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Since county commissioners in

Commissioner Precincts 2 and 4

are not up for election this year,

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have all the same ballots, with no

commissioner candidates listed.

But voters in Commissioner Pre-

cincts 1 and 3 will have different

ballots depending on which Com-

missioner Precinct their voting pre-

The Democratic County Commissioner Precinct 1 race has six

candidates. They are Roscoe Nelson, Dick Gillaspie, Mike Garnett, Vance Snider, Kathy Patterson and Ernie Vanderburg.

The County Commissioner Precinct

3 Democratic race has two candi-

dates, Richard Sasser and B.J.

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THURSDAY, MARCH 5, 1992

Residence determines polling place, choices

Two questions may face Hansford County voters on Tuesday: "Where do I vote?" and "What are my choices?"

The answer to these two questions depend on where a voter lives and which party primary he or she is voting in on Tuesday, March 10. These two factors will work together to not only determine voting location but also to influence each precinct.

the choices a voter has in the local

To help answer these questions the Reporter-Statesman is providing a sample ballot from each of the two party primaries, along with maps of the county and the city of Spearman, showing the voting precinct boundaries. Below the maps is a list of the polling locations for

The county is split into nine voting precincts. With the exception of precinct number 8, they are laid out so that each has approximately the same number of possible voters. Precinct 8 is designated as the early voting precinct. With the exception of the Republicans in precincts 2, 3 and 7, each precinct has its own polling place.

The ballots at each of these poll-

Filing slow for city, school offices . . . Candidates scarce for some races

With the filing deadline of Mar. that Carolyn Gressett is the only 18 less than two weeks away, city person to register for one of the and school offices report candidate three seats up for election on the sign-up for open positions on the

of Gruver and Cheryl Gibson of for election are the ones occupied Spearman, report that no candi- by Tom Latta and current board dates have signed up to run for their commissioner positions. The three school districts report that only incumbents have signed up as candidates for their boards.

their boards is going slow.

District business manager, reports the two other seats on the board

SISD board. She is the incumbent candidate for one of those seats. City secretaries, Marilyn Been The other two seats on the board up president Charles Shieldknight.

Gruver ISD business office secretary Margaret Fry indicated that incumbents Dennis Stedje and Buddy Lowe had filed for their 3 Allen Alford, Spearman School year term seats on the board, but

are unfiled for. They are the one year and three year term seats held by Kevin Holt and Buddy Lowe. Candidates filing for these seats must declare which seat they are filing for when they register.

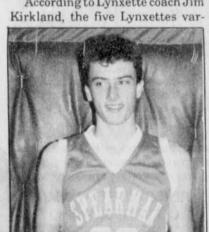
Paige Speck at the Morse school district reports that incumbent Alan Leach, of Hansford County, has filed for their one school board seat up for election.

Their are three seats on the Spearman City Council up for elec-

See candidates page 12

All-District players selected

Spearman varsity basketball sity basketball players who were teams captured eight places on the two All-District 1-2A teams. The Lynxettes placed five and the Lynx placed three - including Cody Pipkin, who was selected as co-winner of the district's Most Valuable



Cody Pipkin

named to the All-District team are senior starters Joy Gafford, Tamri Townsen and Mendy Lasater. They were joined by junior starters Jill Lusby and Laura Pearson on the All-District list.

According to Lynxette coach Jim coach, reported that three Lynx players were selected to the All-

honorable mention.

Wendell Neff, Lynx basketball

District team and two received honorable mention. Senior Lynx guard Brian Beck and juniors Russell Shaver and Pipkin were named to the All-District team. Seniors Khris Kelp and Darian Hawkins received

selected as District MVP. He will See players page 6

Renner. The Republicans have Jerry Pat Davis and Worley Smith running fo: County Commissioner Precinct Pipkin was one of two players 1. Kent Guthrie is unopposed in See residence page 12

Parking lot paving 'free' to taxpayers

by JoAnn Morton Editor

Lake's east boat ramp will be es- Lee said, with the state paying 75 sentially "free to the taxpayers," according to Palo Duro River Authority General Manager Johnnie

C. Lee.

Lee explained that a contract for paving the boat ramp parking lot

PDRA board's Feb. 26 meeting. The total cost of the parking lot is esti-Paving a parking lot at Palo Duro mated at approximately \$151,000, percent of the cost.

"And the remaining 25 percent will be paid with interest money, not with taxpayers' money," commented Lee.

Paving will begin as soon as the paperwork is all in place, said Lee, was awarded to Ed Baker, paving and the project is scheduled to take

contractors from Borger, at the about 30 days to complete. Girl Scouts to celebrate 80th anniversary

by Carolyn Cummings

During the week of March 8-13. Girl Scouts across the nation will join in celebration of the 80th anniversary of Girl Scouting in the United States.

Each troop and council through-

out the nation will celebrate in their own way beginning with Girl Scout Sunday, March 8, when girls will attend church services in uniform, as troop units. Throughout the week different troop levels will demonstrate to their community

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Joy Gafford

the five "worlds" of Scouting - The World of the Out-of-Doors, The World of the Arts, The World of Well-being, The World of People. and The World of Today and To-

Each Service Unit or Neighbor-



Spearman Daisy Girl Scouts gather around Spearman Mayor Burl Buchanan as he reads the proclamation he signed, declaring March 8-13 as Girl Scout Week in Spearman. The Daisy Girl Scouts are (I-r) Heather Scroggs, Amy Powers, Dana Sharp, Emily Longoria and Courtney Partney.

hood will plan a special celebration of their own for March 12, which is the actual anniversary date, including both past and present Girl Scouts.

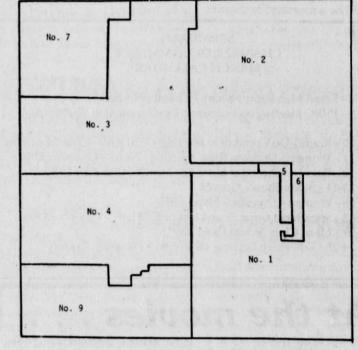
Spearman Girl Scouts invite all present Scouts, past Scouts and past leaders to join them on the Hansford County Courthouse lawn Thursday, March 12 at 4:15 p.m. for the local celebration. The local celebration is scheduled to coincide with ceremonies being held across the Yucca Council, which is headquartered in Guymon, Okla.

Since Yucca Council is a multistate council. Scouts will be traveling to Oklahoma City from their hometowns, representing the council in "Girl Scouts Are Great In Government." Scouts will interact with elected officials and partici-

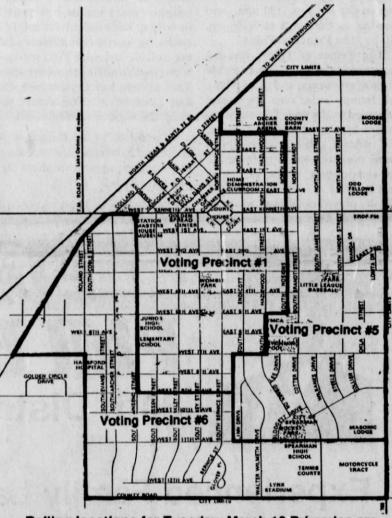
pate in those jobs where possible. Last fall, troops participated in a poster contest entitled "Girl Scouts Care For The Earth." Dawn Loomis' poster was chosen as the best from her Spearman Junior Girl Scout Troop 126. Each council was asked to provide posters for display in the Oklahoma State Capitol since the local council's headquarters is in Guymon, and Dawn's poster was one of those chosen to represent Yucca Council.

Dawn is the daughter of Mr. and See Scouts page 12

Hansford County Voting Precincts



Spearman Voting Precincts



Polling locations for Tuesday, March 10 Primaries are: **Democratic Voters**

Voting Precinct 1 - Spearman ISD Varsity Gym, Junior High-Elementary Campus. Voters are requested to park in the lot off 5th street north of the gym.

Voting Precinct 2 - Renner Ranch Voting Precinct 3 - Community Bible Church, Gruver

Voting Precinct 4 - Hansford County Barn, Gruver Voting Precinct 5 - Hansford County Barn, Spearman

Voting Precinct 6 - Spearman ISD High School Voting Precinct 7 - Oslo Lutheran Church, Oslo

Voting Precinct 9 - Morse Community Building, Morse Republican Voters

Voting Precinct 1 - Same as Democrats

Voting Precincts 2, 3 & 7 - Community Bible Church, Gruver Voting Precinct 4 - Same as Democrats

Voting Precinct 5 - Same as Democrats

Voting Precinct 6 - Same as Democrats

Voting Precinct 9 - Pringle-Morse School

Reporter-Statesman per-copy price goes up

The per-copy price of the Hansford County Reporter-Statesman purchased from merchants in Spearman and Gruver will increase to 50 cents with the Thursday, March 12 issue.

This price increase affects only the newspapers bought from the racks. The cost of a subcription, a want ad, or a display ad will not be increased at this time.

Since the two Spearman papers and the Gruver paper were combined in April 1990, management has hesitated to raise the per-copy price, but because of increases in production costs it has become necessary. Because we waited so long to enact the price increase, it is necessary to increase it twofold.

When the publications were combined, income from the second Spearman paper was lost. It was hoped that combining the papers and increasing the size and circulation would make the publication more attractive to local advertisers, leading to more revenue to make up for the loss in paper sale rev-

enue. This did not happen. With this additional revenue the Reporter-Statesman hopes to be able to continue to record the history of Hansford County.

Chamber Chatter

by Cindy Blackman Chamber Manager

Monday, March 9 at 7 p.m., the Spearman Chamber of Commerce and the Gruver Chamber of Commerce will sponsor a meeting with the Panhandle Regional Planning Commission. The meeting is for residents of Hansford County who are interested in developing a support group who want economic development in our county.

The meeting will be held at the First State Bank Hospitality Room. Members of the PRPC will conduct

On Tuesday night, March 10, there will be a meeting for anyone interested in the Spearman Round-Up. This will be at 7:30 p.m. in the Chamber office.

March 8-14 is Girl Scout Week in Spearman. Be sure and support our Girl Scouts.

I got a letter from A.I.D. Associates, Inc. and our new city maps and lake brochures will go to press within the next 15 days.

Congratulations to the Spearman Lynx and Lynxettes basketball teams. They both played really good and we consider them to be winners!

SPEARMAN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE MARCH CALENDAR

March 4 - Retail Merchants - 8 a.m. - Chamber Office March 9 - PRPC Meeting on Economic Development in Hansford County

March 10 - Round-Up Committee Meeting - 7:30 p.m. - Chamber Office March 11 - Women's Division Exec. Meeting - Noon - Chamber Office

March 12 - Board of Directors Meeting - Lunch - Chamber Office

March 13-14 - Stock Show - Gruver

March 18 - Women's Division - Noon - FSB

March 19 - Spearhead Corp. Board Meeting - 8 a.m. - Chamber Office

March 21 - Lions Club "White Cane Day"

March 24-25 - Defensive Driving - 6-10 p.m. - Hansford County Library

At the movies

running through Tuesday, March 10 at the Lyric Theatre in Spearman will be "Beauty and the Beast," held over on Screen 1 at 7:30 p.m., and showing on Screen 2 at 7:15 p.m. will be "The Prince of Tides."

"The Prince of Tides" has big stars, serious subjects, covers a wide range of emotions, and after a long and bumpy ride, sees its heroes redeemed in the end. The stars are Barbra Streisand and Nick Nolte. The serious subject is childhood abuse and its resulting insanity. The redemption, of course, comes from love.

Nolte plays Tom Wingo, a former

Beginning Friday, March 6 and high school football coach from South Carolina whose life is at loose ends. His marriage is on the rocks and, since his brother's death a couple of years earlier, he has been in a deep depression. As the film opens, he learns of his sister's latest suicide attempt (she's a tortured poet), and he ventures to New York to help her psychiatrist, Susan Lowenstein (Streisand), unravel the mysteries of her past.

> In addition to the fine work by Nolte and Streisand, there are several supporting performances that are top-notch.

"The Prince of Tides" is rated R under investigation.

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Police Files

The Spearman Police Department logged a total of 41 calls for service during the week of Feb. 24 through March 1.

Officers recorded one report each of burglary, theft, liquor law violation, traffic law violation, lost property, found property, motorist assist and suspicious 911 call.

Police investigated three reports of vandalism, four reports of disorderly conduct, and two reports of suspicious activity, received 10 miscellaneous calls for officers and unlocked five vehicles for residents. There were nine calls for animal

Included in incident reports for those calls was one investigation of a bicycle theft from the 300 block of West First. According to the report, a bicycle valued at \$150 was pushed or ridden from a residence on Feb. 24. The report was received at 4 p.m.

On Feb. 25, police received a report of vandalism to a vehicle windshield in the 900 block of South Haney. The incident is under investigation.

A car/bicycle accident was reported Feb. 28 at Fifth and Roland. According to the police incident report, the car was travelling north on Roland and the bicycle rider failed to yield to the car while crossng Fifth. No serious injuries were

A vandalism at a vacant building was reported Feb. 26. Damage was estimated at \$150.

Three juveniles were questioned as a result of the investigation of a burglary report. According to the police incident report, money and BB guns were taken. The BB guns were listed as recovered.

On March 1, police received a report of threatening telephone calls from a resident in the 300 block of South Barkley.

Four windows of a residence in the 1000 block of Haney were damaged with BB guns. The incident is

Gruver Police Department

On Monday, Feb. 24, Gruver police served three 3 warrants on a female subject in the 600 block of Cator. Gruver Police Chief Steve Gaines explained the warrants had been outstanding since 1983. The subject had moved away and then moved back to Gruver, which gave police an opportunity to serve the

Also on Feb. 24, a Gruver resident was assisted in gaining entry to her locked residence in the 800 block of Womble.

On Thursday, Feb. 27, police were called to unlock a vehicle at Gruver High School.

Gruver police assisted the Texas Department of Public Safety in the investigation of a rollover accident north of Stinnett. Gaines said the vehicle involved in the accident was registered to a Gruver man, who walked into the police department as the Gruver police officer was receiving information about the accident from the DPS. The owner of the vehicle was transported to the scene in order for the DPS trooper to complete his investiga-

On Friday, Feb. 28, Gruver police received a report of telephone harassment from the 400 block of Front and unlocked a vehicle southwest of Gruver.

Also on Feb. 28, police responded to a report of a fire south of Gruver. Upon arrival, the fire was found to be a controlled burn.

On Sunday, March 1 police were called to unlock one vehicle in the 200 block of East 10th and another at the Gruver High School gym. Another report of telephone harassment was received March 1, this time in the 100 block of Maupin.

Gruver police issued one citation for speeding during the week. **Gruver EMS**

Gruver EMS personnel responded to a call in the 200 block of Garrett on Thursday, Feb. 27. A 74 year old man was transported to Hansford Hospital.

Gruver Fire Department Gruver Volunteer Fire Department personnel have responded to a total of 15 fires since the first of the year, according to Gruver Fire

Chief Sam Gruver. He said several reports have been received since Feb. 20, when a barn and vehicle belonging to Tim Barkley were burned. The fire apparently was caused by welding and cutting done in the barn. Gruver explained that Barkley had finished working in the barn and was driving a tractor in a field when he barn. Total damage to the barn and contents was estimated to be about \$17,000.

Several small grass fires have been reported since that time, according to Gruver. Included in the reports was one on Feb. 25, three miles west of Gruver.

On Feb. 28, Gruver firefighters assisted the Guymon, Okla., fire department with a grass fire in the breaks south of Guymon. Gruver said about 200 or 300 acres were burned.

On Monday, March 2, another grass fire caused by a cutting torch was reported on the John Hart place south of Gruver. No dollar loss was reported.

Gruver noted that the area is very vulnerable to grass fires now, due to windy conditions and low humidity. He urges area residents to use caution and wants everyone to be aware of the possibility of grass fires during this time of year.

Hansford Happenings

Panhandie Regional Planning Commission will conduct a meeting on economic development in Hansford County on Monday, March 9 at 7 p.m. in the Hospitality Room of the First State Bank of Spearman.

A Back In Control Parenting Workshop is scheduled for Tuesday, March 10 and Wednesday, March 11 at 7 p.m. each evening in the Extension Homemakers Building In Spearman. The Back In Control Parenting Video will be shown. John O'Nan of Perryton Family Services will be the facilitator for the workshop. He will be assisted by Karen Babitzke, Hansford County Extension agent, and Cherri Sherrill of the Panhandle Crisis Center. Reservations can be made by calling the Hansford County Extension office at 659-2030.

Individuals who are no longer enrolled in a Texas public school and wish to register to retake the exit level TEAMS/TAAS test(s) may pick up registration packets in the counselor's office at Spearman High School. Registration forms must be completed and returned in the pre-addressed envelope and must be received in Iowa City, Iowa, no later than 5 p.m. on March 11, 1992. TEAMS tests in language arts will be administered on April 1. TEAMS tests for mathematics will be administered on April 2. TAAS tests in writing will be given on March 31. TAAS tests for reading will be administered on April 1, and TAAS tests in mathematics will be given on April 2.

Amarillo Little Theater's production of "The Taffetas," a '50s musical, will be presented Saturday, April 4 at 8 p.m. in the Spearman High School auditorium as a benefit for the Golden Spread Senior Citizens Center. Tickets are priced at \$8 for adults and \$5 for students.

Spearman High School graduating class of 1982 is planning its 10 year class reunion for Labor Day weekend, Sept. 4 and 5. Anyone who knows the whereabouts of classmates should send names and addresses to Angle Francis Graves, Rt. 2, Box 54, Perryton, TX 79070.

Gruver PTA Association meeting will be on Monday, March 9 at 7 p.m. In the Gruver High School auditorium. The program will be presented by the Junior high U.I.L. speaking contestants.

A covered dish luncheon will be followed by a program entitled 'Know Your Insurance Policies," presented by James Cunningham, at the Golden Spread Center on March 16 at noon. Everyone is welcome.

Hansford Round-Up Committee will meet Tuesday, March 10 at 7:30 p.m. at the Spearman Chamber of Commerce office.

Spearman Chamber of Commerce Women's Division Executive Board will meet Wednesday, March 11 at noon at the Spearman Chamber of Com-

Spearman Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors will meet for lunch at the Chamber office on Thursday, March 12.

The Hansford County Livestock Show will be conducted Friday and Saturday, March 13 and 14, at the Hansford County Barn in Gruver.

Spearman Chamber of Commerce Women's Division meeting will be Wednes-

day, March 18 at noon at First State Bank in Spearman. Spearhead Corporation Board will meet Thursday, March 19 at 8 a.m. at the

Spearman Chamber of Commerce office Saturday, March 21 has been designated as Lion's Club White Cane Day.

A defensive driving course is scheduled for Tuesday and Wednesday, March 24 and 25, from 6 to 10 p.m. each evening at the Hansford County Library.

World Day of Prayer will be observed Friday, March 6 at 9:30 a.m. at the United Methodist Church, 407 S. Haney In Spearman. Refreshments will be served from 9:30 to 10 a.m. The program will be given by women from various

churches. A nursery will be provided. The public is invited to participate.

Hansford County Activity Center will conduct a fund-raiser dance Saturday. March 21 from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. The Vera Brothers Band will provide entertainment. Tickets are priced at \$15 per couple and \$10 per single. Tickets are available from any Activity Center board member or may be purchased at the Activity Center Monday, Wednesday or Friday between the hours of 6 and 10 p.m. Tickets will also be available at the door for \$20 per couple, \$15

Hansford County Activity Center has expanded its hours. New hours are spotted smoke coming from his Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 6 to 10 p.m. for racquetball, weightlifting and sauna room. Racquetball sign-up can also be done during these hours.

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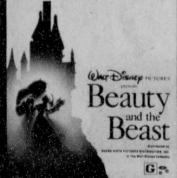
Do you realize that April 1st, 1992, your basic cable rate will increase \$2.00? Do you know why? Why do they need the money? Future improvements, past debts, or just because they know they can raise the rates and get away with it.

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At The Lyric Theatre . . .

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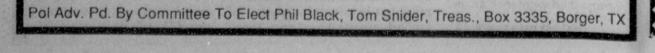


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HCHD explains need Health care lacking for building project

by Anne Snow Business manager

Last week, we began a series of articles to assist the citizens of Hansford County in making an informed decision regarding the upcoming hospital district bond election. With that in mind, we will try to answer this question:

"Why is the Board of Directors of Hansford County Hospital District proposing the \$4.7 million building project?"

The Long Range Plan for the District

During the summer of 1990, a joint board-community committee was appointed by the board of directors to study the future and present healthcare needs of Hansford County and to make recommendations to the board for a long range strategic plan. One of the committee's recommendations was that the nursing home be expanded and the hospital be reno-

In accordance with the Long Range Planning Committee's recommendations, the board hired an architectural firm to do a feasibility study. As a result of the architectural and engineering study, the board decided to present the project to the voters. They set four major goals for the building project. They

1. To add between 30-40 beds to the nursing home to take care of the increasing number of aged in

2. To bring the current hospital building up to modern fire safety standards.

3. To renovate deteriorating and inefficient mechanical systems in

the current hospital building. 4. To improve space allocations in the hospital-fewer hospital beds are needed, while more area for

outpatient services are required. **Nursing Home Addition**

The architects, Cox/Croslin and Associates, concluded that the least expensive route was to remodel the existing building for nursing home beds, and to build a new space for the hospital, locating outpatient services in an area convenient to both the manor and the hospital. The nursing home addition was planned with the following conditions in mind:

1. The nursing home has been 95% full for over a year. Hansford County residents have been turned away because there was no room for them (by law, the manor cannot discriminate on any basis).

2. There will continue to be more Hansford County residents turned away, unless the nursing home is expanded. The latest census shows the following population distribu-

1172 Gruver residents, 3197 Spearman residents, 1479 other ing. residents, for a total Hansford County population of 5848.

Population of Hansford County over the age of 65: 84 people age 85 and over, 252 people aged 75 to 84, 415 people aged 65 to 74, for a total of 751 over age 65.

Of these 751, 77 reside at Hansford Manor; this leaves 674 who are not in the manor.

If only 10% were to come to the manor in later years, where would you put those 67.4 people? It is recognized that a number of current residents will expire, but there will continue to be a lot of in-migration from surrounding areas, due to the quality of care Hansford Manor

3. If you are 65, the lifetime likelihood of entering a nursing home is 52% for women and 30% for men. Add to this the fact that our population is aging: Those over age 85 represent the fastest-growing segment of the U.S. population. One national expert in long term care has said that 100 nursing home beds would need to be built every day until the year 2000 to accommodate the needs of the population by that time.

4. Hansford Manor currently has 29 residents who originated from outside Hansford County. They bring \$640,000 in out-of-town income to Hansford County every

5. A larger nursing home is inherently more efficient. Labor is the highest expense, and the costs of the most highly paid professionals can be spread out over more

6. Bond interest rates are at their lowest point in 20 years; construction will never be less expensive.

The Hospital Renovation The needed renovations in the old building cannot be done without vacating the building. Modern fire safety codes require the follow-

1. Wider corridors - this necessitates moving walls.

2. The walls and roof structures need to be changed for fire contain-

3. The ventilation system allows contaminated air to return to patient rooms, so a new ventilation system is needed.

4. A sprinkler system must be installed for fire suppression.

Also, the heating, air conditioning, and plumbing systems have deteriorated, are inefficient, and must be replaced within the near

By moving the hospital operations to a new site, patient care will continue without disruption. Inpatient care areas can be downsized to 12 to 16 beds (from the current 28). In addition, outpatient services can be arranged more efficiently, with the right amount of space needed. Currently, physical therapy, home health, hospice, respiratory therapy, and offices are occupying unused patient rooms. These patient rooms are ill suited to those uses, and very inefficient from a staffing point of view.

The old building is also very expensive to heat and air condition. It costs \$.20 more square foot than the nursing home. Over 20 years, an energy savings of \$88,000 would be realized, at today's prices-at the minimum. Being able to shut off heat and air conditioning to empty rooms would mean additional savings, as would energy-efficient light-

In summary, the district board of directors has assessed the healthcare needs of Hansford County, and prepared a building plan to meet those needs, both now and in the future.

in the Philippines

by Charles H. Ridge, M.D.

Imelda Marcos had almost free rein in using Philippine treasury funds for special projects. One of her favorites was the construction of a Chest Hospital in Manila.

It became one of the best of its kind in the Orient. The hospital nas many first-rate specialists and an excellent education program for doctors-in-training. The only problem is that it is so expensive that only the very rich can afford it. As a result, it was seldom half occu-

On the other hand, more than 90% of the population has never had any kind of vaccination. Diseases seldom seen here are rampant there. These include such ailments as Malaria, Dengue Fever, intestinal parasites, venomous snake bites, and Rabies. Over 40% of their people have, or have had, Tuberculosis.

·In my first year at Clark Air base, I went on a tour of the Infecable in the Manila Chest Hospital.

tious Disease Hospital in Manila. It was like going through a rural hospital in Ethiopia. The wards were divided by disease category. There was an Encephalitis ward, a Tetanus ward, a Polio ward, a Malaria ward, a Diphtheria ward,

Their biggest ward was the Tuberculosis section. The hospital director told us that over 90% of the TB in the country is resistant to the relatively inexpensive drug INH. However, he informed us, no other anti-tuberculosis drug could be obtained because there was not enough money in the budget.

I was particularly appalled by one of the children's wards which was full of cribs. Each one would have from one to three children in each family. The mother would have to curl up on the floor of the crib to sleep with her children.

Meanwhile, for the very wealthy, the best care in the world was avail-

Conditions favorable for planned burning

"For the first time in several years, favorable soil moisture conditions exist to carry out prescribed burning on Conservation Reserve Program (CRP) fields," stated Monnie Edwards, district conservationist with the USDA Soil Conservation Service in Spearman. Edwards works through the local Hansford Soil & Water Conservation District to provide technical assistance to landusers in Hansford

Managing vegetation with fire can be beneficial to CRP grass stands by suppressing early weeds such as kochia, jointgrass and cheatgrass. The grass will also benefit by removing several years of accumulated dead grass growth litter which should also reduce the wildfire hazard.

As with most anything in life, there are also risks associated with the benefits. Producers who carry out planned fires on their land can be held liable for damages as well as costs incurred in controlling the fire if it escapes from the planned

Therefore, producers should conduct their burns under certain planned conditions. Some of the conditions to consider include air temperature, wind speed and direction, relative humidity, position of the burn area in relation to structures, populated areas and highways. A 10 foot bladed fireguard should be constructed around the entire perimeter of the planned burn area from which a 100 foot "blackedout" firebreak can be burned on the downwind side(s).

Optimum conditions for a CRP management burn would include a March 15 to April 15 burn date, 8-10 mph wind speed, 50-60% relative humidity and 50-70 degree air

Producers who plan to burn should notify the Gruver Fire Department at 733-2424 and/or the Spearman Fire Department at 659-2524, as well as the Hansford County Sheriff's office at 659-2512 or 733-2901 on the day of the burn to prevent these emergency services from responding to a false alarm. Do not use the 911 system to make this non-emergency notifica-

Landusers desiring further information on prescribed burning or other natural resource conserving practices should contact the SCS office in Spearman at 659-2330 or come by 505 W. 11th.

Programs and services of the Soil Conservation Service are offered on anondiscriminatory basis without regard for race, color, national origin, age, sex, religion, marital status or handicap.

Spiritually Speaking

First United Methodist Church Whoever does not accept the reign of God like a little child shall not take part in it. Mark 10:15

What is so special about a little child? The little child has nothing to prove, nothing to show, nothing to be proud of. All the little child is asked to do is to receive the love that is offered.

Jesus wants us to receive the love he offers. He wants nothing more than that we allow him to love us and enjoy that love. This is so hard because we always feel that we have to deserve the love offered to us. But Jesus wants to offer that love to us not because we have

earned it, but because he has decided to love us independent of our efforts. Our love for each other should flow from that "first love."

The great temptation is to use our many failures to convince ourselves that we are really not worth being loved. We must resist that temptation. The many failures in our lives open that place in us where we have nothing to brag about but everything to be loved for. It is becoming a child again, a child who is loved simply for being, simply for reaching out.

This is the way to spiritual maturity - to receive love as a pure and free gift.

NWTMA sets spring meeting

The Don Harrington Discovery Center will be hosting the Northwest Texas Museum Association Spring Meeting on Friday, March 20. Registration begins at 9:30

Evelyn Solonynka, Grants Coordinator for the Amarillo Area Foundation/Don & Sybil Harrington Foundation, will address NWTMA on "Policies and Procedures for Grant Applications."

The NWTMA Board of Directors will meet at 10:00 a.m. Other members will be shown several programs offered by the Discovery Center.

The semi-annual business meeting will be held at noon in conjunction with the meal catered by The Cattle Call of Amarillo. Solonynka's address will follow.

The NWTMA membership includes the Amarillo Art Center, Don Harrington Discovery Center, Childress County Heritage Museum, Carson County Square House Museum in Panhandle. Firehall Museum in Crowell, Deaf Smith County Historical Museum in Hereford, Hutchinson County Museum in Borger, Museum of the Plains in Perryton, Devil's Rope My seum in McLean, Old Mobeetie Association, Texas Aviation Historical Society, Inc. in Amarillo, Ralls Historical Museum, Sherman County Depot Museum in Stratford, Slaton Museum Association, Station Master's House Museum in Spearman, Swisher County Archives & Museum Association in Tulia, Roberts County Museum in Miami, Alanreed-McLean Area MUseum, White Deer Land Museum, National Cowgirl Hall of Fame and Western Heritage Center in Hereford, Ranching Heritage Association in Lubbock, River Valley Museum in Canadian and the Floyd County Museum in Floydada.

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Among the Neighbors

Monica Blackman knew many more enjoyable activities for the spring school break than spending it with foot surgery. The early part of the week she had the surgery at Northwest Texas Hospital and used the rest of the week in recuperation. She was able to return to school on Monday. Putting her best foot forward might be a motto for

That sharp, sprightly Esther Stewart for once found herself at a loss for words last Tuesday when she arrived at the Golden Spread Center. Esther modestly had anticipated the group might sing "Happy Birthday" to celebrate her 90th birthday. She found that they had prepared a wonderful birthday dinner, complete with birthday cake and candles, well, maybe not the entire 90 candles.

But the shock came when she realized members of her family were there. Her daughter, Virginia and Clark Dancer, of Borger, and Betty Leonard of Plano. Also a granddaughter, Mary Penny, of Amarillo, two great-granddaughters from Borger with two of their children, and Esther's sister, Ruth Keller from Sayre, Okla.

Mrs. Keller remained for several days visit.

All the neighbors wish for Esther continued good health and many more birthdays.

Two new young ladies are now settled in Spearman and are getting acquainted. Kenna and Jennifer are making their home with their mother, JoAnn Morton.

The girls are from Guymon. Kenna is in the 8th grade and likes track and swimming. Jennifer is in the 5th grade and enjoys basketball and swimming.

JoAnn, editor of the Reporter-Statesman, has already initiated them into the newspaper environment by putting them to work at the office during spring break.

Kenna and Jennifer, you are welcome in Spearman and it is hoped that you will enjoy living rillo, was interred at Hansford Cemetery Tuesday afternoon after services in Amarillo Tuesday morn-

She was the wife of Don Beck, formerly of Spearman. Don is a brother of Juanita Tucker.

Wanda Stewart and twin sons flew to Greenville to spend the spring break with husband and father Dwayne Stewart. Dwayne works in an airplane factory at Greenville.

Adalyn Barnes is reported to be recovering from knee surgery at St. Anthony's Hospital in Amarillo. The surgery was performed on Friday morning and it is expected she will be hospitalized for more than a

Although the recovery procedure is slow and painful, the neighbors are confident Adalyn will again be 'dancing and prancing.

Her room number is #542.

Twenty young people of the First Baptist Church used part of their spring break for a Youth Ski Retreat in Keystone, Colo. They were accompanied by David Furlow, Youth Director, and Russ Gibbs, Pastor; also Craig and Beverly Vinson.

They left early Wednesday morning and returned late Saturday evening. Each morning, early, right after morning devotions, they took to the slopes and spent the entire days, returning late but in time for evening devotions. The weather was perfect and the skiing ideal. There was a touch of sadness, however, as it would be the last trip they would share with their Pastor, Russ Gibbs. The Gibbs left Monday for his new ministry at

Ray and Helen Gibson with daughter Cheryl as chauffeur drove to Vernon on Sunday. They returned late Monday after attending the funeral of Ray's sister Monday afternoon. She was Mrs. Vera Phillips, age 94.

Mrs. Jake (Ellen) Vernon is currently in St. Anthony's Hospital where she is recovering from an



Vonda Kal Benson and Kevin Aaron Munson announce their approaching marriage on Saturday, March 21 at Sublette Southern Baptist Church in Sublette, Kan. The bride-to-be is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Benson of Sterling, Colo. She is a 1990 graduate of Spearman High School and is presently attending Northeastern Junior College in Sterling, majoring in business administration. The prospective groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Munson of Sublette. He is a 1990 graduate of Sublette High School and is presently attending Northeastern Junior College, majoring in pre-optometry.

'Back In Control' theme of parenting workshop

A "Back In Control" parenting Homemakers workshop is scheduled for Tuesday, March 10 and Wednesday, March 11 at 7 p.m. at the Extension

illness. She is expected to be hospitalized for several more days. Their daughter Mary Frances is withher.

Several attended the wedding of Amanda Moss-Ty Berry in Texhoma on Saturday. Amanda is the youngest daughter of the late Lynda Finchum and Bob Moss and the granddaughter of John and Lucile Allen.

building in

The Back In Control Parenting Video by Gregory Bodenhamer, which will be shown has helped thousands of families resotre love and discipline to their homes.

John O'Nan of Perryton Family Services will be the facilitator for the workshop. He will be assisted by Karen Babitzke, Hansford County Extension agent, and Cherri Sherrill of the Panhandle Crisis

Reservations can be made by calling the Hansford County Extension office at 659-2030.



Rho Rho sorority recently donated a collection of stuffed animals to the Spearman Volunteer Fire Department and H & S EMS. The stuffed animals will be made available to children in times of crisis. Donating the toys on behalf of Rho Rho is Tiki Farrar (center) and accepting the donation are Kevin Russell, H & S EMS paramedic (left) and Randall Sauer of the Spearman Volunteer Fire Department (right).

THANK YOU

Sometimes the word "Thanks" seems so inadequate. If we think on it a while, we realize that the Love that flowed from you to us can only be equalled by the Love and Appreciation that comes from us to you by

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for all your prayers, calls, flowers, food, and cards in the loss of our Mother.

> The Grace Bruner Family Rich and Helen Melton Joyce and Harold Frost W.A. and Faye Bruner Bettye and Harold Stephens



Dr. and Mrs. Earl E. Novak of Spearman are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter, Cinda, to G. James Haruch. Cinda is a graduate of Spearman High School and Brigham Young University. She is currently employed with WordPerfect Corporation as a marketing coordinator. Haruch. son of Mr. and Mrs. John Haruch of Cincinnati, Ohio, is also a graduate of Brigham Young University. He is employed as an interface designer for WordPerfect Corporation. The couple plans to reside in Orem, Utah, following their May wedding.

Strong family bonds prevent drug abuse

AUSTIN - Peer pressure to try alcohol and other drugs can begin as early as the fourth grade, and by the sixth grade more than 40 percent of children have used alcohol. But children who have strong bonds with their family and school are far less likely to try alcohol or other drugs. When parents work with their children, the school, and the drug. community in a prevention program, the use of alcohol and other drugs by young people declines

Texas PTA has joined the National PTA's celebration of National PTA Alcohol an Other Drug Awareness Week, March 1-7, by inform- bat their children's use of alcohol ing parents of their vital role in combatting their children's involve-

National Institute on Drug Abuse, because "everyone is doing it." This the high-risk years for children's helps teens see that negative peer first use of illegal drugs begin at pressure can be rejected. age 12. And approximately 100,000 — Demonstrate a sense of self-10- and 11-year-olds reported getting drunk once a week.

World Day of Prayer to be observed

World Day of Prayer will be observed in Spearman on Friday, March 6 at 9:30 a.m. at the United Methodist Church, 407 S. Haney in Spearman.

Refreshments will be served from 9:30 to 10 a.m.

A program will be given by women representing the churches of Spearman. A nursery will be provided.

The public is invited to partici-

THANK YOU

The family of Rosa Lee Hill would like to express our most sincere thanks to everyone who came by, brought food, the ladies of the First Baptist Church for a wonderful lunch, Rev. Russ Gibbs for being there in our time of need

Thanks so very much to those who sent flowers or donations. Your kind thoughts and prayers were greatly appreciated.

Bill & Rheta Hill Janet, Randall & Scott Sauer Jodie, Chad & Cole Robinett

The 1990 Texas School Survey of Substance Abuse, conducted by the Texas Commission on Alcohol and Drug Abuse, reported that only onethird of the Texas secondary students remained drug-free during the 1990 school year, the remaining two-thirds used either alcohol, tobacco, inhalants, and \or an illicit

To help Texas youth abstain from the use of alcohol and other drugs, parents need to be positive role models. Teens often will tune out lectures, but they watch their parents' every action. Following are suggestions for parents to help comand other drugs:

- Show the value of freedom to ment with alcohol and other drugs. think and act independently, that According to a survey by the one doesn't have to do something

respect and self-esteem. For example: taking care of your health through exercise and diet offers a strong model for your child.

- Show respect for your child's concerns by being a good listener.

- Be cautious in using prescription or over-the-counter medicines as a quick fix for pain or stress. Your example can counter or reinforce the media message that any problem can be cured by chemicals.

- Be aware of how personal use of alcohol can influence your teen. Avoid using excuses for drinking, like having a rough day.

- Talk honestly about personal stress or conflict. Children need to know that such struggles are a normal part of life. They have a good model when they see parents coping with problems without relying on alcohol or other drugs.

Celebrate National PTA Alcohol and Other Drug Awareness Week by talking to your child about alcohol and drug use and its impact on his environments.

THANK YOU

We extend our thanks for the prayers and phone calls during L.D.'s illness. He continues to recover and would enjoy cards & letters.

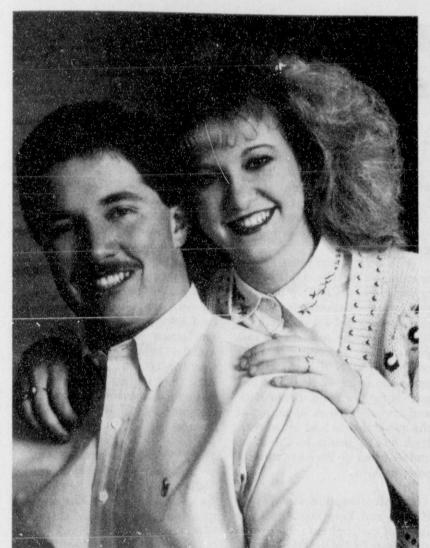
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Thank you, Norm, Cindy, Jeff and Shorty Peters







Mr. and Mrs. Thomas A. Stephens of rural Guymon, Okla., announce the engagement and forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Tamra Kay Stephens, to Andrew J. Clawson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Kirby B. Clawson of rural Satanta, Kan. Grandparents of the couple are Mr. and Mrs. Russell Weeks of Guymon and Mr. and Mrs. C.H. Clawson of Gruver. The bride-elect is a 1990 graduate of Guymon High School and is a junior at Oklahoma State University, majoring in animal science business. The prospective groom is a 1989 graduate of Satanta High School. He is a junior animal science business major at Kansas State University. Friends and relatives are invited to attend the marriage ceremony and reception May 23 at 4 p.m. at the Church of the Nazarene in Guymon, Okla.

Elementary lists perfect attendance

Gruver Elementary School has announced its perfect attendance list for the fourth six weeks grading period in kindergarten through

Students with perfect attendance in Mrs. Henson's kindergarten class were Liliana Chavez, Kalee Crawford, Salvador Luciano, Dora Mendoza and Troy TeBeest.

Perfect attendance in Mrs. Hobbs' kindergarten class was recorded by Christopher Clawson, Dimna Cruz, Jenny Hart, Christo-Hillenbrand, Ramon Magallanes, Garrett Miner, Cassie Myatt, Mario Ortiz, David Puebla, T.Jay Sherrill and Juan Hernandez.

First graders in Mrs. Cooper's class who had perfect attendance included Noemi Borunda, Kristina Christian, Katie Jones, Christie McDowell, Misael Rosales, Rodrigo Tarango, April TeBeest, Joshua Manning and Sage Gray.

First graders in Mrs. Haight's class who went to school each and every day were Alicia Alvarez, Hunter Bevill, Kasey Cazares, Lisa Johnson, Bryn Lowe, Brodie Steffenson, Carrie Stewart, Lori Swink, Dan Villegas, Colby Weldon and Francisco Gonzalez.

Perfect attendance in Mrs. Miller's first grade class was recorded by Lee Bridwell, Brandon Casdorph, Sergio Favela, Veronica Favela, Samantha Johnson, Chris Perez and Ricardo Hernandez.

Those with perfect attendance in Mrs. Karlin's third grade class included Clayton Acker, Casie Bridwell, Tara Chisum, Oralia Cruz, Julie Dahl, Cecilia Favela, Holly Hart, Shea Lowe, Chase Stapleton, Seth TeBeest, Taos Weldon and Aaron Weller.

Students with perfect attendance in Mrs. Maupin's third grade class included Kimberly Boyd, Kallie Cluck, Monalisa Garcia, Chase Lamb, Manuel Luciano, Jesus Magallanes, Richard Stewart and Jeremy Tunnell.

In Mrs. Williams' third grade class, tudents who attended school every lay were Rozann Carter, Johnny Lopez, Gisela Soto, Sammie Stavlo, Chad TeBeest, David Villegas, Tessa Yanke and Laura Gonzalez.

Fourth graders in Mrs. Mayhew's class with perfect attendance included Ricky Arreola, Randi Atwood, Kyler Barkley, Candace Barrera, Britt Carter, Jared Christian, Krystle Deeds, Dusty Eckhardt, Jinda Gamble, Dallas Henson and Mary Puebla.

Perfect attendance in Mrs. Overbey's fourth grade class was recorded by Bray Armes, Josh Blount, Aurora Favela, Daniel Hernandez, Chelsie Hicks, Colby Hunt, Leah Shults and Rosa

Mr. Roberts' fourth graders with perfect attendance were Lee (Nunez) Blevins, Esmeralda Bravo, Darren Duran, Trevor Ferguson, Amanda Griffin, Derik Grotegut, Donavon Karlin, Annie Mayhew, Dan Odom, Lacie Osbourne, Nicole Shearer, Lindy Tolleson, Sandra Villa and Kenneth Manning.

Elementary students Jump Rope for Heart

Fifty-seven Gruver Elementary School students in grades kindergarten through fourth participated in the "Jump Rope for Heart" program Thursday, Feb. 20.

"Jump Rope for Heart" coordinator Gail Etheredge said that the fund-raiser was conducted in the Gruver Elementary School gym, and that \$2,343.15 was collected for the American Heart Associa-

On The Go With Joy

been in full swing with our quilting projects and with the classes being offered in Hansford County, there is no excuse for learning some of the strip piecing, no template method of cutting our patches. While it used to take hours of cutting little individual diamond shape pieces, hours of coordinating colors and then sewing all those pieces into a quilt top called the Lone Star, now it can be done, ready to quilt in a matter of a few hours. Quite an improvement over the "good old days" of Grandma.

With all the new modern tools and equipment, we are kind of losing out on the togetherness of the "quilting bees" and social life of getting a prized possession ready for a hope chest or new baby. So, there has been some talk of forming a quilting guild here in our county. We have been offered a location, but we are now in the process of obtaining information on how to go about organizing and establishing guidelines, etc. If any of you have any ideas or show an interest in this sort of thing, let me know and I'll pass it on so that the fun can

One thing I've learned, there are several around that are of the younger generation and are showing an interest in quilting. I think it would be neat to mix the younger with us older and "oldies" to share ideas and get back to some basic art. As I have said before, there is a common bond between us. We could have a fabric "swap meet" as we all tend to buy and store up fabric for future quilts and most of our husbands have a few caustic remarks about "who in the world would go buy big pieces of fabric so we could take it home to cut up into little pieces and mix up the colors, then sew up the little pieces into big pieces, add some more fabric for lining, batting to go in the middle layer and call it a quilt. All you really need to do is go buy a blanket at the store. Then you could save all your money, time, and energy on something important like cleaning up this messy house." Well, there is no explaining our madness to men or anyone else who doesn't understand quilting fever.

It is kind of like those who are hooked on fishing, hunting, golf, etc., who hold out (or up) their arms to measure a prize catch, us quilters are holding our arms out (or up) to

receives certificate

Alan Luke Miller, a student at Gruver High School, is among the academic top 2 percent of graduating seniors who will receive certificates of achievement in the Tandy Technology Scholars program.

Each participating school in the program may nominate a senior who is outstanding in mathematics, science or computer science. These students will receive a certificates recognizing them as Tandy Technology Scholars. In addition, they are eligible for one of the 100 scholarship of \$1,000, awarded annually.

Since Christmas, a lot of us have brag on our stack of fabric. So there! Spring break is over but the excitement of Hound Roundball lingers on. After a few days rest the boys will again go into action on their way to State. The girls lost a heart-breaker last week-end, but as the old saying goes, "Just wait 'til next year."

> The Danny Carthels have returned from their first year's experience at the Houston Stock Show. I figured Harletta needed a guide to help find the hot spots and I tried to hitch a ride, but I couldn't get packed quick enough. I really didn't want to go just to see the livestock, I go to make umpteen trips back and forth to the commercial exhibits and crafts, but on my next to the lats trip to Houston, I got caught trying to buy a picture and sneak it home in my suitcase. M.H. followed me every time I disappeared so on the very last trip to Houston, I confessed that the only reason I was going was to buy something special and I didn't want no hassel or flap. So, I accomplished my purchase and have never been back.

Anyhow, it's a great life if you don't weaken - but we weakened.

Others who took advantage of school being dismissed was Glenda Renner, who took her mother Vivian Green and visited Joel and Adeline Wheeler in Albuquerque, N.M. Adeline is Glenda's sister.

Bob and Connie Burgoon also going west into New Mexico to visit newlyweds John and Amy Duncan and Connie's sister and husband. Paula and David Tarbet will be returning the visit when he will be conducting a gospel meeting here in Gruver for the Church of Christ. After the Burgoons returned to Texas to visit kids and grandkids, they caught the flu bug or something and were feeling puny.

Idon't know the details, but overheard that Dave and Dixie Karlin went to Okie City and I also overheard Brenda Dahl's name. Just make up your own story and maybe it will be correct.

Visitors in Gruver were Velma Renner, from Amarillo, Kathy Nelson from Lubbock, Jody Holland, Mary Kathryn Moore from Vernon

Good news that Mike and Angela Grotegut announce the arrival of a son who weighed 8 1/2 lbs. Congratulations.

Those who enjoyed ski trips recently were a group from the UMY. Sponsors were Peggy Barkley, Mindy Davis, Steve Gaines and Debbie Odom. UMY members were Max Davis, Cody Barkley, Rex Ralston, Kenton Odom, Hart Derington, Chad Brown, Bailey Barkley, Wylee Maupin, Heath Tolleson, Scott Stedje, Jason Ward, Amber Murrell, Lexy Spivey, Joni Hart, Kristin Evans, Kaysha Cluck, Mary Dawn Henson, Grant Odom, John Holland, Tucker Henson and Heath Gaines, who suffered a hurt knee after taking a bad fall. We are thankful that nothing worse hap-

Our son Dennis also went skiing and the only thing bad was lack of sleep while traveling.

Those known in the hospital include Linda Walters in Spearman, who continues to be plagued with various undiagnosed illnesses.

Applications for lottery ticket sales licensing due March 31

want to sell lottery tickets when the games begin this summer need to submit their license applications by Tuesday, March 31, State Comptroller John Sharp has announced.

"We will guarantee businesses that meet the deadline - and have clean records - will be able to sell tickets when the Texas Lottery picks its first winners," Sharp said. "Experience in other states shows that the first day of sales is one of the busiest, and we want as many Texas merchants as possible to join in the fun and profits from the beginning,

The Lottery expects to license as many as 15,000 retailers in time for the anticipated July 1 sales of the first instant-winner, scratch-off tickets.

"We've tried to make it as easy as possible for any interested Texas business to join the Lottery," Sharp said. "All it takes is a \$125 fee and a clean record - and an application postmarked by March 31."

To help Texas businesses with the application process, the Comptroller's office has conducted retailer assistance seminars across the state and established a toll-free hotline. That retailers-only number is 1-800-37-LOTTO.

The completed application packet must include the fingerprint card, which is part of the criminal

AUSTIN - Texas retailers who background check required by state

"Interested businesses should call our toll-free number to find out who must be fingerprinted," Sharp said. "Then they should contact their local sheriff or police department to arrange to get printed."

Licensed retailers also must make arrangements with their financial institutions for their accounts to be accessible to electronic funds transfer transactions. The Lottery and licensed retailers will then be able to handle the required financial transactions automatically without having to visit the institution to fill out deposit or withdrawal slips.

Benefits for retailers who meet the March 31 deadline include:

 A large statewide advertising campaign promoting the Lottery kickoff;

A 5-percent commission on all

· Increased sales from custom-

ers redeeming winning tickets; and · Increased sales from customers visiting the stores to buy tick-

Even 1-year-olds need Social Security numbers for tax forms

by Virginia DeWitt

SSA branch manager

PAMPA - Here is an important reminder for parents who do not have Social Security Numbers for their children: this year when you file your 1991 federal income tax return, you must have a number assigned to each child age 1 or over in order to claim him or her as a dependent. Previously, federal law required a Social Security number for any dependent age 2 or older.

Parents will be pleased to know how convenient it is to get a Social

Security number for their children. 'two weeks. Simply call the toll-free number 1-800-772-1213, any weekday from 7 vided free of charge by Social Secua.m. to 7 p.m. The Social Security rity, and they also provide free help Administration will send you an in completing the form for those application form and instructions, who need it. or you can pick up the application

completed form to any Social Secu- file their tax returns. rity office. A pre-addressed envecurity card usually is issued within national holidays.

The application and card are pro-

Parents are urged to get SSNs (SS-5) at any Social Security office. for their children early so they will You can either mail or bring the have them when they are ready to

The local Social Security office is lope is provided for your conve- located at 125 S. Gillespie in Pampa. nience. The documents will be re- Office hours are 9 a.m. until 4 p.m., turned promptly, and a Social Se- Monday through Friday, except on

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Laura Pearson

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pionship and a bi-district win over

The Lynx starters led their team.

to a 17-15 season. The team got off

to a slow start because the starters

were involved in the football play-

offs. The team finished second in

The All-District team is selected

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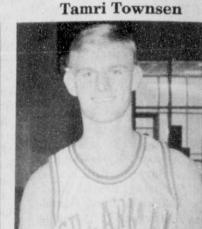
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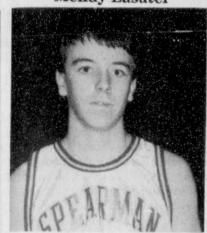




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Darian Hawkins

by a vote of the coaches in the dis- the All-District team and for the trict. According to Kirkland, each district Most Valuable Player. coach nominates his starters. The Coaches are prohibited from voting

coaches vote for their selections for for their own players. Spring sports set to begin this weekend



Both Gruver and Spearman track Friday and Saturday. The meet will teams will start a series of dual include both junior high and high matches to prepare for their disteams will run against each other and April 13 (girls). again at the Fritch meet on March 27 and 28. The junior highs will are listed elsewhere. meet again at Fritch and at the Spearman meet.

The Spearman tennis team will open its season Saturday, March 7 by playing in the Borger Quad tournament. It is scheduled to start at 9

The Gruver tennis team will start its season with two possible dual matches on March 3 and March 10. The team's first tournament will be March 20 and 21 in Plainview.

The Spearman team will be competing in Plainview as well. The two teams will compete together on

Hansford County schools begin one other occasion this season. That their spring sports seasons this will be at the Amarillo Relays on April 10-11.

The golf teams both start their competition on Tuesday, March 9. aquires the most points from this series of tournaments will be the teams are running in Stratford this district champions. The Gruver golf school competition. The two varsity trict tournament on April 6 (boys)

Complete schedules for the teams

Spearman Tennis Schedule March 7 - Borger Quad Tourney - 9 a.m. March 13-14- Hereford Tourn. or WTSU Tourn. - TBA March 20-21 - Plainview Tourn. Fri. 4 p.m. & Sat. 8:30 a.m. March 27-28 - Lubbock Tourn. Fri. & Sat. 8:30 a.m. April 3-4 - Perryton Tourn. April 10-11- Amarillo Relays Fri. & Sat. 8:30 a.m. April 13-16- Spearman - Dist. April 30-May 1 - Abilene Regional Tournament May 15-16- Austin State Tournament

Gruver Tennis Schedule March 3 - possible dual match March 10-possible dual match March 20-21 - Plainview March 27 - Gruver Team Tourn. April 3 - Perryton Team Tourn.

pace. Which, according to Lynx coach Wendell Neff, is the kind of game the Lynx wanted. The two guards for the Lynx, Brian Beck and Khris Kelp, took advantage of the quick pace to lead all scorers. Beck had 27 points on the night and Kelp had 19. Each had three 3point baskets. The offensive and defensive play

Through almost three quarters

of their bi-district game at Fritch

on Thursday, Feb. 27, the Spearman Lynx basketball team

stayed ahead of Highland Park by

forcing turnovers and getting easy

baskets. But in the end it was their

own turnovers that allowed Highland Park to catch up and win the

With both teams pressing and

trapping on defense and the Lynx

trying to get the ball up the floor

and into the basket before High-

land Park could set up their de-

fense, the game moved at a fast

game, 76-68.

Lynx' basketball

of Beck and Kelp kept the Lynx ahead of the Highland Park team till the last 1:47 of the third period. Three turnovers in a row, followed by three easy Highland Park baskets, erased the five point lead the Lynx had built up during the first part of the period and put Highland Park up by one point, 49-50.

By the end of the third period Highland Park had built their own five point lead, to make the score 52-57 at the start of the fourth

season ends at Fritch period. As the period progressed, the Lynx closed the gap on the Highland Park lead and tied them with 4:32 left in the game, at 60 points each. The Lynx took the lead when Beck and Kelp doubleteamed the Highland Park guard at the half court line. Kelp stole the ball and drove to the basket for an uncontested layup. That put the Lynx in the lead, 62-60.

But again, turn overs would hurt the Lynx' efforts. A turnover and a missed shot would lead to two Highland Park baskets and the lead. The Lynx would tie the game at 64 with 2:47 left in the game, but they would not be able to keep Highland Park from scoring. In the end it was 6 for 8 free throw shooting by Highland Park that made the difference.

> Game Summary Spearman 68 - HP 76

Cody Pipkin-7, Brian Beck-27(3-3pt.), Russell Shaver-4, Khris Kelp-19(3-3pt.), Brady Reed-7(1-3pt.), Mark Eakin-2, Darian Hawkins-2. **Practice Games Summary**

vs. Groom, 2-22 Spr. 62 - Gro. 66 Pipkin-7, Beck-10, Shaver-24(2-

3pt.), Kelp-15(2-3pt.), Reed-6, Eakin-2, Hawkins-2. vs. Briscoe,2-8

Spr. 66 - Bri. 57

Troy Law-2, Pipkin-16, Beck-17(1-3pt.), Shaver-13, Kelp-3(1-3pt.), Reed-6, Eakin-2, Hawkins-7.



After taking a lob pass from Spearman wing player Khris Kelp (32), Cody Pipkin (22) "skys" above the Highland Park defenders for a lay-up basket.

April 10-11- Amarillo Relays April 14-15- District - Memphis May 1-2 - Regional May 15-16- State

Spearman Track Schedule March 6-7 - Stratford All teams March 13-14 - Canadian All teams March 17 - Guymon High school only March 20-21 - West Texas

All teams March 27-28 - Fritch All teams April 3-4 - Spearman All teams April 10-11- Dalhart High school teams April 10-11- Sunray Jr. High Dist. April 16-17- Sunray High School Dist.

Gruver Track Schedule March 6-7 - Stratford Var. Boys & Girls, JV Boys, 7-8 Boys and Girls March 13-14-Sunray Var. Boys & Girls, JV Boys March 20-21 - Friona Var. Boys & Girls March 20-21 - Groom JV Boys & Girls, Jr. Hi Boys & Girls March 27-28 - Fritch

Var. Boys & Girls, JV Boys, 7-8 Boys & Girls April 3-4 - Wheeler Var. Boys & Girls April 3-4 - Spearman 7-8 Boys & Girls April 10-11- Dalhart Var. boys & Girls, JV Boys, 7-8 Boys & Girls April 16-17 District - Wheeler Var. Boys & Girls, JV Boys & Girls, 7-8 Boys & Girls April 24 - Regional Qualifiers Gruver Var. Boys & Girls

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Lady Hounds' season ends at regional

by Bob Bort

disappointing. The Gruver Lady Hounds suffered a 51-43 loss to the Lady Hornets from Sudan Friday, Feb. 28, in the first round of the Class A Regional Tournament at the Texan Dome on the campus of South Plains College in Levelland.

But for the Lady Hounds this year, nothing could quite dampen the overall success of the season, which broke a 28-year playoff-win dry spell, and the Lady Hounds went out in style against Sudan, fighting till the very end.

"I was more proud of this team than any team I've ever coached," said Gruver coach Steve Myatt after the game. "I feel great about the season - I'm very proud of the team. Late in the year, I think we developed a good personality on the court, and I really began to think that no one could beat us."

Myatt went on, "Sudan was quick, but we shot 38%, way off what we had been shooting, and that was the difference. But we never quit, we never gave up. We just didn't have a good shooting ball game."

Sudan went on to lose to Happy in overtime. The eventual tournament champion, with a berth in Austin this week, is the Claude Mustangs.

Mika McLain, if for nothing else (unlikely!), will always be known as the Gruver girl who best starts a basketball game. She came out hot again, with five jumpers and 10 points in the first quarter alone. McLain's two jumpers on her first two shots put Gruver up 4-0, and it looked like the Gruver ladies were on their way to victory. But Sudan scored seven unanswered points to lead 7-4, the first of two streaks that would be the Lady Hounds'

Anissa Ryan hit a jumper with 7:54 left in the half, and it was 16-16, and this one had the makings of one that would go down to the wire. Anissa Ryan-4, Traci Crawford-3, But then the Lady Hounds went Julie Mever-2.

cold, and they would not hit again Any loss is still a loss, and is from the field for the entire second quarter. Meanwhile, Sudan scored nine straight points for a 25-16 lead, and the game was out of control for the Lady Hounds.

Holly Venneman came alive in the third quarter with the first 11 points of the quarter for Gruver, but it was not enough. The Gruver ladies didn't seem to be able to make a dent in the Sudan lead of 9-

In the fourth quarter, Sudan ballooned out to a 13-point, 46-33 lead. It was then that Gruver decided they wouldn't quit and they would make a game of it. Wynn Maupin hit under the basket with 5:59 left, Venneman a free throw at 5:37, Maupin a free throw at 5:04, and it was back down to a ninepoint lead, 46-37. Then when Traci Crawford came in and bombed home a three-pointer, it was 46-40 and Gruver fans were hoping for a miracle comeback with 2:42 left. But Sudan hung on, thanks in large part to senior Michelle Tamplin, who scored 18 points, and freshman Muffin Davis, who scored 11.

Next year, Gruver will be in AA competition and won't have to worry about returning to Levelland to face these same teams - they will instead be looking at the Regional Tournament in Abilene, and AA competition like Abernathy and Panhandle and Spearman. It will be hard to top this year in excitement and accomplishment, but they probably will, returning the whole team save for Stacey Williams, who will graduate this year.

S (28-6) 16 27 40 51 G (22-11) 14 18 31 43

3-point shots: Traci Crawford, Amy Adams, Danielle Martin.

S-Michelle Tamplin-18, Danielle Martin-12, Muffin Davis-11, Teresa Williams-4, Amy Adams-3, Rosemary Salinas-2, Candy Weaver-1.

G-Holly Venneman-16, Mika McLain-10, Wynn Maupin-8,



Gruver defenders pressured the ball full court in both their bidistrict win and their area loss. In this photo, Kevin Spivey (left) and Chad Brown try to stop the inbounds pass.



Matthew Hoel tries to shoot a little jump shot over a Claude defender. Fighting for rebounding position are Marty McCloy (10) and Chad Brown (behind McCloy).

G (25-6) 11 26 44 55

C (26-7) 08 18 28 38

3-point shots: Kevin Spivey-3,

Marty McCloy, Brady Pool, Nathan

Greyhounds come up short in area tilt

The Gruver Greyhounds played one of their finest games of the year Tuesday, March 3, at the Caprock High School Activity Center in Amarillo, but came out on the short end of an extremely hard-fought 54-51 victory for the Petersburg Battlin' Buffs. Petersburg thus wins the Area Championship and is bound for Levelland and the Regional Tournament this week-

No, Gruver did not shoot well, hitting only 32% (18-56), but they played defense well and hustled well. In the end, Matthew Hoel had a chance at the buzzer to tie the game with a 3-pointer, and it looked good, but it was just a fraction off and rimmed.

Petersburg took a 5-2 lead, but Gruver came back as Trent Seagler hit from under the basket, and led 6-5 with 3:33 left in the first quarter. Seagler played a super ball game, with 4-4 from the field and 4-6 from the foul line. If he hadn't have had to leave the ballgame for brief spells to take a breather, the Hounds might have won.

It was Kevin Spivey and his 3pointers who kept the Hounds close to the Buffaloes in the first half. Spivey hit three 3-pointers, and Gruver trailed only 26-24 at the intermission. The score had been 26-19, so combined with an 8-0 run at the start of the third quarter, the Hounds outscored the Buffs 13-0, and really had them on the run and stampeded.

Spivey hit his fourth 3-pointer with 7:35 left in the third quarter for a 27-26 Hound lead. Then Hoel hit a jumper, and then a 3-pointer, and with 6:32 left in the third the

Hounds led 32-26. They looked to be on the way to the upset victory over the states fourth-ranked team.

But the Buffs came back and the game went down to the wire. With 3:18 left, Shannon Pool hit from under the basket to tie it at 49-49. Pool then stole the ball under the Buffs' basket and Seagler was fouled. He hit both ends of the free throws for a 51-49 Hounds lead.

But with 1:27 left the Buffs tied it 51-51, and with 0:47 left Joe Adams hit the second of two free throws for a 52-51 Buffs lead. Gruver took the ball down the court, but a travelling violation occurred when Marty McCloy got the ball caught under his right arm while dribbling.

The Buffaloes scored again with 10 seconds left for the 54-51 lead. Hoel's shot at the end could have tied it, but it was not to be on this night.

For the seniors - Marty McCloy, Shannon Pool, Matthew Hoel, Trent Seagler, Rex Ralston, Luke Miller, Ryan Mathews, and Chad Brown - it was the last ball game, and they will probably always wonder, "What if Matthew Hoel's shot had gone in..."

G (26-7) 10 24 38 51 P (25-4) 13 26 43 54

3-point shots: Kevin Spivey - 5, Brady Pool, Matthew Hoel.

G-Kevin Spivey-15, Trent Seagler-12, Matthew Hoel - 10, Shannon Pool-8, Brady Pool-5, Marty McCloy-2, Carey Kauffman-

P-Tim Fox-17, Joe Adams-16, Bryan Stephens-10, Jerry Fillingin-6, Doug Porter-2, Brannon Rodgers-2, Poncho Ramirea-1.

Health briefs

Osteoporosis May Begin Early -Osteoporosis, a crippling bone disease, may begin in childhood.

Dr. Steve Abrams, a researcher at the USDA's Children's Nutrition Research Center of Baylor College of Medicine in Houston, is

G-Kevin Spivey-12, Shannon

C-Mike Campbell-11, Chris

Eaton-8, Chris Skiles-8, Nathan

Robason-5, Matt Minkley-4, Beau

Pool-11, Trent Seagler-10, Brady

Pool-9, Marty McCloy-7, Matthew

Hoel-5, Luke Miller-1.

studying calcium absorption and skeletal development in 100 female volunteers aged 5 to 15.

"Most of an adult's skeleton is built and enlarged during adolescence," Abrams said. "Being shortchanged on calcium at this stage of life could be especially damaging."

> Elect Phil

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84th District

Judge

Greyhounds defeat Mustangs to take bi-district title

by Bob Bort

Thursday, Feb. 27, the Hounds survived an off shooting night and used their aggressive defense to methodically defeat the Claude Mustangs by 17, 55-38, at the Tex Hanna Fieldhouse in Borger.

The Hounds shot only 26% (16-61), but with their defense it was enough to dismantle a game, but overmatched, Claude team. The Mustangs' highly touted 6-11 Chris Skiles rarely saw the ball, and scored only eight points. Claude shot only 36% as a team.

"I every bit expected it to be as tough a game as it was," said Coach Tim Garland after the game, "pri-

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Gruver Golf Schedule March 9 - Shamrock - Girls March 10 - Shamrock - Boys March 17 - Booker - Boys March 19 - Booker - Girls March 26 - Memphis - Girls March 27 - Memphis - Boys March 30 - Canadian - Boys

April 6 - Borger **Boys District** April 13 - Borger Girls District

Spearman Golf Schedule March 9 - Borger

marily because of their height, which did give us trouble." But he continued, "I was especially proud because our defense took them out of their offensive sync - they were

note, which put the game away. With Claude leading 14-12 and three and a half minutes left in the second quarter, the Hounds went

back, and trailed only 32-26 mid-

never able to capitalize while we were struggling. Gruver did what they had to do on offense. It was a hard-fought victory. They had two streaks of

on a 11-0 streak to lead 23-14, and they were never headed after that. Claude made motions to come

Boys 9 a.m., Girls 1 p.m. March 16 - Spearman Boys 1 p.m., Girls 9 a.m. March 23 - Stratford Boys 9 a.m., Girls 1 p.m. March 30 - Canadian 'A' Girls 9:30 a.m. March 31 - Canadian "A" Boys 9:30 a.m. April 6 - Dumas Boys 1 p.m., Girls 9 a.m. April 30-May 1 - Abilene

Regional Tournament

way through the third quarter, saw action in this game, three of when Gruver went on a 14-2 run to them for the first time this year. put the game away, with a 46-28 Cody Barkley, Matt Etheredge and lead. Gruver's largest lead was 19 Jeffrey Price made their varsity points. They outscored the Mus- debut, and they each played well. tangs in every quarter, 11-8, 15-10, 18-10, and 11-10.

Brady Pool played an outstanding ballgame, with a three-pointer, and 6-6 from the foul line, for nine points. On defense he was magnificent, on offense he and Marty McCloy directed the Hounds well.

Kevin Spivey led the Hounds with 12 points, Shannon Pool had 11, and Trent Seagler had 10. All the Hounds played well on defense. All 14 Hounds who suited up

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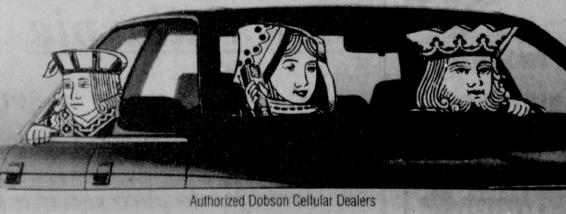
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Letter to the editor

When politicians and the media continue the "great winds of obfuscation" which blow over the American electorate or woo and confuse, it is time to sort them out on the major issue facing this republic.

Elections are about power over people. Two main vehicles of power, international political control and international banking, can get overlooked when they should have the bright light of exposure as they become more and more involved in the lives of Americans.

The President keeps his New World Order on the front burner without explaining what it will mean to America. "The Persian Gulf crisis is a rare opportunity to forge new bonds with old enemies (i.e., the Soviet Union)...a unique extradordinary moment...Out of these troubled times a New World Order can emerge, under a United Nation that performs as envisioned by its founders". - George Bush, 9-

The New World Order intentions were and continue to be internationalist control of political in-

stitutions and economics of the USA and the world. The innumerable 20th Century wars of destruction by the "peace-loving" socialist dictators who are members of the U.N. have blown out the lamp of peace forever. Only a simpleton can believe that the United Nations offers anything except tyranny and slavery as it grasps more power over every person on earth.

President Bush seems obsessed with destroying the U.S. Constitution and the Bill of Rights, the economic collapse of the U.S. government and people, and the political and economic merger with socialist governments in the United Nation. He has become a master at confusing the main issue of power transfer to international socialist

Sort out the voices of confusion, and true personal responsible lib-

erty is still most desired by citizens and most ignored by politicians., Has anyone ever heard George Bush define individual liberty and make even feeble attempt to protect it? \his administration issued 63,000 executive orders in 1990 which regulate private property and businesses. The estimates for 1991 executive orders may be as high as 90,000. The road to tyranny is thus paved.

Just think how many regulations Americans can anticipate under the Bush United Nations/ New World Order. As the winds of "political obfuscation" blow, demand that the main issues be discussed. Protect personal liberty of the U.S. Constitution and oppose the slavery from the Bush UN\New World Order.

Sincerely, MacDonald Hays



In this photo, a class of Spearman elementary students practice D.E.A.R., which stands for Drop Everything And Read. The whole school did this on Tuesday, March 24. Behind these students is another reading skills building activity, the Jog America Readathon. Students advance their tokens back and forth across the United States map, based on how many books

Texas Lottery logo contest announced

AUSTIN - "The Texas Lottery needs a uniquely Texas logo, and we're asking Texans to give us their ideas - with the chance of winning \$1,000," State Comptroller John Sharp said, announcing a contest to design a lottery logo.

"Every advertising company that wants our business must submit three logo designs, but we think everyday Texans have some great ideas as well," Sharp said in laying out the rules for the contest. "The first place finisher wins a \$1,000 cash prize and a chance to compete against the professionals.

You can use longhorns or lone stars, blue skies or bluebonnets, or any other uniquely Texas symbols that capture this state's mystique," Sharp said. "The only other rule is that the logo must communicate the fun of playing - and winning the Texas Lottery.

All entries must be submitted on

nounced in late March.

other than employees of the cial logo. Comptroller's office and their immediate families and anyone doing business with the Texas Lottery or proposing to do business with the

Along with the \$1,000 grand prize, the lottery will pay \$600, \$400, \$250 and \$100 to the second, third, fourth and fifth-place winners as well.

"Remember, you don't have to be Leonardo da Vinci painting the Mona Lisa to win, "Sharp said. "Entries will be judged on originality, simplicity of design and appropriateness of their concept rather than their artistic execution.

Each entry becomes the property of the Texas Lottery, and the or part of any entry as it sees fit. green color and compact conical

March 16. The winners will be and directly against the advertising companies' proposed designs for the The contest is open to all Texans chance to become the Lottery's offi-

Under terms of the contest, there

paper, postmarked no later than The grand prize entry will compete can be only one entry per Texan. Accompanying each entry should be the contestant's name, address and daytime telephone number.

> Entries should be mailed to: Comptroller of Public Accounts

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For more information about the logo contest, contact Frank Coniglio at the Texas Lottery at 512/404-

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Ten free Colorado blue spruce trees will be given to each person who joins The National Arbor Day Foundation during March 1992. The free trees are part of the nonprofit Foundation's Trees for America Campaign.

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The trees will be shipped postpaid at the right time for planting between April 1 and May 31 with enclosed planting instructions. The six to twelve inch trees are guaran-

teed to grow, or they will be replaced free of charge.

To become a member of the Foundation and to receive the free trees, send a \$10 membership contribution to TEN BLUE SPRUCES, National Arbor Day Foundation, 100 Arbor Avenue, Nebraska City, NE 68410, by March 31, 1992.

School menu

GRUVER ISD MARCH 9-12 LUNCH

Monday - cheese sandwich, tater tots, fruit, cookies, milk

Tuesday - soft shell tacos, cheese, lettuce, fruit, milk

Wednesday - fish sticks, tartar sauce, macaroni & cheese, green

beans, cobbler, corn bread, milk Thursday - corn dogs, beans,

day only.

Friday-no school. Weather day. Salad bar Monday and Wednes-

BREAKFAST

Monday - oatmeal, cinnamon bread, juice, milk

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Wednesday - biscuits & sau-

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Thursday - cinnamon rolls, fruit, milk Menu subject to change due to

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mon toast, orange juice, milk

Thursday - donuts, cheese toast, apple juice, milk

Friday - biscuits, sausage, or-

ange juice, milk

LUNCH

Monday - corn dogs, nachos, salad, fruit, milk

Tuesday - chicken strip, potatoes, gravy, corn, salad, fruit, milk Wednesday-fritopie, veg. tray,

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MARCH 9-12 LUNCH Monday - pizza, tossed salad,

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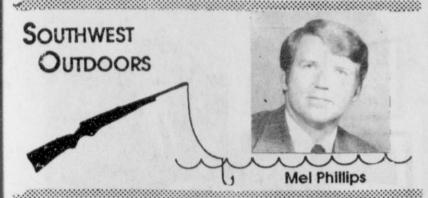
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Second place and \$250 went to KEITH TAYLOR of Pampa who is making a habit of finishing second at this kind of tournament. Keith also found some deep water bass that would hit a crawdad colored crankbait. Third place and \$150 went to Lake Greenbelt expert JACKIE IVY of Southwestern Public Service. The \$50 Luck of the draw was won by MIKE NAPLES, from the Amarillo post office.

The really big bass should be cruising the shallow water during March, and serious fishermen know that the biggest bass of the year are normally caught then. March is not the time for a wimpy rod and

light line. It's troppy time.

Next Lake Baylor Big Bass Tournament is scheduled for Saturday, March 14th. This shing contest is open to the public. Early entry fee

when the price increases to \$60. Polygraph will be given. Both Lake Baylor and Childress are OFF-LIMITS on Friday and either may be fished during the tournament.

For rules and entry forms call 806-353-3654, or stop by Anchor Marine, Billy's Boat Ramp, or Camper Roundup in Amarillo. Forms are also available from Roy Rapavi at the concession at Lake Baylor. The field is limited to the first 100 anglers and fishing hours will be from 10 a.m. until 5 p.m.!

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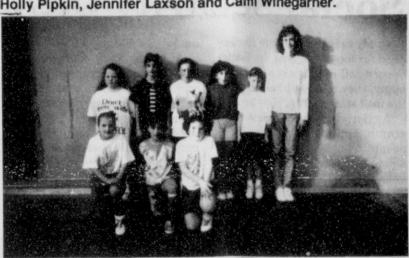
1992 is a strange year. The lack of cold winter weather means the normal winter kill of shad has not happened. A huge supply of these baitfish should provide extra food for the gamefish.

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(photo courtesy Shella Watley)

Marsha Pipkin's fifth and sixth grade junior league girls basketball team includes (front row, I-r) Leah Torrez, Leah Mackie, Crosbie Lair, (back row, I-r) Jennifer Neff, Dawn Loomis, Holly Pipkin, Jennifer Laxson and Cami Winegarner.



(photo courtesy Shella Watley)

Karen Thompson and Jan Williamson's team of third and fourth grade junior league basketball players includes (front row, I-r) Catrina Brooks, Nicole Lozano, Maranda Fight, (back row, I-r) Sally Pittman, Halee Beasley, Adrienne Simpson, Jenny Longoria and Robin McClure.



(photo courtesy Shella Watley)

Craig Schumann's third and fourth grade girls junior league basketball team includes (front row, I-r) Kayla Taylor, Amber Ramon, Isela Huerta, Tashi Schumarin, (back row, I-r) Leslie Widner, Brooke Lesly, Jenn Schnell, Kristi Wall and Natasha Burch.



(photo courtesy Shella Watley)

Andy Watley and Bobby Smith's third and fourth grade girls junior league basketball team includes (front row) Jamle Kunselman, (second row, I-r) Lacy Miesner, Irene Vaquera, (back row, I-r) Cheisea Nollner, Janae Watley, Camille Smith and Natasha Kirby.

Junior Girls Basketball Standings

5th & 6th Grade 1st - Trantham 2nd - Beedy 3rd - Keith Martin 4th - Terry Butt 5th - Marsha Pipkin 3rd & 4th Grade 1st - Andy & Bobby 2nd - Karen Thompson 3rd - Craig Schumann

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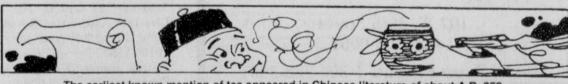




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by Virginia DeWitt SSA branch manager

PAMPA - Elderly people, people with disabilities, and those who are blind who have limited income should know that they may still qualify for monthly benefits under the Supplemental Security Income (SSI) program even if their assets are over the SSI limits, if they agree to sell those assets within a specified time. The rule permits some people to qualify immediately for much needed help from SSI, according to the Social Security Administration.

Under the SSI rules, single persons may have assets valued up to \$2,000 and a couple up to \$3,000 without affecting their SSI payment. And some assets are excluded in figuring SSI eligibility. These may include a home and adjacent land; personal effects and household goods with a total equity value of \$2,000 or less; a car; life insurance policies with a face value totaling \$1,500 or less per person; property used in a trade or business; burial plots or spaces regardless of value, if intended for use by a person or his or her immediate

family; or burial funds set aside for an individual and his or her spouse, up to \$1,500 each.

The applicant must agree to sell the assets that exceed the limits above within a specified time (nine months for real property, three months for personal property). SSI payments received pending the sale of the assets have to be repaid out of the proceeds of the sale.

Another rule excludes any real property that cannot be sold because it is jointly owned and its sale would cause the other owners un- national holidays.

due hardship due to the loss of housing; or its sale is barred for legal reasons; or the owner's reasonable efforts to sell have been unsuccessful.

People who need SSI should check with any Social Security office to find out if they qualify. The toll-free telephone number is 1-800-

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Medical insurance protection will begin on July for new enrollees, regardless of whether they sign up in January, February or March. The basic monthly premium this year is \$31.80. And there is a 10 percent increase in the premium for every year a person could have been enrolled in Part B but wasn't.

If you have questions about the open enrollment for Part B medical insurance, you can call Social Security's toll-free number, 1-800-772-1213. If you want to sign up for the coverage, contact your local Social Security office. The phone pital services, durable medical number is 806-669-1019. The office is located at 125 S. Gillespie and cal items and services not covered office hours are 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday except on national holidays

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Q: My neighbor told me she applied for food stamps at the Social Security office. But when I went to apply, they told me I had to go to the food stamp office. How come?

A: Social Security takes food stamp applications only from people who live in a household where everyone is either receiving or has applied Supplemental Security Income (SSI) payments. However, the people at Social Security does not decide if someone should get food stamps. Food stamp eligibility can be determined only by the state in which you reside.

Q: My 15-year-old sister has been blind since birth. I think she should apply for Supplemental Security Income, but my parents thing that because she is a minor, they are responsible for her and she won't

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A: Not entirely. To qualify for SSI, you must meet certain income and resource limits. Some of your parents' income and resources will be counted as your sister's in deciding if she meets the limits. Your parents should check at any Social Security office to see if your sister will qualify.

Q: How do I apply for a Social Security number for my child?

A: You can call the toll-free number, 1-800-772-1213, from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. any weekday to request an application for a Social Security card. The application lists the evidence required to obtain numbers for children or other dependents. Complete and return the application and required documents in the pre-addressed envelope which will be mailed to you. Cards will be issued for your dependents within two weeks. (Anyone who is 18 or older and who has never had a Social Security number must apply in person.)

Q: I am over 65 and get Social Security, but it just is not enough for me to live on after I pay my medical bills. A friend said I would be able to get help with my bills under some other program.

A: Your friend is probably talking about the Qualified Medicare Beneficiary (QMB) program. Generally, an applicant for the program qualifies if he or she has Medicare, and his or her income and resources are limited. The rules vary a little from state to state and local medical assistance (Medicaid) agency, social service or welfare office.

State Senator Teel Bivins (right) accepts the Texas Chamber of Commerce's Legislative Leadership Award for 1991 from Art Roberts, vice president of the Texas Chamber. The award is presented for outstanding service to a select group of key lawmakers who distinguished themselves during the regular and special sessions of the legislature during the past year. Criteria used as the basis for selecting the recipients of the award include sponsorship of business-oriented legislation, leadership in key business issues, and the member's overall voting record. The Texas Chamber of Commerce represents a network of over 4,000 individual businesses and over 350 local

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Q: I didn't get Medicare medical insurance when it was offered to me last year. Is it still possible to

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A: There is an annual general period for Medicare ; medical insurance that starts on Jan. 1 and runs through March 31. Whether you sign up in January, February or March, your insurance will begin on July 1 of that year. There is a 10-percent premium increase for each 12-month period you could have been enrolled but weren't. The premium increase may not apply if you have employer group health coverage. Contact Social Security and they will help sign

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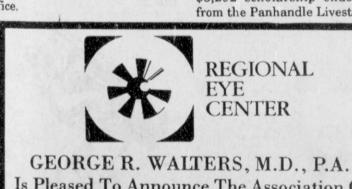
The Ranch and Feedlot Operations program at Clarendon College has been named recipient of a \$5,292 scholarship endowment from the Panhandle Livestock As-

At its annual meeting held Feb. 22 in Amarillo, a silent auction organized by Kris and Walt Lasley of Stratford, provided the bulk of the funding for the endowment. The first scholarship will be awarded during the 1992-93 college year.

Over 200 persons attended the association's 77th anniversary gathering. The group, which is emphasizing the importance of the young rancher, added 29 new members to its ranks. Officers re-elected for the coming year are: President, Nancy McIntyre, Spearman; Vice President, Earl Wheatley, Hedley; and Secretary-Treasurer, Stacy

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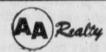
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DEMOCRATIC PARTY PRIMARY ELECTION (ELECCION PRIMARIA DEL PARTIDO DEMOCRATICO) HANSFORD COUNTY, TEXAS (CONDADO DE HANSFORD, TEXAS)

MARCH 10, 1992 (10 de marzo de 1992) SAMPLE BALLOT (BOLETA DE MUESTRA)

R. L. McFarlin, Jr.

☐ Helen Dry

County Tax Assessor-Collector (Asesor-Colector de Impuestos del Condado)

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☐ Ernie Vanderburg

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☐ Paul Banner

☐ Charles F. (Charlie) Baird

tion in May. They are the mayor,

currently held by Burl Buchanan,

and two alderman seats currently

held by Don Reed and Bob Boxwell.

up for election. That is the seat

currently held by Buster Davis.

Gruver has one councilman seat

The filing period for these offices

will remain open until the close of

business on Wednesday, March 18.

To sign up as a candidate for one of

the board or commissioner seats up

for election, a person must go the

business office of the municipality

or school district they live in and

want to serve on, and fill out a

If a person decided to run for one

of the seats after the March 18

deadline, they could still run as a

write-in candidate. They would

have to declare their candidacy to

the school or municipality office by

ance for these elections will start

April 13 and close April 28, Regular

voting will take place on May 2.

Early voting by personal appear-

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registration form.

April 2.

Residence from page 1 Candidates from page 1

3 Republican race.

The other difference in the Republican ballots will be at Precinct Chairman. There is a race for Precinct Chairman of voting precinct 1, between Randy Kirk and Carla Woodington.

tains a non-binding referendum. The referendum is asking Republican voters if they favor limiting terms of office for people serving in elected Texas state offices.

Scouts from page 1

the special week.

Cadette and Senior Girl Scouts representing Yucca Girl Scout Council are Ruth Ann Hokit, Junior, Guymon High School, and Ivy Lark, Senior, Goodwell High School.

Local Scout troops will be working on a "clean-up-spruce-up" at the Little House. Anyone interested in helping is asked to contact Carolyn Cummings. All help would be appreciated.

Obituary

Samantha Kay Ivey

Family graveside services were held Sunday, March 1 for Samantha Kay Ivey, infant daughter of Cole

the Rev. Todd Dyess and were con-

Survivors include her parents; a all of Spearman.

State Representative, District 88 (Representante Estatal, Distrito Núm. 88) ☐ Warren Chisum

judge, Court of Criminal Appeals, Place 3 Juez, Corte de Apelaciones Criminales, Lugar Núm. 3.

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the County Commissiones Precinct

The Republican ballot also con-

Mrs. Charles McIver of Spearman and Donnie Loomis of Mooreland, Okla. Her poster, along with the others, will be on display during

In addition to the posters

and Jana Ivey.

Services were presided over by ducted at Hansford Cemetery.

brother, Cody, of the home; and grandparents Bill and Ginger Pittman, Steve and Mary Lou Mathews, and Jim and Kay Ivey,

Sunday, March 15 11:30 a.m. - 5:00p.m. Perryton, Texas

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- + PROVEN Conservative, Consistent, Hard Working

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Pd. pol. Adv. by Bill Smith Campaign, Mark Dill, Treas., 515 Austin, Borger, TX 79007

Business should file property renditions

John Sharp has reminded Texas businesses that they must file property rendition forms with county appraisal districts by March 31, listing the taxable property which they owned or managed as of Jan. 1, 1992.

State law requires that anyone who owns or manages income-producing personal property on Jan. 1 must file a rendition statement with the local appraisal district.

"For example, businesses must report their inventories, furniture and fixtures, machinery and equipment and other tangible business property on a rendition. Filing this annual report is actually to their benefit because chief appraisers use the renditions to establish a property's value," Sharp said. "When a business' personal property is not rendered, the chief appraiser can only estimate the value."

Sharp also announced that businesses whose property was damaged by a storm, flood or fire last year may file a special decreased value report which could lower their final tax bills.

"Businesses which suffered damage during Christmas-New Year flooding across Texas may be able to receive a tax break to help them through the tough times ahead, but

Unemployment at 3.3 percent

The January unemployment rate in Hansford County was 3.3 percent, according to the Texas Employment Commission.

TEC figures show that during the month of January, Hansford County had a total civilian labor force of 3,813 persons. Of that number 3,689 were employed and 124 were jobless.

The Hansford County unemployment rate looked good compared with the statewide rate for January, which jumped to 8.3 percent from the December jobless rate of 6.7 percent.

Texas has not had an 8.3 percent rate since March of 1988, said TEC Commissioner Mary Scott Nabers. The average jobless rate in 1990, was 6.2 percent, and it jumped to 6.6 percent in 1991.

The lowest unemployment rates in metropolitan areas were Bryan-College Station's 4.7 percent, Austin's 5.8 percent, Amarillo's 6.6 percent, Lubbock's 6.8 percent and Midland's and San Angelo's 7.0 percent rates.

Metropolitan areas with the highest rates included McAllen-Edinburg-Mission at 19.7 percent, Brownsville-Harlingen at 14.6 percent, El Paso at 12.4 percent, Corpus Christi at 10.8 percent and Longview-Marshallat 10.5 percent.

AUSTIN - State Comptroller they must still file the paperwork by the March 31 deadline," Sharp said.

While business owners and operators are required by law to file renditions, any property owner including homeowners, farmers and ranchers - may voluntarily file one, or the report of decreased value.

All property owners may also receive a 30-day extension for either form, but must still file a written request with the appraisal district by the March 31 deadline.

Sharp noted that homeowners who voluntarily file a rendition are in a better position to exercise their rights as taxpayers. First, they are ensuring that the appraisal district has their correct address so that they are notified of any scheduled hearings or actions that may affect their property or tax bills.

"If the tax collector cannot deliver a tax bill because of an incorrect address, a property owner is still responsible for paying the taxes plus the penalties that may result from late payment," Sharp said.

Also, a rendition offers an opportunity for property owners to record their opinions of their property's

Finally, by recording an opinion, property owners have made sure that the chief appraiser must send them a notice before placing a higher value on their property. This notice allows property owners the time to gather information to protest the appraisal if they believe the proposed value is too high.

If a property is appraised by more than one appraisal district, the property owner should file a rendition in each appraisal district of-

Rendition forms are available at local appraisal district offices. For more information, contact local appraisal district offices or the Comptroller's Property Tax Division at 1-800-252-9121.

Hospital Notes

ADMISSIONS

Thursday, Feb. 27 - Carter Crawford

Friday, Feb. 28 - Gordon Kirby Saturday, Feb. 29 - Linda

Sunday, March 1 - none Monday, March 2 - none Tuesday, March 3 - none DISMISSALS

Thursday, Feb. 27 - none Friday, Feb. 28 - none Saturday, Feb. 29 - none Sunday, March 1 - none Monday, March 2 - none Tuesday, March 3 - Carter Crawford

PATIENT CENSUS Wednesday, March 4 - Linda Sanchez, Gordon Kirby, Ben Arthur



Worley Smith

Republican Candidate for **County Commissioner** Precinct #1

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