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Help Available for Small Business Disaster Coverage

Small business owners can apply for US Small Business Administration Pre-Disaster Mitigation loans to cover the costs of protecting their business properly from damages caused by future disasters.

The Pre-Disaster Mitigation loan Program is a two-year pilot program - available during fiscal years 2003 and 2004 - and supports the goals of the Federal Emergency Management Agency's disaster mitigation program. Small businesses may borrow up to \$50,000 to protect their property by taking specific measures to prevent, or mitigate, disaster damage.

Under the pilot program applications can be accepted during the application - filing period only, which begins June 16 and ends July 16, 2003. The interest rate is fixed at 2.953 percent, with loan terms up to a maximum of 30 years.

To download an application and get more information about the Pre-Disaster mitigation Loan Program, visit Web site www.sba.gov/disaster. Applicants can also call 1-800-388-6303 or TDD 817-267-4688 for the hearing impaired.

Beef Cattle Short Course Hosting Breeding Conference

What cattle breed types are best? What type of bull should producers breed their cows to? What type of calf brings the most money? Two nationally-known animal scientists, Dr. Bill Turner and Dr. Larry Cundiff, will answer these questions at the 49th annual Beef Cattle Short Course.

The short course is Aug. 4-6 at the Texas A&M University Center and Rudder Tower in College Station.

"Each year at the short course, producers want to know what breeds work best for their cattle operation," said Dr. Larry Boleman, associate head for the department of animal science at Texas A&M.

"This year we will give producers in-depth training on breeds, genetics and selection at this special session of the short course."

On August 5, Cundiff, research leader in genetics at the U.S. Department of Agriculture Meat Animal Research Center in Clay Center, Neb., will be the keynote speaker at the second general session, "Genetics, Breed Types and Breeding Programs for Profitable Beef Production."

Turner, professor emeritus at Texas A&M, will discuss, "Connecting the Cow Herd to the Carcass: Balancing Production, Environment and the Market Place."

Boleman said Cundiff's and Turner's sessions would answer many questions beef producers have concerning breeding programs and profitability.

"These are exciting but critical times for beef production," Boleman said.

"All producers are going to have to be better informed and totally accountable, and that is why the Texas A&M beef cattle short course is one of the most important programs on management and issues that beef producers will ever attend."

The short course also will feature the popular "Cattlemen's College," where participants can choose workshops and topics from approximately 15 subjects.

Registration is \$110 per participant, and it includes educational materials, a copy of the proceedings, trade show admittance, tickets to the prime rib dinner and three additional meals, and refreshments.

Participants may register online at <http://animalscience-extension.tamu.edu> or contact Boleman's office at (979) 845-6931.

Texas Second on Top 10 List for Heritage Tourism



As the second most visited state by historic and cultural travelers, Texas is paving the way for heritage tourism and the Texas Historical Commission (THC) is at the helm. A new study from the Travel Industry Association of America and Smithsonian magazine lists Texas just behind California as a top destination for cultural, arts, historic and heritage activities.

"Today's travelers want to discover their heritage

and experience Texas history firsthand," said Larry Oaks, executive director of the THC. "We encourage tourists to venture off the beaten path, to rural communities full of history, and in the process stimulate small town economies."

The Texas Heritage Trails Program, a main THC initiative, uses scenic driving trails to highlight historic sites. It increases visitation to cultural and heritage sites, revitalizes local economies through regional marketing and heightens awareness of the importance of historic preservation to tourism.

The 2003 Historic/Cultural Traveler reports 81 percent of U.S. adults who traveled in the past year are considered historical or cultural travelers. These travelers included historical or cultural activities on almost 217 million, one-person trips last year, up 13 percent from 192 million in 1996.

An increase in heritage travelers results in more money circulated back into the Texas economy. Heritage travelers spend more per trip than non-heritage travelers, averaging \$623 versus \$457, excluding cost of transportation, and they stay longer and pay for lodging more often than those staying with family and friends.

The THC offers seven free travel guides highlighting Texas' rich and unique heritage. To request free copies, call 512/463-6254 or visit www.thc.state.tx.us/travel.

The Texas Historical Commission is the state agency for historic preservation. The agency administers a variety of programs to preserve the archeological, historical and cultural resources of Texas.

Helping Texans & Tourists Find Their Destination

A big challenge for smaller tourism/recreation businesses is getting the word out, especially when it involves the Internet.

"If you do a search using conventional Web search engines, you are likely not going to find these smaller businesses," said Dr. Andy Skadberg, a recreation, park and tourism sciences specialist with Texas Cooperative Extension. "They have this challenge to get the word out. So, the question is, how do we help people find them

and take the time to check them out?"

Texas INFRONT, available online at <http://survey.tamu.edu/texasinfront/>, is an online database of nature-based tourism/recreation businesses in Texas. Users can search for a business by keyword, services category, or find out what's offered by travel region or county.

For example, if you're looking for an activity in the Big Bend

region, you can choose to search by accommodations, activities, (nature and outdoor recreation, hunting opportunities, etc.) or any combination of these. Click the submit button, and a listing will appear within seconds.

"We want to help visitors find places where they can experience the 'best of Texas' - businesses offering experiences that reflect the natural and cultural diversity of the state," Skadberg said. "Some people might be looking for a place to do some bird watching or a ranch that offers horseback riding. We want to be their guide and help them find where they can do their favorite activity."

Every "nature/heritage tourism" or outdoor recreation business should get listed in Texas INFRONT, Skadberg said. They can highlight the activities and services they offer by filling out the short business submission form. The listing is free.

"If you were to search long enough using conventional search engines you might be able to find that 'special' business, but the likelihood is small," Skadberg said. "Nobody is really pointing to them directly. What we're doing is utilizing the incredible power of the Internet and combining that with an online database. We're providing new doorways to businesses that need help getting the word out."

Texas INFRONT is part of a "suite" of resources available on the Web at the Texas Nature Tourism Information Center, located at <http://naturetourism.tamu.edu>.

The Web site was established to help grow nature tourism in Texas and is designed to be a central clearinghouse of information, resources and assistance, Skadberg said. Listed on the Web site are links related to outdoor recreation activities, marketing, financial analysis and more - all designed to help landowners, communities and businesses with nature tourism development.

For more information about Skadberg's tourism research and related Extension projects, click on <http://naturetourism.tamu.edu>.

Spearman Police To Crack Down On Underage Drivers

At 15 years of age, you can receive a permit to drive a car. The permit requires you to have a person 21 years of age or older with you in the car. The permit is not a license to drive by yourself.

At age 16, you can receive a provisional drivers license if you have had a valid permit for six months. Then for six months with your provisional license, you cannot drive between the hours of midnight and 5:00 a.m. Also during that six months, you can only have one person under 21 years of age other than a family member in the car with you at a time. You have to renew a provisional license every year until you turn 18. At that time, you can get your regular drivers license.

These laws were put into effect to protect the people of this state. Insurance companies will not cover unlicensed drivers. Underage drivers do not have the experience to make the decisions necessary when faced with adverse conditions.

The Spearman Police Department has been battling with the underage driving problem for a long time. Just last week there were two hit and run accidents involving underage drivers. They had an accident, and they left the scene because they did not know what to do, and they were afraid.

Many times we do not know the driver of a vehicle does not have a drivers license, however, when we are aware that they are driving without a license, we have the authority to pull them over. Parents can also be held accountable for allowing their children to drive and can be written a citation for that offense. The allowing their children to drive and can be written a citation for that offense.

The Spearman Police Department is making a concentrated effort to stop underage driving not only because it is the law, but for the safety of our children and other drivers on the road.

Driving without a drivers license is a Class C misdemeanor and can carry a fine of up to \$500.00.

Three-Day Sales Tax Holiday Nears

A Message from Carole Keeton Strayhorn

Dear Taxpayer:

This year's sales tax holiday for clothing and footwear begins at 12:01 a.m. on Friday, August 1, and ends at midnight on Sunday, August 3. The tax break is expected to save Texas consumers millions in state and local sales taxes. This is one time hard-working Texans can keep their money in their pockets for their families' priorities.

I have been a strong advocate for the sales tax holiday since its inception and am pleased to do my part to ensure its success. I have enclosed a list of items for a quick reference and a flyer you can post in a prominent place in your store in advance of the tax holiday.

The list cannot include every possible item that qualifies for the exemption. If you have questions about items not shown here, please call my office at 1-800-252-5555.

Here are some highlights about the sales tax holiday:

* The tax holiday occurs every year on the first Friday, Saturday, and Sunday of August. Qualifying items are exempt from state sales taxes, but exemption from local sales tax is up to individual cities. This year, since no cities opted out of the holiday, qualifying items will be fully exempt from tax throughout Texas.

* Most clothing and footwear priced at less than \$100 will be exempt from sales tax. Customers will receive the break on individual items, regardless of the total amount they buy. For example, sales tax is not due if a customer buys six shirts each priced at \$99.99. But full tax is due on a shirt sold for \$100; the first \$99.99 cannot be exempted.

* Clothing and footwear used primarily for athletic activities or for protective wear are not eligible for the exemption. Customers buying golf cleats or football pads, for instance, must pay sales tax. Athletic wear that is also used for participation in other non-athletic activities can qualify for tax exemption. For example, tennis shoes, baseball caps, and jogging suits are worn during everyday activities and thus may be purchased tax free during the holiday.

* Also excluded from the sales tax holiday are accessories such as jewelry and watches; items that are carried rather than worn, including handbags, briefcases and wallets; clothing rentals, such as formal wear and costumes; and repairs and alterations.

I hope that you find this information helpful. If you have questions about the sales tax holiday, please visit us online at <http://www.window.state.tx.us> or call us toll free at 1-800-252-5555.

Sincerely,
Carole Keeton Strayhorn
Texas Comptroller

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by Catherine R. Smith
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The following are different answers given by school-age children to the given question.

- Why did God make mothers?**
 1.- She's the only one who knows where the scotch tape is.
 2.- Think about it, it was the best way to get more people.
 3.- Mostly to clean the house
 4.- To help us out of there when we were getting born.
- How did God make mothers?**
 1.- He used dirt, just like for the rest of us
 2.- Magic plus super powers and a lot of stirring.
 3.- God made my mom just the same like he made me. He just used bigger parts
- Why did God give you your mother and not some other mom?**
 1.- We're related.
 2.- God knew she likes me a lot more than other people's moms like me.
- What ingredients are mothers made of?**
 1.- God makes mothers out of clouds and angel hair and everything nice in the world and one dab of mean.
 2.- They had to get their start from men's bones. Then they mostly use string. I think
- What kind of little girl was your mom?**
 1.- My mom has always been my mom and none of that other stuff.
 2.- I don't know because I wasn't there, but probably pretty bossy
 3.- They say she used to be nice.
- How did your mom meet your dad?**
 1.- Mom was working in a store and dad was shoplifting.
- What did mom need to know about dad before she married him?**
 1.- His last name.
 2.- She had to know his background. Like is he a crook? Does he get drunk on beer? Does he make at least \$800 a year? Did he say NO to drugs and YES to chores.
- Why did your mom marry your dad?**
 1.- My dad makes the best spaghetti in the world. And my mom eats a lot.
 2.- She got too old to do anything else with him.
 3.- My grandma says that mom didn't have her thinking cap on.
- What makes a real woman?**
 1.- It means you have to be really bossy without looking bossy.
 2.- Who's the boss at your house?
 1.- Mom doesn't want to be boss, but she has to because dads such a goofball.
 2.- Mom. You can tell by room inspection. She sees the stuff under the bed.
 3.- I guess Mom is, but only because she has a lot more to do than dad.
- What's the difference between moms and dads?**
 1.- Moms work at work and work at home, and dads just got to work at work
 2.- Moms know how to talk to teachers without scaring them.
 3.- Dads are taller and stronger, but moms have all the real power 'cause that's who you gotta ask if you want to sleep over at your friend's.
- What does your mom do in her spare time?**
 1.- Mothers don't do spare time.
 2.- To hear her tell it, she pays bills all day long.
 3.- What's the difference between moms and grandmas?
 1.- I think around 30 years.
 2.- You can always count on grandmothers for candy. Sometimes moms don't even have bread on them!

May God bless and keep you; May He make his face to shine upon you, and be gracious to you; May the Lord lift up his countenance upon you, and give you peace.
Numbers 6:24-26
Catherine :)

Beedy, Whitehead Wed



Mrs. and Mr. Lt. Tandy Robert Whitehead

Kristin Jan Beedy and Lt. Tandy Robert Whitehead were united in marriage in an early evening ceremony at the First Baptist Church of Spearman with the Rev. Lee Crouch, former pastor of the First United Methodist Church of Vernon officiating in the double ring ceremony.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Scott Beedy of Spearman, and the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Brad Beedy of Spearman and the late Mr. and Mrs. Ed Wheeler.

The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Tandy Whitehead of Vernon, TX and the grandson of Mrs. Dick Yeager and the late Dick Yeager of Vernon and Lt. Col. (retired) and Mrs. Robert Hanaway of Winton, California.

Given by her father in marriage, the bride was adorned in a formal gown of white Duchesse satin in a faux two-piece design. The strapless bodice featured an intricate scrolling pattern of hand-beaded bugle beads and crystals. The Basque waist gown featured a full a-line skirt with pyramids of matching beading that that flowed over the chapel length train.

A beaded tiara with a beaded two-tiered waist length satin trimmed veil completed the bride's ensemble.

She wore a pearl necklace and earrings of her paternal grandmother. On her right hand, she wore her maternal grandmother's wedding ring.

Greeters were Ashley Beedy, of Houston, TX, cousin of the bride, and Helen Byrd, of Midland, TX, cousin of the groom.

Matron of Honor was Brittini Sanders of Amarillo, cousin of the bride, who wore a chiffon gown in a banana color with double spaghetti straps, and a floral filigree design of beads and sequin scrolls across the bodice.

The carried a long-stemmed bouquet of five mauve Calla Lilies tied with white satin ribbon with pearl shaped buttons.

Attending as bridesmaids were Alexandra Whitehead of Chico, California; Bettina Rettenmaier of Denton, TX; Kailee Wheeler of Dallas TX; Holly Pipkin of College Station, TX Leslie Holton

of Lubbock, TX; and Janyth Davis of Maui, Hawaii.

The bridesmaids wore gowns identical to that of the Matron of Honor.

Candle lighters were Mary Elizabeth Byrd, cousin of the bridegroom and Avery Beedy, cousin of the bride.

Flower girl was Savannah Whitehead, niece of the bridegroom.

Christopher Whitehead of Chico, California, attended his brother as best man.

Groomsmen were Si Schur of Carrollton, TX; Ryan Scott of Albuquerque, NM; Peyton Iman of Fort Worth, TX; Chris Lehman of Lubbock, TX; Heath Moody of Argyle, TX; and Kevin Beedy of Spearman, TX, brother of the bride.

Ushers were Andrew Pennington of Vernon, TX; Dustin Dean of Oklahoma City, OK; and John Belcher of Carrollton, TX.

A reception was held immediately follow the wedding ceremony at the O'Loughlin Center.

Assisting in serving were Hilary Beedy of Dallas, TX; Lindsay Bibb of Arlington, TX; Britt Yoder of Denton, TX; Michael Lusby of Canyon, TX; Clancy Vanderburg of Canyon, TX; Ashley Beedy, of Houston, TX, cousin of the bride, and Helen Byrd, of Midland, TX, cousin of the groom.

Reception hosts were Mrs. Jodie Hight, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Pearson, and Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Renner.

Tyann Hight was the rice girl.

The reversal dinner was hosted by the groom's parents at the Perryton Country Club.

The bride is a 1999 graduate of Spearman High School, a 2003 magna cum laude graduate of the University of North Texas with a degree in Accounting. She was a member of the Mean Green tennis team.

The groom is a 1997 graduate of Vernon High School and a 2001 graduate of the University of North Texas where he was a member of the Mean Green football team and the Air Force ROTC. He is a C-21 pilot at Offut AFB. After a honeymoon to Hawaii, the couple will be at home at Omaha, Nebraska.

HANSFORD HAPPENINGS

ACT Registration Date Nears
 The next ACT Assessment will be administered September 27, 2003. College-bound high school students must register for the exam by August 22, the deadline for having the registration postmarked. There is a late registration postmark deadline of September 5, but an extra fee is charged for late registrations. Students can get registration packets from their high school counselors or register online at www.act.org. The ACT Assessment will be administered again October 25, 2003. Registration deadline for the October test date is September 19.

Spearman Lynx HS Band Discount Cards
 The Spearman Lynx High School Band has some Discount Cards left from their fundraiser earlier this year. The cards originally sold for \$10 each, but are now being sold for only \$5 each. They offer discounts from the following businesses: Simple Simon's Pizza, Smoke House Restaurant, Sonic, Tang's Chinese Food, Amigos Cafe, Pizza Hut, Prairie Garden Flowers, Dreamer's Salon, Dairy Queen, Celebrate, J&M Service Center, Panhandle Diner, Jeanette's Sweet Creations and the Mutt Hut. If you would like to purchase a card, please leave a message for Anna Marie Holland at the Jr. High (659-2563) or the High School (659-2584). We would also like to thank the businesses who supported us by offering these discounts.

Local Church Seeks Support In MS Walk
 Primera Iglesia Bautista of Spearman will be aiding the National Sclerosis Society by joining in its annual walk effort to raise funds. Members of the church participating in a six-mile walk September 27, 2003 in Dumas are seeking sponsorship pledges from Hansford County residents. Those interested in joining the effort the conquer Multiple Sclerosis may contact Sally Vaquera 659-5035, Margie Vaquera 664-5594 or Primera Iglesia Bautista 659-3991.

Breast Cancer Screening
 The Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer Center Comprehensive Breast Center will conduct a Breast Cancer Screening Clinic at Hansford County Hospital, 707 S Roland, in Spearman on July 28, 2003. Breast cancer affects one in eight women. The key to winning the battle against cancer is early detection by having an annual breast exam, mammogram and performing a breast self-exam each month. Funding is available through the Texas Department of Health for Texas residents who qualify for assistance. All exams are done by appointment only. Call (806) 356-1905 or 1-800-377-4673 for more information.

Area Agency on Aging Seeks Volunteers
 The Nursing Home Ombudsman program of the Area Agency on Aging of the Panhandle is actively seeking individuals to serve as advocates for residents of area nursing homes. Volunteer opportunities are available throughout the Panhandle. Ombudsmen promote resident rights, quality of life and quality of care by identifying and resolving complaints by or on behalf of residents. To learn more about this rewarding volunteer opportunity, please contact Jeff Price or Tanya Mock of the Area Agency on Aging of the Panhandle at (800) 642-6008.

Lynx Athletic Schedule
 Physicals will be given free of charge on Tuesday, July 29, 2003. Senior boys need to report at 8:30 a.m., junior boys need to report at 9 a.m., sophomore boys need to report at 10 a.m. and freshmen boys need to report at 11 a.m. Incoming eighth grade boys need to report at 1 p.m. and incoming seventh grade boys need to report at 2 p.m. Everyone is required to have a physical before participating in a workout. If you fail to take advantage of the free physicals on the 29th, you will be responsible for getting and paying for your physical. All athletes who plan to participate in any sport need to show up for physicals on the 29th. Football two-a-day workouts will begin on Monday, August 4th at 8 a.m.

Ranch Estate Planning Seminar
 A Ranch Estate Planning Seminar, sponsored by the Texas Cooperative Extension, will be held August 6-7, 2003 at the College Station Conference Center, 1300 George Bush Drive, in College Station. The seminar is offered to provide participants enough information on tax and estate planning matters to help them make difficult estate planning decisions. A thorough analysis of relevant income and estate tax rules as they affect families and agricultural businesses will be given by Dr. Hayenga. Registration information may be obtained by calling Sharon at (979) 845-2226. Registration cost is \$100.00 per person.

PANHANDLE PLANNER

Midsummer Tropical Night Area Singles Fellowship
 The Paramount Terrace Christian Church in Amarillo will sponsor an area singles fellowship on Friday, July 25, 2003. This will be an alcohol-free and smoke-free environment for all area singles to fellowship together and will be held at the Paramount Terrace Christian Church bus barn located at 2827 Mays (look for the pink flamingos!). Paramount Terrace Christian Church is sponsoring this event to reach out to singles all over the panhandle regardless of religious affiliation. The fellowship will include a cook-out dinner and games beginning at 7 p.m. A dance and games will be held from 9-11 p.m. We will have a Hawaiian shirt contest, beach ball volleyball and door prizes. The cost is \$8 per person. Tickets must be bought through the Paramount Terrace Christian Church office by July 21st. For more information, or to purchase tickets, call (806) 353-6615.

Youth Art Festival
 A Youth Art Festival will be held on Saturday, July 26th, from 10:00 to 3:00 in Pampa and Miami. All area youth age 18 and under are invited to participate. \$1,000 in cash prizes will be given away in four categories. Kids or their parents may register online at www.pampastribute.org, or by phone at 806-868-2094. If it's visual art, it can be displayed: graphic designs, photography, sculpture, 3-D art, painting, drawing, ceramics...

Top of Texas Senior Star Search
 The Hilltop Senior Citizens Association of Amarillo is looking for Senior Talent. We extend an invitation to anyone who is fifty-five (55) and older to join in the fun. Talents of singing, dancing, storytelling and other special talents are encouraged. Auditions will be held each Monday from 1-5 p.m. at Hilltop Senior Citizens Center in Amarillo, 1311 N. Taylor Street. Some exceptions will be considered with submitted video of participant's performance. Please call (806) 376-9511 to schedule an audition, or for more information. The final performance and presentation will be held on Saturday, August 8, 2003, where the 2003 Senior Star from the Top of Texas will be named!

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JOHN T. CHANDLER

PLADD, MO - John Theodore Chandler born November 23, 1908, in Pladd, Missouri, died July 9, 2003. At the age of two months, his family moved to Colorado where he resided most of his life. He moved with his wife Thelma to Prescott, Arizona in 1983, where they lived for nine years, and then moved to Sedona, Arizona in 1992.

John taught school in Colorado prior to working for the Immigration and Naturalization Service from which he retired after 30 years.

His wife, Thelma Young Chandler, passed away shortly after their 67th wedding anniversary in 2000.

He is survived by his son John Richard Chandler of Amarillo, TX, and his daughter Janette Chandler Dacis of Cottonwood, AZ, five grandchildren and 18 great grandchildren.

Interment of ashes will be July 26 in Colorado.

Donations in his memory may be made to Amarillo Life Challenge, 6300 Hope Rd., Amarillo, TX 79119.

ILA MAE BUCHANAN

SPEARMAN - Ila Mae Buchanan, 91, died Tuesday, July 22, 2003 at Hansford Manor.

Graveside services will be held at 11 a.m. on Thursday, July 24, 2003 at Hansford Cemetery with the Rev. Ken Cole officiating, under the direction of Boxwell Brothers of Spearman.

Ila Mae was born in Woods County, Oklahoma on March 20, 1912. She married J.B. Buchanann on June 12, 1934 in Spearman.

She was a homemaker and a great cook. She was a member of the First United Methodist Church of Spearman, the United Methodist Women and had been active in the Lay Witness Mission.

Survivors include a son, Burl and wife Nellie Buchanan of Spearman; a grandson, Roger Buchanan of Spearman; a granddaughter, Jana Buchanan of Amarillo; two grandchildren; and a great-nephew, Brice Jarvis of Spearman.

The family requests memorials be to the Southwest Pioneer Windmill Association, PO Box 805, Spearman, TX 79081.

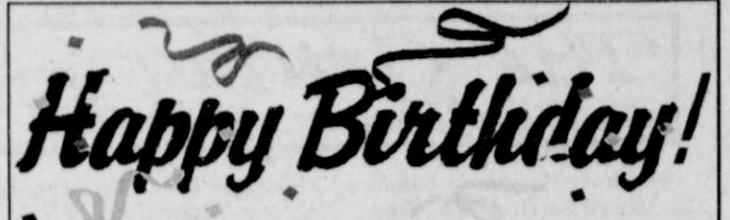


Hulls Celebrate 67th Anniversary

Floyd and Ruby Hull celebrated their 67th wedding anniversary in Lago Vista, Texas at the home of their son Wilbur.

Attending the celebration was Wilbur and Lois Hull, Allen and Donna Hull, Rodney and Heidi Hull, Adam and Valerie Guerra, and Joe and Gwen Kale.

Also in attendance were Floyd and Ruby's five great grandchildren - Deanna, Tyler, Chandler, Grant, and Cole.



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.

July 24

Birthday - Kaylee Holt, Christina Sanchez, Neil Pack, Irvn Barber, Tammy Freeman, Glen Ray Mackie, Maria Arjona, Ray Gressett, Sophia Salgado, Mary McIntyer, Wanda Schubert, Nathan Pipkin, Mary Martinez, Aaron Winegarner, Adam Cherry, Shannon Acker, Mattie Yanke, Taylor Tice
Anniversary - Mr. & Mrs. Lynn Boyd

July 25

Birthday - Robbie Butts, Brooke Lesly, Rhonda Baker

July 26

Birthday - Raquel Matthews Whitehead, George P. Odom, P.D. Swink, Jolain Ball, Jerry Long, Nell Benton, Ronnie Bullard, Rubyjo Wilbanks, Tammi Holmes, Traci Lane, Misty Payne, Cayla Smith, Oscar Valdez, Mini Largent, Dede Dellarosa, Jennifer Covington
Anniversary - Mr. & Mrs. George Rook, Mr. & Mrs. Sergio Vaquera, Mr. & Mrs. Danny Henson, Mr. & Mrs. Robert Stayton

August 1

Birthday - Lisa Link, Kyle Irwin, Frankie Leatherman, Annie Mayhew, Gyene Spivey, Benjamin Williams, Johnnie Williams, Ronnie Williams, Tommy Lovett, Jo Brown, Leann Swan, Yvonda Stokes, Anita Clemmons, Kevin Kirk, Rob Barber, Kelli McWhirter, David Swan, Jim Scarborough, Kiki West, Hershey Martin, Joyce Crooks, Alfonso Ceniceros, Larry Troser, Patricia Quillin, Gabriel Lopez, Sara Wright
Anniversary - Mr. & Mrs. Mike Minter, Mr. & Mrs. Tommy Cathey, Jr., Stephen and Rae Lynn Cook

August 2

Birthday - Eddie Clemmons, Mary Brock, Frosty Hickerson, Dirk Umphress, Colby Griffin, Earl Griffin, Diedra Deakin,

Daniel Bort, Yuki Bort, Misty Vera, Roland Graeber, Neely Hicks, Ryan Wells

Anniversary - Mr. & Mrs. Billy Kelly, Mr. & Mrs. Larry Hays, Mr. & Mrs. Dan Ralston

August 3

Birthday - Clay Gillispie, Tyson Sparks, Mary Wisinger, Laurie Swenn, Kent Guthrie, Kenneth Coates, Olivia Salgado, Sam Abston, Dibrell Kirk, Racheal Garza, Tencha Cazares, Olivia DeSantiago, Maxine Little

Anniversary - Mr. & Mrs. Don Schroder, Mr. & Mrs. Shane Reagan

August 4

Birthday - Jim Derington, Marjorie Hendricks, Penny Gammit, Mrs. Dick Kilgore, Cindy McGhee, Jeanetta Montgomery, Billy Joe Rhea, Mike Riley, V.L. Williamson, Nikki Swenn, Misty Pointer, Shelly Rook, Ramon Rosales, Renee Allen, Joe Allen Bullard, Bond Grace Pittman, Lee Blevins, Lana Salmans, Dawn Weaks, Rachel Abernathy, Ronnie Cogdill

Anniversary - Mr. & Mrs. Joe Vanderburg, Mr. & Mrs. Joe Bravo, Mr. & Mrs. E.A. Williams, Mr. & Mrs. Ronnie E. Williams

August 5

Birthday - Chase Reagan, Beth Ann Holt, Tina Adams, Billy Miller, Shirley Stafford, Erin Boxwell, Stephen Poole, Emidia Borunda, Heath Gaines, Paul Winn, Maria A. Parra, Susan Renick, Rodney Sumner

Anniversary - Mr. & Mrs. J. Garnett, Mr. & Mrs. Roy Flowers, Mr. & Mrs. Samuel Sanchez, Danny & Debby Herrington, Rich & Helen Melton

August 6

Birthday - Paul Winn, Scott Pipkin, Ladd Gafford, Carolyn Hahn, Helen Prachar, Raymie Porter, Hoyt Biles, Kathy White, Sharon Swan, Eoldia Bravo, Monica Lara, Susan Rason, Heather Gallimore, Debra McNeely

Anniversary - Mr. & Mrs. Murl Pearson, Mr. & Mrs. Rocky Sharp, Mr. & Mrs. Tim Stedje, Mr. & Mrs. Mack Hoel

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The Gruver Grapevine

by Harletta Carthel

Physicals, Equipment Issuance Slated for Gruver Athletes

Physicals for both junior high and high school boys and girls have been scheduled for Wednesday, July 30, at 8:30 a.m. in the high school gym. All athletes MUST bring their physical forms signed by their parents with them in order to receive the physical.

Those needing to take physicals include all students participating in any school sport who will be seventh graders, freshmen, or juniors, or other athletes who were injured or under a doctor's care last year.

Junior high and high school football players, whether they are receiving a physical or not, will be issued their equipment from 8:30 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. on July 30.

Football Workout Time Nears

Monday, August 4, will herald the first activity of the 2003-2004 school year with high school football workouts beginning.

According to Coach Bruce Bryant, approximately 40 boys are to report for high school football on that date.

Workouts for high school will begin each day at 7:00 a.m. until approximately 9:00 a.m. with a short break followed by a second workout to begin at 9:45 or 10:00 p.m.

Junior high football drills will not begin until the first day of school.

No 100 Degree Days Reported

Regardless of the soaring temperatures of the past two weeks, the City of Gruver has not reported a single day of the mercury hitting 100 degrees due to weather equipment damaged by lighting in a June thunderstorm.

Although the damage was reported several weeks ago, no serviceman has arrived to make the repairs.

Gruver Welcomes New Family

Wylie and Julie Maupin are making their home on Cluck Street in Gruver.

Wylie, a 1996 Gruver graduate, will be engaged in farming. The couple is awaiting the arrival of their first child.

Former Resident Update

The father of former Gruver Coach Royce Blackshear passed away last week.

Gruver Good Guys Abound

One characteristic of a Gruver Good Guy is the willingness to go the extra mile to help a friend or neighbor. Gruver Good Guys go beyond being nice to being extraordinary.

When three Gruver ladies recently traveling in New Mexico hit a deer, Amy and Mike Babbs were quick to respond. Not only did they make arrangements for the damaged vehicle but went far beyond the call of duty by making a speedy trip to Red River to bring the three damsels in distress home.

In their nomination, one of the rescued stated: "It is so nice to know that someone cares about you."

The Reporter States man salutes Gruver Good Guys Amy and Mike Babbs.

60th Anniversary Slated

There will be a 60th anniversary reception for Flavil and Josephine Ayers Friday, August 1 from 2-4 p.m. in the Activities Center of Hansford Manor

This and That

If you are looking for an enjoyable day trip or just happen to pass through Clarendon, make a stop at the Donley County Courthouse.

The grand lady has been involved in a three-year restoration project of both the interior and exterior of the building.

The 1890 courthouse is being called "the jewel of the plains."

For senior citizens who enjoy the benefits of AARP membership but do not approve of their liberal agenda, a new association for those 50 or older is the Christian Seniors Association.

More information about the association is available at Christian Seniors Association, P.O. Box 1882, Merrifield, VA 22116-8082.

Lady Hound Camp Announces Awards

A very successful Lady Hound Basketball Camp has concluded.

Coach Wynn Essler was assisted in the camp by Coach Steve Myatt, Brandi Griffin, Lisa Johnson, Christi Clift, Christie McDowell, and Debbie Chisum.

Awards presented in the second-fifth grade division were: Outstanding Camper - Ashlynn Miner, 4th grade; Best Layup - Cambry Cooper, 5th grade; Most Coachable - Callie Stedje; Best

Dribbler - Tylo Farrar of Spearman, 4th grade; Hustle Awards - Madison Williams, 2nd grade and Alex Logsdon, 3rd grade.

Most Improved Ball Handler - Randa Myers of Fort Worth, 2nd grade; Most Improved Shooter - Gracie Guthrie of Canyon, 2nd grade; Most Improved Defensive Player - Mary Hart, 5th grade; and Most improved Camper - Brooks Williams of Amarillo, 5th grade.

Also Best Defensive Players - Shelby Williams, 5th grade and Jacque Mayfield, 4th grade; Best Passers - Shelley Gibson, 4th grade and Lauren Williams, 4th grade; Most Aggressive Player - Ashley Williams, 3rd grade; Best Set Shot - Sky May field of Spearman, 4th grade; Most Improved Dribbler - Lauren Patterson of Spearman, 4th grade; and Ashby Williams - of Amarillo, 3rd grade; and Most Improved Offensive Player - Tori Boydston, 4th grade.

Winners of the second-fifth grade contests were Ball Handling Champion - Mary Hart and Lay up Champion - Cambry Cooper.

Award winners in the 6th- 8th grade division were: Outstanding Campers - Tarah Shields of Morse, 8th grade; Chelsey Knight, 8th grade, and Eva McCloy of Morse, 8th grade; Outstanding Defensive Players - Emily Williams, 8th grade; and Devlin Reynolds, 7th grade; Outstanding Offensive Players - Whitney Moffett, 8th, Lynn Vela, 7th; and Elizabeth, Trejo of Borger, 8th grade; Most Improved Campers- Meagan Stedje, 6th grade; Kylie Bridwell of Perryton, 7th grade; and Katie Gibson, 6h grade; Hustle Award - Elise Peak of Perryton, 8th grade; Sydney Clawson, 7th grade; Amy Tolleson of Morse, 7th grade; and Lindsay Mireles, 7th grade; Most improved Shooters - Kayla Swink, 8th; Leigh Anne Winger, 6th grade; Most Improved Ball Handler - Veronica Teal, 7th; Most and Improved Defensive Player - Mackenzie Crane, 5th grade.

Contest winners in the older division were Hot Shot Champion - Devlin Reynolds, Ball Handling Champion - Eva McCloy, and Free Throw Champion - Tarah Shields.

Coach Steve Myatt expressed his gratitude for the strong participation of Morse students in the camp and their contributions during the week.

Out At The Lake

by Dorothy Hudson



Waynetta Riggs with catfish caught at Lake Palo Duro.

Lake Level--31.77 feet (-0.40)

Fishing didn't produce much this week. Two couples from Oklahoma, the Virgil Riggs and the Chris Gibsons, were fishing from a boat at night when one of them caught the fish Waynetta is holding. They were using shad and perch for bait.

There were 5 RVs behind the dam and 2 below the office. Some tent campers were scattered about. A young couple from Guymon had come tent camping, mainly to try out a new grill. On propane, it popped up from the ice chest. They told Jim they were very happy with it. Sunday was the day for the Spearman Church of Christ to have the shelter.

Last Thursday around 4 o'clock in the afternoon, Jim was working outside. His dog Scooter was taking a nap in the shade of the big office sign. Suddenly Scooter began barking furiously to tell Jim Park Security was being breached. As Jim ran to see what was going on, he came to the office parking lot, where he found a well-spotted bobcat that looked in very poor

condition. Scooter, when he saw his deputy was there, immediately chased after the bobcat, who ran for cover. It was not one of the bobcats Jim has been seeing, and he was surprised to see it out at that time of day.

Jim had another interesting experience this past week. While out in his boat, he found a cormorant caught by a wing in a crappie rig that had been broken off in a tree. He said these birds are hated by the Game Wardens, the Parks and Wildlife men, and most fishermen, as they think they eat too many of the fish, but Jim is not one to leave a bird or animal suffering. He must have had to think twice, as the cormorant was not happy to see him, and its beak is long with a downward curve. Gloveless, he had to be careful. While he distracted the bird, he was able cut the wing free. The bird may not have been able to fly, and instead it dived in the Lake.

A doe was run over on one of the Park roads on Friday. She may have left a fawn. A mule deer doe has been seen with 3 fawns.

Spearman Police Department Report for June

Calls/Contacts - 494, Citations - 24, Warnings - 56, Arrests - 15, Accidents - 1.

Types of calls: Criminal Trespass, Assist other agencies, Harassment, Minor in Possession of Alcohol, Minor in Consumption of Alcohol, Lockout, Possession of Drug Paraphernalia, Loud Music, Criminal Mischief, Fighting, Assault, Theft, DWI, Possession of Marijuana, Possession of Methamphetamine, Terroristic Threat, Possession of Prohibited Weapon, Reckless Driver, DWI Minor.

Oklahoma Baptist Univ. Honor Roll

Amy Jo Harris and Micah Hart Harris of the Morse community, have been named to the Presidents Honor Roll of Oklahoma Baptist University for the Spring semester.

The President's Honor Roll requires a 3.7 grade point average for the semester with no grade below a "B".

Amy is a nursing student at the university while Micah is a communications major.

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Among The Neighbors

by Helen Fisher

The surviving daughters and other members of the late Fred and Sada Hoskin family were together the past week-end. They gathered at the home of Joan and Johnnie Lee which was the family home.

Sada Ruth Long of Bartlesville, Okla. was accompanied by Sharlie Hoskins, widow of the late Freddie Hoskins of Louisville, Ken. The husband of Sada Ruth passed away early this year. All were here four days. Winifred and J.D. Hester with daughter, Jeni came from Texline. Jeni is a missionary from Columbia, South America. She has had some fascinating experiences.

JoeLynn Leeland from Las Vegas, Nev. and her friend, Janis Bischoff of

Henderson, Nev. are spending the week here with her mother, Joe Copeland, Velma and Kim Copeland with little Kit from Austin are also spending the week here. They all attended the Brown family reunion on Saturday.

Abigail and Cecilia Brisenro returned from Juarez, Mexico. They spent two weeks visiting their mother and step-father, Maria and Efrén Solis.

Lacie Friesen of Boise, Idaho visited her grandfather, John Allen, at Hansford Manor a few days last week. She spent several days with Jane and Larry Whitford in Guymon.

Others she visited with at the Manor were great aunts, Ila Mae Buchanan and Helen Fisher. She had barely flown back to Boise when she returned by plane to BSA. John had just been taken by ambulance for a broken hip from a fall at the Manor. He is reported to be recovering. Another of his daughters and husband, Marilyn and David Wilson of Crawford, Okla. are also there.

Bill and Lil Turner are at their lodge near Red River. Bill, trying to avoid the accusation "Rise and Whine" spends most of his time on the porch soaking in the marvelous mountain scenery. He meditates on ways to correct nature's imbalances-such as Father Time and Mother Nature. Lil is kept busy making sure he doesn't go hungry.

Randy Brown has been pleased to have assistance in driving the front-end loader at DGC Feeders. His helper has been grandson four year old Clayton, Kirkland. He and sister, two year old Alex visited Diane and Randy for a week recently. They are the children of Brendy Kirkland of Ft. Worth. His strong belief in heredity has increased by the presence of these beautiful and sharp children.

Randy and Diane are still savoring the memories of their recent vacation in Canada. The first two days were spent on the train from

Vancouver to Jasper by Lake Louise to Banff. After ten days they returned by Calgary and came home from there.

They hiked to get good views. They saw the forests that had burned. The many wild animals were fascinating. Among them were mountain goats, elk, moose bulls and cows, and their babies, and bighorn sheep. The waterfalls and glaciers-the water from glacial dust was emerald green. Certainly it was a contrast to the prairies of home.

Bobby and Dixie Smith with Cayla and Lance were in Las Vegas last week where the convention of High-Protein Feed was held. As is fairly well known, there is various entertainment there and no doubt there was little boredom for the Smiths.

Sara Dossett is recovering from a broken hip in B.S.A. in Amarillo.

Last Saturday after doing some work in her yard, she started into her house and stumbled in the doorway breaking her hip and cutting her ear and face. She was able to crawl to her phone and call her sister-in-law, Caro Lee Frantz who called for an ambulance.

She was taken to BSA in Amarillo and is reported to be recovering. She is in room number 434. Her daughter, Diana Carter of Lubbock has come to be with her.

There were 40 at the family reunion for the family of Myrtle and J.C. Brown, Sr. hosted by Bob & Jackie Pearson and Doc and Susan Pearson on Friday, July

18th, at their "Hooper House" southeast of Spearman.

Attending were Myrtle and H.C. Brown's 2 surviving children, Joe Copeland of Spearman and June Osborne and her husband, Ray, of Perryton.

Kristi Pearson of Spearman and her friend, Ross Renner of Gruver, Jerry Pearson, Myrt & Wayne Ware, Charlotte & Dan Pearson, Sandy & Mike Pearson, Mark & Anne Marie Pearson and Charles Mark all of Spearman, Carrie Jane Clark and Caroline of Houston, Gayla Ray & Clayton Grunau and Tanessa and Aaron, and his friend of Balco, Okla., Janis Bischoff & Joe Lynn Leland of Las Vegas, NV., Cassie Patton and Katie Patton of Burns Flat, Okla. Ginger & Kevin Nelson and Madeleine and Pearson, Amarillo, Denise and Lance Breshears and Brett, Stinnett, Kim & Velma Copeland and Kit of Austin, Tx..

It's the first family reunion in many years (since no one could remember the last time the family gathered except for a wedding or a funeral). Everyone who attended had such a great time visiting and catching up; however, no one was happier than the octogenarian of the family, "Aunt" Joe, who expressed her pleasure by exclaiming, "we should do this again next year." Even the members of the younger generations agreed.

Also in Spearman to attend her 10 year reunion were Bob & Jackie's daughter, Laura Pearson, and her friend, Jason Whitson, both of Houston.

A fund has been established for

the medical expenses of Denise Apodaca at the First National Bank of Spearman.

Denise was airlifted last week to St. Paul Hospital in Dallas where she is undergoing tests before a possible reconstructive surgery of her esophagus.

Her address is St Paul Hospital, 5909 Harry Hines Blvd., Dallas, Texas (no zip code provided). Her phone number is 214-879-2351.

As this is being written comes the sad word of the passing of Ila Mae Buchanan. The obituary will

detail her life's activities in family and church, but no written words can touch the emotions of those who loved her.

Ila Mae was a member of the Buchanan family for more than 72 years. Many are the emergencies, happy events, laughter and tears shared. Yes, it is comforting to know she has joined her beloved husband, J.B. Buchanan who passed away the past January.

To Burl, Nellie, Roger and Jana Beth, we share your loss and she will always be in our hearts and memories.

Carthel Selected For Medical Program

Kade Carthel, a 2002 graduate of Gruver High School, recently completed a six-week internship at University of Texas Southwestern Medical School (UTSW) in Dallas.

Carthel was one of 80 pre-med majors in Texas universities selected for Joint Admission to Medical Programs, JAMP, which is in its first year.

Students selected to JAMP based on their national test scores and high school and college academic achievements, participate each summer of their undergraduate years in a six-week internship at one of the eight Texas medical schools. Students completing all requirements of the JAMP program will be admitted upon college graduation to one of the Texas medical schools.

At UTSW, Carthel and nine other JAMP students from throughout Texas took Anatomy with first year medical students, were instructed in studying techniques for the MCAT test for medical school admission, and accompanied an assigned doctor twice a week.

Carthel, whose mentor was an anesthesiologist, was able to observe several surgeries including orthopedic, neural, and burn surgeries.

Carthel is a sophomore biology -pre med student at Abilene Christian University and the son of Dan and Hai'tta Carthel of Gruver.

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Engagement Announcement

Robert and Evelyn Coffman of Borger announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter Lindsay Catherine to Nicholas Craig Vinson, son of Craig and Beverly Vinson of Spearman.

The bride-elect is the granddaughter of Bob and Bobbie Coffman of New Caney, TX and Jodie and Peggy Brock of Borger, TX.

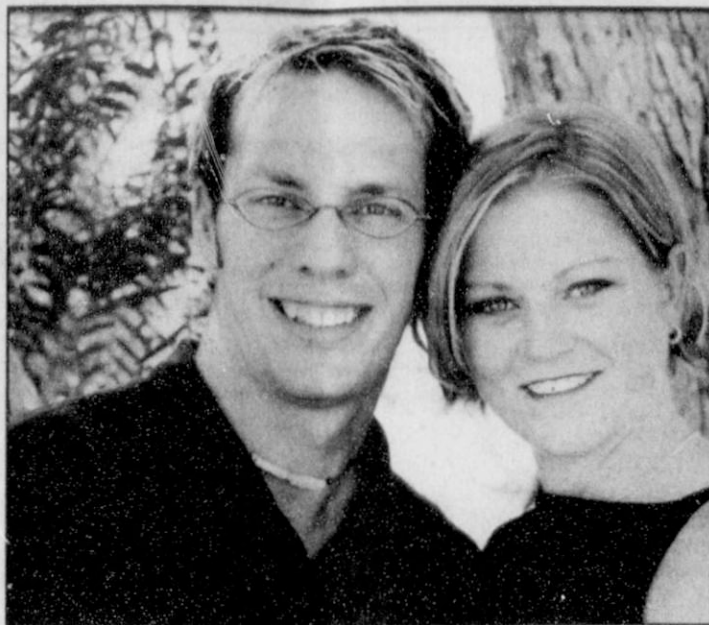
The prospective groom is the grandson of Bob and Jane Vinson of Spearman and Bob and Janette Whitford of Lubbock, TX and the late Paul Albus.

The couple plan an October 17, 2003, at the Grace Fellowship Church in Borger.

The bride-elect is a 2000 graduate of Borger High School and a May 2003 graduate of West Texas A&M University. She is currently employed at Grace Fellowship Church.

The prospective groom is a graduate of Spearman High School. He is employed by Zachry Construction Company of Borger.

The couple will reside in Borger.



Engagement Announcement

Bill and Verna Strawn of Spearman announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter Nikki Leigh to Shad Eugene Sanders, son of Gene and Susan Sanders of Amarillo, TX.

Shad and Nikki will exchange vows September 13, 2002 at the Ranch House in Canyon, TX. They will reside in Chandler, Arizona

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Engagement Announcement

Karen Reimer announces the engagement and upcoming marriage of her daughter, Jennifer Ann Reimer of Perryton to Jimmy "Rett" Simmons, Jr. of Perryton, son of the Jimmy and Debra Simmons of Burns Flat, OK. The bride-elect is also the daughter of the late Mick Reimer.

The couple will be married Saturday, September 27th at the First Christian Church in Perryton at 7:00 p.m.

The bride-elect is a 1989 graduate of Spearman High and is employed by Dr. Rex L. Mann.

The prospective groom is a 1994 graduate of Burns Flat High and is employed by Stinger Wellhead Protection.

"Nashville Star" Jewell To Perform At Kimbrough Stadium

West Texas A&M University Athletics and KGNC-FM 97.9, "Amarillo's Country," are pleased to announce that Buddy Jewell, whose self-titled album debuted at #1 on Billboard's Top Country Albums, will perform a post-football game concert following the WTAMU season opener Aug. 30 at Kimbrough Memorial Stadium.

Jewell received more than two million votes to become America's first "Nashville Star" on the USA Network's popular series. The 41-year old Osceola, Ark., native came out on top of the nine-week competition. As part of his victory Jewell received a recording contract with Sony Music Nashville, and his album was recorded in just 10 days and produced by Clint Black.

He had been making a living for the past eight years singing demos for songwriters in Nashville, and in 1993 he twice won the "Star Search" male vocalist category.

His single, "Help Pour Out the Rain (Lacey's Song)," came out in June and debuted at #44, the highest-charting debut by a new artist since Wynonna's "She is His Only Need" in 1992.

Jewell's musical influences are Marty Robbins, James Taylor, Johnny Horton, the Eagles, and Jim Croce, but he said the best part of his "Nashville Star" experience

was "singing my own songs...and then getting fans' reactions via e-mail and my web site."

"I want to be a successful recording artist," he said. "I'm really looking forward to seeing how this record does."

Ironically, Jewell was a high school quarterback and played tackle in college at Arkansas State University.

Jewell will perform inside the stadium following the 7:00 p.m. game between Oklahoma Panhandle State and the Buffaloes. Tickets are available through the WT ticket office at (806) 651-1414. Prices are \$15 for a reserved ticket, \$10 for general admission, and \$5 for youth general admission. WT students are admitted free with a valid student ID.

PUBLIC NOTICE
 BRIEF EXPLANATORY STATEMENTS OF PROPOSED
CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS
 SPECIAL ELECTION
 SEPTEMBER 13, 2003

PROPOSITION 1
(HJR 68, Section 1)

HJR 68, Section 1 would authorize the Veterans Land Board to use excess receipts in the Veterans Land and Veterans Housing Assistance funds for payment of revenue bonds, and use excess assets in those funds to provide veterans homes.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the Veterans Land Board to use assets in certain veterans land and veterans housing assistance funds to provide veterans homes for the aged or infirm and to make principal, interest, and bond enhancement payments on revenue bonds."

PROPOSITION 2
(HJR 51)

HJR 51 would expand from six months to two years the period in which the former owner of a mineral interest that was sold for unpaid property taxes may buy back the mineral interest.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment to establish a two-year period for the redemption of a mineral interest sold for unpaid ad valorem taxes at a tax sale."

PROPOSITION 3
(HJR 55)

HJR 55 would authorize the legislature to exempt from taxation land owned by a religious organization that is leased for use as a school or that will be used to expand or construct a place of religious worship that yields no revenue.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment to authorize the legislature to exempt from ad valorem taxation property owned by a religious organization that is leased for use as a school or that is owned with the intent of expanding or constructing a religious facility."

PROPOSITION 4
(SJR 30)

SJR 30 would authorize the legislature to allow conservation and reclamation districts to use taxes to develop and finance certain parks and recreation facilities. Also, the amendment would authorize the legislature to allow local elections for the issuance of bonds to improve and maintain parks and recreational facilities in the Tarrant Regional Water District or a conservation and reclamation district located in whole or in part in Bastrop, Bexar, Brazoria, Fort Bend, Galveston, Harris, Montgomery, Tarrant, Travis, Waller or Williamson County.

The proposition will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment relating to the provision of parks and recreational facilities by certain conservation and reclamation districts."

PROPOSITION 5
(SJR 25)

SJR 25 would authorize the legislature to exempt from all property taxes certain tangible personal property, which could include a travel trailer not substantially affixed to real estate and not used as a residential dwelling.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment to exempt from ad valorem taxation travel trailers not held or used for the production of income."

PROPOSITION 6
(HJR 23)

HJR 23 would authorize a qualified homeowner to refinance a home equity loan with a reverse mortgage loan.

The proposition will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment permitting refinancing of a home equity loan with a reverse mortgage."

PROPOSITION 7
(HJR 44)

HJR 44 would reduce the number of persons who make up the jury in a district court criminal misdemeanor case from twelve to six.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment to permit a six-person jury in a district court misdemeanor trial."

PROPOSITION 8
(HJR 62)

HJR 62 would authorize the legislature to permit a person to assume office without an election if the person is the only candidate to qualify in an election for that office and the election is required by the Texas Constitution. This proposition applies to state and local political subdivisions, whereas Proposition 18 applies only to local political subdivisions.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to permit a person to take office without an election if the person is the only candidate to qualify in an election for that office."

PROPOSITION 9
(HJR 68, Section 2)

HJR 68, Section 2 would redefine the com-

position of the permanent and available school funds by requiring during the next two fiscal years, and authorizing thereafter, annual distributions to the available school fund of a percentage of any increase in the value of the permanent school fund's total investment assets.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment relating to the use of income and appreciation of the permanent school fund."

PROPOSITION 10
(HJR 61)

HJR 61 would authorize municipalities to donate surplus fire-fighting equipment, supplies, or materials to the Texas Forest Service, which would be authorized to distribute based on need the equipment to rural volunteer fire departments.

The proposition will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing municipalities to donate surplus fire-fighting equipment or supplies for the benefit of rural volunteer fire departments."

PROPOSITION 11
(HJR 85)

HJR 85 would authorize the legislature to regulate the operation of wineries in Texas, regardless of whether a winery is located in an area in which the sale of wine has been authorized by local option election.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "A constitutional amendment to allow the legislature to enact laws authorizing and governing the operation of wineries in this state."

PROPOSITION 12
(HJR 3)

HJR 3 would immediately authorize the Legislature to limit non-economic damages assessed against a provider of medical or health care and, after January 1, 2005, to limit awards in all other types of cases.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment concerning civil lawsuits against doctors and health care providers, and other actions, authorizing the legislature to determine limitations on non-economic damages."

PROPOSITION 13
(HJR 16)

HJR 16 would authorize a county, city, town, and junior college district to freeze property taxes on a residential homestead of a person who is disabled or aged 65 or older.

The proposition will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment to permit counties, cities and towns, and junior college districts to establish an ad valorem tax freeze on residence homesteads of the disabled and of the elderly and their spouses."

PROPOSITION 14
(HJR 28)

HJR 28 would authorize the Texas Department of Transportation to issue

notes or borrow money to fund highway improvement projects. The terms of the notes or loans may not exceed two years. The proposition will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment providing for authorization of the issuing of notes or the borrowing of money on a short-term basis by a state transportation agency for transportation-related projects, and the issuance of bonds and other public securities secured by the state highway fund."

PROPOSITION 15
(HJR 54)

HJR 54 would prohibit a local retirement system and the political subdivision that finances the retirement system from reducing or otherwise impairing certain accrued benefits under the local retirement system.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The Constitutional amendment providing that certain benefits under certain local public retirement systems may not be reduced or impaired."

PROPOSITION 16
(SJR 42)

SJR 42 would amend the Texas Constitution to allow home equity lines of credit and allow refinancing of a home equity loan with a reverse mortgage loan.

The proposition will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing a home equity line of credit, providing for administrative interpretation of home equity lending law, and otherwise relating to the making, refinancing, repayment, and enforcement of home equity loans."

PROPOSITION 17
(HJR 21)

HJR 21 would prohibit an increase in school property taxes on residence homesteads of disabled persons.

The proposition will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment to prohibit an increase in the total amount of school district ad valorem taxes that may be imposed on the residence homestead of a disabled person."

PROPOSITION 18
(HJR 59)

HJR 59 would authorize the legislature to permit a person to assume an office of a political subdivision without an election if the person is the only candidate to qualify in an election for that office and the election is required by the Texas Constitution. This proposition applies only to local political subdivisions, whereas Proposition 8 applies to state and local political subdivisions.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to permit a person to assume an office of a political subdivision without an election if the person is the only candidate to qualify in an election for that office."

PROPOSITION 19
(SJR 45)

SJR 45 would repeal the legislature's

authority to create rural fire prevention districts. Effective September 1, 2003, all existing rural fire prevention districts will convert to emergency services districts.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment to repeal the authority of the legislature to provide for the creation of rural fire prevention districts."

PROPOSITION 20
(SJR 55)

SJR 55 would authorize the issuance of general obligation bonds in a total amount not to exceed \$250 million that will be used to provide loans for economic development projects that benefit defense-related communities in Texas.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the issuance of general obligation bonds or notes not to exceed \$250 million payable from the general revenues of the state to provide loans to defense-related communities, that will be repaid by the defense-related community, for economic development projects, including projects that enhance the military value of military installations."

PROPOSITION 21
(SJR 19)

SJR 19 would authorize current and retired faculty members of a public institution of higher education to receive compensation for service as a member of the governing body of a water district.

The proposition will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment to permit a current or retired faculty member of a public college or university to receive compensation for service on the governing body of a water district."

PROPOSITION 22
(HJR 84)

HJR 84 would authorize the appointment of a temporary replacement officer to serve on behalf of a state, district, or local public officer who is called into active military duty for longer than 30 days.

The proposition will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the appointment of a temporary replacement officer to fill a vacancy created when a public officer enters active duty in the United States armed forces."

Estos son los informes explicatorios sobre las enmiendas propuestas a la constitucion que apareceran en la boleta el 13 de septiembre de 2003. Si usted no ha recibido una copia de los informes en español, podrá obtener una gratis llamando al 1/800/252/8683 o escribiendo al Secretario de Estado, P.O. Box 12060, Austin, TX 78711.

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GARAGE SALE - Spearman: 108 Womble; Friday, July 25th, 4-8 p.m. & Saturday, July 26th, 8 a.m.-12 noon. Lots of big women's clothes, bicycle, recliner, nail supplies, lots of misc. 1(7-24-03)B

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LEGAL NOTICE

OCHILTREE/HANSFORD COUNTY JUVENILE PROBATION OFFICE VEHICLE BID The Ochiltree/Hansford County Juvenile Probation Office is accepting bids on a new 2003 or 2004 vehicle. Vehicle specifications may be obtained from the Ochiltree County Auditor's Office (806-435-8044). Bids must be sealed and addressed to the Ochiltree County Auditor, 511 S. Main, Peryton, TX 79070, labeled as "Juvenile Probation Office Vehicle Bid." Vehicle Bids will be publicly opened at 9:00 a.m. on August 14, 2003, in the County Auditor's Office. All bids will be acted upon no later than Thursday, August 21, 2003. Notification will be sent to all bidders. The Ochiltree/Hansford County Juvenile Probation Office reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to accept the bid deemed best for the Ochiltree/Hansford County Juvenile Probation Office. If, upon arrival, the vehicle does not meet specifications, the Ochiltree/Hansford County Juvenile Probation Office has the authority to reject the vehicle. 2(7-24-03)B

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MANOR MATTERS

"WE SHIFT OUR GEARS AND DEFY THE YEARS" is the new motto for Hansford Manor. This motto won the theme contest at the Senior Golden Olympics July 18th. This theme will be used for the 2004 Senior Golden Olympics.

The motto was written for Hansford Manor by Aleen Lowder and submitted for the contest. The prize for winning was a check for \$100.00! The prize money will be used to have the new Manor Motto added to the front of the t-shirts that the hospital auxiliary donated to the Manor.

Eighteen Hansford Manor residents entered into the Senior Golden Olympic competition in Guymon, Okla. the 18th of July. There were ten teams total competing from Springfield, Colo. to Ada, Okla. For the third year in a row Hansford Manor won the olympics.

The first event of the day was volleyball. Our volleyball team consisting of Louis Flowers, Alice Kirby, Irene Edwards, Marie Coates, Dorris Cluck, Pauline

Winger, Viola Thompson, Beth Phelps, Sue Ferrell, Ruth Bryan, Viola Boyd, Robert Yanke, and Geneva Eddleman the cheerleader, won a resounding victory over Stratford's Coldwater Manor.

Next they beat two more teams that had won their first games to take the gold.

The next event was the bean bag toss 2 where E.J. Wade made a perfect score by hitting the bulls-eye every time he threw for a perfect score of 600 points. Leona Harris came in second and Viola Thompson came in third for a grand slam in this event.

In Division 1 walk-a-thon Robert Yanke came in second, Division 2 walk a thon E.J. Wade captured a 3rd. Bowling- Division 1 Dorris Cluck came in 2nd, bowling, Division 2 Ruth Bryan earned a 3rd. In Basketball 2 Beth Phelps got a first place by hitting 16 baskets in a row and Pauline Winger scored a 3rd.

In wheelchair races, Div. 1 was won by E.J. Wade with an impressive victory. Hansford Manor had earned more points than any other

team at the end of the day and E.J. Wade had accumulated more individual points than any other man there which earned him the title of "King" of the 2003 Senior Golden Olympics!

Also included in the scoring was a 3rd place win of the Hansford Manor Hee Haw band with their musical rendition of "Turkey in the Straw" with the leadership of the capable Janie Kunselman in the talent competition.

Aleen Lowder won a medal with her poem titled "My Apple Tree". This poem was published by the National Library of Poetry in 1995. It can be seen in the hall across from the beauty shop in the Manor. Arts and crafts entered in the talent competition yielded a medal for Irene Edwards' crocheted name plaque and Opal Bradford's boot quilt earned her a medal.

Also earning recognition for competition was Paul Allison and Ernest Archer. Door prizes were won by Sue Ferrell, Ernest Archer, Pauline Winger, and Beth Phelps.

This is one of the biggest events of the year for the residents and for good cause. It was a very fun day for everyone. All of the olympians, the many volunteers, and the staff

that traveled with the residents. A total of 29 helpers, family members, cheerleaders, and staff traveled with the olympians. Every person that went did an outstanding job of making this a very successful event. All of the hard work of practicing and planning paid off. We are very grateful for all that helped in every way.

We had the look of a very organized team with all the residents and helpers wearing t-shirts that were donated by the Hansford Hospital Auxiliary with the new district logo on the back.

Thank you to each and every one that helped make this event so successful. It truly was a team effort from everyone from nursing staff, kitchen staff, every employee of the Manor, every volunteer and every family member involved.

Cattle Raisers High Plains Ag Expo

Agricultural producers in the Dumas area are invited to a free TSCRA steak luncheon and educational program on Wednesday, Aug. 6.

The luncheon is being held in conjunction with the first High Plains Ag Expo at Moore Farms in Dumas, Texas.

The program begins at 11 a.m. with a demonstration of livestock handling equipment. Sign-in for luncheon begins at noon and a complimentary 8-ounce New York strip lunch provided by Swift will be served at 12:30 p.m.

"Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association is making a special effort to host events like this across the state," says TSCRA President Bob McCan. "We want to provide local opportunities for producers to meet, visit and get some good information. But more importantly, we want to concentrate on gathering up some new members."

"Please come and bring your friends and neighbors who should be members of TSCRA," McCan urges. "We must increase the number of producers we represent if TSCRA is to continue to be an effective voice for beef producers."

Sponsors for the luncheon are Dumas Coop, National Finance Credit Corp. and Swift.

Tickets are free, but limited. Participants must register by July 25 to receive tickets in advance; tickets at the event will be based on availability.

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