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Support Our Troops

"Support Our Troops" has been a political battle-cry for quite a while. Unfortunately, those who shout this euphemism the loudest seem to be the ones who care the least.

In his second Inaugural address in 1865, President Abraham Lincoln said that we are charged with the duty "to care for him who shall have borne the battle and for his widow, and his orphan."

Some of us just don't seem to get it.

Some veteran outpatients have been at the Walter Reed Hospital, a couple of miles from the White House and the Capitol, for as long as a year.

According to the Miami Herald, "They've been living in rat and roach-infested rooms, some of which are coated in black mold."

These brave veterans are entitled to much better. They are entitled to the love and support of ALL Americans.

The Veteran's Administration is underfunded and having its services cut back daily. How dare those swagging bums who have never served in the uniform of our country attempt to financially strip the V.A.

If you really care, even a little bit, about "supporting our troops," why not take a moment to contact our US Senators from Texas and ask them to support our troops by letting them know they will be cared for when they return home?

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Askew presents Writer's Workshop at OPSU

One of the Oklahoma Panhandle's favorite authors, Oklahoma born and raised Rilla Askew, is returning to No Man's Land.

On April 14th Rilla is giving a Writer's Workshop that Saturday morning and then a lecture and book signing that evening. She is lecturing on the book that is printed this April, *Harpson*, at the Guyton Community Theater.

Last year when writing the book, Rilla came and gave a workshop in Guyton and did some research at No Man's Land Museum in Goodwell. She is also the author of a collection of stories, *Strange Business*, which won the Oklahoma Book Award in 1993, and three novels.

Her first novel, *The Mercy Seat*, was a PEN/Faulkner nominee and

earned her a second Oklahoma Book Award and the Western Heritage Award in 1998. Her second novel, *Fire in Beulah*, has been selected as the Oklahoma Reads Oklahoma Book for 2007, and also won the American Book Award and the Myers Book Award from the Gustavus Myers Center for the Study of Bigotry

and Human Rights. *Harpson*, is set in 1930's Oklahoma.

Askew teaches creative writing at the University of Oklahoma and lives in Oklahoma and New York. For more information on the lecture and workshop, contact Rachel Sides at the Guyton City Library, 580-338-7330. Rilla is sponsored by the Guyton City Library.



Author Rilla Askew

World Day of Prayer March 2, 2007

The World Day of Prayer service will be held on Friday, March 2nd at the First United Methodist Church in Spearman. Coffee and fellowship will begin at 9:30 a.m., with the program starting at 10.

The World Day of Prayer is an ecumenical movement of informed prayer and prayerful action.

The World Day of Prayer worship service has a special annual theme. This year's theme is United Under God's Tent, and was prepared by women of Paraguay.

The selection of themes and writers is made at the quadrennial WDP International Committee Meeting. Once the themes and writers are chosen, women of the selected WDP Committee develop a common worship on the theme determined at the international meeting.

Through preparation and participation in the worship service, we can come to know how our sisters of other countries, languages and cultures understand the biblical passages in their context. We can hear their concerns and needs and can feel ourselves in solidarity with them. In this way it is possible to experience the richness of the Christian faith as it grows deeper and broader in an international, ecumenical expression.

World Day of Prayer is a worldwide movement of Christian women of many traditions who come together to observe a common day of prayer each year, and who, in many countries, have a continuing relationship in prayer and service.

- It is a movement initiated and carried out by women in more than 170 countries and regions.

- It is a movement symbolized by an annual day of celebration – the first Friday of March – to which all people are welcome.

- It is a movement which brings together women of various races, cultures and traditions in closer fellowship, understanding and action throughout the year.

Through World Day of Prayer, women around the world

- affirm their faith in Jesus Christ

- share their hopes and fears, their joys and sorrows, their opportunities and needs.

Through World Day of Prayer, women are encouraged

- to become aware of the whole world and no longer live in isolation

- to be enriched by the faith experience of Christians of other countries and cultures

- to take up the burdens of other people and pray with and for them
- to become aware of their talents and use them in the service of society.

Through World Day of Prayer, women affirm that prayer and action are inseparable and that both have immeasurable influence in the world.

Round II of the Regional Safe Room Program

With the start of the severe weather season in sight, the Panhandle Regional Planning Commission (PRPC) today announced the start of the second round application period for the Regional Residential Safe Room Rebate Program. The Safe Room Rebate Program provides approved homeowners with a rebate to partially cover the cost of installing a safe room/tornado shelter in their home. The program is open to residents throughout the Texas Panhandle.

This program is being funded through a Federal Emergency Management Agency grant the PRPC received through the Governor's Division of Emergency Management (GDEM). To be eligible to participate, residents must own the home in which the safe room will be installed. Mobile home owners must own their home and the land on which their mobile home sits.

Homeowners can receive a rebate of up to 50% on the cost of installing a shelter in their home. The maximum amount of grant funds paid for a shelter has been capped by the State at \$2,500.

The Safe Room Program is relatively new to the State of Texas. In fact, the program was implemented first in the Texas Panhandle. The PRPC concluded its first round application cycle in November with the funding of 235 shelters. Stefan Bressler, PRPC Regional Program Coordinator, said that all things considered, the program is going very smoothly. "We've basically served as the test case for the program in Texas," said Bressler. "GDEM has been very accommodating in letting us set up a program to fit our needs in the Panhandle and that has allowed us to run the program with the minimum of red tape."

PRPC will accept Round II applications through April 27, 2007. Residents interested in applying for a rebate will find the application form and guidance on the PRPC's website at www.thepRPC.org. Residents can also obtain rebate information by contacting Stefan Bressler at (806) 372-3381. After the application deadline has passed, the PRPC will select the successful applicants using a modified lottery system. Currently, a certain number of safe rooms are set aside for each county in the region - Hansford County was been allotted 18. Five rooms and five mobile homes were awarded in Round I, with 13 still available in Round II.

Applications from the same county will be drawn at random until the allocation for that county has been filled. Any rebate allocations not used in one or more counties will be thrown into a regional pool and used to help meet the excess demand in counties where the requests received is greater than the number of rooms allocated for that county. There will be approximately 550 safe room rebates available under Round II of this regional program.

ROUND II Program Implementation Schedule

| TARGET Date | Implementation Activity |
|-------------------|---|
| February 23, 2007 | Announced Start Date of the Panhandle Regional Residential Safe Room/Storm Shelter Rebate program. This is the date on which the PRPC will officially begin accepting applications for rebates. Applicants can submit rebate requests for NSSA-certified units installed after May 23, 2006 or for units that have yet to be installed. |
| April 27, 2007 | Deadline for submission of Residential Safe Room Rebate applications. Applications must be received by 5:00 p.m. on this date in order to be eligible for lottery participation. |
| May 2, 2007 | PRPC will complete the lottery selections for the approximate 550 rooms currently available. |

LOCAL WEATHER FORECAST

THURSDAY NIGHT - Partly cloudy. Lows in the upper 20s. Northwest winds 10 to 15 mph.
FRIDAY - Partly cloudy. Highs in the lower 50s. Northwest winds 10 to 20 mph.
FRIDAY NIGHT - Partly cloudy. Lows in the mid 20s. North winds 15 to 20 mph.
SATURDAY - Partly cloudy. Breezy. Highs around 50.
SATURDAY NIGHT - Mostly clear. Lows in the upper 20s.
SUNDAY - Partly cloudy. Warmer. Highs in the upper 60s.
SUNDAY NIGHT - Mostly clear. Lows in the mid 30s.
MONDAY - Partly cloudy. Highs in the upper 60s.
MONDAY NIGHT - Partly cloudy. Lows in the mid 30s.
TUESDAY - Partly cloudy. Highs in the upper 60s.
TUESDAY NIGHT - Mostly clear. Lows in the mid 30s.
WEDNESDAY - Mostly sunny. Highs in the lower 70s.

Sheriff Evans Issues Appeal to Citizens in Fight Against Crime

Responding to the increased number of citizens wanting to assist law enforcement officials and build a stronger partnership in the fight against crime, Sheriff Gary Evans has announced that Hansford County Citizens are being invited to become Associate Members of the Sheriff's Association of Texas.

Membership invitations will go out in the mail shortly. The funding provides critically technical resources, training, and legislative support on key criminal justice issues.

In addition, dues will be used to support crime prevention and awareness programs, promote public safety, fight drug abuse, provide additional training for sheriffs and their deputies, and provide scholarships for children of law enforcement officers.

Contributions are tax deductible. "The Associate Membership Drive helps provide the funding which is vital to our mission of making our communities safer places to live, work and play," said Sheriff Evans.

Citizens not receiving a membership appeal or desiring more information can contact the Sheriff's Association of Texas at: 1601 S IH-25, Austin TX 78741. www.txsherrifs.org

The Associate Membership Program was created to provide citizens with an opportunity to lend their support to more effective law enforcement and to better help local Sheriffs protect the lives and property of citizens.

"As the need for building stronger public-private law enforcement partnerships in this country continues to escalate, programs such as this continue to grow in importance," said Sheriff Evans. "I encourage every citizen receiving a membership appeal to consider joining forces with us by becoming an Associate Member. It is a valuable investment in our future."

Founded in 1874, the Sheriff's Association of Texas is a 501 (c)(3) non-profit professional and educational organization dedicated to the preservation of peace and the protection of the lives and property of the citizens of Texas. Mr. Steve M. Westbrook serves as the Executive Director. Headquarters are located in Austin, Texas. The Sheriff's Association of Texas does not make solicitations by telephone. If you receive a phone call from someone who uses the Sheriff's Association of Texas name, please report it to your local Sheriff or County/District Attorney.

DEADLINE NOTICE

The deadline to submit news and advertising to the Hansford County Reporter-Statesman is Monday at 5 p.m. Items submitted after the deadline will be published at a later date, as time and space permit.

For more information, please contact Catherine Smith at 659-3434, or e-mail me at cathysmith@antden.com.

Words from Faith & Grace

by Cecil R. Biggers, Lutheran Lay Minister

As we continue to emulate Christ in the wilderness by examining our own lives and purposes, we study Genesis 15:1-18, Psalm 27, Philippians 3:14-4:1, and Luke 13:31-35. Abraham, called by God to leave his home country and move to a far off land, is in the process of obeying God when he is struck with doubt. The Lord has promised him a son, an heir. In a vision, Abraham's question of faith is answered. To seal this covenant, Abraham takes a heifer, a female goat, a ram, a turtledove and a young pigeon and sacrifices them by cutting the larger animals in half, placing each to one side or the other. He then sees a smoking fire pot and a flaming torch pass between the animal parts. He believes God, and God counts this as "righteousness". Please note that in this passage "righteousness" indicates "fidelity to a relationship". The ritual described is actually one of sealing a contract (covenant) in Abraham's age. The ritual was the "consideration" for the agreement; today we give a small amount of money, in Abraham's time, animals were ritually killed and the parties passed between the slain bodies of the animals to "seal" the deal.

These "blessings" of Abraham can also be viewed as a test. Will Abraham follow God without these blessings? Abraham was following God and God reassured Abraham by His contract/covenant.

The Psalmist, probably the young warrior David, sings a song of faith in the protection of God; yet, he also sings to be allowed to live in the house of the Lord all the days of his life; to behold the beauty of the Lord; and, to inquire of the Lord in His temple.

Paul is requesting the Philippians to "be of the same mind." Mature Christians should not be looking back on their accomplishments but continuing to run forward to achieve the goal of their call by God. Paul asks that they emulate him and those who live according to his example. The believers' citizenship is in Heaven and the Lord will transform their bodies for that heavenly glory. God performs His covenant, we must perform ours.

Jesus is warned by some of the Pharisees that Herod seeks to kill him. Jesus replies, "Go and tell that fox..." In Hebrew shu-AL, fox, means crafty, but also is used of "lesser men", worthless degenerate rulers. By His reply, Jesus has questioned Herod's moral status, his pedigree, and his leadership, all in one reply. Jesus shows his determination to go to Jerusalem; He shows himself as having authority over demons and illnesses, and shows himself as a prophet of God. Jesus compares himself to a mother hen who would gather her chicks during danger. Spreading her wings against the attacker and exposing her breast to shield her brood. The chosen "children" in Jerusalem refuse this "chick" status thus denying God and choosing to go it alone. Later we see Christ spreading His arms, baring his chest on calvary's hill for our sins because of God's covenant.

May the Holy Spirit purify your hearts that you may gather under His arms.

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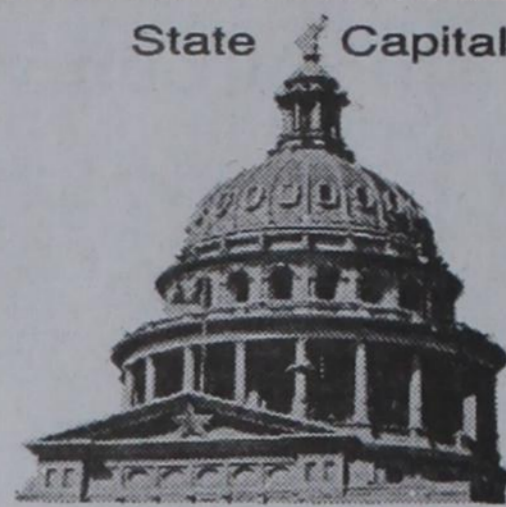
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HIGHLIGHTS
By Ed Sterling



HOUSE 'BUSTS' SPENDING CAP WITH SENIOR CITIZEN PROPERTY TAX BREAK

AUSTIN - The Texas House of Representatives concurred with the state Senate in passing Senate Concurrent Resolution 20, a measure guaranteeing a property tax break for senior citizens by "busting" the state spending cap.

Warren Chisum, R-Pampa, chairman of the House Appropriations Committee, said it wouldn't be a problem to devote \$14 billion to tax relief for seniors now, before the House gets any deeper into the budgeting process.

SCR 20 passed on a vote of 95-50, drawing opposition from House members who felt it would be better to wait until:

(1) State Comptroller Susan Combs delivers a revenue estimate, and (2) the House Appropriations Committee prioritizes and funds all of the demands in the state budget.

Reps. Jim Dunning, D-Waco, and Pete Gallego, D-Alpine, said passing SCR 20 was putting the cart before the horse. Both lawmakers said the House, like a family, has to know how much money is in the bank before deciding how to spend it.

Coal plant plan slows down
Austin State District Judge Stephen Yelenosky in effect said "not so fast" to Gov. Rick Perry's executive order to speed up by six months the permit process for the building of 11 coal-fired power plants on sites across Texas.

Yelenosky instructed judges with the State Office of Administrative Hearings to ignore Perry's executive order. That office conducts the public hearings, and the input from those hearings is supposed to go into the decision-making process. The Texas Commission on Environmental Quality has the final say.

Groups of citizens have been protesting the construction of new coal-fired power plants, arguing that the plants pose health hazards by dumping toxins and particulate matter into the air.

Activists staged anti-coal demonstrations downtown and a small plane putted along in the sky above the Capitol dome, dragging a banner picturing a child's coal-smudged face with the words "Coal Is Dirty."

Lawmakers fight HPV order
Gov. Perry's early February executive order requiring girls entering the sixth grade to get vaccinated against Human papillomavirus raised a ruckus in the Texas Legislature.

Lawmakers are moving toward passing legislation to override Perry's executive order.

Sen. Jane Nelson, R-Lewisville, and others, criticized the chief executive for trying to legislate and for trying to seize parents' authority to make decisions concerning the health of their children.

The governor's connection to pharmaceutical giant Merck, the manufacturer of Gardasil, the vaccine for HPV, has prompted questions on his motive for issuing the executive order.

Defibrillator legislation is filed
Texas schools that don't already have Automated External Defibrillators would be required to get them under legislation sponsored by Rep. Juan "Chuy" Hinojosa, D-McAllen.

Hinojosa's Senate Bill 7 is part of Lt. Gov. David Dewhurst's sweeping "Texas Children First" package of legislation.

The devices, which cost about \$2,000, are capable of restarting a stopped heart. The need for them at school athletic functions has been widely publicized.

Co-authors of SB 7 include Sens. Jane Nelson, R-Lewisville; Leticia Van de Putte, D-San Antonio; Bob Deuell, R-Greenville; and Florence Shapiro, R-Plano.

About half of the state's 8,000 public school campuses do not have the lifesaving devices, the Texas Education Agency reported.

Bill addresses future water needs
Sen. Kip Averitt, R-Waco, on Feb. 22, filed legislation to develop, manage and preserve the state's water supply decades into the future.

Senate Bill 3 addresses flow requirements and water rights permitting and includes measures to manage existing and future water supplies.

Lt. Gov. David Dewhurst, lauded Averitt for filing SB 3, saying, "By the year 2060 our population will have more than doubled, yet the amount of available water will remain the same."

"That means unless we take the necessary steps today, we will lack the water we need to support our fast growing population tomorrow."

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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

March 1
Birthdays - Lori Swink, Justin Ooley, David Stafford, Michael Rosales, Eddie Goodrich, Gary Cates, Ruby Mitchell, Mary Saldavar, Nora Baca, John Duncan, Peggy Robinson, Caleb Miller, Danny Parker
Anniversary - M/M Robbie Dewberry, M/M Harold King, Norlan & Linda Winegarner

March 2
Birthdays - Wynn (Maupin) Essler, Justin Thompson, Tonni Yanke, Olive "Babe" Pendergraft, Wayne Barber, Matthew Baker, Carma Dorton, Bob Farr, Robin McCullough, Rachelle Moreno, Josh Winegarner, Ryan Hill, Sammy Renteria
Anniversary - M/M Joel Lackey

March 3
Birthdays - Sue Smith, Jackie Womble, Vicky Papay, Doris Brogdon, Kim Scroggs, Kelley Hart, Cass Lasater, Andy Scarborough, Brian Black, Darla Black, Amber Fox, Allan Taylor, Denise Schuman, Crystal Harris, Richard Melton, Paxton Pittman, Matt Wheelock, Pam Schnell
March 4
Birthdays - Evelyn Dahl, Don Evans, Tanner Sherrill, Tommy Hahn, Jon Garnett, Virgil Jones, Chuck Taylor, Jose Renteria, David Harbour, Ron Fox, Judy Park, Brenda Red, Ronald Kirby, Heather Hamilton, Lucio Vela, Carrie Guthrie, David Rosser

March 5
Birthdays - Ron Dunning, Beth Swink, Barry Beck, Brooks Beck, Mark Garnett, Mary Garza, Mike Cowan, Trixie Pearson, Mike Garrard, Alexis Johnson, Benny Brandvick, Steve TeBeest, Shelby Williams, Ramon Garcia, Jj Anaya
Anniversary - M/M Ramiro Morales

March 6
Birthdays - Brenda Hart, Charlie Slough, Marcie Womble, Bobby Archer, Tommy Barkley, Travis Patterson, Janet Reger, Doran Dulana, Kenneth Slough, Lindsey Clift, Nancy Evans, Mick Sharp
Anniversary - M/M A.R. Cazares

March 7
Birthdays - David Imke, Dee Dee Shelton, Mike Garnett, Molly Turner, Bernice McBride, Viola Boyd, Donald Lane, Dalwayne Whitefield, Beulah Harris, Howard Thompson
Anniversary - M/M Danny Bass, M/M Anres Ortiz, Pete & Juanita Vera

March 8
Birthdays - Patty Cator, Drew Grotegut, Mike McLain, Bill Harnish, Melvin Swene, Kirby McAdams, Deana Shields, Dee Allen, Steve Cruise, Candi Delozier, Ben Cook, Colby Red, Eric Olsen, Rae Lynn Cook, Cindee Thomas, Christi Clift, Michelle Schick
Anniversary - M/M Richard Wagner

March 9
Birthdays - Roy Byrd, Craig Cooper, Tommy Henson, Elizabeth Holt, John Brown, Mary Lou Vela, Amy Tucker, Jerry Younger, Cole Ivey, Aletha Lesley, Deann Turner, Karla Acton, Brandon Hathaway, Vickie Urban, Nita Byrd
Anniversary - M/M John Knowles, M/M Shawn Thompson, M/M Kermit Boone, M/M Dwayne Thompson, M/M Dan Wheelock

March 10
Birthdays - Shanna Jarvis, Sandy Kirby, Debby Odom, Perry Lamb, Tucker Williams, Roy Uptergrove, Ricky Reger, Reba Ooley, Pam Hart, Shane Pearce, Eugene Barnes, Jr. Barnes, Felipe Lozano, Michael Lozano, Melinda Taylor, Sandy Spivey, Curtis Pearson, Jennifer Keim, Summer Fernandez, Kelly King
Anniversary - M/M Bobby Mosier

March 11
Birthdays - Daniel Rojas, Nina Hendricks, Dorothy Buzzard, Monty Dixon, Bob Breedson, Sandi Holt, David Ortega, Willie Jones, Felipe Dominguez
Anniversary - Buddy & Amber Newman, M/M Orville Brummett

March 12
Birthdays - Loree Hart, Jason TeBeest, Lindy Tolleson, Judy Martin, Loraine Davidson, Sherry Bullard, J.L. Griffin, Sammi Johnson, Makenzie Crane, Katie Hintergardt
Anniversary - M/M Andy Hoel, M/M Tommy Henson

March 13
Birthdays - Fran Duncan, Bonnie Frick, Gene Leatherman, Brady Tidwell, Vernon Pipkin, Gary Pracher, Roy Flowers, Shannon (Holton) Steinberger, Chuck Fletcher, Lynn Williams, Kevin Bynum, Gretchen Collinsworth, Jerry Butts, Hadley Fletcher, LeAnn Sheets, Thomas Cain, Pam Mayfield
Anniversary - M/M Forrest Acker, M/M Jim Dick Goodall

March 14
Birthdays - Sue Gerardy, Chris Johnson, Brandy Shelton, Buck Tidwell, Steve Cook, Barbara Brown, Reagan Renner, James Ray Barimus, David Terry, Kelly Mills, Curtis Dudley, Mike Wilhelm, Madison Williams
Anniversary - M/M Bill Robertson, Charles & Betty West, M/M Jimmy Bishard

Our Sympathy

LOUISE KATHERINE NOVAK TURNER

QUANAH - Louise Katherine Novak Turner, 85, passed away on February 27, 2007. Graveside service will be held at the Oakes Cemetery in Limestone County, Texas. Services are scheduled for 3:00 p.m. Thursday, March 1, 2007. Officiating will be Rev. Bud Kidwell of First United Methodist Church, Quanah, Texas and Rev. Charles Anderson of University United Methodist Church, San Antonio, Texas. A memorial and celebration of Louise's life will be held at the First United Methodist Church of Quanah at a later date.

Louise was born in Canadian County, Oklahoma on January 13, 1922. She was a graduate of Spearman High School in Spearman, Texas and graduated from West Texas State University (now West Texas A & M University) with a BS in Home Economics. Louise taught home economics for 23 years at Quanah High School.

In December 1943 she married Garland C. Turner. The couple moved to Quanah, Texas in 1951 and were long time residents of that city. She was very active in the Quanah First United Methodist Church and in her community. In 1991 the location of their family owned farm supply business in Quanah became the Turner Family Center which housed the Head Start Program for Hardeman County.

Mrs. Turner has served a member and officer of various organizations over the years; president of Travis PTA, president of the Hardeman County Classroom Teacher, president of Delta Kappa Gamma, president of Hardeman County Retired School Personnel, treasurer for the United Methodist Women, secretary of Fellowship Sunday School Class, and member of the Methodist Administrative Board. She served as secretary of the Hardeman County Child Welfare Board and volunteered at the Hardeman County Museum and Historical Society. In 1981 she was awarded the Quanah Chamber of Commerce Distinguished Service Award and in 1999 was named the Woman of the Year by the Quanah Chamber of Commerce.


Louise was preceded in death by her husband, former Hardeman County Judge Garland C. Turner, her son, James W. Turner of Austin, Texas, and her brother Robert Novak of Spearman, Texas.

Survivors include her son, Lloyd Garland Turner and his wife, Karen, of Abilene, Texas; her daughter-in-law, Martine Turner of Austin; her four grandchildren: Susan Coleman and her husband Jarrett Coleman; Ryan Kellus Turner and his wife, Stephanie; Andrew Garland Turner, and Matthew Novak Turner; three great-grandsons: Brett Turner Coleman, Bradley Pearce Coleman and Liam James Turner. She also leaves her friend and care companion Leta Marsh.

Palbearers will be: Tom Turner, Bill Turner, Don Turner, Ken Turner, Kent Turner, Cliff David, and Jeff Sheets.

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MAUDIE MARIE BURROWS

CHEYENNE WELLS, CO - Maudie Marie Burrows was the first born to George Henry and Vallie (Homer) Burrows on June 1, 1914. She was born in her grandparent's home just outside Hugoton, Kansas. Maudie later welcomed home 6 siblings. Maudie was raised on the Burrows farm.

Maudie graduated from High School in Hugoton. After high school, she took her teacher's exam and became certified to teach. She taught in a one-room school-house for one year during the "dirty thirties".

Maudie married William Homer Cott on September 30, 1934 in Liberal, Kansas. Of this marriage, 5 children were born: Raymond, Robert, Irene, Leta and Louise. Raymond, Robert, and Irene were born in Southwest Kansas. Leta and Louise were not born until after the move to Eastern Colorado. While residing in Kansas, Homer and Maudie lived on the Cott homestead at Moscow for 2 years, then moved south of Hugoton where they lived the next 9 years. Homer and Maudie then purchased a farm 8 miles Southwest of Cheyenne Wells in 1948. Having arrived during a March snowstorm, they lived there two weeks before they could really get out to look over their purchase. On the farm they had a sod house, an adobe chicken house, a shop, and a wooden barn that was about two years old. The house had an exterior of unpainted stucco and had no telephone, electricity, or running water. The milk room was later turned into a bathroom and a garage was added to the house. Homer and Maudie milked cows, raised cattle and grew mostly feed crops, as well as some wheat and sudan grass. As a home maker, Maudie loved to cook, sew and oil paint. She is remembered for her homemade bread and chocolate cake. Maudie was a member of the Cheyenne Wells Christian Church. Her love of Christ was the driving force in her life. Homer and Maudie moved to town in early October 1991. Louise and her husband Don now live on the farm. It was one year later, in October 1992, that Homer passed away in the Cheyenne Wells hospital. Maudie continued to live in town until she moved to Cheyenne Manor, where she remained until her death. Her oldest son, Raymond, preceded her in death in May of 2006.

Maudie Marie Cott died February 18, at the Cheyenne Manor in Cheyenne Wells, CO. She is survived by her children, Robert and wife Betty, of Logandale, NV, Irene Baker and her husband Butch, of Spearman, TX, Leta Smalley and husband Carl of Cheyenne Wells, CO, Louise Konecne and husband Don of Cheyenne Wells, CO, 13 grandchildren and 27 great grandchildren. She is also survived by siblings, George Burrows and wife Jewell of Hugoton, KS, Everett Burrows and wife Maureen, of Hugoton, KS, Ray Burrows and wife Anita of Liberal, KS and numerous nieces and nephews. She is preceded in death by her husband, Homer, son, Raymond Cott, sisters, Pearl Carley and Fern Louise Burrows and brother, Ernest Burrows.

Funeral services were held on Wednesday February 21, 2007 at the Christian Church in Cheyenne Wells, CO with Pastor Mike Lewis officiating. Casketbearers were: Terry Latham, Johnny Hudson, Doug Chandler, Greg Smalley, Harvey Friesen, Tom Graber, Monty Famey, and Rick Woodbridge. Pianist Marilyn Boswell and vocalist David Smalley provided the musical selections "The Eastern Gate" and "Precious Lord Take My Hand". Final committal services were held at the Fairview Cemetery in Cheyenne Wells, CO. Memorial contributions may be made to the Cheyenne Wells Christian Church or Cheyenne Manor Nursing Home in Cheyenne Wells, CO direct or in care of Brown Funeral Home, P.O. Box 97, Cheyenne Wells, CO 80810. Visitation and funeral services were entrusted to the Brown Funeral Home in Cheyenne Wells, CO. Visit www.brownsfuneraldirectors.com to sign the guest book or send private condolences to the family of Maudie Cott.

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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.

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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 on March 26, 2007. 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.


Project Graduation
 The parents of the Spearman High School Senior Class of 2007 will sponsor and host a "Project Graduation Party" following commencement exercises Friday, May 25th. Graduates will be provided with food, games, activities, and fun! In addition, to encourage the graduates to stay the entire night, door prizes are awarded throughout the evening. 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 the final "Class of 2007" memory, making this project special, please contact Teresa Maestas, 659-1025, or Lynna Renner, 659-3587. Contributions can be mailed to: Teresa Maestas, PO Box 337, Spearman, TX. 79081. Thank you, in advance, for your support.

Boy Scout Finance Drive
 The Boy Scout Finance Drive began February 13, 2007 in Hansford County. Harry Stumpf is in charge of the finance drive for the Lone Wolf District in Spearman.

Gruver College Fund
 The Gruver Lion's Club is in charge of the Gruver College Fund, which raises money for scholarships for Gruver graduates. The gifts are tax-deductible and no amount is turned away. The committee will try to contact every potential donor by phone, but some will be missed. So don't wait if you would like to make a contribution send your check today to: Gruver Lion's Club, PO Box 566, Gruver, Texas 79040 or see one of the committee members: Benny Wilson, Terry Sherrill, Kermit McKee or Bob Gillispie.

Lunch & Learn
 A demonstration on soft cheese making will be presented by Abby Pipkin, Tuesday, March 6, from 12-1:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall of Spearman Church of Christ. Abby is a novice cheese maker, trained at Homestead Heritage in Waco. The Lunch & Learn is sponsored by Texas Cooperative Extension and Hansford Extension Education clubs. Enjoy the history of cheese making, explore its nutritional value, and sample freshly made cheese. The program is free. Donations for lunch will be accepted. Please call Peggy Winegarner, Hansford County Extension Agent, for more information (659-4131 or 733-2901).

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His band, The Stragglers, is tight both musically and within the ties of friendship, assets earned from miles upon miles together. On the wings of a large fanbase throughout the Southwest, Jason Boland & The Stragglers' third album, The Bourbon Legend, hit shelves Oct. 31.

October 31, 2006 marked two milestones for Jason Boland and the Stragglers. One dates back

eight years to their first performance as a band. The other marked the release of their highly anticipated new record The Bourbon Legend. Two years removed from Jason's previous record, 2004's Somewhere In The Middle, this new chapter in his story is decidedly the best representation of how much he and his band have matured musically.

"This is the record we have always wanted to make," says Boland. "It is the right record at the right time and we really just let it flow."

Boland and the Stragglers' newest contribution to country music arrives at a time when memories of the 'Outlaw' movement have all but faded from the conscience of country music.

With songs like, "No One left To Blame," and "Up And Gone" this talented group of musicians has delivered a timely wake up call to those who have turned a blind eye to the ghosts of music past. The Bourbon Legend stems from a mixture of musical influences culminating in a truly modern (yet sternly vintage) country record. Each song on the record shares a com-

mon bond with its classical counterpart and proves to be a re-generation of the outlaw country of old.

The first single, "No One Left To Blame," carries with it heavy overtones of a music reminiscent of Waylon Jennings and Hank Williams Jr. while providing an edgy musical dose of a new generation's varied influences. The majority of the songs on the record were influenced by acts such as the Marshall Tucker Band, Johnny Paycheck, Merle Haggard, among others. The Bourbon Legend, produced by Grammy Award winner Pete Anderson (Dwight Yoakam, Buck Owens, Lucinda Williams) is his first collaboration with the Stragglers.

Boland hales from Harrah, Oklahoma and carries with him the reputation of being a modern day country music outlaw. Both he and his band have been leaders in

the Texas and Oklahoma music scene for several years generating such hits as, "Mexico Or Crazy," "Somewhere Down In Texas," and "Pearl Snaps." Boland, backed by his band of stellar musicians: Roger Ray (pedal steel, lead/rhythm guitar), Brad Rice (drums/backing vocals), Grant Tracy (bass), and Noah Jeffries (banjo, mandolin, and guitar), have sold over 100,000 records since 1999.

The Bourbon Legend is Boland's first record with Sustain Records, an independent Texas-based record company distributed by Universal Music & Video Distribution.

Jason Boland and the Stragglers will perform on Saturday, March 17, 2007 at Rodco Nights in Perryton.

For more information, please visit www.jayjonesmusic.com or www.thestragglers.com

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Meetings and Minutes

GRUVER ISD BOARD OF TRUSTEES

The regular board meeting of the Board of Trustees, Gruver Independent School District was held Monday, February 19, 2007 at 6:05 p.m. Members present: Lee Bob Harper, Brent Stedje, Paul Stavlo, Jeff Graves, Traci Venneman, Dwayne Thompson and Superintendent, David Teal.

The following Board minutes have not been approved by the Board of Trustees:

Board member Curt Fitzgearld was absent.

Board member Paul Stavlo opened meeting with prayer.

Administrative reports were given by Principal's Debby Mayhew, Kevin Black, and Mike King. Superintendent of Schools, David Teal reported on district happenings.

The Board received the following visitors: Leticia Salazar, Kenny Red, Mike King, Terry Felderhoff, Sharolyn Finley, Kevin Black, Weston Born, Debby Mayhew, and Patty Miner.

Motion by Jeff Graves, second by Brent Stedje to approve the January 18th regular meeting as amended. Administrative reports were given on January 18, 2007 by Debby Mayhew, Elementary Principal and Superintendent, David Teal. Motion carried 6-0.

Motion by Brent Stedje, second by Lee Bob Harper to accept and approve the windows replacement bid from Royal Glass of Amarillo. Motion carried 6-0.

Motion by Traci Venneman, second by Jeff Graves to reject all track replacement proposals. Motion carried 6-0.

The Board of Trustees took no action on phone upgrade bids, no bids were received. Motion denied for lack of a motion.

Motion by Lee Bob Harper, second by Brent Stedje to approve Update 79.

Voting aye: Stedje, Graves, Harper, Stavlo, Thompson; Nay: Venneman.

Motion carried 5-1.

The Board of Trustees took no action on the requests of student transfer. Motion denied for lack of a motion.

The Board reviewed the following discussion items: Enrollment - 380; Regular Board meeting - March 20, 2007 at 7:00 p.m.;

Board training Team of Eight and Roundtable Training discussions; Priority of county barn use; Ag farm repair; Finance Report - Revenue/Expenditure.

The Board of Trustees took a break at 7:40 p.m. and returned at 7:47 p.m.

Executive Session - Gov. Code 551.074

The Board entered into executive session at 7:47 p.m.

Open Session - Gov. Code 551.074

The Board entered into open session at 10:09 p.m.

Motion by Traci Venneman, second by Brent Stedje to approve the revised minutes with additional amendments (correcting the date of the meeting.). Motion carried 6-0.

Motion by Traci Venneman, second by Dwayne Thompson to offer Business Manger, Debby Odom a two year contract for 2007-2009. Motion carried 6-0.

Motion by Paul Stavlo, second by Lee Bob to offer a two year dual contract for 2007-2009 for teacher/coach/athletic director to Terry Felderhoff. Motion carried 6-0.

Motion by Traci Venneman, second by Jeff Graves to offer a two year term administrative contract to Debby Mayhew for 2007-2009. Motion carried 6-0.

Motion by Lee Bob Harper, second by Jeff Graves to offer a two year term Administrative contract for 2007-2009 to Kevin Black. Motion carried 6-0.

Motion by Traci Venneman, second by Paul Stavlo to offer a two year term Administrative contract for 2007-2009 to Mike King. Motion carried 6-0.

Motion by Jeff Graves, second by Traci Venneman, to adjourn at 10:15 p.m. Motion carried 6-0.

SPEARMAN ISD BOARD OF TRUSTEES

The Board of Trustees of the Spearman Independent School District met in a Regular Meeting at 7:00 p.m. on January 15, 2007 in the High School Library.

CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Dwayne Mitchell, President of the Board of Trustees, announced that a quorum was pres-

ent and called the meeting to order.

HEAR FROM PATRONS OR STAFF

No one came before the Board.

ACTION/DISCUSSION ITEM(S)

Approved consent items: 1. Minutes of the Regular Meeting of December 11, 2006; 2. Paying the bills in the amount of \$532,522.62; 3. The gas and diesel bid was awarded to Spearman Equity for the month of February 2007.

Approved Construction Change Requests (CCR 33-38) as presented.

Approved auditor's report by Cornell and Company, P.C. for the year ending August 31, 2006.

Jennifer Stinson provided an instructional presentation on the Voyager Reading Program that is designed to help struggling readers at the Elementary. She currently has 47 students of which eight are English speaking and thirty-nine are ESL.

Approved the resolution correcting the rounding problem on the current tax rate from \$1.3701 to \$1.37.

Approved the resolution to participate in the West Texas Food Service Cooperative for 2007-2008.

Approved purchasing a route bus from the TASB Buy-Board.

Mr. Belger updated the Board on the meeting of the Ag Committee regarding the Ag farm. They then discussed possible land purchases that would be good locations to build an Ag farm.

Authorized the Superintendent and Assistant Superintendent to negotiate the purchase of land for the Ag Committee to look at in considering a location for the Ag farm.

The Board set the date of January 29, 2007 to have a Called Board Meeting to consider action on an addition to the High School building.

Larry Murphy updated the Board on the fence between the school and the Wilkerson property. He has received price quotes on vinyl fencing with the cost to be shared by the school district and the Wilkersons.

During Board Recognition Month, Mr. Sumner recognized Board Members for their service to Spearman ISD. Currently serving are Dwayne Mitchell, Bob Boxwell, Maria Sibley, Stephanie Crossland, Carol Dunning, Will Jarvis and Glen Ray Mackie. Mr. Sumner said collectively that the

board has "51 years" of total service.

INFORMATION ITEM(S)

The student enrollment of Spearman ISD is 741 on January 15, 2007, which is up one student from the December 11, 2006 report.

The Substitute Teacher Report was provided for the period November 15, 2006 through December 13, 2006. The cost for this period was \$6,187.50 with a yearly total of \$26,759.80.

The third six weeks Perfect Attendance Report was provided with 31 employees having perfect attendance. The first semester perfect attendance report was provided showing nine employees having perfect attendance.

Mr. Sumner said that 128 total applications for the Head Football Coach position had been received prior to the cut off date of January 15, 2007. He added that 22 applications were from out of state and represented 15 different states. He said that he and Mr. Belger would start the screening process to narrow down potential candidates for the Head Football Coach position.

CLOSED MEETING - TEXAS OPEN MEETINGS ACT PERSONNEL MATTERS RECONVENE INTO OPEN MEETING

Approved extending Mr. Sumner's contract for one additional year through June 30, 2012.

Approved 30 day extended sick leave for Alexis Beck.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 11:00 p.m.

HEAR FROM PATRONS OR STAFF

No one came before the Board.

PUBLIC HEARING EDUCATIONAL PERFORMANCE REPORT FOR 2005-2006

Mr. Sumner provided a PowerPoint presentation and reviewed the Annual Educational Performance Report for Spearman ISD, Spearman High School, Spearman Junior High School and Gus Birdwell Elementary School. Mr. Sumner noted that copies of the Annual Educational Performance Report are placed at all campus offices and libraries, City Hall and Hansford County Library for viewing by the public. He added that the District scores showed gains from the previous year and that he is pleased with the efforts from the District's staff.

A time was provided for parents and taxpayers to make public comments on the Annual Educational Performance Report for the 2005-2006 school year. Mansel Phillips inquired about following a grade level through from the first year of testing to following years to review their progress. Mr. Sumner told him that at this time TEA does not provide data following a grade level through years of testing.

ACTION/DISCUSSION ITEM(S)

Approved consent items: 1. Minutes of the Regular Meeting of January 15, 2007 and the Called Meeting of January 29, 2007; 2. Paying the bills in the amount of \$1,133,354.71; 3. The gas and diesel bid was awarded to Golden Spread Sales for the month of March 2007.

Ordered the School Board Election for May 12, 2007. Board members up for re-election this year are Bob Boxwell, Stephanie Crossland and Will Jarvis.

Mr. Sumner read the Continuing Education Hours that Board members received from January 1, 2006 through January 31, 2007 as required annually.

Approved Board Resolution to nominate Mr. Sumner for TASB Superintendent of the Year.

Mr. Sumner provided an update on the construction at the Junior High and Elementary campus. The Board set the date of Monday, February 19th at Noon to tour the

construction site.

INFORMATION ITEM(S)

The student enrollment of Spearman ISD is 734 on February 12, 2007, which is down seven students from the January 15, 2007 report. The Substitute Teacher Report was provided for the period from December 14, 2006 through January 18, 2007. The cost for this period was \$6,219.00 with a yearly total of \$32,978.80.

CLOSED MEETING - TEXAS OPEN MEETINGS ACT PERSONNEL MATTERS

Principal's Evaluation(s): Bill Belger, Shane Whiteley and Garry Dodd

Hiring of Football Coach

RECONVENE INTO MEETING

Extended principal's contracts for Garry Dodd, Shane Whiteley and Bill Belger.

Approved hiring of Ritchie Thornton as Head Football Coach and Athletic Director.

The meeting adjourned at 10:45 p.m.

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SPEARMAN ISD BOARD OF TRUSTEES

The Board of Trustees of the Spearman Independent School District met in a Regular Meeting at 7:00 p.m. on February 12, 2007 in the High School Library.

CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Dwayne Mitchell, President of the Board of Trustees, announced that a quorum was present and called the meeting to order.

The Texas Department of Transportation will host two Informational Meetings on March 26 & 27, 2007 concerning the planning of future projects.

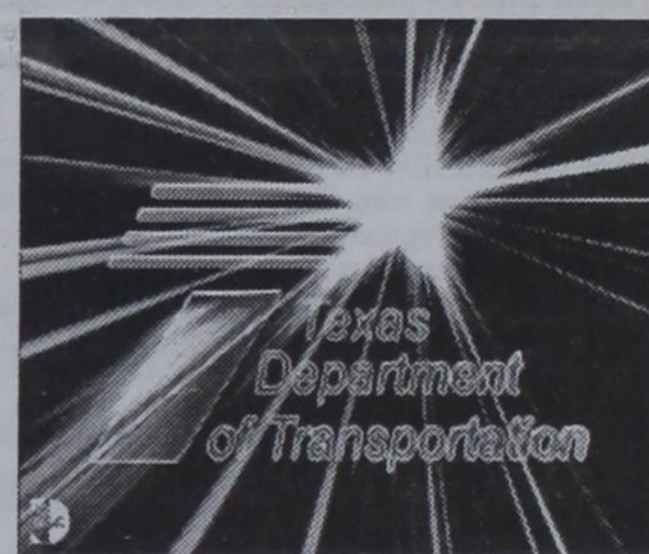
The informational meetings are held to explain how the department plans transportation projects. We would like to receive the public's input regarding the current Transportation Improvement Plan for the district.

On March 26, 2007, (Monday) the meeting will be between 2:00 and 6:00 p.m. at TxDOT's Dumas Area Office. The Office is located at 1249 North Maddox, Dumas, Texas. On March 27, 2007 (Tuesday), the meeting will be between 2:00 and 6:00 p.m. at the Conference Center for TxDOT in Amarillo. The Conference Center is located at 5715 Canyon Drive, Building H.

The come and go meetings will cover transportation plans for all areas of the Panhandle and the city of Amarillo. A short video of current and proposed projects will be shown. The Area Engineers will be available to answer any questions to discuss future and current projects. Draft versions of current transportation plans will be presented at the meeting for public comment.

Written statements and other exhibits may be submitted to the District Office at 5715 Canyon Drive (PO Box 7368) Amarillo TX 79114-7368. Comments must be received no later than April 9, 2007.

All interested citizens are invited to attend this public meeting. Persons interested in attending the meeting whom have special communication or accommodation needs are encouraged to contact Cheryl Luther at 806.356.3249. Requests should be made no later than two days prior to the public meeting. TxDOT will make every reasonable effort to accommodate these needs.



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NOTICE OF APPLICATION AND PRELIMINARY DECISION FOR MUNICIPAL SOLID WASTE PERMIT PROPOSED PERMIT NO. 2352

APPLICATION AND PRELIMINARY DECISION. The City of Spearman at PO box 37, Spearman TX 79081, in Hansford County has applied to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) for a permit to authorize a Type I arid exempt municipal solid waste landfill facility that would be authorized to accept municipal solid waste. The proposed site is a 64.48 acre facility, located approximately 0.6 miles west of Farm to Market Highway 760 and approximately 0.8 miles north of State Highway 207 in Hansford County, Texas. The mailing address is PO Box 37, Spearman TX 79081. This application was submitted to the TCEQ on January 25, 2006.

The TCEQ Executive Director has completed the technical review of the application and prepared a draft permit. The draft permit, if approved, would establish the conditions under which the facility must operate. The Executive Director has made a preliminary decision that this permit, if issued, meets all statutory and regulatory requirements. The permit application, Executive Director's preliminary decision, and draft permit are available for viewing and copying at City Hall, 30 SW Court, Spearman, Texas.

PUBLIC COMMENT/PUBLIC MEETING. You may submit public comments or request a public meeting about this application. The purpose of a public meeting is to provide the opportunity to submit comments or to ask questions about the application. TCEQ holds a public meeting if the Executive Director determines that there is a significant degree of public interest in the application or if requested by a local legislator. A public meeting is not a contested case hearing.

OPPORTUNITY FOR A CONTESTED CASE HEARING. After the deadline for submitting public comments, the Executive Director will consider all timely comments and prepare a response to all relevant and material, or significant public comments. Unless the application is directly referred for a contested case hearing, the response to comments will be mailed to everyone who submitted public comments and to those persons who are on the mailing list for this application. If comments are received, the mailing will also provide instructions for requesting a contested case hearing or reconsideration of the Executive Director's decision. A person who may be affected by the proposed facility is entitled to request a contested case hearing from the commission. A contested case hearing is a legal proceeding similar to a civil trial in a state district court.

ED CASE HEARING, YOU MUST INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING ITEMS IN YOUR REQUEST: your name; address, phone; applicant's name and permit number; the location and distance of your property/activities relative to the facility; a specific description of how you would be adversely affected by the facility in a way not common to the general public; and the statement "[I/we] request a contested case hearing." If the request for contested case hearing is filed on behalf of a group or association, the request must designate the group's representative for receiving future correspondence; identify an individual member of the group who would be adversely affected by the facility or actively; provide the information discussed above regarding the affected member's location and distance from the facility or activity; explain how and why the member would be affected; and explain how the interests the group seeks to protect are relevant to the group's purpose.

Following the close of all applicable comment and request periods, the Executive Director will forward the application and any requests for reconsideration or for a contested case hearing to the TCEQ Commissioners for their consideration at a scheduled Commission meeting.

The Commission will only grant a contested case hearing on disputed issues of fact that are relevant and material to the Commission's decision on the application. Further, the Commission will only grant a hearing on issues that were raised in timely filed comments that were not subsequently withdrawn.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR ACTION. The Executive Director may issue final approval of the application unless a timely contested case hearing request or request for reconsideration is filed. If a timely hearing request or request for reconsideration is filed, the Executive Director will not issue final approval of the permit and will forward the application and request to the TCEQ Commissioners for their consideration at a scheduled Commission meeting.

MAILING LIST. If you submit public comments, a request for a contested case hearing or a reconsideration of the Executive Director's decision, you will be added to the mailing list for this specific application to receive future public notices mailed by the Office of the Chief Clerk. In addition, you may request to be placed on: (1) the permanent mailing list for a specific applicant name and permit number; and/or (2) the mailing list for a specific county. If you wish to be placed on the permanent and/or the county mailing list, clearly specify which list(s) and send your request to TCEQ Office of the Chief Clerk at the address below.

All written public comments and requests must be submitted

to the Office of the Chief Clerk, MC 105, TCEQ, PO Box 13087, Austin TX 78711-3087 within 30 days from the date of newspaper publication of this notice.

AGENCY CONTACTS AND INFORMATION. If you need more information about this permit application or the permitting process, please call TCEQ Office of Public Assistance, Toll Free, at 1-800-687-4040. Si desea informacion en Espanol, puede llamar al 1-800-687-4040. General information about the TCEQ can be found at our web site at www.TCEQ.state.tx.us.

Further information may also be obtained from the City of Spearman at the address stated above or by calling Dr. Dwight Brandt, P.E., of Brandt Engineers at (806) 353-7233.

Issuance Date: January 31, 2007. 1(03-01-07)B

AVISO DE LA SOLICITUD Y DECISION PRELIMINAR PARA PERMISO [O ENMIENDA DEL PERMISO] DE RESIDUOS SOLIDOS MUNICIPALES PERMISO [PROPUESTO] NO. 2352

SOLICITUD Y DECISION PRELIMINAR. The City of Spearman at PO Box 37, Spearman TX 79081, in Hansford County, ha solicitado a la Comision de Calidad Ambiental de Texas (TCEQ) por un Type I arid exempt municipal solid waste landfill facility that would be authorized to accept municipal solid waste. El sitio esta ubicada en 64.48 acre facility, located approximately 0.6 miles west tgo Farm to Market Highway 760 and approximately 0.8 miles north of State Highway 207 in Hansford County, Texas. The mailing address is PO Box 37, Spearman TX 79081. La TCEQ recibio esta solicitud el January 25, 2006.

El Director Ejecutivo de la TCEQ ha completado la revision tecnica de la solicitud y ha preparado un borrador del permiso. El borrador del permiso, si es aprobado, estableceria las condiciones bajo las cuales la instalacion debe operar. El Director Ejecutivo ha tomado una decision preliminar que si este permiso es emitido, cumple con todos los requisitos normativos y legales. La solicitud del permiso, la decision preliminar del Director Ejecutivo y el borrador del permiso estann disponibles para leer y copiar en City Hall, 30 SW Court, Spearman, Texas.

COMENTARIO PUBLICO/REUNION PUBLICA. Usted puede presentar comentarios publicos o pedir una reunion publica sobre esta solicitud. El proposito de una reunion publica es dar la oportunidad de presentar comentarios o hacer preguntas acerca de la solicitud. La TCEQ realiza una reunion publica si el Director Ejecutivo determina que hay un grado de interes publico suficiente en la solicitud, o si un legislador local lo pide. Una reunion publica no es una audiencia administrativa de lo con-

tencioso.

OPORTUNIDAD DE UNA AUDIENCIA ADMINISTRATIVA DE LO CONTENCIOSO. Despues del plazo para presentar comentarios publicos, el Director Ejecutivo considerara todos los comentarios apropiados y prepara una respuesta a todo los comentarios publicos esenciales, pertinentes, o significativos. A menos que la solicitud haya sido referida directamente a una audiencia administrativa de lo contencioso, la respuesta a los comentarios y la decision del Director Ejecutivo sobre la solicitud seran enviados por correo a todos los que presentaron un comentario publico y a las personas que estan en la lista para recibir avisos sobre esta solicitud. Si se reciben comentarios, el aviso tambien proveera instrucciones para pedir una reconsideracion de la decision del Director Ejecutivo y para pedir una audiencia administrativa de lo contencioso. Unan persona que puede ser afectado por esta solicitud puede pedir un audiencia administrativa de lo contencioso. Una audiencia administrativa de lo contencioso es un procedimiento legal similar a un procedimiento legal civil en un tribunal de distrito del estado.

PARA PEDIR UNA AUDIENCIA ADMINISTRATIVA DE LO CONTENCIOSO, USTED DEBE INCLUIR EN SU PEDIDO LOS SIGUIENTES DATOS: su nombre; direccion, telefono; nombre del solicitante y numero del permiso; la ubicacion y la distancia de su propiedad/actividad con respecto a la instalacion; una descripcion especifica de la forma como usted eria afectado adversamente por el sitio de una manera no comun al publico en general; y la declaracion "[Yo/nosotros] solicito/solicito a una audiencia administrativa de lo contencioso." Si presenta por parte de un grupo o asocia-

cion el pedido para una audiencia administrativa de lo contencioso, debe identificar el nombre y la direccion de una persona que representa al grupo para recibir correspondencia en el futuro; debe identificar un miembro del grupo que seria afectado adversamente por la planta o la actividad propuesta; debe proveer la informacion ya indicada anteriormente con respecto a la ubicacion del miembro afectado y la distancia de la planta o actividad propuesta; debe explicar como y porque el miembro seria afectado y como los intereses que el grupo desea proteger son pertinentes al proposito del grupo.

Despues del cierre de los periodos para los pedidos y comentarios, el Director Ejecutivo enviara la solicitud y los pedidos para reconsideracion o por una audiencia administrativa de lo contencioso a los Comisionados de la TCEQ para su consideracion en una reunion programada de la Comision.

La Comision otorgara solamente un audiencia administrativa de lo contencioso sobre los hechos reales disputados del caso que son pertinentes y esenciales para la decision de la Comision sobre la solicitud. Ademias, la Comision solo otorgara una audiencia administrativa de lo contencioso sobre los asuntos que fueron presentados antes del plazo de vencimiento y que no fueron retirados posteriormente.

ACCION DEL DIRECTOR EJECUTIVO. El Director Ejecutivo puede emitir una aprobacion final de la solicitud a menos que exista un pedido antes del plazo de vencimiento de una audiencia administrativa de lo contencioso o se ha presentado un pedido de reconsideracion. Si un pedido ha llegado antes del plazo de vencimiento de la audiencia o el pedido de reconsideracion ha sido presentado, el Director Ejecutivo no emitira una aprobacion final

sobre el permiso y enviara la solicitud y el pedido a los Comisionados de la TCEQ para consideracion en una reunion programada de la Comision.

LISTA DE CORREO. Si somete comentarios publicos, un pedido para una audiencia administrativa de lo contencioso o una reconsideracion de la decision del Director Ejecutivo, la Oficina del Secretario Principal eniara por correo los avisos publicos en relacion con la solicitud. Ademias puede pedir que la TCEQ ponga su nombre en una o mas de las listas de correo siguientes (1) la lista de correo permanente para recibir los avisos del solicitante indicado por nombre y numero del permiso especifico y/o (2) la lista de correo de todas las solicitudes en un condado especifico. Si desea que se agregue su nombre en una de las listas, designe cual(es) lista(s) y envíe por correo su pedido a la Oficina del Secretario Principal de la TCEQ.

Todos los comentarios escritos del publico y los pedidos deben ser presentados durante los 45 dias despues de la publicacion del aviso a la Oficina del Secretario Principal, MC 105, TCEQ, PO Box 13087, Austin TX 78711-3087.

CONTACTOS E INFORMACION DE LA TCEQ. Si necesita mas informacion en Espanol sobre esta solicitud para un permiso o el proceso del permiso, por favor llame a la oficina de Asistencia al Publico de la TCEQ, sin cobro, al 1-800-687-4040. La informacion general sobre la TCEQ puede ser encontrada en nuestro sitio de la web: www.tceq.state.tx.us.

Tambien se puede obtener informacion adicional del City of Spearman en la direccion indicada arriba o llamando a Dwight Brndt, P.E., al (806) 353-7233. Fecha de emision Jan 31, 2007. 1(03-01-07)B

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TFN(1-18-07)B
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EOW(1-18-06)B
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TFN(02-08-07)B
FOR SALE 722 Wilbanks, Spearman: 3BR, 1 3/4B, 1CG, fenced yard, free-standing fire-place, 2 storage buildings. Call 659-2878 or 806-255-0304.
2(02-22-07)P

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TFN(9-28-06)B
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TFN(01-27-05)B
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TFN(7-06-06)B
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TFN(12-07-06)B

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HELP WANTED: Pen rider, feedmill personnel, general maintenance and cattle processors needed. Apply in person at Dean Cluck Feedyard, 105 Dean Cluck Ave., Gruver.
TFN(09-07-06)B
HELP WANTED: Gigot Agra Products, Valley center pivot dealer, is seeking an additional service technician at our Spearman location. Experience desired, but not required. Benefit package is available. Send resume to PO Box 95, Spearman TX 79081 or call (806) 659-3121.
TFN(12-14-06)B
HELP WANTED: First State Bank, Spearman, is taking applications for a full-time building and yard maintenance person. Some mechanical skills preferred, but not required. Applicant should be self-motivated and be in good physical condition. A strong work ethic is a must. Starting pay negotiable with qualifications. A benefit program that includes group hospitalization insurance, retirement, paid vacation and a sick leave program. Apply with Ginger Turner at First State Bank, PO box 247, Spearman TX 79081, telephone (806) 659-5565. An Equal Opportunity Employer.
TFN(1-25-07)B
HELP WANTED: First State Bank, Spearman, has a part-time job opening in the maintenance department. The job involves cleaning duties and washing windows. Working hours would be Monday-Friday from early afternoon (no later than 3:45 p.m. for approximately 2-3 hours, or when job is finished. May need to work some Saturdays. If interested, other maintenance duties could be added for additional working hours. Physical labor and some lifting required. Must be 16 years old or older. Contact Ginger Turner at First State Bank as soon as possible. Telephone: 806-659-5565. An Equal Opportunity Employer.
TFN(2-08-07)B
HELP WANTED: Experienced oil and gas Lease Pumper/Gauger to inspect, monitor and manage the operation of assigned wells to ensure equipment is maintained in operating condition and well is producing. Responsible for checking meters, daily production reports, gauging tanks and overall care and maintenance of the well site and equipment. Experience with plunger lift systems, compressors, diagnosing casing leaks and other malfunctions desired. Requires experience with word processing and Internet/Email. High school diploma and two years oilfield experience is required. Excellent opportunity with stable, growing regional company. Benefits include company provided vehicle, attractive compensation package including profit-sharing bonus, paid healthcare and dental, \$401(k) plan with up to 8% matching contribution, vacation and time off. Please send resumes or

letters of interest to Attn: Human Resources, PO Box 7995, Tyler TX 75711.
TFN(2-8-07)B
HELP WANTED: Experienced Natural Gas Compressor Mechanic to maintain, install, troubleshoot, repair and overhaul compressors and other well site equipment. Responsible for monthly and annual preventative maintenance, emergency repairs on engines, compressors and pumping units. High school diploma or Technical School Degree. Excellent opportunity with stable, growing regional company. Benefits include company provided vehicle and tools, attractive compensation package including profit-sharing bonus, paid healthcare and dental, \$401(k) plan with up to 8% matching contribution, vacation and time off. Please send resumes or letters of interest to Attn: Human Resources, PO Box 7995, Tyler TX 75711.
TFN(2-8-07)B
HELP WANTED: The Nursanickel Motel is seeking a housekeeper. Call 659-3737, or go by 815 Hwy. 207 S. in Spearman.
4(2-15-07)B
HELP WANTED: Panhandle Health Care, Inc. has immediate open positions for PT/PRN and Oncall LVN's and RN's. Potential to become FT. Flexible work schedule and great working environment. Please call 659-3110 or come by 511 SW 11th Ave, Spearman.
4(2-15-07)B
HELP WANTED: The Palo Duro River Authority is taking applications for a full-time maintenance employee. Salary, insurance, retirement, and paid holidays are included. Apply at the office at Lake Palo Duro. Call 806-882-4401 for information.
2(3-1-07)B
HELP WANTED: General mechanic for automotive, irrigation work and tire repair. Tools provided. Apply at Morse Implement and Auto Supply in Morse. Call 06-733-2668. Ask for Tom or Gary. Good pay and working conditions.
TFN(3-1-07)NC
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PUBLIC NOTICE

LEGAL NOTICE
 Hansford County Commissioner's Court will receive sealed bids until 4:00 p.m. on Friday, March 9, 2007 on the sale of a 1990 24' G&H Gooseneck stock trailer. Trailer may be seen at Hansford County Courthouse.
 Bids will be opened on Monday, March 12, 2007 at the regular Commissioners' Court meeting beginning at 10:00 a.m.
 The court reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids.
 Benny Wilson
 Hansford County Judge
3(02-15-07)B

THE STATE OF TEXAS
 TO: THE UNKNOWN HEIRS OF THE ESTATE OF CESAR F. ORTIZ FEBELA, Defendant, Greeting:
 NOTICE TO DEFENDANT: "You have been sued. You may employ an attorney. If you or your attorney do not file an answer with the clerk who issued this citation by 10:00 a.m. on the Monday next following the expiration of forty-two days after the date of issuance of this citation and petition, a default judgment may be taken against you."
 You are commanded to appear by filing a written answer to the Plaintiff's First Amended Original Petition at or before ten o'clock a.m. of the Monday next after the expiration of forty-two days after the

date of service of this citation before the Honorable 84th Judicial Court of Ochiltree County, Texas at the courthouse of said County in Perryton, Texas. This makes the appearance date Monday, April 9, 2007, on or before 10:00 a.m.
 Said Plaintiff's First Amended Original Petition was filed in said court, by Kristi Weaver, whose address is 320 S. Polk, Ste. 400, Amarillo TX 79101 on 02-15-2007, in this case, numbered 11,589 on the docket of said court, and styled, RHONDA GARTON, INDIVIDUALLY AND AS REPRESENTATIVE OF THE ESTATE OF GARY GARTON, SHELLEY GARTON, SHANNON GARTON AND SHEA GARTON, PLAINTIFFS, the nature of which suit is a request to RECOVER DAMAGES.
 The officer executing this writ shall promptly serve the same according to the mandates hereof, and make due return as the law directs.
 Issued and given under my hand and seal of said Court, at office in Perryton, Ochiltree County, Texas, on 02-15-2007.
 Shawn Bogard, District Clerk
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 84th Judicial District Court
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 by: Charlotte S.
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REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL
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CAUSE NO. PO2496
ESTATE OF AUBERY W. RASOR, DECEASED
IN THE COUNTY COURT OF HANSFORD COUNTY, TEXAS
NOTICE TO ALL PERSONS HAVING CLAIMS AGAINST THE ESTATE OF AUBERY W. RASOR, DECEASED
 Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of AUBERY W. RASOR, were issued February 27, 2007, in

Judge's office, 16 Northwest Court, Spearman TX 79081-2052.
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 Benny Wilson
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3(02-15-07)B

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NOTICE
 Palo Duro Supper Club has applied for private club registration permit for location of 22 S. Archer, Spearman, Hansford County, Texas. Officers being: Dave Hand Jr. - President, Kim Vera - Secretary, Ruth Jenkins - Manager.
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Pinewood Derby Held



The cub scout pack 578 held their annual Pine Wood Derby on Saturday, February 24. We had 14 scouts enter the derby. There were boys from Tiger, Wolf and Webelos dens.

Winners in the race were: **1st Place:** Cade Garnett, **2nd Place:** Reid Swan and **3rd Place:** Peyton Garnett.

Judges Sam Abston, Debbie Abston, and Gina Gillispie voted for the following:

Best of Show: Corbin Hughes and Omar Mendoza

Best Use of Decals: Slade Knowlton

Most Creative: Kyler Limbocker

Most Original: Peyton Garnett

Best Paint Job: Alex Valles and Randy Rojas

Most Realistic: Orion Kunselman

Most Interesting Shape: Cayton Limbocker and Cade Garnett

Most Colorful: Reid Swan

Most Sporty: Trey Bridwell

Most Unique: Enrique Vargas

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Also a special thank you to Chad Knowlton, Gary Ellsworth, Raymond Lozano, and John Kunselman, and Dr. Mark Garnett for pit crew duties. And we can't forget all the dads and moms who helped make it a success for our scouts.

by Dorothy Hudson

Out At The Lake



Lake Level--February 26, 2007--21.21 feet (-0.16)

Jim reports some activity at the lake, but the weather hasn't been suitable for much. He is still seeing the four eagles, two of them bald and two of them immature. He is watching for the herons to start working over the nests in the trees out in the Lake, but it must be a little early yet. He said the herons precede the cormorants.

About dusk last week he saw an unusually dark coyote--more of a gray. He was healthy looking. However, visitors are still seeing many coyotes around. Jim is hearing more of the coyotes vocalizing again.

Memoir.

"I raised several wild colts caught from a herd of mustangs and fed them milk from a bottle and as they knew no other mother they always had a great love for me, and I loved them, never had trouble in handling them, always exercised great patience and could always talk and pet them out of the notion of bucking. My mustang Dick ran away with me one day when riding with a party of friends. Tie rope came unfastened and fell just long enough to hit his heels. He was very much afraid of rope.

He gave one jump and was gone, bucking and screaming. The first time I ever heard a horse scream. I had no control over him. After running and bucking he was exhausted and stopped with his legs all spraddled out so I thought it best to jump off for I had no breath left. When down I found my saddle was right on his neck. My hat had long gone and my hair was all wild. My lungs hurt, but I was not near as frightened at the others were. Had my saddle turned and my foot hung, I would not be writing this."

CLATE AND CLARA McCREA

Sally Duchow, the retired librarian from Illinois, has emailed to thank me for the material on the McCreas that I had mailed to her. Two of the items I sent were the memoirs that both Clara and Clate had written that were put in what is called the WPA files at the Panhandle Plains Museum in Canyon. She is now going through the letters and pictures that her grandmother had saved. One of the snapshots that I am quite curious about is one of Clara McCreA horseback. Clate had written on it "my cowboy". Sally thought she would digitize the pictures and send them that way.

Those that knew Clara Cator McCreA usually commented on her outstanding horsemanship. Then they would add that she always rode sidesaddle. Since lately I have been hearing about the people who train a horse by understanding a horse's mind, I was struck by these two paragraphs from Clara's

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