



# REPORTER STATESMAN

SERVING HANSFORD COUNTY SINCE 1907

CUMP  
HANSFORD COUNTY LIBRARY  
0122 MAIN ST  
SPEARMAN TX 79081

75¢

THURSDAY  
SEPTEMBER 26, 2002

213 MAIN ST • SPEARMAN, TX 79081

VOL. 94 • ISSUE 39

NEWS • SPORTS • PICTURES

## Homecoming 2002

### Humor Specialist To Speak

All have heard the quote from Proverbs 17:22, "A merry heart doeth good like a medicine."

The O'Loughlin Center and Hansford Hospice will sponsor a program on the benefits of laughter on October 14, 2002, at 6:30 p.m. for the citizens of Hansford County and the surrounding area.

Writer Allen Klein has stated that everyone needs a daily dose of Vitamin "H" (humor). Victor Hugo said, "Laughter is the sun that drives winter from the human face." Pastor and writer Chuck Swindoll said, "Joyful people stay riveted to the present - the here and now, not the then and never."

In the United States, more than 500 laughter clubs exist. Many laugh-club members find themselves transformed into children again, and why not. The average preschool laughs up to 400 times a day. The average adult? A sad seven to 15.

Coming from Amarillo to the O'Loughlin Center is Bev Harris, a Certified Laughter Leader. Recognizing both the psychological and physiological benefits of humor, Bev carries a heavy schedule of speaking engagements, teaching people to "Let go and Laugh again!" She speaks on various topics, but uses laughter to get everyone to reduce their stress level.

This program is free to the public. Refreshments will be served.

### Family Dine-In Theater

The First Annual "Family Dine-In Theater" event will be held on Saturday, September 28, 2002. It will include a spaghetti dinner catered by Texhoma Livestock Restaurant, and roasted s'mores, a cotton candy machine, a move on an 8'x8' screen (featuring "Scooby Doo") and popcorn.

The event will be held in the Brady Meyer family's backyard, located at the end of Allison Street in Stratford. The cost will be \$10 per person. All proceeds will benefit the High Plains Epilepsy Association (HPEA).

HPEA has been serving the Texas/Oklahoma Panhandle since 1972. It is a not-for-profit organization based in Amarillo. Services include neurological visits free of charge, lab work, MRI's, etc. free of charge. Assistance with purchasing medications is provided on a short-term basis.

The money raised for this event will assist individuals in your community who have epilepsy and their families. Thank you for your support. For more information, contact Stefanie Meyer at (580) 423-3130.

### Students Offered Out-of-this-World Experience

State Sen. Teel Bivins, R-Amarillo, announced the application process has begun for the annual High School Aerospace Scholars program.

The program offers local high school juniors opportunities to participate in science-, math- and engineering-based distance-learning and spend an all-expense-paid week at the Johnson Space Center in Houston, a news release stated.

Students chosen for the program will be involved in activities including interactive Web-based assignments, online mentoring and a summer group project. To be eligible, students must be U.S. citizens, at least 16 years of age, Texas residents, currently in their junior year of high school and have access to the Internet and e-mail.

High school juniors interested in applying for the program should contact their science or math coordinator. The student's high school will send the completed applications to the senator's office.

To find out more about the program, call Bivins' office at 374-8994 or visit the Web site at <http://aerospacescholars.jsc.nasa.gov/>.



2002 Spearman High School Homecoming Queen Jessica Crossland

Spearman High School senior Jessica Crossland was crowned 2002 Spearman High School Homecoming Queen and Christi Clift was crowned 2002 Gruver High School Homecoming Queen on Friday, September 20th.

Jessica is the daughter of Jr. and Stephanie Crossland of Spearman. Christi is the daughter of Traci Clift and Roger Clift of Gruver.

Other SHS queen nominees were seniors Megan Dorton, daughter of Dink and Carma Dorton, and Nicole Ramon, daughter of Tindle and Kristi Ramon.

Other GHS queen nominees were seniors Amy Watley, daughter of Sheila and Andy Watley, and Bryn Lowe, daughter of Marsha and Buddy Lowe. Ada Joyce Stedje and Farene Williams, representing the class of 1942 were crowned the 2002 GHS Alumni Queens.

Stedje is a life-long resident of the Oslo Community. She and her husband James have three children, eight grandchildren, and will soon have 12 great grandchildren. She is a member of Oslo Lutheran Church and the Gruver Music Club and is active in the Golden Agers.

Williams is a life-long resident of Gruver. She and her husband L.A. have three children, six grandchildren, and a great grandchild. She is a member of the Gruver Church of Christ.

Other alumni queen nominees and their escorts were Carolyn Miller Bryant of Longview, Texas and Bill Kindy of Alaska from the class of 1952.

Sharon Ayers Barkley of Gruver and Gary Winkler of Katie, Texas representing the class of 1962

Barbara Smith Buntin of Merkel, Texas and Billy Mayhew of Douglasville, Georgia of the class of 1972.

Jana Spivey Wright of Canyon, Texas and Sammy McClain of Lipan Texas from the class of 1982.

Jill Stedje Watson (granddaughter of Alumni Queen Ada Joyce Stedje) of Gruver and Luke Miller of El Paso, Texas from the class of 1992.

Sara Bass, daughter of Jim and Verlene Bass, a student at West Texas State University and Kade Carthel, son of Danny and Harletta Carthel, a student at Abilene University, representing the class of 2002.



2002 Gruver High School Homecoming Queen Christi Clift

## Cattle Feeders Celebrate 35th Anniversary

Texas Cattle Feeders Association (TCFA) is returning to its roots for its 2002 Annual Convention as it heads to Amarillo, the place where the Association was formed 35 years ago.

The TCFA 35th Anniversary Convention will be Oct. 18-19 at the Amarillo Civic Center and will feature a streamlined format. "We have a convention line-up designed to give cattle feeders maximum information quickly and efficiently," said TCFA President and CEO Richard McDonald. "In one day, cattle feeders will hear a variety of speakers talk on a wide variety of topics designed to provide plenty of take-home knowledge. And with a reduced registration fee, it will be a meeting that cattle feeders can't afford to miss."

The convention sessions will be Saturday, Oct. 19, beginning with a Morning General Session featuring TCFA Chairman Paul Engler, who will share his thoughts on the cattle feeding industry. Then, Dr. Garry Adams with the School of Veterinary Medicine at Texas A&M University will discuss "Meeting the Biosecurity Challenge," and Dr. Mike Galyean with Texas Tech University will offer thoughts on "Beef Production in Challenging Times." The session will wrap up with Jim Whitt of Whitt Enterprises, who will sculpt a picture of the personal challenges facing cattle feeders in his talk, "Who's the Beef Industry?"

Lunch brings a special treat as Don Powell, former Amarillo banker and chairman of the Federal Deposit Insurance

Corporation, offers his insights on the Washington D.C. political scene. Then, TCFA will recognize the area's mayors and other civic leaders, thanking them for the strong partnership between cattle feeders and their communities for the past 35 years.

The Afternoon General Session brings a unique event to cattle feeders—top executives from the four major packers will be in one room, on one stage, to discuss their thoughts on the issues affecting the entire beef marketing chain. "This has been a challenging year for cattle feeders and everyone who attends the TCFA Convention will welcome the chance for dialog with the top decision-makers at the four major packers," McDonald said. "Cattlemen can never forget that we're in the business of producing a high quality, wholesome food product for consumers. What the packers have to say will be of intense interest to everyone."

Cattle feeders will end the day with the Cattle Feeders Get Together, featuring a live auction for TCFA's Beef-PAC and dancing to the country swing sounds of Jody Nix and The Texas Cowboys. "We have a full and informative day planned for cattle feeders," McDonald said, "and with a reduced registration fee of only \$100, attending may be the best business decision this year."

For information on the TCFA 35th Annual Convention, log on to [www.tcfa.org](http://www.tcfa.org) or contact the Texas Cattle Feeders Association at [info@tcfa.org](mailto:info@tcfa.org) or call (806) 358-3681.

## SHS Band To Host Pre-Game Dinner

The Spearman High School Band will host a Mexican Pile-On on Friday, September 27th from 5-6:30 p.m. at the High School Cafeteria. Prices will be \$5 for adults, and \$3 for preschoolers.

Las niembros del club de la Banda de Spearman High School Les hacemos una Cordial Invitacion a una cena que se llevara a cabo el Viernes 27 de Septiembre de las 5 a 6:30 de la tarde en la cafeteria de high school. Precios \$5 - adultos, pre-escolares - \$3.

## SBA Accepting Disaster Loan Applications

The Small Business Administration is now accepting Economic Injury Disaster Loan applications.

Small businesses in Childress, Collingsworth, Dallam, Hansford, Hardeman, Hemphill, Lipscomb, Ochiltree, Sherman, Wheeler, Wichita, and Wilbarger Counties are eligible to apply for a low-interest Economic Injury Disaster Loan from the SBA. These loans are available to small businesses that have suffered financial losses as a result of a severe winter ice storm occurring on January 30, 2002, and continuing. These loans cannot address physical damages caused by the disaster.

The loan application deadline is November 1, 2002.

Small businesses are also eligible to apply for a low-interest Economic Injury Disaster Loan from the SBA. These loans are available to small businesses that have suffered financial losses and are dependent on farmers and ranchers who sustained crop losses as a result of drought that occurred August 1, 2001, and continuing. Farmers and ranchers are not eligible for these SBA loans. Nurseries that are victims of drought can apply.

The loan application deadline is April 22, 2003.

For further information call SBA at 1-800-366-6303.

## HCHD Welcomes RN's



Joann Schneider RN, DON, Hansford Hospital (center) is proud to welcome two new RN's to the nursing staff.

Regina Biggers, RN, (left) graduated from Spearman schools in 1994. She attended nursing school at Frank Phillips College and became an LVN in May 2000. At that time she began working at Hansford Manor. To further her nursing career she began RN school at Amarillo College the following August.

In May 2001 Gina transferred to the Hospital to get acute care experience. She completed the RN program in June with an Associate Degree in Nursing, took the State Boards in August, and received her RN in September. Ms. Biggers expressed her appreciation for the support of her parents, Cecil and Myrna Biggers, and her son, Alan, as well as her coworkers.

Jane Russell, RN, (right) graduated from LVN school at Frank Phillips College in July 1999 and began work at Hansford Manor. In October 2000 she transferred to the Hospital and, with the help of the Hospital District's Scholarship Loan Program, began RN school. She earned her Associate Degree in Nursing from Amarillo College in May 2002 and received her license to practice as a Registered Nurse in July 2002. Ms. Russell expressed that her success is due, in large part, to Hansford County Hospital District, her friends, family and coworkers. "The support and encouragement was endless. You know who you are, and I thank you..."



# 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

**September 26**  
**Birthday** - Whitt Barkley, Mandy Derington, David Tomlison, Tamera Shedd, Von Close, Idella Randall, Cari Babitzke Baker, Jennifer Martin, Wayne Cummings, Regan Boxwell, Wanda Reed, Sharon Whitefield, Joy Graham, Grace Davis  
**Anniversary** - Mr. & Mrs. John Patterson

**September 27**  
**Birthday** - Jim Davis, Jon Hart, Kathy Slough, Nathan Watkins, Garland Hopper, Joe Gomez, Norma Hill, Dennis Randall, Kristina Poole Howell, Sara Shufeldt, Holly Simpson, Tindie Ramon  
**Anniversary** - Mr. & Mrs. David Bergin

**September 28**  
**Birthday** - Will Rane, Mike Grotegut, Beverly Hintergardt, Ona McClenagan, Mike Yanke, Kim Brock, Teddie Whitefield, Judy Reed, Jimmie Vernon, Linda Lowenhagen, Julio Garcia, Sherry Moore, Jeff Gresset, Mone Borunda  
**Anniversary** - James & Nell Cummings

**September 29**  
**Birthday** - Dick Hintergardt, Kelly Vernon, Dan Pearson, Meguel Espinosa, Jeff Vanlandingham, Vi Kjos, Charlie Salgado, Sue McCloy, Gabriel Rodriguez, Dave Laughlin, Ruben Olivarez, Christy Lang, Phillip Terry Moore, Travis Burgess, Tara Duke

**September 30**  
**Birthday** - Aaron Boyd, Chile Favala, Kyle Williams, Tanya Adkins, Cindi Nash, Stan Seagler, Naomi Fryrear, Jana Tindell, June Spencer, Roger Jones, F.W. Thomas, Sandy Cummings, Jean West, Dixie Williams, James Whitaker, Patrick Jerman, Sharon Bailey, Jade Shaver, Chris Cudd, Jenn Schnell, Justin Parker  
**Anniversary** - Mr. & Mrs. Aaron Brown, Mr. & Mrs. A.D. Reed Jr., Mr. & Mrs. Leon Wilson, Mr. & Mrs. Charlie Salgado

**October 1**  
**Birthday** - Royce Mathews, Galen Slough, Merri Gale

Sparks, Hector Nava, Beatrice Renteria, Brenda Pierson, Willie Clement, Sheila Watley, Colene Schaefer, Randall Schell, Angela Rodriguez, Laci Ortega, David Nash, Betty Perry, Robbie Dewberry, Jeff Shields  
**Anniversary** - Mr. & Mrs. Elwyn Young, Mr. & Mrs. Charles Newcomb

**October 2**  
**Birthday** - Kyler Barkley, Wayne Garrett, Jeremy Tunnell, Richard Wagner, Della Reed, Kathi Gilley, Kelly Trout, Angelita Cruz, Pamela Ring, Robbi Dewberry  
**Anniversary** - Glen Ray & Laura Mackie

**October 3**  
**Birthday** - Berniece Goodrich, Ruth Ann Jones, Lloyd Carroll, Doris Bateman, Eulalia Blankenship, Jackie Graham, Brian Watley, Teresa England, Timber Barkley, Chad Brown, Arlene Kennedy, Lynda Tunnell, L.A. Williams, Griffin George, Marsha Murphy  
**Anniversary** - Mr. & Mrs. Scott Davis, Jim & Linda Beeson, Mr. & Mrs. Jeff Hawkins, Mr. & Mrs. Dan Desimone

**October 4**  
**Birthday** - Debbie Garrett, Jan Stedje, Pam Stork, Abbi Yanke, Theresa Johnson, Jeff Gresset, Monty Hawkins, Karl Smith, Kandy Martin, Adam Red Bennie Brogdan, Francisco Borunda  
**Anniversary** - Mr. & Mrs. Craig Vinson, Mr. & Mrs. Omar Cotter, Mr. & Mrs. Andres Rodriguez

**October 5**  
**Birthday** - Ernestina Salgado, Richard Lesly, Sue Felder, Kelly Harper, Gladys McIntyre, Carl Kizzar, Glenda Johnson, Kermit Boone, Kelly Cox

**October 6**  
**Birthday** - Regina Barkley, Neil Evans, Doug Ferguson, Theron Pack, Brooke Mayfield, Janet Williams, Donna Burk, Myra Berner, Kenneth Brown, John Nichols, Adina Garza, Carrie McLain, Paulette Laxson, Haley Pletcher, Kylee Howard

**October 7**  
**Birthday** - Rex Casdorff, Pat Dawson, David Miner, Juanita Herron, Kay Ivey, Juan Holgin, Julian David Rodriguez, Michael Cory Hendrick, Clara Gonzales, Wanda Arin, Kayla Carden  
**Anniversary** - Mr. & Mrs. Rodney Dale Clawson, Mr. & Mrs. Hack B. Johnson

## Our Deepest Sympathy

**Bertha Mae Wilbanks**  
CORPUS CHRISTI, TX - Bertha Mae Wilbanks passed away after a lengthy battle with Parkinson's Disease. She was an active member of Faith Temple Church. Bertha was a resident of Sunbridge Nursing Home for about nine years. She was an affectionate and caring mother and grandmother who will be dearly missed by her loving family.  
Bertha was preceded in death by her husband, Robert A. Wilbanks, and an infant son, William Arthur Wilbanks.  
Survivors include a son, Robert (Helen) Wilbanks of Corpus Christi; and granddaughters, Leslie (Greg) Mittanck of San Diego, Calif. and Phyllis Wilbanks of Austin.  
Funeral services were held on Monday, September 23, 2002 at 2 p.m. at Faith Temple Church in Corpus Christi. Interment followed at Seaside Memorial Park.  
Memorials may be made in Bertha Wilbanks' memory to Faith Temple Church Building Fund, 4425 S. Staples, Corpus Christi, TX or to Wycliffe Bible Translators Associates, PO Box 2000, Orange, California 92859-9984.

**Robert Avent**  
KINGSTON, OK - Robert Avent, 76, of Kingston, Okla. passed away on Wednesday, September 18, 2002 at his home.  
Robert was born November 30, 1925 in Canyon, Texas to the late Lavert and Peggy Avent.  
Robert graduated from Canyon High School in 1943. He enlisted in the United States Navy. He graduated from the University of Oklahoma in 1945 and then received his Masters Degree from West Texas State University in Canyon.  
Mr. Avent married Betty Ruty Byrd on August 24, 1947 in Memphis, Texas. For many years Robert was a teacher and coach, and was in Gruver for several years. He was principal at Travis Junior High School until he retired. In 1990 they moved to Lake Texhoma because of his love for fishing.  
Robert was diagnosed with cancer in May of this year. He was preceded in death by two brothers, Lavert Avent Jr. of Stinnett and Don Avent of Claude.  
He is survived by his wife, Betty Avent of Kingston; a son and daughter-in-law, Price and Leesa Avent of Fort Worth; a daughter, Lucy Avent of Denver, Colo.; a granddaughter and husband, Amber and Steve Martin of Denver, Colo.; one great-grandson, Kody Riddell of Denver, Colo.; a brother and sister-in-law, George and Barbara Avent of Dalhart; and sisters and brothers-in-law, Mary Jo and John Robinson of Gruver, Juanita and Buck Allred of Wildorado, Texas and Martha and Bill Wilkins of New Braunfels, Texas.  
Memorial services were held Friday, September 20, 2002 at Kingston United Methodist Church in Kingston, Oklahoma.

### MONUMENTS

**Boxwell Brothers Funeral Home**  
519 Evans • Spearman  
659-3802

Dear friends,  
When you buy a monument from us we make sure it is exactly what you want at a price you can afford. If it is not right, we will make it right. And you will not have to search the countryside to find us. We are here when you have a need.  
Sincerely,  
Bob Boxwell

## HANSFORD HAPPENINGS

**Public Education In Texas**  
Public education in Texas is for every child. Don't leave any child behind. The children of Texas come in all sizes, shapes, colors, and abilities. They do not all learn the same way, but they ALL do learn. Do you know of an infant, child, or young adult who does not learn easily or has an impairment that might affect his/her success in life? Do you know that public school programs can serve these children from birth to age 21? For more information, call Marsha Murphy, Special Education Director, at (806) 435-4412.

**Child Find**  
Child find is the ongoing process of locating children (ages infant-21 years) with disabilities for special education services. If you know a child who shows signs of development delay, ongoing behavioral or medical problems that interfere with learning, find out how you can help by calling Gruver ISD at 733-2031, Spearman ISD at 659-2565, Pringle-Morse CISD at 733-2507, or the Child Find coordinator at Region 16 Education Service Center at (806)376-5521.

**Country Peddler Show**  
The Country Peddler Show will be in Amarillo September 27-29, 2002 at the Amarillo Civic Center. Hours are: Friday, September 27th, 4-9 p.m.; Saturday, September 28, 9 a.m.-6 p.m.; and Sunday, September 29, 11 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Adult admission is \$5.00. Seniors (65+) are \$3.00 and Children under 12 get in free. One admission is good all weekend. For more information, call 1-800-775-2774, or visit our website at www.peddlershow.com.

**Holt Extension Club Nut Sale**  
The Holt Extension Club is accepting orders for Pecans (\$5), Walnuts (\$4), and Cashews (\$4.75). Orders will be accepted by any Holt Extension Club member, and money must accompany order. For more information, or to place an order by mail, contact Ruth Ann Jones, 10590 Co. Rd. B, Spearman, TX 79081, (806) 659-3486. October 10th is the last day to place an order.

**Spearman 4-H Roster Card Sale**  
The Spearman 4-H is selling roster cards to raise money for their scholarship fund. If you would like a roster for the 7th, 8th, JV or Varsity Spearman Football teams, contact the Extension Office at 659-4130. Cards are \$2.00 each. Thank you for your support!

**4-H Smoked Meat Sale**  
Hansford County 4-H members are selling smoked meats for their annual fund raising efforts. Products available include smoked and spiral hams, turkey, peppered turkey breasts, smoked or peppered bacon, beef or chicken fajitas, chicken tenders, tamales, pork patties, breakfast burritos, sausage, egg and cheese biscuits. Hunter's Package (Smoked turkey breast, pork loin, smoked bacon and jalapeno summer sausage) and sausage links. Funds benefit the awards program and recognition banquet for all 4-H members. Orders must be received by October 17th, with deliver date before Thanksgiving. Please contact a 4-H member or call the County Extension Office at 659-4130 or 733-2901 to place your order.

**Annual Clarendon Chuckwagon Cookoff**  
The eighth annual Col. Charles Goodnight Chuckwagon Cookoff will be held Saturday, September 28, 2002 in Clarendon on the grounds of the Saints' Roost Museum. The gate opens at 7:30 a.m., with breakfast and lunch concessions provided by the Clarendon Chamber of Commerce. The tradeshow starts at 10 a.m., and museum tours will be available throughout the day. Entertainment will begin at 11 a.m., and performances are scheduled all day. Admission to the all-day event is free. Tickets for the authentic Chuckwagon supper are \$10 each and will begin at 5 p.m. All proceeds will benefit the Saints' Roost Museum located at the old Adair Hospital just off State Hwy. 70 South in Clarendon.

**Benefits of Humor**  
You are invited to a program on the Benefits of Humor, given by certified Laughter Leader, Bev Harris. The program will be on October 14, 2002 at the O'Loughlin Center at 6:30 p.m. All persons in Hansford County and the surrounding area are invited to attend this enjoyable program sponsored courtesy of the O'Loughlin Center and Hansford Hospice. Refreshments will be served.

**Special Services to be held at Spearman Union Church with an emphasis on Youth Ministry**  
Guest performer Brandon Dorris, Singer/Songwriter from Joplin, Missouri, will be at the Spearman Union Church on September 29th at 6 p.m. and September 30th and October 1st at 7 p.m. Brandon has made appearances on the fastest growing Christian TV show (Music City Gospel Showcase), and has had concerts with well-known artists. Young and old alike will be blessed by his life story and testimony.

**Wesley United Methodist Church's 22nd Annual Festival of Arts & Crafts**  
The Wesley United Methodist Church will host their 22nd annual Festival of Arts and Crafts on December 7, 2002 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., at the Community Center. Only a limited number of booths are available, with applications being screened. The booth fee is \$10. Applications may be obtained by writing to Ellen Collins, 801 Miles St., Hereford, TX 79045, or call (806) 364-0774.

**Free Power Point Presentation by Jimmy Hatley, CPA, IRS Taxpayer Education and Communication Specialist**  
The Spearman Chamber of Commerce is hosting a free Power Point presentation on Tuesday, October 22, 2002 from 10 a.m.-12 noon and 2-4 p.m. The presentation will be given by Jimmy Hatley, CPA, an IRS Taxpayer Education and Communication Specialist. Each presentation will last approximately 2 hours. They are free to the public and will touch many aspects of business topics that will offer good information for anyone interested in opening a business, or those already in existence. Please call the Chamber of Commerce office at 659-5555, or e-mail spearman@arn.net to sign up.

**All Amphibious Shipmates Sought**  
The Texas LST/Amphibious Association invites all shipmates, past and present, to the amphibious reunion to be held in San Angelo, Texas October 10-13, 2002. A good time will be had by all. Please contact Bob Garner LST 461, HC 52, Box 362, Hemphill, TX 75948, or email him at TexasLSTs@aol.com.

Listen to  
**KRDF - 98.3 FM**  
Hot Country Stereo  
'Till Midnight

### Spearman Chamber of Commerce Boss's Day Kahuna

Wednesday, October 16th  
Spearman Chamber of Commerce will deliver Kahunas to your favorite boss!

**Prince/Princess Kahuna: \$5<sup>00</sup>**  
Delivery of Boss's Day Card and Cookie

**King/Queen Kahuna: \$15<sup>00</sup>**  
Delivery of a Boss's Day Card, Cookie, and singing telegram by the Kahuna Tun-a's

**The Royal Kahuna: \$25<sup>00</sup>**  
Delivery of a Boss's Day Card, Cookie, Flower, Singing Telegram and \$6 meal certificate.

Deadline for Orders is  
**Friday, October 11th at 5 p.m.**

Fill out this form and drop with payment into the chamber night drop. The chamber office will be closed October 7-11 for vacation. Please call Sharon at 659-3711, Missie at 659-9907, Rosalee at 659-5565, or Rosi at 659-3776 during that time for more info. In town delivery only.

From: \_\_\_\_\_  
Boss's Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Delivery address (working hours only): \_\_\_\_\_

Circle One (include payment): Prince/Princess - \$5  
King/Queen - \$15  
Royal Kahuna - \$25

## Palo Duro Supper Club

### Daily Lunch Buffet

Sunday-Friday,  
11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.  
**\$5<sup>97</sup>**

Buffet is all-you-can-eat, and includes salad bar

Friday Buffet - Fresh Water Catfish  
Kitchen Closes at 8:00 p.m.

---

## Palo Duro Supper Club

22 S. Archer • 659-2232 • Spearman, TX

## LYRIC Cinema

113 Main Spearman, Texas (806) 659-2812  
On the Web @: [www.antden.com/newweek.asp](http://www.antden.com/newweek.asp)  
Children 3 thru 11 - \$4.00 Adults - \$6.00  
Sr. Patrons (65 & older) - \$4.00

---

**\*\* Movies at 7:00 p.m. - Friday thru Tuesday \*\***  
Showing: September 27th thru October 1st

Screen 1	Screen 2
<b>Stealing Harvard</b>	<b>No Movie</b>
on	
<b>Screen 2</b>	
this week	

Starring: Jason Lee Tom Green  
Rated PG-13  
For Crude Humor, Language, & Drug References  
For Ratings Conscience Parents: [www.screenit.com](http://www.screenit.com)

## Among The Neighbors

by Helen Fisher

Kenneth and Lori Limbocker announced the birth of a daughter, Kelsi Lynn. She weighed 7 pounds, 5 3/4 ounces when she arrived on September 12, 2002 at Ochiltree General Hospital in Perryton.

Grandparents are Jim Defries of Perryton and G.M. and Leann Wisdom of Azle, Texas. Great-grandparents are Gregg and Cheryl Fleming of Borger and Kenneth and Carolyn Limbocker of Perryton.

Also very proud of her arrival are her two brothers, Kyler and Caton.

It is difficult to come to grips with the knowledge that Worley Smith won't be joking each time we meet. Regardless of his very poor health, he was always cheerful and a pleasure to be around. His ex-students appreciated his humor and always spoke well of him, as did all his associates.

His services were Friday, with interment at Hansford Cemetery.

Idella Randall is reported to be improving after suffering a fall in her home last Sunday. It was first thought she had broken a hip, but it was determined that her knees had given way and caused the fall. She was taken to Amarillo by ambulance.

She is now in Hansford Manor in Room 102, where she will remain until her knee surgery in early October.

The citizens of few, if any, feel the security as those of Hansford County. The conclusion of the murder trial last Wednesday in Spearman adds to the sense.

Sheriff McFarlin and many others attribute the early solving of this crime to work done by Deputies Lance Swan and Pete Ortega. Their knowledge and persistence solved the crime, and their professional presentation of the evidence to the court was convincing.

Both are 1989 graduates of Spearman High School, and have had further courses in criminal investigation.

Their families are valuable assets

of this locality. Congratulations and thanks, Officers!

Frances Flowers visited old friends Billy and Sybil Miller during the weekend. She was a former resident of Spearman, and now lives in Canadian.

Ruth Ann and Marvin Jones enjoyed the few days visit from his niece and her husband last week. They live in Bayton, Texas.

After their visit, the Jones' daughter and husband, Jan and Terry Neal, came for several days. They live at Lake Kiowa, near Dallas. He is retired from a corporation after many years, and they are enjoying the leisure time.

The Fall issue of the Texas Lawman carried a picture and article regarding the annual award given in memory of Gregg McFarlin, nine-year-old son of R.L. and Kaye McFarlin.

Kaye McFarlin presented the award to Deputy Sheriff Robert R. Garza of Warton County. He was the recipient for his rescue of an elderly woman from her burning home. Also pictured was R.L. McFarlin and the Wharton County Sheriff.

Family members report that Charles Eaton is recovering from angio-plasty surgery performed on Sunday. It was for a blood clot near his heart. He is in Baptist-St. Anthony's and his wife, Joanne, is with him. Other family members are close by.

The write-up in the Friday Amarillo Globe-News about the Ladies Slow Pitch Softball team, as well as the accompanying picture, was of interest to Spearman as it included former Spearman resident Jennifer Wells.

This game is played like baseball, but has ten players and the ball must be pitched a certain way.

The Amarillo team won the Texas State Championship in Midland in August. They also placed 7th in the

National Meet in Hutchison, Kansas on Sunday. They played four games on Saturday and five on Sunday.

Jennifer is the daughter of Donna Farris and Eugene Yarbrough, both of Spearman. She graduated from Spearman High School in 1987. She received a degree from West Texas in 1990, and is employed by British Petroleum in Amarillo.

John Booth underwent major surgery on Tuesday at Baptist-St. Anthony's in Amarillo. After some earlier complications, the surgery was successful. He is now recuperating at home.

Loree and John Booth held a block party cook-out in their back yard last Friday to welcome new neighbors Phillip and Brittni Sanders. The weather was fine, and so was the good food, which all enjoyed.

Welcoming the new neighbors were all the families of Mr. and Mrs. Jordan Miser, Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Renner, Jeff and Shelly Beedy and Kim and Stephanie Brock.

Margaret Harnish enjoyed the visit of her daughter, Lyda Littleton of Maine, and son and daughter-in-law, Gilbert and Susan Harnish of Atlanta during August and September.

They helped Margaret make the transition into Hansford Manor.

Is there a bright reader in the area who can explain to a little great-grandson that shingling a roof with nails does not mean the roof of his mouth, nor the nails of his toes? Also, the calf on Pop's leg cannot feed on the corn on his toe?

Weather for the week of September 16th, through 7 a.m. on September 23rd: the high was on the 17th at 95; the low was on the 20th at 46; moisture (surprise) - .52.

### It's A Boy!

Matt and April (Brown) Wood wish to announce the birth of their son, Lachlan Aaron Wood. Lachlan was born on September 18, 2002 at 2:52 a.m. in Perryton, TX. He weighed 8 pounds, 11 ounces and was 21 inches long.

Lachlan was welcomed home by his eight-year-old brother, Bryce Reed Jarvis.

Grandparents are Aaron and Beth Brown of Colorado Springs, CO and Norm and Margret Wood of Kerang, Victoria Australia. Great-grandparents are Robert and Clevene Elliott and Jim and Rosemary Brown, all of Spearman.

### It's A Girl!

Cindy and Troy Franklin of Dalhart proudly announce the birth of their daughter Emma Anne Franklin.

The new arrival was born Monday, September 23, at 7:45 p.m.

Maternal grandparents are Robert and Clevene Elliott of Spearman while the paternal grandparents are Floyd and Clara Franklin Dalhart.

She was welcomed by big sister Hannah Clair Franklin, 3.



### Engagement Announcement

Phil Sanders of Spearman and Linda Butt of Amarillo wish to announce the engagement of their daughter, Suzanne Kay Sanders to Lucien August Bellsnyder. Lucien is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Dain Whitworth of Austin.

The couple plan a January 11, 2003 wedding in Austin. Suzanne is a student at the University of Texas in Austin where she is a member of the Texas Women's Alliance. She is a member of the Tarrytown Methodist Church in Austin. She is the Chief of Staff to State Senator Florence Shapiro.

Lucien is also a student at the University of Texas at Austin, where he is a member of Phi Delta Theta, Texas Ducks Unlimited and the Gulf Coast Conservation Association. He is also a member of the Tarrytown Methodist Church in Austin. He is a Legislative Director for the Senate State Affairs Committee

### Thank You

I would like to thank Ronnie Shields for everything he has done for me. He is a very good person.

Curtis Hays

### You are invited to a Bridal Shower

for  
Brooke (Lesly) & Dusty Vinson  
on Saturday, October 5, 2002  
from 10:00 - 11:30 a.m.  
at the First United Methodist Church  
407 S. Haney • Spearman, TX

## Bridal Registry

Krista (Boyd) Dement & Christian Mericle - Sept. 28  
Michelle Schick & Wayne McCubbin - Oct. 5 (Morse)  
Brooke (Lesly) & Dusty Vinson - Oct. 5  
Kimberly Boyd & Jesse Tindell - Oct. 19  
Terri Schrayner & Evan Stubbs - Oct. 26  
Trilby Baldwin & Jeff Hutchison - Nov. 2  
Julie (Jones) & Kent Hendrix - Nov. 23 (Morse)

### Celebrate

Gifts for all your celebrations!

203 Main St. • Spearman, TX

(806) 659-3350

1-800-663-8026

NT

IS

**North Texas Information Systems**  
Spearman, Texas • 664-3233

Computer Sales, Service & Repair  
Computer Networking  
House Calls, Pick up & Delivery  
References Available

- Microsoft Certified Professional •
- CompTIA Certified Professional •
- Member Spearman Chamber of Commerce

Dry Aged

Home Raised

**3J BEEF INC**

VENNEMAN RANCH

3jbeef.com

(806) 882-4635

Home Raising Free

"Beef with Tradition"

## 3J Beef Barn Open House

Sat., Sept. 28th • 1-5 p.m.

• Door Prizes • Beef Tasting •

Tour of Renovated Beef Barn & Clementine Country Guest Houses

Please join us at the 3J Beef Barn or the website 3jbeef.com to receive a 10% discount on any beef pack.

### Directions to The Clementine

**From Spearman:** Take Gruver Hwy 15 west for 1.7 miles to FM 2387; then north on FM 2387 for 9.5 miles to FM 1261 intersection. At intersection go north on 1261 for about 3 miles to Co. Rd. H; then east on Co. Rd. H for 1 mile; The Clementine, a complex of pink houses, will be on the left side of the highway.

**From Gruver:** Take FM 278 east (north of Allsup's) to Hwy. 207; then north on 207 for 9 miles to FM 2535; then east on 2535 to FM 1261; then north on 1261 for about 3 miles to Co. Rd. H; then east on Co. Rd. H for 1 mile; The Clementine, a complex of pink houses, will be on the left side of the highway.

You are invited to a  
Bridal Shower  
for  
Krista (Boyd) & Christian Mericle  
on Saturday, September 28, 2002  
from 2:00 - 3:30 p.m.  
at the Church of Christ Parlor  
121 S. Haney • Spearman, TX

**Golden Spread Carpet Cleaning**

Carpet Sales • Installation  
Service • Cleaning



**202 N. Bernice  
Spearman  
659-3068**

**Send a smile**

Give Teleflora's Be Happy Bouquet

Make them smile for a long, long while. Surprise them with flowers in a bright ceramic mug wearing the world-renowned Happy Face. Perfect for any happy occasion, and so easy to send anywhere in the U.S. or Canada. Just call or visit our shop.



Teleflora.

**Prairie Garden Flowers**  
209 Main Street • Spearman, TX  
659-2212 • 659-3329

**For The Bride & Groom**

*Come by and let us help you set up your special gift table*

**Couples Currently Registered**

Michelle Schick & Wayne McCubbin - Oct. 5 (Morse)  
Dusty & Brooke (Lesly) Vinson - Oct. 5  
Jeff Hutchison & Trilby Baldwin - Nov. 2  
Elizabeth Marie Pipkin & Jim Alexander  
Mandy Jumper & Nathan Kitchens



314 Main  
659-2141

Spearman,  
Texas



# New Teachers at Spearman ISD

## Krista Baird



Krista Baird teaches 4th grade at Gus Birdwell Elementary in Spearman. Baird is married to Todd, a teacher/coach at Spearman ISD, and they have two children, Tanner, 5, and Trenton, 3.

Baird has a BS in Elementary Education with an endorsement in Early Childhood from Northwest Oklahoma State University. She also has a Masters in Mid-Management from Southwest Oklahoma State University.

"I feel very proud to be a new member of the SISD team," stated Baird. "I am looking forward to working with the fantastic staff at Gus Birdwell Elementary and beginning classroom work with my fourth graders."

When not teaching Baird enjoys attending Lynx and Lynxette events, spending time with her family, reading, going to movies and traveling.

## Regina Orr



Regina Orr teaches 4th grade at Gus Birdwell Elementary in Spearman. Orr is married to Steven Orr, and they have three children, Taylor Anne, 7, Jared, 5, and Allison, 1.

She has a BA degree from Wayland Baptist University.

"Gus Birdwell Elementary has a great staff of dedicated teachers," stated Orr. "I am really enjoying working with such wonderful people."

"I have a super group of fourth graders. The best ever!" When not teaching, Orr enjoys reading and spending time with her family and friends.

## Melissa Sutterfield



Melissa Sutterfield teaches 4th grade at Gus Birdwell Elementary in Spearman. Sutterfield is married to Hank, and they have three children, Sawyer, 10, Mabry, 7, and Judd, 10-months.

"I hope to have a wonderful and exciting year," stated Sutterfield.

When asked about her hobbies, Sutterfield stated "I have three children - they are my hobby!"

## Tracy Bevell



Tracy Bevell teaches 6th grade English/Reading at Spearman Junior High. She has a BS from Texas Tech University.

Bevill is married to Steve, and they have two children, Brooke, 19, and Hunter, 17.

"I am excited to be back in teaching after a four-year break," commented Bevell. "I am looking forward to working with this age group."

Bevill's hobbies include gardening, painting and church activities.

## James Eve



James Eve teaches 8th grade math and art at Spearman Junior High. Eve has a Bachelor of General Studies from West Texas A&M University, graduating Magna Cum Laude.

Eve is married to Marla, and they have six children, Ryan, 21, Tiffany, 17, Chris, 15, Brennan, 14, Jacob, 13, and Brian, 12.

"I'm a new teacher, but anxious to become part of a great team," stated Eve. When not at school, Eve enjoys reading, music, art and movies.

## Karen Hartgraves



Karen Hartgraves is the counselor at Spearman Junior High. She has a BS from Tarleton State University, where she was named "Distinguished Student."

She is a member of Delta Zeta Sorority, Order of Omega Honor's Society and has a Master's Degree in Guidance & Counseling.

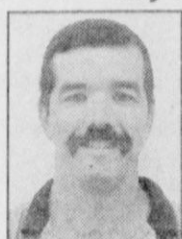
Karen is married to Steve Hartgraves, the CEO at Hansford Hospital. "This community has wonderful support for our school district," commented Hartgraves. "I am looking forward to a great year."

While teaching in the classroom,

prior to counseling, Hartgraves' students earned "Model Classroom." (This is an award given by the Reading Renaissance Academy.)

Hartgraves enjoys spending time with her family and friends, scuba diving, reading and watching movies.

## Jay Pack



Jay Pack teaches 6th and 7th grade math and 7th grade science at Spearman Junior High. Pack has a BS in Engineering from West Texas State University.

He has three children, Chance, 11, Blaine, 9, and Jayme, 6. "This year is going pretty well," commented Pack. "It can be pretty hectic at times, and some days I think I learn as much from the students as they do from me. That's what makes it fun, because for me, it's all about the kids."

"I've wanted to teach ever since I graduated from Spearman High School. It's taken a while to get here, but that's OK. I love what I do and wouldn't want it any other way."

When not teaching, Pack enjoys golf and carpentry.

## Roxie Ralston



Roxie Ralston teaches at Spearman Junior High. She has a BS from West Texas A&M University. Roxie is married to Rex Ralston.

"I am looking forward to a good year," stated Ralston. Her hobbies and interests include reading, cooking and snow skiing.

## Carrie Cenicerros



Carrie Cenicerros is the Nova Net/Computer Lab instructor at Spearman High School. She and her husband, Alfonso, have four children, Christina, 20, Monica, 14, Nic, 13, and Alec, 7.

Cenicerros was formerly employed at First National Bank in Spearman, and has been a substitute teacher for the past few years.

Her interests include reading, flower gardening and cooking. She is very active in the Sacred Heart Catholic Church, and teaches the 4th Grade Sunday School class. "Spearman has a super group of kids," commented Cenicerros.

Johnson is married to Matthew, and they have two children, Sammi, 17, and Brian, 13. Her interests and hobbies include being a rodeo Mom, tennis Mom and softball.

## Alexis Shelton



Alexis Shelton teaches high school and junior high math at Spearman ISD. She has a BS in Mathematics from West Texas A&M University.

Shelton is the daughter of David and Vicky Shelton of Stinnett. When not teaching, she enjoys reading, watching movies, and spending time with her niece, Reilly.

"I am very excited to be a part of such a great school district," stated Shelton. "I hope to become a part of this community."

## Tony Sidwell

Tony Sidwell is the Speech/Theater teacher at Spearman High School.

Sidwell has 17 years of teaching experience. He last taught at

## Kelly Hart



Kelly Hart teaches Sophomore English and Freshman Pre-A.P. English at Spearman High School. Hart has a BA degree from Oklahoma Panhandle State University, where she graduated Magna Cum Laude. While at OPSU she received the JRP Sewell Award and the Geraldine Burns Award for Excellence in English Studies.

Hart is married to Brad and they have three children, Holly, 19, Jerry, 16, and Mary, 9.

"I'm really looking forward to the school year," stated Hart. When not at school, Hart enjoys gardening and reading.

## Sherry Johnson



Sherry Johnson teaches Algebra I, Geometry and Algebra II at Spearman High School. Johnson has a BS from Oklahoma Panhandle State University. She has twelve years of teaching experience, and last taught at Gruver High School.



Lubbock High School where he was named the District 3-SA Director of the Year. He has a BS degree from West Texas A & M University, where he was president of the honor fraternity.

"I am excited to be a part of an outstanding school district," stated Sidwell. When not teaching he enjoys traveling.

## Scott Stedje



Scott Stedje is the Agriculture Science teacher at Spearman High School. Stedje earned his undergraduate degree from Oklahoma State University.

"I have had a very positive experience in Agriculture Science and want to help others do the same," commented Stedje. "I am happy to be at Spearman High School and to be in such a positive environment with a bright future."

Stedje's hobbies include snow boarding and riding mountain bikes.

**Dr. Rick Sheppard, D.D.S.**  
**1-800-687-2010**  
**Family Dentistry • Braces**  
**146 Pioneer • Booker, TX**  
**TEETH FOR A LIFETIME**

**GET ALL THE SECOND CABLE HELPINGS YOU WANT. FREE.**

With Classic Cable, you get your fill:

- Free basic cable on additional TVs.
- Local news, weather, sports.
- National cable channels.
- No equipment to buy.
- No long-term contracts required.

Get **\$9<sup>95</sup> - INSTALLATION** and an **ENTIRE YEAR** of basic cable for just **\$9<sup>95</sup> a month.**

Call now for this limited-time offer.  
**800.999.6845**

**Classic CABLE**  
 STAY HOME. GO FAR.  
 www.classic-cable.com

**THANK YOU!**

New installers customers only. Limited time offer. Availability of programming services subject to change. Taxes not included. Offer applied to services shown. Offer subject to change without notice. Not valid in conjunction with any other offer. Other restrictions may apply.

**Eat & Be Merry At**  
**100 MONKEYS 100**  
**BBQ & STEAK HOUSE**  
 Hotline for Friday & Saturday Nights - 435-3945

We offer Priority Seating!  
 Give us a call before leaving, and we will save you a place in the seating line.  
 When you arrive, check in with the hostess.

**New Menu (10 new items)**  
**Wed. Night - All-You-Can-Eat Catfish**

14 SE 3rd Ave. Perryton, TX

**YOUR SOURCE FOR QUALITY SEED**

Tam 400	7.75 bulk	2137	6.25 bulk
Thunderbolt	7.75 bulk	Jagger	6.25 bulk
Dumas	7.75 bulk	Tam 110	6.25 bulk
Ogallala	7.75 bulk	Weathermaster 135	
Longhorn	7.75 bulk	Beardless Triticale	
CL 502* Clearfield Wheat	Advantage Blend		

\* All seed priced in 50# units

Seed Available in Bulk, Bags and Superbags (2200 lbs)  
 SEED CLEANING AND TREATING  
 Call us today at 800 338-2885  
 for truckload and delivered prices

**Watley Seed Company** 806 659-3838



