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## At A Glance

### Tests Scheduled For July

The 2000 Summer TAAS (Texas Assessment of Academic Skills) and the TEAMS (Texas Assessment of Minimum Skills) exit level tests will be given in July at Spearman High School, 403 East 11th Street, for 10th-, 11th-, and 12th-grade students as well as out-of-school students who have not passed some or all portions of those tests.

Dates for the TAAS are: Writing, July 11th; Math, July 12th; Reading, July 13th. The test will be given in the high school teacher's workroom at 9 a.m.

Dates for TEAMS are: Math, July 12th, English Language Arts, July 13th.

Only students who are not currently enrolled in Spearman High School who still need to pass the TAAS or TEAMS to fulfill graduation requirements must preregister for the tests.

Registration packets for those wishing to take the TEAMS are available from the Region XVI Education Service Center. Testing site addresses and times are listed in the directory included in each registration packet. No registration packet is necessary for TAAS.

### Moreno Honored For Academic Achievement

The United States Achievement Academy recently announced that Maribel A. Moreno of Spearman has been recognized for academic achievement as a United States National Honor Roll Award winner.

Maribel, who attends Spearman Junior High, will appear in the United States Achievement Academy Official yearbook, which is published nationally.

"Recognizing and supporting our youth is more important than ever before in America's history. Certainly, United States Achievement Academy winners should be congratulated and appreciated for their dedication to excellence and achievement," said Dr. George Stevens, Executive Director of the United States Achievement Academy.

The USAA National Honor Roll Awards provide honor roll students with many benefits and services and is a great tribute to a student's dedication, talent, and ability.

Maribel is the daughter of Jose and Delores Moreno of Spearman. Her grandparents are Aurora Vela of Spearman and Angela Estrada of Guadalajara, Jalisco Mexico.

### Local Students Receive OBU Awards

Two students from Gruver were honored with Oklahoma Baptist University awards and scholarships this spring.

Ben Harris, '00 graduate, received OBU's outstanding senior in the college of fine arts, music award, and Caleb Harris, sophomore, was awarded the Warren M. and Evalyn Wells Angell Scholarship and the Susan D. Grant Scholarship.

They are the sons of Kenneth and Jean Harris.

OBU, a four-year undergraduate school in Shawnee, Okla., offers degrees in more than 70 majors in the arts and sciences, Christian Service, education, nursing, the fine arts and business. Rated as one of the top 10 regional arts col-

# Hansford County Veterinary Hospital Welcomes Dr. Sweatt

The association of Craig Sweatt, DVM, has been announced by Hansford County Veterinary Hospital.

Dr. Sweatt, a native of Plainview, Texas, received his Bachelor's degree in animal science, his Master's degree in ruminant nutrition, and his doctorate of veterinary medicine degree from Texas A&M University.

Making his home just west of Gruver on Highway 15, Dr. Sweatt is engaged to be married on August 5. His fiancée is Stephanie Armstrong whom he met while both were students at A&M.

Dr. Sweatt states that he is excited to live and work in Hansford County and has already come to appreciate the slower pace of the area as compared to that of the city. While Dr. Sweatt was active in FFA, 4-H, and trapshooting in high school, he confirms that he has had very little time for hobbies or outside interests while pursuing his doctorate. The personable Sweatt adds, however, that he is open for suggestions for a possible hobby.

Beginning duties on June 1, 2000, Sweatt attends to the medical needs of both small and large animals.



Dr. Craig Sweatt removes a cast from Buttercup, a yellow lab, with the help of veterinary technician Tammy Osbourne.

## Boxwell Brothers Lead Local Balloon Release

Hundreds, perhaps thousands of red, white and blue balloons will be released over Spearman, TX later this year as part of a nationwide effort to raise money to build a National World War II Memorial in Washington, DC.

The local release of EPA-approved, biodegradable balloons is being coordinated by Robert S. Boxwell of Boxwell Brothers Funeral Home. The nationwide balloon release will occur at the same time (2:00 p.m., EST), on Veterans Day, November 11, 2000.

Boxwell is encouraging family members and friends to release the \$10 sponsored balloons in the name of a veteran or home front worker. The person's name can be written with paint pen marker on the balloon before it is released. Donations from the balloon release will be used to help build the memorial.

Individuals or organizations interested in making a contribution for a balloon, or working on the balloon release project, should contact Boxwell at Boxwell Brothers Funeral Home.

Although over 16 million served in uniform and millions more supported the war effort at home, there is no national memorial to World War II. In 1993, congress tasked the American Battle Monuments Commission with raising funds for, and constructing a National World War II Memorial.

About \$75 million of the \$100 million required to build the Memorial has already been raised. The National Funeral Directors Association has pledged to raise \$5 million of the remaining \$25 million needed to construct the Memorial. The memorial will feature a "Registry of Remembrances" database that will include the names of any American, veteran or worker on the home front, for whom registration forms have been received.

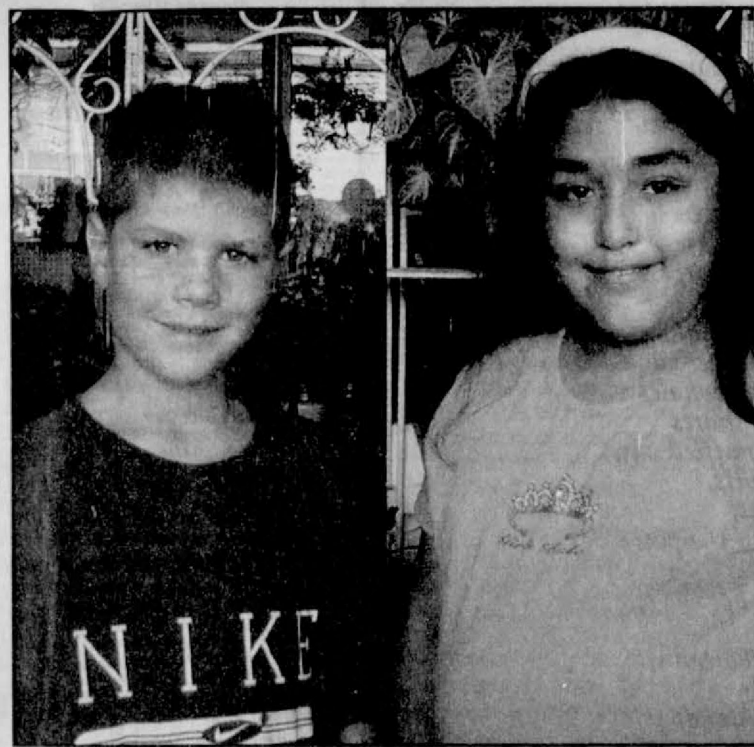
The nationwide balloon release and registration effort is the centerpiece of the NFDA campaign, according to Boxwell. "The NFDA's 'Celebration of Freedom' campaign encourages friends and family members to contribute to the memorial as a way of celebrating their love of a living or deceased veteran, and to remember the sacrifices made by all Americans so that we may all enjoy the benefits of freedom," Boxwell said.

Even if you are not interested in releasing a balloon, there are many other ways to contribute to the nationwide grassroots campaign.

NFDA, the world's oldest and largest funeral service organization, represents over 13,000 funeral directors; it is head-quartered in Brookfield, Wisconsin, a western suburb of Milwaukee.

## Library Bookmark Contest Held

Winners of the 2000 Bookmark Contest at the Hansford County Library are Blayne Schroeder (left), the seven-year-old son of Don and Cayla Schroeder, and Sabrina Cantu (right), the nine-year-old daughter of Edward and Olga Cantu. The winning designs have been sent to Amarillo to be printed and distributed to libraries throughout the panhandle area. The new bookmarks should be in our library sometime this fall. This year's theme was "Invent the Future - READ!"



## 4-H Judging Team Attends State Contest



Hansford County 4-H Livestock Judging Team: (L-R) Melody Shields, Kirby Johnson, Kyna Shields, Brad Holt and Dusty Mackie

Hansford County came in 4th at the State 4-H Livestock Judging Contest, held June 14, 2000 at College Station, TX. Hansford County was one of 24 teams that qualified for the competition. The contest consisted of evaluating 8 classes of livestock (cattle, sheep and swine) and presenting oral reasons for the placings.

Melody Shields led the way to the 4th place finish, winning the impressive award for High Individual Overall. Melody scored a 582 out of a possible 600 to out-distance the second individual, Christian Schroeder of Williamson County, by 9 points.

Hansford County had a consistent day in sheep and swine, but experienced some difficulties in the cattle division. In specific categories, the team placed 3rd in sheep, paced by Melody's third place ranking and Kirby Johnson's tenth place finish. Hansford placed 4th in swine judging with the individual swine awards going to Melody at eighth and Brad Holt at fifteenth. In the

cattle division, Hansford managed a 10th place ranking due to Melody's first place finish in cattle. In the reasons category, Melody placed third, Kirby was twelfth, and Kyna Shields placed twenty-fifth, which was good enough for a 5th place team finish. Also making the trip was fifth man Dustin Mackie (we were at A&M), Coach Bret Burgin and County Extension Agent Burt Williams.

The team is looking forward to next year, since all of the members will be returning. Melody, Kirby and Brad will be seniors, while Kyna and Dustin will be sophomores. The team would like to thank First State Bank for allowing Bret to accompany them to state.

The following are the final results of the team competition: 1st - Mason (1682), 2nd - Williamson (1676), 3rd - Brazos (1652), 4th - Hansford (1642), 5th - Guadalupe (1641), 6th - Grayson (1630), 7th - Fort Bend (1621), 8th - Lynn (1612), 9th - Henderson (1606), and 10th - Runnels (1599).





# Windmills

by Waurayne Cope

Windmills fascinate me! They have...ever since I saw my first one when we moved to the Texas Panhandle, specifically Tulia, in 1956.

There was no need for windmills in my birth state of Tennessee, where I spent my first thirteen years of life. Neither was there a need for windmills in the Hialeah-Miami, Florida area where I completed my freshman and sophomore years of school at Hialeah High. (How my family got to Texas via Tennessee and Florida will be separate chapters in my potential book---if I am ever home for a long enough stretch to indeed write a book! - As a matter of fact, a windmill was instrumental in my Texas mother and my Tennessee dad meeting in the first place, but that explanation can wait until later, too!)

Suffice it to say I have kept a

windmill album ever since we came to the Texas Panhandle in 1956. Now, thanks to Mr. J.B. Buchanan, I am blessed to live right in the heart of a living Windmill Museum right in my hometown of choice ... Spearman, TX, USA. With all the exciting events going on here in Spearman pertaining to the windmills, my family knows it may be ever more difficult to convince me that I need to move closer to physical family!

Yes, something about a windmill strikes a chord deep within me. Something about it that speaks to me of the love, stability, and tranquility of our loving Heavenly Father, His Son, Jesus, and His omnipresent Holy Spirit.

The pipe of a windmill must reach deep into the earth until it finds the water that will satisfy the thirst of human kind. However, physical man must make a response to the mill in

order to have the physical need for water met. The spirit of man must likewise make a positive response to the wooing and prompting of God's Holy Spirit if he or she is to receive the Living Water of God.

For a physically parched and thirsty man, beast, or any form of wild life, water that springs forth from a windmill means life. For a spiritually dry, hungry, and thirsty member of humanity, coming Home to the Living Water of God through faith in His Son, Jesus, one may become fully alive in all three dimensions of mankind ... mind, body, and spirit.

A windmill speaks to me of this kind of spiritual peace. Its creaking is a song of tranquility, as well as of blessing and power. It sings a song of a love and provision that is infinitely greater than humankind. Windmills sing of a time when people, God's ultimate creation, had time...time to rejuvenate, reflect upon, and absorb the wonders, mysteries, and miracles of life. They sing of a time when life was simpler and lifestyles were purer and more

personal. They sing of a time when the majority of humankind took time to be still and to know the Lord is God.

Mr. Buchanan, I am definitely limited as to the technological aspects and workings of a windmill. However, I am one hundred percent blessed by the intrinsic and aesthetic impact they have upon my innermost being. I believe all of humanity, coming Home to the surrounding areas, would join me in wanting to express our great love and appreciation to you and your family for this historic and meaningful collection of windmills. They stand as tall and proud reminders of where we've been, where we are now, and where we aspire to be. I have written this as something of a tribute to you and yours for this wonderful gift of love.

I will conclude with A Windmill Symphony which my daughter, Denise VanMeter, wrote while visiting me here in Spearman after she saw how deeply touched I have been by the blessing your windmill collection has meant to me.



## Engagement Announcement

Jamie Norman of Amarillo, TX and Dennis Norman of Des Moines, IA announce the engagement of their daughter, Lindsay Ann Norman to Kevin Lynn McNett. Kevin is the son of Dean and Sandra McNett, and the grandson of Aubrey and Melba Rasor of Gruver. The couple plans an August 5, 2000 wedding at 7:00 p.m. in Amarillo at Independence Hall. Friends and family are invited to attend.

## Engagement Announcement

Paul King and Rose Leben, together with their family and friends would like to announce their engagement and approaching marriage on Saturday, July 8, 2000, at 7:00 p.m. at the Waka Church of the Brethren, with the Brother Carol Coulter officiating. A reception will follow at the church.

## Southwest Pioneer Windmill Association News

by Dwayne Mitchell

The Southwest Pioneer Windmill Association is readying approximately six mills for erection as part of the SPWA's windmill collection. Three of those mills will be erected at local businesses, one will be located at "Crazy Corners" and the other two will be in the windmill park. One of the six mills is already up at First State Bank, and by the time this column appears, the mills at First National Bank and Crazy Corners may be up.

A very unique mill to be erected at First National Bank is a Woodmanse mill on a cable tower. A Woodmanse mill is not particularly unusual, but the cable tower is. Windmill experts across the nation are unaware of any other cable towers as the towers were somewhat fragile and were not practical so they were not used often or for long. The tower will draw the interest of windmillers all across America and will be the focus of much attention at the Windmillers' Trade Fair in 2002.

The cable tower came to the SPWA from the Oklahoma Panhandle. Several inquiries have been made but no manufacturer has been found.

The tower and mill were erected in Texas County in the SE 1/2 of Section 20, T-2N, R 19, which is almost exactly 20 miles due north of Waka. The tower was erected by Mr. Warren Shorb "Warmie" on a home-stead that he filed on in 1906 near Cottonwood Draw, 3 miles east of Range. Range is on the Palo Duro Creek 6 to 7 miles south of where it flows into the North Canadian River and about 15 miles north of Lake Palo Duro.

The windmill is remembered by Ray Phelps of Spearman as being on the farm site in the late 20's or early 30's. The mill and tower were abandoned and unused since sometime during the late 30's or early 40's.

The wheel was off the mill since WW II years.

Upon the death of Warren Shorb's son Ronald in 1996, the mill and tower were given to the SPWA by the executor of the estate, Ray Shorb, Jr., now deceased.

Origin of the tower and its manufacturer are all lost in the past. Mr. Warren Shorb's brother Ezra operated a hardware store in Liberal, Kansas, from 1911-1956 so it is an educated guess that the tower was sold by his store, but the wholesaler to that hardware, Blish-Mize of Atchison, Kansas, has no record of supplying it to Shorb Hardware. However, the tail of the mill had "Sold by Jackson Hardware of Guymon, Ok," so it is a possibility also that the tower was sold there.

A neighbor of Mr. Ronald Shorb had been told that a second tower had been sold, but no one knows when or where.

Mr. J. B. Buchanan, Burl Buchanan, Roger Buchanan and Dwayne Mitchell went to move the tower in the spring of 1997. Much to their surprise, the wheel was located at the base of the tower, and the tail was leaning against an old building.

The head was brought to H & H Water Well and restored to working condition. As far as is known, this is the original head on the tower.

So what you will see at First National Bank is a piece of genuine local-color history. The old mill has stood in silent witness to the scenes of three quarters of a century. A church house is within the section that it was located on, and "Sixteen," a one-room school, was located a short distance from the mill site. A family lived and prospered under its shadow and drank from its water.

The land home-steaded by the Shorbs was sold in the spring of 1997, and the mill came to Spearman to reside, hopefully for another 75 years.

## The Windmill Symphony

by Denise Cope VanMeter

The windmill blades slowly shift. The concert begins. I hear the bass of the viola. The oboes and clarinets join in, gradually increasing the volume and picking up the tempo. Alto and tenor parts blend in and add harmony. My hair blows softly around my face as I welcome the cool night breeze and listen to the calm prairie music.

Suddenly I hear the soprano of flutes, and the music stirs my soul. The symphony builds to a crescendo! The piccolo trills in joyfully, in contrast to the deep, soulful bass. The fervor of the concerto builds, and the evening breeze threatens to become a gale. Suddenly the wind dies down. All is quiet.

On cool October evenings the windmill plays eerie, haunting tunes that make me tremble as I face the unknown darkness. The trees seem to have ghostly fingers, yet I know I am safe.

In March the concerto becomes harsh, full of frenzy. The wind blows mightily. It blows without ceasing, whipping and lashing the tender, new growth of Spring into strong mature plants--able to withstand the certainty of storms.

The music varies most in summer. Sometimes it is a calm and soothing sound. A cool, welcome relief. At other times, it is a hot, dry, incessant melody--a song that panics with the approaching storm--then slows to a gentle cadence.

This is my windmill concerto, played out by the Texas Prairie Orchestra. The wind is the conductor, demanding the mill's utmost.

I hope the men never find time to oil the windmill--for then the nights would be silent and lonely. And I? I would be lost in the stillness.

### You are invited to attend a Bridal Shower

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### You are invited to attend a Bridal Shower

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### You are invited to attend a Bridal Shower

for  
**Leslie McLaughlin**  
bride of Brian McLaughlin

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from 1:30 -3:00 p.m.  
in the Church of Christ Fellowship Hall  
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### You are invited to attend a Bridal Shower

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**Ashlee Thompson**  
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# 1999-2000: What A Year!

by Jeff Beedy

The Spearman High School Athletic Banquet was held Friday night in the O'Loughlin Center. This banquet is held once a year to honor the coaches and athletes. This year's banquet was great because we had so many accomplishments to be proud of and a lot of athletes that needed to be recognized.

The athletic banquet is sponsored by the Spearman Booster Club. J. L. Griffin, who was this year's booster club president, was the emcee for the banquet. J. L. did an outstanding job as president, and we as booster club members appreciate his hard work. Other board members who also did a great job are: Vice President-Boys, Kevin Bynum; Vice President-Girls, Brenda Shieldknight; Secretary/Treasurer, Scott and Becky Beedy; Membership, Denise Schumann, Melanie Elliott, and Karen Goodman; and Ways and Means, Peggy Varnon. These people have worked very hard and need to be commended for their efforts.

Next year's officers are: President, Lenix Simpson; Vice President-Boys, Allen Varnon; Vice President-Girls, Karen Schnell; Secretary, Becky Beedy; Treasurer, Scott Beedy; Membership, Nikki Lozano and committee; and Ways and Means, Shelly Beedy and committee. Please give these people your support when they ask for it. The booster club does great things for these kids!

Coach Ric Smith started things off with presenting the football awards. The Lynx had a great year in football as they advanced to the regional game of the high school playoffs before falling to Sonora. The Outstanding Offensive Award went to Aaron Winegarner and the Outstanding Defensive Award went to Dusty Barber. The Fighting Heart was awarded to Jordan Brock. These young men were very deserving of these awards. They are all seniors and will be missed next year. Coach Smith also announced next year's captains who are Richard Varnon, Clayton Vanderburg and John Brock. The assistant coaches are Jerry Bass, Doug Bowles, Greg Gibson, Brian Beck, and Wendell Neff. The Junior Varsity Lynx had a great year as they only lost one game all year. There will be several of those guys who will step up and

do a great job for the varsity next year.

The Lynx and Lynxette Cross Country awards were presented by Coach Kyle Short. The cross country team did a good job this year, and Short is expecting better things next year. The Lynxettes advanced Chelsea Nollner to the regional meet as an individual who finished in the top ten in district. The Cross Country Lynx Award was presented to Colton Miller, and the Lynxette Award went to Chelsea Nollner.

Coach Short presented the Lynxette Basketball Awards next. The Lynxettes had a great year as they advanced to the area game of the playoffs before getting beat at the last second to Eula. Short is expecting big things out of the Lynxettes next year. The Outstanding Lynxette Award was presented to Jenn Schnell, Halee Beasley, and Camille Smith. The Fighting Heart Award went to Brooke Lesly and Amber Ramon and the Krista Kirkland Fighting Heart Award was presented to Halee Beasley and Camille Smith. All of these girls did a great job this year and had a great season! Coach Steve Walker coached the junior high, freshman and junior varsity teams. They all had a good year and did a fine job!

The Lynx Basketball Awards were presented by Coach Wendell Neff. Coach Neff also won his 500th game this year which is quite an accomplishment! There is not a lot of coaches that coach 500 games much less win 500 games! Congratulations once again Coach Neff! The Most Valuable Player was awarded to Aaron Winegarner and the Fighting Heart Award went to Jeremy Mackie. These guys did a good job as did the rest of the Lynx basketball team. The Lynx JV and Freshman teams also had outstanding seasons and they all worked very hard! The assistant coaches for basketball are Jerry Bass, Brian Beck, and Doug Bowles.

Varsity Lynxette track was next on the program. What a year the Lynxette track team had! They won the district, regional and state team titles! That has never happened in school history to win all three titles! They won one gold (800 relay), one silver (mile relay) and two bronze (discus and sprint relay) medals at the state track meet to become state

champions! Anytime an athlete gets to state is something very special much less win a state championship! They also set several new school records this year. The Outstanding Lynxette Award was presented to the Lynxettes who were state qualifiers. They are, Brooke Lesly, Chelsea Nollner, Cindy Goodman, Jenn Schnell, Halee Beasley, and Stephanie Bynum. The alternates that went to the state track meet were Clara Shieldknight and Mindee Gillaspie. The Iron Woman Award went to Halee Beasley. These girls were very special athletes who had a dream season! Congratulations once again!

The Lynx Track Awards were presented by head track Coach Jerry Bass. The Varsity and JV Lynx had a good year, also. The Lynx qualified three boys for the regional track meet in Abilene. Kelsey Henton (200 meter dash), Richard Varnon (discus) and Colton Miller (triple jump) all did a great job this year! The Outstanding Lynx Award went to Kelsey Henton and Richard Varnon. There were a lot of boys out for track this season and the JV Lynx had a great year, too.

Coach Doug Bowles presented the Outstanding Lynxette Golf Award to Haley Lombard and the Lynx Golf Award went to Travis Brown. Haley and Travis both qualified for regional this year, and they will both be back next year. They are both exceptional golfers and we are expecting great things next year!

The Lynx Tennis Team also had an outstanding year! They also qualified three singles players for regional under first year coach Steve Walker. Sally Pittman won the Outstanding Lynxette Award and Kevin Beedy was awarded the Outstanding Lynx Award. Kevin advanced to the state tournament

before falling to a four time state champion in the finals. Kevin is only a freshman, and Sally is a junior so they will both be back next year along with regional qualifier Adam Cherry.

Cheryl Whitefield, who is the cheerleader sponsor, presented the most spirited cheerleader award. This award was voted on by the other cheerleaders and they chose Jennifer Whitefield. The cheerleaders work as hard as anybody and deserve a lot more credit than they usually get. The 1999-2000 cheerleaders were Amber Ramon (head cheerleader), Brooke Lesly, Camille Smith, Adrienne Simpson, Jennifer Whitefield, Tashi Schumann, Clara Shieldknight, Nicole Ramon, and Chelsey Villines (mascot). The 2000-2001 cheerleaders are Jennifer Whitefield (head cheerleader), Adrienne Simpson, Haley Lombard, Tashi Schumann, Clara Shieldknight, Jessica Crossland, Jentry Edwards, Samantha Cazares, and Cheryl Gibson (mascot).

The Booster Club awarded nine scholarships in the amount of \$500 each to nine very deserving young athletes to help further their education. This is a very tough job because there is always so many deserving young people. This is the most scholarship money presented by the booster club and it is because of a lot of hard work by the booster club members. The Greg Elliott Memorial Scholarship, which is picked by Charles Elliott, was presented to Dusty Barber. The other eight booster club scholarships were presented to Aaron Winegarner, Halee Beasley, Jordan Brock, Cindy Goodman, Jeremy Mackie, Amber Ramon, Kelsey Henton, and Brooke Lesly.

As you can see, it has been a wonderful year at Spearman High

School! These athletes did an outstanding job in everything they participated in. They advanced somebody to the playoffs or to regional in football, girls basketball, cross country, track, golf, and tennis. The seniors are going to be greatly missed, but we have kids that will step up next year and do a great job!

A special thanks goes to all the booster club members that helped decorate and make the athletic banquet a success. This is a big job and a lot of work. I also want to especially thank Janet Scarborough, Kristi Ramon, Karla Flowers, Kim Vanderburg, Donita Lusby, Brenda Shieldknight and whom ever else made the decorations for the banquet and throughout the year. This was a huge undertaking and they did a wonderful job. I also want to thank Peggy and Allen Varnon for their hard work on the picture taking and video that they did for the kids. Peggy and Allen are very hard workers and the booster club appreciates them very much! Thanks to the rest of the booster club members because without you and your hard work, the booster club would not be as successful as it is. I also want to thank the community for your continued support of the booster club and the support you give these kids! My hat is off to everyone of Spearman!

## Salgado Attends Seminar

Cheryl Gibson-Salgado, City Secretary, City of Spearman, attended a two-day seminar on Leadership and Management in Times of Change, sponsored by the Texas Municipal Clerks Certification Program located at the University of North Texas, Denton. The workshop was held in Amarillo.

Dr. Jennifer Cutrer, Coordinator, Department of Strategic Planning for Parkland Health and Hospital System, Dallas, served as the lead instructor. Dr. Cutrer taught sessions that included the discussion of change agents in leadership and management; effective communication; emotional intelligence in human relations for productivity benefits; constructive performance appraisal; and methods of team building. Dr. Jacqueline Stephens, Director, Behavioral Health and Patient Services for Parkland, Dallas, provided sessions on the topics of organizational change, personal development, and leadership effectiveness.

Spearman's City Secretary Gibson-Salgado is enrolled in the TMCCP's educational and professional development program. Attendance at this workshop fulfills part of the requirements for the Texas Registered Municipal Clerk's Certification. She is a member of the Texas Municipal Clerks Association, Inc., a statewide, professional organization of 830 city secretaries and municipal clerks.

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# Spearman All-School Reunion Held



Edwin Simmons, class of 1925, and his wife Annabell Gilliam Simmons, class of 1927 were the oldest graduates to attend. Edwin is a CPA in Pampa, and still goes to his office daily.



Cindy Blackman (above) presided over the All-School Reunion as MC, with over 1000 ex-students and their families in attendance.

A sign announcing the Spearman All-School Reunion hung in front of the auditorium doors. (Below)

The Alumni Band entertained with selections from various decades following the general assembly. (Below Left)

Dorothy Buzzard, Kathleen Sutton, Mary Schumann, and Mary Lou Wysong registered members of the classes of 1940-1949. (Bottom)



The three R's - remembering, reminiscing, and re-living high school days - were the rule of the day for the Spearman High School All-School Reunion.

While individual class reunions were held on Friday night, the grand assembly of exes was on Saturday, July 1st, where former students gathered in the Spearman High School auditorium to elect new all-school reunion officers. The new officers are: President - Marsha White Shaver (class of '70), Other Officers - Paige Pittman Burgin (class of '88), Sandi McLeod Pearson (class of '87), and Haley Shieldknight (class of '91).

The group also voted to use proceeds from dues, the dance and the barbecue lunch toward scholarships for SHS students. Glenda Butt Guthrie, Mr. Dwayne Mitchell, Marsha White Shaver, Diane Renner Maxwell and Mary Archer Dixon were nominated to serve on a committee to set up guidelines for the scholarships.

Attendees were entertained by Joel Lee Lackey and the "Alumni Band" before being dismissed.

The entourage then made its way to the school cafeteria where over

900 enjoyed a catered barbeque meal, while still others filled local eateries. A capacity crowd later filled the O'Loughlin ballroom in the evening to end the event with a dance.

Coming together from all parts of the United States, the former students soon found the miles of separation vanish as they recalled incidents of their special high school days. For others, such as Jack Montgomery of Dallas, the husband of SHS graduate Carlie Dixon, new memories were made as he discovered that his new boss David Batson, also of Dallas, was among the attendees of the reunion.

Although a prize was not given for the ex student who traveled the farthest, many long-distance travelers were noted such as Captain Howard Garnett (retired) of the class of 37 of Poulso, Washington; Charles Clement, class of '42 of Highmore, South Dakota; Wilma Reese McHaffey of the class of '45 of Lynchburg, Virginia; Joe Goss of the class of '55 of Arlington, Virginia; Loren (Munday) and Myrle Guy Jones of the class of '56 and the class of '54 respectively, of Radford, Virginia; Bill Hall of the

class of '50 of Homeland, California; Guffy Thorpe of the class of '59 of Summerville, South Carolina; Mattie Archer Peterson of the class of '61 of Fort Walton Beach, Florida; Mickey Davis Gribble of the class of '60 of Centralia, Washington.

Also Patty Barker LeBlanc of the class of '68 of Celebration, Florida; Sandy Miller Hurt of the class of '63 of Santa Clara, California; Marcus Gould of the class of '65 of Drain, Oregon; Cecilia Wilson Hicks of the class of '66 of Walnut Cove, North Carolina; Charles Batson of the class of '69 of Bellingham, North Carolina; Willie Reneau of the class of '67 of La Fayette, Louisiana; Marla McWhirter Booth, '72 of Hemet, California; Doug Porter of the class of '77 of Bourbonnais, Illinois; Carrie Clark Tidwell of the class of '78 of Fayetteville, North Carolina; Glynn Sanders Gower of the class of '70 of Tucson, Arizona; and Jennifer Umphress Ottens of the class of '79 of Lindon, Utah.

All departed with new memories, and great anticipation of the next All-School Reunion, which is scheduled for 2005.

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