Snow of Hansford Manor with a new name plaque in a ceremony held on Friday, October 10, 2003 in the great room of the Manor. Below is a close-up of the artwork created by Irene



Side By Side Seminar Slated

Perryton ISD, Region 16 Education Service Center and the Perryton Special Education, SSA, are again cooperating to provide a workshop in Perryton for all parents, entitled "Side by Partnership. between

Parents and Schools This will be a fun and informative workshop sharing ideas and information for parents of infants through High School. Parents will have an excellent

Canadian Fall Foliage Festival

Spend a weekend enjoying the crisp, cool days of autumn with the Texas community that has turned the arrival of fall into an annual cause for celebration Canadian hosts its annual Fall Foliage Festival October 18 and

Visitors to Canadian can stop by the Welcome Center in the Chamber of Commerce Office for a complete listing of excit ing weekend activities. The office, located at 216 South Second Street on Highway 60/83, features schedules maps, directions, tickets and general information.

This year's celebration offers activities for the entire family Children and adults alike will enjoy wagon bridge rides, live falcon demonstrations, sing-alongs and an up-close-and-personal introduction to some of the local wildlife.

Visitors can explore the natural beauty of the Canadian River area with guided nature tours, rides across the Canadian River Wagon Bridge or visits to the Ranch and Wildlife Photo Exhibit or the Prairie Chicken Theater.

Fall foliage celebrants can also visit the annual Arts and Crafts Fair, take in special exhibits at the River Valley Pioneer Museum, admire local handiwork at the Quilt and Afghan Show or catch a matinee at the restored Palace

After a day of touring. exploring, shopping in Canadian's unique stores or enjoying mouth-watering food provided by local cooks, visitors can wind up Saturday nigh with the old-fashioned Prairie Rivers Musical and Sing-a-Long or the Fall Foliage Festival Dance.

For more information, call the Canadian Chamber of Commerce at 806-323-6234.

opportunity to learn skills that will make their home life more efficient, relaxed and fun. Educators, parents and teachers working side by side to help eliminate stress and focus on assisting their children make good choices will be the focus of this workshop.

Session one will begin at 9 a.m. and will end at 10:15.

Jo Mascorro will present "Communicating With That Special Child - YOURS!" This session will provide parents of preschoolers with a variety of strategies to enrich their communication with young children and increase the probability of having successful results when teaching their child acceptable behaviors.

Jo is a native Texan and an independent consultant who provides training throughout the nation in areas specific to behavior intervention practices, parenting skills and effective communication. She has over 20 years experience in the field of education.

Becky Hill will present "Accommodations for ALL!" This presentation is based on Linda Tilton's book, The Teachers Toolbox. Ideas on how to get students organized, and ways to communicate with parents, teachers and students will be shared. Attendees will learn some organizational skills which can be used at home and in the classroom.

"Get Real About Violence" will be presented by Teresa Cervantez. Information will be shared about vulnerability to violence at school, home and in our neighborhoods; the contributors of violence in our daily lives; and the positive and healthy alternatives to violence. Session two will begin at 10:30 a.m. and will end at 11:45.

"Dad, YOU Matter: And, Here's Why!" will be presented by Wendell Davis, Fatherhood Demonstration Project Coordinator for Texas Tech University

Dads will discover and discuss the unique contributions they make in the lives of their children from birth to forever. This session is for dads, granddads

and other male caregivers. Lana Fry will present "The Responsible Child." Children need to learn to be responsible for many things: homework, bedroom, chores, personal hygiene, and making wise decisions. Responsibility is learned behavior that children gradually develop through experience and practice and requires self-discipline. It means knowing not only what to do and when to do it, but why to do it. This session will provide strategies to help parents teach their children responsibility.

Jo Mascorro will also present "Looking Good Now and

The ability to change a person's behavior is extremely difficult, if not impossible! We do, however, have the ability to influence change in behavior by example, expectations, and teaching appropriate alternatives to inappropriate demonstrations. This session will give parents tools they need to make this happen.

Cindy Smith will present "What Every Parent Should Know.

This workshop will assist parents in understanding the dangers teens face regarding dating violence, date rape, and the date rape drugs. Information will be provided regarding teens' beliefs about these issues, the myths and facts of abuse in dating relationships, and preven-tion and intervention resources for parents.

Wayne Beighle, Public Information Officer for the Texas Department of Public Safety in Amarillo, will be featured as the after-lunch speaker, from 12:20-1:15 p.m.

Beighle will present "Stress on the Highways and Byways of Life!"He uses "highway humor" to bring smiles and laughter to his audience. Mr. Beighle has received many awards for his presentations throughout the nation. He has been a State Trooper for over 20 years. At the Texas Department of Public Safety, his duties include public relations, media relations and training. Wayne has appeared on national TV, commercials and is working on

his first humorous book. Session three will begin at 1:15 and end at 2:30 p.m. Sharon McQuay will present

"Read To Me!" This session will

show parents the fun and joy of reading to young children. Kids will love it and will ask for more! Parents will learn ways to spark the desire for children to want to learn to read. Reading is one of the greatest gifts we can give our children. Books will be given to some attendees.

Turning A Challenging Child Into A Charmer" will be presented by Jo Mascorro. Every decision has a consequence! This presentation will provide a number of strategies to assist you in teaching even the most challenging child how to take responsibility for the way he/she behaves in the home, classroom and community. You will be charmed and learn how laughter can help you in making this happen in a positive way.

Lana Fry will present that holds that holds people accountable for their actions. Responsible teens are capable of making choices among alternatives, can work independently, and are not afraid to make decisions that are different from those made by others in the group. As parents, we want our teens to be responsible. This session will present strategies to encourage the development of responsibility in your teen.

This workshop will take place on Saturday, October 25th from 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. at Wright Elementary/Williams Intermediate School in Perryton and will cost \$2 per person. A barbecue lunch will be served and day care will be provided by registering in advance.

Participants are encouraged to register early as some sessions may fill quickly. Pre-registration is required for baby-sitting services (children ages 2-10). Baby-sitting will take place at the Beehive and lunch will be provided.

For more information, or to register, please call Marsha Murphy at (806) 435-4412.

Bands To Compete

The Gruver Houndsound Band and the Spearman Lynx Band will compete in the district marching contest, Saturday, October 18th.

This is an important performance for these bands. Bands are able to advance to area competition every other year, and this is the year the band could advance to state competition. Gruver last advanced

The Grever Band is under the direction of Todd Parker and drum major Kaylee Crawford. The Spearman Band is under the direction of Anna Marie

Holland and drum major Bertha Ortiz.

City of Spearman Locks in Natural Gas Price

The City Council of the City of Spearman authorized City Manager Robert Patrick to lock in gas prices as of October 1, 2003. The city has contracted with West Texas Gas Marketing to purchase natural gas at the rate of \$5.62 per MCF including transportation. The city adds \$1.15 per MCF to the fee to pay for delivery, metering, personnel, dispatch and other gas related services, making the final cost to the customer will be \$6.77 per MCF.

The contract will continue through May of 2004, at which time the City will explore other contracts for the future. The City hopes gas prices will be less expensive at that time and will look to secure a longer term contract.

West Texas Gas and the City Council worked together to procure a five-year contract at \$2.88 per MCF, which started in June of 1998 and expired the end of May 2003. This contract saved \$962,087.55 during it's term compared to index pricing.

Gas market prices were over \$6.00 per MCF on the NYMEX and, with transportation and the cities charges, pricing starting June 1st were over \$7.50 per MCF. At the expiration of the five-year contract, the City Council agreed to purchase gas from West Texas Gas at market price plus transportation, with the option to lock-in prices if the markets came down.

If you have any questions about gas prices, please contact Robert Patrick, City Manager, at 659-2524.

Lynxettes Cross Country Move Up In State Rank

The state-ranked Spearman Lynxette Cross Country team made in impressive third-place showing at the West Texas A&M University Cross Country Meet, Saturday, October 11. This placing moved the Lynxettes state-ranking up to ninth from last week's enth place position.

With 25 schools competing, Canyon High captured top place honors with a score of 21 followed by Borger in second place with a score of 92, and Spearman (152) edging out Muleshoe (159). Panhandle was a distant fifth with 205 points.

Individual runners, their placings, and times were: 20. Tabatha Shields, 14:20; 31. Macy Harbour, 14:34; 32. Sonny Parker, 14:32; 36. Melissa Lesly, 14:45; 47. Ashlee Flowers 14:58: 54. Claudia Vaquera 15:07; 59. Tonya Hart 15:14.

The JV Lynxettes placed sixth of 11 teams competing at the WTAMU Meet. Runners were: 13. Rossilyn Bulls, 15:20, 23. Aleisha Sweat, 15:49; 25. Adriana Mendoza, 15:53; 74. Jenna McElroy, 18:13; 75. Mallory Paul 18:14.

The Lynxettes will run for the gold at the district 6AA track meet n Canadian on Monday, October 27.

Six Seek Appointment For **County Judge Position**

Hansford County Commissioners are in the process of consider-ing a candidate for the position of County Judge to replace current County Judge Jim D. Brown. Judge Brown has submitted his resignation, effective December 31, 2003, to pursue other interests.

Six people have officially submitted their name for consideration, including Richie Fletcher, Daven Winger, John Woodward Sr., Gary Ellsworth, Cody Cazares and Benny Wilson.

The Court discussed the nominees during the last two Commissioners' Court meetings, but discussion was tabled. They hope to reach a decision during their next meeting, scheduled for Monday, October 27th.

Once the Court makes a decision, this candidate will be able to observe Court proceedings and work with Judge Brown. The official appointment will be made on December 31st.

Judge Brown's term expires at the end of December, 2004. Those wishing to run for the office have until January 2, 2004 to file for a place on the ballot. Primary elections will be held in March, with the general election in November.

Election Results Announced

Randy Reid, Gruver Schools Business Manager, has announced that 120 votes were cast Saturday in the Wealth Equalization Election. Of those, 118 were for the the authorizing of the GHS board of trustees to educate students of other school districts and/or purchase attendance from the state with local tax revenues, and 2 were opposed.

Reporter-Statesman **Seeking Names of Military** Personnel, Veterans

The Hansford County Reporter State ing to update our list of veterans and active military personnel and reservists from Hansford County.

Please call the newspaper office at (806) 659-3434, fax to (806) 659-3368, e-mail information to CathyRSmft@aol.com, or mail to 213 Main 5 Spearman, TX 79081.

Military personnel will only be printed if we have the persons name, rank, address, branch of mavies, and the names of relatives living in Hansford County.

Names must be submitted by November 3.

by Catherine R. Smith CathyRSmit@aol.com



I had several friends send me the following entitled "The Cost of Raising Kids." I'm not sure who wrote it, but I did enjoy it and I hope you do, too.

The Cost of Raising Kids

The government recently calculated the cost of raising a child from birth to 18 and came up with \$160,140.00 for a middle-income family. (Talk about sticker shock!)

And that doesn't even touch college tuition.

But \$160,140 isn't so bad if you break it down. It translates into \$8,896 a year, \$741.38 a month, or \$171.08 a week. That's a mere \$24.24 a day! Just over a dollar an hour.

Still, you might think the best financial advice says don't have children if you want to be "rich." It is just the opposite. What do your get for your \$160,140?

Naming rights - First, middle, and last! Glimpses of God everyday.

Giggles under the covers every night.

More love than your heart can hold.

Butterfly kisses and Velcro hugs.

Endless wonder over rocks, ants, clouds, and warm cookies.

A hand to hold, usually covered with jam.

A partner for blowing bubbles, flying kites, building sand castles, and skipping down the sidewalk in the pouring rain.

Someone to laugh yourself silly with no matter what the boss said or how your stocks performed that day.

For \$160,140, you never have to grow up. You get to finger paint, carve pumpkins, play hide-and-seek, catch lightning bugs, and never stop believing in

You have an excuse to keep reading the Adventures of Piglet and Pooh, watching Saturday morning cartoons, going to Disneyland, and wishing on stars.

You get to frame rainbows, hearts, and flowers under refrigerator magnets and collect spray painted noodle wreaths for Christmas, hand prints set in clay for Mother's Day, and cards with backward letters for

For \$160,140, there is no greater bang for your buck. You get to be a hero just for retrieving a Frisbee off the garage roof, taking the training wheels off the bike, removing a splinter, filling a wading pool, coaxing a wad of gum out of bangs, and coaching a base-ball team that never wins but always gets treated to ice cream regardless.

You get a front row seat to history to witness the first step, first word, first bra, first date, and first time behind the wheel.

You get another branch added to your family tree, and if you're lucky, a long list of limbs in your obituary called grandchildren.

You get an education in psychology, nursing, criminal justice, communications, and human sexuality that no college can match.

In the eyes of a child, you rank right up there with God. You have all the power to heal a booboo, scare away the monsters under the bed, patch a broken heart, police a slumber party, ground them forever, and love them without limits, so one day they will, like you, love without counting the cost.

May God bless and keep you; May He make his face to shine upon you, and be gracious to you; May the Lord lift up is countenance upon you, and give you peace. Numbers 6:24-26

Catherine:)

From The Doctor's Desk



Linda Dodson, RN, MSN Women's Health **Nurse Practitioner** 710 Roland St. Spearman, Texas

Should you take

hormones, or not?
In January 2003, based on the findings of the Women's Health Initiative (WHI) study, the FDA advised women and health care professionals, that means a state of the care for the state of the state professionals that menopausal hormone therapy, estrogen and estrogen with progestin, is associated with an increased risk of heart disease, heart attacks, strokes and breast cancer. The warning emphasized that these products are not approved for heart disease prevention. The recommendation is that these drugs should only be used when the benefits clearly outweigh the risks. The drugs should be given at the lowest possible dose for the shortest duration possible.

If you are approaching menopause or are in menopause, you might wonder about hormone replacement therapy. Who should take hormones and who should not? This question does not have an easy answer.

Menopause is the normal change in a woman's life when she stops having her period. This occurs as a natural aging process of the ovaries, which results in a decrease of the hormones estrogen and processing mones estrogen and progestin. mones estrogen and progestin. Menopause may also be surgically induced when the ovaries are removed. Under normal circumstances, menopause ocum around age 45-55 years old. Most women will approach menopause about the same age that her mother did. A woman has reached menopause when she has gone 12 consecutive months without a period. months without a period.

Lower hormone levels in women can cause hot flahes, vaginal dryness, thin bones, night sweats and problems with sleeping. To help with these symptoms, women are given hormone therapy with estrogen and progestin.

Estrogen is given alone if the woman no longer has a uterus; however, both hormones must be given if the woman still has be given if the woman still has her uterus in order to prevent endometrial hyperplasia or thickening of the lining of the uterus, which is a condition that can lead to uterine cancer.

It is very important that were realize that this benefit.

women realize that this beneficial therapy also carries signifi-cant risks. Hormone therapy is a major, personal decision for women and they should know the latest facts to make the best decision for their needs. Each woman should discuss her individual risks and benefits of hormone therapy with her health care provider so that she can

care provider so that she can make an informed decision.

The benefits of hormone therapy that have been approved by the FDA include: a reduction of hot flashes, to treat vaginal dryness and to slow bone loss. Women need to weigh these benefits against the recent findbenefits against the recent findings of increased risk of heart disease, strokes, breast cancer, increased risk of blood clots and gallbladder disease and other serious health concerns. Experts use to believe that hormone therapy was also effective in the prevention of dementia and urinary incontinence. On the contrary, randomized trials recently show that combination horses thereby has shown as mone therapy has shown an increase in the incidence in dementia and urinary inconti-

Women who should not take hormone therapy include those women who: think that they are regnant, have undiagnosed vaginal bleeding, have had certain kinds of cancers, have had a stroke or heart attack in the past year, have had blood clots, or have liver disease. or have liver disease.

Presently, we do not know if herbs or other natural products are effective or safe. Studies are being conducted to determine their risks and benefits. There are alternatives to hormone therapy that may alleviate some of the symptoms of menopause, so even if you decide that you are not a candidate for hormone therapy, see your health care provider to discuss alternative therapies.

Things that you can do to improve your health whether you take hormones or not include: having regular check ups with your health care provider and discussing whether hormone therapy is right for you, don't smoke, eat right and watch your weight, ask if you should take calcium and vitamin D, discuss bone health evergise have your health, exercise, have your blood pressure, cholesterol, and blood sugar checked, and have a breast exam and a mammo-

HANSFORD HAPPENINGS

Hansford County District Clerk To Change Office Hours
The Hansford County District Clerk's Office will change
office hours beginning January 1, 2004. Hours will be from 8
a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday. In case of emergency between 4 and 5 p.m., call (806) 659-4110.

Register Tapes for Education
The Gus Birdwell Elementary PTO is proud to announce that they are saving register tapes for educational equipment. Register tapes can be collected from any Lowe's store and redeemed toward valuable educational equipment and more as computers, science, band or sports equipment and more as computers, science, band or sports equipment and more. The program kicked off on September 1, 2003 and register tapes can be collected until March 31, 2004. The students and faculty of Gus Birdwell Elementary would appreciate your support by saving your register tapes from Lowe's in order to help them receive their needed equipment. Register tapes may be taken to the Elementary Office.

Senior Citizen's Book Exchange
For those who are 55 or older and are tired of reading the same old book, come to the Golden Spread Center and exchange your book for something more exciting. Don't have a book to exchange? That's okay, come and get one any way. We have mysteries, biographies, romance, Christian books, you name it, we've got it! 9 a.m. - 4 p.m., Golden Spread Center, The O'Loughlin Center, 502 Brandt, 659-3030 Donations appreciated.

Storytime at Hansford County Library
Hansford County Library is hosting a storytime for children who are three years old up to five years old, but not attending kindergarten. This storytime will be held in the library each Thursday morning from 11 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. through Thursday, November 20th. There is no charge for this service and no prior sign up in present the service and no prior sign up in present the service and no prior sign up in present the service and no prior sign up in present the service and property. ice and no prior sign-up is necessary. If you have any questions about our storytime, please call the library at 659-2231 between 10 a.m. and 6 p.m. weekdays.

Adult English Classes Offered in Gruver
Adult English Classes will continue Thursday nights from 7:00 - 9:30 p.m. in the Gruver Junior High, 600 Garrett St.

4-H Smoked Meats Sale

4-H members across Hansford County are selling meats for their annual fund raising efforts. Products available include smoked and spiral hams, turkey, peppered turkey breasts, smoked or peppered bacon, beef or chicken fajitas, pork patties, breakfast burritos, sausage, egg and cheese biscuits, a Hunter's package (peppered turkey breast, pork loin, smoked bacon and jalapeno summer sausage) and sausage links. Funds benefit the awards program and recognition banquet for 4-H members. Orders must be received by October 17th, with a delivery date before Thanksgiving. Please contact a 4-H member or call the County Extension Office 659-4130 or 733-2901 to place your order.

SHS Pep Squad Car Wash
The Spearman High School Pep Squad will hold a car
wash Saturday, October 18, from noon until 5 p.m. in the Alco parking Lot. All profits will benefit the pep squad and be used to purchase attire and supplies that are needed. Donations are gladly accepted. In the event of rain or inclement weather, the car wash will be postponed until Saturday, October 25.

4-H Dog Care & Training Session
4-H is offering a Dog Care and Training Project for youth age 9-19 on Saturday, October 18th, from 9 a.m.-12 noon at the Spearman County Barn. Audra Thomas will lead the project. Participants must bring their dog on a leash. Call Peggy Winegarner, County Extension Agent, at 659-4130 or 733-2901 for more information.

Air Force Presentation/Meal
A U.S. Air Force Recruiter will be at the Panhandle Diner
and Deli for a presentation on Monday, October 20th at 6
p.m. All juniors and seniors are invited to enjoy a free meal
and presentation about the opportunities the Air Force has to

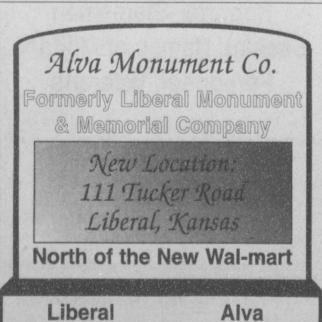
PANHANDLE PLANNER

Pampa Fine Arts Festival "Christmas in October," a craft and trade show sponsored Sharing Hope Ministry will be held at the Civic Center North Exhibit Hall in Amarillo Saturday, October 18, from 10-5. Vendors throughout the Panhandle are will host booths with a variety of arts and crafts, fine artwork, jewelry, gift items, activities for the kids, and a large holiday bake sale.

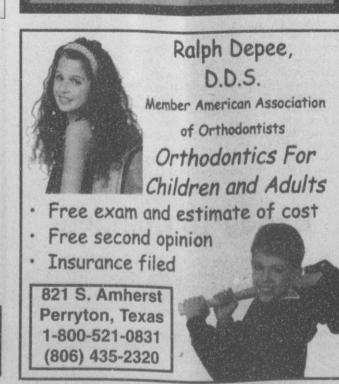
Wesley Methodist Church's Festival of Arts & Crafts
Wesley United Methodist Church of Hereford will be hosting its 23rd Annual Festival of Arts and Crafts, December
6th, from 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. at the Community Center in
Hereford. Only a limited number of booths are available.
Booth fee is \$10.00. Applications may be obtained by writing
or calling Ellen Collins, 801 Mile St. Hereford, TX 79045.
Phone: (806) 364-0774.

Golden Spread Council Promotes Scouting
The Golden Spread Council of the Boy Scouts of America is excited to help spread the word about Cub Scouting in our area. The Golden Spread Council invites families to find out more information about Cub Scouting by calling the Golden Spread Council 806-358-6500, to visit the Scout Service Center at 401 Tascosa Road in Amarillo, or to visit the website; www.goldenspread.org. site: www.goldenspread.org.





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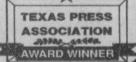
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Our Deepest Sympathy

LILLIE FLETCHER



GRUVER - Lillie Marie Fletcher, affectionately known as "Babboo", 95, passed away Wednesday evening, October 8th, 2003 at the Hansford Manor in Spearman, Texas.

The daughter of Belle and Joseph Harbaugh, she was born November 14, 1907 in Coldwater, Kansas. She was united in marriage to Gay Henderson Fletcher on February 21, 1923 in Liberal, Kansas. Mrs. Fletcher was a member of First Baptist Church, Gruver; was a Sunday school teacher for many years and was active in the. Women's Mission Organization.

A woman who fears the Lord is greatly to be praised. Proverbs

She was preceded in death by her husband of 52 years; an infant son, Joe Bill Fletcher; daughter, Phyllis Marie Fletcher Cutter; four brothers; three sisters; daughter-in-law, Josephine Fletcher; and a great grandson, Austin Allen.

Survivors include four sons, Gene Fletcher of Gruver; Don E. Fletcher and wife, Margaret of Denton, TX; Robert N. Fletcher and wife, Judy of Lake Tanglewood, TX: and Richie Fletcher and wife, Carolyn of Gruver; thirteen grandchildren; twenty-six great grandchildren; and fourteen great-great grandchildren.

Graveside services were Saturday morning, October 11th at 10 a.m. at the Gruver Cemetery. Memorial services followed at 10:30 a.m. at the First Baptist Church, Gruyer with Bro. David Fletcher and Bro. Scott Curry, officiating. Arrangements were by Henson-Novak Funeral Directors of Guymon, Oklahoma.

Memorials may be given to the Lottie Moon Mission Offering or Andy Fletcher, International Communities Foundation, a Christian outreach ministry to the children who are the next generation of the world's leaders, c/o Henson-Novak Funeral Directors, Box 1306, Guymon, OK 73942.



Boxwell Brothers Funeral Home 519 Evans · Spearman 659-3802

Dear friends,

When you buy a monument from us we make sure it is exactly what you want at a price you can afford. If it is not right, we will make it right. And you will not have to search the countryside to find us. We are here when you have a need.

Sincerely, **Bob Boxwell**



October

IS Domestic Violence Awareness Month

How You Can Help to End **Domestic Violence**

- 1. Model a non-violent, respectful response to resolving conflicts in your family
- Build a consensus among colleagues and friends that abusive behavior and language is unacceptable.
- 3. Learn about domestic services in your community or call 1-800-END-ABUSE for more info
- 4. Write to music producers, movie producers, Internet businesses, TV stations and video game producers to oppose violence

"Domestic Violence - It's Your Business!"

National Domestic Violence Hotline 1-800-799-SAFE Panhandle Crisis Center

Hansford, Ochiltree and Lipscomb Counties

24-hr-a-day crisis hotline 1-800-753-5308



2003--29.12 feet (-.04 feet)

Last week's rain seemed to have possibilities of raising the Lake level. The office gauge had 1.43 inches, but the one at the shop had only .70. The Harris ranch had 1.35 and the Lackey gauge showed 1.25, but Jim said neither creek had enough to run.

The cottonwoods in the Park area behind the dam are turning, but the ash trees at the office have already lost their leaves. It is fun now to watch for some of the stand out trees in both Gruver and Spearman.

Ronald Thompson of Hooker caught a 16# catfish this week, but overall not as many fish were being caught. A few boats were out. There were 5 campers at the hookups behind the dam and 2 on the office side. The only locals in the group were Don and Wanda Reed.

A deer was killed south of the

The white pelicans have continued at the Lake. Two of them stay away from the main group.

Since Hansford County is part of the Western Fly way for bird migrations this is an interesting time for anyone who gets out. Many hawks come through, but the red-tailed and Harris

hawks are year-round residents.

Dale Rollins, who writes for
the Livestock Weekly, compares the hawks to airplanes. The buteos (red-tailed, Harris, Swainson's, red-shouldered, and rough-legged) are the B-29's; the accipters (sharp-shinned and Cooper') are likened to the

fighter planes; the third group

has the marsh hawk which gets

compared to the A-10 Warthog. The B-29's or buteos are the ones that perch on highline poles or on dead trees. They like a meal of quail, but are too big and lumbering to be really good at catching them thus they wind up eating more rodents and rabbits. The smaller hawks or fight-

have most to fear. The Marsh or Harrier (Warthog) hawks fly low and slow, going back and forth across the land. They hover momentarily before stooping for attack. They rarely perch and are foraging much of the

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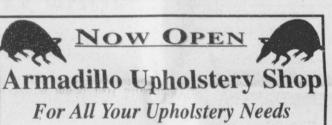
Rollins said that when mammals catch a bird to eat typically just feathers are left; no bones. Raptors usually strip the meat off the breastbone, and clip the wings as neatly as a pair

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October 16

Birthday - Buster Davis, Troy Miller, Tammy Benton, Virginia Fowler, Sammy Graham, Ann Pearson, Lola Joey Avince Landree Newcomb, Joey Avila, James Riley, Landree Woodward, Julie Payne, Meghan Stork October 17

George B. Birthday -Odom, Byron Peddy, Jackie Smith, Brad Beedy, Jeff Beedy, Carol Short, Erica Garrison, Misha Davis, Joe Paul, John Sullivan, Oscar Ortiz, Carolyn McLeod, Carolyn Burch, Jacob McLaughlin, Sandra Soto, Hugo Villa Jr., Joyce Sparks, Debbie Jacops, Regina

Anniversary - Edward & Theah Beck, Sharon & David

October 18 Birthday - Taos Weldon, Don Knox, Wilson McClellan, Jeff Hutchison, Angelica Arjona, Floyd Dean Gatlin, Chris Williamson, Elaine Swan, David Parker, Jan Morgan, Marla Bullard, Courtney Baca, Kristian Faith Burke, Ramiro Kristian Morales, Mike Gift

Anniversary - Mr. & Mrs.

Dave Christian October 19

Birthday - Brian Gillispie, Joe Lopez Sr., Colton Mayfield, Carol Tolleson, Phyllis Owens, Joe Vanderburg, Marietta Davis, Ken Shufeldt, Calvin Garrard, Jeremy Blan, Harold Anderson, Brenda Lee Soto, Wayne Pierson, Kathy Bryant, Bill Park Wheelock, Doran hals, Kenneth Schoenhals, Schufeldt

Anniversary - Mr. & Mrs. Jimmy Traylor October 20

Birthday - Marilyn Been, Kelly Boone, Brock Irwin, D'Anda Widener, Danny Ray Hendricks, Owen Hendricks, Montgomery, Melissa Cochran, Deborah Bishop, Melissa Billy Jones, Amy Stinson, Cara Nichols, Misty Wylie, Jeffrey Swan, Carrie Ceniceros, Angela Vela, Orie Cooksey, Cindy Sasser

Anniversary - Mr. & Mrs.

George Jackson, Ladd &
Cathy Gafford

October 21 Birthday - Don Hudson, fammy McLain, Bill Cope,

Tammy Blankenship, Brad Eschol Brown, Terry Austin, Kay Vernon, Dannie Garrard, Leslie Meritt Holton, Wade Burgess, Kathy Beck, Irene Tindell, Ed Williamson, Michael James Avila, Brian McLaughlin, Jana McCloy, Kara Townsen, C Boxwell, Trish Rosales Candy

October 22
Birthday - Kurt Etling,
Gertrude Archer, Danna Martin, Brent Ware, Guenna Wilson, Margaret Espinosa, Jared Hohertz, Sharon Austin, Misty Hand, Katie Sparks, Nae Gonzales, Charlie McIver, Britney Montgomery, Gregory Jacops, Matthew Younger Gregory Anniversary - Mr. & Mrs. Jerry Virden, Mr. & Mrs.

Steve Watkins October 23 Birthday - Annette McCloy, Mallory Reid, Clois (Billy) Baker, Christopher Mitchum, Rhema Dell Harris, Melanie Cook, Kerri Young, Tamra Young, Bruce Goehring, Ewan Fletcher

Anniversary - Mr. & Mrs. Joe Harris, Lynn & Sharion Cook, Mr. & Mrs. Joe Morris

October 24 Birthday - Sonny Blankenship, Gregg Haight, Sonny Doug Brown, Joyce Pierce, Lance Dennis, Christina Ceniceros, Josephine Ayers, Gaspar,

Johnson, Sonny Windom

Anniversary - Mr. & Mrs.
Don Lane Whitefield, Mr. &
Mrs. Don Moore, Mr. & Mrs.
James Walker, Mr. & Mrs.
Tim Garland

October 25

October 25

Birthday - Bailey Barkley,
Cindy Barkley, Opal Cindy Johnson, Mark McCloy, Samuel Sanchez, Floydette Seal, Norma Daniel, Willie Joe Salgado, Junior DeLaCruz, Sheryl Stafford, Junior Roman Arnold, Billy Clark

Anniversary - Mr. & Mrs. Tony Pacheco, Van & Kathy Lewis, Art & Teresa Maestas October 26

Birthday - Michael Foster, Laina Grotegutt, Amy Mounts, Elizabeth Mounts, O'Connell, Evelyn Brillhart, Jeanette Allen, Becky Evans, Ginger Nelson, Myrna Biggers, Mari West, Bradley Mares, Tracy Taylor, Mary Wright, Lindy Weldon, Pete Vera Forrest Lonez Pete Vera, Forrest Lopez, DeeDee Moreno, Pete Vera

Anniversary - Mr. & Mrs. Ramiro Arjona, Mr. & Mrs. Rod Been

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Hansford Manor Receives Perfect Health Code Survey

Texas Department of Human Services conducted its annual licensing and Medicaid certification survey inspection of Hansford Manor on September 15 through September 17, and again on September 24, 2003. The survey team consisted of a nurse, a social worker and a dietician. They spent two and a half days doing their survey.

We are proud to announce that we had a perfect Health Code survey, with no deficiencies written," said Anne Snow, Hansford Manor Administrator. The Health Code covers all

aspects of nursing home opera-tions, focusing particularly on the care and quality of life of the residents. "We must comply with hundreds of detailed federal and state regulations that govern every aspect of our residents' lives, from the medications they take to the food they eat," continued Snow.

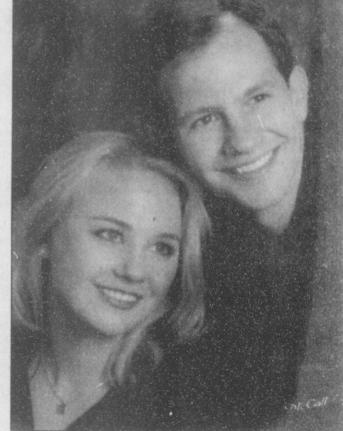
"It is an amazing accomplishment to have a zero-deficiency survey," said Snow. The national average is 8 deficiencies, while the average in the state is 7. This is Hansford Manor's sixth annual survey with no

The surveyors were very complementary about the quality of care that residents receive from nursing staff. "Nursing is the core of any nursing home. You can have the cleanest facility, the best food, and Elvis himself for entertainment, but if your residents are not wellgroomed, free of restraints and bed sores, and not receiving the attention they need, you will not have a good facility. We do have the cleanliness, the food, and even Elvis, so that's why Hansford Manor shines," said Snow. The surveyors commented that the kitchen was the cleanest they had ever seen, and expressed amazement with the number and variety of daily

The annual Life Safety Code inspection was done on September 25. They received four minor deficiencies, some of which were corrected before the surveyor left the building.

The excellent performance of Hansford Manor on this survey puts it in the top 5% of nursing homes in the U.S. Nursing home quality is scored by the U.S. Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) and by the Texas Department of Human Services. "I would like to thank all of

the HCHD staff, the Board of Directors, all of our volunteers and family members for making Hansford Manor what it is,



Reporters Honored With Award

Catherine Smith were named to the Media Honor Roll, a program sponsored by the Texas Association of School Boards (TASB). Carthel was nominated by the Gruver Independent Board of Trustees and Smith was nominated by the Spearman Independent Board of Trustees. Also nominated by the Spearman Board were Tim Harper, Spearmanlynx.com; Carolyn Cummings, KRDF-FM; Dwayne Smith, KRDF-FM; George Young, KRDF-FM; Danny Parker, KRDF-FM; Gary Ellsworth, KRDF-FM; and

Trace Worley, KRDF-FM.
The Media Honor Roll recognizes media representatives statewide who deserve recognition for fair and balanced reporting of news about public

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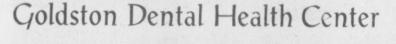
The 2003 Media Honor roll will appear in the August/September issue of TASB's "Texas Lone Star," and certificates were created for presentation at the local level.

Engagement Announcement
Mike and Kay Young of Lubbock wish to announce the engagement of their daughter, Melinda Young, to Crockett Tidwell.

Crockett is the son of Buck and Linda Tidwell of Gruver. The couple plans a December 4, 2003 wedding on Peter Island in the British Virgin Islands.

Melinda is a 1997 graduate of Monterey High School of Lubbock and attended Texas A&M University in College Station. She is employed by United Pharmacy in Lubbock

Crockett is a 1992 graduate of Gruver High School and a 1998 graduate of Southwestern Oklahoma State University School of Pharmacy in Weatherford, OK. He is a pharmacist for American Pharmaceutical Services in Lubbock.



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T.J. Worley (right) uses the air chamber in an experiment on

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Meetings & Minutes

Commissioner's Court

Meeting in regular session, Monday, October 13, 2003, the Commissioners Court meet with the following officers present: County Judge Jim D. Brown, and Commissioners Butch Reed of Pct. 1, Joe T. Venneman of Pct. 2, Tim Stedje of Pct. 3, Danny Henson of Pct. 4 and Kim Vera, County Clerk.

Others in attendance were: Wagner, Wanda County Treasurer; Cindy Scribner, County Auditor; and John L. Hutchinson, County Attorney.

Order approving the minutes of September 22, 2003: the was made Commissioner Reed and seconded by Commissioner Stedje to accept the minutes of the September 22, 2003 meeting. The motion carried 4-0. Review treasurers report and invest-Motion Commissioner Henson, seconded by Commissioner Reed to approve the Treasurer's report and investments as presented by Wanda Wagner, County Treasurer. Approved 4-0.

Order approving the payment f claims: Motion by Commissioner Stedje, seconded by Commissioner Hanson that the bills be paid including a bill presented last court date for the part-time Criminal Investigator in the District Attorney's office. Passed by a vote of 4-0.

Auditor's monthly financial statement: The Court reviewed the Auditor's monthly financial statement, approval was made on a motion by Commissioner Henson and seconded by Commissioner Reed. with the motion carrying by a 4-0 vote.

departmental Motion Commissioner Henson, second Commissioner Reed to approve the following departmental reports: County Judge, Justice of Peace, County and District Clerk, Extension Office, and Station Master's House Museum. Motion carried by a 4-0 vote. Road Easements for Panhandle Telephone: Be it agreed upon a motion from Commissioner Stedje and second by Commissioner Reed that the Panhandle Telephone Coop, Inc. be granted the right to locate, construct and maintain communication lines between or along Section 97, Block 2, BH&H RR. Approved by a vote of 4-0.

easement for Duke Road Energy: Be it agreed upon a motion from Commissioner Reed and second Stedje that Commissioner DEFS Andarko Gathering,LP be granted the right to locate, construct, and maintain a pipeline between or along Section 125 and 126, Block 4T T&NO

Survey. Motion carried by a 4-0

Consideration of making courthouse smoke-free: Motion to enforce a smoke-free courthouse made was Commissioner Venneman, second from Commissioner Stedje. There will be temporary location for smoking outside the East entrance of the courthouse and the employee parking lot. Approved by a vote of 4-0.

Consideration of applicants for the position of County Judge to replace current County Judge Jim D. Brown, upon his resignation effective December 31, 2003: The Court moved into executive session at 11:45 a.m. for discussion. Decision was tabled.

Resolution to apply for indigent defense grant: A resolution to designate the County Judge as Program Director and contact person for the Indigent Defense Grant and Cindy Scribner, the County Auditor as Financial Officer for the grant was approved on a motion by Commissioner Reed and seconded by Commissioner Henson. Motion approved by a

Adjournment: There being no further business to come before this Court at this time, the motion was made Commissioner Stedje, second by Commissioner Venneman that this regular meeting be adjourned until the next regular meeting to be held October 27,

TEEA Extension

Town and Country Home Demonstration Club met at noon on September 9, 2003.

Discussion was held regarding the Lunch and Learn to be held on September 25th at noon.

Discussion was also held on participating in the October Fest on October 25, 2003 at the O'Loughlin Center. It was voted to have a Fishing Game and Confetti Eggs.

Discussion was held on helping with Manor Bingo on October 6th and 13th. We are to provide snacks each night and

assist residents in playing bingo. Thirteen members attended the noon meeting.

Gladiola Flower Club

The Gladiola Flower Club met in the home of Muriel

The meeting opened with an informative and interesting program on "Themed Gift Ideas" presented by County Agent Peggy Winegarner. Some of the many gift ideas shown were: A basket full of chocolate treats for that someone who's nuts about chocolate; a stock pot full of "soup-r" gifts; and for that avid golfer in your life, a golf

hat brimming full of treasures!
President Margarette Evans called roll with members answering their Christmas Eve

Virginia Trindle gave the trea-

Muriel Boyd won potted plant and Virginia Trindle won speci-

Those present were: Dickie Allen, Muriel Boyd, Verna Brown, Wanda Brown, Dorothy Buzzard, Betty Jean Davis, Margarette Evans, Estelle Jackson, June Jackson, Lorene Norma Jean Kunselman, Mackie, Eloise Renner, Pam Schnell, Kathleen Sutton, Virginia Trindle and Judy Yarbrough.

The next meeting will be in the home of Dickie Allen.

Hansford Hospice

The meeting of the Hansford County Hospice Volunteers was called to order by President Verna Lee Shirley on October

The November 9, 2003 memorial services will be held in the First Baptist Church of Spearman. Gary Smith will give the program. After the service, installation of officers for the upcoming year will be held. There was a request for someone to be in charge of refreshments for this memorial service. Elaine Odegaard will help if someone else will be in charge.

The Lights of Love will be held on December 8, 2003. Jolinda Hutchison will get entertainment. Elaine Odegaard will be in charge of gazebo decorations. Mary Kay Harbour will fix the punch, and Linda Lieb will help with desserts.

Discussion was held regarding the doves for the trees at the banks. Linda Lieb will chair getting the doves and committees to work on them.

Ken Cole announced that he will take care of the newsletter through the end of the year. Cathy Smith agreed to take over in January.

The nominating committee's recommendation for officers were: President - Verna Lee Shirley; Vice-President - June & Doyle Jackson; Secretary -Jolinda Hutchison; Treasurer -Pat Sutterfield; Corresponding Secretary/Memorials - Betty Jean Davis; Historian - Linda Lieb; Program Director Carolyn Hicks.

Joan McClellan made a motion to accept officers by acclamation. This was seconded Kay Harbour.

Approved. Charla Hargis gave a report on patient census.

Among The Neighbors

An item in this column last week stated that Don Knox and "Flora" were now living in an assisted living facility. Now, neighbor Knox is probably known for his active life style, but it's doubtful if his wife, Gloria, would accept this public announcement. He probably will claim that it is a "typo" from the writer of the column

(which it is). Neighbor, I hope this gets you off the hook.

Eulalie Greever has been changing her life style the last month. She and W.R. enjoyed their stay in the mountains with many old friends, but for the last month she has spent most of the time in Northwest Texas Hospital in Amarillo. She was rushed there by ambulance a month ago. She had four stents put in her heart.

Their daughter, Billie and hus-band Leslie Reynolds of San Antonio were here for ten days for the first operation. Their other daughter, Helen Batson of Lucas, Texas was with them for the last operations. Their sons, Steve of Spearman and Robert of Perryton were also in atten-

She is doing fairly well at this

They are presently living at the assisted living home in Perryton. Their present address is 401 SW 24th Ave., Perryton, Texas 79070.

Columbus Day started out to be a dull holiday for me (noth-

ing as elaborate as the day where I used to live-Ohio. It is a strong labor union state. Then, the day turned into a festive day when my grandson & family arrived and also granddaughter and son, Keven and Cara Fisher with Zack and Kord. They were accompanied by granddaughter Kelli and son, Peyton Little. They are from Memphis and livened the holiday up consider-

Don, Lorene, Carl and Janie Kunselman had a visit with Karla and her son Dylan Acton from Norman, Oklahoma. Hansford Manor residents got to see Dylan's two new teeth. Dan and Celeste Kunselman and the their son, Carl from Rolla, Kansas met with Carl & Janie to let everyone see their new car.

There was an interesting article on Sheriff R.L. McFarlin in the October 14th edition of the Amarillo Globe-News. In this article it stated that R.L. started working in law enforcement until something else got open.

Well, he has been in law enforcement for 40 years now and this writer thinks that he and his wife Kay have been a very good addition to Hansford

Britt Jarvis is recovering from his hip replacement recently. He stated that he did not recommend it as a fun experience. However, he and Linda did enjoy going to Dallas last weekend for their grandson, Luke's birthday. They enjoyed the visit with Luke's mother Bonnie also.

Bob and Jackie Pearson are baby sitting with granddaughter Caroline, 10 months old while daughter Carrie attends a seminar in Boulder, Colo.

Carrie and husband, Trey brought her and then Trey returned to Houston when Carrie left for Boulder. Caroline is helping his grandmother at their office.

Son-in-law of Marguerite Nelson, Charles Traylor, son of Athalie and Joe Traylor from Dalhart is having surgery in Houston.

Claudine Clark's son Roney and grandson Rye had a wreck last Tuesday by Morse. The pickup they were driving

rolled over. Rye only had a few bruises, but Roney had 5 fractures in 3 vertebrae's in his neck. They performed surgery on Roney's neck at Northwest Texas Hospital.

Merry Sparks went by to visit with him and his mother and reported that Roney is doing very well. By Monday of this week he was up walking with a walker and shows no signs of paralysis.

He was able to go home on Wednesday.

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Halloween Carnival Nears

Preparations are underway for the PTO Annual Halloween Carnival which is set for Saturday, November 1, in the elementary gym.

Food booths will open at 5:30 p.m. with costume judging set for 6:30 p.m. and games beginning at 7 p.m. A spook house will be set up by the GHS junior class.

Booths for the carnival are \$15 each. Renea Swink, carnival coordinator, will take booth through Monday, October 27. Booth renters are responsible for setup before the carnival and cleanup after the

All booth rental money will benefit the projects of Gruver

Rainfall Recorded

The City of Gruver reported .71 inch of rain from October 8

No Freeze Reported

lowest temperature reported for the 2003 autumn season has been 38 degrees on October 13.

The average freeze date for Hansford County is October 14.
Last year, the first freeze was reported on the evening of October 24 when the mercury dipped to 30 degrees. In 2001, the first freeze was registered October 6.

EMT's Needed

Last year the City of Gruver asked for volunteers willing to train as Emergency Medical personnel to serve the Gruver Community. These volunteers are still very much needed.

Presently, Gruver has only five EMTs. Of course, any or all of the EMT may not be available or even in the county at a time of need.

If the Gruver EMTs cannot respond in five minutes, Spearman EMTs are called. In emergencies, seconds count, and it is a greater distant for Spearman EMTs to respond to a call in Gruver.

If you or 18 or older and would like to serve your com-munity as an EMT, the cost of training is provided.

Call Gruver City Hall 733-2424, if you are willing to help your neighbors in this lifesaying endeavor.

Flu Clinic Has Busy Morning A steady flow of patrons visited the Gruver Flu Shot Clinic last week.

One hundred shots were administered during the threehour clinic. Five people were turned away near closing time due to lack of vaccine.

For any one who did not get the flu shot at the Gruver Flu Clinic, the shots will be given at the Health Fair in Spearman, October 31, at the O'Loughlin Center.

The shots are free for those with Medicare cards, or the health fair will bill Medicare. For others, the price will be

Harvest Has Slow Beginning

"Corn is trickling in." according to Rhonda Christian, secretary of the Gruver branch of the Sunray Coop.

Due to weather conditions, corn moisture is remaining too high for harvesting. The price for corn at the Gruver elevator was \$2.37 on October 14.

Some dryland milo is being brought to the elevator, but irrigated milo is also too high in moisture content to harvest at

Community Care Concerns Kristina Lindsay, the twoyear old granddaughter of Sherry and Arnold Beck, has been diagnosed with cancer and will be undergoing treatment.

Mary Gruver is recuperating at home following her hospital-ization for a viral blood infec-

V. B. Morris been able to return to his apartment in Dallas after being hospitalized with a complication following a liver transplant.

Beverly Bennett had a cancerous nodule removed last week but received good news that no further surgery is

Boots Williams is recovering from ankle surgery. A plate and five pins were required in the

Mike Former resident Burnam received a good report following surgery to remove an oral malignancy.

P.D. Swink had hand surgery several weeks ago and is heal-

Big Brit Pierson made his first trip to Gruver this week to a baby shower in his honor. Brit was born in April weighing only one pound and a few

The little lad is now close to nine pounds and is at home with his parents Marty and Viva (Renner) Pierson of Fort Worth.

Welcome (Back) To Gruver Anne Whitaker is again a Gruver resident. She resides on Tenth Street and has already become active in the community by bringing Bible lessons to residents of Hansford Manor. Welcome home, Anne!

Condolences Expressed Sympathy is extended to the family of Lil Fletcher, 95, who passed away last week. Her memorial service was Saturday

Former resident, David Fletcher, delivered a moving tribute to his grandmother.

Immunization Clinic Set

An immunization clinic for vaccines for childhood illnesses will be held Friday, October 17, from 10 .am. until noon in the junior high library.

Cazares To Address Stratford Students

Cody Cazares will speak to Stratford High School students Friday, October 17 as a part of America's Promise, a nationwide program that is promoted by community bankers.

GHS Open House Successful GHS Principal Mike King termed the GHS open house "a

great success. Attendance at the event was above expectations with some teachers reporting parental attendance.

Students whose parents attended the event were treated to an extended lunch break.

Teacher Becomes Citizen

Spanish teacher Carmelo Acevedo became a United States citizen this week. He was honored at GHS on Wednesday, October 15, on his first day of citizenship.

Acevedo was elated to have competed all procedures and requirements to be able to obtain the citizenship status and voting rights.

by Merry Sparks

Gruver United Methodist Church started off our week by holding services Sunday afternoon at the Manor. We appreciate the churches that come to bless our residents with a church service. Many of the residents are not able to go out of the Manor for church services so we say to all of you that participate---what a worthy ministry!!! Thank you and thank

Monday got going with exercise class. Just so we don't get too worn out leading the class, the physical exercises are interspersed with mental exercises and interesting facts. That afternoon the residents gathered in the activity room and made thank you cards for the dietary staff out of construction paper complete by decorating the cards on the outside and hand written thank yours on the inside of the cards. When that was completed the residents prepared large baking potatoes that would be baked and served to the dietary staff on Tuesday for lunch at a baked potato pile on. Last week was National Dietary Week and we wanted to honor our dietary staff because they are at the top of their class. We appreciate them very much.

Monday night bingo was hosted by the Town & Country Texas Extension Education Association. The residents enjoyed bingo and the delicious desserts that were served. Thank you!!

Tuesday morning we started off rocking with the rhythm of the Hansford Manor Musercise Band. Nothing else lifts the spirits around here like the music of musercise. It can be heard for a country block. I have received a few complaints from some staff since their office is right in the middle of it all but what can I do? It is way too much fun to stop so they just join in. They are really good sports and if the residents are happy they are

happy.

That afternoon we gathered in

the activity room. Last spring the residents had made spring floral arrangements and so this fall Jane Whitford of Guymon came down again to lead the residents in fall floral arrangements. The activities staff and Skeeter Russell, Maylynn Ayers, Kari Lou Russell, Corbin Russell, of Canyon, Tx. with Jane in the lead put together lovely baskets and hats full of fall flowers and leaves. The Manor is officially in the "Fall" mode now. When crafts were finished fresh apples from Colorado were distributed to staff and residents that were donated by Irvin and Betty Jean Davis. Thank you to the Davis'!

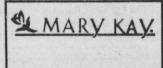
Wednesday morning was filled with delicious donuts served by Sandi Foster and bible study led by Anne Whitaker. Thank you Anne! The rest of the day was filled with visitations and t.v. since the activity staff was tied up. Sandi made a medical transport and Merry Sparks, Kunselman, and Ernestina Salgado were in Amarillo for a seminar held on the latest information for Activity Programming in Long Term Care sponsored by Cross Country University. Much helpful information was presented as well as information on the forms that have to be completed to comply with State and Federal laws.

Thursday morning was heralded with a very competitive game of kickball followed with a presentation ceremony from

Irene Edwards to Hansford Manor of a new name plaque that was hand crocheted by Irene. The story is in another portion of this paper. That afternoon the Ladies Axillary hosted bingo for the residents. They are ever faithful with their service and Muriel Boyd went the extra mile by bringing homemade cookies that were served after-

Friday morning was filled with an interesting news report of current events worldwide. In the afternoon we had a special Queen for a Day" ceremony. Janie Kunselman was crowned as the Queen for the Day.She had no idea that she was going to be the queen and was extremely surprised. She was crowned with a lovely straw hat with flowers hanging off of it. Her robe was a luxurious hospital gown turned around backwards and her scepter (or was it a septic scepter?) was a commode plunger decorated with ornate flowers on top complete with ribbons flowing the length of the handle. A delicious raspberry punch was served as the memories and precious sentiments from residents and staff were shared by Merry as the emcee. The occasion was filled with "precious memories" and raucous events. We had a great time!!! It has been proven that every deep belly laugh we have extends our lives, increases endorphins, decreases depression and increases our sense of well being. Well, all I can say about that is that we must have added years to our lives Friday afternoon!! Afterward we had a special showing of Tom Sawyer.





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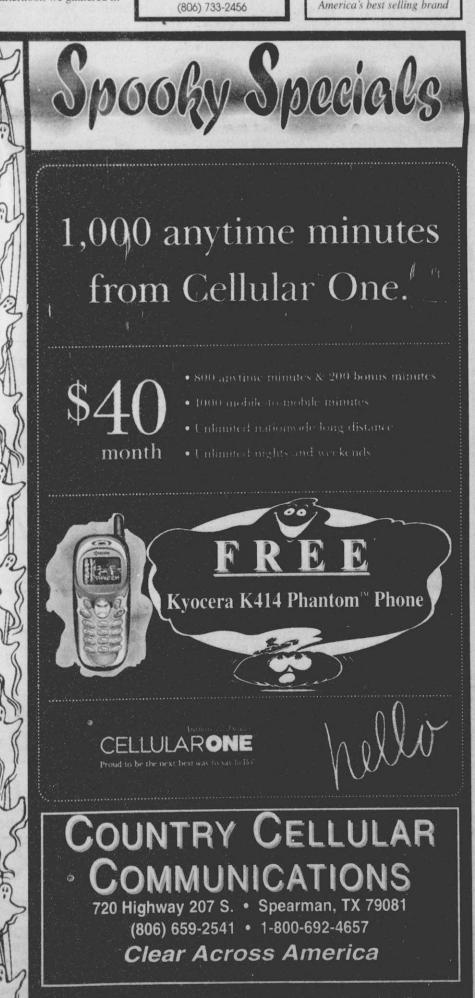
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SCHOOL NEWS

Gruver Elementary

Halloween Parties will be held Friday, October 31, with elementary students parading their costumes at 2:00 p.m. and returning to their rooms for parties beginning at 2:30 p.m.

Pre Kindergarten and Kindergarten students are receiving eport cards every nine weeks rather than every six weeks. Grades 1-4 will continue to receive report cards every six weeks. The pre K and kindergarten students will receive their report cards October 17, with their assembly for awards and honors slated for October 24.

Gruver Jr. High School

The Junior High Hounds will travel to Booker Thursday. October 16, for a 5 p.m. meeting with the Kiowas. The Hounds will host Vega October 23, at 5 p.m.

The Junior High Hounds played to a 12-12 tie in their October 2nd. football game with Sunray.

After Sunray scored twice before half on a 3 yard and a 14 yard run, the JH Hounds came back with a 10 yard touchdown pass from Seth Thompson to Thomas Madden and a 3 yard run

by Madden to even the score. The Junior High Hounds fell to Stratford last week 6-36. Gruver's score came on a 38 yard run by Caleb Shults.

Gruver High Schools

The United Methodist Church of Gruver will host a fifth quarter for GHS students after the Booker game, Friday, October 17

The Gruver Houndsound Band will compete in the district marching contest Saturday, October 18, at Kimbrough Stadium, north of Canyon. They are scheduled to perform at 10:48 a.m.

Junior students will take the Preliminary Scholastic Assessment Test (PSAT) Tuesday, October 21.

GHS Seniors will enjoy a college day at Borger Wednesday morning, October 22, at Frank Phillips College. Representatives from numerous colleges as well as US service recruiters will be available to answer questions.

The Gruver Church of Christ will honored the 2003 GHS sen ors and their sponsors with a banquet and entertainment, Monday, November 3, in the church fellowship hall.

The Junior Varsity Hounds were tripped up by Stratford Thursday, October 9. Crispin Borunda scored for the Hounds on a 20 yard run.

Lions Club guests this week will be seniors Cynthia Briones and Rufino Gonzales.

..... **Gus Birdwell Elementary**

Red Ribbon Week will be observed October 27-31. Each day children will have new activities. Monday, October 27 will be crazy shoe day to stomp out drugs. Tuesday, October 28 will be poster day, Wednesday, October 29 will be bright color day, Thursday, October 30 will be dress as your hero day, and Friday, October 31, will be purple and white day. There will also be a program with the drug dog at 8:30 p.m. Friday, October 31.

Gus Birdwell Night will be held at Pizza Hut on Thursday, October 30, and the school will receive a portion of the night's proceeds. You must have a form from the school to present at Pizza Hut. These forms are sent home with students, or may be obtained at the school office.

Little spooks should remember that Thursday, October 30 has been declared Trick or Treating night in Spearman.

............ Spearman Jr. High School

The Junior High Lynx will travel to Highland Park, Thursday, October 16, with games beginning at 5:00 p.m.

Red Ribbon (Drug Awareness) Week is slated for October 27-31. Notes have been sent home with parents explaining the activities of the week which are being coordinated by Cindy Blackman and Karen Hartgraves.

Spearman High School School

The Spearman Lynx/Lynxette Booster Club meets every Tuesday at 7 p.m. at Spearman High School.

The Spearman Lynx Band will be hosting their annual Mexican Dinner on Friday, October 17, from 5-7 p.m. in the high school cafeteria. Tickets are \$5 each for adults, \$3.50 for children 10 and under, and children under 3 eat free.

The Spearman Lynx will host Highland Park on Friday, October 17th with kick-off at 7:30 p.m.

The SHS Pep Squad will have a car wash Saturday, October

18, from 12-5 p.m. The Spearman Lynx Band will be competing in the area

marching contest Saturday, October 18, at Kimbrough Stadium, north of Canyon. There will be a fall concert by the SHS Choir Tuesday,

October 21 at 7:00 p.m. in the high school auditorium.

Spearman High School Juniors will take the PSAT on October 21st.

The Spearman Lynx will travel to Boys Ranch on October 24th with kick-off at 7:30 p.m.

The ACT test will be given at Spearman High School on Saturday, October 25th, beginning at 8 a.m.

A Side-by-Side Parent Conference will be held in Perryton on Saturday, October 25th, beginning at 9 a.m. Anyone interested should contact Cindy Blackman at 659-3233.

The Spearman Girls Cross Country, now ranked 9th in the state, will compete at the district cross country meet in Canadian Monday, October 27 at 2 p.m.

Red Ribbon Week will be observed at SHS October 27-31. Activities will include: Monday, October 27 - Pledge to stay drug free with students signing their names to a banner in the hall pledging to stay drug free; Tuesday, October 28 - Wear Red Day with students wearing as much red as possible.; Student should bring their baby picture for Wednesday's display and put their first and last name on the back and give picture to Mrs. Baird. Pictures will be returned to you in a week or so. Wednesday, October 29 - Born to be drug free with students bringing baby picture for hallway display with names on back of picture; Thursday, October 30 - Student Choice Day with students permitted to wear a hat or cap to show support for Putting a Cap on Drugs; Friday, October 31 - Show Your School Spirit and Be Drug Free day with students wearing purple.

********************************* **Pringle-Morse School**

An early dismissal at noon on Friday, October 10 will precede October 13 school holiday. School resume at the usual time Tuesday, October 14.

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Lynx Take Big Win From Comanches

by Harletta Carthel

The Lynx used a triple whammy in the fourth quarter to thwart a West Texas comeback and take a 34 -7 district win.

Suffering losses to district powerhouses Panhandle and Canadian, the revenge-minded Lynx amassed a fourteen point lead in the second quarter.

With West Texas cutting that lead in half early in the final period, Spearman exploded with three touchdowns in six minutes to secure their first district victory.

Spearman's late-game scoring blitz came on a 35 yard pass from Garrett Martin to Jeff Brock, followed by a 10 yard run by Marcus Vasquez, and a 25 yard dash by Isaac Herndon.

Rounding out the Lynx's scoring were two PAT kicks by Jerry Anaya, one kick by Jesus Ramirez, and a Martin/Brock pass.

Game at a Glance

| First downs Yards Rushing Yards Passing Total Yards Comp/Att/Int Fumbles/Lost Punts/Avg. | Spearman 19 272 89 361 6/11/0 0/0 2/30 | West Texas 12 93 25 118 3/19/2 1/1 3/30 |
|--|---|--|
| Penalties/Yards | 11/90 | 4/35 |

GHS Cross Country Team Competes

The GHS Girls Cross Country team was a part of the Buffalo Stampede as they placed 18th of 25 teams in the WTAMU Cross Country Meet Saturday.

The district cross country meet is slated for Tuesday, October

28, at Thompson Park in Amarillo. The top three teams of the 12 competing will advance to area competition as well as the top three individual runners.

Shields Wins, Places In Cross Country Meets

Tara Shields, Pringle-Morse CISD eighth grader, won the junior high division of the Sunray Cross Country Meet on October 4.

At the Buffalo Stampede held at West Texas A&M on October 11, she finished in hird place in the junior high division.



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After a scoreless first period, Spearman's two tallies in the second quarter came on a six yard pass from Martin to Rickey Garcia and a three Yard run by Vasquez.

The Lynx dominated the game in the air and on the ground with 364 total yards to 139 for the Comanches.

Spearman will seek a second district win and a chance to advance to the playoffs when they host Highland Park, Friday, October 17.

Lynx Players of the Week



Jeff



Russell





Defense

Brock

Hounds Fall To State Contender

by Harletta Carthel

Rated number two in the state and first in the Harris power rankings, the Stratford Elks gave the Hounds a one-two punch of touchdowns in each of the first three periods of play to take a 42-

In the district opener game, Gruver found the end zone halfway through the second quarter with a 20 yard touchdown pass from Lance Williams to Ryan Winger as the Elks led at half-time 28-7.

The Elks were scoreless in the third quarter until 4:21 when Elk quarterback Josh King capped a drive with a three yard run and encored with a 36 yard pass to Tyler Haynes in the final minute of the period.

Brock Irwin was the leading rusher with 56 yards on 3 carries while Carlos Jacquez with 112 yards on 22 caries. Other Gruver ground gainers were Salvador Luciano, 11 carries for 40 yards, Tyler lane, 8 carries for 38 yards, and Ryan Winger,

carries for 20 yards. In passing, Lance Williams was 2 of 8 for 30 yards, Garrett Miner was 1 of 5 for 25 yards, and Luciano was 1 of 2 for 12

Receivers were Irwin with one catch for 25 yards, Miner with ne catch for 12 yards, Ryan Winger with one catch for 20 yards and one touchdown, and Luciano with one catch for 10 yards.

The Hounds will look for their first district win when they hos the Booker Kiowas Friday, October 17.

Game at a Glance

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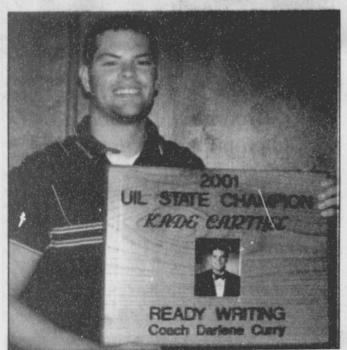


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Gruver High School's three state UIL Champs honored for the first time with newly-created plaques in the high school library are (above) Kade Carthel - 2001 gold medalist in Ready Writing, (below, left to right) Terri Brandvik - 1974 gold medalist in Impromptu Speaking and Nancy Hudson Sambalew -1967 gold medalist in Type Writing.





Texas FFA Launches Project To Reconnect With Former Members

The Texas FFA Association has launched a program to reconnect with the hundreds of thousand of students that have worn the distinctive blue and gold FFA jacket over the last eight decades. "The Texas FFA is celebrating 75 years of success through youth leadership development and agricultural education," said Tom Maynard, executive director of the Texas FFA program.

"We want to hear from our former students about how their lives have turned out and how their FFA training helped them.

To assist alumni in reconnecting with the organization, the Texas FFA has launched a new website: www.texasffa.org. Alumni can visit the website and click on the 75th Anniversary logo to submit their contact information.

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work ethic. "We believe FFA has matured into a progressive, inclusive and diverse youth organization teaching leadership, technology, career and character development," said Tobin Redwine, this year's stu-dent president of the Texas FFA Association. "We are eager to hear from all generations of former FFA members about how FFA has impacted their lives."

The Texas FFA is the nation's largest state FFA association with a membership of 58,753 and 977 local affiliates.

by Harletta Carthel
Although decades separate graduates Nancy
) Sambaiew, Terri (Hudson) Sambaiew, Terri Brandvik, and Kade Carthel, the (Hudson) three share a common bond as state UIL academic champions.

The three have now been recognized with plaques in their honor in the Gruver High School Library.

"We recognize our athletic success and our band success, and this was a special way to recognize our students who succeed in UIL academic events, " Mike King Gruver High School Principal said.

The project of honoring the academic state championship with plaques was begun by for-mer GHS Superintendent Laura Blassingame in 2001 when Gruver had three state champions, one in track, one in tennis, and one in academics.

After arranging for the athletic state banners to be made to hang in the varsity gym, Blassingame also made plans the academic state win of Carthel.

Research revealed that two other students in the school's history had also won UIL state academic awards, but had never been honored with plaques as the state athletes had. had. Blassingame then sought to honor the trio of students.

Nancy Hudson Sambajew was the first Gruver student to take gold at the UIL State Meet in 1967 in typewriting competi-tion. She was coached by Wanda Jones, now retired, of Spearman.

'I didn't really think I would win the state contest, I was just trying so hard not to embarrass teacher,' modest Sambaiew said. "I didn't want to humiliate Mrs. Jones.

Bring your own typewriter was the rule in the 1967 contest. where competitors were judged on speed and accuracy.

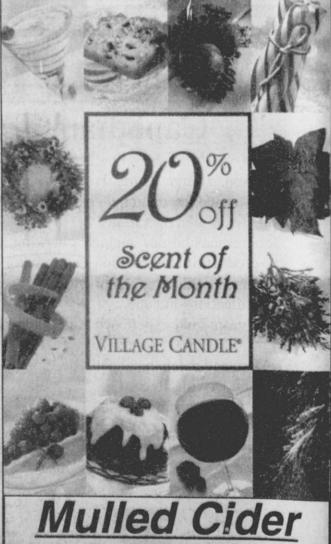
Sambaiew remembers learning of her win by overhearing a discussion of the printing style of a letter on her machine

Her state-winning skills were not in vain as Sambaiew used her talent throughout her career.

"Keyboarding is a skill I constantly use. Without that skill, I would not have been able to do my job as well," Sambaiew said.

Sambaiew's career from which she recently retired has been as outstanding as her state win. She served as consul general in Ottawa, Canada, Moscow, Tokyo, and Paris, France.

She and her husband who is the diplomat in residence at the University of Oklahoma, now divide their time between their



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and Gruver. "The joy of learning stays with you all your life, " Sambaiew said. "I give my par-ents credit for instilling that in

Gruver's second state academic win came in 1973 when Terri Brandvik, who was coached by Bob Haggard, won the gold medal in impromptu speaking.

"I have often wanted to look up Mr. Haggard and express my thanks to him for the skills he taught me," Brandvik said. They have been so important in my life and my career.

Brandvik, now lives in Columbus, Ohio and is a Senior Management executive of Aroyo Avaya in telecommunications voice mail.

Kade Carthel, Gruver's third

state champion, learned of his gold medal win in ready writing at the Junior Senior Prom in

"I had learned that I won second in the state headline contest before we left Austin, but we had to fly home for the prom before the results of the ready writing contest ceremonies, Carthel said.

"My coach, Darlene Curry, leaned of the win first and announced it at the prom. It was great to be with my friends and classmates when I heard the news," Carthel said.

A sophomore biology pre-med major at Abilene Christian University, Carthel feels the time spent in preparing and competing in ready writing was valuable, "Good writing skills are so important in anything you do," Carthel said.

As for the state win, "I told Mrs. Curry when I walked out of the state contest that I had won the gold medal. It was one of those times when everything just came together, and you knew it," Carthel said.

The plaques, made at no expense to the school, are fashioned of oak donated by Ronnie Williams of Bartlett's Ace Hardware in Gruver, with Archie Nelson donating his

woodworking abilities The three new state champion plaques are displayed in the Gruver High School Library in hopes of inspiring more students toward UIL academic honors.

As Mr. King observed at the hanging of the plaques, "There is enough room for many oth-

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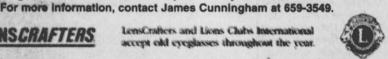
Get ready! Volunteers will be in your area trick-or-treating for used eyeglasses and sunglasses this Halloween.

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Students and Cub/Boy Scouts will collect glasses in Spearman on Thursday, October 30th Glasses will also be collected at the Spearman Lynx football game on October 31st. The family donating the most glasses on October 31st will receive a signed football from the 2003 Spearman Lynx football team.



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