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Irwin Selected TPRDC Vice- President

The Texas Panhandle Regional Development Corporation has selected Steve Bowen, Senior Vice-President with PNB Financial in Amarillo, as its President.

Kyle Irwin, Vice-President with Gruver State Bank, was elected Vice-President; Lorie Vincent, Executive Director of The High Ground of Texas in Stratford, was elected as Secretary; and Sheryl Hardy, Executive Director of Perryton Economic Development Corporation, was elected as Treasurer.

Other directors are Robert Worley with the Dumas Economic Development Corporation, Milton Cooke with Cookya, Inc. in Canadian, Ralph Maxfield with Lemon Insurance in Booker, Steve Brunson with First Amarillo Bank in Amarillo, and Duane Harp with Edward Jones Co. in Pampa.

The Texas Panhandle Regional Development Corporation (TPRDC) is a U.S. Small Business Administration Certified Development Company which serves the 26 counties of the Texas Panhandle. A certified development company (CDC) is a nonprofit corporation set up to contribute to the economic development of its community or region. CDC's work with the Small Business Administration (SBA) and private-sector lenders to provide financing to small businesses. Through the SBA 504 Loan Program, TPRDC enables expanding businesses or business start-ups to secure long-term, fixed-rate financing for fixed assets, such as land and buildings.

Local Media Honored

Cathy Smith and Harletta Carthel of the Hansford County Reporter-Statesman and Carolyn Cummings and Dwayne Smith of KRDF-FM were nominated to the Media Honor Roll, a program sponsored by the Texas Association of School Boards (TASB), by Pringle-Morse CISD. The Media Honor Roll recognizes media representatives statewide who deserve recognition for fair and balanced reporting of news about public schools. Media representatives from more than 450 Texas newspapers and radio and television stations were honored by their local school districts.

Criteria for the district selection included media representative's efforts to get to know the superintendent, board president, and the district's mission and goals; report school news in a fair, accurate and balanced manner; give a high profile to positive news about schools; visit the schools; and maintain a policy of no surprises by sharing information with school officials.

"Districts across Texas appreciate these reporters for their balanced and accurate approach to sharing both the challenges facing our schools and the successes achieved by local teachers, students and school boards. Their work aids local communities in focusing on the goal of providing the best public schools we can for every child," said Carols Nieto, TASB president.

In most cases, local school boards passed a formal resolution to add names of media from their communities. The 2002 Media Honor Roll appeared in the August/September issue of TASB's *Texas Lone Star*, and certificates were created for presentation at the local level.

TASB is a nonprofit association established in 1949 to serve local Texas school districts. School board members are the largest group of publicly elected officials in the state. The districts they represent have a combined annual budget of \$26 billion and employ more than 540,000 people.

Mayors Proclaim November As Hospice Month



Spearman Mayor Steve Benton signs a proclamation declaring November as National Hospice Month. Observing the signing are (Standing, L-R) City Manager Robert Patrick, volunteers Doyle and June Jackson, Hospice Director Charla Hargis, RN and Volunteer Coordinator Rosetta Barrera, LVN.



Gruver Mayor Mark Irwin expresses the community's appreciation to hospice volunteers with a handshake and an official proclamation declaring November National Hospice Month in Gruver. Pictured (Left to right) are hospice volunteers Ann Maria Marques, Carolyn Hicks, Mayor Irwin, and volunteers J.C. Harris and Anna Beth Woods.

November is National Hospice Month. Hospice is an organization where the terminally ill and their families are taken. Patients are treated with dignity. The goal of hospice care is to control pain and address other symptoms occurring during a terminal illness. Pain can be social, emotional, spiritual and physical, therefore hospice care involves many disciplines. The family and patient remain in control of the situation and plan of care.

Volunteers are a very important part of this care. Volunteers can be involved in caring for needs of patients and families in the home or in the Hospice unit. Volunteers can sit with patients, run errands, prepare food for families, assist with administrative duties, be a listener, assist with fund raising and other things that might be needed to carry on the hospice program.

Hansford County Hospice is involved in bringing hos-

pice care to our communities. We have volunteers who are very involved in the hospice program. We are always needing additional volunteers to help carry out this program. There will be a new class for volunteers soon. If you are interested, contact the Hansford County Hospital to find out the details at 659-2535.

Mackie, Shields Receive Gold Star Award

Twenty-nine outstanding 4-H Club members from the Panhandle area were honored at the Panhandle District 145th annual 4-H Gold Star Banquet held at West Texas A&M University on Saturday, November 9, 2002. The theme for the banquet was "The Power of YOUTH, A Centennial 4-H Celebration." (Nationally, 4-H is celebrating its 100th Anniversary.)

Kyna Shields and Dustin Mackie were honored as Gold Star recipients from Hansford County.

Kyna is the 17-year-old daughter of Lonnie and LeAnn Shields of Spearman. She has worked with animals in 4-H for many years and has won some state and national prizes with her stock and projects. She works part-time at Hansford Vet Clinic, but still makes time to be involved in youth activities at the First Baptist Church, as well as helping younger members of 4-H. Kyna is involved in the "Secret Friends" organization, which

assists the elderly, and keeps her identity secret until the end of the year. For relaxation, she enjoys playing the piano.

Dustin is the 17-year-old son of Glen Ray and Laura Mackie of Spearman. He is president of Hansford 4-H, is active in the First United Methodist Church, and is involved in other volunteer organizations. In school he plays football and is a member of the National Honor Society.

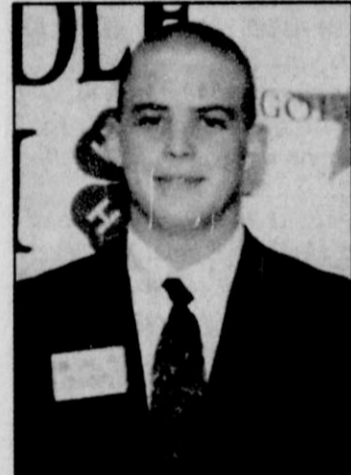
To qualify for the Gold Star Award, highest 4-H honor at the county level, a 4-H'er must be at least 15 years old, have completed three years of club work, be active in 4-H and completed a 4-H record book. "The award is intended to stimulate winners to higher achievement and to encourage other young people to participate in the county 4-H program," states Angela Burkham, Extension Program Specialist. The Gold Star may be awarded one time in a 4-H member's career for outstanding

club work and leadership.

The awards were presented by Bob Robinson and Donna Brauchi, District Extension Directors of Texas Cooperative Extension. 4-H is the youth program of Texas Cooperative Extension, a part of the Texas A&M System.

Deaf Smith Electric Cooperative, along with Greenbelt Electric Cooperative, Lighthouse Electric Cooperative, North Plains Electric, Swisher Electric Cooperative, and Rita Blanca Electric sponsored the annual banquet.

The banquet was planned and conducted by County Extension Agents, Volunteer Leaders, and 4-H'ers on the District Recognition Committee. Committee members this year were, Kandy McWhorter of Moore County, Brenda Gladney of Potter County co-chairs, Leesa Wood Calvi of Randall County, Kirk Dahl of Hartley County, Danny Nusser of Gray County, Mike Bragg of Dallam County, J. W. Wagner of Potter County, Sally Palitza of Randall County, and Dinah Horsford of Sherman County.



Dustin Mackie



Kyna Shields

You are cordially invited to attend the Lighting of the Hansford Hospice Lights of Love Tree and Open House

Monday, December 2, 2002, 6:30-7:30 p.m.
Beginning in the Living Room at Hansford Manor and moving to the Hospice Gazebo at Hansford Hospital.
Refreshments will be served.

NOTICE

The Hansford County Reporter-Statesman office will be CLOSED November 26th-29th for the Thanksgiving holiday.

The deadline for publication in the Thanksgiving issue will be Thursday, November 21st at 5 p.m.

For more information, please contact Catherine Smith at 659-3434, or e-mail me at CathyRSmit@aol.com.

You are invited to attend the Community Thanksgiving Worship Service

Sunday, November 24th • 7 p.m.

First United Methodist Church

Honoring Emergency Personnel of Hansford County

Bill Sparks - Speaker

Dessert Fellowship Following Service

Laugh
and
Live



by Catherine R. Smith
CathyRSmit@aol.com

Spearman ISD Superintendent, and friend, Rod Sumner sent me the following story. It is a great story about kindness, which I believe was written by James Walker. I hope you enjoy it.

In an age when arrogance and "Sharpie" pens steal the national spotlight, it is often the smallest, most unnoticed acts of kindness that remind us that football is merely a game.

The story, which is destined to become legendary in Southern Ohio circles, starts in Waverly.

Northwest football coach Dave Frantz and Tigers coach Derek DeWitt shared a conversation the week leading up to the game. But the two coaches weren't discussing strategy, instead they were talking about a mentally-handicapped Northwest player by the name of Jake Porter.

Porter, a senior, has a disorder called "Chromosomal Fragile-X," which is the largest common cause of inherited mental retardation.

Porter still shows up on time for practice every day and dresses in full gear during games, but he has yet to take an official snap in a football game.

Frantz wanted that to end.

"I told them (Waverly) ahead of time that he can't take a hit or anything," Frantz said. "If the game's not at stake on the last play, I wanted him to come in and take a knee." Yet a week after their conversation, with Waverly leading 42-0 with five seconds remaining, coach DeWitt offered Frantz one better.

"During the timeout, he met me in the middle of the field and said 'We'll let him score,'" Frantz explained. "Initially I said, 'Nah.' Then we talked about it with the referees, and they said, 'Hey Coach, we understand.'" What soon followed will forever go down in Southern Ohio football lore.

At Waverly's 49-yard line, Porter entered the game at tailback, had his play, "84-iso" called in the huddle. When the ball was snapped, all 21 players parted ways.

Porter was somewhat surprised when he slowly walked through the huge hole. He initially turned back around to the original line of scrimmage, but everyone on the field - including defensive players from Waverly - pointed and guided Porter toward the Tigers' end zone.

"When we practiced it, he was supposed to down it, so I think he was a little confused at first," Northwest tailback Zach Smith said. "But once he figured it out, he took off."

The 49-yard trek to glory took about 10-12 seconds in all, and was culminated by players from both sidelines cheering and running step-for-step with Porter to the end zone. Tears flowed from the bleachers well into the night, and the life of one young man was changed forever.

"At Waverly, we didn't do anything special. We were just happy to be a part of that," a humbled DeWitt said. "That young man was just excited to get the ball. Our guys didn't care about the shutout, those stats went out the window."

"When you're involved in a moment like that, you want to make sure you end the game with class, decency and respect."

Those who play football on the highest levels should take notice.

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

Catherine :)

McKee Recognized As Dealer of the Year



Kermit McKee of Gruver was recognized as the Dealer of the Year for Golden Harvest south-west territory, including Southeastern Colorado, Southwestern Kansas, Oklahoma Panhandle, Texas Panhandle and Northeastern New Mexico.

Kermit McKee has been associated with Golden Harvest for twenty years, and is a past recipient of this award. According to Bart Arbutnot, District Sales Manager, "Kermit is extremely committed to his customers and to his dealership. He exemplifies our slogan 'Service Always.'"

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Wed. Prayer Mtg. 7 p.m.
Pastor - Roland Haney

First Assembly of God
401 N. Bernice • 659-2295
Sunday School: 9:30 a.m.
Worship: 10:35 a.m.
Kid's Church: 10:35 a.m.
Evening Worship: 7 p.m.
Wed. Worship: 7:30 p.m.
Youth: 7:30 Wednesday
Pastor - Walter Greaser, Jr.

First Christian Church
(Disciples of Christ)
29 S. Bernice • 659-2036
Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.
Worship: 10:50 a.m.
Minister - Gary Smith

First Baptist Church
123 N. Bernice • 659-5557
Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.
Worship: 11 a.m.
Evening Worship: 7 p.m.
Wed. Fellowship Meal: 6 p.m.
Wed. Disc. Time: 6:30 p.m.
Wed. Youth Mtg.: 8 p.m.
Pastor - Patrick Six

Church of Christ
121 S. Haney • 659-3244
Sunday Bible Class: 9:45 a.m.
Worship: 10:30 a.m.
Evening Worship: 6 p.m.
Bible Study Wed.: 7:30 p.m.
KRDF Radio Program
Living W/Christ: 7:50 a.m.
Minister - Leonard Harper

Sacred Heart Catholic Church
901 Roland • 659-2792
Sat. Night Mass: 5:30 p.m.
Sun. Mass: 9 a.m. - English
(aired on KRDF-FM 98.3)
Sun. Mass: 11:30 - Spanish
1:30 p.m. - Gruver - Christo
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Rev. Guillermo Morales

Trinity Fellowship Church
717 W. 7th Ave. • 659-2671
Sunday School: 9:30 a.m.
Worship Service &
Children's Church: 10:30 a.m.
Pastor - Dennis Alger

First Presbyterian Church
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1021 Cotter • 659-2033
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Worship: 11 a.m.
(alternates monthly between Lutheran &
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407 S. Haney • 659-5503
Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.
Worship: 8:30 & 11 a.m.
Jr. High Youth: 5 p.m. Sunday
High School: 6 p.m. Sunday
Kids Club: 3 p.m. Wed.
Pastor - Ken Cole

Union Church
31 S. Endicott • 659-2644
Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.
Worship: 10:45 a.m.
Evening Worship: 6 p.m.
Bible Study: 7 p.m. Wed.
Pastor - Bill Sparks

Fellowship Baptist
1102 S. Archer • 659-2783
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Worship: 11 a.m.
Sun. Evening Worship: 6 p.m.
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Pastor - Gene Foster

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Evening: 6 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meeting: 7 p.m.
Thurs. Visitation: 7 p.m.

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First Baptist Church
402 E. Broadway • 733-2411
Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.
Worship: 10:50 a.m.
Disciple Training: 6 p.m. Sunday
Prayer Meeting: 7:30 p.m. Wednesday
Pastor - Scott Curry

Church of Christ
209 King • 733-2760
Sunday School: 9:30 a.m.
Worship: 10:20 a.m.
Evening Worship: 6 p.m.
Wed. Worship: 7:30 p.m.

First Christian Church
510 King • 733-2960
Sunday School: 10:00 a.m.
Sunday Worship: 11 a.m.
Youth: 7:30, Sunday
Adult Bible Study: 7:30, Sun.
Wed. Bible Study: 8:00 p.m.
Pastor - Gary Gumfory

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Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.
Worship: 11 a.m.
Pastor - Paul Fiske

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Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.
Worship: 8:30 & 10:50 a.m.
Eve. Worship & UMY: 6 p.m.
Pastor - Jerry Moore

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Editor's Note: This Happy Birthday list is run as a public service by the Hansford County Reporter-Statesman. We apologize if any names are misspelled. If you know of a name that needs to be changed, added or deleted, please call 659-3434. Thank you, Catherine

November 21

Birthday - Kaysha Cluck, Jackie Wilson, Jim Burch, Robert Janzen, Jody Robertson, Mark Pearson, Mrs. Jake Vernon, James Owens, Angie Salgado, Margie Alford, Matt Burnam, Denise Rojas, Victor White, Haley Coomen, Dawn Loomis, Brittanie Osbourne, Jody Robertson

Anniversary - Mr. & Mrs. Johnny White, Mr. & Mrs. J.L. Griffin, Ted & Cheryl Whitefield, Jose & Sylvia Tarango

November 22

Birthday - Garret Miner, Kevin Russell, Rusty Reed, Bonita Reimer, Phillip Janzan, David Miser, Lesly Hayes, Nancy Morris, Russell Sheets, John David Bergin, Emily Lilley

November 23

Birthday - Steven Francis, Randy Karlin, Kim Venneman, Clint Venneman, Wanda Widener, Ronald Swan, LaDell Scroggs, Delores Rylant, Sara George, Mary Hart

Anniversary - Lesly & Maureen Stinson, Mr. & Mrs. Jesse Francis, Mr. & Mrs. Val Winger, Mr. & Mrs. Greg Stork, Mr. & Mrs. Steve Mitchell, Andy & April DeLaRosa

November 24

Birthday - Brady Hart, Pablo Perez Jr., Danna Sue Floyd, Helen Gibson, Patty Younger, Duane Hart, James Jackson, Dana Garza, Lashera Snider, Jamie Dawn Hanson, Stephanie Villalobos, Raymond Fairbank, Brianne Burkhammer, Georgia Holt, Teresa Page, Dennis Stedje, Linda Weller, Elvin Wright, Sharon Arrington, Whitney Maestas

Anniversary - Mr. & Mrs. Pete Vera, Mr. & Mrs. Rex Casdorff, Mr. & Mrs. David Imke

November 26

Birthday - Lori Perez, Chad Stork, Mollie Holton, Tracy Vernon, Chris Stewart, Scott

Barkley, Dale Red, Eldon Sparks, Aaron Brown, James Smith, Jorge Soto, Jr.

Anniversary - Mr. & Mrs. Harlan Gerardy

November 27

Birthday - Jim Potts, Dorothy Evans, Marilyn Davis, Jackie Nelson, Monty Ross, Tony Pacheco, Susan Poole, Jesse Moreno

Anniversary - Mr. & Mrs. Dale Wofford, Mr. & Mrs. James Winger, Mr. & Mrs. James Dorman, Mr. & Mrs. Ty Williams

November 28

Birthday - Casey Smith, Clint Williams, Jeanie McClellan, Frank Shields, Patty Spoonemore, Thelma Ford, Caroline Schick, Jennye Womble, Pat Hamilton, Harley Murrell, Marie Belle Vargas, Rick Howard, Toni Pittman, Tammy Red, Darlene Curry

Anniversary - Mr. & Mrs. Julian Rodriguez, Mr. & Mrs. Steve Matthews, Mr. & Mrs. Doug Frick

November 29

Birthday - Brian Presley, Steven Salazar, Wanda Wagner, Genna Floyd, Robert Browning, Ciria Vela, Ted Vela, Troy Lane Brown, Brenda Salgado, Amanda Burress

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November 30

Birthday - Cass Cooper, Roxane Holt, Rosie McClenagan, Judy Stedje, Miranda Thoreson, Adalyn Barnes, Dan Desimone, Don Maize, Jed Meisner, Mark Nelson, Judy Speck, Steve Harnish, Ernest Bowen, Eulalia Reyes, Mary Reyes, Marion Mitchell, Lisa Payne, David Reid

Anniversary - Mr. & Mrs. Lee Roy Mitchell, Mr. & Mrs. Ross Walker, Mr. & Mrs. Rick Harvey, Mr. & Mrs. Luis Salazar

December 1

Birthday - Georgia Davidson, Robert Stayton, Peggy Archer, Debra Dennis, Peggy Ellsworth, Bill Martin, Brian Paul, Shane Vela, Eleen Wright, Sha Lynn Harris, Lynn Vela, Jennifer Neff

Our Deepest Sympathy

LARRY TED WIDENER

SPEARMAN - Larry Ted Widener, 43, died Saturday, November 16, 2002.

Graveside services were at 2 p.m. Wednesday, November 20, 2002 in Holt Cemetery with the Rev. Patrick Six officiating. Arrangements were by Boxwell Brothers Funeral Home of Spearman.

Mr. Widener was born on June 9, 1959 in Perryton. He had lived in the area his entire lifetime. He married D'Anda Close on April 21, 1979 in Spearman.

Mr. Widener was a commercial applicator of agriculture chemicals. He was a member of First Baptist Church of Spearman. He was employed by B&B Farm Industries from 1977 to 1997, and owned and operated L&D Spraying from 1997 until his death. He loved flying and had been a licensed pilot since 1982.

Survivors include his wife, D'Anda; a daughter, Leslie McLaughlin and husband, Brian, of Spearman; a son, Brett Widener of Spearman; his parents, Ted and Wanda Widener of Spearman; a brother, Steven Ross Widener of Amarillo; and a grandson, Brice McLaughlin of Spearman.

The family suggests memorials be to Hansford Hospice, 707 Roland St., Spearman, TX 79081; or Holt Cemetery in care of Mary Fern Terry, 906 Bernice St., Spearman, TX 79081.

TOMMY WAYNE RASOR

GRUVER - Tommy Wayne Rasor, 68, died Friday, November 15, 2002 at Hansford Hospital in Spearman.

A praise service was held at 2 p.m. Monday, November 18th in Gruver First Baptist Church with Scott Curry, pastor, and Larry Miller, pastor of the Eastern Hill Baptist Church in Albuquerque, N.M., officiating. Family graveside services were held Monday morning at the Gruver Cemetery. Arrangements were by Bunch-Roberts Funeral Home of Guymon, Oklahoma.

The son of Martin A. and Elsie Charlotte (Willey) Rasor, he was born October 23, 1934 in Erick, Oklahoma.

Mr. Rasor was united in marriage with Phyllis Christie on May 19, 1956. They moved to Sunray, Texas in 1965 from Springfield, Colorado, and then to Gruver in 1981, where they have resided since. He was a farmer and owner/operator of the Horseshoe Inn. He was an active member of the Gruver First Baptist Church, serving as a deacon.

He was preceded in death by his parents, two sisters, Voneda Cline and Margaret Rasor, and four brothers, Doug, Hartsel, Herman and Harvey Rasor.

Survivors include his wife, Phyllis of the home; a son, George Rasor and his wife, Linda of Dimmitt; a daughter, Beverley and her husband, Ralph Mireles of Gruver; five grandchildren, Laura and Michael Rasor of Dimmitt and Sarah, Lindsey and Drew Mireles of Gruver; and two brothers, Aubrey Rasor and wife, Melba of Gruver and Bob Rasor and wife, Ruth of Miami, Oklahoma.

The family suggests, in lieu of flowers, memorials be given to Hansford Hospice or the Gruver EMS. Memorials will be accepted at the Bunch-Roberts Funeral Home, PO Box 1112, Guymon, Oklahoma 73942.

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The Wesley United Methodist Church will host their 22nd annual Festival of Arts and Crafts on December 7, 2002 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., at the Community Center. Only a limited number of booths are available, with applications being screened. The booth fee is \$10. Applications may be obtained by writing to Ellen Collins, 801 Miles St., Hereford, TX 79045, or call (806) 364-0774.

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The Careers in Agriculture scholarship program sponsored by Agrilience, CROPLAN GENETICS and Land O'Lakes Farmland Feed annually awards \$1,000 scholarships to 50 high school seniors interested in livestock or agronomy-related studies. Candidates should: be a high school senior planning to enroll in a two- or four-year livestock or agronomy-related curriculum in the fall following high school graduation, demonstrate leadership and academic performance, and write an essay describing why he or she is interested in an agricultural career. To apply, print and complete the application form and mail it to the address on the form. Applications must be postmarked by March 3 of the student's senior year. Winners will be notified a few months later in early May.

Ministerial Alliance Thanksgiving Service

The Annual Community Thanksgiving Service, sponsored by the Spearman Ministerial Alliance, will be held on Sunday, November 24th at 7 p.m. in the First United Methodist Church. The speaker will be Rev. Bill Sparks. The offering from this service will go to the Angel Tree and Crisis Center. Guests of honor will be all emergency personnel of Hansford County.

You're Never Alone - Narcotics Anonymous Group

Open meetings will be held on Thursday night from 7-8 p.m. at the First Christian Church (29 S. Bernice in Spearman) for the "You're Never Alone" group of Narcotics Anonymous. Anyone interested is invited to attend.

Register Tapes for Education

The Spearman 7th and 8th Grade Gifted & Talented class will be accepting register tapes from Lowe's Marketplace from September 1, 2002 until March 31, 2002. These tapes will be turned into valuable and important educational equipment, free of charge, for the Spearman Junior High campus. Tapes may be given to any Spearman Junior High student, or may be taken to the Spearman Junior High office.

Campbell's Soup Donation

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Methodist Church Chancel Choir Thanksgiving Dinner

The Chancel Choir of the First United Methodist Church will be having their annual Community Thanksgiving Dinner in the fellowship hall on November 21, 2002 from 11:30 AM-1:00 PM. Tickets are \$6.00 each and under 6 years old free and can be purchased from any choir member or at the door. We will be serving turkey, dressing and all the trimmings plus tasty pie. For carry-outs please call 659-5504 by 10:00 AM and pick-up through the double glass doors at the front of the church. Don't miss this wonderful meal!!!! Come join us for fun, good food and a great fellowship on Thursday, November 21st.

Nomination Forms Available for Governor's Volunteer Award

The Texas Commission on Volunteerism and Community Service (TxCVCS) is accepting nomination forms for the 2003 Governor's Volunteer Awards. These awards, administered in partnership with the Office of the Governor, acknowledge Texans whose commitment to community and service to others is exemplary. Individuals may nominate themselves or others in one of 11 award categories. Finalists will be chosen by a governor-appointed blue ribbon panel in March. Each recipient will receive a \$1,000 donation to their charity of choice courtesy of H-E-B. Recipients will be honored at a recognition ceremony in Austin on May 1, 2003 during National Volunteer Week. For more information or to download a nomination form, visit www.txserve.org or call the Governor's Volunteer Awards Hotline at 512-475-4432. Forms must be received by 5 p.m. on December 31, 2002.

Holiday Hours for Hansford County Library

The Hansford County Library will be closed Thursday, November 26th, through Sunday, December 1st for the Thanksgiving Holidays. It will be open from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. only on Monday, December 23rd and Friday, December 27th, and will be closed Tuesday, December 24th through Thursday, December 26th. The library will be open from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Monday, December 30th, and will close at noon on Tuesday, December 31st, and will remain closed on Wednesday, January 1st. The library will resume regular business hours on Thursday, January 2, 2003.

Texas Historical Commission Seeks Nominations for T.R. Fehrenbach Book Award

The Texas Historical Commission (THC) will accept nominations for its annual T.R. Fehrenbach Book Award until December 31, 2002. The THC will award up to three \$1,000 cash prizes to authors of Texas history books published in 2002. The book award encourages original research of Texas history. The award is named for historian and THC commissioner emeritus T.R. Fehrenbach of San Antonio, one of the state's leading authorities on Texas history and the author of 18 books. For guidelines and a nomination form, visit the THC web site at www.thc.state.tx.us or contact the Marketing Communications Division at 512/463-6255. The Texas Historical Commission is the state agency for historic preservation. The agency administers a variety of programs to preserve the archeological, historical and cultural resources of Texas.

Hansford Hospital Auxiliary Luncheon

The Hansford Hospital Auxiliary will host a luncheon on December 2, 2002 at 11:30 a.m. at the Panhandle Deli & Diner. This is a Dutch-treat meal. After our meeting, we will go to the hospital and manor to decorate for Christmas. Anyone who is interested in joining the Auxiliary is welcome to come and join us.

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Hospital Employee Receives Certification



Hansford Hospital Administrator Steve Hartgraves presents Frances Thompson a Certified Professional Coder certificate.

The American Academy of Professional Coders (AAPC) has awarded Frances Thompson the designation of a CPC, Certified Professional Coder after successfully passing the national certification examination. Thompson is one of 16,000 certified members who receive ongoing education and recognition for expert professional skills in medical coding for the health care industry. Certified coders help prevent legal difficulties and ensure that providers receive full reimbursement in a timely manner.

AAPC, a nationally renowned organization, holds a higher standard for health care professionals. Since its beginning in 1988, the organization has grown from a few members to over 27,000 nationwide. Networking for members is available through 300 national AAPC local chapters across the United States. Professional coders are supported by the AAPC National Advisory Board made up of certified members representing clinics, facilities, payer and consulting firms, as well as by the AAPC National Physicians Advisory Board, which offers direct input into the certification programs, educational curricula and membership services offered by the Academy.

Gruver Receives Recycling Award



City of Gruver Employees (left to right) Alan Jones, Robert Blount, who is also utilities director, and Mark Washburn stand near the Gruver Recycling Center that was announced as the winner of the Panhandle Regional Planning Commission recycling award in observance of the tenth anniversary of Texas Recycles Day.

The award is given to the municipality that recycles the most pounds of materials per capita each year. The City of Gruver recycled 233.94 pounds of material per resident saving the city \$3,400.00 in landfill fees plus the cost of transportation to the Spearman landfill.

It's A Girl!

Jasen and Maleca Castillo wish to announce the birth of their daughter, Nella Reese Castillo.

Nella was born on November 15, 2002 at 1:13 p.m. at Trinity Medical Center in Carrollton, Texas. She weighed 7-pounds, 6-ounces and was 19-inches long.

Nella is welcomed home by a 9 year old sister Marlee and a 4 year old brother Masen.

Proud grandparents are Lee and Marsha Shaver of Spearman, Charles and Judy Ridge of Amarillo, and Jose Castillo of San Antonio.

Great-grandmother is Ruth Shaver of Garland. She is also the great-granddaughter of the late Bobby and Nella Beth McCoy of Perryton.

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Sheets Wins 4-H Award



Tori Sheets

Tori Sheets of Spearman placed 1st in the junior division Share-the-Fun Musical competition during the District 4-H Roundup held November 9th in Canyon. She is the daughter of Mark and Charlotte Sheets of Spearman.

Over 200 Panhandle 4-H members from twenty-one counties in Extension Panhandle District 1 competed in the 30 activities, including speaking events, illustrated talks, method demonstrations and performing arts. Recognition awards were given in ceremonies at Canyon Junior High.

This years program and award medallions were sponsored by Xcel Energies Foundation.

Thank You, Spearman!

The Marvelous Moonlit Festival was a success due to the efforts of all the game booth and food booth operators. (There has never been a funnier cake walk! The folks from Kid's Corner did a bang up job and kept the crowd going all night.)

The crowd came out and enjoyed the festivities. Lots of faces were seen enjoying home-made suckers, peanut brittle, chicken-on-a-stick, pizza, or a bit of a Bitti! Everyone was smiling and having a good time.

Thank you, Spearman, you're a great place to live with some fine and caring people. Mark your calendar for next year's event (October 25, 2003).

Special thanks goes to the vendors: Leanna Walker, Hospital Employees, Kid's Corner, Rho Rho, Janet and Andi Lynn Scarborough, Hansford Soccer Association, Town & Country, Tong's Chinese Food, Simple Simon's, Panhandle Diner, Melonie Elliott and Annetta McIver.

We would also like to again thank all the merchants who donated items for the door prizes: Cates, Stephanie Brock, Kid's Stuff and the O'Loughlin Center. It's always amazing how generous all the merchants of Spearman are for any event. We sincerely thank you. We could not do these events without your kindness.

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Among The Neighbors

by Helen Fisher

Granville and Muriel Boyd returned recently from a relaxing trip. First they visited her aunt at Yale, OK. In honor of her 80th birthday, they took her to Branson, MO where they enjoyed the shows. All enjoyed the fall foliage in the area.

Enroute on the home trip they stopped at Springfield to visit a granddaughter, Mindi Werner, and her family.

Shirley Kimbrough is returning to her duties as Director for Hansford Home Health after several days off in order to recuperate from cataract surgery. She had surgery in Amarillo on one eye, and had the other eye operated on last fall.

Her recovery probably required additional adjustment as she discovered her meticulous house-keeping had not been up to her usual standards, and it had been unnoticed.

Dora Lee Jarvis returned late last week from a week's stay in

Pawnee, OK. She and Betty Reed of Stinnett took an elderly friend to a family funeral.

Dora Lee says the foliage enroute was so varied and colored that it can't be described.

Joyce Jennings, a former Spearman teacher, is back home as of last Monday. She had been hospitalized since September.

Her ordeal began after she had minor surgery and developed an infection after returning home. She was hospitalized here from October 4-8, then taken to Baptist St. Anthony's. She was then transferred to the Specialized Complex Care Hospital in Amarillo. This hospital provides intensive and specialized care for patients with medical conditions requiring continued hospitalization.

Joyce is pleased beyond words to be in her own home again, and will be awaiting the time she can again mount her tractor and start her farming.

She expressed gratitude to those many considerate friends who redecorated her house during her absence, and special thanks to her neighbor who looked after her pet cats and dogs.

Delinda McLaughlin flew to Kansas City the past week to attend a Creative Memory Leadership conference. Between sessions she enjoyed touring the Hallmark Museum.

Jackie Graham was taken to Baptist St. Anthony's on Thursday with a blood clot in her leg. According to her husband, Robert, she has responded to treatment. Sunday her doctor told her she could leave the hospital on Monday. However, he would need to check her on Tuesday, so she will spend the night with her daughter, Shanda Graham, who lives in Amarillo.

Linda and Keith Meddock hosted

a birthday dinner on Saturday at their home in Waka. The honorees were their daughter-in-law, Diane Close, and son Danny Close.

Guests were Roger and Diane Close, with children Brian and Ashley, all of Spearman, and Danny Close, with children Danielle and Colton, of Borger.

Spearman City Secretary Cheryl Salgado flew to Galveston on Wednesday and stayed through Friday. She attended the annual City Secretary's School and Banquet.

Cheryl has been City Secretary for 17 years, come January. She has served under three mayors and three city managers.

Cheryl states that she has enjoyed her work and associations. It has been interesting with situations constantly arising unexpectedly. The City makes every effort to be prepared, but emergencies such as tornadoes can hardly be prepared for completely.

Certainly Spearman has benefited from Cheryl's dedication and tenure.

Sympathy is expressed to the family of Larry Widener on his untimely passing.

Marie Beck might have ignored her 8th decade looming if her son Robert and wife hadn't spent a few days with her this week. They live in McKinney, Texas.

Marie was again reminded of the momentous occasion when a birthday reception was held for her on Sunday at the First State Bank Hospitality Room.

Many happy returns, old friend!

Dwayne's carefully monitored weather report for the week of November 11th through 7 a.m. on November 18th shows the high on the 17th at 72; the low was on the 16th at 31; moisture for the week was .36.

Out At The Lake

by Dorothy Hudson

Aerial photo of Lake Palo Duro taken by Terry Buschman



Lake Level--November 18, 2002--30.48 feet

The fishermen are still catching fish, but the pace is slower, and while there is an occasional one that weighs up to 15#, not many are having catches to get excited about. Several from Perryton have begun checking the fishing out.

The Lake got a mention in Gina Gillispie's letter to Dan Packard in the Amarillo Sunday paper as one of the 10 Reasons to visit Spearman. No. 8--"Lake Palo Duro is a winter nesting site of our country's bird, the Bald Eagle."

Jim said he had seen 2 mature bald eagles several times in the past week perched in the dead trees in the Lake. An immature one has been on the Gibner side. He is wondering if they have changed

last week.

Geese have not come in big numbers yet. Birds mentioned as being seen at the Lake were, belted kingfisher, scrub and blue jays, cardinals, house finches, and mountain bluebirds.

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The Gruver Grapevine

by Harletta Carthel

Teal Gains Board Approval
David Teal of Johnson City, Texas was approved by unanimous vote of the Gruver ISD Board of Trustees as Gruver Superintendent in the November 14, regular school board meeting.

Also approved at the meeting was the textbook committee for 2002-2003.

Discussion items were a report from the FFA students who attended the trip to the national convention in Louisville, Kentucky, a first reading of the Texas Association of School Board Update 69, and the possible further change in UIL classification.

Other items were a report on the Great Plains Windpower Project, the Hansford County Commissioners meeting concerning the reinvestment zone and Great Plains Windpower, and the migrant education awards recently received by GISD.

Reports on finances and revenue concluded the meeting.

Visitors present were David Teal, Annalle Teal, Megan Teal, Weston Born, Colby Red, and Timber Barkley.

Present for the meeting were trustees Jody Irwin, Terry Sherrill, Paul Stavlo, David Winger, Benny Wilson, Buddy Lowe, Jr. Mike Yanke, and Interim Superintendent Joel Lynch.

Thank You!

A big thank you to Coach Bruce Bryant who has been a tremendous help to me in covering the Hounds' football games this season.

Lance Williams and Cody Mac Been did an excellent, concentrated job on play-by-play stats for the Hounds that were a big help to the coaches and to the Reporter/Statesman.

Thank you to Pringle-Morse for honoring me with a state media

award for coverage of Pringle-Morse School. Beautiful framed plaques were delivered to me and Gary and Cathy Smith last week announcing the awards.

Get Well Wishes

Laney Lee Harper, the infant daughter of Quentin and Kelly Harper, will undergo hernia surgery Thursday, November 21.

Imogene Williams had eye surgery on Wednesday, November 20.

Beverly Dorman Bennett's doctors will reevaluate her condition in three weeks.

Eva McMillian suffered a broken shoulder.

GHS junior Carlos Borunda has missed playing in the first two basketball games of the season due to a knee injury.

Open House Well Attended

A beautiful November day with temperatures in the 70's greeted community residents attending the annual open house of Gruver merchants.

Kelly Harper was the winner of a \$50 gift certificate at Little Tiffanies. Joyce Duncan won the floral center piece at the newly-opened Petal Patch while Judy Stedje won a \$15 gift certificate, and Erin Harris, a \$20 gift certificate.

Gruver Veterans Honored

Captain Michael L. Jackson, Jr., the husband of Ann Potts Jackson and the son-in-law of Joe and Cathy Potts, was the keynote speaker at the Veterans Day Program presented by the GHS Student Council.

Vocal selections were presented by the third and fourth grade choirs, the GHS choir, and soloist

Julie May.

Veterans present for the program were Harvey Atwood, Mike Babbs, Leon Bagwell, Hugh Bell, Charles Bell, Bill Been, Leon (Corky) Chapman, Elmo Dahl, Robert Dahl, Fred Davidson, Vernon Edens, Roy Edwards, Gary Evans, Gene Fletcher, Bob Gillispie, Weldon Green, Kenneth Irwin, Archie Nelson, Joe Potts, Jesse Renteria, Gene Reynolds, Skeeze Riley, Sonny Riley, James Stedje, Gerald TeBeest, Richard Wagner, Betsy Ward, C.C. Heath, Buddy Murrell, and Lynn Stedje.

JV to Compete in Tourneys

The GHS boys junior varsity will compete in Booker November 21 and 23 with their first game at 5:15 Thursday with Booker.

They will play the Guymon Freshman team at 10:45 on Friday and Canadian at 3:45 on Saturday.

The GHS junior varsity girls will be competing in the Perryton tourney November 21-23.

Gruver will play Perryton at 9:00 a.m. on Thursday and then again that day at 5:00 p.m. or 2:20 p.m. based on the outcome.

FFA Students Attend Convention

Six Gruver FFA members and their sponsor Weston Born attended the 75th annual National FFA Convention in Louisville, Kentucky.

Students attended leadership workshops and enjoyed speakers Rick Pitino, head coach of the Louisville Cardinals and Olympic Champion Rulin Gardner as well as hypnotist Jim Wand.

Gruver students attending were Sheldon Atwood, Timber Barkley, Cesar Ortiz, Colby Red, Katie Jones, and Lori Swink.

FFA Teams Advance

Two Gruver FFA teams will advance to area competition by virtue of their placing in district competition in Clarendon on Saturday.

The advancing teams are the Ag Issues team of Teal Armes, Meagan Knight, Laina Grotegut, and Jessica Montgomery which took first place, and the Senior Quiz Team of Colby Red, Nick Slough, Ricardo Flores, and Mark TeBeest which gained second place.

Others competing were: Senior Creed Speaking - Jessica Montgomery - eighth place; the Senior Skills team of Brock Irwin, Lance Williams, Ryan Winger, and Cody Mac Been - seventh place; the Radio Broadcasting team of Teal Armes, T Jay Sherrill, and Colby Red - third place, and Job Interview - T Jay Sherrill - third place.

Competing in the junior contests were the Junior Chapter Conducting team of Matt Messer, Sheldon Atwood, Tanner Irwin, Tyler Lane, Rachelle Holt, Brad Clawson, and Reid Winger - third place; Junior Creed Speaking - Rachelle Holt - fourth place; and the Junior Quiz team - Stephen Salazar, Cesar Ortiz, Liz Lopez, and Timber Barkley -third place.

City Commission Meets

In their regular monthly meeting, Gruver City Commissioners discussed street improvements with Gruver resident Coy Winders. It was decided that another would be set with all interested parties in attendance.

The Commission also tabled a possible agreement with Texas Municipal Gas Schools to participate in the municipal gas acquisition program pending review by a lawyer.

Dismiss Early

Gruver Schools will dismiss at 12:30 p.m. Tuesday, November 26 for the Thanksgiving holiday. Classes will resume Monday, December 2.

Congratulations to Us

Gruver area residents may pat themselves on the back as the community was honored as the

tops in recycling efforts by the Panhandle Regional Planning Commission.

The award given to Gruver was based on the amount of recycling materials brought to the recycling center per capita which means Gruver collected more recyclable material per person than any other city or community in the Panhandle region.

Robert Blount, utilities director for Gruver, was pleased with the award and pointed out that Canadian has had the recycling trophy for three years while this is Gruver's second year.

Hoping to keep the trophy in Gruver and to improve our recycling efforts, residents are urged to bring paper goods such as newspapers, magazines, and catalogs as a well as cardboard and oil to the Gruver recycling center.

Reminders

Trees are still available for adoption in City Park in memory or in honor of a loved. Official lighting of the trees will be Friday, November 29 at dusk.

Gruver angels, (Gruver youths in need of clothing or toys) are still available for adoption at Main Street.

Sympathy Expressed

The community's prayers are with the Tom Rasor family. Tom's memorial service was Tuesday in the First Baptist Church.

Tom was a lot like Will Rogers - he loved all he met, and they loved him back. He was a good man, a kind man, and he made Gruver a better place.

Local Couple Honored

Val and Marlene Winger enjoy brightening the days of others. For many years, the Wingers have purchased extra tickets to the Gruver Music Club's annual Stew and Cornbread dinner and have given them to older residents, widows, or widowers of the community.

Last week the Wingers went a step further by taking two vehicles to Hansford Manor and transporting a group of lovely ladies, many wheelchair bound, to the stew dinner, and then back to the Manor.

Their efforts did not go unnoticed orun appreciated.

For the love and concern the Wingers show to our older, cherished generation, they have been named Gruver Good Guys.

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Spearman High School Sports

VARSITY LYNXETTES

SPEARMAN VS PERRYTON - NOVEMBER 12, 2002

Score by Quarters	1	2	3	4	Final
Lynxettes	1	2	3	4	40
Perryton	11	9	18	9	45

Player	FGM	FGA	3PM	3PA	FTM	FTA	PTS
Vaquera	1	3	0	0	1	2	2
Goodheart	0	2	0	0	2	2	2
Smith	0	1	0	1	1	2	1
Flowers	0	3	0	0	2	2	2
Cazares	1	5	0	0	2	4	2
Edwards	5	8	1	2	1	3	12
Gillaspie	3	11	0	0	4	7	10
Whitefield	3	8	0	2	0	1	6
Spearman	13	41	1	5	13	23	40
Perryton	16	39	1	7	12	24	45

Coach's Comments: We were excited to get to play and we needed the experience. We were ahead at the half, fewer turnovers than Perryton, but the 3rd quarter we turned it over a lot. We went from 7 down to having the ball and down by 2 pts late in the game. We will hopefully get better.

SPEARMAN VS BORGER - NOVEMBER 15, 2002

Score by Quarters	1	2	3	4	Final
Lynxettes	1	10	11	15	41
Borger	14	6	15	15	42

Player	FGM	FGA	3PM	3PA	FTM	FTA	PTS
Vaquera	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Goodheart	2	4	0	0	1	2	5
Smith	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Flowers	1	4	1	1	2	2	5
Cazares	3	3	0	0	3	4	9
Edwards	1	4	0	0	0	1	2
Gillaspie	2	5	0	0	11	18	15
Whitefield	2	5	0	0	1	4	5
Vargas	DNP						
Spearman	11	25	1	1	18	33	41
Opponents	17	46	1	7	7	14	42

Coach's Comments: We got to experience losing a game we thought we could have won. It was a hard way to learn a lesson-- but these girls should be ready to bounce back this week.

VARSITY LYNX

SPEARMAN VS PERRYTON - NOVEMBER 12, 2002

Score by Quarters	1	2	3	4	Final
Lynx	8	16	11	19	54
Perryton	6	12	13	18	49

Player	FGM	FGA	3PM	3PA	FTM	FTA	PTS
Kern	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Smith	DNP						
Beedy	7	14	2	5	3	4	19
Cherry	5	12	0	2	2	2	12
Sauer	0	2	0	1	0	0	0
Miller	DNP						
Baker	2	9	1	2	1	2	6
Vera	2	8	0	3	1	2	5
Martin	0	2	0	0	0	0	0
Hernandez	0	0	0	0	1	2	2
Sheets	2	4	0	0	2	4	6
Griffin	1	4	0	0	3	3	5
Spearman	19	55	3	13	13	19	54
Perryton	20	46	1	8	8	21	49

Coach's Comments: Our kids played very hard throughout this game. What a great effort! Borger should be a very tough opponent for Friday.

SPEARMAN VS BORGER - NOVEMBER 15, 2002

Score by Quarters	1	2	3	4	Final
Lynx	10	14	7	18	49
Borger	13	15	10	5	43

Player	FGM	FGA	3PM	3PA	FTM	FTA	PTS
Kern	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Smith	DNP						
Beedy	8	19	5	7	4	6	25
Cherry	2	5	0	2	0	2	4
Sauer	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Miller	DNP						
Baker	1	8	0	1	1	2	3
Vera	1	13	0	6	0	0	2
Martin	1	3	0	0	0	0	2
Hernandez	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sheets	2	5	0	0	2	3	6
Griffin	2	6	0	1	3	4	7
Spearman	18	61	5	17	8	15	49

BORGER

Borger	13	39	3	9	14	27	43
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Coach's Comments: Another really great effort by our kids. This team is working very hard! We have another busy week ahead. Adrian at Sunray on Tuesday then Gruver at Spearman on Friday.

JV LYNXETTES - PURPLE

SPEARMAN VS PERRYTON - NOVEMBER 12, 2002

Score by Quarters	1	2	3	4	Final
Lynxettes	1	13	3	9	31
Perryton	4	10	5	14	33

Player	FGM	FGA	3PM	3PA	FTM	FTA	PTS
Short, L	1	5	1	2	0	0	4
Cherry, J	3	8	1	2	0	0	7
Harbour, M	4	0	1	1	3	1	7
Short, J	2	9	0	1	3	6	7
Shields, T	0	2	0	0	0	0	0
Hernandez, A	0	2	0	0	1	3	1
Hart, T	4	10	0	0	3	4	11
Winegarner, A	0	2	0	0	0	0	0
Spearman	10	42	2	6	9	18	31
Opponents	12	-	0	-	9	20	33

Coach's Comments: Good Effort. A few missed defensive assignments cost us. We've got to get ready to play on Thursday.

SPEARMAN VS CHILDRESS - NOVEMBER 14, 2002

Canadian Tournament 3rd Place

Score by Quarters	1	2	3	4	Final
Lynxettes	7	13	3	10	38
Childress	3	7	4	5	19

Player	FGM	FGA	3PM	3PA	FTM	FTA	PTS
Short, L	3	8	0	0	0	0	6
Cherry	0	4	0	0	0	0	0
Harbour	2	7	1	2	3	4	8
Short, J	3	5	0	0	0	0	6
Shields	0	4	0	0	0	0	0
Hernandez	2	4	0	0	2	4	6
Hart	4	9	0	0	0	0	8
Winegarner	2	7	0	0	0	0	4
Spearman	16	48	1	2	5	8	38
Opponents	7	-	0	-	5	12	19

Coach's Comments: We were able to pressure their guards and force turnovers. We've got to do a better job of playing defense with our feet instead of our hands.

SPEARMAN VS PERRYTON - NOVEMBER 15, 2002

Score by Quarters	1	2	3	4	Final
Lynxettes	7	11	8	19	45
Perryton	10	16	15	9	50

Player	FGM	FGA	3PM	3PA	FTM	FTA	PTS
Short, L	2	10	0	0	0	0	4
Cherry	2	2	0	0	0	2	4
Harbour	0	4	0	1	2	2	2
Short, J	4	6	0	0	3	6	11
Shields	2	3	0	0	2	3	6
Hernandez	2	2	0	0	0	0	4
Hart	4	12	0	0	4	5	12
Winegarner	1	1	0	0	0	0	2

Spearman	17	40	0	4	11	18	45
Opponents	19	-	0	-	12	14	50

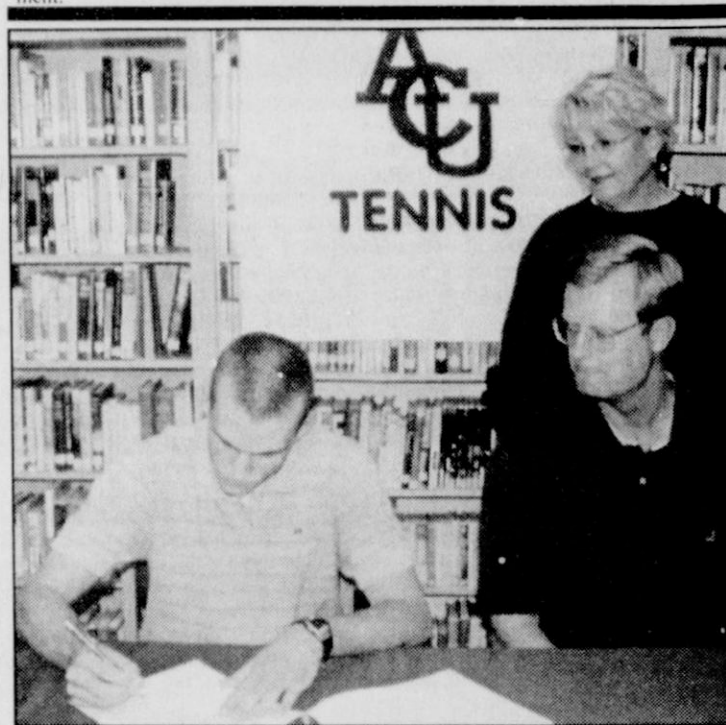
Coach's Comments: We didn't play well enough defensively to win.

SPEARMAN VS BORGER - NOVEMBER 16, 2002

Score by Quarters	1	2	3	4	Final
Lynxettes	12	19	8	8	47
Borger	14	6	7	9	36

Player	FGM	FGA	3PM	3PA	FTM	FTA	PTS
Short, L	1	3	0	0	0	0	2
Cherry	2	4	0	2	0	0	4
Harbour	4	8	1	3	6	8	15
Short, J	2	4	0	0	5	8	9
Shields	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Hernandez	4	0	0	2	2	8	1
Hart	2	5	0	0	3	4	7
Winegarner	1	3	0	0	0	0	2
Spearman	15	32	1	5	16	22	47
Opponents	12	-	1	-	11	20	36

Coach's Comments: We had some success breaking Borger's full court press. We continued passing the ball well. Half-court defense is still a weakness. The girls shot 73% from the Free Throw line in this game. Spearman finished third in the tournament.



Kevin Beedy signed a letter of intent to play tennis for Abilene Christian University on Thursday, November 21, 2002. Also pictured are Kevin's parents, Becky and Scott Beedy.

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It wasn't celebrated back then, but somehow I think Jesus would have liked Thanksgiving.

Turkey and cranberry sauce may not have been part of Jesus' diet, but giving thanks was certainly a part of his life.

Join us this Sunday as we celebrate the first "Thanksgiving" Supper

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Sunday School - 9:45 a.m.
Sunday Worship - 10:50 a.m.

SHS September Students of the Month



The Spearman High School September Students of the Month are Kevin Beedy and Jessica Crossland.

Kevin is the son of Scott and Becky Beedy.

He is a member of the National Honor Society, was the State Tennis Runner-Up in Singles in 2000, the Tennis Singles State Champion in 2001, and the Tennis State Doubles Champion in 2002. He has received the Pre-Calculus award, the Physics award, the Algebra II award, the BCIS I award, the Business Multimedia and Management award, the U.S. History award and the Chemistry Pre-AP award.

Kevin stated that the teacher who has been most influential in school is Coach Lamb. After graduation he plans to play tennis at Abilene Christian University in Abilene and major in accounting. He plans to get a CPA license.

Jessica is the daughter of Jr. and Stephanie Crossland.

She is president of the senior class, vice-president of the National Honor Society, secretary of the Student Council, and was a regional qualifier for Cross Country in 2001. She received the Art I award, the Geometry award, and the Digital Graphics/Animation award. Jessica was named the 2002 Football Homecoming Queen.

Jessica stated that the teacher who was most influential in her school years was Mr. Orr.

Following graduation she plans to attend college and major in Architecture and Civil Engineering. She also plans to earn a master's degree.

SHS October Students of the Month



The Spearman High School October Students of the Month are Kallie Smith and Adam Cherry.

Kallie is the daughter of Archie and Gayle Smith.

She has been a member of the National Honor Society for three years, is an active member of First Baptist Church Youth Group, and has participated in Hansford County 4-H for the past two years. She has been a class officer, which includes secretary/treasurer and vice-president. This past summer she attended Girls State where she served on the City's Beautification Committee.

Kallie stated that the teachers who most influenced her school years were Ms. Blankenship and Mr. Orr.

Following graduation she plans to attend Tech Tech and major in Fashion Merchandising with a minor in Business. She hopes to be a fashion buyer for a high end department store specializing in designer fashion.

Adam is the son of Bruce and Jennifer Stinson.

He is a member of the National Honor Society, was a Regional Qualifier in Cross Country in 2000, 2001 and 2002, was a Regional Qualifier in 2000, 2001 and 2002, and was the Regional and State Tennis Doubles Champion in 2002. He received the World History award, the World Geography award and the English III-AP award.

Adam stated that the teacher who has been most influential in school is Ms. Blankenship.

After graduation he plans to attend Texas Tech University and major in education. He hopes to receive a major in physical education and find a career in teaching and coaching.

Lady Hounds Win Two, Hounds Drop Two in Early Going

Lady Hounds 59, Fritch 39
The Lady Hounds took it to the Lady Eagles of Fritch in the first quarter and never looked back.

Teal Armes - 7, Christi Clift 7, Amy Watley 6, Brandi Griffin - 11, Blythe Finley 6, Lisa Johnson 17, Cassie Myatt 5.

Lady Hounds 61, Claude 25

The Lady Hounds had little difficulty notching their second win of the season as they encountered the Claude Lady Mustang on Friday night.

Armes - 10, Clift 6, Watley 8, Grotegut 4, Griffin - 9, Finley 6, Johnson - 8, Sherrill - 2, Myatt - 8.

Hounds 33, Fritch 45
While the towering Fritch Eagles

took an early lead over the Greyhounds, the stubborn Hounds tied the game at 1:08 in the third quarter and went on to make the make the Eagles earn every point.

Hunter Bevill -1, Brock Irwin - 2, Salvador Luciano - 3, Aaron Boyd 2, Cass Cooper - 6, Lance Williams -2, Hutch Reed -4, Cody Mac Been - 10, David Puebla -1, Ryan Winger -2.

Hounds 45, Claude 61

Height under the basket and speed on the court gave Claude a win over the Hounds Friday night.

Winger - 6, Irwin - 3, Stewart -4, Luciano -2, Boyd -6, Cooper -8, Williams -3, Been - 11, Perez - 2.

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Meetings & Minutes

Spearman Chamber of Commerce

The Spearman Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors met at noon on Thursday, November 14, 2002 at the Palo Duro Cafe. Members present were Sharon Cook, Robert Patrick, Missie Bates, Mark Murray, Kevin McDonald, Rosalee Bueno and Gina Gillispie. Absent were Lenny Pecha, Rod Sumner, Justin Boyd, Cindy Scribner, Cindy Blackman, Frosty Hickerson, Tindle Ramon and Rosi Martinez.

Minutes of the previous meeting were approved.

The Retail Merchants Association discussed the Stuff Your Stocking promotion.

A new monitor was purchased from North Texas Information Systems and installed.

The nominating committee presented the new slate of officers to be approved by the chamber membership. There was some discussion on procedure of selection. Forms will be sent out to the chamber membership.

Spearman-opoly was discussed. It was decided to advertise that the games are available for Christmas gifts.

The board discussed the idea of sponsoring Seth Davidson for a lunch meeting and a power point presentation on a marketing strate-

gy and long-term goals for Spearman as a community. Necessary contacts will be made and a tentative date is scheduled for December 9th.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Gladiola Flower Club

The Gladiola Flower Club had their annual Thanksgiving Social on November 14, 2002, at 6 p.m. in the Hospitality Room of First State Bank. The host committee consisted of Ann Flowers, Virginia Trindle and Verna Brown.

The blessing was given by Doyle Jackson. Following the delicious meal, all those attending enjoyed a game of Crazy Bridge.

Those in attendance were: Dickie Allen, Verna Brown, Wanda Brown, Dorothy Buzzard, Betty Jean and Irvin Davis, Margarette and Kenne... Evans, Ann and Roy Flowers, Estelle Jackson, June and Doyle Jackson, Lorene Kunselman, Norma Jean Mackie, Eloise Renner, Pam and Clay Schnell, Gwen Smith, Kathleen Sutton, Virginia and John Trindle, and Judy and Eugene Yarbrough.

We will be closed on Thursday,
November 28th in observance of the

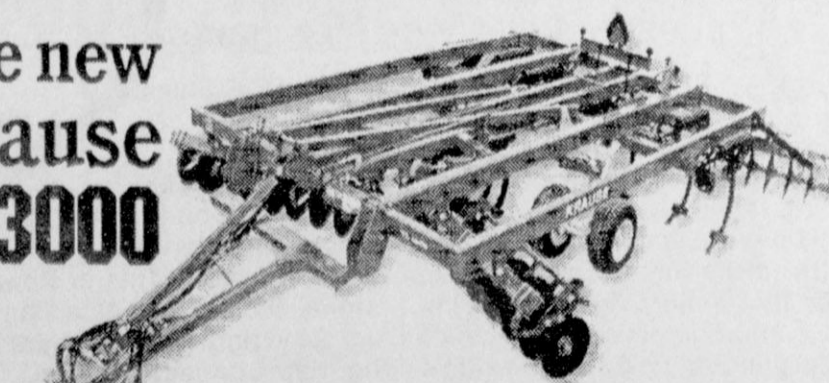


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FOR RENT: 1BR apartment. Call 659-3260. TFN(8-8-02)B

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LEGAL NOTICE

CITATION BY PUBLICATION THE STATE OF TEXAS
TO: SERGIO GARCIA, Individually and MARIA LUISA DARTE, Individually - Respondent GREETINGS:
YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED TO APPEAR by filing a written answer to the Plaintiff's Petition at or before ten o'clock a.m. of the first Monday after the expiration of forty-two days from the date of the issuance of this citation, same being Monday the 18th day of DECEMBER, 2002, before the Honorable 84th Judicial District Court, of Hansford County, at the Courthouse in said County in Spearman, Texas. Said Plaintiff's Petition was filed in said court, on the 18th day of JULY, 2002, in cause 4571 and styled,
PETE HERRERA - Plaintiff
Vs.
SERGIO GARCIA, Individually, and MARIA LUISA DARTE, Individually - Defendants

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: See PLAINTIFF'S ORIGINAL PETITION as is more fully shown by Plaintiff's Petition on file in this suit. The name and address of the attorney for the Plaintiff is: CECIL R. BIGGERS, PO BOX 342, SPEARMAN, TX 79081. The officer executing this process shall promptly execute the same according to law, and make due return as the law directs. Issued and given under my hand and the Seal of said Court, at office in Spearman, Texas, this 6th day of NOVEMBER, 2002.
Kim V. Vera, District Clerk
84th Judicial District Court
Hansford County, Texas
4(11-14-02)B

LEGAL NOTICE

Hansford County Commissioners' Court will receive sealed bids until 4 p.m. on Friday, November 22, 2002 on the following insurance policies: COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY, AUTOMOBILE LIABILITY, PUBLIC OFFICIALS' LIABILITY, LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS' LIABILITY, INSURANCE ON COUNTY COURTHOUSE, COUNTY AG BARN IN SPEARMAN AND IN GRUVER, MAINTENANCE BARN IN SPEARMAN and WORKER'S COMP. to be effective on January 1, 2003. Bids will be for one year. Bids should be sent to Hansford County Judge, PO Box 367, Spearman, Texas 79081-0367 or taken to the office of the County Judge at the Hansford County Courthouse, Spearman, Texas and should be marked "Insurance Bids" on the outside of the envelope. Bids will be opened during Commissioners Court on Monday, November 25, 2002 and will be awarded at the regular meeting to be held Monday, December 9, 2002. The Court reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids.
Jim D. Brown
Hansford County Judge
3(11-7-02)B

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Jacobs Wind Plant Generator Added To Blodgett Park

Spearman now has side-by-side examples of mid-twentieth century technology with the raising last week of the Jacobs Wind Plant in the Blodgett Park east of the high school.

The wind plant joins an Aermotor windmill raised earlier in the park. As everyone knows, the windmill used wind to pump water and that technology is still in use today, but the wind plants which generated electricity for isolated locations such as farms and ranches has been mostly replaced by miles and miles of transmission lines that bring electricity from huge plants in centralized locations.

The three bladed Jacobs Wind Plant will generate 3600 watts at maximum speed or simply put, enough energy to light 36 one hundred watt bulbs or to modestly light and electricity a home and power a few small appliances. The wind plant begins generating in a 7 mile per hour wind and is centrifugally governed to reach maximum output at a speed of 225 revolutions per minute in a 27 mile per hour wind.

One unique aspect of this wind plant is that it is sending electricity to Xcel's system when the energy requirement from the park is less than the electricity currently being generated by the Jacobs. There is a meter on the wind plant's control panel that shows the total output of the windplant from the start of operation.

The wind plant is not now generating electricity as of this writing pending arrival of a minor part from the rebuild.

Mike Huffaker and Cody Thoms of Transpetco spearheaded local efforts in getting the generator here, assembling it and getting it ready to raise. All members of The Amalgamated Windmill Workers Union and Robert Patrick were instrumental to the success of the project. Assisting with the actual raising were Robert Reed, J. D. Wilbanks, Orville Latham, Burl Buchanan, Ron Willis, and Don Maize. Rick Cazares furnished with Jim Tope's assistance, the equipment to actually raise the generator into position.

Plaques have been received and will be put up at the wind plant next week. The plaques read: This Jacobs Wind Plant was originally purchased by Wallace A. Stanberry directly from Marcellus Jacobs in 1975. Mr. Stanberry generously donated the wind plant to the City of Spearman for the Windmill Park collection. The City of Spearman in conjunction with Texas Parks and Wildlife provided funds for the wind plant's refurbishment and installation.

This type of wind powered electricity generating plant was common on the high plains before the Rural Electrification Administration (REA) made electric utilities available in rural areas. Typical installation included a set of glass batteries that were kept charged by the wind plant, which then ran the few electric appliances homeowners used. Typical home electrical needs usually only consisted of a few light bulbs and possibly a radio although Jacobs made available refrigerators and even freezers - if one was fortunate enough to afford such a luxury.

Marcellus Jacobs is considered the father of wind generated electricity systems. He began producing and selling wind plants in the early 1930's and sold thousands of his rugged systems to farmers and

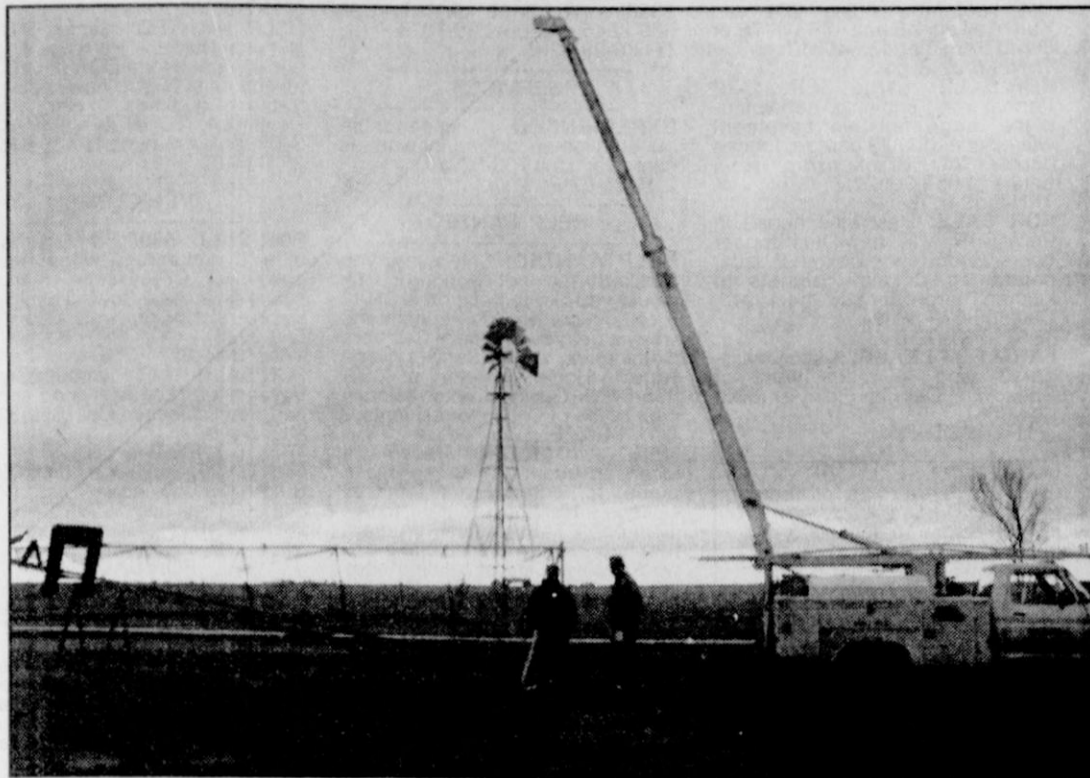
ranchers in the US and around the world through the 1950's. His wind plants are considered to be the premier small wind powered electricity generators. Admiral Richard E. Byrd installed a Jacobs Wind Plant at the South Pole in 1933, which was still functioning in 1955. However, the blades were about to come in contact with ice that had built up under the tower over so many years so the wind plant was removed and is now in The Smithsonian Institution. Mr. Jacobs also devised and patented the first cathodic protection system in 1933.

Wallace A. Stanberry is recognized as one of the primary pioneers in CO2 Enhanced Oil Recovery. He and three of his partners along with Dobie Keith (of the famous Manhattan Project) conducted the first test to prove that CO2 could act as a solvent and viscosity reducer in an active oil-producing field. It was obviously successful and the technology ultimately migrated to West Texas in the 1970's where it has provided an

additional 1 billion barrels of oil. All five men were awarded the Energy Award for Technology by Hearst Publications in 1997. Mr. Stanberry's operations through Transpetco in Hansford County have contributed greatly to the local economy and provided employment opportunities to the community.

(Photo Below) Cody Thoms looks on as Ron Willis and Don Maize assemble the blades to the generator.

(Photo at Right) Rick Cazares of Panhandle Water Well and Jim Tope provided the equipment needed to raise the generator into position.



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