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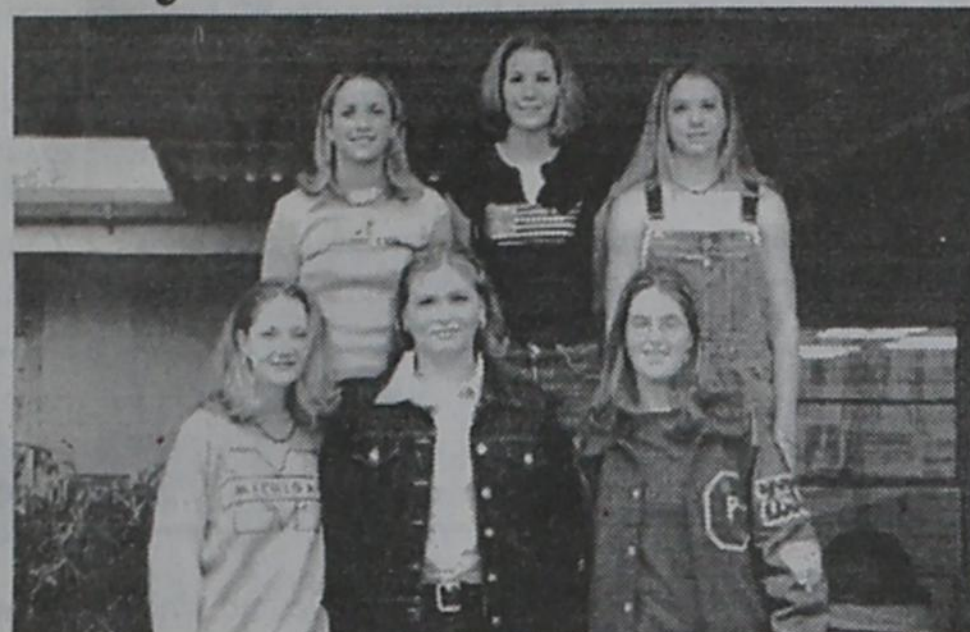
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All-District Team for 10-A Volleyball Named



All schools in district 10A met in order to pick their All-District teams. The schools in our Volleyball District include Ranger, Moran, Lingleville, and Gorman.

Although the Lady Panthers had a rough season with only two wins, their playing abilities did not go un-noticed by the other schools in the district. Several of the Gorman Lady Panthers were chosen to represent Gorman on the All-District team.

Lydia Royster, a sophomore, was chosen as the Newcomer of the Year. Mandy Warren, a senior, was picked first team. Kalyn Porter, a sophomore, was also chosen first team.

2nd Team picks include Jamie Maupin, a senior, and Shari Marlow, a Junior.

Honorable mention was given to Andrea Files, a sophomore.

Racheal Thomas, Robin Overby, Kristina Everton, and Kendra Bailey are also members of the Varsity team. Each of these girls spent many long hours learning new offenses, defenses, and strategies to become better at the game. They should be commended for their efforts this year.

One of the things the girls have learned this year is that sometimes you don't see immediate rewards for hard work, and that they must be patient in order to build a successful athletic program.

Thank you to the seniors who worked so hard, they will be greatly missed next year; however, we are returning several girls who gained much experience this year on the volleyball court. I look forward to another fun and exciting year.

s/ Coach Sowell

Lana Howard, Lacy Howard and Sarah Lewis Compete in TMEA Vocal Contest



Lacy Howard, Sarah Lewis and Lana Howard competed in the first two rounds of the TMEA Vocal Contest. In round one, Lacy was 1st chair and Sarah was 2nd chair in the Alto I section. Lana was 5th chair in the Soprano II section.

In the last round, Lana received 1st chair in the Soprano II section. She will be singing in the region choir concert on Saturday, November 17th at Granbury High School. She will also compete in the Pre Area round auditions.

Congratulations to all the girls on their achievements and thanks for your hard work and dedication. It's been an uplifting experience working with each of you.

s/Lisa Laminack

Emily Thornton and Holly Abbe Competed at UIL Twirling Contest



Holly Abbe and Emily Thornton competed at UIL Twirling Contest and received a Division II on their solos.

Congratulations to both of you and a special thanks to Kristin Matteson for all your help.

s/Lisa Laminack

Eagle Scout Court Set For November 17th

Your presence is requested at an Eagle Scout Court of Honor for Derrik Adams and Christopher Torres on November 17, 2001 at the Gorman Community Center in Gorman, Texas at 5:00 p.m. Reception will follow.



Athletic Director News

By A.D. Coby Tyson

Football is officially over for Gorman this year as the J.H. and Varsity closed out the 2001 season against Rising Star. The J.H. defeated Rising Star. The Varsity fell short of the Wildcats 14-47. The coaches are proud of the improvements our kids made throughout the season, and we are encouraged about the future of our football program.

The J.H. Girls opened up their basketball season against Morgan Mill and came away victorious in 6th, 7th, and 8th grade games. The J.H. girls and J.H. boys will play Rising Star here this Thursday.

The J.V. Grls, Varsity Girls, and Varsity Boys basketball teams kick-off the 2001-2002 season against Gustine on Tuesday, November 13th at 6:00 p.m. The Varsity boys and girls will be in Leuders-Avoca Tourney Nov. 15th-17th. The J.V. boys and girls will be in the Eastland Tourney on Nov. 17th.

Cross Country Season Ends at Regionals

The Cross Country season came to a close on November 3rd. The season was beneficial for all who participated. The District meet was held on October 22nd in Cross Plains.

Eight runners competing represented Gorman very well. In the Varsity boys division, Jose Cruz finished seventh with a time of 20:04:84 and moved on to the regional competition. The other members that competed were Keith Treadway 29th, Miguel Cruz 32nd, and Scotty Lewis 39th.

The Varsity girls consisted of Ashlee Hornback running an exceptional race and placing 25th, and Casandra Grumbles fighting through an injury--finishing 38th.

Gorman also had two junior high runners in the meet. Kevin Lewis finished 9th in the A division boys and Krista Brown placed 25th in the A division girls.

At regionals, Jose Cruz ran exceptionally well. The field was stacked with over 170 of the top runners from the region. Jose finished 62nd out of those 170 plus runners running nearly 45 seconds faster than his district time.

These athletes deserve all the praise and compliments they can receive because of their willingness to sacrifice for their school. I thank Keith and Miguel for pushing themselves to the limit one last time and wish them the best after graduation. I also want to encourage the ones coming back to continue to work hard with their other sports and to be excited about next season. The two female runners are freshman and thus have a lot of potential. Jose will be returning and will look to better himself next year. The building blocks have been set. I am looking forward to a bright future for Gorman Cross Country.

s/ Bryan Waller

Panthers Finish Season; Look Forward To Next Year

The Gorman Panthers finished up the 2001 season with their eighth loss in 9 tries. This loss came at the hands of Rising Star. The Panthers played well the first half taking the lead 14-13 with only a few minutes left in the first half. The Wildcats scored just before the half to make it 14-21 at the break. The second half was all Rising Star as they racked up 27 second half points in route to a 47-14 win over the Panthers.

"We played as well as we have all year on offense, but defensively we couldn't keep up with their talented players. We did a lot of things right the first half, however they came to play the second half while we dropped a level. Once again our kids played tough, but came up short. Our time will come if we keep working and no one quits."

The Panthers graduated four seniors off this year's team: Robert Abbott, Miguel Cruz, Chris Dodd, and Wes Wilkins. Thank you for your efforts seniors. As for the underclassmen the challenge to improve and turn around our program is an attainable goal that will take a great deal of work. "We have 15 players that should be back next year if no one quits and we should get 9 to 11 players from our 8th grade class. We should have more numbers and hopefully have more time with all of them next year. The coaching staff has issued a challenge to these young men to get stronger, faster, quicker, and mentally strong before next season."

Gorman began the season with only 13 healthy players and 14 total. They added 5 after the Perrin-Whitt game and finished the year with 19. Out of the 19 there were anywhere from 2 to 5 injured throughout the rest of the year. "We were definitely short handed most of the time when it came to practice and when we were trying to fill in for injured players. In reality, last Friday was our 6th game of the year with everybody. That would have been our first district game. What that tells me is that we can get a lot better if we have everyone come out the first day next year and stick with it. When I think about how we didn't have 11 players to field at team, it is a tribute to the players and coaches to have ever won one game. I hope our boys realize how much better we could have been and carry that with them every day until next season. Most people are glad to end a season when you're struggling for wins and are ready to take some time off, but I'm ready to get to work now. Our kids must get to work now, the foundation of the future must be built today for tomorrow comes sooner than you think."

The 2001 Gorman Panther Football Team and Coaches would like to thank all of those who showed

that you are truly our supporters by coming to our games and backing us no matter what. You cannot comprehend how much that means to all of us. We also would like to thank the Cheerleaders for all of the work they put in to the season and the support they have given us in such a difficult year. We want to thank the band and band boosters for all the support that you have given us this season. On a personal note, I would like to thank those of you that continued to show your support for me throughout the season with your words of encouragement and handshakes. I also would like to thank the coaches and their families. These guys gave many hours of work and sacrifice to this season. They came to work 6 to 7 days a week and you couldn't tell if we were undefeated or winless. They gave us a chance because of their efforts and I thank each of them for that. Until next season, may God Bless You and Go Panthers.

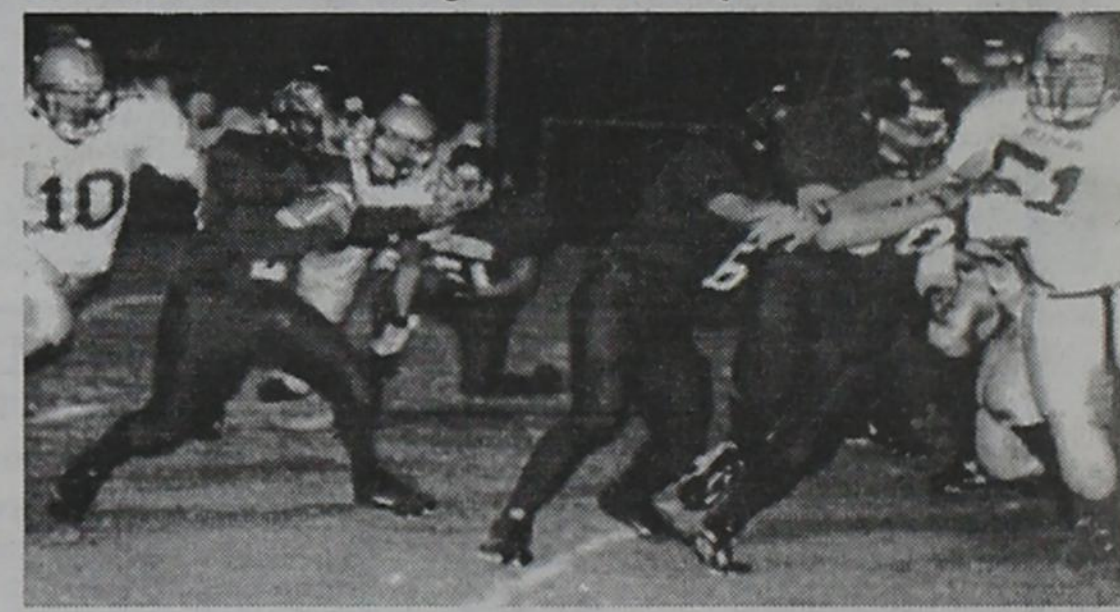
Athletic Director
Coby Tyson



GOING FOR THE RUNNER -- Shown above are Miguel Cruz, Bryan Hunt, Chris Dodd breaking the line of Rising Star in game action Friday night to stop a Wildcat for short gain.



GOOD TACKLE -- Rolando Rodriguez is shown making a fine open field tackle on a Wildcat in game action Friday.



FOLLOWING BLOCKERS -- Rolando Rodriguez is shown following the block of Gil Cochran and Chris Dodd during game action Friday night.

More Photos inside this issue.

Good Job Panthers! See You Next Year!

Veterans Day Celebrations Inside This Issue!

ITEMS OF INTEREST TO AREA FOLKS

LIBRARY — Charlie Garrett Memorial Library will be open Monday thru Friday from 3 to 5 p.m.

BLOOD PRESSURE CHECKS — Blood Pressure Checks by Heritage Manor of Gorman. Every week at Senior Citizens at 11:00 a.m. Other week at Gorman Hotel at 10:30 a.m.

Gorman Primitive Baptist Church has Services Every Sundays. Services begin at 10:30 a.m. Bro. Mark Waltenbarger - 1st Sunday; Elder Mike Webb, Pastor - All Other Sundays - Everyone Welcome To Attend.

FOOD PANTRY Second Thursday of Each Month

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. Larry Majors, Worshipful Master — Pat Moseley, Secretary.

4-H - Meets Second Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m. at the First United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall.

COMMUNITY THANKSGIVING SERVICE — The Community Thanksgiving Service will be held Sunday, November 18th at 6:00 p.m. hosted by the Gorman First United Methodist Church. Everyone is urged to attend the service and refreshments afterwards.

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

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 Rt. 3 Box 121A, or American State Bank, Gorman, Texas 76454.

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 NOVEMBER 21ST FROM 9 - 12 NOON.

Obituaries

Services Held for James E. Dyson

James Edward Dyson, 63, of DeLeon, died on Friday, November 9, 2001 at the DeLeon Hospital. Services were Sunday, November 11, 2001 at the Comyn Baptist Church with Ray Seckinger and Jackie Auvenshine officiating. Burial was in the Comyn Cemetery.

Mr. Dyson was born on November 26, 1937 in Gorman to the late James Foye Dyson and Thelma Adaline Barker Dyson. He married Joy Craddock on February 6, 1970 in Dublin. He was employed as a John Deere parts manager; equipment operator for a chemical company; member of the Comyn Baptist Church, and was a lifelong resident of DeLeon.

Survivors include his wife Joy Dyson of DeLeon; three sons, James Edward Dyson, Jr. of Comanche, Bradley Todd Dyson of DeLeon, and Michael Cord Dyson of DeLeon; three daughters, Lorrie Leann Dyson of DeLeon, Cindy Heines of Missouri and Pam Johnson of Gorman; one brother Danny Dyson of Santo; 11 grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

He was also preceded by one brother, Jo Michael Dyson.



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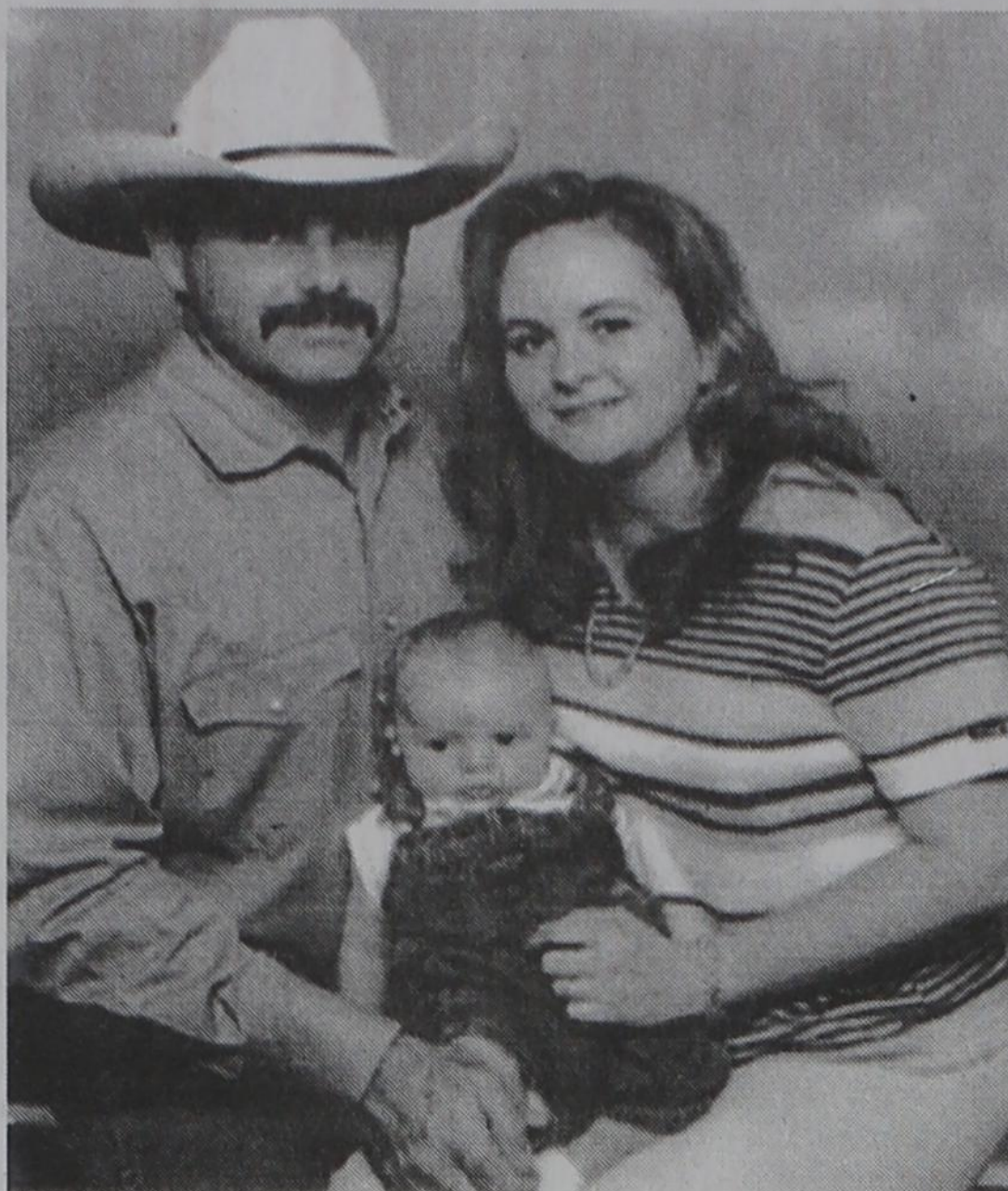
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A big THANK YOU from the Keaton family on behalf of Judy, Kevin and Jake Strickland.

Three weeks ago Judy Strickland, at age 30, suffered a massive heart attack. The doctors had no hope for her other than a heart transplant, and being that she had been taking medication for an irregular heartbeat, her insurance considers her condition pre-existing and therefore will not cover any of the costs of her treatment.

Thanks to all the prayers, love and donations. Judy's heart is mending with the help of medication and will come home soon to regain her strength for a multiple by-pass and still possibility of a transplant.

Kevin, Judy and newly adopted son Jake give the friendly folds of Gorman a big THANK YOU for their love!!!

Karen Keaton
On behalf of the Strickland Family
Psalm 41:1-3

Thank You

We want to thank everyone for the prayers, cards, flowers, and kind words of comfort we received during our time of sorrow.

A special thank you to Brother Bill Campbell for his message of comfort and to the ladies of the First Baptist Church for the food they prepared and served the family.

Heritage Manor was home to S.D. and he considered the staff and the wonderful residents his family. To all of you, we say thanks for all the happy days you gave him.

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I would like to take this opportunity to thank all those who sent flowers or expressions of sympathy for my mother, Edith Harper, who passed away in September. The support of family and friends have made this difficult time more bearable for me. It is evident by these expressions that my mother chose her friends well. Thank you so much for being a friend to my mother.

Diane and Frank Reed

Do We Have Your Recipes Yet?

Gorman GROW is still collecting recipes for the community cookbook project to commemorate Gorman's Centennial in May of 2002. We would love to have your favorite recipes. Just type or print your recipes on an 8" x 11" sheet of paper and send them to: Melissa Osborne, Gorman GROW Cookbook Project, Route 1 Box 231, Gorman, Texas 76454. Recipes can also be emailed to gormangrow@hotmail.com.

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Lady Panther Basketball

Saturday, November 10th the Gorman Lady Panthers kicked off their pre-season with a three-way scrimmage. The Blanket Tigers hosted the scrimmage that kicked off at 10:00 am, and Rising Star also participated, along with Gorman.

The scrimmage was divided into two quarter times, with round robin type play. The Lady Panthers looked very promising after a 2 quarter stretch with a very aggressive Blanket team. At the end of the first 2 quarter play the Lady Panthers only trailed by 3. Rising Star came out scrapping with a tall line-up, but this was not an intimidation to Gorman, after a tough quarter, the Lady Panthers clawed there way back into the game.

The Junior Varsity Lady Panthers also scrimmaged on Saturday at Blanket and they are looking good for this early time in the season.

Members of the Varsity are as follows: Melinda Leal #21, Jamie Maupin #13, Kaly Porter #33, Lydia Royster #25, Racheal Thomas # 11, and Kristina Everton #23.

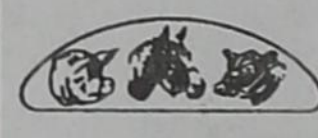
The JV members are as follows: Kendra Bailey #30, Emily Thornton #42, Amanda Hair #32, Casondra Grumbles #10, Rachel Granado #33, Ashlee Hornback #14, and Ariana Giles #23.

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s/ Coach Sowell

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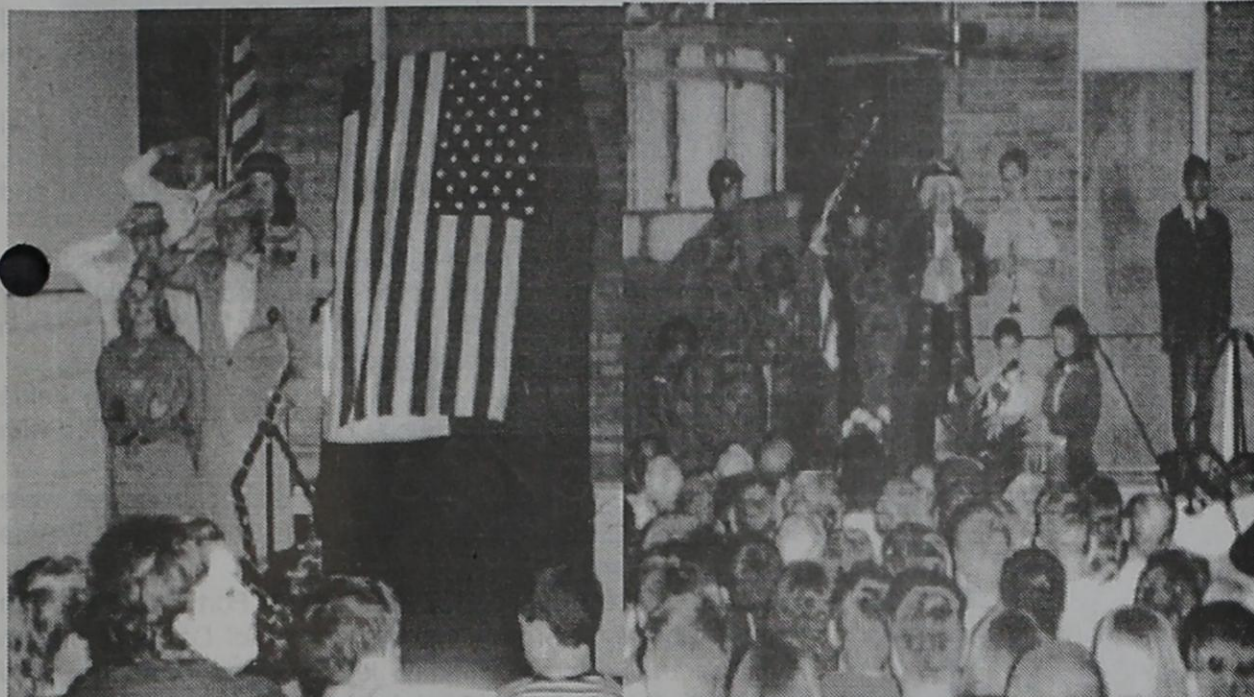
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Gorman 8th Grade Class Honor Veterans Monday



The Class of 2006 honored the Veterans with a program held at the Gorman High School Auditorium on Monday morning. This program honor the Veterans who have served our country. The Eighth grade class honored all the veterans. Here is part of the program presented:

Our Deepest Appreciation

It is with gratitude in our hearts today that we, the Class of 2006 honor the Veterans who have served our country. We will continually strive to hold dear to our hearts the memories you have shared with us today and relate your stories to our own generations. Your life has been a sacrifice so we, as young Americans could have the freedoms for which you fought. Truly there is "no greater gift than when you lay down your life for that of a brother."

We would also like to express a note of thanksgiving to all the people who have helped us prepare for this celebration. The names are numerous, but you know who you are and we are indeed grateful.



The members of the Class of 2006 are: Sterling McCauley, David Wilkins, Zachery Bryan, Kendra Swanner, Nathan Ritter, Sandra Lara, Esteban Leal, Hank Rainey, Jesse Simpson, Krista Brown, Amber Ervin, Nora Mendoza, Amber Lewis, Samantha Regian, Andy Abbe, Armondo Giles, Nikki Keith, Gonzalo Cruz, Tim Guerra, Ben Hughes, Tim Patel, Justin Willey, Cindy Lopez, Holly Wright, Summer Olvera, Sharla Perez, Shannon Roberts, Jessica Williams, Kent Long, Kevin Lewis, James Prerez, Heath Grissom, Corey Brown.

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Local vendors will be selling wooden items, quilts, jewelry, homemade soaps, lots of other misc.

We will serve homemade stew and chicken salad sandwiches.

For more information, or if you would like to reserve a booth, please contact LaJoyce at 254/893-2634 or Christal at 254/893-4360.

School Menu

Week of Nov. 19

Breakfast

Monday--Cereal, milk, juice

Tuesday-Sausage, biscuits, milk, juice

Lunch

Monday--Steakfingers, creamed potatoes, green beans

Tuesday--Ham or bologna sandwiches, vegetable soup

Wednesday, Thursday, Friday--Thanksgiving Holidays

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Weight Loss Puzzles Doctors

ATLANTA, GA -- Doctors were surprised when two separate studies found that a natural dietary supplement could help cause significant weight loss.

Although not conclusive, both studies found that patients receiving the formula called Bio-Rex 3000, lost more than twice as much weight as those in a control group on the same fat reduced diet. Neither group was instructed to decrease the amount of food they ate or to increase their exercise levels. An article published in the *American Journal of Clinical Nutrition* says that you don't have to decrease the amount of food you eat to lose weight, provided that you limit the fat.

According to a spokesperson for Phillips Gulf Corporation, the exclusive North American distributor of Bio-Rex 3000, the company is considering additional studies in order to get federal approval to make pharmaceutical claims. Currently, weight loss claims for the Bio-Rex 3000 supplement are limited. However, with the requisite approval, the company could say that Bio-Rex 3000 decreases sugar cravings, increases metabolism and interferes with the body's ability to produce excess fat.

Bio-Rex 3000 is currently available as a dietary supplement and plan in pharmacies and nutrition stores or by calling 1-800-729-8446. Suggested retail price for a four week supply is just \$19.99. www.hcdsales.com © 2000 PGCC

Bio-Rex 3000 is available locally at:
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DESDEMONA NEWS

BY VONNIE GUTHERY

First Baptist Church of Desdemona continues to have good attendance. Weldon Hayes of Fort Worth was the guest speaker for the Gideon's International. Special music was presented by Josh Eaves and Leo Williams. Veteran's Day was observed. Veterans present were Bobby Baker, Moody Koonce, Jay Grimshaw, Leo Williams and W.T. Yardley--each were presented a patriotic ribbon for appreciation of their time spent in the service for our country.

Desdemona Annual Thanksgiving Supper was well attended last Saturday night at the Community Center (school gym). The music program was enjoyed. Thanks to the ladies who cooked and donated food, to those who helped do the serving, to those who set up tables and chairs, to those who cleaned the building and fixed the decorations. Also, thanks to those (our neighbors) who attend each year from our area towns. All proceeds go to the Community Center Fund.

Visitors over the past weekend with Dorothy Roberts were Kevin and Ulenda Weaver, Shawn and Heather Caddell and children, Kelsey and Cameron, Heath Weaver and friend, Leann, Ashley Weaver and son, Tanner all of Fort Worth, Jeff Roberts of Dallas, Ken and Sissy Horan of Cross Plains, Emily Williams and daughter, Kena of Granbury, Tenia Pate and children of Burleson. They attended the Annual Thanksgiving Supper last Saturday night at the Desdemona Community Center.

Jr. and Nell Moore of Benbrook visited the weekend with her mother, Benton Echols of DeLeon Nursing Home and her sister, Lou Boyd. Jr. is slowly improving from a knee replacement surgery.

Our sincere sympathy goes out to the family of Ed Dyson of DeLeon who passed away Saturday. Survivors are his wife and children, one brother Danny Dyson. Preceded in death by his parents, Foye and Thelma Dyson and one brother Mike Dyson.

Have a nice day—"Coon"

Girls Junior High Basketball Begins

On Tuesday, November 13th, the Gorman Lady Cubs kicked season off in fine fashion. They travelled to Morgan Mill to take on the Mustangs. Both 7th and 8th grade teams competed very well against the Mustangs.

The 7th grade girls team consists of Tiffany Perez #13, Brittany Shirley #31, Rosa Herrera #40, Kristi Carlton #42, Kacy Seaton #41, Mindy Keaton #22, and Amanda Brown #55.

Morgan Mill owned the lead after the first quarter 8 to 6, but Gorman tied at the end of the 2nd quarter at 10. By the third quarter, the Mustangs had gained control again 16 to 14. The Lady Cubs proved to be strong finishers though...by scoring 12 points in the 4th quarter. The final score was 26 to 20, Gorman.

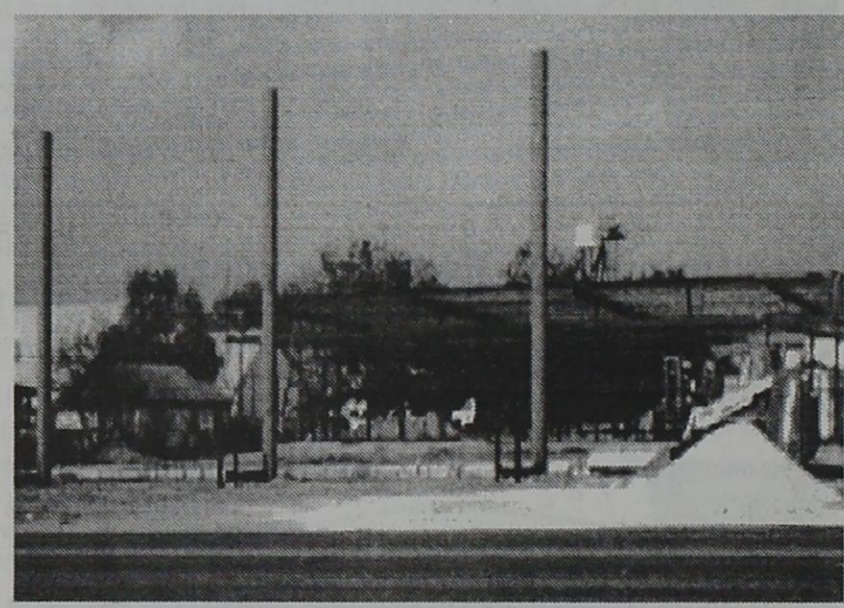
Tiffany Perez led the scoring with 12 points, Brittany Shirley had 4, Kristi Carlton with 4, and Kacy Seaton with 6.

The 8th grade team this year consists of Krista Brown #10, Nikki Keith #11, Kendra Swanner #14, Sharla Perez #23, Samantha Regian #32, Sandra Lara #30, Jessica Williams #12, Amber Ervin #52, and Nora Mendoza #21.

The 8th grade Lady Cubs ended the 3rd quarter with an 8 to 2 run on the Lady Mustangs. In the 2nd quarter, Gorman scored 10 to Morgan Mill's 4. The third quarter was a slow start for the Lady Cubs, only scoring a deuce. However, the Lady Cubs finished strong with a commanding 10 points in the 4th quarter, ending the game with a 30 to 10 victory.

Kendra Swanner led the Lady Cubs scoring with a whopping 18 points, followed by Krista Brown with 8 points, and Samantha Regian with 4.

Congratulations to the Lady Cubs on their first victory, come on out and support them as they begin their season play. *Miss Tammy AHD* / Coach Sowell



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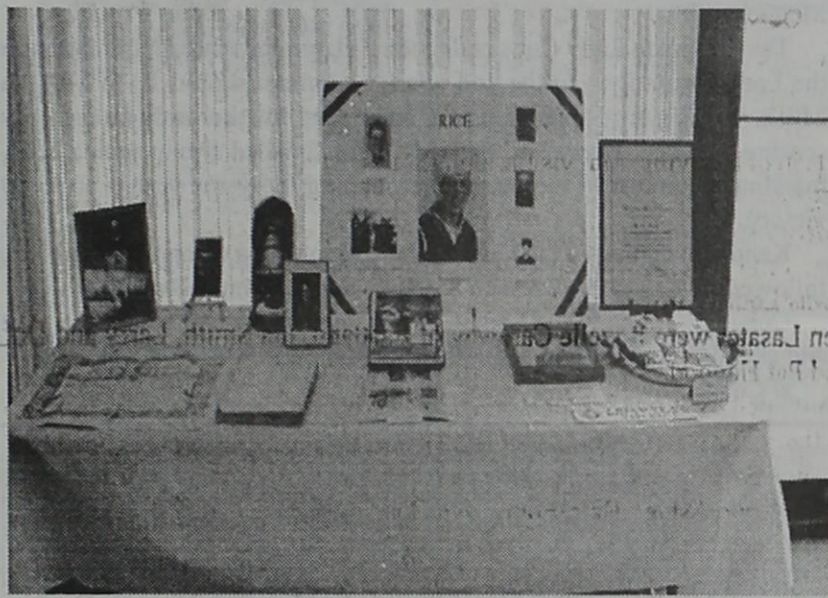
Veterans Reunite After 35 Years

Jerry Mehaffey (Navy 15 years) and Kenneth (Kenny) Welch (Army 31 years), (left) both of Gorman, met for the first time in 35 years at the Veterans Day Open House, American State Bank, last Friday. Neither recognized the other, but both were viewing pictures of Jerry and his Jet on the USS ESSEX in 1956. Kenny made the comment that he knew Jerry Mehaffey (not recognizing him standing next to him) and the two of them had a good laugh at how each of them looked now.

Many in Gorman will remember Jerry for the times that he would fly low over Gorman in his jet and BUZZ mainstreet. Both met a lot of their other Veteran friends there and talked about old times and a lot of good memories.

ASB had approximately 200 visitors in for the open house. Gorman residents brought in more than 100 pictures of Veterans from the surrounding communities, some still with us and some deceased. They also brought in many newspaper clippings and books documenting different times in history that our Veterans went to war, back to the Confederate days.

The display will stay up through Thanksgiving to give everyone in the community the opportunity to come in and see their old friends on review. If you have a photo that you would like to add to the display, please bring it in to the bank lobby.



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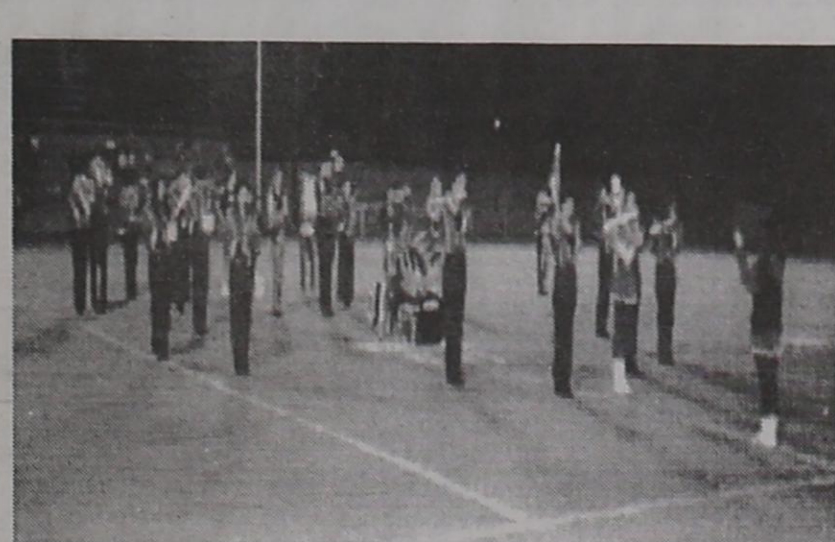
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Heritage Manor News

By Nancy Hendricks



On Saturday morning at 10:00 a.m., Lonnie and Edith Grumbles brought church services for A.V. Seay, Veno Hale, Inez Rogers, Dorothy Beaty, Ava Rodgers, Frankie Jarrett, and Patti Whitehorn.

Some of Buster Brown guests were Janice Grice, Tisha and Daniel Grice of Stephenville, E.G. Henderson, Louise Brown, Eunice Love, Kenneth and Shirley Good, Bonnie Croft, Howard and Pat Hagood.

On Sunday morning coming from the First Baptist Church for Sunday School were Bobby Rich, Tootie Campbell and Louise Brown. Residents were Buster Brown, Veno Hale, Dorothy Beaty, Modess Self, Ola Walker, Buddy Winn, A.V. Seay, Ava Rodgers, Irene Heathington, Jewel Snider, Veno Hale, Frankie Jarrett, Glen Lasater, Inez Rogers, Ethel Weaver, Robin Taylor and Hallie Clark.

Visiting Buddy Winn and Ed Johnson were Harvey Winn and Ruby Lee Norris of Carbon, Fay Johnson, Howard and Pat Hagood.

On Sunday afternoon, coming from the First Baptist Church were Charlie and Betty Morris. Residents were Dorothy Beaty, Mildred Bellows, Veno Hale, Ava Rodgers, Patti Whitehorn, A.V. Seay, Margaret Helms, and Zadie Terry.

Some of Patti Whitehorn and Cynthia Earles guests were Mayvis Lasater, Howard and Pat Hagood, Marie Cook, Sylvia Estes, V.O. Huff, Eunice Love, Fay and Denzel Ables.

Sorry to report Louise Griffin is a patient in the DeLeon Hospital.

Visiting Mildred Bellows were Darrell and Pat Graham, Mayvis Lasater, Howard and Pat Hagood, and Eunice Love.

On Friday morning, Ina Smith had bingo for Ava Rodgers, Inez Rogers, A.V. Seay, Veno Hale, Frankie Jarrett, Clifton Jarrett and Patti Whitehorn.

Some of A.V. Seay and Sara Rodgers guests were George Rodgers, Eunice Love, Fay and Denzel Ables, E.G. Henderson, Mayvis Lasater, Howard and Pat Hagood, Lou Evelyn Rodgers of Midlothian.

Visiting Muriel Prewitt were Durward Webb, Howard and Pat Hagood, Mayvis Lasater.

S.D. Gilmore Passes Away

S.D. Gilmore, 88, passed away Friday, Nov. 2, 2001 in the DeLeon Hospital. Services were Sunday, November 4, 2001 at Higginbotham Funeral Chapel with Rev. Bill Campbell officiating. Burial in Oaklawn Cemetery in Gorman, arrangement by Higginbothams.

S.D. lived in Gorman all of his life. He was a retired farmer and a Baptist. He was the son of Joe Sevy and Dovie Pittman Gilmore.

He was preceded in death by his parents, five brothers, and three sisters.

Survivors include one sister, Idell Warren of Gorman, a number of nieces and nephews and a host of friends. Visiting Margaret and Olan Helms were Howard and Pat Hagood, Eunice Love.

On Monday morning, Ina Smith and Pat Graham had bingo for Inez Rogers, Sara Rodgers, Clifton and Frankie Jarrett, Patti Whitehorn, Ava Rodgers, A.V. Seay, Veno Hale and Mildred Bellows.

Visiting Vera Henderson and Inez Rogers were E.G. and Nancy Henderson of Lake Leon, Lou Evelyn Rodgers of Midlothian, Howard and Pat Hagood, Bill and Tootie Campbell.

On Monday afternoon those coming for the singing were Ernestine Campbell, Anna Rush, Nina Joiner, Alpha Andry, Geraldene Wright, and Daisy Slaton. Residents were A.V. Seay, Inez Rogers, Veno Hale, Mildred Bellows, Patti Whitehorn, Frankie Jarrett, Ethel Weaver and Margaret Helms.

Some of Bea O'Neal guests were Mayvis Lasater, Tootie Campbell, Howard and Pat Hagood.

Heritage Manor is happy to report Ollie Halcomb is home after a few days in the Stephenville Hospital.

Visiting Zettie Terry were Eunice Love, Fay and Denzel Ables.

Some of Dorothy Beaty and Ollie Halcomb guests were Eunice Love, Denzel and Fay Ables, David Halcomb, Mayvis Lasater, Tootie Campbell.

On Tuesday morning Betty Duke of Desdemona came played the electric organ for Frankie Jarrett, A.V. Seay, Veno Hale, Ava Rodgers, Margaret Helms, Ollie Halcomb, Ethel Weaver and Cynthia Earles.

Visiting Ruth Bryant were Dr. Kyle Bryant, Susie, Chance, and Mykisha Hampton, Larry and Martha Bryant, Mayvis Lasater.

Visiting Veno Hale and Stella Files were Eunice Love, Mayvis Lasater, Fay and Denzel Ables and Pat Hagood.

One Tuesday afternoon, Pat Graham and Ina Smith had 'crazy bingo' for Patti Whitehorn, Veno Hale, Cynthia Earles, Ava Rodgers, Inez Rogers, Mildred Bellows, A.V. Seay, Clifton and Frankie Jarrett.

Some of Ava Rodgers guests were John and LaTon Rodgers of Carbon, Lou Evelyn Rodgers of Midlothian, Mayvis Lasater, Ina Brown, Jana Grice, Dub and Lovelle Crowley of Comfort.

Visiting Clifton and Frankie Jarrett were Dub and Lovelle Crowley of Comfort, Rita Hall of Kerrville, Trevor, Melissa and Jarrett Robertson of Kerrville, Mayvis Lasater, Lou Evelyn Rodgers of Midlothian, Eunice Love, Kay Watson, and Mark Watson.

On Wednesday morning, Rev. Bill Campbell came and brought chapel. Residents were Dorothy Beaty, Ollie Halcomb, Irene Heathington, Veno Hale, Ava Rodgers, A.V. Seay, Modess Self, Hallie Clark and Buster Brown. Also from First Baptist was Louise Brown.

Visiting Jewel Snider and Glen Lasater were Rozelle Caraway of Eastland, Ina Smith, Larry and DeLinda Snider, Diana Snider, Howard and Pat Hagood.

On Thursday afternoon Ina Smith had "What Is It" for Buster Brown, Ava Rodgers, Veno Hale, A.V. Seay, Patti Whitehorn. It was reported that Ina gave everyone a sucker which they enjoyed very much.

Guests visiting Ethel Weaver and Hallie Clark were Lane and Ernestine Campbell, Marjorie Treadway, Brenda Boyd, Sherri Amonda, Shanna and Ashley Hair, Frank and Joan Moore of Lake Proctor, Eunice Love, Jo Ann Fraley, Mayvis Lasater, Howard and Pat Hagood.

Some of Modess Self and Irene Heathington guests were Dave and Laneta Freeman, Ken and Betty Sue Heathington, Howard and Pat Hagood, Mayvis Lasater, Eunice Love, Bill and Tootie Campbell, Modess enjoyed an outing with Dave and Laneta on Thursday.

Gorman Goes To War

Submitted by Icy Munn—Article from *The Gorman Progress*, date and author unknown

This is a story that is true—as true as you and I. For it is a story about us.

Once upon a time there was a town in Texas. It wasn't a very large city, nor was it a bit large city, nor was it a bit spectacular. Strangers passing through probably remarked, "What a dull-looking place!" But they just hadn't lived there—Deep in the Heart of Texas.

The weather was entirely unpredictable; cold one day, and hot the next, and most of the time the wind blew a little. But the natives just put on sweaters or took them off, and dusted a little more often when the sand sifted in more than usual.

In 1940, eleven hundred people were busy in their own interests, working, going to church, playing golf, listening to Jack Benny on Sunday night, backing the hometown football team, and remarking hopefully that "the war in Europe is too bad, but it's not our fight."

But at the beginning of 1941, the peace-time draft took a number of young men from Gorman and at first it seemed queer to see them come home in uniform. Soldiers and sailors seemed remote to the needs of a little town in a nation not at war. "Especially," as people added, "when they'll never use this military training." But everyone drove over to see Camp Bowie nearby, which sprung up like a huge, bewildering mushroom, almost overnight.

When America was plunged into the war, almost a year later, a large number of boys from Gorman and the surrounding far communities had been trained for almost a year, and an avalanche of strong, young manhood followed the country's call to arms.

Gorman's first casualty was Lelan Howard Bryan, a quiet boy, stationed with the U.S. fleet at Pearl Harbor. The Japs got him right in the back. But they failed to get his brother—stationed there at the same time—and we know they've heard from him more than once.

More and more boys and young men filed out of town. "From the Hall's of Montazuma to the Shores of Tripoli." That song was repeated time after time on the radio, and some of the boys from Gorman resolved to be leathernecks.

A great many began the intensive training to become pilots. Others went "down to the sea in ships," patrolling the waters in Coast Guard cutters, landing invasion forces, and fighting Nazi submarines.

In the spring of 1942, the news came that all the Allied nations knew was inevitable...but it hurt. The gallant heroes of Bataan and Corregidor were Japanese prisoners. Sidney Awalt was one of those taken by the enemy. It didn't seem possible that that could be true. Sid played the trumpet when he went to high school here—and he liked "Dinah" better than any other song, although he liked them all—music and dancing were the spice of life, he thought. And in 1931 he played halfback on one of the smallest but fightingest little teams that Gorman ever had. They only had thirteen men in uniform, so the regulars had to be tough. They were outnumbered, but it was just a sport for Sid then. Then years later, it wasn't sport to be outnumbered at Corregidor.

Winston Harper was a volunteer in the R.A.F. when we went to war, and was shortly stationed in England. Weldon Linder was sent to Africa as a U.S. pilot, and other boys who went aloft to battle the enemy from the skies included Sam Richey, Jr., Earl Stone, Jr. and Harold Mehaffey.

In Guadalcanal, the Japs were beaten to their knees, but at a fearful cost. One of the two Gorman boys stationed there gave his life; and the town knew that no matter what the home front did, no one could ever match Joe's [Harrison] sacrifice.

Utah Grice was on a ship that was torpedoed, and another gold star was added in the hearts of those who realized he had died for all of us.

The war came closer and closer, and exploded in our ears when the Invasion of Italy began for one of the Divisions which formed the bridgehead on the beach at Salerno had many Gorman boys in it. Elvy Clark, Snooks Craddock, J.B. Blackwell, Elbert Bennett, and Albert Westmoreland, just to mention a few. The papers tell what these boys have done for freedom and of the long struggle ahead of them.

On and on the list could go—from Adolph Montgomery in India to Clenon Short in Sicily, J.C. McCulley, Edgar Reynolds, and Floyd McCormack in Australia, Aubrey Bennett in New Hebrides, and hundreds of others, just as gallant, fighting day and night for the side that's on the right. The people at home thought of them, prayed for them, and had faith in the future they fought to keep free.

The Third War Loan Drive gave the home front a chance to pass the ammunition to the men in arms all over the globe, and the quota assigned to Gorman was \$77,000. For a small town, this stupendous sum was as forbidding as a mountain. But the people with friends and loved ones in slit trenches and on destroyers didn't let it overwhelm them. They bought bonds and more bonds; even when it seemed they had all they could afford, they dug a little deeper, and bought another.

The close of the third week showed that the large sum of \$70,000 had been purchased here, and that left seven thousand dollars to be bought in a week.

Before the week was up, the home front showed that it had kept faith with its fighting sons. The little town had bought its quota and was determined to keep buying.

We look forward to the happy ending—when we see all of them come marching home in victory.

AG TALK

By Charlie Stenholm
November 9, 2001

Senate Works on Farm Bill

There were some interesting developments in the Senate this week in terms of their efforts to write a farm bill. The Senate Agriculture Committee spent the week working on its version of the farm bill, S. 1628, after the House passed its version last month. Senators Lincoln and Hutchinson of Arkansas, Senator Helms of North Carolina, and Senator Miller of Georgia introduced a farm bill in the Senate that was very similar to the one passed by the House.

Senate Majority Leader Tom Daschle has rejected a request to bring the House version before the full Senate for consideration.

Several members of the Senate Agriculture Committee have expressed their concern at the growing cost of the Senate proposal.

The USDA has estimated that the Senate version, written by Agriculture Committee Chairman Tom Harkin, may be \$5 billion above the amount allowed under the budget for 2002.

As of Thursday, November 8th, the Senate Agriculture Committee had completed action on the following portions of the Senate farm bill: trade, credit, rural development, research, energy, and forestry.

With regard to the trade section, the Senate bill would provide \$2.1 billion more in additional spending than is currently allowed in the budget in order to allow U.S. banks to finance sales of food and medicine to Cuba.

Cuba has the potential to be an important market for the sale of U.S. commodities. The U.S. embargo on sales of food to Cuba has not hurt the Castro dictatorship, but it has hurt our own producers. Other nations trade openly with Cuba, and the USDA has estimated that opening the Cuban market to U.S. producers could increase our agriculture exports by billions of dollars.

The Texas Farm Bureau strongly supports selling U.S. agricultural products to Cuba and I agree with them. The House version of the farm bill, on the other hand, would authorize \$1.4 billion in additional spending for its trade section and does not address the subject of trade with Cuba.

The Senate bill would allow USDA's supplier credit program to make short-term loans directly to importers of U.S. products, rather than using a bank. It would also double, from six to 12 months, the period of the loan.

The Senate Agriculture Committee still has lots of work to do to complete action on the following sections: commodities, conservation, competition, and nutrition.

Next week, the Senate will continue working on these sections of the farm bill and a spirited debate is expected. It is not clear how the commodity section will be treated, but it is worth noting that Senator Harkin's plan for conservation is \$7.2 billion larger than the House bill and includes payments to farmers who initiate conservation practices on working land.

The Senate bill includes \$600 million for energy, which was not included in the House version, and is intended to promote ethanol, bio-diesel, wind energy, biomass fuels, and other alternative energies as an additional source of income for farmers and ranchers.

The Senate version includes grants and loans to farmers and ranchers for purchasing renewable energy systems to make energy-efficiency improvements.

It also includes a section on competition, unlike the House version. The Senate bill would, among other things, clarify restrictions on contracts to benefit producers and create a new USDA Office of Special Counsel for Competition Matters.

The office would be responsible for investigating, prosecuting, and regulating agricultural mergers and competition issues, and would have the authority to take civil and administrative actions.

While Senator Harkin is primarily targeting practices within the livestock and poultry industries, the language provides for enforcement against all producers, cooperatives, handlers, and processors.

Also included in the proposed title is a provision requiring country-of-origin labeling on the retail level for livestock and produce.

It is important to keep in mind that all of this is still in the proposal stage and has not yet been adopted by the Senate.

Many producer and agribusiness groups have already voiced their opposition, however. It is my understanding that Senator Harkin and others hope to complete a Senate bill before the Thanksgiving break. This means the Senate Agriculture Committee will need to finish a bill by November 16.

Once the Senate passes a farm bill, a conference committee of House Members and Senators would meet to develop a compromise bill. This would once again be presented to the House and Senate for a final vote.

I am pleased that the Senate is finally moving forward with a farm bill, and I am hopeful that Congress can send a bill to the President for his signature by the end of the year.

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Congressman Stenholm represents the 17th District of Texas in the U.S. House of Representatives and is the Ranking Member of the House Committee on Agriculture.

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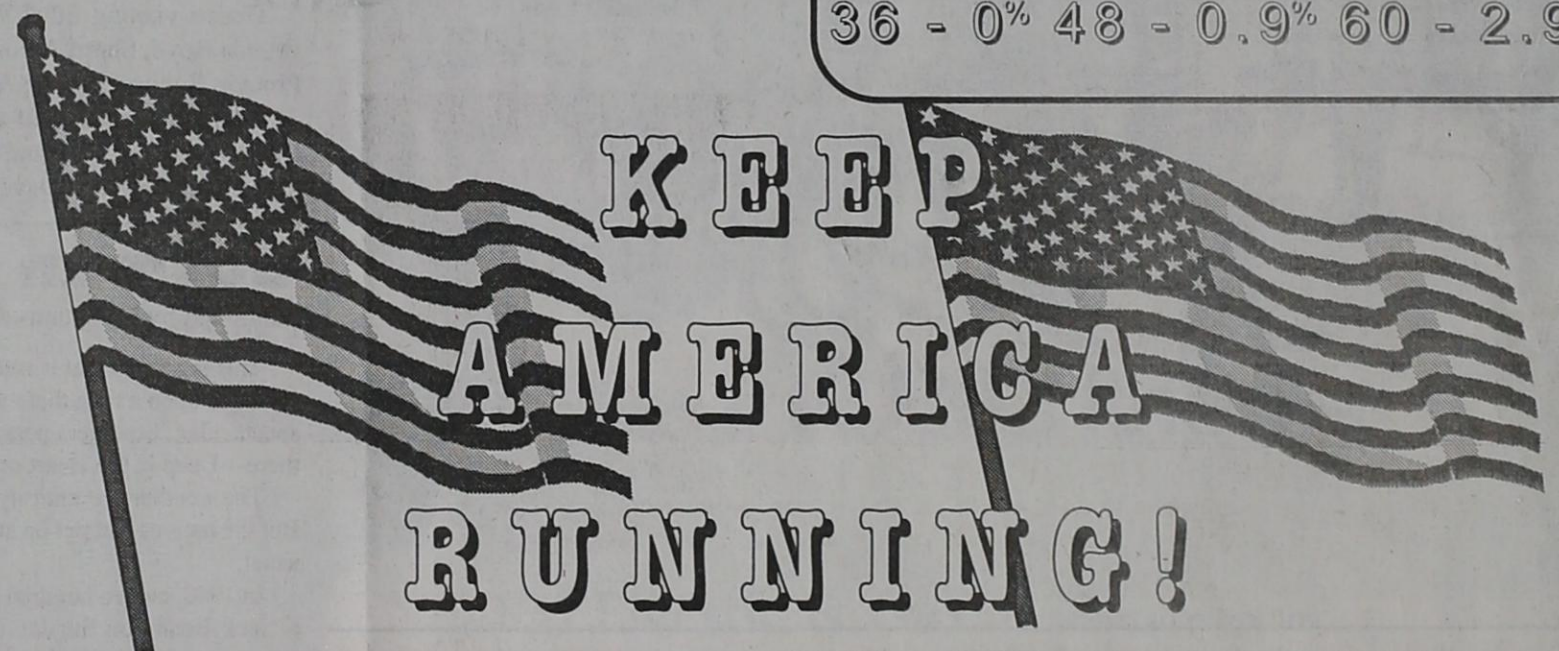
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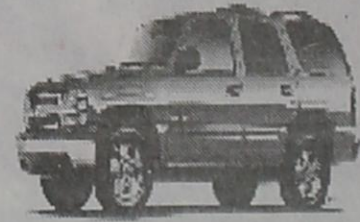
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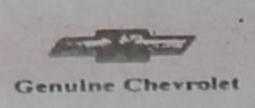
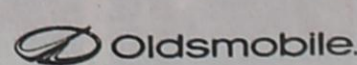
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AMERICA'S CAMPAIGN AGAINST TERRORISM BEGINS

Since the very first days after the September 11 attacks, we have come to realize that our country has been attacked, and our freedom must be defended. This is truly a battle between good and evil, and in the process of holding accountable those responsible, the United States will act in a united, conscientious and determined manner.

The President recently stated that "we will not rest until terrorist groups of global reach have been found, have been stopped, and have been defeated." It is why the United States, with the assistance of the British, is bombing military targets in Afghanistan.

This is the first critical phase of what will be a long campaign against terrorism. This will not be a swift battle, with a conclusive and immediate end, like the Gulf War. This will take a great deal of time and sacrifice, but we will prevail. We will fight not just today, not just tomorrow, but next month and the years after that as well.

I know that if we remain steadfast and dedicated to our goals, and united in our hearts and our will, victory will come.

Meanwhile, we are providing humanitarian assistance, including food, to the innocent Afghan people - people who have starved, suffered, and lost loved ones at the hands of the extremist Taliban regime. We are only targeting those who have committed evil, and those who support them. We will not let any stone remain unturned - and we will not let this horrible act go unanswered.

It is our responsibility to make sure all of those who have died these past months and in the 200 plus years before that to maintain the freedom of this country, will never, ever have died in vain.

From the very beginning of our history, we have faced the challenges presented to us with courage and integrity - and we have defended freedom no matter the crisis. This difficult time reminds me of the very first great challenge our nation faced - the battle for our very independence.

During the Revolutionary War, a brave young patriot, Major General Joseph Warren, fought against the Redcoats at Bunker Hill. He battled with the other American irregulars against an enemy more than twice their size - causing the Redcoats to lose more than a third of their troops - but, in the end, the ammunition of the Americans ran out.

While the bulk of the Continental Army retreated, the last units stayed in their trenches to hold off the British. They fought hand-to-hand. That is where Major General Joseph Warren was last seen fighting.

Before his death though, in the quiet before the battle, Joseph Warren gave the men under him a simple command:

"Our country is in danger now, but not to be despaired of. On you depend the fortunes of America. You are to decide the important questions upon which rest the happiness and the liberty of millions not yet born. Act worthy of yourselves."

That command applies to all of us now - and it is a challenge I know we are all capable of living up to and even exceeding. God Bless America!