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Spearman, Gruver Girls Claim State Title, Again



The Spearman Lynxettes captured the State Cross Country Championship for the 4th straight year. Pictured are: (Back Row, L-R) Starla Whiteley, Tylo Farrar, Gately Garnett, Itzel Meza, Sarah Snider, Shelby Hanna, Malory Martin, Gena Hargrove; (Front Row, L-R) Brooke Walker, Cynthia Mendoza



The Gruver Lady Hounds captured the State IA Cross Country Championship for the 3rd straight year. Pictured are: (Front Row, L-R) Coach Bekah Morrison, Bailey Stedje, Emilyynn Robinson, Maggie Gaspar, Reagan Haynes; (Back Row, L-R) Coach Mica Been, Macy McLennan, Taylor Felderhoff, Shelley Gibson, Madison McLain, Coach Rod Been, Anders Been, and Daniela Luciano



These five Spearman seniors have been a member of 4 straight State Cross Country Championships: (L-R) Sarah Snider, Tylo Farrar, Gately Garnett, Shelby Hanna and Malory Martin. These girls also rank academically in the top 9 of their graduating class.



LEFT: #3 Tanner Baird returns a Coahoma kickoff to give the Lynx good field position.

Photos by Tami Hargrove.
Pictures available at
<http://spearmansports.smugmug.com>
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COME TO THE GAME
SPEARMAN
vs Holliday
on 11/18
at 8 p.m.
in Plainview

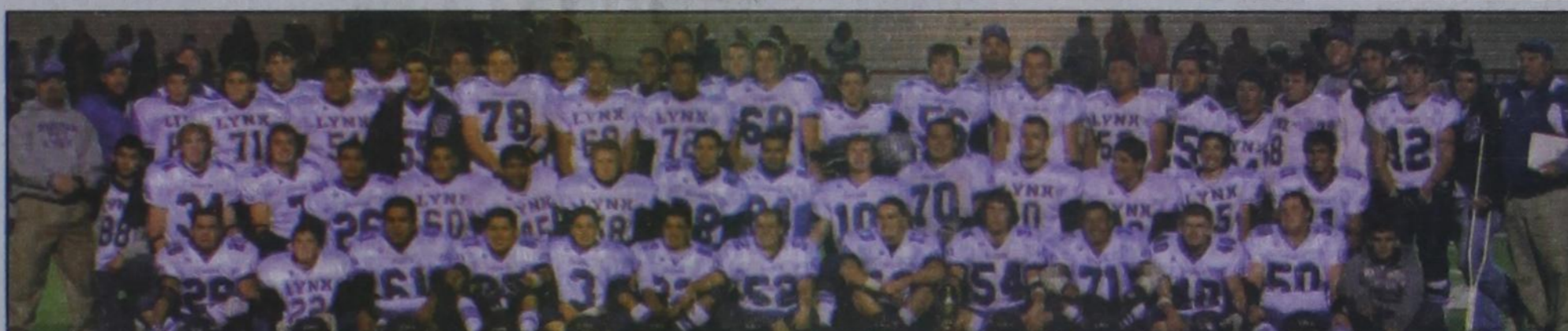
COME TO THE GAME

Spearman Lynx/Lynxettes

11/17 7G (5), 8G (6), 9G (7) vs Bushland
11/17 7B (5), 8B (6), 9B (7) @ Bushland
11/18 JVB (5) & VB (6:30) @ Sunray
11/17 & 19 JVG @ Perryton Tourney
11/17 & 19 VG (6:30) at Canyon Shootout
11/21 VG (6:30) & VB (8) vs Dimmitt at Canyon
11/21 7G (5), 8G (6), 9G (7) @ Highland Park
11/21 7B (5), 8B (6), 9B (7) vs Highland Park
11/28 7G (5), 8G (6), 9G (7) vs Fritch
11/28 7B (5), 8B (6), 9B (7) @ Fritch
11/29 JVG (5), JVB (5), VG (6:30), VB (8) at Texhoma

Gruver Greyhounds/Lady Hounds

11/18 JVG (4), JVB (5:15), VG (6:30), VB (8) vs Dalhart
11/21 JVB (6), VG (6), JVG (8), JVB (8) @ Perryton
11/21 7B (5), 7G (6), 8G (5), 8B (6) vs West Texas (7th grade aux. gym, 8th grade main gym)
11/22 JVG (4), VG (6:30) vs Pampa
11/28 7B (5), 7G (6), 8G (5), 8B (6) at Sunray
11/29 JVB (5:15), VB (8) vs. Boys Ranch



Spearman Lynxettes - 2A Bi-District Champions

The Spearman Lynx defeated the Coahoma Bulldogs 23-21 on Friday, November 11, 2011 in the Bi-District game. They will face the Holliday Eagles on Friday, November 18, 2011 in Plainview at 8 p.m. for the Area Championship.

Photo by Tami Hargrove. Pictures available at <http://spearmansports.smugmug.com>. See related article on Page 5



LEFT: #28 Alfredo Rosendo carries the ball for the Lynx.



RIGHT: #82 Stefan Cook makes the tackle on the Coahoma running back.

Weather Forecast

THURSDAY - Partly cloudy. Highs around 60. South winds 15 to 20 mph.
THURSDAY NIGHT - Partly cloudy. Lows in the lower 30s.
FRIDAY - Partly cloudy. Highs in the lower 70s.
FRIDAY NIGHT - Partly cloudy. Lows in the upper 30s.
SATURDAY - Partly cloudy. Breezy. Highs in the lower 70s.
SATURDAY NIGHT - Partly cloudy. Lows in the upper 20s.
SUNDAY - Partly cloudy. Cooler. Highs in the upper 50s.
SUNDAY NIGHT - Increasing clouds. Lows in the mid 30s.
MONDAY - Mostly cloudy. Highs in the upper 50s.
Read more: <http://www.city-data.com/forecast/w-Spearman-Texas.html#ixzz1dnQZlpbf>

Spearman Star Signs with Tarleton

The early signing period is currently in effect and Tarleton head coach Ronnie Hearne wasted no time in signing one of the state's best 2A high school players.

Morgan Ashmore, a 5-7 point guard from Spearman, signed her national letter of intent to play for the Tarleton TexAnns in the 2012-13 season.

"She was the (Globe News 3A/2A) Player of the Year two years in row, so that speaks for itself," said Hearne. "I saw her play in a tournament in Coppell and I really liked the way she plays."

"I'm never going to say a player is as good as Shelby Adamson," he continued. "But her style of play is very similar. She's a slasher who can get to the basket."

Ashmore is a two-time District 1-2A most valuable player, two-time all-region, two-time all-state, a two-time member of the Globe News Super Team and was named to the Panhandle Plains Magazine Super Team. Spearman began the



On Wednesday, November 9th, Morgan Ashmore signed a National Letter of Intent to play basketball at Tarleton State University for the TexAnns.

season Tuesday with a 59-23 win over Texline.

The future TexAnn averaged 22 points per game as a junior, in addition to 3.4 rebounds, 4.8 assists and 4.3 steals. In her junior season, she hit 48.6 percent of her shots from the floor, 41.2 percent from 3-point

land and 78.6 percent from the free throw line.

In Ashmore's three-year varsity career, she has helped Spearman to a total record of 74-17.

For more information regarding Tarleton TexAnn basketball, please visit TarletonSports.com.

by GasBuddy.com
TexasGasPrices.com

Weekly Update

Texas, November 14- Average retail gasoline prices in Texas have risen 1.3 cents per gallon in the past week, averaging \$3.22/g yesterday. This compares with the national average that has fallen 1.1 cents per gallon in the last week to \$3.43/g, according to gasoline price website TexasGasPrices.com.

Including the change in gas prices in Texas during the past week, prices yesterday were 53.6 cents per gallon higher than the same day one year ago and are 3.2 cents per gallon lower than a month ago. The national average has decreased 4.4 cents per gallon during the last month and stands 54.4 cents per gallon higher than this day one year ago.

"Even as crude oil comes close to \$100/bbl, retail gasoline prices have held their ground and spot prices for gasoline have given up gains," said Patrick DeHaan, GasBuddy.com Senior Petroleum Analyst. "We certainly have some shifts going on in the market as diesel production is favored over gasoline, meaning refiners will boost production of distillate at the cost of gasoline production. Diesel and middle distillate demand remains strong while gasoline demand is somewhat weak, causing gasoline to seemingly disconnect from the upward trend of the crude oil and distillate market," DeHaan added.

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

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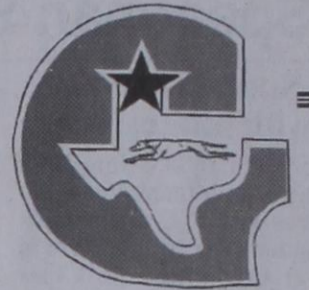
The Hansford County Reporter-Statesman will be closed Tues., Nov. 22-Sun., Nov. 28 for Thanksgiving. The deadline for the Nov. 17 issue is 5 p.m. on Friday, Nov. 21.

Items may be submitted by phone (806-659-3434), fax (806-398-9080), or e-mail (reporter@spearmanreporter.com).



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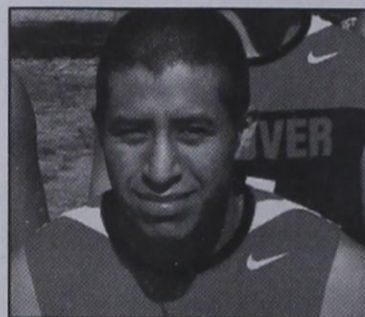


**Spearman Lynxettes
2A State Champions
4th Year In-A-Row**



**Gruver Lady Hounds
1A State Champions
3rd Year In-A-Row**

**CROSS COUNTRY
TEAMS**



**Luis Mendoza
Individual
State Qualifier**



Spearman Lynx

Spearman (9-2) vs. Holliday (8-2), 8 p.m. on Friday, November 18th at Greg Sherwood Memorial Bulldog Stadium in Plainview

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Gibson-Salgado Elected Trustee of TMCA, Inc.

Cheryl Gibson-Salgado, TRMC, CMC, city secretary, Spearman, was honored as a candidate for the Texas Municipal Clerks Association, Inc. Municipal Clerk of the Year for 2011 at the Annual Banquet in Addison, on November 3, 2011. Cheryl was selected by her colleagues as the TMCA Panhandle Chapter clerk of the year. She also received this same nomination honor in 2008.

Cheryl has served as city secretary of the City of Spearman since January 1986. She earned the Texas Registered Municipal Clerk Certification in 2000 (No. 345), and recertified in 2005 and 2010. She is also an International Institute Certified Municipal Clerk.

Cheryl currently serves on the TMCA Executive Board as a trustee. She has been active in many TMCA committees over the years, as well as chairing several of them.

Cheryl is active in the Panhandle Chapter of TMCA, where she has served in every office at least once and currently sits as the secretary. She will serve as vice-president for the upcoming 2012-2014 terms.

A fellow TMCA board member, Linda Knight, TRMC, city secretary, Breckenridge, was the recipient of this award.



Garnett Cousins Make TMEA Regional Orchestra

Finley Garnett and Maren Garnett of Spearman auditioned for the Texas Music Educators Association Region 1 Middle School Orchestra at De Zavala Middle School in Amarillo on Saturday, October 22, 2011. There were 81 violinists that auditioned, and 40 made it. Finley made 2nd violin and Maren made 1st violin.

They will perform with the other regional orchestra members on December 3, 2011 at 7 p.m. at the Civic Center in Amarillo. The Junior High will perform first, followed by the High School.

Guest Conductor for the event will be Mr. David Golden, Director of Orchestras at Tomball High School in Tomball, TX. He is in great demand as both a clinician and adjudicator.

This is an extraordinary accomplishment for Finley and Maren since Spearman ISD does not have an orchestra program in school, as do some of the Amarillo area schools.

Finley is the daughter of Kelly and Jon Garnett and Maren is the daughter of Mark and K.C. Garnett. They are the granddaughters of Marti and Mike Garnett of Spearman.

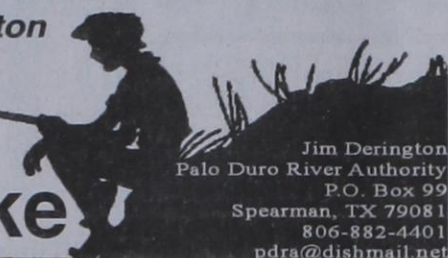
Thanks to Ms. Molly Baker for putting in the effort to provide an opportunity such as this for our children in Spearman!



Finley Garnett and Maren Garnett will be playing in the TMEA Region 1 Middle School Orchestra in December.

by Jim Derington

Out at the Lake



Lake Level—November 14, 2011—32.32 feet (-0.14)

Fall is a quiet time at the Lake, but there are usually birds to be enjoyed, fish to be caught, and hikes to be taken. There were no RV campers last week, but Jim said he did have a tent camper. The Sandhill Cranes are still using the Lake, and Snow and Canada Geese have arrived. At least one immature Eagle has joined the pair of Bald Eagles. Bluebirds are seen near the office as well as other spots.

Jim has noticed his regulars fishing from the same spots. He said this is usually an indication they are catching fish.

Interesting Book
Last week Betty Pugh at the Hansford County Library called to tell me they had a new book she thought I would want to read. When I picked it up, I found it was a heavy, coffee table type book titled Taming the Land: The Lost Postcard Photographs of the Texas High Plains by John Miller Morris.

A postcard craze gripped the country in the early years of the 1900s when many people took up cameras. Their best photos were often made into postcards to be sent to friends and relatives or sold for a nickel and mailed for a penny. Now these postcards are being collected. Morris in his Taming of the Land shows these finds and tells of their photographers. This book deals with the top 24 counties in Texas.

It is so much fun to start reading a book and to find you knew or knew of some of the people. The photographer used for Hansford County, Roman D. Tomlinson, was the father of two of my classmates, R. D. Tomlinson and Verna Tomlinson Barkley.

Roma D. Tomlinson has a daughter, Vireta Knight, and 3 grandsons, Allan Walker, David Tomlinson, and Tim Barkley, who live in Gruver or the area. No one had contacted them about the story, so it was fun to show them the book. I was in hopes that Vireta would have more of Mr. Tomlinson's pictures, but she shared a sad story. Her father continued taking pictures, and since he was the photographer, he was never in them. They had a room in the basement of their house where all the albums were kept. A winter freeze that burst pipes when no one was home caused the basement to flood and all were lost.

Vireta told of her brother Glen taking up photography as a hobby, and now his son Joel is a photographer in Washington, D. C. He takes and develops group photos of visitors, usually on the steps of famous buildings. A granddaughter of Vireta's, Melinda Clary, is also an excellent photographer.

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To be continued

Dec. 1st Sales Closing Date for Noninsurable Crops

Hansford County USDA Farm Service Agency (FSA) Executive Director, Hargrove urges producers who want to purchase coverage through the Noninsurable Crop Disaster Assistance Program (NAP) to do so before the sales closing date of December 1, 2011.

NAP provides financial assistance to producers of noninsurable crops when low yields/grazing loss, loss of inventory or prevented planting occur due to normal disasters.

The following crops have a NAP application closing date of Dec. 1, 2011: grazing and forage/hay on native and improved grass, honey, potatoes, radishes, grapes and caneberries.

"Purchasing a crop insurance policy is an easy way for producers to practice risk management," said

Hargrove. "The 2011 crop year has proved that natural disasters can directly affect the profitability and recovery of agricultural operations," he said.

In order to meet eligibility requirements for NAP, crops must be noninsurable, commercially-produced agricultural commodity crops for which the catastrophic risk protection level of crop insurance is not available.

In the event of a natural disaster, NAP covers the amount of loss greater than 50 percent of the expected production based on the approved yield and reported acreage.

Eligible producers can apply for coverage using form CCC-471, "Application for Coverage." Producers must file the application and service fee by the Dec. 1st deadline. The service

fee is the lesser of \$250 per crop or \$750 per producer per administrative county, not to exceed a total of \$1,875 for a producer with farming interests in multiple counties.

For more information on sales closing dates and NAP, contact the Hansford County FSA office at 806-659-3036, ext. 2.

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The First United Methodist Church Chancel Choir will be hosting the

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