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Spearman Hires New Superintendent



Superintendent Rodney Sumner

Rodney Sumner, executive director of staff and student services for Tulos-Midway I.S.D. in Corpus Christi, was hired by the Spearman I.S.D. as Superintendent on Thursday night, April 15, 1999.

Rodney is married to Penny, and they have three sons, Kyle, an 18-year-old senior, Kolby, a 16-year-old sophomore, and Keith, nine-year-old 4th grader.

Penny is a high school counselor at Tulos-Midway I.S.D.

Rodney is a deacon at Arlington Heights Church of Christ, a member of the advisory board for Camp Bandina Christian Youth Camp, and is a member of Texas Association of School Administrators, Texas Association of School Personnel Administrators, Texas Association of Secondary School Principals, and Texas High School Coaches Association.

He was formerly a member of the Oxy-Chem Community Advisory Board (a local refinery in Corpus Christi), the advisory board for in-service training for the local law enforcement officials in Corpus Christi.

Rodney has spent the past 23 years at Tulos-Midway, where he has served in a variety of positions including teacher/coach, middle school assistant principal, high school principal, athletic director, and also at the

central office level. In 1990 his campus received the Governors Award for Excellence for Performance Gains, and in 1993 his Academic Decathlon team won the state title.

Rodney grew up in Abilene and graduated from Abilene Wiley High School. He attended Texas Tech University and graduated from Hardin-Simmons University in Abilene.

He and his family moved to south Texas in 1976 to be an assistant basketball coach for a coach from Floydada.

Mr. Sumner stated, "My family and I are ready to make a move. We specifically narrowed our search to the West Texas area because we like the values that come with that area and want to raise our family there." Mr. Sumner also commented that he was looking forward to the weather changes and to be able to experience the four seasons.

"I never met a group of people friendlier than the ones I have met so far from Spearman - from the kids to the adults," stated Mr. Sumner.

Mr. Sumner plans to begin his position on Monday, May 3, 1999, after attending the Regional Track Meet in Abilene. The school system in Corpus Christi is a year-round school, so his family will not be able to join him until mid-summer.

Spearman Police Chief Resigns

Spearman Chief of Police, Lawrence Kenealy, submitted his resignation to the Spearman City Council on Tuesday, April 20, 1999. The resignation becomes effective on July 1, 1999.

Kenealy has led the Police Department since his arrival in Spearman in March of 1995.

"The City of Spearman has many nice people. It is also a very wonderful town. It is just time for us to move on," stated Chief Kenealy.

"I am currently sending out resumes and am also considering finishing my masters degree in criminal justice and possibly teaching criminal justice sometime in the future," Kenealy continued.

Said Robert Patrick, Spearman City Manager, "We wish Chief Kenealy the very best in all of his undertakings and are grateful for his service to the City of Spearman."

"We are presently accepting applications for the position of Chief of Police and are hopeful that we can hire someone to fill Chief Kenealy's position quickly. We would like to have someone in place before Chief Kenealy leaves so that there might be a smooth transition period."

"If anyone has any questions concerning this matter, they may contact me at City Hall," stated Patrick.

Morse Days Set

Morse Days will take place early this year! Normally held in July, this celebration will kick off with a Rabies-Coggin Clinic by the Spearman Vet Clinic, from 2:30-4:30 p.m. on Friday, May 7, 1999.

Pringle 4-H will sponsor a pie contest and auction, parade and dance, while the Morse Lions Club will host a hamburger feed at 6:00 p.m. in the park.

Pies will be received at the Community Building until 4:30 p.m. Anyone may enter. Please bring homemade pies in disposable pie pans. Winners will be announced at the hamburger feed, followed by the pie auction. Half the proceeds will go towards the Community Building Funds.

Parade entries need to line up at the Equity Elevator at 4:00 p.m.

A dance with music by a Nashville recording group will follow the feed and pie auction.

4-H Secret Pals and Livestock Buyers will be recognized. Everyone is invited for fun and fellowship.

Spearman Girls Win District Track

The Spearman Varsity Girls Track Team took top honors in the District 5-2A track meet on Friday and Saturday, April 16th and 17th at Boys Ranch. Results follow.

Varsity Girls

District Champions

3200 M. Run: Misty Hand - 5th; 400 M. Relay: Brooke Lesly, Clara Shieldknight, Halee Beasley, and Brittini Beedy - 1st; 100 M. Hurdles: Holly Pipkin - 3rd, Clara Shieldknight - 4th; 800 M. Relay: Cindy Goodman, Halee Beasley, Chelsea Nollner, Stephanie Bynum - 1st; 400 M. Dash: Stephanie Bynum - 1st; 300 M. Hurdles: Brooke Lesly - 2nd, Holly Pipkin - 5th, Clara Shieldknight - 6th; 200 M. Dash: Cindy Goodman - 1st, Chelsea Nollner - 4th; 1600 M. Relay: Brooke Lesly, Halee Beasley, Cindy Goodman, Stephanie Bynum - 1st; Triple Jump: Chelsea Nollner - 1st, Brooke Lesly - 4th, Clara Shieldknight

- 5th; High Jump: Misty Hand - 3rd; Shot Put: Laura Gillaspie - 5th; Long Jump: Chelsea Nollner - 1st, Halee Beasley - 4th; Discus: Jenn Schnell - 2nd, Allison Haley - 5th

Regional Qualifiers:

Chelsea Nollner - Triple Jump, Long Jump, 800 M. Relay; Jennifer Schnell: Discus; Brooke Lesly: 400 M. Relay, 1600 M. Relay, 300 M. Hurdles; Brittini Beedy: 400 M. Relay; Clara Shieldknight: 400 M. Relay; Halee Beasley: 400 M. Relay, 800 M. Relay, 1600 M. Relay; Cindy Goodman: 200 M. Run, 1600 M. Relay; Stephanie Bynum: 400 M. Run, 800 M. Relay, 1600 M. Relay; Alternatives: Misty Hand - High Jump, Holly Pipkin - 100 M. Hurdles

Varsity Boys

3rd Place

Triple Jump: Landon Miller - 1st, Aaron Witten - 2nd; High Jump: Landon Miller -

1st, Nathan Pipkin - 3rd; Long Jump: Brian Black - 6th; 100 M. Run: Aaron Witten - 5th; Discus: Clancy Vanderburg - 1st, Quinten Shieldknight - 5th, Kelsey Henton - 6th; Shot Put: Clancy Vanderburg - 4th; 200 M. Run: Carlos Hernandez - 2nd; 400 M. Run: Carlos Hernandez - 2nd; 400 M. Relay: Aaron Winegarner, Kelsey Henton, Chuck Grayson, and Carlos Hernandez - 3rd; 800 M. Run: John Brock - 5th, Julian Villarreal - 6th; 300 M. Hurdles: Josh Schumann - 5th; 1600 M. Relay: Julian Villarreal, John Brock, Josh Schumann and Matt Dunnihoo - 6th

Regional Qualifiers:

Clancy Vanderburg - Discus; Aaron Witten - Triple Jump; Landon Miller - High Jump, Triple Jump; Carlos Hernandez - 400 M. Run, 200 M. Run; Alternatives: Nathan Pipkin - High Jump; Kelsey Henton, Carlos Hernandez, Aaron Witten, Chuck Grayson - 400 M. Relay

JV Boys

3200 M. Run: Joe Wilson - 1st; 1600 M. Run: Joe Wilson - 1st; Pole Vault: Marty Miesner - 1st, Joe Wilson - 2nd, Tanner Beedy - 4th; 400 M. Run: Hector Diaz - 3rd; 110 M. Hurdles: Steven Vasquez - 2nd, Edward Vasquez - 3rd; 300 M. Hurdles: Edward Vasquez - 4th; 400 M. Relay: J.D. Shufeldt, Joe Wilson, Hector Diaz, and Coy Herrington - 5th; 1600 M. Relay: Hector Diaz, Coy Herrington, Steven Vasquez, Edward Vasquez - 5th; Discus: Richard Varmon - 1st, Clayton Vanderburg - 2nd; Shot Put: Clayton Vanderburg - 6th

8th Grade Boys

1st Place

Shot Put: Paul Bynum - 6th; High Jump: Kevin Beedy - 4th, Josiah Vasquez - 5th; Long Jump: Colton Miller - 1st, Matt Francis - 2nd; Triple Jump: Kevin Beedy - 1st, Lance Baker - 2nd, Matt Francis - 6th; Pole Vault: Colton Miller - 2nd, Lance Baker - 3rd; Spring Relay: Fernando Enriquez, Matt Francis, Lance Baker, Paul Bynum - 1st; Mile Relay: Kevin Beedy, Matt Francis, Paul Bynum, Colton Miller - 1st; 800 M. Run: Colton Miller - 1st, Kevin Beedy - 2nd, Ray Baker - 4th; 1200 M. Run: Ray Baker - 1st, Scott Sauer - 4th; 100 M. Run: Paul Bynum - 1st, Lance Baker - 6th; 400 M. Run: Kevin Beedy - 2nd, Fernando Enriquez - 3rd, Ryan Quillin - 4th; 200 M. Hurdles: Colton Miller - 3rd, Matt Francis - 5th; 200 M. Run: Fernando Enriquez - 4th

8th Girls

Results not available.

7th Boys

6th Place

Pole Vault: Justin Eslick - 3rd; Shot Put: Justin Eslick - 3rd, Chris Langley - 5th; Discus: Marcus Vasquez - 3rd; 200 M. Run: Michael Lozano - 6th; 800 M. Run: Marcus Vasquez - 5th; 400 M. Relay: Ricky Garcia, Michael Lozano, Chris Cudd, Russell Sheets - 5th; 1600 M. Relay: Ricky Garcia, Chris Cudd, Russell Sheets, Marcus Vasquez - 6th

7th Girls

Results not available.



Mr. Livingston, student teacher at Gruver I.S.D., looks on as Gruver Houndsound Band Senior Teresa Crow takes a turn in shaving Band Director Mr. Parker's head. (Photo submitted)

Houndsound Band Wins

by Rodney McDowell

On April 14, 1999, the Gruver Houndsound Band had to tread through deep water and some tough competition to win the Sweepstakes trophy at Boys Ranch for the District 1-A U.I.L. Concert Band and Sight Reading competition. They scored a Division I in Concert Band, a Division I in Sight Reading, and a Division I in the Marching Competition held in the fall, to win.

With all the welcome rain to the area this past Wednesday morning in the Moore County area, it was a rough road getting there. After a couple of detours on the way to Boys Ranch, the Houndsound Band was there to make sure they would trade Mr. Parker's hair for the trophy. (A week or so earlier, Mr. Parker had stated that "If you win the Sweepstakes Trophy, you can shave my head.") On the morning after the big victory, the band members, with razor in hand, made good on Mr. Parker's promise.

In Gruver, there is a lot of pride in the band and with a band director like Todd Parker, it's easy for the band members and band parents

to show their pride. Mr. Parker goes "above and beyond the call of duty" to make sure the band is ready for any and all competitions. As the trophies and reputation have shown.

At a number of football games and competitions this school year the band parents have heard other towns say "We don't want to perform after Gruver as good as they are." With this kind of reputation it is easy and fun to be a Gruver band parent. But without Mr. Parker's guidance and a great bunch of kids willing to do whatever it takes to win we would be just another town in Texas that no one south of Lubbock has ever heard of.

And to top off the hair cutting ceremony, student teacher Kenny Livingston let the band students talk him into a buzz job. But Mr. Parker insisted that he would do the honors after what he had been through.

As a Houndsound band parent, I would like to say thanks to Mr. Parker for all he and Mr. Livingston have done to show their school pride in to our band students. With directors like this, we can't do anything but win!

Hospital Auxiliary

by Alva Garner

The Hansford Hospital Auxiliary met on Monday, April 12, 1999 for the Spring Luncheon and business meeting at the Church of Christ Fellowship Hall in Spearman.

President Margarette Evans presided over the business.

The Auxiliary welcomed Margaret Lair as a new member.

Verna Brown presented 150 hour pins to Muriel Boyd, Maylyn Ayres, Alva Garner, Mary Fern Terry, Adalyn Barnes, Virginia Head, and Margarette Evans. She presented 100 hour pins to Teresa Kirk, Dorothy Lusby, Jackie Graham, Edith Smith, Verna Brown, Rosa Lee Butt, and Betty Jean Davis.

New officers were installed for 1999-2000. They are: President - Jackie Graham; Vice-President - Verna Brown; Secretary - Muriel Boyd; Treasurer - Mary Fern Terry; Historian - Margarette Evans.

The Auxiliary voted to purchase: For the Manor - an AM/FM radio, three sets of bells

for a bell choir, two large clocks for the living room and dining room; For the Hospital (x-ray department) - one patient mover, one easy slider wall hanger, one utility stool, one foot stool, and one lead apron rack; For the Kitchen - two electric roasters, one bus cart, one small food cart, one large pancake griddle. All items will be purchased with funds from the Christmas Card Fund.

From the regular fund the auxiliary voted to purchase a new Christmas tree for the manor and new decorations for the tree and new decorations for the hospital.

Those present were: Adelyn Barnes, Margaret Lair, Muriel Boyd, Jackie Graham, Rosalee Butt, Elsie Matthews, Ora Lee Blackburn, Maria Avila, Lorene Kunselman, Virginia Trindle, Dorothy Lusby, Mary K. Harbour, LoRee Booth, Teresa Kirk, Virginia Head, Carol Sell, Betty Davis, June Jackson, Judy Yarbrough, Verna Brown, Alva Garner, Mary Fern Terry, Margarette Evans. Visitors present were Jerry Hunt, Pete Alberty, Ernestine Salgado and Anne Snow.

Miss Hansford Entry Forms Available

The 1999 Miss Hansford Pageant will be held on June 3, 1999 at 7:00 p.m. in the Spearman High School Auditorium.

Entry forms will be available through April at Kid's Stuff, Lady Fair, Main Street Store in Gruver, and the Spearman Chamber of Commerce Office.

Age divisions are: Little Miss - 4-6, Junior Miss - 7-9, Pre-Teen - 10-12, Miss Teen - 13-16, Miss Hansford - 17-21.

Entry forms must be returned by 5:00 p.m. on April 30, 1999.

The theme for this year's pageant is "Endless Summer." The Mistress of Ceremonies will be Linda Underwood.

Miss Hansford Committee members are: Cindy Avila - Chairman, Jodie Hight, Cindy Walton, Davonna Daharsh, Maria Ochoa, Kathy Boyd, Rosalee Bueno, Sandi Pearson, Rhonda Baker, and Donna McCubbin.

A modeling clinic for Miss Teen and Miss Hansford contestants will be held on Saturday, May 15, 1999 at First National Bank from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon. For more information, please contact Cindy Avila 659-3830 after 5:00 p.m.

Happy Birthday!

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

April 22

Birthday - Cheicie Davis, Agnes Hoel, David Link, Shelly Stejda, Sharon Wilson, James Martin, Bonnie Garnett, Loyd Cator, Clifford Hornsby, Rosalinda Vela, Mary Parker, Mary Ojeda, Margie Galvan, David Roy Martin, Cindy Womble, Lisa Tarango, Troy TeBeest, Donna Cook, Velma Deweese, Debbie Hornsby, Janice Fulce, Hannah Speck, Shelly Stejda, Karen Babitzke, Brendon Carter

Anniversary - Mr. & Mrs. Pablo Perez, Mr. & Mrs. Brad Renick, Mr. & Mrs. Joe Lopez, Mr. & Mrs. Victor Lopez

April 23

Birthday - Sam Garnett, Juan Renteria, Rosa Linda Vela, Brea Archer, Dustin Barber, Stacy Poole, Patricia Dunaway, Sharon Coble, Frank Prouty, Seth Blane, John David Brown, Curtis Covington, Shonda Odegaard, George Aquero, Macy Jones, Stephen Cook, Ramsey Jenschke

Birthday - Kerri Barkley, Jenna Beth Kiser, Bart Shapley, Greg Slough, Mike Scroggs, Muri Pearson, Josephine Saigado, Wendy Woolley, Odell Fanning, Blake Fitzgearld

Anniversary - Mr. & Mrs. Wayne Bayless

April 25

Birthday - Jerry Orr, Robert Hagerman, Keith Lewis, Pat Underwood, Donna Hill, Meagan Burrell, Mia Burrell, Greg Breland, Mary Bayless, Jodi Martin, Joshua Nash, Roy Garcia, Joe Ruhlin

Anniversary - Mr. & Mrs. Lewis Hill Jr.

April 26

Birthday - DeeDee Johnson, Juanita Logsdon, Benny McClenagan, Angie Rimmel, Kenny Slough, Susie Hand, Lyndee Ferguson, Linda Garcia, Ricky Ellsworth, Bob Marsh, Juan Rojas, Summer Riggins, Donna Duggan, Larry Ross

Anniversary - Mr. & Mrs. Ray Robertson, Mr. & Mrs. Pete Vera

April 27

Birthday - Hart Derington, Tek Ferguson, Archie Nelson, Beatrice "Sis" Stayton, Mitzi Myers, Jerry Ross Jr., Marie Snider, Simona Rayes, April Tenneson, Elva Sullivan, Jean Burgess, Veronica Favela, Wilma Reese, Alan Hutchinson, John Michael Duncan, Kathy Floyd, Christy Harris

Anniversary - Mr. & Mrs. Victor White

April 28

Birthday - Kade Carthel, Wade Dahl, Jerry Duncan, Pat Harris, Jody Irwin, Krysanne Johnson, Shirley Lowe, Elvin Martin, Scott Swan, Kerry McMullan, Tammy Savage, Vernon Tindell, John Henry Hughes, Sambo Connelly, Clark Bridges, Victoria Vela, Jessica Mayo, Janet Morales, Brad Renick, Jimmy Morley

Anniversary - Mr. & Mrs. Roy Riley, James & Linda Owens, Mr. & Mrs. Bill Gaither, Robbie & Valene Shield

April 29

Birthday - Jill Garrett, Clay Hobbs, Betty Roberts, Estelle Jackson, Britton Bengel, Burton Williams, Robbie Shields, Christine Harnish, Dora Alvarez, Greg Odegaard, Ila Willis, Randi Atwood, John Haynes, Madison McLain, Bailey Stejda

April 30

Birthday - Golda Mae Dunnihoo, Debra Cook, Shawn Martin, M.A. Brand, Robert Cantu, Cora Lee Jarvis, Hector Hermosillo, James E. Johnson

Anniversary - Mr. & Mrs. Kyle Irwin

May 1

Birthday - Eva Dozier, Josie Kiser, Cori Lowe, Marti Garnett, Jarett Swan, April Jarvis, Gina Hamilton, Earl Spencer, James Sterling, Floyd Dean Shook, Ryon Atwood, Christine States, Angela Coombs, Devin Delozier, Victoria Renteria, Allan Thompson, Steffany Simon, Aaron Weller, Dani Wheelock

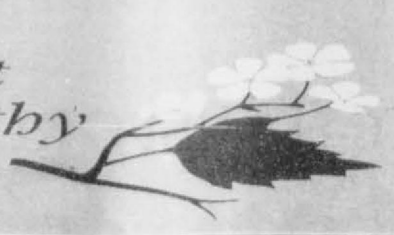
Anniversary - Mr. & Mrs. Bobby Don Smith, Ronnie & Coleen Schaefer

May 2

Birthday - Michael Booth, Hack Johnson, Roy Kauffman, Whitney Lilley, Chad Logsdon, Roscoe Nelson, Marshal Shaver, Carolyn Gressett, Melodie Kelp, Bryan Jenkins, Dalene Baker, Nick Renteria, Rex Shook, Lynn Davis, Keith Gibson, Connie Pape, Annie Torres

Anniversary - Mr. & Mrs. Jose Vaquera

With
Deepest
Sympathy



E.J. Callaway, Jr.

E.J. Callaway, Jr., 81, passed away on Monday, April 12, 1999. Services were held on Wednesday, April 14, 1999 at 2:00 p.m. in the First United Methodist Church in Spearman with the Rev. Ken Cole and Rev. Dan Carter officiating. Interment was at Hansford Cemetery under the direction of Boxwell Brothers Funeral Home of Spearman.

E.J. was born in Clarendon, TX on April 12, 1918. He had lived in the area since 1955 moving from Muleshoe, TX. He married Bymice Hogan on October 4, 1941 in Clovis, NM. He was formerly co-owner of Callaway Lumber, Callaway's House of Flowers and was a building contractor until his retirement. He was also a Spearman City Councilman for 13 years.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Enoch and Bessie Callaway, and a daughter, Jyniece Calls in 1991.

Survivors include his wife, Bymice, of Spearman; one son, Lee and Nelda Callaway of Amarillo; three granddaughters, Jill Bement of College Station, Jana Morris of Plano, and Kara Freeman of Ft. Worth; one grandson, Tyron Lee of Alpine; one great-granddaughter, McKayla Freeman of Ft. Worth and one sister, Della Kirkland of Farwell.

The family requests memorials be to the First United Methodist Church of Spearman, or one's favorite charity.

Jack McKee

Jack McKee, 49, died on Monday, April 19, 1999 in Spearman. Graveside services were held at 2:00 p.m. on Wednesday, April 21, 1999 at Ochilfree Cemetery with the Rev. Jeff Knight officiating. Services were under the direction of Boxwell Brothers Funeral Home of Spearman.

Jack was born in Pratt, KS in 1950. He had lived in the area for 29 years, moving from Peryton.

He was a 1968 graduate of Peryton High School, attended Oklahoma Panhandle State University, and was formerly employed by Speartex Grain Co. and Cargill, Inc. He was a member of the First Christian Church of Peryton.

He was preceded in death by his father, Mac McKee in 1960, and his sister, Jamie Studebaker in 1961.

Survivors include his mother, Fontella McKee of Spearman and a sister, Sue Drum of Yorba Linda, CA.

Thank You

We wish to express our gratitude for your support and many acts of kindness - evident in thought and deed at the loss of our loved one, E.J. Callaway, Jr.

Byrnice Callaway; Lee and Nelda Callaway and Family

Thank You

We would like to say thank you in appreciation to each and everyone who assisted in the well being of Rhonda, Ashley and Allison in their recent auto accident on April 10, 1999. We especially want to thank the EMTs and the Hansford Hospital staff who were of great assistance.

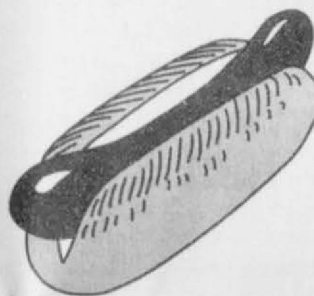
Thanks again,

The Family of Kevin, Rhonda, Ashley & Allison McNett

SPEARMAN LIONS CLUB'S FREE HOT DOG LUNCH

The Spearman Lions Club is hosting a FREE Hot Dog Luncheon on Friday, April 30th on the Courthouse Lawn. Everyone is invited to attend.

All donations will benefit Hansford Soccer Association.



Soccer Exhibition Game Spearman Men's Soccer Team

vs.

Sergio's Body Shop

Saturday, May 1st • 4:00-6:00 p.m.
High School Football Field

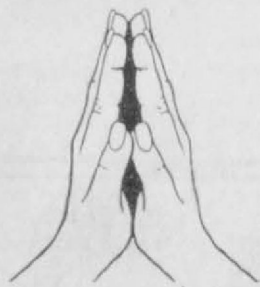
Tickets: \$4 for adults, \$2 for children under 12

Concessions available.

Proceeds go toward construction of shed for soccer equipment.



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I delight to do Your will, O my God, and Your law is within my heart. Teach me to do Your will, for You are my God; Your Spirit is good. Lead me in the land of uprightness. Now He Who searches the hearts knows what the mind of the Spirit is, because He makes intercession for the saints according to the will of God. For the One Whom God has sent speaks the words of God; to Him God gives the Spirit without limit. The Father loves the Son and has placed everything in His hands.

[Paul started one of his letters like this:] "Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, To the saints in Ephesus, the faithful in Christ Jesus: Grace and peace to you from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ."

[Paul wrote about a friend:] "Epaphras, who is one of you and a servant of Christ Jesus, sends greetings. He is always wrestling in prayer for you, that you may stand firm - all the will of God, mature and fully assured."

Slaves, obey your earthly masters with respect and fear, and with sincerity of heart, just as you would obey Christ. Obey them not only to win their favor when their eye is on you, but like slaves of Christ, doing the will of God from your heart. Serve wholeheartedly, as if you were serving the Lord, not men, because you know that the Lord will reward everyone for whatever good he does, whether he is slave or free.

Be joyful always; pray continually; give thanks in all circumstances, for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus. Do not put out the Spirit's fire; do not treat prophecies with contempt. Test everything. Hold on to the good. Avoid every kind of evil.

May God Himself, the God of peace, sanctify you through and through. May your whole spirit, soul and body be kept blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. The One Who calls you is faithful and He will do it.

I press on toward the goal to win the prize for which God has called me heavenward in Christ Jesus. With this in mind, we constantly pray for you, that our God may count you worthy of His calling, and that by His power He may fulfill every good purpose of yours and every act prompted by your faith.

Taken from Ps. 40, 143, Rom. 8, Jn. 3, Eph. 1, Col. 4, Eph. 6, 1 Thes. 5, Phil. 3, II Thes. 1 The New International Version and The New King James.

In Spearman...

Apostolic Faith Church
822 S. Dessen • 659-2870
Sunday School 10am
Worship & Children's Church 11am
Sun. Evng. Youth Service 6pm
Wed. Prayer Meeting 7:00pm
Wed. Children's Choir 7:00pm
Pastor: James Brown

First Assembly of God
401 N. Barrie • 659-2295
Sunday School 9:00am
Worship 10:30am
Kids Church 10:30am
Evening Worship 7pm
Wed. Worship 7:30pm
Youth 7:30pm Wednesday
Pastor: Walter Geeser, Jr.

First Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)
29 S. Barrie • 659-2036
Sunday School 9:45am
Worship 10:30am
Evening Bible Study
Worship 6:30pm Sun.
Senior Minister: Joseph Weeks

First Baptist Church
123 N. Barrie • 659-6567
Sunday School 9:45am
Worship 11am
Evening Worship 7pm
Wed. Fellowship Meeting 6pm
Wed. Deepship Times 6:30pm
Wed. Youth Meeting 8pm Wed.
Pastor: Bob Patrick
Min. of Youth Education: Ben Foster

Church of Christ
121 S. Hany • 659-3044
Sunday Bible Class 9:45am
Worship 10:00am
Evening Worship 6:00pm
Bible Study Wed. 7:30pm
KIDFest Program
Living With Christ 7:50am MF
Minister: Larned Hager

Sacred Heart Catholic Church
901 Poland • 659-2792
Sat. Night Mass 7pm
Sunday Mass 9:00am - English
(9:00am, Spanish) (9:30am)
Sunday Mass 11:30am - Spanish
1:30pm - Greer - Chisb
Parish of St. Francis - Spanish
Rev. Scott Paul

Trinity Fellowship Church
717 W. 7th Ave • 659-2571
Sunday School 9:00am
Worship Service & Children's Church 10:00am
Pastor: Jimmy Taylor

First Presbyterian Church
(Worship with Faith Lutheran Church)
1021 Cedar • 659-2033
Sunday School 9:45am at Lutheran Church
Worship 11am (alternates monthly between Lutheran and Presbyterian Church Buildings)
Pastor: Beverly Cook

Faith Lutheran Church (ELCA)
1101 Barrie • 659-2252
(Worship with First Presbyterian Church)

First United Methodist
407 S. Hany • 659-6603
Sunday School 9:45am
Worship 10:30am & 11am
Jr. High Youth 5pm Sunday
High School 6pm Sunday
Parish of Kids Club 3:00pm Wednesday
Pastor: Ken Cole

Union Church
31 S. Endrot • 659-2644
Sunday School 9:45am
Worship 10:45am
Evening Worship 6pm
Bible Study & Prayer Mtg. 7pm Wed.
Pastor: Bill Sparks
Parsonage: 659-6073

Fellowship Baptist
1102 S. Archer • 659-2783
Sunday School 10am
Worship 11am
Evening Worship 6pm Sunday
Youth & Adult Serv. 7:30pm Wed.
Pastor: Gene Foster

Primera Mision Bautista
502 E. 7th • 659-3991
Sunday School 9:45am
Worship 11am; Evening 6pm
Wed. Prayer Meeting 7pm
Thurs. Bible 7pm

In Gruver...

First Baptist Church
402 E. Broadway • 733-2411
Sunday School 9:45am
Worship 10:00am
Deeple Training 6pm Sunday
Prayer Meeting 7:30pm Wednesday
Pastor: Scott Cury

Church of Christ
209 King • 733-2760
Sunday School 9:00am
Worship 10:20am
Evening Worship 6pm
Wed. Evening Worship 7:30pm

First Christian Church
510 King • 733-2960
Sunday School 10:00am
Sunday Worship 11am
Youth 7:30pm Sunday
Young Adult Bible Study 7:30pm Sunday
Wed. Bible Study 8:00pm
Pastor: Gay Gurnitty

Oslo Lutheran Church (ECLA)
6th Miss West & 12th Miss North of Gruver
339-7703
Sunday School 9:45am
Worship 11am
Pastor: John R. Chandler

Gruver United Methodist
Broadway & Canal • 733-2651
Sunday School 9:45am
Worship 10:30am & 10:50am
Evening Worship & UMY 6pm
Pastor: Jay Moore

Spanish Cristo Redentor Church
Sunday Mass 1:00pm
Frid. Evening Mass
Summer 8:00pm
Fall Winter 7:30pm

In Morse...

Morse Baptist Church
733-2757
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Laugh and Live

by Gary C. Smith

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A friend sent me some thoughts from young people on marriage. If you are married, this might be interesting to you. If you are not married or thinking of getting married, this is required reading.

HOW DO YOU DECIDE WHO TO MARRY?

"You got to find somebody who likes the same stuff. Like if you like sports, she should like it that you like sports, and she should keep the chips and dip coming."

Allan, age 10

"No person really decides before they grow up who they're going to marry. God decides it all way before, and you get to find out later who you're stuck with."

Kirsten, age 10

WHAT IS THE BEST AGE TO GET MARRIED?

"Twenty-three is the best age because you know the person FOREVER by then!"

Cam, age 10

"No age is good to get married at... You got to be a fool to get married!"

Freddie, age 6

HOW CAN A STRANGER TELL IF TWO PEOPLE ARE MARRIED?

"Married people usually look happy to talk to other people."

Eddie, age 6

"You might have to guess based on whether they seem to be yelling at the same kids."

Derrick, age 8

WHAT DO YOU THINK YOUR MOM AND DAD HAVE IN COMMON?

"Both don't want no more kids."

Lori, age 8

WHAT DO MOST PEOPLE DO ON A DATE?

"Dates are for having fun, and people should use them to get to know each other. Even boys have something to say if you listen long enough."

Lynnette, age 8

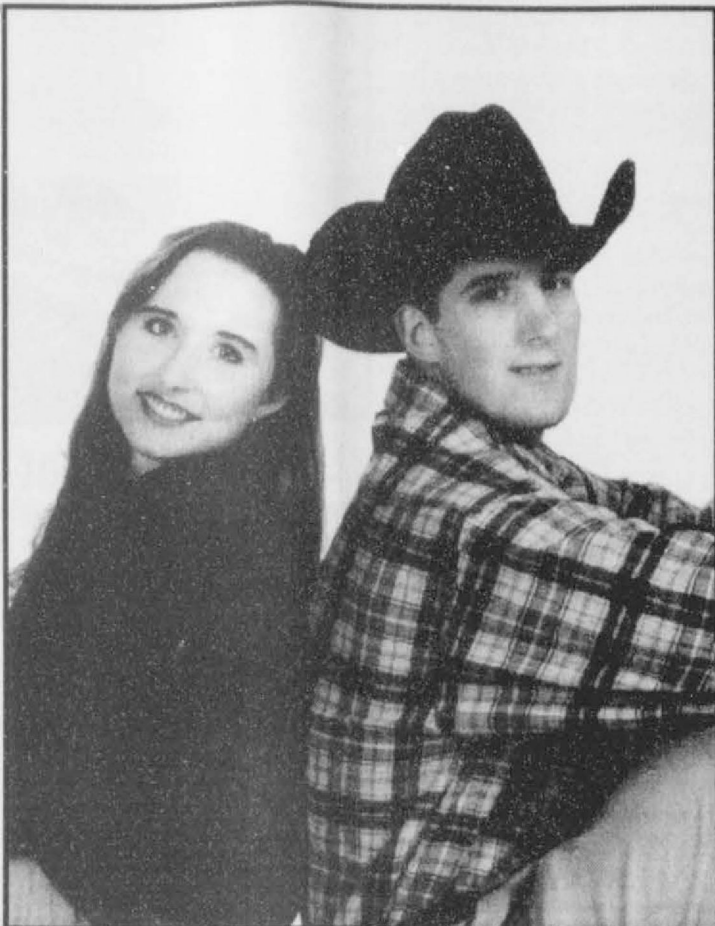
WHAT WOULD YOU DO ON A FIRST DATE THAT WAS TURNING SOUR?

"I'd run home and play dead. The next day I would call all the newspapers and make sure they wrote about me in all the dead columns."

Craig, age 9

(I actually tried this one time. It does not work.)

Until Next Time,
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Engagement Announcement

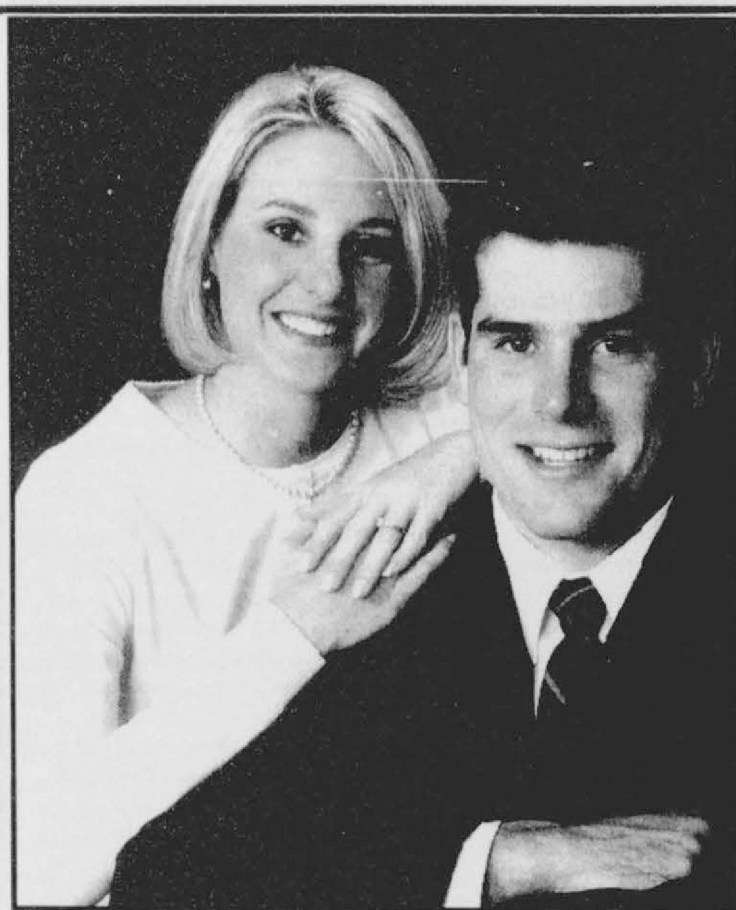
Mr. and Mrs. Keith Martin of Wellington, TX announce the engagement of their daughter, Traci Pat Martin of Canyon, TX, to Lee Roy Judd of Canyon, TX, son of Mr. and Mrs. Delton Judd of Nara Vista, NM. Traci is the granddaughter of Lee and Dorothy Robertson of Lakeview, TX and Wayne and Patsy Martin of Wellington, TX.

The wedding will take place in the brides family's back yard at 1611 Corsicana in Wellington, TX on June 12, 1999 at 1:00 p.m.

Traci is a student at West Texas A&M University, majoring in Kinesiology with a math minor in secondary education. In the fall of 1999 Traci will start her student teaching. After graduating her plans are to coach and teach math.

Lee is a student at West Texas A&M University. He is majoring in Ag Business and Economics. Lee will graduate in May 2000 with plans to managing a ranch.

The couple will reside in Canyon, TX.



Engagement Announcement

Ronnie and Donita Lusby of Spearman wish to announce the engagement of their daughter, Jill, to Ben Butler of Farnsworth. Ben is the son of Tom and Gayle Butler of Farnsworth.

Jill is a 1993 graduate of Spearman High School. She attended ENMU, and graduated from Oklahoma State University with an Elementary Education Degree. She is a member of Kappa Alpha Theta Sorority. She is a teacher/coach at Perryton I.S.D.

Ben will graduate in May from OSU with a degree in Construction Management. He is a member of Beta Theta Pi fraternity.

The couple plan a July 3, 1999 wedding at the First United Methodist Church in Spearman. They plan to reside in Perryton.

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HANSFORD HAPPENINGS

Miss Hansford Entry Forms Available

The Miss Hansford entry forms will be available during the month of April at Kid's Stuff, Lady Fair, Main Street Store in Gruver, and the Spearman Chamber of Commerce Office. Age divisions are: Little Miss - 4-6, Junior Miss - 7-9, Pre-Teen - 10-12, Miss Teen - 13-16, Miss Hansford - 17-21. Entry forms must be returned by 5:00 p.m. on April 30, 1999. For more information, please contact Cindy Avila 659-3830 after 5:00 p.m.

Project Graduation 1999

The parents of the Senior Class of 1999 will sponsor and host a "Project Graduation Party" following commencement services on Friday, May 21, 1999. To encourage the party-goers to stay the entire night, an auction is held just before breakfast is served. Prizes, gift certificates, and cash are needed for the auction. If you would like to help make this an event to remember with a special prize or donation, please call one of the following people for assistance: Steve and Mollie Holton at 659-3973, Jeff Beedy at 659-3847, or Margie Schoenhals at 659-3805. Thank you from the parents of the 1999 Seniors!

Spearman Lions Recycle For Sight

Now that Spring cleaning season is almost here, have you decided what to do with the old prescription eyeglasses and sunglasses that you have stashed away in your drawer? If you're not going to wear them, you could give the glasses to the Spearman Lions Club for their Lions Recycle For Sight program. The Spearman Lions are collecting unwanted eye wear for distribution to the poor in developing countries, where the people often cannot afford the eye care they need. For many of the world's poor, clear vision is merely a dream. But, your old glasses can help turn someone's dream into a reality. To donate your glasses, drop them off at the Hansford County Reporter-Statesman, 213 Main Street, Spearman, or call 659-3434.

Spearman Chamber of Commerce - "Vision 2020" Essay Contest

The Spearman Chamber of Commerce is sponsoring an essay contest. The deadline for entry will be 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, May 5, 1999 at the Spearman Chamber of Commerce, 211 N. Main St. This contest is open to everyone and will be divided into three age categories: Elementary, Junior High, and High School. Each winner will receive a prize of \$35.00 in Hansford Bucks (a certificate that can be spent in any store in Hansford County). The name of the contest is "Vision 2020." In your essay, please think about what you would like for Spearman to be like in the year 2020, and if you had the chance as a future community leader, what kinds of things would you do to make your visions a reality.

Senior Voice Recital

Everyone is cordially invited to attend a Senior Voice Recital performed by Landree Dawn Woodward on Sunday, May 2, 1999. It will begin at 2:00 p.m. in the afternoon at the First Baptist Church, 123 South Bernice, in Spearman.

Hospice Meeting

The next Hospice Meeting will be held on May 10, 1999 with Esther Quine giving a lesson on listening skills. The meeting will be held at Gruver State Bank at 7:00 p.m.

Lunch & Learn

"What's Old is New Again" will be the Lunch & Learn presentation by Tammy Mitchell, Continuing Education teacher from Borger, on Thursday, April 29, 1999 from 12:00-1:00 p.m., in the Fellowship Hall of Spearman Church of Christ. The program will feature painted floor clothes, painted furniture, and porch post candlesticks. Texas Agricultural Extension Service and Family and Community Education Clubs will sponsor the event. Donations for lunch will be accepted. Call Peggy Winegarner, County Extension Agent, at 659-4130 or 733-2901 for more information.

Celebrate Open House

Celebrate will host an open house featuring the award-winning Seraphim Classics Collection, on Saturday, May 1, 1999 from 9:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m. Only at this special event will collectors have the opportunity to purchase the fourth Limited Edition Seraphim Classics Event Angel Rebecca - Beautiful Dreamer, at Celebrate. For the fourth year, Roman and Seraphim Studios are dedicating the exclusive event angel to the good works and caring spirit of The Sunshine Foundation, a not-for-profit organization that grants wishes to critically and terminally ill children. Recognized as "The Original Dream Makers", The Sunshine Foundation was founded more than 30 years ago by Bill Sample, who remains at the helm of the organization.

District 4-H Fashion Show

The District 4-H Fashion Show will be held on Saturday, May 1, 1999 in Borger. Age divisions include Junior: 3rd grade through age 11; Intermediate: 12 & 13; Senior: 14-19. You may sew or buy an outfit for this contest. There are four construction and two buying categories in each division (4 buying senior). The Best Model from each age division will be selected during the public viewing. Please contact the Extension office by March 12th if you are interested in participating so our county project can be planned.

Musical Jamboree

Do you enjoy playing the guitar, fiddle or other instruments, or just enjoy listening to a good jam session? The Golden Spread Center, 502 S. Brandt, invites you to bring your instruments on the second Thursday, of each month, 1998, from 7:00-9:30 p.m. at the Golden Spread Center. If you don't play an instrument, please come to join a good jam session! For more information, call Sherry at 659-3866.

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has been experienced in the first week of balloting.

Baby Boy Arrives

Samuel Holt Ruhlman was born on March 16, 1999 at 9:16 p.m. at Presbyterian Hospital in Dallas. His parents are Brooke and Joe Ruhlman of Richardson. Grandparents are Nick and Trixie Holt of Gruver and Joan and Bill Ruhlman of Baton Rouge, LA. He is the couple's first child.

Get Well Wishes

Gruver graduate Kip Pittman, son of Frank and Lucy Pittman, will undergo surgery to remove a malignant carcinoma on Friday, April 30th at Lawrence Memorial Hospital in Lawrence, KS. Kip is now a teacher and the father of three children.

C.A. Davis had cataract removal on April 17 and is doing well.

Two young athletes, Taos Weldon and Garrett Pool, were unable to compete in the district track meet recently due to severe muscle injuries.

Sorority Session Planned

All senior girls and their mothers are invited to a mother/daughter session on Sunday, April 25, at 2 p.m., at 2812 Hughes, Amarillo. Information on registering for college sorority rush, what to expect from rush, and rush attire will be explained.

Volunteers Needed

The Panhandle Regional Planning Commission is seeking volunteers in Hansford County to help in the plotting and numbering of rural residences for 911 purposes. The aim of the program is to give each rural residence a number which will be plotted on emergency maps to aid 911 services in avoiding delays and mistakes in emergencies. Most of the state's rural residents have had emergency numbers for several years, and it is hoped that the

Panhandle will be numbered in the near future, although PRPC personnel would give no specific date for completion of the project. The PRPC is currently numbering Moore County and with Childress County next in line as the project moves closer to the Panhandle area.

If you can volunteer your services, contact Audra at 806-372-3381, and ask to be a volunteer for the Hansford county 911 addressing project.

Good Bye to a Good Friend

Cousins Store will close at the end of April. A closing business sale is now underway. Owner Carla Johnson is closing the business to be able to spend more time at home with her husband, Mike Johnson, and her children.

Cousins was opened in May of 1993 as a gift and card store by cousins Teresa Barkley and Carla Gumfory at the site of the Old Gruver Drug Store. The business moved to the Miller Electric building in July of 1995. Carla became sole owner of the store in the summer of 1996.

Speaking for many, I will miss Cousins. Besides providing cards and gifts for any occasion, Cousins supported school activities, promoted the PTA Christmas Angel project, supported the Reporter/Statesman in bringing Gruver news, and was always a friendly, fun place to shop and visit. And just as important, the store saved many a husband or sweetheart the wrath of a forgotten anniversary or birthday with a gift, card, or candy. Carla is in hopes a new owner will decide to continue the store.

Lost in Gruver

If you have seen 10 enamel coffee pots with bluebonnets on them, please contact Trixie Holt at 733-2139.

Busy Body (and Mind) Award

In a small school, students must wear many caps, even so, senior Charlie Stavlo may be the busiest person in GHS next week. Charlie qualified to compete in UIL Academic regionals with his number sense

team of Holly Hart, Dallas Henson, and Jason TeBeest this Friday and Saturday as well as individually in the math contest. He will also compete in an FFA contest this weekend. From there, he will compete in regional golf on the following Wednesday and Thursday and regional track on Friday and Saturday.

Several other students will be competing in dual contests. Lucas Johnson will compete the UIL academic regional meet and the regional track meet, Matt will compete in the regional track meet and the regional tennis meet, and Dallas Henson in UIL academic regional number sense and regional track.



Letting The Cat Out Of The Bag

Galen Coates saw this cat stuck on top of a house on Bernice Street with a bag on its head last Thursday afternoon. He reported it to the Spearman Police Department. Police Officer Paul Ortega called the Spearman Fire Department to bring a ladder to get the cat off the roof. John Kunselman responded and was able to remove the bag of vegetables from the cats head. (Photo submitted)

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Among The Neighbors

by Helen Fisher

Millard Tucker was speechless with surprise last Wednesday when he was honored with a party for his 80th birthday.

It was held at the Church of Christ after Bible study. His sister, Vi Hornsby, on a pretext of his accompanying her on an errand, took him where a group of friends awaited. After cards and gifts, a birthday cake and ice cream were served. For Millard, April 15th is not the day of dread. Many Happy Returns, Millard!

The many friends of Martin and Davonna Daharsh regret to learn that they are moving from Spearman to Hugoton, Kansas. Martin will be the manager of the Ulysses Feed Lots.

He has been employed by Frontier Feed yard near Hardesty since soon after their marriage. He grew up at Hugoton so it will not take much adjustment for him.

Davonna is a native of Gruver, the daughter of Bill and Dorothy Cator and granddaughter of Rosalie Cator. Maddie, their 4 year old daughter, is not concerned with the move much.

The Daharsh family speak with reluctance of leaving Spearman, Hansford County, and all their associates. Fortunately, the distance is not great and they will be keeping in close touch.

The neighbors wish them the best of luck in their new home, and feel that Hugoton's gain is Spearman's loss.

Seven pound Edward Benjamin Clark McIntyre arrived Monday, April 12, 1999 by way of Baptist St. Anthony's Hospital in Amarillo.

His parents are Beth and Edward McIntyre, and he has a brother, Skip, and sister, Brooke Lesly.

Grandparents are Patti and Bert Shepperd and Ben and Nancy McIntyre, all of Spearman.

Gloria and Don Knox spent several relaxing days last week touring central Texas viewing the spring blooming of the flowers. Their first sighting of the blue bonnets was at Anson, then other varieties began to appear as they drove. The moisture has been more than ample so there was great variety of color and species.

The weather was fine for them with just one heavy rain. They returned by Hart and joined in observance of son David's birthday.

Dwayne Smith's weather records show the following for the week of April 12th-19th: the highest temperature was on the 18th at 81 degrees; the lowest was on the 17th at 29; total moisture for the week was 3.50 inches. The year's total is 8.10 inches.

It seems the weather bureaucrat's forecast mistakes can't even match a broken clock - even that is right twice a day.

Is this in the realm of possibility - a military action ending with both sides claiming victory?

Clinton could claim a great victory by getting Slob Milosevic to sign the agreement that he would quit mistreating the Kosovo dissenters.

Slob claiming a great victory saying he has stopped all the dissenters which has been

his intention. (Dissenters all having been slaughtered or driven out, thereby silenced.)

Oh, well, better leave the foreign policy to the coffee drinkers. One thing for sure - April 15th will be coming every week for the American tax-payers. The cost is said to be forty million dollars per day, and then there will be the cost of resettling and providing for those pitiful, displaced Kosovians, plus rebuilding all that was destroyed in Yugoslavia, eventually.

Notes from the ill:
Rosa Lee Butt underwent surgery on Thursday morning at Baptist St. Anthony's in Amarillo. All went well and she is reported to be recovering. She is expected to be dismissed early this week and hopes to be in her home by the time this is published.

Robert Novak was air-lifted Wednesday, April 14th from Hansford Hospital to Baptist St. Anthony's with very acute and severe asthma. By Sunday friends report that he had been taken off the respirator, but was still in ICU. His prognosis has not been determined as some complications have developed.

James Lair is in Ochilree General Hospital in Perryton being treated for a blood clot in the lungs. He was admitted a week ago Wednesday. Report from friends on Sunday was that he is doing as well as can be expected.

Frank Buzzard was admitted to Ochilree General Hospital last Thursday with pneumonia. The last report was that he is recovering satisfactorily.

Late word from Columbine High School in Littleton, Colorado, where former Spearman resident Cathy Crawford Herring and her husband teach, is that both are safe.

Cathy was at home for lunch when her husband called her to tell her not to come back to school. He was caught in the crossfire, but managed to hide and call his wife.

Cathy's aunt, Maxine Banister, was talking to her on the telephone while both watched the events on the television, when they saw Cathy's husband as he was being rescued.

Big Egg Hunt Held

submitted

Sunday, April 4, 1999, was the day of the Big Egg Hunt sponsored by the First Assembly of God Kid's Church and area merchants. The event took place at Rocket Slide Park. Prior to the program, face painting was done by Audra Thomas, Phyllis Cummings, Mandy Thomas, and Denise McElroy. Children could also obtain a balloon from several clowns around the area, which were Kathy Russell, Gail Vanlandingham, Gary Thomas and Leo McElroy.

Pastor Greaser opened the event by welcoming all who came out and turned the service over to David Pearson. David introduced the Kid's church choir who sang "I'm Going to Lift Your Name" and "Power." There was a puppet skit performed by the KT Kid's Church and KC Rejoice. The point of their message was to make others welcome. There was also a special song titled "Bones," sung by Jenna McElroy, Melody Mauk, Cristy Lang, and Timber Thomas.

David Pearson presented the illustrated sermon of Easter. Acting out the parts were, Misty Brown as Mary, Richard Goehring as Joseph and Logan Sprague as young Jesus. Ed Pearson performed as adult Jesus, Pastor Walter Greaser was Pilate, Kenton Johnson portrayed Judas, Soldiers were Jeremy Thomas and Johnny Ring. Joseph of Arimethia was Jimmy Vanlandingham. Crowds of people were portrayed by

members of First Assembly of God.

After the sermon, approximately 300 children were divided into appropriated age groups for the long awaited egg hunt.

Winners of the Grand Prize bicycles were: Kelsey Rex, Steven Vaquera, Avacely Ginez, Whitney Maestas, and Joshua Briseno.

Other prizes given away were Easter baskets, Roller Blades, Ertle banks and several stuffed animals. We would like to congratulate all the winners.

The First Assembly of God Kid's Church would like to thank all the merchants who donated money and prizes to help in this event. They are as follows: Hansford Implement, Pizza Hut, Dairy Queen, Debbie's Ready or Not, C.O.'s Supply, First National Bank, J&M Service Center, A-1 Plumbing, Cates Men & Boys Wear, Interstate Bank, sb, Brock Insurance, Farber Livestock, First State Bank, H&H Water Well, Berry Cleaners, John L. Hutchison, Atty, Gordon's Drug, Dr. & Mrs. Earl Novak, Hansford County Reporter-Statesman, Corner Service Station, Five Star Equipment, Cargill, KRDF-FM, Ivey's Hungry Cowboy, Jarvis Law Office, Video Garden, Hansford Agency, Mark Sheets Truck Repair, Carl M. Archer, Clark Aerial Spraying, Picnic Place, Safety Glass, Deakin Electric, Hi-Plains Auto, Celebrate, Equity, Alco, and Hickerson Jewelry. If we have overlooked anyone who donated for this cause, we apologize.

City Secretary Attends Seminar

Cheryl Gibson-Salgado, City Secretary, City of Spearman, attended the Municipal Finance Seminar held in Denton. The Texas Municipal Clerks Certification Program located at the University of North Texas, Denton, sponsored the seminar.

The two-day workshop featured extensive, in-depth training on the procedures for financing capital improvements and debt creation and administration for Texas municipalities. Monty Nicholas, executive director, First Southwest Company, Austin, TX, served as the consultant and coordinator for the educational program. Instructors included: Garry Kimball, Dan Wegmiller, Vince Vialle, and Linda Callaway, all from First Southwest Company, Austin, and Robert Dransfield, attorney, Fulbright and Jaworski, L.L.P., Dallas, TX.

Spearman's City Secretary Cheryl Gibson-Salgado is enrolled in TMCCP's

educational and professional development program for municipal clerks. Attendance at this workshop fulfills part of the requirements for the Texas Registered Municipal Clerk's Certification. Cheryl is a member of the Texas Municipal Clerks Association, Inc., a statewide, professional organization of approximately 743 city secretaries and municipal clerks.

Out At The Lake



The first boat launched from the south boat ramp at Lake Palo Duro.

by Dorothy Hudson

Lake Depth--April 19, 1999--55 feet

Yes, that is a new high for the Lake. Actually, it reached 55 ft. and 2 in., but by this Monday morning it had fallen back 2 in. Since the depth last Monday was 39 ft. and 7 in., we can see that the rains of last week raised the level almost 15.5 ft. Our previous high was 52 ft. and 9 in.

I think the Lake is considered full when water begins running in the morning glory at 77 ft. In acre feet of water in the Lake, we are a little over 1/3 full. If we had so much rain that the morning glory could not handle the water, it would go into the emergency spillway at 94 ft.

We drove out yesterday to look, as many others have done. Since we did not want to make the grand tour of both sides, we finally chose the office side. The parking lot at the south boat ramp had 7 vehicles pulling boat trailers. Some were for fishermen and some were for people just wanting to get out on the water. There was not enough water to float the boat dock, but it is nice that both major boat ramps can now be used.

We will have to wait and see if the new Lake level will kill all those beautiful cottonwoods on the Gibner side. Jim said he

was seeing more of the cormorants and the herons nesting over there. The flock of ring-billed gulls has risen to about 50, but we did not find them yesterday.

Remember that the Palo Duro forks north of Morse on Jack Hart's ranch. The south fork is the one that carried the most of the water from the 6 in. rains near Sunray. Horse Creek was out of its banks, too, but I don't think the north fork carried that much water.

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The Gruver Grapevine

by Harletta Carthel

The GHS Boys Track team continued their winning ways by winning the area track meet at Randall High School on Friday. The Gruver thinclads scored 100 points to beat out 2nd place Wheeler with 84 points. Athletes from district 3 and 4 competed in the meet with athletes from 17 schools represented.

First through fourth placing athletes will advance to the regional meet which is scheduled for April 30 through May 1 at Levelland. The advancing athletes will compete in a regional qualifiers meet at Tascosa High School on Friday, April 23, beginning at 9 a.m.

Results of the running events were as follows:

400 Meter Relay: (Aaron Weller, Jared Christian, Daniel Hernandez, and Dallas Henson) - 2nd*; 800 Meter Run: Wes Miser - 4th*, Kyler Barkley - 5th; 100 Meter Dash: Jared Christian - 2nd*; 400 Meter Dash: Jason Pool - 4th*; 300 Meter Hurdles: Lucas Johnson - 2nd*; 200 Meter Dash: Jared Christian - 3rd*; 1600 Meter Run: Charlie Stavlo - 4th*; and 1600 Meter Relay: (Dallas Henson, Kyler Barkley, Wes Miser, and Bradley Duncan) - 3rd*.

Results of the field events were as follows:

Pole Vault: Charlie Stavlo - 5th; High Jump: Jason Shoulders - 1st (6' 4")*; Shot Put: Jim Potts - 5th; Discus: Bray Armes - 2nd*; Triple Jump: Matt Watlington - 2nd*.

The GHS Lady Hounds team finished in third place with 56 points behind Shamrock with 106 points and Groom with 74 points.

Results of the running events were as follows:

400 Meter Relay: (Sabrina Cookenour, Miranda Thoreson, Tessa Yanke, and Sammie Stavlo) - 1st (52.78)*; 400 Meter Dash: Miranda Thoreson - 4th*; Jenna Shoulders - 5th; 300 Meter Hurdles: Sabrina Cookenour - 6th; 200 Meter Dash: Sammie Stavlo - 1st (28.00)*; and 1600 Meter Relay: (Miranda Thoreson, Jenna Shoulders, Katie Grotogut, and Sabrina Cookenour) - 2nd*.

In the field events, Sammie Stavlo placed 5th, and Randi Atwood, 6th in the Long

Jump. (* denotes Regional qualifiers.)

Golfer Advances To Regionals

GHS golfer Charlie Stavlo will advance to area competition by virtue of his medalist placing in district competition. The GHS boys team narrowly missed advancing to area competition. The team finished in third place, just 15 strokes over second-place Wheeler. Both Wheeler and first-place Shamrock will compete at area.

Individuals and their first and second round scores were as follows: Charlie Stavlo - 81, 80; Denk Grotogut - 83, 87; Dallas Henson 81, 92; Dan Odum - 100, 103; and Chad Clift - 102, 114.

Individual scoring of the Gruver "B" team which placed tenth was: Brian Goad 101, 100; Brady Hart - 110, 121; Brandon Jones 123, 138; Evan Schmidt - 122, 114; and Dustin Red 129, 127.

Individual first and second round scoring of the girls team which placed sixth was as follows: Kelley Ogilvie 99, 100; Jessica Moore 114, 105; Dayla Simon - 111, 113; Brooke Beville - 121, 128; and Shea Lowe 130, 139.

Scoring for the "B" team was: Lindey Tolleson - 109, 111; Kayce Howe 133, 114; Sarah Moore 119, 129; LeAnn Earle 120, 136; and Beth Yanke 122, 137.

Watlington Advances to Tennis Regionals

Senior tennis ace Matt Watlington took first place in boys singles competition to advance to the regional tournament April 27 and 28 at Levelland.

Watlington, who drew a bye in the first round, beat Vance Chandler of Valley 6-0, 6-0. In his second match, Watlington, down 6-2, 4-0, came back to win the second set 7-6 in a tie-breaker and then went on to win the third set 6-4 over Matthew Urrutia of Memphis. In finals competition, Watlington defeated Craig Bass of Wheeler, 6-1, 6-1.

In other varsity singles action, Kade Carthel fell to Chris Murry of Kress, 6-1, 6-4.

In boys doubles, the team of Dan Odum

and Anthony Villalobos bettered Burke/Murrell of Kress 6-0, 6-0, before losing to Torres/Muldonado of Memphis 7-5, 6-4.

In varsity girls doubles, the duo of Nikki Stewart and Janie May was defeated by Frame/Longhfer of Booker 6-3, 6-1. The team of Annie Mayhew and Krystle Deeds won in split sets over Douglas/Simpson of Booker, 6-3, 3-6, 6-3 before falling to Schmucker/Schmucker of Nazareth, 6-3, 6-3.

In the junior varsity division, Becky Cassidy placed 3rd, Richard Stewart - 2nd, the team of Hugo Hernandez and Jr. Banderera - 2nd and Manuel Luciano - 3rd.

TAAS Testing Scheduled

TAAS (Texas Assessment of Academic Skills) testing is scheduled for April 27th-30th. Tests dates include: April 27th - math testing for grades 3-8, April 28th - reading tests for grades 3-8, April 29th - social study testing for grade 8, April 30th - science testing for grade 8. Senior students who have not passed all portions of TAAS may retest on April 27-29.

City Commission Meets

The Gruver City Commission met in regular session on April 12. All members were present as well as visitor Ed Barrett of the Panhandle Regional Planning Commission. The group approved minutes of the last meeting, the paying of March bills, and the canceling of the May 1, 1999 election. The commission also passed a resolution to apply for a community development block grant. No action was taken on selling lots 1 and 2 of Block 21, original township.

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honored with a banquet on Tuesday, April 27, at 7 p.m. at the Gruver Church of Christ.

Davis Dominates Dimmitt Show

Gerry Davis' "Rising Star" quilt won first place, the silver dollar, and the viewer's choice awards at the Ogallala Quilt Festival of Dimmitt on April 16 and 17. The prize-winning quilt is from an original quilt pattern first made in 1835. Limited reproduction fabrics were used in the quilt that is from the collection of Staten Island Historical Society of New York.

Volunteers Honored

In recognition of national Volunteer Week (April 18-24), the Gruver Elementary Staff wishes to recognize and thank all PALS and VIPS that volunteer in our school. Their gift of time enhances the education of our children, and we are all indebted to them. These special people are: Shawn Thompson, Jo Alice Clawson, Melba Rasor, Jackie Wilson, Pat Irwin, Mary Vela, Julie Stedje, Sharon Barkley, B.J. Renner, Janice Adams, Jenny Abemathy, Lou Garrett, Bill Hadley, Charlotte Bergin, Julie Stedje, Rita Williams, Sue Shield, Bob Adams, Lucy Pessa, Weldon Green Lisa King, and Elmo McClellan.

Greyhound Mothers to Meet

Greyhound Mothers will be meeting on Tuesday, April 27, at 5:30 p.m. in the high school library to elect officers for the 1999-2000 school year, finalized plans for the May athletic banquet, and welcome incoming freshman mothers.

Teachers to be Treated

The Gruver classroom teachers will be

School Activities Slated

Thursday, April 22 - Grade 6-8 Gifted and Talented Trip
State Land Judging Contest
FHA State Convention (runs through April 24)
Friday, April 23 - Regional Track Qualifiers Meet at Tascosa High (runs through April 24)
Monday, April 26 - Seventh grade pizza party (given by National Leukemia Foundation in appreciation of funds raised)
Elementary Dress Cool Day
Regional Tennis Tournament (Runs through April 27)
Tuesday, April 27 - TAAS Tests
Elementary Dress-Up Day
Teacher Appreciation Banquet
Wednesday, April 28 - TAAS Tests
Regional Golf (runs through April 29)
Thursday, April 29 - TAAS Tests
Elementary Dress-Up Day
4th Grade Field Trip
Friday, April 30 - Regional Track Meet (runs through May 1)
Sixth grade trip to Mt. Capulin
Band trip to Arlington (runs through May 2)
May 1 - School board election

Early Balloting Underway

Early balloting for the school board election is now underway and will continue through Tuesday, April 27 in the school business office. A moderately heavy turnout

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Hawkins/McCarley Wed

Jana Jo Hawkins and Michael Keith McCarley, both of Amarillo, were married Saturday afternoon at First Baptist Church in Spearman. The Rev. Rick Bloodworth of Happy officiated.

The bride is the daughter of Jo Ann and Jeff Hawkins of Spearman.

Grandparents of the bride are the late E.N. Wilbanks and Penny Hawkins.

Parents of the groom are Tanya and Neil McCarley of Happy. Grand-parents of the groom are Johnnie McCarley and Margaret Murdock, both of whom attended the wedding. He is also the grandson of the late Buck McCarley and the late Al Murdock.

Honor attendant was Vicki Crawford, sister of the bride. Bridal attendants were Jami Matze and Karen Williams, both of Amarillo, Billie Jo Pierson of Farwell and Connie Red of Fort Cobb, Okla.

Best man was the father of the groom. Groom's attendants were Todd McCarley, brother of the groom, and Billy Parker, both of Amarillo, and Cory McCarley and Chad McCarley, brothers of the groom, both of Happy.

The wedding reception was at the O'Loughlin Center in Spearman. Reception attendants were Hayli Crawford, Mandi Crawford, Melissa Sutterfield and Melodie Kelp.

The couple will be at home in Amarillo.



Jana Jo McCarley

by Gyene Spivey

The Timeless Treasures Quilt Guild will conduct their second quarterly meeting for the year 1999. It will be held on Saturday, April 24th, at the Family Enrichment Center at 6th and Quinn in Guymon, OK. Registration will begin at 9:30 a.m., and the meeting will begin promptly at 10:00 a.m.

The April program will be two very talented ladies from Enid, OK, Terri Gose and

B.J. Morgan. There will be a trunk showing in the morning and classes will begin at 1:00 p.m. Please contact Darlene Hambleton at (580) 338-3880 to enroll in the classes as soon possible or mail your fee to Cheryl Ashpaugh, 1608 N. Ellison, Guymon, OK.

Terri Gose is an Oklahoma native who started her quilting career at the prompting of a friend. Sometime early on she became very

interested in applique quilts. She got her hands on anything she could about applique and went about teaching herself. She has won numerous awards around the state for her work. In 1996, another part was added to her career, that of quilt designer. She presently has three patterns published and new ones on the drawing board. Her classes are "Here Comes Frosty" and "Antique Angels." Each class will be \$25.00 plus \$10.00 for a pattern.

B.J. Morgan began quilting in 1992. She is a native of Enid, OK. She has taught numerous classes but the "Garden Twist" is still her favorite. She loves teaching the tricks that take the guesswork out of bias binding. In her class, the components piece quickly and easily to create this beautiful lattice quilt.

Class fee is \$25.00. Kits are available or you may bring your own fabric. Pre-registration and payment is required as a courtesy to the instructors. A supply list will be sent to you as soon as payment is received. Sign up soon as class space is limited.

There were 24 door prize winners so the "winners" need to bring the door prizes for the next meeting. If you wish to participate in the block of the quarter and to not have a pattern, contact President Mary Anne Mayer at (580) 338-5123. A salad and sandwich luncheon is scheduled. Please bring a small cold salad or sandwiches to share. Drinks, plates and napkins are provided. This promises to be an exciting quilt technique learning day. Please plan to come and join us.

Walk Across Texas

The "Sassy Sixties" team has taken the lead in the 800-mile trek across Texas from Hansford county to South Padre Island, according to Peggy Winegarner, Hansford County Extension Agent. "They have logged a remarkable total of 468.40 miles in the first two weeks!" says Winegarner.

Team members include Wanda & Joe Archer, Reba & Theodore Bengé, Anita Clemmons, Jackie Graham, Charlsie Baker, and Claudine Laxton.

Of the 21 teams registered, 10 teams have covered over 200 miles. In addition to the 'Sassy Sixties', teams making fast tracks include the 'Fast Steppin Bankers' (247.4), 'Mileage Makers' (236.25), 'Eight is Enough' (230), 'Kate's Kilometer Kids' (222.44), 'FNB Lien Walkers' (221.72), 'the Sharks' (217.75), 'the Kickers' (216), 'Classic Eight' (211), and 'Panhandle Pacers' (203.5).

The average person walks more than 115,000 miles in a lifetime. "The 'Walk

Across Texas' program is one way to make those miles walked a lot more fun," says Winegarner.

Eight out of ten Americans will suffer a foot problem at some point in their lives, often brought on by improper shoe selection. Try shoes on at the end of the day or workout. Check for adequate room in the ball of the foot, and snug heel fit. Walking shoes need extra shock absorption in the heel of the shoe to help prevent heel pain.

Tips for making the most of your walking routine: Exert Yourself—you should be able to talk without panting, but you should not be able to sing during a pep walk. Vary Your Walks—one day go for the longest time possible. The next time go for the fastest speed you can achieve.

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Gladiola Flower Club News

by Denise Carter

The Gladiola Flower Club met on Thursday, April 15, 1999 in the home of Wanda Brown.

Peggy Winegarner gave the program on "Taking Care of Yourself."

We appreciated the Hansford County Reporter-Statesman for printing the article about the 50 years of the club's existence.

Present were Wanda Brown, Kathleen Sutton, Charlsie Baker, Lorene Kunselman, Verna Brown, Dorothy Buzzard, Virginia Trindle, Denise Carter, Eloise Renner, Virginia Head, Margarette Evans, Rose Cummins and June Jackson.

The next meeting will be held on May 5, 1999 in the home of Dorothy Buzzard.

It's A Boy

Pat and Carrie Shields announce the birth of their son, Colton Patrick Shields. He arrived on March 22, 1999 in Bryan, TX. He weighed 8 pounds, 4 ounces and was 21 1/4 inches long.

Proud grandparents are Gary and Sharon Matzner of Burleson, TX and Lonnie and LeAnn Shields of Spearman.

Great-grandparents are Faye Matzner of Ft. Worth, Leland and Pat Reeves of Willow, OK and Bess Taylor of Spearman.

Proud uncles are Joel, Tobe and Bob Shields of Spearman. Equally proud aunts are Haley, J.J., Ruth, Melody, Kyna and Kali Shields, all of Spearman, and Resa Shields of Guymon, OK.

Colton is also welcomed by one-month-old cousin Brantly Shields, daughter of Joel and Haley Shields of Spearman.

It's A Girl!

Jimmy and Shanna Kenney are proud to announce the birth of their daughter, Halston Milee Kenney. She was born on April 9, 1999 at Columbia Medical Center in Pampa, TX. She weighed 8 pounds, 4.6 ounces and was 21 1/2 inches long.

Proud grandparents are Billy and Cynthia DeArmond and DeAnna Kelley, all of Spearman.

Great-grandparents are Myrtle DeArmond of Spearman, Jack and Rosa Lee Hendrix of Hardesty, OK and Bernice Goodrich of Gruver, TX.

Halston is welcomed home by two-year-old brother, Hunter.

It's A Boy!

Shawn and Traci Cook, along with Brayden, all of Garland, TX, are proud to announce the arrival of a new boy in the family. Conner Cook arrived April 14, 1999, tipping the scales at 6 pounds, 1 ounce and measuring 18 1/2 inches long. Welcoming the new arrival are grandparents Lynn and Sharon Cook of Spearman.

It's A Girl!

Maggie and Aaron Perkins of Amarillo wish to announce the birth of their daughter, Maitlyn Denise Perkins. Maitlyn was born on Saturday, April 17, 1999. She weighed 6 pounds, 11 ounces and was 20 3/4 inches long.

Elated grandparents are Dan and Denise Carter of Spearman and Cathy Farmer and Weldon Perkins.

Spearman Chamber News

submitted by Gina Gillispie

On Thursday, April 8, 1999, the Spearman Chamber of Commerce held a regular meeting at the Palo Duro Cafe.

Members present were Bruce Stinson, Carolyn McLeod, Jan Williamson, Jim Younger, Davonna Daharsh, Tami Kunselman, Dr. Scot Martin, Worth Whitworth, Eulalia Blankenship, Kim Brock, and Gina Gillispie. Absent was Tindle Ramon.

The Chamber Business Spotlight was Interstate Bank, sbb. Interstate Bank will be the first business spotlight to be featured on the new internet page.

Gina reported that the Secretary's Day Luncheon will be held on Wednesday, April 21st at the First Christian Church. Tickets will be \$6.00 each and the menu will include grilled hamburgers, potato salad, beans, drinks, and dessert. Entertainment will be the slave auction of local bosses. The chamber board will host and serve. Gina asked

everyone to please bring a dessert. Proceeds from this will go to pay for the new computer for the chamber office.

Davonna reported that the Women's Division of the Spearman Chamber of Commerce (WDSCC) had been meeting for the Miss Hansford Scholarship pageant to be held on June 3rd at 7:00 p.m. at the Spearman High School Auditorium with the theme being "Endless Summer."

Eulalia reported that the Retail Merchants would help the Spearman Post Office on Wednesday, March 26th in the promotion of the 1950 Series Stamp Cancellation. The Retail Merchants will participate by dressing in 50's-style and selling coke floats.

Bob Janitz updated the board on the progress of the new web pages. It should be up and running by the end of the week at spearman.org.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

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Hansford County Community Calendar

April 22- May 4

Thursday, April 22
10:00 a.m. - Golden Spread Senior Citizens - Arts & Crafts/Covered Dish Lunch

Friday, April 23
9:30 a.m. - Golden Spread Senior Citizens - Exercise

Saturday, April 24
9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. - First National Bank's Open House
9:00 a.m. - Timeless Treasures Quilt Guild Meets - Guymon, OK

Sunday, April 25
3:00 p.m. - Hansford Manor Church Service - Trinity Fellowship Church, Spearman

Monday, April 26
9:30 a.m. - Golden Spread Senior Citizens - Exercise
12:00 p.m. - Spearman Rotary Club Meets - Ivey's Hungry Cowboy
2:00 p.m. - Games and Crafts at Hansford Manor
2:00 p.m. - Historical Commission Meets - Ft. Zulu Museum

Tuesday, April 27
12:00 p.m. - Spearman Lions Club Meets - Ivey's Hungry Cowboy
2:00 p.m. - Palo Duro River Authority Board Meets
6:00 p.m. - Tuesday Night Golf Scrambles - Hansford Golf Club
6:30 p.m. - Bingo at Hansford Manor
6:30 p.m. - Golden Spread Senior Citizens - Covered Dish Dinner & Games

Wednesday, April 28
6:30 a.m. - Mug 'n' Muffin Women's Fellowship - First Christian Church, Spearman
9:30 a.m. - Golden Spread Senior Citizens - Exercise
9:45 a.m. - Trinity Fellowship Bethesda Outreach Center Food Service
1:00-4:00 p.m. - Golden Spread Senior Citizens - "42"

Thursday, April 29
10:00 a.m. - Golden Spread Senior Citizens - Arts & Crafts/Covered Dish Lunch
12:00 p.m. - Lunch & Learn - "What's Old is New Again" - Spearman Church of Christ Fellowship Hall
7:00 p.m. - Musical Jamboree at the Golden Spread Center, Spearman

Friday, April 30
9:30 a.m. - Golden Spread Senior Citizens - Exercise
10:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m. - Cousin's Final Day of Business - Gruver
12:00 p.m. - Spearman Lions Club's FREE Hot Dog Lunch - Courthouse Lawn
5:00 p.m. - Entry Deadline for Miss Hansford Pageant

Saturday, May 1
District 4-H Fashion Show
9:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m. - Celebrate's Open House - Spearman
4:00-6:00 p.m. - Soccer Exhibition Game - Spearman HS Football Field

Sunday, May 2
3:00 p.m. - Hansford Manor Church Service - Fellowship Baptist, Spearman
2:00 p.m. - Senior Voice Recital for Landree Woodward - Spearman First Baptist Church

Monday, May 3
8:30 a.m. - Moms In Touch - Gruver Methodist Fellowship Hall
9:30 a.m. - Golden Spread Senior Citizens - Exercise
10:00 a.m. - Hansford County Commissioners Court Meets
12:00 p.m. - Spearman Rotary Club Meets - Ivey's Hungry Cowboy
2:00 p.m. - Games and Crafts at Hansford Manor
2:00 p.m. - Ft. Zulu Museum Board Meets, Ft. Zulu Museum

Tuesday, May 4
12:00 p.m. - Spearman Lions Club Meets - Ivey's Hungry Cowboy
2:00-4:00 p.m. - Hearing Aid Checkup at Golden Spread Senior Citizens Center
4:00 p.m. - Genealogy Club Meets - Hansford County Library
6:00 p.m. - Tuesday Night Golf Scrambles - Hansford Golf Club
6:30 p.m. - Bingo at Hansford Manor
6:30 p.m. - Golden Spread Senior Citizens - Covered Dish Dinner & Games

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1999 School Board Candidates

Early voting for the upcoming School Board elections began April 14, 1999 and will end on April 27, 1999. The general election will be held on Saturday, May 1, 1999.

Nine persons have filed for two seats, each of three years duration at Gruver I.S.D. The seats currently held by Kevin Holt and Corky Chapman will be decided in the election. Those filing for positions are Bill Kelly, Jr., Bill Hadley, Dwayne Thompson, Jody Irwin, Corky Chapman, Ty Williams, Debbie Chisum, Terry Sherrill, and Danny Shults.

Pringle-Morse CISD has not scheduled an election of trustees since only three persons have filed for three school board positions each for three-year terms. Incumbents Lonnie Clemmons and Alan Leach and newcomer Monty Dixon will fill the positions.

Spearman ISD lists five applicants filing for two vacancies each of three-year duration. The seats of school board members Andy Scarborough and Robbie Dewberry will be decided in the election. Filing for these seats are incumbent Andy Scarborough, Jon Garnett, Mark Allen, Carol Dunning, and Glen Ray Mackie.

Editor's Note: The Hansford County Reporter-Statesman mailed questionnaires to the school board candidates for Spearman I.S.D. and Gruver I.S.D. We will be printing the Gruver candidate responses to the questionnaires in the next two issues.

Leon O. "Corky" Chapman

Family Members: Wife - Lou
Occupation: owner - Gruver Insurance Agency
What organization/club are you a member of? Gruver Lions Club, Gruver Masonic Lodge, Scottish Rite, Kiva Shain
Church affiliation: Methodist
Background/Education: Borger High School, West Texas State graduate
Hobbies/Interests: woodworking, refinishing furniture
What do you think are the biggest problems facing the school district? money
What changes or improvements would you seek as a school board member? wouldn't change - keep school - we have one of the best schools in the state
What do you view as the role of a school board member? see that our children get a good education
What special qualities or qualifications do you possess which would make you an efficient school board member? I coached at Gruver for 12 years. I have a great interest in our community and our school. My interest is only for the school, not some special thing some one wants.

Debbie Chisum

Family Members: Mother - Reta Gross; Sisters - Jan Huffman and Teresa Chisum, both of Arlington, TX
What organizations/clubs are you a member of?
Church affiliation: First Baptist of Gruver
Background/Education: Raised in Gruver - graduated in 1970 from Gruver High, Texas Tech w/Bachelor of Science '74, Taught and coached in the public schools for 9 years in Health, History and girls athletics.
Hobbies/Interests: Have worked with the youth in Little Dribblers and in church activities
What do you think the biggest problems are facing the school district? Money is probably the biggest problem since there are not as much funding as there has been in the past.
What changes or improvements would you seek as a school board member? To improve our school system we need to look at making sure our school is equipped with computers and the availability to teachers and students.
What do you view as the role of a school board member? The role of a school board member is to be a listener to all and be active. Know what is going on in the school by presenting yourself in the halls, classrooms, teachers, administration, parents, and students. Keep open communication and be willing to listen and visit. Keep open communication and be willing to listen and visit.
What special qualities or qualifications do you possess which would make you an efficient school board member? I feel after being in the profession and in the public school system helps me to have students in our best interest. I have always had an interest in youth, and I want to see our students go out with the best possible education they can have. Academics is of the highest concern and our youth is our future and they have to be equipped to handle what challenges them after their high school years.

Bill Kelly, Jr.

Family Members: single
Occupation: part owner of G&G Foodliner
Church affiliation: Church of Christ
Background/Education: Bachelor of Arts in Government with a minor in Economics from the University of Texas at Austin
Hobbies/Interests: Watching sports, spending time with my girlfriend and her daughter

What do you think the biggest problems are facing the school district? The biggest challenge facing the school district is making sure that our kids receive an education that will enable them and this community to thrive and prosper as we enter the 21st Century. Being a small town, we have limited resources, and it's up to the school board to work with the new superintendent and the staff to put these resources to the best possible use. Another challenge facing the school district is the addition of two new principals. It will be up to Mrs. Blessingame and the school board to hire two people who can work effectively with the teachers and parents to keep our schools running as well as they have been, and who can identify areas that need improvement and come up with these improvements.

What changes or improvements would you seek as a school board member? I think that Gruver has an excellent school system and I don't think any major changes are needed right now. However, there is always room for improvement, and I would work with the administration and teachers to come up with changes and improvements as the need for them is identified. In particular, I would like to see our kids have as much access, and interaction with, computer as possible.

What do you view as the role of a school board member? The school board's role is to set policy, to determine the direction the district takes and to establish priorities for the district. The individual member's role is to work with the other members, administration, staff, and community in determining what direction the district takes and how to best spend the district's tax dollars. Ultimately, each individual member must vote in the way he or she feels is best for the district.

What special qualities or qualifications do you possess which would make you an efficient school board member? I was a member of the Hansford County Hospital District Board of Directors from September 1998-March 1999, filling an unexpired term. Being on that board has given me some experience with the type of budget matters and personnel matters that affect government entities like the school district. I was also a member of the Junior High Campus Improvement Team in 1996-1997 and have been a member of the District Education Improvement Council the past two years.

Comments: I turned down being reappointed to the hospital board in order to run for school board. The reason I did so is that I feel that in a city the size of Gruver and a county the size of Hansford County, the school board is the most important government body there is. Children are the future, and making sure they get the best education possible is as important a job as I can think of.

I will try to be as accessible to the public as possible as both a candidate, and if elected, school board member. I invite anyone to discuss concerns they have about the school district by coming to G&G to talk to me or by calling me at 662-2428.

Bill Hadley

Family Members: wife- Martha Jo; Grandchildren - Amanda and Cory Schneider (living at home); two sons, one daughter, one stepson, and one step-daughter
Occupation: returned - Phillips Petroleum Company
What organizations/clubs are you a member of? Assistant Director Gruver Boys Club, Gruver Chamber of Commerce - Past Member Executive Board
Church affiliation: Member First Baptist Church of Gruver
Background/Education: Graduate - Borger High School, one year at Texas A&M; 4 years U.S. Navy
Hobbies/Interests: watching all sports; fishing and golf; making small craft items from wood
What do you think the biggest problems are facing the school district? finances
What changes or improvements would you seek as a school board member? Teacher salaries; improved facilities; open communications with people in school district; transportation
What do you view as the role of a school board member? Oversee operation of school system; continually review and update policies and procedure; be an encouragement and support for school administrators and teachers.
What special qualities or qualifications do you possess which would make you an efficient school board member? Worked 35 years for oil and gas producing company. 25 years of which were supervising the operation of a production area. Responsible for setting budgets; supervising employees; recommended and purchased equipment and material necessary to operate.
Comments: I believe the Gruver School system is an excellent educational facility. I've lived in the school district for 28 years. I've had two sons, a daughter, and stepson attend and graduate from Gruver High School. Grandchildren, Amanda Schneider (Junior), and Cory Schneider (Sophomore) now attending GHS. I now drive a bus for Gruver schools, and have been very pleased with the way the school system has been operated. I do not have an axe to grind with anyone or anything in the school. I love being involved with the activities of the school and want to be more closely involved in the future.

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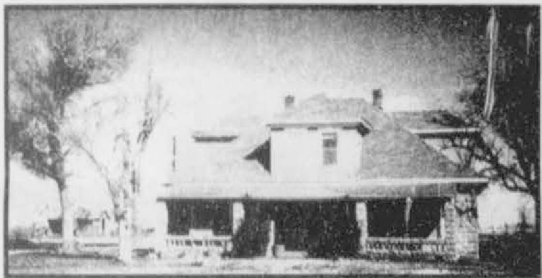
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Date: May 12, 1999
Time: 9:00 a.m.
Place: City Council Chamber, 30 SW Court, Spearman, TX

Purpose: To consider in public hearing a rezoning request of the property listed below plus one-half of all bounding streets, alleys and public ways.

Property: 150'x375' portion of the SW/4 of OL 4, City of Spearman, Hansford County, Texas, being addressed as 602 East D Ave.

Rezoning: From General Agricultural to Automotive Commercial and Commercial Recreational District.

If the Planning and Zoning Commission favorably considers the request the City Council will hold a public hearing to consider the proposed rezoning as follows:

Date: May 18, 1999
Time: 7:30 p.m.
Place: City Council Chambers, 30 S.W. Court, Spearman, TX

For additional information call 659-2524.

/s/ Cheryl Gibson-Salgado
City Secretary

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING PLANNING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT OF THE CITY OF GRUVER

The Planning Board of Adjustment of the City of Gruver will hold a Public Meeting to discuss a Zoning Variance.

The Zoning Variance applies to property located in Block 4, lots 30 thru 34, Original Town of Gruver, 808 Front St. The applicants wish to place a double wide manufactured home and two horses on these lots. The property is zoned RG General Residential.

The Public Meeting will be held on May 11, 1999, at 5:00 p.m. at the Gruver City Hall, 108 E. Broadway.

LEGAL NOTICE

Hansford County Commissioner's Court will receive sealed bids until 4:00 p.m. on Friday, May 7, 1999, on the sale of a used 1994 Ford Crown Victoria four-door from the Sheriff's Department. Automobile may be seen by contacting the Sheriff's office. Bids will be opened on Monday, May 10, 1999 at the regular Commissioners' Court meeting, beginning at 10:00 a.m. in the

Law Library of the Hansford County Courthouse, Spearman, Texas.

Bids should be turned in to the County Judge's Office in the Hansford County Courthouse, Spearman, Texas, or mailed to Box 367, Spearman, TX 79081. Please mark outside of envelope with sealed bid for 1994 Ford. The County reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids.

Jim D. Brown
Hansford County Judge

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