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### At A Glance

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### Driving Safety Course Offered On Internet

Anyone with a computer connection to the Internet can now take a driving safety course. TxDriving.Com has been approved by the Texas Education Agency to provide driving safety courses on line. To take the Internet course, students must have a computer, and Internet connection and some standard browsing and viewing software. Completion of the course makes students eligible for ticket dismissal under the Texas Transportation Code. The ten percent insurance discount also applies. Students may complete the course at their own pace and are allowed to log on and off the program with the computer keeping track of the student's progress. The course will take a minimum of six hours to complete. For more information you may access course information at <http://TxDriving.Com> or call 888/595-1911.

### 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.

### Encuentro de Niños

Servicios para estudiantes que necesitan Servicios Especiales de nacimiento hasta 21 años. Los niños de Texas vienen en todos tamaños, formas, colores, y talentos. Todos los niños no aparecen en la misma manera, pero todos aprenden. Si usted conoce a un bebé, niño, o joven que no aprende fácil o está discapacitado y afecta la manera de aprender POR FAVOR tome tiempo para hacer una diferencia. Llame a su distrito local para más información. (Gruver ISD - 733-2031, Spearman ISD - 659-2565, Pringle-Morse CISD - 733-2507, Child Find coordinator at Region 16 Education Service Center - (806)376-5521.

### Festival of Arts & Crafts

Wesley United Methodist Church will be hosting its 21st Annual Festival of Arts and Crafts, December 1st, 2001 from 9:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M., at the Community Center in Hereford, Tx. Only a limited number of booths are available. Booth fee is \$10. Applications may be obtained by writing to Ellen Collins, 801 Miles St., Hereford, Tx 79045 or call (806) 364-0774.



The dedication and ribbon cutting of the new Windmill Park was held on Friday, October 12, 2001. Pictured above are (L-R) Representative Warren Chisum, Burl Buchanan, Ralph Blodgett, Mayor Steve Benton and City Manager Robert Patrick

## Windmill Park Dedication Held

The new Windmill Park, located east of Spearman High School, was dedicated on Friday, October 12, 2001 at 1 p.m.

This park features six newly-renovated tennis courts, a 1/2 mile fully lighted walking trail, windmills from the J.B. Buchanan collection, a covered pavilion area with picnic tables, and playground equipment for children.

The mayor and the council would like to thank Ralph Blodgett for donating the land for the park. This generous donation added over \$170,000 of land value to the grant project which was matched by Parks and Wildlife funds.

Appreciation is also expressed to the Southwestern Pioneer Windmill Association for the donation of the two mills that will be added to the park. These mills will be a wonderful attraction to the park.

Without the support of Mr. Blodgett, the Windmill Association, the Spearman Independent School District School Board, and many citizens, this project would have never been achieved.

The city is in the process of applying for additional grant money to provide trees at the park.

Donations to the park fund may be made by contacting Robert Patrick, Spearman City Manager.

## Teen Read Week



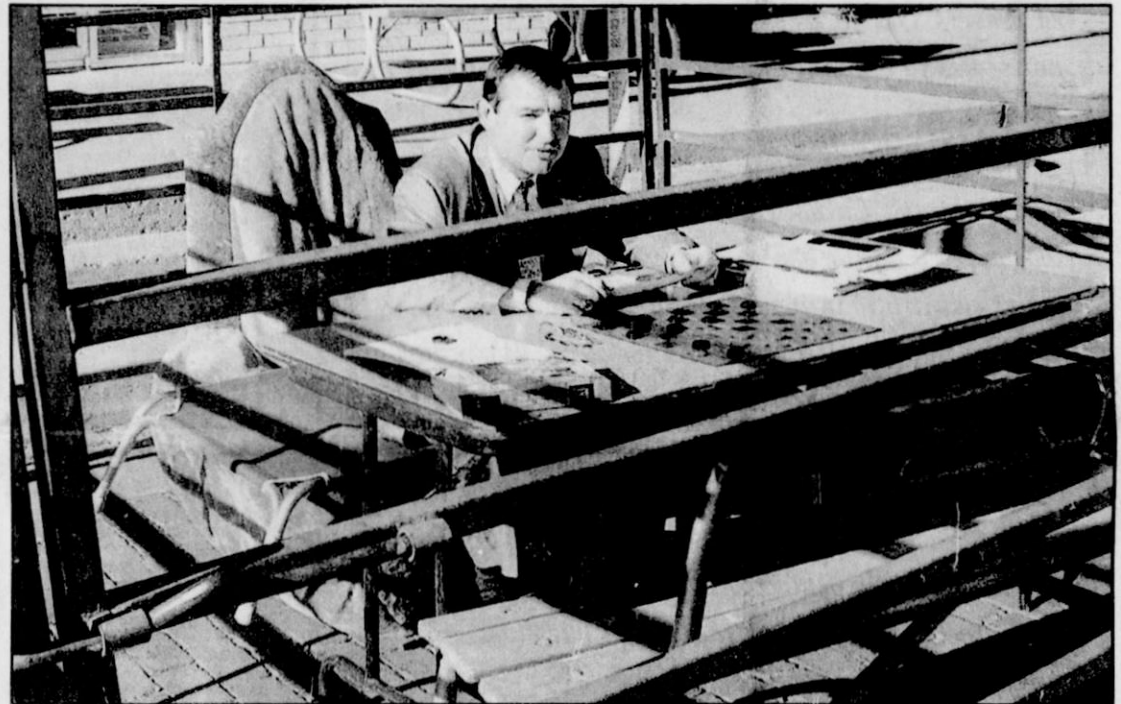
by Sheri Benton

The week of October 15-20, 2001 is Teen Read Week. The Hansford County Library, Spearman High School Library and Spearman Junior High Library are working together to promote reading for teens.

During this week, any student who checks out a book at any of these libraries will be eligible to register for a free pizza party for ten people. There will be one winner selected from the high school entries and one selected from the junior high entries.

The winners will be able to invite nine friends to join them for the pizza party one day during the lunch hour at school.

Hansford County Library will also be giving out bookmarks and bookbags to all teens who check out a book this week. Come by and see our "new and improved" young adult collection, and celebrate Teen Read Week!



The Spearman Chamber of Commerce held a "Jail" on Boss' Day, October 16, 2001 in an effort to raise money for the Chamber Scholarship Fund. "Criminals" were served a "warrant" and taken to jail in front of the Chamber office, where they were allowed to call someone to bail them out of jail for \$20.

Bret Burgin of First State Bank is pictured above as he waits patiently for someone to join him in a game of checkers at the Spearman Chamber of Commerce "jail."

Over 130 "warrants" were issued, raising almost \$2700.

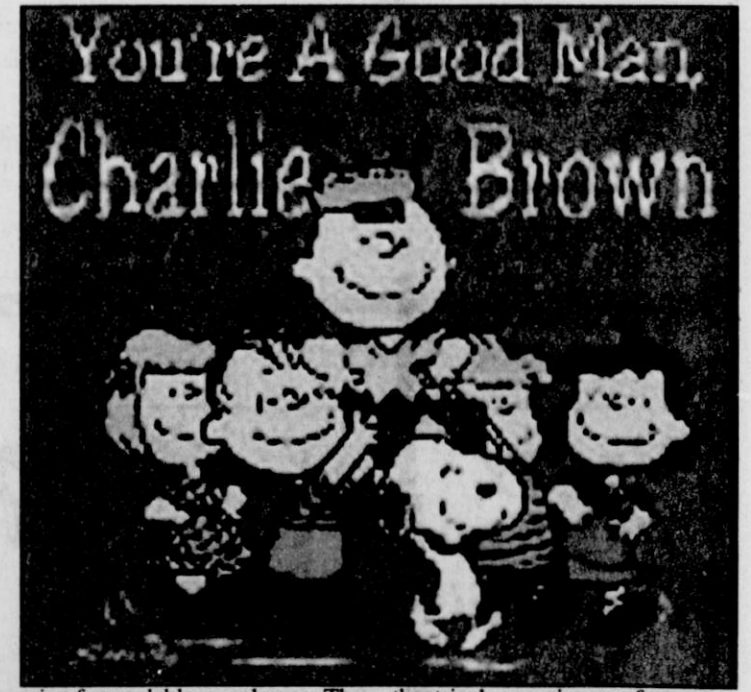
## You're A Good Man, Charlie Brown

Some of the most recognizable characters from Charles Schulz' beloved comic strip "Peanuts" will visit the Spearman High School stage, Saturday October 20th. The performance of the Broadway musical "You're A Good Man, Charlie Brown" is sponsored by the Spearman Lions Club and in part by the O'Loughlin Center in coordination with the Amarillo College Theatre School and Lions Clubs International District 2-T1.

The nineteen member ACTS touring company will begin its day in Spearman with a workshop for young people ages 8-18 in the community. The workshop will be held at Spearman High School auditorium from 1:00 to 3:00 pm. Participants will get to help set up the stage for the evening performance and then attend a theater workshop where they'll work one-on-one with cast members and the production crew. There is no admission charge for the workshop.

That evening, at 7:30 pm, the entire community will be able to see the 90-minute production. It's a series of vignettes featuring the Charlie Brown characters in some familiar scenes from the comic strip. The audience will see Charlie, Linus, Lucy, Snoopy, and a whole range of characters come to life. It's a lighthearted, upbeat family show which begins and ends on a happy, positive note.

There is no charge for admission for the production. The Lions Club is asking for playgoers to bring a



pair of recyclable eyeglasses. The glasses will be collected by the Spearman Lions Club and turned over to District 2-T1 where they are processed Lions International's SightFirst Program and sent to people who cannot afford regular glasses in South America, Africa, and Eastern Europe. Over 200 pairs of glasses were donated at the Amarillo premier of the show September 21.

The Amarillo College Theatre School is in its 22nd year of operation. It provides a wide variety of

theatrical experiences for young people ages 8-18. This is one of two casts which will be touring the show to five Panhandle cities and locations in New Mexico and Colorado.

For more information on the Spearman performance, contact Page Pickering, 659-5736, 659-5544. If you have questions concerning the workshop, call Cindy Blackman, 659-3233 or theatre/arts teacher for Spearman High School, Mandy Manning, 659-2584.



Don Townsend (right) President of First National Bank of Spearman congratulates George Young of KRDF-FM upon his retirement from the radio station.

## Reporter-Statesman Seeking List of Military Personnel

The Hansford County Reporter-Statesman is seeking to compile a list of all active military personnel and reservists from Hansford County.

Please call the newspaper office at (806) 659-3434, fax to (806) 659-3368, or e-mail information to [CathyRSmit@aol.com](mailto:CathyRSmit@aol.com).

Please include the persons name, rank, address, and branch of service. Also include the name of relatives who still live in Hansford County.

We would like to have this list completed by November 5, 2001.



# Meetings & Minutes

Laugh  
and  
Live



by Catherine R. Smith  
CathyRSmit@aol.com

A couple of weeks ago I shared a prayer by Max Lucado with you. This week I would like to share a few other thoughts by Mr. Lucado on the state of our nation in the aftermath of the terrorist attacks last month.

Four thousand gathered for mid-day prayer in a downtown cathedral. A New York City church, filled and emptied six times that first day. The owner of a Manhattan tennis shoe store threw open his doors and gave running shoes to those fleeing the towers. People stood in line to give blood, in hospitals to treat the sick, in sanctuaries to pray for the wounded.

America was different that week. We wept for people we did not know. We sent money to families we've never seen. Talk-show hosts read Scriptures, journalists printed prayers. Our focus shifted from fashion hemlines and box scores to orphans and widows and the future of the world.

We were different that week. Republicans stood next to Democrats. Catholics prayed with Jews. Skin color was covered by the ash of burning towers. This is a different country than it was a few weeks ago.

We're not as self-centered as we were. We're not as self-reliant as we were. Hands are out. Knees are bent. This is not normal. And I have to ask the question, "Do we want to go back to normal?"

Are we being given a glimpse of a new way of life? Are we, as a nation, being reminded that the enemy is not each other, and the power is not in ourselves, and the future is not in our bank accounts?

Could this unselfish prayerfulness be the way God intended for us to live all along? Maybe this, in his eyes, is the way we are called to live. And perhaps the best response to this tragedy is to refuse to go back to normal.

We can resolve to care more. We can resolve to pray more. And we can resolve that, God being our helper, we'll never go back to normal again.

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

Numbers 6:24-26

Catherine :)

## Hansford Hospice Meets

The Hansford Hospice volunteers met in a regular meeting October 8, 2001, and decided that the Hospice Memorial service will be November 18 at 3:00 PM at the United Methodist Church of Spearman. They also decided that the Lights of Love ceremony will be December 3, 2001, at 6:30 PM at Hansford Manor. Hospice members will meet to decorate November 26, 2001, at 1:00 PM.

In other business, officers were elected for the coming year. Those elected were Verna Lee Shirley, president; Doyle and June Jackson, vice-president; Pat Sutterfield, treasurer; Jo Linda Hutchison, secretary; Donnie Mitchell, reporter; Linda Latta, historian; and Betty Jean Davis, corresponding secretary.

Also, the mayors of Spearman and Gruver will be asked to proclaim November as Hospice Month.

The Hansford Hospice volunteers and the O'Loughlin Center sponsored the program for this meeting. Florene Watson of Borger presented a program on her adventures as a pilot during WWII.

## Spearman Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors Meets

On Thursday, October 11, 2001, the Spearman Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors met at noon at the Palo Duro Cafe.

Members present were: Sharon Cook, Lenny Pecha, Carolyn McLeod, Rosalee Bueno, Justin Boyd, Linda Coombs, and special guest, Kimberley Lopez. Absent: Robert Patrick, Page Pickering, Bill Pittman, Lynanne Maize, Rosi Martinez, Bob Davis, Rod Sumner, Missy Bates, Scot Martin, Donna McCubbin, Tindle Ramon, and Sergio Vargas.

President Sharon Cook called the meeting to order. First item on the agenda was Kimberley Lopez. She informed the board about the new Big Brothers/Sisters program in school, called Bigs in Schools.

Minutes of the last meeting were approved. There was some discussion on the financials. Gina reported that the EDC workshop expenses were less than had first been planned and that the EDC had voted to help with the cost of it.

Retail Merchants: Linda Coombs reported that the *Stuff Your Stocking Promotion* was going great and that participation

was better than expected. There is nearly \$4000 committed at this time and will be bigger than any prize package ever given. Drawings will take place in December with the first week being \$100, 2nd week \$200, 3rd week \$500, and the grand prize the balance of money/gift certificates after advertising.

Boss's Day will be the jail event on Tuesday, October 16 at the Chamber.

The Chamber is considering having a New Year's Eve Dinner/Dance. Lenny will investigate bands and we will decide at the next meeting.

The Chamber will have the next meeting on Thursday, November 8, in the evening. We will try to have one meeting per quarter in the evening.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

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Sunday School: 10 a.m.  
Worship Service: 11 a.m.  
Sun. Eve. 5 p.m.  
Wed. Prayer Mtg: 7 p.m.  
Pastor - Roland Haney

**First Assembly of God**  
401 N. Bernice • 659-2295  
Sunday School: 9:30 a.m.  
Worship: 10:35 a.m.  
Kid's Church: 10:35 a.m.  
Evening Worship: 7 p.m.  
Wed. Worship: 7:30 p.m.  
Youth: 7:30 Wednesday  
Pastor - Walter Greaser, Jr.

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

**First Baptist Church**  
123 N. Bernice • 659-5557  
Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.  
Worship: 11 a.m.  
Evening Worship: 7 p.m.  
Wed. Fellowship Meal: 6 p.m.  
Wed. Disc. Time: 6:30 p.m.  
Wed. Youth Mtg.: 8 p.m.  
Pastor - Patrick Six

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

**Sacred Heart Catholic Church**  
901 Roland • 659-2792  
Sat. Night Mass: 5:30 p.m.  
Sun. Mass: 9 a.m. - English  
(aired on KRDF-FM 98.3)  
Sun. Mass: 11:30 - Spanish  
1:30 p.m. - Gruver - Christo  
Redentor Mass - Spanish  
Rev. Scott Rael

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

### First Presbyterian Church

(Worships with Lutheran)  
1021 Cotter • 659-2633  
Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. at  
Lutheran Church  
Worship: 11 a.m.  
(alternates monthly between Lutheran &  
Presbyterian Church Bldg.)  
Pastor - Beverly Cook

### Faith Lutheran Church (ELCA)

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

### First United Methodist

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

### Union Church

31 S. Endicott • 659-2644  
Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.  
Worship: 11 a.m.  
Evening Worship: 6 p.m.  
Bible Study: 7 p.m. Wed.  
Pastor - Bill Sparks

### Fellowship Baptist

1102 S. Archer • 659-2783  
Sunday School: 10 a.m.  
Worship: 10:45 a.m.  
Sun. Evening Worship: 6 p.m.  
Youth/Adult Serv.: 7:30 Wed.  
Pastor - Gene Foster

### Primera Mision Bautista

502 E. 7th • 659-3991  
Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.  
Worship: 11 a.m.  
Evening: 6 p.m.  
Wed. Prayer Meeting: 7 p.m.  
Thurs. Visitation: 7 p.m.

### El Aposento Alto U.P.C.I.

1105 S. Roland  
Domingos,  
Escuela-Dominical - 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

### Waka

Waka Church of the Brethren  
435-4598

### 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: 7:30 p.m.

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

**Oslo Lutheran Church (ELCA)**  
9 Miles West & 12 Miles  
North of Gruver  
339-7709  
Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.  
Worship: 11 a.m.  
Pastor - Paul Fiske

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

**Spanish Cristo Redentor Church**  
Sunday Mass: 1:30 p.m.  
Friday Evening Mass  
Summer - 8:00 p.m.  
Fall/Winter - 7:30 p.m.

### Morse

**Morse Baptist Church**  
733-2757  
Pastor - Mike Martin



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**October 18**  
**Birthdays** - Taos Weldon, Don Knox, Wilson McClellan, Jeff Hutchison, Angelica Arjona, Floyd Dean Gattin, Chris Williamson, Elaine Swan, David Parker, Jan Morgan, Marla Bullard, Courtney Baca, Kristian Faith Burke, Ramiro Morales, Mike Gift  
**Anniversary** - Mr. & Mrs. Dave Christian

**October 19**  
**Birthdays** - Brian Gillispie, Joe Lopez Sr., Colton Mayfield, Carol Tolleson, Phyllis Owens, Joe Vanderburg, Marietta Davis, Ken Shufeldt, Calvin Garrard, Jeremy Blan, Harold Anderson, Brenda Lee Soto, Wayne Pierson, Kathy Bryant, Bill Park, Merry Wheelock, Doran Schoenhals, Kenneth Schufeldt  
**Anniversary** - Mr. & Mrs. Jimmy Traylor

**October 20**  
**Birthdays** - Marilyn Been, Kelly Boone, Brock Irwin, Deanda Widener, Danny Ray Hendricks, Owen Montgomery, Melissa Cochran, Sid McAdams, Deborah Bishop, Billy Jones, Amy Stinson, Cara Nichols, Misty Volden, Jeffrey Swan, Carrie Cenicerros, Angela Vela, Ori Cooksey, Cindy Sasser  
**Anniversary** - Mr. & Mrs. George Jackson, Ladd & Cathy Gafford Smith.

**October 21**  
**Birthdays** - Don Hudson, Tammy McLain, Bill Cope, Eschol Blankenship, Brad Brown, Terry Austin, Kay Vernon, Dannie Garrard, Leslie Merritt Holton, Wade Burgess, Kathy Beck, Irene Tindell, Ed Williamson, Michael James Avila, Brian McLaughlin, Jana McCloy, Kara Townsen, Candy Boxwell, Trish Rosales

**October 22**  
**Birthdays** - Kurt Etling, Gertrude Archer, Danna Martin, Brent Ware, Guenna Wilson, Margaret Espinosa, Jared Hohertz, Sharon Austin, Misty Hand, Katie Sparks, Nae Gonzales, Charlie McIver, Britney Montgomery, Gregory Jacops, Matthew Younger  
**Anniversary** - Mr. & Mrs. Jerry Virden, Mr. & Mrs. Steve Watkins

**October 23**  
**Birthdays** - Annette McCloy, Mallory Reid, Clois (Billy) Baker, Christopher Mitchum, Rhema Dell Harris, Melanie Cook, Kerri Young, Tamra Young, Bruce Goehring, Ewain Fletcher  
**Anniversary** - Mr. & Mrs. Joe Harris, Lynn & Sharon Cook, Mr. & Mrs. Joe Morris

**October 24**  
**Birthdays** - Sonny Blankenship, Gregg Haight, Doug Brown, Joyce Pierce, Lance Dennis, Christina Cenicerros, Josephine Ayers, Tony Gaspar, Sherry Johnson, Sonny Windom  
**Anniversary** - Mr. & Mrs. Don Lane Whitefield, Mr. & Mrs. Don Moore, Mr. & Mrs. James Walker, Mr. & Mrs. Tim Garland

**October 25**  
**Birthdays** - Bailey Barkley, Cindy Barkley, Opal Johnson, Mark McCloy, Samuel Sanchez, Floydette Seal, Norma Daniel, Willie Joe Salgado, Junior DeLaCruz, Sheryl Stafford, Roman Arnold, Billy Clark  
**Anniversary** - Mr. & Mrs. Tony Pacheco, Van & Kathy Lewis, Art & Teresa Maestas

**October 26**  
**Birthdays** - Michael Foster, Laina Grotegutt, Amy Mounts, Elizabeth O'Connell, Evelyn Brillhart, Jeanette Allen, Becky Evans, Ginger Nelson, Myrna Biggers, Mari West, Bradley Mares, Tracy Taylor, Mary Wright, Lindy Weldon, Pete Vera, Forrest Lopez, DeeDee Moreno  
**Anniversary** - Mr. & Mrs. Ramiro Arjona, Mr. & Mrs. Rod Been

**October 27**  
**Birthdays** - Chase Lamb, Kathy Logsdon, Shea Lowe, Tim Stedje, Carole Stumpf, Carl Close, Sheila Schneider, Leslie Swan, Kelli Butts, Shanynn Nitschke, Tanya Tittle, Katrina Hughes, Scott Harris, Kent Tice, Devin Arrington, Angie Salgado, Ivan Briones, Lynn Crum, Michael Torres  
**Anniversary** - Mr. & Mrs. Jerry Trout

**October 28**  
**Birthdays** - Debra Burk, Bobby Hicks, Steve Thomas, Margaret Harnish, Shelly Mitchell, Tammie Hogan, Jorge Vaquera, Rose Bratton, Elissa Conley, Clint Jackson  
**Anniversary** - Mr. & Mrs. Reynaldo Garza, Mr. & Mrs. Gene Cudd, Mr. & Mrs. Bobby Miller

**October 29**  
**Birthdays** - Sue Hartranft, Kandy Montgomery, Cecil Reynolds, Zetha Blackburn, Mike Butts, Mac Butts, Jeff Price, Dale Harris, Richard Goehring, Christina Bartz  
**Anniversary** - Larry & Pam Jones, Mr. & Mrs. Hix Spivey, Dr. & Mrs. Clint Irwin, Carol & Danny Rushing

**October 30**  
**Birthdays** - Amy Babbs, Eva Dawn Spivey, Kandace Boyd, Jace Dawson, Carey Kauffman, Kelly McCloy, Marguerite Nelson, Donna Williams, Nordeen Cochran, Doris Jean Pipkin, Orlalinda Vela, Clayton Scribner, Herb Hager, Kyle Pearson, Richard Booth, Mrs. DeLuna, Mason Tindell, Taylor Simpson, Albert Graves

## Our Deepest Sympathy

### BECKY ALEXANDER

Becky Alexander, 47, of Amarillo, died Tuesday, Oct. 9, 2001 at Northwest Texas Hospital in Amarillo.  
 Miss Alexander was born in Farmington, N.M., in 1954, and moved to Morse, TX in 1964. She attended school in both Morse and Pringle, and graduated from Spearman High School. She moved to Amarillo and earned her Certified Nursing Degree, continuing as a CNA in several local hospitals and nursing homes. She lived in Amarillo the past 30 years.  
 Survivors include her mother, Gretchen Alexander of Fruitland; a brother, Rick Alexander of Kenai, Alaska; a sister, Leslei Spalding of Kenai; and her grandmothers, Polly Cline of Fruitland and Sybil Alexander of Farmington, N.M.; uncles Gary Cline, Jack Cline, Jerry Alexander, Kenneth Alexander, Mark Alexander and David Alexander; aunts Judy Cline and Beth Alexander; and many nieces, nephews and cousins.  
 Becky was preceded in death by her father, Alvin Ray Alexander, and a brother, Robert Clay Alexander.  
 Cremation has taken place and burial will be in Alaska at a later date. Memorial services will be at a later date in Fruitland, N.M. Arrangements were by Boxwell Brothers Funeral Directors, 2820 Virginia Circle.

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## HANSFORD HAPPENINGS

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

**Police Department Asking For Cell Phones**  
 The Spearman Police Department, the Gruver Police Department and the Sheriff's Department are asking for cell phones for their Operation 911 program to put cell phones in the hands of all Spearman, Gruver and Morse teachers. Turn in hand-held cell phones at the Sheriff's Department or call 659-4140 or 733-2901 for pickup.

**Fund Established For Holt Schoolhouse Memorial**  
 The Holt community TEEA (Home Demonstration) club has established a Holt Schoolhouse Memorial fund for those who wish to remember their friends and neighbors with a memorial donation. Please send any contributions to this fund to Diana Thorpe, HCR 1, Box 58, Spearman; Audene Beck, HCR 1, Box 28A, Spearman; or to any member of the Holt Club.

**New Rural Addresses**  
 If you now receive your mail on a rural route in Hansford County, you may not be aware that your mailing address has changed, or is in the process of changing. The post office is now required to use the 9-1-1 emergency address number as the official mailing address of residents. The new numbers were sent earlier this year to all residents who have been affected.  
 If you have lost the notification of this new address, or did not receive it, call 1-800-687-7911.

The Hansford County Reporter-Statesman is asking that as soon as a subscriber receives this new address, to please call (806) 659-3434, or come by the office with the new address.

**Cattlemen to Re-record Brands in Fall of 2001**  
 The Hansford County District Clerk's office wants to remind cattlemen in the county that the re-recording period for brands and other marks will begin September 1, 2001 and run through February 28, 2002.

If your brands are registered in other counties in the state of Texas, you will need to contact the office of the County Clerk in that county to re-register your brand.

**Farm Service Agency Loan Funds**  
 Farm Service Agency reserves direct and guaranteed loan funds each year to help Socially Disadvantaged Applicants (SDA) buy and operate family sized farms and ranches. These under-served farmers, SDA, are a group whose members have been subjected to racial, ethnic or gender prejudice because of their identity as members of the group without regard to their individual qualities. These groups include women, Blacks, American Indians, Alaskan Natives, Hispanics, Asians and Pacific Islanders.

People who think they may be eligible, whether they already are in farming or would like to become farmers, are urged to contact the local FSA Service Center in their area or contact Mike Heck, Farm Loan Manager for FSA at (806) 436-6597, ext. 2.

**Finish Your GED by December 2001**  
 The race is on! All current GED students must pass all five tests and earn their GED diploma by December 2001, or start over. After the new GED tests are introduced in January 2002, only those test scores will count toward earning a GED diploma. All GED classes are free, and begin on Tuesday, October 9th at 6:30 at Spearman High School. To register, or for more information, contact Cindy Blackman, Community Resource Coordinator, at 659-3233.

**Amarillo Veteran's Hospital Offers Flu Shots**  
 The Amarillo VA Health Care System will offer flu shots on October 27th from 9 a.m.-3 p.m., November 3rd from 12 noon-6 p.m., and December 8th from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Veteran's Hospital in Amarillo.

**4-H Members Selling Smoked Meats**  
 4-H members across Hansford County are selling smoked meats for their annual fund raising efforts. Products available include smoked hams, turkey, peppered turkey breasts, smoked or peppered bacon, beef or chicken fajitas and sausage links. Funds benefit the awards program and recognition banquet for all 4-H members. Orders must be received by October 17th, with a delivery 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.

**Fund Established For Al Smith Family**  
 A dedicated fund has been established at First State Bank by the Fellowship Baptist Church to help the Al Smith family meet living expenses while Al fights leukemia. For information on how you may help, contact Gene Foster, 659-1713 (evenings) or Cecilia Foster, 659 2231 (Hansford County Library) during the day.

**Introduction To Personal Computers Beginners Class**  
 Four classes will be held, October 23, October 25, October 30, and November 1. Class time will be 6:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m. Lisa Short will serve as class instructor. Cost of the class is \$50. To enroll or for more information, contact Cindy Blackman, 659-3233

**E-Mail Addresses**  
 If you would like to be included on the Spearman High School e-mail list, please call the high school at 659-2584 and give Mrs. Pipkin or Mrs. Batton your e-mail address. E-Mail will be used throughout the year to communicate useful information to parents.

**Bigs In Schools Orientation**  
 An orientation session for those interested in learning more about Bigs In Schools, the school based mentoring program from Big Brothers Big Sisters, will be held October 23rd at 6:30 PM at the First National Bank. A Bigs in Schools volunteer is matched with a child from Spearman Elementary and they meet together once a week during the school day. For more information call Cindy Blackman at 659-3233 or Big Brothers Big Sisters toll free at 1877-716-3424.

**Eating Healthy While Controlling Diabetes**  
 The third session in the series on Diabetes Management will be held Wednesday, October 24, from 12-1 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall of Spearman Church of Christ. Steven Fike, Registered Dietician and Certified Diabetes Educator, will speak about how you can eat well balanced but full meals even when you have diabetes. You can eat out or go to parties and still maintain your nutrition! This free program is open to patients, their families and the entire community. Diabetic recipes will be provided. Donations for lunch will be accepted. The series is sponsored by Texas Cooperative Extension Service and Baptist Saint Anthony Health System. Please call Peggy Winegarner, County Extension Agent, at 659-4131 or 733-2901 for more information.

**Making Money Decisions In A Time Of Uncertainty**  
 Nancy Granovsky, Professor and Extension Family Economics Specialist for Texas Cooperative Extension, will present information about the current economic situation and what it means for consumer decision making and financial planning, at a Lunch & Learn, Tuesday, October 30, at 12-1 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall of Spearman Church of Christ. She may also focus on some of the main financial planning issues especially affecting women. Nancy is a Certified Financial Planner and frequent presenter on the topic of "Financial Resources on the World Wide Web". The free program is sponsored by Texas Cooperative Extension Service. Donations for lunch are accepted. Please call Peggy Winegarner, County Extension Agent, at 659-4130 or 733-2901 for more information.

**Apostolic Faith Bible College Choir Concert**  
 The Apostolic Faith Bible College Choir will be in concert at the Apostolic Faith Church on Monday, October 22, 2001 at 7 p.m. The choir is under the direction of superintendent Savoy Grimmer, formerly of Spearman.

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by Dorothy Hudson

# Lynx Whip West Texas

by Jeff Beedy

The Lynx traveled to Stinnett Friday night, October 12th to take on the West Texas High Comanches to see who was going to own district 6-2A. It was a cold, windy fall evening and, after the dust settled and the yellow flags quit flying, the Lynx emerged victorious 26-21.

This game was billed as one of the top games in the area and proved to be just that. The Lynx took a commanding lead early, but WT got back in the game late in the second quarter. The Comanches almost pulled off an upset late in the fourth quarter, but the Lynx would not be denied. This Lynx team fights until the bitter end and does not know what the word "quit" means! This was a huge victory for the Lynx!

John Brock had a great game as he officially rushed for 168 yards on 26 carries with 4 touchdowns behind the great blocking of the offensive line.

Brock's first TD of the night came at the 4:25 mark in the first quarter as he ran it in from 4 yards out. Eduard Vasquez' PAT kick was good and the Lynx took an early lead 7-0.

The Lynx held WT on their next possession, and Spearman's next drive started from their own 17 yard line. On 2nd and 8 from the 19, Kevin Beedy found Colton Miller deep over the middle and Miller was wrestled down at the Lynx 47 yard line. A couple of plays later, Brock broke loose and ran to the 2 yard line before being tackled. On the next play, Brock ran it in for another TD with 10:32 left in the 2nd quarter. The PAT was good and Spearman increased their lead to 14-0.

After a short kickoff into a stiff north wind, the Comanches started their 3rd possession of the night on their own 48 yard line. On 2nd and 19, WT's Riley Smith found a wide open receiver deep downfield for a touchdown with 9:11 left in the second quarter. The PAT kick failed and the score was 14-6 in favor of the Lynx.

Spearman had good field possession at their own 49 and start their next drive. On 2nd and 8 from the 47, Brock ran the counter up the middle and rambled down to the 9 yard line before being tackled. The WT defense stiffened and the Lynx had a 4th and goal from the 1 yard line. It looked like Brock was taking Southwest Airline's flight 85 as he took to the air and flew over the line and dove into the end zone for his third TD of the night. The PAT kick failed and Spearman led 20-6 with 6:14 left before intermission.

West Texas had great field position as they ran the kick-off back to their own 40 yard line. They moved the ball into Lynx territory with time running out in the first half. On 2nd and 10, Lance Baker intercepted Smith's pass in the end

zone, but it was nullified because of a personal foul against the Lynx. WT kept possession and a few plays later on 3rd and goal from the 8, WT found a receiver open in the end zone for the touchdown with :30 left in the half. The PAT once again failed and the Lynx went into halftime leading 20-12.

The Comanches started the second half going into the stiff north wind from their own 30 yard line. The Lynx had 35 yards worth of penalties and WT moved the ball down to the Lynx 9 yard line. On 4th and goal from the 8, Baker tipped the pass and it fell incomplete. Spearman took over on downs. The Lynx failed to move the ball and lined up to punt from their own 8 yard line. The ball was snapped over the punter's head and rolled into the end zone for a safety. That made the score 20-14.

WT could not move the ball on their next possession and had to punt to the Lynx, who took over at their own 41 yard line. They moved the ball down to the WT 20 yard line as time ran out in the 3rd quarter. A few plays later, the Lynx had a 1st and goal from the 4. Brock ran in on the next play for the touchdown with 9:53 left in the 4th quarter. Miller was stopped short of the goal line on the two point conversion and the Lynx increased their lead to 26-14.

Spearman's defense held WT on a 4th down conversion from the Lynx 34 yard line. The Lynx could not move the ball and had to punt back to the Comanches. WT started this drive on their own 43 yard line. They converted on several third down plays and also converted on two fourth down plays to keep this drive alive. On first and goal from the 8 with 1:48 left in the game, WT completed a pass in for the TD. The PAT kick was good and the score was 26-21.

The Lynx got the ensuing kickoff on the WT 49 yard line after the Comanches tried an on-sides kick that failed. Spearman had a 4th and 5 from the WT 34 yard line with :45 left in the game. They were going to try to make a first down and run out the clock, but the Lynx were called for illegal procedure that backed them up 5 yards. They had to punt and give the ball back to the Comanches. Luckily, WT threw incomplete on 4th down, and the Lynx took over and ran out the clock to seal the victory 26-21.

This was a very exciting and typical game between these two teams. The Lynx could have really felt the pressure and given up, but they rose to the occasion and pulled out the victory.

The Lynx are going to have to cut down on their penalties. A lot of their penalties came on defense, which kept the WT drive alive. I know that the Lynx learned a lot from this game and will improve next week. Overall, they played a great game!

**Defensive Stats**  
**Rushing:** 31-106 yds; **Passing:** 14-34-157 yds; **Total:** 263 yds 10 1st downs

**Offensive Stats**  
**Rushing:** John Brock 26-168 yds 4 TD's, Colton Miller 9-25 yds, Kevin Beedy 7-38 yds, Eduard Vasquez 3-13 yds; **Total Rushing:** 45-244 yds 4 TD's; **Passing:** Kevin Beedy 1-2-28 yds, John Brock 0-1-0 yds; **Receiving:** Colton Miller 1-28 yds; **Total Offense:** 272 yds 16 1st downs

**Players of the Week**  
**Defense:** J.D. Shufeldt and Colton Miller; **Offense:** John Brock and Coy Herrington

## What's Happening

### This Week

**Lynx Play Clarendon Friday**  
 The Spearman Lynx will host the Clarendon Broncos this Friday at Lynx Stadium. The game will start at 7:30 p.m.

The Lynx are coming off a huge win against West Texas last Friday, and are in the driver's seat in the district race.

Clarendon throws the ball between 40 and 50 times a game, so the Lynx secondary could test this week.

The Lynx should be ready, and we are all looking for another victory Friday night. Good luck, Lynx!

### Cross Country Goes To District

The Cross Country teams will travel to Canadian on Monday, October 22nd for the District 6-2A Meet.

The cross country teams did not participate in the Canyon meet, so maybe they will be rested up for district.

Good luck Lynx and Lynettes!

### JV Will Play Gruver Thursday

The JV Lynx football team will play Gruver Thursday at Greyhound Stadium at 6:30 p.m. They were originally scheduled to be open this week, but the coaches were able to schedule this game.

The junior high will have a combined 7th and 8th grade game at 5:00 p.m. at Lynx stadium against Clarendon.

## Out At The Lake



Picture of Tommy Tucker of Hooker, and Joe Malin of Kansas, holding two 15 pound catfish and three catfish that totaled 25 pounds--all caught at Lake Palo Duro.

Lake Depth--October 15, 2001--39.01 feet

Jim says there is something wrong with this reading. Last week the reading was 38.67, and they have not had rain at the Lake. We have a new serviceman for the automatic sensor, which is a pressure transducer.

There was one camper on each side Saturday night. Sometime this week the restrooms are to be closed for the winter.

Fishing has been good. The fish in the picture were caught on Wednesday. Later in the week Red Byrd caught a 12.5 pound and a 10 pound catfish. Victor (sorry I don't have the last name) had 3 good eating size ones. Charley Laxton caught a new personal best on Sunday. This one was 19 pounds, topping the other one by 2 pounds.

They are mainly fishing with shad, although there is some use of perch.

Marva Hohertz called Jim this morning to report An Unforgettable Moment. Sunday afternoon Bob and Marva with

Patty Spoonemore and Robert Veselka had driven out to the Park for a picnic on the north side of the dam. They had 3 adult deer come up as they were eating, but they missed the pelicans they had hoped to see. On their way back to Spearman by the Perryton road, they saw a dead deer by the side of the road as they came up on top. An animal was dining on the venison. It stood for sometime looking

at them, moved down the road a little way, still watching them, and then went under the fence and sat in some weeds, but it was still visible and still waiting for them to leave so it could go back to dinner. It was a beautiful, well fed lynx or bobcat. They estimated it weighed between 40 to 45 pounds.

Marva, who grew up at Canadian, is very familiar with bobcats, and she felt she had seen a lynx, because of its ears and broader face.

The Mammals of Texas does not recognize that lynx might come down from Colorado to the northern rim of counties in the Panhandle, but this has been a strange year for the mountain animals. I understand black bears have been seen near Dalhart, so why not a lynx just over the Oklahoma line into Texas. Thanks for sharing, Marva.

From a good Unforgettable Moment, we go to a bad one. Last Friday a fishing party that had two small boys with them, had brought their boat in and were prepared to load the boat on the trailer. The father had backed the trailer down the boat ramp into the water. He got out to check the location and left his younger son in the pickup. The boy, seeing this as a chance to drive, pushed the gear out of Park, and the pickup began rolling backwards into the Lake. The father was able to rescue the boy, but unable to stop the backward motion of the truck. It wound up completely submerged.

Two vehicles working together were able to pull the pickup out. This cautionary tale is to remind the rest of us to not leave small children unattended in a car or truck, and to use that emergency brake.

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# Open Letter

Dear Editor,

We would like to thank the person or persons who found our donkey and Mexican man lawn ornaments that were stolen out of our yard. We would also like to thank the police department for delivering them back to our yard.

Now we would like to ask for your help again.

We had a ceramic mother and baby armadillo, a mother and baby rabbit, and a pink flamingo stolen from our yard recently. They were given to Fay for her birthday, so we would really like to get them back.

If anyone knows anything about these items, we would appreciate it if you would bring them back home with no questions asked.

Thank You,  
Don & Faye Schmehr

Dear Editor,

I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone in this area for their continued support of the Panhandle Crisis Center. Most recently, through monetary contributions and donations of school supplies, we were able to help approximately 15 Hansford area children get a good start again this school year.

I also want to mention some local businesses who helped us with this process by being designated collection sites for the school supplies. Sincere thanks go out to Dollar General, ALCO, and the Hansford Co. Reporter-Statesman for their help in this area.

I want to say a very, very special "thank you" to everyone at First Christian Church, for allowing me to use their church to sort and distribute the school supplies and for putting up with my mess during the process. This chore would have been next to impossible without use of this space. Also at the church, and on a more personal note, thank you to Jamie, Volunteer Extraordinaire, who literally did this part of my job while I had to be at a conference the first week of school.

On behalf of Panhandle Crisis Center and all the children who have benefited from this generous and caring community, please accept our humble thanks.

Sincerely,  
Marsha Neely  
Children's Advocate, Panhandle Crisis Center

# Among The Neighbors

by Helen Fisher

October 31st rears its eerie head, complete with goblins and ghosts, and Ray Gibson does his part in giving them a hand. Ray, nearing his retirement age (middle 90s) has returned from his annual trip to buy pumpkins.

The retirement of George Young last week left an unanswered question - is Virginia going to also retire after 30 years at Gordon's Drug? Just semi!

George moved to Spearman from Dallas in 1971, and he and Virginia were married later in that same year. She was from Reydon, OK.

Both their daughters were born in Spearman and finished high school here. Debbie Bowman lives in Amarillo, and Cindy Avila lives in Spearman.

Cindy and Alfred Avila are the parents of Cha'tae and Michael, who attend school here. Grandchildren Amanda and Justin Bowman live with George and Virginia, and also attend school here.

George plans to enjoy his wood-working hobby in his spare time. Virginia has had no time to develop any hobbies, but will welcome any kind of leisure.

So, Youngs, enjoy - and good luck to both.

Bob and Candy Boxwell spoke by phone to daughter, Regan, this weekend.

She is in Madrid, Spain and all is well. She teaches in a private language school.

Francis and Gene Cudd had guests a few days the past week. Her sister and brother-in-law, Grace and Rodney Harmon, came up from south of Houston. They were accompanied by their son, Ron, and his wife. They also visited other relatives.

Last weekend was a fun-filled and memory-filled one for Cheryl

Gibson-Salgado and friends when old comrades gathered. Leslie Alexander Spalding (class of '76) of Kenai, Alaska and her brother, Rick Alexander (class of '78) of Soldotna, Alaska, arrived on Saturday.

Rick was a guest of Kyle Nollner, a former classmate.

Joining Cheryl was another Spearman Ex, Nikke Jones Clark, now of Canute, OK. Other Spearman Alumni gathered for reminiscing and adding new memories.

Although all enjoyed the return of old friends, there was sympathy for the initial reason for the Alaskans to be in Texas. Their sister, Becky Alexander, had passed away in Amarillo. She also attended school in Spearman.

The Amarillo Globe-News carried the obituary for Dr. J.E. Gerber, 78, who passed away on October 12.

He was born in Spearman on June 23, 1923 and graduated from high school here in 1941, and had attended several school reunions. He enjoyed a distinguished military career, receiving several awards.

His sister, Margie Dillon, also formerly of Spearman, is now in Lubbock. He passed away in hospice in Lubbock.

Guests of Sybil and Billy Miller were Danny and Donna Robertson of Midland. He is the son of the late Sylvia and Ray Robertson.

On Sunday, Sybil accompanied them to Amarillo to see the theatrical production presented by the theater arts department of Amarillo College. His niece, Sage Annen, was featured in the presentation.

The U.S. Tennis Association (not connected to schools), which covers the Northwest part of

Texas, held a tournament in Lubbock last weekend. It was for girls under 14 and boys under 18.

Spearman participants made a good showing.

Lindsey Short went into the finals, and Jordan Short into the semi-finals. They are daughters of Kyle & Lisa.

Jena Cherry went to the consolation finals, and Adam Cherry won the consolation finals. They are children of Bruce and Jennifer Stinson.

The next tournament will be in Arlington on November 3rd & 4th.

Ask J.P. Bob about his and Kathy's motorcycle jaunt way up in South Dakota, where there are people (and animals) who have never seen a cycle!

Dwayne's weather report for week of October 8th through 7 a.m. on October 15th shows the highest temperature was on the 8th at 92 degrees; the lowest on the 13th at 32; no moisture.

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**Thank You**

J.L. Pierce would like to thank everyone for the prayers, cards, flowers, food and support given to the family of Jammie Pierce.

**Thank You**

The Redwine family would like to thank everyone for the food, prayers, cards, phone calls and visits during the loss of our mother, Beulah Redwine. Your thoughts are greatly appreciated. Rosie Gulley, Kenneth Redwine, Charles Redwine, Wanda Redwine, Jimmy Redwine and Minnie Gail Jablonski

**Thank You**

We would like to thank all of our friends and neighbors who sent cards, flowers, and memorials in honor of our loved one. We have been truly blessed by your concern and your different ways of caring for our needs. We especially want to thank our dear friends who took on our mowing for us while we were gone.

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# The Gruver Grapevine

by Harletta Carthel

## GHS Band Earns Division II Honors

The Gruver Hound Sound Band received a Division II rating in a split decision in the UIL Region I Marching Contest in Amarillo Saturday.

In judging, two judges gave the Gruver band II ratings while a third judge gave the band a I rating.

In odd-numbered years, bands receiving a I rating from schools in A classification, may advance to area and perhaps state competition. In 1997, the GHS Band competed in the state band contest, and in 1999, the band advanced to area competition and placed ninth.

Many visitors to Gruver football games this season have expressed praise for the band's performance, and the community is indeed proud of this precision organization.

## School Board Meets

The Gruver ISD board of Trustees met in regular session Tuesday, October 9, 2001, at 6:15 p.m. Members present were David Bergin, Jody Irwin, Terry Sherrill, Paul Stavlo, Benny Wilson, Davin Winger, and Superintendent Laura Blasingame.

After the approval of the minutes, Benny Wilson made the motion to approve an FFA trip to the national convention in Louisville, Kentucky. After a second by Jody Irwin, the motion carried 6-0.

In a motion made by David Bergin and seconded by Terry Sherrill, the board voted to approve the Campus Improvement Plans for the elementary and junior high by a 6-0 vote.

The arrival of Mike Yanke at 7:10 preceded the board's review of several discussion items. Among them were a review of the superintendent's job description and identifying of performance indicators and clarification of roles and expectations. They also discussed the superintendent's evaluation design and the process, instrument, and timeline.

They received a report on enrollment by the superintendent and heard the financial report. The meeting adjourned at 7:31 p.m.

## Gruver Grad Opens Clinic

1986 GHS graduate, Dusty Cotter, has opened a veterinary clinic in Phoenix, Arizona.

Known as Bandfield Vet Clinic, the clinic is housed in the Pet Smart, which is located at 21001 North Tatum Blvd.

Cotter's parents, Don and Doris Cotter, were in Phoenix to aid their daughter in moving to her new clinic and grand-opening ceremonies.

## Halloween Carnival Slated

Booths are still available for the

October 27, PTA Halloween Carnival.

The booths rent for \$15 and may be reserved by calling Julie Logsdon (733-5177). Set-up time for booths is between 3:30 p.m. Friday, October 26 and 7:00 p.m. Saturday, October 27.

Costume judging will begin at 7:00 p.m. in the elementary gym with booths and games being open from 7:30-9:30 p.m.

Logsdon states there will be numerous free games with prizes and also a 25¢ bingo booth and a 25¢ jail.

## Athletic Sponsors

Add the name of North Plains Chemical to the list of Gruver businesses sponsoring GHS athletes by displaying posters during football and basketball seasons.

Darla Myatt (733-2037) can be called for more information.

## Parent, Student Reminders

School will dismiss at 12:30 p.m. at all campuses on Monday, October 22.

Retakes for individual pictures and groups is scheduled for Tuesday, October 31.

Elementary Halloween parties are scheduled for Friday, October 27, with costume dressing to begin at 1:45 p.m. followed by parties at 2:00 p.m. and a costume parade through the school at 2:30 p.m.

## City Commissions Meets

The Gruver City Commission met in regular session with Mayor Mark Irwin, Commissioner Johnnie Williams, Commissioner Chad Logsdon, City Manager Linda Weller, City Secretary Tencha Cazares, and Chief of Police Nick Jordan present.

With a brief agenda, the commission approved the minutes of the September meeting and approved the paying of bills for September.

## First Freeze Reported

The first freeze of the season was officially recorded in the early morning hours of October 6.

Reports of 29 degrees were reported on October 12 and 13.

## Get Well Wishes

Elene Green has returned home and is continuing out-patient rehabilitation at Spearman.

Peggy Dillow remains in Baptist St. Anthony's after a lung biopsy on Wednesday, October 17. She is expected to be sent for pulmonary care to Denver.

Junior Brandon Casdorff suffered a torn ACL in the White Deer game. He is scheduled for surgery Wednesday, October 24, in Amarillo.

## Tailgate Party Planned

A "Grill the Mustangs" tailgate party will begin at 6:00 p.m. in the parking lot of Greyhound Stadium, Friday, October 19. The event is sponsored by the Greyhound Mothers who invite the community to take part in the delicious event.

A large commercial grill will be hot and ready for use, or participants may bring their own grill. A prize will be awarded to the outstanding tailgaters of the night.

Greyhound Mothers urge community members to bring their favorite food for the grill and join in the fun.

## "Slaves" Earn Scholarship Bucks

The Gruver FFA Slave Auction, Monday, October 8, netted over \$5,000 for the FFA Dennis Stedje Memorial Scholarship Fund.

Nineteen greenhand (first year) ag students, four FFA upper classmen, and advisor Weston Born, were each sold for eight hours of hard labor to local buyers.

Slaves and their buyers were Bailey Reid - Joe Morris, Seth Clemmons - Scott Stedje, Brock Irwin - Mike Yanke, Jessica Montgomery - Clint Irwin, Chris Abernathy - Fran Duncan, Cody Been - LaNetta Shapley, Laina Grotgut - Catsy Cluck, Colt Cluck - Quentin Harper, Sergio Cruz - Mike Yanke, Cass Cooper - Bort Agency, Mark TeBeest - Mike Yanke, Carlos Borunda - Lisa Salmans, Hutch Reid - Mike Grotgut, Ryan Winger - Steve Beville, Lance Williams - Jerry Williams, Ryan Rennie - Monte Cluck, Kyle Jackson - Clint Irwin, Teal Armes - Joe Morris, and Ozzie Santillan - Keith Gibson.

Upper classmen Colby Red and Britt Morris were sold to Joe Morris while Hunter Beville and TJ Sherrill were bought by Quentin Harper. Mr. Born, who was auctioned by the pound, was also claimed by Joe Morris.

Buying cakes were Catsy Cluck, Mike Grotgut, and Craig Cooper.

The FFA wishes to express their sincere appreciation to all buyers and supporters of the sale.

## Bucks PAT JV Hounds

Successful PAT attempts proved to be the winning difference as the White Deer Bucks bested the Junior Varsity Hounds, 22-18.

The Hounds drew first blood on

a pass from quarterback Lance Williams to Manny Lopez in the first quarter. Scoring twice, the Bucks held a 14-6 halftime lead.

In an exciting second half, the Hounds tallied on a three yard run by Ryan Winger, and a kickoff return by Lopez. With no luck on their PAT tries, the Hounds fell to the Bucks.

Look for the Hounds to come on strong when they travel to Spearman for a clash with the Lynx Thursday, October 18.

## Junior High Blast White Deer

In a seventh and eighth grade combined game, the Junior High Hounds blasted the White Deer bucks, 30-6.

During the first quarter, Matt Messer scored a touchdown and an extra point making the score 8-6.

Diego Luciano caught an amazing pass from Conrad Curry and ran one yard short of the goal line, setting up a touchdown run by Tremayne Martinez. The two-point conversion was not successful. Ivan Briones scored another Gruver touchdown, and our defense recovered two fumbles. The halftime score was 22-6, Gruver.

During the third quarter, Tanner Irwin intercepted a pass and scored a 30 yard touchdown. Kade Shoulders then scored the extra point. The score at the end of the third quarter was 30-6.

During the fourth quarter Sheldon Atwood added another Greyhound touchdown making the final score 36-12.

The seventh graders played a fifth quarter in which the score was 0-6, White Deer.

## Bucks Chill Hounds

The weather and the White Deer Bucks put the chill on the Hounds, 58-0, in the opening game of district play.

Racking up a 38-0 halftime lead, the Bucks took advantage of their superior size to up their score by 20 in the final half.

While the Hounds struggled defensively, they had several outstanding offensive moments but not enough in succession to score.

Scoring on their second play of the game, the Bucks set the tone for the night. Although David Puebla ripped off 30 yards to the 50 yard line on the Hounds first possession, the Gruver offense could not gear up.

The Bucks took the ball on their next possession at their own 10 and marched down the field. Jose Rodriguez made a jarring tackle on third and goal, but the glory was short-lived as the Bucks scored on fourth down.

White Deer took advantage of two Gruver fumbles to up their tally in the second quarter.

Taking a Gruver fumble on the Hound 16, the Bucks struck early in the second quarter. The second fumble came late in the period on the Hound 32 yard line.

Digging in, the Hound defense held for two downs while Hound Kade Carthel deflected a Buck pass on third down. With fourth and long yardage, the Bucks settled for a field goal.

With only 25 seconds remaining in the half, the Bucks struck again on a 43 yard touchdown pass.

Things would go no better for the Hounds in the second half as Buck Nick Ball returned the opening kickoff 76 yards and teammate Aaron McKean scored again at 8:26 in the third quarter on a 40

yard run.

The never-die Hounds would deny the Bucks their next attempt as Aaron Boyd stepped in to tackle the White Deer quarterback for a loss on third down on the Hound 10 yard line. A quick Puebla recovered a White Deer fumble on fourth down.

When the Gruver drive stalled, the Hounds had one more chance to score. After making a hard-fought first down on the Hound 34 on fourth and one, the Hounds were called on a holding penalty.

An eight yard pass from Hunter Beville to Carthel and runs by Puebla and David Hernandez failed to compensate for the penalty, and the Hounds again were in a fourth and one situation.

Making first down, the Hounds continued their drive with Beville completing a 12 yard pass to Carthel, under double coverage, to the Buck 38. But a six yard run by Puebla was as deep as the Hounds would go.

Having faced the district big guys, the Hounds will have the home field advantage as they take revenge on the Wheeler Mustang in a 7:30 p.m. contest, Friday, October 19.

## Game At A Glance

	Gruver	White
Deer		
First Downs	4	24
Yards Rushing	62	441
Yards Passing	19	109
Total Yards	81	550
Comp-Att-Int	2-7-0	6-14-0
Punts-Avg	6-28	0-0
Fumbles-Lost	2-2	2-1
Penalties-Yards	4-40	4-40

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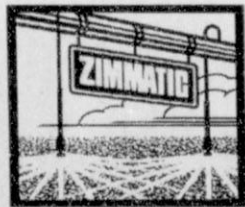
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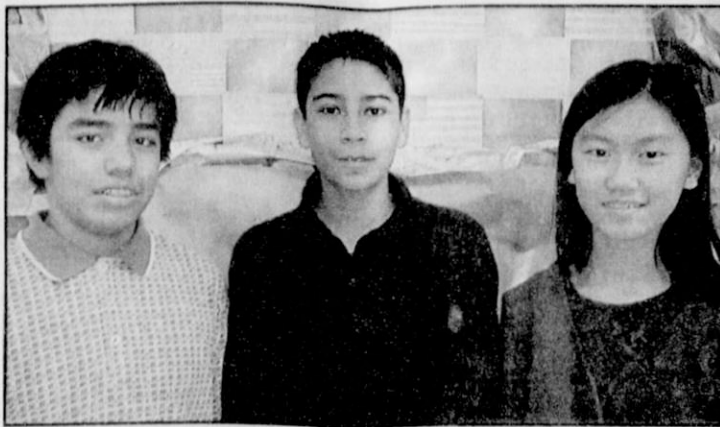
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Three Spearman Junior High students have been selected for the Golden Rule Award for the first six weeks for school. The award is given to those students who treat others as they would like to be treated, come prepared for class and do their best work, and are model citizens. Those chosen were (left to right) Francisco Braiseno -seventh grade. Junior Ortiz - sixth grade, and Joanne Tang - eighth grade.



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