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SHS National Honor Society, Student Volunteers Receive Awards

Hansford Manor Aviary
The staff of Hansford Manor would like to invite you to participate with them in an exciting endeavor which they feel will bring joy and beauty to the residents' lives.

They are currently raising funds to purchase an Oak Creek Aviary. This aviary is handcrafted, made of beautiful oak and break-resistant glass. It will be populated with finches, canaries and doves. Residents will be able to observe the birds building nests, playing, raising families and going about their "daily chores."

The residents have thoroughly enjoyed birdwatching in the current aviary. However, there have been several problems with it due to the netting/PVC pipe construction. The netting on the sides makes it hard for residents with any visual challenges to see the birds very well. Keeping the aviary and the area around it clean has been a continuous problem due to the open construction. Also, several times small finches have actually lost their lives when trapped between the netting and the side panels.

The dimensions of the new Oak Creek aviary will be approximately 8'x34"x6'6" and will cost approximately \$6,000 to purchase. (This includes setup/delivery, birds, bedding, ground cover, etc.) The Employees of Hansford County Hospital District have made the first step toward purchase with a donation of \$1,000. We invite you to join with us in making this dream of our residents a reality.

Please direct all donations and inquiries to the attention of Anne Snow, Administrator or Debra Sanford, Activities Director.

Spearman 6th Grade Band Attends Contest

Congratulations to the Spearman 6th Grade Band students. These students traveled to Panhandle on April 26, 2002, to participate in the Panhandle Band Festival. The students received a Superior rating and a trophy for their efforts.

Those students who participated were: Elliott Sheets, Crystal Bridwell, Amy Brown, Alicia Francis, Justine Rosales, Lizet Camacho, Lisa Espinosa, Jeremy Frost, Amy Boyd, Wendy Gaytan, Tyler Rex, JJ Rojas, Stevie Salazar, Dane Harbour, Marcus Ochoa, Colby Odegaard, Blayne Baker, Austin Benton, Jessica Diaz, Matt Diaz, Eddie Robledo, Tanner Six and Halee Trammell.

Several of the band students also prepared solos and ensembles for the competition. Students receiving Superior ratings and medals were: Blayne Baker, Elliott Sheets, Colby Odegaard and Marcus Ochoa in a brass/saxophone quartet; Lisa Espinosa, flute solo; Crystal Bridwell and Amy Boyd, clarinet duet; Jeremy Frost, Eddie Robledo, Austin Benton and Matt Diaz, trumpet/French horn quartet; Jessica Diaz and Halee Trammell, trumpet duet.

The 6th grade band will be performing on May 9th during the Spring Band Concert. The concert will be held in the high school auditorium at 7:00 p.m.

Morgan Deployed To Gulf

Marine Corps Pfc. Brandon L. Morgan, a 1998 graduate of Spearman High School, is halfway through a six-month deployment in the Mediterranean Sea and Arabian Gulf in support of Operation Enduring Freedom while assigned to the 13th Marine Expeditionary Unit (MEU), home based at Camp Pendleton, CA.

Marines from Morgan's unit have conducted offensive raids against Taliban and Al-Qaeda forces in Afghanistan. Their participation in this operation christened the USS Bonhomme Richard into the world of U.S. Navy warships that have launched combat sorties.

Spearman High's National Honor Society (NHS) and student volunteers Laura Gillaspie and Art Maestas were honored at the Reach Out...Volunteer banquet at the Amarillo Civic Center Grand Plaza on Saturday.

Spearman High School, represented by its National Honor Society, was one of ten schools awarded \$2500 for its outstanding volunteer program.

According to Diane Crawford and Mollie Holton, Spearman NHS sponsors, the chapter has worked extensively with senior citizens of the community.

"The students have provided services for the senior citizens, mowed and raked yards, and also helped in other areas such as painting of the windmills in the community," Crawford said.

Gillaspie and Maestas, both SHS seniors, were each awarded a \$1000 scholarship, gold medals, and certificates for their outstanding efforts as volunteers in the Spearman NHS chapter.

"I think my favorite volunteer effort was helping with Bingo night at Hansford Manor where I really felt like I was helping someone," Maestas said.

Gillaspie expressed much the same sentiment. Although Gillaspie watered lawns, repaired an air conditioner, and cleaned the Waka Christian Center, she enjoyed the duties that interacted with people.

"It really felt like you were doing something good for someone," Gillaspie said.

The Spearman students represented two of the 50 senior student volunteers to receive scholarships at the banquet.

The Reach Out...Volunteer program is sponsored by the Amarillo Globe News and was begun in 2001 as a two-year program.



Spearman High School Volunteers Art Maestas (left) and Laura Gillaspie (right) are pictured above with National Honor Society Sponsors Diane Crawford (second from left) and Mollie Holton (second from right) and Spearman High School Principal Bill Belger (back).

No Indictments Returned In Case Against Hansford Sheriff's Department

No indictments resulted from a grand jury inquiry of an incident between Sheriff R.L. McFarlin and a Gruver Police Officer last month.

The decision by the grand jury, Wednesday, April 24, was reached after the testimony of fourteen witnesses.

Sheriff McFarlin stated he was relieved that the matter was over. "I sure believe it could have been handled in a different manner," McFarlin said. "But I believe justice is served. I've got to go on with my life."

According to Clay Ballman, 84th District Attorney, the incident was investigated by Terry Vogel, a criminal investigator with the 69th Judicial District Attorney. He was assisted by Sgt. Collin Faust, an investigator for the Texas Attorney General.

Ballman had previously asked the Texas Rangers to investigate the incident, but the agency declined with no comment made for the decision.

"I hope we can get back on track," Nick Jordan, Gruver Chief of Police, said. "We've always worked with them (Sheriff's Department). They've helped us, and we've helped them, and I expect that will continue."

Jordan and Gruver City Manager Linda Weller reported the alleged incident of alleged criminal misconduct to Ballman shortly after the March 2 occurrence.

Ballman stated in a press release that his office was unable to further comment on the incident due to the secrecy of grand jury testimony.

McFarlin has served as Hansford County Sheriff since 1973 when he was appointed to the position.



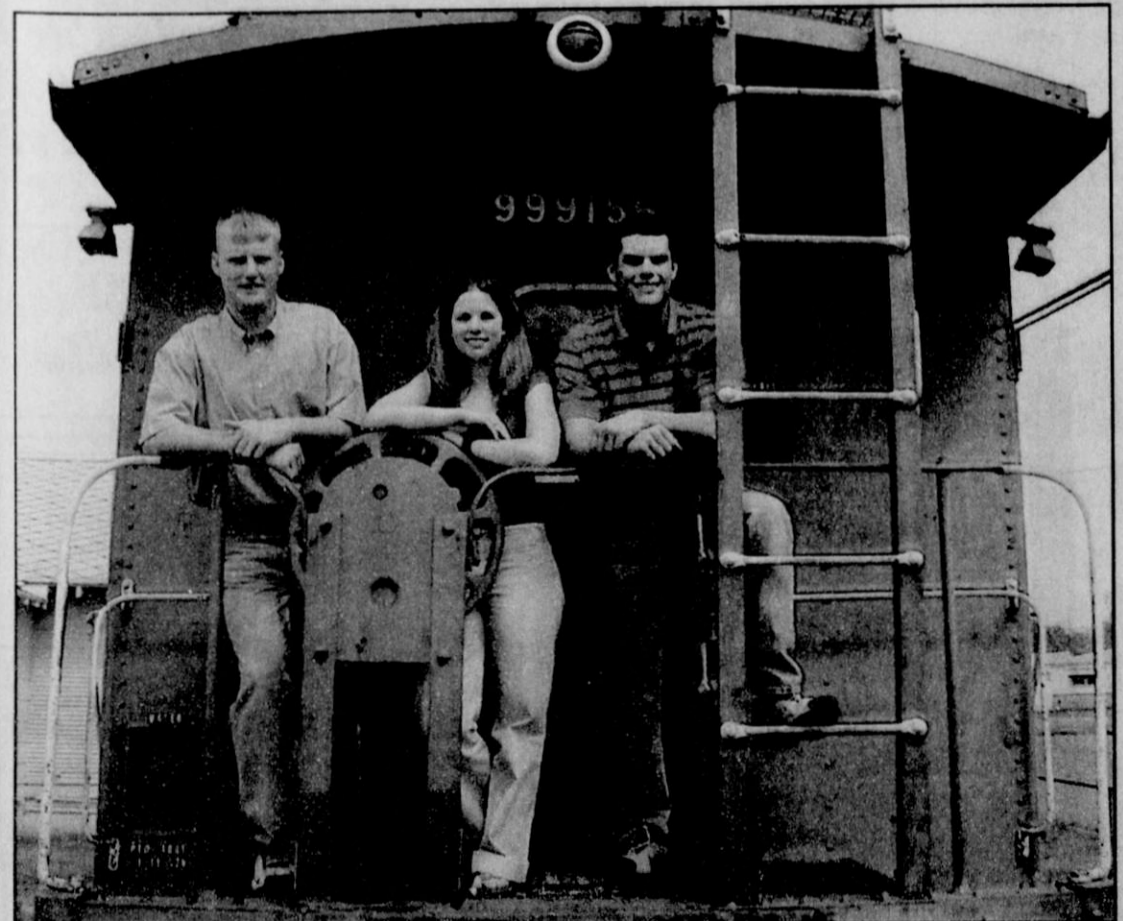
State Bound Spearman High School's boys doubles tennis team of (left) Adam Cherry and Kevin Beedy will compete this week in Austin.



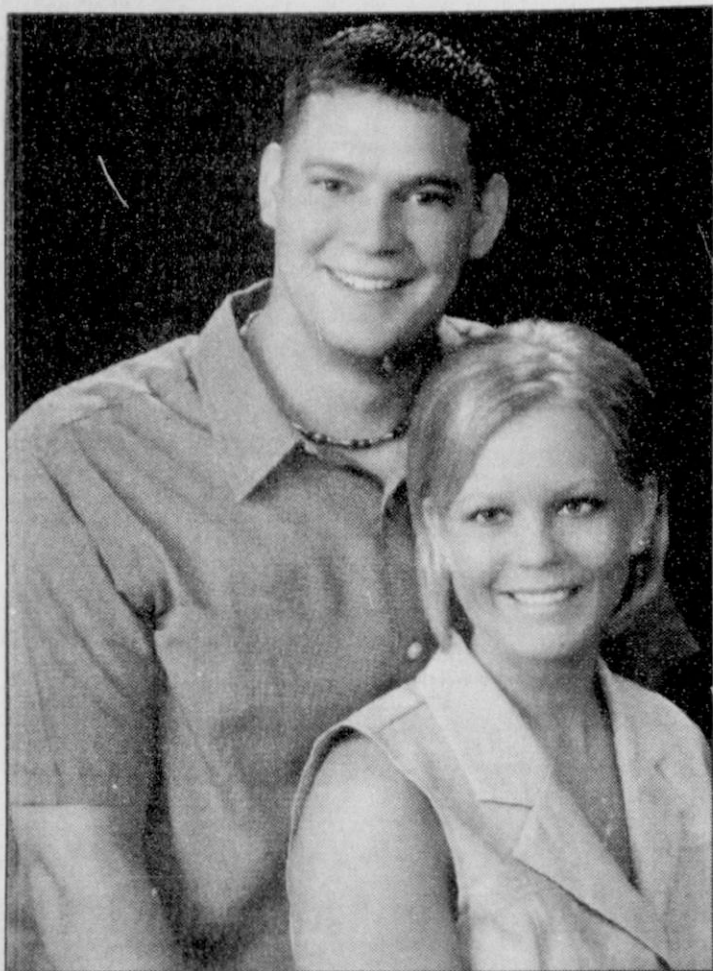
Hansford County Hospital District is proud to welcome to our team Joann Schneider, R.N., as the Director of Nurses at Hospital County Hospital. She brings to the district 10 years of experience in nursing, including a broad knowledge base of trauma/ER nursing care, swingbed, discharge planning, utilization review and infection control.

Hansford County Hospital District expects Joann to be a great asset, and is grateful that she accepted the position.

Joann is a life-long resident of Hansford County and lives in Spearman with her husband, Ken. They have three children, Brandi, Schane and Kendall.



Boarding Austin Express are state UIL Academic qualifiers (left to right) Russell Sheets Spearman High School who will be competing in Debate, Erin Boxwell of Spearman who will be competing in Ready Writing, and Kade Carthel of Gruver who will be competing in Feature Writing and Headline Writing.



Engagement Announcement

Miss Wendy Jane Clayton and Mr. Clinton Wade Shook are announcing plans to be married June 8, 2002, at 4:00 p.m. The ceremony will be held at the First United Methodist Church in Seiling, OK. Parents of the bride are Mr. and Mrs. Marc L. Clayton of Chester, OK. The groom's parents are Mr. and Mrs. Eddy W. Shook of Sunray, TX. Wendy is a 1997 graduate of Seiling High School. She is currently attending the University of Central Oklahoma in Edmond, OK, and will graduate in May with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Nursing. Clint, who graduated from Seiling High School in 1998, is currently attending UCO and will graduate in May with a Bachelor of Education Degree in Industrial Safety. Charles F. Cook of Tracy, CA, is the grandfather of the bride-elect. Grandparents of the groom are Winnie Vernon, and Wayne and Floydean Shook of Gruver, TX, and F.A. Shapley of Tucson, AZ. Friends and family are invited to attend the wedding.



Engagement Announcement

Royce and Marianne Hart of Post, TX wish to announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Kelci, to Jordan Brock. Jordan is the son of Kim and Stephanie Brock of Spearman, TX. The couple will unite in marriage on June 15, 2002 in the Methodist Church in Post, TX. Kelci is a graduate of Post High School, and is attending Abilene Christian University, majoring in Accounting. Jordan is a graduate of Spearman High School, and is a business major at Abilene Christian University. He is a member of the ACU Wildcat football team. Kelci is the granddaughter of Mrs. H.H. Hart and Mrs. Paul Jones, both of Post, TX. Jordan is the grandson of J.L. and Mary Brock of Spearman and Dave and Nan Warren of Fort Worth.

Thank You

A big thanks to Rev. Ken Cole, Dr. Mark Garnett, and all the people who called, sent flowers, cards, prayed, and came by to see Ray during his recent surgery. Many thanks and God bless you. Ray J. and Judy Martin

Thank You

The family of Willard "Bill" Davis would like to express our heartfelt gratitude to Dad's extended family of the First Christian Church, friends and neighbors who so lovingly cared for us during our time of sorrow. Thank you for your prayers, food, flowers, remembrance donations and visits. They meant so much to us. A special thank you to Dr. Drew and the nurses of Crown of Texas Hospice for the wonderful care you gave.

Mickey Gribble, Ann Temple and Ned Davis

Thank You

The families of Bobby and Nell McCoy would like to express our sincerest gratitude for all of the acts of kindness shown us following the tragic loss of our loved ones. The cards, food, flowers, memorials and especially the hugs were very much appreciated. YaVonne & Lawrence Maytum, Marsha & Lee Shaver and Chris & Tammy White

Thank You

I want to thank you for your many acts of kindness shown to me and my family during my recent hospital stays. In times like this we are even more appreciative of living in Spearman where people openly show their concern for one another. Nell Benton & Family

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You are invited to a Bridal Shower

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You are invited to a Bridal Shower

for
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bride-elect of Orlando Ortiz
on Saturday, May 11, 2002

from 10:00 - 11:30 a.m.

in the home of Jolinda Hutchison
1/2 mile south of Spearman on FM 760

You are invited to a Bridal Shower

for
Celeste Gardner

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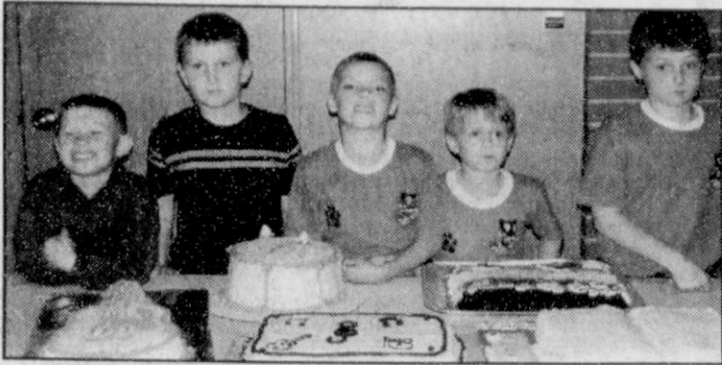
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Spearman Cub Scout Pack 578 News



Spearman Cub Scout Pack 578 held their Dad and Lad Cake Bake on Thursday, April 25th. Cub Scout participants: (L-R) Kyler Cator - Best Shape, Bryce Jarvis - Most Colorful, Harley Davidson - Wildest, Devin Wells - Most Creative, and Lonnie Born - Best Overall.

The Tiger Cub Den of Cub Scout Pack 578 held a den meeting on April 18th in the First Christian Church.



Elmon Jacobs, as well as several other individuals, was kind enough to submit the names of the above 1934 Spearman Lynx Football Team. They are: (Back Row, L-R) John Morris (Asst. Coach), D. Easley, Richard Holton, Oran Ross Kelly, A.J. Curtis, Hershel Ooley, Ruben Deering, Elma Gunn (Coach); (Middle Row, L-R) Arthur Haines, Rooney Harmond, Elmon Jacobs, Willard Davis, Paul Buchanan, H.L. Wilbanks, W.C. Robertson; (Front Row, L-R) Oliver Leverton, Paul Robertson, Sam Robertson, Dick Vernon and C.D. Haines

Out At The Lake

by Dorothy Hudson

Lake Depth--April 29, 2002--33.67 feet

This weekend there were 2 sets of campers on the office side and 4 sets behind the dam. Ronnie and Rhonda Williams and Steve and Bernie Ryan were among those camping behind the dam.

As the Lake goes down and a dry crust forms over the wet subsoil, it pays to be very careful where you drive. Jim assisted 3 different people with stuck vehicles this weekend.

The one that was stuck the worst required Jim to get a winch truck that is not used often from the shop area. He had been warned that the roadrunners were building nests under the hoods of the vehicles and to prevent a fire, it was wise to check before using one. Jim popped up the hood of the truck and found a rough nest with 4 whitish, quail size eggs. The nest held together while he lifted it out and set it in the grass, but he doesn't know how the roadrunners dealt with it.

Since part of the nest was sticky, he also wondered how the baby birds would manage. I looked in my bird books to find if the

nestlings are altricial or precocial. As "al Trish al" birds are usually born naked and with their eyes shut, I thought a nest complete with stickers would be harder on them. The young of the roadrunners are born naked and blind.

Examples of "pree KOH shal" baby birds are killdeer, chickens, quail, pheasants, and geese. They are born with down or fuzz and have their eyes open.

Saturday was not a good day for fishing, but during the weekend Teke Ferguson caught a 6# catfish and then pulled in another good one. Some crappie were caught.

If you like to watch the cliff swallows catch insects in the air or make mud balls to build a new nest or refurbish an old one--they're back. Our cliff swallows can be found at the intake tower or the bridge across the Palo Duro at the Lake. These birds have the strange habit of laying part of their eggs in another bird's nest. Sometimes they toss out one of the host birds eggs before they lay one of theirs in the nest. They have also been seen carrying one of their eggs in their beak to the new nest.

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The Adventures of Bob

After spending a week of fun, games, and visiting at Hansford County Hospital, Goof-off Bob skipped on over to a Touch of Sun. Bahama Bob was excited to see the choices of tanning beds available there. Baked Buns Bob sort of over did it cause he loved the selection of lotions and he had to try each one. He was amazed when he learned Suzy could permanently-tattoo make-up. Quick Thinking Bob could see how much time this could save, not to mention the money for cosmetics. Take A Break Bob was overjoyed at some of the furniture Suzy has to offer. He tried out the big rocking chair all week. Thoughtful Bob reminds everyone that Mother's Day is just around the corner and Touch of Sun offers gift certificates.

Health Conscience Bob, even though he was a bit apprehensive, set out for his semi-annual teeth cleaning with Dr. Pinkerton. Relieved Bob was pleasantly surprised when it was all over and stated "It didn't hurt a bit." Young at Heart Bob stayed on to help out with the workload and kept the kids occupied while their parents kept their appointments. Stand In Bob even allowed Dr. Pinkerton or his assistants to use him as an example if a child was a little scared in the chair. Serene Bob loved it out on the Pinkerton's patio behind the office. If you haven't seen it yet, you don't know what you are missing. People Person Bob loved his stay and advises you not to forget to get your teeth cleaned regularly. Good Advice Bob highly recommends Dr. Pinkerton and his friendly staff.

On the Ball Bob called in his reservation for "Kids Say the Darndest Things". This event is to celebrate Mother's Day at the Diner on Friday May 11th at 6:30 PM. Wouldn't Miss A Single Thing Bob is also planning to be at the auditions on Tuesday May 7th as the public is invited to attend. Concerned Bob feels it would be best if the kids auditioned in front of a live audience in order to ease their apprehensions before the actual performance.

Activity Director Bob has been diligently planning the post-prom party, which is to begin as soon as the prom is over. Some of the fun things that will be happening are: eating, Twister, Limbo, Karaoke, Theatre Sports, video watching, and Win Lose or Draw. These events are just the tip of the iceberg. All high school students are invited to attend. Anyone wishing to help out can call Carol Dunnihoo, Candy Boxwell, Sherry Benton, Mary Sue Adams or Skeeter Huffaker. These wonderful ladies mostly just need snack foods as of right now. This party is provided to encourage substance free

DWAYNE MITCHELL

CANDIDATE FOR SISD SCHOOL BOARD

ELECTION MAY 4, 2002

I am not seeking a position on the Spearman ISD Board of Education on a whim. I have attended dozens of board meetings through the years, and I know of the agonizing decisions that board members are sometimes called on to make. With the state of school financing and ever-increasing demands on our schools, I know that this is not an easy job I seek. I don't pretend to have answers to questions that have not yet been posed, but I do believe that my education, experience as a lifelong professional educator and dedication will be useful as Spearman ISD faces tomorrow.

Experience: 41 years in public education. Chaired and served on many SISD committees including Campus Improvement, District Improvement, Strategic Planning, and Textbook Committee, and Chairman of English Department in which position I helped prepare departmental budget.

Education: B.A. and M.S. plus graduate hours beyond a Master's Degree

Reasons for Candidacy: I have always been interested in education, and now retired I'm still interested in what our district does educationally for its children. I have a deep sense of commitment to this district that has not been lessened by my retirement.

I will work to be an effective board member by being open-minded, candid, and decisive. I have no hidden agenda and am not after anyone's job or program.

What will I do as a board member? I have worked much of my teaching career to make SISD as strong as possible. I will continue that effort as a board member.

I know that quality education is essential to the young people of our community, regardless of whom that may be. I support a well-rounded educational offering that includes academic, athletic, and co-curricular programs.

I solicit your vote on May 4, 2002.

Dwayne Mitchell

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Farm Bill Big Win for West Texas Farmers and Ranchers

WASHINGTON, D.C. - U.S. Rep. Larry Combest, R-Lubbock, is very pleased to announce that the House and Senate conference committee has finalized the Farm Bill, which the Office of Management and Budget determined today fits within the authorized budget.

"I am proud of the final package that resulted from immeasurable hard work that began two-and-a-half years ago, when the House Agriculture Committee began drafting the House version of the Farm Bill. It was a long, hard fight to secure through conference the measures that farmers in our area so desperately needed in the final bill. It is clearly a win for West Texas farmers and ranchers," said Combest, who is chairman of the House and Senate Farm Bill conference committee.

The six-year Farm Bill will be sent to the House and Senate for approval, and, after that approval is obtained, then will be sent to the president to be signed into law. Major provisions in the Farm Bill that will be beneficial for West Texas farmers and ranchers include:

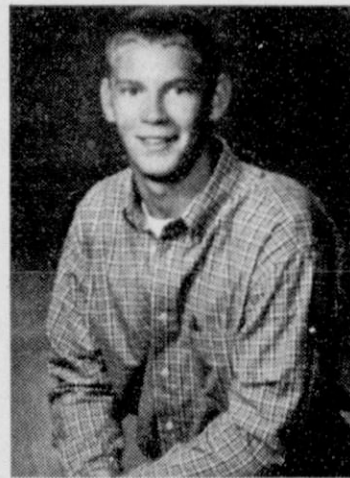
- * Eliminating Senate payment limitations that discriminated against area farmers
- * Commodity target prices that provide long-term stability for farmers and lenders to finance their operations
- * Replacing current farm policy that lacks adequate safety net by putting the new Farm Bill in place for THIS crop year
- * Making area peanut growers now eligible for commodity program benefits similar to those available to cotton and corn producers
- * Significantly increasing the historic baseline spending for voluntary conservation programs like the Environmental Quality Incentives Program and expanding the Conservation Reserve Program
- * Providing producers with the option to update base acreage and payment yields

Shook Graduates From UCO

Clinton Wade Shook, son of Eddy and Mary Shook of Sunray, TX will graduate from the University of Central Oklahoma in Edmond, OK, with a Bachelor of Education Degree in Industrial Safety, on Friday, May 10, 2002, at 3:00 p.m.

While attending UCO, Clint has been a member of the Dean's Honor Roll and is currently on the President's Honor Roll. Clint is employed by McMaster Construction, Inc. in Oklahoma City.

Clint is the grandson of Wayne and Floydean Shook of Gruver and F.A. Shapley of Tucson, AZ and the great-grandson of Winnie Vernon of Gruver. Rex and Deanna Williams of Gruver are his aunt and uncle.



Boyd Rice Saves The Best For Last

Brinks Banker's owner, Billy Cogdell, will be going to the bank with a check for first place in the 2002 Flowmaster / National Cutting Horse Association Super Stakes Gelding Open division.

Cogdell, of Tulia, Texas, has been involved in the cutting horse industry for many, many years with much success. In 1978, Cogdell's mare Lynx Melody won the NCHA Futurity under the guidance of Larry Reeder. In 1999, that mare's daughter, Shania Cee, was the NCHA Futurity Champion under Shannon Hall.

Boyd Rice of Spearman, Texas, rode a gelding son of Cogdell's stallion, Maxi Lena, to another championship title. Rice and Brinks Banker drew last in the class of 11 geldings in the Gelding Open finals this afternoon, and managed to find enough cow for 220.5 points. That score put the pair in front of Matt Gaines and Merada Clone, who had marked 219 points. Merada Clone is a Meradas Money Talks gelding owned by James Vangilder of Jackson, Missouri.

The 2002 Flowmaster / NCHA Super Stakes & Super Stakes Classic Cutting concluded Sunday, April 21 with an estimated payout of \$2.2 million over the course of the show. Entries for the 2002 edition of the annual spring Fort Worth show jumped an incredible 7 percent from last year's number, from 1,235 entries in 2001 to 1,328 entries in 2002. The \$2.2 million purse is a record payout for the Super Stakes & Super Stakes Classic show, which dates back to 1981.

Favorites from the 2001 NCHA World Championship were joined by a host of other 4-year-old potential champions in seven divisions. Meanwhile, the 5- and 6-

year-old horses -- many of which have built outstanding records -- competed in three divisions of their own. All told, 10 champions will be crowned during the 2002 Flowmaster / NCHA Super Stakes & Super Stakes Classic.

The Super Stakes is a show for only the offspring of nominated stallions. However, with 137 of the industry's top sires on the list of nominees, the show is far from "exclusive." The Super Stakes is for 4-year-old cutting horses and the Super Stakes Classic portion of the show is for horses aged 5 and 6 years old.

In addition to the hefty checks that will be distributed, winners will also receive awards from NCHA sponsors like Gist silversmiths, Cowboy Tack, M.L. Leddy's, Flowmaster, Walls, and Cinch jeans.

Flowmaster, the title sponsor of the 18-day April cutting, is a household name in car racing circles. The company came on board as an NCHA sponsor this fall. Over the past 18 years, Flowmaster's patented technology

has also blazed new trails in the passenger car and tow vehicle markets. Their customers are saving 100 million gallons of fuel per year.

The sport of cutting has evolved into a thriving industry with members of many backgrounds. From CEOs to cattle raisers to former rodeo stars and professional athletes, National Cutting Horse Association members find a common thread in one of the most challenging, exhilarating and exciting sports in the world -- riding good cutting horses.

In addition to the outstanding athleticism required of a standout cutting horse, the equine athletes must also be able to read cows and outmaneuver the herd-natured animals with lightning-quick movements from side to side, hard stops and split-second bursts of speed.

For more information about the Flowmaster / NCHA Super Stakes & Super Stakes Classic, the history of the sport or how to become an NCHA member, please call 817-244-6188 or visit www.nchacutting.com.

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Experience: 6 years as Trustee - Served as Vice-President & Secretary - Current member District Education Improvement Committee

Employment: Director of Physical Therapy Hansford Co. Hospital Dist. for 11 years

Family: Husband, James (farmer) - Four children - Three graduates of Spearman High and one senior in Class of 2002

Education: B.S. Degree/Major Special Ed, Minor Elementary Ed - Oklahoma State University; M.S. Degree/Physical Therapy - Texas Women's University

I want to work to insure a quality education for all of the students in SISD. I will continue to be fiscally responsible, an objective listener and supportive of our staff, administration, students and programs.

Your vote will be appreciated on May 4th

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Meetings & Minutes



Pictured above are June and Doyle Jackson, co-vice-presidents for the Hospice Garage Sale. They, along with several other volunteers, spent many hours of hard work preparing for the sale. This year's sale will be held this weekend, Friday and Saturday, May 3rd and 4th, from 9 a.m.-4 p.m. at 311 Main Street in Spearman.

Proceeds from this sale help provide funds for Hansford Hospice. Last year, Hospice raised around \$5,000 from the garage sale. These proceeds are used to stock the Hospice Kitchen Unit so that families do not have to leave the Hospice Unit for meals, to purchase items that patients may need but are unable to afford, to purchase home-like furnishings for the Hospice Unit and the Hospice Family Unit at the hospital, to send our Hospice nurses and doctors to special Hospice training seminars at larger hospitals and to purchase Hospice educational materials for our community and patients, and countless other areas to insure a quality Hospice program for our area.

Ministerial Alliance

by Jamie Casdorff

The Ministerial Alliance met on Thursday, April 11, 2002 at noon in the Panhandle Diner.

Gary Smith opened the meeting with prayer. The minutes were accepted in written form. Beverly Cook gave the Treasurers Report. Fund from the Holy Week Services had been deposited.

New Business: The local radio station approached Ministerial Alliance to help fund Focus on the Family program on the radio. These spots would be paid for by local businesses with advertising spots. Ministerial Alliance voted that in that case there would be a better place for the Alliance's money to be used. No need to advertise the Ministerial Alliance.

Beverly Cook brought a Christmas in Action project to the attention of the Alliance. No cost has yet been projected but would be more than some of the usual projects. She asked for \$1000.00 to be donated by the Alliance to put toward this project or, if this project was not feasible toward one of the many projects to be done this year. The Alliance approved the donation.

Baccalaureate services are to be May 19th; Gary Smith is on the schedule to do this service. Eighth grade service was to be done by Walter Greaser but was informed

at this meeting that Walter would be leaving our community at the end of this month (April). A Discussion was held to have a farewell dinner for him and his wife, Ken Cole to check on a good day. No decision was made on who would be doing the eighth grade service.

The Alliance discussed the opportunity of having 5th Sunday Night Services as a community. No action taken as yet of this endeavor.

Old Business: The Manor does have a sound system in place that can be used. Until further notice the portable sound system will not be purchased so that the funds can be used towards another worthy project.

Discussion held on the need for prayers for our School Board and for the leaders of our Country.

Meeting was adjourned next meeting to be on May 9, 2002.

Those attending were: Beverly Cook, Dennis Alger, Ken & Roberta Cole, Gary Smith, Roland Haney, Patrick Six, and Jamie Casdorff

Gladiola Flower Club

The Gladiola Flower Club met in the home of Judy Yarbrough on April 18th at 3:00 p.m.

President Verna Brown called the meeting to order. Betty introduced the program, which was on Tex Mex cooking and was presented by Peggy Winegarner. A dip she made was served and enjoyed by all. She also handed out some Tex Mex recipes.

Minutes were read and approved. Treasurers report was given.

A letter from the chamber pertaining to the landscaping of the Windmill Park was read. Margarete Evans and Dorothy Buzzard will represent the club.

Judy won the pot plant. Dorothy won home-grown tulip arrangement.

Those present were: Dickie Allen, Verna Brown, Dorothy Buzzard, Betty Davis, Margarete Evans, Eloise Renner, Pam Schnell, Gwen Smith, Virginia Trindle, and hostess Judy Yarbrough.

The next meeting will be held May 2nd in the home of Kathleen Sutton.

Herpeche, Sammy Ray

42 Year Old Male

Address: FM 520/CR4

Morse, TX 79062

Charge: Sexual Assault of a Child

Risk Level: 1

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Hombre de 42 años de edad

Dirreccion: FM 520/CR4

Morse, TX 79062

Cargo: Asalto Sexual de un Nino

Nivel de Riesgo: 1 - Alto Riesgo



Soil and Water Stewardship Week Proclamation

The well-being of our people depends on the production of ample supplies of food, fiber and other products of soil.

The quality and quantity of these products depend upon the conservation, wise use and proper management of soil and water resources.

It is the concern and responsibility of every person to see that soil resources be conserved and managed properly and water quality and quantity be maintained to assure the welfare of all citizens.

Soil and water conservation districts provide a practical and democratic organization through which landowners are taking the initiative to properly use and protect these resources.

Soil and water conservation districts are sponsoring Soil and Water Stewardship Week as a commitment to protecting our renewable resources.

Therefore, I JIM D. BROWN, County Judge of HANSFORD County, in full appreciation of the value of our soil, water and wildlife resources, and desiring to honor those who protect those resources, do hereby proclaim April 28 through May 5, 2002 as Soil and Water Stewardship Week in HANSFORD County, Texas.

In official recognition whereof, I hereby affix my signature this 8th day of April, 2002.

Jim D. Brown
County Judge of HANSFORD County.

An Aviary for Avery?



We would like to introduce you to Avery... Hansford Manor's newest resident! Poor Avery, he needs a new home! We invite you to join us in securing a new home for Avery!

We are currently raising funds for the purchase of a beautiful Oak Creek Aviary for Hansford Manor. It will be populated with finches, canaries and doves. Residents will be able to observe the birds building nests, playing, raising families and going about their "daily chores." The cost of the aviary will be approximately \$6,000. (This includes delivery/setup, birds, bedding, groundcover, etc.)

Hansford County Hospital District Employees have made the first step toward purchase with a donation of \$1,000. We invite you to join us in making a new home for Avery a reality! Look for Avery everywhere... he will be all over town working hard to raise the funds for his new home!

MORSE DAYS

MAY 3RD

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

8:30 - 9:00	RANCH CLIPPING BY COMMUNITY BUILDING
9:30	PIE CONTEST ENTERTAINERS DUE BY COMMUNITY BUILDING
9:45	PARADE ENTERTAINERS RESUME BY HUNTER BLANDFORD
9:50	PARADE ON MAIN STREET
9:55	ENTERTAINERS BY THE PARK
10:00	PIA CELEBRATION WITH FUNKY-MORSE BAND BY PINE
10:05	SHOWS & PHOTO-BOOTHING
10:10	AMERICAN BUILT-IN-ONE BY PINE
10:15	LION'S CLUB MEMORIAL FUND BY PINE
10:20	PIE AUSTION BY PINE
10:30	LIVE ENTERTAINMENT BY JULIE HAY BY PINE
10:40	DANCE BY PINE FOUNDRY
10:50	FIREWORKS BY THE PINE

IN CASE OF THE WEAATHER CHANGES WILL BE HELD BY COMMUNITY BUILDING

Women's Division Spearman Chamber of Commerce Presents

"God Bless Texas"

Miss Hansford Scholarship Pageant

June 4, 2002 at 7:00p.m.
Spearman High School Auditorium

Age Divisions:
Little Miss (4-6) Junior Miss (7-9)
Pre-teen (10-12) Miss Teen (13-16)
Miss Hansford (17-21)

Entry forms available: Chamber of Commerce office, Lady Fair, Kids' Stuff, Dreamer's Salon and in Graves Main Street and My Mother's Garden.

Deadline for entries May 6, 2002
Questions contact Jodie Night 659-3720 or the Spearman Chamber of Commerce at 659-5555.

Teacher Appreciation Week

May 5-11, 2002

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