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Local Woman Bitten By Rattlesnake

by Dorothy Hudson

Sunday evening, June 7, 2009, Christi Hart, who lives with her husband Jerry Hart and family on a farm almost equal distance from Morse, Spearman, and Gruver, made a decision that caused a life-threatening event for her.

Jerry decided to go to a nearby field just off of highway 520 where they live, to check some moisture-stressed wheat. Christi, curious about the wheat, decided to ride along. When they reached the field, she had to cross a weedy patch to exam the wheat. As she stepped over the spot, a rattlesnake struck her leg twice in quick succession as it rattled.

The bites were between the ankle and calf, and they began to bleed. Jerry helped her get back in the pickup as they made their plans. While Jerry drove, Christi was glad she had her cell phone. She called 911 to alert the hospital that she was coming in with rattlesnake bites.

The procedures to deal with snake venom have been changing. No more do we cut an X over the bite and try to suck out the venom. Nor is ice applied. A tourniquet is not tightened above the bite. The best thing to do is to get to a hospital setting where the antivenom can be started with as little movement of the affected part as possible.

The antivenom comes in little vials and is much improved over the earlier kind. It is given by I. V.s and as many as 30 of the vials may be used.

Despite doing the right thing, the bites were extremely painful, and her leg became very swollen. Christi will stay in the hospital a few days for the swelling to go down. The recuperation period is around 30 days.



How To Prevent and Treat Snake Bites

By Rod Brouhard, About.com

Snake bites can be deadly. It's important to react quickly to bites. If emergency medical services can be reached, request help through 911. If in a remote area, getting the victim to medical care is vital.

North America is home to several different species of venomous snakes. The most common is the rattlesnake. Antivenin is available, but it must be used as early as possible.

1. Safety first! Get away from the snake. That's probably why it bit in the first place. Follow universal precautions and wear personal protective equipment if you have it.

2. Call 911 immediately! Waiting until the pain may lead to permanent tissue damage. Remember that calling 911 on a cell phone is different than a regular phone.

3. Do not elevate. Keep the bite below the level of the heart.

4. Wash the area with warm water and soap.

5. Remove constricting clothing and jewelry from the extremity. The area may swell and constricting items will cause tissue death.

6. If the snake is an elapid species (coral snakes and cobras), wrap the extremity with an elastic pressure bandage. Start from the point closest to the heart and wrap towards the fingers or toes. Continue to keep the bite lower than the heart.

7. Follow the basics of first aid while waiting for responders to arrive. Be especially concerned about the potential for shock.

Tips:

1. NO CUTTING & SUCKING! Those snake bite kits from the drug store don't work. Cutting into the wound will just create infections.

2. An ounce of prevention is worth a ton of first aid:

- * Wear long pants and boots taller than the ankle.
- * Avoid tall brush and deep, dark crevices.
- * Make plenty of noise and vibration while walking.
- * Do not approach snakes, avoid them.
- * Do not expect rattlesnakes to make any noises.

3. If the snake is dead, bringing it to the hospital is appropriate. Be careful, dead snakes can reflexively bite for up to an hour.

4. In today's digital world, pictures are easy to get. A quick picture of the snake - even with a cell phone - will help medical crews identify the animal. Rattlesnakes are pit vipers, identified by dents in the side of their heads that look like ears. Coral snakes are small with bands of red bordered by pale yellow or white. Cobras have hoods that spread behind their heads.

5. It's not that important to identify the snake; medical crews in areas prone to snake bites can often identify the animal just from the wound. Pit vipers have two fangs and the bite often has two small holes (see illustration). Coral snakes have small mouths full of teeth with rows of small puncture wounds.



Miss Hansford Named



Marisol Hernandez was crowned 2009 Miss Hansford on Tuesday, June 9, 2009 during the Miss Hansford Scholarship Pageant. Marisol is the 18-year-old daughter of Isabel and Maria Hernandez. She will be a freshman at Amarillo College in the fall of 2009. She has two sisters, Brenda Holguin and Genesis Hernandez, and two brothers, Jose and Hugo.

Whitney Maestas was named the First Runner-Up, and the Second Runner-Up was Lynn Vela. Gabby DaVila was named Miss Congeniality, an honor which is voted on by the Miss Hansford participants.

Contestants vying for Miss Hansford were: Courtney Baca, daughter of Joey and Julie Etchison; Delores De-LaRosa, daughter of John De-LaRosa and Mary Robledo; Lynn Vela, daughter of Ted and Mary Vela; Gabby DaVila, daughter of Pedro DaVila and Maria Robledo; Whitney Maestas, daughter of Art and Teresa Maestas; Marisol Hernandez, daughter of Isabel and Maria Hernandez; and Julie Diaz, daughter of Hector and Julieta Diaz.

The Miss Hansford Teen Contest had four contestants. They were: Brianne Mitchell, daughter of Shane and April Goodson; Jacque Mayfield, daughter of Dee and Sheila Mayfield; Janneth Terrazas, daughter of Jorge and Guadalupe Terrazas; and Allison Brown, daughter of Benny and Carla Puentes and Mark and Jamie Brown.

The 2009 Miss Teen was Allison Brown, and Brianne Mitchell was named First Runner-Up.

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ABOVE LEFT: (Clockwise from top left) Preteen Miss Hansford Vanessa Vela, Miss Hansford Marisol Hernandez, Teen Miss Hansford Allison Brown, Little Miss Hansford Serenati Massey, and Junior Miss Hansford Kaycee Anderson.

LEFT: (Back Row, L-R) Miss Congeniality Gabby DaVila, Miss Hansford 1st Runner-Up Whitney Maestas, Miss Hansford 2nd Runner-Up Lynn Vela; (Middle Row, L-R) Teen Miss Hansford Runner-Up Brianne Mitchell, preteen Miss Hansford Runner-Up Callie Yarbrough; (Front Row, L-R) Little Miss Hansford Runner-Up Sydney Silva, Junior Miss Hansford Runner-Up K.D. McCloy.

Weather Forecast

TONIGHT - Mostly cloudy with a 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Lows in the mid 50s. Southwest winds around 10 mph shifting to the northwest after midnight.

THURSDAY - Partly cloudy. Highs in the mid 80s. Light and variable winds becoming south around 10 mph in the afternoon.

THURSDAY NIGHT - Partly cloudy with a 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Lows in the upper 50s. Southeast winds around 10 mph shifting to the north after midnight.

FRIDAY - Partly cloudy. Highs in the mid 80s. North winds 10 to 15 mph.

FRIDAY NIGHT - Partly cloudy with a 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Lows around 60. East winds 10 to 15 mph.

SATURDAY - Partly cloudy. Highs in the upper 80s.

SATURDAY NIGHT - Partly cloudy with a 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Lows around 60.

SUNDAY - Partly cloudy. Highs around 90.

SUNDAY NIGHT - Partly cloudy with a 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Lows in the lower 60s.

Texas Crop & Weather

The following specific livestock, crop and weather conditions were reported by Panhandle Extension directors: The region looked better thanks to thunderstorms, but more moisture was needed. Hail was reported in a few areas. Wheat varied from fair to excellent, but yields were expected to be down significantly because of drought and late freezes. Corn was off to a good start thanks to the rain. Cotton needed more heat units for good growth. Cattle were in fair to good condition.

Heritage Days At Palo Duro Lake

June 13th • 10 a.m.-Dark

Spearman Boy Scouts will serve Hamburgers, Hot Dogs & Cobbler from 11 a.m.-1 p.m.

Hamburger Plate - \$7; Hot Dog Plate - \$4
Dutch Oven Cobbler - \$2

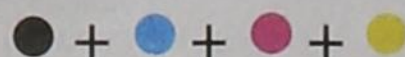
Advance tickets are available from Britt Jarvis (659-2554), or any Boy Scout

Everyone is invited to the lake to enjoy a day of fun and fellowship!

Bring your lawn chairs, games, fishing poles, etc.

Call the Chamber of Commerce for more information (659-5555)
Kurt Adams memorial Motorcycle Run will end at the lake.

Come Enjoy The Day!
June 13th
Palo Duro Lake



Wolf Creek Heritage Museum Notes

MUSEUM HAPPENINGS

Well, we have had a busy week. My computer is still in the shop, so I am still half a brain. If I forget to mention something, please forgive.

Our Dinner at the Dugout was wonderful! We had close to 70 people attend in addition to all the volunteers and the wonderful band.

Our cooks for the evening were Una Babitzke, the head chef, with helpers Jack Brown, Tom Freeman, Guerry Wright, Vernon Schoenhals, Vernor Bell, Dolores Bell and Hugh, and Anna Lee Barton. Dorothy Schoenhals, Ann Wright, Georgia Couch, Dolores Freeman cooked cornbread, brought supplies, waited tables, etc. The men also set up barrel tables. They worked all afternoon cooking and setting up for the event. Ed Scott and Jonathan Crawford loaded the museum tables, drinks, ice, ice cream, plates, cups, etc. and unloaded them and reloaded them at the end of the event and unloaded them again at the museum. A great big THANKS TO ALL WHO HELPED US! (I am sure I have forgotten someone who assisted us. If I have, call me and I will name you next week.

A special thanks to Verle and Sandy Woods who shared

their beautiful homestead with us all for an evening of history, beautiful scenery, and wonderful music.

Many thanks to the wonderful musicians and singers in the band "The Outlaws" (named by the activity director at the Booker nursing home). The members of the band are James Robertson, fiddle; Robin Hood, fiddle; Norvie Fitz, bones; Dale Jenkins, guitar and mandolin; Inez Deal, keyboard; John Martinez, bass; Manuel Martinez, vocals; Bonnie Huber, vocals; and Linda Robertson, vocals; We appreciate you donating your time and talent to make our evening complete.

The evening began with a dinner of campfire stew, cornbread and biscuits, and ended with Dutch oven cobbler and ice cream. Sandy and Verle escorted everyone through the dugout explaining the Woods' history. (If you haven't read the wonderful article in the paper, you should!)

While we sat and listened to the music and Verle tell stories, Verle's two horses and goat came out on the hill for us to enjoy against the evening sunset. It doesn't get any better.

HISTORICAL MUSINGS

We received the following story this week from Charles

Broyles about his Dad's Uncle Minter Broyles who settled near Follet in a dugout.

Charles remembers the stories of living in the dugout told to him as a child. He recalls that they kept an oil cloth on the table and when it rained, they put the children under the table to keep them dry.

He also remembers the time his uncle told about going into Higgins during the winter to get supplies. He relates "While there it had started to rain a very cold rain as a blue northern was coming in, so he packed quickly to make sure he got over Wolf Creek before it rose so high they couldn't pass. On the way home, the rain turned to freezing rain and I remember asking him how in the world he could stand that. His reply was 'ell, once your clothes froze it wasn't so bad. That's what blocked the wind!'"

Thanks, Charles for a wonderful story.

I end this week's column with a good bye to Jim Buzzard, a wonderful man and a great museum docent. Jim loved walking across the highway to keep the museum open on Sunday and again on Monday to report on his visitors and to collect his penny a mile for his travel. The museum staff will miss Jim and the support he gave us. He has left us a legacy of stories and a love for Lipscomb County we will not soon forget.

State Capital



HIGHLIGHTS

AUSTIN — Lawmakers left Sunset bills and other major issues unresolved in the closing days of the 81st Texas legislative session that ended on June 1.

The Legislature, through the Sunset process, may tweak, overhaul or dispose of entire state agencies. Left undecided were the fates of the Texas Department of Transportation, the Texas Department of Insurance, the Texas Racing Commission and the Texas State Affordable Housing Corporation. Also left unresolved was the bill to expand the Children's Health Insurance Program to more Texas families.

But Gov. Rick Perry dismissed suggestions that the Legislature's failure to pass such major bills would force him to call lawmakers back to Austin for a special session this summer.

Perry lauded the Legislature for certain bills they did pass, namely the Texas Windstorm Insurance Association bill, legislation that provides coverage in hurricane-related disasters. Perry also cheered the cutting of the profit margin tax on small businesses.

The House and Senate did manage to pass 128 substantive bills that became law immediately when the governor signed them. On Sept. 1, 133 more bills will become law. And, on Jan. 1, 2010, five more bills will be on the books as new laws. The governor has until June 21 to exercise his veto power.

Now, here are a few random samples of new state laws:

- HB 205 by Rep. Jimmie Don Aycock, R-Killeen, makes municipal leash laws not apply to a dog used to protect livestock on property controlled by a property owner while the dog is being used on such property for that purpose.

- HB 328 by Rep. Joe Heflin, D-Crosbyton, eliminates the inspector of hides and animals, a county-level office created in 1871 to aid in the prevention of cattle theft by a thorough inspection of hides and animals shipped out of a county for sale.

- HB 375 by Rep. Sid Miller, R-Stephenville, reclassifies farm elk and elk hybrids as livestock under the Agriculture Code.

- HB 772 by Rep. Donna Howard, D-Austin, requires the Texas Education Agency to provide a live audio and video webcast of all State Board of Education meetings and to maintain a publicly accessible archive of webcast meetings.

- SB 37 by Sen. Judith Zaf-

LAWMAKERS LEAVE

PLENTY ON TABLE,

BUT NO SIGNAL OF

SPECIAL SESSION



by Ed Sterling

firini, D-Laredo, grants eligibility to a child for services under the deaf-blind with multiple disabilities waiver program at the time of the child's diagnosis. The bill ensures the receipt of services that enhance the child's ability to communicate and learn.

- SB 83 by Sen. Jane Nelson, R-Grapevine, authorizes a victim of, or a parent or guardian of a victim of a sexual assault, aggravated sexual assault or continuous sexual abuse of a child, to terminate a lease early and avoid liability, if the assault took place at the leased property.

- SB 1291 by Sen. Leticia Van de Putte, D-San Antonio, removes provisions in the Insurance Code authorizing a health insurance policy to require that services of a licensed professional counselor or a marriage and family therapist be recommended by a physician.

- SB 2225 by Sen. John Carona, R-Dallas, amends current law relating to the civil and criminal consequences of engaging in certain conduct involving the transporting or transferring of a firearm and making firearm smuggling a criminal offense.

House members pledge for Straus

In the days after sine die

adjournment of the Legislature, evidence of team-building in the House emerged. Some 106 House members signed pledge cards in support of a second term as speaker for Rep. Joe Straus, R-San Antonio.

Straus's first and current term as speaker extends until the 82nd Legislature convenes in 2011. Many Democrats signed cards, even with the possibility that their party could gain control of the House by picking up a couple of seats in the November 2010 election.

On June 5, Straus released the list of pledges, saying broad bipartisan support for him is "a clear indication that members of both parties can set aside their differences to work together to find solutions to critical issues facing our state."

AG charges tax protest business

Texas Attorney General Greg Abbott charged Houston-based O'Connor & Associates with violating the Texas Deceptive Trade Practices Act, and other law, for filing tax protests without taxpayers' consent, failing to appear at clients' tax protest hearings and submitting fraudulent notarized documents.



Senate Approves Final Budget Proposal May 28, 2009

Senators voted unanimously in favor of the final version of the budget Thursday, ending that chamber's work on appropriations for the 2010-2011 biennium. The final proposal would allocate about the same amount as the version approved by the Senate earlier in the month. It would spend about \$81 billion in state funds, and \$183 billion in all funds, including \$12.1 billion from the federal stimulus act. "Members, this budget is balanced," said Finance Committee Chair Steve Ogden, who lead Senate negotiations with the House to craft a final budget proposal.

Health and human services spending for the next biennium would increase 10 percent. This includes funding to improve the Texas' state schools, under fire from the Department of Justice and identified as an emergency issue by the governor at the beginning of the session. "We've made a historical commitment to assisting our citizens with intellectual disabilities," said Ogden. "It is significant that we are going,

in this budget, to provide the funding necessary to reform our state schools and create many new alternatives, thousands of alternatives, for these most deserving citizens to receive the help and the treatment they need outside of an institutional setting."

Other winners in this session's budget include higher education, with a 7 percent increase in spending, cancer research, which would get \$450 million in new funds, and correctional officers, who would get a 7 percent pay raise over the next two years. The approved budget also allocates \$17 billion for the Texas Department of Transportation, with \$6 billion of that going for new road construction.

Once House members approve the final budget proposal, it will go to the governor's desk.

Regular Session Ends, but Special Session Looms June 1, 2009

Legislators gaveled out on the 81st Regular Session Monday, but certain important issues left on the table could bring them back before the next session in 2011.

Lawmakers passed several important measures in the waning days of the session. They sent to the governor a new school accountability measure, one that emphasizes college readiness, and a new school finance plan that would add nearly \$2 billion to funds and allow for an \$800 teacher pay raise. The Senate and House both approved a change to the franchise tax that would exempt businesses that make less than \$1 million and another bill to fix the state's beleaguered windstorm insurance program. But it's what they didn't pass that has some Senators asking the Governor to call them back. "Now it's up to the governor to call us in to a short special session to address two issues: that would be the general obligation bonds at TxDOT and the other issue is the sunset schedule," said Senator Tommy Williams of the Woodlands. "And if he'll do that we can get in and get our work done."

Legislation that would have preserved the Texas Department of Transportation and Texas Department of Insurance died in the House during the parliamentary stalling that took place in the final days of the session. The Senate later approved a "safety net" bill, one that would continue TxDOT and TDI for four more years, but the House couldn't push that measure through. Monday,

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SUMMER FUN

ACROSS

- Heart of Inca empire
- Drink it iced in the heat
- Increase
- U.S. ___ golf major
- *What summer's days do for kids with no plans
- Frequently
- Organ of photosynthesis
- Comfort
- "Dressed to the ___"
- *Often sold roadside
- Hurry up
- Large passenger ship
- National Institutes of Health
- *Growing place
- Percussion instrument played with small mallets
- "___ Whitney," invented the cotton gin
- Move sideways or in unsteady way
- Standard
- "Don't ___ words!"
- Generous with its money
- "Let's ___ to disagree"
- ___ Verde National Park

DOWN

- "Little Women" novelist
- Pick up, as in suspect
- Nemo's home plant
- *Cool cruise destination
- Cherry middle
- Eskimo boat
- *It's in need of protection
- *The hotter it is, the faster it goes
- Reeked
- Half-way around the world from US
- Known for its notebooks
- Messages between computers to make sure they're working
- American composer of popular music (1885-1945)
- Bring together
- Paul is to Simon as this is to Garfunkel
- "No thank you. I already ___"
- Margarine
- It's often conducted by Gallup
- D'Artagnan's sword
- Quantity of paper
- Lay out, as in a map
- *What kids do with baseball cards
- One who relieves
- ___ of Aquarius

ACROSS

- Sicilian volcano
- "___ trying!"
- Half the width of em in printing
- ___ Favre
- Currently broad-casting
- *It's easy to get hooked doing this
- Sister's daughter
- Indian bread
- Fashion designer Kahng
- Sigourney
- Weaver's box-office hit
- Shampoo, ___, repeat
- Office document
- Between dawn and noon, pl.
- *No school
- Single-cell protozoan
- Rattling
- More of the same
- *Roughing it
- *Road-tripping guide
- *Don't let him ruin your picnic
- Australian venomous snake
- Pig sounds
- With hands on hips and elbows out
- Cinderella's win
- Silk-patterned fabric
- Evoke emotion
- 18th century Ger-

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Happy Birthday!

June 11
Birthday - Mickey Delano, Aimee Tunnel, Chad Johnson, Bob Burke, Charlotte Sheets, Maureen Garner, Effie Sutton, Mrs. Jessie Bratton, Toby Walker, Linda Heffley, Sam Pierson, Rhonda Bynum

Anniversary - Thane & Sue McCloy, M/M Charles Eaton, M/M Larry Murphy
June 12
Birthday - Curt Fitzgerald, Cara Hathaway, Bob Meek, Juan Avila, Marva Hohertz, Lonita Greene, Dana Bruce, Lorene Halgin, David Lewis Juanita Martinez, Heath Meler, Ruth Crawford, Alek Meyer, Steve Myatt, Amber Weller, Sunshine (Smith) Davis, Skip Lesly
Anniversary - Robert & Belinda Rogers, M/M Bob Burgoon, M/M Bert Sheppard, Darrell & Delphia Duke, Gary & Dara Faries

June 13
Birthday - Julie Dahl, Marie Finley, Anselmo Trejo, Wynell Hager, James Tindell, Mika Gurnfor, Brenda Wall, Ross Walker, Sherri Correll, Christina Marie Ochoa, Austin Cook
Anniversary - M/M Verdon Edens, M/M Keith Goodman, Robert & Jamie Renteria

June 14
Birthday - Shelly Dunning, Jovita Ochoa, Keith Hutton, John Trindle, Ron Dunaway, Eva McCammond, John Delarosa, Jerry Hart, Teresa Weldon, Salee Flowers, Sally Thomas, Jeremy Sutterfield, Caleb Odegaard
Anniversary - M/M Neal Williams, M/M Cap Benson, M/M Paul Reimer, M/M Joe Garcia

June 15
Birthday - Glen Harris, E.A. Williams, Beth Yanke, Everette Tracy, Tony Berrera, Gina Gillispie, Frank Salgado, Candice Pipkin, Jeff Fox, Devin Wells
Anniversary - M/M Bob Rylant

June 16
Birthday - Timber Lewis, Laci Osborne, Tisha Ralston, Davin Winger, Jo Lynn Griffin, Jodie Overton, Michael Wayne Owens, Chris Roach, Randy Brogdon, Odell Genn, Suzanne Gillispie, Ida Mendoza, Ivy Kincaid Bravo
Anniversary - Bobby & Dixie Smith

June 17
Birthday - Sara Jones, Jill Odom, Iris Wood, Valerie McLain, Manuel

Nunez, Roy Lee McClellan, Janna Harris, Ann Rook, Lee Schubert, Rex Burgess, Dallas Burgess, Elvia Huerta

June 18
Birthday - Ada Joyce Stedje, Doug Lackey, Phil Windom, Jimmy Jackson, Doug Cummings, Susan Pearson, George Martin, Christopher Cummings, Eddie LaFarr, Amy Boyd, Lenis Simpson, Roberta Cole, Chuck Newcomb, Emily Bates
Anniversary - Hershel & Wanda Jones, M/M Leon Red, Don & Faye Schmehr

June 19
Birthday - John Williams, Alan Beeson, Christina West, Jan Hunter, Phyllis Smith, Nathan Steger, Randy Coombs, Stanley Gruver, Marlene Miller
Anniversary - M/M Barry Barkley

June 20
Birthday - Mica Been, Pat Irwin, Neal Williams, Terry Patterson, Pete Vera, Brady Chase Brown, Skyler Jordan, Christen Grimsley, Ermal Pond

June 21
Birthday - Lynn Boyd, Rod Karlin, April Hall, Patrick Meek, Harry Stumpf, Rosa Baker, Rhonda Valdez, Steve Slater, Josh Kunsleman, Robert Breendon, Christi Black, Linda Town, Anita Sumner, Clint Lilly, Cody Mike Ivey, Amanda Thompson, Britani Vasquez, Clayton Acker, Jennifer Nollner
Anniversary - M/M Jim Kuykendall

June 22
Birthday - Tim Tunnell, Melissa Stewart, Ricky Jones, Benny Puentes Jr., Paul Lopez Jr., Tom Haden Hart, Presley Baker
Anniversary - M/M Stanley Gruver, M/M Norman Brack

June 23
Birthday - Myriam Alvarez, Robert Blevins, Rob Murrell, Brad Spivey, Andres Benavides, Joan Brown, Shannon Groves, Kali Shields, Amanda Apodaca
Anniversary - M/M Mitch Fedrick, M/M T.J. Been, M/M Mike McLain

June 24
Birthday - Patricia Miner, Ellen Graham, Denise Holliday, Allen Davis, Lee Bob Harper, C.T. Collier, Ed West, Margie Davis, David Pipkin, Nathan Kirk, Patricia Miner
Anniversary - Mary & Julio Vasquez, M/M Bobbie Archer

Our Sympathy

RALPH HERALD McCUNE

SPEARMAN - Ralph Herald McCune, 96, died on Monday, June 8, 2009 at Hansford Manor.

Funeral services will be held on Friday, June 12, 2009 at 10:30 a.m. at Midway Church in Beaver County, OK with Rev. Harrol Waterbury and Jerry Howard officiating. Interment will be at Mountain View Cemetery in Logan, OK by Boxwell Brothers Funeral Home of Spearman.

Ralph was born in Beaver County, OK on April 18, 1913. He married Marjorie Howard in 1941. She preceded him in death in 2008.

Ralph was a dedicated farmer and rancher his whole life and began working the land with his Dad at the age of nine. He helped his father and brother raise some of the first wheat crops in Beaver County. Ralph's roots run deep in Beaver County. In fact, he lived within a three mile radius of his birthplace until 2008 when health reasons made him and Marjorie move to Spearman, TX. The number of time she has left his farm could probably be counted on two hands. As far as Ralph was concerned, the grass was never greener than in his own pasture.

Ralph has always been there to support his family, friends and community. He served on the Garrett School Board for over twenty years and was on the Beaver County Election Board for over thirty years.

Ralph was a faithful man and he believed that honesty was the most important virtue a man could possess. He came from the era that a handshake and his word was a bond not to be broken. He truly was a devoted husband, father and grandfather. Although he may be gone, we will have wonderful memories never to be forgotten.

Survivors include two daughters and their husbands, Bonita and Phil Scott of Bayfield, CO and Claudine and Bob Hardy of Spearman; two grandsons, Allen and Leslie Gardiner of Frisco, TX and Chad and Tara Gardiner of Frisco, TX; and a granddaughter, Allen and Leslie Hunzeker of McKinney, TX; and five great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Claude and Nettie McCune; his wife of 67 years; a brother, Raymond McCune; and two sisters, Jeruscha Palmer and DeAlva Clark.

The family requests memorials be to Hansford Hospice, 707 S. Roland, Spearman TX 79081.

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EDNA A. BASSEL

SPEARMAN - Edna A. Bassel, 93, died on Monday, June 8, 2009 at Hansford Manor.

Graveside services were held on Wednesday, June 10, 2009 at 11 a.m. at Hansford Cemetery with Burl Buchanan officiating. Interment was under the direction of Boxwell Brothers Funeral Home of Spearman, TX.

Edna was born in Hansford, TX on November 15, 1915. She married J.D. Bassel, who preceded her in death in 1988.

Edna graduated from Spearman High School and Scott and White Hospital School of Nurses. She was an operating room nurse and a member of the American Red Cross Nurses. She joined the Army as a nurse in San Antonio. She served as a First Lieutenant in the 91st Evacuation Hospital over seas in WWII. Later she was a real estate broker.

As a member of the First Baptist Church in Brenham, she served as church librarian for many years. She was a member of the Jabez Deming Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution. She was a member of the Trinity Baptist Church in Amarillo where she lived with her sister from 1988-2006. She supported the First United Methodist Church since moving to Spearman.

Survivors include a sister, Louise Vaught of Amarillo, TX; caregivers, her nephew and his wife Burl and Nellie Buchanan of Spearman; and many nephews and nieces.

She was preceded in death by her husband; daughter Anita Bassel in 1955; four brothers, J.B. Buchanan, Paul Buchanan, Monroe Buchanan and J.W. "Buck" Buchanan; four sisters, Virginia Cates, Helen Fisher, Lucille Allen and Ruth Tipton.

The family requests memorials be to the Southwestern Pioneer Windmill Association, PO Box 805, Spearman TX 79081 or Hansford Cemetery Association, 707 E. 2nd, Spearman TX 79081.

DEAN L. CHURCH

Dean L. Church, 86, of Amarillo died Sunday, June 7, 2009.

Services will be at 11 a.m. Tuesday in United Methodist Church of Vega with Jim Watkins officiating. Burial will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday in Laurel Land Cemetery in Fort Worth. Arrangements are by Griggs-Schooler-Gordon Funeral Directors Pioneer Chapel, 5400 S. Bell St.

Mr. Church was born Sept. 17, 1922, in Carmen, Okla., and raised in Spearman. He married Mary Morris in 1949 in Fort Worth. She preceded him in death in 2003.

Mr. Church was in the U.S. Navy and served in World War II and the Korean conflict. He and Mary moved to San Antonio in 1953, where he worked for Kelly Air Force Base as an air plane mechanic.

They moved to Vega in 1964, where he farmed until 2006. He attended United Methodist Church of Vega and was a member of American Legion of Vega.

He also was preceded in death by a brother, Max Church. Survivors include a daughter, Ellen Church of Fort Worth; three nephews, David Rankin, Gary Zimmer and Mike Adams; and four nieces, Pat Johnson, Tamara Adams, Linda Rankin and Jana Zimmer.

The family suggests memorials be to Alzheimer's Association 322 Eighth Ave., seventh floor, New York, NY 10001. Leave online condolences at www.mem.com

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 Micah 6:8

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Medical Fund for Nancy DeLuna Jernberg
A medical fund has been established for Nancy DeLuna Jernberg of Stinnett. Nancy was diagnosed with a rare malignant brain tumor and will be undergoing treatment. If you would like to make a contribution you may make a deposit with any teller or mail a donation to H&H Federal Credit Union, 104 Main Street, Stinnett TX 79083.

Rushing Wind Emmaus Community
Rushing Wind Emmaus Community will meet on Saturday, June 13, at the Waka Christian Center. A potluck meal will be served at 6 p.m. followed by training for sponsors and a praise and worship service. Family and friends are welcome and a nursery will be provided for the children.

Stationmasters House Museum Quilt Show
The Stationmasters House Museum is sponsoring a Quilt Show on Friday, June 13th from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Melissa Nickeff from Fritch will be the featured speaker (at 2:00 p.m.). Helen Neal from Amarillo will have her quilt display that tells about the messages for the underground railroad. This will be held in the Museum Annex Building located at 2nd Ave. and Archer. Anyone wishing to display their quilts may bring them to the Museum (30 Townsend St.) on Friday June 12th from 10 a.m.-12 noon or the Annex Building (2nd and Archer St.) on Saturday morning the 13th. For more information, call Doris at the Museum (806-659-3008), Tuesday thru Saturday.

Canyon High School Reunion
The Class of 1974 of Canyon High School is gathering for a reunion in Canyon and Amarillo the last weekend in June. All CHS graduates from the classes of 1972-1976 are invited to join in the festivities. Preliminary plans include a cook-out at Conner Park in Canyon on Friday night, June 26th; tour of the new high school on Saturday afternoon, June 27th; and a big party at the Big Texan in Amarillo the night of the 27th. Make plans to attend now. Current details can be found on Facebook (Canyon High School - Class of '74 Reunion), or by contacting Brenda Brooks at 806-351-0432.

Golden Spread Center Radio Auction Planned
The O'Loughlin Center will be hosting the Golden Spread Center's annual KXDJ-RM Radio Auction on August 22, 2009. Donations of handmade items, goods, services, good furniture, cars, boats, golf carts, etc. are greatly appreciated. Funds will benefit the Golden Spread Center. To make your charitable donation, call Jada Breeden at 806-659-3030.

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

Take Off Pounds Sensibly Meets
Take Off Pounds Sensibly (TOPS) meets on Tuesday morning at 8:30 a.m. at the First Christian Church in Gruver. Anyone interested is invited to attend. For more info, contact Marilyn Been at 806-733-2087.

IRS won't e-mail you about your refund
If you get an e-mail about your tax refund that appears to be from the Internal Revenue Service, don't be fooled. It's probably coming from internet thieves looking to steal your personal information, like credit card or bank account numbers. "Many folks have tax refunds coming back this time of year, and crooks might take advantage of that fact," Sanford said if the IRS needs to contact you, they will generally send a notice or letter through the U. S. Mail. Delete bogus IRS e-mails or forward them to phishing@irs.gov.

Third Marine Division Association
The Third Marine Division Association is holding its 55th Annual Reunion in San Antonio, TX on August 24-30th. Any Marines who have served in the Third Marine Division, or were attached to the Third Marine Division in WWII, Korea, Vietnam, Persian Gulf, Iraq, Afghanistan and Peacetime, are invited to attend. For more information, call Mike Sohn at 210-654-3310, or e-mail at jumint2@hotmail.com.

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Seniors, senior parents, and parents of college students should use the web site www.fafsa.ed.gov when filling out their Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) online. There is currently a website that has found an interesting way to get in the college-bound's pocket. Known as fafsa.com, the website charges a fee for submitting the application. There is no fee for submitting the fafsa form on the www.fafsa.ed.gov site.

Panhandle Crisis Center in Need of Volunteers
The Panhandle Crisis Center is in great need for Volunteers to operate our Spearman Resale Store on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays. The hours would be from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Training would be provided and you would be helping us greatly as you work with the public selling items, receiving donated merchandise, and visiting with your hometown friends. If you are willing and able to help with a program that benefits Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault victims in your community, please call 806-435-5008 and ask for Zi Bates Volunteer Coordinator.

Region 16 ESC offers Free GED Preparation Software
Region 16 ESC is offering free GED preparation software for students interested in obtaining a GED. You will also have access to a free online GED prep program through the public library. If you are interested in finding out more information about these services, please contact: Cindy Blackman at 659-3233, Maria Carbajal or Margaret Rutman at 659-2231 or stop by the Hansford County Library.

Panhandle Crisis Center Outreach Office
Panhandle Crisis Center (PCC) has an Outreach Office and Resale Store at 306 Hancock, in Spearman. In case of emergencies, please continue to call the hotline, 1-800-753-5308. To schedule an appointment with a worker in Hansford County, please call 659-3391 to leave a message, or call the hotline number above. Panhandle Crisis Center serves victims of domestic violence and sexual assault. Please call for more information regarding PCC's services. Hours for the Resale Store in Spearman are: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday from 10 a.m.-5 p.m.

Spearhead AA Group
The Spearhead AA Group meets every Tuesday at 8 p.m. in the Pittman-Shieldknight building. Alcoholics Anonymous® is a fellowship of men and women who share their experience, strength and hope with each other that they may solve their common problem and help others to recover from alcoholism. The only requirement for membership is a desire to stop drinking. There are no dues or fees for AA membership; we are self-supporting through our own contributions. AA is not allied with any sect, denomination, politics, organization or institution; does not wish to engage in any controversy, neither endorses nor opposes any causes. Our primary purpose is to stay sober and help other alcoholics to achieve sobriety. For more information, call 662-1111.

You're Never Alone - Narcotics Anonymous Group
Each year individuals struggling with drug and alcohol addiction make the resolution to quit using drugs. For many of them it is a resolution that they cannot keep. Narcotics Anonymous can help. Open meetings are held on Monday and Thursday nights from 8-9 p.m. at the First Christian Church (29 S Bernice, Spearman) for the "You're Never Alone" group of Narcotics Anonymous. Anyone interested is invited to attend. Drug addiction can leave an individual feeling helpless and out of control - we can help.

Texas AgriLife Extension to offer Food Manager Certification Training

Texas AgriLife Extension Service in Hansford County will offer a food manager certification training course called "Food Safety: It's Our Business" on June 23-24 at Fellowship Hall of Church of Christ, 121 Haney Street, Spearman. The deadline for signing up to attend is June 9. The course fee of \$110 includes training, materials and the state food manager certification examination, said Peggy Winegarner, AgriLife Extension family and consumer sciences agent in Hansford County. The cost is \$60 for those individuals wanting to test only. Food establishments under the Texas Department of State Health Services jurisdiction are required by law to have one certified food manager on site, Winegarner said. If successfully completed, this course meets the state requirement. New food manager certificates will be valid for five years. For more information about the Food Manager Certification Training course in Spearman, call Winegarner at 806-659-4131.

Come & Go Surprise Birthday Party for Ross Walker's 90th Birthday!

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Kandi & Jared Johnson - 6/13
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You are invited to a Wedding Shower honoring Erin Boxwell
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Words from Faith & Grace



by Cecil R. Biggers, Lutheran Lay Minister

In the second week of Pentecost, we study 1 Samuel 15:34-16:13, Psalm 20, 1 Corinthians 5:1-17, and Mark 4:26-34.

The prophet Samuel really liked King Saul and was saddened by Saul's fall from favor with God. The Lord sends Samuel to anoint a new king for Israel. Samuel goes to Bethlehem, contacts Jesse, and asks him to bring his sons to sacrifice to the Lord. Samuel is impressed by the oldest son, Eliab, but God does not choose Eliab. Samuel meets six more sons of Jesse, but they are not chosen by God. Finally, Jesse sends for his youngest son, David. David was a ruddy youth, had beautiful eyes and was handsome. God chose David. Samuel anoints David in the presence of his brothers, and the Spirit of the Lord came mightily upon David from that day forward. We learn that God does not see us as others see us; and that to be chosen by God is to be imbued with His Spirit.

The Psalmist sings a song seeking God's protection of His anointed. "Now I know that the Lord will help his anointed; he will answer him from his holy heaven with mighty victories by his right hand." Again, being chosen by God is indicated by the presence of God's Spirit.

Paul is working with the problems of the Church at Corinth. He tells the Corinthians that when our earthly tent (body) is destroyed, we have a new building (body), a house not made by hands, eternal in the heavens. We hold to God's promise of eternal life and the sign of that within us is the Spirit. Paul tells the Corinthians that we shall all stand before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each may receive recompense for what has been done in the earthly body. Yet, we who have received Jesus Christ need not fear this judgment. For in Christ, each believer is a new creation, pure and dedicated to the Lord. Being chosen by God is indicated by the presence of God's Spirit.

Mark shows us a different parable of the "mustard seed." If we scatter the seed on the ground, sleep and rise the next day, and the seed sprouts and grows, we do not know how this happens. The "seed" is the word of God. If we spread this Word it will grow. We may not "see" it grow, but it continues until the Kingdom of God becomes the greatest of all kingdoms.

We learn that it is not the power of a sermon, not our theological acuity, not our eloquence in telling the gospel story that causes others to believe and the Kingdom to grow; it is the power of the Holy Spirit revealing the Word of God to those that hear. It is the Holy Spirit that leads others to believe.

If we follow the example of our Great Teacher, then we realize that a true teacher avoids self-aggrandizement and does not display a sense of superiority. The true teacher must possess understanding, patience and kindness.

May the Holy Spirit choose you for God's service and equip you for your daily ministry.

Texas Senate Review

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the House amended a bill to continue those two agencies for two more years, in an effort to stave off a special session. When that measure came over to the Senate, many Senators, including the bill's sponsor Bryan Senator Steve Ogden, didn't agree with the parliamentary tricks the House used to extend agency deadlines. "It's preposterous to say that a technical correction to the funds consolidation bill, is the safety net bill for all these agencies to not go into sunset," said Ogden. "I thought it was kind of dishonest and I thought it was kind of an insult to the quality of work we've done over here."

Senators might still have accepted the measure, had the House passed a bill that would have given about \$2 billion in bonding authority to TxDOT. The House, however,

suddenly adjourned their session without approving the bonds, leaving some Senators scratching their heads and others condemning them as irresponsible. "The House's actions wreck the TxDOT budget," said Ogden. "Without passing the authorization issuing those bonds they basically wrecked their budget. It's not right."

The Senate adjourned their own session without approving the measure to extend the sunset dates on TxDOT and TDI. This, said some Senators, practically guarantees a special session to deal with these important issues.

Should the governor not call a special session, TxDOT and TDI would cease to exist on September 2, 2010. Until that time, both agencies can conduct business as usual, giving the governor plenty of time to mull if and when to call a special session.

Kidz Kreate Workshop to Feature Food Sculptures

Kids generally love cooking in the kitchen. An opportunity for them to experience creating healthy snacks while learning food safety basics and nutrition will be a Kidz Kreate workshop scheduled for June 24.

"Yummy Food Sculptures," hosted by the Texas AgriLife Extension Service and Potter Extension Education Association, is scheduled from 1:30-3 p.m. June 24 at the AgriLife Extension office in Potter County, 3301 E. 10th (Tri-State Fairgrounds).

The workshop is free to youth ages 7 to 11 but is limited to the first 20 who sign up by calling the AgriLife Extension office.

"Youth will learn the importance of personal hygiene and clean equipment while having fun sculpting an item such as an octopus," said Sue Church, AgriLife Extension family and consumer science agent for Potter County. "They'll also experience making happy faces on English muffins which are fun and easy snacks to prepare."

To register your child or for more information, contact the AgriLife Extension office in Potter County at 806-373-0713.

Workshop Features Rich Nichols

Internationally recognized artist Richard "Rich" Nichols will present a Master Series Workshop from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. July 1 through 3 at the Amarillo Art Institute, 3701 Plains Boulevard #117. Tuition is \$250. Enrollment is limited to ensure one-on-one instruction. A \$100 deposit reserves space in the workshop.

Nichols works in oil, charcoal and watercolor. His works are characterized by his atmospheric color theories, warm sensitive approach and dynamic juxtapositions of color and composition. Nichols has paintings in permanent collections of the American Academy of Art; the Town of Taos; Holy Cross Hospital; Caylor Nickel Medical Center, Inc.; Ernst Whitney; Sears, Roebuck & Company; the Universities of Wisconsin, Nebraska, Minnesota and Missouri; the National Bank of Brookfield;

Chicago's Brookfield Zoo; Good Samaritan Hospital and Marmion Academy.

He has exhibited in numerous International Juried Exhibitions across the nation, including those of the Oil Painters of America, Art for the Parks Exhibition, Taos Invites Taos, The Salon International and Society of Master Impressionists. Nichols is a signature member of the Oil Painters of America and The Society of Master Impressionists.

For more information, contact Judy Neill, executive director, at 806-354-8802 or jneill@amarilloartinstitute.org. You may also call toll-free 1-877-354-8803.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING OF THE APPRAISAL REVIEW BOARD

APPRAISAL REVIEW BOARD
FOR THE HANSFORD COUNTY
APPRAISAL DISTRICT, TEXAS

Notice of Public Meeting of the Appraisal Review Board:

Notice is hereby given that a public meeting of the Appraisal Review Board of the Hansford County Appraisal District will convene at 9:00 am on June 26, 2009, at the conference room in the appraisal district offices located at 709 West 7th Avenue, Spearman, Texas.

The board will hear and determine taxpayer and taxing unit appeals on all matters permitted by TEX. PROPERTY TAX CODE.

The Appraisal Review Board will be in session, notice for which will be duly posted, until all timely filed appeals are heard and resolved.

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Four contestants also participated in the Miss Hansford Preteen Contest. They were: Callie Yarbrough, daughter of Eugene and Judy Yarbrough; Taryn Hughes, daughter of Buck and Cleo Hughes; Daisy Perez, daughter of Jose and Josefina Perez; and Vanessa Vela, daughter of Ciria Vela.

The 2009 Miss Preteen was Vanessa Vela, and the First Runner-Up was Callie Yarbrough.

Eight contestants participated in the Junior Miss Hansford Contest. They were: K.D. McCloy, daughter of Marty and Molly McCloy; Maddie McCloy, daughter of Marty and Molly McCloy; Makena Miller, daughter of Landon and Meagan Miller; Trinity Vasquez, daughter of Josiah Vasquez and Brittany Weaks; Jolee Jasper, daughter of Jerry and Charlotte Jasper; Caylin Brown, daughter of Mark and Jamie Brown; Mollie Harbour, daughter of Sarah Harbour; and Kaycee Anderson, daughter of Tim and Kimberly Anderson.

The 2009 Junior Miss Hansford was Kaycee Anderson, and the First Runner-Up was K.D. McCloy.

Thirteen contestants participated in the Little Miss Contest. They were: Jobi Davis, daughter of Buster and Krista Davis; Autumn Brown, daughter of Mark and Jamie Brown; Brianna Navarrete, daughter of Felipe and Andrea Navarrete; Serenati Massey, daughter of Brian and Brandi Massey; Rilee McLaughlin, daughter of Brian and Leslie McLaughlin; Lilly Shields, daughter of Maria Vela; Lauren Lozano, daughter of Ramon and Jennifer Lozano; Sydney Silva, daughter of Amy Vasquez and Fabian Silva; Launa Burch, daughter of Amanda Apodaca; Maddilyn Miller, daughter of Landon and Meagan Miller; Saxie Ralston, daughter of Rex and Roxy Ralston; Jennifer Chavez, daughter of Raquel Chavez; and Perla Salinas, daughter of Esteban Salinas and Miriam Mendoza.

The 2009 Little Miss was Serenati Massey, and the First Runner-Up was Sydney Silva.

Escorts were Payton Thoreson and Devin Sibley. Each escort received a \$20 gift certificate from Golden Spread Sales and a free admission, medium drink, and popcorn from Lyric Cinema. Their tuxedo rentals were donated by Cates Men & Boys Wear.

All contestants received a carnation from All Occasion Flowers, a Pool Pass from the City of Spearman for one free visit, a Pizza Hut coupon for one free personal pan pizza, a small ice cream cone from Spearman Dairy Queen and a 50¢ coupon from MurMur's Cafe (Little Miss and Jr. Miss Divisions).

Miss Hansford received a \$2,000 cash scholarship, a tiara from Jim's Diamond Shop of Borger, a banner from Paula Clemmons, \$50 gift certificate from Video Madness and Simple Simon's Pizza, a one-year subscription to the Hansford County Reporter-Statesman, an arm bouquet from Prairie Garden

Flowers, a haircut, style and 10 tanning sessions from Missie Bates, and a gift certificate for a necklace and pendant from Rhinestone Gals.

The First Runner-Up received a \$1,000 cash scholarship, an arm bouquet from Prairie Garden Flowers, and 5 tanning sessions from Missie Bates. The Second Runner-Up received a \$600 cash scholarship, an arm bouquet from Prairie Garden Flowers and 5 tanning sessions from Missie Bates. Miss Congeniality received a \$275 cash scholarship and an arm bouquet from Prairie Garden Flowers.

Miss Hansford Teen received a tiara from Jim's Diamond Shop of Borger, a banner from Paula Clemmons, a video rental, medium pizza and drink from Video Madness and Simple Simon's Pizza, a one-year subscription to the Hansford County Reporter-Statesman, a haircut, style and 10 tanning sessions from Missie Bates, an arm bouquet from Prairie Garden Flowers, a \$50 savings bond from Women's Division, and a gift certificate for a necklace and pendant from Rhinestone Gals. The First Runner-Up received an arm bouquet from Prairie Garden Flowers and 5 tanning sessions from Missie Bates.

Miss Hansford Pre-Teen received a tiara from Jim's Diamond Shop of Borger, a banner from Paula Clemmons, a video rental, medium pizza and drink from Video Madness and Simple Simon's Pizza, a one-year subscription to the Hansford County Reporter-Statesman, a \$50 savings bond from Women's Division, and an arm bouquet from First State Bank.

Junior Miss Hansford received a tiara from Jim's Diamond Shop of Borger, a banner from Paula Clemmons, a video rental, medium pizza and drink from Video Madness and Simple Simon's Pizza, a one-year subscription to the Hansford County Reporter-Statesman, a \$50 savings bond from Women's Division, and a long-stem rose from First State Bank. The First Runner-Up received a long-stem rose from

First State Bank.

Little Miss Hansford received a tiara from Jim's Diamond Shop of Borger, a banner from Paula Clemmons, a video rental, medium pizza and drink from Video Madness and Simple Simon's Pizza, a one-year subscription to the Hansford County Reporter-Statesman, a \$50 savings bond from Women's Division, and a long-stem rose from First State Bank. The First Runner-Up received a long-stem rose from First State Bank.

Each Little Miss contestant received a tensile crown.

Women's Division would like to offer their sincere thanks to all the workers who volunteer their time, money and talents to make the pageant a success. Thank you to the young people, sponsors, businesses and the parents for all of the support. Thank you to the judges and Kristi Ramon for your time and talents.

Thank you to the following for their donations to the Scholarship Fund: Rotary, Berry Cleaners, Country Cellular, Gordon's Drug, Dr. James Pinkerton, First State Bank, Farmer's Ag Supply, Bartlett Enterprise, Lion's Club, Hansford Implement, Interstate Bank, Preceptor, Hungry Cowboy, First National Bank, PTSI, North Plains Insurance, Willie Boyd Dirt Service, Panhandle Anchors, The Bunkhouse, Gamma Gamma, Gruver State Bank, Five Star Equipment.

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The Women's Division would also like to thank the 2008 pageant winners for their service: 2008 Little Miss Hansford Jolee Jasper, 2008 Jr. Miss Hansford Ariha Vaquera, 2008 Preteen Miss Hansford Tyann Hight, 2008 Teen Miss Hansford Delores DeLaRosa, and the 2008 Miss Hansford Clara Kern.

Winner Profiles

2009 Little Miss Hansford Serenati Massey is the five-year-old daughter of Brian and Brandi Massey. She will attend Kindergarten at Gus Birdwell in the fall of 2009. She has two brothers, Addison and Dace. Her grandparents are Doug and Debbie Bobeck and Doug and Beth Massey-Price. Activities: Dancing for fun; Favorite Toy: Brats dolls; Favorite Show: Hannah Montana; Favorite Food: Cheese Enchiladas; Favorite Saying: I Love You; When she grows up she wants to be an EMT with her Nana because she wants to help people who are sick, drive the ambulance, and throw candy in the parade.

2009 Junior Miss Hansford Kaycee Anderson is the nine-year-old daughter of Tim and Kimberly Anderson. She will be attending 4th grade at Gruver Elementary in the fall. She has one sister, Rayel, and two brothers, Taos and Reed. Her grandparents are Connie and Wayne Williams and Carolyn Anderson. Activities: Little Dribblers, 4-H showing and judging, Gymnastics, Kids for Christ, and Girl Scouts; Favorite Toy: Webkinz; Favorite Show: Tom and Jerry; Favorite Food: corn on the cob and watermelon; Favorite Saying: sorry, don't feed the bulldog; When she grows up she wants to be a teacher because her mom is one.


2009 Pre-Teen Miss Hansford Vanessa Vela is the twelve-year-old daughter of Ciria Vela. She will be attending 7th grade at Spear-

man Junior High in the fall of 2009. Her grandparents are the late Willie Vela and the late Aurora Vela. She has a cat named Ashes and a dog named LG (Little Giant). Activities: basketball, softball, swimming, singing, dancing and tumbling; Best Asset: Personality; Favorite Subject: Math; Favorite Food: Hamburger; Favorite Saying: Please and Thank You; Hero: Her grandmother, Aurora Vela, because she taught her to be a strong, faithful person in God.

2009 Teen Miss Hansford Allison Brown is the fourteen-year-old daughter of Benny and Carla Puentes and Mark and Jamie Brown. She will be attending 9th grade at Spearman High School this fall. Her siblings include Beau, Carey, Drew, Evan, Caylin, Autumn and Slade. Her grandparents are Jimmy and Donetta Greene and Darrell and Linda West. Her step-grandparents are John and Tami Kunselman and Benito Puentes. Activities: basketball, track, 4-H, cross country and church youth; Best Asset: responsible; Favorite Subject: science; Favorite Food:

Cheesecake; Favorite Color: Yellow; Favorite Saying: Be truthful. If you tell the truth, you don't have to remember anything. Hero: Granny Greene; Goals: To be on the varsity track team her freshman year.


2009 Miss Hansford Marisol Hernandez is the eighteen-year-old daughter of Isabel and Maria Hernandez. She will be a freshman at Amarillo College in the fall of 2009. She has two sisters, Brenda Holguin and Genesis Hernandez and two brothers, Jose and Hugo Hernandez. Activities: yearbook, cooking and dancing; Best Asset: personality; Favorite Subject: English; Favorite Food: chicken in creme chiptole; Favorite Color: pink; Favorite Saying: "And now these three remain; faith, hope, and love. But the greatest of these is love." Corinthians 13:13; Hero: Jesus Christ and her mom because of their everyday sacrifices and unconditional and unending love; Goals: To become a successful Hispanic woman in the business field and a loving wife and mother.



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This new opportunity of a photography business is yet another example of how God continually watches over and takes care of me. I've always wanted to take pictures professionally, but I never dreamed it would actually happen! I would love to share my passion of taking pictures with you and your loved ones.

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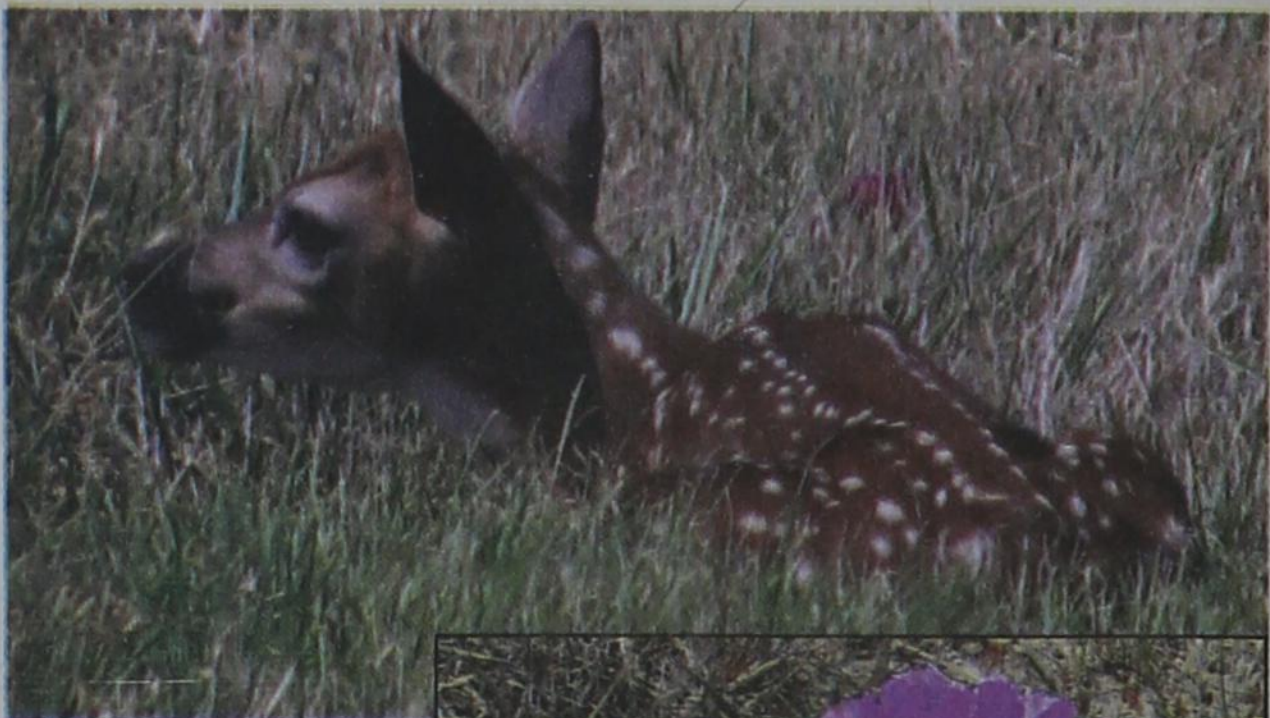
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A fawn and a Barrel cactus flower

Lake Level--June 8, 2009--
22.08 feet (-0.28)

Jim reported two small rains on Thursday and Friday. The gauge showed a combined .42 inch.

It is now summer time, and Lake Palo Duro sees visitors even during the week. Fishing has been a little slow, from what I hear. Perhaps night fishing would be more productive.

He is not seeing many fish being caught. The fishermen do tell him of seeing the beaver.

There were 3 RVs camped behind the dam at the outlets and 2 RVs and 3 tents dry camping under the trees of Dedication Park.

The Spearman Methodist Church had their Sunday Morning Services using the Shelter and other areas. A noon meal followed. The extreme winds created problems for a time.

Jim has seen his first doe (whitetail) with twin fawns this year. He sees some fawns each day. Just look for the doe, and there probably will be one or two fawns near. He is also seeing small Turkey and quail. The winecups in the park below the dam are especially pretty, but will be gone soon.

We are looking forward to

the Heritage Days celebration in the park, this Saturday. Come out and enjoy it!

Miller Bugs

This is Miller Bug time, and a number of people have told me they were having away too many invade their homes. Country homes seem to get the most. Actually they are not bugs but moths. Their name comes because the dust they have on their bodies reminded people in the early days of the flour on the clothes of the millers who ground the grain.

The moths are not harmful as they do not eat anything (clothes) and as they do not lay eggs. We don't like the smear or the brownish-red stain they leave. At times they smell, particularly if they get scorched. They seem to go crazy around bright lights.

They will stick around awhile, and then move on, but they come back in early fall.

stay awhile and then find places in fields, pastures, and yards to lay their eggs. In a few weeks the eggs hatch into army cutworms.

Sometimes there are enough for them to form an army and do damage to winter wheat. They live on in this stage to early spring when they pupate--go into a cocoon. The moths appear then in late May. Usually a dry, warm winter brings way more moths than we want to see.

Moths are nocturnal and are guided by the light of the moon. Something about bright lights draws them to the source. Their flight is erratic. Some people use this to trap moths in soapy water under a light bulb or candle.

The roadrunners that live near the office know to check under the office night light for easy meals of dead moths.



Photos by Joe Baker, Editor/Publisher of The Countywide in Karnes City, TX and Travis Harsch, former sports editor of the Canyon News.

Garnett Experienced Running With The Best

By Barb Amrhein

Sutton Garnett came in 7th place in the Class 2A 3200-meter run at the State Track Meet with a time of 12:45.88.

Garnett entered the meet with the fourth-best time of all state qualifiers, and close to a half-minute behind the first-place time. No one from the area, including her coach Kenny Eudy, would have been surprised if she won.

The junior won the regional meet in 12:09.87, just ahead of late charging Colleen Adams of Wall, who finished in 12:10.02 after

Garnett had retaken the lead with 20 meters left in the race.

Garnett, a third-place 1600-meter runner from last year's state meet, also finished third in the 2008 state cross country meet.

"This is the time of year you want to be peaking," Eudy said. "Most of the meets she was dead-legged. Toward the end of the year we cut back on the number of miles she's run and worked on speed work."

Another reason Eudy expected a possible gold medal

is Garnett finished third in the state cross country meet in a time under 12 minutes over hills and rougher terrain giving her coach reason to believe she can make a large time drop.

Her ability to finish well also made her a serious threat to move up on the medal stand.

"She's a pretty strong finisher," Eudy said. "At the state meet last year she finished third by a step. She probably made up 20 yards in the stretch."

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