

Iranian president sticks by anti-Israel comments
Iranian President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad on Monday stuck by comments casting doubt on the Holocaust that drew censure from the U.N. Security Council and widespread condemnation by world leaders.

Friends of slain US nun vow to press Brazil fight
Two Brazilian ranch hands began long prison sentences on Sunday after they were convicted of murdering American nun and rain forest activist Dorothy Stang in a trial seen as a test of Brazil's will to combat land battle killings on its Amazon frontier.

Court rejects appeal before Calif. execution
A U.S. federal appeals court rejected a last-minute appeal on Monday to reconsider the evidence in the case of Stanley Tookie Williams, the former Crips gang leader slated to be executed at 12:01 a.m. (3:01 a.m. EDT/0801 GMT) on Tuesday.

High court to decide Texas redistricting plan
The Supreme Court said on Monday it would decide a challenge by Democrats, minority groups and others to the 2003 congressional redistricting plan in Texas engineered by Republican U.S. Rep. Tom DeLay.

White House pushes Congress to OK Alaska drilling
Bush administration officials on Monday urged Congress to include opening Alaska's Arctic National Wildlife Refuge (ANWR) to oil drilling in a broad budget-cutting bill that could see a vote this week.

Canada shrugs off U.S. warning to back off
The United States made an unprecedented foray into Canada's election campaign on Tuesday, warning politicians not to bash Washington in their bid to win the January 23 election.

What Sunni voters want
In a complete turnaround from last January's vote to select an interim assembly, Sunni Arabs are expected to turn out in large numbers Thursday to select Iraq's new parliament.

Rice: countries "boycotting" Saddam trial
U.S. Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice on Tuesday accused the international community of shirking its obligation to help prosecute ousted Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein by effectively boycotting his trial.

Senator returns cash from Abramoff Indian clients
The top Democrat on a committee looking into possible lobbying fraud said on Tuesday he had returned \$67,000 in contributions from clients and co-workers of Jack Abramoff, the lobbyist at the center of the scandal.

Democrats seek energy independence by 2020
Democrats launched a plan on Monday for energy independence by 2020 that seeks to relieve historically high oil and gas prices by cutting reliance on foreign sources of energy.

Iran's Ahmadinejad declares Holocaust is a myth
Iran's President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad said on Wednesday that the Holocaust was a myth, ramping up his rhetoric and triggering a fresh wave of international condemnation.

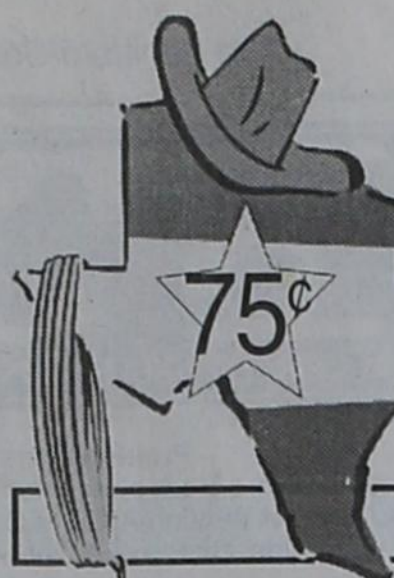
Fight looming, senators oppose food stamp cuts
In a nonbinding vote, the U.S. Senate opposed on Wednesday \$700 million in food stamp cuts proposed by the House, a high-profile part of planned legislation to trim federal spending by about \$42 billion.

Schwarzenegger looks to rebuild power
The celebrity California governor, gearing up for 2006 reelection bid, aims to craft a more centrist image.

White House will oppose terror insurance expansion
The White House will oppose any effort to expand the federal terrorism insurance program, including some proposals being weighed by lawmakers working on a last-minute deal to keep the program alive, a Treasury official said on Wednesday.

House passes health, education spending cuts
The U.S. House of Representatives on Wednesday narrowly passed a \$602 billion bill to cut funds for health, education and labor programs nearly one month after a slightly different version of the measure was unexpectedly rejected.

Pentagon erred in domestic security database - official
The Pentagon has built a massive security database to help protect U.S. military bases and troops that includes unwarranted information on Iraq war opponents and peace activists in the United States, a defense official said on Wednesday.



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Your Community's Town Hall

Swan named 'Big of the Year'

Sally Swan was named Big of the Year at the Big Brothers Big Sisters Volunteer Appreciation Dinner held December 10th. Swan and her Little Brother, Hector, have been matched since September 2004.

The match actually began through the organization's school based mentoring program, Bigs in Schools. "Sally and Hector began meeting together at Perryton Junior High," explained Kimberley Lopez, agency case manager. "It's not uncommon for a male student to be matched with a Big Sister because often there are not enough Big Brothers."

"It can be tricky for an adult to start a relationship with a child around 12 or 13, but Sally and Hector hit it off immediately," she added. The match met together on Thursday mornings for the whole school year. They played games and talked, made art projects including gifts for family, worked on homework and also helped around the school. Swan and her Little Brother made bulletin boards at Perryton Kinder and even read to Kinder students.

Once the school year came to a close, the match decided to continue to meet over the summer. "We worked together to tailor a match to fit the situation," Lopez explained. "Because Sally is the school nurse she has more free time during the summers, so the match meets regularly outside of school during June, July and August. During the school year they meet weekly at school and occasionally get together outside of school as time allows."

"There were a few challenges to overcome. The main one is that Sally lives in Spearman and Hector lives in Perryton. They have managed to meet regularly even with soaring gas prices!" Lopez said. "It really is a family match as Sally's husband and son enjoy including Hector in their family's outings. Over the summer they went to the zoo and to the lake. Hector even cooked a complete dinner for the family to express his gratitude."

"Hector did tell me that what he wants for Christmas is a phone card so that he can call his Big Sister!" added Lopez.

Hector wrote a letter nominating his mentor for the award, "I like Sally because she has been a great Big Sister. We have had a lot of fun doing projects like painting, cooking, going to places such as the zoo. Sally has taught me a lot. She has helped me be more mature. And to learn how to think better. She has been a lot of help to me in learning a lot of things that I could not have learned by myself. We have had a lot of fun playing with her son Reid and her husband Lance. I thank Sally for going to all the trouble of meeting me here in Perryton, coming all the way from Spearman to meet with me and have a fun day. And I thank Sally because she has taught me to be more outgoing. Thank you, Sally!"

The agency's other volunteers were also honored. The other community-based mentors are Nikki Lozano, Cindy Blackman, Keith Hight, Jess Anne Lusby and Carolyn McLeod. The mentors in the school based program, Bigs in



L-R: Lonnie Clemmons of Morse, Judge Benny Wilson, and Danny Henson, Hansford County Commissioner, Precinct 4 (far right) accept a check from Mary Alice Smith of the Office of Rural Community Affairs. The grant money is for a water system improvement for the Morse Water Supply Corporation.

Schools, serving at Spearman Elementary are Bryn Garnett, Tonya Hart, Lindsey Short, Jordan Short, Emily Hood, Abby Winegarner, James Cunningham, Tobe Shields, Rhett Renner, Callie Cazares, Britta Vanderburg, Saylee Flowers, Ronda Bynum, and Janna Brock. Those meeting weekly with

students at Spearman Junior High are Jim Derington, Lance Huddleston and Jascha Fishburn.

There are 19 volunteers matched with children through the Bigs in Schools program in Perryton's school district and five at Kirksey Elementary School in Booker. Thirteen mentors are matched with children in Perryton through the community based program option and one in Booker. There are children on the waiting list for each program in each community.

Nineteen volunteers from Perryton, Spearman and Booker serve as the organization's Advisory Committee. They are Vickie Barby, Tommy Butler, Becky Randall, Shelly Cowan, Sue Phillips, Matt Bartosiewicz, Cyndi Bollinger, Theresa Brillhart, Jason Cantrell, Shelly Cowan, Ken Donahue, Alfredo Gonzalez,

Marva LaMaster, Tara Leicht, Debbie McGarraugh, Johnanna Dear, Deidra Gerdes, Alan Finney and Marilyn Rieswig. "They work countless hours to make the annual fundraiser, Walk For Kids Sake, a success," Lopez said. "They provide the leadership and muscle for all of our projects from parade floats to our meal sale for United Way. They are a dedicated and generous group!"

"Sally is a special person who has helped Hector immensely," Lopez added. "Our program works because of the many special people who share themselves with children." For more information about the program, call 434-0016.

Ruth Roberson of Perryton was awarded the "Bigs In Schools Big of the Year." Her Little Sister's name is Marina and they have been matched since 2002.



Ginger Turner (right) prepares a hot dog for Santa during First State Bank's annual Customer Appreciation Hot Dog Lunch. The lunch was held on Wednesday, December 14th.

Hansford County Sheriff's Department Receives \$33,634 Grant

Hansford County Sheriff, Gary Evans, received official notification on Thursday, November, 29, 2005, from Governor Rick Perry's office that Hansford County was awarded a federal grant for \$33,634 to purchase law enforcement equipment.

According to Governor Perry's web site these funds for new equipment are awarded under the federal Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program and distributed by the Governor's Criminal Justice Division (CJD).

The grant was one applied for by the Sheriff along with Deputy Tim Glass some time in early summer. The \$33,634 will be used to purchase 4 tasers, 3 digital cameras with docking stations, 4 bullet-proof vests, 3 portable breath test machines and 4 Panasonic Tough Notebooks for the squad cars. The Hansford County Commissioners have approved matching funds of \$3,737 as required by the grant procedures. In addition the officers will be receiving training on the new equipment which is also required by the grant.

Each year the CJD provides more than \$130 million in grants to help law enforcement departments including juvenile justice, criminal justice and victim services programs.

"These grants provide local law enforcement with updated equipment and necessary resources enabling them to better serve their communities and protect our citizens," Governor Perry said.

NOTICE

Due to the Christmas and New Year's holidays, the deadline for information to be included in the December 22nd and 29th issue will be Wednesday, December 14th at 5 p.m.

For more information, please contact Catherine Smith at 659-3434 or CathyRSmit@aol.com. Information may also be faxed to (806) 659-3368.

The Hansford County Reporter-Statesman office will be CLOSED December 26th-January 1st. We will resume regular business hours on Monday, January 2, 2005.

Operation Christmas Greeting

The Hansford Hospital Auxiliary has begun their annual fundraiser - "Operation Christmas Greeting." Instead of mailing greeting cards, persons may donate money to the Hansford Hospital & Manor Auxiliary. This money is used to purchase equipment and supplies that are not budgeted at the Hospital and Manor.

Merry Christmas

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Your donations can be mailed to Operation Christmas Greeting, 723 Steele Dr., Spearman, Texas 79081.

WEATHER FORECAST

THURSDAY NIGHT - Partly cloudy. Lows around 16. Light and variable winds.

FRIDAY - Mostly cloudy. Highs in the lower 40s. Southeast winds 10 to 15 mph.

FRIDAY NIGHT - Mostly cloudy. Lows around 19. South winds around 15 mph.

SATURDAY - Mostly cloudy with a 20 percent chance of snow. Highs in the mid 30s.

SATURDAY NIGHT - Mostly cloudy with a 20 percent chance of snow. Lows around 18.

SUNDAY - Cloudy with a 20 percent chance of snow. Highs in the lower 30s.

SUNDAY NIGHT - Cloudy with a 30 percent chance of snow. Lows around 18.

MONDAY - Cloudy with a 30 percent chance of snow. Highs in the lower 30s.

MONDAY NIGHT - Cloudy with a 20 percent chance of snow. Lows around 13.

TUESDAY - Decreasing clouds. Highs around 40.

TUESDAY NIGHT - Partly cloudy. Lows around 20.

WEDNESDAY - Partly cloudy. Highs in the mid 40s.

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by Catherine R. Smith
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The following story, "The Meaning of the Ornaments," was written by Janet Smith of Sunnyvale, California. I hope you enjoy it.

The Meaning of the Ornaments

My German grandmother used to tell me tales of all the ornaments on the tree. When my own three sons were old enough to comprehend their meanings, I told them the beloved stories, and now my grandchildren are enjoying them as well.

The star on top of the tree symbolizes the star of Bethlehem that shone, leading the three wise men to the stable where Jesus lay.

The lights are all the other stars twinkling in the sky.

The garland wraps round the tree like a mother's arms wrapped around her babe, loving and protecting it.

The round ornaments signify the earth that God created for man.

The colors are different and each represents something special. Red is for Jesus' blood that was shed to redeem us. Blue is for the skies that glow by sunlight during the day and shimmer by moonlight during the night. Green is for the trees and plants that God created to provide food for us. Silver and gold are for the rich blessings that He has given us.

The tinsel glistens like little sparks of fire, like the fire Joseph probably made to keep Mary and Jesus warm.

And the tree itself is full of life, adorned, standing proudly and pointing to heaven where Jesus waits for us... the tree seems to say, "Happy Birthday, Jesus, Happy Birthday!"

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 :)

Gus Birdwell Elementary UIL Results

Gus Birdwell Elementary School students participated in UIL competition with Canadian, Panhandle and West Texas schools November 15th in Spearman and November 17th in Panhandle. The students worked very hard and did an outstanding job in the competition.

4th and 5th grade Art- **Adrianna Corralejo, 5th place**, Audy Reed, Allison Brown, Mabry Sutterfield; 4th grade Music Memory-**Vanessa Briseno, 5th place**, Kelsea Miller; 3rd grade Storytelling-**Zane Hughes 2nd place**, Peyton Garnett, Javier Cato, Vanessa Vela; 2nd grade Creative Writing-**Peyton Harrell, 1st place**, Trea Rice, **6th place**, Logan Sowder, Shelby Sasser; 5th grade Music Memory-**Crystal Cantu 2nd place**, **Katy Miser 4th place**, **Kyla Walker 5th place**, Itzel Meza; 5th grade Number Sense-**Arik Mires 4th place**, **Audy Reed 5th place**, Mason Price, **Katy Miser, 5th place**, Listening-**Crystal Cantu 3rd place**, **Adrianna Corralejo 4th place**, Greg Torres, Veronica Mendoza; 4th grade Number Sense- **Miranda Hargus, Stephanie Hernandez, Gladys Flores; 5th grade Oral Reading- Paige Pierson 4th place, Kyla Walker 6th place**, Cynthia Mendoza, Maria Pena; 5th grade Maps, Graphs, Charts- **Audy Reed, Jake Willimon, Adrianna Corralejo; 4th grade Oral Reading- Sydney McDonald 5th place, Katie Miser 6th place**, Miranda Hargus; 4th grade Ready Writing- **Katie Miesner; 3rd grade Music Memory-Emily Miser 6th place**, Peyton Garnett, Jayme Pack, Tyann Hight; 3rd grade Ready Writing-**Madison Price 3rd place, Slade Garnett 5th place, Tyann Hight 6th place; 3rd grade Spelling-4th place Slade Garnett, Tyann Hight, J. D. Reed; 5th grade Dictionary Skills- Adrianna Corralejo 2nd place, Crystal Cantu 6th place**, Kylee Hegstrom, Itzel Meza; 5th grade Spelling-**Crystal Cantu 1st place, Paige Pierson 3rd place, Cynthia Mendoza 5th place, Jake Willimon; 5th grade Ready Writing- Eryn Saenz 4th place, Paige Pierson 5th place, Jesus Carrasco; 4th grade Spelling- Allison Smith 3rd place, Carson Pearson 4th place, Katie Miesner, Eulises Mendoza; 2nd grade Storytelling-Logan Sowder 3rd place, Maggie Pipkin, Haylee Miesner, Bryan Meza**

Gladiola Flower Club Meeting

The Gladiola Flower Club met December 8th at 6:00 p.m. in the home of Ann Flowers for their annual Christmas dinner, party and installation of officers.

Kathleen Sutton reported that the Club raised sufficient funds for our 2006 scholarship from the December Home Tour.

Those present: Dickie Allen, Muriel Boyd, Verna Brown, Wanda Brown, Dorothy Buzzard, Betty Davis, Margarette Evans, Ann Flowers, Estelle Jackson, June Jackson, Lorene Kunselman, Norma Jean Mackie, Eloise Renner, Gwen Smith, Kathleen Sutton and Judy Yarbrough.

Hansford Hospice November Minutes

The Hansford Hospice Volunteers met on November 6, 2005 following the Hospice Memorial Service at the First Christian Church in Spearman, Texas.

The meeting was called to order by President, Verna Lee Shirley.

The Lights of Love will be December 5, 2005. Elaine Odegaard is in charge of decorating. Carolyn Hicks is in charge of arranging for the program.

Carolyn Hicks installed the new officers. The following person were installed for the coming year: President-Verna Lee Shirley; Vice-President- Doyle and June Jackson; Secretary-Beverly Antalek; Reporter-Jo Linda Hutchison; Historian- Linda Lieb; Co-program chairman-Carolyn Hicks and Pat Irwin; Treasurer- Pat Sutterfield; Corresponding Secretary-Betty Jean Davis

Rosetta reported that a November is National Hospice Month.

SWSU inducts new members into Rho Chi Pharmacy Honor Society

Twelve Southwestern Oklahoma State University students in Weatherford were recently elected to the Beta Upsilon chapter of the Rho Chi Pharmacy Honor Society.

Honorees are students in the Doctor of Pharmacy program at SWSU. Among the honorees are Halee D. Beasley, Spearman TX; Lacey K. Blankenship, Checotah; Amanda B. Brice, Dewar; Lisa R. Bullard, Muskogee; Heather R. Guynes, Altus; Brooke L. Honey, Midwest City; Jennifer M. Ison, Cement; Anna N. Kroener, Kingfisher; Pamela D. Landua, Beaver and Hugo; Lori L. Lively, Fort Cobb; Mikyla R. Pace, El Reno and Owasso; and Lisa M. Shelton, Altus.

The Rho Chi Society is the national honor society in pharmacy that recognizes outstanding academic achievement. The new members were awarded pins and certificates in an initiation ceremony held on the SWSU campus.

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Prairie Rivers Musical

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

2005 Christmas Pageant - "Treasure"

The Annual Christmas Pageant presented by Paramount Terrace Christian Church at the Civic Center Auditorium has established itself as one of the premier family-oriented holiday traditions in the entire tri-state area. This year the Pageant is entitled "Treasure" and is told from the viewpoint of an old shepherd and his granddaughter. The dates are Friday, December 16th, through Monday, December 19th. Evening presentations are at 7:30 p.m. with Saturday and Sunday afternoon matinees at 3 p.m. Tickets are free and can be obtained from the Music Ministry Office located at the east entrance of the church at 4000 Mays Ave. For more information, call the Music Ministry office at (806) 353-6615.

Producer Meeting - Crop Profitability

A producer meeting on Crop Profitability will be held on Tuesday, December 20th at 1 p.m. in the O'Loughlin Center. 3 CEU's will be awarded. The program will be presented by Steve Amosson, and will include topics like What Will & Will Not Work, Marketing Strategies - Supply, Demand for Major Crops and Profitability, and Projects for 2006. It is sponsored by Texas Cooperative Extension.

Operation Christmas Greeting Begins

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DeLaCruz Medical Fund

If you wish to contribute to help with the burial expenses for Phil DeLaCruz you may do so by sending to the following fund: Felix DeLaCruz Special Account, %H&H Credit Union, PO Box 1187, Stinnett, Texas 79083. Thank you and God bless you!

Place Football Picture Order

The 2005 Football pictures will be on display Sunday, January 8, 2006 from 2:00-4:00 PM at the Church of Christ Fellowship Hall. This is the time you need to come pick out the pictures you would like to order. Prepayment will be required this year.

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Happy Birthday!

Editor's Note: This Happy Birthday list is run as a public service by the Hansford County Reporter-Statesman. We apologize if any names are misspelled. If you know of a name that needs to be changed, added or deleted, please call 659-3434.

Thank you, Catherine

December 15
Birthdays - Dallas Henson, Harvey Profit, Hal Shufeldt, April Davis, Carolyn Davidson, Bob Pearson, Abbe Steger, Clarence Eller, Rosa Pierce, Stephanie Crossland, Donny Davis, Maria Ortiz, Jennie Jones, Jose Vargas, Jim Norton, Joey Bynum, Randall Sauer, LeAnn Shields, Eric Vasquez, April DeLaRosa

December 16
Birthdays - Linda Lackey, Clint Patterson, Marty Bennett, Melanie Clausen, Jennifer Hughes

Anniversary - M/M Byron Kenney, M/M George P. Odom, M/M John Puvines

December 17
Birthdays - Bobbie Novak, Patsy Beville, Sergio Favala, Charles Kruse, Stephanie TeBeest, Brandy Urban, Lupe Guerrero, Francis Floyd, Viola Huiton, Russell Shaver, Lorene Raiz, Charles Layton, Sandi Rich, Michael Park, Pam Cassady, Jimmy Traylor, Stephanie Tyler, Art Maestas
Anniversary - M/M Bill Park, M/M Rick Finley, Steve & Karen Hartgraves

December 18
Birthdays - Jimmy Faren, Ronnie Schaefer, Cassie Butt, Malory Martin, Ben Gruver, Monalisa Garcia, Juanita Vera
Anniversary - Tom & Rita Reed, M/M Dwayne Hart, M/M Dave Karlin

December 19
Birthdays - Steve Beville, Jim Norton, Steve Watkins, Fausto Ruiz, Betty Vernon, Georgia Gaiter, Nan Nicholson, Irene Reed, Sara Dossett, Pat Dear, Gwen McLain, Ford McIntyre, Zachary Brelans, Billy Jo Miesner, Delphine Etling, Cindy Walton, Ruby Katherine Thornton
Anniversary - Frank & Carol Lemons, Earl & June Spencer, M/M Roy Diaz, Kyle & Jennifer Nollner

December 20
Birthdays - Harletta Carthel, Doug Garrett, Esmeralda Renteria, Bill Turner, Peggy Papay, Charles West, Quentin Hayes, Britni Beedy Sanders, Alicia Nikolas, Lexie Woodward, Mary Webster, Quentin Harper, Paul Henry Renteria, Brock Schroeder, Megan Evans
Anniversary - M/M William Porter, Sam & Brenda Pierson, Gary & Cathy Smith, M/M Dale Jones

December 21
Birthdays - Lidwine Carpiaux, Cammie Steele, Anita Ruiz, Linda Garnett, Dallasene Reynolds, Eddy Rojas, Thomas Rodriguez, Johnny Kenny, Terry Womble, Chunky Blackburn, Betty Clifford, Nick Dettmann, Clyde Conley, Michael James Renteria,

Robert Dahl, Cheryl Evans, Elaine Bain
Anniversary - M/M Wayne Cummings, Doris & Danny Hendricks, M/M Bob Telleson, M/M Kenneth Slough, M/M Steve Duncan, M/M Roy Kauffman, Toby & Sally Thomas

December 22
Birthdays - Ted Evans, Richie Fletcher, Molly Blackman, Danna Kay Willis, Tammy Jackson, Andy Watley, Mary Moore, Steve Womble, Temp Shepard, Deanna Kenney, Diane DeLaCruz, Shirley Molden, Solomon Tarenjo, Becky Beedy, Frank Dominguez
Anniversary - R.L. & Kay McFarlin

December 23
Birthdays - Odis Blount, Joel Lee Lackey, Joe Potts, Pat Morris, Sandy Brewer, Judith Jackson, Lloyd McWhirter, Nell Burke, Judy Tindell, Linda Maywell, Jimmy Duncan, Patti Evans, James Knoll, Rey Cook, Lavon Reid
Anniversary - M/M Marty Rator, M/M Byron Peddy, M/M Loren Dahl, M/M Mack Beville

December 24
Birthdays - Kay Hobbs, Benny Wilson, Ernie Vanderberg, Howard Heffey, Kenny Bratton, Melissa Thompson, Jocelyn (Edwards) Miller, Sandee Smith, Mark Eisfeld, Gabby Bravo, Chris Bravo, Don Floyd
Anniversary - Oscar & Rhonda Valdez, & Mrs. Eugene Sadler, M/M Gary Davis

December 25
Birthdays - Joni Hart, Ellen Norton, Melanie Hutton, Bill Miller, Christie Freeman, Noreen Sutton, Jeff Graves, Sharon Hamilton, Gil Harnish, Jimmy Vanlandingham, Dean Womble, John Cass
Anniversary - M/M Red Byrd, M/M Bart Baker

December 26
Birthdays - Jennifer Dahl, Glenda Harvey, Rodney Schroeder, Woody Fowler, Chris Perez
Anniversary - M/M L.T. Wright, M/M Jerry Womble, Eugene & Judy Yarbrough, Carl & Brandon Baker

December 27
Birthdays - Lance Sparks, Sue Close, Jesse Renteria Sr., Shane Abel, Lynn Vernon, Ruth Skinner, Edna Grimmer, Judy McCloy, Julie Deakin, Nicole Burgess, Chad Knowlton
Anniversary - M/M Jerry Younger, M/M Ralph Blodgett, M/M Gene Reynolds, M/M Todd Parker

December 28
Birthdays - Autumn Gruver, Delbert Williams, Billy Dave Hand, Frank Edwards, Jennifer Wells, Kenneth Bullard, Ann Flowers, Tina Mayfield, Pauline Mayes, Fred Breedon, Joyce Vanderberg, Mary Hart, Samantha Cummings, Debbie Hornsby
Anniversary - M/M Everett Tracy, M/M Pat Patterson, M/M Jimmy McLeod, M/M Tony Shapley, M/M Roy Deeds, M/M Pat Holt, Annetta & Charles McIver, Larry & Robbie Butts

Our Sympathy

WILLA FAYE (SEITZ) HAND CREAMER
 HARRAH, OK - Willa Faye (Seitz) Hand Creamer, 61, of Harrah, OK, left this life on November 16, 2005.

Willa Faye was born on January 24, 1944, in Amarillo, TX to Willie & Virgie Elizabeth (Wright) Seitz. Her mother passed away when she was six years old and her step-mother, Emma (Hodel) Seitz raised her from age eight. She graduated from Spearman High School in Spearman, TX and then attended West Texas State in Canyon, TX for two years. She was a rancher and homemaker.

Willa Faye was the secretary for the High Plains Cutting Horse Association in 1974 and for the Oklahoma Cutting Horse Association in 1978. She enjoyed gardening and arts and crafts.

Willa Faye was preceded in death by her parents. Survivors include her husband, Jamie F. Creamer of the home; two sons & daughters-in-law - Billy Dave & Betty Hand of Wellston, OK and Danny & Cheryl Hand of Bluff, TX; two daughters & sons-in-law - Tamara Kay & Kurt Lollis of Harrah, OK and Cyndi Lyn & Marvin Turman of Harrah, OK; 14 grandchildren - Jeremy & Ryan McLain, Tanner, Shay Lyn and Amber Hand, Wacey & Dusty Flatt, Cooper, Garrett & Brody Turman, Bradley, Sydney, Austin, and Ashlee Lollis; three great-grandchildren - Saylor McLain, Jayden Flatt and Davin Whitney-Coon; and many other relatives and friends.

Services were held at 2:00 p.m., Friday, November 18, 2005, at the Asa Smith Memorial Chapel in Harrah, OK, with Rev. David Brassfield officiating. Interment followed at Memory Lane Cemetery, Harrah, OK. Pallbearers were Wacey Flatt, Dusty Flatt, Ryan McLain, Tanner Hand, Marvin Turman and Kurt Lollis. Honorary Pallbearers were Rob Murray, Scott Hansen, John Boydston, Duane Richardson, Sammy Cain, Bob Pearson, Pat Underwood, Eddie Gail Martin, Tom Maples and Howard Robbins. Services were under the direction of Smith-Parks Funeral Service in Harrah, OK. A guest book is available to share your memories on-line. Please visit www.smithparks.com.

Helen Hand

SPEARMAN - Helen Hand, 86, died Tuesday, December 13, 2005. Graveside services will be at 11 a.m. Thursday, December 15 in Hansford Cemetery with the Rev. Jim Medley officiating. Arrangements are by Boxwell Brothers Funeral Home of Spearman.

Mrs. Hand was born June 28, 1919, in Erick, OK to Wesley and Nanalee Roberts Hand. She married Dove Edward Hand in 1938 in Erick. He preceded her in death on Nov. 4, 2003. She was a homemaker and a member of First Baptist Church. She worked at Sheets Drug and Hickerson Jewelry.

She was also preceded in death by her parents. Survivors include a son, Dave Edward Hand Jr. of Spearman; three grandsons, Billy Dave Hand of Wellston, OK, Danny Hand of Claude and Jeffery Hand of Topeka, KS; two brothers, Ray Brown of Santa Maria, CA, and Wayne Brown of Las Vegas; four grandchildren; nine great-grandchildren; and a step-daughter, Tammy Kay Batton of Spearman.

The family suggests memorials be to the American Heart Association in care of Ochiltree General Hospital, 3101 Garrett Drive, Perryton, TX 79070 or Hansford Manor, 707 S. Roland, Spearman, TX 79081.

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FUMC Chancel Choir Presentation

You are invited to join the First United Methodist Church Chancel Choir on Sunday, Dec. 18th at the 11:00 a.m. worship service for the compelling new musical for Christmas entitled "THE GIFT GOES ON."

Written and compiled by Dove Award-winning songwriter, Sue C. Smith and arranged and orchestrated by Dove Award-winner Russell Mauldin, this celebration of the birth of Christ is an experience that you will never forget. Centered on one of the best loved Christmas songs of all time, this carefully crafted musical features a host of traditional carols, and an intimate moment shared with Mary and her Infant Son, a life changing invitation to all mankind to follow the true Christmas Star and a powerful moment of cradle side worship.

Once upon a silent night, God gave a priceless Gift in the form of a Baby. Over two thousand years later, He invites you to join the heavenly chorus and celebrate this Christmas because THE GIFT GOES ON still today! The production will be directed by Trudie Gordon with Mary's solo being performed by Jackie Pearson, the male solo by Tindale Ramon and narrated by Randy Kirk. Please join us for this wonderful production.

"Shine on Us"

"Shine on Us," A Musical for Christmas, will be presented by the Sanctuary Choir Sunday, Dec. 18 at 11:00 a.m. at First Baptist Church. The choir is under the direction of Carol Pack, Minister of Music. Pastor of First Baptist Church is Jim Medley.

"Shine on Us" was created by David Guthrie and Robert Sterling and is a new offering for the 2005 Christmas season. Mr. Sterling also did the musical arrangements and orchestrations. Featuring a wide variety of musical styles, this musical has "something for everybody," from familiar, traditional Christmas Carols to the upbeat, contemporary "Joy" written by Cindy Morgan, popular Christian recording artist. Soloists and narrators featured in this presentation are Wayne Biggs, Ed Beck, Debbie Stopper, Dede Longoria, Lana Medley, Teresa Pack, Mike Pack, Kathie Archer, Don Schroeder, Sam Pierson, Jim Medley, Mary Baker, Shawn Farrar and a ladies trio - Kathie Archer, Becky Byers, and Susan Kidder. The infant Jesus will be portrayed by Elizabeth Joy Pack.

The publisher's notes state, "Each year, as the lights of Christmas are displayed, we are reminded of the dark night sky long ago in Bethlehem where a brilliant star blazed as a radiant beacon of hope and promise, guiding the shepherds to the newborn King, Jesus Christ, the true Light of the World. ...Our prayer is that Shine on Us will ignite the spark of hope and redemption that shines in each of your hearts this Christmas."

First Baptist Church and the Sanctuary Choir join in this prayer as they extend an invitation to the community and surrounding area to worship with them through the presentation of this exciting music of the Christmas season.

Christmas services at FBC

There WILL be worship on Christmas Day at Spearman's First Baptist Church! Pastor Jim Medley will lead a special Christmas Communion Service to be held at 10 a.m. in the sanctuary of the church. Everyone from the community as well as out-of-town guests visiting for Christmas are invited to join together for this meaningful celebration of the birth of our Savior, Jesus Christ the Lord. Other Sunday activities of the church are cancelled for the day in order that families may have uninterrupted time together at home for Christmas observances and festivities. A greeting to all who read this: "Remember that Jesus is the Reason for this Season. May He truly be at the center of your Christmas, wherever and however you celebrate. May God's richest blessings be yours."

FUMC Christmas schedule

The First United Methodist Church of Spearman will hold a Christmas Eve Service at 6 pm. The church will remain open until 8 p.m. for anyone wishing to receive communion.

On Christmas Day the service will be at 10:30 am. There will be no Sunday School classes nor will there will be an 8:30 am service.

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Service Schedule for December

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 Dec. 18 - 11 a.m. - Hanging of Greens
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 Sunday School: 9:30 a.m.
 Worship: 10:35 a.m.
 Kid's Church: 10:35 a.m.
 Evening Worship: 6 p.m.
 Wed. Worship: 7 p.m.
 Wed. Youth: 7
 Pastor - Bob Elder

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

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

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

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 Sat. Night Mass: 5:30 p.m.
 Sun. Mass: 9 a.m. - English
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 Worship: 8:30 & 11 a.m.
 Jr. High Youth: 5 p.m. Sunday
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 Kids Club: 3 p.m. Wed.
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 1101 Bernice • 659-2033
 Pastor - Beverly Cook

Faith Lutheran Church (ELCA)
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 Worship: 11 a.m.
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Union Church
 31 S. Endicott • 659-2644
 Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.
 Worship: 10:45 a.m.
 Evening Worship: 6 p.m.
 Bible Study: 7 p.m. Wed.
 Pastor - Dr. Timothy Minor

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 1102 S. Archer • 659-2783
 Sunday School: 10 a.m.
 Worship: 11 a.m.
 Sun. Evening Worship: 6 p.m.
 Youth/Adult Service: 7:30 Wed.
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Primera Iglesia Bautista
 502 E. 7th • 659-3991
 Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.
 Worship: 11 a.m.
 Evening: 6 p.m.
 Wed. Prayer Meeting: 7 p.m.
 Thurs. Visitation: 7 p.m.
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 Culo Evangelistico - 7 p.m.
 Jueves: Oracion - 8 p.m.
 Mier: Estudio Biblico - 7 p.m.
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First Baptist Church
 402 E. Broadway • 733-2411
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 Worship: 10:50 a.m.
 Disciple Training: 6 p.m. Sunday
 Prayer Meeting: 7:30 p.m. Wednesday
 Pastor - Scott Curry

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

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

Gruver United Methodist
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 733-2651
 Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.
 Worship: 8:30 & 10:50 a.m.
 Summer - 8:00 p.m.
 Eve. Worship & UMY: 6 p.m.
 Pastor - George Price

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DECEMBER 2005

- Dec 14-16 SISD semester exams
- Dec 15 SHS NHS Christmas Party @ HS Library, 5:30-8 p.m.
- Dec 16 Spearman Kindergarten students visit the Manor, 9 a.m.
- Dec 16 SISD early release for holidays, 1 p.m.
- Dec 20-31 SISD Christmas vacation
- Dec 25 Christmas
- Dec 28-30 Littlefield varsity boys/girls basketball tournament
- Dec 31 New Year's Eve

JANUARY 2006

- Jan 1 New Year's Day
- Jan 2 SISD staff development/teacher workday; student holiday
- Jan 3 SISD First day of second semester

**Gus Birdwell Elementary
Lynx Star Award**

Gus Birdwell Elementary has a program called the Lynx Star Award. This award is given each Friday. Each month has a different theme, and each week there is a different character trait that is discussed. December's theme is "Generosity."

Teachers pick a student from their room each week who has worked hard on the trait for that week.

The character trait for the week of December 2nd was "Taking Turns." Lynx Star Award winners were: Crystal Cantu, Hector Juarez, Macy Walker, Derek Holloway, Peyton Garnett, Bryan Campos, Reyna Rey, Jael Caro, Briana Ochoa, Logan Sowder Luke VanDyke, Daniela Enriquez, Christian Macias, Josh Fuoss, Laura Anima, J.D. Reed, Paola Prieto, Vanessa Vela, Maggie Pipkin, Seth Carson, Finley Garnett, and Erynn Saenz.

The character trait for the week of December 9th was "Sharing." Lynx Star Award winners were: Kylee Porter, Richard Jarvis, Yesenia Davila, Savanna Salazar, Cooper DeArmond, Emilee Key, Ever Briseno, Samantha Puente, Isaiah Navarette, Alexis Alvarez, Cassidy Fox, Cristal Pena, Rosario Flores, Katie Miesner, Allison Brown, Susy flores, Rene Soto, Wesley Trueax, Haylee Miesner, Paloma Mendez, Eric Vela, and Adrianna Correlejo.

Thank you

Thank you Spearman for making me feel like coming home. Thanks for the prayers, food, company and most of all love. Thanks to my favorite red-head for waiting 32 years and #10.

Merry Christmas to all,
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Pamela Schnell

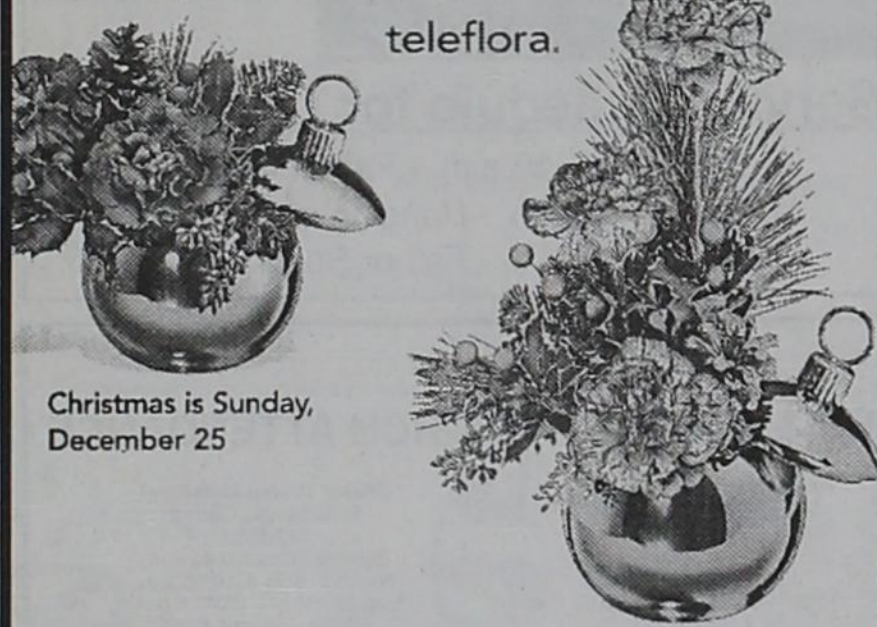
Texas crop and weather report

The following specific livestock, crop and weather conditions were reported by Panhandle Extension directors: Soil moisture is very short to short. Dry conditions continued with extremely low temperatures. A cold front brought temperatures below 0 F with no precipitation. Cotton harvest made good progress; it was 95 percent complete. Rangeland conditions were rated very poor to fair. Risk of fire was very high. Cattle were in fair to good condition; supplemental feeding continued.

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**Odom's Celebrate 60th
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They have lived in Gruver their entire married lives, and are members of the First Baptist Church.

Mr. Odom is a retired farmer, who enjoys collecting cars, tractors, and trains. Both he and his wife enjoy their RV and the people they meet while traveling.

Children of the couple and their spouses are Darlene and Mack Hoel of Gruver, Kathy and Carl L. Odom of Cleburne, and Caroline and George B. Odom of Dalhart.

Grandchildren of the couple include Brian Hoel, Matthew Hoel and wife Holly, Christopher Odom, Joseph Odom, Kenton Odom and wife Jodi, Grant Odom, Jill Weller and husband Ryan, and Dan Odom.

The couple have three great grandchildren, Lindsey Jordan Hudson, Rileigh Janet Weller, and Parker Hanson Hoel.

Words from Faith & Grace

by Cecil R. Biggers, Lutheran Lay Minister

We waited in Hope, in Peace, in Love, in Joy and now it is CHRISTMAS!

We study Isaiah 52:7-10, Psalm 98, Hebrews 1:1-12, and John 1:1-14. The Prophet Isaiah proclaims, "How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of the messenger who announces peace, who brings good news, who announces salvation, who says to Zion, 'Your God Reigns!'"

The Psalmist sings, "O sing to the Lord a new song, for he has done marvelous things. His right hand and holy arm have gotten him victory...make a joyful noise unto the Lord...He will judge the world with righteousness, and the peoples with equity."

The writer of Hebrews tells us of the nature of this Christ, "Long ago God spoke to our ancestors in many and various ways by the prophets, but in these last days he has spoken to us by a Son, whom he appointed heir of all things, through whom he also created the worlds. He is the reflection of God's glory and the exact imprint of God's very being, and he sustains all things by his powerful word. When he made purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high". Truly we may sing, "Joy to the World Our Savior Reigns".

Our tradition says that the Apostle John as he approached his 100th year on this earth at the request of his bishops sat down in council after they had all prayed for three days and with John the Elder holding the pen, the Apostle John attempted to define Christ for the young faith community, Greek and Gentile.

The Apostle John said, "In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things came into being through him, and without him not one thing came into being. What has come into being in him was life, and the life was the light of all people". Dear Christian, the Word of God has power, has life, has being, the Word is God.

Why is this so important to us? The Apostle John explained, "But to all who received him, who believed his name, he gave power to become the children of God, who were born, not of blood or of the will of the flesh, or of the will of man, but of God. And the Word became flesh and lived among us, and we have seen his glory, the glory of a father's only son, full of grace and truth".

Do you understand? By the birth of this Holy Child, by our faith in Him, the Holy Spirit has allowed us who were born of flesh to be born of the Holy Spirit to be the Children of God! Truly we may sing, "Joyful, Joyful We Adore You!"

As we now await again in Hope, in Peace, in Love, in Joy, may the Holy Spirit awaken in you the realization of who you really are in Christ Jesus. Maranatha. Even so Come Lord Jesus!

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The winners of the Spearman High School Red Ribbon Week Poetry Contest were: (Front, L-R) Haley Tindell - 1st, Kylee Howard - 2nd, Jessica Riley - 3rd; (Back, L-R) Honorable Mention - Courtney Worley, Sharon Haney, Lance Huddleston and Sabrina Cantu.



The Class of 2006 recently attended College Day in Dumas where they were able to visit with between 40-50 different universities, colleges, technical schools, and military branches. Jarick Howard signs up to receive information from a college.

Hand completes basic training

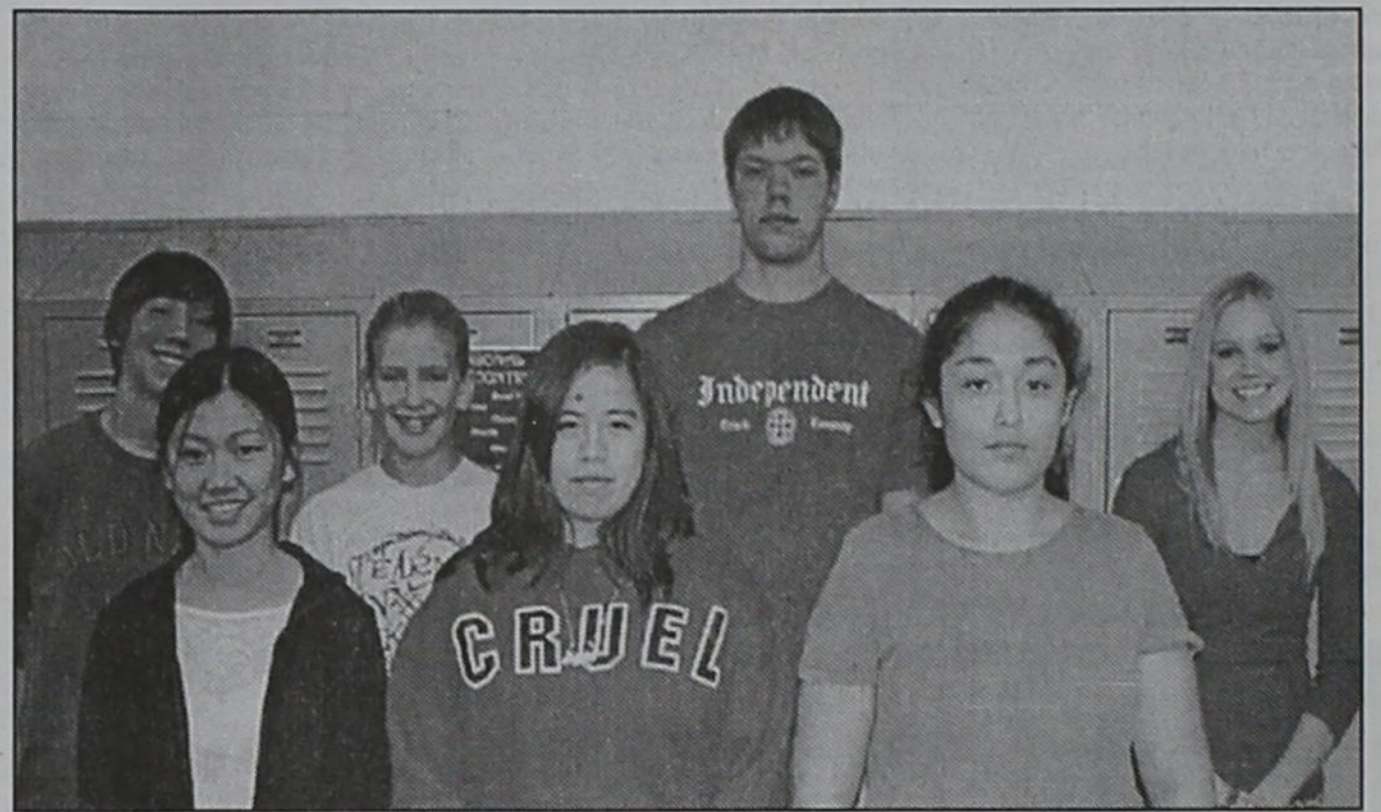
Air Force Airman 1st Class Tanner W. Hand has graduated from basic military training at Lackland Air Force Base, San Antonio, Texas.

During the six weeks of training, the airman studied the Air Force mission, organization, and military customs and courtesies; performed drill and ceremony marches, and received physical training, rifle marksmanship, field training exercises, and special training in human relations.

In addition, airmen who complete basic training earn credits toward an associate degree through the Community College of the Air Force.

He is the son of Jeff Hand of N.E. Fourth St., Dumas, Texas, and grandson of Bill Hand of Spearman, Texas.

The airman is a 2004 graduate of Spearman High School.



Winners in the Spearman High School Red Ribbon Week Bookmark contest were: (Front, L-R) 1st - Si Li Tang, 3rd - Karla Baca, 2nd - Sabrina Cantu; (Back, L-R) Honorable Mention - Ryan Ramon, Destiny Fisher, Lance Huddleston, and Cara Gwin. The bookmark theme was "Winners Don't Do Drugs." All bookmarks turned in were given to Gus Birdwell Elementary library to be used by the elementary students.

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Manor Matters

by Merry Sparks

I was trying to figure out when I left off with the last news and can't so I am just starting over! Many thanks go out to the Churches of our community for bringing services to the Manor. The First Christian Church of Gruver, Union Church of Spearman, Church of Christ of Gruver and Flavil Ayers provided services through November.

We had special entertainment on the 15th and 24th provided by Eugene Haith from North Carolina. He had come to town to visit a new grandchild and offered to entertain for us while here. He is a wonderful singer, plays the guitar and harmonica, and is just a great entertainer! Thank you to him and his family for sharing him!

Steve Mathews spent the afternoon with us on the 18th playing his keyboard as we and the Residents enjoyed his music.

Thank you, Steve! I don't know if I can find enough thank you's for the auxiliary! They bring pies, cakes, and cookies and are on board to help us all of the time from birthday parties to bingo and everything else in between!

We have had all of our usual programs such as the news and exercise on top of all of the extra activity involved with Thanksgiving and now the preparations for Christmas.

The Christmas party is on the 16th and the Manor is filled with excitement! The kindergarten children came to visit before Thanksgiving. That is always a fun time-just watching the children is

great fun! They sang and watched a movie with the Residents before having a snack and going back to school.

On the 23rd, several young ladies brought their babies up to visit the Residents. We never get enough of playing with babies around here.

We also had a bazaar on the 29th of November. The Residents had a great time shopping before it was opened up for any one else.

What a variety we had! We had everything from high chairs to nice desks and about a zillion knick knacks that the Residents had painted in ceramic class or that had been donated. What great fun!

We have had a great time also with the two topiaries that were raffled off for the Empty Stocking Fund. Many helpers from Gruver and Spearman worked on this project and it was a great success. Thank you to one and all for your support of the Empty Stocking Fund.

Reba Hunter of Gruver won the topiaries. Many thanks go out to those that provided the topiaries too! You know who you are and we appreciate you greatly!

We had a fun crazy bunk-o game with wrapped packages. That put a new spin on the game to not see what you were getting. The Residents had a lot of fun and then were surprised when they opened their packages. I will confess that there were a few booby prizes mixed in there! That just made it

more fun.

On Dec. 5th the Hospice Volunteers provided a special program and refreshments before the lighting of the tree for the Hospice Lights of Love. The Residents enjoyed the program as well as being a part of the community in the lighting of the tree.

After a lively exercise session in the morning, I.W. Ayers brought home made films to show the Residents that date back as far as the 40's. Part of the films were on butchering hogs. Boy-that brings back memories! Thank you I. W. and Maylynn!

Wednesday morning we had bible study and music. After lunch we worked on craft projects. (Many things got rearranged due to the fact that staff is furiously trying to wrap gifts and decorate Resident doors and the Manor for the Christmas season.

This place is surely astir and you should just see the Residents opening the door to peek in to see what they can see. The anticipation is just almost more than they can bear. Of course it does help that all the staff is excited. The music is playing all over the place and Santa's elves are around every corner. Families are in and out and the community is in and out and it is a wonderful time of year.

The wonderful, faithful auxiliary has been here for bingo every time that we have played on Thursdays as well as helping serve and filling in all around the edges.

The Women's Division of the Chamber of Commerce hosted Monday night bingo all through November and the Methodist Church of Spearman is hosting Monday night bingo in December. Thank you to one and all!

There is no way for me to remember all of the special kindnesses that this community shows to the Residents of the Manor! They play music, help with special activities, trips, manicures, parties, and almost everything that we do here. I want to thank everyone!

Basketball Hoopla

Spearman Lynxette Basketball Spearman 43 vs. Floydada 30
L. Short, 9; J. Short, 5; Vanderburg, 2; Rex, 7; Flowers, 9; Schneider, 7; Hart, 4. *Coach's Comments: We had a good run to start the 2nd half.. proved to be the difference.*

Spearman JV Girls Basketball Spearman 56 vs. Gruver 27
Reed, 4; Lang, 6; Pittman, 7; Bradley, 3; Kern, 10; Cazares, 2; Shields, 4; Avila, 12; Hart, 4

Smith, 4. *Coach's Comments: Good game. We need to block out and rebound a little better.*

Spearman 61 vs Borger 59
Reed, 7; Lang, 18; Bradley, 4; Kern, 13; Cazares, 2; Shields, 8; Avila, 2; Hart, 3; Smith, 4. *Coach's Comments: This concluded the JV girls tournament play for the year. We begin a tough district schedule on Tuesday.*

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Gruver 5th grade launches rockets

by Roy Mayhew

Every year in late October the skies over Gruver are dotted with colorful rockets racing skyward.

Roy Mayhew's 5th grade science students have been involved in a model rocket program for the past 20 years. This year was no different, on October 27th at 10:30 a.m. the first countdown began. A total of 32 rockets were successfully launched and recovered.

The launch is a culmination of a great deal of study and work. Students earn the right to launch their rockets. A study is done of Newton's laws of motion, aerodynamics, and safety. Each student must pass a written exam on model rocket safety.

The rockets are built piece by piece from a kit, painted, parachutes loaded, engines installed, and then the best part, watching it fly into the crisp blue October sky. It is a thrill the students never forget.

So, if you are near Gruver in late October next year, don't be surprised if you see a rocket streaking upward or drifting slowly back to earth.



Rockets Over Gruver



Spearman Academic All-State Cross Country Team Members

Spearman Lynxette Cross Country Coach Kyle Short reported today that the Texas Girls Coach Association had announced its Academic All-State Team for cross country. Making that team from Spearman is Tabatha Shields. This honor is for senior cross country runners and is based on Grade Point Average and class rank.

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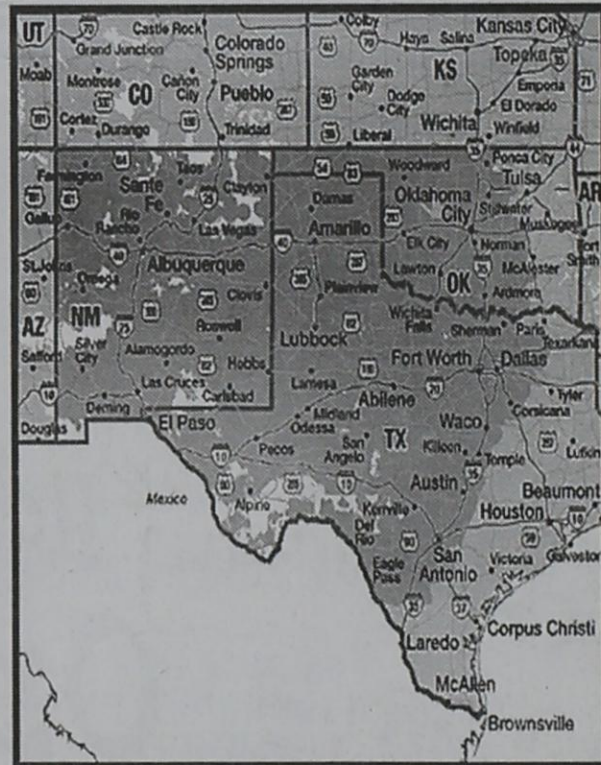
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by Dorothy Hudson

Out At The Lake

Lake Level--December 12, 2005--24.30 feet (-0.14)

Jim has to take the lake level now rather than read it electronically. This morning he took it over a two or three inch thickness of ice. The Lake did not freeze over completely with the subzero weather. The geese and ducks out in the center kept their area open.

More geese have arrived, and some of them are the lovely snow geese. Jim still has not seen more than the 3 eagles. Two of them are mature and the third is beginning to get its white head. Since the Lake

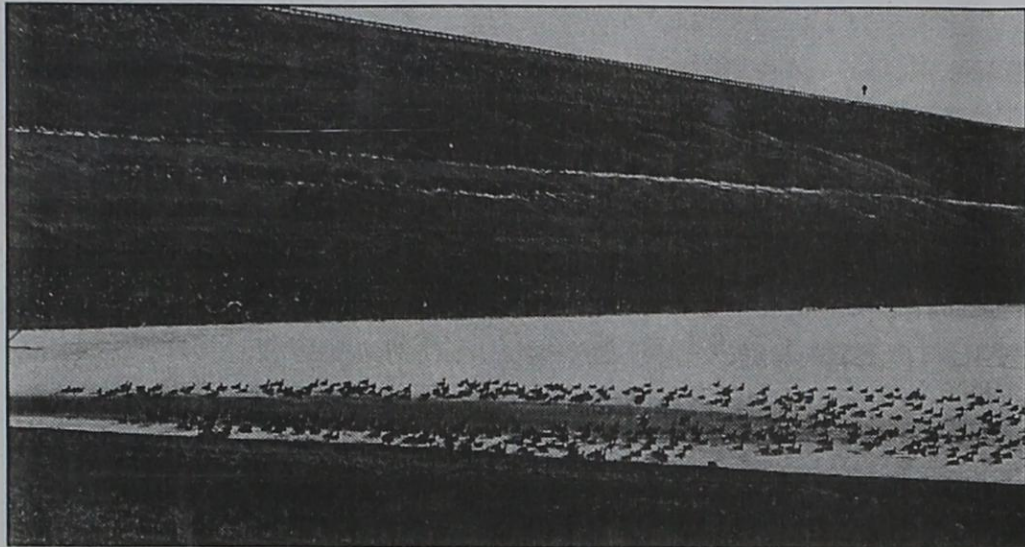
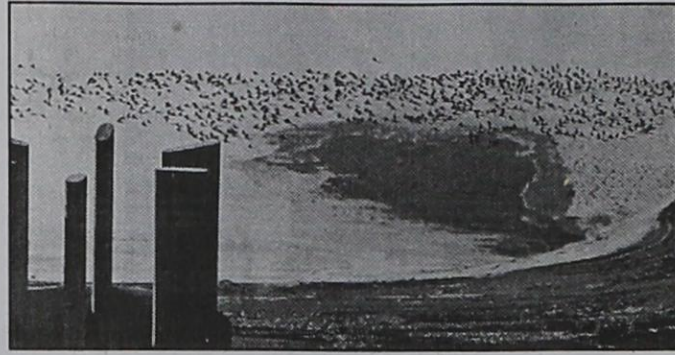
has frozen, the eagles are probably eating goose and duck dinners instead of the usual fish.

There were 2 campers behind the dam. Again they may have been hunters, but Jim said he didn't have a chance to visit with them.

Our daughter Nancy has a bird watching friend that plans to visit. She would like a guarantee that she could see a roadrunner to add to her life list. I haven't been sure that our roadrunners spent the winter here, but Jim said they did, and he was seeing some on both sides of the Lake. He saw two near the office last week. I just learned

today that these birds raise their crest when they are alarmed or curious.

One of my favorite of the winter birds has been the Mountain Bluebirds, but last year very few came. This year Jim said he is seeing Eastern Bluebirds close to the office and his home. Remember they have the brick-red throat and breast that shades into white on the lower parts. Their blue feathers don't seem as blue as those of the mountain bluebird, which is blue all over. The Eastern Bluebird is a favorite, too, as New York and Missouri have both made it their state bird. The Mountain Bluebird with its turquoise blue above and slightly lighter blue below is the state bird of Nevada and Idaho.



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Agenda:

1. Current Response from First Meeting
2. Financial Outlook - pros and cons by local bankers
3. Presentation of Ginning Details (by Larry Nelson, Windstar Gins)
 - Proposed business structure of new gin
 - Cost of building a gin
 - Profitability projections
 - Our view of the future of this venture
4. Question and Answer Session

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Pampa artist has lifelong passion for art, painting

by Aaron Pepper, staff intern at the Pampa News

A childhood interest, something to study, a way to give to those less fortunate. Art has been a lifelong passion for Pampa resident Larry Love.

"I've drawn since I was a kid," Love said. "I've always loved art."

Love really got his start in the early 1990s when he took art classes at Clarendon College and Frank Phillips College. However, inspiration was something he had to find himself.

"I am a realism artist," Love said, "and I specialize in portraits, so I try to be as realistic as I can."

He began entering his work in competition only in the last few years. Though he took second place at the "Best of the Southwest" competition in 1994, he did not enter another piece until his more recent works drawn in pencil. He took top honors at "Best of the Southwest" in 2004 and second place this year.

"It's a way to express myself," Love said. "Besides, we all love a little recognition."

However, Love has found ways to use his gift beyond competition.

"I donate a portrait for an auction at work to raise money to buy needy families Christmas gifts," Love said.

Indeed, his job at Duke Energy has provided him many opportunities to use his talent.

"Most of my co-workers know about my art," he said. "Several of them have hired me for portraits."

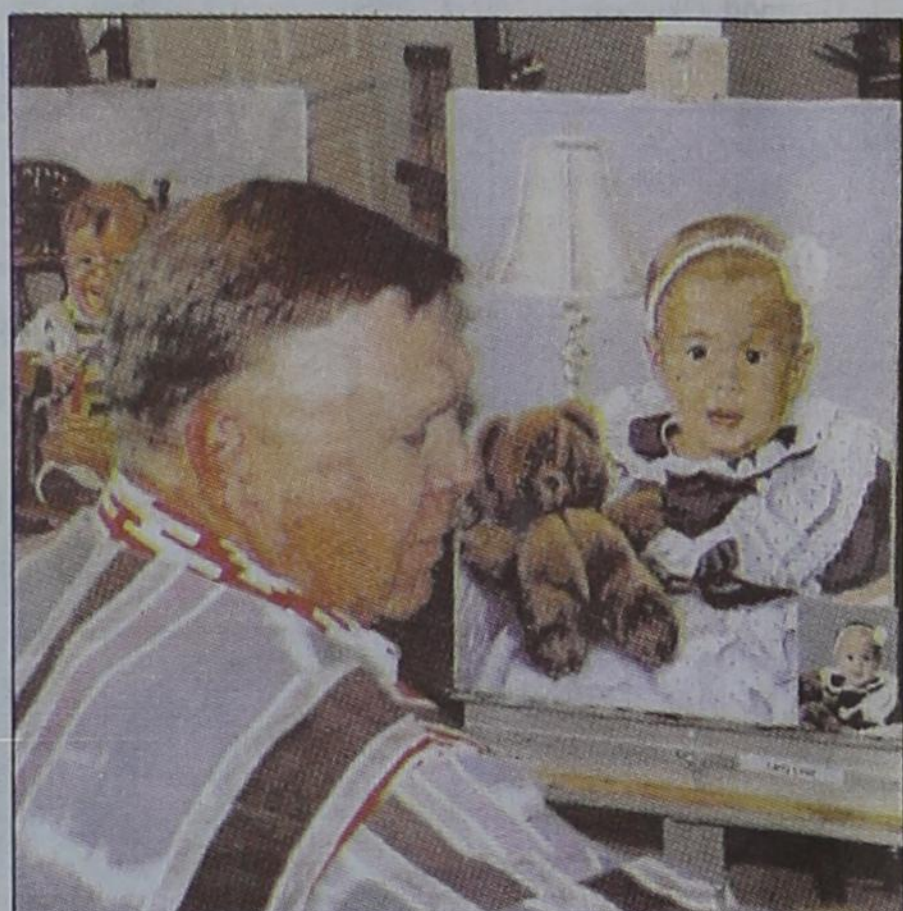
Love, who is the chairman of the photography committee for the Pampa Fine Arts Association, said he enjoys seeing people go out to see what has been done by great local artists.

"Going to exhibits can broaden their horizons," he said. "They can really appreciate the hard work that goes into the art."

Love himself often finds time to take in the works of his fellow artists.

"I could spend all day marveling at what people can do with paint and a little brush," he said.

Larry is the son of Lilly Love of Spearman, and the late Aaron Love. He does pencil portraits, as well as paintings. His sisters, Shirley, of Borger, and Donna Farris of Spearman, do pencil portraits as well.



Pampa artist Larry Love works on portraits of Roy John and Rosilyn Bulls of Spearman. They are the children of Sarah Avila Bulls.



Claude and Jo Nell Sheets returned recently from a two-week trip to South Africa, Namibia, Zambia and Botswana. Africa is a land of many contrasts, from desert to tropical, rich and poor. They enjoyed several safaris, but only used a camera. They saw many elephants, zebras, hippo, giraffes, lions, as well as many of the antelope family such as kudus, impala, oryx, etc. There were many species of birds, also in the wild. They visited Johanesburg, Capetown and several other very modern, beautiful cities. They were in native villages and visited one school of 1040 students, which had 400 children orphaned by AIDS. They saw Victoria Falls, took a sight-seeing tour down the Zambie River, climbed 700-foot sand dunes (some were 1000-feet) and, of course, shopped.

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