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## WEEKEND WEATHER FORECAST

THURSDAY NIGHT Partly cloudy with a 30 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Lows in the lower 60s. Southeast winds 15 to 20 mph. FRIDAY - Partly cloudy with

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## FUN NIGHT AT THE PARK

A fun evening is planned for everyone on Saturday, July 10th! Come join us at the Swimmingn Pool Park!! There will be fun and food, fellowship and competition, and lots of laughs. Booths will be set up by local clubs and organizations to provide eats and treats.

"Pokey, the Clown" will be here to conduct the WRCA Junior Ranch Rodeo for young people ages 4-16 years old. Information for teams (4 kids per team) and registration forms will be available by calling Judy Tindell @ 659-2662 or 659-3653, or by coming by B & B Sales Co.

"Pokey" introduced Junior Ranch Rodeo, mirrored after the adult ranch rodeo, in 1997. The goals of the rodeos are to teach young people about our western heritage and to keep the ways of the American cowboy alive. It also teaches young people to act as a team, which is a must for a working ranch. The teams compete in four events with wooden "livestock" (no real animals).

In 1998 "Pokey's" Junior Ranch Rodeo's became a part of the WRCA World Championship Ranch Rodeo held each year in November in Amarillo, Texas.

Approximately twelve rodeos are held around the four state area to qualify teams for the championships.

The young people will register at 4:30 p.m. at the Swimming Pool Park. There is a \$5.00 entry fee per person (\$20.00 per team).

At 7:00 p.m. "Pokey's" Adult Ranch Shoot Out will be held. All these events are just for fun, specially handmade "stock" will be used. No live animals (or folks) will be injured.

All proceeds from the WRCA Junior Ranch Rodeo and the Adult Ranch Rodeo Shoot Out will be donated to Hansford Hospice.

Food Booths will be set up in the park for your dining pleasure. Local clubs, civic organizations and church groups will benefit from their booths. If your group would like a booth, please call Judy Tindell @659-2662 or 659-3653.

Mark your calendar now for this fun-filled evening in the Park. Let's all come out to enjoy ourselves and help Hansford Hospice and other organizations in our communities.

## Storm **Pounds** Gruver Area

by Harletta Carthel

A brutal thunderstorm late Friday, June 18th, reigned havoc in Gruver and surrounding areas north of the city.

High winds, golf-ball sized hail and torrential rain accompanied the storm.

The City of Gruver recorded an official 4.64 inches of rain while areas north of Gruver measured nearly six inches. Buck Tidwell of Bernstein Elevator registered 5.34 inches while B. J Renner reported 5.94 inches.

The Renner family and the Rod Karlin family, both residing north of the city, suffered considerable damage from the storm.

"The wind, rain, and hail damaged every area of the city," Linda Weller, Gruver City Manager said. "I think we've had damage reported all over

City buildings also suffered in the storm's wake:

"At City Hall, we had six windows broken, while the Golden Age Center had two windows ruined. There has not been a report from the fire department," Mark Washburn, Gruver City Secretary said. "There were also three windshields broken on city vehicles. We know of at least three buildings with damaged roofs - the Golden Age Center, the City Pool, and the City Library."

Kim Swink of Bort Agency in Gruver reported a hectic day Monday as residents sought to notify insurance companies of their losses.

"I couldn't begin to count the number of phone calls we have

received today," Swink said. Swink stated that damage to most vehicles in the storm could be termed severe, but drivable.

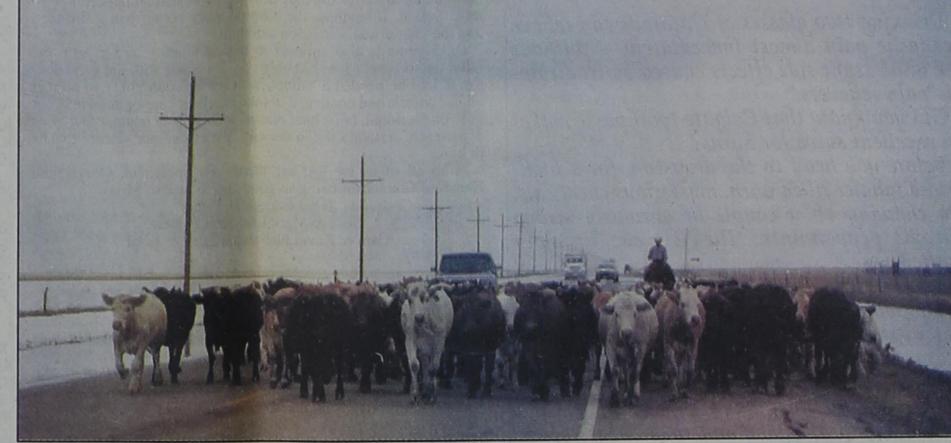
Damage was visible throughout Gruver. The top half of a large pine tree near the home of Teresa Weldon on Broadway Street was broken off in the storm as well as a large cottonwood tree at the home of Dave and Dixie Karlin on Richardson Street. Leaves from trees and vegetation littered streets and

lawns throughout the city. Just north of the city, heavy damage was reported to corn crops and cattle were scattered, in an attempt to escape the storm. The Hansford County Sheriff's Office was dispatched to control cattle wandering near Highway 136 following the storm.

Employees of the Texas Department of Transportation in Hansford County worked through the night Friday and until 7 p.m. on Saturday night, according to Janet Williams, Gruver TX DOT secretary.

"Highway 136 north of Gruver was also closed for a period of time due to water over guard rails," Williams said.

The city was a blur of activity Saturday morning as Gruver



Cattle scattered by the Gruver storm are herded down Highway 136 north of Gruver. Photos by Harletta Carthel

residents assessed storm damage and made temporary

Barlett's Lumber and Hardware of Gruver was the hub of activity as residents sought supplies to make temporary repairs to damaged proper-

"We had numerous calls for plywood and tarps to cover broken windows or skylights," Ronnie Williams, Bartlett's manager said. "We stayed later than our normal closing time to accommodate everyone who needed supplies."

The heavy rain put an abrupt halt to the wheat harvest in the county.

"The wheat harvest in the area was probably 90% completed," Wayne Stinar of Sunray Coop in Gruver said, "If we would have been able to cut through the weekend, the harvest would be just about wrapped up."

Nearby Spearman reported only heavy rainfall in the storm. The weather station at Spearman Schools registered 3.5 inches of rain Friday Night and an additional .2 Saturday

Thunderstorms also formed over Gruver on Sunday night and a tornado alert was sounded when circular winds near the city airport were spotted by weather watchers. Tornado signals sounded simultaneously in Spearman.

"The Spearman alert was a mistake. Only the Gruver alert was to be sounded," a spokesperson for the Hansford County Sheriffs Office said.

No injuries were reported as a result of the storm.

Cooler temperatures and increased chances of thunderstorms are predicted for the rest of the week.



well-house shelter north of Gruver falls victim to the June 18th storm.

Dan Carthel (left ) and Dave Karlin seek to remove a

"knotty" cottonwood tree which fell on a pickup parked

in a neighbor's driveway on Richardson Street during

the storm which hit Gruver Friday evening.



Twelve hours after receiving 4.64 inches of rain, water continues to rush across the road outside of Gruver.



sized holes in the shutters on the home of Margaret Raiston on Cooper Avenue



A field of three-foot high corn just north of the Etling Addition in Gruver is reduced to ragged stumps after the pounding hail on Friday night.



Like skeletons in the wind, vertical blinds, shredded by large hail, flutter behind broken windows of the Gruver High Administrative School office.



by Catherine R. Smith cathysmith@antden.com

My dear friend Sally Desimone sent me the following home remedies. I haven't tested them yet, but they are worth a try. (This is half of the tips, the other half will run next week.)

Drinking two glasses of Gatorade can relieve headache pain almost immediately -- without the unpleasant side effects caused by traditional "pain relievers."

Did you know that Colgate toothpaste makes an excellent salve for burns?

Before you head to the drugstore for a highpriced inhaler filled with mysterious chemicals, try chewing on a couple of curiously strong Altoids peppermints. They'll clear up your

stuffed nose. Achy muscles from a bout of the flu? Mix 1 Tablespoon of horseradish in a cup of olive oil. Let the mixture sit for 30 minutes, then apply it as a massage oil, for instant relief for aching muscles.

Sore Throat? Just mix 1/4 cup of vinegar with 1/4 cup of honey and take 1 tablespoon six times a day. The vinegar kills the bacteria.

Cure urinary tract infections with Alka-Seltzer. Just dissolve two tablets in a glass of water and drink it at the onset of the symptoms. Alka-Seltzer begins eliminating urinary tract infections almost instantly even though the product was never been advertised for this

Eliminate puffiness under your eyes. All you need is a dab of preparation H, carefully rubbed into the skin, avoiding the eyes. The hemorrhoid ointment acts as a vasoconstrictor, relieving the swelling instantly.

Honey remedy for skin blemishes... Cover the blemish with a dab of honey and place a bandaid over it. Honey kills the bacteria, keeps the skin, sterile, and speeds healing. Works

overnight. Listerine therapy for toenail fungus... Get rid of unsightly toenail fungus by soaking your toes in Listerine mouthwash. The powerful antiseptic leaves your toenails looking healthy

Easy eyeglass protection. To prevent the screws in eyeglasses from loosening, apply a small drop of Maybelline Crystal Clear nail polish to the threads of the screws before tighten-

ing them. Coca-Cola cure for rust. Forget those expensive rust removers. Just saturate an abrasive sponge with Coca Cola and scrub the rust stain. The phosphoric acid in the coke is what gets the job done.

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 уои реасе.

Numbers 6:24-26

Catherine:)

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## Letter to the Editor

My family and I would like to express our thanks for your kind words about our mother and grandmother, Helen Fisher, in your June 17th edition. The local newspaper has provided many fond memories for her, which you mentioned in your article. She even remembers when a young man named Jim Davis first came to Spearman and for a short while rented a room from her. He too was in the newspaper business there.

She was delighted to see her picture and read the article you had written. Many a person extended the hand of friendship to her over the ninety years she made Spearman her home. She reluctantly made the move to Memphis but her heart will always be in

Hansford County.

We also want to thank each and every member of the staff at the Hansford Manor and the Hansford Hospital for their excellent professional service. But, more than that, we appreciate the personal attention and kindness they gave mom. Both facilities are first-rate and the community and county are fortunate to have them. My children were born in Hansford Hospital in 1994 and 1995 and with mom being there for the past two years I've had an opportunity to look around. If anything the hospital looks better than it did then and the manor was a welcome addition.

Dr. Sharma is also an asset to the community as I'm sure the other doctors are. Mom had only one complaint with the good doctor....said he needed a haircut....which he soon got...so he met all her criteria and continued to take excellent care of her. He is not only professional, but a kind person with bedside manner few of us experience, certainly not in the city. We extend our sincere thanks

From all of us we just say thank you Spearman, Gruver and Hansford County for being so good and so nice to Missy.

Texie & Zack B. Fisher Kelli & Mark Little and Peyton Cara & Kevin Fisher and Zack & Kord

## **Heritage Days Winners**

Winners have been announced the Heritage Day events of June

In the Heritage Day Parade, the Hansford Honeys (Red Hat Society) was the winner of the \$50 prize.

Callie Yarbrough was the first place winner in the decorated bicycle contest while Cassie Bowers was the second-place winner. Poker Run Winners: High Hand - Susan Doughton Low Hand -Kirk Adams, Long Distance Winners - Francis and Eligio Garcia of

The Charlie Little Memorial Rib Cook-Off: Bean Division -First Place - the Spearman Volunteer Fire Department, Second Place -team of Mike Cudd and Craig Schuman.

Calf Fries - First Place - team of Mike Cudd and Craig Schuman Second Place - team of Damon Goodheart, Freddie Walton, Kyle

Nollner, and Coy Kelly. Ribs - First Place - team of Craig Schuman and Mike Cudd,

Second Place - Roots Ribs (Randy Davis) Overall Winner - Mike Cudd and Craig Schuman (Red Raider

## **Heritage Days Royalty**

Congratulations to Don and Dorothy Hudson, the 2004 Heritage Days King and Queen.







**Dorothy Hudson** 



"I've found the problem, Ma'am, and you were right: it just doesn't like you."

## **Editors Note...**

Freedom of speech is one of the guarantees of the First Amendment of our Constitution, so we encourage readers to express themselves, even if we don't agree with what is said. However, freedom involves responsibility. Therefore, the only letters we will consider publishing are from individuals who are willing for their names to appear with the letter. Letters must contain the telephone number, address and a personal signature of the writer. We will not knowingly publish any letter containing

In the event that numerous letters are received concerning the same subject, letters can be limited to one pro and one con letter per publication. Eligible letters will be published in the order in which they were received.

"Letters To The Editor," like all materials submitted to this newspaper, are subject to editing for space and clarity. The publication of any letter or article is the decision of the Editor and Publisher. Deadline for all news, as well as "Letters To The Editor," is 5 p.m. on Monday.

The Hansford County Reporter-Statesman

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

Thank you, Catherine

June 24 Birthday - Patricia Miner, Ellen Graham, Denise Holliday, Allen Davis, Lee

Bob Harper, C.T. Collier, Ed West, Margie Davis, Harold Frost, David Pipkin, Nathan Kirk, Patricia Miner

Anniversary - Mary & Julio Vasquez, Mr. & Mrs. Bobbie

June 25 Birthday - Betty Womble, Nita Bynum, Pete Stafford, Vickie Stewart, Jennifer Umphress, Joey Woolley, Curtis Wayne Porter, Porter, Candice Janzen, Lisa LaFarr, Billie Jo Moore Pierson, Oneida Bynum

Anniversary - Mr. & Mrs. B.J. Renner, Mr.and Mrs. Ronnie Williams, Mr. & Mrs. Dennis Quimby, Terry & Sherry Moore, Mr. & Mrs. Richard Marrs

June 26

Birthday - Paula Kelly,
Mike Blanton, Bill McClellan, Omar Sutton, Carla Harper, Doris Pinkerton, Teresa Bennett, Ann Vela, Ronnie Ring, Ashley Baker, Vanessa Cease, Paul Bynum, Joe

Trevor Shields Anniversary - Will & Tiffany Crane, Mr. & Mrs. Garry Hathaway, Mr. & Mrs. Joe Lopez, Mr. & Mrs. Verlin

Ruthlin, Chelsea Nollner,

June 27 Birthday - Max Frick, Clint Irwin, Steve Baggerly, Elden Allen, Allen Cook, Tyler Scott, Charlie Lopez, Karen Johnson, Bob Meek

Anniversary - Mr. & Mrs. Bill Turner, Mr. & Mrs. Randy Coombs, Judy & Darl

June 28 Birthday - Carson Womble, Linda Rowland, Don Allen, Ernie Vanderberg, Brummet, Helen Hand, Mrs. A.F. Loftin, Sue Tindell, Trent England, Meghan Jade

Anniversary - Harvey & Sandra Proffitt, Mr. & Mrs. Cecil Biggers, Mr. & Mrs. Jim Derington, Mr. & Mrs. Bruce

June 29 Birthday - Ira Gross, Hazel Taylor, Scott Strawn, Gary Johnson, Sandra Gumfory, Monica Blackman, Rajan Traften, June Tucker

Anniversary - Mr. & Mrs. Charles Bell, Mr. & Mrs. Amadeo Cazares

June 30

Birthday - Mike Minter, Ricky Thompson, Esmeralda Vela, Snider, John Margarette Evans, Kyle Brock, Jeff Hohertz, Keri Lou Schneider, Willie Vera, Paige Burgin, Daniel Crug, Ed Cook, Austin Benton, Katelyn Villarreal, Shari (Smith) Githens

Anniversary - Ishmael & Anna Vela, Mr. & Mrs. Claude Sheets Jr., Mr. & Mrs. D.A. Cator, Mr. & Mrs. Walter Murrell, Mr. & Mrs. Paul Stavlo, Mr. & Mrs. S.J. Wells, Mr. & Mrs. Carl Kunselman, Joe & Elvia

July 1 Birthday - Ida Hendrick, Pauline Lopez, Pauline Rosa Rojas, Jackson, James Cunningham, Loydell Sparks, Dwayne Smith, Manlene Cook

Anniversary - Mr. & Mrs. Dee Mayfield, Mr. & Mrs. Jerry Hart, Mr. & Mrs. Charles Brillhart, Kevin & Ronda Bynum, Clay & Pam Schnell

Birthday - Lou Chapman, Janet Irwin, Wayne Biggs, Hermosillo, Hermosillo, Keri George, Channing Burggess, Gary

Anniversary - Mr. & Mrs. Jimmy Valandingham, Burt & Lynell Williams, Ron & Loretta Cook, John & Debbie DeLaRosa

Birthday - Julie Gumfory, Randy Lowe, Todd Williams, Charlie Lopez, Audene Beck, Lynn Sheets, Trudie Gordon, Meredith Benton, Gibson, Ronda Gene Reynolds, Trevor Shipley, Debra Gallimore, Verlin Behne, Bill Porter, Cheryl Salgado, Henniretta Andrews

Anniversary - Bill & Verna

July 4 Birthday - Barry Barkley, Donna Been, Gene Duncan, Mary Weldon, Farene Williams, Faye Cunningham, James Umphress, Ofelia June Patterson, Vela, Melvyn Bradley, Kim Swink Anniversary - Mike & Kathy Peck, Mr. & Mrs. Walter Postoak, Mr. & Mrs. Jerald Ray Scribner

July 5 Birthday - Sydney Clawson, Kent Benton, Mrs. George Rook, Mack McLain, Linda Walker, Jame Bridges Tom Dortch, Dawn Bridges, Connie Gibson Dixon, Blayne Schrader, Alfo Martinez, Melanie Elliott Alfonso

Anniversary - Mr. & Mrs. Bill Been, Mike & Kathy Brown, Mr. & Mrs. Anthony Wilkerson, Burton & Wanda Schubert

Birthday - Scott Attwood, Monte Beck, Rickey Shields, Kimberly Ann Benton, Gene Dennis, June Day, Ann Vasquez, Sparks

July 7
Birthday - Pat O'Conell, Steve Benton, Brenda Sue Bowling, Greg Meisner, Steve Lesly, Virginia Reyes, Magda Rivera, Brian Sparks, Justin Bowman, Daniel Ward, Karen Pierce, Mattie Davis, B.J. Hughes, Reid

Anniversary - Mr. & Mrs. Kenny Bratton, Kelly &







Hansford Golf Club Hosts Tuesday Night Scrambles The Hansford Golf Club Tuesday Night Scrambles are in ull swing. Tee-off is at 6 p.m. each Tuesday. Contact Ross Donahue, Curtis Covington or Sheri Benton for more info.

Hansford County Library's Summer Reading Club Hansford County Library will be offering a summer reading club for all children age 3 through second grade. There will be programs at the library each Tuesday morning in June with ages 3-5 years old coming from 10:00 to 10:45, and children who have just completed kindergarten through second grade coming from 11:00-11:45. Children who have just completed grades 3-5 may participate in the reading portion of our summer reading club and will receive a certificate upon completion of five hours of reading time. Time logs are available at the library. Our theme this year is "Color Your World...Read!", and our programs will include The Colors of Your Neighborhood, Color Your World with Animals, The Rainbow Connection, Food Colorful Food and The Colors of Our County-Red, White and Blue. All summer programs provided by Hansford County Library are free of charge, and all summer programs are done in cooperation with the Community Resource Coordinator.

Medicare Program Planned

"Managing the Maze of Medicare" will be the topic of a program sponsored by teh Ochiltree County Extension Office. Andy Crocker, Extension Program Specialist - Gerontology Health, will present the program on Wednesday, June 30th from 2-4 p.m. at the Expo Center in Perryton. He will talk about qualifying, purchasing and using the new drug cards, supplemental insurance, and purchase of medical supplies from TV, mail or internet. For more information on the program contact Cynthia Shattles at 435-3831.

Sharing Hope Ministry

Sharing Hope Ministry is accepting registrations for booths for its annual "Christmas in October" gift and craft show. The event will be held in the South Exhibit Hall of the Amarillo Civic Center on Saturday, October 2, 2004, from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., and on Sunday, October 3, from 1 to 5 p.m. The show will feature over 100 booths with a variety of handmade arts and crafts, fine artwork, jewelry, unique gift items, and one of the Panhandle?s largest holiday bake sales. For more information, please contact Sharing Hope Ministry at 358-7803. (Sharing Hope Ministry, Inc., is a nonprofit organization)

2004 Streetball Challenge

Amarillo's original 3-on-3 streetball event returns for the 13th consecutive year as Kids, Incorporated brings the ultimate in basketball to a new location at the Amarillo National center on the Tri-State Fairgrounds. The 2004 Streetball Challenge is scheduled for Saturday, July 10th and Sunday, July 11th. The tournament is open to male and female players. Divisions begin at the 10 & under age group and progress through the adult Supreme Court division. Teams will be grouped into divisions with teams of similar age and playing ability. Entry fees are \$96 per team with an entry deadline of 5 p.m. on Wednesday, July 7th. Entry forms are to be turned in to Kids, Incorporated, located at 27th and Osage in Amarillo. Each player will receive an official event t-shirt, and each team is guaranteed a minimum of three games. Prizes will be awarded to the first and second place winners in each division. Entry forms are available at Kids, Incorporated Warehouse, or online at www.kidsinc.org. for more information, please contact Kids, Incorporated at 376-5936 or info@kidsinc.org.

CRP Managed Haying and Grazing Changes If you are intending to hay or graze CRP, the rules have changed! There is now only one period of time to hay or graze. That is from July 2nd through October 31st. The cost is 25% of the rental rate times the acres hayed or grazed. These acres cannot be haved or grazed again until 2007 The maximum length of time grass can be grazed is 120 days. In order for you to get the maximum benefit from the cost of grazing you will need to start grazing on July 2nd or shortly there after. You must complete paperwork in the Farm Service Agency office, 909 W 9th in Spearman, before you can turn cattle on the CRP grass or swath down the grass. For more information, call 659-3036.

Homer's Backyard Ball

Homer's Backyard Ball will be held this Friday and Saturday, June 25 & 26 at the Tri-State Fairgrounds in Amarillo. Featured artists will include Cross Canadian Ragweed, Billy Joe Shaver, Gary P. Nunn, Tommy Alverson, Wade Bowen & West 84, Bo Salling & The Brakes Are All Gone Band, The Mike McClure Band and more. This year features longer sets from the artists and some extra time in between the bands to let everyone get up and venture around the event. All ticket holders to this years party will be put into a drawing for a pair of Southwest Airline tickets and another drawing for a Backyard Adventures playset. (YOU MUST BE PRESENT TO WIN.) The cook teams will be preparing food all day for the cook-off, what's better though is that you're able to eat as much as you want! Make sure you get a plate as you'll have full license to go judge for yourself what is top notch this year. Due to site restrictions - this year's party will NOT be a BYOB event. Also - video cameras are not allowed at this years event. Chair's, couches, blankets, small tents are all still allowed! We're also bringing back a vendor area for you to shop at, children's playground for the kiddos, band merchandise, the Homer Wear booth and MUCH more. Come early, stay late and sample a little bit of everything.

Beef Cattle Short Course Set for August 2-4, 2004 The 50th annual Texas A&M University Beef Cattle Short Course will be held Aug. 2-4 at the Texas A&M University Center and Rudder Tower in College Station. The short course will begin at 8 a.m. on August 2. Topics will include bovine spongiform encephalopathy (more commonly known as mad cow disease), exports, national animal identification, bio-security and management practices. Included will be discussions on genetic markers, expected progeny differences, ultrasound, reproductive performance evaluation, selection for feed efficiency, pasture and forage management, cattle handling techniques, business management, and record keeping. The short course will also feature the annual "Cattlemen's College." Participants will be able to choose from 15 workshops on everything from genetic improvement to forage management. More than 90 businesses are expected to have exhibits in the accompanying trade show. The registration fee of \$120 per participant includes educational materials, a copy of the proceedings, trade show admittance, tickets to the prime rib dinner and three other meals, and refreshments. To register, call (979) 845-6931 or go to the Web at http://animalscience.tamu.edu. Information and scheduling was mailed to former participants in late

## **Texas Crop, Weather Report**

Some crops in the state have improved dramatically after the

The following specific livestock, crop and weather conditions were reported by district Extension directors for the Panhandle: soil moisture short. Corn irrigation is under way. Spider mites, corn borer and rootworm activity continues. Cotton is making excellent progress. Sorghum planting continues. Dry weather has allowed wheat harvest to make rapid progress. Rangeland conditions continue to decline. Cattle are rated in fair condition.

# MDA Ambassador, Best-Selling Author Mattie Stepanek Dies at 13



Mattie Stepanek

TUCSON, AZ, June 22, 2004 The Muscular Dystrophy Association mourns the loss of a "shining star," 13-year-old Matthew (Mattie) J.T. Stepanek, who died Tuesday in Washington due to complications from his rare neuromuscular disease.

Stepanek, of Rockville, MD, had dysautonomic mitochondrial myopathy, a genetic neuromuscular disease that impaired almost all of his body's major functions, such as heart rate, breathing, blood pressure and digestion, and caused generalized muscle weakness.

Stepanek's mother, Jeni, 44, has the adult-onset form of the disease, and his three older siblings died of it in early child-

At an early age, Mattie developed his personal life philosophy: "Remember to play after every storm. You go through many hard things in life but if you are confident, you'll get through it. You always have to remember to celebrate because that's what charges you up to get through another life storm."

In 2001, a slim volume of his poetry, Heartsongs, was published by a small Virginia publisher, and Stepanek's fame took off. Four more books followed, including Journey Through Heartsongs, Hope Through Heartsongs, Celebrate Through Heartsongs and Loving Through Heartsongs, released in January 2003.

Stepanek and his mother were active MDA volunteers for many years.

Born July 17, 1990, Mattie wasn't expected to live longer than 24 hours, but somehow defied the odds.

Stepanek made good use of his gift of time. As his poetry rose to the top of the best-seller lists, he used his fame to speak out for peace and for the MDA

Stepanek urged people to choose to make peace an attitude. We have to want it and make it something that truly matters inside of us.'

Stepanek - who said he wanted to live to be 101 and be "a poet, a peacemaker and a daddy" - always was realistic about the possibility of a cure being found for his rare disease in time to save him.

"But even if they don't find a cure in my lifetime, we can never give up hope," he said. "If you can help do something to fight it, eventually we can find a cure and we can all be happy that each of us were part of the effort."

Mattie is survived by his mother; his service dog, Micah; and friends.

MDA is the world's largest non-governmental sponsor of research seeking the causes of and effective treatments for neuromuscular diseases, sponsoring some 400 research projects annually.

For more information about medical services available through the MDA clinic, support groups, summer camp, or other services for people and families affected by a neuromuscular disease in MDA's program, please call the Health Care Service Coordinator at 806-793-5632.

If you would like to make a donation to MDA, write to: Dystrophy Muscular National Association, Headquarters, 3300 East Sunrise Drive, Tucson, AZ 85718, or call 520-529-2000.

## Heartsong

I have a song, deep in my neart,

And only I can hear it. If I close my eyes and sit ery still

It is so easy to listen to my When my eyes are open and I am so busy and moving

and busy, If I take time and listen very hard,

I can still hear my Heartsong. It makes me feel happy.

Happier than ever. Happier than everywhere And everything and every-

In the whole wide world Happy like thinking about Going to Heaven when I die. My Heartsong sounds like

I love you! I love you! How happy you can be! How happy you can make The whole world be!

And sometimes it's other Tunes and words, too, But it always sings the Same special feeling to me. It makes me think of Jamie, and Katie and Stevie, And other wonderful things. This is my special song. But do you know what? All people have a special

Inside their hearts! Everyone in the whole wide

Has a special Heartsong. If you believe in magical,

nusical hearts, And if you believe you can be happy,

Then you, too, will hear your song. March 1996

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ARTURO SALAZAR

GRUVER - Arturo Salazar, 39, died Sunday, June 20, 2004. Services were at 2 p.m. today in Gruver United Methodist Church with the Rev. Guillermo Morales and Deacon Jim Brown officiating. Burial will be in Gruver Cemetery by Boxwell Brothers Funeral Home.

Mr. Salazar was born in Durango, Mexico, on August 10, 1964. He had lived in the area since 1980, moving from Mexico. He mar-

ried Leticia Vela on May 23, 1987, in Spearman.

He was a farmer and a member of Sacred Heart Catholic Church of Spearman, where he was a youth and CCD teacher. He was also a member of Knights of Columbus, where he served as secretary for six years. He served on the Gruver Elementary Campus Improvement Team and Gruver District Education Improvement

He was a youth basketball coach and a member of Texas Association of Sports Officials and Oklahoma Secondary School Activities Association. In 2004, he received the Greyhound Booster of the Year Award. He was also a beloved friend to many in Hansford County. He graduated from school in Durango with an electrician's certificate. He became a citizen of the United States on May 25, 2000.

He was preceded in death by a brother, Luis Salazar; and his grandparents, Vincente Salazar and Jose and Guadalupe Vasquez. Survivors include his wife; two sons, Stephen Salazar and Matt Salazar, both of Gruver; his parents, Luis and Elena Salazar of Gruver; his grandmother, Margarita Salazar of Durango; four brothers, Adan Salazar of Gruver, Adrian Salazar of Plainview, and Fabian Salazar and wife, Michelle, and Steven Salazar and wife,

Richardson and Susie Miranda and husband, Jamie, of Grand Prairie; 11 nieces and nephews; and a host of dear friends. The family suggests memorials be to Sacred Heart Catholic Church, P.O. Box 127, Spearman, TX 79081; or Hansford Hospice, 707 S. Roland St., Spearman, TX 79081.

Monica, all of San Angelo; two sisters, Mercedes Salazar of

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First Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) 29 S. Bernice • 659-2036 Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Worship: 10:50 a.m. Minister - Gary Smith

First Baptist Church Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Worship: 11 a.m. Evening Worship: 7 p.m.
Wed. Fellowship Meal: 6 p.m.
Wed. Disc. Time: 6:30 p.m.
Wed. Youth Mtg.: 8 p.m.
Pastor - Patrick Six

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

Sacred Heart Catholic Church 901 Roland • 659-2792 Sat. Night Mass: 5:30 p.m. Sun. Mass: 9 a.m. - English (aired on KRDF-FM 98.3) Sun. Mass: 11:30 - Spanish 1:30 p.m.. - Gruver - Christo Rendentor Mass - Spanish

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Rev. Guillermo Morales

Grace Presbyterian Church 1101 Bernice • 659-2033 Pastor - Beverly Cook

Faith Lutheran Church (ELCA) 1101 Bernice • 659-2252 Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Worship: 11 a.m. Grace Presbyterian Church) Pastor - Beverly Cook

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

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Disciple Training: 6 p.m., Sunday
Prayer Meeting: 7:30 p.m. Wednesday
Pastor - Scott Curry

> Church of Christ 209 King • 733-2760 Sunday School: 9:30 a.m. Worship: 10:20 a.m. Evening Worship: 6 p.m. Wed. Worship: 7:00 p.m. Minister - Gaylord Cook

First Christian Church 510 King • 733-2960 Sunday School: 10:00 a.m. Sunday Worship: 11 a.m. Youth: 7:30, Sunday Wed. Bible Study: 8:00 p.m.

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

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Anonymous \$100, Michael

Messer Scholarship through

Spearman Volunteer Fire

Holly Tercero - National

Honor Society \$150, James and

Carol Dunnihoo \$250, Five Star

Equipment \$500, bob and jackie

Pearson \$250, Michael Messer

Fund through Spearman \$250,

Volunteer Fire Department

\$200.Claudia Vaquera - Kerry

Henton Memorial \$500, First

National Bank of Spearman

Oklahoma State University Out

of State Tuition Waiver \$3750.

H&H Credit Union \$1000.

Paula Schroeter \$5000 (renew-

able for four years0, Gates

(renewable for four years),

Lions Club \$250, North Plains

Electric Coop \$750, Lynx and

Lynxette Booster Club \$500.

National Honor Society \$300,

Kerry Henton Memorial \$500,

First National Bank of

Spearman \$400, H&H Water

Brittany Vera - Karl Nielsen

and Karn J. Nielsen adminis-

tered by First State Bank

\$699.78, Gladiola Flower Club

\$500, Spearman Chamber of

Energy and Tim and Terrie

Harper \$500, Anonymous \$500,

Amarillo Globe News Volunteer

\$1000, H&H Credit Union

\$250, Distinguished Amarillo

College Employees Scholar

\$400, Lynx and Lynxette

The following Spearman High School graduates received

continuing scholarships totaling

Monica Cantu - Spearman

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Rotary Club \$500, Darden

\$250.Laura Flores - Lowe's

Market Place \$750, Bill and

Retired School Employees

\$300, James and Faye

Cunningham \$250, Kent and

Glenda Guthrie \$500, Mike and

Reyna Ruiz - Anonymous \$250, Spearman Rotary Club

\$500, Lady Fair \$500, Speartex

Grain Company \$250, Gene and Francis Cudd \$500

and Jodie Hight \$100, James

and Faye Cunningham \$250,

Carl and Peggy Archer \$250

Chad Scarborough - Keith

Nancy Flores - Hansford

Ginger Pittman \$500.

Pat Cudd \$250

Jocelyn Whitefield - Athena

Vaquera

\$400, H&H Water Well \$500

Department \$200

Claudia

Well \$500

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\$5,900.

## **SHS Scholarships**

Commencement exercises were held for 39 Spearman High School graduates on Friday, May 28, 2004 in the Spearman High School Auditorium.

Graduates received a total of \$135,510.44 in scholarships, with \$36,350 of that being awarded from the Spearman Scholarship Foundation.

Krista Baird, Spearman High School Counselor, announced the following scholarship recip-

Samantha Cazares - Mike Davis Memorial \$500, Cargill \$200. First National Bank of Spearman \$400, North Plains Electric Coop \$750, Classroom Teacher's Association \$250, Lynx and Lynxette Booster Club \$500, AMBUCS - Caprock Holiday Basketball Tournament, Lubbock, TX \$2500

Chris Cudd - Kerry Henton Memorial \$500, Spearman Rotary Club \$500, Gene and Francis Cudd \$50, Lynx and Lynxette Booster Club \$500

Jentry Edwards - Agco of Spearman \$500, Elvonna Davis \$500, Jane Henton \$500, Kerry Henton Memorial \$500, Celebrate \$500, Jerry and Christy Hart \$150, C.A. Gibner \$500, Lynx and Lynxette Booster Club \$500

Diana Flores - Mark Sheets Truck and Automotive \$500, Tharin Company \$500, West Texas A&M University CAMP Scholarship for tuition, room and board and book allowance, WTAMU University Success Initiative \$1700, Texas Advocates for migrant Students **\$200**, Prairie Garden \$200

Ashlee Flowers - L.F. Hand \$500. Kerry Henton memorial \$500, Kirt Insurance \$250, Spearman Rotary Club \$500, Britt and Linda Jarvis \$250, Jerry and Christy Hart \$150, Amarillo Globe News Volunteer North Groundwater \$3000, Gilpatrick Trust administered by First State Bank \$2156 (renewable), WTAMU Residence Hall \$1000, National Honor society Volunteer Program \$500, Lynx and Lynxette Booster Club\$500

Keilee Goodheart - Daco \$500, North Plains Insurance \$500, Anonymous \$500, Cargill \$250, Don and Russ Savage \$250, Jerry and Christy Hart \$150, Brian and Gina Gillispie, in memory of Roy L. Bulls \$250, Classroom Teacher's Association \$250, Lynx and Lynxette Booster Club \$500, Garrett Rex memorial sponsored by the Jr. Lynx and Lynxettes \$500

Tanner Hand - L.F. Hand \$500, Trencor \$1000, Bill and Laura Hand \$500, Small School Academic Competitions 2004

Selina Hernandez - Bob and Candy Boxwell \$500, Family Laundry and RV Park \$250, Britt and Linda Jarvis \$250

Michel Huffaker - EZ Products \$100, Cates Men and Boys Wear \$100, KRDF Radio \$100, Anonymous \$500, Brock Insurance Agency \$200, Small School Academic Competition

Mandie Hunter - Don and Mary Allen \$500, Matt Archer Garnett \$100, Gordon's Drug \$500, Richie and Karen Thompson in memory of Kerry Henton \$250, Max and Dorothy Baggerly \$1000

Emily Longoria - Mike and Michelle Davis \$500, First State Bank - \$500, Farmers Ag Supply - \$500, Keith and Jodie Hight - \$100, John and Jolinda Hutchinson - \$250, Christian Leadership (Dallas Baptist University) \$1858,Dallas Baptist university Academic Achievement \$929, Holt Club

Michael Lozano - Trencor \$1000, Kerry Henton memorial \$500, Hansford Implement \$500, Spearman Ex Students \$1600, Lynx and Lynxette Booster Club \$500, TILF Scholarship \$7,000

Garrett Martin Anonymous \$100, Mike Davis Millennium Scholarship \$1574 memorial \$500, Cody Pipkin \$200, J&M Service Center \$250, Pittman and Sons in memory of Erlis and Ethel Pittman. \$500., High Plains A&M club \$250, Lynx and Lynxette Booster Club \$500, Hansford County 4-H \$500, Garrett Rex memorial sponsored by the Jr. Lynx and Lynxettes \$500

Homero Martinez - Kerry Henton Memorial \$500, Spearman School Board and Superintendent \$500, Hansford Implement \$500, Phillip and Lynna Renner \$500, Spearman Chamber of Commerce \$250

Zach Murray - Mary and Perry Dixon \$250, Spearman Chamber of Commerce \$250, Farmers Ag Supply \$500, Keith and jodie hight \$150, Mark's Seed Cleaning \$500, Gene and Booster Club \$500 Francis Cudd \$500, Holt Club \$500, Karl Nielson and sister Karen J. Neilson administered by First State Bank \$699.78

K'Lee Ratzlaff - Rue Sanders \$350, Brown, Graham&Company \$250, Hansford Agency \$100, First State Bank of Stratford \$100, Hansford Abstract Company \$250, Amarillo College Gervis Taylor memorial \$300, Small School Academic Competition 2004 \$241.55

Russell Sheets - North Plains Groundwater \$4000, Associated Women of Pepperdine %400, Robert C Byrd Scholar \$1500 (renewable for four years0, Pepperdine Regents Scholarship \$20, 000 (renewable for four years), Lynx and Lynxette Booster Club \$500, Small School Academic Competition 2003 \$1400, Small School Academic Competition 2004 \$362.33, Hi Plains Auto Supply \$500, Dr. James Pinkerton \$500, Britt and Linda Jarvis \$250, Pittman and Sons, Inc

Laurel Smith - D&C Greenhouse \$300, James and Carol Dunnihoo \$250, Frontier Feeders \$250, bob and jackie Pearson \$250

Cristina Salgado - First State Bank of Spearman \$500, Renner, Pearson & Company

Dana Sharp - Mary and Perry Dixon \$250, B&B Sales - **GHS Scholarships** 

May 28, 2004 in the school

High School Counselor,

Presidential Scholarship \$800 Ruth Arreola - Frank Phillips College Presidential Scholarship \$800

Panhandle-Plains Club \$500 Carlos

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memorial Scholarship \$500

Dimna Cruz - CAMP (up to) \$5000.

Renee Zelman Endowed Scholarship \$1000, North Plains Electric Cooperative Member Scholarship \$750, Foundation Excellence Award \$2000 (renewable for up to \$8000)

Presidential Scholarship - \$800

Sara Hiser - Nielson & Nielson Scholarship \$699.78, CCST \$1000, Gruver Lions Club \$500

Scholarship Trust - \$1087 (per semester for up to 12 semesters - \$13,044), Gruver Lions Club/Presidential Freedom -

Diana Lopez - WTAMU Residence Hall \$1000, WTAMU Friends of Art \$1000, Gruver Lions Club \$500, Amarillo Area Challenge/AC FPC \$500, Presidential

Manny Lopez - FPC Dean's

Commencement exercises were held for 30 Gruver High School graduates on Friday, auditorium.

Graduates received a total of \$127,043.34 in scholarships. Wendy Branstine, Gruver

announced the following scholarship recipients:

Kristie Balderrama Higher Education Authority \$100, CCST \$1000, Gruver Lions

Borunda Higher Education Authority \$100. CAMP (up to) \$5000, Gruver Lions Club \$500, Etling-Adams Scholarship \$1000 (renewable

Gruver Lions Club \$500, College Academic Scholarship

Chris Clawson - CCST \$1000, Gruver Alumni Scholarship \$1000, Wes Maupin

Scholastic to \$4000), Gruver Scholarship

Chris Hillenbrand - Nielson &

Meagan Knight - Gilpatrick

Scholarship \$600

Rachel Arreola - FPC

Cynthia Briones - Nell K Mitchell Scholarship \$500, Seward County Community

Kalee Crawford - Superior Achievement Scholarship \$1000 (renewable Fund \$1000, Gruver Lions Club

Raul Garcia - Jack B. Kelley Scholarship \$500

Jenny Hart - Norman and High Plains A&M Club \$250

Roberto Hernandez - FPC Nielson Scholarship \$699.78, Gruver Lions Club \$500

Scholarship \$800

Dane and Shannon (Holton) Steinberger of Lockwall, TX wish to announce the birth of their son, Harrison Dale Steinberger. Harrison was born in Dallas on Friday, May 28, 2004 at 6:12 p.m. He weighed 6 pounds, 5 ounces and was 19 3/8 inches long.

Proud grandparents are Jerry and Cindy Holton of Spearman and Bill and Judy Steinberger of Perryton.

Great-grandparents are Sis Steinberger of Stratford, Gladys Brown of Sunray, Elizabeth Holton of Spearman and Cap Benson of Amarillo.

Harrison is watched from Heaven by his big brother, Haden.

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Cassie Myatt - Honors Endowed Scholarship \$2500 (renewable to \$10,000), F. Richard Heineman Scholarship \$1000, Harwell & Harwell Orthodontics Scholarship \$500, Gruver Lions Club \$500, TABC/Brenda Carter Memorial \$500, Robert C. Byrd honors Scholarship \$1500 (renewable for four years - \$6000), Highest Ranking Graduate/Valedictory Exemption \$1500-\$2000

David Puebla - Honor Hispanic Heritage/Fanta Scholarship \$1000, CAMP Scholarship (up to) \$5000, Residence Hall Scholarship \$1000

Luis Ramirez - FPC Presidential Scholarship \$800, Gruver Lions Club \$500

Colby Red - Cleo Jenkins Scholarship \$300, Dennis Stedje Memorial FFA Scholarship \$500, Wes Babbs Memorial Scholarship \$500, Gruver Lions Club \$500

Hutch Reed - Nielson & Nielson Scholarship \$699.78, Scharon Saltzman Memorial

FFA \$500, Colt Cluck Memorial Scholarship \$2500, Gruver Lions Club \$500

Jose Rodriguez - PTO Scholarship \$1000, FPC Presidential Scholarship \$800, Colt Cluck Memorial Scholarship \$2500

Cecilia Rosales - Panhandle-Plains Higher Education Authority \$100, CAMP Scholarship (up to) \$5000, WTAMU Residence Hall \$1000

T. Jay Sherrill - H&H Credit Union \$250, TTU College of Ag Science \$700, Gruver Chamber of Commerce Scholarship \$300, Dennis Stedje Memorial FFA Scholarship \$750, Gruver lions Club/Presidential Freedom \$1125

Nick Slough - Reach Out... Volunteer Scholarship \$1000, Sharon Saltzman Memorial FFA \$500, GHS Math Department Scholarship \$1000, Gruver Lions Club \$500

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## **TxDOT Seeks To Cut Down Roadside Trees**

The Texas Department of Transportation and the counties of Roberts, Carson, Gray Hemphill, Ochlitree, and Lipscomb are currently involved in a dispute over the proposed cutting of all mature trees within 30' of the fog lines on either side of the highway along a 146 mile corridor, mostly along Highway 60 and US 83.

The Canadian Record and Seth Tomlinson, a citizen of Miami, are seeking to stop the cutting of the trees.

Like most of the counties of the upper Panhandle, the six counties do not have a large population, which translates into clout. They need the support of their neighbors. If you have questions or your would like to voice your concerns, you may call Mark Tomlinson at the Amarillo Tx DOT office 356-3200 or write to Kay Bailey Hutchinson or Governor Rick Perry.

Seth Tomlinson will provide updates on the situation at his e mail site Seth Tomlinson@wildsteps.com.

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## Gruver

Wright Laid to Rest Elvin Wright was laid to rest Wednesday, June 16, in Gruver Cemetery. A large contingent of the Harley Club of Amarillo provided a motorcycle escort, with riders from various locations in the Texas Panhandle paying their respects. It was a fitting tribute to Wright who was an avid cyclist.

P.D. Swink Family Moves P. D. and Renee Swink and their children Kelcie and Dalton have moved to Port Isabel. P.D. mother, Norma, also lives in Port Isabel.

The community wishes them well in their new home.

**Community Condolences** Stephen Watkins has recently suffered the loss of a brother and a sister.

Art Salazar passed away on Monday morning. Condolences are extended to his wife Leticia, and sons Stephen and Matt.

Remember these family in your prayers.

## **Gruver Welcomes Glass Family**

Lexy and Tim Glass and daughter Bailey are making their home in Gruver.

The family is moving from

Lexy is a 1997 graduate of Gruver High and the daughter of Gyene and Brad Spivey. Tim graduated from Dumas. Both are graduates of West Texas A&M University. Lexy was an advanced science teacher, and Tim was a member of the Amarillo Police Force.

Names in the News Former Gruver resident

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Candy Golden, the daughter of Donnie and the late Nell Thoreson, was honored in Sunday's Amarillo Globe News as a volunteer with Junior league in Amarillo.

Billy Kelly Jr. was a guest columnist for the Amarillo Globe News last week.

His article defended former President Reagan from attacks made in the same paper last week by Williams Seewald of Amarillo.

The article was very -well written and thought provoking.

**GVFD Receives Grant** 

Gruver Volunteer VFD has been awarded a \$22,500 grant for operations and firefighter safety programs from the Department of Homeland Security.

According to Robert Blevins, Gruver fire Chief, the funds will be used for much needed equipment and personal fire protection items for the volunteers.

## **Spearman**

**Holts Welcome Little Miss** Brian and Jessica Holt announce the birth of their daughter, Abigail Guinn Holt. Abigail Guinn was born on June 15, 2004 in Amarillo. She weighed 8 pounds, 9 ounces and was 19 1/4 inches long.

"Abigail Guinn has blessed our lives more than we ever could have imagined."

Abigail Guinn was welcomed home by her two-and-a-half year old big brother, Benjamin . Proud grandparents are David and Connie Jiles of Austin and Susan Holt Kidder

of Spearman. Great-grandparents Woods and Myrtle Guinn of Austin and Jack and Jeanne Jiles of Austin.

Spearman Chamber Honors Yards of the Week

The Spearman Chamber of Commerce has listed the yards of the week for the first three weeks of the summer.

Winners for the Week of May 30-June 5: Brad Beedy, Jason Holton, and Janet Scarborough. Week of June 6-12: Don Savage, 920 South Barkley, and Kim Vera.

Week of June 13-19: Joey Wooley, Lee Shavers, and Gwen Smith.

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# M anor M atters

by Merry Sparks

Church of Spearman. We are blessed to have the faithful concern of our community for the residents of the Manor. It is a wonderful blessing for them to be able to attend church at the

After chores were completed on Monday morning we held the Newscurrents Program in the living room. Among other things a it was interesting to me to hear that the entire state of Vermont is on the list of most endangered places for historic preservation. The reason that they wanted this designation was to keep store chains such as Wal-mart out citing endangerment to the picturesque villages, lush countryside and close knit communities. Vermont now has 4 Wal-marts and does not want any more. It is the only state to have ever made the endangered

After lunch our Life Enrichment Class was well attended. Many helpful pointers were given to strengthen relationships. Monday evening Rho Rho Sorority hosted bingo for the residents. Thank you!

Tuesday morning was spent out on the patio enjoying the cool morning and the courtyard. With the water splish-splashing in the fountain and surrounded with flowers and the many new items of beauty to look at it made for a pleasant time of socializing. While everyone was out there, several worked filling and planting the new little flower pots to sit in the dining room. We played the music of Ray Charles to honor his

had a pleasant surprise - Ocie Jenkins of the Kerr-McGee Oil and Gas Co. came to say that his company wanted to buy us some birdseed and bird feeders. Of course we were all delighted. He promptly went to Alco and returned with bird feeders, bird seed, and two wishing wells. Thank you! (When we get them all in place I will try to get a picture to share with you.)

Wednesday morning Janie Kunselman led Bible study as Ernestina Salgado passed out fresh donuts.( I sat in care plan meetings and ate donuts).

The afternoon was busy working on crafts. We have started two projects. We are working on small mailboxes to give to the men of the Manor for Father's Day and we have started working on projects for the 4th of July.

Thursday morning was spent for fathers special.

Thank you to the First Baptist planting flowers in the planters outside of the living room. They also pulled weeds from the tomato plants and enjoyed the fresh morning air.

The afternoon was filled with fun and laughter as the auxiliary hosted bingo and served ice cream to the residents. Thank you to the auxiliary. We appreciate the very important place that you fill. If anyone out there has just a little bit of time on your hands, please contact Judy Nelson and consider joining the auxiliary. They do various activities that are beneficial and fun for everyone concerned.

Friday was a fun filled day starting with olympics practice. We practiced with the tennis ball toss. Later in the morning all the men of the facility that would come (which was all but 2) came to the activity room for a special Father's Day feast. We cooked rib-eye steaks out on a grill and served them lunch in the activity room.

Later in the afternoon we had gathering. marvelous Different individuals from our community brought their antique cars to put on display for the residents. Leon Bagwell brought his 1929 Model A, Kermit McKee brought his 1950 Ford Custom, Tommy Russell brought a 1939 Chevy, Tom Dortch brought his 1935 Ford, Sonny Riley brought a 1928 Model A Ford, Buford Babitzke had a 1939 Chevy, Loyall Turner brought his 1929 Ford AA pick up, and Sam & Debbie Abston brought a 1947 Pontiac hearse. These are very, very nice cars. Many of them travel all over the United States for car shows. I know that Tom After lunch residents met in Dortch has competed in the the living room to do musercise. Great American Race at least You get a real workout there! I two times that I know of. We feel very fortunate and blessed that they were excited about coming to the Manor.

Almost every resident at the Manor went out front around the circle drive to look at the cars and visit with different people. There were many people from the community here to visit and see the car show and the staff here was certainly excited. I heard many residents say "My Mom and Dad had a car just like that one" or we had one of those when I was 5 or my brother used to take me riding in one just like that one when I was just little. It was so much fun I wish you all had been here. Afterwards, we had home made ice cream.

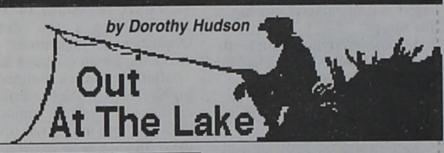
The whole afternoon was special and I really appreciate everyone that came. Thank you to everyone that brought a car, came to visit and had ice cream with us. It made the celebration



Hansford Manor residents enjoy an antique car show on June 18th.



On Friday, June 18th, several local citizens brought their antique cars to put on display at Hansford Manor for the residents to view.





Adrian Padilla, of Guymon, with a 41/2-pound walleye caught Sunday, June 20.

Lake Level--June 21, 2004--38.00 feet (+13.61)

Joy reigns in Palo Duro Park. Last week's rains, ranging from a downpour of 5 inches just west of Gruver to smaller local rains, raised the water level 13.69 feet. It wasn't enough to cover the bridge, as that would have taken another 3.5 feet. (For you who are trying to remember, as I was, the level that runs into the spillway, it is at 77 feet. According to Jim the highest the level has ever been was 66.5 feet in May of 1999.)

Usually when the creeks are running the fishing is good, but not this time.

The best boat ramp to use is the one on the office side. This is not the big permanent one, but instead is the concrete one made when the Lake was down. There have been several

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sightings of a bobcat near the bridge. Dean Coates said he was within 20 feet of the cat. I hope someone will get a picture for

Archie Nelson of Gruver commented that there were white-winged doves here last summer. Since he hears and sees them when he visits daughter Lisa Ellis in El Paso, he is quite familiar with their call. He hears it as "Go catch a fish. Please do." He told that story to Rod Bean, who corrected him, saying, "No, the bird says 'Go play golf'." The Stokes bird book identifies the call as "Who cooks for you?"

One of the pleasures of birding is finding a mystery bird and being able to put a name on it. This happened to Jim and Mandy last week. Their bird was rather large, reddish brown with a streaked light breast and yellow eyes.

When Jim got a chance to see it up close with his binoculars, he noticed the yellow eyes, and that was the clue that gave them the name of Brown Thrasher.

This bird, as do Catbirds and the Northern Mockingbird, mimics the songs and calls of other birds. To tell them apart, listen and remember that Catbirds repeat the phrases once, Brown Thrashers twice, and the Mockingbirds 3 or more

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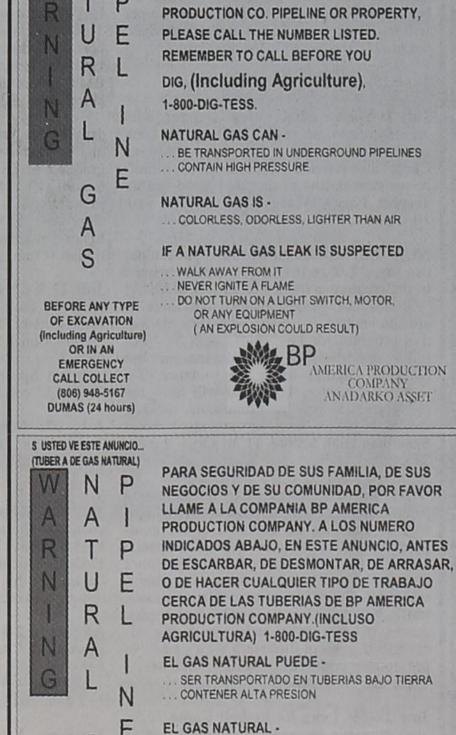
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## CITY OF SPEARMAN

The City of Spearman, Texas met in regular session in the Council Chambers of City Hall, 30 SW Court, on May 25, 2004 with Mayor Steve Benton presiding. Aldermen present were: Ron Antalek, Charles Elliott, Brian Gillispie, Don reed and Alfred Avila. Staff present were: City Manager Robert Patrick, City Secretary Cheryl Gibson-Salgado and Public Works Director Danny Parker. Visitors present were: Jon Garnett, Wanda Reed, Alice Peddy and Ginger Turner.

Call To Order At 7:31 p.m. Mayor Benton declared a quorum present and

called the meeting to order. **Invocation and Pledge** Mayor Benton gave the invo-

allegiance to the flag. Consent Agenda

cation and also led the pledge of

· Consideration of the minutes of the regular City Council meeting held April 20, 2004 and the special City Council meeting held April 27, 2004.

 Consideration of the monthly fire, ambulance, police, animal control, municipal court, solid waste, sales tax and water/waste water reports for April and the natural gas report for March.

 Consideration of the monthly bills payable for April and the current cash position.

· Consideration of the revenue and expense report for April.

Motion was made by Gillispie to approve the minutes of the Regular City Council meeting held on April 20 and the Special City Council meeting held April 27, 2004;

AND

Approve the monthly fire, ambulance, police, animal control, municipal court, solid sales tax, and water/wastewater reports for April and the natural gas report for March;

Approve the bills payable for April in the amount of \$485,992.58 and the current cash position;

AND Approve the revenue and expense report for April. Second by Reed. Motion unanimously carried.

Regular Agenda · Consideration of approving the Appraisal District's audit as

presented by Alice Peddy. Hansford County Appraisal District's Chief Appraiser Alice Peddy presented the City with a refund check in the amount of \$377 and stated that they had a clean audit. The City's representative on the Appraisal District's Board, Ginger Turner, was present and invited the City Council to attend the board meetings and feel free to address any questions they may develop. Motion was made by Gillispie to accept the audit as presented. Second by Elliott. Motion unanimously carried.

 Consideration of adopting Ordinance #747, an ordinance of the City of Spearman, Texas, establishing standards for the excavation and cutting of city streets and right-of-ways; establishing standards for the placement, removal or alteration of any facilities in the city streets and right-of-ways; prohibiting certain activities; establishing duties and responsibilities; requiring permits; establishing fees, charges, and rates for permits; establishing bond requirements; making findings of fact; providing penalties; providing severability, open meetings and publication clauses; and providing for other relevant matters.

Danny Parker stated he has talked with other areas cities that had adopted this similar ordinance. After discussion was held, motion was made by Antalek to adopt Ordinance #747 with the amendment as discussed. Second by Elliott.

Motion unanimously carried. Consideration of adopting Ordinance #748, an ordinance repealing Zoning Ordinance #420 dated November 14, 1979, and enacting a new Zoning Ordinance of regulations; and providing for an effective date.

After Mr. Patrick outlined the highlights of the ordinance, motion was made by Antalek to table the item in order to review the ordinance at more detail.

 Consideration of Resolution #2-04, a resolution by the City Council of the City of Spearman, Texas, authorizing the City's participation in the Panhandle Region (Texas State Planning Region 1) Mutual Aid Agreement and designating the City Manager to serve as the City's chief representative in all matters pertaining to the City's participation in this agreement.

Motion was made by Reed to approve Resolution #2-04. Second by Antalek. Motion unanimously carried.

 Consideration of appointing and re-appointing citizens to various city boards.

Motion was made by Elliott to reappoint and appoint\* the following citizens. Second by Gillispie. Motion unanimously carried.

Planning and Zoning Commission (3 year terms) -Jeff Beedy; Electrical Board (2 year terms) - Craig Vinson, Kyle Nollner, Chris Deakin; Housing Board (2 year terms) - Bonny Thompson (Resident), Ann Snow; Library Board (2 year term) - Mary Alice Gibner, \*Shonda Odegaard; Zoning Board of Adjustment (2 year terms) - Randy Kirk, Alton Ellsworth; Alternates - Don Townsen, Lynanne Maize; Board of Adjustment and Appeals (2 year terms, condem-

nation) - Members Are The Same As Zoning Board Of Adjustment (Above); Airport Advisory Board (2 Year Terms) Mike Cudd, Mike Schnell; SEDCorp (2 Year Terms) Charles Elliott, Mary Dixon. Clay Schnell

 Consideration of Resolution #3-04, a resolution by the City Council of the City of Spearman, Texas, to canvass and declare the results of the Municipal Election held on May 15, 2004.

After the City Council canvassed the election results. motion was made by Antalek to approve Resolution #3-04. Second by Elliott. Motion unanimously carried.

Administer the Oaths of Office to the Mayor and Two

Aldermen The Oaths of Office were given to the successful candidates, Mayor Steve Benton, Alderman Charles Elliott and Alderman Jon Garnett.

Also, at this time Mayor Benton presented Don Reed with a plaque for his 16 years of meritorious and exemplary service as Alderman from 1988-1995 and Mayor Pro-Tem from 1995-2004. After the meeting was adjourned cake and coffee were enjoyed by all and Don Consideration of Electing a

**Mayor Pro-Tem** A nomination was made by Antalek to elect Charles Elliott. After no other nominations were made, a second was made by Gillispie. Motion unanimously carried to elected Charles Elliott as Mayor Pro-Tem.

**Other** No action was taken.

Adjourn Motion was made by Gillispie to adjourn and second by Elliott. Mayor Benton declared the meeting adjourned at 9:03 p.m.

GRUVER ISD

The regular board meeting of the Board of Trustees, Gruver Independent School District was held Tuesday, May 25, 2004 at 6:07 p.m. Members present were: Paul Stavlo, Terry Sherrill, Curt Fitzgearld, Jeff Graves, Jody Irwin, Brent Stedje, and Dwayne Thompson. present

Superintendent David Teal. The Board received the following visitors: Matt Branstine, Debby Odom, Mica Been, Alice

Peddy and Leticia Salazar. Paul Stavlo opened the meet-

ing with a prayer. The oath of office for new school board members Jeff Graves and Curt Fitzgearld was administered by Leticia Salazar.

Junior High Principal Matt Branstine reported on the TAKS results in comparison to last year's and to next year's stan-

Superintendent Teal followed with a report on academic pro-

The officers for the school board are as follows: Dwayne Thompson, president; Paul Stavlo, vice-president; Jody Irwin, secretary.

MEETINGS & MINUTES

Minutes from the April 13, 2004 meeting were accepted.

Alice Peddy of the Hansford County Appraisal District presented the budget for 2004-2005. She also gave a budget history beginning with the year of 1982.

The Board reviewed the following discussion items: set June 8, 2004 at 7 p.m. as the next board meeting; set a budget workshop for Thursday, June 17, 2004 at 7 p.m.; student enrollment - 396; roofing update; gas well; Policy changes; tax sales of lots 14-16 Block 34 for \$4,000 by Hansford Appraisal District; financial report; and updating on revenue and expenditures.

The board entered executive session at 7:45 p.m. and returned at 8:35 p.m. to offer probationary contracts to Michael Floyd and Terry Felderhoff for 2004-2005.

The meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

CITY OF GRUVER

The Gruver City Commission met in regular session on May 12, 2004 at 5 p.m.. Present were Mayor Mark Irwin, City Manager Linda Weller, Commissioner Chad Logsdon, City Secretary Mark Washburn, Commissioner Johnnie Williams, Police Chief Dee Mayfield and visitor Alice Peddy with the Hansford Appraisal District.

The following resolutions were passed: Resolution #05-04 - Creating a Capitalization Policy and Resolution (concerns categorizing all aspects of city's assets); and #04--04 -City's Authorizing the Participation in the Panhandle Regional Mutual Agreement (mutual agreement between counties to help each other in catastrophic event).

Alice Peddy of the Hansford Appraisal District gave a presentation of the FYE 9/30/03

Discussion was held on the hiring of a patrol officer for the

CITY OF GRUVER

The City of Gruver met in regular session Wednesday, June 9, with Mayor Mark Irwin, City Manager Linda Weller, Commissioners Johnnie Williams and Chad Logsdon, and City Secretary Mark Washburn present.

Visitors present were Kristina Christian, Toni Atwood, Charlotte Bergin, and police officer Rodney Nickel.

The commission passed a resolution to continue ambulance service with Hansford County. A discussion was held with

Community Gruver Development Corporation about the 2004 sealcoat project. The commission also dis-

cussed the unsafe building at 418 Main Street and the swimming pool rules and fees.

CITY OF GRUVER

Meeting in special session Monday, June 14 at 7:30 a.m. The Gruver City Commission approved the motion to accept a bid of \$4,000.00 for property seized for back taxes. The property description is Lots 14-16. Blk 34 OT Gruver, otherwise known as 210 King Street.

GLADIOLA FLOWER CLUB The Gladiola Flower Club met on Thursday, May 6, 2004

in the home of Verna Brown. President Margarette Evans called the meeting to order. Minutes were read and approved. The treasurer's report was also given. Roll call was answered with a favorite recipe, with a copy provided for each member.

Muriel Boyd gave the program, showing slides of England and European flower gardens and landscapes.

Eloise Renner and Virginia Tindle won arrangement and Dorothy Buzzard won speci-

Members present were: Muriel Boyd, Verna Brown, Brown, Wanda Dorothy Buzzard, Betty Davis, Margarette Evans, Ann Flowers, Estelle Jackson, June Jackson, Lorene Kunselman, Norma Jean Mackie, Eloise Renner, Kathleen Sutton, Virginia

Trindle and Judy Yarbrough. The next meeting will be on May 20th in the home of Virginia Trindle.

GLADIOLA FLOWER CLUB The Gladiola Flower Club

met Thursday, May 20, 2004 in the home of Virginia Trindle. Margarette Evans, President,

called the meeting to order. Minutes were read and approved. The treasurer's report was also given. Roll call was answered with "Show and Tell." Some old and some newer items were shown with a story for

Wanda Brown introduced the program by Peggy Winegarner. It was an interesting and educational program on "the Safe Handling of Fruits and Vegetables."

Flower arrangement was won by Virginia Trindle. Specimen was won by Estelle Jackson and Virginia Trindle. Potted plant was won by Virginia Trindle.

Members present were: Muriel Boyd, Verna Brown, Brown, Dorothy Wanda Buzzard, Betty Davis, Margarette Evans, Ann Flowers, Estelle Jackson, June Jackson, Norma Jean Mackie, Eloise Renner, Gwen Smith, Virginia

Trindle and Judy Yarbrough. The next meeting will be June 3rd at 3 p.m. in the home of Gwen Smith.

GLADIOLA FLOWER CLUB The Gladiola Flower Club met on Thursday, June 3, 2004 in the home of Gwen Smith.

President Margarette Evans called the meeting to order. Minutes were read and approved. The treasurer's report was also given. Roll call was answered with an "unusual item you freeze."

Dickie Allen introduced the interesting program given by Kay Ivey on photography. Kay showed some of her pictures and gave pointers on correct lighting.

Flower arrangement was won by Ann Flowers. Specimen was won by Norma Jean Mackie and Potted Plant was won by Gwen

Members present were: Dickie Allen, Verna Brown, Wanda Brown, Dorothy Betty Buzzard, Davis, Margarette Evans, Ann Flowers, Estelle Jackson, June Jackson, Norma Jean Mackie, Eloise Renner, Pam Schnell, Gwen Smith, Kathleen Sutton and Charlsie Baker.

The next meeting will be held at Grammy's on Thursday, June 17th at 3 p.m., hosted by Pam Schnell.

GLADIOLA FLOWER CLUB

The Gladiola Flower Club met on Thursday, June 17th at Grammy's with Pam Schnell serving as hostess.

Vice-president Eloise Renner called the meeting to order, the minutes were read and approved. The treasurer's report was also given. Roll call was answered with an interesting thing about an ancestor.

Pam introduced Clay Schnell, who gave a very informative program on identity theft and credit card fraud.

Flower arrangement was won by Dorothy Buzzard. Specimen was won by Kathleen Sutton.

Members present were: Muriel Boyd, Verna Brown, Brown, Dorothy Buzzard, Betty Davis, Estelle Jackson, June Jackson, Lorene Kunselman, Eloise Renner, Pam Schnell, Virginia Trindle and Kathleen Sutton.

The next meeting will be held on July 1st at 3 p.m. in the home of Estelle Jackson.

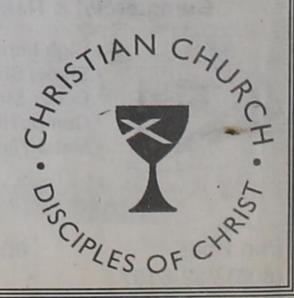
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# Spearman ISD (ids Kamp 2004

June 28-30: Lynx Basketball Camp for boys currently in grades 3-5. Each camper will receive a camp T-shirt and a basketball. 9 a.m.-11:30 a.m., \$25, Varsity Gym

June 29: Color Your World...Read!

July 1: Master Chefs - Boys and girls who are interested in really learning to cook won't want to miss this camp! "Master Chefs" also provides kids with an opportunity to learn nutrition, diet and good health. Teacher Peggy Winegarner. 10-11:30 a.m., Spearman High School

NEW July 5-9: Lego Mania - No builder can say, "Let go my Lego!" when engaged in the creative activities of LEGO MANIA! "Zillions" of pieces ensure that there is always enough for everyone! This innovative program for Lego buffs ages 5-7 provides opportunities for imagination and hands-on learning under the guidance of a certified educator. The child will have the opportunity to construct dinosaurs, rockets, castles, airplanes, forts, cars and much more! Spearman High School, 11:30 a.m. - 2 p.m.,

NEW July 5-9: Lego Logo brings young technicians ages 8-12 into the creative, hightech engineering environment of the computer age. Not found in stores, the special Lego Logo kits equipped with computer hook-ups provide extraordinary opportunities for the hands-on construction of robots, traffic lights, race cars, four-by-four trucks, cranes, pulleys, levers and more during this energized week of discovery with Lego! No previous computer skills necessary. Spearman High School 8:30-11 a.m., \$75

July 12-15: Lynx Basketball Camp is for boys currently in grades 6, 7 and 8th. This camp will be held in the Varsity Gym. The camp will include Hot-Shot contest, Free Throw contest and 3-on-3 basketball tournament. Each camper will receive a T-shirt and a basketball. The cost of the camp is \$25. Times are 9 a.m. to noon daily.

NEW July 13-15: "Code Blue - Junior EMT" is for students who will be in grades 3-5. This class is limited to 10 students. The cost of the camp is \$10.00 and will include medical training as a certified Jr. EMT.Spearman Fire Station, 513 S. Hazelwood, 10 - 11:30 a.m.

July 19-21: Art Camp is the perfect "handson" or "hands-in" art class for children in grades 2-6. Gerald Scovell, Spearman High School art teacher will be teaching the basics in watercolors and pottery. This three-day camp cost \$35.00 and will be from 10 a.m. to noon at Spearman High School. Pre-registration is required.

July 22 & 23: Cheerleading Camp is sponsored by the Spearman Lynx High School Cheerleaders. Times this year will be PK-6, 9 a.m.-noon. The Jr. High Cheerleaders will be 1-3 p.m. Registration is the first day of camp at Spearman High School cafeteria. Cost is \$5 per day

July 27: Movie Madness at the Lyric Theatre for grades K-5. Price is \$4, which includes coke and popcorn and starts at 10:30 a.m.

July 28: Kids Kamp Swim is a special swim time for students participating in KIDS KAMP activities. While attending KIDS KAMP, students will receive a free pass to be used on this day during the regular swimming pool hours

August 2-6: Spearman Lynxette Basketball Camp - Session I - grades 5 & 6, 8-9 a.m., \$40; Session II - grades 7-9, 10 -12:30 p.m. - \$40; Session III - grades 2-4, 1-2 p.m. - \$20; T-shirts included

Vacation Bible Schools: July 19-22, evenings: First United Methodist; August 2-6, evenings: Church of Christ

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2(6-24-04)B
FOR SALE: 2003 Pontiac

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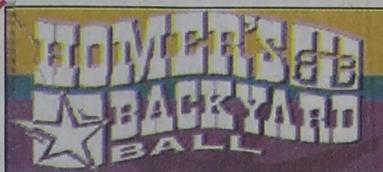
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## Goes Crazy Cajun! The Homer's Crew and Make-A-Wish are this year. Feedback from last year's teams helped

2004 HBB Cookoff

excited to announce a few changes for this years cookoff plus all the same ol' things that make our cookoff a notch above the rest.

What would a Cowboy Mardi Gras be without a little gumbo or etoufee? Just plain silly, so to commemorate the festivities we have temporarily altered the open food category...sound a little craw fishy? Oohhweee, you betta believe it hun. Pull out your muddy bug and Creole recipes cause it is party time!

We have a few other surprises in store for you

us make these changes and we look forward to having you and your friends join us for a great event for a great cause.

This years cookoff is now officially sanctioned by the Lone Star Barbeque Society.

The team Smokin' Johnny (Mike Cudd, Eric Cudd, Julie Jecihek and Craig Schuman) will be defending the first place finish they received last year in the Open Corporate Division. They also placed second in the Pork Ribs and Brisket competitions.

# **Homer's Backyard Ball**

Homer's Backyard Ball will be held this Friday and Saturday, June 25 & 26 at the Tri-State Fairgrounds in Amarillo.

Featured artists will include Cross Canadian Ragweed, Billy Joe Shaver, Gary P. Nunn, Tommy Alverson, Wade Bowen & West 84, Bo Salling & The Brakes Are All Gone Band, The Mike McClure Band and more. This year features longer sets from the artists and some extra time in between the bands to let everyone get up and venture around the event.

All ticket holders to this years party will be put into a drawing for a pair of Southwest Airline tickets and another drawing for a Backyard Adventures playset. (YOU MUST BE PRESENT TO WIN.)

The cook teams will be preparing food all day for the cook-off, whats better though is that you're able to eat as much as you want! Make sure you get a plate as you'll have full license to go judge for yourself what is top notch this year.

For those that don't know - Homer's has a new home this year so make sure you find your way

to the Amarillo Tri-State Fairgrounds.

Due to site restrictions - this year's party will NOT be a BYOB event.

Also - video cameras are not allowed at this years event.

Chair's, couches, blankets, small tents are all still allowed!

We're also bringing back a vendor area for you to shop at, children's playground for the kiddos, band merchandise, the Homer Wear booth and MUCH more. Come early, stay late and sample a little bit of everything.

Friday Lineup (gates open at 7 p.m.): 7:15-9 p.m. - Acoustic song swap with Phil Pritchett, Travis Linville and Buddy Huffman; 9:30-11 p.m. - Billy Joe Shaver

Saturday Lineup (gates open at 11 a.m.): 3-4 p.m. - Bo Salling & The Brakes Are All Gone Band; 4:20-5:20 p.m. - Wade Bowen & West 84; 5:40-6:40 p.m. - Tommy Alverson; 7-8:15 - Mike McClure Band; 8:35-9:55 - Gary P Nunn; 10:15 p.m.- 12 a.m. - Cross Canadian Ragweed

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the child (2) the child's parent(s) or legal guardian(s) (3) a medical professional treating that child, such as a doctor, any child under the age of 18 with a life-threatening illness may be eligible for a wish. Then the question is asked, If you could have one wish, what would it be? The majority of a wish request fall into four major categories, I wish to have, I wish to be, i wish to go, or I wish to meet. A wish is only limited by a child's imagination.

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ing money to benefit our children by treating their bodies with new equipment and medical research. The Make-A-Wish Foundation® is different in that funds are raised benefiting our "KIDS" by treating their souls, giving them something happy and positive to look forward to, by giving them a goal to strive for. A wish can last an hour or a week, but the memories of a wish last a lifetime.

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## Weller Named President to the Region 1 **Texas City Management Association**



Spearman City Manager Robert Patrick (left) congratulates Gruver City Manager Linda Weller on being named president of the Panhandle City Management Association. The Association includes all Texas municipalities from Tulia north.

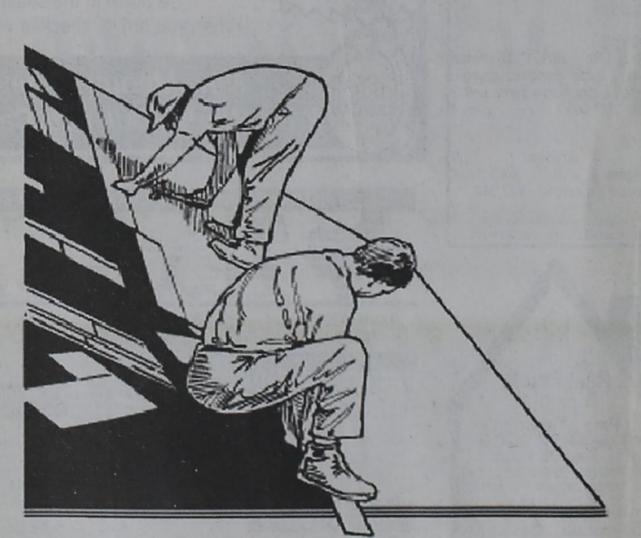
Linda Weller has been voted as President to the Region 1 Texas City Management Association, also known as the Panhandle City Management Association (PCMA).

Weller has served the City of Gruver as City Manager for approximately four years, and has represented Gruver and Hansford County well in the entire Panhandle region. she served the PCMA as Secretary-Treasurer for one year, and Vice

President for two years. The Texas City Management Association is an organization of local government professionals dedicated to promoting the highest standards of governance, service, leadership, ethics, and education while embracing individual and regional diversity for the benefit of our membership and the cities of Texas.

Mrs. Weller has been appointed to her new position immediately following the Texas City Management's annual conference held at Padre Island earlier this month.





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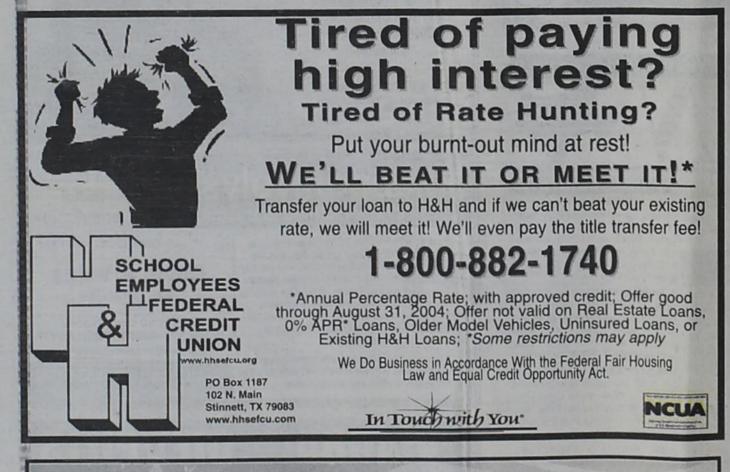
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