Gorman Progress

Gorman, Eastland County, Texas 76454

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AUGUST 1, 1996

Do You Know Any Of These Students and Faculty??

NUMBER TWENTY-EIGHT

If you recognize any of these students, please invite them to be back in Gorman for the Annual Homecoming which is only a few months away.







VACATION
BIBLE
SCHOOL
GORMAN
CHURCH OF
CHRIST
AUGUST 4 - 10
SUNDAY
10 A.M.
MON. - THURS.
9 TO 11 A.M.

NEW STUDENT REGISTRATION

Gorman Schools will hold Registration for All New Students - 7th through 12th Grades, will be held Monday, August 12th starting at 9:00 a.m.

BENEFIT SALE TO BUILD CHURCH

A Benefit Sale is being planned to secure funds to build a new Church for the Bride of Christ Congregation in Gorman. Money is being donated and items of all kinds are being solicited for the sale. Also Baked Goods are needed. The exact date will be announced at a later date. You may call 817-734-2384 or Mary at 817-893-2672.

Registration For Elementary Set August 7

All elementary students new to the district are to register from 9 until 3:00 any work day starting August 7, 1996.

Parents will need to bring social security cards, birth certificates and shot records.

Students who are four years old before September 1 may enroll for prekindergarten classes. Students who are five before September 1 may enroll for kindergarten.

Bike Tour Rest Stop Volunteers Needed

HELP!!! The De Leon Peach and Melon Festival committee has asked us to host two rest stops this year during the annual Melon Patch Bike Tour Aug. 10th. We are in need of some good ole home made goodies (cookies or brownies), If you would like to help show all this people what fabulous cooks Gorman has please let me know.

One of the rest stops is to be located at Security State Bank and the other is to be at Birdsong Dryers. If you have never witnessed the excitement of a bike tour, I suggest you come down watch. . . or if you want to help at a rest area let us know.

Ina Scitern 734-2202 or 734-2720

NOTE OF THANKS

I want to thank those of you who sent cards or attended my 80th birthday celebration on July 8, 1996. Jettie Daniels

NOTE OF THANKS

I wish to thank everyone for helping me celebrate my 90th birthday. The phone calls, beautiful flowers, cards, prayers and gifts I will always treas-

It really made my day!

Thanks Velma Bennett.

CARD OF THANKS

one who brought food, sent cards and well wishes, flowers and other acts of kindness while I was in the hospital and have been recooping at home.

Your throughtfulness is greatly appreciated.

Eula Miears.

Rex Kinser.

WEEKEND VISITORS

Bobbie Payton of Fort Worth and Jay Payton of Dallas, Spent the weekend with Johnnie and Mildred Landreth. They all attended the Sipe Spring Homecoming Saturday night and Sunday.

CARD OF THANKS

A special thanks for all the prayers cards, flowers and kind deeds everyone has shown during my illness.

It's A Girl

Earl and Debby Braddock of San Angelo are happy to announce the birth of their daughter, Haegen La Shell Braddock, who was born on Monday, July 22, 1996 at 11:59 A.M. in the Shannon Hospital in San Angleo. She weighed 6 lbs. and 9 1/2 ouces and was 19 3/4 inches long.

Haegen La Shell was welcomed home by her proud brother, Ashton. Jerry and Lavell Hallmark of San Angelo are the maternal grandor.

Jerry and Lavell Hallmark of San Angelo are the maternal grandparents. Connie Hallmark of Eastland is the great grandmother. Verna Little of Kokomo is the great aunt.

Marilyn Braddock of San Angleo is the paternal grandmother.

Attention Gorman Atheletes

Any boy or girl planning to be in athletics for hte 96-97 school year can receive a free physical on August 1st at the Gorman Clinic beginning at 1:00 P.M.

CARD OF THANKS

Words cannot express our heartfelt gratitude and appreciation for all of the acts of kindness extended to us during my illness.

We want to say a special thanks for the prayers, cards, phone calls, food and all the help with our crop.

Friends are gifts from God. God bless each of you.

Charles and Carolyn Little.

News

Ralph and Margie Hudson have returned from a vacation and tour in Alaska.

While in Alaska they were the house guest of Archie Boyles of Eagle River a friend and neighbor when Ralph was stationed at Ft. Richardson.

They had not been back to Alaska since they left in 1967 and noted many changes had taken place.

Points of interest were; Ft. Richardson, Elmendorf AFB, Big Lake, Wasilla, Palmer, Anchorage, Seward, Portage Glacier Soldatna, Kenai, Homer and Eagle River where they lived during the seven years they were there.

Two-A-Days

The Gorman Panthers will begin Two-A-Day practices on August 7th beginning at 8:00 a.m. There will be two workouts per day starting at 8:00 A.M. and 7:00 p.m. Any new students in the program needs to see Coach Curlee at the fieldhouse prior to the first practice or call 734-2264 or 734-2470.

Jack Courtney Services Held

Jack Frank Courtney, 75, a native of Gorman, Texas, and resident of Houma, died at 9:02 a.m. Monday, Feb. 19, 1996.

Funeral services were at 2 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 21, at the funeral home.

He is survived by his wife, Jewell Cox Courtney of Houma; one son, James Larry Courtney of Birminghan, Ala; two daughter, Lydia Courtney of Houma and Chyrel Frens of Baton Rouge; seven grandchildren; and one great-grandchild.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Balvin Whitfield and Charlsie Monroe Courtney; one daughter, Ann Marrevenie Courtney; two brothers, Charles and Garnette Courtney; and two sisters, Carnie Holt and Fiern Watson.

He was employed with Two R. Drilling, was the owner of JC Rentals and was a member of Mulberry Baptist Church.

ITEMS OF INTEREST

SENIOR CLASS GARAGE SALE — West Roberts at the Brad Campbell home on August 9th from 8:00 a.m. til 2:00 p.m.

MUSICAL - There will be a Musical at Sipe Springs Community Center, Saturday, August 3rd at about 6:30 p.m. Everyone is urged attend, especially all musicians.

DUSTER EX-STUDENTS ASSOCIATION - will meet in De Leon on August 10th at 5:00 p.m. at the Heritage Hall, First United Methodist Church.

REUNION - A 20 year reunion is being planned for the Classes of 1977 - 1982, in celebration of the 1976 State Football Championship. If you would like to help plan this reunion or if you have addresses that would help notify members of these classes, please contact - Deliah Eaves Lewis, Rt. 1 Box 53, Ennis, Texas 75119 or 214-875-4285.

A MEDICAL REPRESENTATIVE will be at Security State Bank - 115 S. Fisher - Gorman, Tx On Friday, August 2nd from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. A representative will be available to answer any questions and concerns you have about Medicare. CMS Health Care will be present to take Blood Pressure from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

SUMMER READING PROGRAM

HEY KIDS! Come join our Summer Reading Program. We will meet on Tuesday morning from 10:30 to 11:30 at the Charlie Garrett Memorial Library. The program will run June thru July. All ages are invited to join us for a story, activity, snack and reading contest. For more information call Dawn Payne at 734-2435.

Charlie Garrett Memorial Library - Is Open Monday - Wednesday - Thursday and Friday from 3 - 5 p.m. and Tuesdays from 3 to 5:30 p.m. STORYTIME is on Tuesdays at 10:30 a.m. for all Preschoolers.

Gorman Oaklawn Cemetery Association is accepting donations for the Care of the Cemetery. If you would like to make a donation in memory of or In Honor of someone, please send to Box 501, Gorman, or Citizens State Bank, Gorman, Texas 76454.

Gorman Masonic Lodge No. 716 A.F. & A.M. Regular stated meetings are 2nd Tuesday of each month at 7:30 p.m. Members are urged to attend. Visitors are always welcome. Howard Hagood, Worshipful Master — Roscoe Reeves, Secretary.

Gorman Primitive Baptist Church has Services Every Sundays. Services begin at 10:30 a.m. Elder Don Washek, Pastor - 1st and 3rd Sundays; Elder Dale Majors - 2nd Sunday - Everyone Welcome To Attend.

SANDRA CAGLE WILL BE IN GORMAN THE THIRD WEDNESDAY OF EACH MONTH AT THE CITY OFFICE TO RENEW AUTO LICENSE PLATES. HER NEXT VISIT WILL BE AUGUST 21ST FROM $9\cdot12$ NOON.

The Order of the Eastern Star holds its regular stated meetings on the first Monday of each month at 7:30 p.m. - Gene Grisham, Worthy Matron - 893-6777 and John Grisham, Worthy Patron 893-6777.

SUMMER BAND PRACTICE — AUGUST 7th For Grades 8 & 9 - From 10:30 to 12 Noon At Gorman Band Hall

ALL BAND MEMBERS
SUMMER BAND PRACTICE
ON AUGUST 12TH
10:30 TO 12 NOON

Officers Installed 73rd Masonic District July 2nd

July 2nd was a great day for the 73rd Masonic District when they merged in Gorman for a great meal and joint installation of their officers. R.W. James Ward, Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Texas was the installing officer and Pat Moseley was the installing Marshall. The following were installed in their offices: Breckenridge Lodge #492; W.M. James Sherrin, S.W. Shawn Johnson, J.W. Otto Hall, Treasurer Tom Stanford, Secretary Herman Perry Chaplin Troy Allen, Deacons Loy Knaust, Shorty Allison, Stewards James Knight, Carter Fore, Tiler Truman Lee. Rising Star Lodge #688, W.M. Perry Curtis, S.W. Luther Mauldin, J.W. Clinton Wilson, Treasurer Vern Coleman, Secretary Gene Moore, Eastland Lodge #467, W.M. Bill Batts, S.W. Jerry Mathews, J.W. Jamie Sipe, Treasurer Joe Housson, Secretary Dale Murdock, Chaplin Robert Wood, Deacons Roy Petty, Carlton Edwards, Stewards Ron Bailey, Cone Rice, Marshall Eddie Grisham, Tiler John Cave.

Gorman Lodge #716, W.M. Howard Hagood, S.W. Gerald Battenfield, J.W. Gerald Ragland, Treasurer Bill Hagood, Secretary Roscoe Reeves, Chaplin Bill Clark, Deacons Bob Wilk-

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CARBON NEWS

Those going to Heritage Manor in Gorman for church services Sunday afternoon from the Baptist Church were Bro. Jim and Ann Poe, C.O. Sandlin, Ruth Knowles, Elizabeth Sandlin, Billie Stacy, Dorothy Light, R Lee McDaniel, Cathy Sandlin and Euell and Jenoise

We are so thankful for the rain that came Friday night and Saturday morn-

erson, Kenneth Good, Stewards Elwood Ragland, Leroy Lipson, Tiler Leroy Lipson. Carbon Lodge #786, W.M. Erwin Hummel, S.W. Max Akins, J.W. F.W. Tucker, Treasurer Collin Campbell, Secretary Don Nicholas, Chaplin Bill Carlton, Deacons Calvin Millican, Billy Carlton, Stewards Rudy Pack, Travis Bond, Tiler T.G. Jackson. Ranger Lodge #738, W.M. Stan Harper, S.W. John T. Casey, J.W. Larry Hill, Treasurer Bobby Davis, Secretary Mike Noth, Chaplin Ronnie Guess, Deacon Bill Guess, Stewards Tom Peeples Bobby Adams, Tiler Ray Smoot. After the Installation, Sid Bratton of Millsap Lodge #1265 gave the Bible Presentation. ZJ's restaurant in Gorman catered the meal.

ing. Most everyone I talked to got an inch and one half. It was great.

C.O. Sandlin and his mother Elizabeth made a business trip to Abilene last week.

Ima Brown and Ava Rodgers visited with Billie Stacy Friday afternoon. Ava is feeling much better now, I'm glad to report.

Collin and Hazel Campbell attended the birthday celebration Sunday evening in Coleman for their great granddaughter Jorie Nanny. She was 3 years

Visited last week Collin and Hazel Campbell in Granbury with a cousin Thelma Wilkerson, and with a brotherin-law Aubrey Wilson.

Recent guests of Euell and Jenoise Allison were Judy (Greenwood) Young of San Angelo, Nora (Young) Harper of Waxahachie, Alvie Allison of Arlington, Wynelle Brown of Carbon and the Shane Lowrie's of Rt. 3 Gorman.

R. Lee McDaniel, Wynelle Brown and Jenoise Allison attended the Jim and Susie Lavell Family Reunion in Proctor Saturday.

SSAsking Workers To Update **Earnings Estimates**

Nearly one million people who work, collect SS benefits, and earn over the annual exempt amount will get a notice from Social Security sometime in August. The notice will ask them to update their estimated earnings. It will also ask them for an estimate of their earnings for 1997. Social Security needs this information to hellp identify underpayments and to prevent overpayments.

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ZELDA JORDAN -- PHONE 639-2289

We are thankful for the rain shower that we got during the weekend, but we sure didn't get anything like the seven inches reported at Ranger. The reports around here was around two to three tenths of an inch.

Jimmy Little directed the music at the Kokomo Baptist Church on Sunday morning, with Wynelle Brown at the piano and Glynda Bond at the organ. Jimmy and Wynelle rendered the special music. Visitors were Glenda Priest and B.J. Miles of Abilene, Cindy, Kyle and Kayla Jordan of Lubbock, Nanetta Thompson of Plainview, Jamie and Ann Clearman of Ovalo, Kelvin, Kristi, Kaylee and Kade Whitehurst of Tuscola and Glenn Burgess.

"Happy Birthday" was sung to Anna Laura Clearman who's birthday was Sunday and in honor of Claude Fuller and J.W. Davis who had birthdays last week, even tho they weren't in the service Sunday, and to two visitors, Kayla Jordan and B.J. Miles.

Jewel Huddleston of Comanche visited with her sister, Hope Joiner on Friday. Lucille Joiner of Stephenville and Howard Joiner of Arlington visited with Mrs. Joiner on Saturday.

Nelda, Cody and Jarad Fails of Arlington visited with her parents, Jimmy and Verna Little a few days last week, and the boys remained for a few more days this week. Verna, Nelda, Cody, and Jarad went to San Angelo. On Thursday for a visit with Jerry and Lavell Hallmark, Debby and Earl Braddock and Ashton, and the new baby daughter, Haegen La Shell, Greg

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JAMES LITTLE, RAY NEAL LITTLE AND JILL LITTLE CELEBRATE **BIRTHDAYS**

Jimmy and Verna Little honored their sons, Ray Neal, and James and a daughter-in-law, Jill with a birthday dinner in their home on Saturday night, July 27. James's birthday was July 20, Ray Neal's July 27 and Jill's Aug. 3. Those enjoying the birthday celebration were Ray Neal, Melissa and Emily Little of Eastland, James, Jill, Ashley and Breckley of Lake Leon, and Nelda, Cody and Jarad Fails of Arlington.

Cloma and L.D. Pyeatt of Pasadena, Sue Bright of Cypress, Bro. Clarence and Leona Wilson of Stephenville, Troy Scitern, Ruth Bryant, Hope Joiner, Cindy, Kyle and Kayla Jordan of Lubbock and Zelda Jordan visited with Nancy Hendricks.

Nancy Hendricks was among those attending the birthday celebration for Velma Bennett in Gorman on Sunday.

ANNA LAURA CLEARMAN HONORED ON BIRTHDAY Nanetta Thompson of Plainview

spent the week with her mother, Mrs. J.C. (Anna Laura) Clearman and other children and grandchildren coming on Sunday for her birthday celebration were Jamie and Ann Clearman of Ovalo, Kristi, Kelvin, Kaylee and Kade Whitehurst of Tuscola, and Kyla, Wayne, Caleb and Kaci McEntire of Arlington.

> KAYLA JORDAN, WADE DANIELL AND B. J. MILES CELEBRATE BIRTHDAYS

Their was a birthday celebration in the home of Zelda Jordan on Saturday, July 27 for Kayla Jordan, who was 6 on July 17; Wade Daniell who's birthday was July 29 and B.J. Miles who was 8 on July 31.

Sheri Daniell baked and decorated the beautiful birthday cake that was inscribed with the honorees names and "Happy Birthday". The cake was served with ice cream.

Those enjoying the party were Sheri and Wade Daniell of Abilene, Glenda Priest and B.J. Miles of Abilene, Cindy, Kyle and Kayla Jordan of Lubbock and Zelda Jordan.

Cindy, Kyle adn Kayla Jordan of Lubbock came on Thursday for a few days visit with Zelda Jordan; Glenda Priest and grandson, B.J. Miles visited from Friday night until Sunday and Sheri and Wade Daniell spent Friday night and Saturday with them.

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GORMAN-DELEON AREAS

Sipe Springs Saturday afternoon. A glance at my watch: 6:00 P.M. and so nice and cool, quite different to those 100' plus we had been sweltering under.

place. Those flashes of lightning were

seen across a heavy, dark cloud band

when I stepped out and headed toward

Traffic was light on Highway 36 due to the annual rodeo in Brownwood. All those cowboys on Highway 67 were going to that fiesta.

Raindrops began to dapple on my windshield. When I left the pavement and took to the lane leading to the tabernacle on the hill there was no dust, and more than one visitor was at Ted Barton's place.

those dedicated decendants of Sipe Springs Ol' Timers were already congregated under the tabernacle. One lady had her umbrella open to keep the crisp wind from chilling her back. It reminded me gain: anytime you leave home in Texas, take a coat, a fan and an umbrella, you may need them all, before you get back home.

Strolling around and making a head count, there were at least a hundred or more sharing memories and laughing about tales of the early days. It is more than worth the time and mileage to make this annual get-together.

Everything was super clean. The concete flooring and benches were washed down and wiped dry . . . grass had just been mowed, and Cemetery groups wree ready for visitors. A U.S. flag marked the grave of every veteran and a large one fluttered at the entrance near the gate.

Due to double-booking no singers or musicians shared the 1996 Homecoming. They were at Desdemona. So, nothing detracted from visiting. The children had a happy time jogging around outside of the tabernacle, to-



tally ignoring the gentle shower that was cooling the atmosphere, and making mud up to their ankles as they trotted around after one another.

I met visitors again this year and some were decendants of Dr. E.W. Duke (1872-1915) who delivered one of my sisters in 1914 at Shady Gove Farm, back when doctors made rural house calls.

When the evening sun reached the brink of the earth I started back to Comanche. Lightning continued to flash from the slow-moving thunder storm. Then a huge rainbow wnhanced the landscape to the southeast.

Sunday morning's time of departure was around 9:30 A.M. Again you can't top those early birds. They were already strolling the Cemetery grounds or were taking boxes of food to the five long tables on the east side of the tabernacle, getting ready for the noon

time lunch. It was enlightening when James Wyatt told the story of the beginning of the Cemetery upkeep. A group of men met in front of Doc Rhymes grocery store, some 50 years ago to express their concern over the condition of the Cemetery grounds. The last member of this group to pass away was A.B. (Duby) Jones, who was buried this year. A moment of silence was observed in remembrance of his fifty years of dedicated service on the Cemetery committee.

Bernard Stamey, current president, directed the business meeting. Hubert Merworth was elected by Acclamation to fill the office of Duby Jones.

Bill Owen, CPA, gave the financial report. A profit and loss statement was passed out to everyone. Credits were given to several local residents for their contribution in time and effort enhancing the grounds.

A row of corsages were presented by the president's granddaughter. Mae Leonard won two of them: one for having the most children (10) and for being the oldest mother present (age 93), she chose to share one of them with Erma Raye. Youngest mother was Lynette Shepherd of Caldwell. Mable Hansford of Fort Davis covered 450 miles of Sipe Springs to earn the corsage for having traveled the farthest.

Reverend Clyde Majors brought the Homecoming message, choosing Hebrews, 11th chapter.

A list of those deceased since last Homecoming were read. Those buried at Sipe Springs were: Clara Hansford, Mike Stokes, Jonell Leonard, Dick Humphries, Duby Jones, Lonnie

Crawford, Jr. and Blondie Raye. Those who were buries elsewhere were: Williford Millwee, Elder Summers Burrows, Lois Dishman, Billy Belk, Marie Hardin, Dave Miller, Jack Graham, Gene Rachels, IRene Ponds THE GORMAN PROGRESS Fisher, Elizabeth Sue Wilkerson, Walter Richburg, Molly Franklin, John Hugh Fister, and Winnie Mae Johnston.

After the invocation by James Wyatt everyone shared a typical Texas lunch. John and Irene McKeehan invited me to join them, and I did.

Vsiting and strolling the grounds of the Cemetery continued until 2:00 P.M. It is heart-warming to see the commu-

nity unity at Sipe Springs. Those who registered were: Betty Payne Thomas, Comanche; Buster and Norma Merworth, Gorman; Ramona and Doyle Adams, Eastland; Gayle Morrow, Amarillo; Manuel and Vivian Winfrey and Robert and Donna Edwards, all of Sundown; Robert Vernon, Sipe Springs; Bill and Dorothy Owen and Gayle Leonard, all of Brownwood; K.E. and Ruby Murdock, Rising Star; Bill and Marilyn (Jones) Thomson, Hobbs, New Mexico; Martha J. Whitlock, New Braunfels; Howard and Patsy Barton, Archer City Lewis and Barbara Barton, Knickerbocker; Bill and June Mills, Horse Shoe Bay; Others were: Bill, Jr. and Becky Mills, Coppell; Bill Wyatt, Waco; Willie Wyatt, De Leon; Charlotte Consancio, Neoma Braeutigam, La Moyne Housre, all of Comanche; Johnnie Ray and Mildred Landreth, Gorman; Bobbie and Jay Payton, Fort Worth; James New, Rising Star; Jo M. Bass, Lubbock; Norma R. Duke, Cisco; Arthur and Mabel Hansford, Doug Jones, Skipping and Sherry Morgan, Odessa; John and Marie Henley, Abilene; James and Bobbie Wyatt, Sidney; Dorothy Ogle Shirley, Cisco; Robert and Dorothy Whiteside; Jeannie, Dezni and Casey Huddleston, Katie Ruth Thorp., John and Dorothy Robertson, Mattie Esma Ray, Dix and Elaina Ray, Lynette, Ashley and Miranda Sheppard, Christine Whitlock Moore, Abilene; Carolyn Weeber, Mary Jane Sain, Jeffrey, Sherry and Jack Whiteside, Louise Perkins, Winnie Anderson, Rising Star; Jean Victoria, Catherine and Asa Whitman, San Antonio; Kenneth Foster, Austin; Bud and Jewel Stamey, Duncanville; Jean Whitmore, San Antonio; Gary Leonard, Odessa; Joyce Burk, Comanche; Leona New, Jim and Wynona Monsey, De De and Dion King and Brittany King, Wichita Falls; Jon Derek Brady, Kayla Surona, J.E. and Ruth Barton, Dublin; Mark, Trisha and Chasity Barton, San Angelo; Jennifer,

Walter and Abbie McKelvy, Dublin;

Leta, Jerry and Adam Daughtery, Cedar

Hill; David, Dee, John and Carrie

Stamey, Duncanville; Angie Van Hess, Dave Cockrell, Mary, Nan and Mike

Presley, Ruth Jones, Brownwood;

Sherry and Mike Starr, Arlington; John

and Irene McKeehan, Amy Presley

and Dan Hansen, Dallas.

DESDEMONA

"Clean Up" day will be on Thursday, August 8 at the Community Center in Desdemona for the Annual Homecoming on Saturday, August 10. Your help will be appreciated.

Bill and Tami Sanders and Robyn of Chicota, Vicki, Keitha and Derek Robinette of De Leon and Dorothy Roberts enjoyed dinner on Monday with Bernard and Ann Keith.

Bernard and Ann Keith was in Odessa on Wednesday to attend the funeral of Pennie Chew who is Ann's

Dorothy Jean (Salyer) Burnett of Prescott, Arizona passed away on July 8, 1996 and was buried in Washington State. She attended school in Desdemona and the oldest daughter of the late Wade and Ruby (Hughes) Salyer.

Lera Mae (Carr) Doggett, 84, of Greenbriar, Arkansas passed away. She attended school in Coymn and the daughter of the late Stant and Leona (Hooper) Carr. A sister of Wanda (Carr) Lemaster in De Leon. Our sympathy to these families.

AUGUST 1, 1996

Jr. and Lurline Echols of Azle visited the weekend with his mother, Benton Echols.

Diantha Dennis visited in Lubbock with her daughter, Larry and Angela Lambert who are parents of a new baby boy, Eric Bryce. Eric is welcomed at home by a big brother, Justin.

Ometa Clark spent a few days this past week in the Abilene Regional Hospital.

Recent visitors with O.C. and Marie Patty were their children - Tim and debbie (Patty) Martin and children Shiloh, Travis and Stewart of Tabernacle, New Jersey - Stacy and Sherry

Patty and children, Jonathan, Matthew, Ana and Kristin of Lubbock - Marty and Diane Patty and daughter, Sarah of Daphene, Alabama.

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Rusty and Carolyn (McKillip) Rogers sponsored a group from their Church of Christ to attend an area youth meeting in San Saba.

Floradell Clayton enjoyed a trip to Pagosa Springs, Colorado to visit her son, Lindley Clayton and family.

"Congratulations" to S.C. and Helen (Moon) Gregory in Grandbury who celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary recently with a trip to Las Vegas. Helen attended school in Desdemona and the daughter of the late Maudie (Henry) Moon. Helen was in Class of 1944.

Charles and Sara Williams of Grandbury visited on Sunday with W.T. and Evelyn Yardley, Leo and Eloise Williams and Ruth Daffron.

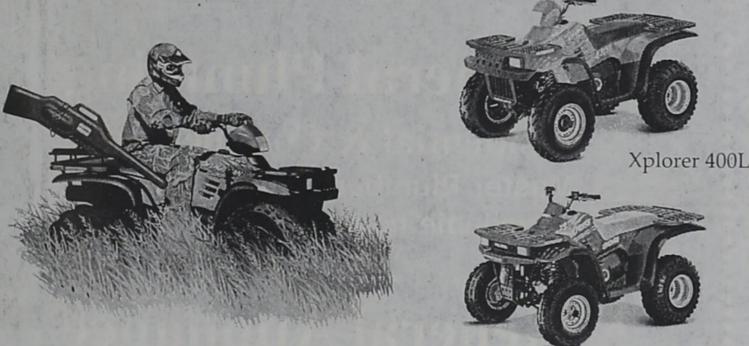
OFFICIAL NOTICE

Comanche County Electric Cooperative Association 1996 Annual Meeting August 16, 1996 Comanche High School Auditorium

PROGRAM

7:00 - 8:00 P.M. Registration - Refreshments Gift for Each Member Entertainment by The Branders (a local band) Call to Order Invocation Introduction of Directors Report of Officers Report on Quorum Reading of Notice, Proof of Publication Reading of Last Year's Minutes Election of Directors Managers Report Guest Speaker - Richard McCaskill, Executive Vice President & General Manager Brazos Electric Cooperative Report from Youth Tour Participants Kori Clark & Will Grimshaw Service Pin Awards Election Judges' Report Other Business Drawing for Attendance Prizes Adjourn

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82nd Annual - 1996 De Leon Peach and

Melon Festival



Monday, August 5th

De Leon, Texas

:00 P. M.Queen Candi	dates Tea, Given by De Leon Study Club
:00 P. M.	Judging of Little Miss De Leon, Festival Stage
:30 P. M.	Judging of Queen, CROWNING OF QUEEN, Festival Stage
	Tuesday, August 6th

10:00 A. M. Judging of 4-H Entries 11:00 A. M. Judging of booths in Exhibition Building 1:00 P. M. Juding of Melons, Peaches, Pears, Apples & Cantaloupes 8:00 P. M. AUCTION OF FRUITS, MELONS AND 4-H CAKES 9:00 P. M. Mike Edmonson & Elizabeth Allredge Show and Dance 10:30 P. M. Merchandise Drawing - Festival Stage

Wednesday, August 7th

STREETPARADE-Ledby Chairman BRAD SANDERS Peddle Pusher Tractor Pull JERRY CLOWER SHOW

Thursday, August 8th Tractor Pull

Merchandise Drawing, Festival Stage

GOSPEL SINGING PROGRAM - FESTIVAL STAGE Merchandise Drawing - Festival Stage

Friday, August 9th

Fiddlers Contest - City Hall Tractor Pull, Tractor Pull Arena, Festival Grounds LITTLE JOE AND LAFAMILIA SHOW / DANCE - ON SLAB Merchandise Drawing, Festival Stage

Dance Continues

Saturday, August 10th

Melon Patch Tour - Registration - Senior Citizen Complex "42" Domino Tournament - CITY HALL Golden Saturday -- Downtown -- 10:00 A.M. to 3:00 P.M. Ex-Students Annual Meeting, ELEMENTARY CAFETERIA Seed Spitting Contest, Main Street

MELON SLICING, MAIN STREET (FREE WATERMELON) Tractor Pull, Tractor Pull Arena, Festival Grounds Public Dance - Slab Area - Festival Grounds

Presentation of MISS DE LEON, Festival Stage Merchandise Drawing **Dance Continues**

DRAWING FOR GIVE-AWAY ITEMS - Winner Need Not Be Present

Dance Continues

81st Annual Peach & Melon Festival Aug. 5-10

De Leon will celebrate its 81th annual Peach and Melon Festival on August 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, and 10th. ONE FULL WEEK OF CELEBRATION AND

will select our new queen for 1996 and she is one of our local high school girls. She will be chosen on a point system by socring points on beauty, peronality, general appearance and poise. She is socred by three out-of town judges. She will have an afternoon tea, given by the De Leon Study club at which time each girl will meet and have interviews with the judges. Later, the same night eahc of the girls will appear on the open-air stage in a musical revue and then change into formal dresses. They will at that time have an interview with the Master of Ceremonies. At the close of this event, all scores are totaled to determine who the queen will be for 1996.

The Little Miss De Leon, five-year old local girls, are judged by the same group of judges. She just makes one appearance on stage and is announced at that time.

Miss De Leon, five-year old local girls are judged by the same gorup of judges. She just makes one appearance on stage and is announced at that time.

Miss De Leon contest is won by the _ of approximately 5,000. girl in the queen's contest that sells the most tickets for hte queen's drawing. The queen's drawing is for \$300.00 in merchandise from any De Leon merchant. Winner does not have to be prsent to win.

The Queen, Miss De Leon, and Little Miss De Leon are the official representaives for De Leon for one year. They will ride on a traveling float provided by the festival committee and will appear in all parades in the surrounding area.

Tuesday - Auction Night - Also, on Tuesday we will judge the display booths in our exhibit building. These are booths that are bought by business firms. The firms may decorate their own booths or assign a civic organization to decorate it for them. If a civic organization decorates the booth and wins first place the prize is a civic organization decorates the booth and wins first place the prize is \$37.50 and the firm donating the booth will be given a free booth space next year. All of these booths are judged with a scorecard. This free space for next year does create some interest.

Also, we have a group of booth spaces that are sold as ARTS/CRAFTS BOOTHS. We have been able to attract some very good artists. Of course these are business booths the owner is allowed to sell merchandise and that draws a good crowd adn is profitable for our vendors and the fes-

Tuesday morning starts with the accepting of melons, cantaloupes, peaches, and apples. These are entered by local farmers and judged for the auction held that night. The entries are in 1/2 bushel sizes and limited to one per family, otherwise would have too many to judge because of time. The watermelon entered for weight is weighed when accepted. The melons are not as large and heavy as they were at one time. This is due to the fact that our farmers grown melons that are suitable for shipping and they paint part of their crops for the fall market and ship most tonnage in September. Since our festival is in August, we miss this crop for our event.. The entries are judged at 1:00 p.m. by personnel form teh A & M Extension Service out of Stephenville.

Also, on Tuesday morning we receive all the 4-H entries for our 4-H contest. This is a county-wide contest and we work with the Extension AGent in the judging. There are four divisions: Food, Craft, Horticulture, and Photograph. Ribbons are awarded for winnes, Usually about 30-40 entries. The cakes entered in the contest are auctioned that night on the stage along with the fruits and melons. Some cakes will sell as high as \$190.00.

All melons, cantaloupes, peaches, pars and apples are auctioned Tuesday from the stage. These are bought by the local merchants and fertilizer/seed dealers. Some of the sale prices for the past years are: 5 cantaloupes sold for \$230. group of three melons sold for \$170.00; 1/2 bushel of peaches sold for \$120.00; 1/2 bushel of pears sold for \$110.00. This will give you an idea how the auction helps our local farmers.

Wednesday- is parade day . . Our parade is late in the evening (7:00 P.M.) therefore it is cooler and this time of day it makes it possible for outof-town people to come either as entries or those that watch. Our parade is night of the festival. about five miles with 50-60 duchesses, military floats, out-of-town floats, pet parade and bicycle entries.

All of our judging for the parade itself. The judging is done at 5:30 and trophies and ribbons are placed on the entries so that they will be on the entry as it goes down the street. The mounted Monday - Mostly local interest . . We division is judged in lone of the parade. GARDEN SPOT OF TEXAS - THEME

At 9:00 P.M. we will have Jerry Clower for a stage show. This will be his second year as a part of the festival and he is back by popular demand.

This is the 3rd year for our event. Pedal Pusher's Tractor Pull. This is a contest for children ages 3 to 8. These children pull a sled that has been patterned after the larger sleds used by adults. They are awarded ribbons adn trophies for first, second and third places given for distance. The children's event is sponsored by the Tricounty Agribusiness Association from Dublin, Tex. Thursday - night will be given for Gospel Singing. The time of the program has been set for 9:00 P.M. on the Festival stage. Various groups and local talent will present this program.

Thursday night is the first night of our championship Truck and Tractor Pull. This is one fo the biggest events and draws many urban followers. The Tractor Pull is sponsored by The Outlaw Truck and Tractor Pullers Association. The pull attracts a good crowd

Friday-We will have a Spanish Dance for hte public. The band playing for the dance will be "Little Joe and LaFamilia. "Little Jo is very popular in nut Festial volunteers. In order to en-Texas and has many albums.

Tractor Pull. We are know to have purchased a "sled" for this year's pull that will attract many of the smokers. These are the "BIGBOYS". This event is one of the highlights of the festival. Saturday - The final night of the Tractor Pull and the stands are packed. Final day and activities are scheduled all day. Beginning at 7:00 A.M. is the bike riders registration. The Bike Ride starts at 9:00 A.M. We hope to have several hundred riders this year as it is our third year and news has traveled among the riders about our ride. Name of the ride is Melon Patch Tour "A Peach of a Ride". Routes from 10K to 100K are planned. There are 8 rest stops, sag wagons along the way, Medical support enrouted, special "T" shirts, and lots of food. Also, at 40:00 A.M. is the Ex-students Association meeting. This event has grown every year since the graduation class 50years ago is honored. An ex-student is invited to be the main speaker. This year George Christie, and attorney in Fort Worth will speak.

Something New This Year "De Leon Golden Days" will be special attractions in the downtown area from 10:00 A.M. to 3:00 P.M. for our visitors as will our bike riders. The merchants are opening their stores for demonstrations, etc. An Antique Tractor Show is planned with a parade of the tractors; hay baling demonstration; miking demonstration, square dancing and clogging, miniature train, liar's

contest, food court, and much more. At 3:30 on Saturday we hold our annual Seed Spitting Contest on main street. The object is to spit a watermelon seed farther than anyone else. Distance of each try is measured and the record is 48'. This record is contested each year.

At 5:00 P.M. the event that all must come to see in De Leon. One of a kind, It is the Watermelon Slicing, this is a tradition, slicing cold watermelon on the street curbs and serving them free to the public. De Leon is the first town to have this event. You bring your own salt and spoon if you want or need a spoon. We have approximately 20,000 # of watermelon that has been in cold storage since Monday of the festival. This insures there is plenty of ice cold watermelon for everyone. After everyone has tehir fill of cold watermelon, the De Leon Volunteer Fire Department will wash the streets and haul off

and the age charge is \$6.00 all over 6years old. Also a public dance is held on the concrete slab on the festival grounds At midnight the dance is interrupted long enough for our Special

Our largest crowd is on Saturday night as it serves as a homecoming for all former De Leon students. This year with the added events and interests we doexpect more people than past years.

Also, something that will be a new attraction this year will be a "42" Domino Tournament. This promises to attract a

special interest group. A food court is in operation every

The Gene Hammond Shows will be the midway playing the week of the festival.

Plan To Ride In The Melon Patch Tour Aug. 10

The Melon Patch Tour '96 continues the tradition of offering a fun, festive family cycling event in De Leon on the Saturday of the Peach and Melon Festival week, August 10. Also held on this day is Golden Saturday and these two events were started simultaneously in 1994 to encourage people to come to our community, see the surrounding scenery, and then stay for a vareity of festivities. The support of the community and the surrouding areas has been remarkable and there are over 300 volunteers who work on the day of the ride to ensure its success.

It only costs \$18 to enter the ride if you register by August 1 and \$22 after that date. Another advantae to registering by the August 1 deadline is that it enters your name in a drawing for a new Char-Broil gas cooker donated by Higginbotham's. There are special rates for goups of four or more and for tandems. At registration you also receive a bag of souvenirs and ride information, including a 100% cotton Melon Patch Tour T-shirt, a coffee cup with the ride logo, and toher treasures.

Registration is held at the Senior Citizens's area where the start/finish is also located. A vareity of routes are availabe: 6 miles, 18 miles, 30 miles, 43 miles and 100K. There are rest stops throughou the ride offering home made cookies, popsickes, frozen peaches, and peanuts as well as the standard fare of fruit and drink with the rest stops in Gorman manned by the Gorman Peacourage the riders to take a break from Friday night is a continuation of the the heat, there will be drawings at each rest stop for vaious prizes. These include tickets to Fiesta Texas, "gimme hats", peanuts, free meal chits, T-shirts, waterbottles, and gift certificates to name a few. There are over 300 items in the drawing so far, so the chances of getting awinning chit are pretty good. Sag wagons will be partrolling all the routes to help if need be, and San Angelo Bicycling Assocaition will also have ride marshals riding the routes to give assistance and support. Each of the rest stops will have medical personnel should problems areise, so we want you to just enjoy yourself, and let us take care of

> Join us for a good time and take home good memories. People have come from all over Texas to participate- - so should you. ride brochures are available at the De Leon Information Center, of call 893-6600.

County 4-H Horse Program Reining Clinic Series

The Eastland County 4-H Horse Program is sponsoring a beginner reining clinic series.

The first clinic is set for Saturday, August 3, 1996, at the Eastland County Livestock Show grounds, located on FM 3101, north of Eastland. The clinic will begin at 8:00 a.m. and will continue all day.

Roger Blackmon from Baird, Texas, will be the instructor. Mr. Blackmon is an accomplished horseman and an expert in reining. He is a rtired Texas A&M Extension AGent and helped form some of the top 4-H Horse programs in the state. He also initiated 4-H adult creining clinics which have been held in Abilene to help disseminate reining information to the local level. He also breeds and raises Quar-

The clinics will begin with the basics of horsemanship. Clinics are planned to be held on a monthly basis with increased horsemanship skills progressively added to each session. Knowledge of reining is important in all riding events. Even if riders are not interested in competing in reining events, these clinics will help set a foundation which is important to any

Cost for each clinic will be \$25.00 per family. Registration will take place Saturday night is the final Truck until July 31, 1996. Entries after July and Tractor Pull. Starting time is 7:30 31, 1996, will be charged \$30.00 per

Interested parties should contact Laurna Bacon, 817-442-4081, or Diana Reynolds, 817-629-1873. There is no age limit for participants and you do not have to be a member of the 4-H to



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4-H News

EASTLAND COUNTY 4-HERS COMPETE IN DISTRICT

84-H RECORD BOOK CONTEST

Eastland County 4-Hers took top honors in the District 8 4-H Record Book Contest. Senior 4-Hers who placed First and who will advance to State Judging Competition are: Tommy Seay-Public Speaking, Hannah Nicks - Dairy Goats, Racheal Bush - Food & Nutri-

Others receiving District honors include: Colton Vestal - Beef - 3rd Place; LeAnne Gibson - Clothing & Textiles - 2nd Place; Pamela Osborne-Conservation of Natural Resources -3rd Place; Emily Little - Food & Nutrition - 3rd Place; Meagan Reynolds -Horse - 3rd Place; Jayce Blair - Meat Goats - 1st Place; Bridger Bush - Safety - 2nd Place; Russell Jay - Shooting Sports - 1st Place; T.J. Jay - Shooting Sports - 1st Place.

Others judged at district and receiving Participant Ribbons included: Reed Vestal - Ag Achievement; Michael Keith - Beef; Candi Ross - Clothing & Textiles; Derrik Adams - Consumer Education; Courtney Gibson - Fashion Review; Alison Agnew - Food & Nutrition; Amy Agnew - Home Economics Achievement; Blair Bailey -Horse; Joe Alan Martinez - Meat Goats: Leslie Wood - Shooting Sports; Lindsey Herring - Swine.

4-H Record Books judged on the County Level included: Jessica Keith-Leadership; Colby Gibson - Swine; Zachary Alexander - Swine.

Judging 4-H Record Books at the District Competition included: Mrs. Vicki Seay, Mrs. Ann Jay and Mrs Janet Thomas.



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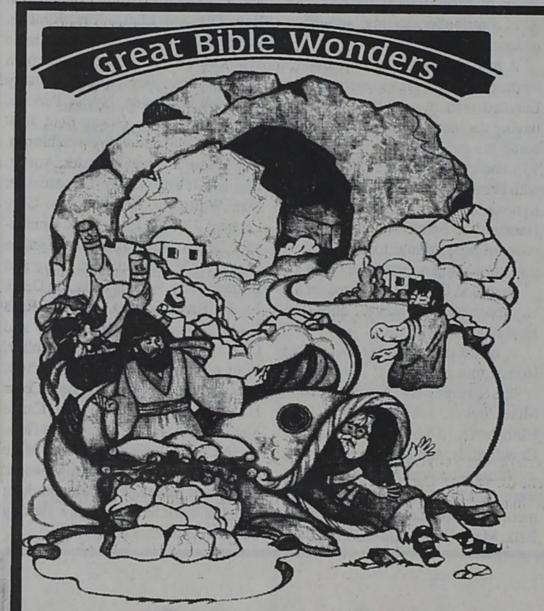


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HERITAGE MANOR NEWS

NANCY HENDRICKS - REPORTING

It was a gala affair Thursday July 25, at 2:00 P.M. when the Dewey Bailey Bond came and entertained for the July Birthday party honoring Effie Mae Brown and Celo clement.

Delicious birthday cake was served Iris Smith. with punch. Sending gifts were Baptist Church, Church of christ, Methodist Church and Heritage Manor. Those furnishing cakes were Anna rush, Estell Ervin, Louise Hollywood and Pat Byrd.

Musicians were Randy Finley, V.O. Huff, Raymond and Vivian Hart, Allen Allcock, Bennie Mosely, Bernard and Ann Keith, Dewey and Tola Bailey and Berniece Farley. Guests were FAy Huff, Jessie Woosley, Jill and Kira Hollywood, Louise Hollywood, Ann Rush, Louise Hollywood, Hazel Neves, NIckle Simpson, Estelle Ervin, Wynogene Smith, and Nancy Hendricks. Residents were Ollie Halcomb, Jack and Mildred Bellows, Travis Smith, Veno Hale, Cynthia Earles, Effie Mae Brown, S.D. Gilmore, Inez Rogers, Iola Johnson, Lorene Jay, Ola Walker, Varona Taylor, Iris Smith and Ava Rodgers.

David and Denna Halcomb visited Ollie Halcomb on Thursday.

On Thursday Joan Fraley had bingo for Cynthia Earles, Leotis Meadows, Veno Hale, Iris Smith, Georgie Whitlock, S.D. Gilmore, Effie Mae Brown, Ollie Halcomb, and Inez Rogers.

Visiting Cleo Clement were Bernice Farley, Lester and Sue Seaton, Maxine Frasier of De Leon, Jerry and Glen and Shirley Clements.

Waldene Jones of Dublin visited her brother Eulon Perry on Thursday.

Some of Skinnie Lewis guests were Ima Lee Burleson and Georgie Iley, mark is a patient in the Brownwood Elouise Lewis, Jim and Karen Burle- Hospital. son, Philip, Donna Robert and Sarah Lewisof Desdemona, Zane and Vickie Harris of Abilene.

On Sunday morning at 10:00 A.M. Bro. Brent Lasater of First Baptist church Roten, Marie Cook of Carbon, Inez taught the Sunday School lesson for Cynthia Earles, S.D. Gilmore, Effie Mae Brown, Veno Hale, Annie Dennis, Inez Rogers, Ollie Halcomb, and Iris Smith.

Joel Nowlin of Ackerman. Hollond and Nancy Truman of Little Rock, Ark., Ima Lee burleson of Desdemona, John and Chris Funderburk of De Leon.

from the Methodist Church were Rev. Kevin Rocket, Pat Hagood, Sunee Stacy, Billy Stacy of Carbon, Ruth Bryant,

Early Bird

SALE

Starts Friday

7 A.M.

Haile, Estelle Craddock, and Velma Bennett. Resident were Ollie Halcomb. Dorothy Beaty, Cynthia Earles, , Veno Hale, Ava Rodgers, Verona Taylor, Effie Mae Brown, S.D. Gilmore and

Visiting Annie Dennis were James and Ruby Lee Kinser, Robert Abbott, Billy JOe and Betty Sue Dennis, Pat Cornwell, Estell Ervin, Mayvis Lasater, Lisa Cornwell, Nancy Hendricks, Jonell Torrez.

Those coming from the Church of Christ at 4:00 P.M. on Sunday were Bro. John Payne, Billy and Janda Taylor, Fred Rogers, Durwood Webb, Cathy and Gregg Goode, Eunice Love of Floydene Gilbert. Residents were S.D. Gilmore, Effie Mae Brown, Iris Smith, Inez Rogers, Cynthia Earles, Varona Taylor, Sylvia Hodges and Ruby Vandergriff.

Some of S.D. Gilmores guests were Dixie Ryon, Kristen and Kelsey Menzel of Desdemona, Durwood Webb. Howard Hagood, Effie Mae Brown. Louise Hollywood, Brenda and Nathon Tucker.

Visiting Annie and Veno Hale were Jimmy and Verna Lee Little, Ruth Bryant, Nancy Hendricks.

Those enjoying concentration with Ina Scitern were Effie Mae Brown, Cynthia Earles, S.D. Gilmore, Veno Hale, Iris Smith and Varona Taylor.

Some of Mary Williams guests were Patrick Frasier of Kingsville, Mayvis Lasater, Euell Poynor, Hope Joiner, Ima Brown Nancy Hendricks.

We are sorry to report Jess Hall-

Some of Cynthia Earles guests were David and Denna Halcomb, V.O. and Fay Huff, Jessie Woosley, Nancy Hendricks, Eunice Love, Bro. Craig Rogers, Chris Funderburk of De Leon.

Those enjoying the home made icecream party were Ina Scitern and residents Ora Mae Atchison, Effie Mae Brown, Cynthia Earles, S.D.Gilmore, Some of Ruby Nowlins guests were Ollie Halcomb, Iola Johnson, Jack Bellows, Inez Rogers, Frank Skiles, Iris Smith, Ina Mae Tarrance, Ola Walker and Vadis Phelps and guest M.L. Skiles.

Some of Ava Rodgers guests were At 2:30 P.M. on Sunday those coming. Wynelle Brown of Carbon, Rodney and Ruthie Spencer of San Antonio, Sue Ann Tarver, Jim Rice, Tommye Nancy Hendricks, Annie Fay Foster,

THE GORMAN PROGRESS Mayvis Lasater, Jolene Gillion, Jimmy and Verna Lee Little.

Enjoying "Horse Races" with Ina Scitern were Effie Mae Brown, S.D. Gilmore, Cynthia Earles, Ollie Halcomb, Veno Hale, Inez Rogers, Iris Smith, Veno Hale.

Visiting Lorene Jay were Brent and Jene Lasater and Mayvis Lasater.

Visiting Jack and Mildred Bellows wree Marilyn Durek, Betty Marille of Arkansas, Juanita Hardin, Eddie and Shelia Smith and Jamison and Alyssa Smith of Garland, Darrell and Pat Graham.

The magazines were sue appreciated Mrs. Juanita Files gave the home.

Patty Whitehorn enjoyed a trip to Abilene with her hsuband Rev. T.D. Whitehorn visiting her son Dr. Michael and Marsha Whitehorn. Also visiting Patty were Marie Cook, Mary Estes of Carbon.

Enjoying Bingo on Friday with Ima Scitern were Veno Hale, Cynthia Earles, Inez Rogers, Patty Whitehorn, Iris Smith, Effie Mae Brown, S.D. Gilmore, Ola Walker, Iola Johnson, Varona Taylor, Rubye Jones and Leotis Mead-

Some of Ora Mae Atchison and Inez Rogers guests were Fred Rogers, Chesley Atchison, Edie Nichols, Della Galloway, Quida Joyce and Kacey Gartman and Tiffany Nowlin of Levelland, Georgie Iley, Ima Lee Burleson, and Jimmy Burl Burleson of Desdemona.

Sue Ann Tarver and Pat Bryd caen and had bingo on Monday. Winner were Inez Rogers, Leotis Meadows, Veno Hale, Patty Whitehorn and Iris Smith. Other players were Ollie Halcomb, Cynthia Earles, S.D. Gilmore, Effie Mae Brown, and Varona Taylor.

Visiting Rubye Jones were Emily Thorton, Casandra Grumbles, Crystal Williams, Adam Spivey, Holly Abbe, Toby ?, Scottie Lewis, Eunice Love Anna Rush, Melinie, Mayvis Lsate: Jerry and Corkey Brown, Vickie, Jost Seth and Tyler Johnson, Julie Core and Cameron Clark and Nancy Her

Visiting Varona Taylor were Bor nie Cox, Billya dn Janda Taylor.

Those enjoying "Music and singing" on Monday with Ruth miner were Ora Mae Atchison, Dorothy Beaty, S.D. Gilmore, Effie Mae Brown, Ollie Halcomb, Veno Hale, Iris Smith, Cynthia Earles, and Annie Dennis.

Visiting Agnes Hoges were Emily Thorton, Scotty Lewis, Toby?, Adai Spivey, Crystal Williams, Casandr Grumbles, Holly Abbe, Jessie Woc ley, Fay Huff and Ruthie Porter.

Ruth Bryant and Nancy Hendrick visited Ozella Pulley, Ola Walke Levenia Blair.

Visiting Georgie Whitlock we Wayne Elizabeth and Samantha Wh lock of Weatherford, Roy Whitlows

and Jackie Whitlock of Desdemona. Betty Duke of Desdemona came on Tuesday and palyed the Electric Keyboard for Effie Mae Brown, S.D. Gilmore, Cynthia Earles, Ollie Halcomb, Annie Hlae, Annie Dennis, Ir Smith, Varona Taylor, Sylvia Hodge and Dorothy Beaty.

Visiting Iola Johnson were Ir Reynolds Wynelle Brown and Marie Cook of Carbon.

Those coming on Tuesday for the Sing-A-Long were Billie Stacy, Dorothy Light, Zelda Jordan, Della Galloway, Nancy Hendricks, Anna Rush, Ernestine Campbell, Ethel Weaver, Marjorie

Residents were Ollie Halcomb, Ola Walker, Ava Rodgers, Dorothy Beaty, Patt Whitehorn, Cynthia Earles, S.D. Gilmore, Effie Mae Brown, Veno Hale,

Inez Rogers. Visiting Iris Smith were Billie Jo Stewart Ashley Rich and Linda Hughes of De Leon.

a new permanent.

On Wednesday morning those coming from the Methodist Church were Sunee Stacy, Rachel Watson, Grace Ann Watson, Carolyn Wilkerson, Pat Hagood, and Tommye Haile. Residents were Cynthia Earles, Effie Mae Brown, S.D. Gilmore, Veno Hale, Ollie Halcomb and Iris Smith.

Some of Orlena Perdues guests were Maggie Qual of Grandbury, Leola Wood and Ann Wood of Stephenville, Lovelle Haynes and her granddaughter, Shelley of Breckenridge, Ima Brown, Rev. Criag Rhoten, Frances Warren, Pat and Howard Hagood, Neva Lee Robertson, Donnie and Nelda Mauriey.

On Wednesday afternoon Joy Campbell came and took residents down a stroll on "Remember When". Residents were S.D. Gilmore, Effie Mae Brown, cynthia Earles, Iola Johnson, Iris Smith, and Ola Walker.

Some of Sylvia Hodges guests were

Dennis of Desdemona, Rosetta Carlton, and Gwen Irvin of CArbon.

Visiting Effie Mae Brown were Jill and Kira Hollywood of Eastland and Louise Hollywood.

some of Vadis Phelps guests wer Birdie Hogan of Ft. Worth, Fave Tucker of Carbon, Kelly Carruth of Ranger Odean Savage gave Ollie Halcomb Joey and and Joy Dennis and Dianthia and Elnora Lindley of Desdemona.



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SS Commissioner **Cites Future Value** Of Social Security

Will future beneficiaries get a fair return on their contributions in terms of the benefits they receive from Social Security? Shirley S. Chater, Commissioner of SS answered this question in a speech before a Senate Subcommittee recently.

Unfortunately, she said many critics of SS view it only as a savings plan for retirement and as a return on investment. Some believe that it they were allowed to invest their Social Security taxes in private investments, such as stocks and bonds, they would receive a higher rate of return - - in their view, a fairer return - - than Social Security currently provides. This view misrepresents the real value of the Social Security program by excluding those features that have contributed the most to society as a whole.

Social Security is successful and popular because it strikes a balance between the two complementary goals of individual equity and social adequacy, the Commissioner said. It meets its equity goal by providing benefit protection related to an individual's contributions and its social adequacy goals by allowing many citizens to enjoy a reasonable standard of living. Social Security allows almost 42 percent of the elderly-10 million people--to live out of poverty. Some of 30 percent of SS benefits go to young families of disabled or decreased worker that have not been able to sufficiently, protect themselves against the unexpected loss of a worker's earnings.

"Becuase SS satisfies goals to vital to our national national prosperity, we disadvantage ourselves if we measure its worth simply by comparing contributions paid and benefits received," Commisioner Chater stated.

She noted that any analysis of the SS program shows that, in the past, benefits tended to be generous relative to contributions. As the program has matured, the return on contributions has decreased, but remains generous.

For example, take a person with average wages who retires at age 65 in 1996, who paid \$21,518 in the employee's share of the Social Security contributions. When interest on those contributions is factored in, the resulting value is \$73,703. This worker will receive a monthly benefit of \$890. He or she will recover all contributions, with interest, in 81/3 years and can be expected to live nearly 10 years beyond the break-even point.

In the future, the rate of return, while declining, will continue to be fair, especially when viewed within

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the context of the broad social objectives of SS. For example, a "Baby Boom" worker with average wages who retires at 66 in 2015 will pay \$59,562 in the employee's share fo SS contributions (\$258,824 with interest). This worker will receive \$2,074 in monthly benefits or \$1,006 in real terms, and recover those contributions in about 12 years. The worker can be expected to live 6 years beyond the break-even point based on life expectancy projections for 2015.

"We cannot accurately project what lifetime benefits for those retiring 20 to 40 years from now will be. And we know what changes to the program are required to sustain SS in the long term," the Commissioner stated.

"For 60 years SS has been one of the most important and successful government programs. Thus, those who seek to measure its value must consider the design of the program, what makes it work, rather than restrict their analysis to a simple measure of a rate of return on contributions."

Who Is At Risk For Osteoporosis?

Extension Home Economics Janet Thomas

County Extension Agent Eastland County.

There are many factors that determine who will develop osteoporosis. The first step in prevention is to determine whether you are at risk. The risk factors are:

*Age - - The older you are, the greater your risk of osteoporosis. Your bones become less dense and weaken as you

*Gender - - Your changes of developing osteoporosis are greater is you are a woman. Women have less bone tissue and lose bone more rapidly than men because of the changes involed in menopause.

*Race - - Caucasian and Asian women are more likely to develop osteoporosis. However, African American and Hispanic women are at significant risk for developing the disease.

*Bone Structure and body Weight - -Small-boned and thin women are at greater risk.

*Lifestyle -- By smoking, drinking too much alcohol, consuming an inadequate amount of calcium or getting little or no weight-bearing exercise, you increase your chances of developing osteoporosis:

*Medicaitons and Disease - - Osteoporosis is associated with certain medications (e.g. cortisone-like drugs) and is a recognized complication of a number of medical conditions including endocrine disorders (having an overactive thyroid), rheumatoid arthritis, and immobilization.

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