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Weekly Update

Texas, August 6 - Average retail gasoline prices in Texas have risen 6.5 cents per gallon in the past week, averaging \$3.40/g yesterday. This compares with the national average that has increased 9.3 cents per gallon in the last week to \$3.60/g, according to gasoline price website TexasGasPrices.com.

Including the change in gas prices in Texas during the past week, prices yesterday were 15.4 cents per gallon lower than the same day one year ago and are 22.1 cents per gallon higher than a month ago. The national average has increased 19.1 cents per gallon during the last month and stands 6.5 cents per gallon lower than this day one year ago.

"Watching the national average last week, one might have expected war broke out in the Middle East or a major hurricane shutting down production, neither of which happened, yet gasoline prices spiked," said GasBuddy.com Senior Petroleum Analyst Patrick DeHaan. "The scary thought is what may happen to gasoline prices should one of the two actually take place. The Great Lakes was hosed with refinery issues and a major oil pipeline issue, and while other regions saw increases, they paled in comparison to those in the Great Lakes states. The good news for motorists is that the end to the summer driving season and change to winter-spec fuel is in view, which will likely put downward pressure on gasoline prices," DeHaan said.

GasBuddy operates TexasGasPrices.com, and over 225 other local gasoline pricetracking websites that follow prices at over 125,000 gasoline stations in the United States and Canada. GasBuddy also uses Facebook (facebook.com/gasbuddy) Twitter (twitter.com/gasbuddy), and phone apps to keep motorists ahead of changing gasoline prices.

Weather Forecast

WEDNESDAY NIGHT - Mostly clear. Lows in the upper 60s. Northeast winds 10 to 15 mph shifting to the north around 5 mph after midnight.

THURSDAY - Mostly sunny. Highs in the upper 90s. Northwest winds 5 to 10 mph shifting to the northeast 10 to 15 mph in the afternoon.

THURSDAY NIGHT - Mostly clear. Lows in the mid 60s. East winds 10 to 15 mph.

FRIDAY - Mostly sunny. Highs in the upper 90s.

FRIDAY NIGHT - Partly cloudy. Lows in the upper 60s.

SATURDAY - Partly cloudy. Highs in the upper 90s.

SATURDAY NIGHT - Partly cloudy with a 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Lows around 70.

SUNDAY - Partly cloudy. Highs in the upper 90s.

SUNDAY NIGHT - Partly cloudy with a 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Lows around 70.

MONDAY - Partly cloudy. Highs in the upper 90s.

MONDAY NIGHT - Partly cloudy. Lows around 70.

TUESDAY - Partly cloudy. Highs in the upper 90s.

Read more: <http://www.city-data.com/forecast/w-Spearman-Texas.html#ixzz2vZU2XxR>

Texas Crop & Weather

The following specific livestock, crop and weather conditions were reported by Panhandle Extension directors for August 7, 2012: Conditions remained hot and dry with temperatures at or above 100 degrees most of the week. Some areas received rain, from 0.16 inch to 2 inches. Soil-moisture levels were very short to adequate, with most counties reporting very short to short. Corn was in very poor to good condition, with most reporting fair. Most of the early planted corn was in fair shape, but later-planted corn was suffering as irrigation water had to be shared with other crops. Some cornfields were abandoned due to drought conditions. Cotton was in very poor to excellent condition with most reporting fair. Irrigated cotton was in good shape with little insect pressure. Dryland cotton, however, was barely holding on under the extreme temperatures. Rangeland and pastures were in very poor to excellent condition with most reporting very poor to poor. Due to lack of wind to run windmills, some cattlemen in some areas had to haul water to livestock. Some cattlemen were taking advantage of the emergency Conservation Reserve Program grazing. Cow/calf producers who still had cattle were feeding hay and culling herds and shipping calves.

Spearman Community Supports Wounded Hero

As a show of support, the people of Spearman have come together to support their hometown hero, Sgt. 1st Class Jeremy Frost.

The 22-year-old was injured when he stepped on an IED in Afghanistan on Friday, July 6, 2012. As a result he lost his left leg from just below the knee down, fractured his left hip and his right leg, suffered a ruptured left ear drum that will require surgery to try and restore hearing to that ear, and a mild traumatic brain injury.

Rick and Jan Howard, Jeremy's parents-in-law, are selling Wounded Warrior t-shirts to raise money for Jeremy and Kylee. Rick says that this was the community's idea and the response has included help from Perryton, Beaver, and Guyton to mention a few places.

The t-shirts have Frost's dog tags on the front and the words "Wounded, Not Defeated" on the back as well as the Bible verse, Jeremiah 19:11. (Jeremiah is Jeremy's full first name.)

Jeremy is married to Kylee Howard

Frost. He is the son of Stacie and Glenn Ruga of Spearman and Matthew Frost of Amarillo. He has three younger brothers, Dustin Frost who is also serving in the Army, and Patrick and Nathan Ruga. Kylee is the daughter of Jan and Rick Howard of Spearman.

For individuals who would like to honor this young man and his sacrifice, there is a fund set up for him at the First National Bank of Spearman under his name, Jeremy Frost. (The Army will cover Jeremy's medical expenses. This fund was established by friends of Jeremy and Kylee to help defray the costs incurred during his recovery, and to allow Kylee to spend as much time as possible with Jeremy while he is in the hospital and in physical therapy.)

A raffle was held for \$250 gas from Spearman Farm Supply to benefit the Jeremy Frost Benefit Fund. The drawing was held August 4th and the winner was Patty Spoonemore.

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Sgt. 1st Class Jeremy Frost

Haile Named 2012 Texas Peacemaker of the Year

Sheriffs' Association of Texas 134th Annual Training Conference was held July 21st-24th in Dallas.

The Sheriffs of Texas began Annual Training Conferences in 1878. These Training Conferences today are the largest composite gathering of law enforcement officers in Texas.

The conference offers informative General Sessions, often taught by National Speakers, to specialized topics in the concurrent training sessions allowing attendants the opportunity to gain valuable information on technology, issues and problems facing Texas Peace Officers today.

The Awards Dinner was held on Tuesday, July 24th at 6:30 p.m. Among the awards presented was the Texas Peacemaker Award, which was presented to Sherman County Sheriff Jack Haile.

The Texas Peacemaker award was established to honor a law enforcement professional that has exemplified, over their lifetime of public service, an extraordinary dedication to the public good and community which they have served and whose approach to law enforcement has been not only to maintain order-but bring justice. In support of the common good, the recipient must have endeavored to bring out the best in people, to recognize

the dignity of others, to serve as role model and mentor for the younger generation of law enforcement officers, to go beyond being a lawman, and to unite as well as protect.

This award was established in honor of the late Tieman H. Dippel, who served as Sheriff of Washington County from November 5, 1940 - January 1, 1961, and is funded by Brenham National Bank. The

award consists of an engraved plaque, State Resolution and two \$500 scholarships given by SAT in the recipient's name.

Jack is married to Barbara Haile. They have two children, Evan Haile of Dallas and Luke Haile, a student at WTA&M in Canyon. Jack is the son of Dorothy Haile of Stratford.

In Recommendation of Jack Haile

by Rev. Gary C. Smith, Minister, First Christian Church of Stratford

I am writing this as an endorsement and recommendation of Jack Haile for the Texas Peacemaker Award.

Haile is a lifelong citizen of Sherman County, Texas, the place where he currently serves as sheriff. Currently, because Jack is retiring this fall.

There was genuine sadness in the community when Haile announced his retirement.

When speaking of his retirement, I have yet to hear one person who has not lamented the "leaving" of our "beloved sheriff."

But, Haile will continue serving people regardless of his employment circumstances. He has a genuine concern for people.

I have heard him say numerous times that he was not so much a law enforcement officer as he was a "peacemaker." Perhaps, the reason for this is that he is genuinely a man of faith.

Jesus said, "Blessed are the peacemakers." I cannot help believing that Jack is a person who is blessed.

If asked to describe Jack, I would say that he is honorable, noble, strong and kind.

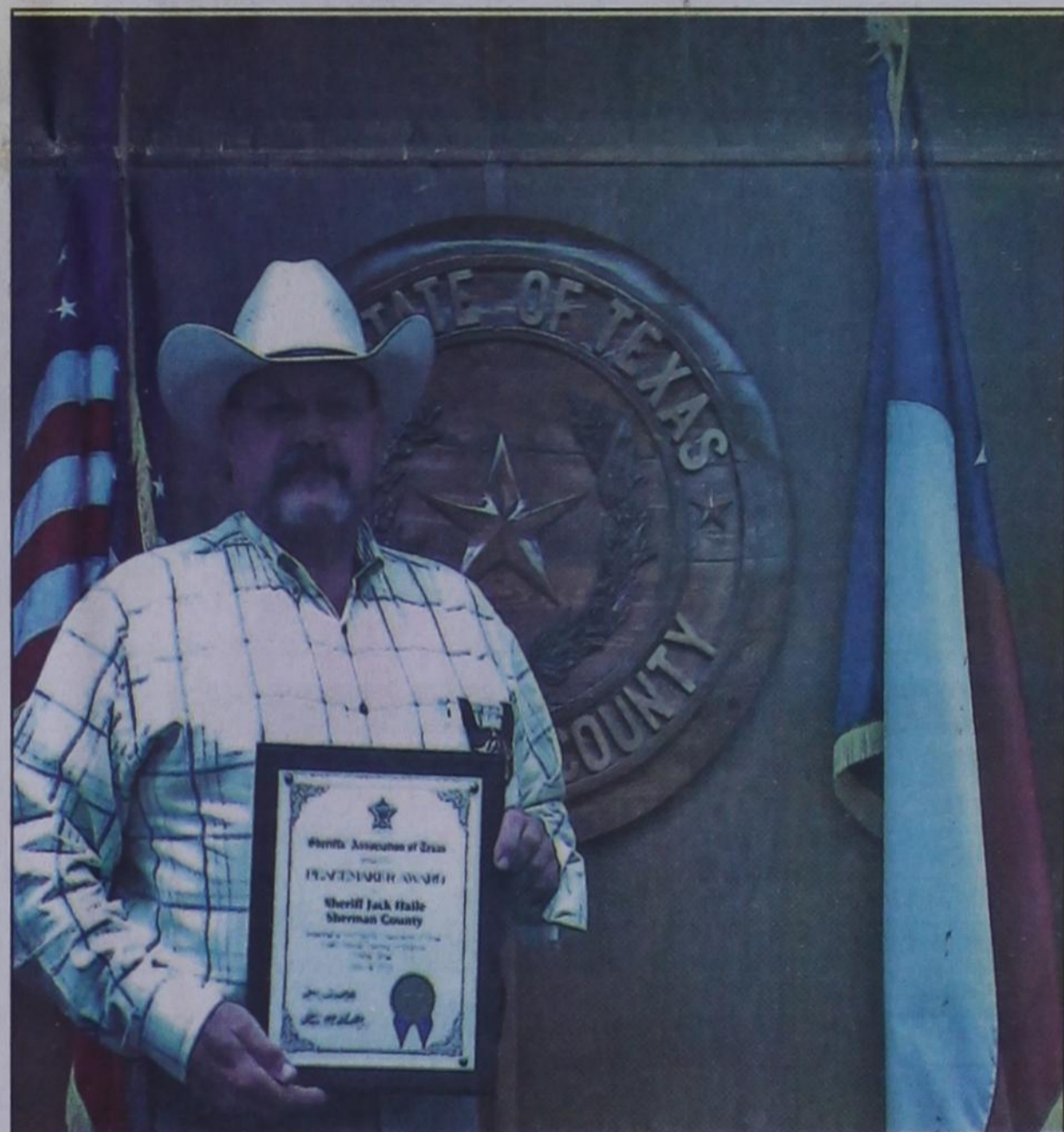
I think that one of the things that has made him so successful in his career is his disarming personality. He has this remarkable capacity to cause people to like and trust him. He is also a world class storyteller.

The people of this community have trusted him to protect their property and their lives. We have not been disappointed.

It would be unfair to speak of Jack without saying something about his family. His influence on them has encouraged them all to be servants to others.

I have known Jack as a friend and a parishioner. I have personally said, many times, "I wish that there were more people like Jack."

Jack Haile is a man of sterling character.



Sherman County Sheriff Jack Haile
2012 Texas Peacemaker Award Recipient

In Recommendation of Jack Haile

by Stephanie Wright, Dispatcher/Jailer, Sherman County Sheriff's Office

Many times people dismiss small agencies and their sheriffs but fail to understand that small counties have the exact same problems as large agencies, yet have fewer people to handle them. Sheriff Jack Haile has had to do it all: patrol officer, public relations officer, transport officer, jailer, dispatcher, bailiff, personnel director, civil process, and he is responsible for his office's budget each year. Many times during the past twenty-four years he has been the only officer on duty in the city of Stratford and Sherman County as well.

Jack Haile was sworn in as Sheriff of Sherman County on November 14, 1988. When he became sheriff, Sherman County's level of technology consisted of a #2 pencil and a Big Chief Tablet. He has completely updated the SO and brought it into the digital age which is not an easy task for someone who claims to be "computer illiterate."

Sheriff Haile sees his job as only one part of a much larger picture. He feels that in order to be a good sheriff you have to be involved with the community and its citizens.

Starting in 1989 Sheriff Haile decided that high school kids who are seventeen and older need to know what their responsibilities and liabilities as adults are under the law. Every fall he delivers his "Life Is Not Fair" speech to high school juniors and seniors updating them on current laws and legal issues.

Sheriff Jack Haile is dedicated to many organizations in Sherman County and throughout the Panhandle, serving in the following capacities: Lion's Club President - twice; Current President of the Stratford Jamboree, Sherman County's yearly festival; Coordinator of the Sherman County Bar - yearly; Served on the Stratford Chamber of Commerce; Past President of the Panhandle Peace Officers' Association; Founding member of the Sherman County Depot Museum; Founding member of the 911 Area Council; Past Farm Bureau Board Member; Past Consumer's Co-op Board of Directors; Elder of First Christian Church, Stratford, TX; Past Chairman of First Christian Church's Board of Directors; Sunday School Teacher; and following in his father's footsteps, Jack Haile has been Sherman County's Santa Claus every December for twenty-eight years.

Sheriff Haile works hard and sticks to the "old" principles of doing what is right for the common good. Jack thinks of and does for others more than for himself. He "sets the precedent" for younger lawmen to follow, and he is actively engaged in recruiting and encouraging new officers.

Sheriff Jack Haile is a man whom we should all strive to be more like - not only in our professional lives, but our personal lives as well.

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Wolf Creek Heritage Museum Notes

by Virginia Scott
MUSEUM HAPPENINGS
A productive week with the core team able to complete projects with our collection. We were also visited by a representative of the Amarillo Area Foundation concerning our grant application for our new building. Keep your fingers crossed for us. Hopefully, we will hear by September and can begin our plans for construction.

As you read this we will be almost finished with our Night at the Museum Camp for our youngsters. As I write this on Monday, camp will begin tomorrow (Tuesday) and we have about five kids scheduled. Hope everyone saw our notices. We will also have had a Wednesday night performance and we will still have tours and performances on Friday starting at 2:30 p.m. Call 806-852-2123 for more information.

Higgins celebrated Will Rogers Day and School Reunions on Saturday. I hope the heat did not keep the crowds away.

HISTORICAL MUSINGS
One of the oldest houses in Lipscomb is the Parker House. It has had many remodels and has a great history. It was built in 1890 by William Henry Parker and his wife Mary Etta Brown. It was the only boarding house in Lipscomb and was a focal point in the community. Many cowboys, schoolteachers, courthouse workers, judges, and lawyers stayed in the house. Mrs. Parker ran the boarding house after her husband's death in 1914. Mary Haygood wrote the following poem that expresses the history of the house:

YELLOW HOUSE
Outside beyond the starlit sky come panhandle cowboys riding by--

With the wide open spaces and love of the plains,
They'll make their way 'round here again.
It's the little yellow house where everyone goes filled with hope and love...
A place for anyone who needed a home, and enjoyed real good grub.
From doctors, to judges, to lonely ole' souls
This little house was more than a home.
It was having a family, and being a friend, to people you knew and strangers walkin' in.
Oh, the Parkers, they knew how to treat you with pride--
No matter the shoes that you wore and the memories live on and will survive in the hearts that will keep it alive.
The Parker house is still providing memories to the Lewis Family and to the visitors who come to our little town.
Have a good week.



STATE CAPITAL HIGHLIGHTS



by Ed Sterling

Cruz beats Dewhurst in primary runoff

AUSTIN — Voting in party primaries May 29 and runoff elections July 31 set the Nov. 6 general election ballot for Texas voters.

Texas had 13,065,425 residents who qualified to vote in the primaries and runoffs. Republican turnout statewide was 8.5 percent of the total while the Democratic turnout was 1.8 percent, according to tabulations posted by the Secretary of State's Elections Division last week.

Republican Ted Cruz of Houston and Democrat Paul Sadler of Henderson will face off for the U.S. Senate seat to be vacated at the end of the year by Kay Bailey Hutchison of Dallas. Hutchison, who has held the Senate seat for more than 19 years, was state treasurer when she won the election to fill the unexpired term of Sen. Lloyd Bentsen, who resigned the Senate seat after he was appointed U.S. treasurer by then-President Bill Clinton. Hutchison went on to win three consecutive six-year Senate terms.

Three broadcast debates and waves of televised campaign advertising raised the profile of Cruz's primary bout with Lt. Gov. David Dewhurst. On May 29 Dewhurst got nearly 45 percent of the vote and Cruz, 34 percent, in a field of nine candidates. Had either candidate garnered 50 percent or more, a runoff would have been unnecessary. Both the primary and the runoff were watched nationally and made headlines. Much was made over Cruz's never having been elected to a public office and running successfully against the widely known Dewhurst, who was cast as the "establishment candidate."

In the Democratic runoff, Sadler, with 63 percent of the vote, topped his opponent Grady Yarbrough's 37 percent.

Picking here from the list of runoff winners was state Rep. Randy Weber, R-Pearland, who will face former U.S. Rep. Nick Lampson, D-Beaumont, in the race for retiring Congressman Ron Paul's Congressional Dist. 14 that includes Brazoria, Galveston and Jefferson counties.

State Rep. Pete Gallego, D-Alpine, won the runoff against former U.S. Rep. Ciro Rodriguez, and will face Republican incumbent

U.S. Rep. Francisco Canseco whose enormous Cong. Dist. 23 runs from San Antonio to El Paso.

Also notably, incumbent state Sen. Jeff Wentworth, R-San Antonio, lost his runoff with Donna Campbell for Sen. Dist. 25, which includes part of Bexar and Travis counties and Comal, Guadalupe, Hays and Kendall counties. And, incumbent state Rep. Chuck Hopson, R-Jacksonville, lost his runoff with Travis Clardy for Rep. Dist. 11, which includes Rusk, Cherokee and Nacogdoches counties.

For more statewide and county election results, go to sos.state.tx.us.

Janek to head HHS

Gov. Rick Perry on July 30 appointed Dr. Kyle Janek as executive commissioner of the Texas Health and Human Services Commission, effective Sept. 1, and announced Chris Traylor will serve as the agency's chief deputy commissioner.

Texas Health and Human Services Commission oversees the state Medicaid program and the operations of five state agencies that employ more than 55,000 employees and have a combined annual budgets of more than \$30 billion.

Janek a medical doctor and an anesthesiologist replaces retiring Tom Suehs at the post. Janek was a member of the Texas Legislature, serving in the House of Representatives from 1995 to 2002 and 2003 to 2008. Traylor has served as commissioner of the Texas Department of Aging and Disability Services since

Monitoring goes digital

The Texas Department of Public Safety on Aug. 2 announced its launch of a secure online version of the secure online prescription-monitoring program, called Prescription Access in Texas.

Controlled substance prescription dispensing history is made available under the program to authorized health care and law enforcement professionals, the DPS said.

When the program was officially launched in June, the database was available only to a select group of practitioners, pharmacists and law enforcement professionals, but last week, access was extended "to additional physicians and law enforcement, mid-level practitioners, medical board and nursing board investigators," the DPS said.

In 1982, the Texas Legislature created the original prescription drug-monitoring program, the Texas Prescription Program, but access was through a manual paper process.

Vets' loan rate lowered

Texas Veterans Land Board, a division of the General Land Office created in 1946 to help returning World War II veterans, voted Jul 26 to drop interest rates on land loans to 6.75 percent.

The previous rate was 7.25 percent. Under the loan program, veterans may borrow as much as \$100,000 to buy land and up to \$417,000 to buy a home.

Spearman's Wounded Warrior

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Anyone interested in purchasing t-shirts may contact The SportZone at 806-644-9663 or Rick or Jan Howard at 806-330-0388

Jeremy's address is: SAMMC Jeremy Frost, 4th Floor Room 435, 3851 Roger

Brooke Dr., Fort Sam Houston TX 78234. There is a policy of no flowers since he is in isolation.

Kylee's address is: Kylee Frost, c/o Powless Guest House, IHG Army Hotel, Bldg 3625, 3298 George Beach Avenue, Fort Sam Houston TX 78234.

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Happy Birthday!

August 9 Sparks
Birthday - Christopher Layton, Reba Miser, Inell Trahan, Roy Dunaway, Karla Latta, Anita Garrard, Bob Rylant, Holly Pipkin
Anniversary - M/M Buddy Dossett, M/M Steve Bevell

August 10
Birthday - Clint Bell, Kyle Deeds, Monica Garcia, Ralph Mireles, Bob Tolleson, Jamie Gomez, David Hagar, Ronnie Burke, Tim Woodington, Chris Strain, Karen Moyer, Danna Irlbeck, Abbey Edwards, Christopher Vela, Rodney Nickel
Anniversary - M/M Lucio Vela, M/M Riche Randall, M/M J.L. Brock, M/M Erwin Wright, M/M Felipe Alvarez, Jim & Karen Johnson

August 11
Birthday - Preston Miller, Autumn Bateman, Jake McCullough, Clint DeArmond, Jody Rex, Dean McLain, Tootsie Scroggs, Simon Nelson, Kam Taylor, Hank Sutterfield, Tammy Herndon, Tayshia James
Anniversary - M/M Gary Johnson, M/M Ervin Wright, M/M Junior Crossland

August 12
Birthday - Hix Spivey, Norma Swink, Verna Gail Keim, Angela Gaither, Judy Nelson, Randy Hargis, Julian Rodriguez Sr., Wade Nobles, Devonna Boyd, Janice Bannister, J.C. Harris
Anniversary - M/M Rudy Saldavar

August 13
Birthday - Brendy Brown Kirkland, Mike Coomer, Denise Karlin, Blake Trantham, Wanda Jones, Anne Foster, Adrian Robertson, Lorrie Bowen, Joe Dean Clement, Jim Miller, Crystal Boyd
Anniversary - M/M Gary Flowers, M/M Gerald TeBeest, Jeremy & Cindy (Flores) Burch

August 14
Birthday - Leslie Latta, Jimmy Nicholson, Mike Pack
Anniversary - M/M Monty Lusby

August 15
Birthday - Kelly Armes, Mary Jane Henson, Ryan Winger, Buddy Gaither, Cole Umphress, Sara Butt, Vanessa Ortega, Dub Womble, John Booth
Anniversary - M/M Billy Baker, M/M David Hall, M/M Buddy Murrell, M/M Billy Logsdon Jr., M/M James Nicholson

August 16
Birthday - Corky Chapman, Ed Fry, Ronny Womble, Wayne Burchard, Ben Dunaway, Sondra Younger, Felix Sandaval, Tyce Hergert, Teresa Cook, Sharon Ross, Jason Villines, Lillie Love, Kathy Love, Nicholas Vinson, Ruben Gomez, Donetta Greene, Carlos Hernandez, Alexander Davis
Anniversary - M/M Bill

August 17
Birthday - Christy Brown, Guy Paul Hindergart, Allison Reid, Dean Sparks, Dodie Beedy, Delinda McLaughlin, Halee Rice, Bo Bensinger, Kimberly Boyd
Anniversary - Betty & Dub Womble, M/M Danny Jackson, M/M Don Allen, M/M Wayne Ware, Kitty & Frank Edwards, David & Kim Swink

August 18
Birthday - Brenda Dahl, Carla Johnson, Heather Murrell, Jack Weldon, Tina Wilmeth, Jerry Beth Pracher, Tammy Welch, Bob Cook, Robbin Keetch, Pat Miller, Jeanie Bennett, Glen Ward, Andrew Correll, Janet Mayo
Anniversary - M/M David Link, M/M Dennis Baker, M/M Charles Deakin

August 19
Birthday - Diana Bradshaw, Buddy Murrell, Kenton Odum, Linda Tidwell, Carey Bridges, Perry Dixon, Mary Lou Mathews, Chris Trout, Lisa Collins, Teddy Lynn Whitefield, Melissa Harvey, Joshua Miller, Jordan Fisher, Lenny Pecha
Anniversary - M/M Kelly Smith, M/M Larry Hicks, M/M Jim Bartimus

August 20
Birthday - David Bergin, Joyce Messer, Joyce Lackey, Irene Snider, Tony Hart, Shelley Edenborough, Joe Olivarez, Derek Irlbeck, Kathy Lewis, Jodi Hight
Anniversary - M/M Mike Grotegut, M/M Les Barkley, M/M Tommy Russell, M/M Larry Babbs

August 21
Birthday - Lou Garrett, Lauren Hoel, Michael Lane Whitefield, Linda Lawson, Carolyn Mauldin, Brandon Babitzke, Joshua Bynum, Rick Harvey, Coy H. Kelly Jr, Shane Hill
Anniversary - M/M Dwayne Marrs

August 22
Birthday - Amber Roberts, Autumn Roberts, Tony Hester, Michelle Davis, Tuesday Reed, Jonell Sheets, Roger Brown, Marge Papay, John Michael Sterling, Phil Garza, Kathrine Tope, Janie Perez, Garrett Griffin, Brian Robinson, Brett Winegarner, Janie Reza, Kay Snider
Anniversary - M/M Silva, Kenneth & Lisa Brown, M/M Pat Jackson

August 23
Birthday - Ann Dorman, Reagan Baker, Eddie Reed, Donnie Mitchell, Sara Blackburn, Ralph Blodgett, Bill Jack Pittman, Kathy Lewis, Miriam Mendoza
Anniversary - M/M Billy DeArmond, M/M Chris Johnson, M/M Jimmie Vernon

Words from Faith & Grace

by Cecil R. Biggers, Lutheran Lay Minister



In the eleventh week of the Season of Pentecost, we learn more of the "bread of life" and what it means to be called by the Lord as we study 1 Kings 19: 4-8, Psalm 34: 1-8, Ephesians 4:25-5:2.

Elijah has defeated and destroyed four hundred prophets of Baal and Queen Jezebel vows to kill Elijah. Elijah flees. After running for a day, the prophet lays down under a broom tree to rest and sleep. Elijah prays that God will take his life. An angel awakens him and commands him to "Get up and eat", food had been provided. Elijah sleeps again and the angel awakens him again. Again Elijah is commanded "Get up and eat, otherwise the journey will be too much for you." Elijah got up and traveled forty days and forty nights to Mount Horeb, the mountain of God. Even the bravest of believers can succumb to fears; even the bravest of soldiers can break after going into combat too many times. Learn from this that we must learn to rely on God for our strength and that regardless of the strength of our enemies, the strength of God is greater. God's steadfast love is always with us.

The Psalmist sings a song of praise. God has delivered the Psalmist from all his fears. The Psalmist asks all to join him in blessing God. The theme is expressed best by, "The angel of the Lord encamps around those who fear him, and delivers them. O taste and see that the Lord is good; happy are those who take refuge in him."

Paul charges the Ephesians to be "imitators of God, as beloved children, and live in love as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God." Paul lists things which promote unity in the Church, please read them. When you read them notice that Paul is calling upon the Church to live in love and even more to act in love. You are called to be a "little Christ"; learn what this means.

Our lesson commences with Jesus' statement to the crowd, "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty". The Jews respond, "Is not this Jesus, the son of Joseph, whose father and mother we know? How can he say, 'I have come down from heaven?' The Jews have heard Jesus' message but they have not understood it. We are much the same. We judge others by what we know, what we have learned, and it is difficult to consider a 'radical' idea. Jesus said in this passage, "No one can come to me unless drawn by the Father who sent me; and I will raise that person up on the last day." It is the work of the Holy Spirit to enable my faith in Jesus The Christ through the grace of God. Our renewal comes in doing God's will; doing God's will requires us to "eat of the living bread." This is expressed elsewhere as, "In God we live and move and have our being". You see dear Christian, our "being" is in God; without God we do not truly exist.

May the Holy Spirit enable you to eat of the "living bread" that you may find eternal life.

FSA Accepting Emergency Loan Applications

Applications for emergency farm loans for damages and losses caused by drought January 1, 2012 and continuing are being accepted at the Farm Service Agency (FSA) office located in Perryton, Texas, James M. Heck said today.

All counties in Texas were recently named by the Secretary of Agriculture as eligible for loans to cover part of actual production and physical losses resulting from the drought.

Farmers may be eligible for loans of up to 100 percent of their actual losses or the operating loan needed to continue the agricultural business, whichever is less. For farmers unable to obtain credit from private commercial lenders, the interest rate is 2.25%.

As a general rule a farmer or rancher must have suffered at least a 30 percent loss of crop production or suffered any physical loss to be eligible for an FSA emergency loan under this disaster designation. Producers participating in the Federal Crop Insurance program will have to consider proceeds from those programs in determining their production loss. Additionally, any insurance proceeds received by producers as a result of the physical loss will have to be considered in determining their total loss.

Application for loans under this emergency designation for physical or production losses will be accepted until March 12, 2013 but farmers should apply as soon as possible.

FSA is a credit agency of the U.S. Department of Agriculture. It is authorized to provide disaster emergency loans to recognized farmers who work at and rely on farming for a substantial part of their living. Eligibility is extended to individual farmers who meet U.S. citizenship requirements and to farming partnerships, corporations or cooperatives in which U.S. citizenship requirements are met by individuals holding a majority interest.

For further information, you may contact James M. Heck at (806) 435-6597, ext. 2 or contact your local FSA office and they will direct you to the Farm Loan Program office that handles your county. Additional information regarding Disaster Assistance Programs may be found online at <http://disaster.fsa.usda.gov>.

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 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 - Toni Bailey
- Grace Presbyterian Church**
 (Worships with Faith Lutheran Church)
 1101 Bernice • 659-2033
Faith Lutheran Church (ELCA)
 1101 Bernice • 659-2252
 Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.
 Worship: 11 a.m.
 (Worships with Grace Presbyterian Church)
 Pastor - Cecil Biggers, PLM
- Union Church**
 31 S. Endicott • 659-2644
 Sunday School: 10:00 a.m.
 Worship & Kid's Church: 11:00 a.m.
 Wednesday Evening Worship and Bible Study Services: 7 p.m. Wed.
 Pastor - Steve Hinchaw
www.unionchurchonline.org
- Fellowship Baptist**
 1102 S. Archer • 659-2783
 Sunday School: 10 a.m.
 Worship: 11 a.m.
 Sun. Evening Worship: 6 p.m.
 Sun. Evening Spanish Worship: 7 p.m.
 Youth/Adult Service: 7:30 Wed.
 Pastor - Philip Hudson
- Primera Mision Bautista**
 502 E. 7th • 659-3991
 Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.
 Worship: 11 a.m.;
 Evening: 6 p.m.
 Wed. Prayer Meeting: 7 p.m.
 Thurs. Visitation: 7 p.m.
 Pastor: Joe Garcia Jr.
- El Aposento Alto U.P.C.I.**
 1105 S. Roland
 Domingos: Escuela-Domical - 10 a.m.
 Culto Evangelistico - 7 p.m.
 Jueves: Oracion - 8 p.m.
 Mier: Estudio Biblico - 7 p.m.
 Pastor - A.G. Martell
 (806) 659-2153
- Gruver United Methodist**
 Broadway & Garret
 733-2651
 Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.
 Worship: 8:30 & 10:50 a.m.
 Eve. Worship & UMY: 6 p.m.
 Pastor - George Price
- Spanish Cristo Redentor Church**
 Hwy 15 806-659-2166
 Gruver, TX
 Sun. Mass: 1:30 p.m. - Spanish
 Rev. Gregory Bunyan
- Oslo**
- Oslo Lutheran Church (ELCA)**
 6 Miles West & 12 Miles North of Gruver
 339-7646
 Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.
 Worship: 11 a.m.
 Pastor - Arlen Lloyd
- Gruver**
- First Baptist Church**
 402 E. Broadway • 733-2411
 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: 7:00 p.m.
 Minister - Gaylord Cook
- 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 Gumfory
- Morse**
- Morse Baptist Church**
 733-2757
 Pastor - Gary Stevens
- Waka**
- Church of Christ**
 300 Rogers Ave.
 202-7126
 Sunday School - 9:30 a.m.
 Sunday Worship: 10:30 a.m. & 6 p.m.
 Wednesday Bible Study: 7 p.m.
 Preacher - Ed Jenkins

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 Micah 6:8

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Medical Fund Established for Jeremy Frost

A fund has been set up at First National Bank for Kylee and Jeremy Frost. To donate you can either call the bank at 659-5544 or mail it to Box 337, Spearman.

John DeLaRosa

A medical account has been opened for John & Deborah DeLaRosa at First National Bank. John has been diagnosed with oral cancer. He will be going through radiation and chemo treatment.

Spearman Food Bank 1st Thursday

If you would like to help the Spearman Food Bank, they need help unloading the truck at 11:30 each 1st Thursday of each month. Contact Cecil Biggers for more information.

Farmer's Market

The local Farmer's Market is held every Wednesday afternoon. Anyone interested in participating is asked to contact Linda Venneman at 806-898-0969.

Lady Hound Basketball Camp

The Lady Hound Basketball Camp of Champs 2012 will be held August 6th-8th. Session I: Incoming 2nd - 6th Grade Girls (9 a.m. - 11 or 12 depending on size of camp); Session II: Incoming 7th - 9th Grade Girls (1 - 4 p.m.). The camp will be held in the new Gym and will cost \$40 (includes T-Shirt). If cost is keeping you from coming, please contact Coach Lankford (806-206-2942)! Walk-ins welcome! In Session I (grades 2-6), the FUNDamentals of the game are taught and repeated. Dribbling, passing, form shooting, and a few defensive fundamentals. Fun and entertaining games will be played but not sacrificing the fundamental work that is taught. In Session II (grades 7-9), skills and drills will be introduced that will be taught at the JH and used in the high school. There will be competitions. Other aspects of the game will be taught too. The camp will be directed by Coach Lankford, head girls basketball, and assisted by the girls basketball staff of Coach Morrison, Coach Davis, and Coach Skarke.

Range Riders Rope for a Cure Event

Range Riders is roping together their fourth annual Rope for a Cure event to benefit children with Type 1 Diabetes and the Panhandle Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation (JDRF). On Friday, August 10 through Sunday, August 12, Range Riders welcomes young and old to experience the art of roping at the Range Rider Indoor Arena at 313 W. Loop 335 South, Amarillo, TX.

Wheatheart Wheat Conference

The Wheatheart Wheat Conference will be held on Thursday, August 9, 2012 in the Ochiltree County Expo Center- Perryton, Texas. Registration will begin at 8 a.m., and is \$10. 3 CEUs will be given for Pesticide, including 1 in Laws and Regulations. Topics will be Wheat Market Outlook and Marketing Strategies, Variety Selection and Wheat Breeding Programs, Disease Management, Pesticide Laws and Regulations and Wheat Judging Contest Results. Lunch will be provided. For more information call the following Texas AgLife Extension Service offices: Burt Williams, Hansford (806)659-4132 Kristy Synatschek Hutchinson (806)878-4026; Kyle Barnett, Hemphill (806) 323-9114 JR Sprague, Lipscomb (806)862-4601 or Scott Strawn, Ochiltree (806)435-4501.

BBBS Big Fun Run

The 5th Annual Big Fun Run and Family Fun Walk will be held Saturday, August 25th at 8 a.m. starting at Perryton High School. A Family Fun 1 Mile Walk immediately follows at 8:30 a.m. Proceeds will benefit Big Brothers Big Sisters in Perryton, Spearman and Gruver. To register for the 5K race or one mile fun walk call the BBBS office at 434-0016 or on our website: bbbstxpan.org. Registration will be available the day of the event. Registration is \$25. Members of SWFTR or Lone Star Runners Club pay \$20. Family Fun Walk Package (family of 4) is \$90. Male and female first and second place prizes will be awarded in four divisions: 14 & under, 15-25, 26-40, and 41+. Register by August 10th to guarantee shirt sizes.

GHS Cross Country Workouts

All high school students (boys and girls) planning to run cross country must report for practices on Monday, August 13th at 7 a.m. behind the old varsity gym. A swimsuit and bike will be needed on Tuesday (14th) and Thursday (15th). Contact Coach Morrison if you have any questions.

Rushing Wind Emmaus Meets

Rushing Wind Emmaus will meet Saturday, August 11 at the Waka Christian Center starting at 6 p.m. Friends and families are welcome to come to the potluck dinner followed with a praise and worship service. A nursery will be provided and training will be available for new sponsors.

Perryton Area Parkinson's Disease Support Group

The Perryton Area Parkinson's Disease support group will meet Friday, August 10, 2012 at Perryton Mennonite Church, 2821 S Ash. The program will be given by Accolade Home Health on Vestibular Therapy. A lunch will be served for the 12 noon meeting. Anyone who has Parkinson's Disease or has a family member with it is welcome to attend. Call Bev Burger for more information 435-3437 or 435-0579.

ACT Test Deadline

Attention High School Juniors and Seniors. Aug 17th is the deadline to register for the Sept 8th ACT test.

Important Gruver High School Dates

Gruver High School students may pick up their schedules in the office on August 14th from 9:00-2:00. All schedule changes must be completed by 12 noon on Aug. 17th. New student registration for all campuses - Aug. 20th from 9 a.m.-12 noon.

7th-12th Grade Parent/Student Meeting

Gruver ISD will be holding a parent/student meeting for all students in grades 7th -12th about the new drug testing procedures and School Board policy that will be implemented this school year. Mr. Seagler, Coach Felderhoff, Coach Callaway, and Mrs. Gaillard will be present at the meeting to discuss the policy and testing procedures. All students who will be participating in athletics, band, choir, FFA, FCCLA, UIL, cheerleading, One Act Play, annual staff, class or organization officers, students that park in the school parking lot, or any and all other extra-curricular activities must take part in this drug testing policy to be eligible for their specific activity. The meeting will be held in the High School gym @ 7:00 pm, August, 21st. Parents/Students will need to be prepared to sign and complete some paperwork at this meeting. If parents or students can not attend, all paperwork will be distributed on the first day of school and will need to be signed and return the next day.

Gruver Jr High Load Your Locker

Gruver Junior High students are welcome to come to the jr. high building on August 23rd and 24th to bring their school supplies and set up their lockers.

Pringle-Morse Welcome Back to School

Pringle-Morse ISD will host a Welcome Back Event for parents and students. Come ill out registration packets, meet the teachers and bring your school supplies to Pringle-Morse School on Tuesday, August 21st through Friday, August 24th. Times are as follows: 8:30 a.m.-4 p.m. Office open (Tuesday-Friday), 1-3 p.m. Meet the Teachers (Tuesday-Thursday), 9 a.m.-12 noon Meet the Teacher (Friday), and 6-7 p.m. (Thursday ONLY). This will be a come and go opportunity before school starts for parents and students to bring school supplies, meet the teachers and fill out registration packets. Door Prizes will be given to each family that attends and returns completed registration packets. If you have any questions, please call the school office at (806) 733-2507.

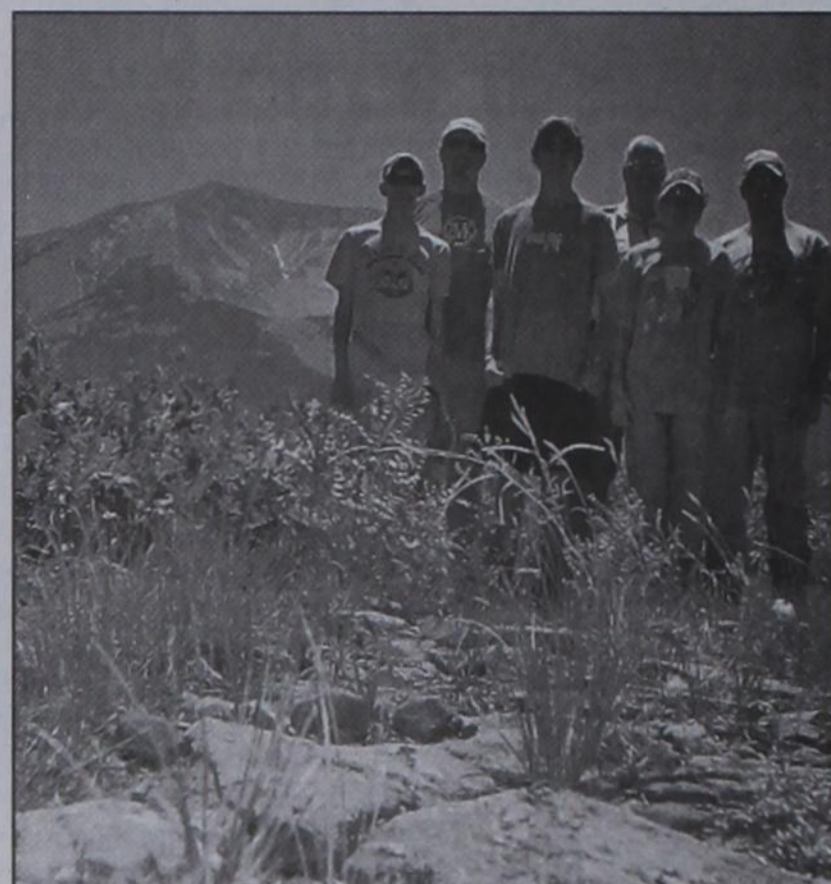
Back to Scouting Event

We are having a back to scouting event for all boys ages 11-17 at the Spearman Swimming Pool Park at 6:00 p.m on August 15th, 2012. All boys ages 11-17 are invited. If you are interested in Scouts, please come join the fun.

SHS Booster Club Membership Drive

The 2012-2013 Spearman Athletic Booster Club Membership Drive is underway. Membership forms can be downloaded and printed at www.spearmanlynx.org. The Booster Club officers for the 2012-2013 school year are very eager and excited to work as a team with parents, students, coaches and the community to fulfill the many needs of the SHS Athletic program. Your support is greatly appreciated! Go Lynx & Lynettes!

Spearman Scouts Visit Colorado



Spearman Boy Scout Troop #551 attended night camp at Spanish Peaks Scout Ranch in Colorado. Scouts that were in attendance were Dylan Kemp, Cade Garnett, David Jackson, Corbin Hughes, Trenton Baird and Daniel Jarvis. They were accompanied by Scoutmaster Britt Jarvis, Assistant Scoutmaster Lance Kemp, Todd Baird and Gary Ellsworth. Scout Dylan Kemp worked on the following merit badges: Archery, Camping, Cooking and Fishing. Scout Cade Garnett worked on the following merit badges: Environmental Science, Camping, Cooking and Forestry. Scout David Jackson worked on the following merit badges: First Aid and Emergency Preparedness. He also took the First Class Trail course, which is designed to teach the skills needed to reach the ranks of

tenderfoot Second Class and First Class. Scout Corbin Hughes worked on the following merit badges: Environmental Science, Wilderness Survival, Citizenship in the World and Woodcarving. Scout Trenton Baird worked on the following merit badges: Bird Study, Camping, Cooking and Fishing. Scout Daniel Jarvis worked on the following merit badges: Environmental Science, Leather Workmanship, Cooking and Fishing. The camp is located at an 8,000 foot elevation on the Spanish Peak Mountains, near Walsenburg, Colorado. The scouts had time to go fishing and enjoy the mountain, camping and fished in their off time. Everyone enjoyed the trip.

Overcoming In Life Women's Conference

LADIES, IT'S TIME TO CELEBRATE! Come and celebrate the twentieth anniversary of the Overcoming In Life Women's Conference at Victory Center Church, 5th & Quinn in Guymon, OK, on August 23rd through the 25th with world renowned speaker and author Kate McVeigh from Warren, Michigan. Other speakers include conference favorite Pastor Tamy Mendenhall of World Harvest Church in Enid,

Oklahoma, Nancy James of Triumph Ministry, and Victory Center's own host speaker Pastor Margaret Mendenhall, author of the book, Unlocking the Secret to Healthy Relationships and the newly released novel, Fall like Lightning from Heaven. The theme throughout the meetings will be "Celebrate Life." Events for the conference will include anointed praise and worship led by Beth Elliott, skits, door prizes, an

opportunity to win an afternoon of pampering, a free luncheon for those who have paid the registration fee and lots of yummy food and enjoyable fellowship after the night services. Early-bird registration fee is \$35 until August 12th after that the cost is \$45. Any woman who desires to experience a breakthrough that will restore her broken self-image and discover her true value in the eyes of the God who gives

life abundantly, is cordially invited to make this year's Overcoming in Life conference a must-do event on her calendar. You can register by mail at Victory Center, P.O. Box 128, Guymon, OK 73942; online at victorycenter.org; or by phone at 580-338-5616. Kate will also be ministering in the Sunday Morning service at Victory Center Church on August 26th at 10:30 a.m.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING TO DISCUSS BUDGET AND PROPOSED TAX RATE

The Gruver ISD will hold a public meeting at 7:00 PM, August 27, 2012 in Administration Board Room. The purpose of this meeting is to discuss the school district's budget that will determine the tax rate that will be adopted. Public participation in the discussion is invited.

The tax rate that is ultimately adopted at this meeting or at a separate meeting at a later date may not exceed the proposed rate shown below unless the district publishes a revised notice containing the same information and comparisons set out below and holds another public meeting to discuss the revised notice.

Maintenance Tax	\$1.038000/\$100 (proposed rate for maintenance and operations)
School Debt Service Tax	\$0/\$100 (proposed rate to pay bonded indebtedness)
Approved by Local Voters	
Comparison of Proposed Budget with Last Year's Budget	
The applicable percentage increase or decrease (or difference) in the amount budgeted in the preceding fiscal year and the amount budgeted for the fiscal year that begins during the current tax year is indicated for each of the following expenditure categories.	
Maintenance and operations	-2.36 % decrease
Debt Service	0 0
Total expenditures	-2.36 % decrease

Total Appraised Value and Total Taxable Value (as calculated under Section 26.04, Tax Code)		
	Preceding Tax Year	Current Tax Year
Total appraised value* of all property	\$399,834,313	\$391,712,281
Total appraised value** of new property**	\$943,173	\$1,194,770
Total taxable value*** of all property	\$387,182,670	\$374,569,524
Total taxable value*** of new property**	\$933,741	\$1,075,293
*Appraised value is the amount shown on the appraisal roll and defined by Section 1.04(8), Tax Code. ** "New property" is defined by Section 26.01(2)(17), Tax Code *** "Taxable value" is defined by Section 1.04(10), Tax Code.		

Bonded Indebtedness	
Total amount of outstanding and unpaid bonded indebtedness* \$0	
*Outstanding principal	

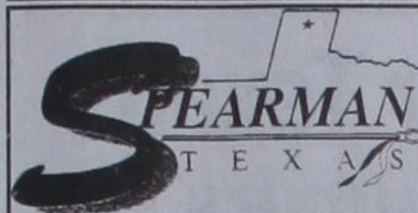
Comparison of Proposed Rates with Last Year's Rates					
	Maintenance & Operations	Interest & Sinking Fund*	Total	Local Revenue Per Student	State Revenue Per Student
Last Year's Rate	\$1.038000	\$0*	\$1.038000	\$9,258	\$4,955
Rate to Maintain Same Level of Maintenance & Operations Revenue & Pay Debt Service	\$1.039670	\$0*	\$1.039670	\$9,358	\$4,754
Proposed Rate	\$1.038000	\$0*	\$1.038000	\$9,338	\$4,359
*The Interest & Sinking Fund tax revenue is used to pay for bonded indebtedness on construction, equipment, or both The bonds, and the tax rate necessary to pay those bonds, were approved by the voters of this district					

Comparison of Proposed Levy with Last Year's Levy on Average Residence		
	Last Year	This Year
Average Market Value of Residences	\$54,510	\$54,180
Average Taxable Value of Residences	\$28,608	\$28,344
Last Year's Rate Versus Proposed Rate per \$100 Value	\$1.038000	\$1.038000
Taxes Due on Average Residence	\$296.95	\$294.21
Increase (Decrease) in Taxes		\$-2.74

Under state law, the dollar amount of school taxes imposed on the residence homestead of a person 65 years of age or older or of the surviving spouse of such a person, if the surviving spouse was 55 years of age or older when the person died, may not be increased above the amount paid in the first year after the person turned 65, regardless of changes in tax rate or property value.

Notice of Rollback Rate: The highest tax rate the district can adopt before requiring voter approval at an election is \$1.040000. This election will be automatically held if the district adopts a rate in excess of the rollback rate of \$1.040000.

Fund Balances	
The following estimated balances will remain at the end of the current fiscal year and are not encumbered with or by a corresponding debt obligation, less estimated funds necessary for operating the district before receipt of the first state aid payment	
Maintenance and Operations Fund Balance(s)	\$2,000,000
Interest & Sinking Fund Balance(s)	\$0



Chamber & Economic Development News



Tex Kopke
Spearman Chamber of Commerce & Economic Development Director

by **Tex Kopke**

The reason I previously mentioned my experience as a tour guide and traveling to many different places is because as a trained tour guide I will now be using that experience on the job to promote and show off

Spearman. As a person who loves to travel and as a tour guide I have been to many towns both large and small. A place doesn't have to be big or rich in order to be inviting and interesting. The windmill park, lake, museum, skate park and alligator ranch are a very good start in making us an interesting place to visit but the inviting part could use a little work to say the least. I grew up here in Spearman but sorry to say folks weeds, litter and dead or unmowed grass and peeling paint just aren't that inviting no matter how you promote it. However, these things can be corrected easily enough with a little effort if everyone takes responsibility and quits waiting for someone else to do something about it first. I'm trying to start doing my small part by picking up litter, sweeping and planting flowers out in front of the Chamber office and watering, planting flowers and pulling weeds at the Spear-

man welcome sign by the stop light and watering the park in front on the laundry.

However, this is only one small though noticeable area of town. I need your help. What can you do to make your business or home more attractive? Have you noticed Tong's Restaurant lately. Way to get going Tong's! The fresh paint and parking lot cleanup are a great improvement. The restaurant renovations and the improved appearance of the Chamber lawn at the Spearman welcome sign have already made our one major intersection look much better to all those traveling through town. Does your business or home need a fresh coat of paint or do you have some weeds that need pulling or grass that needs watering? These are the types of things that you can do starting right now to make a positive change. I you are not proud of the appearance of Spearman then do something about it. Let's get going. What are we waiting for? Nobody else is going to make Spearman look better for us. Everyone can show some good old Spearman PRIDE by simply picking up a piece of litter every time you see it instead of just walking past it. You are not too old or too

young to pick up a simple piece of trash. Ask your friends and neighbors if they had enough Spearman Pride to at least pick up one piece of trash today. If they say yes they did then you know they have enough pride in Spearman not to let it be trashed. Did you have that much pride in Spearman?

More news soon but now I need to get out and mow my own yard and pull a few weeds.

GISD Meeting On Drug Testing Procedures & Policy

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NOTICE TO PARENTS

Statement of Non-discrimination For Career and Technical Education Programs

Spearman ISD offers career and technology education programs in Agriculture, Food and Natural Resources; Family Consumer Science, Arts, Business Management and Information Technology. Admission to these programs is based on interest, aptitude, age appropriateness, and class size available.

Spearman ISD will take steps to ensure that lack of English language skills will not be a barrier to admission and participation in all educational and CTE programs.

In its efforts to promote nondiscrimination, Spearman ISD does not discriminate on the basis of race, religion, color, national origin, gender, sex, or disability in providing education services, activities, and programs, including CTE programs, in accordance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended; Title IX of the Educational Amendments of 1972; and Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (ADA), as amended, which incorporates and expands upon the requirements of Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended. The following district staff members have been designated to coordinate compliance with these legal requirements:

Title IX Coordinator, for concerns regarding discrimination on the basis of gender: Clay Montgomery, at 403 East 11th Avenue, Spearman, TX 79081, 806-659-3233. ADA/Section 504 Coordinator, for concerns regarding discrimination on the basis of disability: Clay Montgomery, at 403 East 11th Avenue, Spearman, TX 79081, 806-659-3233.

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Declaración de no discriminación Para Carreras y Programas de Educación Técnica (CTE)

Spearman ISD ofrece programas de Educación de Carrera y la Tecnología en la Agricultura, Alimentos y Recursos Naturales, Familia consumidor ciencia, Artes, Empresas, Gestión y Tecnología de la Información. Admisión a estos programas se basa en el interés, aptitud, conveniencia de edad y tamaño de las clases disponible.

Spearman ISD tomara medidas para asegurar que la falta de conocimientos del idioma ingles no será un obstáculo para la admisión y participación en todo educativos y programas CTE.

En sus esfuerzos por promover la no discriminación, Spearman ISD no discriminar sobre la base de raza, religión, color, origen nacional, sexo o discapacidad en la prestación de servicios de educación, actividades y programas, incluyendo programas CTE, de conformidad con el Titulo VI de las Ley de Derechos Civiles de 1964, en su forma enmendada; El Titulo IX de las Enmiendas de Educación de 1972; y El Titulo II de las Americans with Disabilities Act de 1990 (ADA), en su forma enmendada, que incorpora y amplia los requisitos de las Sección 504 de las Ley de Rehabilitación de 1973, en su forma enmendada. Los siguientes miembros de personal de distrito son designado para coordinar el cumplimiento de estos requisitos legases:

Titulo IX Coordinador, preocupaciones con respecto a las discriminación sobre la base de sexo: Clay Montgomery, 403 East 11th Avenue, Spearman, Texas 79081, 806-659-3233. ADA/Sección 504 Coordinador, preocupaciones con respecto a la discriminación sobre la base de la discapacidad: Clay Montgomery, 403 East 11th Avenue, Spearman, Texas 79081, 806-659-3233.

FSA Announces Continuous Sign-up for CRP Highly Erodible Land Initiative

Rick Hargrove, Executive Director for the Hansford County USDA Farm Service Agency (FSA), announced that continuous sign-up for the Highly Erodible Land Initiative under the Conservation Reserve Program (CRP) started on July 23, 2012. Texas received a total allocation of 50,000 acres. Offers will be accepted until either the state acreage allocation limit is reached or September 30, 2012, whichever occurs first.

"CRP is a voluntary program that has protected environmentally sensitive land for more than 25 years," said Hargrove. "This initiative will accept offers with an erosion rate of at least 20 tons per acre per year for new cropland or CRP acres that expire on September 30, 2012; however, existing grass stands that are not considered expiring CRP will not be considered eligible," he said.

Producers can stop by the Hansford County FSA office to determine if their land qualifies for the Highly Erodible Land Initiative and to receive additional location-specific details.

Landowners enrolled in CRP receive annual rental payments and cost-share assistance to establish long-term, resource conserving covers on eligible farmland. Incentive payments are not authorized under this initiative.

New land contracts approved during this continuous sign-up initiative will become effective the first day of the month following the month of approval and are valid for 10 years.

CRP contracts set to expire on September 30, 2012, may be offered for consideration and approved contracts will become effective October 1, 2012, and are also valid for 10 years.

For more information, please contact the Hansford County FSA Office at 806-659-3036, ext. 2 or visit <http://www.fsa.usda.gov/crp>.

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PUC Offers Summer Energy Conservation Tips for Texans

Following Campaign's Simple Steps Can Help Consumers Curb Electricity Use and Save on Monthly Utility Bills

The heart of summer in the Lone Star State brings scorching hot temperatures and increased electricity usage, as Texans try to beat the heat by cranking up the air conditioning.

As part of its new Power to Save campaign, the Public Utility Commission of Texas (PUC) is reminding all residents to do their part to conserve electricity during the dog days of summer. Taking a few simple steps will not only help the state save energy, but will also help consumers reduce their monthly utility bills, keeping more money in their pockets without affecting their comfort.

During the summer, electricity usage is highest between 3 p.m. and 7 p.m. The PUC is asking Texans to conserve electricity during these peak hours by delaying heavy electricity consumption activities — such as running the washing machine or dishwasher — until later in the evening.

“Last summer’s record heat and drought presented challenges that we had to overcome. Despite 90 days of triple-digit weather in parts of Texas, we avoided critical conditions due to the public’s response. This year, we are again encouraging people to make small changes to their daily rou-

ties,” said Chairman Donna Nelson of the Public Utility Commission of Texas. “Simple steps such as raising your air conditioner one to two degrees, closing window blinds and turning off lights can make a huge difference in helping us meet our energy conservation goals.”

Turning up your air conditioning by only one or two degrees can reduce your energy usage by 16 percent and save you money, Nelson added. Turning the electric water heater down by 10 degrees can reduce energy consumption by 5 percent. Using a programmable

thermostat can make it easier to reduce electricity usage between 3 p.m. and 7 p.m.

At the centerpiece of the campaign is a new website, www.PowerToSaveTexas.org, which shares information on reducing energy usage and features links to both track your usage and shop for the lowest electricity rates available. Users can even sign up to receive energy alerts via email, to help avoid outages.

The PUC offers the following simple tips for Texans to conserve electricity this summer.

Use the air-dry setting on dishwashers to prevent heating the kitchen with the heat-dry setting

usual setting helps reduce electricity usage. Use fans to make rooms feel four to six degrees cooler

Make sure windows and doors are closed tightly

Close blinds or drapes on windows that get direct sunlight

Washers, Dryers and Dishwashers Only run these appliances when they are fully loaded — and after 7 p.m. — to keep the house cooler and reduce electricity usage during peak times

Wash laundry with cold water, and don't overfill the dryer

Dry laundry in back-to-back loads to take advantage of the already-heated dryer

Make sure the outside dryer air vent is properly sealed

Use the air-dry setting on dishwashers to prevent heating the kitchen with the heat-dry setting

Lighting and Other Electrical Equipment

Turn off lights, TVs and other electrical equipment when not in use. Devices that are not running but are plugged in still consume energy, so unplug devices and turn off power strips.

Set computers and monitors to “sleep” when idle for more than a few minutes.

Do not run kitchen or bathroom ventilation fans longer than necessary because they replace inside air with warmer air from outside.

More energy-saving tips can be found on the Power to Save website at www.powertosavetexas.org

TWC Warns Texans About Gift Card Email Scam

The Texas Workforce Commission (TWC) warned today that emails claiming to offer free gift cards “on behalf of Texas Workforce Commission” are not to be trusted. Such offers are not attributable to TWC, and anyone who receives such an email should delete it immediately. Responding to the email, or clicking on the included web link, may result in harmful malware being downloaded to the recipient’s computer, TWC warned.

TWC has received reports of scam emails claiming to be sent on behalf of TWC stating the recipient has won a \$1,000 gift card. The email instructed the recipient to visit a website called “rewards2012” to claim the gift card. However, if a recipient follows the link to the website, malware attempts to download to their computer.

This is a known “phishing” scam, and TWC reminds Texans never to click on links in an email from an unknown source. Phishers and scammers often will direct people to websites that look very similar to legitimate websites in order to obtain login credentials or personally identifiable information, such as social security numbers, dates of birth or mother’s maiden names. Following these links may result in monetary or identity theft.

Texas residents also are reminded that TWC staff will never call or email to

obtain personally identifiable information, perform home visits, or use text messages to contact them. Unemployment benefit recipients should only give personal information when filing for benefits online at ui.texasworkforce.org or when speaking to an unemployment benefit customer service representative on the Tele-Center phone filing system at 800-939-6631.

TWC encourages individuals to check their bank or other online account settings for unusual activity if they suspect they are victims of identity theft. To avoid becoming a victim of online scams, visit the Office of the Attorney General online at www.oag.state.tx.us/consumer/scams.shtml or www.onguardonline.gov, managed by the Federal Trade Commission, for more information. To report suspicious emails posing as official TWC messages, please call TWC’s Fraud and Program Abuse Hotline at 800-252-3642.

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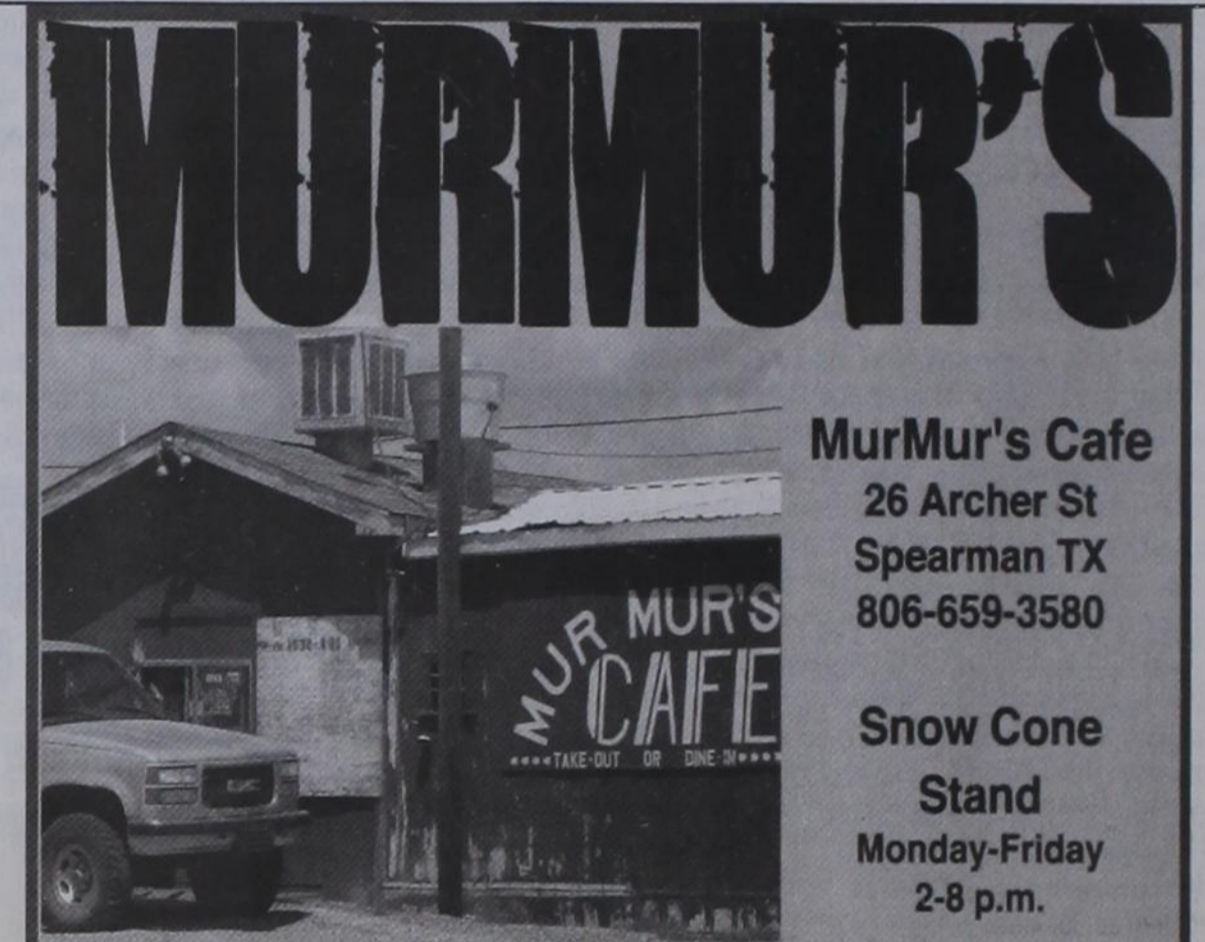
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NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING TO DISCUSS BUDGET AND PROPOSED TAX RATE

The Pringle-Morse CISD will hold a public meeting at 7:00 PM, August 23, 2012 in Pringle-Morse CISD Board Room. The purpose of this meeting is to discuss the school district's budget that will determine the tax rate that will be adopted. Public participation in the discussion is invited.

The tax rate that is ultimately adopted at this meeting or at a separate meeting at a later date may not exceed the proposed rate shown below unless the district publishes a revised notice containing the same information and comparisons set out below and holds another public meeting to discuss the revised notice.

Maintenance Tax	\$1.040000 \$100 (proposed rate for maintenance and operations)
School Debt Service Tax	\$0.5100 (proposed rate to pay bonded indebtedness)
Approved by Local Voters	
Comparison of Proposed Budget with Last Year's Budget	
The applicable percentage increase or decrease (or difference) in the amount budgeted in the preceding fiscal year and the amount budgeted for the fiscal year that begins during the current tax year is indicated for each of the following expenditure categories:	
Maintenance and operations	-0.19% decrease
Debt Service	0.0
Total expenditures	-0.19% decrease

Total Appraised Value and Total Taxable Value (as calculated under Section 26.04, Tax Code)		
	Preceding Tax Year	Current Tax Year
Total appraised value* of all property	\$264,470,912	\$254,678,194
Total appraised value** of new property**	\$486,369	\$279,743
Total taxable value*** of all property	\$262,050,039	\$253,084,744
Total taxable value*** of new property**	\$481,916	\$276,945
*Appraised value is the amount shown on the appraisal roll and defined by Section 1.04(8), Tax Code		
** "New property" is defined by Section 26.01(2)(17), Tax Code		
*** "Taxable value" is defined by Section 1.04(10), Tax Code		

Bonded Indebtedness	
Total amount of outstanding and unpaid bonded indebtedness*	\$0
*Outstanding principal	

Comparison of Proposed Rates with Last Year's Rates					
	Maintenance & Operations	Interest & Sinking Fund*	Total	Local Revenue Per Student	State Revenue Per Student
Last Year's Rate	\$1.040000	\$0*	\$1.040000	\$11,512	\$3,605
Rate to Maintain Same Level of Maintenance & Operations Revenue & Pay Debt Service	\$1.029830	\$0*	\$1.029830	\$12,104	\$3,908
Proposed Rate	\$1.040000	\$0*	\$1.040000	\$12,259	\$2,462
*The Interest & Sinking Fund tax revenue is used to pay for bonded indebtedness on construction, equipment, or both					
The bonds, and the tax rate necessary to pay those bonds, were approved by the voters of this district					

Comparison of Proposed Levy with Last Year's Levy on Average Residence		
	Last Year	This Year
Average Market Value of Residences	\$28,869	\$29,279
Average Taxable Value of Residences	\$8,095	\$8,424
Last Year's Rate Versus Proposed Rate per \$100 Value	\$1.040000	\$1.040000
Taxes Due on Average Residence	\$84.19	\$87.61
Increase (Decrease) in Taxes		\$3.42
Under state law, the dollar amount of school taxes imposed on the residence homestead of a person 65 years of age or older or of the surviving spouse of such a person, if the surviving spouse was 55 years of age or older when the person died, may not be increased above the amount paid in the first year after the person turned 65, regardless of changes in tax rate or property value.		

Notice of Rollback Rate: The highest tax rate the district can adopt before requiring voter approval at an election is \$1.040000. This election will be automatically held if the district adopts a rate in excess of the rollback rate of \$1.040000.

Fund Balances	
The following estimated balances will remain at the end of the current fiscal year and are not encumbered with or by a corresponding debt obligation, less estimated funds necessary for operating the district before receipt of the first state aid payment	
Maintenance and Operations Fund Balance(s)	\$2,036,931
Interest & Sinking Fund Balance(s)	\$0



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RENT HOUSE NEEDED: Looking for house or apartment to rent immediately. Please call Dana Saylor at 806-290-5129. 2(8/2/12)

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HELP WANTED: Fulltime office personnel needed. Accounting, computer and secretarial skills are required. Send resume to Gigot Agra Products, PO Box 95, Spearman, TX 79081. TFN(5/10/12)

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PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE FINAL PUBLIC HEARING TEXAS CAPITAL FUND PROGRAM

The City of Spearman will hold a final public hearing on Tuesday, August 28, 2012 at 5:05 PM. The hearing will be held at the Spearman City Hall in Spearman, Texas, in regard to the Downtown Revitalization/ Sidewalks Improvement Project that was recently completed with a Texas Capital Fund Grant (TCF). Topics to be discussed will include the specific program improvements completed and the costs associated with the TCF and the City of Spearman. Handicapped citizens needing assistance to attend this hearing should contact Ed Hansen, City Manager, at (806) 659-2524. 1(8/9/12)B

PUBLIC NOTICE

Pringle-Morse CISD is accepting quotations for fuel and/or maintenance of school buses and vehicles. Please contact the school business office for bid specifications. Quotations must be received at 100 Fifth St., Box 109, Morse, TX 79062; phone: 806-733-2507, by 12 noon. 8(8/9/12)B

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August 23, 2012. Bids will be opened at that time and considered by the PMCISD Board of Trustees at its regular August meeting. The Board reserves the right to accept or reject in whole or part of any and all bids. 2(8/9/12)B

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Gruver School Receives AED Donation

The Great Plains Project HeartSafe was established to save lives by ensuring that AEDs are widely available in the region, especially in rural communities.

Sudden cardiac arrest remains a leading cause of death in this country, responsible for an estimated 250,000 deaths each year. The American Heart Association (AHA) reports that

up to 50,000 lives could be saved annually with the prompt use of automatic external defibrillators (AEDs).

Individuals, organizations, businesses and government agencies are eligible to purchase an AED unit through Project HeartSafe. This program provides a greatly reduced purchase cost through the

generosity of Cardiac Science and the possibility of cost sharing. The cost-share program may provide up to \$600 in assistance to those who wish to purchase an AED through the program. This assistance is provided jointly by Great Plains Ag Credit and Cardiology Center of Amarillo.

Recently, the Great Plains Project HeartSafe

partners donated a portable automated external defibrillator (AED) to the Gruver school district school board president, Jeff Purvines; David Teal, superintendent; and athletic director, Terry Felderhoff. Representatives from Great Plains were Eddie York, Chief Lending Officer and Heath Wilson, Amarillo Branch Office Manager.

"We know that AED programs in schools save lives. One often associates heart problems with adults but

sudden cardiac arrest strikes approximately 7,000 young people every year. SCA occurs in schools, classrooms, on athletic fields, in gymnasiums, and in hallways," said Heath Wilson. "Time is critical when a person's heart stops. The goal of Great Plains Project HeartSafe is to save lives, by making portable AEDs more affordable and more widely available, especially in rural communities."

For more information on

the unit and special pricing through this program see www.greatplainsagcredit.com/heartsafe or contact Wally Rogers of Cardiac Science at 505.205.9460 or e-mail wrogers@cardiac-science.com.

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Pictured left to right are: Eddie York, Coach Felderhoff, David Teal, Gruver ISD Superintendent, Heath Wilson, and Gruver School Board President, Jeff Purvines.

2012 Property Tax Rates in City of Spearman

This notice concerns the 2012 property tax rates for City of Spearman. It presents information about three tax rates. Last year's tax rate is the actual tax rate the taxing unit used to determine property taxes last year. This year's *effective* tax rate would impose the same total taxes as last year if you compare properties taxed in both years. This year's *rollback* tax rate is the highest tax rate the taxing unit can set before taxpayers start rollback procedures. In each case these rates are found by dividing the total amount of taxes by the tax base (the total value of taxable property) with adjustments as required by state law. The rates are given per \$100 of property value.

Last year's tax rate:

Last year's operating taxes	\$389,338
Last year's debt taxes	\$0
Last year's total taxes	\$389,338
Last year's tax base	\$73,321,657
Last year's total tax rate	\$0.531000/\$100

This year's effective tax rate:

Last year's adjusted taxes	\$388,279
(after subtracting taxes on lost property)	
- This year's adjusted tax base	\$72,522,328
(after subtracting value of new property)	
- This year's effective tax rate	\$0.535392/\$100

(Maximum rate unless unit publishes notices and holds hearings.)

This year's rollback tax rate:

Last year's adjusted operating taxes	\$535,019
(after subtracting taxes on lost property and adjusting for any transferred function, tax increment financing, state criminal justice mandate, and/or enhanced indigent healthcare expenditures)	
- This year's adjusted tax base	\$72,522,328
- This year's effective operating rate	\$0.737730/\$100
x 1.08=this year's maximum operating rate	\$0.796748/\$100
+ This year's total rollback rate	\$0/\$100
- This year's total rollback rate	\$0.796748/\$100
* Sales tax adjustment rate	\$0.199803/\$100
= Rollback tax rate	\$0.596945/\$100

Statement of Increase/Decrease

If City of Spearman adopts a 2012 tax rate equal to the effective tax rate of \$0.535392 per \$100 of value, taxes would increase compared to 2011 taxes by \$3,867.

Schedule A - Unencumbered Fund Balance

The following estimated balances will be left in the unit's property tax accounts at the end of the fiscal year. These balances are not encumbered by a corresponding debt obligation

Type of Perty Tax Fund	Balance
Maintenance & Operations	320,946

Schedule B - 2012 Debt Service

The unit plans to pay the following amounts for long-term debts that are secured by property taxes. These amounts will be paid from property tax revenues (or additional sales tax revenues, if applicable).

Schedule C - Expected Revenue from Additional Sales Tax

In calculating its effective and rollback tax rates, the unit estimated that it will receive \$146,740 in additional sales and use tax revenues.

This notice contains a summary of actual effective and rollback tax rates* calculations. You can inspect a copy of the full calculations at 709 W 7th, Spearman TX 79081.

Name of person preparing this notice: Sonya Shieldknight
 Title: Chief Appraiser
 Date Prepared: 08/03/2012

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 Pastor: Rev. Tom Bailey
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 Fax: 806-659-5504
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Have you been thinking that you really need to get back to church? It is so easy to get out of the habit when there are so many things happening and vacationing in the summer. Come join us at the United Methodist Church. You'll be glad you did!

Back In the Saddle Sunday
 August 26, 2012 - 11:00 am
 Guest speakers and musicians - Ted and Jody Wilson

Spaghetti Luncheon and Fellowship following the service provided by the Youth

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