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## Spearman Chamber of Commerce Banquet



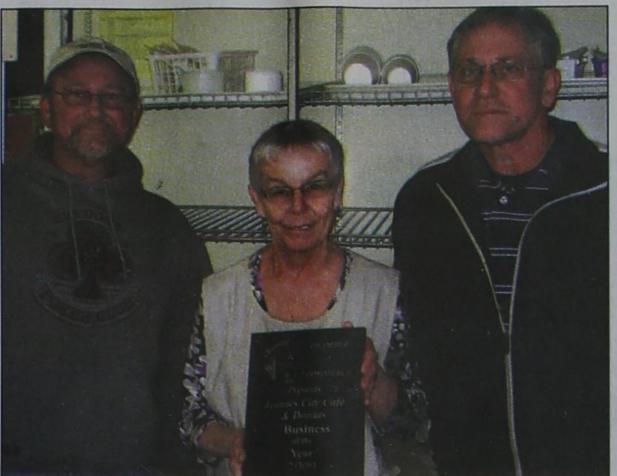
Lilia Escajeda, 2009 Amarillo Globe-News Woman of the Year, was the speaker for the Spearman Chamber of Commerce Banquet on Thursday, March 11, 2010.

The Spearman Chamber of Commerce Annual Membership Banquet was held on Thursday, March 11, 2010. The theme for this year's event was "Victory in Volunteers."

Keith Hight, Executive Director of the Spearman Chamber of Commerce, welcomed everyone to the event being held at the O'Loughlin Center. He also recognized Spearman's volunteer organizations - Hansford Hospice, Hospital Auxiliary, Southwest Pioneer Windmill Association, Lion's Club, Rotary Club, Spearman Volunteer Fire Department, Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, Big Brothers Big Sisters, Circle of Friends, Gladiola Flower Club, Red Hat Society, Spearman Little League, Spearman Swim Team, Little Dribblers, Soccer League, Hansford Stock Show, Hansford 4-H, and the Stationmaster's House Museum.

Keith then introduced the Miss Hansford 2009 winners - Miss Hansford - Marisol Hernandez, 1st Runner Up - Whitney Maestas, 2nd Runner Up - Lynn Vela, Miss Congeniality - Gabbi Davila; Miss Teen - Allison Brown, 1st Runner Up - Brianne Mitchell; Miss Pre-Teen - Vanessa Vela, 1st Runner Up - Callie Yarbrough; Junior Miss - Kaycee Anderson, 1st Runner Up - K.D. McCloy; Little Miss - Serenati Massey, 1st Runner Up - Sydney Silva.

John Kunselman, representing the Spear-



2009 Business of the Year

City Cafe and Donuts was named the 2009 Citizen of the Year during the Spearman Chamber of Commerce Banquet held on Thursday, March 11th. Pictured are Mark Murray, Jeanie Hand and Mike Murray.

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man Volunteer Fire Department, recognized merce Board President, presented the Com-Ron Antalek as the Fire Department's Fire- munity Spirit Award to Mandy Lusby in honor man of the Year.

Clay Schnell, First State Bank, recognized Randall Sauer as the Rotary Club Employee

Chad Wilkerson was named the 2009 Citizen of the Year. Other nominees were Benny Wilson, Billy Britt Jarvis, Bruce Stinson, Doyle and June Jackson, JD and Rubyjo Wilbanks, Mandy Lusby, Jim Reeves, Mark Murray, Marvin Byers and Verna Lee Shirley

The City Cafe & Donuts was named the Chamber of Commerce Business of the Year. Other nominees were Celebrate, Deakin Electric, Gordon's Drug, Hansford County Floral Company, J&S Signs & Engraving, and Prairie Garden Flowers.

Alvin Byers, Spearman Chamber of Com-

and recognition of her persistence and strength leading up to and following her heart and lung transplant.

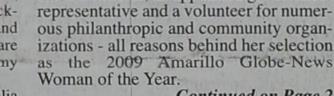
The Spearman Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors include: Alvin Byers (president), Landon Jackson, Mike Pearson, Kyla Ortiz, Robert Baker, Michelle McCubbin, Kristina Howell, Ed Hanson, Cindy Blackman, Carla Puentes, Rebecca Mathews and Orlando Ortiz. Retiring board members are Cass Lasater, Teresa Barkley and Tammy

The speaker for this year's event was Lilia

Escajeda, the 2009 Amarillo Globe-News Woman of the

Escajeda, 66, has con-

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Citizen of the Year

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ad Wilkerson

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2009 Rotary Employee of the Year Randall Sauer (right) was named the 2009 Rotary Employee of the Year during the Spearman Chamber of Commerce Annual Banquet on Thursday, March 11th. Randall is pictured with his



**Community Spirit Award** Mandy Lusby (left) was honored with the Community Spirit Award during the Spearman Chamber of Commerce Banquet held on Thursday, March 11th. She is pictured with her daughter, Taylor (right). Related story on page 5

#### Weather Forecast

Partly cloudy in the evening then becoming mostly cloudy. Lows around 40. Southwest winds 10 to 20 mph.

FRIDAY - Mostly cloudy. Slight chance of rain showers in the morning - then a chance of light rain in the afternoon. Breezy. Much colder. Highs in the mid 40s. North winds 20 to 25 mph. Chance of precipitation 30 per-

FRIDAY NIGHT - Cloudy. Light rain and light snow likely in the evening - then light snow likely after midnight. Breezy. Moderate snow accumulations. Lows in the lower 20s. North winds 20 to 25 mph. Chance of precipitation 70 percent.

SATURDAY - Mostly cloudy with a 20 percent chance of light snow. Highs-in the mid 30s. North winds 10 to 20 mph. SATURDAY NIGHT - Partly cloudy.

Lows in the lower 20s. SUNDAY - Mostly sunny, Warmer, Highs

SUNDAY NIGHT - Mostly clear. Lows

MONDAY - Mostly sunny. Warmer. Highs

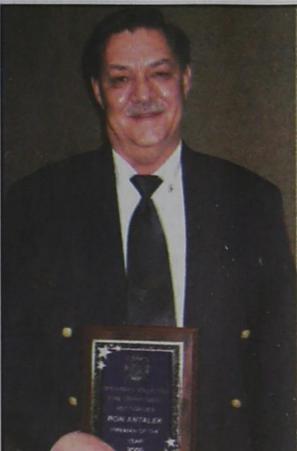
around 70. MONDAY NIGHT - Partly cloudy. Lows

in the upper 30s. TUESDAY - Partly cloudy. Breezy. Highs

in the lower 70s. Read more: http://www.city-data.com/forecast/w-Spearman-Texas.html#ixzz0iXdY1CcJ

#### Texas Crop & Weather

The following specific livestock, crop and weather conditions were reported by Panhandle Extension directors: The weather varied greatly. Warm days were followed by snow, which was followed in turn by warm and windy conditions. The more northern counties received snow on two separate days. The western part of the district received as much as 8 inches of snow. Farmers began preparing for spring planting where fields dried out. Wheat showed growth, and producers were waiting for conditions to dry out further so they could apply fertilizer and spray for weeds. Beef producers were still providing supplemental feed as hay supplies ran low.



son, Scott (left).

Spearman Volunteer Fire Dept. Firefighter of the Year

Ron Antalek was named the 2009 Spearman Volunteer Fireman of the Year during the Spearman Chamber of Commerce Annual Banquet on Thursday, March 11th. This is the second year in a row and third time he has received this award.



The Gruver Greyhounds competed in the State 1A Division 1 Basketball Tournament on Thursday, March 11th. They played Bronte at 8:30 a.m. on Thursday, losing a hard-fought battle 47-32. (Photos by Lisa Johnson) See story on page 8.

### **Chamber of Commerce Banquet**

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Escajeda, 66, has consistently exhibited that passion as an elected official, an appointed government representative and a volunteer for numerous philanthropic and community organizations - all reasons behind her selection as the 2009 Amarillo Globe-News Woman of the Year.

Escajeda raised three children as a young widow, following the death of her husband, Chilo Escajeda, in 1975. The family moved to Amarillo the following year.

Almost immediately, she got involved.

Escajeda has played a number of roles in city government, from helping to oversee programs for low- to moderate-income residents as part of the Community Development Advisory Committee, to governing administration of indigent care and other programs as part of the Amarillo Hospital District board. Such service is invaluable to the city, said Assistant City Manager Vicki Covey.

Words from Faith & Grace

by Cecil R. Biggers, Lutheran Lay Minister

In the fifth week of Lent we learn of love for God and

Isaiah speaks to those in exile in Babylon of God's

new creation. God is preparing a new Exodus. Isaiah

peaks poetically of the revival and renewal of the phys-

ical and animal creation. Isaiah describes who God is by

what God does. We can learn from this passage that there

is no need to limit God to past mercies. God's love, in

West Texan, is 'fixin' to do good things for those who

The Psalmist is singing a song of love and renewal.

King Cyrus, who ruled Babylon circa 538-530 BCE, has

freed the Jews from bondage, provided funds for the re-

building of their temple, and given them safe passage

back to Jerusalem. For the Psalmist, this is too good to

Paul speaks to the Philippians about what it means to

have love for Christ. He begins by speaking with pride

of his own history. Paul was an Hebrew of Hebrew par-

ents, of the tribe of Benjamin. He is a trained Pharisee

who was rigorous in his observance of the law. Paul was

zealous for God to the extent that he persecuted the

Christian church. Paul declares that he was 'blameless' in

the law. He then explains that when he met Jesus Christ

all of the things he previously held dear were as dung to

him. Paul found righteousness (a right relationship with

God) through faith in Jesus Christ. Paul makes no claim

to be a 'complete' Christian; Paul wants to know the

power of Jesus' resurrection. Yet, at the time of this writ-

John shows us a picture of Jesus in the week prior to

his crucifixion. Jesus is staying with Mary, Martha and

Lazarus in Bethany, commuting the few miles to

Jerusalem as the day of Pentecost approaches. We see

Martha showing her love for Jesus by cooking and serv-

ing. We see Mary who is more extravagant in her love

for Jesus. She takes a container of expensive perfume

and before dinner anoints Jesus' feet. Totally unself-con-

scious she dries his feet with her hair. This action would

be scandalous to a practicing Jew of that time. We see

Judas concerned that an asset worth a year of a working

man's wages is wasted by an emotional act. We see Jesus

who answers Judas that the poor will always be with us

(See Deuteronomy 15:11) and by her action, Mary has

May the Holy Spirit turn your mind from past mer-

cies, present trials and enable you to reflect the love of

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anointed Jesus for his death.

Jesus Christ as you 'run toward the goal'.

of God's renewal of his people as we study Isaiah 43:

16-21, Psalm 126, Philippians 3: 4-14, and John 12: 1-

Amarillo National Bank vice president with responsibility for the bank's fed-Community eral

Reinvestment Act programs gives her ample opportunity to pursue a pet cause, teaching money classes each quarter for immigrants and refugees who come to Amarillo via Catholic Family Service.

Escajeda currently serves on and is a former chairwoman of the Amarillo College board of regents; is chairwoman of the board of governors for Northwest Texas Healthcare System; is vice chair of the city of Amarillo's Comprehensive Plan steering committee; is a memand former chairwoman of the Panhandle Workforce Development board and sits on the Center City Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone board of directors.

The organizations that count her as a leader these days include the Achievement through Commitment to Education scholarship program, Cal Farley's Boys Ranch, Amarillo Escajeda's role as an South Rotary Club, Amar-

illo Museum of Art Alliance and Amarillo Habitat for Humanity.

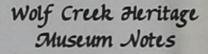
But many more entities have appeared on what Amarillo National Bank President Richard Ware calls "the best resume in Amarillo."

"Has anybody ever been chairman of the Amarillo Area Foundation, chairman of the Amarillo College board of regents, and head of the Boys Ranch (Independent) School Disbank has employed Escajeda for more than 30 of her 33 years in Amarillo. done that."

AC President Paul Matney called Escajeda instrumental in helping the college pass a \$68.3 million bond issue in 2007, when she chaired the AC regents. The funds are allowing the college to build lab building at its Washat its West Campus.

Escajeda has been an Amarillo Habitat board member for three years seeking to qualify for a clude those names failed. home through the agency, Executive Director Steve gested changes to the pro-Smart said

Escajeda is "every- sent someone to be on a board May meeting. work done, it's Lilia.'



in College Station this week attending the Texas Association of Museums and I will fill in a short column for Virginia. We have an unusual exhibit this month called "Bra Talk" and Sunday the 21st of March from 2:00 to 4:00 we will have an open house to display the bra's designed by breast cancer survivors. The Amarillo Area Breast Health Coalition is sponsoring the exhibit to heighten awareness about breast cancer and stress the importance of breast health and early detection.

Internet users may have seen the bra exhibit when Bra Talk began in 2008. The Wolf Creek Museum is fortunate to be able to display the exhibit and to help provide support and promote early detection of breast cancer. We hope you will take a few hours out of your Sunday afternoon to central Texas. visit the museum.

The deadline for submission of county histories is through the American Re-April 1. We hope you are covery and Reinvestment working on your families.



#### By Ed Sterling State Board of Ed-Rural Utilities Service and ucation proposes changes to school curriculum

AUSTIN — Changes to trict? asked Ware, whose the social studies curriculum for public schools are in the hopper.

The State Board of Edu-"There's nobody that has cation on March 12 voted 10-5 in favor of a set of proposed revisions. The next step is for the proposed revisions to be posted in the Texas Register in mid-April, and then a 30-day public comment period will begin.

One of several points of a state-of-the-art science contention arose over whether to require that stuington Street Campus and dents be taught the names a health sciences building of Tejanos, the Texans of Hispanic ancestry, who were among the 189 that fought for independence and died at the Alamo, but and chairs a selection com- are not named in textmittee that screens families books. The effort to in-

> Comments with sugposed revisions may be

where," said Beth Duke, rules@tea.state.tx.us . The executive director of Cen- final steps in the process ter City of Amarillo, a are for the board to condowntown revitalization sider additional updates nonprofit. "If you need and final adoption at its

who will roll up their Also on March 12, the sleeves and really get the board adopted educator certification requirements and voted to enter into agreements with Mesa West Real Estate Income Fund II L.P. and Invesco Mortgage Recovery Fund. Each entity will be allowed Virgina and Georgia are to invest \$40 million of the multi-billion dollar Permanent School Fund in real estate. The Texas Education Agency said never before has the board entered into a real estate purchase agreement.

#### Projects to receive federal funds

Agriculture Commissioner Todd Staples on March 12 congratulated the recipients of tens of millions of federal dollars in broadband funding through the U.S. Department of Agriculture to help bring high-speed Internet service to rural areas.

Projects in Texas to receive funding will improve broadband service in the Texas South Plains region, the Dalhart and Stratford communities in the upper Texas Panhandle and in the Burkburnett and Iowa Park community areas in north

The money is part of a \$7.2 billion appropriation Act directing the USDA's

# STATE CAPITAL HIGHLIGHTS



by Ed Sterling

the Department of Commerce's National Telecommunications and Information Administration to expand broadband access to unserved and underserved communities across the U.S., increase jobs, spur investments in technology and infrastructure and provide long-term

#### School fund increases in 2009

economic benefits.

The fund that guarantees school district bonds and supports the purchase of student textbooks realized a 25 percent return in 2009, the Texas Education Agency reported March

The Texas Permanent School Fund, the largest public endowment for public schools in the nation, was valued at \$22.2 billion on Dec. 31, 2009, up from \$18.1 on Dec. 31, 2008.

The fund's guarantee of school bonds allows Texas school districts to gain AAA ratings for their bonds, saving them millions in interest and insurance costs. The fund also provides textbooks free of charge to the state's 4.7 million schoolchildren and provides general financial support to the more than public 8,000 Texas schools, the Texas Education Agency said.

#### Firm must provide restitution

Greg Abbott, attorneys general from 34 other states and the U.S. Federal Trade Commission on March 9 resolved their investigation of Arizonabased LifeLock Inc. and reached an agreement with the private identity theft the April I deadline. protection service.

Under the agreement, LifeLock Inc. must provide \$11 million in restitution to eligible customers and must not misrepresent that it: (1) protects against all forms of ID theft; (2) eliminates the risk of ID theft; (3) constantly monitors activity on each of its customers' consumer reports; and (4) always prompts a call from a potential creditor before a new credit account is opened in the customer's name.

#### Grief named lottery agency chief

The three-member Texas Lottery Commission on March 9 announced the appointment of Gary Grief as executive director of the agency.

Grief, who had been leading the agency as deputy executive director since October 2008, was appointed on a unanimous vote.

An original member of the task force assigned to research and launch the Texas Lottery, Grief has been with the agency since

#### Census 'ambassador' is named

Gov. Rick Perry on March 9 named Secretary of State Hope Andrade the "Texas Census Ambassador" to promote participation by Texans in the 2010 Census. Forms for the 2010 Census will be deliv-Texas Attorney General ered to residents this month.

> Andrade, U.S. Census officials and others joined in Austin on March 12 to encourage all who live in Texas to participate in the census. She will promote the Census statewide until

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million dollars? 47. Newborn connection 8. Fast food meal

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57. Relating to marriage 61. \*Host of this year's Final Four

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American, Dale 70. All good things do this?

71. Not fashion-minded 72. "Mr. Roboto" band 73. \*Given name of last

year's title-winning

coach 74. "Austin Powers" actor

DOWN

35. Cough syrup balsam 1. Elevator manufacturing giant

2. Longer then mini 3. American stock ex-

change in NYC 4. Late actor Ledger

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member of '92 Final Four Team 7. Mob snitch

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author 12. Saucy 15. Sea bird-produced

fertilizer, pl.

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of elements 26. Second T in T&T drink

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34. Always demanding

attention 36. CCCP

38. Perceives by sight 42. Poe's poem "The

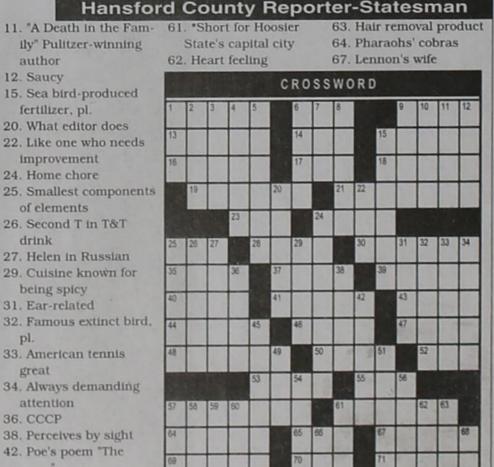
45. \*Where basketball's inventor coached

6. \*Indiana's Henderson, 49. Feathery neckwear

51. Preacher's platform 54. More sly

56. Nincompoop 57. She is 58. Beaver's coat, e.g.

59. "For Your Eyes \_ 60. Computer operating system





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March 18 Birthday - Danny Henson, Tony Harper, Charles Friday, Cody McLeod, Kenny Virden, Laura Garcia, Tobe Shields, Connie Hobbs, Kelsey Henton, Matthew Bain

Anniversary - M/M Edwin Pearcy, M/M Ken Bullard

March 19

Barry Birthday Haenisch, Melinda McCullough, Kerri Minter, Ron Gibson, Altha Groves, Pete Garcia Jr., Jesse Ruth Gerrard, Rose Marie Bruning, Cathy Davis, April Knight

Anniversary M/M Michael Wilson

March 20 Birthday - Mack Bevill, Travis Ferguson, Chad TeBeest, Martha Stinson, Florencio Martinez, Angela Sinta, Jane Henton, Kim King, Marion Upchurch, Kay Christian, Garry Hathaway, Lisa Tice, Rocio Garcia

Anniversary - M/M R. M. Crawford, M/M Benny Mc-M/M Rod Cullough, Barkley

March 21

Birthday - Kathy Dun-can, Kelly Hart, Nancy Alvarez, Rhonda Riley, Judy Hergert, Chelsey Clark, Pepe Tarrango, Jose Tarango

Anniversary - Bill and Jo Ann Weaver

March 22 Birthday - Veta Allaway, Charmaine Gross, Maggie Key, Bob Miller, Payton Mitchell, Marty McCloy, Kelly Rauscher, Randie (Renner) Baumann, Roy Garrard, Rosalinda Vela, Tim Kizzar, Michael Burke, Doug Gumfory, Tavo Borunda, Jorge Soto, Carla Jones, Debbie Clement, Andy Lindsey, Reid Wilson, J.J. Gallegos

Anniversary - Mr. and Mrs. Benny Wilson March 23 Birthday - Tanner Irwin, Mercedes Perez, Dwayne TeBeest, Annie Houghton, Jamie Sterling, Beth Ann Flowers, Angela Craig, Teresa Russell, Marvin G. Christopher Wilson, Turner, Ramon Garcia Jr., Bernice Flores, Jason Evans, Carter Strawn, Wilbur Hull, Krystal DeLa

Garza, Braylen Lusby Anniversary - Mr. and Mrs. Tony Cazares March 24

Birthday - Dillion Payne, Marie Bell, Mike Floyd, Charles Haight, Frank Sursa, Lesa Deakin, Karie Coates, Patricia Pool, Lera Deakin, Jeri Diane Sterling, Chandra Lee, Carla James, Rebecca Garza, Corry Haight, Beth Phelps, **Brae Puentes** 

Anniversary - Mr. and Mrs. Mike Babbs, Mr. and Mrs. John Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Greg Breland, Mr. and Mrs. Blair Traham

March 25 Birthday - Scott Jarvis, Jason Ward, Nellie Albrect, Oscar Rojas Jr., Kendra Kay Burke, Mike Dixon, Donna Brogdo, Jean Schaffer, Michael Covington, Joe Baca, Amy Bridges, Chad Howe, Mario Soto, LuAnn Hunter

Anniversary - M/M Josh Reed, Charles & Christina Bowers

March 26 Birthday - Keith Dillard, Jamie Smith, George Jackson, Tanda Taylor, James Brown, Judy Irlbeck, Greg Holladay, Ruth Baker, John Paul Molina, Danny Bass, Joann Reynolds, Kristi Ann Sabrina Balderrama, Cantu, Joanna Myers

Anniversary - Mr. and Mrs. Andy Riley, M/M Jimmy Morley March 27

Tommy Birthday Boone, Diana Stork, Carol Scroggs, Ylanda DeLuna, Bill Stevens, Wanda Wagner, Anthony Wilkerson, Clark Dunaway, Gary Urban, Debbie Herrington, Michael McCarney, J.D. Schick

Anniversary - Steve and Debbie Rogers, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Schnell, Tim & Jackie Nelson

March 28 Birthday - Ryan Renteria, Roma Tomlinson, Janet Cudd, Mandi Lair, Ray Hawkins, Jarrett Hendricks, Ross Jarvis, Byrnice Callaway, Rick Riggins, Carlos Castillo, Scarborough, Janet Mickey Schoenhals, Mark Hodges, Verna Strawn, Colten King, Tyrell King

Anniversary - M/M Larry Clawson, M/M Howard Hefley, M/M Jerry Tipps, M/M Richard Carter March 29

Birthday - Lacy Barkley, Dixie Karlin, Joshua Kirby, Jessica Stork, Josephine Salgado, Scott Beedy, Melissa Taylor, Tiki Farrar, Chad Guthrie, David West, Marg Cook, Janis Josh Harris, Maupin, Jeann Thompson, Scot Ruth Shields, Martin, Ramon Garcia Greyson Karlin

March 30 Birthday - Jesus Favela,

Loni Lamb, Vi Hornsby, Mrs. Elmer Longley, Nikki Strawn, Grady Cline, Denae Baker, Jimmy Blan, Krystal Heather Cline, (Burkhammer) Puentes, Shane Atwood, Schick, Marvin Sparks, **Dorothy Longley** 

Anniversary M/M Ruben De Santiago

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#### State to Begin Accepting Reservations April 5th For "Texas Trade Up" **Appliance Rebate Program**

Texas Comptroller Susan Combs today encouraged consumers to sign up early to receive rebates on selected ENERGY STAR appliances purchased during the Texas Trade Up appliance rebate program April 16-25. Approximately \$23 million in federal stimulus funds are available for the rebate program.

Beginning April 5, a toll-free phone number and an online reservation system will be available for Texans to reserve an appliance rebate. When all of the guaranteed rebates are reserved, consumers may continue to sign up for a waiting list to receive rebates on a first-comefirst-served basis. Consumers must give their name, address and appliance type when making a reservation.

Consumers must be on the guaranteed rebate reservation list or the waiting list to be able to print or receive the forms they will mail in to claim rebates. To be eligible for a rebate, a qualifying appliance must be purchased between April 16 and April 25. Consumers will have 60 days from the reservation date to install appliances and submit their paperwork for the rebate. Appliances must be purchased by Texas residents at stores located in Texas.

As further details on the reservation and mail-in rebate systems are finalized in the next few weeks, a new Web site, http://www.texaspowerfulsmart.org, will become the one-stop resource for information and reservations.

Flat rebates will be available for consumers who buy certain ENERGY STAR certified appliances and replace the same type of functional old appliance, with an additional \$75 rebate for recycling the old appliance.

#### **OPSU Golf News**

By Scott Puryear, OPSU Sports

The Oklahoma Panhandle State University men's golf team was in action on Monday and Tuesday in the Swede Spring Invitational Tournament, hosted by Bethany College. The Aggies finished tied for seventh in the 17-team field. The teams played two 18-hole

Teams had five golfers each and the Aggies' top finisher was Julian Figueroa, in 23rd place overall, with a two round- total of 153 (80-73). Jake Strain (81-74) and Tyler Harper (80-75) tied for 31st with totals of 155.

Other Aggies in the competition were Brandt Gear who posted a two-round total of 159 and Shane Rice

OPSU head coach Roger McKinnon (in his 11th season) said he was encouraged by the performance of his team and added that he is looking forward to seeing them continue to improve.

#### **MONUMENTS Boxwell Brothers Funeral Home**

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## Our Sympathy

JOHN C. ROBINSON

GRUVER - John C. Robinson, 93, died Wednesday, March 10, 2010.

Services will be at 10 a.m. Saturday in First United Methodist Church with the Rev. George Price and the

Rev. Brad Reeves officiating. Burial will be at 3 p.m. Saturday in Dreamland Cemetery in Canyon by Boxwell Brothers Funeral Home of Spearman.

John was born Dec. 15, 1916, in Gem City to Elbert C. and Rosa Ann Robinson. He married Mary Jo Avent on June 14, 1940, in Clovis, N.M.

John and Mary Jo lived in Canyon in 1940, where

he farmed with his brother and father in Happy. They moved to Panhandle in 1953 as he continued his farming career.

John and Mary Jo moved to Gruver in 1961, where he farmed until 2003. He was a Mason for more than 50

The family truly appreciated the help and support of

Hansford Hospice. He was preceded in death by his parents, Elbert C. and Rose Ann Robinson; a son, Johnny Robinson; a brother;

and four sisters. Survivors include his wife, Mary Jo Robinson; two daughters, Peggy Robinson of Gruver and Mary Ann Gill and husband Paul of Fairfax Station, Va.; a son, Joe C. Robinson and wife Kay of Gruver; six grandchildren; and

12 great-grandchildren. The family suggests memorials be to Hansford Hospice, 707 S. Roland St., Spearman, TX 79070; or Gruver United Methodist Church, P.O. Box 977, Gruver, TX

79040.

#### BARRY JON GOODALL



Barry Jon Goodall died suddenly on February 1, 2010 at the age of 42. He is at peace with God. He had been Project Technology Coordinator at Jacobs Engineering Group.

He was born December 6, 1967 in Amarillo, Texas to Hugh Jon and Kathy Reynolds Goodall Coventry.

Survivors include his Mother and Step-father; of St. Charles, Mo.; son Cam-

ron Tyler Goodall of Flordia; son Christopher Michael Goodall of Kansas; sister Michelle Goodall Griffith of St.Charles, MO; sister Taffy Robbins; brother Matthew Coventry of Ill. Many Aunts, Uncles, Nieces, Nephews; and Cousins.

Barry was preceded in death by his father, Hugh Jon Goodall; Grandmother, Eula Goodall-Laster of Gruver and Amarillo, TX; Grandparents, Cecil and Ellen Reynolds of Spearman, TX; Uncle Cecil R Chisum of Borger, TX and other loved ones.

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12th Annual "Pot O' Gold" Dinner, Dance & Calcutta
The 12th Annual "Pot O' Gold" Dinner, Dance and Calcutta
will be held on Saturday, March 27th at 7 p.m. at The
O'Loughlin Center, 502 S. Brandt in Spearman. Tickets are
\$60 per person. A Tenderloin meal will be provided, with entertainment by "Insufficient Funds." A Grand Prize of \$2,500
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O'Loughlin Center Announces New Hours
Beginning March 1, 2010, The O'Loughlin Center will be open
for the following hours: Monday-Thursday, 6:00 a.m.-8:00
p.m.; Friday, 6:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m.; and Saturday, 9:00 a.m.12:00 p.m. (noon). For more information, contact Jada Breeden, Manager, The O'Loughlin Center, 502 S. Brandt, PO Box
733, Spearman TX 79081, 806-659-3030.

Stock Show Sale, Add-Ons & Goat Share Donations f you were unable to come to the stock show sale, add-ons and goat share donations can be taken at any time by email until March 15, 2010 at hansfordstockshow@gmail.com.

Concealed Handgun Course Offered
A concealed handgun course will be offered on Saturday,
March 6th (9 a.m.-5 p.m.) and Sunday, March 7th (2-6 p.m.)
at Mur Mur's Cafe in Spearman. The cost os \$125 for the instructional course with a certificate and targets provided. (The State fee is dependent on age and/or occupation and ranges from \$25-\$140 for a 5-year license.) If interested in attending this class, please contact Dee Mayfield at (806) 330-0269

SHS All School Reunion July 2 & 3, 2010
The Spearman High School All-School Reunion will be held July 2nd & 3rd, 2010. If you have information regarding a specific class reunion, please contact the Hansford County Reporter-Statesman. We will list the specific information for each class reunion, as well as the information for the All-School Reunion in the newspaper as we receive it. Information may be mailed to: Reporter-Statesman, 213 Main Street, Spearman TX 79081; e-mailed to: reporter@spearmanreporter.com; faxed: 806-398-9080; or phoned in: 806-659-3434.

Perryton Area Parkinson's Disease Support Group The Perryton Area Parkinson's Disease Support Group will meet March 12, 2010 for a noon meeting at the Perryton Mennonite Church. Lunch will be provided. Jim Keating, Director of the Parkinson Foundation of the Heartland from Oklahoma City will be the guest speaker. Anyone who has Parkinson's or has a family member or friend who has it, is welcome to attend. tend. For more information contact Bev Burger 435-3437

Rushing Wind Emmaus Community
The Rushing Wind Emmaus Community will meet on Saturday, March 13, at 6 p.m. at the Wake Christian Center. Bring your favorite dish for a potluck supper followed by sponsors training and a praise and worship service. Your family and friends are welcome to attend the monthly community meetings and a nursery will be provided for the children during the worship service. Board of Directors will meet at 4 p.m.

SPWA Seeks Volunteers

The Southwest Pioneer Windmill Association is seeking the next generation of volunteers to continue the work of restoring and maintaining the windmills of the SPWA. If you have an interest in windmills and their upkeep, and/or maintenance of the park, you are needed. For information, call Dwayne Mitchell, 270-0291 or Don Reed 330-0745.

**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

Youth Writing Contest

Panhandle Professional Writers has announced its 2010
Youth Writing Contest. The competition is open to any student
in grades three through twelve. Entries must be postmarked
no later than April 1, 2010. Complete rules and entry forms
may be found online at <a href="https://www.panhandleprowriters.org">www.panhandleprowriters.org</a>. There
are three age groups: grades three through five, six through
eight, and nine through twelve. Students may enter as many
times as they like in these three different categories: short
story, poetry, and memoir. All entries will be judged by published authors.First, second, and third place winners in each
category will be announced in July. Anyone wanting additional
information can e-mail Vicki Schoen at PPWYouthcontest@gmail.com. Panhandle Professional Writers is open to
writers at all levels and of all genres.

Grants Available for Non-Profits Serving Rural Texans
Texas Rural Communities, Inc. (TRC) is pleased to announce
the availability of \$30,000 in grants for non-profit organizations
serving rural Texans. The grants are intended to fund local environmental, economic or educational programs in the recipients' communities. Two types of grants are available:
Recognition Grants of up to \$5,000 and Impact Grants from
\$5,000-\$25,000. Recognition grants may be awarded to new
or existing programs that are making or have the potential to
make a significant difference in the communities they serve.
Impact grants may be awarded to programs that also demonstrate innovation or have the potential to serve as model programs for other communities. TRC is a non-profit organization
created as part of the New Deal in 1934 and has a long-term
commitment to assisting rural communities, individuals and Grants Available for Non-Profits Serving Rural Texans commitment to assisting rural communities, individuals and support organizations that improve or maintain the quality of rural life, through independent and cooperative ventures. In addition to its grant bloom, TRC offers small business loans and form and Paragonal bases of the paragonal bases of and Farm and Ranch loans in partnership with the Farm Service Agency. For additional information about TRC's grant opportunities, call 800-787-2589 or email info@texasrural.org. Applications must be received by February 26, 2010.

## City Cafe and Donuts 2009 Business of the Year

City Cafe and Donuts was named the 2009 Spearman Business of the Year. City Cafe and Donuts, located on Hwy. 207 South in Spearman, opened about a year ago. Brothers Mike and Mark Murray purchased the build-

ing over a year ago with the plans of using it for storage, and possibly allowing churches and youth groups use the front for fund raisers.

Word got around about their purchase, and they were approached by Jeanie Hand about opening the former donut shop for breakfast. After several people inquired about opening a restaurant, the brothers agreed.

City Cafe and Donuts opened in March of 2009, with lunch reservations for 28 Excel employees on the first

"We got started with a bang," commented Mike Murray. "Our breakfast business took off from the first day." City Cafe and Donuts currently employees 11 people. with several more "volunteers."

"I have never been in a restaurant where the customers wait on themselves and other people," said Mike. "At first I thought some of the customers had previously worked at other restaurants. They would get up and get the coffee and go around the restaurant filling up

"There have been several days when we were hit hard, and customers would just pitch in and help," continued Mike "Thelma has helped roll silverware, Sharon Swan has helped wait tables and cook, Joanne Dettmer has helped cook, Byrnice Schmidt has helped cook, and also painted the sign for us. The people of Spearman are really what makes this town what it is!"

Mike retired several years ago after working for 22 years as a manager with LaQuinta.

"At first I thought I would be a bum, but that only lasted about two weeks," said Mike. "I then went to

work for the City of Bastrop." Mike moved to Spearman from Austin a little over two years ago. "I wanted to get away from the traffic

and humidity," he said. "I just can't get over the people in Spearman," said Mike. "When I first came here I probably knew about 12 people by name. Now I can't even count the number

of people I know. I just love it!" There are so many people I would need to thank," continued Mike. "So many people came in when we opened and asked if they could help with anything. I

even had a couple of people tell me that Stephanie Crossland of The Bunkhouse had said she would help me in any way she could. You just don't find that in the city. I am loving living in Spearman" City Cafe and Donuts is open from 4-10 a.m. for

breakfast, 10:30 a.m.2 p.m. for lunch, and is now open on Friday nights from 5-8 p.m.



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#### **Chad Wilkerson** 2009 Citizen of the Year

Chad Wilkerson was named the 2009 Citizen of the Year at the Spearman Chamber of Commerce Banquet on Thursday, March 11, 2010. Chad and his wife, Samantha, moved to Spearman in 2005 with their then twoyear-old son Jack. Chad and his wife grew up in



Spearman, and had returned to raise their family here.

They also have a daughter, Emma.

Chad, a fifth grade teacher at Gus Birdwell Elementary in Spearman, erected several skateboard ramps in his backyard. It wasn't long before kids began ringing his doorbell and asking if they could ride on them.

"I realized that there was quite a big of interest in these kids for skateboarding," said Chad. "I thought 'wouldn't it be great if Spearman had a skatepark?'"

In 2006, Chad approached the city government with the prospect of obtaining a skatepark facility in Spear-

As the project was taking shape, the non-profit organization known as The Skatepark Fundhouse, Inc. was formed. This entity is filed with the IRS as an official 503c3 organization and only uses the revenues to improve and benefit parks such as Palo Duro Skatepark. The Skatepark Fundhouse, Inc. was basically formed to assist the city parks and recreation department in offering more opportunities for the youth of Hansford County.

With the foresight of the City of Spearman, the support of numerous civic-minded citizens, the enthusiasm of the youth, and the encouragement of Chad Wilkerson, the successful accomplishments of The Skatepark Fundhouse, Inc. has given Spearman one of the best skateparks in the southern United States. To date Palo Duro Skatepark has had visitors from Arizona, California, Colorado, Oklahoma, Louisiana, New Mexico, New York City, Washington, Philadelphia, Kansas, and numerous area and statewide towns.

Chad is the son of Linda and Anthony Wilkerson of Spearman.

#### God Saw You

God saw you getting tired, When a cure was not to be. So He wrapped his arms around you, and whispered, "Come to me."

> you didn't deserve what you went through, So He gave you rest. God's garden must be beautiful, He only takes the best.



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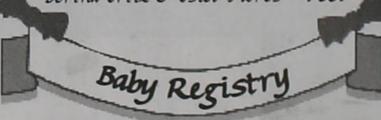
And when I saw you sleeping, So peaceful and free from pain I could not wish you back To suffer that again.

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We love and miss you, Xaye, Xellye, Robbie and boys



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## Mandi Lusby Receives Community Spirit Award

Chamber of Commerce Board President, presented the Community Spirit Award to Mandy Lusby in honor and recognition of persistence and strength leading up to and following her heart and lung transplant. The award was also in recognition of how the community pulled together in support of Mandi.

"Mandi's donor was the ultimate volunteer," commented Byers. "Mandi's journey is the perfect example of community spirit. The entire community came together to pray for and support her and her family."

Mandi was diagnosed in 2003 at the age of 26 with Primary Pulmonary Hypertension, a disease that causes high blood pressure in the lungs. The heart is also affected by having to work extremely hard

against the pressure. Mandi was told at the time there was no cure. The only solution would be a double lung and heart transplant. After several years of adjusting her medications and treatments, she was left with the last option of a double lung and heart transplant.

Mandi received her transplant on Sunday, September 13, 2009 in the Transplant Center of Houston Methodist Hospital.

The community of Spearman began selling Mandi's Miracle T-Shirts shortly after her transplant, Mandi Lusby's Miracle Fund at First State Bank in

Spearman. The T-Shirts say, "Life is good with a new heart and lung" on the front (with a happy face below the words) and "Mandi's Miracle, September 13, 2009" on the back. (For more information, please contact Haley at 806-659-3751, or email agcohaley@ptsi.net

chad.riggins@thesport-zone.net. Donations for Mandi may be sent to First State Bank in Spearman, c/o Mandi Lusby Miracle Fund, PO Box 247, Spearman TX 79081.)

"If you have never lived in a small town, you might not understand how a supporting and loving community can feel like extended family as you go through a tough time," said Mandi's mother Donita Lusby. "It has been an amazing experience for our family. Mandi is now into the sixth month since her transplant and the people of Spearman, Gruver, Morse, and Perryton still continue to show their love and support. I don't go to work, the grocery store, the Post Office, or even the drug store that someone doesn't stop to ask about her.

"God has certainly blessed us with so many things this past year, and the future looks so bright and promising," continued Donita. "It is clear that His plan for Mandi was to have a successful transplant and get on with her life. She is still unsure of what she is going to be able to do about her career, but I can tell you she is constantly talking and figuring how to get things going again."

Following her transplant, Mandi was released by her doctors and allowed to come home to Spearman on Friday, November 20, 2009 for Thanksgiv-

Mandi and her mother were surprised with a highway lined with family and friends dressed in 'Mandi's Miracle' Shirts and holding "Welcome Home' signs. They drove through town to their home in tears as they waved at the people who had helped them persevere this long journey.

Upon returning to Houston, however, it was discovered that Mandi had an Aortic Aneurysm (during her three-month checkup). She was immediately placed in ICU until her

cide their plans of treatment.

One of Mandi's heart surgeons talked to her father, Ronnie, about needing a divine intervention. Mandi's family immediately got on the phones and began asking for

"What a mighty sound all of those prayers must have made," said Donita, "because when all of those specialists met on Monday, each group had separately come to the very same conclusion - they would perform the aorta graft. "Only the day before each team still had a different opinion on what had caused the aneurysm and how it needed to be repaired," continued Donita.

According to Donita, the doctors continue to shake their heads in disbelief when it comes to Mandi, and they continue to call her "special one." Mandi's daughter, Taylor, arrived in Houston in time to see her mother on Sunday and Monday before the surgery, as well as other family members who flew down to Houston to be there for support - Jill Butler, Michael & Jess Anne Lusby, and Aunt, Peggy Culp.

Mandi went into surgery at 12:30 p.m. on Monday. At 4 p.m. her doctors came out and told the family she had done great. The decision to replace the aorta was definitely the correct

On February 3rd Mandi with all proceeds going to returned to Houston again for appointments with the lung team. Her pulmonary workups showed that her lungs are working exactly as they are supposed to.

"She is committed to the medication and lifestyle she will maintain to live a long healthy life," said Donita. "God will be with her to sustain her through The world of transplants isn't like trading for a brand new car, it's more like getting an engine overhaul. The car works better, but still needs an oil change, and the tires rotated every few months. Mandi's engine is purring like a kitten - as long as she takes care of it."

Mandi waited until the end of the checkup to ask the big question, "Can I go snow skiing?"

The doctor said, "Sure. Go ahead." The only request he had was for her to bring back a lot of pictures. Only four-and-a-half months after her transplant, and only 4 weeks after an aortic aneurysm repair, she was off to Angle Fire, NM with Taylor, Jill, Ben, Bo and Brenna (driving through this year's worst snow blizzard).

Mandi's new heart and lungs tested out beautifully! "Her muscles could use a little more work," said Donita. "She will never take life for granted, and will live each day to the fullest."

On March 13th, Mandi celebrated her six month anniversary with her new heart and lungs. As she and her family sat in the clinic waiting for the doctor, her transplant coordinator visited with her about a very important event this summer. She has put together a team of people of all ages - all organ transplant recipients - to participate in the 2010 Transplant Olympics.

The Games, held July 30th-August 4th, in Madison, Wisconsin, are an Olympic-style event for athletes who have received life-saving organ transplants. Participants compete in a wide range of athletic endeavors - from basketball to bowling, from golf to swimming the many bumps she will and in doing so, support

Alvin Byers, Spearman team of doctors could de- continue to experience. the Games' mission of demonstrating the success of transplantation, honoring donors who have given the gift of life, and calling attention to the need for more organ donors.

Mandi is definitely planning to participate in the swimming events. (Looks like the Lusby's will make a road trip to Wisconsin for a big swim meet this summer!)

The only issues discovered by her lung and heart doctors during Mandi's six-month check-up can be easily corrected with medicine adjustments.

"Everyone at the Transplant Center continues to praise Mandi for being so compliant with her regimen," said Donita "They have many patients who don't take their diet and medication seriously, and consequently have unsuccessful transplants. Thank goodness we raised a small, but mighty, young woman.'

Mandi took her skiing pictures, from 2 different trips, to show her doctors. They asked to keep them to share with other patients, to provide encouragement to strive to live a

full life. Mandi asked her doctors if she could now begin training for the Transplant Olympic Games in which she has entered five swimming events. The answer came back quickly. "Whoa young lady! You can't get into a public swimming pool just yet. It's ONLY been 6 months! The games aren't untill August. We are sure you will be ready by that time, but don't push it!"

In the mean time, continue to remember that the Lusby Family is flourishing with Mandi's continued improvements and never let a day go by that they don't praise God's name for the miracle He sent.

#### Randall Sauer Rotary Employee of the Year

Randall Sauer was named the 2009 Rotary Employee of the Year. He was presented the award by Clay Schnell, CFO for First State Bank.

Following is the speach that Mr Schnell read when presenting the award.

It is with great honor that I present this year's recipient of the Rotary Employee of the Year Award. With over 25 1/2 years of dedicated service to First State Bank, Randall Sauer is without a doubt deserving of this

Randall presently is Senior Vice-President, Cashier, Chief Operating Officer, Bank Secrecy Act Officer, Patriot Act Officer, Compliance Officer, IT Officer, and 1/2 Controller of First State Bank. Randall is the secretary of the Board of First State Bank and is an Advisory Director. He wears many hats in our bank from resident expert on computers to overseeing our day-to-day operations. Randall also keeps up-to-date on the enormous amount of compliance issues that we face each year. He is always the first to arrive at the bank and many times works nights, weekends and holidays.

Randall has been very involved in the Spearman Community. He has been a volunteer firefighter, an EMS volunteer, a Boy Scout volunteer (even after his son grew up), a Lions Club member, and now serves on the Hansford County Hospital District Board of Directors. He is past president of the North Panhandle Bankers Association and is a past officer of the Great Plains Bankers Association.

Randall's family includes his late wife, Janet, and his son, Scott Sauer and wife, Claudia.



#### **Protect Your Rights** "Render Your Taxable Property By April 15th"

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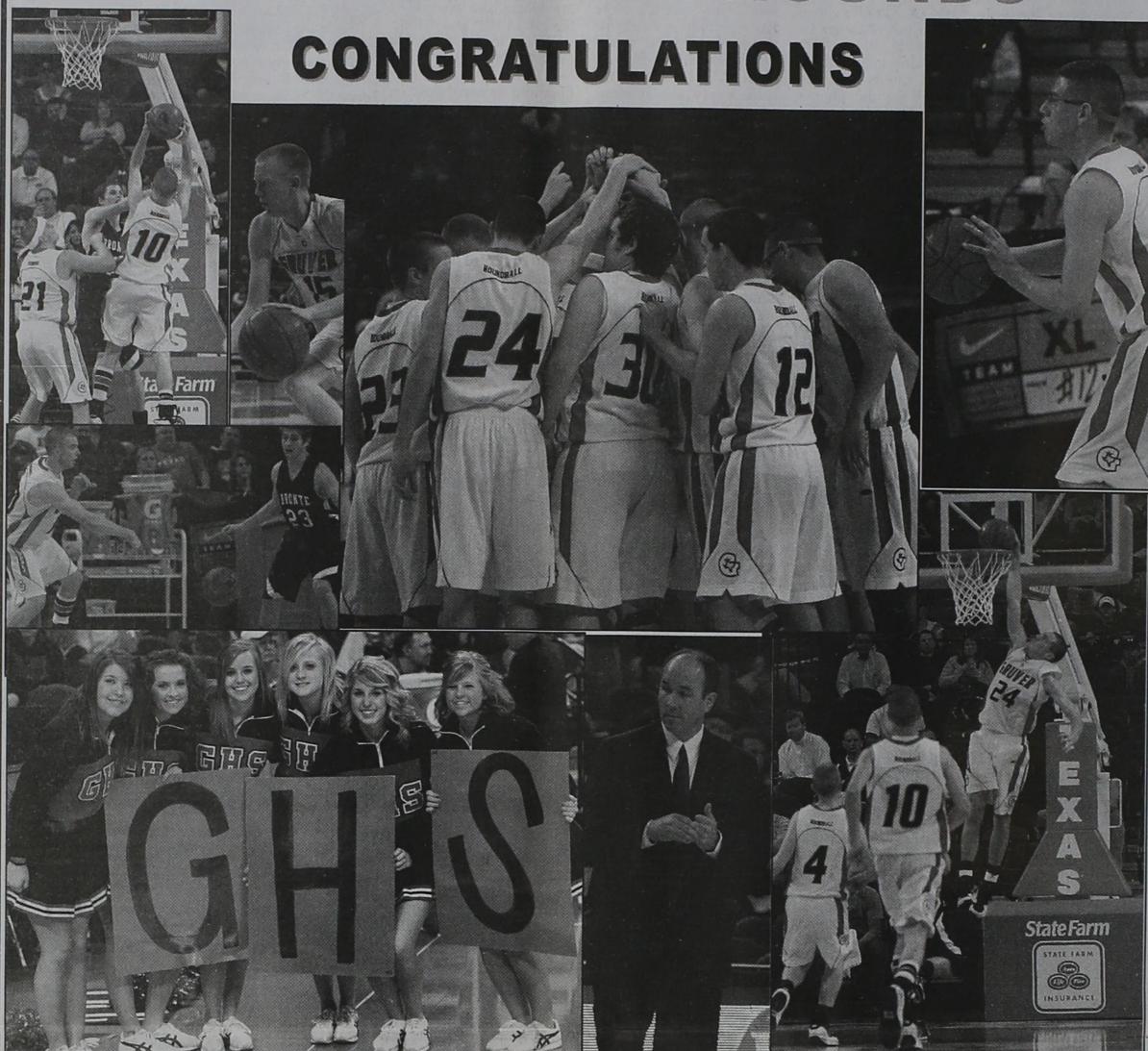
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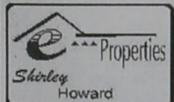
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NOTICE TO ALL PERSONS HAVING CLAIMS **AGAINST** THE ESTATE OF WAYNE JORDAN

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of WAYNE JORDAN were issued on March 15, 2010, in Cause No. 2594, pending in the County Court of Hansford County, Texas. All persons having claims against this estate, which is currently being administered, are required to present them within quired to present them within the time and in the manner prescribed by law. All claims should be sent to the following address: Cynthia Ann Jordon Scribner, 315 S. Endicott, Spearman TX 79081. DATED the 15th day of

John L. Hutchison Attorney for the Estate 1(3/18/10)B

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quirements of Senate Bill 1

Collingsworth, Hall, and Childress Counties. The Public Hearing will consist of a presentation on the IPP, receipt of written and oral comments from the public, and comments from the PWPG.

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The IPP is currently available for public review and inspec-

www.panhandlewater.org and in the County Clerk's office in each of the Region A Counties listed above. The IPP is also available in the following public libraries or alternate locations: Dallam County (Dalhart); Sherman County (Stratford); Hansford County (Spearman); Perry Memorial (Perryton); Kilgore Memorial (Dumas) Hutchinson County (Borger) Roberts County (Miami) (Dumas) Hemphill County (Canadian); Oldham County (Vega); Potter (Amarillo Downtown ; Carson County (Pan-Lovett Memorial Library) (Pampa); Wheeler; Canyon Claude; Clarendon; Wellington; Memphis; Childress; and the offices of the Panhandle

Regional Planning Commission, 415 W. 8th Amarillo, TX.
For more information please contact: Kyle G. Ingham, Local Government Services Director, PO Box 9257, Amarillo, TX 79105; ph: (806) 372-3381; kingham@theprpc.org. The PWPG will receive written and oral comments at the hearing and will also receive written comments separate from the hearing. Individuals wishing to gional Water Planning Group submit written comments separate from the hearing may address their comments to the PWPG, Attn: Kyle G. Ingham at the above address. All written comments submitted sep-arate from the hearing must be received no later than 5:00 PM, Monday June 28, 2010. All comments received will be considered prior to final adoption of the 2011 Panhandle Regional Water Plan.

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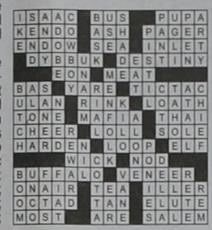
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You are hereby commanded to appear by filing a written answer to the Plaintiffs Petition at or before 10:00 o'clock A.M. on the Monday next after the expi-ration of 42 days after the issuance of this citation before the Honorable William D. Smith 84th District Court of Hansford County, at the Courthouse in said County in Spearman, Texas. Said Plaintiff's Petition was filed in said court on the th day of February 2010 in the above entitled

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows:



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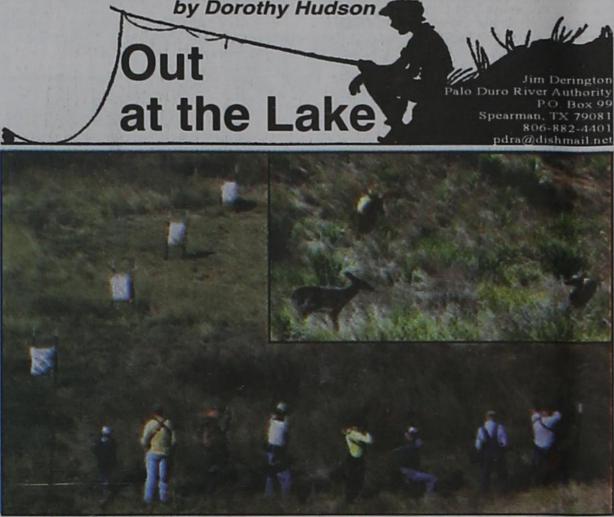
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some more. Saturday was a beautiful day with good activity at the Lake. There were two campers, one on each side; fishermen were trying their luck; mountain bikers were enjoying the rough terrain, and the drive-around lookers were checking the size of the Lake.

It had been quite a while since bow hunters had come to the Park for contests, but Saturday and Sunday morning they were set up on the Gibner side with various types of targets. Jim enjoyed seeing the replicas of animals that were shot at, along with more normal targets. This Sparks Event was organized by Chet Phillips for about 25 shooters.

As to the wildlife at the Park, the cormorants are beginning to return. The eagle count has dropped off to 2. Jim has seen one Yellow-Shafted Flicker among the more numerous Red-Shafted birds.

#### **Gruver Hotel**

and Coffee Shop Last week the column told of the new hotel made from the remains of the brick Etling building and the hotel from Lucern. In connection with the new building, was a barbershop. Ten year old Val Winger, who lived in an apartment in the hotel with his family, did not get along with the barber. He had the shoe shine chair moved to the lobby and went into business shining boots of the cattlemen who frequented the hotel.

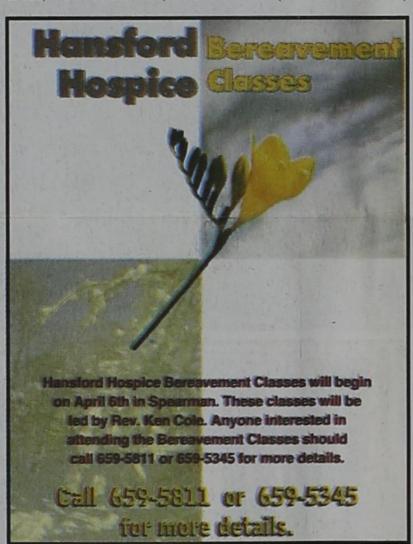
The barber shop lost its barber and became "the Bull Pen". Val remembers that a group of men formed a Rodeo Association, and they rented the room to be used as a spot to hang out when they were in town.

Gruver had not had a bank for ten years. The Gruver State Bank was opened in the hotel lobby on September 7, 1946 with Coy Holt, President, Ralph Bort, Vice-President, and

Bob Thom, First Cashier. The bank remained in the

sold out to the others. a bit, but it didn't happen. Pauline traded the dry sold.

(To be Concluded)





# **Greyhounds Struggle Late in Semifinal, Fall to Bronte 47-32**

By Travis Harsch

AUSTIN - Gruver's appearance in the state basketball tournament ended Thursday morning as the Greyhounds struggled with outside shooting in the second half of a 47-32 loss to Bronte in a Class 1A Division I state semifinal at the Erwin Center.

Gruver (28-6) had 20 points in the first three periods but led until the closing seconds of the third quarter. The Greyhounds were just 1-of-8 on 3-point attempts in the second half, allowing Bronte's zone defense to shut down Gruver's inside game.

"We knew that they

were going to pack it in, and we were going to have to hit some outside shots," Greyhounds coach Troy Seagler said. "We didn't lobby until the fall of 1949 want to settle for those when it moved to a new shots early. We wanted to brick building across the see if we could get in the flow of things and loosen it The Gruver Hotel and up. If we could have hit Coffee Shop started with 5 one or two of those, it partners. Charmian Lyle might have loosened it up

Gruver's Rily Urban tied quarter section of land she the game early in the owned to her brother-law fourth quarter with a free Alfred Henderson for his throw before Kerwin share. Her brother J. M. Rawls made a 3-pointer to Ayres bought out their par- give Bronte the lead for ents. For some years J.M. good. Drew Mireles had a Ayres and Pauline Winger layup on the next Greyjointly owned the business. hounds possession to cut In 1967 they sold out to the margin back to one, but Bob Sutton and his sister Dakota Rawls had another Mildred Atkin. In 1970, 3 on Bronte's next possesthe business was again sion to push the lead back to four.

> The Greyhounds tried to push the pace in the final quarter to get back into the game, but missed shots led to easy baskets for Bronte.

"We started rushing," Seagler said. "We thought we needed to hit the outside shot, and when we didn't hit it, it ended up in a fast break for them, which was two easy points."

Bronte (27-5) advances to face Cayuga, an 82-48 winner against Spurger in the second semifinal, on Saturday for the state championship.

In the first quarter, Blake Fitzgerald and Urban gave Gruver an early lead before Bronte tied the game at 4. Urban added another layup, and Mireles knocked down a jumper as time expired in the quarter for an 8-4 Greyhound lead.

Four more points from Urban on a layup and a jumper extended the lead to 14-8 midway through the second, but Kerwin Rawls hit a 3-pointer that cut Gruver's halftime lead to 16-13.

The Greyhounds had just four points in the third quarter, all from Urban on two free throws and a layup, but did not concede the lead to Bronte until the final seconds of the quarter after the Greyhounds ran the clock down for a final

Fitzgerald missed a 3, with the rebound bouncing straight to Kerwin Rawls, who raced down the court, drew a foul from Danny Bonilla and converted both first lead.

The Rawls brothers combined for 35 of Bronte's points, with Dakota scoring 26.

"We knew they had the majority of their offense for them, so we were really those two guys," Seagler 8:01. said. "There were a couple of times we relaxed, and they got open and they knocked it down, and that put us back on our heels."

Urban finished with 17 points and 11 rebounds to lead the Greyhounds in both categories.

Gruver will graduate seven seniors from this year's team, which made the school's eighth state tournament appearance

and first since 2006. "Out of a small town community, to come down to the big town of Austin and play in front of this many people is a great experience," Wills said.

BRONTE (47): Rob Rosson 1-4 0-0 2; Heath Richey 1-3 3-4 5; Dakota Davis 8-18 8-11 26; Kerwin Rawls 2-11 4-4 9; Ernesto Castillo 2-4 1-2 5; Terron Charles 0-0 0-0 0. Totals - 14-40 16-21 47.

GRUVER (32): Danny Bonilla 0-1 0-0 0; Tyler Wills 0-5 2-2 2; Rily Urban 7-12 3-5 17; Blake Fitzgerald 2-11 0-0 5; Drew Mireles 2-6 0-0 4; Hayden Hart 2-2 0-0 4; Parker Grotegut 0-1 0-0 0; Caleb Miller 0-2 0-0 0; Payton Thoreson 0-0 0-0 0; Justin Bass 0-0 0-0 0; Zach Logsdon 0-0 0-0 0; Cory Graves 0-0 0-0 0. Totals - 13-40 5-7 32.

Score by Quarters: Bronte 4 13 21 47, Gruver 8 16 20 32

Three-pointers: Bronte 3-14 (D. Rawls 2-6, K. Rawls 1-8); Gruver 1-11 free throws for Bronte's (Urban 0-1, Fitzgerald 1-8, Grotegut 0-1, Miller 0-2). Fouls: Bronte 8, Gruver 18 Fouled out: Wills

Records: Bronte improves to 27-5. Gruver finishes 28-6.

Noteworthy: Bronte outscores the Greyhounds going to concentrate on 28-12 during the final

Rily Urban was named to the Amarillo Globe-News Athlete of the Week Honor Roll. Urban had a double-double with 17 points and 11 rebounds, both team highs, in Gruver's 47-32 state semifinal loss to Bronte.

#### **March School Calendars**

Spearman ISD

18th - Shamrock Relays (Varsity Girls only) 22nd-23rd - Golf Tournament, Gruver

23rd-24th, Tennis Tour-

nament, Borger 24th - PBMAS BE/ESL Focus Group Meeting, HS Library, 1:30 p.m.

25th - High School UIL Academic Meet, West Texas A&M University

26th - JH Track Meet, 27th - Amarillo Tennis

Tournament; JV Track Meet, Canadian

29th - Golf Tournament, Canadian (girls only) 30th - District One-Act

Play Contest, Clarendon Junior College

30th-31st - JH Choir Contest, Amarillo

31st - RtI Leadership Team Meeting, Elementary Conference Room; Spearman Tennis Tournament; Canadian Golf Tournament (Boys only); District Education Improvement Committee Meeting, HS Library, 4 p.m.

**Gruver ISD** 

19th - JH/HS Track Meet, Booker 23 - Tennis Tournament,

Borger 24th - One-Act Play Zone Contest, West Texas

High School, Stinnett; Tournament, Tennis Borger 25th - HS Track, Stinnett

26th - HS Academic UIL Contest, Amarillo College; JH Track, Stinnett 27th - HS Track, Cana-

ditorium 30th - One-Act Play

District Contest, Canadian; Senior Banquet, Methodist Church, 7 p.m.

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31st - Picture Day (Spring Sports, UIL, Senior Groups); Tennis Tour-nament, Spearman

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