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## At A Glance

### ACT PLAN Program

Tenth grade students have the opportunity to take part in ACT's PLAN program on Friday, October 6. This is the only time PLAN will be offered this year. PLAN, which is often taken in preparation for the ACT Assessment, includes academic tests, a survey of interests, and an assessment of study skills knowledge. PLAN also provides an estimated ACT Assessment score to help students see if they are on track for the college or career of their choice. Participating in PLAN will give students a head start in career and educational planning.

PLAN will be offered Friday, October 6. The cost is \$8.50. Students can receive more information about PLAN or sign up by contacting Mrs. Guthrie at Spearman High School.

All sophomores are encouraged to participate in this program.

### Computer Classes Offered

The Community Resource Office has released the Fall 2000 Computer Class Schedule. The following classes will be offered: Introduction to Personal Computer (very basic beginners class) - Mandy Derington, instructor - October 10, 12 & 17, 7:00-9:00 p.m. - \$50; Introduction to Word - Mandy Derington, instructor - October 31, November 7 & 9, 7:00-9:00 p.m. - \$50.

### Art Contest Open To Spearman Area Students

Arts and Kids announced that it will award \$38,000 in prizes and scholarships for the Annual Art Competition. The contest is open to everyone 17 years of age and younger and entry is free. The deadline for submitting art for the contest is December 31, 2000.

In addition to the 115 scholarships and prizes that will be awarded to young artists, a \$1000 grant will be awarded to the schools of five finalists for art education or to provide supplies or art-related technology.

To enter, send one original work of art, any style and any medium. Include the child's name, address and age on the back. Send artwork to Arts and Kids, Suite 101-2112, 3600 Crondall Lane, Owings Mills, MD 21117. Artwork cannot be returned.

Arts and Kids is an organization dedicated to bringing the work of young artists to the public's attention. In the last 10 years, they have awarded over \$100,000 to talented artists, most of whom have never entered before. Visit their website at [www.ArtsandKids.com](http://www.ArtsandKids.com).

### Terry Clenney Wins First State Bank's Pigskin Picks

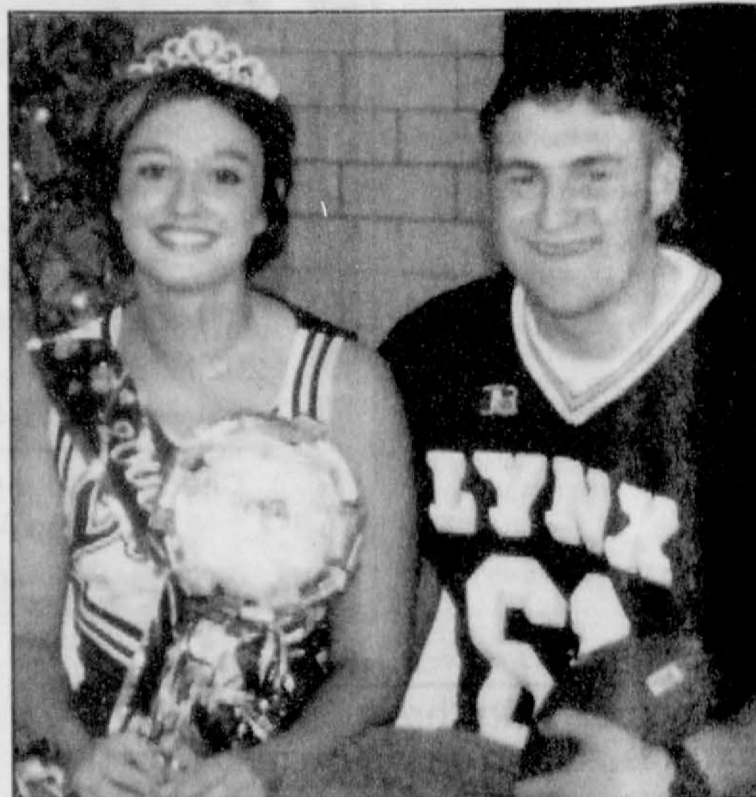
Terry Clenney of Perryton was the winner of the First State Bank's Pigskin Picks for week number two. Terry was the only person who picked all ten games correctly. There were several people who only had one miss.

Terry will receive \$50 cash from First State Bank.

The contest is featured on the Spearman Lynx website, [www.spearmanlynx.com](http://www.spearmanlynx.com). Contestants may access the site, make their game winner selections, and then e-mail their entries to First State Bank.

The weekly contest is open to all residents of Hansford County and also to any Spearman High School student or alumni. Only one entry per person is accepted each week.

# Homecoming 2000



Adrienne Simpson (left) and Clayton Vanderburg (right) were crowned queen and king at the homecoming ceremony held Friday afternoon during the all-school pep rally in the Lynx varsity gym.

Senior attendants were Nicole Lozano escorted by senior king candidate Steven Vasquez and Chelsea Nollner escorted by senior king candidate Richard Varnon.

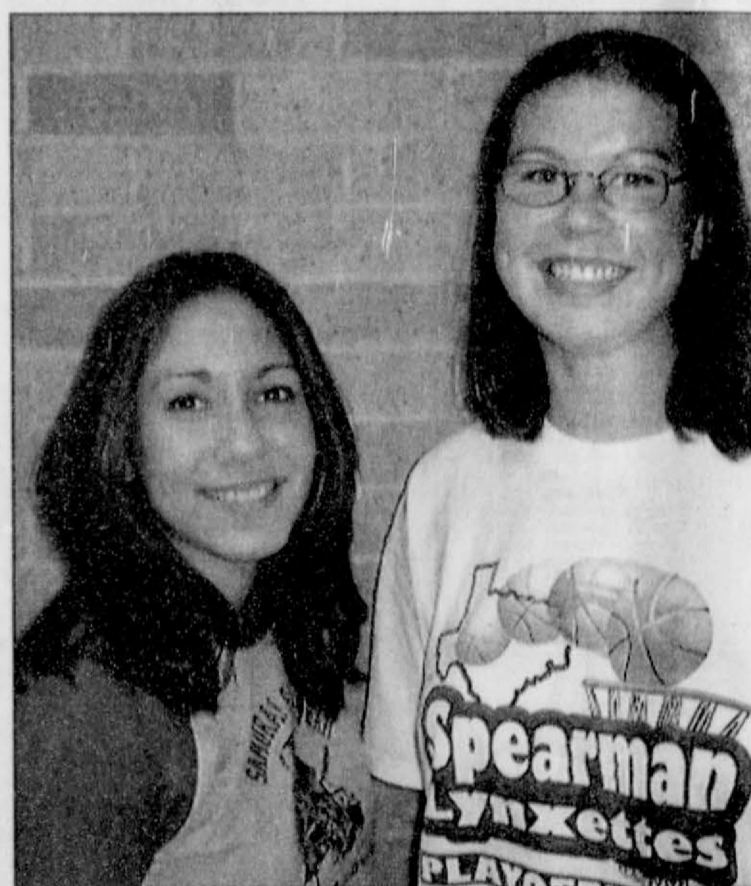
Junior attendant was Cheryl Gibson and sophomore attendant was Jessica Crossland. The freshman attendant was Jentry Edwards. They were all escorted by the senior football players.



During Friday nights ceremonies, the 2000 Homecoming court was escorted by their fathers. They are (Back Row, L-R) Kyle Nollner, Frank Edwards, Lenis Simpson, Phillip Lozano and Junior Crossland; (Front Row, L-R) Chelsea Nollner, Cheryl Gibson, Jentry Edwards, Adrienne Simpson, Nicole Lozano and Jessica Crossland.



Spearman Lynx players look on as Richard Varnon and Jimmy Gaytan celebrate following the Lynx's victory over Sunray on Friday night. (See related story on page 8.)



Allison Haney and Laura Gillaspie

### Spearman Students Advance In District Auditions

Four students competed in the district auditions at Borger on Saturday, September 23rd. Allison Haney and Laura Gillaspie both made the top 20. Allison Haney, Spearman High School senior earned 19th out of the 109 competing. Although this is her first year competing in the auditions, she is involved in the Crossroads youth band as well as worship team at the Union Church.

In her second year of competition, Laura Gillaspie, a Spearman High School junior achieved 14th place out of the 54 in the competition. She is a member of the First Baptist church adult choir as well as the Baptist All-State Choir.

Junior Bethanie Flores and Sophomore Mindee Gillaspie also competed and finished in the top 3rd of their voice classifications.

The district auditions had no school classifications, bringing schools from classes 4A and 5A as well as 2A schools such as Spearman.

"I am very proud of the work they have done, considering there were 4A and 5A schools competing," said Lora Hoffman, Spearman High School Choir Director.

Allison Haney and Laura Gillaspie will advance to regional auditions on October 28th at Caprock High School in Amarillo.

All-region leads to area and then to state competition.

## Thank You!

The Board and Staff of the Hansford County Library would like to thank the following people who have made donations to the Mary Alice Gibner Endowment Fund for our library as of Monday, October 2nd:  
The Hansford County Library has begun a local matching fund drive for the Mary Alice Gibner Endowment. The goal for local donations of \$20,000 will give the library an endowment of \$100,000 or more after the matching grants.

Total collected to date: \$25,120.00  
Amount needed to meet goal: \$ 0.00

As you can see, we have met our matching funds goal. We hope that this will not discourage anyone from contributing that has not already done so. All donations will still go into the endowment fund enabling us to build an even larger amount than we had hoped for. Thank you to a very generous community! Watch for an announcement about Stinson Gibner/Enron Appreciation Day coming soon!

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# Laugh and Live



by Catherine R. Smith  
CathyRSmit@aol.com

*My dear friend Kim Lackey had a beautiful baby girl last Thursday. Although Kim had a few problems, both she and Halley are doing very well now.*

*I would like to dedicate this column to her and say that I don't know what I would do without her!*

## The A-to-Z of Friendship

*A Friend....*

- (A)ccepts you as you are*
- (B)elieves in "you"*
- (C)alls you just to say "HI"*
- (D)oesn't give up on you*
- (E)nvisions the whole of you (even the unfinished parts)*
- (F)orgives your mistakes*
- (G)ives unconditionally*
- (H)elps you*
- (I)nvites you over*
- (J)ust "be" with you*
- (K)eeps you close at heart*
- (L)oves you for who you are*
- (M)akes a difference in your life*
- (N)ever Judges*
- (O)ffers support*
- (P)icks you up*
- (Q)uiets your fears*
- (R)aises your spirits*
- (S)ays nice things about you*
- (T)ells you the truth when you need to hear it*
- (U)nderstands you*
- (V)alues you*
- (W)alks beside you*
- (X)-plain things you don't understand*
- (Y)ells when you won't listen and*
- (Z)aps you back to reality*

## A Friend

*A friend is someone we turn to  
When our spirits need a lift,  
A friend is someone we treasure  
For our friendship is a gift,  
A friend is someone who fills our lives  
With Beauty, Joy, and Grace  
And makes the world we live in  
A Better and Happier Place.*

*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 :)

by Don Taylor

Don Taylor is the co-author of Up Against the Wal-Marts. You may write to him in care of Minding Your Own Business, PO Box 67, Amarillo, TX 79105.



Most youngsters utter these words: "When I grow up, I want to be..." Then they call out whatever vocation is the most appealing to them at the time. I, too, spoke those words many times as a boy. My early aspirations included being a cowboy, a baseball player, a race car driver, a highway patrolman and a country singer.

In recent years, as I've developed some experience in business writing, I've dreamed of writing humor. I enjoy the humorous writings and wit of Will Rogers, Mark Twain, Lewis Grizzard and Erma Bombeck. I read, I laugh and I wonder how they developed their funny styles.

Perhaps, it was genetic. Something in their DNA just trips little switches in their brains and they think of funny things to say or write. Maybe they just have a warped way of looking at the world and some of us think it's funny. Or, possibly they developed the skill.

If humorous writing is a skill that one can acquire, maybe I could be funny if I practiced. Since this is a fifth Sunday column and I take a little liberty with these columns anyway, maybe I could practice. Would you let me write this column for

fun? Then maybe when I grow up I could be really funny. I promise, I will write a serious column again next week.

**Some Real Country**

When I was young, I sang with a country band. I still enjoy a little country music, particularly the older artists. Some of my favorites include Ray Price, Jim Reeves, Johnny Cash and Conway Twitty. Here are some country songs that never quite made it to the top of the charts. (Shoot, they didn't even make it to the bottom.)

- \*I've Got a Tiger by the Leg.
  - \*Brown Suede Hushpuppies.
  - \*I'm Climbing the Walls Over You.
  - \*Stand by your Van.
  - \*Your Lyin' Lips.
  - \*I Used to Kiss Her on the Lips, but it's All Over Now.
  - \*I'd Take a Gamble on You Baby, but I Hocked My Fuzzy Dice.
  - \*A Pig Farmer's Son.
  - \*You Ain't Nothin' but a Coon Dog.
  - \*I Can't Stop Leavin' You.
  - \*San Antonio Tulip.
  - \*Lariatin' the Breeze.
- Yes indeed country fans, these songs were all near misses. Just a slick turn of a phrase from stardom.
- Not Quite Best Sellers**
- Another thing you won't read about anywhere but here, is all the books that never made it to the best-seller lists. Here are some adult book titles that never made it to the top.
- \*The Underachiever's Guide to Very, Very Small Businesses to Start at Home.

- \*Money Can Make You Rich.
  - \*How I Made \$100 in Real Estate.
  - \*The Tails of Two Kitties.
  - \*In Search of Mediocrity.
  - \*Overcoming Peace of Mind.
  - \*Swim with a Tuna.
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  - \*Risk Without Wealth.
  - \*Gorilla Marketing.
  - \*The Looter's Guide in Increasing Inventory.
  - \*Think and Grow Tired.
- Nearly Grim Fairy Tales**
- And here, are some children's books that you won't find in the

- school library.
  - \*The Cat in the Hat.
  - \*Alice in Disneyland.
  - \*The Little Engine That Didn't Think.
  - \*Green Eggs and Bacon.
  - \*Seven Little Swine.
  - \*The Cinderella.
  - \*Charlotte's WWW.com.
- Alright. I think I have that out of my system. Oh, did you hear about the dog breeder who had vandals cut the tails off all of his puppies? He had to sell them wholesale. He couldn't retail them.

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Pastor - Walter Greaser, Jr.

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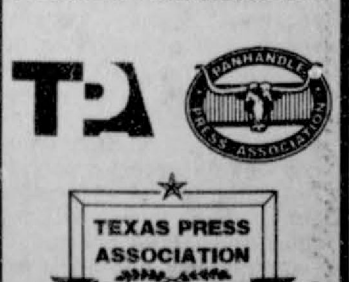
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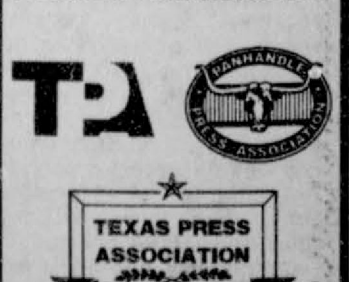
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# Happy Birthday

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**October 5**

**Birthday** - Ernestina Salgado, Richard Lesly, Sue Felder, Kelly Shieldknight, Gladys McIntyre, Carl Kizzar, Glenda Johnson, Kermit Boone, Kelly Cox

**October 6**

**Birthday** - Regina Barkley, Nelle Evans, Doug Ferguson, Theron Pack, Brooke Mayfield, Janet Williams, Donna Burk, Myra Berner, Kenneth Brown, John Nichols, Adina Garza, Carrie McLain, Paulette Laxson, Haley Pletcher

**October 7**

**Birthday** - Rex Casdorff, Pat Dawson, David Miner, Juanita Herron, Kay Ivey, Juan Holgin, Julian David Rodriguez, Michael Cory Hendrick, Clara Gonzales, Wanda Arin, Kayla Carden

**Anniversary** - Mr. & Mrs. Rodney Dale Clawson, Mr. & Mrs. Hack B. Johnson

**October 8**

**Birthday** - Harvey Atwood, Candice Casdorff, Gary Evans, Amber Gross, Wilma Holland, Tandra Seal, Letha Stewart, Kimberly Wagoner, Debbie Avila, William Jarvis, Paulina Nava, JoAnn Eaton, Bert Wofford, Maria Gonzales, Steven Flowers, Kathy Gillispie, Ella Raye Carter

**Anniversary** - Darrel & Linda West, Mike & Pat Cudd

**October 9**

**Birthday** - Angie Lopez, Tammie Osbourne, Rhonda Ward, Rosa Rojas, Shea Crawford, Jerry Hunt, Joe Mack Close, Monty Black, Betty Hazlewood, Joe Archer Jr., Ronnie McCammond, Chris Cummings, Suellen Dahl, Liz Lopez, Joyce Johnson, Mark Matthews

**Anniversary** - Steve & Sheri Benton, Mr. & Mrs. David Armes

**October 10**

**Birthday** - Matthew Brown, Jake Barkley, Kim Blevins, Steve Duncan, Jase Rudolph, Darrell Scroggs, Sherri Cook, Don McLain, Kortney Henton, Edwin Molina, Gary Flowers, Maribel Moreno, Mike Darnell, Jesse Tindell, Cason Finley, McCaully Jo Hart, Verlin Hagerman, Lyn Woolley, Toby Thomas

**Anniversary** - Mr. & Mrs. Mario Molina, Mr. & Mrs. Darrell Messer, Mr. & Mrs. Randy Karlin

**October 11**

**Birthday** - Marco Favela, Doug Frick, Kadie Grotegut, Rod Holland, George C. Lowe, Jim Ratliff, Eleanor Davis, Orville Latham, Steve Mathews, Sonny Nollner, Kathy Lou Biggs, Sara Williamson, Jimmie Harris, Jim Ladd, Eddie Largent, Daniel Gonzales, Dick Smith, Jimmie Harris, Rosa Blain, Jason Blain, Adam Ferguson

**Anniversary** - Mr. & Mrs. Del Roy Gammon

**October 12**

**Birthday** - Erica Alvarez, Lee Bort, Sue Henson, Pat Holt, Jon Jarvis, Kathy Taylor, Lewis Frantz, James Reed Jr., Mendy Riggins, Misty Crooks, Hazel Shieldknight, Danny Hamilton, Cody Mauldin, Marvin Byers, Louis Nava, Jimmy Garrard, Allen Howell, Paula Clemmons, Veronica Ceniceros, Donna Taylor, Jesus Briones

**Anniversary** - Mr. & Mrs. Mack McLain, Mr. & Mrs. Mike Yanke

**October 13**

**Birthday** - Hunter Novak, Andrea Mires, David Grotegut, Carrie Close, Burnell Hos, Mrs. Albert Hahn, Sonny Parker

**Anniversary** - Mr. & Mrs. Jon Jarvis, Mr. & Mrs. Don Evans

**October 14**

**Birthday** - Jerry Hunt, Jennifer Morris, Jeanne Swink, Crockett Tidwell, Kristi Pearson, Roy Lynn Garrard, Jesse Lyn Cowan, Jimmy Snider, Melinda Davis, Michelle Graham Currey, Kyla Nelson Sell, Bert Sheppard, Eddie Whitefield, Gilbert Salgado, Anthony Bravo, Jim Brown, Sue White, Monty George, Charline Laxson, Carlos Trejo, Adrienne Simpson

**Anniversary** - Mr. & Mrs. Bert Wofford

**October 15**

**Birthday** - Jess Wood, Jeffrey Miller, David Martin, Billy Martin, Verna Lee Shirley, Brandi Schneider, Chris Hornsby, Ann Martin, Martha Donahue, Anne Marie Pearson, Bonnie Woolan, Randy Janzen, Joe Garcia III, Allen Varnon, Betsy Holt, Jeff Lackey, Keith Lamb

**Anniversary** - Mr. & Mrs. Lee Nichols, Mr. & Mrs. Mike Stedje, Mr. & Mrs. David Miner, Mr. & Mrs. Tim Fletcher

**October 16**

**Birthday** - Buster Davis, Troy Miller, Tammy Benton, Virginia Fowler, Sammy Graham, Ann Pearson, Lola Newcomb, Joey Avila, James Riley, Landree Woodward, Julie Payne, Meghan Stork

## Our Deepest Sympathy

**Freda L Gaines**

Freda Lenore Gaines of Eureka, died at Medicalodge of Eureka on Wednesday, September 27, 2000 at the age of 91.

She was born February 29, 1909 at Tower Hill, Illinois, the daughter of Jesse and Ora (Jester) Boling. The family moved to Kansas when Freda was a young girl. She was raised in the Oil Valley community near Whitewater, Kansas where she attended rural schools.

On April 24, 1926, Freda was united in marriage to Robert Wesley Gaines in Newton, Kansas. They lived in several oil field camps with Robert's job as an oil field pumper, including the Watch Horn Lease in Marion County, Kansas and later moving to Greenwood County, Kansas residing on the Scott Lease and then the Cartwright Lease. In 1960, they moved to Eureka to make their home.

Freda was a member of the First Christian Church in Eureka and later in life enjoyed attending the Jefferson Street Baptist Church. She also held membership in the Eastwood Rebekah Lodge and the V.F.W. Ladies Auxiliary in Eureka. She was a longtime volunteer with the Greenwood County Hospital Auxiliary and at Medicalodge of Eureka.

Freda is survived by two sons, Richard of Spearman and Franklin of Hamilton, KS; a daughter, Beverly Martin of Eureka, KS; and many grandchildren, great-grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband, a son Robert, an infant daughter, Mary Louise, a great-great granddaughter, and two brothers, Howard and Everett Boling.

Graveside services and interment were held at 2 p.m. Saturday, September 30 at the Greenwood Cemetery in Eureka with the Pastor Alan Hunter of the Jefferson Street Baptist Church officiating.

Memorials have been established in her name with Medicalodge of Eureka and the Jefferson Street Baptist Church of Eureka. Contributions may be sent in care of the Campbell-Kelley Funeral Home, Eureka.

**Ella Ray Carter**

Ella Ray Carter, 85, died Saturday, September 23, 2000.

Graveside services were at 2 p.m. on Monday, September 25, 2000 in Pleasant Hill Cemetery at Balko, Okla., with the Rev. Carol Coulter officiating. Memorial services followed at 4 p.m. at Waka Church of Brethren. Arrangements were by Boxwell Brothers Funeral Home of Perryton.

Mrs. Carter was born in Clarendon and had lived in the area since 1915. She worked for the U.S. Postal Service and was Postmistress at the Waka Post Office from 1963 until retiring in 1978. She was a member of Waka Church of Brethren.

She married Howard Carter in 1934 at Stratford. From 1963 until 1969, she and her husband ran Waka Store. He died in 1994.

Survivors include a son, Howard Carter of Colorado Springs, Colo.; a daughter, Cleta Weemes of Hereford; a brother, Kenneth Kutch of St. Augustine, Fla.; five grandchildren; 10 great-grandchildren; and a great-great-grandchild.


The family suggests memorials be to Ochiltree General Hospice; or Waka Church of Brethren.

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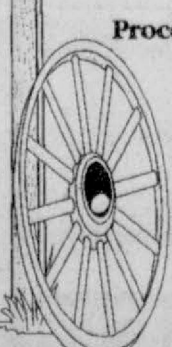
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## HANSFORD HAPPENINGS

**Medical Fund Established For Leah Baker**

Leah Baker, 20-year-old granddaughter of Charlisie and Billy Baker and daughter of Cassie Baker, is in need of a liver transplant. The medication that she has been taking for her liver has done considerable and extensive damage to her teeth. Before she can be put on a donor list to receive the liver, her teeth must be fixed. A medical fund has been set up at the First National Bank by First Baptist Church to help with dental and medical expenses. Any and all help will be much appreciated.

**Mini Bazaar**

The eleventh annual Mini Bazaar will be held on Saturday October 28, 2000. This show is sponsored by the Waka Church of the Brethren and will be held in Perryton TX at the Ochiltree County Exposition Building. Open from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. We are expanding the show to include a wider range of interests this year. We will be open to arts & crafts, small entrepreneurs, antiques, collectible stamps, coins, rocks, guns, or even cars. If you have an interest and are interested in participating, give us a call and we will talk about it. No live animals please. We have a one day Saturday show. We have a congenial, relaxed atmosphere, and we welcome your participation. Our spaces rent for \$15.00 each for an eight foot by eight foot space. This is an annual fund raiser that our Church sponsors, and proceeds are used mainly for capital improvements. If you need information call: 806-435-4515. 806-435-3893. 806-4353874 or 806-435-2104.

**Booster Club Wants New Members**

The Booster Club is wanting new members for the coming year. If you have a child in athletics or just have an interest in Spearman athletics, we could use your help. Anybody interested in joining, please contact Nikki Lozano at 659-2568. If you are interested in advertising on the spearmanlynx.com web site, please call Lenix Simpson at 659-2952. Your business will get a lot of exposure on this site and all the money goes for scholarships for the kids. We appreciate your support!

**Fund Established For Jerald Garcia Family**

The home of Jerald Garcia, formerly of Spearman and now of Borger, was badly damaged in a fire last week. The family lost their home and virtually all their household possessions. Building materials, appliances, furniture and household items are needed. If you would like to make a donation, please contact Nancy Young at 878-2582 or Karen Nicoson at 274-3038. Items may also be delivered to Linda Lujan, 521 W. 3rd in Spearman. A fund for the family has been established at the Wells Fargo Bank in Borger.

**Swing Fiddler To Perform For Community**

Western Swing Fiddler, Randy Elmore will be participating in a community residency in Spearman during the week of October 23-30. Elmore will educate and entertain in Spearman, sharing his tradition as a Western Swing musician. Events will be held in a variety of venues all around Spearman. All presentations are free to the public and are sponsored by the Spearman Chamber of Commerce and Texas Folklife Resources. This program is made possible in part by funding from the National Endowment for the Arts and the Texas Commission on the Arts. For a schedule and further information, contact Gina Gillespie at 806/659-5555, www.spearman.org or Spearman@arn.net.

**4-H Dog Care & Training Project**

A 4-H project in Dog Care & Training will be held Saturday, October 14, 2000 from 8 a.m. to 12 noon, at the Spearman County Barn. Any child in third grade and older can participate. Dogs must be brought on a leash. Call Audra Thomas or the County Extension office (659-4130 or 733-2901) for more information.

**4-H Smoked Meat Sale**

4-H members across Hansford County are selling smoked meats for their annual fund raising efforts. Products available include smoked hams, turkey, peppered turkey breasts, and sausage links. Funds benefit the awards program and recognition banquet for all 4-H members. Orders must be received by October 18th, with a delivery date before Thanksgiving. Please contact a 4-H member or call the County Extension Office at 659-4130 or 733-2901 to place your order.

**Raffle Tickets On Sale For Troy Aikman Autographed Football**

The Spearman Booster Club is selling raffle tickets for an autographed football by Troy Aikman of the Dallas Cowboys. This will be a collector's item, so be sure and get your tickets now. Aikman will probably be in the "Ring of Honor" at Texas Stadium one of these days, and this football could be worth a lot of money. Tickets are \$1.00 each and can be purchased from any booster club member or come by Prairie Motors where tickets are available. Proceeds will go to the booster club. We appreciate your support!

**Flu Shots**

Flu shots will be given at the Gruver Golden Age Center on Thursday, October 12th from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. There is no charge for Medicaid recipients, others are \$12 each. The shots will be given by Dr. Holland of Borger. Gruver volunteer assistants will be Merry Sparks, Linda Tidwell, Pat Irwin, and Beth Swink, according to Ada Joyce Stedje, Golden Age President.

**20th Annual Festival of Arts & Crafts**

Wesley United Methodist Church will be hosting its 20th Annual Festival of Arts & Crafts on December 2, 2000 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., at the Community Center in Hereford, TX. Only a limited number of booths are available, with applications being screened. Booth fee is \$10.00. Applications may be obtained by writing to Ellen Collins, 801 Miles St., Hereford, TX 79045 or by calling (806) 364-0774.

**Musical Jam Session At Golden Spread Senior Center**

On Thursday, October 5th the first musical jam session for the fall of 2000 will be hosted by the Golden Spread Senior Center at 502 S. Brandt. The jam sessions will be held the first Thursday night of every month from 7 - 9:30 p.m. All musicians and singers are welcome as well as those who like to just come and listen. And yes, toe-tapping and clapping are allowed. Come on down - you won't be sorry you came. Call Kathy at 659-3866 with any questions.

**Frank Phillips College Hosts Annual Show Pig Sale**

The Frank Phillips College Agriculture Department is hosting the annual Show Pig Sale on Thursday, October 5th at 7 p.m. at the Frank Phillips College Agriculture & Welding Technology Building. For more information, call Buddy Curry at (806) 274-5311 or 1-800-687-2056 ext. 790 or (806) 273-8693.

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## Blowin' In The Wind

by Dwayne Mitchell

From chicken to horse. After finishing the Hummer mill with its chicken weight, the Southwestern Windmill Association is now restoring a Dempster No. 4, or mostly No. 4, from the J. B. Buchanan collection. The No.4 is noteworthy as a vaneless mill with a short tailed horse for a counterweight.

The Dempster No. 4 has the distinctive red and white markings like the Dempster at First State Bank, but will, when erected, display a folding wooden wheel. Location of the Dempster will be in the Windmill Park as the emphasis of the SWPA now is to get the entire Buchanan collection moved, restored and in place in the park by June, 2002.

In addition to the SWPA, the Showtime Car Club has begun restoring a mill. The club has taken as its project a Challenge 27 mill. The mill will be disassembled, cleaned and restored to working order. The wheel, a 14-footer, will be galvanized and put on a 25-foot tower and will be an impressive addition to the park.

In an interesting confluence of old technology of the wind machine and the relatively new computer technology, Ron Antalek has established a web site which includes the windmill collection in Spearman. It is a very extensive site and will eventually feature articles about each mill in Spearman, pictures, etc. You can visit the web site at [www.antden.com](http://www.antden.com). We're on the worldwide web!

The trailer given to the SPWA has been equipped with a mill and a sign and made its debut in the Perryton Wheatheart parade. It will be in the Lipscomb parade on Labor Day weekend.

And last, but not least, many decorator mills are beginning to appear in Spearman. A very beautiful and colorful mill has been erected by Mr. and Mrs. Claude Sheets, Jr. on East Kenneth by their residence.

So, after a fruitful summer of work in which five mills have been erected, SPWA now has several mills to restore, more towers to build and materials to gather as it continues to build Spearman's collection of mills.

## TOPS Meeting Report

For the last two months, the TOPS had an average of 13 weighing in and eight staying for the meetings. Lillian Cooksey and Janie Jeffries were Queen for July. Janie was also the "Inspirational Angel."

Reba Hunter gave a program "Hidden Fat in Your Diet."

Louise Heddins won the Flower Contest, receiving a welcome plaque. Ida Hendrick won a Fruit Basket. Connie Gammil read an inspirational reading, "A Mountain to Climb."

Louise Heddins gave the program, "Good, Bad and the Awful" assisted by Deena Ramsey, Connie Gammil, Janie Jeffries and Reba Hunter.

Connie Gammil gave a program "10 Reasons How TOPS Can Tip the Scales in Your Favor." The topic for Ida Hendrick's program was "I Don't Believe in Defeat."

Ida and Lillian won the fruit bowl. On August 29, Louise Heddins won the Fruit Basket. They sang "Happy Birthday" to Mildred Lewis. They also voted on Inspirational Angel by secret ballot to be sent to Area Rally. Ida Hendrick presented a program entitled "How to Maintain and Keep Off Pounds."

Reba Hunter won the fruit basket. Louise Heddins became a KOPS, which means she met her weight goal. Louise Heddins was Queen for

August as well as Inspirational Angel. Connie Gammil gave a program "Good Habits."

On September 12, Janie Jeffries won the fruit bowl. Louise Heddins' name was drawn to receive a gift. Deena Ramsey read "Stress and How We React to It."

On September 19, Reba Hunter opened the meeting with TOPS pledge. Connie read "Grandparents Day." Marilyn Been gave a program entitled "Ice Cream for the Soul," "TOPS - Ten Ways to Feel Good About Yourself," and "Joys of Womanhood."

They sang "One Day at a Time." We made plans for "The Area Rally" at Midland.

Deena Ramsey, Winnie Vernon, Reba Hunter and Louise Heddins attended the meeting on September 23, 2000.

Deena Ramsey received a certificate for Special Angel, Leaders and a door prize.

Winnie Vernon received certificates for "Over 90", secretary, KOPS for four years, candle charm for weight loss and the center piece on the table.

Ida Hendrick won a candle charm for weight loss. Louise Heddins won certificates for special angel, KOPS, a WOW pin for weight loss and a door prize.

## Engagement Announcement

Rex and Brenda Black of Muleshoe and Kevin and Ronda Bynum of Spearman announce the engagement of their children, Katie Black and Josh Bynum.

Katie is a 1998 graduate of Muleshoe High School. She is currently attending West Texas A&M majoring in Secondary Education, specializing in Biology and Chemistry. She is currently employed by student support service at WTAMU as a tutor.

Josh graduated from Spearman High School in 1998. He is majoring in Plant Science at West Texas A&M University. He is interning with a crop consultant.

Their wedding will take place at First Baptist Church in Muleshoe on December 30, 2000. A reception will immediately follow.

Upon completion of school, Katie plans to teach in a small town high school and Josh plans to pursue a career in crop consulting.

## Council Names Congressman Combust To Legislative Honor Roll

The Southern Economic Development Council (SEDC), the oldest and largest regional economic development professional association in North America, named the Honorable Larry Combust to its 2000 Legislative Honor Roll Award.

"Through this award we recognize the diligent and consistent efforts of legislators to support and enhance the economic vitality and growth within the American South," said Gene Stinson, president of SEDC.

About 100 awards were sent to SEDC state directors to be personally delivered to the recipients. SEDC has more than 1,200 members representing a variety of backgrounds. From local, regional and state development agencies, chambers of commerce, business and industry, utilities, transportation, finance and education, members share a common interest: the promotion and enhancement of the economic development profession.

To find out more about SEDC, visit their website at [www.sedc.org](http://www.sedc.org).

## New Books in the Hansford County Library

Everything One-Pot Cookbook by Rogak; Leaking Laffs Between Pampers & Depends by Johnson; Everything Games Book by Fitzsimmons; Buried Evidence by Rosenberg; Wild Justice by Margolin; The Bear and the Dragon by Clancy; Get Your Degree Online by Helm; When Aging Parents Can't Live Alone by Rubenson; Mastering Algebra: Intermediate Level by Hamilton; Mastering Algebra: Advanced Level by Hamilton; Occupational Outlook Handbook; Book of Dreams by Innes; Texas Cowboy Cooking by Perini; Move to Shrike by O'Shaughnessy; The China Bride by Putney; Island of Dreams by Stone; House of Dreams by Joyce; Didn't My Skin Used to Fit by Bolton; Not Without You by Taylor; After the Parade by Garlock; The First Time by Fielding; The Switch by Brown; A Sight for Sore Eyes by Rendell; Easy Money by Siler; Zero Option by Deutermann; Smoke Screen by Patrick; Irish Rebel by Roberts; Irish Hearts by Roberts; Not a Day Goes By by Lynn; Morgan's Run by McCullough; The Putt at the End of the World by Abbott; Bonding by Klaus; The Blind Assassin by Atwood; Pagan Babies by Leonard; Little Bighorn Remembered by Viola; Beyond The Valley by Lacy; The Temptation by Moser; Shattered by Francis; Complete Guide to Networking by Norton; LAN Wiring by Trulove; TCP/IP for Dummies by Leiden; A+ Certification for Dummies by Gilster; Buying & Maintaining Personal Computers by Howden; Open House by Berg; In Search of England by Wood; The Sky is Falling by Sheldon; Hong Kong by Coonts; Everything Build Your Own Homepage by Binder; Everything Christmas Book by Bevilacqua; The Man Who Ate the 747 by Sherwood; Even Steven by Gilstrap; Four Blondes by Bushnell; Innocence by Mendelsohn

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## Out At The Lake

by Dorothy Hudson

Lake Depth-October 2, 2000--49.52 feet

Before the heat spoiled the fishing, Kent Ruble of Spearman caught a 17.75 pound catfish. Jim was attending the State Water Board meeting in San Antonio and didn't get a picture.

One of the highlights of the meeting was hearing Boone Pickens give his reason for wanting to send water under his Panhandle Ranch to San Antonio and other parts south.

The Fellowship Baptist Church of Spearman had the shelter Sunday afternoon. There were 4 campers behind the dam and 5 on the office side. The weekend was active with several boats out.

I have been asked if we found the location of the Rifle Pits on our day with Alvin Lynn and others mapping the old Fort Dodge-Fort Bascom Trail. No, the spot has not been authenticated. Historical evidence tells us it in the area of the ranches just north of the dam, but the metal detectors have not brought up the artifacts that should be found.

Alvin did use his metal detector some, but the ground is so hard from the drought that it was difficult to dig the hits. Several items, such as leaded tin cans, were found, but nothing said an army camped here. He said the detector was more sensitive when there was some moisture in the ground, and, of course, it would be easier digging.

Remember that we had two groups of men camping on the Palo Duro. Captain Penrose had set out on November 11, 1868, with 351 men (the bulk of whom were black soldiers) a 220-mule pack train carrying rations for 30 days, an ambulance, and a wagon loaded with picks, shovels, axes, and other implements. On December 1, he had made camp on the Hackberry Creek. Two days later he sent almost 60 men back to Fort Lyon

and soon moved over to the Palo Duro, where he set up camp to await General Carr's forces. It is conceivable, since they had shovels, that they began digging pits similar to rifle pits that became little dugouts that were much warmer than staying on top of the ground in a snow storm.

General Carr had a force of 7 Companies of the 5th Cavalry plus 67 infantry men. He had 100 pack mules and 130 wagons. Bob Izzard used the figure of 700 men in the command, including scouts and wagon drivers. He did not join Penrose on the Palo Duro until Dec. 23. He found Penrose's Command in a deplorable state--both men and horses. Carr was not happy about the camp and looked down the creek for a better one. Usually that would mean downstream, but occasionally it meant south. Carr did write that Penrose's camp was 20 miles south of the point where the Beaver River and the Palo Duro join.

## Community Resource Program To Offer Spanish Classes

The Community Resource Program is giving those persons interested in ESL, English Second Language, or Conversational Spanish I or II an opportunity to sign up for these classes.

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# Among The Neighbors

by Helen Fisher

Helen Etter returned early last week from more than two weeks touring the Hopi and Navaho Indian Reservations and also those in the Santa Fe area.

One of her friends in Santa Fe, originally from an eastern state is interested in the Indian culture and has made close personal contacts with those on the reservations. She handles much of the handiwork produced by the Indians in her shops in Santa Fe.

Occasionally she takes small groups on tours so they can get good insights of the customs by personal contacts.

The tour group was from several states from various parts of the U.S. They were very diversified, but all were interested in Indian Culture.

They met in Santa Fe, toured Gallop, then to Window Rock where the Navaho tribal headquarters are. Because of the tour guide's friendships, the group could go into homes as well as the shops. All were impressed by the delicacy and perfection of the handiwork of the silversmiths, the goldsmiths, the potters and others.

At Politts on the Hopi reservations, they also had access to the homes. They - the Hopi - are equally talented craftsmen. Their wood-carving and leather work were outstanding.

Later in the Santa Fe area, the group was impressed by the Indians there, well educated and articulate.

Those here who read the editorial page in the Amarillo paper may have noticed the letter from Dick Countiss. Formerly of Spearman and a judge in an appellate court, he is now in private practice in Houston. Karen Countiss was in Santa Fe that week and visited Helen Etter.

The Sheriff's Association of Texas held the 122nd Conference in Lubbock recently. In addition to sheriff's, there were federal, state, county and city officers in attendance.

The Greg-McFarlin-Banks Award was presented by Kaye McFarlin to Sheriff Lopez of Jim Wells County. The annual award, presented to an outstanding officer, includes a pistol, a plaque and \$500.

Sony Patterson, that kid cowboy from the river breaks, is expecting to be horseback in a few days. Last Tuesday, he underwent gall stone surgery at Baptist-St. Anthony's in Amarillo.

He returned home Friday and except for four punctures is in fine condition.

Max and Dorothy Baggerly, formerly of Spearman, were pictured in the Sunday Amarillo News, dancing. They were attending the annual dinner given by BankOne in appre-

ciation of Meals on Wheels Volunteers.

The caption under the picture of the laughing couple stated they "kick up their heels."

Stephanie and Junior Crossland with Cindy and Monty Blackman, among the very few Spearman diehard Texas Rangers fans, attended the last home game of the season last Saturday. They played the Los Angeles Angels in a dull game. The only highlight was seeing Palmeiro hit his 400th home run.

They drove down on Friday, returning Sunday. The ladies enjoyed some antique shopping.

On Tuesday evening, September 26, Charles Elliott, with daughter, Amber, was driving north on #207 and turned to go to their home on 9th Street. He inadvertently struck another vehicle, also going north.

Amber was taken to Hansford Hospital, then transferred to Northwest Texas hospital via ambulance. She suffered a broken right jaw and is now recovering at home. The jaw is wired shut which means a liquid diet for a while.

The driver of the other vehicle was treated for a broken wrist at Hansford Hospital. He is from Pampa.

Richard and Betty Gaines attended the funeral of his mother, Mrs. Freda Gaines in Eureka, Kansas. She passed away on Thursday after a long illness. Peggy and Allen Varnon and Glenda Close also attended the service.

Those watching TV Channel 7 late Saturday night were delighted to see Jennifer Laxson performing in the WTAMU students skits. It was entitled "Dead Air". Jennifer, a sophomore at WT was in two skits and one commercial. The group will be presenting other skits each Saturday night.

Jennifer, daughter of Paulette Laxson, also appeared in some shows last year.

Lynanne Maize, Secretary-Treasurer of the Hansford Cemetery has been concerned for those wishing to make a memorial donation while she and Don are out of town. Most donors want the families to know before all the relatives leave after the service.

To send cards in a timely manner during her absence, she has enlisted the help of Helen Fisher. She can be reached at 659-3468.

Dwayne's weather records for the week of September 25 to October 2 at 7 a.m. shows the highest temperature was on September 1 at 101 (not a typo); the lowest on September 25 at 33 degrees; moisture was .08 on September 25.

# The Gruver Grapevine

by Harletta Carthel

## Local Resident Honored

B.J. Renner and former Spearman resident Bill B. Kennedy, now of Texline, were honored at the Veterans of Foreign Wars Candlelight and Remembrance Ceremony in Amarillo on September 23.

The event honored all United States Servicemen who fought in the Korean War, as well as prisoners, ex-POW's, and those missing in action.

Renner and Kennedy were presented medals from Jimmy Tak, representing the Korean government, in appreciation of their service in the Korean War.

Veterans of the Korean War will also be honored with medals by the United States government later in the year.

## Cross Country Runs Well

The Lady Hounds made a good showing in the Wheeler Cross Country meet on Saturday. Due to injuries four runners - Christi Clift, Judy Luciano, Cassie Myatt, and Courtney Goad, the Lady Hounds competed in the junior varsity division.

Elizabeth Duncan took first place honors with a 14.50 time. Carley Bryson posted a 15.31 for third place, Lori Swink, 15.37, for fourth place; and Teal Ames, 16.52.

In the junior high division, Lindsay Clift paced Gruver runners with a 21st placing followed by Samantha Myatt, 22nd, Allison Reid, 33rd, Lacy Fitzgerald, 34th, Liz Lopez, 40th, and Kelly Sue Jones, 63rd.

The Lady Hounds ran in the Guymon Meet on Tuesday, October 3 and will rest this weekend in preparation for the Canadian Meet on October 14. The district meet will be at White Deer on Monday, October 23, at 10 a.m. Nine teams will be competing in that meet.

## Gruver Elementary Featured on Newscast

Gruver teacher Angie Clawson and numerous elementary students were featured on the 6 and 10 p.m. newscast of Channel 4 on Friday.

The students were displaying their tracking of the Olympics and especially Amarillo wrestler Brandon Slay.

The students displayed a letter written by Slay which answered questions posed to him by the Gruver students.

Slay has promised to visit the elementary on his return to the states.

## Get Well Wishes

Taos Weldon, who suffered a concussion while making a tackle in the Stratford game Friday night, will be evaluated by a neurologist this week. He is listed as doubtful for playing this week at Boys Ranch.

Cory Schneider, Chase Lamb, and Anthony Villalobos, who also suffered injuries in the game will also be evaluated, but none are believed to be serious.

Ty Byrd, the son of Mike and Teresa Byrd of Lubbock, has mononucleosis. It is the third incident for the teenager who was involved in a traffic accident several weeks ago and then underwent surgery for an unrelated problem.

Edith Wright has been in Hansford Hospital.

Geneva Eddleman's new address is Room 115B, Hansford Manor, 701 S. Roland, Spearman, Texas 79081

Lane Seagler, the infant son of Trent and Amy Seagler of Dumas, is now home after being hospitalized with RDS.

## Managers, Filmer Noted

In the Stratford football program this week, Gruver listed the managers and filmer of the Gruver Greyhounds. These seven people do so much to make the team its best, and it is rewarding to see them listed as the vital parts of the team that they are.

Managers for the 2000 season are Kasey Harris, Adam Stinar, Colby Griffin, Earl Griffin, Guy Paul Hindergardt, and Scott Hindergardt. The team filmer is Evan Schmidt.

## Little Miss Arrives

Don and Peggy Dillow proudly announce the birth of their granddaughter Moira Katherine Dillow. The new arrival, who was born on September 8, 2000 at 11 a.m., is the daughter of Brian and Lisa Dillow. Miss Dillow weighed 7 pounds and 8 ounces and was 21 inches long. She has an older brother, Harrison Edward.

## October Events Scheduled

Thursday, October 5 - Juniors order senior rings. Junior High Football - Booker, here, 5 p.m. (Combined game)

Friday, October 6 - Pep rally 3 p.m., Greyhound gym. GHS Football at Boys Ranch, 7:30 p.m.

Monday, October 9 - Senior cap, gowns, and invitations shown.

Wednesday, October 11 - Student holiday, staff development day.

Thursday, October 12 - Seventh, eighth and junior varsity football at White Deer beginning at 5 p.m.

Friday, October 13 - GHS pep rally, 3 p.m. Greyhound Gym. Gruver Booster Club Tailgate Party - Fieldhouse Parking lot. GHS football - First district game, White Deer, here, 7:30 p.m. Fifth quarter for high school at First Baptist Church following game.

Saturday, October 14 - GHS Cross Country Meet at Canadian. GHS Band competes in fall marching contest at Canadian.

Monday, October 16 - FFA District Meeting

Tuesday, October 17 - PSAT Test for juniors. Financial aid workshop for seniors and parents, high school

library, 7 p.m.

Wednesday, October 18 - Immunization clinic 4 p.m.

Thursday, October 19 - Driver Education test in high school library. Junior High game with Wheeler, here, 5 p.m. Pep rally and burning of GHS following games, fieldhouse parking lot.

Friday, October 20 - GHS football at Wheeler, 7:30 p.m.

Saturday, October 21 - UIL Band Marching Contest, Dick Bivins Stadium, Amarillo

Monday, October 23 - District Cross Country Meet at White Deer, 10 p.m. National FFA Convention begins at Louisville, Kentucky. Basketball practice begins.

Tuesday, October 24 - TAAS Exit Writing. Picture retakes.

Wednesday, October 25 - TAAS Exit Math

Thursday, October 26 - TAAS Exit Reading. Pep rally, 3 p.m.,

Greyhound Gym. Junior high combined game, junior varsity games at Claude, beginning at 5 p.m.

Friday, October 27 - Student holiday. Teacher Staff Development. GHS football, Claude, here 7:30 p.m.

Saturday, October 28 - Halloween Carnival 7 p.m., County Barn.

Sunday, October 29 - Daylight Savings Time Ends.

## Gruver Good Guys

Don't ever doubt the dedication of the 2000 GHS Hounds. After a disappointing loss to #2 ranked Stratford on Friday night, the Hounds were voluntarily in the weight room at 7 a.m. on Monday morning to prepare for their next game. The Hounds and Elks may possibly meet along the playoff road ahead, and the Hounds will be ready.

# Charity Penning To Benefit MS

The Panhandle Team Penning Association will hold a charity penning, Pen for MS to benefit the Panhandle Chapter of the National Multiple Sclerosis Society. The penning will be held Saturday, October 7th at the Bill Cody Area in Amarillo beginning at 9 a.m. This event will feature penning teams from throughout the area competing for cash prizes. Become a part of this event as a sponsor or participant and support the Panhandle Chapter of the National Multiple Sclerosis Society. For more information, contact the MS Office at 468-7500 or 1-800-FIGHTMS. The Panhandle Chapter of the National MS Society serves the 29 counties of the Texas and Oklahoma panhandles and four counties in New Mexico by providing a variety of services to help clients live their lives to the fullest.

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# College News

## Sterling College

Eric Varnon of Spearman has been named a Sterling College Kelsey Scholar for the 2000 school year. He was one of 90 students chosen as a Kelsey Scholar for this year.

Eric is the son of Allen and Peggy Varnon.

Sterling College is a four-year, Christ-centered, liberal arts college located in Sterling, KS.

## West Texas A&M University

Two-hundred-ninety-six graduates were honored in the 2000 summer graduation of West Texas A&M University.

Those graduating included Max Frick, Bachelor of Science degree, from the school of Education and Social Sciences, and Jill D. Clement, Bachelor of Science in Nursing degree. Max is the son of Doug and Peggy Frick of Gruver. Jill is the daughter of Joe and Debbie Clement of Spearman.

Receiving a Master's Degree from the School of Agriculture was Justin Dan Carthel. He is the son of Dan and Harletta Carthel of Gruver.

## Sul Ross State University

Sul Ross State University conferred degrees on about 200 graduates during summer commencement exercises held Saturday, August 12 at Graves-Pierce Gymnasium. Alpine campus graduates include Cody McGaha of Spearman, who graduated with a Bachelor of Science in Animal Science.

## Texas A&M University

Approximately 1,900 Texas A&M University graduates received diplomas during summer commencement ceremonies. Shanna Diana Jarvis of Gruver was among those students receiving degrees. She received a Bachelor of Science in Recreation, Park and Tourism Sciences.

## Oklahoma State University

A total of 709 students were awarded degrees from Oklahoma State University at the end of the 2000 summer session, according to the Office of the Registrar.

New graduates included students from 35 states and numerous foreign countries. New graduates include: Joni Janeen Hart of Gruver with a BA in Journalism and Broadcasting, and Bill Jack Pittman with a BS in Agricultural Economics.

## Oklahoma Panhandle State University

Sherry Boyd of Spearman, is a senior at Oklahoma Panhandle State University in Goodwell, OK. She will graduate in December 2000 with her Elementary Education degree. She is currently doing her student teaching at Spearman Elementary under Mary Ann Lasater, second grade teacher. Sherry is married to Willis, and has three daughters, Krista, a sophomore at West Texas A&M University in Canyon, and Amy and Nikki, students at Gus Birdwell Elementary in Spearman.

# Hansford County Jackpot Show Results

Hansford County held their Jackpot show September 30 at the Gruver County Barn. They had 12 heifer entries, 51 steer entries and 86 lamb entries. Aaron Prater was the heifer and steer judge with Jerry Williams as the ringman. Matt Scheltz was the lamb judge with Andy Hefley of PSU as the ringman. We would like to thank our donors: JK Farm and Ranch Supply, Frische Brothers Fertilizer, Equity Elevator Spearman, Sunray Coop Gruver, Cargill Agri Products, Hi-Pro Animal Health-Travis baker, Gigot Irrigation, and First State Bank.

## Heifers

**Single Class Winners:** Chad Scarborough of Spearman - 1st Simgrah

**Class 5 Simmental:** Wayne McCubbin of Spearman - 1st; Travis Brown of Spearman - 2nd

## Steers

**Class II Angus:** Kyna Shields of Spearman - 1st and Breed Champion

**Class III Red Angus:** Brittney Morris of Gruver - 1st and Breed Champion

**Class IV Polled Hereford:** Kyna Shields of Spearman - 1st and Breed Champion

**Class V Charolais:** Melody Shields of Spearman - 1st and Breed Champion; Travis Brown of Spearman - 1st and Reserve Breed Champion

**Class VI Shorthorn:** Brad Holt of Gruver - 1st and Reserve Breed Champion

**Class VII Shorthorn:** Kirby Johnson of Morse - 1st and Breed Champion

**Class VIII Chinania:** Tracy Brown of Spearman - 2nd

**Class XIII Maine:** Rhett Renner of Spearman - 1st and Breed Champion; Taylor Williams of Gruver - 3rd; Travis Brown of Spearman - 4th

**Class XIV Limousine:** Bailey Reid of Morse - 1st and Breed Champion

**Senior Showmanship Steer -** Melody Shields of Spearman

## Sheep

**Class V Medium Wool:** Brian Johnson of Gruver - 9th

**Class VI Medium Wool:** Britney Montgomery of Gruver - 9th

**Class VII Medium Wool:** Tabatha Shields of Morse - 2nd

**Class VIII Medium Wool:** Kyna Shields of Spearman - 1st

**Class VIII Medium Wool:** Tabatha Shields of Morse - 6th; Tara Shields of Morse - 7th

**Class XI Medium Wool:** Tara Shields of Morse - 3rd



Kyna Shields, a member of the Hansford 4-H Club is pictured with the Champion English Breed Steer at the Tri-State Fair in Amarillo. Pictured with Kyna is her sister Melody Shields. Kyna and Melody are the daughters of Lonnie and LeAnn Shields of Spearman.

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# Superintendent's Corner

As an educator, I am always looking for that one new idea that will improve our educational system in order to provide our students with the best education possible. This requires me to read the latest research and to listen and consider what other people see as our problems. You can learn a lot about the state of education by listening to the nightly news or by reading the daily newspaper. Some of these articles validate what we are currently doing while others advocate a completely different style or approach.

Recently, I read an article from a freshman in college. In her opinion, high school did not prepare her for success at the college level. Her article intrigued me, so I called to get permission to reprint it. The article "College Shock" makes some interesting points. As parents, most of us make it our goal for our kids to graduate from high school and attend college. But not all kids who follow this track succeed at the college level. Why? Is it a lack of preparation on the high school's part or is it that our kids cannot handle the freedom when they go away to school. Kimberly Kocurek makes the point in her article that high school students perceive that college is easier than high school because there are fewer restrictive rules and regulations.

This topic might be of more interest to me because I have a son that is starting his second year at college. Like most kids, he took very challenging courses throughout his junior year of high school. During his senior year, he opted out of taking a full load of tough classes because he was afraid of affecting his GPA and class ranking. He wanted to have an easy and fun senior year. I am afraid that we failed him in preparing him for the real world of college life. Just this week, he told me he had spent three days studying for an economics test. I don't think he spent that kind of time...no I know he did not study like that for any test in high school. Why not?

I am not insinuating that we are not preparing our kid to be successful at college. However, I am saying that over the years, I think we have done a disservice to our kids by making things too easy on them. I tell everyone I know, thank God, we

have a Mr. Mitchell teaching senior English. Yes, he is tough, but our kids who go off to college come back telling us that freshman English was a breeze compared to Mr. Mitchell's class. Did he prepare them for success? Sure he did and so did many of the rest of our teachers and classes.

I hope you enjoy this article by Kimberly Kocurek. I am living this article with one son in college and another son in his senior year of high school. My wife and I have backed off this year with Kolby, our high school senior. We are giving him more responsibility. We are not on his case about getting his homework done or the grades he makes. We have decided that it is up to him. We don't get him up in the morning. He sets his own alarm and wakes up on his own to get to school before he is tardy. We have learned a hard lesson. It is up to him to do the work and accept responsibility for his actions. We can encourage him and be supportive, however we are not always going to be there to make him do what he needs to.

"College Shock" is something many of our students experience. How do we prepare them for it - I don't know. I do know that every time we have the opportunity we need to remind them that life is not easy out there and that no one owes them anything. In many instances, life is just not fair. However, what we make out of these situations and ultimately our success depends on what we are willing to put into it.

Seniors, study hard and make this a fun senior year. But don't complain when Mr. Mitchell assigns his critical analysis or when Mrs. Holton assigns more grueling homework in AP government/economic class. We are only trying to get you ready for the real world. As someone once said, "It is either pay me now or pay me later." I challenge you to prepare yourself now in order to reduce the "college shock."

### College Shock

In public education, schools often hand-feed students information, telling them exactly what is expected of them on tests and at times, even telling them the exact questions on tests.

I, for one, was reliant on teachers

such as this, and was happy to find out the majority of teachers, elementary through high school, practice this "tradition."

Some students never studied and did fine on anything handed to them just because teachers were explicit on their assignments, leading students hand-in-hand through their problems and often laziness.

As a senior in high school, I found my last year of public education easy and relaxing.

But as a freshman in college, I have suddenly been hit with the reality that professors have no intention of helping you pass.

It is all up to you!

The problem with this is college professors don't give out the test questions a few days before the test and expect you to basically memorize them.

They tell you what to read, give you information in lectures that you have to frantically write down and hope you are prepared for your first test.

High school, for example, never really required us to take extensive notes over a lecture where the teacher never stopped to repeat important points, unless you were in a pre-advanced placement or advanced placement class.

Public educational institutions should be required to educate their students in ways similar to college.

High schools never really cover more than one chapter at a time and test of each one.

College, however, tests you on two to five chapters, depending on the professor and the class.

Plus you have to take into account extra reading, papers, presentations and other important information that you are expected to retain.

When you are preparing for a test in college and having to renew three or four chapters, you often are up the majority of the night, forsaking a good night's rest for a good grade on a test, or maybe not.

I for one, know this from recent experience.

At this moment, I am sitting on my bed, typing on my laptop at 12:30 a.m., half finished with my studying and not able to concentrate.

What good is it going to do for me to finish studying when nothing is sticking? None really.

But my high school never forced so much information to retain for just one test. I am not used to the expectations.

Seniors and other high schoolers often think college is easier than high school because of less restrictive rules and regulations but in actuality, it is much harder and more stressful than anything I could have ever expected.

I for one believe high schools everywhere could do a much better job of preparing us for what college is really going to be like.

Kimberly Kocurek is a 2000 graduate of Calallen High School.

## Phone Company To Issue Credits

VALOR Telecom announced today it is issuing immediate credits to customers recently billed for toll calls to cellular phones and pagers. VALOR asked that customers not call about these charges, which are the result of transition software and contract issues, but wait for the credits which will appear by the November bill cycle. Customers may deduct such amounts from their bill if they choose to do so.

In the transition from Verizon to VALOR Telecom, new agreements are required to continue billing the wireless carrier. These have not been put in place yet. VALOR is contacting cellular carriers and expediting contract negotiations in their Texas and New Mexico markets so that cellular carriers will be billed for these calls and not customers.

VALOR officials learned only this week about the billing problem after customer bills reflecting the inadvertent charges were issued. The calls to cellular phone numbers are valid local toll calls, but the charges are usually paid by the wireless carrier.

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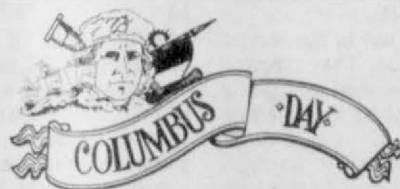
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## Lynx Derail Sunray's Train

by Jeff Beedy

The sign on Sunray's bus as they rolled into town last night said, "The train's a comin'." The train might have come, but the Lynx knocked it off its track, edging Sunray 20-14 in overtime in the opening game of the district 6-2A race.

The victory capped off a perfect night for Spearman's homecoming. Spearman's John Brock scored from 1 yard out in overtime and then the wrecking crew defense came up big to stop Sunray and secure the victory for the Lynx.

Although the Lynx dominated the game statistically, the Bobcats stayed close on the scoreboard. Spearman held Sunray to two first downs in the first half compared to Spearman's eleven first downs. While John Brock had 153 yards rushing in the first half, Sunray's total yards only added up to 64 yards the first half. The Lynx are now 3-1 for the season and 1-0 in district play. The race continues next week as they travel to Highland Park.

The Lynx got off to a good start as they received the ball from the east end of the football field with the wind blowing very strong from the south. Spearman started their first drive of the night on their own 38 yard line after

Sunray kicked the ball out of bounds twice. The Lynx ran the ball well on the ground and moved the ball down to the Bobcat 23 yard line. Brock broke up the middle from 23 yards out for the first score of the night for the Lynx with 7:27 left in the first quarter. Eduard Vasquez's PAT was good and the Lynx led 7-0.

Spearman's wrecking crew defense went to work on Sunray's first possession. Sunray started from their own 31 yard line. On the second play from scrimmage, Tanner Beedy tattooed the Sunray running back in the backfield causing him to fumble and Spearman recovered at the Bobcat 33. Spearman did not waste much time as Brock scored from one yard out with 4:56 still left in the first quarter. Ismael Hernandez kicked the PAT and it was good as Spearman increased their lead by a score of 14-0.

The first half looked like the rout was on, but came to an end as both teams had trouble holding on to the ball. On Sunray's second possession, they started from their own 36. They threw a deep pass that was completed at the Spearman 24. On 4th and 11, the Lynx were called for pass interference giving Sunray a first and ten on the Spearman 12 yard line.

On the next play, the Bobcats ran the option and fumbled the pitch. The Lynx recovered at the 17 with 1:04 left in the first quarter to kill Sunray's drive.

The Lynx fumbled another drive and Sunray recovered it at the Lynx 37 with 11:19 left in the first half. Sunray ran a few plays and the wrecking crew defense made Sunray fumble and Homer Munoz recovered for the Lynx at the Spearman 24 with 8:48 still remaining in the 2nd quarter.

The Lynx kept the ball on the ground with good runs by Brock, Vasquez, Miller and Kevin Beedy. Spearman had 1st and goal from the Sunray 10. Sunray's defense rose to the occasion and held the Lynx and Sunray took over on downs at the 10 yard line. Sunray went three and out and had to punt. Time finally expired and the Lynx led at half-time 14-0.

Sunray came out in the second half ready to play. They received the ball from the west end, going into a stiff southeast wind starting from their own 13 yard line. On the first play from scrimmage, Sunray caught our linebackers blitzing and ran the ball up the middle and the ball carrier broke loose for 87 yards and a touchdown to start the second half. The

PAT kick was good and Spearman's lead was cut to 14-7.

Spearman could not move the ball on their next possession and had to punt to Sunray. Sunray fumbled the punt and Spearman's Jimmy Gaytan was there to pounce on the ball for the Lynx with 7:43 left in the 3rd quarter. On 4th and 7 from the Sunray 25, Kevin Beedy ran a bootleg around the left end and was stopped short of the first down and the Bobcats took over on downs at their own 22 yard line.

On Sunray's next possession, they started on their own 22 yard line and maintained a good drive all the way to the Spearman 5 yard line. On 4th and goal from the 2, Sunray's quarterback found an open receiver out in the flat for a touchdown with 10:31 left in regulation. The PAT kick was good and that knotted the score at 14-14.

Both defensive teams were playing well and were not allowing the offensive teams to move to ball. This continued until the end of regulation and sent the game into overtime.

In overtime, the team that gets the ball starts from the opposing team's 25 yard line. They keep the ball as long as they can make a first down or until they score a

touchdown or a field goal. Then the other team gets the ball from the 25 yard line and does the same thing and the team that is ahead wins the game. If the score is still tied after each team has a possession, they do it all over again until there is a winner.

Sunray won the toss and let Spearman have the ball first. The Lynx, starting on the Sunray 25 yard line, did not waste any time as they drove the ball down to the one yard line. Brock ran up the middle and dove over the goal line for the touchdown. The PAT failed and the Lynx led 20-14.

Sunray had the ball next from the Lynx 25 yard line to see if they could put the ball in the end zone. On 3rd and 7, Homer Munoz made a huge sack on Sunray's quarterback to back them up to the 29 yard line. On 4th and 14, with the game on the line, Sunray threw incomplete and Spearman won the game 20-14.

This was a very tough game and both teams played well. This was a tougher Sunray team than we have seen in years past. You have to give the Lynx credit for not giving up when Sunray came back in the second half to tie the score and forcing the game into overtime. The defense rose to the

occasion and came through when they had to make a big play. We are glad they came away with the W.

Spearman will play Highland Park on Friday at Highland Park at 7:30 p.m.

### Spearman vs. Sunray Offensive Stats

**Rushing**  
John Brock 31-188 yds. 3 TD;  
Eduard Vasquez 12-64 yds.;  
Kevin Beedy 9-39 yds.; Colton  
Miller 6-31 yds.; Rushing Total:  
58 carries 322 yds. 3 TD  
**Passing**  
Kevin Beedy 7-14-78 yds. 1 int.  
**Receiving**  
John Brock 3-22 yds.; Eduard  
Vasquez 3-39 yds.; Colton Miller  
1-17 yds.; Total Offense: 400  
yds.-3 TD.

### Defensive Stats

**Rushing**  
Rushing: 35 carries 145 yds.  
**Passing**  
Passing: 6-10-77 yds. ; Total  
Defense: 222 yds.  
**Fumble Recovery by Spearman**  
Homer Munoz-2; Jimmy  
Gaytan-1; Eduard Vasquez-1

### Players of the Week

**Offense** - Art Maestas  
**Defense** - Eduard Vasquez and  
Homer Munoz

## Hounds Fall To Elks

by Harletta Carthel

The Hounds had their moments but not enough to stop the momentum of the state's number two-ranked Stratford Elks who topped Gruver 42-21 in a non-district contest on Friday night.

Scoring on their first three possessions, Stratford piled up a 19-0 lead early in the second quarter. The Hounds, however, quickly made a contest on the second period when they scored consecutive touchdowns to narrow the Elks' lead 19-15.

Gruver's comeback was cut short in the waning minutes before half when they failed to make a big fourth and four on the Stratford 49. Taking control, the Elks scored on a 51 yard run by Sid Resendes to put the Hounds down 27-14 at the midpoint.

Gruver's revenge was squelched in the last half of play by a tough Elk line, costly penalties, and Hound injuries. The Elks chalked up three touchdowns to Gruver's one to end the scoring.

Gruver's first score was set up by a Cory Schneider punt return to the Hound 35. Hard-running by Aaron Weller on 3 and 13 put the Hounds one yard short of a first down. With Anthony Villalobos picking up the first down on the keeper, Schneider scrambled 50 yards on a

third and 6 call to light up the scoreboard.

The second of Gruver's back-to-back touchdowns started on their own nine yard line. A diving catch by Weller for 27 yards kept the Hound drive alive. Three plays later in a third and seven situation, Weller completed the job with a 60 yard run.

Gruver's final score came in the fourth quarter when Weller broke through for an 85 yard run to glory. Schneider, added his second PAT kick of the night to complete the Hounds tally.

The last quarter saw penalties at inopportune times and injuries to key players, leaving Gruver unable to answer the Elks challenge. A James Crow interception taken on the Hound 38 yard line and carried deep in Elk territory was called back to the Hound 42. A penalty on the following play ended the good fortune, and the Hounds fell one yard short of a first. The Elks pouncing on opportunity, scored on their first play and tacked on the extra two to end the half 27-14, Elks.

At the start of the third quarter, the Hounds made an impressive defensive stand, refusing to let the Elks find satisfaction inside the Gruver ten yard line. A partially-blocked punt on the Hounds next

possession, however, turned the ball over to the Elks on Gruver's 28, resulting in a touchdown for the Elks midway through the third period.

The Hounds never-die attitude resulted in an 85 yard payoff run by Weller early in the fourth quarter. With the Elks racking up two touchdowns in the fourth, the Hounds could not make up the deficit. Stratford's win advanced their record to 4-0.

### Game at a Glance

	Gruver	Stratford
First downs	6	24
Yards Rushing	260	362
Yards Passing	27	137
Tot. Yds.	287	489
Comp/Att/Int	1/9	10/17/1
Punts/Avg	7/28	2/4
Fumbles/Lost	1/13	0
Penalties/Yards	7/48	4/36

**Leading Rushers:** Weller 14 for 178, Schneider 5 for 57, Bradley Duncan 8 for 18, Greg Ehrenberg 2 for 5, Zack Christian 1 for 9, Villalobos 4 for -7

**Leading Receivers:** Weller 1-27  
**District 1-1A Team Scores**  
Gruver 21, Stratford 42  
Dalhart 20, Wheeler 19  
White Deer 54, San Jac. Christ. 7  
Vega 67, Shamrock 0  
Claude 32, Boys Ranch 13  
Amarillo High JV 18, Booker 7  
**A Look Ahead**  
The Hounds will travel to Boys

## Sunray Beats Lynx JV

by Jeff Beedy

The Lynx JV went to Sunray on Thursday to play the Sunray Bobcats. The Lynx defense kept them in the game, but ended up coming up short by a score of 16-6 in favor of Sunray. Spearman was unable to move the ball on offense and most of the game was played between the two 40 yard lines.

Spearman continues to improve each week because they played Sunray a much better game this time than the first time they played. In the first quarter, both teams played well in a defensive battle. Spearman's offense fumbled twice, recovering both of them, but could not move the ball. The first quarter ended in a scoreless tie.

The second quarter was much more of the same as both defenses continued to play well. With 8:02 left in the second quarter, Spearman fumbled on their own 35 yard line. Four plays later, Sunray scored and led 8-0 at half-time.

In the third quarter, neither offense could move the ball and the defenses continued to play very well. Sunray fumbled on their own 35 yard line with :31 left in the third quarter. This looked like the break the Lynx were looking for. Spearman ran a reverse with Paul Bynum making it to the 8 yard line before he was tackled. On the first play of the 4th quarter, Spearman's Garrett Martin threw an interception and Sunray ran it back 95 yards for a touchdown. The PAT was good and Sunray led 16-0.

With 5:30 left in the game, Jarrod Lozano intercepted a Sunray pass and returned it to the Sunray 36 yard line. After a piling on penalty, the Lynx had the ball on the Bobcat 9 yard line. Marcus Vasquez then scored from 9 yards out and that made the score 16-6 and that is how the game ended.

The Lynx played well and they continue to improve each week. When they get everything hitting on all cylinders, you better watch out! Their effort is great every week and they will continue to win more games as the season progresses. Good job Lynx!

## Cross Country Results

by Jeff Beedy

The Spearman Cross Country teams continue to improve each week. They ran at Wheeler on Saturday and all teams did very well from the junior high to the high school. The varsity girls won second place as a team, their best finish in two years. Coach Kyle Short said he was very proud of them and their effort. Chelsea Nollner placed 3rd individually with a time of 14:02 and Ashlee Flowers received a medal for placing 11th with a time of 14:39. The Lynxettes beat everyone in our district, but will have to continue to get better in order to keep

that up. The varsity boys also did very well this week. They only had three athletes that ran and they all got in the top twenty with two of them medaling. Adam Cherry came in 3rd with a time of 14:00 and Brady Woolley came in 15th with a time of 15:19. These guys are doing a great job also. The JV Lynxettes did a good job also. Misti Hand, who finished in 6th place with a time of 16:11, was the only one who medalized, but they all finished in the top 25. The junior high Lynxettes continue to burn up the course with

another 2nd place finish. They have placed second in every meet this year. The top 20 place finishers medalized and Spearman had five in the top 20. Cayla Smith was 9th, Christen Ferguson 11th, Tabitha Shields 14th, Lindsey Short 15th, Maira Davila 19th and the rest of the team did very well. They have their eyes set on gold next week! The junior high boys had two runners and they both placed in the top 10. Wayne Gibson continues to run well with a 5th place finish in a time of 13:16 and Jacob Jones placed 7th with a time of 14:20.

We are very proud of all the cross-country runners! This is a very tough and demanding sport and you need to be commended for your hard work! Good job!

### Varsity Boys

Individuals	Time	Place
Adam Cherry	14:00	3rd
Brady Woolley	15:19	15th
Coley Griffin	15:33	17th

### Varsity Girls

Team	Points	Place
Shamrock	26	1st
Spearman	52	2nd
Clarendon	73	3rd
Childress	83	4th

West Texas	100	5th
White Deer	105	6th
Individuals	Time	Place
Chelsea Nollner	14:02	3rd
Ashlee Flowers	14:39	11th
Jessica Crossland	15:01	17th
Lucy Villa	15:08	19th
Mindee Gillaspie	15:43	24th

### Junior Varsity Girls

Individuals	Time	Place
Misti Hand	16:11	6th
Cristina Salgado	16:52	13th
Holly Tercero	17:44	18th
Brianne		
Burkhammer	19:22	21st
Laura Gillaspie	20:07	22nd

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# Spearman Welcomes Argentinian Student



Maggie Murcasel poses next to a map of her home country, Argentina.

Three years ago, Maggie Murcasel knew that she wanted to travel and see the world.

On August 13th, she arrived in Spearman, population 2300, a very different part of the world than she had known in Argentina, as a part of the Youth Exchange Student program.

"I love traveling," she said. "I like knowing people from different places and different cultures."

Magali (Ma-Ha-Lee) "Maggie," 17, comes from General Roca, Rio Negro, Argentina, a city of about 100,000. She is the youngest and only daughter of her parents, Andres and Emilce, business owners of an ice factory. Her older brother, Mariano, 24, studies business.

At home in General Roca, she played hockey. While here in Spearman, she runs cross country. And the high school here in the Panhandle of Texas carries a bit different flavor than she has known. But she likes it.

"School at home is a lot more academic," said Maggie, who has studied English for eight years. Here she enjoys the school activities along with the academics - extracurricular activities such as Homecoming and the football games.

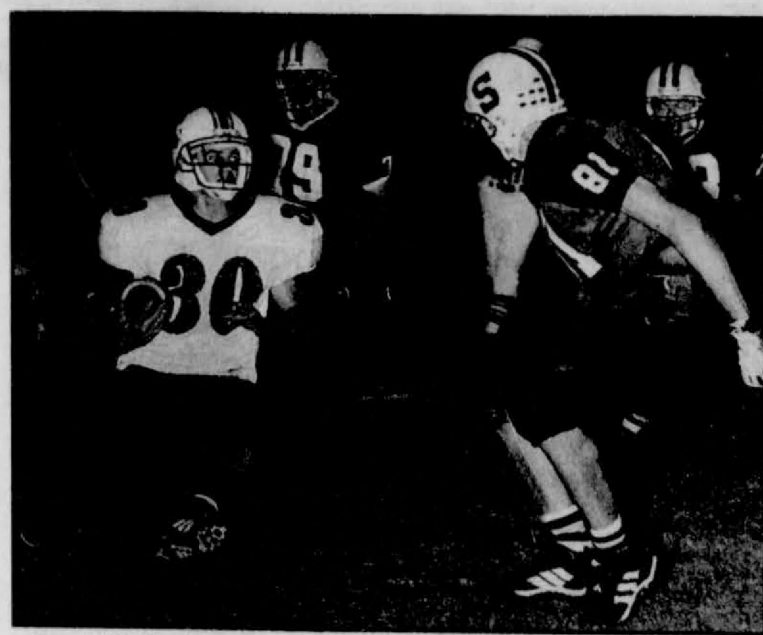
In addition to the more physical sports, she is also accomplished in ballet and flamenco dance.

While she is here in Spearman, she will spend six months staying with Richard and Lisa Pipkin. Her connection with the Pipkins' stems back a year ago when Kara Pipkin, daughter of Richard and Lisa, spent the last school year in Argentina. The two girls met while traveling the country over semester break.

However, at the time she decided to participate in the exchange program, she had no idea that she would end up in Spearman, Texas. She did know that the United States and Germany could be possibilities.

Little did she know that just a year later, she would be experiencing West Texan culture with Kara and her family.

After she completes her year at Spearman High School, she will finish her senior year in Argentina. She plans to attend college after graduation, possibly focusing on interior design. Maggie will stay an additional six months in the U.S. with another Spearman family before returning to Argentina to finish high school.



Aaron Weller tries to evade a tackle to gain yardage during Friday night's game against Sunray. (See story on page 8.)

## "Credit - Your Financial Power Tool" Booklet Available

The Financial Assistance Network in Washington, DC has just published a new booklet, "Credit - Your Financial Power Tool." The 48-page booklet includes information on how and where consumers can get credit even if they are having problems paying bills. The booklet also instructs consumers how they can legally rebuild their credit.

According to the Federal Trade Commission, companies that advertise credit repair services appeal to consumers with poor credit histories. Not only can't they provide consumers with a clean credit record, they may be encouraging consumers to violate federal law. The truth is that most consumers can help themselves if they have the right information.

"The booklet covers all aspects of credit including: applying for credit, getting more credit to reduce interest costs, handling bills and bill collectors, and restoring credit after financial problems," says Jim Asvar, a researcher at Financial Assistance Network. "Consumers will also receive a free referral to a non-profit organization that can help consolidate bills into one lower monthly payment, usually saving the consumer thousands in interest and late fees."

Consumers can receive a copy of the booklet by sending \$5 to cover the cost of printing, postage and handling to: Financial Assistance Network - Credit Booklet Offer - Dept. CR-0801, P.O. Box 60944, Washington, DC 20039-6094.

## Panhandle Community Services Receives Money From TDHCA

The Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs has approved Panhandle Community Services for \$400,000 to be used for down payment and closing cost assistance for first time homebuyers. The agency serves the 26 counties of the Texas Panhandle with this program except in the Amarillo Metropolitan area, which is served by the City of Amarillo.

Under the program, up to \$5,000 can be utilized (up to \$7,500 in some cases) for down payment and closing costs on a loan. This is not a grant, but a zero interest, zero payment, second lien that does not come due until the first lien is paid off or on a premature sale or disposition of the property. In essence, it is moving the down payment and closing cost from the front of the loan where the money may not be available, to the back of the loan where it can be more readily addressed. Homes purchased under the program cannot exceed \$59,877

for an existing home, or \$94,716 for a new home.

The money is expected to be available to begin administrating the program in late August. Applications may be made at any Panhandle Community Services Center, where an applicant's income will be checked against the programs guidelines to see if they qualify. The income guidelines differ by county. If the applicant qualifies under the guidelines, they still must be able to meet the credit requirements of the lender they choose to work with. After initial application, PCS works strictly with the lender.

Interested parties should contact their local PCS service center to make initial application for the assistance as soon as it is available.

For more information, contact Terry Burns at the Amarillo office at 372-2531, ext. 257, or Johnanna Dear at the Perryton Center at 435-2478.

## Hansford County Library Unveils New Computer Equipment

The Hansford County Library is celebrating the arrival of additional public access computers in our community. With a grant from the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation, the Hansford County Library has purchased two new Gateway computers, a new laser printer and has set them up with Internet connections.

Join us for an Open House on Tuesday, October 10 from 4:30 to 5:50 p.m. Refreshments will be served and staff members will be on hand to answer questions and demonstrate how to use the computers.

The Hansford County Library is located at 122 Main Street in downtown Spearman. Founded in 1932, the library moved to its present location in 1967. The new computers add to the library's growing infrastructure, which includes a computerized card catalog and inventory system and a full-time connection to the state's public information service.

Be sure to attend the Open House and check out the new computers.

## La Biblioteca Publica de Hansford County presenta el nuevo equipo de computacion

La Biblioteca Publica de Hansford County celebra la llegada al publico de acceso computacional en nuestra comunidad. Con una subvencion de la Fundacion Bill and Melinda Gates, la Biblioteca Publica de Hansford County ha comprado dos computadoras nuevas Gateway y una impresora nueva laser, montadas y conectadas a Internet.

Unase a la recepcion publica el martes 10 octubre, de 4:30 a 5:30 de la tarde. Se serviran refrescos, y empleados de la biblioteca estaran disponibles para responder cualquier pregunta y mostrale como usar las computadoras.

La Biblioteca Publica de Hansford County esta ubicada en al calle 122 Main en el centro de Spearman. Fundada en 1932, la biblioteca se mudo al lugar actual en 1967. Las nuevas computadoras se anaden a la creciente infraestructura de la biblioteca, la cual incluye un catalogo de ficheros y sistema de inventario computatizados, y una coneccion permanente al servicio de informacion publico del estado.

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