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## WEEKEND WEATHER FORECAST

**THURSDAY NIGHT** - Mostly cloudy with a 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Lows in the upper 40s. North winds 10 to 20 mph.

**FRIDAY** - Partly cloudy. A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms in the morning. Highs in the lower 70s. Northeast winds 5 to 15 mph.

**FRIDAY NIGHT** - Partly cloudy. Lows in the mid 40s.

**SATURDAY** - Partly cloudy. Breezy. Highs in the mid 70s.

**SATURDAY NIGHT** - Partly cloudy. Windy. Lows in the mid 50s.

**SUNDAY** - Partly cloudy with a 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Highs in the upper 70s.

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## USDA Sets Date for Soybean Request for Referendum

WASHINGTON, March 24, 2004 -- The U.S. Department of Agriculture today announced that it will offer soybean producers the opportunity to request a referendum on the Soybean Promotion and Research Order as authorized under the Soybean Promotion, Research, and Consumer Information Act.

The request for referendum will be conducted at USDA's county Farm Service Agency offices. To be eligible to participate, producers must certify and provide documentation that shows that they produced soybeans and paid an assessment on the soybeans during the period of Jan. 1, 2002, through Dec. 31, 2003. Only those producers who desire a referendum on the order will participate.

Beginning May 3, 2004, and continuing through May 28, 2004, producers may obtain a form to request a referendum from county FSA offices either in person or by sending a request by mail or facsimile. Forms may also be obtained via the Internet at <http://www.ams.usda.gov/lsg/mpb/rp-soy.htm>. Individual producers and other producer entities may request a referendum at the county FSA office where their administrative farm records are maintained. For the producer not participating in FSA programs, the opportunity to request a referendum will be provided at the county FSA office where the producer owns or rents land. Mail in requests must be postmarked by May 28, 2004, and received in the county FSA office by June 7, 2004. All other requests made by facsimile or in person, must be received in the county FSA office by May 28, 2004.

USDA will conduct a referendum on the order if a least 10 percent of the 663,880 soybean producers request a referendum, provided that no more than one-fifth be producers from one state.

The request for referendum is mandated by the act. The act requires that the secretary of agriculture conduct a request for referendum every five years after the initial referendum, which was conducted in 1994.

USDA monitors activities of the United Soybean Board. The mandatory program is financed by an assessment of one-half of 1 percent of the net market value of the soybeans.

Notice of the soybean request for referendum was published in the March 25, 2004, Federal Register.

# SHS One-Act Takes Third At State Competition

Spearman High School received third place in the State One-Act Play Contest held May 6-8 in Austin. They were named one of two advancing plays on Friday, April 23, 2004 at the Region I One-Act Play competition in Abilene, along with Nocona. Spearman performed *The Terezin Promise* and Nocona performed *Ark of Safety*.

New Diana (Diana) received first place with the play, *Quilters* and Rogers came in second place with the play *Marisol*. The cast and crew of the first through third received individual medals as well as a state plaque.

Other schools competing, and the play they performed, were: Hamilton - *The Man Who Came to Dinner*, Sadler S&S - *Mother Courage and Her Children*, Central Heights (Nacogdoches) - *Rosencrantz and Guildenstern Are Dead*, and Vanderbilt (Industrial) - *The Voice of the Prairie*.

This is the second time in school history that Spearman High School has competed at the State One-Act Play Contest, the last being in 1970 when they performed of *The Chairs*, under the direction of June Porter.

Receiving individual honors at the state competition were Cristal Alvarado, who was named All-Star Cast and Michel Huffaker, who received Honorable Mention All-Star Cast.

The cast, under the direction of Tony Sidwell, is composed of Cristal Alvarado as Raja, Michel Huffaker as Irena, Dana McLaughlin as Eva/Child, Linzi McCubbin as Helga/Child, Michael Lozano as Hanus/Child, Collin Gillaspie as Petr/Child, Jarick Howard as Rudi/Child and Joshua Chambers as Nicholas/Child.

Ryan Ramon, Adriana Mendoza, Timberly Thomas and Rossilyn Bulls are young children/ensemble and Lance Huddleston, Joshua Derrington and Chris Cudd are Camp Guards/Nazi Soldiers.

Stage crew members include Ashlee Flowers (stage director), Homer Martinez (computer graphics), Russell Sheets (sound) and Emily Longoria (lights). Alternates are Brandon Nava, Keith Sumner, Nicole Worley, Brynrr Garnett and Lisha Whitefield.



Director Tony Sidwell (second from right) watches as Spearman High School one-act play participants Collin Gillaspie, Timberly Thomas and Dana McLaughlin (right) prepare to board the bus before the long ride to competition.



Damon Sibley, Marge Crockett and Mandy Charles of the Spearman Post Office would like to thank everyone who participated in the food drive held on Saturday, May 8th. Carriers collected 442 pounds of food, which will be donated to the Spearman Food Bank.



Jeremy Ray Harris, a Wayland Baptist University graduating senior from Gruver, received the Citizenship Award for the 2003-04 school year. This is the highest award presented to a student by the university.



(L-R) Charles Slough, Tucker Williams, Bailey Reid, and Nicholas Slough.

Gruver FFA members competed at the State Livestock Judging contest held May 1st in College Station Texas on the Campus of Texas A&M University. Members on the team include Bailey Reid, Charles Slough, Nicholas Slough, and Tucker Williams.

The contest includes six classes of cattle, sheep, and swine, a class of feeder cattle grading, a class of slaughter cattle grading, and a written exam consisting of twenty five questions. There are 625 points per individual and 2025 points for a team total. The lowest score is dropped and not counted for the team total.

The team had recently place third in area competition, second in district, and fifth overall in Texas Tech contests to qualify for the state trip. At Texas A&M the team scored a total of 1789 points letting them hold the sixteenth spot in state out of 80 teams that qualified across the state of Texas.

During the trip to A&M the students were able to see many different parts of the state and judge at several reputable farms along the way.

The team will be able to compete next year with three students returning as Nicholas graduates this year.

## Wheat Field Day Showcases New Variety

Some farmers squeeze wheat heads tightly to determine grain fill and maturity. Others judge crop health by color, looking for a lush, uniform green.

On May 26, participants at the 2004 Wheat Field Day will be able to inspect new irrigated and dryland varieties. The event will be at the North Plains Research Field, a facility of the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station, located north of Dumas on state Highway 287.

Registration will begin at 10 a.m. The program will begin with a welcome by Thomas Marek, North Plains Field superintendent, followed by the walking tours at 10:20 a.m.

"Our field tours will allow participants easy access to see varieties up close," said Dr. Jackie Rudd, Experiment Station wheat breeder at Amarillo. "At least 163 trials are currently under way by our state breeding team with many located here in the High Plains."

Varieties are being tested statewide at locations near Abilene, Brady, Bushland, Canadian, Castroville, Chillicothe, Claude, Dalhart, Etter, Lockett, Lubbock, McGregor, Nazareth, Prosper, and in Ellis County. Two irrigated trials are under way near Clovis, N.M. Evaluations

involve types for irrigated and dryland production in addition to several early and later maturing beardless and grazing varieties, Rudd said.

Continuing education credit have been requested for Texas Department of Agriculture licensed pesticide applicators. Approval of additional units for certified crop advisors is expected. Speakers at four stops and their topics will be:

- "Wheat condition around the state," Dr. Gaylon Morgan, small grains specialist with Texas Cooperative Extension, College Station;
- "Varieties - old and new," Dr. Brent Bean, Extension agronomist, Amarillo;
- "Insect update," Dr. Carl Patrick, Extension entomologist, Amarillo;
- "Plant disease diagnostic lab update," Dr. Charles Rush, Experiment Station plant pathologist, Bushland;
- "Wheat breeding program and pending new releases," Rudd; and
- "Triticale, an alternative to wheat?" Dr. Art Klatt, small grains breeder, Oklahoma State University, Stillwater, and member of the Texas Small Grains Advisory Committee.

The program will include a hamburger lunch from 11:45

a.m.-1 p.m. Dr.

John Sweeten, Experiment Station resident director, will welcome participants at noon.

Other presenters include Dr. Mark Hussey, head of the soil and crop science department at Texas A&M University, and Texas Wheat Producers Board and area legislative officials or their staffs.

Dr. Bean will lead the dryland wheat tour beginning at 1 p.m.

The Etter research unit is a 326-acre facility dedicated to research and demonstrations of irrigation systems and water use efficiency in addition to cropping and environmental systems. The Experiment Station has leased the current location from the North Plains Groundwater Conservation District, headquartered in Dumas, since 1988. The original partnership began in 1963 at a site 2 miles north of the present location. The North Plains research unit accommodated 21 studies in 2003 involving 16 scientists and engineers from six agencies.

For more information, contact the Extension office in Moore County (806) 935-2594, or Bean or Rudd at (806) 677-5600 in Amarillo at the Texas A&M University System Agricultural Research and Extension Center.

## SHOWING OUR PRIDE COUNTYWIDE



Gruver FFA's new innovative welcome sign on the west entrance to the city provide a warm welcome. FFA members erecting the new sign are: (back, left-right) Carlos Borunda, Adam Stinar, Mr. Weston Born, Sergio Cruz; (front, left-right) Jose Rodriguez, Raul Garcia, Rufino Gonzales, and Wesley Thompson.

# Live, Laugh & Love



by Catherine R. Smith  
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My friend Sheri Benton sent me the following story entitled "The Next Survivor Series." I would like to dedicate it to all the women in honor of Mother's Day.

Enjoy the answers given by elementary school age children to the following questions:

Why did God make mothers?

1. She's the only one who knows where the scotch tape is.
2. Mostly to clean the house.
3. To help us out of there when we were getting born.

How did God make mothers?

1. He used dirt, just like for the rest of us.
2. Magic plus super powers and a lot of stirring.
3. God made my Mom just the same like he made me. He just used bigger parts.

What ingredients are mothers made of?

1. God makes mothers out of clouds and angel hair and everything nice in the world and one dab of mean.
2. They had to get their start from men's bones. Then they mostly use string. I think.

Why did God give you your mother and not some other Mom?

1. We're related.
2. God knew she likes me a lot more than other people's moms like me.

What kind of little girl was your Mom?

1. My Mom has always been my Mom and none of that other stuff.
2. I don't know because I wasn't there, but my guess would be pretty bossy.
3. They say she used to be nice.

What did Mom need to know about dad before she married him?

1. His last name.
2. She had to know his background. Like is he a crook? Does he get drunk on beer?
3. Does he make at least \$800 a year? Did he say NO to drugs and YES to chores?

Why did your Mom marry your dad?

1. My dad makes the best spaghetti in the world. And my Mom eats a lot.
2. She got too old to do anything else with him.
3. My grandma says that Mom didn't have her thinking cap on.

Who's the boss at your house?

1. Mom doesn't want to be boss, but she has to because dad's such a goofball.
2. Mom. You can tell by room inspection. She sees the stuff under the bed.
3. I guess Mom is, but only because she has a lot more to do than dad.

What's the difference between moms and dads?

1. Moms work at work and work at home, and dads just got to work at work.
2. Moms know how to talk to teachers without scaring them.
3. Dads are taller and stronger, but moms have all the real power 'cause that's who you got to ask if you want to sleep over at your friend's.

What does your Mom do in her spare time?

1. Mothers don't do spare time.
2. To hear her tell it, she pays bills all day long.

What would it take to make your Mom perfect?

1. On the inside she's already perfect. Outside, I think some kind of plastic surgery.
2. Diet. You know, her hair. I'd diet, maybe blue.

If you could change one thing about your Mom, what would it be?

1. She has this weird thing about me keeping my room clean. I'd get rid of that.
2. I'd make my Mom smarter. Then she would know it was my sister who did it and not me.

May God bless and keep you; May He make his face to shine upon you, and be gracious to you; May the Lord lift up his countenance upon you, and give you peace.

Numbers 6:24-26

Catherine :)

## Storm Shelter Funding Announced By USDA Rural Development

USDA Rural Development State Director Bryan Daniel announced today that the Agency is offering low interest Section 504 loans to help finance storm shelters for very-low income homeowners living in rural Texas.

"Severe weather can strike Texas unexpectedly, and with serious personal consequences. As Texans know, violent storms and the unfortunate loss of life underscore the need for improved home safety measures. The installation of an approved storm shelter can provide rural Texans added safety and security," said Daniel.

Eligibility requirements for this program includes a family income of less than 50% of the median income for their respective county, an applicant must live in their own home, and the family must reside in an eligible rural community. The USDA Rural Development financed shelters must also meet Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) standards in design, construction and installation.

State Director Daniel encourages individuals interested in USDA Rural Development's Section 504 loan program to contact their local office. The USDA Rural Development local office that serves your area can be located at <http://www.rurdev.usda.gov/tx/officeinfo.htm>.

USDA Rural Development is the economic development agency for USDA, and the lead federal entity for rural development. For additional program information, you may also log onto the state's Rural Development website at: [www.rurdev.usda.gov/tx](http://www.rurdev.usda.gov/tx).

For more information on USDA Rural Development programs in Texas, check our web site at <http://www.rurdev.usda.gov/tx/>.

USDA Rural Development was created in 1994 and includes Business Programs, Housing Programs, and Utilities Programs. Its mission is to use the resources of USDA to provide an improved quality of life for the nation's rural residents.

USDA Rural Development is an Equal Opportunity Lender, Provider, and Employer. Complaints of discrimination should be sent to: USDA, Director, Office of Civil Rights, Washington, D.C. 20250-9410.

## Thank You!

The cast and crew of *The Terezin Promise* would like to thank the teachers of Spearman High School, their parents and friends, and especially the community for their support during the past three months. Your words and acts of encouragement, as well as your donations, are greatly appreciated.

We would also like to extend a very special thank you to Mr. Tony Sidwell for his direction, support, care, encouragement and especially his time. We certainly couldn't have done this without you!

Sincerely,

Spearman High School One-Act Play Cast & Crew

Cristal Alvarado, Michel Huffaker, Dana McLaughlin, Linzi McCubbin, Michael Lozano, Collin Gillaspie, Jarick Howard, Joshua Chambers, Ryan Ramon, Adriana Mendoza, Timberly Thomas, Rossilyn Bulls, Lance Huddleston, Joshua Derrington, Chris Cudd, Ashlee Flowers, Homer Martinez, Russell Sheets, Emily Longoria, Clayton Smith, Brandon Nava, Keith Sumner, Nicole Worley, Brynn Garnett and Lisha Whitefield

## Notice

### Summer Hours

**Beginning June 6th**

**Open: Tues.-Thurs., 9 a.m.-5:30 p.m.;**  
**Fri., 9 a.m.-1 p.m.**

**Closed: Saturday-Monday**

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**We will resume regular hours (Mon.-Fri., 9 a.m.-5:30 p.m.; Sat. 9 a.m.-1 p.m.) on August 1st.**

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**And Don't Forget!**

- **Memorial Day - May 31st**  
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## HANSFORD HAPPENINGS

### Reyna Ruiz Scholarship Fund

A scholarship fund has been established for Reyna Ruiz through the Sacred Heart Catholic Church. Donations may be mailed to: Sacred Heart Catholic Church, Ruiz Scholarship Fund, PO Box 127, Spearman, TX 79081. Reyna is the daughter of Elva Ruiz and the late Gerardo Ruiz of Spearman.

### Medical Fund Established for Melissa (Robinson) Vasquez

A medical fund has been established at First State Bank for Melissa (Robinson) Vasquez. Melissa has been fighting cancer for several years on a dis continuing treatment. Donations may be sent to First State Bank, Melissa Vasquez Fund, 1 NE Court, Spearman, TX 79081.

### Project Graduation

The parents of the Senior Class of 2004 will sponsor and host a "Project Graduation Party" following commencement exercises on Friday, May 28th. To encourage the graduates to stay the entire night, door prizes are awarded throughout the evening. In addition, graduates can earn paper monies through their participation in various games so that prizes can be purchased. The graduation party will culminate with the distribution of grand prizes. Prizes, gift certificates, and cash are needed for the evening's gifts. If you, the community, who supported and encouraged these seniors these past 13 years of school, would be willing to share in this final "Class of 2004" memory, making this project "special", please call Nikki Lozano at 659-2568 or 659-3964; or Charlotte Sheets at 659-2971. Thank you, in advance, for your support!

### Miss Hansford Scholarship Pageant

The Women's Division of the Spearman Chamber of Commerce will host "An Enchanted Evening" Miss Hansford Scholarship Pageant on June 8, 2004 at 7 p.m. Age divisions are: Little Miss (4-6), Jr. Miss (7-9), Preteen (10-12), Teen (13-16) and Miss Hansford (17-21). Entry forms are available at the Spearman Chamber of Commerce Office, Lady Fair, Kid's Stuff, Dreamer's and at Main Street in Gruver. The deadline for entries is May 7, 2004. For more information, contact Jodie Hight at 659-3720.

### Gruver Flea Market

A flea market is slated for Saturday, May 22, in Gruver City Park, according to Lisa Salmans, Gruver Chamber of Commerce Director. Food booths, garage sale items, antiques, crafts, and fun booths such as face painting are some of the ideas Gruver Chamber members hope to incorporate in the event. Booths at the flea market will be \$10 for an 8' by 10' space. Interested individuals or groups may reserve a space by contacting Salmans, 733-2861, after 5 p.m. or director Holly McLain, 733-5040 from 10 a.m. - 6 p.m. on weekdays or 10 a.m. - 1 p.m. on Saturdays.

### Memorial Day Wreaths

The Golden Spread Senior Citizens has a nice selection of Memorial Day Wreaths still available for purchase. For more information, contact Kathy Bryant at 659-3030, or stop by the Sr. Citizens Center at 502 South Brandt in Spearman. *Call today, they're going fast!*

### Walk Across Texas!

You know you should get regular exercise but you need some motivation? Call Peggy Winegamer, County Extension Agent, at 659-4130 or 733-2901, to find out how you can **Walk Across Texas**. Walking, running, biking, aerobics, swimming, all count in the total mileage. You may participate as an individual or as a team made up of 8 people who keep track of the amount they walk for eight weeks. Immediate benefits include increased energy levels and felling less stressed. **Walk Across Texas** began May 10th and goes through July 12th. If you would like to participate, call today!

### Hansford Golf Club Hosts Tuesday Night Scrambles

The Hansford Golf Club Tuesday Night Scrambles are in full swing. Tee-off is at 6 p.m. each Tuesday. Contact Ross Donahue, Curtis Covington or Sheri Benton for more information.

### Out-Of-School Examinee Registration

Individuals who are no longer enrolled in school and who have not previously met minimum expectations on all sections of the TAAS test, but have met all other graduation requirements, may retake the necessary sections. The TAAS test will be given on July 6 (writing), July 7 (math), and July 8 (reading). A student can register for the TAAS test online by accessing the web site at <http://k12testing.tx.ncpearson.com/oos> or by completing a registration form. Registration forms may be picked up at the high school counselor's office between the hours of 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. Registration packets are due in Austin by 5 p.m. on June 4, 2004. Please contact Krista Baird at 659-2584 if you have any questions.

### Tri-City Community Concert Association

Janie Kunselman is the representative for the Tri-City Community Concert Association of Borger. The Tri-City Community Concert Association is selling memberships to attend five special concerts in the 2004-2005 season. Concerts are as follows: September 5 - Alpine Hong (pianist); October 26 - Rhythm & Shoes; February 8 - Frank DeAmbrose (singer); March 12 - Artie Shaw Big Band Orchestra; March 19 - Richard Glizier (singer); April 7 - Southern Fried Jazz. Season memberships are: Adults - \$25, Students - \$10, and Family - \$50. Contact Janie Kunselman at 659-2631 for more information.

### Liberal Community Concert Association

Janie Kunselman is the representative for the Liberal Community Concert Association of Liberal, KS. The Liberal Community Concert Association is selling memberships to attend five special concerts in the 2004-2005 season. Concerts are as follows: September 4 - Acoustic Cafe; October 16 - One Enchanted Evening (2-hours w/orchestra); November 13 - Benny Kim (violinist); February 13 - Alpin Hong (pianist); March 13 - Artie Shaw Big Band Orchestra; May 17 - Side Street Strutters. Season memberships are: Adults - \$45, Students - \$20, and Family Pass - \$95. Contact Janie Kunselman at 659-2631 for more information.

### Alzheimer's Support Group

Goldwater Manor Nursing Home, 1111 Beaver Road, Stratford, would like to invite anyone interested to attend an Alzheimer's Support Group, held the third Wednesday of each month at 4 p.m. in the Board Room. The guest speaker for this month's meeting will be Roy Puente LSW, Regional Director for Amarillo Alzheimer's. Everyone is invited to meet and support other with families who have loved ones with Alzheimer's. This event is sponsored by Activity Directors JoAnn Cobos and Janice Vaughn.

### Lake Fryer Children's Fishing Tournament

The Wolf Creek Advisory Board will be hosting a Children's Fishing Tournament at Lake Fryer on June 5, 2004. Registration will begin at 9 a.m. at the Lobo Restaurant, which is located in the park. The fishing tournament will end at 2 p.m. There will be a \$1/contestant registration fee. Prizes will be awarded at 3 p.m. in three age groups: Ages 1-5, Ages 6-10 and Ages 11-14. All proceeds are used for park improvements.

## WHAT'S FOR DINNER?

### CASSEROLES TO GO

A convenience or the busy family!  
Orders must be placed at least two hours ahead, or by 10 a.m. for lunch.

#### MENU

*Tortilla Lasagna; Chicken, Mushroom & Spinach Lasagna; Beef & Cheese Lasagna; Chicken Spaghetti; Texas Chicken; Cheese Manicotti; Chicken Enchiladas; Beef Enchiladas; King Ranch Chicken; Ham & Cheese Potato Bake; BieroX - \$3.99 each (allow more time)*

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## Our Deepest Sympathy

### EARL ED NOVAK



SPEARMAN - Dr. Earl Ed Novak, 69, passed away early Thursday morning, May 6, 2004 at Hansford Hospital in Spearman.

The third child of Beatrice Frances (Nespor) and Frank F. Novak, he was born November 7, 1934 on the Novak farm south of Spearman. Soon after his father passed away in February of 1944, the Novaks moved to Yukon, OK to be closer to family. He attended Yukon schools and graduated from Yukon High School with the Class of 1953. The family returned to Spearman each summer to farm, where Earl came to love the

farm, the Panhandle and its people.

After graduating from Oklahoma State University, he entered Baylor University College of Dentistry in Dallas, TX, in the fall of 1957. It was at Baylor that he met a young dental hygiene student, also attending Baylor. Earl Ed and Barbara Lee Fulkerson were married November 26, 1959 in Fort Worth, TX.

After graduating with honors from dental school, the young dentist and his bride returned to Hansford County where Earl could enjoy all the things he loved, arriving just in time for wheat harvest. Bobbie and Earl established their dental practice, E.E. Novak, DDS Dental Clinic in August of 1961. They worked at their business, farmed, raised their family, and loved and lived their life in Spearman.

In 1981, they began work on the "ranch house" up near Hardesty, OK, where they enjoyed friends, neighbors and the outdoors. Dr. Novak retired and sold his dental practice in 1999 and after a short retirement, he began volunteer dentistry at the Community Dental Clinic of Amarillo. His volunteering soon turned into part-time work.

He was an active member of the First Christian Church and was a member of the choir. Earl had recently enjoyed singing in a barbershop quartet, The Wizards of Harmony.

He was known as Earl to his wife, Bobbie Novak of 44 years; Dad to daughter, Cinda and husband, Jamie Haruch of Jonesboro, GA and son, Hunter Novak and wife, Bonnie of Guymon, OK; Earl Ed to his sister, Doris Cornwell Davis, a father-in-law Woodrow Fulkerson of Spearman; and Gramps to his adoring grandchildren, Kate Haruch, Ethan Novak and Griffin Novak.

He was preceded in death by his father, Frank Novak; his mother and step-father, Frances and Ben Yanda; and a brother, Frank Novak, Jr.

Funeral services were held Saturday afternoon, May 8th at 4 p.m. at the First Christian Church with Rev. Gary Smith officiating. Interment was in Hansford Cemetery under the direction of Boxwell Brothers Funeral Home of Spearman.

The family has asked that memorials be given in lieu of flowers to the First Christian Church, Box 637 or the Stationmaster House Museum, 30 S Townsend, Spearman, TX 79081.

### DALE LEROY OLTMAN

SPEARMAN - Dale Leroy Oltman, 76, died Thursday, May 6, 2004.

Funeral services were held Monday, May 10, 2004, at the Faith Lutheran Church with the Rev. Gary Smith and Rev. Beverly Cook officiating. Interment was in the Hansford Cemetery under the direction of Boxwell Brothers Funeral Home of Spearman.

Dale was born July 22, 1927, in Cadams, NE to Henry and Louise (Feese) Oltman. He had lived in Spearman since 1971. He married Betty on February 17, 1958, in Fairbury, NE. She preceded him in death in 2000.

A member of Faith Lutheran Church of Spearman, Oltman was employed by Consumers Sales Company and Alton's Gulf for many years as a service attendant, until his retirement.

He is survived by one son, James Oltman, of Spearman; two daughters Barbara Sharp and Janet Torres, both of Spearman; a brother Don Oltman of Amarillo; two sisters Velma Burns of Normal, IL, and Kathryn Rust of Hastings, NE; and six grandchildren.

The family requests that memorials be made to one's favorite charity.

### JOHN TIMOTHY BOWEN

TIOGA - John Timothy Bowen, 80, died Thursday, May 6, 2004. Services were at 2 p.m. Saturday, May 8, 2004 in Goen-Hudgens Funeral Chapel in Denton with Danny Mack, Chaplain, officiating. Burial was in Tioga Cemetery.

Mr. Bowen was born June 3, 1923, in Limestone Gap, Oklahoma to William Ernest and Sarah Ellen Hamilton Bowen. He served as a Merchant Marine in World War II.

He was preceded in death by one sister Norma Lee Winslett, two brothers, Robert Bowen and Donald Bowen

Survivors include his wife of 59 years, Mary, a daughter May Belle Farine of Tioga, a son Johnny Lee Bowen of Irving, two brothers James Bowen of Sunray and William Bowen of Waurika, IK, and a sister Faye McDonald of Spearman, and seven great grandchildren.

### TOMMIE JACK BRUCE

SPEARMAN - Tommie Jack Bruce, 68, died Wednesday, April 14, 2004.

Memorial services will be held at 1 p.m. on Saturday, May 15, 2004 at the Spearman Church of Christ. Arrangements are by Boxwell Brothers Funeral Home.

Mr. Bruce was a lifetime resident of Spearman. He was born October 21, 1935, in Waka. He was a member of the volunteer fire department for many years. He and his father owned and operated Bruce Motors for a number of years also.

He was living in Rowlett in an assisted living facility before his untimely death. He suffered a massive stroke.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Tommy and Mary Bruce.

Survivors include a sister, Virginia Pio of Hardesty, OK; two daughters, Donna K. Fitzgerald of Rowlett and Dana C. Braun of Charlotte, NC; three grandchildren; and a great-grandson.

The family suggests memorials be to Hansford Hospice, 707 Roland St., Spearman, TX 79081 or Spearhead Group, (Alcoholics Anonymous, a non-profit organization) in Tommie Jack Bruce's name, in care of First State Bank, Attention: Vana Reed, Spearman, TX 79081.

### JESSE R. FRANCIS

SPEARMAN - Jesse R. Francis, 74, passed away on Tuesday, May 11, 2004.

Funeral services will be held on Friday, May 14, 2004 at 2 p.m. in the First Assembly of God Church in Spearman with the Rev. Jonathan Park and Rev. Bob Elder officiating. Interment will be in Hansford Cemetery under the direction of Boxwell Brothers Funeral Home of Spearman.

Jesse was born on September 20, 1929 in Dallas, TX to Andrew and Joicy (Downs) Francis. He had lived in the area since 1958, moving from Pampa. He married Wilma Spearman on November 23, 1960 in Spearman, TX.

He worked for Ideal Food Store before going into the farming business in 1962. He retired from farming in 1995. He was currently employed as a night watchman at USA Feedyard. He served in the Army during the Korean Conflict.

Survivors include his wife, Wilma, of Spearman; two daughters, Karen Read of Mangum, OK and Angela Graves of Perryton; two sons, Andrew Francis and Steven Francis, both of Perryton; a sister, Juanita Mitchell of Mangum, OK; ten grandchildren; and ten great-grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to the First Assembly of God Church, 401 N. Bernice, Spearman, TX 79081; or to the Stationmaster's House Museum, 30 S. Townsend, Spearman, TX. 79081.

## Happy Birthday!

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

Henson, Kenny Virden, Travis Hodge, Justine Rosales

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**May 19**  
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**May 20**  
**Birthday** - Donna Ralston, April Graham, Barbara Kenney, Ronny Smith, Cindy Scribner, Beatrice Ellsworth, Jacob Harbour, Vernon Gardner, Beatrice McCloy, Lanasa Washburn  
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**May 21**  
**Birthday** - Steven Foster, Holly Holt Key, Jenny Hart, Brad Johnson, Charles Brillhart, Mae McLoughlin, Dennis Baker, Mike Kizzar, Carolyn McDaniel, Judy Vela, Faye Schmehr, Tracy Kirkpatrick, Veronica Gomez, Michael Quillin, Gaby Briones, James Martin  
**Anniversary** - Mr. & Mrs. Francisco Borunda

**May 22**  
**Birthday** - Kaitlyn Poole, Sorrele Blevens, Geneva Eddleman, Tamra Gammon, Kathryn Gumfory, Jo Copeland, Amy Gumfory Seagler, Lacey Morris, Loye Randall, Alan Shields, James Osbourne, Joe Garza, Maria Vela, Vickie Genn, Flossie Boyd, Cassie Myatt, Carla Woodington, Detsi Vera  
**Anniversary** - Irvin & Helen Boyd, Mr. & Mrs. Steve Reed, Mr. & Mrs. Rex Reid

**May 23**  
**Birthday** - Stefan Dorman, Clifford George, Brad Womble, Monet Lassiter, Scott Alfred, Lloyd Poole, Bob Skinner, Gladys Mitchum, David Collins, James Ooley, Bernie Olivare, Dorothea Keys  
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### May 13

**Birthday** - Kerry Foster, Billy Horton, Cora Meyer, Terry Butt, Roy Stinson, Henry Babitzke, Tom Fanning, Sarah Moore

### May 14

**Birthday** - Nancy Barkley, Debbie Deeds, Gerald TeBeest, Vickie Kay Hand, Patsy Barrera, Fran Quinby, Janice Gerrard, Luis Garcia, Sharon Seagler, Eric Titus, Jim Bartimus, Chris Johnson, Buck Tidwell, David Terry, Brandy Shelton, Sue Gerardy, Kevin Harris  
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### May 15

**Birthday** - Barbara Cluck, 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, Billie Nobles, Janeen Baumgardner, Jean Armes, Bryan Dudley, Jennifer Traylor, Lance Smith  
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### May 16

**Birthday** - Charles Evans, Louise Hedding, 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  
**Anniversary** - Mr. & Mrs. L.F. Hand

### May 17

**Birthday** - Bart Thoreson, Karen Burke, Billy Close, Lorene McGuire, Earla Spencer, Matt Lair, Mrs. Fred Hoskins, Scott Boyd, Angela Pipkin, Lloyd Laxton, Marcy Villalobos, J.P. TeBeest, Cleavene Elliott, Edith Volden  
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### May 18

**Birthday** - Dan Carthel, Colt Cluck, Phylis Haefner, Amy Lewis, Darrell Messer, Clint Swink, Jerry Swink, Sally Desimone, Paula Fryrear, Alma Ricketts, Byron Kenney, Joy Gafford, Ernestine Gray, Luis Moreno Jr., Kimberly Rhea, Ann Atchison, Amy Sparks, Ivan Allen, Thea Beck, Danny

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**HCRS Bids Oltman Goodbye**

by Harletta Carthel

Life can change so quickly. Thursday, April 29, Dale Oltman, called the newspaper office, as he often did on Thursday, to see if the paper had been returned from the printer. If the answer was 'yes,' Dale would soon appear at the Reporter Statesman office to pick up ten newspapers.

He would then take eight of the papers to the Panhandle Diner so patrons could partake of the news with their meal. The other two papers were for his daughter, who has a local beauty salon, and himself.

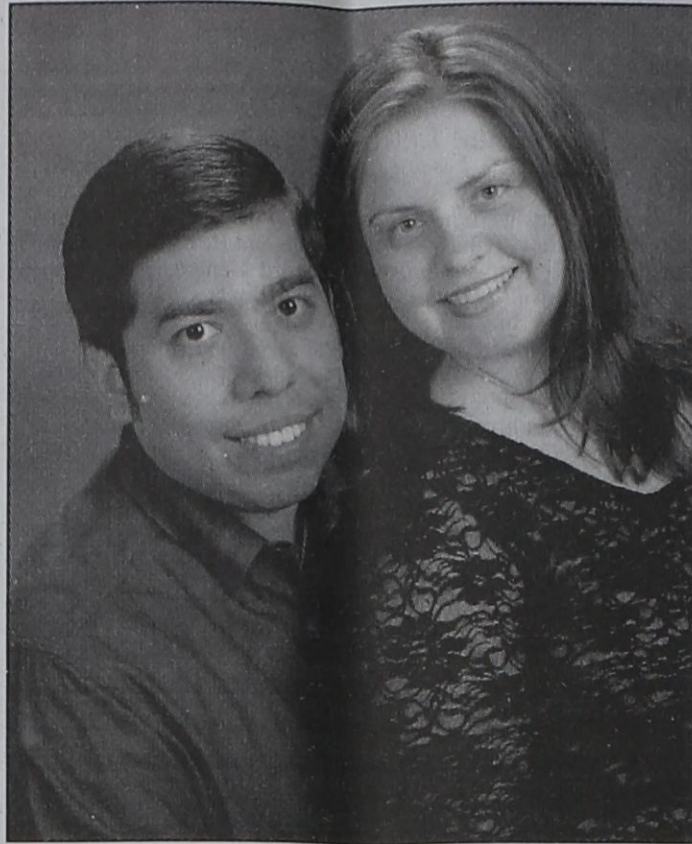
Last Thursday afternoon, we knew something was amiss when Dale did not call or come by the office. An inquiring call soon informed us that Dale was in critical condition after suffering a stroke.

Dale passed away later that day.

We will miss Dale's Thursday visits. His anticipation of the local weekly news was a compliment that our mission to the community was appreciated and relished.

He was an interesting and interested man. In his last visit to the office, he told of Spearman at one time having seventeen service stations, and then cited the locations of each.

Dale's passing made us realize that we should cherish in the small and everyday moments we share with one another for they are the gifts of life.



**Engagement Announcement**

Ms. Jacquelin Johnson Stong of Woodland Hills, CA and Mr. Phillip Stong of The Woodlands, TX are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter, Cynthia Doris Moseley to Alfonso Martinez. Alfonso is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Homero and Maria Martinez of Spearman.

Cynthia is a graduate of McCullough High School in The Woodlands and a graduate of the University of Texas in Austin, with a degree in psychology. She is currently employed by Montgomery County Women's Center and is working on her teaching certification.

Alfonso is a graduate of Spearman High School and the University of Texas in Austin with a degree in electrical engineering. He is employed by SBC in Houston.

The couple plan a July 17, 2004 wedding at The Woodlands United Methodist Church.

Following a honeymoon trip, the couple plans to reside in The Woodlands, TX.



**Engagement Announcement**

Benny and Sandra Almager of Levelland and Darrell Brown of Lubbock announce the engagement of their daughter, Marsha Brown to Jason Swink.

Jason is the son of Travis and Karon Swink of Spearman and the grandson of Herman and Leola Blanton of Stinnett.

The couple plan to be wed August 21, at the Clawson House Bed and Breakfast in Lubbock.

The bride-elect is working toward her business degree in accounting and is employed by Gabriele Gross Bookkeeping and Tax Service in Lubbock.

The prospective groom is a graduate of Texas Tech University in Lubbock with a degree in Management Information Systems. He is employed by AMA Tech Tel Communications in Lubbock.

**Spearman Post Office Celebrates Mother's Day**

The Spearman Post Office had a special "Happy Mother's Day" stamp cancellation on Tuesday, May 4th in celebration of Mother's Day.

Postal employees also conducted a survey of their customers on the phrase they most remember hearing from their mother.

The phrase most remembered was "Because I'm the Mom!" Other phrases were: 2nd (tie) - Go ask your dad; Wait till your father gets home. 3rd - Do as I say, not as I do. 4th - If you can't do it right, don't do it at all. 5th (tie) - Is your room clean; Because I said; If you're going to cry, I'll give you something to cry about; Be good. 6th (tie) - Behave yourself; Clean your plate - think of all the starving kids who would love your food. 7th (tie) - Did you do your homework; Don't you lie to me; It's your turn to wash dishes; A place for everything and everything in its place, please; No; Take that trash out; Make sure you have clean underwear on before you go anywhere; Be careful around strangers - somebody might yank your leg off and hit you over the head with it; The world does not revolve around you; Cleanliness is next to Godliness; If the shoe fits, wear it; Did you hear what I said; I've been there and done that, so be careful.

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You are invited to a  
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You are invited to a  
**Wedding Shower**  
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**Leslie Biesheuvel**  
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I love you all,  
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- Kasey Dunnihoo & Mike Butts - May 15
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## Coach, Team Pursue Their Wildest Dreams



Cami Jenschke

by Harletta Carthel

As valedictorian of her senior class at Gruver, Cami (Shapley) Jenschke had many dreams, but even in her wildest dream, she never imagined herself as the coach of a girls softball team.

The petite blonde now finds herself as the head coach of a 'dream team' at Austin's Cedar Park High School who will be playing in the regional playoffs this weekend.

Since Gruver High School has never had a softball team, Jenschke, did not grow up in the sport. Her only experience came as a player in Gruver's Little League baseball program.

"My mom as a coach in Little League has been my inspiration," Jenschke said with a smile. "I have also been able to study under a great coach as an assistant coach for three years."

The coach to which Jenschke refers is Mike Auld who led last year's team to the first round of the playoffs, but decided during district play in 2003 that it

would be his last season as coach at the 4-A high school.

"Coach Auld knew he was going to be stepping down, and I think he started giving me more responsibility, unbeknownst to me, Jenschke said. "Some of that good-guy relationship had already kind of dwindled away because of the responsibilities he had given me last year, especially because he knew he was slowly but surely turning things over."

The transition from assistant to head coach has been a change for both Jenschke and her team.

"I had to become more of an authority figure and embrace the role of disciplinarian, rather than the cry coach - the good guy assistant who was always privy to the girls' favor," Jenschke said.

McKayla Padilla, a senior on the Cedar Park team has noticed an increase in intensity during practice under Coach Jenschke. "Players are now more focused and serious," she said.

"Really, I'd say the only transition has been adjusting to her authority and coaching style," Padilla said.

One aspect coach Jenschke has emphasized is the need for running, both in distance and in periods of time.

Both Jenschke and the Cedar Park team feel that this is their year with 10 seniors on the team, four of whom have been regulars on the team since their freshman year.

As the Maegan Barber, pitcher of the Lady Timberwolves put it, "It's now or never."



Kaki Little, the granddaughter of Leon and Nell Dean Bagwell of Gruver, recently spoke to the students of Gruver High School. She is a state FFA officer for Colorado. She got her FFA start at Sunray High School.



Jessica Montgomery was selected District FFA President for the 2004-2005 school year at the April 26th district meeting held in Pampa. She will succeed Colby Red, also of Gruver, who served as president for the 2003-2004 school year.

## The Gruver Grapevine

by Harletta Carthel

### Flea Market Time Nears

Time is fast-approaching for the first annual Gruver Chamber of Commerce Flea Market.

The Gruver City Park will be the location for the Saturday, May 22, event which will begin at 10 a.m.

Food booths already designated are Dicardas ( a fajita-type dish), frozen cherry limes, cotton candy, and a fruit stand with more food booths. anticipated.

Other booths already booked are homemade knives, handmade purses, China painting demonstrations, China painted items, and free games for children.

The purpose of the flea market is to attract people to Gruver. It is hoped that the flea market will be an annual event and put Gruver on the map each May.

For more information or booth rental, contact Lisa Salmans, 733-2861 or Holly McLain at Main Street Store 733-5040.

Booths are \$10 for an 8'x10' space.

### Little Olympics Set

The Gruver Lions Club Little Olympics has been set for this Saturday, May 15, beginning at 9 a.m. at Greyhound Stadium.

### Junior High Slate Picnic

Junior high students will enjoy a picnic and outing at Lake Palo Duro Thursday, May 13.

### Condolences Extended

Belated sympathy is extended to the Curt Fitzgeard family in the loss of Trisha's mother Janice Ivy.

### Slough, Lions Club Guest

Nick Slough was the Lions Club guest May 5. Nick is a senior at GHS and the son of Alice and Kenneth Slough.

### Sneed Honored

#### By Canadian Boosters

Glenda (Bell) Sneed was honored by the Canadian Booster Club as the fan of the year.

Although Glenda is currently living in Gruver, she continues to follow Canadian sports, and just recently was at the regional track meet in Abilene.

### Gruver Resident On Fox

#### High School Show

Cami Shapley Jenschke and her Cedar Park Lady Timberwolf softball team were seen on the Fox network at 9:45 p.m. Sunday night as it highlighted teams vying in state playoffs.

## TEXAS SILVER-HAIRED LEGISLATURE ELECTION

There will be an election for the four Texas Silver Haired Legislature members representing the Texas Panhandle on Tuesday, May 25th from 8:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. To vote in this election, you must be age 60 or older and a registered voter living in the top 26 counties in the Texas Panhandle. There will be eleven voting places through out the Panhandle. Please remember to bring your voter registration card with you. The locations in your area are:

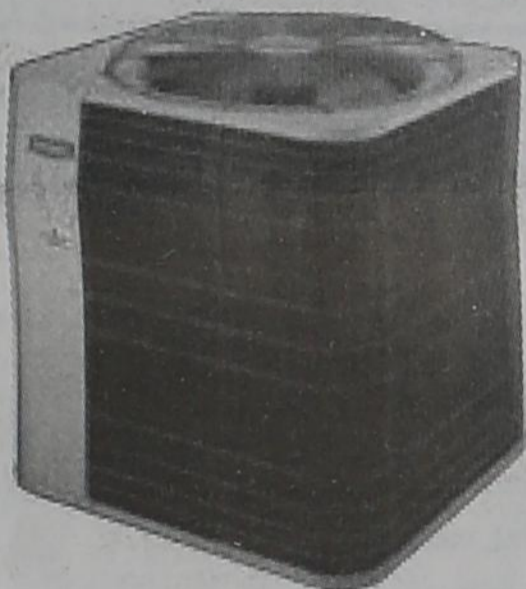
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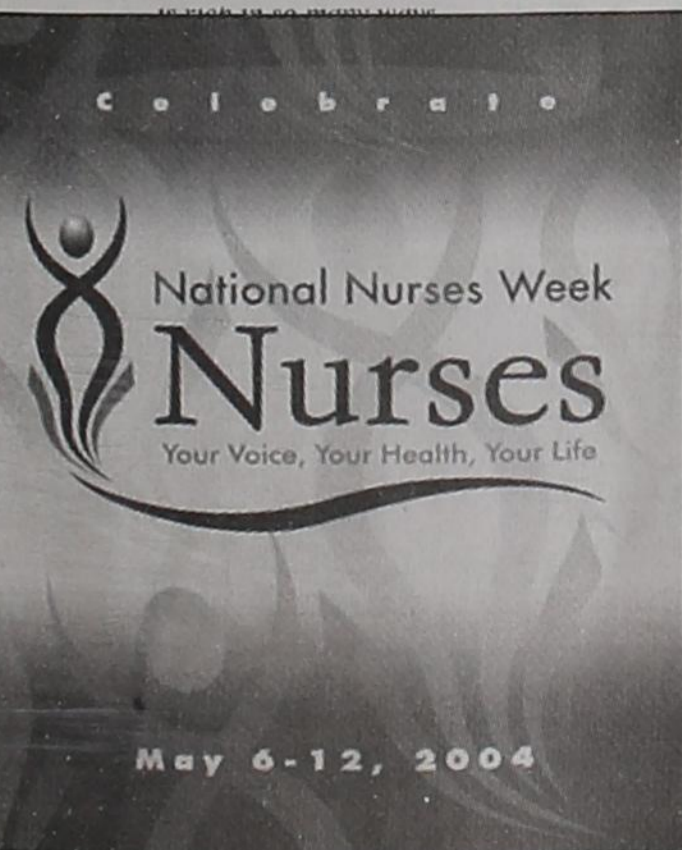
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- Rosetta Barrera, LVN 10/10/1973
- Regina Biggers, RN 5/9/2000
- Charla Hargis, RN 2/12/1980
- Cheryl Freeman, RN 9/18/2000
- Judith Anders, RN 12/20/1980
- Tanja Whitefield, LVN 12/6/2000
- Virginia Martin, LVN 5/31/1987
- Cleo Hughes, LVN 12/7/2000
- Beth McIntyre, RN 10/29/1990
- Kayla Coutts, RN 6/20/2001
- Lelia Bynum, RN 7/10/1991
- Christa Covell, RN 12/12/2001
- Rosa Ortiz, LVN 1/10/1994
- Jan Ellsworth, RN 12/27/2001
- Tammy Herndon, RN 4/11/1995
- Connie Gibson, RN 7/9/2001
- Vicki Risner, LVN 6/5/1995
- Elizabeth Hartsell, LVN 8/12/2001
- Shirley Kimbrough, RN 11/6/1995
- Sue Watts, LVN 9/13/2001
- April DeLaRosa, LVN 5/27/1996
- Joann Schneider, RN 4/22/2000
- Dawn Hearon, RN 10/8/1996
- Marsha Kuehl, RN 5/1/2003
- Geraldine Holmes, RN 8/21/1997
- Carmen L'Esperance, RN 1/12/2003
- Stacie Ruga, RN 3/16/1998
- Sharon Whitefield, RN 6/23/2003
- Sharon Sutton, RN 6/25/1998
- Linda Dodson, NP 2/10/2003
- Deloris Guthrie, LVN 3/4/1999
- Shelene Jines, LVN 8/1/2003
- Jeanne Swan, LVN 3/22/1999
- Tina Marchman, LVN 9/25/2003
- Melissa Taylor, LVN 6/7/1999
- Carla Mayberry, LVN 5/21/2003
- Jane Russell, RN 7/8/1999
- Danita Sanders, LVN 6/21/2003
- Kenda Boyd, RN 4/16/2000

# VOTE

for

## Glen Ray Mackie

Sat., May 15, 2004

for

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**Paul Stavlo**



**Family Members:** wife, Barbara; children, Charlie, a student at Texas A & M University and daughter, Sammie, a student at Texas Tech University  
**Occupation:** rancher  
**What organizations/clubs are you a member of?** no response  
**Church affiliation:** Oslo Lutheran Church  
**Background/Education:** Gruver High School, two years of college. Could see it would take several more years. Chose cattle business instead in 1974.  
**What do you think the biggest problems are facing the school district?** no response  
**What changes or improvements would you seek as a school board member?** no response  
**What do you view as the role of a school board member?** hire the superintendent, work with him, follow the law. Spend no more money that we have!! Use the money the best way possible.  
**What special qualities or qualifications do you possess which would make you an efficient school board member?** hire the superintendent, work with him, follow the law. Spend no more money that we have!! Use the money the best way possible.

**Heart Catholic Church, Spearman**  
**Background/Education:** Raised in Gruver, graduated from Gruver High School in 1978; graduated from Texas Tech University in 1983 with a BS in Ag Economics  
**Hobbies/Interests:** sports, basketball official, church youth group, reading  
**What do you think the biggest problems are facing the school district?** declining enrollment and school finance  
**What changes or improvements would you seek as a school board member?** no response  
**What do you view as the role of a school board member?** To hire and evaluate the superintendent and to advise him regarding policy and personnel and finance. To also be available to community concerns.  
**What special qualities or qualifications do you possess which would make you an efficient school board member?** no response  
**Comments:** The school board has faced many hard decisions the last three years. I have always done what I thought was best for the district and the children.

**Carolyn Shields**  
**Family Members:** married to Jim; two sons, Alan and Steve; one daughter, Connie; nine grandchildren  
**Occupation:** farmer/housewife  
**What organizations/clubs are you a member of?** no response  
**Church Affiliation:** no response  
**Background/Education:** some college; Morse High School graduate; 8 years as board trustee; lifetime resident of district  
**Hobbies/Interests:** no response  
**What do you think the biggest problems are facing the school district?** state of Texas school finance system  
**What do you view as the role of a school board member?** I feel a commitment to provide quality education for every student in the district.  
**What do you like best about Hansford County?** Hansford County is a great place to live and raise your children. The people in our county are hardworking and honest people. They always have an extended hand to help those who need help and everybody knows and helps each other.  
**What special qualities or qualifications do you possess which would make you an efficient school board member?** eight years as a board trustee

**James Lieb**  
**Family Members:** Sharon, wife; son, Jacob, age 11; Audrey, age 9  
**Occupation:** farmer/rancher  
**What organizations/clubs are you a member of?** board member of the Texas Tech Wesley Foundation  
**Church Affiliation:** Morse Baptist Church  
**Background/Education:** graduate of Pringle-Morse School, 1980; Spearman High School, 1984; Texas Tech BS Ag Economics, 1989  
**Hobbies/Interests:** I love raising animals. I enjoy helping the kids with their 4-H steer and pig projects. I also enjoy attending Red Raider games.  
**What do you think the biggest problems are facing the school district?** The problems that face the school district seem to be created in Austin for the most part not from within the district. Funding of our schools is the biggest problem that faces our school district.  
**What changes or improvements would you seek as a school board member?** I think we can always learn new and better ways to educate our children. As a school board member, I would hope to provide those resources to our children.  
**What do you view as the role of a school board member?** My role would be to represent the best interest of our children and their education in our district.  
**What special qualities or qualifications do you possess which would make you an efficient school board member?** I think I am level headed and fair with all people and want the best education for our students.

**Bob Zimmer**  
 No Response

**Bob Boxwell**  
**Family Members:** wife, Candy; two daughters, Regan and Erin  
**Occupation:** funeral director  
**What organizations/clubs are you a member of?** Board of Directors for the O'Loughlin Center and the Golden Spread Senior Citizens Center  
**Church Affiliation:** First Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)  
**Background/Education:** BBA from Texas Christian University  
**What do you think the biggest problems are facing the school district?** Maintaining quality education for our children considering the Texas Legislator's lack of political will to adequately fund public schools; Keeping quality education alive in spite of decreasing student enrollment, fluctuating property values and unfunded state mandates.  
**What changes or improvements would you seek as a school board member?** Nothing specific - I do, however thin that we must always seek to improve our schools. I believe if better is possible, good is not enough.  
**What do you view as the role of a school board member?** To provide leadership for administrators and staff with the good of setting policies to encourage improvement and excellence in our school; To hire the best personnel possible; Provide a channel of communication between the community and school  
**What special qualities or qualifications do you possess which would make you an efficient school board member?** Twelve years of experience as a bond member; 32 years experience managing a business; A genuine passion for providing the best education for our children

**Stephanie Crossland**  
**Family Members:** Husband, Junior Crossland, production Superintendent for Transpetco; daughter, Jessica Crossland, a sophomore at Texas Tech University in Lubbock; my parents are Don and Wanda Reed of Spearman  
**Occupation:** employed at Brown, Graham and Company  
**What organizations/clubs are you a member of?** 2 terms as a Trustee of Spearman ISD, serving as secretary for three years; past president of the Spearman Chamber of Commerce; member of Beta Sigma Phi Sorority  
**Church Affiliation:** member of the First United Methodist Church  
**Background/Education:** 1977 graduate of Spearman High School; currently I am enrolled at Frank Phillips College  
**What do you think the biggest problems are facing the school district?** I feel the biggest problem facing the school district and the problem that concerns me the most is state and local funding for the education of our students. I feel the needs of smaller, rural districts are often overlooked by the legislature. The best funding situation for the metropolitan areas usually does not give enough aide to the smaller districts. Unfunded Federal and State mandated programs require additional local resources and the monies to implement those programs, as they are intended, has not been made available to the school districts.

**Todd Williams**  
**Family Members:** wife, Janet; one son, Lance Williams; one daughter, Lindsey Clift  
**Occupation:** farmer/rancher  
**What organizations/clubs are you a member of?** Gruver Booster Club  
**Church Affiliation:** First Baptist Church  
**Background/Education:** graduated from Gruver High School; received a BS in Animal Science from Texas Tech University  
**Hobbies/Interests:** following high school sports, fishing, hunting and camping; I also like to help the kids with their 4-H and FFA animal projects.  
**What do you think the biggest problems are facing the school district?** the way the state is regulating the school finances  
**What changes or improvements would you seek as a school board member?** to get better communications between everyone involved in running the school  
**What do you view as the role of a school board member?** To have an open line of communication with faculty, administration and the people of Gruver and help the school district make good decisions so that the school thrives.

**Davin Winger**  
**Family Members:** wife, Teague; three children, Ryan, 17, Reid, 16, and Leigh Anne, 12  
**Occupation:** farmer  
**What organizations/clubs are you a member of?** no response  
**Church Affiliation:** Sacred

**Comments:** Things are changing fast in federal, state, and local finance. Small schools don't carry much weight. We have to learn to get along better and adapt to the future. If we don't, we will lose our school.

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- 1- 1985 JD 4850 MFWD TRACTOR, CAB, 3pt PTO, PS TRANS, 3 HYDS, 18.4 x 42 DUALS (SN008600)
- 1- 1984 JD 4850 MFWD TRACTOR, CAB, 3pt PTO, PS TRANS, 3 HYDS, WTS. 18.4 x 42 RUBBER (SN003282)
- 1- 1974 JD 4430 DIESEL TRACTOR, CAB, AIR, HTR, RDO, PS TRANS, w/ JD 158 FRONT END LOADER, 18.4 x 38 RUBBER (SN 060296R)
- 1- IHC 780 HI BOY TRACTOR w/ ROPE WICK
- 1- 1994 JD 9600 COMBINE, CAB LOADED w/ JD 930 GRAIN PLATFORM
- 1- JD 843, 8-ROW CORN HEAD w/ PICK UP ATTACHMENT
- 1- JD 853-A, 8-ROW CORN HEAD

**GRAIN CARTS & ROAD GRADER**

- 1- BIG 12, 600 BU GRAIN CART
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- 1- NEW HOLLAND 910 SELF PROPELLED SWATHER, 16' HEADER, CAB, AIR, HTR
- 1- JD 1600 SWING TYPE SWATHER w/ 15' CUT - GOOD SHAPE
- 1- JD 858 SIDE DELIVERY RAKE
- 1- NEW HOLLAND 855 ROUND BALER
- 1- SHOP BUILT SINGLE AXLE SWATHER TRAILER
- 1- NEW HOLLAND 890 DRAG TYPE FORAGE HARVESTER
- 1- SWATHER TRAILER w/ FOLDING RAMPS
- 1- NEW HOLLAND 80 BALE MOVER
- 1- SHOP MADE HAY FORK
- 1- 3pt BALE SPIKE

**FARM EQUIPMENT**

- 1- KRAUSE MOD 4956 FOLDING TANDEM OFFSET DISC
- 1- JD 7100 8-ROW PLANTER w/ MARKERS
- 1- JD 825, 3pt CULTIVATOR
- 1- JD 11 SHANK V-RIPPER HEAVY DUTY w/ GUAGE WHEELS
- 1- LILLISTON 3pt 8-ROW ROLLING CULTIVATOR
- 1- BIGHAM BROS. HEAVY DUTY 21' TOOL BAR, 3pt 9 SHANK RIPPER w/ COLTERS & GUAGE WHLS
- 2- 15' DRAG TYPE SHREDDER w/ SOLID TIRES
- 1- REYNOLDS BAR, LISTER FERT RIG w/ DOUBLE GUAGE WHLS, MARKERS & HITCH
- 1- MILLER 20' OFFSET DISC
- 1- JD 940 LAND PLANE
- 1- EDWARDS-35' DEEP FURROW HOE DRILLS w/ MARKERS & TRANSPORT SYSTEM
- 1- SHOP BUILT 3pt SPRAY RIG
- 1- CULTIPACKER, 3pt 21'
- 1- 21' TOOL BAR w/ LIQUID FERT SET UP
- 1- 3 BAR TOOL BAR 21' 3pt w/ GUAGE WHLS
- 1- LILLISTON ROLLING CULTIVATOR w/ PARTS
- 1- DOUBLE DIAMOND 3pt TOOL BAR
- 1- IHC 500, 8 ROW AIR PLANTER
- 1- LIGHTFOOT, 2 WHL BROADCAST FERT RIG

**TRAILERS**

- 1- 25 TON LOWBOY HEAVY EQUIP TRAILER w/ WALKING BEAM AXLE w/ 24" 6" DECK & 11" NECK, BRIDGE TIMBER FLOOR, BUILT IN TOOL BOXES, NEW PAINT & TANDEM DUAL AXLES
- 1- FRUEHAUF 40' STORAGE VAN TRAILER ON AXLE & WHEELS
- 1- WW 20' GOOSENECK TANDEM AXLE STOCK TRAILER FULL TOP w/ 6" HOLE WHEELS
- 1- C & S SINGLE AXLE 5' x 14' STOCK TRAILER, FRONT GATE & NEW FLOOR
- 1- 16' TANDEM AXLE STOCK TRAILER w/ 1/2 TOP
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- 1- 2 WHEEL PICKUP BED TRAILER

**LIVESTOCK**

- 1- E-Z WIRE ROLLER w/ GAS ENG
- 2- STOCK WATERING TANKS
- 1- BAR SIX CAKE FEEDER
- 1- FEED MIXER BED
- 2- BADGER INSILAGE FEEDER WAGONS, PTO DRIVEN
- 1- CATTLE GUARD
- SEVERAL CATTLE FEED TROUGHS
- 1- MANUAL CATTLE WORKING CHUTE

**TANKS & TRAILERS**

- 1- 500 gal FUEL TANK w/ 12v PUMP ON 4 WHL TRAILER
- 1- 300 gal POLY TANK ON SINGLE AXLE w/ HYD PUMP
- 1- 1500-2000 gal WATER TANK
- 1- 1000 gal FUEL TANK ON JD CHASSIS w/ 12v PUMP
- 2- OVERHEAD FUEL TANKS ON STAND - 500 gal
- 3- SMALL FUEL TANKS

**IRRIGATION ENGINES, PIPE & SUPPLIES**

- 1- MM 800 HD IRR ENG
- 1- LOT MM IRR ENG PARTS
- 1- CHEMIGATION UNIT
- MISC IRR SOCKS & PIPE GASKETS
- 1- CENTURY ELECT TAIL WATER PUMP
- APPROX 100 jts. 6" x 30' GATED 40" ALUM IRR PIPE
- APPROX 50 jts. 8" x 30' GATED 40" ALUM IRR PIPE
- 1- EXTRA LARGE LOT OF JUNK ALUM
- 1- LARGE LOT ALUM IRR T's, L's, 45 PLUGS, HYDRANTS & ETC
- 1- MM 800 IRR ENG
- 1- AGRI - INJECT CHEMIGATION SYSTEM
- 1- AG-TRONIC GENERATOR
- 1- PIPE TRAILER

**SHOP TOOLS & EQUIPMENT**

- 1- BATTERY CHARGER
- 1- SHOP VAC
- 1- PORTABLE AIR TANK
- MISC JACKS
- GREASE GUNS
- 1- MILLER BLUE STAR WELDER
- 1- LOT MISC OIL PUMPS
- 1- CROSS BED TOOL BOX
- 1- 2- WHEEL CART
- SEVERAL BARREL STANDS
- 1- LARGE SHOP MADE BARREL STAND, HOLDS 8 BARRELS w/ ELECT PUMP
- 1- LOT MISC HAND TOOLS
- 1- HYD SHOP PRESS
- 1- ELECT CHOP SAW
- 1- CAROLINA INDUSTRIAL BAND SAW
- 1- WAYNE LARGE UPRIGHT SHOP AIR COMPRESSOR, ELECT MTR
- 1- LOT MISC OIL PUMPS
- 1- ALUM SCOP LADDER
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# SJH Reaches Receipt Goal

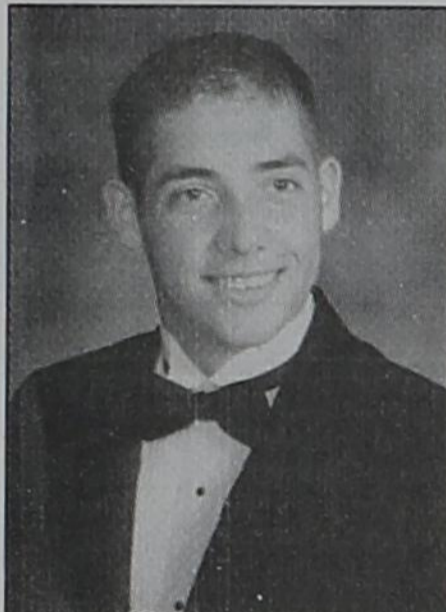


Spearman Jr. High Principal Bill Wiggins

Spearman Junior High is proud to announce that they have reached the goal they set for earning prizes for their school through the Lowe's Receipt Program. Mrs. Strawn's 7th & 8th Grade Gifted & Talented Class set up a business and became known as the "Red Hot Receipt Collectors". They each had specific job duties that included: setting up boxes around the school and the community to collect receipts, totaling the receipts, sending the receipts off to Lowe's program headquarters, selecting needed educational equipment to order, etc. Probably one of the most important things that they did was to keep students and teachers motivated to bring receipts by holding competitions each six weeks. Some of the prizes won during the competitions were a pizza party, a movie party, and a popcorn party. The last competition, and the most exciting, was between the entire Jr. High and Mr. Wiggins. If SJH could raise \$50,000 during the 5th 6 weeks, Mr. Wiggins would provide the students with a nacho party and some entertainment...him dancing to the Macarena. Needless to say, the goal was reached and Mr. Wiggins put on his dancing shoes!!

SJH would like to thank all of those who helped support this year's Lowe's Receipt Program and helped SJH to reach a year-long grand total of \$201,600.45. The school was able to acquire a digital camcorder, a DVD player, a laminator, a color printer, and a digital camera dock. A special thanks to Lowe's, Celebrate, First State Bank, First National Bank, Dreamer's, Simple Simon's, Mr. Wiggins, and SJH teachers and students. We could not have done it without you!!

## February Student Of The Month



Gruber High School senior Carlos Borunda has been named the February Student of the Month.

Borunda competed in football and basketball for four years and was all district honorable mention wide-receiver in football his senior year. He was all district honorable mention guard in basketball his sophomore year, second team all-

district guard his junior year and the 1-A defensive player MVP his senior year. He recently competed in the Golden Spread All Star Classic.

A four-year tennis team member, he and partner Cass Cooper advanced to the regional tennis tournament this spring.

He has been active in FFA, FCCLA, and Fellowship of Christian Athletes.

The son of Sylvia Borunda of Gruber, Carlos plans to attend West Texas A&M University.

He enjoys playing basketball and tennis, listening to music and going to movies.

"I like Gruber because everyone gets along with each other, and it is a peaceful little town," Borunda said.

He lists his favorite teacher as Mr. Kern.

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<p><b>Gruver ISD</b></p> <p>May 14 - Bad Weather Day, School Holiday</p> <p>May 15 - School Board Election; HS; 7 a.m.-7 p.m.</p> <p>May 21 - Bad Weather Day, School Holiday</p> <p><b>Gruver High School</b></p> <p>May 14-15 - State Track Meet; Austin</p> <p>May 14-15 - Area I FFA Convention; Amarillo</p> <p>May 17 - Athletic Banquet; 7 p.m.</p> <p>May 19 - Lions Club</p> <p>May 23 - Baccalaureate; 7 p.m.</p> <p><b>Gruver Jr. High</b></p> <p>May 13 - All-School Picnic at Palo Duro Lake</p> <p><b>Spearman ISD</b></p> <p>May 15 - School Board Election; HS; 7 a.m.-7 p.m.</p> <p>May 18 - Immunization Clinic; JH Life Skills Room; 10:30 a.m.-12 noon &amp; 1-3 p.m.</p> <p>May 24 - Called School Board Meeting; canvas election; HS Library; 7 p.m.</p> <p><b>Spearman High School</b></p> <p>May 13 - Band Concert; HS Auditorium; 7 p.m.</p> <p>May 14-15 - State Track Meet; Austin</p> <p>May 14-15 - FFA Area I Convention; Amarillo</p> <p>May 17 - FFA Banquet; HS Cafeteria; 6:30 p.m.</p> <p>May 18 - Choir Concert; HS Auditorium; 7 p.m.</p> <p>May 19 - HS Awards Assembly; Auditorium; 1:30 p.m.</p> <p>May 20-21 - Senior Trip to Quartz Mountain</p> <p>May 22 - Athletic Banquet; O'Loughlin Center; 6:30 p.m.</p>	<p>May 23 - Baccalaureate; HS Auditorium; 7 p.m.</p> <p><b>Spearman Jr. High</b></p> <p>May 6 - Mrs. Baker's Class AR Trip</p> <p>May 7 - Jr. High Dance; Cracker Box Gym; 6-9 p.m.</p> <p>May 13 - Band Concert; HS Auditorium; 7 p.m.</p> <p>May 14 - 8th Grade Trip to Amarillo</p> <p>May 18 - Choir Concert; HS Auditorium; 7 p.m.</p> <p>May 21 - Mrs. Baker's Class AR Trip to Movies; Lyric Cinema</p> <p><b>Gus Birdwell Elementary</b></p> <p>May 13 - Kindergarten Musical; 8:30 a.m.</p> <p>May 14 - First Grade to Pampa; 8 a.m.-2 p.m.</p> <p>May 18 - Hansford County Library to present plans for Summer Reading Program</p> <p>May 20 - 2nd Grade Field Trip to Liberal; 8:30 a.m.-2 p.m.</p> <p>May 21 - Elementary AR Movie Party; 12:30 p.m.</p> <p>May 24 - 4th Grade Field Trip to Canyon; 8 a.m.-2:30 p.m.</p> <p><b>Pringle-Morse CISD</b></p> <p>May 13 - 8th Grade Field Trip - Discovery Center</p> <p>May 13 - 2nd-4th Grade Field Trip; Alligator Ranch &amp; Palo Duro Lake</p> <p>May 14 - Texas Day (alternate day May 18)</p> <p>May 20 - PeeWee Track Meet; 12 noon (alternate day May 21)</p> <p>May 21 - Morse Days</p> <p>May 24 - Awards Assembly</p>
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(L-R) Judith Anders, RN, Certifications in TNCC, Chemotherapy, CPR; Stacie Ruga, RN, Certifications in CPR, ACLS, TNC, PALS  
Not pictured are Marsha Kuehl, RN, Certified in ACLS; Connie Gibson, RN, QI, Risk Manager, CPR; Sharon Sutton, RN, Swing Bed Coordinator, Infection Control Nurse, ACLS Certified, CPR

(Front, L-R) Kenda Boyd, RN, Certified in ACLS, CPR; Kayla Coutts, RN, Certifications in ACLS, TNC, CPR, EMT-B; Tammy Herndon, RN, Certifications in ACLS, TNC, BLS, CPR; Rosa Ortiz, LVN, Certified in ACLS, CPR; (Back, L-R) Gina Biggers, RN, Certifications in ACLS, TNCC, CPR; Tanja Whitefield, LVN, Certifications in ACLS, CPR; Beth McIntyre, RN, Certifications in ACLS, TNC, Chemotherapy, CPR; Christa Covell, RN, Certifications in ACLS, PALS, CPR; Joann Schneider, RN, DON, Certifications in ACLS, TNC, ENPC, CPR

**NATIONAL HOSPITAL WEEK**  
May 9-15, 2004

The celebration of National Hospital Week began in 1921 when a magazine editor suggested that more information about hospitals might alleviate public fears about the "shrouded" institutions of the day. From that beginning, Hospital Week expanded to facilities across the nation. Today, through promotion and participation, National Hospital Week has grown into the nation's largest health care event.

During National Hospital Week, May 9-15, 2004, facilities across the nation are uniting under the theme "Miracles Start With Caring Hearts."

When asked what these nurses like best about being a nurse in Spearman, their answers were "taking care of and making a difference in the lives of people we know and love."

Joann Schneider, RN, Director of Nursing Services at Hansford Hospital, stated that, "I feel very fortunate to have the opportunity to work with the greatest group of nurses around. I have been very impressed with the expertise, caring attitude, and teamwork of the Hospital Nursing Staff since my second day working at Hansford Hospital."

**Miracles Start With CARING HEARTS**

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**7 a.m.-7 p.m.**

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# Out At The Lake

by Dorothy Hudson

Lake Level--May 10, 2004--25.55 feet (-0.13)

The water level is now below the gauge at the intake tower, so Jim will need to find another method of measuring the depth.

Saturday night about 12:30, Santiago Becerril and his friends had decided to call their fishing quits, when Santiago had something on his line that felt like he was pulling in a log. According to Alex Marquez when the fish was pulled out of the water, they all were very excited and, since so many fish are lost at that juncture, they all grabbed onto the fish. One man was bitten. When they got the 34 inch-long walleye landed, they took it to Jim to weigh. One set of scales showed 14.25 and the other 14.50 pounds. The fish set an unofficial lake record. Jim said the game warden called on hearing of the fish and told them he would have gotten up and come over to weigh it. If it had been properly weighed and certified, it would have been the state record.



Santiago Becerril caught this 14.25-pound Walleye, on Saturday night, May 8, 2004. This is a lake record. It is also a potential state record, if all records are filed and approved.

There were 9 campers behind the dam and 1 on the office side. The campers seemed glad to have the showers open. The staff in planning to build showers for the office side, too.

Wild flowers are blooming, and the wildlife is more visible. Birds are nesting. The Scissortails are nesting near the

entrance and also in the camping circle below the office.

Jim also mentioned that snakes were moving, and that he was mainly seeing them on the roads. The Coachwhip racers move across at an unbelievable speed, but the 2 rattlesnakes he saw took their time.

Grandson Daniel Harris has

killed and skinned a rattlesnake and a speckled king snake recently. He has learned to tan the skins. This was his first time to see a king snake. I was envious because, although I've heard much of my life about king snakes and how they kill rattlesnakes, I've never seen one. This unlucky king snake was in the hen house most likely looking for mice. Daniel said the snake had a partially digested mouse in its stomach.

Note: Mona Pugh and John Gibson now have three baby house finches in the nest on their door.

# Manor Matters

by Merry Sparks

Thank you to the First Christian Church of Spearman for the services at the Manor on the 2nd of May. We appreciate each one of you for giving your time and talent for the residents.

Monday morning chores were interrupted for the Newscurrents program. It was very informative and interesting. Much more fun than cleaning out the rabbit cage! Well, this is just like home--we have to do a little maintenance as the days go by. We all enjoy the animals and plants enough to make it well worth the time it takes to maintain them.

Monday afternoon we had our very first life enrichment class. This is a study led by Gary Smalley to help us learn how to handle difficult situations and difficult people. The first class was attended by 16 residents and was well received. Many commented on how entertaining he is as a speaker and how easy it is to understand the principles outlined on his videos. That night the 20th Century Club hosted bingo. We appreciate everyone who came. The residents enjoy seeing the different faces, visiting and playing bingo.

Tuesday morning 16 residents, 4 volunteers, and the activity staff attended the Neil Hess performers program at the elementary school gym. It was very entertaining! There were 7 year olds that could sing and perform as well as the older college age performers. They sang, danced, and acted. One even did a recitation that was hilarious! When we arrived there, we were greeted with students ready and

eager to help us transport the residents in for the program. Thank you guys! Thank you also to Claudine Laxton, Margaret Evans, Judy Nelson, Elaine Odegaard, and Virginia Taylor for your help. It was a great program.

That afternoon, we had five volunteers on hand, Sharon Barkley, Teresa Kirk, Scooter Russell, Judy Yarbrough, and Carolyn Taylor to help with manicures for all of the residents. It takes quite a bit of time as we soak, clean, file, and if wanted, paint their nails. We also do many of the men's nails. We wanted everybody's done before Mother's Day. Thank you to the volunteers who helped make it happen.

Wednesday morning Ann Whitaker was back from her trip and led Bible study. Thank you, Ann!!

That afternoon we had a rip roaring Cinco de Mayo celebration in the dining room. The staff decorated the dining room and wore pancho's and sombreros as we listened to Spanish music and danced and served chips & dips and drank our margaritas. Yes, we had margaritas and they were delicious!! Everyone seemed to enjoy them. I did catch one guy wanting to spike the punch though. We had to keep an eye on him. I think they tasted just as good in the salt rimmed glasses without the tequila as they possibly would have with it. We had a great time.

Thursday morning was filled with music and exercise. After lunch, the auxiliary hosted bingo. Thank you to the

auxiliary!

Friday morning we played kickball in the living room. We had to keep enlarging our circle to let someone new in. It was a lot of fun and a lot of exercise. After lunch, we had a very special "High Tea" in honor of mothers and grandmothers. We had decorated the Activity Room and prepared many special delicacies such as chocolate dipped strawberries, frozen, sugared grapes, various homemade cookies, a variety of cheeses with crackers and tea, lemonade, and spiced tea. Janie Kunselman presented a small program on the history of Mother's Day, some humorous quotes on mothers and then announced that later in the evening we were having a prom dress style show. That's when I just had to come out in my red dress and re-enact my first prom. What a hoot. My hose were down around my ankles and I did not even know it. The residents and visitors laughed and laughed. Fresh roses were given to each woman in the Manor for Mother's Day.

Friday evening we were blessed with five young ladies and one young man that modeled their prom attire for the residents. Claudia Vaquera, Mandy Hunter, Christen Ferguson, Holly Tercero, Christina Salgado and Deremy Randall did an excellent job of modeling. The residents were in the dining room and as I described each one, they walked the length of the dining room, around the end and back. They each looked beautiful in their dresses and Deremy in his tux. Afterwards, we were back in the activity room for a photo shoot. It was a great week at the Manor!

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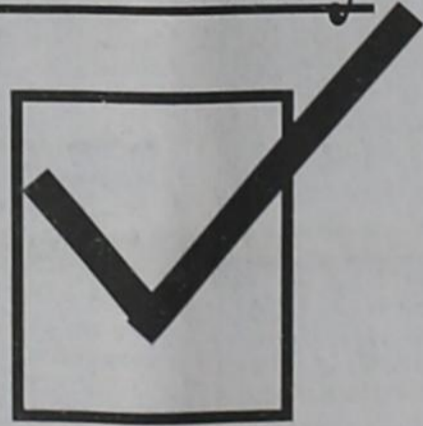
National Nursing Home Week began on May 9 and will continue through May 15, 2004.

This year's theme, "Embracing Our Heritage," calls on patients, family members, caregivers, and volunteers to reflect on the past and to contemplate the future by participating in special group activities.

In celebration of National Nursing Home Week, the Hansford County Hospital District Board of Directors, Senior Administration, District Employees and Medical Staff would like to extend a heartfelt thanks to the staff at Hansford Manor for their hard work and dedication



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