

**NYPD investigates small blast at British consulate**  
New York police were investigating two pre-dawn blasts at the British consulate in midtown Manhattan that shattered some windows but caused no injuries, a spokesman said on Thursday.

**Former congressman seeks run against DeLay**

Former U.S. Congressman Nick Lampson said on Wednesday he would seek the Democratic nomination to run against Republican Tom DeLay in 2006 in what could be the most serious political challenge the embattled U.S. House Majority Leader has faced.

**WTC rebuilding plans sent back to drawing board**

The Freedom Tower, the symbolic centerpiece of plans to rebuild at the World Trade Center site, must be redesigned to address security concerns raised by New York police, New York Gov. George Pataki said on Wednesday.

**CIA agents told to deliver bin Laden's head on ice**

The CIA officer who led the first American unit into Afghanistan after the Sept. 11, 2001, attacks said on Wednesday that his orders included an unusual assignment: bring back Osama bin Laden's head on ice.

**DeLay voices confidence of vindication**

U.S. House of Representatives Majority Leader Tom DeLay voiced confidence on Wednesday that he would be vindicated by a pending review of his foreign trips.

**NASA holds shuttle launch rehearsal, glitch occurs**

The shuttle Discovery crew staged a dress rehearsal on Wednesday for their planned launch in July, but the practice run suffered problems that would have grounded the spacecraft during takeoff.

**IBM says to cut up to 13,000 jobs in restructuring**

International Business Machines Corp. said on Wednesday it would cut up to 13,000 jobs, primarily in Europe, as part of a global cost-cutting plan that will result in a pre-tax charge of \$1.3 billion to \$1.7 billion.

**Witness says Jackson camp worried about blackmail**

Michael Jackson and his aides huddled in February 2003 to discuss making a video that would protect his image after considering whether he could become the target of "blackmail" by the family of his accuser, a witness told jurors on Wednesday.

**Bush to visit Russia, two former Soviet states**

President Bush will offer encouragement to the young democracies of former Soviet republics Latvia and Georgia on visits there built around a trip to Russia to mark the end of World Two in Europe, his national security adviser said on Wednesday.

**Iran wants to continue nuclear talks with EU**

Iran wants to continue talks with the European Union aimed at resolving the standoff over Tehran's nuclear program provided they promise a tangible outcome, Iran's Foreign Minister Kamal Kharrazi said on Thursday.

**New Pope says will keep up summer tradition**

Pope Benedict traveled south of Rome on Thursday to see the papal summer residence and delighted residents in the area when he told them he would keep up the tradition of spending the warm months here.

**Big staff turnover plagues U.S. rebuilding in Iraq**

Rapid turnover and a shortage of experienced U.S. staff in Iraq managing billions of dollars of contracts is wreaking havoc on a rebuilding plan already slowed down by violence.

**US Marines land on Somali coast to hunt militants**

U.S. Marines landed on Somalia's coast in one of their most visible hunts for militants in the country since they set up a Horn of Africa counter terrorism force in 2002, Somali officials said on Thursday.

**Bush to push democracy agenda in ex-Soviet Georgia**

George W. Bush's visit next week to Georgia is being hailed in the ex-Soviet state as a U.S. blessing for revolutionary change in Russia's backyard and encouragement for Tbilisi's feisty stand against the Kremlin.

**U.N. urges Afghans to find women's killers**

The United Nations urged Afghanistan on Thursday to spare no effort in the hunt for the killers of three women who were raped, strangled and dumped with a note warning women not to work for aid groups.

**Thousands mourn Holocaust victims in Auschwitz**

Young Jews, government leaders and Holocaust survivors gathered at the most notorious World War II death camp of Auschwitz on Thursday to take part in the "March of the Living" on Holocaust Remembrance Day.



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TEACHER APPRECIATION WEEK

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## Teachers make a difference

by Rodney Sumner, Spearman ISD Superintendent

Each one of us has probably had one or more special teachers that have made a difference in our lives. These special teachers are someone you will never forget, and either by their act of kindness or by just being there to offer support and encouragement, they have made a difference. Most often we credit these teachers with who we are today.

This week is *Teacher Appreciation Week* (May 2 - 6, 2005), and is a time for each one of us to pause and express our appreciation to teachers for the outstanding job that they do and for the con-

tributions they make to our community. Our schools are full of these special teachers who, each and every day, are making a difference in the lives of the students they teach!

Education in general has been undergoing significant changes in the past twenty-years. However, with all these changes one thing remains the same, it is the teacher in the classroom that makes the biggest difference!

Spearman ISD has been fortunate over the years to have employed some outstanding teachers; teachers whose toil and labor have been rewarded with their students earning advanced degrees from colleges and university from

across the country. These students have become college professors, scientists, lawyers, doctors, teachers and successful businessmen. As I hear success stories of our former students, I know how proud each of their teachers must feel!

I, too, was a classroom teacher at one time (although it appears to be ancient history). What has helped motivate and encourage me is when I hear from one of my former students about something I did that made a difference in their lives. I recently received an e-mail from one of my former students that I taught and coached back in the early 80's. It has been over 20-years since I have heard from this student, and it was quite a surprise when I saw his e-mail. This student tracked me down and wanted to tell me about his job and about his family and children. He ended the e-mail by saying how much he looked up to and admired me and had always considered me as a father figure and just wanted to say thanks. Wow!

This just brings home the point about how we can make or break the students we teach; about how our students hinge on every word we say (no matter how meaningless it might appear to us at the time). We have an awesome power and influence over the children we teach. I guess if I could do it all over again, I think I would be less critical of their mistakes and would offer more encouragement and hope. Instead of pointing out all of their faults, I would be a better listener and role model. I would judge less and instead of dwelling on their short comings, emphasize their uniqueness and strengths. I have come to understand over the past 29-years that not everyone can be a teacher. Yes, they may have a

classroom and knowledge of a content, but they aren't a teacher. Teaching is not just a profession, it is a CALLING, and you either have it or you don't!

I believe the "fuel" our teachers need is to hear from parents and students about the differences they have made and are making in their lives. I believe that the more we recognize the special things our staff is doing, the better all of us in the school system can become. In order to accomplish this, Spearman ISD would like to implement an activity in which any parents and/or students can nominate a special teacher for making a difference in their lives. To nominate a teacher for this special recognition, please drop by or mail a letter to

the Office of the Superintendent, 403, East 11th Avenue stating the teacher's name and explaining what that teacher has done to make a difference (be as specific as you can). Our goal is to recognize all teachers who have been nominated and to publish articles in the local newspaper about these special teachers!

I ask you to please join me in saluting our teachers in recognition of Teacher Appreciation Week. In addition, like the e-mail I received from one of my former students, I encourage you to take just a minute to also track down and write a note to that special teacher in your life. You can not realize how much difference you can make and the smile you will bring to that individual!

### Research Takes Big Picture of Wheat Streak Mosaic

Seeing a field of damage confirms a wheat streak mosaic problem exists. Seeing it in fields across multiple counties at one time puts the problem into perspective.

Regionwide perspective is needed to determine how much the disease costs producers and how important it is to begin breeding for resistance.

David Jones, Texas Agricultural Experiment Station research associate at Bushland, is using remote sensing to get the big picture.

Wheat streak mosaic, vectored by the wheat curl mite, is the predominant viral disease found in Texas Panhandle wheat, Jones said. Damage can be minimal, but the disease also can wipe out entire fields.

With the wet summer last year, Jones is predicting a high occurrence of wheat streak this year.

With the amount of wheat growing in the Panhandle, sampling every field is almost impossible. In past surveys, about 10 fields per county were sampled, but Jones said this doesn't provide an accurate picture.

He is pulling together a combination of satellite imagery, aerial photographs and "ground truth" data (actual information in the field), to more accurately estimate the extent of the disease.

"It's important for farmers to understand how much production loss occurs," Jones said. "It's an economic factor no one has a grasp of yet."

To get that grasp, Jones inoculates wheat streak mosaic into plots of wheat and then takes spectral readings to determine how infected wheat reflects light.

"Once we understand that better, we can look at aerial and satellite imagery and be able to determine specific characteristics that diseased wheat has," Jones said.

With this data, he will be able to conduct a wheat disease survey of the Panhandle using Landsat imagery. Landsat is a satellite orbiting the Earth that is capable of taking images along seven broad spectral bands ranging from visible to near infrared and one band of thermal infrared.

Because the satellite passes over the same area every 16 days, Jones can monitor changes throughout the growing season.

He also goes to the fields to collect ground truth data, allowing him to physically identify things in the Landsat images and use as check points.

"Once we get all the data, we hope to accurately assess the amount of wheat streak disease in the Panhandle," he said.

This understanding is necessary, because one of the most extensive management practices in this region can cause wheat streak mosaic to spread.

"Because wheat grown for grazing in this area is planted early, it leads to the spread of the disease," he said. "And wheat producers who plant for both grazing and grain can take a hit on both ends."

In wet years, volunteer wheat grows through the summer and into the fall, providing a host for the wheat curl mite. The mites migrate from the volunteer wheat to the early wheat planted for grazing, he said.

"That's where we have a problem," Jones said. "Later planted wheat would break the cycle between summer hosts and winter wheat emerging in the fall."

No chemical application is available to treat the disease and miticides haven't proven effective, he said. The best control method is to destroy volunteer wheat, so the curl mite can't survive.

The information Jones hopes to get will help justify necessary management practices, such as destroying volunteer wheat. It also can be used to justify research dollars requested to develop wheat streak-resistant varieties.

"This is the best way to look at the whole Panhandle at one time in one season," he said. "We know the problem is out there, we just don't know how big it is."



Jordan and Lindsey Short qualified for the state tennis tournament in girls doubles at the regional tennis meet in Abilene. They qualified for the regional tournament by winning first place in district competition. Jordan and Lindsey are the daughters of Kyle and Lisa Short of Spearman.



Tucker Williams was 2nd in District Singles for Gruver High School. He advanced to the Regional Tennis Tournament and finished 4th. Tucker is the son of Ty and Paula Williams.



Laina Grotogut (left) Laci Fitzgearld competed in Singles at the District Tennis Meet for Gruver High School. Laci was the District Champion and Laina the District Runner-Up. This past week, both girls competed in the Regional Tennis Tournament. Laci was 1st place and Laina finished 4th. Laci will be competing at State May 9th & 10th. Laci is the daughter of Curt and Tricia Fitzgearld and Laina is the daughter of Mike and Angela Grotogut.

### FARM SUPPLY, INC.



Farm Supply, Inc. of Gruver recently purchased J&M Service Center in Spearman, taking over operation on Monday, May 2, 2005. Farm Supply partners include (L-R) Bob and Carol Tolleson and Angela and Mike Grotogut. Local employees include Jesus Castaneda (second from right) and Marcelo Hernandez (far right). Other partners include David Grotogut and Mike Yanke. Farm Supply, Inc. will continue to offer the same services offered by J&M Service Center, including tires (flats, computer balance, alignment), light auto mechanic, farm field services, truck tire and repairs, a 24-hour fuel card pump, irrigation oil delivery and irrigation engine field work. Their hours of operation will be Monday-Friday from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Saturdays from 8 a.m. to noon.

### WEEKEND WEATHER FORECAST

THURSDAY NIGHT - Mostly cloudy with a 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Lows in the lower 50s. South winds 10 to 15 mph.  
FRIDAY - Mostly cloudy in the morning then becoming partly cloudy. A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Breezy. Highs in the upper 70s. South winds 15 to 25 mph. Gusts up to 40 mph in the afternoon.  
FRIDAY NIGHT - Partly cloudy with a 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Breezy. Lows in the lower 50s. South winds 15 to 25 mph. Gusts up to 40 mph in the evening.  
SATURDAY - Partly cloudy with a 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Highs in the upper 70s. Southwest winds 10 to 15 mph.  
SATURDAY NIGHT - Partly cloudy with a 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Lows in the upper 40s.  
SUNDAY - Partly cloudy with a 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Highs in the mid 70s.  
SUNDAY NIGHT - Partly cloudy. Lows in the upper 40s.



# Live, Laugh & Love



by Catherine R. Smith  
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My friends Sheri Benton and Andrea Barrera both sent me the following story. I don't know who wrote it, but it is a beautiful story and very appropriate for Mother's Day.

## Being a Mother

After 21 years of marriage, My wife wanted me to take another woman out to dinner and a movie.

She said, "I love you but I know this other woman loves you and would love to spend some time with you."

The other woman that my wife wanted me to visit was my MOTHER, who has been a widow for 19 years, but the demands of my work and my three children had made it possible to visit her only occasionally.

That night I called to invite her to go out for dinner and a movie. "What's wrong, are you well," she asked?

My mother is the type of woman who suspects that a late night call or a surprise invitation is a sign of bad news.

"I thought that it would be pleasant to spend some time with you," I responded.

"Just the two of us." She thought about it for a moment, and then said, "I would like that very much."

That Friday after work, as I drove over to pick her up I was a bit nervous. When I arrived at her house, I noticed that she, too, seemed to be nervous about our date. She waited in the door with her coat on.

She had curled her hair and was wearing the dress that she had worn to celebrate her last wedding anniversary. She smiled from a face that was as radiant as an angel's. "I told my friends that I was going to go out with my son, and they were impressed," she said, as she got into the car.

"They can't wait to hear about our meeting". We went to a restaurant that, although not elegant, was very nice and cozy.

My mother took my arm as if she were the First Lady. After we sat down, I had to read the menu. Her eyes could only read large print. Half way through the entries, I lifted my eyes and saw Mom sitting there staring at me. A nostalgic smile was on her lips.

"It was I who used to have to read the menu when you were small," she said. "Then it's time that you relax and let me return the favor," I responded.

During the dinner, we had an agreeable conversation--nothing extraordinary but catching up on recent events of each other's life. We talked so much that we missed the movie.

As we arrived at her house later, she said, "I'll go out with you again, but only if you let me invite you." I agreed.

"How was your dinner date?" asked my wife when I got home. "Very nice. Much more so than I could have imagined," I answered.

A few days later, my mother died of a massive heart attack. It happened so suddenly that I didn't have a chance to do anything for her.

Some time later, I received an envelope with a copy of a restaurant receipt from the same place mother and I had dined. An attached note said: "I paid this bill in advance. I wasn't sure that I could be there; but nevertheless, I paid for two plates - one for you and the other for your wife. You will never know what that night meant for me. I love you, son."

At that moment, I understood the importance of saying in time: "I LOVE YOU" and to give our loved ones the time that they deserve.

Nothing in life is more important than your family.

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 :)

## Words from Faith & Grace

by Cecil R. Biggers, Lutheran Lay Minister

As we enter the week of Easter Seven, we contemplate the meaning of the Ascension of Christ, the suffering of the Faith Community, and our receiving the Holy Spirit. Our lessons are Psalm 68, Acts 1: 6-14, 1 Peter 4:12 - 5:11, and John 17:1-11.

The Psalmist sees God riding on the clouds and His enemies melting as wax before Him. God is the protector of the faithful. Peter reminds us that any suffering we have will be short-lived compared to the joy we have in Christ, and he exhorts us to serve humbly.

John shows us Christ as he prepares to make his sacrifice for the world and he prays for his disciples. Prayer is not temporal, Jesus prayed not for just the twelve, but for all those who believe in Him in all times and places. We are sustained by the prayers of the Christ!

Luke tells us of the Ascension of Jesus; regardless of what interpretation we may give to these events (and there are many), I believe the important message is given by the angels who tell the disciples, "You men of Galilee, why do you stand looking toward heaven? This Jesus who was taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven".

Dear believer, just as on the Mount of Transfiguration, the Ascension is a high point for the Christian; yet, our duties, our service is not in Heaven but here on earth! Don't stand staring into heaven, there is work to be done here and now!

May the Holy Spirit keep your hearts and minds in service to the Lord through acts of beneficence to others.

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This Mother's Day, give her the gift that keeps her love going.

#### Mother's Dream Basket: \$120

A mother's dream for her child is a simple but vital one: Food, shelter, clothing, education. The Mother's Dream Basket provides life-saving animals that do all that and more -- offering precious milk and eggs for food, wool for clothes and the resources to earn income for an education. This basket includes a share of a sheep, a share of a heifer, a share of a goat, a share of rabbits, a flock of ducks and a flock of chicks. It's a special way to fulfill a mother's dream!

There's nothing more special than the love between a mother and child. It's an unconditional and everlasting bond. This Mother's Day, let her know how much you appreciate her love by helping another mother provide unconditional support for her own children. The Mother's Love Basket includes animals that produce nourishing milk for a mother and her family: a share of a heifer, a share of a goat and a share of a water buffalo. It's a true symbol of a mother's love!

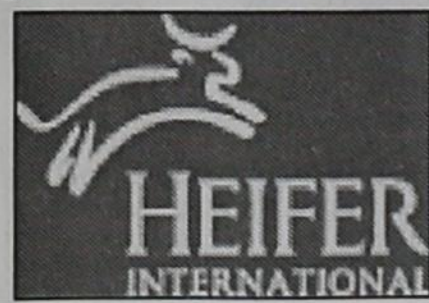
#### Mother's Love Basket: \$85

Every mother wants a healthy environment for her child -- pure air to breathe, clean water to drink and nourishing food to eat. The Mother Earth Basket -- filled with seedlings and honeybees -- offers essential trees that help clean the air and bees that help pollinate fruits, flowers and vegetables. It's ideal for the "green" mom, who loves the outdoors!

#### Mother Earth Basket: \$50

Every mother wants a healthy environment for her child -- pure air to breathe, clean water to drink and nourishing food to eat. The Mother Earth Basket -- filled with seedlings and honeybees -- offers essential trees that help clean the air and bees that help pollinate fruits, flowers and vegetables. It's ideal for the "green" mom, who loves the outdoors!

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#### Thriftshop Policy

Hansford County Library has a policy barring children under 12 from the Thriftshop and the surrounding area outside. No strollers or buggies of any type are allowed in the Thriftshop. This policy is due to overcrowding in a small area and continuing discipline problems. Shoppers are asked to be considerate of the volunteers as well as other shoppers, and leave children under 12 at home.

#### Project Graduation

The parents of the Spearman High School Senior Class of 2005 will sponsor and host a "Project Graduation Party" following commencement exercises Friday, May 27th. To encourage the graduates to stay the entire night, door prizes are awarded throughout the evening. In addition, graduates can earn paper monies through their participation in various games so that prizes can be purchased. The graduation party will culminate with the distribution of grand prizes. Prizes, gift certificates, and cash are needed for the evening's gifts. If you, the community, who supported and encouraged these seniors these past 13 years of school, would be willing to share in this final "Class of 2005" memory, making this project "special", please call Delinda McLaughlin at 659-2800, Stephanie Brock at 659-1774, or Shannon Barnes at 659-5544.

#### Breast Cancer Screening Clinic

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 May 23, 2005. 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 or to schedule an appointment.

#### You're Never Alone - Narcotics Anonymous Group

Each year individuals struggling with drug and alcohol addiction make the resolution to quit using drugs. For many of them it is a resolution that they cannot keep. Narcotics Anonymous can help. Open meetings are held on Thursday nights from 8-9 p.m. at the First Christian Church (29 S. Bernice in Spearman) for the "You're Never Alone" group of Narcotics Anonymous. Anyone interested is invited to attend. Drug addiction can leave an individual feeling helpless and out of control.

#### Colt Cluck Memorial Tri-State Rodeo Scholarship

The Tri-State Rodeo is now accepting donations for the Colt Cluck Memorial Scholarship. Donations may be mailed to: Colt Cluck Memorial Scholarship, Tri-State Rodeo, PO Box 1414, Canyon, Texas 79015. For more information, contact Craig Cooper at (806) 733-5200.

#### Panhandle Crisis Center Outreach Office

Panhandle Crisis Center (PCC) has an Outreach Office in the Pittman-Shieldknight Building, 511 SW 11th Avenue, Suite 105, in Spearman. In case of emergencies, please continue to call the hotline, 1-800-753-5308. To schedule an appointment with a worker in Hansford County, please call 659-3391 to leave a message, or call the hotline number above. Panhandle Crisis Center serves victims of domestic violence and sexual assault. Please call for more information regarding PCC's services.

#### SojoCircle to study God's Politics

A SojoCircle, in connection with Sojourners magazine, is currently forming to study the book *God's Politics* by Jim Wallace. SojoCircles are prayer, study, and discussion groups that invite its members to share issues of faith, hope, and peace. *God's Politics* offers a canon call to make both our religious communities and our government more accountable to key values of the prophetic religious tradition - that is, make them pro-justice, pro-peace, pro-environment, pro-quality, pro-consistent, ethic of life, and pro-family. These are the values of love and justice, reconciliation, and community that Jesus taught and that are at the core of what many of us believe, Christian or not. ANYONE interested is invited. For more information or to join, contact Cathy Smith at 659-3434 or 659-3477 or [cathysmith@antden.com](mailto:cathysmith@antden.com) (or visit [www.sojo.net](http://www.sojo.net) for information about SojoCircles). The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, May 10, 2005 from 4-5 p.m. at the First Christian Church in Spearman.

#### Project Graduation Fund Raiser

Project Graduation, an event sponsored by the parents of the Class of 2005 to provide a safe and memorable activity following commencement exercises, is hosting a Pizza Hut fund-raiser on Monday, June 7th. When accompanied by a Project Graduation form, the Spearman Pizza Hut is graciously donating 20% of receipt proceeds to this worthy project. Forms may be picked up as you enter the Pizza Hut. Parents and students of the class of 2005 encourage you to mark your calendar to patronize the Pizza Hut on these dates. Thank you for your help in making this fundraiser a success!

#### Digital Camera Class

A digital camera class is being offered on May 10 & 12 at Spearman High School, 6:30-8:30pm. The cost of the class will be \$20.00. Anyone interested in learning how to import, scan and edit digital photos is encouraged to attend. Participants should bring their camera to class. To register call Cindy Blackman, 659-3233. (If you are interested in other computer classes, let Cindy know.)

#### Walk Across Texas!

You know you should get regular exercise but you need some motivation? Call Peggy Winegarner, Hansford County Extension Agent, at 659-4130 or 733-2901, to find out how you can Walk Across Texas. The easy, eight-week health and fitness program encourages participants to record miles walked toward a group goal equal to the distance across Texas. The Extension fitness program requires only a pair of walking shoes and a desire to improve your health. Walking is encouraged, but 15 minutes of other aerobic exercise such as running, bicycling, swimming, dance or step aerobics also count as a mile. The goal is to add healthful physical activity to lower blood pressure, trim pounds and reduce risks from heart disease and diabetes. The program allows participants to exercise at a time and place that's convenient for them and to do so alone or with family, friends, neighbors or co-workers. You may participate as an individual or as a team made up of 8 people who keep track of the amount they walk. Tracking miles may be done the usual hard-copy way, or on an internet website, and continued past the 8-week time frame, if desired. Immediate benefits include increased energy levels and feeling less stressed. Walk Across Texas lasts through June 11th.

#### Memorial Day Wreaths

Memorial Day wreaths are available now from the Golden Spread Senior Citizens. Some special orders will be taken, but should be placed as soon as possible as supplies are limited. For more information, contact Kathy Bryant at 659-3030, or stop by the Sr. Citizens Center at 502 South Brandt in Spearman.

#### 3rd Annual Cinco de Mayo Celebration

The 3rd Annual Cinco de Mayo Celebration is scheduled for Saturday, May 7, 2005. Activities will be held on main street from noon to 5 p.m., with a dance ending festivities for the day. Ritmo Loco will be featured at the dance, which will be held from 8 p.m. to midnight at the O'Loughlin Center. Admission is \$10 per person, with children under 10 admitted free. Booth space is available for \$10, and may be reserved by contacting the Spearman Chamber of Commerce at 659-5555.

#### Cinco de Mayo Celebration Salsa Contest

The Women's Division of the Spearman Chamber of Commerce is sponsoring a Salsa Contest on May 7, 2005 in conjunction with the Cinco de Mayo Celebration. Entries are \$5 each, and must be at Courthouse Square by 11 a.m. on the 7th. There will be three categories (Mild, Medium and Hot) and a grand prize awarded in each category. For more information, call the Chamber of Commerce at 659-5555.

#### Miss Hansford Scholarship Pageant

The Women's Division of the Spearman Chamber of Commerce will present "Once Upon A Time," the 2005 Miss Hansford Scholarship Pageant, on June 7, 2005 at 7 p.m. in the Spearman High School Auditorium. Age divisions are: Little Miss, 4-6; Junior Miss, 7-9; Pre-teen, 10-12; Miss Teen, 13-16; and Miss Hansford, 17-21. Entry forms are available at the Spearman Chamber of Commerce, Dreamer's Salon and Little Tiffanys in Gruver. The deadline for entries is 5 p.m. on May 6, 2005. For information, contact Jodie Hight at 659-3720.

#### Beware of FAFSA Web Scam

Seniors, senior parents, and parents of college students should use the web site [www.fafsa.ed.gov](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov) when filling out their Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) online. There is currently a website that has found an interesting way to get in the college-bound's pocket. Known as [fafsa.com](http://fafsa.com), the website charges a fee for submitting the application. There is no fee for submitting the fafsa form on the [www.fafsa.ed.gov](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov) site.



I am Joe Garcia. I am a candidate for the Spearman ISD Board of Trustees. Mary and I have raised our three children in the Spearman educational system. I want to be your voice. I would appreciate your vote on May 7th.

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# Happy Birthday!

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

Thank you, Catherine

**May 5**  
**Birthday** - Olivia Cazares, Kevin Spivey, Joan Lee, Buena Lyons, Mrs. W.W. Weaver, Becky Hutchison, Debbie Fletcher, Debbie Evans, Jim Shields, Wallace Price, Melva Nichols, Venita Womack, Sawyer Sutterfield, DeeDee Longoria, Marva Roselius, Gary Gumfory

**May 6**  
**Birthday** - Mike O'Connell, Robin Hargis, Cecil Fryer Jr., Andrea Archer, Raymond Jenkins, Audrey Regen, Joan Dahl, Sybil Vera, Dr. Darrell Duke, Angie McCarney, Tim Smith, Tyler Schnell

**May 7**  
**Birthday** - Allan Beasley, Bette Burk, Chris Deakin, Ashley Gammon, Helen Holt, Adelaida Vela, Stephanie Bayless, Scott McCloy, Carley Coomer, Becky Reagan  
**Anniversary** - Ramon & Trish Rosales

**May 8**  
**Birthday** - Cody MacBeen, Kris Horton, Allan McCloy, Mike Pierce, Richard Pipkin, Pat Cudd, Carla Barkley, Phil Tripp, Monica Cantu, Denice Bridges, Clydeen Ramsey  
**Anniversary** - M/M Don Hudson, Curtis & Bonnie Gross

**May 9**  
**Birthday** - Teresa Barkley, James Burk, A.J. Lopez, Bobby Thompson, Jerry Virden, Tommy Gamblin, Chuck Sparkman, L.T. Wright, Dusty Ellis, Alicia Francis, Ruby McLain, Toni Davis, Liz Cazares, Julie May, Nikkie Stork  
**Anniversary** - M/M Dale Hodge

**May 10**  
**Birthday** - Sandi Foster, Hayley Garland, Paula Williams, Butch Lasater, Teresa Kirk, Alva Garner, Brenda Shieldknight, Kevin Bellows, Deborah Randell, Paul Garza Jr., Robert Howell, Adrian Garza, Tashiana Schumann, Troy Seagler, Tammy Mitchell, Abigail DeLeon, Bonnie Novak  
**Anniversary** - M/M Harley Murrell, M/M Gary Evans, M/M Ray Gibson

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

**May 12**  
**Birthday** - Kristin Evans, John Holland, Trevor Ferguson, Deanna Johnson, Dave Karlin, Jimmy Greene, Hazel Scott, Gary Gumfory, Ernesto Puentes, Karen Hamilton, Toni Atwood, Bonnie Benson, Anita Spivey, Lauren Carter, Karen Hodge, Kenneth Redwine  
**Anniversary** - M/M Bob Davis

**May 13**  
**Birthday** - Kerry Foster, Billy Horton, Cora Meyer, Terry Butt, Roy Stinson, Henry Babitzke, Tom Fanning, Sarah Moore

**May 14**  
**Birthday** - Nancy Barkley, Debbie Deeds, Gerald TeBeest, Vickie Kay Hand, Patsy Barrera, Fran Quinby, Janice Gerrad, Luis Garcia, Sharon Seagler, Eric Titus, Jim Bartimus, Chris Johnson, Buck Tidwell, David Terry, Brandy Shelton, Sue Gerardy, Kevin Harris  
**Anniversary** - M/M Felipe Lomeli

**May 15**  
**Birthday** - Barbara Cluck, Monte Cluck, Brooke Holt Ruhlman, Jamie Maize, Tommy Russell, Charles Eaton, Wayne Cook, Francisco Borunda Jr., Tommie Mitchell, Luis Moreno, Trent Seagler, Ortha Fay Watkins, Trena Horton, Sadie Goodall, Janeen Baumgardner, Jean Armes, Bryan Dudley, Jennifer Traylor, Lance Smith  
**Anniversary** - M/M Don Kjos

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

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

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

## Ask the Doctor about Lymphoma

Patients, Caregivers Invited to Free Program to Answer Treatment Questions

**WHO:** Seah H. Lim, M.D., Ph.D. is the Chief of the Division of Hematology and Oncology at the Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer Center in Amarillo, Texas. Dr. Lim is an expert on antibody therapies for the treatment of B-cell lymphoma.

Patients with non-Hodgkin's lymphoma, their families and caregivers are invited to attend.

Representatives from the Amarillo, Texas Chapter of the Lymphoma Research Foundation will also be available to provide lymphoma patients and their families with information on programs, resources, and support to meet their needs in dealing with the disease.

**WHAT:** The "Ask the Doctor" presentation, which is free of charge and open to the public, brings the latest information about lymphoma and its treatments to local communities across the country. These two-hour programs feature a presentation led by a leading lymphoma specialist followed by an extensive question and answer session. Light refreshments will be served.

Dr. Lim will be leading the "Ask the Doctor" program and will provide an overview of lymphoma and common treatments. Specifically, he will discuss what monoclonal antibodies are and how they are approached, and ongoing research in targeted therapies for treatment of non-Hodgkin's lymphoma.

**WHEN:** Tuesday, May 10, 2005; 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.  
**WHERE:** Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer Center Auditorium, 1500 Wallace Blvd., Amarillo, TX 79106

Registration is free, but you must RSVP. To register call (800) 500-9976, or email [spellman@lymphoma.org](mailto:spellman@lymphoma.org). Participants must provide name, phone number, and mailing address.

**WHY:** Lymphoma is the most common blood cancer and the third most common cancer of childhood. Nearly 500,000 Americans suffer from some form of lymphoma. In 2005 alone, approximately 1,040 people from Texas died from lymphoma, and over 3,050 more have been diagnosed with the disease.

The mission of the Lymphoma Research Foundation (LRF) is to eradicate lymphoma and serve those touched by the disease. The Foundation is the nation's largest lymphoma-focused voluntary health organization devoted exclusively to funding lymphoma research and providing patients and healthcare professionals with critical information on the disease. To date, LRF has funded more than \$24 million in lymphoma research. Over 85 cents of every dollar raised goes to research and education programming. People affected by lymphoma can receive free personalized information tailored to their diagnosis, help with finding a clinical trial, and easy-to-understand information on lymphoma, current treatments, and promising research. Please call 800-500-9976, email [helpline@lymphoma.org](mailto:helpline@lymphoma.org), or visit the website [www.lymphoma.org](http://www.lymphoma.org).

## Our Sympathy

### DR. JOSEPH NEWTON HOLT

FORT WORTH - Dr. Joseph Newton Holt, 91, died Monday, May 2, 2005.

Memorial services were at 3 p.m. on Wednesday, May 4, 2005 in First Presbyterian Church. Burial will be at 2 p.m. Saturday in Holt Cemetery in Hutchinson County by Boxwell Brothers Funeral Home of Spearman. The body will be available for viewing at Boxwell Brothers Funeral Home in Spearman until noon on Saturday.

Dr. Holt was born Aug. 29, 1913, in the Holt Community, Hutchinson County to Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Calvin Holt. He graduated from Spearman High School and attended college at the University of Missouri in Columbia, Missouri. He was employed for seven years as a County Agent in Missouri before entering Veterinary School at Kansas State University. He received his Doctor of Veterinary Medicine and graduated as a member of Phi Zeta, the honor society for Veterinary Medicine. Upon graduation he moved his family to Dallas where he opened Holt Veterinary Hospital on Yale Blvd. He was an active member of the Dallas County Veterinary Medical Association and also served as President. He also belonged to the Texas Veterinary Medical Association and the American Veterinary Medical Association. Dr. Holt was an active member of Highland Park Methodist Church, past President of the 50-50 Sunday School Class, past member of the Board of Stewards, past President of the Mr. and Mrs. Sunday School Class.

Newton Holt had a wonderful, caring spirit. He spent his time after retirement participating in the pastoral care program at Highland Park Methodist Church by calling on and assisting the homebound, helping the church intern ministers develop their talents and taking individuals from Dickinson Place grocery shopping.

Following the death of his wife, he moved to Fort Worth and began again helping with church programs at First Presbyterian Church and making sandwiches for the homeless. He had a wonderful attitude and set an example for others to follow.

He was a longtime resident of Dallas before moving to Fort Worth. He was preceded in death by his wife of 52 years, his parents, two brothers, O.C. and Fred Holt; and two sisters, Maudie Marshall and Myrtle Farrington.

Survivors include two daughters, Jo Ann Holt Norton and Barbara Sue Holt Beyer; a brother, Nolan Holt of Spearman; seven grandchildren; 12 great-grandchildren; and his wonderful friend, Mrs. Deanie Valder.

The family suggests memorials be to Holt Cemetery Association, 906 S. Bernice St., Spearman, TX 79081; or Presbyterian Night Shelter, 1500 Presidio St., Fort Worth, TX 76102.

### LORETTA WILBANKS BOYD

AMARILLO - Loretta Wilbanks Boyd of Amarillo died March 20, 2005. Graveside services were held at Hansford Cemetery in Spearman at 11:00 A.M. on March 22, 2005.

Loretta was born in Hansford County to Ed and Ruby Wilbanks on June 19, 1914. After the death of her husband, Mallie Boyd, in 1945, she moved to Amarillo with her three children.

She is survived by her three children: Sally Davis of Dennison, Texas, Ron Boyd of Amarillo and James Boyd of Bandera, Texas and one sister Jo Ann Hawkins.

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<p><b>Gruver United Methodist</b> Broadway &amp; Garrett 733-2651 Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Worship: 8:30 &amp; 10:50 a.m. Eve. Worship &amp; UMY: 6 p.m. Pastor - George Price</p> <p><b>Spanish Cristo Redentor Church</b> Sunday Mass: 1:30 p.m. Friday Evening Mass Summer - 8:00 p.m. Fall/Winter - 7:30 p.m.</p>	<p><b>Oslo</b></p> <p><b>Oslo Lutheran Church (ELCA)</b> 6 Miles West &amp; 12 Miles North of Gruver 339-7709 Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Worship: 11 a.m. Pastor - Paul Fiske</p>	<p><b>Waka</b></p> <p><b>Waka Church of the Brethren</b> 435-4598</p>
<p><b>Morse</b></p> <p><b>Morse Baptist Church</b> 733-2757 Pastor - Mike Martin</p>	<p><b>Deakin</b></p> <p><b>ELECTRIC</b> OILFIELD • RESIDENTIAL • COMMERCIAL 321 S. MAIN • SPEARMAN 1-800-999-1506 806) 659-5016 Chris Deakin President</p>	

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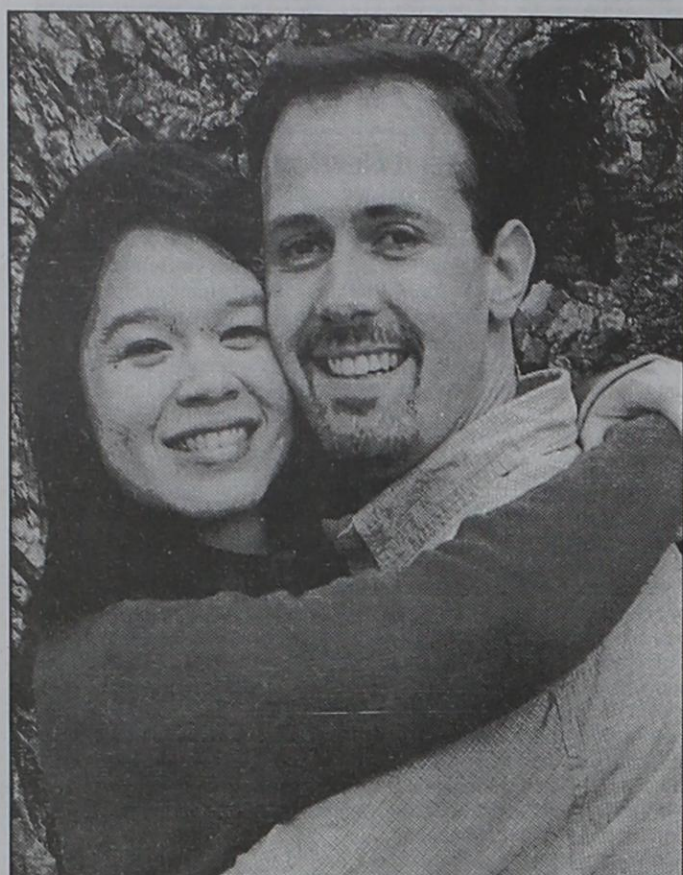


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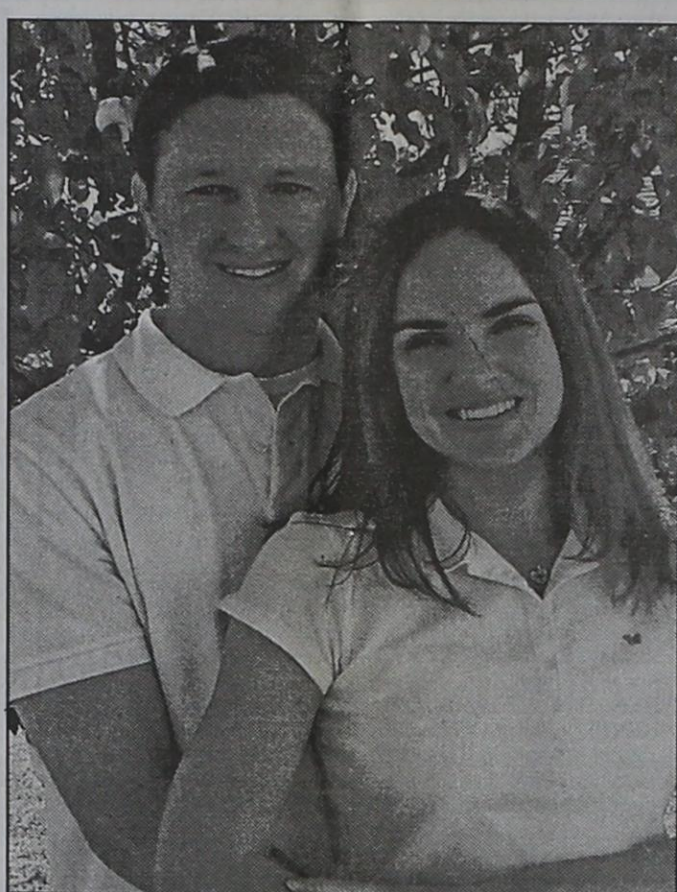
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**Engagement Announcement**

Harry and Lucy Leo of San Antonio are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter, Tandalee Michele, to Ben Hudson Harris. Ben is the son of Kenneth and Jean Harris of Gruver and the grandson of Glen and Faye Harris and Don and Dorothy Hudson, all of Gruver. Tandalee received a Bachelor of Social Work degree from the University of Mary-Hardin Baylor in 2000, followed by a Master's degree in Social Work from Baylor University in 2001. Ben holds degrees in music from Frank Phillips College (1998), Oklahoma Baptist University (2000), and Baylor University (2002). He is currently working as a freelance accompanist at Baylor University in Waco. Ben and Tandalee will be married on July 3, 2005 at Day Spring Baptist Church in Waco.



**Engagement Announcement**

Martin and Piper Woodruff of Troup, Texas are proud to announce the engagement of their daughter, Tomi Michelle, to Jeffrey Michael Price. Jeffrey is the son of Michael Price of Coppell, Texas and Glenna Harris of Round Rock, Texas. He is the grandson of Glen and Faye Harris of Gruver and Will and Ethel Price of Lewisville, Texas. The wedding is set for June 28, 2005 at First Baptist Church in Wright City, Texas. The couple will make their home at 625 E Vista Ridge Mall Drive, Apt #114, Lewisville, Texas 75067.

**Stationmasters House Museum Minutes**

The Stationmasters House Museum meet on March 14, 2005 at the Zulu building of the museum. The Tourism Evaluation of the Texas Historical Commission report was received. It stated that the museum had a good location, large facility, friendly and knowledgeable staff, and interesting artifacts and memorabilia. The museum could improve on our signs, make our Native American hearth more visible and improve the school. Discussion was held on the King & Queen for the Heritage Days celebration. Also a display on Johnny Lee, and helping with the City of Gruver's 75th celebration.

You're invited to attend a **Bridal Shower** honoring **Tony Clement & Amy Marsh** on Saturday, May 7th from 10:00 - 11:30 a.m. in the home of Pat and Mike Cudd 22 Golden Circle • Spearman, Texas

You're invited to attend a **Bridal Shower** honoring **Heather Reimer** bride-elect of Jeffrey Stowers on Saturday, May 7th from 2:00 - 3:30 p.m. in the First Christian Church 29 South Bernice • Spearman, Texas

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- Cassandra Harrison & Landon Swan
- Delma Hernandez & Hector Diaz
- Amy Marsh & Tony Clement
- Kyna (Shields) & Joseph Hudson
- Nicole Lozano & Wesley Clymer
- Cami Winegarner & Jody Meason
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### Morse Days set for May 13

The community of Morse invites to bring a lawn chair and come join the fun at the Annual Morse Days on Friday, May 13th. There will be a picture on display of the Morse Community taken on July 20, 1929. This picture was donated by Laverne Parks. There will be small animal vaccines at the Community Center from 2:30 until 4:00 provided by the Hansford County Veterinarian Hospital (Remember rabies cases have been reported in Hansford County). At 4 PM the Pie Judging will be held at the Community Center; at 4:30 parade participants need to meet at the Equity Elevators with the Morse Day Parade beginning at 5. The hamburger feed at Morse Park begins at 6 and is provided by the Morse Lions Club. At 6:30 at the Morse Park there will be games for all ages followed by an ice cream social and pie auction. At 8 PM enjoy the Tristate Band for some good ole' country and western tunes. Fireworks will go off at 10 PM.

This event is sponsored by the Morse 4-H Club and proceeds will go to benefit the Morse 4-H Club and the community of Morse. Contact Margaret Reid at 733-2348 or Donna Millican at 733-2635 for further information.

### Rabies Clinic scheduled

To The Citizens of Spearman, Texas:

Whereas, the Hansford County Veterinary Hospital in conjunction with the City of Spearman Animal Control Department will conduct a rabies/vaccinations clinic; and

Whereas, this clinic will be held at the Hansford County Veterinary Hospital located at 405 County Road # 24, Spearman, Texas on Monday, May 16 through Friday, May 20, 2005 from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.; and

Whereas, discounted fees for the vaccinations and tests for dogs and cats that will be offered is Rabies Vaccination \$7.00, DHLPC (Distemper-Parvo) \$17.00, Feline Leukemia \$14.00, FVRCP Rabies (Feline Rabies & Distemper) \$17.00; and Feline Leukemia Test \$20.00; and Kennel Cough \$7.00; and

Whereas, City tags for male and female cats and dogs will be \$10.00, while neutered male cats and dogs and spayed female cats and dogs will carry a \$5.00 tag fee.

I, Steve Benton, mayor of the City of Spearman do encourage all owners of pets to help control any outbreak by having their pets vaccinated during this week long clinic.

Dated the 2nd day of May, Two Thousand and five.

Mayor Steve Benton

### Gruver College Fund

As we near graduation time we're reminded of the many, many people and businesses that donated to our Gruver College Fund in 2004! What a wonderful response we had, giving \$9,500.00 in scholarships to the graduating seniors of Gruver High School.

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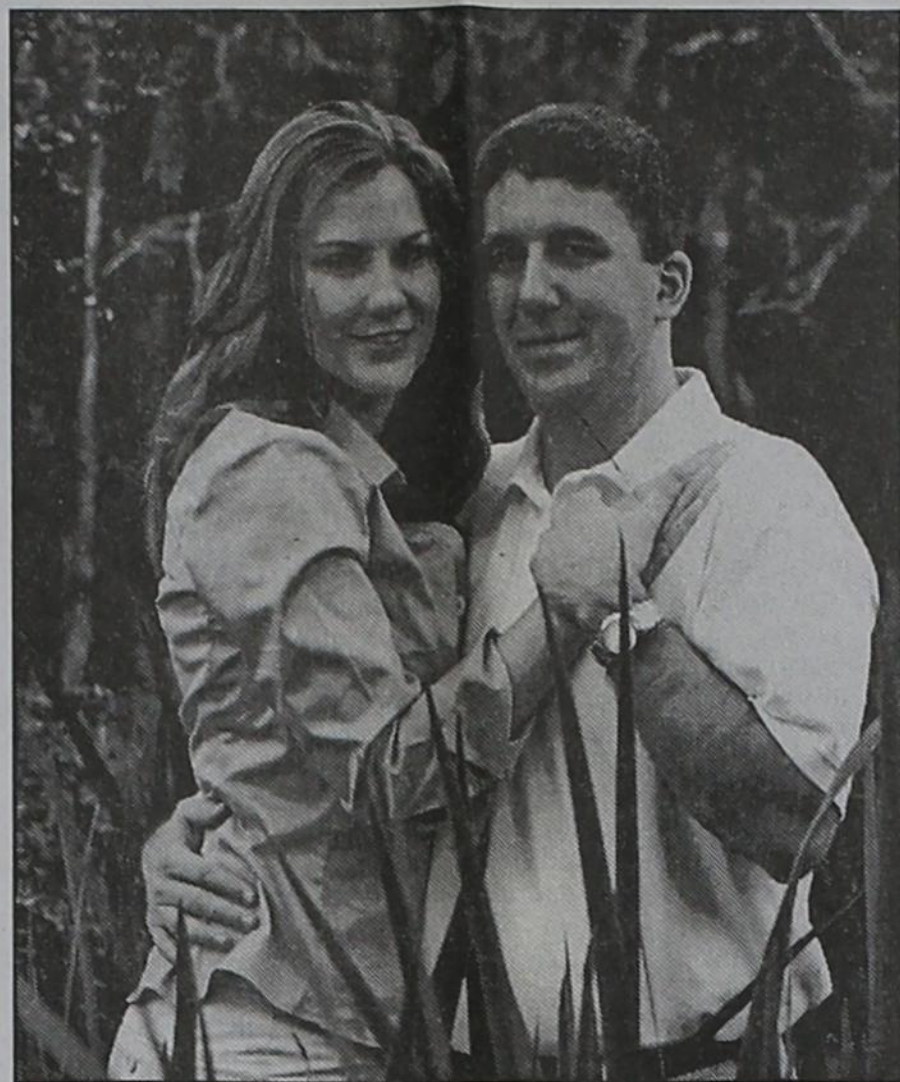
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### Engagement Announcement

Travis and Karon Swink of Spearman announce the engagement of their daughter, Lisa Michelle Swink, to Eric Matthew Vasbinder. Lisa is the granddaughter of Herman and Leola Blanton of Stinnett.

Vasbinder is the son of Louise and Dennis Vasbinder of Reynoldsville, Pennsylvania.

The couple plans to wed September 4 at Ashleyann Manor in Magnolia, Texas.

The bride-elect was a 1999 graduate of Spearman High School and a May 2004 graduate of Texas Tech University with a Bachelor of Science in Chemical Engineering. She is a process automation engineer for Dow Chemical Company.

The prospective groom received a Bachelor of Science in Chemical Engineering in May 1999 from Bucknell University in Lewisburg, Pennsylvania. In May 2004 he received a Doctor of Philosophy in Chemical Engineering from Texas Tech University. He is a process applications engineer for Exxon Mobil Chemical in Houston.



### Engagement Announcement

Jim and Linda Travis of Spearman, Texas are pleased to announce the engagement of

their daughter, Dineke Travis, to Brett Holmes of Arlington, Texas. He is the son of Wylie and Lavelle Holmes of Rowlett, Texas.

Dineke is a 1999 graduate of Spearman High School and a full time student at the University of Texas at Arlington. She is an elementary education major.

Brett is a 1998 graduate of Canyon Creek Christian Academy. He is a part-time student at the University of Texas at Arlington majoring in Business. Brett is currently employed at SBC as an assistant protection manager.

The wedding is set for July 2nd, 2005 at 6:00 P.M. at Victory Baptist Church in Rowlett, Texas. The couple plans to reside in Arlington after the wedding.

### Market Day in the Park

Gruver Chamber of Commerce will host the 2nd Annual Market in the Park on Saturday, May 21st at the Gruver City Park from 10:00 A.M. until 3:00 P.M. The 20' X 20' booth spaces are \$15.00 each. All types of booths are welcome such as: crafts, antiques, garden decor, gifts, food, fun, jewelry, skin care products and much more! Proceeds from last years booth rentals were used to purchase a sound system for use during events in park. They look forward to an even bigger and better Market Day in the Park this year. For more information contact: Gruver City Hall at 806-733-2424, Lisa Salmans at 806-733-2861 after 5 p.m. or Holly McLain at 806-733-5040 from 10-5 weekdays.

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by Dorothy Hudson  
**Out At The Lake**

Lake Level--May 2, 2005-30.81 feet

Jim reported .74 inch in the office rain gauge from the Sunday rain. It was a gentle rain that soaked in rather than helped raise the lake level.

Manuel Jimenez of Turpin, Oklahoma, who caught the record-breaking Blue Catfish on April 23, is not one of the regulars that fish at Lake Palo Duro. He and a friend came to the Lake to camp. As they fished from the shore, Manuel caught his big fish with perch bait at 12:30 on Friday night. He put the fish on a stringer, and the next morning when he saw Jim repairing a boat ramp, he asked him to come look at his fish and guess its weight. Jim said, due to the length and not much depth of the fish, he guessed only 25 pounds, but he suggested they weigh it on his hand scales. When it registered over 28.5 pounds, they went up to the office and used the certified scales, and thus found that Manuel had the record Blue Catfish for Lake Palo Duro at 28.78 pounds.

While Jim filled out the papers, he asked Manuel if he had a Texas fishing license--one of the requirements. He replied that he did and that it had cost him \$55. I hadn't realized that out-of-state licenses were so expensive.

The cliff swallows that build the jug-like condos on the bridge and intake tower came back last week. White pelicans have been seen circling the Lake, but Jim didn't know if they landed. He saw two red-headed woodpeckers and a black-headed grosbeak at the Derington bird feeder.

James Cunningham sent us a picture of his huge spruce that towers above the high line at this home on Bernice Street. It has red cones on the top 2 or 3 feet. He is going to do some research and see if they are the female cones instead of the male cones that were on the Hicks' spruce in Gruver.

Could anyone tell me about Clark Monument 10? It is listed as a park on Horseshoe Hill in a chart of Hansford County Landmarks on the County Genweb page. My e-mail address in dhudson862@gruver.net

**Wolf Creek Heritage Museum Notes**

by Virginia Scott

**Museum Happenings**

Well, Wednesday was a fun day, our new shelf for the gift shop arrived. You guessed it, NOT ASSEMBLED. It is a cubed glass shelf made of 20 cubes. It started with all five of us (Lovella was lucky, she was out of town) on the floor opening boxes and looking for instructions and a little hint of where to begin. None to be found, so phone calls to company, instructed us to go to their website for instructions. This revealed a set of instructions and we were off to construction. All was going well with the front lobby area covered with packing materials, glass shelves, merchandise, and museum volunteers discussing and following instructions, when out-of-town first time visitors came in and had a look of "awe" on their faces.

Thank goodness, they were looking for their ancestors, so they ventured in. This depleted our workforce by two (Mildred and Dorothy). Pretty soon, I volunteered to copy photos for the visitors. This left Georgia and Kellie our true builders to complete the task. By closing time, the ladies had completed a 5 square by 4 squares high except they were out of 12 X 12 glass. Another call to the company revealed that we built rectangles not squares. We weren't about to start over so we

just ordered more squares.

At the end our shelf is beautiful, be sure to check it out the next time you are in the museum.

**Museum Mystery**

We have another mystery photo. Ms. Jo Blau, Booker, brought us a photo of Clara Boone, Margaret Millholland Douglas, Rose Merydith Turner, Jo Mills Barton, John Miller, and Myrtle Miller Mugg. Now we know who these people are and we think they are seated at a dinner table in the Lipscomb County Barn. We don't know the year or the occasion for the dinner. Come in and look at the photo and see if you can date it or name the occasion.

**Lipscomb County History**

The first wedding in Lipscomb County was recorded in the Panhandle Interstate on April 29, 1887. The article was entitled "Orange Blossoms". The editor reported it as follows: W. J. Walden and Miss Lydie Seese of Lipscomb county were married by Squire Brown, on the evening of April 21st at the residence of L. Baker.

This is the first wedding that has taken place in the county, and as such it goes upon the record. The affair was intended to be a very quiet one and the editor had no invitation. People who think they can get away from the newspaper man so easily have not counted on their hosts. There was nothing eas-

ier for us than fixing up an excuse to attend the wedding. It was Squire Brown's first officiating, and we actually felt uneasy about the effect it might have upon his nervous system. One Squire Brown is all we have in this part of the state, and we do not care to take any chances on losing him. After providing the stimulants used on such occasions, we lifted his trembling form into the buggy and drove over to Mr. Baker's place on Sand Creek, a distance of five miles. A courier was met on the way who hurried us up as the high contracting parties had been waiting, and were also "scared up allot" as to the mental and physical condition of the 'Squire'. It was some time after dark when we reached the place, and they were so glad to see the Squire.... There being no more time to spare, the 'Squire' was invited to proceed. He adjusted his spectacles on his classic nose, and armed with the Texas laws in such cases made and provided, he told the parties to stand up, and proceeded to make them one which one?

We always try to make ourselves handy, and noticed that the dimness

of the 'Squires' eyes, prevented him from getting hold of the formula just right, so we gracefully arose and held the light full and square on the pages of the book entitled, Texas Form Book. We had a good opportunity to secretly hold up the officiating 'Squire's' agitated form and to watch to countenance of the bride and groom. When the groom answered up strong and full the "I will" to the question, "Wilt thou have this woman to be thy wedded wife?" etc., our mind ran out into the next fourteen months and we could see him snorting and kicking around when his wife asked him to hold the olive branch or chop her an arm load of wood. The broom stick could also be seen flying through the air about the time the husband was caught tracking up the floor with his muddy boots. But I digress.

The ceremony performed, it was in order to congratulate the happy couple. After that was over, Squire Brown was found limp and helpless in the corner. An application was applied in the right place, which brought him around and he was also congratulated.

Next week the reception.

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1931 The World's tallest skyscraper, the Empire State Building, opens.  
1676 Mary Rowlandson, a Massachusetts minister's wife seized by Indians during King Phillip's War, is ransomed after eleven weeks of captivity. Her memoir of the experience, one of the first of a popular American genre, is reprinted about thirty times.

1970 At Kent State University in Ohio, national guardsmen called in to control a student antiwar demonstration open fire, killing four students, and wounding nine.

1945 An Oregon woman and five children are killed by a bomb that falls from a Japanese balloon, one of several balloon bombs directed against the U.S. Pacific coast. These are the only World War II fatalities to occur on the United States mainland.

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# ET CETERA

## Dr. Bubliss' son injured in Iraq

Dr. Paul Bubliss' 24-year-old son, Andy, was injured in the bombing in Mosul, Iraq. He is in the burn unit at Brooke Army Medical Center in San Antonio. He is in the Army, and has been in Iraq for about six months.

Dr. Bubliss and his wife, Ruth, traveled to see him last weekend and were pleased with his progress, stating that he looked very good considering all he had been through.

The breathing apparatus was removed from his mouth on Monday, and a tracheotomy was done. His vital signs have been good, and the CAT scan done over the weekend looked good. However, the family was told that Andy has a fracture at the base of his skull, in addition to the compressed skull fracture on the right side of his head. The basal fracture goes all around the base of the skull and into the sinus/cheek area. The Dr. feels that it will heal itself. The main concern remains the head injuries.

Paul also said that the left arm has stayed swollen, so they are to also do an ultrasound on it today to check for a possible clot.

The brain pressure monitor was removed on Wednesday, and they increased movement.

Efforts to wake him were minimally successful. He did open his eyes, but they were glazed and he was not responsive. When his feet were tickled, he did move them away, though.

The ventilator was removed for a short while, but Andy's breathing became rapid, so it was put back on. He did develop a GI bleed, which could have been caused by the tube in his stomach, and Paul said his temperature reached 104, so they were treating those problems.

We can only hope and continue to pray that he will be okay.

For anyone wishing to send cards/letters, the address is:

1st Lt. Andy Bubliss  
ICU Burn Unit  
Brooke Army Medical Center  
3600 Rawley E Chambers Ave.  
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This has been very difficult on Andy's mom (Leisa Fudge), too. Her husband is making trips to San Antonio on weekends, so he would deliver messages to her. Her address is: Leisa Fudge, 411 S. FM 369, Burkburnett TX 76345.

## Attention SHS ex-students

The Ex-Students' Association needs your help. In order for us to make plans for the 2005 All School Reunion, we need anyone who hasn't already RSVP'd to do so as soon as possible.

If you know you'll be attending the luncheon on July 2, please send your ticket money in advance so we can get a rough head count.

Your dues are also very important to the Association. The money from dues pays for a multitude of expenses; postage and supplies for a total of 6000 mailings; janitorial services, flowers, refreshments, entertainment and supplies for the school assembly; rental of the O'Loughlin Center and various other expenses. The Ex-Students' Association also gives a \$1,600 scholarship each year to a senior graduate, of which the dues pays for.

At this point, we are very short of funds and getting nervous that we won't be able to meet all of our expenses. So, please send in your dues and/or meal money ASAP, even if you are unable to attend the reunion. The address is PO Box 132, Spearman, TX 79081. Please include your name and class year in any correspondence.

## Hansford Hospice Community Golf Scramble

The Hansford Hospice Community Golf Scramble will be held on Saturday, June 4th. Shotgun start will be at 8:30 a.m. For more details, call Verna Lee Shirley at 806-659-5345, or June Jackson at 806-659-2384.

## Gruver Lions Club Junior Olympics

The annual Gruver Lions Club Junior Olympics will be held on Saturday, May 7th at 9:30 a.m.

Events are as follows: Kindergarten - Sanding Broad Jump, Softball Throw and 50 M. Dash; 1st & 2nd Grade - Standing Broad Jump, Softball Throw, 50 M. Dash, 100 M. Dash; 3rd & 4th Grade - Standing Broad Jump, Softball Throw, 50 M. Dash, 100 M. Dash, 200 M. Dash; 5th & 6th Grades - Standing Broad Jump, Softball Throw, 50 M. Dash, 100 M. Dash, 200 M. Dash, 400 M. Relay.

There will be a parent/child 100 M. - 200 M. Relay, if there is enough interest.

## Hansford County Calendar

May 5 - Gus Birdwell Elementary Cinco de Mayo Day; State UIL Academic Meet

May 6 - Gus Birdwell Elementary Kindergarten Mother's Day Tea, 2 p.m.; National Nurse Appreciation Day

May 7 - Gruver ISD prom

May 8 - Mother's Day

May 9 - Gruver ISD All-School picnic; State Tennis & Golf Tournaments

May 11 - Gruver ISD FCCLA end-of-school meeting and officer elections

May 13 - FFA at Tascosa; State Track Meet; Gruver ISD bad weather day - no school

May 16 - Gruver ISD Athletic Banquet

May 17 - Gruver ISD Band Concert, 7 p.m.

May 20 - Gruver ISD bad weather day - no school; Spearman ISD bad weather day - no school

May 22 - Gruver ISD Baccalaureate, 7 p.m.; Gruver United Methodist Church; Spearman ISD Baccalaureate, 7 p.m.; Spearman ISD auditorium

May 26 - Spearman 8th Grade Graduation, 6 p.m.; Gruver 8th Grade Graduation, 8 p.m.

May 27 - Spearman High School Graduation; Gruver High School Graduation, 8 p.m.

May 30 - Memorial Day

# Manor Matters

by Merry Sparks

Did you miss me last week? Just could not quite make the deadline-sorry bout that. Rather than being so tardy with all of the news I will just tell you that we really appreciate that Apostolic Faith and First Christian Churches of Spearman for providing church services to the Manor Residents on the 17th and 24th of April.

The 19th was a special day filled with fun all the way around. The Manor and Hospice hosted a Volunteer Appreciation luncheon at the First Christian Church. The dietary department of the Manor prepared the food and the activities department and hospice provided the decorations and program. Much fun was had by those in attendance. We truly do appreciate ALL of our volunteers and even if you were not able to come to the banquet, we hope that the spirit of thanksgiving for you was felt.

Our younger volunteers were honored at a social earlier in the year. This is a wonderful area of the world to live in because of all the special people here that give so much of themselves. Even that very afternoon, Scooter Russell, Cathy Boyd, Teresa Kirk, Claudine Laxton, Teresa Haddock, Bethany Flores, and Margarette Evans were up at the Manor giving manicures to all that came. Thank you one and all!

On Friday the 22nd all of the activity personnel were obliged to attend a seminar in Amarillo concerning activities in long term care facilities. We are brought up to date on the latest regulations and learn many things. It is always a great networking opportunity. As we were gone for the day, Judy

Yarborough came to our rescue serving the Residents treats and watching a movie with them. Thank you Judy!

Many thanks go out to the Hospice Volunteers for hosting bingo on the 18th and 25th !! The Residents love bingo and loved the desserts ! Many thanks also to the Sacred Heart Catholic Church for all of the wonderful food they brought to the Manor on the 26th for Christian Buffet!! They did an outstanding job on the salads, desserts, lasagna, and everything else. Thanks also go to Anne Whitaker for leading Bible study on the 20th and 27th. We really appreciate you!!

Tuesdays and Wednesdays are busy days for the Residents because we have beauticians that come to the Manor and run the beauty shop. We really appreciate the crew of beauty operators that we have here in Pat Cudd, Barbara Sharp, Sandra McNett, Noreen Sutton, and sometimes we have others that come on other days like Kay Robinson. They are so very good to the Residents and have a genuine concern and love for them. They do their best to keep the Residents looking pretty and are cheerfully adaptive to the hub bub around here.

We have been receiving many, many donations for the garage sale scheduled for the 14th of May. It will be held at 717 W. 7th from 9 am to 6p.m. Thank you to all that have donated for this cause. The proceeds will go to the Empty Stocking Fund for special things that we need for the Residents. We are also having a bake sale that day so come early to get in on the best

goodies!

Many thanks go to the auxiliary for all that they do. They have hosted bingo the last 2 Thursday afternoons and have helped with other projects. We thank them too for the donation for a new chair in the front lobby. Much of the furnishings in the common areas were the same age as the Manor. Time takes a toll on everything and we are really enjoying having some new furniture for the Residents. As time goes by we will continue to upgrade as funds allow. We are currently beginning to work on the garden areas so that they can be enjoyed by all. We are looking forward to summer and the beautiful surroundings that the outdoors will bring.

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A meeting is required under Public Law 103-328, Section 6301 and 6303. Therefore, Spearman Independent School District does hereby solicit your input regarding the development and design of these projects and the equitable participation for children enrolled in your school. Private nonprofit schools are eligible for services under programs included in this application.

This meeting will be held as a part of the Regular School Board Meeting on Monday, May 9, at 7:00 p.m. in the Spearman High School Library located at 403 East 11<sup>th</sup> Avenue in Spearman, Texas. A hearing will be conducted to solicit public comments and input regarding the application for federal funding of Title I-Part A, Title II-Part A & Part D, Title IV, and Title V.

All interested parties and/or directors and designated staff of schools located within the boundaries of the Spearman Independent School District are encouraged to attend.

# SCHOOL BOARD ELECTION

May 7, 2005

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All proposals shall remain in effect for a period of thirty (30) days from the date of receipt unless sooner returned.

A Pre-proposal Conference will held at 10:00 AM, May 10, 2005 at the Board Room, 405 Garrett Street, Gruver Texas

The four-hour bid time limit as observed by AGC shall be in effect on this project.



**SPEARMAN CITY COUNCIL**

In the Spearman City Council race, Kathy Boyd will run against incumbents Brian Gillispie, Alfred Avila and Ron Antalek, for three seats. Voting on May 7th will be conducted at Spearman City Hall from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.

**Ron Antalek**

**Family members:** Beverly Antalek (wife); John Antalek (son)  
**Place of employment:** Antden Online  
**Position/Occupation:** Network Manager  
**What organizations/clubs are you a member of?** Fire Department  
**Church affiliation:** First Christian Church  
**Background/Education:** Graduated Gruver High School (1972), various public safety classes and emergency management  
**Hobbies/Interests:** Woodworking  
**Comments:** Spearman is home. A great place to live and raise a family.

**What do you think the biggest problems are facing the City of Spearman?** Decline in economic conditions. Loss of business and tax base is of great concern.

**What changes or improvements would you seek as a City Council member?** Continue support to city infrastructure, so as to prevent major demands on taxation. Seek a long standing contract for natural gas purchases to help keep utility costs lower.

**What do you view as the role of a member of the city council?** Represent citizens concerns, act as policy makers for city administration. Develop a strong infrastructure for public safety, provide city services in a efficient and frugal manner to all citizens.

**What special qualities or qualifications do you possess which would make you an efficient city councilmember?** 33 years of public safety and involvement with city and county government.

**Additional comments:** I have enjoyed serving our citizens as a representative. If reelected I would continue to represent the citizens to my best ability.

**Alfred Avila**

**Family members:** Wife: Cindy (married 21 years); Daughter: Cha'tea (14 years old); Son: Michael (12 years old)  
**Place of employment:** Cates Men and Boys Wear (24 years)  
**Position/Occupation:** owner  
**What organizations/clubs are you a member of?** Catholic Youth Director, Member Knights of Columbus, Spearman Little League Coach  
**Church affiliation:** Catholic  
**Background/Education:** Spearman High School Graduate  
**Hobbies/Interests:** Basketball, Golf, Volleyball, Chasing after my children in their activities

**What do you think the biggest problems are facing the City of Spearman?** Economic Growth. We need to continue to attract new businesses while supporting the existing businesses.

**What changes or improvements would you seek as a City Council member?** Better communications with all entities for the benefit of all citizens of the community.

**What do you view as the role of a member of the city council?** To listen to the public and to be a voice for all the people.

**What special qualities or qualifications do you possess which would make you an efficient city councilmember?** I feel that I am a good listener and I am very approachable.

**Additional comments:** I would like to thank the citizens of Spearman for their support.

**Kathy Boyd**

**Family members:** David and I have been married for 32 years and he is a partner in North Plains Ins. Our son Justin is part owner of North Plains Ins. and Triangle Internet Service plus the UPS shipping center for Spearman. Justin is married to Kenda, who is a RN at Hansford Hospital and they have a son, Thaxton. Crystal, our daughter, lives in Amarillo and works in the business office of the Acute and Chronic Pain and Spine Center.

**Occupation:** Retired VP/Cashier of a local bank. I fill in as needed in the family businesses.

**What organizations/clubs are you a member of?** I have been associated with the Spearman Chamber of Commerce, the Women's Division of the Chamber, and Financial Women's International. I currently serve as a Lay Representative for the Hansford Co. Library and work with Rainbow Kids Klub.

**Church affiliation:** First United Methodist Church  
**Background/Education:** High school graduate and attended West Texas State University.

**Hobbies/Interests:** Church, golf, spoiling my grandson, and working with my horses.

**What do you think the biggest problems are facing the City of Spearman?** Economic growth and maintaining our local businesses. Drug and alcohol abuse among our youth.

**What changes or improvements would you seek as a City Council member?** An issue that is on every ones mind is the increasing heating costs. Listening to the existing businesses to see what their needs are is important to maintaining these businesses.

**What do you view as the role of a City Council member?** To support our city manager, chief of police, and others in the city hall while being the ears of our community to help make our city government the best it can be. Make the best use of our tax dollars while keeping them as low as possible. Looking for ways to promote our city.

**What special qualities or qualifications do you possess which would make you an efficient City Council member?** Being a property

and business owner gives me a very vested interest in the future of Spearman. I am open minded and I will consider what is best for the greatest number of citizens.

**Comments:** All boards, organization, etc. benefit by having persons from diverse backgrounds. I would like the opportunity to offer a new dimension to the council.

**Brian Gillispie**

**Family Members:** Wife-Gina. Children-Mattie Davis, Charles Davis, Grace Calvert  
**Place of Employment:** First National Bank, Spearman (14 years)  
**Position/Occupation:** Senior Vice President  
**What organizations/clubs are you a member of?** Lions Club, First United Methodist Church, President - Spearman Economic Development Corporation Board.

**Church Affiliation:** First United Methodist Church, Spearman  
**Background/Education:** Gruver High School graduate, BBA Texas Tech University, SWGSB Graduate School of Banking - SMU

**Hobbies/Interests:** Golfing, coin collecting, ponds and gardening

**What do you think the biggest problems are facing the City?** One of the largest problems facing Spearman is being able to provide the services that the citizens want on a limited or declining tax base. Another related issue is continuing to work to expand this tax base through new economic or commercial development or to retain the current level of retail and service industries that are currently privately provided in the City.

**What changes or improvements would you seek as a city councilman?** The City is currently in very sound financial condition thanks to the work of prior city councils. The council has also been very good to listen to the concerns of the people and be reactive to those concerns. When elected to another term, I would continue the work that the Economic Development Corporation has begun. If we as citizens are not proactive, then our community will continue to decline in population.

**What do you view as the role of a member of the city council?** I believe the role of a city councilman is to act as a representation of the citizens of Spearman. It is the alderman's role to listen to the different opinions of our citizens and then set policy accordingly for the city of Spearman. It is not the role of the city council to "run" the City; that is the role of the City Manager and staff. We currently have an excellent city staff that does a very good job of serving the citizens of Spearman.

**What special qualities or qualifications do you possess which would make you an efficient city councilman?** My biggest personal asset for the job of city councilman would be EXPERIENCE. I have served on the city council for over ten years now. During that time, I have been able to learn from three city managers and several councilmen, not only from Spearman, but throughout the State. I have no personal agenda except to do my very best to serve the city of Spearman and the citizens who live in our community or are considering doing so. My goal would be to continue to work to make Spearman an even better place to live and raise our children!

**Additional Comments:** Prior to some rumors I have recently heard, I have no plans to move to Dumas. My family and I will continue to live in and support the community of Spearman, its school system and tax base. Although my job currently takes me to Dumas several days each week, this has been a benefit rather than a detriment to my serving in my role as city councilman. I have been able to view firsthand how another city works - both good and bad, and bring back that experience to Spearman to help us continue to work to do better. I have also been able to serve as President of the Economic Development Corporation and in the last year we have begun to see the possibilities of growth for our community with the recent decision of two New York families to move their businesses to Spearman and the surrounding area. There is much work left to be done. Thank you for your past support.

**GRUVER CITY COMMISSION**

Kenny Red will face incumbent mayor Mark Irwin in the Gruver City Commission. Johnnie Williams also filed as a city commissioner, but is running unopposed. Voting on May 7th will be conducted at Gruver City Hall.

**Mark Irwin**

**Family members:** Wife-Pat, Son- Kyle and wife, Kimberly, children Korbin, Karsten and Klaira  
**Place of Employment:** Gruver Ford, Inc.  
**Position/ Occupation:** President  
**What organizations/clubs are you a member of?** Mayor of Gruver, Director of Gruver State Bank  
**Church affiliation:** Gruver United Methodist Church

**Background/Education:** Graduated Gruver High School-1972, Graduated Texas Tech University-1976

**Hobbies/Interests:** Grandchildren, golf, city business

**What do you think the biggest problems are facing the city?** High gas prices, taxes, state funding, need for new businesses

**What changes or improvements would you seek as mayor?** Continue to try to keep city utilities in good conditions. Try to keep gas prices down. Keep our city clean and a great place to live and raise a family.

**What do you view as the role of a member of the city council?** Help keep the city in good working order and the citizens happy.

**What special qualities or qualifications do you possess which would make you an efficient mayor?** Have been an active member of the City council for over ten years.

Also served on the planning and zoning committee.

**Kenny Red**

**Family Members:** Kenny and Brenda live in Gruver. 2 Boys, Adam and Dustin live in Fort Cobb, Oklahoma. We also have 3 grandkids

**Place of Employment:** Gruver Schools

**Position/Occupation:** Maintenance

**Church Affiliation:** Baptist

**Background/Education:** 12 years of school in Gruver

**Hobbies/ Interests:** Fishing and spending time with Brenda and our 2 dogs

**Comments:** Growing up in Gruver and raising a family here I think it is a great town. I would like to see town meetings for the people of Gruver to give their input on projects the city can do.

**What do you think the biggest problems are facing the city?** declining of jobs and population

**What changes or improvements would you seek as mayor?** I would like to see some kind of economic development to get industries to move in to bring more jobs and help our economy and our schools. I would like to try and get a grant to build a park with walking paths and more recreation for the town.

**What special qualities or qualifications do you possess which would make you an efficient mayor?** I am very optimistic and when I go to do something I put all I have into it.

**Additional comments:** I think recycling has to be done more and we need to educate the public on the green dumpsters for yard waste and start a composting program to give compost back to the public. I feel that we need a strong EMS and fire dept.

We have been very lucky to have volunteers for this. I wouldn't be here today if it hadn't of been for our EMS and God in 1974.

**Johnnie Williams**

**Family Members:** Kristi-Wife; daughters- Shelby and Madison  
**Place of Employment:** TXDOT  
**Position/Occupation:** Assistant Supervisor

**What organizations/clubs are you a member of?** Lions Club, -2nd Vice-President; Little Dribblers, Board of Directors

**Church Affiliation:** Gruver United Methodist Church

**Background/Education:** Graduated Gruver High School

**Hobbies/Interests:** All sports, woodworking, coaching children in all sports

**What do you think the biggest problems are facing the City?** rising gas prices

**What changes or improvements would you seek as a city councilman?** I don't see any improvements that need to be made.

**What do you view as the role of a member of the city council?** protect the interest of the city and make decisions that are best for the city. Helping provide the best services for the city at the least cost.

**What special qualities or qualifications do you possess which would make you an efficient city councilman?** I have been a very active member of the community for many years.

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**SPEARMAN ISD BOARD**

Spearman ISD has four candidates vying for two positions. Incumbents Carol Dunning and Dwayne Mitchell will be on the ballot with Joe Garcia and Mark Murray. Voting on May 7th will be at Spearman High School.

**Carol Dunning**

**Family members:** James (Johnny) Dunning - husband, Children Matt Dunning - Lubbock, Mike and Kasey Butts - Lubbock, Doug and Kristin Pack - San Antonio, Doug and Shelly Rawlins of Dumas, two beautiful grandchildren Josh and Annsley

**Place of employment:** Hansford County Hospital District  
**Position/Occupation:** Director of Physical Therapy  
**What organizations/clubs are you a member of?** American Physical Therapy Association, Hansford Golf Club  
**Church affiliation:** First United Methodist Church  
**Background/Education:** B.S. Degree-Special Education and Elementary Education, OSU, M.S. degree Physical Therapy- TWU  
**Hobbies/Interests:** Spending time with family and friends, golfing, yard work and traveling

**Comments:** All four of our children attended SISD K through 12th grade. Three of our children and one son-in-law are teachers.

**What do you think the biggest problems are facing the school district?** One of the problems is not knowing what solution the Texas Legislature will produce for funding education.

**Another problem is the stress placed on students, teachers, parents and administration by TAKS testing.** Our district is also challenged with efficiently and effectively educating students with limited English proficiency.

**What changes or improvements would you seek as a school board member?** I look forward to the improved educational environment provided by the future, new Jr. High campus and the improved communication between the school and parents. I would like for the school to implement strategies to reduce stress regarding TAKS testing.

**What do you view as the role of a school board member?** The role of a school board member is to develop policies and to approve a budget. The board hires a superintendent to direct the operation of the school district.

**What special qualities or qualifications do you possess which would make you an efficient school board member?** I have served for nine years as a SISD board member. During this time I have received numerous hours of school board training. I have a good understanding of the functions of the board and I have been a committed member. I also believe I am a good listener and a fair person.

**What is your position on the bond election and why?** I was very supportive of the bond. I believe improving the school facilities is an investment in the future of the Spearman community.

**Additional comments:** If we want to have a productive society we need to be committed to providing each child the educational opportunity to be the best that he or she can be while at SISD

**Joe Garcia, Jr.**

**Family members:** Mary E. Garcia - wife; Mark Garcia of El Paso - son; Nora Saenz of Spearman - daughter; Radar Garcia of Plainview - son  
**Place of employment:** Primera Iglesia Bautista  
**Position/Occupation:** Pastor

**What organizations/clubs are you a member of?** President of Ministerial Alliance, member of Hispanic Fellowship, Vice-President of Evangelism of Top of Texas Area

**Church affiliation:** Baptist  
**Background/Education:** Graduate of Tulia High School, attended United Electronic School - Dallas, attended West Texas University - Canyon, attended Hardin-Simmons University - Abilene  
**Hobbies/Interests:** Travel, reading, yard work and watching sports on TV

**What do you think the biggest problems are facing the school district?** I feel the language barrier is a major problem. The diversity of our population is changing. Another problem I see is that the pressure and stress of the TAKS test.

**What changes or improvements would you seek as a school board member?** I would like to see an improvement in our education. I would like our school to meet every need of every child whether it is an educational need or an emotional/physical need.

**What do you view as the role of a school board member?** I am not familiar with the responsibilities of a school board member, but I will do my best to be open-minded and fair. I will be very involved and committed to my duties as a board member. I can offer new ideas.

**What special qualities or qualifications do you possess which would make you an efficient school board member?** I am a good listener. As a Pastor I have been involved with many problems that face our families in our communities. I can help break some of the barriers our school faces today. And I feel I am fair and open-minded to change.

**What is your position on the bond election and why?** I was in favor of the bond election. I feel our children's needs come first. A new school facility was needed and that is why I voted yes.

**Dwayne Mitchell**

**Family members:** Donnie (wife), Daughters, Paige, 1979 graduate of Spearman SHS, Shelley, 1982 graduate of SHS, 4 grandchildren

**Place of employment:** Retired from SISD 2001, as instructor in senior English and concurrent courses via Frank Phillips College

**Position/Occupation:** Now, self-employed - farmer  
**What organizations/clubs are you a member of?** Southwestern Pioneer Windmill Association, Hansford Retired Teachers  
**Church affiliation:** First Baptist  
**Background/Education:** M.Ed., Kansas Emporia University and BA, Panhandle State University. Additional graduate hours WTAMU, University of Arkansas, Colorado State University  
**Hobbies/Interests:** Restoring antique windmills, tractors, cars, reading, crossword puzzles, family, friends

**What do you think the biggest problems are facing the school district?** At the moment, facilities. The school board, administration, consultant, teachers, citizens' advisory committee identified facilities as the biggest need and presented a bond issue plan to correct that. We will always face a shortage of state funding, unfunded mandates, and standardized testing until the Texas legislature exercises some statesmanship and funds education as it should. We also need control returned to the local district.

**What changes or improvements would you seek as a school board member?** Surprisingly, perhaps, I don't believe that educational changes or improvements revolve around a board member or even a school board. I have ideas and opinions, but I believe that any changes or improvements must be in concert with the administration, faculty, staff and other board members to help the school district toward its mission: Quality education for every student in the district.

**What do you view as the role of a school board member?** The role of a board member is to work with other board members and the superintendent to form a team that supports the efforts of the faculty, administration and staff. A board member is not a micro-manager of the daily affairs of the district, but takes a much wider view.

**What special qualities or qualifications do you possess which would make you an efficient school board member?** I have been in Spearman ISD since 1970. I am very thankful for an educated society and a democratic process that it fosters. I am a career educator. Being on the board is not about status, whims, or personal goals; but the conviction that quality education is the responsibility of this community as we try to educate each student to attain his/her share of the American Dream. I have worked with hundreds of students with every level of learning ability. I have sponsored co-curricular activities, conferred with parents, faculty members, and during my time as a teacher, attended dozens of board meetings. I believe that I have a very good background to be a board member.

**What is your position on the bond election and why?** In favor.

**Comments:** I take considerable pride in the quality of education that Spearman ISD has provided through the years, now provides and support of the bond issue shows that quality education will continue to be a priority. No one person is indispensable to the educational process, but I do think that I have the education, the dedication and the background to be a part of the educational team in this district. I have been a member of Spearman ISD educational team for 34 years; the last three as a board member. Rather than being an educator in day-to-day contact with students, I'm an educator in support of those who now do the day-to-day contact of educating our students.

**Mark Murray**

**Family members:** Tammy, Matt, Isaac, Zack  
**Place of employment:** Crop Chasers, Inc.

**Position/Occupation:** no response  
**What organizations/clubs are you a member of?** SYBOC-Spearman Youthful Body of Christ, Vice-President-Spearman Chamber of Commerce Board

**Church affiliation:** no response  
**Background/Education:** Graduated Del Valle High School 1982  
**Hobbies/Interests:** Sharing Gods word with the youth of our community

**What do you think the biggest problems are facing the school district?** no response

**What changes or improvements would you seek as a school board member?** no response

**What do you view as the role of a school board member?** no response

**What special qualities or qualifications do you possess which would make you an efficient school board member?** no response  
**What is your position on the bond election and why?** no response  
**Comments:** As a board member my focus would be on the Education of the students as well as accountability. I can't tell you I am the "best" person for this job. But I would like to encourage everybody to vote.

**GRUVER ISD BOARD**

Lee Bob Harper, Tracy Venneman and Davin Winger will face-off for the two seats on the Gruver ISD Board being vacated by incumbents Jody Irwin and Terry Sherrill. Voting on May 7th will be conducted at the Gruver Jr. High Library.

**Lee Bob Harper**

**Family members:** My wife Jennifer, our one-year-old son Leo, and another child due in August.

**Place of Employment:** Hansford County Veterinary Hospital, Inc.  
**Position/Occupation:** Associate Veterinarian  
**Organizations/Clubs:** American Veterinary Medical Association, Texas A&M University Association of Former Students  
**Church Affiliation:** Member, First Baptist Church Gruver  
**Background/Education:** I was raised in Gruver and graduated from Gruver High School in 1994. I earned a Bachelor of Science degree and a Doctor of Veterinary Medicine degree from Texas A&M University in 1998 and 2002 respectively, graduating with honors for both degrees.

**Hobbies/Interests:** Most of my free time is spent enjoying my family. I also like to read and play golf.

**What do you think are the biggest problems facing the school district?** School financing is always a very important issue. I believe our school must be able to appropriate funds in such a way to keep up with the latest in educational technology and equip our students to succeed in today's college environment. We must be careful to keep academics as our top priority in allocating funds and resources.

**What changes or improvements would you seek as a school board member?** It is a big challenge in itself just maintaining the outstanding reputation our schools have for educating students. I personally believe that the future of this community, just like the past, rests in agriculture. Therefore our agricultural education program should be a top concern.

College graduates who are bilingual have endless opportunities in this day and age. Perhaps our school system should do something formally to encourage more students to study Spanish, even starting at the junior high or elementary levels. Languages are much more easily learned at a young age. Also, as is currently being done, we should make every effort to ensure that all of our Spanish speaking students leave Gruver High School fluent in English.

One of my goals would be to put more emphasis on academics. I would also like to get members of the community more involved in extracurricular activities that are based on academic achievement.

**What do you view as the role of a school board member?** A member of the Board of Trustees is given the trust of the taxpayer to establish and maintain a safe and effective learning environment for the children and teenagers of this community. A school board member should be willing and able to listen to legitimate concerns brought by teachers, administrators, parents, students, and other community members. At the same time, he or she must be able to stand up to any exterior pressure and make decisions based on what is in the very best interest of all of the students.

**What special qualities or qualifications do you possess which would make you an efficient school board member?** I believe it can be beneficial to have one or more members of the board without children currently enrolled in Gruver's school system. Granted, individuals with children in the system are probably more in tune with the everyday workings of the school. However, a member without an enrolled child can by nature be more objective, and less emotionally attached to one side of an argument over another.

In addition, I have experience as both a college tutor and graduate laboratory instructor. This experience gives me some idea of what our teachers face as they work to educate our students. I was involved with the HOSTS (Helping One Student To Succeed) program in the Bryan, Texas school district for 3 semesters. This program involved community members spending one hour each week with a student who was struggling in a particular subject. It allowed me to witness first hand the impact people in the community can have on a student's ability to learn.

**Additional Comments:** Many people have asked me why I want to be a member of the Gruver ISD Board of Trustees. My answer to them is that the Gruver school system served me very well and I would like the opportunity to serve it in some way. I would appreciate your vote on May 7.

**Tracy Venneman**

No response received

**Davin Winger**

No response received

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The 5th of May is celebrated in the United States among the Mexican-American population, especially in California, Arizona, New Mexico and Texas. Various Mexican-American societies use the celebrations to commemorate the overthrow of the Mexican Imperial Monarchy headed by Maximilian of Austria. The Imperial Monarchy was imposed from 1864 to 1867 on Mexico by Napoleon III, Emperor of France (nephew of Napoleon Bonaparte) and the Mexican conservatives "Club de Notables".

The Mexican-American societies were formed after the Mexican-American war (1846-1848) in response to atrocities committed by US troops occupying the lands annexed by the US following the war. The war was settled by the Treaty of Guadalupe Hidalgo with fifteen million dollars in payment for the annexed lands. The societies originally consisted of home guard units but evolved into social societies as stability returned to the US Southwest. These societies contributed large amounts of material and money to the Mexican Constitutional Government in its fight against the Mexican Imperial Monarchy.

In 1858, Benito Juárez was elected President of the United States of Mexico to defend the Mexican Constitution established on February 5th, 1857. After much internal struggle, Juárez was re-elected in 1861. Because of financial instability, mainly due to the Mexican-American war, the Mexican Congress suspended foreign debt repayment for two years.

The creditors in Europe (England, Spain and France) decided intervention was needed to collect the debts. Unbeknownst to the other two, France had its own agenda. France wanted to dispose of the Mexican Constitutional Government and set up a monarchy favorable to France. Napoleon III, Emperor of the Second French Empire had grandiose plans to impose a monarchical government upon the nations of Central and South America. This was to provide raw materials and trade for the European nations as well as check the growing power of the US Republic following the annexation of California, Arizona and New Mexico.

France's designs were formented and abetted by the plutocratic and conservative land owners of Mexico who feared loss of land and political power to the newly elected constitutional government of Benito Juárez. On December 8th, 1861 the European powers landed and occupied Veracruz, Spain arrived first. By April 11, 1862 after realizing France's intent, England and Spain withdrew their support.

Meanwhile, in Mexico City, President Juárez (a full blooded Zapotec Indian, and a lawyer who had studied to become a priest), was taking countermeasures: "There is no help but in defense but I can assure you... the Imperial Government will not succeed in subduing the Mexicans, and its armies will not have a single day of peace... we must stop them, not only for our country but for the respect of the sovereignty of the nations"(1). Juárez declared martial law and declared all areas occupied by the French in a state of siege.

After reinforcements arrived, a French force of (7,000) seven thousand set out on the (225) two hundred twenty five mile route to Mexico City in early April under the illusion that the Mexican people would welcome them. This illusion was fostered by Juan N. Almonte, a Mexican reactionary, and by Count Dubois du Saligny appointed French Ambassador to Mexico by Napoleon. Presidente Juárez commanded General Ignacio Zaragoza to block the advance of the French Army with 2,000 soldiers at the fortified hills of Loreto and Guadalupe by the city of Puebla.

On May 5th, 1862, cannons boomed and rifle shots rang out as the French soldiers attacked the two forts. Before the day was over, one fort was in ruins and more than a thousand French soldiers were dead. The Mexicans had won the battle, but not the war. Yet, this date was established as symbolic of the Mexicans' courage against a formidable army.

In June 1864, Maximilian of Habsburg and his wife Charlotte arrived in Mexico City as the crowned Emperor of the newly formed Mexican Empire. Although Maximilian organized the administration, liberated the Indians from servitude, and developed the natural resources of the country, he was unable to avoid the opposition of the Mexican patriots. The republicans, led by Benito Juárez, did not accept the foreign intervention. They went north and requested assistance from the Californians and other Mexican-American societies to help them with volunteers and financial support.

Finally, Maximilian was overthrown and captured on May 15, 1867, tried by court martial, and executed by firing squad on June 19 at the Cerro de las Campanas along with his generals Miguel Miramón and Tomás Mejía.

The 5 de Mayo is a Mexican national holiday. The battlefield is now a park in Puebla with a statue of General Zaragoza riding horseback. One of the forts is a war museum with a display of hundreds of toy soldiers set up to show what had happened that day. But it is in the United States of America where the celebration is more festive consisting of parades, music, folklore, dances and food. These festivities are mainly fund raising events and for solidarity among the Mexican-Americans.

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Los mexicano-americanos celebran el 5 de mayo, especialmente en los estados de California, Arizona, Nuevo México y Texas. Los habitantes de estos estados tuvieron una participación muy importante y contribuyeron al derrocamiento del Imperio de Maximiliano de Habsburgo (de Austria). La Monarquía Imperial fue impuesta desde 1864 hasta 1867 en México por Napoleón III Emperador de Francia (sobrino de Napoleón Bonaparte) y por el grupo conservador mexicano del "Club de Notables".

Estas sociedades mexicano-norteamericanas se formaron después de la guerra contra México (1846-1848) como respuesta a las atrocidades cometidas por las tropas americanas que ocuparon las tierras anexadas por los Estados Unidos de América al terminar la guerra. La distribución de estas tierras fueron de acuerdo con el Tratado de Guadalupe Hidalgo y con el pago de (\$15,000,000.00) quince millones de dólares. Estas sociedades establecieron una guardia de vigilantes, con la finalidad de proteger sus hogares hasta que el orden se estableció en la parte suroeste de los Estados Unidos. Entonces se volvieron en sociedades de tipo social. Fueron estas sociedades las que contribuyeron en gran parte con financiamiento para el Gobierno Constitucional Mexicano en su lucha contra la Monarquía Imperial Mexicana.

En 1858, Benito Juárez fue elegido Presidente de los Estados Unidos Mexicanos para defender la Constitución establecida el 5 de febrero de 1857. Después de varias luchas internas, Juárez fue reelecto en 1861. Debido a la inestabilidad financiera, causada por la guerra mexicano-americana, el Congreso Mexicano acordó suspender los pagos de la deuda exterior durante dos años.

Los acreedores en Europa (Inglaterra, España y Francia) decidieron que la intervención sería la mejor manera de cobrarse la deuda. Francia tenía su propia agenda, la cual era desconocida por Inglaterra y España. Napoleón III, Emperador del Segundo Imperio Francés quería establecer una monarquía favorable para Francia, y asimismo, quería disolver el Gobierno Constitucional Mexicano. Sus planes de grandiosidad consistían en extender esta monarquía hasta Centro y Sudamérica para proveer de materia prima y comercio a Europa y al mismo tiempo estar cerca de la República de los Estados Unidos la cual crecía en poder después de anexar California, Nuevo México y Arizona.

Los designios descabellados de Francia fueron fomentados y confabulados por los terratenientes plutocráticos y los conservadores de México que tenían perder su poderío y sus tierras al nuevo gobierno constitucional del Presidente Juárez. El 8 de diciembre de 1861, los poderes europeos desembarcaron en el Puerto de Veracruz y lo ocuparon, siendo España la primera en llegar. Para el 11 de abril de 1862 España e Inglaterra se enteraron de las intenciones de Francia y abandonaron su apoyo embarcándose hacia Europa.

Mientras tanto, en la ciudad de México, el Presidente Juárez (indio zapoteca que se había licenciado como abogado y había estudiado para el sacerdocio) tomaba medidas para contrarrestar la invasión: "El gobierno de la República... en vista de la declaración de los plenipotenciarios franceses, no puede ni debe hacer otra cosa que rechazar la fuerza con la fuerza y defender a la nación de la agresión injusta con la que se la amenaza. ...Tengamos fe en la justicia de nuestra causa... haciendo triunfar no sólo a nuestra patria, sino a los principios de respeto y de inviolabilidad de la soberanía de las naciones" (1). El Presidente Juárez declaró la ley marcial en todas las áreas ocupadas por los franceses en estado de sitio.

Cuando llegaron las tropas de refuerzo francesas, el ejército se componía de (7,000) siete mil soldados que salieron en la ruta de (225) doscientas veinticinco millas hacia la ciudad de México a principios de abril con la ilusión de que los mexicanos les darían la bienvenida. Esta ilusión fue nutrida por Juan N. Almonte, un reaccionario mexicano, y por el Conde Dubois de Saligny, el embajador francés, nombrador por Napoleón. El Presidente Juárez le dió la orden al General Ignacio Zaragoza de detener el avance de las fuerzas armadas francesas en los fuertes de Loreto y Guadalupe cerca de la ciudad de Puebla. Zaragoza contaba con sólo (2,000) dos mil hombres.

El 5 de mayo de 1862, los cañones resonaron y los rifles dispararon y más de (1,000) mil soldados franceses cayeron muertos. Los mexicanos habían ganado la batalla, pero no la guerra. Sin embargo, esta fecha es la que simboliza el valor mexicano ante una armada tan formidable.

Para junio de 1864, Maximiliano de Habsburgo y su esposa Carlota (austriacos) llegaron a la ciudad de México para tomar posesión del recién formado Imperio Mexicano y fueron coronados como el Emperador y la Emperatriz de México. Aunque Maximiliano organizó la administración del gobierno, liberó a los indios de la esclavitud, y desarrolló los recursos naturales del país, no pudo evitar la oposición de los patriotas mexicanos. Los republicanos, al mando de Benito Juárez, no aceptaron la intervención extranjera. Se refugiaron en el norte del país y les pidieron ayuda a los californianos y a otras sociedades mexicano-norteamericanas con financiamiento y voluntarios para la lucha.

Finalmente, Maximiliano fue derrotado y capturado el 15 de mayo de 1867; fue juzgado por una corte marcial y ejecutado por una escuadra de fusilamiento el 19 de junio en el Cerro de las Campanas con sus generales Miguel Miramón y Tomás Mejía.

El 5 de mayo es una fiesta nacional mexicana. El campo de batalla es ahora un parque en Puebla con la estatua del General Zaragoza montado a caballo. Uno de los fuertes es ahora un museo de historia que describe a escala con soldados de juguete lo ocurrido durante la Batalla de Puebla. Pero es en los Estados Unidos de América donde se celebra de una forma más festiva con desfiles, música, bailes folclóricos y comida. Estas festividades son para recaudar fondos para obras benéficas y como demostración de la solidaridad que existe entre los mexicano-norteamericanos.

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**LEGAL NOTICE**  
**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**  
**SPEARMAN PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION**  
DATE: May 24, 2005  
TIME: 9:00 a.m.  
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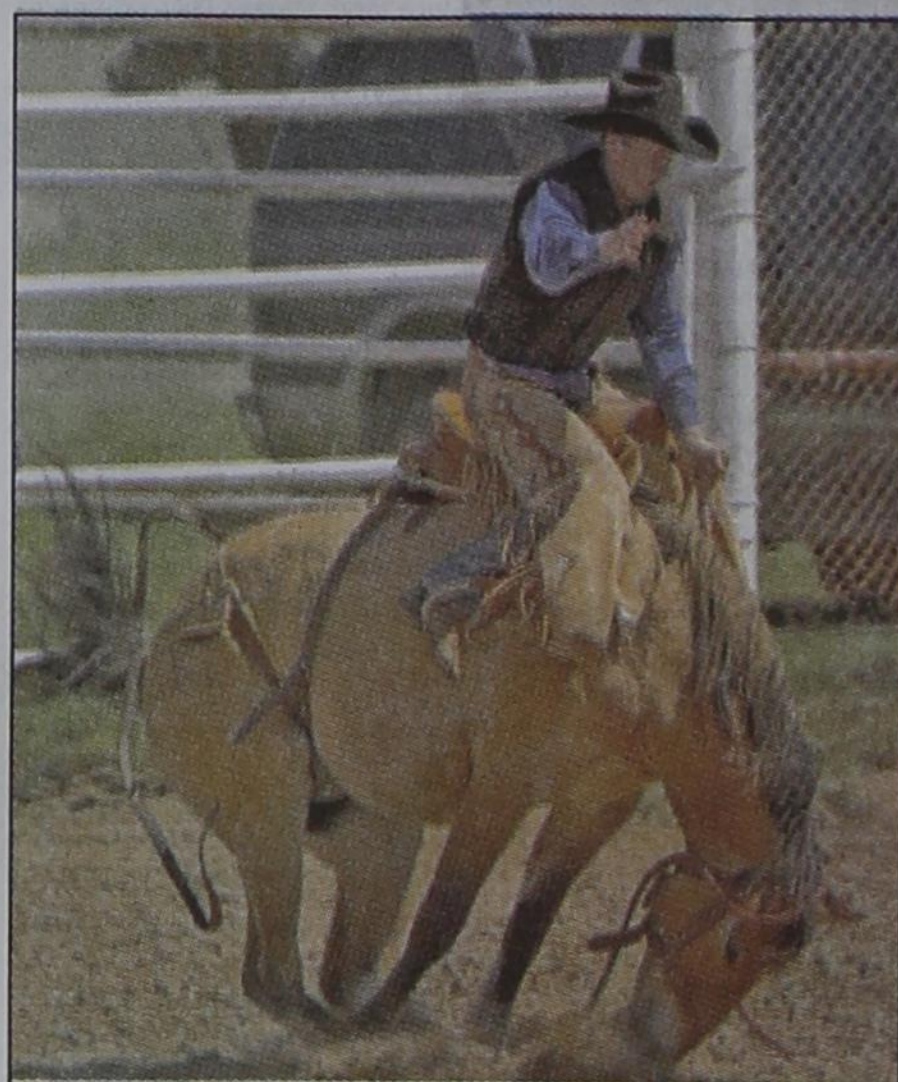
# Gruver hosts Tri-State High School Rodeo Association



Seth Clemons - Team Roping



Cass Cooper - Steer Wrestling



Tyler Lane - Saddle Bronc Riding

The Gruver High School Rodeo Club would like to say thanks to area merchants for their support in sponsoring the rodeo April 23rd.

Buckles were given to each event winner, a watch to the all-around cowgirl and a knife to the all-around cowboy.

Area members include: Seniors-Cass Cooper and Seth Clemons; Juniors-Jessica Schmidt, Rachele Holt, and Tyler Lane; Sophomore-Brian Johnson; Freshman-Dane Harbour

Rachele placed 1st in the Pole Bending and 8th in the Goat Tying. She also competed in the Barrel Race and Breakaway Roping.

Jessica was 3rd in the goat tying and also competed in the Breakaway Roping.

Tyler won the Saddle Bronc Riding, placed 6th in the Calf Roping, and 5th in the Steer Wrestling. He also competed in the Ribbon Roping and Team Roping Events.

Cass placed 5th in the Team Roping. He also competed in the Steer Wrestling, the Calf Roping and the Ribbon Roping.

Seth competed in the Steer Wrestling, the Team Roping, the Calf Roping and the Ribbon Roping.

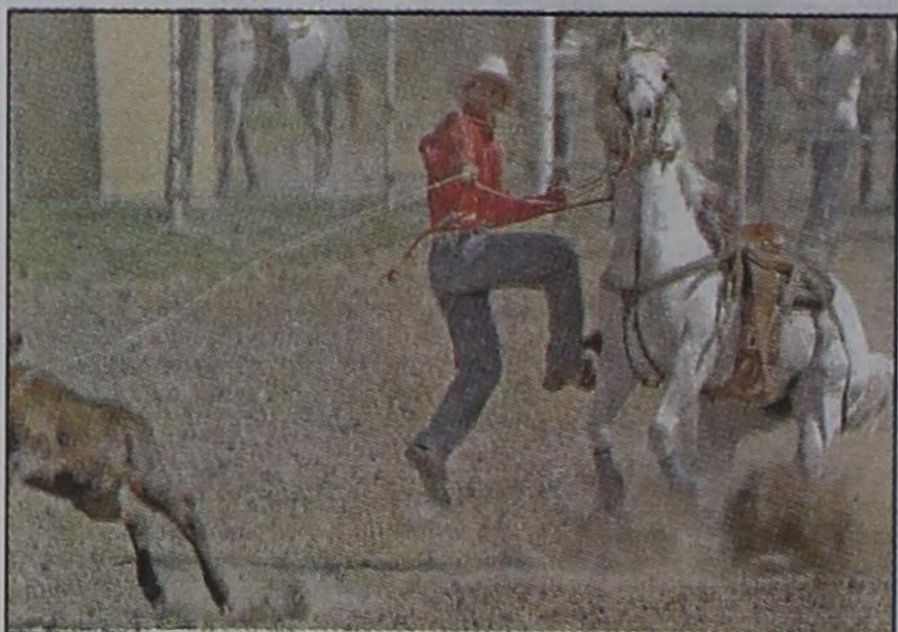
Brian won the Calf Roping and the Ribbon Roping. He placed 4th in the Steer Wrestling. He also competed in the Team Roping. (Brian won the all-around cowboy award for the rodeo also)

Dane was not able to compete due to an injury at a previous rodeo in Canyon.

Special thanks to Charlie Johnson for providing the photographs.



Rachele Holt - Barrell Racing



Brian Johnson - Calf Roping

## From Ropin' to Pickin'

About 7 years ago a man named Ken Stonecipher came aboard the Guymon Pioneer Days Rodeo Committee. He didn't just dangle his toes in to check out the water; he jumped in with both feet. This probably came from his early days as a California surfer. He wanted to be rodeo chairman, and so it was. He had a deep passion for rodeo and a determination for success. So with Stonecipher at the helm, the committee took on new projects and new directions. They would put in thousands of man-hours and donated resources to improve the facilities and the quality of the rodeo.

Before long, Stonecipher's determination had paid off. He had lead Guymon Pioneer Days to the top of the PRCA ladder. In 2002 the committee won the honor of "Large Outdoor Committee of the Year." Since then the rodeo has remained as one of the top 10 PRCA rodeos in the nation. This will be the fourth year that Guymon will serve as the last stop on the Wrangler ProRodeo Winter Tour. May 6th-8th all the PRCA champions and soon to be champions will be competing for over \$350,000 in cash and their last chance to qualify for the \$500,000 Pace Picante ProRodeo Chute-out in Reno, Nevada, slated for June 17th-18th.

Although Stonecipher has put in his resignation as the Pioneer Day rodeo chairman following this year's rodeo, he will continue to be on the rodeo committee.

For the second year in a row, this Friday and Saturday, May 6th & 7th, Stonecipher will trade his horse and rope in for a microphone and guitar to play a packed house at the Coors Rodeo Dance held at the Guymon Elks Lodge. Stonecipher says that picking and singing have always been a part of his life. Almost two years ago Stonecipher's passion for music turned into a full-fledged band, Ken and Tim and the Band with No Name. Ken and his close friend Tim Eyer, who plays the acoustic guitar in the band, have played together many years before forming the band. They soon added drummer, Gordon Gahagan, bass player Lanny Wilson and lead guitarist Malcom Sanders.

The band plays a cross of country and western, mixed in with a little old-time rock n' roll and a whole lot of energy added to some old favorites. The band and lodge donate part of the proceeds from the dances back to support the rodeo. This Friday and Saturday will be no different, just a lot of good music, friendly faces and a whole lotta fun.



Jessica Schmidt - Goat tying

## Texas crop and weather report

The following specific livestock, crop and weather conditions were reported by Panhandle Extension directors: Soil moisture is short to adequate. Cooler-than-normal temperatures and light showers were reported. Forty percent of the corn is planted, and stands were rated poor to good. Land preparation for cotton, soybeans and peanuts continued. Rangeland conditions were fair to excellent as green-up continued. Cattle were rated good.

## Seniors have registered with us

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|---------------------|-----------------------|
| Cristalina Alvarado | Loreno Lopez          |
| Joclin Baca         | Maria Martin          |
| Kaley Barnes        | Felicia Martinez      |
| Jessica Blan        | Linzi McCubbin        |
| Jeffrey Brock       | Kylie McGaha          |
| Tracy Brown         | Dana McLaughlin       |
| Rossilyn Bulls      | Adriana Mendoza-Pinon |
| Orie Cooksey        | Jessica Moreno        |
| Maira Davila        | Brandon Nava Sauz     |
| Salvador Davila     | Marcos Navarrete      |
| Erik Diaz           | Justin Parker         |
| Cricket Elwood      | Miranda Pual          |
| Christen Ferguson   | Kathleen Reed         |
| Deremy Fleetwood    | Gerardo Ruiz          |
| Eric Flores         | Christopher Russell   |
| Homar Flores        | Nicole Sander         |
| Jessica Freeman     | Brodie Savage         |
| Wayne Gibson        | Chase Schubert        |
| Caleb Gillaspie     | Cayla Smith           |
| Martin Grajeda      | Ashley Swan           |
| Macy Harbour        | Mark Thomas           |
| Ashley Hernandez    | Michael Torres        |
| Carlos Hernandez    | Clete Vanderburg      |
| Isaac Herndon       | Jeanette Vasquez      |
| Daniel Kern         | Lisha Whitefield      |
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