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IN THE NEWS

Nearly 100 bodies found in two days in Baghdad
 Police found the bodies of 32 more death squad victims scattered around Baghdad on Thursday, bringing the two-day total to nearly 100, and a Sunni leader said the slayings could destroy the political process.

Russian police hunt central banker's killers
 Gunmen murdered a Russian central banker who led a fight against money laundering in the highest profile assassination in Moscow during President Vladimir Putin's six years in power.

Saudi says Arab peace plan only solution
 Saudi Arabia said on Thursday that its 2002 Middle East peace plan remained the only framework to end the Arab-Israeli conflict, as the United Nations prepares to discuss the issue.

Poland offers troops for Afghanistan
 Poland announced on Thurs. it would send 1,000 more troops to Afghanistan in the first offer since an urgent NATO appeal for reinforcements, but said they would be on the ground by next Feb.

Senators seek vote soon on China tariff bill
 The U.S. Senate on Thursday moved closer to a vote on a bill threatening China with steep tariffs on its exports to the United States after pair of senators asked for floor time on the legislation.

Iran open to "new conditions" over nuclear standoff
 President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad said on Thursday Iran was open to "new conditions" to resolve its nuclear dispute with Western powers and believed talks could produce agreement.

White House says politics blocking Bolton vote
 The White House on Thurs. complained that politics is holding up a Senate vote on President George W. Bush's attempt to retain John Bolton as the U.S. ambassador to the United Nations.

U.S. anti-missile test halted
 A target missile for which Northrop Grumman Corp. was responsible malfunctioned after launch on Wed., forcing the Pentagon to abort a test of an Army missile defense system.

Oil steadies above \$64
 Oil steadied above \$64 on Thursday as bargain hunters stepped in after a month-long rout and found some support in a renewed U.S. push for immediate sanctions on Iran, the world's fourth biggest crude exporter.

World has 10-year window to act on climate: expert
 A leading U.S. climate researcher said on Wednesday the world has a 10-year window of opportunity to take decisive action on global warming and avert a weather catastrophe.

Old Farmer's Almanac sees harsh U.S. winter
 The Old Farmer's Almanac is embracing new technology -- from Internet podcasts to a 24-hour Web cam -- as the 215-year-old Yankee oracle warns of a harsh North American winter with a chance of snow even in Las Vegas.



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Pringle-Morse CISD Earns State's Highest Fiscal Accountability Rating

Pringle-Morse Consolidated Independent School District officials announced that the district received a rating of "Superior Achievement" under Texas' Schools FIRST financial accountability rating system. The Superior Achievement rating is the state's highest, demonstrating the quality of Pringle-Morse CISD's financial management and reporting system.

The primary goal of Schools FIRST is to achieve quality performance in the management of school district's financial resources, a goal made more significant due to the complexity of accounting associated with Texas' school finance system.

"We are very proud of Pringle-Morse CISD's rating," said Pringle-Morse CISD Superintendent Kent Hargis. "Our district continues to make the most of our taxpayers' dollars. 'Your kids are first with us!' is our motto and our team strives to achieve student success

cost-effectively and efficiently."

Pringle-Morse CISD Trustees will conduct a public hearing in the school's boardroom September 19, 2006 at 7:00 p.m. for public comments regarding the district's FIRST report.

The Schools FIRST accountability rating system assigns one of four financial accountability ratings to Texas school districts, with the highest being "Superior Achievement," followed by "Above-Standard Achievement," "Standard Achievement" and "Substandard Achievement." Districts with serious data quality problems may receive the additional rating of "Suspended - Data Quality." Districts that receive the "Substandard Achievement" or "Suspended - Data Quality" ratings under Schools FIRST must file a corrective action plan with the Texas Education Agency.



Democratic candidate for Attorney General David Van Os (center) stopped at the Hansford County Courthouse on Tuesday, September 12th, and visited with Justice of the Peace Bob Davis and Hansford County Judge Benny Wilson, among others. This was the 179th stop on his Whistle Stop Tour of all 254 counties in Texas before the November election.



We've got spirit, how about you? These Spearman Lynx fans, Slade Garnett, Gina Hargrove and Alec Cenicerros, manned the Spirit Wagon during the Lynx game against Boys Ranch.



Berto Flores (22) heads for the endzone for a Lynx touchdown, with Zack Nollner (33) following close behind. Photo by Tami Hargrove



Miss Hansford County showed her school spirit during the Lynx victory over the Boys Ranch Rough Riders on Friday.



Chandler Miner (15) rushed for 70 yards in Gruver's game against the Wheeler Mustangs on Friday night.

Former Texas Governor Ann Richards Dies

Former Gov. Ann Richards died Wednesday night at her home after a battle with cancer. She was 73.



Richards was diagnosed with esophageal cancer in March and underwent chemotherapy treatments.

Survivors include her children, Cecile Richards, Daniel Richards, Clark Richards and Ellen Richards; their spouses; and eight grandchildren.

Born in Lakeview, Texas, in 1933, Richards grew up near Waco, married civil rights lawyer David Richards and spent her early adulthood volunteering in campaigns and raising four children. She often said the hardest job she ever had was as a public school teacher at Fulmore Junior High School in Austin.

Richards served on the Travis County Commissioners Court in Austin for six years before jumping to a bigger arena in 1982. Her election as state treasurer made her the first woman elected statewide in nearly 50 years.

Richards said she entered politics to help others -- especially women and minorities who were often ignored by Texas' male-dominated establishment.

"I did not want my tombstone to read, 'She kept a really clean house.' I think I'd like them to remember me by saying, 'She opened government to everyone,'" Richards said shortly before leaving office in January 1995.

She was governor for one term, losing her re-election bid to Republican George W. Bush.

Her family said as governor she was most proud of two actions that probably cost her re-election. She vetoed legislation that would allow people to carry concealed handguns, automatic weapons and "cop-killer bullets." She also vetoed a bill that would have allowed the destruction of the environment over the Edwards Aquifer.

She grabbed the national spotlight with her keynote address at the 1988 Democratic National Convention when she was the Texas state treasurer. Richards won cheers from delegates when she reminded them that Ginger Rogers did everything Fred Astaire did, "only backwards and in high heels."

Four years later, she was chairwoman of the Democratic convention that nominated Bill Clinton for president.

Richards rose to the governorship with a come-from-behind victory over millionaire cowboy Clayton Williams in 1990. She cracked a half-century male grip on the governor's mansion and celebrated by holding up a T-shirt that showed the state Capitol and read: "A woman's place is in the dome."

In four years as governor, Richards championed what she called the "New Texas," appointing more women and more minorities to state posts than any of her predecessors.

She appointed the first black University of Texas regent; the first crime victim to join the state Criminal Justice Board; the first disabled person to serve on the human services board; and the first teacher to lead the State Board of Education. Under Richards, the fabled Texas Rangers pinned stars on their first black and female officers.

She polished Texas' image, courted movie producers, championed the North American Free Trade Agreement, oversaw an expansion of the state prison system, and presided over rising student achievement scores and plunging dropout rates.

Throughout her years in office, her personal popularity remained high. One poll put it at more than 60 percent the year she lost to Bush.

"I may have lost the race," Richards said after the defeat. "But I don't think I lost the good feelings that people have about me in this state. That's tremendously reassuring to me."

Richards went on to give speeches, work as a commentator for CNN and serve as a senior adviser in the New York office of Public Strategies Inc., an Austin-based consulting firm.

In her last 10 years, Richards worked for many social causes and helped develop the Ann Richards School for Young Women Leaders, scheduled to open in Austin in 2007.

Public life forced her to be candid about her 1980 treatment for alcoholism.

"I had seen the very bottom of life," she once recalled. "I was so afraid I wouldn't be funny anymore. I just knew that I would lose my zaniness and my sense of humor. But I didn't. Recovery turned out to be a wonderful thing."

Gov. Perry Orders Flags at Half-Staff In Memory of Ann Richards

Gov. Rick Perry today ordered flags to be flown at half-staff at state buildings in memory of former Governor Ann Richards.

"Ann Richards was the epitome of Texas politics: a figure larger than life who had a gift for captivating the public with her great wit," Perry said. "She was an endearing and enduring figure in Texas politics. She paved the way as a leader and a role model for women who aspire to the highest levels of leadership. Anita and I are saddened by a loss that will be felt by many. Ann Richards left Texas a better place."

The governor's directive applies to all United States and Texas flags under state control in the State of Texas. Flags shall be flown at half-staff for five days as a sign of respect from sunrise on Thursday, Sept. 14, 2006, until sunset on Monday, Sept. 18, 2006, and again on the day of her interment once it has been determined, in honor of this highly regarded and admired state leader.

Individuals, businesses, municipalities, counties, and other political subdivisions are encouraged to fly the flag at half-staff for the same length of time as a sign of respect.

Local senior, Booker man die in Ochiltree County collision

Two men died Saturday afternoon after their vehicles smashed into each other near Farnsworth in Ochiltree County.

According to the Texas Department of Public Safety, Cesar Ortiz-Fabela, 18, of Spearman and Gary Lynn Garton, 57, of Booker, died in the wreck about 3 miles south of Farnsworth, which is southwest of Perryton.

Both men died at the scene, the DPS said. Ortiz-Fabela was driving a 1982 Chevrolet pickup southbound on Farm-to-Market Road 3045 about 1:10 p.m. Saturday and failed to stop at a stop sign, the DPS said.

A northbound 1998 Mack truck, driven by Garton, then struck the pickup on the driver's side. Neither man was wearing a seat belt, the DPS said.

LOCAL WEATHER FORECAST

FRIDAY - Partly cloudy. Breezy. Highs in the upper 80s. South winds 15 to 25 mph.
 FRIDAY NIGHT - Partly cloudy with a 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Lows in the mid 60s. South winds around 20 mph.
 SATURDAY - Mostly sunny in the morning then becoming partly cloudy. Highs in the mid 80s. Southwest winds 15 to 20 mph.
 SATURDAY NIGHT - Partly cloudy with a 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Lows in the mid 50s.
 SUNDAY - Partly cloudy. Highs in the mid 70s.
 SUNDAY NIGHT - Partly cloudy. Lows in the upper 40s.
 MONDAY - Partly cloudy. Highs in the lower 70s.
 MONDAY NIGHT - Partly cloudy. Lows in the lower 50s.
 TUESDAY - Partly cloudy. Highs in the upper 70s.
 TUESDAY NIGHT - Partly cloudy in the evening then clearing. Lows in the mid 50s.
 WEDNESDAY - Mostly sunny. Highs around 80.

Live,
Laugh &
Love



by Catherine R. Smith
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My dear friend Tommy Russell sent me the following, entitled "Old age is a gift." I would like to share it with you.

Old age is a gift

I am now, probably for the first time in my life, the person I have always wanted to be.

Oh, not my body!

I sometimes despair over my body... the wrinkles, the baggy eyes, and the sagging butt.

And often I am taken aback by that old person that lives in my mirror, but I don't agonize over those things for long.

I would never trade my amazing friends, my wonderful life, my loving family for less gray hair or a flatter belly.

As I've aged, I've become more kind to myself, and less critical of myself. I've become my own friend. I don't chide myself for eating that extra cookie, or for not making my bed, or for buying that silly cement gecko that I didn't need, but looks so avant-garde on my patio. I am entitled to overeat, to be messy, to be extravagant.

I have seen too many dear friends leave this world too soon; before they understood the great freedom that comes with aging.

Whose business is it if I choose to read or play on the computer until 4 a.m., and sleep until noon?

I will dance with myself to those wonderful tunes of the 60's, and if I, at the same time, wish to weep over a lost love, I will.

I will walk the beach in a swim suit that is stretched over a bulging body, and will dive into the waves with abandon if I choose to, despite the pitying glances from the bikini set. They, too, will get old.

I know I am sometimes forgetful. But there again, some of life is just as well forgotten and I eventually remember the important things.

Sure, over the years, my heart has been broken. How can your heart not break when you lose a loved one, or when a child suffers, or even when a beloved pet gets hit by a car? But broken hearts are what give us strength and understanding and compassion.

A heart never broken is pristine and sterile and will never know the joy of being imperfect.

I am so blessed to have lived long enough to have my hair turn gray, and to have my youthful laughs be forever etched into deep grooves on my face.

So many have never laughed, and so many have died before their hair could turn silver.

I can say "no", and mean it.

I can say "yes", and mean it.

As you get older, it is easier to be positive. You care less about what other people think. I don't question myself anymore. I've even earned the right to be wrong.

So, to answer your question, I like being old. It has set me free. I like the person I have become.

I am not going to live forever, but while I am still here, I will not waste time lamenting what could have been, or worrying about what will be.

And I shall eat dessert every single day.

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

Numbers 6:24-26

Catherine :)

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ACROSS	DOWN
1. Wildebeests	1. Lump
5. Cathode-ray tube	2. A more luminous star than others
8. Icy precipitation	3. Substance abuser
12. Popular TV island-adventure drama	4. An F3 tornado, adj.
13. Native of Thailand	5. Inflatable rescue device
14. Healthy reddish color	6. Furies
15. 2006 animated movie "_____ the Hedge"	7. Level
16. A tidal wave compared to a normal wave, adj.	8. Florida's is typically much higher than Arizona's
17. French novelist Zola	9. Horizontal passage from the surface to a mine
18. It measures atmospheric pressure	10. Lazily
20. Feeling of compassion	11. Solution of sodium hydroxide
21. 3 p.m. Roman Catholic Church service, pl.	13. From there
22. John Kennedy's brother	14. Drive back
23. Opposite of comic	19. Silk-patterned fabric
26. Rich in silica	22. Not a win nor a loss
30. Read-only storage	23. Race course
31. Overnight flight	24. Winnie the Pooh's friend Christopher
34. Scarlett O'Hara's plantation	25. The radical -NH2
35. It's how good citizens act toward the law	26. Make synchronous
37. Fled	27. Birthday treats
38. Type of fishing net, pl.	28. Singer Cara
39. Denotes motion, pref.	29. Checked out before robbery
40. Lacking social polish	32. Popular attraction
42. Between E and NE	33. Water in French
43. Knowledge and skill	36. The moment when condensation begins
45. Wiped out	38. One quadrillionth of a meter
47. Bachelor's dwelling	40. Deity
48. Quantity of paper, pl.	41. "_____ and home"
50. Thailand's eastern neighbor	44. Has not
52. Katrina, e.g.	46. Antonym of descent
56. Plant hormone, promotes bud growth	48. Boxer "Hurricane" Carter
57. Aid and _____ a crime	49. Upright in position
58. Distinctive elegance	50. Fishing decoy
59. Often described by a meteorologist as warm or cool	51. Nerve fiber that conducts away from neuron
60. Plentiful	52. Male red deer
61. Not happening	53. Medicinal house plant
62. Pitch a _____	54. Kamarupan languages
63. Trinitrotoluene	55. Organic compound containing hydroxyl group bonded to carbon atom
64. Bluish green	56. At the stern

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FOR YOUR INFORMATION

Free GED Classes
FREE CLASSES! For adults who want to prepare for the GED test (High School Equivalency). Classes will be every Tuesday night through May. GED classes will be held in the video conference room at Spearman High School, 6:30 - 9:00pm. For more information you can contact Cindy Blackman 659-3233, ext.1005 or Claudine Hardy 659-2563, ext.3001.

Spearman Booster Club
Spearman Booster Club meets Tuesday nights at 7 p.m. in the High School library. Everyone is invited to attend the meeting. This week's game will be in Texhoma on Saturday at 2:30 p.m. The next home game is Homecoming, on September 29th against Childress.

Spearman Lynx & Lynxette Booster Club have sports sponsorship packages available for 2006-2007. If you are interested in year sponsor, super booster, booster, signature ads or cable listing please contact Lynna Renner at 659-3587 or Tammy Benton 659-3071. These ads are used for broadcasting and cable listings. Individuals are welcome to have signature ads not just for businesses!

4-H Smoked Meat Sale
4-H members across Hansford County (Spearman, Gruver & Morse) are selling smoked meats for their annual fund raising efforts. Products available include smoked & spiral hams, turkey, peppered turkey breasts, smoked or peppered bacon, beef or chicken fajitas, chicken tenders, tamales, pork patties, breakfast burritos, Sausage, pecan pie, Hunters Package (sweet jalapeno flavored ham, peppered pork loin, smoked bacon & jalapeno summer sausage) and sausage links. Funds benefit the awards program and recognition banquet for all 4-H members. Orders must be received by October 17th, with a delivery date before Thanksgiving. Please contact a 4-H member or call the County Extension Office 659-4130 or 733-2901 to place your order. If email would be easier hansford@ag.tamu.edu.

4-H Fun with Foods Project
Youth in 3rd grade and older may sign up now for the 4-H "Fun with Foods" project. Project meetings in Spearman will be after school on Thursdays, September 21, 28, and October 12, at the Fellowship Hall of the Spearman Church of Christ. Project meetings in Gruver will be held after school on Mondays, September 25, October 9, and 16, at the Fellowship Hall of the Gruver Methodist Church. Extension programs are open to all regardless of socioeconomic level, race, color, sex, religion, disability, or national origin. Please call Peggy Winegamer at 659-4131 or 733-2901 to enroll.

Benefit Roping
A Children with Special Needs Benefit Roping, sponsored by Perryton Elks Lodge Sweetheart Brenda Frantz, will be held on Saturday, September 16, 2006 at the Expo Center Fair Grounds Arena (Hwy. 15 & Jefferson) in Perryton. Buckles will be awarded to the average winners of each roping. Stock will be provided by Beaver River Stockyard in Beaver, OK. #12 Roping (according to new U.S. numbers) - Books open at 12 noon, with roping beginning at 1 p.m. Books will close after the 20th team. 4 steers for \$40. #8 Roping (according to new U.S. numbers) - Begins 30 minutes after conclusion of #12 Roping. Books will close after the 20th team. 4 steers for \$40. For more information, call Rocky Frantz at 806-435-8552, or Layne Konkkel at 580-625-3051.

Parenting Skills Class
The STAR-UCAP (Services-To-At-Risk) program is offering a parenting skills class that will be held from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on September 23rd at the YMCA (1400 Maddox) in Dumas. The curriculum is "Back in Control." CEUs will be offered for child care workers, LPCs, and general population. There is no charge for the class. Anyone interested may register by calling 349-5684. Childcare will not be offered.

Golf Cash Ball
Hansford Golf Club is making plans for its annual Golf Cash Ball. This year's event will be held Saturday, November 4, at the O'Loughlin Center. The Vera Brothers Band will be the entertainment once again this year. Tickets which will be \$50.00 each will go on sale the first week of October and be available from any golf club board member. Each ticket will provide not only an evening of great food and entertainment, but also a chance at the cash prize drawings. If you have any questions or would like to buy a ticket, please call Lance Kemp, 659-5062, Curtis Covington, 659-5185, Cass Lasater, 659-5007 or Mikal Willimon, 659-5525.

Jamaica Sunday
The Sacred Heart Catholic Church is hosting a Jamaica Sunday for the entire family on Sunday, September 17, 2006 from 11:30 a.m.-7 p.m. at the Swimming Pool Park (216 East 7th) in Spearman. Raffle tickets are \$3 each, for one of the following prizes: 1st - Freezer with \$250 meat package; 2nd - \$200 gas card; 3rd - \$50 gift card. Games and events include bingo, dunking booth, fajitas, volleyball, nachos, funnel cakes, tacos, fun games, sweet corn, cake walk, ice cold drinks, gorditas and live music by Ritmo Loco and Aguacero del Norte.

Race for the Cure
The Amarillo office of A.G. Edwards, in conjunction with the Greater Amarillo Affiliate of the Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation, proudly announces the exhibit of - Investing in Amarillo: Honoring the Legacy and Contributions of the Komen Race for the Cure® featuring prints and memorabilia from the collection of the Komen Foundation. The Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation is an international organization with a network of more than 75,000 volunteers working to eradicate breast cancer as a life-threatening disease. The foundation raises significant funds and awareness for the cause through its local affiliates and through events such as the Race for the Cure, which will be held Sept. 30 in Amarillo. The exhibit will be open at the A.G. Edwards Amarillo Office, 801 S. Fillmore, Suite 170, Monday-Friday, 8 a.m.-5 p.m. through October 30th. Everyone is invited to celebrate the legacy, accomplishments and contributions of the Komen Foundation. For more details, call the A.G. Edwards Amarillo office at (806) 372-5751 or (800) 395-5751.

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Genetics Lunch 'N Learn

Genetics determine individual physical traits that make each person unique. Genetics also play a role in a woman's risk of developing certain cancers. A free Genetics Lunch 'n Learn with April Rogers will take place at The Don & Sybil Harrington Cancer Center, from noon to 1 p.m. on Friday, September 22, 2006, in the Harrington Cancer Center Amphitheater, 1500 Wallace Blvd. The program is free to the public and lunch will also be provided at no charge upon RSVP. RSVP must be received by 4 p.m. on

Wednesday, September 20, 2006 by calling 806-351-1755. April Rogers, MSN, APRN, BC, OCN, FNP, will present information on genetic screening and counseling programs. April is certified to provide women's cancer screening and genetic analysis at Harrington Cancer Center. While most cancer occurs by chance, April helps women determine their risk for certain cancers through genetic testing. She offers a personalized risk assessment and appropriate medical management to help reduce cancer risk.

According to the American Cancer Society, more than 80,000 American women are diagnosed with cancers affecting the reproductive organs each year. Screening and self-examinations are extremely important for the detection of certain types of gynecological cancers in the early stages, when treatment is more likely to be successful and a cure a possibility. The Genetics Lunch 'n Learn is presented in coordination with Gynecological Cancer Awareness Month (September) and Breast

Cancer Awareness Month (October)—both cancers are equally important to women in our community. Women in our community must be educated about Gynecological and Breast cancers in order to detect them earlier and prevent unnecessary deaths. For more information on this release, contact Kalley Sadler, Interim Coordinator Cancer Education/Business Development, at 806-236-7899.

The Pipeline Group Public Education Contractor Awareness Program

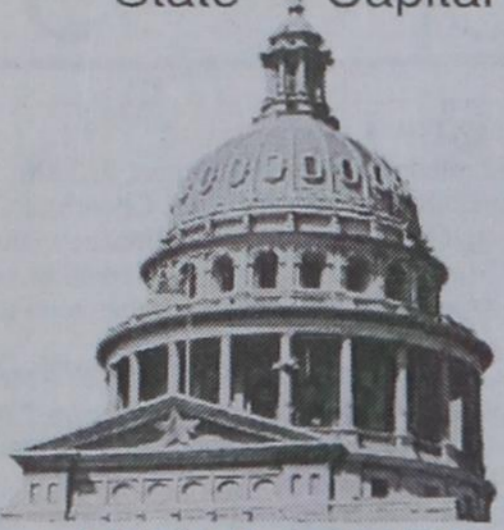
The Pipeline Group's annual "Public Education - Contractor Awareness Program" will be held at 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, October 5, 2006, at the Texas County Fairgrounds Activity Center Exhibit Hall, 5th & Sunset Lane, in Guymon, Oklahoma. The program will be sponsored by a group of companies with a common goal of preventing accidents and damages to underground pipelines and utilities. A free dinner will be catered by Kim's Ribs for all persons involved in excavation related activities in Beaver, Cimarron, and Texas counties in Oklahoma; Hansford, Ochiltree, and Lipscomb counties in Texas. Following the dinner, a brief safety program will be presented which stresses the importance of accident prevention by identifying pipeline and utility rights of way, use of one-call systems, and the importance of working with pipeline and utility com-

panies to safely excavate in the vicinity of underground facilities. Sponsors will provide promotional materials; including notification information for their companies, safety related brochures and other safety reminders. Each year many lives are injured or lost, plus millions of dollars in repairs and lost products are incurred due to "third party" incidents - someone digging into a pipeline. Thousands of communications, some life-threatening, may be disrupted when expensive fiber-optic cables are damaged or severed. These types of excavation can be financially devastating to the responsible party. This safety program is an attempt to help those who do excavation work to avoid such situations. Sponsors for the program include: BP America Production Co - Chevron USA-Four Star Oil & Gas Co - El Paso Pipeline

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By Ed Sterling




FORMER TEXAS FIRST LADY CONNALLY DIES AT 87

Former Texas first lady Idanell "Nellie" Brill Connally, 87, died Sept. 1 at her residence in Austin. Gov. Rick Perry ordered that flags be flown at half-staff Sept. 6, from sunrise to sunset, in honor of Mrs. Connally. She was the wife of the late Gov. John B. Connally. Burial was in the State Cemetery Sept. 6. News of Mrs. Connally's death made headlines and newscasts the world over. As first lady of Texas, she rode in the limousine with her husband and President and Mrs. John F. Kennedy when assassin's bullets rang out on Nov. 22, 1963, in Dallas. She was preceded in death by Gov. Connally in 1993. Report details state economy. The Austin think-tank, Center for Public Policy Priorities, issued its annual report, "The State of Working Texas 2006." The eight-page report, released Sept. 6, shows how Texans are faring economically, based on wages they earn and other measures. On the bright side, Texas' unemployment rate continues to decline and the Lone Star State is adding jobs at a faster rate than the U.S. as a whole, the report said. But nearly five years since the 2001-02 recession, the economy has not rebounded with advances in household income or real wages. Texas has shown a 6.2 percent decline in real median (inflation-adjusted) household income since 2002. Nearly all demographic groups have experienced this decline, but younger workers and African-Americans were hardest hit, the report said. Education and health services is the fastest-growing sector of the workforce, having increased 15.3 percent since 2000. McAllen-Edinburg-Mission was the area of the state with the highest unemployment rate at 7.8 percent, but McAllen-Edinburg-Mission also had the highest job growth over the last year, with a 6.5 percent increase. A chart in the report showed the importance of education. The more educated a Texas resident is, the less likely he or she is to be unemployed. In yet another measure, Texas had a median hourly wage of \$12.50, far below the national average of \$14.28. But, Texas came in a few cents better than its neighbors, Oklahoma and Arkansas. The complete report can be found online at www.cppp.org. Candidates say what they'll do. Comptroller Carole Keeton Strayhorn and Gov. Perry rolled out their gubernatorial campaign commercials on television. Strayhorn portrays herself as the candidate who will shake up the good old boys network in Austin and Perry promotes himself as the candidate who will keep Texas borders safe. Kinky Friedman, though not through paid TV commercials, said he would do more than Perry when it comes to border security. He said Texas has its own army, the Texas National Guard, and he would order 10,000 troops to the border right away. Friedman also said he would slap companies that hire undocumented workers with heavy fines and require documented workers to carry a special identification card. Statewide voter program debuts. Texas Secretary of State Roger Williams and University of Texas baseball coach Augie Garrido kicked off a state voter education project dubbed "VOTEXAS" Sept. 5 in Austin. The program encourages voters to find out when they will vote, where they will vote and how to use the new equipment in their precincts. A mobile exhibit will make its way around the state, demonstrating the five different types of electronic voting machines used in Texas. People who visit the exhibit will have a chance to cast a practice ballot. The program complies with the federal Help America Vote Act, which requires states to do the following:

- create a centralized statewide voter registration list;
- improve vote casting and counting systems;
- make more polls accessible for disabled and visually impaired voters;
- provide assistance to "non-English language dominant voters";
- train election officials, workers and volunteers; and
- implement voter education programs.


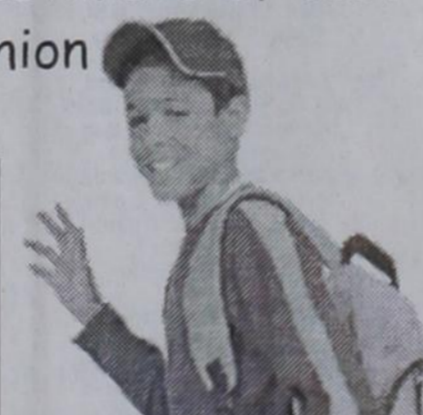
It's A Boy!
Luis & Maria Carbajal wish to announce the birth of their son, John Paul. He was born on August 23, 2006 at 8:25 a.m. in Borger, Texas. He weighed 6 pounds, 8 ounces and was 19 inches long. He was welcomed home by his five-year-old brother, Nicholas. Proud grandparents are Martin & Jovita Ochoa, Rosalia Hernandez Carbajal and the late Natividad Carbajal. There are also many proud aunts, uncles and cousins.



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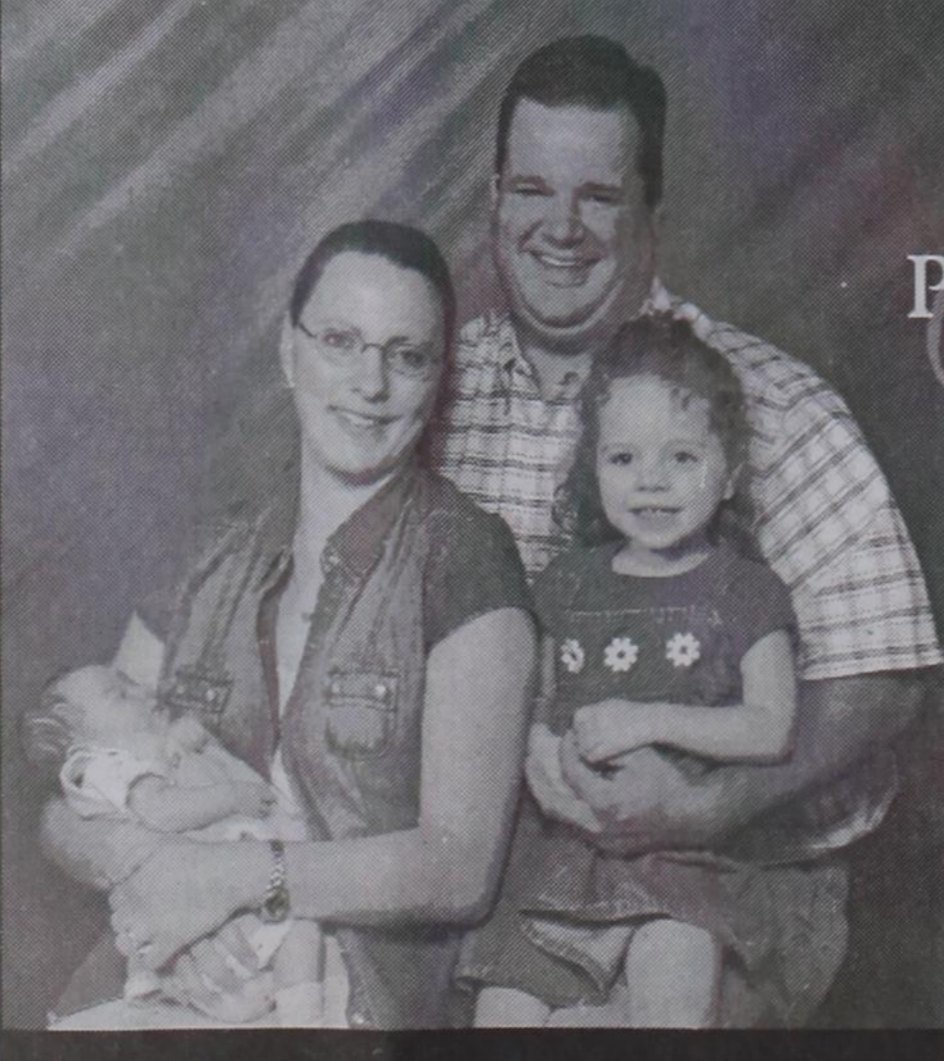
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Spearman Lynx

Spearman 57, Boys Ranch 0

Spearman scored 35 points in the first half on the way to a 57-0 blowout win over Boys Ranch Friday night. Berto Flores rushed for 148 yards and a touchdown for the Lynx which rushed for 248 yards as a team. Zack Nollner had 57 yards rushing on six carries for Spearman.

Boys Ranch was led by Anthony Varnado, who had 14 rushes for 83 yards.

S-Berto Flores 72 run (Garnett kick)
 S-Blayne Baker 2 pass from Gillaspie (Garnett kick)
 S-Baker 21 pass from Gillaspie (Garnett kick)
 S-Garnett 48 punt return (Garnett kick)
 S-Kegan Garnett 35 run (Baker from Gillaspie)
 S-Aaron Maestas 20 run (Garnett kick)

STATISTICS	BR	SL
First Downs	6	13
Rushing Yards	68	299
Passing Yards	73	69
Total Yards	141	368
Comp-Att-INT	4-15-2	7-10-0
Punts-Avg.	5-26	2-26.5
Fumbles-Lost	6-2	1-0
Penalties-Yards	8-80	6-45

SCORE BY QUARTERS	1	2	3	4	Final
Boys Ranch	0	0	0	0	0
Spearman	21	14	7	15	57

SCORING
 S-Collin Gillaspie 12 pass to Bryn'r Garnett (B. Garnett kick)
 S-Garnett 10 pass from Gillaspie (Garnett kick)



Spearman Lynx Cheerleaders were on hand to help hand out roses to parents as the Lynx honored their parents at Parents' Night. The cheerleaders are: (from left to right) Front row: Amy Brown, Christy Lang, Callie Cazares, Clara Kern. Back row: Bond Pittman, Kyla Reed, Destiny Fisher, Preslee Baker.

Photo by Bonnie Bergan

Gruver Greyhounds

Wheeler 12, Gruver 6 (OT)

At Gruver, James Rivera broke a handful of tackles en route to a 26-yard scoring run in the second overtime for Wheeler.

The Greyhounds scored on their first possession of the game when Chandler Miner ran in from 2 yards out to cap a lengthy drive, but they failed on numerous opportunities thereafter.

The Mustangs tied the game just before halftime on a 6-yard run by Steven McAlpine.

After the Mustangs scored in the second overtime, Gruver had one last chance. The Greyhounds reached Wheeler's 4 and had a first-and-goal, but two penalties, a sack and a fourth-down incompletion spelled defeat.

Gruver suffered three interceptions and lost one of three fumbles, while the Mustangs had one pass picked off and lost four fumbles.

"We were extremely proud of the boys' effort again this week against Wheeler," said Coach Terry Felderhoff. "We squandered 3 scoring opportunities in the first half and 2 in the second half to allow this game to go into overtime."

"In overtime we again were 1st and goal from the four and failed to capitalize," continued Coach Felderhoff. "In each of these

opportunities we either lost the ball on a turnover, or made mental mistakes and had penalties that forced us to move in the wrong direction. We did play much, much better defense this week, made great strides on offense and special teams. We must continue to get better each week and eliminate turnovers and mistakes."

This week Gruver hosts a good Panhandle team. "They will test our secondary with their passing game," stated Coach Felderhoff.

SCORE BY QUARTERS	1	2	3	4	OT	Final
Gruver	6	0	0	0	0	6
Wheeler	0	6	0	0	6	12

SCORING
 G-Chandler Miner 2 run (kick failed).
 W-Steven McAlpine 6 run (kick failed).
 W-James Rivera 26 run (kick blocked).

STATISTICS	GG	TRD
First Downs	10	13
Rushing	156	157
Passing	0	53
Total Yards	156	210
C-A-I	0-5-1	6-17-3
Punts	5-40	4-30
Fumbles-Lost	4-4	2-1
Penalties	6-35	6-50

Golf Carts on Public Streets



by Gary Ellsworth, Municipal Judge for the City of Spearman
 Imagine driving down the highway and passing a golf cart. I'm not talking about a slow moving vehicle on the shoulder, I'm talking about a golf cart that's been 'juiced up' to travel 30 or 40 miles per hour (or faster). That's what is happening south in some of Texas' larger cities. Rising fuel prices and the cost of auto insurance have given birth to some 'creative ways' to save gas money and avoid purchasing insurance, tags, and inspection stickers without having to resort to riding a bicycle to work.

As a result, elected officials and law enforcement made a beeline to the 2003 Texas Legislature to 'get these things off our highways and freeways'. Yes, these 'souped up' machines were even seen on the freeways in the Houston area. So, out of the 78th Legislature came Transportation Code Section 502.0071 - Golf Carts. This statute regulates the registration (license plates/tags) of Golf Carts. Registration is not required if: (1) operation occurs in the daytime AND (emphasis added) (2) the operation (A) does not exceed a distance of two miles from the point of origin to the destination if driven to and from a golf course; (B) occurs entirely within a master planned community with a uniform set of restrictive covenants that has had a plat approved by a county or municipality; or (C) occurs on a public or private beach.

An inspection sticker is only required if the cart is registered (tagged) and financial responsibility (insurance) is not required for golf carts that are not registered.

Spearman is not a master planned community and the Hansford Golf Course is more than 2 miles from town. In other words, if you want to drive your golf cart around town to save gas or just enjoy the breeze in your face, the law requires you to get it registered with the Hansford County Tax Assessor. Otherwise, your friendly neighborhood police officer may pull you over and make you the recipient of a citation for Failure to Register a Motor Vehicle.



The Gruver High School Cheerleaders for 2006-2007 are: (Front, L-R) Abbi Yank, Lindsey Mireles and Lynn Vela; (Middle, L-R) Eva McCloy and Kallee Reed; (Back) Devlin Reynolds.

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As part of BP's gas safety program, BP will be implementing a gas odorization program for domestic gas transported b homeowner gas lines from BP operated wells. Mercaptan, an odorant, will be injected into the gas line near the BOP operated well-heads. This odorant will enable homeowners and surrounding neighbors to identify any gas leaks on those gas lines. Those domestic gas lines are located in the area of Hansford County. Homeowners that are currently taking gas from BP wells will receive a separate letter advising of the details of this odorization program.

BP is working to educate the public about pipeline safety with respect to gas leaks. While it's very rare to have any type of incident with a pipeline, there are a few safety tips to keep in mind if you live by a pipeline.

1. How to know if there is a pipeline on your property or nearby:

On Your Property: If you own a homeowner gas line fro BP gas well, you should hire a qualified plumbing inspector to locate the line for you if you are contemplating any digging operations.

Neighborhood: Check for pipeline markers posted in your neighborhood.

Please keep in mind the marker may not show the exact location of the underground pipeline.

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2. Recognizing a leak:

By Sight: A pool of liquid on the ground near a pipeline, a dense white cloud or fog over a pipeline, or discolored or dead vegetation surrounding the pipeline may be signs of a leak.

By Sound: An unusual noise coming from the pipeline, like a hissing or roaring sound, may be a sign of a leak.

By Smell: An unusual smell may accompany a leak. *You may contact Kim Black at (806) 371-4499 to receive a free BP pipeline safety brochure with a scratch-n-sniff mercaptan area that will give you an indication of the odorant smell.*

3. What to do if you suspect a leak:

Leave the leak area immediately. Do not light a match, start an engine, use a telephone, switch on/off light switches or do anything that may cause a spark in the vicinity of the leak.

From a safe location immediately call 911 and the BP Hotline number (806) 948-5167 and report exactly what you have seen, heard or smelled and where this incident took place. Warn others but do so without entering or re-entering the area where a pipeline leak is suspected. Do not drive any vehicle into a leak or vapor cloud area.

In case of an emergency call: BP Hotline (806) 948-5167.

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Hansford Manor hosts 7 Star Horse Therapy Visit



Lady was one of the miniature horses that visited Hansford Manor on Tuesday, September 12th.

by Merry Sparks

Hansford Manor had the pleasure of entertaining two miniature horses from Canyon, Texas the afternoon of Sept. 12th. Lesley and Dovie Barrett of Canyon brought Wendy and Lady to visit the Residents of the Manor. They visited with each and every Resident in the living room. We had many visitors and Residents in the day room.

Wendy led the way into the room. She is a very small miniature with paint horse markings. She

went right up to each person and allowed them to oohhhh and oohhh and pet them all that they wanted. Lady is a chestnut, slightly larger horse but both were very small. They loved the attention that they were receiving and seemed to be looking for something special.

I asked Dovie if we were allowed to feed them. She told me that they loved carrots so Ernestina Salgado made a dash to the kitchen and came back with a container full of carrots. Jerri Lane had already been assigned to be the leader of

the horses since she has much animal savvy. Children and Residents alike were feeding the horses carrots until we were afraid that they were going to turn orange.

After they had spent quite a bit of time with the Residents in the living room, Lesley and Dovie led the horses down each hallway to visit the Residents that were still in their rooms. The Residents were thoroughly delighted with the visit from the horses and were grinning from ear to ear.

The owners of the horses also

have larger horses that are used for therapy with disabled children and adults. They operate on a donation basis. If anyone is interested in contacting them you may reach them via internet at www.7starhorsetherapy.org. Donations may be sent to 7 Star Horse Therapy at 1919 Greg St., Canyon, Tx. 79015.

It was such an interesting afternoon and a delight watching the young and old alike enjoying the horses.

Extension Program Helps Prepare Special-Needs Students for Life After High School

An education is more than just 'reading, writing and arithmetic,' said Texas Cooperative Extension experts.

An education should help students prepare for life after school, a preparation which might include career and technology courses that focus on developing job-related skills, said Dr. Lakshmi Mahadevan.

As Extension program coordinator for the Career Technology Special Populations Training and Resource Education Center, Mahadevan helps provide information to those who are preparing special needs students for "life after high school," she said.

"Any student can opt to go into career and technology," said Dr. Rick Peterson, Extension parenting specialist and project director. "It so happens that special educators and parents see career and technology as the path for students with special needs to achieve their goals."

The program, funded through the Texas Education Agency, is designed to assist career and technology teachers - formerly known as vocational teachers - who are working with students with special needs, primarily in high school, he said.

"The center's focus is on enhancing career and technology teachers' knowledge and skills as they prepare special populations students for their future careers," Peterson said.

"However, the information available at the center is (also) useful for parents and other educators, including Extension educators," he added.

Students who are not college-bound can benefit from career and technology classes, he said, and the secondary schools can use this program to help them with career training "so they can be successful in adult life."

The program has its roots in a training and resource center founded at Texas A&M University's department of educational psychology in 1977 by Dr. Linda Parrish, Mahadevan said.

Parrish founded the center because she specialized in career education and special populations, and "she started getting a lot of questions" about that area, Mahadevan said.

The resource center "has been funded for the last 30 years because this issue is not going away," she said.

With Parrish's retirement, the program has been turned over to Extension. Peterson listed the center's major functions as:

- A resource lending library for career and technology educators, Extension personnel, parents, school administrators and others who are interested in helping prepare young people for a variety of career and technology occupations.
- Educational modules, available through the center's Web site,

which address such topics as legal issues, behavior management and transition from work to school.

A Web site (<http://ctsp.tamu.edu/>) where information on the available resources is provided. Information can also be obtained by calling 979-845-2444.

The resource library material is borrowed for free, Mahadevan said. She will mail the borrowed information to any resident of Texas who requests it.

"Their only cost is mailing it

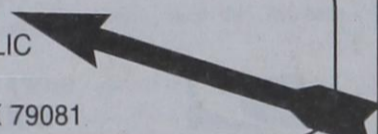
back to us," she said.

About 25 percent of the more than 400,000 special education students in Texas go through career and technology classes every year, Mahadevan said. That means each year thousands of young Texans could benefit from the materials provided by the program to their teachers and parents.

For more information contact Peterson at 979-845-3850 or Mahadevan at 979-845-2444.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING TO DISCUSS PRINGLE-MORSE CONSOLIDATED INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT'S STATE FINANCIAL ACCOUNTABILITY RATING

Gruver Independent School District will hold a public meeting at 7:00 p.m., September 19, 2006 in the Pringle-Morse CISD Boardroom, 100 Fifth Street, Morse

The purpose of this meeting is to discuss Pringle-Morse CISD's rating on the state's financial accountability system

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING TO DISCUSS GRUVER INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT'S STATE FINANCIAL ACCOUNTABILITY RATING

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The purpose of this meeting is to discuss Gruver Independent School District's rating on the state's financial accountability system

Gruver ISD Greyhound News

Cross Country

36 Gruver High School and Junior High School Cross Country athletes competed over the weekend at the Lake Fryer XC meet.

The Varsity girl's team finished in third place vs. other 1A teams, behind White Deer and Sunray.

The JV boy's team finished in 1st place!! The Junior High teams competed well with Jerrod C. earning the 4th place medal.

Congratulations to all who competed on a VERY difficult course.

The Junior High and JV teams will be competing at the Follett meet this weekend 9-16-06. (This is a change from the original schedule)

The Varsity teams will be competing at the Amarillo Invitational at Thompson Park.

A Big Thank You

The elementary would like to thank Coach Martindale and four of the High School varsity cheerleaders for babysitting during our 2nd & 3rd grade Open House on Monday evening September 11, 2006. It was a big help and the kids enjoyed it so much!

Students Caught Being Good

Carson Williams and Cole Logsdon were "Caught Being Good" at Friday's football game. They were watching and yelling for the Greyhounds!

For their Greyhound Spirit, they received a card and special treat from their principal.

Way to Go Guys!

Students Team up Across Campus

Mrs. Irwin's 6th Period Telecommunications & Networking Class has teamed up with Mrs. Stedje and the Elementary GT students to create Photo Stories. Look for their completed work on the GISD website in a few weeks!

Family, Career, & Community Leaders of America kick off Cheese Sale

The Gruver Chapter of Family, Career, and Community Leaders of America kicked off it's Zak's

Cheese Sale on Wednesday, September 6th. Each student was asked to sell 15 items to pay for their \$15.00 of state and national FCCLA dues. Some of the money will be used for a scholarship and to help fund activities, projects and trips. The sale will end on Friday, September 15th.

Items include: String Cheese, Summer Sausage, Cheddar Cheese, Jalapeno Cheese, Ranch Cheese, Salami Cheese, Cheddar Crock, Triple Treat Gift Box, Family Favorite Gift Box, Fudge with Nuts, Plain Fudge, Mints, Summer Six, Peanuts, and Peanut Brittle.

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Hispanic Heritage Celebrations Planned

For the second consecutive year, Oklahoma Panhandle State University will offer Hispanic Heritage Month activities. The United States has annually celebrated Hispanic culture for over 30 years, and in September of 2001, Congress authorized and requested the President to issue an annual proclamation designating September 15 through October 15 as National Hispanic Heritage Month. The declaration provides citizens an opportunity to express appreciation to Hispanic Americans for their contributions to society and celebrate our diversity.

The chosen dates encompass September 15 and 16, a time of traditional independence day celebrations for many Hispanic countries as well as October 12, known nationally as Columbus Day, but known as "Dia de la Raza" (Day of the Race) in Hispanic countries, a time set aside to commemorate Pre-Columbian cultures.

OPSU will kick off celebrations

on Sunday, September 17, with the annual Guymon FIESTA in the Texas County Activity Center. For the tenth year, the City of Guymon is hosting the free event with generous support from Oklahoma Arts Council, KGYN, Seaboard Foods, Hitch Enterprises, City National Band and the United Food and Commercial Workers International Union (UFCW).

The OPSU Mariachi Band will open the event with a performance beginning at 1:30 p.m. Folkloric dancers from Dallas will perform at 2:15, 3:00, and 4:00 and local dancers from Guymon High School and other groups will perform between those times. At 6 p.m., the FIESTA Queen and King will be crowned by OPSU President Dave Bryant. The successors to the crown receive a tuition waiver to attend OPSU in the fall of 2007. OPSU freshman Jezebel DelaGarza will crown the new royalty. The day concludes with a live Hispanic music concert and dance under the direction of Grupo Rosales from

Liberal, Kans. The family-oriented event includes food vendors, a piñata breaking, and a section for children to make traditional Mexican arts and crafts.

OPSU will host a variety of events throughout the month including "Latino Jam," a dance for the entire campus featuring great Latin rhythms, and "Feria Latina," a display celebrating a variety of Latin American countries with food tasting booths and cultural exhibits. Other plans include an area-wide high school and college level soccer tournament, the High School Hispanic Student Success Seminar, and Noche de Gala, an evening of Mexican-style food and entertainment. The McKee Library staff and the World Literature classes will host displays throughout the month. More information about these events will be available soon.

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North Plains Water District Continues to Collect Data

Landowners in the North Plains Water District (NPWD) will now be helping the District to collect data about the Ogallala aquifer on which we all rely for our water. New requirements have been placed on District water users which require the reporting of water production by meters or alternative metering methods each year. Water users can use meters, fuel usage, certified sprinkler package information, certified well flow tests, certified pivot packages, reporting by Pivot-trac and automatic pivot monitoring telemetry as options for determining their water production for the year.

In addition to the new requirement for reporting annual production of water, water users are also now limited to producing no more than two acre-feet of water per year on each acre. Earlier this year, packets with information and paperwork required of landowners were mailed out of the NPWD offices. Second notices have now been mailed to those landowners who have not returned the required information to the NPWD office. Information requested from landowners includes: which metering method they plan to use to report production each year, whether they have wells that are unused, whether they have domestic wells that have not been registered with the District, and whether they planned to file an agent authorization form to allow ag producers who lease land from the owner to fill out the paperwork with the District.

These new rules do not affect city dwellers in the North Plains Water District, but do impact cities, agricultural businesses and agricultural producers.

It is the role of NPWD to protect and preserve the underground water resources within its boundaries, and the rules were developed to try to address the increasing numbers of people competing for a dwindling and non-renewable resource. There is no real natural recharge of the Ogallala aquifer throughout most of the District, and yearly declines in some areas are exceeding seven feet per year. With the influx and expected influx of new agri-businesses, there will continue to be added demands on the aquifer each year, and it is the goal of NPWD to ensure that the water resources that are remaining are used carefully and without waste.

The mailing of second notices to landowners has resulted in a large volume of phone calls and persons visiting the office to file their metering information, so NPWD requests that those that plan to come in for help with the paperwork please call ahead for an appointment.

World War II Memorial Planned

by Marcus Mallard

Students enrolled in Oklahoma Panhandle State University's "Problems in Mural Painting" course have planned a new World War II memorial project to accentuate the existing memorial located on the northeast corner of the Marvin E. McKee Library. Entitled "Sacrifices at Home and Abroad," the mural will detail the story of a farming family suffering through the travesty of war. The class introduces a new experience to OPSU because it is the first time students have collaborated to establish a permanent monument on campus.

The class began last spring, and the students and instructor planned to complete the mural in one semester, but due to the complexity of the project, the class was extended into the fall semester. Instructor Brent Shoulders and classmates Hector Cobos, Emanuel DeHerrera, Marcus Mallard, and Antonio Martinez will create the mural on three aluminum panels, each over ten feet high. Two of the panels are five feet wide and the middle panel is over ten feet wide. The panels will be riveted to an iron frame that will be secured to the northeast corner of the library.

The mural has been made possible through generous donations from the Guymon American Legion, the OPSU Alumni Association, the OPSU Student Senate, and President David Bryant.

HANSFORD HOSPICE VOLUNTEER MINUTES

The Hansford Hospice Volunteers had a dinner last night for families of current patients and recent patients at the Bunkhouse Restaurant. A delicious meal of fried chicken was served. Lisa Salmans and Brenda Hopkins presented a delightful musical program.

The Volunteers held a short business meeting following the Dinner. President, Verna Lee Shirley, presided over the meeting.

It was reported that the new computer purchased by Hospice for the Hospice office came in.

Discussion was held concerning Hospice sending Dr. John Hierholzer to a Hospice seminar entitled "Hospice Physician Essentials" in Austin on October 27th. The emphasis of the seminar will be on pain management. Doyle Jackson moved that Hospice send Dr. Hierholzer to the seminar. Mary Kay Harbour seconded the motion and the motion passed. The same program will be given for Hospice nurses on October 28th. Linda Lieb moved that we send our Hospice Director, Stacy Rutga, and Rosetta Barrera, the Hospice Volunteer Coordinator, to the Nurses seminar. Mary Kay seconded this motion and it passed.

The Nominating Committee for Hospice Officers for the next year was formed. The members of the Nominating Committee are Pat Sutterfield, Jeane Percy and Pat Irwin.

The date for the Hospice Memorial Service was set for Sunday, November 5, 2006.

The date for the Hospice Lights of Love was set for Monday, December 4, 2006.

It was announced that November would be National Hospice Month and we would have the mayors do a declaration and arrange for publicity.

It was discussed possibly arranging for some public relations type of publicity and information about Hospice on radio stations and media in the area. Jo Linda Hutchison was asked to check into this possibility.

Stacy Rutga reported that Mary Kay Harbour has been preparing the baskets of goodies for the patients.

The next meeting will be

October 9, 2006, at Gruver State Bank.

GRUVER ISD BOARD OF TRUSTEES

The regular board meeting of the Board of Trustees, Gruver Independent School District was held Tuesday, August 29, 2006 at 7:03 p.m. Members present: Lee Bob Harper, Brent Stedje, Paul Stavlo, Jeff Graves, Traci Venneman, Curt Fitzgearld, Dwayne Thompson and Superintendent, David Teal.

Paul Stavlo opened meeting with prayer.

The Board received the following visitors: Debby Odom, Ron Antalek, Debby Mayhew, Mike King and Kevin Black.

Public Hearing (Proposed 2006-2007 tax rate and budget)

The Gruver ISD Board of Trustees held a budget workshop.

Each of the campus principals reported on TAKS, start of school, campus handbooks, and high school college readiness.

Motion by Lee Bob Harper, second by Curt Fitzgearld to approve the minutes from July 18, 2006 meeting. Voting Aye: Fitzgearld, Harper, Stavlo, Stedje, Thompson, Venneman; Abstain: Graves. Motion carried 6-0-1.

Motion by Jeff Graves, second by Curt Fitzgearld to amend budget for school year 2005-2006 (see attached). Motion carried 7-0.

Motion by Paul Stavlo, second by Traci Venneman to approve student transfers for school year 2006-2007 (see attached). Motion carried 7-0.

Motion by Jeff Graves, second by Lee Bob Harper to approve the Student Code of Conduct (see attached). Voting Aye: Fitzgearld, Graves, Harper, Thompson, Venneman; Voting Nay: Stavlo, Stedje. Motion carried 5-2.

The Board reviewed the following discussion items: Regular Board meeting - September 19, 2006 at 7:00 p.m.; Renovation project report; First reading of Update 78; Open government meeting training; Finance Report - Revenue/Expenditure

The Board of Trustees took a break at 8:15 and resumed at 8:20 p.m.

Motion by Lee Bob Harper, sec-

ond by Curt Fitzgearld to approve ACH (Direct Deposit Agreement) with Gruver State Bank (see attached). Motion carried 7-0.

Motion by Jeff Graves, second by Dwayne Thompson to approve 2006-2007 budget (see attached). Motion carried 7-0.

Motion by Paul Stavlo, second by Jeff Graves to approve the tax rate of \$1.33/\$100 for maintenance and operations (see attached). Motion carried 7-0.

Executive Session - Gov. Code 551.074

The board of trustees entered into executive session at 8:51.

Open Session - Gov. Code 551.001

The board of trustees entered into open session at 8:57 p.m.

Motion by Curt Fitzgearld, second by Traci Venneman to approve Administrative contract for one year to Debby Mayhew, Elementary Principal. Motion carried 7-0.

Motion by Traci Venneman, second by Lee Bob Harper to adjourn at 8:57 p.m.

GLADIOLA FLOWER CLUB NEWS

On July 20 members of Gladiola Flower Club met at the Bunkhouse for their regular meeting. Meeting was presided over by Murel Boyd, President. The subject of roll call was - my favorite past time. Judy Yarbrough, Project Chairman, signed up members for Bingo at Hansford Manor in August. Dorothy Buzzard had a member participation program on gardening and growing flowers. Those attending were: Judy Yarbrough, June Jackson, Dorothy auzzard, Betty Jean Davis, Muriel Boyd, Virginia Trindle, Margarette Evans, Estelle Jackson, Wanda Brown, Kathleen Lutton, Pam Schnell and Eloise Renner, hostess. Judy Yarbrough will be hostess on August 3.

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by Dorothy Hudson

Out At The Lake



A handsome buck with horns in the velvet taken by Frank Edwards on the Gibner side of the Palo Duro Park.

Lake Level--September 11, 2006--18.96 feet (+0.16)

Each Monday since the rains have come, I have called Jim for his report, thinking this will be the time we get the level back over 19 feet. Today he said the level had reached 19.04 briefly, but by this morning it was just under.

Rains south of Spearman plus 1.25 inch in Spearman caused Horse Creek to run and actually run enough to raise the Lake level. Jim took advantage of the run to do some fishing for catfish. He caught 24 fish on carp bait. The largest was a 6 pounder, and they were all a nice eating size.

When I remarked that I hadn't known about carp as a bait, he said quite often when someone is netting shad they will catch a carp. Then they use it as bait, too.

A nice buck was killed near the bridge over the Palo Duro over the

weekend. The accident caused a great deal of damage to the car, too. We need to watch for deer on our roads while night driving, but the stretch of highway that used to be covered by water is a particularly bad spot.

Two rattlesnakes have been killed on the Gruver school grounds. The custodians are trying to keep the grass mowed short now so snakes can be seen more easily.

Prairie bullsnakes look remarkably like prairie rattlers, but they are not poisonous. They have adapted a clever defense mechanism when threatened. They may rear up and shake their tails, making a rattling sound. Once when I yelled for someone to get me a hoe while I kept a rattlesnake in sight at dusk, I felt very foolish when it became evident that I had been misled by a bullsnake.

AG candidate Van Os makes 'whistle-stop' in Hansford County

Democratic candidate for Texas attorney general David Van Os visited Hansford County on Tuesday, September 12th while on the road for his statewide "whistle-stop tour."

Justice of the Peace Bob Davis commented, "I believe Van Os is the first candidate for a state office to visit Hansford County."

His campaign strategy is to visit all 254 county courthouses in Texas before the November election. Speaking in the most public of places to whomever will listen, he encourages people to fight back by restoring democracy and government to the people. Hansford County was his 179th stop.

"It's time for people to fight back against the big oil companies, insurance monopolies, political power grabbers, robber barons and other corporate and political elites who are rampaging against democracy and against the rights and liberties of the people," Van Os said. He said rural, small-town Texas is being left behind in the political process.

He vows to "go after" the major oil companies for violations of the Texas antitrust statutes, which are even older than the federal antitrust laws.

Van Os, who owns and manages David Van Os and Associates P.C. in San Antonio, promised the crowd that, if elected, he will keep the Trans-Texas Corridor from "tearing up hundreds of thousands of acres of Texas agricultural farmland."

He said that if the project is completed, it will be "one of the biggest single exercises of forcible eminent domain in the history of the entire United States."

"It will be a green light and private property will lose its sovereignty," Van Os said. "This forcible eminent domain will destroy the proper balance between the individual and government with respect to the individual's ability to control his or her own property."



David Van Os, candidate for the office of Attorney General of the State of Texas, filed an "Affidavit for Public Record" at the Hansford County Courthouse on September 12th during his visit to Spearman. (The text of the affidavit is below.)

AFFIDAVIT FOR PUBLIC RECORD

I, David Van Os, a resident and citizen of Texas, and nominee for the office of Attorney General of the State of Texas, hereby declare to my fellow Texans and solemnly affirm the following promises:

Article 4, Section 22 of the Texas Constitution places on the Attorney General the duty on behalf of the people to prevent and restrain any private corporation from demanding or collecting any species of toll not authorized by law. Therefore, if elected to serve as Attorney General of Texas, I solemnly promise that I will use every legal means available to me by that office to bring to a halt and/or invalidate the unconstitutional and illegal project known as the "Trans-Texas Corridor."

I further solemnly promise that I will use every legal means available to me by that office to oppose and/or invalidate any agreement or compact entered into by any state official of Texas with any foreign nation or state in violation of Article I, Section 10 of the United States Constitution.

I further solemnly promise that I will use every legal means available to me by that office to uphold and enforce the fundamental principle that public authority should never be used for special private gain.

I further solemnly promise that I will uphold and enforce through every legal means available to me by that office every enumerated right and liberty of the Bills of Rights of the United States and Texas Constitutions, including by way of example but not limited to, the First, Second, Fourth, Fifth, Sixth and Ninth Amendments of the United States Constitution.

By further way of example, I solemnly promise that I will use every legal means available to me by that office to uphold and enforce the guarantee of Article 1, Section 26 of the Texas Constitution that monopolies are contrary to the genius of free government and shall never be allowed, and that I will protect democracy and free enterprise from being devoured by the greed of runaway corporate monopolies.

By further way of example, I solemnly promise that, in recognition of the fundamental principle that the people are the masters and government the servant, I will use every legal means available to me by that office to prevent and/or invalidate unconstitutional intrusions upon the integrity and sovereignty of the individual and private property.

I further solemnly promise that I shall treat the office of Attorney General of Texas as exclusively the property of the people of Texas, which I shall hold in trust exclusively for the benefit of the public and never as my personal domain or tool of personal advancement or profit, for so long as the people may choose to entrust it to me.

David Van Os
Before me, the undersigned authority, personally appeared David Van Os, who is known to me, and who made and executed the above and foregoing statements under oath in my presence for the purposes and consideration expressed therein.

Subscribed and SWORN TO before me on this 11th day of September, 2006.
Mirta Rubalcava, Notary Public in and for the State of Texas. My commission expires 01/18/08.
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