



Engagement Announcement

Mr. and Mrs. David Biesheuvel of Georgetown, TX are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter, Leslie Biesheuvel of Ft. Worth to Eric Varnon of Weatherford, TX. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Allen Varnon of Spearman.

The bride-elect is a 1997 graduate of Herndon High School, Herndon, Virginia and a 2001 graduate of Texas Christian University in Ft. Worth, where she received a BS in Nursing. She is currently working as a pediatric nurse at Cook Children's Medical Center in Ft. Worth.

Eric is a 1997 graduate of Spearman High School and a 2001 graduate of Sterling College, Sterling, Kansas, where he received a BS in Religious & Philosophical Studies. He is currently working on his Master of Divinity degree at Brite Divinity School at TCU and working at Grace First Presbyterian Church in Weatherford.

The couple is planning an August 7, 2004 wedding at the Robert Carr Chapel on the TCU campus in Ft. Worth.



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Larry and Michele Zugaro of Colleyville are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter, Staci, to Scott Jarvis. Scott is the son of Jon and Johnette Jarvis of Morse.

Staci graduated from Colleyville Heritage High School and plans to graduate in May from Texas A&M University in College Station with a Bachelor of Business Administration degree in Marketing.

Scott graduated from Gruver High School received a Bachelor of Science degree and a Master of Science degree from Texas A&M University.

A June 26th wedding is planned in Grapevine.



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James and Carol Dunnihoo of Spearman are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter, Kasey Lynn, to Mike Butts, son of Larry and Robbie Butts of Spearman.

The couple will marry June 26, 2004 at First United Methodist Church in Spearman.

Kasey is a graduate of Texas Tech University where she is currently pursuing a Masters of Counselor Education. She is employed as a Headstart teacher in Lubbock.

Mike is a graduate of Texas Tech University and will receive a Masters of Business Administration from Texas Tech in May 2004.

EQIP Cost Share Signup Deadline Nearing

The Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) has set the signup deadline for the 2004 Environmental Quality Incentive Program (EQIP). The application deadline for the 2004 program year is April 16, 2004. Applications from individual landowners interested in participating in the EQIP during the 2004 program year received by April 16 will be ranked for program eligibility during the month of May. This will be the last cost-share funds available until approximately early-spring of next year.

EQIP can provide financial assistance of up to 50 percent of the cost of the practice completed to eligible farmers and ranchers to address soil, water and related natural resource concerns on their lands.

EQIP is a voluntary program and is designed to assist farmers and ranchers with placing natural resource conservation practices on their property. Cost share is provided to program participants to achieve the goals of a conservation plan designed with the assistance of local NRCS staff. Cost share practices include irrigation management equipment, placement of

appropriate structural or vegetative practices, such as animal waste management facilities, brush control, livestock pipelines and facilities, vegetative buffers, and wildlife habitat enhancement, to name a few. Eligible practices will depend on the location of the farm or ranch on which the practice is to be installed and the major resource concern to be addressed in that particular area.

Information on eligible cost share practices and major resource concerns of an area can be secured from your local NRCS field office. Contracts for eligible producers are made for a period of five to ten years and include incentive payments to assist with implementation of land management practices, such as nutrient management and grazing land management.

To learn more about EQIP or to submit an EQIP contract application, contact the NRCS or the Farm Service Agency at 909 west 9th in Spearman, or call 659-2330.

SHS December Students of the Month

Chris Cudd is the Spearman High School December Student of the Month.

The SHS senior is a member of the National Honor Society and the State Academic Team. He has also participated in football and golf.

His honors include All-State Academic Football, Art II Award, Who's Who in Spearman High School and Who's Who Among American High School Students.

Chris enjoys music and playing the guitar.

He is the son of Mike and Pat Cudd, and has two brothers, Eric and Evan.

Chris plans to attend Texas Tech University and major in Mass Communications.

What he lists as best about Spearman is the many different places to eat. He enjoys the art program most at Spearman High School.

He listed his mother, Mrs. Cudd, as the teacher who was most influential.

Claudia Vaquera is the Spearman high school December Student of the Month. A senior, she is the daughter of Jose and Araseli Vaquera. She has a brother, Steven, and three sisters, Irene, Dedee and Ariha.

Claudia is a member of the Cross Country Track Team, the National Honor Society,

Student Council, and was a cheerleader. She was an alternate for One-Act Play her junior year and a member of the basketball team her freshman through junior years.

Her honors include the Health and History Awards, the Spanish III Award, Basketball Academic All-District, Who's Who Among American High School Students, Cross Country Academic All-District and Track Academic All-District. She was also the sophomore and junior class president and the freshman class vice-president.

She received the Outstanding Lynnette Track Award and Lynnette Tri-Athlete Award her junior year, was named 2003 Miss Hansford, was a member of the State Cross Country qualifying team and a regional qualifier in the triple jump, 100 and mile relay her junior year.

Claudia is a leader in the AWANA program at First Baptist Church.

After graduation she plans to attend Oklahoma State University and major in Child and Family Services.

What Claudia likes best about Spearman is that the people are always willing to help you. She enjoys all the activities at Spearman High School.

She listed Mrs. Orr as the teacher who was most influential.



Claudia Vaquera and Chris Cudd

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from 11:00 a.m. -12:00 noon
at the O'Loughlin Center, Sr. Citizen's Room
A light lunch will be provided. No gifts, please!

Bridal Registry

Sara Bass & Trevor Chisum - April 17 (Gruver)
Kristi Pearson & Ross Renner - May 1 (Gruver)
Staci Zugaro & Scott Jarvis - May 1 (Gruver)
Leslie Biesheuvel & Eric Varnon - May 22
Jess Anne Fernandes & Michael Lusby
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Jennifer Laxson & Aaron Langston
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You are invited to a
Baby Boy Shower
honoring
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Monica Blackman & Bryon Pfaff - May 1 (Gruver)
Leslie Biesheuvel & Eric Varnon - May 22
Jennifer Laxson & Aaron Langston
Jess Anne Fernandes & Michael Lusby
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Thanks to the fine sponsors below, you can keep up with sports and news featuring the Lynx, Lynxettes, Hounds, Lady Hounds and Cougars in 2003-2004!

Hansford County

April 9 & 12 - County Schools will be dismissed for Easter...

Gruver High School

March 31-April 1 - Academic UIL Contest at Amarillo High School...

Gruver Jr. High

April 3 - JH District Track Meet - Stratford

Gruver Elementary

March 25 - Pre K and kindergarten assembly...

Spearman High School

April 1 - Choir UIL Site Reading Contest, WTAMU...

April 5 - District Golf at Borger
April 5 - Freshman orientation at high school, 7 p.m.
April 6 - District Tennis Tournament at Pampa...

Spearman Jr. High

April 6 - Junior High Band Contest

Gus Birdwell Elementary

April 8 - Group and individual pictures will be taken.

Pringle-Morse CISD

April 6 - District track meet at Lefors
April 8 - End of six weeks. Noon dismissal.

High School Sports

Spearman Track

PERRYTON TRACK MEET March 19 & 20, 2004

Varsity Girls

Team Totals: 1st - Canyon, 184; 2nd - Perryton, 118; 3rd - Stratford, 102; 4th - Sunray, 67...

Varsity Boys

Triple Jump: 1st - Ricky Garcia, 44'3.5" (new school record); Long Jump: 3rd - Ricky Garcia...

STRATFORD TRACK MEET

March 26 & 27, 2004

Varsity Girls

Team Totals: 1st - Stratford, 146; 2nd - Sunray, 121; 3rd - Spearman, 110; 4th - Canadian, 84...

Varsity Girls

For the Lady Hounds, Blythe Finley upped her best vault this season by six inches for a vault of 9' 6"...

Events, and placings were: Triple Jump: 3rd - Lindsey Clift; High Jump: 2nd - Lindsey Clift; Pole Vault: 1st - Blythe Finley, 9' 6"; 300 M Hurdles: 3rd Lindsey Clift

Spearman Tennis

SPEARMAN TENNIS TOURNAMENT

March 26-27, 2004

GIRLS SINGLES

Lindsey Short Champion: defeated Ortiz (Sunray) 8-0; defeated Loftis (Perryton) 6-0; defeated Gage (Perryton) 6-0, 6-3.

Trudy Hart defeated Betz (Boys Ranch) 9-7; lost to Ashley (Canadian) 1-8; lost to Satterfield (Sunray) 6-8.

GIRLS DOUBLES

Keilee Goodheart and Jordan Short - Tournament Champions: defeated Wiggington/Wagner (Branch); defeated Brewer/Crand (Branch) 8-0; defeated Flowers/Hart (Spearman) 6-0, 6-0.

Ashlee Flowers/Lindsey Short - 2nd Place: defeated Been/Mireles (Gruver) 8-0; defeated Brewer/Crand (Branch) 4-6, 6-2, 6-2; lost to Goodheart/Short (Spearman) 0-6, 0-6.

BOYS SINGLES

Brynn Garnett - 3rd Place: defeated Lennon (Boys Ranch) 8-1; lost to Alaway (Perryton) 8-9(4); defeated Sumner (Spearman) 8-3, defeated Alaway (Perryton) 6-2, 6-3.

Keith Sumner defeated Thompson (Boys Ranch) 8-1; lost to Williams (Gruver) 1-8; lost to Garnett (Spearman) 3-8.

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Big Brothers Big Sisters Walk For Kids' Sake



Jamie Casdorff raised \$620, Colleen Burkhammer raised \$475 and Brianne Burkhammer raised \$220. Each received special prizes from Taylors Gift Shoppe and Celebrate.



Big Sister Sally Swan and Little Sister Vikki and the other is Roxie Ralston, Big Sister Tisha Ralston, D. Ann Daniel and Little Sister Loren

The Walk for Kids' Sake, the annual fundraiser benefiting Big Brothers Big Sisters held March 6th, raised over \$25,000.

Pledges collected by 32 teams of walkers combined with sponsorships from area businesses and organizations will meet the program's funding needs for the next year. The money will be used to recruit, screen, and train volunteers and then supervise the matches that are made. "What that boils down to is we will be able to help more kids in our area," explained Kimberley Lopez, agency case manager. "We are so grateful for the generous support of the community. More people were involved this year than ever before." The WFKS is the agency's only fundraiser. They receive no funds from the national organization and all of the money is used to support the local program.

The top three individual money raisers won grand prizes. Jamie Casdorff won a Fossils watch from Dunlavy Jewelry and Girlfriends handbag from Footprints. Colleen Burkhammer won 50 pounds of beef given by Hansford County Feeders. Vickie Barby won a CD/DVD player donated by Perryton Radio Shack/Office Supply.

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was the Event Sponsor. Corporate sponsors (\$500) were United Supermarkets, Texas Farm, Ochiltree General Hospital, Kim Thomas Disposal Company, Samson Resources, Wright Trucking/Foster Testing, Jet Well Service, XCEL Energy and Badger Resources.

The four shift sponsors (\$350) were Interstate Bank for the Family Walk, PTSI for the Fish Walk, First National Bank of Spearman for Party Walk I and Waterhole/Gas N Stuff for Party Walk II.

Extra Mile Sponsors (\$250) were First State Bank of Spearman, FirstBank Southwest, Perryton Lions Club, Perryton Rotary Club, Spearman Lion's Club, Pioneer Trucking, Graves Operating, and Jack Allen.

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Step-up Sponsors (\$50) were Alexander Oil Field Service, Brown Graham, & Co., D.A. Daniel, Edward Jones Investments, Jason Cantrell (Hansford County Farm Bureau), Jack's Flying Service, Jennie June Club, Panhandle Pumping, Perryton Herald, Renco Tool, Sonic Drive-In, Turner Transportation, JCB II Enterprises, Marcia Cowan, CPA, L's Production, Beatech, Longhorn Pumping, Rent-A-Center, Shaner Welding, Bob Jay's Plumbing, Bill's Pest Control, Prairie Motors, West Texas Gas, Smokehouse, Gordon's Drug, and Tailgator's. Door prizes were donated by

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Walkers received T-shirts printed by sponsor, dsDesign, featuring a design by Selina Hernandez, a Spearman High School senior. The walkers also enjoyed food and beverages during their shifts. The food

court was supplied by Jeanette's Sweet Creations, Pizza Hut (Perryton), Subway, Frito-Lay, Perryton Coca-Cola, Jerry's Venture Foods, Lowe's (Perryton), Community Worship Center and Dollar General (Perryton). Music and entertainment were provided by Terry Peak and Brad Herring.

In-kind contributions were made by Perryton Printing, Spearman Elementary School, Integrity Testing and Badger Resources.

The mission of Big Brothers Big Sisters is to place children in special friendships with caring adult mentors. These relationships, or matches, help children develop positive life skills and social values. "We currently have nine matches in our community-based program; seven in Perryton and two in Spearman," Lopez said. "Twenty-nine chil-

dren are matched with volunteer mentors through our school-based program, Bigs In Schools, in Perryton and Spearman schools. Booker will offer the program in the Fall."

"The success of this fundraiser means that our ability to help kids in our area who need positive role models and extra attention is only limited by the number of caring people who step forward to serve as Big Brothers and Big Sisters," Lopez explained. "There are eight children on the waiting list. One of them is a Little Brother is from Spearman. He is 10 years old, does well in school, likes sports and has a great sense of humor. He's been waiting a while."

Anyone interested in learning more about the BBBS program is encouraged to call 434-0016.

Patterson Recognized By American Angus Association

Bailey Patterson of Spearman has been recognized nationally by the American Angus Association for having two registered Angus cows included in the association's 2004 Pathfinder report.

Only 2,099 of the more than 34,000 American Angus Association members are represented in this year's report, according to John Crouch, executive vice-president of the association with headquarters in St. Joseph's, Missouri.

The Pathfinder Program identifies superior Angus cows based upon recorded performance traits that are economically important to efficient beef production. These traits include early and regular calving and heavy weaning weights, reports Bill Bowman, association director of performance programs. More than 1,330,000 eligible dams were examined to determine pathfinder status. All registered Angus cows that meet the strict Pathfinder standards are listed, along with their owners, in the Pathfinder Report that is published annually by the association.

The 2004 Pathfinder Report lists 8,274 individual cows and 234 Pathfinder sires. It is published in the April issue of the Angus journal, and limited copies are available from the Association. The reports appear on the Web site at www.angus.org. The largest number of Pathfinder cows from a single herd this year is 78.

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