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Pheasant Hunt Raffle

The O'Loughlin Center is raffling off a Pheasant Hunt package. This is a Package B, "The Wild Hunt" offered by Lonestar Outfitters. A guided hunt with bird dogs on the Lonestar Outfitters Upland Game Hunting Preserve near Perryton.

The winner will receive an all-day hunt for up to four hunters with a 5 cock per hunter limit, valued at \$600, to be scheduled at the winner's convenience. The drawing will be held on Friday, October 3, 2003.

The cost of tickets is \$10 and can be purchased at The O'Loughlin Center, 502 S. Brandt in Spearman.

For more information on other packages offered by Lonestar Outfitters, go to www.lsonestartfitters.com or call Ben Butler at (806) 435-2503 or (806) 898-7685, mobile. For more information on the raffle or how to purchase tickets, call (806) 659-3030.

Proceeds will benefit The O'Loughlin Center in Spearman.

Human Cases Of West Nile Virus Confirmed In Hansford County

Hansford County Judge Jim Brown received a phone call from Dr. Alexander of the Texas Department of Health in Lubbock on Wednesday, September 17th confirming two human cases of West Nile Virus in Hansford County.

A bird tested positive for West Nile Virus in July of 2003 and a horse tested positive in August.

West Nile Virus in Texas, 2003

Sample Type	Cases	Counties
Bird	358	61
Human	221	51
Mosquito	478	36
Horse	232	97
Total	1289	*133

8 West Nile Human fatalities have been reported during 2003. * West Nile Virus may be found in multiple sources in the same county. Database Updated: 9/23/03

State Health Commissioner Urges Personal Protection Against West Nile

Texas Commissioner of Health Eduardo Sanchez is urging Texans to reduce their risk of getting the mosquito-borne West Nile virus by "remembering the four D's: drain, dress, DEET and dusk/dawn."

Sanchez, head of the Texas Department of Health, said residents should:

* Drain standing water around their homes to reduce mosquito hatching grounds.

* Dress in pants and long sleeves when outside in mosquito-infested areas, but avoid becoming too hot.

* Apply an insect repellent that contains DEET (N,N-

diethyl-m-toluamide) to exposed skin and to clothing when outdoors.

* Stay indoors at dusk and dawn, when mosquitoes are most active.

Sanchez stressed that every mosquito bite does not cause illness.

"Very few mosquitoes carry the virus, and less than 1 percent of the bites from mosquitoes that do have the virus actually cause serious illness," he said.

"But we've had West Nile illness in Texas, and it's a good idea to reduce the low risk even further by eliminating mosquito hatching grounds and by minimizing

exposure to mosquitoes."

In 2002, the first year that West Nile virus was detected in Texas, there were 202 human cases of serious West Nile illness. Thirteen of the 202 died. The virus was detected in mosquitoes, birds, horses or humans in 213 of Texas' 254 counties.

Mosquitoes get the virus when they bite infected birds. They then can transmit it to other animals and humans.

More information, including a West Nile education packet and surveillance statistics, is available online at www.tdh.state.tx.us.



Samantha Hargus

Hargus To Participate In 'Distinguished Youth of Texas' Scholarship, Recognition Program

Samantha Hargus of Farnsworth will participate in the "Distinguished Youth of Texas Scholarship and Recognition Program," November 28-30, 2003 in Austin.

Each candidate will be recognized on stage during the preliminary event with a trophy for state qualification.

Two Texas students will receive a \$1,000 U.S. Savings Bond and the right to serve as a State Program Titleholder for one year. In addition, both winners will receive \$250 to present to their respective schools from the Distinguished Youth of America Program. In all, more than \$5,000 in awards and prizes will be presented to various participants, according to a news release.

Runners-Up in each division will receive Educational Savings bonds of different values. Thirty other candidates will be honored with trophies for their achievements in the various areas, including grade division awards (grade 2 through 7) and for high scores in each of the judging categories. Winners in each of the optional competitions will receive trophies. All award winners will be presented on stage.

The judging criteria used to select the two state titleholders includes the following: scholastic record (30%); service to school and community (30%); interview (25%) and personality projection (15%).

The Program Finals will culminate in the naming of the new Young Miss of Texas and Little Miss of Texas on Sunday, November 30th.

Samantha was nominated based on her TAKS scores and academic excellence throughout her school years.

She is seeking sponsors to help defray costs of the trip. If you are interested in making a donation, please call Rene Griffin at 659-3392 or The Hansford County Reporter-Statesman at 659-3434.

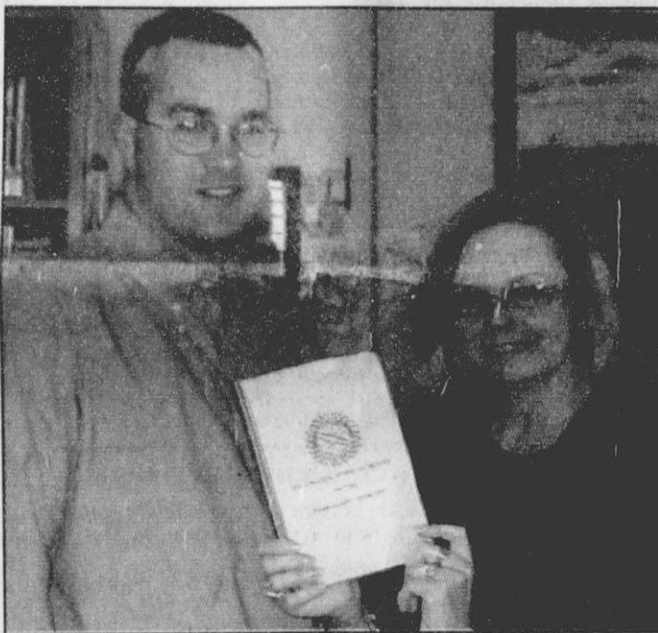
Samantha, the daughter of Tina Smith of Farnsworth, is a fourth grader at Gus Birdwell Elementary in Spearman.

Lynx Band Selling Varsity Gold Discount Cards

Spearman High School Band members are selling Varsity Gold Discount cards again this year with many local merchants participating. In addition to the discounts listed on the back of the card, there is an access code also listed so you may go online to find more discounts. These are available from places all over the state.

The students will be taking orders through Friday, September 26th. The cards sell for \$10.00 each and are good for one year. They can be used over and over again for the full year. If you are not contacted but would like a card, please call Anna Marie Holland at 659-2584 or 659-2563, or call the Reporter-Statesman office at 659-3434.

Local Participating merchants are: **Amigo's Cafe** - Free appetizer w/ purchase of two dinner entrees. Good for 10 visits.; **Dairy Queen** - Free small sundae w/purchase of any combo meal; **J&M Service Center** - 15% off all full service oil changes; **All Occasion Flowers** - 15% of all non-sale purchases (pick up only); **Prairie Garden Flowers** - 15% of all purchases (pick up only); **Celebrate** - 10% off all in stock merchandise; **Dreamer's Salon** - \$3 off perms and \$3 off a set of acrylic nails; **Jeanette Sweet Creation's** - \$2 off any birthday or anniversary cake; **Panhandle Diner and Deli** - Purchase one bit-cake or pie and get second for 1/2 price; **Tong's Chinese Restaurant** - purchase one entree or buffet, get the second 10% off; **Simple Simon's** - Purchase a stromboli or calzone and get 15% off any sandwich; **Pizza Hut** - 15% off total purchase; **Shawn Tevis Photography** - Free 8x10 w/purchase of any package; **UVE Been Framed** - 35% off total purchase; **Jessica Lynn Photography** - Free 8x10 with \$50 purchase or more (Valid one time); **Impressions Boutique** - 10% discount Prom Dress or Tuxedo rental (Valid one time); **Gators Sports and Apparel** - 25% off any one non-sale item (Valid one time); **Taco Bell** - Free Burrito Supreme w/purchase of Burrito Supreme (Borger); and **Taco Bell** - Free Mexican pizza w/purchase of Mexican Pizza (Borger).



Jason Cantrell, President of Spearman Rotary Club, presents Hansford County Librarian Sherry Benton with a book on Rotary History in District 5730. District Governor, Howard Mercer, brought the book to Spearman on his annual visit. The Rotary Club is a long-standing supporter of Hansford County Library, making an annual donation.

Students Donate Books To Spearman High School Library

We've all heard the saying, "It's better to give than to receive." There is no doubt getting a gift is nice. Giving though can be just as rewarding. It doesn't have to be anything elaborate or expensive. Sometimes the smallest gifts we give are the most welcome. Sometimes a gift of time is the most welcome.

The Spearman High School Forensic Team, and Drama Team, *Way off Broadway and Company*, has recently collected over 500 books for the High School Library. Students at SHS have given the gift of time. As members of the competing SHS Forensics squad, the students have collected books and resource materials from as far away as Dallas, Lubbock and Austin. "It has been a great way to get involved with the community," said Mr. Sidwell, team sponsor. "We have learned many things about books and biographies. We have also made new friends as we have collected books from bookstores and sales across the state. My students have had the satisfaction of helping someone."

Volunteer hours are required for many university and colleges throughout the United States and there are now scholarships available to students who have shown a tremendous propensity to help others through volunteering. "There are many and diverse ways to volunteer in our modern age. Whether it's the environment, health care, reading to elementary students or the blind, art or working with other students (peer tutoring) or the elderly, there are ways you can become involved and have some fun,

too!" said Sidwell. "My students have grown through this experience."

Russell Sheets, forensic team co-president, said, "It was fun just rummaging through the shelves and picking out books at the Half Price Bookstore in Dallas when we were attending the State Meet for Student Congress."

In a day and age in which students and adults feel too busy, volunteers can accomplish meaningful events that money can't. It may even add more meaning to one's life. Michel Huffaker, president of the Drama Troupe, remarked, "At State One-Act Play in Austin, we had a blast trying to figure out how we were going to get all the books we had collected home." A couple of extra bags piled full of books made their way to Spearman by way of Southwest Airlines. Volunteering can be personally rewarding.

Working hand-in-hand with the school has its advantages. It keeps costs low and acknowledges the value of the volunteer. A sacrifice of time benefits the school and makes education more valuable to the child. "It was fun scavenging through hundreds of books in Austin while serving on the State Honor Crew," said Michael Lozano.

Volunteering builds relationships, recognizes credibility and inspires others to participate. Achievements do not have to be enormous to be satisfying. Cristal Alvarado says very simply, "It is worth the experience - volunteer! I encourage anyone to sacrifice their time and give to others."



(L-R) Michael Lozano, Cristal Alvarado, Russell Sheets and Michel Huffaker gathered over 500 books for the Spearman High School Library during the past year.

Cunningham Named TRTA District 16 President

The Texas Retired Teachers Association (TRTA) 2003 Summer District Presidents Leadership Training Conference was held July 13-16 at the Inn of the Hills Resort and Conference Center in Kerrville, TX.

Spearman resident James Cunningham, TRTA District 16 president, attended the Conference to receive training on TRTA structure, operations and bylaws. Training enables the District Presidents to return to their areas and better serve the members and local units that comprise their Districts.

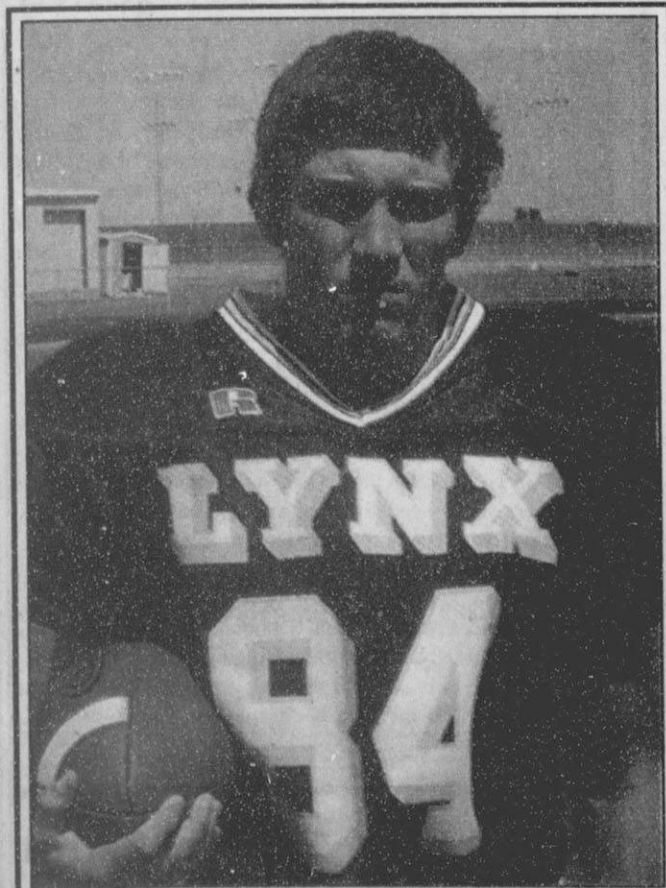
Training also included a presentation from Ronnie Jung and Pattie Featherston of the Teacher Retirement System, letting the District Presidents know what they and their members should expect in the way of TRS annuities and health care premiums in the next biennium, as well as changes adopted by the 78th Legislature.

Founded in 1953, TRTA is the



James Cunningham

largest association for retired public school and higher education employees and now ranks #1 in membership in the nation. TRTA members continue to be involved in local public school education and in the well-being of their communities. In June 2003, there were 256 local units and a total membership of over 55,343.



SHS 2003 Homecoming King

Chris Cudd was crowned the 2003 Spearman High School Homecoming King. Chris, a senior at Spearman High School, is the son of Mike and Pat Cudd of Spearman.

Live, Laugh & Love



by Catherine R. Smith
CathyRSmit@aol.com

I received the following from my Aunt Connie Watkins, who is definitely one of my "keepers." I really enjoyed it and thought you might, too. Share it with all the "keepers" in your life.

Dear Keeper

I grew up with practical parents -- a mother, God love her, who washed aluminum foil after she cooked in it, then reused it. She was the original recycle queen, before they had a name for it.

A father who was happier getting old shoes fixed than buying new ones.

Their marriage was good, their dreams focused. Their best friends lived barely a wave away. I can see them now.

It was the time for fixing things -- a curtain rod, screen door, the oven door, the hem in a dress. Things we keep.

It was a way of life, and sometimes it made me crazy.

All that re-fixing, reheating, renewing -- I wanted just once to be wasteful.

Waste meant affluence. Throwing things away meant you knew there'd always be more.

But then my Mother died, and on that clear summer's night, in the warmth of the hospital room, I was struck with the pain of learning that sometimes there isn't any 'more.'

Sometimes, what we care about most gets all used up and goes away ... never to return.

So, while we have it, it's best we love it, and care for it, and fix it when it's broken, and heal it when it's sick.

This is true for marriage, and old cars, and children with bad report cards, and dogs with bad hips, and aging parents, and grandparents.

We keep them because they are worth it, because we are worth it.

Some things we keep.

Like a best friend that moved away -- or -- a classmate we grew up with.

There are just some things that make life important, like people we know who are special and so, we keep them close!

May God bless and keep you;

May He make his face to shine upon you, and be gracious to you; May the Lord lift up is countenance upon you, and give you peace.

Numbers 6:24-26

Catherine :)

SCHOOL NEWS

Gruver Elementary

Save those Campbell's Soup labels and General Mills boxtops for Education.

A collection bag for the soup labels is located by the elementary office door. The collection box for General Mills labels across from the elementary office door.

Elementary classes will be visited by their adopted varsity Greyhounds Thursday morning, September 25th

Classes will also be making spirit posters and signs for their player for the Homecoming pep rally.

The St. Jude's Bike A Thon held Saturday netted in excess of \$700 dollars for St. Jude's Children's Hospital.

The first six weeks ends September 26. Reports cards will be issued Thursday, October 2.

Gruver Jr. High School News

The Junior High Hounds will travel to White Deer Thursday, September 25, for a 5 p.m. game.

The Junior High Hounds fell in a 6-12 game with Vega Thursday, September 18.

Thomas Madden ran for the Hounds' lone touchdown.

Reports cards will be issued Thursday, October 2.

Class officers have been elected at Gruver Junior High.

Fifth Grade: President Mariela Barrera, vice president Cambry Cooper, and secretary Mary Hart

Sixth grade: President Gage Parker, vice president Parker Grotegut, and secretary Riley Urban.

Seventh grade: President Lynn Vela, vice president Miles Messer, and secretary Taylor Williams.

Eighth grade: President Yadira Garcia, vice president Emily Williams, and secretary Chandler Miner.

Gruver High School News

Officers have been selected for the 2003-2004 school year by the FCCLA.

They include: president Diana Lopez, vice president Lucy Trejo, secretary Cynthia Briones, treasurer Dimina Cruz, reporter Allison Reid, and co-historians Madeline Reed and Lindsey Clift.

Committee chairpersons are social - Mattie Wheelock and Yadira Borunda, ways and means - Jessica Vela, and service - Tabitha Crow and Maria Ruiz.

Rachelle Holt won the all-around girls title at the Wellington High School Rodeo over the weekend.

Students taking the ACT test in Gruver on Saturday, September 27, are urged to arrive at the school cafeteria between 7:30 and 7:45 a.m. for the 8:00 test.

Several Gruver FFA students attended the annual Greenhand Conference held in Canadian September 9. Those who attended were Timber Barkley, Drew Grotegut, Brian Johnson, Jimmie Lee McCloy, Travis McDowell, Colby Red, Sammy Pena, T Jay Sherrill, Charlie Slough, and Victoria Vela.

Colby Red, the Top O Texas District President and T Jay Sherrill, the Area I Vice President, helped to produce workshops that were related to leadership and team work.

The junior varsity will travel to White Deer for a Thursday, September 25 meeting with the Bucks.

The varsity Hounds will have an open date Friday, October 3 before beginning district play against the Stratford Elks on October 10 at Stratford.

Open house for high school parents will be Tuesday, September 30 from 6:30 - 7:30 in high school library. Reports cards will be issued to parents during the open house.

A school holiday is slated for Monday, October 13.

Gus Birdwell Elementary News

Pizza Hut will give a portion of the nightly proceeds of Thursday, September 25, from 5 p.m. to close, to Gus Birdwell Elementary PTO.

A form is needed. If you do not have one, they may be obtained at the elementary office.

Parent/teacher conferences are planned for Wednesday, October 1, and Thursday, October 2, with students being dismissed at 1:00 p.m. each day.

Buses will run at the regular time.

Entries are being sought for the 5K Fun Run Walk which will be held October 4, as a fund raiser Gus Birdwell Elementary. Contact person is KC Garnett or Cindy Blackman. Early bird registration deadline has been extended until Friday, September 26th.

Spearman Jr. High School News

A pep rally is scheduled for 3:00 p.m. in the junior high gym.

The junior high Lynx will be hosting Panhandle Thursday, with games beginning at 5:00 p.m.

Friday, September 26, will be Spirit Day at the junior high. It will also be Twinkies Day with students dressing as twins.

A school holiday is slated for Monday, October 13.

Spearman High School School News

The junior varsity Lynx will be at home Thursday, September 25, for an 8 p.m. clash with the Panhandle Panthers.

Retakes of school pictures is slated for Friday, September 26.

The FFA Meat Sale will continue through September 26.

The Varsity Lynx will travel to Panhandle on Friday, September 26, to play the Panhandle Panthers with a 7:30 p.m. kick-off.

The SHS Band will sell Varsity Gold Discount Cards through September 26. Cards cost \$10 each. For more information contact Mrs. Holland at Spearman High School or Cathy Smith at 659-3434.

The Spearman Lynx Band will be hosting their annual Mexican Dinner on Friday, October 3, from 5-7 p.m. in the high school cafeteria. Tickets are \$5 each for adults, \$3.50 for children 10 and under, and children under 3 eat free.

The FCCLA will be hosting their annual potato supper Friday, October 3, at 6:00 p.m. in the high school cafeteria.

There will be a school holiday Monday, October 13.

Pringle-Morse School News

The gifted and talented for language arts will have club day on Friday, September 26.

Report cards will go out October 1.

An early dismissal at noon on Friday, October 10 will precede a October 13 school holiday. School resume at the usual time Tuesday, October 14.

HANSFORD HAPPENINGS

Local Church Seeks Support in MS Walk

Primera Iglesia Bautista of Spearman will be aiding the National Sclerosis Society by joining in its annual walk effort to raise funds. Members of the church participating in a six-mile walk September 27, 2003 in Dumas are seeking sponsorship pledges from Hansford County residents. Those interested in joining the effort the conquer Multiple Sclerosis may contact Sally Vaquera 659-5035, Margie Vaquera 664-5594 or Primera Iglesia Bautista 659-3991.

Storytime at Hansford County Library

Beginning Thursday, October 2nd, and running through Thursday, November 20th, Hansford County Library will host a storytime for children who are three years old up to five years old, but not attending kindergarten. This storytime will be held in the library each Thursday morning from 11 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. There is no charge for this service and no prior sign-up is necessary. If you have any questions about our storytime, please call the library at 659-2231 between 10 a.m. and 6 p.m. weekdays.

Adult English Classes Offered in Gruver

Adult English Classes will continue Thursday nights from 7:00 - 9:30 p.m. in the Gruver Junior High, 600 Garrett St. Classes begin October 2, 2003.

Clases de Ingles para Adultos

Las Clases de ingles van a continuar el jueves de las 7:00 - 9:30 p.m. Estaremos en la escuela jr. high de Gruver en la calle 600 Garrett. la Clase comienza el 2 de octubre 2003.

5K Family Fun Walk/Run

A 5K Family Fun Walk/Run, presented by Gus Birdwell PTO, will be held on Saturday, October 4, 2003. Entry forms are available at Gus Birdwell Elementary or from any PTO member. For more information, contact Cindy Blackman at 659-3233. All participants will receive a race T-shirt. The race will begin at Esca Park and will finish at the High School track. Early bird registration is due by September 26th (\$10 for adult, \$7 for child under 12, \$30 for family up to 4); Registration deadline is September 26th (\$12 for adult, \$8 for children under 12, and \$35 for family up to 4); Race Day Registration will begin at 8 a.m. on October 4th (\$14 for adult, \$9 for children under 12, and \$40 for family up to 4).

Annual Nut Sale

The Holt Community TEEA will host their Annual Nut Sale through October 15th. Anyone wishing to purchase Cashews (\$4.57/lb.), Pecans (\$5/lb.) or Walnuts (\$4/lb.) should contact Ruth Ann Jones at 659-3486. Money must accompany order. Get with friends and order a case together - minimum order is 6 pounds.

"A Feast with Friends" Cookbook

"A Feast with Friends" cookbook, compiled by the Harrington Cancer Center Circle of Friends, is being sold by Jenna McElroy. Profits from the book will go to the Circle of Friends to assist cancer patients and their families in their time of need. The cost of the ring-bound recipe collection is \$15. Call Jenna at 659-2365 or 659-2617 for more information, or to place an order.

Register Tapes for Education

The Gus Birdwell Elementary PTO is proud to announce that they are saving register tapes for educational equipment. Register tapes can be collected from any Lowe's store and redeemed toward valuable educational equipment such as computers, science, band or sports equipment and more. The program kicked off on September 1, 2003 and register tapes can be collected until March 31, 2004. The students and faculty of Gus Birdwell Elementary would appreciate your support by saving your register tapes from Lowe's in order to help them receive their needed equipment. Register tapes may be taken to the Elementary Office.

Senior Citizen's Book Exchange

For those who are 55 or older and are tired of reading the same old book, come to the Golden Spread Center and exchange your book for something more exciting. Don't have a book to exchange? That's okay, come and get one any way. We have mysteries, biographies, romance, Christian books, you name it, we've got it! 9 a.m. - 4 p.m., Golden Spread Center, The O'Loughlin Center, 502 Brandt, 659-3030 Donations appreciated.

Flu Shots To Be Given In Gruver

Flu shots will be administered at the Golden Age Center in Gruver Thursday, October 9, 2003 from 9 a.m. - 12 p.m. The shots will be free for those with Medicare cards and \$20 without.

Book Club To Organize

An organizational meeting of those interested in forming a book club will be held Monday, October 6, at 5:00 p.m. in the Hansford County Library.

If you wish to participate but cannot attend the meeting, please call the library at 659-2231 to have you name added to the list.

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Employee of the Month



Jeanne Swan, LVN, is the Hansford County Hospital District Employee of the Month for September.

Jeanne works in the Manor and has been employed by HCHD since March 22, 1999.

Jeanne demonstrates her loyalty, positive attitude, and devotion to duty by unwavering devotion to her job. She is the MDS coordinator plus works as charge nurse, and she works where she is needed, when she is needed. She is a "go-to" person; if you have a question or a problem or need something done, you can count on Jeanne. She expresses herself very well and does not complain.

Other nominees were: Mona Sandoval, Manor CNA; Jan Ellsworth, Manor RN; and Patricia Holguin, Manor CNA.

The Employee of the Month receives a parking space for the month, one paid day off, and is eligible for Employee of the Year.

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Our Deepest Sympathy

EARL MICHAEL "MIKE" MCFARLIN

DUMAS - Earl Michael "Mike" McFarlin, 55, died Thursday, September 18, 2003.

Memorial services were at 2 p.m. Wednesday, September 24th in Bible Baptist Church with the Rev. Rick Korsmo, pastor, officiating. Arrangements were by Morrison Funeral Directors.

Mr. McFarlin graduated from Dumas High School in 1966, and from West Texas State University in 1970. He was born May 25, 1948. He taught school at Horace Mann Junior High School in Amarillo. He later became affiliated with United and Lowe's grocery stores.

He was preceded in death by his father; his mother; a niece; and a nephew.

Survivors include two sisters, Bobbie Hazzard and husband, Marshall, of Tyrone, Okla., Eloise West and husband, Kenneth, of Pasadena; a brother, Sheriff R.L. McFarlin and wife, Kaye, of Spearman.

The family suggests memorials be to Hansford Hospice, 707 S. Roland St., Spearman, TX 79081.

Open Letter

To the Citizens of Hansford County.

I want to take this opportunity to announce to the citizens of Hansford County that I will not seek re-election for a ninth term as Sheriff of Hansford County in the upcoming March primary.

I have taken pride in holding this position for the last thirty years. With the completion of this term in December 2004, I will have served the people of Hansford County for a total of thirty-seven years.

I deeply appreciate the loyalty of those who have continuously supported my efforts to uphold the law.

My wife, Kay, our daughters, our grandsons and I ask that God bless you all and that the future will hold happiness and good prosperity.

Sheriff R.L. McFarlin, Jr.

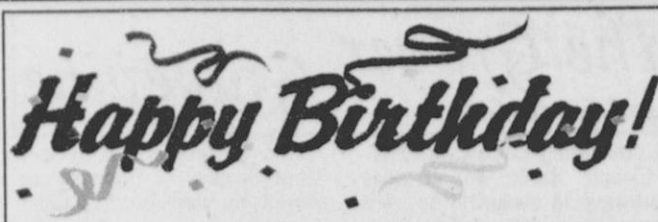
Wilmeth Included In Abstract Art Book

Ernest Wilmeth II was recently included in a book entitled, "Abstract Art ... New Mexico Artists Series." The 256 page book was published by Fresco Fine Art Publications and printed in Milan, Italy by Sfera International and contains over 200 color reproductions of artists work.

Stuart Ashman, executive director of the Spanish Colonial Museum in Santa Fe and former director of the Fine Arts Museum in Santa Fe, curated the exhibit. He selected the artists for inclusion and wrote the text which is a history of abstract art in New Mexico. Suzanne Deats is a well-known arts writer who was chosen to write the individual profiles of the 38 selected artists.

Some of the artists included in the publication are: Frank Ettenberg, Janet Lippencott, Pascal, Florence Pierce, Emmi Whitehorse, Michael Wright, and Wilmeth, among others.

Wilmeth is the grandson of the late Walter and Ida Wilmeth and the late Bill and Lemmie Russell, all of Spearman. His parents are Doris Jean and Ernest Wilmeth. He is a 1971 graduate of Spearman High School and a 1976 graduate of Northern Arizona University in Flagstaff, AZ. The artist lives and works in Albuquerque, NM. His work may be seen on the web at: www.ernestwilmeth.com.



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.

September 25
Birthdays - Brooke Salmons, Ann Taylor, Charles Martin, Jesse Renteria Jr., Cecil Slater, Stacy Lesly, Marcy Vitela, Pedro Vargas, Teresa Blan, Sandy Zamora, Chuck Cook, Edwin Percy, Andrew Dalton Raper, Erynn Saenz, Sally Pittman

Anniversary - Bob & Wanda Burke, Mr. & Mrs. Steve Holton, Mr. & Mrs. Arturo Vargas

September 26
Birthdays - Whitt Barkley, Mandy Derington, David Tomlison, Tamera Shedd, Von Close, Idella Randall, Cari Babitzke Baker, Jennifer Martin, Wayne Cummings, Regan Boxwell, Wanda Reed, Sharon Whitefield, Joy Graham, Grace Davis

Anniversary - Mr. & Mrs. John Patterson

September 27
Birthdays - Jim Davis, Jon Hart, Kathy Slough, Nathan Watkins, Garland Hopper, Joe Gomez, Norma Hill, Dennis Randall, Kristina Poole Howell, Sara Shufeldt, Holly Simpson, Tindie Ramon

Anniversary - Mr. & Mrs. David Bergin

September 28
Birthdays - Will Crane, Mike Grotegut, Beverly Hintergardt, Mike Yanke, Kim Brock, Teddie Whitefield, Judy Reed, Jimmie Vernon, Linda Lowenhagen, Julio Garcia, Sherry Moore, Jeff Gresset,

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Anniversary - James & Nell Cummings

September 29
Birthdays - Dick Hintergardt, Kelly Vernon, Meguel Espinosa, Jeff Vanlandingham, Vi Kjos, Charlie Salgado, Sue McCloy, Gabriel Rodriguez, Dave Laughlin, Ruben Olivarez, Christy Lang, Phillip Terry Moore, Travis Burgess, Tara Duke

September 30
Birthdays - Aaron Boyd, Chile Favala, Kyle Williams, Tanya Adkins, Cindi Nash, Stan Seagler, Naomi Fryrear, Jana Tindell, June Spencer, Roger Jones, F.W. Thomas, Sandy Cummings, Jean West, Dixie Williams, James Whitaker, Patrick Jerman, Sharon Bailey, Jade Shaver, Chris Cudd, Jenn Schnell, Justin Parker

Anniversary - Mr. & Mrs. Aaron Brown, Mr. & Mrs. A.D. Reed Jr., Mr. & Mrs. Leon Wilson, Mr. & Mrs. Charlie Salgado

October 1
Birthdays - Royce Mathews, Galen Slough, Merri Gale Sparks, Hector Nava, Beatrice Renteria, Brenda Pierson, Willie Clement, Sheila Watley, Colene Schaefer, Randall Schell, Angela Rodriguez, Laci Ortega, David Nash, Betty Perry, Robbie Dewberry, Jeff Shields

Anniversary - Mr. & Mrs. Elwyn Young, Mr. & Mrs. Charles Newcomb

October 2
Birthdays - Kyler Barkley, Wayne Garrett, Jeremy Tunnell, Richard Wagner, Della Reed, Kathi Gilley, Kelly Trout, Angelita Cruz, Pamela Ring, Robbi Dewberry

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The Gruver Grapevine

by Harletta Carthel

Community Care Concerns
Coach Steve Myatt was returning to Amarillo to visit two of his doctors on Monday. He will begin therapy in Spearman this week.

Garrett Miner, who was diagnosed with a deep bruise to his knee, is expected to be in the football lineup Friday night after missing two games due to the injury.

Former resident Mike Burnam underwent oral surgery to remove a possible malignancy last week.

Ruth Morris has been taking chemotherapy treatments for Lupus.

Flu Shots To Be Given
Flu shots will be available in Gruver from 9 a.m.- 12 p.m. Thursday, October 9, 2003 at the Golden Age Center.

The shots will be free with Medicare cards or \$20 without.

City Hall News
The City of Gruver reported 48 inch of rain Saturday night, September 20 - Sunday morning, September 21.

The city's contract for natural gas expired August 31, 2003. The city council is expected to lock in a price this month for a new contract. A cost in the \$7.00 range is expected.

Little Miss Seagler Arrives
Gary and Sandra Gumbory and Stan and Sharon Seagler, all of Gruver, proudly announce the birth of their granddaughter Kyndal Grace Seagler.

The sweet miss was born Saturday, August 30, at 5:14 p.m. in Dumas. She weighed seven pounds and 13 ounces and was 20 inches in length.

Her parents are Amy and Trent Seagler of Dumas, and she has an older brother, Lane, 3.

Her great grandparents are Jim and Virginia Fowler, formerly of Spearman, and now of Amarillo, and Dortha Ballard of Springfield, Colorado.

Schools To Dismiss
There will be no school in Gruver Friday, October 3. That day is also an open date for the varsity football team.

Classes will dismiss at 12:30 p.m. Thursday, October 2, and will resume on Monday, October 6.

Roofing Project Continues
The roofing of Gruver school buildings continues with work being done this week on the roofs of the band hall and the field house.

GVFD Answers Call
The Gruver Volunteer Fire Department was pressed into service Saturday morning to extinguish a burning haystack, four miles south of Gruver at the old Kaufman home place.

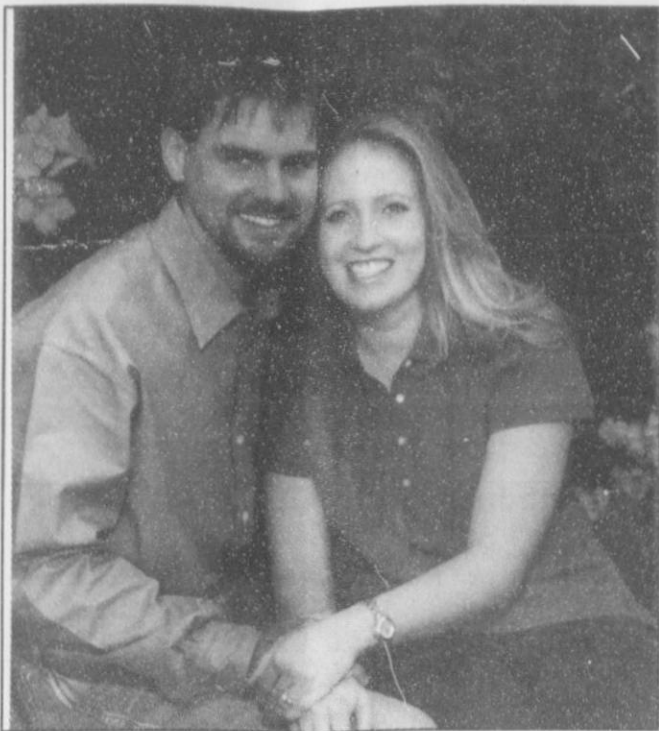
Gruver Bids Family Farewell
The Armadeo Cazares family is moving to Garland, Texas.

Tencha Cazares has been employed by Garland ISD and is currently working there. Her husband Armadeo will be joining her in one to two weeks.

Armadeo (Duke) came to Gruver in first grade, and he and his wife, Tencha, raised their family here.

The Cazares were active in many activities to benefit the community. Duke, an expert craftsman, made and donated many of his pieces for sale to benefit others.

The community will miss the family and wishes them well in their new home.



Stumpf Receives Doctorate



Dr. Mitzi Nichole Stumpf

Mitzi Nichole Stumpf received her Doctoral Degree in Education with concentration in Training and Development from North Carolina State University in Raleigh, North Carolina May 17, 2003.

Dr. Stumpf is the daughter of Jim and former Gruver resident Patty (Dozier) Stumpf of Marshville, NC, and the granddaughter of Harry and Hazel Stumpf of Spearman, Norma Dozier Womble of Hope, AK and the late Kenneth Dozier of Gruver.

Dr. Stumpf received her Bachelor of Science in Political Science and Marketing from East Carolina University in Greenville, North Carolina in 1992. Her Masters Degree in Public Administration with concentration in Human Resource Development was received at East Carolina University in Greenville, NC in 1995.

Dr. Stumpf is employed by North Carolina State University as Extension 4-H Associate. Her current major areas of responsibility are Project Director for the "4-H Discovery" curriculum, co-chair CEMP 20 (Youth Development) and teaching responsibilities of State and local Government and International Relations.

She is an active member in ASTD, State and National NCAE 4-H Associations, North Carolina School Age Care Coalition and Pi Sigma Alpha National Political Science Honor Society.

Dr. Stumpf resides in Raleigh, NC.

Engagement Announcement

Brady and Janis Hunt of Dumas, TX announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter Shelly to Andy Etheredge. Andy is the son of Billy and Debbie Etheredge of Amarillo, TX.

The bride-elect is a 1998 graduate of Dumas High School and is currently employed at Amarillo National Bank.

The prospective groom is a 1997 graduate of High Plains Christian Schools and is currently engaged in agriculture in the Dumas area.

The bride-elect is the granddaughter of Frank and Genell Galloway and the late Morris and Billie Hunt, all of Dumas.

The prospective groom's grandparents are Dorsey and Lucille Schad of Gruver and Pete and Bessie Etheredge of Pampa, TX.

The couple will be wed at the First United Methodist Church of Dumas on January 3, 2004.

Thank You

I would like to extend my appreciation for all the wonderful and thoughtful sentiments of care and concern that have been shown to me and my family throughout my long illness and beginning recovery.

Your prayers, flowers, cards and words of encouragement have been so greatly appreciated and cherished.

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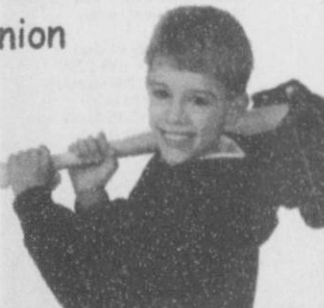
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MANOR MATTERS

by Merry Sparks

Last week was a busy and exciting week. We started our week off with exercises. When we exercise, we do it to music that makes it more fun to do. Our exercises are designed to accent range of motion movement from the neck to the toes. We also exercise our brains. This keeps the staff on their toes trying to outwit the residents. We talk on many topics. Last week we went through the 1930's and 1940's. It was just amazing at some of the stories that our residents were willing to share. Later in the day on Monday we had spelling contests. We have many very competitive residents and they are sharp as tacks. When we spell a word we also include the definitions of most of them.

Tuesday we started the day off with Musercise. This is particularly fun for all of us. It gets us moving. That afternoon Kay Hobbs of Gruver led a class in scratch art. That was very interesting. It is done on a sheet of paper that looks like carbon paper but when you use your pen to scratch an area different colors come through. We had very good participation. The residents did an ocean scene complete with fish, starfish, seaweed, and the ocean floor. They will be put on display in the hallway. Thank you Kay for your time and expertise!!

Anne Whitaker from Gruver came on Wednesday morning to lead Bible study. She does a very good job and the residents are enjoying it more and more. We also played volleyball and had a checkers competition. We had several residents compete in the checkers competition.

The hospital auxiliary was on hand Thursday afternoon to help with bingo. On the 14th the First Assembly of God held church for the residents and on the 21st the First Baptist Church of Spearman led the church service. Thank you to each and every one of you!

All of this was done during and in spite of a state survey being conducted in the facility at the same time. The state can come at any time that they want to and they inspect every aspect of the facility and staff. They also interview several residents, review documentation, question staff and examine the facility. In my department we were interviewed several times and I must say that my interaction with the surveyors was a very positive one. They had asked for the past 3 months calendars, examined them and then asked how we got all of the things done that was listed on our calendars. I was so pleased to be able to say that it was because of the staff that I have and the volunteers that help. (This part is almost unheard of) The lead surveyor told me that she wished that every facility that she went to had a program like we had with the participation that we have. I agreed with her. Her statement was "I wish everyone was more aware how important activities were." I agree with her 100%. It has been proven that a vibrant, variable activity program reduces the amount of pain reported, the amount of pain medication consumed, lessens the rate of depression, and restores quality to many lives.

I want to thank everyone involved from the hospital board, who authorizes staffing and expenditures on equipment and supplies, to dietary, house-keeping, nursing, laundry, maintenance, volunteer action and all of my staff that makes Hansford Manor the quality facility that it is. It is a team effort that is paying off in the lives of our community. We are all very proud that we had a deficiency free survey!!

I love visiting with our residents. One of our residents told me yesterday "I am cold as a frog-a big frog too-cause a little frog couldn't get this cold."

Among The Neighbors

by Helen Fisher

In last week's column, Yveta McCammond was mistakenly listed as a great-great-grandmother to Conner Richard Holton.

Kitty Edwards underwent arthroscopic knee surgery Tuesday, September 23, in Amarillo. She will spend two days with her mother in Amarillo as she recuperates and then return home by the weekend.

Richard Kilgore, Chief technology officer for Professional Edge Inc., of Dallas, was recently featured as a "Success Story" in the Dallas Morning News.

Kilgore received a bachelor degree in business administration from West Texas A&M University in Canyon.

He, Bruce Brinick and Debbie Brinick started the business in 1996. Kilgore had more than 20 years of experience in the technology field ranging from applications development to telecommunications. Bruce was

from a technology background but had spent a great deal of his career researching and implementing sales force automation solutions, while Ed had a proven track record as a successful salesman.

Kilgore, 46, is a graduate of Spearman High School and the son of the Frances Kilgore and the late Dick Kilgore of Spearman.

Sandee Smith and Kay Bowles returned from a most interesting trip to Oklahoma City recently and spent one afternoon with actor Jason Williams of "Greater Tuna". Mr. Williams and Sandee attended high school together and acted together in school plays.

Later that evening Sandee and Kay enjoyed the play at the Oklahoma City Civic Center where they watched "Greater Tuna". Day's mother and sisters from Oklahoma City accompanied them.

Kay's niece, Laurel, a make-up artist, did Rue McClanahan's

make-up on Thursday. Miss McClanahan starred in "The Golden Girls".

While doing her make-up, Laurel mentioned that her mother and aunts had lunch with Jason Williams the day before. That was extremely interesting as McClanahan and Mr. Williams are good friends. She contacted him and learned he was staying in the same hotel.

Miss McClanahan was in Oklahoma City doing a seminar on cancer survivors. Kay's Niece is also a cancer survivor so she and Rue have a lot in common. It was a very pleasant trip.

Carolyn Cummings just returned from Knoxville, Tenn. where she visited with her daughter, Kelli and Mother, Jane Simpson. While there they had several excursions. One was to Cades Cove, and one the Smoky Mountains where she took pictures of 15 to 20 deer in a bunch.

While there Kelli's boyfriend, Chip Criswell went with them on excursions and then his mother, Peggy hosted a fish fry for the family and friends. The fish came from Chip's grandfather who is a co-owner of an island off the coast of Alaska. They had halibut and Alaskan salmon complete with all the

trimmings. All total Carolyn was gone for a week and had an exceptionally good time.

Recently it was announced that KRDF, owned by Dwayne Smith, Rochelle Lacy, and Carolyn Cummings as Spearhead Broadcasting was entering into a local marketing agreement with George Chambers, owner of KXIT, A.M. and F.M. of Dalhart. George Chambers will be running the radio station pursuant to FCC approval of the sale of same. Upon FCC approval, George Chambers will own the radio station and will come to Spearman as needed.

Carolyn Cummings will be the general manager and a new employee, Mike Hill with wife and daughter will be moving to Spearman to head up the morning session and the news. Jenny Longoria will be the program director.

We appreciate Dwayne Smith and will miss him. He was always very co-operative and very involved in community affairs as well as school affairs. Dwayne is doing much better at this time. He recently was hospitalized in Pampa but is now released and recuperating in Pampa, where he will reside.

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Congratulations, Pauline!

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by Scooter Russell
Hansford Manor Resident of the Month for July is Pauline Pshigoda

Pauline Pshigoda has been a resident of Hansford Manor for several years and said it is a joy living there. She has a roommate and the ladies pass the time visiting and have a good time together.

Pauline grew up in Perryton and attended high school there. Her parents were George and Julia Deal, and the family lived on a farm.

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A. When a school district reaches a point when their value per student is too high, the state requires the school district to have a Chapter 41 Wealth Equalization election. We will be required to send part of our local funding away. The election will decide how that is to take place.
Q. Is this part of the school funding plan called "Robin hood"?
A. Yes, we have been given the title of a Chapter 41 Wealthy school district.
Q. I thought the district had a lot less money this year. Why are we having to send money away?
A. The recapture is calculated on prior year's property value with current year's "Weighted Average Daily Attendance" or WADA. Our 2002-2003 values with a projected 2003-2004 WADA of 740 triggered our Chapter 41 status.
Q. How much will we have to send away?
A. How much we have to send away depends on what our WADA is for the end of the 2003-2004 school year. The state is predicting our WADA to be about 740. If that is true, we will have to send away about \$90,000 at the end of the year. Our enrollment is up at this time, and our WADA could be as high as 770. If that is the case, we may not have to send anything.
Q. What are we supposed to vote for?
A. On the ballot you will have the following statements:
FOR or AGAINST
 Authorizing the board of trustees of the Gruver School district to educate students of other school districts and/or to purchase attendance from the state with local tax revenues.
Q. If I vote "FOR" what will that mean?
A. Voting "FOR" will mean you want local control of where your money goes - to the state or another district.
Q. What if the "AGAINST" motion carries?
A. The Commissioner of Education for the State of Texas will make the final decision. His choices are to force Gruver ISD to:
 1. Consolidate Gruver ISD with another school district.
 2. Detach property
 3. Purchase attendance credits from the state.
 4. Contract to educate non-resident students from a partner district.
 5. Consolidate tax bases with another school district.
Q. Will this cause my taxes to go up?
A. No. Your taxes can not exceed a rate of \$1.50 per \$100 in property value.
FINANCIAL INFORMATION

	2002-2003	2003-2004
Property Value	\$231 Mil	\$189 Mil
Revenue	\$3.8 Mil	\$3.1 Mil
Budget	\$3.8 Mil	*\$3.5 Mil
Enrollment	385	403
WADA	750	765 Est.
Average Value	\$308,000	\$302,000 Est.

*(\$ 400,000 budgeted out of fund balance)
TERMS
Chapter 41 - a "wealthy" school district
Chapter 42 - a "non-wealthy" school district
Recapture - the payment out of the district
ADA - average daily attendance
WADA - weighted average daily attendance (Some classes count more for attendance than others)
Consolidate - two or more school districts become one
PLEASE VOTE "FOR" ON OCTOBER 11TH
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2003 GHS HOMECOMING

2003 GRUVER GREYHOUNDS

No.	Name	Position	HT.	WT.	Class
3	Jose Rodriguez	WR/DB	5'10"	160	Sr.
4	Salvador Luciano	RB/LB	5'9"	165	Sr.
5	Carlos Borunda	WR/DB	6'	170	Sr.
7	Brock Irwin	RB/LB	5'8"	155	Sr.
10	Manny Lopez	WR/LB	5'7"	140	Sr.
12	Lance Williams	QB/DB	5'11"	150	Jr.
15	Garrett Miner	QB/LB	5'8"	155	Sr.
21	David Puebla	RB/DB	5'7"	150	Sr.
22	Cody Mac Been	TE/DB	5'10"	145	Jr.
25	Tyler Lane	RB/DB	5'7"	140	Soph.
28	Ryan Winger	RB/DE	5'10"	170	Jr.
51	Nick Slough	OL/DL	5'10"	250	Sr.
53	Reid Winger	OL/DL	6'2"	245	Soph.
54	T.Jay Sherrill	C/DE	6'1"	190	Sr.
55	Hutch Reed	OL/LB	5'10"	160	Sr.
56	Chris Clawson	OL/LB	5'8"	160	Sr.
58	Rufino Gonzales	OL/DE	5'10"	175	Sr.
70	Chris Hillenbrand	OL/DL	6'2"	235	Sr.
74	Colt Cluck	OL/DE	6'	195	Jr.
77	Oscar Medina	OL/DL	5'10"	235	Jr.
79	Sergio Cruz	OL/DL	5'9"	230	Jr.

Head Coach: Bruce Bryant **Athletic Dir.:** Steve Myatt
Assistant Coaches: Jim Davis, John Duncan, Troy Seagler
Managers: Mark TeBeest, Kyle Jackson, Miles Messer, Blake Fitzgearald, Drew Mireles, Cory Graves, Cass Cooper
Superintendent: David Teal **Principal:** Mike King
Band Director: Todd Parker **Cheerleader Sponsor:** Kimberly Irwin
Cheerleaders: *Head Cheerleader* - Jenny Hart, Meagan Knight, Blythe Finley, Callie Hargis, Kelly Sue Jones, Sarah Mireles

Gruver Greyhounds




Homecoming Takes Center Stage

Homecoming will be the highlight of the week in Gruver with a busy slate of activities planned.

Thursday, September 25 - Elementary classrooms will be visited by their adopted varsity football player.

The Junior Varsity and Junior High Hounds will travel to White Deer for clashes with the Bucks beginning at 5:00 p.m.

Friday, September 26 - A snake chain will begin in Gruver schools at 2:45 p.m. culminating in a homecoming pep rally in the varsity gym at 3:00 p.m.

A GHS alumni-sponsored Mexican pile-on dinner with cinnamon rolls will be held from 5:00 - 6:30 p.m. in the school cafeteria with voting on the alumni queen at the same location. The cost of the dinner is \$5.00.

7:00 p.m. The coronation of the 2003 Homecoming Queen and Alumni Queen.

7:30 p.m. - Homecoming game with Claude Mustangs

Post game activities - Alumni dance at the Sparks Brothers Hangar: Guests are asked to bring lawn chairs, if possible, to gather for reminiscing around fire pits.

High school dance immediately following the game until 1 a.m. at the County Barn.

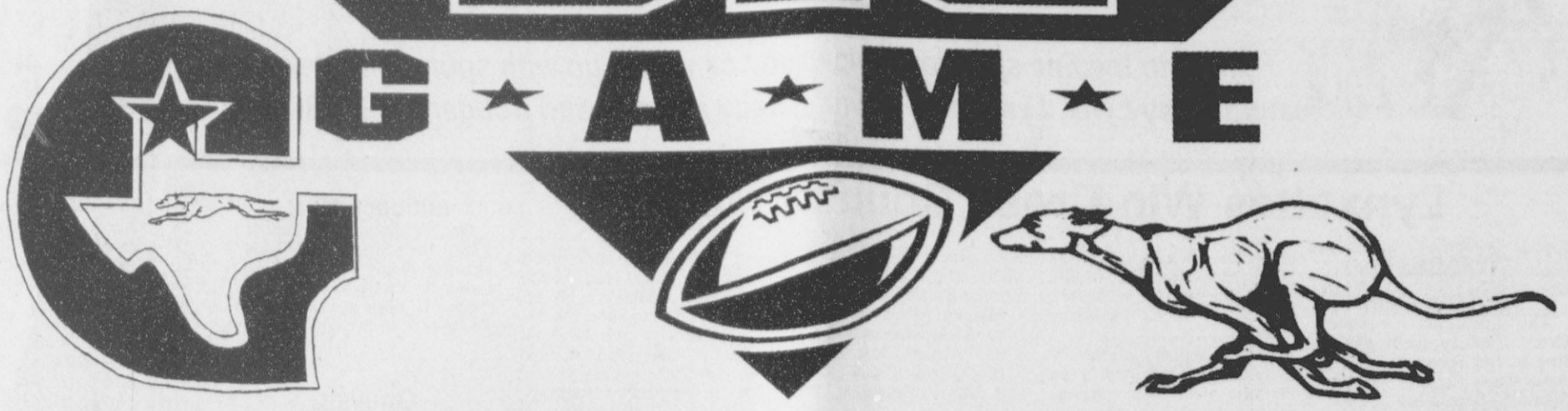
Saturday, September 27 - New Homecoming Activity! The high school building will be open from 10 a.m.-12 p.m. for exes, their friends, and families.

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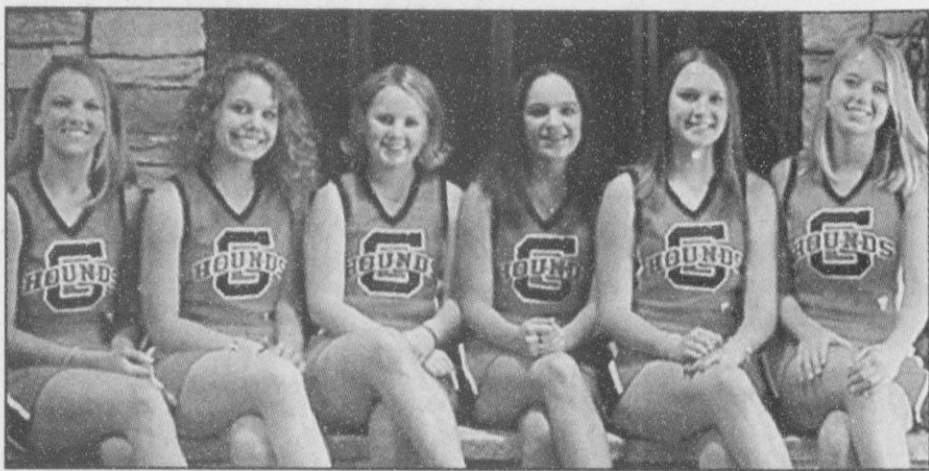
The alumni association wishes to extend their appreciation to the Holt Brothers for the donation of beef for the alumni dinner and to Sparks Brothers Flying for the use of their facility.

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Dr. James Pinkerton, DDS Spearman • 659-3315 <i>Backing the Hounds All The Way!</i>	H&H Water Well Spearman • 659-5577 <i>Throw Them in the Well!</i>	Bort Agency Gruver • 733-2456 <i>Backing the Hounds All The Way!</i>
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Transpetco I Spearman • 659-2596 <i>Backing the Hounds!</i>	Speartex Grain Spearman • 659-3711 <i>Haul Them Away!</i>	Willis Boyd Dirt Service Spearman • 662-3662 • 898-2813 • 659-3844 <i>Bull doze 'em in a Hole!</i> <i>Good Luck, Hounds!</i>

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2003 GHS HOMECOMING



Varsity Cheerleaders

Blythe Finley, Meagan Knight, Callie Hargis, Sarah Mireles, Kelly Sue Jones, and Jenny Hart (Photo by Kimberly Irwin)



Queen Candidates Selected

Three Gruver High School seniors have been selected as candidates for homecoming queen. They are (L-R) Meagan Knight, Cynthia Briones and Jenny Hart.

Alumni Queen Nominees Named

The Gruver Alumni Association has announced the following candidates for Alumni Queen and their escorts:

1943 - Doris Schibler Dahl and Clifford Hill	1973 - Debbie Spivey Deeds and John Gibson
1953 - Bonnie Schaeff McFadden and Bob Fryatt	1983 - Melissa Britt and Clay Barkley
1963 - Pam Cooksey Owen and Reinhold Koerbel	1993 - Brendy Brown Kirkland and Cody Barkley
	2003 - Lisa Johnson and Wade Stewart

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<p>Interstate Bank, ssb Spearman • 659-2559 <i>Banking on the Hounds!</i></p>	<p>Rocking F Boot & Saddle Shop Spearman • 659-3342 <i>Boot 'em out!</i></p>	<p>Little Tiffanies Gruver • 733-5290 <i>Go, Fight, Win!</i></p>
<p>Hansford County Hospital District Spearman • 659-2535 <i>Give them a shot in the arm!</i></p>	<p>Spearman Equity Spearman • 659-2420 <i>Grind them up!</i></p>	<p>Lone Star Service Center Gruver • 733-5263 <i>Pump up a win!</i></p>
<p>Boxwell Brothers Spearman • 659-3802 <i>Knock 'em Dead!</i></p>	<p>Corner Service Station Spearman • 659-3426 <i>Corner them!</i></p>	<p>Five Star Equipment Spearman • 659-5151 <i>Make Them See Stars!</i></p>
<p>Kid's Stuff & Lady Fair 659-2608 • 659-3215 <i>Supporting Hansford County Teams!</i></p>	<p>Simple Simon's Spearman • 659-9991 <i>Slice up a win!</i></p>	<p>MurMur's Cafe Spearman • 659-3580 <i>Eat 'em Up!</i></p>
<p>Hi-Plains Auto Spearman • 659-2506 <i>Go Hounds!</i></p>	<p>The Grocery Store 516 Main • Gruver • 733-2471 <i>Sack 'em up, Hounds!</i></p>	<p>H&H Credit Union Stinnett • 878-2452 <i>We're 'Interested' in Hound Football!</i></p>
<p>Gruver Dairy Queen Gruver • 733-2913 <i>Good Luck Hounds!</i></p>	<p>Main Street Store Gruver • 733-5040 <i>'Brighton' homecoming with a win!</i></p>	<p>Morse Implement Morse • 733-2668 <i>Implement A Victory!</i></p>
<p>Sunray Co-Op Gruver Branch • 733-2481 <i>All The Way, Hounds!</i></p>	<p>Hansford Supply Gruver • 733-2469 <i>Supply A Victory!</i></p>	<p>Gruver Cablevision Gruver • 659-5295 <i>Tune in a victory!</i></p>

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Lynxettes Win Cross Country Meets

SPEARMAN

Perryton Meet

The Spearman Lynxettes Cross Country team placed first in the Perryton A-AA-AAA Cross Country Meet on Saturday, September 6, 2003. Other teams participating were: 2nd - Borger, 3rd - Dumas, 4th - Claude, 5th - Shamrock, 6th - Boise City, 7th - White Deer, 8th - Perryton, 9th - Stratford, 10th - Gruver, 11th - Boys Ranch. Individual results are as follows: 7th - Melissa Lesly (14.09), 10th - Lindsey Short (14.16), 12th - Tabatha Shields (14.19), 29th - Ashlee Flowers (15.02), 30th - Rossilyn Bulls (15.03), 38th - Sonny Parker (15.20), 51st - Aleisha Sweat (15.40), 55th - Tonya Hart (15.46), 66th - Claudia Vaquera (15.56), 72nd -

Adrianna Mendoza (16.01), 80th - Macy Harbour (16.08), 113th - Jordan Short (16.47), 153rd - Jenna McElroy (18.10).

Three members of the JV Lynx team participated in the Perryton Meet. Their placings are as follows: 27th - Oswaldo Lomeli (23.25), 33rd - Jordan Sweat (24.30), 34th - Javier Frayre (24.40).

The Junior High Lynxettes also placed first with a total of 25 points, followed by Lefors with 124 and Canadian with 147.

Individual runners and their times were: 1st - Christy Lang (12:11), 3rd - Jessica Diaz (12:47), 5th - Bond Pittman (12:56), 7th - Kendall Schneider (13:06), 9th - Amy Brown (13:25), 11th - Amy Boyd (13:43), 14th - Courtney Chambers (13:58), 17th - Kylee Howard (14:04), 18th -

Kyla Reed (14:12), 21st - Mattie Davis (14:21), 23rd - Britney Bradley (14:24), 26th - Mariam Mendoza (14:39), 31st - Vickie Renteria (15:11), 32nd - Ashlee Close (15:14), 33rd - Destiny Fisher (15:16) and 38th - Heriselda Perez (15:48).

The Spearman Lynx and Lynxettes will participate in the 32nd Annual Amarillo Invitational Cross Country Meet at Thompson Park on Saturday, September 20th. The JV Girls will begin at 9 a.m., followed by the JV Boys at 9:20 and Varsity Girls at 9:50. The Junior High Lynxettes will not compete this week.

Follett Meet

The Spearman Lynxettes Cross Country team placed first in the Follett A-AA-AAA Cross Country Meet on Saturday, September 13, 2003 with 31 points. Perryton was 2nd with 70, followed by Gruver with 82 and Canadian with 109.

Individual results are as follows: 3rd - Tabatha Shields (12.29), 4th - Melissa Lesly (12.29), 5th - Lindsey Short (12.29), 9th - Sonny Parker (12.58), 10th - Macy Harbour (12.59), 13th - Rossilyn Bulls (13.03), 14th - Aleisha Sweat (13.19), 16th - Ashlee Flowers (13.23).

The JV Lynxettes came in

2nd. Runners and their places were: 1st - Tonya Hart (12.55), 2nd - Adrian Mendoza (13.40) and 4th - Jordan Short (14.05).

Members of the JV Lynx team and their placings were: 4th - Jordan Sweat (18.51) and 5th - Javier Frayre (19.05).

Amarillo Invitational

The Spearman High School Cross Country teams competed in the Amarillo Invitational on Saturday, September 20th. The Varsity Girls placed 4th, behind Canyon (1st), Borger (2nd) and Muleshoe (3rd).

Individual results are as follows: 6th - Melissa Lesly (13.24), 26th - Tabatha Shields (13.57), 37th - Lindsey Short (14.15), 45th - Sonny Parker (14.28), 47th - Macy Harbour (14.29), 72nd - Ashlee Flowers (14.29), 117th - Rossilyn Bulls (15.54).

Individual results for the Junior Varsity Girls were: 8th - Tonya Hart (14.29), 16th - Aleisha Sweat (14.47), 24th - Adriana Mendoza (14.56), 41st - Claudia Vaquera (15.32), 74th - Jordan Short (16.25), 99th - Mallory Paul (17.03), 114th - Jenna McElroy (17.31). Junior Varsity Boys results were: 78th - Oswaldo Lomeli (22.58), 82nd - Jordan Sweat (23.24), 83rd - Javier Frayre (23.32), 99th - Justin Parker (24.39).

Lubbock Meet

On Saturday, September 27th, the Spearman Cross Country teams will travel to Lubbock, Varsity Girls start at 9 a.m., JV Girls at 11 a.m. and JV Boys at 11:30 a.m.

GRUVER

Wolf Creek Meet

The Lady Hounds finished tenth of 25 teams in the Wolf Creek Cross Country Meet.

Gruver runners and their time were 42nd - Meagan Knight, 15:24; 45th - Liz Lopez, 15:30; 58th - Jessica Schmidt, 15:49; 74th - Lindsey Clift, 16:03; 88th - Susie Flores, 16:21; 95th - Allison Reid, 16:25; 107th - Laci Fitzgearld, 16:38; 138th - Samantha Myatt, 17:47.

Hugo Chavira, a Gruver eighth grader, placed 11th in the junior varsity division with a 20:42.

Mallory Reid, placed ninth with a 16:38 in the girls junior high division.

Follett Meet

Hugo Chavira won the Follett Cross Country meet with a time of 16:23 on his three miles run.

The Lady Hounds finished third in their best placing this season.

Runners and their results were: 8th - Meagan Knight,

12:56; 12th - Laci Fitzgearld, 13:00; 18th - Allison Reid, 13:28; 19th - Liz Lopez, 13:28; 25th - Susie Flores, 13:51; 27th - Lindsey Clift, 13:58; 31st - Samantha Myatt, 14:50.

The Junior High Lady Hound runners were 15th - Mallory Reid, 14:00 and 41st - Lindsey Mireles, 16:20.

In the Junior High Boys Division, Kory Jackson placed 29th with a 19:16.

Amarillo Invitational

The GHS Girls Cross Country Team competed in the Amarillo Invitational Meet at Thompson Park, Saturday, September 20.

Runners, their placings and times are as follows:

Meagan Knight - 41, 14:23; Laci Fitzgearld 50, 14:36; Liz Lopez - 67, 14:52; Allison Reid - 74, 15:06; Jessica Schmidt - 103, 15:34; Susie Flores - 106, 15:39; Samantha Myatt - 146, 16:44.

PRINGLE-MORSE

Tara Shields, Pringle-Morse eighth grader has been outstanding in her first three cross country meets of the year.

Running in the junior high division, Tara placed second in the Borger Invitational, sixth in the Wolf Creek at Perryton, and second in the Follett meet.

Lynx Players of the Week

Sept. 12

Sept. 19



Offense
Wayne
Gibson

Defense
Marcus
Vasquez

Offense
Garrett
Martin

Defense
Jeff
Brock

Red Devils Spear Lynx, 23-0

The Spearman Lynx were unable to contain the Texhoma Red Devils during their matchup on Friday, September 19th. With the 23-0 win, the Red Devils improved to 3-0 while Spearman dropped to 1-3.

Clete Vanderburg had 19 carries with 66 total yards, followed by Mark Thomas with 10 carries for 61 yards. Quarterback Garrett Martin finished with 8 carries for 8 yards and Brock Town had 2 carries for -6 yards, for an offensive total of 39 carries for 129 yards.

Garrett completed 7 of 18 passes for 72 yards, with Jeff Brock receiving 4 for 36 yards, Ricky Garcia receiving 2 for 20 yards and Mark Thomas receiving one for 16 yards.

Texhoma finished the game with 203 rushing yards and 64 passing yards for a total of 267 yards.

This Week

On Friday September 26th, the Spearman Lynx travel to Panhandle to take on the Panthers. The 7:30 kick-off will open district play for the Lynx.

Game at a Glance

	Spearman	Texhoma
Score by Quarters	0/0/0 = 0	7/6/10/0 = 23
First downs	9	12
Yards Rushing	57	203
Yards Passing	70	64
Total Yards	201	267
Comp/Att/Int	7/18/0	4/8/1
Fumbles/Lost	2/2	2/2
Punts/Avg.	3/34	4/39
Penalties/Yards	10/60	12/110

Hounds Find No Walk In The 'Park'

by Harletta Carthel

Stemming the tide for two quarters, the Hounds fell 41-7, with Highland Park opening a flood gate of 27 points in the second half.

While the Hornets stung first with a one-yard run by Zach Young and then again with an 11 yard Young encore in the opening period, the Hounds came back with a 20 yard pass/play from Lance Williams to Carlos Borunda.

An interception by Brock Irwin moments later gave the Hounds the chance to tie the game. When that effort fell short, Highland Park's lead was never in jeopardy.

Holding the Hornets to one touchdown in the third quarter, the Hounds could not curtail the flood of twenty points in the final period.

While both teams had their share of misfortunes with Highland Park suffering one interception, three lost fumbles and one blocked punt, and Gruver giving the ball over on three interceptions and one fumble, the Hornets were able to take advantage of Gruver's miscues.

Defensively the Hounds were led by TJay Sherrill with a blocked punt, Sergio Cruz who is credited with two fumble recoveries, Salvador Luciano who caused one fumble, and Ryan Winger who caused and recovered a fumble.

Winger was also instrumental in Gruver's scoring drive picking up a first down on third down and 12 on a second effort maneuver to set up the touchdown pass.

Luciano was also Gruver's leading rusher with 11 carries for 33 yards. Highland Park was led by R. J. Soleyjacks who had 229 yards on 25 carries for three touchdowns.

This Week

The Hounds will host Claude Friday, September 26, in the homecoming tilt at 7:30 p.m. with coronation ceremonies beginning at 7:00 p.m.

	Gruver	Highland Park
First downs	7	21
Yards Rushing	86	300
Yards Passing	49	61
Tot. Yds.	135	361
Comp/Att/Int	7/28/3	5/9/1
Fumbles/Lost	1/1	4/2
Punts/Avg.	5/23	2/10
Penalties/Yards	2/10	9/72

Hounds Fall In Dog/Cat Fight

by Harletta Carthel

The Panhandle Panthers lived up to their state ranking, with a 58-12 win over the Gruver Greyhounds Friday night.

The Cats led by seven at the end of the first quarter but exploded with 28 points in the second quarter and 20 in the third period to stifle the Hounds.

Gruver's Salvador Luciano rushed for two touchdowns, one on a two yard run in the third, and a one on a one yard run in the final minute of the fourth.

Neil Packard was Panhandle's leading rusher with 102 yards on four carries for a 25.5 average while Ryan Winger led the Hounds with 93 yards rushing on 13 carries for a 7.2 average.



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Elks Outrun Lynx, 41-7

The Spearman Lynx were not able to keep up with the #2 state-ranked Stratford Elks on Friday, September 12th. The Lynx fell to 1-2 with a final score of 41-7.

The Elks, with 17 returning lettermen (seven offensive and seven defensive starters), only led 7-0 at the end of the first quarter. But after Stratford scored 21 points in the second quarter, the Lynx were unable to fight their way back.

Quarterback Garrett Martin threw for 49 yards with one completion to Ricky Garcia for 19 yards and two to Jeff Brock for a total of 30 yards.

Clete Vanderburg led the Lynx in rushing with 14 carries and a total of 56 yards, followed by Mark Thomas with 14 carries and a total of 34 yards.

The only Lynx touchdown came in the third quarter with a run from Jeff Brock. Jerry Anaya added the extra point. Stratford rolled up 353 yards total offense, while holding the Lynx to 142. Stratford's Josh King threw for 224 yards and three touchdowns.

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Cazares Seeks Hansford County Judge Appointment

Cody J. Cazares, has announced his intention to seek appointment as the next Hansford County Judge following the recent announcement of retirement by Judge Jim Brown following 14 years of service.

Cazares, a former aid to President George W. Bush and Personal Assistant to US Congressman Bill Redmond, has met with the Hansford County Commissioners to make known his intention to seek the position.

"It is such an honor not only to be considered for this office but also the office held by my good friend Jim Brown. I thank him for his exceptional service to Hansford County, and I can only hope to do as good a job as

he has," Cazares said.

While it is rare for young people to return to Hansford County after attending college, Cazares has a different perspective. He wants to serve his neighbors.

"Hansford County has always been my home, and I want to return to serve those same people that have always been there for me. It's a place where you grow up with the strong values that make Texas great," Cazares said. "Integrity matters. Character matters. Your handshake is your word, and your word is your bond. You don't get that in many other places. I want to work hard to make sure Hansford County remains a place where we are proud to live and raise our families."

Cazares has been involved in public service for several years. At the age of 13, Cazares began a crime prevention program at Gruver ISD that eventually became an annual event garnering the support of three US presidents, several members of Congress and countless state and national leaders. He later went on to be one of the youngest Capitol Hill staffers at the right hand of a US Congressman, and then as an aide to President George W. Bush.

"I believe that public service is an honorable calling, one I felt at a very young age. After the September 11th attacks, I think a lot of people wondered if my generation was going to step

up to the plate and be leaders, - well, here I am," Cazares said.

With the declining agricultural market and the declining economy, Cazares believes his vision can begin to turn the county in the right direction. He seeks an active role in economic development and wants to utilize his relationships in the state legislature and in Congress to bring positive opportunities to Hansford County.

"I want to lobby my friends very hard to make sure that our county is well-represented so that we get our fair share of help with economic development. I also plan to make sure that our voice is heard loud and clear when it comes to education. We have to do everything possible to strengthen our schools because they are the center of our communities. Without our schools, our towns would cease to exist. I want to see even more young people returning to Hansford County," Cazares said.

It is those same friends Cazares plans to lobby that have come out in full force in support of his appointment as County Judge. Amongst those who have contacted the County Commissioners in support of Cazares are US Congressman Bill Redmond, US Congressman Pete Sessions, State Senator Teal Bivins, State Representative David Swinford, former New Mexico Governor Walter Bradley, 7th District Court of Appeals Chief Justice John T. Boyd, and former Secretary of State and current Texas Republican Party Chairman George W. Strake, among others.

Congressman Redmond told the Commissioners, "Appointing Cody is a decision you will look back on and be proud you made."

I look forward to your sharing in my amazement at the great things this young man is capable of making happen."

Hansford County Commissioners will be making their decision for the appointment in the next few days.

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Out At The Lake



Charlie Laxton displays a 21-pound, an 18-pound and a 6-pound Blue Catfish caught from a night of fishing at Lake Palo Duro.

Lake Level--September 22, 2003--29.55 feet (-0.21 feet)

Charley Laxton has not been fishing much lately and had been heard to say he was too old for that fishing all night. Wednesday night he tried it again. Fishing from the bank and using shad for bait, he had a 21-pound, an 18-pound, and a 6-pound blue catfish to show Jim. Ronnie Bolin of Texhoma, one of the regular fishermen, also caught a 21-pound blue catfish this week.

The office gauge and Gruver's both showed around a half inch. There were reports of spotted big rains, but by Monday morning nothing had come down the creeks into the Lake.

The Spearman Church of Christ had the shelter Sunday. The Richard Ooley's had a hookup behind the dam. A Williams family with people from Beaver and Gruver camped out in tents in the Park during the rain Saturday night. Strong winds with the rain blew the trash, complete with bags, out of the barrels. Some of the visitors were nice enough to ask Jim for fresh trash bags, so they could pick up the scattered trash. Nice campers!

Jim says the bucks are becoming more visible now.

Ramon thinks the short-eared doe has adopted another fawn as she now is mothering three.

Ada Joyce Stedje is another one who has gotten to see antelopes jump fences. While I was reading about antelope, I was surprised to find the antelope can go for long periods without drinking. They can conserve body water and produce metabolic water.

Prairie dogs do something, too, as the old story that they dig to water is not true. What about jack rabbits? We see them where they are a long distance from water. "The Mammals of Texas" didn't help me out on the last two animals, but all three are grassland creatures that are found a long ways from water.

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Hansford County Teachers Retire

Four Hansford County employees, who devoted more than 110 years of teaching service to Texas schools, retired in May 2003.

painting lessons. "I am enjoying my retirement, but I do miss working with the students," Hodge said.

Shari Githens is a senior at Texas Tech and has a 5 and 1/2 year-old daughter Kriston.



Sylvia Hodge

Sylvia Hodge served as speech therapist of both Gruver and Spearman Schools for twenty, coming to the Spearman School District in 1983.

Hodge has divided her time with Monday, Wednesday and Fridays spent at Spearman schools and Tuesday and Thursdays spent at Gruver schools.

She has one daughter Mandy Wells and two grandchildren, Devin Lee, 8, and Natalie Corinne 1 1/2.

Hodge plans to spend more time enjoying her grandchildren, home improvement projects, visiting her sister in Ohio, and trips with her daughter, grandchildren, and husband. She also plans to pursue her creative interests in the form of



Sandee Smith

Sandra "Sandee" Smith is retiring after 30 years of service, 22 in the Spearman School District. During her service to Spearman schools, she has taught first grade for six years, fourth grade for one year, third grade for four years, and fourth and fifth science, health, and art for 11 years.

Smith plans to substitute teach during the school year, volunteer at Hansford Hospital, be a part of a Bridge club, and babysit her grandchildren.

Smith and her husband Ric have two daughters.

Dana "Sunshine" Davis is a teacher in Perryton. Her husband Harold is the Perryton volleyball coach. The couple has a four-year old daughter Kylee.



Mary Ann Lasater

Mary Ann Lasater is retiring from the Spearman School District with 18 years of experience, one year in the Hereford ISD, and two years in the Stinnett ISD.

She taught first grade, third grade, and fourth grade before teaching 14 years in second grade, a position she held at her retirement.

She and her husband Butch have three children and four grandchildren.

Their children and grandchildren are Laci Murray and sons Max, 4, and Mitch, 1, of Amarillo, Mendy Riggins and sons Caden, 4, and Jackson, 1, of Lubbock, and Cass of Spearman.

Lasater plans to spend her newly acquired time with her grandsons and the hobbies she enjoys of tile painting, gardening, and yard work.



Peggy Frick

Peggy Frick retired in May 2003 after 29 years in teaching, 24 of those in the Gruver School system.

During her tenure at Gruver, which began in 1979, Frick taught math and reading in junior high one year and second grade for 23 years.

Before coming to Gruver, she taught at Booker, Cooper, and Anna, Texas.

Frick has three children, Aaron and wife Kristi of Lubbock, Max and his wife Wendy of Canyon and their children Hannah, 5, and Caleb, 1, and Bonnie, a freshman at Gruver High School.

Frick looks forward to continuing to raise her daughter Bonnie and follow her school activities, travel, and continue to work in ceramics.

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#22136, located in Lot 53, Block 45, H&TC Survey, Hansford County, Texas. Tract 11: 0017360 Royalty Interest in the Steele -57- No 1-A, Lease Number 37698, RRC #37698, located in Lot 57, Block 45, H&TC Survey, Hansford County, Texas. Tract 12: 0017360 Royalty Interest in the Steele J I -E- #3, Lease Number 12672, RRC #12672, located in Lot 65, Block 45, H&TC Survey, Hansford County, Texas. Tract 13: 0017360 Royalty Interest in the Steele J I -E- #1, Lease Number 28314, RRC #28314, located in Lot 65, Block 45, H&TC Survey, Hansford County, Texas. Tract 15: 0017360 Royalty Interest in the Steele E B -B- #1, Lease Number 28314, RRC #28314, located in Lot 50, Block 45, H&TC Survey, Hansford County, Texas. Tract 16: 0008680 Royalty Interest in the Collard R Estate etal, Lease Number 2053, RRC #2053, located in Lot 75, Block 45, H&TC Survey, Hansford County, Texas. Tract 18: 0013020 Royalty Interest in the Flowers -D- #1-41, Lease Number 128913, RRC #128913, located in Lot 41, Block 45, H&TC Survey, Hansford County, Texas. Tract 21: 0013020 Royalty Interest in the Archer Steele #2, Lease Number 81574, RRC #81574, located in Lot 39, Block 45, H&TC Survey, Hansford County, Texas. Tract 24: 0008680 Royalty Interest in the Lee No. 2, Lease Number 121241, RRC #121241, located in Lot 66, Block 45, H&TC Survey, Hansford County, Texas. Tract 25: 0013020 Royalty Interest in the Flowers -A- No 1, Lease Number 111006, RRC #111006, located in Lot 54, Block 45, H&TC Survey, Hansford County, Texas. Tract 26: 0006030 Royalty Interest in the Steele-Collard A-1, Lease Number 22701, RRC #22701, located in Lot 16, Block 2, WCRR Survey, Hansford County, Texas. Tract 27: 0008680 Royalty Interest in the Steele J J No. 2-53, Lease Number 73128, RRC #73128, located in Lot 53, Block 45, H&TC Survey, Hansford County, Texas. Tract 28: 0017360 Royalty Interest in the Steele J I -A- #1, Lease Number 22760, RRC #22760, located in Lot 49, Block 45, H&TC Survey, Hansford County, Texas. Tract 29: 0017360 Royalty Interest in the Steele J I -D- #2, Lease Number 28313, RRC #28313, located in Lot 64, Block 45, H&TC Survey, Hansford County, Texas. Tract 30: 0013020 Royalty Interest in the Blodgett C R #2, Lease Number 64323, RRC #64323, located in Lot 40, Block 45, H&TC Survey, Hansford County, Texas. Tract 32: 0017360 Royalty Interest in the Steele No. 1, Lease Number 27755, RRC #27755, located in Lot 68, Block 2, GH&H Survey, Hansford County, Texas. Tract 33: 0006030 Royalty Interest in the Collard Steele -F- #4, Lease Number 178358, RRC #178358, located in Lot 1, Block 4T, T&NO Survey, Hansford County, Texas. Tract 34: 0006030 Royalty Interest in the Collard Steele -F- #3, Lease Number 176899, RRC #176899, located in Lot 1, Block 4T, T&NO Survey, Hansford County, Texas. Tract 35: 0017360 Royalty Interest in the Steele J I Etux #1, Lease Number 22145, RRC #22145, located in Lot 78, Block 45, H&TC Survey, Hansford County, Texas. Levied on the 10th day of September, 2003 as the property of CHARLES THOMAS GRESS to settle a judgment amounting to

\$2,309.16, representing delinquent taxes, penalties, interest, and attorney's fees through the date of judgment, plus all costs of court, costs of sale, and post judgment penalties and interest recoverable by law in favor of GRUVER INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT, SPEARMAN INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT AND/OR HANSFORD COUNTY.

Given under my hand this the 10th day of September, 2003 R.L. McFarlin, Jr., Sheriff HANSFORD County, Texas By: Gary Evans, Deputy

The minimum bid for a person owning an interest in the property or for a person who is a party to the suit (other than a taxing unit), is the aggregate amount of the judgment(s) against the property plus all costs of suit and sale. THERE MAY BE ADDITIONAL TAXES DUE ON THE PROPERTY WHICH HAVE BEEN ASSESSED SINCE THE DATE OF JUDGMENT. For more information, contact your attorney or the tax collector.

ALL BIDDERS MUST COMPLY WITH SECTION 24.015 OF THE TEXAS PROPERTY TAX CODE 3(9-18-03)B

PUBLIC NOTICE Hansford County Hospital District is accepting bids for a CT Scanner to be placed on the hospital premises and to be used by patients of the Hospital District. For product specification information and/or additional questions, contact Steve Hartgraves, CEO, 806-659-5588.

Bids must be sealed and addressed to Steve Hartgraves, CEO, Hansford County Hospital District, 707 Roland, Spearman TX 79081-3499, and clearly labeled as "CT Scanner Bid." Hansford County Hospital District reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to accept the bid deemed the best proposal for Hansford County Hospital District. Sealed bids will be opened and read to the public at four o'clock p.m. on October 9, 2003, in the Board Room of Hansford County Hospital District located at 707 S. Roland, Spearman TX 79081. 2(9-25-03)B

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NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS To those indebted to or holding claims against the Estate of JIMMY SHIELDKNIGHT, Deceased, No. 2416 in the County Court of Hansford County, Texas, Probate Matter: The undersigned having been duly appointed Independent Co-Executor of the Estate of JIMMY SHIELDKNIGHT, Deceased, by the Judge of the County Court of Hansford County, Texas, on the 23rd day of September, 2003, hereby notifies all persons indebted to this Estate to come forward and to make settlement, and those having claims against this Estate to present them to the Co-Executor within the time prescribed by law, at the following address:

MARCIA MARIE SHIELDKNIGHT 14 Golden Circle Spearman, Texas 79081 Independent Co-Executor of the Estate of JIMMY SHIELDKNIGHT, Deceased 1(9-25-03)B

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Treasure & Tourism

Chambers hope to capitalize on geocaching

Editor's Note: The following article is being reprinted from the Sunday, August 24, 2003 edition of the Amarillo Globe-News. It was written by Kay Ledbetter.

A game, a sport or a tourism marketing tool. It doesn't matter what you call it, area cities are just glad to be "caching" in on geocaching.

Sometimes called GPS (Globe Positioning System) Stash Hunt or Global Positioning Stash, geocaching is an adventure game for GPS users that was created in 2000, and it is catching on as a marketing tool for area chamber of commerce officials.

The basic idea is to have individuals and organizations set up caches (hidden treasures) all over the world and share the locations of these caches on the Internet, according to a Web site.

GPS users can use location coordinates to find the caches. Each visitor is asked to leave something in place of something they take.

Visitors log into the geocaching Web site and find coordinates along their route. Once logged in, more than 30 caches can be found hidden within 100 miles of Amarillo, including

some around Canadian, Spearman, Stinnett, Amarillo, Plainview, Vega and into eastern New Mexico.

For instance, one cache is stashed at N 35 degrees 12.209 W 101 degrees 55.067 (Medical Center Park in Amarillo). An encrypted clue on the Internet tells visitors to "Look along the creekbed on the west side just past the northern bridge. The cache is in a small hole covered with rocks."

Visitors to the location are looking for a large silver Altoids box covered with a large plastic bag. The original contents included: Texas Geocoin, \$5 bill, key chain, pencil lead, calculator, Space Jam coin, Chuckie Cheese game tickets, pocket screwdriver, pencil, pen and logbook.

One of the visitors who logged onto the site Sunday said, "Found it took me awhile. ... Thanks for the cache. Once again I went somewhere I would have never gone if it weren't for geocaching."

That's just what area chamber officials are hoping for, as well as new visitors to their towns who will leave some dollars where they normally would not have visited.

Gina Gillespie, Spearman

Chamber of Commerce executive vice president, calls it "high-tech treasure hunting" and she plans to couple it with historical education.

She's going to have eight different sites on her cache page. Each one will have historical significance.

Each cache will have trinkets, post cards, even some discount coupons that promote area businesses.

"What we're going to do is find coordinates to where (Charles) Lindberg landed and our windmills are located," Gillespie said. "We'll do it to promote tourism."

She said the game is fun for people who want something to do along the way as they travel. And tourism marketers can keep track of how many extra visitors they get to an area.

"We're going to put in a camera and ask them to write down who they are and where they are from," Gillespie said.

She said they may find many visitors, such as Jimmy Vanlandingham, are actually from this region, but they may be visiting a town or site for the first time. It was Vanlandingham who told her about geocaching.

Vanlandingham, a gas com-

pany field technician from Spearman, said he started in May after relatives in the Dallas area talked about it, and he's already visited 10 sites.

He said there are 70 or 80 caches within a 125-mile radius of Spearman - a lot in Colorado and Oklahoma.

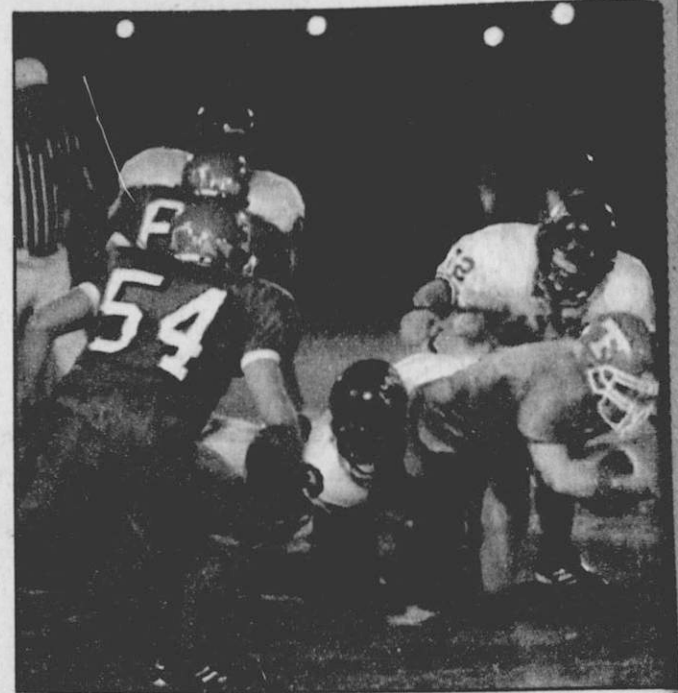
Vanlandingham said the Internet site is not always a good indicator of whether a cache is being visited because a lot of people sign the log at the cache, but don't sign back on the Internet.

One of his trips was to the Adobe Walls north of Stinnett in Hutchinson County during July, and it had around 60 people signed onto the log.

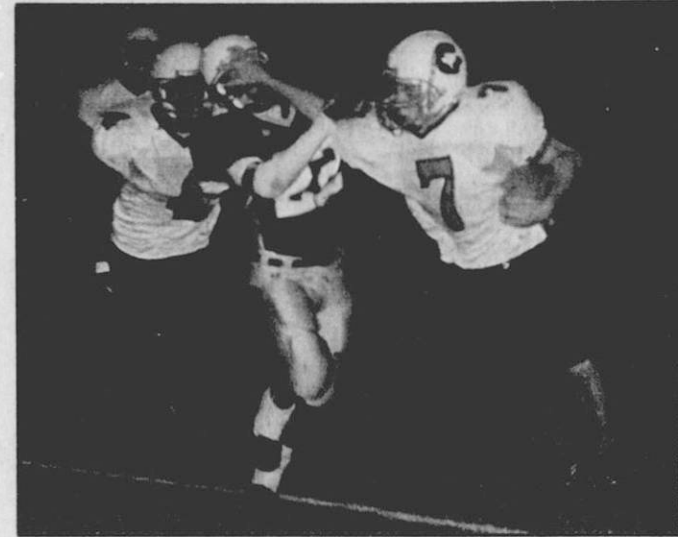
Gillespie said Adobe Walls isn't on a major highway for tourists, but the cache is helping attract attention to the area.

"We are definitely off the beaten path, which is our worst problem, but it's something we're trying to turn into our advantage," Gillespie said.

For more information, go to www.geocaching.com.



The Spearman Lynx defense sack the Texhoma Red Devil's quarterback during last Friday night's game in Texhoma. (Photo by Gary Smith)



Brock Irwin fends off a Hornet during Friday night's game against Highland Park. (Photo by Charlie Johnson)

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Frequently Asked Questions About Geocaching

What is Geocaching?

Geocaching is an entertaining adventure game for gps users. Participating in a cache hunt is a good way to take advantage of the wonderful features and capability of a gps unit. The basic idea is to have individuals and organizations set up caches all over the world and share the locations of these caches on the internet. GPS users can then use the location coordinates to find the caches. Once found, a cache may provide the visitor with a wide variety of rewards. All the visitor is asked to do is if they get something they should try to leave something for the cache.

What is a GPS device?

A GPS unit is an electronic device that can determine your approximate location (within around 6-20 feet) on the planet. Coordinates are normally given in Longitude and Latitude. You can use the unit to navigate from your current location to another location. Some units have their own maps, built-in electronic compasses, voice navigation, depending on the complexity of the device.

You don't need to know all the technical mumbo jumbo about GPS units to play Geocaching. All you need to do is be able to enter what is called a "waypoint" where the geocache is hidden. We're working on a section to help you set up your own GPS unit to play. In the meantime, feel free to ask questions in our online forums.

How do GPS devices work?

If you're interested in finding more information about Global Positioning Systems, check out GPS: The New Navigation by PBS. They have an excellent Shockwave and/or web page that explains how GPS works!

How do I use a GPS unit for Geocaching?

If you need to get a basic instruction on how to use a GPS unit, try the book GPS Made Easy: Using Global Positioning Systems in the Outdoors.

To play, you'll need to know

how to enter waypoints into your GPS unit. We're currently working on instructions for each particular GPS unit. In the meantime, your GPS should come with instructions on how to enter a waypoint. If you have any problems, try the online forums. There's always someone to help.

What are the rules in Geocaching?

Geocaching is a relatively new phenomenon. Therefore, the rules are very simple:

1. Take something from the cache; 2. Leave something in the cache; 3. Write about it in the logbook. Where you place a cache is up to you.

Where are caches found?

The location of a cache can be very entertaining indeed. As many say, location, location, location! The location of a cache demonstrates the founder's skill and possibly even daring. A cache located on the side of a rocky cliff accessible only by rock climbing equipment may be hard to find. An underwater cache may only be accessed by scuba. Other caches may require long difficult hiking, orienteering, and special equipment to get to. Caches may be located in cities both above and below ground, inside and outside buildings. The skillful placement of a small logbook in an urban environment may be quite challenging to find even with the accuracy of a gps. That little logbook may have a hundred dollar bill in it or a map to greater treasure. It could even contain clues or riddles to solve that may lead to other caches. Rich people could have fun with their money by making lucrative caches that could be better than winning the lottery when you find it. Just hope that the person that found the cache just before you left a real big prize!

Are there any variations in the game?

YES! We strongly encourage it, actually. Geocaching is a

game that constantly reinvents itself, and the rules are very flexible. If you have a new idea on how to place a cache, or a new game using GPS units, we'd love to hear about it.

Some examples -

* Offset Caches - They're not found by simply going to some coordinates and finding a cache there. With the Offset Cache the published coordinates are that of an existing historical monument, plaque, or even a benchmark that you would like to have your cache hunter visit. From this site the cache hunter must look around and find offset numbers stamped/written in or on some part of the marker site, or continue based on instructions posted to geocaching.com

* Multi-caches - The first cache gives coordinates (or partial coordinates) to the next location, or multiple caches have hints to the final cache.

* Virtual caches - A cache is actually an existing landmark, such as a tombstone or statue. You have to answer a question from the landmark and let the "cache" owner know as proof that you were there.

How long do caches exist?

It all depends on the location of the cache and its impact on the environment and the surrounding areas. Caches could be permanent, or temporary. It's up to the cache owner to periodically inspect the cache and the area to ensure that impact is minimal, if not nonexistent. When you find a cache, it's always a good idea to let the cache owner know the condition as well.

Periodically, Geocaching.com will review each cache to ensure that everything is still current. We cannot guarantee that a cache will exist at any given time, but we'll do our best to ensure the list is as current as possible.

If you do find that a cache is missing/defaced, please let the cache owner know as soon as possible!

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October 9

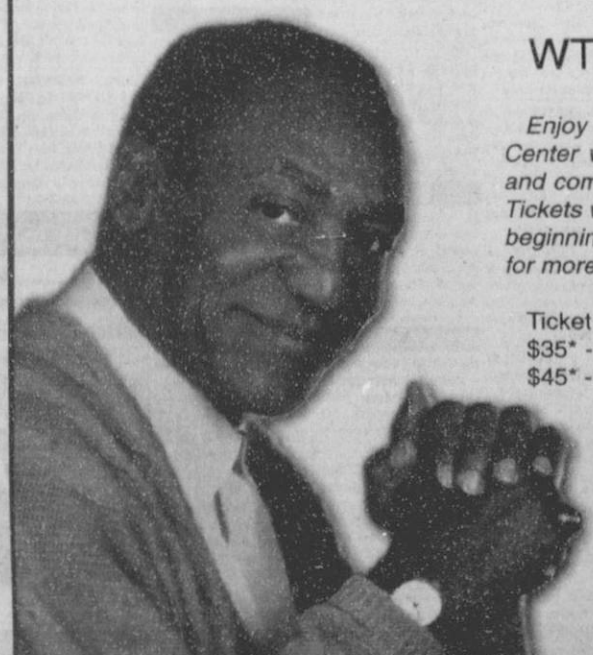
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WTAMU Event Center

Enjoy an evening in the still-new Event Center with the Emmy-award winning actor and comedian sharing his insightful comedy. Tickets will be available to the general public beginning September 8. Call (806) 651-1414 for more information.

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*taxes and service charge apply



NOTICE OF GRUVER INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT CHAPTER 41 WEALTH EQUALIZATION ELECTION

(CAPITULO 41 ELECCION CUADAL DE IGUALACION)

To the Registered Voters of Gruver Independent School District, Gruver, Texas:

(A los votantes registrados del Gruver Independent School District, Gruver, Texas)

Notice is hereby given that the polling places listed below will be open from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m., on October 11, 2003, at Gruver Jr. High library, for voting on a Chapter 41 Wealth Equalization Election.

(Notifiquese, por las presente, las casillas electorales sitados abajo se abirán desde las 7 a.m. hasta las 7 p.m., el 11 de Octubre de 2003, en la librería de Jr. High, Gruver, para votar en las elecciones Capitulo 41 Eleccion Cuadal de Igualacion.)

LOCATION(S) OF POLLING PLACES

(DIRECCIONE(S) DE LAS CASILLAS ELECTORALES)

Early voting by personal appearance will be conducted each weekday at Gruver Business Office, 601 Garrett, Gruver, Texas between the hours of 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. beginning on September 26, 2003 and ending on October 9, 2003. (La votacion adelantada en persona se llevara a cabo de lunes a vicernes en Gruver Business Office, 601 Garrett, Gruver, Texas entre las 8 de la mañana y las 4 de la tarde empezando el 26 de Septiembre de 2003, y terminando el 09 de Octubre de 2003.)

Applications for ballot by mail should be mailed to: Randy Reid, PO Box 650, Gruver, Texas 79040.

(Las solicitudes para loletas que se votaran en ausencia por correo deberan enviarse a: Randy Reid, PO Box 650, Gruver, Texas 79040.)

Applications for ballots by mail must be received no later than the close of business on October 3, 2003.

(Las solicitudes para boletas que se votaran en ausencia por correo deberan recibirse para el fin de las horas de negocio el 3 de Octubre de 2003.)