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ISSUE Spearman Blood Drive

The Coffee Memorial Blood Center is hosting a Spearman Community Blood Drive. It will be held on Monday, March 31st from 2-7 p.m. in the gym of The O'Loughlin Center, located at 502 S.

Try Your Luck at Winning a 42" Flat Screen TV and a Fajita Party for 20.

Every eligible donor receives a GREEN T-

ALL BLOOD TYPES ARE CURRENTLY NEEDED!

The need is real. There is no substitute for blood. It can only come from volunteer blood donors. Please support the patients of the High Plains Region .. Give the Gift of Life! For an appointment please call 1-877-574-8800.

Funds available for **Child Care Assistance**

Panhandle WorkSource Child Care Services offers child care assistance to eligible families and manages projects to improve the quality, availability, and afford-ability of child care in the 26 counties of the Texas Panhandle. Panhandle WorkSource Child Care Services Lead Provider Service Specialist, Julie Harper, stated, "We understand families struggle to make ends meet. By helping families pay for daycare, these families no longer have to worry about losing their jobs because they can't afford daycare. They know they can afford the daycare expenses and have money left to pay bills. Parents can feel good knowing their children are in a safe place while they are working and/or attending school.

Assistance is offered to:

 Low Income Families · Parents Working and/ or Attending School/Training

· TANF/Food Stamp Recipients

Teen Parents

• Children with Special Needs Applicants can be seen as a walk-in or may call for an appointment. At this time, there is no wait list. If eligible, applicants will be placed immediately.

A Child Care Application Packet and additional child care information is available at our website: www.panhandlework-

Panhandle WorkSource Child Care Services - Amarillo (806) 372-2836, Borger (806) 274-7171, and Hereford (806) 364-

Outstanding Leadership Speaker to be in Perryton

One of the most sought after leadership speakers in America will be in Perryton on Thursday, April 3rd. DBP Exploration and Leadership Perryton will host Steve Gilliland of Winston-Salem, North Carolina as he presents an entertaining, thought provoking, and motivating session called "Leading With Heart" at Frank Phillips College Allen Campus. Registration will begin at 6 p.m. and the seminar will begin at 6:30 p.m. The seminar will be free of at 6:30 p.m. The seminar will be free of charge with the sponsorship by DBP Exploration.

For more information, contact the Perryton-Ochiltree Chamber of Commerce at (806) 435-6575.

Weather Forecast

THURSDAY NIGHT - Partly cloudy. Breezy. Lows in the upper 30s. Northeast winds 10 to 15 mph becoming 15 to 25 mph after midnight.

FRIDAY - Partly cloudy. Cooler. Highs in the lower 60s. North winds around 20 mph shifting to the northeast 10 to 15 mph in the afternoon.

FRIDAY NIGHT - Partly cloudy in the evening then becoming mostly cloudy. Lows in the upper 30s. Southeast winds 10 to 15 mph.

SATURDAY - Partly cloudy. Breezy. Highs in the lower 70s.

SATURDAY NIGHT - Partly cloudy. Breezy. Lows in the lower 40s.

SUNDAY - Partly cloudy. Highs in the lower 60s.

SUNDAY NIGHT - Partly cloudy in the evening then becoming mostly cloudy. Lows in the mid 30s.

MONDAY - Mostly cloudy. Highs in the upper 50s.

MONDAY NIGHT - Partly cloudy in the evening then becoming mostly cloudy. Lows in the mid 30s.

TUESDAY - Partly cloudy. Highs in the mid 60s.

TUESDAY NIGHT - Partly cloudy in the evening then becoming mostly cloudy. Lows

WEDNESDAY - Mostly cloudy. Highs in the mid 60s.

NPEC Youth Tour Winners Announced

Leigh Ann Winger of Gruver and Jonathan Harder of Perryton won a 9-day, all expense paid trip to Washington, DC as winners of North Plains Electric Cooperative's Government-in-Action Youth Tour contest.

Leigh Anne, a sophomore at Gruver High School, is the daughter of David and Teague Winger. Harder, a junior at Perryton High School, is the son of Loren and Maylene Harder. They will join other young people from Texas who have won similar contests on June 12 in Irving. From there they will fly to Washington, DC.

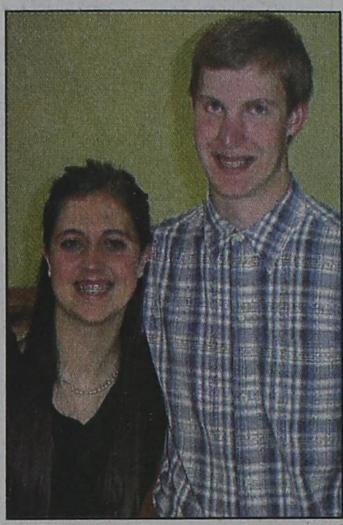
While in Washington, they will meet other youth from all over the United States and visit many scenic and historic places, including the White House, U.S. Capitol, National Archives, Smithsonian Institution, Library of Congress, Arlington National Cemetery and Mount Vernon. Winger and Harder will also

be able to meet with and view their congressmen and senators in action. Their tour will end on June 20.

The two were required to give a five-toeight minute speech on the subject "Rural Electric Cooperatives - The Power for Better Living.'

After their presentation, contestants answered questions about North Plains Electric or rural electric cooperatives in gen-

eral, posed to them by a panel of judges.
Other contestants included alternate winner Tracey Young, daughter of Craig and Cindy Young of Canadian, and Brittany Bryan, daughter of Kent and Connie Bryan of Darrouzett. Judges included Glenna Hise, Human Resource Specialist and Erin Shurley, Member Service Advisor, both of Tri-County Electric Cooperative, Inc. in Hooker, Oklahoma.



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SHS Competes in One Act Play Contest

Spearman High School competed in the District 1-2A One Act Play contest on March 26, 2008 in Panhandle.

Spearman, under the direction of Dr. Glenn Robinson and Jeannie Robinson, performed The Diary of Anne Frank by Goodrich and Hackett.



Dylan Sumner (right) was named to the All-Star Cast and Meagan Smith (left) and Chasity Thomas (center) were named Honorable Mention All-Star Cast.

Photo by Judy Nelson

Cast members were: Mr. Frank - Brett Winegarner, Miep Gies - Tayshia James, Anne Frank - Chasity Thomas, Mrs. Frank -Kayla Martinez, Margot Frank - Haley Smith, Mr. Van Daan - Dylan Sumner, Mrs. Van Daan - Meagan Smith, Peter Van Daan -Keagan Garnett, Mr. Kraler - Nik Huffman, Tour contest. and Mr. Dussell - Raul Pena.

Crew members were: Kaitlyn Poole, Tori Sheets, Mattie Desha and Hannah Pittman. Alternate was Dale Wilson.

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Other schools competing were: Canadian High School, performing Tartuffe by Mollere (Jeffries and Munoz adaptation); Panhandle High School, performing The Cathird Seat by James Thurber (Sheryl Oliver adaptation); West Texas High School performing Scapinol by Frank Dunlop and Jim Dale; Stratford High School performing My Son is Crazy.

But Promising by Tim Kelly; and Sanford-Fritch High School, performing Over the River and Through the Woods by Joe DiPietro.

Canadian High School and West Texas

Canadian High School and West Texas High School were selected to advance to the Regional One Act Play contest, with Stratford High School being named alternate.

O'Loughlin Center Tenderloin Dinner & Calcutta The O'Loughlin Center (502 S. Brandt, Spearman) will hold their annual

Tenderloin Dinner and Calcutta on Saturday, April 26th at 7 p.m. Tickets are \$60 each and may be purchased from any board member, or by calling 659-3030. Cash and prizes will be given away throughout the evening. Enjoy and dance to the music of Insufficient Funds. Everyone is invited to come be a part of the

There will be three ways to win money at the upcoming Pot O' Gold Dinner and Dance at the O'Loughlin Center on April 26th! Tickets will be \$60 per person and will go into the pot to win...Grand Prize is \$2,500.00, 2nd Prize is \$250, and there will be 3 \$100 prizes.

Take a chance on the lucky ones by pur-chasing them on the calcutta boards...the amount of this prize will be determined at

amount of this prize will be determined at the end of the evening!

Because this is the 10th Anniversary of the Pot O' Gold, you can purchase a chance for \$10 for your name to go into the Winner's Prize Box! The entire contents of this box will be won by one person and drawn for at the end of the night!

For further information, contact any board member or call the center at 806-659-3030!



of Anne Frank." ·Photo by Judy Nelson

This issue of the Hansford County Reporter-Statesman is dedicated to the over 4,000 U.S. service members killed in Iraq, and all those who risk their lives in military service to the United States of America.

For a list of the fallen soldiers, go to http://projects.washingtonpost.com/fallen/ or http://icasualties.org/oif/

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Lullabies, Legends & Lies by Parson Smith, the Prime Minister of Laughter

answer to the prayers of time to write something for themselves.

Occasionally, however, originally imagined. someone will send me something clever enough or interesting enough to "forward" on to you. This is one such mals. item.

Roping A Deer

This is funny!!! Names have been removed to protect the stupid!

Actual Letter from someone who writes, and farms.

I had this idea that I was going to rope a deer, put it in a stall, fatten it up on corn for a couple of weeks, then kill it and eat it.

The first step in this I figured that, since they congregate at my cattle feeder and do not seem to have much fear of me when we are there (a bold one will sometimes come right up and sniff at the bags of feed while I am in the back of the truck not 4 feet away), it should not be difficult to rope one, get up to it and toss a bag over its head (to calm it. down) then hog tie it and transport it home.

I filled the cattle feeder then hid down at the end with my rope.

The cattle, having seen the roping thing before, stayed well back.

They were not having any of it.

After about 20 minutes, my deer showed up -- 3 of them. I picked out a likely just stood there and stared like a squeeze chute. at me.

I wrapped the rope around my waist and twisted the end so I would have a good hold The deer still just stood and stared at me, but you could tell it was mildly concerned about the whole rope situa-

tion. I took a step towards it...it took a step away. I put a little tension on the rope and then received an education.

The first thing that I learned is that, while a deer may just stand there looking at you funny while you rope it, they are spurred to action when you start pulling on that rope.

That deer EXPLODED.

The second thing I learned is that pound for pound, a deer is a LOT stronger than a cow or a colt. A cow or a colt in that weight range I could fight down with a rope and with some dignity.

A deer -- no chance. That thing ran and bucked

I hate e-mail forwards. and certainly no getting close But, they seem to be an to it. As it jerked me off my feet and started dragging me those who are not imagina- across the ground, it tive enough or do not have occurred to me that having a deer on a rope was not nearly as good an idea as I had

The only upside is that they do not have as much stamina as many other ani-

A brief 10 minutes later, it was tired and not nearly as quick to jerk me off my feet and drag me when I managed to get up. It took me a few minutes to realize this, since I was mostly blinded by the blood flowing out of the big gash in my head. At that point, I had lost my taste for corn-fed venison. I just wanted to get that devil creature off the end of that rope.

I figured if I just let it go adventure was getting a deer. with the rope hanging around its neck, it would likely die slow and painfully somewhere.

At the time, there was no love at all between me and that deer. At that moment, I hated the thing, and I would venture a guess that the feeling was mutual.

Despite the gash in my

head and the several large knots where I had cleverly arrested the deer's momentum by bracing my head against various large rocks as it dragged me across the ground, I could still think clearly enough to recognize that there was a small chance that I shared some tiny amount of responsibility for the situation we were in, so I didn't want the deer to have to suffer a slow death, so I managed to get it lined looking one, stepped out back up in between my truck from the end of the feeder, and the feeder - a little trap I and threw my rope. The deer had set before hand, kind of

> I got it to back in there and I started moving up so I could get my rope back.

Did you know that deer bite? They do! I never in a million years would have thought that a deer would bite somebody, so I was very surprised when I reached up there to grab that rope and the deer grabbed hold of my

Now, when a deer bites you, it is not like being bit by a horse where they just bite you and then let go. A deer bites you and shakes its head -- almost like a pit bull. They bite HARD and it hurts.

The proper thing to do when a deer bites you is probably to freeze and draw back slowly. I tried screaming and shaking instead. My method was ineffective.

It seems like the deer was biting and shaking for several minutes, but it was likely only several seconds. I, being smarter than a

now) tricked it. While I kept it busy tearing my right arm to sheds, I reached up with my left hand and pulled that rope loose. That was when I got my final lesson in deer behavior for the day.

Deer will strike at you with their front feet. They rear right up on their back feet and strike right about head and shoulder level, and their hooves are surprisingly sharp.

I learned a long time ago that, when an animal -- like a horse --strikes at you with their hooves and you can't get away easily, the best thing to do is try to make a loud noise and make an aggressive move towards the animal. This will usually cause them to back down a bit so you can escape.

This was not a horse. This was a deer, so obviously, such trickery would not work. In the course of a millisecond, I devised a different

strategy. I screamed like a woman

and tried to turn and run. The reason I had always been told NOT to try to turn and run from a horse that paws at you is that there is a good chance that it will hit you in the back of the head

Deer may not be so different from horses after all, besides being twice as strong and 3 times as evil, because the second I turned to run, it hit me right in the back of the head and knocked me

down. Now, when a deer paws at you and knocks you down, it does not immediately leave. I suspect it does not recognize that the danger has passed. What they do instead is paw your back and jump up and down on you while you are laying there crying like a little girl and covering your

I finally managed to crawl under the truck and the deer went away.

So now I know why when people go deer hunting they bring a rifle with a scope so that they can be somewhat equal to the Prey.

> Until the next time, May God Bless.



STUDY OF WATER **SUPPLIES SHOWS** Austin is OK



by Ed Sterling

reported on March 20.

Management Agency to provide more assistance in dealing with three months of since Jan. 1.

requested that the state be in violation of the state elec- opinion on a legal matter reimbursed in full for wild- tion law. fire-related efforts carried out since January.

lion on this so far. FEMA has days. spent \$75 million.

Todd Staples wrote a letter to Coalition. the U.S. Department of have suffered damages due ruling. to wildfires.

Texas Parks & Wildlife speaker Department reported a massive wildfire that torched 95 sion of the Texas Legislature denied percent of the 15,200-acre convenes in January, the Chaparral wildlife on the state's premier someone else. public hunting site escaped

Bowling Congress to move here

The United States Bowling R-Midland. Congress plans to move its headquarters Greendale, Wis., 200 jobs.

the Texas Enterprise Fund group and illegally instructed accept the proposed input. may have helped in the group's decision to relocate. The fund, created by the

AUSTIN - More than 5,300 Legislature in 2003, is used the group to write checks to wildfires have burned an to recruit and bolster busi- the campaign funds of lawestimated 940,000 acres and ness. To date, the fund has makers that might make a destroyed 140 homes in helped projects generating difference to him early next Texas, the governor's office more than 51,800 new jobs year. and \$15.6 billion in capital

Ethics agency fines former rep

On Feb. 12, the Texas the matter. wildfires that have burned in Ethics Commission adopted 216 of Texas' 254 counties a ruling that former state bonuses Rep. Toby Goodman, R-In a letter to FEMA chief Arlington, used campaign Greg Abbott on March 11 David Paulison, Perry donations to buy real estate, received a request for an

\$10,000 civil penalty against all taxpayers. State and local govern- Goodman and on March 11 ments have spent \$20.5 mil- ordered payment within 30

But FEMA isn't the only the result of a complaint filed agency that can help. Texas in 2006 by the Dallas-based Agriculture Commissioner Texas Values in Action

Agriculture, asking for an ed House District 93 from approval by the county comincrease in assistance for 1991 to 2006, on March 20 missioners court. farmers and ranchers who said he plans to appeal the

When the 81st regular ses-

The office of the Travis

from a government watchdog on learning styles of to group, filed the criminal Hispanic children. Arlington, Texas, and bring complaint against Craddick, A \$693,000 award from money to a political action was no time available to

State law prohibits the use Gov. Rick Perry is urging investment in the state, the of campaign funds for such a the Federal Emergency governor said.

One of campaign funds for such a purpose, and Travis County purpose, and Travis County District Attorney Ronnie Earle said he plans to review

County asks AG about

Texas Attorney General that may be of interest to all The commission imposed a 254 counties in Texas, and to

Midland County Attorney Russell W. Malm, in a written request, asked if it is legal for the county to pay performance bonuses to its elected officials.

Malm said the county judge is interested in adopt-Goodman, who represent- ing such a plan, subject to

The attorney general's office issues most opinions Travis DA investigates within 180 days of the request.

Berlanga's request is

The State Board of Wildlife 150 members of the House Education will vote on a new Management Area in South may reelect House Speaker set of English reading and Texas, but much of the Tom Craddick or choose writing standards at its March 27 meeting.

A week before the meeting County district attorney has board member Mary Helen been investigating a criminal Berlanga of Corpus Christi complaint against Craddick, and state Rep. Abel Herrero, D-Robstown, asked that time Texans for Public Justice, be allotted for expert input

SBOE chair Don McLeroy alleging he sent campaign of College Station said there

Letter to the Editor

As chairperson of MDA's Shamrocks Against Dystrophy, I want to take a moment to thank businesses and patrons in the Spearman area for their generous participation in our 2008 campaign. I'm delighted to say that this year's fundraising efforts were a great success.

Those little green and gold Shamrocks mobiles sold by local businesses help support MDA's vital programs of research, health care services and public education right here in Spearman and across the country.

muscle-wasting diseases, I send a big warm "thank you" to Spearman residents - you've certainly put a smile in these Irish eyes!

Sincerely, Maureen McGovern

To the Editor:

On behalf of all the individuals and families coping with

and twisted and pulled. deer (though you may be There was no controlling it questioning that claim by These games are brought to you by the MARCH MADNESS

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- contempt, pl.
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- Fiona by night 59. Last eight in college basketball
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- Rockettes are famous for
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- 5. Cover with wig 6. Lack of moral standards in society
- sion 8. This year's number 1 overall NCAA seed

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- 13. Last year's basketball champs 14. A "Seinfeld"
- episode on TV today 19. Run off to marry 22. He is 23. Small piece of
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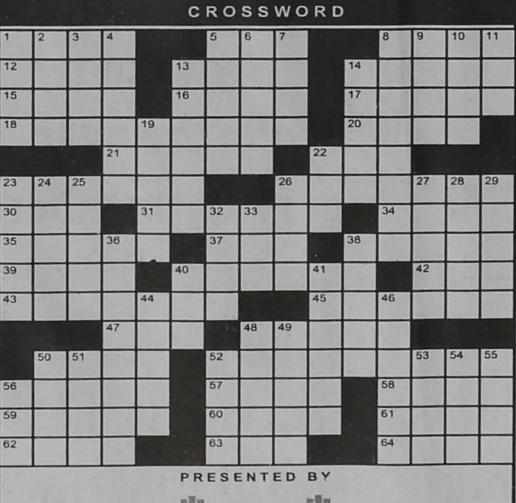
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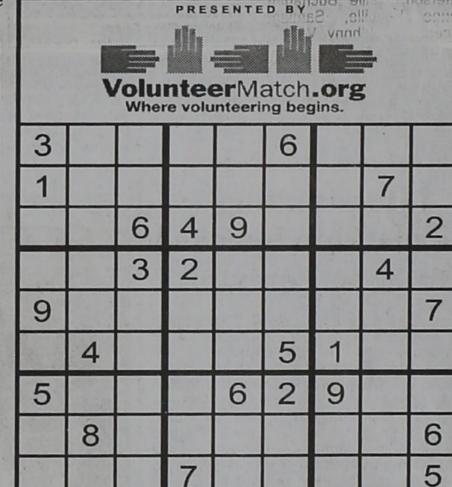
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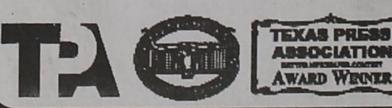
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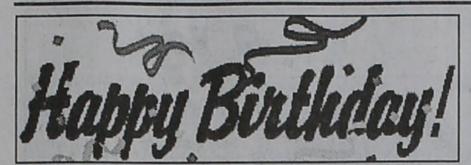
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Editor's Note: This Happy Birthday list is run as a public service by the Hansford County Reporter-Statesman. We apologize if any names are misspelled. If you know of a name that needs to be changed, added or deleted, please call 659-3434.

Thank you, Catherine

March 27

Birthday - Tommy Boone, Diana Stork, Carol Scroggs, Ylanda DeLuna, Bill Stevens, Wanda Wagner, Anthony Wilkerson, Clark Dunaway, Gary Urban, Debbie Herrington, Michael McCarney, J.D. Schick

Anniversary - Steve and Debbie Rogers, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Schnell

March 28

Birthday - Ryan Renteria, Roma Tomlinson, Janet Cudd, Mandi Lair, Ray Hawkins, Jarrett Hendricks, Ross Jarvis, Byrnice Callaway, Rick Riggins, Carlos Castillo, Janet Mickey Scarborough, Schoenhals, Mark Hodges, Verna Strawn, Colten King, Tyrell King

Anniversary - M/M Larry Clawson, M/M Howard Hefley, M/M Jerry Tipps, M/M Richard Carter

March 29 Birthday - Lacy Barkley, Dixie Karlin, Joshua Kirby, Jessica Stork, Josephine Salgado, Scott Beedy, Melissa Taylor, Tiki Farrar, Chad Guthrie, David West, Marg Cook, Janis Maupin, Josh Harris, Jeann Thompson, Scot Martin, Ruth Shields, Ramon Garcia Jr., Greyson Karlin

March 30 Birthday - Jesus Favela, Loni Lamb, Vi Hornsby, Mrs. Elmer Longley, Nikki Strawn, Grady Cline, Denae Baker, Jimmy Blan, Heather Cline, Krystal Burkhammer, Shane Atwood, Mike Schick, Marvin Sparks, **Dorothy Longley**

Anniversary - M/M Ruben De Santiago

March 31

Birthday - Reaetta Gammon, Crystal Gruver, Ken Jones, Comfort Winders, Patterson, Nellie Buchanan, Dionne Pencille, Santiago Tercero Jr., Johnny Vernon, Cheryl Linde, Jolinda Wilson, David Flowers, Cortney Valdez, Teresa Carter, Weston Castillo, Kenton Johnson

Anniversary - M/M Chuck Sparkman, M/M Daniel Miser, M/M Jim Bass, M/M Dan Carthel, M/M Allan Beasley

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 Remmel, Brenda Rudolph, Pam Buzzard, Teri Taylor, Bill Gaither, Doris Beck, Jeff Williamson, Eric Varnon, Ryan Noble, Jared Bass, Tracy Graham Katie Baehler, Betty

April 4

Birthday - Frank Pittman, Sandy TeBeest, Glenn Mackie, Billy Snider, Lola Salgado, Monte Morris, Randall Schnell, Mark Landon Brown, Carlos Lopez, Midge Mahaffy, Don Ladd, Ramona Reynolds, Violet Lee, Brandon Traylor, Ayana

Anniversary - Rick & Elanie

April 5

Birthday - Becky Cassady, Jimmy Finley, Carrie Pressley, Vana Stapleton, Carla Brown, Dickie Allen, Juanita Rodriquez, Deann Green, Deanne Ochoa, Paul Welch, Jimmie Davis, Irene Auld, Darla Leon Bagwell, Jenkins, Wendell Ralston, Kelcee Rex, Sara Jenkins, Vanna Reid

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

Anniversary - M/M Jack

Anniversary - Dale & Onie Moyer, Kenny & Brenda Red, M/M Skipper Beal, M/M Emit

Birthday - Margaret Bell, Kallie Cluck, Will Evans, (Potts) Dawkins, Jeannie Sharlet Slough, Sammie Stavlo, Shawn Thompson, Kyle Winter, Kenneth Brown, Jo McLaughlin, Wallace Berner, Jo Nell Grayson, Michael Brogdon, Beth Lesly, Denise Torrea, Tashaia Duncan, Linda Winegarner, Laurie Beth Stedje, Seth Clemmons, Joshua Scott Bullard, Lorene Fulce, Denise Apodaca, Mason Fletcher, Greg Evans

Anniversary - M/M Donald Jackson, M/M Monty Cassady April 8

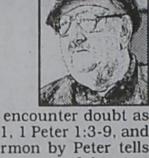
Birthday - Cami Shapley Jenschke, Damon Goodheart, Julie Ortega, Shenell Taylor, Brandon Vanderburg, Barbara Ellsworth, Ramona Garcia, Isaac Herndon, C.A. Davis, Jennifer Laxson, Jim Deakin, Dalton Ortega

Birthday - Julie Martin, Phyllis Atwood, T.J. Bayless, Diane Brown, Jeremy Harris, Colby Hunt, Dan Odom, June Kelp, Annette Pope, Patti Schnell, Pepper Collingsworth, Cease Riley, Lori Young, Sims Reddin, Kara Womble, Clyde Hodge, April Butts, Robin Castillo

Anniversary - M/M Keith

Words from Faith & Grace

by Cecil R. Biggers, Lutheran Lay Minister



Still happy from the joy of Easter we encounter doubt as we study Acts 2:14a, 22-32, Psalm 16:11, 1 Peter 1:3-9, and John 20:19-31. The first Christian Sermon by Peter tells that the cross was not an accident, it was part of the eternal plan of God for man. Jesus did not change the attitude of God toward us for God sent us Jesus. The Psalmist sings "You show me the path of life. In your presence there is fullness of joy; in your right hand are pleasures forevermore. God's love is steadfast and everlasting. The Holy Spirit allows us the opportunity to accept it. When we encounter the risen Christ we are transformed and all the ordinary joys of life are transformed and multiplied.

Peter is known as the "apostle of hope" and he writes to a faith community that is being tested and will be tested, even to the extent of martyrdom. The entirety of 1 Peter is a catechesis. Peter sets forth the process of explaining the Gospel as the faith community has received it, celebrates it, lives it and communicates it. By our baptism we are given new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ. We have been raised from our sin, our death, NOW! And we shall live on with Him in His Kingdom.

Christ appeared to his disciples in the locked room in Christ appeared to his disciples in the locked room in which they were hiding. He greets them, "Peace be with you". This phrase in Aramaic means "may God give you every good thing". Jesus gives the disciples the "charter of the church". "As the Father has sent me, so I send you...If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained". Jesus was returning to the Father, the Church was given the power and authority to act for Him, to take His message to all mankind. Please note that as ministers of the gospel of mankind. Please note that as ministers of the gospel of Jesus Christ, we may declare the forgiveness of sin; yet, it is God who forgives. We are sent as Christ was sent therefore we must be careful to serve in perfect obedience and love. Thomas missed this meeting. He would not believe on only the word of his fellow disciples. He wanted to see the wounds of Christ, to touch them, in order to believe. Note that Christ granted his request. Thomas believed and confessed, "My Lord and My God!" Jesus said, "Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe". In his steadfast love, Jesus provides us with that which we need to believe.

May the Holy Spirit turn your doubt into faith that you may encourage others to believe.

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ORVILLE HILL

Guymon, OK - Orville Carmen Hill, 79, lifelong area resident, passed away Wednesday, March 19th, 2008.

The son of Jennie (Jensen) and Lars Hill, he was born December 4, 1928 in Hansford County, Texas. Orville was confirmed and baptized in the Oslo Lutheran Church and graduated from Gruver High School in 1946. He served in the United States Army during the Korean War with honorable discharge in 1953. He was united in marriage to Mary Smith on April 3, 1965. Orville

had been a farmer and had previously worked for Adam's Hardfacing, Guymon Sheet Metal and McCullogh Tool Survivors include his sons, Larry Abla of Harvest,

Gebhard of Guymon; and Ruth and husband, Marvin Pierce of Bartlesville, OK; two brothers, Clifford Hill and wife, Ruby; and Richard Hill and wife, Linda, all of Guymon; and a grandson, Justin Abla.

Alabama; and Chris Hill of Guymon; two sisters, Emma

He was preceded in death by his parents, wife, Mary Hill, who passed away in 1980; and two brothers, Arthur Hill and

Funeral services will be Monday afternoon, March 24th at 2:00 PM at the Henson-Novak Funeral Chapel with Pastor Mark Wescoatt, of Trinity Lutheran Church, Guymon, officiating. Interment will be in Elmhurst Cemetery under the direction of Henson-Novak Funeral Directors of Guymon.

Memorials may be given to a charity of choice, c/o Henson-Novak Funeral Directors, Box 1306, Guymon, OK

Louis "Louie" Cluck Bretz

AMARILLO - Louis "Louie" Cluck Bretz, 52, of Amarillo died Tuesday, March 18, 2008.

Graveside services were at 2 p.m. Monday in Gruver Cemetery in Gruver with Jim York, minister of Church of Christ in Stinnett, officiating. Arrangements were by Boxwell Brothers Funeral Directors, 2800 Paramount Blvd.

Mr. Bretz was born Aug. 15, 1955, in Perryton to Louis and Mae Bretz. He graduated from Gruver High School and attended Wentworth Military Academy in Missouri. He had worked as a chemical sprayer for Terminix.

He will be missed by his family and his "Poker Buddies."

Survivors include two sons, Casey Bretz and Jesse Bretz, both of Amerilla, a daughter. Amy Bretz of Amerilla, a sister.

both of Amarillo; a daughter, Amy Bretz of Amarillo; a sister, Fern Bretz of Brevard, N.C.; and four grandchildren.

The family suggests memorials be to Top of Texas AA, 1301 S. Taylor St., Amarillo, TX 79101.





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First Baptist Church 123 N. Bernice • 659-5557 Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Worship: 11 a.m. Evening Worship: 7 p.m. Men's Bible Study - Wed., 7 a.m. Children's Choir - Wed, 6 p.m. Adult Choir - Wed. 7 p.m. Wed. Bible Study: 7 p.m. Pastor - Jim Medley

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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.

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 - George Price

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O'Loughlin Center Tenderloin Dinner & Calcutta
The O'Loughlin Center (502 S. Brand, Spearman) will hold their annual
Tenderloin Dinner and Calcutta on Saturday, April 26th at 7 p.m. Tickets
are \$60 each and may be purchased from any board member, or by calling 659-3030. Cash and prizes will be given away throughout the
evening. Enjoy and dance to the music of Insufficient Funds. Everyone is
invited to come be a part of the fun!

Hansford Golf Scrambles Began March 25
The Hansford County Golf Course began their Tuesday evening scrambles on March 25th. The cost is \$5 per person. Golf scrambles will be held each Tuesday evening at 6 p.m. As the days get longer, the beginning time will change accordingly.

Black Sunday
Black Sunday, April 14, 1935, Pampa, Texas. Where were you? Were you there? Do you know someone who lived through that day? Do you know someone who has pictures of the Dust Bowl days? Do you have any letters that told of those days? Pampa's Tribute to Woody Guthrie Center will be commemorating the Dust Bowl Days on April 10, 11, 12 and 13 at the Woody Guthrie Center, located at 320 South Cuyler in Pampa. Children from Lamar Elementary will perform during the afternoon on Saturday, April 12th. Anyone who has pictures, stories, letters, etc., is asked to let us know and/or mail them to us at the Center, 320 South asked to let us know and/or mail them to us at the Center, 320 South Cuyler, Pampa TX 79065, or email to lmmb777@hotmail.com.

Ten Star All Star Basketball Camp

Applications are now being evaluated for the Ten Star All Star Summer Applications are now being evaluated for the Ten Star All Star Summer Basketball Camp. The Ten Star All Star Summer Basketball Camp is by Invitation Only. Boys and girls ages 10-19 are eligible to apply. Past participants include: Michael Jordan, Tim Duncan, Vince Carter, Jerry Stackhouse, Grant Hill and Antawn Jamison. Players from 50 states and 10 foreign countries attended the 2007 camp. College basketball scholarships are possible for players selected to the Al-American Team. Camp locations include: Commerce, TX, Prescott, AZ, Thousand Oaks, CA, Babson Park, FL, Gainesville, GA, Champaign, IL, Glassboro, NJ, Lebanon, TN and Blacksburg VA. There is also a Summer Camp available for boys and girls ages 6-18 of all sill levels. For a free brochure on these Summer Camps, please call 704-373-0873 anytime, www.tenstarthese Summer Camps, please call 704-373-0873 anytime, www.tenstarcamp.com.

Project Graduation

The parents of the Spearman High School Senior Class of 2008 will sponsor and host a "Project Graduation Party" following commencement exercises Friday May 23rd. To encourage the graduates to stay the entire night, door prizes are awarded throughout the evening. In addition, graduates can earn paper monies through their participation in various games so that prizes can be purchased. The graduation party will culminate with the distribution of grand prizes. Prizes, gift certificates, and cash are needed for the evening's gifts. If you, the community, who supported and apparently apparently supported and apparently those seniors these past 13 years of school, would be and encouraged these seniors these past 13 years of school, would be willing to share in this final "Class of 2008" memory, making this project "special", please call Bonnie Bergan at 659-5529, Tammy Benton at 659-3071, or Gina Gillispie 659-5341. Contributions can be mailed to: Project Graduation Gina Gillispie, P.O. Box 633, Spearman, TX. 79081 Thank you in advance, for your support!

Perryton ISD Students Seeking Memories of World War II Students in Perryton are seeking individuals to interview for the KACV WWII/Texas Panhandle Outreach Project. Participants who are eligible to be interviewed are those that have memories from 1938-1946, especially World War II Veterans. Persons who would like their stories from WWII to be recorded on film should contact Lauren Carroll at (806) 434-0389

Gruver Elementary Collecting Register Tapes

Gruver Elementary is again participating in the Lowe's Supermarket Register Tapes for Education program. Please help us earn free educational equipment by collecting register tapes from Lowe's. Only tapes dated September 1, 2007 through March 31, 2008 are eligible. You can deposit your tapes in boxes in the Gruver Elementary Lobby, Gruver Library, Gruver City Hall, Nite & Day Beauty Salon and Hitchin' Nails. Jo Alice Clawson is also collecting tapes at 711 Womble, or they may be mailed to PO Box 488, Gruver. Please call 733-2247 if you have tapes you would like to have picked up, or for more information.

You're Never Alone - Narcotics Anonymous Group Each year individuals struggling with drug and alcohol addiction make the resolution to quit using drugs. For many of them it is a resolution that they cannot keep. Narcotics Anonymous can help. Open meetings are held on Monday and Thursday nights from 8-9 p.m. at the First Christian Church (29 S. Bernice in Spearman) for the "You're Never Alone" group of Narcotics Anonymous. Anyone interested is in control. tion can leave you feeling helpless and out of control - we can help.

Spearhead AA Group

The Spearhead AA Group meets every Tuesday at 8 p.m. in the Pittman-Shieldknight building. Alcoholics Anonymous* is a fellowship of men and women who share their experience, strength and hope with each other to help solve their common problem and help others to recover from alcoholism. The only requirement for membership is a desire to stop drinking. There are no dues or fees for AA membership; we are self-supporting through our own contributions. Our primary purpose is to stay sober and help other alcoholics achieve sobriety. For information, call 662-1111.

If you are concerned with someone else's drinking or addiction, the Al-Anon program can help you. Each Al-Anon Family Group has but one purpose - to help families and friends of alcoholics and addicts. The Spearhead Al-Anon Group meets every Tuesday night at 8 p.m. in the Pittman-Shieldknight Building, 511 SW 11th Avenue, Spearman. For more information, call 806-330-0349.

Panhandle Crisis Center Outreach Office

Panhandle Crisis Center (PCC) has an Outreach Office and Resale Store at 306 Hancock, in Spearman. In case of emergencies, please continue to call the hotline, 1-800-753-5308. To schedule an appointment with a worker in Hansford County, call 659-3391 to leave a message, or call the hotline number above. Panhandle Crisis Center serves victims of domesic violence and sexual assault. Call for more information regarding PCC's services. Hours for the Resale Store in Spearman are: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday from 10 a.m.-5 p.m.

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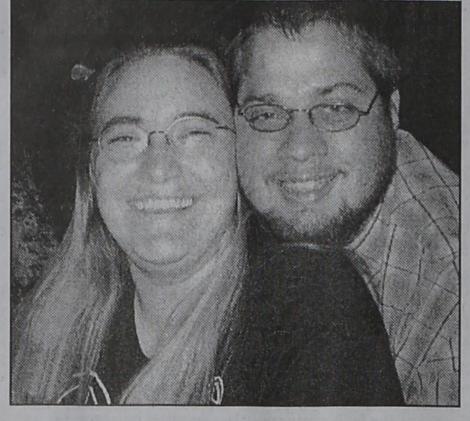


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Engagement Announcement

Elbert and Carma Dorton of Spearman are pleased to announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Megan Dorton to Justin Raymer. Justin is the son of Donna Halliburton of Ford, Nebraska and Kenneth and Leslie Raymer of Muskego, Wisconsin.

The bride-elect graduated from Spearman High School in 2003 and is working at Timbers in Darrouzett, TX.

The prospective groom graduated from Booker High School in 2004. Justin attended college at Kansas SW Technical School in Liberal, where he graduated in 2005. He works for Robertson Wire Line in Perryton, TX.

The couple plan to wed June 27, 2008 at the First United Methodist Church in Spearman, Texas.

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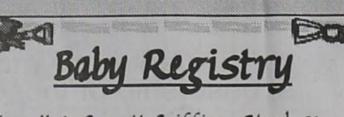
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Maternal grandmother is Lori Van den Berge of Canyon Texas. Great grandparents are Jim & Dot Van den Berge of High Point, North Carolina.

Paternal grandparents are Jim & Cindy Scarborough of Canyon. Great-grandmothers are Edna Scarborough of Dumas, Texas and Delphine Kopke of Spearman, Texas.

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Betsy & Shad Kalisiak on Saturday, March 29, 2008 from 3:00-4:30 p.m. in the home of Shelly Beedy 1103 S. Archer Spearman

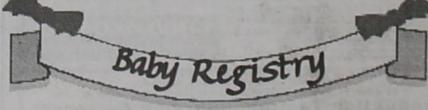
you are invited to a Baby Shower honoring Juan & Amy Rojas on Sunday, March 30, 2008 from 2:00-3:30 p.m. in the First National Bank Community Room 729 W. 7th Street Spearman



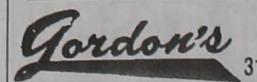
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Jeff & Danielle (Close) Jackson



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Administration Analysis Details Impact on USDA Programs without a New Farm Bill

At the request of senior benefits. House and Senate agricul-Department Agriculture today provided a detailed document developed from Administration analysis of impacts to current USDA programs - in the absence of enactment of a new farm bill or an extension of the

2002 farm bill past March

As stated in the USDA analysis, the provisions of the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938 and the Agricultural Act of 1949, which have been repeatedly suspended by several farm bills, would again become legally effective if a new farm bill is not enacted or Congress fails to extend the 2002 farm bill by March 15, 2008. Often described as a reversion to "permanent law," such a result would "dramatically narrow the universe of producers who receive support, and would do so in a way that most producers will view as irrational," according to the 14 page paper prepared by USDA and approved by the Office of Management and

For instance, only those wheat producers who happen to have wheat acreage allotments would be eligible for minimum price support of \$7.80 per bushel, as compared to the current price support loan rate of \$2.75.

Price support rates for corn would almost double, from \$1.95 to a minimum of \$3.78 per bushel, while the upland cotton price support rate would go from 52 cents per pound to a minimum of \$1.34 per pound. Dairy * Dairy - Price support ue. However, a number of price support would more would be offered with respect farmers currently eligible for than triple from \$9.90 per hundredweight to over \$30. No price support could be

offered for sugar or oilseeds. The 1938 Act is a supply control statute with marketing quota provisions that are applicable when the supplies of wheat and cotton are excessive. For the 2008 crops of these commodities, the Secretary has already announced that these quotas would not be in effect. But, for the 2008 crop of wheat, the

1938 Act still requires the Secretary to establish acreage allotments since these allotments are part of the price support program established for wheat under the 1949 Act. One of the critical factors which the

Secretary to take into account when establishing a farm's 2008 wheat allotment is whether or not the farm had an allotment in 1958. Acreage allotments for wheat have not been declared since 1971 and USDA does not possess acreage reports datto 1971. Accordingly, it is unclear how USDA could meaningfully translate these histori-cal allotments, while taking into account other required provisions in the 1938 Act, into 2008-crop price support

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allotment. Only farmers able available to produce records of 1958 30, 2008. wheat allotments as well as having wheat plantings in crop years 2005, 2006 and 2007 would be eligible for price support benefits.

Sugar and oilseeds (including soybeans) - Due to the manner in which the 1949 Act has been amended, price support may not be offered with respect to oilseeds (including soybeans, sunflower seed, and canola, rapeseed, safflower, flaxseed and mustard seed), sugar beets and sugarcane.

* Cotton, feed grains, honey and rice - Because marketing quotas are not in effect for the 2008 crop of upland cotton, all upland cotton is eligible for price support as well as all pro-duction of 2008 crops of rice, corn, oats, rye, barley and grain sorghum. All produc-tion of honey would also

to dairy products through farm loan program loan government purchase of guarantees would cease to dairy products. commodities - Price support for other commodities such as peanuts, wool and mohair would be at the discretion of the Secretary of Agriculture.

Other Programs The mandatory programs that would be most severely impacted would be conservation and trade programs. However, in general, for programs that receive annual appropriations, the impacts would be less severe if new law is not enacted by March

15, 2008. Conservation

New enrollments in most conservation programs would cease as of March 16, 2008. Producers currently 1938 Act requires the enrolled in both the Conservation Reserve Program (CRP) and the Wetlands Reserve Program (WRP) would continue to receive technical assistance and program payments. Enrollment and payments for the Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP) and the Conservation Security Program (CSP) would continue.

Trade

Mandated funding for certain trade and international development would expire on March 16,

2008: export credit guaran-The permanent authority tees, export credit guaranture committee staff, the for price support to productees for emerging markets, market access, foreign market development cooperator, technical assistance for spe-The date when permanent cialty crops, food for progress, dairy export incencommodity is not uniform tives, and facilities credit guarantees. Authority to 1938 Act operates on a mar-finance sales and provide keting year basis, rather additional international food than a crop year basis. Price aid under Public Law 83support rates under the 480 ("PL 480") would expire. 1949 Act, in contrast, are The authority to release assets from the Bill Emerson Humanitarian Trust contin-* Wheat - To receive price ues, yet, the authority to support benefits, producers replenish the Trust expires. must have a 2008 acreage However, McGovern-Dole allotment and must plant Food for Education program wheat in an amount no authority is permanent, greater than the size of the using appropriated funding available through September

> Stamps Food Nutrition

Most child nutrition programs (including school the lunch, school breakfast, WIC) are controlled by child yet. nutrition reauthorization, which is on a different schedule from the farm bill and does not expire until the end of FY 2009. Basic functions of providing assistance under the Food Stamp Act will continue in the 50 states and the District of Columbia. However, the authority to provide food assistance to Puerto Rico and American Samoa under the Food Stamp Act would expire at the end of March.

Rural Development Nearly all of the rural

development programs would continue. **FSA Farm Loan Programs**

The basic farm loan probe eligible because term limits on the number of years for these guarantees would be reinstated without a new farm bill. Beginning farmers and ranchers would no longer benefit from setasides of direct loan funds.

Crop Insurance

Lake Level--March 24, 2008--18.72 feet (-0.24) On Easter Sunday, 40 to 50 hardy people gathered at the Pavilion at the Lake for Sunrise Services sponsored by the Spearman Methodist Church. Luckily this site was somewhat protected from the cool wind of the morning.

There were six campers during the weekend and numerous picnickers brought dinner to the Park on Easter.

Jim said the fish being caught are in the 15 to 16 pound class or are much smaller ones. There should be some lake record blue catfish lurking in the depths of the water just waiting for the right bait or time. The crappie aren't being caught

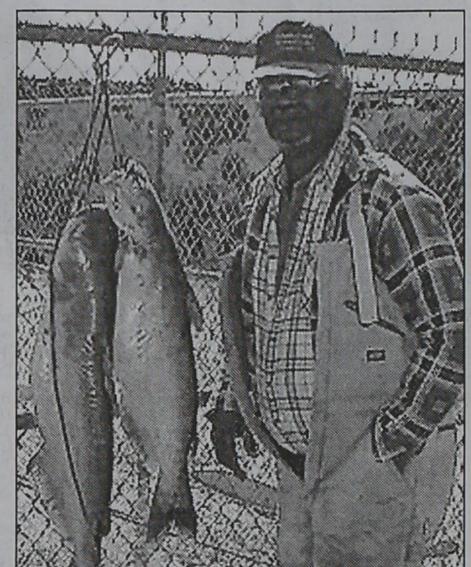
The restrooms have been opened, but it will be awhile before the showers will be

open to the public.

Mountain bikers have been coming out. Jim mentioned seeing Frank and Kitty Edwards on the dirt roads. Ben Butler is another one that enjoys the Park for one that enjoys the Park for mountain biking.

The buzzards are back. Usually the eagles go, and the buzzards come, but Jim saw a mature bald eagle on Friday. He couldn't tell if it was just passing through or if it was one of the foursome that wintered here.

Our daughter Judy of Perry, Oklahoma sent me an



J.D. Benard of Tulia with two blue cats caught recently at Lake Palo Duro.

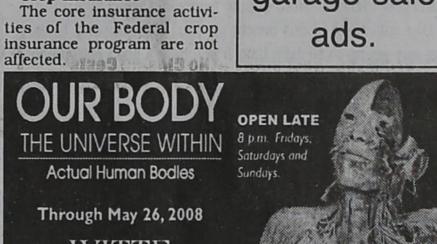
article about a pair of bald incubating 4 eggs now. eagles that had nested at I keep hoping that we Sooner Lake near Perry since 1995. They have added 23 birds to the eagle population in that time. They are

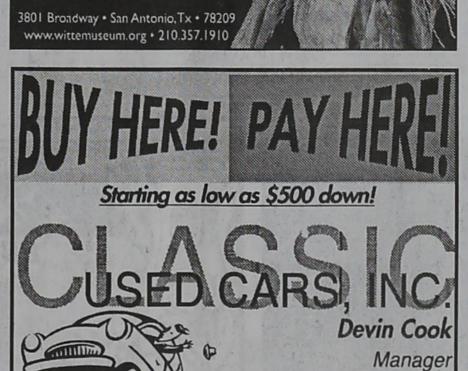
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at the Lake

I keep hoping that we will have a pair of eagles decide this is a good place for a

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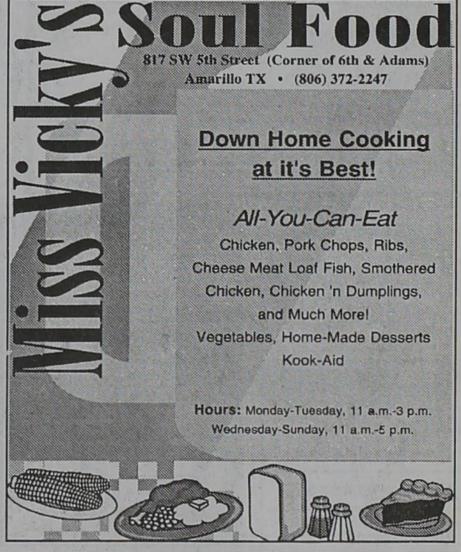




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Hansford County Claims Top Awards at Booker Golf Tournament



Reagan Karlin of Gruver won first in the Booker Golf Tournament with a score of 77.



Blayne Schroeder of Spearman won second in Booker Tournament with a score of 432 to claim the team tro-

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Lynx claimed the top trophy with a team score of 342. Team members are (from left) Blayne Schroeder, Tyler Harper, Cullie Cooper, Trent Goodheart and Brett Winegarner.

Editor's Note: The following article is being reprinted from the Booker News. It was written by Jerry Parvin.

Golf is normally a warm weather game, unless you are competing in the annual Booker High School Golf Tournament F.S. at Robertson Golf Course. The early season tournament is becoming famous for the poor weather conditions and this year was no exception. The girls round was scheduled for last Monday, but was called off because of the cold. The girls joined the boys on Thursday and played their round in temperatures that topped out at

Highlighting the day for the Booker teams was the play of Lady Kiowa junior Allison Floyd, who fired a 92 to claim the girls Medalist title. She led her team to a second place team finish. The Kiowas were led by Tyler Stephenson's third place medalist finish and also finished second.

The girls Medalist race was a run away, as Floyd topped Laverne's Kylee Crocker by eight strokes and Reisa Hayes, also of Laverne by 10

Laverne had a team total

phy. Booker finished second with a 455, Turpin was third in 476 and Darrouzett had a 537 for fourth place.

Individual scores Booker were Floyd 92, Heather Mills 110, Amy Cox 123, Katrina Cobb 130 and

Crystal Dominguez 132. Reagan Karlin of Gruver claimed the medalist title with a round of 77. Blayne Schroeder of Spearman was second with Stephenson finished in a three way tie with Cole Freeman of Follett and Tyler Harper of Spearman.

Freeman opted out of the playoff and Stephenson and Harper battled over three playoff holes to determine the third place Medalist for the tournament.

The Spearman Lynx successfully defended their title with a team score of 342 to reclaim the top trophy. Other scores beside Schroeder's and Harper's were Brett Winegarner 88, Cullie Cooper 90 and Trent Goodheart 94.

Stephenson led the Kiowas to a team score of 364. Other Booker totals were Tanner Coxwell 89, Thomas Pace 94, Dak Hall 96 and Pablo De Santiago 103. Finishing third as a team

was Gruver with a 374. Follett was fourth at 388, Laverne fifth at 391, Woodward sixth at 398 and Fort Elliott was seventh with their 454.

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SHS Spring Sports

High School Golf Results Canadian Invitational at Canadian

The Lynxettes finished 5th at the Canadian Golf Tournament on Monday, March 24th.

Kyla Reed led the Makenzie Crane, 8-5 Lynxettes with a 111, Amber Martinez shot 117, Mattie Davis 119, Brittney Bradley

119 and Tayshia James 121. The Lynxettes will play at Perryton Saturday, March 29th. The District Golf Tournament will be held on Monday, March 31st in Borger.

High School Golf Results Dumas Boys Invitational at Pheasant Trails GC

The Spearman Lynx Golf Team finished in 9th place at the Dumas Invitational on March 21-22.

Tyler Harper led the Lynx with rounds of 77 and 80. Jordan Ashmore shot 86-87, Cullie Cooper 97-87, Sawyer Sutterfield 90-94, and Trent Goodheart 96-91.

Their next tournament is Saturday, March 29th in Perryton.

Kiowa Relays at Booker

Boys
Team totals: 1. Canadian 200. 2. Beaver, Okla., 125. 3. Gruver 84. 4. Wheeler 62. 5. Follett 43. 6. Booker 38. 7. Lefors 30. 8. McLean 22. 9. Fort Elliott 10.

Triple jump: 3. Fitzgerald, Gruver, 37-1. 4. Thompson, Gruver, 36-111/2.

3200: 2. Vega, Gruver, 11:14.25. 800: 3. Mendoza, Gruver,

2:13.65.400: 1. Fitzgerald, Gruver, 55.16. 4. Thoreson, Gruver, 58.47.

200: 1. Vasquez, Gruver, 1600: 2. Vega, Gruver, 5:19.00. 3. Trejo, Gruver,

5:21.73 3:45.45.

Team totals: 1. Beaver, Okla., 184. 2. Canadian 129. 3. Spearman 74. 4. Booker

64. 5. Follett 53. 6. Lefors 52. 7. Fort Elliott 32. 8. Wheeler 14. Triple jump: 1. Howard, Spearman, 32-91/4. 2. Hoherz, Canadian, 32-81/4.

Pole vault: 2. Pittman, Spearman, 8-0. Discus: 1. Schneider,

Spearman, 100-9. 3200: Shields, Spearman, 13:12.35.

800: 2. Deaz, Spearman, 100 hurdles: 1. Howard, Spearman, 17.25. 2

300 hurdles: 1. Pittman, Spearman, 50.43. 1600 relay: 4. Spearman

Amarillo Globe-News Girls Track Honor Roll 3/26/08

Discus Kendall Schneider, 100-9 Pole Vault - Christy Lang, 9-6; Bond Pittman, 8-6;

Amarillo Globe-News Boys Track Honor Roll 3/20/08

110 Hurdles - Jeremy Frost, 15.35 Pole Vault - Miles Messer, 11-6; Dakota Cator, 11-6 High Jump - Rily Urban,

Spearman to Host JV

District Tennis Tourney Spearman High School will host the JV District Tennis Tournament on Saturday, March 29th, beginning at 9 a.m. Schools competing in the tournament will include Spearman, Panhandle and

JV Lynx & Lynxettes Tennis

Canadian.

Spearman Lynxettes and Lynx Tennis Team competed in the JV Amarillo Tournament on Thursday, March 13th. Following are the results.

Girls Singles Vicky Renteria (SP) lost to

Guidino (Hart) 8-4, defeated Worth (Vega) 8-0, defeated Fleeman (Abernathy) 8-1, lost to Braddock (Abernathy) Nikki Boyd (SP) lost to Bird

(Arbor) 8-1, lost to Finck (Tulia) 8-0 Candy Johnson (SP) lost to

Montanez (Tulia) 8-3, lost to Braddock (Nazareth) 8-1 Girls Doubles

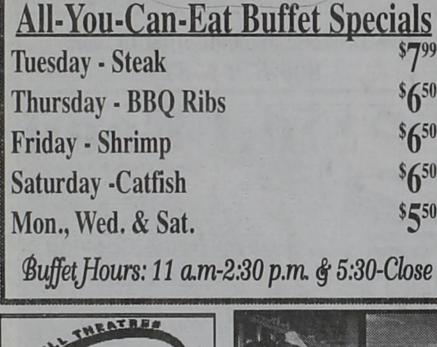
Jessica Pinon & Tori Sheets (SP) lost to Bell & Crist (Vega) 8-2, defeated Carbajal & Lacey (Tulia) 8-5, lost to William & Smother (Highland Park) 9-7

Andi Linn Scarborough & 1600 relay: 3. Gruver Hannah Pittman (SP) lost to Fowler & Welch (Arbor) 8-5, defeated Duxes & Widick (Vega) 9-8 (9-7), lost to Havens (Abernathy(8-0 **Boys Doubles**

Pedro Anaya & Jesus Anaya (SP) defeated Gurley & Kellum (Friona) 8-1, defeated Heck & Heck (Claude) 8-5, lost to Longoria & Montemayor (Hart) 8-1

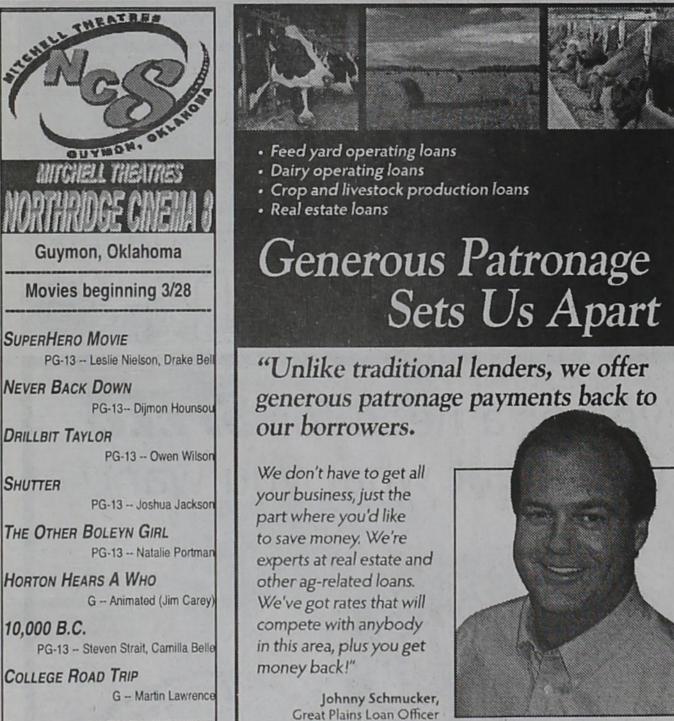
Edgar Castillo & Martin Vela (SP) lost to Ogle & Atchley (Abernathy) 8-4, defeated Azaro & Tamayo (Memphis) 8-5, defeated Khushan (Highland Park) 8-4, lost to Story & Bryan (White Deer)

Leo Juarez & Fabian Frayre (SP) lost to Ellerman & Voyles (Boys Ranch) 8-0, lost to Cordes & Gilbreath (San Jacinto Christian Adademy) 8-3



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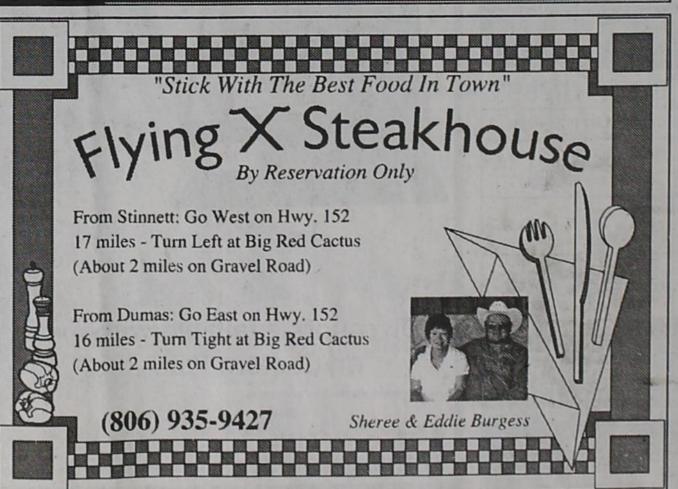
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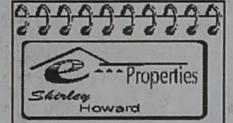
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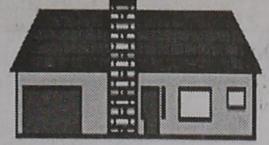
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Cotton Best Management Practice Workshops Scheduled for Dumas, Lubbock

pest management methods will be discussed at two free Best Management Practices training seminars being to ask questions of the offered by Texas AgriLife speakers. Really, it is Extension Service and the encouraged." National Cotton Council.

The meetings will be held from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. April 1 at Moore County Community Building in Dumas and from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. April 2 at Reece Technology Center in in Lubbock, according to Randy Boman, AgriLife Extension cotton agronomist in Lubbock.

"I think this is a good opportunity for producers to hone in on very important Two papers generated as a subject matter within the result of this collaboration -

Harvesting, irrigation and realm of cotton production," Boman said. "The format of these meetings will allow producers and consultants

> Extension and research personnel from various states, as well as crop consultants from across the Cotton Belt, worked together to produce a set of best management practices, said Bill Robertson, Cotton Council manager. This was done with the overall goal of helping cotton growers increase the efficiency and cost effective-ness of their production sys-

"The First Forty Days" and "Fruiting to Finish" - will be utilized during the workshops to generate in-depth discussions of variety selection, pest management and harvest practices, such as stripper versus picker harvesting.

Presenters will be from AgriLife Extension, Texas AgriLife Research and Texas

"We certainly want to encourage producers to attend this, as well as crop consultants," Boman said.
"It won't be a regular Extension meeting, but more of a discussion-oriented meeting.'

Continuing education units will be offered for certified crop advisors and for those who need credits from Texas, Oklahoma, Kansas and New Mexico departments of agriculture, he said.

Seating Robertson said. Those planning to attend should RSVP to BMP@cotton.org and provide information concerning the meeting they want to attend, along with an e-mail address and phone number. Lunch will be provided at both workshops, he said.

For more information, contact Boman at 806-746-6101 or r-boman@tamu.edu, or

Robertson BMP@cotton.org.

Smithsonian Traveling Exhibit Visits Mid-America Air Museum

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Pringle-Morse 5th and 6th Graders Participated in Solo Festival/Recital

Pringle-Morse CISD 5th Trejo, snare drum. and 6th graders participated n a Solo Festival/Recital on March 11th at the Pringle-Morse auditorium. Each stu- students' ang guests.

Superior ratings were

warded to Elsa Adkins,

clarinet; Gabby Bravo, clar-

inet; Gabriel Briseno, trum-

pet; Rodolfo Carrazco, trum-

pet; Alex Ceniceros, alto sax-

ophone; Erin Ford, flute;

Gena Gillispie, flute; Jace

Lane, alto saxophone; James Layton, snare drum; Molly Lieb, flute; Griselda Lopez,

clarinet; Katie Miesner, flute;

Ismael Ortiz, trombone;

Ramon Ortiz, trombone;

Kelsea Porter, baritone horn;

Emilynn Robinson, clarinet;

and Zachary Sandefur,

Excellent ratings were awarded to Chris Bravo, trombone; Misael Mendoza,

tenor saxophone; Kane

Tech University.

Bayer CropScience spon-

sored the two papers and will sponsor the workshops.

Director of Pringle-Morse bands, Anna Marie Holland, was very pleased with the performances. dent played a solo before a Director of Gruver Bands, udge an audience of family Sandy Cross, judged the fes-

tival solos. The seventh and eighth grade classes assisted with the contest administration. A tutorial class selected and prepared hors d'oeuvres and refreshments for guests.

Mid-America Youth Basketball Tournament Scheduled in Gruver

Mid-America Youth Basketball has a tournament coming to Hansford County in the near future. The following tournament and registration deadline applies to you and we would appreciate if you would add it to your list of press

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