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## Marriage License Fee Increases

Beginning September 1, 2008, the fee for a marriage license will increase to \$72. However, there is a way to get part of that fee waived.

The legislature passed HB 2685 last session, which authorizes a statewide initiative to promote "Healthy Marriages."

The healthy marriage initiative in Texas promotes free, skills-based marriage education and provides couples with the tools they need to manage the challenges inherent to relationships. Classes taught in various venues around the state include eight hours of training focusing on communication skills, conflict resolution and the elements of a healthy marriage.

Beginning September 1st, the couples who take the course and are provided a certificate by the approved providers, will have the added benefit of having \$60 of the marriage license fee waived. The only cost to the couple who have the certification is \$12 instead of the regular \$72 for a marriage license.

For more information on where these courses are offered, go to [www.family-service.org](http://www.family-service.org).

## Weather Forecast

THURSDAY NIGHT - Partly cloudy. Lows around 60. Northeast winds 10 to 15 mph.

FRIDAY - Partly cloudy. Highs in the upper 80s.

FRIDAY NIGHT - Partly cloudy. Lows in the lower 60s.

SATURDAY - Partly cloudy. Highs in the upper 80s.

SATURDAY NIGHT - Partly cloudy. Lows in the lower 60s.

SUNDAY - Partly cloudy. Highs in the lower 90s.

SUNDAY NIGHT - Partly cloudy in the evening then becoming mostly cloudy. Lows in the lower 60s.

LABOR DAY - Mostly cloudy with a 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Highs in the upper 80s.

MONDAY NIGHT - Partly cloudy in the evening then becoming mostly cloudy. A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Lows in the lower 60s.

TUESDAY - Mostly cloudy with a 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Highs in the upper 80s.

## First Day of School Gus Birdwell Elementary

Classes began at Gus Birdwell Elementary in Spearman on Monday, September 25, 2008 at 8 a.m. Principal P.J. Hanna welcomed 415 students through the new entrance on the North side of the building.

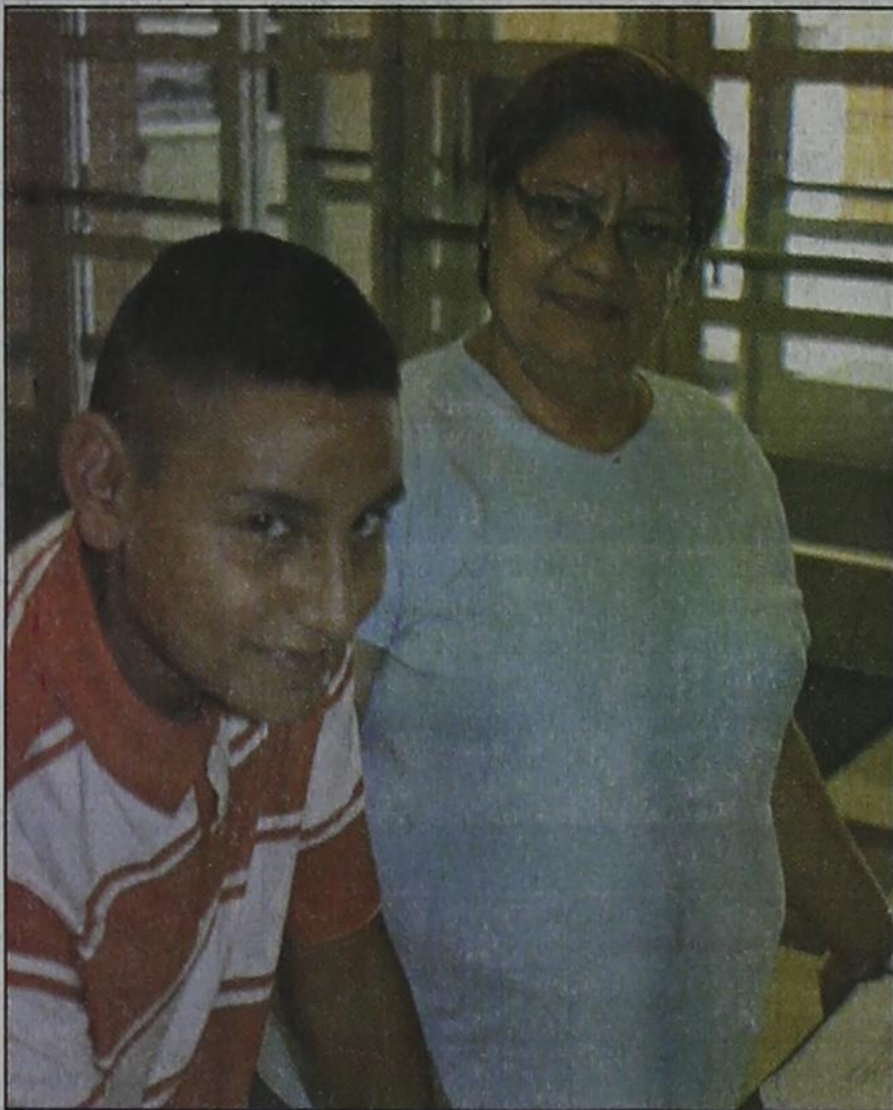


Wesley Tindell prepares to park his bike after riding it to school. (Photo courtesy of Rod Sumner, Spearman ISD Superintendent.)

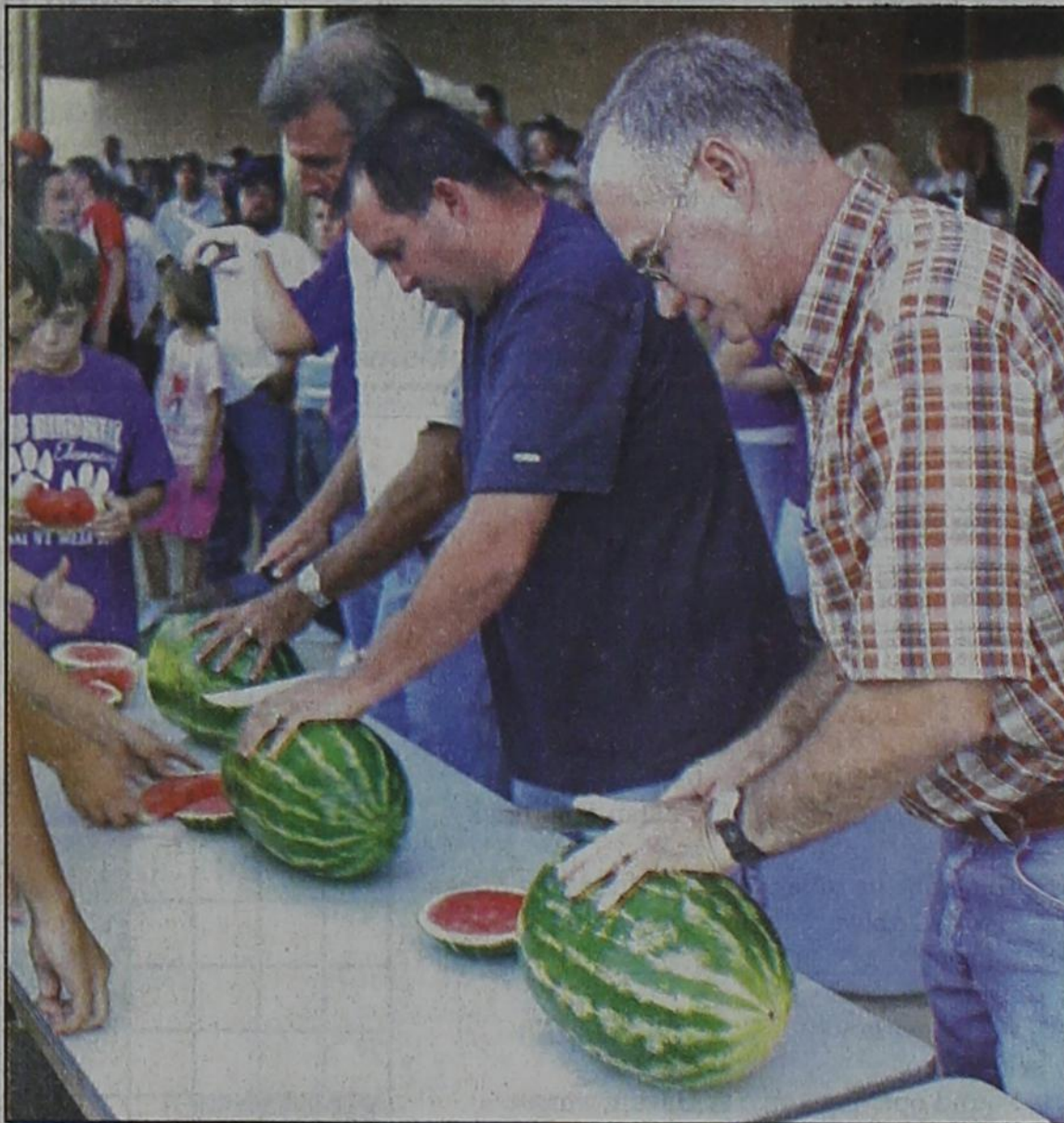


Telle Crum takes her daughter, Kira, to her first day of kindergarten. (Photo courtesy of Rod Sumner, Spearman ISD Superintendent.)

## Back-to-School Night/Open House



Omar Mendoza and his mother, Manuela, sign in at Spearman Junior High for Back-to-School night.



Spearman Lynx/Lynxette Booster Club members cut watermelon during Tuesday night's Meet The Lynx celebration. Members of the Spearman varsity and junior varsity football teams, cross country, cheerleaders and band members were introduced.



Michelle Marquez and Cody Villalobos enjoy hotdogs and cookies during Spearman ISD's Back-to-School night on Tuesday, August 26th.

## Closed Notice

The Hansford County Reporter-Statesman will be closed Monday, September 1st for Labor Day. The deadline for the September 4th issue will be Tuesday, September 2nd at 12 noon. Items submitted after the deadline will be published at a later date, as time and space permit.

Items may be submitted by phone (806-659-3434), fax (806-398-9080), mail (Reporter-Statesman, 213 Main Street, Spearman TX 79081), in person (310 Barkley Street, Spearman) or e-mail ([reporter@spearmanreporter.com](mailto:reporter@spearmanreporter.com)).

## Spearman Chamber of Commerce's

# Yard of the Week

Justin Harland

223 Dressen

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202 S. Hazelwood

Debbie Hornsby

514 S. Hazelwood

Jason Holton

710 Lee

John Kunselman

734 Wilbanks

If you have a yard you would like to nominate, please contact the Spearman Chamber of Commerce at 659-5555.



## COME TO THE GAME

SPEARMAN

vs Guymon

(scrimmage)

8/28 - 6:00 p.m. at Spearman



ruver

greyhounds

vs Wheeler

8/29 - 7:30 p.m. at Wheeler



**Lullabies, Legends & Lies**

by Parson Smith, the Prime Minister of Laughter

Back in 1994, I wrote a satirical column about the need for teachers to carry guns. It was meant to be absurd.

This week, absurdity became reality when the students at the Harrold School District returned to school not knowing which of their teachers were "packin' heat."

Harrold Superintendent David Thweatt said the board approved the policy of gun carrying teachers in an October open meeting that

had been publicized.

One young mother said, "I don't want my child looking over her shoulder wondering who's carrying a gun." Well, well Missy! Maybe you just ought to be careful to which teacher you say that!

Stop and think about it for a minute. Imagine the worst teacher that you have ever known. Do you really want that person standing in front of a class of kids with a shoulder holster holding a .357 magnum?

Can't you just imagine that teacher with the red pen who was always marking up your papers saying, "Go ahead... make my day?"

This amused me, until I read what one prominent politician had to say about this.

Gov. Rick Perry said he supports the policy because "there's a lot of incidents where that would have saved a number of lives."

Of course, some people think that this is a great idea.

What bothers me is that they are the kind of people who will be the "gun toters."

Until the next time,  
May God Bless.

**State Capital**



**HIGHLIGHTS**

AUSTIN - Their goal, they said, is to finance a "world-class transportation system."

Texas' top three elected officeholders co-signed an Aug. 19 letter to Texas Transportation Commission Chair Dierdre Delisi expressing their collective wishes for a plan to fund transportation projects over the next biennium.

Gov. Rick Perry, Lt. Gov. David Dewhurst and House Speaker Tom Craddick told Delisi to prepare for an Aug. 29 bond review board meeting with certain goals in mind:

- End the practice of funding the Texas Department of Public Safety with gas taxes that are needed for road construction. Use general revenue to fund the DPS.

- Create a finance entity that will allow the state's public investment fund managers to put money directly into state transportation projects that offer a "potential solid long-term return."

- Pass enabling legislation and appropriations for the Prop. 12 bonds approved by voters.

In November 2007, voters approved Prop. 12, amending the state constitution to authorize \$5 billion in general obligation bonds for transportation projects.

In September 2003, voters approved Prop. 14, allowing short-term borrowing by the Texas Department of Transportation. Perry, Dewhurst and Craddick instructed Delisi to prepare to begin selling \$1.5 billion in Prop. 14 bonds in September.

**Executive order begins Blue Alert**

An executive order signed by Gov. Rick Perry on Aug. 18 launched Blue Alert, a communications network to help track down suspects who flee after killing or seriously injuring federal, state or local law enforcement officers in the line of duty.

**STUDY SHOWS PROPERTY TAX RELIEF DID DELIVER**



by Ed Sterling

Blue Alert, based on the AMBER and Silver Alert programs, combines efforts of the DPS, the Governor's Division of Emergency Management and TxDOT.

When Blue Alert is activated, the suspect's vehicle information will be displayed across the state primarily via TxDOT dynamic message signs and media broadcasts. Alerts instruct the public to contact local law enforcement via 911 if they have information related to the offense.

**Immigration policies in question**

Two Republican state lawmakers have asked Attorney General Greg Abbott if the Texas Legislature has the authority to deter local governments from adopting policies, or invalidate existing policies that hinder state enforcement of federal immigration laws.

In the request for an opinion, Rep. Frank Corte of San Antonio and Sen. Dan Patrick of Houston wrote that "sanctuary cities" advocate policies that are favorable to illegal immigrants.

To support their views, the lawmakers cited the Oklahoma Taxpayer and Citizen Protection Act of 2007, which prohibits sanctuary cities and bars local governmental bodies from creating policies to limit or prevent local law enforcement officers from communicating or cooperating with federal officials on the immi-

gration status of a person.

**Online certification testing grows**

Applicants took more than 50,000 online Texas teacher certification tests via the Internet in the past year.

And, Texas is leading the nation in online certification testing, the Texas Education Agency reported Aug. 20. Online testing has been available in Texas since 2004-2005. Test takers have five hours to complete an exam, but the average completion time is between three and four hours. The results come back in about a week.

Karen Looft of the State Board for Educator Certification said she expects online testing eventually will be the sole method for certification but she does not expect paper and pencil tests to disappear anytime soon.

**Interim DPS director is named**

The Texas Public Safety Commission named Texas Highway Patrol Major Stan Clark of Garland interim director of the Texas DPS on Aug. 15.

Clark will take office on Sept. 1 and serve until the Texas Public Safety Commission, which oversees the DPS, has selected a permanent director.

Clark has been with the DPS since 1973. He has worked at DPS offices in Tyler and McAllen, and has been a member of the DPS Capitol Police force.

**CONSUMER ALERT: New Federal Trade Commission Rule Will Let Telephone Customers Avoid Prerecorded Telemarketing Calls**

The Federal Trade Commission (FTC) has announced a new rule governing telemarketing calls that feature prerecorded messages. Beginning Sept. 1, 2009, telemarketing companies must obtain call recipients' written permission before contacting them with a prerecorded message.

More immediately, effective Dec. 1, 2008, prerecorded telephone marketing calls must have an opt-out mechanism so that recipients can elect not to receive those unsolicited calls in the future.

Telemarketers with pre-existing customer relationships will be allowed to continue using prerecorded messages to contact those customers only for one year after the rule is published in

the Federal Register. At that time, telemarketing companies will need their customer's written permission before calling anyone with a prerecorded message.

Under the new regulations, charitable organizations can continue contacting their members or previous donors, but will need to offer an opt-out mechanism once the new rule goes into effect.

The FTC's new rule will not prohibit customers from receiving certain prerecorded informational calls, such as those which announce flight delay notifications, upcoming appointments, or similarly helpful information.

These phone calls are unaffected by the new rule because they are not used to market products or services

to the recipient. Healthcare-related phone calls also are exempt from the new regulations.

Under the new rule, the prerecorded telemarketing calls must:

- allow the telephone to ring for at least 15 seconds or four rings before an unanswered call is disconnected;
- begin the prerecorded message within two seconds of a completed greeting by the recipient;
- disclose at the outset of the call that the recipient may ask to be placed on the company's do-not-call list at any time during the message;
- in cases where the call is answered by a person, make an automated interactive voice and/or keypress-activated opt-out mechanism available during the message that adds the recipient's telephone number to the company's do-not-call list and then immediately ends the call; and
- in cases where the call is answered by an answering machine or voicemail, provide a toll-free number that allows the recipient to be connected to an automated interactive voice and/or keypress-activated opt-out mechanism anytime after the message is received.

The new rule can be viewed online at [www.ftc.gov](http://www.ftc.gov).

**Open Letter**

I'm searching for relatives or information on Marcus LeRoy Larson, died May 8, 1996 in Spearman TX. I am writing in the chance that someone at the paper might have known him. If so please contact me. Thank you for your consideration. His

grandmother and my great grandfather were brother and sister.

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Elk River, MN 55330  
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Freedom of speech is one of the guarantees of the First Amendment of our Constitution, so we encourage readers to express themselves, even if we don't agree with what is said. However, freedom involves responsibility. Therefore, the only letters we will consider publishing are from individuals who are willing for their names to appear with the letter. Letters must contain the telephone number, address and a personal signature of the writer. We will not knowingly publish any letter containing libelous statements.

In the event that numerous letters are received concerning the same subject, letters can be limited to one pro and one con letter per publication. Eligible letters will be published in the order in which they were received.

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**Woman High Jumps 3'11" at Local High School Track**

BEXAR COUNTY - After using Thera-Gesic® on her aching thighs, 49 year old Mary Ann W. says she caught olympic fever and easily soared over the bar. When asked who witnessed the feat, she painlessly replied, "None of your dang business!"



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**COWBOYS**

**ACROSS**

1. "Howdy, \_\_\_!"
5. Health resort
8. A little wet
12. One of the hip-bones, pl.
13. Oil group
14. Pertaining to hair
15. Grammy winner K.D.
16. This and the other
17. \*Twirled above
18. \*Movie: "\_\_\_ Cowboy"
20. Wildly, without self-control
21. Round openings
22. Skater's turf
23. Spiky succulent
26. \*Its crown is creased
30. H in HMS
31. Dances the bebop
34. Small ladies' hand-bag
35. Resort-filled island in southern Caribbean
37. Water in Paris
38. Greek muse of love poetry
39. "In \_\_\_ of"
40. Tube-nosed seabird
42. Johnny \_\_\_ in Civil War
43. Red on kitchen table
45. What hair does on balding person
47. Barbie's beau
48. \*Cowboy's turf
50. Defender of skies
52. On certain occasions
56. To utter suddenly

57. 15th of March, May, July or October
58. Not all
59. Bother
60. Belgian port
61. Revise for publication
62. Asian food thickener
63. For carrying bricks and mortar
64. "\_\_\_ Make a Deal"

**DOWN**

1. Not spicy
2. Having wings
3. Hokkaido (Japan) language
4. Garbage lover
5. Thread reel
6. Bacteria dish
7. Typically dull and persistent
8. r times two
9. In addition
10. Ball accoutrement
11. Plays for pay
13. Between 90 and 180 degrees
14. There's none like home?
19. Aqua-lung
22. It is
23. Blackboard writer
24. Bird of prey nest
25. Oil or vinegar bottle
26. \*Horse prod
27. Fixed look
28. Be disclosed or revealed
29. Wife of Amphion, king of Thebes
32. Road alert

**CROSSWORD**

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# Happy Birthday!

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

Thank you, Catherine

**August 28**  
**Birthdays** - Kiki Carthel Brabham, Amy Gillispie, Mika McLain, Linda Nunez, Kory Sheppard, Mike Pearson, Joe Bravo, Keith Burgess, Andy Jones, Mabry Sutterfield, Penny Sumner

**August 29**  
**Birthdays** - Rodney Clawson, Ginny Grotogut, Monica Ward, Mark Crooks, Bill Strawn, Richeardo Espinosa, Dusty Vinson, Linda Lou Lewis, Tony Cazares, Holly Brack, Katie Bynum

**Anniversary** - M/M Robert Blevins

**August 30**  
**Birthdays** - Joshua Blount, Roy Dale Karr, Van Lewis, Jeff Nicholson, Chelly Rigdon, Christa Urban

**August 31**  
**Birthdays** - Jill Hoel, Roger Dean Close, Estella Arjona, Mildred Lewis, Chad Wilkerson, Justin Eslick, Lonnie Shields, Danny Herrington, Bob Boxwell, Dale Jones, Clay Nefl

**Anniversary** - M/M Brian Pressley, M/M Kent Guthrie

**September 1**  
**Birthdays** - Sahala (McCloy) Galliard, Kathy (Nelson) Dumbold, Mrs. Don Allen, Eugene Yarborough, Irma Arjona, Pete Vera Jr., Jessica Williams, Rita Lindley, Erin Wafford, Misty Bynum, Hugo Villa, Richard Shad, Jessica Shad, Laura Bridges, Jace Lang, Ann Pipkin, Dane Harbour, Sandra Blankenship

**Anniversary** - M/M Daniel Boyd

**September 2**  
**Birthdays** - Kelly Sue Jones, Melyn Johnson, Archie Smith, Felipe Lomelli, Carlos Mendoza Jr., Larry Gallimore

**Anniversary** - M/M Ron Antalek

**September 3**  
**Birthdays** - Josh Mayhew, Isabel Martinez, Ruth Lackey, Kory Brown, Sheryl Meek, Sandy Russell, Janet Sandavol, Jessie Moore, Brandon Baker, Michelle Evens, Elena Vargas, Jason Quillin, Coy Herrington

**Anniversary** - M/M John Booth, George & Virginia Young

**September 4**  
**Birthdays** - Val Winger, Peggy Frick, Jimmy Haden, Kathy Bowen, Marty Karr, Laci Murray, Darlene Pierce, Rodney Pointer, Tina Cator, Lighthouse Torres, Alix Boyd, Halee Beasley, Kristi Vasquez, Jarry Francis, Jerri Lane

**Anniversary** - M/M Ron Fox, Don & Wanda Reed

**September 5**  
**Birthdays** - Kilee Ryan, Cathy Potts, Pat Minter, Dawn Brown, Mavis Floyd, David West, Mark Garcia, Betty Thomas, Mary Alice Gibner, Andy Riley, Sonya Tindell, Willie Wallis, Joyce Sharp, Lorenzo Sauz, Connor Odegaard, Daniel Swink, Stephen Lane

**Anniversary** - M/M Chuck Ball, Mr. and Mrs. Don Reed, M/M Bobby Hicks

**September 6**  
**Birthdays** - Brad Hart, Mickey Nash, Ty Williams, Jennifer Profit, Josh Owens, Cheryl Green, Jonas Heath, Osbaldo Lomely, Alison Smith

**Anniversary** - George & Tina Rex, M/M Bill Wink, Judy & David Martin, M/M Kenneth Stewart

**September 7**  
**Birthdays** - Alice Peddy, Kim Boone, Teal Armes, J.L. Brock, Richard Montgomery, Juanita Terceo, Melvin Willis, Kermit McKee, Jennifer Whitefield, Mardell Strawn

**Anniversary** - M/M Charlie West, M/M Jim Davis, M/M Ronnie Bullard

**September 8**  
**Birthdays** - Kevin Hart, Vernon Edens, Teresa Byrd, Richard Davis, Cindy Scarborough, Macy Holton, Suzanne Sanders, Beronica Borounda, Wynette Mullins, Monica Cenicerros, Linda West, Justin Tucker, Bill Miller

**Anniversary** - M/M Roger Odegaard, M/M Clarence Zable

**September 9**  
**Birthdays** - Jantzen Dahl, Brian Kaugman, Dora Salgado, Doug Hohertz, Daiana Arjona, Kitty Edwards, Krystal Lackey, Debbie Abston, Jeannie Swan, Brian Payne, Merle Arthur, Alvin Byers, Tina Baumgardner, Nikki Boyd, Kitty Edwards, Dynell Vera Moore

**Anniversary** - M/M Kyle Williams, Brad & Dodie Beedy, Al & Jean Smith

**September 10**  
**Birthdays** - Donnie Osborne, Michael Minter, Derek Kuehl, Lil Turner, Rosa Alexander, Don Moore, Jeff Hand, Makala Weakly, Scott Wilkerson, Rosa Rodriguez, Susan Harnish, Chris Lopez, Janet Trosper, Quentin Shieldknight, Jarick Howard, Brent Collins, Kami Hammonds

**Anniversary** - M/M Pedro Garza

**September 11**  
**Birthdays** - Erika Stedje, Gary Lynn Evans, Ginger Pittman, DaVonna Daharsh, Jimmy Jackson, Jim Davis, Teresa Pipkin, Clarence Mitchell, Tony Pacheco Jr., Julia Wofford, Everette Layton, Angela Lomeli, Janice Watley, Jean Laughlin, Trey Duke

**Anniversary** - Rusty & Judy Tindell, Buck & Beatrice Self

## Words from Faith & Grace

by Cecil R. Biggers, Lutheran Lay Minister



This week we learn that the Christian's life of faith is not idle as we study Jeremiah 15:15-21, Psalm 26:1-8, Romans 12:9-21, and Matthew 16:21-28. Jeremiah cries to the Lord in a lament. Jeremiah loves God and God's word, but the more he speaks the word of the Lord, the more the people hate him. Jeremiah confesses that he thinks God has deceived him, as a thirsty man finds only dust in a dry Palestinian river bed. God tells Jeremiah that if he will repent of his anger with the Lord, God will allow him to continue as a prophet. God further promises Jeremiah that He will strengthen him and redeem him from the hand of the wicked. God never promises us followers an easy life; he promises us strength to live life.

The Psalmist sings a song asking God to "Try me". The Psalmist loves God, and lives by God's law. The Psalmist is faithful. The Psalmist prays for God's continuing redemption. The "faith-full" life is a life lived boldly for the Lord.

Paul writes a series of "one-liners" that tell us how to live a Christian life for example, "Let love be genuine". "Hate what is evil, hold fast to what is good." "Love one another with mutual affection." "Bless those who persecute you". Paul shows us how we can be a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God. Paul tells us that vengeance is the Lord's. We are told to feed our enemies if they are hungry, provide water for them if they are thirsty.

We are shown that "forgiveness" is not fair, it is Christ-like. Christ said to those who crucified Him, "Father, forgive them for they know not what they do". In short, do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

Jesus explains that he must go to Jerusalem and undergo great suffering and be killed. Peter concerned says, "God forbid it Lord! This must never happen to you!" Jesus replied, "Get behind me, Satan! You are a stumbling block to me; for you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things."

In literal translation, Jesus is telling Peter that his place is behind Jesus, following. He then tells the disciples, "If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me." Jesus shows us that discipleship is the obedient giving of self for our neighbor; and, that the only way for us to accept this is through the transforming power of God.

We may reasonably ask, "Why would anyone want to be part of a group that is being persecuted, jailed, and even killed?" The answer for me is that in following Jesus we find true life and not a mere animal existence.

May the Holy Spirit grant you the power to live boldly for Christ.

## Our Sympathy

**LYNN HOWELL EARLES**  
June 5, 1927 - August 18, 2008

WACO, TX - Lynn Howell Earles and his twin brother Bobby Earles were born to Lee Earles and Mamie Gatlin Earles in Ennis, Texas on June 5, 1927. The twins and their younger brother, Gene Earles, later moved with the family to Houston where Lynn graduated from Austin High School.

During World War II Lynn joined the U.S. Navy Construction Battalion and served in the Pacific theater as the foreman of an asphalt boiler crew. One of the assignments his unit completed was the allied airfield runway on Kwajalein in the Marshall Islands. After the war Lynn attended college at the University of Houston where he met and married Barbara Jane Brunson. They were blessed with two sons and a daughter: Thomas Lynn Earles who now lives in Thousand Oaks, California; Richard Lee Earles, of Houston; and Lucile Virginia (Ginger) McClellan, of College Station. He was also blessed with eight grandchildren: Kristin, Julie, Lauren, Michelle and John David McClellan, and Matthew, Derek, and Jason Earles.

After college, Lynn worked as a pipe fitter and was later promoted to staff engineering inspector for Shell Chemical Company until he retired after twenty three years of service.

Those of us who know Lynn realize he was a very kind and caring person who truly loved his family.

Lynn trusted in Jesus Christ as his Lord and Savior and was baptized on June 30, 1996 at the VA Medical Center in Temple. He left this earthly body and went to be with the Lord after a prolonged illness on Monday at a Waco VA Medical Center hospice nursing home.

Graveside services were held at Forrest Park Cemetery, 6900 Lawndale, at 10:30 a.m. on Friday, August 22, 2008.

The family requests that memorials be sent to a charity of your choosing or to one of the following: Hospice Brazos Valley in Bryan, Texas; Hansford Hospice, Spearman, Texas; The O'Loughlin Center, Spearman, Texas; Central Texas Christian School, Temple, Texas; or Brazos Christian School, Bryan, Texas.

**ODIS RAY BLOUNT**

December 23, 1944 - August 26, 2008

GRUVER - Odis Ray Blount, 63, died on Tuesday, August 26, 2008 in Amarillo, TX.

Funeral services will be held on Saturday, August 30, 2008 at 10:30 a.m. in the Church of Christ in Gruver, TX with Gaylord Cook officiating. Interment will be in Gruver Cemetery under the direction of Boxwell Brothers Funeral Home in Spearman.

Odis Ray was born on December 23, 1944 in Brownfield, TX to Odis and Annie Blount. He was a truck driver and attended the Church of Christ in Gruver.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Odis and Annie Blount.

Survivors include five brothers, Alford Blount, John Blount and Bobby Blount, all of Amarillo, Charley Blount of North Richland Hills, TX and Robert Blount of Spearman; and five sisters, Geneva Wheeler of Joshua, TX, Eula McMahan of Gladewater, TX, Cora Schuman of Cleburne, TX, Joyce Helzer of Marion, KS and Francis Houghton of Ovid, CO.

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Bob Boxwell

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Pastor - Roland Haney

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Pastor - Bob Elder

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Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.  
Worship: 11 a.m.  
Evening Worship: 7 p.m.  
Men's Bible Study - Wed., 7 a.m.  
Children's Choir - Wed., 6 p.m.  
Adult Choir - Wed., 7 p.m.  
Wed. Bible Study: 7 p.m.  
Pastor - Jim Medley

**Church of Christ**  
121 S. Haney • 659-3244  
Sunday Bible Class: 9:45 a.m.  
Worship: 10:30 a.m.  
Evening Worship: 6 p.m.  
Bible Study Wed.: 7:30 p.m.

**Sacred Heart Catholic Church**  
901 Roland • 659-2792  
Sat. Night Mass: 5:30 p.m.  
Sun. Mass: 9 a.m. - English  
Sun. Mass: 11:30 - Spanish  
1:30 p.m. - Gruver - Christo  
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Rev. Guillermo Morales

**First United Methodist**  
407 S. Haney • 659-5503  
Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.  
Worship: 8:30 & 11 a.m.  
Jr. High Youth: 5 p.m. Sunday  
High School: 6 p.m. Sunday  
Kids Club: 3 p.m. Wed.  
Pastor - Neely Landrum

**Grace Presbyterian Church**  
(Worship with Faith Lutheran Church)  
1101 Bernice • 659-2033  
Pastor - Beverly Cook

**Faith Lutheran Church (ELCA)**  
1101 Bernice • 659-2252  
Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.  
Worship: 11 a.m.  
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Pastor - Beverly Cook

**Union Church**  
31 S. Endicott • 659-2644  
Sunday School: 10:00 a.m.  
Worship: 11:00 a.m.  
Bible Study: 7 p.m. Wed.  
Youth Service: 6 p.m. Wed.  
Pastor -

**Fellowship Baptist**  
1102 S. Archer • 659-2783  
Sunday School: 10 a.m.  
Worship: 11 a.m.  
Sun. Evening Worship: 6 p.m.  
Youth/Adult Service: 7:30 Wed.  
Pastor - James Washburn

**Primera Mision Bautista**  
502 E. 7th • 659-3991  
Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.  
Worship: 11 a.m.  
Evening: 6 p.m.  
Wed. Prayer Meeting: 7 p.m.  
Thurs. Visitation: 7 p.m.  
Pastor Joe Garcia Jr.

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Culto Evangelistico - 7 p.m.  
Jueves: Oracion - 8 p.m.  
Mier: Estudio Biblico - 7 p.m.  
Pastor - A.G. Martell  
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**First Baptist Church**  
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Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.  
Worship: 10:50 a.m.  
Disciple Training: 6 p.m. Sunday  
Prayer Meeting: 7:30 p.m. Wednesday  
Pastor - Scott Curry

**Church of Christ**  
209 King • 733-2760  
Sunday School: 9:30 a.m.  
Worship: 10:20 a.m.  
Evening Worship: 6 p.m.  
Wed. Worship: 7:00 p.m.  
Minister - Gaylord Cook

**First Christian Church**  
510 King • 733-2960  
Sunday School: 10:00 a.m.  
Sunday Worship: 11 a.m.  
Youth: 7:30 Sunday  
Adult Bible Study: 7:30, Sun.  
Wed. Bible Study: 8:00 p.m.  
Pastor - Gary Gumfory

### Gruver United Methodist

Broadway & Garrett  
733-2651  
Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.  
Worship: 8:30 & 10:50 a.m.  
Eve. Worship & UMY: 6 p.m.  
Pastor - George Price

**Spanish Cristo Redentor Church**  
Sunday Mass: 1:30 p.m.  
Friday Evening Mass  
Summer - 8:00 p.m.  
Fall/Winter - 7:30 p.m.

### Oslo

**Oslo Lutheran Church (ELCA)**  
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North of Gruver  
339-7646  
Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.  
Worship: 11 a.m.  
Pastor - Arlen Lloyd

### Morse

**Morse Baptist Church**  
733-2757  
Pastor - Mike Martin

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mercy and to walk  
humbly with your God.  
Micah 6:8

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### Perryton promenaders Square Dance Club

The Perryton promenaders Square Dance Club will have Square Dance Lessons at the VDW/Expo Meeting Room in Perryton beginning September 8, 2008 at 7:30 p.m. The first three lessons are free! For more information, contact Judy Tindell at 659-3653 or Martha Thurman at 435-2249.

### SAVE the DATE for the Pork Bowl!

The annual Panhandle Pork Bowl football game is this Saturday and it should be a very good time for everyone. There will be lots of food and lots of fun and all events are open free to the public. Things will get started at 5:00 pm outside of the football stadium with a cookout sponsored by Seaboard Farms that will feature pork burgers, hot dogs, and pork-on-a-stick. At 7:00 the 2008 Aggie football season will officially get started with a contest between OPSU and Fort Lewis College. The game is also open to the public at no charge, thanks to the patronage of the Oklahoma Pork Council. For those who cannot attend the game, fans in the Goodwell-Guymon area can listen to all the football action live on KPSU radio (91.7 FM). An internet broadcast is also available - log on to www.opsu.edu and click on Athletics to find the link.

### Spearman Booster Club Meeting

The Lynx/Lynxette Booster Club will meet on Tuesday, September 2nd at 7 p.m. in the portable building behind Spearman High School. Anyone interested in supporting our high school athletes is encouraged to attend.

### S.T.A.R. Presents "Back in Control" Parenting Workshop

STAR (Services-To-At-Risk Youth & Their Families) brings you... "Back in Control" Parenting Workshop on Saturday, September 6, 2008, from 8:45 a.m.-4:00 p.m. at the TPMHMR Children's Services Building, 1500 S. Taylor Street, Amarillo, Texas 79101. Participants must pre-register! Call 359-2005 CEUs available for LPCs & MSWs; General CEUs will also be available. (Must attend full class for certificate.) There is no charge to attend, and seating is limited. No Childcare is provided. STAR is a TDFPS funded program of TPMHMR.

### Stationmaster's House Museum Doll Show

The Stationmasters House Museum is planning a Doll Show for late September or early October. If you have a collection or a doll you wish to display, please call Doris at 659-3008, Tuesday-Saturday, from 1-5 p.m., or Reba at 733-2786.

### College National Finals Rodeo to Air in August

The National Intercollegiate Rodeo Association (NIRA) recently announced that the College National Finals Rodeo will be in the television spotlight in August. Portions of the CNFR will be featured on ESPN U, the college sports network. The broadcast will feature two programs that showcase the best college rodeo has to offer and OPSU contestants should figure prominently into the mix. Interviews and features from the entire week of the rodeo plus portions of the awards ceremony will be included alongside some of the best rodeo performances of the year. Listed below are the dates the shows premiere, but check your local listings for specific times and channels in your area. Show #1 - Tuesday, August 12, 10:30 p.m. Eastern time; Show #2- Tuesday, August 19, 6:00 p.m. Eastern time.

### Thriftshop Policy

Hansford County Library has a policy barring children under 12 from the Thriftshop and the surrounding area outside. No strollers or buggies of any type are allowed in the Thriftshop. This policy is due to overcrowding in a small area and continuing discipline problems. Shoppers are asked to be considerate of the volunteers as well as other shoppers, and leave children under 12 at home.

### Beware of FAFSA Web Scam

Seniors, senior parents, and parents of college students should use the web site www.fafsa.ed.gov when filling out their Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) online. There is currently a website that has found an interesting way to get in the college-bound's pocket. Known as fafsa.com, the website charges a fee for submitting the application. There is no fee for submitting the fafsa form on the www.fafsa.ed.gov site.

### You're Never Alone - Narcotics Anonymous Group

Each year individuals struggling with drug and alcohol addiction make the resolution to quit using drugs. For many of them it is a resolution that they cannot keep. Narcotics Anonymous can help. Open meetings are held on Monday and Thursday nights from 8-9 p.m. at the First Christian Church (29 S. Bernice in Spearman) for the "You're Never Alone" group of Narcotics Anonymous. Anyone interested is invited to attend. Drug addiction can leave an individual feeling helpless and out of control - we can help.

### Spearhead AA Group

The Spearhead AA Group meets every Tuesday at 8 p.m. in the Pittman-Shieldknight building. Alcoholics Anonymous® is a fellowship of men and women who share their experience, strength and hope with each other that they may solve their common problem and help others to recover from alcoholism. The only requirement for membership is a desire to stop drinking. There are no dues or fees for AA membership; we are self-supporting through our own contributions. AA is not allied with any sect, denomination, politics, organization or institution; does not wish to engage in any controversy, neither endorses nor opposes any causes. Our primary purpose is to stay sober and help other alcoholics to achieve sobriety. For more information, call 662-1111.

### Panhandle Crisis Center Outreach Office

Panhandle Crisis Center (PCC) has an Outreach Office and Resale Store at 306 Hancock, in Spearman. In case of emergencies, please continue to call the hotline, 1-800-753-5308. To schedule an appointment with a worker in Hansford County, please call 659-3391 to leave a message, or call the hotline number above. Panhandle Crisis Center serves victims of domestic violence and sexual assault. Please call for more information regarding PCC's services. Hours for the Resale Store in Spearman are: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday from 10 a.m.-5 p.m.

### Breast Cancer Screening Clinic

The Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer Center Comprehensive Breast Center will conduct a Breast Cancer Screening Clinic at Hansford County Hospital, 707 S. Roland, in Spearman the fourth Monday of each month. Breast cancer affects one in eight women. The key to winning the battle against cancer is early detection by having an annual breast exam, mammogram and performing a breast self-exam each month. Funding is available through the Texas Department of Health for Texas residents who qualify for assistance. All exams are done by appointment only. Call (806) 356-1905 or 1-800-377-4673 for more information or to schedule an appointment.



### It's A Boy!

Mike and Maranda (Fight) Fish of Richwood, TX wish to announce the birth of their son Jordan Ray Fish. Jordan was born February 15, 2008 at 10:20 am. He weighed 6 pounds, 10 ounces and 19 inches long. Jordan was welcomed home by his three-year-old half-sister Emma Fish.

Proud grandparents are Paul and Barbra Ortega of Texas City, TX, formally of Spearman, TX and Janet Fish of Austin TX and Robert Fish of Waelder, TX

### It's A Boy!

Colby Smith and Clinton Tindell wish to announce the birth of their son Reagan Walker Tindell. Reagan was born February 21, 2008 in Perryton. He weighed 5 lbs. 12 oz. and 19 1/2 inches long.

Proud grandparents are Marcy and Kurt Krisle of Minneola, Kansas and Rick and Debbie Rickers of Santanta, Kansas. Kansas and Mason Tindell of Spearman and Rosetta Barrera of Spearman, TX. Great-grandmothers are Thelma Tindell of Spearman and Thelma Finke of Minneola.



### Golden Wedding Anniversary

Together they have found a friendship, raised a family, and built a beautiful marriage - from mom and dad of the daughters Brenda, Shannon, Jolynda and Tanja; to the sons-in-law Rodney, Doug, James and Ed; from Grandma and Papaw of the grandchildren Stephnie, Amy, Josiah, Nekisha, Kaley, Lisha, Sara, Brittany and Jessica; to Mamaw and Papaw Tootie of the great-grandchildren Trinity, Sydney, Brooklyn, Lynly, Emma, Makenlei, Matthew and Paysley. We, the family of Jerry and Sue Bowling would like to wish them a Happy 50th Wedding Anniversary.

### Thank You!

The Spearman ISD Kids' Kamp program saw another successful summer with 597 kids attending 15 summer activities. This program would not be successful without these community volunteers: Coach Jr. Ashmore, Peggy Winegarner, Karen Babitzke, Coach Nan Cook, Coach Starla Whiteley, Coach Steve Walker, Maria Carbajal, Hansford County Library staff, Margaret Ruttman, Liz Miser, Chad Wilkerson, Don Schroeder, Travis Wolf, Mikal Willimon, Hansford County Golf Course, Gary Ellsworth, Lyric Theatre, Heather Garcia, Spearman EMS, Judy Nelson, Dana Saylor, High Plains Observer, Hansford County Reporter-Statesman, KXDJ radio, and Dick Gillaspie.

Thanks again!  
Cindy Blackman

Community Resource Coordinator, Spearman ISD

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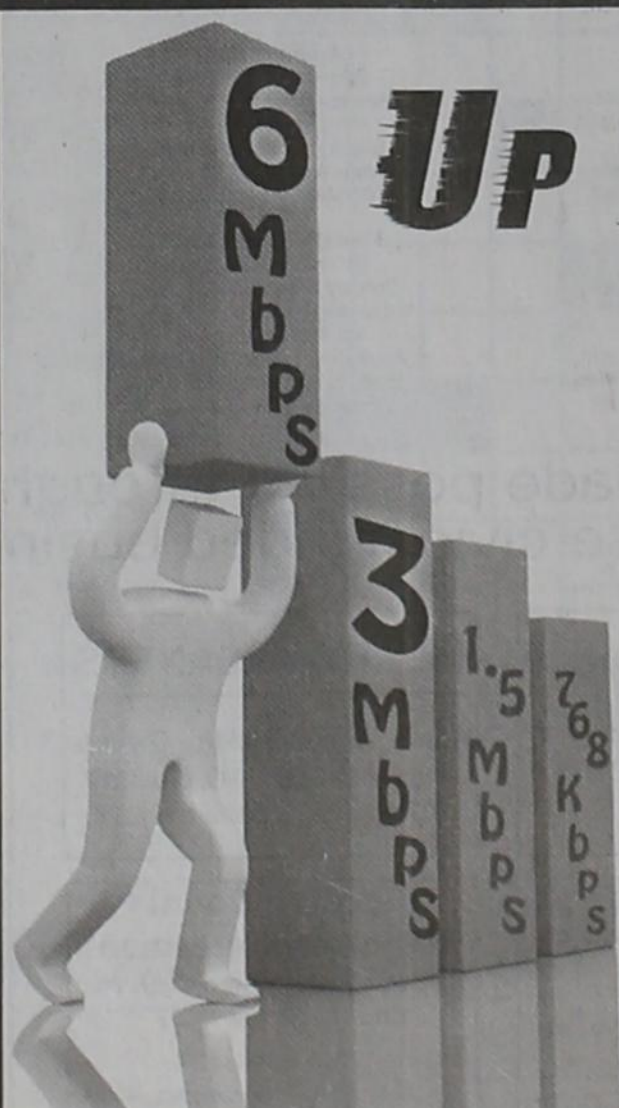
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# Wolf Creek Heritage Museum Notes

by Virginia Scott

A busy week with lots of visitors trying to get out of the rain. Core Team busy on Wednesday accessing our new photos and other items.

On Saturday, Kellie Kjos and I had the pleasure to open the museum for our new exhibit of the model train and miniature Booker built by Donald Kerns. The model is wonderful and we will be busy cleaning and obtaining volunteers to help getting the trains in running order and the town repaired and cleaned. Mr. Kerns constructed the model over many years and entertained at least one, if not two, generations of Lipscomb County children with his miniature train and its town. We look forward to getting it back to its "good ole days" and entertaining children again. If you want to help, give us a call.

Another project that has been progressing under the tutelage of Lovella and Peg is one involving old slides of Lipscomb County. They have been sorting them by category, etc. The next step, hopefully, will be to have them copied onto a DVD or CD. If any of you have had this done and have the name of a company that we could send them to, please call us. We are trying to find the name of a company near us (as near as a company can be - Amarillo, Woodward, Oklahoma City, etc) so we can hand deliver.

This week is our change over week when the July/August art exhibit comes down and the September/October exhibit goes up. The new exhibit features photographs by Denny Mingus of Higgins. In his brochure, Denny describes his approach to his photographs: "I've always taken

the interstate and major highways, never stopping to explore the towns I passed through. Once I saw what else was out there, I wanted others to see it too. I want to present what's familiar about our area, but in an unfamiliar way, and familiarize people outside with our unique region." I believe we are in for a real treat with his look at our world.

### HISTORICAL MUSINGS

Demas Newton Zollars, his wife, Martha Amanda, his son, Harry Lee (four years old), and his daughter, Winnie (two years old) arrived in Lipscomb County in the Spring of 1889. Arriving from Independence, Kansas, in the hopes of finding improvement in Martha's asthmatic condition. The family settled on the M.H. Gard ranch on Mannoth Creek in a large one room half dug-out, half sod dwelling.

In 1897, the Zollars moved to Higgins. Mr. Zollars became bookkeeper and clerk in Mr. W. F. Peugh's general merchandise store. Harry was trained by Mr. Cap Mitchell in publishing a country newspaper, *The Higgins News*, and was its editor until it was sold.

In October, 1960, Harry wrote a letter to the editor of the *Lipscomb County News* which was published by the paper as an article entitled "Old Timer Recalls and Writes of Early Day Baptism."

Harry wrote that he and his father, with other members of the Baptist church, built the first church in Higgins, working nights, as there were no "weekends" and Saturdays off in those days. He tells of many childhood memories of the church, which I will include in future columns. But the one that I offer you today is the Baptism at the creek.

There was an amusing incident connected with a baptism at Long Creek which could have been tragic indeed if some quick-thinking cowboy had not been in attendance. The evangelist requested four of us boys to take him to our favorite swimming hole to locate a nice place in which to baptize a large group after two weeks of revival services, and we were delighted to do so. We went over to the creek in a surrey with him, showed

him a fine place, sandy and stopping with a drop-off about thirty feet from the shore to ten or twelve feet. The point at which he was to stop with the candidate was marked with two fishing poles stuck in the sand and held with rocks. The baptizing was to be held on the next day, Sunday afternoon. All had a good swim and a fine trip home.

"But the Devil of Mischief tempted the boys and they got together and planned what they thought would be a great joke. They walked back to the swimming hole, tied another fishing pole to each of the shorter ones and moved them to the edge of the drop-off and secured them there with their little white flags fluttering a signal that this was the place to stop.

"Sunday afternoon was a most lovely one and a large crowd was on hand to witness the solemn ceremonies. There were tents for the men and women to use for dressing. The members of the church were assisting and aiding, the singers were humming the tunes to be sung and the first candidate, a man of about 50, was standing with the minister in the shallow water at the pool's edge. With those present singing that good old hymn 'Shall we gather at the River' the preacher led the candidate toward the poles and flags, little realizing they had been moved further out. As he waded and led the man, he was explaining the significance of immersion and of following in Christ's steps in being baptized, when both he and the candi-

date disappeared beneath the clear water of the pool! It was indeed a shock to all concerned! But when the preacher, who was a good swimmer, reached the shallower portion at the edge of the drop-off the other man had not appeared! Soon he came up, gurgled "Help" and sank again! Then it began to dawn upon the four culprits that their practical joke had kicked back and a man might lose his life because of it.

A level-headed cowboy, who had ridden in to see the baptizing, realized the seriousness of the situation, ran to his horse, jerked his lariat from his saddle and when the drowning man appeared again expertly threw the rope to him, which was grasped and the fellow pulled to safety. What a sigh of relief those four guilty fellows heaved as he was found to be able to receive the service of baptism a little later, with the preacher keeping quite some distance from the poles the remainder of the ceremony!

"Strict secrecy was sworn by the four over crossed cottonwood branches, and I believe it was never told to anyone up there all the fellows in this escapade but me. I have gone on the long trail, but the memory is so vivid in my mind that all I have to do is close my eyes and see it all again in every detail. What our dads would have done to us if they had known is an unsolved problem, but it would have been plenty!"

A tale that I am sure is not in the church's record. Have a good week.

## Spearman ISD Mandatory Drug Testing Parent/Student Meeting Notice

Spearman ISD has a Random Student Drug Testing Policy for all students in grades 7-12 who are involved in extra-curricular activities. Consent to drug-use testing is mandatory for all students to participate in any extra-curricular activity.

Also, participating students and at least one parent/guardian must attend a required annual meeting. The meetings for this school year were held in the High School Auditorium on August 12 and August 19 at 6:00 p.m.

A make-up meeting will be held in the High School Auditorium on September 3 at 6:00 p.m. for those parents and students that did not attend one of the previous meetings. This will be the "FINAL" meeting of the year. Failure of the student and/or parent/guardian to attend this meeting will prevent the student from extra-curricular activity participation.

If you have any questions, please contact Bill Belger, Principal, at 659-2584.

## 51st Andrews Family Reunion

The 51st Andrew Family Reunion was held at The O'Loughlin Center on Sunday, August 3, 2008, with 38 descendants of L.G. and Hattie Sheets Andrews attending. Jerry Womble blessed the food, which was catered by Mr. and Mrs. Richard Wagner. A wonderful meal was enjoyed by all.

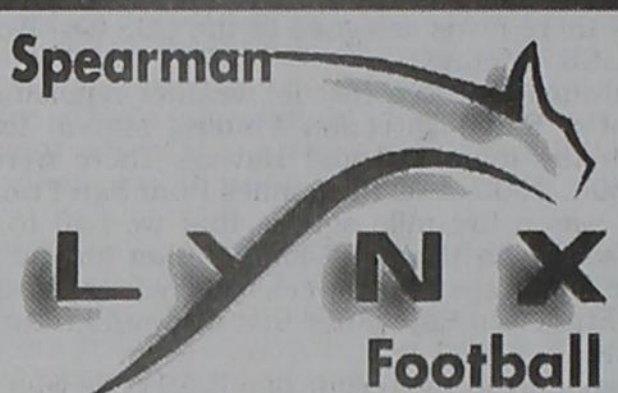
A short business meeting was conducted by Shanna DeArmond Kenney, hostess for the 2008 Reunion. The following were voted in as hosts and hostesses for the 52nd Andrews Reunion (2009): Hal and Jeannie Bennett of Stratford and Bob and Susie Womble of Morse.

Charles and Lola Newcomb were the honorees for 2008. The family presented them with five gifts to commemorate the occasion. Charles Newcomb was the oldest in attendance and Case Weston Womble was the youngest family member. Case is the 11-month-old son of Ty and Courtney Womble. (A new arrival is anticipated in the family of Chris and Gayle Womble on August 5th.)

Clint DeArmond conducted the family auction with assistance from Cooper DeArmond, Halston Kenney and Oakley Womble, who gave moral support sitting in the wagon made by Marvin Andrews of Guymon, OK. Births, deaths, marriages, etc. were recognized for the year 2008. Updated changes of address are the responsibility of Anne Riley Northcutt of Amarillo. Jeannie Womble Bennett served as the secretary for the auction.

During the serving of the meal, Richie Thompson entertained the family with hymns, accompanied by Cynthia L. DeArmond on the piano.

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## MAURICE FRED MILLER



After being born and raised in Hansford County, I moved to California when I graduated from Gruver High School in 1938. I was living in San Francisco when Pearl Harbor was attacked. I remember the guard at the magnesium plant where I worked rushing in to tell us about the bombing. He had just heard it on the radio (there was no TV at that time).

A few months later I returned to Gruver to check on my draft status. I found out that I was going to be drafted in about two months. Because I didn't want to go into the Army, I returned to San Francisco with plans to join the Navy. I joined the Coast Guard instead.

First came boot camp at the Government Island base in Alameda, California. After boot camp I was stationed in San Francisco for a short time and then transferred to the Farallon Islands off the San Francisco Bay. After several months there I was assigned to the USS Sea Wolf, and then to the USS Amethyst.

Our duties were sea rescue, weather reporting, and operation of a Radio Direction Finding station for air traffic between the mainland and Hawaii. There were three stations: 500, 1000, and 1500 miles from San Francisco. Each station was a five-mile square that we had to stay in. We were usually on the 1000-mile station for one month and then we would spend two weeks at Treasure Island, our base in San Francisco Bay. After that we would return for another month.

We took part in the rescue of a B-29 crew who had to ditch because of engine failure.

Homeward bound from Saipan after 10 missions over Japan, the Superfortress Mishap II had two engines fail simultaneously. By the time they could locate the closest station ship, the third motor had also gone. The pilot brought the plane down from 19,000 feet to 2500 and gave the order to bail. The plane exploded as it hit the water, and all would have been killed instantly if they had stayed with the plane.

Fifteen of the twenty airmen who parachuted were saved. A few were in the water 6 hours before we could reach them. Three bodies of the missing five were also rescued.

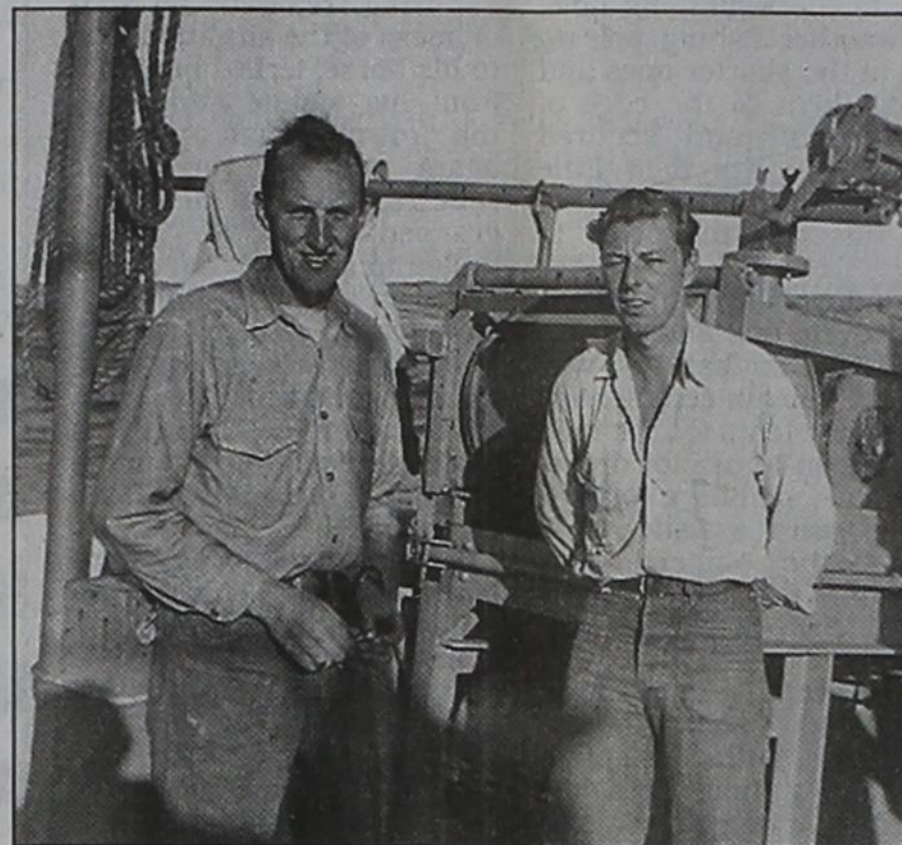
In January 1946, we returned the Amethyst to its home district in Long Beach, California. On February 14, 1946, after 3 years, 5 months, and 6 days of military service, I was discharged at the Terminal Island Separation Center.

Once my Coast Guard days were over I came back to

Gruver. While home, I met and married Henny Wiehink from the Netherlands. We had two children, Gene and Mamie. Gene and his wife, Chris and their two children, Sterling and Dana live in Pensacola, Florida. Mamie lives in Arlington, Virginia.

I received a BS and MS degree from Oklahoma State University, finishing in 1953. After working for Continental Oil Company for 13 years in the geophysical exploration department, I then went to work at Louisiana State University's Rice Research Station in Crowley, Louisiana. I retired in November 1991 after being a Cajun for 26 years.

We returned to Gruver in November of 1991. Henny died December 17, 1991. I have kept our home in Gruver. Much of my time is spent at my computer and in great trips with my daughter Mamie.

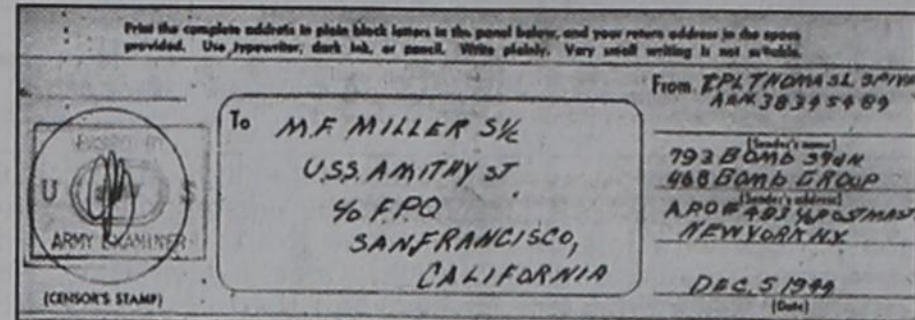


Fred Miller (right) with shipmate aboard USS Amethyst.

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We will be closed on Monday, September 1st in observance of

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## Water District Notice of Public Hearing on Tax Rate

The Palo Duro River Authority will hold a public hearing on a proposed tax rate for the tax year 2008 on September 9, 2008 at 2:00 pm at Palo Duro River Authority office. Your individual taxes may increase or decrease, depending on the change in the taxable value of your property in relation to the change in taxable value of all other property and the tax rate that is adopted.

FOR the proposal:

Jack Lane	Les Taylor
Arthur Davidson	Rod Barkley
Jay Goodwin	Paul Stavlo
Don Savage	Margarette Evans
Keith Christie	

AGAINST the proposal: None

PRESENT and not voting:

ABSENT:

The following table compares taxes on an average residence homestead in this taxing unit last year to taxes proposed on the average residence homestead this year.

	Last Year	This Year
Total tax rate (per \$100 of value)	\$0.091684/\$100 Adopted	\$0.073065/\$100 Proposed
Difference in rates per \$100 of value		-\$0.018619/\$100
Percentage increase/decrease in rates (+/-)		-20.31%
Average appraised value	\$51,368	\$54,758
General exemptions available (excluding senior citizen's or disabled person's exemptions)	\$5,000	\$5,000
Average taxable value	\$46,368	\$49,758
Tax on average residence homestead	\$42.51	\$36.36
Annual increase/decrease in taxes if proposed tax rate is adopted (+/-) and percentage of increase (+/-)		-\$6.15 -14.47%

### NOTICE OF TAXPAYERS' RIGHT TO ROLLBACK ELECTION

If taxes on the average residence homestead increase by more than eight percent, the qualified voters of the district by petition may require that an election be held to determine whether to reduce the operation and maintenance tax rate to the rollback tax rate under Section 49.236(d), Water Code.

## ORDER OF GENERAL ELECTION

(ORDEN DE ELECCION GENERAL)

An election is hereby ordered to be held on November 4, 2008, in Hansford County, Texas for the purpose of electing the following county and precinct officers as required by Article XVI, Section 65 of the Texas Constitution.

(Por la presente se ordena que se lleve a cabo una eleccion el dia 4, de Noviembre, 2008, en el Condado de Hansford County, Texas, con el propósito de elegir los siguientes oficiales del condado y del precinto como requerido por el Artículo XVI, Sección 65, de la Constitución de Texas.)

**Hansford County County Attorney** (Procurador del Condado)  
**Hansford County Sheriff** (Sherife)  
**Hansford County Tax Assessor/Collector** (Asesor-Collector de Impuestos del Condado)  
**Commissioner Precinct 1** (Comisionada del Condado, Precinto Num. 1)  
**Commissioner Precinct 3** (Comisionada del Condado, Precinto Num. 3)

Early voting by personal appearance will be conducted each weekday at: Hansford County Courthouse, Spearman & Gruver City Hall, 204 E. Broadway, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. beginning on October 20, 2008 and ending on October 31, 2008.

(La votación adelantada en persona se llevará a cabo de lunes a viernes en: La Casa de corte de Spearman y Oficiana de la Ciudad de Gruver, 204 E. Broadway, entre las 8:00 de la mañana y las 5:00 de la tarde empezando el octubre 20, 2008 y terminando el octubre 31, 2008.)

Applications for ballots by mail shall be mailed to:  
 (Las solicitudes para boletas que se votaran adelantada por correo deberan enviarse a:)

**Kim V. Vera - County Clerk**  
 15 Northwest Court  
 Spearman, Texas 79081-2051

Applications for ballots by mail must be received no later than the close of business on: **October 28, 2008.**  
 (Las solicitudes para boletas que se votaran adelantada por correo deberan recibirse para el fin de las horas de negocio el: octubre 28, 2008.)

Issued this the 22nd day of August, 2008.  
 (Emitada este dia 22nd de agosto, 2008)

*Benny Wilson*  
 Signature of County Judge  
 (Firma de Juez del Condado)

# First Annual Big Fun Run 5K Race and Family Fun Walk Benefits Big Brothers Big Sisters

The Big Fun Run, a 5K race and Family Fun Walk to benefit the Wheatheart Satellite of Big Brothers Big Sisters, was held in conjunction with Perryton's Wheatheart Celebration on Saturday, August 23rd. The event raised over \$2,000 to benefit the local program.

Fifty-three runners from Perryton, Spearman, Follett, Morse, Amarillo, Guymon and Booker participated. The overall first place winner was Jovanny Mercado, second place overall was Ulises

Lopez, third place overall was Willy Lopez and fourth place overall was Jackie Cannon.

The youngest runner was 11 years old and the oldest was 52. This was the first 5K race for several runners.

Prizes were awarded to male and female first and second place winners in each of five divisions. 18 & under: first male, Jovanny Mercado, second male, Ulises Lopez; first female, Victoria Herbert, second female Alina Spescia. 19-29: first female, Shawna

Schulte, second female, Amber Evans, 30-39: first male, Shane Whiteley; first female, Jill Butler, second female, Carrie Olivarez. 40-49: first male Allan Herbert; first female, Debbie Herbert, second female, Julie Pittman. 50+: first male, Jackie Cannon, second male, Brady Yeary; first female, Connie Dumcum.

Thirty-two walkers and their families participated in the one mile fun walk. The Perryton High School Color Guard helped participants

warm up for the walk with some fun exercises.

Event sponsors helped make the fundraiser a success.

Weatherford Completion was the t-shirt/award sponsor. Booker Grocery and Sonic sponsored the finish line refreshment table and Caprock Supply sponsored the route water stations. Lemon Law underwrote the publicity and advertising.

Event organizers recognized the following for their support: the City of Perryton, Sheriff Terry Bouchard, Perryton High School, Lone Star Runners Club, TXDOT, Johnny and Dee Elliot and the Wheatheart Celebration Parade Committee.

Race coordinator was Starla Whiteley. The event was staffed by Big Brothers Big Sisters' Advisory Committee members; volunteers from Spearman High School, helped throughout the morning as well.

The local Big Brothers Big Sisters' office serves Perryton, Spearman, Gruver and Booker. Over 110 children have been matched with caring mentors in school and community based programs this year. For more information about the program call BBBS at 806-434-0016.



Gately Garnett, Suttan Garnett, Justin, Shiella and Aiden Vardeman.

## Are You Prepared?

Disaster can strike quickly and without warning, sometimes isolating entire neighborhoods. As Hurricane Katrina reminded us, neighbors may need to rely upon each other and their own resources for several days before help arrives.

A police officer developed a simple "neighborhood watch" plan for us to help one another prepare for a disaster or emergency. This plan includes emergency contact information to be shared with immediate neighbors only and a 5-step preparedness plan.

Sisters, Suttan and Gately Garnett, along with their mother, set up a meeting with five of their nearest neighbors to review the "neighbors helping neighbors" brochure 5-step Plan and discuss emergency communication plans and share contact information. The Garnett girls also prepared -hour, survival kits for each of the families to start them on their way to being prepared for an emergency or disaster.

"We hope this program spreads throughout our community so that Spearman residents can be both self-reliant and able to serve those around them in a time of need."

Neighbors Helping Neighbors is a simple way to prepare for emergencies such as a tornado or terrorist attack.

**BEING PREPARED SAVES LIVES AND BRINGS PEACE OF MIND!**

## What did you do with your summer?

Lori Watson of Gruver spent her summer volunteering at Hansford Manor. With all of her special qualities there were some that shone brighter than others. Her uncanny ability to project her calm, caring demeanor along with that award winning smile, her real talent of art came through.

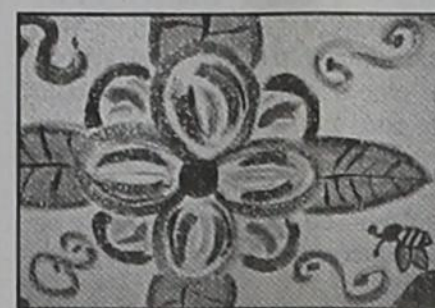
Some of our Residents spend many hours in a day in their beds. Research in the medical field of the elderly has produced a program called Snoezelen. The purpose is to stimulate areas of the brain that try to take early retirement on us as we age. Many different types of stimulation are provided to keep those areas of the brain active. One important area is that of sight along with the

stimulation of thought and pleasure that result from what we see.

Lori took ceiling tiles down from several different rooms. She tried to acquaint herself with each Resident to learn their personality and desires then painted several ceiling tiles for the Residents to enjoy. She is pictured with her first Resident, Dimple Jetton. Dimple loves flowers and color and has a zest for life that not many of the rest of us would enjoy at 100 years old. We should all take lessons from Dimple. Dimple has enjoyed her ceiling tiles greatly.

Lori has also led many art classes with the other Residents. Some were with water colors and another was a tear and cut and glue picture. The Residents ( and

the staff) of Hansford Manor have enjoyed Lori this summer and will miss her. I can only hope that she will continue to use her unique abilities to bless others and I am certain that she will for many years to come because she enjoyed sharing them so much with us. THANK YOU LORI----



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# Spearman ISD Policy For Free and Reduced-Priced Meals

Spearman Independent School District announces its policy for providing free and reduced-price meals for children served under the National School Lunch and Breakfast Program. Each school and/or the central office has a copy of the policy, which may be reviewed by any interested party.

The household size and income criteria identified below will be used to determine eligibility for free and reduced price benefits. Children from households whose income is at or below the levels shown are eligible for free or reduced meals. Foster children who are the legal responsibility of a welfare agency or court may also be eligible for benefits regardless of the income of the household with whom they reside. Eligibility for a foster child is based on the child's income.

Application forms are being distributed to all households with a letter informing households of the availability of free and reduced price meals for their children. Applications also are available at the Principal's office in each school. To apply for free and reduced-price meals, households must fill out the application and return it to the school. Applications may be submitted anytime during the school year. The information households provide on the application will be used for the purpose of determining eligibility and verification of data. Applications may be verified by the school officials at any time during the school year.

For school officials to determine eligibility for free and reduced price benefits, households receiving food stamps or TANF only have to list their child's name, food stamp or TANF case number and an adult household member must sign the application.

Households who do not list food stamp or TANF case number must list the names of all household

members, the amount and source of income received by each household member and the social security number of the adult household member who signs the application. If the adult who signs the application does not have a social security number, the household member must indicate that a social security number is not available by writing the word "NONE." The application must be signed by an adult household member.

Under the provision of the free and reduced price meal policy, the Food Service Director and Jr. High Cashier I will review applications and determine eligibility. Parents wishing to make a formal appeal for a hearing on the decision may make a request either orally or in writing to: Superintendent Rodney Sumner, 403 E. 11th, Spearman, TX 79081, telephone (806) 659-3233.

Households that list food stamps or TANF case number must report when the household no longer received these benefits. Other households approved for benefits based on income information must report increases in household income over \$50 per month or \$600 per year and decreases in household size. Also, if a household member becomes unemployed or if the household size increases, the household should contact the school. Such changes may make the children of the household eligible for benefits if the household's income falls at or below the levels shown above.

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The Spearman School offers a choice of a healthy meal each day. Children may buy lunch for \$2.00

- high school, \$2.00 - junior high, or \$1.75 - elementary. Breakfast for all grades is \$1.00. The snack bar will be strictly cash, and may not be used with lunch tickets. There will be no charging at high school. Only three charges will be allowed

at jr. high and elementary. Children who qualify under the U.S. Dept. of Agriculture guidelines may get meals free or at a reduced price of 40¢ for lunch, and 30¢ for breakfast. Parents, the best time to purchase lunch and break-

fast tickets is between 7:30 a.m. and 8:15 a.m. Tickets may be purchased in the Jr. High/Elementary Dining Room or the High School Kitchen or Lunch Room Office. Please purchase lunch tickets instead of sending money.

## Gruver I.S.D. Free and Reduced-Price Lunch Program

Children need healthy meals to learn. Gruver ISD offers healthy meals every day. Breakfast costs \$1.00; lunch costs Pre-kindergarten-4th grade - \$1.50 and 5th-12th grade - \$2.00. Your children may qualify for free meals or for reduced-price meals. Reduced price is 30¢ for breakfast and 40¢ for lunch.

To apply for free or reduced-price meals, use the Free and Reduced-Price School Meals Application, which will be given to each child the first week of school.

Here are answers to questions you may have about applying:

**1. Do I need to fill out an application for each child?** No. Complete the application to apply for free or reduced-price meals. Use one Free and Reduced-Price School Meals Application for all students in your household. We cannot approve an application that is not complete, so be sure to fill out required information. Return the completed application to: Tammy Mitchell, school cafeteria, 733-2032.

**2. Who can get free or reduced-price meals?** Children in households receiving Food Stamps or TANF can get free meals regardless of household income. Also, if your household income is within the limits of the Federal Income Guidelines.

**3. Can homeless, runaway and migrant children get free meals?** Please call school counselor at 733-5111 or Mr. David Teal at 733-2001 to see if your child(ren) qualify, if you have not been informed that they will get

free meals.

**4. Who can get reduced price meals?** Your children can get low cost meals if your household income is within the reduced-price limits on the Federal Income Chart.

**5. Should I fill out an application if I got a letter this school year saying my children are approved for free or reduced-price meals?** Please read the letter you got carefully and follow the instructions. Call the school at 733-2032 if you have questions.

**6. I get WIC. Can my child(ren) get free meals?** Children in households participating in WIC may be eligible for free or reduced-price meals. Please fill out an application.

**7. Will my information be checked?** Yes. We may ask you to send written proof.

**8. If I don't qualify now, may I apply again later?** Yes. You may apply at any time during the school year if your household size goes up, income goes down, or if you start receiving Food Stamps, TANF, or other benefits. If you lose your job, your children may be able to receive free or reduced-lunch meals.

**9. What if I disagree with the school's decision about my application?** You should talk to a school official. You also may ask for a hearing by calling or writing to: David Teal at 405 Garrett, Gruver, TX 79040, or call 733-2001.

**10. May I apply if someone in my household is not a U.S. citizen?** Yes. You or your child(ren) do not have to be a U.S. citizen to qualify for free or reduced-price meals.

**11. Who should I include as members of my household?** You must include all people living in your household, related or not (such as grandparents, other relatives or friends). You must include yourself and all children who live with you.

**12. What if my income is not always the same?** List the amount that you normally get. For example, if you get \$1000 each month, but you missed some work last month and only got \$900, put down that you get \$1000 per month. If you normally get overtime, include it, but not if you get it only sometimes.

**13. We are in the military, do we include our housing allowance as income?** If your housing is part of the Military Housing Privatization Initiative, do not include your housing allowance as income. All other allowances must be included in your gross income.

If you have other questions or need help, call 733-2032. Si necesita ayuda, por favor llame al telefono: 733-2032. Si vous voudriez

d'aide, contactez nous au numero: 733-2032.

### Instructions for Applying

Use a separate application for each foster child. List other children together.

**If you are applying for a Foster Child, follow these instructions:**

**Part 1:** List the child's name, school and grade.

**Part 2:** List the child's personal use monthly income, if any.

**Part 3:** Skip this part.

**Part 4:** Sign the form. A Social Security Number is not necessary.

**If your household receives Food Stamps or TEMPORARY ASSISTANCE TO NEEDY FAMILIES (TANF), follow these instructions:**

**Part 1:** List the child's name, school and grade.

**Part 2:** Skip this part.

**Part 3:** Skip this part.

**Part 4:** Sign the form. A Social Security Number is not necessary.

**If you are applying for a HOMELESS, MIGRANT OR RUNAWAY CHILD, follow these instructions:**

**Part 1:** List the child's name, school and grade.

**Part 2:** Check the appropriate box.

**Part 3:** Skip this part.

**Part 4:** Sign the form. A Social Security Number is not necessary.

**ALL OTHER HOUSEHOLDS, follow these instructions:**

**Part 1:** List each child's name, school and grade. **Optional (Social Security Number, Student I.D., or Date of Birth).**

**Part 2:** Skip this part.

**Part 3:** Follow these instructions to report total household income from last month.

**Column 1 - Names:** List the last, first and middle name of each person living in your household, related or not (such as grandparents, other relatives, or friends). You must include yourself and all children who live with you.

**Column 2 - Last month's income and how often it was received:** List the types of income your household received last month and how often.

**Employment Income:** List the gross income each person earned last month. It is not the same as the take-home pay. **Gross income is the amount earned before taxes and deductions.** It should be listed on your pay stub or your boss can tell you. Next to the amount, write how often you receive it (weekly, every-other-week, twice-a-month, or monthly).

**Other Income:** List the total amount each person received last month from all other sources. Include welfare, child support, alimony, pensions, retirement, Social Security, Worker's Compensation, unemployment, strike benefits, Supplemental Security Income (SSI), Veteran's benefits (VA benefits), disability benefits, regular contributions from people who do not live in your household, and ANY OTHER INCOME. Report net income for self-owned business, farm, or rental income. Next to the amount, write how often the person received it.

**Column 3 - Check if no income:** If the person does not have any income, check the box.

**Part 4:** An adult household member must sign the form and list his or her Social Security Number or mark the box if he or she doesn't have one.

### PRIVACY ACT STATEMENT:

This explains how we will use the information you give us. The National School Lunch Act requires the information on this application. You do not have to give the information, but if you do not, we cannot approve your children for free or reduced-price meals. The Social Security Number of the adult household member who signs the application is required unless you list Food Stamp or TANF case numbers for all children you are applying for OR if you are applying for a foster child. You must check the "I do not have a Social Security Number" box if the adult household member signing the application does not have a Social Security Number. We WILL use your information to see if your children are eligible for free or reduced-price meals, to operate the program, and to enforce the rules of the program. We MAY share your eligibility information with education, health, and nutrition programs to help them evaluate, fund or determine benefits for their programs, auditors for program reviews, and law enforcement officials to help them look into misuse of program rules.

### NON-DISCRIMINATION STATEMENT:

This explains what to do if you believe you have been treated unfairly. In accordance with federal law and U.S. Department of Agriculture policy, this institution is prohibited from discriminating on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, age or disability. To file a complaint of discrimination, write to USDA, Director, Office of Civil Rights, Room 326-W, Whitten Building, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, D.C. 20250-9410 or call 202/720-5964 (voice and TDD). USDA is an equal opportunity provider and employer.

Household size	Federal poverty guidelines Annual	Reduced price meals—185%					Free meals—130%				
		Annual	Monthly	Twice per month	Every two weeks	Weekly	Annual	Monthly	Twice per month	Every two weeks	Weekly
<b>48 Contiguous States, District of Columbia, Guam, and Territories</b>											
1	10,400	19,240	1,604	802	740	370	13,220	1,127	564	520	260
2	14,000	25,900	2,159	1,080	997	499	18,200	1,517	759	700	350
3	17,600	32,560	2,714	1,357	1,253	627	22,880	1,907	954	880	440
4	21,200	39,220	3,269	1,635	1,509	755	27,560	2,297	1,149	1,060	530
5	24,800	45,880	3,824	1,912	1,765	883	32,240	2,687	1,344	1,240	620
6	28,400	52,540	4,379	2,190	2,021	1,011	36,920	3,077	1,539	1,420	710
7	32,000	59,200	4,934	2,467	2,277	1,138	41,600	3,467	1,734	1,600	800
8	35,600	65,860	5,489	2,745	2,534	1,267	46,280	3,857	1,929	1,780	890
For each add'l family member, add	3,600	6,660	555	278	257	129	4,680	390	195	180	90
<b>Alaska</b>											
1	13,000	24,050	2,005	1,003	925	463	16,900	1,409	705	650	325
2	17,500	32,375	2,698	1,349	1,246	623	22,750	1,896	948	875	438
3	22,000	40,700	3,392	1,696	1,566	783	28,600	2,384	1,192	1,100	550
4	26,500	49,025	4,086	2,043	1,886	943	34,450	2,871	1,436	1,325	663
5	31,000	57,350	4,780	2,390	2,206	1,103	40,300	3,359	1,680	1,550	775
6	35,500	65,675	5,473	2,737	2,526	1,263	46,150	3,846	1,923	1,775	888
7	40,000	74,000	6,167	3,084	2,847	1,424	52,000	4,334	2,167	2,000	1,000
8	44,500	82,325	6,861	3,431	3,167	1,584	57,850	4,821	2,411	2,225	1,113
For each add'l family member, add	4,500	8,325	694	347	321	161	5,850	488	244	225	113
<b>Hawaii</b>											
1	11,960	22,126	1,844	922	851	426	15,548	1,296	648	598	299
2	16,100	29,785	2,483	1,242	1,146	573	20,930	1,745	873	805	403
3	20,240	37,444	3,121	1,561	1,441	721	26,312	2,193	1,097	1,012	506
4	24,380	45,103	3,759	1,880	1,735	868	31,694	2,642	1,321	1,216	610
5	28,520	52,762	4,397	2,199	2,030	1,015	37,076	3,090	1,545	1,426	713
6	32,660	60,421	5,036	2,518	2,324	1,162	42,458	3,539	1,770	1,633	817
7	36,800	68,080	5,674	2,837	2,619	1,310	47,840	3,987	1,994	1,840	920
8	40,940	75,739	6,312	3,156	2,914	1,457	53,222	4,436	2,218	2,047	1,024
For each add'l family member, add	4,140	7,659	639	320	295	148	5,362	449	225	207	104

**Multi-Child Free and Reduced-Price School Meals Application for 2008-09**

Local Educational Authority

**Part 1. Children in School (Use a separate application for each foster child.)**

Names of all children in school (Last, First, Middle Initial)	School Name	Social Security #, Student I.D. or Date of Birth (OPTIONAL)	Grade	Eligibility Group # for Food Stamp or TANF (if any)
1.				
2.				
3.				
4.				
5.				
6.				

If you listed an Eligibility Group # for Food Stamp or TANF, check box  and list the amount of the child's personal use monthly income: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Part 2. Foster Child**  
If this application is for a child who is the legal responsibility of a welfare agency or court, check box  and list the amount of the child's personal use monthly income: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Part 3. Household Members and Gross Income From Last Month (List each person in the household. For each person who receives income, write the amount received and how often it is received.)**

1. Name (List everyone in household)	2. Income and how often it is received. Weekly (W), Every 2 Weeks (E), Twice a Month (T), Monthly (M).	3. Check if NO Income.
Example: Smith, Jane B.	Earnings from work before deductions: \$200/E Welfare, child support, alimony: \$50/M	<input type="checkbox"/>
1.		<input type="checkbox"/>
2.		<input type="checkbox"/>
3.		<input type="checkbox"/>
4.		<input type="checkbox"/>
5.		<input type="checkbox"/>
6.		<input type="checkbox"/>
7.		<input type="checkbox"/>
8.		<input type="checkbox"/>
9.		<input type="checkbox"/>

**Part 4. Signature and Social Security Number (Adult must sign.)**

An adult household member must sign the application. If you do not have a Social Security Number or mark the "I do not have a Social Security Number" box. (See Privacy Act Statement on the "Instructions for Applying" page.)

I certify (promise) that all information on this application is true and that all income is reported. I understand that the school will get federal funds based on the information I give. I understand that school officials may verify (check) the information. I understand that if I purposely give false information, my children may lose meal benefits, and I may be prosecuted.

Sign here: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Social Security Number: \_\_\_\_\_  I do not have a Social Security Number.  
 Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

**Do not fill out this part. For school use only.**

Multiple income frequencies must be converted to annual amounts and combined to determine household income. If converting household income to annual amounts, round only the final number. Do not convert if the household provides only one income frequency.

Annual Income Conversion: Weekly x 52, Every 2 Weeks x 26, Twice a Month x 24, Monthly x 12

Household Income: \_\_\_\_\_ Household Size: \_\_\_\_\_ FS/TANF: \_\_\_\_\_ Date Withdrawn: \_\_\_\_\_

Eligibility: Free: \_\_\_\_\_ Reduced: \_\_\_\_\_ Denied: \_\_\_\_\_ Reason: \_\_\_\_\_

Temporary: Free: \_\_\_\_\_ Time Period: \_\_\_\_\_ (expires after \_\_\_\_\_ days)

Reviewing Official's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Confirming Official's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Follow-up Official's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Multi-Child Free and Reduced-Price School Meals Application for 2008-09 - continuation sheet**

**Part 1. Children in School - continuation sheet**

Names of all children in school (Last, First, Middle Initial)	School Name	Social Security #, Student I.D. or Date of Birth (OPTIONAL)	Grade	Eligibility Group # for Food Stamp or TANF (if any)
7.				
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15.				

**Part 3. Household Members and Gross Income From Last Month (List each person in the household. For each person who receives income, write the amount received and how often it is received.)**

1. Name (List everyone in household)	2. Income and how often it is received. Weekly (W), Every 2 Weeks (E), Twice a Month (T), Monthly (M).	3. Check if NO Income.
	Earnings from work before deductions Welfare, child support, alimony Pensions, retirement, Social Security Other	<input type="checkbox"/>
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**Privacy Act Statement:** This explains how we will use the information you give us. The National School Lunch Act requires the information on this application. You do not have to give the information, but if you do not, we cannot approve your children for free or reduced-price meals. The Social Security Number of the adult household member who signs the application is required unless you list an eligibility group number for Food Stamp or TANF OR if you are applying for a foster child. You must check the "I do not have a Social Security Number" box if the adult household member signing the application does not have a Social Security Number. We WILL use your information to see if your children are eligible for free or reduced-price meals, to operate the program, and to enforce the rules of the program. We MAY share your eligibility information with education, health and nutrition programs to help them evaluate, fund or determine benefits for their programs, auditors for program reviews and law enforcement officials to help them look into misuse of program rules.

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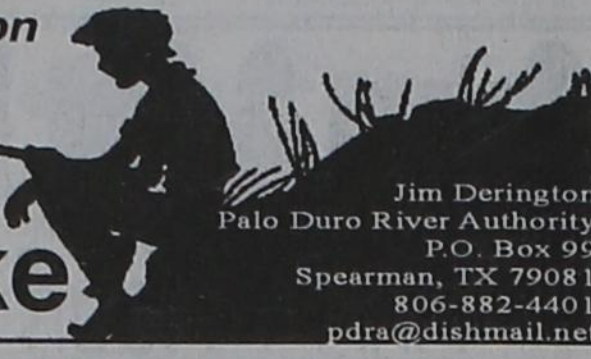
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# Out at the Lake



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Lake Level--August 25, 2008--21.90 feet (+4.11)

Recent rains brought Lake Palo Duro, up four and three quarter feet. Now it is declining fast, as it always does, after a significant rise. Horse Creek, once again, accounted for all the water. The Palo Duro Creek did get within a half mile of the bridge, here at the lake, before it stopped running. The rain gauge at the office showed 2.63 inches, from August 13 - 19. Many other reports were higher than that.

The Clint Davis 2nd Annual Memorial Cook Off was held at the park behind the dam, over the weekend. Contestants entered brisket, pork, ribs, beans, side dish, and dessert categories. Three places were awarded in each category. Johnny Vera won the trophy for the most points, among the winners. A complete list of winners was not available, at this writing. A feast of the cooks' food was held at the shelter, following the award ceremony. The park had fifteen R.V. campers, and some tents, most being contestants or fans of the cook off. Many of the cookers are large, and mounted on trailers. Randy Davis started it last year, and the cook off is growing by leaps and bounds. It was a beautiful weekend. The grass was green, and freshly manicured by Ramon Cantu and Darin Huckins. The City of



The Clint Davis 2nd Annual Memorial Cook Off was held at the park behind the dam, over the weekend. Some of the winners were: (L-R) Gary Garrett, Randy Davis, Johnny Vera, Micah Davis, and Mark Davis.



Spearman was generous enough to fog for mosquitoes. I don't remember having more compliments on how nice the park looked. These events are great exposure for our park. As the evening wound

down, a swarm of Dragonflies were observed near the shelter. I did not find the exact species, to see if this is a common occurrence. Perhaps there will be a follow up on this subject, at a later date.

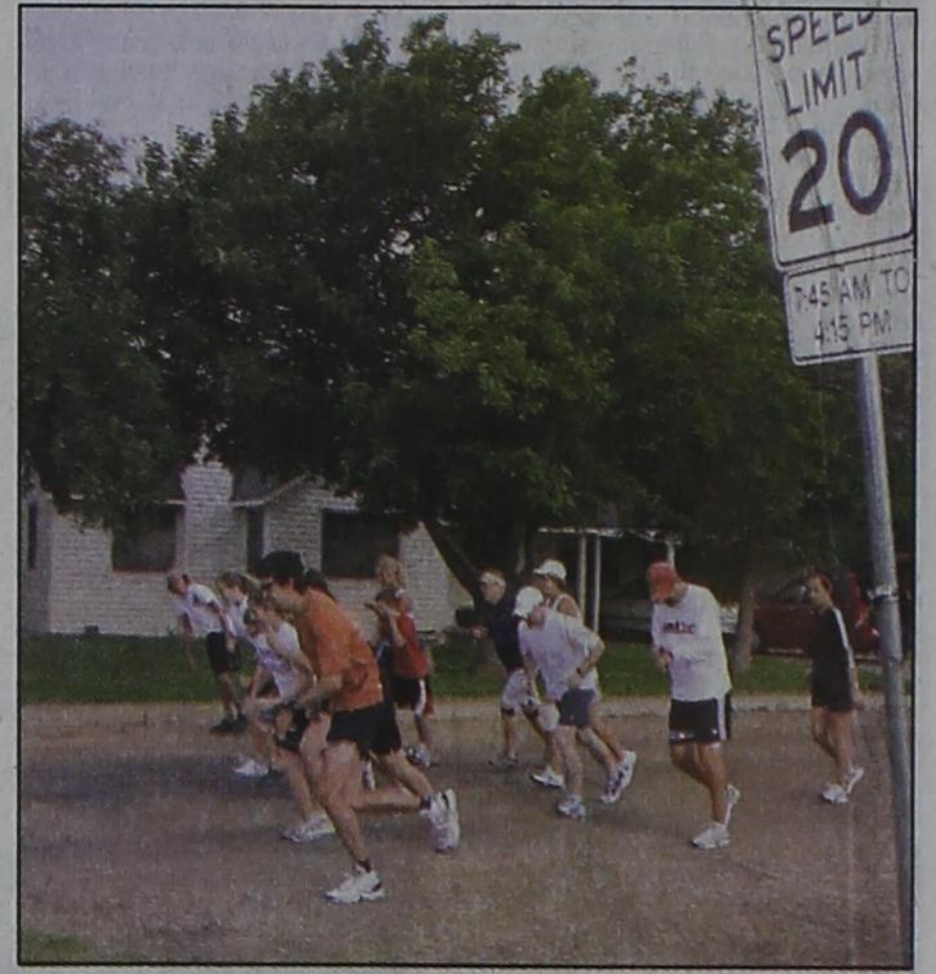
# Circle of Friends 5K Run Held

Dinner/Auction Set for Sept. 13th

The Hansford County Circle of Friends held the first Circle of Friends 5K Run and Family Walk at the Gruver High School Stadium on Saturday, August 23, 2008. There was a great turnout of runners, walkers and supporters of the Circle of Friends. Winning our 3 mile race around Gruver was Gonzalo Vega a Gruver High School cross country athlete. The Hansford County Circle of Friends would like to thank everyone who came out Saturday and showed their support of our organization's mission and especially thank Scottie Davis for all his help putting the event together.

If you missed the race, do not fret—you can still come out to support the Circle of Friends at our upcoming dinner and auction, Saturday, September 13, 2008 at 7 p.m. at the O'Loughlin Center in Spearman. Tickets are \$35 couple/\$20 single and can be purchased by contacting Holly McLain 806-733-2268 or Erika Stedje 806-733-2861. With your attendance you are welcomed as an honorary ambassador to The Don & Sybil Harrington Cancer Center Circle of Friends.

The Circle of Friends is a non-profit volunteer organization founded to support the philosophy and goals of The Don & Sybil Harrington Cancer Center. The purpose of Circle of Friends is to provide cancer patients and their families financial assistance in times of crisis, and to support programs in cancer treatment, education and research. All money raised by the Circle of Friends stays in the Panhandle.



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