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Important Election Dates

May 12th Limited Election

The May 12th limited uniform election date will be held as usual. (This election is for cities and schools only). The last day to file for a place on the ballot was Monday, March 5th.

The City of Spearman has two Alderman positions up for reelection - Jon Garnett and Charles Elliott, as well as the Mayor. As of Monday, March 5, 2012, the following have filed: Mayor Brian Gillispie has filed for re-election. Alderman Jon Garnett has filed for re-election. Also filing for Alderman are Armando Martinez and Bryce Williams. Alderman Charles Elliott did not file.

Spearman ISD will not hold an election this year. They have two terms expiring - Maria Sibley and Glen Ray Mackie. Both incumbents were the only two people to file.

Gruver ISD has two positions on the ballot this year for School Board. The two candidates up for reelection are Dwayne Thompson and Brent Steeds.

May 29th Primary Election

The last day to file for a place on the May 29th Primary Election ballot was Friday, March 9th.

The last day to apply for a ballot by mail is May 22nd.

The first day of early voting is May 14th and the last day of early voting is May 25th.

Local offices on the ballot and those individuals filing for positions include: District Judge - William D. "Bill" Smith; District Attorney - Mark Snider; Sheriff - Tim Glass; Tax Assessor/Collector - Linda Cummings; County Attorney - John L. Hutchison; County Commissioner - Precinct 1 - Butch Reed; and County Commissioner - Precinct 3 - Tim Stedje.



Kramer King and Beau Blankenship are the Class A District 7 Boys Doubles Champions. They advanced to the Regional Meet, April 18-19, in Levelland, TX. At the Regional Tournament they defeated Claude #2 6-2, 6-1 and Wink #1 7-5, 6-2. They placed 3rd Regional Tennis Tournament.



Malory Martin represented the Spearman Lynxettes in the State Golf Tournament on May 2nd and 4th. (See page 5.)

PTCI Awards \$3,000 in Scholarships

Panhandle Telephone Cooperative Inc.'s Scholarship Program is in its twenty-third year of providing scholarships to high school seniors. Each year PTCI accepts applications from Booker, Perryton and Spearman seniors. This year, PTCI has awarded \$3,000 in scholarships to the following students: Remington Couts, Perryton; Ron Snyder III, Perryton; and Iris Yadira Villa, Spearman.

The recipients of these scholarships are required to attend a vocational/technical school, college or university, or any certified school that provides for future job training.

If you would like more information about PTCI scholarship program, visit us online at www.ptci.net/scholarship-applications or by calling PTCI at 1-800-562-2556.

PTCI (Panhandle Telephone Cooperative, Inc.) along with its wholly owned subsidiary company, Panhandle Telecommunication Systems, Inc., provides an array of communication services to customers in the Oklahoma Panhandle area. Services include state of the art Residential and Business Telephone services with many calling features, plus long distance service; High Speed Internet service with help desk; Cellular telephone service with nationwide plans, free mobile to mobile and free nights and weekends; Digital Cable TV service with 140+ channels, local networks, high definition including local networks, DVR, and pause live features. PTCI was established in 1954 and PTSI in 1983. Both are headquartered in Guymon, Oklahoma.



Weekly Update

Texas, May 7- Average retail gasoline prices in Texas have fallen 5.7 cents per gallon in the past week, averaging \$3.63/g yesterday. This compares with the national average that has fallen 2.9 cents per gallon in the last week to \$3.77/g, according to gasoline price website TexasGasPrices.com.

Including the change in gas prices in Texas during the past week, prices yesterday were 20.2 cents per gallon lower than the same day one year ago and are 19.8 cents per gallon lower than a month ago. The national average has decreased 13.4 cents per gallon during the last month and stands 15.9 cents per gallon lower than this day one year ago.

"I'd probably sound like a broken record at this point if I were to tell folks that crude prices breached and fell under \$100 late last week. I'm sure I'll be flooded with motorists asking why gasoline prices haven't fallen yet," chuckled GasBuddy.com Senior Petroleum Analyst Patrick DeHaan. "Either way, it's great news for motorists- but some hot spots may burn motorists before they see any sizable relief. When I mention hot spots, I'm thinking of the West Coast- where supply has dropped considerably, causing tightness and perhaps higher prices. The rest of the country, however, should see short term relief continue ahead of Memorial Day, easing unfounded fears of the national average hitting \$5/gal, or even \$4/gal," DeHaan said.

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

Texas Crop & Weather

The following specific livestock, crop and weather conditions were reported by Panhandle Extension directors for May 8, 2012: Most of the region remained dry with above-average temperatures. Rangeland and pastures began to dry out at a rapid rate due to hot and dry conditions. A few areas reported receiving some moisture. Parts of Collingsworth County received from 0.6 inch to 4 inches of rain. Flooding and erosion occurred in many fields where there were heavy downpours. Farmers continued planting corn and cotton. Wheat was in very poor to excellent condition, with most areas reporting poor to fair. Rangeland and pastures were in very poor to good condition, with most reporting poor. Cattle were reported in good condition.



A retirement reception was held Wednesday, April 18th to honor Jim Davis and Francis Hathaway, both longtime employees of the Gruver Independent School District. Mr. Davis has been a teacher/coach for 24 years and Francis Hathaway, has served as a custodial supervisor for 29 years. The Gruver Family and Consumer Science classes prepared all of the food and served at the reception.

Xcel Energy will convene its annual shareholders meeting at 11 a.m. CDT Wednesday, May 16 at the Amarillo Civic Center Grand Plaza, 401 S. Buchanan St. in Amarillo, Texas.

Representatives from news organizations are welcome to attend the meeting but are asked to let Xcel Energy know of plans to attend by calling the company's Texas-New Mexico media relations line, (806) 679-7773, by the end of the business day Tuesday, May 15.

On the day of the meeting, reporters and photographers should register in the lobby at a table marked "Media." For security reasons, they should be prepared to show media credentials and photo identification.

As has been the practice for many years, cameras, video equipment and tape recorders will not be allowed in the annual meeting room. Xcel Energy's media relations representatives will store equipment and return it after the meeting.

Ben Fowke, chairman, president and CEO, will answer questions during a news conference immediately after the annual meeting in a nearby conference room. Reporters and photographers may use tape recorders and cameras at that time.

The annual meeting will be webcast live on the Xcel Energy website, www.xcelenergy.com.

Heritage Days at Palo Duro Lake

The 2012 Heritages Days will be celebrated at Lake Palo Duro on Saturday, May 12, 2012.

The event will kickoff at 9 a.m. with a kids fishing tournament. (Registration is at 8:30 a.m.)

Other events planned include:

- Rib Cook Off

- Martin Entertainment
- Free hamburger and hotdogs

Hansford County Hospital District is also hosting their 1st Annual Rib Cook-Off. For more information, call 806-659-5870.

Other Heritage Days Activities will be held Saturday, May 19, 2012. Watch for more information!

HCHD Rib Cook-Off

Team name: _____

Head Cook: _____

Team Members: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____

Phone number: _____

I have read and understand the rules that are written. I have obtained the assigned location of where I will be barbecuing. I understand that all of the judging results are final.

X _____ Head Cook

• \$50 entry fee

• Spots are on a first come first serve bases.

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Rib Cook-Off Rules

1. Meat prepared for judging must be pork ribs. The ribs must be pork-spare ribs.

2. No other cuts allowed.

3. Meat must be cooked on location over a fire of wood, charcoal, but no gas is allowed. Cookers may not dig pits. Smoker type barbecues are allowed. Par boiling, electric ovens or solar

ovens are not permitted. Electricity will be provided on a first come first serve basis, and generators are allowed.

4. Pre-marinated ribs are NOT allowed. All ingredients used in preparing, seasoning, marinating, basting, or saucing ribs for the competition must be brought to the Cook-Off, and in your cooking area on display. But you may pre make your marinade or rub but it cannot be applied until cook-off begins.

5. The cooking period will be approximately 6 hours and will start at the end of the of the Cook's Meeting, held at 9:30 a.m. the cooking period will end at promptly at 4p.m., unless other otherwise stated. Delivering ribs to the judging area after the cooking period has concluded can be cause for disqualification, as well as late arrival to the Cook-Off.

6. Contestants will only be supplied a cooking area on a first come first serve basis. Contestants will be responsible for supplying ALL of their own supplies: utensils, ingredients, equipment, etc.

7. Contestants will be allowed to set up equipment from their load-in time until 10 a.m. All vehicles must be removed from the cook off area prior to 10 a.m.

8. Each contestant must submit a 5 individually cut apart ribs for judging. Cookers can pass out "samples" to the general public after judging is completed, but cannot sell their ribs.

9. Ribs submitted for judging must be submitted on the platter provided at the Cooks' Meeting. Platters must contain only ribs. No garnish.

10. Sanitary conditions must be maintained at all times.

11. Ribs must be at 40 degrees upon arrival and must be at 140 degrees for serving.

12. All teams must have water or a fire extinguisher on site in case of fire. Fire must be completely out before leaving the designated area after cook off is over.

Entry forms may be mailed to:

Hansford County Hospital District

Attn: Rib Cook-Off

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Phone: (806)-659-5870

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Wolf Creek Heritage Museum Notes

by Virginia Scott

MUSEUM HAPPENINGS

It is that time again - changing exhibits. Rebecca Ashley's exhibit was enjoyed by many.

May/June's exhibit features Mike Weinette of Darrouzett. He paints on feathers, and they are beautiful! When you enter the art room they appear small, but as you view each one they become bigger.

It is always interesting and fun to have an exhibit where the artist uses different materials to paint on. Turkey feathers are common in our area and make a good canvas.

Joining Mike with exhibits is the Follett Girl Scout troop with their display of girl scout equip-

ment, uniforms, handbooks, projects, and memories from 100 years of scouting. The American Girl Scouts are celebrating their 100 year anniversary this year - 1912 to 2012. The Follett troop has a four generation history. Come by and see a photo of the four generations of Gensman women. The exhibit will bring back memories.

HISTORICAL MUSINGS

Lin Robinson has sent us a brochure advertising Lipscomb County to potential farmers. The following paragraphs describe the various crops that grow in our county.

"Because of a deep, black, prairie soil, that will produce and does now pro-

duce fall wheat, spring wheat, corn, milo maize, caiffer corn, sorghum, broom corn, rye, oats, barley, Irish potatoes, sweet potatoes, and all other vegetables and vine crops, including the wonderfully flavored cantaloupe as well as all kinds of grasses, timothy, clover and the great alfalfa produces from two to four crops per year. ...

"All kinds of fruit such as peaches, apples, plums, pears, grapes and berries grown in profusion where tended. ...

"We have watched the cow man give way to the farmer in the last two or three years ...the land is changing hands lively at from \$10 to \$ 25 per acre and we predict that this same land within five years will sell as readily for \$75 and \$100."

The pamphlet is from a reality business in Higgins with the First National Bank of Higgins as their reference. Lin is sending me a full copy and hopefully it will identify the author and date, but it appears that it is some of the early advertisements for settlers in the 1880s.

I hope my garden grows as the ad promises this year, and I will try to tend it profusely.

Have a good week.



STATE CAPITAL HIGHLIGHTS



by Ed Sterling

Merits trial ordered in case pitting state, health care providers

AUSTIN — Three movements occurred last week in a legal battle over whether the state of Texas will allow health services to be rendered by Planned Parenthood affiliate clinics under the federal and state funded Women's Health Program.

- On April 30, Austin U.S. District Judge Lee Yeakel granted an injunction requested by the clinics to prevent the state from stopping them from serving enrollees — low-income women who do not have health insurance.

- Later on April 30, U.S. Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals Judge Jerry Smith granted the state's request for a stay of the district court's injunction.

- And on May 4, a three-judge panel of the New Orleans-based Fifth Circuit lifted Judge Smith's stay of the injunction until a trial on merits can be heard.

So, now, the stay of the injunction is in effect, meaning the state Department of Health and Human Services may not enforce its rule banning affiliates of abortion providers from the Women's Health Program.

The Fifth Circuit panel's order requires a lower court trial to be on the next available regular oral argument docket.

Plaintiffs assert that the state, in preventing them from rendering services to enrollees, violates the U.S. Constitution's First Amendment (freedom of speech and association) and Fourteenth Amendment (equal protection under the laws).

New licensing requirements

New proof of residency requirements to obtain Texas driver licenses or identification cards took effect on May 7.

In announcement last week, the Texas Department of Public Safety said first-time applicants, in addition to standard application requirements, will be required to present two acceptable documents con-

taining the applicant's name and address to establish proof of residency in the state of Texas.

To meet the residency requirement for an original identification card or driver license, an applicant must:

- Reside in Texas for at least 30 days prior to application; and

- Present two acceptable documents establishing proof of residency, one of which must demonstrate the applicant has lived in Texas at least 30 days.

Test to screen for SCID

The Texas Department of State Health Services on May 3 announced it is adding severe combined immunodeficiency, SCID, to the list of diseases that all newborns in Texas are screened for at birth.

The DSHS laboratory plans to begin screening for SCID in September using the same newborn screening specimens already collected to test for 28 other rare disorders.

Blood to be tested is drawn by a heel stick within 48 hours of birth and again at one to two weeks of age, the agency said.

Combs to lead task force

Texas Comptroller Susan Combs will lead a new "Child Identity Protection Task Force" managed by The Center for Identity at The University of Texas at Austin.

"Child identity theft and fraud result in a wide range of crimes against children," the center's director, Suzanne Barber, said April 30.

"The social harm of on-

line impostors bullying or preying on our children is devastating, and the UT Child Identity Protection Task Force will work tirelessly to help children and parents guard against these crimes," Combs said.

Among task force members are individuals with the FBI, Secret Service, TransUnion, LexisNexis and Internet safety group WiredSafety.org.

Permian proposes \$10K degree

A "Texas Science Scholar" undergraduate degree to be offered by the Odessa-based University of Texas of the Permian Basin beginning in the fall is the first answer to a call by Gov. Rick Perry for institutions of higher learning to adopt a \$10,000 four-year undergraduate degree.

Announced at a May 2 UT System board of regents meeting by UT-Permian Basin President David Watts, the bachelor of science degree program will offer majors in chemistry, computer science, geology, information systems and mathematics on the UTPB campus.

Education chief resigns

Texas Commissioner of Education Robert Scott on May 3 announced his intent to resign from office effective July 2, five years after his appointment to the state's highest public education post.

Scott, 43, a former education aide to Gov. Perry, served as interim-commissioner and deputy commissioner before being named to the highest post in the agency.

Words from Faith & Grace

by Cecil R. Biggers, Lutheran Lay Minister

In the sixth week of the Season of Easter, we continue to learn of the Holy Spirit and the commandment of love as we study Acts 10: 44-48, Psalm 98, 1 John 5: 1-6, and John 15: 9-17.

Peter is slowly being divested of his upbringing which denied that God had any interest in Gentiles. As he speaks to the household of Cornelius, a Roman centurion, the Holy Spirit falls upon them. Peter asks the Jewish believers with him, "Can anyone withhold the water for baptizing these people who have received the Holy Spirit just as we have?" We may learn from this that those of us who bear the message of the Gospel are only conduits, the true "preacher" is the Holy Spirit and the Spirit enables anyone who hears to believe. God's steadfast love extends to all his creation.

The Psalmist sings a song of praise and enthronement. "O sing to the Lord a new song, for he has done marvelous things." The Psalmist calls on all the earth, all people, all elements to praise the Lord; for, the Lord comes comes with steadfast love to judge the earth.

"Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ has been born of God, and everyone who loves the parent loves the child. By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and obey his commandments." We cannot truly love God if we hate our brothers and sisters in Christ. We cannot truly love our brothers and sisters in Christ without loving God. The commandment is that we love one another.

The Holy Spirit is given by God's grace through His steadfast love to enable us to have faith in Jesus the Christ; because God has first loved us, we are enabled to love others.

May the Holy Spirit enable you to have faith in Jesus the Christ that you may abide in Him and share his steadfast love with others.

Wolf Creek Heritage Museum

Museum Hours: Monday thru Friday 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Special hours upon request.

Museum Information: 13310 Hwy 305, PO Box 5, Lipscomb TX 79056; telephone: 806-852-2123; e m a i l : wolfcrk@amaonline.com; website: www.wolfcreekheritagemuseum.org

You still have time If you would like to donate to Project Graduation 2012. Just send your donation by 15 May and it is sure to make a difference for these Seniors' last event of their high school experience!!

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- Benedict XVI, e.g.
- African antelope
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- "Happy Endings" actor Adam ___
- CSI evidence
- Stand on end
- Chews out
- *Famous for her "Umbrella"
- Likewise
- "...partridge in a ___ tree..."
- *Madonna's controversial garment
- Viking writing symbol
- Interstellar cloud
- "A River ___ Through It"
- Cause of Titanic's demise
- Like a mad dog
- "Do ___ others as you would do..."
- Tennessee footballer
- *Agullera and Carey can hit a high one
- Yuletides
- Winter Olympic event
- "Charlie and the Chocolate Factory"

author

- Army's offensive, pl.
- Remote Automated Weather Station
- Used at start of new hole
- Unstressed-stressed pattern in poetry
- Pig's home
- "If she "were a boy..."
- Road less traveled
- In the midst
- ___ and feather
- EU money, pl.
- American poet James Whitcomb ___
- Geological period
- Narrow mountain ridge
- Benevolent and Protective Order of ___
- "The ___ Hot Chili Peppers
- "She wakes up "in the morning feeling like P. Diddy"

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- Bath powder
- Administrator
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- Getting probability
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- Bell-bottoms bottom

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Sign of something to come

Philadelphia's Ivy League member

Cocoyam

Hitler, e.g.

"No ___ about it"

007 creator

Throw out of killer

*He'd "catch a grenade for ya"

A sentence that goes too long

Poker stakes

First man on the moon

*E Street ___

Lusitania's destroyer

Gracefully slender

*She "could have had it all rolling in the deep"

Worn from walking

*She "was born this way"

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May 10
Birthdays - Sandi Foster, Hayley Garland, Paula Williams, Butch Lasater, Teresa Kirk, Alva Garner, Brenda Shieldknight, Kevin Bellows, Deborah Randell, Paul Garza Jr., Robert Howell, Adrian Garza, Tashiana Schumann, Troy Seagler, Tammy Mitchell, Abigail DeLeon, Bonnie Novak
Anniversary - M/M Harley Murrell, M/M Gary Evans, M/M Ray Gibson

May 11
Birthdays - Pake Eckhardt, Jeff Hand, Diane McLain, Maria Arjona, Scotty Evans, Francis Ortega, Mary Ellen Vitele, Jeremy Austin, Larue Whitefield, Jared George, Wylee Maupin, Darla Myatt
May 12
Birthdays - Kristin Evans, John Holland, Trevor Ferguson, Deanna Johnson, Dave Karlin, Jimmy Greene, Hazel Scott, Gary Gumfory, Ernesto Puentes, Karen Hamilton, Toni Atwood, Bonnie Benson, Anita Spivey, Lauren Carter, Karen Hodge, Kenneth Redwine
Anniversary - M/M Bob Davis

May 13
Birthdays - Kerry Foster, Billy Horton, Cora Meyer, Terry Butt, Roy Stinson, Tom Fanning, Sarah Moore
May 14
Birthdays - Nancy Barkley, Debbie Deeds, Gerald TeBeest, Vickie (Hand) Nickel, Patsy Barrera, Fran Quinby, Janice Gerrad, Luis Garcia, Sharon Seagler, Eric Titus, Jim Bar-timus, Chris Johnson, Buck Tidwell, David Terry, Brandy Shelton, Sue Ger-ardy, Kevin Harris
Anniversary - M/M Felipe Lomeli

May 15
Birthdays - Monte Cluck, Brooke Holt Ruhlin, Jamie Maize, Tommy Russell, Charles Eaton, Wayne Cook, Francisco Borunda Jr., Tommie Mitchell, Luis Moreno, Trent Seagler, Ortha Fay Watkins, Trena Horton, Sadie Goodall, Jan-reen Baumgardner, Jean Armes, Bryan Dudley, Jen-nifer Traylor, Lance Smith
Anniversary - M/M Don Kjos

May 16
Birthdays - Charles Evans, Mary King, Justin Miller, Ashleigh Sherrill, Gayle Smith, Kurt Spoonmore, Linda Latta, Cinda Wolf, Shelly Whitefield, Mary Trent, John Sprig, Michael Gruver, Linda Lujan, Rhonda Christian, Landry Fletcher, April Payne
May 17
Birthdays - Bart Thoreson, Karen Burke, Billy Close, Lorene McGuire, Earla Spencer, Matt Lair, Scott Boyd, Angela Pipkin, Lloyd Laxton, Marcy Villalobos, Cleavene Elliott, Edith Volden
Anniversary - M/M Randy

Reid, M/M Justin Gifford, M/M Darrell Wright
May 18
Birthdays - Dan Carthel, Phylis Haefner, Amy Lewis, Darrell Messer, Clint Swink, Jerry Swink, Sally Desi-mone, Paula Fryrear, Alma Ricketts, Byron Kenney, Joy Gafford, Ernestine Gray, Luis Moreno Jr., Kimberly Rhea, Ann Atchison, Amy Sparks, Thea Beck, Danny Henson, Kenny Virden, Travis Hodge, Justine Ros-ales
Anniversary - Roy & Denise Harbour, Raymond & Judy Jenkins, M/M Mark McCloy, M/M Robert Elliott
May 19
Birthdays - Yvette Miller, S.J. Wells, Cora Lee Frantz, Wayne Ellsworth, Bettie Davis, Debbie Schu-mann, Nita Burger, Lori Scroggs, Ricky Deluna, Joanne Blodgett, Sandi Pearson, Beatrice Self, Mary Delarosa, Brandi Allen, Otho Gammill, Brandy Morris, Linda Cum-mings, Cami Winegarner, Kate Haruch
Anniversary - M/M Terrell Evans, Shorty & Carol Hes-tor, M/M Tom Fanning, M/M Tim Smith
May 20
Birthdays - Donna Ras-ton, April Graham, Bar-bara Kenney, Ronny Smith, Cindy Scribner, Beatrice Ellsworth, Jacob Harbour, Vernon Gardner, Beatrice McCloy, Lanesa Washburn
Anniversary - M/M Steve Stedje, M/M Pete Stafford, M/M Donnie Davis, Richard & Donna Trantham, Shawn & Dynell Moore, Brooks & Debbie Beck
May 21
Birthdays - Steven Foster, Holly Holt Key, Jenny Hart, Brad Johnson, Mae McLoughlin, Dennis Baker, Mike Kizzar, Carolyn Mc-Daniel, Judy Vela, Faye Schmehr, Tracy Kirk-patrick, Veronica Gomez, Michael Quillin, Gaby Briones, James Martin
Anniversary - M/M Fran-cisco Borunda
May 22
Birthdays - Kaitlyn Poole, Sorrele Blevens, Geneva Eddleman, Tamra Gam-mon, Kathryn Gumfory, Jo Copeland, Amy Gumfory Seagler, Lacey Morris, Alan Shields, James Osbourne, Joe Garza, Maria Vela, Vickie Genn, Flossie Boyd, Cassie Wyatt, Carla Wood-ington, Detsi Vera
Anniversary - Irvin & Helen Boyd, M/M Steve Reed, M/M Rex Reid
May 23
Birthdays - Stefan Dor-man, Clifford George, Brad Womble, Monet Lassiter, Scott Alfred, Lloyd Poole, Gladys Mitchum, David Collins, James Ooley, Bernie Olivare, Dorothea Keys
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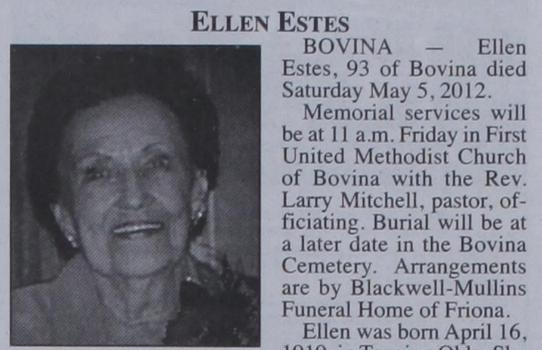
GRUVER — Nancy Taliaferro, 64, of White Deer, formerly of Gruver, died Thursday, May 3, 2012. Memorial services will be at 2 p.m. Tuesday in First Baptist Church of Gruver with the Rev. Scott Curry officiating. Arrangements are by Boxwell Brothers Funeral Home of Spearman.
 Ms. Taliaferro was born March 12, 1948, in Bedford. She was a manager for Allsup's in Gruver for 15 years. Survivors include a daughter, Tammy Kay Mitchell and husband Marlon of Gruver; a son, Carl Richard Pope Jr. of Dallas; a grandson, Payton Mitchell and wife Mariah of Gruver; a great-grandson, Arik Mitchell of Gruver; six sisters; a brother; and her companion, Sally Girl.
 The family suggests memorials be to American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, P.O. Box 96929, Washington DC, 20090; or Hansford Hospice, 707 W. Roland St., Spearman, TX 79081.

FRANCIS SCROGGS POND

SPEARMAN — Francis Scroggs Pond, 69, of Spearman died Saturday, May 5, 2012.
 Graveside services will be at 10 a.m. Wednesday in Hansford Cemetery with Bill Watson officiating. Music will be provided by Joye Watson. Spanish prayer will be said by Angel Vaquera. Arrangements are by Boxwell Brothers Funeral Home of Spearman.
 Mrs. Pond was born Nov. 17, 1942, in Dodge City, Kan. She married Donald George Pond in Vega. She was a secretary for Baker and Taylor Drilling Co., a hair-dresser and an airplane pilot. She was a first responder on Monkey Island, Okla. She loved to learn.
 She was preceded in death by her husband; her parents; and two sons, David Vance Scroggs and James Michiel Scroggs.
 Survivors include a daughter, Deatta Sparks Setliff of Spearman; six grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.
 The family suggests memorials be to Christians United for Israel, P.O. Box 1307, San Antonio, TX 78295.

JIMMY WAYNE CRAWFORD

AMARILLO - Jimmy Wayne Crawford, 79, of Amarillo died Sunday, May 6, 2012.
 Services will be at 4 p.m. Wednesday in Boxwell Brothers Ivy Chapel with Jim Fox officiating. Burial will be in Llano Cemetery. Masonic rites will be courtesy of San Jacinto Masonic Lodge No. 1330. Military rites are by Disabled American Veterans Chapter 26. Arrangements are by Boxwell Brothers Fun-eral Directors, 2800 Paramount Blvd.
 Jimmy was born April 17, 1933, in Amarillo to Richard Silas and Bertha Moore Crawford. He was a veteran of the Army.
 Jimmy was self-employed and worked for Baker Taylor in Spearman. He owned Uniforms Plus in Amarillo. He was a member of the San Jacinto Masonic Lodge No. 1330.
 He was preceded in death by his wife, Carole Crawford; and a son, Jimmy Crawford Jr.
 Survivors include three daughters, Carol Russell and Kay Patterson and husband Joey, all of Amarillo, and Kim Williams and husband Danny of Bushland; a sister, Bea Hanisch of Houston; 10 grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.
 Sign the online guest book at www.boxwellbrothers.com.



ELLEN ESTES BOVINA — Ellen Estes, 93 of Bovina died Saturday May 5, 2012.
 Memorial services will be at 11 a.m. Friday in First United Methodist Church of Bovina with the Rev. Larry Mitchell, pastor, officiating. Burial will be at a later date in the Bovina Cemetery. Arrangements are by Blackwell-Mullins Funeral Home of Friona.
 Ellen was born April 16, 1919, in Tangier, Okla. She moved to Bovina in 1926. She married Samuel Vernon Estes on Nov. 18, 1939. As a member of the First United Methodist Church of Bovina, Ellen taught Bible class, was the pianist, and was a member of United Methodist Women. She was a teacher for several years in Bovina and Farwell. She then taught preschool children English as a second language. Ellen was named Bovina Woman of the Year in 1971.
 She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband; three brothers; a sister; and a son-in-law, Dick Dobbs.
 Survivors include three daughters, Nita Beth Dobbs of Clovis, N.M., Verna Marie Strawn and husband Bill of Spearman and Linda Marshall and husband Bubby of Bovina; eight grandchildren; and 14 great-grandchildren.
 The family suggests memorial to a charity of choice.
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Medical Fund for Francis Scroggs Pond

A Medical Fund that has been set up at FNB for Francis (Scroggs) Pond, she has been Diagnosed with cancer and will begin chemotherapy in Amarillo (and possibly surgery in Dallas in the near future).

Spearman Food Bank 1st Thursday

If you would like to help the Spearman Food Bank, they need help unloading the truck at 11:30 each 1st Thursday of each month. Contact Cecil Biggers for more information.

Rushing Wind Emmaus Community Meeting

Rushing Wind Emmaus Community will meet on Saturday, May 12, at the Waka Christian Center. A potluck meal will be served at 6 p.m., followed by a praise and worship service. Families and friends are invited and a nursery will be provided. Sponsors training will be available.

Perryton Area Parkinson's Disease Support Group

The Perryton Area Parkinson's Disease Support Group will meet Friday, May 11 at the Perryton Mennonite Church located at 2821 S. Ash. A lunch will be served at the noon meeting. Ray Harvey from All Season's will show how to garden with containers. Anyone who has Parkinson's Disease or family member/friend is welcome to attend. Call Bev Burger at 435-3437 or 435-0579 for more information.

Gruver Spring Band Concert

The Gruver Spring Band Concert will be held on Tuesday, May 15 at 7:00pm in the Gruver Auditorium.

Spearman Big Fun Run & Family Fun Walk

The 3rd Annual Spearman Big Fun Run and Family Fun Walk will be held Saturday, May 19th at 8:30 a.m. starting at the Purple Park (403 East 11th) in Spearman. A Family Fun 1 Mile Walk immediately follows at 9:00 a.m. Proceeds will benefit Big Brothers Big Sisters in Perryton, Spearman, and Gruver. This will be the first race of a two race series. The second race will be held August 25th in Perryton. Male and female first and second place prizes will be awarded in four divisions: 14 & under, 15-25, 26-40, and 41+. Medals will also be awarded for runners who compete in both events. Registration is \$25/single race or \$40 if competing in both races. Members of SWFTR or Lone Star Runners Club pay \$20. Family Fun Walk Package (family of 4) is \$90. To register for the 5K Big Fun Run or the One Mile Family Fun Walk, call the BBBS office at 434-0016. Registration forms are available on our website at <http://bbbspxpan.org>. Registration will also be available the day of the event. T-shirts will be guaranteed to the first 75 entries per event.

Hansford Co. Library Thrift Shop Accepting Donations
Alley Katz (Library Thrift Shop) is accepting donations of quality items. You may ask for the key to the Thrift Shop at the library desk during regular hours (9:30 a.m.-5 p.m., Monday-Friday). Alley Katz is open from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. each Wednesday.

Firefighters Wanted

The Spearman Volunteer Fire Department is actively recruiting new members. Both men and women age 18 and over are welcome. The number of volunteers has dropped to dangerously low levels and the roster needs to be increased. If you have an interest in helping to keep your community safe, the SVFD would like to talk to you. All new candidates will have access to the best training available. All interested parties should either come to the fire station located at 513 S Hazelwood or call Kimmi Rivera at 806-202-6374. The SVFD meets every Thursday night at 7 PM. Bring a friend and come join the team.

Hansford Hospice

Volunteering for Hospice is very flexible and easy to work into your schedule. Our volunteers provide important services to the people we serve, whether it is: providing companionship to patients and their families; helping with clerical duties in the office; helping with special projects such as cooking food, baking, running or helping with community outreach. If you are interested in being a Hansford Hospice Volunteer, please contact us at 806-659-5811.

Texas SNAP Benefits Assistance

Need help applying for SNAP benefits? We can help! High Plains Food Bank is providing application assistance for Texas SNAP benefits (Food Stamps) in your area. Telephone application assistance is available. If you need to apply for benefits, please call us today at 806374-8562 or 1-800-774-8564.

Don't Text and Drive Decals

If you would like to purchase a lime green 'AMT 1994-2009 Don't Text and Drive' window decal in memory of Ali Tyler, please contact Stephanie Tyler at 806-736-0019. All proceeds go to the Ali Tyler Memorial Scholarship Fund. Decals are also available at Hansford County Floral Company on Main Street in Spearman.

Help Available for Breast Cancer Survivors

Any woman who has had breast cancer surgery and cannot afford undergarments and prosthetics can get help from the American Cancer Society through a grant from Susan G. Komen for the Cure®. The Amarillo Area Breast Prosthesis and Lymphedema Accessory Program will provide financial help to women in need of breast forms or prostheses, mastectomy bras and accessories to help with lymphedema, which is swelling of the arm caused by a build-up of lymph fluid. For more information, call the American Cancer Society office in Amarillo at (806) 353-4307 or 1-877-227-2345.

Friendship Quilter Quilt Guild

The Friendship Quilter Quilt Guild of Perryton, Texas would like to invite you to their meetings. The Day Guild meets the 2nd Wednesdays of each month at 9 a.m. in the Community Worship Center, 2210 SW 15th, Perryton. The Night Guild meets the 2nd Tuesday of each month at 6 p.m. in the Community Worship Center, 2210 SW 15th, Perryton. Annual dues are \$15. (To receive only the newsletter \$7.50/yr.) Visitors are welcome. For more information, contact Cynthia Shattles at 806-435-2765 or Marilyn Robins at 806-624-2691.

Fire Department Donations

Persons wishing to make donations to the Fire Departments in Hansford County may do so at the following addresses: Spearman Fire Dept., Box 37, Spearman TX 79081; Gruver Fire Dept., Box 947, Gruver TX 79040 or Morse Fire Dept., Box 28, Morse TX 79062.

Take Off Pounds Sensibly

Take Off Pounds Sensibly meets on Tuesday mornings at 8:30 a.m. at the First Christian Church in Gruver. For more information, contact Marilyn Been at 806-733-2087.

SPWA Seeks Volunteers

The Southwest Pioneer Windmill Association is seeking the next generation of volunteers to continue the work of restoring and maintaining the windmills of the SPWA. If you have an interest in windmills and their upkeep, and/or maintenance of the park, you are needed. For information, call Dwayne Mitchell, 270-0291 or Don Reed 330-0745.

Timeless Treasures Quilt Guild

The Timeless Treasures Quilt Guild of Guymon, Oklahoma meets four times a year -- the last Saturday in the months of January, April, July and October. Registration begins at 9:30 a.m. in the First Christian Church Disciple Center located at 9th & Quinn streets. The meeting starts at 10 a.m. Members bring a carry-in luncheon, which is served at noon. The afternoon program begins at 1 p.m. Programs include trunk shows, demonstrations, workshops, door prizes and much more.

O'Loughlin Center Hours

The O'Loughlin Center is open for the following hours: Monday-Thursday, 6:00 a.m.-8:00 p.m.; Friday, 6:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m.; and Saturday, 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. (noon). For more information, contact The O'Loughlin Center, 502 S. Brandt, PO Box 733, Spearman TX 79081. (806-659-3030)

Perryton Parkinson's Disease Support Group

The Perryton Parkinson's Disease Support Group meets the 2nd Friday of each month at 12 noon in the Perryton Mennonite Church, 2821 S. Ash. The next meeting will be October 9th. Anyone interested is invited to attend.

Hansford County 4H Livestock Judging Team Wins District

The District 1 livestock judging contest was held Friday April 20 at West Texas A&M University. Hansford County had six students competing in the senior division. They were Travis Stedje, Callie Stedje, Jennifer Crowl, Audrey Lieb, Jaci Burgin, and Rayel Anderson.

The individual and team results for each separate division are as follows:

Cattle-Travis-2nd, Callie-4th, Jennifer-5th, and the team placed 1st.

Sheep & Goats-Callie-2nd, Travis-4th, Jaci-6th, Audrey-7th, Jennifer-11th, and the team was 2nd.

Swine-Travis-1st, Audrey-3rd, Jaci-4th, Callie-10th, and the team placed 1st.

Reasons-Travis-1st, Callie-2nd, Jaci-6th, Audrey-8th, Jennifer-11th, Rayel-16th, and the team placed 1st.

Overall-Travis-1st, Callie-2nd, Jennifer-9th, Jaci-10th, Audrey-11th, and the team placed 1st.

The senior team advances to the State 4H Contest to be held June 13th in Lubbock.

The junior division consisted of 142 individuals representing 38 teams. Hansford County took 12 juniors - Jonathon Crowl, Kaycee Anderson, Maggie Pipkin, Carter Burgin, Tyler Stedje, Jade Red, Tate Tyler, Dustyn Kelley, Kaitlyn Stedje, Reed Anderson, Saxie Ralston, and Ansley Red.

Highlights follow:

Cattle-Jonathon-2nd, Maggie-15th, Kaycee-27th, and the team placed 3rd.

Sheep & Goats-Jonathon-7th, Tyler-8th, Maggie-14th, and the team placed 3rd.

Swine-Jonathon-7th, Kaitlyn-13th, Tyler-23rd, and the team placed 15th.

Overall-Jonathon-1st, Kaycee-34th, Tyler-35th, and the team placed 6th.

The Hansford County Nick Slough, and County livestock judging team is Extension Agent Burt coached by Bret Burgin, Williams.



Hansford County Senior Division 4H Judging Team: (Back, L-R) Nick Slough, Hansford County Extension Agent Burt Williams, Travis Stedje, Callie Stedje, Jennifer Crowl, Audrey Lieb, Bret Burgin; (Front, L-R) Jaci Burgin, and Rayel Anderson.



Hansford County Junior Division 4H Judging Team: Jonathon Crowl, Kaycee Anderson, Maggie Pipkin, Carter Burgin, Tyler Stedje, Jade Red, Tate Tyler, Dustyn Kelley, Kaitlyn Stedje, Reed Anderson, Saxie Ralston, and Ansley Red

You are invited to a **Bridal Shower** honoring **Erika Offer** bride-elect of Ryan Ramon on Saturday, May 12, 2012 from 10-11:30 a.m. in the home of Gina Gillispie 822 S. Barkley Spearman, Texas Selections at Gordons Drug, Target and Bed, Bath & Beyond

You are invited to a **Wedding Shower** honoring **Clara Kern** bride-elect of Caleb Smith on Saturday, June 2, 2012 from 10-11 a.m. in the home of Terri Harper 719 Gibner Dr. Spearman, Texas Selections at Gordons Drug, Target and Bed, Bath & Beyond

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Deadline Extended for Texas Family Land Heritage Applications

Agriculture Commissioner Todd Staples extended the deadline for families to apply for the Texas Department of Agriculture's Family Land Heritage (FLH) Program. The program recognizes family farms and ranches that have been in continuous agricultural production by the same family for at least 100 years. Applications are now due June 1, 2012.

This year's Family Land Heritage ceremony will be held in the fall at the Texas Capitol in Austin and will recognize farms and ranches established in 1912 or earlier.

Eligible farms and ranches must still be owned and operated by the descendants of the founder, either through blood, marriage or adoption. At least 10 acres of the land must be in continuous agricultural production for the past 100 years or more. There is no cost to apply for the recognition.

To date, TDA has recognized more than 4,500 properties in 237 counties

across Texas. Fayette County, with 151 family operations honored, has been recognized more than any other county since the FLH program began.

Applications for the 2012 Family Land Heritage recognition are available for download at www.TexasAgriculture.gov by clicking Family Land Heritage under the I Need To... section. For more information, you also can e-mail Lance.Williams@Texas-Agriculture.gov.

UIL Golf State Championships Held

The 1A and 2A UIL Golf State Championships were held in Austin on May 2nd and 4th, 2012.

The Gruver Lady Hound Golf Team competed in the 1A Tournament, placing 3rd with a score of 400-395=795.

Alex Logsdon led the Gruver Lady Hounds with a score of 94-91=185, followed by Hali Mans (90-97=187), Maggi Key (108-99=207), Madi Teal (108-108=216) and Greyson Karlin (117-117=234)

Malory Martin represented the Spearman Lynxettes. She finished in 17th place with a score of 85-89=174.

Gruver Lady Hounds A Class Act

On Saturday, May 5th, the Memphis High Schools Girls Golf team returned home around 5 p.m. after having won 1st place in the Texas Class 1A Girls State Golf Tournament. After a few minutes of meeting and greeting their fans and classmates, another vehicle pulled into the golf course parking lot. The ladies who were in the car were the 3rd place winners of the Class 1A Girls Texas State Golf Tournament - and they were the Gruver Lady Hounds.

What a "Class Act" for those young ladies and their coach to take time to stop by and visit with the Memphis Team and their supporters! We know they were tired and more than ready to get to Gruver, but they took the time to exhibit true sportsmanship and demonstrate the importance of communities and their schools working with each other and "for each other!"

Thanks, Lady Hounds!!!!

2012 Heritage Days Skate Competition

The 2012 Hansford County Heritage Days Skate Competition will be held on May 19th, beginning at 1 p.m. (sign-up begins around 12:45 p.m.). The entry fee is \$5. Prizes of cash, decks, wheels, trucks, bearings and T-shirts will be awarded. The competition is sponsored by The SkatePark FundHouse, Inc. and The SportZone.

Skaters will be divided into their specific ability and age groups. Highest cumulative score of 2 runs and jam session will win their divisions contest. Participant will have 1min 30secs to shred for each run. The \$5 entry fee will enable the skater to participate in any part of the event.



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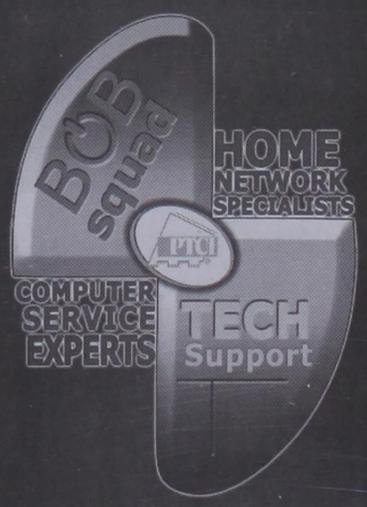
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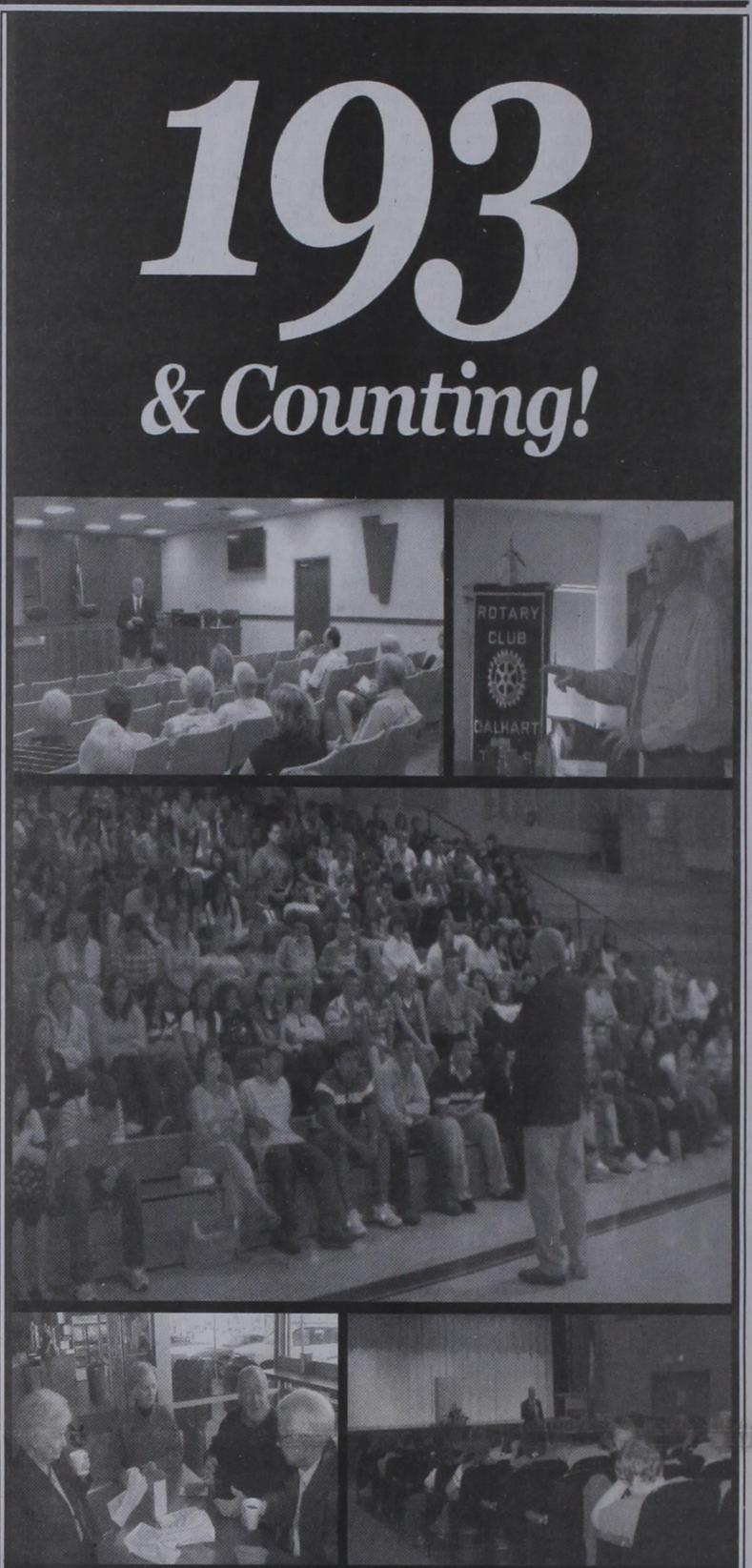
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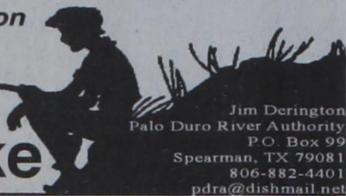
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Yucca in bloom near Lake Palo Duro.

May 8, 2012 - Lake Palo Duro level - 30.42 feet

May starts the busy season, at Lake Palo Duro. Those who come this year, will find it much more enjoyable. The grass is green, campfires and cookouts are allowed, and we have a little more water.

The wildflowers have really been colorful but declining in last week's extreme heat. The yuccas are blooming everywhere. Deer and cattle like to eat the blooms. I assisted my wife Mandy over the weekend, by driving a group of

students to an academic contest, in Belton. I noticed that yucca blooms from here to about Wheeler, grow near the stem, all the way up. South of there, the blooms are near the top of the stem, and form a "bouquet".

A camper on the south side of the lake, while enjoying his morning coffee Friday, was watching the deer with binoculars. The deer left and he noticed something else. When it crossed a caliche road, he was able to see a cat with a long tail. This could be a mountain lion or cougar.

The swallows are back at the intake structure on Horse Creek. They are busy birds. They are supposed to eat mosquitoes, though I know they miss some.

I have not heard of many fish being caught, since the lake came up. Maybe I'm just missing the good reports. Bass, crappie, and catfish have been caught, however.

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For change of use (the Appraisal District informed you that you are losing agricultural appraisal because you changed the use of your land), the deadline is before the 30th day after the notice of the determination was mailed to you.

For ARB changes (the ARB has informed you of a change that increases your tax liability and the change did not result from a protest you filed), the deadline is before the 30th day after the notice of the determination was mailed to you.

If you believe the Appraisal District or ARB should have sent you a notice and did not, you may file a protest until the day before the taxes become delinquent (usually February 1). The ARB decides if it will hear your case based on evidence about whether a required notice was mailed to you.

*The deadline is postponed to the next business day if it falls on a weekend or holiday.

REVIEW BY THE DISTRICT COURT OR AN ARBITRATOR: After it decides your case, the ARB must send you a copy of its order by certified mail. If you are not satisfied with the decision, you have the right to appeal. If you choose to go to court, you must start the process by filing a petition within 45 days of the date you receive the ARB's order. As an alternative and within the same time period, you may file a request for binding arbitration with the county appraisal district in certain cases.

TAX PAYMENT: You must pay either the amount of taxes due on the portion of the taxable value not in dispute or the amount of taxes due on the property under the order from which the appeal is taken.

MORE INFORMATION: You can get more information by contacting the Hansford County Appraisal District at (806) 659-5575 or 709 W 7th Ave, Spearman, TX 79081-3407. You can also get a pamphlet describing how to prepare a protest from the Appraisal District or from the State Comptroller's Property Tax Division, PO Box 13528, Austin, TX 78711-3528.

DEADLINE FOR FILING A PROTEST WITH THE APPRAISAL REVIEW BOARD*

USUAL DEADLINE:
Thirty (30) days after a notice of appraised value was mailed to you.

Late protests are allowed if you miss the usual deadline for good cause. Good cause is some reason beyond your control, like a medical emergency. The ARB decides whether you have good cause.

Late protests are due the day before the Appraisal Review Board approves the records for the year. Contact your Appraisal District for more information.

The ARB is an independent board of citizens that reviews problems with appraisals or other concerns listed above. It has the power to order the appraisal district to make the necessary changes to solve problems. If you file a written request for an ARB hearing (called a notice of protest) before the deadline, the ARB will set your case for a hearing. You will receive written notice of the time, date and place of the hearing. If necessary, you may request a hearing in the evening. Prior to your hearing, you may ask to review the evidence the appraisal district will use to uphold their determination. The appraisal district may ask you for a copy of the evidence you plan to present. The hearing will be informal. You or a designated agent may appear in person to present evidence or you may send notarized evidence for the ARB to review at your hearing. The appraisal district representative will present evidence about your case. You may cross-examine the appraisal district representative. The ARB will make its decision based on the evidence presented. The appraisal district has the burden of establishing the property's value by a preponderance of the evidence presented. You can get a copy of a protest form from the Appraisal District office at 709 W 7th Ave Spearman, Texas 79081.

NOTE: You should not try to contact ARB members outside of the hearing. The law requires the ARB members to sign an affidavit saying they have not talked about your case before the ARB hears it.

The law gives property owners the right to protest actions concerning their property tax appraisals. You may follow these appeal procedures if you have a concern about:

- the market or appraised value of your Property
- the unequal appraisal of your property
- the inclusion of your property on the appraisal roll
- any exemptions that may apply to you
- the qualification for an agricultural or timber appraisal
- the taxable status of your property
- the local governments which should be taxing your property
- the ownership of property
- the change of use of land receiving special appraisal
- any action taken by the chief appraiser, appraisal district or appraisal review board that adversely affects you

INFORMAL REVIEW: If you wish to have an informal review of your property with our staff, please come to our office in Spearman M-F: 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. except holidays.

REVIEW BY THE APPRAISAL REVIEW BOARD: If you cannot resolve your problem informally with the appraisal district staff, you may have your case heard by the appraisal review board (ARB).

Please join the Hansford County Hospital District Board of Directors, Medical Staff Employees, Patients and Residents of Hansford County Hospital District in Expressing Admiration and Appreciation to our Nurses on the Occasion of

NATIONAL NURSES WEEK

May 6 - 12, 2012

Hansford Manor, Hansford Hospital, Home Health, Hospice & Clinics

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