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SHS Homecoming

Thursday, September 11 - Junior Varsity at Boys Ranch, 8:00 p.m.
Snake dance to begin near dark at the parking lot of the high school

Friday, September 12 - All-School Homecoming Pep Rally and crowning of Homecoming Queen 2003, 2:30

FFA Homecoming Meal for public, beginning at 5:30 p.m. in the high school cafeteria.

Homecoming game, Spearman Vs. Stratford, 7:30 p.m.

Homecoming Dance at high school cafeteria following game until 1:00

Sunday, September 14 - First Annual Booster Club Golf Tourney



Hansford County Football

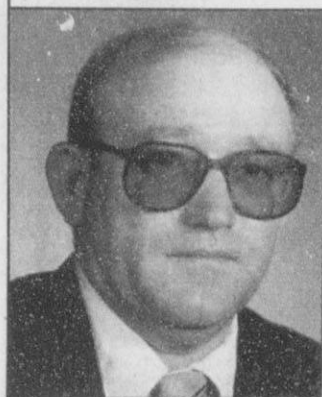
Left: Lynx running back Marcus Vasquez scores one of his two touchdowns during Friday night's game against the White Deer Bucks. The Lynx won with a final score of 33-0. (Photo by Gary Smith)

Below: Gruver Greyhound Garrett Miner brings down the Texhoma Red Devil quarterback during their clash on Friday night. The Greyhounds fell to Texhoma, 48-14. (Photo by Charlie Johnson)

The Lynx will host Stratford on Friday for Homecoming. Pre-game activities begin at 7, with kick-off at 7:30 p.m.

The Greyhounds will travel to Panhandle this Friday night for a 7:30 p.m. game against the Panthers.

Coach Frick Memorial Weight Room



the late Coach Doug Frick

The memory of Coach Doug Frick was honored at the dedication of the Coach Frick Memorial Weight Room Friday, September 5.

Four red and black ribbons across the opening of the weight room were cut by Frick's widow Peggy cutting the first, and each of Frick's three children, Aaron, Max, and Bonnie, cutting a ribbon in turn, as a large crowd looked on.

Janet Williams of the Greyhound Boosters presented Peggy Frick with an American flag which had flown over the state capitol at Austin on September 4, 2002, the day Coach Frick was laid to rest at Gruver Cemetery.

The sons of coach Frick both addressed the crowd and urged athletes to put the new weight room to use, stressing that it use would make it a living memorial to the late coach.

Coach Frick's fellow coaches Jim Davis and John Duncan also spoke.

Following the formal dedication, guests toured the weight room and viewed the new equipment.

A bronze plaque with a football player will be permanently placed on the weight room's exterior. The plaque utilizes a favorite motto of Coach's Frick. The plaque reads "Go hard or go home. In memory of Coach Doug Frick, 1948-2002, for 28 years, you went the extra distance for children. Your daily walk alongside children has taught them how to walk, and by your example...where to walk. Your footprints will be the stepping stones to their future."



The family of Coach Doug Frick surround the bronze plaque which will be placed on the weight room built in his memory.

From left are Kristi Frick, Aaron Frick, Peggy Frick, Charlotte Mullins, Marni Mullins, Ouida Frick, Hannah Frick, Wendy Frick, Bonnie Frick, Max Frick, and Caleb Frick.



The Time Has Come

by Harletta Carthel

By the time you read this, a little lady who served the sick and hurting of the Gruver community will be gone.

Emptied of all her belongings earlier this year, the lady's demise, as we know her, will near completion with the opening of sealed bids on the Gruver Medical Clinic on September 9th.

Although vacant for many years now due to the lack of a doctor, the Gruver Medical Clinic was once a very active part of the business community. Staffed in her later years by Dr. Thu and then by Dr. Viola, the clinic was a busy place where you visited with your friends and met new neighbors while awaiting your time with the doctor. Appointments were not necessary - when you were sick

or hurt, you just came in. No one was ever turned away.

It wasn't a fancy place with over-stuffed chairs or plush carpeting, but it was shiny and clean, and no one seemed to mind sitting on the orange faux leather couch. The doctor, nurse, and receptionist called you by your first name (unless you were older, and then you were Mr. or Mrs.). If the patient was an older person or really sick and not up to sitting on the vinyl furniture, their kin could sit in the waiting room until the patient's name was called, and then quickly go home and fetch the ailing. It was also not uncommon for the doctor or the nurse to call you the day after your appointment, to see how you were doing.

The last full-time doctor at the clinic was Dr. Viola. He and

his large family lived in Gruver. His children were good students and active in band and sports and every other thing a kid can be in at school. Dr. and Mrs. Viola were good class parents - active in about everything a parent could be. If a football player was hurt at a junior high game, chances are Dr. V would already be there watching his son play.

Dr. Viola was always on call, I guess. He didn't seem to mind, though. When our youngest was thrown from a wagon pulled by a three-wheeler, Dr. V. left his back yard barbecue to examine the collarbone of a dirty little boy in the back seat of the suburban parked in his driveway.

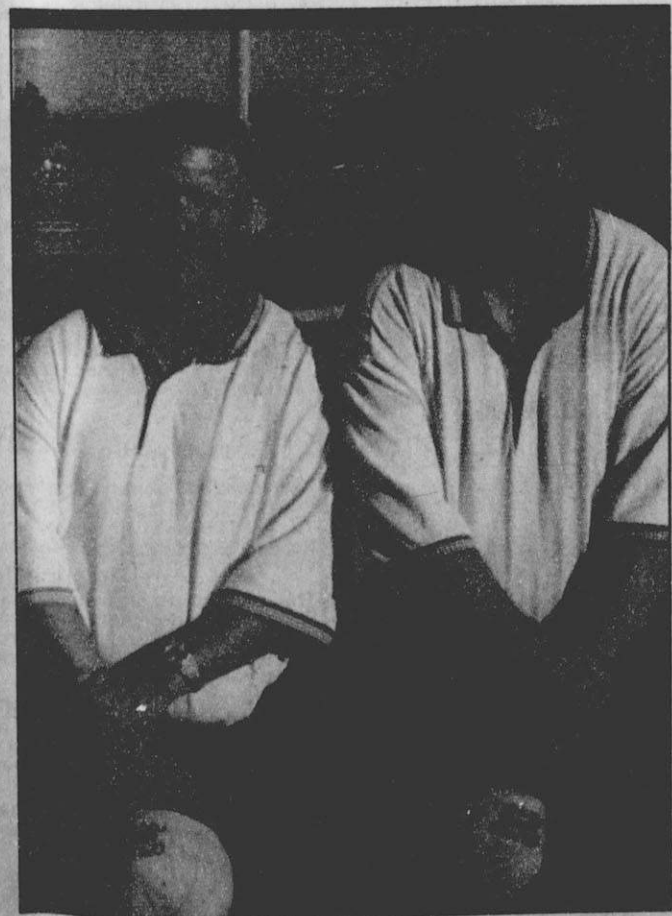
One of the doctor's busiest times of the year was when the Gruver churches had softball teams of "athletes" who were often in less than perfect shape, and filled his office the morning after the game with sprains, strains, and pulls from the night before.

When the swimming pool was built in the park, many parents remarked how thankful they were for the security of knowing the clinic was only a few yards away, and the doctor was usually in his office during "pool" hours.

With the moving of Dr. Viola, the clinic has been dormant, except for the annual athletic physicals. On that one day, the clinic doors were once again open with youngsters and parents coming and going. But this past year, even that one special day stopped, and physicals were not given at the clinic. The little building sat as if it were waiting for someone - some medical professional who might choose to live, work and raise his family in a great little town. The clinic seemed to say by its presence, "I'm here, use me."

It's not that I won't enjoy seeing the building being used again by city hall or whoever gets the bid, and I am mighty grateful for the wonderful doctors, physician assistant, and nurse practitioner we have in Hansford County. We should never take them for granted.

It is just that the finality of the clinic, as such, brings the sadness of an era and a time that will probably never be again.



Listed as the greatest all-time football managers in history by Lance Lahnert of the Amarillo Globe News, Scott Hindergardt (left) and Guy Paul Hindergardt have been a mainstay on the Gruver sideline on Friday nights for many years.

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by Catherine R. Smith
CathyRSmit@aol.com

The following article was sent to me from Bill Pittman. It suggests burning candles on September 11th in remembrance of the tragedies on that date two years ago. I hope you will consider this small act of remembrance.

Remembering 9/11

Our country has come upon the second anniversary of the tragedy of September 11th.

We remember the days that followed and that one evening where we all lit candles by our front doors, on our front lawns, our porches, our decks.

This year, let us join together to show that we will not forget those innocent people that lost their lives that morning. The passengers, the pilots, the people that were working at the World Trade Center and the Pentagon. Let us join together to show our appreciation for the brave firefighters, police officers and EMT personnel who ran to help others. To show our remembrance, our strength, our resolve and our love of our country, let's join together again.

On the evening of September 11th, rain or shine, light up the front of your home, your yard, your street, your walkway, your porch, your front steps.

Take time and remember the events of 9/11, how deeply you were moved, scared, touched. Pray that our nation continues the fight on terrorism so that events such as this do not happen again on our soil.

Help make a statement to our nation, our neighbors and especially to those lost on that tragic day.

We have not forgotten.

Light some candles the evening of September 11th.

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

Numbers 6:24-26

Catherine :)



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Texas Vegetation Management Association CEU Workshop For Pesticide Applicators

The Texas Vegetation Management Association is offering a CEU workshop for pesticide applicators on September 17, 2003 at KoKo Palace, 5101 Ave. Q in Lubbock. To register, contact David Wall at (806) 457-6558 or Ann Finley at (806) 748-4403. The cost is \$18 and includes lunch. Registration begins at 8 a.m. on the 17th. The first session, entitled "2003 Resistant Weed Control Update" will begin at 9 a.m. Other sessions include "Texas Laws and Regulations for Pesticide Applicators," "Pesticide Applicator Safety," "Drift Minimization," and "How Pesticides Affect Plants." The registration deadline is September 12th.

Single Parenting Seminar "Straight From Heaven" "Down To Earth Discipline"

The paramount Terrace Christian Church Singles Ministry will sponsor and host a Single Parenting Seminar to help single parents cope with the experience of building healthy and happy homes. The seminar will be held September 27th from 8:45 a.m. to 12 noon at paramount Terrace Christian Church. This seminar is available to anyone, regardless of religious affiliation. Adult workshops and children sessions will be offered. Child care is by reservation only. Call Marie at 353-6615 for child care reservations or Penny at 353-6615 for reservations for the seminar.

Bits & Pieces Quilt Show

The Panhandle Pieces Quilt Guild is sponsoring the Bits and Pieces Quilt Show on Saturday, September 27th from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. in the Texas County Activity Center, 5th and Sunset Streets in Guymon, Oklahoma. The featured speaker will be Sharon Newman, at 11 a.m. in the banquet room. Quilt appraisals will be on September 26th during the show. Admission will be \$3 for anyone age 12 and up. A small quilt auction will be held at 2 p.m. in the Banquet Room, featuring a wide variety of miniature to baby quilts. Quilt entries are open to everyone. For more information, contact Cheryl Ashpaugh at (580) 338-3677, evenings, or email cherylas@ptsi.net.

Eveline Rivers Christmas Workshop Cookbook

The Eveline Rivers Christmas Workshop will celebrate its 25th anniversary from Christmas 2003 - Christmas 2004. To celebrate the Workshop will issue a 25th anniversary cookbook in early 2004 printed by Traflet. To include your favorite recipes, please send them to Eveline Rivers Cookbook, 314 Jefferson, Amarillo, TX 79101 or email to cook56books2003@yahoo.com. Categories included will be the standard categories along with Cooking for Two, Crockpot cooking, Outdoor Cooking (grilling and campfire cooking), Five ingredient or less (quick and easy), and Special Needs such as diabetic recipes. Deadline for submitting recipes is September 15, 2003. For more information, contact Susan Bovenzi at 358-9364 or Janet Howe at 468-2575.

Jim May Featured Teller for Voices in the Wind Storytelling Festival

The fifth annual Voices in the Wind Storytelling Festival, scheduled for September 5th and 6th features nationally known teller Jim May of Woodstock, Ill. Known for his prize-winning personal narrative, *A Bell for Shorty*, May will lead a storytelling workshop on Friday, September 5th from 1-3 p.m. at the Canyon Public Library. May will also be the featured teller in two evening concerts on September 5th and 6th, as well as spin yarns for a Friday Kids Concert at 11 a.m. in West Texas A&M's Branding Iron Theatre. This year's Saturday events will be storytelling showcases in which three tellers perform stories and then discuss storytelling resources for a particular storytelling genre. All showcases will take place at WTAMU's Jack B. Kelly Student Center from 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Tickets for the evening concerts (\$5), as well as a festival package (\$25 for SHP members and \$35 for nonmembers) which includes all festival events, can be purchased by calling Hanson at (806) 651-2800. Family and group rates (\$2 per person) are also available for the two evening concerts.

Public Education in Texas

Public education in Texas is for every child. Don't leave any child behind. The children of Texas come in all sizes, shapes, colors, and abilities. They do not all learn the same way, but they ALL do learn. Do you know of an infant, child, or young adult who does not learn easily or has an impairment that might affect his/her success in life? Do you know that public school programs can serve these children from birth to age 21? For more information, call Marsha Murphy, Special Education Director, at (806) 435-4412.

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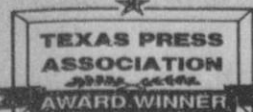
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HANSFORD HAPPENINGS

Hospice Volunteer Training

Hansford Hospice is offering free Hospice Volunteer Training classes for anyone interested in becoming a hospice volunteer, learning more about hospice care, and/or desiring personal growth. Classes will begin on Monday, September 15th, and will be held Monday and Thursday evenings, 6-9 p.m., through October 16th. Please call 659-5811 to enroll. Location of classes will be determined later.

ACT Registration Deadline

College-bound high school students who want to take the ACT Assessment on the October 25th national test date should register by the postmark deadline of September 19, 2003. The late registration deadline is October 3rd (an additional fee is required for late registration). Students can get registration materials from their high school counselor or register online at www.act.org.

Panhandle Exploration Getaway

In an effort to raise funds while promoting the Texas Panhandle at the same time, 2CARE for MOMS and Babies, health related incentive programs, will raffie a special "Panhandle Exploration Getaway" package. The drawing will be held on September 30th with ticket sales closing September 23rd. The tourism package includes maps and brochures for points of interest in the northern Panhandle with coupons, gift certificates, prizes and accommodations good throughout the region. Proceeds from the raffie will benefit the Baby's Coming Shops throughout the area for moms and expectant moms enrolled in the 2CARE programs. These programs are administered by the Coalition of Health Services in Amarillo and funded in part through grants from Texas Department of Health and the March of Dimes. Participating towns include Borger, Canadian, Fritch, McLean, Clarendon, Shamrock, Perryton, Spearman, Dumas, Dalhart, Stinnett, Miami, Panhandle and Pampa. For further information or to purchase tickets by mail, contact Judith Loyd at 664-2459. Tickets are available locally at the Spearman Chamber of Commerce office.

Gruver to Host 73rd Annual Alumni Homecoming

The classes of 1943, 1953, 1963, 1973, 1983, 1993, and 2003 will be honored at the 73rd GHS Homecoming, set for September 26, 2003. A supper will be held from 5-6:30 p.m. at the school cafeteria. At 7 p.m., the Alumni King and Queen will be crowned with the crowning of the 2003 Homecoming Queen following. At 7:30 p.m., the Gruver Greyhounds will host the Claude Mustangs. Following the ball game, an all-alumni dance will be held at the Sparks Brothers hangar in Gruver. Alumni dues of \$10 are payable at the supper or by mail to Treasurer Pat Irwin, Box 944, Gruver, TX 79040. Dues and profits of the organization support the GHS Alumni Scholarship Fund.

Local Church Seeks Support in MS Walk

Primera Iglesia Bautista de Spearman will be aiding the National Sclerosis Society by joining in its annual walk effort to raise funds. Members of the church participating in a six-mile walk September 27, 2003 in Dumas are seeking sponsorship pledges from Hansford County residents. Those interested in joining the effort the conquer Multiple Sclerosis may contact Sally Vaquera 659-5035, Margie Vaquera 664-5594 or Primera Iglesia Bautista 659-3991.

5K Family Fun Walk/Run

A 5K Family Fun Walk/Run, presented by Gus Birdwell PTO, will be held on Saturday, October 4, 2003. Entry forms are available at Gus Birdwell Elementary or from any PTO member. For more information, contact Cindy Blackman at 659-3233. All participants will receive a race T-shirt. The race will begin at Esca Park and will finish at the High School track. Early bird registration is due by September 22nd (\$10 for adult, \$7 for child under 12, \$30 for family up to 4); Registration deadline is September 26th (\$12 for adult, \$8 for children under 12, and \$35 for family up to 4); Race Day Registration will begin at 8 a.m. on October 4th (\$14 for adult, \$9 for children under 12, and \$40 for family up to 4).

"A Feast with Friends" Cookbook

"A Feast with Friends" cookbook, compiled by the Harrington Cancer Center Circle of Friends, is being sold by Jenna McElroy. Profits from the book will go to the Circle of Friends to assist cancer patients and their families in their time of need. The cost of the ring-bound recipe collection is \$15. Call Jenna at 659-2365 or 659-2617 for more information, or to place an order.

Senior Citizen's Book Exchange

For those who are 55 or older and are tired of reading the same old book, come to the Golden Spread Center and exchange your book for something more exciting. Don't have a book to exchange? That's okay, come and get one any way. We have mysteries, biographies, romance, Christian books, you name it, we've got it! 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. Golden Spread Center, The O'Loughlin Center, 502 Brandt, 659-3030 Donations appreciated.

Book Club Forming

There has been some interest expressed in starting a book club in Spearman. If you would be interested in participating, please call the Hansford County Library, and add your name to our list. If there are several who want to do this, we will then have an organizational meeting. This book club would meet in the evening hours, perhaps one time per month. Please give us a call at 659-2231 to indicate your interest.

Medical Fund Established for Denise Apodaca

A fund has been established for the medical expenses of Denise Apodaca at the First National Bank of Spearman. Denise had reconstructive surgery of her esophagus, and has begun the long recovery process. Her address is St Paul Hospital, 5909 Harry Hines Blvd., Dallas, Texas (no zip code provided). Her phone number is 214-879-2351.

HOSPICELINK Offers Aid for Terminal Illness / Bereavement

HOSPICE LINK help people needing information and education about hospice care and makes referrals hospices in all 50 states and the District of Columbia. The national toll-free telephone number is 88-331-1620. HOSPICE LINK is a service of the Hospice Education Institute, an independent non-profit organization founded in 1985. There is no charge for any HOSPICE LINK service. Since taking its first call in 1986, HOSPICE LINK has helped literally hundreds of thousands of people in facing the challenges of coping with end-of-life issues. For more information about the Hospice Education Institute and its many programs and services, please call 800-331-1620 or 207-255-8800, e-mail the organization at hospiceall2aol.com, or write to Three Unity Square, P.O. Box 98, Machiasport, Maine 04655-0098. HOSPICE LINK lines are open from 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. weekdays, Eastern time.

Adult English Classes Offered in Gruver

Adult English Classes will continue Thursday nights from 7:00 - 9:30 p.m. in the Gruver Junior High, 600 Garrett St. Classes begin October 2, 2003.

Clases de Ingles para Adultos

Las Clases de Ingles van a continuar el jueves de las 7:00 - 9:30 p.m. Estaremos en la escuela jr. high de Gruver en la calle 600 Garrett. la Clase comienza el 2 de octubre 2003.

Gruver Bike-A-Thon For St. Jude's Slated

A bike-a-thon to benefit St. Jude's Children's Hospital will be held at 2:00 p.m. on Saturday in Gruver City Park. Coordinator of the event is Renea Swink, who may be called during the day at 733-2031 or night at 733-2138 for more information or to send a pledge.

Spearman FFA To Host Homecoming Barbecue

Spearman FFA will be holding their annual Homecoming BBQ before the Homecoming football game on Friday, September 12th. The menu will consist of brisket, coleslaw, potato salad, beans, and tea. We will start serving at 5:30 and will stop serving around 7:30 p.m. We are looking forward to seeing everyone there. We will be serving in the cafeteria, and plates will be \$6.00.

Beware of FAFSA Web Scam

Seniors, senior parents, and parents of college students should use the web site www.fafsa.ed.gov when filling out their Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) online. There is currently a website that has found an interesting way to get in the college-bound's pocket. Known as fafsa.com, the website charges a fee for submitting the application. There is no fee for submitting the fafsa form on the www.fafsa.ed.gov site.

Our Deepest Sympathy

ROSA BELLE RICHESON LOVE

Rosa Belle Richeson Love, 82, of Amarillo died Monday, September 8, 2003.

Services were at 2 p.m. Wednesday, September 10th in Southlawn Assembly of God Church with Jerad Middaugh, pastor, and Jerald and Janice Middaugh officiating. Entombment was in Memorial Park Mausoleum by Boxwell Brothers Funeral Directors, 2800 Paramount Blvd.

Mrs. Love was born August 7, 1921, in New Castle. She was a member of Southlawn Assembly of God Church in Amarillo. She served as church secretary and Sunday school teacher at Spearman Assembly Church, where she was a member of 27 years before moving to Amarillo.

She was preceded in death by her first husband, Ike Richeson, and four children.

Survivors include her husband, Robert Bruce Love; two daughters, Joyce Ellis and husband, Floyd, of Irving and Billie Gordon and husband, Don, of Grand Prairie; a sister, Nelta Mae Poole of Spring; 14 grandchildren; 23 great-grandchildren; and eight great-great-grandchildren.

The family suggests memorials be to BSA Hospice, P. O. Box 950, Amarillo, TX 79176.

FERNAND E. COUTURE

Fernand E. Couture died Tuesday September 9, 2003, at Covenant Hospital in Lubbock Texas. His death was the result of injuries sustained in a car wreck in Floyd county on September 4, 2003. He was 69 years old.

He was born on December 17, 1933 in Northfield, Vermont to Joseph and Bernadete (Fortier) Couture.

He graduated from St. Michael's High School in Montpelier, Vermont. After high school and prior to becoming a priest, he owned & operated Douglas's Barber Shop in Montpelier, Vt. for several years. He then entered Catholic Seminary to study for the priesthood and was ordained a Servant of the Paracletes on March 14, 1970 in Rome Italy, at the Basilica of St Paul.

Throughout his 33 yrs as a priest Fr. Couture served in several parishes and missions including Bolivia, Argentina, Barre and Montpelier Vermont, Alton Illinois (as chaplain for the Catholic hospital), Spearman, Dimmitt and Silvertown Texas, all in the Catholic Diocese of Amarillo Texas.

Fr. Couture was a member of the Lions Club of Dimmitt Texas. He was instrumental in the leadership of the Legion of Mary, and the Catholic Pro-Life movement in the West Texas area.

Subsequent to his ordination in Rome in 1970 Fr. Couture continued his education with courses of study in Church history, canon law and the ongoing study of foreign language. He was fluent in 5 different languages.

His passion was the God he served and the people to whom he ministered. He was a strong advocate for the Perpetual Adoration of the Eucharist. He continued to be active daily in the ministry up to the time of his death.

He is survived by two brothers Raymond Couture and Wife Catherine Couture, Laurent Couture and wife Claire Couture, both of Montpelier Vermont; a sister Suzanne Willette and husband Joseph Willette of Graniteville, Vermont; a nephew, Tom Couture of Lubbock Texas; and several other nieces & nephews who currently reside in Vermont.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Joseph & Bernadette (Fortier) Couture and siblings Magella Couture, Gilles Couture, Jeannine Couture, Jacqueline (Couture) Provost, Diane Couture, all formerly of Barre, Vermont.

Fr. Couture's body will lie in state at Our Lady of Loretto Catholic Church in Silvertown Texas from 4:30 pm on Saturday September 13 through mass on Sunday September 14 at 3:00 pm. The family will receive visitors at the church from 6-8 pm on Saturday.

The Legion of Mary in Amarillo Texas will say the rosary at St. Laurence Cathedral, in Amarillo at 10:30 am on Monday September 15, with Mass of Christian Burial to follow at 11 a.m. Interment will be in the priest's section of the Llano Cemetery immediate following.

There will be a memorial mass at St. Monica's Church, 79 Summer St. Barre Vermont at 11:00 am on Friday September 19.

In lieu of flowers the family requests that donations be made to Our Lady of Loretta Catholic Church Silvertown, Texas.



JIMMY SHIELDKNIGHT

SPEARMAN - Jimmy Lee Shieldknight, 74, passed away Thursday morning, September 4th, 2003 at his home in Spearman.

The son of Mayme (Summerville) and Jim Shieldknight, he was born June 15, 1929 in Childress, Texas. The Shieldknight family moved to Spearman in 1940 and Jimmy graduated from Spearman High School in 1946. He was united in marriage to Lois Buzzard on July 27, 1947 in Perryton, Texas.

In 1957, he and Eris Pittman formed a partnership and friendship that has lasted 46 years. This partnership began with a car dealership, Excel Chevrolet, and several agricultural ventures. He founded AGCO and had interest in farming, cattle, insurance, and the oil and gas industry. He was a past member of the Spearman City Council, Spearman Jaycees, served on the board of First National Bank and the Hansford County Appraisal District and was a member of the National Dealer Council for General Motors. He was a member of Spearman Church of Christ. He was a strong supporter of the Spearman schools and athletics, volunteered as coach for the AGCO Aggies, girls AAU basketball team and was a national square dance caller.

Survivors include his wife of 56 years, Lois Shieldknight of the home; two daughters, Marcia Shieldknight and Leann Gillaspie and husband, Dick Gillaspie; two sons, Charles Shieldknight and wife, Sonya; and Fred Shieldknight and wife, Brenda, all of Spearman; grandchildren, Carly and Clay Simmons; Haley and Joel Shields; Ashly and Caleb Patterson; Macy and Jason Holton; Kelly and Quentin Harper, Quentin Shieldknight and fiancé, Kristin Holbrook, Clara Shieldknight, Laura, Mindee, Caleb and Collin Gillaspie; great grandchildren, Hannah Patterson, Dawson Reithmayer, Brantly Shields, Shelby Reithmayer, Lilly Patterson, Reece Shields, Laney Harper, Jack Simmons and Chaz Patterson.

He was preceded in death by his parents, two sisters, Joyce Shieldknight and Loraine King; and an infant brother, Charles Glen Shieldknight.

Funeral services were Saturday afternoon, September 6th at 2 p.m. at the Spearman Church of Christ, with Leonard Harper officiating. Interment was in Hansford Cemetery under the direction of Henson-Novak Funeral Directors of Guymon.

Memorials may be given to H&S EMS of Spearman or a favorite charity, c/o Henson-Novak Funeral Directors, Box 1306, Guymon, OK 73942.

Thank You

Words cannot express how much we appreciate everything that has been done for us since our house fire on August 26. We cannot begin to name everyone who has helped in some way, but we want you to know that we will never forget any of this.

We would like, though, to thank a few people. First of all, we thank God for Heather Cline, our neighbor, who called the fire in. If it wasn't for her, we could have lost more than we did. We also would like to thank the Spearman Volunteer Fire Department who responded so quickly to the fire and worked so hard to put it out. Heroes, indeed.

We also would like to thank our employers, Ricky White of Trencor and Spearman ISD who let us off work that whole week to take care of business. Thanks to all the friends who took our two children and helped them live normal lives that week.

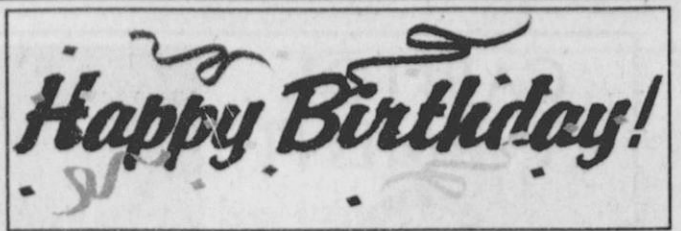
We also want to thank so many friends, and family who came by that day, called, brought food, clothes, and household items. Thanks also for all the money and gift certificates that have been donated to us. We want to especially thank everyone for all the prayers on our behalf.

We are blessed indeed to live in Spearman. Thanks again, Rick, Jan, Jarick, and Kylee Howard

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Glenda Renner, Johnny White, Jan Allen, Helen Melton, Joe Wattier, Teresa Ford, Myrtle Eller, Janna Brock, Robbie Cochran, R.D. McLain, Judy Fredrick, Mario Molina, Dale Wofford, Andrew Cummings, Kayla Swink

September 11

Birthday - Erika Stedje, Gary Lynn Evans, Ginger Pittman, DaVonna Daharsh, Jimmy Jackson, Jim Davis, Teresa Pipkin, Clarence Mitchell, Tony Pacheco Jr., Julia Wofford, Everette Layton, Angela Lomeli, Janice Watley, Jean Laughlin, Trey Duke

Anniversary - Rusty & Judy Tindell, Buck & Beatrice Self

September 12

Birthday - Linda Haight, Evi Meyer, Carrie Ann Guthrie, Deanne Gilley, Connie Shields, Issabella Hermsellio, Peggy Varnon, Ty Martin, Quincy Graber, Roland Graber, Chasidy Thomas, Charles Elliott

Anniversary - Mr. & Mrs. Wayne Kruse

September 13

Birthday - Alice Alvarez, Mindy Davis, Aaron Frick, Pam Harris, Kevin Holt, B.J. Renner, Jimmy Beeson, Carol Hergert, Hadley Reed, Terry Cook, Jim Baker, Burt Williams, Charolette Jackson, Keri Holt, Kalib Nash

September 14

Birthday - Max Clawson, Justin Duncan, William O'Connell, Johnny Dunning, Allen Hart, Robin Snider, Ken Schneider, Gregg VanBuskirk, Clayton Williams, Velma Sanders, Doug Holmes, Steven Salazar, Joel Stark, Debbie Canto

September 15

Birthday - Les Barkley, Dan Ralston, Karen Durham, Becky Byers, Misty Dawn Villarreal, Matt Jones, Audrey Winegarner, Debbie Dingman, Amanda Bowman, Matthew Jones, Arturo Huerta, Gary Vasek

Anniversary - Mr. & Mrs. Bob Meek, Karen & Buford Babitzke

September 16

Birthday - Marcia Kuehl, Terrell Evans, Jarret Warren, Oscar Rojas Jr., Jason Evans, Leticia Salazar, Frank Galvin, Pauline Winger, Fannie Venneman, Silvia Lopez, Margy Schoenhals

Anniversary - Mr. & Mrs. Charles Greenwood

September 17

Birthday - Hugh Bell, Krystle Deeds, Pablo Perez,

Anniversary - Mr. & Mrs. Larry Kennedy, Mr. & Mrs. Ray Gressett

September 18

Birthday - Betty Davis, Alton Ellsworth, Pat Jackson, Scarlett Jackson, Cary Cates, Mrs. Don Ladd, Donna Phillips, Van Hamilton, David Baca, Jamie Townsen

Anniversary - Mr. & Mrs. Scott Swan

September 19

Birthday - Sally Holt Meek, Carol Hester, Sue Jackson, Tildon Sparks, Don Kunselman, Jim Jones, Amadita Vargas, Alberto Vargas, Randy Kirk, Tammy Woodward, Julie Pittman, Cassidy Taylor

Anniversary - Mr. & Mrs. Dennis Nelson, Mr. & Mrs. Tindle Ramon

September 20

Birthday - Tiffanee Crane, Jerry Overbey, Karen Archer, Charles Shieldknight, Mrs. Jimmy Watson, Dee Mayfield, Edrie Jones, Jessie Francis, Lance McMahan, Dora Salgado, Chris Womble, Beverly Vinson, Pedro Garza

September 21

Birthday - Amber Murrell, Teresa Sue Dodson, Mrs. Ola Davis, Lisa Pipkin, Sharon Craig, Millie Craig, Gary Thomas, Karen Goodman, Arthur Cantu, Cathy Brown, Paul Mahaffey, Ashlee Flowers, Allene Bayless, Callie Cazares, Francis Murrell, Jacie Baker, Mike Ladd

September 22

Birthday - Charlotte Bergin, Chelsie Beth Hicks, Leon Wilson, Robert Womble, Bobby Evans, Ray Brewer, Junior Avila, Terry Delozier, Lance Harnish, Sterling Alana Brown, Amber Conley, Janice Riley, Bonnie Cox, Haylee Miesner

Anniversary - Mr. & Mrs. John Williams, Mr. & Mrs. Pat Jackson

September 23

Birthday - Larry Babbs, Rodney Dale Clawson, Floyd Dry, Melissa Davis, Wilma Clark, Ray Ortega, Tony Papay, Will Black, Jan Hartsell, Luisa Volden, Karla Flowers, Amber Coombs, Kylie Cook, Jake Coates, Andrew Jacops, Melissa Lesly

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CAPITOL COMMENT



**U.S. SENATOR
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Below is a special Capitol Comment by Sen. Hutchison commemorating the second anniversary of September 11.

Two Years Later

There are events throughout history that define generations. The Wright brothers' first flight in 1903, the "Black Tuesday" stock market crash of 1929, the attack on Pearl Harbor in 1941 and the landing of a man on the moon in 1969 are a few seminal moments that triggered a seismic shift in the course of our nation. For this generation, September 11, 2001, is a date that will forever recall the devastating attacks that rained terror on the United States of America. But it will also evoke the pride and patriotism we felt as police, firefighters and airplane passengers gave their lives to save countless others.

This month, as we commemorate the second anniversary of the day that 19 hijackers forever changed the physical and psychological landscape of our nation, that day in September merits reflection and raises the question: two years later, are we safer?

On 9-11-03 church bells throughout Manhattan will ring at exactly 8:46 a.m. - the moment the first plane crashed into the north tower of the World Trade Center. That evening, the lights on Broadway will go dim. Baseball games will observe a moment of silence before the first pitch is thrown. But after the bells cease, the lights come on and the games begin - we must go about our daily lives more careful about our community safety, never forgetting the devastation and horror of September 11.

Securing Our Nation

Immediately after the attacks, our nation charged into action, closing the loopholes that allowed the terrorists to infiltrate our country. Aviation security gaps, immigration mishaps and intelligence lapses were immediately addressed. New federal entities were created and charged with the task of protecting our transportation infrastructure and our homeland. And we launched a global war on terror taking the fight to the mountains of Afghanistan, the sand dunes of Iraq, and to main streets both in the U.S. and abroad where terrorists have burrowed.

Fortunately, our nation has not suffered another terrorist attack coming close to the magnitude of that horrific day. Increased law enforcement has been critical, but a new awareness and vigilance on the part of the American people have helped thwart terrorist attacks and protect our country from zealots who wish to destroy our way of life. While families have had to adopt emergency plans, Congress is continuing to address problems at our borders, in our skies and at our ports. And we will continue the war on terror.

Texas Reflects

As Americans and our friends around the globe reflect on this second anniversary, Texans will have a unique opportunity to commemorate that fateful day. A Smithsonian exhibit that drew one million visitors during a 10-month run at the National Museum of American History will begin its traveling exhibit in the Lone Star State on September 11. Fort Worth will be the opening city for the seven-city tour. The Fort Worth Museum of Science and History will display, "September 11: Bearing Witness to History," through January 4, 2004.

The commemorative exhibit includes items such as a twisted piece of steel, firefighters' gear and a piece of limestone from the Pentagon. It also includes memorials from the crash site in Pennsylvania, and photographs and stories of survivors. For information on the Smithsonian exhibit, visit: <http://americanhistory.si.edu/september11/>

This month, as you honor the memory of those lost on September 11, know that our nation is indeed safer. Our vulnerability was exposed, but we responded with a steely resolve, that has made us stronger, richer and better. We will never be the same, but the Americans we have become will be the shining example of liberty and democracy for all the world to see.

The Gruver Grapevine

by Harletta Carthel

Master Stedje Arrives
John Dyllon Stedje made his debut Sunday, June 22, 2003, at 6:01 p.m. in Guymon.

The little lad weighed seven pounds and 5.9 ounces and was 20 and 1/4 inches long.

His proud parents are Becky and Lee Stedje of the Oslo Community.

John's grandparents are Jan and Lynn Stedje of Oslo, and Thomas and Donna Stejskal of Lewis, KS.

His great grandparents are Ada Joyce Stedje of Oslo, Anna Mae Stejskal of Larned, KS, and Roy and Roy Roper of Flower Mound, TX.

Helen Williams of Smith Center, KS is the great great grandmother.

Community Health Concerns
V.B. Morris, who has been in Dallas since undergoing a kidney transplant, will be having further testing this week for problems that have been encountered.

Ruth Morris will be receiving treatment in Amarillo this week for lupus.

Rose Cassidy has a September 16th appointment at Mayo Clinic in Arizona to assess treatment for her condition of Scleroderma Raynouds.

Rachel Cook is recuperating at home following arthroscopic knee surgery last Thursday.

Marty Pierson, the son-in-law of B.J. and Glenda Renner, suffered a fall at work last week which resulted in 17 stitches in his forehead and wrist surgery on Thursday.

David Puebla suffered a broken collarbone during the Gruver/Texhoma game last week.

A competitor and swift-footed senior, Puebla will be not be able to return to the Hound football team for four to six weeks.

Garrett Miner had an MRI Monday on his knee that was injured in the Texhoma football game. Results of the MRI were not known at press time.

Stephen Salazar, a member of the Hound junior varsity, who had broken his wrist earlier while playing in a summer basketball league, broke a bone in his other hand last Thursday in the game with Stratford.

He will meet with a surgeon on Thursday to determine if surgery is needed.

Coach Steve Myatt is in gaining strength. He is currently in rehabilitation in Amarillo.

Ralstons Welcome Little Miss
Roxie and Rex Ralston announce the birth of their daughter Saxton Rae.

Miss Ralston was born Tuesday, August 26, 2003. She weighed six pounds and was 17 and 1/4 inches in length.

Her grandparents are Dan and Penny Ralston of rural Spearman and Donnie and Jeanne Johnson of Happy, TX.

Great-grandmothers are Margaret Ralston of Gruver and Velma Sanders of Spearman. Other great-grandparents are Cone Johnson and Gracie Tiry of Happy.

Condolences Extended
The community's sympathy is with Kelly Harper, Georgia Holt, and all the Shieldknight family, in the loss of her Kelly's grandfather and Georgia's brother-in-law, Jimmy Shieldknight of Spearman.

One of Mr. Shieldknight's numerous volunteer efforts was the coaching of several AAU girls basketball teams of which most were Gruver and Spearman players.

Don Williams, the father of former Gruver resident and teacher, Betty Chisum, died in Lubbock. His memorial service was Monday.

Miss Seagler Arrives
Kyndal Grace Seagler was born Saturday, August 30, at 5:14 p.m. in Dumas.

The sweet miss weighed seven pounds and 13 ounces and was 20 inches in length.

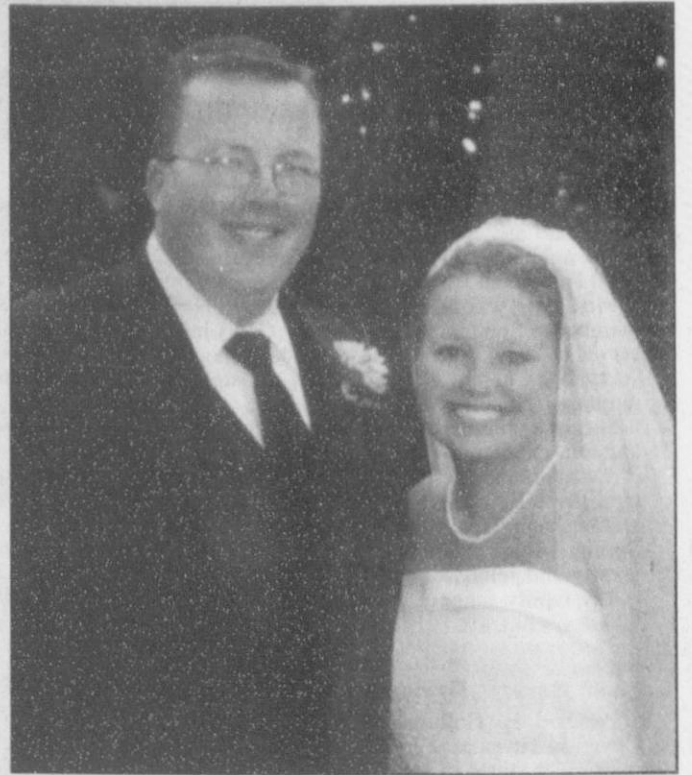
Proud parents are Amy and Trent Seagler of Dumas. Her big brother is Lane, 3.

Miss Seagler's grandparents are Jim and Virginia Fowler, formerly of Spearman, and now of Amarillo, and Stan and Sharon Seagler of Gruver.

Bell To Be Honored
Hugh Bell will be honored on his 79th birthday with a cake and ice cream party from 8:00 - 9:00 p.m. in the fellowship hall of the Gruver Church of Christ.

The community is cordially invited to attend. There will be a basket for birthday cards.

Rainfall Reported
The City of Gruver received .07 inch of rain September 6th and .46 inch of rain on September 7th.



Evans, Born Wed

Kristin Amy Evans of Gruver and Weston Ray Born of Darrouzett were united in marriage May 31, 2003, in the Gruver United Methodist Church with the Rev. Scott Curry, of the First Baptist Church, officiating.

The couple resides in Gruver where Weston is the agricultural science teacher. Mrs. Born teaches special education at Spearman High School.

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The residents of Hansford Manor started the week of Labor Day off with laboring. We could not decide if Labor Day meant to labor or to rest so we started the day off with exercise to get in shape for the week. It was a good thing we did too! We had a packed week. Monday afternoon we had Name That Tune with old records from my Mother-in-law's house. They were the really golden oldies. I had forgotten many of the artists. The residents remembered many of the songs but we all had trouble with the singers.

On the 2nd the residents played volleyball that morning and had a watermelon/cantaloupe feed that afternoon. The next day we had cookies and bible study led by Anne Whitaker. There was a good crowd there and it was followed with visitations and fellowship. Wednesday afternoon the residents gathered in the activity room and prepared fresh peaches from Colorado provided by Janie Kunselman. Of course after that we all sat down and ate it as well as serving it to the rest of the residents.

The rest of the week was filled with games, news currents, crafts, preparation of fresh fruit and fellowship and also--- Each resident was adopted by a staff member to be their secret granddaughters or sons. The staff brought cards for their residents on Tues., Wed., and Thurs., and a gift for them on Friday. We had a great celebration party for grandparents on Friday afternoon. We had beautiful music played by Joel Lee Lackey on the sax, Janie Kunselman on the electric piano, Jr. Sparks, guitar and Richard Kirk on the bass. This band had practiced for weeks for the performance at the party. It really paid off. The music was wonderful. We even had some dancers there. (W.E.- you can still cut a rug!) The auxiliary brought desserts that were delicious and helped serve as well

as passing out the gifts to the residents. Everyone had a great time-staff, residents, and visitors alike.

Thursday, the 4th we had another special treat. Steve Hartgraves, the hospital district's C.E.O. took his model airplanes to the airport. We took several residents to the airport and Steve gave us a private air show with his model airplanes. It was so much fun! He is obviously well accomplished at flying them. He put on a lengthy program complete with rolls, loops, touch and goes and circles. He showed his airplanes to the residents up close and explained how they were operated. One of his airplanes goes 40 m.p.h. and the other airplane will go as fast as 100 m.p.h. in a dive. It was a beautiful morning for an airshow and we had a great one.

The Fellowship Baptist Church conducted the church services at the Manor on Sunday afternoon on the 7th. On the 14th the First Assembly of God will be leading the church service and the Lion's Club will be hosting Monday Night Bingo for the month of September.

I was visiting with a sage young gentleman this morning and he relayed a story to me about his family. When he was 6 years old in 1915, his family came down with small pox. First, his older brother, then another, then another. The doctor came and vaccinated the rest of the family but it did not take on him or his father. He said his mother and sisters got just as sick from the inoculation as the others got from the small pox. He had the pox on the bottom of his feet so bad that his sisters carried him in a sack sling. When all was said and done they had been quarantined for at least six weeks. Many people died from smallpox in that era but none of his family was lost. Ohhh the good ole days-----

Among The Neighbors

by Helen Fisher

Rhonda and Curtis Covington are enjoying having their daughter, Jennifer White with son, Aiden and daughter, Katherine. Katherine celebrated her first birthday. They live at Oklahoma City.

The Amarillo Globe-News carried pictures on two different days of Tarin Rice with his horses. One day he used his horse, Cattitude, and the next day Missy Mac in the West Texas Futurity Cutting Horse competition at Amarillo National.

Tarin is the son of Halee and Boyd Rice of Spearman.

Congratulations are extended to Don and Wanda Reed on their 50th wedding anniversary. Details of the observance at United Methodist Church last Sunday are elsewhere in this issue. Although both are retired, they are constantly busy with civic, charitable and church activities. Neighbors are loud in praise for them and very grateful to them.

Murl and Annabelle Pearson have been doing some traveling this summer.

They went to Grove City, Pennsylvania for a family reunion on June 1st. Annabelle has 1 brother and 4 sisters still living. Their ages range from 71 to 81 years old. They were gone about 2 weeks.

On August 1st they went to Houston and visited with their daughters and families. One of their daughters, Theresa Davis had surgery and recovered quickly. They remained for about 2 weeks.

They made several stops on their way back home visiting other family members, including grandson Jeremy & Mandy Thomas and girls of Greenville, Texas.

They also saw saw the mother of Cyndi Pearson who lives in Athens, Texas. David and Cyndi Pearson of Spearman.

They had a very nice trip and are thankful to God for giving them the strength and health to be able to go.

Toby Kuehl, formerly of Spearman, now a resident of Omaha, Nebraska, was the weekend guest of Shelly and Jeff Beedy.

Toby was here for the funeral of a very special friend, Jimmy Shieldknight. While in Spearman, he visited the Shieldknight family, Butch and Debbie Reed and several other friends.

Have you ever thought about this?

There are bars on a jail, lawyers have to pass the bar, and maybe he also stopped at the bar. How can a foreigner ever learn our language and comprehend it when the same word means so many different things?

A lawyer takes 52 pages of notes and then it is called a brief? - Strange.

Ray Ortega, son of Francis and Virgino Ortega and son-in-law of Jo and Bob Farr, all of Spearman, was pictured on the ad poster and program of Boys Ranch annual rodeo.

Ray and wife Julie are houseparents at Boys Ranch for the Jefferies Home.

One of the boys living in their home won the junior bull riding championship and the first ever leadership award. Another of the Ortega's "boys" won the reserve championship in junior bull riding.

The Ortegas are in their 10th year as houseparents.

Dane Harbour competed this past weekend in the JRCA Finals in Elk City, OK. He won second place on Friday and third place on Saturday. He was the only junior bull rider to complete his ride both days, so he came home with the first place buckle.

Dane ended his overall season in third place in the junior bull riding.

If you have news for Among The Neighbors, please call 659-3468.



Lake Level--September 8, 2003--29.95 feet (-0.16)

The office rain gauge held .40 inch, and the level dropped despite big rains in the area. If the water-shed caught runoff, it hadn't made its way to the Lake.

Fishermen are catching channel catfish now but not in big numbers. There were 6 campers behind the dam and 2 on the office side. The shelter was in use today, but I didn't get a name.

Ramon Cantu's wife Debbie called his attention to a strange bird on one of their electric poles. With the help of binoculars they identified it as an osprey eating a small channel catfish.

Jim has learned to identify this bird from its shrill whistle, but we don't know how often it is seen at the Lake. No one has reported seeing a nesting pair, but they evidently migrate through spring and fall.

Saturday after dark Jim found their gray kitten missing. He and Mandy had started out with

two kittens, but one had disappeared a month ago. He had his dog Scooter in the garage with the door raised just enough for the kitten to go in and out.

As he looked, he saw a bobcat crouching across the road. He had a hand held spotlight, so he started following the bobcat as he played the light on it. It kept steadily ahead of him going west, and he trailed behind. Then he looked down and found Scooter had gotten under the garage door and come to protect him.

The bob-tailed cat still hadn't noticed Scooter, but Jim decided they had enough, and took Scooter home.

Leona Stavlo told me about a herd of antelope that stays in the northwest corner of the County. She quite often sees them near where Ada Joyce Stedje lives. Sunday she was fortunate to see one of them jump a barbed wire fence with a running start. She had heard, as I had, that antelope went under or through fences, but did not jump them.

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BUDGET HEARING

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of Hansford County Hospital District have caused to be prepared an annual budget for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2003, and ending September 30, 2004, Notice is hereby given that a public hearing on said proposed budget will be held Monday, September 22, 2003 at 5:30 p.m. in the Board Room of Hansford Hospital, 707 Roland, Spearman, Hansford County, Texas.

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CEO/Administrator



2003 SHS HOMECOMING

2003 SPEARMAN LYNX

No.	Name	Position	HT.	WT.	Class
10	Caleb Gillaspie	REC/SEC	6'1"	151	Jr.
11	Jarick Howard	QB/SEC	5'9"	157	Soph.
12	Garrett Martin	QB/SEC	6'	165	Sr.
20	Brock Town	RB/LB	5'11"	175	Soph.
21	Michael Lozano	RB/SEC	5'4"	150	Sr.
28	Clete Vanderburg	RB/LB	5'9"	207	Jr.
30	Marcus Vasquez	RB/LB	5'11"	163	Sr.
37	Isaac Herndon	RB/SEC	5'5"	154	Jr.
40	Rickey Garcia	REC/LB	6'1"	161	Sr.
45	Mark Thomas	RB/END	5'11"	170	Jr.
52	Wayne Gibson	CEN/NG	6'	205	Jr.
58	Brodie Savage	CEN/TKL	5'10"	164	Jr.
60	Eric Flores	TKL/TKL	6'1"	196	Jr.
61	Orie Cooksey	GD/NG	5'8"	145	Jr.
64	Kylie McGaha	GD/TKL	6'	198	Jr.
65	Russell Sheets	GD/END	6'1"	193	Sr.
66	Tracy Brown	GD/TKL	5'8"	165	Jr.
72	Marshall Hearon	TKL/TKL	5'9"	234	Sr.
74	Justin Parker	GD/LB	5'9"	159	Jr.
80	Gerardo Ruiz	REC/END	5'11"	172	Jr.
81	Jerry Anaya	KICKER	5'9"	150	Jr.
84	Chris Cudd	REC/END	5'7"	141	Sr.
87	Jeff Brock	REC/END	6'5"	201	Jr.
88	Carlos Moreno	KICKER	5'10"	160	Sr.



(Back Row, L-R) Garrett Martin, Eric Flores, Russell Sheets, Kylie McGaha, Jeff Brock, Ricky Garcia, Caleb Gillaspie, Wayne Gibson, Marcus Vasquez; (Middle Row, L-R) Coach Ric Smith, Marshall Hearon, Michael Lozano, Isaac Herndon, Orie Cooksey, Brock Town, Brodie Savage, Tracy Brown, Coach Jerry Bass; (Front Row, L-R) Carlos Moreno, Mark Thomas, Gerardo Ruiz, Jerry Anaya, Justin Parker, Chris Cudd, Clete Vanderburg, Jarick Howard



Varsity Cheerleaders

(Back Row, L-R) Cricket Salgado, Sami Cazares, Jena Cherry and Dana McLaughlin; (Front Row, L-R) Jentry Edwards, Claudia Vaquera, Mascot Mallory Paul, Cayla Smith and Britta Vanderburg

Head Coach/Athletic Director: Ric Smith, W.T.S.U.
 Assistant Coaches: Jerry Bass, W.T.S.U.; Brian Beck, W.T.S.U.; Greg Gibson, Bethan Nazarene; Brian Holt, W.T.S.U.; Doug Bowles, Southwestern Oklahoma State University; Jay Lamb (trainer), W.T.S.U.
 Superintendent: Rod Sumner Principal: Bill Belger
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Gabriel Enriquez	Cesar Macias	Alejandro Rios	
Megan Evans	Sonya Mendoza	Marlon Robledo	



8TH GRADE LYNX

No.	Name
10	Tyler Rex
13	Austin Benton
14	Blayne Baker
26	Colby Odegaard
28	Victor Flores
40	Matt Diaz
50	Mark Deakin
55	Steve Salazar
60	J.J. Rojas
62	Jesse Moreno
67	Carlos Lopez
70	Victor Villa
71	Eddie Regalado
73	Danny Rosales
74	Elliott Sheets
77	Jesus Morales
78	Carlos Mendoza
81	Marlon Robledo
82	Jeremy Frost
86	Dane Harbour
88	Lupe Mendoza

2003 JV LYNX

No.	Name	Class
10	Collin Gillaspie	9
21	Josh Chambers	10
22	Ryan Ramon	9
25	Roberto Flores	9
28	Lance Huddleston	9
30	Casey Cator	9
33	Zach Nollner	9
37	Carlos Baca	10
40	Aaron Maestas	9
44	J.J. Gallelgos	10
45	Stuart Martin	9
51	Brandon Cogdill	9
58	Bryan Thomas	9
60	Charles Oltman	9
61	Rhett Renner	9
64	Francisco Brieseno	9
65	Cody Eslick	9
66	Drifin Roberts	9
68	Louis Almanza	9
70	Jeremy Ashby	9
71	Steven Vaquera	10
72	Keith Sumner	9
74	Cesar Macias	9
78	Joel Lopez	10
80	Travis Sander	10
81	Brynr Garnett	9
82	Roy John Bulls	10
84	Nic Avila	9
85	Hernando Perez	10
87	Jordan Sweat	9
88	Anthony Renteria	8

7TH GRADE LYNX

10	Dustin Frost	33	Colton Mayfield	68	Gerardo Chavez
13	Tyler Harper	34	Andy Mendez	70	Travis Boyd
14	Kacee Breeden	42	Kegan Gamett	74	Dylan Sumner
20	Brett Landers	51	Jose Anaya	77	Raul Pena
22	Brett Winegarner	52	David Almanza	79	Lance Fishburn
24	Seth Coates	54	Anthony Arjona	80	Justin Duby
25	Chase Farrar	56	Domingo Salazar	84	T.J. Worley
31	Addam Ferguson	58	Tyler Schnell	86	Gabriel Moreno
32	Jacob Leicht	60	Jorge Briseno	88	Josua Hernandez
		64	Leo Juarez		

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<p>Hi-Plains Auto Spearman • 659-2506 <i>Go Lynx!</i></p>	<p>Corner Service Station Spearman • 659-3426 <i>Corner them!</i></p>	<p>H&H Credit Union Stinnett • 878-2452 <i>We're 'Interested' in Lynx Football!</i></p>
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Lynx Bag Bucks, 33-0

The Spearman Lynx went deer hunting last Friday night and bagged the White Deer Bucks, 33-0.
 The Lynx started on their own 31-yard line and scored on their opening drive with a 42-yard touchdown by Clete Vanderburg. The PAT was no good, leaving the score 6-0.
 The Bucks were unable to answer the score, but the Lynx followed on their next possession with a 6-yard touchdown by Mark Thomas. Thomas encored the score with the two-point conversion run, making the score 14-0.
 The Lynx added six more points to the board before half-time with a 12-yard touchdown by Garrett Martin.
 The defense did their part in the game, by not allowing any points.
 With 1:24 left in the half, Ricky Garcia intercepted a Buck pass, but the Lynx were not able to capitalize. The half ended with the score 20-0.
 On the Bucks first drive in the second half, Russell Sheets forced a fumble. Brodie Savage cashed in on the play, recovering the ball on the Bucks 38-yard line. Marcus Vasquez scored on a 7-yard run, followed by the PAT by Jerry Anaya.
 With 4:21 left in the game, Marcus Vasquez scored again on a 41-yard run. The PAT was no good, leaving the score 33-0.

This Week

The Lynx will host Stratford for Homecoming on Friday with pre-game activities beginning at 7 p.m., and a kick-off of 7:30.

Spearman vs. White Deer

Offensive Stats

Rushing: Clete Vanderburg - 18 Carries - 159 yds., 1TD; Mark Thomas - 15 Carries - 100 yds., 1TD; Garrett Martin - 7 Carries - 62 yds., 1TD; Marcus Vasquez - 5 Carries - 70 yds., 2TD; Brock Town - 5 Carries - 28 yds.; Michael Lozano - 2 Carries - 16 yds.; Jarrick Howard - 1 Carry - 1 yd.
Total Rushing: 53 Carries - 436 yds, 5TD
Passing: Garrett Martin - 3 of 6 - 30yds.
Receiving: Jeff Brock - 1 - 14 yds; Ricky Garcia - 1 - 10 yds; Mark Thomas - 1 - 6 yds

Defensive Stats

1 Interception; 3 Fumble Recoveries
Rushing: 19 Carries - 46 yds.
Passing: 6-15-1 - 65yds
Total Defense: Total: 111 yds.

Game at a Glance

	Spearman	White Deer
Score by Quarters	6/14/7/6 = 33	0/0/0/0 = 0
First downs	21	7
Yards Rushing	435	46
Yards Passing	30	65
Total Yards	465	111
Comp/Att/Int	3/7/0	5/11/1
Fumbles/Lost	2/0	4/3
Punts/Avg.	1/25	4/35
Penalties/Yards	19/95	3/20

Devils Torment Hounds

by Harietta Carthel

Cashing in on turnovers, the Texhoma Red Devils banked a 48-14 win over the Gruver Greyhounds Friday night in a non-district clash.

The Red Devils wasted no time, tallying their first score on a Skyler Crippen opening kickoff return of 85 yards.

Although the Hound defense toughened up with two goal line stands, a Pandora's Box of fumbles, interceptions, and high snaps to the punter took their toll. Synchronizing in the fourth quarter, the Hounds rallied for two touchdowns.

Gruver's troubles came early when a high snap to the punter, following the Hounds' first possession, gave Texhoma the ball fifteen yards out.

The Red Devils' Blake Johnson blasted to the one-yard line, but a Garrett Miner tackle for loss forced Texhoma to settle for a field goal attempt which was wide left.

The Red Devils were more successful on their next possession as they marched 43 yards for their second touchdown.

Near the period's end a second high snap to the punter gave Texhoma the ball on the Gruver 12 yard line.

With fourth and one on the Gruver one-yard line, a jarring tackle by Hutch Reed squelched the Red Devils effort, leaving the score at 0-13, Texhoma, at the end of the first quarter.

The Hounds' luck seemed to change for the better in the second period when Gruver's defense stopped the Red Devils 24 yards from pay dirt on a fourth and one play.

Taking over on their own 24 yard line, Hound David Puebla ripped off 18 yards before the first of seven fumbles Texhoma would recover for the night, mired the run and the game.

A Hutch Reed interception on the Red Devils first play fell victim to a Texhoma fumble recovery.

The plague of fumbles continued with Texhoma scoring one touchdown in the second quarter and four touchdowns in the third quarter, three from fumble recoveries and one from an interception.

Gruver launched two scoring drives in the fourth quarter. The first began on the Texhoma 42 when Gruver gained possession following a tackle for loss by Salvador Luciano.

Yardage by Brock Irwin and Ryan Winger put the Hounds in Texhoma territory when a 17 yard blitz by Luciano put the ball on the 34 yard line.

The Hounds prevailed two plays later on a 26 yard pass from Lance Williams to Carlos Borunda with a Cody Mac Been PAT kick following.

Gruver's final score came early in the fourth quarter when Puebla broke loose for a 44 yard touchdown run.

This Week

The Hounds will hone their skills for a September 12th clash at Panhandle with the top-ranked Panthers of district 6-2A.

Rushing: Salvador Luciano 14 carries for 100 yards; Ryan Winger 12 carries for 48 yards; Brock Irwin 3 carries for 19 yards; David Puebla 5 carries for 20 yards

Receiving: Ryan Winger 2 for 20 yards; Carlos Borunda 2 for 64 yards; Salvador Luciano 2 for 1 yard

Game at a Glance

	Gruver	Texhoma
First downs	6	13
Yards Rushing	153	189
Yards Passing	13	85
Tot. Yds.	266	274
Comp/Att/Int	8/12/2	6/10/0
Fumbles/Lost	7/7	0/0
Punts/Avg.	5/30	5/35
Penalties/Yards	0/0	7/30

SCHOOL NEWS

Spearman High School News

The annual FFA Meat Sale will begin September 15 and continue through September 26.

The SHS Band Discount Cards will be sold September 20 - September 26.

The SHS Cross Country teams will compete at Follett Saturday, September 13.

See You at the Pole, is slated for September 17 at 7:00 a.m.

Spearman Jr. High School News

A pep rally is slated for 3:00 p.m. Thursday, September 18 at the junior high gym.

Junior high football teams will be traveling to Highland Park September 18. The seventh grade game will begin at 5:00 p.m.

Spearman Elementary News

Parents, grandparents, and all those interested in Gus Birdwell Elementary School are invited to the PTO Meeting slated for September 23 at 7:00 p.m. in the auditorium of the elementary school.

There will be an immunization clinic September 22 from 10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. in the Life Skills Room of the junior high.

Pizza Hut will give a portion of the nightly proceeds of September 25, to Gus Birdwell Elementary PTO from 5:00 p.m. - close. A coupon from the school is required to give the school credit.

A 5K Fun Run Walk will be held October 4 as a fun raiser for Gus Birdwell Elementary. Contact K.C. Garnett of Cindy Blackman for more information.

Gruver High School News

Student Council officers have been selected at Gruver High School.

David Puebla will serve as president with Jenny Hart as vice president and Laina Grotegut as secretary/treasurer

Class representatives are Ben Williams, Tyler lane, Lauren Urban, Hutch Reed, Dimna Cruz, David Parker, Yolanda Hernandez, Samantha Myatt, Brad Clawson, Drew Grotegut, and Kellyn King.

See You at the Pole is set for 7:30 a.m. Wednesday, September 17. The Fellowship of Christian Athletes is in charge of the program at the flag pole. The Ministerial Alliance of Gruver will serve donuts and orange juice to students.

The community is also invited to gather at the high school flag pole for prayer.

The ACT test will be administer at Gruver High School September 27, beginning at 8:00 a.m.

Open house for high school parents will be from 6:30-7:30 p.m. Tuesday, September 30.

Gruver Jr. High School News

The junior high will travel to Vega Thursday, September 18th for a 5:00 game with the Longhorns.

The junior high open house for parents is slated for Monday, September 15th at 7:00 p.m. in the junior high library. A mini-schedule of the students school day will follow.

Junior high Title I parents will also meet that night.

Gruver Elementary School News

Classes began Tuesday, September 2nd, for three-year-old in the Building Bridges program. The class will be each Tuesday and Thursday from 9-10 a.m. by Sylvia Borunda and Eva Spivey.

Elementary students are reminded of the S. Jude's Bike-A-Thon to be held at 2:00 p.m. on Saturday in the city park. Coordinator Renea Swink may be contacted for more information.

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LARGE GARAGE SALE - SPEARMAN: Saturday, September 13th, 9 a.m. - ?; 702 Wilbanks. 1(9-11-03)B

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Equal Employment Opportunity Employer TFN(7-31-03)B

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING CONSIDER ASSESSMENTS
The City Council of the City of Spearman will hold a public hearing at 7:30 p.m. on September 16, 2003 in the Council Chambers of the Spearman City Hall located at 30 SW Court. The public hearing will consider assessing the property owners of Lots 7 through 18, Block 9, Original Town, City of Spearman, Hansford County, Texas for sidewalk replacement and repair in front of the above indicated properties of the existing sidewalks. The City engineer has estimated the costs of replacement and repair to be a total cost of \$63,000.00. The estimated per front foot proposed to be assessed will be \$200.00 per front foot of sidewalk replaced. Cost estimates, plans and additional information is available for public review and copying at the City Hall between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. 3(8-28-03)B

LEGAL NOTICE

Spearman I.S.D. is accepting sealed bids for the refurbishment of their existing all-weather running track. The project includes making repairs as required, applications of two coats of structural polyurethane and applying stripes and markings. All labor, materials, services, and equipment necessary for completion of the work described should be included in the bid.

Contact Larry Murphy at (806) 659-3233 to schedule a time to conduct a walk-through of the track and to receive a bid package with additional specifications and information. All sealed bids are due by noon on Friday, September 26, 2003. The project must be completed before January 30, 2004.

Send bids to Attn: Larry Murphy, Spearman I.S.D., 403 East 11th Avenue, Spearman, Texas 79081. Successful bidders must furnish certificates of insurance showing coverage of General Liability, Workers' Compensation and Commercial Automobile Liability and Umbrella Liability in amounts acceptable by Spearman I.S.D. before commencing work. Spearman I.S.D. reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids or parts of bids, and to waive any formalities and technicalities. 2(9-4-03)B

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Billing Clerk: responsibilities include filing and follow-up of insurance claims. Previous experience preferred.

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Equal Employment Opportunity Employer 2(9-4-03)B

CITATION BY PUBLICATION WITH SHERIFFS RETURN

THE STATE OF TEXAS

TO: PAULINA HERNANDEZ CHAMBERS, Respondent,

GREETING:
YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED TO APPEAR by filing a written answer to the Petitioner's Petition at or before ten o'clock a.m. of the first Monday after the expiration of forty-two days from the date of the issuance of this citation, same being Monday, the 20th day of October, 2003, before the Honorable 84th Judicial District Court of Hansford County, Texas, at the Courthouse of said County in Spearman, Texas. Said Petitioner's Petition was filed in said court on the 5th day of June, 2003, in this cause, numbered 4631 on the docket of said court, and styled,

In the Matter of the Marriage of JOHN CHAMBERS and PAULINA CHAMBERS and in the interest of AMBER LYNN CHAMBERS and JAMES ALLEN CHAMBERS and JOHN ANTHONY CHAMBERS, Minor Children.

The court has authority in this suit to enter any judgement or decree in the child's interest which will be binding upon you, including the termination of the parent-child relationship, the determination of paternity and the appointment of a conservator with authority to consent to the child's adoption.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: See ORIGINAL PETITION FOR DIVORCE, as is more fully shown by Petitioner's Petition on file in this suit.

The name and address of the attorney for the Petitioner is: CECIL R. BIGGERS, Box 342, SPEARMAN, TX 79081.

The officer executing this process shall promptly execute the same according to law, and make due return as the law directs.

Issued and given under my hand and the seal of said Court, at office in Spearman, Texas, this 5th day of SEPTEMBER A.D., 2003.

Kim V. Vera, Clerk
84th Judicial District Court
Hansford County, Texas
By: Janet Torres, Deputy
1(9-11-03)B

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Counselor's Corner

by Krista Baird, Spearman High School Counselor

Spearman ISD High School student have many testing opportunities to take part in.

High school seniors and juniors can now register for the upcoming ACT test. The test will be offered in Spearman Saturday, October 25. To avoid late fees, the registration deadline is September 19.

Students may register to take the upcoming SAT test. The test will be offered on October 11. Students may register until September 13, but a late fee will be added. The SAT test will be offered again November 1. Students can find the closest testing site in the SAT registration packet.

Juniors may register in Mrs. Baird's office for the PSAT (Preliminary SAT) test. The PSAT measures verbal reasoning, critical reading, math problem-solving, and writing skills. The PSAT is also the National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test. The cost of the test is \$10.50, and the deadline for registering is Wednesday, October 1. The test will be administered Tuesday, October 21.

Sophomores may register in Mrs. Baird's office for the PLAN test. PLAN is the 10th grade test that gives students a forecast of how they might do on the ACT assessment. In addition to gauging academic achievement, PLAN provides information for educational and career planning. PLAN will be offered Tuesday, October 28. The cost is \$8.50. The deadline for registering is Monday, October 6.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Mrs. Baird at 659-2584.

Letter to the Editor

Dear Editor:
It is with mixed emotions that I must announce I have resigned as Republican County Chairman for Hansford County. My obligations at work in conjunction with my other activities in the community will no longer allow me to spend the time to handle my duties as County Chairman.

Throughout the last five years, I have greatly enjoyed working with and for the Republican Party in our county. The candidates have always been very accommodating as well as the citizens of the community.

The Hansford County Republican Party is now accepting applications to fulfill the unexpired term of County Chairman. This is a very fulfilling and rewarding position which allows someone to participate in politics on a local as well as statewide level. Please contact me with any questions on filling this position.
Sincerely,
Brian Gillispie

Lynx Players of the Week

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Defense



Wayne Gibson



Jeff Brock



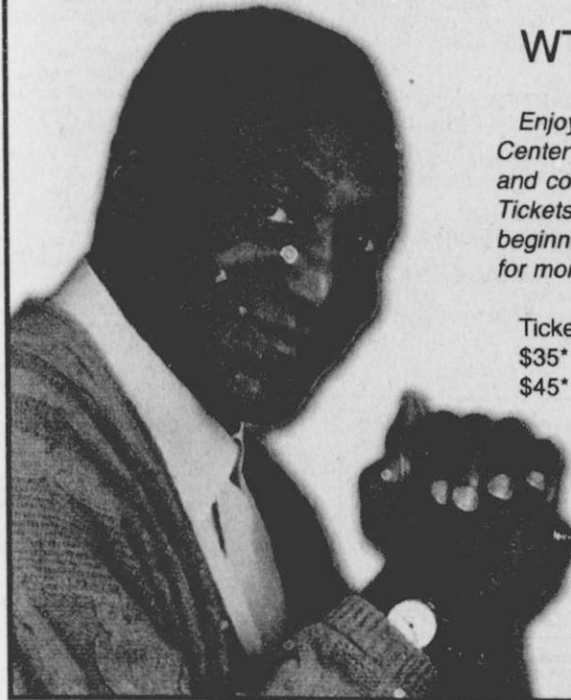
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October 9



7 p.m.
WTAMU Event Center

Enjoy an evening in the still-new Event Center with the Emmy-award winning actor and comedian sharing his insightful comedy. Tickets will be available to the general public beginning September 8. Call (806) 651-1414 for more information.

Ticket Prices:
\$35* - General admission seats
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*taxes and service charge apply



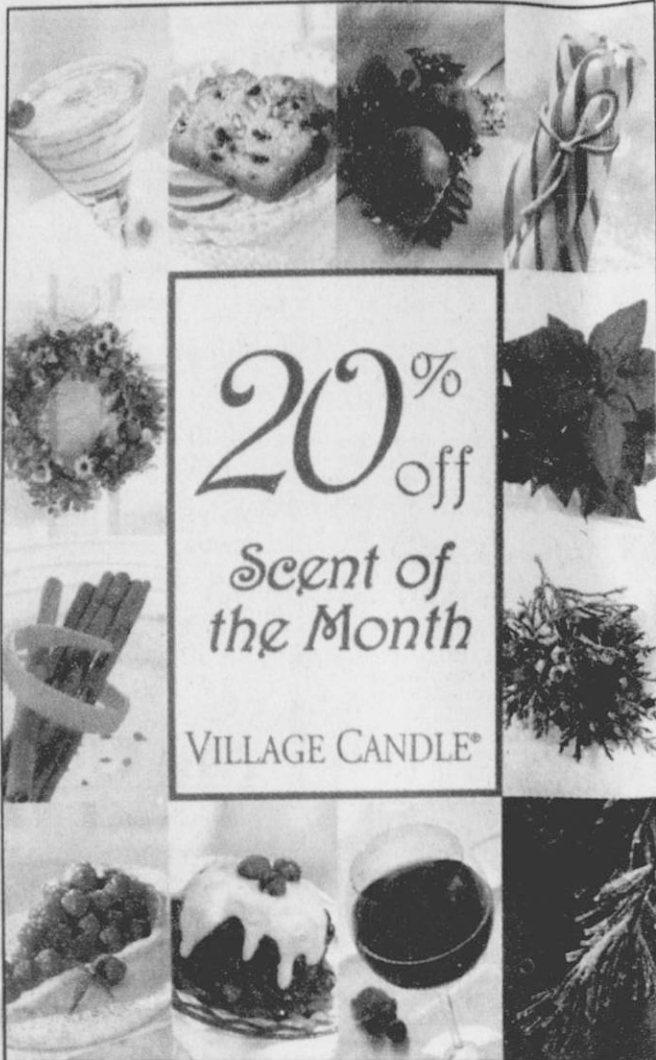
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Presented by
Gus Birdwell PTO
October 4, 2003



Mail Entry form and \$
Community Resource Program
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Spearman, TX 79081
Fax (806) 659-2079

Or Return to:
Family Fun Walk/Run Drop Box
Gus Birdwell Elementary School
Office
511 S. Townsend

RACE (check one) ● 5K (8:30 a.m.) ● mile (9:30 a.m.) at H.S. track
T-Shirt Size (check one) ● Adult: S ● M ● L ● XL ●
● Child: S (fits age 4 & under) ● M (fits age 5 to 6) ● L ●

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Postmarked or received by Sept. 26	\$12.00	\$8.00	\$35.00
Race Day Registration	\$14.00	\$9.00	\$40.00

Race will begin at Esca Park and finish at the High School Track.
Entry Fee Total \$ _____

*NOTE: All participants must have a signed waiver before the race begins. Permission granted to request or make extra copies of entry form.

WAIVER

I know that running/walking is a very strenuous and potentially hazardous activity. I certify that to the best of my knowledge, I am in good physical condition that would enable me to participate in the Gus Birdwell PTO 5k walk/run event.

I am fully aware and assume all risks associated with participating in this event, including, but not limited to falls, contact with other participants, the effect of weather, including extreme cold or heat, humidity, wind, snow, rain, ice, or conditions on the road, and I appreciate and assume all risks associated with the presence of vehicular traffic on the race course.

Having read this waiver and knowing these facts, I for myself and anyone entitled to act in my behalf, waive and release the Gus Birdwell PTO, Spearman Independent School District, Spearman City, the race coordinators, sponsors, race officials and volunteers for any or all claims or liability for death or damages for all injuries to me or my property arising out of or in connection with this event, including but without limitation, claims or liabilities resulting from those matters described in the preceding paragraphs. This waiver extends to all claims of any kind or nature, whether known or unknown, known or unknown. Furthermore, I grant permission to all foregoing organizations and entities to use any photograph, recordings or any other record of this event for legitimate purposes.

In addition, my signature below verifies that I have read and agree to the terms stated above. I understand that the entry fee is non-refundable. A facsimile copy of my signature is a valid signature for this waiver.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

5K Family Fun Walk/Run Map

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