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### Time Nears For School Board, City Positions

Those wishing to enter races for school board positions in Spearman, Gruver, or Morse or elected city officials of Spearman or Gruver should note the March 20 deadline for applications.

In the Spearman School District, two seats, each of three-year terms, currently held by Mark Allen and Carol Duniho, will be decided. In the Gruver School District, two seats currently held by Jody Irwin and Terry Sherrill are expiring. In the Morse School District, three positions currently held by Monty Dixon, Lonnie Clemmons, and Alan Leach, will be decided.

Gruver City Commission has one seat, now held by Chad Logsdon, expiring while the City of Spearman has the seats of two aldermen, Donald E. Reed and Charles Elliott, expiring, and the term of mayor Steve Benton, also expiring.

Both the school board and city elections will be held May 4th. Early voting by person will begin April 17 and continue through April 30.

### Conservation District Announces Essay Contest Rules

The North Plains Groundwater Conservation District would like to announce the rules and deadline for its annual scholarship contest.

The contest is open to all high school students (freshmen through seniors) who reside within the Water District. The District includes all of Sherman, Hansford, Ochiltree and Lipscomb counties, as well as most of Dallam, Hartley and Moore counties and the northern portion of Hutchinson County.

By writing an essay emphasizing the importance of water conservation, high school students are eligible for scholarships up to \$1000 a year for the college of their designation. Each essay must be more than 1,000 words but fewer than 1,500 words in length and must be typewritten and double-spaced. The essays will be judged on accuracy of information, originality, neatness, arrangement, subject matter, grammar and spelling. Additional points are awarded for each applicant's scholastic record, school activities, community involvement and future plans.

All essays must be received by the District Office located at 603 E. First (P.O. Box 795) in Dumas by 5 p.m. on April 2, 2001. Any essay which is found to be a resubmission of a previous winning essay will be disqualified.

The prizes to be awarded are as follows: 1st place - \$1000 scholarship per year for 4 years = \$4000 total award amount; 2nd place - \$750 scholarship per year for 4 years = \$3000 total award amount; 3rd place - \$500 scholarship per year for 4 years = \$2000 total award amount.

These scholarships are to be paid to the college of the winner's choice and applied toward his/her education. Each initial scholarship amount will be renewable for three additional years as long as a minimum of a 2.75 Grade Point Average and 12 course hours per semester are maintained.

Any students who are interested in entering the contest may obtain additional contest and resource information from the North Plains Groundwater Conservation District.

## Hansford County Library Receives Grant

The Hansford County Library has been chosen as one of only two recipients statewide to receive the 2002 Christina B. Woll Memorial Fund grant.

This year, the grant committee chose one school library and one public library to be awarded one of these grants. These libraries, who serve children 12 or under, have demonstrated a commitment to providing a collection of quality children's literature and have a need to develop or enhance a particular part of their overall collection.

Sheri Benton, Director of the Hansford County Library, wrote the grant application last fall requesting funds to purchase a new set of books about the fifty states.

"There are two different elementary grades in which the students are assigned reports on a particular state," stated Benton. "This set of books will help these students obtain the information that they need for these reports."

The set of books that will be purchased is published by Lerner Publishing and has been recently updated. Beginning in the fall of 2001, all fifty states, Washington, D.C. and Puerto Rico, will be revised, reviewed and brought up to date so that no copyright will be older than 2001. These new editions will include such things as fun facts, places to visit, annual events, outstanding natives and even websites on each state.

The Christina B. Woll Memorial Fund was established through the Texas Library Association to perpetuate Christina's love of reading and her commitment to providing quality literature for children.

Christina was instrumental in the establishment of the Texas Bluebonnet Award reading program and served as its coordinator for many years. This program was established in 1979 to encourage Texas children to read more books, explore a variety of current books, develop powers of discrimination and identify their favorite books.

## McFarlin Retires As DON Of Hansford Hospital



Carl Archer gives Kay McFarlin a goodbye hug during a retirement party held in her honor in the lobby of Hansford Hospital.

## Touched By An 'Angel'

While Sally Vaquera described her family's life as 'boring,' television viewers across the nation might describe Jose (Angel)'s story as inspiring.

Under the title "When Words Aren't Needed," the story of Angel Vaquera's life was televised nationally last week on the Friday edition of "The Early Show," "CBS Evening News with Dan Rather," and "The Saturday Early Show."

"They did a very good job," Sally said. "We felt the story was very accurate."

In the CBS segment, Angel was pictured as he went about his work for the City of Spearman, followed by an interview with Sally at her job at the Hansford Appraisal District as she related the accident that claimed her father's life and severely injured Angel.

Included in the video was the Vaquera family finishing their evening meal and later attending Wednesday evening services at their church. The stretch of road south of Borger where Angel's automobile accident occurred and pictures of Angel in the hospital were also shown.

Although the three-minute segment, part of the continuing series "Everybody Has A Story," focused on Angel's struggles after his tragic accident and his family's adjustment to the accident, the story was not one of despair - but of joy and triumph.

"We had so many people tell us it made them cry," said Sally.

Angel's reaction was far less emotional.

"Boy, I got wrinkles!" Angel said.



Pictured above are (Back, L-R) CBS cameraman Les Rose, Jose Vaquera, Claudia Vaquera, Irene Vaquera, CBS correspondent Steve Hartman, Sally Vaquera holding Ariha Vaquera and Steven Vaquera; (Front) DeDee Vaquera

## Teacher 'Schooled' In World's Classrooms

Expecting the unexpected has come to be the norm in the teaching career of 1985 Spearman graduate Jeffrey Gressett.

While the first day of school is usually a day of organization and introductions, Gressett's first day of sixth grade special education at Florence Nightingale Middle School in Los Angeles was more like a suspense movie.

"The principal came over the intercom during fifth period to tell us that the school was going into a lockdown mode, and each teacher should lock his classroom door," Gressett said.

The principal went on to say that the doors must not be opened even for parents who might be coming to pick up their children.

"About ten minutes later, one of my students got up from his seat and walked around the room. When the boy looked out the window of the second story classroom, he shouted to tell class members there was a shoot-out at the Burger King across the street from the school," Gressett said.

As Gressett and his class watched from the window of their classroom, police were aiming shotguns in the direction of the restaurant.

Again the principal spoke on the intercom telling all teachers and students to stay away from the windows.

"At first, I took the whole situation in stride - even when the sixth period bell rang, and I had to continue to hold my class during my conference time," Gressett added.

However, when the bell rang to signal the end of the day, and students were continuing to be held in their classrooms, Gressett became somewhat frustrated.

Twenty minutes later, the all clear signal was issued, allowing the students to go home for the day.

"It was a really interesting first day of school," Gressett said in understatement.

Little did the Spearman grad know, the events of that first day may have just been a sneak preview for what was to come.

Incidents involving guns and drug busts and another during which a faculty member shouted profanities at students were some of the occurrences during the school year yet even those paled in comparison to an event late in the school year.

"One of the students, running

from his classroom, shouted to me to call 911 as there was a bomb in his classroom," Gressett said.

Grabbing his cell phone, Gressett called campus police who arrived ten minutes later. Upon the arrival of campus and city police, the building was evacuated as officials looked for the reported bomb.

It was the next day, Gressett learned the difference in a bomb and a booby trap.

"The device found proved to be a booby trap which had been made from gasoline in a 3-liter bottle with a plastic flower hanging out of the opening. If a kid had pulled the flower out of the bottle, a ball of fire would have been triggered," Gressett said.

At the end of the school year, which Gressett believed to be more positive than negative, the Spearman grad began a new teaching assignment in Saudi Arabia. As an English teacher for the Aramco Oil Company, he was hired to teach English to Saudi employees of the company.

Living Udhailiyah, Saudi Arabia, one of the world's largest oil headquarters, Gressett was a newcomer to the area on September 11, 2001.

"I had just finished my work for

the day and had returned home when my British roommate informed me of the accident at the World Trade Center," Gressett said.

The two men tuned into a live news story on the British Broadcasting Company just before the second plane hit the second tower.

"My first thoughts were for the safety of my sister who works in Amarillo near Pantex. I called her first and told her to leave as I was afraid Pantex might be the target of another attack. After that, I called my parents to let them know of my safety," Gressett said.

While Gressett's family expressed their fear at his being in a Muslim area, Gressett, himself felt very safe.

"I don't think the terrorists are going to be concerned with one individual. They will strike somewhere that is heavily populated or will have a great impact," Gressett said. He feels the Coca-Cola conglomerate offices in Atlanta might be a future target since Coke is an international symbol of capitalism or Las Vegas, Nevada which represents all the Muslims oppose.

In the weeks following the

attacks, Gressett received hundreds of expressions of sympathy from the Saudis with whom he works or met on the street yet he chose not to talk of the 9-11 events in his classroom.

The event, however, did surface in a most unusual way. As Gressett was informing a student one day of his displeasure with his performance on a paper, the student, who was a distant cousin of one of the terrorists killed in the attack and also shared the same last name, retorted, "Be nice to me, or I will tell my cousin where you live!"

Knowing his response to the statement would set the tone for his relationship with his class, Gressett replied "Do your paper correctly, or you will visit your cousin where he is!"

Eliciting laughter from the class, the tension was diffused, and the subject quickly dismissed.

For Gressett, the surprising statement by the Saudi was just part the unexpected he has learned to expect in his continuing education as a teacher.

*Editor's note: We are indebted to Sybil Miller for bringing this story and much of the information contained to our attention.*

# Laugh and Live



by Catherine R. Smith  
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Monday, March 11th will mark six months since the terrorist attacks on September 11, 2001. In remembrance of this tragic event I would like to share the words to the song "Where Were You," written by Alan Jackson.

## "Where Were You"

Where were you when the world stopped turnin' on that September day?

Were you in the yard with your wife and children;

Or working on some stage in L.A.?

Did you stand there in shock at the sight of that black smoke

Rising against that blue sky?

Did you shout out in anger in fear for your neighbor

Or did you just sit down and cry?

Did you weep for the children that lost their dear loved ones?

Did you pray for the ones who don't know?

Did you rejoice for the people who walked from the rubble and

sob for the ones left below?

Did you burst out in pride for the red white and blue

And the heroes who died just doin' what they do?

Did you look up to heaven for some kind of answer?

And look at yourself for what really matters?

I'm just a singer of simple songs;

I'm not a real political man

I watch CNN, but I'm not sure I can tell you the difference in

Iraq and Iran

But I know Jesus and I talk to God

And I remember this from when I was young

Faith, Hope and Love are some good things He gave us

And the greatest is Love.

Where were you when the world stopped turning

That September day?

Teaching a class full of innocent children;

Driving down some cold interstate;

Did you feel guilty 'cause you're a survivor in a crowded room

did you feel alone?

Did you call up your mother and tell her you love her?

Did you dust off that bible at home?

Did you open your eyes hope it never happened;

And close your eyes and not go to sleep?

Did you notice the sunset the first time in ages;

Or speak to some stranger on the street?

Did you lay down at night and think of tomorrow;

Go out and buy you a gun?

Did you turn off that violent old movie you're watchin'

And turn on "I Love Lucy" reruns?

Did you go to a church and hold hands with some strangers?

Stand in line and give your own blood?

Did you just stay home and cling tight to your family

Thank God you had somebody to love?

I'm just a singer of simple songs;

I'm not a real political man

I watch CNN, but I'm not sure I can tell you the difference in

Iraq and Iran

But I know Jesus and I talk to God

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And the greatest is Love.

And the greatest is Love.

Where were you when the world stopped turnin' that

September day?

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

Numbers 6:24-26

Catherine :)

## Blowin' In The Wind

by Dwayne Mitchell

Today's column will discuss all of the mills that are up in Spearman as of today, Sunday, March 3, 2002 that I know about. I also want to look forward to future mills that I know about or can project to be completed by June, 2002. I have also heard of an individual or two preparing to erect their own mills.

The Southwestern Pioneer Windmill Association has erected twenty-one mills in Spearman, one at Mr. Buchanan's farm, and one mill on a trailer for a total of twenty-three mills. There are twelve mills in the park in southwest Spearman, one at the corner of the SWPA's barn, and eight other mills located throughout Spearman. Those eight mills are the Eli at Prairie Motors, the Woodmanse and cable tower at First National Bank, the Chandler at Lowes, a Woodmanse Airmaster at North Plains Insurance, the Fairbury 7AA at R & R RV Park, the Elgin Hummer at Crazy Corner, the Dempster at First State Bank, and the Aermotor east of the high school.

In addition there are at least 5 mills owned by individuals and one at the museum for a total of twenty-seven windmills in Spearman. I am proud for Spearman to have this many mills with about three months to the

International Trade Fair in Spearman June 5-8, 2002. It is also my observation that there seems to be enough wind to go around. I don't believe that Spearman has diverted more than its share.

There are four mills at the windmill barn that have been restored by Walter Woolley and Julian Villarreal. When warmer weather with hopefully less wind gets here, those mills will be put up. One is an Elgin Wonder mill, Model B, that will go on an Elgin tower in the Windmill Park, another is a Star mill, another is a New Elgin mill, and the fourth is an 8-foot Challenge. Those four mills will put us close to that magic number of thirty.

Also in the plans are a Duplex mill which is a very colorful umbrella mill. The mill is presently in restoration by Terry Schneider. Parts are yet to be obtained to finish the mill plus the wooden part of the wheel and the tower must be built. It is planned for the mill to be located at Golden Spread Sales Co. Also projected for completion are a Star and an Eclipse from Mr. Buchanan's collection, a Perkins mill, a Dempster umbrella, and an Easy mill. The Easy so far has done its best not to live up to its name. Nothing about its restoration yet has been Easy but maybe it will get less difficult. Also the SPWA is awaiting com-

pletion of a John Deere mill that will go where else but at Hansford Implement.

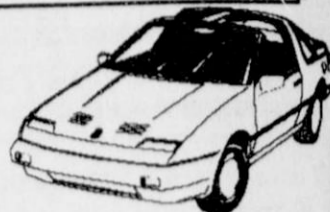
So, it is possible to project about thirty-five mills for Spearman by June of 2002.

Now, to other plans for the Windmillers' Trade Fair. Sales of

bricks and tiles have been good, and construction of the entrance to the J. B. Buchanan Windmill Park is to begin soon. Sponsors for banquets, entertainment, windmill parts trading and auction, trip to Adobe Walls, and other plans are being firmed up.

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Sunday Worship: 11 a.m.  
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**March 7**  
**Birthdays** - David Imke, Dee Dee Shelton, Mike Garnett, Molly Turner, Bernice McBride, Viola Boyd, Donald Lane, Dalwayne Whitefield, Beulah Harris, Howard Thompson  
**Anniversaries** - Mr. & Mrs. Danny Bass, Mr. & Mrs. Anres Ortiz

**March 8**  
**Birthdays** - Patty Cator, Drew Grotegut, Mike McLain, Bill Harnish, Melvin Swene, Kirby McAdams, Deana Shields, Dee Allen, Steve Cruse, Candi Delozier, Ben Cook, Colby Red, Eric Olsen, Rae Lynn Cook, Cindee Thomas, Christi Cliff, Michelle Schick  
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**March 9**  
**Birthdays** - Roy Byrd, Craig Cooper, Tommy Henson, Elizabeth Holt, Mary Lou Vela, Amy Tucker, Jerry Younger, Cole Ivey, Aletha Lesley, Deann Turner, Karla Acton, Brandon Hathaway, Vickie Urban, Nita Byrd, Richard Barnhart  
**Anniversaries** - Mr. & Mrs. John Knowles, Mr. & Mrs. Shawn Thompson, Mr. & Mrs. Kermit Boone, Mr. & Mrs. Dwayne Thompson, Mr. & Mrs. Dan Wheelock

**March 10**  
**Birthdays** - Shanna Jarvis, Sandy Kirby, Debby Odom, Perry Lamb, Tucker Williams, Roy Uptergrove, Ricky Reger, Reba Ooley, Pam Hart, Shane Pearce, Eugene Barnes, Jr., Felipe Lozano, Michael Lozano, Melinda Taylor, Sandy Spivey, Curtis Pearson, Jennifer Keim, Summer Fernandez, Kellyn King  
**Anniversaries** - Mr. & Mrs. Bobby Mosier

**March 11**  
**Birthdays** - Ila Jo Hart, Daniel Rojas, Nina Hendricks, Dorothy Buzzard, Monty Dixon, Bob Breedson, Sandi Holt, David Ortega, Willie Jones  
**Anniversaries** - Buddy &

Amber Newman, Mr. & Mrs. Orville Brummett

**March 12**  
**Birthdays** - Loree Hart, Jason TeBeest, Lindy Tolleson, Judy Martin, Loraine Davidson, Sherry Bullard, J.L. Griffin, Sammi Johnson, Makenzie Crane, Katie Hintergardt  
**Anniversaries** - Mr. & Mrs. Andy Hoel, Mr. & Mrs. Tommy Henson

**March 13**  
**Birthdays** - Fran Duncan, Bonnie Frick, Gene Leatherman, Brady Tidwell, Vernon Pipkin, Gary Pracher, Roy Flowers, Shannon Holton, Chuck Fletcher, Lynell Williams, Kevin Bynum, Gretchen Collinsworth, Jerry Garcia, Dolores Moreno, Larry Butts, Hadley Fletcher, LeAnn Sheets, Thomas Cain, Pam Mayfield  
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**March 14**  
**Birthdays** - Sue Gerardy, Chris Johnson, Brandy Shelton, Buck Tidwell, Edward Papay, Steve Cook, Barbara Brown, Reagan Renner, James Ray Barimus, David Terry, Kelly Mills, Curtis Dudley, Mike Wilhelm, Madison Williams  
**Anniversaries** - Mr. & Mrs. Bill Robertson, Charles & Betty West, Mr. & Mrs. Jimmy Bishard, Mr. & Mrs. James Kinniard

**March 15**  
**Birthdays** - Trina Horton, Jerry Bowling, Randy Stafford, Darlene Schick, Parrish Larson, Gary Osborne, Mona Rivera, Richard Varnon, Trent Seagler, Ora Fay Watkins, Krista Dement, Araceli Briones, Cleo George, Trenton Finley  
**Anniversaries** - Mr. & Mrs. Bill Roberston, Mr. & Mrs. Joe Bynum, Mr. & Mrs. Joe T. Venneman

**March 16**  
**Birthdays** - Ted Harbour, Tonya Woodington, Janice Mayfield, Gary Davis, Missy Bates, Dan McCloy, Michael Gruver, Payton Thoreson, Suzanne Schad, Hadley Spivey, Gary Davis  
**Anniversaries** - Carey & Denice Bridges, Mr. & Mrs. Robert Womble

## Our Deepest Sympathy

### JOSEPHINE FLETCHER



GRUVER - Josephine Fletcher, 76, of Gruver, Texas passed away early Monday morning, March 4th, 2002 at the Hansford Hospital in Spearman, Texas.

The daughter of Laura (Robinson) and Oscar Gross, she was born February 12, 1926 in Liberal, Kansas. The Gross family moved to Gruver, Texas when she was 4 years old. She was united in marriage to Gene Fletcher on February 16, 1944 in Borger, Texas. Mrs. Fletcher had been a member of First Baptist Church, Gruver for more than 67 years.

Survivors include her husband of 58 years, Gene Fletcher of Gruver; a daughter, Kathy Gillispie and husband, Bob of Gruver; a son, David Fletcher and wife, Debra of Jayton, Texas; sister, Margaret Ormon of Arlington, Texas; brother, Gordon Gross and wife, Sis of Amarillo, Texas; 6 grandchildren, Brian Gillispie and wife, Gina; Clay Gillispie; Amy Corkery and husband, Matt; Hadley Fletcher and wife, Becky; Haley Stone and husband, Brec; and Harmony Fletcher; and 8 great grandchildren, Preston and Payton Stone, Madison, Maci and Tucker Fletcher, Grace, Charles and Mattie Davis.

She was preceded in death by her parents and two brothers, Don Gross and Keith Gross.

Memorial services were Wednesday afternoon, March 6th at 3:00 p.m. at the First Baptist Church, Gruver with Rev. Scott Curry, Pastor and Rev. Larry Miller, Pastor of Eastern Hills Baptist Church, Albuquerque, NM officiating. Interment was in Gruver Cemetery under the direction of Henson-Novak Funeral Directors of Guymon.

Memorials may be given to the International Communities Foundation/Andy Fletcher, First Baptist Church, Gruver or the Hansford Hospice and may be forwarded to Henson-Novak Funeral Directors, Box 1306, Guymon, OK 73942.

### RUBY CRAWFORD

GUYMON, OK - Ruby Lee Howard Crawford, 77, longtime Hardesty resident passed away Friday, March 1st, 2002.

Ruby was born and raised in southeastern Oklahoma in the Antlers community. She was the youngest of three children born to Roy and Vera Howard. She was united in marriage to Roscoe Morris Crawford on December 19, 1942 in Antlers. The Crawford family moved to Hardesty after World War II and Ruby had worked in area cafes and ran the Hotel Cafe in Gruver, Texas. Ruby was a homemaker and spent most of her life raising their five children.

Roscoe and Ruby celebrated 53 years of marriage before his death in 1996. Ruby resided at the Dunaway Manor for three years where she enjoyed many friendships and activities. She especially enjoyed the church services and gospel singing. She moved to Colorado in October 2001 to live with her daughter and two grandchildren.

Ruby loved doing crafts, reading, listening to country music and having friends and family visit. She was proud of all of her children and grandchildren and counted them as the greatest achievement of her life.

Survivors include 2 daughters, Sherry Brancey of Colorado and Beverly Klingaman and husband, David of Chandler, AZ; 2 sons, Dereld Crawford and wife Barbara of Balko, OK and Skeeter Crawford and wife Janet of Guymon, OK; a son-in-law, Dean Moore of Woodward, OK; 1 sister, Lillian Jacobs of Hugo, OK; 15 grandchildren, Shelly Finney and husband Quint of Amarillo, TX, Marta Buchanan and husband Shayne of Tulsa, OK, April Ragan and husband Brad of Woodward, OK, Tosha Crawford Linn and Tawny Crawford Linn, both of Valdez, AK, Ben Crawford of Stillwater, OK, J.D. Brancey and Brandy Brancey of Colorado, Shane Farmer of Amarillo, TX, Katelyn and Braden Klingaman of Chandler, AZ, Heather Klingaman of Stillwater, OK, Toni, Danelle and Kaela Collins, all of Guymon; 5 great grandchildren, Reghan Finney, Blayne and Bryce Buchanan, T-Erre McGuire and Travin Ragan.

She was preceded in death by her parents, husband, daughter, Dee Ann Moore, brother, Floyd Howard, grandson, Eric Crawford and a great granddaughter, Makenzee McGuire.

Funeral services were Wednesday, March 6th at 1:00 P.M. at the Hardesty Apostolic Church with Rev. Odie Nunley and Mike Wilkens, officiating. Interment followed in Hartville Cemetery under the direction of Henson-Novak Funeral Directors of Guymon.

A Ruby Crawford memorial has been established for the Dunaway Manor or Hartville Cemetery and may be forwarded to Henson-Novak Funeral Home, Box 1306, Guymon, OK 73942.

### MONTY L. COTTER

RUIDOSO, NM - Monty L. Cotter, 71, of Ruidoso, NM, formerly of Amarillo, died Tuesday, February 26, 2002 in Amarillo.

Memorial Services were held at 11 a.m. on Saturday, March 2, 2002 at Boxwell Brothers Funeral Directors Ivy Chapel in Amarillo with Dr. Marcus Adair of Marcus Adair Missions officiating.

Mr. Cotter was born April 24, 1930 in Spearman, TX. A native of Spearman, he is a 1948 graduate of Spearman High School. Following his graduation, Mr. Cotter joined the U.S. Navy on June 28, 1948. He served four years in the Navy attaining the rank of Petty Officer and receiving four hash marks for excellence in service, two years in the National Guard and one year in the Army Reserve.

Mr. Cotter served as a member of the Texas Department of Public Safety for two and one-half years. He then became involved in the insurance adjustment field. On May 15, 1974, he again entered public service as a deputy sheriff for Hutchinson County, TX and later attained the rank of Chief Deputy. In 1985 he retired from public service and became an independent catastrophic claims adjuster as owner of Cotter claims Service, which he continued until his death.

On March 10, 2001, Monty married Pat Guillot and the couple resided in Ruidoso, NM.

Survivors include his wife, Pat, of the home; one daughter, Cynthia Carter of White Rock, NM; one son, Omar Cotter of Arlington, TX; one stepson, Billy Mitchell of Austin; two stepdaughters, Vicki Tindall of Austin and Neta Lawson of Fritch; one brother, John D. Cotter of Arlington, TX; 7 grandchildren and 7 step-grandchildren.

Monty was an incredible man who loved God and his family above all else.

The family suggests be to Marcus Adair Missions, Box 844, Canyon, TX 79015.

## HANSFORD HAPPENINGS

### Win A Hand-made Quilt

The ladies of the Golden Spread Senior Citizen's Center are auctioning a hand-made quilt. The pattern is "Petronella's Garden." It may be seen in the Blodgett Room at the O'Loughlin Center. Tickets are \$2.00 each, or 3 for \$5.00. The date for the drawing will be announced at a later time.

### AARP Offers Free Tax Help

AARP Tax-Aide is in Spearman at the Hansford County Library, 122 Main Street, every Tuesday from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. AARP Tax-Aide is a free, quality and confidential service that prepares tax returns and answers tax questions from February 5th through April 9th. Services are available to all taxpayers with middle- to low-income, with special attention to those age 60 and older. It is administered through the AARP Foundation, in cooperation with the IRS. For more information, call 1-888-AARPNOW (1-888-227-7669), or visit their web-site at [www.aarp.org/taxaide/](http://www.aarp.org/taxaide/), or contact Richard Gaines at 659-2853.

### Project Graduation

The parents of the Senior Class of 2002 will sponsor and host a "Project Graduation Party" following commencement exercises on Friday, May 24th. 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 encouraged these seniors these past 13 years of school, would be willing to share in this final "Class of 2002" memory, making this project "special," please call Steve or Sheri Benton at 659-3568, 659-2231 or 659-3743; or Teresa Maestas at 659-5544.

### Hansford County Library Memorial Fund Established

A Memorial Fund has been set up at the Hansford County Library by Mary Alice Gibner for the purpose of purchasing a microfilm reader/printer for student & genealogy research at the library. If you would like to donate to this fund please contact Sheri Benton at the library.

### March 12th Republican Primary Polling Places

Polling Places for the March 12th Republican Primary are as follows: Precincts 1, 5 & 6 will vote at Spearman City Hall; Precincts 2, 3 & 4 will vote at Gruver High School; Precinct 7 will vote in the Oslo Lutheran Church; Precinct 9 will vote in the Morse Community Building. All polling booths will be open from 7 a.m.-7 p.m. on March 12th.

### Postcard Photo Contest

The Spearman Chamber of Commerce is looking for photographs, old or new, that will tell a story of our life in Hansford County ... history, nature, work, play, terrain, people, objects, weather, wildlife, celebrations, activities, etc.

Entry deadline is March 30th. Entry must be photographed in Hansford County. Submit one 4x6 for postcard and one 8x10 glossy dry mount for display. 15 winners will go into the book of postcards and 5 more will be named honorable mention to be included in the display and any shows that become available. Prizes and awards will be announced at a later date.

Call the Spearman Chamber of Commerce office at 659-5555 for more information.

### Memorial Day Wreaths

The Arts & Crafts Ladies of the Golden Spread Senior Citizens Center are currently taking orders for Memorial Day Wreaths. Please call Kathy Bryant at 659-3866 to place orders and to let them know your flower and color preference before supplies are bought.

### Walk Across Texas

Does your fitness routine need a boost? Sign up for the 8-week Walk Across Texas walking program, March 24 through May 18, sponsored across the state by the Texas Cooperative Extension Service. Participants form teams of 8 people with one designated as the team captain and have a friendly competition to see who can log the most miles walking, jogging, biking, etc. Members are to keep records on the miles they walk individually, and report each week to their team captain. Walking for 8 weeks helps you stay in the routine or form a new habit of walking. Weekly accounting gives more motivation. Miles will be based on time spent exercising. Every 15 minutes of exercise equals 1 mile. Call Peggy Winegarner, County Extension Agent, at 659-4130 or 733-2901, for more information.

### Rushing Wind Emmaus

Rushing Wind Emmaus Community and Waka Christian Center Victory Celebration will be held at the Waka Christian Center in Waka on Saturday, March 9th, starting at 6 p.m. with a potluck dinner. Everyone is invited to attend. Bring your family and friends. A nursery will be provided.

### Genealogy Society

The Hansford County Genealogy Club meets the 3rd Tuesday of the month at 7:00 p.m. The meetings are held at the Hansford County Library.

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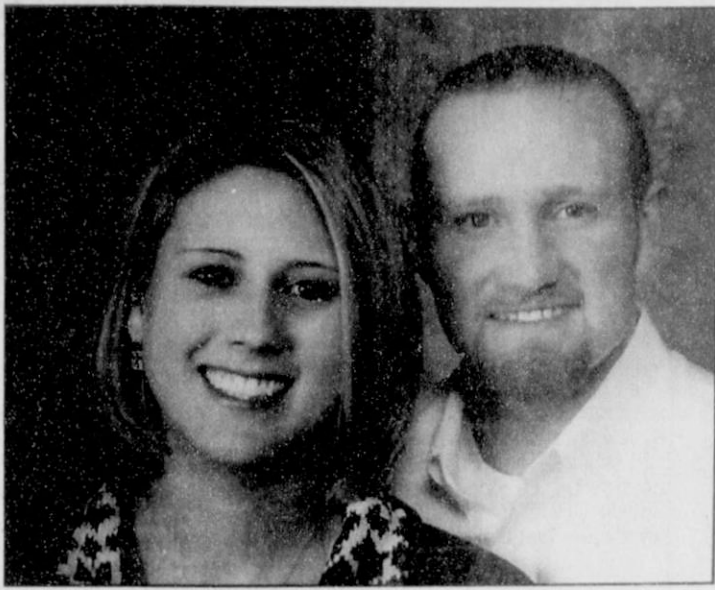
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### Engagement Announcement

Jodie and Becky Wilson of Amarillo wish to announce the engagement of their daughter, Shauna Shea Wilson to Joshua Dale Mayhew of Gruver. Joshua is the son of Roy and Debby Mayhew.

The couple plan a June 22, 2002 wedding at the Ranch House Bed & Breakfast in Canyon.

Shauna is a 1998 graduate of Canadian High School. She attends West Texas A&M University, and will graduate in May of 2002 with a Bachelor of Science degree in Interdisciplinary Studies.

Joshua is a 1997 graduate of Gruver High School. He also attends West Texas A&M University and will graduate in May of 2002 with a Bachelor of Science in Mathematics and Sports Exercise Science.

### 2002 Computer Workshop Set

The popular 'Have Computer Will Travel' education workshops offered annually by Texas Cooperative Extension will start soon. Courses are designed to fit the needs of area agricultural producers and financial managers of farms and ranches.

"This year, we've added a new course and updated popular software," said Steve Amosson, Extension management economist of Amarillo.

Early registration is strongly encouraged because of the high demand. The mobile computer lab features 13 laptops and travels to workshops around the state.

All workshops start by 9 a.m. and end by 3:30 p.m. Registration fees may vary depending on the course and days in training. Couples may share a laptop for a single registration fee.

New this year is Beginning QuickBooks 2001, offered in 2-day sessions for \$75. The course will cover basic applications, case studies, and personal finance. Instructors will include Extension specialists, DeDe Jones and Dustin Gaskins, with assistance by Fran Bretz and Jackie Miller, program associates.

The workshops for QuickBooks will be held March 26-27 at the Texas A&M Research and Extension Center, 6500 Amarillo Blvd. West in

Amarillo. Also, in Pampa at the Gray County Extension Office on April 2-3; Clarendon College in Clarendon on April 8-9; and Spearman at the O'Loughlin Center on April 11-12. A final training is slated June 13-14 in Dumas at the Moore County Extension Office.

Amosson will be teaching two workshops at the Amarillo A&M Center. Beginning QuickBooks 2001 for Windows on June 5-6, will cost \$75.

On June 7, Amosson's final workshop will feature BUDPRO, the budget projecting software for crop and livestock enterprises. The fee is \$50. This menu-driven package helps producers make budget projections for the various commodities. Besides generating enterprise budgets, the program calculates break-even prices and provides sensitivity analysis for varying prices and quantities produced.

Registration requires payment before enrollment will be complete. Make checks payable to Texas Cooperative Extension. Mail to DeDe Jones at the Texas A&M Research and Extension Center, 6500 Amarillo Blvd. West, Amarillo, Texas 79106. Contact Jones at (806) 359-5401, or any county Extension office in the area for forms to register and more information.

### Thank You

Thank you to everyone for all the prayers, cards and gifts during my stay in the hospital and for your continued support during my recovery.

Sincerely,  
Dwayne Smith

### Thank You

I am writing to thank the Spearman community for generously supporting the Big Brothers Big Sisters fundraiser, Walk for Kid's Sake. Over \$19,000 was raised!

Individual top money raisers from Hansford County were Missy Bates, Jamie Casdorff and Liz Cazares. Business sponsors were Spearman Lions Club, First State Bank of Spearman, Spearman Rotary Club, First National Bank of Spearman, Five Star Equipment and KRDF-FM.

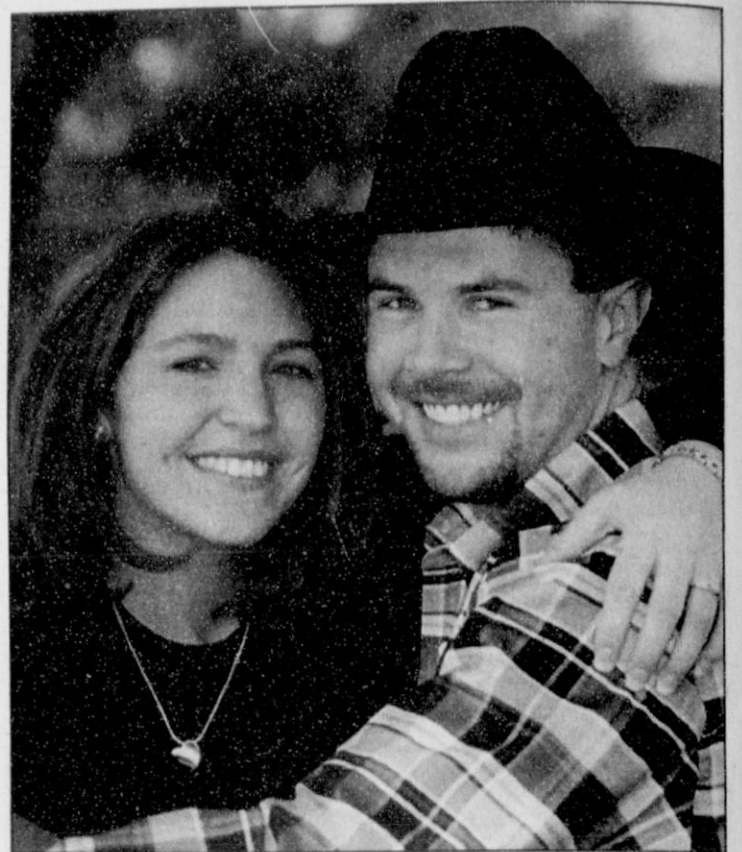
Door prizes were donated by these businesses: Alco, All Occasion Flowers, Cates Clothing, Golden Spread Sales, Dollar General, Lyric Cinema, Prairie Garden Flowers, Celebrate, Anita's Video Madness, Simple Simon Pizza, B&B Sales, Hansford County Reporter-Statesman, Hungry Cowboy and Hansford Implement. Lowe's donated paper supplies.

The goal of Big Brothers Big Sisters is to place children in special friendships with carefully screened adult mentors. These relationships, or matches, help children develop positive life skills and social values. We currently have six matches in our community-based program in Perryton. Two will celebrate their fourth anniversary together this year! Six children are matched with volunteer mentors through our school-based program, Bigs in Schools, in Spearman Elementary School. The money raised will be used to recruit, screen and train volunteers and then supervise the matches that are made. We also plan to expand Bigs In Schools next year.

The success of this fundraiser means that our ability to help kids in our area who need positive role models and extra attention is only limited by the number of caring people who step forward to serve as Big Brothers and Big Sisters.

Thanks, Spearman, for investing in the future of your young people!

Sincerely,  
Kimberly Lopez  
BBBS Case Manager  
1-877-716-3424



### Engagement Announcement

Royce and Betty Mathews of Gruver, TX wish to announce the engagement of their daughter, Robbi Mathews, to Scotty Wright of Anton, TX. Scotty is the son of Johnny and Joyce Wright of Anton, TX.

The couple plan a June 14, 2002 wedding in the Country Home Bed & Breakfast in Canyon, TX.

Robbi is a graduate of Gruver High School and Texas Tech University in Lubbock. She is currently a teacher at Roosevelt ISD.

Scotty is a graduate of Anton High School and South Plains College in Levelland. He is currently self-employed in Agri Business.

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Stephanie Bynum & Charles Cousineau - March 24  
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## Out At The Lake

by Dorothy Hudson



Picture Victor White with a 16-pound catfish caught recently at Palo Duro Lake.

Lake Depth-March 4, 2002-35.23 feet  
 Jim reported this morning that Palo Duro Lake was completely frozen Sunday morning. It opened up again that day and did not freeze over last night because there was some wind.  
 Last Monday week was a cold, windy day, but two hardy souls braved it and caught fish. Kent Ruble caught a 12# catfish and Red Byrd had a nice catch of 4 fish

with one weighing in at 18#. Since then there have been few throwing hooks in the water, and they have not been catching. Jim said the water needs to warm up a little.

He is still seeing 5 or 6 eagles, and the herons that had gone to their nests have left them again. We do not know if they had just been doing spring house cleaning or if the cold weather delayed the nesting.

**BRAND BOOK Continued**  
 So far, I have not been able to prove that Boss Neff of Hooker, Oklahoma carefully printed the early day Brand Book at No Man's Land Museum in Goodwell, Oklahoma but several things point to him as the author. The author needed to have lived past the time that Gruver and Morse became towns in Hansford County, as they are both used as reference points. Boss, who came from Ohio to the Panhandle in the early spring of 1883, died in 1947. He was very interested in the history of the area in his later years and could be considered the father of the Goodwell Museum. In his will he left his estate to be divided in 9 shares--a share for each of his 8 children and an equal share for the Museum.

He wrote of his experiences in the Texas and Oklahoma Panhandle as a gift for a grandson. John McCarty, editor and associate publisher of the Amarillo Globe-News edited and published them. They were then published in a book in 1941.

In the brand book, O.L. Muller is listed as Preacher Draw, Caple, Okla. In the book Boss tells of a preacher named Miller living on the Hackberry Creek where a long arroyo junctured with the Hackberry opposite to his dugout. He had a very nice young wild cow that he was afraid of at milking time when she was in the pen. Boss traded him a lame, gentle cow for her and both were happy. Boss and Tom Ward were baching at this point, and they named the arroyo Preacher Draw.

## Among The Neighbors

Helen Fisher's column will not appear this week.

Mrs. Fisher, was scheduled for a heart cath on Saturday, March 2, when her daughter-in-law, Texie Fisher, suffered a heart attack while attending her mother-in-law's bedside.

Texie was scheduled to leave the hospital and return home on Tuesday.

Helen Fisher's heart cath, which was postponed for the family emergency on Saturday, was performed on Monday, March 4.

In conversation with Helen on Tuesday, she stated that her heart

test indicated the need for a stint. She underwent further testing on Wednesday. She is in room 535 of Baptist Saint Anthony's Hospital.

In her usual style, Helen quipped that as a mother-in-law she was to set the example. In reference to her daughter-in-law's experience, she added "But I never meant to set this kind of example!"

Since Texie Fisher's heart attack was caused by a clot in the heart, doctors have told her that had she not been in the hospital waiting room that day, the results may have been much less favorable.

## Pringle-Morse Attends All-Region Band

Pringle-Morse CISD recently sent 16 students to the Region I class A All-Region Band concert in Canyon, January 11-12.

Students were required to audition for a seat in the band. This occurred in late November. Seventy-six percent of the students from Pringle-Morse auditioning for the band were placed. This is the highest percent of students to be selected from one school. Fourteen schools competed in Region I.

Students traveled to West Texas A&M in Canyon to rehearse with their clinician, Mr. Jim Hudson. They rehearsed all day Friday and Saturday morning and performed a public concert Saturday afternoon.

This musically talented group of young people included: Lauren Urban - Flute, Maria Mendoza - Clarinet, Sara Barnes - Clarinet, Jimmie Lee McCloy - Clarinet, Genesis Hernandez - Clarinet, Tara

Shields - Clarinet, Tyler Lane - Alto Saxophone, Tonya Hart - Alto Saxophone, Trudy Hart - Tenor Saxophone, Elizabeth Martin - Trumpet, Sammy Mendoza - Trumpet, Austin Zimmer - Trumpet, Chase Parks - Trombone, Trae Dixon - Trombone, Blane Tolleson - Baritone, Jessica Schmidt - Mallets.

Jessica was also honored for having been selected all three years in junior high as first chair mallet player.

The Pringle-Morse Band is under the direction of Ms. Denise Hutchinson. The Region I Class A Junior High Band was organized by Ms. Hutchinson.

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## Southwest Pioneer Windmill Association Meets

On Tuesday, February 26, 2002, the Board of Directors of the Southwest Pioneer Windmill Association met at noon at the Panhandle Diner & Deli. Members present were: Roger Buchanan, Orville Latham, Dwayne Mitchell, Irene Snider, Britt Jarvis, Joel Lee Lackey, Steve Benton and Gina Gillispie.

President Roger Buchanan called the meeting to order. First item on the agenda was discussion pertaining to the Windmill Tradefair. Steve is going to check on power sources for the perimeter of the Swimming Pool Park. Gina will check with Little League for use of the bleachers. Orvil will check on Port-a-Potties. Gina will call Archie Smith to get a hard date for laying the foundation for the fence. Steve will be in charge of getting ballots for the 2003 Tradefair printed. Gina will check with the City for pin prices. Feist has donated bags for the Tradefair goodie bags.

The board has concluded that we will postpone elections until a later date so that the board continuity could remain throughout the Tradefair. Gina will send out a let-

ter to the membership for vote. Three-year terms expiring are Britt Jarvis and Gina Gillispie. Both have agreed to stay on board until the next election, provided neither is replaced by write-in nominations.

Roger requested feedback from the board to allow advertising on one side of the windmill vane for those businesses who would like their name, artwork or logo. Board decided it would be allowed per request by adoptee and approved by board.

Board voted to adopt the Elgin Mill to Hi-Plains Auto Supply.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

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# The Gruver Grapevine

by Harletta Carthel

## One Act Play Cast To Perform

The GHS one act play "Any Body for Tea" will be presented to the public Thursday, March 14, at 7:00 P.M. There will be a \$3 dollar admission charge for adults, students \$1 and under school age, free. Proceeds will benefit GHS drama productions.

The play will compete for zone honors March 19 at Vega.

## UIL Academic Contests Slated

GHS students will compete in a variety of district UIL academic contests Wednesday and Thursday, March 20 and 21, at Amarillo College.

## Parents Meeting Scheduled

A meeting for the parents of Gruver eighth graders has been set for 7:00 p.m., Thursday, March 7 in the GJHS library.

A Compac meeting for parents with children in the Title I program has been scheduled for Monday, March 18, at 6:00 p.m. in the GJHS library.

## GHS Golf Scheduled Released

March 11 - Girls, - 9:00 a.m., Canadian  
 March 12 - Boys, 9:00 a.m., Canadian  
 March 18 and 19 - TBA  
 March 25 - Girls, 9:00 a.m., Shamrock  
 March 26 - Boys, 9:00 a.m., Shamrock  
 April 8 - Boys and Girls, district meet at Borger/Phillips  
 April 10 - Boys and Girls, Final round of district meet at Borger/Phillips

## GJHS Citizens of the Six Weeks

A student from each grade of GJHS has been selected as Citizen of the six Weeks for best exemplifying the qualities necessary to be a good citizen. Chosen were Cody Dahl - fifth grade, Cason Finley - sixth grade, Justin Thompson - seventh grade, and Rachelle Holt - eighth grade.

## Get Well Wishes

Jack Olsen is recuperating at home following recent surgery for an aneurism.

Little Miss Chloe Guthrie, who was hospitalized recently with a kidney infection, has returned home and is doing well.

Respiratory infections continue to plague many Gruver residents.

Reed Anderson has returned home following a hospital stay for pneumonia.

Little Dalton Swink has also returned home from a hospital stay for RSV.

Linda Walters has returned home following her recent kidney surgery. Tests indicated no signs of malignancy.

Reporter/Statesman columnist, Helen Fisher, who is well-known, in the Gruver area, underwent a heart cath test on Monday, March 4, in Amarillo. She is in room 535 in Baptist St. Anthony's Hospital.

Jolene Thompson is in Baptist St. Anthony's Hospital.

## Overbey Graduates in Texas Tech Ceremonies

Matthew Overbey graduated in ceremonies at Texas Tech in December.

He is employed as a market analyst for Texas Tech.

A 1997 graduate of GHS, he is the son of Jerry and Pat Overbey.

## Sympathy Extended

Long-time Gruver resident Vivian Green died Friday, February 23, just days shy of her 99th birthday.

Two of her six children, Glenda Renner and Weldon Green, reside in Gruver.

Vivian was a member of the Ayres family with two of her siblings, I.W. Ayres and Pauline Winger still residing in Hansford County.

Along with the other Ayres children, Alene Henderson and Charmain Lyle (both deceased), who resided in Gruver, the family had a profound and worthy impact on the Gruver community and were known for their honesty, hard work, and good deeds.

## Former Residents Update

It was good to see Justin Arnes at the Brenham barrow sift 1st week.

Justin is with Seitz fruit and meat sales which supplies the quality fruits and meats sold by many Texas FFA organizations, including Gruver FFA.

Rosa Diaz, 2001 GHS graduate and 2001 state tennis champ, has been named a Distinguished Student at Tarleton State University where she is a freshman.

The title of Distinguished Student recognizes academic achievements and is one of the highest honors conferred on students at the university.

## Basketball Wrap Up

With the close of the boys regional basketball tournament in Levelland over the weekend, all

teams representing district 1-1A game now been eliminated.

The Stratford Elks, the furthest advancing district team, were beaten by Brock in the final game of the regional tournament, this past weekend.

Although the Hounds, with only two returning letterman, struggled early in the season and played teams like West Texas High, Perryton, and Fritch who all made the playoffs, the Hounds were considerably more formidable as district neared. Both their games with the Elks were barnburners, with only a two point victory for the Elks in their first meeting.

Even in their second meeting with the Elks when they had key injured players return, the Hounds played the Elks a closer game than the teams they encountered in bi-district or regional play.

Vega who won a one-point bi-district over the Lady Hounds felt their

own pain as they lost their next game to Sudan by one point.

Although we Gruver fans always want to win the state title, it was a season of enjoyment as we observed the growth of skills in our girls and boys and the heart and determination they showed.

## Back in the Saddle

The Grapevine did not appear in last week's paper as my boss was kind enough to allow me a week off to attend the Brenham barrow sift which is a preliminary of the Houston Stock Show.

Percentage-wise, this year was the worst year for Hansford County barrow exhibitors in the ten or more years we have been involved. Since there are only 650 of the 3,600 barrows exhibited at Brenham that can be shown at Houston, the percentage of success is approximately 17%. Of the 41 barrows who made

the trip, from Hansford County only three barrows made the Houston Show.

## Congratulations Extended

Since Kitty (Sanders) Edwards is a GHS graduate, it is fitting in the Grapevine to congratulate her for being recognized as "Employee of the Year" by the Spearman Chamber of Commerce.

Kitty's warmth and sunny personality brighten the day of all around her. Several years ago, she was asked to deliver a floral arrangement to the Gruver Cemetery to be placed on a grave in remembrance of the deceased's birthday.

In her typical fashion of going beyond the call of duty even when no one is watching, Kitty placed the arrangement at the appropriate site and then paused to sing Happy Birthday before leaving.

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Reservation Bob also wishes to remind everyone that public auditions for Theatre Sports will be held Friday, March 8th at 6:00 pm and the live performance is March 22nd. Seats are limited and filling fast so call The Panhandle Diner 'n' Deli at 659-3864 soon to reserve your fun evening out.

This will definitely be a show you'll want to see. Once again there will be a special arrangement with Simple Simon's Pizza and The Lyric Theatre for the kids. Come on out and toss a biscuit at your favorite performers!

On March 30th the Christian rock band "A Road Less Traveled" will be performing for the teens. Young At Heart Bob says, "raise up and get your travel on and come chill at the PD'n'D while we be bustin' a munch and listening to some kickin' tunes". We loves us some good times and it be showin' like crazy."



# SHS Varsity Basketball

## 2001-2002 Spearman Lynx Basketball

Date: 1-25-02  
Place: Clarendon  
Season Record: 8-9,(5-4)  
Lynx 65, Clarendon 42

Date: 1-29-02  
Place: Spearman  
Season Record: 9-9,(5-5)  
Lynx 76, Wellington 57

Date: 2-1-02  
Place: Canadian  
Season Record: 10-9,(6-5)  
Lynx 82, Canadian 59

Date: 2-05-02  
Place: Spearman  
Season Record: 10-10,(6-6)  
Lynx 55, Panhandle 63

Date: 2-8-02  
Place: Sunray  
Season Record: 10-11,(6-7)  
Lynx 43, Sunray 60

Date: 2-12-02  
Place: Spearman  
Season Record: 11-11,(7-7)  
Lynx 82, Highland Park 38

Date: 2-15-02  
Place: Perryton  
Season Record: 12-11,(8-7)  
Lynx 56, Sunray 49

Date: 2-19-02  
Place: Canyon  
Season Record: 13-11  
Lynx 73, Hale Center 64

Date: 2-22-02  
Place: Plainview  
Season Record: 13-12  
Lynx 58, Olney 64

### Lynx Fall to Olney

Plainview-The Spearman Lynx traveled to Wayland Baptist University to play the Olney Cubs in the area game of the Texas high school playoffs at the Hutcherson Center in Plainview. The Lynx were coming off a big win against Hale Center on Tuesday. Spearman knew that they would have their hands full against Olney and would have to play a great game in order to come out on top. Olney advanced to the state tournament the year before and is looking to make another trip to Austin. This was a game between two

good teams and when it was all said and done, the Cubs came out on top by a score of 64-58. The Lynx fell cold in the third quarter as they only scored five points and that was the difference in the game.

Olney was led by Trent Pratt with 20 points followed by Jeff Snyder with 11 points. Spearman's top scorer was Colton Miller with 21 followed by Tanner Beedy with 10 points. Olney led by 2 points after the 1st quarter and then led by 7 at the half. Then the Lynx could not buy a bucket in the 3rd quarter and fell behind by 13 at the end of the 3rd period.

Spearman never gave up and fought back in the 4th quarter and closed the lead to within 3 points, but could not get any closer than that. Spearman outscored Olney 25-18 in the 4th quarter, but it just wasn't quite enough for the win. Our hats are off to the Olney Cubs because they are a very good team and we wish them the best of luck in the rest of the playoffs. They played well together and moved really well without the ball. They did not take very many poor shots and were very accurate when they did shoot the ball. They also got on the boards better than any team we have played this year.

The Lynx also had a great year and this was the farthest a Lynx basketball team has advanced in about 10 years. Our guys played very well as a team and they were very unselfish on the court. It is a shame that our basketball program suffers because of our success in football when we are in an eight team district. All of these guys played hard all year long and had to overcome some adversity, but they stuck together and had a great year and our hats are off to our Lynx, too!

Seniors Tanner Beedy, John Brock and J.D. Shufeldt (even though he didn't play the last three games) will be missed and they were a great asset to this team. The Lynx will have several players back next year and should be making another run at the district title. Colton Miller, Kevin Beedy, Adam Cherry, Jeremy Vera, Lance Baker, and Taylor Simpson will all be back next year and we will be expecting great things out of all these guys!

Congratulations to all the Lynx

and we wish you all the best! Good luck in the spring sports and I hope you all finish the year on a great note!

## 2001-2002

**Boys All-District**  
Josh Weatherred, SR, West Texas, MVP; Colton Miller, JR, Spearman; Tanner Beedy, SR, Spearman; Kevin Beedy, JR, Spearman; Shane Slover, SR, Panhandle; Harley Foster, SR, Panhandle; Jesse Lechuga, SR, Sunray; Cody Watson, SR, Clarendon; Jared Lax, SR, Clarendon; Reid Wilson, SR, West Texas; Chase Loyd, JR, Wellington

## 2001-2002 Spearman Lynxette Basketball

Date: 1-29-02  
Place: Wellington  
Season Record: 19-10,(9-3)  
Lynxettes 49, Wellington 51  
Comments: We had a great 1st quarter and held them off for most of the game. We gave good effort. Wellington just made some key shots down the stretch.

Date: 2-1-02  
Place: Canadian  
Season Record: 19-11,(9-4)  
Lynxettes 32, Canadian 48  
Comments: We turned the ball over twice as much as they did and

Canadian is too good to do that. We lost the 3rd quarter by a big margin or it would have been close.

## Date: 2-5-02

Place: Spearman  
Season Record: 19-12,(9-5)  
Lynxettes 32, Panhandle 40  
Comments: We just did not play that well, especially in the 1st half. This was a great bunch of girls and they deserved more rewards than they received. It was a pleasure to coach them this year and they are great leaders for the school and community.

## 2001-2002

**Girls All-District**  
Jana Francis, SR, Canadian, District MVP; Alicia Ward, SR, Wellington; Mindee Gillaspie, JR, Spearman; Lindsey Kennedy, SR, Panhandle; Andrea Hill, SR, Sunray; Calla Lair, SR, Sunray; Janey Aduddell, SR, Clarendon; Julia Sonen, SR, Sunray; Nikki Sims, SR, Wellington; Tandi Rankin, Soph, Canadian; April Bryley, SR, Clarendon; Kristin Fisher, Soph, West Texas; Keilee Goodheart, Soph, Spearman; April Zamora, Soph, Panhandle; Cheryl Gibson, SR, Spearman; Mary Butler, JR, Clarendon  
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March 8	Booker	Booker CC
March 12	Canadian	Canadian CC
March 23	Perryton	Perryton CC
March 25	Sunray	Dumas CC
April 3	1st Round District	Clarendon CC
April 9	2nd Round District	Wellington
April 22-23	Regional Tournament	Baird
May 6-7	State Tournament	Austin

Varsity Lynx Tennis		
Date	Event	Site
March 8-9	Dumas Tournament	Dumas HS
March 15-16	Spearman Tournament	Spearman HS
March 22-23	Canyon-Amarillo Tourney	TBA
March 29-30	Amarillo Relays	Amarillo ISD
April 4-5	District Tournament	Pampa HS
April 12-13	Regional Qual. Tourn.	TBA
April 24-25	Regional Tournament	Abilene Christian Univ.
May 6-7	State Tournament	Austin

Lynx & Lynxette Track		
Date	Place	Divisions
March 1-2	Highland Park	HS Boys only
March 8-9	Canadian	JH-HS
March 15-16	Spearman	JH-HS
March 22-23	Sanford-Fritch	JH-HS
March 28-29	Sunray	JH-HS
April 5	West Texas	HS only
April 6	Sunray-District	JH only
April 11-12	West Texas-District	HS only
April 26-27	Abilene-Regional	HS only
May 9-11	Austin-State	HS only

Varsity Lynxette Tennis		
Date	Event	Site
March 8-9	Dumas Tournament	Dumas HS
March 15-16	Spearman Tournament	Spearman HS
March 22-23	Canyon-Amarillo Tourm.	TBA
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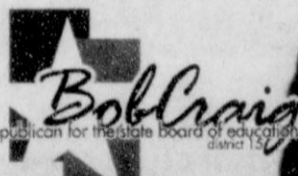
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# Spearman ISD Board Notes

The Board of Trustees of the Spearman Independent School District met in a regular meeting on February 11, 2002 at 7 p.m. in the High School Library.

Mr. Mark Sheets, President of the Board of Trustees, announced that a quorum was present and called the meeting to order.

### Hear From Patrons or Staff

A patron addressed the board regarding a personnel concern in open forum. Since the concern included a personnel matter the board convened in closed session to hear the complaint.

### Closed Session

### Reconvene Into Open Session Discussion

Verlan Winegamer presented a PowerPoint presentation on the "Excel Math" program that is used at the Elementary Campus. Teri Orr, Jennifer Stinson, Mary Ann Lasater, Linda Rodgers and Kristi Ramon were present to answer questions and provide input regarding the program.

### Action Items

- Approved consent items: 1) Minutes of the Regular Meeting, January 14, 2002; 2) Paying the bills in the amount of \$123,338.95
- Awarded the gas and diesel bid to Spearman Equity for the month of March 2002
- Approved the financial report as

presented

- Approved Budget Change Request #9

- Approved Resolution to authorize signature for check payments

- Ordered the School Board Election for May 4, 2002

- Appointed Kim Brock as Election Judge and J.L. Brock as Alternate Election Judge for the May 4, 2002 School Board Election

- Approved Board Policy CQ (Local) with changes for Electronic Communication and Data Management

- Approved request from Molly Holton to attend an out-of-state workshop (Bill of Rights Summer Institute for Teachers) with the school paying an expense of \$250 for tuition

- Approved Corrective Action Plan for CATE/OCR on-site visit on December 4, 2001

- Approved request from Kent Hargis and Bill Wiggins to use up to \$6000 of funds from Gus Birdwell interest for a marquee to be installed between their campuses

### Information & Announcement Items

- Student enrollment for Spearman ISD is 761 as of February 11, 2002, up three from January

- A substitute usage report was provided for the pay period from December 15, 2001 to January 18, 2002

- Board member continuing education reports were provided to Board members for review of their continuing education hours from 01/01/98-02/07/02

- District Education Improvement Committee (DEIC) meeting is scheduled for February 20, 2002 from 4-6 p.m.

- Closed Meeting - Personnel Matters

### Reconvene Into Open Meeting

- Extended the contract of Kent Hargis for one additional year (which will give him a two-year contract)

- Extended the contract of Bill Wiggins to a two-year contract

- Extended the contract of Bill Belger to a two-year contract

### Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 11:07 p.m.

# American Legion Boys State, Girls State

There are two girls and one boy in Spearman High School who wish to attend the summer American Legion Programs Girls State and Boys State.

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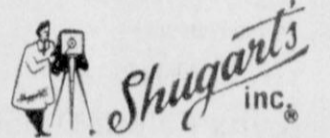
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4(11-1-01)

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TFN(2-07-02)B

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TFN(2-07-02)

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2(2-28-02)B

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2(2-28-02)B

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1(3-7-02)P

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**APPLICATIONS BEING ACCEPTED**  
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TFN(1-24-02)B

**NOTICE!**  
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These records involve students who attended the following schools: Perryton ISD, Spearman ISD, Booker ISD, Follett ISD and Darrouzett ISD. Parents or students have the right to obtain these records rather than have them destroyed.  
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402 Amhearth  
Perryton, TX 79070  
(806) 435-4412  
TFN(1-24-02)B

**NOTICE**  
Palo Duro Supper Club has applied for private club registration permit for location of 22 S. Archer, Spearman, Hansford County, Texas. Officers being Reba Kay Hamilton, President/Secretary-Treasurer; James Lloyd Hamilton, Vice President.  
2(2-28-02)B

**JOB OPENING**  
The City of Spearman is now accepting applications for the following seasonal positions:  
Swimming Pool Manager - \$8.00/hr  
Asst. Swim. Pool Mng. - \$6.50/hr  
4 Full-time Lifeguards - \$5.75/hr

1 Part-time Lifeguard - \$5.75/hr  
2 Maintenance Workers - \$6.50/hr  
Persons who qualify for the Assistance Manager and lifeguard positions must be able to obtain certified lifeguard training. For further information, contact City Manager Robert Patrick at 659-2524.  
Applications may be obtained at City Hall, 30 SW Court. The City is an EOE.  
2(2-28-02)B

**LEGAL NOTICE**

Hansford County Commissioners' Court will receive bids until 4 p.m. on Friday, March 22, 2002 on the purchase of a new one-and-one-half ton four-wheel

drive, 2002, truck chassis and one 500-gallon water tank bed with two pumps, to be mounted on truck chassis for the Spearman Volunteer Fire Department. Bids will be opened on Monday, March 25, 2002 at the regular Commissioners' Court meeting beginning at 10 a.m.  
Specifications are available in the County Judge's Office or the County Auditor's Office in the Hansford County Courthouse, Spearman, TX. The Court reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids.  
Jim D. Brown  
Hansford County Judge  
3(3-7-02)B

**Thank You**

I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who early voted, and to remind everyone else that Friday, March 8th is the last day to early vote.

I would like to invite everyone who does not early vote to vote on Tuesday, March 12th in the Republican Primary.

Remember, every vote counts!

Thank you for your vote and support.

Bob Davis,  
Hansford County Justice of the Peace

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**AUCTION**

**FARM LAND & FARM EQUIPMENT**

**DOW BREWER - Owner**  
411 ACRES OF IRRIGATED LAND

**Thursday MARCH 21**  
2002 - Starting Time: 10 a.m. CST

LAND WILL SELL AT 12:30 P.M. DAY OF AUCTION, AND WILL BE AUCTIONED FROM THE FARM EQUIPMENT AUCTION SITE

"I am quitting farming, and will sell at auction the following" Don Brewer, owner

**LOCATION OF LAND:**  
From Stratford, TX: Go 14 miles east on Hwy 15, then 3 miles south on Hwy 119, then 1 mile west on county road  
From Sunray, TX: Go 18 miles north on Hwy 119, then 1 mile west on county road  
From Gruver, TX: Go 25 miles west on Hwy 15, then 3 miles south on Hwy 119, then 1 mile west on county road

**LOCATION OF FARM EQUIPMENT SITE:**  
From Stratford, TX: Go 10 miles east on Hwy 15, then 2 miles south on Co Rd 16, then 1 mile east to auction site  
From Sunray, TX: Go 21 miles north on Hwy 119, then 4 miles west on Hwy 15, then 2 miles south on Co Rd 16, then 1 mile east to auction site  
From Gruver, TX: Go 29 miles west on Hwy 15, then 2 miles south on Co Rd 16, then 1 mile east on Co Rd to auction site

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**DESCRIPTION OF FARM LAND**  
All of the south half (S/2) of section one hundred fifty-two (152), Blk 1-C, GH&H survey, Sherman County, Texas, containing 411 acres of land, more or less (no mineral rights).  
This 411 acres has two 8" irrigation wells, and one 1996 Reinke 8 tower electric drive sprinkler w/drops at 60" & regulators  
At this time there is one circle - 122 acres of good irrigated wheat and approximately 82 acres of dryland wheat included with the sale of the land  
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**Grand Champion Steer**  
Kaylee Holt  
Hansford Implement, buyer



**Grand Champion Lamb**  
Teal Armes  
First State Bank, buyer



Showmanship winners in the Hansford County Stock Show are (L-R), Kyna Shields, senior lamb showman and senior steer showman, Tera Shields, junior lamb showman, Bailey Reid, senior swine showman, Taylor Williams, junior swine showman, and Tucker Williams junior steer show-



**Grand Champion Swine**  
Lindy Weldon  
Rita Cluck, buyer



**Reserve Champion Steer**  
Kyna Shields  
Hansford Vet Clinic, buyer



**Reserve Champion Lamb**  
Kyna Shields  
Fort Dodge & Stedje Livestock



**Reserve Champion Swine**  
Ori Cooksey  
Bartlett Lumber, buyer

## Lambs

**Grand Champion** - Teal Armes - First State Bank  
**Reserve Champion** - Kyna Shields - Fort Dodge/Stedje Livestock  
**Junior Showmanship** - Tera Shields  
**Senior Showmanship** - Kyna Shields

### Class I

Brian Johnson - Larry's Welding  
Lanie Graves - Monty & Katsy Cluck  
Malissa Montgomery - Danny & Harletta Carthel  
Brienne Jordan - Joe & Nancy Morris  
Joey Pearson - Clark Aerial Spraying  
Jessica Schmidt - Newcomb Bed & Breakfast/Hereford Bi-Products  
Makenzie Crane - Del Cluck  
Isaac Herndon - J&M Service Center

### Class II

Tabatha Shields - Five Star Equipment  
Britney Montgomery - Kevin & Ronda Holt  
Noemi Rodriguez - El Coyote Ranch  
Rachelle Holt - Spark's Brothers Spraying  
Addam Ferguson - JK Farm & Ranch  
Matthew Jarvis - Britt Jarvis  
Charlie Slough - DOT Trailer Repair

### Class III

Brittany Morris - Vance & Ruth Shields  
Kaylee Holt - Morris Stock Farms  
Justin Parker - Frontier Feeders  
Kylie McGaha - El Coyote Ranch  
Amanda Pearson - Hi-Plains Auto  
Cory Graves - Gruver State Bank  
Coy Herrington - Charles Elliott

### Class IV

Eric Flores - Clint & Jody Irwin  
Leaha Smith - Joe & Nancy Morris  
Nicholas Slough - Interstate Bank  
Justin Thompson - Ag Partners  
Megan Stedje - G&G Foodliners  
Dustin Mackie - Travis Patterson  
Chris Herndon - First State Bank  
Marshall Hearon - Bill Pittman

### Class V

Sammi Johnson - Gigot Irrigation  
Brennan Reid - Tom Dortch  
Ori Cooksey - Pittman & Sons  
Blayne Baker - Performance Unlimited  
Evan Schmidt - El Coyote Ranch  
Justin Duby - Berry Grain  
Eric Vasquez - Interstate Bank/Hansford County Feeders

### Class VI

Jessica Montgomery - Berry Grain  
Tara Shields - Pittman & Sons  
Seth Clemmons - Monty & Katsy Cluck  
Kellyn King - Charlie Bell  
Seth Thompson - Paul Farms  
Preslee Baker - JK Farm & Ranch  
Jessica Jarvis - Britt Jarvis

### Class VII

Christen Ferguson - Hansford Implement  
Kali Shields - Hansford Agency  
Tyler Lane - Reid Feed/Brock Insurance  
Bailey Reid - Don & Wanda Reed  
Elena Vargas - El Coyote Ranch

## Steers

**Grand Champion** - Kaylee Holt - Hansford Implement  
**Reserve Champion** - Kyna Shields - Hansford Vet Clinic/Hereford Bi Products  
**Junior Showmanship** - Tucker Williams  
**Senior Showmanship** - Kyna Shields

### Class I - Light

Charlie Slough - Cattleman's Livestock Auction  
Kali Shields - Texhoma Livestock Auction  
Rhett Renner - H&H Water Well  
Clete Vanderburg - Pat & Georgia Holt

### Class II - Medium

Tracy Brown - D.A. Daniel/Clark Dirt Const./Arkoma Transportation  
Brenna Reid - Holt Land & Cattle  
Bailey Reid - Pat & Georgia Holt  
Nicholas Slough - Pat & Georgia Holt

## Class III - Medium Heavy

Rachelle Holt - Hansford Feeders  
Travis Brown - First Bank Southwest  
Lance Williams - Boots Williams  
Chase Schubert - Five Star Equipment  
Zack Murray - First State Bank

## Class IV - Heavy

Britta Vanderburg - Monty & Katsy Cluck  
Taylor Williams - Boots Williams  
Brittany Morris - Griffin Vet Service  
Tucker Williams - Boots Williams

## Swine

**Grand Champion** - Lindy Weldon - Rita Cluck  
**Reserve Champion** - Ori Cooksey - Bartlett's Lumber  
**Junior Showmanship** - Taylor Williams  
**Senior Showmanship** - Bailey Reid

## DUROC

**Breed Champion** - Casey Cator - Spearman Equity/Monsanto  
**Reserve Breed** - Charlie Slough - Batman Grain

### Class I

Brenna Reid - First National Bank  
Clayton Thompson - Gruver Redi Mix  
Kylie McGaha - Interstate Bank/First National Bank  
Tashi Schumann - First National Bank

### Class II

Austin Benton - HG Flying  
Jessica Montgomery - Berry Grain  
Zack Nollner - Charles Elliott  
Nicholas Slough - Paul Farms  
Sydney Been - Anne Moore/Jerry Williams

### Class III

Malissa Montgomery - Spearman Equity/Asgro/Monsanto  
Garrett Martin - Pittman & Sons

## HAMPSHIRE

**Breed Champion** - Ori Cooksey - Bartlett's Lumber  
**Reserve Breed** - Taylor Williams - Hansford Supply/Gruver Insurance/Little Tiffany's

### Class IV

Britney Montgomery - Scott & Shelly Stedje  
David Pipkin - Farmers Ag/Helena  
Daniel Longoria - First State Bank  
Reagan Karlin - Stan Seagler/Kenneth Slough  
Eric Vasquez - Attebury Grain

### Class V

Colt Cluck - Quinten Harper/Bob Cluck  
Cory Graves - MBI  
Zack Murray - Schubert Inc./Becken Livestock  
Keilee Goodheart - North Plains Insurance

### Class VI

Hudson Williams - Mack McLain  
Tucker Williams - Gruver Fuel  
Cody Benton - Hansford Implement  
Stuart Martin - Five Star Equipment

## YORKS

**Breed Champion** - Tyler Lane - El Coyote Ranch  
**Reserve Breed** - Timber Barkley - Paul Farms

### Class VII

Kallie Smith - AGCO  
Seth Thompson - Hi-Plains Auto  
Brock Irwin - Gruver Ford  
Amanda Pearson - First National Bank  
Emily Hood - Pat & Georgia Holt

### Class VIII

Rachelle Holt - Morris Stock Farms  
Cody Mac Been - Tony & Lonetta Shapley  
Lanie Graves - Reid Feed/Mark Guthrie

### Class IX

Bailey Reid - Texas Farms  
Ricky Garcia - First State Bank  
Kade Carthel - Cluck Flying

## CROSS

**Breed Champion** - Lindy Weldon - Rita Cluck  
**Reserve Breed** - Megan Stedje - Gruver State Bank

## Class X

Tate Batton - Farmers Ag/Sonny Nollner  
Jack Karlin - Martin Assoc. & Realty  
Trent Goodheart - AGCO  
Kellyn King - Sunray Coop  
Kyna Shields - Bill Pittman

## Class XI

Kaylee Holt - Hi Pro Animal Health/Gruver Agri Indust.  
Jessica Schmidt - Berry Grain  
Joey Pearson - Spearman Equity/Farmland Transport/Monsanto  
Andi Lynn Scarborough - Equity/Dekalb/Farmland Fertilizer  
Tanner Irwin - Sparks Brothers Spraying/Texhoma Livestock Auction

## Class XII

Dakota Cator - D.A. & Patty Cator  
Teal Armes - Bort Agency  
Brittany Morris - Vance & Ruth Morris  
Elena Vargas - AGCO  
Hunter Bevell - Cluck Flying

## Class XIII

Lance Williams - United Suppliers/Gruver Agri Indust.  
Preslee Baker - Pat Patterson  
Evan Schmidt - El Coyote Ranch  
Justin Thompson - Palo Duro Ranch  
Travis Boyd - Western Production

## Class XIV

Dustin Mackie - AGCO  
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