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At A Glance

Athletic Physicals Scheduled

Spearman I.S.D. has scheduled the 2002-2003 athletic physicals.

Wednesday, July 31st: 9 a.m. - Senior Boys; 10 a.m. - Junior Boys; 11 a.m. - Sophomore Boys; 1 p.m. - Freshman Boys; 2 p.m. - 8th Grade Boys; 3 p.m. - 7th Grade Boys. Students are to report to the Field House.

Friday, August 2nd: 9 a.m. - Senior & Junior Girls; 10 a.m. - Sophomore Girls; 10:45 a.m. - Freshman Girls; 1 p.m. - 8th Grade Girls; 2 p.m. - 7th Grade Girls.

Physicals will be given in the High School Library. All students are required to have a physical before they may compete in any athletic activity. Students should have physical forms signed by their parents when they arrive. If student does not have a physical form, a parent should accompany the student in order to sign the form.

Local doctors will give free physicals. If students are unable to be at the above scheduled physicals they should make arrangements to get their physicals, at their own expense, prior to their first workout.

Wheatheart Wheat Conference To Be Held

The Texas Agricultural Extension Service in Ochiltree, Hansford, Hutchinson, Lipscomb and Hemphill counties are sponsoring the 4th annual Wheatheart of the Nation Wheat Conference on Thursday, August 1, 2002.

The conference will be held at the Ochiltree County Expo Center in Perryton. Registration is free of charge and begins at 8:30 a.m. All area wheat producers are invited to hear extension and industry specialists cover topics related to disease management, varieties, bindweed control, seed quality, cattle management on wheat, and planting management.

A free meal and 3 CEU's will be offered to all attending with private, commercial and non-commercial applicator licenses.

For more information, you may contact the Ochiltree County Extension Office at (806) 435-4501.

Ranch Estate Planning Seminar Set August 4-5

Texans can learn how to reduce their estate taxes and make effective estate planning decisions at an Aug. 4-5 Ranch Estate Planning Seminar at the College Station Conference Center.

"This seminar will focus on how to make wise ranch estate planning decisions," said Dr. Wayne A. Hayenga, Texas Cooperative Extension economist-management. "The information is useful for married couples, spouses, potential estate executors, trustees, and those who want to make estate settlement less burdensome."

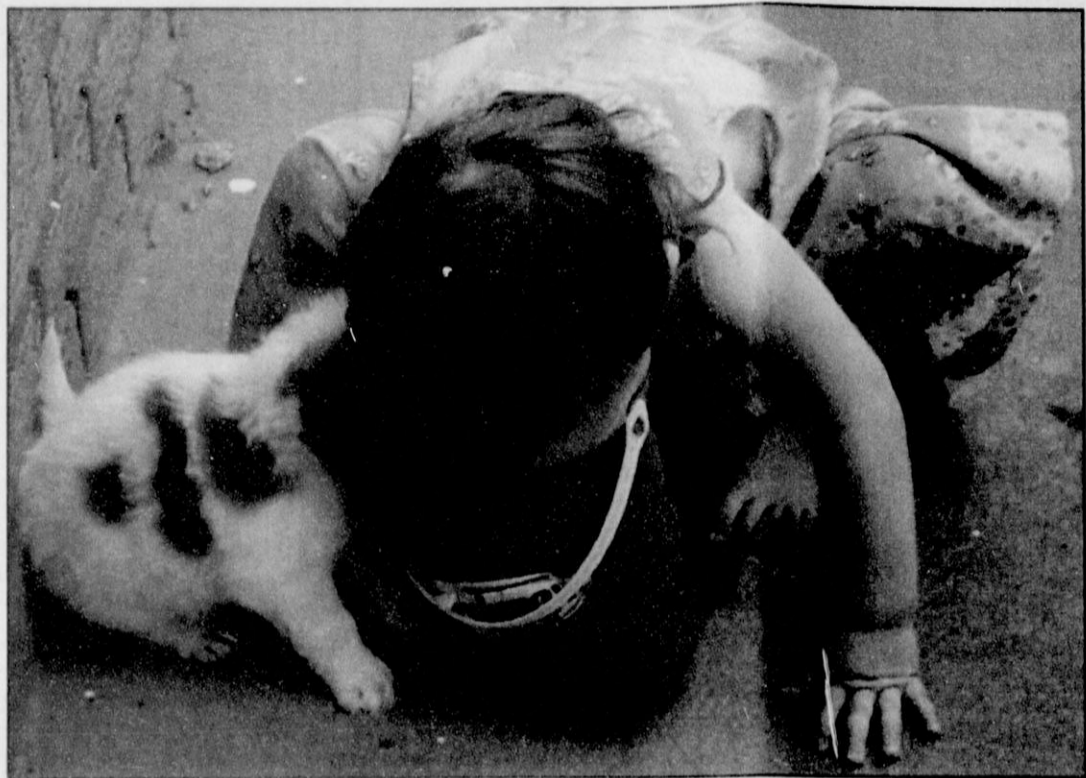
The 1½ day seminar will run concurrently with Texas A&M University's 48th annual Beef Cattle Short Course and Trade Show, slated on August 5-7.

The Ranch Estate Planning Seminar will cover: Basic estate planning devices such as wills, living trusts, estate tax deferral, gifts and property titles; How to treat beneficiaries fairly; Estate planning tools for agriculture, including the use of corporations and partnerships; special farm land valuation; family-owned business exclusion; and rules for deferring estate tax payments; The role of life insurance in estate planning, and tax valuation rules.

The seminar runs from 3 p.m. to 7 p.m. on Aug. 4 (including a light snack), and from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. on August 5 (including lunch). Registration costs \$100 per person and includes printed materials, refreshments, and meal.

Registration and other information is available by calling Sharon Wehring at (979) 845-2226.

More information on the Beef Cattle Short Course is available by calling (979) 845-3579.



Two-year-old Meghan McNulty and "Bob" beat the heat of the "dog days of summer" by sharing a cool drink of water. Meghan is the daughter of Jennifer and David McNulty of Crofton, MD, and the granddaughter of Gary and Cathy Smith of Spearman.

Injured Bull Rider Returns Home



Evan Schmidt, 18, was transported by Medivac helicopter to Amarillo Friday evening, July 19, after being injured at the Gruver Cowboyfest Rodeo. He returned home from the hospital on Monday evening.

Schmidt, a 2002 graduate of Gruver High School, sustained head injuries, near the end of his eight second bull ride. He was treated by EMS personnel at the scene and was taken by ambulance to Hansford Hospital where the Medivac helicopter was summoned to transport him to Amarillo.

His injuries were described as bruises to the brain and a deep cut inside his mouth. A CAT scan on Monday revealed that nearly all blood on the brain had been reabsorbed, and Schmidt was released later that day.

Schmidt has been a competitor in the Tri State High School Rodeo Association throughout his high school career. He recently competed in the Texas State High School Rodeo where he was named Rookie of the Year and narrowly missed advancing to the national high school finals in bull riding. He will attend Frank Phillips College where he will be a member of the rodeo team.

Three-Day Sales Tax Holiday Nears

A Message from Carole Keeton Rylander

Dear Taxpayer:

This year's sales tax holiday for clothing and footwear begins at 12:01 a.m. on Friday, August 2, and ends at midnight on Sunday, August 4. The tax break is expected to save Texas consumers millions in state and local sales taxes. This is one time hard-working Texans can keep their money in their pockets for their families' priorities.

Since its inception, I have been a strong advocate for the sales tax holiday. Therefore, I am pleased to do my part to ensure the success of this year's tax holiday. I have enclosed a list of items for a quick reference and a flyer that you can post in a prominent place in your store in advance of the tax holiday.

Because not every possible item that qualifies for the exemption could fit on the list, it is not a complete list. Please call my office at 1-800-252-5555, if you have questions about items that you do not see listed.

Here are some highlights about the sales tax holiday:

* The tax holiday occurs every year on the first Friday, Saturday, and Sunday of August. Qualifying items are exempt from state sales taxes and exempt from local sales taxes unless a city chooses not to participate. This year no cities opted out of the holiday; thus, qualifying items will be fully exempt from tax.

* Most clothing and footwear that is priced at less than \$100 will be exempt from sales tax. Customers will receive the break on individual items, regardless of the amount they buy. For example, sales tax is not due if a customer buys six shirts that are each priced at under \$100. But, the full tax is due on a shirt that is sold for \$110; the first \$99.99 cannot be exempted.

* Clothing and footwear that are used primarily for athletic activities or for protective wear are not eligible for the exemption. Customers buying golf cleats and football pads, for instance, must pay sales tax. Athletic wear that is also used for participation in other non-athletic activities can qualify for tax exemption. For example, tennis shoes, baseball caps, and jogging suits are worn during everyday activities and thus may be purchased tax free during the holiday.

* Also excluded from the sales tax holiday are accessories, such as jewelry and watches; items that are carried rather than worn, including handbags, briefcases, and wallets; and clothing rentals, such as formal wear and costume rentals and repairs and alterations.

Sales Tax Holiday Tax-Free Items: Baby clothes, Bathing suits, Belts with attached buckles, Boots (cowboy, hiking), Caps/hats (baseball, fishing, golf, knitted), Choir robes, Coats and wraps, Costumes, Diapers (adult and baby), Dresses, Gloves (generally), Gym suits and uniforms, Hooded shirts and hooded sweatshirts, Hosiery, Jackets, Jeans, Jerseys (baseball and football), Jogging apparel (bras, suits, shorts), Neckwear and ties, Pajamas, Pants and trousers, Raincoats and ponchos, Robes, Shirts, Shoes (sandals, slippers, sneakers, tennis, walking), Socks (including athletic), Shorts, Suits, Slacks, Jackets, Sweatshirts, Sweat suits, Sweaters, Swim suits and trunks, Underwear, Work clothes and uniforms.

Sales Tax Holiday Taxable Items: Accessories (generally - barrettes, elastic pony tail holders, wallets, watches), Backpacks, Baseball cleats and pants, Belt buckles (without belt), Boots (climbing, fishing, rubber work boots, ski, waders), Buttons and zippers, Cloth and lace, knitting yarns and other fabrics, Dry cleaning services, Football pants, Golf gloves, Handbags and purses, Handkerchiefs, Hard hats, Helmets (bike, baseball, football, hockey, motorcycle, sports), Ice skates, Jewelry, Laundering services, Leather goods - except belts and wearing apparel, Pads-football, hockey, soccer, elbow, knee, shoulder, Personal flotation devices, Rented clothing-uniforms, formal wear, costumes, Roller blades and skates, Safety clothing, glasses, Shoes (bicycle (cleated), bowling, golf), Wallets, Watches.

I hope that you find this information helpful. Again, if you have questions about the sales tax holiday, please visit our website at <www.window.state.tx.us>, or call us toll free at 1-800-252-5555.

Sincerely,

Carole Keeton Rylander

Carole Keeton Rylander
Texas Comptroller

Golden Spread Senior Citizens Center Annual Radio Auction

on

KRDF-FM 98.3

Thurs., July 25th, 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

Fri., July 26th, 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

For more information, call 659-3030 or 659-3866.

Items of Interest Include:

Trampoline, Travel Trailer, Roll-Top Desk, 2 Desk Chairs, Recliner, Hand-Painted Furniture, Lady's Watch from Hickerson Jewelry, Exercise Bicycle, Chuckwagon Dinner for 60 (w/2 hours DJ Music), Dutch Oven Supper for 10-12, Pork Tenderloin Dinner for 4, 4-Drawer Filing Cabinet, Children's Hand-Painted Furniture, Dessert of the Month, Several Baskets of Beauty Products, Child's Old-Fashioned School Desk, Silk Hydrangea Floral Arrangement, \$500 Gift Certificate from Duncan Boyd Jewelry, and Many More Items Too Numerous to Mention!

Auction Phone Numbers

659-5300 • 659-5400 • 659-2201

Courtesy of Valor Telecom



Gerardo Monroy

Monroy Wins Poster Contest

Gerardo Monroy of Gruver displays the medal he was recently awarded as a state winner in the Parent Teacher Organization's (PTO) annual environmental poster contest.

Gerardo, who will be a second grader at Gruver Elementary this fall, is the school's first-ever state winner in the event.

The theme for this year's contest was "Texas PTO/PTA Remember the Past, Protect the Future." Gerardo's poster featured a trio of dinosaur species around a lake.

He is the son of Christina and Sergio Altamirano.

Laugh
and
Live



by Catherine R. Smith
CathyRSmit@aol.com

A friend of mine sent me the following story about "Social Security and Senators." I found it very interesting, and thought you might also. (This is especially interesting in light of recent activities with the stock market, as well as the raise that the Senate voted on for themselves.)

Social Security

Perhaps we are asking the wrong questions during election years. Our Senators and Congressmen do not pay into Social Security and, of course, they do not collect from it. Social Security benefits were not suitable for persons of their rare elevation in society. They felt they should have a special plan for themselves. Many years ago they voted in their own benefit plan. In more recent years, no congress person has felt the need to change it. After all, it is a great plan.

For all practical purposes THEIR plan works like this: When they retire, they continue to draw the same pay until they die, except it may increase from time to time for cost of living adjustments. For example, former Senator Byrd and Congressman White and their wives may expect to draw \$7,800,000.00 (that's Seven Million, Eight-Hundred Thousand), with their wives drawing \$275,000.00 during the last years of their lives. This is calculated on an average life span for each. Their cost for this excellent plan is \$00.00.

Nada. Zilch. This little perk they voted for themselves is free to them. You and I pick up the tab for this plan. The funds for this fine retirement plan come directly from the General Funds--our tax dollars at work!

From our own Social Security Plan, which you and I pay (or have paid) into--every payday until we retire (which amount is matched by our employer)--we can expect to get an average \$1,000 per month after retirement. Or, in other words, we would have to collect our average of \$1,000. monthly benefits for 68 years and one (1) month to equal Bradley's benefits!

Social Security could be very good if only one small change were made. And that change would be to jerk the Golden Fleece Retirement Plan from under the Senators and Congressmen. Put them into the Social Security plan with the rest of us and then watch how fast they would fix it.

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 :)

2002 Beef Cattle Short Course Slated

Top national speakers, including Texas Agriculture Commissioner Susan Combs and Linda Logan, executive director of the Texas Animal Health Commission, headline this year's Beef Cattle Short Course Aug. 5-7 at Texas A&M University.

Speakers will discuss current technical trends, Texas beef making marketing programs, animal diseases and related issues, said Dr. Larry Boleman, coordinator of the event.

For \$100 per participant, producers can receive the latest information, the proceedings, several meals including a prime rib dinner, and trade show and industry materials.

Logan will be on hand to advise beef producers on the current status of tuberculosis in Texas and its marketing implications. Additionally, other threatening diseases, like chronic wasting disease, as well as Texas emergency disease preparation and biosecurity issues will be discussed.

Other speakers at the 2002 Beef Cattle Short Course include Paul Hitch, Hitch Enterprises, Inc., Guymon Okla.; John Patterson, beef specialist, Montana State University; Dave Nichols, Nichols

Farms, Bridgewater, Iowa, and David Corona, National Cattlemen's Beef Association's marketing program.

"The Beef Cattle Short Course is a leader in producer education and is designed to bring the latest information, issues and industry changes to producers so that they can evaluate and adapt to the latest issues for greater and quicker monetary returns to their operations," Boleman said.

Producers can personalize their own training by selecting from the concurrent training sessions in grazing management workshops, breeds and sire selections, and management concepts for increasing immunity in calves. In-depth, hands-on reproductive training with bulls and cows will also be offered, as well as sessions on record-keeping systems and financial management, cattle working demonstrations with health emphasis and a basic ranch management session for beginning or novice ranch owners.

Boleman also encourages participants to attend the Cattlemen's College at the Texas A&M Campus on Aug. 5.

The early registration deadline has passed, but late registration

and on-site registration is available for \$120 per person. For further information or a registration form, please visit the Beef Cattle Short Course Web site at <http://animalscience-extension.tamu.edu/beef/short-course.html> or contact Amy, Allyson or Jenna at (979) 845-9579 or (979) 845-6931.

Thank You!

God blessed us with so many great Christian friends. Even before the ambulance could get into the area cowboys were laying their hands on Evan for the Lord's healing. Thank you for the calls, concern and assistance at home, and the visits at the hospital. Most of all, may God bless you and the power of prayer.

The Evan Schmidt Family

Thank You!

We would like to thank everyone who purchased "Krispy Kreme" donuts. It was a very successful fundraiser! A special thank you to Stephanie Crossland for organizing the event, Bobby Smith for picking up the donuts, and to Moms Leslie Paul, Kitty Edwards, Kim Vanderburg, Jennifer Stinson, Jan Howard and Cleve Vanderburg for helping that day.

Thanks Again! Go Lynx!
SHS Cheerleaders

Jessica Crossland, Jentry Edwards, Sami Cazares, Claudia Vaquera, Dana McLaughlin, Macy Harbour, Britta Vanderburg, Jenna Cherry, and Mascot Miranda Paul

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Wed. Prayer Mtg.: 7 p.m.
Pastor - Roland Haney

First Assembly of God
401 N. Bernice • 659-2255
Sunday School: 9:30 a.m.
Worship: 10:30 a.m.
Kid's Church: 10:30 a.m.
Evening Worship: 7 p.m.
Wed. Prayer: 7:30 p.m.
Youth: 7:30 Wednesday
Pastor - Walter Greaser, Jr.

First Christian Church
(Disciples of Christ)
2945 Bernice • 659-2036
Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.
Worship: 10:50 a.m.
Minister - Gary Smith

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

Church of Christ
121 S. Haney • 659-3244
Sunday Bible Class: 9:45 a.m.
Worship: 10:30 a.m.
Evening Worship: 6 p.m.
Bible Study Wed.: 7:30 p.m.
KRDF Radio Program
Living With Christ: 7:50 a.m.
Minister - Leonard Harper

Sacred Heart Catholic Church
901 Roland • 659-2792
Sat. Night Mass: 5:30 p.m.
Sun. Mass: 9 a.m. - English
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Sun. Mass: 11:30 - Spanish
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Rev. Scott Raef

Trinity Fellowship Church
717 W. 7th Ave. • 659-2671
Sunday School: 9:30 a.m.
Worship Service &
Children's Church: 10:30 a.m.
Pastor - Dennis Alger

First Presbyterian Church
(Worships with Lutheran)
1021 Colter • 659-2033
Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.
Worship: 11 a.m.
(alternates monthly between Lutheran &
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Pastor - Beverly Cook

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

First United Methodist
407 S. Haney • 659-5503
Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.
Worship: 8:30 & 11 a.m.
Jr. High Youth: 5 p.m. Sunday
High School: 6 p.m. Sunday
Kids Club: 3 p.m. Wed.
Pastor - Ken Cole

Union Church
31 S. Endicott • 659-2644
Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.
Worship: 10:45 a.m.
Evening Worship: 6 p.m.
Bible Study: 7 p.m. Wed.
Pastor - Bill Sparks

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

Primera Mision Bautista
502 E. 7th • 659-3991
Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.
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Wed. Prayer Meeting: 7 p.m.
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Mier. Estudio Biblico - 7 p.m.
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Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.
Worship: 10:50 a.m.
Disciple Training: 6 p.m. Sunday
Prayer Meeting: 7:30 p.m. Wednesday
Pastor - Scott Curry

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

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

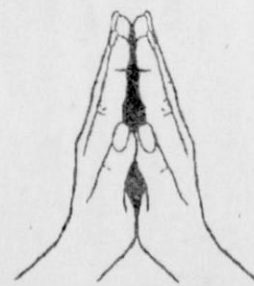
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North of Gruver
339-7709
Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.
Worship: 11 a.m.
Pastor - Paul Fiske

Gruver United Methodist
Broadway & Garrett
733-2651
Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.
Worship: 8:30 & 10:50 a.m.
Eve. Worship & UMY: 6 p.m.
Pastor - Jerry Moore

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Sunday Mass: 1:30 p.m.
Friday Evening Mass
Summer - 8:00 p.m.
Fall/Winter - 7:30 p.m.

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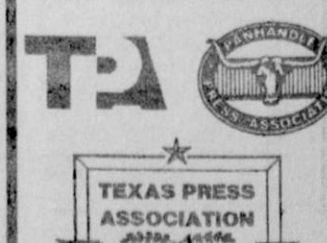
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Happy Birthday!

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

July 25
Birthday - J.B. Buchanan, Robbie Butts, Brooke Lesly, Rhonda Baker

July 26
Birthday - Raquel Matthews Whitehead, George P. Odum, P.D. Swink, Jolain Ball, Jerry Long, Nell Benton, Ronnie Bullard, Rubyo Wilbanks, Tammi Holmes, Traci Lane, Misty Payne, Cayla Smith, Oscar Valdez, Mini Largent, Dede Dellarosa, Jennifer Covington

Anniversary - Mr. & Mrs. Sergio Vaquera, Mr. & Mrs. Danny Henson, Mr. & Mrs. Robert Stayton

July 27
Birthday - Tracy Bevell, Misty Kauffman, Marvin Jones, Bobby Don Smith, Nancy McIntyre, Kay Beeson, Bob Dennis, Frank Salgado Jr., Olivia Renteria, Michael Wayne Ross, Carl Kizzar, Donny McMahan, Alice Lackey, Josh Lackey, Robin Capps, Ashley Swan, Bill Hand, Ryan Phillips, Able Eaton, Valerie Burnum, Woodrow Fulkerson

Anniversary - Bos & Sis Stator, Keith & Jodie Hight, Ed & Tanja Whitefield, Ronald & Elaine Swan, Mr. & Mrs. Owen Montgomery, Mr. & Mrs. Sonny Patterson, Tom & Beth Dortch, Jimmy & Lois Shieldknight, Mr. & Mrs. Lonnie Clemmons, Mr. & Mrs. Marlos May

July 28
Birthday - Letecia Favela, Holly Hart, Jordan Hicks, Wendy Rodriguez, Ray Gibson, Frances Williams, Jo Garcia Jr., Lee Shaver, Marlane Taylor, Maria Ochoa, Reagan Karlin, Wendy Rodriguez, Patsy Reddin, Verlin Winegarner

Anniversary - Harry & Hazel Stumph, Mr. & Mrs. Alfred Bayless, Mr. & Mrs. Ted Vela

July 29
Birthday - Macee Casdorff, Rex Ralston, Brent Stedje, Scott Stedje, Martin Ochoa Jr., Kammy Goodheart, Lucille Hagerman, Robert Graham,

Christi Close, Tracy Wilson, Kenny Red, Carol Rushing, Valorie Shields, Aaron Witten, Tanner Hand, Kristi Ramon, Jessica Montgomery, Richard Trantham, LoRee Booth, Ruth Mary Whitson, Mae Wofford, Dallas Trosper, Marlee Castillo, Tracy Burk

Anniversary - Mr. & Mrs. Jack Sparks, Teddy & Mary Lou Vela, Betty & Ron Dunaway, Mr. and Mrs. Elmo Dahl, Richey & Karen Thompson

July 30
Birthday - John Reed, Bob Skinner, Pat Tucker, Jim Nicholson, Ronda Cook, Pamela Cates, Sandra Cummings, Kara Pipkin, Raquel Saldivar, Alec Cenicerros, Alice Cook, Katie Gibson, Johnny Bennett, Joanne Graves

Anniversary - Mr. & Mrs. Davin Winger, Mr. & Mrs. Alfred Avila, Mr. & Mrs. Hoyle Holliday

July 31
Birthday - Mary Ruth Connelly, Bonnie Jones, Kathy Vanlandingham, Danna Close, Sherry Brand, Jessie Burke, Jody Harnish, Hector Nava, Mike Slater, Ronnie Lusby, Cary Collier, Cecil Biggers, Jennifer Marrs, Cody Reynolds, Nancy Garcia

Anniversary - Doug & Shannon Barnes

August 1
Birthday - Cap Benson, Lisa Link, Kyle Irwin, Frankie Leatherman, Annie Mayhew, Gyene Spivey, Benjamin Williams, Johnnie Williams, Ronnie Williams, Tommy Lovett, Jo Brown, Leann Swan, Yvonda Stokes, Anita Clemmons, Kevin Kirk, Rob Barber, Kelli McWhirter, David Swan, Jim Scarborough, Kiki West, Hershey Martin, Joyce Crooks, Alfonso Cenicerros, Larry Trosper, Patricia Quillin, Gabriel Lopez, Sara Wright

Anniversary - Mr. & Mrs. Mike Minter, Mr. & Mrs. Tommy Cathey, Jr.

August 2
Birthday - Eddie Clemmons, Mary Brock, Frosty Hickerson, Dirk Umphress, Colby Griffin, Earl Griffin, Diedra Deakin, Daniel Bort, Yuki Bort, Misty Vera, Roland Graeber, Neely Hicks, Ryan Wells

Anniversary - Mr. & Mrs. Billy Kelly, Mr. & Mrs. Larry Hays, Mr. & Mrs. Dan Ralston

Our Deepest Sympathy

MILLARD RAY TUCKER

SPEARMAN - Millard Ray Tucker, 83, died Saturday, July 20, 2002. Graveside services were at 11 a.m. Tuesday, July 23, 2002 in Hansford Cemetery with Leonard Harper and the Rev. Ken Cole officiating. Arrangements were by Boxwell Brothers Funeral Home.

Mr. Tucker was a mechanic for B&C Equipment and was employed by B&B Sales Co. for many years. He was a veteran of the Army Air Corps during World War II.

Survivors include three sisters, Mildred Sloss of Amarillo, Vi Hornsby of Spearman and Sue Sloan of Canyon; and two brothers, Wilborn Tucker of Lorenzo and Bob Tucker of Spearman.

The family suggests memorials be to Spearman Church of Christ Children's Home.

BERTHA SUMMERS MOORE

SULPHUR, OK - Services for Bertha Summers Moore, 81, Roff, were held Thursday, July 18, 2002 at 2 p.m. at the Calvary Pentecostal Holiness Church with Rev. Frank Trent officiating. Interment was at the Oaklawn Cemetery under the direction of Clagg Funeral Home.

She was born on March 5, 1921 in Stratford to Ell Summers and Iva Pearl McGee Summers. She died Monday, July 15 in Ada.

On Sept. 11, 1937 she married Henry Allen Moore in Iona. He preceded her in death on December 9, 1979.

She grew up in the Dolberg and Prairie View area. She had lived in the Hickory and Roff area for over 40 years. She was a member of Roff First Baptist Church.

She is survived by her two daughters and sons-in-law, Myrt and Byron Brakhage, Okla. City; Alpha and Paul Walsh, Roff, and a daughter, Kathy Roebuck, Sulphur; four sons and daughters-in-law, Don and Mary Moore, Spearman, Texas, David and Gloria Moore, Sulphur, Danny and Susan Moore, Alex, Darrell and Diana Moore, Roff; three brothers, Amos Summers, Roff, Sime Summers, Stroud, and Delmer Summers, Stroud; four sisters, Modell Hall, Stroud, Wanda Summers, Stroud, Willadean Austin, Shawnee, Patsy Sanders, Stroud; eight grandchildren, nine step-grandchildren, five great grandchildren; special friends, Anna Horton and Alpha Storie.

She was preceded in death by her parents, a brother, Fred Summers, three sisters, Elma Rafferty, Imogene Byron, and her twin, Beryl Summers.

Pallbearers will be Joe Sledd, Marvin Lee, Jerry King, Alvin Tidwell, Howard Wilburn and Bob Penrod.

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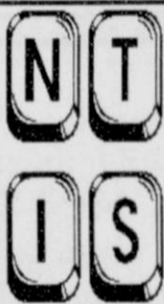
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HANSFORD HAPPENINGS

Panhandle Crisis Center Outreach Office
Panhandle Crisis Center (PCC) now has an Outreach Office in the Pittman-Shieldknight Building, 511 SW 11th Avenue, Suite 105, in Spearman. An Outreach Caseworker is scheduled to be at that location each Wednesday and Thursday, and Children's Advocate, Marsha Neely, will continue to be in Spearman each weekday. In case of emergencies, please continue to call the hotline, 1-800-753-5308. To schedule an appointment with a worker in Hansford County, please call 659-3391 to leave a message, or call the hotline number above. Panhandle Crisis Center serves victims of domestic violence and sexual assault. Please call for more information regarding PCC's services.

Medical Fund Established for Melissa (Robinson) Vasquez
A medical fund has been established at First State Bank for Melissa (Robinson) Vasquez. Melissa has been diagnosed with cancer. Donations may be sent to First State Bank, Melissa Vasquez Fund, 1 NE Court, Spearman, TX 79081.

Gruver First Christian Church Cookbooks
The Gruver First Christian Church cookbooks are in and for sale at a price of \$10.00. The proceeds from the cookbooks are going to help defray the medical expenses of David and Hershelene Turner. Contact Sandra Gumfory 733-2960, Pat Bratton 733-2287, Pat Morley 733-2626 or Alice Peddy 733-2289 to place your order.

Check Out Your Closets!
The Spearman band department is looking for instruments that have been checked out to students over the past 10 years. With the amount of director turnover, it was hard to keep up with check-outs and some instruments were not returned. If your child was in band, check under the beds and in the back of the closet for a lost instrument. Maybe you have an instrument they have forgotten about. If you do, please return it to the office at the high school or junior high. Thanks, and good hunting!

Win A Hand-made Windmill Quilt
The ladies of the Golden Spread Senior Citizen's Center are auctioning a hand-made windmill quilt. Tickets are \$2.00 each, or 3 for \$5.00. The quilt may be viewed at the O'Loughlin Center, 502 S. Brandt. The date of the drawing will be July 26, 2002.

Golden Spread Senior Center Radio Auction Nears
The Golden Spread Senior Center Radio Auction will be held July 25th and 26th. The Senior Center is seeking donations for this year's auction. Donations may be brought to the O'Loughlin Center. Items being accepted include old vehicles, furniture, arts and crafts, etc. We are very sorry that we will be unable to accept used clothing. For more information, contact Kathy Bryant at 659-3030.

National Multiple Sclerosis Society Announces MS Walk
The National Multiple Sclerosis Society, Panhandle Division is pleased to announce this year's Moore County MS Walk. The Panhandle Division serves some 640 MS families in the Texas and Oklahoma panhandles and the four eastern counties of New Mexico. The event will be held on Saturday, September 28, 2002, with registration beginning at 8:30 a.m. and the walk getting underway at 10 a.m. The first Moore County MS Walk was held last year, raising in excess of \$18,000. The walk concludes with a great hamburger cookout as a small token of thanks to all the walkers and volunteers. Ralph Bynum, the MS Walk Coordinator, extends a cordial invitation to everyone in Hansford County to join Dumas, Sunray, Cactus/Etter, Stratford and Dalhart walkers in this year's fundraising effort. Details for forming a Walk Team and other volunteer activities can be obtained by contacting Bynum in Dumas at 935-4208, Kevin Bynum at 659-2162, or the Amarillo office of the National Multiple Sclerosis Society at 468-7500. An organizational meeting will be held on Tuesday, July 23rd. Anyone who is interested in participating is urged to attend. Please call Kevin Bynum at 659-2162 for the time and place of the meeting.

Hansford County Library Memorial Fund Established
A Memorial Fund has been set up at the Hansford County Library 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 659-2231.

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Hansford County Librarian Sheri Benton (Center) is pictured above with Brooke Walker (Left) and Kyla Walker (Right). They are the winners of the annual bookmark contest.

Library Booknotes

by Sheri Benton

We have completed our summer reading club for 2002 here at Hansford County Library. For the past five years, Cindy Blackman, Community Resource Coordinator, and I have worked together on this program. This year we had approximately fifty children participate in each Tuesday's activities. This year's theme, "Read Across Texas," was a lot of fun! We talked about our Spanish heritage in Texas, cowboys, Indians, Texas animals, Texas history and many other interesting things about our state.

We held our annual bookmark contest, and this year's winners happened to be sisters. Kyla and Brooke Walker are the daughters of Steve and Leanna Walker of Spearman. Kyla is seven and Brooke is five. Each of them did a very creative bookmark depicting the theme "Read Across Texas." The bookmarks have been submitted to Amarillo for printing, but usually do not arrive in our library until sometime in September.

Our library will be upgrading our computer system during the month of August, so we will be experiencing some down time. The entire Harrington Library Consortium is getting a new circulation system and online catalog, so this is quite an undertaking. We hope that our patrons will be patient with us during this conversion since the end product will help us to serve you better. We will try to post any down times on our doors and will notify the public via the newspaper and radio when time permits. Hopefully, this process will go smoothly, and down times will be held to a minimum.

Thank You!

KIDS KAMP would like to take this time to thank the following people for helping to make this summer program a success: Rick Smith, Greg Gibson, Brian Beck, Jerry Bass, Jay Lamb, Gary Ellsworth, Mandy Manning, Tashi Schumann, Michel Huffaker, Crystal Alvarado, Sheri Benton, Cecilia Foster, Margaret Ruttman, Peggy Winegarner, Karen Babitzke, Skeeter Huffaker, Janet Torres, Jake Burch, Edith Volden, Fabian Silva, Bob & Claudine Hardy, Claudine Clark, Pat Dear, Jo McLaughlin, Diane Maxwell, Karen Thompson, Meg Woolley, Delinda McLaughlin, Lisa Short, Mandy Derington, Denise Harbour, Spearman High School Cheerleaders, Kyle Short, KRDF-FM Radio, Reporter-Statesman, City of Spearman/Lifeguards, Ruby Burger and Rita Duncan.

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Hightower, Marquez Wed



Mrs. Joseph Marquez

Allison Britt Hightower of Sunray and Joseph Patrick Marquez of Amarillo were married Saturday, July 20, at Sunray Baptist Church in Sunray. The Rev. David White of Fort Worth officiated.

The bride is the daughter of Joanie and Phil Hightower of Sunray. Grandparents of the bride are Allen and Paula Hightower of MacDowell, Mo., who attended the wedding, Della and Ward Hobbs of Maxwell, N.M., and the late Dave Rich.

Parents of the groom are Ana Maria Marquez of Gruver and the late Margarito Marquez.

Matron of honor was Esmeralda McDowell of Sunray. Bridal attendants were Cuca Hobson of Houston, Danelle Mangelsdorf of Albuquerque, N.M., Tracy Moore of Wolfthor, Sandi Rich of Alva, Okla., and Cristy Morales of Gruver.

Best man was Tony Stewart of Irving. Groom's attendants were Lee Herrera of Amarillo, Morgan Hightower of Wheeler, Moe Hobson of Houston, Rogelio Morales of Gruver and Russ Royval of San Antonio.

Flower girl was Jacy Beam. Ring

bearer was Reece Hobson, nephew of the groom.

Candlelighters were Nikki and Kami Shanks. Guestbook attendants were Holly and Heather Cardenas, cousins of the bride. Wedding program attendants were Tammy Luksich and Amanda Raines, cousins of the bride. Wedding favors were given to guests by Anique Hobson, niece of the groom, and Kristen Raines, cousin of the bride.

James and Connie Walker sang "From This Moment On" as Amy Drinnon lit a candle in the altar in memory of the bride's brother, Matthew Ryan Hightower and pilot Scoop Smith. They also sang "The Parent's Prayer" for the seating of the parents and "The Only One I Love" during the lighting of the unity candle.

The colors were navy and white. The bride chose an arrangement of mixed summer flowers as her bouquet. She also carried her brother Matthew's childhood Bible.

The wedding reception was held at Sunray Baptist Church Fellowship Hall. Reception attendants were Kim Scott of Austin, Yuki Bort of Canyon, Krista Hazlett and Trudy Hazlett, both of Amarillo.

The bride is a graduate of Sunray High School. She attended West Texas A&M University in Canyon. She works for Farm Bureau of Amarillo.

The groom is a graduate of Gruver High School. He attended WT and is the manager of Rentway in Amarillo.

The couple plan a honeymoon to Florida. They will reside in Amarillo.

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Hightower, Marquez Wed



Mrs. Jason Ward

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Maid of honor was Cayla Simon, sister of the bride. Bridal attendants were Tara Gardiner, Weslyn Thacker, Rebekah Eckols, and Monica Ward.

Best man was Travis Ferguson, life-long friend of the groom. Groom's attendants were Quentin Harper, Sammy Renteria, Tommy Lovell, and Jonathon Kirby.

Flower girl was Callie Dumbauld, and ring bearers were Nick and Clay Dumbauld. Wedding party members were Julie Bailey, Laura Christensen, Jill Odom, Lindsey Simon, Amanda Simon, Robyn McClure, and Jessica McClure. Ushers were Wylee Maupin, Brad Thacker, and Lee Ray III.

The wedding reception was held at the O'Loughlin Center in Spearman, Texas.

The bride is a graduate of Texas Tech University with a Bachelor of Art and Science degree in Interdisciplinary Studies.

The groom graduate from Texas Tech University with a Master of Science degree in Agriculture and Applied Economics. He is a market analyst for Stapleco in Greenwood, Mississippi.

The couple honeymooned in Playa del Carmen in Mexico. They will reside in Greenwood, Mississippi.

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Among The Neighbors

by Helen Fisher

It was a pleasure to have Anne Northcutt of Amarillo for a visit one afternoon this week. She and Pat had been at their place near Spearman for a few days.

They had been traveling on the west coast, making some extended stays. Prior to their western trip, they had toured several states on the Gulf and east coast.

A fun time was that shared at the home of Dorothy Buzzard on July 16th at a potluck luncheon. Sisters of the Hester family, of which Dorothy is one, and sisters of the Harbour family gathered for a time of reminiscing.

The families were neighbors when the girls were children and all attended the Lackey school. It was a neighborhood school in the vicinity. The older girls rode horses to school, but by the time the younger ones started a bus was in use.

Remembering childhood escapades and school activities caused the afternoon to pass quickly. From all the giggling, it sounded like they were still schoolgirls. The Harbour sisters are Mary

Nell Webster of New Carlisle, Ohio; May Lee Smith of Perryton; Avis Smith of Dimmitt; and Jerry Beth Johnson of Lynchburg, Virginia.

Hester sisters are Dorothy Buzzard, Betty Scribner and Doris Beck, all of Spearman. One sister, Mona Beth Windom, is deceased.

A.V. "Smokey" Mayfield underwent surgery for four heart bypasses at Baptist St.-Anthony's on July 11th.

He is recovering at home as he was able to leave the hospital this past Friday. Under the watchful eye of wife, Mary, he is making good progress. Another caretaker is his daughter, Diane Reed of Anchorage, Alaska, who came for the surgery.

Maxine Banister was delighted to have her grandson, Bret Banister, his wife and two daughters as overnight guests last week. They live in Austin. He is the son of Maxine's eldest, P.K., deceased.

Dorothy Buzzard had out-of-town guests when her brother, J.D.

and Winifred Hester of Texline visited. Doris Beck, Betty Scribner and daughter Patti Butts joined them as did her son, Ray and Cindy Scribner. Jeni Hester, J.D. and Winifred's daughter, held their attention relating some of her experiences as a Baptist missionary in Columbia.

It has been an interesting week for Frances Kilgore here with daughters Margot Simms of Hereford and Kate Sanders of Midland visiting. Of special interest was cousin Jeni Hester of Columbia, South America, who was here with her parents J.D. and Winifred Hester of Texline, as well as other relatives from various localities.

Johnnie and John Lee are noticing the quiet in their home. They have had company since July 4th, all welcome and enjoyable.

Joan's sister, Winifred and J.D. Hester of Texline, and daughter Jeni arrived first. Sada Ruth and Howard Long, their daughter Sara Beth and daughter Stephanie, all of Bartlesville, Oklahoma arrived soon after.

Charley of Jolinda Marshal with their two daughters and one son from Cedar Lake were here for the week.

The Lee's other daughter, Johnetta and Larry Boyles and three girls have returned from Belgium and are living near San Antonio.

All were eager to hear about Jeni's work. She is a Baptist missionary and nurse practitioner on leave from Columbia, South America. Her ministry is to the pitiful population that have been deprived of their homes and livelihoods by the drug lords and have trekked to the missionary headquarters. They have no homes, no work, and no food.

Sada Ruth and Howard Long, visiting the windmill park, were impressed with the tile and brick entrance and ordered a tile in memory of their son, Howard Dean, who passed away last Christmas.

The Lee's son, Dr Jock of Fritch and a friend, Jan Elliott, treated the Lees and Longs to a barbecue dinner and then a performance of "Lone Star Rising."

Don and Mary Moore were in Ada, Oklahoma a few days the first of the week for the funeral services of his mother, Mrs. Bertha Moore. Other family members going from Spearman were son Jesse Browning and his family, and a granddaughter, Redonna Moore and Dale Browning.

Mrs Bertha Moore, having had a long illness, was able to attend her family reunion held in Ada on the 14th.

Don and Mary Moore were enroute to Beaumont to visit her brother, and to visit another son in Waco when they received word of her passing.

Joe Copeland is having a most pleasant week with her family here. Joe Lynn and Bob Leland came from Las Vegas a week ago Saturday. Bob had to go to Kansas City this past Sunday, but will return Tuesday.

Joe's son and his family, Kim, Velma and Kitt Copeland, arrived from Austin on Saturday and will be here this week.

Millard Tucker, 83, who passed away on Saturday, was a familiar figure in Spearman for several decades.

Many made his acquaintance when he managed Spearman's only bowling alley; others with his work as a mechanic. In later years, when his health permitted, he did mechanical and yard work. In all occupations he was conscientious, dependable and accommodating.

His last months were pain stricken, and through it all, he had the devoted care of his sister, VI, and nephews.

Somehow the words of the long ago poet, more than our words, fits Millard.

"Toiling, rejoicing, sorrowing, onward thru life he goes!

Each morning sees some task begin, each evening sees it close. Something attempted, something done, has earned a night's repose." Millard has earned his repose.

Dwayne's weather report for the week of July 15th through 7 a.m. on the 22nd: the high was on Sunday the 21st at 101; the low was on the 15th at 64; moisture - a cloudburst of .03 on the 21st.

Dwayne (no weather prophet) is said to be privately advising the wearing of bikinis the coming week.

Out At The Lake

by Dorothy Hudson

Lake Depth--July 22, 1902--33.51 feet

Last Monday through Friday 70 Cub Scouts met daily at the Park on the North. They were accompanied by leaders who had the group well organized. For instance, while some were being taught to fish at the Kid's Pond, others made and learned to use slingshots, and still others learned archery skills or ran the obstacle course.

Other groups did tie-dyed T-shirts or made bracelets using beads. Friday evening the parents were invited for a cookout to complete the week. The scouts were from the Lone Wolf District which includes Spearman, Booker, and Perryton.

One of the regular fishermen, Joe Olivarez of Waka had a nice catch last weekend. While fishing in the creek above the bridge and using minnows for bait, he caught crappie, channel cats and blue cats. Several of the fishermen were again fishing at night.

The Dwayne Mitchell family reserved the shelter last Saturday for a family reunion.

The West Texas Sam's Club had 6 campers for a three-day weekend, and the Baker Family Reunion also had 6 campers, but they stayed from Thursday to Tuesday. Most of them were first time campers here.

The largest group ever booked at the North Park, The Top of Texas Moose Club, has reserved all 26 RV hookups; they expect a few RVs to double up and some folks to use tents. Two of the Clubs involved are from Amarillo, one from Pampa, and one from Spearman. They expect visitors from down state, too. One of the advance party is already camping with a 10 day reservation.

The main group are to come Thursday and leave Sunday. Earl Spencer, who was the chief welder when he worked for the PDWA some years ago, has given Jim a sack of corn for the feed box. Thanks, Earl. Gifts of grain are always welcome.

Our son-in-law, Kenneth Harris dry sowed a quarter section of milo northwest of Gruver toward the last of June. Some time later after a rain, he checked to see how it looked. To his surprise he found most of it had been dug out and eaten. John Gibson suggested the pheasant from an adjoining CRP field were the likely culprits. The grain had been treated with a strong-smelling insecticide. Sowed about an inch deep in loose dry soil, the odor must have given away the location of each grain. This story makes me wonder if we have had a sizable pheasant hatch this year.

Pringle-Morse 5th Graders Participate In Soil and Water Conservation Learning Day

submitted by Dana Coldiron, Social Studies teacher, Morse

Pringle-Morse CISD fifth graders recently participated in a day of learning and adventure sponsored by Hutchinson County Soil and Water Conservation District and the Natural Resource Conservation Service. Fifth graders from Spring Creek and West Texas Elementary also participated.

Students were led in an examination and comparison of windbreaks. The first windbreak viewed was only a few years old. Explanation was given as to the arrangement and layout of the different trees, shrubs, and other vegetation. The students were then taken to another windbreak that was planted approximately thirty years ago. They were amazed at the size of the trees and how they were able to protect the home from wind and snow.

Next students visited the Holt community school house. Two former students of the school treated the fifth graders to talks about their lives and growing up in the Holt community. They had wonderful stories to share about the school and the surrounding area.

The final stop of the day was at Jenkins Canyon. Expecting to get a mysterious historical answer, one of the students asked why they called it Jenkins Canyon. He was told that they were calling it Jenkins Canyon because Mr. Jenkins is the owner of the land. The students hiked two miles down into the canyon with their guide explaining everything from rock formations to eagle nests.

Everyone enjoyed the last event of the day as they ate outside and enjoyed the sunshine. Hamburger patties were cooked outside over an open flame and the students and sponsors were treated to a hamburger feast served with all the trimmings. McCloy Feedlot (Thane and Rex McCloy) donated hamburger meat, Coca-Cola donated drinks, United of Borger donated hamburger buns, and Thriftway of Fritch donated chips. Panhandle Portables donated portable potties.

The students enjoyed the two hour hike and cookout and learned some wonderful new information and facts, which was made obvious by the conversation on the bus ride back to the school.

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The Gruver Grapevine

by Harletta Caribel

Interim Superintendent Named
Joel Lynch of Fritch was named interim superintendent of Gruver schools at a special meeting of the Gruver ISD Board of Trustees Monday, July 17.

Board members present for the meeting included Jody Irwin, Paul Stavlo, Terry Sherrill, Benny Wilson, and Davin Winger.

Absent were members Mike Yanke and David Bergin. Board member Yanke arrived later at 6:40 p.m.

Visitors received were Joel Lynch, Diane Brown, Matt Branstine, Mike King, and Steve Myatt.

Two motions were passed in the meeting, the motion to accept the resignation of David Bergin as a Gruver ISD board member passed by a 5-0 vote while the motion to employ Lynch as interim superintendent passed by a 6-0 vote. The meeting which began at 6:15 p.m. adjourned at 7:29 p.m.

The next regular meeting of the board is slated for Tuesday, August 13.

Interim Role Explained

Joel Lynch of Fritch brings a lifetime of educational experience to his role as interim superintendent of Gruver schools.

Having a 27 year association with the Phillips School District, Lynch was also associated with

the PSP (Plemmons/Stinnett/Phillips) School District from 1987 until his retirement in 1994.

Since his retirement, Lynch has served as interim superintendent at Sanford-Fritch, Sunray, and Spearman. He will serve in the same capacity at Gruver Schools until a new superintendent is found.

According to Lynch there are several ways for schools to find new superintendents.

The GISD Board of Trustees may advertise themselves for a new helm master, they may choose to have the Texas Association of School Boards (TASB) to help in the search, or they may use a private agency to aid in their quest.

If the school board uses the TASB for assistance, the TASB will conduct a needs assessment for the position by talking with school board members, educators, and citizens of Gruver to discover what characteristics and qualities are desired in a successful candidate. Taking those findings, the TASB will create a profile of the type of individual needed and then compile a list of candidates which "fill the bill" to present to the school board.

The school board would then narrow the field down of prospective candidates to a workable number and do intense research before interviewing the finalists.

If the board of trustees chooses this method of selection, Lynch foresees a 4-6 month period to fill the vacancy left by the resignation of Superintendent Laura Blasingame.

Lynch states that he is currently "doing all the usual" to prepare for the start of the school year.

"I enjoy working with the smaller school district of this area," Lynch said.

"I am fortunate to become interim superintendent with a full staff already in place. Now I just have to connect the dots to get school started," Lynch said.

Get Well Wishes

J. C. Harris is recuperating at Craig Methodist Retirement Community in Amarillo.

Marilyn Been is undergoing physical therapy following knee replacement surgery.

Andy Burleson, who was scheduled for other testing, underwent bypass surgery on Monday.

Evan Schmidt was medivaced to Amarillo on Friday evening following a bull riding accident at the Gruver Rodeo. He returned home on Monday afternoon with two weeks of rest prescribed by his doctor.

Robert Avent, the brother of Mary Jo Robinson, is in rehab in Plano following treatment for brain cancer at MD Anderson Hospital.

Gruver Youths Compete in 3-on-3 Contest

Several Gruver youths competed in the three-on-three basketball competition in Amarillo last week.

Competing in the girls 12 and under age division was the team of Katie Gibson, Leigh Ann Winger, Breanne Jordan, and Mattie Yanke.

In the boys 12 and under division, the team of Taylor Williams, Miles Messer, Matt Salazar, and Drew Mireles took third place.

A Gruver girls team in the 14 and under division composed of Jessica Vela, Victoria Vela, Kelli Jones, and Liz Lopez won fourth place.

Taking second place in the very competitive contest in the boys 14 and under division were Tucker Williams, Crispin Borunda, Rhett Renner, and Collin Gillaspie.

Sympathy Extended

The condolences of the community are extended to Julie Logsdon in the loss of her grandmother Etheline Pollard of Amarillo.

The community's prayers are also with Sarah and Wesley Miser in the loss of their father David Miser.

Gruver All Stars Capture Third

The Gruver 11 and 12 year-old All Star baseball team came away with a third place finish in the Dumas Tournament.

Members of the team are Chandler Miner, Taylor Williams,

Miles Messer, Seth Thompson, Anselmo Trejo, Arturo Trejo, Jordan Hicks, Caleb Abernathy, and Ray David Gaspar. The team is coached by Ty Williams and Dewayne Thompson.

Tucker Williams and Matt Messer were members of a Spearman All Star team that also competed at the tourney.

Hottest Day Recorded

Sunday, July 21, tied for the hottest day of 2002 with 98 degrees recorded at Gruver City Hall.

Football Parents Meeting

GHS Head Football Coach Bruce Bryant and his staff will meet with parents of all high school football players Monday, August 5, at 6:30 p.m. in the high school library.

High school football workouts will also begin Monday, August 5, at 7:00 a.m.

New Student Registration

Students new to the Gruver School District Monday, August 12.

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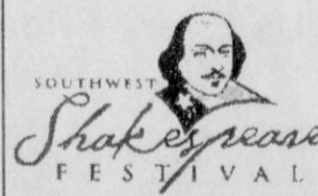
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Vatican Exhibit is Awe Inspiring

by Rep. Larry Combest's

I recently had the opportunity to view the collection of Vatican artworks exhibited at the Museum of Texas Tech, and I am still in awe at the beauty the artworks hold. I highly encourage anyone who has not taken the opportunity to see the exhibit to do so before these international treasures leave West Texas.

This marks the first time that these priceless works have left their home country of Italy, and they will return to the Vatican Museums after their display in Lubbock.

Their journey to Lubbock has been long. Preparations to bring the exhibit to Lubbock began 14 years ago. The tireless efforts of people including Father Malcolm Neyland and other community officials eventually convinced Vatican Museum officials to procure the exhibit to Lubbock. The exhibit will remain open to the public through September 15.

The exhibit consists of 31 medieval frescoes created by master painters of the Roman School during the 12th and 13th Centuries. These priceless works of art were originally painted on drying plaster, which became part of the Roman churches of St. Agnese outside the Walls and St. Nicola in Carcere. The works have recently been cleaned to revive the colors their creators originally intended, and which many Romans likely appreciated hundreds of years ago. In viewing frescoes and the other items included in the exhibit, a person cannot help but be awestruck by their brilliance. Art historians say that these medieval paintings, that we can all appreciate for their

intrinsic beauty, have much farther-reaching significance.

These works were created at a time when few people could read; therefore, artwork was one of the important media through which stories were told. The events and people portrayed in the paintings remind us, as they did the people who admired them 900 years ago, of the morality lessons crucial for a responsible and constructive society.

The paintings also are important in what they represent artistically. Art historians suggest that the frescoes were done by students in the Roman School, which was believed to be strongly influenced by Petro Cavallini, an important Italian painter and mosaic designer.

The exhibit of important works of art reflects well on Lubbock and the people who devoted so much effort to bringing them to residents on the

South Plains. Lubbock is today a place of international importance. The Vatican Museums in Rome has never before exhibited this collection of frescoes. Securing these priceless artworks in Lubbock for residents and visitors to see this summer is a remarkable accomplishment for Lubbock. I believe that all who see this exhibit will cherish the experience, as I have, and it is a historic occasion for us to enjoy some of the world's treasures with our families and friends.

It has been a privilege to work with the Vatican Exhibit Foundation and many others to bring this amazing exhibit to West Texas. I had the opportunity to participate in numerous events this week celebrating the Vatican

exhibit's opening and, throughout the process of bringing these priceless artworks to Lubbock, I have had the pleasure of helping with numerous visas and passports and acting as a liaison to the Customs Service and the State Department. The Vatican exhibit is truly an example of the Lubbock community pulling together to accomplish a world-class, cultural event.

I encourage everyone to take advantage of this great opportunity and travel to the Museum of Texas Tech University to see the internationally important works of art that might never again be displayed on American soil.

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vs.
Defendants: Willard McCloy and Beatrice McCloy
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R.L. McFarlin, Jr.
Hansford County Sheriff
By: Lance A. Swan
Hansford County Deputy
2(7-25-02)B

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Manor Residents Participate In New Fitness Program



Hansford Manor Residents are participating in a new fitness program. Pictured above is Ina Soapes (Front) as she rides a stationary bicycle. Restorative staff members are (Back, L-R) Cindy Beck, Sheila Moore and Angie Salgado.

Hansford Manor, in partnership with West Texas A&M University, is developing a fitness program at Hansford Manor with the goal of helping residents maintain their physical abilities, speed their recovery after an illness, and improve balance and coordination in order to reduce their risk of falling.

The University's Department of Sports and Exercise Sciences is placing some of their students in regional facilities to assist them in developing exercise programs with special populations. For six weeks this summer, Jan Kiilsgaard, an athletic trainer who is working on her Master's Degree at the University, has been working with Hansford Manor staff and residents in developing the fitness program.

The University's participation comes at an ideal time, with Hansford Manor starting up its program this month. The Manor has a long-standing restorative program; the restorative staff, consisting of Sheila Moore, RN, Cindy Sasser, CNA, and Angie Salgado, CNA, have worked with Kiilsgaard to develop policies and procedures that will promote the residents' maximum benefit, while maintaining their safety.

Research with the elderly population has demonstrated that even small gains in flexibility, strength, and balance can have tremendous benefits and may help lessen the effects of several chronic diseases. It is anticipated that this collaboration will result in mutual benefits to the intern and to the Manor.



Officer Greg Martin recently resigned from the Spearman Police Department to move to Galveston where he will be working at Nasa Boeing. He and his wife Becky lived in Spearman for the past three years.

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