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Spearman High School Class of 2011

Spearman High School Graduation

Graduation ceremonies were held on Friday, May 27, 2011 for Spearman High School. Graduates received the following scholarships:

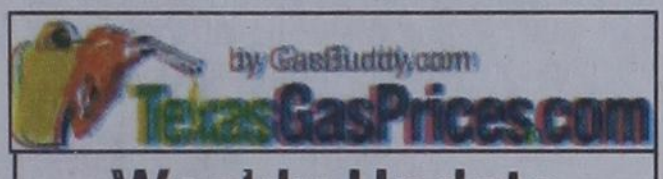
Christy Lang, 2008 graduate - Lloyd Lynn Buzzard Memorial \$1,000
 Chance Pack, 2010 graduate - Spearman Ex-Students Association \$800
 Shi-Ann Nicole Bates - Lynx and Lynxette Booster Club \$500, Mike Messer Scholarship (Sponsored by the Spearman Fire Department) \$200
 Anthony Travis Bennett - United States Army, Montgomery GI Bill \$47,500
 Cody Benton - Garrett Rex Memorial (Sponsored by the Junior Lynx Basketball Program) \$500, Hansford County 4-H \$500, Lynx and Lynxette Booster Club

\$500, North Plains Electric Cooperative At-Large Scholarship \$1,000, Spartan School of Aeronautics and Technology Imagine America Scholarship \$1,000
 Nikki Jo Boyd - Mike Messer Scholarship (Sponsored by the Spearman Fire Department) \$200, Texas Tech University President's Gold Scholarship \$4,000 (for 4 years of Undergraduate Education and 1 year of Graduate Education up to \$20,000.00)
 William Boyer - Amarillo Independent School District Art Scholarship \$50, Spearman Classroom Teachers Association \$250, Texas Panhandle Art Association \$300, West Texas A&M University Art Scholarship \$1,000, West Texas A&M University CAMP Scholarship \$4,030
 Alberto Salvador Camacho - Frank Phillips College Wilma Weston Education Scholarship \$500, Spearman Classroom Teachers Association \$250, Spearman Little League \$250
 Francisco Camacho - Athletic Scholarship, Cisco Junior College Tuition - room & board, books
 Elizabeth Carmona - Frank Phillips College Brumley Foundation Scholarship \$3,000
 Edgar Castillo - Hansford County Farm Bureau \$500, West Texas A&M University C. Ray and Rachael Altmiller Scholarship \$1,000 per year (renewable for 4 years)
 Allysia Comp - Francisco Lozano Memorial (Administered by First State Bank) \$300, Lynx and Lynxette Booster Club \$500
 Mike Messer Scholarship (Sponsored by the Spearman Fire Department) \$200, West Texas A&M University Discovery Scholar \$1,000 per year (renewable for 4 years)
 West Texas A&M University Resident Undergraduate Designated Tuition Schol-

arship \$1,000
 Sharon Marie Dominguez - Mike Messer Scholarship (Sponsored by the Spearman Fire Department) \$200
 Ramon Garcia - CA Gibner Memorial (Administered by First State Bank) \$500, Garrett Rex Memorial (Sponsored by the Junior Lynx Football Program) \$500, Lynx and Lynxette Booster Club \$500, Oklahoma Panhandle State University Educational Achievement Scholarship \$500 per year (renewable for 4 years)
 Trent L. Goodheart - Career Colleges and Schools of Texas \$1,000, Garrett Rex Memorial (sponsored by the Junior Lynx Basketball Program) \$500, Lynx and Lynxette Booster Club \$500, Spearman Little League \$250, Universal Technical Institute Imagine America Scholarship \$1,000
 Laura Daniela Hernandez - West Texas A&M University Discovery Scholar \$1,000 per year (renewable for 4 years), West Texas A&M University Residence Hall Scholarship \$1,000
 Matthew William Jarvis - Hansford County 4-H \$500, Holt Extension Club \$500, North Plains Electric Cooperative Member Scholarship \$2,000
 Joel Kern - Angelo State University Carr Scholarship \$4,000 per year (renewable for 4 years), H&H Federal Credit Union (Frank Lewis Memorial) \$1,000, Lynx and Lynxette Booster Club \$500, PTCI Communication and Broadband Solutions \$1,000
 Katelyn Beth Kizziar - South Plains College Foundation Impact Scholarship \$1,000, Spearman Moose Lodge #2212 \$500, Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board Early High School Graduation Scholarship \$2,000
 Amber Dawn Martinez - Garrett Rex Memorial (sponsored by the Junior Lynxettes) \$500

Cameron Alexander Meddock Garrett Rex Memorial (sponsored by the Junior Lynx Football Program) \$500,
 Lynx and Lynxette Booster Club \$500, Mike Messer Scholarship (sponsored by the Spearman Fire Department) \$200, South Plains College Founders Challenge \$500 per year (renewable for 2 years), Trencor \$1,000, West Wind \$750
 Jose I. Mendoza - Garrett Rex Memorial (sponsored by the Junior Lynx Football Program) \$500, Lynx and Lynxette Booster Club \$500, West Texas A&M University CAMP Scholarship \$4,030
 Rojelio Moreno - Mike Messer Scholarship (sponsored by the Spearman Fire Department) \$200
 Jessica Fernanda Pinon - West Texas A&M University Department of Nursing \$1,200 per year (renewable for 4 years), West Texas A&M University R.C. and Agnes Johnson Scholarship \$800 per year (renewable for 4 years), West Texas A&M University Paul and Amy Romine Scholarship \$2,000 per year (renewable for 4 years), Texas Education Agency Highest Ranking Graduate - Tuition at any Texas university for one year
 Sol Pittman - United States Marine Corps Montgomery GI Bill \$80,000
 Kaitlyn Poole - Karl Nielsen and Sister Karen J. Nielsen Award (administered by First State Bank) \$164, West Texas A&M University \$2,000 per year (renewable for 4 years)
 Natalie Cristina Saldivar - Lynx and Lynxette Booster Club \$500, Spearman High School Edna Hartman Chapter of the National Honor Society \$300
 Seth Salgado Lynx and Lynxette Booster Club \$500

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Weekly Update

Texas, May 31 - Average retail gasoline prices in Texas have fallen 7.0 cents per gallon in the past week, averaging \$3.63/g yesterday. This compares with the national average that has fallen 3.2 cents per gallon in the last week to \$3.77/g, according to gasoline price website TexasGasPrices.com.

Including the change in gas prices in Texas during the past week, prices yesterday were \$1.03/g higher than the same day one year ago and are 20.3 cents per gallon lower than a month ago. The national average has decreased 13.7 cents per gallon during the last month and stands \$1.04/g higher than this day one year ago.

GasBuddy operates GasBuddy.com, TexasGasPrices.com, and over 225 other local gasoline price-tracking websites that follow prices at over 125,000 gasoline stations in the United States and Canada. GasBuddy also uses Facebook (facebook.com/gasbuddy), Twitter (twitter.com/gasbuddy), and phone apps to keep motorists ahead of changing gasoline prices.

Weather Forecast

THURSDAY NIGHT - Partly cloudy. Windy. Lows in the mid 60s. South winds 20 to 30 mph.
 FRIDAY - Partly cloudy. Breezy. Highs in the mid 90s. South winds 20 to 25 mph.
 FRIDAY NIGHT - Partly cloudy. Breezy. Lows in the lower 60s. South winds 20 to 25 mph decreasing to around 15 mph after midnight.
 SATURDAY - Partly cloudy. Highs in the mid 90s.
 SATURDAY NIGHT - Partly cloudy. Lows in the lower 60s.
 SUNDAY - Partly cloudy. Highs in the lower 90s.
 SUNDAY NIGHT - Partly cloudy. Lows in the lower 60s.
 MONDAY - Partly cloudy. Highs in the lower 90s.
 MONDAY NIGHT - Partly cloudy. Lows in the lower 60s.
 TUESDAY - Partly cloudy. Highs in the mid 90s.
 TUESDAY NIGHT - Partly cloudy. Lows in the lower 60s.
 WEDNESDAY - Partly cloudy. Highs in the mid 90s.
 Read more: <http://www.city-data.com/forecast/w-Spearman-Texas.html#ixzz0xgJSWQKT>

Texas Crop & Weather

The following specific livestock, crop and weather conditions were reported by Panhandle Extension directors: The region continued to be hot and dry with high winds, which adversely impacted all crops. High wildfire danger continues to be the major concern across the region, with all counties needing moisture. Producers were busy irrigating summer crops, planting of corn and cotton, and haying wheat and alfalfa. Some producers were unable to switch irrigation from corn to other crops because soils were drying faster than water could be applied. In some areas, blowing sand added to the stress on corn and cotton. Livestock producers continued to feed cattle. Some producers were culling their herds. Though in some areas cotton had barely emerged, producers already were forced to spray for thrips. The winter wheat crop continued to lose ground, and growers were concerned about the drying and early maturing of kernels.

Spearman Big Fun Run 5K Race and Family Fun Walk Benefits Big Brothers Big Sisters

The Big Fun Run and Family Fun Walk, to benefit the Wheatheart Satellite of Big Brothers Big Sisters, was held in conjunction with Spearman's Heritage Days on Saturday, May 21st. The event raised over \$1,800 to benefit the local program. 74 participants in all age groups came out to run or walk at the event.

Runners from Perryton, Spearman, Morse, Gruver, Amarillo, Booker, Plains, and Liberal participated in the 5K race. The overall first place winner, with a time of 17:37 minutes, was Jovanny Mercado,

of Perryton, who also won the event last year. Coming in second overall, with a time of 20:16, was Tylo Farrar, of Spearman.

Prizes were awarded to male and female first and second place winners in each of four divisions. 14 & under: first male, Cade Garnett, second male, Aiden Garnett; first female, Payton Harrell, second female Slade Garnett. 15-25: first male, Jovanny Mercado, second male, Blake Fitzgearld; first female, Tylo Farrar, second female, Sarah Snider. 26-40: first male, Ben But-

ler, second male, Zach Heflin; first female, Trista Fitzgearld, second female, Yolanda Hermsillo. 41+: first male, Chris Campbell, second male, Jackie Cannon; first female, Teresa Siewert, second female, Connie Dumcum.

For the last three years, races have been held in Perryton in August during the Wheatheart Celebration. This is the second year for the Spearman event in our race series. Runners who participate in both events will receive a medal and discounted entry fees. The Perryton race will be on Saturday, August 20th prior to the parade.

Event sponsors helped make the fundraiser a success and we can't thank them enough! Nabors Well Services was the major event sponsor. Lowe's Supermarket of Perryton and Booker Grocery supplied the finish line refreshment table. Lemon Law underwrote the awards. Gerald L. Holmes created the original artwork for the t-shirt design.

Event organizers recognized the following for their support: the City of Spearman, Spearman Police Department, Keith Hight and the Heritage Days Committee, Spearman ISD, Lone Star Runners Club, Southwest Fun Time Runners, and the SportZone.

Race coordinator was Starla Whiteley; Matt Bartosiewicz was the assistant race coordinator. The event was staffed by Big Brothers Big Sisters Advisory Committee members and Shane Whiteley, Spearman Junior High Principal. Volunteers from Spearman High School and Spearman ISD helped throughout the morning as well.

The local Big Brothers Big Sisters' office serves Perryton, Spearman, and Gruver. Over 130 children have been matched with caring mentors in school and community based programs this year. For more information about the program or to register for the August 5K call BBBS at 806-434-0016.

Equine Herpesvirus-1 (EHV-1) Update



May 31, 2011

The Texas Animal Health Commission (TAHC) continues to investigate one confirmed case of the neurologic form of EHV-1 in a Quarter Horse racehorse, stabled in Ector Co., that is not connected to the Ogden, Utah National Cutting Horse Association (NCHA) event. The affected horse displayed neurologic symptoms consistent with the disease, and ultimately tested positive for EHV-1. All horses on the premises are under quarantine and will be managed according to USDA recommendations for confirmed cases. Ad-

ditional information is being gathered to determine if any other horses were exposed.

Regarding the Ogden, UT event, 11 of the 26 horses in Texas that attended the event remain under movement restriction. The number of cohorts (stablemates), under movement restriction has dropped from 323 to 171. There are now a total of seven premises that have been exposed in the following counties: Randall, Parker, Jack, and Mills counties. No Texas origin horse from the Ogden event has been confirmed to have the neurologic form of EHV-1, so far.

In other situations where horses have either shown signs consistent with EHV-1 or tested positive for EHV-1, movement restrictions have been put in place while additional diagnostic work is conducted by the attending veterinarian.

The TAHC has transitioned from daily updates on EHV-1 to twice weekly updates, unless new cases are confirmed in the future.

For information regarding EHV-1, visit www.tahc.state.tx.us. You can also keep up with EHV-1 information through our Facebook (www.facebook.com/Texas-AHC) and Twitter (www.twitter.com/TAHC) sites.

Wolf Creek Heritage Museum Notes

by Virginia Scott
MUSEUM HAPPENINGS

Georgia and I traveled to Houston to the annual meeting of the American Association of Museums (AAM). The conference was huge and it took us a while to get oriented to the program, place, and people. Some of our classes were off-site and we had to get on buses and venture through Houston. Needless to say, it was an adventure. The town has changed drastically since I lived there, much to the better I must say, and visiting the various museums and sites was great. One tour we made was a walking tour of the Buffalo Bayou and how they are beautifying it. Thankfully, it was a morning class and still cool.

Another class I attended was on blogging and twittering. I learned that this column was basically a blog, so I will be sending the weekly column out on a blog soon as I register us. The blog will receive comments. Wish me luck in this new adventure for the museum.

I never know what I will find on my desk when I return from a trip, but this morning I was a little overwhelmed. There are packages, new (old) benches, messages, notes, etc. I think the museum was busy last week with lots of visitors. It will take a couple of weeks to catch up with everything,

so be patient.

A Reminder: The Akers Family exhibit is up! Please drop by and visit the wonderful art by Pam, Sharon, Larry, and Mom. You will not be disappointed. The reception is June 26th at 2 p.m.

Historical Musings

Today as I write this column, The President of the United States, Barack Obama, is laying a wreath on the grave of the unknown soldier at Arlington National Cemetery in Virginia. He will also deliver an address to all who attend. This type of ceremony will occur throughout the United States to honor all our fallen soldiers. Families will visit their family plots to remember their family loved ones and to teach their children about their ancestors.

This National Holiday was started in 1866 when the United States was recovering from the long and bloody Civil War. Henry Welles, a drugstore owner in Waterloo, NY suggested that all the shops close for one day to honor the soldiers who were killed. On the morning of May 5, the townspeople placed flowers, wreaths, and crosses on the graves of the Northern soldiers. At about the same time, Retired Major General Jonathan A. Logan planned a ceremony for all the soldiers who survived

the war. He led the veterans through town to the cemetery to decorate their comrades' graves with flags. It was not a happy celebration, but a memorial. The townspeople called it Decoration Day. The two ceremonies were joined in 1868 and commemorated the day on May 30. In 1882, the name was changed to Memorial Day.

The Southern states had similar ceremonies and memorial observances, but on different dates, some of the southern states i.e. Louisiana and Tennessee observe Confederate Memorial Day on June 3rd and North and South Carolina on May 10th.

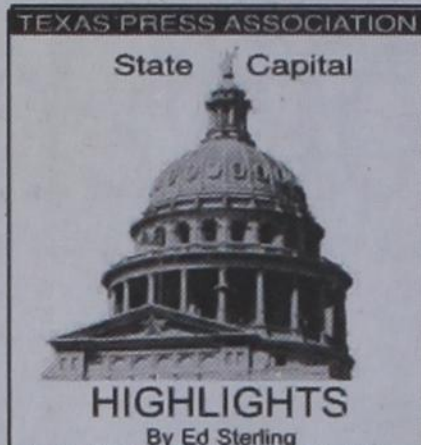
In 1971, along with other holidays, President Richard Nixon declared Memorial Day a federal holiday on the Last Monday in May.

Have a good week, and remember Peace starts with a smile.

Wolf Creek Heritage Museum

Museum Hours: Monday thru Friday 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Special hours upon request.

Museum Information: 13310 Hwy 305, PO Box 5, Lipscomb TX 79056; telephone: 806-852-2123; e m a i l : wolfcrk@amaonline.com; website: www.wolfcreekheritagemuseum.org



STATE CAPITAL HIGHLIGHTS

by Ed Sterling



State budget knocked down as session ends

AUSTIN — On Sunday night, May 29, a Senate filibuster inspired primarily by \$4 billion in proposed cuts in public school funding temporarily blocked passage of the 2012-2013 state budget.

The deadline to consider legislation hit at midnight. It would have taken unusual suspensions of House and Senate rules for the state budget to be debated on Monday, May 30, the final day of the 82nd regular session of the Texas Legislature.

So, at press deadline for this column, it appeared Gov. Rick Perry had no choice but to call a special session of the Texas Legislature for lawmakers to complete the budget and attend to other matters of his choosing. He could turn right around and issue the call.

Here's basically how the budget impasse played out.

On Saturday, May 28, after days, weeks and months of contentious meetings of the House Appropriations and Senate Finance committees, lawmakers passed the conference committee report for House Bill 1, the state budget for 2012-2013 on votes of 97 to 53 in the House and 20 to 11 in the Senate. HB 1's conference committee report, however, was a train without wheels: it could not go anywhere without passage of a "state fiscal matters" bill that instructs how and where the funding comes from.

That bill, SB 1811, also in the form of a conference committee report, commanded the spotlight on Sunday, May 29. While it requires 6 percent across-the-board school funding cuts in 2012 and more complex formulas for cuts to be made in 2013, the conference committee report prompted a string of questions and speeches decrying its patchwork of budget cuts augmented by fee and fine increases, accounting delays, speed-ups, deferrals and revenue projections.

On Sunday, the 139th day of the 140-day session, a number of lawmakers protested the fact that the 205-page conference committee report was only made available late that same morning, and therefore did not receive the normally afforded due process, meaning scrutiny by citizens and the press followed by open public debate by lawmakers. The complaints

were to no avail.

Rep. Scott Hochberg, D-Houston, in an impassioned turn at the microphone, blasted the unusual path the budget bill and its funding component had taken, but be that as it may, he said, school districts across Texas, are in for deep suffering as a result of funding cuts of more than \$4 billion. While enormous, that amount is perhaps not as graspable as amounts individual school districts would lose in the coming biennium. Those are expressed in both dollar amounts and as percentages that can be obtained from local school districts.

Hochberg also said that if the budget passes as currently written, school districts should brace for huge property tax increases necessitated because of the governor's and the Legislature's refusal to make use of the state's rainy day fund.

After hours of debate, the report was brought to a vote, and was approved on a vote of 84 to 63 in the House.

Now, about that filibuster

Passage by the House is half of the deal. To attain final passage, the Senate also had to adopt the conference committee report on SB 1811, and that is where the process came to a halt shortly after midnight.

Sen. Wendy Davis, D-

Fort Worth, in a 90-minute filibuster laid out arguments against the bill using complaints brought to her attention by constituents and read the "runs" - dollar amounts of funding district after district would lose if the Senate were to adopt the report.

When Davis had finished speaking, the Senate, by its own rules, could not bring up and consider any more legislation, because another calendar day - the final day of the session had arrived.

Former Gov. Clements dies

Dallas oilman William P. Clements Jr., governor of Texas from 1979 to 1983 and from 1987 to 1991, died at age 94 in a Dallas hospital on May 28. Clements was the first Republican to be elected governor of Texas since post-Civil War Reconstruction.

In 1947, Clements co-founded SEDCO, which became the world's largest offshore drilling company. SEDCO was sold to Schlumberger in the 1980s. Before running for governor, Clements served as deputy U.S. secretary of defense in the Nixon and Ford administrations.

His notable accomplishments as governor included the fostering of trade relations with Mexico and improvements in crime-fighting and public education.

Spearman High School

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Blayne Lloyd Schroeder - Garrett Rex Memorial (sponsored by the Junior Lynx Basketball Program) \$500, Lynx and Lynxette Booster Club \$500
Tori Diane Sheets - Harding University Merit Scholarship \$28,000, Lynx and Lynxette Booster Club
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- Angelo State University Carr Scholarship \$3,500 per year (renewable for 4 years), Garrett Rex Memorial (sponsored by the Junior Lynx Basketball Program) \$500, Lynx and Lynxette Booster Club \$500
Joselyn Terrazas - Garrett Rex Memorial (sponsored by the Junior Lynxettes)

\$500, Panhandle Plains Higher Education Authority (Spearman High School Financial Aid Night Scholarship) \$200

Nidia Terrazas - St. Mary's University Presidential Scholarship \$10,000 per year (renewable for 4 years), Wiebe Educational Scholarship \$6,000 per year (renewable for 4 years), West Texas A&M University Distinguished Scholar \$1,500 per year (renewable for 4 years)

Deedee Vaquera - Lynx and Lynxette Booster Club \$500, PTCI Communication and Broadband Solutions Foundation for Rural Education Development \$2,000, Spearman High School Edna Hartman Chapter of the National Honor Society \$300

Samantha Taylor Ward - Gladiola Flower Club Scholarship \$1,000, Hansford County Hospital District Radiology Scholarship \$3,000 per year (renewable for 2 years), Karl Nielsen and Sister Karen J. Nielsen Award (administered by First State Bank) \$164

Zachery T. Widener - Boss Automation \$500, Boss Industries \$500
Tristan Kade Wilborn - Lynx and Lynxette Booster Club \$500

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- *James Dean's Jim Stark and Elizabeth Taylor's Maggie, e.g.
- Without liveliness
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- Not hidden
- Angle between branch and offshoot, e.g.
- *He is symbol of rebellion
- Like untended garden

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- Terminate mission
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- Boozer
- Make work
- *"His Airness"
- Speak like Percicles
- Brazil, e.g.
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- *She's a media mogul
- Southern chicken stew
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- Extend subscription
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- Wade's opponent
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Happy Birthday!

June 6
Birthday - David Armes, Brandea Hicks, Mark TeBeest, Darren Goodheart, Ruth Brown, Joe Bynum, Jan Blackwell, Jane Flowers, June Potts, Margaret Reed, Charles Chritton, Mick Reimer, Melodie Shields, Arturo Huerta Jr., Slade Knowlton
Anniversary - M/M Bob Farr, Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Stedje

June 7
Birthday - Bobbie Evans, Vangie Johnson, Janet Miller, Charlie Stavlo, Monty Blackman, Donna Giddens, Georganne Hutchison, Jim Kunsleman, Lonnie Clemmons, Pete Mauk, Joe Salgado, Shane Harnish, Kimbre Townsen, Clint Townsen
Anniversary - Gene & Joy Byrd, M/M Ted Evans, M/M David Grotegut, Cecil & Mona Slater

June 8
Birthday - Lauren Bergin, Scott Hindergardt, Rex Freeman, Melanie Kenny, Brian Williams, Cheryl Whitefield, Efen Hermosillo, Lance Baker, Mendy Hetzler, Leah Mackie
Anniversary - Rod & Janice Fulce, M/M Matt Lair, M/M Ed Dear, M/M Tim Barkley, M/M Tim McCloy, M/M Archie Nelson, M/M Hugo Vella

June 9
Birthday - T.J. Been, Edith Kaufmann, Corky Kizzar, Danny Rodriguez, Christi Garcia, James Scroggs, Larry Scroggs, Mike Schnell, Joel Ray Warren, Susan Steart, John Hinson, Omie Moyer, Joan Marsh, James George, Manuel Morales, Chambrey Cox
Anniversary - M/M Ralph Mireles, M/M Jerry Williams, M/M Trevor Williams, M/M Robert Dahl

June 10
Birthday - Ed Castillo, Roy Deeds, Nick Holt, Jerry Reed, Dawn Jackson, Kevin Williams, Steve Holton, Norlan Winegarner, Marty Miesner
Anniversary - Jesse & Rebecca Browning, Rodney & Sharon Farber, Lolo & Estrella Rodriguez, Chris & Malissa Taylor, M/M Kerry Foster, M/M Todd Williams, M/M James Knoll, M/M Frank Pouty, M/M Roy Dean Coates

June 11
Birthday - Mickey Delano, Aimee Tunnel, Chad Johnson, Bob Burke, Charolette Sheets, Maureen Garner, Effie Sutton,

Mrs. Jessie Bratton, Toby Walker, Linda Heffley, Sam Pierson, Rhonda Bynum
Anniversary - Thane & Sue McCloy, M/M Charles Eaton, M/M Larry Murphy

June 12
Birthday - Curt Fitzgerald, Cara Hathaway, Bob Meek, Juan Avila, Marva Hohertz, Lonita Greene, Dana Bruce, Lorene Halgin, David Lewis Juanita Martinez, Heath Meler, Ruth Crawford, Alek Meyer, Steve Myatt, Amber Weller, Sunshine (Smith) Davis, Skip Lesly

Anniversary - Robert & Belinda Rogers, M/M Bob Burgoon, M/M Bert Sheppard, Darrell & Delphia Duke, Gary & Dara Faries

June 13
Birthday - Julie Dahl, Marie Finley, Anselmo Trejo, Wynell Hager, James Tindell, Mika Gurfory, Brenda Wall, Ross Walker, Sherri Correll, Christina Marie Ochoa, Austin Cook
Anniversary - M/M Verdon Edens, M/M Keith Goodman, Robert & Jamie Renteria

June 14
Birthday - Shelly Dunning, Jovita Ochoa, Keith Hutton, John Trindle, Ron Dunnaway, Eva McCammond, John Delarosa, Jerry Hart, Teresa Weldon, Salee Flowers, Sally Thomas, Jeremy Sutterfield, Caleb Odegaard
Anniversary - M/M Neal Williams, M/M Cap Benson, M/M Paul Reimer, M/M Joe Garcia

June 15
Birthday - Glen Harris, E.A. Williams, Beth Yanke, Everette Tracy, Tony Berrera, Gina Gillispie, Frank Salgado, Candice Pipkin, Jeff Fox, Devin Wells
Anniversary - M/M Bob Rylant

June 16
Birthday - Timber Lewis, Laci Osborne, Tisha Ralston, Davin Winger, Jo Lynn Griffin, Jodie Overton, Michael Wayne Owens, Chris Roach, Randy Brogdon, Odell Genn, Suzanne Gillispie, Ida Mendoza, Ivy Kincaid Bravo
Anniversary - Bobby & Dixie Smith

June 17
Birthday - Sara Jones, Jill Odom, Iris Wood, Valerie McLain, Manuel Nunez, Roy Lee McClellan, Janna Harris, Ann Rook, Lee Schubert, Rex Burgess, Dallas Burgess, Elvia Huerta

Our Sympathy

JOE BOOTH
 MEMPHIS - Joe Booth, 77, died Thursday, May 26, 2011, in Childress.

Graveside services were at 3 p.m. May 28, 2011 in Fairview Cemetery Chapel with the Rev. Daniel Downey officiating. Burial was in Fairview Cemetery by Hughes Funeral Home.

Joe was born April 8, 1934, in Sulphur Springs to the late Henry Booth and Dora Luceford Booth. He was a 1953 graduate of Lakeview High School.

He worked at the Lesley Gin and later worked as a night watchman for 20 years for the city of Memphis. He also was the dog catcher.

He married Faye Hubbard on June 22, 1995, in Memphis. Joe was a lifelong resident of Hall County and was a member of First Baptist Church.

He was preceded in death by a brother; and three sisters.

Survivors include his wife, Faye Booth; two stepchildren, Donald Ray Moore Jr. of Wausau, Wis., and William Moore of Tampa, Fla.; a sister, Mildred Lewis of Morse; and four stepgrandchildren.

The family suggest memorials be to Fairview Cemetery Association, P.O. Box 265, Memphis, TX 79245.

Leave online condolences at www.hughesfuneralhome.com.

RETIRED ARMY STAFF SGT. JAMES ALBERT MILLER

FAYETTEVILLE, N.C. - Retired Army Staff Sgt. James Albert Miller, 81, died Tuesday, May 24, 2011.

Graveside services with full military honors were at 10 a.m. May 27, 2011 in Sandhills State Veterans Cemetery. Arrangements were by Jernigan-Warren Funeral Home in Fayetteville.

James was a member of the U.S. Marine Corps and U.S. Army for 20 years. He was a wounded combat veteran of the Korean War.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Henry Miller and Ella Miller Shaw; two brothers, Leonard Miller and Wayne Miller; and three sisters, Wanda Lenz, Irene Perry and Mattie Powell.

Survivors include his wife, Yukiko "Jeannie" Miller; two daughters, Brenda Leggett and husband John of Fayetteville and Tammy Henderson and husband Bain of Leesburg, Ga.; a son, James Miller Jr. and wife Annette Green of Washington, D.C.; four sisters, Lilly Mae Love of Spearman, Texas, Virginia Lincoln of Elgin, Kan., Joy Campbell of Woodward, Okla., and Nancy Calhoun of Buffalo, Okla.; three brothers, Pete Miller of Higgins, Texas, Leslie Miller of Langley, Kan., and Aaron Miller of Shattuck, Okla.; three grandchildren, Shannon Clark, Sean Leggett and Akemi Henderson; two great-grandsons, Nicholas Clark and Liam Clark; and numerous nieces and nephews.

FELIX DE LA CRUZ

Felix De La Cruz, 28, of Vernon died on Monday, May 30, 2011.

Services will be at 2:00 p.m. on Friday June 3, 2011 at the Boxwell Brothers Ivy Chapel, 2800 Paramount Blvd with Don Weemes, Associate Pastor of Victory Church, officiating. Burial will be at Memorial Park Cemetery. Arrangements are by Boxwell Brothers Funeral Directors.

Felix was born on October 3, 1982 in Borger, Texas to Felipe and Sadie De La Cruz. He graduated from West Texas High School in Stinnett.

He was preceded in death by his father Felipe De La Cruz, Sr.

Survivors include his wife, Lesley Ann De La Cruz of Vernon; two daughters, Noelle Fernandez and Isabella De La Cruz both of Vernon; his mother, Sadie De La Cruz-Sanchez of Morse, TX; a brother, Felipe De La Cruz, Jr. of Amarillo and a sister, Stephanie De La Cruz of Mesquite, TX; his in-laws, Juan and Yvonne Fernandez of Stinnett.

The family suggests memorials be made to Noelle Fernandez and Isabella De La Cruz Scholarship Fund, c/o H & H Credit Union, Box 1187, Stinnett, TX 79083.

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<p>Fellowship Baptist 1102 S. Archer • 659-2783 Sunday School: 10 a.m. Worship: 11 a.m. Sun. Evening Worship: 6 p.m. Sun. Evening Spanish Worship: 7 p.m. Youth/Adult Service: 7:30 Wed. Pastor - Philip Hudson</p>	<p>First Christian Church 510 King • 733-2960 Sunday School: 10:00 a.m. Sunday School: 11 a.m. Youth: 7:30 Sunday Adult Bible Study: 7:30 Sun. Wed. Bible Study: 8:00 p.m. Pastor - Gary Gumfory</p>	<p>Morse Morse Baptist Church 733-2757 Pastor - Gary Stevens</p>	<p>Waka Church of Christ 300 Rogers Ave. 202-7126 Sunday School: 9:30 a.m. Sunday Worship: 10:30 a.m. & 6 p.m. Wednesday Bible Study: 7 p.m. Preacher - Ed Jenkins</p>

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Hansford County Library Summer Reading Program
The Hansford County Library will begin their Summer Reading Program has picked "Dig Up A Good Book" as their theme for this year. The Reading Program will be held each Tuesday from 10-11 a.m. All programs are for children in kindergarten-2nd grade. June 7 - "What's Hiding in the Dirt" Sam Abston will conduct a program on metal detecting; June 14 - "How Animals Burrow and Live Underground" presented by Michelle from Spearman Animal Control with Candy Boxwell as featured reader; June 21 - "Digging in the Dirt" Representatives of D&C Greenhouse will give the program and children will plant their own plants; June 28 - "Digging with Monster Machines" Willis Boyd will present the program and tell about digging in the dirt with a back hoe. The conclusion of the summer program will be highlighted with many gifts and incentives for children.

Lake Fryer Children's Fishing Tournament
The Wolf Creek Improvement Board will be hosting a Children's Fishing Tournament at Lake Fryer on Saturday, June 4, 2011. Registration will begin at 8 a.m. at the Pavilion located east of the Lobo Restaurant. There will be a \$1/contestant registration fee with all proceeds dedicated for improvements to the lake. A limited number of fishing poles and t-shirts will be provided. However, last year we had more contestants than fishing poles, so anyone who has a fishing pole is encouraged to bring theirs as backup! Saturday is a free fishing day for all ages and no permits will be needed. The tournament ends at 12 Noon with prizes awarded at 1 p.m. Prizes will be awarded in three age groups: 3-6, 7-10 and 11-14. Additional "All Ages" prizes will be awarded for Largest Fish, Smallest Fish, Ugliest Fish, First Turtle, Most Unusual Thing Found In The Park, and the Contestant Who Traveled The Furthest. For further information please contact Kay Allison at 806-228-5338 or Jan Hickey at 806-435-3249.

Tri-City Community Concert Association
Janie Kunselman is the representative for the Tri-City Community Concert Association of Borger and Liberal, and is selling memberships to attend concerts for the 2011-2012 season. Concerts are as follows: Borger - The Shangri-La Chinese Acrobats - September 22nd, 7:30 p.m.; Guy Penrod, February 13th, 7:30 p.m.; Shawn Belton-Miller - TBA. Season memberships are: Adults - \$40, Sr. Adult - \$35, Students - \$20, and Family - \$100. For information, call Janie Kunselman at 659-2631. Tickets purchased from Tri-City Concert Association admit members to concerts in Pampa and Plainview.

Liberal Community Concert Association
Janie Kunselman is the representative for the Liberal Community Concert Association of Liberal, KS. The Liberal Community Concert Association is selling memberships to attend five special concerts in the 2011-2012 season. Concerts are as follows: October 4th - Deborah Henson-Conant; November 8th - The Indigo Ensemble; January 30th - Mark Masri; February 16th - Guy Penrod; April 26th - Shangri-La Chinese Acrobats. Season memberships are: Adults - \$50, Students - \$25, and Family Pass - \$125. For information, call Janie Kunselman at 659-2631 or James Jackson at 620-624-5995.

Texas SNAP Benefits Assistance
Need help applying for SNAP benefits? We can help! High Plains Food Bank is providing application assistance for Texas SNAP benefits (Food Stamps) in your area. Telephone application assistance is available. If you need to apply for benefits, please call us today at 806374-8562 or 1-800-774-8564.

City of Spearman Seal Coating
The City of Spearman will be seal coating the following streets this week: 11th street from Bernice to Roland, 10th street from Barkley to Roland, 9th street from Barkley to Roland, 8th street from Barkley to Archer, Dressen from 7th to 11th, Townsend from 7th to 11th, Archer from 8th to 11th, and Evans from 8th to 11th. Citizens are asked to have the vehicles off the street while the seal coating is going on. In those work areas you will be able to park vehicles in yards only while work is going on. The project should be completed by Monday June 6, 2011.

Rushing Wind Emmaus Community
The Rushing Wind Emmaus Community will meet in the Trinity Faith Church, Liberal, Kansas, on Saturday, June 11 at 6 p.m. A potluck meal will be served followed by sponsors training and a praise and worship service. Friends and families are welcome.

Spearman Food Bank
If you would like to help the Spearman Food Bank, they need help unloading the truck at 11:30 each 1st Thursday of each month. Contact Cecil Biggers for more information.

Don't Text and Drive Decals
If you would like to purchase a lime green "AMT 1994-2009 Don't Text and Drive" window decal in memory of Ali Tyler, please contact Stephanie Tyler at 806-736-0019. All proceeds go to the Ali Tyler Memorial Scholarship Fund. Decals are also available at Hansford County Floral Company on Main Street in Spearman.

Project Graduation
The parents of the Spearman High School Senior Class of 2011 are hosting a "Project Graduation Party" following commencement exercises Friday, May 27th. This event is sponsored by the Texas Department of Transportation. This project offers the students the opportunity to have an alcohol and drug free celebration. To encourage the students to stay the entire night, door prizes are distributed throughout the evening. All students staying the entire night will be awarded a \$100 gift card. Prizes, gift certificates, and cash are needed for the evening's gifts. If you, the community, who have supported and encouraged these seniors for the past 13 years of school, would like to share in this final "Class of 2011" memory (making this project "special"), please contact Jessie Deakin (806-659-5580 or jessiedeakin@hotmail.com), Donations Chairman. Committee members are: Sharon Kern at 659-2017; Sherry Boyd at 659-3844; Tammy Benton at 659-3071. Contributions or donations can be mailed to: Project Graduation 2011, P.O. Box 926, Spearman, TX 79081. On behalf of the parents and family of the Senior Class, we would like to thank you for all of your support.

Help Available for Breast Cancer Survivors
Any woman who has had breast cancer surgery and cannot afford undergarments and prosthetics can get help from the American Cancer Society through a grant from Susan G. Komen for the Cure®. The Amarillo Area Breast Prosthesis and Lymphedema Accessory Program will provide financial help to women in need of breast forms or prostheses, mastectomy bras and accessories to help with lymphedema, which is swelling of the arm caused by a build-up of lymph fluid. For more information, call the American Cancer Society office in Amarillo at (806) 353-4307 or 1-877-227-2345.

Timeless Treasures Quilt Guild
The Timeless Treasures Quilt Guild of Guymon, Oklahoma meets four times a year -- the last Saturday in the months of January, April, July and October. Registration begins at 9:30 a.m. in the First Christian Church Disciple Center located at 9th & Quinn streets. The meeting starts at 10 a.m. Members bring a carry-in luncheon, which is served at noon. The afternoon program begins at 1 p.m. Programs include trunk shows, demonstrations, workshops, door prizes and much more.

Friendship Quilter Quilt Guild
The Friendship Quilter Quilt Guild of Perryton, Texas would like to invite you to their meetings. The Day Guild meets the 2nd Wednesdays of each month at 9 a.m. in the Community Worship Center, 2210 SW 15th, Perryton. The Night Guild meets the 2nd Tuesday of each month at 6 p.m. in the Community Worship Center, 2210 SW 15th, Perryton. Annual dues are \$15. (To receive only the newsletter \$7.50/yr.) Visitors are welcome. For more information, contact Cynthia Shattles at 806-435-2765 or Marilyn Robins at 806-624-2691.

NOTICE
The District Clerk's Office for Hansford County is no longer issuing applications for passports. The public can have an application issued from the District Clerk's Office at the Courthouse in Stinnett or the Post Office in Perryton.

Take Off Pounds Sensibly
Take Off Pounds Sensibly meets on Tuesday mornings at 8:30 a.m. at the First Christian Church in Gruver. For more information, contact Marilyn Been at 806-733-2087.



Engagement Announcement

Steve and Darla Myatt of Muleshoe, TX wish to announce the engagement of their daughter, Samantha Myatt of Sugarland, to Manuel Mondero of Poteau, OK. Manuel is the son of Carlos and Maria Vargas of Spring, TX. Samantha is the granddaughter of Earlene Myatt of Dimmitt, TX.

The couple plan a July 10, 2011 wedding at The Woodlands Resort and Conference Center in The Woodlands, TX. A reception will be held at the Resort at 8 p.m.

Samantha is a 2006 graduate of Clarendon High School. She received a BS in Chemical Engineering in 2010 from Texas Tech University. She is a Process Engineer for Chevron Phillips Chemical Company.

Manuel is a 2004 graduate of Westfield High School in Spring, TX. He received a BS in Chemical Engineering in 2010 from Texas Tech University. He is Plant Operations Engineer for AES.

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Words from Faith & Grace

by Cecil R. Biggers, Lutheran Lay Minister



We leaved the Season of Easter as we approach Ascension Sunday by studying Acts 1: 1-11, Psalm 93, Ephesians 1: 15-23, and Luke 2: 44-53.

The disciples are gathered in the upper room in Jerusalem, Jesus appears to them and explains the scriptures which relate to his ministry. He orders them to remain in Jerusalem until they have received the Holy Spirit. The disciples then ask, "Lord, is this the time when you will restore the Kingdom to Israel?" Jesus answers that this is not for them to know. He calls them to become his witnesses in Jerusalem, Judea, Samaria and then the world, after they receive the Holy Spirit. He then leads them out as far as Bethany and while he blesses them he is lifted up and a cloud takes Him out of their sight. Two men in white robes ask the disciples, "Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up toward heaven? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven." The disciples then return to Jerusalem, rejoicing. They have closure. Jesus' earthly mission is complete, and the mission of the disciples, the Church, has begun.

The Psalmist sings a song of God, The Lord, Is King! The Hebrew opening of this Psalm is difficult in the sense that some translate it as "The Lord is King" while others translate it as "The Lord has become King". The Hebrew phrase "Yahweh Malak" is the source of the question. However, this Psalm was liturgically used each year in the temple, and if sung "Yahweh Malak" in that sense, God is declared as Lord each year to the assembled worshipers. Whichever translation you prefer, "The Lord is King" is absolutely proper at the time of Creation and at the End of History.

Paul addresses the Ephesians to understand that in Christ we have obtained an inheritance, citizenship in God's Kingdom as the children of God. He uses a Greek legal term "arrabon" to explain the role of the Holy Spirit in baptism. "Arrabon" in Greek contract law was a portion of the purchase price given to "seal" the deal (today we might think of "escrow"). We are marked as belonging to Christ in our baptism and we receive the Holy Spirit, the assurance of our inheritance toward redemption as God's own people. So we are a part of Christ's body on earth, the Church, and we await his return, and we acknowledge Christ as Lord.

Luke gives us a view of the Ascension to end his 'history' of the ministry of Jesus The Christ; just as he uses the Ascension to open his 'history' of the Church. We see in the Ascension that Jesus is Lord and that the reality of the resurrection has established God's plan of salvation for His creation. The disciples return joyously to Jerusalem and spend much time in the temple blessing God. The disciples were called to be witnesses (note in Greek 'witness' and 'martyr' are the same word). Church tradition tells us that all the disciples, save John, were killed in the service of our Lord. Yet, these disciples were joyous in that service despite hardship, despite the fate of 'martyr'. Dear Christian, each of us is called as a disciple to be a witness. Let us serve joyously despite hardship, despite the possible fate of 'martyr'.

May the Holy Spirit enable you to see Jesus The Christ as "Lord".

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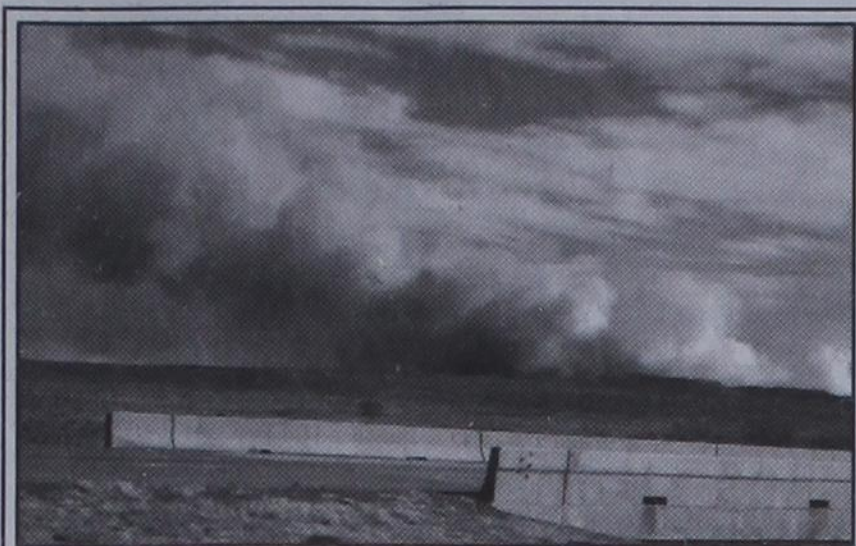
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Baby Registry

- Baby Girl of Nikki & Brady Hart - 5/21
- Baby Girl of Richelle & Lupe Mendoza - 6/11
- Baby Boy of Courtney Baca
- Phynlee (Girl) & Payne (Boy) - Twins of Kristie & Reagan Renner
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Ten Simple Steps to Protect your Home from Wildland Fire

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1. LPG tanks should be far enough away from buildings for valves to be shut off in case of fire. Keep area around the tank clear of flammable vegetation.
2. Store gasoline in an approved safety can away from occupied buildings.
3. All combustibles such as firewood, wooden picnic tables, boats and stacked lumber should be kept away from structures.
4. Clear roof surfaces and gutters regularly to avoid build-up of flammable materials such as leaves and other debris.
5. Remove branches from trees to a height of 15 feet or more.
6. In rural areas, clear a fuel break of at least three times the fuel length around all structures.
7. Have fire tools handy such as: ladder long enough to reach your roof, shovel, rake and a bucket or two for water.
8. Place connected garden hoses at all sides of your home for emergency use.
9. Assure that you and your family know all emergency exits from your home.
10. Assure that you and your family know all emergency exits from your neighborhood.

Ready, Set Go!

READY. Prepare for the possibility of a wildland fire before the threat occurs. Take preventive actions to make your home safer from the threat of wildfire by using Firewise and similar principles (firewise.org).

- Remove combustible materials from around your home. Keep grass mowed short.

SET. Elevate your family's awareness when fire weather occurs or when wildland fire activity increases. Form a family disaster plan.

- Agree on an evacuation plan that includes what to do if you get separated and where you'll go in case of evacuation.

- Pack critical medicines, important documents, family heirlooms to be ready to leave at a moment's notice.

GO. This is the simplest step: Execute your disaster plan by leaving early, well before the fire arrives.

- If instructed to evacuate, do so! Your "stuff" isn't more important than your LIFE.

For more information go to: <http://www.ready.gov/america/beinformed/fires.html>

Local Student Selected for National Telecommunications Scholarship

Dedee Vaquera, a senior at Spearman High School was selected to receive a \$2,000 academic scholarship by the Fund for Rural Education and Development (FRED). Sponsored by PTCI, the given award is based on merit and demonstrated commitment to rural life.

FRED selected 52 students from rural areas throughout the United States, and received more than 140 exceptional applications sponsored by rural independent telephone companies and cooperatives. FRED awarded \$77,000 to rural high school students from across America this year.

FRED, a national charitable foundation located in Washington, DC, was founded in 1989 by the Organization for the Promotion and Advancement of Small Telecommunications Companies (OPASTCO). The FRED Scholarship Program is made possible through the generosity of more than 500 small, independent telephone companies operating in rural areas across the United States and Canada. PTCI is both a member of OPASTCO and supporter of FRED.

Ron Strecker, CEO of PTCI wrote a letter of recommendation on behalf of Dedee so that her application could be accepted and reviewed.

FRED and its advocates strive to promote education and development in rural areas. FRED also works to publicize the fact that more than 500 small, independent telephone companies in the U.S. and Canada are providing state-of-the-art telecommunications technologies and service to their customers. These small telephone companies, including PTCI are a valuable asset to their rural commu-

nities. PTCI and the FRED Foundation are helping to create educational opportunities for rural America's greatest resource, their younger generations.

"Miss Vaquera, was selected among an outstanding group of young people to represent 'the best of the best,'" stated FRED Foundation Director, Melissa Korzuch. "The primary interest of the foundation is to assist students with high potential for success and a strong desire to return to a rural community upon graduation. We were overwhelmed by the remarkable credentials of the applicants. Each of this year's FRED Scholars is very intelligent and exceedingly active in their community. We hope every FRED Scholar will someday return to their hometowns to contribute to the community that clearly gave them an admirable, productive start in life."

PTCI (Panhandle Telephone Cooperative, Inc.) along with its wholly owned subsidiary company, Panhandle Telecommunications Systems, Inc., provides an array of communication services to customers in the Oklahoma Panhandle area. Services include state of the art Residential and Business Telephone services with many calling features, plus long distance service; High Speed Internet service with help desk; Cellular telephone service with nationwide plans, free mobile to mobile and free nights and weekends; Digital Cable TV service with 140+ channels, local networks, high definition including local networks, DVR, and pause live features. PTCI was established in 1954 and PTCI in 1983. Both are headquartered in Guyton, Oklahoma.



Deblen Francis, Customer Service Manager of the Spearman and Perryton offices presents the FRED Scholarship to Dedee Vaquera of Spearman.

Morse Resident Graduates from OBU

Morse, TX resident Marcus Andrew Wilson will receive a bachelor's degree in social studies education, secondary during Oklahoma Baptist University's 2011 Spring Commencement on Friday, May 13, at 3 p.m. in the university's Raley Chapel.

He will graduate with the scholastic predicate cum laude for maintaining at least a 3.40 grade point average.

Governor Mary Fallin will present the Commencement address. Fallin is an OBU alumna, having attended classes on Bison Hill for two years. She earned a bachelor's degree from Oklahoma State University. She became the 27th governor of Oklahoma on Jan. 10, 2011.


In addition to the address from Governor Fallin, the program includes greetings by officials from the Baptist General Convention of Oklahoma and induction of the graduates into the OBU Alumni Association. OBU President David W. Whitlock will present a charge to the graduates.

Located in Shawnee, Okla., OBU offers 10 bachelor's degrees with 84 fields of study. The Christian liberal arts university has an overall enrollment of 1,777, with students from 38 states and 19 other countries. OBU has been rated as one of the top 10 comprehensive colleges in the West by U.S. News and World Report for 19 consecutive years and has been Oklahoma's highest rated comprehensive college in the U.S. News rankings for 17 consecutive years. For 2011, Forbes.com ranked OBU as the top university in Oklahoma.



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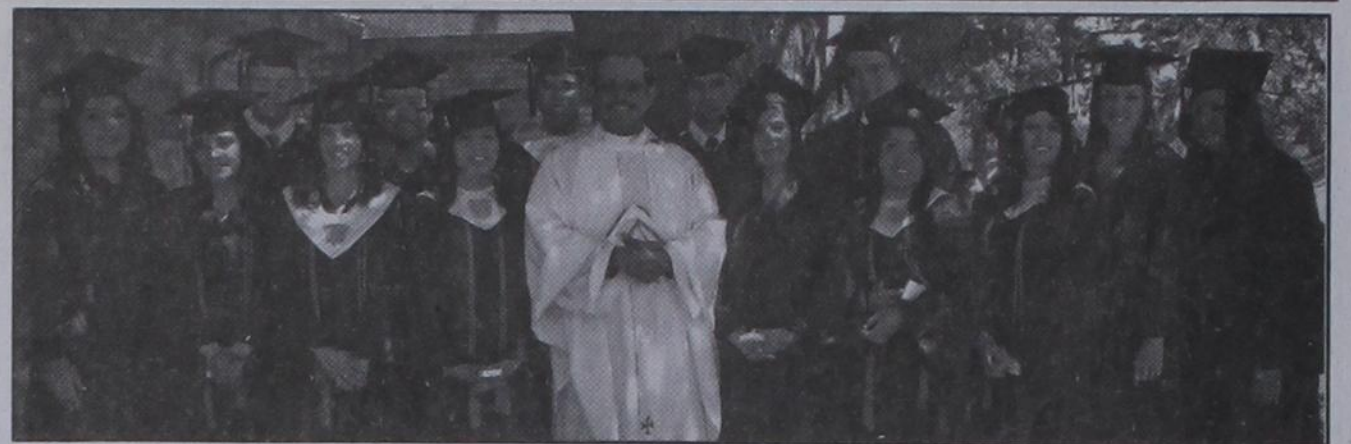
2011 National Honor Society Induction

Twelve sleepy-eyed students were kidnapped this past Thursday morning by members of the Gruver High School National Honor Society. The students were fed breakfast in the High School Library and welcomed into the local NHS Chapter.

The twelve 2011 inductees are: (Back, L-R) Korbin Irwin, Jacob Lieb, Cale Curry; (Third Row, L-R) Mariana Mendoza, Karen Tarango, Halli Mans; (Second Row, L-R) Ashley Williams, Callie Stedje, Nikki Beasley; (Front, L-R) Audrey Lieb, Alex Logsdon, and Maggie Key.

Faculty members attending the breakfast were: Troy Seagler, Principal, Kathy Gillispie, NHS Adviser, Kimberly Irwin, Sarah Clark, Kristi Holt, and Darlene Curry, Counselor.

We look forward to an exciting year. Thank you, parents, for letting us invade your homes at such an early hour!



Gruver Cristo Redentor Seniors: (Back, L-R) John Bergin, Rito Mendoza, Jesus Lopez, Rojelio Anaya, Paco Lopez; (Front, L-R) Samantha Sanchez, Maria Hernandez, Mariela Barrera, Mariel Mundo, Janet Ayala, Juliana Trejo, Gaby Barrera, Angelica Valverde, Alejandra Cuellar



Spearman Sacred Heart Seniors: (Back, L-R) Martin Vela, Jesus Anaya, Jose Mendoza; (Middle, L-R) Francisco Camacho, Seth Salgado, Michael Avila; (Front, L-R) Allysa Comp, Nidia Terrazas, Fernanda Aguilar, Jessica Bueno



Eleven local students received Associate Degrees or Certificates from Frank Phillips College during graduation ceremonies held on the Borger Campus on May 6th. Each of these graduates has attended classes both at Borger's main campus and at the Allen Campus in Perryton. Nine graduates are from Perryton; Liliana Castanon (Associate of Arts - Business), Maria Cenicerros (Associate of Science - Accounting), Sonia Gutierrez (Associate of Arts - General Studies), Neely Hale (Associate of Science - General Studies), Tiffany Mitchell-Olvera (Associate of Science - General Studies), Jennifer Murillo (Associates of Science - General Studies), Kelly Stadelman (Associates of Science - General Studies), Michelle Turner (Licensed Vocational Nurse Certificate), and Madeleim Zavala (Licensed Vocational Nurse Certificate). Two graduates are from Spearman; Patricia Renteria (Licensed Vocational Nurse Certificate), and Jeanette Vasquez (Licensed Vocational Nurse Certificate). Pictured are (L-R) Michelle Turner, Sonia Gutierrez, Jennifer Murillo, Neely Hale, Liliana Castanon, Maria Cenicerros, Patricia Renteria, Madeleim Zavala, and Jeanette Vasquez.



Spearman Sacred Heart Seniors: (Back, L-R) Jose Mendoza, Sharon Dominguez, Joel Mendoza, Adrian Hernandez, Alberto Camacho; (Front, L-R) Fernanda Aguilar, Laura Hernandez, Nidia Terrazas, Elizabeth Carmona, Alvaro Molina

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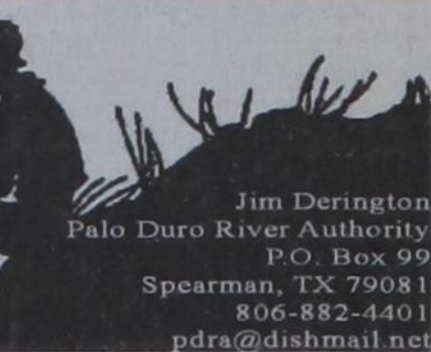
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Out at the Lake



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Krystal's racoon picture May 2011



Fawn at Lake Palo Duro

Lake Level--May 31, 2011--40.44 feet (-0.47)

This is the first spring Jim has spotted a fawn before June. He saw it and was able to get a picture on May 27.

The number of RVs at the Park during the Memorial Day weekend didn't break the old record, but they came close. Most of the vis-

itors came from Oklahoma and Texas Panhandle towns. Four RVs were still there today behind the dam, and then a new one came this afternoon. They had a scare, when Jim heard there was a fire at the golf course and had to notify everyone to be prepared to evacuate. This was one of the few fire stories with a happy ending. It was contained in a bar

ditch.

I notified Kenneth Seyfert about the Varied Thrush that Jim had photographed on May 10 by the office. He wrote back to say it was the third recorded sighting of a Varied Thrush in the Texas Panhandle. Since Kenneth's book "Birds of the Texas Panhandle" was published in 2001, there had been a second one photographed in a farmlot south of Texhoma, Sherman County, 21 November, 2004. He asked Jim to send a photograph with exact date of sighting and the location to Mark Lockwood, editor of North American Birds and the secretary of the Texas Bird Records Committee. He will publish the photo in that Journal and forward the photo to Texas A & M to be archived in the Texas Photo-Record File.

Louis Schnell has been adding raccoons to the animal population at the Lake. He traps them on Horse Creek on his place west of Spearman. They had become unwelcome visitors in Spearman.

Part of the Courson Archaeological Field School will be held on the Palo Duro Creek on June 6, 7, and 8. They will use metal detectors to try to locate the sites of the first store on the creek and the dugout and adobe home of Charley Newell. His home and the Zulu Stockade were not far apart. As far as I know, no one knows just where it was located. We will see if they can find it.

Spearman High School

The Spearman Scholarship Foundation awarded scholarships during graduation ceremonies on Friday, May 27, 2011.

The following seniors were awarded scholarships: Juan Uriel Aguiera, Luis Almanza, Shi-Ann Bates, Cody Benton, Nikki Boyd, William Boyer, Auto Bozarth IV, Jessica Bueno, Edgar Castillo, Allysa Comp, Stevie Couch, Ramon Garcia, Trent Goodheart, Laura Hernandez, Mathew Jarvis, Joel Kern, Katelyn Kizziar, Amber Martinez, Cameron Meddock, Jose Mendoza, Alvaro Molina, Roy Moreno, Jessica Pinon, Kaitlyn Poole, Yesenia Romero, Natalie Saldivar, Seth Salgado, Blayne Schroeder, Tori Sheets, Cheyenne Sparks, Sawyer Sutterfield, Nidia Terrazas, Joselyn Terrazas, Deedee Vaquedra, Samantha Ward, Tristan Wilborn

The following continuing scholarships were awarded: Jordan Ashmore, Preslee Baker, Kim Bergan, Amy Boyd, Brittney Bradley, Ashley Close, Ashton Comp, Jessica Diaz, Abbey Eudy, Cara Gwin, Dane Harbour, Karina Hernandez, Zack Hughes, Christy Lang, Kayla Lively, Whitney Maestas, Wilma Maestas, Zack Nollner, Chance Pack, Jennifer Perez, Kyla Reed, Kelcee Rex, Andi Linn Scarborough, Tyler Schnell, Tara

Shields, Devin Sibley, Dylan Sumner, Chasity Thomas, Brett Winegarner

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Generous Souls Gather Soles for Those in Need



SOS volunteers who helped gather and box up shoes to ship to Soles4Souls. (L-R) Cody Rodgers, Jessica Molina, Fermin Dominguez, and Ken Dominguez. (Not pictured: Tori Bennett)

The Spearman Junior High S.O.S. (Spirit of Service) organization recently gathered 496 pairs of new and gently used shoes to send to the Soles4Souls association, a charity that delivers shoes to people who are in need, regardless of race, religion, class, or any other criteria.

SJH students were urged to donate their extra shoes

along with \$2 (to help pay for shipping costs) to this worthwhile charity. In exchange for the shoes and money, participants were allowed to go barefooted (or sock-footed) for the entire school day. If you are interested in more information about Soles4Souls, check out their website at www.soles4souls.org.

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Gibson Competes at State

by Coach Mica Been

Shelley Gibson is an outstanding student athlete. Sometimes one is blessed with the opportunity to work with a young lady who is talented athletically and who will also absolutely "out work," "out gut," & "out tough" every-one she possibly can. That description sums up Shelley - she is the toughest kid I know and has a heart so large - I sometimes think it might burst.

Shelley travelled to Austin to compete in the State Track & Field Meet with 2 goals in mind - Run her personal best times in both the 3200 & 1600 meter runs and come home with a medal.

Shelley entered the 3200 meter run on Friday, with the 5th fastest qualifying time and a school record. Anyone who knows Shelley knows - she had a time in mind that she needed to run in order to get on that medal stand and a strategy

for her race. Shelley executed her strategy beautifully and ran her personal best time of 11:44.06 - clipping her previous record of 11:55 by 11 seconds - and earned a bronze medal.

Shelley approached the 1600 meter run on Saturday, with the 4th best qual-one she possibly can. She ran an incredible race - posting her personal best and setting another record of 5:22.55 during a race which produced a new State record of 5:04 by the gold medalist. Shelley's time secured a second trip to the platform and another bronze medal.

Shelley was named to the TGCA All-State Track Team.

Shelley represented her community, her school, and her team with great pride and honor. She produced her best when it counted the most - What more could be asked from an athlete?



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Perryton High School

Joel Kern
Spearman High School