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Alternative sentencing program ...

Hansford Teen Court established

by JoAnn Morton

Youthful offenders in Hansford County now have an alternative to the criminal court system, in the form of the Hansford County Teen Court.

Teen Court is for young law violators from ages 10 to 18, primarily those charged with Class C Misdemeanor offenses, said Hansford County Justice of the Peace and Teen Court Coordinator Michele Davis.

Davis said a Teen Court Board has been formed to establish policies, guidelines and operating procedures.

Members of the Teen Court Board include the Spearman Mayor, the Hansford County Judge, the Hansford County Attorney, the Spearman Municipal Judge, the Hansford County Justice of the Peace, a representative of the Texas Department of Public Safety, a representative of the Hansford County Sheriff's Department, a representative of the Spearman Police Department, the Superintendents of both Spearman Independent School District and Gruver I.S.D., the principals of Spearman High School and Gruver High School, and the presidents of the Student Councils from both SHS and GHS.

The aim of Teen Court is to interrupt developing patterns of criminal behavior by promoting feelings of self-esteem, motivation for self improvement and development of a healthy attitude toward authority. There is also the hope of encouraging community responsibility, according to an explanatory pamphlet about Teen Court.

Teen Court is based on the phi-

losophy that a youthful law violator may not be as likely to continue as an offender when a peer jury determines his or her punishment. Guilt or innocence is not decided - only assessment of sentences. When a youth goes before Teen Court, the youth has already pleaded guilty.

Youth have the opportunity to keep their records "clean" if their sentences are successfully completed. Upon completion of the sentence, the charge is dismissed and no fine is paid. In the case of accidents, the accident may remain part of the driving record and will show any ticket received as being handled in Teen Court.

The fact that the charge is dismissed and the record is clean can help with parents' payment of insurance premiums in the case of traffic tickets received by teenage drivers. Since the tickets handled successfully in Teen Court will not appear on the driver's record, insurance premiums may not be as likely to increase.

Teens who can be involved in the Teen Court process must be between 10 and 18 years of age and enrolled in school. Some alcohol violations may be handled up to the age of 20 if the youth is still enrolled in public school and under the control of a parent or guardian.

A teen who comes before a court such as municipal, justice of the peace or county court, charged with a misdemeanor offense, can enter a plea of guilty and be referred to Teen Court.

Teen Court will be conducted on a monthly basis, in the District Courtroom of the Hansford County

Courthouse, on Monday evenings at 7 p.m., said Davis.

The youth goes into the courtroom with a parent or guardian and the charge is presented. A jury of six other youth will then ask questions of the defendant. The jury then retires to decide the number of community service hours to be served for the offense.

The decision is written and presented to the Judge when court is reconvened. The Judge assigns the work place for the community service work to be performed.

The Teen Court Judge is to be appointed by the Teen Court Board. Jurors will be selected from a pool of previous offenders and youth who volunteer to participate in the Teen Court program.

Sentences can range from eight to 30 hours per offense. The defendant must also serve one time on the jury per offense. If the youth is under age 14, then he or she must observe Teen Court one time per offense.

All service must be completed by the deadline which is assigned on the night of court.

If a defendant fails to comply with any of the requirements the only option is to return to the proper court and pay the complete fine.

Defendants have the right to confer with an attorney about entering the Teen Court program.

Davis added that community service organizations can assist with the Teen Court program by providing a place for youth to perform their community service work. Organizations should contact Davis at 659-3578, or another member of the Teen Court Board.



Mika McLain swishes the ball through the basket as the rest of the Gruver Lady Hounds get ready for the rebound during their area-title-winning effort against the Spur High School Spurettes. The Gruver ladies will travel to Levelland Friday to begin play in the Regional Tournament. Their first game will be at 1:30 p.m. against the Sudan High School Lady Hornets.

"We finally believed in ourselves" ...

Gruver Lady Hounds win Area

by Bob Bort

An elated group of Gruver Lady Hounds will be travelling to the Region I Class A Tournament this Friday in Levelland, following a methodical 48-41 victory over the Spurettes from Spur High School.

After the victory Coach Steve Myatt proclaimed, "We finally believed in ourselves."

The Lady Hounds will be pitted against the Lady Hornets from Sudan High School at 1:30 p.m. Friday in the Texan Dome on the campus of South Plains College in Levelland.

The 48-41 victory for the Lady Hounds breaks a 28-year dry spell in which no team has advanced to the Regional Tournament. The 1962-63 and 1963-64 teams were the last ones to do so.

Mika McLain again came out

for the Lady Hounds, hitting five of her first six shots. Three of those jumpers came during a key 11-1 run in the first quarter, when Gruver took a 10-5 deficit and turned it into a 16-11 lead. They never trailed after that.

McLain scored 13 points, and Holly Venneman did her one better with 14. Venneman was 7-8 in field goal attempts for the game. All told, the Gruver ladies shot a phenomenal 20-34, 59%, their second straight torrid shooting night in the playoffs.

For the second straight game, the pressure was on the Gruver ladies to maintain a lead when the opposition was closing in. And for the second straight game they were equal to the pressure. "We worked too hard to let them come back," said Myatt after the game.

The Spurettes cut the lead to 41-

37 with 3:15 left on a 3-pointer by Jennifer Cash, but the Gruver ladies simply would not fold. Their largest lead had been 11, 41-30, when the Spurettes scored seven straight points.

Anissa Ryan scored seven along with Julie Meyer, and Ryan played a superb game as point guard, directing the Lady Hounds to victory. Wynn Maupin contributed five points, and Cora Meyer and Tisha Ralston also played fine games.

GRUV (22-10) 14-28-37-48

SPUR (17-12) 11-23-28-41

3-point shots: Jennifer Cash-2

G- Holly Venneman-14, Mika McLain-13, Julie Meyer-7, Anissa Ryan-7, Wynn Maupin-5, Cora Meyer-2

S- Cindi McArthur-14, Lisa Neaves-12, Jennifer Cash-8, Tawana Francis-5, Kristen Swenson-2

Commissioners amend budget

by JoAnn Morton

The Hansford County Commissioners' Court made line item amendments to the current year budget during its Monday, Feb. 24 meeting.

According to Hansford County Judge Jim Brown, budget amendments were made in the sheriff's department and in commissioners' precincts 1, 3 and 4.

In the sheriff's department, funds were transferred from capital outlay into jail expense. In precincts 1 and 4, the transfer was from road maintenance into equipment and repairs. The transfer of funds for precinct 3 was from road

maintenance and administrative expenses into equipment and repairs.

In other business, the commissioners' court authorized Joe T. Venneman to look into and purchase replacement trees for the Hansford County Courthouse lawn.

Commissioners also discussed the collection of two hospitalization insurance claims, and approved a road easement for Phillips 66 Natural Gas Company.

Connie Freriks, representing H & H Credit Union, attended the meeting to suggest a resolution which the court adopted. The resolution states that any county employee who wishes to do so can join

the credit union and have savings automatically withheld from their pay check.

Commissioners discussed a Stop and Yield sign resolution, but according to Brown, the area in question was determined to be within the city limits of Spearman and can not be dealt with through the commissioners' court.

Regular business included approval of minutes of the previous meeting, approval of claims for payment, approval of the treasurer's report and investments, and approval of the Hansford County Historical Commission's year-end report.

On Spearman City Council agenda ...

Mission Cable wants rate increase

A proposed rate increase for Mission Cable, establishment of a Teen Court, and city elections were among items of discussion for the Spearman City Council at its Tuesday, Feb. 18 meeting.

Kelvin Knauf, city manager, presented a letter to the council from Mission Cable proposing an increase of \$2 per customer for basic cable television service. According to minutes of the city council meeting, the letter also stated that Mission Cable wants to add either Nickelodeon or USA to its channel lineup.

Meeting minutes said that Mission Cable wanted the city council to decide which channel would be added, but Knauf reminded the council that the decision is the responsibility of Mission Cable. The council discussed the matter, but took no action.

The council also adopted a resolution establishing the Spearman Teen Court and appointing a Teen Court Board to set up policies, guidelines and operating procedures for the Teen Court.

Mayor Burl Buchanan said that his term of office, along with those of Aldermen Don Reed and Bob Boxwell, are up for election this year. The election for these three places will be conducted on May 2. The seats on the council are for two-year terms.

In other business, the council discussed capital projects and financing for the city. Council members then voted to take advantage of low interest rates and autho-

rized the city manager to proceed with notices to issue \$1,000,000 worth of certificates of obligation to pay for a transfer station, rehabilitation of Spearman's wastewater treatment plant, and a fire pumper.

Other financial business for the council included establishing an account with "TexPool," a local government investment pool. Transmittal of local funds for investment was authorized, and city officers were authorized to take action for the investment of city funds.

Bids for service of city employee uniforms and for the city gas leak survey were opened. Upon the recommendation of Jim McWilliams, director of public works, contracts

were awarded to low bidders. Amarillo Linen & Industrial Service was awarded a contract for uniforms, and Dan Fitzgerald & Associates of Chico, Calif., was awarded a contract for the city's annual gas leak survey.

Knauf informed the council that the annual permit fee for the wastewater treatment plant had been increased by \$600 this year, without notice. He commented that the fee increase is another example of the state government tapping into local government revenues to pay for state expenditures.

Approval was given to monthly bills payable in the amount of \$214,267.60, and to monthly departmental reports for January.



Cindy Clyburn's and Kristi Ramon's first grade classes at Spearman Elementary School finished their study of the Olympic games with their own medal presentation ceremony on Tuesday, Feb. 25. The ceremony was attended by many of the students' parents and friends. The students were awarded medals based on their academic accomplishments during their Olympic study.



(photo courtesy Hansford County Extension office)

Justin Carthel showed the Grand Champion and Breed Champion Cross in the swine division of the Gruver Practice Livestock Show. The show was conducted in preparation for the Hansford County Junior Livestock Show, set for Friday and Saturday, March 13 and 14.

Karen's Kozy Korner

by Karen Babitzke
Extension Agent

Parenting Tips For Coping With Stress

With the current state of national affairs, the need for attention to children is more crucial than ever. Today's high-stress circumstances - like the unrest in the Middle East, job layoffs and an unsteady economy - impact many families.

The high levels of stress that many families are experiencing make children particularly vulnerable as family stability is threatened by forces over which parents have little or no control.

The following tips can help your family cope better in times of stress:

- * Remember to be the parent. Children need your attention at times like these.

- * Keep communication open. Listen and don't duck the hard questions.

- * Be reassuring and comforting. Listen to your child's fears. Let the children know you will be there for them.

- * Be truthful about your feelings. Children can sense when you're upset and if they don't know why they may believe they are the cause.

- * Spend time together. Family activities and games will help everyone relax and enjoy each other.

- * Be consistent. Continue usual routines and household rules. Unexpected or sudden changes are confusing and stressful to children.

- * Take time to think before you act. When disciplining your child don't overreact to your own fears and anxieties. Take steps to calm yourself down - count to 20, take several deep breaths or remove yourself from the scene for a few minutes.

- * Don't take it personally. News of war or a lost job, difficult family events and other stresses can make your child upset and irritable. Kids are only human - their moods may have nothing to do with you.

For additional information about

parenting education and family life concerns, contact the Hansford County agent with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service agent office.

Modifications, not eliminations, are the answer

You do not have to give up eating red meat to reduce fat in your diet. In fact, with a few modifications, you can continue to enjoy everything from meatloaf to barbecue to burgers. Even sizzling, juicy steaks and creamy casseroles don't need to be forfeited.

Follow these 10 suggestions, to reduce the fat from your diet without turning your kitchen - or your life - upside down:

- * Saute and baste meat in broth, tomato or fruit juice instead of oil or drippings.

- * Brown your meat under the broiler, in a non-stick skillet or in one coated with vegetable oil cooking spray.

- * Marinate low-fat meat and poultry for a few hours in a savory mixture to enhance their flavor.

- * Use meat and poultry as part of mixed dishes like casseroles and stir-fries.

- * Introduce variety by using fish and poultry sometimes and avoid frying as a method of preparation for either one.

- * Bake and cook with lower fat dairy alternatives such as skim or evaporated skim milk.

- * Replace sour cream with a cup of low-fat cottage cheese whirled in the blender with one tablespoon of fresh lemon juice.

- * Use reduced calorie mayonnaise.

- * Steam or saute vegetables in chicken broth.

Following these 10 tips will help cut back on calories and fat in your diet. Another important point to remember is portion size. Sticking to the recommended portion sizes of 3 ounces of meat per serving can also help cut back on fat.

NPGCD schedules public hearing

The North Plains Groundwater Conservation District is holding a public hearing on March 2 at 7 p.m. in the district courtroom at Hansford County Courthouse. Purpose of the hearing is to discuss annexation of Dallam County in to the NPGCD.

The district's board received a petition from landowners in Dallam County requesting to be annexed into the district. Chapter 52 of the Texas Water Code requires the district to hold two hearings on the petition. One of the hearings must be held within the district and the other hearing must be held within the area to be annexed.

The board accepted the Dallam County petition during its meeting on Feb. 3. It was decided to hold the hearing within the district first. At the hearing, the board will receive testimony from the people within the district, in support of or opposition to, the annexation of a portion of Dallam County.

Anyone wishing to present testimony for or against the annexation is invited to attend the hearing. The board will also answer any questions concerning the petition. After the March 2 hearing, the directors will decide which direction to take in regard to continuation of the annexation process.

The petition, at this time, excludes an area in the northwest portion of Dallam County. Part of this area is served by the Dallam

County Underground Water Conservation District No. 1 (Texline Water District). Under the annexation process of Chapter 52, the board may adjust the boundaries of the area to be annexed. There may be some additional land in Dallam County which may be excluded from the petition. This decision will be made at a later date.

In presenting the petition to the board, the representatives from Dallam County stated that they hope to hold the election concerning the annexation during the November election. The district is not required to hold an election within the district.

The area of Dallam County not included in the Texline District was identified as a "Critical Area" in 1987 under Subchapter C of the Texas Water Code Chapter 52. A study of the area was conducted and a report was published in February 1990, entitled "Dallam County: A Critical Area Ground Water Study."

The recommendations from this study were annexation into an existing groundwater conservation district, or creation of a new groundwater conservation district. If the annexation process is successful, the area annexed into a district or districts would then have complied with the recommendations and the "Critical Area" process would not further affect the area.

Directors election set

The North Plains Groundwater Conservation District No. 2 will hold a Directors election for precincts 1 and 2. The election will be held on Saturday, May 2.

Directors precinct No. 1 is all of the area in Ochiltree and Lipscomb Counties. Roy Stollings is the Director representing Directors precinct No. 1. At this time, Stollings has indicated that he plans to run

for re-election.

Directors precinct No. 2 is all of the area in Hansford County and the area within the District in Hutchinson County. N.F. Renner is the Director representing Directors precinct No. 2. Renner has indicated that he does not plan to run for re-election.

The deadline for filing as candidate for Director of the North Plains Groundwater Conservation District No. 2 is 5 p.m. Wednesday, March 18. Application forms may be requested from the District Office, 603 East First, P.O. Box 795, Dumas, Texas 79029 between the hours of 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. Monday through Friday.

The application must be signed by the applicant or at least 10 qualified voters of the precinct. To be a candidate for Director, one must be a qualified voter and shall have resided within the Precinct for six months immediately preceding the date of the election.



Charles Brillhart (right) was named Citizen of the Year at the recent Spearman Chamber of Commerce annual banquet. Congratulating Brillhart is James Cunningham (left).



Mary Fern Terry was named Citizen Over the Years at the Spearman Chamber of Commerce annual banquet.



Jim Younger was named Fireman of the Year at the Chamber banquet. Francis Kilgore was named Rotary Employee of the Year at the Chamber banquet.

Wheat ineligible for reserve

Farmers who have 1991-crop wheat under price support loan will not be permitted to place the crop in the farmer-owned reserve when the loan matures.

The crop was not authorized for entry into the reserve because the 90-day average market price for wheat was not less than 120 percent of the price support loan rate.

USDA may allow entry when only one condition is met. Since neither condition is met, the 1991 wheat crop is ineligible for the re-

serve.

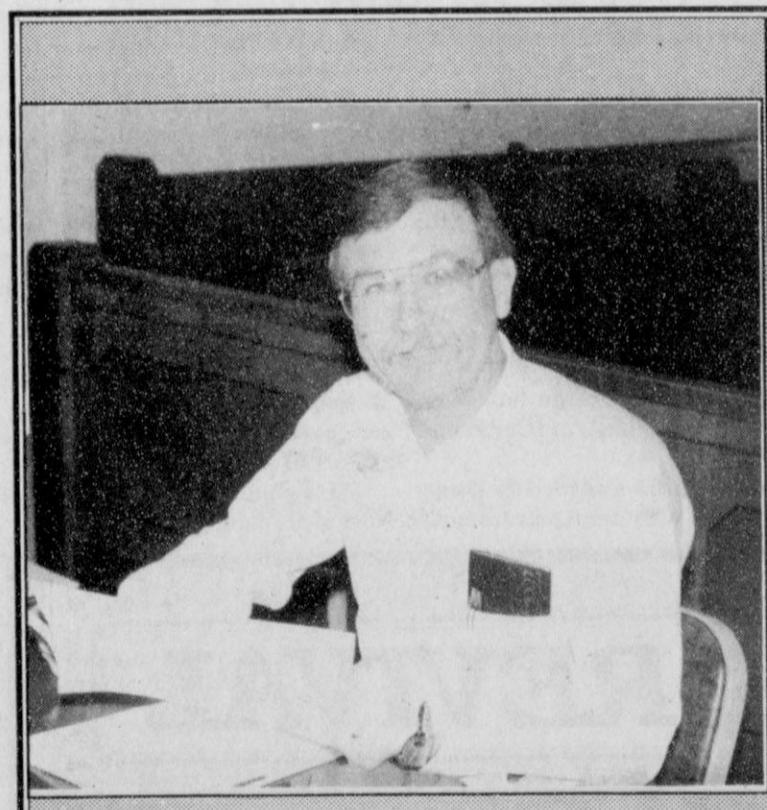
The reserve program is designed to remove grain from the market until prices reach more desirable levels. The program offers short and long term benefits to counter the price depressing effects of surplus stocks.

More information can be obtained from the USDA Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service Hansford County office, 711 W 7th in Spearman.

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90 Chevy Corsica LTZ - 4 Dr - Bright Met. Blue - Gray Cloth 20,000 miles! Factory warranty remaining! 3.1 EFI V6, mag wheels, power windows, locks, tilt, cruise, AM/FM cass, luggage rack, rear defroster.	CASH \$9950
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87 Olds Ciera Cutlass Cruiser Wagon - 4 Dr - Charcoal 47,000 miles! 2.8 EFI V6, power seat, windows, locks, tilt, cruise, AM/FM cass, 3rd seat, luggage rack, mag wheels.	CASH \$5950
86 Buick Century I - Tan Cloth 58,000 miles! V6, a would be an excellent, economical	CASH \$4950
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Among the Neighbors

by Helen Fisher

Bruce and Sharon Bailey and her mother Avo Gray returned last Saturday from several days in Ft. Worth. They were guests of Lucky Campbell. They also spent some time in Dallas with Bill Thiele. He was injured in an accident at the Northern Natural gas plant east of Spearman and is now in the Greenery, a rehabilitation center. He is responding well to the rehab and plans to take further treatments in Denver. He has a daughter living near there.

Colene and Orvil Brummett have enjoyed their company the last week. Liz Brummett with five month old Alexa and four year old Evan from Duncan, Okla., were here for the week. The Brummetts' son Terrill, a senior analyst for Haliburton Company, is in Holland for a couple of weeks.

Willeen Hughes attended the funeral for her brother Wade Gill, 87, in Borger on Monday. Wade lived in Spearman a number of years ago and was living in Amarillo at the time of his death. A cousin, Cleo Denman, accompanied Willeen to the funeral and also Altha Groves, a friend.

Mr. John Brinkley, who underwent surgery on Wednesday at High Plains Baptist Hospital, is recovering. His family is hopeful that he can return home the early part of the week.

Spearman's own Nancy McIntyre made an impressive appearance on Amarillo television on Saturday. She is the efficient president of the Panhandle Cattlemens Association, and spoke concerning the convention being held in Amarillo.

Word has been received by relatives of the passing of Alice Kirk, 87, in Dallas. She was the widow of Dyrle (Pete) Kirk and sister-in-law of Olive Pendergraft and C.W. (Jake) Kirk. Services were in Houston on Tuesday. She is survived by one son and two daughters. Due to illness, the Pendergrafts and Kirks could not attend, but Betty and Richard Gaines did.

Frances Kilgore is still unbelieving of the events of a most enjoyable weekend. Thinking she was representing the Hansford County Library, she attended the 'Chamber of Commerce banquet on Saturday. The first surprise was that she received the Employee of the Year Award in recognition and appreciation for her many years of assistance in the library. Suddenly she was aware that her family was in the audience. Surprising her was her son Richard Kilgore, who flew in from Dallas; her daughter Margot and Dick Simms of Hereford, and daughter Kate Hiebert and daughters from Midland. They had slipped into town and hid out at Mrs. Sada Hoskins.

Sherrill Meek spent several days last week in Wichita Falls at the U.I.L. Music Contests; the finals were Saturday. Sherrill, an excellent pianist, was accompanist for several of the solo numbers of students of Seymour. Rick Driscoll, her brother, who is the music director for the Seymour High School, had 12 of his students receive a Division I rating which qualifies them to attend the State Finals in Austin next June.

Barbara and Joey Sharp and children spent part of the weekend in the home of his brother Michael Sharp and family at Lazbuddie. The also visited former Spearman residents, Mr. and Mrs. Hilous Hargrove, who now live near Lazbuddie.

Ernest and Louise Archer and Lou and T.C. Harvey went to Amarillo on Sunday to be with Ernest's mother, Mrs. Ruby Archer, on her 97th birthday. Others remembering and sharing the occasion with her were her granddaughter Donna and Buddy Payne, of Ralls, also their two sons and wives and grandson. Earl and Darline Archer of Memphis went over to pay respects. Ernest's sister, Lady Maurine, of Amarillo greeted the guests.

Later word from Lois Nollner is that she is resting comfortably. Lois was visiting her daughter in Corpus Christi when she suffered a sudden illness. She was hospitalized there and Monday flown to High Plains Baptist Hospital by Air Ambulance. She is in CCU #22 at this writing.

Divorce recovery set

PERRYTON - Panhandle Crisis Center will present "Divorce Recovery" for men and women on Thursday, Feb. 27 from 7 to 8:30 p.m. at the PCC office, 317 S. Main in Perryton.

Janis Savage, LPC, from St. Anthony's Hospital's QUEST Program, will speak on topics such as "Coping with getting over and starting anew," and "Getting things back on track."

Interested persons can contact the PCC at 435-5008 for more information.



(photo courtesy Waka Church of the Brethren)

Ron Wenzel, pastor of the Roanoke, La., Church of the Brethren will conduct a Revival/Spiritual Renewal Series at Waka Church of the Brethren. The special series is scheduled for Friday through Sunday, Feb. 28-March 1. Services will be at 7 p.m. each evening and at 11 a.m. on Sunday, March 1. The messages for the four services are "Patient Enduring," "Repairing our Roads," "What Have You Done with Your Christmas Gift?" and "The Nature of Christian Love." Everyone is invited to attend the series of special services.

Museum gearing up for antique show

PERRYTON - The Museum of the Plains in Perryton is gearing up for its second annual Antiques and Collectibles Show, set for March 14 and 15 at the Ochiltree County Expo Center in Perryton.

"Our plans are well underway and looking good," said curator Jennifer McClung.

To date, some 15 exhibitors have signed up, representing Amarillo, Panhandle, Perryton, Gruver, Groom, Alanreed, Hooker and Hardesty, Okla., and Lamar, Colo. Among the items to be on sale are cowboy collectibles, wood crafts, fabric crafts, peanut brittle, barbed wire crafts, antique glassware, primitives, quilts and furniture. Jewelry, ceramics, sequin appliques, decorated shirts and jackets, baseball cards and more round out the selection.

McClung said she is hoping to at least double the number of vendors signed up and anticipates that most people will wait to sign up the week of the show.

The only restriction we have for

exhibitors is that they cannot sell Indian artifacts or firearms," said McClung.

The deadline to be in the show is Friday, March 13 at 3 p.m., which is when booth set-up begins. Set-up continues until 9 p.m. on Friday. Booth spaces measure 8' x 8' and are selling for \$30 for one booth and \$20 per additional booth space. No percentage of sales will be taken.

The show will be held Saturday, March 14 from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. and continues on Sunday, March 15 from 11:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

A concession will be open both days featuring hot dogs, Sloppy Joes, chili dogs, juicy burgers, baked potatoes with a variety of toppings, nachos, frito pies, beans, homemade pies, sodas, coffee and tea.

Musical entertainment will also be provided at various times during the day by Mary Brillhart and Nell O'Dell of the "Classy Too."

There is no admission charge for the public, and anyone interested in more information can call McClung at (806) 435-6400.

Hospital Notes

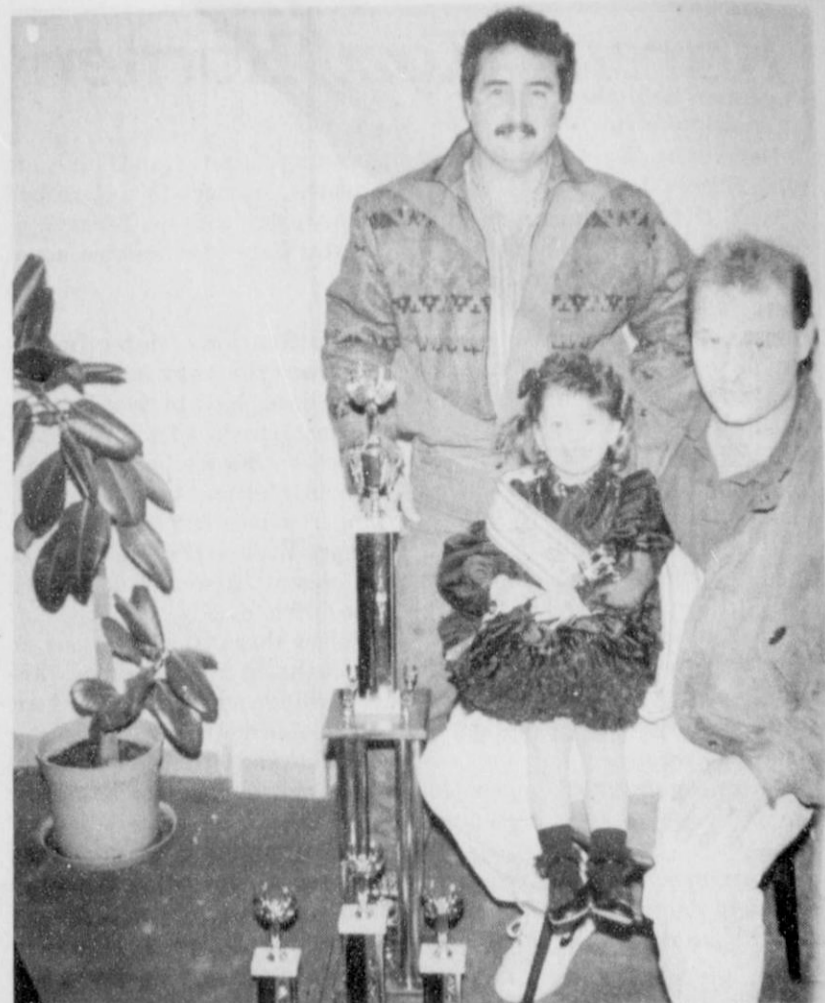
ADMISSIONS

Thursday, Feb. 20 - none
Friday, Feb. 21 - none
Saturday, Feb. 22 - none
Sunday, Feb. 23 - none
Monday, Feb. 24 - Marjorie Hendrick

DISMISSALS

Thursday, Feb. 20 - none
Friday, Feb. 21 - Sam Wysong, Buddy Etling
Saturday, Feb. 22 - none
Sunday, Feb. 23 - none
Monday, Feb. 24 - Marie Sparks

Tuesday, Feb. 25 - Marjorie Hendrick



Kelcee Anne Rex, 2 1/2 years old, was sponsored by the Spearman Pizza Hut in the All Star Kids Baby Pageant in Amarillo. Kelcee took home trophies in three different categories: first place in Beautiful Babe, first place in Baby/Chaperone competition in which her father was her escort, and first runner-up in Baby Title. Kelcee also scored the most points and was named the overall All Star Winner. Kelcee's older brother Garrett was cheering her on from the audience. She is the daughter of George and Tina Rex and the granddaughter of Paul and Joyce Woolley, both of Spearman, and great-granddaughter of Christina Butz of Anthony, Kan. In the photo are (l-r) George Rex, Kelcee, and John Earnst, sponsor.



Cha'tae Reann Avila, 10 month old daughter of Alfred and Cindy Avila, competed in the All Star Pageant in Amarillo Saturday, Feb. 22. She won her All-Star division, Beautiful Babe, Photogenic and Sportswear. Her grandparents are George and Virginia Young and Joe and Paula Avila. Great-grandparents are Freeland Bartz and Mary Sedgwick, all of Spearman.

Hometown news

war exercise with forces from Kuwait.

Before returning to Japan, Lopez visited several foreign ports, including Phuket, Thailand; Bahrain and Abu Dhabi in the United Arab Emirates; Muscat, Oman, Singapore and Hong Kong.

The 1990 graduate of Spearman High School joined the Navy in September 1990.

Spec. Alan R. Beeson has been decorated with the Army Commendation Medal.

The medal is awarded to those individuals who demonstrate out-

standing achievement or meritorious service in the performance of their duties on behalf of the Army.

The soldier is a cavalry scout at Christensen Barracks, Bindlach, Germany.

Beeson is the son of Jim and Linda Beeson of Spearman. He graduated from Spearman High School in 1988.

Army Spec. Margaret Massengale, a single channel radio operator, has arrived for duty at Fort Stewart, Ga.

Massengale is the daughter of Norma L. Vaughn of Stinnett.

THANK YOU

We extend our thanks for the prayers and phone calls during L.D.'s illness. He continues to recover and would enjoy cards & letters.

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Oklahoma Panhandle State University student teachers learn from hands on experience with area children and associate professor Patricia Tinch in the public school art class. Participating in the class are (standing, l-r) Tracy Bevill of Gruver; Patsy Todd of Sunray; Tamara Kingham of Guymon, Okla.; (seated) Zack Nollner of Spearman; and Joshua Clodfelter of Guymon.



Tommy and Sharon Saltzman of Gruver announce the engagement of their daughter, Tracy Dawn, to Todd James Ryan, son of Tommy and Judy Ryan of Lubbock. The bride-elect is the granddaughter of Ruth Knudson of Spearman and Mary Ellen Kagel of Hot Springs, Ark. The couple plans to be wed June 13 at the Paragon Hotel in Lubbock. The bride-elect is a graduate of Texas Tech University in Lubbock and is employed by Second Baptist Child Development Center. The prospective groom is employed by Lubbock Gasket and Supply.

Panhandle Crisis Center

by Mary Frances Ellzey
PERRYTON - You readers familiar with us may skip this paragraph, and start with the next one. The PCC offers services to men or women who are victims of domestic violence, whether verbal or physical. We give counseling, support, and information to these victims, plus a shelter to those who feel themselves to be in danger at home. These services are free of charge. If you want information only, call us at the office from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. We are available for help at any time, 24 hours a day. Our number is 435-5008. For those of you who must call us long distance, we have a toll-free number: 1-800-753-5308.

Talk about a luscious meal - the Mexican Pile-on last Friday provided lots of that plus lots of fun visiting with participants in the record crowd that attended. Not only that, but it was a successful fund-raiser - we netted approximately \$1,300! (Of course we can always use more!)

Speaking of more - on a Friday in March at Booker, we'll present the Amarillo Little Theater performance of THE TAFFETAS, a highly touted musical (much better than last year's!) as another fund raiser. Cost of tickets is \$5. A potato pile-on, plus desserts, will be provided for an additional \$3. The Panhandle Crisis Center receives the profits from the musical.

As yet we don't know who will profit by the potato pile-on, but you can be sure it'll be a group that needs it. Of course you can partake of the pile-on without attending the musical, or you can attend the musical without the pile-on. But what fun you'll be missing!

Recently we acquired six more volunteers for responding to calls for help from victims of violence. These women will receive six 1 1/2 hour sessions of training before they

begin their services. Believe me, we take good care of our volunteers, for we want them to continue in their work as volunteers and even encourage others to join them for this splendid service.

Last year we sheltered 28 women and their 43 children. In addition we served 134 women and their 34 children, who did not need the Shelter. We gave information and referrals to 279 callers, and received 614 Hotline calls. Through our 1-800 number we received 187 calls.

Doesn't sound much as if the need for us is diminishing, does it? Either the need is increasing, or the victims are coming out of the closet - or both. That's a sad report to make, but thank God we are available!

By the way, we continue to receive very high marks for the quality of our services and our meticulous care in handling our financing from both the region and the state.

Those of us who were able to go to lunch on Thursday with the representative from the state Council on Family Violence and the representative from the state Department of Human Services not only garnered a lot of valuable information, but had a delightful visit with these two vibrant women.

REPORTER-STATESMAN CLASSIFIEDS WORK!

PSU sets enrollment clinic

GOODWELL, Okla. - Oklahoma Panhandle State University will be holding a pre-enrollment clinic for high school seniors and junior college transfers on Friday, March 20. Enrollment for the fall semester is completed at the clinic. OPSU offers out-of-state waivers to surrounding area students.

The clinic will begin at 9 a.m. with registration at the OPSU Admissions Office, Room 126 in Sewell-Loofburrow Hall. Entrance exams will be given from 10:00 until 11:45 a.m. After lunch in the Student Union, an information session will be held in the Student Union Ballroom until 1:30 p.m. From 1:30 to 2 p.m. the office of Public Information will be taking pictures to send to hometown newspapers. The pre-enrollment process begins with advisement by faculty advisors at 2 p.m.

The advantages of attending an OPSU pre-enrollment clinic include: a better selection of courses offered, individualized attention for each student, personalized advisement from a university faculty member, and information sessions covering topics such as scholarships, financial aid, student services and activities, housing, athletics, peer counseling, placement, and tutoring. OPSU strongly emphasizes individual attention and faculty/student relationships while attending college.

To attend a pre-enrollment clinic at Oklahoma Panhandle State University, make a reservation by phone or mail; bring an official transcript; bring a copy of your ACT/SAT scores; and plan to take an entrance exam if you will be a freshman or a transfer student with fewer than 24 credit hours.

If the first time student is unable to attend the above clinic, an opportunity to enroll may be scheduled by contacting the Office of Admissions.

All questions concerning pre-enrollment at OPSU can be directed to the Office of Admissions by writing Panhandle State University, PO Box 430, Goodwell, OK 73939, or by calling (405) 349-2611, extension 274 or 375.

Hometown news

PLAINVIEW - One student from Gruver has been named to the Dean's Honor Roll for the 1991 fall semester at Wayland Baptist University.

The student is Yvette Miller, senior, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alan Miller.

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On The Go With Joy

by Joy Henderson

Five years ago this week, Feb 26th to be exact, I underwent one of the most traumatic experiences I have ever been faced with. I was laid up in a bed for over 6 days in St. Anthony's waiting for the cardiologist and heart surgeon to decide what to do with me. Thank God for modern medicine and the skilled hands of a surgeon who believed he could do what was necessary to save my life.

But wait! That is not the end of the story. When they tried to remove the respirator, I fought for air and they had to delay that process. Other things began to go wrong. I was moved into a room with the most modern equipment just installed, but that shorted out and I could smell the wires burning somewhere in the walls and little wisps of smoke could be seen. It was unplugged. Next, my IV which was installed while I was in Spearman hospital early Saturday morning the 21st began to infiltrate and my arm swelled up twice its normal size. Naturally, most all of the personnel had left for breakfast, but a male nurse recognized the danger and removed it.

The next thing that happened was I was hallucinating that there was no hope left for me and I waited all night for them to unplug my "stuff" and let me go. Boy! did I get sassy when I saw the nurse start squeezing all the air out of the tubes etc. When I asked her if I was going to die, she replied, "No, Mrs. Henderson, I'm the best cardiac nurse here and I won't let you die." I sure was relieved that St. Anthony's had the best.

The next thing early Saturday morning Feb. 28th, the morning shift came on duty and decided I needed to walk and with Dr.'s orders and after she got back from breakfast, she proceeded to help me up to walk and nearly dragged me and all the paraphernalia that has to go along, clear across the hall and around the desk with all the monitors.

By that time it was lunchtime and she propped me in a chair with my tray and then she took off for lunch. She left me there for quite awhile and I was too far away for the buzzer. I slept with my arm supporting my head. Finally she came back and tended to me. But guess what?

The next time she suggested I get up for a nice walk, they discovered I had had a stroke sometime that day. No one watched the monitors close enough and we don't know for sure when it happened.

Well, after spending 4 weeks in

St. Anthony's and then moving to Bivins for 4 weeks of "rehab," I have recovered about 75 percent of normal. Most of you don't notice it much, but my speech was affected especially when I'm tired and there was some nerve damage to my left foot. Well, so much for my story.

What I really want to accomplish to make you all aware that if you have the wrong eating habits - get rid of them before it is too late. Most of the members of my family have had heart problems and most of them were caused by high cholesterol foods and in my case no exercise. But the ones who have done a lot of exercise still had heart problems. However, when we were growing up loving greasy fried potatoes and all that junk food, we did not know what the future held for us. So change your lifestyle for the better to protect your life.

Peggy Dillow was being plagued with carpal tunnel syndrome which are fancy words for a problem with nerves and muscles in her hand. The required surgery means she will have her hand in a cast for several days. This means maybe Don will get some experience at routine "women's work" or Peggy will have to learn the one handed method. We wish her a speedy recovery. Eva Dozier is at home now and learning to get along with a walker. But she is experienced with most of this and happy that no malignancy was found.

We learned that Russ Chisum's father passed away suddenly from a heart attack. His funeral will be Tuesday in Dalhart. In addition to Russ, Troy Chisum was related to Debbie Chisum and others in this area.

Quite a few people left town for ski trips, livestock show, basketball playoffs etc. Taking advantage of spring break are Bill and Sylvia Duncan who motored to Arkansas to check up on Bill's dad, Ted Duncan. We hope the visit with Bill will perk him up and make him feel better. I don't know if Sylvia will get in a quick visit with the Styles family, but there is quite a concern for one of Sylvia's nephews who is

being treated with a problem in the esophagus area.

Weldon and Elene Green are taking a few days to attend the Abilene Christian University lectureship program. If there are a few minutes between, they will be able to enjoy some TLC from kids, grandkids, brother Bo and his family and to renew old friendships.

Lonnie and Marva Burnam and their daughters Valerie and Molly dropped in for a visit with Marva's parents, Val and Marlene Winger and grandmother Pauline. They are from Friona.

Colby Morris replied after I asked him where he and his dad, Troy, had gone. "We went on a long trip with Grandmother." Jennifer explained that they had gone up to Kansas for a short time.

Cheryl TeBeest Powell enjoyed a brief visit with her parents, the Gerald TeBeests. She is from Amherst, Texas.

Grandmother Maude Alexander received visits from family, Lisa Gordon from Houston and Harley Murrell's children Chad and Keely from Perryton.

Ross Renner was another visitor to Abilene recently. If I'm not mistaken, he has future plans for enrolling in ACU. I think his buddy Clay Smith also attends there.

Bernice Dudley enjoyed a visit from two of her sisters. No "info" at this time as to names or places.

Senior Citizens 4th Monday meeting had a good turn out for games and pot luck dinner. Those attending were James and Ada Joyce Stejdie, True and Frankie Leatherman, I.W. and Maylynn Ayres, Ralph and Beaulah Bort, Jessie Spivey, Verna Finley, Eva Boyd, Viola Boyd, Vivian Green, Maude McClellan, Merle Arthur, Faye Cluck, Leo Frazier, Veta Allaway, Fay Blount, Rebecca Westerfield, Delphine Etling, J.C. Harris, Ida Hendrick, Pauline Winger, Ada Barnes from Spearman and special guests Jim and Joy Hughes from Guymon, Okla. The Hughes presented a program about their tour service who will soon be going through Gruver.

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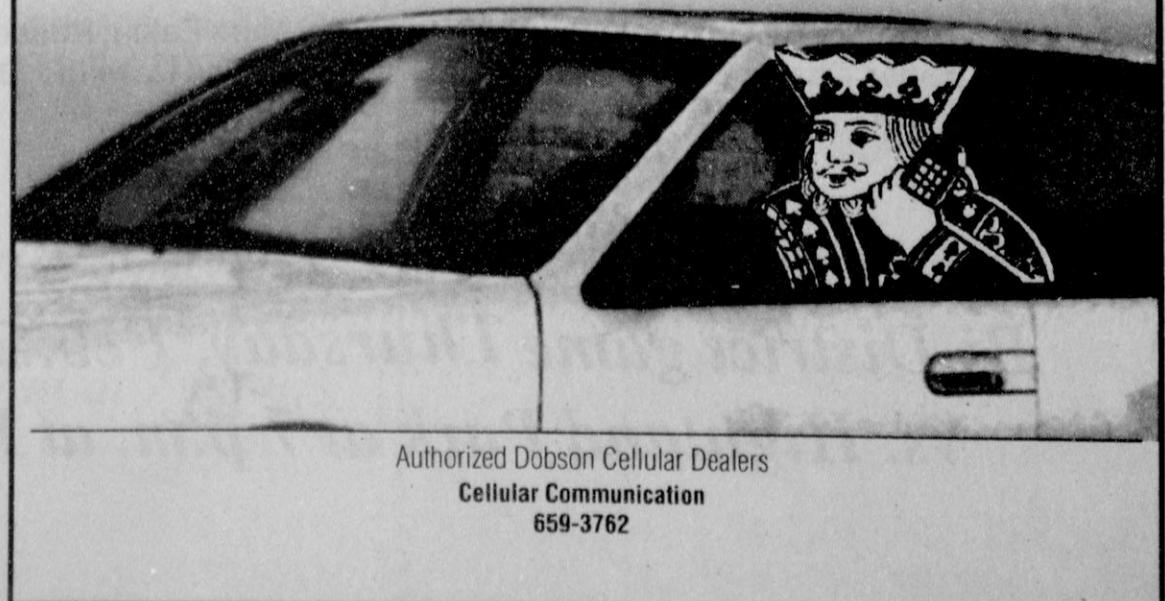
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1991-92 SPEARMAN LYNXETTES ... (back row, l-r) Joy Gafford, Mary Cook, Laura Pearson, Melodie Schumann, Tamri Townsen, Michelle Garnett, Kimbre Townsen, Coach Jim Kirkland, Kristi Williams, (front row, l-r) Mendy Lasater and Jill Lusby.

Undefeated District 1-2A Champions Bi-District Champions

Good Luck Spearman Lynx



1991-92 SPEARMAN LYNX ... (back row, l-r) Khris Kelp, Mark Eakin, Russell Shaver, Cody Pipkin, Dallas Trospen, Mike Hager, Coach Wendell Neff, (front row, l-r) Darian Hawkins, Brady Reed, Brian Beck, Justin Boyd and Troy Law.

*Bi-District game Thursday, Feb. 27, 1992
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Lynx and Lynxettes

Congratulations and Good Luck Gruver Lady Hounds and Greyhounds



1991-92 GRUVER LADY HOUNDS ... (20) Stacey Williams, senior; (24) Traci Crawford, junior; (44) Kasey Davis, junior; (30) Cora Meyer, junior; (54) Holly Venneman, junior; (10) Monica Ward, junior; (40) Wynn Maupin, sophomore; (42) Mika McLain, sophomore; (12) Anissa Ryan, sophomore; (32) Julie Meyer, freshman; (22) Tisha Ralston, freshman.

Undefeated District 1-1A Champions

Bi-District Champions - Area Champions

First Regional game Friday, Feb. 28, 1992 vs. Sudan at 1:30 p.m.
at Levelland



1991-92 GRUVER GREYHOUNDS ... (14) Chad Brown, senior; (34) Matthew Hoel, senior; (32) Ryan Mathews, Senior; (10) Marty McCloy, senior; (42) Luke Miller, senior; (22) Shannon Pool, senior; (52) Rex Ralston, senior; (30) Trent Seagler, senior; (54) Carey Kauffman, junior; (20) Brady Pool, junior; (12) Kevin Spivey, junior.

Undefeated District 1-1A Champions

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**Greyhounds
and
Lady Hounds**

Spearman Lynxettes win bi-district game, fall short by one point in area matchup

The Spearman Lynxettes overcame their first hurdle in their race for a state 2A championship by beating Highland Park Friday, Feb. 21, by a score of 38-30, but were tripped up by Abernathy in the area game, losing 36-37.

Both games were dominated by strong defense. The Lynxettes seemed to be able to shut down the Highland Park offense whenever they needed, to stay in the lead. Though the Lynxettes' defense was able to slow down, and many times stop, the Abernathy offense, on offense the Lynxettes did not score enough to put the game away.

At the end, it was an Abernathy girl on the free throw line with two free throws to shoot, in a tied ball game with one second left on the

clock. Abernathy's Elise Prather swished her first free throw to effectively win the game for Abernathy.

To get to those last-second dramatic moments the Lynxettes battled back from a six-point deficit at halftime to tie the game, and then take the lead in the third quarter. Laura Pearson started the Lynxette point surge with 5:50 left in the third quarter.

Two times in a row the ball was passed to Pearson down low near the basket, and both times the Abernathy defenders were unable to stop her from sinking the baskets. Then Tamri Townsen got the ball near the basket and drew a foul when she went up for a shot. She sank both of her free throws to

tie the game at 22.

For the rest of the quarter the two teams stayed within one or two points of each other. The period ended with the score 27-28, in favor of Abernathy.

In the fourth period Joy Gafford put the Lynxettes in the lead with a three-point basket. The Lynxettes then forced Abernathy to turn the ball back to them and Jill Lusby pushed the Lynxette lead to 32-28 with a baseline drive ending with a lay-up basket. The Lynxettes had a four-point lead with 3:40 left in the game.

In the next three minutes and 40 seconds, the Lynxettes scored only four more points. One basket was on a Gafford steal and

breakaway lay-up, and the second was on a Townsen basket low. Pearson picked up her fourth and fifth fouls and had to sit out the last two minutes and 21 seconds of the game.

Abernathy scored on a three point play from Pearson's fourth foul, and scored again on two other foul shots. A lay-up and the last minute free throw, both by Prather, won the game for Abernathy.

Spearman Girls-Varsity vs. Abernathy, 2/25 at Amarillo High School Spr. 36 - Abe. 37

Scoring: Jill Lusby-6, Joy Gafford-7 (1-3 pt.), Melodie Schuman-2, Tamri Townsen-8, Laura Pearson-13



Laura Pearson shoots over the outstretched hand of an Abernathy defender as she puts in two of her team-high 13 points.



Laura Pearson and Mendy Lasater try to trap the Abernathy ball handler in the back court.



Junior girls league basketball players included fifth and sixth graders (front row, l-r) Dynell Vera, Cassie Butt, Brandi Burch, (back row, l-r) Lindsey Smith, Lisa Swink, Kristi Carbajal, Krista McCaby and Meg Woolley and coach Terry Butt.



Playing in the fifth and sixth grade girls' junior basketball league were (front row, l-r) Texanna Clyburn, Brooke Trantham, Gina Kunselman, (back row, l-r) Gayle Mayfield, Sonya Salgado, Rebecca Howard, Leslie Holton, Kasey Dunnihoo and coach Richard Trantham.



(photo courtesy Sheila Watley)

Fifth and sixth grade girls playing in the junior girls basketball league included (front row, l-r) Candace Fulce, Lana Martin, Ashley Brown, (back row, l-r) coach Telle O'Quin, Deanna Zabin, Dets! Vera, Kelsha O'Quin, Kristi Dement and coach Keith Martin.



(photo courtesy Sheila Watley)

Fifth and sixth grade girls who played in the junior girls basketball league included (front row, l-r) Stephanie Bowling, Brittni Beedy, Kristal Burkhammer, Rachel Burch, (back row, l-r) coach Shelley Beedy, Chrissy Bensinger, Kristin Beedy, Misha Davis, Randi Burch and coach Becky Beedy.

SPEARMAN ISD MARCH 2-6 LUNCH

Monday - corn dog, macaroni and cheese, cut broccoli, fruit, birthday cake, milk

Tuesday - tacos, ranch style beans, lettuce-tomato salad, taco sauce, cheese cups, fruit, milk

Wednesday - chicken a la king over rice, seasoned green beans, hot roll, peanut butter blend, fruit, milk

Thursday - meat sauce-spaghetti, blackeyed peas, spinach, bread sticks, fruit, milk

Friday - cheeseburger, french fries, lettuce, tomato, pickle, onion, cookie, milk

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Monday - cereal, toast, apple juice, milk

Tuesday - waffles, sausage, grape juice, milk

Wednesday - muffins, toast, orange juice, milk

Thursday - donuts, cheese toast, apple juice, milk

Friday - biscuits, sausage, orange juice, milk

LUNCH

Monday - taco, soft burrito, beans, salad, fruit, cookie, milk

Tuesday - steak, potatoes, gravy, black-eyed peas, salad, fruit, milk

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Hounds begin quest against Mustangs

by Bob Bort

The Gruver Greyhounds will begin their quest for a fourth consecutive Regional Tournament appearance at Levelland Thursday, Feb. 27 at 7 p.m. at Borger's Tex Hanna Fieldhouse against the runners-up from District 2-A, the Claude Mustangs.

Gruver's bi-district championship game at Borger against the Mustangs will mark the 13th game the Hounds have played in the playoffs the past four years. They have won nine, and lost only three. The losses were to New Home in the regional finals, to Sudan in the regional semi-finals, and to Paducah last year, also at Levelland.

The Hounds warmed up this week with a game against the Tulia Hornets at the WTSU Fieldhouse in Canyon, and they were beaten 73-57. Tulia is a AAA playoff team, and the defeat was no embarrassment. It was only meant to better

prepare the Hounds for the playoffs, and it did that.

Trent Seagler scored 21 points for the Hounds, and looked very good. The Hounds played Tulia tough for the first half, before the Hornets exerted the strength of a larger school in the second half.

If the Hounds beat Claude, they will play the Petersburg-Munday winner next Monday or Tuesday, March 2 or 3, then they would be bound for Levelland the following weekend, if they win. Their area game would likely come against the number four ranked team in the state, Petersburg, then they would probably play either Hartley or Nazareth at Levelland.

According to Coach Tim Garland of the Hounds, their game against Claude will be no cinch. "They have the one big kid, about 6-11, and he is a real threat," says Garland. He continues, "They have the good size, plus a couple of good shooters. They are a sound ball club."

Gruver will be favored, by virtue of their number six state ranking. Hartley, a team which lost to the Hounds, beat Claude in a warm-up game, 90-67. But this is the playoffs, and anything goes.

GRU (25-6) 13-25-40-57
TUL (18-10) 15-26-50-73
3-point shots: Kevin Spivey-3
G- Trent Seagler-21, Kevin Spivey-14, Shannon Pool-10, Matthew Hoel-6, Marty McCloy-6

Southwest Outdoors

with Mel Phillips

Mark your calendar and make plans to attend the public hearings sponsored by the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department. Only two hearings are scheduled in our region! The first one is Monday, March 2, in the Potter County Courthouse starting at 7 p.m. The second is scheduled for Lubbock County Commissioners' Court on Tuesday, March 3.

After listening to over 1,000 fishermen concerning the conditions at Lake Meredith, listed below are some of the best suggestions on how to improve fishing in West Texas.

(1.) Stop All Cove Kills - Historically, Lake Meredith, claimed as "one of the most intensively managed lakes in the state," has the most cove kills, but the best local fishing lake is Baylor Lake, which has not been subjected to a cove kill in 10 years!!

(2.) Establish Sanctuary Coves in the best spawning spots on each lake. From April til May, use buoys and signs to protect two or three prime locations from boating, fishing, water skiing and even disruption by TPW biologists.

(3.) Add Baitfish - Try new varieties and stock them several times each year. Adding additional bait fish makes more sense than wiping out the population base of smallmouths or other gamefish. The rod and reel anglers do not find a surplus of gamefish in any of our local lakes!

(4.) Experiment - In Lake

Meredith, the very popular and easy-to-catch sand bass was not stocked by TPW! Desperate anglers, wanting something to catch, brought them in. Why not experiment with hybrids, stripers, Kentuckies, or even saugeyes? A good argument can be made for these cooperative and tasty fish.

(5.) Stop Using Meredith as a Walleye Hatchery. If TPW insists on making walleye the dominant gamefish, at least allow the walleye to spawn without disruption.

(6.) Study Our Neighbors - In September of 1991, the taxpayers paid for a poorly drafted (but widely distributed) "misinformation" letter signed by TPW biologist Joe Kraai in which he claimed, "New Mexico stocks no black bass in any of their lakes..." Despite other gross and flagrant errors in that official letter, the TPW officials closed ranks without ever checking the facts or publicly acknowledging any mistakes.

(7.) Change the TPW Attitude as repeatedly expressed by Joe Kraai who claims that locals just don't know how to catch fish at Meredith. Fact #1. Locals are catching walleye at Lake Conchas. Fact #2. Locals are catching walleye and striped at Lake Foss.

The most important fact is that the locals are tired of spending their money driving out-of-state or downstate. They are ready for better fishing at local lakes ... and they deserve better.

See you at the courthouse.



Holly Venneman shoots the easy lay-up on her way to being the top Lady Hounds scorer.

First playoff win in 28 years . . .

Lady Hounds capture bi-district

by Bob Bort

The Gruver Lady Hounds became a playoff-veteran basketball team Friday, Feb. 21 at the West Texas State Fieldhouse in Canyon, with their first victory in the playoffs in 28 years.

Gruver captured the bi-district championship with a hard-fought 67-56 victory over a game, but outmanned, team of athletes from Valley High School. Gruver incinerated the hoops for a blazing 60% field goal shooting percentage. But 28 turnovers, to only 17 for Valley, made for an interesting game.

"No, I wasn't satisfied with the way we played," said Gruver coach Steve Myatt. "But," he added, "I probably wouldn't be satisfied if we won state. There's always little things to improve on. We will play better - we need to settle down and get our poise back. We were tight and nervous, and lost our poise a couple of times. But generally, it's a great feeling to win."

Mika McLain came out literally on fire, hitting her first five shots in the first quarter as the Lady Hounds stormed to a 17-4 lead. It was to be their largest lead of the night, as Valley would fight back time and again, thanks to several prolonged instances of thievery under their own basket and in their own back yard. The Lady Hounds had a lot of trouble advancing the ball past half court after Valley scores.

But except for the turnovers the Lady Hounds played well, especially considering the pressure on them to break the long-standing jinx and win this ballgame. They outrebounded the Lady Patriots 41-22 for the game, 26-11 on the defensive boards, many times giving Valley only the one shot.

Holly Venneman and McLain were the inside-outside twins - Ms. Inside and Ms. Outside, if you will - as each scored 22 points, McLain from 10-15 feet, and Venneman under the basket. Venneman pulled down 12 rebounds, along with Julie Meyer, who did the same.

After the Lady Hounds blew out to the big lead, Valley came back to trail only 20-19 shortly into the second quarter. The Lady Hounds again jumped out 30-19 with 10 straight points, but again Valley came back, this time to actually take a 40-38 lead just before the end of the third quarter. But Tisha Ralston stole the ball and hit a jumper under the basket, and Julie Meyer hit a jumper, and the Lady

Hounds again led 42-40 at the end of the third quarter.

The Lady Patriots tied it 42-42 at the start of the fourth quarter, but then the roof fell in on them as Gruver again scored 10 unanswered points to lead 52-42. McLain hit on a jumper, Venneman scored under the basket, Meyer scored under the basket, Wynn Maupin had a steal and a lay-in, and Venneman a pair of free throws for the 10 big points that put the game away. Valley made motions to come back a couple of times, but the Lady Hounds hung on to the lead and won by 11.

Anissa Ryan scored only one point as point guard, but she gave the Gruver ladies some desperately needed expertise in advancing the ball down court after inbounding.

At the very end the Lady Hounds had a chance to fold, leading 55-52 with 2:20 to play, and only 60-56 in the last minute of play. But they responded by scoring the last seven

points in that last minute, and were equal to the pressure.

Defensively, the Lady Hounds played a good ball game, limiting the Lady Pats to a 38% field goal shooting percentage. From the free throw line, Gruver was 19-30 and Valley was 13-19. Four Valley girls fouled out, as they out fouled Gruver 30-21.

All in all, the Gruver ladies can be duly proud of their performance in the first playoff victory since February 1964.

GRU (21-10) 18-32-42-67
VAL (16-13) 10-24-40-56
3-point shots: Angie Pointer
G- Mika McLain-22, Holly Venneman-22, Julie Meyer-14, Wynn Maupin-4, Tisha Ralston-4, Anissa Ryan-1
V- Angie Pointer-18, Katy Browning-15, Brandi Gaddis-7, Julie Clay-6, Julie Cruz-6, April Brittain-2, Kasey Fuston-2

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Monday - Salisbury steak, mashed potatoes, gravy, vegetables, pudding, hot rolls, milk
Tuesday - chicken noodle soup, crackers, pickle spears, fruit, cookies, milk
Wednesday - chicken fried steak, mashed potatoes, gravy, vegetables, jello, hot rolls, milk
Thursday - frito pie with cheese, tossed salad, fruit, milk
Friday - hamburgers, french

fries, lettuce, pickles, cheese, rice crispie treats, milk
Salad bar Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday only

BREAKFAST

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Joy Gafford and Alfonso Martinez, both Spearman High School students, are among the academic top 2 percent of graduating seniors who will receive certificates of achievement in the Tandy Technology Scholars program.

Each participating school in the

program may nominate a senior who is outstanding in mathematics, science or computer science. These students receive a certificate recognizing them as a Tandy Technology Scholar. In addition, they are eligible for one of the 100 scholarships of \$1,000, awarded annually.



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Vanderburg, Renner win at Ft. Worth stock show

Brandon Vanderburg and Ronda Renner, both of Spearman, were chosen winners at the 1992 Southwestern Exposition and Livestock Show in Fort Worth, which concluded a 17-day run on Feb. 2.

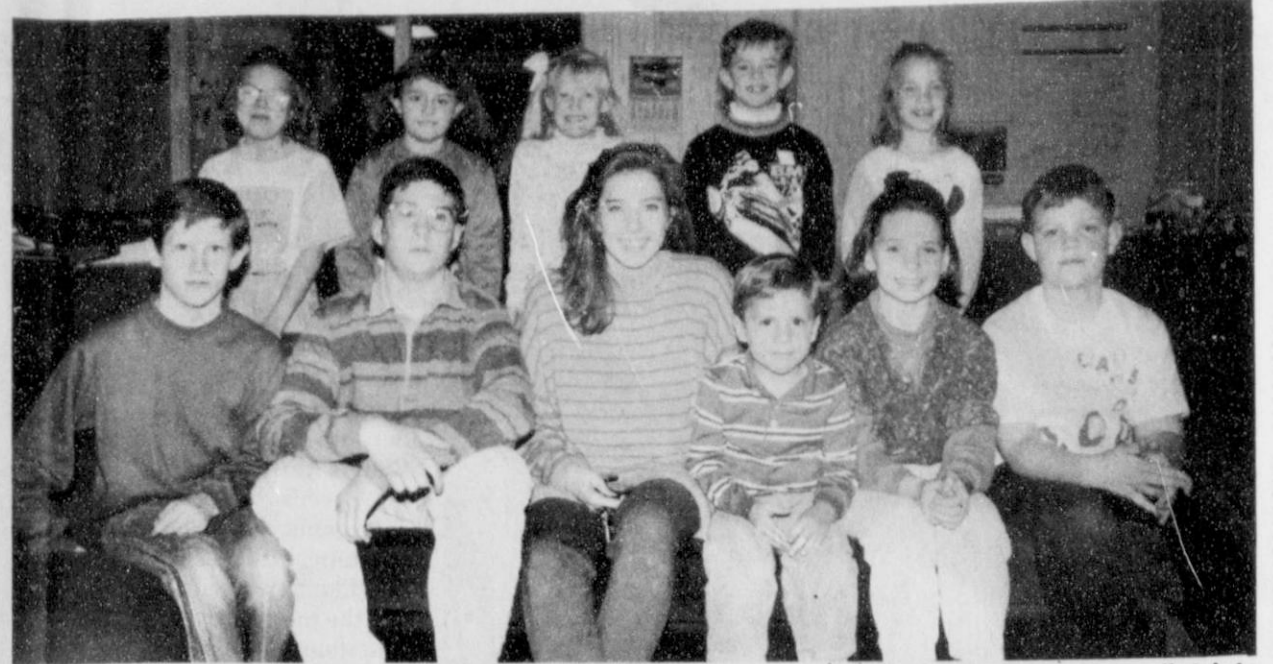
Vanderburg exhibited the fourth place light weight Shorthorn steer and Renner exhibited the fifth place heavy weight European cross steer. Vanderburg also had fifth place in Limousin senior heifers, calved October 1990.

Of the over 17,000 head of livestock judged during the stock show, some 6,800 were involved in the Junior Division, open to Texas youth who are active in 4-H Clubs and FFA Chapters.

The grand champion steer brought a near record price of \$50,000. The champion was shown by Lea Bernsen, a 4-H Club member from Robstown. Reserve grand champion steer, owned by Mindy Ballard of Rochester 4-H Club, was purchased for a record price of \$32,000.

A banner year was charted by the show, posting an attendance record of 813,100 visitors, which included a peak crowd of 144,593 at a rodeo performance and people from 62 foreign countries.

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These students' entries in the PTA Reflections contest were chosen to compete at the district level. The students include (seated, l-r) Randy Burress, Tom Kirk, Mikki Raper, Nicholas Behney, Leah Torrez, Chad Scarborough, (standing, l-r) Amber Ramon, Lacy Miesner, Sara Olsen, Brandon Clyburn and Allison Behney.

Students take part in PTA program

Spearman school students recently completed local-level competition in the PTA Reflections program.

Participants in the Primary Visual Arts category were: Deidre Pope, Dave Pope, Keilee Goodheart, Taylor Simpson, Tatum Rice, Claudia Vaquera, Nekisha Whitefield, Ashlee Flowers, Monica Behney, Sara Olsen, Garrett Martin, Patrick Jerman, Jenn Schnell, Chad Sherlock, Jeffrey Swan, Josiah Vasquez, Branton Fuller, Brienne Burkhammer, Amberly Gregurek, Wayne McCubbin, Leslie Widener, B.J. Hughes, Julie Bravo;

Also Heather Scroggs, Holly Tercero, Wade Evans, Dana Sharp, Allan Thompson, Jentry Edwards, Marcus Vasquez, Kevin Beedy, Daniel Pape, Nathan Rook, Bryan Miracle, Nicole Ramon, Garrett Griffin, Loree Baca, Michael Lozano, Ryan Atkins, Cristina

Salgado, Lance Baker, Ruben J. Vera, Courtney Partney, Marty Miesner, Colton Miller;

Also Sarah George, Allison Behney, Tony Wrinkle, Clinton Wrinkle, Mindee Gillaspie, Daniel Longoria, Kandace Boyd, David Crouse, Eric Vasquez, Ashley Powers, Danielle McDaniel, Gerardo

Shields wins scholarship

Bob Shields of Spearman was among 28 Texas youths awarded scholarships for their participation in the 1991 Fort Worth Calf Scramble sponsored by the Southwestern Exposition and Livestock Show.

Shields, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lonnie Shields, is a student at Spearman High School and active in the FFA Chapter. His project for the year was a Hereford heifer. Bob was awarded a \$500 scholarship grant.

Winners were chosen from a field of 224 FFA and 4-H Club participants from across Texas who were involved in the 1991 Calf Scramble. Each was evaluated on the basis of criteria from three areas of their year-long project - monthly correspondence with sponsors, record keeping and final essay.

The scholarships are to be used by the students, beginning with their freshman year in college. The current awards culminate the fifth year for the Fort Worth Calf Scramble's calf purchase and scholarship program.

In all the Stock Show awarded \$20,500 in scholarship funds as part of the Calf Scramble.

Hernandez, Matthew Francis, David Pipkin, Cristi Rogers, Michael Carey, and Jarin Brown.

In Pre-Kindergarten the entrants were Nicholas Behney, Jared George, and Dustin Ellis.

Participants in Intermediate Visual Arts were Randy Burress, Audra Sanders, Jerald Jay Fight, Joshua Lackey, Aaron Thompson, Leslie Holton, Derek Lee George, Sydney Woodington, Mandy Vernon, Derek George, Mia Sasser, Quentin Shieldknight, Sonya Salgado, George Holguin, Brittne Beedy, Jocelyn Edwards, Leah Torrez, Jason Genn, Derek George, Tommy Jerman, Leslie Holton, Jeremy Ledgewood, Nakoa Anderson, Anthony Bravo, Steven Burch and Monica Davila.

In Intermediate Music was Lacey Miesner and in Primary Music was Brandon Clyburn.

Allison Behney and Dib Kirk were in the Primary Literature category and Tom Kirk was in the Junior High division.

In Primary Photo were Chad Scarborough, Julie Bravo, Brandon Clyburn and Nicole Ramon, and in Intermediate Photo were Amber Ramon, Dan Kunselman, Jennifer Laxson and Texana Clyburn. Mikki Raper was the Senior High Photo participant.

Entries in Intermediate Literature were Texana Clyburn, Doran Schoenhals, Leslie Holton, Landon Miller, Nakoa Anderson, Matt Scott, Lisa Tarango, Michelle Ochoa, Cassie Butt, Brittne Beedy, Landon Jackson, Deanna Zabin, Lardree Woodward, Leah Torrez, Jocelyn Edwards, Brenda Reichen, Cami Winegarner, Dallas Burgess and Margarita Holguin.

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