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# Spearman Junior High Students Win Contest

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Spearman may be harboring the next Walter Cronkite or Barbara Walters.

Five members of Brenda Pierson's sixth-grade class at Spearman Junior High teamed up to win the "Broadcast News Team" contest sponsored by KWTS-The One 91.1, West Texas A&M University's 6,000-watt radio station. As a reward for their topnotch entry, the entire class received a pizza party, courtesy of the campus radio station.

KWTS staff members delivered the pizzas at 1:30 p.m. on Wednesday, December 1st to Pierson's classroom.

The team, consisting of Katie Baehler, Callie Hargis, Jordan Short, Lindsey Short and Lynette Woodward, compiled a 3-5 minute studio news tape and submitted it to KWTS for judging in the contest's Middle School category.

"Their tape was a lot of fun," said Taylor Robinson, a junior broadcast major from Canyon and a judge in the contest. "They had a variety of strong personalities and were very energetic.'

The contest, sponsored by KWTS, was announced on the Amarillo Globe-News' Millennium Page, a part of the Newspaper in Education program. The Millennium Page is sponsored WTAMU, the WTAMU Foundation and the Alumni Association.

"Everyone was so excited about the party," Pierson, who happens to be a WTAMU graduate, said. "On Fridays, we do current events, summarizing articles from the newspaper, so paraphrasing five articles for the contest was right along the lines of what we've been working on."

#### Harris Receives Scholarship



Caleb Harris

Caleb Harris of Gruver, a 19year-old sophomore majoring in piano performance at Oklahoma Baptist University, took top honors in Texas Farm Bureau's Talent

Find recently in Corpus Christi. Harris, with his dramatic performance of Chopin's "The Revolutionary Etude," earned a \$2,000 scholarship after being selected from a field of 13 other youth across the state. Participants qualified for the state competition by winning their district contests earlier this year.

Harris is a licensed pilot, avid runner and weightlifter and plans to pursue a career as a concert pianist.



(Front Row, L-R) Lindsey Short, Lynette Woodward, Katie Baehler; (Middle Row, L-R) Callie Hargis and Jordan Short; (Back Row, L-R) WTAMU representatives Taylor Robinson, Dr. Leigh Browning, and Lisa Schmidt

# Margarette Evans

Margarette Evans recently the Barnard Memorial Award from the Native Plant Society of Texas. Margarette is a mem-ber of the Amarillo Chapter, which sponsors this annual state-wide contest. Each year they select a specific plant, which entrants are asked to submit a snapshot of. The snapshots are judged, and year's flower was horsemint. Margarette received a plaque,



the winner is announced at the annual convention. This

#### Renner Joins US Secret Service

For a young man raised in Hansford County, becoming a member of the elite and few chosen for the United States Secret Service was probably a dream too wild for even a vivid imagination. But for 1987 Gruver graduate Ross Renner, it is not a dream, it is

Renner became a member of the famed group when he graduated from Secret Service training on October 24, 1999, following two and a half months of training in Glenco, Georgia, and two and a half months of training at Fort Meade in Beltsville, Maryland.

Renner's assignment to the Dallas office of the United States Secret Service is the achievement of young man who has already had many experiences that most can only imagine.

Following his graduation from Gruver High School, Renner became a member of the United States Marine Corps. Distinguishing himself even among the distinguished, Renner was chosen

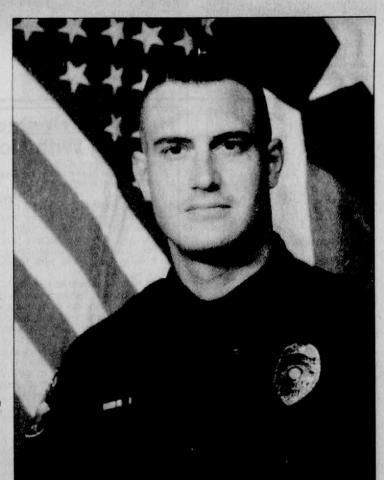
to be a special guard for the West Wing of the White House to accompany and protect then President Bush and the first fami-

When Renner concluded his service to the USMC, he enrolled in Abilene Christian University where he would later be chosen to address his graduation class. Upon completion of his degree, Renner applied and was chosen for police training by the Amarillo Police Academy.

Graduating from the APA, Renner was again chosen by his classmates to deliver the graduation address, but his time in the Amarillo Police Department was short-lived as he received word that he had been chosen to train with the Secret Service.

As Renner completed his training in late October, as president of his class of 24, he again found himself in the position of address-

ing his class at graduation. Ross is the son of B.J. and Glenna Renner of Gruver.





Andy Barbee, left, manager of Alco of Spearman, presents a check from Alco's Cute Baby Contest to representatives of Hansford Hospice. Shown accepting the donation are from left to right, Rosetta Barrera, hospice LVN and volunteer coordinator; Charla Hargis, hospice director; and Verna Lee Shirley, president of hospice volunteers.



Oh, No! The houses were decorated from top to bottom; The welcome mats were out; Then it snowed and snowed; The electricity went out; so it was best to wait! The Gladiola Flower Club would like to thank the host homes, the Hansford County Reporter-Statesman, and KRDF-FM for their help with this year's Annual Home Tour. We hope to reschedule at a later date.

#### Operation Christmas Greeting

We wish everyone a very Merry Christmas. Instead of mailing Christmas Cards, we have donated to Operation Christmas Greeting for the Hansford Hospital Auxiliary.

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# Happy BIRTHDAY

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

December 9
Birthday - Clayton Smith,
Verna Finley, Grant Odom,
Matt Overbey, Marlene Winger,
J.H. Campbell Jr., Gail
Vanlandingham, Elodia Flores,
Melana Papay, Shawn Cook,
Juan García Jr., Elda
DeSantiago, Maddie Rose
Stork

Anniversary - Mr. & Mrs. Don

December 10

Birthday - Pat Barkley, Akiko
Bort, Marilynn Hart, Harold
King, Brent Pittman, Aaron
Jackson, Kayla Pletcher,
Donald Piatt, Kay Barnes, Lelia
Bynum, Phyllis Collins, Linda
Bartz, Bryce Reed Jarvis,
Serina Diaz, Brent Wagner
Anniversary - Mr. & Mrs.
John Sprigg, Mr. & Mrs.
Pecember 11
Birthday - Kasey Davis,
Manella Kiser, Dana Steele,
Phillip Renner, Maria Martinez,
Florence Fletcher, Jim Evans,
Betty Dunaway, Steve Boynton
Anniversary - Mr. & Mrs. Jess
Wood, Irene & Butch Baker
December 12
Birthday - Gene Fletcher,
Kaisi Foster, Claudia Barton,
Pete Fisher, Olga Cantu, Mary
Ann Martin, Jana (Pittman)
Ivey, Babara Ring, Daniel
Ochoa, Don Reed, Chance
Johnson, Ivin Boyd, Christine
Brandvik, Omar
Guadalupe Trejo, Blanche
Greene, Freddy Walton, Brandvik, Omar Favela, Guadalupe Trejo, Blanche Greene, Freddy Walton, Marvin Wilkerson, Justin Boyd, Favela, Blanche Walton, Brandon Sauz

Anniversary - Mr. & Mrs. John Brown, Mr. & Mrs. Jon King, Mr. & Mrs. John Lopez, Charles & Melanie Elliott December 13

Birthday - Betty Burk, James
Burk Jr., Holly McCloy, Barbara
Schnell, Muriel Boyd, Linda
Butt, Bobby Smith, Jack Reed,
Georgena Hart, Dan Roach,
Dana Wattier, Robert Zamora,
Marylin Cline, Blythe Finley,
Leaha Smith
Anniversary - Mr. & Mrs. Kurt

Anniversary - Mr. & Mrs. Kurt Bynum

Birthday - Bradley Clawson, Ray Etter, Todd Parker, Penny Ralston, Barbara Stavlo, Elaine Odegaard, Ron Schmehr, Bradley Sanders, Lynn Cook, Sandra Grover, Eddie Herrington, Cale Curry,

Anniversary - Mr. & Mrs. Don Maize, Mr. & Mrs. Chris Stork

December 15

Birthday - Dallas Henson, Harvey Profitt, Hal Shufeldt, April Davis, Mona Driscoll, Carolyn Davidson, Bob Pearson, Abbe Steger, Pearson, Abbe Steger, Clarence Eller, Rosa Pierce, Stephanie Crossland, Donny Davis, Maria Ortiz, Jennie Jones, Jose Vargas, Jim Norton, Joey Bynum, Randall Sauer, LeAnn Shields, Eric Vasquez

December 16

Birthday - Carl Archer, Dave Hand, Linda Lackey, Clint Patterson, Marty Bennett, Melanie Clausen, Jennifer Hughes

Anniversary - Mr. & Mrs. Bryan Kenny, Mr. & Mrs. George P. Odom, Mr. & Mrs. John Purvines

John Purvines

December 17

Birthday - Patsy Bevill, Sergio
Favela, Charles Kruse,
Stephanie TeBeest, Brandy
Urban, Lupe Guerero, Francis
Floyd, Betty Lemons, Viola
Hutton, Russell Shaver, Lorene
Raiz, Bobby Novak, Charles
Layton, Sandi Rich, Michael
Park, Pam Cassady, Jimmy
Traylor, Stephanie Tyler
Anniversary - Mr. & Mrs. Bill
Park, Mr. & Mrs. Rick Finley
December 18
Birthday - Jimmy Faren,

Birthday - Jimmy Faren, Ronnie Schaefer, Cassie Butt, Malory Martin, Ben Gruver, Monalisa Garcia, Tyler Bounton

Anniversary - Tom & Rita Reed, Mr. & Mrs. Dwayne Hart, Mr. & Mrs. Dave Karlin December 19

Birthday - Steve Bevill, Jim Norton, Steve Watkins, Fausto Ruiz, Betty Vernon, Georgia Gaither, Nan Nicholson, Irene Reed, Sara Dossett, Pat Dear, Mrs. Boscoe, Nelson, Gwen Mrs. Roscoe Nelson, Gwen McLain, Ford McIntyre, Cindy Rice, Zachary Brelans, Billy Jo Miesner, Delphine Etling, Cindy

Anniversary - Frank & Carol Lemons, Earl & June Spencer, Reagan & Beckee Baker, Mr. & Mrs. Ray Ethredge, Mr. & Mrs. True Leatherman, Mr. & Mrs. Roy Diaz, Kyle & Jennifer Nollner

Nollner

December 20

Birthday - Harletta Carthel,
Doug Garrett, Cecil Ralston,
Esmeralda Renteria, Bill
Turner, Peggy Papay, Charles
West, Quentin Hayes, Brittni
Beedy, Alicia Nikolas, Lexie
Woodward, Bill Whitford, Mary
Webster, Quentin Harper, Paul
Henry Renteria, Brock
Schroeder, Megan Evans, Bill
Whitford
Anniversary - Mr. & Mrs.

Anniversary - Mr. & Mrs. William Porter, Sam & Brenda Pierson, Gary and Cathy Smith, Mr. & Mrs. Steve Myatt, Mr. & Mrs. Dale Jones

#### Our Deepest Sympathy

Dollie Mae Baker

Dollie Mae Baker, 73, died on Saturday, December 4, 1999 in the Dumas Nursing Center in Dumas, TX

Services were held at 2:00 p.m. on Wednesday, December 8, 1999 in the Morrison Memorial Chapel in Dumas, TX with Mr. Bill Kelp, activity director for the Dumas Nursing Center, officiating. Interment was in

Ms. Baker was born on March 15, 1926 in Ft. Smith, AK. She had been a resident of Dumas for the past 20 years. She was former longtime resident of Spearman.

Ms. Baker was a retired LVN. She was a longtime employee at the Dumas Nursing Center.

Survivors include one daughter, Betty Redwine of Morse; two sons, Glen Baker of Denver, CO and Troy Baker of San Angelo; an adopted daughter, Lois Smith of Dumas; one brother, Ray Fielding; seven grandchildren; and 12 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by a son, Fred Baker, Jr. in 1989. The family requests memorials be made to the Dumas Nursing Center, 1009 S. Maddox, Dumas, TX 79029.

Ruby Mayberry

Ruby Mayberry, 76, died on Sunday, December 5, 1999 in Borger. A memorial service will be held at 2:00 p.m. on Thursday, December 9, 1999 at the First Baptist Church of Gruver with Rev. Scott Curry officiating. Interment will be at a later date in Gruver Cemetery.

Ruby was born on February 13, 1923 in Sallisaw, OK. She married Carl Jefferson MAyberry on July 24, 1976 in Borger. She moved to Gruver in 1992 from Broaddus, TX. She was a member of th First Baptist Church of Gruver. She retired as a house mover in 1987. She was preceded in death by her husband on October 28, 1992. She was also preceded in death by her parents and four brothers.

Survivors include five sons, Bobby Capps of Cushing, OK, Jimmy Capps of Oklahoma City. OK, Donnie Capps of Vian, OK, William McDowell of Amarillo and Rodney McDowell of Gruver; two daughters, Norma Hefner of Borger and Sue Campbell of Sanford; two stepdaughters, Annette Hunter of Fletcher, OK and Jowannah Shackleford of Pampa; four sisters, Beulah Champion of Tranquility, CA, Jewell Curtis of Lodi, CA, Nadine Johnson of Okemah, OK, and Pauline Bene of San Juaquin, CA; 37 grandchildren and 51 great-grandchildren.

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#### Hansford Hospice Highlights Coping With Holiday Stress submitted by Rev. Ken Cole This message is provided by Behavioral Health, an affiliate of the General Health System. Certain sone lyrice like TED De Live Col

Certain song lyrics like "I'll Be Home For Christmas" or "It'll Be A Blue, Blue, Christmas," can, for some people, be heart wrenching songs of agony instead of sweet nostalgia. Unfortunately for many in today's fast-paced world, the holi-days are not storybook perfect. Long distances, poor health and finances keep some families and loved ones apart. For others the holidays are filled with financial pressures and multiple

It is not uncommon to feel stress, anger, frustration, sadness, oneliness, grief, lethargy, and even resentment as the season changes from autumn to winter and the holidays grow closer. Despite the many problems, there are ways to make the holi-days a little merrier. The key is a little effort and some pre-plan-

while many negative emotions can be felt leading up to and during the holiday season there is equal opportunity and promise for positive emotion to be felt. By better understanding what the holiday season is all about and putting our feelings, and fees into perspective, a major first step toward a needs and fears into perspective, a major first step toward a good holiday season can be made. Here are a few positive thoughts to help make the holidays

1) Be realistic about what the holiday season is all about.

Keep your expectations reasonable. Accept the fact that the holiday season isn't going to really change the lives of those around you. It won't make problems go away and won't be an

Plan your holiday to avoid stress. Look ahead. Give yourself permission to be human and accept that while doing your best, there is only so much you can do, given time and finan-

3) Try to maintain a positive outlook. Consciously look for good things to do. Avoid Scrooges who still criticize situations and people. Make a list of all of the things and people that make you feel good and seek them out.

4) Get involved. If loneliness is a concern, then let the real meaning and spirit of the holiday season work for you. Turn to others who are in need. Spending time giving service to others is the single, surest way to wash away the feelings of depression brought on by being alone.

5) Learn to say no. Don't get get caught up in trying to be everything to everyone. Put on the brakes and say no to unreasonable demands on your time or money.

sonable demands on your time or money.

6) Play. Give yourself ample time on a daily basis to have fun. Go to a movie, read a book, go to a basketball game, or spend time with a good friend. Look for ways to relax and have a good time.

7) Be more forgiving and tolerant. Many people around you may be feeling much as you do. Try to be understanding of

their shortcomings and remember your kindness may be just what they need.

8) If you make New Year's resolutions, set practical goals
Even with the best planning there can be setbacks along the
way -- take these into consideration.

way -- take these into consideration.

Above all else, remember that what really counts is what's inside of each of us. Love, understanding, and compassion are our greatest assets. Happy holidays and may the peace and true meaning of the season be yours today and throughout the year.

The general information presented here is not intended to replace the advice of you physician. If you have questions or would like more information on this topic, please contact your physician.

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Worship: 6:30 p.m. Sun.
Minister - Joseph Weaks

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Evening Worship: 7 p.m.
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Wed. Disc. Time: 6:30 p.m.
Wed. Youth Mtg. 8 p.m.
Pastor - Rick Patrick
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Faith Lutheran Church (ELCA) 1101 Bernice • 659-2252 (Worships with First Presbyterian Church)

First United Methodist 407 S. Haney \* 659-5503 Sunday School: 9.45 a.m. Worship: 8:30 & 11 a.m. Jr. High Youth: 5 p.m. Sunday High School: 6 p.m.. Sunday Kids Club: 3 p.m. Wed Pastor - Ken Cole

Union Church
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Worship: 10.45 a.m.
Evening Worship: 6 p.m.
Bible Study: 7 p.m. Wed
Pastor - Bill Sparks

Fellowship Baptist 1102 S. Archer • 659-2783 Sunday School: 10 a.m. Worship: 11 a.m. Sun. Evening Worship: 6 p.m. Youth/Adult Serv.: 7:30 Wed. Pastor - Gene Foster

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Maranta Elim. Iglecia de Cristo 303 N. Bernice Worship: Thursday - 7:30 p.m. For questions, call Raymond Godinez at (316) 624-1057

Gruver First Baptist Church Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Worship: 10:50 a.m. Disciple Training: 6 p.m. Sunday Prayer Meeting: 7:30 p.m. Wednesday Pastor - Scott Curry

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

First Christian Church First Christian Church 510 King \* 733-2960 Sunday School: 10:00 a.m. Sunday Worship: 11 a.m. Youth: 7:30, Sunday Adult Bible Study: 8:00 p.m. Pastor - Gary Gumfory

Oslo Lutheran Church (ECLA) 6 Miles West & 12 Miles North of Gruver 339-7709 Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Worship: 11 a.m.

**Gruver United Methodist** Broadway & Garrett 733-2651 Sunday School: 9.45 a.m. Worship 8:30 & 10:50 a.m. Eve. Worship & UMY: 6 p.m. Pastor - Jerry Moore

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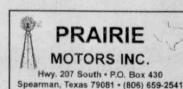
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Friend Christy Meador sent us these "Church Funnies' and I thought that we would pass them on to you

A Sunday school teacher asked her little children, as they were on the way to church service, "And why is it necessary to be quiet in church?" One bright little girl replied, "Because people

A little boy opened the big and old family Bible with fascination, looking at the old pages 

The preacher was wired for sound with a lapel mike, and as he preached, he moved briskly about the platform, jerking the mike cord as he went. Then he moved to one side, getting wound up in the cord and nearly tripping before jerking it again. After several circles and jerks, a little girl in the third pew leaned toward her mother and whispered, "If he gets loose, will he hurt

Six-year old Angie and her four-year old brothsix-year old Angle and her four-year old brother Joel were sitting together in church. Joel giggled, sang and talked out loud. Finally, his big sister had had enough. "You're not supposed to talk out loud in church." "Why? Who's going to stop me?" Joel asked. Angle pointed to the back of the church and said, "See those two men standing by the door? They're hushers."

My grandson was visiting one day when he asked "Grandma, do you know how you and God are alike?"
I mentally polished my halo while I asked, "No, how are we alike?" "You're both old," he replied.

A ten-year old, under the tutelage of her grandmother, was becoming quite knowledgeable about the Bible. Then one day she floored her grandmother by asking, "Which Virgin was the mother of Jesus? The virgin Mary or the King James Virgin?"

A Sunday school class was studying the Ten Commandments. They were ready to discuss the last The teacher asked if anyone could tell her what it was. Susie raised her hand, stood tall, and quoted, "Thou shall not take the covers off the neighbor's wife, below the result of the neighbor's wife."

I had been teaching my three-year old daughter, Caitlin, the Lord's Prayer. For several evenings at bedtime, she would repeat after me the lines from the prayer. Finally, she decided to go solo. I listened with pride as she carefully enunciated each word right up to the end of the prayer. "Lead us not into temptation," she prayed, "but deliver us some E-mail. Amen."

A little boy was in a relative's wedding. As he was coming down the aisle, he would take two steps, stop, and turn to the crowd. While facing the crowd, he would put his hands up like claws and roar. So it went, step, step, ROAR, step, step, ROAR, all the way down the aisle. As you can imagine, the crowd was near tears from laughing so hard by the time he reached the pulpit The little boy, however, was getting more and more distressed from all the laughing, and was also near tears by the time he reached the pul-pit. When asked what he was doing, the child sniffed and said, "I was being the Ring Bear."

One Sunday in a Midwest City, a young child was "acting up"during the morning worship hour. The parents did their best to maintain some sense of 

And one particular four-year old prayed, "And forgive us our trash baskets as we forgive those who put trash in our baskets.

One student's prayer: "Now I lay me down to rest, And hope to pass tomorrow's test. If I should die before I wake, That's one less test I have to take.

A little boy was overheard praying: "Lord, if you can't make me a better boy, don't worry about it. I'm having a real good time like I am."

> Until Next Time, May God Bless. GCS

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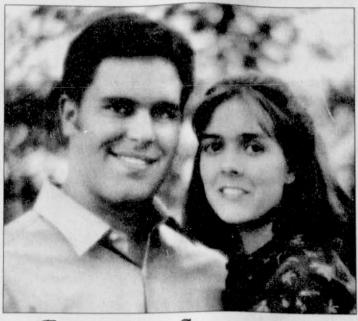
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Katy's grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Charles Brillhart of rural Spearman and Mr. and Mrs. Everett R. Tracy of Spearman.

Both the bride-elect and the prospective groom are graduates of Crawford High School and attend the University of Texas in Austin.

A January 8, 2000, wedding is planned at Miller Chapel at Baylor University in Wasse.

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#### HANSFORD HAPPENINGS

Barnes Medical Fund Established A medical fund has been established at First National Bank for Doug and Shannon Barnes

Spearman Boys Junior Lynx Basketball

The Spearman Boys Junior Lynx Basketball sign-up deadline is
Friday, December 17th. All boys in 3rd-6th grade are welcome to sign-up
at a cost of \$10.00 each. For more information, or to sign up, call Jan or
RIck Howard at 659-2875.

Spearman Christmas Band Concert & Luncheon

The Spearman Christmas Band Concert and Luncheon will be held on Sunday, December 12th in the Spearman High School Cafeteria. Lunch will be served at 12:00 noon, and will cost \$4.00 for adults and \$2.00 for students. The concert will be held at 2:00 p.m. in the auditorium. Proceeds will benefit the band program.

FUMC Christmas Pageant
An old-fashioned Christmas Pageant will be presented by the compined choirs of the First United Methodist Church. If the frantic pace of our world seems to be amplified during the Christmas season, then we invite you to pause, reflect, and rejoice with us. Jesus is the reason for the season, and we know that He's Still The King of Kings. Join us in a musical worshiping of the Christ of Christmas at 11:00 a.m., December 19, 1999. We are located at 407 S. Haney, or listen on KRDF-FM radio

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Two classes for Southwestern Oklahoma State University's master of business administration graduate program at Weatherford will be offered in Goodwell, Sayre and Woodward through interactive video during the upcoming 2000 spring semester. Marketing Strategy and Personnel and Human Resources Management will be offered by the SWOSU School of Business starting January 13th. The classes will be offered at Panhandle State University in Goodwell, the SWOSU campus in Sayre and the Northwestern Oklahoma State University campus in Woodward. For more information on admission to the MBA program at Southwestern, contact Dr. Elizabeth Ferrell at (580) 774-3040. Contact individuals at the Goodwell and Woodward sites are: Dr. Wayne Manning, Panhandle State, (580) 349-2611, ext. 233; and Deena Fisher, Northwestern-Woodward, (580) 256-0047.

North Panhandle Chapter of the Widowed Persons Service
The North Panhandle Chapter of the Widowed Persons Service invites
all widows and widowers in the Top of the Panhandle to attend an

evening of Crazy Bridge and snacks at 6 p.m. on Saturday, December 11, 1999. Meet with us at 2405 Sequoia, Perryton, and bring a finger food, such as chips, dips, small sandwiches, etc.

Moon Exhibit At Museum Of The Plains
An exhibit featuring the works of Dr. Marvin Moon and his son Gregory Moon, is on display now through January 31st in the Brillhart Room at the Museum of the Plains. The art reception will be held on Saturday, December 11th, from 2-4 p.m.

Rushing Wind Emmaus To Meet In Spearman
The Rushing Wind Emmaus community will meet at the First United Methodist Church in Spearman on December 11th. A fellowship meal will be served at 6:30 p.m., followed by praise and worship. Members of the area churches, those who have attended a Walk to Emmaus, family and friends are invited to attend. The Board of Directors will meet at 5:00 p.m. A nursery will be provided.

Census 2000

Census 2000 is recruiting people in Hansford County. Get tested and apply early or sign-up as a volunteer now. Work close to home with part-time, flexible hours that pays from \$7 to \$11 an hour. We provide train-ing and mileage reimbursement, and we pay our census takers weekly. No specific work experience is needed, but some areas require people with bi-lingual skills. Call the Local Census Office at 1-806-371-9317 ext. 115. The Census Bureau is an Equal Opportunity Employer. A representative will be in Gruver at 10:30 a.m. on December 15th in the City Hall Meeting Room, and at the Law Library at the County Courthouse in Spearman at 2:00 p.m.

"The Full Gospel Community Worship Center of Perryton, TX will present "The Christmas Post" on Saturday, December 11th and Sunday, December 12th, at 7:00 p.m. in the Perryton High School Auditorium. "The Christmas Post" is a dramatic musical that will bring-to-life two of Norman Rockwell's famous paintings. Come and enjoy heart-warming music, beautiful sets and costumes, and an atmosphere of hope as we celebrate the birth of Jesus. Admission is free. Call the church office for more information at (806) 435-2506.



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#### Among The Neighbors

by Helen Fisher

Late Thanksgiving notes:

John and Edith Pipkin enjoyed Thanksgiving Day here with family members from Amarillo and Spearman.

Yvonda and Larry Stokes arrived early enough on Thursday to help John prepare the traditional dinner - or perhaps John did the helping. John claims his expertise is more in agriculture than in culinary arts.

Others of the Stokes family coming from Amarillo were Chris Stokes and his daughters, LuRae and Hope; Kevin and Krystal Hare with Morgan and Clayton. The Pipkin's daughter, Betty Clifford of Ontario, Canada, called to make the day complete.

Richard and Lisa Pipkin, with David, went from Spearman to spend Thanksgiving with daughter Candice, student in A&M. On the morning of the A&M tragedy, how thankful they were when she called stating that she had not been at the scene

Their other daughter, Kara, spent Thanksgiving in Argentina where she is a foreign exchange student.

Bill and Estelle Jackson, in a switch from hosting Thanksgiving, drove to Aurora, CO. They spent Thanksgiving and a few days with daughter and son-in-law Anne and Dave Burch. The weather was very pleasant, and the snow in the higher elevations soon melted.

A new little twig has sprung on a Hansford County family tree with the arrival of Sydney Elizabeth Stegman on Friday, November 26,

She was born in Cooperstown, NY, weighing 7 ounces, 7 ounces. She is the daughter of Jamie Anne and Steven Stegman, and the sister of 28-month-old August Riley

Maternal grandparents are Anne and Pat Northcutt of Amarillo and James Smith. She has a number of other relatives here.

The new business venture, Simple Simon's Pizza, had a very busy opening day on December 1st. The combination of pizza and video no doubt will be a popular place. It is owned by Dwight and Anita Sumner and best wishes for a successful endeavor is extended.

Several agricultural periodicals have carried articles relating to the formation of the Panhandle-Plains Production Credit Association. Mike McLain of Gruver was named the vice-president. He has been the board chairman of the Production Credit Association in Amarillo and has been quoted at length regarding the merger.

Margaret Gibner, 90, was laid to rest beside her husband, Pope, at Hansford Cemetery last Thursday.

Margaret was the last of that generation of the Gibner family, a family that is part of the history of Spearman and Hansford County. Beginning with pioneer Doctor Gibner the family was wellrespected and active in many aspects of the development and quality of church, civic, social, business, agriculture organiza-

Relatives of Spearman learned of the death of Nancy Ownbey of Albuquerque late last week.

She was the wife of Dr. Tim Ownbey who is the son of Susan and Jim Steve Ownbey, formerly of Spearman. He is the great-grandson of Ora Lee Blackburn and has other relatives in this area.

Nancy Ownbey, an attorney, was

driving the vehicle, lost control

week they didn't work? Spearman

the essence of the words "By the authority vested in me" become obsolete?

instantly. Dr.Tim was seriously injured, with broken bones and internal injuries. Their two small children were also injured.

That proud, beaming expression on Ray Gibson's face is the result of the picture in the Amarillo Sunday News-Globe of his pretty great-granddaughter. little Madelane Jennings. She is pictured in connection with Christmas program at the Southwest Branch Library.

Madelane is the daughter of Rhonda and George Jennings of

George Young is in Baptist St. Anthony's Hospital after being medivaced from Hansford Hospital on Friday.

He has pneumonia and is on a ventilator as of this writing on Monday morning.

Family members feel that he is showing a little improvement and are hoping he can breathe on his own in a few days.

Weather report the week of November 29th to December 6th shows the highest temperature was on December 1st at 70 degrees; the low on December 5th at 18 degrees. From the good four inches of snow, moisture result was only .15 and .01 of that was the day before.

In Seattle, the World Trade Organization adjourned without making any progress on a complicated agenda. According to the news, the failure was due to the harassment and stoppages of the 40,000 demonstrators from over the U.S. While most were labor union members, there were several other organizations represented.

The failure to take any action dampened the hopes of all agricultural interests hoping to open world markets to American pro-

Many questions are raised-

Who is in charge of this country? Who has the authority to guarantee officials can conduct the work they are elected to do? The media emphasized that most demonstrated peacefully, denying the delegates entry into the meetings, stopping traffic, etc. and only a few thousand set the fires, broke into stores, looted businesses, etc.

So, who financed the thousands of union workers to spend a week in Seattle - their transportation, their lodging - were their employers forced to pay them for the

Degree Felony; Counts 3, 4 &5 -Who is actually in charge? Has



by Dorothy Hudson Lake Depth - December 6, 1999

53.55 feet (down 3 inches) Jim's Report The rain gauge showed .92 inch-

es at the office, but since it had the funnel on it, it wouldn't be accurate for the blowing snow. The office side of the lake was

without electricity from 11:30 Saturday until 4:00 a.m. on Sunday, but the Mosiers had current. The top of the pole was broken off at the crossbar. The linemen used the same pole and put the crossbar back on, so now one pole is shorter than the others.

Jim saw the bald eagles early on Monday morning with one flying overhead and three perched in the trees on the Gibner side of the lake. Two had white heads, but two were immature. He also saw a six-point buck with a doe and two yearlings. There are some Canadian geese on the lake, but they are not in great numbers yet.

Jim enjoyed the High Plains Outdoors section of the Sunday Amarillo Globe-News. He called my attention to a short piece on "Feds to study cormorant impact." The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service has announced plans to study the impact of cormorants on recreational fishing. The large black water birds have been wide-

The 84th Judicial District Grand

Jury met on November 9, 1999.

The District Attorney's Office pre-

sented 11 cases to the Grand Jury.

The Grand Jury returned 10 indictments. Six indictments were

sealed. Listed are the indictments

William Kent Ruble, 41, pearman, Driving While

Intoxicated, Third Degree Felony

Chris Stewart, 21, Spearman, Burglary of a Building, State Jail

Lawrence Monroe Smith, 35

Aggravated Sexual Assault, First

Spearman, 5 Counts - Counts 1&2

Driving

that were not sealed.

Spearman,

ly blamed for predation on game fish in public and private lakes. We will watch to see if our lake is one of the study areas.

Another article he enjoyed was "Tips for Winter Meredith Walleye, Bass." Much of this article quoted Hank McWilliams, who has been guiding there for ten years. Since we have walleye and smallmouth bass at Palo Duro, the tips would apply here, too. December is a good month to fish for walleye, if you have the intestinal fortitude for it. Hank likes to go out at six in the evening and fish until 1:30 a.m. This man knows about catching big walleyes as he has the state record 11.88 pound walleye caught at Lake Meredith.

The Harris family north of Morse on the Palo Duro have been being entertained by a curve-bill thrasher that has discovered another curved bill thrasher in his domain. He does not know he is fighting his image in the rear view mirror on the combine. He has roughed and messed up the center of the mirror, but he is still fighting the bird he sees on the edges. Curve-bill thrashers are uncommon in the Panhandle, but the Tomlinsons in Gruver have a pair as permanent residents.

Indecency with a Child (by con-

Rigoberto Rivas, Jr., aka: Rigo

Rivas, 29, Dalhart, Aggravated Sexual Assault, First Degree

tact), Second Degree Felony

**Grand Jury Indictments** 

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The Gruver Chamber of Commerce would like to thank the following businesses for their participation in our drawing for Gruver Bucks to be held on December 18th.

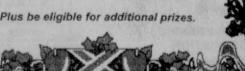
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Dean Cluck Feedlot • Gruver Mechanical
Gruver Farm Supply • Our House
Kelly Armes Nails • Terry Sherrill, CPA

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To be eligible for the drawing, you must make a purchase of \$10.00 or more at the following businesses in Gruver on or before noon on December 17th: G&G Foodliner, Little Tiffanies, CJ's Pizza, El Vaquero Restaurant, Dairy Queen, Bartlett's Ace Hardware, Main Street Store,

CJ's Pizza, Gruver Fuel, My Mother's Garden



#### Letter To The Editor

Someone asked me why the Texas Highway crews were not out in Hansford County during the snowstorm last weekend. They were out, as always, and were doing a great job. The roads were closed due to the visibility, not because they were snow packed.

They had cleaned the roads to the county line, which is always the ase. It's once you get to the county line that your problems begin. Thank you guys, for a job well done.

> Sincerely. R.L. McFarlin, Jr. Sheriff, Hansford County

#### **Cancer Center Community Calendar**

Listed below is the Community Calendar for the Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer Center for the month of December.

All events take place at the Harrington Cancer Center, 1500 Wallace Blvd., in the 2nd floor Amphitheatre unless otherwise

**Dialogue** 

Thursdays, Noon-1:30 p.m. Dialogue is a patient/family education support group sponsored by Harrington Cancer Center and American Cancer Society. For more information, please call Gerry Kelly at 359-4673, ext. 235 or Stan McKeever at 359-4673, ext. 141 or 1-800-274-4673.

9th - "The Natural Way of Prayer" - Video presentation on steps to express what you feel (Will be held in the Harrington Cancer Center Boardroom)

16th - "Dialogue Holiday Celebration" - Holiday buffet, fun and fellowship

> Pathways Tuesdays, 1:30-3:00 p.m.

Pathways is an educational support group or those who have lost a loved one. It is sponsored by the Harrington Cancer Center. For more information, please call Gerry Kelly at 359-4673, ext. 235 or Stan McKeever at 359-4673, ext. 141 or 1-800-274-4673.

14th - "Surviving the Season"

#### Do You Believe In Prayer? We do , too!

Call the Church of Christ Prayer Line anytime to make a prayer request.

659-5334 Requests kept confidential. 21st - "Looking beyond the

Women In Touch

3rd Monday, 5:30-7:00 p.m. Women in Touch is a monthly support group for women with breast cancer. It is presented by the Harrington Cancer Center Women's Center. For more information, or to register to attend, please call Gerry Kelly at 806-359-4673, ext. 235 or 1-800-274-

#### Women's Center **Breast Screening**

December 27th Office Building, 712 S. Roland Spearman, Texas

A minimum of fifteen women need to register in order for mobile mammography clinics to come to area towns. Funding is available through the Texas Department of Health for Texas residents who qualify for assistance. All exams are done by appointment only. Space is limited, call 356-1905 or 1-800-377-4673 for more information, or to

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#### High winds and icy conditions have again resulted in numerous power outages in the service area Plains

Cooperative (NPEC). Sever winter weather this past weekend, December 3rd and 4th, resulted in 19 broken poles, downed lines, and some outages caused by our power supplier. Most services was restored by Sunday evening.

NPEC began to have problems Saturday morning as the combination of moisture in the air and rapidly dropping temperatures resulted in a thin sheet of ice accumulat-

ing on power lines.
"We are lucky it was only a thin sheet this time, stated Lewis Crain, NPEC Engineer (referencing a January 1999 ice storm that resulted in \$3 million of damage). "With any thicker ice, damage could have been much more extensive.'

Nineteen poles were broken in the storm and several power lines broken. All seven counties (Hansford, Hemphill, Hutchinson, Lipscomb, Ochiltree, Roberts, and Wheeler) in the NPEC service area were affected.

"The majority of the costs in this storm will be for labor because not that many structures were damaged. Any wide spread outage is very labor intensive, because when we have so many areas affected, we try to get as many crews out as we can have safely working on the problems and still be able to energize the fixed areas immediately," added NPEC General Manager Pat

Despite system wide problems, extreme weather, and very muddy roads, most service was restored last Saturday night or early Sunday morning. The muddy conditions slowed efforts, required the use of tractors, and resulted in some equipment failure as crews worked

through the night on Saturday. Additional outages occurred on Sunday afternoon as temperatures increased, causing ice to melt. As of Tuesday afternoon, a small section in Northern Hemphill County remained without power as crews work to replace six broken poles. Some irrigation, oil wells and sprinklers may not be restored until later this

Most of the outages resulted from a phenomenon called foiling, where ice on power lines acts as a wing to lift wires in the strong North winds of the front. This in turn causes lines to move as much as six feet up an down and usually results in wires contacting each other. This contact causes lines to arc, and will either activate safety breakers or will cause the line to burn and separate.

As ice melted on Sunday afternoon, additional problems surfaced. The falling ice caused lines to again jump and contact each other. Other areas had to wait on repairs to power supplier lines in order to restore power to NPEC substations.

Winter Storm Causes Outages

If your power has not been restored, please contact NPEC immediately at (806) 435-5482 or 1-800-272-5482.

If you see downed power lines, DO NOT APPROACH OR TOUCH THEM and DO NOT TRY TO MOVE THEM. Contact NPEC, or your local Fire or Sheriff's Department immediately.

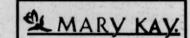
#### **Breast Cancer Screening Clinic**

The Women's Center of the Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer Center and Baptist St. Anthony's Health System in conjunction with Hansford County Hospital will conduct a Breast Cancer Screening Clinic at 712 South Roland, in Spearman on December 27, 1999.

Breast cancer affects one in eight women. The key to winning the battle against cancer is early detection by having an annual breast exam, mammogram and performing a breast self-exam

Participants will receive a lowcost screening mammogram. Each woman screened will receive a breast health risk appraisal and individual instruction by a registered nurse in breast self-examination. Funding is available through

the Texas Department of Health for Texas residents who qualify for assistance. All exams are done by appointment only. Call 806-3 56-1905 or toll free 1 -800-377-4673 for more information.



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# The Gruver Grapevine

Winter Storm Hits Area A fast-moving winter storm hit the Gruver area early Saturday morning. The storm brought .75 inch of moisture, mostly in the form of snow and was accompanied by strong winds. Power outages were reported by the city of Gruver and surrounding areas. The most severe outage was in the Bernstein area where rural residences were without electricity for

The power outage in Gruver just before noon resulted in the cancellation of the finals of the Gruver JV Basketball Tournament. The inclement weather also brought the cancellation of several church services.

> Chamber Sponsors Lighting Contest

Gruver Chamber of Commerce is sponsoring its annual Christmas Lighting Contest, according to Chamber president, Kyle Irwin. Judging in the contest will be on Sunday night, December 19, from 7-9 p.m. Three winners will be selected to receive \$50 in Gruver Bucks which can be used in any Gruver business.

**GHS** Shines

The large metal GHS letters used at the homecoming bonfire each year have been adorned with lights by GHS Principal Kip Bullock with the aid of several students and placed in front of the high school building for the holiday season.

Mr. Bullock is seeking 16 sets of 100 small red lights for the emblem for future use. Anyone who knows where the lights may be obtained may contact the high school office, 733-2477.

Condolences Extended Services for Ruby Mayberry, 76, will be conducted today. Mrs. Mayberry was the mother of Gina McDowell and had lived in Gruver since 1992.

Services were held in Amarillo Monday for former Gruver resident, Ron Pingel, 50.

GHS Exam Schedule Set Tuesday, December 14 - 3rd. Period Exam - 12:35 p.m.- 2:00

6th. Period Exam - 2:05 p.m.-3:30 p.m. Wednesday, December 15 - 2nd Period Exam - 9:00 a.m. - 10:30

4th. Period Exam - 10:35 a.m. -8th. Period Exam - 12:35 p.m. -

2:05 p.m. Thursday, December 16 - 1st.

Period Exam - 9:00 a.m. - 10:30 5th. Period Exam - 10:35 p.m. -

12:04 p.m. 7th. Period Exam - 12:35 p.m. -2:05 p.m.

The high school schedule for

December 17 will be as follows:

Certified American Board of Surgery

Society of American Gastrointestinal

**Endoscopic Surgeons** 

· Laparoscopic Surgery

Gastrointestinal Endoscopy

Homeroom period - 8:30 a.m.

Christmas Play and Band Concert- 9:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. Prepare for Christmas Dinner party in Activity Center - 10:30

a.m. - 11:00 a.m. Lunch - 11:00 - 12:30 p.m. Dismissal - 12:30 p.m. Makeup Tests - 1-4 p.m.

Christmas Sing Slated The Gruver Music Club will sponsor a Community Christmas Sing on Thursday, December 9, at p.m. in the Gruver Methodist Church. Music of the season will be performed by church choirs and individuals from the community.

Basketball Scoreboard Seventh Grade Boys Gruver 21, Perryton 41 Rennick 2, Irwin 2, Winger 4, Cooper 8, TeBeest 5.

Seventh Grade Girls Gruver 37, Perryton 41 Reid 8, Finley 2, Grotegut 6, Burnam 16, Huerta 5.

Eighth Grade Girls Gruver 54, Perryton 16 Hart 5, Armes 8, Myatt 16, Goad 17, Bryson 8.

Eighth Grade Boys Gruver 14. Perryton 37 Weldon 4, Puebla 2, Luciano 2, Slough 3, Sherril 7.

Freshman Lady Hounds Gruver 40, Perryton 15

B. Lowe 4, Clift 4, Cazares 6, S. Johnson 10, Christian 4, Sherrill 4,

Junior Varsity Lady Hounds Gruver Tournament (First Game)

Gruver 35, Sunray 37 Morris 2, Holt 8, Perez 4, S Moore 11, Bass 10

JV Lady Hounds (second game) Gruver 50, West Texas 24 (Most points scored by JV Lady

Hounds this season) Morris 8, Holt 12, Perez 12, S. Moore 10, Shoulders 5, Bass 15

Lady Hounds Lake Meredith Tourney (first game) Gruver 38, Fritch 27

Boyd 2, A. Watley 6, Griffin 9, T. Yanke 2, Stavlo 19, Shults Bevill 2. Mayhew 4.

Lady Hounds Lake Meredith Tourney (second game) Gruver 59, Sunray 57 Watley 27, Griffin 9, T.

Yanke 7, L. Johnson 4, Stavlo 5, Bevill 2, Mayhew 7.

Get Well Wishes Olene Cluck was airlifted to Amarillo Wednesday, December 1 with respiratory problems. She is currently in Baptist St. Anthony's Hospital and is making good

Sophomore Beth Yanke underwent dental surgery Thursday, December 2. She was able to return to school on Monday.

Junior Glover, the stepfather of Jerry Moore is receiving chemo and radiation treatments for can-

J.C. Harris has returned home following testing in Houston.

Teams to Compete

The Hounds and Lady Hounds will compete in the Sunray Tournament with games beginning on Thursday. The Hounds will play Dalhart at 4:30 Thursday while the Lady Hounds will play Dalhart at 3 p.m. Thursday.

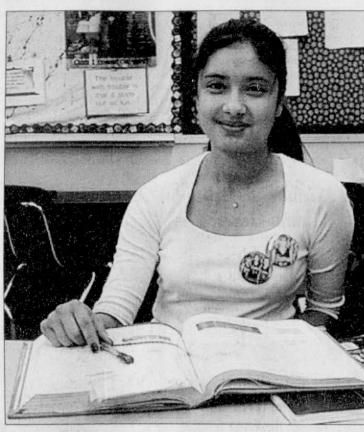
Borunda Cited for work Sylvia Borunda has been recognized for her extraordinary excellence in the identification and recruitment of migrant students by

the Texas Migrant Education Conference.

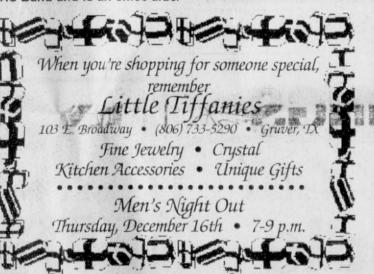
Borunda was one of a dozen school employees in the 100-249 school student division to be cited. She received a certificate recognizing her as an all state recruiter.

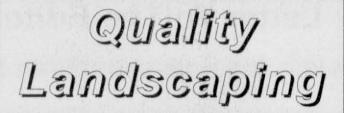
Choir to Present Program The children's choir of the United Methodist church will present a Christmas program on Sunday, December 12, during Sunday morning worship service.

Former Resident Update Former residents Eddie and Mary Tim Shook now live in Sunray. Although they did not have a child playing, they were in attendance at the Sunray/Gruver junior varsity boys game last week in Gruver.



Isela Huerta, GHS junior, was selected November Student of the Month. Selected by her teachers for her scholastic dedication and positive attitude, Isela is also a member of the GHS Band and is an office aide.





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#### **Higher Pheasant Populations** Hold Promise For Improved **Hunting Season**

submitted by Michael S. Miller, Wildlife Biologist, Texas Parks & Wildlife Department, (806) 665-

Get out your favorite shotgun, buy a box of #6's and load up you're best retriever. The pheasant hunting season opens on Saturday, and features an upswing in pheasant numbers for 1999, according to recent results of a wildlife survey conducted by Texas Parks and Wildlife (TPW).

Pheasant roadside surveys are conducted annually, October through November, in the Texas Panhandle. The results of this year's survey revealed 14 pheasants per survey route compared to the 10 pheasants per survey route observed during 1998. This represents a 40% increase in the pheasant population; however, Mike Miller, TPW Wildlife Biologist, is predicting only a fair-to-good hunting season. "Pheasant numbers still remain below the longterm average in the Panhandle, but this year, hunters will work less to fill their bag limit," Miller pre-

"It was not surprising to observe the highest pheasant numbers in Deaf Smith, Hansford and Ochiltree Counties," Miller said. What was a little surprising was the increase in pheasant numbers in some very marginal pheasant country. Randall, Bailey, Hale, Floyd, and Gray Counties exhibited the highest number of birds seen in those counties for years, according to Miller.

Panhandle landowners and sportsmen have experienced some

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of the best and worst pheasant hunting during the past few years. The 1997 season was one of the best and was followed, only a year later, by one of the worst seasons on record. Miller attributes the huge swing in pheasant numbers to the availability of quality habitat components, chiefly deter-mined by timely rainfall and farm-

ing practices.

Timely moisture not only provided an abundance of food items like seeds, plant shoots, and insects, but also provides growth of grasses and weeds for nesting and rearing young. Conservation Reserve Program cover, playa lake edges, field borders, and road rights-of-way provide excellent pheasant nesting areas. Hens often raise poults in areas that contain weedy field margins, edges of grain sorghum and cornfields, and the edges of playa lake basins.

The farmer that provides a "checkerboard" mix of all of these components is on the right track to having pheasants.

The 16-day pheasant hunting season runs from Saturday, December 11th through Sunday, December 26th in the Texas Panhandle. Legal shooting hours are from one-half hour before sunrise to one-half hour after sunset. The daily bag limit is three (3) roosters per hunter (6 in possession). TPW requires that one foot or all feathers remain attached to the pheasant until it reaches its final destination. All hunters must possess a Texas hunting license; there are no other special tag

College News

Texas Tech University

More than 870 students at Texas Tech University received degrees during 1999 summer commencement exercises.

Graduating students included the following from Spearman: Chad Raymond Gardiner, Bachelor of Science - Civil Engineering, and Kyle Logan Pearson, Bachelor of Science - Multidisciplinary Science.

More than 360 Texas Tech University students qualified for academic honors lists at the end of the summer semesters.

Students on the President's List earned a 4.0 (A) grade point average while enrolled in 12 or more semester hours of class work. Students who earned 12 or more hours with a grade point average fop 3.5 to 3.9 qualified for the Dean's List.

Jocelyn Alane Edwards of Spearman was listed on the President's List. Jocelyn is a junior, majoring in Multidisciplinary Studies.

Oklahoma State University

Joe Jenkins from Spearman has been named an honor student for the just completed summer semester at Oklahoma State University in Okmulgee.

Jenkins earned above a 3.0 grade average on a 4.0 system throughout

Grade point averages are computed on the student's grade in his/her major area of study and related general education subjects.

Founded in 1946, OSU-Okmulgee is the only college in Oklahoma which was established specifically for technical education. Graduates can earn an Associate in Applied Science degree in any of 11 technical occupations comprised of more than 60 specialized programs of study. Jenkins is enrolled in diesel and heavy equipment technology.

Connors State College

Connors State College Livestock Judging program has become one of the premier programs in the country.

Over the past three years they have won more contests than any team in the country. This year Ruth Shields, daughter of LeAnne and Lonnie



Interterm and the Spring Semester.

General enrollment for January Interterm ends December 22. January Interterm begins January 3 and lasts until January 13. General enrollment for Spring Semester ends January 14. Spring Semester begins January IT and lasts until May 18.

Shields of Spearman, is a member of the team

"Ruth comes from a very good 4-H program," said Connors coach Jerry McPeak. "Her high school coach, Brett Burgin can coach and win on the collegian level. We are very impressed with Ruth as a student and as a person.

The team, coached by Jeff McPeak and Jerry McPeak, began competition at the Arkansas-Oklahoma State Fair on September 27th, followed by contests at the Tulsa State Fair, Louisiana State Fair, American Royal and North American International this fall. The winter contests will be in Phoenix, Denver, Fort Worth, Houston, and Jackson, MS.

**Hardin Simmons University** 

Spearman resident Josh Lee Winegarner was recently accepted into the Graduate Program at Hardin-Simmons University in Abilene

Winegarner, the son of Norlan and Linda Winegarner of Spearman, will be seeking a Masters of History from HSU.

He is a 1995 alumni of Spearman High School and a 1999 graduate of McMurry University receiving a bachelor's degree in history with a minor in English. \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*

Connors State College

After taking a one contest hiatus from the top spot in Junior College Livestock Judging, the Connors State College team came back working themselves into the top slot in the recent Louisiana State Fair contest for the second straight year.

The victory was also the second in three contest this year for the Cowbovs team

Ruth Shields of Spearman finished fourth.

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December 1
-Iceland became a self-governing kingdom united with Denmark, 1918.

—President James Monroe proclaimed the Monroe Doctrine in his message to Congress, 1823.

—John Brown, American abolitionist, hanged at Charles Town, Va. (now W. Va.), 1859.

—Scientists achieved the first controlled atomic chair reaction, in Chicago, 1942.

December 3 -Illinois admitted to the Union, 1818.

-Novelist Joseph Conrad born 1857

-Maria Callas, American-born opera singer, born 1923. -First human heart transplant performed by Christiaan Barnard, South African surgeon, 1967.

December 4 -Thomas Carlyle, Scottish author, born 179

December 5 -Phi Beta Kappa, honorary scholastic society, founded at the College of William and Mary, 1776. -Martin Van Buren, eighth President of the United States, born at Kinderhook, N.Y., 1782. -Motion-picture producer Walt Disney born 1901.

-Amendment 21 to the United States Constitution, repealing prohibition, proclaimed, 1933.

December 6 -Europeans celebrate the Feast of St. Nicholas

-Columbus discovered Hispaniola, 1492.

-Dave Brubeck, American jazz pianist, born 1920

December 7

-Delaware ratified the Constitution, 1787. -Japanese forces attacked the U.S. naval base at Pearl Harbor in Hawaii in World War II, 1941. December 8

-Horace, Roman poet, born 65 B.C. -Eli Whitney, inventor of toothed cotton gin, born 1765. -Jan Sibelius, Finnish composer, born 1865.

-The American Federation of Labor organized, 1886.

-Chinese Nationalists flee the mainland, moving their capital to Formosa (today Taiwan), 1949. -John Lennon shot and killed in New York City, 1980.

December 11

December 9

-John Milton, English poet, born 1608. -Joel Chandler Harris, American author of the "Uncle Remus" stories, born 1848.

December 10 William Lloyd Garrison, American journalist and abolitionist, born 1805.
 Mississippi admitted to the Union, 1817.

-Emily Dickinson, American poet, born 1830.

The Territory of Wyoming authorized women to vote and hold office, 1869. -Spain ceded Philippines to the United States, 1898

-Hector Berlioz, French composer, born 1803

-Indiana admitted to the Union, 1816. -Robert Koch, German bacteriologist, born 1843.

-Edward VIII of Great Britain abdicated, 1936

December 12 -John Jay, American diplomat, born 1745

-Pennsylvania ratified the Constitution, 1787 -Gustave Flaubert, French novelist, born 1821

-Guglielmo Marconi received the first radio signal sent across the Atlantic Ocean, 1901

December 13 -The Council of Trent opened, 1545.

--Sir Francis Drake left England to sail around the world, attacking Spanish possessions, 1577.

-Tycho Brahe, Danish astronomer, born 1546.

-George Washington died at Mt. Vernon, 1799.

-Alabama admitted to the Union, 1819.

 -James Doolittle, American air pioneer and air force general, born 1896. Roald Amundsen, Norwegian explorer, reached the South Pole, 1911

#### A Brief History Of Christmas

Christmas is a Christian holiday that celebrates the birth of Jesus Christ. No one knows the exact date of Christ's birth, but most Christians observe Christmas on December 25. On this day, many go to church, where they take part in special religious services. During the Christmas season, they also exchange gifts and decorate their homes with holly, mistletoe, and Christmas trees. The word and Christmas trees. The word Christmas comes from Cristes maesse, an early English phrase that means Mass of Christ.

that means Mass of Christ.

The story of Christmas comes chiefly from the Gospels of Saint Luke and Saint Matthew in the New Testament. According to Luke, an angel appeared to shepherds outside the town of Bethlehem and told them of Jesus' birth. Matthew tells how the wise men, called Magi, followed a bright star that led them to Jesus bright star that led them to Jesus.

The first mention of December 25 as the birth date of Jesus occurred in A.D. 336 in an early Roman calendar. The celebration of this day as Jesus' birth date was probably influenced by pagan (unchristian) festivals held at that time. The ancient Romans held year-end celebrations to honor Saturn, their harvest god; and Mithras, the god of light. Various peoples in northern Europe held festivals in mid-December to celebrate the end of the harvest season. As part of all these celebrations, the people prepared special foods, decorated their homes with greenery, and joined in singing and gift giving. These customs gradually became part of the Christmas cele-

bration.

In the late 300's, Christianity became the official religion of the Roman Empire. By 1100, Christmas had become the most important religious festival in Europe, and Saint Nicholas was a symbol of gift giving in many European countries. During the 1400's and 1500's, many artists painted scenes of the Nativity, the birth of Jesus.

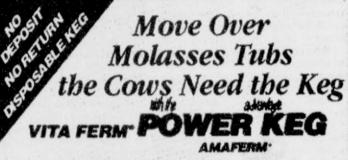
The popularity of Christmas grew until the Reformation, a religious movement of the 1500's. This movement gave birth to Protestantism. During the Reformation, many Christians began to consider Christmas a celebration because it included nonreligious customs. During the 1600's, because of these feelings, Christmas was out-

lawed in England and in parts of the English colonies in America. The old customs of feasting and decorating, however, soon reap-peared and blended with the more Christian aspects of the celebra-

In the 1800's, two more Christmas customs became popular--decorating Christmas trees and sending Christmas cards to relatives and friends. Many wellknown Christmas carols, including "Silent Night" and "Hark! The Herald Angels Sing," were composed during this period. In the Inited States and other countries, Santa Claus replaced Saint Nicholas as the symbol of gift givbecame increasingly important to many kinds of businesses during the 1900's. Today, companies manufacture Christmas ornaments, lights, and other decorations throughout the year. Other firms grow Christmas trees, holly, and mistletoe. Many stores and other businesses hire extra workers during the Christmas season to handle

the increase in sales.

The word Xmas is sometimes used instead of Christmas. This tradition began in the early Christian church. In Greek, X is the first letter of Christ's name. It was frequently used as a holy symwas frequently used as a holy sym-





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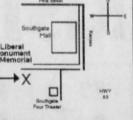
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#### Weese Named To Women's Coach Hall Of Fame

by Don Williams reprinted from the Lubbock Avalanche Journal

Now that intense game preparation no longer gets in the way of reflection, Dean Weese can enjoy his individual honors more.

One of his biggest was made public on Sunday.

The former Wayland Baptist and Levelland coach will be inducted into the Women's Basketball Hall of Fame next summer in Knoxville, TN. Weese retired in May after 42 seasons on the bench and 1,183 victories on the high school, college and pro levels.

"When you get through, they mean a little bit more than when you're still in business," Weese said, "It's a great honor."

Weese said he was notified of his inclusion about six week ago. The second class of Women's

Basketball Hall of Fame inductees is scheduled for enshrinement June 9-10, 2000. The honorees were revealed Sunday at halftime of No. 6 Louisiana Tech's 69-94 victory against No. 2 Tennessee in the Women's Tip-Off Classic at Knoxville

Weese capped his career the past 19 seasons at Levelland, winning 17 consecutive district titles from 1982-98, taking 10 teams to the state tournament and winning seven. His Loboettes posted a 551-85 record and a dozen 30-win sea-

Even before Levelland, Weese already was a South Plains coaching legend for his work at Wayland when women's basketball was still fighting for recognition in many corners of the country. From 1973-78, the small-school Flying Queens posted records of 37-5, 34-1, 34-5, 31-5, 33-5, and 24-10.

That earned Weese a one-season shot with the professional Dallas Diamonds before he went back to coaching in West Texas.

Weese, who will be making his first visit to Knoxville, acknowledged that the Hall of Fame recognition puts a ribbon around his

"It does," he said. "It's a great honor, I haven't been there. My son (Todd) was there this summer and said it was really, really nice and said I would really enjoy it. They had a lot about the Flying Queens and that sort of stuff. So it'll be interesting to go and see it."

Weese started his career at Higgins in 1957 and then built Spearman into a power from 1958-73, winning 13 district titles in a row and three state championships along the way

From 1963 through 1978, Weese's teams at Spearman and Wayland won at least 30 games for 15 consecutive seasons.

In all, he won 10 state championships and 30 or more games 27

### Moore Receives Good Conduct Medal

Cpl. Aaron Shawn Moore, son of Phillip T. and Sherry A. Moore of Spearman, recently received the Marine Corps Good Conduct Medal.

The medal recognizes the service member's honest and faithful service during a three-year period. To earn it, Moore achieved and maintained a satisfactory level of performance and an unblemished conduct record for the entire period.

Moore is currently assigned at 3rd Battalion 12th Marines, Camp Lejeune, North Carolina.

The 1995 graduate of Spearman High School joined the Marine Corps in May of 1996.

#### Spearman **Beautification Committee**

submitted by Gina Gillispie

Recently the Spearman Chamber of Commerce and the Hansford County Sheriff Department joined forces to kick off their upcoming eautification project. Sheriff R.L. McFarlin assigned the inmates to gather trash along Hwy. 207, Hwy. 15, and Hwy. 13. Your tax dollars are working for your community!

The Southwestern Pioneer Windmill Association hopes to host the 2002 International Trade Fair in Spearman, and plans are underway to improve the looks of our community. It will take all of us to accomplish

The first meeting of the Beautification Committee will be coming up in January 2000. If you are interested in working on this project, please call the Chamber of Commerce at 659-5555.

Remember, please don't be a litterbug!

#### It's A Boy!

Greg and Susie (Wood) Scott, of Tucson, AZ, wish to announce the pirth of their son, Travis Wood Scott.

Travis was born on November 25th in Tucson. He weighed 7 bounds, 10 ounces and was 20 inches long. Proud grandparents are Jess and Iris Wood of Gruver.

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#### Spearman Chamber **Elects New Officers**

The Spearman Chamber of Commerce membership has selected Sharion Cook, Lynn's Bait and Tackle; Jim Bob Reynolds, Interstate Bank, ssb; Gary Smith, Hansford County Reporter-Statesman; and Diane Maxwell, serving for Women's Division Past President (1-year term) to serve on the Board of Directors. They will serve a three-year term and are replacing Tami Kunselman, First National Bank; Worth Whitworth, First State Bank; and Elaine Cook, serving for Women's Division (1-year term).

Each year the out-going directors become the nominating committee to select a slate of six people to be voted on by the membership. A ballot is mailed to each member, and votes are tallied from all votes sub-

The Chamber Board would like to thank all those who are willing to serve the community of Spearman by agreeing to serve in this way.



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#### LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO CONDUCT WEATHER MODIFICATION OPERATIONS IN THE STATE OF TEXAS

Notice is hereby given that Panhandle Groundwater Conservation District, 201 W. 3rd St., P.O. Box 637, White Deer, Texas, contact person, Manager General (806/883-2501) has filed an application with the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission for a State permit to conduct weather modification operations to change or attempt to change the natural develop-ment of clouds for the purpose, objective, period, and by the method summarized herein

Panhandle Groundwater Conservation District submitted application for Weather modification license on November 4, 1999.

The purpose of the weather modification operation is to increase rainfall, to affect water resources and agriculture. The period of the permit is: April 1, 2000 through March 31, 2003.

4. The proposed weather modification operation is to be conducted for and on behalf of the Panhandle Groundwater Conservation District, P.O. Box 637, White Deer, Texas 79097.

The proposed weather modification operation is to be carried out in both an operational area and a target area to cause the intended effects to occur only in the target area. The operational area is those portions of the following counties within 30 miles of the outer boundary of the target Ochiltree, r. Briscoe, Lipscomb, Hansford, Swisher. Hartley, Deaf Smith, and Moore

6. The area to be affected by the proposed weather modification operation is the target area. The target area is the counties of Hutchison, Roberts, Carson, Hutchison, Roseray, Wheeler, Potter, Ha Armstrong Randall Collingsworth, Hall, Hemphill, Oldham, and Childress.

The methods and materials to be used in conducting this opera-tion are summarized herein: A licensed meteorologist will select cumuliform clouds for cloudseeding using a weather radar display, standard meteorological analysis, forecast techniques, observations, and plume dispersion models to initiate the release of the seeding particles, such as silver iodide crystals, from one or two aircraft at cloud top or cloud base at a time calculated to affect the formation of cumuliform

9. Persons interested in know-

ing more about the technical aspects of the proposed opera-tion should contact C.E. Williams, General Manager, Panhandle Groundwater Conservation District (806/883-2501) or the Water Planning and Assessment Division (512/239-0770) of the Commission.

9. A public hearing on this application may be called by mailing a petition that requests a hearing to he Executive Director, Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087. The petition must contain (1) the signature, full name, address and phone number of each person requesting; (2) a statement that each person is at least 18 years of age and resides or owns prop erty in the operational area; and (3) a description of each persons interest and how that interest would be adversely affected. Requests for hearing must be received by the Commission within 30 days of the last date the Notice of Intention is published in week one of the mandatory three-week period required by 289.71(j) of Commission rules. If at least 25 eligible persons make written request, the Commission shall hold a public hearing on an application prior to issuance of a permit. Individual members of the public who wish to inquire about the information contained in this notice, or to inquire about other agency permit applications or permitting procedures, should call the TNRCC Office of Public Assistance, Toll Free, at 1-800-687-4040. For more information concerning citizen participation, contact Blas J. Coy, Jr., Public Interest Council, MC-103, TNRCC, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087, (512/239-

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#### NOTICE TO ALL PERSONS HAVING CLAIMS AGAINST THE ESTATE OF JOHN O. DAHL

notice is hereby given that origi nal Letters Testamentary for the Estate of JOHN O. DAHL were issued on November 29, 1999 in Cause No. 2277, pending in the Court of Hansford County Court of Hansford County, Texas, to J.W. Ward, P.O. Box 272, Gruver, Texas 79040. All persons having claims against this estate, which is currently being administered, are required to present them within the time and in the manner prescribed by law. DATED the 29th day of

November, 1999.

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Attorney for the Estate

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NOTICE OF INTENTION TO CONDUCT WEATHER

MODIFICATION OPERATIONS IN THE STATE OF TEXAS

Date of the first of three weekly publications of th December 9, 199 Hansford County this notice: 1999, in the 1999, in the 1999, in the published' Statesman, Hansford County.

 Notice is hereby given that the North Plains Groundwater Conservation District has filed an application with the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission (TNRCC) for a State permit to conduct weather-modification operations to change, or attempt to change, the natural development of clouds for the purpose objective, period, and by the method summarized herein below.

The Groundwater Groundwater Conservation District has applied for a valid Texas weather modification

The purpose of the weathermodification operations is to increase rainfall to affect the area of the North Plains Groundwater Conservation District within the counties of Dallam, Sherman, Hansford, Ochiltree, Lipscomb. Hartley, Moore and Hutchinson. The requested period of the per mit is four years from the date of issuance by the TNRCC.

4. The proposed weather-modification operation is to be con-ducted on behalf of the North Groundwater Conservation District.

The proposed weather-modi-ication operations is to be earned out in both an operational area and a target area to cause the intended effects to occur only in the target area. The operational area includes a thirty-mile area west of the Texas -New Mexico state line adjacent to Dallam, Hartley, and Oldham Counties: a thirty-mile area north of the Texas-Oklahom state lane adjacent to Dallam, Sherman, Hansford, Ochiltree, and Lipscomb Counties: a thirty mile area east of the Texas-Oklahoma state line adjacent to Lipscomb and Hemphill counties; and the counties of Carson Hutchinson, Roberts, Hemphill, Oldham, and Potter

6. The area to be affected by the proposed weather-modification operation is the target area. The target area is that area described The area included within the boundaries of the North Plains Groundwater Conservation District. That is, the target area includes all or part of Dallam, Sherman, Hansford, Ochiltree, Lipscomb, Hartley, Moore, and

**Hutchinson Counties** The methods and materials to be used in conducting this operation include a licensed meteorologist who will select cumuliform or other appropriate clouds for

seeding, using a weather radar display, standard meteorological analysis, forecast techniques, surface weather observations, and pilot reports. The licensed meteorologist will direct one or more aircraft equipped with flare racks or generators to dispense either glaciogenic or hygroscopic seeding material into selected clouds to perform seeding opera-

8. Persons interested in know-ing more about Be technical aspects of the proposed opera-Bomar, MC-160, TNRCC, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087, (512) 239-0770.

9. A public hong on this applica-tion may be called by mailings a petition that requests a hearing to the Executive Director, Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-30g7. The petition must contain (1) the sig-nature, full name, address and phone number of each person requesting the hearing; (2) a statement that each person is at least 18 years of age and resides or owns property in tile opera-tional arm; and (3) a description of each person's interest and how that interest would be adversely affected. Requests for hearing must be received by the Commission within 30 days of the last date the Notice of Intention is published in week one of the mandatory three-week period required by 289.17(j) of Commission rules. If at least 25 eligible persons make written request, the Commission shall hold a public heating on an application prior to issuance of a per-

Individual members of the public who wish to inquire about the information contained in this notice, or to inquire about other agency permit applications or permitting procedures, should call the TNRCC Office of Public Assistance, Toll Free, at 1-800-687-4040. For more information concerning citizen participation, contact Blas J. Coy, Jr., Public Interest Council, MC-103, TNRCC, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-0087, (512) 239-6363.

In addition, individual members of Wee public who wish to inquire about the information contained in this notice or the proposed weather modification program may contact Richard S. Bowers, General Manager of the North Plains Groundwater Conservation District, 603 East First, P. O. Box 795, Dumas, Texas 79029-0795, (806) 935-

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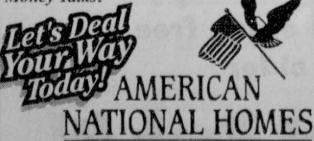
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GTE filed a statewide ELC surcharge application with the Public Utility Commission of Texas and has obtained final approval to charge customers a monthly surcharge of \$0.73 per line. Effective with the April 10, 1997 billing cycle, customers who do no presently pay the maximum of \$3.50 (residence) and \$7.00 (business) fees for Expanded Local Calling (ELC) will be assessed this surcharge. Customers will not be charged more than \$3.50 (residence) and \$7.00 (business) per line per month for up to five ELC exchanges. These maximum fees include the approved \$0.73

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The PUC has assigned this matter Project No. 21535. Interested persons should direct any comments that they may have about the petition to the PUC, P.O. Box 13326, Austin, Texas 78711-3326, or they may call the PUC Information Office at (512) 936-7140 or (512) 936-7136, teletypewriter for the deaf.

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El intercambio de Spearman ha solicitado a la Comisión de Servicio Público de Texas ("Public Utility Commission of Texas-PUC") la expansión de la área de sus Ilamadas locales, a los intercambios de Gruver, Perryton y Stinnett. Para aprender mas con respecto a esta solicitud, sírvase contactar con el/la coordinadors/a de la solicitud, Lisa Daniel al numero (806) 659-5606. Este servicio conocido como llamadas expandidas localmente (Expanded Local Calling-ELC), le permitirá llamar a estos intercambios y ser llamado/a como una llamada local (sin cargos adicionales). Todos los intercambios que reciban suficientes votos favorables serán añadidos a su área de llamadas locales por una tarifa mensual máxima total de ELC de no mayor de \$3.50 por cada línea para servicio residencial, \$7.00 para comercial.

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La PUC ha asignado a este Proyecto el Número 21535. Aquellas personas interesadas deberán dirigir cualquier comentario al respecto a la PUC, P.O. Box 13326, Austin, Texas 78711-3326, o llamar a la PUC-Oficina de Información al (512) 936-7140 o (512) 936-7136, teletipo de escribir para las personas que estánprivadas del sentido del oído.



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Pictured above is the new Christmas tree that the Hansford Hospital Auxiliary purchased for Hansford Manor.

#### Hansford Hospital Auxiliary News

The Hansford Hospital Auxiliary met on Monday, November 29, 1999 at the Palo Duro Cafe with President Jackie Graham presiding.

After a short business meeting and lunch they adjourned to the Hospital and Manor to decorate for Christmas. A new tree and decorations for the Manor were purchased.

Those present were: Jackie Graham, Mary Fern Terry, Muriel Boyd, May Lynn Ayers, Adalynn Barnes, LoRee Booth, Dorothy Lusby, Margarette Evans, Patty Sheppard, Betty Davis, Alva Garner, Virginia Head, Judy Yarbrough, Verna Brown, Rosalee Butt, Frances Cudd, Peggy Ellsworth, and Lorene Kunselman.

#### **Hansford Manor Empty Stocking Fund**

The Hansford Manor Empty Stocking Fund is now accepting donations.

The Hansford Manor Empty Stocking Fund raises money each year to purchase items needed for Hansford Manor residents who are unable to purchase the items themselves. This fund was originally set up to be used to purchase Christmas gifts for residents who had no family or resources. The needs, however, have expanded, and the fund is used as needed throughout the year.

Money is raised through local donations and fundraisers,

In December each year, the Manor has a crafts bazaar and bake sale, with all the proceeds going to the Empty Stocking Fund. This year's sale was held on December 3rd.

Memorials are accepted throughout the year. Donations are also accepted throughout the year, but most are made during the Christmas season.

Items purchased in the past include clothing, shoes, glasses, medical supplies not covered by Medicare or Medicaid, artificial limbs, hearing aids, dental care, Christmas gifts, etc.

In 1996, an Empty Stocking Tree was established. The names of residents who have no family to buy Christmas gifts for them are placed on a card and hung on the tree. Listed on each card are suggestions for Christmas gifts, the resident's sizes, and any needs the resident may have. The cards are numbered to protect the confidentiality of the residents.

Individuals and groups are invited to come and pick up a card and shop for a resident. The tree is located in the foyer at Hansford Manor. Presents will need to be returned to the Manor (wrapped, if possible) by December 14th, so the Activity Staff will have time to make sure that each resident will have some gifts under the tree at

the Christmas party on the 17th.

Donations received as of December 6th for the Manor Empty Stocking Fund are: Hansford Hospital Auxiliary - in memory of Jettie Davis, Virginia Head and John and Virginia Trindle

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