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WEEKEND WEATHER FORECAST

THURSDAY NIGHT - Mostly cloudy with a 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Lows in the upper 50s. South winds 10 to 15 mph.

FRIDAY - Partly cloudy. A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms in the morning. Highs in the upper 80s. Southeast winds 10 to 20 mph.

FRIDAY NIGHT - Partly cloudy. Lows around 60. Southeast winds 15 to 20 mph.

SATURDAY - Partly cloudy. Breezy. Highs around 90.

SATURDAY NIGHT - Partly cloudy. Breezy. Lows around 60.

SUNDAY - Partly cloudy. Highs in the lower 80s.

SUNDAY NIGHT - Partly cloudy. Lows in the lower 50s.

MEMORIAL DAY - Partly cloudy. Highs in the mid 80s.

MONDAY NIGHT - Partly cloudy. Lows in the mid 50s.

Swimming Pools To Open

The City of Spearman has announced that the Spearman Swimming Pool's 2004 Season will begin on Sunday, May 30th. Hours will be Monday-Sunday from 12:30-5 p.m.

The cost for children up to 12 years old will be \$1.00, 13 years and older will be \$1.50.

A season pass for children up to 12 years of age is \$45.00, and a season pass for children 13 years of age and older is \$60.00. Passes are pro-rated 25¢ less each day for 12 and under, and 50¢ less each day for 13 and older, and are available through June 20th.

The swimming pool is available for rent for \$50.00, with a two hour minimum, and includes two lifeguards.

Family night will be held again on Thursday nights from 7:30-10 p.m., at no charge.

Ladies aerobics will be held on Monday, Tuesday and Thursday from 6:30-7:30 p.m. and will begin on June 7th. The cost is \$1 per session.

The pool manager is Jay Lamb and the assistant manager is Rhonda Baker. Lifeguards will be Sammi Cazares, Jocelyn Whitefield, Saylee Flowers, Keilee Goodheart, Abby Winegarner, Jarick Howard and Sonny Parker. Part-time lifeguards are Jentry Edwards and Mallory Paul.

The summer season at the Gruver City Pool will begin Tuesday, June 1.

There will be no changes in the pool hours or prices. The cost of admission is \$1.50 for adults and 75¢ for children.

The pool will be open to the general public from 2-6 p.m. Monday-Friday and from 2-5 p.m. on Sunday.

The pool will be open for Ladies Hour from 12-2 p.m., Monday through Friday and from 6-7 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Season passes will be \$30 per person. The pool manager should be contacted for booking parties after regular swim hours.

Lifeguards will be Sarah Mireles, Madeline Reed, Blythe Finley, Colby Red and Jenny Hart.

Hansford County Graduates



Ashlee Flowers
SHS Salutatorian

Spearman High School

Commencement exercises for Spearman High School will be held Friday, May 28, 2004 at 7:00 p.m. in the Spearman High School Auditorium.

Russell Layne Sheets, valedictorian, and Ashlee Lauran Flowers, salutatorian, will head a class of 39 students.

Other honor graduates include Samantha Sue Cazares*, Christopher L. Cudd, Jentry Elise Edwards, Diana Flores*, Keilee Goodheart, Michel Keith Huffaker*, Phillip Michael Lozano*, Garrett Ray Martin*, Homero Martinez Jr.*, Claudia Vaquera* and Jocelyn Diane Whitefield*.

Other graduating seniors include Amanda Gail Apodaca, Matthew Bain, Juan Carlos Carmona, Emily Ann Delagarza, Kenneth Wade Evans, Ricky Garcia*, Tanner William Hand*, Marshall C. Hearon, Selina S. Hernandez, Mandy Joe Hunter*, Emily Amanda Longoria, Jonathan Mendoza*, Carlos Moreno, Zachary A. Murray*, Miguel Javier Orteza, Bertha Maribel Ortiz, Deida J. Ortiz, Fernando A. Ortiz, Dave Pope, K'Lee J. Ratzlaff, Cristina Salgado*, Dana Jean Sharp, Laurel Anne Smith, Holly Elizabeth Tercero, Marcus Ryan Vasquez and Brittany Maria Vela. (* indicates candidates for Distinguished Achievement Program)

The processional and recessional will be played by Mrs. Janie Kunselman with Claudia Vaquera giving the invocation.

The class of 2004 will have a special presentation before the introduction of guests by Superintendent Rodney Sumner.

Ashlee Flowers will give the salutatory address and Russell Sheets will deliver the valedictory address.

High School Principal Bill Belger will recognize both the honor students of the class and the scholarship recipients with Mr. Richey Thompson presenting the Spearman Foundation Scholarships.

The presentation of diploma will be by Mr. Will Jarvis, president of the Spearman School Board.

Following the Charge to the Class of 2004 by Russell Sheets, Jeff Brock will accept the charge on behalf of his classmates, the class of 2005.

After the school song, Zack Murray will give the benediction.

Junior escorts for graduation will be Ashley Hernandez, Linzi McCubbin, Dana McLaughlin, Miranda Paul, Eric Flores, Wayne Gibson, Gerardo Ruiz and Cleve Vanderburg.



Russell Sheets
SHS Valedictorian

Gruver High School

Gruver High School Commencement Exercises for the Class of 2004 will be held Friday, May 28, 2004, at 8:00 p.m. in the school auditorium.

Cassie Sue Myatt, valedictorian, Jenny Beth Hart, salutatorian, will lead a class of 30 students.

Other honor graduates include Kristie Ann Balderrama*, Kalee Shay Crawford*, Dimna Cruz*, Meagan Lynn Knight*, Diana Judith Lopez*, Garrett Waide Miner, David Celestino Puebla*, Wesley Hutchings Reed, Cecilia Rosales, T. Jay Sherrill and Nicholas Lynn Slough.

Other graduating seniors include Rachel Arreola, Ruth Arreola, Carlos H. Borunda,

Cynthia Briones, Rodney Christopher Clawson, Raul Garcia, Rufino Gonzales, Robert Hernandez, Christopher Ryan Hillenbrand, Sarah Ann Hiser, Manny Lopez, Salvador Luciano, Luis Uriel Ramirez*, Colby James Red, Jose Luis Rodriguez, Adam Wayne Stinar and Lordes Vega*. (* indicates candidates for Distinguished Achievement Program)

The processional will be presented by pianist Kathy Gillispie with Ryan Winger and Sergio Cruz presenting the colors.

After the National Anthem, Meagan Knight will give the invocation followed by the salutatory address by Jenny Hart.

Kalee Crawford will give the class history, followed by the



Cassie Myatt
GHS Valedictorian

valedictory address by Cassie Myatt.

After the awarding of scholarships, the seniors will be presented by high school principal Mike King as they are awarded their diploma by superintendent David Teal and school board president Terry Sherrill.

Following the school song, David Puebla will give the benediction.

Serving as honor guards will be junior students Brittanee Osbourne and Brock Irwin with Laina Grotgut, Cody Mac Been, Patricia Gaspar and Oscar Medina serving as ushers.

A reception honoring the seniors will be held in the school cafeteria following graduation.



Jenny Hart
GHS Salutatorian



Spearman High School Class of 2004

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Gruver High School Class of 2004

Photo submitted

"Click It or Ticket"

Drivers beware! Not using your seat belt could land you a hefty fine.

The Texas Department of Transportation has announced the return of the "Click It Or Ticket" campaign.

This year's push is to get drivers of pickups to buckle up. According to TX-DOT, pickup drivers and their passengers are

more likely to not use a safety belt. Pickups are twice as likely to roll as cars, and using a seat belt increases the chances of surviving a roll over crash by 70%. Officers will be patrolling highways all across the state, cracking down on those who don't play it safe.

"Texas law is very simple," says Lamar Beckworth, assis-

tant chief of traffic law enforcement. "It requires that all drivers and passengers in the front seat, and children 16 years of age and younger riding in the front or back seat, they have to be buckled up."

"Click It Or Ticket" is from May 24 to June 6th. Fines for not buckling up range from \$25 to \$200 per person.

Cemetery Clean-Up Day
Saturday, May 29th
 The Hansford Cemetery Association will hold a clean-up day in preparation of Memorial Day. Anyone interested is asked to participate.

Live, Laugh & Love



by Catherine R. Smith
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Friends Cindy and Roy Ballard of Dalhart sent me an article about the year 1904. It is interesting to read about the difference 100 years can make.

As I read this article, I thought about the graduating class of 2004, and how fortunate they are to be living in the "information age".

In 1904, the average life expectancy in the US was 47. (Today it is almost 80.)

Only 14% of the homes in the US had a bathtub.

Only 8% of the homes had a telephone.

A three-minute call from Denver to New York City cost \$11.

There were only 8,000 cars in the US and only 144 miles of paved roads.

The maximum speed limit in most cities was 10 mph.

Alabama, Mississippi, Iowa, and Tennessee were each more heavily populated than California. With a mere 1.4 million residents, California was only the 21st most populous state in the Union.

The tallest structure in the world was the Eiffel Tower.

The average wage in the US was 22¢ per hour.

The average US worker made between \$200-\$400 per year.

A competent accountant could expect to earn \$2,000/year, a dentist \$2,500/year, a veterinarian between \$1,500-\$4,000/year, and a mechanical engineer about \$5,000/year.

More than 95% of all births in the US took place at home.

90% of all US physicians had no college education. Instead, they attended medical schools, many of which were condemned in the press and by the government as "substandard."

Sugar cost 4¢/pound. Eggs were 14¢/dozen. Coffee cost 15¢/pound.

Most women only washed their hair once a month and used borax or egg yolks for shampoo.

Canada passed a law prohibiting poor people from entering the country for any reason.

The five leading causes of death in the US were: Pneumonia and influenza; Tuberculosis; Diarrhea; Heart disease; and Stroke.

The American flag had 45 stars. (Arizona, Oklahoma, New Mexico, Hawaii and Alaska hadn't been admitted to the Union yet.)

The population of Las Vegas, Nevada was 30.

Crossword puzzles, canned beer, and iced tea hadn't been invented.

There were no Mother's Day or Father's Day.

One in ten US adults couldn't read or write.

Only 6% of all Americans had graduated from high school.

Coca Cola contained cocaine.

Marijuana, heroin and morphine were all available over the counter at corner drug stores. (According to one pharmacist, "Heroin clears the complexion, gives buoyancy to the mind, regulates the stomach and the bowels, and is, in fact, a perfect guardian of health.")

18% of households in the US had at least one full-time servant or domestic.

There were only about 230 reported murders in the entire US.

As I thought about the graduates of 2004, I realize how lucky we all are to live in today's day and age. I do worry about 2104, though. What kind of life can my grandchildren expect? What kind of position will we leave them in?

To live a better life today, and assist you on your path to fulfillment, you need to take these retrospective views on what people went through before you. Be thankful for everything you have, and realize there are going to be people after you as well.

Have respect for yourself, respect for your surroundings, respect for people's heritage, and respect for where you are going. Respect what your forefathers have done, and respect what you are doing for the future.

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

Numbers 6:24-26

Catherine :)

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 libelous statements.

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.

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Letter To The Editor

Dear Editor,

I remember sitting in a classroom as a boy with a POW/MIA bracelet on my wrist and asking the questions, "Why are people spitting on the soldiers when they return from Vietnam? Why is there so much protest, and why are they calling our soldiers 'baby killers'?" and various other things.

I thought about this constantly because it seemed to be more pertinent to the welfare of the world than the 7th grade curriculum. Most of my teachers would not even answer my questions, and would just tell me to get back to my schoolwork. I wondered where Lt Col Smith Swords II was; whether he was okay or dead in a POW camp, or being spit on when he returned home. In time, I met some Vietnam veterans and from talk and circumstance, you saw the enormous pain and burden that these soldiers had to bear. They didn't come home to a hero's welcome, instead they came home to be permanently scarred by protest, animosity, and anger. America had abandoned her soldiers in the worst way: not on the battlefield, but at home.

In 1991, President George Bush stated that America was going to war with Iraq. The Iraqi army and the regime of Sadaam Hussein had invaded Kuwait and threatened the entire Middle East. President Bush and General Schwartzkopf stated then that this would not be another Vietnam; that our mission was clear, and we could use whatever is necessary to succeed in our said mission. While the politicians debated, the Commander-in-Chief, working with the military, developed "Desert Storm."

America embraced her heroes, rightly so. And some much overdue thank you's were given to the Vietnam veterans, as well. It is said, "Time heals all wounds," but for some veterans, time had stood still for far too many years. We can only hope that America would learn, and it would never happen again.

September 11, 2001 - our world changed; our world "stopped turning." American and the free world was attacked by a new enemy - one with no conscience toward hatred and violence to the innocent. They attacked by hijacking planes and killing our moms and dads, sons and daughters, friends and neighbors, as they went to work in an office building in New York.

Osama Bin Laden was later said to laugh and say how great his god is and how pleasing this act of violence was. In the ashes of the twin towers, America rallied in prayer, in service, in devotion and duty. America had found true unity in a commander. President Bush was the man the nation and the world watched as the American people mourned the lost, prayed for our leaders, gave thanks to the many volunteers and vowed that ter-

rism would not beat us and that we could be stronger. America gained strength from a President brought to tears by despicable violence to the innocent, gained vision from a President seeking wisdom from power higher than us all, gained purpose as the President told the world that the true strength of America is her people and the character of her people. The President said, "America is at war - a new kind of war - a global war against evil, and justice will be brought to those evil doer's, wherever they are. We will bring justice."

This brings me to the heart of the letter; the cause for which I write. I have seen this war on terror take us to Afghanistan and destroy the terrorist stronghold and refuge of the Taliban. We took the only course of action that was left after UN diplomacy and resolutions failed to make Sadaam Hussein's regime comply with the sanctions of post Desert Storm.

While America's sons and daughters bring war to terrorism and those misguided thugs and assassins, most of the world's media slowly but surely started to try and erode the cause of justice. They started by debating why we invaded Iraq and freed the Iraqi people from the regime of Sadaam Hussein. Then they debated the weapons of mass destruction. Then they debated the intelligence community. Then the President declared the war for the Iraqi people's freedom was over, but he praised our troops, hailed them as America's best, met them on the flight deck of a carrier, visited the troops in various places, and most importantly, showed a Commander-in-Chief who cared more for the cause of justice, and the men and women who bear the brunt of that cause so far from home more than the opinion poles or what the press implies, accuses, or creates in their blind ambition to report what they want the people to see.

Thank you to CNN, ABC, CBS, MCNBC, ALJZZERA, and others; the editorials of Molly Ivins, William Seewald, and others for bringing 'your' opinions, 'your' views, 'your' hopes to the front line of the American People. You show us the footage, tell us how many have died, play the videos of Osama Bin Laden, describe how the Sunni triangle is alive, with RPG's, and roadside bombs, continually ask if there are enough troops, downplay the role and strength of the coalition troops, play the voice messages of Shia cleric Al Sadr and his call to arms for his militia to oppose the Americans and his pleas to attack the Americans because they are fighting Islam, and so many, more.

The latest and most disgusting is the prisoner abuse. America doesn't condone this behavior, and should not. The true power of the media's one-sided view has done more to erode the unity of the American

people and distort the cause of justice than anything that I could have imagined. That leads me back to my opening question that I asked so many years ago, "Why do they spit on the soldiers when they come home?"

Maybe they spit on the soldiers because their view of war was shaped by misguided and careless ulterior motives cleverly disguised as news. We are swayed by what is reported. Why try and sway our resolve: Isn't freedom from terror worth staying strong and united?

Finally, I just want to say "Thank you" to President Bush, his charming wife and First Lady, Laura, for being strong, determined, seeking the high road, and personifying the dignity and honor that comes with being the Commander-in-Chief of the greatest country on the planet.

Thank you for your humility as you seek the Lord's direction and wisdom and ask that we as a people pray for our country and our armed service personnel all over the world who defend the very freedom in which we, as a people, have always known and try and bring to a people who have never known anything but oppression. God is our strength and our refuge, and His strength is what shaped this country from our forefathers until today.

In that strength is where the character of America is born and what will carry our sons and daughters across the battle fields safely. It is said, "He who does not learn from the past is doomed to repeat it." America is a relatively young country in the age of our world, but I hoped that we would learn from our past. Hopefully we have advanced as a nation and society, but in this time, I pray and hope that we don't allow the influential but very partial media to influence us and divide us as a nation and erode the resolve of our appointed mission. That, to me, sums up the Vietnam experience of a young man growing up in Tulia, Texas. Our Heavenly Father's words in the gospels of Matthew and Luke say "a house divided against itself, cannot stand." Used so poignantly by President Lincoln in his inaugural address, this states the strength in unity of purpose. The essence of Martin Luther King's "I Have A Dream" speech spells out

what we can achieve through a shared vision and hope. It would be wonderful for my little boy to grow up in a world at peace; in a world "where men are judged by the content of the character and not the color of their skin;" a world where freedom takes root in the Middle East, in the cradle of civilization, and Iraq can become a stabilizing example of a people's right to govern themselves and dream their own dreams.

To the American service personnel all over the world, I say "Thank you," and hope and pray for your quick and safe return. We have many venues in America for expression. Freedom of Speech is a valuable right, but without wisdom, some speech isn't fit for freedom. For the soldier fighting for freedom on his appointed battlefield, not by choice but duty, the least we can do is stay strong and united in his defense. To the families of those soldiers who have paid the ultimate price for our freedom, don't we as a nation owe a moral responsibility to them to stay the course, stay united in purpose, and to see justice through? If we do not, we learned nothing from Vietnam.

In October of 1997, I had the privilege of going to Washington with many men from all over this nation with Promise Keepers. We prayed for our nation, our families, our churches, and our leaders. I believe that it is not by chance that President Bush is leading America at this time. I also got to visit some to the memorials in Washington. The Lincoln Memorial, The Washington Memorial, Arlington Cemetery, and the "The Wall," memorial to the Vietnam conflict.

On the Vietnam Wall was the name of Lt. Col Smith Swords II, a name that would forever change my life, though I never met him. To my right that fall night in 1997 was a man who knelt beside that wall and cried. He had left some friends in the jungles of Vietnam and that had forever changed his life. All I could do as I prayed a silent prayer for this grieving soldier was say "I'm sorry, and thank you for what you have done for me, my family, and this nation."

Respectfully to the Soldier, Billy Blankenship

High Plains Public Radio cordially invites you to Chautauqua on the High Plains. Wednesday, June 9, 2004 7:00 pm. An Evening in the Camp of Meriwether Lewis: The Opening of The West. Hosted by Mary Emery and Hunter Ingalls. Fryling Pan Ranch, Bushland, TX. Buffet by Chez L.A. Cost: \$50 per person/\$85 per couple. Thursday, June 10, 2004. 6:00 pm Reception Meet John Wesley Powell. 8:00 pm Panel Discussion Water Rights and Water Conservation: Preserving Water in the West. Hosted by Terese & Malouf Abraham. The Citadel Gardens, Canadian, TX. The Palace Theatre, Canadian, TX. Buffet by Ono Grill Station. Cost: \$40 per person, \$70 per couple (cost includes admission to panel discussion). Cost: \$10 per person, \$5 students. Friday, June 11, 2004 7:30 am Sunrise with John Wesley Powell: Exploring the American Southwest. Wildcat Bluff Nature Center. Campfire Breakfast by The Fryling Pan Chuckwagon. Cost: \$25 per person. Event Sponsors: MILLER Paper Company, Amarillo, TARA. Proceeds benefit production of The Thomas Jefferson Hour on 247TX.

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HANSFORD HAPPENINGS

Project Graduation

The parents of the Senior Class of 2004 will sponsor and host a "Project Graduation Party" following commencement exercises on Friday, May 28th. To encourage the graduates to stay the entire night, door prizes are awarded throughout the evening. In addition, graduates can earn paper monies through their participation in various games so that prizes can be purchased. The graduation party will culminate with the distribution of grand prizes. Prizes, gift certificates, and cash are needed for the evening's gifts. If you, the community, who supported and encouraged these seniors these past 13 years of school, would be willing to share in this final "Class of 2004" memory, making this project "special," please call Nikki Lozano at 659-2568 or 659-3964; or Charlotte Sheets at 659-2971. Thank you, in advance, for your support!

Memorial Day Wreaths

The Golden Spread Senior Citizens has a nice selection of Memorial Day Wreaths still available for purchase. For more information, contact Kathy Bryant at 659-3030, or stop by the Sr. Citizens Center at 502 South Brandt in Spearman.

Hansford Golf Club Hosts Tuesday Night Scrambles

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

Out-Of-School Examinee Registration

Individuals who are no longer enrolled in school and who have not previously met minimum expectations on all sections of the TAAS test, but have met all other graduation requirements, may retake the necessary sections. The TAAS test will be given on July 6 (writing), July 7 (math), and July 8 (reading). A student can register for the TAAS test online by accessing the web site at <http://k12testing.tx.ncpearson.com/ooos> or by completing a registration form. Registration forms may be picked up at the high school counselor's office between the hours of 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. Registration packets are due in Austin by 5 p.m. on June 4, 2004. Please contact Krista Baird at 659-2584 if you have any questions.

Community-Wide Singspiration Service

Anyone interested is invited to attend the Community-Wide Singspiration Service on Sunday, May 30th at 6 p.m. at the Union Church in Spearman. Testimonies of God's grace will be shared with worshipful songs presented by members of Spearman's churches. Everyone is invited to enjoy fellowship after the event with finger foods and drinks. A prayer time will begin at 5:30 p.m. If you are interested in participating, please contact pastor Bob Elder at the First Assembly of God Church in Spearman.

Old Timers & Reminiscing Reunion

An Old Timers and Reminiscing Reunion will be held during Heritage Days at the Zulu Building of the Stationmaster's House Museum, from 9-10 a.m. Saturday, June 12. Everyone, regardless of age, is welcome. Cookies and coffee will be served.

Local Talent Gives Blythe Finley A Leg Up In Australia

A local talent concert will be conducted on Friday, June 4th at 7:30 p.m. in the Gruver High School Auditorium to benefit Blythe Finley and her trip to Australia. Featured in the talent show will be Rod and Les Barkley and Glen Harris, Brenda Hopkins and Lisa Salmans, Connie and James Walker and Rodney Clawson (list subject to change). Tickets will be \$5 and may be purchased at the door. A Baked Potato Feed will be held at the Golden Age Center from 6-7:30 p.m. The cost is \$5 per person.

Spearman Summer School Offers Algebra

Spearman High School will offer summer school for Algebra I and Algebra II June 7th-July 1st. Classes will run from 8 a.m.-12 noon, Monday-Thursday. The instructors for the courses will be Sherry Johnson and Jay Lamb. Students may enroll in one course only. The cost of the course will be \$25, which will be refunded to the student upon completion of the course. Only students who have failed Algebra I or Algebra II for the year will be allowed to enroll. Enrollment for summer school will be Thursday, June 3rd from 9 a.m.-12 noon. If you have any questions, please contact the math instructors, or Mr. Bill Belger or Mrs. Krista Baird at 659-2584.

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.

Wheat Plot Tour

A Wheat Plot Tour will be conducted on Thursday, June 3, 2004 at the Oklahoma Panhandle Research and Extension Center in Goodwell, OK. Registration will begin at 9 a.m. Plots and studies to be covered during the tour will include: Wheat Breeding & New Releases by Dr. Brett Carver, Ph.D., OSU; Wheat Diseases & Vectors by Dr. Bob Hunger, Ph.D., OSU and Dr. Tom Royer, Ph.D., OSU; and Freeze Damage & Wheat Varieties by Mr. Rick Kochoener, OPRC. A lunch, catered by Kim's Ribs, will be provided at 11:45 a.m. For meal reservations, please call (580) 349-5441 before June 1, 2004.

Rep. Thornberry To Visit Panhandle Counties

U.S. Rep. Mac Thornberry (TX-13) will be in several Texas Panhandle counties this Friday to visit with local constituents and to hear their concerns about the challenges facing us as a nation. His schedule is as follows: 7:30 a.m. - Panhandle - War Memorial Building, 500 North Main; 9:00 a.m. - Pampa - The Coffee Shop, 220 North Cuyler Street; 10:30 a.m. - Miami - Roberts County Museum, Highway 60; Noon - Canadian - Canadian's Lions Club at the Canadian Fire Station, 2 Main Street; 2:30 p.m. - Shamrock - U-Drop Inn, 105 East 12th Street; and 4:00 p.m. - Wellington - Wellington Community Center, 802 10th Street.

Vacation Bible School

The Grace Presbyterian, Faith Lutheran, First United Methodist, Union Church and the First Christian Church will be hosting a joint Vacation Bible School June 7-10th from 6:30-8:30 p.m. at the First Christian Church in Spearman. Children age four through sixth grade are invited to attend and enjoy fun, games, food, singing and skits. The theme is *Under the Baobab Tree*.

Lake Fryer Children's Fishing Tournament

The Wolf Creek Advisory Board will be hosting a Children's Fishing Tournament at Lake Fryer on June 5, 2004. Registration will begin at 9 a.m. at the Lobo Restaurant, which is located in the park. The fishing tournament will end at 2 p.m. There will be a \$1/contestant registration fee. Prizes will be awarded at 3 p.m. in three age groups: Ages 1-5, Ages 6-10 and Ages 11-14. All proceeds are used for park improvements.



Meyer, Bransgrove Wed

Tamara Lynn Meyer and William Chandler Bransgrove were united in marriage on Saturday, May 8, 2004 at 3 p.m. in the Church of Christ in Borger with Stan Mitchell officiating.

Tamara is the daughter of Dene and Carolyn Meyer of Borger. William is the son of Eleanor Bransgrove of Perryton and the late Weldon Bransgrove.

The maid of honor was Lanetta Werhan of Borger. Denise Breshears of Stinnett served as bridesmaid.

The flower girl was Hadley Spivey of Gruver and the ring bearer was Weston Reams of Borger.

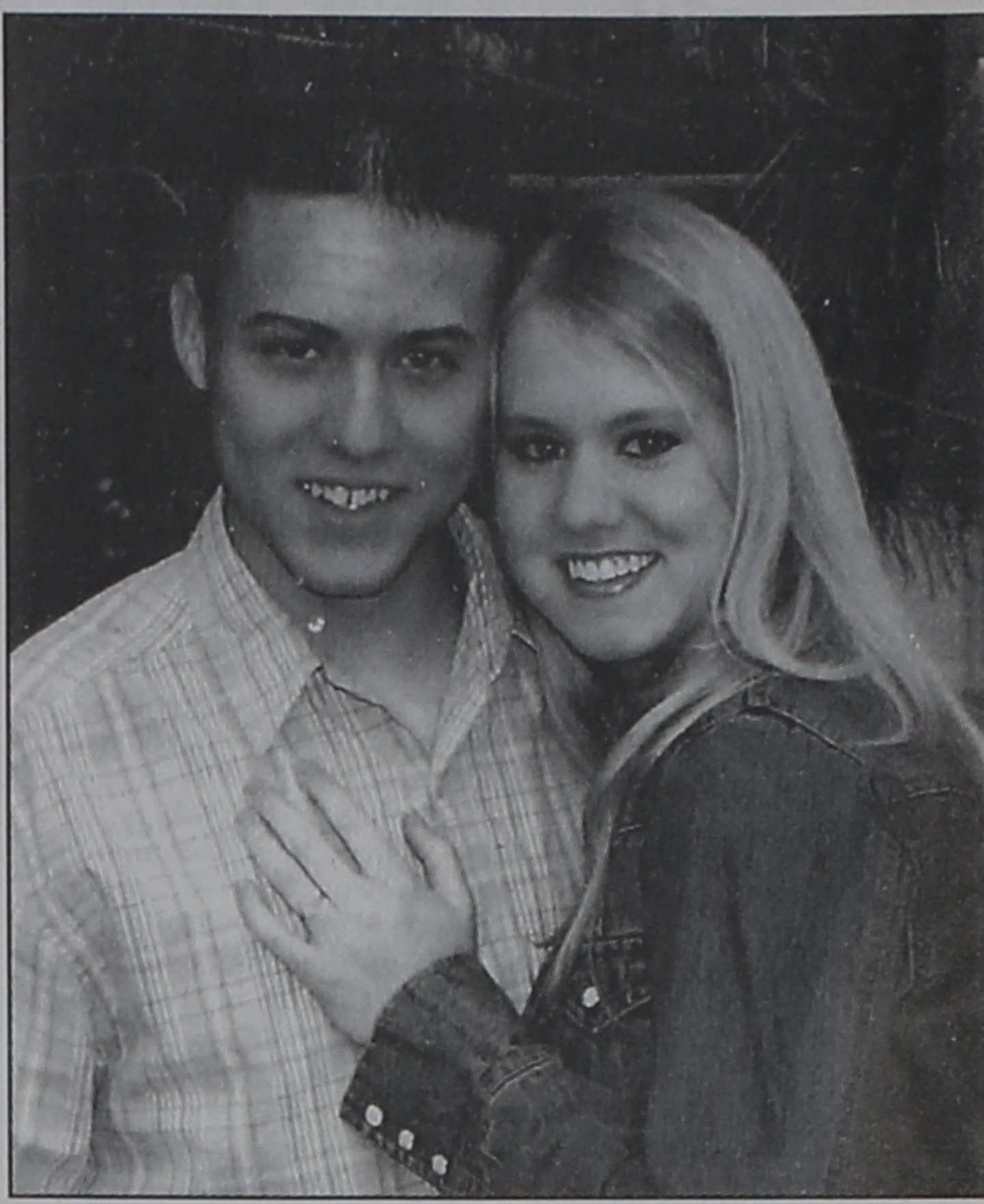
Best man was Richard Bransgrove, brother of the groom, of Coconut Grove, FL. Clyde Neff of Lubbock served as groomsman.

Ushers were Tye Meyer of Fritch, nephew of the bride, Alan Bransgrove of Littleton, CO, cousin of the groom, Austin Bransgrove of Littleton, CO, cousin of the groom and Ted Gum of Spearman. Trista Meyer of Fritch, niece of the bride, registered guests as they arrived.

A reception was held at the Church of Christ in Borger, hosted by Shauna Campbell, Susan Schriber, JoAnna Vaden and Leighann Meyer, sister-in-law of the bride.

Following a wedding trip to Eureka Springs, AR, the couple has made their home in Stinnett.

Tamara is employed at Frank Phillips College and William is employed at Hansford County Feeders.



Engagement Announcement

Marlos May and Rebecca May wish to announce the engagement of their daughter, Julie Anne, to Joshua Franklin Vincent.

Joshua is the son of David and Becky Vincent of Hartley, TX. The couple will be married on August 14, 2004 at the First Baptist Church in Gruver.

Julie is a 2003 graduate of Gruver High School. She is a sophomore at West Texas A&M University in Canyon.

Joshua is a 2003 graduate of Hartley High School. He is serving in the United States Air Force.

A reception will be held in the Activity Building at the First Baptist Church following the wedding ceremony.

The couple will make their home in Tucson, AZ.

*You are invited to a
Wedding Shower
honoring
Krystal (McDonald) & Clay Scribner
on Saturday, June 5, 2004
from 10:00 - 11:30 a.m.
in the First State Bank Community Room
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Thank You

We would like to say thank you to our dear family, friends and neighbors. David, Dana and I want to express our appreciation for your prayers, loving arms, flowers, food, calls, cards and memorials. They will never be forgotten.

May God bless each one of you,
The Family of Wayne West
Lila, David, Dana, Macy & Carson West

Thank You

Words could never express the concern and love shown to us from the people of Hansford County. The family of Dale Oltman would like to thank everyone for their acts of kindness. The prayers, calls, visits, flowers and food were greatly appreciated. Everything was wonderful. Each of the cards have special meaning and brought comfort to us.

Once again, thank you!

James, Tammy, Charles & Kali Oltman; Joey, Barb, David & Dana Sharp; Janet and Michael Torres and Josh Lackey

Thank You

The family of Dr. Earl E. Novak would like to express our sincere appreciation for the many acts of kindness expressed to us in our recent loss. The cards, flowers, food, calls, memorials, visits and especially the prayers have been such a comfort in our time of need.

May God richly bless each of you,
Bobbie Novak; Hunter, Bonnie, Ethan and Griffin Novak; Jamie, Cinda and Kate Haruch

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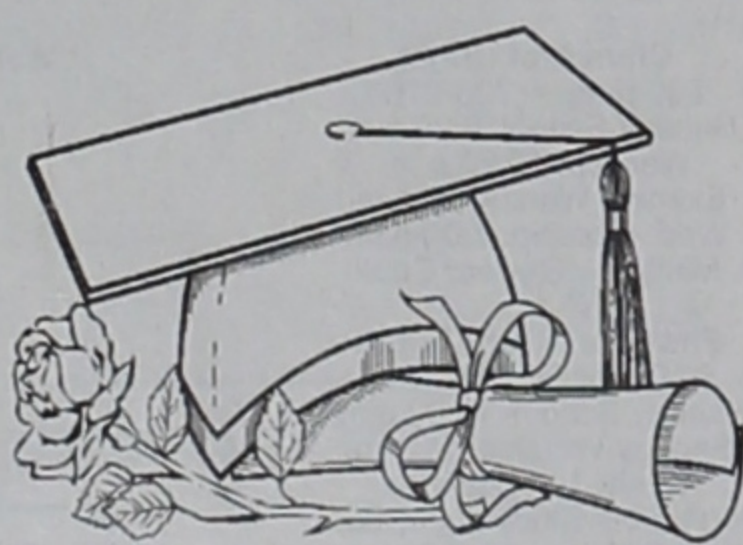
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The Gruver Grapevine

by Harletta Carthel

Community Grieves
Hearts were heavy in Gruver Monday, as memorial services were held for Colt Cluck, 17, a junior at Gruver High School, who died as the result of a vehicle accident early Sunday morning, May 23.
Colt was active in FFA where he was a candidate for the Lone Star Farmer degree, football and rodeo at GHS. Except for a brief period of time, Colt was a lifelong resident of eastern rural Sherman County.
He was a member of the 2005 senior class. His family has asked that memorials be given at Gruver State Bank to the 2005 class.

VBS Scheduled
The First Baptist Church of

Gruver will host a Vacation Bible School June 1-4. Rickshaw Rally will be the theme of the VBS.
FFA Students Compete in Area Contest
Gruver FFA students brought home several honors from the Area I Convention held at Tascosa High in Amarillo.
Timber Barkley placed fourth in the Senior Prepared Speaker contest with her entry "Implementation of Improved Irrigation Practices."
Victoria Vela took fifth place in the Junior Prepared Public Speaking contest with her speech "BSE Effects in America."
Jessica Montgomery and Jimmiee McCloy served on the

courtesy corp.
T Jay Sherrill, who has served as an Area I Vice President this past year, retired from his office.
Others in attendance were Garrett Miner, Charles Slough, and Travis McDowell.
Community Care Concerns
Frances Murrell suffered a cracked hip and was taken to Northwest Texas Hospital, and hopefully will be home by press time.
John Robinson has returned home and is improved following treatment in Amarillo.
Former resident Jerry Swink, now of padre island, is experiencing additional health problems.
Tifanee Crane has returned home following her hospitalization in Amarillo.

Among The Neighbors

Verna Brown is pleased to announce the birth of her great-grandson, Kash Rodney Maupin. Kash was born on May 17th in Tulsa, OK to Erick and Gina Maupin. He weighed 7 pounds, 9 ounces and was 19 inches long. He was welcomed home by his big sister, four-year-old Ericka. Proud grandparents are Rod and Chris Maupin of Broken Arrow, OK.
Rodney Collard, son of Dorcas Collard, was in town last week tending to business for Dorcas. He reports that she is continuing to improve with her physical therapy, but she still has some strength to gain before she will be able to return to her home in Michigan.

For her friends who wish to send her letters or cards of encouragement, her address is: Dorcas Collard, % Stratford Village, 2129 Rockwell Drive, Room #4, Midland, Michigan 48648. Her phone number is 989-832-3478.
Congratulations to Emily Hood! Emily won a trip to Washington, DC after giving a speech at North Plains Electric. She will be going in June.
Mr. and Mrs. Allen Varnon were surprised by a celebration in honor of their 30th wedding anniversary. The event was held at Grammy's in Spearman on Sunday, May 23rd where they were served a lasagna dinner followed by punch and cake that was prepared and decorated by their sons: Jason and Taylor Varnon and Laura Hadley of Amarillo; Eric Varnon and Leslie Bieshevel of Weatherford; and Richard Varnon of Plainview. Also attending were: Richard and Betty Gaines and Olive "Babe" Pendergraft of the Holt Community; Glenda Close of Spearman; Justin and Shawn Tucker of Amarillo; and Karen and Byron Carr of Ulysses, Kansas.

The couple will be out of town on their anniversary, May 31st, to watch their youngest son, Richard Varnon, compete in the NAIA National Outdoor Track & Field Championships in Louisville, Kentucky.
A shower was given in honor of the up-coming wedding of Eric Varnon and fiancé Leslie Bieshevel of Weatherford, Texas. The event was held at the First Christian Church Fellowship Hall on Saturday, May 22., and was hosted by friends of the Varnon family. The couple will be married in Ft. Worth, Texas on August 7. Eric is the son of Peggy and Allen Varnon of Spearman, and Leslie is the daughter of Leanne and David Bieshevel of Georgetown, Texas.

PTSI Fiber Optics to Deliver the Latest Telecom Services to Spearman

The people of Spearman have spoken and PTSI is responding. PTSI will begin construction in Spearman very soon on a communications network that will consist of fiber optic cable running all the way to the customer's home. This network design, known as fiber to the premise (FTTP), represents the best of the telecommunications industry has to offer. To the people of Spearman it will mean access to the ultimate in voice,

data and video services. "The Spearman operation will allow PTSI to serve more people with what we believe to be the standard in telecommunications service," said Ron Strecker, CEO of PTSI.
Construction should begin in Spearman in June or July, but fiber is already being buried to connect to the future network in Spearman. The project is scheduled for completion in early 2005. A local office and

local technician are planned, in order to provide personal service to the people of Spearman. As soon as operations begin, PTSI will offer local and long distance service, and a complete selection of the latest telephone features and services, including Caller ID and voice mail. PTSI will also provide local dial-up Internet access and high-speed Internet access with its JETNET ADSL service. In addition to voice and data services, PTSI will bring digital television to Spearman. PTSI's Digital Interactive Television (DITV) offers 147 of the most popular channels, including digital music, local network affiliates and all your favorite premium channels.

bill for your convenience. More information about the future plans for PTSI in Spearman will be available at a community meeting and hamburger feed scheduled for Thursday, June 3, at the O'Loughlin Center. The hamburger feed will begin at 5:30 p.m. with the meeting to follow.

Due to the increasing deterioration of my hearing, I request that you take your news articles to the Hansford County Reporter-Statesman office, 213 Main Street, Spearman, TX 79081; or you may call (806) 659-3434; fax (806) 659-3368; or e-mail to cathysmith@antden.com.
It is important to others to know what is happening in your life, so I encourage you to share your news, travels, and other events with your neighbors.

Thank You







Hansford Hospice would like to thank Deana Richards and Ann Pipkin for their contribution of the beautiful crosses in memory of their aunt, Willa Dean Gates. They donated ensemble of crosses for the beginning of a Memorial Wall.
Hansford Hospice would like to invite anyone interested to donate a cross in memory of their loved one. Persons interested should contact the Hospice Office at 802 Roland Street in Spearman, 659-5811.

YOU'RE INVITED

to a Farewell - Good Luck Reception honoring Spearman City Manager Robert Patrick. A come and go farewell reception has been planned for Spearman City Manager Robert Patrick. Robert has taken a job as City Manager in Henrietta. The public is invited and refreshments will be served.

City Council Chambers - Spearman City Hall
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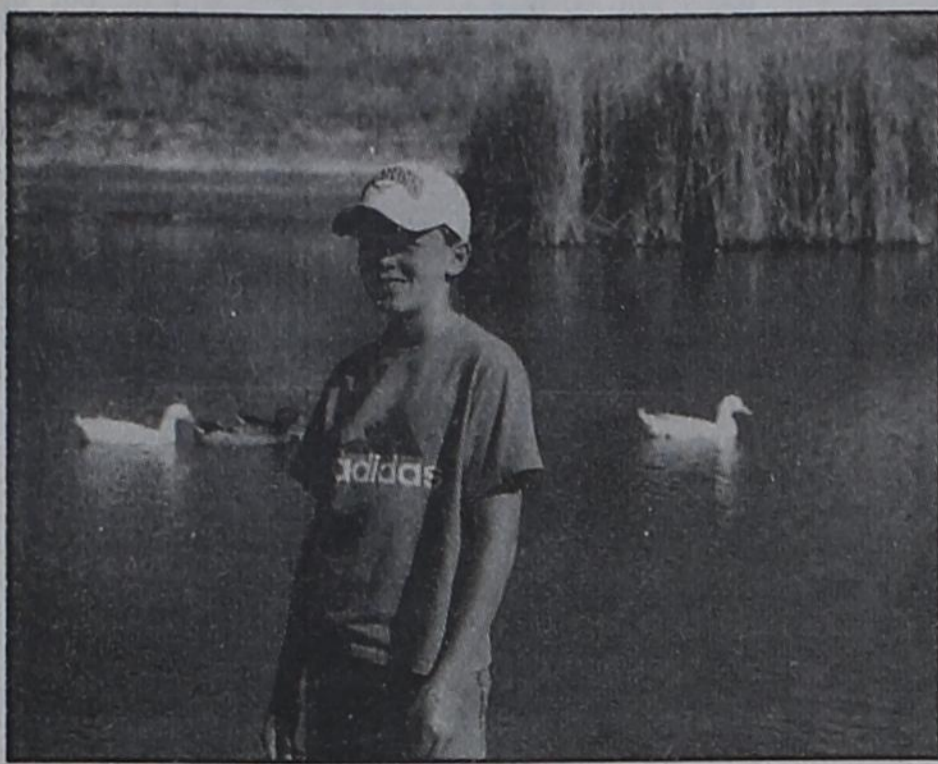
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HURRY! Sale Ends Tuesday, June 1st

We will be closed on Monday, May 31st for Memorial Day.



by Dorothy Hudson
Out At The Lake



Tate Batton is pictured above with the ducks he set free at the Kids' Pond of Palo Duro Lake. Tate and his grandfather, Sonny Nollner raised the ducks and then turned them loose.

Lake Level--May 24, 2004--24.87 feet (-0.24)

The rain that looked promising on the weather Doppler screen only amounted to .13 of an inch and a few hailstones.

The Lake's receding shoreline is again fooling drivers. Jim had to pull 3 out of the mud on Saturday.

Last weekend was more active than the usual one coming before one of the big holidays as Memorial Day weekend is.

There were 5 RVs on the office side and 8 behind the dam. One of the groups was the Kids for Christ of the Gruver Methodist Church. There were 28 youngsters from K to 4th grade in this club. Parents with them were Chad and Julie Logsdon, Kyle and Kimberly Irwin, Ronnie and Rhonda Williams, and Johnny and Kristi Williams. Some of the boys and girls were fishing. They caught some nice fish, mainly catfish and at least one bass.

A Guymon 4-H club of teenagers was also using the Park. They had a number of activities going.

Fishing was better this week

with more fish of all sizes being caught. As the 14.25 pound walleye was caught near the dam, lights are being seen there on the riprap as several of the fishermen are trying for another state record size walleye. Jim said this morning that the first walleye put in the Lake are an Arkansas strain that get bigger than the usual northern strain that was added the second time by the Wildlife and Game people. The Texas fish hatcheries do not raise walleye.

Brent and Joe of the Berry Grain Co. at Waka have donated some corn for the feeders at the Park. Watch for the little horns that the bucks have started growing now. Jim has seen two bucks with 3 inch horns. The bucks are not as visible at this time but they will occasionally be seen.

Joan has a pet male cardinal that is hanging out some on a south window ledge of the office. She figures the female is nesting near. The cardinal started out pecking on the glass as he evidently was seeing his reflection but thought it was another bird.

Manor Matters

by Merry Sparks

Sunday was blessed by the Church of Christ of Spearman bringing services to the Manor. Thank you to all that participated.

Monday morning for the Newscurrents program the residents opted to spend the morning out in the new courtyard that has been provided through funds donated to the Empty Stocking Fund. The residents enjoyed the fresh air and the beautiful flowers and the surroundings in the courtyard while they played trivia.

That afternoon we met in the Activity Room for the Life Enrichment Class taught by Gary Smalley on tape. The title of this lesson was Hidden Keys to Good Relationships. It was very informative and humorous. Several good points were brought out on how to protect a good relationship with others.

Monday night the First Christian Church hosted bingo. They brought in a multitude of home made pies for dessert after bingo. Thank you to all.

Tuesday morning was the Musercise program. We rock and rolled to the rhythm of the music. What fun!

We had scheduled a trip out to our place afterwards to drive through the longhorns and to see the beautiful wildflowers and back to my house for lunch but it was not to be. We had residents loaded and were ready to leave with them when it was noticed that there was a puddle under the van motor. Maintenance came to the rescue and sure enough the fuel pump had to be replaced. We immediately went into plan B mode since it would not be repaired until the next day. I loaded up all the food that I had prepared for lunch and brought it to town. We had lunch in the Activity Room - brisket, brown beans, cornbread, and salad. For dessert, we took the home made ice cream out on the patio and enjoyed visiting and the beautiful afternoon out in the courtyard. So, all was not lost. We

will just take our trip another day.

Later in the afternoon, games of dominoes and skip-boc cropped up at different tables.

Wednesday morning Ann Whitaker gave a very good lesson from the Bible from James 4.

That afternoon, crafts were postponed since the Rex and Susan McCloy family called to offer to perform for the residents. Their five children are accomplished musicians. They played the piano, violins, and sang for the residents. Thank you to the McCloy's for sharing your talent with us.

Thursday morning we had another special event. Kay Crouch and husband, Jim of Pampa came to the Manor and gave an art lesson in water colors. We had many talented volunteers helping residents. Sister, Pat Dear, Bobbie Novak, Helen Holt, Mary Brock, Judy Yarbrough, Maelynn Ayers, Nell Patterson, and Claudine Laxton. We appreciate the volunteers so very much! Thank you to one and all!! The residents ended up with some beautiful paintings of flowers! We will be displaying them on the dining room bulletin board. Come by to see them when you have a chance. We have many talented painters at the Manor.

Thursday afternoon the residents enjoyed bingo hosted by the auxiliary. Thank you to the auxiliary for helping with bingo and for serving ice cream! Yum Yum.

Friday morning we had our rowdy kickball game. I'll tell you that you had better be on your watch to play with us. They are pretty competitive here.

That afternoon we had a large game of Crazy Bunko. It is fun for all. I watched one teddy bear travel around the table several times before ending up with it's owner at the end of the game. What fun! Most residents choose stuffed animals-many to save for their grandchildren or great-grandchildren. We thank everyone who has donated stuffed animals. It makes our

Verna Lee Shirley Honored as 50-Year Banker

The Texas Bankers Association honored Verna Lee Shirley with the 50-Year Banker Award during its 120th Annual Convention in Houston in April. This prestigious award honors bankers with a half-century or more of service and dedication to the banking industry.

Shirley's banking career began as a part-time job in high school. In her 50 years in the banking business she has worked in various areas including the bookkeeping department, the proof department and as a teller. In 1972 Shirley was promoted to data processing manager, then vice president of operations, when the bank converted from old Burroughs posting machines to data processing. Currently Shirley is serving as the director of First State Bank of Spearman.

"One of my favorite parts of the banking industry was the opportunity to meet so many wonderful people," said Shirley. "Not only our customers, but other bankers as well."

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EMS Week 2004

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The theme of this year's EMS Week, "EMS: There When You Need Us," focused on the commitment and dedication of the 750,000 EMS providers who provide an essential community service every day.

Throughout EMS Week, state and local planners held activities honoring paramedics, emer-

gency medical technicians, first responders, fire fighters, and the police. EMS providers also helped educate the public about injury prevention, safety awareness, and medical emergencies.

EMS Week was sponsored by the American College of Emergency Physicians. Organizational sponsors include The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration and the Emergency Medical Services for Children program.

H&S Emergency Medical Services
Members: Justin Boyd,

Dwayne Comp, Jay Lamb, Krystal McDonald, Cynthia Scribner, George Smith, Roger Close, Ryan Wells.

To volunteer, call Jay Lamb at 659-5511, or contact any service member.

Gruver Emergency Medical Services

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I Learned It All On The Farm

by Harletta Carthel

Some day I going to write a best seller "Everything I Needed To Know About Life I Learned On The Farm."

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Chapter One: Farmers have a great interest in current events.

Testing Method: Farmer with pliers, broken electric fence, farm wife contemplating gate on ground

Results: Farmer receives quick update of 'current' events: farm wife, in turn, receives updating from farmer

Chapter Two: There is life after death.

Testing Method: One dead calf in pen, cowboy with lariat, one trusting farm wife

Results: Cowboy on top rail

of fence, one resurrected calf, one 'sore' believer in the hereafter on bottom rail of fence

Chapter Three: Even church women have been known to do some dirty dancing.

Testing Method: One farm wife, large vegetable garden, snake of unknown species

Result: New dance you would never want your preacher to see.

Chapter Four: There's a thin line between being a fool and being dead.

Testing Method: One unsuspecting cowboy in center of pen, big mad mama cow with eye on open gate

Result: Cow with broken ear drum, one horse cowboy with all his parts in tact.

Chapter Five: It's not a good idea to poke your nose in other people's business.

Testing Method: One curious coon hound, one porcupine crossing yard

Results: One porcupine on other side of yard, one coon hound with piece of porcupines'

mind in his nose.

Chapter Six: Some people have no appreciation for art.

Testing Method: One FFA show pig, one clippers without clipper guard, one farm wife with good intentions

Results: One heavyweight hump with slick racing stripe running length of body.

Chapter Seven: Testing Method: Farmer holding down baby calf, Farm wife with little experience and big syringe

Results: one lucky calf, one dewormed farmer who will never have Black Leg.

Chapter Eight: Some things are not worth raising a stink over

Testing Method: Nighttime commotion in chicken house, farm wife armed with flashlight

Results: More 'scent-sible' farm wife thanks to pole cats providing de-tails of situation.

Chapter Nine: You can lose more than your shirt in farming.

Testing Method: Farm wife scooping grain on top of truck, startled rodent seeking home in Calvin Kleins

Results: Mouse with home of his own, wife in unforeseen (thank goodness) predicament.

Chapter Ten: There are things in life that are more important than money.

Testing Method: Two people in house during three-day blizzard, no electricity, no water, no heat, no lights, one quarter for flipping

Results: one person with quarter in pocket, one person with wool long handles and last flush of commode.

I am currently involved in research for a sequel to my future best seller. Although just in the testing stage, book two will tell of truths learned in a boggy cow pen, a grain truck with faulty brakes, and with an electric cow prodder - which sounds like the book may start out a little dirty, go rapidly downhill, and end up being quite shocking.

Food Manager Certification Training Set June 16-17 in Amarillo

Texas Cooperative Extension of Potter, Randall and Armstrong counties will offer a two-day food manager certification training course called "Food Safety: It's Our Business" on June 16 and 17. The event will be at the Extension Office and Kimble 4-H Center, 3301 E. 10th in Amarillo.

The course fee is \$79 and includes training, materials, and the state food manager certification examination. Cost for the test only is \$35.

Recently-amended state statutes allow the Texas Department of Health to require all food establishments to have a certified food manager. New food manager certificates are valid for five years.

The training helps food service managers prepare for the certification examination and provides education regarding the safe handling of food. Almost 50 cents of every American food-dollar is spent on meals prepared away from home.

Course instructors will teach ways to identify potentially hazardous foods, prevent common errors in food handling, preventing contamination and cross-contamination of food, teach and encourage personal hygiene for employees, comply with government regulations, maintain clean utensils, equipment and surroundings, and control pests.

For more information, call Extension agents: Sue Church in Potter County at (806) 373-0713, Leesa Calvi in Randall at (806) 468-5543, or Leicia Redwine in Armstrong at (806) 226-3021.

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Taxing the Internet

It's now hard to imagine life before the Internet. Virtually every company, organization, school or government agency now boasts a "www" address as part of its contact information. Children as young as three and four are surfing online, looking up pictures and playing computer games as they learn to read and write. And soldiers on the battlefield in Iraq and Afghanistan can communicate with their loved ones via video messaging and e-mail.

But the Internet has also opened a Pandora's Box of legislative activity, creating a whole new industry subject to regulation and taxes. While sales taxes on the Internet vary from state to state, taxes on Internet access - the monthly fees you pay to Comcast, AOL or MSN - are not subject to taxation. In 1998, Congress passed the original moratorium and called for increased study of the issue, insulating Americans from new taxes and giving this burgeoning industry an environment in which it can continue to grow and flourish. Recently, Congress voted to extend the ban on taxing access to the Internet. While some local governments do levy taxes on telecommunications and right-of-way access, which

help pay for important public services, this ban prohibits new taxes from being imposed. I voted for the bill, because I believe federal actions should not inhibit Americans from utilizing the vast educational, recreational and information resources of the World Wide Web.

The Internet is an important vehicle of commerce driving our economy. In 2000, \$38.8 billion in business-to-consumer transactions occurred online. In 2004, estimates indicate that figure could top \$180 billion. E-commerce is especially vital in a state the size of Texas, with thousands of residents living in rural areas far from the shopping malls and department stores found in the cities and suburbs. A recent study reported that 67 percent of urban and 66 percent of suburban Americans use the Internet at home or work, while 52 percent of rural residents are online. The Internet brings the latest consumer goods to your doorstep with the click of the mouse, whether you live in a high rise in downtown Houston or a ranch outside of El Paso.

Additionally, the Internet breaks down geographic barriers and enables each of us to explore new worlds we may never have

known. From a rural schoolhouse in Pecos County, students can jump online and interact with school children across America. A stay at home mother in Wichita Falls can take college courses on the Internet, simultaneously raising her family while earning a master's degree in business. By taking its business to the Web, a small home business in Freer can expand beyond its neighborhood and sell gift baskets, quilts or handcrafted jewelry to customers around the world.

The Internet Tax Nondiscrimination Act, which passed the Senate 93-3, extends the ban on Internet access for four more years. While I supported the bill, I also worked to ensure the legislation preserved the status of Texas communities already collecting "franchise fees." Franchise fees and access line fees are payments that have been collected by cities since 1870 from telecommunications companies for use of public rights of way.

Taxing the Internet and raising the costs of electronic commerce would harm American consumers and grow the "Digital Divide" in America. While millions of Americans enjoy the Internet, there are still too many who don't have access to this valuable tool. Raising access costs would most surely put it further out of reach for low-income Americans, senior citizens and those living on fixed incomes. Extending the ban on access taxes was the right thing to do. As we've made strides in recent years to close the Digital Divide and bring the Internet to all Americans, Congress must not throw up roadblocks on the Information Superhighway.



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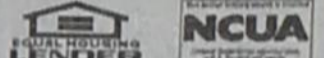
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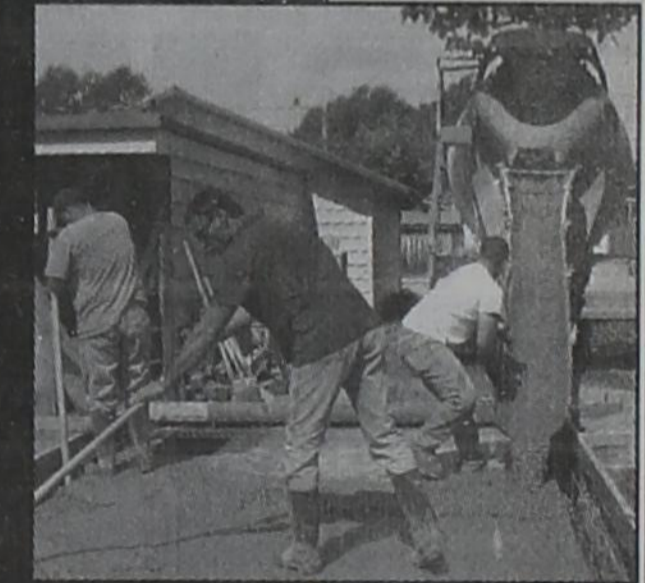


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Spearman Students Cited As Scholar Athletes

Seven Spearman High School students have been named National High School Athletic Institute's prestigious All-American Scholar Athletes. Cited for the award were Jeff Brock, Eric Flores, Wayne Gibson, Garrett Martin, Russell Sheets, Clete Vanderburg, and Jordan Short.

Nominations for the honor was based on high academic excellence, overall athletic performance and moral force of Character.

Brock, Flores, Gibson, Martin and Russell were for the honor for football while Short was named for cross country, basketball, and tennis.



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GJHS Bandsmen Take Honors

Competing in the Dumas Middle School Music Festival Saturday, May 1, Gruber Junior High Band members brought home a bevy of awards.

The Fifth Grade Band received a division II for their concert performance.

Fifth grade bandsmen gaining a division I rating for their solos were Rogelio Anaya, Shane Atwood, Jesus Balderrama, Justin Bass, Gaby Barrera, Mariela Barrera, Andy Flores, Mary Hart, Matison Jones, Jack Karlin, Zachary Logsdon, Rito Mendoza, Brianna Mitchell, Colton Moffett, Mariela Mundo, Luis Munoz, Chris Ortiz, Brenna Reid, Sammie Sanchez, Daniel Swink, Juliana Trejo, Angelica Valverde, and Shelby Wagner.

Fifth graders awarded a division II were Hugo Ortiz, Bianca Ortiz, Zachary Saylor, and Payton Thoreson

In the fifth grade ensemble competition, Division I winners were Mary Hart and Camby Cooper Hugo Ortiz, Bianca Ortiz, Rogelio Anaya, Ruben Hernandez, Jesus Balderrama, Angelica Valverde, and Luis Munoz; Jack Karlin and Shane Atwood; Matison Jones, Gaby Barrera, Mariela Barrera, Shelby Wagner, and Daniel Swink; Mariela Mundo, Juliana Trejo, Samantha Sanchez, and Brenna Reid.

Earning a division II were Colton Moffett Zach Logsdon, Brianne Mitchell, Chris Ortiz, Zach Saylor, Payton Mitchell, Justin Bass, and Rito Mendoza.

The Sixth Grade Concert Band Performance earned a Division I, in Sight reading and a Division I in Performance.

Division I Solos - Mary Barron, Fatimo Borunda, Jesse Buschnell, Shaney Collier, Carmen Dahl, Bianca Garcia, Katie Gibson, Parker Grotegut, Eunice Guereca, Luli Hernandez, Ruben Hernandez, Reagan Karlin, Luis Lora, Gabriel Mendoza, Ramon Mendoza, Caleb Miller, Drew Mireles, Mitaele Ortiz, Gage Parker, Gaby Santillan, Meagan Stedje, Jeronimo Trejo, Rily Urban, Matti Yanke, and Leigh Ann Winger.

Alonzo Martinez received a Division II award.

Sixth Grade Ensembles receiving a Division I were Diana Bernal, Matti Yanke, Mary Barron, Meagan Stedje, and Katie Gibson. Andy Flores, Drew Mireles, Alonzo Martinez, Reagan Karlin, Caleb Miller, Luis Lora, and Leigh Ann Winger; Jorge Tarango, Joel Soto, Ramon Mendoza, Lorenzo Tarango, Gage Parker, Gabriel Mendoza, and Jeronimo Trejo; Bianca Garcia, Cindy Tarango, Fatimo Borunda, and Eunice Guereca; Luli Hernandez, Shaney Collier, Gaby Hernandez, Michaele Ortiz, and Carmen Dahl.

Riley Urban, Parker Grotegut, Miles Messer, and Jordan Hicks received a Division II award.

In the seventh grade, the concert band was awarded a Division II on performance and a Division I on sight reading.

Receiving Division I on their solos were Sydney Clawson, Cody Dahl, Jordan Hicks, Macy Jones, Steve Morales, Brenda Mendoza, Miles Messer, Esbeydey Ramirez, Matt Salazar, Jorge Soto, Veronica Teal, Lynn Vela, and Dani Wheelock.

Roberto Mendoza was awarded a Division II on his solo.

Receiving a Division I in the Seventh Grade Ensemble competition were Jorge Soto, Steve Morales, and Roberto Mendoza; Dani Wheelock, Macy Jones, Lynn Vela, Sydney Clawson, and Veronica Teal; Matt Salazar, Jesse Buschnell and Cody Dahl.

Spearman ISD Kids Kamp 2004



May 31, June 1, 2 & 4: Lynx Football Camp is for incoming 5th-7th graders. The four-day camp focuses on the fundamentals of football and is sponsored by the Lynx coaching staff. The cost of camp is \$35 and will run from 9-11 a.m. at the Jr. High practice field. Early registration is required for a T-shirt. *Football camp will not be held on the 3rd due to the Golf Camp.*

June 1: Color Your World...Read! summer reading program - This theme invites children to explore multiculturalism, art and the environment. It is our goal to reach as many children as possible and provide them with the joys of reading with games and arts/crafts included. No charge for this session. Ages 3-5, 10-10:45 a.m.; Grades K-2, 11-11:45 a.m. at Hansford County Library.

June 1: Babysitting Safety Training - Instructor Peggy Winegarner will instruct the students on basic babysitting skills and nutrition. This clinic is for students in grades 4-8. Cost of the clinic is \$10 (includes manuals) and will be held at Spearman High School from 1-3:30 p.m.

June 2: Children in Charge - A course designed for children who are "home alone." Representatives will teach dealing with home emergencies, fire safety, tornado instructions for the home, and a rappelling wall instruction, from Hansford Hospital, Hansford County Sheriff Department and the Spearman

Volunteer Fire Department. The cost is \$5. Grades K-5, 10-11:30 a.m.; Spearman High School.

June 3: Hansford Golf Club Kid's Clinic - This golf clinic is a beginner-intermediate level course designed to develop or improve your skills for the game of golf. The cost of practice balls and green fee at Hansford Golf Club is included in the registration fee of \$15. The clinic will include the fundamentals of golf and golf etiquette. Students need to bring their own clubs. Grades 3-5; 10 a.m.-3 p.m.; Hansford Golf Course. *Each student needs to bring a sack lunch.*

June 8: Color Your World...Read! summer reading program - Ages 3-5, 10-10:45 a.m.; Grades K-2, 11-11:45 a.m. at Hansford County Library.

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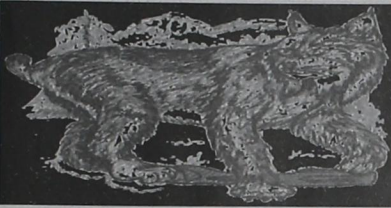
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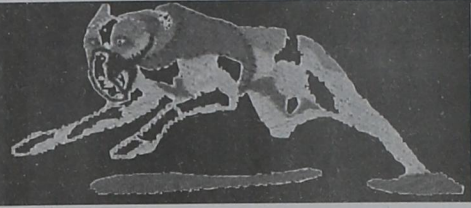
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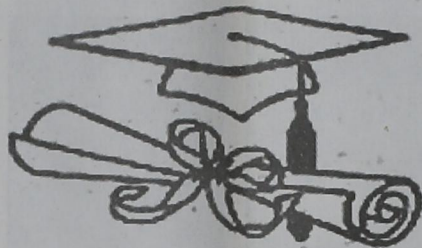
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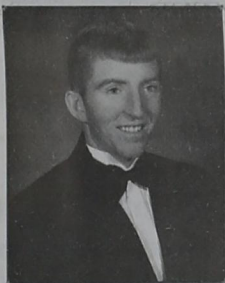
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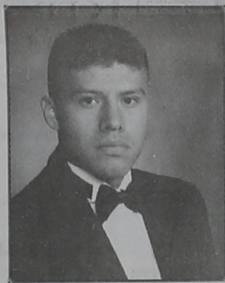
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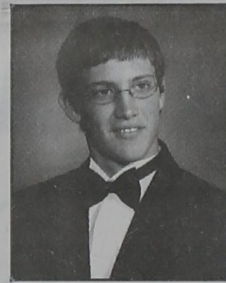
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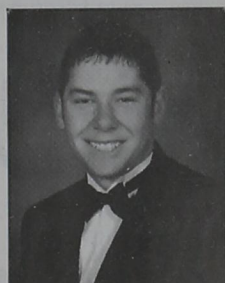
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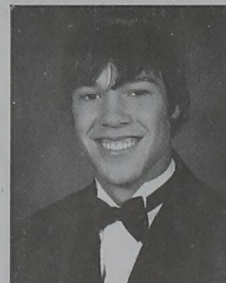
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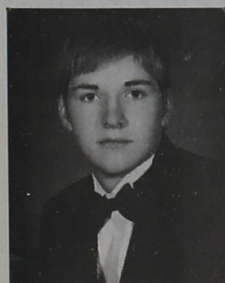
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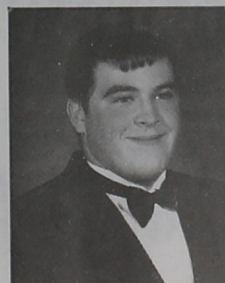
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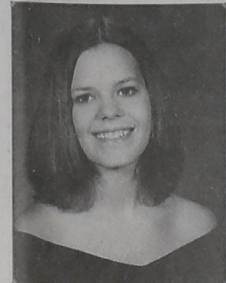
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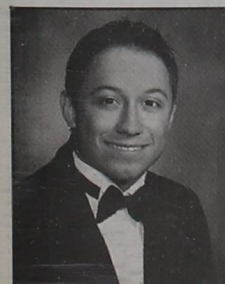
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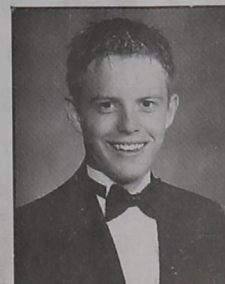
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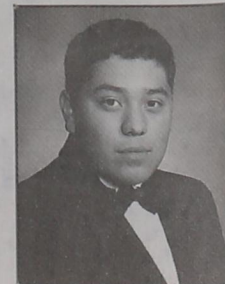
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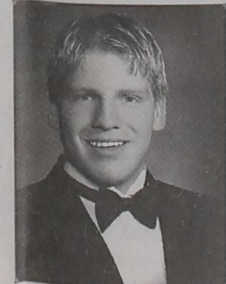
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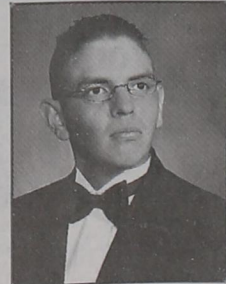
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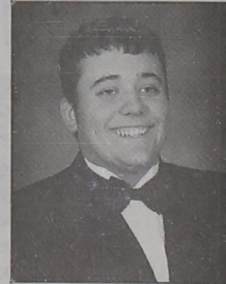
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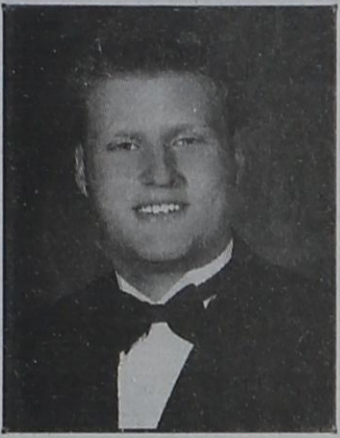
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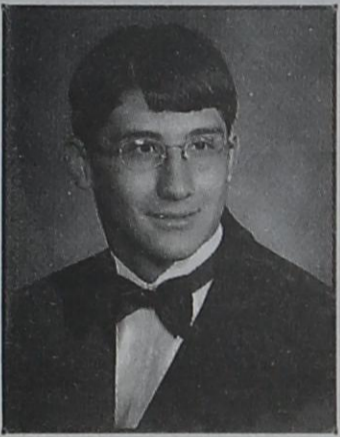
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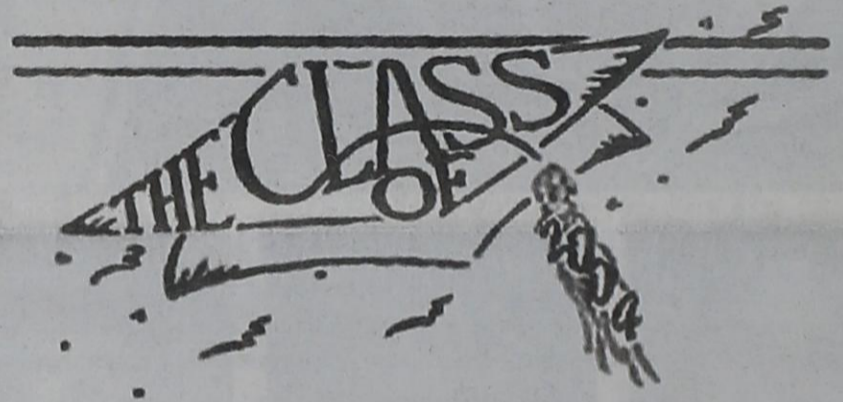
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We do not fear the future for we are the future because of what we have achieved and what we will achieve. Each of us has different talents, different dreams and different destinations, yet we all have the power to make a new tomorrow.

We have our own ambitions and our own kind of dreams to pursue. With the help of many we are prepared to meet tomorrow's challenges. Time and space may separate us but wherever our pathways lead us, we'll always be the Class of 2004. We would like to thank our parents, administration, faculty and friends for the wonderful memories they have given us.

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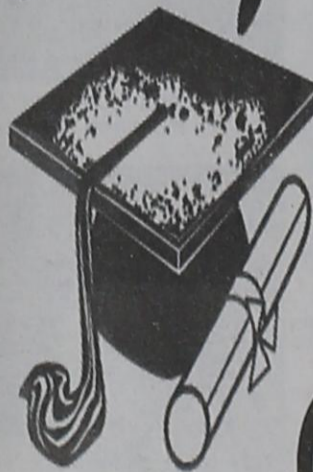
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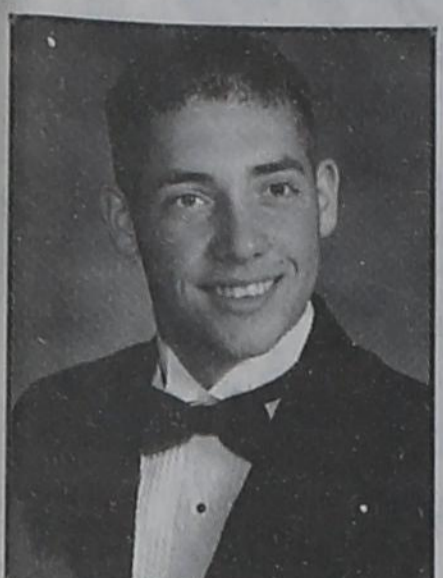
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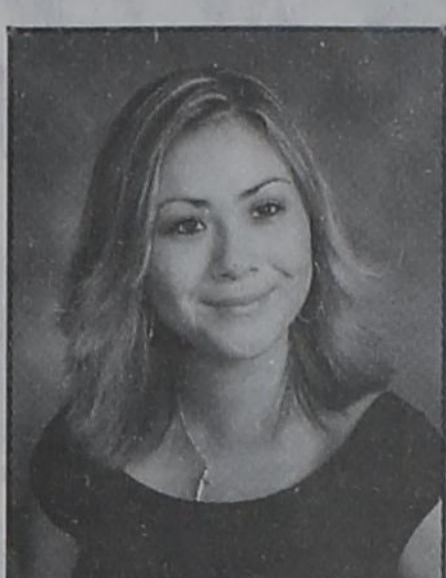
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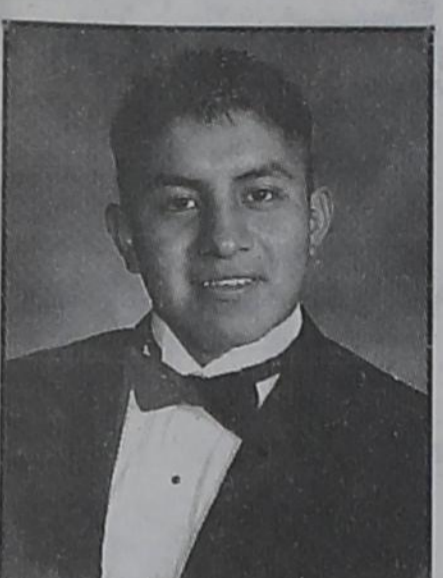
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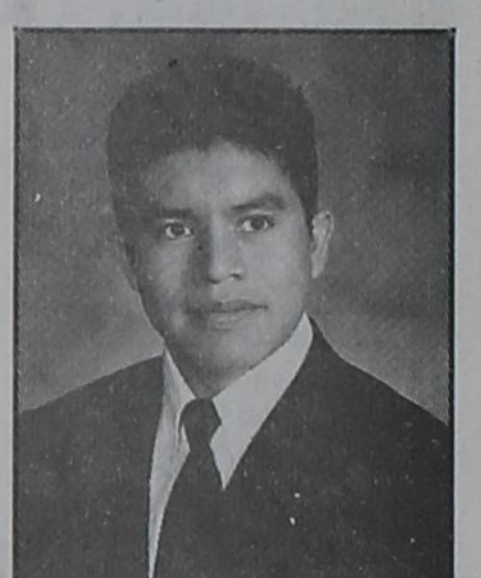
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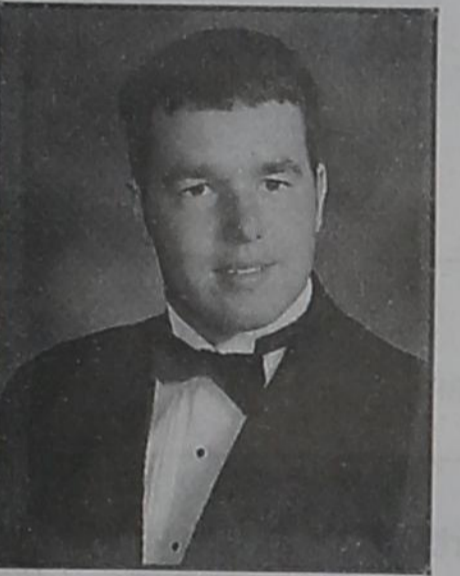
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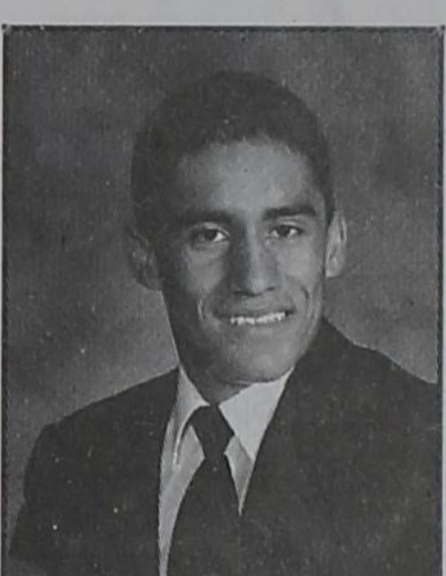
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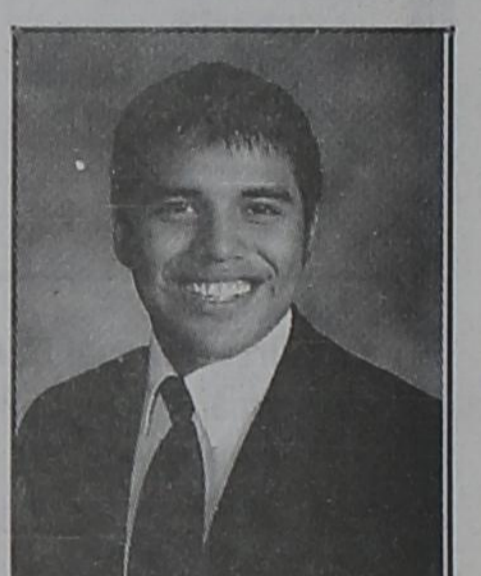
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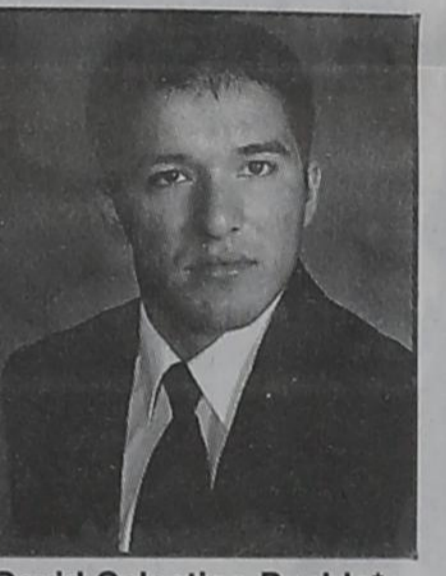
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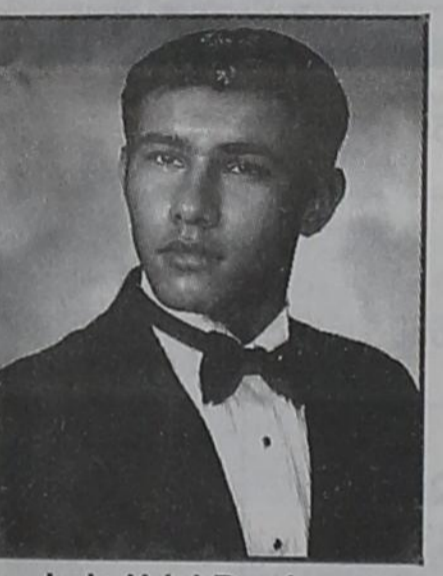
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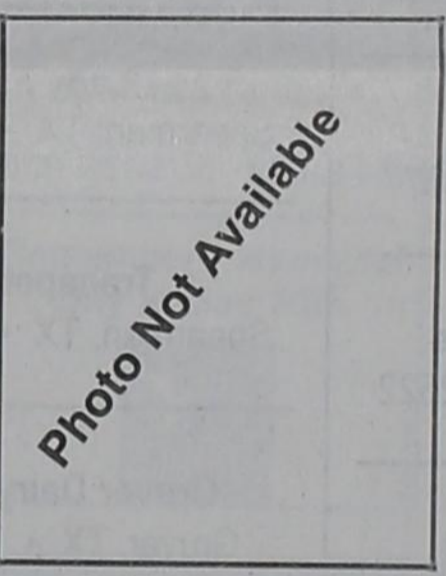
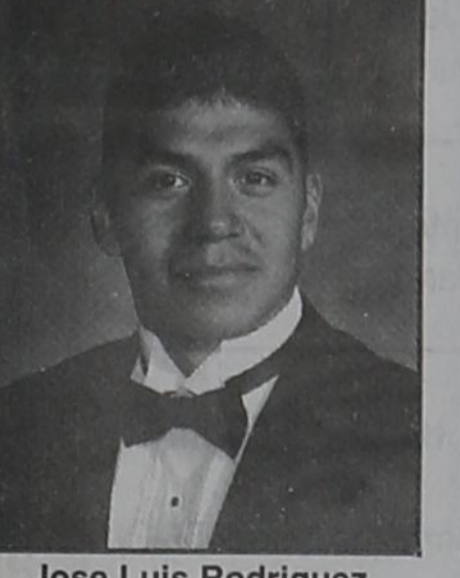


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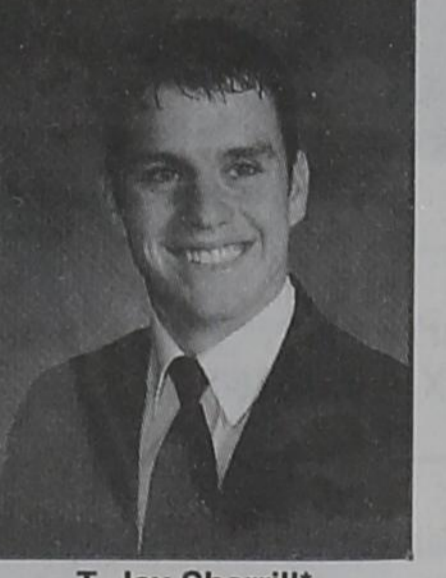
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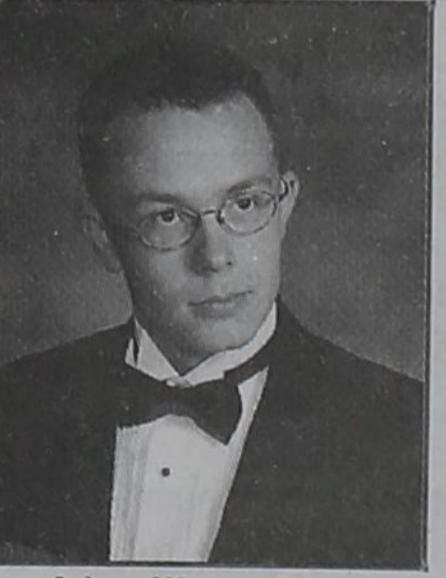
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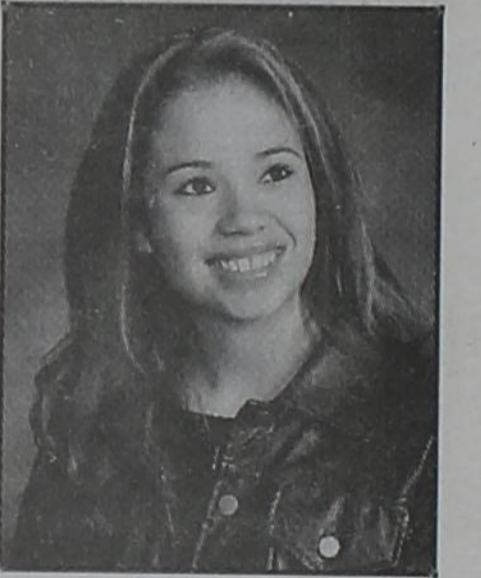
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Hansford County Graduates

Spearman Junior High

Sixty students will graduate from Spearman Junior High in ceremonies to be held at 6:30 p.m., Thursday May 27, in the school auditorium.

Kyla Reed will lead the Pledge of Allegiance with Pastor Ralph Mireles giving the invocation.

A graduation address will be given by Pastor Mireles, following the welcome by principal Bill Wiggins.

The salutatory address will be given by Mattie Davis with Clara Kern presenting the valedictory address.

Other honor students are Kyla Reed, Brittney Bradley, Kendall Schneider, Dane Harbour, Blayne Baker, Colby Odegaard, Kylee Howard, Lizet Camacho, Callie Cazares, Crystal Bridwell, Natalia Quintero, Amanda Snider, Elliott Sheets, Austin Benton, Kimberly Bergan, Christy Lang, Amy Boyd, Jessica Diaz, Tarryn Dixon and Jesus Moreno.

Additional eighth grade graduates are Alyssia Anima, Amanda Bain, Ayde Balderas, Amy Brown, Sandi Carbajal, Luz Casas, Amber Comp, Mark Deakin, Matt Diaz, Ashley Dick, Lisa Marie Espinosa, Justin Lynn Flores, Victor Flores, Jeremy Frost, Caitlin Garcia, Wendy Gaytan, Claribel Hernandez, Luise Huerta, Juan Ibarra, Carlos Lopez, Carlos Mendoza, Lupe Mendoza, Miriam Mendoza, Malissa Montgomery, Jesus Morales, Heriselda Perez, Eddie Regaldo, Tyler Rex, Marlon Robledo, J.J. Rojas, Daniel Rosales, Elsa Rosales, Justine Kay Rosales, Esteban Salazar, Meagen Smith, Luis Carlos Tarango, Ivan Terrazas and Victor Villa.

Bill Wiggins will recognize the honor students, and Superintendent Rodney Sumner will present certificates. The benediction will be given by Pastor Mireles.

Seventh graders ushers are Courtney Chambers, Liliana Rodriguez, Rodney Hadley and Tyler Schnell.

Gruver Junior High

Twenty-four students will graduate from Gruver Junior High in ceremonies to be held at 8:00 p.m., Thursday May 27, in the school auditorium.

Chandler Miner will lead the Pledge of Allegiance with Yadira Garcia giving the invocation.

Kayla Swink will present a vocal selection, "I Hope You Dance", while Emily Williams will introduce students of the class as they recite their favorite quotations.

The salutatory address will be given by Seth Thompson with Maydeli Ortiz presenting the valedictory address.

Other honor students are Yadira Garcia, Chandler Miner, Morgan Ross, Diana Solis, Adriana Soto, Kayla Swink, Emily Williams and Abbi Yanke.

Additional eighth grade graduates are Sorrele Blevins, Victor Chavira, Cason Finley, Flor Gonzales, Chase Jones, Tony Lora, Whitney Moffett, Kailee Reed, Roman Rodriguez, Dalila Santillan, Tanner Sherrill, Caleb Shults, Lorenzo Torres and Denise Villegas.

Dalila Santillan will present a vocal selection, "Song of Love", followed by the presentation of awards by principal Matt Branstine and the presentation of diplomas by superintendent David Teal. Abbi Yanke will have the benediction.

Seventh graders Lynn Vela and Miles Messer will serve as escorts while Sydney Clawson, Mallory Reid, Devlin Reynolds and Matt Salazar will be greeters.

Pringle-Morse CISD

Four students graduated from Pringle-Morse Junior High in ceremonies held at 7:00 p.m., Tuesday, May 25, in the school auditorium.

Patricia Guel welcomed guests, followed by the invocation by Superintendent Kent Hargis.

The salutatory address was given by Tara Shields with Eva McCloy presenting the valedictory address. They also presented the class history.

Additional eighth grade graduates are Patrisha Guel and

Emmanuel Mendoza.

Several awards were presented during the ceremony, including Athletic Awards, Band Awards, President's Education Awards, School Board Award, Service Awards, and the Kathy Stedje Memorial Award.

Following the acceptance of diplomas by Emmanuel Mendoza, Kent Hargis gave the benediction.

Seventh graders ushers were Jenna Wilson and Amy Tolleson.

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