

# IN THE NEWS

### Ukraine Court Likely to Clear Way for Yushchenko

Ukraine's Supreme Court moves on Wednesday into the final phase of prolonged legal challenges to liberal Viktor Yushchenko's presidential election victory, with a ruling likely to clear the way for his inauguration.

### Palestinians to Deploy Forces to Halt Attacks

Palestinian security forces will deploy to the Gaza Strip's borders with Israel within days to enforce President Mahmoud Abbas's order to halt militant attacks, their top commander said on Wednesday.

### Iraq Rebels Vent Frustrations at 'Peace Conference'

When dozens of suspected insurgents showed up for a "peace conference" in troubled Baquba on Tuesday, they told the governor sponsoring it why they would not lay down their weapons ahead of elections.

### Iraqi Expats Will Play Major Role In Election

Up to 1 million Iraqis outside the country are expected to cast ballots in the most extensive expatriate vote ever organized.

### U.S. Warns Iran Over Missiles, Punishes Chinese Firms

The Bush administration expressed concern on Tuesday about Iran's pursuit of longer-range ballistic missiles and imposed sanctions on Chinese companies it accused of helping Tehran in those efforts.

### U.S. Citizen Pleads Guilty in U.N. Oil-For-Food Scam

An Iraqi-American pleaded guilty on Tuesday to conspiracy, violating economic sanctions and other charges in connection with corruption in the U.N. oil-for-food program for Iraq, court documents showed.

### Suicide Bombing in Gaza Clouds Abbas Visit

A suicide bomber blew up near Israeli troops in the Gaza Strip Tuesday shortly after Palestinian Prime Minister Mahmoud Abbas arrived in the occupied territory to press militants to lay down their arms.

### U.N. Stresses Tsunami Lessons; Aid Drive Widens

U.S. helicopters stepped up aid flights in tsunami-hit Indonesia Tuesday as U.N. Secretary General Kofi Annan urged rich nations to spend more on preventing natural disasters before the next one hits.

### Kidnapped Iraq Bishop Freed, Says No Ransom Paid

The Iraqi Catholic archbishop of Mosul who was kidnapped at gunpoint Monday was freed Tuesday and said no ransom had been paid.

### Bush Tells Troops 'Much More Will Be Asked of You'

President Bush told U.S. troops on Tuesday that "much more will be asked of you" in Iraq and elsewhere as three days of ceremonies marking his inauguration got off to a somber beginning.

### Schwarzenegger Allows Rare California Execution

Citing "grisly and senseless killings," Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger declined on Tuesday to grant clemency to murderer Donald Beardslee, setting the stage for California's first execution in three years.

### Gonzales Says Any Torture by Americans Unlawful

Alberto Gonzales, seeking to win Senate confirmation as President Bush's attorney general, declared that any torture by American personnel would be unlawful, according to written responses released to questions by senators.

### Rice Defends Her Integrity in Clash Over Iraq

Secretary of State-designate Condoleezza Rice on Tuesday defended her integrity and honesty as she clashed with senators about Iraq and vowed to press diplomacy to repair ties strained by the war.

### Rice: Venezuela's Chavez 'Very Deeply Troubling'

Secretary of State-designate Condoleezza Rice criticized Venezuelan populist leader Hugo Chavez on Tuesday for autocratic moves to stifle opposition in the major U.S. oil supplier.

### U.S. Court Won't Block Arizona Immigration Law

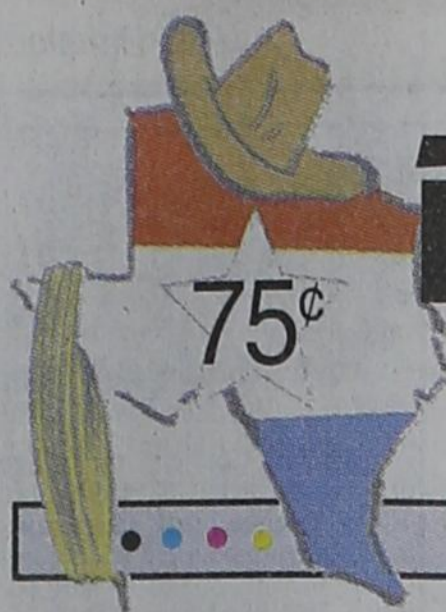
A federal appeals court has refused to block an Arizona law, approved by voters last year, that bars illegal immigrants from voting or seeking public assistance.

### Rice Tells N.Korea U.S. Can Deter Attack

Secretary of State-designate Condoleezza Rice on Tuesday sent North Korea a two-pronged message, insisting the United States has no plans to invade the isolated communist state but stressing it does have a deterrent against hostile actions by Pyongyang.

### Gov. Kinky - the Next Leader of Texas?

Kinky Friedman, the best-selling author, country singer and friend of the stray dog, will officially toss his ten-gallon hat into the ring for the 2006 Texas governor's race next week, his campaign said.



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## GHS geometry class to raffle quilt

A warm winter awaits the winner of a handmade quilt being raffled by the Gruver High School geometry class of Julie Babbs.

Matti Wheelock, left, and Micah Lewis, display the red and black quilt which features Gruver's Gambler G emblazoned with footballs, basketballs, greyhounds, stars, and patriotic hearts.

Students submitted designs for the quilt. Tanner Irwin's basic design was selected with the ideas of other students incorporated.

After the students made patterns for the pieces and cut the fabric, teacher Julie Babbs stitched the pieces together. In the final step, students hand-tied the quilt.

The fabric work of art will given away at the last Gruver home basketball game, February 8.

Tickets are \$1.00 each and may be purchased from any GHS geometry student. Proceeds will benefit the math department scholarship.



## Gold Performance Acknowledgements give local schools pat on the back

Hansford County school districts earned Gold Performance Acknowledgement from the Texas Education Agency.

Gruver ISD received acknowledgments for Attendance, Writing and the Recommended High School Program (RHSP). Gruver High School and Gruver Jr. High were both rated as Recognized. Gruver High School received Gold Performance Acknowledgements in Attendance and RHSP. Gruver Junior High received acknowledgements in Attendance, Writing, Science and Social Studies. Gruver Elementary received a rating of Exemplary and received acknowledgements for Attendance, Reading, Math and Writing.

Spearman ISD received acknowledgements for Attendance and the Recommended High School Program. Spearman High School and Spearman Jr. High were rated as Academically Acceptable, with Spearman High School receiving acknowledgements for Attendance and RHSP. Spearman Jr. High received acknowledgements for Attendance, Writing and Social Studies. Spearman Elementary received a rating of Recognized, and earned acknowledgements in Reading and Writing.

Pringle-Morse CISD received acknowledgements for Attendance, Reading and Science. Pringle-Morse Jr. High earned a rating of Recognized.

About 40 percent of Texas school districts and 31 percent of campuses earned more than one Gold Performance Acknowledgment from the Texas Education Agency. Overall, approximately 69 percent of Texas school districts and 53 percent of campuses earned one or more Gold Performance Acknowledgments.

Districts were eligible for a maximum of 11 possible GPAs, which are measures of high performance created by the Texas Legislature or the commissioner of education.

"The Texas Legislature in 2001 created the Gold Performance Acknowledgment to publicly recognize districts and campuses for high performance in areas that are in addition to those used to determine state accountability ratings," Commissioner of Education Shirley J. Neeley said.

"The Gold Performance Acknowledgments give schools an extra pat on the back. We are proud of the schools and districts that are being recognized today because they represent schools that go beyond the basics," Neeley said.

For example, beginning this year, high school freshmen, under Texas law, must follow the rigorous Recommended High School Program, a college preparatory degree plan. But many students in recent years voluntarily followed this diploma plan and today 51.3 percent of Texas school districts received a GPA because they had more than half of their students in the Class of 2003 graduate under the Recommended plan.

The GPA also includes new indicators that were not previously used for acknowledgments: TAKS Commended Performance in reading/English language arts, writing, mathematics, science, and social studies. Twenty-one percent of the districts received an acknowledgment because of the percentage of their students who earned "commended" status on the writing component of the Texas Assessment of Knowledge and Skills. Almost 12 percent of the districts earned this recognition because of the percentage of students who achieved commended status on the TAKS reading test.

Performance measures for each campus and district in Texas are available at: <http://www.tea.state.tx.us/perfreport/account/2004/index.html>.

## Celebrating 75 Years A look back at Gruver's past



A landmark in Gruver is the two-story brick home on the corner of Broadway and Womble Streets.

The home is also the oldest home in Gruver which has remained in the same family.

Built by Joe and Addie in 1929, the home later housed Lawrence Gruver, for whom Gruver is named, and his family until his death in March 1980.

Being vacant for over twenty years, the house was sometimes thought to be haunted by Gruver children due to the fact that a vintage copper-colored Cadillac was parked in the driveway, and lights were supposedly observed in the house.

In August of 2000, the home was cleaned and repaired to house Rod and Mica Been and their children Cody Mac, Sydney, and Anders. Mica is the great, great granddaughter of the original builders.

The home is noted for its large kitchen, bathroom, and closets, which was quite unusual for homes of the era in which kitchens were small and indoor bathrooms and closets were sometimes non-existent.

## Flu - "widespread" in Texas

Texas Department of State Health Services (DSHS) officials reported today that influenza activity in the state last week rose to the widespread classification for the first time this flu season.

Officials say it is not too late to get a flu shot and encourage those in the priority groups to get one.

Flu season officially runs from October through May. In Texas, the heavy part of flu season typically occurs in late December, January and February.

The A/Fujian and B/Shanghai forms of the flu virus have been identified in Texas. Both are covered by this season's vaccine.

The expanded priority groups for the flu shot are children 6 months through 23 months of age, adults 50 and older, anyone with underlying chronic medical conditions, women who will be pregnant during flu season, residents of nursing homes and other long-term care

facilities, children 6 months through 18 years on chronic aspirin therapy, medical care workers providing direct patient care and caregivers and household contacts of children under 6 months old and of others at high risk of severe complications from the flu.

More vaccine has been shipped to Texas providers in recent weeks. People wanting to get a flu shot should contact their doctor, call the 2-1-1 information service and call their local public health department or nearest DSHS regional office.

It takes about two weeks after getting the flu shot for the vaccine to offer maximum protection. A pneumococcal vaccine also is recommended for people 65 and older and those with chronic health problems to protect against pneumonia caused by pneumococcus bacteria. Pneumonia is often a complication of influenza.



The Cristo Redentor Catholic Church in Gruver had a fund raising raffle for a 2004 red Chevy Aveo on December 12, 2004. Feliz Mijares of Guymon, OK accepts the keys to his new car from Rev. Guillermo Morales of Cristo Redentor Catholic Church. The church held a fund raising raffle for the red 2004 Chevy Aveo on December 12, 2004. The would like to congratulate Feliz, and thank everyone who purchased a ticket.

## WEEKEND WEATHER FORECAST

THURSDAY - Mostly sunny. Highs in the mid 60s. Northwest winds 5 to 10 mph shifting to the northeast in the afternoon.

THURSDAY NIGHT - Partly cloudy. Lows in the mid 30s. Southwest winds 5 to 15 mph.

FRIDAY - Partly cloudy. Highs around 60.

FRIDAY NIGHT - Partly cloudy. Lows in the lower 30s.

SATURDAY - Partly cloudy. Highs in the lower 50s.

SATURDAY NIGHT - Partly cloudy. Lows in the upper 20s.

SUNDAY - Partly cloudy. Highs in the upper 50s.

SUNDAY NIGHT - Partly cloudy. Lows in the upper 20s.

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by Catherine R. Smith  
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My friend Cindy Ballard of Dalhart sent me the following poem, entitled "Crabby Old Woman."

I would like to dedicate this poem to Merry Sparks, Janie Kunselman and the staff at Hansford Manor. Thank you for seeing the people inside!

**Crabby Old Woman**

What do you see, nurses? What do you see?  
What are you thinking when you're looking at me?

A crabby old woman, not very wise,  
Uncertain of habit, with faraway eyes?

Who dribbles her food and makes no reply  
When you say in a loud voice, "I do wish you'd try!"

Who seems not to notice the things that you do,  
And forever is losing a stocking or shoe?

Who, resisting or not, lets you do as you will,  
With bathing and feeding, the long day to fill?

Is that what you're thinking? Is that what you see?  
Then open your eyes, nurse, you're not looking at me.

I'll tell you who I am as I sit here so still,  
As I do at your bidding, as I eat at your will.

I'm a small child of ten with a father and mother,  
Brothers and sisters, who love one another.

A young girl of sixteen with wings on her feet  
Dreaming that soon now a lover she'll meet.

A bride soon at twenty, my heart gives a leap,  
Remembering the vows that I promised to keep.

At twenty-five now, I have young of my own,  
Who need me to guide and a secure happy home.

A woman of thirty, My young now grown fast,  
Bound to each other with ties that should last.

At forty, my young sons have grown and are gone,  
But my man's beside me to see I don't mourn.

At fifty once more, Babies play round my knee,  
Again we know children, my loved one and me.

Dark days are upon me, my husband is dead,  
I look at the future, I shudder with dread.

For my young are all rearing young of their own,  
And I think of the years and the love I have known.

I'm now an old woman and nature is cruel;  
'Tis jest to make old age look like a fool.

The body, it crumbles, grace and vigor depart,  
There is now a stone where I once had a heart.

But inside this old carcass a young girl still dwells,  
And now and again, my battered heart swells.

I remember the joys, I remember the pain,  
And I'm loving and living life over again.

I think of the years all too few, gone too fast,  
And accept the stark fact that nothing can last.

So open your eyes, people, open and see,  
Not a crabby old woman; look closer . . . see ME!!

May God bless and keep you; May He make his  
face to shine upon you, and be gracious to you;  
May the Lord lift up his countenance upon you,  
and give you peace. Numbers 6:24-26  
Catherine :)

**Weekly Report:  
Influenza Summary Update**  
Week 1, ending Jan. 8, 2004

**SYNOPSIS:** During week 1 (January 2-8, 2005)\*, influenza activity continued to increase mostly in the eastern United States. Five hundred ten (16.8%) specimens tested by U.S. World Health Organization (WHO) and National Respiratory and Enteric Virus Surveillance System (NREVSS) collaborating laboratories were positive for influenza viruses. Over fifty percent of all influenza A isolates this season have been reported from the Mid-Atlantic and New England surveillance regions\*\*. The proportion of patient visits to sentinel providers for influenza-like illness (ILI) is at the national baseline and the proportion of deaths attributed to pneumonia and influenza is below the epidemic threshold. The first influenza-associated pediatric death was reported during week 1. Eight states and New York City reported widespread influenza activity, 12 states reported regional influenza activity, and 10 states reported local activity. Twenty states, the District of Columbia, and Puerto Rico reported sporadic influenza activity.

**INFLUENZA ACTIVITY AS ASSESSED BY STATE AND TERRITORIAL EPIDEMIOLOGISTS\*:** During week 1, 8 states (Connecticut, Delaware, Kentucky, Maryland, New York, Rhode Island, Texas, and Vermont) and New York City reported widespread activity. Twelve states (Alabama, Arizona, Idaho, Iowa, Kansas, Maine, Massachusetts, Minnesota, Nevada, New Hampshire, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, and Wisconsin) reported regional influenza activity. Ten states (Alaska, Illinois, Louisiana, Michigan, North Carolina, North Dakota, South Dakota, Tennessee, Utah, and Virginia) reported local activity. Twenty states (Alabama, Arizona, Arkansas, California, Florida, Georgia, Hawaii, Indiana, Mississippi, Missouri, Montana, Nebraska, New Mexico, Ohio, Oklahoma, Oregon, South Carolina, Washington, West Virginia, and Wyoming), District of Columbia, and Puerto Rico reported sporadic influenza activity.

\* Reporting is incomplete for this week. Numbers may change as more reports are received.  
\*\* Surveillance Regions: New England (Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Vermont, Rhode Island); Mid-Atlantic (New Jersey, New York City, Pennsylvania, Upstate New York); East North Central (Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Ohio, Wisconsin); West North Central (Iowa, Kansas, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, North Dakota, South Dakota); South Atlantic (Delaware, Florida, Georgia, Maryland, North Carolina, South Carolina, Virginia, Washington, D.C., West Virginia); East South Central (Alabama, Kentucky, Mississippi, Tennessee); West South Central (Arkansas, Louisiana, Oklahoma, Texas); Mountain (Arizona, Colorado, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, New Mexico, Utah, Wyoming); Pacific (Alaska, California, Hawaii, Oregon, Washington)  
\*\*\* The national and regional percentage of patient visits for ILI is weighted on the basis of state population.  
Report prepared: January 13, 2005.

**Wolf Creek Heritage  
Museum Notes**

by Virginia Scott

From 1988 to 1992, the Lipscomb County Historical Society published a quarterly Newsletter. The Newsletter was sent to paid subscribers and contained articles written by Lipscomb County citizens about Lipscomb County people, events, and history.

We have printed and published these newsletters in the form of a book which is available in our store. From time to time, we consider resurrecting the newsletter and the subscription service. Let us know what you think by calling or writing us. Would you subscribe to a Historical Newsletter?

In the last newsletter published in 1992, Maurice Ehrlich wrote an article entitled "Remembering 'Shorty' Beyea." Shorty was apparently a main street fixture in Follett.

Maurice describes Shorty in this way, "Clean clothes for Shorty were new Blue Big Smith Overalls from Crumps Dry Goods, and later from my store The Family Mart. We always had to cut off the legs to allow for a 24" inseam. He never wore anything else. Blue overalls and a blue or grey workshirt, plus black shoes and a black hat. He smoked a pipe, and loved Follett.

Why not? He lived on Main Street. He could eat breakfast at 6 a.m. in Rips Royal Cafe. He could play dominoes or pool at Keith

Cross Pool Hall six days a week. He could drink a beer at several places, although I don't know if he did very much, or at all. Funny, I don't remember ever seeing him drink, so he probably didn't.

He was Baptized into the Methodist Church by Reverend Chuck Ellzey, November 28, 1954. Funny, I don't remember him in church too much, but he was faithful to Methodist Men. He never missed a meal."

The article was accompanied with a photo of Shorty with a huge fish that he apparently caught, but where? He apparently never ventured too far from Follett. Did we used to have lakes or creeks that grew these guys? Coffee shop patrons, lets us know.

Our new exhibit is up and very interesting. It is a photographic exhibit of the WWII 94th Fighter Squadron, First Fighter Group of the 15th Air Force in Foggia, Italy from May, 1944 to December, 1945. The photographs were taken by Sargeant James Bertoglio, 20 year old, squadron photographer. Accompanying the exhibit are numerous books for all ages about the war and soldiers, CDs and DVDs.

Our reception will be on Sunday, January 30, 2005 at 2 p.m. featuring Bob Izzard as guest speaker. Please plan to attend.



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Army Spc. Charles Graner Jr. was sentenced to ten years in military prison for his role in torturing prisoners at the Abu Ghraib prison. [USA Today] Graner threatened to rape prisoners and made them eat pork, and made one prisoner eat from a toilet. [NYTimes] He insisted that he was only following orders. "There's a war on," he said. "Bad things happen." [USA Today] More reports surfaced detailing torture in Iraq, this time with Navy SEALs and the CIA as the instigators, and [Sacramento Bee] the Pentagon was considering whether to fund special, El Salvador-style Iraqi death squads. [MSNBC] Sixty Afghans were released from Guantanamo Bay and returned home, and [The Malaysia Star] detainees from other nations were released without being charged. [ABC] Further allegations of torture at Guantanamo Bay were made by the FBI. [The Kansas City Star]

Iraqi insurgents were killing at least one hundred people each week, and [NYTimes] the Bush administration announced that the hunt for weapons of mass destruction had been a total failure. [AP] Iraqi polling places were bombed, and [NYTimes] Iraqi Prime Minister Iyad Allawi announced that \$2 billion would be spent to add 50,000 troops to the Iraqi army. [NYTimes] Ukraine pulled its troops out of Iraq. [Washington Post]

A soldier who sued the Army for requiring him to return to Iraq was sent back to serve another tour of duty, and [Army Times] in Mosul, a Syrian archbishop was kidnapped. [NYTimes] The Army was planning to deploy knee-high robots equipped with machine guns to fight Iraqi insurgents, and [Modesto Bee] Osama bin Laden was rumored to have returned to Afghanistan. [USA Today]

The White House continued to work towards a constitutional amendment banning same-sex marriages, and [NYTimes] the Supreme Court ruled that the Ku Klux Klan could adopt a highway in Missouri. [Reuters] A federal judge ordered Cobb County, Georgia, schools to remove from biology textbooks all stickers that question the theory of evolution. [The Guardian]

Sir David King, the Chief Scientific Advisor to the United Kingdom, was under attack by American lobbyists for saying that global warming is a problem, and [The Independent] a police officer in the Philippines was accused of stealing a fellow officer's bomb-sniffing dog, then eating it. [Sun Star Davao] United States Special Forces teams were conducting secret missions in Iran, where [Guardian] Halliburton, operating through a subsidiary in the Cayman Islands, was to start drilling for oil. [Reuters]

In Hempstead, New York, two legal-reform activists were detained for telling old lawyer jokes outside a courthouse, including: "Why do they bury lawyers 100 feet into the ground? Because down deep, they're good people." An offended lawyer had the men arrested. [Newsday]

Rwanda said that it will attempt to try one-eighth of its population for genocide. Trials will be held in small village courts, called gacacas. [The Guardian]

A 64-year-old webmaster sued the Tallahassee, Florida, Department of Elder Affairs for age discrimination, and [Tallahassee.com] a New Mexico woman was sued for embezzling Girl Scout cookies. [KOBTV.com] The FBI announced that Virtual Case File, an incomplete, \$170 million software application intended to help agents share information, was likely to be scrapped. A British contractor was hired to define requirements for a new system. [LA Times]

All 790 men in Truro, Massachusetts, were asked to submit to a DNA test so that they could prove their innocence in a three-year-old murder case. [BBC News] A man jumped from the Millau viaduct, the world's tallest bridge, to become its first suicide, and [AFP] the last reel-to-reel tape manufacturer in America went under, forcing indie rockers to hoard tapes. [The Wall Street Journal]

In Colombia, a Black Hawk helicopter crashed while on a counter-narcotics mission, killing all twenty onboard. [Washington Post]

In India, men were calling tsunami relief help lines, offering to marry women who lost their husbands in the recent disaster. "I have no caste barriers, and my parents are very supportive of my decision," said one caller. [Times of India]

President George W. Bush nominated Michael Chertoff, a former aide to John Ashcroft and former Senate Republican counsel for the Whitewater investigation, [PBS] to head the Department of Homeland Security. [NYTimes] Forty agencies were working together to provide security for the event. [The News-Herald] The White House refused to reimburse Washington, D.C., for inauguration expenses, which will require \$11.9 million to be diverted from homeland security funds, and [Washington Post] it was announced that no one may carry a cross along the parade route. [The News-Herald]

Performers in the inaugural parade, including marching bands, bell ringers, and Civil War reenactors, were instructed not to look directly at Bush as they pass the parade stand, nor to make any sudden moves. [The News-Herald]

The parents of a baby born on January 6, and officially named the 1.3 billionth citizen of China, turned down sponsorship deals from diaper makers. "Zhang Yichi is too young, and too many commercial activities will have negative impact on the boy's healthy growth," said Zhang Tong, the boy's father. [China Daily]

Storms ravaged California, where the resulting mud slides killed at least nine while dislodging boulders up to twenty-five feet in diameter. [AP]

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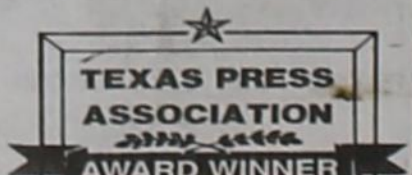
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### Prairie Rivers Musical

The Prairie Rivers Musical is featured on the 3rd Saturday of each month (October through April) at Canadian Middle School. There is no admission charge. For more information, call (806) 323-6213.

### 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 January 24, 2005. 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 info or to schedule an appointment.

### Pringle-Morse CISD, Gus Birdwell Elementary and Spearman Jr. High Saving Register Tapes

Pringle-Morse CISD, Gus Birdwell Elementary and Spearman Jr. High are saving register tapes for educational equipment and sports equipment from Lowe's Marketplace stores. The program began September 1, 2004, and register tapes will be collected until March 31, 2005. The students and faculty of each of these schools would appreciate your support by saving your register tapes from participating Lowe's grocery stores in order to help them receive their needed equipment, such as computers, science, band or sports equipment, and much more. Receipts may be given to any student. Pringle-Morse receipts may be mailed to: Pringle-Morse CISD, PO Box 109, Morse, TX 79062. Gus Birdwell Elementary and Spearman Jr. High receipts may be taken to each school office.

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

Open meetings will be held on Thursday night from 8-9 p.m. at the First Christian Church (29 S. Bernice in Spearman) for the "You're Never Alone" group of Narcotics Anonymous. Anyone interested is invited.

### Southwest Pioneer Windmill Association annual meeting

The annual meeting of the Southwestern Pioneer Windmill Association membership will be at noon, February 2, 2005 at the Hungry Cowboy. Dues for 2005 are \$10.00 and can be mailed to Orville Latham, 903 S. Bernice, Spearman or Nellie Buchanan at 1112 Linn Dr., Spearman. The meal is Dutch treat but is optional. Membership and the meeting is open to anyone interested.

### 2005 Hansford County Spelling Bee

The 2005 Hansford County Spelling Bee will be held Tuesday, February 15 at 3:30 pm in the Spearman High School Auditorium. Private, public, parochial and home-schooled students are eligible to enter this annual competition. The bee is open to any student in grade 8 and below. The county senior champion will compete in the March 5th Regional event at the Canyon High School campus in Canyon. For more information about the spelling bee, contact Cindy Blackman, Community Resource Coordinator, Spearman ISD at 659-3233.

### Lunch & Learn

"Remember When We Cooked?" will be the topic for the Lunch & Learn on Thursday, February 3rd from 12-1 p.m. at the Fellowship Hall of the Spearman Church of Christ. Diane Bim, former home economist for Southwestern Public Service Company in Amarillo, will present quick and easy recipes with common ingredients that are readily available. The 240-page cookbook is a combination of favorites from the old SPS festive foods pamphlets and family favorites from the seven SPS home economists who wrote the book. The cookbook ranges from entertaining a crowd to preparing family dinners. It includes cooking and entertaining tips and personal stories. Logos indicate "Quick & Easy," "Kid Friendly" and "Make Ahead." Donations will be accepted for the luncheon of festive foods and program, sponsored by the Texas Cooperative Extension Service and Extension Education Clubs. Books will be available for purchase and signing. Please call Peggy Winegarner at 659-4131 or 733-2901 for more information.

### Accolade Home Care Health Fair

Accolade Home Care is hosting a Health Fair at the O'Loughlin Center on Monday, January 31st from 2-4 p.m. The following services will be provided: blood pressure check, oxygen saturation check, glucose and cholesterol check, weight, and foot care screens. Door prizes and snacks will be provided. For more information, call Accolade Home Care toll-free at 877-392-3900 or contact Linda Todd at 580-888-4604.

### PUBLIC MEETINGS

- Spearman Fire Department meets every Thursday at 7 p.m. at the Spearman Volunteer Fire Department.
- Gruver Fire Department meets the first, second and fourth Tuesday of each month.
- Gruver Chamber of Commerce meets the first Tuesday of each month at 12 noon at the El Vaquero.
- Hansford County Commissioners Court meets the second and fourth Mondays at 10 a.m. at Hansford County Courthouse.
- Stationmaster's House Museum Board of Directors meets the second Monday at 2 p.m. at the Stationmaster's House Museum.
- Spearman ISD Board of Trustees meets the second Monday of each month at 7 p.m. in the Spearman High School Library.
- Women's Division of the Spearman Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors meets the second Wednesday of each month at noon.
- Gruver City Commission meets the second Wednesday of each month at 5 p.m. in Gruver City Hall.
- Spearman Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors meets the second Thursday of each month at noon.
- Pringle-Morse CISD Board of Trustees meets the second Thursday of each month at 7 p.m.
- Spearman City Council meets the third Tuesday of each month at 7:30 p.m. in the City Hall Chambers at City Hall.
- Women's Division of the Spearman Chamber of Commerce meets the third Wednesday of each month at noon.
- Gruver ISD Board of Directors meets the fourth Tuesday of each month at 6 p.m. in the Board Room at Gruver High School.
- Hansford County Hospital District Board of Directors meets the fourth Wednesday of each month at 6:30 p.m. in the Board Room at Hansford Hospital.

# 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

### January 20

**Birthdays** - Johnny Jarvis, Lena Mae Ford, Kyle Nollner, Carol Lemons, Staci Swan, Lupe Espinosa, Terry Schneider, Louis Rodriguez, Kris Kelp, Mike Pack, Shawn Bratton, Brieanne Jordan, Fabian Gaspar  
**Anniversaries** - M/M Kermit McKee, M/M Sonny Blankenship

### January 21

**Birthdays** - Roy Mayhew, Dewey Taylor, Julie Moore, Tim Harper, Gary Papay, Wanda Archer, Steve Moore, Timothy Bynum, Sandra Mills, Bonnie Schaefer, Marcus Vasquez  
**Anniversaries** - M/M Jeff Beedy, M/M Kenneth Baker, M/M Kent Rimmel, Mr. & Mrs. David Schultz

### January 22

**Birthdays** - James Lemons, Cynthia DeArmond, Alicia Ochoa, Lisa Love, Tommy Saltzman, Mandi Vargas, Stacey Mayfield, John Kunseiman, Brandon Jones, Angelica Avila, Callie Hopkins, Joe Avila  
**Anniversaries** - M/M James Scroggs, M/M Walter McDade, M/M Steve Gross, M/M John Armes

### January 23

**Birthdays** - Pat Morley, Marci Roberts, Kay McFarlin, Michael Barnes, Brandon Sutton, Jimmy Kenney, Johnnie Fuller, Ann Zamora, Mac Blankenship, Willie Vasquez, Adriana Reza  
**Anniversaries** - M/M Jim Roberts, M/M Gene Duncan

### January 24

**Birthdays** - Quentin Hart, Kenneth Irwin, Luis Salazar, Dearl Shelton, Ronnie Goodman, Alan Leach, Jean

Prouty, Charla Roberts  
**Anniversaries** - Larry & Gayle Porter, M/M Archie Smith

### January 25

**Birthdays** - Kevin Babbs, Elizabeth Benton, R.L. McFarlin, Mike Dodd, Deloris Sloan, Kurt Carson, Joanna Jarvis, Oralia Ochoa, Jackie Sparks, Van Baumgardner, Crystal D. Cantu, Braquel Reed, Amy Watley, Mason McLain, Kyla Reid, Damon Sibley  
**Anniversaries** - M/M Marvin Sparks

### January 26

**Birthdays** - Chase Reid, Joe Cage, Gary Woolley, Matt Archer, Patsy Hunt, Jon King, Tiffany Hendricks, Lori Ann Perez, Patsy Brown, Kellie Kjos, Mark Thomas, Debbie Hagerman, Rodolfo Garcia  
**Anniversaries** - Bill & Jody Harnish

### January 27

**Birthdays** - Jack Gillispie, Jerry Womble, Wanda Brown, Lynette Williams, Nickie Lozano, Jerry Hart, Twana Trout, Allen Leach, Andrew Boyd, Amber Ramon, Berry Kirkpatrick, Lyndle Cook  
**Anniversaries** - M/M Gus Vargas

### January 28

**Birthdays** - Brooke Bevil, Rita Williams, Howard Garnett, Tammy Burch, Joe Archer Jr., Melissa Donahue, Joyce Woolley, Patty Volden, Randy Burress, DeAnn Sparks, Brooke Adams, Curtis Cemik, Lupe Velasquez, Cari Stedje  
**Anniversaries** - M/M Clark Bridges

### January 29

**Birthdays** - Bill Hadley, Erin Derington, Linda Diaz, Johnnie Gaither, Andy Graham, Richard Larson, Estella Gilmore, Andi Hager, Tanner Beedy, Gerry Davis, Nancy Mitchell, Dustin Hodge, Delphia Duke, Brad Hicks, Travis Reising, Jackson Davis  
**Anniversaries** - M/M Harold Anderson

# Our Sympathy

### MARY GURLEY

WAKA - Mary Gurley, 50, died Sunday, January 16, 2005. Services were at 10 a.m. Wednesday in Full Gospel Community Worship Center with the Rev. Larry White, the Rev. Tim Ramsey and Frank Buzzard officiating. Burial was in Ochiltree Cemetery by Boxwell Brothers Funeral Home of Perryton.

Mrs. Gurley was born Jan. 25, 1954, in Amarillo. She had lived in the area for 28 years.

She married Danny Gurley on April 25, 1980, in Waka. She was a licensed vocational nurse and worked at the hospital for seven years as a nurse. She died after a long illness.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Guy and Opal White.

Survivors include her husband; two sons, John Adams Jr. of Spearman and Chris Adams of Sherman; a daughter, Kelli Meller of Perryton; two sisters, Caroline Monden of Oklahoma City and Guydell Hill of Amarillo; her twin brother, Larry White of Amarillo; numerous nieces and nephews; six grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

The family suggests memorials be to Hospice Volunteers, 3101 Garrett Drive, Perryton, TX 79081, or Ochiltree General Hospital at the same address.

# Card of Thanks

I would like to thank everyone who helped me enjoy my retirement party. The cards, gifts, flowers, money and mostly your presence made for a special day to be remembered.

A special thanks to my employees, Linda and Dorothy, and all of my co-workers in the courthouse. Most of all, I appreciate the privilege of serving as Hansford County Tax Assessor-Collector for the past thirty-one years.

Thank you!  
Helen Dry

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 Pastor - Roland Haney

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 401 N. Bernice • 659-2295  
 Sunday School: 9:30 a.m.  
 Worship: 10:35 a.m.  
 Kid's Church: 10:35 a.m.  
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 Wed. Worship: 7 p.m.  
 Wed. Youth: 7  
 Pastor - Bob Elder

**First Christian Church**  
 (Disciples of Christ)  
 29 S. Bernice • 659-2036  
 Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.  
 Worship: 10:50 a.m.  
 Minister - Gary Smith

**First Baptist Church**  
 123 N. Bernice • 659-5557  
 Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.  
 Worship: 11 a.m.  
 Evening Worship: 7 p.m.  
 Men's Bible Study - Wed., 7 a.m.  
 Children's Choir - Wed., 6 p.m.  
 Adult Choir - Wed., 7 p.m.  
 Wed. Bible Study: 7 p.m.  
 Pastor - Jim Medley

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

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

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

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

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

**Union Church**  
 31 S. Endicott • 659-2644  
 Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.  
 Worship: 10:45 a.m.  
 Evening Worship: 6 p.m.  
 Bible Study: 7 p.m. Wed.  
 Pastor - Bill Sparks

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

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

**El Apostento Alto U.P.C.I.**  
 1105 S. Roland  
 Domingos: Escuela-Dominical - 10 a.m.  
 Culto Evangelistico - 7 p.m.  
 Jueves: Oracion - 8 p.m.  
 Mier: Estudio Biblico - 7 p.m.  
 Pastor - A.G. Martell  
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**First Baptist Church**  
 402 E. Broadway • 733-2411  
 Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.  
 Worship: 10:50 a.m.  
 Disciple Training: 6 p.m. Sunday  
 Prayer Meeting: 7:30 p.m. Wednesday  
 Pastor - Scott Curry

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

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

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

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

### Oslo

**Oslo Lutheran Church (ELCA)**  
 6 Miles West & 12 Miles  
 North of Gruver  
 339-7709  
 Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.  
 Worship: 11 a.m.  
 Pastor - Paul Fiske

### Waka

**Waka Church of the Brethren**  
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### Morse

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### 50th Wedding Anniversary



Joan and Wilson McClellan celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary with their immediate family on Saturday, January 1, 2005 at 6 p.m. at Del Frisco's Steak House in Fort Worth. The event was hosted by the sons of the couple.

McClellan married the former Edna Joan Dewees on January 1, 1955 at 6 p.m. in the First United Methodist Church of Spearman.

The couple has resided in Spearman. McClellan has worked in automotive, farm equipment, and retired from farming. He has served with the Chamber of Commerce, JC's, Spearman School Board and the Spearman City Council.

Mrs. McClellan, a registered nurse, worked as school nurse, Hansford Hospital Nurse and retired from the Texas Department of Health as Public Health Nurse. She continues to serve as a Hospice volunteer.

Wilson and Joan are members of the First United Methodist Church of Spearman.

Sons of the couple are Ken McClellan and Flora of Bali, Indonesia and Cris McClellan and wife Brette of Fort Worth.

Joan and Wilson have three granddaughters, Stephanie Bass and husband Zack, Harley and Jennifer McClellan. Great-grandchildren are Austin and Tanner Bass.

Ken's wife and step-daughter, Jena, were unable to make the trip from Bali.

# ET CETERA

## Hansford County

### 4-H, FFA youth to compete in Fort Worth Stock Show

County stock show exhibitors will be competing next week January 18-21 at the Fort Worth Stock Show, the first of the major stock shows of the season.

### County stock show nears

The annual Hansford County Stock Show will be held February 11 and 12, at the Spearman County Barn.

## Gruver

### Spring break rescheduled

Gruver schools spring break will be March 7 - 11. This is a change from earlier calendars that listed the break at a later time.

The March 7-11 break will coincide with the Houston Livestock Show.

Easter break will be March 25-March 28, with school resuming Tuesday, March 29.

### Local stock show set

The Gruver practice stock show will be held Sunday, January 23, at 2:00 p.m., at the Gruver County Barn.

### Gruver to host jr. high tourney

Gruver will host its annual junior high tournament Thursday, January 27 and Saturday, January 29.

### Powerlifting schedule released

The GHS Powerlifting team competed in their first meet of the year Saturday at Highland Park.

They will compete January 29 at White Deer, and February 5 at Dalhart. For those qualifying, the regional meet will be March 12 at Lubbock Roosevelt.

### Junior varsity player injured

Tucker Williams sustained a serious leg injury during overtime of the junior varsity game at White Deer Friday night.

The sophomore broke two bones in his leg near his ankle. He under-

went surgery Saturday in Amarillo. After his stitches are removed, he will be able to have a walking cast.

### Community care concerns

Ross Walker was hospitalized in Guymon last week. He and his wife Edna Marie had been in south Texas when he became ill.

It is hoped Walker will be home by press time.

Taylor Petty, the great granddaughter of former resident Herman Bryd was in critical condition late last week with complications from a Brown Recluse spider bite.

Her condition was upgraded Sunday.

## Spearman

### Miller competes in marathon

Jocelyn Miller, a science teacher and coach at Pearland Middle School in Houston, TX., recently competed in the 10K HP Houston Marathon.

Miller, who ran 13 miles, finished 202nd out of 2998 in her division. Over 17,000 runners competed, raising over \$750,000 for charities.

Jocelyn is married to Dillon Miller, and is the daughter of Kitty and Frank Edwards of Spearman.

### Choir participates in contest

The junior high choir solo and ensemble contest will be held January 22nd at Tascosa High School in Amarillo.

The high school choir solo and ensemble contest will be held January 29th at West Texas A&M University in Canyon.

### Chamber banquet nears

The Spearman Chamber of Commerce Annual Banquet will be held on January 22nd at 6 p.m. at The O'Loughlin Center.

### Practice stock show slated

The Spearman practice stock show will be held Sunday, January 30, at 2:00 p.m. at the Spearman County Barn.

# Manor Matters

by Merry Sparks

Thank you to the Apostolic Faith Church for bringing services to the Manor on the 9th. We appreciate you sharing your time with us.

Monday morning was the usual exciting time of greeting old friends and catching up on the latest news as we do our chores. We had Newscurrents in the morning and Happy Hour after lunch.

Thank you to Xi Zeta for hosting bingo Monday night! We appreciate your time and the Residents enjoy it immensely.

Tuesday morning was filled with a fun exercise program. After lunch we had a wonderful program hosted by Margaret Novak. She brought many of her carved soapstone articles to share with us and presented a very interesting program on soapstone.

It is interesting that soapstone can be found in all parts of the world. Many of the items were very intricately carved and all were beautiful.

Thank you to Margaret Novak. We appreciate her for her sharing nature. She has brought many stuffed animals for our Crazy Bunko days as well as cards from none other than one of Donald Trump's casinos. Margaret has been a great blessing to us.

Wednesday morning we were blessed to have Anne Whitaker back with us to lead Bible Study. Thank you, Anne! We appreciate her faithfulness and sweet nature.

The afternoon was filled with busy hands working on the hearts for the soldiers and also on teddy bears for the kindergarten classes. They will come to visit for Valentine's Day.

Thursday morning we played a couple of games that we compete in at the Olympics. It is time to

start practicing up for our own local olympic games that we will have in March.

Thank you to the auxiliary for hosting bingo after lunch. They are such a special group of people that give and give of themselves. Not only that but we received the new popcorn maker that the auxiliary donated to us today too! Thank you for the popcorn maker!

Friday morning was filled with music, exercise and fun during Musercise.

After Musercise, we loaded the buses up and went to the Panhandle Diner & Deli for lunch. A total of 21 of us went out to eat. Thank you to Claudine Laxton, Judy Yarbrough, and Flavil Ayers for the excellent help. Thank you to the Diner for such excellent service and thank you to Bob Davis for several of the lunches. (It was so very cold or we would have had many more residents to go.) All that went certainly enjoyed themselves. The food was good and the visiting with the public was great!!

Friday afternoon was spent popping corn of course and playing skip-bo and dominoes. We had some good games going and everyone could smell popcorn popping. Sacks of popcorn were handed out up and down the hallways.

Saturday afternoon we had a spirited game of Crazy Bunko. We had a lot of prizes but as usual there was one special one that everyone seemed to be going after. It changed hands at least 10 times before it finally landed in the hands of the Resident that picked it the first time. That was so funny. The game is on a time limit and when the time is up the Resident keeps the prizes that are in their possession at the end of the game.

We had a great week!

## Words from Faith & Grace

by Cecil R. Biggers, Parish Lay Minister Candidate

Faith Lutheran/Grace Presbyterian are liturgical churches, which means that we divide the year by a liturgical calendar which allows us to relive/contemplate the major events in Jesus' life in real time. We have recently had our celebration of Christ's nativity and for some of us, our Christmas decorations were up until January 5th (the "12th day of Christmas") and the start of the season of Epiphany (this for the benefit of my neighbors who I'm sure thought I was just slow in getting my decorations down).

At Faith & Grace, we are celebrating the season of Epiphany. Epiphany lasts from January 6 through February 8th. Epiphany is the Season of "AHA" or discovery. It celebrates Jesus' manifestation of himself as God. Our Altar and banners are draped in white and gold for Epiphany to celebrate the Light of the Star of Bethlehem and the entrance into the world of the Light of Christ. The first Sunday in Epiphany celebrates the visit of the Magi to the Infant Jesus; the second Sunday in Epiphany celebrates the Baptism of our Lord. Other special days in this season are the "Presentation" celebrated on February 2nd which celebrates Mary's presentation of the infant Jesus at the temple and offering of the traditional sacrifice of the poor. The last Sunday after the Epiphany is "Transfiguration" Sunday a revealing event for the apostles and for us.

May you experience the "discovery" of something wonderful, the love of Christ, during this season of "AHA!"

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## Baby Shower

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## Jack Owen Pipkin

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 Jared Johnson & Kandi Keltz - Feb. 12, Morse  
 Brandea Hicks & Mark Allen - Feb. 19  
 Loryn & Brady Woolley - March 12  
 Kortney Henton & Eric Klein - March 19  
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 Loryn (Showalter) & Brady Woolley - 3/12  
 Kortney Henton & Eric Klein - 3/19  
 Jill Clement and Steve Crum  
 Jennifer Carter & Sammy Renteria  
 Jennifer Revercomb & Will Evans  
 Anna Leigh Mareno & Tom Kirk  
 Lacey (Miesner) & Stephen Salgado

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# Meetings and Minutes

## Spearman Economic Development Corporation approves funding for dairy farm in Hutchinson County

The Spearman Economic Development Corporation (SEDCorp) met on Wednesday, October 20, 2004.

Members Present: Brian Gillispie, Charles Elliott, Mary Dixon, Clay Schnell, Jackie Pearson, Charles Shieldknight, Keith Hight and City Manager Ed Hansen.

Visitors Present: Steve Bloomberg, Chief Executive Officer of the Borger EDC, Rick Harrell, Danny Parker and Cheryl Gibson-Salgado.

Call to Order. President Gillispie declared a quorum present and called the meeting to order at 10:10 a.m.

### CONSIDERATION OF KLEMMER FARMS FUNDING REQUEST

President Gillispie stated that Mr. Klemme was seeking an SBA 504 loan of \$1.5 million from Interstate Bank. This loan program requires a 15% equity injection from the borrower or \$225,000. The 15% equity must be available at the time of the loan application. From a review of Jon's financial statement in addition to Clay Schnell's due diligence with Klemme's current bank in New York, it appears as if Jon's equity is tied up in the real estate and other assets he currently owns. President Gillispie stated that the problem was that the equity needed to be in place before the loan application, and that Jon's equity was not available until all of his assets in NY were sold.

Steve Bloomberg reported that the Borger EDC has voted to grant Jon Klemme \$45,000 with a claw-back clause of three (3) years and loan him \$57,500 payable within

180 days of the beginning of construction. This funding was contingent upon Spearman EDC's approval, approval of Jon's loan with Interstate/SBA, and proper due diligence concerning the collateral securing their \$57,500 loan. It was decided between the Borger EDC and Spearman EDC to draw up an interlocal agreement concerning the partnering in this request, and that Borger and Spearman share in the legal expenses.

After discussion was held, motion was made by Elliott to offer Mr. Klemme the same package as the Borger EDC with the addition of a second lien on his Hutchinson County property when it was purchased. This motion contingent upon Mr. Klemme receiving approval of his loan, verification of both his collateral values and debt owed. Second by Shieldknight. Motion unanimously approved. The meeting was adjourned at 11:57 a.m.

## SEDCorp approves Booster Club, Chamber funding

The Spearman Economic Development Corporation (SEDCorp) met on Wednesday, November 10, 2004.

Members Present were Brian Gillispie, Charles Elliott, Mary Dixon, Clay Schnell, Jackie

Pearson, Charles Shieldknight, Keith Hight and City Manager Ed Hansen.

Visitors Present were Joe Vanderburg and Kim Brock of the Spearman Lynx and Lynette Booster Club; Jason Cantrell, President of the Chamber of Commerce and Cheryl Gibson-Salgado.

President Gillispie declared a quorum present and called the meeting to order at 10:14 a.m.

### CONSIDER A FUNDING REQUEST FROM THE SPEARMAN BOOSTER CLUB

Joe Vanderburg and Kim Brock were present to request from the Spearman Booster funds in the amount of \$2,575.68 to reimburse their non-Club, profit organization for radio equipment purchased in order to broadcast the football and basketball games, school programs and other community functions since the radio station closed.

After discussion was held, motion was made by Pearson to grant \$2,575.68 to the Booster Club for reimbursement of the radio broadcast equipment. Second by Elliott. Motion unanimously carried.

### CONSIDER CONTRACTS WITH THE SPEARMAN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

The Spearman SEDCorp consideration of the following contracts with the Spearman Chamber of

Commerce: a) Share expenses of speaker for Chamber Banquet; and b) Executive Director of Chamber to perform economic development activities.

a) Keith Hight requested cost share of \$1,500 for a speaker at the Chamber Banquet this year.

Motion was made by Dixon and second by Elliott to pay \$750.00 for SEDCorp's

a) Share expenses of speaker share for a banquet speaker. Motion unanimously carried.

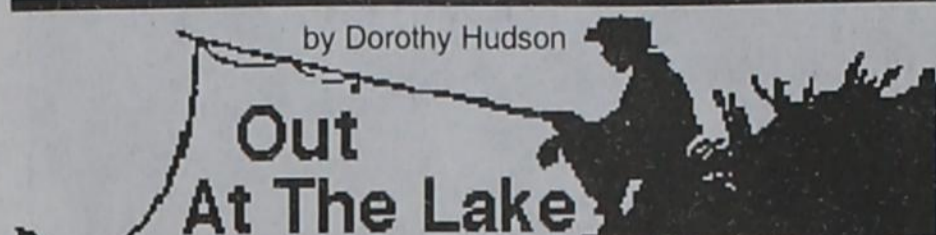
b) SEDCorp praised Keith Hight for a job well done during the last six (6) months working as a part-time EDC Director. Chamber President Jason Cantrell stated that Keith's SEDCorp duties had not interfered with his Chamber duties and were willing to extend the current contract for twelve months.

With Keith Hight agreeing to perform the duties, motion was made by Shieldknight to enter into the same agreement with the Chamber of Commerce for Executive Director Keith Hight to perform EDC Director duties part-time. Second by Elliott. Motion unanimously carried.

The SEDCorp board approved the minutes of the September 22 and October 20, 2004 minutes as written, and approved the treasury report.

The next meeting date was set for December 15, 2004.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:31 a.m.



Lake Level—January 17, 2005—33.32 feet (-0.10)

Jim reported a quiet week and not much news. He and his crew finished changing the office and manager's home over to gas from the West Texas line rather using than the propane of former years.

Ramon saw a bobcat near the Derington home.

Zach Fisher emailed thanks. Excerpts follow: "Just a note to thank you for asking about the rabbit drives in your 'Out At The Lake' column. I've enjoyed reading the responses and seeing the picture in the newspaper...."

"Mom had her 91st birthday on the 12th of January and is doing fine. She is the bingo champ at the convalescent center and continues to take a nickel from her great grandsons playing cards every week."

It has been over 10 years since Helen Fisher and I started this column.

Helen had grown up in a newspaper family as her father J. H. Buchanan traded his Oklahoma homestead for the Hansford Headlight in 1911, and then moved his wife, Mary, and three little boys to Old Hansford. Twin girls were born at their new home in Texas and then in 1914 Helen joined the family. In all the Buchanans had ten children.

Helen will correct me if I'm wrong, but I think her mother made a hand at the newspaper many of the years she was raising her family. Then later after the newspaper was sold, and three years were spent in California, she became County Treasurer. Before long though she was back working at the Spearman Reporter and continued until near her death in 1964.

I have been wondering if she spent as much time as a journalist as did Helen, who wrote her column until after she was 90 years old.

Happy Birthday, Helen.

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## Texas crop and weather report

The following specific livestock, crop and weather conditions were reported by Panhandle Extension directors: Soil moisture is short to surplus with most areas reporting adequate to surplus. Temperatures were above normal early in the week but are now normal. Wet fields continue to keep field activities on hold. Little progress was made harvesting remaining sorghum fields; harvest is about 97 percent complete. Wheat is rated poor to excellent with most areas reporting fair to good. No insect pest activity was reported. Range conditions vary from poor to good with most areas reporting fair. Cattle are rated fair to good; muddy conditions are causing some problems. Supplemental feeding is under way.

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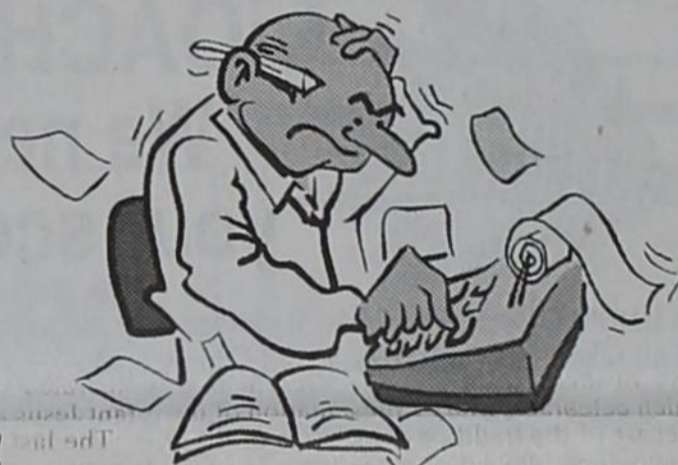
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# 2nd Six Weeks Honor Rolls

## Spearman ISD

### All A's

Christina Cano, Colton Cator, Daniela Enriquez, Michael Fox, Griffin George, Brennan Greene, Payton Harrell, Zianya Hernandez, Jessica Holquin, Bryan Meza, Enrique Ortiz, Trea Rice, Moises Rosendo, Logan Sowder, Taylor Varnon, Ellana Arzate, Janak Bhakta, Lupita Flores, Sheridan Hagerman, Abigail Holquin, Haylee Miesner, Julio Morales, Trent White, Jarek Wood, Alexis Alvarez, Lupe Briseno, Jaci Burgin, Lellani Carrasco, Kevin Castillo, Edgar Coral, Daniela Garcia, Serena Harbour, Austin Holquin, Dustyn Kelley, Hunter Kenney, Angela Mendoza, Trace Patterson, Cristal Pena, Shelby Sasser

### 2nd Grade

Ruben Frayre, Tyann Hight, Zane Hughes, Cayton Limbocker, Hannah Patterson, Nikki Rindlisbacher, Brigitte Vargas, Madison Price, Daniel Avila, Gabby Bravy, Trey Bridwell, Beau Brown, Cristina Campos, Makayla Durfee, Cheyenne Evans, Susy Flores, Peyton Garnett, Emily Miser, Jayme Pack, Marshall Thornton, Enrique Vargas, Vanessa Vela, Tanner Baird, Anne Marie Comp, Chanz Garcia, Slade Garnett, Israel Hernandez, J.D. Reed, Randy Rojas, Brock Schroeder, Loren Temple, Brooke Walker, Callie Yarbrough

### 3rd Grade

Vanessa Briseno, Eulises Mendoza, Alicia Brickman, Seth Carson, Jackson Davis, Kim Gibson, Ryan Schnell, Jerry Tang, Juan Garcia, Alec Ceniceros, James Sowder, Sydney McDonald, Katie Miesner, Christian Ortiz, Carson Pearson, Alison Smith, Connor Willimon

### 4th Grade

Junior Garcia, Alex Mendoza, Paige Pierson, Audy Reed, Allison Brown, Crystal Cantu, Katy Miser, Yadi Villa, Octavia Villareal, Halli Mans, Cynthia Mendoza, Mabry Sutterfield, Jake Willimon, Kyla Walker

### 5th Grade

Morgn Ashmore, Chandler Short, Bryce Jarvis, Lauren Patterson, Anna Sowder, Ivette Briseno, Gately Garnett, Jozlynn Haggerman, Brody Hargrove

### 6th Grade

Nikki Boyd, Laura Hernandez, Rolando Munoz, Jessica Pinon, Seth Salgado

### 7th Grade

Tate Batton, Whitney Maestas, Chance Pack

### 8th Grade

Jordan Ashmore, Cha'tae Avila, Ashley Close, Destiny Fisher, Kegan Garnett, Bond Pittman, Tyler Schnell, Haley Smith, Dylan Sumner, Brett Winegarner

### 9th Grade

Blayne Baker, Brittney Bradley, Lizet Camacho, Mattie Davis, Tarryn Dixon, Dane Harbour, Kylee Howard, Clara Kern, Natalie Quintero, Kyla Reed, Elliott Sheets, Tara Shields

### 10th Grade

Eduardo Chairez, Saylee Flowers, Trudy Hart, Emily Hood, Brian Johnson, Jordanna Lozano, Aaron Maestas, Zack Nollner, Mirna Ortiz, Ryan Ramon, Kelcee Rex

### 11th Grade

Katie Baehler, Jessica Brown, Tonya Hart, Sonny Parker, Adriana Pinon, Alejandro Rios, Tabatha Shields, Jordan Short, Lindsey Short, Aleisha Sweat, Si Li Tang, Timberly Thomas, Britta Vanderburg, Steven Vaquera, Abby Winegarner

### 12th Grade

Jeff Brock, Eric Flores, Hoomar Flores, Jessica Freeman, Wayne Gibson, Caleb Gillaspie, Macy Harbour, Daniel Kern, Dana McLaughlin, Mark Navarrete, Gerardo Ruiz, Brodie Savage, Cayla Smith, Mark Thomas

### "A" Average

#### 1st Grade

Ariana Coffey, Haley Pledger, Suzanna Vargas, MArlyn Almanza, Maria Tarango, Pedro Vera, Dellaneyra Duarte

#### 2nd Grade

Alan Biggers, Belen Robledo, Alex Valles, Tristyn Close, Omar Mendoza, Jose Corralejo, Juan Davila, Rubi Estrada, Clarisa Hernandez, Leo Holquin

#### 3rd Grade

Christal Coffey, Stephania Hernandez, Lalo Jurado, Gena Hargrove, Miranda Hargus, Kelsea Miller, Kathrine Soliz, Klarissa Vela, Aron Mendoza, Richard Jarvis

#### 4th Grade

Adriana Corralejo, Arik Mires, Maria Pena, Alfredo Rosendo, Rene Pena, Lonnie Born, Andrew Landers, Itzel Meza, Anthony Ochoa, Eryn Saenz

#### 5th Grade

Rubi Garcia, Erik Lopez, Lexi Batton, Cassie Bowers, Samantha Hargus, Katelyn Kizziar, Audrey Loya, Blayne Pack, Vikki Temple, Iris Villa, Veronica Frayre, Stefan Cook, Malory Martin, Halee Neese, Janneth Terrazas, Cassidy Odegaard, Blanca Rosendo, Jose Salazar, Justin Rindlisbacher, Cristina Vargas, Margarita Ibarra, Tylo Farrar, Brent Henson

#### 6th Grade

Jessica Bueno, Edgar Castillo, Jose Mendoza, Tori Sheets, Joselyn Terrazas

#### 7th Grade

Preslee Baker, Suttan Garnett, Zack Hughes, Rosa Ortiz, Andi Scarborough

#### 8th Grade

Sabrina Cantu, Courtney Chambers, D'Dee DeLaRosa, Chase Farrar, Jennifer Perez, Victoria Renteria, Chasity Thomas, Elena Vargas, T.J. Worley

### All A-1B

#### 9th Grade

Kimberly Bergan, Callie Cazares, Jessica Diaz, Colby Odegaard, Kendall Schneider, Meagen Smith

#### 10th Grade

Sara Barnes, Brynr Garnett, Collin Gillaspie, Cara Gwin, Sharon Haney, Karina Hernandez, Lance Huddlestone, Wilhma Macias, Stuart Martin, Anthony Renteria

#### 11th Grade

Maribel Moreno, Brock Town

#### 12th Grade

Kaley Barnes, Jessica Blan, Rossilyn Bulls, Christen Ferguson, Ashley Hernandez, Lorena Lopez, Adriana Mendoza-Pinon, Justin Parker, Miranda Paul, Katie Reed, Clele Vanderburg, Jeanette Vasquez, Tracey Worley

## Gruver ISD

### Honor Roll

#### 1st Grade

Adam Casdorff, Ady Garcia, Karsten Irwin, Nicholas Key, Kennedy King, Hadlee Spivey, Kolt Casaus, Aaron Felderhoff, Trenton Finley, Justin Moreno, Nick Rivera, Ulysses Valerde

#### 2nd Grade

Jacob Collier, Serena Diaz, Vanessa Garcia, Dax Haight, Reagan Haynes, Bailey Rae Poer, Bailey Stedje, Carson Williams, Rayel Anderson, Tania Bernal, Michaela Davis, Israel Flores, patty Garcia, Thaily Martinez, Mason McLain, Jenny Smith, Megan Sparks

#### 3rd Grade

Beau Blankenship, Dillon Payne, Rachel Teal, Manuel Borunda, Zoe Cantrell, Maggie Gaspar, Cesar Mendoza, Coley Ruebush, Travis Stedje, Madi Teal

#### 4th Grade

Nikki Beasley, Korbin Irwin, Maggie Key, Alex Logsdon, Damian Pierce, Dallas Reynolds, Flor Soto, Ashley Williams

### All A's

#### 5th Grade

Taylor Felderhoff, Shelley Gibson

#### 6th Grade

Mary Hart, Tony Pena

#### 7th Grade

Katie Gibson, Parker Grotegut, Caleb Miller, Drew Mireles, Megan Stedje

#### 8th Grade

Miles Messer, Lynn Vela

#### 9th Grade

Maydeli Ortiz, Morgan Ross, Tanner Sherrill, Seth Thompson, Abbi Yanke

#### 10th Grade

Sydney Been, Bonnie Frick, Mayra Hernandez, Justin Thompson, Victoria Vela

#### 11th Grade

Timber Barkley, Lindsey Clift, Lanie Graves, Rachelle Holt, Matt Messer, Reid Winger

#### 12th Grade

Cody Mac Been, Brock Irwin, Mark TeBeest, Lucia Trejo, Ben Williams, Ryan Winger

### All A's, 1B

#### 5th Grade

Kaysha Bass, Madison McLain

#### 6th Grade

Mariela Barrera, Justin Bass, Jake Beasley, Cambry Cooper, Jack Karlin, Zach Logsdon, Luis Munoz, Payton Thompson, Shelby Williams

#### 7th Grade

#### 8th Grade

Matt Salazar, Lindsey Mireless

#### 9th Grade

Yadira Garcia, Chandler Miner, Daina Solis, Adriana Soto, Kayla Swink, Emily Williams

#### 10th Grade

#### 11th Grade

Crispin Borunda, Tyler Lane, Miguel Lora, Stephen Salazar, Jessica Schmidt

#### 12th Grade

Sergio Cruz, Blythe Finley, Patricia Gaspar, Laina Grotegut, Jessica Montgomery, Brittanie Osbourne, Bailey Reid, Gabriela Rosales, Lance Williams

## Pringle-Morse CISD

### Principal's Honor Roll

#### 1st Grade

Fabian Canales, Hunter Hopkins, Ryanne Howell, Kate Lieb, Lupita Melendez, Elia Speck

#### 2nd Grade

#### 3rd Grade

#### 4th Grade

Gena Gillispie, Jace Lane, Molly Lieb

#### 5th Grade

Kaysha Allen, Reese Clark, Hannah Speck

#### 6th Grade

#### 7th Grade

Maci Forrest, Haden Hart, Jesus Lopez, Sol Pittman

#### 8th Grade

Mary Beth Hargis, Molly Zimmer

#### 9th Grade

#### 10th Grade

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#### 13th Grade

#### 14th Grade

#### 15th Grade

#### 16th Grade

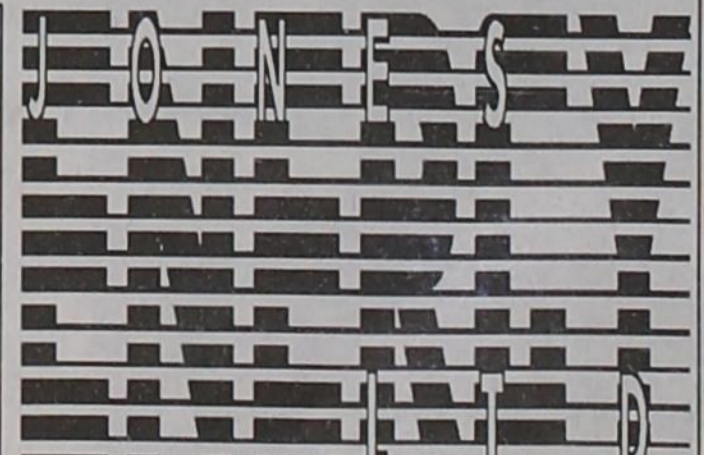
#### 17th Grade

#### 18th Grade

#### 19th Grade

#### 20th Grade

Congratulations to these students on their academic achievements!





Three Gruver players were named to the all-tournament team at the Hugoton Invitational Tournament. Noted for their superior play were Cass Cooper, Laina Grotgut, and Matt Messer.

# Basketball Hoopla

by Harletta Carthel and Catherine Smith

## Hounds stay perfect, Lady Hounds drop one in district

The Hounds picked up wins over Booker and White Deer last week to up their district record to 3-0 while the Lady Hounds toppled Booker and then fell to White Deer to put their district record at 2-1.

With two tough games this week, Stratford, Tuesday, January 18 and Sunray, January 21, Gruver fans anticipate a week of basketball mania.

### Hounds

District Game (1/14/04)  
Hounds 53, Booker 27  
Williams 10, Cody Mac Been 9, Brock Irwin 2, Reid Winger 6, Tyler Lane 10, Matt Messer 9, Cass Cooper 3.

The Hounds established a solid lead early with a halftime score of 23-4, and coasted to a big victory.

### District Game (1/14/04)

Gruver 58, White Deer 38  
Brock Irwin 1, Lance Williams 5, Cass Cooper 18 (six 3-pointers), Stephen Salazar 10, Matt Messer 13, Cody Mac Been 7, Reid Winger 4.

While the Bucks lead 26-25 at halftime, the Hounds geared up to take a ten-point lead at the end of the third quarter, and a twenty-point win.

Cass Cooper had his most prolific game of the season, scoring 18 points, all three-pointers. Hounds Messer and Salazar both scored in double figures.

### Lady Hounds

District Game (1/7/04)  
Lady Hounds 44, Vega 39  
The Lady Hounds opened district with a win on the Lady Horns home turf. Lauren Urban with 22 points led the Lady Hounds in her highest-scoring game of the year.

### District Game (1/11/04)

Lady Hounds 54, Booker 47  
Lindsey Clift 8, Lauren Urban 14, Laina Grotgut 12 (four 3-pointers), Blythe Finley 2, Laci Fitzgerald 4, Liz Lopez 11, Rachelle Holt 8, Laci Fitzgerald 2.

After trailing the Lady Kiows 25-26 at halftime, the Lady Hounds blew the game open in the third quarter by scoring 18 points while holding Booker to 5 points.

### Lynxettes

Lynx make it 4-0 in district play  
The Lynxettes continued their district winnings with a victory over Sanford Fritch on Jan. 11th

and Panhandle on Jan. 14th. The Lynxettes were tied with the Sanford-Fritch Eagles going into half-time, but were able to pull out a 49-40 win by outscoring the Eagles in the third and fourth quarters.

The Lynxettes increased their district record to 5-1 with a 64-45 win over Panhandle. The Lynxettes led at half-time with a score of 29-23. They outscored the Panthers by nine points in the third quarter and two points in the fourth.

### District Game (1/11/04)

Lynxettes 49, Sanford-Fritch 40  
Lindsey Short 7, Kelcee Rex 12, Saylee Flowers 9, Kendall Schneider 2, Tonya Hart 8, Jordanna Lozano 11

Coach's Comments: "We did not play our best defense, but give Sanford-Fritch credit for that. We played better in the second half and came away with the win."

### District Game (1/14/04)

Lynxettes 64, Panhandle 45  
Lindsey Short 8, Britta Vanderburg 9, Kelcee Rex 14, Saylee Flowers, 16, Kendall Schneider 1, Kylie Howard 6, Tonya Hart 6, Jordanna Lozano 4  
Coach's Comments: "We found a way to win in Panhandle, that is always a good thing!"

### Lynx

Lynx make it 4-0 in district play

### District Game (1/11/04)

Lynx 49, Sanford-Fritch 44  
The Spearman Lynx defeated the Sanford-Fritch Eagles 49-44 on Tuesday, Jan. 11th in over-time.

The Eagles led 22-16 at the half, but the Lynx came back to tie the score at 42 at the end of regular play. The Lynx were able to pull away with the win of 49-44.

Leading the Lynx in scoring were Lance Huddleston with 16 and Caleb Gillapie with 14.

### District Game (1/14/04)

Lynx 54, Panhandle 51  
The Lynx continued their winning ways with a 54-51 win over

Panhandle Friday night.

Coming from a 28-26 deficit at halftime, the Lynx took a five point lead at the end of the third quarter and held on to win a squeaker. (This win ended Panhandle's winning streak at 41 and its homecourt win streak at 28 games.)

Jeff Brock with 19 and Lance Huddleston with 16 led the Lynx in scoring.

### JV Lynxettes

Lynxettes 48, Sanford-Fritch 35  
Amy Brown 2, Tara Shields 2, Christy Lang 10, Kyla Reed 5, Brittney Bradley 2, Callie Cazares 9, Clara Kern 5, Sara Barnes 2, Trudy Hart 11

Coach's Comments: "We played for three quarters as well as we've played all year. We had a defensive lapse in the fourth quarter. Good game."

Lynxettes 39, Panhandle 53  
Tara Shields 11, Mattie Davis 3, Christy Lang 7, Kyla Reed 4, Brittney Bradley 5, Callie Cazares 1, Clara Kern 8  
Coach's Comments: "We have to

be more aggressive with the ball - draw more fouls. Panhandle beat us running the floor, which resulted in too many easy baskets. We have to keep them off of the free-throw line next time. They have a good team."

### 8th Grade Lynx

January 13-15  
Spearman Tournament  
Lynx 28, Gruver 18  
Lynx 55, Dalhart 28  
Lynx 44, Borger 38  
The Spearman Eighth grade boys were the champions of the Spearman Tournament.

1/17/05  
Lynx 39, Canadian 40

### 7th Grade Lynx

January 13-15  
Spearman Tournament  
Lynx 41, Gruver 54  
Lynx 24, Dalhart 33  
Lynx 48, Perryton 33

1/17/05  
Lynx 23, Canadian 17

## THIS WEEK IN HISTORY

provided by Virginia Scott

Monday, January 17th was Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, observed in celebration of his life and birthday. Ronald Reagan declared the third Monday in January a legal federal holiday in 1986, commemorating Dr. King's birthday. Previously, January 15th had been observed as a public holiday for many years in 27 states and Washington, DC. This is the only federal holiday commemorating an African-American.

In December of 1955, Martin Luther King, Jr. had just received his doctorate degree in theology. He had moved to Montgomery, Alabama to preach at a Baptist Church. He observed that African-Americans had to ride in the back of public buses and he knew that this law violated their rights. He organized and led a boycott of the public busses and after 382 days the Supreme Court declared that the Alabama state segregation law was unconstitutional.

In 1957, Dr. King founded the Southern Christian Leadership Conference and moved back to his hometown of Atlanta, Georgia. This was the beginning of the Civil Rights Movement. It took until 1964 to achieve the passage of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, which guaranteed equal rights in housing, public facilities, voting and public schools.

Dr. King's most famous speech, "I Have a Dream," occurred on August 28, 1963 during a march on Washington, D.C. It was attended by more than 250,000 people.

Dr. King was assassinated in 1968 after winning the Nobel Peace Prize for leading non-violent demonstrations. The world grieved the loss of this man of peace.

I hope you celebrated this day in observance of peace and love. "We will not resort to violence. We will not degrade ourselves with hatred. Love will not be returned with hate."

Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr

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Spearman ISD will hold a **Public Hearing** on February 14, 2005 to solicit the public's input on the District's intent to apply for a *First Day of Instruction Waiver* to begin the first day of instruction for students on August 15, 2005 for the 2005-2006 school year.

**DATE:** Monday, February 14, 2005

**TIME:** 7:00 p.m.

**PLACE:** Spearman High School Library

The public is invited to attend this meeting. If for some reason you are unable to attend this meeting and you would like to have your opinion considered, please send your written response to the following address: ATTN: President of the Board of Trustees, Spearman ISD, 403 East 11th Avenue, Spearman, TX 79081.

Feel free to contact the Superintendent's Office at 659-3233 if you have questions or want additional information about the 2005-2006 Instructional Calendar.

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**FOR SALE: 702 S. Haney, Spearman** - 2-3BR, 2 1/2B, 2CG, new roof, new furnace. Call 659-2000. TFN(01-06-05)B

**FOR SALE: 808 Front Street, Gruver** - Nice 1999 Fleetwood 4BR, 2B doublewide home on six city lots with carport, horse barn and pens. Call Ben or Kerry Poer at (806) 733-5532 or (806) 736-5554. 4(1-13-05)B

**FOR SALE: 205 N. Snider, Spearman** - 2BR, 2B, living room, den, formal dining area, garage/game room, hot tub, 2 storage buildings w/6 acres of land. Call 659-3665. TFN(1-13-05)B

**FOR SALE: 719 S. Dessen, Spearman** - 3BR, 1 1/2B, 2CG, nice kitchen w/lots of storage, vaulted ceilings, separate utility, large storage shed, central heat/air, large corner lot, sprinkler system, well landscaped. Call 659-2409 or 886-9344. TFN(1-20-05)B

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**FOR RENT/LEASE**

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**WANTED**

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Attorney for the Estate of  
Ruth Mary Whitson  
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Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of Bertha Mildred Brown, Deceased, were issued on the November 17, 2004, in Docket No. 2446, pending in the County Court of Hansford County, Texas, to: Douglas Lee Brown and Wesley Thomas Brown. All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them within the time and in the manner prescribed by law. Cecil R. Biggers Attorney at Law PO Box 342 Spearman, Texas 79081 DATED the 14th day of January, 2005.

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# Neighborhood electric vehicle, motor assisted scooter information



The City of Gruver recently passed an ordinance regulating the operation of motor-assisted scooters on the streets and rights of way.

The 78th Texas Legislature authorized municipalities to either prohibit or regulate the operation of motor-assisted scooters, and the City Council of the City of Gruver has determined that the regulation of use and operation of motor-assisted scooters on the highways, alleys, paths and trails is necessary in the interest of safety.

The City Council has investigated and determined it would be advantageous, beneficial and in the

best interest to the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of Gruver to prevent potential traffic hazards and safety hazards resulting from the use of motor-assisted scooters. Therefore they passed an ordinance outlining the rules and regulations they deemed necessary.

The Gruver Police Department held training programs at the elementary and junior high this week, and copies of the ordinance were given to each student.

The regulations and limitations placed on the motor-assisted scooter in this ordinance do not apply to those operators of certain mobility

devices as outlined in the Texas Transportation Code 542.009 "Operators of Certain Mobility Devices" which are mobility devices for persons with physical disabilities.

The City of Spearman does not currently have an ordinance specifically regulating the operation of these scooters.

## Texas Transportation Code

The 78th Legislature addressed the issue of new transportation technology. The law now recognizes motor assisted scooters and Neighborhood Electric Vehicles for limited street usage. The law can be found in the Texas Transportation Code (TRC) as Subchapter D, Sections 551.301 and 551.302. Subchapter D became effective on September 1, 2003.

In general, any traffic law which applies to bicycles also applies to motor assisted scooters. That means the operator must obey the usual traffic laws that bicycle operators must obey such as speed limit, signal turns, etc. (TRC 551.101(a)). However, TRC 551.302(d) states that some laws that apply to a motor vehicle do not apply to these scooters. This means that:

- the scooter operator doesn't need a driver license,
- the scooter operator doesn't need liability insurance,
- the scooter doesn't have to be registered or have a license plate,
- the scooter doesn't have to carry a low speed vehicle emblem; and,
- the scooter doesn't have to be inspected.

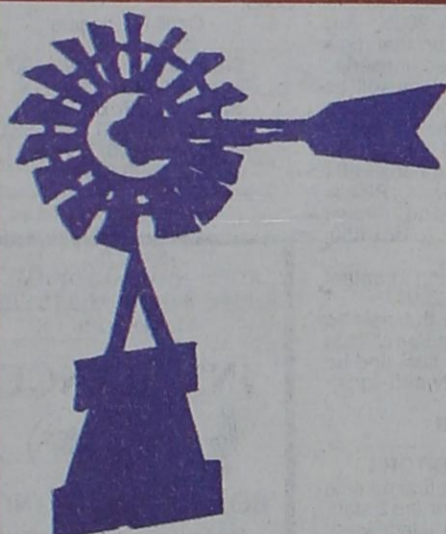
Cities and counties may prohibit operation of these scooters on particular streets or highways for safety reasons, as can the Texas Department of Transportation (TXDOT).

Along with the "motor assisted scooter," the Legislature legalized the "neighborhood electric vehicle." The "neighborhood electric vehicle" is any vehicle subject to Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard 500. They generally resemble a golf cart, but are larger-usually capable of carrying four passengers-with a top speed between 20 M.P.H. and 25 M.P.H. Vehicles such as the John Deere Gator and Kawasaki Mule are not neighborhood electric vehicles because they are not subject to Federal Standard 500 in that they are designed to primarily carry cargo rather than passengers. Like the motor assisted scooter, neighborhood electric vehicles can be driven on any street or highway with a posted speed limit of 35 M.P.H. or less, and may cross streets or highways with a higher posted speed limit. However, unlike the motor assisted scooter, a neighborhood electric vehicle must be registered and have a license plate. The operator must have a driver license and the vehicle or operator must be covered with the required liability insurance or acceptable substitute. In addition, these vehicles meet the TRC Section 547.001 definition of a "slow moving vehicle," and must carry a low speed vehicle emblem. Finally, as with the motor assisted scooter, a city or county may prohibit their operation on a street or highway for safety reasons, as can TXDOT.

### City of Gruver Rules & Regulations for Motor Assisted Scooters, Pocket Rockets and Mini Choppers

1. You must be at least 8 years old to ride.
2. You must wear an approved helmet at all times.
3. You may not ride after dark.
4. You may not ride on any restricted street. Hwy 15, Hwy 136 also known as Main St., 4th St also known as Hwy 84, and Broadway St.
5. Only 1 person may ride at any time.
6. You must obey all yield and stop signs.
7. You do not have the right of way when leaving a parking lot.

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