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Hansford Happenings

Red Cross Offers Course

The American Red Cross will be conducting a Community CPR Challenge course at 7:00 p.m. in the first floor break room of the courthouse, in Perryton. To attend this class, all participants are required to have a current Adult CPR and an Infant & Child CPR card. Participants will be taking a CPR test and doing CPR skills test. For more information or to sign up please call the Red Cross Office weekday mornings at (806) 435-8175.

American Red Cross

The American Red Cross will be conducting a Lifeguard Training course at the Perryton and Vicinity Activity Center on January 17, (6-10 p.m.) January 18, (8 a.m. - 5 p.m.) January 19, (1-5 p.m.). Other dates are January 24, 25 and 26, with times to be announced after the class begins. The purpose of this course is to train lifeguards for the area pools with the skills and knowledge needed to prevent and respond to aquatic emergencies. Prerequisites are: Minimum age of 15 years on or before class ends. Tread water for 2 minutes using legs only. Participants cross their arms across their chest. Swim 500 yards continuously using each of the following strokes for at least 100 yards; crawl, breaststroke, and sidestroke. The stroke (s) used for the remaining 200 yards are the participants' choice. Submerge to a minimum depth of 7 feet, retrieve a 10-pound object and return to the surface. To sign up for the course and or for more information call the Red Cross office at (806) 435-8175 office hours are 8:00 to 12:00 weekday mornings.

Clarendon College

Clarendon College will offer the 36 hour "Bottom Line Farming" curriculum on financial management in agriculture on three weekends in January. Each class will meet on Friday from 6-10 p.m. and the following Saturday from 8 a.m.. - 5 p.m. The first class will be held at the Clarendon College Pampa Center at 900 N. Frost Street in Pampa on Friday, January 10. Registration for this class will be conducted the first class meeting. Spouses are encouraged to attend. This class meets the requirements for financial training of the FSA (formerly FmHA). If you have any questions please contact Dr. Donald L Williams at 806-874-2313, Clarendon College, or your local FSA office.

Red Cross Offers Course

The American Red Cross will be conducting a Community First Aid & Safety course January 20-21. The Adult CPR and Child CPR portion of the course will be conducted Monday, January 20 from 6-10 p.m. The Infant CPR and Standard First Aid will be conducted Tuesday, January 21 from 6-10 p.m. The course will be held at the Ochiltree County Courthouse in the first floor break-room. For more information or to sign up please call the Red Cross office weekday mornings (806)435-8175.



Pictured above are the newly elected county officials. They are (Back Row, L-R) Hansford County Sheriff R.L. McFarlin, County Commissioner Kent Guthrie, District Attorney John Hutchison; (Front Row, L-R) Hansford County Tax Assessor Collector Helen Dry, and County Commissioner Worley Smith.



Hansford County Deputies Allen Mires and Gary Evans were sworn in on Thursday, January 2nd by Hansford County Sheriff R.L. McFarlin

SISD To Begin PIE

The business community and Spearman ISD are learning together as the Partners in Education program is now being organized. On Tuesday, January 7, nine businesses met to discuss future plans for the program. All were in agreement that the program would succeed.

The following businesses were represented: First State Bank, Interstate Savings & Loan, First National Bank, Five Star Equipment, Hansford Implement, Texas Farms, Inc., Reporter-Statesman, KRDF Radio, and Brown Graham & Co.

Other businesses have expressed interest in the program and will decide on joining the Partnership soon.

Mr. Kent Hargis and Cindy Blackman presented the program to the business representatives. Mr. Hargis will get a "wish-list" from the teachers and will put it together for the businesses to look

at before a decision is made on the class or organization that they wish to be partners with.

Ongoing Partnership events might include Incentives for students, certificates for attendance, honor activities, personalized birthday, valentines or beginning of school cards. The classes are also encouraged to do special things for their business.

Partners in Education exists for the support and the enrichment of the educational process. PIE will, and should, benefit both the school and the business.

Guidelines and responsibilities were handed out to business representatives who attended. If you or your business is interested in this program, call Cindy Blackman, 659-3233.

The next PIE meeting will be on Tuesday, January 14th at 10:00 a.m. at the Gus Birdwell Elementary conference room.

TAAS & TEAMS Test Dates

The 1997 spring Texas Assessment of Academic Skills and the Texas Assessment of Minimum Skills exit level tests will be given in February at Service in Amarillo. Testing site Spearman High School for grades addresses and times are listed in 10-12 students, as well as out-of- a directory included in each

Registration packets are available from the counseling office at Spearman High School and the Region XVI Education

1997 College Information Hotline

The College Information Hotline (available via a toll-free call - 1-800-347-3475) provides timely information concerning post secondary educational opportunities to Texas students and their families. One weekend in January is set aside for the Hotline operation each year. This year the Hotline will be January 18th and 19th, 1997. The 1997 Hotline is the twelfth year the project has been in operation. Last year, close to a thousand (1000) calls about college admission and financial aid were handled by our volunteers. Counselors' sources of information include college publications, computerized information systems and the collective expense of the over seventy-five admission professionals who are volunteering their time. Members of the Texas Association of School Financial Aid Administrators will be available to assist with detailed questions about the financial aid process and application procedures

Panhandle Panhandle Plains Museum Dinosaur Day

Dinosaur Day will roar into Canyon on Saturday, February 8. This year's event, scheduled from noon to 4 p.m., will include two new Dino activities: Dino-Dominos and Dino-Dig. An added highlight will be a fossil works presentation by Dr. Gerald Schultz from the Department of Biology and Geosciences at West Texas A&M University. Dr. Schultz will demonstrate how paleontologists separate fossils from their matrices and how to make fossil molds and casts. Tickets are priced at \$1.00 each and will allow participation in 10 different activities in the games area. For more information about Dinosaur Day, please call the Museum's Education Department at (806)656-

Texas Tomorrow Fund

Time is running out for enrollment in the Texas Tomorrow Fund, a unique program that allows Texas families to lock in the cost of tomorrow's college tuition and fees at today's prices.

Interested parents are urged by Glenda Guthrie, Spearman High School Counselor and Cathy Potts, Gruver High School Counselor, to seek further information before the February 18 deadline.

The Texas Tomorrow Fund, sponsored by the State of Texas, is a new program which aids Texas families in providing for their children's college education. Since college costs are expected to quadruple by the time a baby born this year is ready for college, the low-risk plan provides a means of assuring a college education at an affordable

price.

Any child who has not graduated from high school is eligible for the program. One to four years of college costs can be prepaid in a single lump sum or in several affordable monthly installments.

The benefits of the plan cover the tuition and fees to any state college or university or can be applied to a private college or out-of -state school. Refunds will be made if the beneficiary receives a scholarship or chooses not to go to college.

Both Spearman and Gruver counselors have attended a workshop on the college-funding plan and can provide additional information, or questions can be answered through a toll-free hotline by calling 1-800-445-GRAD.

"Lights Of Love"

Hansford Hospice Staff and Volunteers would like to express appreciation to everyone who has contributed to the "Lights of Love." Donations from the community helped to provide a special kind of care to the 22 patients and families that received hospice care in 1996. Donations helped to provide care baskets, meals, literature and special equipment not covered by traditional hospice care. MEMORIALS:

Kurk & Julie Adams & Brooke & Amanda - Rex Sanders, Ora Sanders, R.E. Sanders and Michael Rue Sanders

Mr. & Mrs. Alvin Byers -Woodville Jarvis Gene & Frances Cudd - Roy Wilmeth

Farm Bureau Congratulates James

The Board of Hansford County Farm Bureau would like to congratulate Troy James for finishing in Third Place in the State of Texas and 17th place in the sale of life insurance with Southern Farm Bureau Life Insurance Co.

Mary Alice Gibner - Ralph Bort

Randy Lowe - Ralph Bort and

Tommy & Sandy Russell - L.J.

Roy L. McClellan - Barbara J.

Tommy & Sandy Russell - Verna

Randy Lowe - J.J. Keim, Sis

Hansford Co. Veterinary

Clinic, Gruver Bridge Club, Ernie

Newcomb, Lola & Chuck

Staton, Bud & Shirley Lowe and

McClellan and Mildred Daily

Edith Smith - Preston Smith

Parrish, Clarence Russel, and Joe

Stinson Gibner - C.A. Gibner

Hazel Lesly - Glen Lesly

Paul Farren

Lee Shirley

Newcomb

& Althalie Trayler

HONORARIUMS:

Buddy & Marsha Lowe

DONATIONS:

Concerned Citizens Meeting: January 14th • 7:00 p.m. • O'Loughlin Center Concerning corporate hog farming by Texas Farms. Be there! We need your input and support!

school students who have not passed some or all portions of the tests.

Dates for the TAAS are: Writing, February 25; Math, February 26; and Reading, February 27.

Dates for TEAMS are: Math, February 26; English Language Arts, February 27.

Only students who are not enrolled in Spearman High School must preregister for the tests.

Operation Christmas Greeting

The Hansford Hospital auxiliary wishes to thank each of you for your very generous donation to Operation Christmas Greeting.

We hope that each of you had a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Instead of sending greeting cards, we donated to Operation Christmas Greeting: Dude & Verna Brown, Ray & Beth Phelps, Gene & Frances Cudd, Adalyn Barnes, Willard & Jettie Davis, I.W. & Maylynn Ayres, Granville & Muriel Boyd, Kenneth & Margarette Evans, Rosa Lee Butt, Virginia Head, Don & Lorene Kunselman, John & Virginia Trindle, Mary Fern Terry, Freeman Barkley, Olive "Babe" Pendergraft, Ed & Alva Garner, Gerturde Archer, Irvin & Betty Jean Davis, Raymond & Grace Kirk, J.D. & Rubyjo registration packet.

The registration form must be completed and returned in the preaddressed envelope and must be received in Iowa City, Iowa, no later than 5:00 p.m., January 24. The forms should be sent by registered mail.

Students preregistering for the TEAMS or TAAS must have a picture identification for each testing day in order to be able to take the tests.

Wilbanks, John & Wanda Brown,

Blanche Greene, Ralph &

Johanne Blodgett, Dale & Debby

Sanford, Dave & Helen Hand, Wm. F.D. Etling, Beulah Abston, Thane & Sue McCloy, Carl & Peggy Archer, Jewel & Betsy Ward, Rue & Ann Sanders, Marvin & Ruth Ann Jones, Steve & Celia Krug, Gus & Clementine Renner, Myrtle DeArmond, Bill & Estelle Jackson, Woody & Lois Gibner, Charles Ball, Mr. & Mrs. Howard Nash, Bob & June O'Loughlin, Velma Sanders, Ethel Ellsworth, Mary Alice Gibner, Don & Gwen Smith, Beulah Ben Bort, Barbara & Del Cluck, Nolan & Fay Holt, Beuna Lyon, Jack & Dolly McWhirter, Dorothy Roden, Bob & Ruth

Crawford, Dorothy Lusby,

Charles & Lola Newcomb, Ernest

Newcomb, R.L. McClellan, Kurk

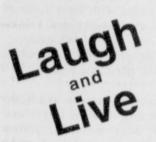
& Julie Adams & Girls, Ed Haner

Academic All-District Announced

District I-AA has released the Academic All District Football Team and Cross Country Runners. To be selected, a student must have a minimum of 90 grade

average in each class. Students selected from Spearman are: FOOTBALL - Blake Beedy, Dillon Miller, and Britt Savage; CROSS COUNTRY - Jeremy Mackie.





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A friend gave me the following article. I do not know where it originated, but I think that it is great. I hope you enjoy ...

To all who were born before 1945-before the babyboomers-

We are- The Survivors

Think with me for a few moments the changes we have witnessed: We were born before television, before penicillin, before polio shots, frozen food, Xerox, plastic contact lenses, frisbees, and the pill.

We were before radar, credit cards, overnight mail, split atoms, laser beams, and ball point pens: before panty hose, dishwashers, clothes dryers; before electric blankets, air conditioners, drip-dry clothes; and before man walked on the moon.

We got married First and then Lived together. In our time, closets were for clothes, not for coming out! Bunnies were small rabbits and rabbits were not Volkswagens. "Designer Jeans" were scheming girls called Jean or Jeanne, and having a meaningful relationship meant getting along with our cousins. Being gay meant feeling happy! We thought fast food was what you ate during lunch and outer space was the back of the theater.

We were before house-husbands, gay rights, computer dating, dual carburetors, and computer marriages. We were before day-care centers, group therapy, and nursing homes. We never heard of FM radios, tape decks, electric typewriters, CD's, fax machines, artificial hearts, word processors, yogurt, and guys wearing earrings.

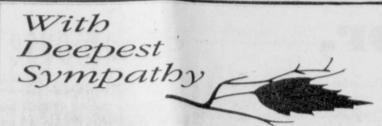
For us, time-sharing meant togetherness, not computers or condominiums. A chip meant a piece of wood, hardware meant hardware, and software wasn't even a word!! In 1940, "Made in Japan" meant "Junk" and the term "Making Out" meant "How did you do on your exam?" Pizzas, MacDonalds, and instant coffee were unheard of.

We "Hit the Scene" when there were 5 cent and 10 cent stores, where you bought things for 5 cents and 10 cents. For a nickel you could buy an ice cream cone, ride the street car, make a phone call, buy a Pepsi, mail a letter, send two postcards.

You could buy a new Chevy coupe for \$600.00 but who could afford one? A pity too because gas was only 11 cents a gallon.

In our day, cigarette smoking was fashionable. Grass was mowed, coke was a cold drink, and pot was something you cooked in. Rock music was grandma's lullaby, and AIDS were helpers in the principals's office

We made do with what we had! And we were the last generation that was so dumb as to think you needed a husband to have a baby!! No wonder we are so confused No wonder there's a generation gap!



Mary Kathryn Benson Stedje

Mary Kathryn Benson Stedje, 46, well-known Gruver resident, died late Monday evening, January 6, 1997 at the Memorial Hospital of Texas County in Guymon, Oklahoma.

Funeral services were conducted at 2 p.m. on Thursday, January 9 at the Oslo Lutheran Church with Reverend John Chandler, pastor officiating. Internment followed in Oslo Lutheran Cemetery under the direction of Henson-Novak Funeral Directors of Guymon, Oklahoma.

The daughter of Bonnie (Cook) and Austin Benson, she was born August 12, 1950 in Borger, Texas. She moved with

her family from Stratford to Gruver in 1962 and graduated from Gruver High School with the Class of 1968. She was united in marriage to Dennis Gordon Stedje on August 17, 1968. The Stedje family made their home in the Oslo community where they farmed.

After receiving her elementary education degree from Panhandle State University, Goodwell, Oklahoma, she had been actively teaching in Pringle-Morse Consolidated Independent School District for the past 9 years. Instrumental in the creation of the school's Gifted & Talented Program, she was honored twice as the Pringle-Morse Teacher of the Year.

She was a member of Oslo Lutheran Church and had been active in Alpha Mu Psi social sorority and the Gruver Music Club. Kathy Stedje will be remembered as a loving wife, mother and friend.

Survivors include her husband of 28 years, Dennis Stedje of Gruver; a daughter, Shelly Stedje of Fort Worth, Texas; a son, Scott Stedje of the home; her parents, Bonnie and Austin Benson of Gruver; a sister, Cindy and husband Jerry Holton and their children, Shannon and Jason of Spearman; a brother, Bobby Benson and his wife, Gabi of Longmont, Colorado; nieces and nephews, Shana Conley of Borger, Texas and Brett Benson of Los Angeles, California; two sisters-in-law and families, Diane and Rod Battles and Jason and Jamie of Duncan, Oklahoma and Barbara and Mark Wise and Trevor and Adriane of Tucson, Arizona; and many other close relatives and friends.

She was preceded in death by her grandparents and her mother-inlaw and father-in-law, Anna Marie and Gordon Stedje.

A Kathy Stedje Memorial has been designated for a Livestock Judging Scholarship at Oklahoma Panhandle State University. Memorials may be sent to OPSU Foundation c/o Henson-Novak Funeral Home, Box 1306, Guymon, Oklahoma 73942. The Stedje family has requested that memorials be made in lieu of floral tributes

Thank You

The family of Mary Sexson thank you for the many acts of kindness extended during the loss of our mother and grandmother.

We greatly appreciate the prayergrams, prayers, calls, flowers, food and memorials.

We feel blessed by the presence of many friends who mother loved and who loved her. Sne will live on forever in our hearts and memories.

God Bless you,

Leona King, Roena Day, Buddy King; Pete, Alta and Tim Fisher; Don & Pearl Joyner and Donna Lindsey and Grandchildren

Opal McClellan Hunt

Opal McClellan Hunt, 86, of 6207 McCoy Drive, died Monday, December 30, 1996

Services were held at 10 a.m. Thursday, January 2, 1997, in Schooler-Gordon Funeral Directors, Bell Avenue Chapel, with the Reverend Roy Wheeler of Paramount Terrace Christian Church officiating. Graveside services were at 2 p.m. Thursday in the city of Lubbock Cemetery.

Mrs. Hunt was born in Hansford County. She lived in Lubbock for 60 years and had lived in Amarillo for the past 12 years. She attended Texas Tech University. She married Howard Hunt in Clovis, New Mexico; he died in 1971.

She was a homemaker and a member of the Order of the Eastern Star and the Lubbock Daughters of the Pioneers. She also was a member of First United Methodist Church of Lubbock.

Survivors include a daughter, Faye Doss of Amarillo; five grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren.



Mr. and Mrs. Gary Ellsworth Mr. and Mrs. Archie Smith request the pleasure of your company at a Reception in honor of the Fiftieth Wedding Anniversary of their parents Mr. and Mrs. Alton Ellsworth on Sunday, the twelfth of January nineteen hundred ninety-seven from two until four o clock in the afternoon The O Loughlin Center 502 Brandt St. • Spearman, TX

No gifts, please, but a written memory, would be appreciated.



Until Next Time, May God Bless! GCS

Focus On The Family

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humanness, the sooner you can come to terms with yourself. I must agree with the writer who said, "While in the race to save our face, why not conquer inner space?" It's not a bad idea.

This question and answer is excerpted from the book Dr. Dobson Answers Your Questions. Dr. James Dobson is a psychologist, author and president of Focus on the Family, a nonprofit organization dedicated to the preservation of the home. Correspondence to Dr. Dobson should be addressed to: Focus on the Family, P.O. Box 444, Colorado Springs, CO 80903, (c) 1982 Tyndale House Publishers, Inc.

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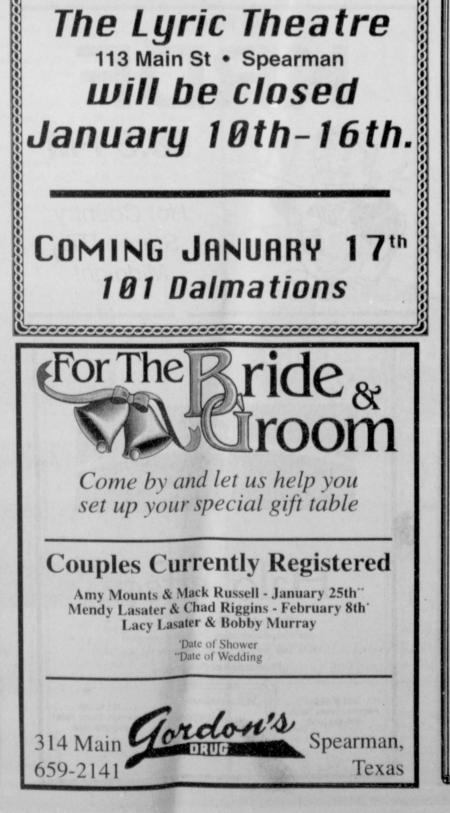
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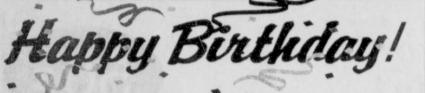
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5:15 p.m. - Gruver JV Boys vs. Booker - T
6:00 p.m. - Spearman Varsity Girls vs. West Texas - H
6:30 p.m. - Gruver Varsity Girls vs. Booker - T
7:00 p.m. - Concerned Citizens Meeting (impact of corporate hog farming on Hansford/Ochiltree county) - O'Loughlin Center
7:30 p.m. - Spearman V Boys vs. West Texas - H
8:00 p.m. - Spearman V Boys vs. West Texas - H
8:00 p.m. - Gruver Varsity Boys vs. Booker - T **Thursday, January 16** - Prohibition Remembrance Day
10:00 a.m. - Resident Council at Hansford Manor
12:00 p.m. - Spearman JV Boys vs. Booker - T
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7:00 p.m. - Mourie & Borston et Hamsford Manor Tuesday, December 14 - Ratification Day 5:30 p.m. - Gruver Varsity Boys vs. Sunray - H Friday, January 17 2:00 p.m. - Movie & Popcorn at Hansford Manor 5:00 p.m. - Spearman JV Girls vs. Stratford - T 5:00 p.m. - Gruver JV Girls vs. Hooker - H 5:00 p.m. - Gruver JV Boys vs. Hooker - H 6:00 p.m. - Spearman Varsity Girls vs. Hooker - H 7:30 p.m. - Spearman Varsity Boys vs. Stratford - T 6:30 p.m. - Gruver Varsity Boys vs. Stratford - T 8:00 p.m. - Gruver Varsity Boys vs. Hooker - H 7:30 p.m. - Spearman Varsity Boys vs. Stratford - T 8:00 p.m. - Gruver Varsity Boys vs. Hooker - H Saturday, January 18 - Maintenance Day 5:00 p.m. - All Region Band Concert at West Texas State University Sunday, January 19 3:00 p.m. - Hansford Manor Church Service - Waka Church of the Brethren Lanuary Monthly Outlook Human Resources Month • National Eye Care Month March of Dimes Birth Defects Prevention Month National Hot Tea Month • National Retail Bakers Month National Prune Breakfast Month • National Soup Month National Oatmeal Month • Volunteer Blood Donor Month Thyroid Disease Awareness Month



January 9

Birthdays - Bob Bort, Miles Messer, Louise Vanderberg, Kirby Taylor, Eric Brown, Brett Jarvis, Connie Holmes, Jim Bass, Edna Marie Walker, Kiley Comms, Helen Blan Anniversaries - Mr. & Mrs. Manuel Gomez, Mr. & Mrs. Sonny Kell,

Mr. & Mrs. Bill Logsdon January 10

Birthdays - Dwight Gillispie, Melina Robertson, Mary Schuman, Jerry Pat Davis, Willie Salgado, Larry Kelly, Kyle McLaughlin, Chrissy Bensinger, Barbara Rojas, Justin

Johnson Anniversaries - Mr. & Mrs. Lewis Frantz

January 11

Birthdays - Norma Edens, Marcy Hendrick, Gloria Knox, Chad Riggins, Karen Kirk, Bill Pittman, Louise Kizzar, Shayla Jo Barber, Leeta Prather

Anniversaries - Mr. & Mrs. Melvin Bradley

January 12

Birthdays - Fay Blount, Imogene Williams, Helen Fisher, Georgia McLeod, Francis Biles, Toni Archer, Dori Anderson, Britt Savage, Cory Anderson, Earl Wattier, Steve Stedje, Bryant Layton, Steve Ellis, Downing Salazar, Bradley Carlisle,

Anniversaries - Alton & Peggy Ellsworth, Mr. & Mrs. Billy Miller, Mr. & Mrs. Cliff Lang, Mr. & Mrs. Jerry Overbey

January 13

Birthdays - Nancy Babbs, Debbie Knight, Justin Carthel, Trisha Fitzegerald, T.J. Johnson, Molly McLain, Regina Biggers, Don Ed Watson, Laura Mackie, Susan Sheets Noel, Jana Buchanan, Sherry Allen, Nancy Wilson, Kim Vera, Jack McKea, Jimmie Vernon, Diane Boyd, Tiffany Brown, June Mitchell

January 14

Birthdays - Charlene Spivey, John Bishop, Ellen Reynolds, JoAnn Kell, Gwen Younger, Frank Lozano Jr., Tony Ferguson, Daniel Poppy

January 15 Birthdays - Christopher Clawson, Tucker Henson, Nancy Boyles, Loyall

Turner, Shannon Scroggs, KimBerry Jenkins, Shari Jones, Brenda McLain, Jay McCormick, Kristi Wall, Carl Urban, Dustin Beck

Anniversaries - Billy & Martina Miller

January 16

Birthdays - Viva Devine Ynese Williams, Howard Goodrich, Steve Reed, Irvin Davis, Juanita Cook, Jodi Larson, Jason Babitzke, Kelly Sue Cates, Fred Van BusKirk, Norman Brock, Felix Sandavol, Clifton Morrison, Josh Schumann, Carlene Kirk Patrick, Eva Espinosa, Shirley Burton

Anniversaries - Mr. & Mrs. Paul Hazelwood

January 17

Birthdays - Derik Grotegutt, Justin Johnson, Karen Kelly, Terry Sherill, Butch Schaefer, Jeffrey Spencer, Bob Short, Dana Booth, Sheri Benton, Frank Miller, Nancy Grvoes, Wayne Bayless, Tera Red. Julie Adams, Jason Ridge, Ben Upchurch

January 18

Birthdays - Daniel Boyd, Ervin Wright, Doyle Jackson, Curtis Davis, Candy Thoreson Golden Bradley Bell, Larry Evans, Schane Schneider, Bett Brown, Ole Dahl, Pat Randall, Jessica Blan

January 19

Birthdays - Paula Kizzar, Elvia Perez, Walter Murrell, Calvin Bodey, Nella Beth McCloy, Carlton Nelson, Melissa Sutterfield, Curtis Ray Hays, Barbara Collier, Donna Murray, Rosa Linda Reger, Justin Harris, Perry Arnold, Billy Hays, Jose Favela Jr. Stacy DeLaCruz, Jeremy Vera, Bradi Brown, Donna Sue Renteria Anniversaries - Mr. & Mrs. Roy Diaz

CASKET SPRAY 4 doz. Carnations \$9900 All Occasion Flower 517 Plains Shopping Center



F. Hugh Banks

F. Hugh Banks, 70, died Friday, December 13, 1996. Services were held at 9:30 a.m. Tuesday, December 17 at the Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Sutherland, Iowa, with Father Gerald Zeman who officiated. Internment was in the Calvary Cemetery in Sutherland.

Mr. Banks was born in Paullina, Iowa to Herbert S. and Rungna M. Strand Banks. He grew up in Paullina, where he graduated from Paullina High School in 1944. After graduating, Mr. Banks joined the US Navy from May of 1944 to March of 1947. He served in the South Pacific and was involved in radar technology. After being honorably discharged from the service, Mr. Banks attended the University of Iowa.

He married Jacquelyn "Jackie" J. Steinert at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Sutherland, Iowa on June 23, 1949. They lived in Paullina for a short time after their marriage and Mr. Banks was employed in the wallpaper and paint business and in the electrical department for the City of Paullina. In 1950, he began his career with ENRON Corp. (formerly Northern Natural Gas) in Omaha. He was transferred by ENRON Corp. in 1959 to South Sioux City, Nebraska and then to Spearman, Texas. Their oldest son graduated from Spearman High School in 1968. Then in 1968, they returned to Omaha and in 1982, Mr. Banks retired from ENRON Corp. - he was a Cathodic Engineer; and through continuing education and work experience received the degree of Professional Engineering.

After his retirement in 1982, Mr. and Mrs. Banks moved to Lake Okoboji, Iowa and in 1994, they moved near Central City to be close to family. For the last 13 years, their winters were spent in Mesa, Arizona.

Mr. Banks was a member of St. Michael's Catholic Church in Central City, the American Legion, a past member of the VFW and the National Association of Corrosion Engineers. He spent his time enjoying his grandchildren and his many hobbies - singing (he was part of a quartet when in Arizona), making stained glass designs, silversmithing, golfing, fishing and wood carving.

Mr. Banks is survived by his wife; three sons, Ken (Connie) Banks of Hastings, Mike (Dawn) Banks of Columbus and Greg (Rebecca) Banks of Dallas, Texas; three brothers, Herbert Banks of Bakersfield, California, and Robert and Walter Banks both of Minneapolis, Minnesota; one sister, Lavina (Glenn) Lemonds of Atwater, Minnesota and four grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by one brother, Oliver Banks.

G. Irene Franklin Smith

G. Irene Franklin Smith, 91, died Monday, December 30, 1996. Services were held at 10:30 a.m. Thursday, January 2, 1996, in Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors Colonial Chapel with Dr. R.L. Kirk, pastor of First United Methodist Church, officiating. Burial was in Memory Gardens Cemetery.

Mrs. Smith was born on the Waggoner Ranch near Groom. She was an honor graduate of Amarillo College, majoring in business. She moved to Pampa in 1933 and was a bookkeeper for Culberson-Smalling Chevrolet. She married Irl Marvin Smith in 1935. They owned and operated Smith Studio from 1936 to 1994. Her husband died in 1994.

She held various offices in the Panhandle Photographers Guild and was a member of the Texas Professional Photographers Association. In 1970, on the group's 50th anniversary year, she became the second woman to serve as president of the founding members of the American Photographic Artisans Guild. She served as national president of the APAG in 1978. She was presented an honorary degree in 1991 and a Distinguished Service Award in 1993.

Mrs. Smith was a life member of the Professional Photographers of America and in 1991, she and her husband were the first couple to be honored by the PPA with the Director's Award for distinguished service to the profession. They were also one of the first couples from Texas to be honored as lifetime members of the Oklahoma Professional Photographers Association.

She was in the first group of graduates from the advanced portrait class of the PPA's Winona School of Photography. She received the Craftsman degree from the PPA in 1977.

She was a member of First United Methodist Church. She sang in the choir and for many years taught Sunday school in the youth and adult divisions. She also was active in the Wesleyan Service Guild. She was a member of Altrusa International, where she served various local offices and was instrumental in helping establish the Career Day programs at Pampa High School. Survivors include a son, Dwayne Smith of Spearman; a daughter, Rochelle Lacy of Pampa; three sisters, Hazle Butler of Pampa, Cleo Nix of Groom and Virgie Vance of Oklahoma City; a brother, Orville Franklin of Pampa; three grandchildren; five great-grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to First United Methodist Church, the Altrusa Club or the International Photography Hall of Fame and Museum, Kirkpatrick Center, Oklahoma City, 73111.

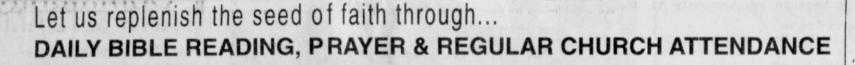
Mary Ruth Sexson

Mary Ruth Sexson, 98, died Monday, December 2, 1996. Services were held at 2 p.m. Thursday, December 5, 1996 in

Huddleston's Funeral Home Chapel with John Webb officiating. Mrs. Sexson was born January 11, 1898, in Harrison, Arkansas. She

moved with her family to Catoosa, Indian Territory, then to Chandler. She married Marshall Leroy Sexson on August 10, 1915. He died January 12, 1966. They farmed and ranched in the Cache area for more than 50 years. She was employed by Fort Sill until her retirement. She was a charter member of Cache Assembly of God Church. She was also a charter member of Oklahoma Garden Club and the Cache Mr. and Mrs. Iris Club, which she served as president. She had also been a member of PTA and a home demonstration club.

Survivors include three daughters: Leona King, Tucson, Arizona; Alta Fisher, Spearman, Texas; Pearl Joyner, Fieldton, Texas; four grandchildren, eight great-grandchildren and three great-greatgrandchildren.



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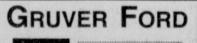
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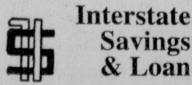
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It was a frightening experience for Kay Ivey in the middle of the night last Monday night when she was notified that her business, Ivey's Hungry Cowboy, was on fire. The fire started in the insulation in the smoke room, the exact cause is not known. The kitchen and dining area sustained heavy smoke damage. After being closed for a week for renovation the restaurant opened on Monday. Mrs. Ivey was emphatic in her praise for the efforts of the Spearman Fire Department, and their ability to contain the fire without greater damage. Kassie Weatherly with the Spearman Police saw the fire about 2:30 a.m. and alerted the fire department.

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The Amarillo News-Globe Sunday edition carried a picture of John and Elnora Gillaspie and an announcement of their 50th wedding anniversary reception on Saturday in Amarillo.

Their sons and spouses sponsored the event. They are Dick and LeAnn Gillaspie of Spearman and Bill and Billie Jo Gillaspie of Amarillo. *******

The passing of Opal McClellan Hunt, 86, in Amarillo last week marks the last of that generation of the McClellan's, a prominent, pioneer family of Hansford County. Mrs. Hunt was born in Hansford County.

R.L. and Wilson McClellan of the next generation are among the local survivors, as well as Ann Sanders, Elmo McClellan and Juanita Logan, all nieces and nephews.

Guests of John and Virginia Trindle during the Christmas holidays were Dr. Doug Steger of Graham with Abbe and Nathan; Jan and Larry Holt and family, and several members of Virginia's family. They included her brother, Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Fluitt, Booker; their son, Mike Fluitt, Houston; his sons Travis and Russell of Dallas; Cindy Fluitt, their daughter, San Fransico; Kenneth Hocking and Denise Sammons of Perryton and Mr. and Mrs. Harold Wayland, Arnett.

Sympathy is extended to Dwayne Smith on the passing of his mother, Mrs. Irene Smith, 91.

Stubben and her daughter, Patricia, of Amarillo.

The Hobsons visited in the home of her parents, Clydene and Jesse Ramsey, of Morse, as did their two sons. They brought their banjos and guitars and all enjoyed a great musical evening. *******

Coming from the east coast to share the pleasant Panhandle weather during ten days were Sandy and Mike Bravo. She is a sister of Brenda Winegarner, and they live near Boston. All visited several times in the home of Jerry and C.A. Davis, of Gruver.

The Winegarners took them to Oklahoma City for their return flight, and they shared a New Year's eve celebration.

***** Sara Dossett is relishing her

solitude and rest after some weeks of travel and activity. On December 20 she flew to Harlingen to spend Christmas in the home of Buddy and Becky Dossett and family.

On the 27 her grandson, Rickey Neely, and his two children arrived in Spearman from Omaha. They met her in Amarillo and all went to Lubbock for several days with his mother, Diana Carter.

Upon their return they spent some time in Pampa as Buddy and Becky and family had come up to visit her parents.

Rickey and his two girls returned to Omaha the last of the week.

For several days during the holidays, it was wall-to-wall family in the home of R.L. McClellan. All four of his children and their families were here.

Visiting other family members and old friends were Dr. Bill and Sherry McClellan and four children from Port Lavaca; Dr. David and Ginger McClellan and five children from Temple; James and Becky Madison and two children from Amarillo; and Reverend Steve and Jeanie Holston and three children of Midland.

Don and Gloria Knox returned Monday from a lengthy Christmas stay in the home of their son David and Reta Knox at Hart. Their other son Danny and Cathy and children had arrived in Spearman a few days earlier from their home in Evanston, Wyoming; Don and Danny and Lee enjoyed some local hunting here before all went to Hart. David's daughters and two husbands were there. They were extremely pleased that Cindy Knox Al Rimaly of Saudi Arabi could be with them, though her husband could not. She has adjusted well to her

foreign surroundings and is enjoying her teaching the third grade at the British-American Consulate.

She is pleased that there are several American businesses there where she lives, McDonalds, J.C. Penneys, and others. ********

On Friday, near the airport south of Gruver, a controlled burn of grass along the highway rightof-way was underway when the wind suddenly shifted, and smoke covered the highway. Two loaded cattle trucks had to suddenly slow and the second truck rear-ended the first, doing considerable damage. The trucks were owned by Rogers Trucking of Hooker. Other information simply was not available-the owner of the cattle, the feed lot where they were loaded, the packing plant where they were headed, the number of head killed, any injury to the drivers. ********

Several Hansford County folk have relatives in Washington, Oregon and northern California. Rick Hendricks, and wife "C.C.", son of Nina and Don Hendricks live at Bell View, Washington. This is near Tacoma and Seattle. Sunday was Rick's birthday, and in a conversation with his parents, he assured them that their area in Bell View had escaped the severe damage in the floods and snow fall. All the surrounding country side is flooded and there are dangerous mud slides there and in other near-by towns.

Rick was in Spearman the month of November assisting in taking Don for his radiation treatments.

Arbeta Nobles and her mother, Dorothy Tackitt, have spoken with her sister, Anita Prelaini in Redding, northern California. Their home had not yet been damaged by the dreadful floods, but there is tremendous damage in the city. All the surrounding area is flooded and there are dangerous mud slides in the vicinity. Highway #5 runs through enroute from northern California to Oregon and Washington, and it has been washed out in several places. This causes an enormous accumulation of interstate trucks which are stranded. The near-by Shasta River has over-flowed its banks and is flowing over the

Anita and husband have been able to get to their places of employment, though the loss of electricity has been a problem. *******

dams.

Sandy Morris, mother of Lori, returned on New Year's Day from a visit with them and was pleased with their situation. *******

Linn Gibner, contacting his parents, Lois and Woodrow, from Portland, Oregon said that neither his home nor place of business has received flood damage. Right now, his main problem is having the flu. Earlier he had spoken of being without electricity for several days, both at home and his business. *****

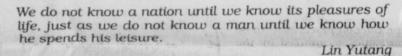
What was the most important event occurring in Spearman and the county during 1996? Possibly of general interest would be the death of the sky-diver on the football field.

Of course the loss of a loved one would be momentous to the family and always mark the year. The arrival of a new born, the breaking of the drought, the hottest temperature, the coldest temperature--all are of interest. *******

Notice in the newspaper that Bill Clinton had complained to the secret service about a minister who approached him and quietly told him that he, Clinton, would have to answer to the Lord for his veto of the late term abortion bill. The secret service detained the minister for a short while, and after questioning, released him.

The newspapers have described the cruel, sickening method of killing a baby in late term abortion. The T.V. news have sort of skipped over it. It is too graphic to be described in this column. And it is absolutely incredible that any doctor would be guilty of it. *****

Well, time for New Years Resolutions - your neighbor will stop a couple of exercises and begin another-stop that jogging (to the dining table) - weight lifting (knife and fork)- and begin chest. skipping--certain good foods.





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by Dorothy Hudson Lake Depth-Janaury 6, 1997-42 feet and 8 inches

The Lake is down 10 feet from the high of 52 feet and 9 inches September 20. Jim says that it is going down 4.5 inches a week now instead of the 5 inches a week it was losing two or three weeks ago.

The star attractions at the Lake now are the geese and eagles. The huge flocks of geese usually fly out to feed from sunup to an hour after. Then somewhere around ten o'clock they fly back to the Lake. About five o'clock they repeat the pattern, as they go out to feed once again. They are very noisy. When you get the sun just right it is a sight to see.

The great number of snow geese has made it more spectacular this year. See if you can pick out any blue geese. These birds, which come in smaller numbers, have backs and chests a dark grayish brown; their heads, necks and bellies are white. Formerly considered a separate species, they are now recognized as a different color phase than the white. The birds that winter in Texas are a sub-species called the "lesser snow geese." The larger "greater snow geese" winter only along the mid-Atlantic coast. The black patches on the wing tips of the snow geese are very striking when you see the birds flying over.

Most of us can recognize the Canada goose for its black head and neck with the white chin strap. The greater white-fronted goose or speckle belly is a medium-size goose. The white front of its name comes from a white strip just above the beak. I had expected it to have a white

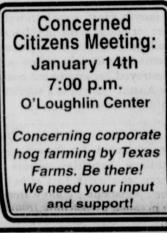
Last Thursday Jim was able to see 6 eagles from the office with the scope. Four of them were obviously bald eagles. During the holidays I was lucky enough to have a bald eagle fly over two different times while I was traveling on the paved road that runs west of the Palo Duro Feed

From an interview with Atarah Wright (Mrs. Mel Wright) August 15, 1940.

"After the courthouse was built, dances were a popular pastime, people coming from miles around to enjoy this social contact. Once a big crowd was snow bound in the courthouse for several days. We were living nearby in a dugout, which we had built after the storm blew our house away. I cooked for that crowd. So many came and went down our dugout steps and so much snow was brought down, I had to wear my overshoes, but I waded around and cooked food and sent it over to the courthouse for our guests.

No, this didn't use up all our supplies. We bought only twice a year but in large quantities-coffee by the case, sugar by the 100 pounds sacks."

The purpose of psychology is to give us a completely different idea of the things we know best. -Paul Valéry

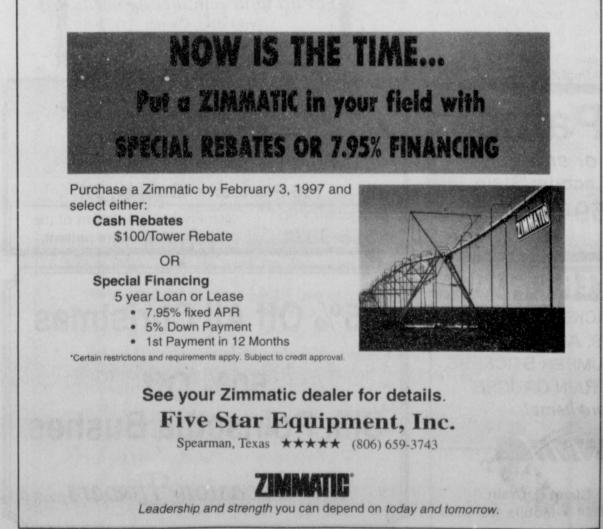




Services were in Pampa on Thursday. Obituary is elsewhere in this issue. ******

During the holidays, Rubyjo and J.D. Wilbanks enjoyed several relatives. His niece, Mr. and Mrs. Steve Hobson, Rowland Heights, California; their son, Jason Shultz, and his newly-wed English bride. Jason is with the U.S. Air Force in England. Other guests were Rubyjo's niece D.J.

Relatives of Quentin Hart, of Olympia, Washington, report that he and Lori are relieved that their home has escaped damages from the heavy snows, ice and rains. He reports that they are enjoying living in Olympia and that their work and children are fine.



Dear Editor,

Dear Publisher/Editor:

I have just viewed, via video, the Sunday, December 29 edition of 60 Minutes, and I have personally read much, both pro and con, concerning corporate hog farming. For the past year, I have been employed by a major general contractor that specializes in the construction of swine and poultry facilities across the United States. Because of that I have been in and around many hog facilities.

The 60 minutes segment focused on hog farming in North Carolina, a state in which has no zoning laws and few environmental controls at the state level. North Carolina is also dramatically different from the southern High Plains in terms of topography, climatology and geology. It is a high rainfall-humidity region, with much local relief. Engineering of drainage and lagoons for construction there is much more involved and failure of any water-holding structure there holds much more of a threat to the surrounding land and water resources.

Hog farms in the panhandles of Texas and Oklahoma are being built on flat terrain in a semi-arid region and the lagoons are countersunk into the soil precluding the flooding of any surrounding land or water systems except in the most unusual conditions. In addition, all of the lagoons being built for Texas Farm facilities are compacted to 95%, basically making them impermeable to leakage. In the places where the compaction is disturbed for reinstallation of draining and/or water pipes, the surrounding soil is mixed with bentonite and recompacted.

For many years hydrologists have told us that the Ogallala Aquifer, underlying the Great Plains does not receive surface recharge, yet when new industry or development is considered, the cry goes up that our ground water will be polluted by leaching from ponds, lagoons, etc. Water pollution is really not an issue with the building of hog farm facilities in the Texas Panhandle.

As for hog farms' use of water, the facilities being built in the Texas Panhandle recycle waste water to minimize their impact Unfortunately, in every walk of on the existing water resources.

fastidious pork producer in the nation when it comes to biosecurity for the purposes of disease control. They have special arrangements at each site to quickly dispose of the inevitable fatalities associated with large-scale animal production. Texas Farm will not be dealing with death losses in a manner inconsistent with public or pig health.

With regard to the hog industry's use of minimum-wage laborers, that has long been the practice of agriculture everywhere. Many local farmers use less-than-minimum-wage to reimburse their employees. But Texas Farm's starting wage is well above minimum wage. Also Texas Farm will have a complete benefits package for its workers; many agricultural employers do not.

Few people, if any, really embrace change, but change is inevitable. Economic and community benefits require change and investment. Personally, I don't like the smell of hog farms (I do know some companies are more conscientious than others about reducing odor). But then I don't like the light pollution of city street lights that obscure the night sky. There are many things about growth that I don't like, but healthy, prosperous communities require change and growth.

There is always the potential for offenses in life, especially in times of change. But good relationships and strong communities weather offenses and grow better and stronger as a result.

> Sincerely, Dan Carter

To the editor:

I am writing to respond to a letter to the editor that was published last week comparing our production practices to those of companies scrutinized by the program 60 Minutes.

We do not condone illegal or immoral activities such as were reported on in the 60 Minutes program. We have no first-hand knowledge of these companies and therefore cannot comment about their reported practices. life there are those who do not believe the rules apply to them. At Texas Farm, we play by the rules and seek to exceed in every form the environmental regulations of our industry. In fact, Texas Farm exceeds by not the most, quality- and several times the state's environmental regulations for facilities such as ours. Our lagoons are more than 30-percent what the state requires. We then test each of our lagoons more than 60 times, much more than what the state requires.

Our waste management system, we believe, is among the most technologically advanced. Ours is a two-stage lagoon process which uses evaporation -- rather than irrigation -- to dispose of excess effluent, while the sludge remains at the bottom of a deep lagoon, undisturbed. We recycle the water we use through our waste management system. This is not the system a company would build if it were only interested in short-term profitability, not long-term viability and good neighbor relations.

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We at Texas Farm seek to run a company that is environmentally sound and socially responsible. To condemn us because of the actions of others constitutes guilt by association and is unfair.

Over the next few weeks we will begin to tell the Texas Farm story throughout Spearman and Hansford County. It is one of commitment, dedication and trust. Our pork is the finest in the world, and we believe it can only be produced at the world's finest facilities and by the world's finest people.

We are proud of the reputation we are building in the pork industry, and we look forward to earning the trust of our neighbors here in Hansford County.

> Sincerely, Don Clift General Affairs Manager Texas Farm



Its A Girl!

P.D. and Renea Swink are roud to announce the birth of their laughter, Kelcie Lyn Swink. Kelcie Lyn was born at 4:44 a.m. on Monday. December 16, 1996 at Ocbiltree General Hospital. She peighed 8 pounds 1-1/2 ounces, and was 20 1/2 inches long.

Proud grandparents are James and Lynda Robinson of Claude Texas, and Jerry and Norma Swink of Port Isabel, Texas.



The Morse Baptist Church will be having their "His Friends" class on Wednesday, January 8 at 4:30 p.m.

For our new Sunday school classes, Susan McCloy will be teaching the Ten Commandments. Jack Crowl will have the second half of the book of Matthew for the Adults this next three months. Come at 9:45 a.m. each Sunday and learn more of what God has to say to us.

Chaplain Wayne Horton and his wife, from the Amarillo Clements Unit Prison will be with us. He will preach for us Sunday morning, January 26. Our Church will have dinner. This will be a time of fellowship and for some questions and answers. ************

Mike Martin and family had Carla's sister and husband Mollie Bedwell from Sunray as dinner guests Christmas day.

Robie and David Reid had all their children Christmas Eve. Thad and Amy from Plainview, Randy and Lavon and children from Gruver, Rex and family from Spearman, Casandra and Paul Lauderdale and children from Weatherford, Robie's niece. Also, Leota Gibbin, Robie's mother was present. *******

We would like to congratulate Ed and Marge Papay for 50 great years together. They had all of their children at the 50th Anniversary Celebration last Saturday. Marge and Ed had all their children home for Christmas. Leslie and Barney Barnhart

were present for the Anniversary Party. Casandra and Paul from Grand Prairie and children, Valerie Papay from Tulsa, Oklahoma, and the rest from Amarillo and Morse were present.

****** Sahala and Jana McCloy were at home to visit Mark and Annetta McCloy over the holidays. They go to school at Western Texas College in Snyder, Texas ******

Maria Trejo visited the Lupe Trejo family over the holidays. She goes to college at Texas Tech in Lubbock.

Ronnie and Lisa King and family had as their guests at Christmas Jacque Johnson from Denver, Colorado, Lisa's mother and also her grandfather, Martin from Cody, Wyoming. ******

Walter and Maria Jones had all their children home for Christmas. Debrah and family from Borger, Ricky and family from Amarillo, Virgel and family from Borger. ******

We will all miss Nanelle and Charlie Riser and girls. They left Saturday for Cabool, Missouri to live. They will be living close to her mother and dad. Wilson and Nan McCloy. Gary Urban and Lonnie Clemmons helped them move. Also Charlie's mother and dad went down to help them move.

We had a going away party for them Tuesday night. Everyone enjoyed the party.

Mildred Lewis left Sunday before Christmas on Wednesday. I went to Wichita Falls to visit my daughter Linda Lou Lewis. We left Christmas Eve to go to New Braunfels to visit my son Van and Kathy Lewis and Ammanda. We came back on Sunday after Christmas. Then I came home from Wichita Falls on Monday, enjoyed every day of it. ******

Our Pringle-Morse boys and girls will be at the Spearman Tournament this coming Thursday. Girls play Perryton at 6 p.m., boys play Perryton at 7:15 p.m. on Thursday. Friday and Saturday depend on if they win or lose. Go Pringle-Morse go! ********

Shelby Reiswig is still doing good playing with West Texas of Stinnett. He had 10 points Friday night. They played Whitedeer. District play starts Tuesday. They will play Stratford. *****

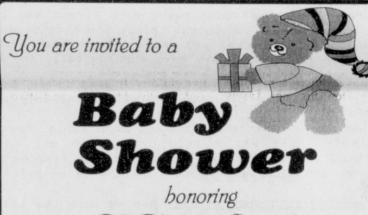
Our community was saddened this morning with the loss of one of our dear teachers, Kathy Stedje. She was the third grade teacher from Gruver. She will be missed.

Dwight and Suzanne Gillispie with Robert and Gena, and Elvagene Thuett had a terrific holiday season. They left the 13th of December for Houston to visit Alan and Martha Howell where Alan is a student at University of Texas school of Medicine at Houston, and Martha is Director of Student Affairs at Texas School of Business. On the way to Houston they stopped for an overnight visit with Jim and Gwen Highsmith, former Morse residents. Back home on the 21st, the rush was on to prepare for Gena's first Christmas. What fun!

***** On January 2, Wirt and Linda Davis hosted a 42 party in the home of Linda's father, Jack Gillispie. Attending were Bob and Kathy Gillispie, Judy Stedje, all of Gruver, and Nell Henderson, Dwight, Suzanne and Gena Gillispie, Lorraine Schick, Mildred Lewis, and Elvagene



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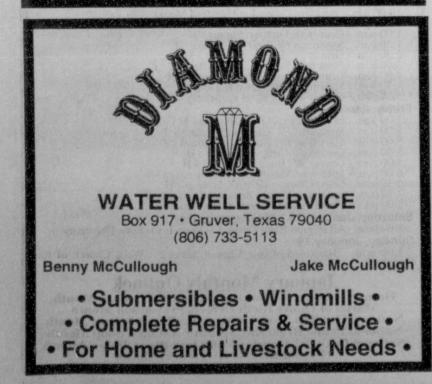


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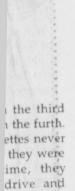
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Papay's Celebrate 50th Wedding Anniversary

Over 75 family members and friends gathered together on December 28th at the Morse Community Building to congratulate Ed & Marge Papay on their 50th wedding anniversary. The celebration was hosted by their children and grandchildren.

Guests were greeted by granddaughter Kathryn Papay, when signing the guest book. Serving the cake and punch were granddaughters Leslie Barnhart and Mikala Reiswig. The table was decorated with golden tinsel, golden candy kisses, nuts, and mints. The original bride and groom used on the wedding cake in 1946 was once again used on the cake in 1996. Everyone enjoyed looking at the original wedding album on display, too.

Edward Harold married the former Margaret Lucille Hensley at the First Baptist Church in Elkhart, Kansas, on December 29, 1946. In 1951, they moved to Hitchland, Texas, and in 1958 moved to Hansford County. Ed has always been involved in farming and is still doing custom farming in the area. They owned and operated the Morse Grocery from 1971-1978. Prior to their marriage, Ed served in the Naval Air Corps during WWII. Twenty-two months were served in the South Pacific. After the service, he returned to Elkhart where he was in the grocery business. Marge worked at the drug store, cashier at a cafe, and was a secretary to an attorney during WW II.

From this marriage, they have four children, ten grandchildren, and two great grandchildren. Children and spouses are, Edward Harold Jr. (Eddie) of Morse, Gary & Vicky Papay of Amarillo, Travis & Milana Reiswig, and Tony all of Morse. Grandchildren and spouses are, Paul & Cassondra Lauderdale of Weatherford, Texas, Craig and Leslie Barnhart of Grand Prairie, Valorie Papay of Tulsa, Ro canne Papay of Plainview and her fiance Jay Davis of Hart, Mark, John, Kathryn, and Elizabeth Papay all of Amarillo, and Shelby & Mikala Reiswig of Morse. Great grandchildren are Sarah and Bryan Lauderdale of Weatherford. All of the family was able to attend except Valorie, Mark, and Elizabeth Papay.

Out of town guests and relatives were: Wilbur & Geneva Thorpe of Dumas, Roy & Mary Ida Papay of Elkhart, Kansas, Eileene Welicky of Wichita, Kansas, Melborne & Alice Headrick of Hooker, Oklahoma, Lotuc Smith, Hooker, Evelyn Papay of Optima, Oklahoma, Richard & Gail King, of Woodward Oklahoma, Truman & Mary Hintergardt, Doratha Beasley, and Ronnie, Kathy, Karissa White all of Guymon, Oklahoma, Elmer & Adeline Hensley of Loveland Colorado, Dave & Sue Hensley of Del Norte, Colorado, Stacy Poole of Denver, Colorado, Dora Womble of Spearman and Cindy Becheneur of San Antonio.

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Houndball Wrap-Up

by Tucker Henson

Change has been a constant on the Greyhound basketball team this year. The 96-97 Greyhounds have seen roster changes, strategy changes, and even a uniform change. These changes have been made in preparation for the upcoming district games and Coach Tim Garland feels that the team has learned a lot and is much improved from November. The most noticeable change is the traditional and never overlooked shaved heads. Yes, the bald look is back in Gruver. Christmas vacation marked the end of hair gel and shampoo, and the new, more aerodynamic Greyhounds are ready to begin a district season that will hopefully lead to Austin. This is the team that will travel the journey: #10 -Brant Armes, #12 - Buster McLain, #20 - Matt Overbey, #24 - Charlie Stavlo, #30 - Jason TeBeest, #32 -Jim Potts, #40 - Josh Mayhew, #42 - Rob Murrell, #44 - Jared Johnson, #52 - Heath Tolleson, #54 - Vat Pessoa

This group of young men, led by Coach Tim Garland and Assistant Coach Lonnie Burnam, traveled forty miles to participate in the Stratford Invitational this Thursday, Friday, and Saturday. They fought hard and played with Greyhound pride. This tournament contained the final games before district and gave the Hounds an opportunity to burn off some Christmas turkey.

The Hounds began the tournament on Thursday night with a contest against Vega. The Hounds played a sublime game and destroyed Vega's hopes of a win early in the competition. The Hounds jumped out in a 18-9 lead and continued to build on that lead throughout the night. After thirty-two minutes of intense play, the scoreboard displayed a 67-40 win for Gruver. Josh Mayhew led the team with 27 points, accumulating 19 of them in the first half. Brant Armes finished with 11 assists, and Jim Potts led the team in rebounds with nine. The Hounds earned a trip to the second round and a chance to play Stratford.

The Hounds walked onto the court to face Stratford at 8:30 on Friday night. 'The gym was packed with spectators eager to observe the game. Stratford busted out to an 11-4 lead in the first quarter and never let up. The Hounds fought back fiercely, but their shots did not fall. The Greyhounds suffered a disappointing defeat of 46-30. Brant Armes and Josh Mayhew compiled 10 points a piece, and Heath Tolleson grabbed five rebounds to lead the team. Saturday, Gruver faced the Sudan Hornets for third place. Sudan came away with an early lead of 17-5, scoring on 8 of their first 10 possessions. The first quarter ended with an unfavorable score of 22-13. The Hounds picked up their play and went point for point with Sudan in

the final three quarters, but they were unable to overcome Sudan's lead. In the end, the Greyhounds suffered another discouraging defeat of 67-58.

Gruver finished the Stratford tournament in fourth place overall. Although the outcome could have been more favorable towards Gruver, the weekend was very productive. Coach Garland commented on the tournament stating, "We have learned many valuable lessons and have become a better team. We are going into district play with a record of 0-0." Greyhounds vs. Vega Longhorns

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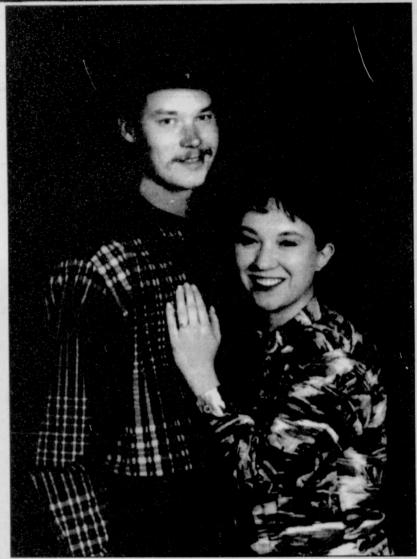
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Engagement Announcement

Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Mosier of Spearman announce the engagement of their daughter, Amy Mounts, to Mack Russell.

Russell is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Mark Russell of Georgetown, Texas. The couple plans to be wed January 25, 1997 at Christ Lutheran Church in Georgetown.

The bride-elect is Gruver High School graduate and is currently attending PSU. She is employed at McMurry Clinic in Guymon, Oklahoma.

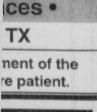
The prospective groom is a graduate of Georgetown High School. He is currently employed at Henry C. Hitch Feeders in Guymon.



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Ed & Marge enjoy their life in Morse. They have always enjoyed their children and grandchildren, school events, sports, etc. They have lived in Morse for over 25 years.

Thank You

We would like to thank our children and grandchildren for the lovely 50th Anniversary Reception they gave in our honor Saturday, December 28, 1996.

Thanks to everyone for the many beautiful cards, gifts and your presence at this special occasion for us.

Our son, Eddie, also enjoyed being able to visit everyone. Ed and Marge Papay Morse, Texas



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by Harletta Carthel

The best gift of the holiday season was the homecoming of our college students, family, and friends. Although space prohibits naming them all, it was a delight to our community to have them in our midst again.

For two Gruver college students, the holidays were spent in an untraditional way.

Toby Setliff, daughter of Bob and Karen Setliff, fulfilled her government class requirement at Lubbock Christian University in a "jamester". This is the term used to describe an intensive, condensed period of school that is "jammed" in the interim of the fall and spring semesters of college during the holiday break. Kevin Spivey spent a quick

Christmas with has family, the Brad Spiveys, before heading to Costa Rica where he spent three weeks with a host family while attending intensive Spanish classes each day. The study is a unique way Texas Tech students can complete their Spanish degree requirement.

Rex Ralston, mid-term graduate of Tarleton State University, has relocated to Abilene where he has begun his new job for Ethredge Cattle Company. His employer is former Gruver resident, Ray Ethredge.

Janyth Hart was honored by her friends with a "back to college" shower to replace the items Janyth lost when a fire destroyed her apartment complex in Austin. Janyth is a sophomore at the University of Texas.

Jim and Mendy Davis accompanied daughter Kasey to Abilene Saturday where the three watched KiKi Carthel and the McMurry Lady Indians basketball game. Kasey basketball game. proceeded on to San Marcos where she is s senior at Southwest Texas State University Kasey's cousin, Matthew Murrell, son of former residents Mike and Charlotte Murrell, is a freshman at the university.

Music is again filling the air as Kristi Holt has resumed lessons with her piano students.

The Gruver Senior Citizens will meet Monday, January 13, at the Golden Age Center. The group will have lunch together and spend the afternoon playing games. Dues of \$3 will be taken in January.

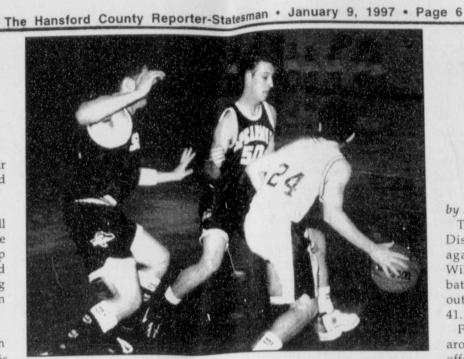
A youth revival for seventh grade through high school is slated at the First Baptist Church for Friday through Sunday, January 10-12. All junior high and high school students are invited.

Congratulations to June Barkley on the birth of grandson Trey Randall Sledge. Trey was born on December 16 and weighed 9 pounds and 8 ounces. His parents are Randy and Julie (Barkley) Sledge.

From the live and learn category, Alice Slough was recently assisting her 21-year old daughter Sharlet in making travel arrangements to Missouri for an interview at a medical school, Alice was surprised to learn that a minimum age of 25 and a credit card in the person's name are required to rent a car.

My parents, Mr. and Mrs. Duane Capps of Vernon, recently observed a car enroute to Wichita Falls with a Gruver Ford license plate holder. Since they feel as if they know everyone in Gruver after 25 years of visiting here and attending school functions, they sped up to greet the occupant with a wave. So in case Kacey Haenisch is curious, she now knows the identity of the big wavers in the speeding car.

Gruver schools have several new students registered for the spring semester. They include junior high student Reid Wilson from Georgetown and elementary students Jae'Lena Richardson, Charlotte Richardson, Juan Borunda, and Miquel Borunda all from Roswell; Eddie Villanueva from Stratford; Sandra and Marisol Ortiz from Boise City; and Lorenzo Mendoza from Mexico.



Frankie Dominguez and Michael Lusby work on defense during the Canadian tournament. The Lynx placed 1st in the tournament.

The Spearman Lynx hosted the Canadian Wildcats in a "wild" District 1-AA opener here Tuesday night. The Lynx struggled with the scrappy Wildcats for the entire game, not taking the lead until 6:22 remained on the clock in the final stanza. Fouls were the name of the game, both called and uncalled by the officials, as players had to be very physical and at times, it seemed as though the game was getting totally outof-hand. The Wildcats hit 21 of 23 free shots in te first three quarters of the game. They missed all eight they attempted in the final quarter. The Lynx, on the other hand, having 31 free shot attempts in the first three quarters, managed to only sink nine.

The Lynx fourth quarter charity attempts improved to 8 out of 15. Two technical fouls were assessed during the game, the first going to Coach Neff. Frustrated by the lack of calls and control of the game by the officials, Coach Neff protested a little too loudly. Once the foul was given to Coach Neff, the tempo of the game appeared to calm down somewhat. The lead changed hands several times in the waning minutes of the fourth quarter, until Albert Lusby, cousin of Spearman's Michael Lusby, got a technical foul for saying something to the referee. Blake Beedy had made an attempt to drive in for a lay-up and was fouled on the shot. It was after that foul that the technical foul was called. Blake went to the foul line to shoot, hitting one of his two shots. Blake then shot the first half of the technical foul, with the shot falling just short. Jake Howard then stepped up to attempt the final shot of the technical foul, hitting the basket and giving the lynx a 54-51 lead with 47.9 seconds left on te clock. After two more exchanges of the ball, the Lynx fouled, putting Caleb Farrar of Canadian on the charity line. He missed both shots, the Lynx rebounded the ball, and driving down the court, turned it over to the Wildcats. As the Wildcats brought the ball down court, appearing to have a clear shot from six feet out, the Canadian player literally threw the ball in the hands of the Lynx.

With 17.1 seconds remaining, the Lynx threw the ball away, giving Canadian another chance to pull the game closer. Another turnover gave the ball to Michael Lusby, who was quickly fouled. Going to the free shot line with 5.6 seconds remaining, Lusby sank the second of his two attempts, sinking with it any hopes the Wildcats might have had of a victory. The Lynx pulled out a hard-fought 55-51

win to improve their overall record to 13-2, 1-0 in District play. Dillon MIller finished the night with 20 points and Jake Howard added 13. Britt Savage put in 12, Jamie Townsen had 3, Eric Varnon and Blake Beedy each added 2 and Eric Cudd, Frankie Dominguez and Michael Lusby each had 1.

The Lynx will travel to Sunray Friday night to meet the Bobcats in their second district game of the season.

JV Lynx vs. Canadian

The Lynx JV played the Canadian JV on Tuesday, January 7 in Spearman. The Lynx came up short in the game by a score of 33-50. Scoring by the Lynx was as follows: Landon Miller - 12: Doran Schoenhals - 6; Clayton Wilkerson - 4: Aaron Witten - 4; Quentin Shieldknight - 2; Clancy Vanderburg - 2; Aaron Winegarner - 2; Jason Banks - 1.

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Josh Schumann - 6; Matt Davis - 5;

Lynx/Lynxette Basketball

by Linda Wilkerson

out victorious with a score of 56- dtermination to win.

offensive play. At the end of the 1st quarter the Lynxettes had only found the bucket for 4 points to the Lady Cats 7. The ladies put up good shots, but they just didn't find the hole. Second quarter outscored the Lynxettes 20- 8. at that time, everything seemed to 15. work for the Lady Cats from the field, the three pint line as well as the free throw line.

Second half was a very evenly matched ballgame as the Lynxettes totalled 27 points to their 29. The Lynxettes outscored

the Lady Cats 17-12 in the third The Lynxettes opened 1-2A quarter, but fell 10-17 in the furth. District play Tuesday night As in te past, the Lynxettes never against the Canadian Lady gave up. Even through they were Wildcats. After a hard fought down 12-17 at halftime, they battle, the Lady Wildcats came came back with tht drive and

High point was Keisha OQuin First quarter action revolved with 7 fields goals and 1 free around defense with very little throw for 15 points. Lindsey Smith was close behind with 6 field goals for 12 points. Other Lynxette scorers were Macy Shieldknight 5, Shayla Barber 4, Jennifer Neff 2, and Camille Smith, Kristin Beedy and Misha created an entirely different Davis for 1. The Lynxettes shot ballgame as the Lady Cats only 38% from the Freethrow line while the Lady Cats captured 9 of

The Lynxettes will travel to Sunray Friday night to continue district play against the Sunray Lady Bobcats. The Lynxettes have an overall record of 10-12 and are now 0-1 in district.



Lynxette Lindsey Smith sets up to pass against Canadian in the tournament held January 2-4. The Lynxettes took 2nd place in the tournament.

Darrell and Lori Messer and Darrell's visited sons grandmother in Hedley this past weekend. Darrell's father also joined in the get-together.

Get well wishes are extended to Israel Azarte and Dustin Red. Both young men had surgery over the Christmas holidays and are doing well.

1994 Gruver graduate, Santos Rivera, Jr., is featured in a Walmart commercial currently being shown on Amarillo television stations. Santos is a junior at West Texas A&M and is employed by Walmart of Canyon.

Stan Seagler's mother, Lois Seagler of Snyder, Texas, passed away December 22. Her funeral was December 24.

Sympathy is also extended to the family of Billy Kelly, Sr. Billy's sister was killed during a robbery in Houston recently.

Word has been received that former residents Pat and Pam Harris have adopted three children. Their new daughters Anna 9, Hope 7, and son Ty, 5, join the Harris family in Tajique, New Mexico.

Updating the news on the ill of the community, Ben Arthur is in Lubbock Methodist Hospital and would enjoy cards and news from Gruver residents.

Rosalee Cator has been dismissed from the hospital. Harold Boyd, who recently had

knee surgery, is able to be out and bout.

Mrs. Harley Alexander is recuperating in Hansford Manor following a bout with pneumonia and will be home soon.

Fave and Odis Blount were involved in a traffic accident which destroyed their car near Whitney, Texas. Faye suffered a broken wrist, but thankfully, both she and Odis were not seriously injured.

The fourth grade will be traveling to Amarillo on January 14 to attend the Amarillo Little Symphony.

A new writer is making his debut in the Reporter/Statesman this week. Tucker Henson, GHS Senior and honor student, will be writing the Lady Hound and Houndball basketball news. Look for his first report in this issue.

A fire damaged the home of Leon and Nell Bagwell Monday night. First reports indicate the kitchen of the home was badly damaged while the entire home sustained smoke damage.

The Gruver community was shocked and saddened by the passing of Kathy Stedje Monday evening. Kathy was one of the rare persons you meet in life who are as beautiful on the inside as they are on the outside. She was a unique blend of sweetness, kindness, and gentleness with a fun-loving spirit, a quick sense of humor, and a love of life. Sympathy is extended to the many who mourn her loss.

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8th Grade "A" Team vs. Canadian, Janaury 6

Spearman - 23--Canadian - 30 Dib Kirk - 6; Steven Vasquez - 5; Jimmy Gayton - 4; Clayton Vanderburger - 4; Timmy Bynum -2; Richard Varnon - 1; Ty West -

7th Grade "A" vs. Canadian, Janauary 6

Spearman - 42-- Canadian - 11 Jared Schufledt - 10; Tanner Beedy - 6; Bobby Lujan - 6; Homer Munoz - 5; Coy Herrington - 4; Edward Vaasquez - 4; Marty Miesner - 3; Miguel Ceballos - 2;

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING The Planning & Zoning Commission of the City of Gruver will hold a Public Hearing on Wednesday, January 8, 1997, at the Golden Age Center at 5:00 p.m. to consider the placement of mobile homes in the residential districts of the city

2(1-2-97)B

GISD ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS The Gruver Independent School District is accepting applications for

a clerk to work in the school business office. Applications for employment with the district may be obtained by contacting the Superintendent's Office at 600 Garrett or by calling (806) 733-2001. Applications will be accepted until the position is filled. 2(1-2-97)B

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Spearman ISD is currently accepting applications for a substitute custodian. Applications may be picked between the hours of 8 AM and 5 PM, Monday - Friday at

Spearman ISD School Menu

Breakfast Monday, January 13 Cereal, Toast or Biscuit, Sausage, Fruit or Fruit Juice; Milk Tuesday, January 14 Cereal, Toast, or Waffle Sticks, Fruit or Fruit Juice; Milk Wednesday, January 15 Cereal, Toast, or Scrambled Egg, Toast, Sausage, Fruit, or Fruit Juice; Milk Thursday, January 16 Cereal, Toast, or Breakfast Pizza, Fruit or Fruit Juice; Milk Friday, January 17 Cereal, Toast or Muffin, Fruit or Fruit Juice; Milk Lunch Monday, January 13 Sausage Pizza, Hamburger Basket, Chicken Fried Steak, Fritter Gravy; Side Items:

Whipped Potatoes, Sweet Peas, Bits: Milk

Pepperoni Pizza, Hamburger Basket, Meat & Cheese Nachos; Side Items: Pinto Beans, Lettuce, Tomato Salad, Spinach, Shredded Lettuce, Crackers, Grated Cheese, Croutons, Bacon Bits, Royal Brownies; Milk Wednesday, January 15

Tuesday, January 14

Sausage Pizza, Hamburger Basket, Pork Rib Barbecue on a Bun w/Barbecue Sauce; Side Items: Tator Tots, Shredded Lettuce, Baked Beans, Crackers, Grated Cheese, Croutons, Bacon

Bits, Pears; Milk Thursday, January 16 Pepperoni Pizza, Hamburger Basket, Grilled Cheese Sandwich; Side Items: Beef Stew, Shredded Lettuce, Crackers, Grated Cheese, Croutons, Bacon Bits, Peach Cobbler; Milk

Sausage Pizza, Hamburger Items: Combo Salad, Spaghetti w/Plain Sauce, Green Beans,

Monday, January 13 Cheese Toast, Toast, Juice; Milk Tuesday, January 14 Cereal, Toast, Juice; Milk Wednesday, January 15 Cinnamon Rolls, Toast, Juice; Milk Thursday, January 16 French Toast, Toast, Juice; Milk Friday, January 17 Biscuits, Gravy Juice; Milk Lunch Monday, January 13 (A) Tamale Pie or (B) Taco,

Tuesday, January 14 (A) Turkey ala King or (B) Beans, Fruit; Milk Wednesday, January 15 (A) Pizzaburger or (B) Beans, Fruit; Milk Thursday, January 16 (A) Sweet/Sour Pork or (B) Lasagna, Green Peas, Salad, Fruit, Bread; Milk Friday, January 17 (A) Pocket Sandwich or (B)

Public Notice

LEGAL NOTICE

Court will receive bids until 4:00 p.m.

on Friday, January 24, 1997 on the

replacement of the electrical

distribution center for the

Courthouse. Bids will be opened on

Monday, January 27, 1997 at the

meeting, beginning at 10:00 a.m.

accept or reject any or all bids.

Judge

regular Commissioner's Court

The Court reserves the right to

Jim D. Brown Hansford County

3(1-9-97)B

NOTICE TO ALL PERSONS

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THE ESTATE OF A.R. BORT

Notice is hereby given that original

Letters Testamentary for the Estate

of A.R. BORT were issued on

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Submerge to a minimum depth

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the administrative offices located at 403 East 11th. The Spearman ISD is an equal opportunity employer. 2(1-9-97)B

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Spearman ISD is currently accepting proposals for the purchase of a school van. Please contact Troy Vanderburg at (806) 659-3233 for a list of specifications. 2(1-9-97)B

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Spearman ISD is currently accepting proposals for the acquisition of two copiers and one high speed duplicator. Contact Troy Vanderburg at (806) 659-3233 for a list of specifications 2(1-9-97)B

Lifeguard Training Course

by Michelle Slaughter, Health and Safety Director

The American Red Cross will be conducting a Lifeguard Training course at the Perryton and Vicinity Activity Center on January 17, (6-10 p.m.) January 18, (8 a.m. - 5 p.m.) January 19, (1-5 p.m.). Other dates are January 24, 25 and 26, with times to be

The purpose of this course is to

Prerequisites are:

before class ends.

Tread water for 2 minutes using

Concerned January 14th 7:00 p.m.

2177, pending in the County Court of Hansford County, Texas, to Barbara Jean Cluck, Bx 642, Gruver, Texas 79040 and and to Peggy Lou Jones, 862 Chiltern Road, Hillsborough California 94010. All persons having claims against this estate, which is currently being administered, are required to present them within the time and in the manner prescribed by DATED the 17th day of December,

1996

John L. Hutchison Attorney for the Estate 3(1-9-97)B

JOB OPENING

The City of Spearman is accepting applications for an Assistant to the City Manager. This position is responsible for coordinating assigned departments, proposing methods to improve work processes or performance standards, coordinating collection and preparation of operating reports, researching information and preparing reports to state and federal regulatory agencies. Position requires a Bachelor's Degree in Business, Public Administration or equivalent and one year related experience and/or training. Completion of coursework for a Master of Public Administration Degree may be substituted for one year of related experience.

Salary is negotiable depending on education and experience; current salary is \$25,500 plus \$250 per month car allowance. The City has an excellent fringe benefit program which includes retirement, group hospitalization insurance, vacation, holidays, and sick leave

Applications may be picked up at 30 SW Court, Spearman, Texas or resumes may be mailed to: City Hall, P.O. Box 37, Spearman, Texas 79081 until position is filled. The City of Spearman is an EOE.

NOTE: The City will hire either an Assistant to the City Manager or a Public Works Director, but not both. 1(1-9-97)B

JOB OPENING

The City of Spearman is accepting applications for a Public Works Director. This position is responsible for coordinating the Utilities, Sanitation and Parks/Streets Departments; researching and preparing to state and federal regulatory agencies, purchasing items for the Public Works Department, and public relations. Position requires a Bachelor's Degree in a public works related field and prior experience in water, wastewater, sanitation, parks or streets maintenance.

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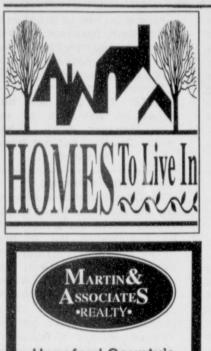
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NEW LISTING -704 Dressen-Large 4 BR, 2 B, X-large family room, storm shelter, corner lot. Lots of space, large rooms. Let's

NEW GRUVER LISTING - 207 Richardson - 3BR,1 3/4B, storage building, 1 car garage, large family/game room. Priced to

210 Bernice -3 BR, 1B, centra neat/air, w/basement, extra large 2383. fenced-in, closed yard. Owner vants to talk business. 515 Evans - 2,000 sq. ft. 3BR, 2B single car garage, central heat,

HOMES FOR SALE

FOR SALE: 3 bedroom, 2 baths, central heat and air, recently remodeled kitchen, covered patio, attached garage, good location. Priced to sell. 1008 S. Barkley. Call 659-2541 days or 659-3847 nights. TFN(1-9-97)B

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FOR SALE: 2 BR, 2 B Mobile home w/or without lot. 214 Archer. 659-2288 or 659-2383.

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TFN(12-12-96)B

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2(1-9-97)P

FOR SALE: 4 bedroom, 2 bath home. Office, fireplace, basement, 2 car garage. Would consider trading for a smaller house. See at 1102



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FOR RENT: Trailer partly furnished, car port, \$260.00 a month, plus \$100.00 deposit and you pay utilities. No pets. 208 S. Hazelwood. Call 659-2177 or come by 115 S. Hazelwood. 2(1-9-97)B

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FOR SALE

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CAPROCK Feedyard #2 has milk production position available, previous milk experience or heavy equipment experience preferred. Good career opportunity and excellent benefits. Contact Lonnie Busch or Tom Fanning at Caprock #2 (806)733-5025. 4(1-9-97)B

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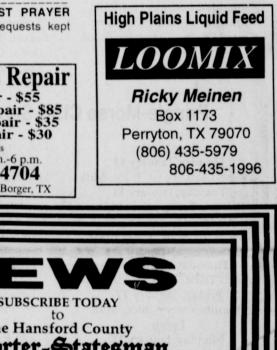
REWARD: Lost dog - black border collie with white feet, and a little white on his head - answers to Chip. \$100 reward. Call 659-3807. Was lost in 1000 block of Dressen.

LOST DOG: Black & white dog, black head wearing a long chain. He comes by the name Scruffy. Call 659-3171.

REWARD: \$1000 reward for information leading to the arrest of the person or persons responsible for the killing of a red Border Collie dog on January 3, 1997 between 6:30 a.m. and 9:00 a.m. Call 659-3273.

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