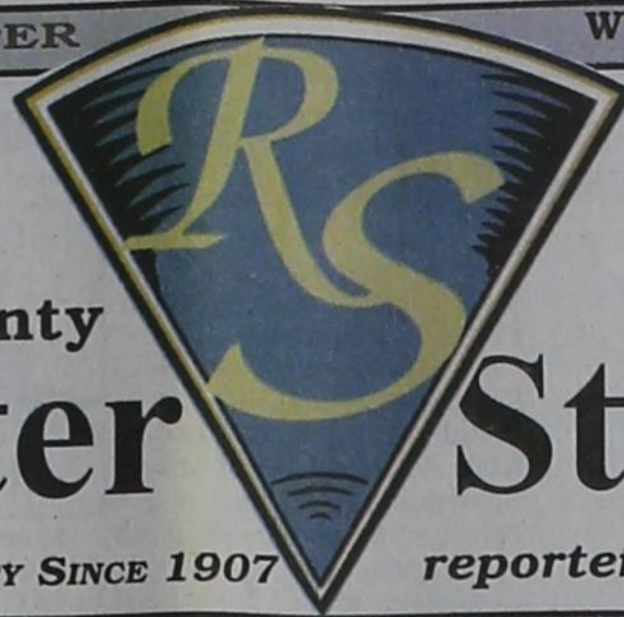




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Fill the Truck

Dr. Margaret Nikol, of Bulgaria, shares the experience that as a child, she only had one, single, solitary page of scripture, which she clung to and cherished. To have even just that one page made her feel tremendously blessed. How many of us have complete Bibles, that for whatever reason, we no longer use? Perhaps we have chosen to study a different translation. People around the world would literally risk their lives for even just one page from the unused Bibles sitting on our shelves.

None of us could stand to discard a Bible. Isn't there a way to get used Bibles into the hands of those who are without? Recently, some Bibles were sent to the Edwin L. Hodges Ministries (ELHM) in Decatur, Alabama. From that donation, it was discovered that ELHM receives donations of not only Bibles, but also all Christian materials. This includes Sunday school quarterlies, daily devotional guides, Bible study materials, VBS materials, commentaries and resource books, music (sheet music to cassettes, to CDs), tapes/CDs of sermons, VHS and DVDs and even non-fiction books. Children, youth and adult materials are accepted; new or dated, slightly or very used. Basically, they are begging for any Christian materials. ELHM sorts and repackages the materials, which are then sent primarily to overseas ministries who are requesting teaching and training materials.

The Servants Sunday School class of First Baptist Church, Spearman, accepted God's call to collect materials for ELHM. The goal is 11,000 lbs of Bibles, books, and materials; yes, that would be 5 1/2 tons! The truth is that if 11,000 lbs of books are collected, ELHM will send a truck to pick up the materials - thus "Fill the Truck" campaign was birthed!

As of July 1st, 2800 lbs. of Bibles, books, and materials have been collected. Being only 1/3 of the way to the goal, we need your help to "Fill the Truck"! We are asking for your church to join us in conducting a campaign to collect Bibles, books and materials. Many Western Christian leaders feel that the best thing we can do to win the world for Christ is to train leaders in their own country. ELHM provides books and materials for libraries so men, women and children can be trained. Through your participation, you, too, can play an important role in winning others to Christ, as well as training leadership. Please join us in our "Fill the Truck" project.

A time for us to pick up the books will need to be arranged prior to or on August 1st. We encourage you to have a short-term campaign, beginning right away. In advance, we thank you!

For more information, or to arrange pick up, please contact Dick or Leann Gillaspie (806-659-3889), Brenda Pierson (806-659-3987), Kent Benton (806-659-3071), or Marcia Shieldknight (806-674-3761)



Members of Troop 551 attended the Shooting Sports Camp at Camp Don Herrington on July 10, 11 & 12, 2009. Those attending were (L-R): Daniel Jarvis, Scoutmaster Will Jarvis, Brock Schroeder, Richard Jarvis, Jake Willimon, Connor Willimon and Matthew Jarvis.

Boy Scouts Attend Sports Shooting Camp

Members of Troop 551 attended the Shooting Sports Camp at Camp Don Herrington on July 10, 11, and 12, 2009. Assistant Scoutmasters Will Jarvis and Mikal Willimon took Scouts Matthew Jarvis, Richard Jarvis, Jake Willimon, Connor Willimon, and Brock Schroeder. Daniel Jarvis also attended.

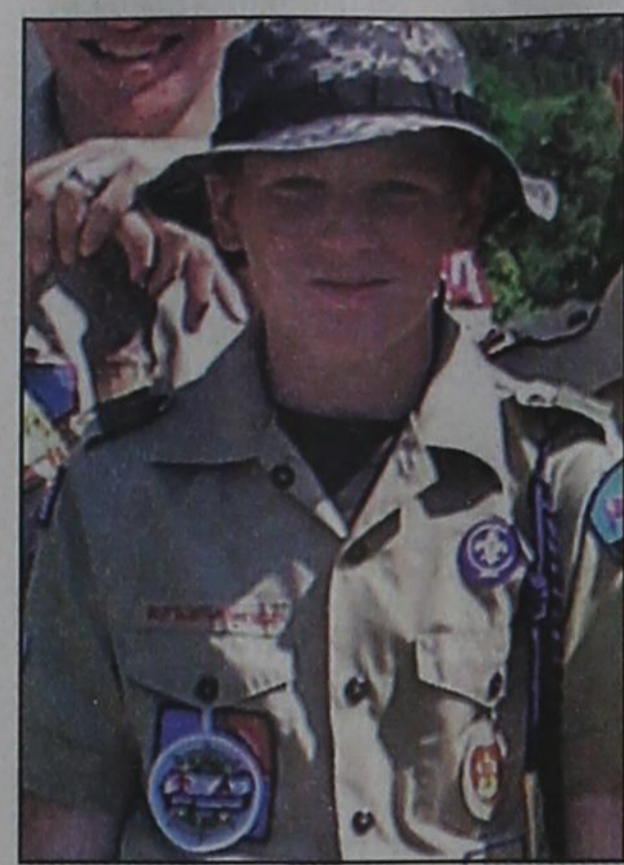
Friday evening, the party registered and set up camp. Saturday, they were exposed to shooting sport disciplines and rules. The Scouts and leaders shot archery, rifle, 5-Stand trap, and Action Archery. There were shooting sports demonstrations and exhibits. The instructors were NRA qualified and the NRA

generously provided some of the camp materials.

At the closing ceremony on Sunday, several scouts and leaders were recognized. Connor Willimon tied for first in Black Powder, and was third in Archery. Matthew Jarvis was first in rifle. In Shotgun, Jake Willimon was first, Connor Willimon, third, and Matthew Jarvis fifth.

The adults also shot. Mikal Willimon was first in shotgun and second in archery. All of the Scouts received the Junior NRA Patch.

The Scouts also received a rocker for shotgun, and a rocker for rifle.



Anderson Serves as NYLT Instructor

Local Boy Scout, Taos Anderson, recently received recognition for being an instructor for National Youth Leadership Training at Camp Don Herrington Boy Scout Camp in Amarillo, TX.

NYLT is a program designed to instruct scouts in leadership, both in and outside of the troop. BSA describes NYLT as a course that "centers around the concepts of what a leader must BE, what he must KNOW, and what he must DO. The key elements are then taught with a clear focus on HOW TO. The skills come alive during the week as the patrol goes on a Quest for the Meaning of Leadership." Taos was chosen from a pool of applicants of former NYLT attendees. Taos, along with fellow scout Jake Willimon attended the training last summer.

Taos instructed the E.D.G.E. portion of the week long training. E.D.G.E. is a GPS based orienteering program. He also assisted in instruction of other portions of the training.

Taos and Jake both plan on attending the National Advanced Leadership Training offered at Philmont Scout Ranch in New Mexico in the summer of 2010.

Taos is the 14 year old son of Tim and Kimberly Anderson and will be a freshman at Gruver High School in the fall.

Weather Forecast

THURSDAY NIGHT - Mostly cloudy in the evening then becoming partly cloudy. A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Lows in the upper 60s. Southeast winds 15 to 20 mph shifting to the northeast around 10 mph after midnight.

FRIDAY - Partly cloudy. Highs in the mid 90s. Southeast winds 10 to 15 mph.

FRIDAY NIGHT - Mostly cloudy with a 30 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Lows in the mid 60s.

SATURDAY - Mostly cloudy with a 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Highs around 90.

SATURDAY NIGHT - Mostly cloudy with a 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Lows in the mid 60s.

SUNDAY - Mostly cloudy. Highs in the lower 90s.

SUNDAY NIGHT - Partly cloudy with a 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Lows in the mid 60s.

MONDAY - Partly cloudy. Highs in the lower 90s.

MONDAY NIGHT - Increasing clouds. A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Lows in the mid 60s.

Texas Crop & Weather

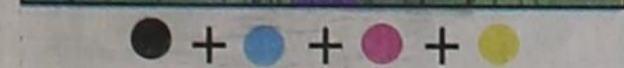
The following specific livestock, crop and weather conditions were reported by Panhandle Extension directors: The entire region was hot and windy with some area highs consistently above 100 degrees. Fields were rapidly drying out. The cotton crop progressed with only light insect problems. Corn and sorghum were doing well, but water usage was climbing because of the heat. All planted crops were reported to be in good condition. The wheat harvest was complete in most counties. Oats were completely harvested. A few feed yards reported cattle losses due to heat. Soil moisture was short, but rangeland and pastures were in fair condition. Cattle were still gaining well.

Spearman Chamber of Commerce's

Yard of the Week

- Steven & Tammy Batton
1021 Townsend
- Richey & Karen Thompson
1104 Linn
- Travis Wolf
26 Golden Circle

If you have a yard you would like to nominate, please contact the Spearman Chamber of Commerce at 659-5555.



The 9-10 year-old Spearman All-Star Baseball team recently competed in the Area Tournament in Borger. After 5 hard-fought games, the team placed 2nd behind Borger. Pictured are: (Front, L-R) Kayla Servantez, Ulysses Garcia, Jordan Seay; (Middle, L-R) David Jackson, Caden Riggins, Daniel Anima, Ignacio Salinas; (Back, L-R) Jonathan Crowl, Alex McDonald, Parker Hanna, Edward McIntyre, Luis Puente. Coaches are Chad Riggins, Jake Howard and Edward McIntyre. Team members not pictured are Orion Kunselman, Rodrigo Ponce, and Rugby Rodman.



The Spearman Chamber of Commerce held a ribbon cutting on Thursday, July 9th for Hansford County Floral Company, located at 300 Main Street. Hansford County Floral Company is owned and operated by Master Florist Stan TeBeest and Glenn Humphreys. (photo submitted)

HANSFORD COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE
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(806) 659-4149 TIPLINE

Here is this weeks Fast Fifty. Remember a Fast Fifty dollars will be giving to anyone giving information on the whereabouts of wanted persons. Anyone wishing to give information for the Fast Fifty can call the Crime Stoppers Tipline at (806) 659-4149 and follow the recorded instructions. Once the information is confirmed and the wanted person is arrested you will receive the Fast Fifty. It's that simple! All callers are kept confidential. Remember Crime Stoppers doesn't want you, just your information!

NAME	LAST KNOWN ADDRESS	CHARGE
Esequiel Baca	Spearman, Texas	No Drivers License
Alma Chavez	Perryton, Texas	Iss. of a Bad Check
Chyne Desiree Doss	Borger, Texas	No Drivers License
Mike Rodriguez	Borger, Texas	Speeding
Christopher Sanchez	Gruver, Texas	Motion to Adjudicate

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Perryton Man Dies in Crash

A Perryton man was killed and another critically injured after their pickup struck two trees Saturday morning. Department of Public Safety officials said.

DPS officials said Shane Allen Vela, 32, and Corey Chance Barnett, 29, were driving on State Highway 15 about 9:30 a.m. when their Chevy pickup left the roadway about two miles west of Darrouzett.

The pickup went behind a guardrail then bounced off one tree before striking a second. The impact ripped the passenger door off, partially ejecting and killing Vela, who was not wearing a seat belt, DPS said.

Barnett, the driver, was taken to Ochiltree General Hospital and then flown by helicopter to Northwest Texas Hospital in critical condition with internal injuries, DPS said. It was not known if he was wearing a seat belt.

CONCEALED HANDGUN CLASS

July 18 - 9 a.m.-5 p.m.
July 19 - 2-6 p.m.

MurMur's Cafe
100 Roland St. - Spearman TX

Instructional Fee - \$125*

For more information, or to register for the class, call Dee Mayfield at 806-330-0269.

Concealed Handgun Licensing



* Does not include Texas Department of Public Safety Concealed Handgun Licensing Fee.

Good Health Naturally

by Darlene Hopkins
I live in Hooker Ok. I am a mother and housewife by profession and a Master Herbalist by choice. I obtained my Herbalist and Master Herbalist Degrees from the School of Natural Healing in Springville Utah. Dr. John Ray Christopher started this school in 1953. I teach classes on Natural Health in Colorado, Kansas, Texas and Oklahoma.

If you have a question, you may e-mail me at theherblady01@yahoo.com.

Some folks think that getting older means getting slower. Its true as we age we may find we can't walk quite as fast, we do not react in sports quite like we use to, we feel aches and pains as we try to climb the stairs we once could climb easily, however, we know that a healthy diet, regular exercise, clean water and good emotional health can make a HUGE difference in our health, strength and mobility as we age. This is true for our mental abilities as well. The good news is, just like our physical health, we can improve how we function mentally. Eating healthy foods and mental exercise can significantly increase our mental endurance; improve our memory and ability to focus.

Did you know that there are foods that can improve your memory? Scientists have discovered that there are foods that can actually improve the memory. "You are what you eat!" What have you been eating? Foods are made up of vitamins and minerals; we will talk about what vitamins help brain function.

Just remember that man made vitamins and GOD made vitamins are different so I suggest you stick to the natural vitamins and try getting what you need through your foods. There is so much information that I want to cover on brain function and memory that I am going to do this in two parts. Next week I will finish this article. I believe this is an important issue for today's lifestyle, whenever I talk to folks about memory they get their pens out and seem to listen just a little better. Poor memory is something that seems to be affecting all of us and there is a reason for that.

I clipped this from web MD, thought you might find this of interest. There are reports that vitamins B, C, E, beta-carotene, and magnesium can boost brainpower. Noralyn L. Wilson, RD, a spokeswoman for the American Dietetic Association says: all of those substances are present in high amounts in real foods. Vitamin C can be found in citrus fruits, and beta-carotene in carrots, spinach, and other dark

green, leafy vegetables. "There's a place for supplements and nutrients," she says, "but they're not substitutes for whole foods."

When we have certain vitamins in the body it helps us to think more clearly. Vitamin B1: Thiamine is essential for the health of the brain. Lack of B1 can cause mental confusion. Foods containing B1 are wheat germ, brewers yeast, green peas, bran, carrots, spinach and nuts. If you are diabetic please do not eat nuts after 2:00 pm and make sure you chew them well. Get raw nuts, not the ones that are roasted and have hydrogenated oil. Raw sunflower seeds are excellent; they have b1, b2, b3, b5 and b6, all of which will be mentioned in this article.

B2: Riboflavin is important in energy production and it helps with memory, b2 is needed, without b2; b3 and b6 cannot do their job effectively. Foods that contain b2 are Almonds, brewer's yeast, Spinach, Soybeans, Mushrooms, leafy green vegetables, sunflower seeds and wild rice

B3: Niacin, a deficiency of niacin produces memory failure. If you are a typical individual who eats healthy meals each day, you have no reason to worry about niacin deficiency. Some niacin rich foods include almonds and seeds, beans, Brown rice, green leafy vegetables, carrots, turnips and celery.

B-5: Pantothenic acid acts as an antioxidant. It helps re-

lease energy from food and keeps the nervous system and skin healthy. We've heard a great deal about antioxidants and their importance. Antioxidants help your immune system but they also enhance the activity of the brain. Foods that have B5 are Sunflower seeds, broccoli, cauliflower, beans and Mushrooms. When eating a well-rounded diet you'll get plenty of vitamin B5, however, processing and cooking destroys some of this vitamin. Dry heat cooking methods such as frying are more likely to deplete the vitamin content. Moist heat cooking such as stewing and poaching will not destroy as much of this vitamin.

B6: what can foods high in vitamin B6 do for you? Support a wide range of activities in your nervous system, promotes proper breakdown of sugar and starches, Vitamin B6 must be obtained from the diet because humans cannot synthesize it. Foods that contain B6 are bananas, spinach, potatoes, carrots and hazel nuts. If you feel fatigue, are anemic, convulsions or seizures and have eczema or dermatitis see if you are getting enough b6 in your diet, as this may be a contributing factor.

Next week I will cover important things like zinc and how it affects our memory, circulation, iron and much more. I appreciate the questions and comments I have received. For herbal questions E-mail me @theherblady01@yahoo.com



MORE BAD NEWS FOR THE STATE BUDGET



by Ed Sterling

State Comptroller Susan Combs has said tax collections in June were more than 11 percent below collections in June of last year. That could translate into a budget shortfall of \$550 million if the economy continues to falter, with only two months left in the fiscal year.

About half the state's general fund budget is derived from sales taxes on consumer spending, and Texans aren't spending like they have in recent years. Cities across the state also are wrestling with falling revenues.

Combs said the biggest decline in revenue was from the oil and gas industry, which benefited last year from higher prices and more drilling activity but which has since fallen off.

Lampasas Publisher to Head State Board of Education

Gail Lowe has been named chairwoman of the controversial State Board of Education. Gov. Rick Perry selected Lowe, co-publisher of the Lampasas Dispatch Record, after the Legislature refused to confirm Bryan dentist Don McLeroy, the previous chairman and Perry's first choice.

Lowe is solidly in the conservative camp on the divided board, but she has remained largely in the background during bruising fights over evolution and teaching the Bible in public schools in Texas.

Board members are already braced for another fight over the social studies curriculum. A curriculum reviewer named by Lowe has said the Bible and religious beliefs should be emphasized in history and government classes.

Board members, elected from 15 districts around the state, select textbooks and set curriculum standards for Texas schools.

UT Poll Shows Perry Ahead in Governor's Race

A new poll by researchers at the University of Texas at Austin has Perry ahead of Republican challenger U.S. Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison among voters who plan to vote in the March 2010 GOP primary. Perry was the choice of 38 percent of those who responded to the pollsters, while Hutchison was the preference of 26 percent.

The wild card, of course, is the huge undecided vote. Fully 34 percent of respondents said they were undecided or planning to vote for someone else. Still, it was good news for Perry after a Rasmussen poll released in May showed him and Hutchison in a dead heat.

Science Curriculum Progressing at UT System Campuses

A program to ramp up science classes at University of Texas campuses around the state has been praised as a great success. The UT System plugged about \$3 billion into the effort, which began in 2006. So far, the plan has resulted in 89 new science faculty members and more than 800,000 square feet of new laboratory, clinical and research space, according to system officials.

While only \$74 million was spent on hiring and retaining faculty members at the system's 15 academic and health sciences campuses, those hires have produced millions more in research grants, officials said.

Gonzales lands at Texas Tech

Former U.S. Attorney General Alberto Gonzales has been appointed a visiting professor at Texas Tech University in Lubbock. Gonzales, who resigned as attorney general in 2007 after a stormy tenure as head of the Justice Department, will teach a course in contemporary issues in the executive branch.

Gonzales previously served as President George W. Bush's general counsel in the White House and as a Texas Supreme Court Justice before

being confirmed as the country's first Hispanic U.S. attorney general. He will earn \$100,000 at Tech.

Steroid Testing Continues to Find Few High School Abusers

Only eight cases of steroid use among Texas high school athletes were confirmed among the more than 16,200 tested from January through May. Since testing began in early 2008 after the Legislature approved the \$6 million measure, more than 45,000 students have been tested for steroid use, and only 19 cases have been confirmed.

Last session, the Legislature cut funding for the program to \$2 million over the next two years.

Child Drownings Concern Health Officials

With 63 cases of children drowning in Texas so far this year, health officials are warning Texans to take precautions and never leave children in a pool alone.

Dr. Pat Crocker, chief of emergency medicine at Dell Children's Medical Center in Austin, said children younger than 4 should never be more than arm's length from a watching adult. Swimming pools should be covered and fences locked. Children over the age of 13 should learn CPR.



Woody Guthrie Festival

by Gary Smith

This past weekend, Cathy and I visited Okemah, Oklahoma. Okemah is the birthplace of legendary songwriter, Woody Guthrie.

Guthrie wrote of the town, "Okemah was one of the singiest, square dancingest, drinkingest, yellingest, preachingest, walkingest, talkingest, laughingest, cryingest, shootingest, fist fightingest, bleedingest, gamblingest, gun, club and razor carryingest of our ranch towns and farm towns, because it blossomed out into one of our first Oil Boom Towns."

I did not find Okemah to be quite as colorful as did Woody, but we did meet some very nice people there.

Each year, for the past twelve years, fans of Woody Guthrie have gathered in Okemah to celebrate the life, times and music of the folk music legend.

This year, songwriters and artists from around the globe met to celebrate and share personal stories and the music of their lives.

While Texas was well represented, there were also visitors from as far away as England, Italy and Australia.

There were indoor and outdoor concerts, poetry readings, movies and more.

At this festival we found good friends, good food and good music. All of this made for a weekend that will be long remembered. The Woody Guthrie Coalition makes the Woody Guthrie Folk Festival possible and there is no charge for attendance.

Although this was our first visit to this wonderful musicfest, I hope it will not be our last.

SUMMER BLOCKBUSTERS

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- Reduced Instruction Set Computer
 - *Elliott to E.T.
 - *The original summer blockbuster?
 - Margarine
 - Charlie "Bird" Parker's sax
 - British story writer H.H.
 - Bound
 - *She starred with Willis in 1997's "The Fifth Element"
 - St. _____, U.S. Virgin Islands
 - *Sparrow's turf in '03 blockbuster
 - Can not
 - Bitter quarrels
 - Cosine
 - Bacchus' attendants, e.g.
 - Very deep
 - Big head
 - They're free in basketball
 - *Where Costner farmed in "Field of Dreams"
 - Sound of water splashing
 - *It took E.T. home
 - Enthusiastic approval
 - SAT, e.g.
 - Automatic reaction
 - Wrath
 - Achieves
 - *What bit Peter
- DOWN**
- Military training in college
 - One of the hipbones, pl.
 - Tiresias in "Oedipus Rex"
 - Organize into code
 - Applied oneself diligently
 - Bears the sky on his shoulders
 - _____ shark
 - *No ordinary walk in this park
 - In a little while, old-fashioned
 - Judicial document
 - Chicago's White _____
 - Lie in wait
 - *This doctor joined Kirk and Spock on big screen
 - Ship or train bed
 - Moonves' company
 - Dividing partition in anatomy
 - End of shoelace
 - Raised glasses
 - Absent in military
 - Water below 0 Celsius
 - Fully informed
 - "See you _____ alligator"
 - Streets in France
 - In a cold manner
 - Produced by in-breeding
 - October stones
 - Many blazes
 - Yachting cap
 - "What's the big _____?"
 - Eye infection
 - Republic of Ireland
 - Extreme anger
 - Unappealing lump of stuff
 - Humor magazine launched in '50s

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Happy Birthday!

July 16
Birthdays - Dave Barkley, Dorothy Hudson, Wesley McCall, Clinton Tindell, Mary Ann Kenney Peters, Jay Pack, Pam Fairfield
Anniversary - Hal & Sara Shufeldt

July 17
Birthdays - Holly Meyer, Debbie Tolleson, Wesley Jarvis, Michael Dodd, Dennis Nelson, Marie Jones, Dr. Tom Latta, Charlie Garcia, Cody Baskin, Karl Bynum, Julie Baca, Veronica Rosales, Kevin Quillin, Denise Smith, Michael Lusby, Coley Griffin
Anniversary - M/M Willie Wilkerson, M/M Dick Thompson, M/M Jim Fowler

July 18
Birthdays - Trixie Holt, Lisa Salmans, Maria Vela Acevedo, Linda McCoy, Cris McClellan, Greg Meek, Sonny Patterson, Shanda Denee Graham, Kathryn Murphy
Anniversary - Jim & Laquita Evans, Scott & Marla Bullard, Tracy & Angela Graham, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Deakin, Kim & Steven Francis

July 19
Birthdays - June Barkley, Joe Lopez Jr., Ronnie Williams, Vincent Garcia, Blake Beedy, Mark Avila, Pauline Nava, Opal Peetre, Amber TeBeest
Anniversary - Ray & Judy Martin, Joey & Lyn Woolley, Don & Carolyn Savage, M/M Corky Chapman, M/M Arlo Shearer

July 20
Birthdays - Elaine Rogers, Arlo Shearer, Vic Schuman, Virginia White, Thomas Reed, Cal Nava, Mary Barnes, Meli Floyd Burgess, Bruce Bailey, Neale Estes, Sylvia Herara, Cheryl Wall, Braxton Crane
Anniversary - Rick & Jan Howard, M/M Eric Brown, M/M Joe Archer Sr., M/M Mike Garnett, M/M F.W. Thomas

July 21
Birthdays - Tasha Haight Hiles, Larry Kennedy, Clint Lilley, Trevor Shearer, Earl Goodheart, Jewell Turner, Ross Donahue, Josephine Schneider, Kirk Davis, Jessica Woolley, Ron Robinson, Barbara Farr, Larry Blackwell, Mary K. Harbour, Van Bradford, Ty Seagler, Matt Salazar
Anniversary - Jeff &

Michelle Beedy, M/M Thomas Reyes, M/M Johnnie Williams, Mr. and Mrs. Chad Logsdon

July 22
Birthdays - Robert Reid, Joe Cole, Tiffany Hand, Luke Pittman, Flavil Ayers, Edith Phillip, Jack Karlin, Danny Rushing
Anniversary - Jim Davis, M/M Roy Mayhew, Stephanie & Kyler Bates

July 23
Birthdays - Linda Beeson, Becky Leach, Peggy Winegarner, Travis Bennett, Elivina Rodriguez, Mark Schoenhals, Grace Kirk, Keith Sumner, Austen Strawn

July 24
Birthdays - Kaylee Holt, Christina Sanchez, Neil Pack, Irven Barber, Tammy Freeman, Glen Ray Mackie, Maria Arjona, Ray Gressett, Sophia Salgado, Mary McIntyer, Nathan Pipkin, Mary Martinez, Aaron Winegarner, Adam Cherry, Shannon Acker, Mattie Yanke, Taylor Tice
Anniversary - M/M Lynn Boyd

July 25
Birthdays - Robbie Butts, Brooke Lesly, Rhonda Baker

July 26
Birthdays - Raquel Matthews Whitehead, George P. Odom, Jolain Ball, Jerry Long, Nell Benton, Ronnie Bullard, Rubyjo Wilbanks, Tammi Holmes, Traci Lane, Misty Payne, Cayla Smith, Oscar Valdez, Mini Largent, DeeDee De-LaRosa, Jennifer Covington
Anniversary - M/M Sergio Vaquera, M/M Danny Henson

July 27
Birthdays - Tracy Bevil, Misty Kauffman, Bobby Don Smith, Nancy McIntyre, Kay Beeson, Bob Dennis, Frank Salgado Jr., Olivia Renteria, Michael Wayne Ross, Carl Kizzar, Donny McMahan, Josh Lackey, Robin Capps, Ashley Swan, Ryan Phillips, Able Eaton, Valerie Burnum
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Our Sympathy

SHANE ALLEN VELA

PERRYTON - Shane Allen Vela, 32, died Saturday, July 11, 2009.

Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Thursday, July 16, 2009 in Immaculate Conception Catholic Church with Monsignor Joe Bixenman officiating. Burial will be in Ochiltree Cemetery by Boxwell Brothers Funeral Home of Perryton.

Mr. Vela was born Dec. 1, 1976, in Perryton, where he had lived for 28 years, moving from Spearman. He was a pumper and a member of Immaculate Conception Catholic Church.

Survivors include his parents, Junior and Judy Vela of Perryton; a stepson, Alex Baca of Perryton; a daughter, Pricillia Vela of Perryton; a son, E.J. Vela of Perryton; a brother, Jayme Vela of Perryton; a sister, Mandy Hernisillo of Perryton; and his grandparents, Eusebio Vela of Rio Grande City and Pauline Bright of Cache, Okla.

PHYLLIS OWENS

SPEARMAN - Phyllis Owens, 94, died Saturday, July 11, 2009.

Graveside services were at 11 a.m. Tuesday, July 14, 2009 in Hansford Cemetery with the Rev. Jim Medley officiating. Arrangements were by Boxwell Brothers Funeral Home of Spearman.

Mrs. Owens was born Oct. 19, 1914, in Shattuck, Okla., and had lived in Spearman since 1936. She married Claude Owens on Nov. 13, 1938, in Clovis, N.M. He preceded her in death in 1989. Phyllis was a bookkeeper. She and her husband owned and operated Owens Sales Co. in Spearman for 21 years until 1973. She loved to crochet afghans and sew.

Survivors include a daughter, Judy Elliott and husband Bill of Amarillo; two grandsons, Darren Elliott of Midlothian and Trent Elliott of Flower Mound; and four great-grandchildren, Garrett Elliott of Midlothian and Elizabeth Elliott, Drew Elliott and Wade Elliott, all of Flower Mound.

The family suggests memorials be to Hansford Cemetery, 707 E. Second St., Spearman, TX 79081; or Hansford Hospice, 707 Roland St., Spearman, TX 79081.



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ROBERT CARROLL REED

STRATFORD - Robert Carroll Reed, 75, formerly of Stratford, died Tuesday, June 30, 2009, in Bakersfield, Calif. Memorial services were at 11 a.m. Saturday, July 11, 2009 in First Baptist Church with the Rev. Jason Stone, pastor, officiating. Private burial was in Stratford Cemetery by Morrison Funeral Directors.

Carroll was born March 5, 1934, in Stratford to William Glenn and Mildred Ione Reed. He was one of four children.

He graduated in 1952 from Stratford High School, and in 1954 he married his high school sweetheart, Cynthia Gamble. He served his country in the U.S. Army and then went to college at Texas Tech University. He received a Bachelor of Science and Master of Science in mathematics. He then pursued additional graduate studies in math from the University of New Mexico.

After college, he worked for the Los Alamos National Laboratory for the United States Energy Department from 1959 to 1962. He primarily worked on the IBM computer. It was a joint effort pioneering the way for computer evolution over the next two decades.

Carroll served in many technical and management capacities in the corporate world. He worked for several companies including Computer Sciences Corp., Citicorp and Bank of America.

While in the banking industry, he was one of the key contributors to the research and development of the modern ATM and the credit card machine at gasoline stations. He left the TTI/Citicorp to become one of the original founders of Tera-data Corp., heading up research and development.

Carroll was a very private person and his family always came first in his life. He instilled core values in his children and grandchildren which were passed on to him by his parents.

For the last 48 years, he enjoyed life with family and friends while living in California. He had been a resident of Rancho Palos Verdes for more than 40 years before retiring to Bakersfield.

He was a beloved husband, father and grandfather.

He was preceded in death by a sister, Cynthia Schoenhals. Survivors include his wife of 55 years, Cynthia; a son, Larry Reed; a daughter, Cari Burnett and husband Ian; two brothers, Jack Reed and wife Gwen of Spearman and Bill Reed and wife Margaret of Stratford; four grandchildren, Krystal and Stephanie Burnett, Marine Pfc. Robert Thomas Reed and Michael Reed; and numerous nieces and nephews.

The family suggests memorials be to American Heart Association, P.O. Box 15186, Austin, TX 78761.

The family will be at 1006 N. Maple St. in Stratford. Sign the online guest book at www.morrisonfuneraldirectors.com

Quote of the Month

"Many a small thing has been made large by the right kind of advertising."
 Mark Twain

"If you want others to be happy, practice compassion. If you want to be happy, practice compassion."
 The Dalai Lama

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He has showed you, O man, what is good. And what does the LORD require of you? To act justly and to love mercy and to walk humbly with your God.
 Micah 6:8

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Medical Fund for Nancy DeLuna Jernberg
A medical fund has been established for Nancy DeLuna Jernberg of Stinnett. Nancy was diagnosed with a rare malignant brain tumor and will be undergoing treatment. If you would like to make a contribution you may make a deposit with any teller or mail a donation to H&H Federal Credit Union, 104 Main Street, Stinnett TX 79083.

Revival at Apostolic Faith Church
The Apostolic Faith Church at 822 S. Drensen is having a revival July 15th through 19th with Jana Eaton from Elkins, Arkansas. Jana grew up in the Beaver, OK area and is the daughter of Glen and Ilene Sanger. She and her husband, Rex, are part of a gospel quartet with her brother-in-law and sister, Rev. Billy and Rhonda Waggoner, also from Elkins, Arkansas. The services will begin at 7 p.m. each evening, Wednesday-Saturday, and 6 p.m. on Sunday evening. Everyone is invited to come and worship with us during these special services.

Spearman High School Athlete Physicals
Free physicals for male athletes will be given July 29th (Wednesday) in the High School Library at the following times: Seniors - 1 p.m., Juniors - 1:30 p.m., Sophomores - 2 p.m., Freshmen - 2:30 p.m., 8th Grade - 3 p.m., 7th Grade - 3:30 p.m. **Free physicals for female athletes** will be given on August 5th (Wednesday) in the High School Library at the following times: Seniors & Juniors - 9 a.m., Sophomores & Freshmen - 9:30 a.m., 8th Grade & 7th Grade - 10 a.m. Please make sure the medical history form is completed and signed before taking the physical. If you have not received the physical form in the mail one week before your scheduled physical then call (806-549-3205) or come by the field house for a new form.

Lynx Football Camp
The Lynx Football Camp will be held July 27-30th at the HS Football Field for all incoming 4th-9th graders. The Lynx football staff is looking forward to seeing all of our athletes and teaching them the fundamentals of football. This will be a great opportunity for all our athletes to get in extra work and meet the new coaches on staff. Registration will begin at 9:15 am and the cost is \$15 (includes t-shirt). Pre-registration is not required. Just show up and register on Monday, July 27th. Camp will be from 10 a.m.-12 noon each day.

9th Annual Benefit Rib Cook-Off
Hansford County 9th Annual Benefit Rib Cook-Off will be held Saturday, July 18th at the Z Ranch (maps to the Z Ranch are available at Hansford Implement, Five Star Equipment, Gruver Parts & Supply, Farm Supply Inc., and the Hansford County Courthouse). Judging of Ribs, Alligator, Side Dishes and Dessert will be held at 6 p.m., followed by dinner at 6:30 p.m. Donations will benefit Carla Willimon, Mandy Lusby, Jade Red and Kathy Lindsay. Live music will be provided by "Wooden Nickel." Anyone wishing to attend is invited to bring lawn chairs and a side dish or dessert! Meat was donated by local merchants. For more information, call Barbara or Paul Stavlo at 733-2600 or Mike Cudd at 659-5030.

Golden Spread Center Radio Auction Planned
The O'Loughlin Center will be hosting the Golden Spread Center's annual KXDJ-FM Radio Auction on August 22, 2009. Donations of handmade items, goods, services, good furniture, cars, boats, golf carts, etc. are greatly appreciated. Funds will benefit the Golden Spread Center. To make your charitable donation, call Jada Breeden at 806-659-3030.

Fire Department Donations
Persons wishing to make donations to the Fire Departments in Hansford County may do so at the following addresses: Spearman Fire Dept., Box 37, Spearman TX 79081; Gruver Fire Dept., Box 947, Gruver TX 79040 or Morse Fire Dept., Box 28, Morse TX 79062

Take Off Pounds Sensibly Meets
Take Off Pounds Sensibly (TOPS) meets on Tuesday morning at 8:30 a.m. at the First Christian Church in Gruver. Anyone interested is invited. Contact Marilyn Been at 806-733-2087.

IRS won't e-mail you about your refund
If you get an e-mail about your tax refund that appears to be from the Internal Revenue Service, don't be fooled. It's probably coming from internet thieves looking to steal your personal information, like credit card or bank account numbers. "Many folks have tax refunds coming back this time of year, and crooks might take advantage of that fact," Sanford said if the IRS needs to contact you, they will generally send a notice or letter through the U. S. Mail. Delete bogus IRS e-mails or forward them to phishing@irs.gov.

Third Marine Division Association
The Third Marine Division Association is holding its 55th Annual Reunion in San Antonio, TX on August 24-30th. Any Marines who have served in the Third Marine Division, or were attached to the Third Marine Division in WWII, Korea, Vietnam, Persian Gulf, Iraq, Afghanistan and Peacetime, are invited to attend. For more information, call Mike Sohn at 210-654-3310, or e-mail at jumient2@hotmail.com.

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Region 16 ESC offers Free GED Preparation Software
Region 16 ESC is offering free GED preparation software for students interested in obtaining a GED. You will also have access to a free online GED prep program through the public library. If you are interested in finding out more information about these services, please contact: Cindy Blackman at 659-3233, Maria Carbajal or Margaret Ruttman at 659-2231 or stop by the Hansford County Library.

Panhandle Crisis Center Outreach Office
Panhandle Crisis Center (PCC) has an Outreach Office and Resale Store at 306 Hancock, in Spearman. In case of emergencies, please continue to call the hotline, 1-800-753-5308. To schedule an appointment with a worker in Hansford County, please call 659-3391 to leave a message, or call the hotline number above. Panhandle Crisis Center serves victims of domestic violence and sexual assault. Please call for more information. Hours for the Spearman Resale Store are: Mon., Tues., Thurs., & Fri., 10 a.m.-5 p.m.

Quote of the Month

If I could drop dead right now, I'd be the happiest man alive.

Samuel Goldwyn



Engagement Announcement

Tindle and Kristi Ramon of Spearman, Texas are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter, Amber Kristine, to Dustin Stanley King, son of David and Martha King of Bakersfield, California.

Amber is a 2004 graduate of Oklahoma State University and a 2007 graduate of Texas Tech University School of Law. Amber currently works as an attorney for the civil litigation firm of Brown & Komegay LLP in Houston, Texas.

Dustin is a 2004 graduate of California State University Bakersfield and a 2007 graduate of Texas Tech University School of Law. Dustin currently works as a criminal defense attorney for the Law Office of Todd Overstreet in Houston, Texas.

The couple will wed on October 17, 2009, at the Tuscan Villa in Katy, Texas.

Grandparents of the bride-elect are Serafin and VaLois Ramon of Goodwell, Oklahoma and Vickie Orth of Asher, Oklahoma. Grandparents of the prospective groom are Mildred and the late Arnold Jackson of Needles, California and the late William and Meda King of Needles, California.

You are invited to a
Baby Girl Shower
honoring
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Claire (Zellers) & Richard Varnon
Adrienne (Simpson) & Brent Jackson

Baby Registry
Haley Tindell & Felix Lopez - 7/18 (girl)
Detsi & T.J. Evans - 8/15 (girl)
Whitney & Tim Owens (girl)
Christen & Michael Lozano (girl)
Tiffany Hand & Chancey Servantes (girl)
Justine Rosales & Skyler Sumner (boy)
Brianna (Burkhammer) & Eric Eslick (boy)
Amee Boyd (boy)
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Mika (McLain) & Matthew Devaney (boy)
Kandi & Jared Johnson (girl)

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Words from Faith & Grace



by Cecil R. Biggers, Lutheran Lay Minister

In the seventh week of Pentecost, we study Jeremiah 23: 1-6, Psalm 23, Ephesians 2: 11-22, and Mark 6: 30-34, 53-56. Jeremiah, the prophet, delivers the warning of God to the shepherds who scatter the flock of Israel. The leaders of Israel are turning from God's ways and teaching their own. God warns that He will deliver his people and raise up new shepherds to lead them. This is a message for our own time, our own shepherds. Woe to the leaders who follow their own career goals and ignore the responsibilities of their position. Woe to the church leaders who seek more for themselves than for bringing the Word of God to others.

Psalm 23 is a psalm of trust. Trust/Faith in God regardless of the situation in which we, believers, find ourselves. The King James version of this psalm is beautiful, but the newer translations are perhaps closer to the original language, when the closing verse is rendered, "Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord my whole life long." We are assured of God's loving presence not only in the valley of death (KJV) but when we trod the "darkest valley" (NRSV). Whether we are in the darkness of death, fear or depression, God is with us, comforting us, sustaining us.

Paul emphasizes that Jesus Christ has removed the barriers that separated Jew and Gentile. Jesus Christ reconciled Jew and Gentile and reconciled both to God. Those who had no knowledge of the covenants, of the promises based on the covenants are brought "near" to God. We have seen that modern communications have made the world a neighborhood; we as Christians are given the task of making the world a brotherhood. The Latin phrase, ubi christus, ibi ecclesia, which in English means "Where Christ is, there is Church", expresses this idea. The passage concludes telling us that Christ has brought peace; the word translated peace is shalom [Heb.] which means total happiness, total harmony with nature, with self and with God.

Mark tells of the disciples returning from their initial mission, tired and Jesus invites them to come way with him and rest for awhile. We see that the Christian life is a constant going into the presence of God from the presence of men; and, then coming out of the presence of God into the presence of men. Jesus had compassion on the crowds who met them, while the disciples sought rest. Note that each person in the crowd was seeking Jesus because they wanted something from Him. We see here the danger of being too busy doing to take time to be alone with God; we see here the danger of spending too much time going through the motions of religion withdrawn from the world; we see the danger of our treating our families as being there for our needs and our convenience; we see the danger of our treating our friends as being there only to help us; we see the danger of our using the Church to serve only our needs; we even see the danger of trying to use God by only seeking Him when we need help.

The Christian life is a journey; a journey with Jesus as our companion.

Evelyn Underhill once said to the effect that Christ is the Good Shepherd and we who act as pastors are like sheep-dogs. Sometimes we help the Shepherd, sometimes we just bark a lot.

May the Holy Spirit be with you now and always. Shalom.

You are invited to a
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Wolf Creek Heritage Museum Notes

MUSEUM HAPPENINGS

It was HOT and quiet around here last week. Visitors were delighted to come into our cool environment - especially our locals when the electricity was off for some of us last week. On Wednesday it was quiet due to the absence of Ann and Georgia who were away taking care of family. The rest of us were busy addressing invitations for our reception this Saturday.

Mark your calendars and join us Saturday from 4-7 p.m. for a reception and book signing for Jean Weis, Rebecca Ashley, Cary Nell Huff, and Joanne Watson. Elaine Littau will also be here for her new book "Elk's Resolve." It promises to be a delightful afternoon.

Next on our schedule will be the museum sponsored garage sale on August 1st at the Darrouzett Legion Hall. Tables are available for \$10. Please call 806-852-2123 to reserve your table. We will set up on Friday, July 31st. Look for the posters.

I traveled to Post, TX for our quarterly meeting of the Northwest Texas Museum Association. Their museum is located in the old hospital and has exhibits for Garza County and many of their early founders. Next door is the Heritage Center that serves as the community conference center. Post is a very unique and interesting town. We enjoyed the program on developing "trunk exhibits" and networking with other museums. All in all a busy productive week.

HISTORICAL MUSINGS

In the August 19, 1887 issue of the *Panhandle Interstate*, the editors published a letter from J.R. Farra written to his Hometown newspaper in Siquorney, Iowa describing life in the Ivanhoe, Public Strip, Indian Territory. I offer his observations for this weeks history:

"The strip is said to be 30 miles wide and 164 miles long. The Canadian River, or Beaver, as it is more familiarly called, and the Cimarron River traverse its entire length from west to east. Both

streams are very salty, more particularly so the Cimarron. The lands along the streams are mostly timbered with cotton wood, hackberry and China wood. The lands are very sandy and seem to produce fine corn; how long it may endure I cannot say, but I would not live on either stream for untold wealth. During a gale, or sand storm, which are frequent, no man or living creature can face or travel against the wind for the flying of the sand; why, it would leave your face and uncovered hands almost a pulp, the winds being so strong as to hurl large parcels of gravel through the air at break-neck speed. It also costs considerable to put much of this land in cultivation, as it is covered with sagebrush, which has roots from 3 to 9 inches in diameter. The lands in the western portion of the Strip, along many streams that put into the Beaver and Cimarron, are very broken and sandy and more like the soil along the larger streams. In the eastern and southern portion, bordering on the Panhandle of Texas and the Indian Territory the lands are much better, very little sand and lying in section tracts, but as to the quality of farm lands I have my serious doubts whether they will be productive or not. But there is

no doubt of this being one of the best grazing countries man ever saw. There is quite a bitter feeling existing between the cattlemen or cow boys as they are commonly called and the granger settlers, most of the settlers being too poor to fence their crops. Cattle will get upon their crops and then a little shooting is the result. Each settlement forms committees and enacts laws of their own, as no law exists so far as states or the government is concerned. In the portion of the Strip where I have spent most of my time there are no committees or organization of any kind and the people get along much better than where they have organizations. A man with small means and a comfortable home in Iowa or any of her sister states, are simply damn fools to come to this land of rattle snakes, tarantulas, centipedes, lizards, fleas, bed bugs, buffalo gnats, and many other annoying reptiles and insects. I am going down on the Red Deer in Texas on a few day's hunt for wild horses and expect a wild chase."

Not exactly a recruitment letter. The only thing he did not cover is the temperature - heat and cold.

Enjoy the week and stay inside.

NPGWCD and Texas Agrilife Research to Develop Practicable Farm Groundwater Managements Methods

At their July 10, 2009 meeting, the Board and Texas AgriLife Research representatives discussed the use of the District's North Plains Agriculture Research Field to develop practicable farm groundwater management methods to maintain the future economic viability of the Northern High Plains. Texas AgriLife Research has long leased the Research Field from the District. Today's aquifer condition requires that additional research to provide water conservation management information to producers that can be used to stretch groundwater resources in the region. The District and Texas AgriLife Research are developing a mutual plan to provide improved reduced crop irrigation data that guides both District policies and the future of irrigated agriculture on the Northern High Plains. In addition to developing additional water conservation research, the District is expanding its groundwater conservation education programs to work directly with area growers.

The Board officially accepted donations from the Texas Cattle Feeders Association, Texas Corn Producers Board and Texas Pork Producers Board to assist in the completion of a socioeconomic study on the effects of reduced allowable annual production of groundwater on

the local economy. The District appreciates the contributions from these organizations because they understand that groundwater is the lifeblood of their industries and the agriculture economy of the Northern High Plains.

The Board reviewed its groundwater production metering program. The District's metering program is one of the most comprehensive programs in the State. Since 2005, the District has required well owners in the District to measure and report their groundwater production. Before the District implemented its metering program, groundwater production in the area could only be indirectly measured by estimating the amount of crop water consumption then estimating the total number of crop acres grown. Generally the previous estimates were based on optimum farming conditions. Steve Walthour, District General Manager says "Optimum

farming conditions almost never happen".

The Board held two hearings regarding two producers who failed to file their 2008 annual production reports and authorized proposed compliance settlements for six other producers. In other business, the Board discussed its well spacing and domestic well rules, reviewed a draft of the general manager's proposed 2009-2010 Budget, and approved an administrative fee for the staff to file producing property documents with the counties on behalf of well owners and approved well permit fee adjustments to begin in October.

North Plains Groundwater Conservation District's mission is to maintain our way of life through conservation, protection, and preservation of our groundwater resources. More information on the North Plains Groundwater Conservation District is available on line at www.npwd.org or by calling (806) 935-6401.

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Agriculture News

Wheat crop planning conference planned for July 29 in Pampa

With wheat planting time just around the corner, Texas AgriLife Extension Service personnel are advising producers to make some timely decisions now that will affect harvest months away.

Many early decisions can improve the quality and yield at harvest time, said Brandon McGinty, AgriLife Extension agriculture and natural resources agent in Gray County.

A wheat crop planning conference is scheduled from 11:30 a.m. - 4 p.m. on July 29 in the Gray County Annex in Pampa. Every aspect of planning a crop will be addressed, McGinty said.

The program will open with registration, lunch and a Texas Wheat Producers Board update. Afternoon topics of discussion are: variety selection, soil fertility, seeding, diseases, irrigation issues, insects and price protection strategies.

Registration for the event is free, but producers are asked to RSVP on or before July 24, so that lunch preparations can be made. Three continuing education units will be offered to pesticide applicators in the form of two general and one integrated pest management.

The event is being sponsored by AgriLife Extension in Carson, Gray, Armstrong and Roberts counties.

For more information, contact McGinty in Gray County at 806-669-8033; Jody Bradford in Carson County at 806-537-3882; Kyle Stewart in Armstrong County at 806-226-3021; or Brandon Dukes in Roberts County at 806-868-3191.

The ethanol and dairy tours will focus on use of grain sorghum for ethanol and utilizing forage sorghums in the diets of dairy cattle, Bean said. Advanta and Richardson Seed are two of the sorghum leaders in producing new grain and forage sorghum hybrids in this region.

Speakers from Texas, Oklahoma, Kansas and New Mexico will cover a range of disciplines including: agronomy, physiology, biotechnology, utilization, pathology and entomology, he said. During the educational programs, participants will have an opportunity to view posters and presentations from graduate students on their latest research findings.

The field tour will run from 8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Aug. 12. This tour at the Texas AgriLife Research-Bush Farm and the U.S. Department of Agriculture-Agricultural Research Service Conservation and Production Research Laboratory at Bushland should be of particular interest to producers, Bean said.

More than 50 sorghum silage, sweet sorghum and new bioenergy sorghum hybrids will be viewed under both irrigated and dryland conditions, he said.

A second stop will feature weed-control advances in grain sorghum, Bean said. These will include sorghum lines that are tolerant to herbicides such as Accent, Steadfast, Classic, Assure and others. Weed control results with other promising new herbicides such as Huskie and Sharpen also will be presented.

The final stop will feature limited irrigation and scheduling on the development and productivity of sorghum, he said.

Registration forms can be

found on the United Sorghum Checkoff Web site: <http://www.sorghumcheckoff.com>.

For Sorghum Improvement Conference of North America members, early registration by July 20 will be \$15 for students and \$25 for all others. On-site registration will be \$35.

Bean said producers should feel free to attend all or part of the conference and field tours at no charge. This will include a free lunch on both days and dinner on Aug. 11.

Wheatheart Wheat Conference Slated

The 11th Annual Wheatheart Wheat Conference will be held on Thursday, August 13, 2009 at the Ochiltree County Expo Center in Perryton, TX.

Registration will begin at 8 a.m., with programs starting at 8:30. A meal will be sponsored by Equity.

Topics will include: Wheat Insects and their Management, Wheat Marketing and Risk Management, Seed Wheat Quality and Seed Treatments, Carbon Credits / Cap & Trade, Dual Purpose Wheats and TDA * Pesticide Laws & Regulations.

For more information call Burt Williams, Texas AgriLife Extension Service for Hansford County, at (806) 659-4130.

Extension programs serve people of all ages regardless of socioeconomic level, race, color, sex, religion disability or national origin. The Texas A&M University System, U.S. Department of Agriculture, and the County Commissioners Courts of Texas Cooperating.

Three CEUs for pesticide applicators and 1 Laws & Regulation and 1 general IMP will be issued.



Local Students Attend SWOSU Middle School Band Camp

Nearly 260 middle school students attended Southwestern Oklahoma State University's 21st annual Middle School Band Camp held June 28-July 1 on the Weatherford campus. The camp, which was for students who have completed grades five through seven, concluded with a concert by the different bands. Among those attending the camp from Gruver TX were (front from left): Bailey Stedje, Kennedy King and Zoe Cantrell. Back row from left—Madison Williams, Vanessa Garcia, Nicholas Key and Trenton Finley.



Spearman ISD Kids Kamp 2009

All students in Spearman, Gruver & Morse invited to Kids Kamp 2009! Summer Fun all Summer Long!

July 22: Lyric Matinee will sponsor a age appropriate movie beginning at 10 a.m. The cost of the movie is \$6 and includes coke and popcorn. This camp is for grades K-5.

July 27-30: Spearman Lynx Football Camp is sponsored by Stephen Rodman and the Lynx coaching staff. The cost of camp is \$15 and will be held at Lynx stadium at Spearman High School. Camp will focus on fundamentals of football and technique. Grades 4-9; 10 a.m. - 12 Noon; \$15

August 4-6: We've Got Spirit Cheer Camp is sponsored by Spearman High School Cheerleaders. Registration is the first day of camp at 8:30am in the Spearman High School Cafeteria. The other two days of camp start at 9 a.m. and end at 11:45. Spirit sticks will be handed out each day at 11:45. \$10 per day or \$25 for all three days

August 12: Lyric Matinee will begin at 10:30 a.m. The movie will be an age appropriate for grades K-5. The price is \$6 and includes admission, coke and popcorn.

For more information, or to register, contact Cindy Blackman, Community Resource Coordinator, at 659-3233.

Great Plains Sorghum Conf. scheduled Aug. 11-12 in Amarillo

Two days of informative meetings and field tours are planned for the Great Plains Sorghum Conference and Sorghum Improvement Conference of North America, to be held Aug. 11-12 in the Amarillo area.

The meeting will start at 8 a.m. Aug. 11 with presentations at the Texas AgriLife Research and Extension Center in Amarillo. The presentations will be followed by afternoon tours of an ethanol plant, dairy, Advanta and Richardson Seed, said Dr. Brent Bean, Texas AgriLife Extension Service agronomist and coordinator of the event.

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The public hearing will be held on July 29, 2009 at 10:00 a.m. at the appraisal district office.

A summary of the appraisal district budget follows:

The total amount of the proposed budget:	\$331,210
The total amount of increase from the current year's budget	+ 15,473
The number of employees compensated under the proposed budget	4
The number of employees compensated under the current budget	4

The appraisal district is supported solely by payments from the local taxing units served by the appraisal district.

If approved by the appraisal district board of directors at the public hearing, this proposed budget will take effect automatically unless disapproved by the governing bodies of the county, school districts and cities served by the appraisal district.

A copy of the proposed budget is available for public inspection in the office of each of those governing bodies. A copy is also available for public inspection at the appraisal district office.

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Lake Level--July 13, 2009--20.66 feet (-.34)

The over 100 degree temperatures have slowed activity since the Fourth of July to a crawl. Fishermen come at night.

Three campers came behind the dam, but the two who had parked on the office side came to Jim and said they couldn't get their RVs cool, so they were going home. Jim, being a nice fellow, refunded their money.

Barn Owls

The Kenneth Harris family has enjoyed watching six young barn owls start their life in an old metal granary on their ranch north of Morse on the Palo Duro Creek. The granary was to be razed this summer, but when the little door to it was opened, they

found seven little monkey-faced owls staring back. A reprieve was given, and visitors sometimes got to take a peek at the babies. The little runt did not make it, but the other six thrived and grew on all the varied rodents the parents fed them.

The barn owls are noted for their phenomenal hearing. They can pinpoint prey in total darkness. It seems that

the heart-shaped facial disc helps funnel sound into their ears. Their flight is silent. This all adds up to mice and rat eradicators.

The darker birds are always females, and the lighter ones are males.

The owls pictured below were seen at the Hansford County Gun Club firing range between Gruver and Spearman.



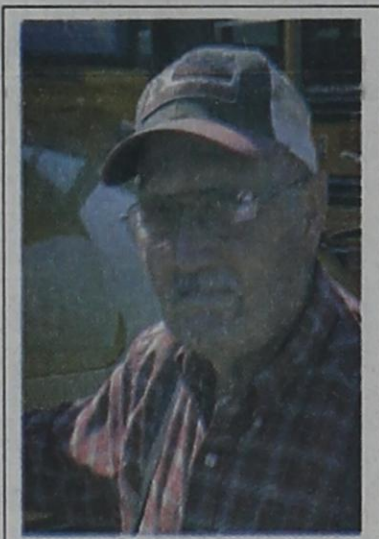
Baby Finn

Finnten Jack Neumeier

7:53 a.m., July 1, 2009 - Liberal, KS
7 pounds, 7 ounces, 20 inches long
Parents: Nicole & Eric Neumeier
Proud Big Brother: Preston Zackary
Grandparents: Kristi & Tindle Ramon; Judy & Corey Beasley; Eric Neumeier, Sr.
Great-grandparents: VaLois & Fin Ramon, Vicki Orth, Catherina & Vicente Costilla, Sandra & Murray Beasley, Judith & Lanny Harruf
Aunts & Uncles: Amber Ramon, Dustin King Ryan Ramon, Mattie Beasley, Sadie Beasley
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It's A Boy!

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Bob Hill



as he retires as Spearman ISD Transportation Director on Thursday, July 30, 2009 from 5:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. in the High School Library.

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Saturday, July 18, 2009 at the Z Ranch*

6:00 p.m. Rib, Side Dish & Dessert Judging

6:30 p.m. Dinner



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