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County Insurance To Pay Tulia Plaintiffs

by Harletta Carthel

In an effort to save taxpayer money, Hansford County Commissioners voted April 13, to pay their part in the Tulia Drug Bust settlement rather than seek legal recourse.

Hansford County will pay \$30,000, all of which will come from the county's insurance with Texas Association of Counties (TAC).

Although there is a question whether Hansford County was a part of the Panhandle Regional Narcotics Trafficking Task Force (PRNTTF), when controversial undercover agent Tom Coleman was working in the Tulia area, pursuing the matter in the legal system would have been very costly for the county, according to Benny Wilson, Hansford County Judge.

"Although Charlotte Bingham, attorney for the Task Force Defense, told us we had every right to pursue the question of our status in the PRNTTF, it would have been very expensive for our county to legally pursue the issue," Wilson said. "We didn't like it, but we thought it was better to cut our losses."

Since the county has already met the TAC's deductible of \$2500.00 through earlier legal fees, the \$30,000 will be paid by the insurance company without any additional expense to the county.

"We could have fought more, but it would have cost us, and we elected to save tax payer money," Wilson said.

The payment does not indicate guilt on the part of the county.

In the special meeting of the County Commissioners Court of April 13, all four commissioners voted for the motion which stated "Hansford County will

not assert any claims against claimants in the Tulia litigation."

Voting aye were Butch Reed, Pct. 1 Comm.; Joe T. Venneman, Pct. 2 Comm. Pct.; Tim Stedje, Pct. 2 Comm.; and Danny Henson, Pct. 4 Comm.

Hansford County withdrew from PRNTTF on June 1, 1999, (the end of the fiscal year for the entity), which was the same day agent Coleman was hired. The county did not rejoin the task force until on or about November 9, 1999, several months after the Tulia drug bust of July 23, 1999.

Sheriff R.L. McFarlin stated that the decision to drop out of the task force was the lack of benefit Hansford County derived from the association.

"I had continually asked for their help to get an undercover agent to come in the county, but was never able to get one," McFarlin said.

McFarlin also noted that all drug arrests in the county had come through local law enforcement.

According to Judge Wilson, the sum of \$30,000 was never mentioned in the special meeting of April 13th. The sum was listed in a front page story of the individual counties payment in the Tulia litigation Saturday, April 17, in the Saturday April 17, Amarillo Globe-News.

In the same edition of the Globe-News carried the story of the arrests in recent weeks of two of the 46 Tulia plaintiffs on drug possession charges.

Editor's Note: R.L. McFarlin has served as Sheriff of Hansford County since 1973. He became a deputy in Hansford County in 1967. McFarlin will retire at the end of his term in December of this year.

SHS One-Act Play Advances To Regional Competition

On Thursday, April 8, 2004, Spearman High School received the Area One-Act Play award, advancing to the Regional One-Act Play competition for the first time in over thirty years.

The cast and crew of "The Terezin Promise," under the direction of Tony Sidwell, was selected as one of two productions to advance to the Regional competition to be held on Friday, April 23rd in Abilene. Nocona High School was also selected to advance.

Receiving honors at Area were Cristal Alvarado, who was named Best Actress, Michel Huffaker was selected to the All-Star Cast and Michael Lozano received honorable mention.

The play is about the liberation of the Terezin concentration camp, and the Nazis are in retreat, desperate to destroy evidence of their crimes. While some prisoners escape, hidden in the confusion of the retreat, Raja Englanderova remains to keep a promise she made to their teacher, Irena: she will not leave without the drawings and poems of the Terezin children.

She convinces her friends and Hanus, the leader of the boys' group, that they must find the buried bundles and hidden suitcases before the Nazis destroy the camp and them with it.

Their search is ended by a wounded Nazi soldier who finds them in the attic and threatens them with his weapon.

Across the room the Hitler youth and the youth of Terezin challenge each other for survival - the soldier wants to save



The cast and crew of "The Terezin Promise" - (Back, L-R) Russell Sheets, Bryn Garnett, Josh Chambers, Jarick Howard, Keifer Sumner, Josh Derington, Lance Huddleston, Homer Martinez, Collin Gillaspie and Director Tony Sidwell; (Middle, L-R) Nicole Worley, Timberly Thomas, Ashlee Flowers, Dana McLaughlin, Michel Huffaker, Cristal Alvarado, K'Lee Ratzlaff, Adriana Mendoza and Rossilyn Bulls; (Front, L-R) Michael Lozano, Ryan Ramon, Brandon Nava, Chris Cudd, and Linzi McCubbin

his honor and go home; Hanus wants to revenge years of hunger, slavery and humiliation. Raja wants to keep the promise - save the drawings and poems and take them to Prague.

In the end, strengthened by Irena's lessons of healing and hope, they leave revenge and anger in the past. With the survival of the Terezin children safe in two large battered suitcases, they walk out through the gates of Terezin toward Prague.

free - and hopeful.

The cast is composed of Cristal Alvarado as Raja, Michel Huffaker as Irena, Dana McLaughlin as Eva/Child, Linzi McCubbin as Helga/Child, Michael Lozano as Hanus/Child, Collin Gillaspie as Petr/Child, Jarick Howard as Rudi/Child and Joshua Chambers as Nicholas/Child.

Ryan Ramon, Adriana Mendoza, Timberly Thomas and Rossilyn Bulls are Young

Children/Ensemble and Lance Huddleston, Joshua Derington and Chris Cudd are Camp Guards/Nazi Soldiers.

Stage crew members include Ashlee Flowers (stage director), Homer Martinez (computer graphics), Russell Sheets (sound) and Emily Longoria (lights). Alternates are Brandon Nava, K'Lee Ratzlaff, Keith Sumner, Nicole Worley, Russell Sheets and Bryn Garnett.

Economic Workshop Designed for Cow-Calf Producers

by Tim W. McAlavy

Drought, record cattle prices and a national "Mad Cow" scare made 2003 an interesting year to say the least for cow-calf producers. To survive in this environment, cow-calf producers need to know how their operations are performing, from a production standpoint and from a financial standpoint, said a Texas Cooperative Extension economist.

Cow-calf producers can learn how to gauge their operation's economic health at a May 5 Standardized Performance Analysis workshop at the Texas A&M Research and Extension Center here.

"The goal of this workshop is to help cow-calf operators determine their current financial and production benchmarks," said Stan Bevers, Extension economist based at Vernon. "This is a working workshop. We will help participants generate and complete their own performance analysis."

The workshop begins at 8:30 a.m. Registration costs \$100 per

ranch or operation, and includes educational materials, software, lunch and refreshments.

"A standardized performance analysis lets ranchers compare their operation's performance between years, to that of other operations, by production region and across production systems," Bevers added. "This workshop will enable ranchers to complete an analysis for their 2003 calf crop."

"Those who register will receive all the forms they need to organize their production and financial data before the workshop. All of this data remains confidential. We will provide an assistant and a computer to help each participant and meet with each one individually to interpret the results of their analysis."

"It is important to register early, so we can advise you on how to organize the data necessary for a good analysis," Bevers said.

To register or to obtain more information, contact Bevers at (940) 552-9941.

"The Living Soil" Theme for 2004 Stewardship Week

While most of us seldom come in daily contact with soil, we all depend on soil for our daily survival, according to organizers of the 2004 Soil and Water Stewardship Week observance, set for April 25 - May 2. "In generation after generation, it is important to bring attention back to the central theme - the living soil sustains all life on earth," said Willard S. McCloy, chairperson of the Hansford Soil and Water Conservation District. "Without the soil, nothing lives. Our conservation district works to protect healthy soils that in turn support a healthy environment, and healthy environments support healthy life," he added.

Modern farmers and ranchers who practice soil conservation are doing their part to keep the living soil alive. Lessons from the past, such as the catastrophic "Dust Bowl" of the 1930s, have shown what can happen when the topsoil is not protected from wind and water erosion. Today, private land managers employ a host of conservation practices, such as minimum tillage, to protect the topsoil that feeds the nation.

Soil health becomes more important when you learn that millions of beneficial organisms are going through their daily



Soil and Water Conservation District Board of Directors Mike Garnett, Arnie Stork, James Dunning, Keith Lamb and Willard McCloy look on as Hansford County Judge Benny Wilson signs a proclamation for "Soil and Water Stewardship Week."

routine of eating, breathing, living, and dying in the soil. One cup of fertile soil may contain as many bacteria as there are people on Earth. In one acre—an area about the size of a football

field—there may be a ton or more of microscopic bacteria. That's equal to the weight of two full-grown cows!

We eat the food, drink the water, breath the air, and enjoy the views, but only a few of us walk the fields and forests on a regular basis and understand what those lands need from us in order to sustain the living soil. However, the local district has suggested three things each of us can do in our own backyards to be better stewards of

our soil resources:

1. Protect the soil from wind or water erosion by keeping healthy plants growing on the surface.
2. Restore and maintain organic matter in the soil, such as grass clippings or tree leaves (compost).
3. Protect soil life by using the least amounts and least toxic materials to control pest problems.

Proclamation

"Soil and Water Stewardship Week" April 25-May 2, 2004

The well being of our people depends on the production of ample supplies of food, fiber and other products of soil.

The quality and quantity of these products depends upon the conservation, wise use and proper management of soil and water resources.

It is the concern and responsibility of every person to see that soil resources be conserved and managed properly and water quality and quantity be maintained to assure the welfare of all citizens.

Soil and water conservation districts provide a practical and democratic organization through which landowners are taking the initiative to properly use and protect these resources.

Soil and water conservation districts are sponsoring Soil and Water Stewardship Week as a commitment to protecting our renewable resources.

Therefore, I, Benny Wilson, County Judge of Hansford County, in full appreciation of the value of our soil, water and wildlife resources, and desiring to honor those who protect those resources, do hereby proclaim April 25 through May 2, 2004 as Soil and Water Stewardship Week in Hansford County, Texas.

In official recognition whereof, I hereby affix my signature this 16th day of April, 2004.

Benny Wilson
Hansford County Judge

Drug Charges Filed Following Traffic Stop

by Harletta Carthel

Two Spearman residents were arrested and charged with possession of a controlled substance during a traffic stop late Saturday afternoon.

According to Pete Ochoa, Hansford County Chief Deputy, the two were stopped three miles south of Spearman on Highway 207.

"The stop was made due to erratic driving," Ochoa said. "The drug charge came as a result of the stop."

Marsha Duby 31, and Ramon Chavez, 39, were charged with possession of a controlled substance with their bond set at \$10,000 each.

Members of the Spearman Police Force assisted Ochoa in the arrests.

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A Mothers Day Gift of Love

Show that special mother or grandmother how much they're loved with greetings and a picture of their children or grandchildren to run in the May 6th issue of the Hansford County Reporter-Statesman.

It's the perfect gift and is guaranteed to fill any mother or grandmother with pride.

The cost is \$15 per picture (must be pre-paid). Pictures that require a larger space will be slightly higher.

Bring your pictures and greeting to the Reporter-Statesman office during business hours (we are closed on Friday).

Live, Laugh & Love



by Catherine R. Smith
cathysmith@antden.com

My friend Sheri Benton sent me the following e-mail entitled "You know you're living in 2004 when..." (If you have e-mail you will especially relate to 14 & 15.) I hope you enjoy it.

You know you're living in 2004 when...

You know you're living in 2004 when...

1. You accidentally enter your password on the microwave.
2. You haven't played solitaire with real cards in years.
3. You have a list of 15 phone numbers to reach your family of 3.
4. You e-mail the person who works at the desk next to you.
5. Your reason for not staying in touch with friends is that they don't have e-mail addresses.
6. When you go home after a long day at work you still answer the phone in a business manner.
7. When you make phone calls from home, you accidentally dial "9" to get an outside line.
8. You've sat at the same desk for four years and worked for three different companies.
10. You learn about your redundancy on the 11 o'clock news.
11. Your boss doesn't have the ability to do your job.
12. Contractors outnumber permanent staff and are more likely to get long-service awards.

AND.....

13. You read this entire list, and kept nodding and smiling.
14. As you read this list, you think about forwarding it to your "friends."
15. You got this email from a friend that never talks to you anymore, except to send you jokes from the net
16. You are too busy to notice there was no #9.
17. You actually looked to check that there wasn't a #9..

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 :)

Letter To The Editor

Dear Editor,
How do you say Thank You to a newspaper? I have been pondering this question for far too long now.
I just want the public to know some of the things that you do for us. You wait on me past deadlines sometimes. You put in pictures that I think are very important. You donate your time and resources for the advancement of the community in many, many ways.
Recently, you were an invaluable help putting together the "Olympics" page for the Manor as well as working with us to make it happen.
I truly appreciate your spirit of community and your generosity. We are very blessed to have you and hope to keep you for a very, very long time. Thank you Cathy & Gary Smith and Harletta Carthel - you do an excellent job.
Merry Sparks
Activity Director, Hansford Manor

Editors Note...

Freedom of speech is one of the guarantees of the First Amendment of our Constitution, so we encourage readers to express themselves, even if we don't agree with what is said. However, freedom involves responsibility. Therefore, the only letters we will consider publishing are from individuals who are willing for their names to appear with the letter. Letters must contain the telephone number, address and a personal signature of the writer. We will not knowingly publish any letter containing libelous statements.
In the event that numerous letters are received concerning the same subject, letters can be limited to one pro and one con letter per publication. Eligible letters will be published in the order in which they were received.
"Letters To The Editor," like all materials submitted to this newspaper, are subject to editing for space and clarity. The publication of any letter or article is the decision of the Editor and Publisher. Deadline for all news, as well as "Letters To The Editor," is 5 p.m. on Monday.
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EMT-BASIC CLASS BY H&S EMS

H&S EMS will be putting on an EMT-Basic Class starting in mid-May 2004. Classes will be Mon. & Wed. from 6-10 p.m. Spearman Fire & EMS Station, 513 S. Hazelwood, Spearman.

If you have ever considered being an "EMS Volunteer" for your community, call for information about our EMT-Basic Class, 659-5511. Jay Lamb or any service member will be available to answer your questions.

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Spring Hours

MurMur's has gone back to their spring hours.

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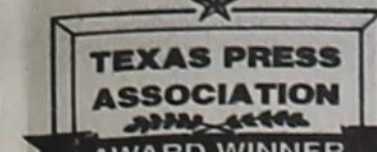
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HANSFORD HAPPENINGS

AARP Offers Free Tax Help

AARP Tax-Aide is in Spearman at the Hansford County Library, 122 Main Street, every Tuesday from 1-5 p.m. AARP Tax-Aide is a free, quality and confidential service that prepares tax returns and answers tax questions through April 9th. Services are available to all taxpayers with middle- to low-income, with special attention to those age 60 and older. It is administered through the AARP Foundation, in cooperation with the IRS. For more information, please call Richard Gaines at 659-2853.

Breast Cancer Screening Clinic

The Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer Center Comprehensive Breast Center will conduct a Breast Cancer Screening Clinic at Hansford County Hospital, 707 S. Roland, in Spearman on April 29, 2004. Breast cancer affects one in eight women. The key to winning the battle against cancer is early detection by having an annual breast exam, mammogram and performing a breast self-exam each month. Funding is available through the Texas Department of Health for Texas residents who qualify for assistance. All exams are done by appointment only. Call (806) 356-1905 or 1-800-377-4673 for more information or to schedule an appointment.

Reyna Ruiz Scholarship Fund

A scholarship fund has been established for Reyna Ruiz through the Sacred Heart Catholic Church. Donations may be mailed to: Sacred Heart Catholic Church, Ruiz Scholarship Fund, PO Box 127, Spearman, TX 79081. Reyna is the daughter of Elva Ruiz and the late Gerardo Ruiz of Spearman.

Medical Fund Established for Melissa (Robinson) Vasquez

A medical fund has been established at First State Bank for Melissa (Robinson) Vasquez. Donations may be sent to First State Bank, Melissa Vasquez Fund, 1 NE Court, Spearman, TX 79081.

Hearts of Gold Gala

The Hansford Division Board of Directors for the American Heart Association will host the Hearts of Gold Gala on Friday, April 23, 2004 at the O'Loughlin Center in Spearman. This year's benefit will be in honor of Lloyd and Dorothy Buzzard. The evening begins at 6:15 p.m. with the silent auction, featuring an assortment of heart-felt items from generous local merchants. Savor a feast prepared by the Williams Family and served by a wealth of local celebrities at 7 p.m. The generous, life-saving contributions of Lloyd and Dorothy Buzzard will be shared at 8 p.m. A live auction will be held at 8:15 p.m. Tickets are \$25 each and may be purchased from any of the following board members: Kay Hobbs, Patricia Bratton, Sharron Swan, Amy Babbs, Missie Bates, Carolyn Cummings, Peggy Frick, Darlene Pierce, Margaret Ralston, Penny Ralston, Anita Sumner or Anna Beth Wood.

Project Graduation

The parents of the Senior Class of 2004 will sponsor and host a "Project Graduation Party" following commencement exercises on Friday, May 28th. To encourage the graduates to stay the entire night, door prizes are awarded throughout the evening. In addition, graduates can earn paper monies through their participation in various games so that prizes can be purchased. The graduation party will culminate with the distribution of grand prizes. Prizes, gift certificates, and cash are needed for the evening's gifts. If you, the community, who supported and encouraged these seniors these past 13 years of school, would be willing to share in this final "Class of 2004" memory, making this project "special," please call Nikki Lozano at 659-2568 or 659-3964; or Charlotte Sheets at 659-2971. Thank you, in advance, for your support!

Volleyball Tournament Slated

A volleyball tournament has been scheduled to raise funds for Gruver athlete Blythe Finely to attend the Down Under Games in Australia this summer. The tournament will be held April 9 and 10 at the sand volleyball court in Gruver City Park. Bragging rights and prizes will be given to winning teams. To register your team call 733-2702 or 806-683-4551. Cost is \$10 per person.

2nd Annual Maria Avila Cinco de Mayo Celebration

The 2nd Annual Maria Avila Cinco de Mayo Celebration is scheduled for Saturday, May 1, 2004. Activities will be held on main street from 10 a.m. to midnight, with the street dance ending festivities for the day. A presentation dance will be held on April 17th at Palo Duro Lake. Booth space is available for free, and may be reserved by contacting the Spearman Chamber of Commerce at 659-5555.

Cinco de Mayo Queen/King Contest

The 2nd Annual Cinco de Mayo Queen and King Contest will be held in conjunction with the 2nd Annual Maria Avila Cinco de Mayo Celebration on Saturday, May 1, 2004. Contestants must be 15-20 years of age by May 1, 2004, and be unmarried with no children. They will sell votes for \$1 each and are encouraged to be creative in their efforts for fundraising. Votes will be turned to the Chamber of Commerce each Monday by 4 p.m. The Chamber will calculate the votes and keep a detailed computer log for each candidate. Sponsoring businesses will agree to pay the \$50 entry fee and have the option of furnishing the contestant's clothing. The entry deadline is Thursday, April 15th at 5 p.m. Applications are available at the Spearman Chamber of Commerce Office, 211 Main Street. For more information, call 659-5555.

"Happy Mother's Day" Stamp Cancellation

The Spearman Post Office will have a special "Happy Mother's Day" stamp cancellation on Tuesday, May 4th. Everyone is encouraged to mail their Mother's Day cards on this day to receive the special cancellation, and to ensure delivery by Mother's Day. The Spearman Post Office also has several Mother's Day items for sale, and will hold drawings for free gifts throughout the day. For more information, call 659-3313.

Benefit Volleyball Tournament

A volleyball tournament to raise funds for Gruver athlete Blythe Finely to attend the Down Under Games in Australia this summer is slated for April 9 and 10 at the sand volleyball court in Gruver City Park. Prizes will be given to winning teams. To register your team, call 733-2702 or 806-683-4551. Cost is \$10 per person.

Miss Hansford Scholarship Pageant

The Women's Division of the Spearman Chamber of Commerce will host "An Enchanted Evening" Miss Hansford Scholarship Pageant on June 8, 2004 at 7 p.m. Age divisions are: Little Miss (4-6), Jr. Miss (7-9), Preteen (10-12), Teen (13-16) and Miss Hansford (17-21). Entry forms are available at the Spearman Chamber of Commerce Office, Lady Fair, Kid's Stuff, Dreamer's and at Main Street in Gruver. The deadline for entries is May 7, 2004. For more information, contact Jodie Hight at 659-3720.

Gruver Flea Market

A flea market is slated for Saturday, May 22, in Gruver City Park, according to Lisa Salmans, Gruver Chamber of Commerce Director. Food booths, garage sale items, antiques, crafts, and fun booths such as face painting are some of the ideas Gruver Chamber members hope to incorporate in the event. Booths at the flea market will be \$10 for an 8' by 10' space. Interested individuals or groups may reserve a space by contacting Salmans, 733-2861, after 5 p.m. or director Holly McLain, 733-5040 from 10 a.m. - 6 p.m. on weekdays or 10 a.m. - 1 p.m. on Saturdays.

Memorial Day Wreaths

Orders are now being taken for Memorial Day Wreaths to be made by the Golden Spread Senior Citizens. Please place your orders as soon as possible as supplies are limited and time is of the essence. For more information, contact Kathy Bryant at 659-3030, or stop by the Sr. Citizens Center at 502 South Brandt in Spearman.

Cinco de Mayo Celebration Salsa Contest

The Women's Division of the Spearman Chamber of Commerce is sponsoring a Salsa Contest on May 1, 2004 in conjunction with the Cinco de Mayo Celebration. Entries are \$5 each, and must be at Spearman City Hall by 11 a.m. on the 1st. There will be three categories (Mild, Medium and Hot) and three prizes awarded in each category (1st - \$25 Hansford Bucks, 2nd - \$15 Hansford Bucks, 3rd - \$10 Hansford Bucks). For more information, call the Chamber of Commerce at 659-5555.

Panhandle Crisis Center Outreach Office

Panhandle Crisis Center (PCC) now has an Outreach Office in the Pittman-Shieldknight Building, 511 SW 11th Avenue, Suite 105, 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.

You're Never Alone - Narcotics Anonymous Group

Open meetings will be held on Thursday night from 8-9 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.

Scooter Safety Class



May 8, 2004
1:00 PM ~ 4:00 PM

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DONALD FLOYD COULTER

PERRYTON - Donald Floyd Coulter, 51, died Sunday, April 18, 2004.

Memorial services were at 2 p.m. Wednesday, April 21, 2004 in Full Gospel Church with the Rev. Dr. Jeff Knighton officiating. The remains will be scattered over Taos Ski Valley. Arrangements were by Boxwell Brothers Funeral Home.

Mr. Coulter was born on January 12, 1953 in Wichita Falls, TX. He had lived in the area since 1969, moving from Amarillo.

Mr. Coulter was a salesman for B.J. Services. He was an avid golfer and skier. He attended the First Christian Church of Perryton, was a former Jaycee and was a member of the Elks Lodge. He was an active member of the community.

Survivors include his parents, Don and Laverne Coulter of Wichita Falls and Maggie Coulter of Perryton; two daughters, Ashley Ford of Spearman and Suzanne Coulter of Amarillo; a brother, Danny Coulter of Marble Falls; two sisters, Terri Suito and Sheri Gorman, both of Perryton; two grandsons, a nephew; five nieces; and two great-nephews.

The family suggests memorials be to American Heart Association in care of Ochiltree General Hospital, 3101 Garrett Drive, Perryton, TX 79070; or American Diabetes Association, 8008 Slide Road, Lubbock, TX 79424.

TOMMIE JACK BRUCE

SPEARMAN - Tommie Jack Bruce, 68, died Wednesday, April 14, 2004.

Memorial services will be held at a later date. Arrangements are by Boxwell Brothers Funeral Home.

Mr. Bruce was a lifetime resident of Spearman. He was born October 21, 1935, in Waka. He was a member of the volunteer fire department for many years. He and his father owned and operated Bruce Motors for a number of years also.

He was living in Rowlett in an assisted living facility before his untimely death. He suffered a massive stroke.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Tommy and Mary Bruce.

Survivors include a sister, Virginia Pio of Hardesty, OK; two daughters, Donna K. Fitzgerald of Rowlett and Dana C. Braun of Charlotte, NC; three grandchildren; and a great-grandson.

The family suggests memorials be to Hansford Hospice, 707 Roland St., Spearman, TX 79081 or to Spearhead Group, (Alcoholics Anonymous, a non-profit organization) in Tommie Jack Bruce's name, in care of First State Bank, Attention: Vana Reed, Spearman, TX 79081.

Property Tax Information Available

Alice Peddy, chief appraiser for the Hansford County Appraisal District, offers property owners a 2003 pamphlet called Texas Property Taxes: Taxpayers' Rights, Remedies & Responsibilities to help them save on their property taxes.

Published by the Texas Comptroller's office, the Remedies pamphlet explains how the property tax system in Texas works and tells property owners about possible tax savings.

Peddy noted that the pamphlet applies to property taxes collected by all types of taxing units: counties, cities, school districts and special districts (such as municipal utility, junior college, and hospital districts).

"Homeowners may file for various property tax exemptions offered by taxing units on residence homesteads," Peddy said. In Texas, a homestead is generally the house and yard used as the owner's principal residence. The pamphlet explains each exemption and how to apply for it.

For example, all homeowners who owned and lived in their homes on January 1 may file for a \$15,000 general exemption from their principal home's value for school taxes. In addition, certain disabled homeowners and those aged 65 or older may qualify for an additional \$10,000 exemption from the value of their homes.

"A tax freeze, or ceiling, for school taxes is a benefit for homeowners once they become 65 years old," Peddy said. "State law provides that homeowners who turn 65 may apply during the year, rather than waiting until the next January 1."

"An elderly homeowner's taxes that pay for public schools cannot increase above the total school tax amount on that home in the first year that the homeowner receives the over-65 homeowner exemption," Peddy continued. "But, it may increase if the homeowner improves or adds to the house, such as adding a room or patio."

The law provides an additional school tax benefit for certain homeowners. If the surviving spouse of an over-65 homeowner is at least 55 years old at the time of the older spouse's death, then he or she can keep the school tax ceiling. The tax ceiling, however, does not apply for other taxing units, such as the county and city.

The surviving spouse also may retain the over-65 homeowner's exemptions offered by the local taxing units, if the surviving spouse is at least 55 years old at the time of the older spouse's death and owns and lives in the home.

The chief appraiser pointed out that homeowners age 65 or older do not need to reapply for the exemption this year if they received the exemption and tax ceiling last year. Homeowners turning 65 during the year may file for the over-65 exemption up to one year from the date they turned 65, owned the home and lived in it as their principal residence. Only those who have never had the exemption and tax ceiling -- such as the surviving spouse age 55 or older -- must apply in 2003.

Homeowners are also eligible for a \$3,000 general exemption for their county taxes because the county levies a tax for farm-to-market roads or flood control.

Peddy added that any taxing unit may offer a local-option exemption that allows a percentage reduction in each residence homestead's appraised value. In 2003, a taxing unit may exempt up to 20 percent of each qualified home's appraised value.

The taxpayer pamphlet also describes other exemptions available, such as those for disabled veterans and other disabled persons. Productivity appraisal is another type of tax relief available to agricultural or timberland owners. It is available in two forms, referred to by its location in the Texas Constitution: "1-d" or agricultural-use appraisal and "1-d-1" or open-space land appraisal.

Landowners who wish their land to receive 1-d appraisal must apply each year. The landowner must file a signed, sworn application with the chief appraiser by April 30. However, owners of land receiving 1-d-1 appraisal do not need to reapply, unless the chief appraiser requests in writing that they do so.

Because the qualifications are less strict, many landowners choose to apply for 1-d-1. However, if the land's use changes to a non-agricultural one, the period for recapturing lost taxes is five years for 1-d-1. For 1-d, the recapture time is three years for change of ownership or use.

"Appraisal district staff can offer more information about special land appraisal, tax reductions and exemptions," Peddy said.

She said the Remedies pamphlet also contains information about protesting to the appraisal review board (ARB). The ARB is a citizen board that hears taxpayer protests to ensure that property values are fair and uniform.

Another section deals with how voters can petition for an election to reduce the amount of a tax increase adopted by any taxing unit.

"I urge all property owners in the Hansford County Appraisal District to read the pamphlet and learn about the property tax system and all possible property tax relief," Peddy said. "Remember, taxpayers must file exemption applications with the appraisal office by April 30 and any protests by June 2 of this year."

The May 31st deadline is extended to 30 days from the date the Notice of Appraised Value is mailed.

The pamphlet is available to the taxpayers at the Hansford County Appraisal District, located at 709 West 7th Avenue in Spearman.

Happy Birthday!

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

Hutchinson, John Michael
Duncan, Kathy Floyd,
Christy Harris
Anniversary - Mr. & Mrs.
Victor White

April 22
Birthday - Chelcie Davis, David Link, Shelly Stedje, Sharon Wilson, James Martin, Bonnie Garnett, Loyd Cator, Clifford Hornsby, Rosalinda Vela, Mary Parker, Mary Ojeda, Margie Galvan, David Roy Martin, Cindy Womble, Lisa Tarango, Troy TeBeest, Donna Cook, Velma Deweese, Debbie Hornsby, Janice Fulce, Hannah Speck, Karen Babitzke, Brendon Carter
Anniversary - Mr. & Mrs. Pablo Perez, Mr. & Mrs. Brad Renick, Mr. & Mrs. Joe Lopez, Mr. & Mrs. Victor Lopez

April 28
Birthday - Kade Carthel, Wade Dahl, Jerry Duncan, Pat Harris, Jody Irwin, Krysanne Johnson, Shirley Lowe, Elvin Martin, Scott Swan, Kerry McMullan, Tammy Savage, Vernon Tindell, John Henry Hughes, Sambo Connelly, Clark Bridges, Victoria Vela, Jessica Mayo, Janet Morales, Brad Renick, Jimmy Morley, Kyle Sumner
Anniversary - Mr. & Mrs. Roy Riley, James & Linda Owens, Mr. & Mrs. Bill Gaither, Robbie & Valerie Shield

April 29
Birthday - Jill Garrett, Clay Hobbs, Betty Roberts, Estelle Jackson, Britton Benge, Burton Williams, Robbie Shields, Christine Harnish, Dora Alvarez, Greg Odegaard, Ila Willis, Randi Atwood, John Haynes, Madison McLain, Bailey Stedje

April 30
Birthday - Golda Mae Dunnihoo, Debra Cook, Shawn Martin, M.A. Brand, Robert Cantu, Cora Lee Jarvis, Hector Hermosillo, James E. Johnson, Zachery Renteria
Anniversary - Mr. & Mrs. Kyle Irwin

April 23
Birthday - Sam Garnett, Juan Renteria, Rosa Linda Vela, Brea Archer, Dustin Barber, Stacy Poole, Patricia Dunaway, Sharon Coble, Frank Prouty, Seth Blane, John David Brown, Curtis Covington, Shonda Odegaard, George Aquero, Macy Jones, Stephen Cook, Ramsey Jenschke
April 24
Birthday - Kerri Barkley, Jenna Beth Kiser, Bart Shapley, Greg Slough, Mike Scroggs, Murl Pearson, Josephine Salgado, Wendy Woolley, Odell Fanning
Anniversary - Mr. & Mrs. Wayne Bayless

April 30
Birthday - Golda Mae Dunnihoo, Debra Cook, Shawn Martin, M.A. Brand, Robert Cantu, Cora Lee Jarvis, Hector Hermosillo, James E. Johnson, Zachery Renteria
Anniversary - Mr. & Mrs. Kyle Irwin

April 25
Birthday - Jerry Orr, Robert Hagerman, Keith Lewis, Pat Underwood, Donna Hill, Meagan Burrell, Mia Burrell, Greg Breland, Mary Bayless, Jodi Martin, Roy Garcia, Joe Ruhlin
Anniversary - Mr. & Mrs. Lewis Hill Jr.

May 1
Birthday - Josie Kiser, Cori Cox, Marti Garnett, Jaret Swan, April Jarvis, Gina Hamilton, Earl Spencer, James Sterling, Floyd Dean Shook, Ryon Atwood, Christine States, Angela Coombs, Devin Delozier, Victoria Renteria, Allan Thompson, Jason Ward, Aaron Weller, Dani Wheelock
Anniversary - Mr. & Mrs. Bobby Don Smith, Ronnie & Coleen Schaefer

April 26
Birthday - DeeDee Johnson, Juanita Logsdon, Benny McClenagan, Angie Rempel, Kenny Slough, Lyndee Ferguson, Linda Garcia, Ricky Ellsworth, Bob Marsh, Juan Rojas, Summer Riggins, Donna Duggan, Larry Ross
Anniversary - Pete & Kim Vera

May 2
Birthday - Michael Booth, Hack Johnson, Whitney Lilley, Chad Logsdon, Marsha Shaver, Carolyn Gressett, Melodie Kelp, Bryan Jenkins, Dalene Baker, Nick Renteria, Rex Shook, Lynn Davis, Keith Gibson, Connie Pape, Annie Torres
Anniversary - Mr. & Mrs. Jose Vaquera

April 27
Birthday - Hart Derington, Tek Ferguson, Archie Nelson, Beatrice "Sis" Stayton, Mitzi Myers, Jerry Ross Jr., Marie Snider, Simona Rayes, April Tennesson, Elva Sullivan, Jean Burgess, Veronica Favela, Wilma Reese, Alan

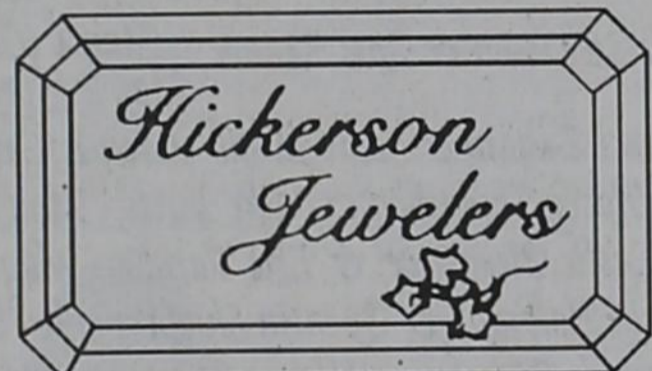
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Among The Neighbors

by Helen Fisher

Joyce Byers took Ruby Riley to the airport in Amarillo to go to Phoenix the 23rd of March. Ruby spent time with Callie Ruth and husband David.

On the 28th she went to Las Vegas, Nv. to spend some time with Lois and Mike until April 10th. On the 10th she went back to Phoenix and stayed until the 13th.

She was able to tour the garden scenery while in Las Vegas to see all of the beautiful flowers as well as around Phoenix.

While in Phoenix, they took many sight seeing trips. While she was there she was able to spend one afternoon with Glenda Swan.

Ruby enjoyed all of her trip and is thankful to Joyce and Marvin Byers who picked her back up in Amarillo when she returned.

The obituary for Tommie Jack Bruce is elsewhere in this issue. A cremation memorial service at Hansford Cemetery will be announced at a later date.

He was the son of Tommy and Mary Bruce and attended school at Spearman.

Condolences are extended to his family.

A farmer owned a small farm in the eastern Panhandle and was checked on by a representative of the Wage and Hour department. The agent needed a

list of his employees and their wages.

The farmer reported "Well, there's my hand who has been with me three years. I pay him \$600 a week plus free room and board. The cook has been here 18 months and I pay her \$500 per month and free room and board. Then there's the half-wit that works 18 hours a day. He makes \$10 a week and I buy him chewing tobacco replied the farmer."

"That's the guy I want to talk to - the half-wit," said the agent.

"That would be me," said the farmer.

The above was sent here by Zack B. Fisher of the eastern Panhandle, which created the question if he was referring to himself.

Due to the increasing deterioration of my hearing, I request that you bring your news articles by the Manor to me or Merry Sparks. You may also call Merry at 659-5849, or submit it at the Hansford County Reporter-Statesman, 213 Main Street, Spearman, TX 79081; or you may call (806) 659-3434; fax (806) 659-3368; or e-mail to cathy.smith@antden.com. It is important to others to know what is happening in your life, so I encourage you to share your news, travels, and other events with your neighbors.



Engagement Announcement

Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Turner of LaMarque, Texas and Terry Cheek of Galveston, Texas are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter Amber Elizabeth Turner of Lubbock to Jason Patrick TeBeest, also of Lubbock.

He is the son of J.P. and Amy TeBeest of Gruver and the grandson of Leona and the late Joel Stavlo of Gruver and the late Ted and Trudie TeBeest.

The bride-elect is a 1998 graduate of LaMarque High School and will graduate from Texas Tech University in December 2004 with an all-level Music Education Degree. She plans to teach junior high band.

The prospective groom is a 1999 graduate of Gruver High School and will graduate from Texas Tech University in August 2004 with a Bachelor of Science degree in Agricultural and Applied Economics and a Bachelor of Business Administration degree in General Business.

The couple is planning a July 31, 2004 wedding at Oslo Lutheran Church, north of Gruver.

by Dorothy Hudson

Out At The Lake

Lake Level--April 19, 2004--25.91 feet (-0.17)

Four RVs were behind the dam, and one had a spot on the office side. There were tents on the north side, too, and one camper by the lake.

This week saw Roy Flaherty from Hardesty catch a 27.14 bluecat from the bank. Unfortunately, Jim was not there to get a picture of it. As that is the second one over 27 pounds, Jim said many of the fishermen believe there are some thirty pound ones waiting to be caught. Two nice crappie were also landed.

The turkeys are very visible now. Although they are shy, as they are still wild birds, visitors get close enough to really enjoy the strutting toms.

Be on the watch for a Golden Eagle as Jim spotted one on a high line pole between the office and the entrance.

My youngest brother, Don Hart lives with his wife Donna in Mesa, Arizona. Don, as a boy, always enjoyed having pets. One of my memories is that when he would sit on the porch

step, his little banty hen would come and hop up on his lap. Now his three geese were another story.

Although now living in a city he and Donna still enjoy wildlife. Last year they had a pair of the beautiful Gambel's quail nest in a flower box. This year, Don and Donna have been fascinated by a pair of mallard ducks that nested behind an oleander bush at their next door neighbors. Twelve eggs were laid, and seven ducklings were hatched out. The nearest pond is 3 or 4 blocks from the nest. From the stories I've heard when the ducklings get big enough to make the hike, the mother duck takes them proudly on foot to the pond, stopping traffic on the way. But not so in Arizona. Donna saw the hen slip behind the oleander bush and fly out and over the yard with a very small duckling in her beak. Later they spotted the mother and the seven little ducklings in the pond. They suspect that the little brood were flown down, although Donna saw only one in the air.

It's A Girl!

Kensley Reece Hergert, 15 months, announces the arrival of her baby sister, Kayson Delaine Hergert. Kayson was born April 12, 2004 at 3:34 p.m. at Plano Presbyterian Hospital. She weighed 10 pounds, 5 ounces and was 19 inches long.

Kayson's proud parents are Dr. Tyce and Kellie Hergert of Grapevine.

The paternal grandparents are Darl and Judy Hergert of Perryton. Paternal great-grandparents are Lila and the late Donald K. Hergert of Spearman. Honorary great-grandmother is Carlene Coon of Perryton.

The maternal grandparents are Thomas Fowler of Crandall and Dennis and Susan Howe of Richardson. Maternal great-grandparents are JC and Pat Mackey of Mesquite and Stu and Dorothy Howe of Richardson.

You are invited to a
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(A los votantes registrados de Pringle-Morse CISD, Texas:)

Notice is hereby given that the polling places listed below will be open from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. on May 15, 2004, for voting in a school board election, to elect two (2) school board members.

(Notifiquese, por las presente, que las casillas electorales sitadas abajo se abrirán desde las 7:00 a.m. hasta las 7:00 p.m. el 15 de mayo de 2004, para votar en la Elección para elegir dos miembros para el Consejo de escuela.)

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(Direccion de las casillas electorales: Pringle-Morse CISD School Cafeteria, 100 Fifth Street, Morse, TX 79062.)

Early voting by personal appearance will be conducted each weekday at Pringle-Morse Administration Office, 100 Fifth Street, Morse, Texas between the hours of 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. beginning on April 28, 2004 and ending on May 11, 2004.

(La Votación en adelantada en persona se llevará a cabo de lunes a viernes en Pringle-Morse CISD School Cafeteria, 100 Fifth Street, Morse, TX entre las 8:00 de la mañana y las 4:00 de la tarde empezando el 28 de abril y terminando el 11 de mayo.)

Applications for ballot by mail shall be mailed to: VeAnn Clark, PO Box 109, Morse, TX 79062.

(Las solicitudes para balotas por correo deberán ser enviadas a: VeAnn Clark, PO Box 109, Morse, TX 79062.)

Applications for ballots by mail must be received no later than the close of business on May 7, 2004.

(Las solicitudes para boletas ue se votaran en ausencia por correo deberan recibirse para el fin de las h oras de negocio el 7 de Mayo de 2004.)

You are invited to a
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Monica Blackman & Bryon Pfaff - May 1
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May 2 (Spearman)
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Kasey Dunnihoo & Mike Butts - May 15
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Cynthia Moseley & Alfonso Martinez - May 29
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Manor Matters

by Merry Sparks

Thank you the the Primera Inglesia Baptist Church for bringing services to the Manor on Easter Sunday. I especially am appreciative since Easter Sunday was filled with so much activity. The residents report that they really enjoyed the music and the message.

Monday morning took off with Newscurrents. It was interesting to hear NASA's explanation of the "Dust Bowl." That afternoon we had a spelling bee in the living room. They had some very hard words but there was always someone that could spell them.

That night the Preceptor Sorority hosted Bingo for the residents. The participation at Bingo is always high and the residents enjoyed the ice cream sandwiches afterward.

Tuesday morning we rocked the house with Musercise. You know some music just has to be played louder than other music! It gets everyone up for lunch anyway!

After lunch we had Skip-Bo competition and dominoes. Tubby Hays appears to be the Skip-Bo queen around here. Ernestina in the activity department keeps trying to beat her but has decided that it cannot be done!

Wednesday morning we were blessed with Ann Whitaker leading Bible study. The residents have begun looking forward to her Bible study each week.

That afternoon we got together in the activity room and worked on tissue paper mums and May flowers. We got quite a few done and should be able to finish up next week.

Thursday morning Ernestina led the exercise class to the music of the Everly Bros., Statler Bros., Dixie Chicks, and music from a 60's dance party tape. She reports that they were really rocking.

The afternoon was filled with fun and games. The auxiliary hosted bingo and helped serve ice cream. Thank you to the auxiliary!!

Friday we played a feisty game of kickball in the living room.

After lunch we gathered in the activity room for a jolly game of Crazy Bunko. I heard a new phrase. One of the residents was not having any luck rolling doubles so she took the basket, passed her hand over it and said "Hocus Pocus presto change, rotten tomatoes, sour potatoes, and everything!" Guess what---sure enough she rolled a double!!

The Gruver Grapevine

by Harletta Carthel

Clean 'Er Up
Cleaning up Gruver will be the theme of Gruver's first annual city wide clean-up campaign slated for Saturday, April 24.

All residents are urged to pick up, spruce up, and make Gruver shine.

For assistance in moving items, contact Leon Bagwell or Lisa Salmans.

Finley Goes Up, Records Come Down
GHS pole vaulter Blythe Finley recently broke the Spearman track meet record with a vault of 10' and then encored by breaking the area meet record this past weekend with a vault of 10' 3".

Since Finley holds the GHS record of 10', she also broke the school record with her new personal best of 10' 3". She led the Amarillo Globe-News girls track honor roll with her 10' vault which will be updated this week to her 10' 3" effort.

She will compete in the regional track meet in Levelland April 30 and May 1.

Community Care Concerns
Lera Beasley sustained a broken right arm and bruised ribs

when she was involved in a car accident Friday, April 16, in Amarillo.

Fortunately, she was wearing her seat belt, and her injuries were not serious. She is recuperating at home.

Crispin Borunda was able to have an arthroscopic meniscus knee surgery rather than the anticipated ACL surgery. He is doing therapy in his recovery process.

Madison Teal had a tonsillectomy recently.

Charlene Spivey is doing well following recent surgery.

Barkley To Minister In Texline
Bailey Barkley will assume the duties of pastor of the United Methodist Church of Texline on June 15th.

Barkley will be graduating from theology school in May. He and his wife Randa and young son Dayton will be moving to Texline shortly after his graduation.

Barkley is a 1996 graduate of Gruver High School. and the son of Rick and Kathy Barkley of Gruver and Peggy Bennett of the metroplex. He is also the

grandson of June Barkley of Gruver.

Condolences Extended
The community's sympathy is extended to Jackie Wilson in the death of her father Gene Cottrell.

Sympathy is also expressed to Dorothy Cator in the loss of her mother Edith Smith.

LaNetta Shapley's great niece, Christina Lindsey, passed away in Amarillo last week. The toddler began her battle with cancer before her first birthday last November, and was on the prayer list of many of the community.

Make Plans For Flea Market
The first annual Gruver Flea Market is set for Saturday, May 22 in the Gruver City Park.

Booths are available for \$10 for an 8'x10' space. Food booths, garage sale items, crafts, coins, antiques, and fun booths are all welcome.

To reserve a space, contact Lisa Salmans 733-2861 after 5 p.m. or Holly McLain 733-5040, on weekdays.

Citizens of the Six Weeks
Gruver Junior High has

announced citizens of the fifth six weeks. The award is given to students who best exemplify the qualities of good citizens in the classroom.

Honored were fifth grader Luis Munoz, sixth grader Joel Soto, seventh grader Payton Mitchell, and eighth grader Hugo Chavira.

Little Dribbler All Stars
The Gruver Little dribblers all star team competed in the Gruver, Spearman, Perryton, Borger, and Panhandle tournaments this season. They took a first place win, a second place win, two third place wins and one fourth place wins.

Members of the team are sixth graders Cody Graves, Drew Mireles, Blake Fitzgearld, Reagan Karlin, Parker Grotegut, Rily Urban, Caleb Miller, and Alsonso Martinez. Debbie Chisum was the all-star coach, and Jack Karlin was the team manager.

Phone Found Near Park
A cordless home phone was found on King Street near the city park several weeks ago. The owner of the phone may claim it at City Hall by giving a description of it.

OPSU Art Jubilee



(L-R) Katie Baehler, Janett Ortiz, Christen Ferguson and Maira Davila took second place in the Sidewalk Chalk competition at OPSU's Art Jubilee held April 7th.


On Wednesday, April 7th, 10 Spearman High School art students attended the Art Jubilee on the campus of Oklahoma Panhandle State University in Goodwell. This was a juried exhibition for scholarship money and other awards, sponsored by the Oklahoma Arts Council and OPSU Art Club.

Walking away with a first place finish in the Art History Scholastic competition was sophomore Katie Baehler. Spearman also placed second in the Sidewalk Chalk competition. This group consisted of Maira Davila, Christen Ferguson, Janett Ortiz, Lorena Lopez and Katie Baehler.

Approximately 29 schools from five states attended this large art competition, from as far away as Raton, NM to Lockney, TX to Altus, OK. Most were larger schools. A free lunch was also provided.

Several demonstrations of art media were shown throughout the day, along with live radio coverage on campus. Raku pottery was created by Dustin Bentley and other OPSU art majors. Other demonstrations included framing and matting, pastels, watercolor, computer animation, portrait and photography.


Other Spearman students who attended were Michael Lozano, Chris Cudd, Ori Cooksey, Jose Vargas and Jordanna Lozano.



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Hansford Hospital Auxiliary Volunteers (L-R) Patty Sheppard, Jackie Graham, Mary Fern Terry, Elaine Odegaard, Judy Yarbrough and Alva Garner serve refreshments at Hansford Manor.

Hansford Hospital Auxiliary

Officers: President Judy Nelson, Vice President Verna Brown, Secretary Muriel Boyd, Treasurer Mary Fern Terry.

Members: Eddie Largent, Dorothy Lusby, Norma Jean Mackie, Judy Nelson, Elaine Odegaard, June Patterson, Carol Sell, Patty Sheppard, Gwen Smith, Sandee Smith, Mary Fern Terry, Virginia Trindle, Judy Yarbrough, Dickie Allen, Maylynn Ayres, Adalyn Barnes, LoRee Booth, Muriel Body, Verna Brown, Sara Bulls, Rosa Lee Butt, Nordeen Cochran, Frances Cudd, Carolyn Cummings, Betty Jean Davis, Peggy Ellsworth, Margarette Evans, Alta Fisher, Alva Garner, Jackie Graham, Mary Kay Harbour, Karen Hartgraves, Helen Holt, Cindy Holton, June Jackson, Verna Gail Keim, Dortha Keys, Teresa Kirk, Lorene Kunselman, Margaret Lair.

Purpose: The job of the Hansford Hospital Auxiliary is to serve as a liaison between the hospital/Manor and the community. We help with birthday parties, bingo, special occasion celebrations, Christmas decorating, staff appreciation day, and other requests.

Through Operation Christmas Card, chaired by Sandee Smith, the auxiliary raises funds to buy small nonbudgeted items for the hospital and Manor.

To volunteer, call Judy Nelson at 658-3608.

Big Brothers, Big Sisters

Purpose: Big Brothers, Big Sisters matches children with caring volunteers who serve as mentors helping them develop positive life skills and social values.

To volunteer, call 1-877-716-3424.

Bigs in Schools

Volunteers: Cindy Blackman, Janna Brock, Jeff Brock, Stephanie Brock, Brienne Burkhammer, Jason Cantrell, Carrie Ceniceros, James Cunningham, Jascha Fishburn, Caleb Gillaspie, Gina Gillispie, Cathy Hooper, Michel Huffaker, Mandie Hunter, Emily Longoria, Carolyn McLeod, Lynna Renner, Don Schroeder, Tashi Schumann, Dana Sharp.

Purpose: To mentor children in school in such areas as playing games, doing crafts, listening to reading, or helping with homework.

To volunteer, call Cindy Blackman at 659-3233 or call 1-877-716-3624.

American Heart Association, Hansford Division

Officers: President Kay Hobbs, President Elect Patricia Bratton, Secretary/Treasurer

Sharon Swan.

Board Members: Amy Babbs, Missie Bates, Carolyn Cummings, Peggy Frick, Darlene Pierce, Margaret Ralston, Penny Ralston, Anita Sumner, Anna Beth Wood.

Purpose: The purpose of the American Heart Association is to reduce disability and death from cardiovascular diseases and stroke. We do this by raising money to fund lifesaving research and education. Research by the American Heart Association has already given us such ground breaking discoveries as valve replacement, defibrillation, drugs to control cholesterol, pacemakers, and CPR.

To volunteer, call Kay Hobbs at 733-2876.

Hansford and Spearman Emergency Medical Services

Members: Justin Boyd, Dwayne Comp, Jay Lamb, Krystal McDonald, Cynthia Scribner, George Smith, Roger Close, Ryan Wells.

Purpose: To respond to emergency calls within the city and county.

To volunteer, call Jay Lamb at 659-5511, or contact any service member.

Gruver Volunteer Fire Department

Officers: Fire Chief Robert Blevins, First Assistant Chief Wayne Kruse, Second Assistant Chief Lynn Boyd, Treasurer Matt Johnson, Training Officer Marvin Sparks, Secretary Penny Kruse.

Members: Joe Morris, Sam Gruver, Jack McCullough, Chris Homer, Aaron Boyd, Autumn Gruver, Nathan Kirk, Jason Hefner, Benny McCullough, Shane Goodson, Chris Johnson, Heath Meir, Wesley Thompson.

Purpose: The Gruver Volunteer Fire-Rescue is an all volunteer department. The purpose of the men and women who volunteer their time is to provide fire and rescue services to the people in the community who depend on them in times of need. Gruver Vol. Fire Rescue provides fire suppression, rescue, haz-mat, and numerous other services to the people who depend on them.

The department also provides a control burn service for people who want to burn firebreaks or get rid of old structures. The members of the department are all men and women who give of themselves and their time away from families to provide a much-needed service for the people they serve.

To volunteer, call Robert Blevins at 733-2353.

Gruver Emergency Medical Services

Officers: EMS Director Robert Blevins, Assistant EMS Director Diane Boyd

Members: Kevin Babbs, Curt Fitzgearld, Donna Miller, Beth Swink, Marvin Sparks, Kim Blevins, Matt Johnson.

Purpose: To respond to emergency calls within the city and county.

To volunteer, call Robert Blevins at 733-2353.

Hansford Manor

Purpose: Volunteers make Hansford Manor the quality facility that it is today. The churches take turns holding services at the Manor, the Auxiliary is faithful to bake cookies, pies, or to be on hand to ride with us to a doctor appointment, help with parties or bingo. Other volunteers furnish music or help on trips by helping the residents on and off of the vans, hauling the wheelchairs for us, pushing the residents in their wheelchairs when we go on trips such as to museums or the fall foliage tour, helping with manicures, sports events or just playing a game of cards or dominoes. It is the volunteer that puts the quality in the resident's life. We appreciate each and every one of you!!

To volunteer, call Merry Sparks at 659-5849.

Hansford County Library

Officers: Thriftshop Manager Jo McLaughlin

Thriftshop workers: Miriam Upchurch, Nina Hendricks, Margaret Novak, Lorene McGuire, Sara Dossett, Sara Van Buskirk, Pauline McGee, Bill Porter, Claudine Laxton.

Lay Representative to Texas Panhandle Library System: Patti Schnell, Alternate Lay Rep.: Kathy Boyd

General Library Volunteers: Kathy Bowles and Sandee Smith

Summer Reading Program Volunteers: Maribel Moreno, Joann Tang, and Natalie Quintero

Library Board Members: Myrna Biggers, James Cunningham, Kim Brock, Wanda Jones, Wanda Archer, Susan Kidder, Jo McLaughlin, Mary Alice Gibner, and Tim Woodington

Endowment Board Members: James Cunningham, Mary Alice Gibner, Stinson Gibner, Monty Blackman and Clay Schnell

Purpose: Volunteers help the Hansford County Library in many ways. Several work sorting and pricing items for the Thriftshop and then selling those items each Saturday to help support the library's funding.

Some serve as either Library Board or Endowment Board Members. Others serve as Lay Representative to the Texas Panhandle Library System by attending meetings and voting on important library issues as well as being advocates for all libraries throughout the state. Volunteers help keep the library open when there is a shortage of staff.

High school volunteers work with the children each summer during our Summer Reading Club. All of the volunteers serve

the library, and, in turn, help the library to do a better job of serving the community.

To volunteer, call Sherri Benton 659-2231

Gruver Mobile Meals Delivery

Members: Janet Irwin, Barbara Cluck, Sue Smith, Flavil Ayers, Marlene Winger, Jo Alice Clawson, Charlotte Bergin, Dixie Karlin, Georgia Davidson, Louetta McClellan, June Barkley, Pat Irwin, Mavis Floyd, Lou Chapman.

Purpose: To provide nutritious meals three times a week to shut-ins or elderly citizens of the community.

To volunteer, call Gruver City Hall 733-2424.

Crisis Center

Volunteers: Meli Burgess, Missie Bates, Julie Etchison

Purpose: Provides services to support adult and child victims of abuse.

To volunteer, call the Panhandle Crisis Center at 1-800-753-5308.

Spearman Volunteer Fire Department

Officers: Chief John Kunselman, First Assistant Chief Ron Antalek, Second Assistant Chief Bret Burgin, Captain Roger Close, Captain Ryan Wells, Captain Jim Younger, Lieutenant Elbert Dorton, Lieutenant Bruce Stinson, Lieutenant Mike Bates

Members: Ron Antalek, Mike Bates, Willis Boyd, Bret Burgin, Dwayne Comp, Roger Close, Sergio Domiguez, Elbert Dorton, T.J. Evans, Slade Floyd, Buck Hughes, Randy Kirk, John Kunselman, Bobby Lujan, Cesar Moreno, Cody Pledger, Daniel Renfro, Johnny Ring, Tobe Sibley, Damon Sibley, Bruce Stinson, Ryan Wells, Jim Younger.

Purpose: To save lives and protect property.

To volunteer, call John Kunselman at 659-3775, or any member.

Gruver Elementary School

Volunteers: Jo Alice Clawson, Sue Smith, Weldon Green, Debbie Chisum, Mona Pierce, Krista Davis, Donna Williams

Purpose: Volunteers are a vital and important of Gruver Elementary. They are called by the two names: PALS (Partners

Are Learners) or VIPS (Volunteers in Public Schools). These important people do so many valuable jobs which include running papers, cutting out shapes, assembling student books, listening to students read, serving as tutors in math and other academic disciplines, listening and encouraging students and teachers alike, and more. Everyone looks forward to their smiling faces and helping hands on a weekly basis.

To volunteer, call Diane Brown at 733-2031.

Pringle Morse School

Volunteers: Debbie Tolleson, Cindy Lieb, Robbie Reid, Carolyn Shields, Mildred Lewis

Purpose: Pringle Morse volunteers decorate for school activities, listen to children read, help in the library, and are helpful in any area a need exists in the school.

To volunteer: Contact Pringle Morse 733-2507.

Gruver High School Student Volunteers, 2003-2004

Nick Slough, Bythe Finely, Manny Lopez, David Puebla, Raul Garcia, Kristie Balderrama, Dimna Cruz, Luis Ramirez, Carlos Borunda, Jose Rodriquez, Lourdes Vega

Purpose: To serve the needs of others in the community. To Assist charitable organizations.

To volunteer, call Kathy Gillispie at Gruver High School, 733-2477.

Hansford Hospice

Officers: President Verna Lee Shirley, Vice-President June and Doyle Jackson, Secretary/Reporter JoLinda Hutchison, Treasurer Pat Sutterfield, Corresponding Secretary/Membership Betty Jean Davis, Historian Linda Lieb, Program Director Carolyn Hicks.

Hansford Hospice Volunteers: Joan McClellan, Donnie Mitchell, Nell Patterson, Ruby Riley, Verna Lee Shirley, Sharron Swan, Opal Wallin, Anna Beth Wood, Gary Smith, Catherine Smith, Sharon Sutton, Dolly McWhirter, Judy Nelson, Wanda Reed, Sandy Russell, Wanda Stewart, Karen Thompson, Richie Thompson, Larue Whitefield, Wanda Schubert, Del Cluck, Jeanie Pearcy, Anita Marquez, Elaine

Odegaard, Eloise Renner, Carol Sell, Patt Sutterfield, Kay Vernon, Edith Womble, Janie Jeffries, Suzanne Thomas, Carolyn Taylor, Mary Allen, Muriel Boyd Rosa Lee Butt, Beverly Cook, Roberta Cole, Ken Cole, Mary K. Harbour, J.C. Harris, Cindy Holton, JoLinda Hutchinson, Celia Krug, I. W. and Maylynn Ayers, Kathy Bryant, Claudine Clark, Carolyn Cummings, Connie Gammill, Leonard Harper, Louise Heddins, Garland Hopper, Pat Irwin, Linda Latta, Loree Booth, Nellie Buchanan, Dorcas Collard, Betty Jean Davis, Sandy Haney, Amy Harris, Carolyn Hicks, Reba Hunter, Doyle Jackson, June Jackson, Dean Lieb, Linda Lieb

Purpose: Hansford Hospice has approximately 60 volunteers. Volunteers take a 30 hour course before they can actively participate in our program. There are many different things the volunteers can do.

Many like to cook food for families of our patients. We also have volunteers that like to sit with patients so the family can have a break or do shopping or maybe go to the Post Office.

Volunteers help with office work. Others print a monthly newsletter. Male volunteers help with the heavier jobs of lifting or moving items, or to cook at our annual family picnic.

The volunteers are assigned to a family and are trained to follow up with the family after the loss of their loved one.

Volunteers are always around to support the family members during this difficult time.

Volunteers also raise funds to provide for any patient needs or needs of the Hospice office.

The volunteer group meets the second Monday of the month to discuss business and frequently have an educational program.

To volunteer, call the Hansford Hospice office at 659-5811.

Partners In Education

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Nursing home residents could spend their autumns immobile in their beds and chairs, with only a glimpse of fall color changes through their windows.

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It's a good thing some Gruver High School students come along to brighten their days.

In a continuing relationship with the Hansford Manor nursing home here, Gruver High School sent students along with nursing home residents to experience Canadian's annual Fall

Foliage tour.

"They (the students) are so wonderful," said Merry Gale Sparks, activities director at Hansford Manor. "They are just happy and they're eager to help. They just do anything we ask them to do. They have a good time doing it."

Gruver's project earned a share of \$35,000 given through the Student Reach Out...Volunteer program, sponsored by the Amarillo Globe-News. All school districts in the Globe-News circulation area were invited to participate.

Mike King, Gruver High School principal said Hansford Manor called and asked if there

would be any students interested in volunteer work.

"We were desperate for volunteers," Sparks said. "We needed young strong people."

King said he had plenty of such individuals.

"We decided we would encourage our kids (to volunteer)," he said.

In November, nine students from Gruver High School loaded a bus with 10 Hansford Manor residents - along with sponsors and caregivers and hit the road to Canadian.

When they got there, each student was responsible for either pushing a wheelchair or helping someone walk to destinations such as the famous cottonwood tree at Gene Howe Wildlife Refuge, Sparks said.

"That walking trail is not wheelchair friendly," she said. "They'd (the students) pick them up out of those wheelchairs and sort of push them down the path."

Cameras came out and pictures were taken by the monstrous tree. Later, the crew had lunch at the Filling Station - a local restaurant - and then went on to Lipscomb for a presentation at the local museum, Sparks said.

"It was a great day," she said.

When the students got back to Canadian, they made two large posters of two photographs, which King took to the nursing home, said Kathy Gillispie, a Gruver high school teacher, in a

written account of the project.

"The students came back to school, each one telling what a wonderful time they had," she wrote. "They had discovered a new admiration and respect for their newly acquired white-haired friends."

They also learned something, King said.

"The kids got a sense that it's

important to give back to another generation, that life doesn't revolve around them," he said.

"They (the residents) get something out of it and the kid gets something out of it. It's a great learning experience to touch the lives of people who are alone and don't get the kind of attention they had probably as a younger individual."



Jocelyn Whitefield

Parents: Ted and Cheryl Whitefield

School Activities: Student council, class officer, basketball, track, UIL

Plans to Attend: West Texas A&M University

Volunteer's Comments: What is volunteerism? That is a question I asked upon starting high school and finding out that volunteerism would be required of all participants of National Honor Society, student council and even extracurricular sports. I was told that volunteerism was giving my time to help people who are in need. That was a very broad base, but I took it seriously. To my satisfaction, I have found out helping people not only helps them, it helps me. Over the past four years I have volunteered at our local senior citizens home by playing bingo with the elderly and helping them with their Halloween party. This life-changing experience taught me the elderly are people to be cherished. They are a wonderful collection of living history, and they are always willing to share their time and stories. I have also participated in the Beautify Spearman Project that was started my freshman year. This project helps to keep Spearman's city parks clean and attractive to everyone, so children can play in a nice environment and citizens can be proud of their parks.



Ashlee Flowers

Parents: Gary and Karla Flowers

School Activities: Shattered Dreams Program, swimming lessons for the blind, basketball, National Honor Society, student council, FCCLA

Volunteer's Comments: Mamie McCullough stated, "As we see people, we treat them; and as we treat them, often they become." As I volunteer time at the local manor, the reality of this statement has become quite evident. Working with residents, assisting in their mobility, as well as social activities can only add up to positive outcomes. One of the easiest, yet most profound activities is listening and creating a sense of caring, recognition and self worth toward these residents. All they sincerely ask for in return is companionship, social acceptance and love. As a result, they have become a valued individual, because time was given to help meet their needs as a human being.



Nicholas Slough

Parents: Kenneth and Alice Slough

School Activities: Hansford County 4-H, FFA, Gruver 4-H, Fellowship of Christian Athletes

Plans to Attend: Oklahoma State University

Volunteer's Comments: Because I have spent most of my life letting others do for me, I was totally unprepared for the rewards that volunteering gave me. My first volunteer project was to help the elderly patients at the Hansford Manor on a fall foliage tour. Later I played Santa Claus at the Hansford Manor. During my senior year, I also participated in Pennies for Patients, fund-raising for Cystic Fibrosis, raising awareness of eating disorders and stuffing envelopes for the Saint Jude's Children Research Hospital.

These unique experiences have taught me some valuable lessons in life. Through volunteering, I have learned that friendships have no age boundaries. In addition, I found out that I can enjoy the presence of people with whom I share no common ground. I have seen people who are in pain and sadness, lonely and afraid, break into a joyous smile when young people are willing to involve themselves in a life which appears less fortunate.



Making Friends: Students at Gruver High School participate with residents of Hansford Manor nursing home in activities including the Canadian Fall Foliage tour.

"You give but little when you give of your possessions. It is when you give of yourself that you truly give."

Author: Kahlil Gibran

"We make a living by what we get, we make a life by what we give."

Author: Winston Churchill

"Do not wait for leaders; do it alone, person to person."

Author: Mother Teresa

"Seek to do good, and you will find that happiness will run after you."

Author: James Fraeman Clarke

"The unselfish effort to bring cheer to others will be the beginning of a happier life for ourselves."

Author: Helen Keller

"A volunteer is a person who believes that people can make a difference and is willing to prove it."

Anonymous Quote

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High School Sports

Spearman Track DISTRICT MEET Varsity Girls

The Spearman Varsity Girls took second place at the District Track Meet held in Spearman April 15th and 16th. The Lynxettes finished with 143 points, behind Panhandle's 152. Also competing were Canadian, 105; Sanford-Fritch, 80; West Texas, 71; Boys Ranch, 37; and Highland Park, 30.

Five Lynxettes and the 1600 M Relay placed in the top two to qualify for the Regional Track Meet which will be held April 30th and May 1st in Abilene.

District results are as follows: **3200 M Run:** 3rd - Tabatha Shields; **400 M Relay:** 4th - Claudia Vaquera, Cayla Smith, Sami Cazares, Macy Harbour; **800 M Run:** 5th - Aliessa Sweat, 6th - Maira Davila; **100 M Hurdles:** *1st - Mallory Paul (16.94), *2nd - Cayla Smith (17.16); **100 M Dash:** 3rd - Sami Cazares, 4th - Kelcee Rex, 5th - Claudia Vaquera; **800 M Relay:** 6th - Kelcee Rex, Sonny Parker, Claudia Vaquera, Mallory Paul; **400 M Dash:** *1st - Melissa Lesly (59.81), *2nd - Macy Harbour (64.41); **300 M Hurdles:** 4th - Mallory Paul; **200 M Dash:** *1st - Melissa Lesly (25.99); **1600 M**

Run: 4th - Tabatha Shields; **1600 M Relay:** *1st - Macy Harbour, Cayla Smith, Sonny Parker, Melissa Lesly (4:27.63); **High Jump:** *1st - Sonny Parker (5'2"); **Long Jump:** 5th - Sonny Parker; **Triple Jump:** 3rd - Claudia Vaquera; **Pole Vault:** *2nd - Macy Harbour, 3rd - Jentry Edwards; **Shot Put:** 6th - Jenna McElroy; **Discus:** 5th - Jordanna Lozano

Gruver Tennis DISTRICT TOURNEY

The boys doubles team of Cass Cooper and Carlos Borunda and girls singles player Laci Fitzgearld will compete in the regional tennis tournament April 21 and 22 in Levelland.

The Gruver boys team also won the tennis trophy for amassing the most points with the second place win of Cooper/Borunda and the third place win of Tucker Williams in boys singles.

Both Cooper/Borunda and Fitzgearld took the runner-up slot in the district tennis tournament. last week to advance to the regional meet.

Fitzgearld who was seeded second at the tournament won her first match by defeating Ortiz of Sunray 6-1, 6-0 before

downing third-seeded Lauren Needham of Wellington in a three hour and 20 minute match of split sets of 6-7, 6-3, 6-4.

The Gruver sophomore fell in the championship match to Parsley of Vega 6-0, 6-1.

Cooper/Borunda, who were seeded first in the tournament, drew a bye and then bested LaLorde/Spring of Memphis 6-4, 6-3, before falling to tournament winner Sims/Lemons of Wellington 6-2, 6-1.

In the playback match, Cooper/Borunda bettered third-seeded Glassey/Goerend of Wheeler 6-3, 7-6 to take the runner up spot.

In boys singles, Tucker Williams, who was unseeded in the tournament, took third place.

He downed fourth-seeded Nick Julian of White Deer in his first match in split sets, 6-3, 2-6, 6-0, before falling to first-seeded and eventual tourney winner, Chase Thornberry of Clarendon, 6-1, 6-4.

In the playback match, Williams lost in split sets 6-2, 3-6, 6-3 to take third place.

In boys singles, Garrett Miner beat Matt McCabe of Clarendon 6-0, 6-2, before falling to third-seeded Robert Ross of Memphis 7-5, 6-2.

In other district singles action, Timber Barkley fell to eventual tourney winner Courtney Parsley of Vega in her first match.

109, Drew Grotegut - 112, Ryan Renick - 113, Blane Tolleson - 121, Bailey Reid - 123, Reid Winger - 125 and Brad Clawson - 132. Laine Graves, Gruver's only girl to compete, had a score of 131 after her first 18 holes and 76 on her last nine holes.

Gruver Track AREA TRACK MEET

The Gruver Varsity Girls track team competed in the Area

Track Meet in Panhandle on Friday, April 16th.

Two GHS students qualified for the Regional Track Meet which will be held April 30th and May 1st in Levelland. Blythe Finley qualified with her first place finish in the Pole Vault. She jumped a personal best of 10'3". Lindsey Clift qualified with a first place finish in the High Jump (5'0") and third in the Triple Jump (32'9/2").

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SHS Students of the Month



Samantha Cazares and Michael Lozano

Samantha Cazares is the Spearman High School February Student of the Month. A senior, she is the daughter of Leslie and Joe Paul and Rick and Liz Cazares. She has four sisters, Miranda and Mallory Paul, Callie Cazares and Meryahn McBride, and one brother, Jared McBride.

Sami is involved in basketball, track and is a cheerleader.

She is a member of National Honor Society, was named Who's Who at SHS, and the 2003-2004 Basketball Homecoming Queen.

She loves to shop and spend time with her sisters and boyfriend.

After graduation she plans to attend Texas Tech University to pursue a teaching career.

What she likes best about Spearman is that it is small and if you are stranded on the side of the road, no one hesitates to pull over and help you (and you don't have to worry about who's helping you). She likes the fact that her class is very close at Spearman High School, that they get along well and everyone knows each other.

She stated Mrs. Baker, Mrs. Whitefield and Mrs. Holton as the teachers who were most influential.

Michael Lozano is the Spearman High School February Student of the Month.

The SHS senior is a member of the National Honor Society, the Student Council, football and One-Act Play. He was named Academic All-State in Football, State Honor Crew for One-Act, Art III Award, named a football team captain, Senior Class Favorite and Most Talented.

Michael enjoys playing the guitar.

He is the son of Felipe and Nikki Lozano. He has one sister, Nicole.

He plans to attend the University of North Texas and major in Mechanical Engineering.

Michael says what he likes best about Spearman is the way the community supports the youth at whatever they do. What he likes best about Spearman High School is that the teachers and students are very easy to get along with.

Michael named Jane Henton as the teacher who was most influential.

Gruver Golf DISTRICT TOURNEY Varsity Boys & Girls

Due to the weather and the number of varsity boys competing, the District 6-1A Golf Tournament was limited to 18 holes. The varsity girls played 18 holes, but only completed half of the last 18 due to weather.

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April 22-23 - Regional One-Act Play Contest at Abilene	April 23 - Regional Academic UIL Competition
April 23 & 24 - Regional Tennis Qualifier Meet	April 23 or 24 - Regional Qualifier's Track Meet - TBA
April 23 & 24 - Regional Track Qualifier Meet	April 26 - FFA Top 'O Texas District Meeting, 5 p.m., Pampa
April 24 - Regional Academic UIL Competition at Abilene	April 27 - TAKS (10th Grade Social Studies, 11th Grade Math)
April 26 - FFA Top of Texas District Meeting, 5:30 p.m., Pampa	April 28 - TAKS (10th Grade Math, 11th Grade Science)
April 27 - First State Bank Senior Cookout, 6 p.m.	April 29 - TAKS (9th Grade Math, 10th Grade Science, 11th Grade Social Studies)
April 27 - TAKS (10th Grade Social Studies, 11th Grade Math)	April 30-May 1 - Regional Track Meet in Levelland
April 28 - TAKS (10th Grade Math, 11th Grade Science)	May 3 - Academic Banquet, 7 p.m.
April 29 - TAKS (9th Grade Math, 10th Grade Science, 11th Grade Social Studies)	May 5 - Lions Club (Nicholas Slough)
April 30-May 1 - Regional Tennis Tourney at Abilene	May 5 - AP Calculus Test
April 30-May 1 - Regional Track Meet at Abilene	May 6 - SDA Field Test
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GHS Students Advance To Regional Academic Contest



GHS Academic UIL Regional Qualifiers: (Back Row, L-R) Rachele Holt (Calculator Applications), Mark TeBeest (Calculator Applications), Samantha Myatt (Literary Criticism), Ryan Winger (Calculator Applications), Ben Williams (Ready Writing), Cody Mac Been (Ready Writing), Lauren Urban (Poetry Interpretation); (Front Row, L-R) Jessica Montgomery (Ready Writing), Allison Reid (Poetry Interpretation), Lindsey Clift (Calculator Application), Brittanie Osbourne (Prose Interpretation), Cecilia Rosales (Calculator Applications)

Four Gruver High School students and one team will be competing in regional UIL academic competition this weekend by virtue of their placing in district competition March 31 and April 1.

The Regional UIL competition will be held April 23rd and 24th in Levelland. Students who placed in the top three in an event and teams placing first are eligible to compete. Fourth place students will serve as alternates.

The Gruver High academic team placed fourth overall in a field of 12 schools.

Students and their placings were: **Accounting:** 5th - Meagan Knight; **Calculator Applications:** *1st Place Team - Mark TeBeest, Ryan Winger, Lindsey Clift, Rachele Holt; **Literary Criticism:** *1st - Samantha Myatt; **Number Sense:** 4th - Samantha Myatt; **Poetry Interpretation:** *3rd - Allison Reid, 4th - Lauren Urban; **Prose Interpretation:** *2nd - Brittanie Osbourne; **Ready Writing:** *1st - Ben Williams, *3rd - Jessica Montgomery, 4th - Cody Mac Been; **Social Studies:** 5th - Garrett Miner

* Denotes regional qualifiers.

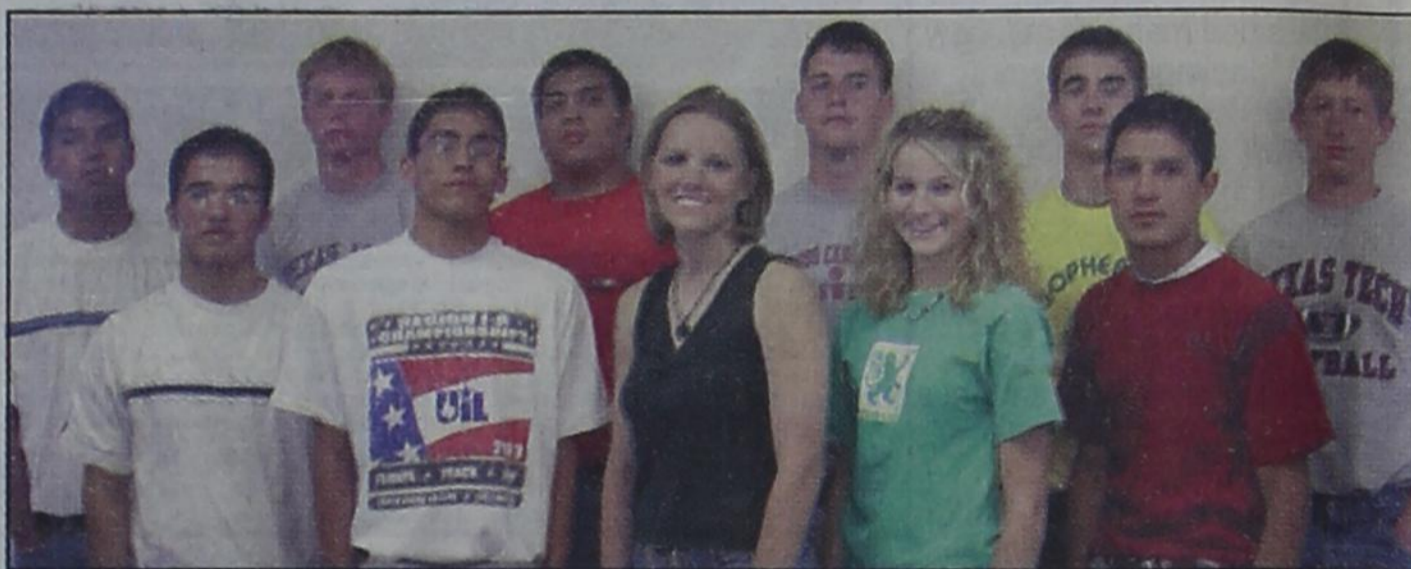
Gruver FFA Livestock Judging Team Qualifies for State



Gruver students Bailey Reid, Nick Slough, Charlie Slough, Tucker Williams qualified for State FFA Livestock Judging.

Gruver FFA members Bailey Reid, Charles Slough, Nick Slough and Tucker Williams qualified for the state livestock judging contest Saturday at Texas Tech University. They will compete at state in College Station at Texas A&M University on Saturday May 1st. They are coached by FFA advisor Weston Born, 4-H leader Burt Williams, and Bret Bergin. The team also competes this coming weekend in the District 4-H contest. The team placed fifth overall at Texas Tech and third in Area 1. 97 teams competed in all with only seven teams qualifying for the state competition.

Gruver FFA also placed first in the Top O Texas District and fifteenth in Area 1 with the dairy cattle team consisting of Garrett Miner, Jessica Montgomery, Colby Red and T.Jay Sherrill.



GHS All-Region Track Qualifiers: (Back Row, L-R) Jose Rodriguez (1600m Relay), Hutch Reed (400m, 1600m Relay, High Jump), Oscar Medina (Shot Put), T.Jay Sherrill (Pole Vault), Matt Messer (Pole Vault), Tyler Lane (400m, 1600m Relay); (Front Row, L-R) David Puebla (800m Relay, 1600m Relay), Manny Lopez (800m, 800m Relay, 1600m), Blythe Finley (Pole Vault), Lindsey Clift (High Jump, Triple Jump), Sammy Pena (800m, 800m Relay)

GOOD LUCK
to all students competing in Regional and State Competitions!



GHS Regional Tennis Qualifiers: (L-R) Laci Fitzgearld-Singles, Cass Cooper & Carlos Borunda-Doubles



The Lynxettes were the District Tennis Champions for 2004. Team members were: (Front, L-R) Keilee Goodheart, Saylee Flowers and Lindsey Short; (Back, L-R) Ashley Hernandez, Tonya Hart and Jordan Short

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