THURSDAY

FEBRUARY 10, 2000

213 MAIN SPEARMAN, TX 79081

EPORTER

Medical Service (EMS) has announced the hiring of Jay Lamb as director and Kevin

McDonald as paramedic. Lamb

began duties on February 3

while McDonald began duties

Lamb has been in EMS serv-

ice since 1992. He served as

the director of the Groom

Volunteer Ambulance Service

from 1992-1997. Being a

licensed paramedic, he is also a certified EMS instructor/exam-

iner. He has twelve years of

experience as a high school

math and physical education

teacher having taught at Highland Park, Groom, and

He and his wife, Tacy, an

EMT, have three children

Mackenzie 7, Rion 3, and

Chelsey, seven weeks. The

family enjoys camping, fish-

ing, and the outdoors. They

Spearman from Sunray where

he served as a EMS and fire

department volunteer. He is

currently an an EMT interme-

diate and will complete para-

medic certification in six

He and his wife, Krystal,

have two children, Sydney, 4,

and Alex, 10 months.

McDonald enjoys sports espe-

cially football, basketball, and

softball. He collects sports

cards and enjoys time spent

moved

attend the Baptist Church.

McDonald

with his family.

on February 7.

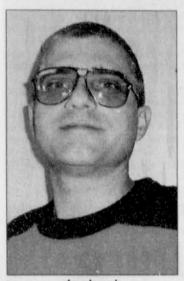
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Spearman EMS Hires **New Director**







Kevin McDonald

SHS Bands Attend Region Solo & Ensemble Contest

The following band students received a 1st division rating of Superior at Region solo and ensemble contest on Saturday, February

Junior High Solos: Holly Baker, Jessica Blan, Jessica Brown, Jena Cherry, Emily Delagarza, Jentry Edwards, Josh Evans, Jessica Freeman, Rebekah Goodson, Callie Hargis, Carlos Hernandez, Melissa Lesly, Pedro Lugo, Dana McLaughlin, Dusty Payne, Aleisha Sweat, Clete Vanderburg, Claudia Vaquera, Abby Winegarner

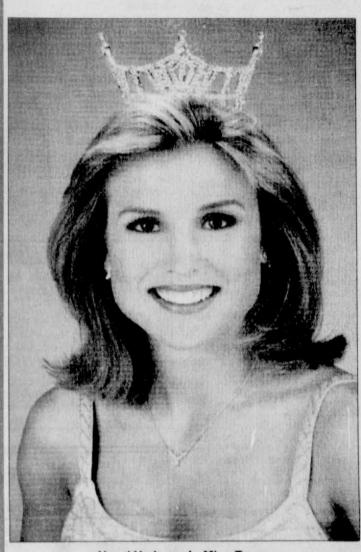
Junior High Ensemble: Clarinet Trio of Sami Cazares, Jentry Edwards, and Nekisha Whitefield

The following students received a 2nd division rating of Excellent: Junior High Solos: Christina Ochoa, Bertha Ortiz, Katie Reed,

Alejandro Rios, Jeannette Vasquez, Nekisha Whitefield Junior High Ensemble: Mixed Woodwind trio of Dusty Payne, Claudia Vaquera, and Emily Delagarza

High School Solos: Adriana Rios, Laura Camacho, Sarah George, Krystal Delagarza

SHS Honor Society Slates Induction



Yanci Yarbrough, Miss Texas

Fifteen Spearman High School students will be inducted into the Edna Hartman Chapter of the National Honor Society on February 16, 2000. The induction will be at 2:30 p.m. in the High School Auditorium. Yanci Yarbrough, Miss Texas, will be the guest speaker.

Students to be inducted are juniors: Coley Griffin, Natalie Pipkin and Richard Varnon.

Sophomores to be inducted are Tanner Beedy, John Brock, Erin Boxwell, Laura Camacho, Monica Canta, Matt Dunnihoo, Amber Elliott, Cheryl Gibson, Laura Gillaspie, Steven Haney Arthur Maestas and Clara Schieldknight.

Officers of NHS are Halee Beasley, president; Camille Smith, vice-president; Amber Ramon, secretary; and Kathryn Murphy, treasurer.

Senior members of the National Honor Society in additional to the officers are Dustin Barber, Jordan Brock, Stephanie Bynum, Evan Cudd, Tommy Dewberry, Cynthia Goodman, Kelsey Brooke Lesly, Jeramy Mackie, Lacie Miesner, Reagan Renner, Stephen Salgado, Mickey Schoenhals, Sydney Woodington.

Junior members are Cary Cates Randy Duffy, Jacob Harbour, David Holt, Dibrell Kirk, Nicole Lozano, Chelsea Nollner, Denise Paschell, Angela Pipkin, Kara Pipkin, Sally Pittman, Jennifer Schnell, Adrienne Simpson, Villines and Brady

The public is invited to attend the induction program.

Rasor Honored



Danny Womble congratulates Melba Rasor.

Spearman High School debate winners (left to right) Syd Woodington, Amber Ramon, Tommy Dewberry, Angela Pipkin, and Cynthia Goodman bask in the display of trophies they won in competition at Amarillo High, Borger and Tascosa debate meets

Debate Team Wins

The Spearman High School debate squad has captured several outstanding awards in meets held at Amarillo High, Borger High, and Tascosa High.

In the first meet of the new year, Angela Pipkin placed third at the Amarillo High School Tournament in Lincoln Douglas Debate. She also qualified for the Texas Forensic Association State Meet which will be held in El Paso during Spring break.

Six trophies were won by five SHS debaters who attended the

Borger High School Speech and Debate Tournament held January 29. Cindy Goodman was awarded the prestigious outstanding debater award for the highest speaker points in the tournament. Garnering third place in Cross-X debate were Goodman and Tommie Dewberry and Syd gton and Amber Ramon. Pipkin took third place in Lincoln Douglas debate.

Dewberry and Goodman captured first place in a meet held at Tascosa High School on February fourth and fifth with approximately 30 1A-5A schools competing. Their win qualifies them to compete in Cross-X debate at the Texas Forensic Association State Meet to be held in El Paso.

Evan Cudd, Stephen Salgado, Tommie Dewberry. Goodman, Syd Woodington, and Amber Ramon will be competing in the district UIL Cross-X meet on March 12, 2000 at West Texas High.

For more than 40 years, Aubrey Rasor of Gruver has served Hansford County and Texas Farm Bureau in a wide variety of capacities - including state director for the district. For his impressive tenure, he was honored recently with the 1999 District 1 Farm Bureau Pioneer Award. The 72year old Rasor accepted the award at TFB's annual convention.

Rasor began his membership with Hansford County Farm Bureau in 1959. He has been an active member of the county board since 1960. He served three terms as county president, two terms as vice president and several years as secretary and treasurer.

The Panhandle farmer not only devoted years of his time to the county effort, but he also funneled his energies into numerous state activities. Mr. Rasor has been a member of Texas Farm Bureau's State Resolutions Committee and the search committee for a new TFB chief executive officer. He has given of his time on the policy

development, membership, and

rural health committees.
In 1987, Rasor was elected to the Texas Farm Bureau State Board of Directors, where he served for six years. He has attended many American Farm Bureau Federation conventions and worked on the AFBF wheat

committee for two years Rasor has worked through the years with local youth in prepara-tion for the organization's Citizenship Seminar and Free Enterprise Speech Contest. He also spent 15 years as a 4-H counselor and sat on the regional 4-H council.

He still farms and currently works with his grandson.

Texas Farm Bureau's annual Pioneer Awards are presented to those members who have helped build the organization during their

Rushing Wind Emmaus will meet in Borger on Saturday, February 12th at 6:30 p.m. in the First United Methodist Church, 200 N.

McGee Street.

Everyone is invited to bring their family, spouse, and friends for an evening of praise, worship, and fellowship. Members of all churches are welcome to attend. A potluck meal will be served at 6:30 p.m. and a nursery will be provided.

The Board of Directors will meet at 5:00 p.m. A sponsor's hour will follow the services.

will follow the service.

A men's Walk to Emmaus will be sponsored by the Rushing Wind at the Waka Christian Center on February 17th-20th. John Harris of Hartley will serve as lay director and Rev. Steve Ulrey will be the spiritual director. Information may be received by calling (806) 435-2149.

Happy Birthology Our Deepest Sympathy

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. Catherine Smith. 659-3434. Thank you,

February 10
Birthday - Karen Cotter, Mark Irwin, Tammy White, Robbie Cator, Nina Evans, Mary Ann Lasater, J. Travis Garnett, Evelina Martinez, Gregory Brand, Jimmy McLeod, Clay Fewell, Charles West, Fanetta Pierce, Josie Holt, Debbie Eslick, Karen Schnell Anniversary - Mr. & Mrs. Perry Dixon

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Perry Dixon
February 11
Birthday - Angie Clawson,
Craig Schuman, Joan
McClellan, Jo McAdams,
Denise Harbour, James Hargis,
Willard Davis, Lillian Cooksey,
Roy Harbour, Myrle Holt, Leigh
Anne Winger, Addie Williams,
Kari Lou Russel
Anniversary - Mr. & Mrs. Herb

Anniversary - Mr. & Mrs. Herb McClellan

February 12
Birthday - Rod Been, Lynn
Burk, Louise Evans, Josephine
Fletcher, Brian McClenagan,
Brandon Reagon, Kaci
Renteria, Sister Criselda Vela, Renteria, Sister Criselda Vela, Mae Hargis, Kelly Goodman, Anselmo Vela, Mary Dixon, Glynn & Lynn Pattison, Jennie Lou Connely, Jana Hawkins, Roy Sutton, Mary Virden, Jo Fletcher, Troy James, Derrick Burnett, Clayton Vanderberg, Stephen Jacops, Walter

Anniversary - Mr. & Mrs. Buck Tidwell, Mr. & Mrs. Gary Evans, Mr. & Mrs. Roy Lee Uptergrove, Mr. and Mrs. Larry Ross

February 13
Birthday - Rick Barkley, Rosi
Chisum, Kristi Williams, Sherry
Lee, Faye Holt, Richard Ooley,
Bill Watson, Catalina Espinosa,
Esther Vargas, Mari Ann
Bartimos, Maura Gaspar
Anniversary - Mr. & Mrs. Eddy
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February 14

Birthday - Alice Goodman, Ti
Harbour, Nick Nelson, Janice
Holt, C.W. Kirk, Tommy
Thomas, Laura Umphress,
Bubba Smith, Donna Ball,
Lena Kathryn Harbour, Betsy
Sutterfield, Kenneth Baker,
Josiah Lee Vasquez, Courtney
Wood
Anniversary, Mr. & Mr. Kirk

Wood
Anniversary - Mr. & Mrs. Kip
Francis, Mr. & Mrs. Roney
Clark, Ricky & Cindy Dowdy,
Hal & Jeanie Bennett, Terry &
Tammy Burch, Mr. & Mrs.
Omar Sutton, Mr. & Mrs.
Tommy Saltzman, Mr. & Mrs.
Salomon Tarango, Mr. & Mrs.
Tony Swink, Mr. & Mrs. Rod
Holland, Mr. & Mrs. Delfino

Parra, Rev. & Rev. Joseph Weaks, Garrett & Mika Gumfory

February 15
Birthday - Lee Bradford,
Heath Gammon, Donnie
Thoreson, Claude Sheets Jr., Lynn Sheets, Brenda White, Marlane Nollner, Laura Dahl, Toby White, Kirk Adams, J. P. Prouty, Juanna Rosales, Colby Bedell, Rick Finley, Colleen Burkhammer

Burkhammer
Anniversary - Mr. & Mrs. Hoyt
Biles, Mr. & Mrs. Jim Norton
February 16
Birthday - Mike Babbs,
Johnny Pat O'Connell, David
Parker, Mike Larson, Lynda
Owens, Ismael Vela, Timothy
Peck, Maylynn Ayers, Cliff
Lang, Brittany Claxton, Diana
Pepper, Rex Reid
Anniversary - Mr. & Mrs.

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Anniversary - Mr. & Mrs.
Jesus Espinosa, Mr. & Mrs.
Charles Chritton, Mr. & Mrs.
Augustine Mejia, Mr. & Mrs.
Bobby Hohertz, Mr. & Mrs.
Gene Fletcher, Eschol &
Eulalia Blankenship
February 17
Birthday - Katie Jones,
Manuel Ruiz Jr., Mark Guthrie,
Lee Ann Schrader, Charles
Hall, T.H. Rodriquez, Ernest
Wayne Jr., Ric Smith

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Anniversary - Oscar & Janice
Noble, Mr. & Mrs. Ed Castillo
February 18
Birthday - Vickie Bullard,
Carla Jo Riggins, Luke Stroud,
Beau Roberts, Buck Sell, Edith
Breland, Blan Rutherford, J.D.

Anniversary - Mr. & Mrs.

Anniversary - Mr. & Mrs.
Richie Fletcher
February 19
Birthday - Melissa Quillin,
Delphine Etling, Bob Womble,
Bessie Mitts, Stephanie Hays,
Bennie Brogdon, David
Kellum, Sylvia Rosales, Niki
Taylor, Robert Dean Meire,
Chuck Ball
Anniversary - Charles & Carol
Hall, Mr. & Mrs. Dorsey Perez,
Mr. & Mrs. Lupe Moreno, Mr. &
Mrs. Larry Trosper
February 20
Birthday - Brant Armes, Ed
Mayfield, Greg Stork, Tessa
Yanke, Kathy Brown, John
Antalek, Terry Morris, Melissa
Holt, Brenda Moyer, Steve
Shields, Clayton Hergert, Bill
Volden, Cody Brandvick,

Volden, Cody Brandvick, Rosemary McKee, Jeannie Folwen, Pauline McGee,

Richey Thompson
Anniversary - Mr. & Mrs.
Wilson Bruning, Mr. & Mrs.
Charles Evans, Mr. & Mrs. Jon

February 21
Birthday - Sandra Proffitt,
Walter McDade, C.J. Renner,
Lisa Meisner, Raul Ortega, Ann
Thomas, Chandler Adkins, Tom

Anniversary - Ken & JoAnn

Danny Lee Wilson

Danny Lee Wilson, 59, died on Thursday, February 3, 2000. Services were held at 10:00 a.m. on Saturday, February 5, 2000 in First Southern Baptist Church in Fritch, with the Rev. Leon Lothman, pastor of Living Word Fellowship in Guymon, OK, officiating. Graveside services were held at 3:00 p.m. in Elmhurst Cemetery in Guymon by Minton/Chatwell Funeral Directors of Fritch.

Mr. Wilson was born in Guymon. He moved to Fritch from Gruver. In 1995, he retired as a gasoline plant operator for Mapeo. He was a Navy veteran and a Baptist.

He was a guitarist who played at country western events. He married Jo Arthur in 1961 at Guymon.

Survivors include his wife; a son, Bryan Wilson of Fritch; a daughter, Dana Wilson Smith of Levelland; three brothers, Marvin G. Wilson of Dalhart, Benny Wilson of Gruver and Lany Wilson of Guymon; three sisters, Marvella Smith, Floydella Lotham and Sharon Heflin, all of Guymon; and two grandchildren.

The family suggests memorials be to the National Kidney Foundation of West Texas, P.O. Box 51231, Amarillo, TX 79159-1231 The family will be staying at 313 Overland Trail in Fritch.

Taylor Scott Genn

Taylor Scott Genn, 75, died on Saturday, February 5, 2000 in Amarillo.

Graveside services were held at 11:00 a.m. on Monday, February 7, 2000 with the Rev. Jay McGaughy, pastor of the Temple Baptist Church in Dumas, officiating. Interment was in Northlawn Memorial Gardens in

Taylor was born on July 29, 1924 in Oklahoma. He had been a resident of Amarillo since 1995. He was a former resident of Stinnett and a former longtime resident of Dumas.

He retired from American Zinc after many years as a master electri-

Survivors include one daughter, Joyce Godfrey of Dumas; one son, Odeil Genn of Spearman; three brothers, Bill Genn of Midland, Gene Genn of Clayton, MN, and Frankie Odell Genn of Amarillo; two sisters, Pauline David of Amarillo and Geraldine Barnes of Midtown, CA; and three grandchildren

He was preceded in death by his wife, Betty Genn in 1993. The family suggests memorials be made to St. Anthony's Hospice, Box 950, Amarillo, TX 79176.

Thank You

I would like to thank the Morse and Gruver Volunteer Fire Department for their efforts in containing the fire at my place. Thanks again,

Thank You

We wish to express our heartfelt appreciation for the many kindnesses shown us during the hospitalization and death of Betty Lemons. Mom was fortunate to have lived in such a caring community.

James and Frank Lemons

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College News

Connors State College

The President's and Vice-President's Honor Rolls for the fall semester for Connors State College were recently announced.

Students on the President's Honor Roll, consisting of 72 students, have a grade point average of 4.0 on a four-point scale. The Vice-President's Honor Roll, 271 students, includes those who have GPAs of 3.44 to 3.99.

Included on the Vice-President's Honor Roll was Ruth Shields of Spearman.

Oklahoma State University

A total of 3,399 students were named to the fall honor rolls at Oklahoma State University. Full-time undergraduate students who complete 12 or more hours with a grade point average of 4.00 and with no incomplete grade in any course are placed on the President's Honor Roll. Students who have completed their courses with a grade-point average of 3.50 or higher, have no incomplete grades or grades below a "C," are placed on the Dean's Honor Roll.

Local students on the President's Honor Roll included Kenneth Eugene Slough of Gruver. Local students on the Dean's Honor Roll include Joni Janeen Hart of Gruver and Bruce Wayne Howell of

Spearman.

Sterling College

Eric Varnon of Spearman, Texas was recently named to the Fall 1999 Dean's List at Sterling College. Varnon is a junior at Sterling and is the son of Allen and Peggy Varnon.

Criteria for the honor include the completion of at least twelve credit hours and a GPA of 3.5 or better. One-hundred and forty-seven students were named to the Fall Dean's List.

Sterling College is a four-year Christ-centered, liberal arts college located in Sterling, Kansas. The College, founded in 1887, has a covenant relationship with the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.). Its mission is"to develop creative and thoughtful leaders who understand a maturing Christian faith." Sterling College is accredited by the Commission on Institutions of Higher Education of the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools at 30 North LaSalle St., Suite 2400, Chicago, IL 60602 -- 800-621-7440.

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Divorce Recovery Seminar

Paramount Terrace Christian Church announced today that they will sponsor and host a divorce recovery seminar to help persons cope with the experience of separation and divorce. The seminar will be held March 3 & 4 and is available to anyone, regardless of religious affiliation.

"What we try to do", explained Mike Sanford, president of Fresh Start, "is to help the participants understand how divorce affects them and how they might achieve personal growth from the experience, rather than just endure it."

The seminar, which will be Friday evening and all day Saturday, includes both formal presentations and small group discussions. Topics to be presented consist of: "The Stages of Divorce and Recovery;" "Beginning Again;" "Working Through Bitterness and Learning to Forgive" elec-

In addition to these subjects, participants also may choose to attend the following: 'Re-Entry Into the Single Life; "Single 'Separation/Reconciliation;" Sexuality;" and "Kids in the Middle" (Panel discussion).

The Fresh Start speaker for the evening will be Jay Graham. The fee of \$35.00 (before 2/25, \$40.00 aider 2/25) covers all printed material, snacks on Friday and lunch on Saturday. More information and brochures may be obtained by calling (806)353-6615 or writing to: Paramount Terrace Christian Church, 4000 Mays, Amarillo, TX 79109.

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First Assembly of God 401 N. Bernice • 659-2295 Sunday School. 9:30 a.m. Worship: 10:35 a.m. Evening Worship: 7 p.m. Wed. Worship: 7:30 p.m. Youth: 7:30 Wednesday Pastor - Walter Greaser, Jr.

First Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)
29 S. Bernice • 659-2036
Sunday School: 9.45 a.m.
Worship: 10:50 a.m.
Minister -

First Baptist Church
123 N. Bernice • 659-5557
Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.
Worship: 11 a.m.
Evening Worship: 7 p.m.
Wed. Fellowship Meal: 6 p.m.
Wed. Disc. Time: 6:30 p.m.
Wed. Youth Mg. 8 p.m.
Pastor - Rick Patrick
Youth/Ed. Min. - Brian Foster

Church of Christ
121 S. Haney • 659-3244
Sunday Bible Class: 9:45 a.m.
Worship: 10:30 a.m.
Evening Worship: 6 p.m.
Bible Study Wed: 7:30 p.m.
KRDF Radio Program
Living W/Christ: 7:50 a.m.
Minister - Leonard Harper

Sacred Heart Catholic Church
901 Roland • 659-2792
Sat. Night Mass. 5:30 p.m.
Sun. Mass. 9 a.m. - English
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Sun. Mass. 11:30 - Spanish
1:30 p.m. - Gruver - Christo
Rendentor Mass - Spanish
Rev. Scott Raef

Trinity Fellowship Church 717 W. 7th Ave • 659-2671 Sunday School; 9:30 a.m. Worship Service & Children's Church; 10:30 a.m. Pastor -

First Presbyterian Church (Worships with Lutheran) 1021 Cotter • 659-2033 Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. at Sunday School: 9.45 a.m. at Lutheran Church Worship: 11 a.m. (alternates monthly between Lutheran & Presbyterian Church Bldg.) Pastor - Beverly Cook

Faith Lutheran Church (ELCA) 1101 Bernice • 659-2252 (Worships with First Presbyterian Church)

First United Methodist 407 S. Haney • 659-5503 Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Worship: 8:30 8.11 a.m. Jr. High Youth: 5 p.m. Sunday High School: 6 p.m. Sunday Kids Cub: 3 p.m. Wed Pastor - Ken Cole

Union Church
31 S. Endicott • 659-2644
Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.
Worship: 10:45 a.m.
Evening Worship; 6 p.m.
Bible Study: 7 p.m. Wed
Pastor - Bill Sparks

Fellowship Baptist
1102 S. Archer • 659-2783
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Worship: 11 a.m.
Sun. Evening Worship: 6 p.m.
Youth/Adult Serv. 7:30 Wed.
Pastor - Gene Foster

Primera Mision Bautista Soz E. 7th • 659-3991
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Worship: 11 a.m.:
Evening: 6 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meeting: 7 p.m.
Thurs. Visitation: 7 p.m.

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Culto Evangelistico - 7 p.m.
Jueves: Oracion - 8 p.m
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Church of Christ Church of Christ 209 King • 733-2760 Sunday School 9:30 a.m. Worship: 10:20 a.m. Evening Worship: 6 p.m. Wed. Worship: 7:30 p.m.

First Christian Church 510 King • 733-2960 Sunday School 10.00 a.m. Sunday Worship: 11 a.m. Youth: 7:30, Sunday Adult Bible Study: 7:30, Sun. Wed. Bible Study: 8:00 p.m. Pastor - Gary Gumfory

Oslo Lutheran Church (ECLA) 6 Miles West & 12 Miles North of Gruver 339-7709 Sunday School 9.45 a.m. Worship 11 a.m.

Gruver United Methodist Broadway & Garrett 733-2651 Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Worship: 8:30 & 10:50 a.m. Eve. Worship & UMY: 6 p.m. Pastor - Jerry Moore

Spanish Cristo Redentor Church Sunday Mass: 1:30 p.m. Friday Evening Mass Summer - 8:00 p.m. Fall/Winter - 7:30 p.m

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by Catherine R. Smith CathyRSmit@aol.com

Carl Kunselman read the following story during a church meeting on Monday night. I thought it was worth passing on. It was given to him by Sally Desimone.

In Brooklyn, NY, Chush is a school that caters to learning-disabled children. Some children remain in Chush for their entire school career, while others can be main-streamed into conentional Jewish schools. At a Chush fund-raising dinner, the father of a Chush child delivered a speech that would never be forgotten by all who attended.

After extolling the school and its dedicated staff, he cried out," Where is the perfection in my son Shaya? Everything God does is done with perfection. But my child cannot understand things as other children do. My child cannot remember facts and figures as other children do. Where is God's perfection?" The audience was shocked by the question, pained by the father's anguish and stilled by the piercing query.

tion, pained by the father's anguish and stilled by the piercing query.

"I believe," the father answered, "that when God brings a child like this into the world, the perfection that He seeks is in the way people react to this child."

He then told the following story about his son:

One afternoon Shaya and his father walked past a park where some boys Shaya knew were playing baseball. Shaya asked, "Do you think they will let me play?"

Shaya's father knew that his son was not at all athletic and that most boys would not want him on their team. But Shaya's father understood that if his son were chosen to play it would give him a comfortable sense belonging.

Shaya's father approached one of the boys in the field and aske dif Shaya could play.

The boy looked around for guidance from his teammates. Getting none, he took matters into his own hands and said, "We are losing by six runs, and the game is in the eighth inning. I guess he can be on our team, and we'll try to put him up to bat in the ninth inning."

Shaya's father was ecstatic as Shaya smiled broadly. Shaya's father was ecstatic as Shaya smiled broadly. Shaya was told to put on a glove and go out to play short center field.

In the bottom of the eighth inning. Shoya's team scored a

In the bottom of the eighth inning, Shaya's team scored a few runs, but was still behind by three. In the bottom of the ninth inning, Shaya's team scored again and now with two outs and the bases loaded with the potential winning run on base, Shaya was scheduled to be up. Would the team actually let Shaya was this juncture adn give away their chance to goin the game?

actually let Shaya was scheduled to be up. Would the team actually let Shaya bat at this juncture adn give away their chance to win the game?

Surprisingly, Shaya was given the bat. Everyone knew that it was all but impossible, because Shaya didn't even know how to hold the bat properly, let alone hit with it. However, as Shaya stepped up to the plat, the pitcher moved a few steps to lob the ball in softly so Shaya should at least be able to make contact.

The first pitch came in and Shaya swung clumsily and missed. One of Shaya's teammates came up to Shaya and together they held the bat and faced the pitcher waiting for the next pitch. The pitcher again took a few steps forward to toss the ball softly toward Shaya. As the pitch came in, Shaya and his teammate swung the bat and togethe they hit a slow ground ball to the pitcher. The pitcher picked up the soft grounder and could easily have thrown the ball to the first baseman. Shaya would have been out and that would have ended the game.

Instead, the pitcher took the ball and threw it on a high arc to right field, far beyond reach of the first baseman. Everyone started yelling, "Shaya, run to first. Run to first."

Never in his life had Shaya run to first. He scampered deals the baseline with a start of the first baseman.

Never in his life had Shaya run to first. He scampered down the baseline, wide-eyed and startled. By the time he reached first base, the right fielder had the ball. He could have thrown the ball to the second baseman that would tag

have thrown the ball to the second baseman that would tag out Shaya, who was still running.

But, the right fielder understood what the pitcher's intentions were, so he threw the ball high and far over the third baseman's head.

Everyone helled, "Run to second, run to second." Shaya ran towards second base as the runers ahead of him deliriously circled the bases toward home.

As Shaya reached second base, the opposing shortstop ran to him, furned him in the direction of third base and shouted. "Run to third"

ed, "Run to third.

As Shaya rounded third, the boys from both teams ran behind him screaming, "Shaya run home!"

Shaya ran home, stepped on home plate and all 18 bous lifted him on their shoulders and made him the hero, as he

had just hit a "grandslam" and won the game for his team.
"That day," said the father softly with tears now rolling down his face, "those 18 boys reached their level of God's perfection."

May God Bless Each of You, Catherine:)

Harrington Cancer Center Community Calendar

The Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer Center recently released the February Community Calendar.

Thursdays, Noon-1:30 p.m.

Dialogue is a patient/family education support group sponsored by Harrington Cancer Center and American Cancer Society.

February 3rd - "Anxiety: Managing the Silent Symptom" - What anxiety is and what you can do about it - Gerry Kelly, M.Div.

February 10th - "Open Forum" - Open group discussion of any can-cer-related topic (will be held in the Harrington Cancer Center

February 17th - "Overcoming Physical Challenges" - Ideas to help make life easier when the going gets tough, presented by Michael Gaylor, National Home Health Care

February 24th - "What's New in Cancer Research" - Cancer research scientist shares her insight on what's ahead, presented by Catherine Phillips, PhD, VA Medical Center

> Freshstart Tuesdays & Thursdays, February 8th-17th, 4:00-5:00 p.m.

Freshstart is a two-week smoking cessation support series. Freshstart is a joint program of the Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer Center and American Cancer Society. It is presented free of charge.

February 8th - "Understanding Why and How"
February 10th - "Managing the First Few Days"
February 15th - "Mastering Obstacles"
February 17th - "Staying Quit Forever & Enjoying It"

Women In Touch February 21st 5:30-7:30 p.m.

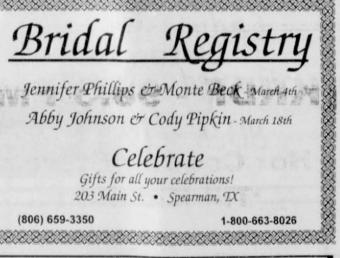
Women in Touch is a monthly support group for women with breast cancer presented by the Harrington Cancer Center Women's Center. Meets the 3rd Monday of the month in the Harrington Cancer Center, 1500 Wallace Blvd., 2nd Floor, Amphitheater in Amarillo.

4th Anniversary Celebration - "Emotional Reactions to Chemotherapy" - It's not "all in your head" ... join Dr. LaGrone as she looks at a side of chemotherapy you may have experienced, but were afraid to ask about, presented by Dawn LaGrone, MD

For more information on any of these programs, call Gerry Kelly at (806) 359-4673, ext. 235 or Stan McKeever at (806) 359-4673, ext. 141, or by calling 1-800-274-4673.

The Women's Center Breast Screening will be at Hansford County Hospital, 712 S. Roland, Spearman on February 28th.

A minimum of fifteen women need to register in order for mobile mammography clinics to come to area towns. Funding is available through the Texas Department of Health for Texas residents who qualify for assistance. All exams are done by appointment only. Space is limited, call (806) 356-1905 or 1-800-377-4673 for more information, or to





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HANSFORD HAPPENINGS

Barnes Medical Fund Established
A medical fund has been established at First National Bank for Doug and Shannon Barnes.

Davis Medical Fund Established
A medical fund has been established at First State Bank for the family of Chad and Tara Davis.

A medical fund has been established at First National Bank for George Young.

CRP Sign-Up Dates Announced

The 20th Sign-Up Period for the Conservation Reserve Program (CRP) will be held January 18-February 11, 2000 at the local offices of the USDA's Farm Service Agency (FSA). The Sign-up 20 Environmental Benefits Index (EBI) is very similar to the EBI for Sign-up 18, except that the Federal or state-listed threatened and endangered species subfactor of the wildlife habitat component has been strengthened and clarified. The 5-point category was eliminated. In some states water quality area designations have been modified, and a few additional state conservation priority areas may have been approved. For more information, call the Hansford FSA Office at 659-3036.

Conversational Spanish
A conversational Spanish class will begin on Thursday, February 17th at 7:00 p.m. at Spearman High School. Classes will be held on February 17th, 24th, March 9th and 16th. The cost of the class is \$25.00, and is due the first night of class. The instructor will be Mary Ontiveros. To register, call Cindy Blackman at 659-3233. (If you have already talked to Cindy about the class, there is no need to register.)

AARP Offers Free Tax Help

AARP Tax-Alde is in Spearman at the Hansford Courity Library, 122 Main Street, every Tuesday from 1:00-5:00 p.m. AARP Tax-Alde is: a free quality service; a confidential service that prepares tax returns and answers tax questions from February 1st through April 15th; services available to all taxpayers with middle- to low-income, with special attention to those age 60 and older; 31,000-dedicated and proud IRS-trained and certified volunteers; a charitable non-profit program; an AARP Foundation program and part of the National Community Service Programs Group. It is administered through the AARP Foundation in cooperation with the IRS. For more information, call 1-888-AARPNOW (1-888-227-7669), or visit their web-site at www.aarp.org/taxaide/

Financial Ald Seminar

Spearman High School will host a financial aid seminar on Monday, February 21st at 7:00 p.m. in the high school auditorium. Dave Corley of Panhandle-Plains Higher Education Authority; Linda Tinsley from West Texas A&M University; and a representative from Opportunity Plan, Inc. Topics that will be discussed include: 1) Types of financial aid; 2) Which type of financial aid is best; 3) Applying for financial aid; and 4) What is the FAFSA? Following the presentations: there will be a question and answer period. Students who attend will be able to register for a \$100 scholarship from the Panhandle-Plains Higher Education Authority. If you have a high school student who plans to attend college, this seminar will be very beneficial. College costs continue to rise and the necessity for further education continues to increase. Take this opportunity to learn some options for financing a college education. For additional information, contact Mrs. Guthrie at Spearman High School (659-2584).

Hansford County Promise Keepers
All men in our community are invited to attend the weekly Promise Keepers meeting on Thursdays at noon in the Panhandle Diner and Deli at 217 Main Street in Spearman. This interdenominational meeting will provide food, fellowship and an opportunity for studying some of the great men in the Bible. Come join us as we grow in becoming more like Christ.

Holt Club Scholarship
The Holt Club will provide a \$500 scholarship to a graduating senior from Spearman High School. Interested students should contact Glenda Guthrie. Deadline for application is April 28, 2000.

Emmaus Reunion Scheduled

A Reunion Group meeting will be held on Monday, February
21st at 8:00 p.m. in the home of John and Jolinda Hutchison.
Anyone who has been on a Walk to Emmaus is invited to attend.

Girls AAU Tryouts

An Amarillo-Panhandle area-wide 11-year-old AAU girl's All-Star basketball team is looking for a few talented players interested in competing on an AAU team which qualified for the national AAU tournament in 1999. Players must be born in 1988. Coached by Jackie Mercer, the West Texas Heat will be holding tryouts between 2:30 p.m. and 5 p.m. on Sunday, February 13, 2000 at Carter Gym on the campus of Amarillo College. For information, call John Teters at (806) 364-7057.

2000 Stock Shows
Listed below are the Stock Shows scheduled for the year 2000.
They are: Hansford County Livestock Show - Feb. 11-12 at Gruver; San Antonio Livestock Exposition - San Antonio - Steers show February 15-18, Swine show Feb. 13-18, Gilts show Feb. 8-11; Houston Livestock Show & Rodeo - Houston - Steers show Feb. 28 - March 3, Lambs go to Rosenburg for sifting Feb.27; make sift go to Houston show March 1&2, Swine go to Brenham for sifting Feb. 24-27; make sift go to Houston show Feb. 29-March 2; San Angelo Livestock Show - San Angelo - March 9-11

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FCE Plans Annual Meeting

The Family & Community Education clubs of Hansford County are

planning a meeting of all members on Tuesday, February 22nd at 12:00 Noon in the Fellowship Hall of Spealman Church of Christ. Kim

Nelson) Kennedy of Pampa will present a program on friendship and

Anyone interested in joining an FCE club is encouraged to attend

FCE clubs are open to everyone regardless of socioeconomic level,

ace, color, sex, religion, disability or national origin. Call any member

Town & Country club meets 1st & 3rd Tuesday at noon or evening. Members include Judy Yarbrough, Janie Kunselman, Delinda McLaughlin, Jennifer Keim, Wanda Wagner, Rhonda Covington, Carla

Brown, Martina Miller, Annetta McIver, Cindy Duvall, Jolinda Hutchison, Charla Hargis, Debbie Eslick and Brooke Greene.

Happy Homes Club meets 1st & 3rd Thursday at 1:30 p.m. Members

nclude Patty Sheppard, Adalyn Barnes, Betty Uptergrove, Wanda

Stewart, Marguerite Nelson, Ethel Waggoner, Sterna Brown, Elsie Watley, Noima Jean Mackie, Annalee Pittman, and Peggy Greaser.

Primary objective of FCE club is to strengthen, develop, coordinate

and extend adult education to improve quality of living, develop lead-ership skills and preserve the American home. Club programs are pre-

sented by the County Extension Agent or club members or resource

FCE sponsors 4-H scholarships, helps with Bingo at Hansford Manor, and sponsors the Veteran's Day program. If you have questions about

FCE or wish to attend the luncheon, please call Peggy Winegarner County Extension Agent at 659-4130 or 733-2901.

Among The Neighbors

by Helen Fisher

Former classmates are interested in learning that Chuck Grayson left January 18th for marine boot camp at San Diego. He is a recent graduate of Spearman High

He will graduate April 16th and his grandparents, B.J. and Jonell Grayson, will fly out to attend the ceremony.

Chuck, who has made his home here with his grandparents most of his life, had not been away before for any length of time so probably will be homesick - if his boot camp exercises allow time

His mailing address is: Recruit Grayson, Charles R.; Platoon 3034-I-Co; 3rd Btn - R.T.R.; Marine Corps R.D.; San Diego, CA 92140.

Johni and Laura Walsar returned last Thursday from a two weeks stay in Dallas where they had taken their nine month old daughter, Brittany. At the Dallas Children's Medical Center she had undergone open heart surgery to close holes in two heart chambers.

The surgery was successful but while in Dallas she contracted pneumonia and was returned to the hospital.

The Walsars are encouraged by her progress. Their cardiologistpediatrician periodically flies to Amarillo as there is none in Amarillo and Brittany can be under his care.

LaDell Scroggs is back at home recovering from major surgery performed at Baptist St. Anthony's in Amarillo Friday before last.

Husband, son and daughter, Dallon, Darrell, and Julia, were in Amarillo during the surgery and weekend. Darrell and Julia have returned to Stillwater, OK where they are students at O.U

It will be about six weeks before La Dell can resume her duties at the Hansford Abstract.

Ora Lee Blackburn has not heard from her granddaughter who lives in Kenai, Alaska regarding the huge avalanches that have been occurring there, some with fatal results.

Ora Lee's daughter, Elaine, and Bill Cessnum were enroute to Old Mexico for his medical treatment. Bill, who has cancer of lymph glands, was accompanied by his

Carolyn Kenealy and family are relieved to get the information that ered from a severe bout of pneumonia and able to resume his duties with the U.N. peace keeping

He is in the German sector of Kosovo and was under the care of German military doctor and a German military hospital for ten

Since mail is three weeks reaching the U.S. from there, and three weeks from here to Kosovo, the family is never sure what the current situation is.

Lawrence is in the southeastern part of the country, near Albania and events are such a contrast to American borders. He wrote of several people in a car trying to reach Kosovo and at the Albanian border, the guards on that side wanted money to let them cross; saying the Ahad no money, the driver started on. The guard broke out the windows and climbed into the car trying to get money. Nearing the Kosovo border, the car finally got rid of him driving with broken windows to their destina-

Carolyn is looking forward to the last week in February when, during the school break, she will fly to Athens and meet Lawrence.

Linda and Tom Latta enjoyed the weekend entertaining their important guests - Megan, Travis and Kaitlin Stedje. The glowing fire in in the fireplace added to the fun of stories, games and jokes.

Julie and Tim Stedje of Gruver attended the Valentine Ball at Perryton Saturday evening.

Four tired men from the First Baptist Church returned Sunday from Matamoros where they had been since January 29th. They worked on the childrens home there on building repairs. They worked diligently in spite of miss-ing their usual "straw bossy" Roy Lee Uptergrove. He was unable to go as he is recovering from knee

Roy Lee has gone every year since the church started this project in 1975, except in 1980 when no one went, but they donated and sent a school bus for the home.

Those giving their time and effort this year were James Cunningham, Rick Patrick, Doyle Jackson and Buddy Benton.

Dwayne's weather report week of January 31st to February 5th shows the highest temperature was

on February 2nd at 69 degrees; the lowest also on February 2nd at 23 degrees - no precip.

Paul Greenberg, in his editorial on Wednesday for the Arkansas Democrat-Gazette, dealt with a recent Federal Communication Commission Order (FCC order 99-393). The editorial was too lengthy for this space but quotes are shown in quotation marks - note there are some quotes within quotes.

Referring to the order 99-393 --"Some 43 paragraphs into the order, there's a section innocuously 'Additional Guidance. Rather than anything specific, like 'Gag Rule' ... from now on, religious stations will be henceforth and forthwith 50 per cent of their programming for 'educational, instructional, or cultural' purposes. And this new, faith-free zone may not include 'religious exhortation, proselytizing, or statements of per-

nembers will enjoy lunch together.

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sonally-held religious belief' ... and so the FCC quietly slipped this little edict into an order about the ownership of a broadcasting license. The only thing clear about this latest decree is its ani-mus toward the kind of religious programs that a lot of folks in this country get spiritual sustenance

Well, land o'Goshen, this is in the U.S. of A. - -not a communist China or Cuba, and there is this first amendment thing that speaks of freedom of speech and religious freedom

If memory serves right (some-times it does, even for old ladies) some years back there was a public outcry about the filth on T.V. The use of profanity, vulgarity, nudity, licentiousness was appalling.

Wasn't it this same FCC that refused to take any real action referring to the freedom of speech in this country?

Lake Depth--February 7, 2000--

by Dorothy Hudson

Out

At The Lake

Jim's Report: This is a drop of 1 4 inches for the month of January and leaves the Lake 28% full.

There were no campers this weekend. Catfish are now being caught; an 8 pound catfish was caught by a fisherman from Perryton. As far as is known, no one has been fishing for walleye. Last year in February the bridge was used by many who were fishing for crappie. Now one guard rail can be seen,

The Federal Clean Water Act requires the listing of any bodies of water that don't come up to the standard set by the Act. For the first time Lake Palo Duro has been placed on the list because of a possible problem with low dissolved oxygen. This could cause problems with aquatic life. We will hear more after the next samples of water are taken.

The Eastern Bluebirds only pent one day.. The mountain bluebirds are plentiful. Hiking through the cedar areas is a good way to see them. A pair of cardinals can sometimes be seen near the office. The bald eagles should be going into aerial displays soon so watch for them.

This morning Miles Gilbert, one of the co-authors of a book on Buffalo Hunters and Skinners, called from Arizona to get Bob Cator's date of birth. It made me

think of how little I had known about Bob Cator until I started seriously collecting Hansford County history. The. I found much written on him was wrong.

Soon I learned that Bob was a nick name and that his real name was Arthur John Locke Cator. When he served as sheriff (1890-1892) he signed his documents A. J. L. Cator. Born September 6, 1850 in Donegal, Ireland, Bob was the oldest of the sea captain Bertie Cator's seven children. Although English, he was born in Ireland at the home of his mother's parents while his father was away on an Arctic expedition.

Bob seemed to be the head and organizer of the buffalo hunting firm. Whereas we read that Jim, two years younger, killed 16,000 buffalo, nothing is written about how many Bob killed. He had a meat trade. Usually all we read is that the buffalo were shot, skinned and left to rot, but Bob and a few others, butchered out the choice cuts and tongues, which were smoked or put in brine, and then freighted to Dodge City or Granada in Colorado. Bob did much of the freighting. On the 1880 Census, Jim said he was Norman firm"

Married to Jennie Ludlow in August of 1882 at Dodge City, he lived in the county until 1892, when he Jennie, and their four children moved to Oak Ridge,

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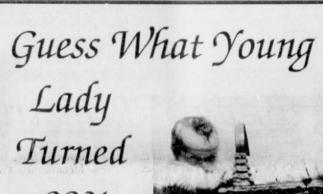
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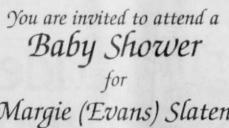
O'Loughlin Center at 659-3030. It was part of

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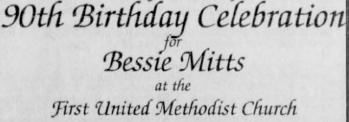


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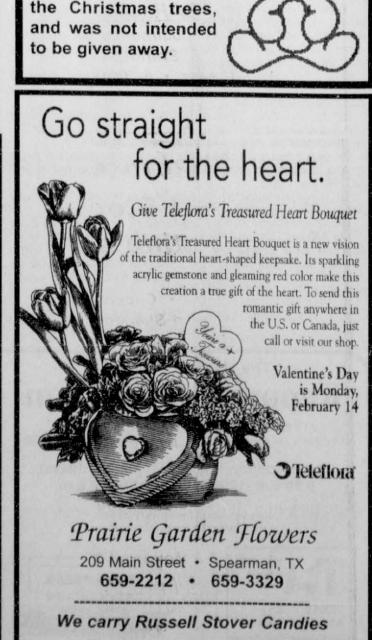
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Hounds Look Ahead

Keep your bags packed, and your car's tank full; it's basketball playoff time in Gruver!

Although Tuesday night's games were too late for this week's newspaper coverage, the GHS Hounds will definitely be in the playoffs. Coach Troy Seagler states that the Hounds will probably play Follett in the first round, possibly February 21 or 22. The Hounds will be involved in at least two practice games, possibly with Dimmitt, and then in a game or games in the Randall Playoff Classic.

The Lady Hounds will be out right district champs with a win over Booker on Tuesday night. A loss to Booker would result in a playoff game with either Shamrock or Wheeler for second place with the winner advancing.

Both the Hounds and Lady Hounds have enjoyed a year free of serious injuries which should help as they enter the playoffs. Minor illness has kept several Hounds on the sidelines for a game or two, but hopefully, that will abate with time.

City Water System Updated There was a change in the city water system last Thursday which went virtually unnoticed except in City Hall. At that time, the water system was completely computerized. The water system can now be monitored and controlled by com-

A twelve inch pipe is being laid this week to the new water well dug this summer at Seventh and Cator. A concrete pad and cover will be also be added. It will be approximately one month before the well will be incorporated into the Gruver water system.

The new water system computer showed the water level in the water storage level at 113.77 feet. Other interesting facts about the city water system - the stand pipe (cylindrical) water storage container holds 250,000 gallons of water while the traditional shaped water tower holds 50,000 gallons of water. The city uses approximately 150,000 gallons of water a day. The most ever used in a single day has been 1.1 million gallons.

School Dismissal Set

There will be no school in Gruver on Friday, February 11, 2000. School will resume on Monday, February 13, 2000.

Baby Jackson Makes Debut Michael Jackson III, who will be known as Tres, arrived February 6, 2000 to proud parents Michael and Anne (Potts) Jackson II.

Weighing seven pounds and two ounces, the little lad was 20 inches

Joe and Cathy Potts are Tres's grand parents.

Basketball Scoreboard Varsity Hounds Gruver 71, Hooker 60

The Hounds found a tough opponent Tuesday at Hooker. The Bulldogs had height, speed, and great shooting ability. The Hounds had a great first quarter and led by the score of 21 - 13. The game tightened with the third quarter score 48-45 Hounds, and several Hound posts in foul trouble. Good ball handling and free throw shooting in the fourth quarter carried the Hounds to victory. Hound Brady Hart did not see action due to ill-

Henson 11, Villalobos 6, Shoulders 2, Cone 6, Armes 15, Odom 17, Barkley 14.

Varsity Hounds 77, Shamrock

After a competitive game with the Irish in the first go-round, the Hounds shot the lights out Tuesday night in the second meeting of the

Hunt 2, Henson 4, Grotegut 2, Shoulders 8, Cone 6, Armes 9, Odom 12, Barkley 8, Schneider 2, Hart 2, Johnson 2

Junior Varsity Hounds (Black)

Gruver 52, Hooker 56 The JV Hounds met a feisty opponent at Hooker. At halftime, the Hounds had several players in foul trouble and were down 37-21. In the second half, the determined Hounds fought back to within two points late in the fourth quarter,

but just short in the final tally. Swink 10, Hernandez 10, Weller 15, Carthel 2, Harris 10, Salazar,

JV Hounds (Black) Gruver 50, Shamrock 61

With size and speed, the Irish topped the Hounds in their first meeting. The Hounds were in a see-saw battle with Shamrock for three quarters before letting them slip by in the fourth.

Ehrenberg 2, Swink 8, Stewart 6, Hernandez 7, Weller 4, Carthel 7, Harris 9, Salazar 5, Clift 2.

Junior Varsity Hounds (Red) Gruver 39, WT High 48 (January 31) Schmidt 1, Bevill 4, Casdorph 2, E. Lopez 7, Munoz 5, Perez 6, Duggan 12, Boyd 2.

WT Tourney

JV Red 41, Spearman 50 Schmidt 7, Bevill 2, G. Lopez 3, Casdorph 2, Cruz 2, Howe 16, Goad 2, Duggan 1, Boyd 4, Perez

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Lopez 5, Howe 17, Goad 2, Munoz

WT Tourney

JV Red 45, Fritch 46 Schmidt 9, Bevill 4, G. Lopez 2, E. Lopez 3, Howe 17, Goad 8,

> **Eighth Grade Boys** Gruver Tourney

Gruver 27, Perryton 54 Borunda 4, Weldon 4, Puebla 6, Sherrill 2, Luciano 8, Clawson 1,

Gruver 32, Spearman 27 Borunda 9, Weldon 5, Puebla 7, Sherrill 2, Luciano 5, Slough 4.

Gruver 50, Shamrock 45 Borunda 4, Weldon 13, Puebla 15, Sherrill 3, Luciano 11, Slough

Seventh Grade Boys Gruver Tourney

Gruver 25, Perryton 52 Garret 2, Williams 3, Winger 12,

Gruver 23, Spearman 17 Garret 4, Irwin 2, Williams 4, Winger 4, Cooper 5, TeBeest 4.

Lady Hounds 30, Hooker 55 Good shooting and speed work for the Lady Bulldogs in overcoming the Lady Hounds.

A. Watley 5, Griffin 4, Johnson, Holt, Stavlo 10, Mayhew 10.

Lady Hounds 61 Shamrock 43 Looking nothing like the first game when the Lady Irish beat the Lady Hounds in the final four seconds of play; Gruver dances their way to victory.

J. Watley 8, A Watley 12, Griffin 13, Johnson 14, Stavlo 14.

Junior Varsity Lady Hounds Gruver 16, Hooker 14 in an abbreviated game of only

two quarter, the JV Ladies best the

Jones 2, Christian 2, Clift 4, Swink 2, Johnson 2, Bass 4,

West Texas Tourney JV Lady Hounds 28, Boys

Ranch 39 Jones 1, Christian 3, Clift 4, Swink 3, Perez 4, Bass 10

WT Tourney Gruver 19, WT High 28 Christian 1, Clift 5, Swink 3, Perez 3, Bass 9.

Gruver 29, Fritch 5 Jones 2, Christian 3, Clift 6, Swink 5, Perez 13, Johnson 9, Shoulders 2, Bass 6.

Eighth Grade Girls Gruver 63, Shamrock 21 Armes 7, Hart 6, Myatt 15, Goad 23, Bryson 12.

Seventh Grade Girls Gruver 57, Shamrock 9 Reid 8, Finley 10, Grotegut 19, Burnam 8, Huerta 12

Senior Hounds, Lady Hounds Honored

Eleven seniors and their parents were honored in ceremonies during intermission of the home basketball game on Friday night.

Playing their last game in Greyhound Gym were senior Annie Mayhew, daughter of Roy and Debby Mayhew; Leah Shuits, daughter of Danny and Peggy Shults; Janae Watley, daughter of Andy and Shelia Watley; Sean Cone, son of Molly Cone and Steve Cone; Dallas Henson, son of Danny and Mary Jane Henson; Bray Armes, son of David and Kelly Armes; Kyler Barkley, son of Rick Barkley and Peggy Bennett; Dan Odom, son of Jerry Hunt and Glenna Harris; and Derik Grotegut, son of David and Ginny Grotegut. Senior cheerleader Becky Cassady, daughter of Monty and Pam Cassady, was also recog-

Junior High Students Recognized

Twelve Gruver Junior high students have qualified in this year's talent search by Duke University's Talent Identification Program for mathematically and verbally advanced students.

To be eligible students must have a qualifying score based on the TAAS taken in the sixth grade. These students will take the SAT or ACT assessment normally taken only by college-bound juniors and seniors. Many of these students score as well as or better than average college-bound seniors on these measures. All participants receive a certificate of merit, and some students become eligible for statewide recognition ceremonies or a variety of educational programs.

Identified from Gruver are Brock Irwin, Lance Williams, Patricia Gaspar, Laina Grotegut, Chris Abernathy, Ryan Winger, Brittany Osbourne, Ben Williams. Ryan Renick, and Mark TeBeest.

Student Council Plans **Pennies for Patients**

The student council of GHS is participating in the Pennies for Patients program of the Leukemia Society of America in a special drive February 7 - February 25,

Jars for penny collection will be placed in all three school campus-

Last year over \$225,000 was raised for support programs for patients and scientific research. This year's goal is to raise \$400,000 for the area.

The collection is an excellent opportunity to donate that jar of pennies in the closet to a worthy cause and help the class of your choice win a pizza party in the

Condolences Extended

Former Gruver resident Danny Wilson, brother of Benny Wilson, died last week. Funeral services were conducted on Saturday with burial in Guymon. Danny and his family were former residents of Gruver. He was married to Jo Arthur, daughter of Merle Arthur.

Gruver to Host County Stock

The annual Hansford County Stock Show will kickoff at 9 a.m. on Friday, February 11 in the Gruver County Barn. Lambs will be judged first, followed by steers. The swine show will begin at 8 a.m. on Saturday, February 12. The sale of animals will be held at 6:30 p.m., also in the Gruver County Barn. Come enjoy the show and sample the delicious 4-H food

Get Well Wishes

Wes Maupin has returned home and was able to attend church services Sunday

Both Wes and J. C. Harris began radiation treatments in Amarillo on Monday. The treatments are scheduled for Monday through Friday for several weeks

Charmain Lyle suffered a broken arm Sunday in a fall at Hansford Manor where she has resided for about six weeks.

Jeanette (Bort) Vigna was hospitalized last week after suffering a mild stroke. She was scheduled to be released on February 7, when nausea symptoms returned. Hopefully, she will be home from Baptist St. Anthony's Hospital by this printing.

Phylis Rasor was hospitalized in Denver last week where she had gone for pulmonary testing.

Ed Rafferty is at now at home following hip surgery.

Jean Holland is gaining strength following a bout of pneumonia.

Former Resident on Interview

A lovely young teen, Maggie Koons, was featured in an interview last week by an Amarillo news station on teens "shadowing" occupations of their interests. Maggie, the daughter of Lyle and Nancy Koons of Amarillo, lived the first years of her life in Gruver.

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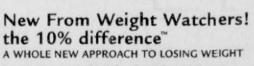
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Spearman Basketball

The Canadian Wildcats came to town Friday night and as usual it was another cat fight. Before the game began, Blayne Schroeder and Jessica Bueno sang the National Anthem. These two kids are in the first grade and they did a super job! After they sang, the crowd gave them a standing ovation which was well deserved. Great job Blayne and Jessica! The Larvettes were needing a win to assure themselves of a tie for the district Lynxettes were needing a win to assure themselves of a tie for the district championship. Spearman got off to a bad? start giving Canadian a 19-3 lead after the first quarter. The Lynxettes looked like they were going to get blown out of the gym, but they came back strong. In fact, they came back and took the lead twice in the second half, but ended up falling short 50-46. They did a super job and need to be commended for their effort because this was a great ball game. The Lynxettes will be playing for the second and third seed at Stratford Tuesday night This is a big ball game for the Lynxettes because they need a win to secure second in district and go into the play offs on a winning note.

The Lynx played the Wildcats close the first half, but Canadian ended

pulling away in the second half. Canadian has a good ball team and deserves the credit for winning. Canadian ended up winning the game 56-37. The Lynx are out of the play off race, but I guarantee you they will want to beat Stratford Tuesday night as this is the last game of the season and the last game forever for the seniors.

The JV Lynxettes had a tough game against the Lady Wildcats. They ended up winning 32-28 in a game that was close the whole way. The JV Lynx had an easy time against the Canadian JV as they won 56-37.

Date: 1-28-2000		nxettes Spearma		Recor	rd: 20-4 (4-1)
Score by Quarters	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Final
Lynxettes	5	12	10	6	33
Sunray	5	3	7	8	23

Coach's Comments: We played real good aggressive defense the whole night. Our effort was good on that end. We combined too many turnovers and bad free throw shooting into a struggle on offense. We wanted to score so bad we rushed some things. Execution and defense will be the keys in the remaining district games.

te: 2-1-2000	Place: Stinnett			Record: 21-4 (5-1)		
ore by Quarters	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Final	
nxettes	5	23	10	18	56	
est Texas	6	10	9	15	40	
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but we hustled our way into some good plays. We did not shoot free throws very well the first half, but the second half we did better. The 2nd quarter was real good (our 23 points to their 10). We will work on shooting and blockouts this week. Canadian at home Friday is a huge game. Canadian will win district if they win. We could guarantee a tie for dis-

Date: 2-4-2000	Place: Spearman			Record: 21-5 (5-2)		
Score by Quarters	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Final	
Lynxettes	1	16	13	16	46	
Canadian	17	8	12	13	50	

Coach's Comments: We dug ourselves a hole early, but got back into the game by halftime. We missed some blockouts on some crucial possessions when they did happen to miss some shots. These girls play with alot of heart and character and that kept us alive in the game tonight. We will need to attack Stratford on both offense and defense to win Tuesday.

		Lynx			
Date: 1-25-2000	Place:	Boys Ran	ch	Record	i: 8-14
Score by Quarters	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Final
Lynx	9	10	16	12	47
Boys Ranch	16	7	18	7	48
Date: 1-28-2000	Place:	Spearman		Record	1: 9-14
Score by Quarters	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Final
Lynx	17	20	16	11	64
Sunray	11	8	9	17	45
Date: 2-1-2000	Place:	Stinnett		Recor	d: 9-15
Score by Quarters	Ist	2nd	3rd	4th	Final
Lynx	18	19	0	17	54
West Texas	19	9	14	21	63
Date: 2-4-2000	Place:	Spearman		Recon	d: 9-16
Score by Quarters	Ist	2nd	3rd	4th	Final
Lynx	14	11	14	19	58
Canadian	12	22	26	18	78
	J	V Lynx			
Date: 2-1-2000		Stinnett		Recor	d: 14-5
Score by Quarters	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Final
Lynx	9	9	10	12	41
West Texas	15	5	18	15	53
Date: 2-4-2000	Place:	Spearman		Recor	d: 15-5
Score by Quarters	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Final
Lynx	17	12	13	16	58
Canadian	6	8	5	16	35
	JV	Lynxet	tes		
Date: 1-28-2000		Spearmar		Recor	d: 17-8
Score by Quarters	Ist	2nd	3rd	4th	Final
Lynxettes JV	8	12	15	22	57
Sunray JV	10	1	12	13	36

Coach's Comments: A big 2nd quarter and a big 4th quarter made the difference vs. Sunray. Our press frustrated them at times. Four Lynxettes were in double figures in scoring while the team reached the 70% free throw goal they strive for

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Place: West Texas Record: 18-8 Final 2nd 9 4th Score by Quarters Lynxettes JV

Coach's Comments: The girls did a good job in the second half of running the floor and creating easy baskets. We also shot free throws much better in the second half, we must pick up defensive intensity in the half court set

Date: 2-4-2000	Place: Spearman			Record: 19-8		
Score by Quarters	lst	2nd	3rd	4th	Final	
Lynxettes JV	11	5	4	12	32	
CanadianJV	12	3	8	5	28	

Coach's Comments: In the first half we did not do a good job of reading defenders. We made poor passes which resulted in turnovers. The girls did much better in that area in the second half. The game was decided at the free throw line. Both teams had the same number of field goals, we just shot more free throws than they did. Good job girls--70% from the free throw line!

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Date: 1-29-2000	Place:	Record: 7-7				
Score by Quarters	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Final	
Lynx	9	16	39	56	56	
Gruver	7	20	29	45	45	
Date: 1-31-2000	Place:	Spearman		Record	Record: 7-8	
core by Quarters	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Final	
Lynx	2	9	5	5	21	
Canadian	10	4	8	8	30	
Date: 2-3-2000	Place: West Texas Tourney		Record: 8-8			
Score by Quarters	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Final	
Lynx	19	31	37	53	53	
Gruver	5	15	30	41	41	
Date: 2-4-2000	Place:	West Tex:	as Tourney	Record	d: 9-8	
Score by Quarters	Ist	2nd	3rd	4th	Final	
Lynx	9	20	28	38	38	
Fritch	2	9	20	36	36	
Date: 2-5-2000	Place:	West Texa	as Tourney	Record	d: 9-9	
Score by Quarters	lst	2nd	3rd	4th	Final	
Lynx	10	24	31	46	46	
and and	100		100			

	Freshm	ien Lyn	xettes		
Date: 1-31-2000	Place:	Canadian	Season Record:6-7		
Score by Quarters	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Final
vnxettes	2	1	5	5	13
Canadian	9	4	7	6	26
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Coach's Comments: The girls did a much better job in the second half of looking to score. We were a little more aggressive offensively. The first half score was 13-3. The score of the 3rd and 4th quarters alone was 13-10, so we improved as the game went on. This was the last freshman game of the year due to Stratford canceling the freshman game. The freshman girls have worked hard to improve all year and deserve a "pat on the back". Good job girls!

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Saturday's schedule is as follows: 8:00 a.m. - Swine show; 1:00 p.m. - judging contest 6:30PM - floor prices will be auctioned, with the presentation of Showmanship and Commercial Steer Awards. Immediately following the presentation of awards, the auction will begin. The sell order will be - lamb, swine and

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Working through HIS KIDS Adoptions International, the Stalcups chose the country of Cambodia to seek a child for adoption. Having been closed to adoption since August 12, 1991, Cambodia recently began to allow adoptions. The Stalcups were particularly attracted to Cambodia since it allowed the adoption of the youngest infants in orphanages in contrast to other foreign countries.

In August, the Stalcups received word that a child was waiting for them. As they flew to Cambodia they reviewed what they had learned of the country but even then were surprised. The conditions they found their sonto-be, Jack Avery, were even more deplorable than they had imagined. Housed in an old, dilapidated building without electricity, the orphanage was a bleak residence. Attendants were very young, and babies were not even diapered since there was no money for

posable ones, and no laundry washing cloth ones. The Stalcups also noticed the blank stare of the young children there; the lack of light and love seemed to stare at them as they made eye contact.

Little Jack would be more fortunate; he would be housed in a small woven basket in his new parents' Cambodian hotel room surrounded by love as his parents made plans to return home. He would live in a small town in Kansas where he could play safely in his yard without fear of coming in contact with one of more than a million land mines still buried in his country. He could soon breathe fresh hair rather than the continual stench, his malnutrition would heal with proper food, he would learn to read, and most of all, he would be part of a loving

Jack Avery will be celebrating his first Valentine's Day on Monday. He won't know much about paper hearts and lacy sentiments, but he will know love - the essence of Valentine's Day.



Don Stalcup and his wife Linda, formerly of Spearman, show their child, Jack Avery, Cambodia, his birthplace,, on the map.

Breast Cancer Screening Clinic

The Women's Center of the Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer Center and Baptist St. Anthony's Health System in conjunction with Hansford County Hospital will conduct a Breast Cancer Screening Clinic at 712 South Roland, in Spearman on February 28, 2000.

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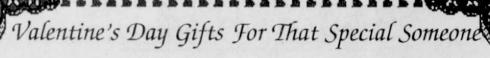
mammogram and performing a breast selfexam each month. Participants will receive a low-cost screening mammogram. Each woman screened will receive a breast health risk appraisal and individual instruction by a registered nurse in breast self-examination. Funding is available through the Texas Department of Health for Texas residents who qualify for assistance. All exams are done by appointment only -a., (806) 356-1905 or toll free 1-800-377-4673 for more information.



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