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## Gruver Homecoming

**Monday, September 13:** Pajama Day; Powder Puff Game - 7 p.m.  
**Tuesday, September 14:** Garbage Bag Day; Burning of the GHS - 9 p.m.  
**Wednesday, September 15:** Fake an Injury Day  
**Thursday, September 16:** 80's Day; JV vs. Arbor Christian 7 p.m.  
**Friday, September 17:** Spirit Day; Pep Rally - 3 p.m.; Alumni Coronation - 6:45 p.m.; High School Coronation - 7 p.m.; Gruver Greyhounds vs. Hooker, OK - 7:30 p.m.

## Spearman Homecoming

**Monday, September 13:** Nerd Day - "Your chance to be nerdy"  
**Tuesday, September 14:** PJ Day - "Wear your favorite pajamas"; Powder Puff Game - 7 p.m., Lynx Stadium  
**Wednesday, September 15:** Cowboys and Indian Day - "Lets rope the Comanches"  
**Thursday, September 16:** Show Support for Your favorite Team with Caps & Team Apparel; Snake Dance - 7 p.m., SHS; JV Lynx vs. Stratford (there) - 7:30 p.m.  
**Friday, September 17:** Spirit Day - "Everyone wear Lynx Purple"; District-Wide Pep Rally, 2 p.m., Varsity Gym; FFA BBQ Dinner, 5-7 p.m., SHS Cafeteria; Pre-Game Homecoming Festivities, 7 p.m., Lynx Stadium; Spearman Lynx vs. West Texas, 7:30 p.m., Lynx Stadium; Homecoming Dance, 10 p.m.-1 a.m.  
Dress Code must be followed on ALL dress-up days.

## GISD Teacher Under Investigation for Misconduct

A Gruver teacher is under investigation for misconduct involving a student. Superintendent David Teal confirmed he received information about the alleged incident last Thursday, September 2, 2010.

The Gruver Independent School District conducted an investigation, and now the Gruver Police and Hansford County District Attorney's Office are following with their own investigations.

The District Attorney's Office is still investigating to determine if a crime has been committed.

The age of the student, or the age of the student when the alleged misconduct occurred, have not been released.

Following is the Statement from David Teal, Gruver ISD Superintendent:

### Statement Regarding Resignation of Gruver ISD Teacher

As the designated spokesperson and superintendent for the Gruver Independent School District, I am issuing the following statement.

Earlier this week, I received a report that a Gruver ISD teacher was allegedly involved in educator misconduct with a District student. In response to the allegation, the administration immediately began an investigation. In the course of this investigation, the District also contacted the Gruver Police Department, which has initiated an investigation. The District will cooperate with the Gruver Police Department and Hansford District Attorney's Office to the maximum extent allowed by law. The teacher has tendered her resignation immediately.

In accordance with Texas law, I have notified the Texas Education Agency, Educator Certification and Standards Division to inform it of the alleged educator misconduct.

Because of privacy issues concerning students and personnel, the District cannot comment about the details of the allegations or the investigation. Please be assured, however, that the administration has taken all precautions and corrective action to ensure the safety of our students in this matter. Law enforcement will decide if any criminal charges should be levied, and the Texas Education Agency will determine whether any sanctions should be taken against the teacher's teaching certificate. Unless new allegations or information are revealed, the District has no further comment at this time.

## Dedication Scheduled for Maj. Cornelius Field

Jake Willimon, a Life Scout in Troop 551 of Spearman, is working on his Eagle Scout Project.

For his project, he chose to build a monument for Maj. Samuel B. Cornelius at Maj. Samuel B. Cornelius Field (Spearman Municipal Airport).

Many people aren't aware, but the name of the airport was recently changed to honor Maj. Cornelius.

Willimon replaced the airport sign and is building a memorial in honor of Maj. Cornelius that will consist of a granite monument and a flag pole.

Maj. Cornelius lived and went to high school in Spearman. After graduation he attended college at Texas Tech, where he became the first football player from Spearman to play on Texas Tech's football team. After graduating from Tech's ROTC Program, he attended the Air Force Academy in Colorado Springs, CO and became a career pilot.

On June 16, 1973, Maj. Cornelius and his co-pilot, Capt. John J. Smallwood, were shot down in their F-4 Phantom over Cambodia and listed as Missing in Action. Their bodies were never found.

On September 17, 2010, National POW/MIA Recognition Day, Willimon will host a dedication ceremony for the memorial. It will begin at 9:30 a.m. and the public is invited to attend.



Maj. Samuel B. Cornelius



Jake Willimon is pictured with the new sign for Maj. Samuel B. Cornelius Field. Willimon built the sign as part of his Eagle Scout Project.

## Hutchinson County Battles Grass Fires

Hutchinson County's Fire Marshal says dry, windy conditions and low humidity contributed to two grass fires Sunday.

The first started near Stinnett around 12:30 p.m. or 1 p.m. They say it was caused by a power line. About 500 acres burned. It took nearly three hours to get under control. Officials say there were no injuries and no structures were harmed.

Another fire started in the Buggy area near Lake Meredith around 3:30 p.m. Officials say there were no known injuries. The fire marshal told us some fire got near horse pens, but he isn't sure whether they were damaged. He said the fire was contained and under control as of early evening. The marshal says it started by the road and that crews will likely stay on scene through Sunday evening looking for a cause.

Multiple area fire departments assisted in combating both fires.

## CROSS COUNTRY

**Gruver Greyhounds/Lady Hounds**  
The Gruver Greyhounds and Lady Hounds Jr. High and High School Cross Country teams will compete in the Perryton Cross Country Meet on Saturday, September 11th.

### Spearman Lynx/Lynxettes

The Spearman Lynx and Lynxettes Jr. High, Jr. Varsity and Varsity Cross Country teams will compete in the Perryton Cross Country Meet on Saturday, September 11th.

## COME TO THE GAME

**SPEARMAN LYNX** vs **Shamrock**  
9/10  
7:30 p.m.  
at Shamrock

**Gruver Greyhounds** vs **Arbuckle**  
9/10  
7:30 p.m.  
at Panhandle

### Gruver Greyhounds

The Jr. High football teams will play White Deer in Gruver at 5 p.m. on 9/9. The JV football team will play White Deer in White Deer at 6 p.m. on 9/9. The Jr. High football teams will play Pampa "C" in Gruver at 5 p.m. on 9/16. The JV football team will play Arbor Christian in Gruver at 7 on 9/16

### Spearman Lynx

The 7th Grade football team will play Shamrock at 5 p.m. in Spearman on 9/9. The 8th Grade football team will play Sunray at 6:15 p.m. on 9/9. The JV football team will play Sunray in Sunray at 7:30 p.m. on 9/9. The 7th Grade (5 p.m.), 8th Grade (6:15 p.m.) and JV (7:30 p.m.) football teams will play Stratford on 9/16 in Stratford.

## Weather Forecast

**THURSDAY NIGHT** - Mostly clear. Lows in the lower 60s. South winds 10 to 20 mph.

**FRIDAY** - Sunny. Highs in the lower 90s. West winds 10 to 15 mph.

**FRIDAY NIGHT** - Clear. Lows in the mid 50s.

**SATURDAY** - Mostly sunny. Highs in the upper 80s.

**SATURDAY NIGHT** - Mostly clear. Lows in the lower 60s.

**SUNDAY** - Mostly sunny. Highs in the upper 80s.

**SUNDAY NIGHT** - Clear. Lows in the lower 60s.

**MONDAY** - Mostly sunny. Highs in the mid 90s.

**MONDAY NIGHT** - Mostly clear. Lows in the lower 60s.

**TUESDAY** - Mostly sunny. Highs in the lower 90s.

**WEDNESDAY** - Partly cloudy. Highs around 90.

Read more: <http://www.city-data.com/forecast/w-Spearman-Texas.html#ixzz0xgJSWQkT>

## Texas Crop & Weather

The following specific livestock, crop and weather conditions were reported by Panhandle Extension directors: The region was hot and dry -- average for the region this time of the year. Soil-moisture levels varied from short to surplus with most reporting adequate. Corn, cotton and sorghum were rated mostly fair to good. Wheat planting continued. Rangeland and pastures were mostly in fair condition. Cattle were in good condition.



## Hounds Fall to Red Devils

The Gruver Greyhounds were defeated by the Texhoma Red Devils on Friday, September 3, 2010 in Texhoma.

The Hounds will play Farwell at 7:30 p.m. on Friday, September 10, 2010 in Panhandle.

See related story on page 6

**RIGHT** - Payton Thoreson makes a run for a first down in Gruver's game against the Texhoma Red Devils. (Photo by Charlie Johnson)

## Lynx Defeat Mustangs

The Spearman Lynx defeated the Wheeler Mustangs 34-27 on Friday, September 3rd in Wheeler.

The Lynx will play Shamrock at 7:30 p.m. on Friday, September 10, 2010 in Shamrock.

See related story on page 6

**LEFT** - Jace Lang-Swan (13) carries the ball for the Lynx in their victory over the Wheeler Mustangs. (Photo by Tami Hargrove. Pictures available at <http://spearmansports.smugmug.com>)





# Happy Birthday!

**September 9 Birthday** - Jantzen Dahl, Brian Kaugman, Dora Salgado, Doug Hohertz, Dariana Arjona, Kitty Edwards, Krystal Lackey, Debbie Abston, Jeannie Swan, Brian Payne, Merle Arthur, Alvin Byers, Tina Baumgardner, Nikki Boyd, Kitty Edwards, Dynell Vera Moore, Andrew James Burch

**Anniversary** - M/M Kyle Williams, Brad & Dodie Beedy, Al & Jean Smith

**September 10 Birthday** - Donnie Osborne, Michael Minter, Derek Kuehl, Lil Turner, Rosa Alexander, Don Moore, Jeff Hand, Makala Weakly, Scott Wilkerson, Rosa Rodriguez, Susan Harnish, Chris Lopez, Janett Trosper, Quentin Shieldknight, Jarick Howard, Brent Collins, Kami Hammonds

**Anniversary** - M/M Pedro Garza

**September 11 Birthday** - Erika Stedje, Gary Lynn Evans, Ginger Pittman, DaVonna Dharsh, Jimmy Jackson, Jim Davis, Teresa Pipkin, Clarence Mitchell, Tony Pacheco Jr., Julia Wofford, Everette Layton, Angela Lomeli, Janice Watley, Jean Laughlin, Trey Duke

**Anniversary** - Rusty & Judy Tindell, Buck & Beatrice Self

**September 12 Birthday** - Linda Haight, Evi Meyer, Carrie Ann Guthrie, Deanne Gilley, Connie Shields, Issabella Hermosello, Peggy Varnon, Ty Martin, Quincy Graber, Roland Graber, Chasidy Thomas, Charles Elliott

**Anniversary** - M/M Wayne Kruse

**September 13 Birthday** - Alice Alvarez, Mindy Davis, Aaron Frick, Pam Harris, Kevin Holt, B.J. Renner, Jimmy Beeson, Carol Hergert, Hadley Reed, Terry Cook, Jim Baker, Burt Williams, Charolette Jackson, Keri Holt, Kalib Nash, Zeke Meddock

**Anniversary** - M/M Dennis Nelson, M/M Tindle Ramon

Justin Duncan, William O'Connell, Johnny Dunning, Allen Hart, Robin Snider, Ken Schneider, Gregg VanBuskirk, Clayton Williams, Velma Sanders, Doug Holmes, Steven Salazar, Joel Stark, Debbie Canto

**September 15 Birthday** - Les Barkley, Dan Ralston, Karen Durham, Becky Byers, Misty Dawn Villarreal, Matt Jones, Audrey Winegarner, Debbie Dingman, Amanda Bowman, Matthew Jones, Arturo Huerta, Gary Vasek

**Anniversary** - M/M Bob Meek, Karen & Buford Babitzke

**September 16 Birthday** - Marcia Kuehl, Terrell Evans, Jarret Warren, Oscar Rojas Jr., Jason Evans, Leticia Salazar, Frank Galvin, Pauline Winger, Silvia Lopez, Margy Schoenhals

**Anniversary** - M/M Charles Greenwood

**September 17 Birthday** - Hugh Bell, Krystle Deeds, Pablo Perez, Glenda Renner, Johnny White, Jan Allen, Helen Melton, Joe Wattier, Teresa Ford, Myrtle Eller, Janna Brock, Robbie Cochran, R.D. McLain, Judy Fredrick, Mario Molina, Dale Wofford, Andrew Cummings, Kayla Swink

**Anniversary** - M/M Larry Kennedy, M/M Ray Gressett

**September 18 Birthday** - Betty Davis, Alton Ellsworth, Pat Jackson, Scarlett Jackson, Cary Cates, Mrs. Don Ladd, Donna Phillips, Van Hamilton, David Baca, Jamie Townsen

**Anniversary** - M/M Scott Swan

**September 19 Birthday** - Sally Holt Meek, Carol Hester, Sue Jackson, Tildon Sparks, Jim Jones, Amadita Vargas, Alberto Vargas, Randy Kirk, Tammy Woodward, Julie Pittman, Cassidy Taylor

**Anniversary** - M/M Dennis Nelson, M/M Tindle Ramon

## Words from Faith & Grace

by Cecil R. Biggers, Lutheran Lay Minister



We learn of God's steadfast love and unending mercy as we study Exodus 32: 1-14, Psalm 51: 1-10, 1 Timothy 1: 12-17, and Luke 15: 1-10.

Moses has ascended the mountain to talk with the Lord. The people grow edgy and ask Aaron to show them the God who shall go before us. Aaron, brother of Moses and future high priest, casts a calf of gold and proclaims, "This is your God, O Israel, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt". [Note that Aaron's sin here is not in creating a false idol, but in creating a false image of the True God.] Up on the mountain, God tells Moses that the people Moses brought out of Egypt are turning from God and need to be destroyed. Moses defends the people by arguing that God brought the people out of Egypt and if they are destroyed the Egyptians could slur God's name and by arguing that God had promised to make a great people out of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, not Moses. God relents from destroying the people. This can be viewed as a commentary on the first commandment and a commentary on the fickle nature of the people's faith. This story does show us the steadfast love of God.

Psalm 51 is a psalm of David in his plea to God to forgive him for his sin with Bath-Sheba. In this psalm, David has hit rock bottom. He is utterly without hope and the weight of his sin is too great for him, he pleads, "Create in me a clean heart, O God, and put a new and right spirit within me." David is nothing without the grace of God. For this very reason we have adopted a portion of this Psalm in our liturgy of worship.

Paul gives thanks to God because he has chosen Paul as an apostle, he has trusted Paul, he has appointed Paul for service, and he has empowered Paul to serve. God has done this for Paul even when Paul believes himself to be the foremost of sinners. Paul gains strength in his service by reviewing the sin which God forgave him. Paul persecuted the Church as a man of violence and became the Church's greatest evangelist through God's grace. Sometimes, dear Christian, we receive God's mercy despite our opposition to God's purposes. Conversion to Christianity involves God's Holy Spirit working within us; our response to this work of the Holy Spirit; and, usually the agency of some Christian person who delivers the gospel to us.

Jesus is keeping company with tax collectors and sinners. In fact, Jesus seems to attract sinners who want to hear him. The Pharisees are appalled at this mingling with sinners. The Pharisees believed that there was joy in heaven over one sinner who was obliterated before God. Jesus tells a parable of a lost sheep and the shepherd who leaves ninety-nine sheep to rescue the one stray. Jesus tells a parable of a woman who loses one of ten coins and immediately lights a lamp and cleans her house until she finds it. Jesus tells those around him that as these 'seekers' are joyful at finding that which they lost, so is God and the heavenly host joyful when one sinner repents.

May the Holy Spirit bring God's grace to you that you may cause rejoicing in heaven by your repentance.

## Our Sympathy

CALVIN JAMES BABITZKE

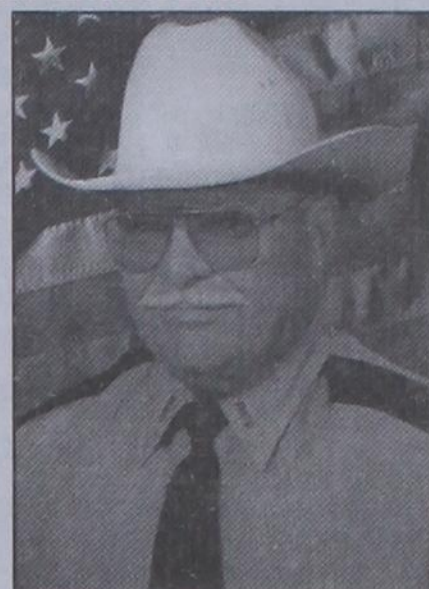
**BORGER** - Calvin James Babitzke, 63, of Borger passed away Sunday Sept. 5th at his home in Borger.

Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Thursday, September 9, 2010 at Cornerstone Church with Pastor Shian Klassen officiating. Graveside services will follow at 4 p.m. at Hansford Cemetery in Spearman under the direction of Minton/Chatwell Funeral Directors of Borger.

Calvin was born Sept. 13, 1946 at Canadian, TX to Henry and Christina Babitzke. He served in Law Enforcement for many years. He worked for Lipscomb County 25 years, sixteen years as Sheriff. He later worked for Hutchinson County. He married Geneva Longley on June 9, 1967 at Spearman, TX. Calvin was a member of Cornerstone Church in Borger where he was head usher.

Calvin is survived by his wife, Geneva of Borger; mother, Christina Babitzke of Canadian; a special son, Jason Pudwell of Dallas; a brother, Buford Babitzke and wife Karen of Spearman; a sister, Eline Burch and husband Don of Canadian; two brothers-in-law, Darrel Longley and wife Vera of Elizabeth, CO and Clifton Longley and wife Twila of Vici, OK; 4 nieces; 7 nephews; and a host of friends.

The family suggests donations be made to Cornerstone Church, PO Box 3172, Borger TX 79008.



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He has showed you, O man, what is good. And what does the LORD require of you? To act justly and to love mercy and to walk humbly with your God.  
Micah 6:8

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FOR YOUR INFORMATION

### Medical Fund for Bruce Duncan

A medical fund has been established for Bruce Duncan at First National Bank, Spearman. If you would like to make a donation you may make a deposit with any teller or mail a donation to First National Bank, Bruce Duncan Medical Fund, PO Box 337, Spearman TX 79081.

### Hansford Gun Club Rifle Shoot

The Hansford Gun Club holds a .22 rifle shoot on the second Sunday of each month, starting at 1:30 p.m. at the gun range (located on Hwy. 15 between Spearman and Gruver). Everyone is invited to join the fun.

### Hansford Golf Club Hosts Tuesday Night Scrambles

The Hansford County Golf Club has begun their Tuesday Night Scrambles. Tee-time is at 6 p.m. sharp. The cost is \$10 per person. Teams are drawn. For more information, or to sign up, call 659-2233.

### Fire Department Donations

Persons wishing to make donations to the Fire Departments in Hansford County may do so at the following addresses: Spearman Fire Dept., Box 37, Spearman TX 79081; Gruver Fire Dept., Box 947, Gruver TX 79040 or Morse Fire Dept., Box 28, Morse TX 79062.

### Celebrating 90 Years of Life

Mrs. Wilma Clark is Celebrating 90 Years of Life at the Fellowship Hall of the First United Methodist Church in Spearman on Saturday, September 25, 2010 from 1:30 to 3:00 p.m.

### Rainbow Kids Klub is Back!!

Our new building if finished and we are inviting all children Kindergarten -Fifth grade to join Rainbow Kids Klub. This is a weekly after school program with snacks, recreation, character building Bible lessons, memorization, music, games and its all free. Rainbow Kids Klub begins Wednesday, September 8, after school until 5 p.m. at the First United Methodist Church, 407 S. Haney in Spearman. Invitations and enrollment forms will be given out at school. Please bring the enrollment form when you bring your child to Rainbow Kids Klub. For more information call 659-5503.

### Rushing Wind Emmaus Community

Rushing Wind Emmaus Community will meet Saturday, September 11, in Canadian at the First United Methodist Church, 520 Main Street. The Board of Directors will meet at 4 p.m. followed by a community potluck meal at 6 p.m., sponsors training, and a praise and worship service. Friends and families are welcome and a nursery will be provided.

### "Deal or No Deal" - Lunch & Learn

Can we play "let's make a deal" when it comes to Nutrition and Health? To find the answer come to Lunch & Learn, Friday, September 17, from 12-1 p.m. at the Fellowship Hall of Spearman Church of Christ. She will discuss Gluten Intolerance at 1:15 p.m. for those who would like to stay for this presentation. The program is sponsored by Texas AgriLife Extension Service. For more information call Peggy Winegarner, Hansford County Extension Agent (659-4131 or 733-2901). Donations for lunch will be accepted. Door prizes will be given.

### 4-H Club Enrollment- Sign Up Now!

Spearman 4-H Club will meet, Monday, September 13th, at 7:00 PM in Spearman County Barn. Gruver 4-H Club will meet Tuesday, September 14th, at 7:00 PM in Gruver County Barn. Youth wishing to enroll in 4-H must be 9 years old, or in 3rd grade or older. Sign up starts now for the new year. Come to the meeting and discover the many projects and activities available through 4-H. Foods projects will start in September, as well as Beef, Sheep, Swine, Livestock Judging, and Share-the-Fun. Call County Extension Agents Peggy Winegarner or Burt Williams (659-4130 or 733-2901) for more information. All youth 3rd grade through age 19 may participate in 4-H regardless of their race, color, sex, disability or national origin.

### Panhandle Professional Writers

Panhandle Professional Writers will meet on Saturday, September 18, 2010 at St. Stephen United Methodist Church's West Campus. Lunch will be catered at a cost of \$10 per dish. For reservations, please contact Kenja Purkey by email at, ppwlunch@gmail.com or leave a voicemail at 806-570-1468. Nonmembers are welcome to attend at a cost of \$5.00 each which can be credited to your \$30.00 annual membership dues if you choose to join at this meeting. Students with id cards may attend meetings for \$1.00. Morning Session speaker: Ann Domela, Romance Writer, author of Banned in Boston. Afternoon Session speaker: Dan Schneider, NASA Contractor will speak on the Space Program. Meeting location - St. Stephen United Methodist Church, West Campus at 4415 Wesley Dr., Amarillo. Greeting time - 9:30 a.m. Morning Session- 10-12 a.m.; Lunch 12-12:45 p.m.; Business Mtg. 12:45-1 p.m.; Afternoon Session 1:00-3:30 p.m. \$5 for guests - \$1 students with ID Deferred if join PPW—dues \$30 per year. Lunch is \$10.00. RSVP to Kenja Purkey by Sept. 14 ppwlunch@gmail.com. www.panhandleprowriters.org

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### Mandi Lusby to Speak at Hansford Hospice Meeting

Hansford Hospice Volunteers will meet Monday night, September 13th at 7 p.m. at First State Bank Community Room, Spearman, TX. Mandi Lusby will present the program at 7:30, following the business meeting.

### Perryton Area Parkinson's Disease Support Group

The Perryton Area Parkinson's Disease Support Group will meet Friday, September 10 at noon at the Mennonite Church,

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# It Is All Well With Their Souls

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**By Jon Mark Beilue, Amarillo Globe-News**

Theirs was one of countless small-town weddings last Saturday night. This one was on a cloudless early evening, a slight hint of fall in the air.

The First United Methodist Church was full with more than 200 in attendance. Most men, who make their living outdoors, were in coat and tie, and most women were in their best dresses. A mother got up to quiet her baby.

Eight bridal attendants in purple made their way down the aisle, wearing smiles and preparing no doubt for tears yet to come. Shea Lowe was radiant in her bridal dress. Her father, Bud, escorted her as he and wife Marsha gave her away to Brian Lair. Brian was the one with a smile as wide as his face, a genuine smile that seemed to never leave.

In a way, this wedding was like thousands of others in this country on the first Saturday in September. And, yet, it was like none. None at all. And that it wasn't is both heart-warming and heartbreaking, beautiful and brave.

"If someone would have told me five years ago that on the week of my wedding, I would be giving my fiancée chemo, I would have not believed them," Shea said. "I would have said that I'm not going down that route. But now I wouldn't change one thing. It's perfect and the way it's supposed to be."

Her beaming husband has brain cancer. Brian was diagnosed with a brain tumor on July 23, 2008, about seven months after

the two began dating long distance, and three weeks after Shea moved to Amarillo to accept a teaching position at the Woodlands Elementary to be closer to Brian.

They thought those seizures and momentary losses of memory Brian had been having a few months before might be related to some concussions when he had been on the Red River ski team for years. But tests revealed unfortunately it was not. It was a tumor, about the size of a woman's fist in the right frontal lobe.

Thus began a medical odyssey of six surgeries in Dallas, six weeks of radiation, seven months of chemotherapy and one biopsy. Shea never forsook the man she was growing to love more with each passing day.

"I couldn't have done this without her," Brian said. "Everybody is great when times are good and things are easy. But Shea has meant the world to me."

Following the last of his six surgeries in late March, Brian was wheeled in from the recovery room to his own room. Unknown to him because of a loss of peripheral vision, Shea was there in the room. She could hear Brian bragging to the nurse about his girlfriend, how she needed to meet her, about the crown of thorns ring Shea had given to him.

"He told the nurse that some days life is hard and some days are not fun, but that it's not anything Jesus hasn't done for me already," Shea said. "That was the first time he had verbalized that."

Shea had seen a deeper, stronger Brian, one more mature in his faith, one more positive about an unsure future. Brian had seen a rock, a help mate, someone he wanted to spend the rest of his life with. He wanted to propose in that Dallas hospital room - he had already picked out a ring - but made it official on April 6 in Amarillo.



Soon a date was picked - Sept. 4.

Meanwhile, the medical reports were positive. Things were looking all right. The tumor had not grown. Then in May, expecting to again hear the same encouraging news, Brian instead heard the brain tumor was now enlarged. And, like a blow to the stomach, there was another tumor as well.

A neurosurgeon ominously suggested they move the wedding date up. But, no, they would not. The wedding would proceed as scheduled.

And so on Saturday night, Jonathan Mast, on the staff at Hillside Christian in Amarillo where both go to church, conducted the wedding in the church where Shea grew up. Greg Lair, a Canyon auto dealership owner and Brian's dad, was best man.

Mast would tell the packed church it was not by chance or coincidence these two 27-year-olds were brought together, but

that God brought them to this moment, to this altar, to this Saturday.

And those vows that even the best-intentioned couples sometimes gloss over were profound, especially when they took turns with this, "in sickness and in health, to love and to cherish, until separated by death, as God is my witness, I give you my promise."

"Love endures all things," Mast told them. "The kind of love you have is special. It's very special."

On this night in a small-town church, love and faith conquered fear, conquered the uncertainty of future tests. It has made the unbearable bearable. Love and faith wore a smile in the midst of pain. It conquered it all.

At the start of the wedding procession, pianist Kathy Gillispie and violinist Jody Wallin played, "It Is Well With My Soul." And it was well. It was very well.

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# Coming Home— A Vietnam Story



Tim and his wife, Jenifer, in front of a rice field.

**Editor's Note** The following story was written by Laurie Ezzell Brown of *The Canadian Record*. The story is being reprinted with permission.

Considering the deep and lasting imprint the Vietnam War has had on this country's collective psyche, it is difficult to believe that a whole generation of Americans knows little to nothing of that war other than what it is taught—either in school or at the knee of one of the now aging veterans who served in the military during that time.

This story, and a related one which will be published in next week's *Record*, offer moving testimony to the war's lasting impact, and to the very human stories that continue to unfold in its aftermath. This is the story of a child orphaned by the war, the family that found him, and his return to his native country four decades later.

NGUYEN PHI HUNG was eighteen months old when he was first delivered into his mother's arms in the Denver airport. It was Mother's Day 1971, and Phi Hung had just traveled a third of the way around the world to find his family.

Phi Hung was one of an estimated 800,000 South Vietnamese children orphaned by the war. Until Pan American Flight 2 whisked him away to America, he had spent most of his young life in an orphanage which—like many others in that war-torn country—was understaffed, underequipped and a breeding ground for deadly disease. So difficult were the conditions and so insurmountable the many obstacles to their care that many of the children who had been left there died.

Phi Hung was different. The Catholic nuns who ran the orphanage nicknamed him "flying hero." One, Sister Andrea, took a special interest and called him "my Superman," because, as she later explained, he was a survivor.

"God picked him," said Carolyn Fletcher, the Gruver woman who, with her husband Richie, stood in the airport that Mother's Day forty years ago waiting to receive their young son.

Fifteen months earlier, Carolyn had stumbled across the brief human interest story in *Guideposts* that would change hers and her families lives forever. "The Warm Nest"

told of a young Australian schoolteacher, Rosemary Taylor, who went to Vietnam in 1967 as an educational social worker, and whose mission it became to care for war's youngest victims by finding hundreds of them homes and loving families.

That story planted a seed. "It just sparked something in my soul that would not let go of me," Carolyn said. "I was fascinated by it...that this woman would leave her home and go over there, make that commitment and sacrifice. It just touched my heart."

"It was just a real intense time in that country and with the American involvement," Carolyn said. "This seemed like a way to possibly have something that might come out of that war that would have a positive effect on our lives."

Carolyn and Richie had been married less than ten years and already had two children of their own. "We really hadn't planned on extending our family," she said. "This story just touched us."

Thus began their quest—a quest that involved dozens of laboriously hand-written letters between the Fletchers and Taylor and others, racing against time and battling snarls of red tape to get as many children as possible safely out of Vietnam before the political situation there deteriorated further.

"If it hadn't been for the devotion of the workers in orphanages and their desire to get kids out of the country as quickly as they could, it wouldn't have happened," Carolyn said.

Phi Hung's destiny, though, seemed pre-ordained. Asked whether they preferred a boy or girl, the Fletchers answered, "We want the

child that needs us."

The little Superman not only needed a home and parents to love him, but was just ornery enough to survive in the orphanage's difficult conditions. Most of the children had had very little attention or care in their short lives. Amidst so much illness, disease and neglect, signs of lethargy were a bad omen. When the Fletchers' appeal for a child arrived, the spirited Phi Hung was chosen.

In the adoption papers, his new parents named him Phillip Timothy Fletcher.

Tim arrived in Denver badly malnourished showing signs of chronic ear infections. Carolyn and Richie took him straight to their pediatrician in Amarillo. "We thought he was deathly ill," said Carolyn. "He wouldn't make a peep, wouldn't even cry."

But once they arrived in Gruver, where Tim was greeted by his brother and sister, six-year-old Stan and four-year-old Lori, "his personality changed completely," she remembered. "He was transformed."

"God picked him," his mother said, pausing a second before adding, "with Rosemary's help. She was an angel."

When Tim decided—some time around his fortieth birthday—to retrace those ancestral steps and return to Vietnam, he turned, as his parents had before him, to Rosemary Taylor. Unlike his mother, though, who spent agonizing months making daily trips to the post office in anticipation of any new word on the adoption process, Tim and his wife Jennifer turned to Google and Facebook.

There, they were able to locate Taylor and others

who had helped in the adoption process, and to connect with other Vietnamese adoptees and their families. The technologically-assisted ability to connect so quickly to his past left little time for second thoughts.

In one of their searches, the Fletchers found a number for Taylor in Bangkok. Now in her 70's, Taylor still volunteers with Friends for All Children, an organization which assists the orphaned, handicapped and deprived children of Thailand, as well as other refugees.

When Tim called and identified himself, Taylor said, "Hold on just a minute."

As he held the phone, Tim could hear her moving around in the background. "She got a book out and read off my name, my parents' name in Gruver...the whole thing," Tim said. "She had the whole thing right there."

In doing their research, the Fletchers also found other orphans who had been adopted by families in other countries—including Emanuelle, who was an orphan at the same time and place as Tim, and who now lives in France.

Emanuelle had already returned to Vietnam and found her birth mother. She encouraged them to make the trip and shared some of what she had learned. "Be prepared if you do find your mother," she told them. "You can't just say, 'Here I am. See you later now.'"

It is something you cannot walk away from once you've found them, she warned.

The Fletchers also talked to Cindy Bowen, whose first husband—MSG Charles Newton—

was listed as Missing In Action in April of 1969. Newton was part of a six-member U.S. Army Special Forces team that had been taken into known enemy territory to do reconnaissance. As his team returned from their mission, they came under fire from hostile forces.

Several years after Newton's disappearance, Bowen had visited South Vietnam. Talking to her helped prepare Tim and Jennifer for their journey. By the time they had acquired passports, talked to others and planned what would be a 16-day trek, the Fletchers were ready.

"We were totally at peace the whole trip," Tim said.

The Fletchers arrived at the Saigon Airport on July 7. Weary from their 30-hour flight, they were shuttled through customs and immigration. It is there that Tim may have first felt he had finally arrived at his birthplace. "The immigration officer just looked at my passport and stamped it," said Jennifer. "But when they looked at Tim's, he stamped it and handed it back to him, saying, 'Welcome to your home.'"

As plotted out in the days before their July 6 departure from Houston, this was no toe-dipped-in-the-water tour of Vietnam's glamour spots. Tim and Jennifer wanted to learn about his native country, to immerse themselves in what they knew was a very different culture than their own.

To be continued in next week's issue of *The Hansford County Reporter-Statesman*. See the full story and photos at [www.spearmanreporter.com](http://www.spearmanreporter.com).

## Rainbow Kid's Klub IS BACK!

Our new building if finished and we are inviting all children Kindergarten through Fifth grade to join Rainbow Kids Klub. This is a weekly after school program with snacks, recreation, character building Bible lessons, memorization, music, games and its all free. Rainbow Kids Klub begins Wednesday, September 8, after school until 5 p.m. at the First United Methodist Church, 407 S. Haney in Spearman. Invitations and enrollment forms will be given out at school. Please bring the enrollment form when you bring your child to Rainbow Kids Klub. For more information call 659-5503.

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## Ditch The Workout And Join The Zumba Fitness Party!

Zumba Classes began on Wednesday September 8th at 5:30 p.m. at the O'Loughlin Center.

Brooke Greene, certified Zumba Instructor, will be leading this fun and exciting class. Classes will be held weekly on Wednesday at 5:30 p.m. beginning September 8th and on Monday beginning on September 13th at 6:30 p.m.

The Zumba workout program, which combines Latin dance moves with resistance training, provides an intense workout no matter your fitness level (and no, you don't have to be a seasoned salsa dancer to pick up the steps). It also burns anywhere from 400 to 500 calories per 45-minute session—or more, depending on how intensely you move. Thanks to the upbeat music and "party" exercise atmosphere, Zumba also has the reputation for being one of the hottest (and most fun) cardio workouts out there right now.

Zumba classes feature exotic rhythms like salsa, merengue, cumbia and samba set to sexy Latin and international beats. Before participants know it, their abs, arms and thighs are toned up and their energy level is soaring! There's no other fitness class like the Zumba Fitness-Party™. It's easy to do, effective and totally exhilarating.

O'Loughlin Center members can attend the Zumba class for free. Non-members will be charged \$3 per class, or you may buy an O'Loughlin Center Punch Pass.

Punch Passes come in the following increments: 5 punches for \$15, 10 punches for \$25, or 15 punches for \$30. A Punch Pass entitles non-members to attend any Fitness Class (Zumba, Gutz & Buttz, Healthy & Happy). Punch Passes do not entitle the non-member to use fitness equipment. The more punches you buy the cheaper the class fee will be!

2010 Spearman Junior Lynx Schedule			
<b>Week 2 - September 11</b>			
At Spearman:			
10:00 AM	LYNX VS. Bobcats	3rd & 4th	
12:00 PM	Bobcats VS. LYNX	5th & 6th	
<b>Week 3 - September 18</b>			
At Borger:			
4:00 PM	LYNX VS. Panthers	3rd & 4th	
6:00 PM	Panthers VS. LYNX	5th & 6th	
<b>Week 4 - September 25</b>			
At Borger:			
8:00 AM	LYNX VS. Sooners	3rd & 4th	
10:00 AM	Buffs VS. LYNX	5th & 6th	
<b>Week 5 - October 2</b>			
At Borger:			
12:00 PM	Titans VS. LYNX	3rd & 4th	
2:00 PM	LYNX VS. Pirates	5th & 6th	
<b>Week 6 - October 9</b>			
At Borger:			
12:00 PM	Eagles VS. LYNX	3rd & 4th	
2:00 PM	LYNX VS. Longhorns	5th & 6th	
<b>Week 7 - October 16</b>			
At Spearman:			
10:00 AM	Cowboys (ST) VS. LYNX	3rd & 4th	
12:00 PM	LYNX VS. Irish	5th & 6th	

## Lynx Maul Mustangs

Spearman's Blayne Schroeder scored on a 2-yard run in overtime to take the Lynx to victory over Wheeler, 34-27.

The Mustangs scored early in the first quarter, but this did not deter the Lynx from avenging their 14-7 loss last year to the Mustangs. Cameron Meddock ran 51 yards for a touchdown to tie before the end of the first quarter.

The Mustangs scored again in the second quarter, but the Lynx answered with a 42-yard touchdown pass from quarterback Blayne Schroeder to Joel Mendoza.

The Mustangs and Lynx exchanged points again in the third quarter. Schroeder made a 32-yard touchdown late in the third quarter to tie the score at 21.

Meddock scored from the one yardline, but the PAT was no good. The Lynx led for the first time in the game, 27-21. The Mustangs answered with a 62-yard touchdown. The PAT was no good, leaving the score tied at 27-27.

The Lynx got the ball first in overtime, Schroeder threw a pass to Everado Flores, who took the ball to the 2-yardline. Schroeder scored, and the PAT was good, making the score 34-27.

The Lynx defense, led by Trent Goodheart, came up to the challenge and held off the Mustangs.

Wheeler's Jorge Porras had 223 yards on 18 carries and three touchdowns for the Mustangs.

Cameron Meddock had 90 yards on 14 carries and two touchdowns for Spearman. Blayne Schroeder had two touchdowns and Joel Mendoza had one.

Spearman improved to 2-0. Wheeler dropped to 0-2.

The Lynx will travel to Shamrock on Friday, September 10th to play the Hornets. Kickoff is at 7:30 p.m.

Score by Quarters	
Spearman	7 7 7 6 7 34
Wheeler	7 7 7 6 0 27

Scoring	
W-Tayt McCasland 3 run (Pedro Hernandez kick)	
S-Cameron Meddock 51 run (Francisco Camacho kick)	
W-Jorge Porras 17 run (Herdandez kick)	
S-Joel Mendoza 42 pass from Blayne Schroeder (Camacho kick)	
W-Porras 82 run (Herdandez kick)	
S-Schroeder 32 run (Camacho kick)	
S-Meddock 1 run (kick failed)	
W-Porras 62 run (kick failed)	
S-Schroeder 2 run (Camacho kick)	

Stats		
	SL	WM
First Downs	18	9
Rushing	229	262
Passing	144	49
Total Yards	373	311
C-A-I	7-13-2	4-9-0
Punts	2-43	4-29
Fumbles-Lost	2-2	1-0
Penalties	6-50	7-50

## Globe-News HS Football Players of the Week Honorable Mention

Blayne Schroeder was named to the Amarillo Globe-News High School Football Players of the Week Honorable Mention on Wednesday, September 8, 2010. He completed 7-of-13 passes for 144 yards and one TD and rushed for two touchdowns, including the game-winner in overtime, in Spearman's 34-27 win over Wheeler.

## High School Football Ratings, Polls Class 2A Division II

Statewide high school football rankings by Harris Ratings Weekly, sixman-

football.com, and The Associated Press:

1. Refugio 225, 2. Lexington 219, 3. Linden-Kildare 214, 4. Paul Pewitt 212, 5. Arp 209, 6. Lone Oak 208, 7. Crawford 207, 8. Rogers 207, 9. Franklin 206, 10. Idalou 205

**Area Teams:** 27. Spearman, 189; 38. Sanford-Fritch, 188; 69. Abernathy, 175; 70. Floydada, 174; 75. Tulia, 172; 6. Dimmitt, 171; 103. Highland Park, 134.

**Area Picks:** Sundown 28 over Abernathy; Olton 1 over Dimmitt; Memphis 24 over Highland Park; Stratford 14 over Sanford Fritch; Spearman (NL) over Shamrock; Tulia 4 over Hale Center.

## Red Devils Outrun Hounds

The Gruver Greyhounds lost to the Texhoma Red Devils, 7-0, on Friday, September 3, 2010.

Jerrod Collier lead the Hounds in rushing with 150 yards.

The defense was led by Payton Thoreson, Zachary Saylor, Colton Moffett, Rito Mendoza and Justin Bass with 6 tackles each.

The Hounds will play Farwell at 7:30 p.m. on Friday, September 10, 2010 in Panhandle.

## GHS Player of the Week

Jerrod Collier, Jr. (RB/LB; 5'9"; 150 pounds) was named the GHS Player of the Week. He had 24 carries for 150 yards rushing; 5 tackles on defense

## High School Football Ratings, Polls Class 1A Division II

Statewide high school football rankings by Harris Ratings Weekly, sixman-

1. Teneha 211, 2. Springlake-Earth 206, 3. Wellington 204, 4. Bovina 202, 5. Falls City 201, 6. Hamlin 198, 7. Burton 198, 8. Chilton 197, 9. Plains 195, 10. Archer City 194

**Area Teams:** 14. Wheeler, 191; 22. White Deer, 181; 23. Farwell, 180; 37. Gruver, 165; 45. Memphis, 158; 53. Vega, 152; 57. Claude, 149; 66. Nazareth, 144; 68. Booker, 143; 77. Sharock, 131.

**Area Picks:** Farwell 11 over Gruver; Smyer 7 over Cladue; Springlake-Earth 21 over Seagraves; Crosbyton 9 over Sudan.

## Borger Cross Country Invitational

The Spearman High School and Gruver High School Cross Country Teams competed in the Boerger Cross Country Invitational on Saturday, September 4, 2010.

The Gruver Varsity Boys placed 10th out of 13. Luis Mendoza came in 13th with a time of 17:41.31.

The Gruver Varsity Girls came in 2nd and the Spearman Varsity Girls came in 5th out of 19 teams.

Gruver's Shelley Gibson came in 3rd with a time of 12:28.81, followed by Madison McLain at 7th with a time of 12:37.75 and Angelica Valverde at 23rd with a time of 13:11.65. Tylo Farrar led the Lynxettes in 5th with a time of 12:35.38, followed by Gately Garnett in 18th with a time of 13:02.78.

The Spearman JV Girls came in 2nd out of 11 teams, led by Kylee Hegstrom in 2nd with a time of 13:45.81.

# Notice of Tax Revenue Increase

The City of Spearman conducted public hearings on August 31, 2010 and September 14, 2010 on a proposal to increase the total tax revenues of the City of Spearman from properties on the tax roll in the preceding year by 2.22 percent.

The total tax revenue proposed to be raised last year at last year's tax rate of \$0.531000 for each \$100 of taxable value was \$374,970.

The total tax revenue proposed to be raised this year at the proposed tax rate of \$0.531000 for each \$100 of taxable value, excluding tax revenue to be raised from new property added to the tax roll this year, is \$381,645.

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The Spearman City Council of City of Spearman is scheduled to vote on the tax rate that will result in that tax increase at a public meeting to be held on September 14, 2010 at Spearman City Hall PO Box 37, Spearman, Tx 79081 at 7:00 am.

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