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Voters return to polls for runoff

Hansford County voters returned to the voting booths this week to cast ballots in the primary runoff elections. Absentee voting opened the first of the week with the general voting to be held on Tuesday, April 10.

The only local runoff is on the Democratic ballot, where the justice of the Peace race is between incumbent J.P. Vernon and Michele Davis. Davis garnered 10 more votes than did Vernon in the primary election in March. This race appears to be very close.

The statewide runoffs that will be on the ballot will be for the Governor's office; the State Treasurer; Justice, State Supreme Court, page 2; and Judge, Court

of Criminal Appeals, page 1. There are only two runoff races on the Republican ballot. They are Commissioner of the General Land Office and Commissioner of Agriculture.

Examples of both ballots are printed on page 2 of this issue. Profiles of the local candidates are on page 2 as well.

According to County Court Clerk Amelia Johnson, absentee voting has been much heavier on the Democratic side than the Republican side. Fifty people have appeared to vote absentee on the Democratic ticket, and 14 have requested to vote by mail. Only two people have appeared to vote absentee on the Republican ticket, and three have requested to vote

by mail. According to records in the courthouse there were 3,385 registered voters in Hansford County during the primary election in March. Of that number, approximately 50 percent turned out to vote. Thirty-four percent voted Democratic and 16 percent voted Republican. During this runoff election voters who were among the 50 percent who did not vote, vote in either party's runoff election. Voters who cast ballots in the primary election in March must vote in the same party's runoff election in which they voted in March.

Sample ballots, candidate profiles and precinct polling locations can be found on page 2 of this issue.



A workman feeds tree limbs and brush into a chipper at the Spearman city dump. According to City Maintenance Director, Jim Williams, the public is welcome to come out to the dump and help themselves to the mounds of chips that are accumulating there.



Pete and Brenda Wall are on the phone rounding up talent for the Spearman Golden Spread radio-thon to be held on April 19.

Lady Hounds take first at Miami

by Bob Bort

The Gruver Lady Hounds copped first place at the Miami Warrior Relays Friday-Saturday March 30-31. The Hounds were barely nosed out, winding up in second place by the slimmest of margins (1 point) to the Clarendon Broncos.

In the big news of the meet, Brandy Shelton of the ladies continues to excel in the 400 and the 800 meters. In the 400 meters she ran a 61.13, which would put her in second place on the *Globe-News* Girls Track Honor Roll, just 1/10th of a second behind the leader, Poppy Thomas of Dimmitt. Congratulations to Brandy!

Looking at the boys results first, Chris Spivey took second place in the discus throw, with a heave of 121'8." In the triple jump, Troy Seagler jumped 41'0" for second place, tying his best distance at Sunray. And in the high jump, it was Seagler at 6'2" for second place.

In the 800 meter run it was Seagler again for first place, with a time of 2:07.87, his best time of the year. In the 100 meter dash, it was Dan McCloy with a time of 11.19. He is on the *Globe-News* Boys Track Honor Roll with his time at Canadian, 11.07. McCloy took third in the 100 this week. But in the 200 meter dash, McCloy took first place with his best time of the year, 22.60. Theron Park took second in the 1600 meter run with a time of 4:57.1, his best of the year.

In the 1600 meter relay the team of McCloy, Kyle Haenisch, Cannon Harris and Seagler ran a 3:36.7, their best time of the year.

good for first place at Miami.

Team totals (boys): 1. Clarendon 84; 2. Gruver 83; 3. Valley 82; 4. Canadian 75; 5. Booker 70; 6. Shamrock 43; 7. Higgins 36; 8. McLean 30; 9. Lefors 19; 10. Claude 10; 11. Silverton 7; 12. (tie) Darrouzett 6, Follett 6; 14. Clarendon JV 2; 15. Patton Springs 1.

For the ladies, in the 400 meter relay Janelle Haefner, Holly Veneman, Stacey Williams and Shelley Stedje combined for a time of 53.9, good for second place, their best time of the year on the sprint relay. In the 800 meter run it was Brandy Shelton, as mentioned earlier, finishing in first place with her time of 2:30.46, and Elda

Pando finished in second place with a time of 2:39.58, her best of the year. For Shelton, her time was off of the school record 2:29.81 set at Sunray two weeks ago.

In the 100 meter low hurdles it was Haefner for second place at 16.9 seconds, her best of the year. The 800 meter relay (4X200) saw Gruver come in third with a time of 1:55.8, their best of the year. That was Haefner (1), Angela Sistrunk (2), Stedje (3) and Veneman (4). And in the 1600 meter (mile, 4X400) relay Gruver took first place honors with their time

See track page 12

Pageant entry blanks available

Entry blanks for the 1990 Miss Hansford Pageant are available at Chalor's, J.G.'s, Kid's Stuff, and the Spearman Chamber of Commerce Office. Entry blanks are also available in Gruver at Main Street Store.

evening gown. Miss Teen will be judged on interview and stage appearance only. Miss Teen will not be judged on talent. Little Miss, Junior Miss and Miss Pre-Teen will be judged on interview and stage appearance only.

them "one-on-one." The time and place will be announced later.

Interviews for Miss Hansford and Miss Teen will be the afternoon of the pageant on June 8 at the high school.

Miss Hansford winners will be awarded scholarships and various other prizes donated by local businesses.

Questions concerning the pageant can be directed to Cindy Blackman or Kari Russell. The Chamber Office can also be of assistance.

The Masters of Ceremonies for this year's pageant are the "Young Guns," John Mesh and Randy Hart, disc jockeys from KISS radio station in Canyon.

Miss Hansford will be judged on talent, swimsuit, interview and

This year the interviews for Little Miss, Junior Miss and Pre-Teen will be a little different. Interviews will be conducted the evening of Thursday, June 7 during a coke party for the girls. This way the judges can visit with

SHS dominates tourney

Spearman High School hosted the opening rounds of the district 1-AA tennis tournament on Tuesday, April 3. By the end of the day SHS had placed finalists in every division except boys' singles.

Since the top two finishers in each event go on to regionals, SHS will be advancing 10 out of 12 players to the regionals tournament.

In girls doubles, the number one doubles team of Cam Butts and Tamri Townsen swept into the finals. They defeated their two opponents, losing only two games in the two matches. Their opponents in the finals will be their teammates, Kimbre Townsen and Shea Crawford.

In the boys doubles, the number one SHS team of Clint Townsen and Wesley Dyess had little trouble winning their two matches to advance to the finals. Their opponents, the number two SHS team of Russell Shaver and Mike Hager, split sets with the Panhandle team in their second match. But in the end it was an all-SHS final.

The girls singles finalists will include Spearman's number one player, Brandi Schneider who dominated in each of her two matches on her way to the finals. Her teammate, number two singles player on the SHS squad

Adrian Blackburn, had a tough second match to reach the finals. She lost the first set of the match but went on to win the second and third sets and advance into the finals.

The boys singles players, Scott Wilkerson (#1) and Sherman Jones (#2), lost tough close matches. Wilkerson lost a two-set

match by one game in each set. Jones won his first match and lost his second only after forcing his opponent to seven games in the first set and then losing by only one service break in the second.

The finals of the tournament were scheduled to start at 8:45 a.m. today at the SHS tennis courts. Jones will be playing for third place at the same time.



SHS tennis team doubles teams are in the finals of the district 1-AA tournament. Pictured l-r are Clint Townsen, Wesley Dyess, Cam Butts and Tamri Townsen.

Auxiliary holds spring luncheon

The Hansford Hospital Auxiliary met April 2 at the First Christian Church for their Spring luncheon. Guests present were Al LaRochelle, hospital and manor director; Carol Hergert, manor director of nurses; and Jody Harnish, activities director.

Jo Larson, president, reported that the group had purchased blinds for the hospital rooms, two large servicing carts, wheels for the walkers and gel pads for the residents. The purchase, totaling \$2,000, was made possible by the generosity of the citizens of Hansford County through their dona-

tions to the Christmas Card Fund.

Members received pins or bars for their volunteer service. Two receiving bars for 150 hours of service were Mary Fern Terry and Virginia Head. Members receiving bars for 100 hours of service were Adalyn Barnes, Maylyn Ayers, Verna Maupin, Mert Bohanan, Mary Cornelius, Rosa Lee Butt, Jo Larson, Eddie Largent, Beth Phelps, Edith Smith and Hazel Stumpf. Fifty hour service pins were given to Peggy Ellsworth and Altha Fisher.

Begonia centerpieces for the tables were furnished by C&D

Green House. A Begonia was given as a door prize, and was won by Frances Cudd.

Members present included Dorothy Haner, Grace Johnson, Ora Lee Blackburn, Edith Smith, Myrt Bohanan, Eddie Largent, Verna Maupin, Mary Cornelius, Betty Jean Davis, Gwen Smith, June Jackson, Lorene Kunselman, Margarette Evans, Jettie Davis, Virginia Head, Rosa Lee Butt, Mary Fern Terry, Alva Garner, Carol Hergert, Jo Larson, Jody Harnish, Adalyn Barnes, Al LaRochelle and Frances Cudd.



Members of the Hansford Hospital Auxiliary attending their noon luncheon on Monday.

Hansford County election information

Primary runoff candidate profiles

J.P. Vernon

J.P. Vernon is the incumbent candidate for the office of Hansford County Justice of the Peace.

Vernon has been a resident of Hansford County since 1927. He is a 1943 graduate of Spearman High School and served in the United States Navy for three years during World War II. Upon his return, he attended West Texas State University.

Vernon married the former Betty Jo Pierce in 1946, and the couple has reared five children in Hansford County.

In an open letter to voters of Hansford County, the Democratic candidate states: "If you see fit to return me to the office of Justice of the Peace, I will continue to discharge the duties as efficiently as possible and will treat each and every one in a fair and impartial manner."

He has served as Hansford County Justice of the Peace for 32 years, which is longer than any other Justice of the Peace in the state of Texas.

He said that he appreciates the support of the voters in Hansford County, and would welcome the opportunity to continue to serve them.



J.P. Vernon

Michele Davis

Michele Davis is a Democratic candidate for the office of Hansford County Justice of the Peace in the April 10 primary runoff election.

Davis, a lifelong Hansford County resident, is a graduate of Spearman High School and attended West Texas State University at Canyon. She and her husband Mike have been married 15 years. They have two children, Misha, 10; and Matthew, 8.

In the past, she has worked as the Administrative Assistant at the Hansford County ASCS office and was the computer systems operator for Cadrock Industries. She has been an Emergency Medical Services volunteer for the past 11 years and has been a paramedic for nine years. Presently, she serves as Director of Emergency Medical Services and attends classes at Frank Phillips College at Borger and at Amarillo



Michele Davis

College to update her knowledge in the medical field.

Davis is an instructor for the Texas Department of Health, Frank Phillips College, the American Heart Association and the American Red Cross. She also serves on the Board of Directors of the Hansford County American Heart Association and on the Panhandle Emergency Medical Services Board.

She says that her years as a volunteer have given her the opportunity to work with many people in the county, and that through her work she has developed a good relationship with law

enforcement entities in Hansford County.

She cites her experience as an EMS volunteer and paramedic as qualifications for fulfilling the duties of coroner for the county.

Davis states that if elected there are two primary goals she would strive to achieve as Justice of the Peace. Those goals include using small claims court as "a positive step in keeping local businesses in business." Elaborating on this plan, she says it is important that residents shop locally, but it is just as important that local merchants are paid for their goods and services.

The second goal Davis would like to see achieved as Justice of the Peace is to pursue the idea of "Teen Court." She states that in many areas, teen court is used as an alternative program for young people, helping them to become familiar with the court process and helping them to become more responsible for their own actions.

Davis claims that if elected, she would work as a full time Justice of the Peace while maintaining her volunteer service, and is willing to obtain whatever training is necessary to fulfill the duties of the office.

Where To Vote

Republicans

- PRECINCT #1 - Courthouse
- PRECINCT #2 - Community Bible Church
- PRECINCT #3 - Community Bible Church
- PRECINCT #4 - Gruver County Barn
- PRECINCT #5 - Spearman County Barn
- PRECINCT #6 - Spearman High School
- PRECINCT #7 - Community Bible Church
- PRECINCT #9 - Pringle-Morse School

Democrats

- PRECINCT #1-Hansford County Courthouse
- PRECINCT #2-Spearman High School
- PRECINCT #3-Community Bible Church
- PRECINCT #4-Gruver County Barn
- PRECINCT #5-Hansford County Courthouse
- PRECINCT #6-Spearman High School
- PRECINCT #7-Community Bible Church
- PRECINCT #9-Gruver County Barn

Polls open 7 a.m. - 7 p.m.



Ballots made of broken pottery were used by the citizens of Ancient Athens to get rid of unpopular politicians. Whenever 6000 or more were cast, the official was sent into exile for 10 years.

DEMOCRATIC PARTY PRIMARY RUNOFF ELECTION (ELECCION PRIMARIA DECISIVA DEL PARTIDO DEMOCRATICO)

HANSFORD COUNTY, TEXAS (CONDADO DE HANSFORD, TEXAS)

APRIL 10, 1990 (10 de abril de 1990)

BALLOT BOLETA

INSTRUCTION NOTE: Vote for the candidate of your choice in each race by placing an "X" in the square beside the candidate's name. Vote for none or one. "I am a Democrat and understand that I am ineligible to vote or participate in another political party's primary election or convention during this voting year." (NOTA DE INSTRUCCION: Vote por el candidato de su preferencia por marcar con una "X" el cuadro al lado del nombre del candidato. Vote por ninguno o uno. "Yo soy Demócrata y comprendo que no estoy elegible para votar o participar en la elección primaria o la convención de algún otro partido político durante este año electoral.")

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 Ann W. Richards
 Jim Mattox

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 Nikki Van Hightower
 Tom Bowden

Justice, Supreme Court, Place 2 (Juez, Corte Suprema, Lugar Núm. 2)
 Rose Sears
 Bob Gammage

Judge, Court of Criminal Appeals, Place 1 (Juez, Corte de Apelaciones Criminales, Lugar Núm. 1)
 Frank Maloney
 Morris L. Overstreet

Justice of the Peace (Juez de Paz)
 Johnny P. Vernon
 Michele Davis

REPUBLICAN PARTY PRIMARY RUNOFF ELECTION

(ELECCION PRIMARIA DECISIVA DEL PARTIDO REPUBLICANO)

(CONDADO DE) HANSFORD COUNTY, TEXAS

APRIL 10, 1990 (10 DE ABRIL DE 1990)

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Vote on Tuesday, April 10

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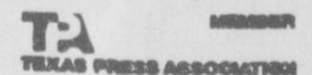
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Spearman Gruver School Scene . . .



Gruver High School one-act play cast and crew members traveled to White Deer March 22 to participate in zone competition. Gruver's play, directed by Russ Chisum, was "Lily Daw and the Three Ladies." The presentation given at White Deer was good for fourth place for cast Benny McClen-

gan, Gretchen Lowder, Lacey Gresham, Stefan Dorman, Manda Winger, Jennifer Baker, Cynthia Winn, Akiko Bort, Jennifer Hart and Clay Gillispie; and crew Kelly McCloy, Kyle Haenisch and Eva Babbs.



Spearman High School's band, under the direction of Larry Sparks, will travel to Panhandle Tuesday, April 10 for contest. SHS Band members will be on stage at Panhandle High School at 1:30 p.m. for warm-up, followed at 2:00 p.m. by a concert performance. Sight reading contest will be at 2:30

p.m. Concert judges for the contest are Harris Brinson of San Angelo, Leslie Ross of Lockney and James Striet of Vernon. Sight reading judges are Jim Clark of Hollis, Okla., Willis Giddens of Plainview and Bill Shipp of Brownfield.

Gruver Menu

GRUVER SCHOOL MENU
APRIL 9 - APRIL 12
MONDAY
 CHEESE SANDWICHES
 TATER TOTS
 FRUIT
 COOKIES
 MILK
TUESDAY
 TACOS
 LETTUCE, CHEESE
 FRUIT
 CRUSTOS
 MILK
WEDNESDAY
 FISH STICKS
 MACARONI AND CHEESE
 GREEN BEANS
 COBBLER
 HOT ROLLS
 MILK
THURSDAY
 STEW
 FRUIT
 COOKIES
 CORN BREAD
 MILK
FRIDAY
 "GOOD FRIDAY"
 NO SCHOOL
 HAPPY EASTER

BREAKFAST
MONDAY
 CEREAL JUICE MUFFINS MILK
TUESDAY
 COWBOY BREAD FRUIT
 PEANUTS MILK
WEDNESDAY
 SAUSAGE BISCUITS FRUIT
 MILK
THURSDAY
 TOAST FRUIT PEANUT BUTTER
 JELLY MILK
NO SCHOOL FRIDAY

HIGH SCHOOL MENU
APRIL 9-13
MONDAY
 TACOS
 PINTO BEANS
 SALAD BAR
 SOPAIPILLA/HONEY
 MILK
TUESDAY
 CHILI DOG
 TATER TOTS
 SALAD BAR
 CHERRY CRISP
 MILK

WEDNESDAY
 TURKEY FRITTER
 MASHED POTATOES
 SALAD BAR
 HOT ROLLS/BUTTER
 CANNED PURPLE PLUMS
 MILK
THURSDAY
 HAMBURGER
 FRENCH FRIES
 SALAD BAR
 COOKIE
 MILK
FRIDAY
 NO SCHOOL

JR. HIGH-ELEMENTARY MENU
MONDAY
 TACOS
 TACO SAUCE/CHEESE CUP
 PINTO BEANS
 LETTUCE-TOMATO SALAD
 SOPAIPILLA/HONEY
 MILK
TUESDAY
 CHILI DOG
 PICKLE RELISH/ONIONS
 TATER TOTS
 BUTTERED CARROTS
 CHERRY CRISP
 MILK

WEDNESDAY
 TURKEY FRITTER
 MASHED POTATOES/GRAVY
 BUTTERED CORN
 HOT ROLLS/BUTTER
 PINTO BEANS
 CANNED PURPLE PLUMS
 MILK
THURSDAY
 HAMBURGER
 FRENCH FRIES
 LETTUCE/TOMATO
 PICKLE/ONION
 COOKIE
 MILK
FRIDAY
 NO SCHOOL

APRIL CALENDER OF EVENTS

To put dates on this calendar, please call the Spearman Reporter Phone 659-3434.

| SUNDAY | MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY | SATURDAY |
|---|--|--|--|---|--|--|
| 1 *All Fools' Day *U.S. Census Day *Attend the Church of your choice | 2 *Round-Up Committee Chamber office 7:30 p.m. *SHS Golf District-Boys & Girls *Rotary Meeting | 3 *Lions Club | 4 *SHS Tennis District meet At Spearman | 5 *C of C Exec. Board | 6 *SHS Track District Meet At Spearman *FFA Judging At South Plains College *Flame Fellowship 7:00 p.m. | 7 *GHS Track District At White Deer *FFA Area Texas Tech Judging *Jr. High Track District Meet *GHS Girls Golf At Amarillo |
| 8 *Attend the Church of your choice | 9 *Gruver Church of Christ Senior Banquet *SHS Golf District-Boys & Girls *Rotary Meeting | 10 *Runoff Election *Gruver HS/GT Parents 7:00 p.m. Library *Lions Club | 11 *WDSCC Exec. Board Chamber office-Noon GISD Board Meeting | 12 *School dismissed early C of C Board Kay's Cafe 7:30 a.m. *WDSCC Conference Meeting 5:00 p.m. Chamber office | 13 *Good Friday *No school Easter vacation *GISD School Holiday | 14 |
| 15 *Easter *Attend the Church of your choice | 16 *No school Easter vacation *Academic & One Act Play Regional *Oslo Lutheran Church Senior Banquet *Rotary Meeting | 17 *Dist. FFA Perryton 5:00 p.m. *Lion's Club | 18 *WDSCC Noon Home Demonstration Bldg. | 19 *FFA State Land Judging At Tarleton | 20 | 21 *FFA State Horse Judging at Lubbock *Moose Chili Cook-Off *SHS Track Regional Qualifiers |
| 22 *Attend the Church of your choice | 23 *Gruver Methodist Church Senior Banquet *GISD SRA Testing *Rotary Meeting | 24 *Dist. FFA at Canadian *Lion's Club | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 *SHS Track Regional Meet At Abilene *State Judging at A&M |
| 29 *Attend the Church of your choice | 30 *Rotary Meeting | | | | | |

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GHS Odyssey teams compete

As many of you know, this is the first year for GHS to be involved in the Odyssey of the Mind competition, and they have done very well. In the Geographic Odyssey, the team of P.D. Swink, Kyle Haenisch, Chris Kauffman, Jennifer Hart, Cody Barkley, Akiko Bort and Heath Gaines finished fourth at regional competition in Lubbock, against some stiff competition. In the Omnitronic Humor category, the team of Benny McClenagan, Jennifer Baker, Mariquit Viola, Marci Roberts and Clay Gillispie built a fantastic robot and performed a comedy skit, "Not Like Any Other Kid." They took second to Lamesa at the competition in Lubbock and earned the right to go on to state competition in Dallas. They will be leaving for Dallas with their director, Mrs. Pat Burnam, and sponsors on Friday, April 6. They will compete on Saturday, April 7. All of us wish them the best of luck.

Just a little more about this most difficult competition. The brightest students are urged to participate, and the object was to build a robot and also show it to have feelings - get excited, get angry, get sad, cry, etc.; and then to build a play around this robot. They have done an outstanding job! Good luck at Dallas!

Spearman Social Scene . . .



Mr. and Mrs. Omar Sutton of Spearman announce the engagement of their daughter, Kristi Dawn Wright, to Johnnie Williams, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Williams of Gruver. The bride-elect is a 1987 graduate of Spearman high school. In May she will receive an early childhood education degree from Texas Tech University. The prospective groom, a 1977 graduate of Gruver high school, is employed with the Texas Highway Department. The couple plans to wed July 21 at the First United Methodist Church in Spearman.

Among The Neighbors

by Helen Fisher

Ira and Loree Harbour were in Wellington several days last week getting acquainted with their latest grandson, Dalton Harbour, son of Ted and Debra Harbour.

Dalton, with his mother, sister Vada and brother Austin, spent their spring break with Debra's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Farris Wood.

They returned to their home in Rockwall on Friday.

Jean and Daniel Sheets returned Wednesday from several months at Mission, Texas where they spend most winters. The last weekend they were there, they enjoyed having their sons with them. Perry is from Houston and Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Sheets are from San Antonio.

Guests of Olive and Owen Pendergraft for a few days last week were friends, Mr. and Mrs. Emery Potter.

The Potters are members of the Wheat Belt Good Sam Camper group and were enroute to their home in Syracuse, Kan. They had wintered in the valley at Alamo.

Stuart Martin, 17 month old son of Julie and Scott Martin, is getting an early initiation into the risks of just plain walking. He stumbled in their home last Tuesday - not a bad or unusual fall - but fell over his tricycle in such a manner that a leg was broken, between the knee and ankle. He will be in a cast for several weeks and finding it difficult to understand just why.

Sada Ruth and Howard Long spent the weekend here with her mother, Mrs. Sada Hoskins, and visited other relatives. The Longs live in Bartlesville and went on to Friona.

Mrs. Reva Money of Austin left Saturday to return home after driving up with her parents, Lester and Ada McLain. They had wintered in Mission and are back here for the summer.

A good friend of Mission, Mrs. Nora Fochman, will be spending the summer here with the McLains.

The McLain family are delighted to have her and are confident the community will extend the usual warm welcome to her.

Darleta and Danny Ellis, accompanied by sons Daniel and Dustin, returned Sunday evening from a pleasant few days visiting his parents in Plainview. They also renewed ties at their colleges, Texas Tech and Lubbock Christian and toured the Plains Heritage Center at Lubbock.

Darleta and Danny are the house parents at the Spearman Children's Home. However Danny is employed part time at T.C.L. Compression Service.

There are six little boys at the home, so the addition of their two makes for a lot of activity - keeps the Ellises busy making sure all the live wires are grounded!

With all the meals, laundry, housekeeping and supervision,

Darleta is so pleased to have her able assistant, Nordene Cochran, who shares the Ellis devotion and concern for the boys.

The Church of Christ congregations, both here and in Gruver, also donate time and supplies to the home.

The boys are - Jo Bob Wrinkle, second grade, and in kindergarten are Tony Wrinkle and Tommy Jerman. Not old enough for school are Patrick Jerman and twins, Ray and Junior Mire.

Mrs. Freda Pearce of Durant, Okla. came Saturday and will spend several days here. She is visiting her mother, Mrs. Eva Adkison.

On March 23, the Hansford Manor had a party for the residents having birthdays in March. Those honored were Ida Christensen, Jeffie Gainey, Pearl Shapley, Albert Latham, Beuna Hays, Lee Glatfelder, Mary Johnson and Bertha Forester. Ida Christensen was the senior among them, reaching the age of 95.

To entertain them, Lesa Miesner sang a number of songs, including some gospel songs. Furnishing refreshments and serving were members of the Auxiliary - Adalyn Barnes, Jo Larson, Ora Lee Blackburn, Grace Johnson, Verna Maupin, Maylinn Ayres and Dorothy Lusby.

On March 19 Jody Harnish and Rhonda Gibson took a group in the van to Borger for an afternoon out.

On the 21st, the Women's Service of the Christian church spent the entire day at the Manor, getting all the mending done.

The Baptist Church of Gruver hosted a buffet for the residents, and on Tuesday the Rotary Club held the weekly bingo party.

So they have had a month of activities.

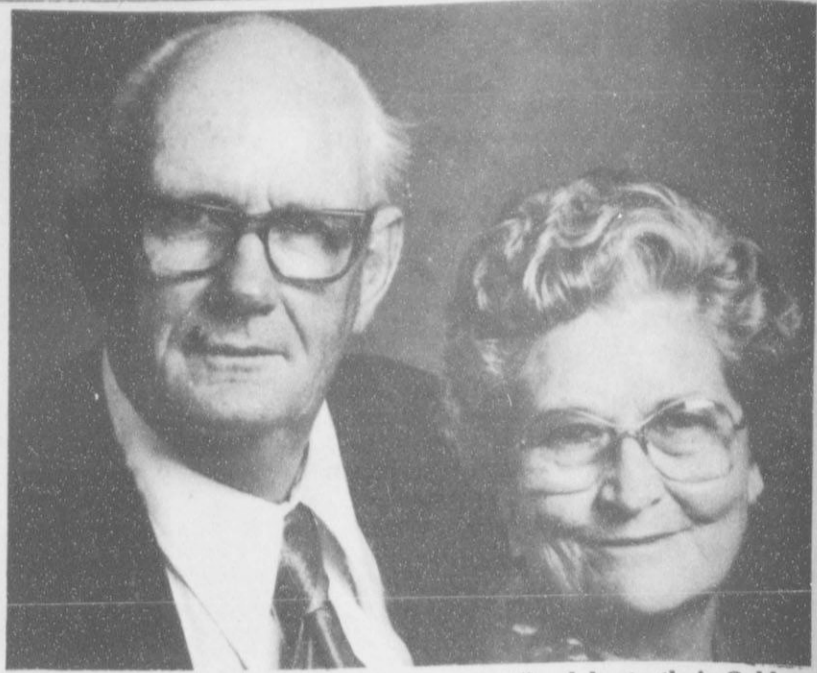
Nine month old Alek Mires came over on Tuesday to entertain his grandparents, Eulalie and Eschol Blankenship for a few days, and became the center of attention that was not anticipated. He tumbled down the stairs in his stroller and received a slight head injury which required overnight hospitalization. Fortunately by now he is completely recovered and is back with his parents in Amarillo, Allen and Mitzi Mires.

Wanda and Bob Burke returned Friday from Little Rock, Ark. where they had spent several days with her brother, who is seriously ill. Her sister and brother-in-law of Borger accompanied them.

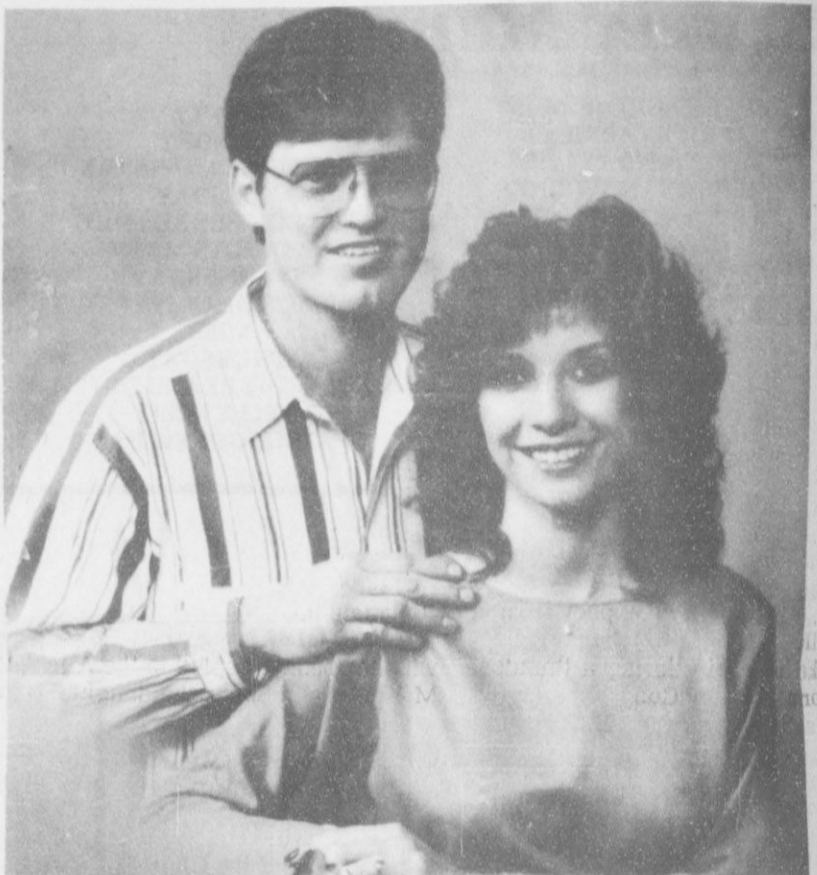
This past weekend their son Ronnie and Sallie with Joshua came over. They live in Darrou-zett.

Well, the mystery is solved - that of how Jean Ann Behney, a yankee from a big city in Indiana, could meld so quickly and thoroughly into rural Texas life that she is considered native.

Her parents, Bob and Bonnie Frazier, of Indianapolis are here visiting the Behneys. It is evident the affable, gracious parents have



Mr. and Mrs. E.W. Dunning of Waka will celebrate their Golden Wedding Anniversary at a reception Saturday, April 14 from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. at the Waka Church of the Brethren. Hosting the event are the couple's children and spouses, Bill and Bonita Jowell of Huntsville, Texas; James and Carol Dunning of Spearman; and John and Patty Braselton of McKinney, Texas. Friends and relatives are invited to attend. D.W. Dunning has lived on his family's farm two miles south of Waka all his life. Goldie Mae Dunning is also a lifelong Waka community resident. They were married April 13, 1940 at Liberal, Kan. The couple has nine grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.



Mr. and Mrs. William George Bolz Jr. of Amistad, N.M. announce the engagement of their daughter, Anna Marie, to Billy Brett Thoreson, son of Betty Mullins of Ozark, Ark. The couple plans to be wed April 28 at St. Joseph Church, Amarillo. The bride-elect received an associate degree in business administration from Amarillo College and plans to continue her education at West Texas State University. She is employed by St. Joseph Church. The prospective groom attends classes at Amarillo College. He is employed by Autocraft, Inc.

Club News

SPEARMAN BOOK CLUB

Several students from the junior high and high schools entertained members of the Spearman Book Club in the home of Mrs. Fred Hoskins at their regular meeting Tuesday, March 27.

Excerpts from three divisions of the Speech events to be presented at the U.I.L. contest in Panhandle March 30 and 31 were given by these students. They chose Poetry, Prose and Impromptu Speaking, giving each selection exactly as it was to be presented at the contest. The excellent manner in which the students performed showed the results of good training and hard work, commented Spearman Book Club members.

Those enjoying the meeting were guests Nikki Strawn, Matt Archer, Chris Strawn, Curtis Pearson, Kyla Nelson, Amber Cates, Mrs. Bill Strawn and members, Mesdames Bruce Sheets, E.J. Copeland, Frank Hefner, O.C. Holt, Joe Traylor, John Berry, Herb Kirk and the hostess, Mrs. Fred Hoskins.

TOPS

TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) met Thursday, March 29 with 10 people weighing in.

Claudine Clark was declared queen of the month for the most pounds lost, and also received a fruit basket for having the highest weekly loss.

The group received its Tops

Club Certificate, and members discussed the club handbook and decided on rules.

The group meets every Thursday from 6:30 to 7:30 at 720 S. Roland, in Dr. Viola's old office. Becky Myers is to have the program for the next meeting.

FLAME FELLOWSHIP

The regularly scheduled monthly meeting of Flame Fellowship will be Friday, April 6 at 7:00 p.m. Mrs. Bea Dunstan is the guest speaker for the evening. She is co-director of "Teen Challenge of Amarillo" with her husband Bob.

She moved to Texas in 1976, when she began work with programs for young boys, such as rescue mission work, christian retreat and the teen challenge work. The mother of three adopted children (two with "Youth With A Mission"), she also holds a B.S. degree in nursing from Syracuse University and a Master's in psychology from W.T.S.U. Dunstan says that she "lives by John 10:27."

Flame Fellowship members say that her message will be a true inspiration to all of those who attend.

Flame is an interdenominational organization and is open to all men and women of this area. The group meets at the Extension Homemakers building at 305 N. Bernice in Spearman the first Friday evening of every month. An invitation is extended to all residents of Hansford County and the surrounding area to attend the meetings.

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In honor of our parents' retirement from the Northwest Texas Conference of the United Methodist Church, the family of Wesley and Beth Daniel would like to invite all friends and loved ones to a reception on Sunday, May 6, 1990, 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m., Littlefield Methodist Church Fellowship Hall.

Mr. and Mrs. Castulo Rosales
request the honour of your presence
at the marriage of their daughter
Diana Rosales
to
Karl Joseph Bynum
the son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph P. Bynum
on Saturday, the seventh of April
nineteen hundred and ninety
at four o'clock in the afternoon
First Christian Church
29 South Bernice
Spearman, Texas
Reception following

A Centerpiece

by Ernestine Gray

It must be spring--why else would the fruit trees have been nipped just as suddenly as they blossomed? Another way we have of knowing it's spring is they tell us to move our clocks forward. Some of us may be just a little late getting to work Monday morning,

instilled the same traits in their daughter.

This is the Fraziers' second visit to Spearman and rural areas aren't completely new to Mrs. Frazier, as she grew up in a small town in South Dakota. He is a native Hoosier.

It is hoped the Fraziers will find enough of interest, in addition to grandchildren Allison, Monica and Nick, to return often.

give us a week or so and we'll adjust, I guess.

Wasn't the play "Quilters" entertaining? That was a very enjoyable evening. Spearman is fortunate to have had this presented in our town. The Center wants to again thank the First State Bank for underwriting the production, also Palo Duro Players for assisting in the many ways they served and for helping to make the reception a big success. It certainly takes everyone working together to make things go smoothly. The weather conditions on Saturday evening kept some home, but there was good attendance and the cast gave a super performance.

Now it's on to other projects. April 19 is the date for the Annual Radiothon, beginning about 9:00 a.m.

Paula tries to keep us busy on crafts each Thursday, and our quilters stay real busy on Monday afternoons, after a C.D. lunch at noon, so everyone needs some playing time on Tuesday evenings. How's this schedule? It's a full one, but don't we all do better when we're busy. We are each so glad we have a nice place to learn new things and enjoy each other in visiting and games too.

The first Thursday of each month we're having progressive pitch and 42 after a covered dish dinner, so come on down and join us anytime.

EASTER BAKE SALE

Sponsored by:
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Wednesday, April 11

8:00 a.m. - ???

Thriftyway Grocery

Featuring pies,
cakes, bread and
candy.



Gruver Social Scene . . .

On The Go With Joy

by Joy Henderson

Last week, I decided to clean out my recipe box and commit myself to transferring a favorite recipe from an old tattered newspaper to a nice fresh card and then file it. Then I would do one a day, and throw out duplicates, and get rid of all these magazines. So I got my box, stacked recipes from each magazine all in assorted piles and then I had one pile marked miscellaneous.

Guess what! M.H. decided I needed to go to the big city and get my license tags, which were due on Monday. That meant I had to leave my organized piles in the floor and scattered all over the walking areas (I left a path from my chair to the T.V.). I would stop at intervals for feeding our faces, wash a few dishes, crochet on my afghan, but then I would dig a little further and finally had every recipe organized. Then I went to bed, with plans for Saturday as being "clean up the mess."

But no such luck!! I had received a request for a chocolate cake for Saturday evening. Well, I wasn't happy with the results - so I made another one and now I have an extra cake to O.D. on and the mess is still in the floor.

On top of everything else there was the time change on Sunday and just because the time changed, that doesn't mean my clocks were changed. I realized this morning that the clock by the bed was set on 6:30 and the stove clock said 7:30 and the VCR was set on something else. Anyhow the time change affects my disposition and not for the better.

My other friend named Joy thinks daylight saving time was first suggested by Benjamin Franklin who thought it would be a good way to conserve candles. So, what can you expect from a fellow who didn't know enough to take his kite in during a thunderstorm? She said Congress adopted this Spring forward/Fall behind craziness in 1966, but I can remember this plan was used several years during WWII in the 40's. I was still in school (probably high school) and I can remember catching the bus at 8:00 a.m. and it was dark as the ace of spades.

The only way we could tell if the bus was close to my house was to look for the flashing red lights as it made a stop a couple of miles up the road. Then we watched red lights until the bus rounded a curve 1/4 mile away. Then my brother and I made a dash for the road to get there in time for the opening of the door.

Well, to make a short story long, back to the saving of time, I like the short mornings and long afternoons. I'm never ready to cook supper and I figure if I can postpone it an hour or two, that gives me more time to goof off before working. In the summer time, we wouldn't finish eating until 10:00 that night and that would be too late to start the dishes and now you know why I always have a mess.

However, I guess the biggest problem of DST is the fact that most of us have 10-20 clocks to change over and that can make

you even more confused. Moving them ahead one hour in April is no problem, but changing them backward is a no-no. So in October, we have to move them ahead 11 hours. But I'll tell you the "Rest of The Story" next October. Right now, I have to find the instruction book that came with the VCR so I can get it set on the correct time.

On the community scene we have lots going on especially with the schools. The Memory Mate pictures will be April 3 and also District Tennis at Dumas and on the 6-7 there will be District Track meet at White Deer for the JH, JV, and V.

Mrs. Kelley Shapley received a certificate of recognition from Region XVI Chapter 1 Reading accomplishment recently. The Gruver students involved in the program had significant gains in their reading during the past year.

Doug Gumfory, 6th grade, won the Gruver Geography Bee and has a chance to win a college scholarship. Thousands of schools participated by answering oral questions on geography and now their winners will take a written test. Other Gruver students involved were Daniel Bort, Kristin Evans, Andy Morris, Tucker Henson, Amber Murrell, Jason Ward, Sammy Renteria, Matthew Beasley, Wylee Maupin, and Keith Miller.

Several members of the One Act Play at GHS were chosen for awards. Those include Manda Winger, who placed on the All-Star Cast. Gretchen Lowder and Lacey Gresham received Honorable Mention for All-Star Cast.

On April 11, the second and third grades will attend a performance of the "Wizard of Oz" presented by a theater group from Philadelphia.

Congratulations to Dusty Cotter who has been accepted to the A & M Vet school. She is the daughter

of Donald and Doris Cotter.

Debbie Chisum is able to be at home for awhile before starting chemo-therapy.

Sylvia Duncan and Norma Swink made a quick trip to visit Karen Moore who had a mastectomy. Karen, who formerly lived southwest of Gruver, is "doing good" and at her home in Sunray.

Gary Doty is presently doing a little better after having a low point last week. He was not receiving therapy at Bivins as was previously reported, but as I understand it, he is doing some weight lifting, and is in N.W.T.H.

Lillian Murrell was finally able to come home, but now Buddy is scheduled for surgery.

The Methodist Church had a good turn-out for their "First Sunday" activities. First, they recognized members' birthdays for the month of April. There were 15 recognized. An offering was taken and put in a Birthday Cake bank and then will be sent to children of missionaries on their birthdays. Also UMC enjoyed their First Sunday catered dinner in which 136 showed up for the noon meal.

Members of "Rejoice," a music group from Wayland Baptist University tour throughout Texas, New Mexico and Colorado, and minister through music recreation and Bible Studies. One of the members is Gruver's own Brian McClenagan.

Velma Renner visited in the home of B.J. and Glenda Renner this past weekend.

Mildred Adams has returned from the Alaska area after attending the Iditerod Dog Races. Mildred is a former resident of Alaska.

Visitors in Bob and Connie Burgoon's home were Andrew and Amy Burgoon and their guest from W.T.U., Donnen Hicks. Donnen's home is Halbrook, Ariz.

Karlin heads up Bike-A-Thon

Dave Karlin of Gruver will coordinate this year's St. Jude Children's Research Hospital "Wheels For Life" Bike-A-Thon in Gruver.

The Bike-A-Thon is scheduled to begin at 4:00 p.m. on Friday, April 20. More information on the event is available by calling 733-2169 or 733-2081.

Founded by Danny Thomas in 1962, St. Jude Children's Research Hospital is the largest childhood cancer research-treatment-education center in America. St. Jude Hospital is non-sectarian, interracial and provides medical care for over 3,200 active patients. Currently, over

\$183,000 is needed each day to keep the doors open. These funds come primarily from public contributions.

The Bike-A-Thon program this year is dedicated to Ellen Marie Haynes. Five-year-old Ellen Marie, from Rossville, Ga., developed a malignant tumor in her abdomen in June 1986. After treatment at St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, which consisted of surgery, radiation and chemotherapy, Ellen Marie was taken off all therapy in January 1987. Although she isn't cured of her cancer yet, her prognosis is good.

A spokesperson for St. Jude Hospital said, "We are grateful

for the concern that Mr. Karlin has for our work and we hope the citizens of Gruver will support the Bike-A-Thon to help provide the funds that are needed to preserve the world's greatest asset - 'Our Children.'"

The Bike-A-Thon will begin at 4:00 p.m. in front of the Gruver Junior High School building. From the junior high, riders will travel west down Broadway to the vicinity of City Hall, then back east on Broadway, then south on Garrett, then winding through the school parking lot and back to the start. Participants can ride a maximum of 10 miles.

All interested persons are invited to participate or make donations to the cause.

Gruver 8th grade poet

A NICE GAME OF FOOTBALL

by Raul Villegos

Football is a rough sport
I think you have seen,
But come to one of my games
And you'll see what I mean.
When they snap the ball,
I bust through their wall
And try to run over the guy with the ball.
When I get pushed, shoved and thrashed all around,
They better be ready, cause on them I will pound.
But sometimes I fail
I think you have seen,
When I am not careful,
They smash my bean!
When I get up in a painful way,
Coach looks at me and starts to say
That he won't let me rest
Until I get revenge - my very best!
So I turn around and I'm on my way
And I look at him in an angry way.



Club News

GRUVER MUSIC CLUB

The Gruver Music Club, a member of the State and National Federation of Music Clubs, met March 27 in the Gruver High School auditorium to hear a program performed by the Gruver band under the direction of Todd Parker.

The sixth grade band performed two numbers, the seventh grade band performed two numbers, and the high school band performed three numbers.

Frances Murrell presided over the business meeting. Refreshments were served in the Methodist fellowship hall. Hostesses were Rita Williams and Marlene Winger.

Eighth graders write poetry

THE CAT WITH THE HAT

by Junior Rivera

There was a cat,
That had a hat,
And when he sang
It made a bang.
When he is in a jam so tight,
He likes to make an alley fight,
But when he thinks he is so cool,
The others say - go to school.
But when he tries to talk so low,
The other cats call their bros,
And when the gangs are in the alley,
They all start a major rally!
But when the fight is nearly gone,
The cat with the hat rings the gong!
It's over!



The majority of cats weigh between seven and twelve pounds.

MY ROOM

by Rosa Gonzales

My room is such a mess,
But that's the way I like it.
Weird am I, I do so guess-
But comfortable I do find it.
That is where, I respite
On my bed so cozy soft.
To keep it clean, I have the right;
When I think of that, I cough!
My room is so valid-
It's like a sister to me.
I am being so candid,
But I'm sure you do see-
What I'm trying to say-
I love my room in every way!

Cha-Lor's Bridal Gift Registry

| Shower Date | Wedding Date |
|----------------------------------|--------------|
| Teresa Findell & Michael Dodson | April 14 |
| Jill McLain & Dusty Hodge | June 2 |
| Kristi Wright & Johnnie Williams | July 21 |
| Kerri Hart & Todd Guthrie | June 9 |
| Rhonda Mathews & Ronnie Williams | Aug. 4 |
| Stacey Cook & Tom Define | Aug. 10 |

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Public Notice

Southwestern Bell Telephone Company intends to file an application with the Texas Public Utility Commission to introduce new optional services - Call Control Options. The initial service areas will be Laredo, McAllen and Austin. Expansion into other service areas will be based on availability. Customers in other areas will be notified when these services become available.

Call Control Options include six new services - Call Blocker, Call Cue, Call Return, Priority Call, Call Trace and Selective Call Forwarding. The features will be available to single-line residence and business customers.

Call Blocker - enables the customer to block incoming calls from a maximum of three specified telephone numbers and/or to block the last incoming call.

Call Cue - enables the customer to automatically redial the last outgoing telephone number dialed. If the recalled number is busy, equipment will monitor the line for a maximum of 30 minutes and will let the customer know when the call can go through.

Call Return - enables the customer to automatically redial the telephone number of the most recent incoming call. If the number is busy, Call Return will continue to dial the number for up to 30 minutes, or until it completes the call.

Priority Call - provides the customer with a distinctive alerting signal, ring or Call Waiting Tone (if the customer has subscribed to Call Waiting), when the customer is called from a maximum of three preselected telephone numbers.

Call Trace - enables the customer to initiate a trace of the last incoming call received. The number, date and time will be recorded by Southwestern Bell Telephone so that the call's origin can be identified.

Selective Call Forwarding - enables the customer to forward incoming calls from specified telephone numbers (maximum of three) to another telephone number.

Proposed Rates (monthly)

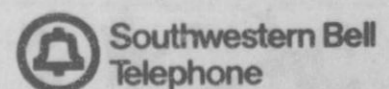
| | Residence | | Business | |
|---------------------------|------------|----------|------------|----------|
| | Individual | Packaged | Individual | Packaged |
| Call Blocker | \$3.00 | 3.00 | \$3.00 | 2.00 |
| Call Return | 3.00 | 3.00 | 4.00 | 3.50 |
| Priority Call | 2.50 | 1.00 | 3.00 | 2.00 |
| Call Cue | 2.00 | 2.00 | 4.00 | 3.50 |
| Selective Call Forwarding | 2.00 | 1.00 | 2.65 | 1.00 |
| Call Trace** | 1.00 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 1.00 |

Installation charges for residence customers will be \$2.70 per feature, with a maximum installation charge of \$5.40 per request per line. Installation charges for business customers will be \$5.40 per feature, with a maximum installation charge of \$10.75 per request per line.

The proposed date for Call Control Options to be offered is May 1, 1990. These services, however, will not immediately be available to all customers in all areas of the state. Customers in other areas will be notified when these services become available.

Call Control Options are projected to generate first-year annual revenues of \$1,761,000.

Persons who wish to comment on this application should notify the commission by April 20, 1990. Requests for further information should be mailed to the Public Utility Commission of Texas, 7800 Shoal Creek Boulevard, Suite 400N, Austin, Texas 78757, or you may call the Public Utility Commission Public Information Office at (512) 458-0223 or (512) 458-0227 or (512) 458-0221 teletypewriter for the deaf.



*Some telephone equipment may not be compatible with Priority Call Service.
**In addition to the \$1.00 monthly rate, Call Trace will cost \$8.00 per use.

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- * Concession stand

Gruver Sports Scene...

Boone wins district, goes to regionals

by Bob Bort

Kim Boone has won the District 1-A golf championship in the individual medalist competition, and will advance to regional competition in Sundown on April 24-25.

Meanwhile, the Gruver boys finished second as a team in district competition at Borger, and will advance to regionals at Levelland on April 24-25. Congratulations to team members Kyle Irwin, Chad Brown, Stefan Dorman, Justin Armes and Kevin Babbs.

In high school golf results, Kim Boone, Gruver's lady competitor, has done an outstanding job this season. At Shamrock Country Club Tuesday, March 27, she placed second in the Medalist competition and first in singles, with her super round of 87. Boone

also did a splendid job as Gruver's competitor at Booker earlier in March.

In boys competition, at the Amarillo Relays in Division II at Tascosa Country Club Friday, March 30, the team was ranked eighth with a score of 396. Canyon was ranked number one, with a score of 323. Looking at individual scores for Friday, Kyle Irwin had a 91, Justin Armes a 99, Stefan Dorman a 104, Chad Brown a 102, and Kevin Babbs a 115.

Here are the individual results for Saturday, March 31, and the final two-day totals: Chad Brown - 91, Stefan Dorman - 96, Justin Armes - 96, Kyle Irwin - 97, Kevin Babbs - 124. Overall, on Saturday Gruver scored 380, beating their first day results by 16 strokes, and they finished tied for seventh with Vega in the Consolation Division.

GJHS girls take first at Miami

by Bob Bort

A combined group of 7th and 8th graders competed for Gruver Junior High School at Miami this past weekend and garnered first place overall, with 111 points. Here are the individual results:

In the 2400 meter run, Janyth Hart took fifth place at 10:50; Tammie Stevens took eighth place at 11:22; and Melissa Stewart took ninth place at 11:32. The 400 meter (sprint) relay team of Wendy Rodriguez, Gina Hoel, Anissa Ryan and Wynn Maupin finished second with a time of 55.9 seconds. And in the 400 meter dash, Julie Meyer took second place with a time of 68.5 seconds.

In the 200 meter hurdles Mika McLain took third with a time of 34.9 seconds. The 1200 meter run

saw Tisha Ralston finish sixth at 4:44. And in the 800 meter relay the team of Rodriguez, Hoel, Kim Venneman and Maupin took first place honors with a time of 2:01. The 1600 meter (mile) relay also competed, and the team of Venneman, Hoel, Meyer and Maupin also took first place honors with a time of 4:32.

In the field events, looking first at the triple jump competition, Maupin jumped 33'6 1/2" for first place. Meyer took fourth place with a jump of 29'2 1/4". In the long jump, Rodriguez jumped for a distance of 14'1", good for fourth place. And in the high jump competition, McLain took first place honors with a leap of 4'10", and Maupin and Hoel tied for third place with a jump of 4'6".

Little Dribblers

Here are the standings of the Gruver Little Dribblers basketball leagues, with one week to go. As of now, it doesn't look like there will be a tournament at the end of the season (Thursday, April 5), so the final standings will determine the champions.

JUNIOR GIRLS

1. #1-Kirby (7-0)
2. #2 - Roberts (4-2)
3. #4 - Flowers (2-4)
4. #3 - Dahl (2-5)
5. #5 - Morse (1-5)

JUNIOR BOYS

1. #1 - Yanke/Grotegut (5-0)
2. #3 - Banks (3-2)
3. #2 - McLain (2-3)
4. #4 - Morse (0-5)

SENIOR GIRLS

1. #1 - Cluck (3-2)
2. #2 - Boone (3-2)
3. #3 - McLain (2-3)
4. #4 - McCloy (2-3)

SENIOR BOYS

1. #2 - Henson (5-1)
4. #4 - Morse, 1 (5-1)
3. #1 - Winger (4-3)
4. #3 - Barkley (2-5)
5. #5 - Morse, 2 (0-6)



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For The Short Of It

by Bob Bort

As my loyal Gruver readers know, this column deals mainly with sports on the high school, collegiate and national levels. But I do get carried away on occasion and write about competitions of all sorts, including political races. It is best described as a "current events" column. You never can tell what can pop up from my pen. I am a fanatical Gruver Greyhound fan, as I graduated from GHS in 1967, but I am thrilled to know that the good people all over Hansford County are now reading my column and articles, including those in Spearman and elsewhere in this great county. I hope everyone will appreciate our effort to bring the people of this county closer together with the new county-wide newspaper. The change can only do good.

Look for the Kansas City Royals to be the most improved team in baseball, and they will win the AL West, nosing out the Oakland Athletics. Pitching is the name of the game, and Kansas City has the pitching, with two Cy Young Award winners. For you Texas Rangers fans, Nolan Ryan will have another outstanding year, but the Rangers will finish no higher than fourth.

In the AL East, don't look for the New York Yankees anywhere near the top this year. This former dynasty will continue to be way down from where they were in the '50s and '60s, and late '70s. Instead, look for the Toronto Blue Jays to excel once again, and win the AL East. The Milwaukee Brewers will be the most improved team in this division; the Boston Red Sox will fade and fold.

In the AL Championship Series, it will be the Royals over the Blue Jays 4 games to 2, and Kansas City will win a trip to the World Series.

I like the New York Mets in the NL East, but look out for the Chicago Cubs and the St. Louis Cardinals. I just don't think the Cubs and Cardinals have the depth of pitching that the Mets do, but it was the same last year, and the Cubs won the division. It will take another miracle year for the Cubs to repeat.

The NL West is the division wherein my favorite team dwells - the San Francisco Giants. But even as their most loyal fan, I have to admit that they just don't have the pitching this year to repeat as champions. The Los Angeles Dodgers are improved with two outfield acquisitions, and they have the best pitching in the division, but they will still lose the 1-0 and 2-1 games. The Houston Astros have fine pitching and a good, young ball club. But I am calling for an upset in a division where anyone but the Braves can win. No, not the San Diego Padres, who acquired some power in the off season and also have good pitching. Yes, the Cincinnati Reds, without Pete Rose and his problems. Look for things to really click for the Reds this year, in the

closest divisional race in baseball, as it will involve five teams competing for first place. But I say the Reds will come out with first place.

Cincinnati will upset the New York Mets 4 games to 3 in the NL Championship Series. In the World Series, it will be Kansas City over Cincinnati 4 games to 2.

Go to the bank with it (no, maybe you'd better not...)

It's nice when a sports writer correctly forecasts the outcome of sporting events, but so much of that is based on luck. In any case, as I forecast last week, it will be Duke and Nevada-Las Vegas in the NCAA basketball finals this Monday night, after their victories on Saturday night. But if UNLV is to beat Duke by 26 points, as I forecast, they will have to play better offensively than they did in the semi-finals against Georgia Tech - a game in which they won 90-81. Duke broke open a close game late, to beat Arkansas 97-83. We will see how I did in the championship game later in this column.

As for the ladies, in the NCAA Women's basketball Final Four, Stanford disposed of Virginia, as I forecast, 75-66; but Louisiana Tech, unbeaten and ranked number one, was upset by Auburn 81-69, as I did not forecast. I had called for Stanford to beat the Lady Techsters in the championship game in the upset, 65-64.

Gruver has some outstanding track teams this year in both high school and junior high, and they should all do well at the district level later this week. It will be nice following them down state this year...

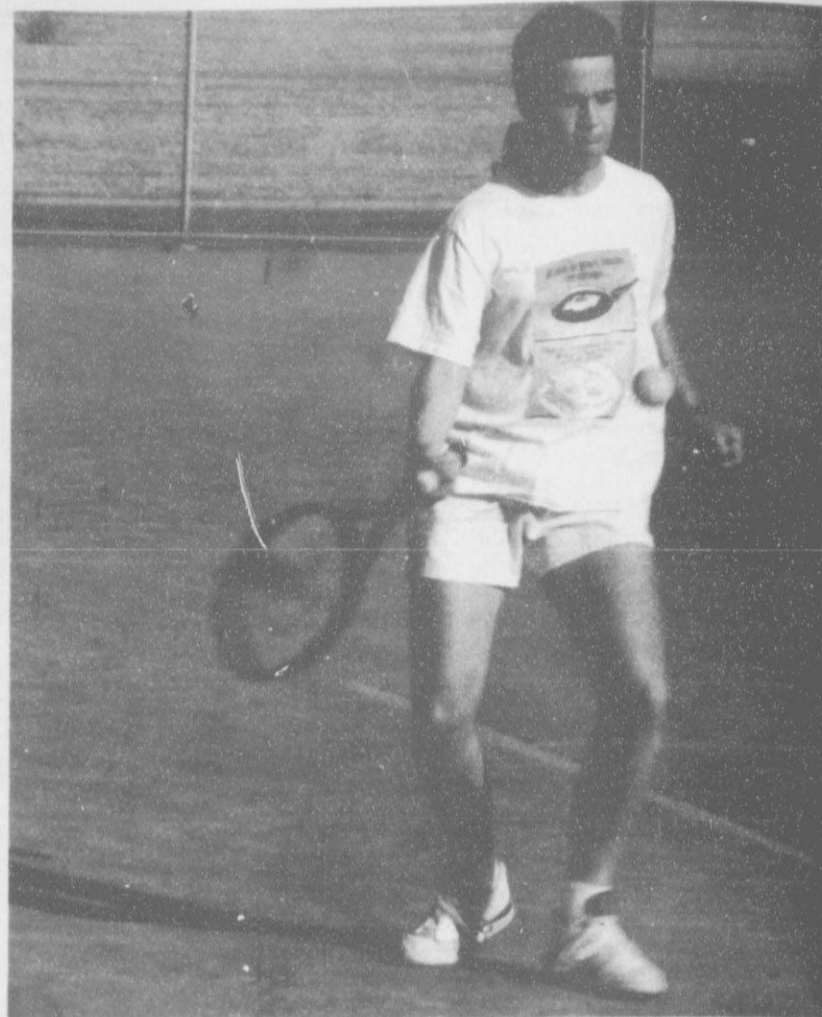
Just to change the tempo a bit, I am predicting that Attorney General Jim Mattox will outdistance State Treasurer Ann Richards in the Democratic runoff for Governor of Texas on April 10. Richards once led by a wide margin over all the Democratic contenders but she has lost substantial ground due to the debate over her use of illegal drugs, and her refusal to confront the issue. In my opinion, she has forfeited what once looked to be a sure victory for her. Such are the trappings of dirty politics.

It is far too early to predict a winner in November's election - Clayton Williams, even with his wide support, is not immune to making mistakes, as was evidenced last week. My one prediction is that this year's race, both in the primaries and in November, will be so dirty that it will give Texas a bad name all over the country... In fact, it has already.

One more bit about the upcoming election... If you don't vote, you have no gripe about who wins...

Well, the Stanford Cardinal has indeed made me look good, by

See Short page 12



Matthew Hoel took second place in zone competition, advancing to the District meet in Borger April 5.

Zone tennis meet held in Gruver

by Bob Bort

Jennifer Terry and Matthew Hoel each advanced to the championship match of the 1-A Zone Tennis Meet April 2 in Gruver. Although both finished second, they both earned a trip to Borger on April 5 for the District 1-A Tennis Meet.

There were no seedings but Terry, a junior, and Hoel, a sophomore, both surprised with their performances. The other two Gruver singles competitors were Sharlet Slough, a freshman, and Clay Gillispie, a sophomore; so it looks as though Gruver will have fine tennis for years to come.

In first round action Slough played a game, but losing effort against Howdi Cotham of Lefors. Cotham won 6-3, 6-1. In other first round action, Gillispie disposed of Jason Irons of Claude in straight sets, 6-0, 6-3, and earned a trip into the quarterfinals. There, Gillispie was finally defeated by Mike Conrad of Groom (the eventual champion), 6-0, 6-0.

Terry received a bye in the first round and then won her quarterfinal match over Starla Gilbreath of Lefors 6-1, f. Gilbreath became ill and had to default in the second set. Terry then defeated Tara Cox of White Deer in the semifinals, 6-1, 6-2. That set up the championship match between Terry and Shannon Fields of Groom. On a day which began at 9:00 a.m., this championship match would not end until well after 8:00 p.m., and both competitors were tired. Jennifer just ran out of steam in the final two sets against Fields.

Terry won the opening set 7-5,

but Fields eventually won the match 5-7, 6-4, 6-2. As I said, both competitors were tired at the conclusion.

For Hoel, the path was no less tough than for Terry. He also received a bye in the first round and then defeated Chris Estes of White Deer in straight love sets, 6-0, 6-0. But in the semifinals against Jeff Fields of Groom, Hoel really looked to have met his match. He lost the first set 1-6, and then trailed in the second set 0-4. Then came a truly outstanding comeback.

Hoel finally won his semifinal match 1-6, 7-5, 6-2, and it had just taken him a long while to get used to the left-handed spinning shots of Fields.

That set up the championship match between Hoel and another Groom schoolboy, Mike Conrad. (Groom had some truly outstanding talent in tennis at this meet.) Conrad won the match in straight sets 6-1, 6-4, but Hoel put up a good fight in the second set. Both Conrad and Hoel will advance to the District 1-A meet.

In boys doubles competition, Robert Miller/Jay Britten of Groom defeated Brian Baker/Bruce Britten of Groom, 6-4, 6-2 in the finals. In girls doubles competition, Jennifer Moore/Shellie Lake of Lefors were beaten by Carrie Watson/Kellie Lake of Lefors, 6-2, 6-2. The two Lake girls are identical twins, competing against each other. Gruver did not have any teams entered in doubles competition.

Congratulations to all four Gruver singles competitors!

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Ray Phelps
SCOPE AA
Dan Carthel
SCOPE AAA
Max Taylor
OPEN SIGHT AAA
Dan Carthel

District track meet hosted by Spearman

The 1990 district 1-AA track meet will get underway Friday afternoon at the SHS stadium track.

The high school running preliminaries and junior high field events will start at 3:30 p.m. The meet will continue through Saturday with the junior high running preliminaries and high school field events starting at 9:00 a.m.

The district running finals are scheduled to start at 1:30 p.m. Saturday.

Following is a schedule of events from the director of the meet.

FRIDAY, APRIL 6 - 2:30 VARSITY RUNNING PRELIMINARIES

2:30 - Varsity B&G Triple Jump
3:30 - 100 M Low Hurdles - VG
3:45 - 110 M High Hurdles - JVB, VB
4:00 - 100 M Dash - JVB, VG, VB
4:15 - 400 M Dash - JVB, VG, VB
4:35 - 300 M Low Hurdles - VG
4:50 - 300 M Int. Hurdles - JVB, VB
5:10 - 200 M Dash - JVB, VG, VB
5:30 - 3200 M Run (FINALS) - JVB, VG, VB

JUNIOR HIGH FIELD EVENTS

3:30 - 7th Girls - Discus,
8th Girls: Shot,
7th Boys: Discus and Pole Vault,
8th Boys: Shot
4:30 - 7th Girls: Shot,
8th Girls: Discus,
7th Boys: Shot,
8th Boys:
Discus and Pole Vault
5:30 - 8th Girls: Triple Jump,
8th Boys: Triple Jump

SATURDAY, APRIL 7 JUNIOR HIGH PRELIMINARIES

9:00 - 100 M Low Hurdles - 7&8
9:00 110 M Int. Hurdles - 7 & 8
9:30 - 100 M Dash - All
9:50 - 400 M Dash - All
10:20 - 200 M Low Hurdles - All
11:05 - 200 M Dash - All
JUNIOR VARSITY AND VARSITY FIELD EVENTS

9:00 - VB Pole Vault, VB Shot Put, VB High Jump, VG Discus, 7th Boys Triple Jump, 7th Girls Triple Jump,
10:00 - VG Long Jump, VB Discus, JVB Shot Put, JVB High Jump, JVB Long Jump,
11:00 - VG High Jump, VB Long Jump, JVB Pole Vault, JVB Discus, JVB Triple Jump, VG Shot Put.

Competitors will get four attempts in the shot put, Discus, Long Jump and Triple Jump. There will be no finals.

SATURDAY, APRIL 7 FINALS

1:30-2:00 - 400 M Relay - All
2:00-2:15 - 800 M Run - All
2:15-2:45 - 100 M Low Hurdles - 7th, 8th, Var. Girls
2:15-2:45 - 110 M Int. Hurdles - 7th, 8th Boys
2:15-2:45 - 110 M High Hurdles - J.V. Var. Boys
2:45-3:00 - 100 M Dash - All
3:00-3:20 - 800 M Relay - 7th, 8th, Var. Girls
3:20-3:40 - 400 M Dash - All
3:40-4:10 - 200 M Low Hurdles - All
3:40-4:10 - 300 M Low Hurdles - Var. Girls
3:40-4:10 - 300 M Int. Hurdles - J.V. & Var.
4:10-4:25 - 200 M Dash - All
4:25-4:55 - 1200 M Run - All
4:55-5:25 - 1600 M Run - All
5:25-5:45 - 1600 M Relay - All

NOTICE: Competitors will run in this order: 7th girls, 7th boys, 8th girls, 8th boys, JV boys, Varsity girls, Varsity boys. (The exception to this will be the 400 meter dash - boys will run first and the hurdles (girls will all run first in the 100 meter hurdles followed by all boys in the 110 meter hurdles. All junior highs will run the 200 meter hurdles first followed by the varsity girls, then the JV and varsity boys.

Varsity medals will be presented on the field following each running event. Field event medals will be presented at 1:00 Saturday before the finals.



Competing in the District 1-AA tennis tournament are [l-r] the doubles team of Russell Shaver and Mike Hager, and doubles team Kimbre Townsen and Shea Crawford.



Singles finalists in the District 1-AA tennis tournament are [l-r] Brandi Schneider and Adrian Blackburn.

Family Vacations: What To Look For

Whether you're looking for a place to spend a family vacation, or are traveling with children on business, or both, finding the perfect destination isn't hard if you know what to look for. Among the first things you should check out is if there is supervised play for the children and first-class golf, tennis and beach activities for adults.



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SANFORD-FRITCH RELAYS VARSITY LYNX

100 M Dash
Chris Williamson, 1st - 11.22
200 M Dash
Mark Brown, 5th - 24.6
800 M Dash
Cody Pipkin, 6th-2:11.9
400 M Dash
Tim Dooley, 5th - 53.79
1600 M Run
Cody Pipkin, 6th - 5:17.9
3200 M Run
Ruben Rojas, 6th - 11:57
400 M Relay
Chris Williamson, Tim Dooley, Mark Brown and Alan Howell, 5th - 46.24

1600 M Relay
Chris Williamson, Tim Dooley, Arto Kunnola and Brian Beck, 5th - 3:35.6

Discus
John Hughes, 2nd - 153'9"
High Jump
Cody Pipkin, 5th - 5'8"

SANFORD-FRITCH RELAYS VARSITY LYNXETTES

100 M Hurdles
Joy Gafford, 3rd - 16.50
Jill Lusby, 5th - 16.57
400 M Dash
Laci Lasater, 2nd - 62.84
Sonya Nitschke, 3rd - 63.61
Shannon Holton, 5th - 64.37
200 M Dash
Michelle Garnett - 29.24
Shannon Holton - 29.01
Suzanne Sanders - 28.71

HIGH JUMP
Jill Lusby, 2nd - 5'0"

Suzanne Sanders, 3rd - 4'10"
Joy Gafford - 4'8"
Triple Jump
Michelle Garnett - 30'3"
Carla Greene - 29'7"
100 M Dash
Michelle Garnett, 5th - 13.29
Bonnie Thompson - 13.7
Carla Greene - 14.14
300 M Hurdles
Joy Gafford, 1st - 48.43
Jill Lusby, 3rd - 49.5
Mendy Lasater, 4th - 49.7
800 M Run
Mary Cook, 2nd - 2:35
Suzanne Sanders, 5th - 2:42
Melody Schumann - 2:54

Long Jump
Bonnie Thompson - 14'5"
Holly Jarvis - 14'4"
Carla Greene - 13'7"

Shot Put
Sonya Tindell - 23'

Discus
Sonya Tindell - 72'

4 x 100 Relay
Mendy Lasater, Holly Jarvis, Bonnie Thompson, Carla Greene - 53.35

4 x 200 Relay
Mendy Lasater, Carla Greene, Suzanne Sanders, Michelle Garnett, 5th - 1:53.2

4 x 400 Relay
Jill Lusby, Joy Gafford, Sonya Nitschke, Laci Lasater - 4:12.7

3200 M Run
Haley Shieldknight - 13:24

1600 M Run
Haley Shieldknight - 6:08.7
Donetta Cates - 7:05



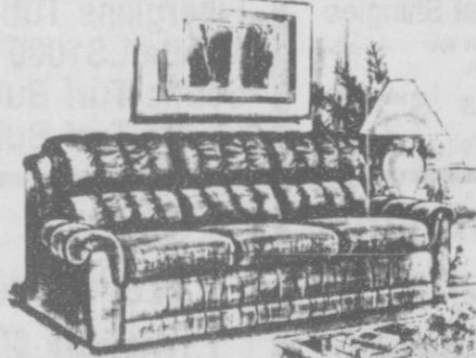
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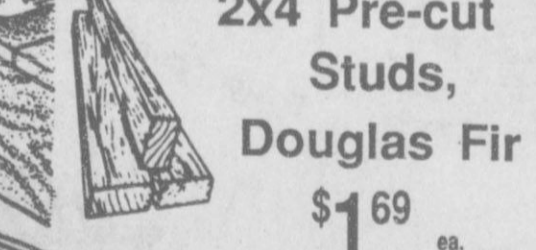
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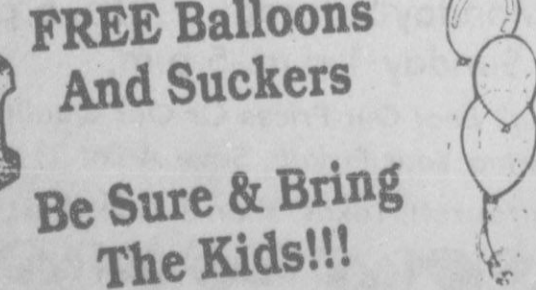


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Spiritually Speaking

"What shall I give up for 40 days?" That is the struggle of the Season of Lent. We give up something like sugar, tobacco, caffeine, or whatever other vice we feel we can do without for 40 days. And when Lent is over, it is back to normal; using whatever we gave up for 40 days and glad that there are 320-plus days until the next Season of Lent.

The Season of Lent is a 40 day devotional and spiritual preparation for Easter based on Jesus' wilderness fast (Mark 1:13). The "giving up" of Lent has two purposes. First, we devotionally give up whatever is keeping us from being more Christ-like. And secondly, we become spiritually prepared for the celebration of the empty tomb.

The results of "giving up" are amazing when approached from this inward spirit and mind-set. And we should pray: "God, prepare me to celebrate the resurrection and make me more like Jesus Christ, by the power of the Holy Spirit. Amen." We just may discover that whatever we gave up for Lent, we no longer need or want in our lives.

Here are some Safety Tips for

Easter. Don't travel in an auto - 20% of all fatal accidents occur in an automobile. Don't stay at home - 17% of all fatal accidents occur in your own home. Don't travel by air, rail or water - 16% of all fatal accidents occur while traveling by air, rail or water. Don't walk down the street - 15% of all fatal accidents occur while walking down the street. But DO go to Church - only 0.001% of all fatal accidents occur at Church.

Now that I have your attention; go to Church somewhere - anywhere this Easter. Start on Palm Sunday (April 8) and go again Easter Sunday (April 15) - two Sundays in a row just might cause a habit to start. Spearman has a dozen or more churches of a variety of flavors.

These churches are good places with good people involved. Spearman is blessed with committed leadership in these churches - become a part of the joy and celebration. Remember, Jesus Christ came and died and rose to save ALL people from ALL sins - be a part of salvation.

A Pastor and your friend
Sam Steele



by Roy Harris
Superintendent
Pringle-Morse CISD

Back To Small Town Traditions

LIVING IN MORSE

Some fifteen years ago our family moved to a small settlement in the southwest corner of Hansford County - Morse, Texas. Our family consisted of my wife Rhema Dell, our seven year old daughter ShaLynna, and three year old son Gannon. ShaLynna will graduate from Baylor University this spring, and Gannon will graduate from Gruver High School. It has been an interesting adventure.

Thinking back over the years, many unique experiences come to mind. The superintendent's job calls for expertise in a lot of areas for which I have no formal training. For instance, one day the custodian came into the office, said the drain from the kitchen was stopped up, and the cooks could not wash noon dishes. The nearest plumber was twenty-five miles away and he could not get to us until the next week. There was nothing to do but get into my coveralls and help the custodian find the problem. We wound up digging out a grease trap and replacing it.

One of the items on my job description is Notary Public duty. I have notarized car titles, oil leases, divorce agreements, rodeo entries, and all kinds of court documents. A well known map company asked me to help chart the town and surrounding area.

When I first came to Morse, I was also the tax assessor-collector and bookkeeper for the district. As tax laws became more complicated, tax duties were moved to the Hansford County Tax Appraisal District. Bookkeeping became more complex and was turned over to a secretary and an IBM computer.

One of the funniest assignments

was building a backstop for the school baseball field. The school board and I decided that the kids needed a baseball field and that we could build it cheaper than having it done (famous last words). We designed a backstop to be built with used pipe and chain link fence.

One Saturday morning all of us met on the proposed site. We professionally staked out the location of each hole where uprights were to be placed. One of the members, Tom Dortch, drove up on an old John Deere tractor. Attached to the power take-off was an auger device for digging post holes. He proceeded to line up over the stakes and dig the holes. The excitement started while digging the last hole. As the auger neared the depth needed for the hole, a sudden rush of gas blew dirt and rock upward out of the hole, covering all of us. Tom quickly jerked the auger out of the ground. We had just punched a big hole in the town's gas main.

The board members gathered around the spewing geyser to discuss what had happened. One of the members, David Reid, leaned on his shovel handle, looked at me and asked, "Well, what do ya' want to do?" We all knew that the man who owned the gas company lived in Amarillo, eighty miles away. I had never had a college course in "gas leak plugging."

I finally said, rather shakily, "I guess, dig down, find the leak, and patch it." David looked at his watch, spit out a slug of tobacco, and said, "Ah, it's time fer lunch. Let's go eat first then come back and fix it." So, while the gas blew dirt and rock out of the hole, we left for lunch.

After lunch, we returned, went to the main cutoff for the town, and turned the gas off. I don't know why we didn't do that before lunch, we just didn't. After repairing the leak, we realized that if we turned the gas back on without warning everyone in town, there might be several explosions. So we had to go to every house in town and help relight water heaters and pilot lights.

If you ever come to Morse to play baseball, don't hang around the northwest corner of the backstop. You could wind up with natural gas whistling up your shorts.

IN APPRECIATION

Thanks so much for the food, flowers, visits and words of sympathy. Words cannot express our feeling of comfort given by your acts of kindness shown upon the death of our Mother, Lilly Mae Newingham Shaull.

God bless you all.

Goldie Mae Dunnihoo
Lilly Ellen Hines
Marie Coates
and Billy Newingham

THANK YOU

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the volunteers that helped with this year's basketball program. Their hard work and dedication is what makes our programs such a success.

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by Karen Babitzke

Karen's Kozy Korner

COFFEE: WITH OR WITHOUT CAFFEINE?

Pharmacologists classify caffeine as a mild stimulant to the central nervous system and consider it one of the world's most widely used drugs. Caffeine, classified in a group of chemicals Generally Recognized as Safe (GRAS), was reviewed in 1978 and the safety of caffeine for human consumption was reaffirmed.

Today, however, public concern continues over the safety of caffeine and its possible negative effects. Extensive research on the relationship between caffeine and human disease indicates these results:

Coffee, both regular and decaffeinated, has been shown to stimulate the gastric mucosa and increase secretions of stomach acid, exacerbating existing ulcers.

The 1978 review of caffeine based on available data from long-term animal studies revealed no evidence that caffeine was carcinogenic.

The data on the relationship between caffeine and fibrocystic breast disease is inconclusive, with some studies suggesting a minor relationship between caffeine consumption and palpable breast findings and others suggesting no relationship at all.

There is no evidence to prove that moderate caffeine consumption by pregnant women causes birth defects.

Recently, Dutch researchers concluded that the consumption of boiled coffee raised serum cholesterol levels by 10 percent. On the other hand, drinking filtered coffee did not affect serum lipid levels.

This is actually good news since 75 percent of all American coffee drinkers drink their coffee drip-filtered. The researchers speculate that the differences may exist because the boiled coffee is in contact with the grounds longer and at a higher temperature than drip-filtered coffee.

Decaffeinated coffee has also been tested. Dr. Robert Superko of Stanford University found that

men who switched to decaffeinated coffee showed a 7 percent increase in their LDL cholesterol, which could increase the risk of heart attack by an estimated 12 percent. Superko suggests that this is true because stronger, more robust beans are used for decaffeinated coffees.

More research is needed to determine which of the 500 chemical components in the beans might be responsible.

It is important to remember that caffeine has a long history of safe use by humans. So far, scientific studies do not indicate that people will suffer any harm from drinking available caffeine-containing beverages in moderation.

TAX DEDUCTIONS FOR DEPENDENT CARE

Taxpayers who wish to claim tax credits for dependent care must furnish the name, address, taxpayer identification number (social security number or employer identification number) of the provider and the amount paid in dependent care. Last year (1989) was the first time such information was required. Form W-10, Dependent Care Provider's Identification and Certification, can be used to get the correct information from the care provider. A record of this form must be kept in your files. If the information was requested, but the care provider did not comply, keep records to show that he/she exercised due diligence in attempting to provide the required information.

HIGH HEELS CAN BE DANGEROUS

Any shoe with a heel higher than one inch is detrimental to the health of your feet, ankles, calves, knees and back, with more harm occurring with increased heel height. Problems begin when there is a lack of space in the toe areas which squeeze the foot and may lead to corns, bunions, and ingrown toenails. Secondly, high heels shift your body's weight to the forefoot, which places undue stress on the metatarsal heads (where the toes and foot connect). This leaves a small surface of approximately 1 by 3 inches to support the entire weight of the body.

Other problems include an increased impact at heel strike which may lead to various foot, ankle, knee and back injuries. Also, high heels decrease walking stability and thereby, increase the risk of an ankle sprain as well. High heeled shoes also force the calf muscles and Achilles tendons to shorten. Shortened muscles and tendons predispose women to such serious injuries as tendinitis or even Achilles tendon tears. This shortening is difficult to reverse.

However, if high heels are a wardrobe must, the following tips may reduce the risk of damage:

Buy shoes with a wider heel platform that will distribute weight more evenly and make balancing easier.

Try using an over-the-counter insole to reduce some of the forces of impact on the metatarsal heads.

Stretch before and after every brisk walk and at least twice during the rest of the day to reduce muscle and tendon shortening.

Remove shoes while sitting at desk.

Try a heel lift in athletic and low-heeled shoes if tightness persists after stretching.

THANK YOU

The family of Nadene Brandvik gratefully acknowledges and sincerely thanks all for their expressions and thoughts of comfort in our time of sorrow.

We appreciate the cards, flowers, phone calls, visits, food, love and support.

Special thanks to Pastor Bill Miller, Pastor Larry Miller, the ladies of the Union Church, Boxwell Bros. and law enforcement for their service.

Hometown News

Navy Seaman Apprentice Cresencio Lopez, son of Paulino M. and Adele Lopez of Spearman, recently visited Pusan, Korea, while deployed aboard the guided missile cruiser USS Truxtun, homeported in San Diego.

During their visit, the crew enjoyed various leisure activities, including sightseeing and shopping.

A 1988 graduate of Spearman High School, he joined the Navy in June 1988.

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New Billy Graham film set to show

"Caught," the newest film from Billy Graham's World Wide Pictures, will be shown Sunday, April 8 at 7:00 p.m., at the First Baptist Church of Spearman.

The true-to-life dramatic story portrays the power of one person caring for another.

An 18 year old American, Tim Devon, goes to Amsterdam in search of the father he has never known. His mother reluctantly admits he was born illegitimately out of a college romance between her and a Dutch exchange student.

In this city, far from his home, he slips into the self-destructive drug culture, but is encountered by a single, caring person—a person of deep faith. The person, Rajam Prasad, found a way to share Christ's message of love.

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of 4:22.94, just off their best of the year, set a Canadian, 4:22.86. Combining in the 1600 relay were Cora Meyer (1), Venneman (2), Pando (3) and Shelton (4).

Congratulations to both the Hounds and Lady Hounds! There should be a sizeable bevy of qualifiers for regional competition, following the district track

hope and forgiveness in a way that Tim could not ignore.

Vast audiences who have witnessed the film's premiere in movie theatres around the world have been gripped by its central focus on their friendship which was forged out of danger and desperation.

Deeply moved by the warmth of the film with its many moments of humor, Billy Graham said, "Caught is certainly the most outstanding film yet produced by World Wide Pictures."

"Caught" rings a challenge to us all: in reality, one caring person can have an immeasurable impact on the life of another lonely, disillusioned, desperate person. The public is cordially invited to attend this showing.

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winning the Women's NCAA basketball championship - and not the heavily favored Louisiana Tech Lady Techsters. Stanford defeated Auburn 88-81 in the championship game, despite playing a team that was in the championship game for the third straight year, and despite never before making the Final Four themselves. Women's collegiate basketball has come a long way since 1969, when the first championship was played.

With all the UIL and sports events going on, it is sometimes hard to get a word in my column about the Gruver School Band and director Todd Parker. But Saturday, March 31, a fun day was had by all band members, as they travelled to Canyon for the annual Band Olympics - something of a reward for all band members not competing elsewhere in UIL or sports. Games such as basketball, basketball free throws, swimming, tug-o-war, water run, bowling, etc. were available to competitors. I had two children in band, and they had a great time this past Saturday.

Troy Seagler will play in the Texas High School Optimists Basketball All-Star game in San Antonio on April 21. This group of All-Star games is in conjunction with the Texas Association of Basketball Coaches (TABC), and class A, AA, and AAA will have

an North-South game, in which Seagler will participate.

Meanwhile, Roberto Rodriguez will play in the Golden Spread All-Star tournament in Canyon April 6-7. Seagler was also invited to play in this game, or games, but it conflicted with the upcoming district track meet so he opted to play only in the one in San Antonio.

Congratulations to Troy and Roberto!

Here is a tidbit of information. Brian Hoel has successfully tried out for the Texas Tech Red Raider football team, and this past weekend he played in the annual spring Red-Black football game in Lubbock. He will be a sophomore this coming fall, but it will be his first year of eligibility. He will be a receiver.

Hoel hasn't played football since his sophomore year at GHS, and he is more known for his baseball, basketball and tennis prowess. He played defense for the Hounds. Good luck, Brian! It is impressive to earn a spot as a walk-on.

Well, the University of Nevada at Las Vegas really put it all together in the NCAA Mens Championship - good offense, good pressure defense, and the largest margin of any NCAA Championship Game in history, 103-73. What more can you say...

New minimum wage law now in effect

Commissioner Mary Scott Nabers of the Texas Employment Commission reminded employers that the US Department of Labor has released interim final rules governing the subminimum training wage provisions of the new minimum wage law.

The new law, which went into effect on April 1, 1990, raises the minimum wage to \$3.80 but also provides for a lower training wage of \$3.35 per hour. The training wage will apply only for certain employees under age 20 and can be applied only for 90 days of employment. It will expire March 31, 1993.

The new law covers all companies which have an annual business volume of \$500,000 or more, while public agencies, schools, hospitals, and some other businesses will be covered regardless of their annual dollar volume.

The training wage will not apply to migrant or seasonal agricultural workers or to non-immigrant agricultural workers who perform temporary or seasonal work. Also, an employer can pay a worker the sub-minimum wage only until that employee reaches the age of 20,

after which he or she must be paid at a rate not less than the minimum wage otherwise applicable under the FLSA.

Employees who have been paid the training wage for 90 days can be paid the wage an additional 90 days if they work for a different employer, and if that employer provides on-the-job training. The total period that an employee may be employed at the training wage by any combination of employers may not exceed 180 days.

In order to meet the training requirements of the rule, an employer must provide "job-specific skills training and personal skills instruction," according to the regulation. Also, the DOL interprets the training wage as meant principally for new hires. Therefore, any employee who has worked for an employer for more than 90 days is ineligible for the training wage.

DOL has a poster that outlines the new law. Copies should be available from your regional Wage and Hour Division. In Texas, regional offices are located in San Antonio, Dallas, Houston, and Corpus Christi.

County, state jobless rates announced

The February jobless rate in Hansford County was 5.6 percent, according to figures released by the Texas Employment Commission.

TEC figures show that during the month of February, there was a total labor force of 3,719 persons in Hansford County. Of that number, 3,512 persons had jobs and 207 were unemployed.

Statewide, "The state's unemployment rate finally took the increase that we have been anticipating," Commissioner Mary Scott Nabers said as the Texas Employment Commission re-

leased statistics that placed the new monthly jobless rate at 7.0 percent. "That is up considerably from the 5.8 percent recorded in January," Nabers said, "but much of it represents a normal seasonal increase for this time of year."

"We were at 7.4 percent this time one year ago," Nabers said. "It's good that we are somewhat lower today but it is still not a comfortable position. Even less encouraging is the fact that 100,000 more Texans are unemployed this month as compared to last month." Approximately

7,787,900 Texans are working according to TEC's latest figures.

Only two major industry categories posted significant gains over the month. Government rose by over 18,000 in February and service employment increased by approximately 12,000. Declines were recorded in Transportation, Public Utilities and Retail Trade.

Unemployment rates rose between January and February in all of the Metropolitan Statistical Areas for which data are currently available, following the statewide trend. Although unemployment rose over the month, most of the

areas' rates were still below their levels a year ago.

MSA's with the lowest unemployment rates in February included: Bryan-College Station, at 4.2 percent; Austin and Lubbock, each with a 5.0 percent rate; Dallas, which had a 5.5 percent rate; and Houston, with a 5.7 percent jobless rate.

Areas with the highest rates in February continued to be the border MSA's. These included: McAllen-Edinburg-Mission, with a rate of 23.7 percent; Brownsville-Harlingen, at 12.6 percent; El Paso, with 12.2 percent; and Laredo, with a 12.0 percent unemployment rate.

Lookin' Back

5 YEARS AGO...

Thursday, April 4, 1985
Gruver Elementary, Junior High and High School teams won the District Academic Contest. Final point totals were 165 for Gruver Elementary and Junior High and 160 for Gruver High School.

10 YEARS AGO...

Thursday, April 3, 1980
Gruver's own Darla Armes was chosen for the first team Class A unit in girls' all state basketball. Miss Armes averaged 12 rebounds, seven assists, three steals and 22 points per game.

15 YEARS AGO...

Thursday, April 3, 1975
Quick thinking on the part of city officer Phil Rogers' wife, Rae, was responsible for officer Rogers apprehending three subjects who were trying to pass phoney prescriptions. Mrs. Rogers noticed the three subjects looking suspicious at a downtown Spearman drug store. Officer Rogers went to investigate and the chase was on. He pulled up beside them on Kenneth and Highway 207, showing them his badge. The subjects refused to halt and as they were being chased, they

threw things out of the pickup. They were finally caught near John Deere Implement.

20 YEARS AGO...

Thursday, April 9, 1970
At the regional science fair held in Amarillo students from Spearman High School took home several top awards in the competition with 24 Panhandle counties.

The project exhibited by Mark Massie was judged to be one of the two best overall exhibits and he will be sent to the International Science Fair in Baltimore, Maryland.

Devorah Jackson won first place in girls medicine and health. Vickie Rosenbaum also placed first in the medicine and health division and Billy Giles won a first place in the boys medicine and health division. Tommy Reger picked up a second place ribbon in the boys botany division.

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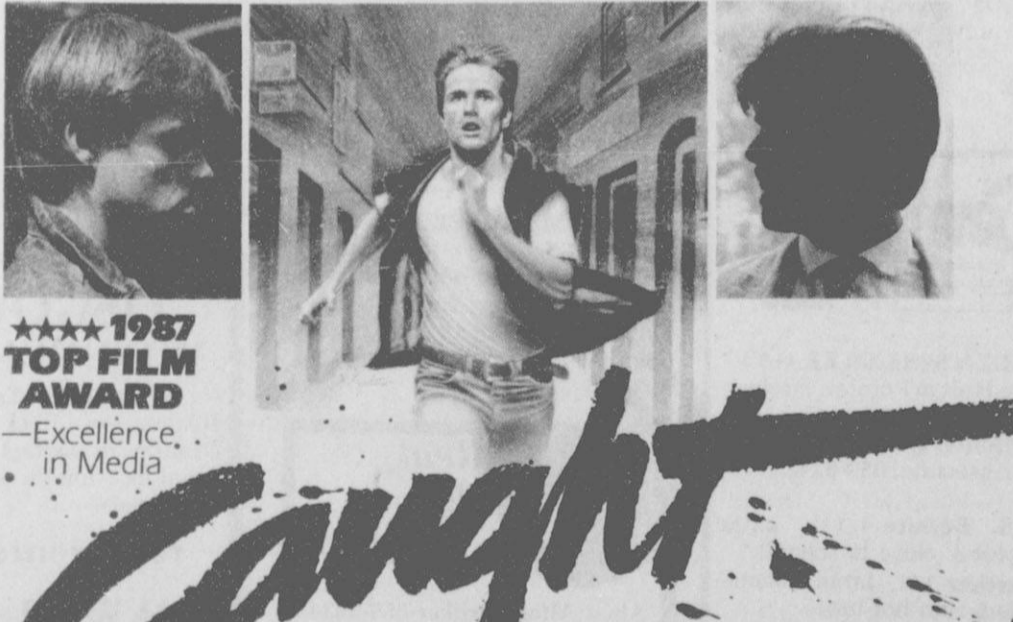
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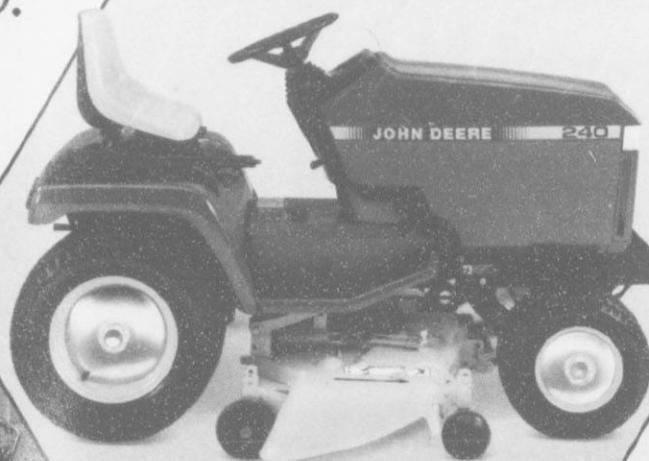
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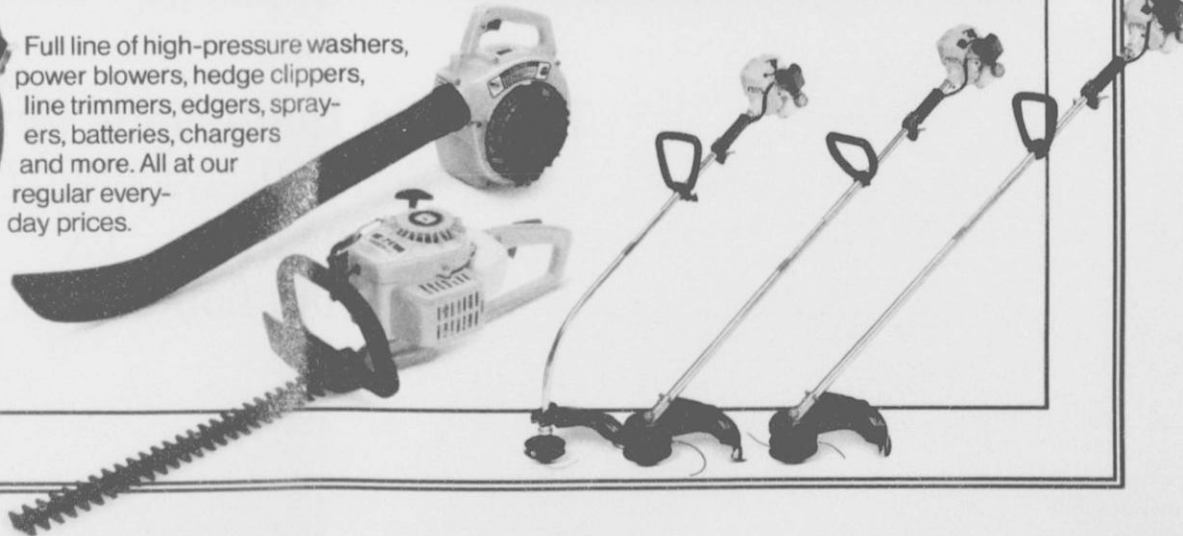
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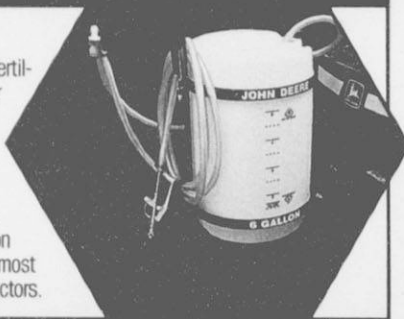
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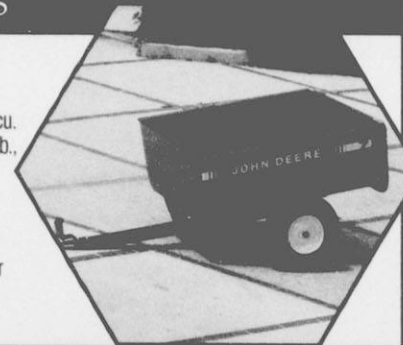
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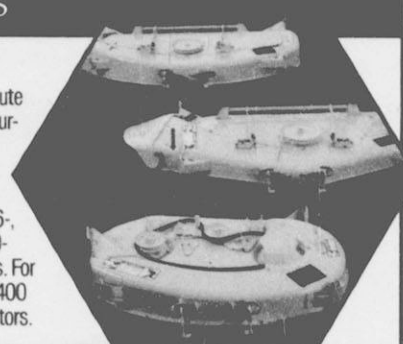
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