

IN THE NEWS

Rice confident of Iran referral to U.N. Council
U.S. Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice said on Tuesday she was confident of Russia and China's support to send Iran's nuclear case to the U.N. Security Council but she expected differences over exactly what steps to take.

US Iraq casualties ease amid drop in rebel attacks
The death toll among U.S. troops in Iraq dropped back to average levels in December and January after a bloody autumn, and U.S. officials said on Tuesday insurgent attacks have been waning since October.

Iran prepares for nuclear enrichment
The U.N. nuclear watchdog confirmed on Tuesday that Iran had begun preparing for nuclear enrichment, which can make fuel for bombs, and continued to hinder a probe of unanswered questions about Iran's atomic aims.

Bush says U.S. addicted to oil
President Bush said on Tuesday "America is addicted to oil" and must change its ways in a State of the Union speech that promised aggressive U.S. engagement around the world in defiance of critics.

Democrat tells Bush there's a 'better way'
"There is a better way" to deal with the challenges confronting the nation, Timothy Kaine of Virginia, a brand-new Democratic governor of a conservative southern state, said on Tuesday in his party's response to the president's State of the Union address.

Connecticut rebels against Bush education policy
The Bush administration's "No Child Left Behind" policy will lead to "dumbing down" tests in public schools because Washington has not fully funded the policy, the state of Connecticut said in a court hearing on Tuesday to try to block the program.

Bush gives State of Union
President Bush forcefully defended his Iraq policy Tuesday night, telling Congress that even those who oppose the war have no choice now but to support efforts toward victory.

Coretta Scott King dies
It was Coretta Scott King's determined activism after her husband's assassination in 1968 that admirers noted Tuesday on learning of her death at age 78.

Goodbye: Another rate hike
As expected, the Federal Reserve boosted interest rates again Tuesday, Chairman Alan Greenspan's last day in office. The policymaking Federal Open Market Committee pushed its target for the federal funds rate up another quarter percentage point to 4.5%.

Alito confirmed, sworn in
Samuel Alito, who once said the Constitution doesn't protect the right to an abortion, won a swing seat Tuesday on the Supreme Court.

Woodruff, Vogt transferred
ABC News co-anchor Bob Woodruff and cameraman Doug Vogt left Germany Tuesday on a military plane bound for the United States, where they will receive further treatment for their injuries from a bomb blast in Iraq.

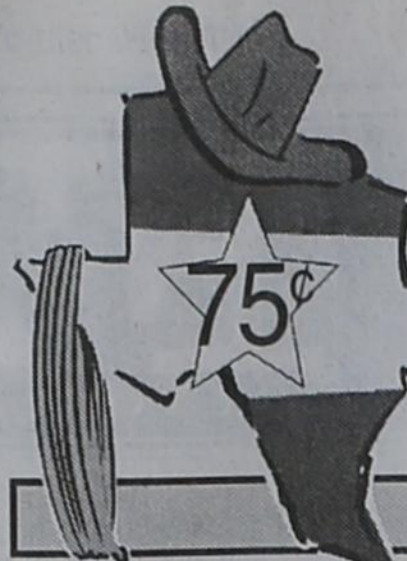
Medicaid kids more obese
Children covered by Medicaid are nearly six times more likely to be treated for severe obesity than children with private insurance, a research firm said.

Saddam, defense boycott trial
Saddam Hussein and four co-accused refused to attend their trial on Wednesday, along with their defense team, who said they would not return to court until the chief judge they accuse of bias resigns.

Iran rejects nuclear pressure
President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad on Wednesday angrily rejected international pressure on Iran over its nuclear ambitions after U.S. President George W. Bush vowed to prevent it making an atomic bomb.

Israeli forces, settlers clash at W.Bank outpost
Israeli riot police clashed with stone-throwing settlers trying to block the demolition of part of an unauthorized Jewish outpost in the West Bank in violent scenes reminiscent of Israel's Gaza pullout.

Hamas rejects Bush's call to disarm
Hamas rejected on Wednesday U.S. President George W. Bush's latest call to disarm following the Islamic militant group's crushing victory over the long-dominant Fatah faction in last week's Palestinian parliamentary election.



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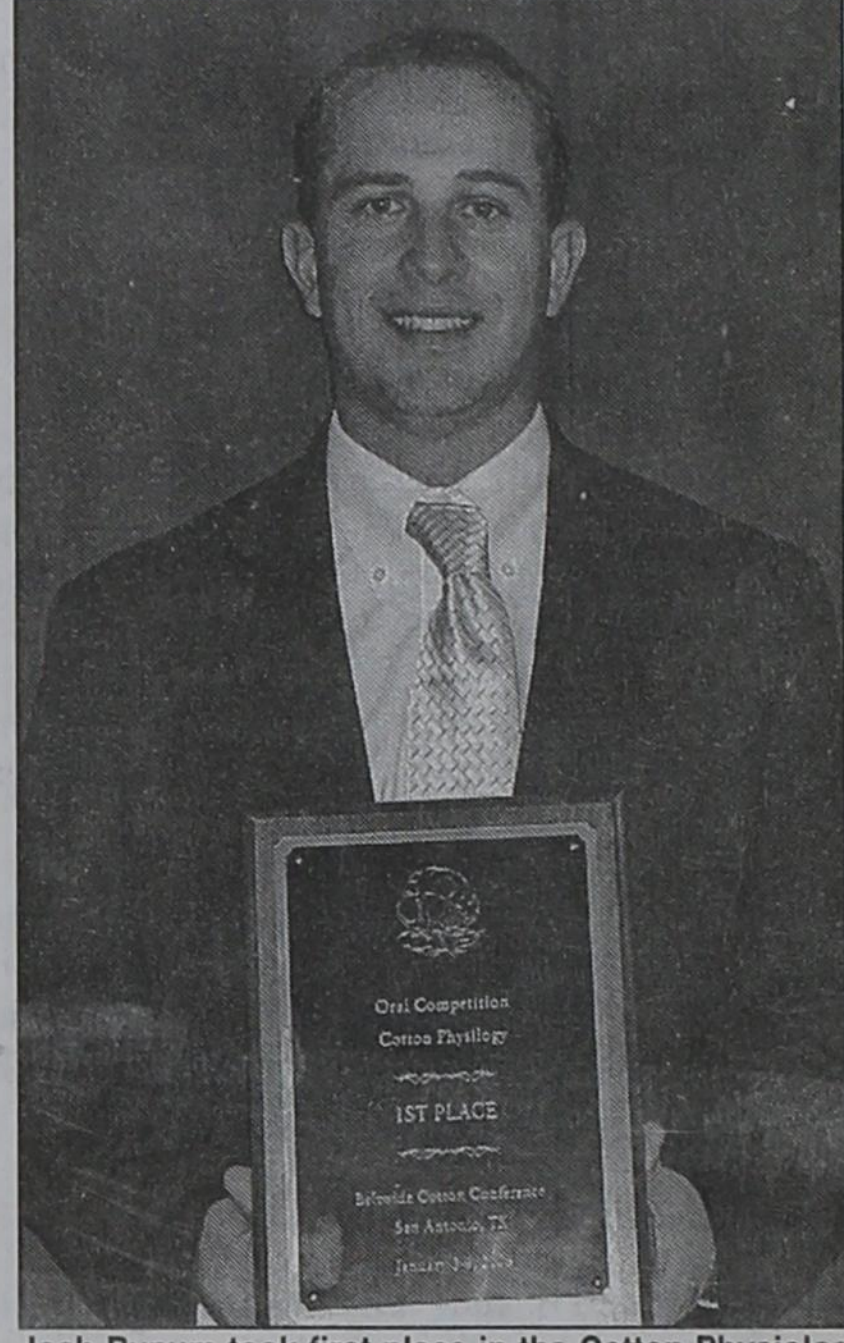
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THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 2006



Spearman High School celebrated the 2005-2006 Basketball Homecoming on Friday, January 27th by naming Tabatha Shields as Homecoming Queen and Carlos Baca as Homecoming King. (See page 8 for related story.)

Bynum receives award



Josh Bynum took first place in the Cotton Physiology Oral Competition at the Beltwide Cotton Conference in San Antonio.

The Beltwide Cotton Conference was held on Jan. 3 - Jan. 6 in San Antonio, Texas.

Josh Bynum competed against 17 other graduate students from North Carolina State Univ., Univ. of Arkansas, Univ. of Georgia, Louisiana State University, Mississippi State Univ., Texas Tech Univ., and others from Texas A&M. The competition was in the Cotton Physiology Conference and was in the form of an oral presentation.

Josh, a Research Associate in Cotton Physiology Research Group at Texas A&M University, presented "Harvest-Aid Performance and Rainfastness of WP and SC Formulations of Dropp". This was the result of a three year field research study he conducted at Texas A&M.

Josh received a cash award and plaque from Monsanto Company for his presentation.

The Beltwide Cotton Conferences speed the transfer of new technology to U.S. cotton producers and other industry members with the goal of strengthening U.S. cotton's competitive position in the world marketplace and enhancing industry members' profitability.

Coordinated by the National Cotton Council (NCC) and its cooperating partners, this annual forum is recognized as the global champion for cotton technology transfer. Three days of individual reports, panel discussions, hands-on workshops and seminars are designed to enlighten industry members about the latest research developments and their practical applications in cotton production and processing. The 600-plus reports are subsequently made available on CD-ROM and online.

While cotton industry members recognize the wealth and range of information made available through these reports, they also gain valuable information from fellow attendees - cotton producers, processors, scientists, extension personnel, consultants, agribusiness representatives and others. This dialogue among all who have a vested stake in a healthy U.S. cotton sector helps industry members tailor new products and production/processing systems to their operations for maximum efficiency.

The Conferences' success can be attributed to the alliance of the NCC and its many partners. Federal and state agricultural experiment stations, the Cooperative Extension Service, universities, USDA, Cotton Foundation members, news media and other regional and national cotton organizations all play an essential role in helping to increase U.S. cotton industry productivity.

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The Panhandle Regional Cotton Conference hosted by Texas Cooperative Extension will be held Feb. 7 at the Texas A&M University System Research and Extension Center at 6500 Amarillo Blvd. West.

Registration begins at 7:30 a.m. and the program will last most of the day, said Danny Nusser, Extension agriculture agent in Randall County. Six and one-half continuing education units for private, non commercial and commercial pesticide applicators have been requested.

The program will feature speakers and topics related to cotton production, marketing, policy, quality and maturity issues, Nusser said.

The featured speaker will be Dr. John Bradley, account manager and consultant for Beltwide Cotton Genetics. He will present

Implementing Conservation Tillage Cotton on Your Farm and Applying Fertilizer to Your Conservation Tillage Cotton.

Dr. Randy Boman, Extension cotton specialist, will discuss weed control, transgenic technologies and current research. He also will discuss the role of cotton varieties in maturity and quality of cotton.

Other speakers discussing topics related to cotton quality and maturity are:

Dustin Gaskin, Extension risk management specialist, budget projections for dryland and irrigated cotton, and the bottom line difference in improving cotton quality;

Dr. Greta Schuster, Extension specialist-integrated pest management, impact of controlling insect and disease pests on cotton maturity and quality;

Leon New, Extension engineer-irrigation, irrigation system efficiencies and water management

strategies;

Dr. John Robinson, Extension cotton marketing specialist from College Station, current trends and policies related to cotton, as well as marketing strategies and future projections for the cotton market; and

Randy Darnell, cotton producer in the Amarillo area, stripping cotton and building modules, including examples of proper ways to get cotton to the gin with reduced losses.

We hope that area producers will take advantage of this progressive cotton program and will join us on Feb. 7, Nusser said.

Anyone with questions about the program or the topics planned should call Nusser at the Randall County Extension office at (806) 468-5543 or the local Extension agent.

Gruver Junior Livestock Practice Show held

The Gruver Jr. Livestock held the practice show Sunday, January 29, 2006 at the county barn.

STEER Class I

1. Brenna Reid, 2. Callie Stedje

Class II

1. Wil McCloy, 2. Taylor Williams, 3. Tucker Willia

Class III

1. Rachelle Holt, 2. Rachelle Holt, 3. Jimmilee McCloy

Grand Champion - Rachelle Holt

Reserve Grand Champion - Rachelle Holt

Junior Showmanship - Brenna Reid

Senior Showmanship - Taylor Williams

LAMBS Class I

1. Callie Stedje, 2. Wil McCloy, 3. Sabrina Butman, 4. Bailey Stedje

Class II

1. Rachelle Holt, 2. Jessica Schmidt, 3. Makenzie Crane, 4. Jimmilee McCloy, 5. Travis Stedje

Grand Champion - Callie Stedje

Reserve Grand Champion - Rachelle Holt

Junior Showmanship - Wil McCloy

Senior Showmanship - Jessica Schmidt

SWINE Light Duroc

1. Chandler Miner, 2. Charles

Slough, 3. Cason Finley

Breed Champion - Chandler Miner

Reserve Breed Champion - Charles Slough

Light Hamp

1. Trenton Finley, 2. Tanner Sherrill, 3. Carson Williams

Heavy Hamp

1. Travis McDowell, 2. Ashlynn Miner, 3. Sabrina Butman

Breed Champion - Travis McDowell

Reserve Breed Champion - Ashlynn Miner

York

Breed Champion - Justin Thompson

Spot

Breed Champion - Tyler Stedje

Chester

Breed Champion - Timber Barkley

Light Crosses

1. Seth Thompson, 2. Taylor Williams, 3. Coley Ruebush

Medium Crosses

1. Timber Barkley, 2. Travis McDowell, 3. Tanner Sherrill

Breed Champion - Seth Thompson

Reserve Breed Champion - Timber Barkley

Grand Champion - Tyler Stedje

Reserve Grand Champion - Seth Thompson

Junior Showmanship - Coley Ruebush

Senior Showmanship - Seth Thompson

Sheriff Gary Evans Issues Appeal to Citizens in Fight Against Crime

Responding to the increased number of citizens wanting to assist law enforcement officials and build a stronger partnership in the fight against crime, Sheriff Gary Evans today announced that Hansford County citizens are being invited to become Associate Members of the Sheriffs' Association of Texas.

Membership invitations will go out in the mail shortly. The funding provides critically technical resources, training, and legislative support on key criminal justice issues.

In addition, dues will be used to support crime prevention and awareness programs, promote public safety, fight drug abuse, provide additional training for sheriffs and their deputies, and provide scholarships for children of law enforcement officers.

Contributions are tax-deductible. "The Associate Membership Drive helps provide funding which is vital to helping carry out our mission of making our communities safer places to live, work and play," said Sheriff Evans.

Citizens not receiving a membership appeal or desiring more information can contact the Sheriffs' Association of Texas at: 1601 S. JJ-35, Austin, TX 78741 www.txsheriffs.org

The Associate Membership Program was created to provide citizens with an opportunity to lend their support to more effective law enforcement and to better help local Sheriffs protect the lives and property of citizens.

"As the need for building

stronger public-private law enforcement partnerships in this country continues to escalate, programs such as this continue to grow in importance," said Sheriff Evans. "I encourage every citizen receiving a membership appeal to consider joining forces with us by becoming an Associate Member. It is a valuable investment in our future."

Founded in 1874, the Sheriff's Association of Texas is a non-profit professional and educational organization dedicated to the

preservation of peace and the protection of the lives and property of the citizens of Texas. Mr. Steve M. Westbrook serves as the Executive Director. Headquarters are located in Austin, Texas. The Sheriffs' Association of Texas **does not** make solicitations by telephone. If you receive a phone call from someone who uses the Sheriffs' Association of Texas name, please report it to your local Sheriff or county/district Attorney.

LOCAL WEATHER FORECAST

THURSDAY NIGHT - Partly cloudy. Lows in the lower 30s. North winds around 10 mph.

FRIDAY - Partly cloudy in the morning then clearing. Highs in the mid 50s. Northwest winds 10 to 15 mph.

FRIDAY NIGHT - Mostly clear. Lows in the mid 20s. North winds 10 to 15 mph.

SATURDAY - Mostly sunny. Highs in the upper 50s. Northwest winds around 10 mph shifting to the west in the afternoon.

SATURDAY NIGHT - Mostly clear in the evening then becoming partly cloudy. Lows in the mid 20s.

SUNDAY - Partly cloudy. Breezy. Highs in the upper 50s.

SUNDAY NIGHT - Partly cloudy. Breezy. Lows in the lower 20s.

MONDAY - Partly cloudy in the morning then clearing. Highs in the mid 50s.

MONDAY NIGHT - Increasing clouds. Lows in the lower 20s.

TUESDAY - Partly cloudy. Highs in the mid 50s.

DEADLINE NOTICE

The deadline to submit news and advertising to the Hansford County Reporter-Statesman is Monday at 5 p.m. Items submitted after the deadline will be published at a later date, as time and space permit.

For more information, please contact Catherine Smith at 659-3434, or e-mail me at cathysmith@antden.com.

Live,
Laugh &
Love

by Catherine R. Smith
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My dear friend Brenton Haworth sent me the following, entitled "How to Stay Young". I don't know who wrote it, but it has some very good advise. Enjoy.

How to Stay Young

1. Try everything twice. On Madams tombstone (of Whelan's and Madam) she said she wanted this epitaph: Tried everything twice...loved it both times!
2. Keep only cheerful friends. The grouches pull you down. (keep this in mind if you are one of those grouches)
3. Keep learning: Learn more about the computer, crafts, gardening, whatever. Never let the brain get idle. "An idle mind is the devil's workshop." And the devil's name is Alzheimer's!
4. Enjoy the simple things.
5. Laugh often, long and loud. Laugh until you gasp for breath. And if you have a friend who makes you laugh, spend lots and Lots of time with HIM/HER.
6. The tears happen: Endure, grieve, and move on. The only person who is with us our entire life, is ourselves. LIVE while you are alive.
7. Surround yourself with what you love: Whether it's family, pets, keepsakes, music, plants, hobbies, whatever. Your home is your refuge.
8. Cherish your health: If it is good, preserve it. If it is unstable, improve it. If it is beyond what you can improve, get help.
9. Don't take guilt trips. Take a trip to the mall, even to the next county, to a foreign country, but NOT to where the guilt is.
10. Tell the people you love that you love them, at every opportunity.
11. Forgive now those who made you cry. You might not get a second time.

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 his countenance upon you, and give you peace.
Numbers 6:24-26
Catherine :)

Words from Faith & Grace

by Cecil R. Biggers, Lutheran Lay Minister
The 5th week in Epiphany brings us to a study of Isaiah 40:21-31, Psalm 147:1-11,20, 1 Corinthians 9:16-23, and Mark 1:29-39.
Isaiah tells us of the nature of God and the believer, "The Lord is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth. He does not faint or grow weary; his understanding is unsearchable...But those who wait for the Lord shall renew their strength, they shall mount up with wings like eagles, they shall run and not be weary, they shall walk and not faint".
The Psalmist continues this theme poetically. Isaiah and the Psalmist have 'discovered' the greatness of God and how great the life of the believer is when one 'lives in' God.
Paul continues to teach the Corinthians about the life of the believer by giving his concept of ministry. It is a privilege to serve Jesus Christ; yet, if one believes, it is also a duty. Do we serve for a salary? No, we serve for the satisfaction of a job well done. (Paul does not mean that our Pastors should not be paid, but that earthly "pay" is not why we are called). To be effective in spreading the gospel, we must be able to understand 'all' people; we must have the ability to identify with others. An unreformed snob will never be effective in evangelism; to be effective we must reflect the love of our Creator and display the joy of service with Him.
In the gospels there are sixteen healing miracles, Mark speaks of ten. This miracle shows us the quiet greatness of Jesus Christ. Jesus healed Peter's mother-in-law, not to be seen by the crowds; but because she was in need. The 'fever' described in Mark was a common, but debilitating illness of that era. There was a prescribed "cure" in Jesus' day involving ritual and display; Jesus healed directly. The disciples were discovering how wonderful life could be when lived with Jesus and how Jesus could relieve their troubles.
May the Holy Spirit allow you to discover the greatness of God in your life and allow you to invite others to "come see."

Open Letter

On behalf of the City of Spearman, I would like to invite the citizens of our community to help us honor Steve Benton and his wife, Sherri, at a reception on February 8th from 4:00 to 6:00 pm at City Hall.
Steve has served on the City Council of Spearman since 1991 and as Mayor since 2000. During this time, he has done an excellent job representing the citizens, and has provided strength and stability to the Council. His input and involvement will be greatly missed.
Please join us in honoring Steve at this come and go reception.
Sincerely,
Brian Gillispie, Mayor
City of Spearman

Thank You

The family of Irvin Davis would like to **Thank You** for the Happy Celebration on his 80th Birthday Party. Your cards, calls, and hugs were appreciated. God Bless each of you
The Davis Family

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS AND PARTIES:

Windstar, Inc. dba Adobe Walls Gin has applied to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) for issuance of Air Quality Permit No. 77816 which would authorize construction of a Cotton Gin located near Spearman, 1.8 miles east of Highway 207 on Highway 51 in Hansford County, Texas. Additional information concerning this application is contained in the public notice section of this newspaper.

A TODAS LAS PERSONAS Y PARTES INTERESADAS:

Windstar, Inc. dba Adobe Walls Gin ha solicitado a la Comisión de Calidad Ambiental de Texas (TCEQ) Num. 77816 para autorizar un Permiso Calidad Atmosférica, que autoriza la construcción de una ginebra de algodón localizaron cerca de Spearman, 1.8 millas al este de la carretera 207 en la carretera 51 en el Hansford Condado, Texas. En la sección de avisos PÚBLICOS de este periódico se encuentra información adicional de esta solicitud.

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DeLaCruz Medical Fund

If you wish to contribute to help with the burial expenses for Phil DeLaCruz you may do so by sending to the following fund: Felix DeLaCruz Special Account, %H&H Credit Union, PO Box 1187, Stinnett, Texas 79083. Thank you and God bless you!

Medical Fund Established

A medical fund has been set up for the Al Smith family at First State Bank, Spearman. For more information call 659-2783.

Spearman Chamber sets Annual Banquet

The annual Chamber of Commerce banquet will be held on Saturday, March 4th, 2006 at the O'Loughlin Center. Motivational speaker, Steve Gilliland, will return again as this years speaker. Tickets are now on sell at the Spearman Chamber of Commerce office. The cost is \$20.00 per person or \$150.00 per table.

You're Never Alone - Narcotics Anonymous Group

Each year individuals struggling with drug and alcohol addiction make the resolution to quit using drugs. For many of them it is a resolution that they cannot keep. Narcotics Anonymous can help. Open meetings are held on Thursday nights from 8-9 p.m. at the First Christian Church (29 S. Bernice in Spearman) for the "You're Never Alone" group of Narcotics Anonymous. Anyone interested is invited to attend. Drug addiction can leave an individual feeling helpless and out of control.

Panhandle Crisis Center Outreach Office

Panhandle Crisis Center (PCC) has an Outreach Office in the Pittman-Shieldknight Building, 511 SW 11th Avenue, Suite 105, in Spearman. In case of emergencies, please continue to call the hotline, 1-800-753-5308. To schedule an appointment with a worker in Hansford County, please call 659-3391 to leave a message, or call the hotline number above. Panhandle Crisis Center serves victims of domestic violence and sexual assault. Please call for more information regarding PCC's services.

Prairie Rivers Musical

The Prairie Rivers Musical is featured on the 3rd Saturday of each month (October through April) at Canadian Middle School. There is no admission charge. For information, call (806) 323-6213.

FUMC hosts women's Bible study

The First United Methodist Church of Spearman will host a new women's Bible study beginning February 6th. The study will be "He Speaks to Me: Preparing to Hear from God," by author and speaker Priscilla Shirer. This seven-week study will require approximately three hours of homework each week. The meeting format is similar to the Beth Moore studies: class discussion followed by Priscilla's videomessage. Classes will be offered at 9 a.m. and 7 p.m. each Monday. Pre-registration should be done by calling the First United Methodist Church office at 659-5503, by February 1st.

Booster Club Spring Sports Cookie Social

The Lynx & Lynxette Booster Club is sponsoring a Spring Sports Cookie Social on Wednesday, February 22nd from 5:30-6 p.m. in the Spearman High School cafeteria. The Booster Club would like to invite everyone to come out and meet the Lynx & Lynxettes Tennis, Track and Golf teams.

Crisis Center Needs Volunteers

The Panhandle Crisis Center is in need of volunteers to work at its donation center one to three hours, one day a week, sorting clothing and other donated items. The crisis center gives the items donated to the center to its clients free of charge. To volunteer, contact Janice at the crisis center, 435-5008.

American Legion to Meet

The American Legion Post 254 and Auxiliary will meet on Monday Feb. 6 at the Senior Citizen Center at 7 p.m. Fried chicken will be served.

Employee of the Year

The Spearman Rotary Club is again seeking nominations for "Employee of the Year." This award will be presented at the Spearman Chamber Banquet on March 4, 2006. Nomination s should include a short written note giving the employee's name and why he or she should receive the award. Nominations should be mailed to Ginger Turner, First State Bank, PO Box 247, Spearman TX 79081, or given to any Rotary Club member.



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March 23 & 24	Monday, March 13th
April 6 & 7	Monday, March 27th
April 20 & 21	Monday, April 10th
May 4 & 5	Monday, April 24th
May 18 & 19	Monday, May 8th

For more information on listing cattle, please contact your local representative: Carson Womble
Home - 806-659-2306 Cell - 806-898-8448

Happy Birthday!

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

Thank you, Catherine

February 2
Birthday - Sergio Favala Jr., Margie Boone, Michael T. Davis, Sheila Brand, Grace McDade, Nadine Bishard, Connie Garcia, Cayla Simon, Toby Thompson

Anniversary - Jeff & Chris Spencer, Bill & Dalene Baker, Louis & Mary Miesner

February 3
Birthday - Jerry Kiser, Joanne Hays, Kelly Davis, Jr. Hart, Pip Craig, Glenna Dibbern, Todd Ware, Donna Roberts, Beth Baker, Jerry Laird, Roy Dee Martin, Evelyn Burch, Traci Cliff

Anniversary - M/M Shawn Cook, Bob & Candy Boxwell, M/M Jose Salgado

February 4
Birthday - Mary Dawn Henson, Bill Logsdon, Argelia Rodriguez, Heath Tolleson, Misty Barnes, Roy Lee Uptergrove, Linda Davis, Dale Hendrick, Tina Marie Jenkins, Andres Ortiz, Chris Evans, Cynthia Goodman, Ted Widener, Joan Farr, Bonnie Ball, Landri Burnam, Samantha Myatt

Anniversary - M/M Nick Jordan, Lenis & Holly Simpson

February 5
Birthday - Rose Lopez, Jerry Tipps, Kym Williams, Dorothy Cator, Reba Phillips, Cody Pipkin, Theron Spencer, Zachary McCammond, Matt Watlington, Matison Jones, George DeSantiago, Larue Mayo, Julie Richter, Larry Murphy

February 6
Birthday - Erica Blount, Larry Irbeck, Mrs. Nell Patterson, Carlos Espinosa, Cora Lesly, Ruben Vera, Bradly Laxton, Ofelia Zamora, Courtney Jo Myers, Betty Allen, Kimberly LaFarr, Becky Brown, Moses Lomeli, Tammie Purvines

Anniversary - M/M Jeff Hohertz, Patsy & Jerry Hunt, M/M Curt Fitzgearld

February 7
Birthday - Alicia Barkley, Chris Johnson, Buddy Lowe, Mike Stedje, Monique Yancy, Virginia Poole, Tracy Taylor, Calvin Pearson, Jill Havens, Kay Atkinson, Michelle Bass, Janice Noble, Dustin Mackie, Sara Eisfeld

February 8
Birthday - Louise Etter, Bobby Mosier, Ben Vaughn, Domingo Salazar III, Verlin Beck, Dorothy Karns, Jesse Brisenio, Verlene Bass, Zachary Logsdon, Sue Watts

Anniversary - M/M Tony Herndon

February 9
Birthday - Loren Dahl, Andy Hoel, Elena Salazar, Carole Hall, Sara Avila, Paula Garza, Doris Breedon, Jackie Pearson, Linda Rodriguez, Lori Williams, Rossetta Barrera, Michelle Laughlin, Armando Borunda, Drew Mireles, Betty Scribner

Anniversary - M/M Martin Ochoa, Bill & Alice Miller, M/M

Cecil Reynolds, M/M Dwayne TeBeest

February 10
Birthday - Karen Cotter, Mark Irwin, Tammy White, Robbie Cator, Mary Ann Lasater, J. Travis Garnett, Evelina Martinez, Gregory Brand, Jimmy McLeod, Charles West, Fanetta Pierce, Josie Holt, Debbie Eslick, Karen Schnell

Anniversary - M/M Perry Dixon

February 11
Birthday - Angie Clawson, Craig Schuman, Kari Lou Russell, Joan McClellan, Denise Harbour, Lillian Cooksey, Roy Harbour, Leigh Anne Winger, Addie Williams, Sloan Dominguez, Leo Cummings

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

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

February 13
Birthday - Rick Barkley, Rosi Chisum, Kristi Williams, Sherry Lee, Richard Ooley, Bill Watson, Catalina Espinosa, Esther Vargas, Mari Ann Bartimos, Maura Gaspar

Anniversary - M/M Eddy Rojas

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 - M/M Kip Francis, M/M Roney Clark, Ricky & Cindy Dowdy, Hal & Jeanie Bennett, Terry & Tammy Burch, M/M Omar Sutton, M/M Salomon Tarango, M/M Tony Swink, M/M Rod Holland, M/M Delfino Parra, Rev. & Rev. Joseph Weeks, 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, Steve Hartgraves

Anniversary - M/M Hoyt Biles, M/M Jim Norton

February 16
Birthday - 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 - M/M Jesus Espinosa, M/M Charles Chritton, M/M Augustine Mejia, M/M Bobby Hohertz, M/M Gene Fletcher, Eschol & Eulalia Blankenship

Manor Matters

by Merry Sparks

It has been such a busy season that we are trying to get caught up around here but it isn't working. We have four new Residents and we have had many, many things going on.

Many thanks go out to the Primera Iglesia Bautista Church for bringing services on the 15th of Jan. and Church of Christ of Gruver on the 22nd and the Lutheran & Presbyterian on the 29th. How wonderful you are to ever keep our elders on your minds and to honor them by bringing services to them at the Manor!!

We have had such a variety of activities going on that it will take me a while to catch you up on all of them. We had a great Sing Along on the 17th, Trivia on the 16th, and manicures the afternoon of the 17th. We had several volunteers helping with manicures. Thank you to one and all. It makes it possible to serve every Resident that wants one.

Anne Whitaker has been faithful to lead Bible studies all through January for which we are grateful. I just know that she is getting more joyful in her crown. The Residents enjoy her bible study.

Xi Zeta has sponsored Monday night bingo throughout January. We appreciate all of you!! The Residents look forward to Monday night bingo. It is special because so many different people from our community come to visit them and help them with bingo-(not to men-

tion the desserts that they bring) Thank you for your service !!

Of course the faithful auxiliary hosts bingo every Thursday afternoon. That is a special time for the Residents also because so many friendships have been formed down through the years with the Residents and auxiliary members because they come so often to help with so many different activities. Thank you each one!!

We continue to have the Newscurrants program on Monday mornings. It is informative and keeps us in touch with world events up close and personal. Monday afternoons have been spent with some sewing and some playing dominoes and cards. There is so much competition around here!! I don't necessarily mean the Residents either!! The staff is right in the middle of it along with the Residents. Why, you can hear Ernestina squeal all the way down the hall when the Residents beat her at Skip-Bo!!

The morning of the 24th we took a group of Residents to Perryton to take advantage of Bealls Senior Citizen Discount day and then back to the Manor for Resident Council Meeting. That evening the Church of Christ brought chicken fried steak and all the trimmings for Christian Buffet. Boy did everyone have a feast that night. Thank you to the Church of Christ of Spearman for the excellent food.

The Residents have been working on valentines during craft time on Wednesday afternoons. Valentine's Day is shortly around the corner. We are having secret valentines again this year. It keeps the Residents guessing who their valentine will be and makes it so much fun!! You are invited to the Valentine party on Feb. 14th at 2:30 when we will reveal the secret valentines and crown our new King and Queen of Hansford Manor. Ballot boxes will be put out the week of Feb. 6th through the 11th. Come by and vote for the King and Queen of you choice!!

The afternoon of the 27th was spent hearing hair raising stories told by the Residents at the Tall Tales meeting in the living room. Stories were told of dating, hunting, and bears. In between their stories that kept the other Residents spellbound, Janie & Ernie threw in

their 25 cents!! What fun !!

Last but certainly not least, on the 20th Janie, Joel Lee Lackey, Jr. Sparks, Wesley Jarvis, and Steve Mathews kept the Residents entertained for the afternoon with their music for the birthday celebration. The auxiliary came with arm loads of pies that they served. We sang happy birthday to Joyce Crum who was our one and only birthday girl of the day. As bad luck would have it she was under the weather and unable to come to the party. We tried to eat our part of the pies and soak up our part of the music. We appreciate the band and the auxiliary greatly!! You are so special !!

We also have had our regular exercise classes as well as beginning Olympic practice for our Winter Olympics at Hansford Manor that is scheduled for March 17th.

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 Pastor - Roland Haney</p> <p>First Assembly of God
 401 N. Bernice • 659-2295
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 Worship: 10:35 a.m.
 Kid's Church: 10:35 a.m.
 Evening Worship: 6 p.m.
 Wed. Worship: 7 p.m.
 Wed. Youth: 7
 Pastor - Bob Elder</p> <p>First Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)
 29 S. Bernice • 659-2036
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 Worship: 10:50 a.m.
 Minister - Gary Smith</p> <p>First Baptist Church
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 Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.
 Worship: 11 a.m.
 Evening Worship: 7 p.m.
 Men's Bible Study - Wed., 7 a.m.
 Children's Choir - Wed., 6 p.m.
 Adult Choir - Wed., 7 p.m.
 Wed. Bible Study: 7 p.m.
 Pastor - Jim Medley</p> <p>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.
 Minister - Leonard Harper</p> | <p>Sacred Heart Catholic Church
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 Sun. Mass: 9 a.m. - English
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 1:30 p.m. - Gruver - Christo Renteria
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 Rev. Guillermo Morales</p> <p>First United Methodist
 407 S. Haney • 659-5503
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 Worship: 8:30 & 11 a.m.
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 High School: 6 p.m. Sunday
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 Pastor - Derrel Ewins</p> <p>Grace Presbyterian Church (Worshippers with Faith Lutheran Church)
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 Worship: 10:45 a.m.
 Evening Worship: 6 p.m.
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 Worship: 11 a.m.
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 502 E. 7th • 659-3991
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 Evening: 6 p.m.
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 Pastor Joe Garcia Jr.</p> <p>El Aposento Alto U.P.C.I.
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 Culto Evangelistico - 7 p.m.
 Jueves: Oracion - 8 p.m.
 Mier: Estudio Biblico - 7 p.m.
 Pastor - A.G. Martell
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 Broadway & Garrett
 733-2651
 Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.
 Worship: 8:30 & 10:50 a.m.
 Eve. Worship & UMY: 6 p.m.
 Pastor - George Price</p> <p>Spanish Cristo Redentor Church
 Sunday Mass: 1:30 p.m.
 Friday Evening Mass
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 6 Miles West & 12 Miles North of Gruver
 339-7709
 Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.
 Worship: 11 a.m.
 Pastor - Paul Fiske</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Waka</p> <p>Waka Church of the Brethren
 435-4598</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Morse</p> <p>Morse Baptist Church
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College Corner

Amarillo College

Amarillo college named 352 students to the fall 2005 honor roll. Students on the list must have been enrolled in 12 or more hours in academic courses and have earned a grade point average of 3.6 or higher. Included on the honor roll from Spearman are Erik Diaz and Samuel Hemdon.

McMurry University

McMurry University announced that the following students have been named to the Fall 2005 Dean's List and Dean's Honor. To be eligible for the Dean's List, a student must have maintained at least a 3.5 grade point average while taking 12 or more credit hours. To be eligible for the Dean's Honor Roll, a student must complete 6-11 hours with a least a 3.5 grade point average. Students qualifying for the Dean's List are: Spearman- Adam McLinley Cherry, Accounting; Ryan Martin McDaniel, Freshman, Multidisciplinary Std-8-12

Angelo State University

The Dean's List for the 2005 Fall Semester has been announced at Angelo State University in San Angelo, Texas. To be eligible for the Dean's List, students must be enrolled full-time and maintain a 3.25 grade point average on a 4.0 scale. The honorees, along with their majors, include the following from the Spearman area: Julie A. Bravo, communications; and Christopher Matthew Hansen, mathematics.

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For students interested in pursuing a college education, but unable to commit to a four-year degree program, Oklahoma Panhandle State University offers a variety of two-year Associate Degree Programs and Pre-Professional Programs. Associate Degree Programs require between 64 and 71 credit hours. For more information about these programs or any of OPSU's programs, visit www.opsu.edu.

The following is a list of the programs and contact information. Associate degree programs: **General Studies (AA)**, Dr. Sara Richter, 580-349-1472, saraj@opsu.edu; **General Studies (AS)**, Dr. Sara Richter, 580-349-1472, saraj@opsu.edu; **Agriculture (AS)**, Dr. Pete Camfield, 580-349-1514, pcamfield@opsu.edu; **Business Administration (AS)**, **Business Option**, Mr. David Miller, 580-3491452, dmiller@opsu.edu; **CIS Option**, Ms. Diane Murphey, 580-349-1446, diane@opsu.edu; **Farm & Ranch Management (AAS)**, Dr. Pete Camfield, 580-349-1514, pcamfield@opsu.edu; **Applied Science in Nursing (OSU-OKC)**, Ms. Lynna Brakhage, 580-349-1520, nursing@opsu.edu; **Technology-Drafting & Industrial Tech**, Mr. Larry Hough, 580-349-1448, lough@opsu.edu; **Technology-Fire Protection (AAS)**, Dr. Justin Collins, 580-349-1522, jcollins@opsu.edu; **Technology-Industrial Technology (AAS)**, Mr. Larry Hough, 580-349-1448, lough@opsu.edu; **Technology-Metal Technology (AAS)**, Mr. Larry Hough, 580-349-1448, lough@opsu.edu; **Technology-Technology (AAS)**, Mr. Larry Hough, 580-349-1448, lough@opsu.edu. Pre-Professional programs: **Pre-Engineering**, Dr. Bryan Bichsel, 580-349-1537, bbichsel@opsu.edu; **Pre-Law**, Mr. Tom Lewis, 580-349-1492, tlew@opsu.edu; **All Health Care Options (Pre-Dental, Pre-Dental Hygiene, Physicians' Associate Program, Pre-Medical, Pre-Nursing, Pre-Optometry, Pre-Pharmacy, Pre-Veterinary Medicine, Occupational Therapy and Physical Therapy)**, Dr. Justin Collins, 580-349-1522, jcollins@opsu.edu

Frank Phillips College Community Choir

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Gruver ISD Board Minutes

Gruver ISD Board meets in regular session

The regular board meeting of the Board of Trustees, Gruver Independent School District was held Tuesday, December 20, 2005 at 6:03 p.m.

Members present were Curt Fitzgerald, Jeff Graves, Paul Stavlo, Lee Bob Harper, Brent Stedje, Traci Venneman, Dwayne Thompson and Superintendent, David Teal.

Paul Stavlo opened meeting with prayer.

The Board received the following visitors: Debby Odom, Debby Mayhew, Mike King, Mark Kile, Terry Felderhoff, Mica Been, and Mary Henson.

The Board unanimously approved the minutes of the November 17, 2005 regular meeting and the 2004-2005 Audit report conducted by Mark Kile of Kile & Co., P.C. (see attached). Motion carried 7-0.

The Board took a break at 7:25 p.m. and returned at 7:37 p.m.

The Board approved the Update 76, with Traci Venneman voting against.

The Board unanimously approved a student transfer.

The Board reviewed the following discussion items:

- Administrative Reports by Terry Felderhoff, Debby Mayhew, & Mike King.
 - Regular Board meeting - January 19, 2005 at 6:00 p.m.
 - Renovation project report
 - Review Superintendents appraisal form
 - Finance Report
- The meeting adjourned at 8:12 p.m.

Gruver ISD Board renews Superintendent's contract

The regular board meeting of the Board of Trustees, Gruver Independent School District was held Thursday, January 19, 2006 at 4:03 p.m.

Members present were Curt Fitzgerald, Jeff Graves, Paul Stavlo, Lee Bob Harper, Brent Stedje, Traci Venneman, Dwayne Thompson and Superintendent, David Teal.

Paul Stavlo opened meeting with prayer.

The Board received the following visitors: Debby Odom, Debby Mayhew, Terry Felderhoff, Amanda Poer, Kathy Gillispie, Jill Watson, Darlene Gibson, and Sara Clark.

AEIS Report was presented with multiple Gold Performance Acknowledgments.

Mrs. Mayhew reported on Elementary TAKS Activities.

Coach Felderhoff reported on Junior High TAKS Activities.

Mr. Teal reported on transportation issues and summer school.

The Board approved the minutes of the December 20, 2005 regular meeting.

The Board reviewed the following discussion items:

- Enrollment - 399
 - Regular Board meeting - February 16, 2006 at 6:00 p.m.
 - Renovation meeting - February 3, 2006 at 2:00 p.m.
 - Renovation project report
 - Finance Report
- The Board of Trustees entered into executive session at 5:33 p.m.

The Board of Trustees entered into open session at 8:47 p.m.

The Board unanimously approved to extend the Superintendent's contract for two (2) years.

The meeting adjourned at 8:49 p.m.



Lake Level--January 30, 2006--23.56 (-0.13)

Jim reported that there were two sets of campers behind the dam this weekend. They were both from Amarillo and were first-time campers at Palo Duro Lake.

Jim said that he had seen mountain bluebirds flitting in the trees for the first time this winter. Another favorite has shown up too - cedar waxwings near his home and the office. The waxwings are usually seen in flocks, and there were about 30 in this one.

The eagle count has gone up to 5 with 3 of them immature.

The beaver are working on the young cottonwoods. The trees can be thinned without much loss, but Jim said the little pointed sticks left were hard on tires if anyone ran over them.

Calendar

The Gruver State Bank put out an interesting historical calendar for the year 2006. Leon Bagwell and others have put together a collection of old pictures that represent the area and the early days of Gruver. He and Rick Barkley selected the twelve pictures to be used for the 2006 calendar and have others for another year, if the bank decides to repeat the issue in

2007. One of my favorite pictures is one that Dorothy Cator loaned them to use. It is of the Les Cator house, which I think was built in the mid 1890's of the same stone as the Tyler house and the Turkey Track (Hansford) ranch home. You could see a dugout that was probably the original home. The stone part looked to be two rooms to which a wooden part had been added. This home was on the picturesque Coy Holt ranch south of Gruver on the Palo Duro Creek.

Another one of pictures was of a painting of the Turkey Track ranch house. It came from a book that is owned by the Gruver Library called Old Ranches of the Texas Plains with Paintings by Mondel Rogers published by Texas A&M University Press in 1976. Each painting is accompanied by a short article. I don't know how accurate all of the history is, but it is an interesting read for us history buffs.

A number of us missed out on the calendars, but Buster Davis of the bank confirmed to me today that they have another order for 100 more that should come any day now, and that they had my name down for one of them.

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Lynx vs. Boys Ranch
59-42
1-03-06
A. Maestas, 4; J. Ashmore, 17; Z. Nollner, 3; B. Garnett, 4; L. Huddleston, 19; A. Benton, 2; B. Thomas, 10

Lynx vs. Highland Park
51-41
1-06-06
A. Maestas, 2; J. Ashmore, 18; B. Garnett, 7; L. Huddleston, 18; B. Thomas, 6

Lynx vs. Fritch
54-26
1-10-06
A. Maestas, 8; J. Ashmore, 11; B. Garnett, 12; L. Huddleston, 8; A. Benton, 4; B. Thomas, 10; Blayne Baker, 1

Lynx vs. Panhandle
53-45
1-13-06
J. Ashmore, 22; Z. Nollner, 3; B. Garnett, 9; L. Huddleston, 14; B. Thomas, 5

Lynx vs. West Texas
50-34
1-17-06
A. Maestas, 5; J. Ashmore, 13; B. Garnett, 4; L. Huddleston, 18; J. Howard, 3; B. Thomas, 3; B. Baker, 4

Lynx vs. Canadian
51-48
1-19-06
A. Maestas, 2; J. Ashmore, 13; Z. Nollner, 6; B. Garnett, 10; L. Huddleston, 12; J. Howard, 2; B. Thomas, 6

SPEARMAN VARSITY GIRLS
Lynxettes vs. Boys Ranch
66-28
1-27-06
Season Record 22-7 (7-2))
L. Short, 9; J. Short, 15; Vanderburg, 2; Rex, 8; Flowers, 8; Schneider, 4; Howard, 8; Hart, 5; Lozano, 7
Coach's Comments: We limited our turnovers and played good defense the whole night. This win combined with WT's win over Sanford-Fritch assured the

Lynxettes of a play-off spot in 2006.

Lynxettes vs Highland Park
41-27
1-31-06
Season Record 23-7 (8-2)
L. Short, 7; J. Short, 11; Rex, 5; Flowers, 4; Schneider, 3; Howard, 4; Hart, 5; Lozano, 2
Coach's Comments: We played good defense through-out, we need to start converting from the FT line. We had some really nice passes.

SPEARMAN JV GIRLS
JV Lynxettes vs. JV San Jacinto
33-56
Reed, 3; Lang, 8; Davis, 5; Pittman, 4; Bradley, 2; Kern, 5; Cazares, 3; Shields, 3;
Coach's Comments: San Jacinto is a good team and they have improved from last year. They handled our press well, out-rebounded us, and shot the ball much better than we did. We will have to take what we learned from this game and move on.

JV Lynxettes vs JV Boys Ranch
68-4
1-17-06
Reed, 6; Lang, 14; Davis, 4; Pittman, 2; Barley, 13; Kern, 10; Cazares, 6; Shields, 10; Smith, 3
Coach's Comments: Everyone played well.

GRUVER VARSITY GIRLS
Lady Hounds vs Booker
68-29
1-24-06
4-2 in district play
Lady Hounds vs. Booker
47-8

GRUVER JV GIRLS
JV Lady Hounds vs Booker
47-8
1-24-06

GRUVER VARSITY BOYS
Hounds vs Booker
54-35
1-24-06

Hounds vs Vega
54-36
1-28-06

GRUVER JV BOYS
JV Hounds vs Booker
49 - 23
1-28-06

JV Hounds vs Vega
47-83
1-28-06

JV Hounds (Red) vs Sunray
33-30
1-31-06

GRUVER JH GIRLS
7th Lady Hounds in Gruver Gathering
No places or awards given - just a chance to play some basketball.
7th Grade vs. Spearman
23-27 OT
7th Grade vs. Sunray
27-32
7th Grade vs. Fritch
33-9

8th Lady Hounds in Gruver Gathering
No places or awards given - just a chance to play some basketball.
8th Grade vs. Spearman
22-28
8th Grade vs. Sunray
37-19
8th Grade vs. Fritch
31-26

Gruver Counselor Visits Elementary Classes

Mrs. Ujhely, the Gruver school counselor, went to the Gruver Elementary classes on Friday afternoon for a special story time. Children from every class who have exhibited excellent behavior or great work in the past week were allowed to hear a special story read by Mrs. Ujhely. It was fun for a great group of elementary students!

100 Day Celebrations in Gruver Elementary

Friday was an exciting day of celebrations in the Gruver elementary because it was the 100th day of school. The following are just a few of the ways teachers and students had fun. The Kindergarten invited the School Board to watch their morning activities and said a big "thank-you" to the board for all the ways they help make this school great. Board members attending were: Lee Bob Harper, Paul Stavlo and Brent Stedje. Everyone in kindergarten enjoyed their presence and even shared their 100th day cookies with everyone. In first grade they counted objects to 100 in different ways using 2's, 5's and 10's. They also make a book entitled *If I Had 100 Things*. In the second grade each child brought a collection of 100 things and lined them up in the gym. The children compared the lengths of the items. One Hundred candy kisses were hidden in the second grade rooms and the kids had to find them and match them to the Hundred's Chart. They did activities for 100 seconds and listened to favorite books. Each child made a 100 booklet to take home. It was a great day of learning and fun for all!

and Mrs. Micky Maupin; Vanessa Garcia and Mrs. Cooper; Carson Williams, Reagan Haynes and Mrs. Gibson. Beau Blankenship was the 4th grade point maker and the guest was Mrs. Mayhew. In addition girls who reached 75 AR points were permitted to wear their pajamas to school and spend the afternoon watching a movie. One fourth grade girl and one third grade girl accomplished this feat. Congratulations to Zoe Cantrell and Mikayla Davis.

Deer Powerlifting Meet this past Saturday, January 28. Sammy Pena won the 123.5 pound weight class with a total of 730 pounds. Sheldon Atwood moved up a weight class and placed 2nd in the 198.5 pound weight class with a total of 1100 pounds. Travis McDowell placed 4th in the 242.5 pound weight class with a total of 1080 pounds.

Gruver JH Citizens of the Six Weeks

The Gruver Junior High Citizens of the Six Weeks for the first six weeks of school are: 5th grade, Cesar Soto; 6th grade, Shelley Gibson; 7th grade, Ruben Hernandez and 8th grade, Rogelio Acosta. The Gruver Junior High Citizens of the Six Weeks for the third six weeks of school are: 5th grade, Gerardo Manroy; 6th grade, Ashlynn Miner; 7th grade, Zach Logsdon and 8th grade, Jeronimo Trejo.

Spearman Junior High Solo, Ensemble Contest Results

Congratulations to the following students who competed at the Junior High Choir Solo/ Ensemble Contest held Saturday, January 28th at Tascosa High School. Leslie Hernandez and Paula Hernandez received an Excellent #2 rating on their solo's. The Girl's Ensemble also received an Excellent #2 rating on their ensemble. Members were: Fernanda Aguilar, Ariana Aguilera, Alyssa Comp, Stevie Couch, Nelly Garcia, Laura Hernandez, Leslie Hernandez, Paula Hernandez, Amber Martinez, Shelbi Roberts, Beatriz Rosendo and Mariah Sheppard. The following received a Superior #1 rating and a UIL medal on their solo's: Fernanda Aguilar, Miguel Chavez, Amber Martinez, Anthony Quintero and Beatriz Rosendo.

Gruver Powerlifting Team Results

The Greyhound Powerlifting Team did very well in the White

Gruver Powerlifting Team Results

The Greyhound Powerlifting Team did very well in the White Deer Powerlifting Meet this past Saturday, January 28. Sammy Pena won the 123.5 pound weight class with a total of 730 pounds. Sheldon Atwood moved up a weight class and placed 2nd in the 198.5 pound weight class with a total of 1100 pounds. Travis McDowell placed 4th in the 242.5 pound weight class with a total of 1080 pounds.

Spearman School Calendar - February, 2006

- Feb. 3 - JV, V Lynx & Lynxettes vs Fritch, (H) 5, 6:30 & 8; Fort Worth Stock Show
- Feb. 4 - Band Solo/Ensemble Contest, WTA&M; Fort Worth Stock Show
- Feb. 6 - 9th Lynx vs Highland Park, (H) 7:30; 9th Lynxettes vs Highland Park, (T) 6:15
- Feb. 7 - JV, V Lynx & Lynxettes vs Panhandle, (T) 5, 6:30, 8
- Feb. 9 - 2 Hr. Early Dismissal; End of Six Weeks
- Feb. 10 - NO SCHOOL; Hansford County Stock Show; JV & Lynx vs West Texas, (T) 5& 6:30; FCCLA Regional Meeting, Odessa
- Feb. 11 - Hansford County Stock Show; Choir Solo/Ensemble Contest, WTA&M; FCCLA Regional meeting, Odessa
- Feb. 12-18 - San Antonio Stock Show
- Feb. 14 - JV & V Lynx vs Canadian, (H) 5 & 6:30
- Feb. 18 - High School Valentine's Dance, 9-12
- Feb. 21 - TAKS Test - 9th Grade Reading, 10th & 11th ELA, 11th ELA Retest
- Feb. 22 - TAKS Test - 9th Grade Reading, 11th Math Retest, 10th ELA for SDAII
- Feb. 23 - TAKS- Test - 11th Science Retest, 10th ELA Make-up
- Feb. 24 - TAKS Test - 11th Social Studies Retest; Girls Golf Tournament @ Borger
- Feb. 25 - Sunray Track Meet; Girls Golf Tournament @ Borger
- Feb. 27 - Shattered Dreams Parent/Student Meeting, 7, HS Library
- Feb. 28 - Boys Golf Tournament @ Wellington

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As required by law the Spearman Independent School District will conduct a public hearing, open to the public, to discuss the district's educational performance for the 2004-2005 school year.

The purpose of the educational performance hearing is to review and discuss the district's performance on the Academic Excellence Indicator System (AEIS); campus performance objectives; a report of violent or criminal incidents; and information received under Texas Education Code §51.403(e) from the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board (THECB).

Parents and taxpayers are invited to attend this hearing, ask questions and provide comments regarding student performance issues. The meeting will be held on February 13, 2006 starting at 7:00 p.m. in the High School Library.

In addition, the following items are made available free to the public upon request: (1) the performance and profile sections of the AEIS Report for every school as well as the district; (2) the Comparable Improvement Report (campus-level only); (3) the AEIS Glossary in either English or Spanish versions; and (4) the district's financial management performance report. Feel free to call the Superintendent's Office at (806) 659-3233 to request a copy of this material. Additional copies of this report will also be made available at the Spearman City Hall and Public Library.

PUBLIC HEARING


DATE: February 13, 2006
TIME: 7:00 p.m.
RE: Education Performance Report
LOCATION: High School Library

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"The River 7" on display at Wolf Creek Heritage Museum



Do Not Touch, painted by Amy Winton, is one of the pieces of art to be on display at the Wolf Creek Heritage Museum.

An Art Exhibition of a newly formed group called "The River 7" opened at the Wolf Creek Heritage Museum on January 4, 2006. A Reception will be held at the Museum on Sunday, February 5, 2006 at 2 p.m. The artists will be present at the reception.

"The River 7" is composed of seven artists who began painting together in 2002. The group consists of Amy Winton from Lipscomb County and seven of her students: Cara Dawn Macias, Canadian; Mary Laubhan, Lipscomb County; Arlene

Walker, Higgins; Amy Brainard, Canadian; Doris Glassey, Perryton; Lauren Haley, Canadian; and Barbara Knight, Canadian.

In addition to meeting four or five times a month, the group in part or in its entirety, travels to museum shows in the Panhandle in order to expand their knowledge and exposure to Fine Art. Several of the artists have been selected to exhibit in the Amarillo Fine Arts Association's Best of the Southwest Show; The Sagebrush Painter's Fourth of July Show in Canadian, Texas; The Picture Canadian Show sponsored by the Canadian Arts Alliance; and the Canadian Fall Foliage Festival. The group has also exhibited at the Metcalf Museum in Durham, OK; the Dumas Art Center and the Armstrong County Museum in Claude, TX.

The Wolf Creek Heritage Museum is located in Lipscomb, TX on Hwy 305 and Main. Telephone is 806- 852-2123. Admission is free.

Hansford Hospice discusses fundraisers

The Hansford Hospice Volunteers met on January 16, 2006 at Gruver State Bank.

The meeting was called to order by President, Verna Lee Shirley. Minutes for the last two meetings (October 10 and November 6) were read and approved. Additions to the new officers were Publicity: JoLinda Hutchison, and Social: Nellie Evans.

Fundraisers for next year were discussed: Pokey the Clown will be at the Gruver Rodeo the first weekend of July, with proceeds going to Hospice. Golf Tournament has been held the first Saturday in June. Louise Heddins moved and June Jackson seconded to have the tournament again. Motion passed.

Discussion of a grant to build onto the hospice office building to make room for storage, offices and meeting space. We need space to store decoration; beds, chairs. Steve Hargrave has offered to help with a grant application from the Sybil Harrington Foundation.

The Tindell family made a donation to be used as needed. Charla will look into purchasing a bed to be used at patient's home. An appreciation plaque will be put on the new equipment stating that it was given in memory of Sue Tindell. Mary K. Harbour moved and Connie Gamill seconded. Motion approved and passed.

Charla Hargis announced that the State Hospice meeting will be

March 17-19 in Austin. Early Bird Registration closed today (Jan. 16). Any volunteers who wish to go are welcome. Dean Lieb moved and Mary K Harbour seconded that we offer to pay for one or both doctors to attend. Motion passed and was approved.

There was no program. Next month's program will be given by George Price of Gruver Methodist Church.

A new volunteer class was discussed. Charla will make plans to begin a new bereavement class.

Next meeting will be at First State Bank in Spearman. Meeting adjourned.

Gladiola Flower Club news

October 20th

The Gladiola Flower Club met October 20th in the home of Ann Flowers.

Kathleen Sutton read a Thank You note from the Medical Center League House for our \$500.00 contribution.

Virginia Trindle won for home grown arrangement.

Linda Winegarner showed pictures and items from Italy and told about the trip she took with Norlan and Pat and Mike Cudd that was sponsored by John Deere for over three hundred of their associates.

The next meeting will be our Thanksgiving Dinner at 6:00 p.m., November 10th at the First State Bank hospitality room.

Those present: Muriel Boyd, Verna Brown, Wanda Brown, Dorothy Buzzard, Margarette Evans, Ann Flowers, Estelle Jackson, June Jackson, Norma Jean Mackie, Eloise Renner, Gwen Smith, Kathleen Sutton, Virginia Trindle, Judy Yarbrough and guest, Linda Winegarner.

September 15th

The Gladiola Flower club met at Judy's Place, September 15th with dickie Allen hostess.

Superintendent Sumner

informed us about the progress of the school building project. The 12 million in bonds were sold the first day offered with a rate of 4.25% for 25 years. It is hoped that the contract will be let by the end of October and that construction will start in early November with the cafeteria ready for use by spring of 2006 and a completion date by August of 2007.

Roll call was answered by telling our favorite wild flower. The Club will be selling pecans, walnuts, and cashews through October 10th and will conduct a Home Tour December 4th.

Gwen Smith won for arrangement and Judy Yarbrough for specimen.

Those present: Dickie Allen, Muriel Boyd, Verna Brown, Wanda Brown, Dorothy Buzzard, Betty Davis, Margarette Evans, Ann Flowers, Estelle Jackson, June Jackson, Lorene Kunselman, Norma Jean Mackie, Eloise Renner, Pam Schnell, Gwen Smith, Judy Yarbrough and guests Judy Nelson, Nan McCloy and Mr. Sumner.

September 1st

The Gladiola Flower club met September 1st at 9:30 a.m. at the Bunkhouse with Lorene Kunselman hostess.

Sheriff Gary Evans gave an informative program about identity theft. He said never give out personal information over the telephone unless you initiate the call and that you should keep a list of credit cards and personal information that you carry in case it is stolen or lost. He has information that should be used for annual credit checks which are free of charge.

The Club will be selling pecans for \$6.75 per pound, walnuts for \$4.50 per pound and cashews for \$5.00 per pound.

The next meeting will be September 15th in the home of Dickie Allen.

Those present: Muriel Boyd, Verna Brown, Wanda Brown, Dorothy Buzzard, Betty David, Margarette Evans, Ann Flowers, June Jackson, Lorene Kunselman, Norma Jean Mackie, Eloise Renner, Pam Schnell, Kathleen Sutton, Gwen Smith, Judy Yarbrough and guest, Sheriff Evans.

Manor Calendar

FEBRUARY-2006

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Congratulations !!!						
Tubby Hays - Resident of the Month !!						
Pam Moore - CNA of the Month						
			1	2	3	4
			10:00 Bible Study living room	10:00 Music in living room	10:00 Olympic Practice living room	10:00 Exercise living room
			2:30 Crafts activity room	1:30 Bingo dining room	2:30 Nease That Tune living room	2:30 Table Games activity room
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
3:00 Church living room Apostle Fair	10:00 Newscurrents living room 2:30 Front Porch Travel in living room 6:30 Bingo-dining room Laurel & Gemma Gessner	10:00 Cooking in the activity room 2:30 More Cooking activity room	10:00 Bible Study living room 1:00-5:00 Empty Stacking Bake Sale 2:30 Crafts activity room	10:00 Music in living room	10:00 Olympic Practice living room	10:00 Exercise living room
5:00 Super Bowl living room				1:30 Bingo dining room	2:30 Project & Movie living room	2:30 Crazy Bunko dining room
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
3:00 Church living room	10:00 Cooking in the activity room 2:30 Dietrich Cookies activity room 6:30 Bingo-dining room Laurel & Gemma Gessner	9:15 Valentine's with Kindergarten HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY 2:30 Valentine's Party-dining room	10:00 Bible Study living room 2:30 Crafts activity room	10:00 Music in living room	10:00 Meet in activity room for trip to Guyton	10:00 Exercise living room
First Christian Spearman				1:30 Bingo dining room	3:00 Newscurrents living room	2:30 Spelling Bee living room
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
3:00 Church living room	10:00 Newscurrents living room 2:30 Trivia living room 6:30 Bingo-dining room Laurel & Gemma Gessner President's Day	10:00 Exercise living room 2:30 Life Enrichment living room	10:00 Bible Study living room 2:30 Crafts activity room	10:00 Music in living room	10:00 Olympic Practice living room	10:00 Exercise living room
First Christian Gruver				1:30 Bingo dining room	2:30 Birthday Party dining room	2:30 Games activity room
26	27	28	HAPPY BIRTHDAY !!!			
3:00 Church living room	10:00 Newscurrents living room 2:30 Sewing activity room 6:30 Bingo-dining room Laurel & Gemma Gessner	10:00 Exercise living room 2:30 Happy Hour activity room Mardi Gras	Bonnie Bail-2/4 Ruth Benefield-2/16 Kim Cluck-2/15 Grace O'Brennan-2/26 Betty Scribner-2/9			
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SHS Basketball Homecoming held

The 2005-2006 Basketball Homecoming Pep Rally was held Friday, January 27th at 2:30 p.m. in the Varsity gym. The Varsity Lynxette and Lynx team members were introduced, and the 2005-2006 Basketball Homecoming King and Queen were named.

Senior Lynxette Tabatha Shields was named Homecoming Queen. She is the daughter of LuAnn and Steve Shields. Tabatha has attended Spearman schools for six years and has played basketball for six years. Tabatha played varsity basketball for two years. The most exciting thing that happened during her basketball career at SHS is beating Canadian fair and square on our home court. Tabatha will more than likely attend West Texas A&M and major in Secondary Education to be a high school English teacher. The advice that she would like to give to future Lynx and Lynxettes is this: "To give anything less than your best is to sacrifice the gift. Go hard, and leave nothing behind!"

Senior Lynx Carlos Baca was named Homecoming King. He is the son of Oralia and Javier Baca. Carlos has attended Spearman schools for five years and has played basketball for five years. He played Varsity basketball for one year. The most exciting thing that has happened during his basketball career at SHS is playing for Coach Bowels on the freshman team. Carlos plans on attending college and majoring in Architecture. At some point he would also like to get married and have two kids. The advice that Carlos would like to pass on to future Lynx and Lynxettes is to "never give up and always do your best!"

Other Queen candidates included Jordan Short, Tonya Hart, Lindsey Short and Britta Vanderburg.

Senior Lynxette and Queen candidate Jordan Short is the daughter of Lisa and Kyle Short. Jordan has attended Spearman schools for seven years and played basketball for 11 years. She has played on Varsity all four years at SHS. Jordan was Academic All District as a freshman, sophomore, and junior. She was voted the most inspirational player at the Beaver Tournament her junior year and received the Krista Kirkland Award. The most exciting thing that has happened during her career at SHS was beating the Canadian Wildcats on our home court. Jordan plans to attend college and major in physical therapy or math education. The advice that Jordan would like to pass on to future Lynx and Lynxettes is to "have fun and play every second with all your heart

because it could be your last. You never know what might happen and it goes by so fast!"

Tonya Hart is the daughter of Christy and Jerry Hart. Tonya has attended Spearman Schools for four years and has played basketball for eleven years. She has played on Varsity for three years and made Second Team All-District in 2005. The most exciting thing that has happened during her Spearman High School basketball career is beating Canadian at home this year. Tonya's future plans after graduation are to attend Adams State College and major in Pre-Law. The advice that she would like to pass on to future Lynx and Lynxettes is to "set high goals, because nothing is impossible. Keep dreaming big, and remember, Canadian can be beaten!"

Senior Lynxette and Queen candidate Lindsey Short is also the daughter of Lisa and Kyle Short. Lindsey has attended Spearman schools for seven years and has played basketball ten years. She has played on Varsity all four years in high school. As a freshman, Lindsey was Academic All-District. As a sophomore she was Academic All-District and All District Honorable Mention. As a junior she was Academic All-District, All District First Team and All Region First Team. Lindsey was named Co-Team MVP in 2005 and she was selected Pre-Season All State in Texas Basketball Magazine. Lindsey's most exciting thing that happened during her basketball career at SHS was beating the Canadian Wildcats for the first time in six years. Lindsey plans on attending college and majoring in Education after she graduates. The advice that she would like to pass on to future Lynx and Lynxettes is "to fight the good fight, and always make good choices because it will pay off!"

Senior Lynxette and Queen Candidate Britta Vanderburg is the daughter of Kim and Joe Vanderburg. Britta has attended Spearman schools for 13 years and has played basketball for six years. She has played two years on Varsity. The most exciting thing that has happened during her SHS basketball career was beating Canadian this year. The Lynxettes hadn't beaten Canadian since their 7th grade Spearman basketball tournament. Britta plans on attending either Texas Tech University or West Texas A&M to study to be a

fashion designer. The advice that Britta would like to give future Lynx and Lynxettes is to "never give up. Practice hard, always keep a smile on your face, keep posting up no matter what your height is, always attempt to make a positive conversation with the refs, never roll your eyes, and be a team player."

Senior Lynx Jarick Howard was the other King candidate. He is the son of Jan and Rick Howard. Jarick has attended Spearman schools for thirteen years and has played basketball ten years. He has played on

Varsity for two years and made Academic All District in 2005. The most exciting thing that has happened during Jaricks basketball career at SHS is beating the heavily favored Panhandle Panthers last year on their home court to end their district-winning streak of 42 games. Jarick plans to attend West Texas A&M and major in mass communications in the fall. The advice that Jarick would like to pass on to future Lynx and Lynxettes is to "play hard, act right, and be coachable!"

Texas' First Lady to visit Moore County

The Women's Division of the Dumas/Moore County Chamber of Commerce is proud to announce that Texas' First Lady, Anita Perry will be visiting Dumas on Saturday, February 25. The Women's division will host a "High Tea on the High Plains" with First Lady Perry. The event will be held at the Moore County Community Building from 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. The event is open to the public and admission is free.

The First Lady is coming to Moore County to share the Governor's "Vision for Texas" with Panhandle residents. Over 300 persons from the entire Panhandle region are expected to attend. The event is aimed at residents in all Panhandle counties. "This is an excellent opportunity for Moore County and we look forward to welcoming Mrs. Perry and to our community. Panhandle residents will be able to learn first hand about the Governor's plan for Texas and will have the opportunity to visit with the First Lady." Jennifer Waida, President of the Women's Division stated.

Be aware of scam artists Bogus call received stating personal banking information on the internet

The Hansford County Reporter-Statesman was notified about a concerned citizen who could have become a victim of Identity Theft.

This person received a phone call from someone identifying themselves as working with the Priority Savings Group. This man advised the citizen that her banking account information was on the internet and that he would take it off if she would verify her bank's routing number, checking account number and the check number on her next check.

She said they could hear many voices in the background and the man calling told her if she did not give him the information immediately, he would leave the banking information on the internet.

He did give her a phone number she could call, and a file number. She then contacted her bank and made them aware of the call. The bank flagged the account for any unusual or unauthorized activity.

Less than an hour after she received the call, someone called the bank stating they were a merchant and they needed to verify a check on this customer. When asked what merchant they were, they hung up.

He did leave a phone number, which was for a company called CCR. They stated that they take service calls for 40 different companies and asked for the number that was called. The number was confirmed as being for Priority Service Group, which sells Medical Discount Cards for products from Canada.

She said that if the customer had given Priority Service Group her checking account information, then the customer had authorized Priority Service Group to draft her checking account for \$398. She went on to say that if the customer wanted to cancel the draft, she could do a "quick cancellation." She said that when Priority downloaded their data base that night, the customer's draft would be erased.

The Hansford County Reporter-Statesman wants to remind our readers: Don't give out personal information on the phone, through the mail or the internet unless you have initiated the contact or are sure you know who you're dealing with. Identity thieves can be skilled liars, and may pose as representatives of banks, Internet service providers (ISPs), or even government agencies to get you to reveal identifying information. Before you divulge any personal information, confirm that you're dealing with a legitimate organization. Double check by calling customer service using the number on your account statement or in the telephone book.

Guard your mail and trash from theft. Deposit outgoing mail in post office collection boxes or at your local post office instead of an unsecured mailbox. Remove mail from your mailbox promptly. If you're planning to be away from home and can't pick up your mail, call your local post office and ask for a vacation hold.

If you suspect you are a victim of Identity Theft contact your local law enforcement agency and file a report. Keep a copy of the report. You may need it to validate your claims to creditors. If you can't get a copy, at least get the report number.

Current Cotton Environment Requires Producers to Step Up Marketing Plans

by Kay Ledbetter

High Plains, South Plains and Rolling Plains cotton producers can learn strategies to build into their marketing plan for the upcoming year at a series of meetings.

Three "Developing This Year's Marketing Plan for Cotton" meetings will take place in February. The meetings, scheduled from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. each day, will be:

- Feb. 14 at the Texas A&M University System Agricultural Research and Extension Center near Vernon;
- Feb. 15 at the Moore County Gin near Etter; and
- Feb. 16 at the Texas A&M University System Agricultural Research and Extension Center in Lubbock.

Dr. John Robinson, Texas Cooperative Extension specialist/cotton marketing in College Station, and Dr. Jackie Smith, Extension economist in Lubbock, will teach the sessions.

Producers can learn about fundamentals, technicals and seasonal trends in cash, basis and contracts, Robinson said. They also will learn to evaluate pre- and post-harvest marketing strategies and cash marketing tools.

Participants can expect to leave with a written marketing plan for their operations for the upcoming year, he said.

The short course is a part of the Advanced Topic Series hosted by Extension's Master Marketer Educational System, Robinson said.

Advanced registration is required by Feb. 10. A fee of \$75 will cover instruction, materials and lunch. Couples can attend for one price.

To register, contact Dr. Steve Amosson, Extension economist in Amarillo, at (806) 677-5600; Smith in Lubbock at (806) 746-6101 or Stan Bevers in Vernon at (940) 552-9941. For more information on the Advanced Topic Series, visit the Master Marketer Web site at <http://mastermarketer.tamu.edu>.

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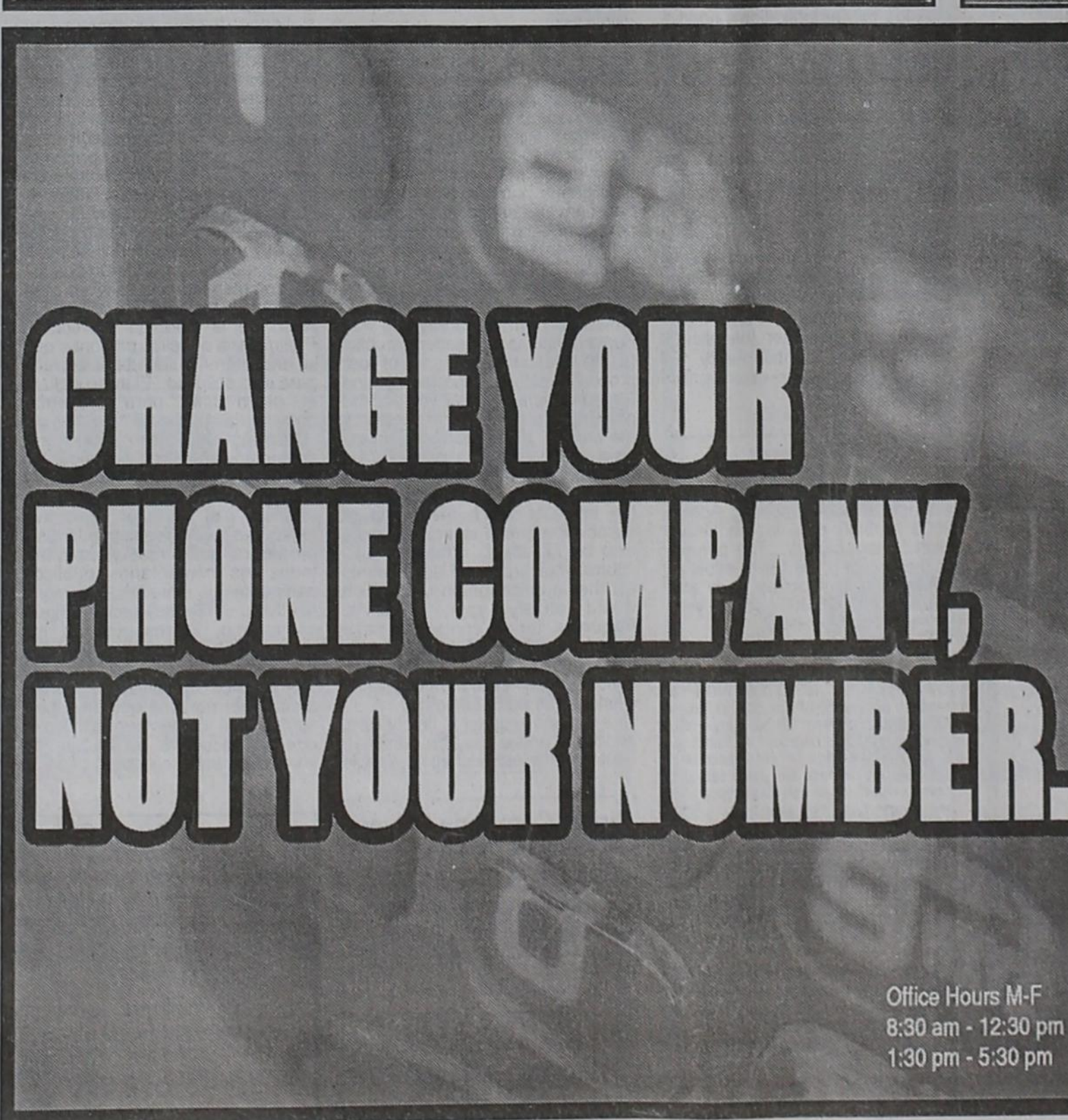
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