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Awards Given At 2000 GHS Graduation

A number of students were presented with awards at the high school graduation ceremony. Gorman High School recognized its graduates on the new Distinguished Achievement Program. This program requires more courses as well as outside projects and college courses. Graduates receiving a plaque for this accomplishment were: Bobbie Jo Grissom, Alma Sanchez, Melissa Tarver, and Madelyn Wilkins.

From the Texas University Interscholastic League the UIL Scholar Award was awarded to those who have participated in UIL extracurricular activities and ranked high in their class. This year's awards went to Bobbie Joe Grissom, Manuelita Madera, Pam Osborne, Alma Sanchez and Madelyn Wilkins.

The President's Academic Fitness Awards given for high ACT/SAT scores and high grade point averages were awarded to Bobbie Jo Grissom, Tara Howard, Robert Lewis, Pam Osborne and Madelyn Wilkins.

Next, Gorman High School recognized and presented certificates of honor to those members of the 2000 class who had maintained 3.5 grade point average all through high school and were graduating on the Recommended or Distinguished Achievement Program. This year's honorees were Bobbie Jo Grissom, Manuelita Madera, Pam Osborne, Alma Sanchez, and Madelyn Wilkins. Grissom also received a trophy for being Salutatorian. Wilks received the Valedictorian trophy.

Attendance awards were also presented to Tara Howard for Perfect Attendance in Grade 12 and Chris Fox for Perfect Attendance in Grades 8-12. Chris only missed 3 days of school in Grades 1-12.

Local Scholarships Given At 2000 Graduation

At Gorman High School graduation on Friday night members of the Senior Class were recognized for some of their many achievements. The local scholarships were the climax of the ceremony.

Jim and Jacqueline Mehaffey of Sherman, Texas, have established the RC and Pauline Eppler Mehaffey Memorial Scholarship. Mr. Mehaffey is a former student of Gorman High School. This scholarship, which is renewable for a second year, covers full tuition, books and fees (approximately \$1,200 per year) to a Gorman High School student who attends Grayson County College in Denison. That scholarship was presented to Melissa Tarver.

For the past twelve years Mr. and Mrs. B. D. O'Neal of Houston has given our two highest-ranking seniors \$500 scholarships each. Mr. O'Neal was a 1944 graduate of Gorman High School. This year's O'Neal Scholarship Awards went to Madelyn Wilkins and Bobbie Jo Grissom.

The De Leon Hospital, presented a \$1,000 scholarship to a student who plans to pursue a health career. In honor of Dr. Howard Dickey, this scholarship was presented to Brenda Ibarra who plans to major in nursing.

Another scholarship given was the Good Scholarship. The Good family has been a part of our school system for many years. This year's Kenneth and Shirley Good Scholarship in the amount of \$1,000 was awarded to Robert Lewis.

The Gorman Livestock Raiser's Association gave a \$1,000 scholarship to Ashley Rich. This year the Chamber of Commerce awarded three \$100 scholarships to show appreciation for all the many hours of hard work that is done the Miss Gorman contest to Ashley Rich, Manuelita Madera and Pam Osborne. The Lion's Club \$250 scholarship went to Robert Lewis.

The Gorman Ex-Students' Association presented a scholarship in the amount of \$250 this year to William Hagood. The Gorman Masonic Lodge presented an award of \$250 for academic achievement, leadership skills and extracurricular activities to Pam Osborne. The GW and Ann Maxfield Scholarship for \$150 went to Robert Lewis.

Countywide scholarships were also announced. The Eastland County Fine Arts Association awarded two scholarships of \$300 each to two students who will be majoring in Fine Arts -- Madelyn Wilkins and Tara Howard. Eastland County Farm Bureau awarded the Eastland County Advancement of Agriculture Scholarship to Pam Osborne.

Gorman High School would like to thank the generous donors for their continued support of our students and the encouragement that these scholarships gives them.

OOPS!!!

In last week's issue of the Progress, we crossed two pictures with articles. Here is the corrected version. Sorry for the mistake Girls.



Patricia Madera

Patricia is the daughter of Francisco and Margarita Madera. She was born on September 16, 1981 in DeLeon.

She plans to attend Cisco Jr. College.

Patricia's activities included FFA, FHA, and volleyball.

She enjoys all kinds of food and all types of music.



Manuelita Madera

Manuelita is the daughter of Zenon and Maria Madera. She was born on December 18, 1981 in DeLeon.

Her future plans are to go to college at Cisco Jr. College for basics and then transfer to a four-year university.

Manuelita's activities include softball-Sophomore year, volleyball-Junior year, National Honor Society-Sophomore, Junior and Secretary Senior year, Calculator UIL-Senior year.

Her hobbies are hanging out with friends and fishing.

Favorite foods are Mexican and ribeye steaks. Favorite music is all types of music.

Awards Given At 2000 Eighth Grade Graduation

At the Gorman Junior High School graduation Thursday night, a number of awards were presented to the graduating Eighth Graders. Lacy Howard received the Valedictorian Award, and Casandra Cooper, the Salutatorian Award. Certificates of honor were presented to the other members of the class who had a 3.5 grade average: Claudia Davis, Andrea Files, and Crystal Williams.

Students who scored on nationally normed tests and who also had high grade averages were awarded the President's Academic Fitness Award. They each received a letter from President Clinton congratulating them on their accomplishment. Students receiving this award were: Holly Abbe, Casandra Cooper, Claudia Davis, Andrea Files, James Hagood, Lacy Howard, Thomas Hurd, Kalyn Porter and Crystal Williams.

TAAS awards were also given. For a student to receive a TAAS award 95% of the questions on the test had to be answered correctly. Those receiving awards were: Casandra Cooper, Social Studies, Reading, and Math; Lacy Howard, Reading; Kalyn Porter, Reading; Crystal Williams, Reading; Christopher Smith, Science; and Sawyer Wright, Science.

It takes a great deal of effort for a student to be in attendance every day during the school year. Because of the effort involved, those students who had perfect attendance during this school year were also recognized. They were Holly Abbe and Kalyn Porter. Kalyn also received special recognition for Outstanding Attendance, Grades K-8.

Letter To The Editor

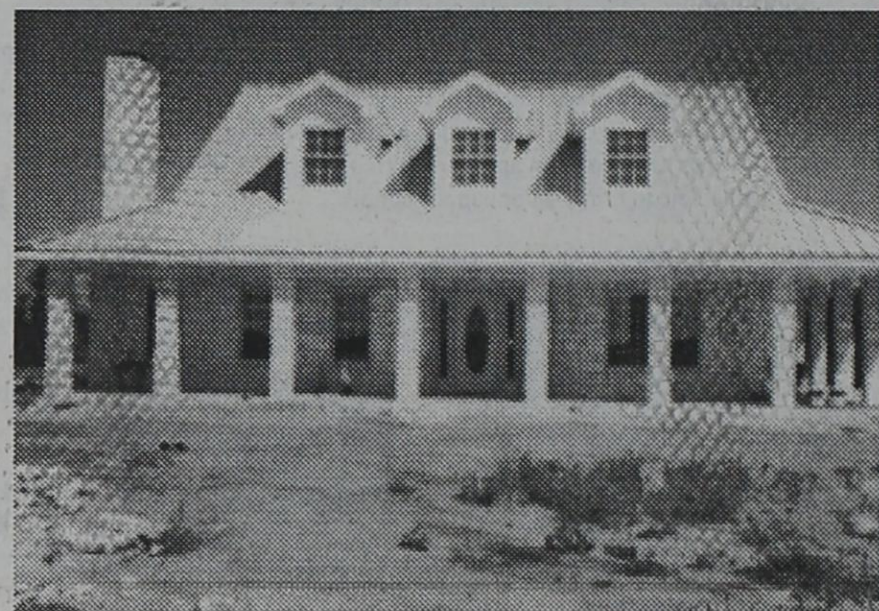
Dear Editor:

I would like to take a moment and a few lines of your newspaper to say THREE CHEERS for Heritage Manor and their (hopefully) first annual Health Fair. It was outstanding! It was well run, and they made excellent use of the facilities and residents, alike. I was there probably three hours and did everything from having my body fat tested to getting our baby's required immunizations. There was very little waiting from station to station and all the folks running them were kind and helpful and very knowledgeable.

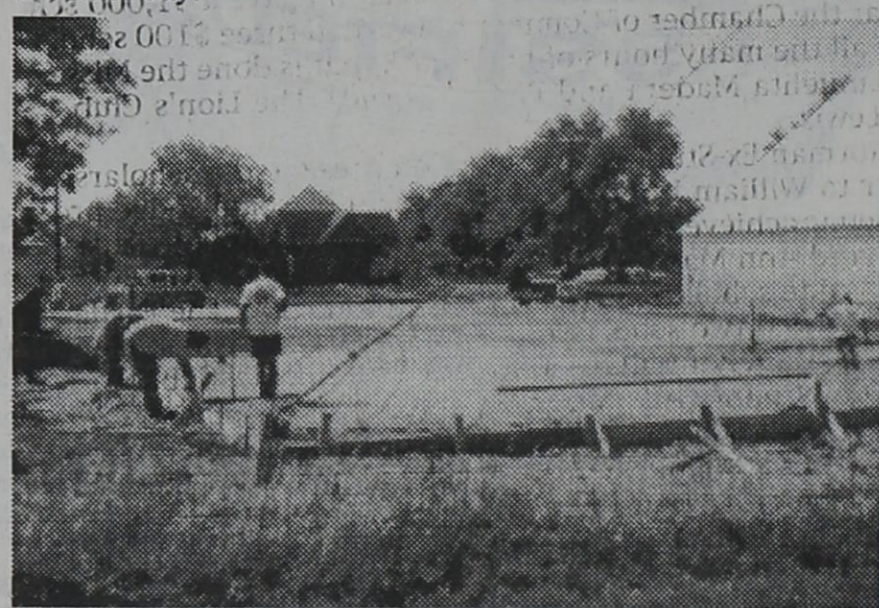
I hope they continue to offer this service to our community and I would recommend to everyone who can, to attend in the future. It would even make an excellent field trip for our school age children.

Again, a huge hooray for all of you at Heritage Manor ... it obviously took lots of teamwork! You all did a great job!

(s) Lori Dodd



NEW HOME in the completion stage being constructed by Clark Construction of Gorman out on the Farm Road 571 the Ranger road, northwest of Gorman is being built for Mr. and Mrs. Ron McCormick, who plan on retiring to the property following their retirement in the Metroplex area. The home features white stone and beautiful matching pillars adds to the overall beauty. When you are out that way drop by and see this beautiful place. We will try to have more on the McCormicks and their new home at a later day.



A **NEW ADDITION** to the storage facilities of Gorman Milling in the northeast part of town is being constructed at the present time. The contractors were pouring the slab for the large building on Tuesday. This outstanding firm continues to expand their facilities here in Gorman and is indeed an asset to our community and it's citizens. We will have more on this as the work on the project progresses. All of our citizens should be proud to have a company of this magnitude in Gorman.



Sons of Confederate Veterans

Interested in your Confederate Ancestor?
Sons of Confederate Veterans are in Comanche, Eastland, and Erath Counties.
James 915-356-5700 - Trent 254-893-2525
or Thomas 254-734-2819

ITEMS OF INTEREST

Dominoes! Dominoe games are being held everyday during the week at the Gorman Community Center from 12 Noon until 7

The Order of the Eastern Star holds its regular stated meetings on the first Monday of each month at 7:30 p.m. - Oleta Moseley, Worthy Matron and Pat Moseley, Worthy Patron.

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

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. Kenneth Good, Worshipful Master — Pat Moseley, Secretary.

NOTICE!!!

Effective June 1st - Trash Charges will increase from \$11.38 plus tax to \$12.00 plus tax.

