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Martinez Receives Doctorate of Philosophy

Maribel Martinez received a Doctorate of Philosophy degree in Wind Science and Engineering from Texas Tech University on May 8, 2009. Her dissertation combined engineering, atmospheric, geospatial, and economic data from communities hit by the tornadoes of 2007 in order to develop a rapid response economic impact analysis for smaller communities. By understanding the impacts, more accurate economic estimates would be available to Federal and State officials who must decide the amount of funds to disperse to a community suffering from a disastrous event and be further informed of which policies to enact for hazard mitigation. Furthermore, local officials would be able to determine where to allocate these funds in a way that would be more economically feasible, paving the way towards a faster recovery.

Maribel received a Bachelors of Science degree in Geosciences/Geophysics in 2001 and a Masters of Science degree in Atmospheric Science in 2003 from Texas Tech. During her doctorate studies, Maribel was a member of both the Wind Science and Engineering (WISE) Research Center's Tornado and Hurricane Intercept Teams, helping deploy wind instrumentation in numerous tornado environments and over 8 hurricanes including Hurricanes Katrina and Rita in 2005.

The WISE Center at Texas Tech University offers the first multi-disciplinary doctoral degree program in Wind Science and Engineering in the country. Students are provided with the broad education necessary to pursue studies and solve problems related to the detrimental effects of windstorms and to take advantage of the wind's beneficial effects.

Dr. Martinez is currently employed as the Assistant Emergency Management Coordinator for the Amarillo/Potter/Randall Office of Emergency Management. She is a graduate of Spearman High School, and the daughter of Homero and Maria Martinez of Spearman, TX.

Weather Forecast

THURSDAY NIGHT - Partly cloudy in the evening then becoming mostly cloudy. Lows in the mid 50s. Southeast winds 10 to 15 mph.

FRIDAY - Mostly cloudy with a 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Highs around 80. Southeast winds 10 to 15 mph.

FRIDAY NIGHT - Mostly cloudy with a 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Lows in the upper 50s. South winds 10 to 15 mph.

SATURDAY - Mostly cloudy with a 30 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Highs around 80.

SATURDAY NIGHT - Mostly cloudy with a 30 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Lows in the upper 50s.

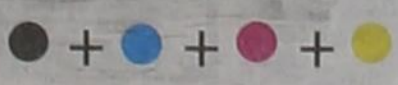
SUNDAY - Mostly cloudy with a 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Highs in the lower 80s.

SUNDAY NIGHT - Mostly cloudy with a 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Lows in the mid 50s.

MEMORIAL DAY - Mostly cloudy with a 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Highs in the lower 80s.

Texas Crop & Weather

The following specific livestock, crop and weather conditions were reported by Panhandle Extension directors: Some moisture was received across the region, but dry conditions continued in most counties. Producers were busy with field activities, fertilizing, spraying, planting and running water. The corn crop was off to a good start, with most fields being pre-watered before planting. Cotton was being planted, but emergence was slow because of cool soil temperatures. Forage and grain sorghums were also being planted. The recent moisture helped the winter wheat crop, but yields may be lowered by various disease and insect problems. Rust and barley yellow dwarf disease were showing up in some wheat fields. Pastures continued to green up.



Taylor Named Male Tennis Athlete of the Year

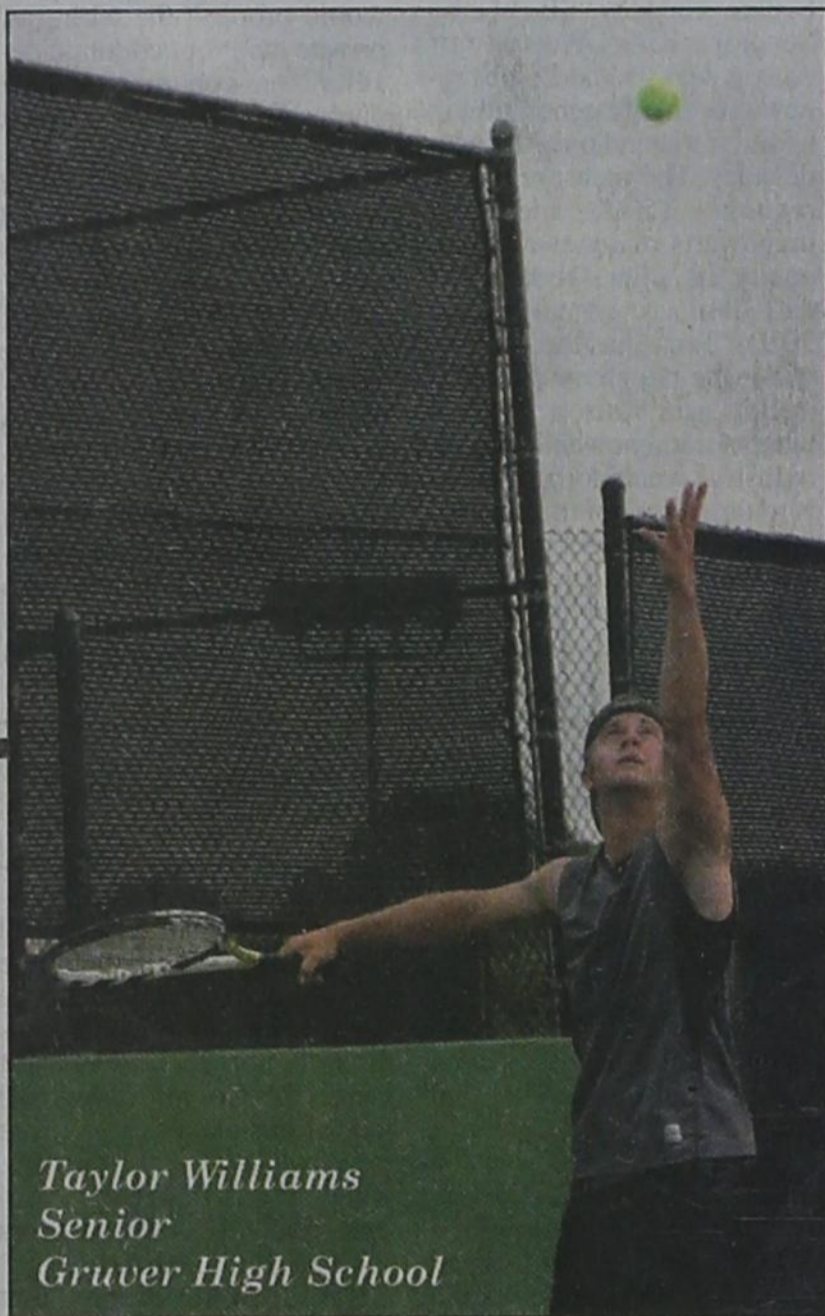
Taylor Williams of Gruver was named the Amarillo Globe-News Top Male Athlete of the Year for Tennis. The GHS senior earned his second consecutive trip to Austin in May for the Class 1A state tennis tournament.

Williams lost only two matches in boys singles all year - to fellow state qualifier Brad Ramsey of Valley and to Mason's Matt Banner in the state semifinals. Banner would go on to win the state championship.

What makes Williams' run more impressive is that he did it competing with a torn ACL in his left knee, an injury that he suffered as a sophomore playing football.

Taylor got a late start because of the basketball playoffs (Williams was the starting point guard for the regional finalist Greyhounds), but he came in and just took off," Gruver tennis coach Bekah Morrison said. "You talk about a competitor. It is really unbelievable what he has been able to accomplish, even with an injury. He was pretty much dominant and took care of business."

Taylor is the son of Ty and Paula of Gruver.



Taylor Williams Senior Gruver High School

Spearman Police Department Launches "Click It or Ticket"

Enforcement Blitz Buckling Down on Those Not Buckled Up - Day and Night

It's that time again for state and local law enforcement officers to get out and remind Texas drivers to buckle up.

According to Texas Department of Transportation Public Information Officer Paul Braun, between May 18th and May 31st, including the Memorial Day holiday weekend, state troopers, police officers and sheriff's deputies will be on Texas streets and highways to enforce the state's safety belt laws. In order to do this, the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, TxDOT and the Texas Department of Public Safety are joining forces to launch this year's statewide Click It or Ticket effort. During this time, law enforcement officers will be working overtime, ticketing drivers and passengers who are not wearing safety belts. The effort, however, is about more than just writing traffic tickets; it's about keeping Texans safe on the road.

"Local surveys show that 83 percent of residents in the Amarillo area are buckling up. We are happy about that, but we're pulling out the stops to reach pickup drivers and passengers, teen drivers and other hold-outs who haven't gotten into the habit of using their safety belts," said Howard Holland, TxDOT's Amarillo District Engineer. "By always buckling up, teen and adult drivers greatly increase their chances of surviving a crash, and staying alive to see the beauty that surrounds us in our majestic state."

Buckling up, he said, is the single, easiest thing motorists can do to protect themselves from death or serious injury if they are ever involved in a crash. According to TxDOT, motor vehicle crashes are the leading cause of death for Texans between the ages of one and 34. Likewise, of all passengers killed in traffic crashes in Texas last year, nearly half weren't buckled up. NHTSA said that for every percent increase in safety belt use, 25 percent fewer Texans will be killed in traffic crashes, and another 586 will escape serious injury. That could add up to 51 lives saved and 1,178 injuries prevented. Wearing a safety belt can increase a passenger's odds of surviving a serious crash by up to 50 percent, and the number increases greatly for those riding in a pickup truck.

More than that, however, wearing a safety belt is the law. Drivers and front seat passengers can be ticketed for not wearing their safety belts, as well as drivers who do not buckle up their children. Also, children younger than 17 years old must be secured with a safety belt or in a child safety seat, whether in the front seat or back seat; and all children younger than five years old, and less than 36 inches tall, must ride in a child safety seat. Safety belt violations can result in fines up to \$200, plus court costs, Braun said. Also, not buckling up can be even more costly for someone involved in a crash. According to the National Safety Council, lost wages, medical expenses, car repairs, taxes, increases in insurance premiums, travel delays and lost quality of life resulting from a crash can add up to \$3.3 million per death and \$35,000 per injury.

The eighth annual Click It or Ticket enforcement effort is supported through partnerships with DPS and NHTSA, as well as local law enforcement agencies. **The Spearman Police Department is joining with State and local law enforcement agencies and highway safety officials May 18th-31st in an aggressive national Click It or Ticket seat belt enforcement mobilization to increase seat belt use and reduce highway fatalities - with a new emphasis this year on convincing more motorists to buckle up - day and night.**

For more information, visit www.texasclickitorticket.com.



Hounds Claim 2nd in State Golf

by Coach Been

The Gruver Boys Golf Team completed a very successful season by claiming the runner up trophy at the UIL State Golf Championship. The hounds finished behind two time champion Robert Lee High School. Blake Fitzgerald led the hounds with a two day total

of 156, good enough to claim All-State honors.

Thank you to all who have made this team successful, including parents, grandparents, the coaching staff and administration at Gruver High School.

Reception Honoring 2008 Lynxette Cross Country Team



The Spearman Lynxettes 2008 Girls Cross Country Team will be honored on Monday, May 25, 2009 at 7 p.m. at the First Baptist Church New Life Center in Spearman. Everyone is invited to attend this celebration of the 2A State Gold Medalists.

National Highway Traffic Safety Administration Statistics

- 41,059 people were killed on America's roadways in 2007.
- Over 14,000 passenger vehicle occupants killed in 2007 were not wearing their seat belts at the time of the fatal crash.
- In 2007, nearly 2.5 million people were injured in crashes.
- Motor vehicle crashes cost the U.S. economy an estimated \$230.6 billion every single year.

Texas Senate Review

Week in Review

May 15, 2009



The Senate of the State of Texas
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Director

Texas would expand its renewable energy portfolio under a bill approved by the Senate Tuesday. SB 541 by Senator Kirk Watson of Austin seeks to add other renewable energy generation in addition to wind over the next decades. The measure would require 1500 additional megawatts of renewable capacity in solar, geothermal and biomass generation by 2020. "Texas has the sun, the wind, the people and the demand," said Watson. "This is where [the renewable energy industry] wants to be if there is a long term commitment." Voters would get to choose whether or not to limit the ability of the government to exercise eminent domain if a

measure passed by the Senate Monday becomes law. Under SJR 42, by Lubbock Senator Robert Duncan, a constitutional amendment would be put before the voters in the November election, one that would prohibit the taking of private land for economic development or tax revenue purposes. That bill now heads to the House.

Two measures that could affect many Texas drivers and their passengers passed the Senate this week. The first, SB 1317 by Senator Jeff Wentworth would require first time driver's license applicants aged 18-20 to take a driver's education course before they could be licensed. Current law requires a written and a driving test, but Wentworth says that people who haven't taken an education course are among the riskiest

drivers. He added the course can be taken at one of 300 approved instructors, or online, and the course takes about 6 hours and costs less than \$40.

The second measure would require everyone riding in a car to buckle up, not just the driver or front seat passengers. Current law requires that anyone aged under 15 that is in a seat with a seatbelt use it, but SB 1028 by Watson would extend that requirement to passengers of all ages. If the bill becomes law, Texas would join 35 other states in requiring all passengers to wear a seatbelt.

Other bills passed by the Senate this week include:

- SB 2573, by Ogden, would require all state entities currently engaged in biomedical research to report to the Legislature on any research involving stem cells or human cloning,
- HB 205, sponsored by Estes, would exempt farm guard dogs from leash laws,
- HB 1510, sponsored by Jackson, which seeks to educate new parents about the risks of sudden infant death syndrome.

The Senate will reconvene Monday, May 18 at 11 a.m.

State Capital HIGHLIGHTS

AUSTIN — The Texas Senate on May 14 approved legislation that requires automobile passengers of all ages to buckle their seatbelts, no matter where they sit.

Sen. Kirk Watson, D-Austin, author of SB 1028, said, "This is about safety; it's about making sure that people don't end up dying or in the hospital."

Watson said Texas Department of Transportation figures show that in 2006 there were nearly 400 traffic fatalities that could have been prevented by wearing a seatbelt, and that passengers not wearing seatbelts are twice as likely to be hospitalized after a crash.

Texas would join 35 other states that mandate seatbelts for all passengers if the bill is approved by the House and signed by the governor.

ADULTS RIDING IN BACK SEAT WOULD HAVE TO BUCKLE UP UNDER PROPOSED LAW



by Ed Sterling

Rep. John Zerwas, R-Houston, a physician, and Texas Department of Public Safety, rendered first aid on the spot. Kuempel was transported to an Austin hospital where he was put into a medically induced coma as part of ongoing treatment.

Kuempel, 66, is chairman of the House Committee on Licensing and Administrative Procedure.

Texas remembers fallen officers

On May 15, Peace Officer Memorial Day, state Capitol Complex flags were flown at half staff in memory of fallen police officers. The day is part of National Police Week.

Human Services chief re-tires

Texas Health and Human Services Commissioner Albert Hawkins announced his retirement after a 35-year career in state government.

Hawkins, head of the agency since January 2003, earlier served as a senior White House aide to then-President George W. Bush. From 1995 to 2000 he was governor's office budget director for then-Gov. Bush. Before that, Hawkins was an

employee of the state Legislative Budget Board for 16 years.

Parks & Wildlife cancels Expo

Carter Smith, executive director of the Texas Parks & Wildlife Department, announced that the Texas Parks and Wildlife Expo scheduled for Oct. 3-4 has been canceled and plans for the 2010 Expo have been suspended.

Smith said costs of putting on the events previously were underwritten by sponsors, but sponsorship has been adversely affected by the economic downturn.

AG charges telemarketing firms

Texas Attorney General Greg Abbott on May 14 charged three telemarketing firms with participating in an illegal scheme to sell vehicle service contracts that were falsely marketed as extended warranties.

Two California-based telemarketing firms, SCM Media Inc. and On Point Media Inc., along with a Nevada company, Pacific Guard Warranty LLC, are named defendants in the state's enforcement action.

Wolf Creek Heritage Museum Notes

MUSEUM HAPPENINGS

Last week was a quiet, but productive week at the museum. A nice stream of visitors each day visiting from several states - CA, AZ, CO - hopefully a good forecast for summer. The Wednesday team is catching up with the work behind the scenes that allow the museum to be what it is.

Georgia finally had time to work on our scrapbooks that record our exhibits, special events, news coverage, etc. (She is the short version of the past role of archivist.) We just don't have the space to keep every piece of paper, so Georgia keeps a snapshot in volumes. These are available for review, so if you want to visit our past, simply ask to see our scrapbooks.

Ann has started her new project involving our collections of books. Only Ann would volunteer for such a task. We really appreciate her. Fern reviewed and updated the obit books and did her usual cleaning, which we truly appreciate. Ann and Fern keep us tidy. The only area they haven't ventured into is "the office." I think it is too frightening.

Dort worked on accessing new items and worked on the office business. A never ending task - as the museum succeeds, the business end grows.

Reminders
Tickets are available for the Dugout Dinner. Make your reservations by calling 806-852-2123.

Keep the memberships coming. The drive is going nicely. Second round of renewals will be sent out in June. Renew now.

HISTORICAL MUSINGS

This weekend, a historical event occurred with the estate auction of Hilmer and Lottie Koch. The items led us through more than 50 years of Lipscomb County living. All the various parts to repair cars from the 1940's thru the 60's. Old grain and farm trucks with a sampling of our favorite cars - thunderbirds, fairlanes, etc.

There were items that Hilmer and Lottie had collected over the years reflecting family life from beer and wine making to milking, butter making and canning. The old beautiful ornate stove was originally either in the courthouse or the school used by Hilmer to heat his shop. The stove was a true prize at the auction. We heard stories of girls assisting their mother do the family washings with the ringer washers (still working), the old porcelain, kerosene stoves, and so many household tools, bikes, etc.

As enjoyable as the auction was the true treat of the day - meeting and visiting the Koch family, Lipscomb County residents and people from the Panhandle area, the family stories that were shared as items came up for sale, as well as other stories. I think that is why I am an auction addict - the people and the stories that I hear are all treasures.

The Koch family is one of our oldest families. Michael and Katherina Koch immigrated to the United States in 1902 from Eigenfeld, Russia. Their port of entry was in Galveston, TX. They traveled to Shattuck, OK and settled on a farm southwest of town. Michael's sixth child, Jacob M. Koch was around nineteen

when they came to America on the F. Missier Brennen. Jacob married (Molly) Amalia (Piel) in 1906 in Shattuck, OK. They lived on a farm south of Shattuck until 1913. They then bought a farm south of Lipscomb, TX. They had ten children (Hilmer was born in OK prior to the move to Texas). Jacob helped build the St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church in 1917. He also donated an acre of land for the St. John's Lutheran Cemetery, south of Lipscomb.

Hilmer was married to Charlotte (Lottie) Miller in 1933 at the St. John's Lutheran Church. Lottie was the daughter of Fred and Charlotte Littau Meller. The Kochs continued the family tradition of farming and ranching. In 1947, they built a home in Lipscomb and he purchased a repair shop in 1948 where he did auto repairs for friends and neighbors (this was the site of the auction). Hilmer also drove the local school bus for several years.

The Kochs were always involved with the church and community. Hilmer served on the church board and the school board. Lottie served the church as Ladies Aide, and on the Altar guild. She also served as PTA officer and was a member of the community quilting club.

Hilmer and Lottie enjoyed playing cards and dominoes, but were best known for the love of family and community. This was evident Saturday as we met and visited with their seven children and their families.

In preparing this article, I read one comment on Hilmer that reported that he loved to tell jokes and provide "puzzles" for the 7K "Fable of Knowledge".

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HAT'S OFF!

- ACROSS**
- *This Minnie wore one with a price tag hanging down
 - Cathode-ray tube
 - Dall's Gala or Dante's Beatrice, e.g.
 - ___ but a goodie
 - Hawaiian necklace
 - The charge unit named after Michael Faraday
 - *Many wear a fedora on one
 - "Ofentimes" in poetry
 - African antelope
 - *Worn for protection
 - Viggo Mortensen's animal co-star in '04 movie
 - Unhappy
 - Office communicue
 - Cranberry habitat
 - Between a trot and a gallop
 - Aspiring doctor's undergrad work
 - Day before holiday, pl.
 - Ancient Semitic deity
 - In the act of moving
 - Memorization by repetition
 - Healing salt
 - One who's on
- DOWN**
- Most famous Spice Girl?
 - Singer Fitzgerald
 - Sixth month of civil year
 - Orange and lemon peels, e.g.
 - Deadly
 - Blood problem

- ACROSS**
- *In the NFL his hat is white
 - Tax of one tenth
 - Cheekbone
 - Eurasian mountain range
 - Crooned
 - Eddible root of taro plant
 - *Dear to Indiana
 - Sun-dried brick
 - One who is playfully mischievous
 - Ruler's purpose
 - *Green in military?
 - Convex molding
 - Marley's "___, Stand Up"
 - One of Three Bears
 - '90s sarcastic catchphrase
 - "Moulin ___!"
 - Resembling wings
 - NHL court
 - Great merriments
 - Computer maker Michael
 - *Popular in baseball
 - Affirmatives
- DOWN**
- Files suit against
 - S-shaped molding
 - Monster's loch
 - South American tuber
 - Body
 - Ardor
 - TV's "My Name is ___"
 - Pas in ballet, e.g.

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Happy Birthday!

May 21
Birthday - Steven Foster, Holly Holt Key, Jenny Hart, Brad Johnson, Mae McLoughlin, Dennis Baker, Mike Kizzar, Carolyn McDaniel, Judy Vela, Faye Schmehr, Tracy Kirkpatrick, Veronica Gomez, Michael Quillin, Gabby Briones, James Martin
Anniversary - M/M Francisco Borunda

May 22
Birthday - Kaitlyn Poole, Sorrele Blevens, Geneva Eddleman, Tamra Gammon, Kathryn Gumfory, Jo Copeland, Amy Gumfory Seagler, Lacey Morris, Alan Shields, James Osbourne, Joe Garza, Maria Vela, Vickie Genn, Flossie Boyd, Cassie Myatt, Carla Woodington, Detsi Vera
Anniversary - Irvin & Helen Boyd, M/M Steve Reed, M/M Rex Reid

May 23
Birthday - Stefan Dorman, Clifford George, Brad Womble, Monet Lassiter, Scott Alfred, Lloyd Poole, Gladys Mitchum, David Collins, James Ooley, Bernie Olivare, Dorothea Keys
Anniversary - M/M Otto Gamil, M/M Tom Latta, M/M J.P. TeBeest, M/M Brent Stedje

May 24
Birthday - Roy Edwards, Steve Gross, Faye Harris, Patti Bellows, Wanda Jones, Betsy Martin, Kimberly Gross, Shirley Hefley, Manuel Ortiz, Billy Brown, Shane Sumner, Walter Goodnight, Chris Schmehr, Brittany Morris, Carson Williams, Jan Williamson
Anniversary - Earl & Trudi Goodheart, Pamela & Gary Cates, M/M Dwain Weller

May 25
Birthday - Brett Rudolph, Mrs. J.C. Rhea, Ozzy Osbourne, Bart Baker, Wauwayne Cope, Betty Uptergrove, Kara Lee, Becky Myers, Alfonso Munez, Kimberly Groves, Brandi Burch, Lynette Campbell, Lindsey Wright, Josh Reed, Dan Wheelock
Anniversary - Andy & Sheila Watley, M/M James Terry, M/M Curtis Covington

May 26
Birthday - Garrett Gumfory, Tessa Dawn Thoreson, Roger Buchanan, Gloria Arjona, Mike Owens, Don Savage, Marc Morris, G.A. Rodriguez, Michelle Robinson, Jason Varnon, Wanda Gift, Manda Michelle Lewis, Louis Miesner
Anniversary - Don & Teresa England, M/M Jesus Favela, M/M Nick Holt, Mark & Margy Schoenhals

May 27
Birthday - Jamie Casdorff, Rachelle Holt, Andee Salmans, Julie Stedje, Chris Tomlinson, Julie Latta, Mary Ann George, Darrell West, Debbie Cook, Cindy Hendrick, Roy Black, Jim Myers, Ronnie Thompson, Gloria Perez, Laurcen Williams, Bonnie Thompson, Christian Fisher
Anniversary - M/M Allen Davis, M/M James George, M/M Herb Hager, M/M Jerry Moore, Bobby & Kay Snider

May 28
Birthday - Randy Brown, Lee Schubert, Kevin Nelson, Ramiro Arjona Sr., Nita Barnes, Brandi Blodgett, Martin Ketron, Barbara Sharp, Connie Gammil, Vera Dominguez, Gloria Perez, Crystal Miller, Victoria Vela
Anniversary - M/M Sammy Don Jones, Jr. & Nita Barnes, Lewis & DeLores Moreno, Dr. & Mrs. Scot Martin

May 29
Birthday - Camile Miller, Dayton Edwards, Wilma Francis, Danny Dry, Wayne Groves, Jesus Espinosa, Jana Wright, Allen Alfred, Linda Pearson, Cody Thoms, Clint Schnell, Virginia Cates
Anniversary - M/M Stan Seagler, M/M Kevin Holt, M/M Gary Gumfory

May 30
Birthday - Orvil Brumett, Sharon Cook, Patty Hudson, Lynanne Maize, Phillip Atwood, Kimberly Nelson, John Brinkley, Terri King, Ramero Arjona, Rick Holt, Bobby Lesley, Connie Ross, Marie Hernandez, Richard Paschel
Anniversary - M/M Matt Johnson, M/M David Tomlinson

May 31
Birthday - Jessica Favela, Buster McLain, Virginia Taylor, Jeri Lynn Maize, Brandon Reed, Ronnie Lusby, John Sutterfield, Carl Cook, Shauna Poole, Curtis Newman, Olena Shelton, Brent Fuller, Tommie Dewberry
Anniversary - Mike & Michelle Davis, M/M Wayne Garrett, M/M Chet Pittman

June 1
Birthday - Lexy (Spivey) Glass, Kevin Rook, Avo Gray, Ken Pracher, Kim Reed, Bryon Sutterfield, Phil Sanders, Ivonne Sullivan, Jean Zable, Anthony Arjona, Evan Cudd
Anniversary - Jim & Donetta Greene, M/M Doyle Jackson, M/M Dale Hendricks, Steven & Susan Poole, M/M Craig Cooper, Joe & Debbie Clement

Words from Faith & Grace



by Cecil R. Biggers, Lutheran Lay Minister

We celebrate the Ascension of Christ as we study Acts 1: 1-11, Psalm 47, Ephesians 1: 15-23 and Luke 24: 44-53.

In Acts, Luke tells Theophilus that in his gospel he wrote about all that Jesus did and taught from the beginning. In Acts, Luke is telling the story of the Holy Spirit and the Church. Jesus is shown ordering the disciples not to leave Jerusalem until they receive the 'promise of the Father'. The disciples ask if he is going to restore the Kingdom to Israel. Jesus tells the disciples that they will be his witnesses in Jerusalem, Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth. Saying this he ascends into heaven. The disciples stand gazing into heaven. Two men in white robes appear and ask, "Men of Galilee why do you stand looking up toward heaven? This Jesus who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven." The disciples despite Jesus' explanations of scripture were still looking for the restoration of the old Jerusalem; Jesus was directing them to the new Jerusalem eternal in the heavens.

The Psalmist sings "Clap your hands all you peoples..." for "God has gone up with a shout..." for "God is king over the nations, God sits on his holy throne."

Paul reminds us that we have received an inheritance through our Lord, Jesus Christ. We are marked by the seal of the Holy Spirit. Paul prays that each believer will have a spirit of wisdom (Greek Sophia) which is the wisdom of the deeper things of God. Paul prays that each believer will come to a greater revelation and fuller knowledge of Jesus Christ. Paul then shows us Christ seated in heaven on the right hand of God, the Father, Almighty, where Christ is the ruler of all things and the head of the church, which is his body. With Christ as the head of the church, he is counting on us to continue his work on earth as his 'body'.

Luke in his gospel, shows us Christ explaining the scripture to his disciples in the upper room. Christ then leads them out as far as Bethany, blesses them, and while he is blessing them, he is carried into heaven. We are told the disciples returned to Jerusalem with great joy. We see here the reality of the resurrection; we see here the explanation of the necessity of the cross; we see the urgency of our task of spreading the gospel; we see the secret of the power from on high, the Holy Spirit. In this scripture, we see the end of Christ's earthly ministry and the beginning of his heavenly reign. In this scripture we see the beginning of our service on earth to spread the gospel of Jesus Christ.

Dear Christian, sometimes we may feel hostility toward other Christians not of our persuasion; but all who profess Jesus as Messiah, all who are 'sealed' by baptism by the Holy Spirit are part of the church universal, the faith community, the Body of Christ. Let us not be found complaining that our part of the Body of Christ is not receiving due praise; rather, let us be found rejoicing that we are chosen to share our joy in Jesus Christ. May the Holy Spirit be with you now and forever.

Our Sympathy

NOVA SCHUBERT BAIR

Nova Schubert Bair was born January 5, 1911 in Iberia Mo. She died May 19, 2009 at Briarcliff Health Center in Greenville, TX.

Graveside services will be 2 p.m. on Thursday, May 21, 2009 at Llano Cemetery in Amarillo.

She resided in Amarillo and later moved to Garland Texas. Nova graduated from West Texas State University in Canyon TX with a music degree and from Bible College. She taught piano at the Amarillo Conservatory of Music until she retired and still taught private lessons in her home. She composed music and was a poet having published several books, one such book is "Journey to Jerusalem". She was a world traveler gathering material for her poetry. She can be found on the internet under Nova Schubert Bair.

Nova was a member of the First United Methodist Church where she played the organ and hand bells. She will be missed by all of her family and friends, but we know that she is in heaven directing and singing with the choir of angles, composing music and writing poetry.

She is survived by 2 nephews, Burton and wife Suzie Schubert of Spearman, TX, Jerald and wife Becky Caldwell of Sachse TX and a niece Marilyn Schubert Groves and husband Fred Groves of Greenville TX, numerous great, nieces and nephews and great, great nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her husband, parents, 2 brothers, 1 sister and 1 nephew.

Thank You!

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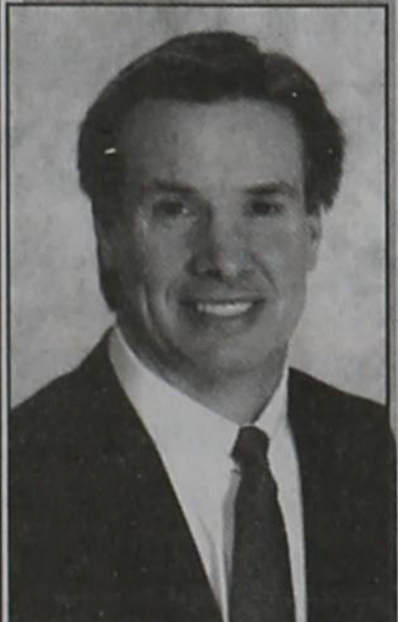
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<p>Oslo</p> <p>Oslo Lutheran Church (ELCA) 6 Miles West & 12 Miles North of Gruver 339-7646 Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Worship: 11 a.m. Pastor - Allen Lloyd</p>	<p>Morse</p> <p>Morse Baptist Church 733-2757 Pastor - Mike Martin</p>	<p>Waka</p> <p>Church of Christ 300 Rogers Ave. 202-7126 Sunday Worship: 6 p.m. Wednesday Bible Study: 6 p.m. Preacher - James Gordon</p>	

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Medical Fund for Nancy DeLuna Jernberg
A medical fund has been established for Nancy DeLuna Jernberg of Stinnett. Nancy was diagnosed with a rare malignant brain tumor and will be undergoing treatment. If you would like to make a contribution you may make a deposit with any teller or mail a donation to H&H Federal Credit Union, 104 Main Street, Stinnett TX 79083.

Project Graduation 2009
The parents of the Spearman High School Class of 2009 will sponsor and host a "Project Graduation Party" following commencement exercises Friday May 29th. Graduates will be provided with food, games, activities, and fun! In addition, to encourage the graduates to stay the entire night, door prizes are awarded throughout the evening. The graduation party will culminate with the distribution of grand prizes. Prizes, gift certificates, and cash are needed for the evening's gifts. If you would be willing to share in the final "class of 2009" memory, please contact Patti Schnell at 659-2919, Paula Cooper at 659-3133, Shannon Barnes at 659-2164 or Maria Sibley at 659-1037. Contributions can be mailed to: Project Graduation - Maria Sibley, P.O. Box 74, Spearman, TX, 79081.

SHS Scholarship Foundation Accepting Donations
Spearman Scholarship Foundation is now accepting donations for the Class of 2009. The board members are Bill Pittman, Richey Thompson, Haley, Charles Shieldknight, Bret Burgin, Jim Derington, and Mary Dixon. You may contact any one of them to donate. Total scholarships awarded last year were \$74,047.90 at graduation.

SISD Bad Weather Day
Spearman ISD will make up for Bad Weather Day (school was closed due to snow storm) on Monday, May 25, 2009.

Oslo Lutheran Fundraiser

Oslo Lutheran will be celebrating 100 years in 2010! To help get the centennial celebration planning underway, the church will be having Antiquities come out to provide Oslo and surrounding communities with timeless photographs as their fundraiser. Please help support the church by purchasing a \$10 coupon. For purchasing the coupon, you will receive not only one FREE 10 x 13 picture, but TWO FREE 10 x 13s! The free offer is for children, newborn to sixteen years of age. Anyone is welcome to come out to support the church by purchasing a \$10 coupon, but the FREE offer is for the children 0-16 years. Limit 1 coupon/family. For more information, call Ammie at (806)339-7329 or Oslo Lutheran at (806)339-7646. Antiquities will be coming to photograph May 29-31, unless otherwise posted. All proceeds will be matched from Trivent Financial for Lutherans, the Texas Panhandle Chapter. Thank you for your support!

6th Annual XIT Trail of Sales
The Dalhart Area Chamber of Commerce and the Texas AgriLife Extension are excited to announce the 6th Annual XIT Trail of Sale coming up on Saturday, June 6, 2009 from 8 a.m.-4 p.m. The XIT Trail of Sales brings together Channing, Hartley, Dalhart and Texline for 75 miles of Yard Sales, Garage Sales, Flea Markets and more. Start making plans to shop the XIT Trail, then visit www.dalhart.org after June 2nd to download community maps marking the location of registered sales. For more information, contact the Chamber at 806-244-5646 or the Texas AgriLife Extension at 806-244-4434.

Children's Fishing Tournament
The Wolf Creek Improvement Board will be hosting a Children's Fishing Tournament at Lake Fryer on Saturday, June 6, 2009. Registration will begin at 8 a.m. at the gazebo located on the north shore of the lake. There will be a \$1/contestant registration fee with all proceeds dedicated for improvements to the lake. The first 220 contestants will receive a free registration bag including a fishing pole and t-shirt. (However, last year we had more contestants than fishing poles, so anyone who has a fishing pole is encouraged to bring theirs as backup!) Saturday is a free fishing day for ALL ages, so no permits will be needed. The tournament ends at 12 noon with prizes awarded at 1 p.m. Prizes will be awarded in three age groups: Ages 1-5, Ages 6-10, and Ages 11-14. Additional "All Ages" prizes will be awarded for First Fish Caught, Largest Fish, Smallest Fish, First Turtle, Most Unusual Thing Found in the Park, and the Contestant Who Traveled the Furthest. A special category prize will be given for anyone 80 or over assisting a contestant. For further information, please contact Kay Allison at Allegiance Communications, 806-435-3231 during business hours, or Jan Hickey at 806-45-3249.

Texas AgriLife Extension to Offer Food Manager Certification Training Course
Texas AgriLife Extension Service, Hansford County, is offering a food manager certification training course called "Food Safety: It's Our Business" on June 23-24 at Fellowship Hall of Church of Christ, 121 Haney Street, Spearman. The deadline for signing up to attend is June 9. The course fee of \$110 includes training, materials and the State food manager certification examination. For those individuals wanting to test only, the cost is \$60. Food establishments under the Texas Department of State Health Services (DSHS) jurisdiction are required by law to have one certified food manager on site. If successfully completed, this course meets the state requirement. New food manager certificates will be valid for 5 years. For more information about the Food Manager Certification Training course of Texas AgriLife Extension Service, call Peggy Winegarner, Hansford County Extension Agent, at 806-659-4131.

Miss Hansford Scholarship Pageant
The Women's Division Spearman Chamber of Commerce will host the 2009 Miss Hansford Scholarship Pageant on June 9, 2009, at 7:00 p.m. in the Spearman High School auditorium. The theme for this year is "A Pink Tie Affair." For more information, contact Heather Garcia (806) 681-5147 or Amanda Thompson (806) 338-0810.

Stationmasters House Museum Quilt Show
The Stationmasters House Museum is sponsoring a Quilt Show on Friday, June 13th from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Melissa Nickoff from Fritch will be the featured speaker (at 2:00 p.m.). Helen Neal from Amarillo will have her quilt display that tells about the messages for the underground railroad. This will be held in the Museum Annex Building located at 2nd Ave. and Archer. Anyone wishing to display their quilts may bring them to the Museum (30 Townsend St.) on Friday June 12th from 10 a.m.-12 noon or the Annex Building (2nd and Archer St.) on Saturday morning the 13th. For more information, call Doris at the Museum (806-659-3008), Tuesday thru Saturday.

Canyon High School Reunion
The Class of 1974 of Canyon High School is gathering for a reunion in Canyon and Amarillo the last weekend in June. All CHS graduates from the classes of 1972-1976 are invited to join in the festivities. Preliminary plans include a cook-out at Conner Park in Canyon on Friday night, June 26th; tour of the new high school on Saturday afternoon, June 27th; and a big party at the Big Texan in Amarillo the night of the 27th. Make plans to attend now. Current details can be found on Facebook (Canyon High School - Class of '74 Reunion), or by contacting Brenda Brooks at 806-351-0432.

Fire Department Donations
Persons wishing to make donations to the Fire Departments in Hansford County may do so at the following addresses: Spearman Fire Department, Box 37, Spearman TX 79081; Gruver Fire Department, Box 947, Gruver TX 79040 or Morse Fire Department, Box 28, Morse TX 79062.

Take Off Pounds Sensibly Meets
Take Off Pounds Sensibly (TOPS) meets on Tuesday morning at 8:30 a.m. at the First Christian Church in Gruver. Anyone interested is invited to attend. For more info, contact Marilyn Been at 806-733-2087.

IRS won't e-mail you about your refund
If you get an e-mail about your tax refund that appears to be from the Internal Revenue Service, don't be fooled. It's probably coming from internet thieves looking to steal your personal information, like credit card or bank account numbers. "Many folks have tax refunds coming back this time of year, and crooks might take advantage of that fact," Sanford said if the IRS needs to contact you, they will generally send a notice or letter through the U. S. Mail. Delete bogus IRS

Wheat Variety Tour, 2 CEU's Offered May 28th

Area wheat producers are invited to a mini-field day from 10:30 a.m. through noon on May 28 said David Graf, Texas AgriLife Extension Service agriculture and natural resources agent for Sherman County.

Dr. Brent Bean, AgriLife Extension agronomist from Amarillo, will discuss key issues affecting the 2009 crop and new varieties. He will also lead a tour of more than 30 varieties in the field.

Dr. Ed Bynum, AgriLife Extension entomologist from Amarillo, will discuss wheat insect management, as well as briefly explain field research he is conducting in the northern Panhandle.

"We are doing a 'cluster' wheat tour for producers in the area and feel this will give them a good snapshot of how varieties performed under this year's conditions," said Marcel Fischbacher, AgriLife Extension agent for Moore County. "We invite producers from across the area to join us."

Lunch will be provided courtesy of Frische Brothers Fertilizer in Dumas, Premier Ag LLC of Dalhart and the Texas Wheat Producer's Board and Association, stated Graf.

Kody Bessent of the Texas Wheat Producer's Board and Association will provide an update on how wheat check-off dollars are being utilized to benefit wheat producers.

Two continuing education units will be offered, one general and one in integrated pest management.

The test plots are located southwest of Dalhart. From U.S. Highway 385 south of Dalhart, take Highway 281 and go east approximately 4 miles toward Etter. The plots are west of the intersection of Highway 281 and County Road 38, on the north side of the road.

If possible, please RSVP to the AgriLife Extension office in Sherman County, 366-2081 or the AgriLife Extension office in Moore County, 935-2594.

Wolf Creek Heritage Museum Notes

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This is a new one for me and I will be calling the Kochs this week to learn about this and will report back next week with the answer (I hope).
May is memorial month, so remember your ancestors by researching or revisiting their history and their stories. Celebrate their lives.

You are invited to a **Wedding Shower** honoring **Clara Shieldknight** (bride-elect of Chris Simmons) on **Saturday, May 23, 2009** from 10:30 a.m.-12:00 noon at the **Clementine Bed & Breakfast** 822 Evans Spearman, TX

You are invited to a **Wedding Shower** honoring **Adrienne Simpson** (bride-elect of Brent Jackson) on **Saturday, May 30, 2009** from 10:00-11:30 a.m. at the **Home of Stephanie Brock** 901 Barkley Spearman, TX

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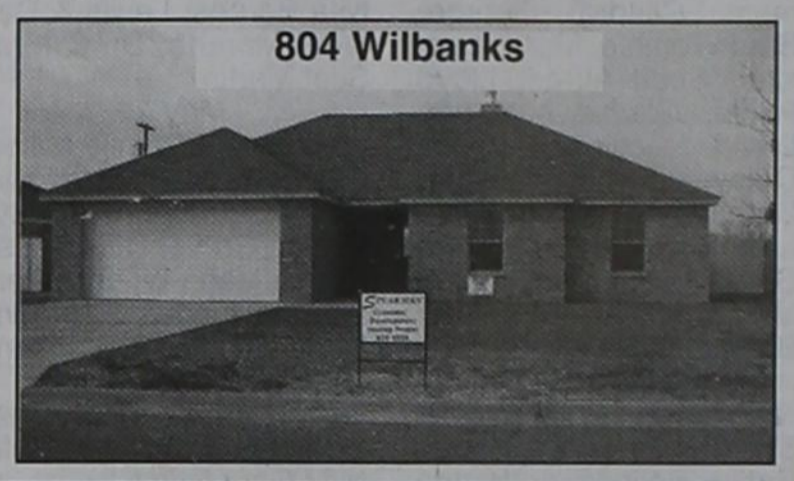
SEDCorp Project Holds Open House

The Spearman Economic Development Corporation (SEDCorp) began a new venture in July 2008 to encourage the construction of new homes in the City of Spearman. The number of homes for sale or rent has declined over the past few years due to the demand for housing from those working in the oil field and agriculture industries. In order to try and meet the need for local housing, SEDCorp purchased several town lots (with options on additional lots).

Contractor, Charles Elliot began construction, and two homes are nearing completion - a 3BR, 2B home located at 804 Wilbanks and a 3BR, 2B home located at 806 Wilbanks. These homes are near Spearman High School, Rocket Slide Park and the Walking Trail. 806 Wilbanks has been purchased.

804 Wilbanks is a 1520 square foot 3 bedroom, 2 bath brick veneer home with a two-car garage. The house has a vaulted living room ceiling with a fireplace and custom raised-panel oak cabinets in the kitchen. The master bath has a tub with a separate shower, and his/her walk in closets. It also features an 8x14-foot patio. This home was appraised at \$138,000, and has a \$4,000 builder incentive at closing.

An Open House will be held on Sunday, May 24th, from 2-4 p.m. More information may also be obtained by calling Charles Elliott at 330-0328, Martin & Associates Realty at 659-2425, or Blankenship Real Estate at 659-3052 or 670-3774. Interested home buyers may also contact Keith Hight, EDC Director, at 659-5555, or Ed Hansen, Spearman City Manager, at 659-2524.



Quote of the Month
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Teal Armes & Joe Lopez - 5/23
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This weekend marks the second annual Energy Star Sales Tax Holiday — an event designed to help Texas consumers buy energy efficient appliances that will help lower their utility bills. The tax holiday provides a great incentive to help consumers replace old, energy-zapping appliances and join statewide energy conservation efforts.

During the three-day tax holiday, May 23-25, Texas shoppers get a break from state and local sales taxes when they purchase certain energy-efficient appliances and other household equipment bearing an Energy Star label. Shoppers can expect to save about \$3 million overall in state and local sales taxes during the event.

The annual savings in average utility costs can really add up after purchasing an Energy Star product. A programmable thermostat can yield \$204 in annual savings. A new, energy efficient central air conditioner unit can save \$190 per year. An Energy Star clothes washer can save up to \$55 annually.

Energy Star Product	Annual Savings
Programmable Thermostats	\$204
Central Air Conditioner *	\$190
Clothes Washer	\$55
Ceiling Fans (three lights)	\$33
Ceiling Fans (no lights)	\$4
Dehumidifiers	\$27
Room or Window Air Conditioners	\$17
Refrigerator	\$13
Dishwasher	\$7
Light Bulbs (compact fluorescents over incandescent)	\$6/bulb

* The central air figure is based on 2,200 cooling hours per year in Houston, which is average for the state of Texas.

Assumptions:

- Avg. Texas Electric Rate: \$0.126 per kWh.
- Avg. Texas Gas Rate: \$1.64 per therm.
- Avg. Texas Water Rate: \$0.004721 per gallon.
- Percent Electric Water Heating in Texas: 44%.

"This weekend, Texans have the opportunity to cash in not once, but twice, on energy efficient appliances," said Texas Comptroller Susan Combs.

The Energy Star Sales Tax Holiday applies only to the following equipment: air conditioners priced less than \$6,000, refrigerators priced less than \$2,000, ceiling fans, incandescent and fluorescent light bulbs, clothes washers, dishwashers, dehumidifiers and programmable thermostats, along with installation and delivery charges for these products.

More information about the tax holiday is available on the Comptroller's Web site at http://www.window.state.tx.us/taxinfo/sales/fa_q_energy_star.html. More information about Energy Star products can be found at www.energystar.gov.

Night At The Museum

You Can See The Movie or Experience The Real Thing

Experience a real Night at the Museum and see what comes to life without the lights on at the Panhandle-Plains Historical Museum Friday, May 29, and Saturday, May 30, from 8:30 to 10 p.m. both nights.

The museum will be dark, so participants should bring their own flashlight. However, only one flashlight is allowed for groups up to four.

Similar to the movie, historical figures will come to life and interact with the visitors. Characters include a pioneer man and woman, an oilfield roughneck, a painter, and more.

The event will not be a "haunted house" in nature, but rather a chance to explore the dark museum and meet historical characters along the way.

Cost for the event is \$12 per person. With their graduation tassel, high school seniors will receive \$2 off admission. Visitors who bring a Night at the Museum 2 movie ticket stub from the UA Amarillo Star Theater in Amarillo or Varsity Theater in Canyon will receive a \$2 discount. Only one discount per person applies.

For more information call 806-651-2259.

GOLF SCRAMBLE

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WHEN: Saturday, June 6, 2007
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WHERE: Hansford Golf Club

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Hansford County Sports

GHS Tennis
by Coach Rebecca Morrison

The Greyhound tennis season was recently wrapped up in Austin on May 11 and 12 at the state tennis tournament. Taylor Williams competed in the boys singles division and reached the semifinals round and finished with a 3rd place finish, for the 2nd year in a row. Taylor had a remarkable season and finished the year with only 2 losses.

Matt Salazar and Lynn Vela competed in the mixed doubles division at the state tournament and competed very well. They too had a remarkable season in which they had a very exciting victory in the regional semifinals to secure their trip to Austin.

The tennis season was a very exciting and successful season for the Greyhounds.

Taylor won the District title three years in a row and the Regional title two years in a row and placed 4th in regionals as a sophomore. He is being honored at the Kid's Inc. Banquet as the Tennis Player of the Month for May, and also as the Male Tennis Athlete of the Year by the Amarillo Globe-News.

Matt and Lynn won the District title two years in a row as doubles partners. Matt reached the Regional level of play three years in a row and Lynn reached the Regional level two years in a row.

Kramer King finished 3rd at district and Cambry Cooper finished 4th at district. Haden Hart and Caleb Miller finished 2nd in the JV boys doubles division at district.

The season was fun and very exciting and leaves us looking forward to another great year of tennis. Thanks for all the interest and support over this past year.

Lynxettes Dial Long Distance
By Les Giles

The Spearman Lynxettes will take five freshmen to the Region I-2A track and field meet that begins today at Ratliff Stadium in Odessa.

Don't let that number fool you because this group has plenty of experience on a larger stage and has experienced its share of success. That's because freshmen Tylo Farrar, Gately Garnett, Sarah Snider, Shelby Hannah and Malory Martin were part of the school's state cross country championship team last fall.

Now, they are eager to make their mark during the spring, coach Kenny Eudy said.

"Because the regional meets were postponed to this later date, we got somewhat of a reprieve," he said. "When the UIL first announced the regional meets had been postponed and that they would take the best four times in each event based on the district meets, we would have got

only one girl to the state meet."

That would have been junior Suttan Garnett in the 3200 meters, and that's probably not her best event. Last year as a sophomore, she qualified for state in the 1600 and placed third at Austin to grab the bronze medal.

"Suttan getting to state last year was somewhat of a surprise," Eudy said. "She definitely surprised a lot of people."

"Going into the regional meet, there were four or five girls who had faster times. But Sutton dropped 21 seconds from her previous best and made it out of regional."

"All last year, she had run against Stratford's Kristen Crabtree (the eventual gold medalist in the 2A mile) in meets and never beat her. But Sutton is very competitive, and in the regional and state meets, she got with Kristen and ran with her."

Eudy said Garnett's times this year haven't improved much simply because she hasn't been pressed much in meets.

"Suttan is in better shape this year and is stronger," he said. "This year she has won every 1600 and 3200 that she's run. Last year, she didn't win any. I won't be surprised to see her post her best times at the regional meet. Will it be enough to get to state? I don't know, but I wouldn't bet against her."

Among the freshmen, Suttan's younger sister Gately will pole vault and run the 100 hurdles at regional. Farrar will run the 800 and 300 hurdles, while Snider will be in the 400 and run on the sprint relay. Hannah will run on the sprint relay, while Martin will high jump.

Senior Bond Pittman will be making her fourth consecutive appearance at the regional meet, competing in the pole vault, triple jump and 300 hurdles.

Junior Preslee Baker will run on the sprint relay in her second straight regional appearance, and sophomore Joselyn Terrazas will vault. The Lynxettes finished 1-2-3 at the district meet in vaulting.

To make it a real family trip for the Garnetts, older brother Kegan, a senior, will be competing in the long jump, triple jump and 110 hurdles.

The Lynx qualified their 1600 relay team as well as seven individuals - Jesus Mendoza (3200 and 1600), Paulo Guidino (3200 and 1600), Dakota Cator (pole vault), Sawyer Sutterfield (high jump), Jose Mendoza (800), Cameron Meddock (300 hurdles) and Fernando Flores (200).

Class 2A Regional Track Meet

In the opening event on Tuesday, May 19, 2009 of the Region I-2A Track and Field Meet at Ratliff Stadium, the girls' 3200, Spearman's Suttan

Garnett knocked some 20 seconds off her personal best this year to win an exciting down-to-the-wire thriller against Colleen Adams of Wall.

Garnett, who qualified for state last year in the 1600 and will attempt to do so again today, sprinted the final 200 yards to edge Adams at the finish line by 15-hundredths of a second, 12:09.87 to 12:10.02.

"I've been working hard in practice at sprinting 200 yards," said Garnett, "and it paid off in this race."

"Usually, I'm content to stay in the pack for most of the race. But in this one, I decided to stay with the leaders early when they made their break."

Team and Individual results follow. The top two qualify for the State Track Meet, scheduled for

Boys

Team standings (through 5 events): 1. Idalou 26; 2. Bushland 24; 3. (tie) Floydada, Muleshoe and Bowie 10; 6. Lubbock Roosevelt 8; 7. (tie) Kermit, Merkel and Shallowater 6.

High jump: 1. Cyler Matlock, Bowie, 6-4; 2. Stormy Smothers, Cisco, 6-4; 3. Will Walker, Shallowater, 6-4; 4. Daniel Washington, Tulia, 6-2; 5. Sawyer Sutterfield, Spearman, 6-0; 6. Crockett Gilmore, Bushland, 5-10.

Girls

Team standings (through 6 events): 1. Crane 22; 2. Merkel 16; 3. Cisco 14; 4. (tie) Idalou, Bangs, San Angelo Grape Creek, Spearman and Sanford-Fritch 10; 9. (tie) Highland Park, Littlefield and Wall 8.

3200: 1. Suttan Garnett, Spearman, 12:09.87; 2. Colleen Adams, Wall, 12:10.02; 3. Danessa Vasquez, San Saba, 12:18.78; 4. Debi Wallis, San Angelo Grape Creek, 12:23.67; 5. Lauren Fowler, Bushland, 12:45.94; 6. Lupita Andrade, Muleshoe, 12:47.38.

Region I-A Track and Field Meet: Wildcats sweep

By Les Giles
Booker's Reed Parvin cleared 6-8 on his first attempt as he matched his personal best to win the high jump competition Wednesday at the Region I-A Track and Field Meet at South Plains College.

In the team competition, Canadian used strong efforts from weight man Caleb Berry on the boys side and sprinter Aven Covin in the girls meet to sweep the team championships.

The high jump figured to be one of the highlight events of the meet, and it certainly played out that way.

By the time the bar got to 6-6 only four of the 16 competitors who began were still in it.

They included Gruver's Rily Urban, Clarendon's Aaron Gordon, who finished second at regionals last year, Plains' Tim Brock, formerly of Canadian, and Parvin.

Urban and Gordon failed to clear the bar at 6-6, while

Brock made it on his first attempt and Parvin on his second.

With the bar at 6-8, Parvin cleared it on his first attempt while Brock missed three straight times to end the competition and send the two to Austin as state qualifiers June 5-6.

Parvin then moved the bar to 6-10, but failed to clear it although on his final try he appeared to have the height before hitting it with his leg coming down.

"The competition was tough," said Parvin. "I knew it would be because there are a lot of good jumpers."

"I was glad to clear 6-8 on my first try, although if neither of us had done so I had fewer misses."

"I'm glad for the opportunity to get back to Austin. Last year, I didn't jump well there. I'll start training hard for that meet and hopefully I'll do better (he was seventh a year ago)."

Nine Panhandle-area boys earned tickets to the state meet in various individual events, while eight girls got there in individual events.

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Boys

Team Results: 1. Canadian 74; 2. Iraan 68; 3. New Deal 63; 4. Van Horn 50; 5. (tie) Plains 36; Wellington 36; 7. Sundown 34; 8. Hale Center 32; 9. Sanderson 28; 10. (tie) Clarendon 23; Bovina 23; 12. Lenora Grady 20; 13. (tie) Memphis 13; Seagraves 13; 15. Gruver 11; 16. (tie) Booker 10; Springlake-Earth 10; Sudan 10; New Home 10; 20. Stratford 9; 21. (tie) Forsan 8, Boys Ranch 8; 23. Follett (tie) 4; Stanton 4; Lefors 4; 28. Claude 2; Tahoka 2; Sunray 2; 31. (tie) West Texas High 1; White Deer 1.

800 Relay: 1. New Deal, 1:32.78; 2. Van Horn, 1:33.19; 3. Iraan, 1:33.94; 4. Stratford, 1:34.72; 5. Canadian, 1:35.26; 6. Gruver, 1:35.34.

Triple jump: 1. Westin Williams, Wellington, 43-0; 2. Johnny Gaines, Clarendon, 42-11½; 3. Carlos Rodriguez, Iraan, 42-9¼; 4. Rily Urban, Gruver, 42-3¼; 5. Mason Elam, Sundown, 42-4; 6. Manuel Chavoya, Stratford, 41-7¼.

High jump: 1. Reed Parvin, Booker, 6-8; 2. Tim Brock, Plains, 6-6; 3. Aaron Gordon, Clarendon, 6-4; 4.

Rily Urban, Gruver, 6-4; 5. Eric Beall, Boys Ranch, 6-2; 6. Kenny Griffin, Seagraves, 6-2.

GIRLS

Team Results: 1. Canadian, 79; 2. Seagraves, 48; 3. Sudan, 47; 4. Sunray, 38.5; 5. Boys Ranch, 35; 6. Sundown, 34; 7. Lockney, 28; 8. McCamey, 20; 9. (tie) McCamey, Crosbyton, Shamrock, 18; 12. (tie) Wellman-Union, Wink, 17; 14. (tie) Bovina, Mertzon Irian County, Wellington, 14; 17. Anton, 13; 18. Whiteface, 12; 19. Welch Dawson, 11; 20. Stratford, 10; 21. Imperial Buena Vista, 9; 22. Forsan, 8.5; 23. (tie) Lefors, Wheeler, Clarendon, Eldorado, 8; 27. (tie) Channing, O'Donnell, 7; 29. (tie) Vega, Happy, Lenora Grady, Gruver, 6; 33. (tie) Ropesville Ropes, Iraan, Witharral, Meadow, Ralls, 4; 38. (tie) Springlake-Earth, Sanderson, 2; 40. (tie) Christoval, Ira, Lamesa Klondike, 1.

3200: 1. Meghan Bass, Crosbyton, 11:41.45; 2. Melissa Velazco, Shamrock, 11:51.98; 3. Emeline Crutcher, Wellman-Union, 11:56.77; 4. Shelley Gibson, Gruver, 12:21.68; 5. Yadira Garcia, Bovina, 12:27.77; 6. Halie Merket, Canadian, 12:32.96.

800: 1. Amber Thornberry, Sunray, 2:27.19; 2. Mackenzie Hodge, Sundown, 2:28.11; 3. Shelby Greenwalt, Shamrock, 2:30.05; 4. Haley Sparks, Wheeler, 2:30.87; 5. Shelley Gibson, Gruver, 2:32.07; 6. Mercedes Antuna, O'Donnell, 2:32.61.

Area boys track honor roll
Friday, May 15, 2009

Note: Honor Roll does not include performances at Wednesday's Region I-1A meet.

110 Hurdles: Westin Williams, Wellington 14.10; Michael Stigler, Canyon 14.61; Darren McCaslin, Tulia 14.75; Christian Puschman, Amarillo High 14.80; Ed Ned, Dumas 14.83; Tyler Howard, Amarillo High 14.84; Logan Stegall, Childress 15.02; Casey Felton, Randall 15.19; Kegan Garnett, Spearman 15.24; Eric Needham, Wellington 15.41; Cam Kleinschmidt, Bushland 15.75; Nick Alexander, Boys Ranch 15.85

300 Hurdles: Tyler Howard, Amarillo High 38.86; Christian Puschman, Amarillo

High 39.65; Michael Stigler, Canyon 39.87; Clint Cockrell, Canadian 39.95; Francisco Casanova, Dumas 39.95; Tyler Crump, Panhandle 40.11; Darren McCaslin, Tulia 40.44; Brett Scheve, Randall 41.2; Westin Williams, Wellington 41.23; Logan Stegall, Childress 41.39; Bryan Wayne, Palo Duro 41.50; Cameron Meddock, Spearman 41.62

800 Relay: Palo Duro 1:30.0; Randall 1:30.25; Panhandle 1:31.05; Caprock 1:31.34; Tascosa 1:31.50; Dumas 1:31.88; Dalhart 1:31.99; Floydada 1:32.07; Amarillo High 1:32.25; Childress 1:32.52; Stratford 1:32.8; Gruver 1:33.44

1600 Relay: Amarillo High 3:22.51; Panhandle 3:24.32; Palo Duro 3:24.33; Canadian 3:26.56; Randall 3:28.88; Dumas 3:30.19; Childress 3:31.3; River Road 3:31.24; Borger 3:31.49; Spearman 3:32.93; Tascosa 3:33.0; Gruver 3:34.29

High Jump: Reed Parvin, Booker 6-8; Aaron Gordon, Clarendon 6-6; Rily Urban, Gruver 6-4; Chris Austin, Caprock 6-4; Terrence Williams, Dumas 6-2; Logan Brittain, Westover JH 6-2; Chris Sigler, West Texas 6-2; Sawyer Sutterfield, Spearman 6-2; Eric Self, Boys Ranch 6-2; Curtis Nash, Palo Duro 6-2; Daniel Washinton, Tulia 6-2; Wesley Shannon, Amarillo High 6-2

Long Jump: Aarrhon Flores, Floydada 22-9½; Shawn Haworth, Amarillo High 21-10; Kegan Garnett, Spearman 21-8; Eric Heyd, Dumas 21-5¼; Demetrius Ryan, Tascosa 21-3¼; Warren Maxwell, Randall 21-3½; Michael Henderson, Memphis 21-2¼; Michael Sanchez, Sanford-Fritch 21-¾; Johnny Gaines, Clarendon 20-11¼; Quincy Hicks, Palo Duro 20-11; Thomas Brown, Palo Duro 20-10½; Chris Sommers, Caprock 20-10¼

Triple Jump: Dontae Flements, Childress 44-6; Aarrhon Flores, Floydada 44-1¼; Kegan Garnett, Spearman 44-0; Jeremy Henderson, Panhandle 43-9; Michael Stigler, Canyon 43-8; Warren Maxwell, Randall 43-7; Terrence Williams, Dumas 43-7; Westin Williams, Wellington 43-3½; Roderick Woodard, Quanah 43-3½; Felix Crain, Palo Duro 43-2; Rily Urban, Gruver 43-2; Toby Dennis, Tascosa 42-10

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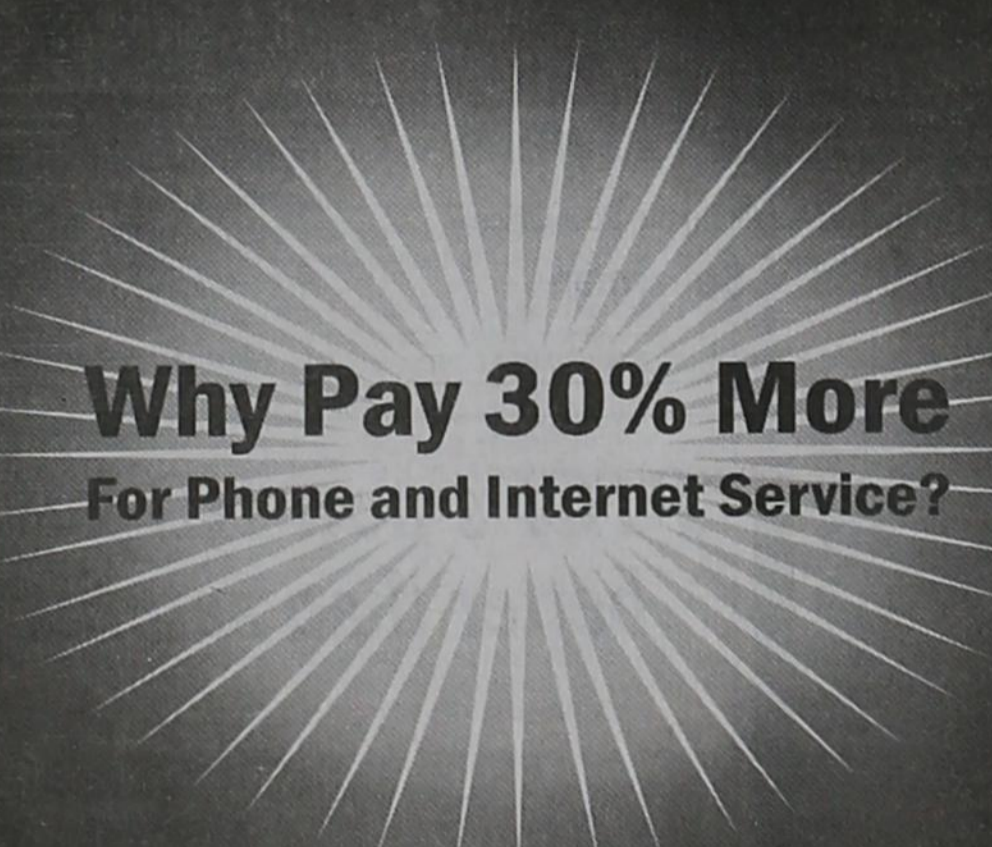
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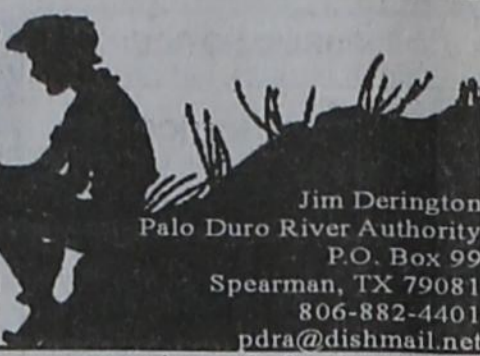
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Scissor-tail on the Nature Walk Sign

Lake Level--May 18, 2009--22.98 feet (-0.33)

Jim is hearing a lot of compliments on the Park now. It is green with many wild flowers blooming, and it looks great. The restrooms are open, and they are kept clean. This past weekend there were 12 RVs behind the dam and 1 on the office side. Several of the RVs were from a group out of Dumas and Sunray that come for a visit 2 or 3 times a year. The Stinnett Elementary

School came last Friday for a day of fun. The Spearman Church of Christ had the shelter Sunday afternoon.

Memorial Day weekend is usually busy at the Park. Several have made reservations.

Jim is seeing a few rattlesnakes now. As you enjoy the out of doors, remember to be alert to the other creatures that live there.

The turkeys are scattered over the area. It is fun to see the toms fanning those big tails and strutting to catch the

attention of the hens. The Lazuli Buntings are still being seen, so keep an eye out for them.

Small boats are beginning to appear on the Lake. Fishing seems to be only fair.

Early History of Farwell
We have another item from the Panhandle Interstate of Lipscomb, Texas written August 19, 1887:

Farwell A. Weatherlt, manager for the Farwell Town Co., Hansford County, Texas, accompanied by James and John McKeever, passed through Lipscomb on Wednesday for their town. He says the Farwell Town Co. is composed of three different companies, one from Harper, one from Sterling, and one from Garden City, Kansas. They have consolidated and laid out their town exactly in the center of the county. The company plans to build all the houses that are needed for the present and sink three wells. There is owned by individuals in the company seventeen sections of land in Hansford County, and it is their aim to build up a county town and help settle up the county. The county has yet only about seventy-five settlers, and they will not attempt an organization this year.

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The products qualifying for the exemption are:

- Air conditioners priced under \$6,000 (room and central units)
- Clothes washers (but not clothes dryers*)
- Ceiling fans
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- Dishwashers
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