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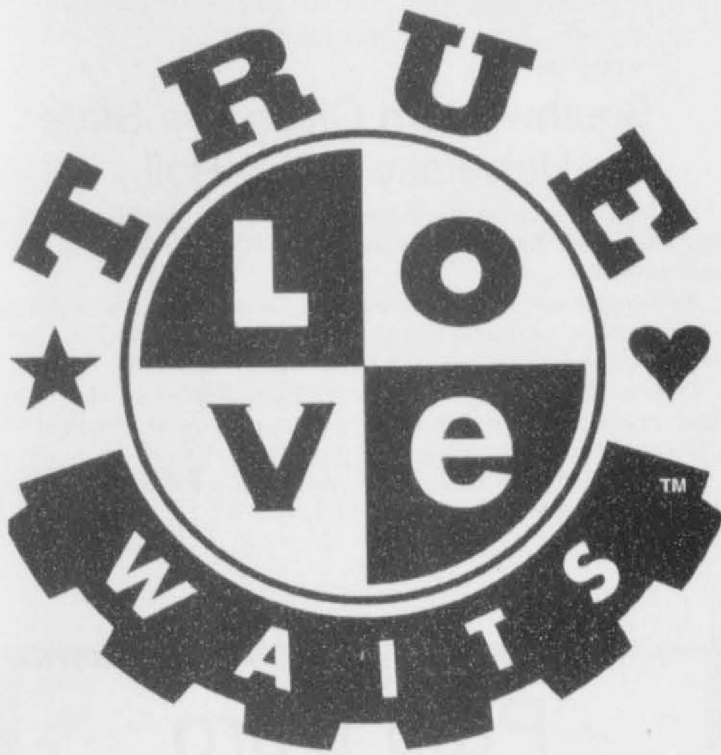
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## Youth Seminar Scheduled

by Brian Foster

The Spearman Alliance for Christian Youth presents: The True Love Waits Disciple Now Weekend August 15th & 14th.

True Love Waits is an abstinence based program which encourages teens to abstain from sex until they enter a biblical marriage relationship.

Scott Crenshaw is one of the most sought after youth communicators in youth ministry today. Scott is a gifted speaker and uses a mixture of humor and heart-felt emotion to challenge students to overcome the obstacles of the world and be all that God created them to be.

Forefront recording artists Satellite Soul will be providing the music for the event. They will also perform a concert on Saturday night after the final session. If you would like more information on Satellite Soul, check out their website at [www.satellite-soul.com](http://www.satellite-soul.com).

An event like this doesn't happen without a lot of hard work and help. Which brings me to the point of this

article. We are looking for ministry partners to make sure this event is a success. There are a number of ways in which you can minister to the youth of our area.

Financially we need to raise a budget of \$8000.00. This will cover most of the cost and help plan for future events.

We are also in need of Host Homes for the dates of the event. The youth will be divided by gender, so if you feel led to host, you will have either all girls or all boys.

When you have this many youth in one home, you also need lots of food. To take the pressure off our hosts, we are also looking for food team volunteers. Our food teams will prepare food items and deliver them to the host homes.

If you would like to join with us to make this True Love Waits Weekend a meaningful time in the lives of our youth, please contact Brian Foster at First Baptist Church 659-5557 for more details.



Scott Crenshaw

### Circle of Friends Membership Drive

The Hansford County Circle of Friends will host a membership party for the Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer Center. A poolside fiesta will be held at the home of Benny and Jackie Wilson, 104 Cliff Ave. (1 1/4 miles west of Gruver on Hwy. 15) on Thursday, August 19, 1999 at 7:00 p.m. A meal will be catered.

The Circle of Friends is a non-profit volunteer organization founded to support the philosophy and goals of The Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer Center. The purpose of the Circle of Friends is to provide cancer patients and their families financial assistance in times of crises, and to support programs in cancer treatment, education and research.

The cost of membership is \$25 per couple, and \$15 per individual. Please call Pat Irwin at 733-2285 for information and reservations. Please RSVP by August 15th.

This event is being sponsored by: Carl and Peggy Archer, Monty and Cindy Blackman, Larry and Robbie Butts, Gene and Frances Cudd, Mike and Michelle Davis, Gene and Francis Duncan, Helen Etter, Jim and LaQuita Evans, Roy and Denise Harbour, Kerry and Jane Henton, Steve and Mollie Holton, Dr. Clint and Jody Irwin, Ken and Janet Irwin, Kyle and Kimberly Irwin, Mark and Pat Irwin, Jeff and Linda Lackey, Joel Lee and Joyce Lackey, Bill and Kathy Logsdon, George and Shirley Lowe, Ben and Nancy McIntyre, Bob and Jackie Pearson, Bill and Ginger Pittman, Phillip and Lynna Renner, Mike and Patti Schnell, Tony and LaNetta Shapley, Claude and Jo Nell Sheets, Terry and Cherri Sherrill, Jim and Verna Lee Shirley, Bob and Carol Tolleson, Joe T. and Linda Venneman, Williams Catering, and Benny and Jackie Wilson.



Christian Band Satellite Soul

### True Love Waits Schedule of Events

#### Friday, August 13th

- 7:30 p.m. - Meet at High School Auditorium
- 7:45 p.m. - Rally starts
- 8:15 p.m. - Scott Crenshaw speaks
- 9:30 p.m. - Return to Host Homes
- 9:45 p.m. - Small group session 1
- 11:30 p.m. - Lights out

#### Saturday August 14th

- 7:30 a.m. - Wake Up
- 8:15 a.m. - Breakfast
- 9:00 a.m. - Meet at High School Auditorium
- 9:15 a.m. - Rally starts
- 9:45 a.m. - Scott Crenshaw speaks
- 11:00 a.m. - Return to Host Homes
- 11:15 a.m. - Small group session 2
- 12:30 p.m. - Meet at Rocket Slide Park for Lunch and Recreation (Wear something you don't mind getting wet and dirty!)
- 3:30 p.m. - Return to Host Homes for showers.
- 4:30 p.m. - Small group session 3
- 5:30 p.m. - Dinner
- 6:30 p.m. - Meet at High School Auditorium (Take your personal items with you. You will not return to your Host Homes.)
- 6:45 p.m. - Rally starts
- 7:30 p.m. - Scott Crenshaw speaks
- 9:00 p.m. - Special Concert featuring Forefront Recording Artists Satellite Soul
- 10:45 p.m. - Rally Closes

### Rushing Wind Emmaus Community Gathering

Rushing Wind Emmaus Community gathering will be Saturday, August 14 at 6:30 p.m. in the First Christian Church in Perryton. Bring your family and friends for an evening of fellowship, food, and a service of praise and worship. A fellowship meal will be served at 6:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall followed with praise and worship. The First Christian Church located at Ninth and Jefferson in Perryton.

Members of all churches

in the area are invited to participate. The Rushing Wind Emmaus Community consists of members in the north Panhandle of Texas, Oklahoma Panhandle, and Southwest Kansas. Anyone interested in the Walk to Emmaus, may contact a pastor or a person who has attended a walk. A ladies walk is scheduled for October 1st, and a men's walk will be held November 18-21 Both walks will be at the Waka Christian Center in Waka.

### Ag Field Day Set

by Beth Barbee

A field day and tour to highlight the Tierra Blanca Creek Water Quality Demonstration Project will be held on August 17, 1999.

Buses will depart the West Texas A&M University Equine Center. Participants will tour the Timber Creek Veterinary Clinic, WTAMU Dairy, the Tierra Blanca Creek Property Owners Association and private demonstration sites.

The Tierra Blanca Creek Demonstration Project is the joint effort of experts from the Texas A&M Extension Service and Experiment Station, state and federal agencies and local landowners to protect the water quality of the Panhandle. The program goal is to persuade local producers to voluntarily implement Best Management Practices (BMPs) into their daily operations by establishing the programs' posi-

tive effects and benefits through demonstration sites. BMPs include efficient irrigation, reduced tillage, integrated pest management, manure management, rotational grazing, vegetative filter strips and water quality management plans. The majority of the demonstrations are sited in Parmer, Castor, Deaf Smith, and Randall counties.

Registration and bus loading begins at 8:30 a.m. The tour departs at 9:00 a.m. Buses will return to the departure site at 5:30 p.m. Lunch will be provided.

This event is being sponsored by the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station, the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, and the Panhandle Association of the Soil and Water Conservation Districts. For more information, contact Lanny McDonald at (806) 354-5847.

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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 Smith.*

## August 12

Birthdays - Hix Spivey, Norma Swink, Verna Gail Keim, Angela Gaitner, Judy Nelson, Randy Hargis, Julian Rodriguez Sr., Wade Nobles, Devonna Boyd, Janice Bannister

Anniversary - Mr. & Mrs. Rudy Saldavar, Mr. & Mrs. Albert Tucker

## August 13

Birthdays - Brendy Brown Kirkland, Mike Coomer, Denise Karlin, Charles Phillips, Blake Trantham, Wanda Jones, Max Baggerly, Anne Foster, Adrian Robertson, Lorrie Bowen, Oliver Barnes, Joe Dean Clement, Ethel Ellsworth, Jim Miller, Crystal Boyd

Anniversary - Mr. & Mrs. Gary Flowers, Mr. & Mrs. Gerald TeBeest

## August 14

Birthdays - Nona Schell, Leslie Latta, Jimmy Nicholson, Mike Pack

Anniversary - Mr. & Mrs. Monty Lusby Mr. & Mrs. Charles Lilley

## August 15

Birthdays - Kelly Armes, Rita Cluck, Mary Jane Henson, Ryan Winger, Buddy Gaitner, Cole Umphress, Sara Butt, Ruby Burger, Vanessa Ortega, Dub Womble, John Booth

Anniversary - Mr. & Mrs. Billy Baker, Mr. & Mrs. David Hall, Mr. & Mrs. Buddy Murrell, Mr. & Mrs. Billy Logsdon Jr., Mr. & Mrs. James Nicholson

## August 16

Birthdays - Corky Chapman, Ed Fry, Ronny Womble, Wayne Burchard, Ben Dunaway, Sondra Younger, Felix Sandaval, Chuck Eaton, Tyce Hergert, Teresa Cook, Sharon Ross, Jason Villines, Lillie Love, Kathy Love, Nicholas Vinson, Ruben Gomez, Donetta Greene, Carlos Hernandez

Anniversary - Mr. & Mrs. Bill Sparks

## August 17

Birthdays - Christy Brown, Guy Paul Hindergart, Allison Reid, Dean Sparks, Dodie Beedy, Delinda McLaughlin, Halee Rice, Bo Bersinger, Kimberly Boyd

Anniversary - Betty & Dub Womble, Mr. & Mrs. Danny Jackson, Mr. & Mrs. Don Allen, Mr. & Mrs. Wayne Ware, Kitty & Frank Edwards

## August 18

Birthdays - Brenda Dahl, Carla Gurfory, Heather Murrell, Jack Weldon, Tina Wilmeth, Jerry Beth Prachar, Tammy Welch, Kenneth

Burke, Bob Cook, Robbin Keetch, Pat Miller, Jeanie Bennett, Glen Ward, Andrew Correll, Janet Mayo

Anniversary - Mr. & Mrs. Ed Seal, Mr. & Mrs. David Link, Mr. & Mrs. Dennis Baker, Mr. & Mrs. Charles Deakin

## August 19

Birthdays - Diana Bradshaw, Buddy Murrell, Kenton Odom, Linda Tidwell, Carey Bridges, Perry Dixon, Mary Lou Mathews, Chris Trout, Lisa Collins, Teddy Lynn Whitefield, Melissa Harvey, Joshua Miller, Jordan Fisher

Anniversary - Mr. & Mrs. Kelly Smith, Mr. & Mrs. Dean McClenagan, Mr. & Mrs. Larry Hicks, Mr. & Mrs. Jim Bartimus

## August 20

Birthdays - David Bergin, Henry Grotegut, Joyce Messer, Joyce Lackey, Irene Snider, Tony Hart, Shelley Edenborough, Joe Olivarez, Derek Irlbeck, Kathy Lewis, Jodi Hight

Anniversary - Mr. & Mrs. Tommy Russell, Mr. & Mrs. Jack McWhirter, Mr. & Mrs. Don Heddins, Mr. & Mrs. Mike Grotegut, Mr. & Mrs. Les Barkley, Mr. & Mrs. Larry Babbs

## August 21

Birthdays - Ollie Jarvis, Lou Garrett, Lauren Hoel, Reg Robertson, Michael Lane Whitefield, Linda Lawson, Carolyn Mauldin, Brandon Babbitzke, Joshua Bynum, Rick Harvey, Coy H. Kelly Jr, Shane Hill

Anniversary - Mr. & Mrs. Dwayne Marrs

## August 22

Birthdays - Amber Roberts, Autumn Roberts, Tony Hester, Michelle Davis, Tuesday Reed, Jonell Sheets, Roger Brown, Marge Papay, John Michael Sterling, Phil Garza, Beulah Abston, Kathrine Tope, Janie Perez, Garrett Griffin, Brian Robinson, Brett Winegarner

Anniversary - Mr. & Mrs. Silva, Kenneth & Lisa Brown, Mr. & Mrs. Carl Archer, Mr. & Mrs. Pat Jackson

## August 23

Birthdays - Ann Dorman, Reagan Baker, Eddie Reed, Donnie Mitchell, Sara Blackburn, Ralph Blodgett, Bill Jack Pittman, Kathy Lewis, Elvogene Dixon

Anniversary - Mr. & Mrs. Rue Sanders, Mr. & Mrs. Billy DeArmond, Mr. & Mrs. Chris Johnson, Mr. & Mrs. L.A. Williams, Mr. & Mrs. Jimmie Vernon

## With Deepest Sympathy

### Mary Rae Lamb

Mary Rae Lamb, 73, died on Saturday, August 7, 1999 at Baptist St. Anthony's Hospice in Amarillo.

Funeral services were held Monday, August 9, 1999 at 11:00 a.m. in the United Methodist Church in Gruver with the Rev. Jerry Moore and Andy Burleson officiating. Burial was in Hansford Cemetery, under the direction of Boxwell Brothers Funeral Home of Spearman.

Ms. Lamb had lived in Hansford County since 1925. She was a homemaker and a member of the United Methodist Church.

Survivors include two daughters, Janis Maupin of Turkey Track Ranch and Tanya Adkins of Happy; one son, Mart Hart of Beulah, Wyoming; one stepson, Perry Lamb of Gruver; nine grandchildren; eight great-grandchildren; and three great-great-grandchildren.

## Hansford Hospice Highlights

### What is Grief?

Grief is related to desire. Whether the desire is large or small, if it is not met, you will probably have grief. An example of a small desire might be the experience of your computer crashing. Most of us have a desire that our systems remain stable and when that desire is thwarted we have a bit of loss and grief.

This example is not meant to trivialize grief, rather it is meant to help bring the understanding that grief is a part of everyday life. Experts are calling these small losses "micro grief." Our understanding of our micro-grief can help us in dealing with the chaos and overwhelming nature of the grief that follows a death.

You can think of all of the thwarted desires that arise when someone we love dies. We want that person to be with us still; we desire their presence, companionship, or blessing; we long for the connection we once had; or possibly desire to say one last thing. We are assaulted and many times overwhelmed by waves of desires that will never be met.

The grief from a death has an underlying similarity to our computer crash example: desire. The difference is in the intensity of the desire. When looked at in this way we can see that grief is a part of life.

For more information contact your local Hospice organization at 659-2535.

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## Frank Phillips College Community Choir Seeks New Members

If you have previous choral experience, the Frank Phillips College Community Choir invites you to join. All Rehearsals are held on Monday evenings from 6:30 - 9:30 p.m., at the Frank Phillips College Fine Arts Building, Room FA-28, beginning on Monday, August 23, 1999.

Auditions for new members, to determine specific voicing, are held on Saturday, August 14, 1999, from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m., in the Fine Arts Building on campus, or may be arranged. To schedule a time or a special appointment, please contact Dr. Judy Strecker, Music Department Chair and Choir Director at (806) 274-5311 or 1-800-687-2056, ext. 728.

The FPC Community Choir will present "The Messiah" by G.F. Handel for its next concert.

## Southwestern Oklahoma State University Honor Roll

Southwestern Oklahoma State University at Weatherford has announced both the President's and Dean's Honor Rolls for the 1999 summer semester.

An undergraduate student who earns all A's in 8 or more hours during a summer semester qualifies for the President's Honor Roll. There were 48 students who were named to the President's Honor Roll.

There were 103 students on the Dean's Honor Roll after completing 8 semester hours of undergraduate work with a grade point average of 3.0 ("B") or higher, with no grade lower than a 2.0 ("C").

Amy Schoenhals of Spearman was named to the President's Honor Roll for the summer semester.

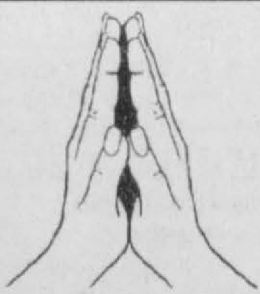
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## Think You Received The "Raw End of the Deal?"

[Job's entire estate and family was destroyed in one day, and he was also struck with a terrible case of boils.] "Why didn't I die at birth? Why did the midwife let me live? Why did she nurse me at her breasts? For if only I had died at birth, then I would be quiet now, asleep and at rest, along with prime ministers and kings with all their pomp, and wealthy princes whose castles are full of rich treasures. Oh, to have been still-born! - to have never breathed or seen the light . . ."

"Oh, why should light and life be given to those in misery and bitterness, who long for death, and it won't come; who search for death as others search for food or money? What blessed relief when at last they die! Why is a man allowed to be born if God is only going to give Him a hopeless life of uselessness and frustration?"

"My complaint today is still a bitter one, and my punishment far more severe than my fault deserves. Oh, that I knew where to find God- that I could go to His throne and talk with Him there. I would tell Him all about my side of this argument, and listen to His reply, and understand what He wants. Would He merely overpower me with His greatness? No, He would listen with sympathy. Fair and honest men could reason with Him, and be acquitted by my Judge. But I search in vain. I seek Him here, I seek Him there, and cannot find Him."

Then the Lord answered Job from the whirlwind: "Why are you using your ignorance to deny My providence? Now get ready to fight, for I am going to demand some answers from you, and you must reply."

"Where were you when I laid the foundations of the earth? Tell me, if you know so much. Do you know how its dimensions were determined, and who did the surveying? What supports its foundations, and who laid its cornerstone, as the morning stars sang together and all the angels shouted for joy? . . ."

The Lord went on: "Do you still want to argue with the Almighty? Or will you yield? Do you - God's critic - have the answers?"

Then Job replied to God: "I am nothing - how could I ever find the answers? I lay my hand upon my mouth in silence. I have said too much already."

Taken from Job 3, 23, 38, 40, The Living Bible.

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Wed. Prayer Mtg.: 7 p.m.  
Wed. Children's Choir: 7 p.m.  
Pastor - Edward Owens

First Assembly of God  
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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.  
Pastor - Edward Owens

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 - Rick Patrick  
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.  
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Minister - Leonard Harper

Sacred Heart Catholic Church  
901 Roland • 659-2792  
Sat. Night Mass: 7 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

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  
Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.  
Worship: 11 a.m.  
Evening: 6 p.m.  
Wed. Prayer Meeting: 7 p.m.  
Thurs. Visitation: 7 p.m.

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 - Johnny Taylor

First Presbyterian Church  
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1021 Cotter • 659-2033  
Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. at  
Lutheran Church  
Worship: 11 a.m. (alternates  
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Pastor - Beverly Cook

Faith Lutheran Church  
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1101 Bernice • 659-2252  
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402 E. Broadway • 733-2411  
Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.  
Worship: 10:20 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 Gurfory

Oslo Lutheran Church  
(ECLA)  
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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.

Morse Baptist Church  
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# LAUGH AND LIVE



by Gary C. Smith  
gcs@ren.net

My friend, J.C. Harris, from Gruver, says that he is getting older this week

According to J.C., he is celebrating a his 88th birthday today. I really can't say if that is true or not, because I have known J.C. to exaggerate on occasion.

Heck, for all I know, he could be 34 and just be lying about his age.

I heard somewhere that he was the first graduate of the Gruver schools. Of course, he could be lying about that too.

Personally, I think that it is terrible for someone to claim to be older than they are so that they can get social security benefits and discounts on Dilly Bars at the Dairy Queen.

My motto-- "ACT YOUR AGE."

Come on, J.C. Why should we have to subsidize your cravings for Hunger Busters just because you claim to be a "Senior Citizen?"

Anyway, whether you lie about your age are not, I still love you and hope you have 88 more.

**Happy Birthday, buddy.**

Until Next Time,  
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## Gladiola Flower Club

The Gladiola Flower Club met on Thursday, August 5, 1999 in the home of Rose Cummings. Rose gave a most interesting program on trees of this area, including Texas and Oklahoma. She had leaves to show from all the trees she discussed. During her program she stated that there is a famous cottonwood tree located east of Lake Marvin. It is pictured in the book "Famous Trees of Texas."

Members present were: Gwen Smith, Dorothy Buzzard, Estelle Jackson, Lorene Kunselman, Wanda Brown, Kathleen Sutton, Virginia Head, Margaret Evans, Verna Brown, Betty Davis, Ann Flowers, and Rose Cummings.

The next meeting will be held on Thursday, August 19th at 6:30 p.m. at the First Christian Church.

## Watlington Receives Scholarship

Matt Watlington, a 1999 graduate of Gruver High School, recently received a Texas Tennis Foundation scholarship in the amount of \$1000.

Matt went to state in Tennis in doubles his sophomore year with Josh Mayhew, and again in singles his senior year.

Matt is the son of Sandra Blankenship of Gruver and Larry Don Watlington of Colorado City, TX. He has one brother, Beau, who is three-years-old.

Matt will attend West Texas A&M University in Canyon this fall. He plans to major in Computer Information Systems.



Matt Watlington

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## HANSFORD HAPPENINGS

### Spearman Junior High Registration/Schedule Pickup

Spearman Junior High registration/schedule pickup will be held on Tuesday, August 10, 1999. Students entering the 6th grade may register between 8:30 and 9:30 a.m., those entering 7th grade from 9:30-10:30 a.m., and those entering 8th grade from 10:30-11:30 a.m. Schedules will not be changed at registration.

### Panhandle Crisis Center

The Panhandle Crisis Center offers services free of charge to men or women who are victims of domestic violence, whether physical or verbal. The Panhandle Crisis Center offers counseling, support, and information to these victims, plus a shelter to those who feel themselves to be in danger at home. Help is available 24 hours a day, at 435-5008. For more information, call from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. For those who must call long distance, the toll-free number is 1-800-753-5308.

### Yards of the Week

The Spearman Chamber of Commerce has announced the Yards of the Week for August 8th-14th. They are: Ray Robertson, 515 S. Archer; Stewarts, 15 S. Hazelwood; Bob Meeks, 622 S. Haney; and Billy Jeff Hawkins, 902 S. Townsend.

### Bindweed Mites Available

This year the supply of bindweed mites were very limited. If you are interested in obtaining the mites, a survey form has to be filled out and sent to Dr. Jerry Michels. The forms can be picked up at the Extension Office. The mites will be available in May or June 2000. If you have any questions call Burt Williams at 659-4130 or 733-2109.

### Wheatheart of the Nation Celebration 3-Man Open Sand Volleyball Tourney

The Wheatheart of the Nation Celebration 3-Man Open Sand Volleyball Tourney will be held on Saturday, August 21, 1999 immediately following the parade (approximately 11:00 a.m.) at Leatheman Park in Perryton, TX. The tourney is double elimination, and the entry fee is \$10.00 per person. To sign up, contact Brian Farney at (806) 435-5733.

### Zulu Trading Post Days

The Spearman Chamber of Commerce is working on a schedule of events for Zulu Trading Post Days, set for Saturday, September 18, 1999. Some of the events being planned are: City Wide Flea Market (\$10 charge, deadline for listing is September 10th), Nature Tour at Lake Palo Duro, Rough 'n Rugged Hike, Tour Adobe Walls, Wildflower Extravaganza, Drift Fence Presentation, Garden Tours, Report on THC Findings, Pioneer Lady's Tea Party, Catered Meal at Windmill Site, and Entertainment at Windmill Site. For more information, please contact Gina Gillispie at 659-5555.

### Sacred Heart Child Development Center Registration

Early registration for the Sacred Heart Child Development Center for children 0-11 years of age is now being accepted. Registration will be accepted Monday-Friday, from 6 a.m. to 6 p.m. Sacred Heart Child Development Center serves nutritious morning snacks, lunches and afternoon snacks. Services available at the SHCDC are: Full Day Care, Part Day Care, Drop-In Service, After School Care, and a new Pre-School Program (9:00-11:00 a.m., Monday-Friday). Programs are also available for low-income families. For more information, call 659-3179, or stop by the SHCDC Office at 907 Roland, and ask for Sam.

### OPSU To Offer Education Via Interactive Television

Oklahoma Panhandle State University will provide the opportunity for local residents to continue their education via interactive television. OPSU will bring Southwestern Oklahoma State University's (SWOSU) MBA program to you. On August 10, 1999, Dr. Elizabeth Ferrell, Director of MBA programs at SWOSU will be in Sewell-Loofbouroow room 101 at OPSU. Please come by to visit with her about this opportunity. For more information, please contact Dr. Wayne Manning at (580) 349-2611, ext. 233.

### ACT Announces September Test Date

The ACT Assessment college entrance and placement exam will be administered September 25, 1999. The registration postmark deadline is August 20th. Late registration postmark deadline is September 3rd (an additional fee is required for late registration). The next nation-wide test will be administered October 23, 1999. ACT Assessment scores are accepted by virtually all colleges and universities in the nation, including all the Ivy League colleges. The cost is \$22.00. Students can take the test more than once. They can use test scores to determine any academic weaknesses and re-take the test later if they choose. Students who take the exam more than once can report only their highest composite score to prospective colleges if they choose. There are four sections to the ACT Assessment: English, reading, math and science reason. The ACT Assessment is designed to measure a student's academic achievement and the appropriate course level for college placement. For more information, including registration forms and test locations, contact Glenda Guthrie, Spearman High School Counselor, or Cathy Potts, Gruver High School Counselor, or register online at ACT's website - [www.act.org](http://www.act.org).

### Child Find

The children of Texas come in all sizes, shapes, colors, and levels of ability. They do not learn the same way, but they ALL learn. If you know of an infant, child or young adult who does not learn easily or has an impairment that might affect his or her learning ability . . . Please take the time to make a difference. Child Find Services is for students with special needs (infants through age 21).

Call your local school district for more information, or the Northwest Texas Shared Service Arrangement, P.O. Box 240, 400 E. 7th, Sunray, Texas 79086, (806) 948-1188. Serving students in the following areas: Channing, Gruver, Hartley, Sunray, Texhoma, and Texline.

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# Among The Neighbors

by Helen Fisher

Abbe Steger greeted old friends when she was here last week when she was in the Schoenhals wedding. She spent the week with her grandparents, Virginia and John Trindle, and also visited other relatives. Abbe is a student at Midwestern University in Wichita Falls.

Other recent guests of the Trindles were Dr. Doug and Kim Steger of Graham. They were enroute home after vacationing in Colorado.

Virginia and John had just returned from attending a family reunion in Woodward. The reunion was of the Hockins family, Virginia's mother.

Sid McAdams, is recovering at home now after undergoing emergency surgery for spleen removal at Baptist St. Anthony's hospital.

Their daughter, Lori Franklin, of Moore, Oklahoma has been here with them.

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A surprise to many was last week's announcement from Dr. Earl Novak and wife/assistant, Bobbie, that they are retiring from his dentistry practice. Their plans are for a schedule that does not include a clock or a calendar, and definitely no more of that drilling, filling, and billing.

Thanks, Earl and Bobbie, for your 38 years "looking down in the mouth." You've been appreciated.

Your patients never did believe that rumor that the reason you chose your profession was because a dentist is the only man on earth that can tell a woman to shut her mouth and get away with it!

All the neighbors wish for your retirement Good Luck, Rest and Enjoyment.

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To observe the 50th wedding anniversary of Wesley and Beth Daniels, all their family gathered for four days last week. The Daniels are former residents of Spearman when he was pastor of the First United Methodist Church.

The actual date of the anniversary is later in the fall, but the family wanted to celebrate with a camping trip where they often

went as children through the years. It was near the little town of Antonio on the Conjos River in Colorado. The Daniels had been there most of the summer.

The time passed all too quickly in hiking, fishing, and many interesting jeep trips through the mountains.

Lyn and Joey Woolley were delighted when they found the tree with their initials and heart carved on it. It was carved 26 years ago, shortly before they were married, when the family was on a camping trip.

On the way home they were surprised-and pleased when they stopped at a service station and met Dr. Doug Steger and wife who had also stopped. He was formerly of Spearman.

Attending the delightful family gathering were: Wesley and Beth Daniels, Breckenridge; Lyn and Joey Woolley and Bekee and Reagan Baker and families, Spearman; Thel and James Lemons and family of near St. Louis; 'Debi and Craig Bryant, Dallas; Kim and Haldon Messamore, Sudan; and Buzz (Dana) Daniels, Lubbock.

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Judy and Ray Martin enjoyed several days at Red River last week with their children and grandchildren.

The cool pleasant days were spent in family activities - trail biking, fishing, some hiking, comradeship.

Family members included Rajan and Steve Trafton and two children, Amarillo; Mary Anne and Roger Morris and two boys, Vega; and Scott Martin and three children, Spearman.

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The report on the condition of Jodie Hight, according to family members, is that she is somewhat improved. She was taken by ambulance to Baptist St. Anthony's earlier in the week with congestive heart failure and is in CCU. She is responding to treatment and maybe moved soon. Her husband Keith is with her.

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Sympathy is extended to the family of Mary Rae Cluck Lamb, 73, on her passing on Saturday.

Her obituary is elsewhere in this issue.

Mary Rae was the last of the 12 children of early day Hansford County settlers, Homer and Pearl Cluck. There are many descendants in this area.

A touching symbol at each family member's funeral was a floral wagon wheel with a spoke for each member. With the passing of each family member, there was one less spoke until only one remained. Now, it, too is gone.

The Monday morning report on Roscoe Nelson, who is in Baptist St. Anthony's, is that he is in serious condition. He was taken by ambulance Wednesday morning from the Dalhart hospital after a heart attack Tuesday evening. He and Mrs. Nelson, with their daughter, Rhonda, and Jeff Burris, were visiting in the home of another daughter, Donna and Jack Vanderburg, in Dalhart when he was stricken.

The Burris are from Ft. Gibson, Oklahoma and were also visiting in Spearman with the Charles Eatons. Another guest of the Eatons is their grandson, Bryan Fuller, of Dumas.

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The weather report from Dwayne Smith's records show that for the week of August 2 to the 9th that the highest temperature was on 8-7 at 98 degrees on August 3rd. Total moisture for the week was 1.70 inches.

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George Young has improved enough to be in rehabilitation and could possibly be dismissed next week.

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Apparently a humorous touch in a political situation recently has created much more coverage than originally intended.

Seems Ms. Clinton, in her possible race as a Senator from New York state, caused her possible

opponent, New York Mayor, Rudy Guiliani, to go to Arkansas to reciprocate. In Little Rock, the Capitol Hotel flew the New York flag in his honor. The Mayor then courteously ordered the Arkansas state flag flown outside New York City Hall.

Among other stars, the Arkansas flag includes a star for the four sovereignties that have governed Arkansas - Colonial Spain, France, U.S. and Confederacy.

The Speaker for the New York City Council put in a call to the Mayor, still in Arkansas, and demanded that the flag flying over City Hall be lowered at once - this instant, now! They took offense at one of the stars - the Confederacy. The mayor suggested that the speaker send his objection to Mr. Clinton. So the "Great Arkansas Flag Flap" was unfurled.

The purpose of mentioning this here is because most of the editorial writers wrote of the rewriting of history by the liberals to reflect that the sole reason for the civil war was slavery.

This writer was unable to contact a history teacher here as to whether that is being taught as is being claimed. One local high school boy said that he was taught it was the only reason. He was unfamiliar with the right of secession, states rights, dislike of a federal control, etc. Southerners resented being called rebels - preferring to be called secessionists. Most of the 13 original states felt that each state had a right to secede - even the northern states had threatened, at various times, to secede.

Why can't history be taught, rather than propaganda? If a teacher cares to comment, they are welcome. The number is 659 3468.

## Boys Ranch Rodeo

Bucking broncos, mutton busters, barrel racing and bull riding are just some of the events scheduled for the 55th annual Cal Farley's Boys Ranch Rodeo, Labor Day weekend.

On Saturday and Sunday, September 4 and 5, children from Boys Ranch, Girlstown, U.S.A. and Cal Farley's Family Program will compete in the event, which attracts nearly 10,000 visitors each year from all over the United States. The nationally known rodeo will be held at Cal Farley's Boys Ranch, located 36 miles northwest of Amarillo.

Lauren Mannino and Tiffany Smith, two of the girls at Girlstown, are both competing in their first rodeo and have high expectations for the barrel racing and pole bending events.

"I really want to win a saddle," Mannino said. "But I want to at least win a (belt) buckle." Smith said she also hopes to win a belt buckle in one of her events. To prepare, she practices at least four times a week with her horse Honeyboy. "I've been involved with horses for a long time," Smith said. "I've really started riding them more the last couple of years."

Times for this year's rodeo are at 5 p.m., Saturday, Sept. 4, and at 2:30 p.m., Sunday, Sept. 5. Approximately 100 children plan to participate in events ranging from stick horse barrel racing to

bareback bronc riding. Youth not participating in the rodeo help at the Rodeo by selling lunches and snacks. Some also act as tour guides for the guests.

Barbecue lunches will also be available at the Rodeo grounds. Lunch plates are available for \$4 from 2:30 - 4:30 p.m. on Saturday and noon- 2 p.m. on Sunday. During the barbecue, country music artist and former Boys Rancher, Britt Hammond and his band will entertain visitors.

Reserved seats are \$4 for adults and \$2 for children ages 6-12. General admission tickets are \$3 for adults and \$1 for children. Reserved box seats are \$6 each. Additional ticket information and reservations are available by calling (806) 372-2341, ext. 647 or by writing P.O. Box 1890, Amarillo, Texas 79174.

Sponsors for this year's Rodeo include Amarillo National Bank and The Big Texan Steak Ranch.

Today, almost 300 boys and girls live at the three communities of Boys Ranch, Cal Farley's Family Program in Borger, Texas, and Girlstown, U.S.A., near Whiteface, Texas. Children from pre-school through high school participate in a variety of academic, vocational, spiritual and extracurricular activities. They enjoy opportunities to develop social values and ethical principles while developing into responsible, independent and resilient adults.



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**Hansford County Community Calendar**  
August 12-22

**Thursday, August 12**  
9:15 a.m.-12:00 & 1:00-3:45 p.m. - Department of Public Safety representatives at Spearman City Hall  
10:00 a.m. - Golden Spread Senior Citizens - Arts & Crafts/Covered Dish Lunch  
12:00 p.m. - Spearman Chamber of Commerce Board Meets  
7:00 p.m. - Spearman Volunteer Fire Department Meets

**Friday, August 13**  
9:30 a.m. - Golden Spread Senior Citizens - Exercise

**Saturday, August 14**  
7:00 p.m. - Rushing Wind Emmaus Community Gathering

**Sunday, August 15**  
3:00 p.m. - Hansford Manor Church Service

**Monday, August 16**  
9:30 a.m. - Golden Spread Senior Citizens - Exercise  
10:00 a.m. - Hansford County Commissioner's Court Meets  
12:00 p.m. - Spearman Rotary Club Meets - Ivey's Hungry Cowboy  
12:00 p.m. - Golden Spread Senior Citizens - Covered Dish Lunch  
1:00-4:00 p.m. - Golden Spread Senior Citizens - Progressive Pitch  
2:00 p.m. - Games and Crafts at Hansford Manor  
7:00 p.m. - First Christian Church Men's Discipleship


**Tuesday, August 17**  
12:00 p.m. - Spearman Lions Club Meets - Ivey's Hungry Cowboy  
2:00 p.m. - Palo Duro River Authority Board Meets  
6:00 p.m. - Tuesday Night Golf Scrambles - Hansford Golf Club  
6:30 p.m. - Golden Spread Senior Citizens - Covered Dish Dinner  
6:30 p.m. - Bingo at Hansford Manor

**Wednesday, August 18**  
6:30 a.m. - Mug 'n' Muffin Women's Fellowship - First Christian Church, Spearman  
9:30 a.m. - Golden Spread Senior Citizens - Exercise  
9:45 a.m. - Trinity Fellowship Bethesda Outreach Center Food Service  
10:00 a.m. - Bible Study at Hansford Manor  
12:00 p.m. - Women's Division of the Spearman Chamber of Commerce Meets  
1:00-4:00 p.m. - Golden Spread Senior Citizens - "42"  
2:00 p.m. - Games and Crafts at Hansford Manor

**Thursday, August 19**  
9:15 a.m.-12:00 & 1:00-3:45 p.m. - Department of Public Safety representatives at Spearman City Hall  
10:00 a.m. - Golden Spread Senior Citizens - Arts & Crafts/Covered Dish Lunch  
7:00 p.m. - Spearman Volunteer Fire Department Meets  
8:00 p.m. - Gruver Community/Parent Task Force Meeting - Elementary Cafeteria


**Friday, August 20**  
9:30 a.m. - Golden Spread Senior Citizens - Exercise  
10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. - Kid's Day Out at First Christian Church

**Sunday, August 22**  
3:00 p.m. - Hansford Manor Church Service



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Although we hold precious memories in our hearts,  
We were not ready for you to part;  
But you will always be alive in our hearts.  
We love you and miss you and always will.  
But someday we will all meet in heaven  
Because that is God's will.*

Love you,  
Dad and Mom  
and the rest of the Family

# The Gruver Grapevine

by Harletta Carthel  
School to Begin

Gruver schools will begin on Monday, August 16, with a new superintendent, two new principals, and new two teachers. Teacher in-service days began on Tuesday, August 10.

On Tuesday, teachers were briefed on policy changes and discipline management programs. Wednesday's schedule included detailing points of emphasis in the student handbook and hearing teacher concerns. The afternoon was spent with teachers meeting together in their teaching fields to discuss curriculum. On Thursday, after separate meetings of teachers on the three campuses, classroom preparation time is scheduled for the afternoon.

Friday's in-service will begin with a junior high and high school teachers meeting and a coaches meeting followed by an afternoon for school preparation and general work preparation.

Students need to remember these important dates.

In the elementary, Friday, August 13, will be "Meet Your Teacher Day" from 10:30 a.m. - 11:45 a.m. followed by a hot dog cook-out for students and their parents from 12 - 1 p.m. Parents may also bring their children's bulky school supplies to the classroom at that time also.

High school students should pick up their class schedules on

Friday, August 13. Freshmen and sophomore schedules will be given between 9 and 11 a.m. while schedules for juniors and seniors will be given from 1-3 p.m.

New student registration will be August 12 and 13 for elementary students in the elementary office while new junior high students may register Wednesday, August 11, from 9 a.m. until 12 noon in the junior high library. High school students may register on Friday, August 13, from 8 a.m. until 12 noon in the high school office.

School counselor, Cathy Potts, also reminds seniors that registration for the ACT test which will be available in Gruver on September 26 must be postmarked by August 20. Spearman High School will be a test site for the ACT test scheduled for Saturday, October 23.

### Two Injured in Separate Accidents

Sixteen-year-old Chad Clift sustained minor injuries in a one-vehicle rollover accident 15 miles west of Gruver on Highway 15 early Saturday afternoon. Thankfully, young Clift was wearing his seat belt and escaped with only minor injuries in the accident which totaled his pickup.

LaNetta Shapley suffered the loss of her ring finger of her left hand in a boating accident on Saturday afternoon. Shapley, who had been enjoying an outing with

her family, was treated in Ardmore, Oklahoma. Shapley, the junior high secretary, was back at work on Monday morning. The community is indeed grateful that both accidents did not inflict greater injuries.

### Cheerleaders Announced

Serving as cheerleaders for the eighth grade during the 1999-2000 school year are Teal Armes, Brandi Bechthold, Carley Bryson, Courtney Goad, Jenny Hart, and Cassie Myatt.

Seventh grade cheerleaders will be Valerie Burnum, Blythe Finley, Patricia Gaspar, Laina Grotegut, Angelica Huerta, Jessica Montgomery, Brittanie Osbourne, Chelsea Reid, and Mary Watkins.

Darla Myatt will be the junior high cheerleader sponsor.

### Pool to Close

Sunday, August 15, will be the last day for swimmers to take the plunge at the Gruver City Pool. Paula Williams has served as manager of the pool during the season.

### Yards Earn Praise

Several readers have suggested the yards of Fred and Georgia Davidson and Rita and Jerry Williams have caught their eyes. The Davidsons yard is framed by a white gazebo to the north and a decorative white fence to the south. The yard has a continual bloom of seasonal flowers, and many flowers in shades of pink are making their debut this week.

The large yard of Jerry and Rita Williams is highlighted by hanging

pots of red flowers in the front and a visible back patio with flowering plants.

The home of Tony and LaNetta Shapley must be seen by night as it is sporting beautiful new lighting beneath an oak tree.

If one of Gruver's beautiful yards captures your eye, leave the home's address at Gruver City Hall or drop a note to The Reporter/Statesman at 213 Main in Spearman.

### City Commissioners to Meet

In their regular monthly meeting, the Gruver City Commission will set a date for a budget hearing during the month of December and will consider natural gas contracts for the city for either a one or two year period.

### Holt Returns from Studies

Roxane Holt returned last week from Spain where she has spent the summer studying Spanish at the University of Grenada. While there, she was also able to tour several neighboring European cities.

### Former Resident in Baseball World Series

Keith Grubbs, 16, son of the former Inell Byrd, played in the Dixie League Pre-Major World Series in Euleus last weekend. Grubbs was a member of the Destrahan, Louisiana team that won second in the tournament.

Keith's aunt and uncle, Lynn and Diane Boyd and cousins Kim and Aaron, were in Euleus for the tournament last week.



by Dorothy Hudson

Lake Depth - August 9, 1999 - 60 ft. and 1.5 inches

The little showers plus a bit of water from the Palo Duro Creek kept the lake level drop to 4.5 inches instead of the usual 6 to 8 inches.

The Union Church of Spearman had the shelter Sunday evening.

The Chuck Sutterfields of Stratford (parents of Brenda Ackers of Gruver) are regulars at the Lake. They were camping on the Office side Monday.

Fishing has been rather slow, but Lynn Cook and his sons Bob and Shawn have been catching some big crappie. They say Shawn can smell them out.

Our neighbors to the north of the dam, Terry and Sherry Buschman and children, found a mallard duck nest in a field that had just been cut. When the hen didn't come back, they took the eggs home and continued incubating them. In two days they had little ducks. After 7 weeks of care, they put 7 ducklings in the Kids' Pond. Jim has not been able to find them, but he said they could be hiding in the cattails. The one remaining duck from the batch he and Mandy

raised last year is still there.

I have been serving as a volunteer on the Hansford County Genealogy Website. I offered to do this with hope that I might find some early day County history from someone wanting help. Two of the queries have been especially interesting.

The first was from Venita Henson of Noesho, MO, who was hunting information on her grandfather, Hayden Thomas West, who died November 22, 1918 in the Tyler house on the Palo Duro. He died in the Spanish influenza epidemic and was buried at the Lieb cemetery. She sent a clipping from the newspaper at Old Hansford that told of his breaking his leg and recuperating in town that summer. While the injured limb was healing, he worked part-time at the Clark barber and tailor shop. He was unable to go to the army when his call came. "Hayden was a fine young man, strong, vigorous and in the prime of life, and his friends will learn with deep regret of his untimely death."

The obituary did not mention that he was a widower with a four-year-old daughter living with his parents in Tobe, CO.

## Sandi Rachelle Rich and Bryan Lynn Rhodes

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# Panhandle Agricultural News

## Ranch-to-Rail Program

by Ted McCollum and Pam Dillard

It's that time of year again. The 1999 Texas A&M Ranch-to-Rail program will be taking cattle deliveries in October. But right now, producers need to begin the process of selecting and preparing their entries.

Ranch-to-Rail gives producers the opportunity to check feedlot performance and carcass traits of steer calves produced from their herds. Cattle are fed at the Hondo Creek Feedyard at Edroy, near Corpus Christi, or Friona Industries' yard near Amarillo, or both.

"Participation involves a three step process," said John McNeill, beef cattle program leader with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service in College Station.

First, producers need to enroll their cattle. To sign up, contact your local county extension agent or McNeill at 409-845-3579. Enrollment forms will be submitted this month.

Next, producers should identify a minimum of five steer calves to enter.

"Only steers will be accepted and there's no age restriction. We recommend weights between 500 and 800 pounds," said McNeill. Individual identification will be maintained on each calf for the length of the program.

The last step may be the most important according to the beef expert. "calves will need to be prepared for the feeding program." Although a preconditioning regimen isn't required, however, it is highly recommended," McNeill said. "Ideally, the calves should be weaned a minimum 45 days before shipping."

"We like to see the animals vaccinated against viral and bacterial pathogens that can lead to illness once the calves leave the ranch," he added. While not required, these preparations will reduce the risk of health problems enroute to the feedyard.

The steers selected also need access to a complete mineral supplement, good quality grass hay or pasture, and a high protein supplement. Guidelines for preparing the calves, such as the Texas A&M VAC-45 and Tex-VAC, can be obtained from your local county extension agent, area livestock/beef specialist, or from McNeill.

"Now's the time to ready your animals," he said. If a 45-day regimen is chosen, then the steers should be weaned between mid-August and September 1. Even if calves are not weaned for that long, the schedule for administering some vaccinations may require producers to begin late August.

Whether now or later, today's beef producers must be knowledgeable about the product they market. Ranch-to-Rail offers the chance to learn more about their cattle and their industry to boot.

For assistance and information, call on your local county extension agent, area livestock/beef cattle specialist, or McNeill at (409) 845-3579.

## Field Day Scheduled

by Pam Dillard

A field day and tour to highlight the summer crops in dryland and irrigated production will be held on Wednesday, September 1, 1999.

The event includes the formal dedication of the newly constructed wheat seed processing and storage building named in honor of Dr. Kenneth B. Porter, emeritus professor of agronomy and long time wheat breeder with the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station.

The tour will showcase the basic and applied research and education efforts of the state and federal agencies that benefit agricultural production and general economy of the Texas Panhandle.

Tour A - Dryland cropping systems and management; animal waste management; and alternative crop rotations on bench terraces.

Tour B - Irrigation systems and management using the PET-Net; furrow diking and LEPA application.

Tour C - Dryland residue management systems; wheat-sorghum-fallow production; and sorghum management.

Tour D - Precision agriculture technology: disease and crop pest management.

Registration and bus loading begins at 8:30 a.m. at the Bushland Experiment Station Facilities, followed by bus tours. The noon program includes lunch and showcases the new Kenneth B. Porter Wheat Seed Processing and Storage Building dedication. Tours will adjourn at 1:30 p.m.

Sponsored by the USDA-Agricultural Research Service Conservation and Production Research Laboratory, Texas Agricultural Experiment Station, Texas Agricultural Extension Service, Texas Veterinary Medical Diagnostic Laboratory, and West Texas A&M University Agriculture Division.

For more information, contact Louis Baumhardt, Ag Day Committee chairman, USDA-ARS at (806) 356-5766 or by email at lbaumhar@ag.gov.

## Educational Conference

by Beth Barbee

An educational conference to highlight the beef cattle industry will be held at the Texas A&M Research and Extension Center at Amarillo, 6500 West Amarillo Blvd. on August 19, 1999. Registration begins at 8:00 a.m.

This conference will provide an opportunity for feedyard managers and employees, cattle feeders, stockers, and consultants to meet university researchers, become familiar with current research projects, tour new research facilities and supply input to the research programs to help researchers identify industry needs.

This year's conference will also include the dedication of West Texas A&M University's Nance Ranch Feedlot and the Texas Agricultural Station/USDA-ARS Research Feedlot and Laboratory at Bushland. The feedlot dedication will be held at 4:00 p.m. on August 18, 1999.

A \$15 fee will be charged for the feedlot dedication and dinner. A \$25 fee will be charged for the conference, or a \$40 per person fee will be charged for both events.

This event will be sponsored by the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station, Texas Agricultural Extension Service, Texas Veterinary Medical Diagnostic Laboratory, USDA-ARS, West Texas A&M University, and the Texas Cattle Feeders Association.

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The household size and income criteria identified below will be used to determine eligibility for free and reduced price benefits. Children from households whose income is at or below the levels shown are eligible for free or reduced meals. Foster children that are the legal responsibility of a welfare agency or court may also be eligible for benefits regardless of the income of the household with whom they reside. Eligibility for a foster child is based on the child's income.

Application forms are being distributed to all households with a letter informing households of the availability of free and reduced price meals for their children. Applications also are available at the Principal's office in each school. To apply for free and reduced-price meals, households must fill out the application and return it to the school. Applications may be submitted anytime during the school year. The information households provide on the application will be used for the purpose of determining eligibility and verification of data. Applications may be verified by the school officials at any time during the school year.

For school officials to determine eligibility for free and reduced price benefits, households receiving food stamps or TANF only have to list their child's name, food stamp or TANF case number and an adult household member must sign the application.

Households who do not list food stamp or TANF case number must list the names of all household members, the amount and source of income received by each household member and the social security number of the adult household member who signs the application. If the adult who signs the applica-

tion does not have a social security number, the household member must indicate that a social security number is not available by writing the word "NONE." The application must be signed by an adult household member.

Under the provision of the free and reduced price meal policy, the Food Service Director or Cashier will review applications and determine eligibility. Parents wishing to make a formal appeal for a hearing on the decision may make a request either orally or in writing to: Rodney Sumner, Superintendent, 403 E. 11th, Spearman, TX 79081, telephone (806) 659-3233.

Households that list food stamps or TANF case number must report when the household no longer received these benefits. Other households approved for benefits based on income information must report increases in household income over \$50 per month or \$600 per year and decreases in household size. Also, if a household member becomes unemployed or if the household size increases, the household should contact the school. Such changes may make the children of the

household eligible for benefits if the household's income falls at or below the levels shown above.

In the operation of child feeding programs administered by the U.S. Department of Agriculture, no child will be discriminated against because of race, color, sex, nation-

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2	14,378	20,451	1,199	1,706	277	394
3	18,044	25,678	1,504	2,140	347	494
4	21,710	30,895	1,810	2,575	418	595
5	25,376	36,112	2,115	3,010	488	695
6	29,042	41,329	2,421	3,445	559	795
7	32,708	46,546	2,726	3,879	629	896
8	36,374	51,763	3,032	4,314	700	996
9	40,040	56,980	3,338	4,749	771	1,097
10	43,706	62,197	3,644	5,184	842	1,198
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### 1999 Property Tax Rates in HANSFORD HOSPITAL DISTRICT

This notice concerns 1999 property tax rates for HANSFORD HOSPITAL DISTRICT. It presents information about three tax rates. Last year's tax rate is the actual rate the taxing unit used to determine property taxes last year. This year's effective tax rate would impose the same total taxes as last year if you compare properties taxed in both years. This year's rollback tax rate is the highest tax rate the taxing unit can set before taxpayers can start tax rollback procedures. In each case these rates are found by dividing the total amount of taxes by the tax base (the total value of taxable property) with adjustments as required by state law. The rates are given per \$100 of property value.

<b>Last year's tax rate:</b>	
Last year's operating taxes	\$1,100,747
Last year's debt taxes	\$0
Last year's total taxes	\$1,100,747
Last year's tax base	\$406,269,654
Last year's total tax rate	0.27094 /\$100
<b>This year's effective tax rate:</b>	
Last year's adjusted taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property)	\$1,099,527
/ This year's adjusted tax base (after subtracting value of new property)	\$337,004,631
= This year's effective tax rate	0.32626 /\$100
<b>This year's rollback tax rate:</b>	
Last year's adjusted operating taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property and adjusting for transferred function)	\$1,099,527
/ This year's adjusted tax base	\$337,004,631
= This year's effective operating rate	0.32626 /\$100
x 1.08 = this year's maximum operating rate	0.35236 /\$100
+ This year's debt rate	0.00000 /\$100
= This year's rollback rate	0.35236 /\$100
+ Additional rate for pollution control	0.32563 /\$100
= Rollback tax rate	0.67799 /\$100

#### Schedule A Unencumbered Fund Balances

The following estimated balances will be left in the unit's property tax accounts at the end of the fiscal year. These balances are not encumbered by a corresponding debt obligation.

Type of Property Tax Fund	Balance
<b>Schedule B 1999 Debt Service</b>	
The unit plans to pay the following amounts for long-term debts that are secured by property taxes. These amounts will be paid from property tax revenues (or additional sales tax revenues, if applicable).	
Total required for 1999 debt service	\$0
- Amount (if any) paid from funds listed in Schedule A	\$0
- Amount (if any) paid from other resources	\$0
- Excess collections last year	\$0
= Total to be paid from taxes in 1999	\$0
+ Amount added in anticipation that the unit will collect only 98.00% of its taxes in 1999	\$0
= Total debt levy	\$0

This notice contains a summary of actual effective and rollback tax rates' calculations. You can inspect a copy of the full calculations at HANSFORD COUNTY TAX OFFICE-COURTHOUSE.

Name of person preparing this notice: HELEN DRY, RTA

Title: TAX ASSESSOR-COLLECTOR

Date prepared: August 5, 1999

### 1999 Property Tax Rates in PALO DURO RIVER AUTHORITY

This notice concerns 1999 property tax rates for PALO DURO RIVER AUTHORITY. It presents information about three tax rates. Last year's tax rate is the actual rate the taxing unit used to determine property taxes last year. This year's effective tax rate would impose the same total taxes as last year if you compare properties taxed in both years. This year's rollback tax rate is the highest tax rate the taxing unit can set before taxpayers can start tax rollback procedures. In each case these rates are found by dividing the total amount of taxes by the tax base (the total value of taxable property) with adjustments as required by state law. The rates are given per \$100 of property value.

<b>Last year's tax rate:</b>	
Last year's operating taxes	\$208,404
Last year's debt taxes	\$2,211,559
Last year's total taxes	\$2,419,963
Last year's tax base	\$1,695,720,692
Last year's total tax rate	0.14271 /\$100
<b>This year's effective tax rate:</b>	
Last year's adjusted taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property)	\$2,416,987
/ This year's adjusted tax base (after subtracting value of new property)	\$1,540,783,188
= This year's effective tax rate	0.15686 /\$100
<b>This year's rollback tax rate:</b>	
Last year's adjusted operating taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property and adjusting for transferred function)	\$208,291
/ This year's adjusted tax base	\$1,540,783,188
= This year's effective operating rate	0.01352 /\$100
x 1.08 = this year's maximum operating rate	0.14600 /\$100
+ This year's debt rate	0.14115 /\$100
= This year's rollback rate	0.15575 /\$100
+ Additional rate for pollution control	0.07088 /\$100
= Rollback tax rate	0.22663 /\$100

#### Schedule A Unencumbered Fund Balances

The following estimated balances will be left in the unit's property tax accounts at the end of the fiscal year. These balances are not encumbered by a corresponding debt obligation.

Type of Property Tax Fund	Balance
MAINTENANCE & OPERATION	\$136,531
INTEREST & SINKING	\$2,035,977

#### Schedule B 1999 Debt Service

The unit plans to pay the following amounts for long-term debts that are secured by property taxes. These amounts will be paid from property tax revenues (or additional sales tax revenues, if applicable).

Description of Debt	Principal or Contract Payment to be Paid from Property Taxes	Interest to be Paid from Property Taxes	Other Amounts to be Paid	Total Payment
GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS	\$1,235,000	\$888,806	\$550	\$2,124,356
Total required for 1999 debt service				\$2,124,356
- Amount (if any) paid from funds listed in Schedule A				\$0
- Amount (if any) paid from other resources				\$0
- Excess collections last year				\$0
= Total to be paid from taxes in 1999				\$2,124,356
+ Amount added in anticipation that the unit will collect only 97.00% of its taxes in 1999				\$65,702
= Total debt levy				\$2,190,058

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### 1999 Property Tax Rates in HANSFORD COUNTY

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<b>Last year's tax rate:</b>	<b>General Fund</b>	<b>Special Road/Bridge Fund</b>
Last year's operating taxes	\$1,333,626	\$313,465
Last year's debt taxes	\$0	\$0
Last year's total taxes	\$1,333,626	\$313,465
Last year's tax base	\$406,271,248	\$403,585,683
Last year's total tax rate	0.32826 /\$100	0.07767 /\$100
<b>This year's effective tax rate:</b>		
Last year's adjusted taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property)	\$1,332,148	\$313,007
/ This year's adjusted tax base (after subtracting value of new property)	\$337,005,573	\$334,265,302
= This year's effective tax rate for each fund	0.39528 /\$100	0.09364 /\$100
Total effective tax rate	0.48892 /\$100	
<b>This year's rollback tax rate:</b>		
Last year's adjusted operating taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property and including taxes for state criminal justice mandate)	\$1,332,148	\$313,007
/ This year's adjusted tax base	\$337,005,573	\$334,265,302
= This year's effective operating rate	0.39528 /\$100	0.09364 /\$100
x 1.08 = this year's maximum operating rate	0.42690 /\$100	0.10113 /\$100
+ This year's debt rate	0.00000 /\$100	0.00000 /\$100
= This year's rollback rate for each fund	0.42690 /\$100	0.10113 /\$100
This year's total rollback rate	0.52803 /\$100	
+ Additional rate for pollution control	0.32563 /\$100	
= Rollback tax rate	0.85366 /\$100	

#### Schedule A: General Fund Unencumbered Fund Balances

The following estimated balances will be left in the unit's property tax accounts at the end of the fiscal year. These balances are not encumbered by a corresponding debt obligation.

Type of Property Tax Fund	Balance
MAINTENANCE & OPERATIONS	\$1,096,700

#### Schedule B: General Fund 1999 Debt Service

The unit plans to pay the following amounts for long-term debts that are secured by property taxes. These amounts will be paid from property tax revenues (or additional sales tax revenues, if applicable).

Total required for 1999 debt service	\$0
- Amount (if any) paid from funds listed in Schedule A	\$0
- Amount (if any) paid from other resources	\$0
- Excess collections last year	\$0
= Total to be paid from taxes in 1999	\$0
+ Amount added in anticipation that the unit will collect only 0.00% of its taxes in 1999	\$0
= Total debt levy	\$0

#### Schedule A: Special Road/Bridge Fund Unencumbered Fund Balances

The following estimated balances will be left in the unit's property tax accounts at the end of the fiscal year. These balances are not encumbered by a corresponding debt obligation.

Type of Property Tax Fund	Balance
<b>Schedule B: Special Road/Bridge Fund 1999 Debt Service</b>	

The unit plans to pay the following amounts for long-term debts that are secured by property taxes. These amounts will be paid from property tax revenues (or additional sales tax revenues, if applicable).

Total required for 1999 debt service	\$0
- Amount (if any) paid from funds listed in Schedule A	\$0
- Amount (if any) paid from other resources	\$0
- Excess collections last year	\$0
= Total to be paid from taxes in 1999	\$0
+ Amount added in anticipation that the unit will collect only 0.00% of its taxes in 1999	\$0
= Total debt levy	\$0

#### Schedule D: State Criminal Justice Mandate

The HANSFORD COUNTY Auditor certifies that HANSFORD COUNTY has spent \$351 in the previous 12 months beginning JULY 31, 1998, for the maintenance and operations cost of keeping inmates sentenced to the Texas Department of Criminal Justice. HANSFORD COUNTY Sheriff has provided information on these costs, minus the state revenues received for reimbursement of such costs.

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REDUCED: 3 bedroom home for sale. Nice neighborhood. Brick, steel siding trim. 1018 S. Dessen. Call 983-5594.

### FOR RENT/LEASE

FOR RENT: 1BR apartment. Call 659-3260.

FOR RENT: One bedroom apartment. Call 659-5519.

FOR RENT: Small 3BR/1B, freshly painted house in Spearman. On car garage w/opener, carport, fenced backyard, ceiling fans throughout. No pets, references required. \$375/month, and \$300 security deposit. Call (806) 733-2324.

FOR RENT: Large Garage Apartment - Furnished or Unfurnished; includes appliances. Real nice - 1BR, 1B w/laundry room - newly remodeled. Call 659-2059.

FOR RENT: Furnished 2BR apartment - \$300/month plus \$100 deposit. 6 month lease - no pets. Located at 107 N. Endicott, call 659-2404. Utilities paid.  
FOR RENT: Houses - 2BR, 1B - \$300/month. Call 659-3155 or 659-3341.

### EMPLOYMENT

HELP WANTED: Need mature and dependable person to care for one child after school. Call 659-5918 after 5:00 p.m.

HELP WANTED: Spearman I.S.D. is in need of a Substitute Custodian. Position to start immediately. Pay is \$6.00 per hour. Contact Ronnie Cogdill at 659-5141. Spearman ISD is an E.O.E.

HELP WANTED: Family Medical Clinic is accepting applications for an immediate opening for receptionist. Must have a high school diploma or equivalent. Must have office experience, typing and computer skills. Must also have good communication, writing and organizational skills. Knowledge of making appointments and filing. Applications may be picked up at the personnel office or contact Tisha Moore at 707 S. Roland, Spearman, TX 79081, (806) 659-2846 or 659-2535. Hansford County Hospital District is an EOE.  
HELP WANTED: Hansford Manor is seeking an LVN part-time PRN who is able to work flexible shifts. If interested, please contact the Personnel Department, Angelica Avila or Kim Blevins, Director of Nursing, at (806) 659-2535.

### SERVICES

CIRCLE E HEATING, AIR CONDITIONING & COMMERCIAL REFRIGERATION: 659-3390 or (806) 733-5151 - Randy Earle (Lic. # TACLA017716C).

R&R HANDYMAN SERVICES: Household Remodeling & Repairs, Garage Door & Opener Repairs, Small Concrete Work, Lawn Work & Rototilling. Contact Kent Ruble at (806) 659-3564.

HOUSE MOVEMENT? Cracks in brick or walls? Doors won't close? Call Childers Brothers Stabilizing & Foundation Leveling. 1-800-299-9563 or (806) 352-9563 - Amarillo, TX.

### MOTORCYCLES

FOR SALE: Suzuki GS 1150 E Motorcycle. 11,083 actual miles - sharp. Call 659-3260.

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FOR SALE: 1993 Grand Prix SE Coupe. Call 659-5041

FOR SALE: 1983 Ford Futura - \$500 OBO. Also Trombone - \$120. Call 659-2308.

FOR SALE: White '94 Ford Ranger Flash Pickup, V6 engine, seats five, 92,000 miles. Great condition. Call 659-9275.

FOR SALE: Accepting bids on '95 Ford Thunderbird, '94 Mercury Cougar, and 1988 Olds 98. See at First National Bank. Call 659-5544.

### FOR SALE

FOR SALE: Gemeinhardt Flute - used three years - \$400. Call after 6:00 p.m. at 659-3551.

FOR SALE: 1 set of Lynx Black Cat Iron Golf Clubs - 3 through PW. Used three seasons, new grips, excellent condition - \$200. Call 659-3846 after 6:00 p.m., or 659-3743.

FOR SALE: Alto Saxophone in excellent condition. Call 659-3656.

FOR SALE: New Steel Building in Crate. 40x20 was \$5,660 now \$2,720. Must Sell! Sam 1-800-292-0111.

FOR SALE: Substantial Oak Bunk Beds - \$1000 firm. 2 drawer lighted desk, 5 drawer chest, 2 shelves, mattresses, bedding included. Call (806) 659-5341 and leave message.

FOR SALE: Time clock with cards and rack - \$50; Accounting programs - Quick books - \$25.00 and Quick Pro - \$30; 2 Networking Programs for Quick books - \$50 each. Call 659-5016 or come by 321 Main Street - Deakin Electric.

### GARAGE SALES

GARAGE SALE: 1004 S. Bernice, Friday & Saturday, August 13th & 14th - Lots of everything.

GARAGE SALE: Friday and Saturday, August 13th & 14th, 203 S. James, 8 a.m.-? Kid's and adult clothing and lots more.

GARAGE SALE: Saturday, August 14th, 8 a.m.-noon, 1120 Walter Wilmeth. Kitchen table and chairs, computer desk, children and adult clothing, lots of misc.

GARAGE SALE: Multi-family garage sale, Saturday, August 14th, 9 a.m.-noon. 26 Golden Circle. No early birds, please! Lots of women's, men's and boy's clothing.

## LEGAL NOTICE

### NOTICE OF PUBLIC BUDGET HEARING PRINGLE-MORSE CISD

The President of the Board of Trustees of the Pringle-Morse Consolidated Independent School District has called a meeting of the Board of Trustees to hold a public hearing on the budget that shall cover all expenditures for the 1999-2000 fiscal year. The meeting shall be held on the 20th of August, 1999 at 8:00 p.m. at the Pringle-Morse School Cafeteria, 100 Fifth Street, Morse, Texas. Any taxpayer of the District may be present and participate in the hearing.

### NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Sealed proposals for a Janitorial Service Contract for City Hall will be received by the City of Spearman, Texas, until 11:00 a.m., September 2, 1999, and then publicly opened and read.

The City reserves the right to reject any or all bids, to waive informalities and to accept the bid deemed to be the most advantageous to the City. All bids received after the above closing hour will be returned unopened.

All bids shall be sealed and marked on the outer envelope "Janitorial Service Contract." Specifications and bidding documents may be secured from P.O. Box 37, Spearman, Texas 79081.

### NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Sealed proposals for a one year contract for bulk fuel will be received by the City of Spearman, Texas, until 11:30 a.m., September 2, 1999, and then publicly opened and read.

The City reserves the right to reject any or all bids, to waive informalities and to accept the bid deemed to be the most advantageous to the City. All bids received after the above closing hour will be returned unopened.

All bids shall be sealed and marked on the outer envelope "Bulk Fuel." Specifications and bidding documents may be secured from P.O. Box 37, Spearman, Texas 79081.

### SISD BUDGET ADOPTION PUBLIC MEETING

The Spearman ISD Board of Trustees will hold a budget meeting on Monday, August 23, 1999 at 6:00 p.m. for the purpose of adopting the 1999-2000 school budget on Monday, August 23, 1999. The meeting will be held at the High School, 403 East Eleventh. **The public/citizens are welcome to attend.**

### SISD TRUSTEES MEETING

The Spearman ISD Board of Trustees will hold a meeting following the Public Meeting for the purpose of adopting the 1999-2000 school budget on Monday, August 23, 1999. The meeting will be held at the High School, 403 East Eleventh. **The public/citizens are welcome to attend.**

### LEGAL NOTICE GROUP LIFE AND HEALTH BID SPECIFICATIONS

Enclosed are bid specifications for Hansford County's Group Life and Health Insurance. Proposals are required to be in the Hansford County Judge's office in Spearman, Texas no

later than 11:00 a.m. Tuesday, August 31, 1999, and to be opened during the Commissioners Court meeting on the same above mentioned date.

Proposals will be accepted based on the following 2 definitions:

(1) **Partially Self Funded Basis** - 12/15 Contract with a \$10,000 specific per individual, any deviation from the specific for an individual will not be accepted. Plan design will be equal to or better than enclosed schedule of benefits summary of current plan.

(2) **Fully Insured** - Plan design will be equal to or better than enclosed schedule of benefits summary of current plan.

**Effective date of coverage - 10/1/99.**

Present Carrier: Ted L. Parker & Associates.

Hansford County reserves the right to waive informalities, to reject any or all bids, and to accept any or all bids, and to accept the bid deemed by the Hansford County Commissioners' Court to be most advantageous to Hansford County.

Jim D. Brown  
Hansford County Judge

### LEGAL NOTICE

Hansford County Commissioner's Court will hold a budget hearing at 10:00 a.m. on August 16, 1999 in the Law Library of the Hansford County Courthouse, Spearman, Texas, on a proposed budget for 2000 (October 1, 1999 through September 30, 2000) in the amount of \$2,836,514. The Proposed Budget is on file with the County Clerk for examination.

Jim D. Brown  
Hansford County Judge

### NOTICE OF SALE

Vicki Wilson, as Independent Executor of the Estate of Richard H. Shedeck, is offering the following property belonging to the estate for sale: Lots 11 and 12, Block 4, J.L. Steele Subdivision of Out Lot 28, lying adjacent to the town of Spearman, Hansford County, Texas, including the barn and garage located thereon. Said property is known as the Richard Shedeck barn and is located at 620 S. Hazelwood, in Spearman, Texas. If you are interested in bidding on the property, you should contact Vicki Wilson at (806) 857-2486, for more information.

### NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice is hereby given that original Letters of Administration for the Estate of Timothy Lawrence Welch, Deceased, were issued on August 2, in Cause No. 2267, pending in the County Court of Hansford County, Texas, to: Timothy Paul Welch.

The residence of the Administrator is 5935 Heathergrin Terrace, Fort Worth, Texas 76179, the post office address is:

c/o: Cecil R. Biggers  
Attorney at Law  
P.O. Box 342  
Spearman, Texas 79081

All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them within the time and in the manner prescribed by law.  
DATED the 2nd day of August, 1999.

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Cecil R. Biggers  
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(806) 659-5531  
Telecopier (806) 659-5531  
By: Cecil R. Biggers  
Attorney for the Estate  
State Bar No.: 02308500

### NOTICE TO ALL PERSONS HAVING CLAIMS AGAINST THE ESTATE OF LESTER S. McLAIN, also known as LESTER SPARKS McLAIN

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of LESTER S. McLAIN, also known as LESTER SPARKS McLAIN, Deceased, were issued on August 10, 1999, in Cause No. 2268, pending in the County Court of Hansford County, Texas, to DON W. McLAIN, Independent Executor.

The addresses of the Independent Executor is as follows:

P.O. Box 338  
Spearman, Texas 79081  
All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them within the time and in the manner prescribed by law.  
DATED the 10th day of August, 1999.

Respectfully submitted,  
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EHRlich, PHILLIPS & GOOD  
A Professional Corporation  
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State Bar No. 08139000  
311 S. Main  
P.O. Box 1066  
Perryton, Texas 79070  
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Facsimile: (806) 435-4377  
ATTORNEYS FOR THE  
ESTATE OF LESTER S.  
McLAIN, also known as  
LESTER SPARKS McLAIN,  
DECEASED.

### NOTICE OF SHERIFF SALE

The State of Texas  
County of Hansford

By virtue of Writ of Execution (Order of Sale) issued out of the Honorable United States Bankruptcy Court, Northern district of Texas, on the 30th of July, 1999 by the Clerk thereof, in the case of

Plaintiff: Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (Actual Party-in-Interest is National Loan Investors, L.P.)

Defendant: Willard McCloy and Beatrice McCloy

Cause Number 298-21403-JCA-11, Adv. No. 2013, and to me, as Sheriff directed and delivered, I will proceed to sell, at 10:00 o'clock a.m. on the 7th day of September, 1999 which is the first Tuesday of said month, at the official door of the courthouse of said Hansford County in the City of Spearman, Texas, the following-described property to wit:

(a) Willard McCloy's undivided community interest in the W/2 of Section 22, Block 3, G.H.&H. Survey, Hansford County, Texas (approx. 320 acres total);

(b) Willard McCloy's undivided community interest in the W/2 of Section 16, Block 3, G.H.&H. Survey, Hansford County, Texas (approx. 320 acres total);

(c) Willard McCloy's undivided community interest in the W/2 of Section 1, Block 46, P.W.&H. Survey, Hansford County, Texas (approx. 320 acres total);

(d) Willard McCloy's undivided community interest in the SE 142 acres of Section 31, Block 5, T.T.&NO Survey, Hansford and Hutchinson Counties (according to the taxing authorities approximately 76.5 acres total are situated in Hansford County);

(e) All of Section 6, Block 3, GH&H Survey, Hansford County, Texas (which constitutes Willard McCloy's separate property) (approx. 640 acres);

(f) All of Section 10, Block 3, GH&H Survey, Hansford County, Texas (which constitutes Willard McCloy's separate property) (approx. 640 acres); and

(g) The West On-half (W/2) and the South 120 acres of the East One-half (E/2) of Section 14, Block 3, GH&H Survey, Hansford and Sherman Counties, Texas (the North 200 acres of the E/2 being Willard McCloy's homestead against which NLI may not foreclose any interest) (all of which constitutes Willard McCloy's separate property) (according to the taxing authorities 327 acres are situated in Hansford County - of which 200 acres are Willard McCloy's homestead).

Levied on this 4th day of August, 1999 as the property of: Willard McCloy to satisfy a judgment amounting to \$2,655,722.12 with interest calculated at the rate of 10% per annum from the date of the judgment until January 27, 1999.

Given under my hand the 4th day of August, 1999.

R.L. McFarlin, Jr., Sheriff  
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We enjoy simple pleasures - school plays, church socials, family dinners, and backyard barbecues. We are passionate about quality schools, clean water, high school sports, and good beef.

We are independent folk, but we share each other's sorrow; we are discerning, but we are generous to worthy causes and those in need; we expect the best, but we are forgiving; we are more alike than we are different.

We dislike stop lights, fast-talkers, veggie burgers, government intervention, and waiting in line.

We are a strong people. We have survived the Dust Bowl, floods, blizzards, tornadoes, inflation, bottomed-out cattle prices, and record low grain markets.

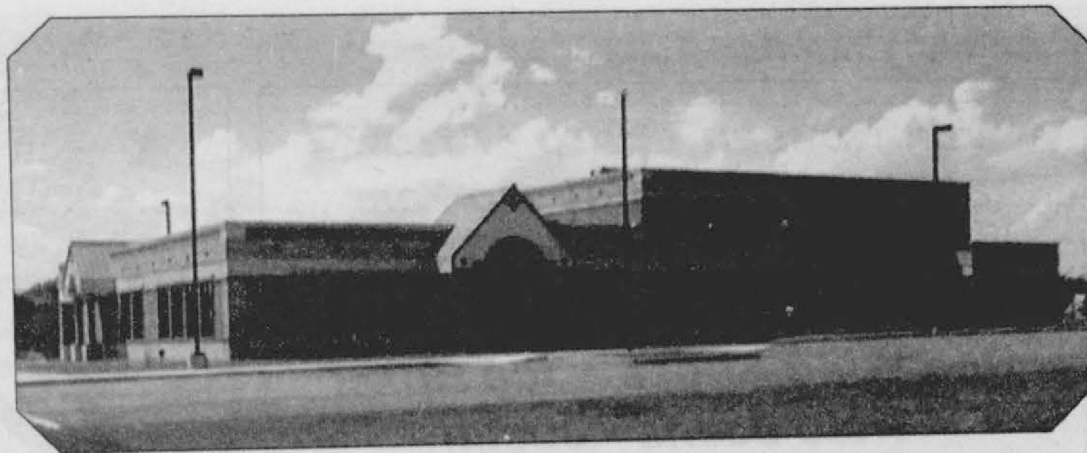
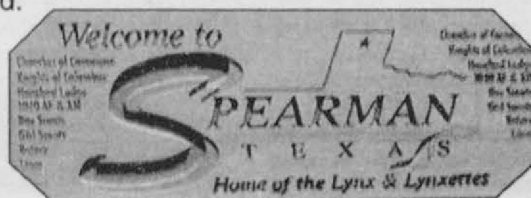
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by Harletta Carthel



# HANSFORD COUNTY

# Hansford County

## County Judge

Jim D. Brown is the Hansford County Judge. Donna Farris is the secretary and also County Court Administrator. The judge's office handles county criminal, civil and juvenile cases.

This office serves as a Probate Court and handles guardianships and mental commitments.

The County Judge presides over the Commissioner's Court and is instrumental in preparing the budget for the county.

The County Judge's office also handles the Spearman Welfare Association fund, the Salvation Army fund and refers citizens to organizations that offer necessary assistance.

## County Auditor

Tammie Purvines is the Hansford County Auditor. The auditor has financial oversight of all county offices and officers. The county accounting policy and practices are prescribed by the county auditor. The auditor examines and approves all claims, bills and accounts against the county while enforcing statutes concerning county finances. Other duties include auditing each office, preparing financial reports and communicating this information to

the District Judge and the Commissioner's Court.

## Hansford County Tax Office

Helen Dry is the Hansford County Tax Assessor-Collector. She has been in this position since December 1, 1973. Helen began working as a deputy for J.B. Cooke, Tax Assessor Collector, Sheriff in June, 1970.

Linda Cummings is Chief Deputy and has been with the office since October 1980. Dorothy Nollner is also a deputy and began working in July 1998.

The county tax office is an agent of the Texas Highway Department, Motor Vehicle Division. All vehicle registration, titles, and transfer of vehicles must be done through the county tax office. The local road and bridge fee for each vehicle is also collected in this office as well as the \$5.00 fee on each farm licensed vehicle which goes to the Young Farmer Loan Guarantee program which is administered by the Texas Department of Agriculture.

This office assesses and collects the taxes for the county, special road (county-wide), Hansford Hospital District, Palo Duro River Authority, and the North Plains Water District. Taxes are assessed according to owner-

ship on January 1 of the tax year and are due and payable October 1 of the same year.

Boat and motor renewals and title transfers may be done in the County Tax Office in lieu of mailing the paperwork to Parks & Wildlife in Austin.

The County Tax Assessor-Collector is also the voter registrar. This is where you get your voter cards. Any changes to your residence, name, mailing address, etc., must be changed in the tax office. Voter lists for all entities are produced in this office as well as lists for candidates vying for an elected office such as school board member, city councilman, county commissioner, etc.

The counter work, reports to various departments, and disbursement of funds keeps Helen and her deputies well occupied. It is a most challenging, but enjoyable, job. Their main goal is to be of service to the ones who pay their salary, the taxpayers.

## County Treasurer

The county treasurer is Wanda R. Wagner. She has been in this position since January 1, 1999. The treasurer is responsible for all money paid into the county treasury and the disbursement of said funds. This person has the

responsibility of accounting for and issuing receipts for all money received by the county which includes money from the Tax Office, County and District Clerk's Office, Justice of the Peace, Sheriff, etc. Claims against the county are presented to the treasurer and must go through Commissioner's Court for approval of payment. Reports are made to the Court at each regular meeting on funds expended and received.

## County Commissioners

The commissioners' court is the governing body of the county. The court is divided into four individual commissioners precincts. One major responsibility for the court is construction and maintenance of roads and bridges in the county that are not part of the state highway system. The court has financial responsibility for the county, sets the tax rate, authorizes expenditures and issues bonds.

Precinct 1 Commissioner is Ira (Butch) Reed. His precinct employees are Oscar Rojas, Robert Shaffer, and Elbert Dorton.

Precinct 2 Commissioner is Joe T. Venneman. His precinct employees are Scott Crawford and Scott Swan.

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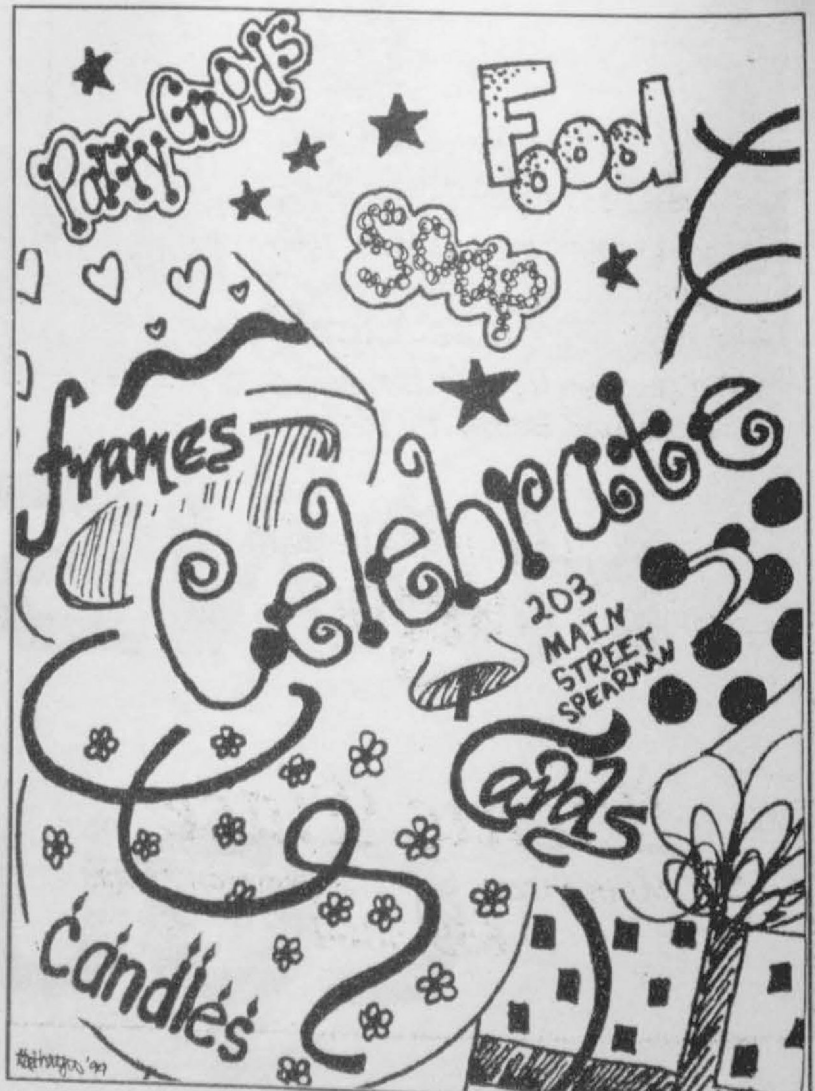
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Precinct 3 Commissioner is Kent Guthrie. His precinct employees are Rex Casdorph, Charlie Casdorph and Wayne Kruse.

Precinct 4 Commissioner is Danny Henson. His precinct employees are Joe Robinson and Steve Bishop.

Several part-time employees also help when needed to maintain the roads.

The Commissioners' Court meets on the 2nd and 4th Mondays at 10:00 a.m. in the Law Library at the Courthouse.

### Justice of the Peace

Hansford County Justice of the Peace is Bob Davis. Bob has been in office since January 1, 1999. Amanda Anderson is the secretary.

The justice of the peace has jurisdiction over minor misdemeanor offenses (Class C), and in civil matters where the amount in controversy does not exceed \$5,000. A variety of civil processes, as well as arrest and search warrants, can be issued by the justice of the peace. The justice of the peace also sits as judge of the small claims courts, in actions for the recovery of money which does not exceed \$5,000.

The justice of the peace may also preside over hearings pertaining to suspension of drivers' licenses and conduct other hearings and inquests. The justice of the peace may conduct marriage ceremonies and serves as ex officio notary public for the precinct. In addition, the justice of the peace has administrative and financial duties concerning the keeping of records and fee and expense reports.

## Texas Agricultural Extension Office

The Extension Service is a statewide educational agency that provides outreach education from the Texas A&M University System to the people of Texas. Burt Williams is the County Extension Agent for Agriculture, Peggy Winegarner is the County Extension Agent for Family & Consumer Science, and Tammy Benton is their secretary.

The Extension Service provides education in the areas of agriculture and natural resources, family and consumer sciences, 4-H and youth development, and community development. It is a statewide educational network that links County Extension Agents with Extension specialists located at Texas A&M and the regional Extension Center in Amarillo. This network provides university expertise and educational materials for county programs.

Volunteers are a vital part of the outreach organization. They help plan and carry out the educational programs.

Programs in Production Agriculture include the latest technology in irrigation efficiency, pesticides, herbicides, fertilizers, crop varieties, and current management practices. Other programs include: Private Applicator License Training, Producer CEU Credits for Commercial & Private Applicator Licenses, Worker Protection Training, Predator Control Programs, Risk Management Education Programs, Farm Assist Budgeting Programs, and Quicken Bookkeeping short courses.

Community 4-H clubs meet monthly in Spearman and Gruver, September through May. Enrollment is open year round to youth

age 9 (or in third grade) through 19. They can participate in a variety of projects and activities including: Beef, Sheep, Swine, Dog Care & Training, Foods & Nutrition, Clothing, Safety, Photography, Livestock Judging, Share-the-Fun and Community Service. Various camps are available throughout the summer.

Family & Community Education clubs meet twice a month providing homemakers the opportunity to develop skills to improve family living. The Extension office can provide meeting times, dates and lists of individuals involved in these clubs.

Lunch & Learn programs are provided at various times during the year on topics of interest in the areas of home and family living, foods, decorating, gardening, etc. Check local media sources for dates and topics. To include your name on their mailing list, call the Extension Office at 659-4130 or 733-2901.

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# Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) and Hansford Soil and Water Conservation District (SWCD)

The Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) and Hansford Soil and Water Conservation District (SWCD) work together to implement a number of USDA conservation programs including the Conservation Reserve Program, the Environmental Quality Incentives Program, the Wildlife Habitat Incentive Program, and the Playa Lakes Joint Venture. They also provide a variety of voluntary conservation-based programs to aid producers and landowners with conservation and environmental issues. Rick Harrell is the Resource Team Leader, Richard Bennett is the Resource Conservationist, Duval Burton is the Soil Conservationist, and Joe Vanderburg is the Soil Conservation Technician for the local NRCS office.

The NRCS and SWCD also provide a number of community based projects for those outside of agriculture. Technical assistance is provided on a regular basis to the cities of Spearman and Gruver, as well as the Hansford County Commissioners' Court. Educational programs are provided to the school district within the county on the importance of agriculture and the wise use of our resources. Educational programs are also provided for the

county's ministers to emphasize the importance of agriculture and conservation to this area. The SWCD Clerk is Avo Gray.

The SWCD Board of Directors meets the second Tuesday of each month at the USDA Service Center located at 909 West 9th Street in Spearman. Meetings begin at 10:00 a.m. and are open to the public. The SWCD Board is comprised of Willard McCloy, Elmo Dahl, Keith Lamb, and Robert Novak. These directors are elected by landowners within the district and represent their respective parts of the county.

The NRCS and the SWCD sponsor a conservation tillage program each winter for area producers and landowners interested in this type of farming method. This program features a number of leading producers from the five-state area. A number of topics are discussed regarding wheat, corn, soybean, and milo production using sound conservation practices.

In 1935, during the depths of the Dust Bowl, this nation made a historic commitment to the stewardship of private land. Our nation's leaders recognized that the long-term welfare of all Americas rested in the hands of farm-

ers and ranchers struggling to keep their land from eroding away. What happens to the land remains crucial to our economic and environmental well-being, even if we never set foot on a farm or ranch. Our connection to the land is there every time we buy a loaf of bread, or turn on the tap for a cool drink of water, or admire a flock of geese heading south in the fall. Many of us have lost our sense of place, but none of us has lost our dependence on place. The NRCS and SWCD help pro-

tect this, our "place."

Hansford was 2nd in the production of wheat in 1998 for all 248 Texas counties, 4th in fat cattle, and in the top ten in corn and soybean production. It is in the top five in agricultural income. There were 100,000-150,000 stocker cattle wintered in Hansford County last year.

For more information, visit the NRCS website at [www.tx.nrcs.usda.gov](http://www.tx.nrcs.usda.gov).

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J.J. has extensive business experience. She has held administrative positions in the past which have equipped her with the knowledge needed to successfully run the business portion of the restaurant.

They have not only formed a partnership in marriage, but now also in business. Together they hope to make IV's a restaurant you will enjoy visiting not only for the great food, but also for the atmosphere.

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Christmas-in-April \* Hansford County, Texas is the 232nd affiliate putting money and materials together with volunteers to do home repairs.

The benefits of Christmas-in-April are felt by homeowners, neighbors, volunteers, and sponsors. The program targets low-income, elderly and disabled homeowners, essentially people who have worked hard, have a home, and are now unable to adequately maintain it. Skilled tradespeople are the heroes of the day, donating their time.

In 1999, Christmas-in-April installed a new sewer line, rewired a house, painted the exterior of two houses, painted one fence, hauled off 15 flatbed

truckloads of debris, installed a metal wheelchair ramp and painted it, did extensive yard cleanups and landscaping, installed two porches and one front step, wallpapered a bathroom, did minor sheet rock repair, installed 30 feet of guttering, and performed over 20 minor repairs.

Their goals for 2000 are: 10 homes (seven in Spearman) at \$1,000 per home; to involve the volunteers of 20 different local organizations; involve 40 local organizations and businesses in support through donation of goods and/or services and/or money; develop a list of individual and organizational spon-

sors; apply for non-local funds; and accumulate and develop a "reserve."

The next meeting for the Christmas-in-April board of directors is November 18, 1999 for the purpose of organizing for the solicitation of home-repair projects for April 2000.

For more information, contact Beverly Cook at 659-2033 or 659-2415.

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## Hansford Hospice

Hansford Hospice is a non-profit organization supported by Hansford County Hospital District. Hospice is also supported by a group of volunteers from the community, and by funds received through donations and memorials. Hansford Hospice provides care for terminally ill patients and their family at their home or place of residence. They also provide bereavement follow-up for 13 months after the death of a loved one.

The Patient Care Coordinator is Charla Hargis, RN; the Volunteer Coordinator is Rosetta Barrera, LVN; and Sylvia Herrera, CNA is also employed by Hansford Hospice.

The Hansford Hospice Officers are: Verna Lee Shirley - President, Doyle & June Jackson - Vice

President, Jolinda Hutchison - Secretary, Betty Jean Davis - Corresponding Secretary/Memorials, Richie & Karen Thompson - Treasurer, Wanda Reed - Historian, and Carolyn Hicks - Program Director. Hansford Hospice meets the 2nd Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m., alternating between Gruver and Spearman.

Yearly activities include a Garage Sale in September, a Memorial Service in November, the Lights of Love in December, a Chili & Stew Luncheon in March, and deliver Meals on Wheels in the month of May.

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# Spearman I.S.D.

The Spearman schools have excelled in all phases; consequently, they have a reputation of quality and excellence. This past year, Spearman was designated by the Texas Education Agency as an Exemplary District based on AEIS indicators. Emphasis has been placed on evaluation expansion of the curriculum to meet the diverse needs of all students, updating technology, fiscal management and facility improvements. Other past recognition includes Gus Birdwell Elementary being recognized as a "Four Star" school in Texas Monthly, and the Junior High Campus being recognized as a "Distinguished School" by TEA. Due to the strong support and involvement of the Board of Trustees, the district staff, parents and community, a positive climate exists for continuous improvement.

The Board of Trustees meet the 2nd Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m. in room 114 at Spearman High School. Board members are: Bob Boxwell - President, Sheri Benton - Vice President, Mark Sheets - Secretary, Mark Allen, Stephanie Crossland, Carol Dunnihoo, and Will Jarvis.

Enrollment at Spearman I.S.D. for the 1998-1999 school year was 787 (Elementary - 369, Junior High - 172, High School - 246). The District Personnel includes four administrators: Rodney Sumner - Superintendent, Jeff

Rowland - High School Principal, Rolland Shippy - Junior High Principal, and Kent Hargis - Gus Birdwell Elementary Principal; Larry Murphy - Business Manager; 76 teachers; two counselors; two librarians; one nurse; one Community Resource Coordinator; one Technology Coordinator; 13 Instructional Aides; 7 Clerical Staff; 11 Food Service Professionals; 10 Maintenance Engineers; and one Bus Maintenance Engineer.

The Gus Birdwell Elementary is located at 511 S. Townsend, 659-2565. Spearman Junior High is located at 315 W. 5th Avenue, 659-2563. Spearman High School is located at 403 11th Avenue, 659-2584. The Business Office is also located at 403 11th Avenue (east entrance), 659-3233.

## Hansford Showtime Car Club

The Hansford Showtime Car Club was established in 1988 by area car enthusiasts of which 8 are still members. Currently Showtime Car Club has 25 members from Hansford and the surrounding counties. Showtime is a member of the Panhandle Council of Car Clubs, along with 21 other Panhandle Clubs.

The Showtime Car Club has held 11 annual car shows; has helped the Panhandle Council of Car Clubs raise over \$500,000 for the Make-A-Wish Foundation, along with sponsoring two local children; raised money for Meals on Wheels, Children's Miracle Network, Hospice, Girl Scouts, Hansford Volunteer Fire Department, and Boy Scouts, as well as assisting in their annual Pinewood Derby.

Club meetings are the 1st Tuesday of each month at various club member locations. For more information, call Sam Abston - President, at 659-3019

or Bruce Stinson - Vice President, at 659-5410.

Many members are also involved with one or more of the following: Krankers Kar Klub, National Street Rod Association, Goodguys Hot Rod Association, Panhandle Council of Car Clubs, Lone Star Street Rod Association (Sam Abston, Regional Director), of which club calendar and newsletter notes many activities sponsored by these associations and other clubs.

Showtime Car Club does not require that members own a Hot Rod, Street Rod, Classic, or Antique Vehicle (or any vehicle). All one needs to join is a common interest in motor vehicles of any kind, fellowship, and the desire to have fun! Their theme is "I said when I grew up I wanted to be a Street Rodder ... (now I know, you can't do both).

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Allen R. Alberty is the District Administrator/CEO for the Hansford County Hospital District. Kaye McFarlin, RN, is the Director of Nursing for Hansford Hospital. Hansford Hospital has 28 licensed beds for acute care, certified swing bed program, respite care, out-patient chemotherapy, 24-hour emergency room with RN staffing and physician on call.

Tracy Wilson is the Director for the Hansford Hospital Laboratory. The lab performs chemistry profiles, therapeutic drug monitoring, testing of arterial blood gases for oxygen content and metabolic state, strep screens, RSV's, CKMB's, as well as performing tests for out-of-town physicians.

Glen Ruga is the Director for the Hansford Hospital Radiology Department.

Dixie Burch, RN, is the Director of Hansford Home Care. Hansford Home Care provides skilled nursing service, physical therapy, occupational and speech therapy, lab work, injections as ordered, dressing changes, durable medical equipment, dietetic counseling, social service coordination, CNA's, medical supplies, pharmacy, 24-hour call, and hospice care.

Charla Hargis, RN, is the Director

for Hansford Hospice. Hansford Hospice provides acute, respite, and home patient care for the terminally ill and their loved ones, while providing physical, emotional and spiritual well-being.

Jim Miller, RPh, is the pharmacist for the Hansford Hospital Pharmacy. The Pharmacy offers prescription and over-the-counter medications and supplies, up-to-date computer records, and drug interaction information for prescriptions.

Ernestina Salgado is the manager for the Hansford Hospital Dietary Department. The dietary department prepares meals for patients, residents and staff of the Hospital and Manor, as well as Meals on Wheels in Spearman, and dietary consultation is available.

Jeremy Thomas is the Director for the Emergency Medical Services. In collaboration with the City of Spearman and Hansford County, the Hospital District has two paid personnel to assist in providing coverage for H&S Emergency Medical Service.

Carol Dunninghoo, PT and PTA, is in charge of the Physical Therapy Department. In-patient, out-patient home health, nursing home, and hospice care for orthopedic and neurological conditions, wound care, and cardiac

rehab, services are available.

Ashlee Flowers, OTR, is in charge of the Occupational Therapy Department, which handles in-patient, out-patient services.

Joelette Lockhart, MS-CCCSLP, is in charge of the Speech-Language Pathology Department, which handles in-patient, out-patient services.

Glenda Close is the Respiratory Therapist for the Respiratory Care Department. This department provides treatment and diagnostic procedures,

in-patient, out-patient services, and 24-hour emergency on call services.

Erin Bergin, LSW, BSW and Marisela Director of, LSW BSW take care of the Social Work Department.

Sally Swan, RN, Clinic Manager/Coordinator; Paul A. Bubliss, D.O., Medical Director; and Deborah Hitchcock, PA-C make up the Family Medical Clinic of Hansford County. Their duties include: medical histories

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The Hansford Retired School Personnel Association is affiliated with the Texas Retired Teachers Association. The local chapter is a service and action organization dedicated to providing legislation representation and advocacy for improved retirement benefits for all retired school personnel; to encouraging volunteer opportunities in the community, and to promoting the professional, economic, intellectual, and social well-being of its members.

The Board of Directors are:  
President - James Cunningham, 1st  
Vice President - Raymond Birchfield

and Dwayne Mitchell, 2nd Vice  
President - Pauline McGee, and  
Secretary/Treasurer - Wilma Clark.  
The board meets on the 2nd Tuesday of  
each month at 6:00 p.m. in the  
Spearman High School Library.

Any person who is interested in education may become an Associate member upon payment of dues. Such members have all the rights and privileges of membership except the right to vote and to hold office.

For more information, contact James Cunningham at 659-3549 or Wilma Clark at 659-2439.

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## Stationmaster's House Museum

The purpose of the Stationmaster's House Museum is to preserve the past for Hansford County. They are a branch of the Historical Commission.

One of the most interesting displays is the Ft. Zulu Museum, which was a trading post from buffalo hunting days. Zulu, TX was the first building north of the Canadian River built by white men, Robert and James Cator, in 1875. It became a major depot on the Ft. Dodge-Ft. Bascom military road. It was also used as a post office and trading post for a number of years. This replica of the original Zulu was constructed in 1993 on the Museum grounds.

The museum also features a one-room school house from the Palo Duro River area. Built in 1934, it served several years as one of Hansford County's educational facility and was located near the site of the present Palo Duro Dam. It was later used as an office for Waka Berry Grain and also the Waka Post Office. It was moved to the museum site in 1993.

When Spearman was founded on a branch of the Santa Fe Railroad in 1920, a four-room cottage, was built for the station master and his family. He represented a business vital to the economy of the area. He supervised passengers and freight service, operation of the telegraph, and the loading and unloading of the U.S. mail. In the 1920's, the station was especially busy handling supplies and equipment for oil and gas fields in the Panhandle. When the Santa Fe Railroad was discontinued in the early 1980's the depot was donated to the museum by the railroad. It is attached to the main house with a hallway passage added. In 1989, a Santa Fe Railroad caboose was purchased through the Santa Fe Railroad in Wichita, KS. At the time of purchase, the 1965 caboose was a "working" model.

The Harry and Margaret Shedeck Wagon Barn houses their wagon used when over 20 couples

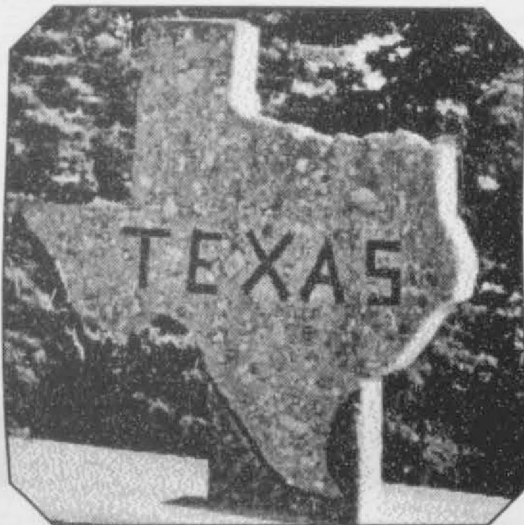
formed the Hansford County Rolling Plains Mule Train.

The Museum is active in community affairs such as the Heritage Days Celebration in June and the Zulu Trading Post Days in September.

Reba Hunter is the caretaker of the Stationmaster's House Museum. She greets all guests who visit. Museum hours are 1:00-5:00 p.m., Tuesday-Saturday, and by appointment. The museum enjoys hosting tours for school children.

Members of the Museum Board are: Helen Boyd - Chairman, Cindy Blackman - Secretary, J.D. and Rubyjo Wilbanks, Joanne Eaton, Irwin Boyd, Ruby and Lester McLain, Bill R. Jackson, Clementine Renner, Joel Lee Lackey, Jeff Lackey, Don Maize, Norma Jean Mackie, and Harry Stumpf.

The Stationmaster's House Museum is located at 30 S. Townsend, 659-3008.



## Spearman Lions Club

The Spearman Lions Club was organized on June 21, 1928 with 27 Charter Members. The president was R.L. McClellan, and the Secretary/Treasurer was Rev. J.H. Richards. Their first project was Clean Up . . . Paint Up Week.

Alton Ellsworth, who joined in 1953, is the longest-active member. Billy Miller, who joined in 1946, has been a member the longest.

During the last year, the Spearman Lions Club has donated over \$400 for eyeglasses for sight-impaired juveniles; over \$2,500 to Caravan Sales to the Blind; \$250 to District Charities; \$25 to the Spearman Booster Club; over \$100 to the Spearman Chamber of Commerce; \$100 to the Spearman Cub Scouts; \$100 to Spearman Junior High for a field trip; over \$90 for milk for Gus Birdwell Elementary; and \$100 to the Golden Spread Council Boy Scouts.

Members of the Board of Directors are: Gary Smith - President (Boss Lion), Cindy Blackman - 1st Vice-President, James Cunningham - 2nd Vice-President, Bret Burgin - 3rd Vice-President, Randy Reid - Secretary, Cecil Biggers - Treasurer.

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Children's Church: 11 a.m.  
Sun. Eve./Youth: 6 p.m.  
Wed. Prayer Mtg.: 7 p.m.  
Wed. Children's Choir: 7 p.m.  
Pastor - Edward Owens

**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.  
Evening Bible Study  
Worship: 6:30 p.m. Sun.  
Minister - Joseph Weaks

**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 - Rick Patrick  
Youth/Ed. Min. - Brian Foster

**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

**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  
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Minister - Leonard Harper

**Sacred Heart Catholic Church**  
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Sat. Night Mass: 7 p.m.  
Sun. Mass: 9 a.m. - English  
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Sun. Mass: 11:30 - Spanish  
1:30 p.m. - Gruver - Christo  
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**Trinity Fellowship Church**  
717 W. 7th Ave. • 659-2671  
Sunday School: 9:30 a.m.  
Worship Service & Children's  
Church: 10:30 a.m.

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

**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

**Primera Mision Bautista**  
502 E. 7th • 659-3991  
Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.  
Sunday Worship: 11 a.m.  
Sunday Evening: 6 p.m.  
Wed. Prayer Meeting: 7 p.m.  
Thurs. Visitation: 7 p.m.

## Gruver

**First Baptist Church**  
402 E. Broadway • 733-2411  
Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.  
Sunday Worship: 10:50 a.m.  
Sun. Disciple Training: 6 p.m.  
Wed. Prayer Meeting: 7:30 p.m.  
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 Gurnfory

**Oslo Lutheran Church (ECLA)**  
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339-7709  
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Worship: 11 a.m.

**Gruver United Methodist**  
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Worship: 8:30 & 10:50 a.m.  
Eve. Worship & UMY: 6 p.m.  
Pastor - Jerry Moore

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Sunday Mass: 1:30 p.m.  
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Summer - 8:00 p.m.  
Fall/Winter - 7:30 p.m.

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# Hansford Cemetery

The site on the east side of Palo Duro Creek was designated by the County Commissioners as the County's first burial plot. Mrs. Alfie P. McGee, wife of Hansford County's first sheriff, died January 7, 1890, and marks the first grave.

In 1891, a tornado destroyed the courthouse, then under construction, killing two workmen - Pete Winsell and a Mr. Williamson from Kansas City, Missouri. These were the next two people to be buried in this new cemetery.

Settlers before the year 1900 buried in Hansford Cemetery are: J.H. Cator, B. O. Cator, Les Cator, J. H. Wright, M.B. Wright and B.P. Ward. This was the only official cemetery in the County until 1928.

Board Members for Hansford Cemetery are: Don Maize, Lynanne Maize, Ronnie Willis, Don Reed, Bob Meek, and Elaine Odegaard. This board has just recently been established. A meeting will be held soon for future planning.

Joe Potts from Gruver is an employee of both the Hansford County Cemetery and the Gruver Cemetery, and he is responsible for the mowing

and weed-trimming for both cemeteries. The upkeep for each owned plot is the responsibility of the owner.

The Hansford Cemetery Board would like to inform everyone that the old trash cans have been removed from the interior of the cemetery, and the City of Gruver has been kind enough to place a trash container on the east side of the cemetery and will empty this container at no cost to the cemetery. They wish to take this opportunity to thank the City of Gruver for this generous contribution to the Hansford Cemetery Association. They ask everyone to please cooperate by placing all their old flowers and trash in this city container.

Memorials and donations are accepted and appreciated. Cards will be sent out on memorials. All donations and memorials can be sent to: Hansford Cemetery Association, 707 E 2nd, Spearman, TS 79081.

Any of the board members listed above can be contacted for more information concerning the cemetery. To purchase cemetery lots, call Don Maize at 659-3082 or Bob Boxwell at 659-3802.

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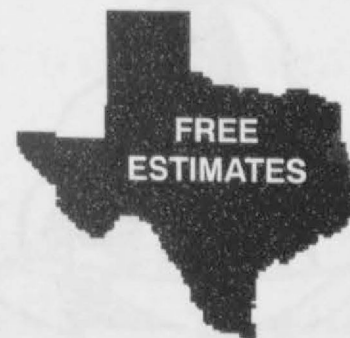
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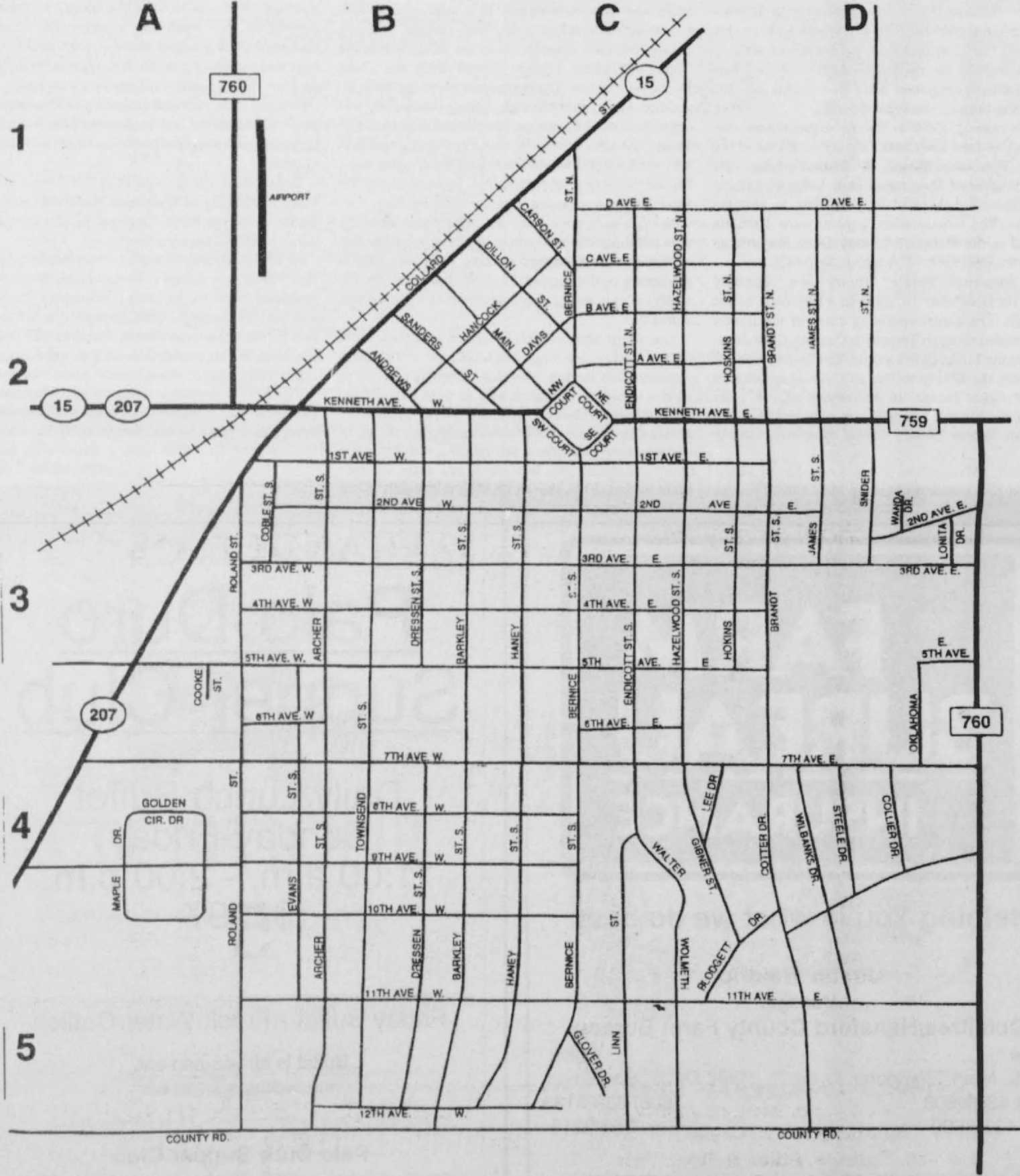
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# Hansford County Library

An idea, a few coins, and sixty-five books marked the beginning of the Hansford County Library, located at 122 Main Street in Spearman.

Retracing the history of the library requires going back to the year 1932 when the town of Spearman was fifteen years old, and there wasn't a paved road in town. There was, however, a Spearman Twentieth Century Club, and there were interested and dedicated women in it who decided to sponsor a library for the town. The club members held a silver tea and book shower. At the end of the event, they had collected a little money and sixty-five books, and the library was born in Hansford County.

In December, 1934 a library organization was drawn up, and the Twentieth Century Club invited the City of Spearman Board of Commissioners, the Superintendent of Spearman Public Schools, and the Lions Club of Spearman to join them as original sponsors. The organization papers were formally recorded in the Hansford County Deed Records on January 16, 1935.

The Spearman Public Library was officially opened on December 14, 1934 in a tiny nook of the City Hall. The actual operating cash for the library was provided through Twentieth Century Club donations and the Lions Club's yearly "Tail Twister Fines".

In 1960, the library moved to roomier quarters in the new Court House. In November of 1967, the name of the library was officially changed from the Spearman Public Library to the Hansford County Library.

The first librarian was Anna Lee Morton (Mrs. Raymond Kirk), later assisted by Miss Ethel Deakin,

the school librarian. Later librarians were Pearl Reed, Gladys Richardson, Celestine Thompson, Frances Kilgore and Rita Curtis. The current librarian is Sheri Benton.

1967 was a landmark year for the Hansford County Library. That year the Library Board decided to purchase a two-story brick building on the corner of Main and Hancock Streets at a cost of \$31,000. Extensive remodeling was done on the building before it could be occupied. In the fall of 1968, the Hansford County Library moved from the Court House into its new and permanent home on Main St.

Once again the citizens, clubs, businesses and organizations of Spearman contributed their time and money. Bazaars were held, art sales staged, stew dinners cooked and served, teas and book sales held. Private donations were plentiful. Proceeds from the local Thrift Shop poured into the building fund.

In 1970, only three years following purchase of the new building, enough money had been raised to pay off the debt. A Mortgage-Burning Party was held at the library on November 15, 1970 and approximately 300 people joined the festivities. The library was debt-free.

The Thrift Shop, which is located in a back room of the library building, originated as a Twentieth Century Club project. The club members decided to hold a one-time rummage sale to help pay off the building debt. However, so many quality items were donated by people in the community that the club-women chose to continue selling the goods for a few more weekends. The few weekends extended into years, and, in 1999, the Thrift Shop is still very much

a part of the library and the community. It is staffed entirely by volunteer workers who sort, price and sell the items that have been donated. All proceeds from the Thrift Shop go to the library.

The Hansford County Library became a non-profit corporation on August 31, 1972. In that year, it also became a member of the Texas Panhandle Library System. TPLS has enabled the library to extend far beyond its four walls and to offer the citizens of Hansford County varied services, such as interlibrary loan and circulating audio and large print book collections. TPLS funds have enriched the library book collection each year and added a public access computer. Consultation and continuing education for the librarian are other programs available through the system.

Today, the costs for operating the library are provided by the City of Spearman, Hansford County, the Thrift Shop, the PEDL fees and by donations from individuals and organizations.

In 1987, Hansford County Library became a part of the Harrington Library Consortium, a panhandle computer network including automated circulation and on-line catalogs. 1996 brought the addition of two public access computers. One has CD-Rom reference materials available as well as word processing capabilities, and the other is dedicated to the Internet.

The library presently houses 22,500 volumes and has an annual circulation of approximately 40,500. Programs offered by the library include a story hour for four and five year olds, a successful Summer

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The Child Development Center gives children a good start in life, and helps prepare them for school. The staff includes Sam Cogdill - Director, Deana Shields - Cook/Teacher, Mendy Hetzler - Teacher, Rosa Vasquez - Baby Room Teacher, Julie Scroggs - Teacher, and Dawn Loomis - Teacher's Assistant.

The Board of Directors meets the 3rd Wednesday of each month at 6:00 p.m. in the Hospital Lounge. Board members are: Father Scott Raef, Anne Snow - President, Ruben Gomez, Rev. Ken Cole, Maria Sumner, Cindy Blackman - Secretary, Rosalee Bueno, Ruth Bubliss, Buster Davis, and Elana Vargas.

The staff and the board of directors invites everyone who is interested in the program to call 659-3179, or stop by 907 S. Roland. They would also like to thank everyone in the community for their support.

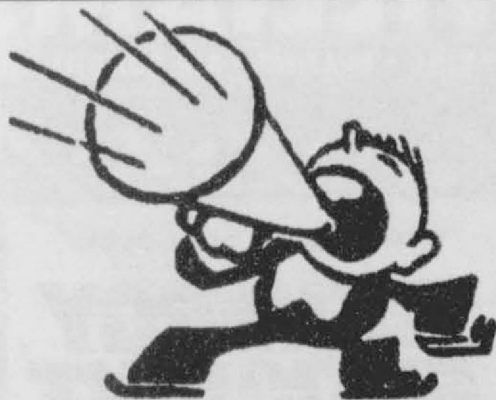
## Hansford County Library

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Reading Club for grades K through five and programs given to adult organizations in the community.

Other services available at Hansford County Library include a paperback book exchange, microfilm reader, magazines, computers, audio books, large print books, books in Spanish, fax machine, copy machine and rooms upstairs available for rental.

The Hansford County Library has come a very long way from an idea in the 1930's to a vital part of a thriving community in the 1990's.



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 Fire Department (To Report A Fire) - 911  
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 Municipal Swimming Pool - 401 King - 733-5107  
 Police Department - 108 E. Broadway - 911  
 Police Department (Non-Emergency) - 733-2424  
 Gruver Post Office - 733-2841

## Spearman

Ambulance - 30 SW Court - 911  
 Ambulance (Non-Emergency) 659-3707  
 City Hall - 30 SW Court - 659-2524  
 Fire Department (To Report A Fire) - 911  
 Fire Department - 513 S. Hazelwood - 659-5511  
 Police Department - 30 SW Court - 911  
 Police Department (Non-Emergency) - 659-3707  
 Swimming Pool - 216 E. 7th - 659-2711  
 City Warehouse - 707 E. D St. - 659-3200  
 The O'Loughlin Center - 502 S. Brandt - 659-3030  
 Golden Spread Senior Citizens Center - 659-3886  
 Sacred Heart Child Development Center - 659-3179  
 Spearman Post Office - 659-3313

## Hansford County

Appraisal District - 709 W. 7th - 659-5575  
 Auditor - 659-4105  
 Barn - 659-3144  
 County Clerks Office - 659-4110  
 County Compost - E. Hwy. 15 - 659-3838  
 County Judge - N.W. Court - 659-4100 or 733-2901  
 Dept. of Public Safety - 659-4135  
 District Attorney - 659-4150  
 District & County Probation Office - 659-4155

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 Extension Agents - 659-4130  
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 Home Economics - 659-4131  
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 Library - 122 Main St. - 659-2231  
 Maintenance Barn (Gruver) - 733-2923  
 North Plains Water District - 659-3165  
 Sheriff's Office - N.W. Court - 659-4140  
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 Natural Resource Conservation Service - 659-2330  
 Hansford Hospital - 707 S. Roland - 659-2535  
 Morse Post Office - 733-2241

## Spearman Independent School District

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 Cafeteria Supervisor - 315 W. 5th - 659-2563  
 Counselor's Office - 505 Townsend - 659-3519  
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 Junior High - 315 W. 5th - 659-2563  
 Maintenance Supervisor - 315 W. 5th - 659-2563  
 School Nurse - 315 W. 5th - 659-5067  
 High School - 403 E. 11th - 659-2584  
 Superintendent's Office - 403 E. 11th - 659-3233  
 Community Resource Coordinator - 659-3233

## Gruver Independent School District

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 Boys Gym - 733-5424  
 Business Office - 733-2821  
 Cafeteria - 733-2032  
 Counselor's Office - 733-5111  
 Elementary School - 733-2031  
 Field House - 733-2943  
 Girls Gym - 733-2041  
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 Junior High School - 733-2081  
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City Hall (Water, Gas, Sewer, Sanitation)  
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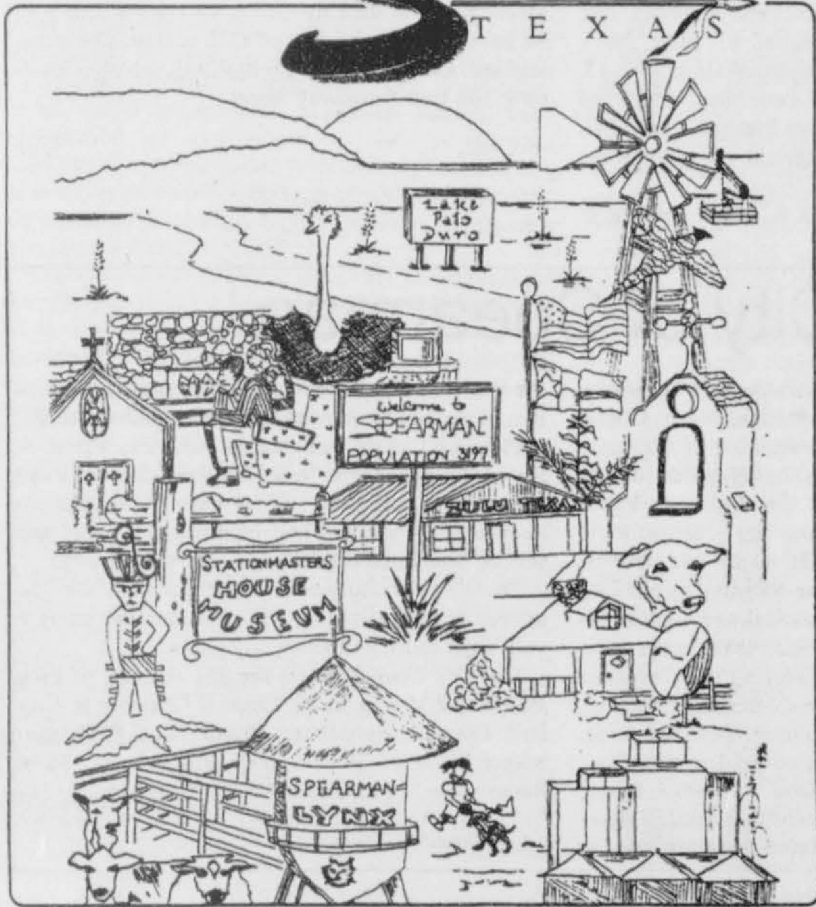


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The City offers most services, which other cities offer. They include a library, which is open 4 hours a day, 5 days a week; police protection, including animal control services; containerized trash pickups, a tree limb chipper, a recycling center; all paved sheets; a city park which includes a pool that is open seven days a week during the summer months; a community building known as the Golden Age Center, which is also used by senior citizens groups; a volunteer ambulance service, with two units and 16 volunteers 5 paramedics and 11 E.M.T.'s; a volunteer fire department with 25 volunteers and 8 fire fighting units; an airport with a 4,700' X 60' paved runway; a natural gas distribution system; a sanitary sewer system; and a water distribution system.

The City has an insurance I.S.O. fire rating of five, a very low fire loss ratio to premiums paid; a very low crime rate; and five very active churches in town, and one church Northwest of town.

The City collects a 2 percent sales tax and an ad valorem tax at the rate of 25-cents per \$100.00 value of property.

The employees are: A.J. Ratliff - City Manager, employed since November 16, 1974; Linda Weller - City Clerk, employed since August 29, 1994; James

Nick Jordan - Chief of Police, employed since May 13, 1994; Robert Blount - Director of Public Works, employed since April 1, 1978; Sam Gruver - Utility Worker and Volunteer Fire Chief and Volunteer Fire Marshal, employed since August 9, 1993; Mark Washburn - Utility Worker, employed since June 13, 1994; Chris Morris - Police Patrolman, employed since January 25, 1999; Carolyn Fletcher - Librarian - September 1, 1986; Curt Fitzgearld - Director of the Volunteer E.M.S.

The City officials are: Mark K. Irwin - Mayor &

Vice-President of the Panhandle Conference of Mayors; Johnnie Williams - City Commissioner, and Chad Logsdon, - City Commissioner. The regular meeting time of the City Commissioners is 5:00 p.m. on the second Wednesday of each month. The meetings are held at the City Hall Building, which is located at 108 East Broadway Street.

## City of Spearman

City Hall is located at 30 S.W. Court in Spearman. The City Manager is Robert Patrick, who manages, directs and coordinates administration of City government. The Police Chief is Jarrett Wilde, directs and coordinates activities of the Spearman Police Department; Public Works Director - Shane Rich, directs and coordinates public works and utilities; City Secretary - Cheryl Gibson-Salgado, assists City Manager and Council with clerical and administrative support, supervises and coordinates employees in bookkeeping and record keeping requirements; Utility Superintendent - Galen Coates, directs activities of personnel engaged in installing, maintaining, repairing and servicing the water, gas and sewer systems; Sanitation Superintendent - Edward Cantu, plans and directs sanitation collection, landfill operation, and assignment of personnel and equipment in

the Sanitation Department; City Mechanic - Charles Bantz, repairs and overhauls automobiles, trucks, tractors and other automotive vehicles; Parks & Street Superintendent - Jose Vaquera, supervises and coordinates activities of workers engaged in installing, maintaining and repairing the parks and streets; Municipal Court Judge - Gary Ellsworth.

The City of Spearman is responsible for the upkeep of the Swimming Pool, a racquetball court, a volleyball court, and seven city parks.

The City Council meets the 3rd Tuesday of each month at 7:30 p.m. at the Council Chamber of City Hall. Councilmembers are: Mayor - Burl Buchanan, Mayor Pro tem - Donald Reed, Ron Antalek, Steve Benton, Charles Elliott, and Brian Gillipsie.



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Rotary members are chosen by classification according to their job responsibilities. Each Rotarian owns and represents that classification. Rotary is worldwide with 160 countries and over 1,200,000 members. Spearman Rotary represents every area of community involvement through the Chamber of Commerce, Schools, and cooperation with all other entities for the betterment of the community.

Rotary officers are: Arbeth Nobles - President, Jim Derington - President-elect, Jack McWhirter - Secretary/Treasurer, Kerry Henton - Chairman Club Service, Raymond Birchfield - Chairman Vocational Service, Kim Brock - Chairman Community Service, Ginger Turner - International Service, Bill Pittman - Director, Larry Butts - Director and John Hutchison - Membership Chairman.

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## The O'Loughlin Center

The O'Loughlin Center was completed in June of 1994, five years after the idea was first conceived. A group of people saw a need for an all-purpose building where all types of activities could be held, including a gym, fitness center, Senior Citizens and children's activities. The building was built with grants and donations from families and individuals in Spearman and Hansford County. The building was completed and is operated without use of tax dollars.

Weekly activities include aerobics and Taibo classes, Weight Watchers, as well the fitness center. The local Senior Citizens have many activities scheduled throughout the week. Many children as well as adults enjoy using the gym for basketball, volleyball and birthday parties.

Hours for The O'Loughlin Center are 6:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Monday through Thursday, and 6:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. on Fridays.

The Meadows Hall, as well as the Mabee and Barrington Rooms, are available Monday through Sunday for events.

Some of the events that take place at The O'Loughlin Center are: wedding receptions, family reunions, class reunions, bridal and baby showers, business seminars, craft shows, customer appreciation events, banquets,

bridge tournaments, volleyball leagues and art shows, as well as many other activities.

Kathy Bryant is the Director for The O'Loughlin Center. Bart McDonald is the Maintenance Supervisor. He oversees the set-up and take-down for all the events taking place at The O'Loughlin Center. He is also in charge of keeping the building clean and the care of the lawn. Tobee Barrera, receptionist, works late afternoon and evenings. She is there to see that everything runs smoothly in the Fitness Center as well as smaller events taking place in the evenings. Cesar Morena, trainee with the JTPA summer program, is working as an office and maintenance assistant.

The Spearhead Corporation meets monthly in the Blodgett Room on the 2nd Tuesday at 7:30 a.m. Members of the board are: Bob Boxwell - President, Mike Cudd - Vice-President, Jackie Pearson - Secretary/Treasurer, Bret Burgin, Rosa Lee Butt, Carolyn Cummings, James Cunningham, Helen Etter, Marsha Murphy, Charles Newcomb, Arbeta Nobles, Bob Pearson, Gary Smith, Verna Lee Shirley, Don Townsen, and Jimmie Vernon. The board is especially happy to welcome new members Juan Avila, Shirley Lowe of Gruver, and Sergio Vargas.



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The Gruver Post Office is operated by Postmaster Mike Floyd. Office hours are 8:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m. and 1:30-4:30 p.m., Monday-Friday, with 24-hour access available to postal boxes and stamp machines.

The Morse, Gruver, and Spearman Post Offices are full service post offices, offering services from Express Mail, Priority Mail, First Class Mail or

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Other special services such as certified, insured, and registered mail are also available, as well as retail and packaging items. Both U.S. and International money orders are issued at the Post Office, too. Credit/debit cards are accepted, and a new service that can be used a debit card is cash back.

The latest service the U.S. Postal Service is offering is called Delivery Confirmation. The cost is 35¢ on Priority mailings, and 60¢ for standard mailings. The customer is issued a tracking number, and then may call an 800 number to check on the status and delivery of parcels.

## Hansford Manor

Hansford Manor is one of the premier nursing facilities in the Panhandle. Their philosophy of care is that the Manor is the residents' home, so pets, children, plants, families, and visitors are encouraged to enrich the residents' lives. Each person receives individual attention, based on their needs and preferences. This year Hansford Manor received three awards with statewide recognition for community service, life enrichment, and outstanding volunteers. The Manor's close connection to Hansford Hospital affords it unique opportunities to give its community a continuum of care, from acute to rehabilitation, to long term care.

The Administrator for Hansford Manor is Anne Snow, the Director of Nursing is Kim Blevins, and the Assistant DON is Connie Ermis, RN; the Care Plan Coordinator is Lelia Bynum, RN; the Director of Medical Records is Linda Lujan; Director of the Activity Director is Debra Sanford; the Social Worker is Mansela Lujan.

The Board of Directors for the Hansford County Hospital District are: Jerry Hunt - President, Helen Etter, Lynn Davis, Tom Latta, and Irvin Davis. Meetings are held on the 3rd Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m. in the Hansford Hospital Board Room. Hansford Manor is located at 707 S. Roland, 659-5535.

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# J.B. Buchanan Windmill Collection

One man's passion is quickly becoming one town's pride with the relocation of the windmill collection of J.B. Buchanan to the City of Spearman.

J.B. Buchanan, whose fascination with windmills at age three led him to climb the Currie windmill near his Oklahoma ranch home, began his first restoration project when he was only 14. Having found a dilapidated windmill half-buried in a creek bank, Buchanan retrieved the windmill, restored the blades, and erected it atop a pole at the entrance of his family ranch.

The cattle at the range were the first to enjoy Buchanan's handiwork. "At first, the cows would just wander up and stare at it and look around for the water trough that was supposed to be below it," Buchanan related.

Years later, Buchanan' fascination for the whirling wonders was rekindled when he surveyed the uncluttered plain of the Texas Panhandle and realized how he missed seeing the majestic windmills which had been a part of his youth vanished by modern immersible electric pumps. Even so, Buchanan's love may never have resulted in an actual collection and restoration had fate not stepped in.

In 1968, while browsing in a store in New Mexico, he discovered something he couldn't resist - an Eclipse Windmill still in its original shipping crate.

"The Eclipse was to windmills what a Stetson is to hats," Buchanan remarked.

After purchasing the windmill and erecting it in his back yard, the first of a collection that would become the largest in Texas, was begun.

Searching for old windmills soon added other models such as the Star mill, the Dempster Umbrella mill (a unique variation that folds its 18' blades in on themselves to protect them when the wind is too

strong), and Curries, similar to the ones known in his youth.

Two of Buchanan's treasures have been given to the Smithsonian Museum in Washington, D.C., but the remainder have stood in the yard of his farm house through the years.

Restoration of his finds molded Buchanan into a competent carpenter and blacksmith. In his barn that doubles as a workshop, he has hammered bent metal blades flat on an anvil, shaped wheels from water-soaked oak, and cut precise grooves for the countless, wooden blades for the Dempster models.

In 1997, after climbing on one of his spinning beauties to make repairs at the age of 92, Buchanan promised his dismayed wife, Ila Mae, that he had scaled his last windmill tower. So, in early 1998, Buchanan offered his priceless collection to the City of Spearman.

The Spearman Chamber of Commerce, Buchanan's grandson, Roger, and son, Burl (Mayor of Spearman), formed the Southwestern Pioneer Windmill Association and dedicated a five-acre plot on the southern edge of the town to be used in the display of the collection.

Businesses of Spearman are adopting windmills and will assume the maintenance of them. "We're getting some other windmills from around the state, and we hope to eventually have about 30, with my grandfather's in one spot and about 15 others scattered throughout the town," stated Roger Buchanan.

Spearman's aspiration of becoming known as the "Windmill City" us a step closer to reality with the move of the first of the Buchanan collection being moved on January 21, 1999. A ceremonial groundbreaking of the proposed site was also held on that day. The first windmill arrived on a horse-drawn

wagon, before being erected.

News of Spearman's planned outdoor "museum" of windmills has been received with great anticipation in the Panhandle region. The Big Texan Steak Ranch of Amarillo, which greets thousands of tourists each year, has endorsed the collection to its guests through a special exhibition in the restaurant's courtyard. One of the Buchanan windmills, a Samson Windmill, is on display in the scenic area with a large placard inviting tourists to visit the entire collection at the Spearman site.

With the relocation of the windmills, the Buchanan farm yard will soon be devoid of the prairie pumpers which have adorned it for thirty years. But, in a larger sense, one man's love for the stately majestic towers of the Plains will now be shared to fascinate and mesmerize generations.



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# Spearman

Spearman was established in the 1920's, when North Texas and Santa Fe Railroad built across Hansford County. The town was named for a railroad executive. Spearman is the county seat for Hansford County. Its industries include grain storage, shipping, gas, oil, refineries, irrigated farming and cattle.

Spearman, a proud and peaceful community of approximately 3,200 citizens, is located in Hansford County. Spearman, where the residents take great pride in the community and school, is a close-knit, conservative yet progressive community.

Spearman provides the small-town advantages of comfort and enjoyment and is a safe place to live as evidenced by the low crime rate. There are approximately 15 churches in the community, which demonstrates the strong emphasis its citizens place on family and religious values.

There are numerous opportunities for relaxation and recreation at the area's hunting, fishing, and golfing facilities. Residents also enjoy the town's lighted tennis courts and volleyball court, swimming pool, and eight parks.

These qualities teamed with warm, friendly, caring people make Spearman a great place to live, work, and raise a family.

Items of interest are the site of the Battle of Adobe Walls, the Rolling Plains Mule Train Association, and the Stationmaster's House Museum.

Battle of Adobe Walls - Site where two famous Indian battles were fought. Col. Kit Carson (in his last fight) and his U.S. troops in 1864 narrowly escaped defeat by Kiowa and Comanche Indians who

had been molesting wagon trains and settlers. Ten years later, in 1874, Indians under Quanah Parker and Lone Wolf attacked buffalo hunters' camp at a second battle of Adobe Walls near the first site. A fierce dawn attack opened the siege, and though the Indians were at first repulsed, the party of 28 men and one woman was surrounded, and it seemed only a matter of time before the superior number of Indians would prevail. On the second day a group of Cheyenne appeared on a high mesa overlooking the camp, setting the stage for William (Billy) Dixon's famous shot. From within the stockade he shot an Indian from his horse at a distance approaching seven-eighths of a mile. The Indians were so shocked at the white man's shooting ability that they mounted only desultory attacks thereafter and soon withdrew. The site is south of Spearman, and historical markers are at the site.

Rolling Plains Mule Train Association - This association consists of a group of area residents who for many years maintained mule teams and covered wagons for old-fashioned rides across the plains, even up to week-long trips. Their present activity is limited largely to parades.

Stationmaster's House Museum - This complex includes a restored depot agent's home; exhibits feature home life, and general history of Hansford County. Outdoor exhibits consist of farm machinery and an Indian sculpture which was carved by a chain saw from a dead elm tree.

## Community Resource Coordinator

With the combined efforts of the school and the community, a program was developed to establish the Community Resource Coordinator office for the Spearman I.S.D. In 1996, Cindy Blackman was employed as the Community Resource Coordinator. This program was the result of meetings conducted from the entities to better address community needs and concerns. The group concluded that the primary concern was the need to better coordinate the resources of the community which addresses the youth and special programs.

The emphasis of this program is on recreational, vocational, adult education, GED, English as a Second Language, special events involving community and school and community/school liaison. Other popular activities have included developing a Partners In Education program between school and business community, using the PIE program to provide GED funding for adults, vocational training and continued education classes with Frank Phillips College, establishing the summer recreational program KIDS KAMP, using the school facilities for job training and working closely with the Spearman Chamber of Commerce to include the school in special events.

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## Hansford County Hospital District

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Anne Snow is the Administrator for Hansford Manor, and Kim Blevins, RN, is the Director of Nursing. Hansford Manor is a long term care/rehabilitation facility with 84 licensed beds. All services provided by the District are available to qualifying residents. The Manor is an Eden Alternative Facility.

The Hansford County Hospital District Board of Directors meet on the third Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m. in the Board Room at Hansford Hospital. The Board of Directors include: Jerry Hunt - President, Helen Etter - Vice President, Lynn Davis - Secretary-Treasurer, Tom Latta, Irvin Davis, and John Sutterfield.

Throughout the year the EMS will be offering various classes for the

public. Hansford Manor's Activity Director, Debra Sanford, has many program opportunities for children and adults of all ages to interact with Manor residents. Hansford County Hospital District is very fortunate to have civic organizations, concerned and caring citizens and family members, the Auxiliary, and Hansford Hospice Volunteers to assist the residents, patients, and staff of the District.

For more information concerning the Hansford County Hospital District, contact Allen R. Alberty, Administrator/CEO at 659-2535, ext. 3300 or Carol Sell, Admin. Assistant, ext. 3339.

## Spearman Chamber of Commerce

In a small community, the Chamber of Commerce is the hub of the business and community calendar. Spearman is very fortunate to have a wide base of interested volunteers who really care about the activities of the community. "People I speak with in larger communities are always impressed with the amount of activity that is generated in our community," stated Gina Gillispie, Executive Director for the Spearman Chamber of Commerce.

The Board of Directors meets on the 2nd Thursday each month at noon at a local cafe. The Directors are: Bruce Stinson - President, Kim Brock, Dr. Scot Martin, Tami Kunselman, Jim Younger, Jan Williamson, Tindle Ramon (Spearman Connection), Eulalia Blankenship (Retail Merchants representative), Carolyn McLeod, and Robert Patrick.

The Chamber of Commerce office is located at 211 Main Street in Spearman. The phone number is 659-5555.

Visit the Spearman Connection at [www.spearman.org](http://www.spearman.org).

## Gruver I.S.D.

Gruver I.S.D. is committed to providing a solid foundation to the school children in its community. They have Exemplary and Recognized campuses as rated by Texas Education Agency in their district for several years. In May of last year, they had 176 elementary students enrolled in pre-kindergarten through fourth grade, 142 in grades fifth through eighth in the junior high school, and 159 in grades 9-12 in the high school.

Gruver I.S.D. employees are:

Superintendent - Laura Blassingame, Elementary School Principal - Diane Brown, Junior High School Principal - Larry Bartee, High School Principal/Athletic Director - Kip Bullock, Business Manager - Julie Williams, a business manager assistant, four secretaries, 48 teachers, one counselor, one nurse, two librarians, one library aide, one special education aide, one migrant coordinator and a migrant aide, three maintenance personnel, five janitorial personnel, five cafeteria

workers, and one diagnostician, and one part-time speech therapists.

The Gruver Board of Trustees meet on the Tuesday following the fourth of each month at 6:00 p.m. in the Board Room located in Gruver High School. Members of the Board of Trustees are: Buddy Lowe, Jr. - President, Mike Yanke - Vice-President, Benny Wilson - Secretary, David Grotgut, Jody Irwin, Paul Stavlo, and Terry Sherrill.



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## The Hansford County and District Clerk's Office

Kim Vera has served Hansford County as a Deputy for 14 years and as Clerk for 4 1/2 years. Maria Ochoa is the Chief Deputy. She worked as Chief Deputy for four years from 1986-1990, and was rehired in 1995. Tammy Batton, Deputy, was hired in 1996. The County and District Clerk and her staff perform many important duties for the public.

The County side of the office performs the following duties: assist the Commissioners' Court; conduct general and primary elections; issue and file marriage licenses, birth certificates and records, and death certificates and records; brand records, deed and official record filings; scan official records on optical disks for preservation; file and safekeep wills and probate records; process court dockets and records; County Civil Court file and process; UCC financing statement file and search; protective order file and service; keep financial record on all the above records including probation fees and fines; Maintain Bond Records and Forfeitures.

The District side of the office performs the duties as follows: Grand Jury Selection and Assignments; Assist Petit Jury Selection;

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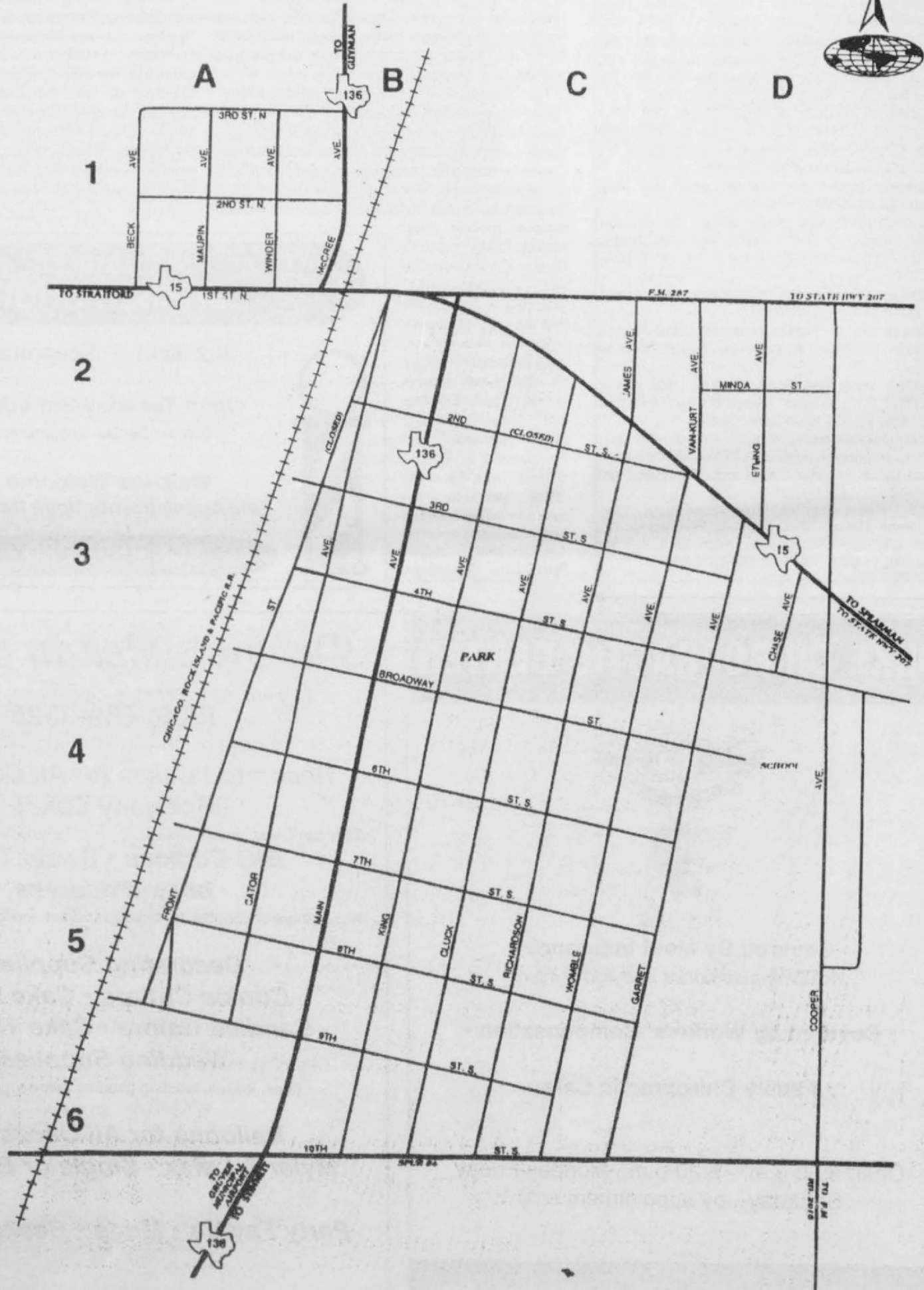
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The Sheriff for Hansford County is R.L. McFarlin, Jr. Deputies are Gary Evans (Chief Deputy), Pete Ochoa, Scott Davis, and Mike Davis (Reserve Deputy). The local Department of Public Safety Trooper is Ed Longoria.

On June 1, 1999, Hansford County and the Cities of Spearman and Gruver combined their dispatch offices. The new Central Telecommunications Center dispatches for the Hansford County Sheriff's Office, Spearman Police

Department, Gruver Police Department, Spearman EMS and Fire Department, Gruver Fire and EMS Department, the Department of Public Safety, Weather Watchers, answering 9-1-1 phone calls, type reports, enter wanted or missing people in the TCIC/NCIC Computer, enter stolen property into TCIC/NCIC. The department is computerized, allowing the department to give response to officers within a 15 second response.

The Telecommunications Supervisor/Jailer is Debbie Hornsby. The Telecommunications Assistant Supervisor/Jailer is Brenda Vera. Other Telecommunications Operators/Jailers are Bea Comp and Jim Tope.

The Central Telecommunications Center strongly urges the community to dial 9-1-1 for emergencies such as ambulance, fire, police (for family disturbances, fights, etc.) and accidents. Any non-emergency calls may be called into the Sheriff's Department at

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## Palo Duro River Authority

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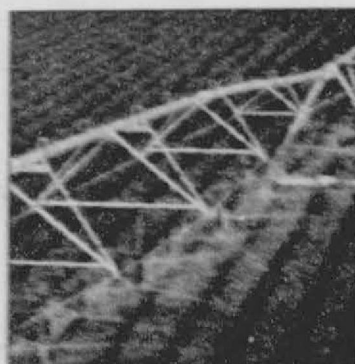
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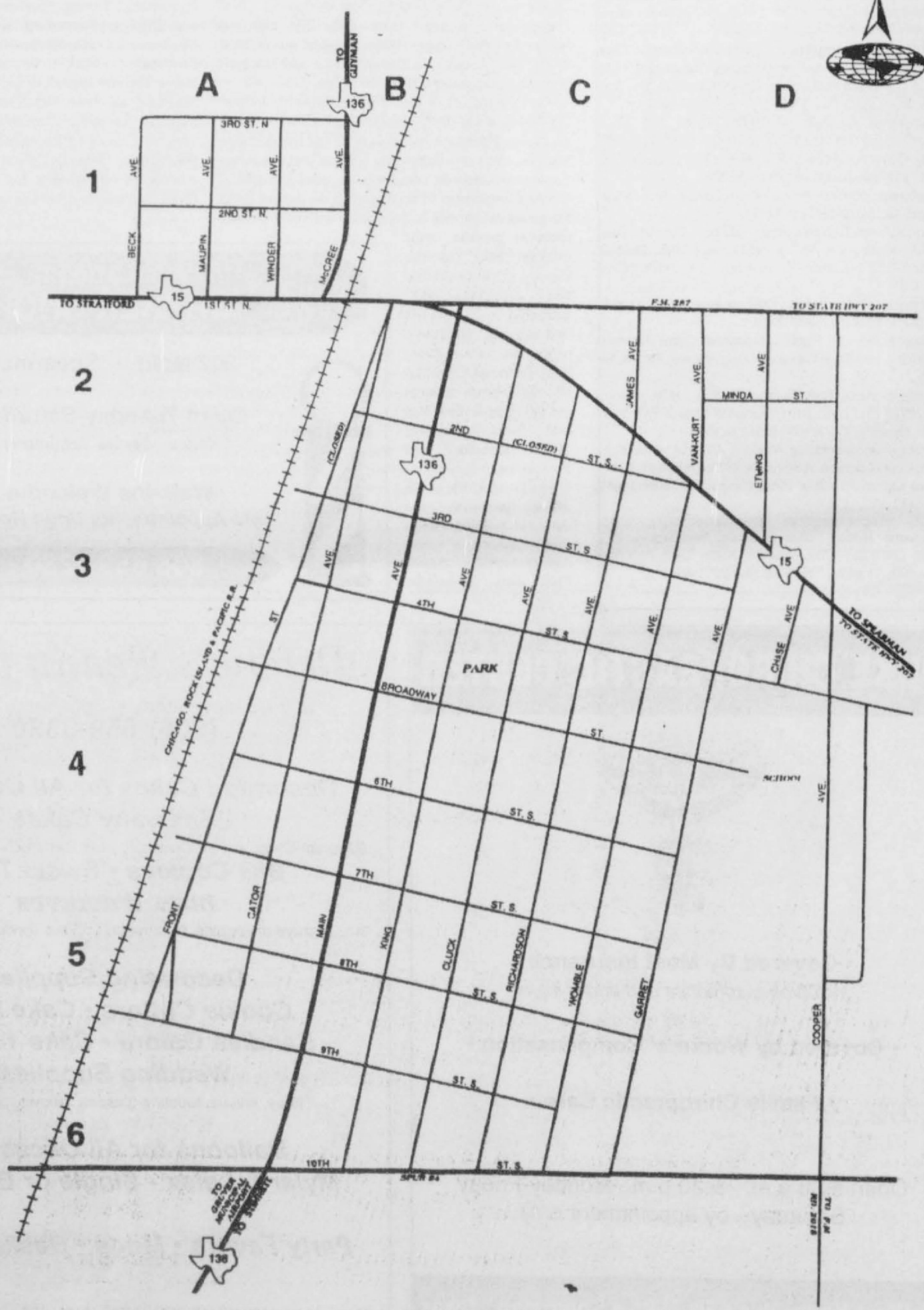
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The Sheriff for Hansford County is R.L. McFarlin, Jr. Deputies are Gary Evans (Chief Deputy), Pete Ochoa, Scott Davis, and Mike Davis (Reserve Deputy). The local Department of Public Safety Trooper is Ed Longoria.

On June 1, 1999, Hansford County and the Cities of Spearman and Gruver combined their dispatch offices. The new Central Telecommunications Center dispatches for the Hansford County Sheriff's Office, Spearman Police

Department, Gruver Police Department, Spearman EMS and Fire Department, Gruver Fire and EMS Department, the Department of Public Safety, Weather Watchers, answering 9-1-1 phone calls, type reports, enter wanted or missing people in the TCIC/NCIC Computer, enter stolen property into TCIC/NCIC. The department is computerized, allowing the department to give response to officers within a 15 second response.

The Telecommunications Supervisor/Jailer is Debbie Hornsby. The Telecommunications Assistant Supervisor/Jailer is Brenda Vera. Other Telecommunications Operators/Jailers are Bea Comp and Jim Tope.

The Central Telecommunications Center strongly urges the community to dial 9-1-1 for emergencies such as ambulance, fire, police (for family disturbances, fights, etc.) and accidents. Any non-emergency calls may be called into the Sheriff's Department at

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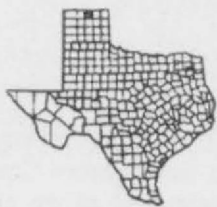
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