

# Spearman track teams make clean sweep

At the track meet held in Spearman last weekend, both the varsity girls and boys came away with top honors. Of the seven towns represented at the meet, both Spearman varsity teams accumulated the most total points.

Spearman girls totaled 178 points for first place, followed by Perryton with 156. Then it was Canadian with 68, West Texas 55, Sunray 40, Stratford 37, and Highland Park 14.

Heather Murrell set a new meet record in the 400 meter dash with a time of 58.23, good for the first place win. She also took a first in the long jump, 16' 11", and in the 100 meter hurdles, 15.64. Murrell took second place in the high jump, 4' 10".

Krista Kirkland claimed first place in the 3200 meter run with a time of 12:53.56. She also had second place in the 1600 meter run with 5:51.71.

Laci Lasater was awarded first place in the triple jump with 32' 9" jumps. She also had a third place in the 100 meter hurdles, 17.52, and a fourth in the 400 meter dash, 64.29.

Joy Gafford took second place in the 100 meter hurdles, 17.22, and third in the high jump, 4' 6".

Haley Shieldknight was third in the 3200 meter run, 13:37.96, and fifth in the 1600 meter, 6:05.27.

Shannon Holton placed third in the triple jump for Spearman, and fourth in the 800 meter run, with 29' 10 1/2" in the jumps and a time of 2:46.73 in the run.

Lori Lieb had two fifth places for the Lynxettes. One came in the 100 meter dash, 14.44 and the other in the 200 meter, 29.69.

Suzanne Sanders was fifth in the high jump, 4' 6". Carla Greene was fifth in the triple jump, 28' 4 1/2".

Mindy Lasater took sixth place in the 100 meter dash and the 200 meter dash with times of 14.56 and 30.06.

The Lynxettes three relay teams all took first place at the meet. The team of M. Lasater, Sonya Nitschke, Gafford, and Sanders had a time of 54.37 in the 400 meter relay for first place.

Gafford, Greene, Nitschke, and Sanders made up the first place 800 meter relay team, 1:54.02. The first place 1600 meter relay team consisted of Nitschke, L. Lasater, Holton, and Murrell.

The varsity boys gained 162 points for first place. West Texas was second with 109 points. Perryton was third with 94 points, followed by Canadian with 76, Highland Park with 37, Stratford 26 and Sunray 16.

In the 3200 meter run, Jerold Blan claimed first place with a

time of 10:38.23. Chad Riggins was fourth with 11:48.61. Jeff Hutchison was fifth, 11:57.45.

In the 400 meter relay, the team of Haskell Garrett, Chris Williamson, Blan, and Shawn Cook took first with 44.78.

In the 800 meter dash, Tim Dooley was second with 2:11.78.

Cook took second in the 110 meter high hurdles with 14.95 and Ron McCown was fourth with 15.83.

Williamson claimed first place in the 100 meter dash with 11.13 and Garrett was second, 11.23. Blan took first in the 400 meter dash, 52.31, and Dooley was sixth, 54.74.

Cook captured first place in the pole vault, 13', and second places in the long jump, 19' 2 1/2", and the 300 meter intermediate hurdles, 40.13.

In the 200 meter dash, it was Garrett and Williamson in third and fourth place with times of 23.67 and 23.71.

In the 1600 meter run, Riggins and Hutchison were fifth and sixth with 5:12.17 and 5:33.76. In the shot put, Matt Tucker gained another meet record with his throw of 59' 10 3/4". Lance Swan was fourth 48' 4 3/4".

In the discus, Swan set a new meet record with his throw of 156' 9 1/2". Tucker took second place

with 153' 7". John Hughes came in fifth with 133' 5". In the high jump, McCown was third with 5' 6".

On Spearman's junior varsity

boys team, four boys placed in the meet. Jeff Wagner took fourth in the discus with 107' 5" and Brian Kidder was sixth, 106' 1 1/2".

Brian Beck took second in two

events, 110 meter high hurdles, 16.93, and 300 meter intermediate hurdles, 44.72. Mac Sheppard was fourth in the 200 meter dash with a time of 26.15.



LANCE SWAN  
SETS NEW MEET RECORD WITH 156' 9 1/2" DISCUS

## Comptroller's office reports rebates

The State Comptroller's office reported Friday that statewide sales tax rebates for the first four months of 1989 were up 13.4 percent over last year's tax allocations for the same period. But the rebates for Hansford County were down for this period, on the average, for filers who reported to the Comptroller's office by March 20.

In Gruver, the net payment for this period was \$3,562.93 compared to \$2,931.77 last year, which represented a 21.53% increase. The same period in Spearman showed a \$10,026.87 payment for this period, compared to a \$11,354.70 net payment for the

prior year. This showed an 11.69% decrease this period. Overall Hansford County showed a 4.88% decrease.

State Comptroller, Bob Bullock warned that the monthly comparisons in this month's report are skewed because merchants collected and reported an extra day's worth of sales taxes in February 1988, which was a leap year.

"We estimated that as much as \$1.9 million in sales tax could have been reported statewide for February 29 last year. One day may not seem like much, but it's enough to throw the numbers off," Bullock said.

## Radiothon begins today

The Golden Spread Senior Citizens Center and KRDF Radio Station will host the annual Radiothon today (Thurs. April 13.) The Radiothon is local talent, arranged by Pete and Brenda Wall of Spearman, who will vocalize their talents on the local radio station to inspire donations. All donations received through the Radiothon will be used by the Golden Spread Senior Citizen Center to provide activities and services for the senior citizens throughout the year.

The awards for Senior Citizen of the Year and Volunteer of the Year will also be presented during the Radiothon.

Some of the local talent already

lined up for the program includes: Bill Porter, Robert Queener, Kathy Archer, Lisa Miesner, Merry Bateman, Trudie Schneider;

Stephanie Brock and Company from the First Baptist Church, Lisa Pipkin, Sue Fiel, Laquita Evans, Cindy Womble, Bill & Alice, and Ted Miller, Kristi Wall and Kathryn Murphy. Listen to some of the best talent Hansford County has to offer including Amber Pennington who will perform at 6:45 p.m.

All donations made to the Golden Spread Center help to maintain the Center and provide senior citizens with many activities and services.

## Choir gets sweepstakes at UIL contest

Friday, April 7, District IA-AAA choirs competed in the U.I.L. Choral Contest at Amarillo High School.

In order for a choir to win sweepstakes, a choir must receive a rating of I in both Concert performance and Sightreading. Choirs can receive a rating of I (superior), II (excellent), III (average), IV (poor), or V (very poor).

The Spearman High School Chorale, singing "My Johnny Is Comin' For Me" by Oliver, "Never Tell Thy Love" by Bright, and "Jubilate Deo" by Crocker, received a I in Concert and in Sightreading thereby giving them a SWEEPSTAKES trophy overall. The Spearman High School Treble Choir received a I in the Concert performance earning them a plaque for their efforts.

"These students have worked very hard toward this goal and should be commended for their efforts," noted choir director, Bill Howell. He added, "Many thanks go to Vickie Gibbs, the clinician for the choirs and to Carol Pack for accompanying them. The hard work, time and effort they spent with the choirs is greatly appreciated."

The choir will leave Thursday evening, April 13, for San Antonio where they will compete in a Music Festival this coming weekend. While there, they will have a chance to go to Sea World and other points of interest in the city.

Next month, the choir will present their Spring Concert. This concert will be held Thursday, May 11. Contest numbers will be featured along with other musical selections. The public is invited to show its support by coming to see these superior choirs in concert.

Pictured to the right are some of the members of the sweepstakes choir. Others will be pictured in a later edition of the Spearman Reporter. Those not pictured are Sally Puentes, Kathy Vanlandingham, Karla Kunselman, Rosa Ortiz, Jessica Woolley, Sonya Nitschke, Jamie Maize, Shanna DeArmond, Melissa Schumann, Melody Schumann, Jennifer Turner, Brandon Rex, Jennifer Reimer, Ted Miller, Maranda Loomis and Mechelle Graham.



Pictured are members of the sweepstakes winning Spearman High School Choir. Front row: [l-r] Shannon Baxter, Billie Jo Moore, Anna Hutchison, Shanda Graham, [middle row:] Dezi Pearson, Amy Blan, Misty Savage, Heather Loveday, [back row] Jan Crawford, Dana Barker, Suzanne Sander, and Carla Greene.



Some of the members of the award-winning choir are [front row, l-r] Jarret Swan, David Boese, Chris Kelp, Christopher Turner, Clint Patterson, Ross Jarvis, and Chris Strawn.



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Mindy Lasater, Sonya Nitschke, Joy Gafford and Suzanne Sanders go up to receive their first place

ribbons for the 400 meter relay. Staff photo

## McWhirter gets awards banquet honors at

At the annual White Violet awards banquet of the Baylor chapter of Zeta Tau Alpha held Saturday, April 8, at the Brazos Inn in Waco, Miss Kellie McWhirter of Spearman was named Most Active Pledge for the 1989 Spring pledge season.

Chosen from the group of 54 pledges, McWhirter received this honor because of her active participation in all pledge activities while working part-time and still maintaining her 4.00 grade average. During the banquet, the new initiates performed a program entitled "Sing Out." McWhirter also served as co-chairman for that program.

McWhirter is a 1987 graduate of Spearman High, and the daughter of Steve and Sheri Benton of Spearman and Lloyd McWhirter of Denver, Colo. Mr. and Mrs. Benton attended the awards banquet, and were very pleased to see Kellie receive the honor.

## Property tax relief available for veterans

Property tax relief is available for veterans with a service-connected disability if they complete a simple application at the Hansford County Appraisal District Office by May 1.

The amount of the exemption is based on the veteran's percentage of service-connected disability and can range from \$1,500 to \$3,000. Chief Appraiser, Alice Peddy, listed eligible persons:

- a disabled veteran,
- an unmarried surviving spouse of a deceased disabled veteran,
- a surviving minor child of a deceased disabled veteran, if the veteran has no surviving spouse and if the child is both under 18 and unmarried,
- a surviving spouse of a veteran killed during active duty, and
- a surviving minor child of a veteran killed during active duty, if the child is both under 18 and unmarried.

"An eligible veteran or survivor applies for this exemption only once," Peddy said. "If they haven't received it previously, they must apply by May 1 with the appraisal district."

An applicant, who must be a Texas resident, must claim the exemption on a single piece of property owned on January 1, 1989. This includes taxable property such as a home, boat, or other property.

The chief appraiser may require an applicant to provide proof of the service-connected disability, such as documentation from the Veterans Administration or the branch of the armed services in which the veteran served. Depending on the applicant, proof of

marriage, death, or age may be necessary.

Application forms and more information about specific qualifications are available from the Hansford County Appraisal District office at 709 W. 7th or by calling 659-5575.

## IRS offers "express desks" for deadline

You can meet the federal income tax deadline by mailing your return directly to the IRS Austin Service Center by April 17, and this is what the District Director of Internal Revenue in Dallas, Gary O. Booth, encourages taxpayers to do. "But there are folks who do not feel comfortable unless they come in to an IRS office and personally deliver their completed form," he said.

"For those who wait till the last day of the filing period, which is Monday, April 17, this year, we have lined up some special help," Booth said. For April 17, 1989, IRS will have "express desks" set up for the acceptance of completed returns and extensions as follows:

Amarillo at: 205 East 5th Street, Room 119, Old Post Office Bldg. 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

In addition, assistance will be provided on April 17, 1989, as follows:

Amarillo: WalMart VITA site open until 9:00 p.m. (Volunteer Income Tax Assistance - VITA)



Shannon Holton gets ready for the triple jump. She placed third in the event at the Spearman Track Meet last Saturday.

## Case worker in county

John O'Nan, case worker, is offering mental health services to residents of Hansford County. He comes to Spearman on Tuesdays and will be at the United Methodist Church. Call 435-3671 for an appointment.

## Rickey Kelley receives award from TSTI

Ricky Kelley of Spearman recently graduated with a 3.5 or better GPA after the winter quarter at Texas State Technical Institute-Amarillo with a certificate in professional truck operations.

### Birth Announcement

Scott and Marla Bullard of Virginia Beach, Virginia, are the proud parents of a baby boy, Joshua Scott Bullard arrived April 7. He was 20 3/4 inches long and weighed 8 lb. 3 oz.

Paternal grandparents are Ronnie and Vicky Bullard of Spearman. Maternal grandmother is Jimmie Harmon of Spearman. Paternal great grandparents are Don and Nina Hendricks of Spearman. Maternal great grandmother is Mary Harmon of Plemons. Paternal great grandmother is Bertha Hendricks of Deming, New Mexico.

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## Study says Texas should develop textile industry

Texas should process its own cotton, wool and mohair to enhance state jobs and revenue, according to a recent study by the Texas Agri-Business Electric Council (TABEC) and Texas A&M University.

TABEC is composed of 10 Texas investor-owned electric utilities, including Southwestern Public Service Company, and works in conjunction with Texas A&M's Agricultural Engineering Department.

A third of U.S. cotton is produced in Texas, but 92 percent of the state's crop is processed elsewhere, the study said. Thirty-seven percent of Texas's crop is sent to North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Alabama and Virginia for processing. The remaining 55 percent is exported to foreign markets.

Texas also produces almost all U.S. mohair, which is derived from Angora goats, and a fifth of all U.S. wool, according to the report.

"SPS will be using this study as an economic-development tool to provide information for those interested in developing the textile industry in our service area," said Greg Boggs, SOS agricultural consultant.

SPS serves a 52,000-square-

mile area of the South Plains and Panhandle of Texas, eastern and southeastern New Mexico, the Panhandle of Oklahoma, and southwestern Kansas.

"In Texas, we have an abundance of cotton, and 92% is sent out of state," he said.

Boggs said several textile plants are operating in Texas, but the industry has not been developed to its potential. The TABEC-A&M study, as well as other reports, suggests there is room for expansion in the textile industry in Texas, he said.

Boggs pointed out that the market value of cotton leaving the state is about 55 cents per pound. By spinning the cotton into yarn, its market value increases about \$1 per pound and another \$1 per pound when it's woven or knitted into fabric.

"Fabric is purchased for roughly \$3.50 to \$4 per pound and sold as clothing for about \$5 per pound," he said.

"This all suggests there are millions of dollars of revenue being lost to the state, not to mention a large amount of jobs that are lost when we ship our fiber elsewhere," Boggs said.

Persons wanting details of the study should call Boggs at (806) 378-2178.

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# Tax benefits, deferral for over-65 homeowners

Texas homeowners 65 and older can benefit from special provisions in the law designed to reduce the property tax bills on their homes. Tax exemptions and a tax deferral are available to help minimize the impact of rising taxes on the elderly.

### Tax Exemptions

Homestead exemptions allow a portion of the home's value to be exempt from property taxes. To qualify, the over-65 person must own and live in the homestead on January 1, whether it's a traditional house, mobile home, townhouse, or condominium, or duplex. Up to 20 acres can qualify if it's used for residential purposes. The exemption application should be filed with the appraisal district by May 1. However, homestead exemptions may be filed up to one year after taxes on the homestead were paid or became delinquent, whichever is earlier.

School districts grant a \$10,000 homestead exemption to homeowners 65 and older in addition to the \$5,000 homestead exemption they grant to all homeowners.

A taxing unit may offer a local-option homestead exemption to senior citizens. When a unit offers this exemption, at least \$3,000 of the home's value won't be taxed by that unit.

### Tax Ceiling

A special benefit for older homeowners is the tax ceiling or "freeze" that accompanies the school's \$10,000 exemption. School taxes won't be increased after the owner qualifies for the over-65 homestead exemption. However, if there's an improve-

ment added (such as a pool, patio, new room) the tax ceiling will be increased to include the taxes on the value the improvement adds to the house.

If the over-65 spouse dies and the surviving spouse is at least 55, the homestead tax ceiling on school taxes stays in effect as long as the survivor owns and continues to occupy the homestead.

### Tax Deferral

Another tax benefit for older homeowners is tax deferral. They can postpone suits to collect delinquent property taxes on their homesteads by signing a deferral affidavit at the Hansford County Appraisal District office. Homeowners at least 65 may file the affidavit.

After the form is signed and filed with the appraisal district, taxing units can't foreclose on the home of an over-65 person to collect property taxes. The protection lasts as long as the person lives in the home and claims it as his or her residence homestead.

Tax deferral only postpones paying taxes. "Penalties and interest will accumulate, along with taxes," Alice Petty said. "When the elderly taxpayer no longer owns or lives in the home, taxing units can then sue to collect all the deferred tax, penalty, and interest."

Homestead exemption forms and forms for claiming a tax deferral are available at the appraisal district office. For more information or for assistance completing any of these forms, taxpayers may contact the Hansford County Appraisal District at 709 W. 7th, Spearman or call 659-5575.



# Junior high tracksters compete

Three out of four of the junior high track teams took first place at the track meet held in Spearman last weekend. Both girls and boys seventh graders had high points out of the nine towns that were represented in the meet, and the eighth grade girls also gained the most points.

Eighth grade girls gained 163 points for first place. Stratford eighth grade girls were second with 127, followed by Sunray 53, West Texas 32, Guymon 38, Highland Park 32, Canadian 31, Pringle-Morse 28, and Waka with 1.

Jill Lusby captured first place in the high jump 4' 6", and in the 100 meter hurdles, 17.33, and a third in the long jump, 14' 9". Mary Cook had two first places. One in the triple jump 32' 1 1/2" and the other in the 800 meter run, 2:51.86. She also had a second place in the 100 meter hurdles 17.50.

Gwen Benson was first in the 1200 meter run, 4:45.82. Michelle Garnett had a second place in the triple jump, 31' 1". She also took third in the 100 meter dash, 13.84, and a fifth in the 400 meter dash, 73.84.

Lindee Bradley was second in the shot put with 28' 10". Kimbre Townsen took second in the 1200 meter run, 4:51.16 and third in the 800 meter run, 2:55.30. Shea Crawford had a fourth and a fifth place. Her fourth came in the 200 meter dash, 29.98, and the fifth in the triple jump, 30' 6".

Tracy Tigrett placed sixth in the 100 meter hurdles, 19.73. Amber Cates was sixth in the 400 meter dash, 75.16, and Holly Jarvis was sixth in the long jump, 14' 2".

The relay team of Lusby, Jarvis, Crawford, and Garnett captured first place in the 800 relay. Lusby, Pearson, Cook, and Crawford took second in the 1600 meter relay, and the 400 meter relay team took fourth.

The eighth grade boys were fourth place overall with 53 1/2 points. Stratford was first with 133, then Guymon 102 1/2. Canadian was third with 81, followed by Spearman, Sunray, West Texas, Pringle-Morse, Highland Park, and Waka.

Cody Pipkin had two first place wins for the eighth graders, one in the 800 meter run, 2:17.52 and the other in the 1200 meter run, 3:46.25. He also had a second place in the high jump, 5' 2".

Junior Tercero had a first place in the long jump, 17' 10 1/2". Tercero was fourth in the 100 meter dash, 12.56, and sixth in the 200 meter dash, 26.31.

Russell Shaver 17' 1/2" for fifth place in the long jump. Roman Arnold took sixth in the pole vault with 7' 6". And the eighth grade 400 meter relay team took fourth

place.

Seventh grade boys gained 113 total points for their first place finish. Stratford was second with 110 1/2, followed by Sunray 77, Guymon 69, West Texas 55 1/2, Canadian 38, Highland Park 31, and Waka and Pringle-Morse 0.

Victor Lopez claimed two first place wins. One in the long jump, 16' 10", and the other in the 100 meter dash, 12.77.

Cory Brown took second in the discus and the shot put. He had a throw of 113' 11" in the discus and 32' 5 1/2" in the shot put. Jason Varmon took second in the 110 meter hurdles, 20.12. He also had fifth in the 200 meter hurdles, 32.23.

Brandon Vanderburg was third place finisher in the pole vault, 7' 6", and fourth in the high jump, 4' 6". Earnesto Puentes took third in the 1200 meter run, 4:18.24.

Dee Mayfield had a fourth in the 110 hurdles, 20.69, and fifth in the pole vault, 7' 6". Cass Lasater was sixth in the 110 hurdles, 21.33, and Todd Marshall was sixth in the 400 meter dash, 68.43.

The 400 meter relay team took first place and the 1600 meter relay team was third.

The seventh grade girls had a total of 142 1/2 points for their first place finish. Canadian came in second with 96 1/2, followed by Sunray 87, Stratford 68, West Texas 50, Pringle-Morse 36, Guymon 27, Highland Park 17 and Waka 0.

The seventh grade girls had three relay teams that placed first. The 400 relay had a time of 57.43. The 800 relay team members were

## Social Security representative to be in area

A representative of the Pampa Social Security office will be in Spearman on Thursday, April 13 from 10 to 11:30 a.m. to assist individuals with Social Security matters.

Social representatives also wish to remind the public that most Social Security matters can be handled over the telephone. The toll-free number to call is 1-800-2345-SSA.

## Celebration plans begin

Plans are being made for the best Hansford County Celebration yet, as committee members prepare for the June 2, 3 and 4 Centennial Celebration. Tickets are on sale now for a combination of many events. Events included on the combination ticket are two night rodeo performances; a street dance; barbeque dinner; breakfast; and Joe Mack Cherry; Country Cookin' and Gary P Nunn and the Sons of the Bunkhouse performances. The combination ticket for all events sells for \$20 for adults and \$10 for children 13-years and under.

Organizers of the events encourage members of the community to get involved with the plans for the Centennial Celebration, and help by purchasing tickets early. The following committee members may be contacted for tickets; Loretto Cook, Linda Butt, Randy and Donna Hendrickson, Hazel Shieldknight, Pat Dear, R.L. McFarlin, and George Young.

# Centennial parade plans underway

Everyone interested is encouraged to be a member of the Hansford County Parade Band. Any age person from child to Hansford County Centennial Parade committee members are trying to organize a band for the celebration. Anyone interested in participating in the band can call Charolette Jackson at 659-2867 or 659-2767 or Joe Vanderburg at 659-2330 or 659-2758.

# SJH choir performs at choir contest

The Spearman Junior High Choir competed at the District I Choir Contest on Thursday, April 6.

They performed "Lamb of God" by Decius/Pooler, "Carol For A King" by Crocker, and "Charlotte-Town" by Crocker. The Junior High Choir received a II in concert and a III in Sight-reading. The choir performed very well considering the fact that only one Junior High Treble Choir was able to win SWEEPSTAKES this year.

Choir director Bill Howell commented, "I would like to extend thanks to Carolyn Taylor for rehearsing with the choir and to Linda Cummings for rehearsing and accompanying the choir to Contest." He continued, "Also a big Thank You goes to the parents for supporting the music programs at our schools. And the choir did a super job on stage."

This choir will perform in the Spring Choir Concert that will be held on May 11 in the High School Auditorium. The public is invited to come and hear this fine choir.



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Education must provide tomorrow's citizens with the skills to function in the twenty-first century. The role of public education has become more and more involved through the years. The days of the "three-R's" as major goals are over. That is not to say that I believe that one should not master the skills of reading, writing, and arithmetic, but education today, like the world it reflects, is extremely complex.

My name is Linda H. Jarvis and I am a candidate for Spearman School Board. I would like to take this opportunity to share with you my philosophy dealing with the education of the young people of this community.

There are many guidelines and requirements of education that are placed upon the school district by law. But, we have the unique opportunity to work within these guidelines, and because our community is small and we are dealing with one school system, we can make our policy more personal. The members of the board have a great deal of discretion in the philosophy that the school system develops. This policy should project the educational goals and objectives of the community, based on the needs and values of the community.

Teachers and administrators of today have a great burden placed upon them. Children are spending more and more time in school and school related activities. We are putting our children on buses before 8:00 or taking them to school shortly after and they arrive home at 4:00 or later. Because our children are spending more time at school they are more and more influenced by the school system. The school system has been forced into co-parenting our children. This may not be the school's choice, but examples are followed and their responsibilities are no longer just learning in the classroom. Attitudes are learned about honesty, respect for others, self-esteem, and good citizenship. We owe our teachers a great deal of respect for undertaking this job. We should also support them in every way that we can. After all, most of them could be making a better living in other sectors of society. Teachers teach because they love and are truly concerned with the education of children.

We need to teach our children academics and prepare those for college that are college bound. We need to teach the students that choose to go to technical schools that their choices are of equal value to our society. We need to teach those who go into service and labor jobs that they too are crucial to the survival of our society. Pride in what we are and what we do is not to be based on "what we are, or what we do." Instead, it should be based on how we do our job. Out of this knowledge grows good citizens who respect and understand others' rights, have a respect for law and become productive. In short, education prepares children for life. We must have the capability to learn and grow in competence.

A school board member should be aware of responsibilities to the district. They are responsible for stating educational philosophy, goals, and objectives for the community and the future needs of the children therein. Schools have many daily requirements, just like running any other business, but the quality of education provided for the children in our community should be the first priority.

Spearman has one of the best school systems in the state. Our students go on to do well in all aspects of society. We are fortunate to have quality teachers, and administrators who truly care about youth. I would appreciate your support in the upcoming election to give me the opportunity to serve our community as a school board member. As the 4-H'ers pledge I would like to work and serve with the goal "TO MAKE THE BEST BETTER."

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marker commemorating the landing of Charles Lindbergh in a field one mile south of Spearman, near the home of William J. Whitsons, on Sept. 24, 1934.

The Historical Commission has sent all of the necessary paperwork for obtaining the marker to the State Historical Commission. Now, the Hansford County Commission needs approximately \$200 additional funds to obtain the marker. The total cost of the marker is about \$650 and the Commission has already obtained all but \$200 of that amount.

Donations may be sent to Clementine Renner, secretary/treasurer of the Hansford County Historical Commission, 822 S. Evans, Spearman, Tx. 79081.

Those citizens donating to the cost of the marker since last reports include: Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Shieldknight, Mrs. P.A. Lyon, Jr., Rubyjo Wilbanks, and G.W. Robinson.

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This Lynxette leaps for a ribbon in the triple jump event last Saturday at the Spearman Track Meet.

## Low-interest mortgage money available to first time homebuyers

The Texas Housing Agency, along with officials from Fannie Mae (Federal National Mortgage Association), announced recently the State of Texas will make available \$119 million in home mortgage loans to qualified first-time homebuyers at interest rates as low as 8 percent.

The mortgage money, which was derived from a special sale of tax-exempt mortgage revenue bonds, will be offered on a first-come, first-served basis to low- and moderate-income households beginning April 4. A portion of the funds carrying the lowest interest rate will be reserved for households purchasing homes priced \$40,000 or less.

"On behalf of Governor Clements, I take pleasure in announcing this home purchase assistance plan for two reasons," Ken DeJarnett, Chairman of the Texas Housing Agency, said in a news conference. "First of all, this money will revive the dream of homeownership for a lot of working class families who are struggling to provide a decent living and future for their children. When compared with market interest rates of 10 1/2 or 11 percent today, a family who is able to obtain a below-market loan of 8 percent can expect to save between \$26,392 to \$44,495 in interest savings over the life of the loan."

"Secondly, this program represents an important benchmark

in Texas' economic recovery. The majority of the bonds sold to raise capital for this program were bought by a major national investor from outside the state. The purchase by Fannie Mae, the nation's largest investor in home mortgages, of \$72 million in bonds is another sign of growing confidence in the economic soundness of our state," DeJarnett said.

DeJarnett said that the sale of a large portion of the bonds to Fannie Mae enabled the Agency to save on the cost of marketing and issuing the bonds. This savings was passed on the first-time homebuyers in the form of lower interest rates.

"Fannie Mae's purchase of these bonds is an important example of our work as the USA's Housing Partner," said Judy Dedmon, Senior Vice President, in the southwest regional office of Fannie Mae. "During our first 50 years of business, we have helped nearly 10 million American families achieve homeownership."

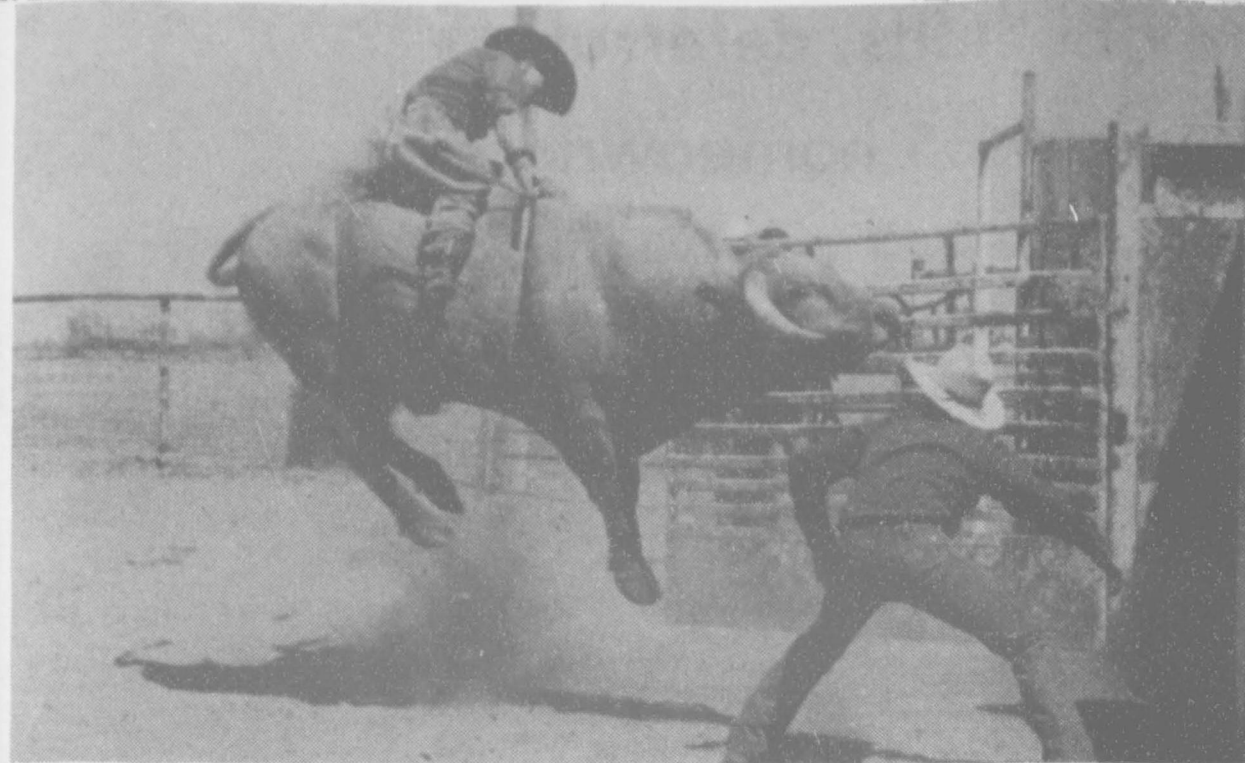
The Texas Housing Agency plans to distribute the mortgage money widely across the state in both urban and rural areas. This geographic dispersion of the funds was one of the reasons Fannie Mae viewed the program as an attractive investment.

In order to apply for a loan under this financing program, a buyer must select a home and present a copy of the sales

contract to one of 143 participating private sector lending offices around the state. The buyer will also be expected to supply the lender with copies of his or her tax returns for the previous three years, income and credit information, and a fee to cover the cost of loan processing.

A portion of the funds carry an interest rate of 8 percent and are reserved for lower-priced homes or foreclosed properties. The balance of the funds are available at 9.25 percent.

"This unique program will create opportunities for homeownership among lower-income



## Over 200 compete at PSU rodeo

Over 200 contestants from 19 schools in the Central Plains Region, which covers all of Kansas and Oklahoma, are expected to compete in the PSU rodeo April 14, 15, and 16.

As of the end of March, PSU had contestants rank in the Regional top ten in the following events: Tom Peterson, barebacks; Craig Latham, saddle broncs;

renters who never dreamed they were in a position to afford a home," DeJarnett said. "If a family is paying \$275-\$300 a month rent and has a stable job and few debts, we strongly encourage them to apply for a loan under this program."

Homebuyers may obtain additional information and a list of participating lenders by contacting the Texas Housing Agency at (512) 472-7500.

Kyle Elwood and Rocky Patterson, calf roping; Joe Doherty, Rocky Patterson, Jason Trent, Tom Peterson, and Kyle Elwood, team roping; and Tom Peterson in men's all around. The PSU team placed second in the nation at last summer's college National Finals Rodeo.

There will be a PSU sponsored team roping in conjunction with the rodeo on Saturday, April 15, at

2:00 P.M. at the Dean Crosby Arena in Texhoma.

Tickets are available on campus from PSU rodeo club members and will also be available at the gate. Prices are \$3 for adults and \$1.50 for students. Children under 8 will be admitted free with an adult.

PERFORMANCES: April 14, 15 at 7:30; April 16, at 1:30, at Pioneer Stadium, in Guymon.

## Party honors Bullard, Gammill: "twin cousins"

A M & M birthday party caught two 18-year-olds by complete surprise on Saturday night, Mar. 25. Honorees were: Miss Melissa Bullard of Spearman and Mr. Matt Gammill of Brownwood. The two are cousins, born only hours apart.

Matt and his parents, O.E. and Penny Gammill, brother Seth, and special friend, Miss Marianna Nordvall of Oslo, Norway, had spent a week in Colorado on a ski trip. Returning home, they stopped for a visit with grandparents, Johnny and Joan Gaither.

Thinking they needed more room for dinner because a few relatives were coming to visit, Matt accompanied his family to the County Barn. Arriving there at the same time as his cousin, Melissa, they entered together. They were confronted by a large sign, "Welcome to our M & M Party," and 56 friends and relatives cheering "Happy Birthday, Matt and Melissa."

The two 18-year-olds seemed speechless. Melissa thought she was on her way to Borger to go skating with Chris Taylor and was just stopping by to say 'hello' to Matt and Seth.

The birthday tables were covered with a pink cloth and picture of Melissa and a blue cloth and picture of Matt. Many gifts, cards and gifts of money adorned the

tables. The nine tables were decorated with streamers, M & M's, and filled Easter baskets made by Vicky Bullard.

After eating dinner and playing bingo, guests were entertained by the music of Raymond Tindell and Mason Tindell on the guitars and Otho Gammill on the mandolin.

Dancing, ping-pong and horseshoes were also a part of the festivities.

Out of town guests included: Calvin and Geneva Babitske and son Jason of Higgins; Otho and Connie Gammill of Gruver; Frank, Rae and LaDonna Karr of Farnsworth; Joe, Katy, Tracy and Jodi Robinson of Gruver; Joe and Florene Barnett of Stinnett; O.E. and Penny and Seth Gammill of Brownwood; Marianna Nordvall of Oslo Norway and Joyce Armstrong of Higgins.

## NEWSWORTHY TRENDS

### Veterans And The Graying Of America

Of all the individuals in the past two thousand years who have lived beyond 65, half are alive today. It's estimated the number of Americans aged 65 and over is growing at twice the rate of the general population. As the number of elderly continues to grow—including the number of elderly veterans—meeting their long-term health needs presents a profound challenge to our present system.


By the year 2000, two-thirds of all American males over 65 will be veterans. The veteran population is aging much more rapidly than the population as a whole. By the year 2010, we can expect veterans over 65 to number more than 12 million. To ensure that these older Americans who have served their country get all the health benefits they deserve, many agree the Veteran Administration's (VA) medical program must be prepared for increased, diversified and a more costly demand for services. The U.S. Congress must also be prepared to address this challenge and provide



Concerned citizens are working to help see our older veterans get the health care they need.


adequate funding so the VA can meet its mandated responsibility.

This and other challenges are being faced with help from the Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW), the fastest growing major veterans organization. An informative booklet about how the VFW plans to face these and other challenges is available free by writing to: Veterans of Foreign Wars, National Headquarters, Broadway at 34th Street, Kansas City, MO 64111.



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## NEWS OF HEALTH

### Handling High Blood Pressure

You can't cure high blood pressure, but you can control it with medication. Provided you take the correct dosage, that is. But prescribed brand drugs are so expensive that many of America's 60 million hypertensives can't afford them. So they cut back on dosage.

And, unwittingly, make matters worse. Says Dr. Anita Herdan, assistant professor of medicine at Cornell University Medical College, "Many elderly and patients on fixed incomes try to save money by skipping medication. This is because hypertension doesn't always have symptoms. But they're placing themselves at grave risk of premature stroke, and serious cardiovascular and kidney disease."

The situation is not hopeless. Dr. Herdan urges doctors to prescribe a less costly generic hypertension medication whenever possible. "Generic drugs are the equivalent of their brand-name counterparts. They're equally safe and effective," she says. "They are approved by the Food and Drug Administration and tested constantly."

According to Bill Haddad, Chairman of the Generic Pharmaceutical Industry Association, "Generics are as safe and effective as trade-name drugs. There's no question that the availability of affordable generic drugs, such as Schein's generic form of Dyazide\*, is of benefit to millions suffering from high blood pressure."

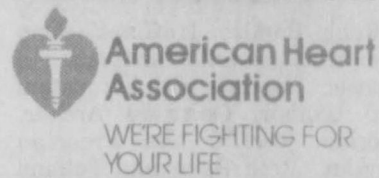
Groups representing older Americans agree. The National Council of Senior Citizens, representing 4.5 million people over age 60, fully support the use of generic drugs. Since older Americans consume 30 percent of the nation's prescription drugs, generics represent a real cost-savings to older Americans, who often have to choose between filling prescriptions and paying other bills. For more information on generic drugs write: Dept. MR, Schein Pharmaceutical, Inc., 26 Harbor Park Drive, Port Washington, NY 11050.

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### Legal Notices

#### LEGAL NOTICE

Hansford County will receive bids until 4:00 p.m., Friday, April 21, 1989 on one used tractor for Precinct #1. Bids will be opened April 24, 1989 at the regular meeting of the Commissioners' Court.

Specifications are available at the County Judge's office or the County Auditor's office in Hansford County Courthouse. The Court reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids.

Roy L. McClellan  
Hansford County Judge  
S24-2tc T-only

#### NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Sealed bids for the purchase of a heavy-duty self-propelled sanitary landfill compactor will be received by the City of Spearman, Texas, at the office of the City Manager up until 2:00 p.m. May 12, 1989, 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.

Specifications and bidding documents may be secured from the office of the City Manager, P.O. Box 37, Spearman, Texas 79081.

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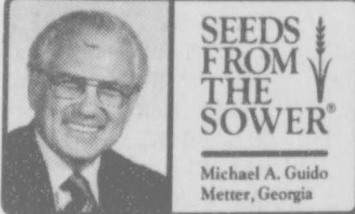
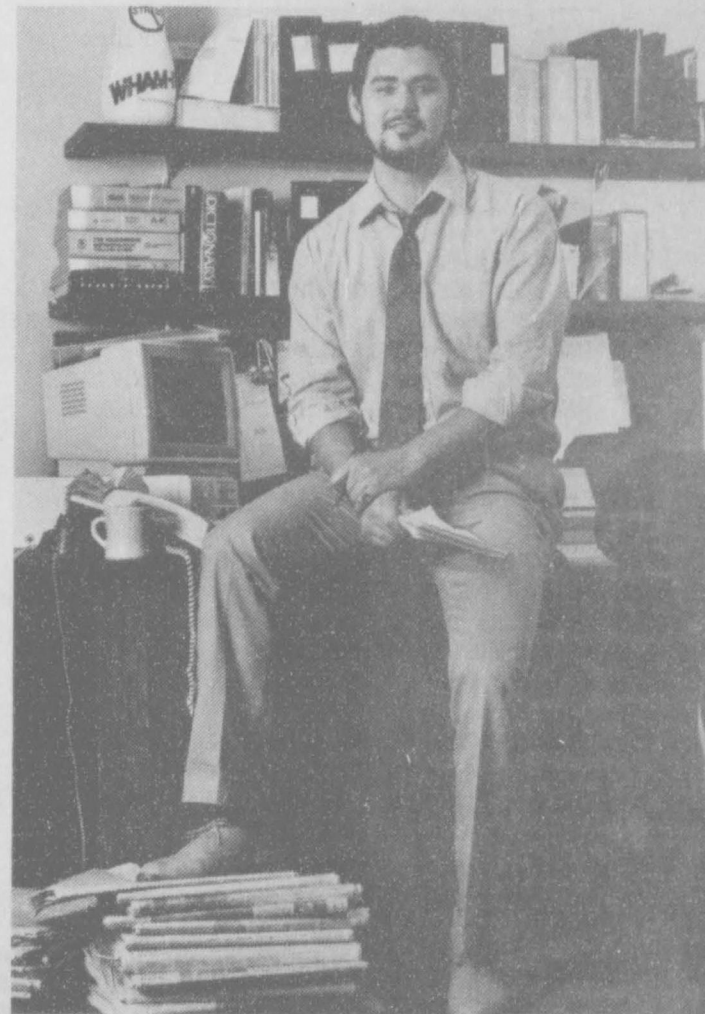
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# Among the Neighbors

by Helen Fisher

The sting of their latest birth-days was lessened somewhat for Raymond Kirk and W.E. Sparks when friends gathered to help them celebrate. Also honored was Olive Pendergraft though her observance was belated.

Enjoying a dinner at Pizza Hut last Wednesday night were Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Kirk, Mr. and Mrs. W.E. Sparks, Mr. and Mrs. Phil Jenkins, Darlene Howell, Maudine Patterson, Wesley Jenkins, and Mr. and Mrs. Owen Pendergraft.

Magda and Wesley Garnett are back at home after a two weeks visit in Laurel, Miss. They were guests of their daughter, Lynne and Andy Riley. Of course grandchildren Lisa and Erin also entertained them.

The Garnetts were so impressed when the more than 100 varieties of plants, trees and shrubs burst into bloom, almost simultaneously. The unimaginably colorful scene will long be in their memories.

Reba Barkley Huffines came over from Amarillo and spent a pleasant few days with her sisters and brother, Gertrude Archer, Virginia Rentfro and Freeman Barkley. Both Reba and Johnny are retired now, but he was unable to come.

Millard Tucker had looked forward to his spring fishing trip all winter, so left the 1st of April and met his brother, Wilburn Tucker, at White River near Ralls. Unfortunately the weather turned very cold and windy, so he cut the trip short and returned.

Mr. and Mrs. Enzie Copeland joined her sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Osborne of Perryton, at Farnsworth for a birthday dinner for their brother Buster Brown. It was in the home of Buster and Ruby Ruth in

Farnsworth. Beth and Ray Phelps returned recently from a long weekend with their son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Howell Phelps and Todd in Austin. While there, they all drove to San Antonio and enjoyed Sea World and other places of interest.

This past Sunday, the Phelps and Ruth Bryan attended the 40 wedding anniversary of a Wilbanks cousin, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Vernon in Amarillo. Their sisters, Mary Hazlewood of Fort Worth and Julia and Raymond Billingsley of Lubbock joined them.

Results of the Tri-State High School Rodeo held in Perryton on Saturday included these placements: Clint Patterson in Ribbon Roping; Clint DeArmond - Dwight Thomas - Team Roping; Marty McCloy and Randy McIntire - Team Roping; Kelly McCloy - Break-Away Roping and Barrells.

Hansford County folk are fortunate in having the capable Juanita Pierce giving of her time and effort to acquiring and updating maps of the old cemeteries in the area. This is one of the many projects of the Historical Committee. Juanita, being very knowledgeable about Hansford County history, was tapped for the duty.

Owen and Olive Pendergraft joined Mrs. Vera Helen Gray of Ulysses at Tyrone on Friday and spent the night with her mother, Mrs. Lillian Ottaway. On Saturday they all went to Cimarron, Kan. for a dinner and meeting with the Good Sam Camper group. It was held in the very interesting historical old hotel there, with 31 members present.

On the return trip they stopped in Liberal for dinner with old friends, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Men- Ora Lee Blackburn spent a few

days last week in Crowell visiting Gertrude Jones and Bob Parris. While there they drove to Wichita Falls to see Mary Catherine Parris. Her condition remains unchanged.

Gertrude and Bob send regards to all their friends in Spearman.

Ora Lee had a pleasant surprise a few days later when her nephew, Billy Jack Glover, paid her an unexpected visit. Other relatives and old friends enjoyed reminiscing with him.

Billy Jack is retired but his wife Sandra, is still teaching and was a judge at the music contests held in Amarillo. The Glovers live in Austin.

Patients admitted to Hansford Hospital since April 4 were: Addie Hepler, Janis McWilliams, Ivan Gilbert, H.C. Cleveland, Paul McLaughlin, Rickey McClamen, all of Borger; Stephen McKinney, Fritch; Gary Evans, Stinnett; Phil Blanks, Phillips; Flossie Boyd, Gruver; John Antalok, Robert Skinner, Ray Converse, Jeffie Gainey, Carrie Burton, Christopher Cudd, Isaac Willingham all of Spearman.

The first week of April is over and with it the first week of baseball season as it has been for more than 100 years. Out of the several thousand living in Spearman, apparently there is one, only one, supporter of the Texas Rangers. Hesitantly, this one mumbles hopefully that now with the legendary Nolan Ryan, who holds world records for practically every pitching feat, now on the Ranger line-up, there is a faint touch of optimism-and advises--keep tuned.

The opening game broke all attendance records with more than 40,000 fans present to see Tom Landry throw the first pitch. He was given a thunderous ovation-discreetly, the Arkansas bug-stompers were in D.C.



PETE FISHER

## Pete Fisher honored at stockholders meeting

At a recent stockholders meeting, Affiliated Foods Inc., of Amarillo, as an expression of appreciation for twenty nine years of dedicated and continuous service, awarded to R.C. (Pete) Fisher the title of Director Emeritus. Mr. Fisher had also received the honor of President Emeritus several years earlier.

Over the years, Fisher has served as President and Director as well as a Founding Stockholder of several companies, Affiliated Finance Inc., Tri-State Baking Company, Affiliated Mercantile, and Thriftway Inc., all of

Amarillo. At present, he still serves as a Director of Tri-State Baking Company, Bakers of Tendercrust bread.

Affiliated Foods is the largest retailer-owned grocery company from West Texas to the west coast area, serving over five hundred independent grocers in West Texas, Oklahoma, Colorado and New Mexico. During his years as Director, Fisher has participated in the growth of this company from a small dry grocery operation with less than twenty five accounts to a complete full service conglomerate affording the total needs of today's supermarkets.



Before about 1800, there were no separately designed shoes for right and left feet.

## Six ways to reduce allergies

The fall allergy season is in full bloom for the approximately 33 million Americans who suffer from allergies or asthma.

But allergies don't just come from the outside, according to Research Products Corporation, the maker of Space-Gard air cleaners. Doctors have recently come to blame the house dust mite for a lot of common allergies. It used to be thought these mites lived only in warm, humid climates, but researchers are now finding them throughout the country.

House dust mites grow especially well in carpeted areas where moisture is present, such as in finished, carpeted basements and areas with damp floors. Vacuuming doesn't get rid of them, according to researchers. In fact, it may just spread them around the house. What to do? Here are some suggestions for coping with allergies from inside and outside sources:

- Eliminate carpets in basements or other damp areas. Consider replacing them with loose rugs that can be removed and thoroughly cleaned and dried.
  - Your mattress and box spring are another favorite habitat for house dust mites. Cover them in plastic.
  - Reduce accumulated dust in your drapes and curtains by putting them in your clothes dryer on the fluff cycle.
  - If you have pets in the house, keep them out of your sleeping areas. Allergies and asthma often are more troublesome at night.
  - Consider central air conditioning for your home. Air conditioners aren't very efficient at filtering air, but they do allow you to close up your house and still stay comfortable. Keeping the house closed keeps outside allergens out.
  - Add a high efficiency, non-electronic air cleaner to your heating and cooling system. A high efficiency air cleaner removes up to 99 percent of dust and pollen and doesn't produce ozone, which can aggravate breathing problems.
- If serious allergy or asthma problems persist, see your doctor for advice. An air cleaner prescribed by your doctor for legitimate medical reasons may be tax-deductible.

# AGCO TO REBATE \$3,700.00

Once again AGCO of Spearman, Inc. would like to congratulate all of the Hansford County Stock Show exhibitors. This year at AGCO

we will be making a rebate of \$3,700.00 to all the exhibitors who purchased our feed for their stock show animals. With the rebate we are giving this year it makes AGCO a total over five years of

\$20,150.00 given back to the kids of Hansford County who have participated in the stock show. Congratulations to all who entered this years show!

### HANSFORD COUNTY SHOW

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#### LAMB EXHIBITORS

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- HOLLY VENNEMAN - 2nd PLACE MARKET
- WENDELL RALSTON - 3rd PLACE CROSS
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- JASON HARNISH - 4th PLACE CROSS
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- LANCE HARNISH - 8th PLACE MARKET
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- SHANE HARNISH - 11th PLACE CROSS
- BEVERLY BURTON - 12th PLACE CROSS
- CARLA GREENE - 12th PLACE MARKET
- TOMMI LATTA - RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION
- JEREMY HUNTER - 1st PLACE CROSS
- KIM VENNEMAN - 2nd PLACE MARKET
- TRACY MARTIN - 3rd PLACE CROSS
- KIM BOONE - 4th PLACE DORSETT
- HASKELL GARRETT - 4th PLACE CROSS
- PAT HUNTER - 4th PLACE MARKET
- NORMA HINOJOS - 5th PLACE CROSS
- JASON GARRETT - 6th PLACE CROSS

- CARRIE BURTON - 7th PLACE DORSETT
- STACY GARDINER - 7th PLACE CROSS
- MICHELLE COOK - 8th PLACE MARKET
- ROBBI MATHEWS - 9th PLACE CROSS
- KEITH CLARK - 10th PLACE CROSS
- CODY McLEOD - 11th PLACE MARKET
- RAMON HINOJOS - 12th PLACE CROSS
- RYAN MATHEWS - 14th PLACE MARKET

- JUSTIN CARTEL - 2nd PLACE HAMP
- MATT EAKIN - 2nd PLACE CROSS
- KIKI CARTEL - 2nd PLACE CROSS
- WESLYN MAUPIN - 3rd PLACE DUROC
- WENDELL RALSTON - 3rd PLACE HAMP
- CLINT DeARMOND - 3rd PLACE SPOT
- KIM BOONE - 3rd PLACE CROSS
- DERRICK BURNETT - 4th PLACE DUROC
- SHANE HARNISH - 4th PLACE HAMP
- KEITH CLARK - 4th PLACE CROSS
- TRACI MARTIN - 4th PLACE CROSS
- TEK FERGUSON - 5th PLACE HAMP
- JEFF WAGNER - 5th PLACE CROSS
- JAMIE SUTTON - EXHIBITOR
- BEVERLY BURTON - EXHIBITOR
- JOY GAFFORD - EXHIBITOR
- MISHA DAVIS - EXHIBITOR
- JACE DANSON - EXHIBITOR
- TRACY CRAWFORD - EXHIBITOR
- MONTY EAKIN - EXHIBITOR
- LANCE HARNISH - EXHIBITOR
- MARK EAKIN - EXHIBITOR
- ADRIAN GARZA - EXHIBITOR
- SARA SANDERS - EXHIBITOR
- TARA BUTT - EXHIBITOR
- CARLA BURTON - EXHIBITOR
- MARK BROWN - EXHIBITOR

- BROOKS BECK - 2nd PLACE HAMP
- BARRY BECK - 2nd PLACE CROSS
- JAMI RALSTON - 3rd PLACE CHESTER
- TOMMI LATTA - 3rd PLACE DUROC
- LANA MARTIN - 3rd PLACE HAMP
- WYLEE MAUPIN - 3rd PLACE YORK
- SHANNA DeARMOND - 3rd PLACE CROSS
- KIMBERLY WAGNER - 4th PLACE DUROC
- DALLAS TROSPER - 4th PLACE HAMP
- KATRINA BRATTON - 4th PLACE CROSS
- WYNN MAUPIN - 4th PLACE CROSS
- RANDI RENNER - 5th PLACE HAMP
- MARTIN SANDERS - 6th PLACE YORK
- RONDA RENNER - EXHIBITOR
- RAMON HINOJOS - EXHIBITOR
- CARLA GREENE - EXHIBITOR
- MATT GAFFORD - EXHIBITOR
- TROY BROWN - EXHIBITOR
- ROBBI MATHEWS - EXHIBITOR
- KELLY BOONE - EXHIBITOR
- RYAN MATHEWS - EXHIBITOR
- PAT SHIELDS - EXHIBITOR
- JASON HARNISH - EXHIBITOR
- CARRIE BURTON - EXHIBITOR
- STUART RIGGINS - EXHIBITOR
- KACEE SMITH - EXHIBITOR
- CODY McLEOD - EXHIBITOR

#### SWINE EXHIBITORS

- JENNIFER BURNAM - GRAND CHAMPION
- SUMNER RIGGINS - 1st PLACE CHESTER BREED CHAMPION
- KIM VENNEMAN - 1st PLACE DUROC
- GRANT ODOM - 1st PLACE HAMP
- PAT HUNTER - 1st PLACE RES. CROSS BREED CHAMPION
- PAUL TROSPER - 2nd PLACE RES. SPOT BREED CHAMPION
- JERYME HUNTER - 1st PLACE CROSS

- LANCE SPARKS - RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION
- HOLLY VENNEMAN - 1st PLACE DUROC BREED CHAMPION
- JILL ODOM - 1st PLACE HAMP
- BRANDON SUTTON - 1st PLACE BREED CHAMPION SPOT
- BRENT WAGNER - 2nd PLACE RES. HAMP BREED CHAMPION
- CANDICE PIPKIN - 1st PLACE CROSS
- KENT ODOM - 2nd PLACE DUROC

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- CECILIA HILL, OFFICE MGR.
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- MARTIN VELA, FEED MILL
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- LADD GAFFORD, ELEVATOR MGR.
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