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Beedy Wins State Tennis Championship



Kevin Beedy

by Jeff Beedy

Kevin Beedy is the State Champion in Class 2A! He defeated Rhett Heartsill from Wall 6-3, 6-3 in the finals Tuesday morning. Beedy had previously defeated Heartsill in the finals at regional in Abilene.

Kevin did not lose a set at the state tournament as he defeated Dustin Adams from

Winnie East Chambers in the first round by a score of 6-0, 6-1.

In the second round, he beat Serge Glaser from Kennedy 6-3, 6-3. Then he took care of business in the finals by ousting Heartsill 6-3, 6-3.

Beedy only lost one match the entire year. Kevin works very hard playing tennis and

this gold medal is well deserved!

Kevin is a sophomore at Spearman High School, so we can be looking for two more trips to Austin in the future. Kevin is the son of Becky and Scott Beedy of Spearman.

We are all very proud of you Kevin on a job well done!

Going For The Gold

Athletes To Compete In State Track Meet



Richard Varnon, SHS senior, will vie for the top spot in his specialty event, the discus, at the state track meet.



Chelsea Nollner, SHS senior, hopes to end her high school career with gold medals in the 400 meter run and the long jump.



Jason Shoulders, GHS senior, sets his sights on a state championship in the 110 high hurdles.

2000 Census Shows Population Decrease; Ethnic, Age Pattern

Gruver, Spearman, and Hansford County all show decreases in the 2000 census figures that have been released by the U.S. Census Department.

The population of Gruver decreased by 10 persons from 1,172 to 1,162 while the population of Spearman declined by 175

persons, from 3,197 to 3,021. Hansford County's figures fell from 5,848 in 1990 to 5,369 in 2000.

By age division, Gruver had 798 persons listed as being 18 or over and 364 being under the age of 18. In Spearman, 2,150 were 18 years of age or older, and 871 under the

age of 18. In the county, there are 3,795 listed as 18 years old or over and 1,574 being under the age of 18.

In the ethnic population of Gruver, 815 were listed as white, 329 as Hispanic or Latino, seven as American Indian or Alaska Native, and 10 as being two or

more races.

Spearman statistics showed 2,026 as white, 970 as Hispanic or Latino, one as Black or African American, nine as American Indian or Alaskan Native, five as Asian, one as some other race, and 25 identifying with two or more races.

Hansford County reported 3,604 white, 1,690 as Hispanic or Latino, one as Black or African American, 18 as American Indian or Native American, 12 as Asian, one as some other race, and 43 as being two or more races.

At A Glance

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July 9 - August 10, 2001 - BIOL 1322 ELEMENTARY NUTRITION: Instructor Gina Marie Morris, Mon., Tues. & Wed., 8 - 10:40 a.m.; BIOL 2402 ANATOMY and PHYSIOLOGY II: Instructor Gina Marie Morris, Mon, Tues & Wed., 1:50 - 4:30 p.m.; ENGL 2333 MASTERPIECE IN LITERATURE II: Instructor Jan Moore, Mon. & Wed, 6 - 10 p.m.; MATH 1314 COLLEGE ALGEBRA: Instructor Phyllis McDaniel, Tues. & Thurs., 6 - 10 p.m.

Registration for classes will be May 21, 2001 from 5 - 7 p.m. in the Spearman High School PIN Room (enter east door of High School) For more information concerning classes contact Cindy Blackman at 659-3233 or Frank Phillips College 274-5311.

Gifted & Talented

Nominations for 2001-2002
We are now accepting nominations for the 2001-2002 school year gifted/talented program. Students in Kindergarten through 12th grade may be nominated. This gifted educational program is designed to challenge students with above average potential in academic and creative-productive thinking skills to accelerate above and beyond the regular school curriculum. Anyone wishing to nominate a student believed to be an intellectually or creatively gifted learner is encouraged to come by the elementary school office and complete the nomination form prior to May 25. Nominated students will go through a screening process to determine eligibility. If you have any questions or need further information, please contact the Counselor's office at 659-2565.

Project Graduation 2001

Parents of the Senior Class of 2001 will sponsor and host a "Project Graduation Party" following commencement services on Friday May 25th. To encourage the seniors to stay the entire night, the last activity is an auction. Prizes, gift certificates, and cash are needed for the auction. Contact Lenis Simpson at 659-2052 or 659-2852 or Ginger and Bill Pittman at 659-2847 or 659-5544.

Police Department Asking For Cell Phones

The Spearman Police Department, the Gruver Police Department and the Sheriff's Department are asking for cell phones for their Operation 911 program to put cell phones in the hands of all Spearman, Gruver and Morse teachers. Turn in handheld cell phones at the Sheriff's Department or call 659-4140 or 733-2901 for pickup.

Fund Established For Holt Schoolhouse Memorial

The Holt community TEEA (Home Demonstration) club has established a Holt Schoolhouse Memorial fund for those who wish to remember their friends and neighbors with a memorial donation. Please send any contributions to this fund to Diana Thorpe, MCR 1, Box 58, Spearman; Audene Beck, HCR 1, Box 28A, Spearman; or to any member of the Holt Club.

Bake Sale Set For Friday

The gymnasts who qualified for National's will be hosting a bake sale on Friday, May 11th, at Lowe's Marketplace, beginning at 8 a.m. All proceeds will be used to help pay for expenses to the National Competition.

Teacher Appreciation Week

May 6-12, 2000

SAY "THANKS" TO A TEACHER!

Laugh and Live



by Catherine R. Smith
CathyRSmit@aol.com

Someone sent me the following story a while back, and I thought I would share it with you. I thank God every day for the angel that he sent me!

Voice of an Angel

Once upon a time there was a child ready to be born. So one day he asked God: "They tell me you are sending me to earth tomorrow but how am I going to live there being so small and helpless?"

God answered, "Among the many angels I chose one for you." She will be waiting for you and will take care of you."

The child thought a while and asked God. "But tell me, here in Heaven, I don't do anything else but sing and smile, that's enough for me to be happy."

God answered, "Your angel will sing for you and also smile for you every day, and you will feel your angel's love and be happy."

"Oh," the child said, "and how am I going to be able to understand when people talk to me, if I don't understand the language that men speak?"

God answered, "Your angel will tell you the most beautiful and sweet words that you will ever hear, and with much patience and care, your angel will teach you how to speak."

The child looked at God and asked, "What am I going to do when I want to talk to you?"

God softly touched the child on the head and said, "Your angel will place your hands together and will teach you how to pray."

"I've heard on earth there are bad men. Who will protect me?" The child asked.

"Ah," God answered, "Your angel will defend you even if it means risking its life."

"But, I will always be sad because I will not see you anymore."

"Your angel will always talk to you about me and will teach you the way for you to come back to me, even though I will always be next to you," God answered.

At that moment there was much peace in Heaven, but voices from earth could already be heard, and the child in a hurry asked softly: "Oh God, if I am about to leave now, please tell me my angel's name."

Sweetly God looked at the child and whispered, "Your angel's name is of no importance. You will call your angel, MOM."

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 :)

Blowin' In The Wind

by Dwayne Mitchell

The Southwestern Pioneer Windmill Association has received three Aermotor mills and towers from Billy Brown and wishes to express its appreciation for those mills.

Two of the towers and heads were lowered by Rick Cazarez and then disassembled by SPWA members. The SPWA appreciates Rick's help in salvaging the mill. Lee and Russell Shaver moved the electricity for a submersible from one of the towers to a nearby pole so that the tower could be lowered. Thanks to Rick, Lee and Russell for their help and to Billy Brown for the mills.

The damaged wheel of the First State Bank mill has been repaired. The head of the Dempster No. 12 was removed this week and taken to the SPWA's barn for repairs so that the wheel will not come off again. Failure of a key and set screw caused the wheel to come off in the violent windstorm of a few weeks ago.

Anchors were set for the 12-foot Challenge 27 that is being readied by the Showtime Car Club. A platform is being built, and the tower is nearly painted.

The Monitor Model 15 mill, an umbrella mill with red-tipped white blades, is nearly ready to go

up in the Windmill Park near the recently erected Star mill. The Monitor is a vaneless mill whose wheel is regulated by a large foot-ball-shaped weight made of cement.

The SPWA's float will be entered in the Heritage Days parade in June. If you are interested in pulling it in an area parade, please contact Gina at the Chamber Office.

If you have not yet been to the park to see the Star Mill, let me urge you to do so.

BUTLER

The Butler 6-foot wheel mill is Number 5 in the catalog of mills. The mill is a steel-wheeled mill from the original J. B. Buchanan collection.

This mill has much history in its portfolio. The mill came from Mrs. Buchanan's folks and was probably put up in 1903 on the Otis Pierce farm near Aline, Oklahoma (what was to become the state of Oklahoma in 1907).

The Butler Company also built grain bins and steel tanks and prided itself on building a very durable mill. The mill is not considered common but a surprising number of the mills exist even though introduced in the early 1900's.

The Butler double-gear mill is pictured on p. 157 of Lindsay

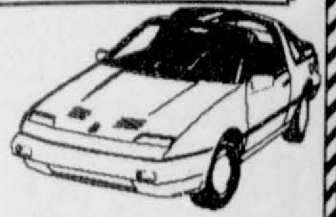
Baker's "Field Guide to American Windmills."

The SPWA has been given a Chandler open-gear mill which collectors believe is built by the Butler Company. It is a rare mill and will be an interesting counterpart for the Butler.

Imagine for a moment what a mill that is almost 100 years old has been a witness to. The Butler is located on the southwest central part of the J. B. Buchanan Windmill Park.

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Sun. Eve.: 6 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Mtg.: 7 p.m.
Pastor - Roland Haney

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

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

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

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

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

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

First Presbyterian Church

(Worships with Lutheran)
1021 Cotter • 659-2033
Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. at
Lutheran Church
Worship: 11 a.m. (alternates monthly
between Lutheran & Presbyterian Church
Bldg.)
Pastor - Beverly Cook

Faith Lutheran Church (ELCA)
1101 Bernice • 659-2252
(Worships with
First Presbyterian Church)

First United Methodist
407 S. Haney • 659-5503
Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.
Worship: 8:30 & 11 a.m.
Jr. High Youth: 5 p.m. Sunday
High School: 6 p.m. Sunday
Kids Club: 3 p.m. Wed.
Pastor - Ken Cole

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

Fellowship Baptist
1102 S. Archer • 659-2783
Sunday School: 10 a.m.
Worship: 11 a.m.
Sun. Evening Worship: 6 p.m.
Youth/Adult Serv.: 7:30 Wed.
Pastor - Gene Foster

Primera Mision Bautista
502 E. 7th • 659-3991
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Worship: 11 a.m.
Evening: 6 p.m.
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Thurs. Visitation: 7 p.m.

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Jueves, Oracion - 8 p.m.
Mier. Estudio Biblico - 7 p.m.
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First Baptist Church
402 E. Broadway • 733-2411
Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.
Worship: 10:50 a.m.
Disciple Training: 6 p.m. Sunday
Prayer Meeting: 7:30 p.m. Wednesday
Pastor - Scott Curry

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

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

Oslo Lutheran Church (ELCA)
6 Miles West & 12 Miles
North of Gruver
339-7709
Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.
Worship: 11 a.m.

Gruver United Methodist
Broadway & Garrett
733-2651
Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.
Worship: 8:30 & 10:50 a.m.
Eve. Worship & UMY: 6 p.m.
Pastor - Jerry Moore

Spanish Cristo Redentor Church
Sunday Mass: 1:30 p.m.
Friday Evening Mass
Summer - 8:00 p.m.
Fall/Winter - 7:30 p.m.

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Happy Birthday!

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

May 10
Birthday - Sandi Foster, Hayley Garland, Paula Williams, Butch Lasater, Teresa Kirk, Alva Garner, Brenda Shieldknight, Kevin Bellows, Bobbie Novak, Deborah Randall, Paul Garza Jr., Robert Howell, Adrian Garza, Tashiana Schumann, Troy Seagler, Jake Vernon, Tammy Mitchell
Anniversary - Mr. & Mrs. Harley Murrell, Mr. & Mrs. Gary Evans, Mr. & Mrs. Ray Gibson

May 11
Birthday - Pake Eckhardt, Jeff Hand, Diane McLain, Maria Arjona, Scotty Evans, Francis Ortega, Mary Ellen Vitele, Jimmy Blain Jr., Jeremy Austin, Larue Whitefield, Jared George, Wylee Maupin, Darla Myatt
Anniversary - Mr. & Mrs. Bob Davis

May 12
Birthday - Kristin Evans, John Holland, Trevor Ferguson, Deanna Johnson, Dave Karlin, Gary Gumfory, Jimmy Greene, Hazel Scott, Ernesto Puentes, Karen Hamilton, Toni Atwood, Bonnie Benson, Anita Spivey, Lauren Carter, Karen Hodge
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May 13
Birthday - Kerry Foster, Billy Horton, Cora Meyer, Terry Butt, Roy Stinson, Henry Fabitzke, Tom Fanning, Sarah Moore
Anniversary - Mr. & Mrs. Felipe Tomell

May 14
Birthday - Nancy Barkley, Debbie Deeds, Gerald TeBeest, Vickie Kay Hand, Patsy Barrera, Fran Quinby, Janice Gerrad, Luis Garcia, Sharon Seagler, Eric Titus, Jim Bartimus, Chris Johnson, Buck Tidwell, David Terry, Brandy Shelton, Sue Gerardy, Kevin Harris
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May 15
Birthday - Barbara Cluck, Monte Cluck, Brooke Holt Ruhlin, Robert Meyer, Jamie Maize, Tommy Russell, Charles Eaton, Wayne Cook, Francisco Borunda Jr., Tommie Mitchell, Luis Moreno, Trent Seagler, Ortha Fay Watkins, Trena Horton, Sadie Goodall, Billie Nobles, Janeen Baumgardner, Jean Armes, Bryan Dudley, Jennifer Traylor, Lance Smith
Anniversary - Mr. & Mrs. Don Kjos

May 16
Birthday - Charles Evans, Louise Hedding, Mary King, Justin Miller, Ashleigh Sherrill, Gayle Smith, Kurt Spoonmore, Linda Latta, Cinda Wolf, Shelly Whitefield, Mary Trent, John Sprig, Michael Gruver, Linda Lujan, Rhonda Christian, Landry Fletcher, April Payne
Anniversary - Mr. & Mrs. L.F. Hand, Mr. & Mrs. Barry Haensch

May 17
Birthday - Bart Thoreson, Karen Burke, Billy Close, Lorene McGuire, Earla Spencer, Matt Lair, Mrs. Fred Hoskins, Scott Boyd, Angela Pipkin, Lloyd Laxton, Marcy Villalobos, J.P. TeBeest, Cleavene Elliott, Edith Volden
Anniversary - Mr. & Mrs. Randy Reid, Mr. & Mrs. Justin Gifford, Mr. & Mrs. Darrell Wright

May 18
Birthday - Dan Carthel, Colt Cluck, Phylis Haefner, Amy Lewis, Darrell Messer, Clint Swink, Jerry Swink, Sally Desimone, Paula Fryrear, Alma Ricketts, Byron Kenny, Joy Gafford, Ernestine Gray, Luis Moreno Jr., Kimberly Rhea, Ann Atchison, Amy Sparks, Ivan Allen, Thea Beck, Danny Henson, Kenny Virden, Travis Hodge, Justine Rosales
Anniversary - Roy & Denise Harbour, Raymond & Judy Jenkins, Mr. & Mrs. Mark McCloy, Mr. & Mrs. Robert Elliott

Our Deepest Sympathy

Willoughby John "Bill" Sparks
 Willoughby John "Bill" Sparks went to be with his Lord and Savior on May 2, 2001.

He is remembered by everyone for his quick smile, kind heart and his love for his family and others.

Funeral services were held at 10:30 a.m. on Friday, May 4, 2001 at the First United Methodist Church in Midland with Pastor John Rech and Pastor Bob Hopkins officiating. Graveside services were held on Saturday, May 5, 2001 at 11:00 a.m. in Hansford Cemetery.

Willoughby Sparks was born to John Gray Bynum Sparks and his wife, Elizabeth Ann Douglas on November 22, 1914 in Hansford County, Texas, the youngest of twelve children. He grew up in Spearman. On February 25, 1936, he married Julia Helen Browder. He and Helen had two sons, Don and Bynum. She preceded him in death in May of 1992. Bill was a small businessman in Amarillo for years until he retired and moved to Midland in 1980 to be close to his family. On September 15, 1993, he married Sunny Davis.

Bill is survived by his loving wife, Sunny; his sons, Don Sparks and his wife, Gwyn of Midland and John Bynum and his wife, Debbie, of Rockwall, TX; his grandsons, Jeff and his wife, Val, Kevin and his wife, Jill, and Todd and his wife, Karen, all of Midland; granddaughters, Heather Marecle and her husband, Eric, and Jennifer Rabe and her husband, Josh of Rockwall, TX; his sister, Fanny Venneman of Hansford County; ten great-grandchildren; and many nieces and nephews.

In lieu of flowers, the family has requested memorials be directed to Manor Park Building Fund, Young Life of Midland or a charity of one's choice.

Letter To The Editor

To the Editor:

I would like to take this opportunity to compliment your community on your wonderful health care facilities. I work at an area hospital and part of my job is to travel around the panhandle visiting other hospitals and nursing homes. I have been visiting Spearman for the last five years and have been so impressed with the quality of Hansford Manor. It is such a beautiful building, always spotless, and very home-like. Your employees are friendly, courteous, and well trained. I especially appreciate the professionalism of your social services department.

The thing that impresses me the most is that every time I visit, the residents are out of their rooms, interacting with one another, and having fun. They are neat, well groomed, and well attended by staff. There are always members of your community visiting and taking interest. Hansford Manor is a positive place to be.

Congratulations, Spearman! You are an example for us all.

Sincerely,
 Terry Briscoe, MS, LPC, LMFT

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HANSFORD HAPPENINGS

Education Scholarship Available For Gruver Grad
 The Gruver Classroom Teachers' Association is offering a scholarship for a Gruver High School graduate who has complete at least 60 hours of accredited college course work. The student must have a GPA of 3.0 or higher and be a declared education major. Applications can be picked up in the Superintendent's office. An official transcript must be submitted with the application by July 1 to Gruver ISD, Attn: Gruver CTA, Box 650, Gruver, Texas 79040. For more information call the Superintendent's office at 733-2001.

Breast Cancer Screening In Gruver
 The Women's Center of the Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer Center and Baptist St. Anthony's Health System in cooperation with Gruver Independent School District and Hansford County Hospital will conduct a Breast Cancer Screening Clinic at the Methodist Church, 506 Broadway in Gruver on May 17 and 18, 2001. All exams are done by appointment only. Call (800)377-4673 or (806)356-1905 for more information.

Skid-Lids-For-Kids Program
 Skid-Lids-For-Kids, sponsored by H&S EMS and Panhandle Regional Advisory Council, will be held on May 12, 2001 from 1:00-5:00 p.m. at the EMS Station for kids in pre-kindergarten through 5th grade. Kids are invited to come watch a safety video and receive a free helmet, if they bring a parent or responsible adult. Drawings will be held for other great prizes.

Lunch & Learn On Healthy Indoor Air
 The onset of the spring and summer months means increased misery for many of the estimated 40 million Americans who live with allergies and the estimated 17 million with asthma. If you are one of those sufferers, you may have found that hibernating indoors doesn't offer much relief. Come to the Lunch & Learn on Tuesday, May 15th from 12:00-1:00 p.m. at the Fellowship Hall of the Spearman Church of Christ and get some tips that can possibly help provide much-needed relief from the sneezing, wheezing and itchy eyes. Janie Harris, Extension Specialist for Housing and Environment from Texas A&M, will present many simple steps that can reduce exposure to allergens and pollutants triggering asthma and allergy symptoms at home, as well as address the issue of black mold found in some homes in our area. Donations for lunch will be accepted. This program is being sponsored by the Texas Agricultural Extension Service. For more information, please call Peggy Winegarner, County Extension Agent at 659-4130 or 733-2901.

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 Registration for classes will be May 21, 2001 from 5 - 7 p.m. in the Spearman High School PIN Room (enter east door of High School) For more information concerning classes contact Cindy Blackman at 659-3233 or Frank Phillips College 274-5311.

Spearman Lynx/Lynxette Athletic Banquet
 The Spearman Lynx and Lynxettes Booster Club will host the Athletic Banquet on Tuesday, May 15th. The banquet will start at 6:30 p.m. at the O'Loughlin Center. The meal will be catered by Ivey's Hungry Cowboy. Admission will be \$10 per person. There are no advance ticket sales, simply pay at the door.

Bake Sale Set For Friday
 The gymnasts who qualified for National's will be hosting a bake sale on Friday, May 11th, at Lowe's Marketplace, beginning at 8 a.m. All proceeds will be used to help pay for expenses to the National Competition.

Rushing Wind Emmaus Community To Meet May 12th In Guymon
 The Rushing Wind Emmaus Community will meet at the First Christian Church, 802 N. Guinn, Guymon, OK on Saturday, May 12th at 6:00 p.m. A potluck dinner will be served followed by a praise and worship service. Emmaus members, family, and friends of area churches are invited to attend, and a nursery will be provided. The Board of Directors will meet at the church at 4:30 p.m.

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Rabies Clinic Set For May 17-18, 2001
 Hansford County Veterinary Hospital in conjunction with the City of Spearman Animal Control Department will conduct a rabies/vaccination clinic May 17-18, 2001, from 8:00 a.m. to noon and 1:00 to 5:00 p.m. Discounted fees for the vaccinations and tests for dogs and cats are: Rabies Vaccination - \$7; DHLCC (Distemper-Parvo) - \$17; Heartworm Check - \$18; Feline Leukemia - \$14; FVRCP Rabies (Feline Rabies & Distemper) - \$17; Feline Leukemia Test - \$20; and Kennel Cough - \$7. City tags for male and female cats and dogs are \$10, and neutered male cats and dogs and spayed female cats and dogs will carry a \$5 tag fee. The Hansford County Vet Clinic is located at 405 S. County Road #1 in Spearman. All owners of pets are encouraged to help control any outbreak of disease by having their pets vaccinated during the clinic.

Marjorie Urban Memorial Scholarship
 The Marjorie Urban Memorial Scholarship Committee is accepting applications for the 2001-2002 school year. The committee anticipates this to be a \$1000 scholarship, funded at \$500 per semester. The scholarship is limited to students majoring in music or religion, but not limited to 2001 graduates. Applications may be picked up and returned to Perryton National Bank, or your high school counselor. For more information, call (806) 435-9641.

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Engagement Announcement

Marian and David Tomlinson of Gruver, TX are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter, Tara Ruth Shapley, to Chad Raymond Gardiner. Tara is also the daughter of the late Rex Shapley. Chad is the son of Claudine and Bob Hardy of Spearman and Mike and Deana Gardiner of Canadian.

Grandparents of Tara are Bettye and Bobbie Clark of Amarillo, TX. Chad's grandparents are Fay and the late Hagen Gardiner of Beaver, OK and Ralph and Marjorie McCune of Logan, OK.

Tara will graduate from Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center School of Nursing with a Bachelor of Science in Nursing in May of this year. She is a member of Kappa Alpha Theta sorority. Following the wedding, Tara will be employed at Medical Center of Plano in Plano, TX.

Chad graduated in 1999 from Texas Tech University with a Bachelor of Science in Civil Engineering. He was a member of Kappa Alpha Order while at Texas Tech. Chad is currently employed by Half Associates, Inc. in Dallas, TX.

Following the wedding on August 11, 2001 in Gruver, the couple will reside in The Colony, TX.

Among The Neighbors

by Helen Fisher

Karen Hardy of Chesapeake, VA has been here visiting her father, J.L. Pierce. Karen, whose employment with the U.S. Government takes her over most of the U.S., had been in Dallas for some time and was enroute back to D.C.

She and J.L. spent the weekend in Gage where her grandmother, Julia Faus McManus, and other relatives live. Her aunt, Bertha Faus Willison, has moved to Gage from California.

Since there will be three birthdays in the family before Karen's return, they had a party for all, including the 90th for Mrs. McManus in the fall. Tylan Pierce came from Elk City and Lynn Pierce lives in Gage, and both had birthdays. Karen brought her sister Rosa's children from Amarillo as Rosa couldn't attend.

Sympathy is expressed in the passing of Joyce Shockley, 85. Joyce, a 1933 graduate of Spearman High School, was the daughter of the Ed Wilbanks. Many here remember happy associations with her.

Kacie Lynn Smith received her associates degree in Legal Administrative Assistant (paralegal) from the E.S.S. school of Business on April 20, 2001. The school is in Dallas where Kacie had been since her high school graduation. This degree is in a very technical course and requires rigid research and study.

Present at the ceremony when the degree was awarded were her parents, Archie and Gayle Smith and her sister, Kallie Leann Smith. Justifiably proud grandparents are Peggy and Alton Ellsworth and Mrs. Edith Smith.

For those wishing to congratulate Kacie on this achievement, her address is: 530 Buckingham Rd., #1132 Richardson, TX 75081.

Wasn't that an interesting item in last week's Gruver column about Gerry Davis and his remarkable record in shows and contests

in quilting?

It is no surprise to those who have known Gerry through the years. She always completed to perfection any task she started - cheerfully and congenially. Well, now, there could be just one task she hasn't quite completed - that of remodeling C.A. She hasn't decided yet whether she has a hobby or a hobby! (No musical talent, but always harping on something.)

A sad return for a Hansford County native was marked by graveside services for Willoughby Sparks last Saturday at Hansford Cemetery.

Willoughby, 84, son of early settlers Gray Sparks, was born at Hansford. He passed away in Midland on Wednesday and funeral services were held there.

He is survived by three sons of Midland, and one sister, Fannie Sparks Venneman of Gruver. He was a 1933 graduate of Spearman High School. Sympathy is extended to Fannie and his family.

A welcome guest for Betty and F.W. Thomas was their daughter, Debbie Carter, of Topeka, KS. She is the mother of James Connelly and attended the baby shower for James and Kiki on Saturday.

Debbie also visited her sister, Lisa Miesner.

Some 41 tired but enthusiastic 7th and 8th grade students returned May 2nd from a four-day trip to Washington, DC. They flew both ways.

After checking in on reaching DC, they went on tours arranged by Josh Winegarner, aide to Sen. Phil Gramm.

Josh is the son of Linda and Norlan Winegarner, and his assistance was much appreciated.

The group toured many places of interest, including: museums, memorials, Mt. Vernon, and Alexandria, VA. Each was very interesting and made history come alive for the students. Touring the U.S. Capitol creates interest rather than boredom in law making.

Brave sponsors, who report no difficulty with the group, were Rod Sumner, Robin Hargis, Brian Beck, Brenda Pierson, Verlan Winegarner, Beckee and Reagan Baker.

The Sunday Amarillo Globe-News carried a lengthy article and picture of attorney Tom Morris. He had been awarded the Amarillo Bar Association Chief Justice Lifetime Achievement Award. This award is presented to a lawyer with a distinguished legal career who has made a substantial contribution to the association, the community, and the legal profession. The article detailed many of his accomplishments.

He is a civil lawyer and is married to the former Estella Garnett, 1940 Spearman High School graduate. Mike Garnett is their nephew.

Marguerite and Roscoe Nelson had guests for six days last week when their daughter Rhonda and Jeff Burress came from Ft. Gibson, OK. He has taken the pastorate of a United Methodist Church in Shawnee and they will be moving soon.

While here, he visited his former church in Borger and friends in Gruver, Guymon and Liberal. They helped Roscoe celebrate his birthday (not the 39th) with daughter Donna and Jack Vanderburg of Dalhart and Joanne and Charles Eaton.

Joanne and Charles had just returned from a visit with their son, Chuck, and his little daughter in Mansfield. He had been having much problem with his knee.

No damage was done to his home in the recent tornado that struck Mansfield.

As an expression of love and appreciation, the children of Helen and Irvin Boyd gave them a surprise 50th wedding anniversary party. All gathered at Palo Duro Lake for a hamburger fry, with some special guests, and many friends calling during the afternoon.

Special guests included Clementine Renner, J.D. and Rubyjo Wilbanks, Maylynn and I.W. Ayres, Sara and Darrell Wright, Reba and Bill Hunter, and Hazel and Harry Stumpf.

Their children are Willis and Sherry Boyd, Daniel and Teresa Boyd, Mary Sue Wester of

Spearman and Betty and Charles West of Garden City.

The children presented them with an all-expense paid trip and lodging to Beaumont. They will leave on May 22nd as that is their actual wedding date, and Beaumont is where they were married when they eloped fifty years ago.

Her sister, Francis and John Smith, will meet them in Dallas.

Weather for the week of April 30th to 7 a.m. on May 7th: the high temperature was on May 5th at 95; the low was on the 5th at 42. The wind velocity was clocked at 69 miles per hour on Thursday (the wheel of the windmill at First State Bank was blown off.)

All agreed that it was at least equal to that wind generated at the coffee shops - the same places where so many qualified intellectuals could solve world problems - if they were not so tied up in the coffee shops!

Shades of No-Mans Land feud of long ago - will there be pistol-packing guards necessary at the Palo Duro Dam? The Amarillo Globe-News carried a headlined article concerning the Oklahoma legislature recently passing a resolution urging the Oklahoma Attorney General to sue Texas about the reservoir built on the Palo Duro creek near Spearman.

Certainly those in authority worked out all the permits, agreements, etc. with Oklahoma. If memory serves, it seems there was some kind of a trade with Texas Red River water that flows into Oklahoma. No doubt Johnnie Lee is familiar with all the details.

How about the water from Farwell draw running into the Beaver river for Optima Dam?

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The Gruver Grapevine

by Harletta Carthel

Three Elected to Board
Paul Stavlo, Davin Winger, and David Bergin were elected to the Gruver ISD Board of Trustees.

Candidates and their vote count were Paul Stavlo 234, David Bergin 179, Roger Clift 135, Davin Winger 210, Brent Stedje 166, and David Grotegut 120.

Due to voter interest and a numerous candidates, turnout for the election was termed heavy by election officials. Although only three may serve, the community is grateful and fortunate to have had six qualified candidates who possess the desire and willingness to serve our children.

Carthel Takes State Championship

Kade Carthel, GHS junior, won the gold medal in ready writing and the silver medal in headline writing in UIL State Academic competition in Austin over the weekend.

Carthel's award winning paper in the ready-writing event was a five-page essay written in the timed event Entitled "The Last Sport" the paper will be published in training books for ready writers in future competitions.

Carthel was accompanied to the meet by his writing coach and GHS English instructor, Darlene

Curry who received a pin in recognition of the win. Shell Haynes is the GHS journalism coach.

It was Gruver's first state academic medal since Carthel's sister, KiKi, took the bronze medal in headline writing in 1996.

Weather, Crime Beset Band Trip

Although the GHS Band fared well in competition, receiving a division II rating at the Calvacade Music Festival in Colorado Springs, the group experienced several setbacks.

A scheduled river rafting trip was replaced with other activities when snowfall blanketed the area.

In addition to the inclement weather, a bus window was broken and items left by students on the bus were stolen while the bus was on the hotel parking lot.

The bus window was replaced, and activities such as laser tag and a movie were substituted for rafting. The group also made the trip home in time for sponsors and high school students to attend the prom.

Junior high principal Ann Moore, who accompanied the group, stated the band received many compliments on their excellent behavior and manners.

City Reports Rainfall

The City of Gruver reported rainfall on four consecutive days last week. On May 3, .45 inch of rain was recorded with .60 on May 4, .25 on May 5, and .21 on May 6.

An unseasonably warm 90 degree high was recorded on May 2 with an unseasonably cool 52 degree high recorded on May 4.

City Commissioners Meet

In their regular monthly meeting on April 12, the Gruver City Commission voted to cancel the general election of May 5, 2001, due to the lack of a contested race.

In other business, commissioner Johnnie Williams made the motion to approve a contract for assessment and collection services with Hansford Appraisal District with commissioner Chad Logsdon seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Get Well Wishes

L. A. Williams was admitted to Hansford Hospital last week with possible pneumonia.

Peggy Dillow is progressing following her bout with pneumonia.

Chad Clift, GHS senior, underwent surgery on Thursday, May 10, to repair his shoulder which was injured during the football season.

Linda Walters had back surgery

on Thursday, May 10, and remains in Baptist St. Anthony's Hospital in Amarillo.

Oslo Community Hosts Tour Groups

The Oslo community hosted their second tour group in as many weeks on Monday, May 7.

Making a stop at the Oslo Lutheran Church, Oslo community members treated the group to a variety of Norwegian foods such as lefsa and flat bread prepared by Jan Stedje.

Jill Watson gave a demonstration of hardanger skills after the group was given a history of the community.

Presenting their harp skills were Laurie and Brienna Stedje, daughters of Steve and Deryla Stedje.

Students of Six Weeks Named

A student representing each grade of Gruver Junior High School has been named Student of the Six Weeks by the faculty of GJHS.

Selected for their rolls as good citizens and exemplary students were fifth grade - Amy Travis, sixth grade - Sydney Beene, seventh grade - Maria Ruiz, and eighth grade Angelica Huerta.

School Events Slated

All campuses will enjoy a school holiday on Friday, May 11, due to a snow day which was not used. Gruver Elementary

Tuesday, May 15 - "Muffins for Moms (or significant other females), 7:00 a.m. - 8 a.m. in elementary building.

Teachers will be in rooms between 7:50 a.m. and 8:30 a.m. to visit with moms. Children will "show and tell" classrooms, library, music room, and other facilities.

May 18 - Kindergarten Rodeo with professional rodeo clown "Texas Bill" Thorpe who will present program encouraging students to "stay in school, study hard, and don't horse around with drugs and alcohol."

May 24 - Honor Roll Breakfast, Gruver Junior High

May 17 - Showcase of Art featuring works of both junior high and high school students for public viewing in junior high library, 7-8:30 p.m.

Gifted and Talented Open House, grades 3-5 in Mrs. Seagler's room in junior high building, 7:00 - 8:30 p.m.

Seventh grade field trip to Liberal, Kansas. Eighth grade trip to Wonderland Park

May 18 - Accelerated Reading trip to Panhandle Plains Museum in Canyon.

May 24 - Eighth Grade Graduation, 8 p.m., Gruver High School

May 11-12 - State track meet

May 12 - FFA Area Convention

May 14 - Athletic Banquet, 7 p.m., elementary gym (Greyhound Moms reminded to bring desserts)

May 15 - Academic Awards Program, 7:00 p.m., Methodist church

May 16 - AP Biology test

May 17 - Senior Luncheon at First Christian Church following Baccalaureate practice

May 18-19 - Senior Trip to Colorado

May 20 - Baccalaureate, 7:00 p.m. Methodist Church

May 21-25 - Dead Week (study time and final exams)

May 25 - High school graduation, 8:00 p.m. School auditorium

Moore Takes Oklahoma Titles

Courtney Moore, a Goodwell, (Oklahoma) High junior, won both the shot put and discus titles in the Oklahoma State Track Meet

held over the past weekend. Moore's throw of 128' and 2 inches secured the first place slot for her in the discus while her 42' shot toss (her personal best) also netted her a gold medal.

Moore is the daughter of Gordon and Misha (Davidson) Moore and the granddaughter of Fred and Georgia Davidson of Gruver.

Seeking Academic Winners

Having been asked several times this week when Gruver last won a state academic championship, I asked for records at the high school office only to find that no such records exist.

While we display large signs in our gym to instill forever in the memory, athletes who "bring home the gold," it is surprising that not even a roster of academic honors are kept.

Since better late than never, an attempt will be made to compile a listing of all GHS students who have medaled (first, second, or third place) in the state academic meet.

Students, teachers, former teachers, and parents may submit the medalist name, the year, the event, and the placing to me at Box 430, Gruver or by calling 1-806-753-4423.

The compiled list will be kept in the high school office and perhaps even displayed.



Lake Depth-May 7, 2001-43.64 feet

Despite the little showers the lake level dropped around 3 inches during the week. The gauge has been repaired. The web site is http://tx.water.usgs.gov/nwis-bin/uv/?site_id=07233550

Let's hope we get some big rains. Then we can call the site up and see how much the lake level is rising.

The great article in the Amarillo Globe-News April 30 with the headline "Lake Palo Duro Remains a Secret" brought out quite a few lookers this weekend. Most of them were from Amarillo, and, although a few fished, most of them were picking up brochures and checking it out. Several told Jim they would be back with their RVs later.

Catfish fishing was not too active this week. Crappie fishing is improving, and at times the bridge, as the favorite crappie fishing spot, is getting crowded. Several boats were on the Lake. A few fishermen were trying for bass.

There were 2 RVs on each side during the weekend and the shel-

ter was reserved by Willis and Sherry Boyd for a Golden Wedding Anniversary party for Helen and Irvin Boyd.

Nine white pelicans have spent the week, staying mainly west of the bridge and in the curve of the creek.

Cleon Roberts, the man from Hereford who has uncovered so much of our Hansford County history, has sent information he found in Washington, D. C. on the post office applications for Appleton and Mulock. I have wanted to verify that Appleton, the fourth post office in the County, was in James Harry McGee's adobe house. This house has been known as the Curtis home, the O'Bright place, and then part of the Steele ranch. Later it was called the Gibner place. It was torn down because of its location in the flood plain of the Lake.

Cleon Roberts wrote, "Appleton was in Section 56, 200 yards from the creek, on the west side, on the postal route 31815 from Meade Center Ranch. Hansford was 18 miles from Appleton."

This blew my theory--the Gibner house was on Section 64!

Appleton must have been located in the sod or adobe house that the Steeles lived in before they built their big two story house.

Farwell and Hansford post offices were both established in 1887 with Hansford first on August 26, 1887 and Farwell next on September 2, 1887.

Appleton came three months later on December 2, 1887. McGee was postmaster at Hansford, and his sister-in-law, Addie L. Bayne was postmaster at Appleton. In one of the early day Canadian papers McGee was referred to as from Appleton.

McGee was replaced as postmaster in Hansford on May 16, 1888 by Huff Wright. Addie Bayne continued as the Appleton postmaster until February, 1890 when the post office was moved to Waverlan. She was married in March to W. S. Defibaugh, the typesetter at the paper in Hansford. Her sister, Alfie Phereby Bayne McGee, died in January, 1890 and was the first woman to be buried at the Hansford Cemetery.

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Engagement Announcement

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Priem of Austin, TX proudly announce the engagement of their daughter, Amy Rebeckah to Mr. Ross Woodville Jarvis of Bryan-College Station, Texas. Mr. Jarvis is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Jarvis of Spearman, TX.

Miss Priem was educated at Westwood High School Round Rock I.S.D. and Lubbock Christian University. She is employed by Dr. Deno Sakos in Austin. Mr. Jarvis received his education from Spearman High School and Texas A&M University. He is employed by Texas A&M University and is the Minister of Music for Hillcrest Baptist Church in Bryan, TX.

The wedding will be September 22, 2001, at the University Avenue Church of Christ in Austin. The couple will make their home in Bryan-College Station.

McLaughlin Receives "Texas Treasure Award"



Kay Chastain, State TEEA President, presents Delinda with the "Texas Treasure Award."

District 1 Texas Extension Education Association held their annual Spring Conference recently in Pampa. Delinda McLaughlin was honored to receive the District 1 "Texas Treasure" Award. Kay

Chastain, State TEEA President, presented Delinda with the award noting that "The Texas Treasure Award is given to pay special tribute to our grass roots members who have made a difference in their communities through their Extension Education work." Delinda will be among the 12 "Texas Treasure" Award recipients from across the state to receive special recognition during the State Extension Education Association conference in College Station in September.

Delinda has been a very active member of Town & Country Extension Club since 1976. She has served in all leadership positions in both club and county council. She has represented Hansford County at state conferences in Amarillo, Lubbock, El Paso and San Angelo. Delinda has coordinated the community Veteran's Day program for many years, pre-

sented Lunch & Learn programs on floral arranging and scrapbooking, and served as a volunteer leader in the 4-H Photography and Share-the-Fun projects.

Town & Country Extension club

is proud to recognize Delinda McLaughlin as an outstanding 2001 "Texas Treasure" Award recipient.

Perryton Student Receives WTAMU Agriculture Scholarship

Jason Harnish, a West Texas A&M University pre-veterinary/animal science major from Perryton, has received a Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo Scholarship in the amount of \$400. The scholarship is for the 2001-2002 school year, when Harnish will be a senior at WTAMU.

The scholarship was announced during the WTAMU Division of Agriculture Honors Banquet on Saturday, April 28 on campus.

Harnish, the son of William and Jody Harnish of Spearman, graduated from Perryton High School in 1997.

At WTAMU, Harnish has been involved in the Block and Bridle Club, Oasis Ministries at Southwest Baptist Church of Amarillo, and tutoring fellow students.

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Respect

by Peggy Winegarner

"I don't get any respect," says Rodney Dangerfield. "R-E-S-P-E-C-T," spells Aretha Franklin's song. Schools adopt the three rules of "Respect Self, Respect Others, and Respect Property." People seem to need respect.

Many students in our local school systems are learning through the Character Counts! Curriculum that respect is showing others that they are valued for their character and who they are, not what they look like or what they have. They are also learning that respectful people tolerate other people's beliefs and accept individual differences with-

out prejudice or discrimination. They find out that respect means treating others the way you want to be treated, never insulting or making fun of others who are different in looks, race or religion. They'll also find that a respectful person is polite, does not use bad language and does not use violence.

What can families do to develop and reinforce respect?

- Show respect to your children by listening. Make a point to set aside 5-7 minutes as breakfast and/or after school to give your full attention to listening to your child.
- Take your children to visit older

folks, grandparents, neighbors, relatives as often as possible. Help them ask questions about their heritage and history.

- Make up four rules for showing respect when visiting another person's home. Then discuss examples of what it means to follow or break each rule.

- Rather than criticizing people or using negative labels, try to find the best in others. Let your children hear you praising others.

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Venneman, Cooper Wed



Mrs. Kim Cooper

Kimberly Frances Venneman and Clinton David Cooper were united in holy matrimony on April 28, 2001 in the Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Spearman with Father Scott Raef officiating.

Kim is the daughter of Joe T. and Linda Venneman of Gruver. Clint is the son of Kathy and Greg Cooper of Colleyville, TX.

Kim was given in marriage by her father, Joe T. Venneman.

The Matron of Honor was Holly Gifford of Amarillo, sister of the bride. Bridesmaids were Carlee Colgin of San Antonio, friend of the bride, Kaley Davis of Hooker, OK, cousin of the bride, Kelly King of San Antonio, friend of the bride, Tara Fraser, Keely Proctor and Ann Wells, all of Dallas, friends of the bride.

The flowergirl was Kennedy Venneman of Canyon, niece of the bride.

The Best Man was James Dustin Cooper of Colleyville, TX, brother of the groom. Groomsmen/ushers were Jamey Barth of Addison, Ricky Bennes of Austin, and Joe Parr of Houston and Joe Price of Austin, friends of the groom, and Clint Venneman of Canyon, brother of the bride.

Alter servers for the Mass service were Justin and Seth Thompson of Gruver. Lectors were Mark Davis of Hooker, OK, cousin of the bride and Rosemary Parks of Morse, TX. Eucharistic Ministers were Justin Gifford of Amarillo, brother-in-law of the bride, Lisa Valentine of Dallas and Loretto Cook of Ennis, TX.

Bearing the offertory gifts were Lynna and Phillip Renner of Spearman, godparents of the bride. Cantors and guitarists were Hattie Venneman Davis of Hooker, OK, aunt of the bride, Reuben Uriegas of Spearman, who also performed the wedding song before the beginning of the processional. Crystal String Quarter of Amarillo, played prelude music, music for the processional, Ave Maria for communion meditation and recessional music.

Cashmere, cream and celadon green with hints of lavender was the color theme. Flowers were

Celadon green hydrangea, white roses, lavender roses and Bells of Ireland. The brides bouquet was made of clusters of white Virginia roses. Boutonnieres were herbs with small pheasant feathers from the ranch.

Kim graduated from Gruver High School, and received a Bachelor of Interior Design degree from Texas Tech University. She interned for Victoria Hagan in New York City after graduation. She has been employed by Victoria Reed of Austin and Bev Heil and Associates of Dallas.

Clint graduated from Grapevine High School, and received a Bachelor of Business Administration degree from Texas Tech University. He is employed at Dell Computer Corporation in Austin.

A reception was held at the Venneman Ranch, home of the bride. The couple was chauffeured to the reception by Joel Lee Lackey in his 1941 Packard, a touring sedan. They joined with family and close friends for a seated dinner in a white tent. The meal was prepared by the Knights of Columbus and Paula Clemmons, and served by dear friends of

Hansford County. The wedding party then progressed to the barn for a reception.

A special feature of the reception was Jim Shirley's Chuckwagon serving its specialties. Also, Jim Shirley's 1904 Studebaker Budweiser Wagon that went to Washington, DC for Bush's Inauguration was on display in the barn as a gift to the bride. A sign with the wedding date, name and Venneman brand adorned the side of the wagon.

Gruver's own Chuck Alexander and his band "Insufficient Funds" from Amarillo provided the music. Joe T., father of the bride, sang the first song to the newlyweds, George Strait's "You Look So Good In Love." Bridesmaid Kelly King of San Antonio performed several selections with the band throughout the evening. The bride's father also sang several songs with the band.

Serving in the houseparty were Ronda Haynes of Raywood, TX, Janyth Hart of Austin, and Morgan

Ross of Canyon.

Very special guests were Fanny Venneman, grandmother of the bride, Mary Venneman, aunt of the bride, Clementine Renner, great-aunt of the bride, and Lois Thorne,

grandmother of the groom.

The bride went away in the same yellow suit worn by her mother and sister on their wedding day.

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Texas Counselors Say Try The ACT

College-bound Texas high school students have a choice when taking their college entrance exam, and increasingly their counselors are encouraging them to consider the ACT Assessment.

"As long as I've been in counseling, there's been a myth that not every college will accept the ACT," says Carolyn Greer, director for student support services at Katy Independent School District. "Every college in Texas will take it."

In fact, it's widely accepted by universities across the United States, including the Ivy League institutions.

College admission exams don't measure the same thing, and Greer believes that since the ACT is a curriculum-based test, covering reading, English, math and science reasoning, it is "a better test to get an understanding of a student's skills." She explains, "If you've done well in courses, and taken a college prep approach to school, you should do well on the ACT."

Since the test scores show a student's achievement, that information can be used to help the student strengthen academic skills in preparation for college. Greer says score information can be used, for example, to indicate whether a student needs to take a remedial course in a subject area.

Jan Scheiding, head counselor at Taft High School in San Antonio, also likes the curriculum-based test. "I like to see a broad range of subjects tested for admission to college," she said. "I did a study and looked at a five-year period. Our students overall seemed to do better on the ACT."

"I think the ACT is student-friendly," Scheiding says. "The format is comfortable because it measures what students have learned, and it's non-threatening. And there's no penalty for guessing. I don't encourage guessing, but sometimes it's necessary on a test."

Some students in Texas, including those at Taft High School, get a preview of the ACT Assessment when they take EXPLORE and PLAN tests, usual in their eighth grade and sophomore years, respectively. Both tests are very similar to the ACT Assessment, but they measure skills at lower grade levels. The ACT is taken by juniors and seniors.

Scheiding says counselors use the test information to help guide students. In addition to academic information, the tests provide students with career planning information based on their interests.

"Since EXPLORE, PLAN and the ACT are developed as a program, we're able to follow the student's progress, make recommendations for future courses and suggest careers to investigate," she says. "Also, the earlier tests are good predictors of how students will do on the ACT."

For more information on the ACT Assessment, talk to your high school counselor or visit www.act.org.



Pam Cassidy, Gruver Elementary School secretary, was honored last week as the Secretary of the Year in a contest sponsored by KRDF radio and local businesses in conjunction with National Secretaries Week.

Cassidy was nominated by teacher Mary Jane Henson and was praised by Gruver Elementary principal Diane Brown as a loyal supporter of the staff and students of the school with a warm smile and heart for all who enter the school.

College News

Frank Phillips College Honor Society Induction Maria Sumner and Gayle Womble were recently inducted into the Eta Iota Chapter of Phi Kappa Theta, the international honor society for two-year colleges.

North Texas State University Barber Named MVP Shayla Barber, a senior at Texas State University, earned most valuable player of the Sun Belt Conference during the basketball tournament.

Shayla Barber, a senior at Texas State University, earned most valuable player of the Sun Belt Conference during the basketball tournament. Barber, who scored 15 points for the team, has been a member of the mural co-ed basketball team for the past three years. Her brother Devin Barber is a freshman at North Texas State.

Spearman Student Receives WTAMU Agriculture Scholarship

Lena Harbour, a West Texas A&M University agricultural business and economics major from Spearman, has received a Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo Scholarship in the amount of \$1,400. The scholarship is for the 2001-2002 school year, when Harbour will be a senior at WTAMU.

The scholarship was announced during the WTAMU Division of Agriculture Honors Banquet on Saturday, April 28 on campus. Harbour, the daughter of David and Mary K. Harbour, graduated from Spearman High School in 1998.

At WTAMU, Harbour has been involved in the Alpha Chi and Gamma Beta Phi honor societies, as well as the Agribusiness Club.

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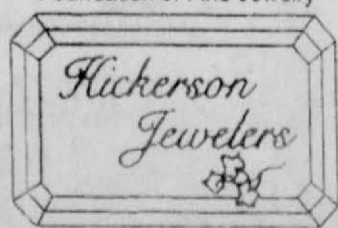
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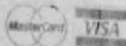
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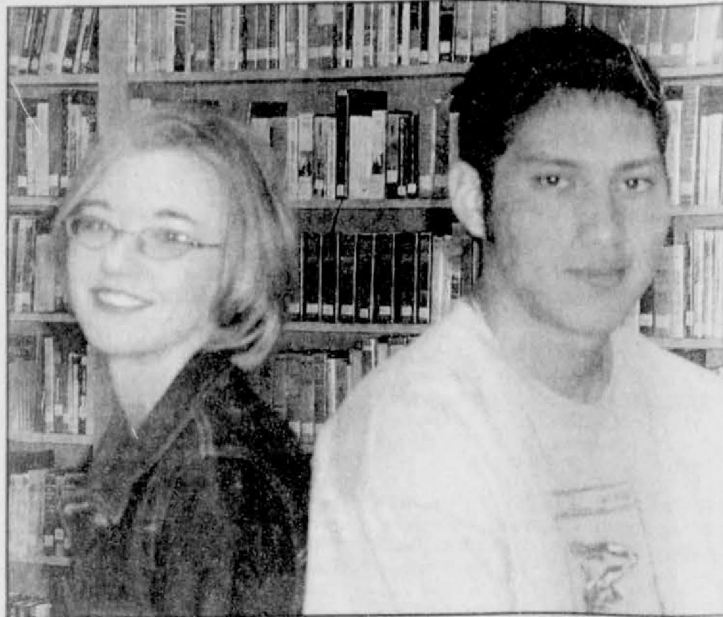
Students of the Month Named



Chad TeBeest

Chad TeBeest, a senior at Gruber High School, has been selected as February student of the month.

Chad has competed in football for four years and was named to the academic all-district team his junior and senior years. Participating in FFA for four years, Chad has served as parliamentarian and sentinel. He has been a member of the chapter conducting team and the land judging team for three years. His FFA honors include the Greenhand award, the Chapter Farmer award, and the Lone Star Farmer Degree. A member of the National Honor Society, TeBeest was voted Most Likely to Succeed and has been an UIL academic competitor in number sense and science for three years and math for two years. He will be competing in regional UIL math competition April 20 in Levelland. He is the son of J.P. and Amy TeBeest of the Oslo community.



Melissa Banks and Junior Moreno

Junior Moreno and Melissa Banks have been chosen as March students of the month.

Moreno is the son of Jose Luis and Dolores Moreno. He has participated in football three years. He has participated in band since junior high, playing the trombone and guitar as well as other instruments. He made All-Region Band and Symphonic band his freshman year as well as Five States Honor Band his sophomore year. He has received two Most Outstanding Musician awards and an Outstanding Marching Section award. He serves as president of the bank and will be attending the State UIL solo and Ensemble contest in San Marcos. He was also named in Who's Who Among American Students.

He credits Randy Willis as his most influential teacher. Moreno plans to attend Amarillo College to start and then transfer to a university.

Melissa Banks was active in

track and golf her freshman and sophomore years of high school. She participated in the production of "Grease" her sophomore year. She has been on the honor roll throughout high school and is a member of Who's Who Among American High School Students. She was also involved in UIL Computer Application. She volun-

teers at the O'Loughlin Center and has been employed at Alco for a year.

Melissa is the daughter of Joanie Romers and Larry Banks. She plans to attend Oklahoma Panhandle State University in the fall and major in elementary education.

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