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Bigs in School Orientation

Bigs in Schools, the school-based mentoring program of Big Brothers Big Sisters of the Texas Panhandle, will soon begin its second year in Gus Birdwell Elementary in Spearman. The program takes the BBBS mission of placing caring adults in the lives of children to the schools.

Volunteer mentors from the community will meet once a week with children on the school campus for about 30-40 minutes. During this time the child and his/her Big Brother or Sister will talk, play games, read or do crafts and projects. "The important thing is building a relationship," explained Kimberley Lopez, local BBBS case manager. "The activities they do are fun and lead to good communication. This is not a tutoring program. Nationwide we're seeing remarkable results from caring adults spending one-on-one time with a child at school."

In fact, a 1999 study showed that children in BBBS's school-based mentoring programs develop more positive attitudes toward school, achieve higher grades, improve relationships with peers and adults, express their feelings better, develop higher levels of self-confidence and trust their teachers more.

"The children who are recommended for this program do not necessarily have academic problems, or any problem at all for that matter," explained Lopez. "They are simply students who will benefit from individual support and encouragement that helps them feel more positive about themselves, their abilities and school."

Bigs in School was piloted in Spearman Elementary last year. "We matched six children with mentors. It was a great success. Every teacher, parent, volunteer and child who participated is eager to be involved again," Lopez said. "We are looking forward to achieving the same positive results this year."

"We can help more students if we have more volunteers," she added. "We especially need Big Brothers."

Volunteers can range from high school students to senior citizens. Each must attend an orientation, and successfully complete a background investigation and an interview. "Bigs in Schools offers people who have evening or weekend commitments, or their own children at home, a chance to be a Big Brother or Sister because the relationship is restricted to the same time one day a week during the school year only. There is no contact between the child and volunteer outside of school at all."

An orientation session for those interested in learning more about the Bigs in School program will be held August 29th at 6:30 pm in the First State Bank Hospitality Room.

Those interested in more information about this innovative program are encouraged to contact Kimberley Lopez toll free at 1-877-716-3424, or Cindy Blackman at 659-3233.

Letter To The Editor

Dear Editor,
I am trying to locate telephone books or other sources that may have addresses of Spearman residents covering years 1928 through 1935.

To my dismay, church, school, utility records and the 1930 Spearman Census have not been productive. Hopefully there is someone who will recall where Lorraine, Edward and Marcus Larson lived during one of these years.

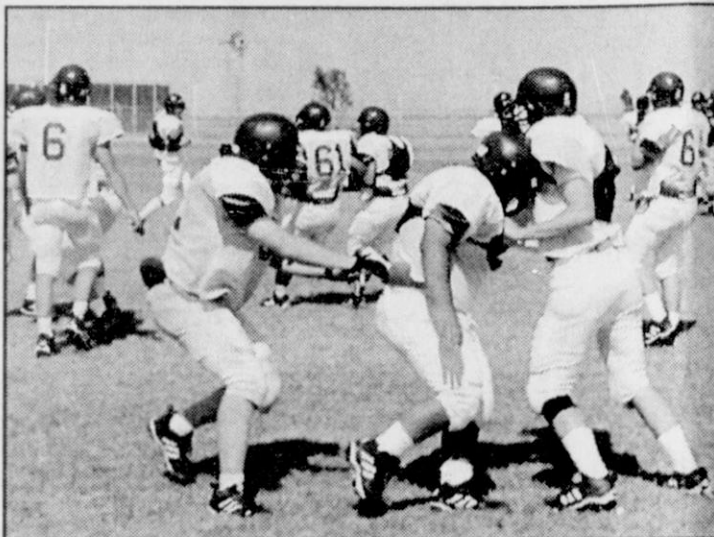
You and your associates are to be congratulated for the very attractive and information newspaper we receive each week. The use of microfilm, your newspaper and the fine column written by Helen Fisher will prove very valuable in the future for those who are interested in family history.

Your readers may call me collect at 254-754-2261 or write me at 208 Oriental Road, Waco, TX 76710.

Thanks,
Harold R. Larson

'Are You Ready For Some Football?'

Lynx, Hounds To Open 2002 Season



The Spearman Lynx varsity football team prepares for a tough season during an after-school workout.



Brandon Casdorff (left) helps teammate Dan Villegas with equipment adjustments in a Gruver Greyhound workout.

by Harletta Carthel

The Texas high school 2002 football season will kick off Friday night.

The Spearman Lynx will mount the challenge of the state's fourth-ranked Class A team as they travel to Sunray. The Gruver Greyhounds hit the road seeking a win against a tough Boys Ranch team which has moved up to Class 2A.

"Sunray had a good team last year in 2A, and I expect a good one this year as they will have many of the same kids back," Spearman Coach Rick Smith said.

"We look for their offensive to be 60% running and 40% passing," Smith said. "They have an option offense with a lot of spread formations."

The Lynx expect to stay with their Wing-T offense and establish a good running game.

"We have a good quarterback in Kevin Beedy. He's been quarterback since his sophomore year and is doing a good job throwing," Smith said. "We'll throw when we need to."

The remainder of the Lynx pre-district games are nearly as tough with White Deer (who made the playoffs last year) seventh-ranked Stratford, and the more experienced and always tough Texhoma Red Devils.

Coach Smith welcomes the challenge early season. "It will definitely help get us ready for district," Smith said.

Lynx fans need to be aware of a change in the Lynx schedule. The Lynx will play West Texas High on Saturday, October 12, a change from the usual Friday night games.

The Gruver Greyhounds are looking to repeat their 2001 win against Boys Ranch in their season opener. Playing the Rough Riders in district last year, the Hounds took an upset 27-20 win.

GHS Coach Bruce Bryant looks for the 2002 Riders to be big and "as good a Boys Ranch team as I have seen."

"They run a spread offense. They have a good line and a good quarterback. We must cover the pass," Bryant said.

In looking at the Hounds pre-district opponents, Bryant states that Panhandle, Highland Park, Texhoma, and Claude are all good teams. "There are no weak teams in the bunch," Bryant said.

The Hounds will work from a Wing-T offense with a balanced passing and running attack.

"We want to take advantage of our quickness," Bryant said.

Size will definitely be the Hounds' weakness, but Coach Bryant believes there are more factors involved in success. "We may be small, but we play with heart - a lot of heart, and we are a well-disciplined team," he said.

Emergency Haying, Grazing Extended In Hansford County

Hansford County has been notified that the Emergency Haying and Grazing of CRP Acreage has been extended until November 30, 2002, according to Steven Orr, County Executive Director for the Hansford County FSA Office. "Producers who are currently grazing CRP may continue to graze the same acreage at no additional charge, provided the stubble height is still within the requirements of their grazing plan," said Orr. "Producers wanting to hay or graze new or additional acreage should remember that before they begin haying or grazing any CRP acreage they must: 1. File a request for haying or grazing with FSA, 2.

Obtain a haying/grazing plan from NRCS, and 3. Have your application approved by the County Committee."

"CRP participants may donate haying or grazing privileges to any livestock producer who does NOT have an interest in the donated acres and who demonstrates a compelling need. If a producer donates CRP acres for haying and grazing, there will be no penalty assessed or CRP payment reduction. As an eligible CRP donor, the CRP participant cannot receive compensation of any kind for their donation" said Orr.

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both hayed and grazed. Haying is limited to one cutting. Uncut portions must be left in a contiguous block where possible. Any CRP acreage hayed or grazed is subject to a 25% per acre annual rental payment reduction unless a donation has occurred.

Participants must report acreage hayed or grazed not later than 10 days after the grazing period ends or the completion of haying or grazing.

Interested producers should contact the Hansford County FSA Office at 806-659-3036.

Fatal Crash Takes Lives of Spearman Mother, Son

by Harletta Carthel

A van/truck accident claimed the lives of Spearman residents Tina Pinkerton, 33, and her son Shaun Pillow, 15, Monday night, August 26, 2002.

The mother and son were returning to Spearman from an appointment in Dallas at the time of the crash. Both were pronounced dead at the scene by Ochiltree County Justice of the Peace Braden Karber.

According to Texas Highway Patrol Grant Hickman of Perryton, a 2000 Chrysler Town and Country Van was traveling west on 281 when it collided with a 2001 International tractor trailer at an intersection commonly known as 'Sam's Corner.' The tractor trailer was northbound on Highway 70 at 7:35 p.m. when the accident occurred.

The driver of the tractor trailer was en route from Lubbock to Colby, KS with a load of sunflower seeds. He was treated at the scene for minor cuts and abrasions.

Officer Hickman stated that the van was struck on the drivers side and that both occupants of the van were wearing their seat belts.

"There was construction at the site of the accident," Hickman said. "Our investigation is still ongoing."

Other officers assisting in the investigation of the accident included Gary Davis of Groom, Lynn Holland of Shamrock, Senior Trooper Kevin King, Sgt. Gribble of Clarendon, Senior Trooper Ed Longoria of Spearman, Damion Jones of Pampa, Hansford County Deputy Lance Swan, members of the Ochiltree County Sheriff's Department and Constable Duane Reid.

Officer Hickman praised the quick response and efficiency of the EMS.

School Enrollments Show Slight Changes

Spearman schools showed a slight increase in first day enrollment numbers while Gruver and Morse's first day figures reflected a slight decrease.

With a first day figure of 751 students, Spearman schools had a net gain of 12 students. Gruver schools reported 380 students which is down 11 from the 2001 first day figure, and Pringle-Morse School listed 101 students, down from 109 in 2001.

Individual campus totals for Spearman were high school 234, up from 219 in 2001; junior high 173, down from 177 in 2001, and Gus Birdwell Elementary 344, up from 343 in 2001.

Gruver's individual campus numbers included high school 137, up from 125 in 2001; junior high 106, down from 115 in 2001; and elementary 134, down from 151 in 2001.

Pringle-Morse's figure of 101 included grades pre-kindergarten through eighth grade.

Two years ago (August 2000) school totals on first day were Spearman 740, Gruver 433, and Pringle-Morse 115.

Gruver Police Chief Resigns, Accepts Dumas Position

James N. (Nick) Jordan ended over eight years of service with the Gruver Police Department Friday, August 16.

Beginning as a patrolman May 16, 1994, Jordan was promoted to Police Chief November 16, 1994, after the resignation of David Rosser.

Jordan also held the positions of Fire Marshall and Emergency Management Coordinator for the city of Gruver in addition to his past positions as EMS Director and Assistant Fire Chief.

Accepting a job with the Dumas Police Department, Jordan plans to attend classes at the Dumas campus of Amarillo College to work toward completion of his degree in Criminal Justice with the desire to use his education and experience to move up through the ranks to obtain a chief of police position in a larger police department.

Jordan and his wife, Angie, who has served as a physical therapist



Gruver Police Chief Nick Jordan

for Hansford Hospital, have two children Brienne, 10 and Skyler, 7.

"I have enjoyed working for the people of Gruver, and Angie, Brienne, Skyler, and I are going to miss everyone. We have made some really good friends here over

the years, and I think it would be hard to find a better bunch of people. Thanks to you all for being so good to us over the years and allowing us to be a part of the community," Jordan said.

Yucca Girl Scout Council Merges With Texas Plains Council

Girls Scouts of Yucca Council, based in Guymon, Okla., will merge with Girl Scouts - Texas Plains Council in Amarillo, a news release said.

Directors and delegates voted recently to dissolve the Yucca Council and merge with the Amarillo council to provide greater Girl Scout membership and program opportunities to girls within the Yucca Council jurisdiction, the release said.

Terri Hein, Yucca Council board president, said the decision was difficult, but the right thing to do in order to help Girl Scouting grow within the 14 councils it serves.

"The membership believes that girls who reside within both councils will benefit from combining the resources of the two councils," Hein said in the release.

Texas Plains Council board president Karen Davis agreed. "All girls will have valuable opportunities to interact with girls from five different states and 31 counties."

Founded in 1962, Yucca Council has served thousands of girls and adults in portions of Oklahoma, Texas, New Mexico, Colorado and Kansas.

"Combining the two councils makes sense and it will increase our capacity to serve more girls

more cost effectively through maximizing our collective resources," said Maria DeBrango Stichel, Texas Plains Council executive director.

All administrative business will be conducted from the Amarillo office. However, the office in Guymon will remain open, and two membership staff will serve girls and adults within the region.

Within the next year the combined membership will help to select a name for their council that more aptly describes their new identity, the news release said.

For more information about Girl Scouts, call 356-0096.

Laugh and Live

by Catherine R. Smith
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All of us have moments when we don't feel quite as smart as we think we are. Friend Bill Pittman sent me the following quotes. After reading them, I don't feel quite so bad.

Feeling Smart?

Question: If you could live forever, would you and why?
Answer: "I would not live forever, because we should not live forever, because if we were supposed to live forever, then we would live forever, but we cannot live forever, which is why I would not live forever." --Miss Alabama in the 1994 Miss USA contest.

"Whenever I watch TV and see those poor starving kids all over the world, I can't help but cry. I mean I'd love to be skinny like that, but not with all those flies and death and stuff." --Mariah Carey

"Smoking kills. If you're killed, you've lost a very important part of your life." --Brooke Shields, during an interview to become spokesperson for a federal antismoking campaign.

"I've never had major knee surgery on any other part of my body." --Winston Bennett, University of Kentucky basketball forward.

"Outside of the killings, Washington has one of the lowest crime rates in the country." --Mayor Marion Barry, Washington, DC.

"I'm not going to have some reporters pawing through our papers. We are the president." --Hillary Clinton commenting on the release of subpoenaed documents.

"That lowdown scoundrel deserves to be kicked to death by a jackass, and I'm just the one to do it." --A congressional candidate in Texas.

"I don't feel we did wrong in taking this great country away from them. There were great numbers of people who needed new land, and the Indians were selfishly trying to keep it for themselves." --John Wayne

"Half this game is ninety percent mental." --Philadelphia Phillies manager, Danny Ozark.

"It isn't pollution that's harming the environment. It's the impurities in our air and water that are doing it." --Al Gore, Vice President

"I love California. I practically grew up in Phoenix." --Dan Quayle

"We've got to pause and ask ourselves: How much clean air do we need?" --Lee Iacocca

"The word 'genius' isn't applicable in football. A genius is a guy like Norman Einstein." --Joe Theisman, NFL football quarterback & sports analyst.

"We don't necessarily discriminate. We simply exclude certain types of people." --Colonel Gerald Wellman, ROTC Instructor.

"If we don't succeed, we run the risk of failure." --Bill Clinton, President

"We are ready for an unforeseen event that may or may not occur." --Al Gore, VP

"Traditionally, most of Australia's imports come from overseas." --Keppel Enderbery

"Your food stamps will be stopped effective March 1992 because we received notice that you passed away. May God bless you. You may reapply if there is a change in your circumstances." --Department of Social Services, Greenville, South Carolina

"If somebody has a bad heart, they can plug this jack in at night as they go to bed, and it will monitor their heart through the night, and the next morning, if they wake up dead, there'll be a record." --Mark S. Fowler, FCC Chairman

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 :)

Adrian, Watlington Wed



Mr. & Mrs. Matthew Watlington

Christian DeAnne Adrian and Matthew Ray Watlington were united in marriage during a candle-light ceremony held at 7 p.m. on August 3, 2002 in the Richland Hills Baptist Church in Muleshoe. The ceremony was officiated by Rev. Don Ross, uncle of the groom. He is the pastor of First Baptist Church of Leedy, Oklahoma.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lonnie Adrian of Muleshoe. Ms. Sandra Blankenship of Gruver and Mr. Larry Don Watlington of Colorado City are parents of the groom. Mrs. Theron Eubanks of Muleshoe served as honorary grandmother for Christi. Matt's grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Ross of Gruver, and Matt's two great-aunts, Mrs. Maxine Ragsdale and Mrs. Norma Robinson, of

Amarillo, also attended. Given in marriage by her father, the bride was dressed in a gown she designed. It was of pure white, heavy brushed satin and featured princess seams that flared into a full-length a-line skirt. Pearl spaghetti straps supported the bodice, edged in pearls and encrusted with embroidered designs; it was accented with seed pearls and sequins. A row of tiny buttons lined the closure in the back stopping at the waist. The train flared from the waist opening to reveal re-embroidered lace fill with seed pearls and sequins. The gown was sown by Hellen Adrian, mother of the bride. The bride's bouquet was of fresh purple roses dispersed with baby's breath.

Gradee Adrian served her sister as maid of honor. Lela Hancock and Megan Tipps were bridesmaids, and Tim Harendt of Lubbock, cousin of the bride, served as bride's man. The girls wore gowns of deep purple brushed satin, featuring princess seams and spaghetti straps. They carried bouquets of purple roses. Mr. Harendt, who was dashing in his tuxedo, reflected the purple of the dresses in his tie.

Rachel Wilhite, cousin of the bride, was candle lighter. Flower girls, Lauren and Jodi Pingle of Amarillo, cousins of the groom, were pulled to the alter in a deco-

rated red wagon by the ring bearer, Beau Blankenship, brother of the groom. The little girls wore matching dresses that featured bodices of the purple satin and skirts of white Mira mist over taffeta. Beau wore a tuxedo with tails. His ring pillow held the original wedding bands of Christi's maternal grandparents.

Larry Don Watlington was his son's best man. Groomsmen included Kyle McNett of Gruver, Josh Mayhew of Amarillo and Cody Cazares of Gruver.

Registering guests were Valetha Eaton of Cheyenne, Wyoming and Emily Shirley of San Angelo, the bride's roommates. Travis Tunnel, Tyler Harendt, cousin of the bride and Dustin Ross, cousin of the groom, seated guests.

The couple left the church in a white horse-drawn carriage, decorated with purple roses to attend the reception held at the bride's parents home.

Guests were offered bride's cake served by Valetha Eaton. The bride's multi-level strawberry cake, which reflected the idea of a waterfall, was decorated with sugar flowers in shades of purple, violet and mauve. Johnnie Batty of Lazbuddie, longtime friend and mentor to Christi, created the cake. The groom's red velvet cake was designed in the shape of a mountain, complete with rock climber and bear. Christi created the cake for Matt, who is an avid rock climber. Emily Shirley served the cake and Janna Skaggs of Muleshoe served punch. The hors d'oeuvre table featured an array of delicacies prepared by the bride's aunt, Mary Allison of Gainesville. After a trip to the mountains of New Mexico, the couple will make their home in Denver, Colorado, where they will complete their college educations.

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MAXINE BANISTER

SPEARMAN - Maxine Banister, 90, died Monday, August 26, 2002. Funeral services were held at 10:30 a.m. on Wednesday, August 28, 2002 at the First Christian Church of Spearman with the Rev. Gary Smith officiating. Interment was in Hansford Cemetery under the direction of Boxwell Brothers Funeral Home of Spearman.

Maxine was born on March 21, 1912 in Buffalo, OK. She moved to Spearman from Oklahoma in 1927.

She married Frank "Buster" Banister in 1930. He preceded her in death in 1977. She was also preceded in death by her parents, Robert and Maude Bennett, two sons, R.C. Banister and Pat Banister, and a grandson, John Banister.

Mrs. Banister was a member of the First Christian Church of Spearman. She was the first woman Deputy Sheriff in Hansford County, serving for 20 years. She was also the first woman juror in Hansford County. She was a Girl Scout leader and mother advisor of the Rainbow Girls.

Survivors include two foster sons, Chad Boxford of Spearman and Don Boxford of Wenatchee, WA; a daughter-in-law, Jan Sheets of Spearman; six grandchildren; and 10 great-grandchildren.

ROSCOE LESTER NELSON

SPEARMAN - Roscoe Lester Nelson, 84, died on Tuesday, August 27, 2002.

Funeral services will be held on Saturday, August 31, 2002 at 11 a.m. in the First Baptist Church of Spearman with the Rev. Patrick Six and Rev. Ken Cole officiating. Interment will be in Hansford Cemetery under the direction of Boxwell Brothers Funeral Home of Spearman.

Roscoe was born on May 2, 1918 in Tipton, Missouri. He had lived in Hansford County for 43 years. He married Marguerite Allene Ulmer on July 3, 1938 in Perryton.

He was a building contractor. He owned Nelson Builders Supply and was a member of Golden Circle and Spearman Industrial Plan. He was a trustee at First Baptist Church, served as District Brotherhood President and Sunday School Director. He also served as a city councilman and on the Spearman Chamber of Commerce.

Survivors include his wife, Marguerite; three daughters and sons-in-law, Joanne and Charles Eaton of Spearman, Donna and Jack Vanderburg of Dalhart and Rhonda and Jeff Burress of Shawnee, OK; 15 grandchildren; 17 great-grandchildren; and 3 great-great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Newton and Leona Nelson and a brother, Raymond Nelson.

The family requests memorials be to the First Baptist Church Elevator Fund, Kid's Korner Daycare, Herrington Cancer Center or the Stationmaster's House Museum.

ROBERT CRAWFORD

ROCKDALE - Robert "Bob" Crawford, 73, died Tuesday, August 6, 2002.

Memorial services were at 6 p.m. Monday, August 26, 2002 in First Christian Church in Gruver with the Rev. Gary Gumfory, of the church, officiating. Arrangements were by Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home.

Mr. Crawford was born September 18, 1928, in Spearman. He married Ruth Jones on March 20, 1949, in Shamrock.

Survivors include his wife, Ruth Crawford of Rockdale; a son, Jay Crawford and wife Jayne of Austin; two daughters, Sue Prince and husband Gary of Arlington and Linda Culberson and husband Jim of Yazoo City, Miss.; and two brothers, Mark Crawford of Dumas and Paul Crawford of Amarillo; and one grandson, Mickey Crawford of Austin. He was preceded in death by his parents and a sister, Elsie DeCocq.

SUSIE J. HAND

SPEARMAN - Susie J. Hand, 76, died Tuesday, August 20, 2002, in Amarillo.

Services were at 2 p.m. Friday, August 23, 2002 in First Baptist Church with the Rev. Patrick Six officiating. Burial was in Hansford Cemetery by Boxwell Brothers Funeral Home.

Mrs. Hand was born on April 26, 1926 in Pawnee, OK. She had lived in the area since 1965, moving from Liberal, Kansas.

She married L.F. Hand on May 16, 1947, in Pampa.

She was the manager of Hansford County Credit Bureau, retiring in 1987. She served as president of the Texas Credit Bureau Association.

She was a member of Eastern Star, Rebekah Lodge and was the first president of the women's division of Spearman Chamber of Commerce.

She was a member of First Baptist Church of Spearman.

Survivors include her husband; a son, Bill Hand and wife, Laura, of Spearman; two daughters, Barbara Bengston and husband, Jim, of Marble Falls and Linda Wilkerson and husband, Anthony, of Spearman; a brother, Marvin Leshner of Sweeney; nine grandchildren; and eleven great-grandchildren.

The family suggests memorials be to Hansford Hospice, 707 S. Roland St., Spearman, TX 79081; or BSA Hospice, 200 N.W. Seventh Ave., Amarillo, TX 79107.

OLLIE JARVIS

SPEARMAN - Ollie Jarvis, 95, died Wednesday, August 21, 2002.

Graveside services were at 2 p.m. Saturday, August 24, 2002 in Lieb Cemetery near Pringle, TX with the Rev. Gary Gumfory and Leonard Harper officiating. Arrangements were by Boxwell Brothers Funeral Home.

Mrs. Jarvis was born August 21, 1907, in a dugout six miles northeast of Gruver. Her parents, Charles C. and Anne Amy Beck, were pioneers in settling Hansford County. She graduated from Spearman High School in 1926.

She attended West Texas A&M University, then known as West Texas Normal University. After a year she began to teach in a country school near her home. When Gruver school was started, she was the first teacher hired.

She taught school and attended college in the summer until 1933. Then she returned to West Texas and graduated in 1934. She then taught at Farwell and Roswell, N.M., until she married Billy Jarvis on April 6, 1940.

When her husband was called to active duty in the spring of 1941, she followed him to Washington, D.C., and Albuquerque, N.M. When he was shipped to the Philippines in December 1941, she returned to the Beck Homestead north of Gruver.

World War II broke out and her husband's ship was reported sunk. In mid-December, he called saying he was in San Francisco and then he was assigned to Bakersfield, Calif. She traveled to Bakersfield in time for Christmas.

She traveled to various bases with her husband until his unit was shipped to the Pacific in the late summer of 1942. When he went overseas she returned to the Beck Homestead.

In January 1943, a son Billy Britt, was born. Her husband returned to the United States in 1944 and was discharged. They returned to live near Pringle in Hutchinson County. A son, Jon Matheny, was born in 1945. Another son, Robert Scott, was born in 1947 but only survived a few days.

Ollie was active in her family and community. She was an active member of Eastern Star, a Sunday school teacher, church leader, Cub Scout den mother, school supporter, PTA member and officer, a basketball and football fan and a homemaker.

She lived in the Pringle-Morse community until 1999, when she moved to Hansford Manor in Spearman.

Survivors include two sons, Billy Britt Jarvis of Spearman and Jon Matheny Jarvis of Stinnett; five grandchildren, William Britt Jarvis, Anne Marie Pearson, Bonnie Lea Woollam, Scott Matthew Jarvis and Shana Diane Jarvis; and six great-grandchildren, Jessica Lynn Jarvis, Matthew William Jarvis, Richard Nolan Jarvis, Luke Benjamin Woollam, Daniel Britt Jarvis and Charles Mark Pearson.

The family suggests memorials be to Lieb Cemetery, 11547 County Road 13, Stinnett, TX 79083; or Cal Farley's Boys Ranch, P.O. Box 1890, Amarillo, TX 79174; or to a favorite charity.

RAY HOUSTON RALSTON

GRUVER - Ray Houston Ralston, 74, died Sunday, August 18, 2002.

Services were at 10 a.m. Wednesday, August 21, 2002, in First Christian Church with the Rev. Gary Gumfory officiating. Burial was in Gruver Cemetery by Boxwell Brothers Funeral Home of Spearman.

Mr. Ralston was born on November 22, 1927 in Hansford County. He was a farmer and rancher. He was a member of First Assembly of God Church of Spearman.

He was preceded in death by a daughter, Diana Lynn Ralston in 1973; four brothers, Robert Henry Ralston Jr., Jesse Frederick Ralston, Orle Albert Ralston and Cecil Earl Ralston; and his parents, Robert Henry Ralston and Lillian Holleman Ralston.

Survivors include his wife, Coreata; a sister, Jean Cox of Fort Worth; a sister-in-law, Margaret Ralston; three brothers-in-law, John Sipes, Jack Sipes and Ronnie Sipes; six nephews, Dan Ralston, Bobby Cox, Mike Ralston, Seth Ralston, Jeremy Sipes and Chris Sipes; and two nieces, Shelley Cox and Lillian Ralston Cooksey.

The family suggests memorials be to Hansford Hospice, 707 S. Roland St., Spearman, TX 79081.

LUCILLE ATCHLEY STILES

CLINTON, OK - Lucille Atchley Stiles, 96, passed away Saturday, August 24, 2002 in Alamogordo, New Mexico.

Funeral services were held at 10 a.m. on Wednesday, August 28, 2002 in the Chapel of the First Baptist Church in Clinton with Doug Lewis officiating. Burial was conducted in Clinton Cemetery under the direction of the Stanley-Lee Funeral Home.

Lucille grew up in Elgin, Okla., and graduated from high school there in 1924. She moved to Anadarko and worked for Southwest Bell Telephone. In 1927 she married Fay Stiles and they made their home in Oklahoma City before moving to Clinton in 1934. Lucille worked for Brasels Cleaners for a time and then worked as a cook at Southwest School and Clinton Jr. High, retiring in 1978. She was a member of the First Baptist Church and Rebekah Lodge #257. She enjoyed sewing in her spare time.

She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband of 65 years, three brothers and two sisters.

Survivors include two daughters, Jeannette Irby of Alamogordo, NM and Wanda Widener and her husband Ted of Spearman; a sister, Elizabeth Large of Lawton, OK; two brothers, Robert Atchley and wife Marion of Columbus, Ohio and Byron Atchley of Chichasa, OK; five grandchildren, Denise Baker and her husband Monte of Roswell, NM, Rene Teller and her husband Steve and Cheree Dennett and her husband Jim, all of Alamogordo, NM, Larry Widener and his wife D'Anda of Spearman and Steve Widener of Amarillo; eight great-grandchildren, Dusty Baker and his wife Carolyn and Matt Baker, all of Roswell, NM, Brian and Daniel Teller and Chelsea Dennett, all of Alamogordo, Leslie McLaughlin and her husband Brian and Brett Widener, all of Spearman; one great-great-grandson, Brice McLaughlin of Spearman; and very special friends Joy Ann and Calvin Driscoll of Clinton, OK.

Memorials may be made in Lucille's honor to the Clinton Baptist Children's Home.



SHAUN PILLOW

SPEARMAN - Shaun Pillow, 15, died Monday, August 26, 2002.

Cremation was by Boxwell Brothers Funeral Home of Spearman. Memorial services will be held Thursday, August 29, 2002 at 3:30 p.m. in the Spearman High School auditorium with the Rev. Patrick Six, Rev. Ken Cole and Rev. Dennis Alger officiating.

Shaun was born on September 24, 1986 in Amarillo. He had lived in Spearman for three years, moving from Amarillo.

Shaun was a sophomore at Spearman High School, and excelled at everything. He placed 2nd at the Nationals 2001 Gymnastic Meet, Level 9.

He is survived by his father, James Pinkerton of Spearman and his father, Elbert Pillow of Kansas; three brothers, Ashlee Pillow, Jimmy Pinkerton and Mark Dean Pinkerton, all of Spearman; grandparents Esther Duplechin, Ron Smith, Elbert Pillow and Janet Pillow, all of Amarillo, Sharon and Bill Pinkerton of Wyoming and Ann Pinkerton; aunts and uncles Michael and Tanna Walden of Amarillo, Mark and Deanna Pinkerton of Canyon and Will and Audrey Pinkerton; cousins David, Codie, Leah, Sydney, Faith, Elaine and Alex.

He was preceded in death by his mother, Tina Pinkerton, on August 26, 2002.

The family requests memorials be to the Shaun Pillow Gymnastics Scholarship Fund, % First State Bank, PO Box 247, Spearman, TX 79081.

TINA PINKERTON

SPEARMAN - Tina Pinkerton, 33, died on Monday, August 26, 2002.

Cremation was by Boxwell Brothers Funeral Home of Spearman. Memorial services will be held Thursday, August 29, 2002 at 3:30 p.m. in the Spearman High School auditorium with the Rev. Patrick Six, Rev. Ken Cole and Rev. Dennis Alger officiating.

Tina was born on April 3, 1969 in Honolulu, Hawaii. She had lived in Spearman for three years, moving from Amarillo.

She was married to Dr. James Pinkerton of Spearman. She was a homemaker.

Survivors include her husband, James Pinkerton, of Spearman; children Ashlee Pillow, Jimmy and Mark Pinkerton; all of Spearman; parents Ron and Esther Smith of Amarillo; grandmother Helen Smith of Amarillo; a sister and brother-in-law, Tanna and Michael Walden of Amarillo; nieces and nephews David, Codie, Leah, Sydney and Faith.

She was preceded in death by her son, Shaun, on August 26, 2002.

The family requests memorials be to the Shaun Pillow Gymnastics Scholarship Fund, % First State Bank, PO Box 247, Spearman, TX 79081.

Happy Birthday!

Editor's Note: This Happy Birthday list is run as a public service by the Hansford County Reporter-Statesman. We apologize if any names are misspelled. If you know of a name that needs to be changed, added or deleted, please call 659-3434. Thank you, Catherine

August 28

Birthday - KiKi Carthel, Amy Gillispie, Mika McLain, Linda Nunez, Kory Sheppard, Mike Pearson, Joe Bravo, Keith Burgess, Gene Cudd, Andy Jones, Mabry Sutterfield, Penny Sumner

August 29

Birthday - Rodney Clawson, Ginny Grottegut, Monica Ward, Mark Crooks, Bill Strawn, Richeardo Espinosa, Dusty Vinson, Linda Lou Lewis, Tony Cazares, Holly Brack, Katie Bynum

Anniversary

- Mr. & Mrs. Robert Blevins

August 30

Birthday - Joshua Blount, Roy Dale Karr, Van Lewis, Jeff Nicholson, Chelly Rigdon, Christa Urban

Anniversary

- Mr. & Mrs. Charles Phillips

August 31

Birthday - Jill Hoel, Roger Dean Close, Estella Arjona, Mildred Lewis, Ronnie Beck, Chad Wilkerson, Justin Eslick, Lonnie Shields, Danny Herrington, Bob Boxwell, Dale Jones, Clay Neff, Elizabeth Holton

Anniversary

- Mr. & Mrs. Brian Pressley, Mr. & Mrs. Kent Guthrie

September 1

Birthday - Marie Bosticki, Sahala (McCloy) Galliard, Kathy (Nelson) Dumbold, Mrs. Don Allen, Eugene Yarbrough, Irma Arjona, Pete Vera Jr., Jessica Williams, Rita Lindley, Erin Wafford, Misty Bynum, Hugo Villa, Richard

Shad, Jessica Shad, Laura Bridges, Jace Lang, Ann Pipkin, Dane Harbour, Sandra Blankenship

Anniversary - Mr. & Mrs. Johnny Lee, Mr. & Mrs. Daniel Boyd

September 2

Birthday - James Stedje, Kelly Sue Jones, Melyn Johnson, Archie Smith, Felipe Lomelli, Carlos Mendoza Jr., Larry Gallimore

Anniversary - Mr. & Mrs. Ron Antalek, Mr. & Mrs. Everett Vanderberg, Mr. & Mrs. Chris Johnson

September 3

Birthday - Josh Mayhew, Isabel Martinez, Ruth Lackey, Kory Brown, Sheryl Meek, Sandy Russell, Janet Sandavol, Jessie Moore, Brandon Baker, Michelle Evens, Worley Smith, Elena Vargas, Jason Quillin, Coy Herrington

Anniversary - Mr. & Mrs. John Booth, George & Virginia Young

September 4

Birthday - Val Winger, Peggy Frick, Jimmy Haden, Kathy Bowen, Marty Karr, Laci Murray, Darlene Pierce, Rodney Pointer, Tina Cator, Laighton Torres, Alex Boyd, Halee Beasley, Kristi Vasquez, Jarry Francis

Anniversary - Mr. & Mrs. Ron Fox, Don & Wanda Reed

September 5

Birthday - Kilee Ryan, Cathy Potts, Howard Nash, Pat Minter, Dawn Brown, Mavis Floyd, David West, Mark Garcia, Kenneth Evans, Betty Thomas, Mary Alice Gibner, Andy Riley, Sonya Tindell, Willie Wallis, Joyce Sharp, Lorenzo Sauz, Connor Odegaard, Daniel Swink

Anniversary - Mr. & Mrs. Chuck Ball, Mr. & Mrs. Bobby Hicks

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HANSFORD HAPPENINGS

Panhandle Crisis Center Outreach Office

Panhandle Crisis Center (PCC) now has an Outreach Office in the Pittman-Shieldknight Building, 511 SW 11th Avenue, Suite 105, in Spearman. An Outreach Caseworker is scheduled to be at that location each Wednesday and Thursday, and Children's Advocate, Marsha Neely, will continue to be in Spearman each weekday. In case of emergencies, please continue to call the hotline, 1-800-753-5308. To schedule an appointment with a worker in Hansford County, please call 659-3391 to leave a message, or call the hotline number above. Panhandle Crisis Center serves victims of domestic violence and sexual assault. Please call for more information regarding PCC's services.

Pfizer Is Sharing

Pfizer is now offering a Share Card that enables Medicare enrollees with low incomes and no prescription drug coverage to buy 30-day prescriptions of Pfizer medicines for \$15 each. There is no charge to enroll in the program. To qualify, people must meet three requirements: 1) Currently be enrolled in Medicare, 2) Have no prescription drug coverage plan, 3) Have gross income less than \$18,000 for an individual or \$24,000 for a couple. For more information on how to enroll, contact Kathy Bryant at 659-3030.

Gruver First Christian Church Cookbooks

The cookbooks being sold by the First Christian Church in Gruver have all been sold. We are taking special orders now for the people that wanted to purchase some for Christmas gifts. Because the reorder price more than doubled on us, the cost for the books will be \$12.00 unless we can order more than the minimum of 100. Orders may be turned in to Alice Pedy, Pat Morley, Pat Bratton, Sandra Gumfory, Margaret Ralston or any other church member.

Check Out Your Closets!

The Spearman band department is looking for instruments that have been checked out to students over the past 10 years. With the amount of director turnover, it was hard to keep up with check-outs and some instruments were not returned. If your child was in band, check under the beds and in the back of the closet for a lost instrument. Maybe you have an instrument they have forgotten about. If you do, please return it to the office at the high school or junior high. Thanks, and good hunting!

National Multiple Sclerosis Society Announces MS Walk

The National Multiple Sclerosis Society, Panhandle Division is pleased to announce this year's Moore County MS Walk. The Panhandle Division serves some 640 MS families in the Texas and Oklahoma panhandles and the four eastern counties of New Mexico. The event will be held on Saturday, September 28, 2002, with registration beginning at 8:30 a.m. and the Walk getting underway at 10 a.m. The first Moore County MS Walk was held last year, raising in excess of \$18,000. The Walk concludes with a great hamburger cookout as a small token of thanks to all the walkers and volunteers. Ralph Bynum, the MS Walk Coordinator, extends a cordial invitation to everyone in Hansford County to join Dumas, Sunray, Cactus/Etter, Stratford and Dalhart walkers in this year's fundraising effort. Details for forming a Walk Team and other volunteer activities can be obtained by contacting Bynum in Dumas at 935-4208, Kevin Bynum at 659-2162, or the Amarillo office of the National Multiple Sclerosis Society at 468-7500. Anyone who is interested in participating is urged to call Kevin Bynum at 659-2162 for more information.

Area Agency on Aging Seeks Volunteers

The Nursing Home Ombudsman program of the Area Agency on Aging of the Panhandle is actively seeking individuals to serve as advocates for residents of area nursing homes. Volunteer opportunities are available throughout the Panhandle. Ombudsmen promote resident rights, quality of life and quality of care by identifying and resolving complaints by or on behalf of residents. To learn more about this rewarding volunteer opportunity, please contact Jeff Price or Tanya Mock of the Area Agency on Aging of the Panhandle at (800) 642-6008.

Pringle-Morse CISD Pre-Kindergarten Program

The Pringle-Morse CISD will be providing a Pre-Kindergarten program for all students who will be four years old by September 1, 2002. The program is free to all children living in the district who meet the age criteria. The program serves all children, regardless of economic status or language ability. In addition, any four-year-old, non-district student may apply for transfer and upon approval, enter the pre-kindergarten program free of charge. Pringle-Morse also accepts transfer students in kindergarten-8th grade. Upon meeting the criteria and being approved, students may attend Pringle-Morse school tuition free. To enroll, or for additional information, call (806) 733-2507.

Bigs in School Orientation Session

An orientation session for those interested in learning more about the Bigs in Schools program will be held August 29th at 6:30 p.m. in the First State Bank Hospitality Room. Bigs in Schools is the school based mentoring program of Big Brothers Big Sisters. Volunteers are needed to spend 40 minutes once a week with a child at Spearman Elementary. Call Cindy Blackman at 659-3233 or Kimberley Lopez, BBBS case worker at 1-877-716-3425 for more information.

Crisis Center Seeking Donations of School Supplies

Once again this year, Panhandle Crisis Center (PCC) would like to ask for help from the local community. Some special children in this area need help with school supplies. Although PCC does not anticipate needing as many supplies this year, there are still several who are in need. In the past, your generosity has made it possible for PCC's young clients to be able to start the school year on a happy note. Please keep in mind that backpacks are always a special need for these children. This year, drop boxes for the school supplies are located at ALCO and Dollar General in Spearman. The supplies may also be dropped off at PCC's new Outreach Office located in the Pittman-Shieldknight Building at 511 SW 11th, Suite 105, in Spearman.

Commissioners' Court Warns About Penalties For Destruction/Theft of Signs

Due to numerous signs being taken or destroyed in the County, the Hansford County Commissioners' Court would like to make it's citizens aware of the penalty for this action. This is a Class B Offense, punishable with a fine of up to \$2,000 and a possible jail term of up to 180 days.

Pringle School & Community Reunion

A Pringle School and Community Reunion will be held August 31, 2002 at the Morse Community Building. Vistation will begin at 4 p.m., followed by a meal at 5:30 p.m., with more visiting and remembering after the meal. For more information, contact Steve Shields at (806) 878-2829.

"Digging for Your Roots - Genealogy Seminar"

A "Digging for Your Roots - Genealogy Seminar" will be held October 25-26 in Guymon. The mail classes will meet in the Pioneer Showcase at 502 N. Main with one internet class being held at the Guymon Public Library. Classes are being taught by three employees of the Oklahoma Historical Society and several local people. Registration fee for the seminar is \$20 and is due by October 17th. For more information, call Melyn Johnson at 580-338-5838 or e-mail at MelynJ@ptsj.net. The seminar is sponsored by the High Plains Chapter, DAR; Guymon Public Library; and Guymon Convention and Tourism.

Musical of Hope in Memory and Honor of 911 Tragedies

Presented by the Paramount Terrace Christian Church Worship Choir, *Lift Up Your Eyes*, is offered as a memorial honoring those who suffered loss during the tragic events of September 11, 2001. Throughout the day on Sunday, September 8th, paramount Terrace Christian Church worship services will be transformed into memorial worship services honoring all who serve or have served in the fire department, law enforcement, emergency services and the military. The evening musical completes a day of memorial and honor by offering the message of hope found by lifting our eyes up to the Lord. *Lift Up Your Eyes* will be presented at 5 p.m. in the Worship Center at Paramount Terrace Christian Church, 4000 Mays (2 blocks south of 34th and 1 block east of Western). Admission is free and children and Sunday School classes for children are provided. For further information, call the Music Department at (806) 353-6615.

Spearman Blood Drive

There will be a Spearman Blood Drive on Monday, September 9, 2002 from 3-7 p.m. at the O'Loughlin Center, 502 S. Brandt in Spearman. You may call 1-800-658-6178 to schedule an appointment. (Remember to eat regular meals and drink plenty of water prior to donating blood.) The use of blood is increasing while donations are decreasing. Please share the gift of life - donate blood.



Engagement Announcement

Kay and Joe Robinson of Gruver announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Tracy Brogden, to Jason May. May is the son of Rebecca and Marlos May of Gruver. The couple plan to be wed September 14, 2002 at First Baptist Church in Gruver. A reception will follow in the church's activity building. The bride and groom are both graduates of Gruver High School. Tracy works for Dr. McCausland in Amarillo and Jason works for Sears in Amarillo. The couple will reside in Canyon following their wedding.

Thank You!

The family of Fern Fulkerson wishes to thank you for the many expressions of love, kindness and sympathy, extended to us with the passing of our loved one. (There is a poem that express how we feel. I have yet to find it, but the essence of it is like this.)

If you had us in your prayers, If you gave us a hug, If you brought food, If you sent flowers or a plant, If you sent a card, If you made a memorial, If you sang a song, If you had us in your thoughts, If you smiled at someone, If you shed a tear, If you smelled the flowers, If you thanked God for a beautiful sunrise or sunset - You Were There! Woodrow Fulkerson; Sue & Jim Carpenter & Family; Bobbie & Earl Novak & Family

Thank You!

Thanks to everybody who has done so many nice things for Peggy and me since I had back surgery. The prayers, food, flowers, plants, calls, cards and visits have been wonderful. It is great to live in such a caring community. Carl Archer

Thank You!

The family of Susie J. Hand would like to express their appreciation for the many acts of kindness shown with food, flowers, telephone calls, cards, visits, thoughts and prayers. We would also like to extend a special "thank you" to Dr. Garnett, Hansford Hospital staff, Hansford EMS, Boxwell Brothers, Rev. Patrick Six and the First Baptist Church for their sincere concern and support.

Lewis F. Hand; Bill and Laura Hand & Family; Jim and Barbara Bengston & Family; Anthony and Linda Wilkerson & Family

Thank You!

We just wanted to thank you for all the many acts of kindness that have been extended our way prior to, during and since our move to Spearman. The Spearman community could not have been more supportive to us through our move, Kenny's illness, and in getting settled into my new job. We just want you to know how welcome you have made us feel and how much you are appreciated! Sincerely, Susan & Kenny Kelly

Fall Community Education Schedule

The Community Resource Program is offering the following classes. To register for these class, or for more information about how Community Education can serve you, contact Cindy Blackman at 659-3233.

E-Mail Class

Learn how to get incoming and outgoing copies of e-mail and how to store them. How do you build an address book, manage your copies and back-up your e-mail? Find out here. Instructor - Lisa Short; Dates: Sept. 10, 17, 24 & Oct. 1; 6-8 p.m.; Cost - \$45

Web Page Development

Learn how to create your home page. You will learn how to develop basic home page layout design, set up your home page, etc. There will be several practice lessons that you will be able to take with you on a disk after you complete the class. Great for business owners or individuals! Instructor - Mandy Derington; Dates: Sept. 12, 19, 26 & Oct. 3; 6-8 p.m.; Cost - \$50

Intro to Quick Books

Learn how Quick Books makes it easy to set up a chart of accounts, reconcile your checking account and general reports. (Book cost not included) Instructor - Mandy Derington; Dates: Oct. 24, 31 & Nov. 7, 14; 6-8 p.m.; Cost - \$50

Microsoft World Level II

Continue to perfect your skills creating tables and columns. Learn how to mail merge, develop outlines, and multi-section documents. Some desktop publishing covered. Instructor - Lisa Short; Dates: Oct. 28, Nov 4, 11 & 18; 6-8 p.m.; Cost - \$50

Sponging & Stenciling

Want to change the look of your walls, but money is a problem? Let Gina show you some tricks of the trade. Students will learn sponging to blend colors and how to shade stencils. Practice on poster board and go home ready to attack their walls. Supply list will be provided before class. Instructor - Gina Gillispie; Date: Oct. 26; 10 a.m.-1 p.m.; Cost - \$20

Out At The Lake

by Dorothy Hudson



Kenneth Scoggins of Perryton is pictured above with a Walleye that weighed just under ten-pounds. He caught it on Friday, August 23, while Crappie fishing.



Charlie Laxton is pictured above with four Blue Cats weighing 21-pounds, 18-pounds and two weighing 12-pounds.

Lake Depth--August 26, 2002--

32.40 feet
Jim reports that the late afternoon rain and hail Friday, August 23, put 1.31 in the office gauge. The hail was nickel-size and fell for 10 or 15 minutes.

The heavy shower didn't cover enough of the watershed for the creeks to run, but it did wash some of the Lake roads.

Lake Palo Duro got good publicity in the Amarillo Sunday Globe-News in Karen Taylor's Opinion.

Max Taylor's story of catching two four-pound blue cats on one shad on one pole also made the column.

The local fishermen have not been catching lately.

Charley Laxton, who had gone five or six weeks without catching much, came up with the pictured catch of a 21-pound, a 18-pound, and 2 12-pound catfish caught in one session.

The other picture is of Kenneth Scoggins of Perryton, one of the water wagon fishermen, who was fishing for crappie and caught the walleye that weighed just under 10-pounds on Jim's non-certified scales. Four walleyes between 9 and 10-pounds have been caught at the Lake, but the Parks and Wildlife people in their testing catches weighed one in at 11.8-pounds.

Jim is to attend a Canadian River

Compact Meeting at Santa Fe this week. This is a three state meeting, and it is also the time that Oklahoma complains about our Lake taking their water.

Cleon Roberts' book *Charley Newell Shot!* is back from the printers now and is on sale at Hastings in Amarillo. Soon there will be a signing for Mr. Roberts in Spearman. Books will be available at that time. I am excited about this book, because so much of the early day history of the Palo Duro has been uncovered. The Rifle Pits figure prominently as a location. The section on the Panhandle covers ten years -- 1873 to 1883.

Bridal Registry

Michelle Schick & Wayne McCubbin - Sept. 24

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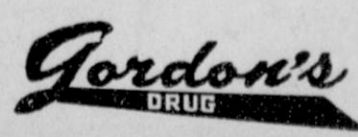
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Among The Neighbors

by Helen Fisher

John and Virginia Trindle enjoyed dinner guests Tuesday evening at their rural home, Mr. and Mrs. Phil Sell, longtime friends of Farnsworth, and her mother, Mrs. Virginia Becker of Dover, Arkansas.

Another pleasurable guest of the Trindles was their grandson, Nathan Steger. He has recently ended his enlistment in the army and is preparing to enroll at Texas Christian University in Ft. Worth, where he plans to major in engineering and communications.

Little can be added to the obituary of Ollie Jarvis, 95, who passed away on Wednesday. Interment was in Lieb Cemetery.

Her biography is like a page out of history, and she was probably the last of the old natives of Hansford County. Her parents, the Charley Becks, were an active part of early day activities and an integral part of the development of the county. Mrs. Jarvis was the last of the original Beck family.

Spearman welcomes a new city patrolman, Ed Mayfield, who recently graduated from the Levelland Police Academy. He is a local resident and attended school here. He is the son of Fred and Janice Mayfield.

Ed and his wife, Brooke, have four children, Colton, Sky, Sayles and Harley. The oldest are in school, and Brooke is a stay-at-home mother.

Last Thursday's edition of Anarillo Globe-News carried a front page article and picture concerning the officials and governing boards of the Catholic Diocese of the area. Spearman folk noted that Judge Jim Brown was one of them. The Cardinal from Honduras was presiding. The Diocese extends from Lubbock to the Oklahoma line. Jim was selected from all the other delegates to be chaplain to the Cardinal during his stay.

Rev. Ken and Roberta Cole are back with the congregation of the First United Methodist Church after a two-week vacation. It was a pleasant, restful time spent mostly visiting family members.

They drove to Granville, TX, where her brother lives, then all attended her family reunion the next day at Farmersville. Her aunt from Gentry, Arkansas, was the oldest attending.

Next was Palestine, where Ken's brother lives. All enjoyed time at Lake Livingston.

For a no-relative time, they drove to Branson for three nights, including the weekend. At Springdale,

Arkansas they enjoyed his brother and family, and then his step-sister. The aunt at Gentry was their last stop.

What would have been a nerve-racking vacation was joyful and fun for Shirley and Gary Kimbrough when they had their three grandchildren whose parents were on vacation. Danielle and Colton Close are from Amarillo and Kendall Kimbrough is from Friona.

They considered it fun to pick black-eyed peas and cracking (shelling) them. Tomatoes and peas are all that could be salvaged from the garden due to the drought.

The children also enjoyed going to the lake.

Jackie and Bob Pearson have returned from an interesting trip, both business and vacation.

Jackie and Ginger Pittman had flown to San Diego and taken care of some business matters for several days. Bob Pearson and Bill Pittman flew out to join them. They had an interesting and busy several days. The historical Hotel Del Coronado made their lodging fascinating for three days. In addition, they found many places of interest.

Jackie and Bob then flew to Seattle to visit her aunt, Mary McGubbin. She has had a most interesting life as her husband.

While the Pearsons were there, Jackie's two sisters from Bastrop, Texas arrived. They, too, had an interesting report as they had just walked from the base of Mount Ranier, a distance of 60 miles. They were participating in the national walk to benefit the knowledge and funds for breast cancer. They walk 20 miles each day, 3000 other people are walking in the U.S. with more than 5000 interested in the promotion.

Jackie and Bob drove to the base of Mt. Ranier and through nearby countryside, noting the beauty and terrain as being different from these prairies.

Ginger and Bill stayed a few more days in California before returning.

Sympathy is extended to L.F. and the family of Susie Hand, a much loved friend of so many. Susie, 76, was a well-known and active member in the community.

She was born in Ponca County, Oklahoma. She and her husband, L.F., came here in 1965, as he was associated with Northern Natural.

Susie was the first manager of the Credit Bureau here and all through the years served well in many

community and church responsibilities.

Babe Pendergraft enjoyed guests twice recently when friends Mr. and Mrs. Mike Moore spent a few days with her. They live in Denver City and were taking her daughter, Lynzey, to enroll in Arizona State College.

While they were here, Mrs. Moore's mother, Mrs. Alene Self of Oklahoma City, met them and accompanied them to Phoenix, Arizona.

The Moore's and Mrs. Self returned to Babe's for another visit on their way back home.

Word came early Monday morning of the passing of an old friend, Maxine Bennett Banister. Maxine graduated from Spearman with the class of 1929. Soon after her marriage to "Bus" Banister, they farmed northeast of Spearman and raised two sons and two foster sons there.

Bus and sons P.K. and R.C. preceded her in death, as did her parents, sister and brothers, who all lived in Spearman at times.

She is survived by her two foster sons, Chad Boxford of Spearman and Don Boxford of Wenatchee, WA and some grandchildren and nieces.

Maxine was well-known in the county due to her employment at McLain Realty, P.A. Lyon Insurance and Sheriff and Tax Collector's offices.

Through all her tragic losses she was always cheerful and humorous to others.

A single vehicle accident claimed the life of an oilfield trucker from Pampa on Monday. The accident occurred on FM 1262 near the Oslo community.

Weather for the week of August 19th through 7 a.m. on the 26th: the high was on both the 22nd and 23rd at 99; the low was on both the 21st and 24th at 67; moisture was .16 on the 22nd (but there was some thunder two other days!).

The Gruver Grapevine

by Harletta Carthel

City Commission Meets

The resignation of Gruver Chief of Police James N. Jordan was among the actions of the Gruver City Commission meeting in regular session Wednesday, August 14, 2002.

Present for the meeting were Mayor Mark Irwin, City Manager Linda Weller, Commissioner Chad Logsdon, Commissioner Johnnie Williams, Director of Public Works Robert Blount, and City Secretary Tencha Cazares.

Also present were Chad Brazell with Rural Waste Management and J.J. King and Cody Seaton with West Texas Gas, and citizen T.J. Been.

Other action including the paying of bills for the month, renewing the contract for fire protection in Hansford County between the city and the county, and approving a letter of engagement with Brown, Graham, and Company for the 2002-2003 FY annual audits.

The commission also passed Resolution 03-02 concerning the procedure for electing directors to the Hansford County Appraisal District and entering a gas contract with West Texas Gas for \$3.62 for the purchase of natural gas.

Discussion was held with Chad Brazell representing Rural Waste Management on rural trash pick-up, with no action being taken.

A further discussion of a water lead with T.J. Been also resulted in no action being taken.

Get Well Wishes

Nick Holt is currently in IHS in Amarillo following his recent heart bypass and gall bladder surgeries.

Margaret Odom was progressing well enough to be airlifted last week to IHS in Amarillo where she continues to recover from an auto accident in South Fork in which both her legs were broken.

Rita Cluck is recuperating in Hansford Manor following her recent knee surgery.

Teague Winger is currently on

crutches following her recent arthroscopic knee surgery for an injury sustained in a fall.

Former resident Tim Smith recently underwent triple bypass surgery.

Holly Key has returned home and is progressing well.

Gaylord Cook was taken to Amarillo last week. After a heart cath, it was determined that the problem was not with the heart and further testing was scheduled.

Jarvis Receives Masters Degree
Scott Jarvis, a 1996 graduate of Gruver High School, received his Masters Degree in Leadership Education in graduation exercises held Saturday, August 17.

The son of Jon and Johnny Jarvis Scott is currently employed by the Texas A&M.

Sympathy Extended

The condolence of the community are expressed to the families of Ray Ralston and Ollie Jarvis.

Ray was a lifetime resident of Hansford County and a farmer.

Ollie Jarvis, 95. Gruver's first school teacher, was a strong promoter of education in Hansford County. Ollie was laid to rest Saturday in Lieb Cemetery only a short distance from her home of many years.

Schools To Observe Holiday
Gruver schools will be closed Monday, September 2, in observation of the Labor Day Holiday. School will resume at the usual time Tuesday, September 3.

FCCLA/FFA To Host Cookout
Members of the FCCLA and FFA will host a cookout for members Tuesday, September 3, at 6:30 p.m. in the city park.

Weather Wise

The City of Gruver reported only scant rainfall last week with .06 recorded on August 20 and .04 on the 21st.

The high last week was 98

degrees on August 24.

Registration Set for Adult ESL Classes

The Adult ESL Classes for the fall semester will have an open registration Tuesday, September 3, 2002, at the Gruver junior high School. Classes will meet from 7-9:30 p.m. every Tuesday. The classes are free.

School Board Meets

The Gruver ISD Board of Trustees filled a vacancy within their group and approved a superintendent search agency at their regular August 13th meeting at 6:05 p.m.

Members present were Terry Sherrill, Paul Stavlo, Davin Winger, Benny Wilson and Mike Yanke. Not present was Jody Irwin.

Visitors received were Randy Reid, Bert Grimes, Matt Branstine, and Joel Lynch.

Buddy Lowe, Jr. a former member of the Gruver ISD board, was selected to fill the vacancy of David Bergin who recently resigned.

The board also approved the proposal from the Texas Association of School Boards (TASB) for a superintendent search by a 6-0 vote with new member Buddy Lowe, Jr. voting.

In other action approved by the same 6-0 vote, the board voted to adopt the 2002-2003 budget, establish the tax rate at \$1.50 per \$100.00 value, set cafeteria prices for the year, and approved both the Student Code of Conduct and the campus handbook.

The board also approved by a 6-0 vote assessment and collection with Hansford Appraisal District.

Discussion items included the backflow valve on the football field sprinkler system, the End of Course results, the TEA accountability results, the superintendent search, and the financial report of revenue and expenditures and the budget amendments.

The board was also informed that the business manager has completed the requirements to be a certified CPA and will, as agreed, move one step on the salary schedule.

The meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

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May, Vincent Wed



Mrs. Stephen Vincent

Janie Michelle May of Gruver and Stephen Pierce Vincent of Hartley were married Saturday, July 27, 2002 at 7:30 p.m. at the First Baptist Church in Gruver. Bro. Scott Curry officiated the ceremony.

The bride is the daughter of Rebecca and Marlos May of Gruver. Grandparents of the bride are Mattie Hodges of Olton and Lois May of Lubbock, both of whom attended the wedding, the late Johnny Hodges and the late Archie May. Great-grandparents of the bride are Athol Light of Olton and the late Ruby Light.

The groom is the son of Becky and David Vincent of Hartley. Grandparents of the groom are Nona Goodman of Hartley, LaDean and Chuck Jameson of Checotah, Okla., both of whom attended the wedding, the late Dennis Schulz, and the late Calvin Vincent. Great-grandparents of the groom are Bessie Vincent of Dalhart and Letha Cosper of Checotah, Okla.

Maid of honor was Julie May, sis-

ter of the bride. Bridal attendants were Lori Francis, cousin of the bride; Cayla Simon, friend of the bride; and Krystle Haggard, friend of the bride. The attendants wore a lavender floor-length princess-style dress made by the bride's mother, and carried hand-tied bouquets of spring mix-colored flowers.

Best man was Jason May, friend of the groom and brother of the bride. The groom's attendants were Josh Vincent, brother of the groom; Hank Vincent, brother of the groom; and Rickie Kubiak, cousin of the groom.

Flower girls were Chloe Hodges, cousin of the bride; and Hannah Vincent, sister of the groom. They wore a lavender and white floor-length dress made by the bride's mother, and carried a kissing ball of spring mix flowers. Ring bearer was Casin Hodges, cousin of the bride. Ushers were Derrick Elliott, Lance Field and Brooks Thompson, all friends of the groom.

Candlelighters were Jana Francis, cousin of the bride; and Tiffany Vincent, friend of the bride and cousin of the groom. Guests were registered by Heather Hodges, cousin of the bride.

Music selections were sung by Julie May, "Father We Commit to You;" Mark and Jennie Hodges sang "A Parent's Prayer" and "Only God Could Love You More." A special song was sung by Stephen Vincent, "I Will Love You Forever," which was written by the groom's mother. Prelude and wedding arrangements were played by Jennie Hodges, aunt of the bride.

The bride was escorted by her father and wore a cinderella-style floor-length formal gown of white satin and chiffon that was designed and made by the bride's mother and grandmother. The bodice and train were adorned with lace, sequins and beads. The elbow-length veil was attached to a tiara.

The bride carried a hand-tied bouquet of white roses, white lilies and white freesia arranged by her mother's cousin and aunt. The bride had the traditional something new, old, borrowed and blue.

The reception was held in the First Baptist Church Activities Building. Reception attendants were Alice Deeds, Tracy Brogden, Sammi Johnson, Tiffany Cochran and Gretta Thompson. Janae Watley attended the gift table. The house party was Donna Francis, Debra Ball, Rosemary McKee, Melba Rasor and Joyce Duncan. The traditional bride and groom's cake with punch and coffee were served.

The bride is a 2000 graduate of Gruver High School and is pursuing a degree in business at West Texas A&M University in Canyon. The groom is a 2000 graduate of Hartley High School and is pursuing a chiropractic degree at West Texas A&M University in Canyon.

The couple plan to live in Canyon when they return from a honeymoon trip to Durango, Colorado.

Bateman, Ratterree Wed



Mrs. Eric Ratterree

Autumn Dawn Bateman and Eric James Ratterree, both of Goodwell, Okla., were married Friday, August 16, 2002, at The Party Barn. Mr. and Mrs. David Tucker, aunt and uncle of the bride, officiated.

The bride is the daughter of Merry Wheelock of Gruver and Keith Bateman of Amarillo. Grandparents of the bride are Sidney Bateman, Joyce McMillan, Ann Whitaker and Jack Abernathy, all of whom attended the wedding.

Parents of the groom are Terry and Sherry Ratterree of Weatherford, Okla. Aunt and uncle to the groom are Dee and Lila Casler of Amarillo.

Maid of honor was Courtney Williams. Bridal attendants were Kami Lovitt, Cara Hathaway, Devin Cross and Jenni Cearley.

Best man was Trent Ratterree, brother of the groom. Groom's attendants were Luke Lumpkin, Billy Connelly, Matt Ruston and Dyrek Willis.

Flower girl was Makayla Wheelock, sister of the bride. Ring bearer was Jason Tucker, nephew of the bride. Ushers were Matt Sumner, Tim Ray and Brad Webb.

The bride is a graduate of Gruver High School. She is a student at Oklahoma Panhandle State University.

The groom is a graduate of Weatherford High School. He attended Southwestern Oklahoma State University and Oklahoma Panhandle State University. He is a quality assurance technician at Seaboard Farms.

The couple plan a honeymoon to Las Vegas. They will reside in Goodwell.

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LEGAL NOTICE

PUBLIC NOTICE
The City of Spearman will hold a public hearing concerning the proposed budget for the 2002-2003 fiscal year. Also, a public hearing will be held concerning amending the budget for the 2001-2002 fiscal year. The hearing will be held in the Council Chambers of City Hall, SW Court, Spearman, Texas, at 7:30 p.m. on September 17, 2002. All local taxpayers are invited to attend and participate in the hearings. 1(8-29-02)B

NOTICE OF CONCENTRATED ANIMAL FEEDING OPERATION APPLICATION TPDES Registration

No. WQ0001573-000
APPLICATION HANSFORD COUNTY FEEDERS, LP, PO Box 1095, Gruver, Texas 79040 has applied to the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission (TNRCC) for amendment of TPDES Permit No. WQ0001573-000 to authorize the applicant to expand an existing beef cattle facility from 42,000 head to a maximum of 90,000 head in Hansford County, Texas. The application was received by TNRCC on March 5, 2002. No discharge of pollutants into the waters in the state is authorized by this registration except under chronic or catastrophic rainfall conditions. All waste and wastewater will be beneficially used on agricultural land. The existing facility is located approximately one mile south of Farm-to-Market Road 1261 at a point three miles southeast of the intersection of Farm-to-Market Road 1261 and State Highway 207, and is approximately 6 miles east-northeast of the city of Gruver, Hansford County, Texas. The facility is located in the drainage area of the Farwell Draw in Segment No. 0100 of the Canadian River Basin.

The application is available for inspection by the public during normal business hours at the Hansford County Clerks Office, No. 1 Northeast Court, Spearman, Texas 79081-3417.

The Executive Director of the TNRCC has prepared a draft registration which, if approved, would establish the parameters and parameters and limitations within which the facility must operate. PUBLIC COMMENT: Written public comments may be submitted to the Office of Chief Clerk, at the address provided in the information section below, within 30 days of the date of newspaper publication of this notice. The Executive Director will consider all relevant information pertaining to whether the applicant meets the requirements for the registration and will issue a written determination as to any final action on the

application for registration and a response to all comments. INFORMATION: Written public comments should be submitted to the Office of the Chief Clerk, MC 105, TNRCC, PO Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087. For additional information, about the application or the procedure for public participation in the registration process, individual members of the general public may contact the Office of Public Assistance at 1-800-687-4040. General information regarding the TNRCC can be found at our web site at www.tnrcc.state.tx.us. Issued: August 12, 2002. LaDonna Castañuela, Chief Clerk Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission 2(8-15-02)B

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Spearman Swim Meet Results

Spearman Swim Meet
 Team Rankings: 1st - Spearman Swim Team (68 swimmers) - 641 points, 2nd - Garden City YMCA Seahawks (59 swimmers) - 560 points, 3rd - Grant CO Rec Swim Team (68 swimmers) - 458 points, 4th - Guymon Swim Club (68 swimmers) - 419 points, 5th - Swat (Wksc) (18 swimmers) - 37

Girls 8 & Under 100 Meter Freestyle Relay: 1 - Spearman Swim Team A (Vikki Temple, Jayme Pack, Gately Garnett, Mabry Sutterfield)
 Boys 8 & Under 100 Meter Freestyle Relay: 1 - Spearman Swim Team A (Marc Ortiz, Christian Fisher, Tyler Hamilton, Blaine Pack), 4 - Spearman Swim Team B (Kane Pittman, Jackson Davis, Blake Burgess, Blake Zane Hughes)
 Girls 9-10 200 Meter Freestyle Relay: 4 - Spearman Swim Team A (Andi Linn Scarborough, Suttan Garnett, Hannah Breeden, Preslee Baker), 6 - Spearman Swim Team B (Rosa Ortiz, Nikki Boyd, Britani Vasquez, Whitney Maestas)
 Boys 9-10 200 Meter Freestyle Relay: 2 - Spearman Swim Team A (Zack Hughes, Joel Kern, Sawyer Sutterfield, Chance Pack)
 Girls 8 & Under 25 Meter Freestyle: 1 - Malory Martin, 2 - Lexi Batton, 3 - Mabry Sutterfield, 5 - Gately Garnett
 Boys 8 & Under 25 Meter Freestyle: 2 - Blaine Pack, 4 - Tyler Hamilton, 6 - Marc Ortiz
 Boys 9-10 50 Meter Freestyle: 3 - Chance Pack, 6 - Zack Hughes
 Girls 8 & Under 25 Meter Butterfly: 2 - Lexi Batton, 4 - Mabry Sutterfield
 Boys 8 & Under 25 Meter Butterfly: 2 - Blaine Pack
 Boys 9-10 50 Meter Butterfly: 3 - Chance Pack
 Girls 8 & Under 25 Meter Backstroke: 3 - Malory Martin, 4 - Gately Garnett
 Boys 8 & Under 25 Meter Backstroke: 2 - Blaine Pack
 Girls 9-10 50 Meter Backstroke: 5 - Suttan Garnett
 Boys 9-10 50 Meter Backstroke: 2 - Chance Pack, 4 - Sawyer Sutterfield
 Girls 8 & Under 25 Meter Breaststroke: 2 - Malory Martin, 3 - Gately Garnett, 5 - Lexi Batton
 Boys 8 & Under 25 Meter Breaststroke: 3 - Christian Fisher, 4 - Tyler Hamilton, 6 - Marc Ortiz
 Girls 9-10 50 Meter Breaststroke: 4 - Suttan Garnett, 6 - Preslee Baker
 Boys 9-10 50 Meter Breaststroke: 5 - Joel Kern
 Girls 8 & Under 100 Meter IM: 2 - Lexi Batton
 Boys 8 & Under 100 Meter IM: 1 - Blaine Pack
 Boys 9-10 100 Meter IM: 4 - Sawyer Sutterfield
 Girls 8 & Under 100 Meter Freestyle: 2 - Malory Martin, 3 - Mabry Sutterfield, 4 - Vikki Temple
 Girls 9-10 100 Meter Freestyle: 2 - Andi Linn Scarborough, 3 - Suttan Garnett, 4 - Britani Vasquez
 Boys 9-10 100 Meter Freestyle: 2 - Chance Pack, 5 - Zack Hughes
 Girls 8 & Under 100 Meter Medley Relay: 1 - Spearman Swim Team A (Malory Martin, Gately Garnett, Lexi Batton, Mabry Sutterfield)
 Girls 9-10 200 Meter Medley Relay: 3 - Spearman Swim Team A (Hannah Breeden, Suttan Garnett, Whitney Maestas, Preslee Baker), 5 - Spearman Swim Team B (Britani Vasquez, Channing Burgess, Andi Linn Scarborough, Rosa Ortiz)
 Girls 11-12 200 Meter Freestyle Relay: 3 - Spearman Swim Team A (Destiny Fisher, Kylee Howard, Brittney Bradley, Bond Pittman), 5 - Spearman Swim Team B (Kendall

Schneider, Ashley Close, Amy Boyd, Clara Kern)
 Boys 11-12 200 Meter Freestyle Relay: 2 - Spearman Swim Team A (Jeremy Frost, Dusty Frost, Casey Cator, Kegan Garnett)
 Girls 13-14 200 Meter Freestyle Relay: 2 - Spearman Swim Team A (Amy Brown, Melissa Lesly, Jessica Brown, Mattie Davis)
 Boys 13-14 200 Meter Freestyle Relay: 1 - Spearman Swim Team A (Lance Huddleston, Bryn Garnett, Clayton Smith, Aaron Maestas)
 Girls 15 & Over 200 Meter Freestyle Relay: 1 - Spearman Swim Team A (Cayla Smith, Nicole Sander, Christina Ochoa, Jentry Edwards)
 Boys 15 & Over 200 Meter Freestyle Relay: 4 - Spearman Swim Team B (Jeff Brock, Ricky Garcia, Isaac Herndon, Daniel Longoria)
 Girls 11-12 50 Meter Freestyle: 3 - Destiny Fisher
 Boys 11-12 50 Meter Freestyle: 4 - Tate Batton, 5 - Jeremy Frost, 6 - Tyler Schnell
 Girls 13-14 50 Meter Freestyle: 2 - Laura Gomez, 5 - Melissa Lesly, 6 - Mattie Davis
 Boys 13-14 50 Meter Freestyle: 1 - Jarick Howard, 4 - Josh Chambers, 5 - Aaron Maestas
 Girls 15 & Over 50 Meter Freestyle: 4 - Christina Ochoa
 Boys 15 & Over 50 Meter Freestyle: 3 - Colton Miller, 6 - Jared George
 Girls 11-12 50 Meter Butterfly: 2 - Destiny Fisher, - Kylee Howard, 5 - Clara Kern
 Boys 11-12 50 Meter Butterfly: 1 - Tate Batton, 3 - Tyler Schnell
 Girls 13-14 100 Meter Butterfly: 3 - Amy Brown
 Boys 13-14 100 Meter Butterfly: 2 - Jarick Howard, 3 - Aaron Maestas
 Boys 15 & Over 100 Meter Butterfly: 1 - Colton Miller
 Girls 11-12 50 Meter Backstroke: 4 - Bond Pittman, 5 - Clara Kern
 Boys 11-12 50 Meter Backstroke: 1 - Jeremy Frost, 2 - Tate Batton, 3 - Tyler Schnell, 4 - Casey Cator, 5 - Kegan Garnett, 6 - Dusty Frost
 Girls 15 & Over 100 Meter Backstroke: 5 - Nicolet Sander
 Boys 15 & Over 100 Meter Backstroke: 4 - Brian Close, 5 - Daniel Kern
 Girls 11-12 50 Meter Breaststroke: 3 - Kylee Howard, 5 - Bond Pittman
 Boys 11-12 50 Meter Breaststroke: 2 - Tate Batton, 5 - Kegan Garnett, 6 - Casey Cator
 Girls 13-14 100 Meter Breaststroke: 4 - Amy Brown, 5 - Jessica Brown
 Boys 13-14 100 Meter Breaststroke: 1 - Josh Chambers, 3 - Clayton Smith
 Girls 15 & Over 100 Meter Breaststroke: 5 - Cayla Smith, 6 - Christina Ochoa
 Boys 15-18 100 Meter Breaststroke: 1 - Colton Miller, 4 - Brian Close
 Girls 11-12 200 Meter IM: 2 - Destiny Fisher, 4 - Amy Boyd, 6 - Kimberly Bergan
 Boys 11-12 200 Meter IM: 1 - Tate Batton
 Girls 13-14 200 Meter IM: 3 - Jessica Brown
 Boys 13-14 200 Meter IM: 2 - Jarick Howard
 Boys 15 & Over 200 Meter IM: 3 - Daniel Kern
 Girls 11-12 100 Meter Freestyle: 3 - Bond Pittman, 6 - Kendall Schneider
 Boys 11-12 100 Meter Freestyle: 4 - Tyler Schnell
 Girls 13-14 100 Meter Freestyle: 3 - Mattie Davis, 5 - Amy Brown
 Boys 13-14 100 Meter Freestyle: 2 - Jarick Howard, 3 - Josh Chambers, 4 - Aaron Maestas, 6 - Clayton Smith
 Girls 15 & Over 100 Meter Freestyle: 1 - Jentry Edwards
 Boys 15 & Over 100 Meter

Freestyle: 2 - Colton Miller, 6 - Jared George
 Girls 11-12 200 Meter Freestyle: 3 - Brittney Bradley, 4 - Clara Kern, 6 - Kimberly Bergan
 Girls 13-14 200 Meter Freestyle: 5 - Mattie Davis
 Boys 13-14 200 Meter Freestyle: 2 - Aaron Maestas, 3 - Josh Chambers
 Girls 15 & Over 200 Meter Freestyle: 1 - Jentry Edwards, 4 - Cayla Smith
 Boys 15 & Over 200 Meter Freestyle: 5 - Brian Close, 6 - Jared George
 Girls 11-12 200 Meter Medley Relay: 3 - Spearman Swim Team A (Clara Kern, Kylee Howard, Brittney Bradley, Kendall Schneider), 5 - Spearman Swim Team B (Kimberly Bergan, Amy Boyd, Ashley Close, Courtney Chambers)
 Boys 11-12 200 Meter Medley Relay: 1 - Spearman Swim Team A (Jeremy Frost, Kegan Garnett, Tyler Schnell, Casey Cator)
 Girls 13-14 200 Meter Medley Relay: 2 - Spearman Swim Team A (Melissa Lesly, Jessica Brown, Amy Brown, Mattie Davis)
 Boys 13-14 200 Meter Medley Relay: 1 - Spearman Swim Team A (Lance Huddleston, Josh Chambers, Clayton Smith, Bryn Garnett)
 Boys 15 & Over 200 Meter Medley Relay: 2 - Spearman Swim Team A (Brian Close, Colton Miller, Daniel Kern, Jared George)
 Girls 11-12 400 Meter Freestyle: 2 - Bond Pittman, 3 - Kylee Howard
 Girls 13-14 400 Meter Freestyle: 2 - Laura Gomez
 Girls 15 & Over 400 Meter Freestyle: 1 - Jentry Edwards
 Boys 11-12 400 Meter Freestyle: 2 - Jeremy Frost
 Boys 13-14 400 Meter Freestyle: 2 - Jarick Howard, 3 - Clayton Smith
 Boys 15 & Over 400 Meter Freestyle: 6 - Daniel Kern
 Other swimmers participating were: Kane Pittman, Jackson Davis, Blake Burgess, Zane Hughes, Matthew Jarvis, Sol Pittman, Jeff Brock and Daniel Longoria

Thornberry Meets Constituents

Hansford County and her new US Representative Mac Thornberry made acquaintance Wednesday, August 21 in informal meetings held in Spearman and Gruver.
 The county is one of nine counties formerly represented by Larry Combest which through recent redistricting will now be in the congressional district of Thornberry.
 "I have been using my recess time to travel and get acquainted with the new counties in my district," Thornberry said.
 A member of the US House of Representatives for 7 1/2 years, Thornberry serves on the budget committee, the armed services committee, and the resources committee which deals with a number of issues including public lands and endangered species.
 Many of the questions posed to Thornberry in the town meetings were in relation to the 2002 Farm Bill.
 In response to the question of why dryland crop were not eligible for double crop disaster payments as irrigated crops, Thornberry said that any changes in the farm bill must also include a way to fund the proposed change. He also pointed out that the negative light in which the farm bill has been conveyed to the non-farm public makes it especially difficult to add additional aid to the bill.
 "The political environment of the time makes it hard to pass anything for ag," Thornberry said.
 A second question concerning the farm bill asked why federal crop records cannot be used by farmers to prove yields.
 "It is still being looked at," Thornberry said. "A lot of the specifics of the farm bill are still being developed."
 Another farmer commented that the new farm bill made former power of attorneys worthless.
 On other issues Thornberry expressed his feeling that reparations to ancestors of former slaves which has been widely-publicized

will not make headway in the upcoming congressional session.
 "The issue of reparations is kept alive because groups raise money off of the efforts," Thornberry said.
 He related one such incident which "ripped off Blacks" who responded to an ad to send information and money to a group in hopes of later receiving reparations.
 Regarding the question of what could be done to hasten the appointment of judges through the legislature, Thornberry stated that pressure must be put on the senate to move through the nomination of judges and other appointed officials.
 If elections turn out well, that will have the greatest effect on the process," Thornberry said.
 "Following September 11th, the members of the legislature moved closer than I ever could have imagine. But moving closer to elections, there is now more jockeying for position," he added.
 "A one vote margin in the Senate and a six vote margin in the House make for close votes, and the vote is more partisan toward the election," Thornberry said.
 Commenting on a follow-up question which asked why more work is not done on the floor of the two houses rather than in committees, Thornberry stated that there were pros and cons to both sides.

Because the House seems better organized than the Senate, Thornberry expressed the need for updating and better order in the Senate.
 Fielding an environmental question over the concern for Hansford County from numerous pig farms expanding in the county, Thornberry stated that the TRNCC addressed such concerns, but there have been issues discussed within his resources committee which could at some time have an effect on the issue.
 "The EPA is looking for stricter standards-some of these could have an effect on new facilities going up, but enforcement of any standards would be by the states. There has been some discussion about species-specific regulation - how you have to handle the waste of one animal and that of another. But that is the only aspect the federal government has in the matter," Thornberry said.
 The representative urged those present to send their comments and concerns to him via e mail or fax since mail to congressional members is still being monitored by the FBI following the anthrax scare and was often delayed by as much as two weeks.
 He also urged those present to have patience with the county ASCS offices in implementing the new farm bill.

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 Lesa stated that she admires her father because he is a perfect example of what hard work can accomplish. "He is what this country is about, even if you start with nothing you can be successful."
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