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## Some Pockets of Dryland Crops Survive the Drought

By: Robert Burns

Though most dryland crops have failed due to the drought, there were scattered pockets of production, according to a Texas AgriLife Extension Service expert.

"There will be some dryland crops harvested in Texas," said Dr. Travis Miller, AgriLife Extension program leader and associate department head of the Texas A&M University soil and crop sciences department, College Station. "The best areas are going to be from Corpus (Christi) north to Victoria and along the coast a little ways; and then from Hill County north and east."

Miller predicted cotton yields in the area from Corpus Christi to Victoria will be in the 350- to 400-pound-per-acre range. Sorghum yields were reported as being in the 3,000- to 3,700-pound range, while corn yields were about 35- to 40-bushels per acre.

But the situation varied widely not just from one region to another, but county to county, he said.

"If you get a little farther north, say to Matagorda County, they just missed those rains, and there's some 25- to 30-bushel corn," Miller said. "Then Hill County and to the north had some pretty good rains. I think there was some 75-bushel corn, and I believe there will be 3,800- to 4,000-pound sorghum. With the current price scenario, they can probably do a little better than break even on that."

But for most of the state, the dryland situation was just plain dismal, he said. From Uvalde (South Central Texas) north to Spearman (the upper Panhandle), nearly all dryland crops have failed, he said. There is not going to be much of anything harvested on dryland fields in the southwest Texas area, the Edwards Plateau, the Rolling Plains and the High Plains.

It almost looks desert-like, he said. "You can't even tell they planted anything," Miller said.

More information on the current Texas drought and wildfire alerts can be found on the AgriLife Extension Agricultural Drought Task Force website at <http://agrilife.tamu.edu/drought/>.

### Texas Crop & Weather

The following specific livestock, crop and weather conditions were reported by Panhandle Extension directors: THot, dry and windy weather continued. A few southeastern counties received some moisture in isolated areas, but accumulations weren't significant. Soil-moisture levels in most counties were very poor. Water-demand by crops was very high, and irrigators continued to divert water to other crops and fewer acres. Corn was in poor to very poor condition. Mite populations in corn were rising because of the hot, windy conditions. Cotton was in poor to very poor condition in most counties. Rangeland and pastures further declined. Reduction of herds by producers was ongoing.

### Weather Forecast

THURSDAY - Mostly cloudy with a 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Highs around 104. South winds 10 to 15 mph.

THURSDAY NIGHT - Partly cloudy in the evening then becoming mostly cloudy. A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Lows in the lower 70s. South winds 5 to 10 mph.

FRIDAY - Mostly cloudy with a 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Highs around 100.

FRIDAY NIGHT - Mostly cloudy with a 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Lows around 70.

SATURDAY - Partly cloudy. Highs around 101.

SATURDAY NIGHT - Partly cloudy. Lows around 70.

SUNDAY - Partly cloudy. Highs around 102.

SUNDAY NIGHT - Partly cloudy. Lows in the lower 70s.

MONDAY - Partly cloudy. Highs around 101.

MONDAY NIGHT - Partly cloudy. Lows in the lower 70s.

TUESDAY - Partly cloudy. Highs around 101.

Read <http://www.city-data.com/forecast/w-Spearman-Texas.html#ixzz0xgJ5WQKT>

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## Radio Auction Successful

The 2011 Radio Auction which was held on July 16th raised over \$16,150 (11% increase over 2010) to support the programs and activities of the Golden Spread Senior Citizen's Center.

The 2011 Radio Auction was held in memory of Carl M. & Peggy Archer for their lifelong commitment and generous support of the Golden Spread Senior Citizen's Center. Their volunteerism, philanthropy and passion for the community are deeply missed, not only by the Golden Spread Center but the entire Hansford community. The strong support of the auction provided by the community was a fitting tribute to the Archer's memory and their generosity.

A special thanks goes out to 98.3 KXDJ for providing airtime, PTCI for providing the telephone lines, High Plains Observer and the Hansford Reporter Statesman for providing the media coverage for the event. In addition, we could not have enjoyed such great success without Missie Bates, Jackie Pearson and Brandon Wright providing their great run down of the items during the day. Additional thanks to our many generous merchants, donors, and volunteers that helped support the event.



Jackie Pearson (right) presents a plaque to Mary Dixon (left) and Carla Johnson (center) in memory of their parents, Carl M. and Peggy Archer. The plaque commemorates them for their support of the Golden Spread Senior Center.

## Willy Lopez Memorial 5K Run Held



Over 150 people participated in the Willy Lopez Memorial 5K in Perryton on Saturday, July 23, 2011. (Photo by Beckee Baker)

On Saturday, July 23rd, over 150 people gathered at the Perryton High School parking lot to celebrate a young man's life and raise money for a good cause. The Willy Lopez Memorial 5K drew over 100 runners, walkers and bikers all ready to "Shut Up and Run." The crowd donned bright orange or funky tie-dyed t-shirts for the race which began by the swimming pool and finished at the Ranger Football Field.

The first runner to cross the line was Fabian Mercado with his brother Jovanny Mercado close behind in second. Octavio Palma rounded out the top three places. Tylo Farrar finished as the first overall female runner. Florentino and Kimberley Lopez handed everyone custom designed Willy Lopez Medals at the finish line while receiving "sweaty" hugs! Bright orange bracelets were sold for \$2.00 with the race logo printed on them (these bracelets

are still for sale). Ms. Beckee Baker donated her time and camera for many, many pictures of the event. Anyone may go online to [bbsparrowphoto.com](http://bbsparrowphoto.com), use the password [willylopez5k](http://willylopez5k.com) and order pictures from the event. All proceeds from the pictures will benefit the Willy Lopez Memorial Scholarship. After enjoying cookies, drinks and visiting, the crowd was excited to hear the announcement that \$4,000 was raised for the scholarship! It was an amazing, emotional morning that will benefit many students at PHS who meet the qualifications of this special scholarship. Thank you to all who blocked off streets, made cookies, took money, sorted shirts, ran, walked, biked, pushed strollers and cried a few tears! For bracelet or picture information, you may contact Allan or Debbie Herbert at (806) 435-3453.

## Hansford County Circle of Friends to Host Membership Party

The Hansford County Circle of Friends will host a membership party in support of The Don & Sybil Harrington Cancer Center on August 20, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. The party will be held at the O'Loughlin Center at 502 South Brandt in Spearman, Texas. The cost is \$20/single and \$35/couple. The party will feature a catered dinner by Richard & Wanda Wagner. There will also be a raffle, silent and live auction featuring some great items donated from Hansford County residents and businesses and surrounding community supporters.

The Circle of Friends is a non-profit organization dedicated to helping cancer patients and their families in times of need. Through its affiliation with Harrington Cancer Center, the Circle of Friends develops and implements fund raising activities to provide financial assistance and patient care and support programs for those affected by cancer. The Circle of Friends also works with Harrington Cancer Center to provide cancer educational opportunities for people throughout the region. Examples of Circle of Friends support of Harrington Cancer Center patients includes:

- Two furnished apartments for out-of-town patients to use when going through treatment
- Pediatric Patient/Family Gatherings (a day at Wonderland Park, Camp Alphia)
- Supplies for weekly support groups
- Materials for chemotherapy classes, new patient books
- Refreshments for patients during treatment
- Assistance with patients' travel, insurance premiums, rent or mortgage payments, medication, nutritional supplements, utilities and breast prosthesis

For more information on the Hansford County Circle of Friends or if you are interested in attending and/or volunteering to help with the event please contact Holly McLain (806) 733-2268.



## Pampa Social Security Office to Begin Closing at 3:30 p.m.

Effective August 15, 2011, the Pampa Social Security office will be open to the public Monday through Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. – a reduction of 30 minutes each weekday.

While agency employees will continue to work their regular hours, this shorter public window will allow them to complete face-to-face service with the visiting public without incurring the cost of overtime. Congress provided Social Security with nearly \$1 billion less than the President requested for the budget this fiscal year, which makes it impossible for the agency to provide the amount of overtime needed to handle service to the public as we have in the past.

Most Social Security services do not require a visit to an office. For example, anyone wishing to apply for benefits, sign up for direct deposit, replace a Medicare card, obtain a proof of income letter or inform us of a change of address or telephone number may do so at [www.socialsecurity.gov](http://www.socialsecurity.gov) or by dialing our toll-free number, 1-800-772-1213. People who are deaf or hard of hearing may call our TTY number, 1-800-325-0778.

## by GasBuddy.com TexasGasPrices.com Weekly Update

Texas, July 25- Average retail gasoline prices in Texas have risen 2.6 cents per gallon in the past week, averaging \$3.60/g yesterday. This compares with the national average that has increased 2.0 cents per gallon in the last week to \$3.69/g, according to gasoline price website TexasGasPrices.com.

Including the change in gas prices in Texas during the past week, prices yesterday were \$1.05/g higher than the same day one year ago and are 13.7 cents per gallon higher than a month ago. The national average has increased 9.9 cents per gallon during the last month and stands 94.4 cents per gallon higher than this day one year ago.

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](http://facebook.com/gasbuddy)) Twitter ([twitter.com/gasbuddy](http://twitter.com/gasbuddy)), and phone apps to keep motorists ahead of changing gasoline prices.



# Happy Birthday!

**July 27**  
**Birthday** - Tracy Bevell, Misty Kauffman, Bobby Don Smith, Nancy McIntyre, Kay Beeson, Bob Dennis, Frank Salgado Jr., Olivia Renteria, Michael Wayne Ross, Carl Kizzar, Donny McMahan, Josh Lackey, Robin Capps, Ashley Swan, Ryan Phillips, Able Eaton, Valerie Burnum  
**Anniversary** - Bos & Sis Staton, Keith & Jodie Hight, Ed & Tanja Whitefield, Ronald & Elaine Swan, M/M Owen Montgomery, M/M Sonny Patterson, Tom & Beth Dortch, M/M Lonnie Clermons

**July 28**  
**Birthday** - Letecia Favela, Holly Hart, Jordan Hicks, Wendy Rodriguez, Ray Gibson, Jo Garcia Jr., Lee Shaver, Marlane Taylor, Maria Ochoa, Reagan Karlin, Wendy Rodriguez, Patsy Reddin, Verlin Winegarner  
**Anniversary** - Harry & Hazel Stumph, M/M Alfred Bayless, M/M Ted Vela

**July 29**  
**Birthday** - Macee Casdorff, Rex Ralston, Brent Stedje, Scott Stedje, Martin Ochoa Jr., Kammy Goodheart, Robert Graham, Christi Close, Tracy Wilson, Kenny Red, Carol Rushing, Valerie Shields, Aaron Witten, Tanner Hand, Kristi Ramon, Jessica Montgomery, Richard Trantham, LoRee Booth, Mae Wofford, Dallas Trosper, Marlee Castillo, Tracy Burk, Pete Vera IV  
**Anniversary** - M/M Jack Sparks, Teddy & Mary Lou Vela, Betty & Ron Dunaway, Mr. and Mrs. Elmo Dahl, Richey & Karen Thompson

**July 30**  
**Birthday** - John Reed, Pat Tucker, Jim Nicholson, Lynn Ann Sanders, Ronda Cook, Pamela Cates, Sandra Cummings, Kara Pipkin, Raquel Saldivar, Alec Cenicerros, Alice Cook, Katie Gibson, Johnny Bennett, Joanne Graves  
**Anniversary** - M/M Davin Winger, M/M Hoyle Holliday

**July 31**  
**Birthday** - Mary Ruth Connelly, Bonnie Jones, Kathy Vanlandingham, Danna Close, Sherry Brand, Jessie Burke, Jody Harnish, Hector Nava, Mike Slater, Ronnie Lusby, Cary Collier, Cecil Biggers, Jennifer Marrs, Cody Reynolds, Nancy Garcia  
**Anniversary** - Doug &

Shannon Barnes, Jason & Amber TeBeest

**August 1**  
**Birthday** - Lisa Link, Kyle Irwin, Frankie Leatherman, Annie Mayhew, Gyene Spivey, Benjamin Williams, Johnnie Williams, Ronnie Williams, Tommy Lovett, Jo Brown, Leann Swan, Yvonda Stokes, Anita Clemmons, Kevin Kirk, Rob Barber, Kelli McWhirter, David Swan, Jim Scarborough, Kiki West, Hershey Martin, Joyce Crooks, Alfonso Cenicerros, Larry Trosper, Patricia Quillin, Gabriel Lopez, Sara Wright, Chance Swan  
**Anniversary** - M/M Mike Minter, M/M Tommy Cathey, Jr.

**August 2**  
**Birthday** - Eadie Clemmons, Mary Brock, Frosty Hickerson, Dirk Umphress, Colby Griffin, Earl Griffin, Daniel Bort, Yuki Bort, Misty Vera, Roland Graeber, Neely Hicks, Ryan Wells, Hanna Bates  
**Anniversary** - M/M Billy Kelly, M/M Larry Hays, M/M Dan Ralston

**August 3**  
**Birthday** - Clay Gillispie, Tyson Sparks, Mary Wisinger, Laurie Swenn, Kent Guthrie, Kenneth Coates, Olivia Salgado, Sam Abston, Dibrell Kirk, Racheal Garza, Tencha Cazares, Olivia DeSantiago, Maxine Little  
**Anniversary** - M/M Don Schroder, M/M Shane Reagan

**August 4**  
**Birthday** - Jim Derington, Marjorie Hendricks, Penny Gammill, Mrs. Dick Kilgore, Cindy McGhee, Jeanetta Montgomery, Billy Joe Rhea, Mike Riley, V.L. Williamson, Nikki Swenn, Misty Pointer, Shelly Rook, Ramon Rosales, Renee Allen, Joe Allen Bullard, Bond Grace Pittman, Lee Blevins, Lane Salmans, Rachel Abernathy, Ronnie Cogdill, Karen Hartgraves  
**Anniversary** - M/M Joe Vanderburg, M/M Joe Bravo, M/M E.A. Williams, M/M Ronnie E. Williams

**August 5**  
**Birthday** - Chase Reagan, Beth Ann Holt, Tina Adams, Billy Miller, Shirley Stafford, Erin Boxwell, Stephen Poole, Emidia Borunda, Paul Winn, Maria A. Parra, Susan Renick, Rodney Sumner  
**Anniversary** - M/M J Garnett, M/M Roy Flowers, M/M Samuel Sanchez, Danny & Debby Herrington

# Our Sympathy

## DONALD MAX PIATT

PERRYTON - Donald Max Piatt, 79, died Tuesday, July 19, 2011.

No services are scheduled at this time. Arrangements are by Boxwell Brothers Funeral Home of Perryton.

Mr. Piatt was born Dec. 10, 1931, in Skellytown. He was a lifelong area resident. He married Georgia Lee Holtzclaw in Oklahoma. She preceded him in death on Jan. 21, 2005.

Don graduated from White Deer High School in 1950. He served in the Korean War as a staff sergeant in the advanced communications detachment.

Upon return from Korea, Don went to work for Santa Fe Railroad for 12 years, El Paso Natural Gas Co., and Texas Water Development Board in Alpine. Don worked for the North Plains Water District as a field engineer from 1970 to 1997, and was president of The Professional Agriculture Workers Association of Texas. He designed and implemented a water depletion program for the Internal Revenue Service.

While working at North Plains Water District, Don had a great love of the Colorado mountains, and photography, and was a very talented artist. He was a member of the North Plains Radio Control Association, where he was referred to as "Pappy."

He was preceded in death by his parents, Forest and Bessie Piatt; and his wife, Georgia Piatt. Survivors include two daughters, Tish Crouch and Leslie and husband Joe Paul, all of Perryton; a son, Jeff Piatt and wife Delinda Piatt of Dumas; and a brother, George Piatt of Paradise, Newfoundland; 11 grandchildren; and 11 great-grandchildren.

## HOLLIS POSEY

AMARILLO - Hollis Posey, 43, of Amarillo, died Friday, July 22, 2011.

A memorial service was at 4:00 p.m. Wednesday in Boxwell Brothers Ivy Chapel, 2800 Paramount Blvd with Mark Murray, pastor of Union Church in Spearman, Texas officiating.

Mr. Posey was born on September 30, 1967 in Amarillo, Texas to Sue and Gary Posey. He owned and operated Quality Painting.

He is survived by his girlfriend, Angia King, of the home; his father, Gary Posey; one son, Driftn Roberts; two daughters, Jourmie Smith and Stormi Posey, all of Amarillo; five brothers, Bryan Posey of Magnolia, TX; Gary Posey; Andy Posey; Larry Posey and Jerry Posey; and two sisters, Robin Posey and Rhonda Posey, all of Amarillo.

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## SAM BASS

AMARILLO - Sam Bass, 78, of Amarillo, died Saturday, July 23, 2011.

Memorial services were at 2 p.m. Tuesday in First Christian Church in Dumas with Darrell Wait officiating. Private burial was in Dumas Cemetery. Arrangements are by Boxwell Brothers Funeral Directors, 2800 Paramount Blvd.

Mr. Bass was born Sept. 19, 1932, in Beaver County, Okla., to Bertha and Marion Bass. He graduated from Felt High School and joined the U.S. Army. After discharging from the Army, he married Betty Gove on Feb. 18, 1956, in Clayton, N.M. He moved to Dumas in 1957, and worked for Southwestern Public Service for 38 years until retiring.

Betty and Sam traveled the United States. He loved spending time with his family and grandkids. Sam loved the outdoors, fishing and camping. He enjoyed talking to people, nobody was a stranger.

He was preceded in death by his parents; and a brother, Walter Bass.

He is survived by his wife, Betty of Amarillo; a daughter, Deborah Hammit and husband Gary of Fritch; a son, Jerry Bass and wife Marjorie of San Antonio; three grandsons, Wheeler Hammit and wife Heather of Spearman, Seth Hammit and wife Jacey of Spearman and Justin Bass of San Antonio; two great-grandchildren, Brayson Hammit and Brancey Hammit, both of Spearman; three brothers, Leroy Bass and wife Mary Jo of Felt, Okla., Dale Bass and wife Joann of Albuquerque, N.M., and Herb Bass of Farmington, N.M.; three sisters, Norma Vann of California, Gladys Ottinger of Boise City, Okla., and Doris Smith and husband Paul of Fayetteville, Arkansas.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests memorials be to favorite charity.

Sign the online guest book at [www.boxwellbrothers.com](http://www.boxwellbrothers.com).

## PAULA FERN "RUSTY" KIZZIAR

GRUVER - Paula Fern "Rusty" Kizziar, 77, died on Monday, July 25, 2011.

Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. on Thursday, July 28, 2011 at the Gruver United Methodist Church with Rev. Brad Reeves officiating. Interment will be in Gruver Cemetery under the direction of Boxwell Brothers Funeral Home of Spearman.

Rusty was born on January 19, 1934 in Spearman, and was a lifelong resident of Hansford County.

She married Odis "Corky" Kizziar on November 17, 1949 in Clayton, NM.

She was a member of the United Methodist Church of Gruver where she taught Sunday School and Vacation Bible School. She was an awesome wife, mother, grandmother, friend and homemaker. Paula's devout faith in Jesus Christ has provided her with a unique ability to guide her family and friends by sharing words of wisdom, prayers and her own life experiences. It is through her willingness to follow the Lord that hearts were touched and lives were changed.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Elmer and Tots Bennett; a brother and sister-in-law, Johnny and Waynette Bennett; a daughter-in-law, Sandra Kizziar; and a granddaughter, Mikka Lamberson.

She is survived by her husband, Odis "Corky" Kizziar of Gruver; two sons, Bo and Carol Kizziar of Amarillo and Terry and Sandy Kizziar of Gruver; two daughters, Lana and Mike O'Hair of Channing and Carla Jones of Gruver; a sister, Merrilee Hughes of Midlothian; 10 grandchildren, Charlie and wife Shiloh, Anissa and husband Scott, Clay, Shannon and wife Andrea, Jocelyne, Dustin and wife Tisha, Cody and wife Jenny, Whitney, Monty, and Mason; 22 great-grandchildren, Michael, Erik, Chesney, Ashlee, Paige, Jacey, Hadley, Asa, Taylor, Corbin, Coty, Dawson, Zak, Justin, Colton, Hannity, Jada, Trey, Madison, Tyler, Logan and Layton; two nephews; one niece; and a special daughter and grandchildren Haydee Azarte, Jose and Diana, and Austin Moreno; and many other special family and friends.

The family requests memorials be to City Church of Amarillo, 205 N. Polk, Amarillo TX; Ochiltree Hospice Volunteers, 3101 Garrett, Perryton TX 79070; or United Methodist Church, 506 Broadway, Gruver TX 79040.

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FOR YOUR INFORMATION

**Medical Fund Established At FNB for Dynell Moore**  
Shawn and Dynell Moore, children of Johnny and Brenda Vera and Terry Moore of Spearman, have recently relocated their family to the Dallas-Fort Worth area. In March, Dynell was diagnosed with stomach cancer. She will be receiving treatments at MD Anderson in Houston and Baylor Medical Center in Fort Worth. After the birth of their second child, three tumors were discovered, two of which contained malignant cells. The tumors were safely removed at Mary Washington Hospital in Fredericksburg, VA. At which time, Dynell began oral oncology treatment to keep the cancer from spreading. The Moore's made the decision after consulting with their physician to continue an aggressive treatment program at MD Anderson Cancer Center in Houston as well as their sister facility in Fort Worth. There has been a Medical Fund established for the Moore family at First National Bank in Spearman to aid in treatment expenses. The Moore's feel extremely blessed with the early diagnoses of Dynell's condition and the support they have received from family and friends.

**Farmers Market in Spearman Each Wednesday**  
Spearman has its own Farmers' Market on Wednesdays from 7 a.m.-noon in the old Celebrate building, 203 Main. Growers are welcome to sell their produce. Call Linda Venneman at 806-882-4635 if you are interested in being vendor.

**Timeless Treasures Quilt Guild**  
Timeless Treasures Guild will be meeting on Saturday July 30, 2011 at the Christian Disciple Center at 9th and Quinn in Guyton OK at 9:30. Program starts at 10:00. Carol Miles from Tribune, Kansas is teaching a class on the 7" Log Cabin Twist. All you need to participate in this afternoon class are the usual sewing supplies and \$10. Call Debbie Walker for info about the class at 580-338-5137. New members are welcome. Bring a friend. Bring a salad for the noon luncheon.

**Wheatheart Wheat Conference**  
Texas AgriLife Extension Service is hosting the 13th annual Wheatheart Wheat Conference at 8 am Thursday August 4, 2011 at the Ochiltree County Expo Center for all area wheat producers. Those attending the event will hear educational topics related to insect management, disease management, weed management, variety selection, wheat market outlook and cattle market outlook. Registration is \$10 at the door and all registered participants will be eligible to win a \$300 card. Three CEU's will be offered to pesticide applicators and lunch will be provided. For more info, contact Ochiltree County Extension Agent Scott Strawn at 806-435-4501.

**SHS Cheerleaders Sponsor Camp August 2-4**  
The Spearman High School Cheerleaders will be sponsoring a Cheer Camp August 2nd-4th at the SHS cafeteria. Registration will be held from 8:30-9 a.m. on Tuesday, Aug 2. Camp will be held from 9-11:30 a.m., Tuesday and Wednesday, and 9 a.m.-12 noon on Thursday. The cost is \$10 per day, or \$25 for all three days. For more information, call Cindy, 330-0539.

**Wheatheart Wheat Conference set for Aug. 4 in Perryton**  
The Texas AgriLife Extension Service will host the 13th annual Wheatheart Wheat Conference from 8 a.m. - 3 p.m. Aug. 4 at the Ochiltree County Expo Center in Perryton. All wheat producers are invited to attend and hear educational discussions related to insect, disease and weed management, variety selection, and wheat and cattle market outlooks, said Scott Strawn, AgriLife Extension agent for Ochiltree County. Registration is \$10 at the door. Lunch will be provided and three Texas Department of Agriculture continuing education units - one general and two integrated pest management - will be offered to pesticide applicators. For more information, contact Strawn at 806-435-4501.

**Suzy Gayle & Mike in Concert**  
Suzy Gayle Ministries presents Suzy Gayle and Mike in concert at Spearman Union Church, 31 S. Endicott, Sunday, July 31st, at 11:00 during the morning worship service. Suzy has been named a Platinum Heart Female Vocalist of the Decade. She was also the recipient of the 2010 Eddy Cunningham Evangelism Award. Please come and join us for a good time of fellowship and music! For more information, call 659-2644.

**Gruver ISD Yearbooks Available**  
Yearbooks are in! They may be picked up Wednesday, July 27 from 6:00 - 7:00 in Room 110 of the High School. Extra yearbooks are available for \$50.

**Spearman Soccer Association Sign-ups August 5th**  
Spearman Soccer Association will hold sign-ups on Friday, August 5th from 5-8 p.m. for grades Pre-K thru 3rd in the Hungry Cowboy Meeting Room. For more information, contact Patricia Hernandez (338-0714 or phernandez@pts.net) or Abby Pipkin (659-9858).

**Live music Saturday at El Vaquero in Gruver**  
Brenda Hopkins and Murry Beasley (Oklahoma Cowboy and the Texas Lady) will be playing that good old country music Saturday night at the El Vaquero in Gruver from 5-30 p.m. Come join the food and fun!

**Panhandle Crisis Center Offering Computer Monitors**  
The Panhandle Crisis Center is offering free computer monitors and keyboards, while they last. All have been examined and deemed in working order. If you would like one, pick it up at the Crisis Center Resale Store on Hancock Street just off of Main Street in Spearman.

## Words from Faith & Grace



by Cecil R. Biggers, Lutheran Lay Minister

In the seventh week of Pentecost, we study Isaiah 55: 1-5, Psalm 145: 8-9, 14-21, Romans 9: 1-5, and Matthew 14: 13-21. We learn of God's utter faithfulness and the effect of God's Word on our lives.

Isaiah relates a call to the people to come and buy milk and wine without money and without price. Yet, he criticizes the people for spending their money on things that do not satisfy. What goes on here? God's grace has been given to his people. God provides them with all that they need to live, but they must act upon God's Word which has also been given to them. When we pursue our own paths and ways, we spend our lives, often on things that do not ultimately satisfy us. If we listen to God's Word, act upon it, then we are 'fed' with all that is necessary for us.

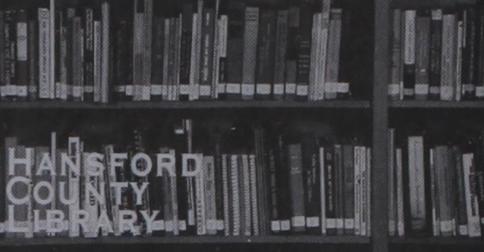
The Psalmist sings of the goodness of God. In this final Psalm of David, we hear of Yahweh's dominion and rule over his creation and Yahweh's nurture and care for all those who rely on him and his nurture and care for all creation. The psalm ends with a call for the individual, the community, and all to praise God for his steadfast love.

Paul, a Jew, trained as a rabbi, loved his people. Israel is loved of God. God gave to Israel the Torah, God's law, God's instruction for living. God gave to Israel the worship of the temple where a believer could experience the presence of God. God gave to Israel through Abraham, Isaac, Jacob covenants to be his people. God gave Israel the traditions passed down from generation to generation about the relationship of God to Israel. Yet, most of the people of Israel in Paul's day could not accept or believe in Jesus as the Christ, while the Gentiles eagerly accepted the teachings. Paul, like Moses, wishes that he could be accursed if it would lead the rest of his people to Jesus the Christ. The first century church was not anti-Semitic, it prayed for the ability to convert all of Israel.

Jesus teaches the disciples what it means to follow him, as we see the story of the feeding of the five thousand. Jesus had withdrawn to the less populated area of Galilee, but the crowds followed him. The crowd listened to his teachings and the hour grew late. The disciples were concerned for the crowd's needs and asked Jesus to send them home so they could get something to eat. Jesus asks the disciples to feed the people but they only had five loaves and two fish. Jesus prays, breaks the bread and tells the disciples to distribute the food. They do. Five thousand men and the accompanying women and children are fed. The disciples collected twelve baskets of broken pieces after the crowd was fed. We can view this a pure miracle; we can view this as a 'sacrament', everyone received a little something, but it was enough to sustain them; we can view this as a miracle of changing selfish people into sharing people. Each Jewish man of the period carried a small bag which would contain a little bread, a little cheese, perhaps a little dried fish, to sustain him on his work day. Perhaps the disciples' action in distributing their little bit of food prompted others to share. Regardless of how you view this event, it is a miracle. It teaches us that if we would live the disciple life then we must reveal Jesus the Christ to others in our everyday living.

May the Holy Spirit assure you of the steadfast love of God and enable you to reflect Jesus the Christ in your daily life.

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- Saylee Flowers & Ryan Renick
- Tabatha (Shields) & Matt Jones
- Dana Lewis & Cass Cooper
- Kendra Skarke & T Jay Sherrill
- Jenna McElroy & Chance Riggins
- Jenny McCloy & Clay Finley

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Baby Registry

- Baby Boy of Michelle & Jarick Howard - 8/14
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- Baby Boy of Jessica Bueno & Britt Fleetwood

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## QuickBooks Pro Courses Scheduled in Amarillo and Lubbock

Hansford County 4H competed June 15 at the State 4H livestock judging contest held on the campus of Texas A&M University in College Station.

For the first time in history, Hansford had two teams qualify for the competition. The first team finished a respectable albeit disappointing seventh. They were 3rd in swine and 7th in reasons. The team was led by Callie Stedje who was individually recognized for 7th in swine, 10th in reasons, and 20th overall. The team also got solid performances from seniors Brenna Reid, Jacob Lieb, and John Bergin.

The junior varsity team, made up entirely of Sophomores and Freshmen, placed 10th in sheep and 18th overall. They were led by Jace Lane who individually placed 14th in sheep and 25th overall. Rounding out the team was Jennifer Crawl, Travis Stedje, and Audrey Lieb.

This year's competition had 129 contestants representing 33 teams. Each

team had to qualify by placing in the top three in their respective districts.

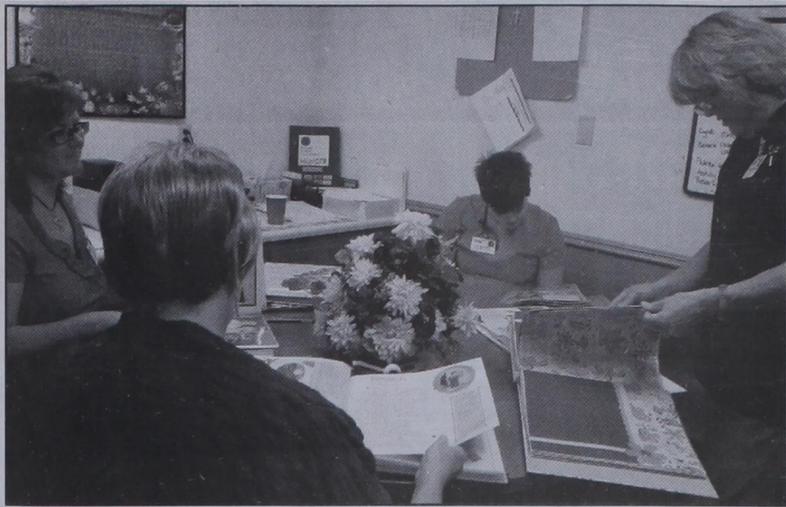
The team is coached by Bret Burgin and Burt Williams.



Hansford County 4-H Senior Livestock Judging Team



Hansford County 4-H JV Livestock Judging Team



Connie Werner, Celia Krug, Ashley Swan and Lelia Bynum look through Hospice scrap books during the 20th Anniversary celebration on July 19, 2011.

## Tammy Mitchell Named BBBS Volunteer of the Month

Big Brothers Big Sisters is excited to name Tammy Mitchell as our Volunteer of the Month for May. Tammy is matched with Little Sis, Luz. This pair meets each week to spend time together. Some of their favorite activities include playing the Wii and decorating cakes. Tammy volunteered to serve as a Big Sis after her son graduated from high school. "I had always wanted to do it, and decided now is a good time. Luz is such a sweet girl and we have a lot of fun together."

Tammy and her husband, Marlon, live in Gruver. Tammy has been employed by Gruver ISD for fourteen years. She serves as GISD's Food Service Manager. She also works for the Berger EMS and volunteers for Gruver EMS. She loves to read and spend time with her new grandson.



Julie Stedje, match support specialist, says "Tammy is an incredible lady. She is such an asset to the students of Gruver ISD. In addition to her job in the cafeteria, she has volunteered to tutor students and assist students with special needs. She loves being involved in the community, especially reaching out to help others. Her Little Sis loves her and is thankful for the time they spend together." For information on helping Big Brothers Big Sisters reach out to over 125 students in Gruver, Spearman, and Perryton, call the office at 434-0016.

## USDA Announces Last Call for Producers to File AGI Forms with the IRS

*Failure to do so Will Result in Interruption of Program Payments*

Hansford County USDA Farm Service Agency (FSA) Executive Director Rick Hargrove, reminds producers that they must submit an Adjusted Gross Income (AGI) verification consent form (CCC-927 or CCC-928) to the IRS as soon as possible in order to maintain eligibility for 2009 and 2010 program benefits.

The consent form authorizes IRS to verify for FSA whether a payment recipient's AGI meets the eligibility requirements for FSA programs. The form became a requirement for payment eligibility beginning with the 2009 crop year, however many pro-

gram participants have not yet submitted this form for 2009 and 2010 program benefits.

"Producers who fail to file these forms before Sept. 2011 will receive a notice from the National Office stating that the producer is ineligible for 2009 and/or 2010 payments," said Hargrove. "The producer will be responsible for fully refunding all payments received under programs subject to AGI limitations," he said.

IRS requires written consent from all individuals or legal entities before verification of the average AGI can be provided to USDA.

Individuals must submit form CCC-927 and legal entities must submit form CCC-928. Without these forms on file, eligible producers will not receive USDA program payments.

Hargrove further clarifies that these consent forms are required for payments received from the Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) as well as those received through FSA. Completed forms must be returned to the IRS.

For more information on AGI eligibility requirements or the AGI verification process, contact the Hargrove County FSA office at 806-659-3036, ext.2.

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## NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON HANSFORD APPRAISAL DISTRICT BUDGET

The Hansford Appraisal District will hold a public hearing on a proposed budget for the 2011-2012 fiscal year.

The public hearing will be held on August 10, 2011 at 10:00 a.m. at the appraisal district office.

A summary of the appraisal district budget follows:

The total amount of the proposed budget:	<b>\$350,698</b>
The total amount of increase from the current year's budget	<b>+ 4,641</b>
The number of employees compensated under the proposed budget	<b>4</b>
The number of employees compensated under the current budget	<b>4</b>

The appraisal district is supported solely by payments from the local taxing units served by the appraisal district.

If approved by the appraisal district board of directors at the public hearing, this proposed budget will take effect automatically unless disapproved by the governing bodies of the county, school districts and cities served by the appraisal district.

A copy of the proposed budget is available for public inspection in the office of each of those governing bodies. A copy is also available for public inspection at the appraisal district office.

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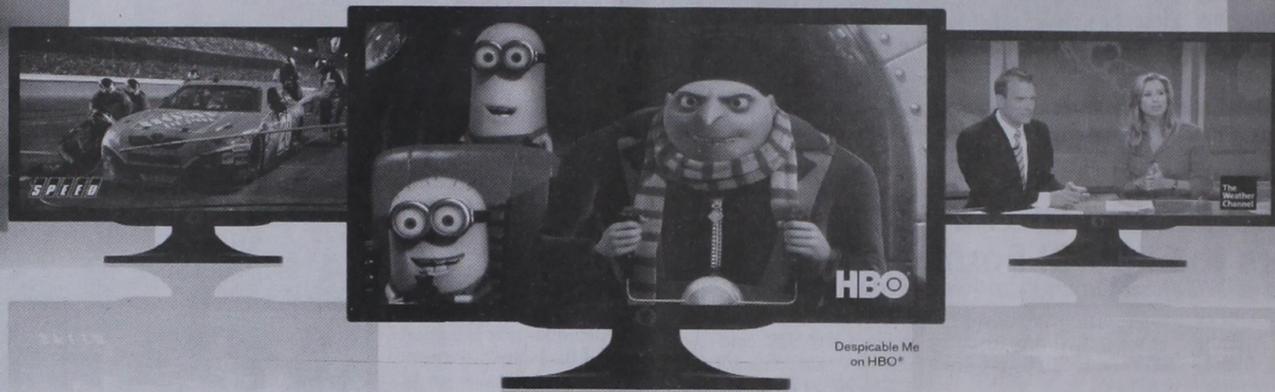
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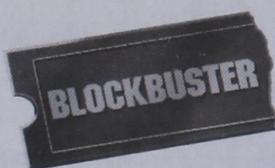
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**CONSTRUCTION/MAINTENANCE/BUILDING FACILITIES CONTRACT(S)**  
Dist/Div: Lubbock  
Contract 6230-53-001 for REMOVE AND REPLACE SPEED LIMIT SIGNS - WESTERN in LUBBOCK County, etc will be opened on August 10, 2011 at 1:00 pm at the State Office for an estimate of \$1,367,385.39.

Plans and specifications are available for inspection, along with bidding proposals, and applications for the TxDOT Prequalified Contractor's list, at the applicable State and/or Dist/Div Offices listed below. If applicable, bidders must submit prequalification information to TxDOT at least 10 days prior to the bid date to be eligible to bid on a project. Pre-qualification materials may be requested from the State Office listed below. Plans for the above contract(s) are available from TxDOT's website at www.txdot.gov and from reproduction companies at the expense of the contractor.  
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**MANDATORY PUBLIC NOTIFICATION LANGUAGE FOR A ROUTINE MONITORING VIOLATION (TCR 23&24)**

The City of Spearman Public Water System, #0980001 failed to collect the required number of bacteriological samples for coliform monitoring of the water distribution system during May 2011. This monitoring is required by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality's "Drinking Water Standards" and the federal "Safe Drinking Water Act", Public Law 95-523.

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If you have any questions regarding this violation, you may contact Public Works Director John DeSha at 806-659-2524. 1(7/28/11)B

**NOTICE TO ALL PERSONS HAVING CLAIMS AGAINST THE ESTATE OF ALVA D. GARNER, DECEASED**

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of ALVA D. GARNER were issued to Kathy Garner Altgelt in the County Court of Hansford County, Texas in Cause No. P02633 on the 21st day of July, 2011. All persons having claims against this estate which is currently being administered, are required to present them within the time and manner prescribed by law. All claims should be sent to Kathy Garner Altgelt, 803 Terrace, Amarillo TX 79106.

John L. Hutchison  
PO Box 506  
Spearman TX 79081  
Attorney for the Estate  
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**COMBINED NOTICE OF FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT AND INTENT TO REQUEST RELEASE OF FUNDS**  
28 July 2011

City of Spearman  
P.O. Box 37  
30 S.W. Court Street  
Spearman, TX 79081-0037  
(806) 659-2524

Panhandle Regional Planning Commission  
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**REQUEST FOR RELEASE OF FUNDS**

On or about August 15, 2011, the City of Spearman will submit a request to the Texas Department of Rural Affairs for the release of Community Development Block Grant funds under Section 104(f) of Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 as amended, to undertake a project known as Project No. 711087 - Sewer System Improvements.

The project includes replacing existing sewer lines that were damaged in a flood that took place June 12-13, 2010. The system began to back up due to the excessive amounts of flood water entering the City's sewer system to the extent that many homes were on the brink of having sewage back into their living quarters. The outdated lines, predating 1968, will be replaced with 15" sewer line. Construction shall take place on 1st Street from the Coble/Archer alley to the Hazelwood/Hoskins alley and down the alley to Third Street where the existing lift station is located in the City of Spearman, Texas. The estimated project cost is \$692,540.00 (\$342,540.00 City of Spearman Local Funds) (\$350,000.00 TxCDBG Grant Funds).

**FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT**

The City of Spearman has determined that the project will have no significant impact on the human environment. Therefore, an Environmental Impact Statement under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA) is not required. Additional project information is contained in the Environmental Review Record (ERR) on file at The City of Spearman, City Hall, 30 S.W. Court Street, Spearman, TX 79081 and at the Panhandle Regional Planning Commission, 415 W. 8th Avenue, Amarillo, Texas and may be examined or copied weekdays from 8:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Any individual, group, or agency disagreeing with this determination or wishing to comment on the project may submit written comments to the Panhandle Regional Planning Commission, Attn: Tyler Estes, PO Box 9257, Amarillo, Texas 79105. All comments received by August 15th, 2011 will be considered by the City of Spearman prior to authorizing submission of a request for release of funds. Commenter's should specify which part of this Notice they are

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**RELEASE OF FUNDS**

The City of Spearman certifies to the Texas Department of Rural Affairs that Ed Hansen in his capacity as City Manager consents to accept the jurisdiction of the Federal Courts if an action is brought to enforce responsibilities in relation to the environmental review process and that these responsibilities have been satisfied. The Office's approval of the certification satisfies its responsibilities under NEPA and related laws and authorities, and allows the City of Spearman to use Program funds.

**OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS**

The Texas Department of Rural Affairs will consider objections to its release of funds and the City of Spearman certification received by August 30th, 2011 or a period of fifteen days from its receipt of the request (whichever is later) only if they are on one of the following bases: (a) the certification was not executed by the Certifying Officer or other officer of the City of Spearman approved by the Office; (b) the (RE) has omitted a step or failed to make a decision or finding required by HUD regulations at 24 CFR Part 58; (c) the grant recipient or other participants in the project have committed funds or incurred costs not authorized by 24 CFR Part 58 before approval of a release of funds by the Office; or (d) another Federal agency acting pursuant to 40 CFR Part 1504 has submitted a written finding that the project is unsatisfactory from the standpoint of environmental quality. Objections must be prepared and submitted in accordance with the required procedures (24 CFR Part 58) and shall be addressed to the Texas Department of Rural Affairs at P.O. Box 12877, Austin, Texas 78711. Potential objectors should contact the Office to verify the actual last day of the objection period.

**CERTIFYING OFFICER OF CONTRACTOR:**

Ed Hansen, City Manager  
Environmental Certifying Officer  
City of Spearman  
P.O. Box 37  
Spearman, TX 79081-0037  
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**ENGINEERING SERVICES PUBLIC NOTICE**

The County of Hansford has recently received notice of a

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Contract award from the Texas Department of Rural Affairs (TDRA) for an Urgent Need Program Grant. Accordingly, the County of Hansford is seeking to contract with a qualified engineer/engineering firm registered to practice in the State of Texas to, prepare all preliminary and final design plans and specifications, and to conduct all necessary interim and final inspections.

A copy of the Request for Proposal for Services may be obtained from the Panhandle Regional Planning Commission, P.O. Box 9257, Amarillo, Texas 79105, ATTN: Tyler Estes, (806) 372-3381. A statement of qualifications for these proposed services will be required.

Please submit your proposal of services and a statement of qualifications for these proposed services to the address below:

The Honorable Benny D. Wilson, Hansford County Judge  
County of Hansford, Hansford County Courthouse  
16 Northwest Court Street  
Spearman, TX 79081-2052

Proposals must be received by the County no later than 5:00 p.m. on the 19th day of August, 2011 to be considered. The County will hold a Commissioner's Court meeting at 10:00 a.m. on the 22nd day of August, 2011 at The Hansford County Courthouse and may award the contract at that time. The County reserves the right to negotiate with any and all individuals, engineers or firms that submit proposals, as per the Texas Professional Services Procurement Act and the Uniform Grant and Contract Management Standards.

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Cassidy also won 2nd

place in the Short Story category with a story entitled "Thanks for the Rain."

Cassidy, was in Mrs. Eva Spivey's 4th grade class when she entered the contest, and would like to thank her for her help with this contest and all her writing projects. She also received a 4 on her TAKS

writing test, the only one in her grade to do so.

Cassidy wants to be a writer when she grows up. She enjoys sports and the outdoors, and loves to write stories about these activities as well as her personal experiences.

Panhandle Professional Writers is the second oldest writing group in the nation located in the Texas Panhandle. You do not have to be a professional writer to join us. They are made up of all types of people who have come together to learn more about the craft of writing. Whether you are a beginner or a multi-published author, come join us. You will find support, encouragement, and friends on all levels of their writing endeavors. They have an annual conference to help those who want to learn more about the craft of writing, bi-monthly meetings, and an online group and occasional classes.

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by Dorothy Hudson

## Out at the Lake

Jim Derington  
Palo Duro River Authority  
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Spearman, TX 79081  
806-882-4401  
pdra@dishmail.net



This is one of the contestants in the 5th annual Clint Davis Memorial Cook Off.

Lake Level--July 25, 2011--37.24 feet (-0.38)

The drought is still with us, but this week we have had teasing rain clouds Yesterday when Gruver and Morse each received .06 inches of rain, a few small areas picked up enough to form puddles.

Jim reported another quiet week at the Park. There were three boats on the Lake Sunday morning. He enjoyed seeing a white-tail doe with three healthy young fawns. She was grazing on the green grass in front of the office while the triplets jumped and played. One sampled a pine tree and found it not to his liking.

Saturday evening the 5th

Annual Clint Davis Cook Off was held on the north side of the dam. It was sanctioned by the Lone Star Barbecue Society. After the judging of five meats, beans, side dishes, and desserts, a meal was served at \$5 a plate. There were 11 cooks entered. This year the money that was raised went to the Hansford County Cemetery.

In last week's column, I mentioned that the springs south of the dam had dried up, but that there were still springs on the Palo Duro at the Stavlo Ranch in the northeast corner of the county. I am most familiar with stretch of the Creek that runs through the old Tyler ranch and the section where the Zulu Stockade

stood on the south side of the county. The headwaters and the spot where the Palo Duro forks into the North Palo Duro and the South Palo Duro are on the Tyler ranch. With the advent of irrigation, the headwaters gradually receded, but the creek still ran for some years on the northern side of the ranch. Then for the last few years we have only had some pools in the creek. My son-in-law, Kenneth Harris, tells me that the pools in the creek are being sustained by springs. He thinks that the big rains of last summer may have recharged the aquifer a bit. I am glad to hear that we still have springs!

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