

At A Glance

Green Thumb, Inc. Seeking Applicants

Green Thumb, Inc. is looking for applicants in Hansford County.

Green Thumb, Inc. is one of ten national organizations that, along with the governors of each state, operate the Senior Community Service Employment Program with funding from the Older American's Act through the U.S. Department of Labor.

Participants must be at least 55 years old, eligible to work in the United States and meet income guidelines.

Senior participants receive community service work experience, supervision, and training from their assignments to local non-profit organizations, such as senior centers, municipalities, libraries, museums, schools and day care centers.

Participants work an average of twenty hours per week at minimum wage. Wages and fringe benefits are paid by Green Thumb, Inc. Participants are provided work experience, training, skill assessment, counseling and supportive services to help them in obtaining permanent employment.

Green Thumb, Inc. is a non-profit organization whose mission is to strengthen families, communities, and our nation by providing disadvantaged and older individuals with opportunities to learn, work and serve others. Green Thumb, Inc. operates the Senior Community Service Employment Program with funding from Title VI of the Older Americans Act through the U.S. Department of Labor.

For more information call Kathy Bryant 659-3030.

Ag Commissioner Reminds Producers About Linked Deposit Program

Farmers and ranchers who suffered agricultural losses from the December ice storms may be able to get help from the Texas Department of Agriculture's Linked Deposit Program, says Agriculture Commissioner Susan Combs.

To be eligible for the Linked Deposit Program, producers must have suffered an agricultural loss in a county that has received a Presidential or Secretarial Disaster Declaration due to a natural disaster. Those eligible must also have a loan approved by an eligible lender who then will submit the completed application to the Texas Agricultural Finance Authority for approval. If approved the rate on the bank's loan would be reduced to an interest rate that is established at the time of closing. The maximum loan amount financed for disaster relief under the Linked Deposit Program is \$250,000.

The Linked Deposit Program can also assist producers with water conservation projects such as brush control or for the purchase of water conservation equipment.

For more information on the Linked Deposit Program, contact the Texas Agricultural Finance Authority at the Texas Department of Agriculture at (512) 475-1614.

Cost-Share Signup Deadline Nearing

The Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) has set the signup deadline for the 2001 Environmental Quality Incentive Program (EQIP). The application deadline for the 2001 program year is March 30, 2001. Applications from individual landowners interested in participating in the EQIP during the 2001 program year received before March 30 will be ranked for program eligibility during the month of April. This will be the last cost-share funds available until approximately this same time next year.

To learn more about EQIP or to submit an EQIP contract application, contact the NRCS at 909 West 9th in Spearman, or call 659-2330.

SHS One-Act Play Performs At District Competition

The members of the Spearman One-Act Play performed on Tuesday, March 27th at the District Competition held at the Branding Iron Theatre at West Texas A&M University in Canyon.

For their role in *Crimes of the Heart*, Christy Alverado was named to the All-Star Cast, and Erin Boxwell and Angela Pipkin were named to the Honorable Mention All-Star Cast.

Cast members include: Erin Boxwell as Babe Botrell, Christy Alverado as Meg Magrath, Angela Pipkin as Lenny Magrath, Tashi Schumann as Chick, Richard Varnon as Barnette Lloyd, and Randy Duffy as Doc Porter.

Crew members include: Nicole Ramon, Brianne Burkhammer, Michel Huffaker, and Melissa Banks.

Alternates are Amber Elliott, Tiffany Hendricks and Amanda Adams. The play was directed by Russ Chisum.



Pictured above are the cast members of "Crimes of the Heart." They are (L-R) Erin Boxwell, Richard Varnon, Angela Pipkin, Randy Duffy, Tashi Schumann and Christy Alverado

Spearman Grad Wins First For Radio Drama

Jennifer Laxson, a sophomore at West Texas A&M University is now a National Champion.

Laxson spent her Spring Break in Los Angeles with her chapter of the National Broadcasting Society at the 2001 National Convention. The convention brought together over 300 of the best student broadcasters from colleges around the country. There her regional award winning radio drama "Bus 2448" won 1st place on the national level. Bobbie Waldroop of Tulia and Kindra Holman of Amarillo also won for their participation in her drama.

Ms. Laxson enjoyed making contacts with showbiz names such as Meg LaFours, Jodie Foster's producer and Jack Giest, a visual artist for the films *Red Planet* and *Deep Blue Sea*.

Her other experiences in LA included attending the taping of the television shows, *Politically Incorrect* with Bill Maher and *Mad TV*. She visited the Museum of Radio & Television and toured the best of LA.

Jennifer continues to attend WTAMU and work at KWRS 91.1 and with Maroon Productions, a student-internship that creates most of WTAMU commercials and recruiting videos. She will take the General Manager position at KWTS this summer.

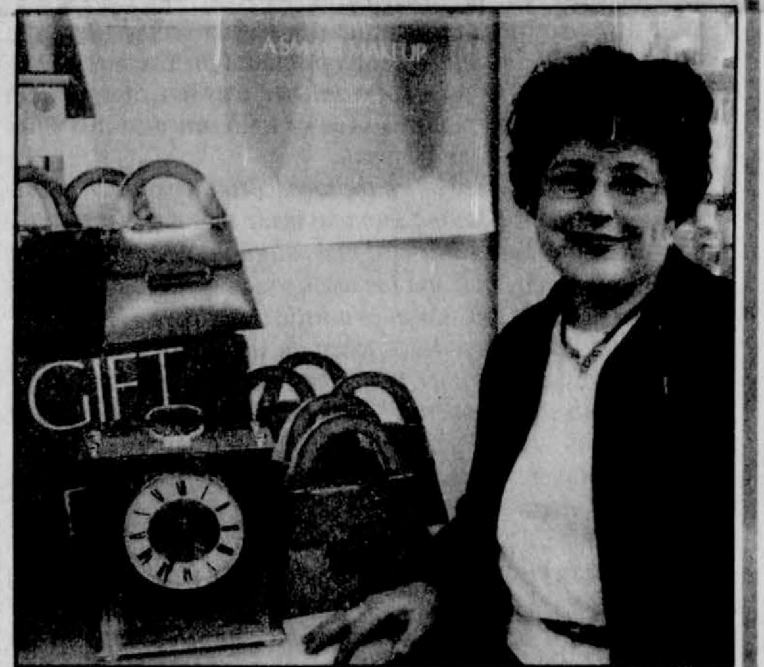
Jennifer is the daughter of Paulette Laxson.



Jennifer Laxson

Estee Lauder Honors Local Business

The sweet smell of twenty years of success is celebrated by Eulalia Blankenship of Lady Fair and Estee Lauder, Inc. In commemoration of the Spearman business's twenty year association with the company, Estee Lauder sent congratulations and a gold clock to honor the store's commitment to quality and promotion of Estee Lauder products.



Father, Son Remembered for Defending the Law

The Martin family knows a hero when they see one. Two in their family have given their lives to defend the law in the past century.

Sheriff R.E. Martin served Hansford County from 1908 until his death on February 11, 1911.

After his son, E. Clarence Martin lost all he had in the Depression and drought, he moved his family to Los Animas, Colorado from Hansford County. There he started working with the police force. He worked his way up, eventually taking the chief of police position in Los Animas.

A drunken brawl broke out on the night of April 20, 1947 to which the police responded.

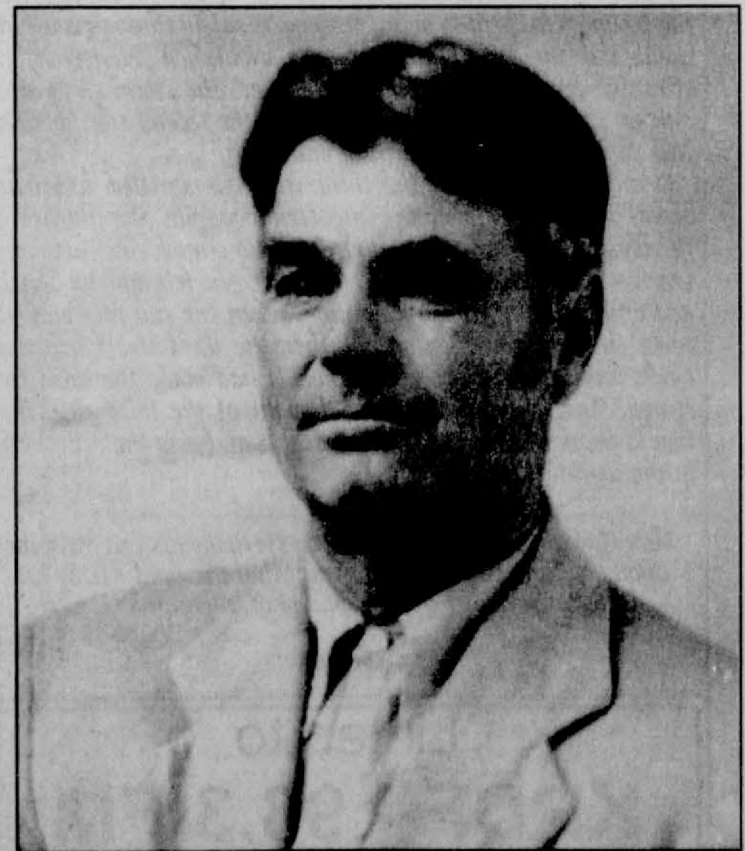
"They called it 'line of duty,'" said his daughter, Yvette McCammond of Spearman.

Soon after the fight was suspended, Mr. E. Clarence Martin suffered a heart attack.

This May 13, the National Law Enforcement Memorial Fund will honor Mr. Martin for his dedication and bravery in defending the law with his life. His name will be added to the memorial with other fallen law enforcement officers.

"He is being honored for exerting himself in trying to get some men from fighting," said Mrs. McCammond.

Mrs. McCammond and her brother, who moved back to Spearman after World War II in 1949 and 1947 respectively, still



Mr. E. Clarence Martin

reside here. The National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial is located in Washington, D.C on the 400 block of E. Street NW.

What's Going at at Spearman Schools

- April 2 - 2nd Round District Boys' Golf Meet - Pampa
- April 3 - 2nd Round District Girls' Golf Meet - Pampa
- April 4 - UIL Band Contest - Boys Ranch
- April 4-5 - HS Science Field Trip - Texas Tech University
- April 5 - Elementary Group Pictures/ Dual Memories Pictures
- April 5-6 - District Tennis Tournament
- April 7 - Junior High District Track Meet - Spearman
- April 9 - 7th & 8th grade Parent Meeting for D.C. Trip - Cracker Box Gym
- April 9 - Regular School Board Meeting - HS Library at 7 p.m.
- April 10 & 12 - High School District Track Meet - Canadian
- April 10-11 - UIL Choir Concert - WTAMU
- April 11 - Two hour early dismissal for Holiday
- April 12 - No School/Bad Weather Holiday
- April 13 & 16 - No School / Easter Holiday
- April 23-24 - Regional Golf Meet
- April 24 - TAAS Mathematics Test (Grades 3-8)
- April 25 - TAAS Reading Test (Grades 3-8)
- April 26 - TAAS Social Studies Test (Grade 8)
- April 27 - TAAS Science Test (Grade 8)
- April 25-26 - Regional Tennis Tournament - Abilene
- April 27-28 - Regional Track Meet - Abilene
- April 29 - May 2 - Junior High D.C. Trip

Laugh
and
Live



by Catherine R. Smith
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I can't remember if I have run this story before or not, but I felt with Easter approaching that it was fitting. I hope you enjoy it (even if you have heard it before).

Three Little Trees

Once upon a mountain top, three little trees stood and dreamed of what they wanted to become when they grew up.

The first little tree looked up at the stars and said, "I want to hold treasure. I want to be covered with gold and filled with precious stones. I'll be the most beautiful treasure chest in the world!"

The second little tree looked out at the small stream trickling by on it's way to the ocean. "I want to be traveling mighty waters and carrying powerful kings. I'll be the strongest ship in the world!"

The third little tree looked down into the valley below where busy men and women worked in a busy town. "I don't want to leave the mountain top at all. I want to grow so tall that when people stop to look at me, they'll raise their eyes to heaven and think of God. I will be the tallest tree in the world!"

Years passed. The rain came, the sun shone and the little trees grew tall. One day three woodcutters climbed the mountain.

The first woodcutter looked at the first tree and said, "This tree is beautiful. It is perfect for me." With a swoop of his shining axe, the first tree fell. "Now I shall be made into a beautiful chest, I shall hold wonderful treasure!" The first tree said.

The second woodcutter looked at the second tree and said, "This tree is strong. It is perfect for me." With a swoop of his shining axe, the second tree fell. "Now I shall sail mighty waters!" thought the second tree. "I shall be a strong ship for mighty kings!" The third tree felt her heart sink when the last woodcutter looked her way. She stood straight and tall and pointed bravely to heaven. But the woodcutter never even looked up. "Any kind of tree will do for me." He muttered. With a swoop of his shining axe, the third tree fell.

The first tree rejoiced when the woodcutter brought her to a carpenter's shop. But the carpenter fashioned the tree into a feed-box for animals. The once beautiful tree was not covered with gold nor with treasure. She was coated with saw dust and filled with hay for hungry farm animals.

The second tree smiled when the woodcutter took her to a shipyard, but no mighty sailing ship was made that day. Instead the once strong tree was hammered and sawed into a simple fishing boat. She was too small and too weak to sail to an ocean, or even a river; instead she was taken to a little lake.

The third tree was confused when the woodcutter cut her into strong beams and left her in a lumberyard. "What happened?" The once tall tree wondered. "All I ever wanted was to stay on the mountain top and point to God..."

Many, many days and nights passed. The three trees nearly forgot their dreams.

But one night, golden starlight poured over the first tree as a young woman placed her newborn baby in the feedbox. "I wish I could make a cradle for him," her husband whispered. The mother squeezed his hand and smiled as the starlight shone on the smooth and the sturdy wood. "This manger is beautiful," she said. And suddenly the first tree knew he was holding the greatest treasure in the world.

One evening a tired traveler and his friends crowded into the old fishing boat. The traveler fell asleep as the second tree quietly sailed out into the lake. Soon a thundering and thrashing storm arose. The little tree shuddered. She knew she did not have the strength to carry so many passengers safely through with the wind and the rain. The tired man awakened. He stood up, stretched out his hand and said, "Peace." The storm stopped as quickly as it had begun. And suddenly, the second tree knew he was carrying the king of heaven and earth.

One Friday morning, the third tree was startled when her beams were yanked from the forgotten woodpile. She flinched as she was carried through an angry, jeering crowd. She shuddered when soldiers nailed a man's hand to her. She felt ugly and harsh and cruel. But on Sunday morning, when the sun rose and the earth trembled with joy beneath her, the third tree knew that God's love had changed everything. It had made the third tree strong. And, every time people thought of the third tree, they would think of God. That was better than being the tallest tree in the world.

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

Catherine :)

Blowin' In The Wind

by Dwayne Mitchell

Time to get going on the Windmill Trade Fair for June, 2002, to be hosted by Spearman and the Southwestern Pioneer Windmill Association. The first of many planning meetings was held this week for the convention, and also the landscape committee met to do its planning.

If you have an interest in convention plans, landscaping, windmill restoration, etc. please call Gina at the Chamber of Commerce 659-5555. June, 2002 seems a long way off, but it will be here very quickly.

The 2001 Windmillers' and Trade Fair is going to be in June in Comstock, Nebraska, a small town of 200 to 300 people. The literature from Comstock make it appear that we have a challenge ahead to have the best windmill convention ever.

We may anticipate that attendance at the Spearman convention will be higher than usual because of the J. B. Buchanan Windmill Collection and Mr. Buchanan himself. Windmillers that might pass up a convention will want to come to Spearman to see the collection and meet the man whose windmills are known to collectors worldwide and who has two mills in the Smithsonian.

The SPWA is going to need the help of everyone in Spearman, Hansford County and surrounding

area. The response to the windmill park, restoration of windmills, furnishing the windmill barn, adoption of windmills, etc. has been great, but more is going to be required in the next 14-15 months.

DEMPSTER #11

The Dempster No. 11, self-oiling 10 foot wooden wheel mill at First State Bank is number 8 in the brochure describing all the mills in Spearman.

The Dempster No. 11 is a transitional windmill design of the 1920's. The mill recognizes the need of self-oiling mills and takes a first step toward that goal.

The mill could be ordered with either a steel or wooden wheel. The FSB's mill is a wooden wheel beauty with white blades, tipped in red, and the trailing edge of the vane is outlined in red, and the lettering on the vane is in black.

The Dempster #11 is governed like other mills in that the wheel is set slightly to one side so that as the winds gets stronger, the wheel automatically turns toward the vane and out of the wind. The mill can be completely shut off by a friction brake operated by wire from the ground.

The self-lubrication is unusual. A "dipper" lifts lubricant from the oil reservoir to special channels which feed the oil to the main bearings. It lubricates the bearings and the

excess flows back to the reservoir. The reservoir and the moving parts are protected by a distinctive galvanized steel hood which has a triangular profile when seen from front or rear.

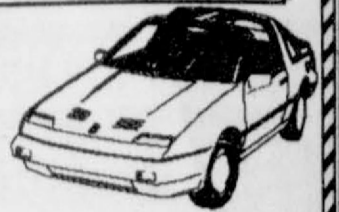
The Dempster Windmill Company began in 1885 in Beatrice, Nebraska by C. B. Dempster. The company eventual-

ly became Dempster Industries and built windmills at least through 1985.

The information about the Dempster #11 came from T. Lindsay Baker's A Field Guide to American Windmills which has a very comprehensive discussion of Dempster mills in it. Hansford Library has a copy.

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Pastor - Roland Haney

First Assembly of God
401 N. Bernice • 659-2295
Sunday School: 9:30 a.m.
Worship: 10:35 a.m.
Kid's Church: 10:35 a.m.
Evening Worship: 7 p.m.
Wed. Worship: 7:30 p.m.
Youth: 7:30 Wednesday
Pastor - Walter Greaser, Jr.

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

First Baptist Church
123 N. Bernice • 659-5557
Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.
Worship: 11 a.m.
Evening Worship: 7 p.m.
Wed. Fellowship Meal: 6 p.m.
Wed. Disc. Time: 6:30 p.m.
Wed. Youth Mtg.: 8 p.m.
Pastor -
Youth/Ed. Min. - Brian Foster

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

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901 Roland • 659-2792
Sat. Night Mass: 5:30 p.m.
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Sun. Mass: 11:30 - Spanish
1:30 p.m. - Gruver - Christo
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Rev. Scott Raef

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Worship Service &
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Pastor - Dennis Alger

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1021 Cotter • 659-2033
Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. at
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Worship: 11 a.m. (alternates monthly
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Pastor - Beverly Cook

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1101 Bernice • 659-2252
(Worships with
First Presbyterian Church)

First United Methodist
407 S. Harey • 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
31 S. Endicott • 659-2644
Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.
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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Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.
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Worship: 10:50 a.m.
Disciple Training: 6 p.m. Sunday
Prayer Meeting: 7:30 p.m. Wednesday
Pastor - Scott Curry

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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
510 King • 733-2960
Sunday School: 10:00 a.m.
Sunday Worship: 11 a.m.
Youth: 7:30 Sunday
Adult Bible Study: 7:30 Sun.
Wed. Bible Study: 8:00 p.m.
Pastor - Gary Gumfroy

Oalo Lutheran Church (ELCA)
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North of Gruver
339-7709
Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.
Worship: 11 a.m.

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Worship: 8:30 & 10:50 a.m.
Eve. Worship & UMY: 6 p.m.
Pastor - Jerry Moore

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Happy Birthday!

Editor's Note: This 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

March 29

Birthday - Lacy Barkley, Dixie Karlin, Joshua Kirby, Jessica Stork, Josephine Salgado, Scott Beedy, Melissa Taylor, Wanda Burke, Tiki Farrar, Chad Guthrie, Dallan Scroggs, David West, Marg Cook, Janis Maupin, Josh Harris, Jeann Thompson, Scot Martin, Ruth Shields, Ramon Garcia Jr., Greyson Karlin
Anniversary - Bernie & Steve Ryan

March 30

Birthday - Jesus Favela, Loni Lamb, Vi Hornsby, Mrs. Elmer Longley, Nikki Strawn, Grady Cline, Denae Baker, Jimmy Blain, Heather Cline, Krystal Burkhammer, Shane Atwood, Mike Schick, Marvin Sparks, Dorothy Longley
Anniversary - Curtis & Marlene Davis Mr. & Mrs. Tom Spivey, Mr. & Mrs. Ruben De Santiago

March 31

Birthday - Reaetta Gammon, Crystal Gruver, Ken Jones, Comfort Winders, Kay Patterson, Nellie Buchanan, Dionne Pencille, Santiago Tercero Jr., Johnny Vernon, Cheryl Linde, Johinda Wilson, David Flowers, Cortney Valdez, Teresa Carter, Weston Castillo, Kenton Johnson
Anniversary - Mr. & Mrs. Chuck Sparkman, Mr. & Mrs. Daniel Miser, Mr. & Mrs. Jim Bass, Mr. & Mrs. Dan Carthel, Mr. & Mrs. Allan Beasley, Mr. & Mrs. David Miser

April 1

Birthday - Cynthia Henson, Matt Messer, Chris Stork, Wayne Ware, Bob Hohertz, Lorie Acevedo, Jack Duncan, Tanner Brown, Elizabeth Duncan, Ashlynn Miner

April 2

Birthday - Margaret Odom, Dorothy O'Connell, Norma Hermosillo, Kyle Keim, Steve Templeton, Pam Barber, Phillip Turner, Amy Schoenhals, Paulene Galvon, Eugene Sadler
Anniversary - Bob & Debra Dennis

April 3

Birthday - Bob Gillispie, Don Rempel, Brenda Rudolph, Pam Buzzard, Teri Taylor, Bill Gaither, Doris Beck, Jeff Williamson, Eric Varnon, Ryan Noble, Jared Bass, Tracy Graham, Katie Baehler, Mo Nollner
Anniversary - Mr. & Mrs. Ben Upchurch

April 4

Birthday - Frank Pittman, Sandy TeBeest, Glenn Mackie, Byron Jones, Billy Snider, Lola Salgado, Monte Morris, Randall Schnell, Mark Landon Brown, Carlos Lopez, Midge Mahaffy, Don Ladd, Ruby Hull, Ramona Reynolds, Violet Lee, David Turner, Brandon Traylor, Ayana Rosales
Anniversary - Rick & Elanie Morris

April 5

Birthday - Becky Cassidy, Jimmy Finley, Carrie Pressley, Vana Stapleton, Steve TeBeest, Carla Brown, W.E. Sparks, Dickie Allen, Juanita Rodriguez, Deann Green, Deanne Ochoa, Paul Welch, Jimmie Davis, Irene Auld, Darla Jenkins, Leon Bagwell, Wendell Ralston, Kelcee Rex, Sara Jenkins, Vanna Reid
Anniversary - Mr. & Mrs. Jack Weldon

April 6

Birthday - Margaret Ralston, Trey Roberts, Jerry Sparks, Eddie Rogers, Cindy Patterson, Bailey Lee Patterson, Redonna Moore, Cameron Kunsleman, Douglas Barnes, Tim Wooley, Ann Sheets, Oberto Balderama Jr.
Anniversary - Dale & Onie Moyer, Kenny & Brenda Red, Mr. & Mrs. Skipper Beal, Mr. & Mrs. Robert Meyer, Mr. & Mrs. Emit Schmidt

Our Deepest Sympathy

Elda Lavona Patterson

Elda Lavona Patterson, 81, died Wednesday, March 21, 2001 in her home

Graveside services were at 11 a.m. Saturday, March 24, 2001 in Holt Cemetery in Spearman with the Rev. John Denton officiating. Burial is under the direction of Meadors Funeral Homes in Republic, MO.

Mrs. Patterson was born October 10, 1919 in Mayfield, KS to Fred Charles and Iva Mae (Thompson) McClellan. A longtime resident of the Republic area, she was a homemaker and a member of the Billings Baptist Church. She was united in marriage to Joseph Bailey Patterson, Jr. on February 1, 1936 and he preceded her in death.

She was preceded in death by her parents, a son, Ronald Patterson, an infant son, two brothers and one sister.

She is survived by one son and his wife, Donald and Marie Patterson and one daughter, Nelda McCord, all of Republic; a brother, Dennis McClellan of Friona; a sister, Roberta Meier of Mountain View, MO; five grandchildren; five great-grandchildren and nieces and nephews.

Memorial contributions may be made to Hospice of Southwest Missouri.

Burton Adolph Olsen

Burton Adolph Olsen, 78, lifelong Oslo community resident, died Saturday, March 24, 2001 at his home.

Funeral services were on Tuesday, March 27 at Oslo Lutheran Church with Pastor Paul Fiske, officiating. Interment will follow in Oslo Lutheran Cemetery under the direction of Henson-Novak Funeral Directors of Guymon.

The son of Bergit Helene (Jensen) and Gustav Adolph Olsen, he was born August 31, 1922 in Oslo. He was baptized and confirmed in the Oslo Lutheran Church and served in the United States Army during World War II. He was united in marriage to Mary Frances Crabtree on November 24, 1954 in Stratford, Texas. He was engaged in farming and ranching.

He was preceded in death by a brother, Gordon H. Olsen and two sisters, Marcella Hill and Luanna Row.

Survivors include his wife of 46 years, Mary; two sons, Jon G. Olsen and wife Mary E. and B. Wayne Olsen, all of Oslo; two sisters, Genevieve O. Miller of Dawn, TX and Camilla Thompson and husband H.M. Thompson of Fertile, MN; and one brother, Marvin T. Olsen of Amarillo.

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HANSFORD HAPPENINGS

Marketing Workshop Set for March 29

Say the word "marketing" and most business owners and organizational leaders think "selling and advertising." While selling and advertising are an important part of marketing, there are more important elements you must understand to be successful. In a seminar, Thursday, March 29 at 7 p.m. at the Fellowship Hall of Spearman Church of Christ, Don Taylor will share proven marketing principles that business owners can use to grow their sales and profits and leaders of community organizations can use to increase awareness and build respect. Topics covered will include "The primary goals of good marketing," "The seven marketing principals that never fail," "The Marketing Power Pyramid and how to use it," "Why most marketing efforts fall far short," and "The differences between marketing "tangibles" and "invisibles." This free seminar is sponsored by the Texas Agricultural Extension Service. Call Peggy Winegarner or Burt Williams, County Extension Agents at 659-4130 or 733-2901 for more information.

Walk Across Texas To Begin

Walk Across Texas is a fun and flexible way to exercise. It provides people with the necessary support to not only start walking, but also find a group that can keep them walking even when they feel like quitting. Teams are made up of eight people who want to keep track of the amount they walk for eight weeks. Walking, running, biking, aerobics, swimming, all count in the total mileage. Exercise can be done individually or with team members. About 6,000 Texans participated in the program last year with 164 of those being from Hansford County. Walk Across Texas starts April 1 and will end on May 26. To find out how you can Walk Across Texas, call Peggy Winegarner, County Extension Agent at 659-4130 or 733-2901.

Class Offered to Health Care Professionals

"Hospital Documentation Update" is the title of a continuing education program to be presented from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Tuesday, April 10, 2001 at Seward County Community College, Student Union Upstairs Classroom #214, 1801 North Kansas Avenue, Liberal, KS. The program is co-sponsored by Southwest Kansas Area Health Education Center and Seward County Community College. The speaker will be Terry Siek, RN, BSN, Hospital Education Director. This program will provide a maximum of four (4) contact hours and is designed for RNs, LPNs and Healthcare Professionals. For more information please contact The University of Kansas Medical Center/ Southwest Kansas Area Health Education Center, 1501 Fulton Terrace, Suite 1, Garden City KD, 67846 or (316) 275-0259.

Gruver PTA To Hold Potato Supper

Gruver PTA will sponsor a Potato Supper on Tuesday, April 10 from 5 - 6:30 p.m. in the fellowship hall of the Gruver Methodist. Tickets may be purchased from PTA members or at the door for \$5 for adults and \$3 for children 11 and under. The supper will precede the 7 p.m. elementary musical.

Genealogy Society Seeks Yearbook

The Hansford Genealogy Society is looking for a Spearman High School yearbook for 1925, 1926, 1927, or 1928. If you have one, or know where to locate one, please contact Nita Bynum at 659-2842 or 659-2722. If no answer, please leave message.

Stir-Fry Theme for Lunch & Learn

"The Art of Stir-Fry Cooking" will be the topic for Lunch & Learn on Thursday, March 29 from 12 - 1 p.m. at the Fellowship Hall of Spearman Church of Christ. Jackie Pearson will present the program and lunch will be served. Donations for lunch are accepted. The program is sponsored by Texas Agricultural Extension Service. For more information, call Peggy Winegarner, County Extension Agent at 659-4130 or 733-2901.

Auxiliary Sets Spring Luncheon

The Hansford Hospital Auxiliary Spring Luncheon will be held on April 2, 2001 at the First Christian Church at 11:30 a.m. Please come and bring a salad.

Meeting Scheduled To Plan Heritage Days

You are invited to a meeting on Tuesday, April 3 at 7 p.m. at the Palo Duro Cafe to discuss the Annual Heritage Days Celebration to be held on Saturday, June 9, 2001. There will be a list of games and activities for your club or organization to sign up for as fundraising booths or just to provide community enjoyment. The parade will begin promptly at 10:49 a.m. followed by the Spearman Fire Department BBQ, and the Street Dance at 9 p.m. Many other activities are being planned and will be scheduled soon. If you wish to have a float in the parade, have a food or fun booth or any other activity, please fill in this form and bring to the meeting. If you or a representative are unable to attend please fax to the Spearman Chamber of Commerce at (806) 659-5923, e-mail to spearman@arn.net, mail to PO Box 161 or call Gina at (806)659-5555.

Education Scholarship Available For Gruver Grad

The Gruver Classroom Teachers' Association is offering a scholarship for a Gruver High School graduate who has complete at least 60 hours of accredited college course work. The student must have a GPA of 3.0 or higher and be a declared education major. Applications can be picked up in the Superintendent's office. An official transcript must be submitted with the application by July 1 to Gruver ISD, Attn. Gruver CTA, Box 650, Gruver, Texas 79040. For more information call the Superintendent's office at 733-2001.

Quilt Fest Set For April 6th & 7th

The Ogallala Quilters' Society will hold its Fourth Annual Quilt Festival, Friday and Saturday, April 6-7 at the Expo Building in Dimmitt. The Festival features a quilt show with over 375 quilts, 10 unique crazy quilts, free demonstrations, quilt and food vendors, trunk shows and quilting classes. Admission is \$3. Thursday night will be "Fajita Night" and Friday night will be "Steak Night." For more information on class fees or meal tickets, contact Bill Sava at (806)647-2524, Darlene Collins at (806) 647-5585 or Joyce Davis at (806) 647-5362.

Among The Neighbors

by Helen Fisher

Congratulations to Kaylee Holt of Gruver, on winning All-Around Cowgirl at the Tri-State High School rodeo at Canyon two weeks ago. She won first in Break-away; 3rd in barrels.

Marty Eakin won All-Around cowboy with 1st in saddle bronc, 2nd in team-roping, 2nd in steer-wrestling.

Randy Collard, now of Midland, Michigan, visited his mother Dorcus Collard, last weekend. It was her birthday so he arranged a small dinner party at the El Vaquero in Gruver.

He flew back to Michigan on Monday. Due to school other family members couldn't accompany him. Dorcus' daughter, D'dee, is teaching in Maria College in Albany, New York.

Howell and Sandra Phelps spent last weekend here with his parents, Ray and Beth Phelps. They live in Austin.

Janice Phelps, Dallas, was here this weekend. All came to observe the birthdays of Beth and Ruth Bryan - twins. Which birthday - that is left for conjecture.

Chuck Eaton and daughter, Mikah of Mansfield, Texas came last Thursday to visit his parents, Joanne and Charles Eaton. They also visited other relatives here and in Dumas before leaving on Sunday.

Margaret and Kenneth Evans returned last weekend from two weeks down state. Driving down leisurely to Tyler, Henderson and Nacogdoches, they enjoyed visiting places of interest.

They went on to Austin where Kenneth attended the association of the State Water Development convention.

When it was over, they went to San Antonio and visited with a cousin of Kenneth's. At Beaumont they went down the coast to Galveston, Freeport and Houston.

Their son, Gary Evans and his family live in Houston. They had a good visit with him. He teaches there. On Saturday, they attended the marriage ceremony for the grandson, Chris Evans, son of Gary.

Other Spearman guests at the wedding were Cheryl and Ryan Hill and Jennifer Whitefield.

On the return trip, they were fascinated by the fields of the bluebonnets in full bloom.

Cleo Cotter showed pioneer woman traits last Friday when she saved their rural home from burning. Those terrific winds on Thursday had bent the vent pipe on the wall panel heater in their attached garage and started a fire in the wall. Cleo smelled the

smoke and located the fire. She called the Spearman fire department, backed both cars out, and started hosing the fire.

Omar and Josh Gilley were out checking cattle but saw the fire truck and ambulance arriving and rushed from the pasture. Cleo was able to contain the fire and prevent its spreading to the house.

Judy and Dennis Nelson returned Wednesday from several days in Washington, D.C. They left here Wednesday, the 21st, to help their grandson, Noah, celebrate his first birthday. He is the son of Kyla and Tom Sell of D.C.

It was a fine celebration and immediately afterward they went to another birthday party - this one for Larry Combest whose birthday is the same as Noah's.

Judy Sell of Amarillo, his other grandmother, also attended the parties.

Estelle Jackson is enjoying being back in her home after a good visit with daughter Kay and Dan Wade. They live on South Padre Island which is usually an ideal place to be in cold weather. However this time it was cold and unpleasant, but Estelle, keeping abreast of the Panhandle weather felt it was time well spent.

Myrtle DeArmond, suffering from double pneumonia, was taken to Baptist-St. Anthony's in Amarillo. She left Hansford Hospital by ambulance but was transferred enroute to medivac.

As of this writing, she is still in CCU and relatives report some improvement.

Chris Womble has regained his composure after a frightening accident Friday evening in Guymon.

Chris had unloaded hogs from the semi-truck that he drives for Texas Farms and was turning at the intersection of Highway 54 and county road #31, and was facing west at 7:15 in the evening. The lights of an oncoming locomotive blended with the coming traffic lights.

The train struck the tail-end of the trailer and caused the entire rig to overturn. The trailer was a total loss with about ten feet sheared off; the truck was not badly damaged. Chris was taken to the Guymon hospital by ambulance but was not injured - just as a precautionary measure.

Gale Womble drove to Guymon to bring him home.

The report from Sharon Reed is that she is up and about and doing fine after undergoing major surgery. It was done last Tuesday at Baptist St. Anthony's

Dwayne's weather report for the week of 3-19 through 7 a.m. 3-26: The high temp was on 3-21 at 83 degrees; the lowest on 3-26 at 27 degrees moisture for the week .51 with one inch of snow; 1.28 total for the month and 4.26 for the year to date.

This Monday morning what a joy was the too brief visit with Jamie Anne Stegman and her precious little son and daughter. They are visiting her mother Anne and Pat Northcutt in Amarillo and spent the weekend here at the Riley farm. They are from Otego, New York.

Find the names of 16 books from the Bible below without the aid of your Bible ---Gary, we expect you to find them in 20 minutes.

I once made the remark about the hidden books of the Bible. It was a lulu! keep people looking so hard for facts...and for others it was a revelation. Some were in a jam, especially since the names of the books were not capitalized. But the truth finally struck home to numbers of our readers. To others it was a real job. We want it to be a most fascinating few moments for you. Yes, there will be some really easy ones to spot. Others may require judges to help them. I will quickly admit it usually takes a minister to find one of them, and there will be loud lamentations when it is found. A little lady says she brews a cup of tea so she can concentrate better. See how well you can compete. Relax now, for there really are sixteen names of books of the Bible in this paragraph.

Out At The Lake

by Dorothy Hudson

3/26/01

Lake level: 45 feet

Temperature: 44 degrees

The fishing has been poor this week. The water temperature has not changed over three degrees in the last month. Spring-like days are bringing more people to the lake, though.

We had three R.V. campers for the weekend. The Steve Ryan and Ronnie Williams families had the park behind the dam to themselves. We hope to have our restrooms open, starting this weekend.

I enjoyed a pair of cardinals feeding Monday morning. The vivid red color was hard to miss with the snow cover.

One morning last week, my dog found a bobcat. I grabbed a leash and a camera, but neither animal would be still long enough to use them. The bobcat was golden-brown with some dark spots. Scooter chased the cat, but there was really no battle.

Mandy saw a group of eleven mule deer over the weekend.

Normally, we see only seven or eight together.

Annual recreation permits are valid for the calendar year only. If you are considering buying one, the sooner the better to make the most use of them this year. Individual permits are fifteen dollars and family permits are thirty dollars. Boat permits are also thirty dollars. Remember, tax permits are no longer available.

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Engagement Announcement

Mr. and Mrs. Clinton Keith Goodman, Sr are happy to announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their son, Clint to Erika Dawn Miller, daughter of Hugh J. and Karen Miller of Floydada.

Clint is a 1998 graduate of Spearman High School and is currently enrolled at West Texas A&M University, majoring in computer science and business. He is employed as assistant manager for Coulter Gardens in Amarillo and is a partner in New Age Landscaping service.

Erika is a 2000 homeschool graduate and has been employed with American State Bank in Floydada as a loan assistant since August of 1999. She is currently enrolled in the American Institute of banking working toward a general banking diploma.

The couple will be married June 8, 2001 at the Eleventh and Amarillo Street Church of Christ in Plainview.

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5th Grade Science Fair Held



Stevie Salazar displays his "Trash Finger" invention

Spearman Elementary fifth-graders demonstrated their inventions to about 400 people on Wednesday, February 21, 2001 in the activity gym. Each display was advertised to inform visitors of the product's prices, purpose and to whom it would benefit.

The students and the name of their invention are as follows: Amanda Bain - "Laundry Master"; Austin Benton - "The Shoot"; Crystal Bridwell - "The Laundry Helper"; Mattie Davis - "Scooter Xtreme"; Jessica Diaz - "Pet Toy"; Matt Diaz - "The Weather Helper"; Lisa Espinosa - "Dog and Cat Helper"; Wendy Gaytan - "Moveable Steering Wheel"; Carlos Lopez - "Food Carrier"; Lupe Mendoza - "Self-Cooking Stove"; Miriam Mendoza - "Ice Helper"; Malissa Montgomery - "Dirty Laundry Helper"; Marcus Ochoa - "Movie Helper"; Natalie Quintero - "Baby Food Helper"; Anthony Robles - "Mail Helper"; Kendall Schneider - "Unloading Dishwasher"; Elliott Sheets - "EZ Squeeze"; Amanda Snider - "Crippled People Invention"; Amy Boyd - "Passing Blinker 2008"; Zach Chastain - "Double Gutter Sprayer"; Justin Flores - "Mop Fast"; Victor Flores - "The Lawnmower 2001"; Jeremy Frost

"Ball Flinger"; Caribel Hernandez - "Pass the Food"; Christy Lang - "Cano-O-Grabber"; Jesus Morales - "Weather Protector"; Jesse Moreno - "Insect and Animal Ruper"; Junior Ortiz - "Quick Chopper"; Heriselda Perez - "The Trash Invention"; Kyla Reed - "Safety Shovel 2001"; Tyler Rex - "Suck-O-Matic 4 Million"; J.J. Rojas - "Chair 2001"; Stevie Salazar - "Trash Flinger"; Blayne Baker - "Bring Back the Football"; Kim Bergan - "Save-A-Step"; Brittney Bradley - "Roll-A-Paint"; Amy Brown - "The Chair 2001"; Lizet Comacho - "Hang Quick"; Sandi Carbajal - "Glow-In-The-Dark Toilet"; Janica Ceniza - "Mini Fence 2003"; Amber Comp - "Closet Hanger"; Alicia Francis - "Exercise 2001"; Dane Harbour - "Miscellaneous Launcher"; Kylee Howard - "Pull Your Clothes 2001"; Clara Kern - "Wood Chopper-O-Matic 2001"; Colby Odegaard - "The Laundry Scooper"; Marlon Robledo - "Yard Cleaner"; Justine Rosales - "Awesome To Put Up Clothes"; Luis Tarango - "Bird Feeder"; Victor Villa - "Super Scoop 2001".

The Fifth Grade class wishes to thank everyone who visited their fair.



Blayne Baker demonstrates his invention, "Bring Back the Football"



Justine Rosales stands behind her invention "Awesome To Put Up Clothes"

The Gruver Grapevine

by Harletta Carthel

GHS Faces Tough Competition in Academic Contest

With only the results of the ready writing contest undecided, just three GHS students survived the rigorous ten-school UIL Academic Contest to advance to regional competition.

Sarah Moore placing second in poetry interpretation, Kade Carthel placing second in headline writing, and Chad TeBeest placing second in mathematics will compete in the regional contest in April in Levelland.

Gruver had several fourth place finishers who will serve as alternate for their respective individual events, and three teams who placed second who will serve as alternates for team events.

The fourth placing alternates are Holly Hart - accounting, Carley Bryson - literary criticism, Chad TeBeest - number sense, Shea Lowe - prose interpretation, Amy Watley - news writing, Brooke Salmans - feature writing and editorial writing, and Sammie Johnson - headline writing.

The alternate teams include the accounting team of Holly Hart, Jessica Moore and Tera Red; the calculator team of Christie McDonnell, Teal Armes, and Courtney Goad; and the mathematics team of Chad TeBeest, Holly Hart, and Brian Goad.

Other placers were Jessica Moore - fifth, accounting, Giselda Soto - fifth, spelling; and Miranda Thoreson - fifth, prose interpretation.

With ready-writing results undetermined, Gruver placed fourth of the ten schools in the 1-1A Spring events district with 114 points. The top three schools were Stratford - 254, Booker 193, and Wheeler 144.

Cast Members Gain Honors

Holly Hart and James Crow were named to the all star cast for their performance in the one-act play, "No Fading Star," in zone competition last week in Vega.

Named to the honorable mention list were Chase Lamb and Miranda Thoreson.

The plays of Vega and Boys Ranch were selected to advance to district competition with Gruver chosen as alternate.

Six to Vie for Three Seats

Six men will vie for three seats in the May 5th. school board election.

David Bergin, Roger Clift, David Grotgut, Paul Stavlo, Brent Stedje, and Davin Winger will be on the ballot to fill the three-year seats.

Voters may vote absentee in person April 18 - May 1, from 8-4 in the business of the high school or by mail. Applications for mail-in ballots must be requested on or by April 27. For those who are not registered to vote, the deadline for registering is April 5. For more information or to address any question, call the GHS business office, 733-2821.

City Reports Moisture

For the week of March 19-March 26, 9:00 a.m., the City of Gruver reported .93 inch of moisture.

City Census Shows Slight Loss

The official census count lists the city of Gruver with 1162 residents, 10 persons less of the 1172 counted in 1990, for a .085 loss.

Easter Holiday Set

Gruver Schools will dismiss for the Easter holidays at 12:30 p.m. on Thursday, April 12.

Although the school calendar lists April 12 as a holiday, the dismissal for the Lady Hound basket-

ball game in Levelland warranted the use of the day as a bad weather day.

Classes will resume on Tuesday, April 17.

District Events Scheduled

The district golf tournament set for April 2 and 9 in Phillips will usher in the first of the spring sports district contests.

The district track meet will be held Wednesday, April 4, at Randall High School with the district tennis meet slated for April 10 and 12 in Amarillo.

The junior high district meet will be on April 7 in Stratford.

Gruver Bids Goads Goodbye

Gary and Trish Goad and their children Brian and Courtney will be moving from Gruver this week to make their home in Sterling, Kansas.

The Goad children Brian, a junior, and Courtney, a freshman, were active in sports and academic events at GHS. Gary and Trish were active supporters of all school activities and could be called upon to help in any situation.

Trish, a nurse-practitioner, was called upon at more than one athletic event to use her expertise when there was an injury. She was always willing to go the extra mile to help. When Gruver was considering the addition of baseball in the school venue of sports, Trish even volunteered to coach the team. Although she admitted that she knew little about coaching baseball, her willingness was indicative of her dedication.

Sympathy Extended

The condolences of the community are extended to the family of Burton Olsen of Oslo.

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It's A Girl!



Jamie and Chuck Grayson are proud to announce the birth of their daughter, Caylin Shay Grayson. Caylin was born on March 14, 2001. She weighed 8 pounds, 4 ounces and was 19 1/2 inches long.

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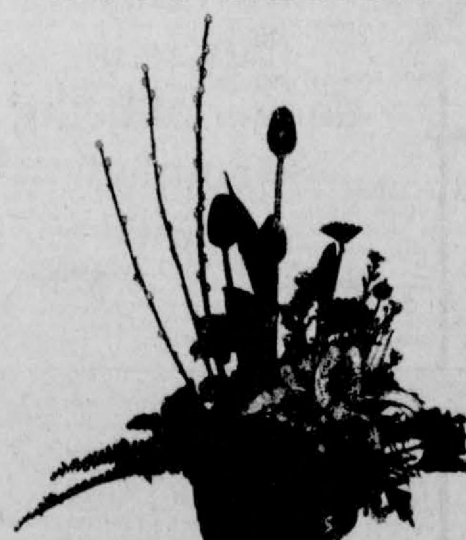
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Engagement Announcement

Tom and Linda Latta of Spearman announce the engagement of their daughter, Tommi Kay Latta to Brent Evan Seidenberger of St. Lawrence, TX. Brent is the son of Linda and Mark Reeh and the late Gary Seidenberger.

Tommi graduated from Texas A&M University in College Station with a degree in Elementary Education and is currently employed as a 6th grade teacher with the Lubbock Independent School District.

Brent graduated from Texas A&M University in College Station with a degree in Agriculture Systems and is employed as an Ag Engineer with B.C. Supply in Lubbock.

The couple will be married on July 14, 2001 at the First United Methodist Church in Spearman.



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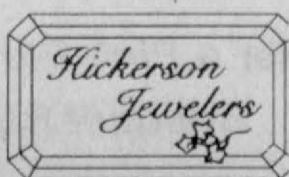
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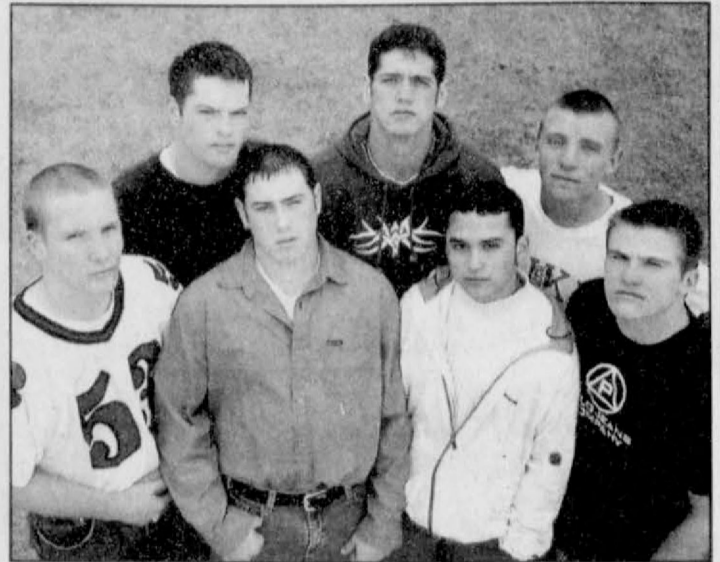
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Six members of the Lady Hounds bi-district champion basketball team have been selected to the I-A, division I basketball team. They are (clockwise from bottom left) Teal Armes, second team; Kaylee Holt, honorable mention; Lindsay Messer, most valuable player; Amy Watley, second team; Sammie Stavlo, first team; and Tessa Yanke, first team.



Seven members of the bi-district champion Gruver Hounds basketball team have been named to the 1-A district, division I basketball team. They are (left to right) Kirby Johnson, honorable mention; Kade Carthel, honorable mention; Brady Hart, second team; Jason Shoulders, first team; Anthony Villalobos, second team; Kasey Harris, honorable mention; and Cory Schneider, second team.



Jenn Schnell



Four members of the Spearman Lynxettes basketball team were named to the All-District team. They were (Back Row, L-R) Adrienne Simpson, SR.; Jenn Schnell, SR.; (Front Row, L-R) Honorable Mention: Clara Shieldknight, JR.; Keilee Goodheart, FR.

Spearman Sports Results

Schnell Named to All-Region Team

Jenn Schnell has been named to the Class 2A All-Region second team for region one from the Texas Association of Basketball Coaches. TABC selects the top 20 players from each region and splits them into two teams.

Jenn did a super job for the Lynxettes this year and is very deserving of this award. The Spearman Booster Club along with Coach Short says, "Congratulations Jenn on a job well done!"

Tennis and Track Results from Friday

The track and tennis teams got one day of competition in on Friday before the weather canceled everything on Saturday. The tennis team went to Booker on Friday and were able to complete the singles. Kevin Beedy and Adam Cherry played

very well and met in the finals to decide first and second place. Beedy defeated Cherry 6-0, 6-0 to win the championship.

Cheryl Gibson also played very well and advanced to the semi-finals before getting defeated. She then played Simpson from Booker for 3rd place and was narrowly defeated 6-3, 6-2. Cheryl continues to improve with every match. All of the doubles matches were to be played on Saturday, but were canceled due to the weather.

The track team went to Stratford on Friday and were able to run the preliminaries. The only final that was run was the 3200 meter run. Ashlee Flowers came in 5th with a time of 13:38. All finals were canceled on Saturday.

Lynx Tennis Results

Place: Booker
Date: 3-23-01
Boys Singles
Kevin Beedy: Beedy 6-6,

Glasscock (Beaver) 4-1; Semi-Finals - Beedy 6-6, Cates (Booker) 0-0; Finals - Beedy 6-6, Cherry (Spearman) 0-0

Adam Cherry: Cherry 6-6, Herron (Shamrock) 0-3; Semi-Finals - Cherry 6-6, Martinez (Beaver) 3-2; Finals - Cherry 0-0, Beedy (Spearman) 6-6

Coach Walker's Comments: Adam Cherry upset Martinez from Beaver in the semi-finals. Martinez was expected to be in the finals. Kevin Beedy faced one of the best players in the tournament in his first round match. Kevin fell behind (3-4) in the first set. From that point on, he lost only one game the rest of the day.

Lynxette Tennis Results

Place: Booker
Date: 3-23-01
Boys Singles
Cheryl Gibson: Gibson 6-1-6, Bass (Wheeler) 2-6-2; Semi-Finals - Gibson 1-1, Cassingham (Beaver) 6-6; 3rd Place Match - Gibson 3-2,

Simpson (Booker) 6-6
Coach Walker's Comments: Gibson beat Bass from Wheeler in the first round. Bass was a consolation semi-finalist at the Canyon Tournament. Cheryl finished 4th in the Booker Tournament. The more Cheryl plays, the more consistent she will become.

Sunray Golf Tourney

3-19-2001
Varsity Lynxettes Results
1. Haley Lombard-108, 2. Loree Espinosa-129, 3. Leslie Goodson-143, 4. Emily Longoria-154, 5. Holly Tercero-152
Spearman Total - 582

Varsity Lynx Results

1. Travis Brown-73, 2. Coley Griffin-78, 3. Nicholas Benton-88, 4. Lance Baker-86, 5. Daniel Longoria-129
Spearman Total - 325
Spearman placed 4th as a team.

Gruver Sports Results

Tennis Team Competes at Dumas

Sunshine and a full slate of matches on Friday changed to drizzle and canceled matches on Saturday in the Dumas Tennis Meet.

Rosa Diaz, who has not lost a match this season, did not play in the championship game of the girls singles division due to poor weather conditions.

In her previous matches she

defeated Argo of Canadian 8-0, Dollar of Perryton 8-0, and Willis of Pampa 6-0, 6-0.

In other girls singles action, Sammi Johnson downed Davis of Randall 8-3, and fell to Watts of Borger 8-2. In her final game with Wilkens of Perryton who had placed third in the Canyon Tennis Tournament, Johnson gave the champ a fight by the score of 3-6, 4-6.

Clint Swink lost to Chase of

Canyon 1-8 in the first game of boys singles play and returned to beat Browder of Sunray 8-5.

Also in boys singles play, Kade Carthel lost to Styne of Dumas 2-8 and was leading Ponder of Sunray 7-2 before the match was called for rain.

The girls doubles team of Beth Yanke and Jenny Hart fell to Gonzales/ Inthavory of Randall 4-9, Boyett/Sijuana of Borger 6-8, and Acklin/Baldiva of Caprock

also in a close match 6-8. Aaron Boyd and Wade Stewart teamed up to defeat Cowen/Hernandez of Borger 8-2 before falling to Sutterfield/Lechuga of Sunray 8-0 and Grey/Jobe of Boys Ranch 2-8.

The duo of Carlos Borunda and Garrett Miner lost their first match to Nelson/Etchel of Pampa 4-8 and then played Quirk/Richeson of Sunray 6-8.

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Then and there to answer the Application for Determination of Heirship and for Issuance of Letters of Independent Administration filed by Delphine Kopke, Cindy Scarborough, Howard Kopke and Mark Kopke in Cause No. 2323, styled Estate of Harold E. Kopke, deceased, the petition filed on February 23, 2001,

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Kim V. Vera,
Hansford County Clerk,
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1(3-29-01)B

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Seven To Venture to Venezuela



(Back Row, L-R) Mindee Gillaspie, Rachel Abernathy, Laura Gillaspie; (Front Row, L-R) Jenny Abernathy, Christopher Abernathy, Kerry Abernathy and Ryan Abernathy



Spearman Girl Wins Contest, Earns Calf
 Kyna Shields, 16, of Spearman, placed in the top 20 in the Judging Contest on February 27 at the 2001 Houston Livestock Show.
 Shields has been involved in livestock judging since before she was old enough to be in 4-H.
 "I used to go to judging contests with my older brothers and sisters," she said. "But I've judged for eight years."
 Kyna admits that the hardest part is learning how to be a good judge and evaluate the animal, but loves the other aspects.
 "I enjoy getting to travel and going to different places and meeting new friends," she said.
 For earning a top 20 position in the judging, she received a \$1000 certificate to purchase a beef heifer to raise for next year's calf scramble in Houston.

submitted by Leann Gillaspie

Seven Hansford County residents have been selected to be a part of a summer teen mission adventure to Venezuela.

Ryan, Rachel and Christopher Abernathy and Laura and Mindee Gillaspie will travel to Venezuela with Big World Ventures and Brio and Breakaway Magazines who will be sponsoring the trip, named "The Nerve To Serve." Kerry and Jennie Abernathy will accompany their three children and the Gillaspies as adult sponsors.

This is the fifth year that the Brio/Breakaway partnership have sponsored teen missions trips in places such as Brazil, Bolivia and Costa Rica.

The teen participants and their sponsors will meet in Miami, Florida on June 17, 2001. They will be assigned to a team for the trip. While in Miami, they will train for a drama, "Spellbound: Toymaker and Son" and for communicating in Spanish with those who will hear their drama.

The teams will leave on June 20 for Caracas, Venezuela to present their drama in public schools, local parks, open air markets, orphanages and barrios. They will also help with work projects. The teams will arrive home on the 30th of June.

The members of the team have obtained passports and immunizations and are currently preparing costumes and necessary supplies and individual fund raisers.

People who feel lead to provide financially to help defray the expenses for these seven can make tax-deductible contributions to either First Baptist Church of Spearman or Big World Ventures. Please contact the Gillaspie's or

the Abernathys for proper directives.

Through this and other mission adventures, Brio and Breakaway are trusting that God will work in the lives of these teens to produce eternal changes and perhaps even call some into full-time ministry.

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 Miss Hansford (17-21)
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