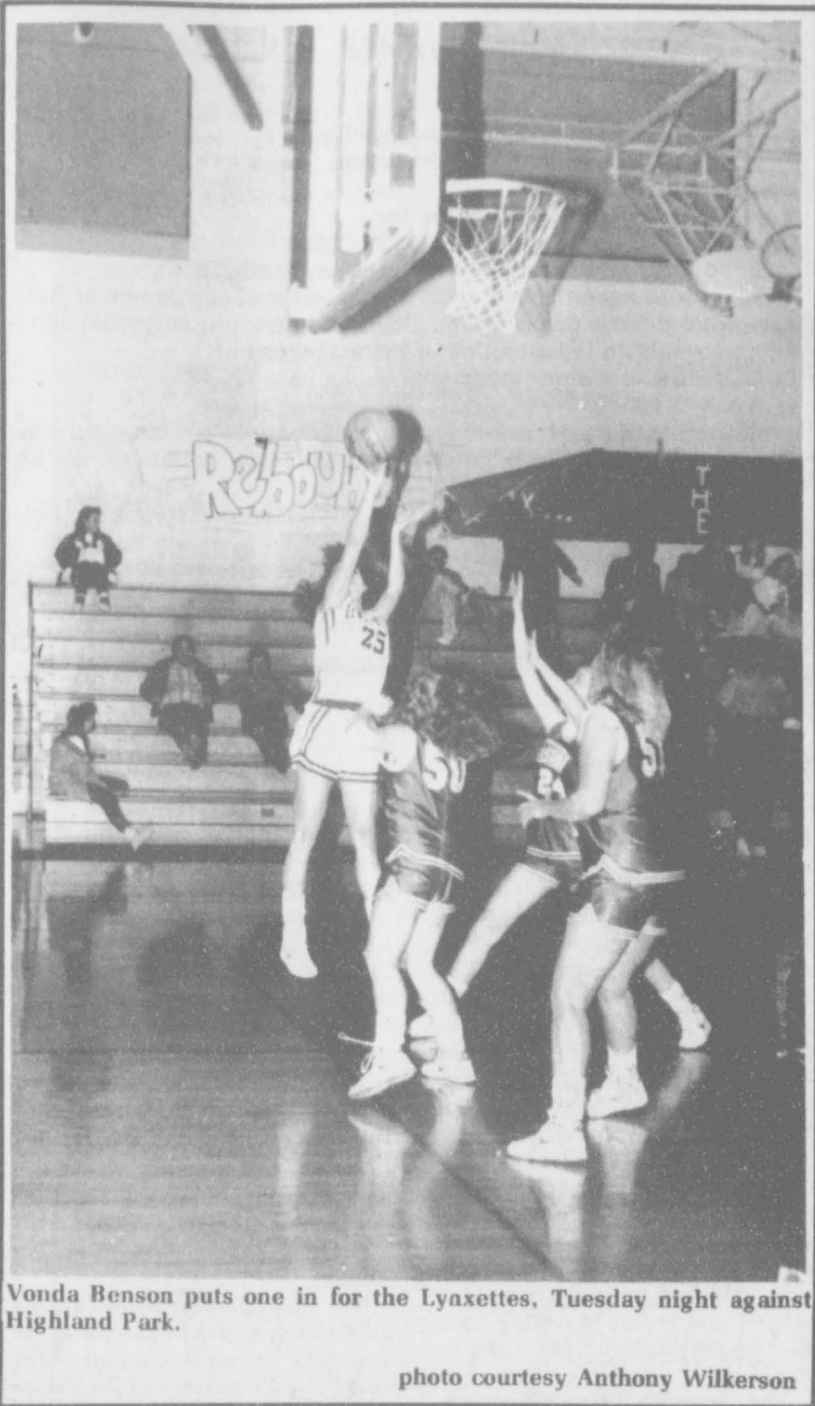


## Lynxettes beat Highland Park

The Spearman Lynxettes gave the Highland Park Hornets another lesson in basketball Tues-

day night defeating them by a score of 67-36.

The district champs played a



Vonda Benson puts one in for the Lynxettes, Tuesday night against Highland Park.

photo courtesy Anthony Wilkerson

good, smooth, ballgame and once again jumped to a 10-0 lead in the first quarter.

Krista Kirkland lead all scorers with 20 points. Londee Bradley had 10, Vonda Benson and Kyla Nelson had 8, Heather Murrell and Ginger Pearson added 6, Carly Shield-knight put in 5, and Joy Gafford contributed 4.

Spearman will travel to W.T. Friday night to finish up the regular season.

## Job services offered Feb 9

A representative from job training information through the Texas Employment Commission will be in Spearman on Tuesday, Feb. 14 from 1 to 4 p.m. at the Hansford County Courthouse.

The program also offers service through the job placement, a regular service of the Texas Employment Commission. Applicants are required to have two types of identification to make application for the service. These could include a driver's license, social security card or birth certificate.

## Lynxettes clinch district title

The 56-32 win over Panhandle Friday night clinched the 1-2A District Title for the Spearman Lynxettes!

Heather Murrell started off with a bang scoring all 7 of her points in the first quarter and Londee Bradley followed suit scoring 5 of her 9 points also in the first quarter. The Lynxettes were ahead 10-0 before Panhandle finally scored, but the Pantherettes were never able to recover the sudden 10 point deficit.

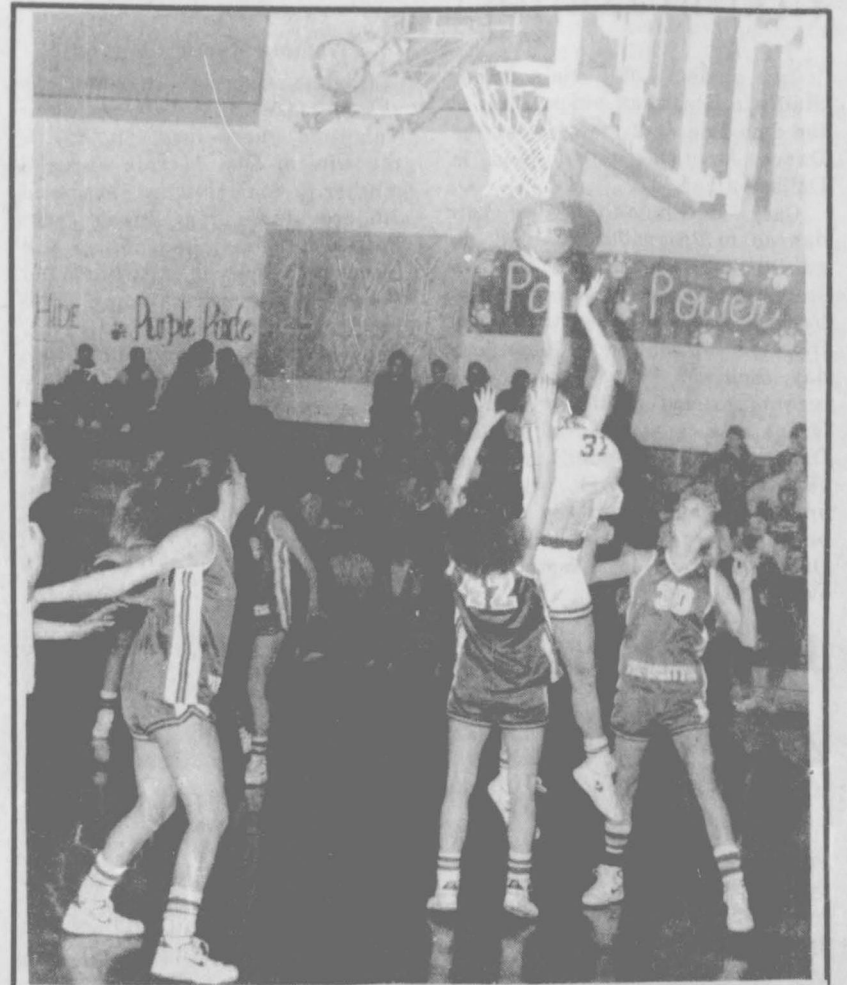
Two-time all-stater Krista Kirkland produced 32 points for the night and Michelle Cook added 4 points with Vonda Benson and Joy Gafford contributing 2 apiece.

Congratulations on winning district, Lynxettes!

## Commodities to be distributed

Surplus government commodities will be distributed Feb. 15 from 1-5 p.m. at the Hansford County Judge's office. Anyone who hasn't certified or recertified needs to do so at the County Judge's office before that date and bring proof of income.

The office is open Monday thru Friday from 8:30 to 5:00 p.m.



Heather Murrell jumps high for this 2-pointer against Panhandle Friday night. photo courtesy Anthony Wilkerson

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## 4-H members travel to Houston show

39 4-H members from Hansford County will be joining other 4-H and FFA members from throughout the state for showing competition at the upcoming Houston Livestock Show, Feb. 16 through March 5 at the Astrohall.

These 4-H and FFA exhibitors compete in one of two divisions of the Houston Livestock Show - the junior show division. The other division, the open show, attracts its exhibitors from the world's agricultural industry in the form of professional breeders and ranchers.

Entries in both the open and junior shows combine with horse show entries to make the Houston

Livestock Show the world's largest.

Participating from Gruver are Brant Armes, Katrina Bratton, Lee Bob Harper, Quentin Harper;

Clint Williams, Stacey Williams, Cori Lowe, Andy Morris, Traci Smith;

Entrants from Spearman include Kevin Williams, Darla Black, Chris Brooks, Ashley Brown, Brandon Close, Jason Harnish;

Lance Harnish, Shane Harnish, Leslie Latta, Tommi Latta, Leah Jo Mackie, Jami Ralston;

Wendell Ralston, Randi Renner, Ronda Renner, Kelly Shield-knight, Dallas Trosper, Paul Trosper;

Brandon Vanderburg, Holly

Venneman, Jeryme Hunter, Pat Hunter, Haley Lair, Joel Shields; Pat Shields, Chris Strawn, Mikki Strawn, Brandon Sutton, Jamie Sutton, and James Tindell.

These Hansford County youth will be showing 19 market steers, five market lambs, and 20 market barrows in the Houston Show.

Representing 817 Texas 4-H clubs and FFA chapters, the junior show is expected to exceed 12,000 entries this year. A variety of animals are shown in the junior show division: market steers, market swine, market sheep, market poultry, beef and dairy heifers, breeding sheep, goats, commercial steers and breeding rabbits.

The four market animal categories represent animals raised by the exhibitor as food sources. Top animals in each of these categories are eligible for their individual market auctions. Total money paid in 1988 at the four junior show auctions exceeded \$4 million.

All net proceeds from the annual Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo provide funds for scholarships and research projects throughout the state. Currently, more than 1,000 students receive some form of Show-sponsored financial assistance, with 34 research projects funded. More than 6,000 volunteers ensure the success of each year's event.

This year's event begins with horse show competition, Thursday, Feb. 16 followed by other livestock competition beginning Saturday, Feb. 18. The first rodeo performance will be held at 4 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 19. All events conclude March 5. A total of 22 star entertainers are scheduled to perform during the rodeo's run.

Saturday matinee performances begin at 11 a.m. and the Sunday, Feb. 26 matinee performance begins at 1 p.m. The first and final Sunday performances, Feb. 19 and March 5, will be held at 4 p.m. All evening performances begin at 7:45 p.m.

Ticket prices range from \$4 to \$10 and include admission to the horse show (excluding National Cutting Horse Association sponsored events), the livestock show and the rodeo. Tickets can be purchased at all Ticketron and Rainbow Ticketmaster outlets and the Astrodomo box office.

## Lynx beat Panhandle

The Lynx Varsity dealt Panhandle a 49-42 loss last Friday night, in the Spearman varsity gym before a home crowd. The last time the Lynx played the Panthers, the Lynx lost 52 - 66. This win puts the Lynx's district record to 4-4.

Carson Womble lead all scorers with 14 points, one of his better games. Pat Shields came through with 11, J Garnett and Ron McCown had 7 each, Shawn Cook had 6 and Jerold Blan and Haskell Garrett added 2 each.

## Lynx battle Hornets; take 42-37 loss

The Lynx jumped to a spectacular 16-0 lead in the first quarter Tuesday night against Highland Park.

At halftime the Spearman Lynx lead 27-18 but was unable to hold on to that lead in the third quarter and went into the fourth quarter trailing 42-37. The Lynx were unable to regain the lead from the Hornets and were defeated 44-53 in a hard fought game.

Carson Womble lead the Lynx with 14 points followed by Shawn Cook with 10. J Garnett added 8 points, Ron McCown had 7, Pat Shields had 3, and Jerold Blan added 2. The Lynx travel to W.T. Friday night for their last district game.



Carson Womble puts one in for the Lynx Friday night against Panhandle. Carson Womble is standing by to rebound if necessary. photo courtesy Anthony Wilkerson

## Hendricks, Fisher get honors at banquet

At the Chamber of Commerce annual banquet held on Saturday, Feb. 4 award presentations were made to local citizens. Nina Hendricks was the recipient for the "Citizen of the Year" award, and R.C. (Pete) Fisher received the "Citizen Over the Years" honor.

Nina Hendricks was born in Spearman. She is married to Don Hendricks and is the mother of Spearman residents Danny Hendricks and Vicky Bullard and another son, Rick Hendricks of Washington state.

Among her contributions to the citizens of Spearman are her service as a volunteer firefighter, a severe weather watcher and an emergency medical technician.

She was also noted for her efforts in visiting the sick and helping the elderly. Hendricks was recognized for her unselfish behavior in performing menial work for others, such as cleaning houses, mowing lawns and caring for animals.

Another citizen honored for his service to the community was R.C. (Pete) Fisher. He is married to Alta Fisher. They have one son, Tim and a granddaughter. Fisher owned and operated Thriftway

grocery for 41 years. He was credited for giving many youth their first job and for donating time and money to Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts and little league teams.

Fisher was also noted for serving the Golden Spread Center as a director and for being an instrumental part of the building of the Hansford County library.

Fisher is a member of the First Baptist Church, a Rotarian, and a past director and president of the Spearman Chamber of Commerce. Among his other contributions to the citizens of Spearman include his anonymous contributions and financial contributions to youth for attending college.

Nominations received on his behalf noted the love and respect he has gained over the years as an employer and the love and respect he showed to employees and the community.

Another local citizen was honored at the banquet, Ron Gibson. He was named as "Employee of the Year" by the Spearman Rotary Club. Gibson has served as manager of the Thriftway grocery store for 14 years. He has two daughters.

## Spearman 7th, 8th, 9th finish season

The last basketball game for the 1988-89 season was played by the 7th, 8th, and 9th grade teams Monday night. The girls finished their season at home against W.T. and the boys traveled to W.T. to

round their year up.

All teams won Monday night except the 7th grade girls and they finished with an exciting double overtime loss ending the year with a record of 6-9. The eighth grade

girls were 12-3 and the ninth grade girls came out with a 16-0 record.

The 7th grade boys earned a 14-1 record, the 8th grade had a 9-6 record, and the 9th grade boys ended up 10-6.

## Two dance students place first in contest

Two students of Carla's Dance Studio in Spearman placed first in the Duo-Trio Jazz category at the Dance America contest held in Dallas on Feb. 4.

Cacy McGill and Haley Lair danced to "Smooth Criminal" to gain their first place win. The two students, along with their teacher, Carla Barkley, attended the Dance Olympus convention all day Sunday, Feb. 5. They learned new techniques and routines. Margie Evans, also a student of Carla's Dance Studio, attended the convention too. However, she was unable to compete in the contest because she went on tour with Dance Olympus last summer all over the United States.

## Jackson gets 4.0 at FPC

Tammie Jackson, a 1981 graduate of Spearman High School, attended Frank Phillips last semester (Fall 88) and had a 4.0 grade point average. At FPC students must have a 3.0 or above to make the Dean's Honor Roll and a 4.0 to make the President's Honor Roll and must also carry 12 or more semester hours. Jackson had just started back to school with a light load taking only ten semester hours. So, while she met one part of the requirement for President's Honor Roll with her 4.0 G.P.A., she fell 2 hours short of the other requirement.

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# Sororities choose Valentine Sweethearts for 1988-89 year

## Gamma Gamma Laurente

Gamma Gamma Laurente has selected Gwen McLain as their Valentine Queen for 1989. She is the wife of Don McLain and the mother of four children. Mac and Jill are students at Texas Tech. Patrice is a busy homemaker and nurse who lives in Amarillo, and Mike, a farmer-rancher who resides with his family in Gruver. She also has seven grandchildren which makes a very busy grandmother.



Gwen McLain

McLain is a native of Hansford County. Her parents, the late Buster and Lola May (Bowling) Cator were from pioneer families of our county.

McLain graduated from Gruver High School and attended the University of Colorado at Boulder and Texas University in Austin. She joined Beta Sigma Phi in 1957 and has held various offices and chairmanships.

McLain is a member of the First Christian Church in Spearman. Her hobbies include bridge, needlepoint and quilt making.

Gamma Gamma feels that McLain upholds their ideas of a woman who is dedicated and gives freely of her time to the cultural and social events in the sorority.

## Preceptor Epsilon Zeta

Preceptor Epsilon Zeta chapter of Beta Sigma Phi announces the selection of Jackie Pearson as their 1988-89 Valentine Queen.

A fourteen-year member, she



Jackie Pearson

has served her sorority chapters as president, vice-president, treasurer and recording secretary. She has twice received the "Program of the Year" award and has been selected as "Girl of the Year."

Pearson is the daughter of Jimmy and Connie Tidwell who pastored the Perryton Methodist Church from 1965 - 1973. After graduating from Perryton High School in 1967, she attended Southern Methodist University and Texas Tech, from which she received a Bachelor of Science degree in Chemistry.

She married Bob Pearson and moved to Spearman in 1974. They are the parents of three daughters: Ginger - 18, Laura - 14, and Carrie - 12. They are members of the Spearman Church of Christ and Jackie sings with the church singers.

She has been very active in her community. Supporting the YMCA, she served on its Board of Directors for three years. She is currently on the Board of Directors of the Chamber of Commerce as the President-Elect. She has been the Retail Merchants chairman for seven years. In 1983 she was honored at the Chamber of Commerce banquet as the Citizen of the Year.

In January of 1979, Pearson began Kids' Stuff business with partners Ginger Pittman and Susan Pearson. They now own stores in Spearman, Perryton, Pampa and

Guymon. The Coronation ceremonies will occur at the Valentine Ball on Saturday, February 11.

## Rho Rho

Tina Wilmeth was chosen as Rho Rho's 1989 Valentine Sweetheart.

She is pledged in Rho Rho in 1986. Tina has served as second vice-president, and social chairman and is currently serving as president of Rho Rho's chapter. She was voted Pledge of the Year in 1986.

She graduated from Spearman High School in 1972. She is married to Frank Wilmeth and they have three children Chrissy, Beau, and Roy.

They are active members of the First Baptist Church of Spearman. Wilmeth stays home with her



Tina Wilmeth

children and involves herself with their activities. In her free time she enjoys being a part of the group Rho Rho of Beta Sigma Phi.

## Xi Zeta (Beta Sigma Phi)

The Xi Zeta Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi announces their selection of 1988-89 Valentine Sweetheart, Mrs. Jeff (Shelly) Beedy.



Mrs. Jeff Beedy

Beedy graduated from Spearman High School in 1976. She then attended Texas Tech University.

She is an active member of Spearman Church of Christ where she teaches Sunday School. She is also involved in PTA and has served as program and membership chairman.

Xi Zeta Sorority members feel very fortunate to have Beedy as a member. She has served as membership chairman, extension officer, ways and means chairman, recording secretary, and member advisor for the group.

She is a homemaker and enjoys sports, reading, and family activities in her leisure time.

She is married to Jeff Beedy. They have three children. The two oldest children, Blake and Brittni, attend Spearman Elementary. Tanner, the youngest is five.

Mrs. Beedy is the daughter of the late D.L. Schumann and Mary Schumann of Spearman.

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## Obituary

### Rose Smith

Rose Smith, 71, of Plainview, died Sunday, Feb. 5 in Lubbock Methodist Hospital.

Services were Tuesday, Feb. 7 at the Garland Church of Christ with Bill Keele officiating assisted by Dean Brooksire of the 9th and Colombia Church of Christ. Burial was in Parklawn Memorial Gardens by Lemon Funeral Home.

She was born Rose Pauline Files on Dec. 17, 1917 in Heber Springs, Ark. She moved to Spearman in 1926. She worked as a caseworker for the National Youth Administration after graduating from high school; and before marrying Jack W. Smith on Nov. 19, 1939 in Stratford.

The couple first moved to Canyon then later to Plainview in 1935. She was a secretary at the 10th and Utica Church of Christ and at Garland Church of Christ and later custodian there until her retirement in 1934. She was a member at Garland Church of Christ and taught kindergarten Bible class for more than 30 years.

Survivors include her husband, Jack, a sister, Anna Mae Swink of Perryton, three daughters, Jacqueline Jones of Corpus Christi, Julia Chambliss of Plainview, and Myra

Mickey of Kress, a son, Wylie Wilford Smith of Plainview and seven grandchildren.

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Hirohito was probably a nice guy but he never struck me as the type who had a lot of fun. I'll bet he

## Waterfield sponsors

## Compensation

## Reform Act of '89

State Representative Dick Waterfield, R-Canadian announced last week that he has signed on as a co-sponsor of House Bill 1, The Workers' Compensation Reform Act of 1989. House Bill 1, authored by State Representative Richard Smith (R-Bryan), is the final product of 18 months of public testimony, research and investigation by the Joint Select Committee on Workers' Compensation Insurance.

"The passage of House Bill 1 is extremely vital for Texas businesses and their employees," said Rep. Waterfield. "The reform is a good start to get things back in order for businesses."

The work of the committee produced the most comprehensive study of Texas' workers' compensation system in 75 years. The most significant of the findings is that currently, Texas' workers' compensation system is ranked as the third most expensive state in the nation in cost to businesses while ranking below average in benefits paid to its injured workers. Recognizing the severity of the problem, Gov. Clements, Lt. Gov. Hobby and Speaker of the House Gib Lewis have all stated that workers' compensation reform is one of their top priorities of the 71st Legislative Session.

H.B. 1 is a complete rewrite of the existing statutes and will make a broad range of reforms including restructuring and renaming the agency which governs Texas' workers' compensation system. Other provisions include significantly increasing the maximum allowed benefits, setting penalties for fraud, moving disputes out of the courtroom, allowing self-insurance under strict guidelines and establishing a division of Industrial Safety to promote work place safety.

Preliminary review of House Bill 1 has brought support from virtually all the business groups in Texas as well as a number of employee, medical and insurance groups.

**CARD OF THANKS**  
We would like to thank James Lair, Matt Lair and Family and Phil Lair and Family for their donation of the hogs for our Ground Hog Dinner.  
The Spearman United Methodist Women

never pinched a Geisha girl, enjoyed a Charlie Chaplin movie, or tried break dancing.

In the early days, he just hung around the palace in a robe and thong sandals.

Later, a press agent no doubt convinced him that his image needed a little work. He switched to a waistcoat, top hat, and rode a white horse in parades. He was a great role model but the style just never caught on with Japanese bronc busters.

But he did have a certain style about him. Remember the characteristic pose as he sat straightbacked with that dull expressionless stare? It was the same kind of look every father gives to his daughter's first date.

Then the war years brought chaos, defeat, humiliation. Post war years brought Honda, Mitsubishi, Omagoshamighty. It was a case of Buddha vs. Bubba.

Through it all, his highness stared straight ahead like a Sumo

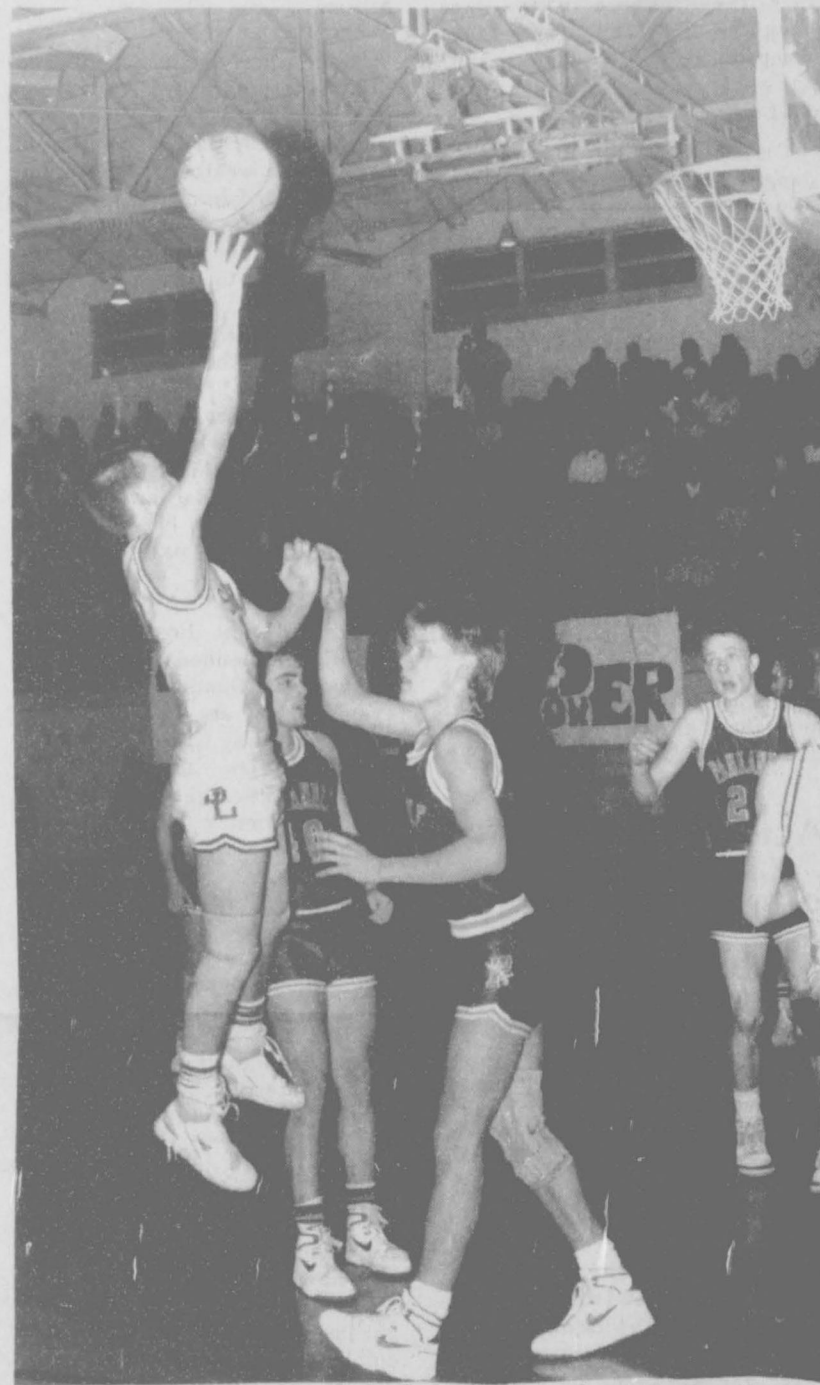
wrestler who has just discovered that his loin cloth is not sanitized.

So here is one of the world's most famous leaders. How many of you can remember anything he said? Not just anything important, I'm talking anything. Smart guy. Some people can speak several languages. Hirohito could stare in all of them. A stare is seldom misquoted although it drove the court jesters to Hari Kari.

I've always suspected that just for kicks, the emperor was the source of the computerized voice messages in Japanese cars:

- "Fasten seat belts."
- "Door not closed."
- "Take off shoes."
- "Make car payment."

Everyone agrees he was a gentle leader who worked for world peace. He lived a full, long life and died with dignity. He slipped away peacefully, his mission on earth complete as an aide whispered in his ear, "We just foreclosed on Pearl Harbor."



J Garnett leaps for this shot when the Lynx beat Panhandle last Friday night. photo courtesy Anthony Wilkerson

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# Among the Neighbors

by HELEN FISHER

Lometa and James Sparks are back at home after a trip to Austin to be with her sister, Dixie Ruth Buckner Gill who was hospitalized. She had suffered a near fatal heart attack, but is recovering and able to leave the hospital.

Congratulations to all those who were recognized for the contribution to Spearman in various manners at the Chamber of Commerce Banquet on Saturday night. They richly deserved the honors.

It was an abrupt change from bikinis to thermal long-johns for Jesse and Dorothy Davis when they reached Amarillo Saturday night.

For eight warm, sunny days they have been on Marco Island, just across the bay from Naples, Fla. They had been visiting their daughter, Delia Kay, and C.M. Sampson as well as their granddaughter and great granddaughter.

On Feb. 2, the little great granddaughter celebrated her first birthday and shared the day with Jesse and Dorothy who were observing their 59th wedding anniversary the same day.

The Davis' were scheduled to return earlier, but twice they drove to Ft. Meyers to emplane for the return trip, only to learn their flight had been cancelled due to the conditions at Dallas-Ft. Worth airport.

Guests of Paul and Betty Hazelwood for several days last week were her brother, Billy Joe Davis, of Garland; her sister, Viola Wallin, and Viola's two daughters, Pat Harris, and Murlina Massey with her son, daughter and granddaughter, all of Garland; also Ph...

and Charlotte Wallin of Kilgore. They were all here for the funeral of Oliver Wallin.

Pauline McGee thoroughly enjoyed last week, since her son Gary Blant, spent the week with her. He is from Abilene.

Mrs. Fern Robinson spent last week with her mother in Vinsan, Okla. Now, it could be that that lean and hungry look on G.W.'s face is the result of his eating his own cooking during her absence.

Thoughtful relatives provided a pleasant birthday for Ina Martin on Sunday. Eddie Gail Martin prepared a birthday dinner for her. It was shared by Mr. and Mrs. Chip Martin, Billy and Sybil Martin, Dick and Lois Allison, and Paul Allison.

Pete Fisher, Louis Schnell and Kent Guthrie returned Wednesday from several days of fishing at Guaymas, Mexico, on the Sea of Cortez. The weather was fine and the trip to and from very pleasant. As to the fishing, in spite of the use of every bait known to man, and two unknown, the results were just mediocre.

During Pete's absence, Alta visited her mother in Cash, Okla.

Mr. and Mrs. T.C. Kitchens returned Sunday from several days with their grandchildren in Tahoka. Their daughter, Barbara and Jack Jaquess were with his father who had undergone by-pass surgery in Lubbock.

Mr. and Mrs. Roger Lowe, of Littlefield, attended the Chamber of Commerce Banquet on Saturday evening. They are the new owners of the Thriftway Grocery and were guests of Mrs. and Mrs. R.C. Fisher. Another guest of the Fishers, also coming for the banquet was her nephew, Buddy King, of Cash, Okla.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Martin and Mary Anne returned late Monday from a long weekend in Littleton, Colo. In spite of the inclement weather, the weekend was very pleasant with their son and family, Dr. Scott Martins. They did have to cancel their plans to ski in Vail.

Attention is called to the letter, printed elsewhere in this issue, written by Don Davis, in tribute to his second grade teacher, the late Thelma Vaughan.

This tribute certainly should be an inspiration to all teachers - emphasizing the long range influence a dedicated teacher could have on students.

To report locals, call 659-3468.



## Activity center offers Saturday youth roundball

3rd and 4th grade girls play on the Y on Saturday mornings. Their coaches are Michelle Goodheart, Jan Williamson, Heather Murrell and Krista Kirkland.

3rd and 4th grade boys also play on the Y on Saturday mornings. Their coaches are Robbie Butts and Shelley Beedy.

5th and 6th grade girls play at the Little Gym and their coaches are Barbara Townsen, Marsha Pipkin, and Tamre Townsen.

5th and 6th grade boys play at the Little Gym and their coaches are Craig Schuman and Brent Kirkland.

## Poem honors former second grade teacher

**EDITOR'S NOTE:** The following poem was written by a former Spearman resident, Don Davis, son of Mr. and Mrs. Travis Davis of Spearman. It was written in memory of the late Thelma Vaughan. She was a school teacher in Spearman for many years and she taught him in the second grade.

**HALF FULL**  
In memory of [Mrs. Bob] Thelma Vaughan, with love

She poured it in.  
She half-filled the cup.  
Such a beautiful lady.  
Such a delicate cup.

It never ran over.  
It never ran dry.  
Such a diligent lady.  
Such a watchful eye.

If you fill it too full  
its harder to hold.  
But they'll only drink half,  
because the rest gets cold.

If you let it run dry  
they'll be gone in a minute.  
And you never know what  
someone else will pour in it.

But she did it just right  
and I think its because  
for each cup she knew  
where the halfway point was.

My second grade teacher.  
I often think of her.  
She kept me half full  
and for that I still love her.

She poured it in.  
She half-filled the cup.  
Such a beautiful lady.  
Such a delicate cup.



Tiki Farrar

## Farrar added to "Who's Who" list

Tiki Jackson Farrar was among the 31 Panhandle State University students recently added to the 1989 edition of Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges. She is the wife of Shawn Farrar and the daughter of George and Scarlett Jackson of Spearman.

Farrar is a business administration major. She has been a member of the Student Senate and treasurer of the Rodeo Club.

Campus nominating committees and editors of the annual directory have included the names of these students based on their academic achievement, service to the community, leadership in extracurricular activities and potential for continued success.

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## Karen's Kozy Korner

By Karen Babitzke

### Accepting Yourself

One of man's unique abilities is to estimate in our mind what will happen before we speak or act. We deliberately select our behavior to achieve certain results and to avoid negative consequences. A primary reference point in selecting our behavior is what we think of ourselves or our self-concept.

When our self-concept is positive we are more apt to try difficult or risky things. When we feel unsure about ourselves or have a negative self-concept we play it safe. Being creative, exerting leadership, striving for excellence, and willingness to cope with difficulty are direct reflections of self-concept. The power of self-concept is to limit or to stretch what we attempt to do.

When the influence of self-concept is overlaid on current statistics about the major problems youth are having, it is immediately evident that a large sector of today's youth population suffers from poor self-concept.

Teen suicide takes 5,000 young lives each year. Another 500,000 attempt suicide. Runaways between the ages of 11 and 17 number over one million. We have 50,000 juveniles in detention because they have nowhere else to go.

Marijuana is the most widely used illegal drug of young people. Emergency rooms will treat 8,000 youth with drug and alcohol related problems. Fifty thousand youth will be hospitalized with valium overdoses. Sixty-three percent of our high school seniors indicate that they have tried an illicit drug. Forty percent of them reported a drug other than marijuana.

Teens say parents know they drink but don't know they use drugs. Fifty percent lie to parents about drugs and 55 percent say parents never ask. The percentage of youngsters under the age of 18 whose mothers work has increased from 39 percent in 1970 to 53 percent in 1980. Nearly one-third of our children are maintained in single-parent families. Many of those families have annual incomes below \$5,000.

Texas is second only to California in the number of pregnancies to girls 14 years or under accounting for almost one-tenth of such pregnancies in the United States. The number of babies born to mothers age 19 years and under is increasing at a rate five times that of all births. Teenagers account for 46 percent of out-of-wedlock births. Thirty-one percent of all abortions were obtained by teenage girls in 1980.

So, what do our youth think of themselves? Seven out of ten youth dislike their own personality. Those that do not like their physical selves think they are too fat, too short, or underdeveloped. Poor self-concept is most closely related to use of drugs, alcohol abuse, dropping out of school, teen pregnancy and suicide. Many youth problems stem from or are in some way related to poor self-concept.

It is clear that before they enter their teenage years, children/youth need to develop self-confidence so they can make healthy decisions and resist negative peer pressure.

Beyond that, they need to gain more effective skills for coping so that they are not tempted to turn to alcohol and other drugs as a way of managing stress.

Families, schools and community groups must work together to provide a healthy, nurturing environment that will help children develop skills for growing and for lifelong success.

If you are interested in your children or you work with youth as a volunteer, there will be a program on this subject. Dr. Lynne Thibodeaux and Dr. Martha Couch, 4-H Extension Specialist will be in Spearman to present an informative program on "Self-Esteem." It will be held Tuesday, Feb. 14 at 7:30 p.m. in the Extension Homemakers Clubroom (309 N. Bernice). For more information, contact Karen Babitzke, Hansford County Extension Agent at 659-2030 or 733-2901.

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