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# Gorman Lions Club Blood Drive April 18

The Gorman Lions club will sponsor a blood drive on Monday, April 18. The new Meek Blood Center Bloodmobile will be at the City Park from noon until 6:00 p.m. "When the Bloodmobile was in the planning stages, our main goal was visibility. When it rolls into town, I think the donors will agree that we met our will place the Bloodmobile into service in Gorman.

According to statistics provided by Meek Blood Center, the need for blood transfusions is increasing more quickly than the donations. While 60% of people are eligible to donate, only 5% do. Every minute, approximately three gallons of blood gets used in the United States. Blood donors make surgeries possible, help accident victims, furnish treatment for those with a blood disease, as well as enhancing the quality of life for cancer patients.

Those who have questions regarding eligibility are urged to call Meek Blood Center at 325-670-2798. "We re-evaluate the qualifications on a regular basis," said Baker. "In fact we recently changed the deferral time on tattoos, piercings, and permanent make-up. If the procedure was done in a facility licensed by the State of Texas with a single-use kit, the deferral period is two weeks rather than one year."

Each donor will receive a T-shirt and a complimentary total cholesterol reading. The cholesterol results are Cogburn, Nicole-Long Jump, 14' 5 1/2" available three days after the blood drive.

# **Eastland Co. Commissioners Court Special Session April 15**

The Commissioners Court of Eastland County, Texas, will meet in special session at 10:00 a.m. on the 15th day of April, 2005, at the Eastland County Courthouse, Commissioners courtroom, to conduct business. At such time, the Commissioners Court will take up for consideration, and approval and adoption a County Road Map, as revised after public comment and a determination by a jury of view, said map having been available for public inspection since December 1, 2004 in the office of the County Clerk, Eastland County Courthouse. The date of the special meeting at which the Commissioners Court will consider adoption of a County Road Map will be held before the 90th day following the date of the initial public meeting required §258,002(b) of the Texas Transportation Code, held January 18, 2005.

# **Lady Panthers Track Lucky Number Seven!**

Gorman Lady Panthers took 3rd place overall at the Glen Rose district track meet with 82 points. Through goal," said Frances Baker, donor recruiter. Jerilyn Wilkerson, Blood Drive Chairman, will cut a ribbon, which a lot of hard work and effort seven Lady Panthers have made their way to Area. They have overcome some gruesome practices and training to get to this point! " The dedication the girls have shown to stay on this track team is evident in their continuance to Abilene Wiley, the Area Track Meet", said Coach Tooley. April 15th (Abilene Wiley)-Area Track

> Participants fom Gorman: Naeseth, Amanda-100M Dash, 13.42; 200M Dash, 28.32 Powell, Mary-1600M Run, 5:50.82; 3200M Run, 13.23.56 Thackerson, Crystal-3200M Run, 14.07.45 Jones, Tecia-3200M Run, 14.11.12 Carlton, Brandy-400M Dash, 1:07.22C; 800M Run, 2:47.29; Triple Jump, 30' 5 1/2"; High Jump, 4'8" Lewis, Megan-100M Hurdles, 18.04; 300M Hurdles, 53.95

These participants will be competing soon. Please wish them luck and keep them in your prayers!!!

**Coach Tooley** 



## Curb Side Clean-Up May 5

Spring Clean Up will be on may 5, 2005. This will be curb side, this is also the 'first Thursday large item day' as well.

Please do not put out tires, batteries, paint or any refrigerant products.

# Revival At Kokomo Baptist Church April 17 - 20



The annual Spring revival at the Kokomo Baptist Church will be held from Sunday, April 17th through Wednesday, April 20th. Services will be at 11:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. on Sunday, and at 7:00 p.m. Monday through Wednesday.

Rev. James Bond, of Plano, will be the evangelist. Bro. Bond, a graduate of Howard Payne University and Southwestern Theological Seminary, retired after many years as a Baptist pastor in 1996, and since then has been serving in the Intentional Interimship Program of Southern Baptists. He recently celebrated his 50th anniversary in the ministry.

He and his wife, Marion, are the parents of four grown children. He is the brother of Joe Bond of Kokomo.

Glorify, the team of Daryl Hirst of Gorman and Brenda Thomas of Cisco will be directing the music.

The pastor, Bro.Clarence Wilson and the members of the church cordially invite the public to attend these services. Come expecting a blessing from God's word and the good gospel music.

Rev. James Bond

A covered dish lunch will be served in the fellowship hall following the Sunday morning service.

# Lady Panthers Win Two - To **Move Into 2nd Place In Dis. 6**

The Gorman Softball team won two games last week to move to 7-3 on the season and more importantly 2-1 in district play entering the second round of district. The two wins currently puts Gorman in second place among the teams in District 6-A.

The Lady Panthers first of the two wins occurred in Albany on April 5th against the Lady Lions, last years District Champions. The Lady Panthers fell behind in the first inning as Albany scored 1 run on 2 hits before Gorman recorded the third out. Gorman answered in the top of the second inning by scoring two runs on 3 hits. The game would remain that way thru the 3rd, 4th, and 5th innings until Gorman scored a run in the top of the 6th inning to increase the lead to 3-1. However, Albany tacked on a run in the bottom of the 6th, but still trailed 3-2 going into the 7th inning. After a scoreless top of the inning for Gorman, the Lady Panther defense shut down the Lady Lions in the bottom of the 7th to secure the teams 6th victory of the year and 1st victory over Albany since March of 2003. The Lady Panthers had several good defensive performances including Kendra Swanner who pitched 7 innings and gave up 2 runs (1 earned) on 6 hits and recorded 4 strikeouts. Brandy Carlton the Lady Panthers freshman shortstop recorded some key putouts as the rest of the Gorman defense played one of its best games of the season. Offensively the Lady Panthers recorded 3 runs on 10 hits. Nikki Keith and Megan Lewis each had 2 hits while Brandy Carlton, Ashlee Hornback, Kristi Carlton, Kendra Swanner, Rosa Herrera, and Tecia Jones each had 1 hit. Rosa Herrera and Tecia Jones each had a RBI as well. Other members of the team include Reba Granado, Sharla Perez, HollyAnn Wright, Mindy Keaton, Crystal Thackerson, and Amanda Regian.

The Lady Panthers then picked up their second win of the week at home on April 8th against the Lady Bulldogs of Ranger. The Lady Panthers started our on fire by scoring 3 runs in the bottom of the first inning after having held Ranger scoreless in the top of the 1st. Gorman then got a little sluggish and allowed Ranger to score 2 runs in the top of the 3rd inning. Gorman would pull things together however by scoring 3 more runs in the bottom of the 4th inning and 1 more in the 5th inning to bring the score to 7 for the Lady Panthers and 2 for the Lady Bulldogs. Ranger would tack on one more run in the top of the 7th, but that would be it as the Lady Panthers would not need their last at bat and Gorman defeated Ranger by a final score of 7 to 3. Again Kendra Swanner contributed on the mound despite not having her best stuff as she gave up 3 runs on 7 hits and recorded 7 strikeouts. At the plate the contributions were spread out again as Sharla Perez, Brandy Carlton, Megan Lewis, and Tecia Jones (RBI) each had singles for the Lady Panthers. Kristi Carlton had a single and a double while tacking on a RBI as well. Reba Granado added a single, double, and 2 RBI's for the Lady Panthers, while Kendra Swanner was 3 for 3 with 3 singles on the night. Other members of the team include Ashlee Hornback, HollyAnn Wright, Nikki Keith, Rosa Herrera, Crystal Thackerson, Mindy Keaton, and Amanda Regian. The Lady Panthers had a big week coming up as they play their final 3 district games in 7 days. Gorman will travel to Eula on Tuesday April 12th to take on the State Ranked Lady Pirates at 4:30 (game will have been played by press time). Then the Lady Panthers play host to the Albany Lady Lions on Saturday the 16th at 10:00 am. Then Gorman wraps up district play on Monday the 18th at Ranger at 4:30. It will be a busy week as we will have kids competing in these games as well as district tennis and area track. It will be a critical week for our program and our girls. The current district standings thru the first round of district are as follows:

## **District 12-A Track Results -- Boys**

100 Meter Dash - Corey Brown- 4th place with a time of 11.33 sec. (Area Qualifer) 200 Meter Dash - Reggie Sanchez - 4th place with a time of 23.99 sec. (Area Qualifer) 800 Meter Relay- 6th place with a time of 1:39.04 - Corey Brown, John Torres, Ryan Wright, and Reggie Sanchez.

Long Jump - Corey Brown - 6th place with a jump of 17' 9".

\*\*\*The area track meet will be held at Abilene Wylie on Friday April 15, 2005.

# **Community Garage Sale April 23**

Gorman GROW will host the annual Community Garage Sale on Saturday, April 23, 2005. Maps will be published and distributed around the community on Saturday morning.

The Garage Sale will also be published in area newspapers. If you want to be on the map, please contact Becky Laminack at 734-3263 or Lori Dodd at 734-3933.

## The T.A.B.'s Cinderfellow Contest

T.A.B.'s Relay for Life Team will be hosting a Cinderfellow Contest on Tuesday, April 26th at 7:00 p.m. at the High School Auditorium. More information will be available later.

All proceeds will go to the American Cancer Society.

## Desdemona Cemetery **Association Annual** Meeting

The Desdemona Cemetery Association will hold their annual meeting on Saturday, April 16, at the First

## **State Fair of Texas Validation**

The State Fair of Texas is currently implementing a state wide validation program. All market lambs and goats exhibited at the 2005 State Fair must be validated by June 30, 2005. If you are planning on exhibiting a lamb or goat in 2005 you must order your tags by April 20, 2005. The cost of the tag is \$6.00 on or before this date and \$10.00 for tags ordered after this date.

Market Swine must be validated by June 30, 2005. However, tag orders do not have to be turned in until May 10, 2005. They are also \$6.00 per tag. If you have any questions contact Mr. Boles @ the Ag shop 734-2505.

# ITEMS OF INTEREST

The Order of the Eastern Star holds its regular stated meetings on the first Monday of each month at 7:30 p.m.

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

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. Bob Wilkerson, Master — Pat Moseley, Secretary.

VET Science 4-H Project - 4th Tuesday each Month. Technology Center / Gorman Community Center. Contact Lee or Amy Wood at 254-734-2973

### DISTRICT 6-A STANDINGS

4-0 \* Eula has already played Albany in the second round -- GORMAN 2-1 EULA ALBANY 1-3 \* Albany has already played Eula in the second round -- RANGER 0-3 **REMAINING GAMES:** 

TUESDAY APRIL 12TH: GORMAN @ EULA, RANGER @ ALBANY (4:30) FRIDAY APRIL 15TH: EULA @ RANGER (4:30) SATURDAY APRIL 16TH: ALBANY @ GORMAN (10:00) MONDAY APRIL 18TH: GORMAN @ RANGER (4:30)

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Baptist Church Annex ın Desdemona.

The meeting will begin at

All Association members are urged to attend and bring a covered dish for lunch.



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**Boy Scouts** 

**Meeting Week** Tuesdays - 6:30 p.m. **Methodist Church** 

4-H - Meets Second Monday of each month at 6:00 p.m. at the First United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall - Amy Wood - 734-2973

SANDRA CAGLE WILL BE IN GORMAN AT THE CITY OFFICE TO RENEW AUTO LICENSE PLATES. HER NEXT VISIT - WEDNESDAY APRIL 27TH FROM 9 - 12 NOON. Oakland Cemetery Association is accepting donations for the Care of the Cemetery. Donations can be sent to Oakland Cemetery Association, 503 N. Fisher, Gorman, Tx 76454, or American State Bank, Gorman, Texas 76454.

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

## 11 a.m. on Saturday morning. School News

Monday, April 18th - Lady Pan-

thers vs. Ranger, there-4:30 p.m.;

Panthers vs Albany, there-3:30 p.m.

Tuesday, April 19th - TAKS

Thursday, April 21 - TAKS

in Abilene; TAKS

Wednesday, April 20th - TAKS

Friday, April 22 - Regional UIL

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## **The Cancer Crusaders Drawing**

The Cancer Crusaders will have a drawing for a bench that is made out of weathered wood and has been accented with an American Flag painted by Bo Roberts. The bench is on display at Foster Floral. Tickets are \$5.00. To purchase a ticket, contact Cheri at 734-2668. All proceeds will be donated to the American Cancer Society.

# **Relay for Life**

Relay for Life of Eastland County will coming up soon at the Gorman High School Football Stadium beginning at 6:00pm on Friday, April 29th. We hope you and your family will make plans to attend.

This year the Relay For Life committee and the elementary schools in Eastland county are letting our students get involved in the fundraising events for the luminaria bags.

The schools are allowing the students to decorate luminaria bags to remember, support and honor those who have been touched by cancer.

If you receive a letter with your students papers or a luminaria bag, let your student decorate that bag and send it back to the school with a donation by April 18th.

On the bag you can put some ones name that has cancer, has fought cancer, or has lost the battle.

At 9:00pm luminaria candles will be lit to remember those we have lost to cancer, to support those who currently have cancer, and to honor those who have fought cancer in the past. For a donation you child can purchase and decorate a luminaria sack as their way of making a donation to the Relay For Life. All money will go to the Eastland County Unit of the American Cancer Society.

We invite you to come out and join us at the Relay For Life and help take up the fight against cancer.

We would like to thank the schools for letting your students participate in this fundraiser and worthy cause. Schools participating are: Gorman, Ranger, Cisco, and Rising Star.

For more information please contact Valerie Hampton 734-2174 - Michelle Byrd 639-2849 Or your students school

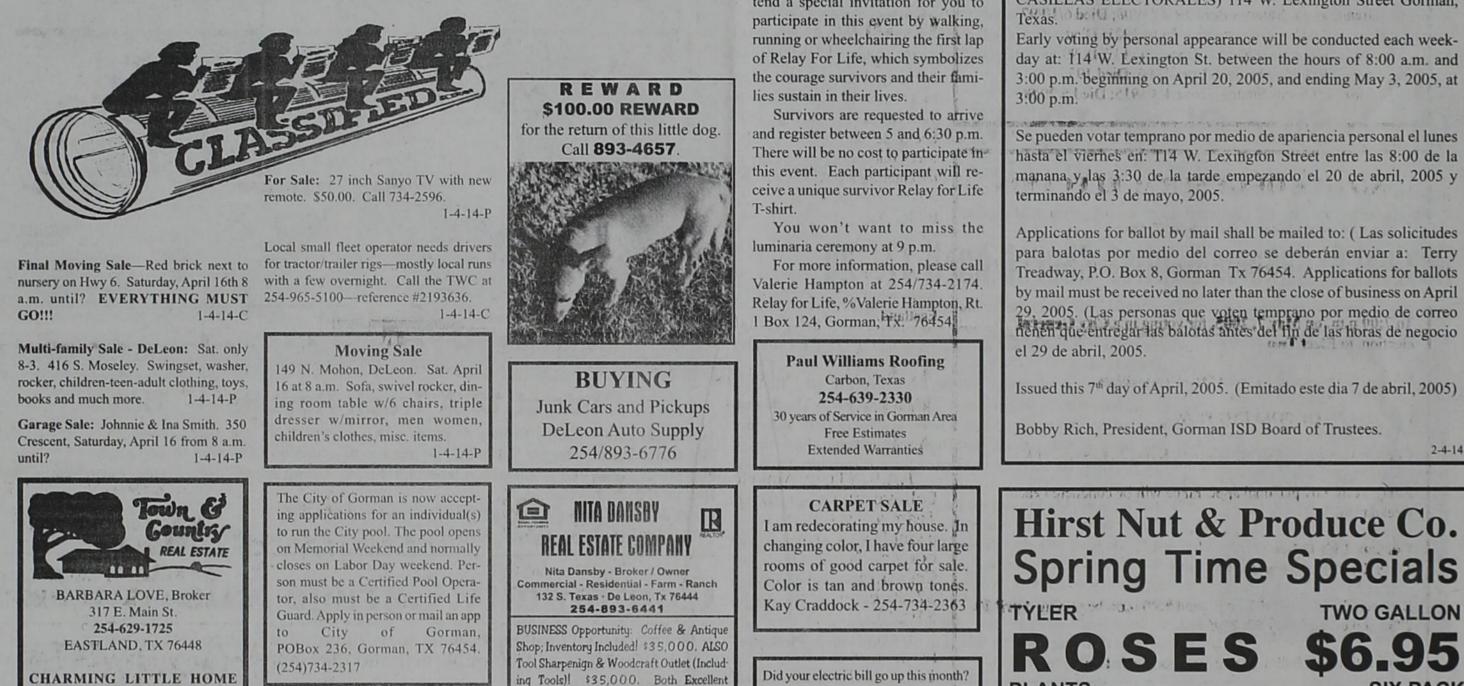
Thank you for supporting the American Cancer Society Relay For Life of Eastland County this way. Eastland County Relay For Life Committee



John and La Tonne enjoyed a weekend visit with their daughter, Jonna, and her children Mia, John Ruben and Layla. Blessed with beautiful spring weather, we played outside for hours.

A special "thank you" to the people from Gorman and Carbon who attended the County Commissioners meeting last Tuesday. We appreciate each of you for taking a stand on the Unit System for our county roads. The message clearly states was, "We don't want it!"

Please call with your news-enjoy the pretty weather and be thankful for our blessings.



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### **Jimmie Don Dorsett**

Jimmie Don Dorsett, 69, of Gorman, passed away on Thursday, April 7, 2005 at the DeLeon Hospital. Graveside services were

Saturday, April 9, 2005 at the Simpson Cemetery in Eastland County with Victor Pena officiating. Also full military graveside rites conducted by Dyess Air Force.

Mr. Dorsett was born on February 19, 1936 in Gorman. He married Jeanne Ann Eaves on December 26, 1954 in Ropesville, TX. He was a retired Chief Master Sergeant in the U.S. Air Force. He joined the United States Air Force in 1954 and spent 22 years serving his Beloved Country. He served during the Korean Era. He was Commander of VFW Post 4136 in Eastland for five years. He had lived in and around Gorman for 30 years and his religion was Church of Christ.

Survivors include his wife of 50years, Jeanne Ann Dorsett of Gorman; two sons, Jimmie Dee Dorsett and wife Sharra and Johnny Dwight

### Attention Cancer Survivors

The American Cancer Society would like to honor your fight against cancer! Please join fellow survivors at the Survivor's Lap, Friday, April 29, 2005 at 7:00 p.m.

The American Cancer Society is preparing for the 2nd Annual Relay for Life at Gorman Football Stadium. This unique fundraising event is an opportunity to honor those who have survived cancer and remember those we have lost. We would like to extend a special invitation for you to

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# **Obituaries**

### Mary E. McMullen Williams

(Wright) Hodges. She married Ar-

in death in 1994. She was a home-

McMullen and wife, Mary of

Melrose, NM; sister, Vocile Warren

of Carlsbad, NM; three grandchil-

dren, Jerry Frasier and wife Nora of

Corpus Christi, Jo Carey and hus-

band, Dan of Midlothian and Freida

Harrison and husband, Harold of

Combine; five grandchildren and

She was preceded in death by one

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three great-great grandchildren.

brother and six sisters.

Survivors include a daughter,

Mary E. McMullen Williams, late Dennis Hodges and Mary age 95 of Gorman passed away Tuesday, April 5, 2005 at the De- chie McMullen in 1925 in Comanche Leon Hospital. Services were County. He preceded her in death in Thursday, April 7, 2005 at the Hig- 1961. She later married Jay Williams ginbotham Funeral home Chapel in 1963 in Gorman. He preceded her with Durwood Webb officiating, assisted by Doyle Corder and maker and a member of the Church Bryan Borden. Interment was at of Christ. the Oaklawn Cemetery.

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Mrs. Williams was born March Maxine Frasier of DeLeon; son, Fred 5, 1910 in Comanche County to the

Dorsett and wife Phyllis, all of Desdemona; daughter Jalynn Annette Cox and husband Ed of Gorman; grandsons Bobby Cox and wife Heather of Gorman;-Chris Cox and wife Mary Ann of Waco; and Josh Cox of Gorman; one great-granddaughter Caroline Cox of Waco; one brother Mickey Dorsett and wife Pat of Deer Park, TX and many nieces and nephews.

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RESOLUTION

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To the Registered Voters of the Gorman Independent School District: (A los votantes registrados del Distrito Escolar Independiente de Gorman:) Notice is hereby given that the polling place listed below will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., on May 7, 2005, for voting in a trustee election, to elect two trustees for regular three year terms and one trustee for a term ending May 2006. (Se dan anuncios que las casillas electorales citadas abajo se abrirán desde las 7:00 de la mañana hasta las 7:00 de la tarde, el 7 de mayo 2005, para votar en una elección de síndicos, para elegir dos síndicos por términos regulares de tres anos y un sindico por un termino que terminara en may 2006.) Starting ! !!

### LOCATION OF POLLING PLACE (DIRECCION DE LAS CASILLAS ELECTORALES) 114 W. Lexington Street Gorman,

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The Rock Bluff Cemetery cleaning will be Saturday April 16. Due to a conflict with other cemetery cleanings we are changing our clean up date. We hope this help. The weather should be cooler. Look forward to seeing you there. Bring a lunch, chairs, and tools or just come for a visit. **Rock Bluff Cemetery Association** 

### ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS CITY OF GORMAN, TEXAS TCDP # 724311

Separate sealed bids for WATER and SEWER SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS will be received by the CITY of GORMAN, TEXAS until 10:00 A.M., April 25, 2005 at City Hall, 116 S. Kent Street, Gorman, Texas 76454, and then at said location publicly opened and read aloud.

This TCDP project consists of furnishing and installing sewer system improvements as follow 2760 LF of 6" SDR 35 PVC, 1100 LF 4" SDR 26 PVC Force Main Sewer Line, 460 LF of 8" SDR 26 PVC at the WWTP, 4 concrete manholes, clean-outs, service connections (without the service lines), two lift stations, and incidentals.

The Contract Documents, consisting of Advertisement for Bids, Information for Bidders, Bid Proposal, Contract, General Conditions, Notice of Award, Notice to Proceed, Plans, Specifications, and Addenda (if any) may be examined at the following locations:

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Bids will not be received from contractors who have not obtained original plans and specifications from Jacob & Martin. Bids shall be submitted on original documents and the entire specification book must be returned with bid. No faxes or copies of bid sheets will be accepted.

The Owner reserves the right to waive any informalities and to reject any or all bids. Bids may be held by the Owner for a period not to exceed 60 days from the date of bid opening for the purpose of reviewing the bids and investigating the qualifications of Bidders prior to awarding of the contract.

Copies of the Contract Documents may be obtained from Peggy or Karen at Jacob & Martin, Ltd., 3465 Curry Lane, Abilene, Texas 79606 (325-695-1070), upon payment of \$40.00 (non-refundable) for half-size.

A certified check or bank draft, payable to the order of the City of Gorman, negotiable U.S. Government bonds (at par value) or a satisfactory Bid Bond executed by the Bidder and an acceptable surety in an amount equal to five percent (5%) of the total bid shall be submitted with

Bidder's attention is called to the fact that not less than the federally determined prevailing wage rate, as issued by the Office of Rural Community Affairs and as set forth in the Contract Documents, must be paid on this project, and that the Contractor must ensure that employees and applicants for employment are not discriminated against because of their race, color, religion, sex ational origin

> CITY OF GORMAN, TEXAS By: # ROBERT ERVIN

Date: April 9, 2005

### Do You Know These People?

If you have any information on the children of these people, please contact:

### Marold Fritts Gorman Milling 254-734-2252

Walter Owens-Died 7/30/85 in Gorman Doyle Owens-Born 2/26/1924; Died 2/16/87 Winnie Owens Isbell-Born 7/18/1919; Died 10/28/90 Irene Owens Stuart-Born 10/24/1908; Died 6/10/97 James Lewis Owens-Born 1921; Died Mary Ann Owens-Born; Died 12/18/99 Willie C. Owens-Born 1906; Died 1935 Mozelle Owens Stuart-Born 4/8/1915: Died 5/29/96

## **Thank You**

THANK YOU to the person, who wishes to remain anonymous, for the generous donation of \$500. This donation is to (and will be used for) the Bass Lake Restoration Projects as requested by the donor.

At the present time, Bass Lake and Drank Gray Park are available for your picnics and parties, come and enjoy and give us your suggestions as to how we can improve it even more.

This is another community project by Gorman G.R.O.W. (Gathering and Restoring Our Wealth.

Financed by private and business donations in our community. Mike Brudnak, Treasurer 254/734-4248

## Letter To **The Editor**

After attending the school board meeting last night [Monday], I need to make a correction about auditorium lights. The thirty thousand dollars is to be spent for stage lights. Johnson- 1st place with a time of How often will they be used?

meeting to beg once again for band instruments to replace the ones being held together with duct tape. She said they could be purchased for nine thousand dollars paid out over a three year period. She got no response again from the board. These would be used everyday.

There is something wrong with this picture or do we just chose not to see it?

s/ Sue Spivey

## **Prison Sentence For Possession Of Drugs**

Jimmy Joe St. Clair, Jr., age 28, formerly of Temple, was sentenced to 15 months confinement in a Texas Department of Criminal Justice State Jail Facility by 91st District Court Judge Steven Herod after entering a plea of guilty to the offense of Possession of a Controlled Substance, Methamphetamine, less than one gram

### THE GORMAN PROGRESS

## **District Junior High Track and Field Results**

APRIL 14, 2005

### 7th Grade Boys

Shot Put - Cliffton Lipson - 15 place with a throw of 35'6 5/8". Taylor Chew - 2nd place with a throw of 31' 5 1/8", James Brown -3rd place with a throw of 30' 4 1/4"

Long Jump - Tyler Johnson -1<sup>st</sup> place with a jump of 15' 11/2", Ernest Rodriguez - 2nd place with a jump of 14' 6 3/4"

High Jump - Ernest Rodriguez 1st place with a jump of 4'4", Taylor Chew - 2nd place with a jump of 4'4"

Discus - Tyler Johnson - 1st place with a throw of 85' 8", James Brown - 3rd place with a throw of 77' 9", Jonathan Flores - 5th place with a throw of 65' 2 1/2"

400 Meter Relay-1st place with a time of 52.96 sec.- Taylor Chew, Clifton Lipson, Ernest Rodriguez, and Tyler Johnson.

800 Meter Run - Justin Little -1st place with a time of 2:46.00 sec., Ben Burgess - 2<sup>nd</sup> place with a time points.

100 Meter Dash- Tyler 12.99 sec., Chance Williams - 6th The band director was at the place with a time of 15.94 sec.

> 800 Meter Relay - 4th place with a time of 2:14.68 sec. -Jonathan Flores, Ben Burgess, Justin Little, and Chance Williams.

> 400 Meter Dash- Ernest Rodriguez - 2<sup>nd</sup> place with a time of 65.16 sec., Cliffton Lipson - 3rd place with a time of 68.28 sec.

> 200 Meter Dash - Taylor Chew - 2<sup>nd</sup> place with a time of 28.87 sec., Chance Williams - 6th place with a time of 33.43sec.

1600 Meter Run - Ben Burgess - 2<sup>nd</sup> place with a time of 7:35.41 sec.

1600 Meter Relay- 1st place wit



Back Row (L-R) Ernest Rodriguez, James Brown, Cliffton Lipson, Taylor Chew. Middle Row (L-R) Alex Giles, Jonathan Flores, Tyler Johnson. Front Row (L-R) Ben Burgess, Chance Williams, Justin Little.

a time of 4:29.75 sec. - Taylor Chew, Cliffton Lipson, Ernest Rodriguez, Tyler Johnson.

\*\*\* The 7th grade boys track team took 2nd place over all with 175

#### 8th Grade Boys

Shot Put - Tyson Swanner - 3rd place with a throw of 30' " High Jump - Gabriel Burt - 3rd place with a jump of 4' 10".

Discus - Tyson Swanner - 3rd place with a throw of 100' 1", Matt Underwood - 4th place with a throw of 97' 3".

2400 Meter Run - Matthew Cogburn - 6th place with a time of 13:15.18

400 Meter Relay- 3rd place with a time of 52.96 sec. - Tyson Swanner, Matt Underwood, Gabriel Burt, Martin Ramirez.

800 Run - Tyson Swanner - 5th place with a time of 2:42.50 sec., Nathan Wilson - 6th place with a time of 2:54.75 sec.

100 Meter Dash - Martin Ramirez - 4th place with a time of 13.46 sec., Matt Underwood - 5th place with a time of 13.47sec.

400 Meter Dash - Gabriel Burt - 2nd place with a time of 66.12 sec., Nathan Wilson - 4th place with a time of 70.75 sec., Tyson Swanner - 5th place with a time of 73.43 sec.

200 Meter Dash - Matt Underwood - 2nd place with a time of 26.68 sec., Martin Ramirez - 3rd place with a time of 27.15 sec.

\*\*\*The 8<sup>th</sup> grade boys track team took 3<sup>rd</sup> place over all with 82 points.





of 3:02.15 sec.

### **NOTICE OF GENERAL ELECTION**

To the Registered Voters of Gorman, Texas:

Notice is hereby given that the polling places listed below will be open from 7:00 a.m.

To 7:00 p.m. on May 7, 2005, for voting in a City General election, to Elect Two

**Commissioners and Vote on One Proposition.** 

LOCATION OF POLLING PLACE

Gorman Community Center - 118 S. Kent St., Gorman, TX

Early Voting by personal appearance will be conducted each weekday at

**Gorman City Office** 116 S. Kent St., Gorman, TX

Between the hours of 8:00 a,m, and 5:00 p.m. beginning April 20, 2005 and ending May 03, 2005

Applications for ballot by mail shall be mailed to:

**City of Gorman** Attn: Tacy Warren or Debra Clark P.O. Box 236 Gorman, TX 76454

Applications for ballot by mail must be received no later than the close of business on April 29, 2005.

Issued this the 14th day of April, 2005.

Tacy K. Warren

**Presiding Officer** 

"Specializing In All Types Custom Farming" Hay Baling - Custom Plowing - Sprigging - Planting - Brillion Seeding



St. Clair was represented by defense attorney Chad Edgington of Eastland. BURN 124 LINE

## T.A.B. Selling **Tickets** For An Arbor

T.A.B. (True American Believers) Relay for Life Team are selling tickets on a single seat arbor. The arbor can be seen at Texas **Creations.** Tickets are \$2.00 each or six (6) for **\$10.00**.

You can purchase tickets from any member of the T.A.B. Team (Ashley Laminack, Renee' & Todd Early, Mindy Laminack, Lisa Keeping, Jill Torrez, or Becky Laminack).

All money goes to the American Cancer Society.

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#### THE GORMAN PROGRESS

### APRIL 14, 2005

### **Daniel and Cosette Keeping Participate in Pro-Youth Rodeo**

Photos by "Phifer"

## 4th Grade Girls Basketball Champions

The Gorman 4th grade girls participated in the Lingleville Basketball Tournament on March 21st, 22nd, and 24th. After two very hard fought games, the girls emerged victorious-which led them into the finals.

They defeated Morgan mill to take home the first place medals. Congratulations girls on having a very successful season. It was a pleasure being your coach.



Champions: L-R, back row-Rachel Tucker, Dalila Hipolito, Taylor Bouchier, Ashlea Burt; front row, L-R-Megan Stewart and Jenna Bullock



A special thanks to Shyann Rainey and Melissa Ramirez for filling in for an injured player during our final game.

## **Criminal Mischief Nets Man Prison Sentence**

Jay Allen Jones, age 22, formerly of Ranger, was sentenced to 18 months confinement in a Texas Department of Criminal Justice State Jail Facility and ordered to pay \$5,184.00 in restitution by 91st District Court Judge Steven Herod after entering a plea of guilty to the offense of Criminal Mischief.

Jones and another person had rented a home from a Ranger resident and upon vacating the residence, the two did substantial damage to it. Jones was recently sentenced in Palo Pinto County to 8 years confinement for a probation revocation for the offense of Deadly Weapon in a Penal Institution.

Jones was represented at the hearing in the 91st District Court by local defense attorney Chad Edgington.

## **Jury Convicts Man of Manslaughter**

This past week, twelve citizens, sitting as jurors in the 91st District Court, convicted and sentenced RONNIE BERNARD JORDAN, 48, a former resident of the Morton Valley area, to 8 years confinement in the Institutional Division of the Texas Department of Criminal Justice with a \$2,500.00 fine. The jury found that Jordan recklessly caused the death of James Warren Odom, by shooting him with a gun and convicted him of the offense of Manslaughter. The Texas Penal Code states that a person acts recklessly, or is reckless, with respect to circumstances surrounding his conduct or the result of his conduct when he is aware of but consciously disregards a substantial and unjustifiable risk that the circumstances exist or the result will occur. Jordan had been previously indicted by an Eastland County Grand Jury for Murder.

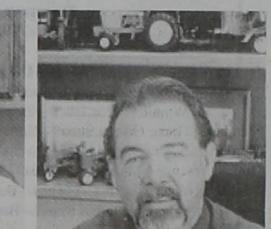
The Pro-Youth Rodeo held its latest event on Friday, April 8 and Saturday, April 9, 2005. Daniel and Cosette Keeping of Gorman were local participants. Cosette rode in the Barrel Flag and Ribbon Goat events, however due to stiff competition she failed to score in the top ten. Daniel placed tenth in the age five and under stick horse race and took second in the eight and under calf riding event. This follows his third place finish in the eight and under calf riding event in the Pro-Youth Rodeo on March 19, 2005 in Stephenville. The next rodeo will be held on April 22 and 23



## **Andrew Kinser and Mark Nowlin Elected to FNB Board of Directors**

Edward Leatherwood, Chairman of Board has announced the election of Andrew Kinser and Mark Nowlin to the bank's Board of Directors. Andrew Kinser, Vice-President /Sr. Lending Officer has been with the bank since 1990. Mark Nowlin, Vice-President / Banking Center Executive has been with the bank since 1988. Kinser is primarily involved with Loan Portfolio Management and Legal Regulatory matters. Nowlin is the Banking Center Executive at the Bank's DeLeon facility. He is primarily involved in Lending and Business Relations. Kinser earned a BBA degree in banking & finance from East Texas State University. Nowlin earned a BBA degree in business from Tarleton State University. First National Bank is an independent locally owned community bank, with banking offices in Dublin, DeLeon and Gustine Texas. MEMBER FDIC





James Warren Odom, 38, was the stepson of Jordan and died on March 27, 2004, as a result of a gunshot wound to the chest sustained during an argument between the two men.

## **Neugebauer Announces Congressional Art Competition**

Congressman Randy Neugebauer announced Friday that he is now accepting entries for the 2005 Congressional Art Competition.

"The Congressional Art Competition is a great opportunity for students from the 19th District to showcase their artistic ability in the nation's Capitol for people from all across America to see," Neugebauer said. "I encourage all eligible students to participate and wish them the best of luck."

The piece that wins the competition will be sent to Washington, D.C. to be displayed in the United States Capitol. The winning artist will receive an offer from the Savannah (Ga.) College of Art and Design for a \$3,000 per year Artistic Honors Scholarship. Additionally, the second, third and fourth place winners' works will be placed on display in Neugebauer's Lubbock, Abilene, and Big Spring offices.

The competition is open to all high school students. Students must submit their entries to their schools' art department or the appropriate teacher. The teacher or department will then send one digital photograph of the work, along with a release form, to Neugebauer's office no later than Friday, May 13. All submitted works will then be evaluated by a panel of impartial judges from the 19th District based on creativity and conformity to House regulations.

U.S. Congressman Vito Fossella is the co-chairman of this year's competition. The artwork must meet certain requirements, which can be found on his website (www.house.gov/fossella).

Any additional questions regarding the competition should be directed to Ryan Crumpler in Neugebauer's

Lubbock office by calling 806-763-1611 (toll free at 888-763-1611). TEXAS COUNT

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### **Empty Plastic Pesticide Containers** (High pressure or triple rinsed.) Please have lids and paper instructions removed.

## Used Motor Oil and Oil Filters

There is a limit of two 55-gallon drums per participant for oil filter recycling. Oil and filters will not be accepted from businesses that change oil for a fee. Also accepted: crank case oil, transmission fluids, brake fluids and power steering fluids.

Mark Nowlin

## Neugebauer Discusses Ag Budget, **WTO with Secretary Johanns**

Congressman Randy Neugebauer met with U.S. Agriculture Secretary Mike Johanns Wednesday afternoon to discuss budget and trade issues important to Big Country and West Texas producers. The need to avoid making changes mid-stream to programs enacted by the 2002 Farm Bill was at the top of Neugebauer's list of topics.

"My goal going into today's meeting was to make sure Secretary Johanns had a full understanding of the impact that the Administration's proposals would have on farmers and ranchers in the 19th District," Neugebauer said. "By drastically changing some of the Farm Bill's commodity programs, a lot of farmers who put business plans into effect based on that policy are going to be put in a real tough spot.'

In February, the Bush Administration sent a budget proposal to Congress that could reduce as much as 30% the amount of financial support any one farmer could receive from the federal government. As the 19th district is home to many larger cotton and peanut farms, these proposed changes would dramatically affect local producers' abilities to break even financially, especially during a year with low crop yields or low commodity prices.

In March, Congress began to work on next year's federal budget. Whether or not changes in farm support payments go into effect will depend on debates that will play out in the House and the Senate over the coming months.

Neugebauer also received an update from Johanns regarding the ongoing trade negotiations to reopen the Japanese market to American beef products. The two officials also discussed possible next steps the Administration could take in response to a World Trade Organization (WTO) ruling against the federal government's support of cotton producers.

"I stressed to Secretary Johanns the importance of reaching trade agreements that treat our farmers fairly," Neugebauer said. "I strongly believe that our efforts that allow our cotton farmers to compete on a level playing field in the world marketplace are in full compliance with WTO requirements. And the measures we've taken to protect our beef supply against BSE exceed international standards. I told the Secretary that I would help in any way that I can to resolve these two issues."

# **Spring Has Sprung Throughout The Heritage Trail Regions**

In Texas, wildflowers are a passion and their dazzling display is a feast for the eyes. The Lone Star state is home to more than 5,000 species of wildflowers dotting roadsides and blanketing fields. Sprinkles of yellow buttercups, red Indian paint brushes, pink ladies and seas of bluebonnets are everywhere.

Spring is the ideal time to explore your local area's heritage while enjoying the spectacular show of wildflowers along the way. Enjoy these Texas treats by exploring the Texas Historical Commission's (THC) heritage regions. Each heritage region has its own unique palette of wildflowers to enjoy. The Texas Brazos Heritage Trail Region is colored with fire wheels, the Texas Forts Trail Region is canvassed with Indian paintbrushes and the Texas Forest Trail Region with dazzling dogwoods and wild azaleas. Yellow buttercups color the Texas Independence Trail Region and magnificent Mexican hats are found in the Texas Lakes Trail Region.

### Lead-Acid Batteries (Car, boat, tractor, etc.)

### 8:00 a.m. to Noon

May 17, 2005 Winters

> Diamond B Accessories 1400 S. Main

Contact: Marty Gibbs, 325/365-2219 May 18, 2005 Brownwood

**Brown County** Fairgrounds Hwy. 377 South

Contact: Scott Anderson, 325/646-0386 May 19, 2005 Wall

Wall COOP Gin 9194 Loop 570 off Hwy. 87 East

Contact: Steve Sturtz, 325/659-6524

The heritage regions are all part of the THC's regional tourism initiative, the Texas Heritage Trials Program. The program encourages people to venture out and rediscover the state's historic and cultural wonders. This successful program capitalizes on the economic impact of heritage tourism -- a \$40 billion a year industry: For free heritage trail brochures call 866/276-6219 or visit www.thc.state.tx.us/ travel. For additional information on Texas travel events and vacation destinations, visit www.TravelTex.com or for a free Texas State Travel Guide call 1-800-8888-TEX.

The Texas Historical Commission is the state agency for historic preservation. The agency administers a variety of programs to preserve the archeological, historical and cultural resources of Texas.

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# **Desdemona News**

BY VONNIE GUTHERY

Desdemona Cemetery Association will hold the annual meeting on Saturday, April 16 at the First Baptist Church annex. Business meeting to begin at 11 a.m. Bring food for the noon meal.

Phillip Pack of Slaton visited the past weekend with his mother, Dixie Pack and sister, Vivian Menzel.

Belinda (Guthery) Webb received head injury last Thursday afternoon and spent about five hours in the Eastland Hospital emergency room. She is at home and doing much better-but not able to work at this time.

Charlotte (Joiner) Parker of DeLeon is in the DeLeon Hospital at this time. She has been having health problems for a while.

Jane (Clark) Guthery of Irving remains a patient in the Baylor-Irving Hospital with serious health problems.

Roy Powledge of Eastland spent Wednesday night through Friday in the Hendrick Hospital in Abilene for several tests, etc. He is a son-in-law of Karen Eaves in Desdemona.

Remember these on the sick list with your cards and prayers. Also the shut-ins and those from our area who are in the local rest homes.

Robert Alton Brown of Fort Worth visited last Sunday with his parents, Robert and Ima Brown. Thought for today- "If you haven't met the Devil face to face-Maybe you are going the same way he is." Have a nice day.

#### **School Menu** Week of April 18

#### Breakfast

Monday -- Cereal, yogurt, milk, juice Tuesday--Breakfast burritos, oranges, milk, juice

Wednesday -- Sausage pancake, apples, .milk, juice Thursday--Eggs, biscuits, milk, juice Friday--Sausage, gravy, biscuits, milk, juice

Lunch

Monday--Steakfingers, gravy, potatoes, green beans, biscuits, milk Tuesday-Nachos, salad, fruit, peanut butter bars, milk Wednesday -- Chicken nuggets, au gratin potatoes, peas, gravy, biscuits, milk Thursday--Burritos, chili cheese, salad, Spanish rice, milk Friday--Cheese burgers, fries, fruit, milk

## **Gorman ISD Regular Board Meeting (draft)**

#### Minutes April 11, 2005

The Board of Trustees of the Gorman ISD met in Regular Session in the High School Library, Gorman, Texas at 7:00 PM on April 1, 2005.

Jeff Seaton gave the invocation.

Quorum was present and President Bobby Rich called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

Members present : Bobby Rich, Jeff Seaton, Beth Underwood, Melinda Harrington, and Mark Simmons Members absent: none

Others present: Leslie Vann

Visitors present: Kenneth Heathington, Betty Heathington, David Freeman, Jim and Donnie Rodgers, Tim Dennis, Gene Smith, Cheryl Smith, Shirley Good, Tim Swanner, Sue Spivey, Melody Vann, Lisa Deel, Martha Harrington, Peyton Vaughn, Lisa Laminack, Crystal Snider, Penny Brister, and Linda Newsom

## EDC TALK

Last year, the Gorman EDC collected approximately \$22,000 off of the 4B sales tax. It has been about that same amount every year we have had the tax in place. If you read the article from a couple of weeks ago, you saw that having the EDC in place brought over \$1,000,000 in goods and services to your community with no cost to the citizens or very little cost to the City itself. Passing the 4A sales tax would enable a wider variety of projects, and allow for more accumulation of funds to help either bring businesses in and/or assist the ones we already have in place.

If you missed the article regarding grants awarded to Gorman in the past few years, here is a re-print.

Feb. 15, 2005-Several weeks ago during a City Commission meeting, the Gorman EDC gave a review of grants that had been received since hiring a director and operating an active Economic Development Corporation in 2000. After that review, it was mentioned that it would be good to publish these awards in the paper, so that the community could indeed see what the current 4B Sales Tax funds are used for. Some of the grants required a match which came from the Sales Tax funds; some were 100% free to the community but the sales tax paid the director's salary, therefore contributing to the income indirectly.

Here are the grants and totals since receiving our first grant in February 2001 through July 2004:

	WCTCOG	Community Clean up	1,000
	CJD	Police Dept. cameras, etc.	11,000
	WCTCOG	Brush Chipper	32,000
	Leon RC&D	Community Improvements	4,000
	TP&WD	Bass Lake Project	6,100
	TIF	Community Network	525,000
	ORCA	MUCSMIP/Dr. Dan	50,000
	HHSC	Computer Access for the Disabled	289,000
	ORCA	AED for Gorman VFD	2,000
	WCTCOG	Environment Officer	12,000
	WCTCOG	Solid Waste Management	20,000
	TOTAL GRANT FUNDS Added matching funds (cash only)		\$952,100
			\$51,200

#### TOTAL GRANT IMPROVEMENTS

All these things came into your community, raising the quality of life for you and your family, and didn't cost you anything more than ° of ONE cent (to the dollar) when you and others shopped locally.

An economic development sales tax-properly administrated-can be a good thing for a small rural community. It brings improvements without having to have significant tax increases to your property.

## **The Price of Control**

At a DeLeon ISD School Board meeting on Monday night, April 11, the DeLeon Board of Trustees voted unanimously to sell the Desdemona School property with the exception of a small tract reserved for the voluntary fire department. The property will be sold on a sealed bid basis after a legal appraisal and proper publication criteria are met, according to their legal attorney.

The property became a legal liability and problem for DeLeon ISD after a suit was filed against the Community Center Board of Trustees to prevent any changes or renovation to the building. Since then, the DeLeon ISD has leased it to the group who filed the lawsuit against the original trustees.

In the final analysis, everyone lost by this action. The DeLeon ISD and the original board of trustees had many legal fees connected with the suit. The group that leased the property had their own agenda, (control), and the Desdemona Community lost a place to have community functions. Sometimes, the price of having control will sink the ship.

s/ Leo Williams

by Leo Williams

\$1,003,300 IN THREE YEARS

- Pledge of Allegiance
- 4) Open forum: Betty Heathington, Gene Smith, Kenneth Heathington, Penny Brister. (see insert) 5) Minutes

Bobby Rich moved that the minutes for the March 14 and March 28, 2005 meetings be approved. Seconded by Jeff Seaton. Aye-5; No-0

### 6) Approve Disbursements

Beth Underwood moved that the Board approve the payment of disbursements as presented. Seconded by Melinda Harrington. Aye-5; No-0

7) Approve Payroll

Melinda Harrington moved that the Board approve the current monthly payroll. Seconded by Jeff Seaton.

### 8) Board Information

- a. Fund Balance (see attachment)
- b. Tax Office Report (see attachment)
- c. Principal/AD report
  - 1. Calendar of Activities
  - 2. Enrollment
  - 3. UIL Events/Athletic Events
- d. Superintendent's report

1. Mr. Vann reported that the Lamar Superintendents Academy Board Training Session is scheduled to begin Friday, April 22 at 1:00 pm and will run through Sunday. The training session will focus on Team Building and School Improvement.

2. The second item information on the job postings for Kindergarten, 5-6th Math, Band, and Girls Basketball/Teacher positions.

3. The final information item presented was only one bid had been received to date for the auditorium stage lighting project.

### 9) Policy Update

Mark Simmons moved that the Board add, revise, or delete (LOCAL) policies as recommended by TASB Policy Service and according to the Instruction Sheet for TASB Localized Policy Manual Update 74 (see insert).

Seconded by Jeff Seaton

Aye-5; No-0

10) Student Transfers

Melinda Harrington moved that the Board approve the student transfers listed as presented. (see insert) Seconded by Jeff Seaton. Aye-5; No-0

11) The meeting adjourned at 7:39 pm with a motion from Mark Simmons and a second from Jeff Seaton.

## City Minutes, Unofficial — April 7, 2005

The Gorman City Commission met on the above date. Those present were Mayor Robert Ervin, Mayor Pro Tem Nathan Files, Commissioners Joe Casey, Charlie Torrez, and Durward Webb. Others present were Denver Rainey, and Lori Dodd.

Joe Casey led the opening prayer followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and the Texas Pledge.

Durward made the motion to approve the minutes as read with a second by Nathan. Motion carried 4-0. Joe made the motion to approve the bills for payment. Nathan made a second and the motion carried 4-0. Denver Rainey was present for Citizens In Put. Denver had purchased some mobile homes which he wants

to use for rental property. His was concerned after he was informed that the Commission had passed an ordinance pertaining to the moving and installation of mobile homes. The ordinance (Ordinance #2003-04) states that the mobile home should not be more than 20 years old. Denver indicated that he didn't have a title for the mobile homes and did not know the manufactured date or age of the mobile home. Denver also stated that Gorman has a need for low income rental housing. The Commission agreed, but wanted to do some further studying of the Ordinance and situation. Denver expressed he would work with the City and the July 11 and end August 11. Commission expressed thanks for his attendance.

Lori Dodd was present to give the EDC report. Lori relayed to the Commission that she had received several calls or emails expressing an interest for putting a business in here in Gorman. Lori had previously applied for a grant for the municipal judge, Vicki Seay. This grant would apply for the purchase of software and equipment for municipal use. Nathan informed the Commission that Vicki had notified him that the grant had been approved, and needed the approval for acceptance from the Commission. Durward made a motion

## **NHS Participate in Great State of Texas Trash Off**

On a beautiful April 2nd morning, 10 out of the 14 National Honor Society members participated in the Great State of Texas Trash Off. These 10 students picked up a total of 250 pounds of roadside trash. Among the trash were 3 boots, 1 brand new slip, bottles, and of course BOXES. Cleaning up boxes after they have been dissolved is the most time-consuming effort. Not only did we have fun picking up trash, we met some new friends along the way (in the form of goats and donkeys). Among the students who participated were Clint Jones, Ashlee Hornback, Kent Long, Elizabeth Hipolito, Martha Cruz, Joanna Esquivel, Cindy Lopez, Sharla Perez, Kendra Bailey, and Mrs. Swanner.



Their efforts are greatly appreciated.

## **Mangum Baptist Church Spring Revival**

On April 24 through April 27 (Sunday through Wednesday) Mangum Baptist Church will hold its annual Spring Revival. Each service will begin at 7:00 p.m.

Brother R.D. Childers will be the revival speaker. R.D. is from Scranton, Texas and has been interim pastor at Mangum Baptist church for the last few months. You need to come hear this man preach.

Music will be provided by the duet, "Glorify." Daryl Hirst and Brenda Thomas make up the duet and their music is just wonderful. There will also be congregational music.

A nursery will be provided.

If you need an uplifting experience or need to connect or re-connect with God, here is a wonderful opportunity. If you would like to come 15 minutes early, we will hold prayer services over the revival. Men and women will each have their own prayer service.

Please come and join us as we praise God and preach His Word. Mangum Baptist Church is located between Carbon and Eastland-one and one half miles off Highway 6 on County Road 194. For more information or directions you may call 639-2357.

## **CJC Summer Registration**

Cisco Junior College's online registration is now underway for Summer I and Summer II. The last day for online registration and payment for Summer I is June 1, and online registration for Summer II ends July 11, 2005.

Course schedules are listed on the CJC website. Classes begin June 1 and end July 7. Summer II will begin

Visit the CJC website at www.cisco.cc.tx.us; click on the Student Information link; then Campus Connect for instructions on using Campus Connect's online registration process. To register for courses you must be exempt from the Texas Success Initiative or be college ready in all three areas.

For more information, call the Cisco campus at (254) 442-5000 or the Abilene Educational Center at (325)

Aye-5; No-0

to accept said grant and Charlie made a second. Motion carried 4-0.

New and Old Business, Nathan made the motion to amend the 2004-05 Budget, Fire Dept. Expense by \$13,228.51. Joe made a second and the motion carried 4-0.

Charlie made the motion to hire Efrin Pacheco, part-time two days a week, @ \$8.00 per hour, till further notice, with no benefits, to work with the City maintenance. Durward made a second and the motion carried 4-0. Robert will contact him. Final decisions will be at the next meeting.

carried 4-0. Don wants to have more time to enjoy his retirement.

No applications have been submitted for operating the city pool this season. Tacy will place an ad in the Stephenville paper. The operator must complete a Certified Pool Operator course successfully or already be a CPO, and also must be a Certified Lifeguard. Courses are generally only offered during the Spring time of the year.

Robert stated that the Gorman Grow had met and agreed to purchase a 6' chain link fence to enclose the 3827; Food Booth: Brenda Harrison (254) 442-1602 new basketball court. Also donations are accumulating for an awning to be constructed in the city park. Gorman Grow expressed an interest in other projects. The Commission agreed that they would be responsible for initiation and all finances for future projects and that the City has final say and approval of the project and locations. The Commission expressed appreciation of all volunteers in their efforts to improve and promote Gorman.

#### Nathan will be overseeing most such projects.

There being no further business for discussion Joe made the motion to adjourn with a second from Charlie. Motion carried 4-0. Time was 7:25 p.m.

#### 794-4400.

# **Cisco Folklife Festival**

As the Cisco Folklife Festival, scheduled for April 23 & 24 comes near, the committee Joe made the motion to accept Don Underwood's resignation. Charlie made a second and the motion chairladies are busy finalizing details. There are still a few additional spaces available for vendors and food booth fund raisers.

> The entertainment schedule is looking interesting, hosting some local talent and several groups from the surrounding area. The ladies of Cisco Civic League invite area vendors and charitable organizations to participate in this year's Folklife Festival.

Contact numbers are as follows: Booths for Arts and Crafts: Millie Lewis, (254) 442-

We are currently sending information to various media in the area including radio and T.V. Stations, as well as Internet community web calendars. You might like to check out some of these sites: www.ciscotx.com/folklife.htm www.texascountryreporter.com (Event>Panhandle Plains>April 23 & 24) Others will be added.)

For additional information, call the Cisco Chamber of Commerce (254) 442-3220; President Emma Watts (254) 442-3478; or Arlene Fry (254) 442-3330.

So, mark your calendars for April 23 & 24<sup>th</sup> and have fun at the 32<sup>nd</sup> Annual Cisco Folklife Festival.

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## **Heritage Manor News**

**By Nancy Hendricks** 

#### Who Do You Turn To?

A turn involved two things. It involved turning from one direction and turning in another direction; turning from something and turning towards something. The essence of the turn of a Christian is to turn from what this world has to offer for comfort, and turn toward god.

Who do we turn to when life poisons our cup of tea? Who do you turn. to when sickness stands in your room? Who do you turn to when trouble finds your unlisted telephone number? Who do you turn to when death knocks on your door and sits at your table? Do you turn to Oprah? Do you turn to Dr. Phil? Do you turn to your friends? Or do you turn to the Lord/ The songwriter wrote "Where could I go, but the Lord?" In order to turn to the Lord, we must turn from the world (1 Thess. 1:9)! Things that have more value in your life than God are A CAR, A HOUSE, A PERSON, MONEY...IT IS ANYTHING THAT GETS MORE ATTEN-TION THAN GOD IS YOUR GOD! We must turn from darkness. We are being called from darkness into His marvelous light (1 Peter 2:9). omeone said, "How do I get in the light and stay in the light? 1 John 1:7 ys "If we walk in the Light as He is in the light, then we have fellowb one with another."

You see, the only way to stay in the light is to stay in the church; the where the light is being spread. You must look in the house of the not the club, not the bar, not the casino, not the dope house. The in the house of the Lord! We pray, we sing, we give, we share, nmune, we love, and we praise Him.

tart bringing a friend to worship so that they can get in the Light, the Marvelous Light!

#### (provided by Laneta Freeman)

Some guests were Harold and Tody Zink, Dalton and Joy Watson of Ranger, Roy and Charlotte Johnson of Desdemona, Clyde and DeSha Johnson of Stephenville, Paul and Pat Johnson of Lubbock.

On Sunday morning, those coming from the First Baptist Church for Sunday School were Tootie Campbell and Frances Warren. Tootie taught the lesson, "Needed: Real Faith." Life question, 'How can I demonstrate my faith in God is real?' Bible passage, James 1:16-27, James 2:14-26. Key Bible verse James 2:14. There were twenty two residents present and guests Howard and Pat Hagood. A resident voiced the closing prayer.

Recent visitors were Diana Snider, Larry and DeLinda Snider, Lee and Sue Pettigrew of Desdemona, Jackie Whitlock of DeLeon, Bill Moll and Maudie Husband, Bobby and Peggy Ingram of Cisco.

ATTENTION: The April Birthday Party for residents will be April 29 at 2:30 p.m. Three residents will be honored for having April birthdays. Everyone is invited to come and be with friends and relatives.

Some visitors were Donnie and Nelda Mauney, Howard and Pat Hagood, Mary Jeffs, Frances Warren, Mozelle Boucher of Stephenville, Cecil and Rena Mae Robertson of Brownwood.

On Sunday afternoon, those coming for church from First Baptist Church were Rev. Bill and Tootie Campbell, Brent Lasater, Pam Childers, Ann Warren, Nelda Mauney, Ann Maxfield, Hunter Childers, Annie Fay Foster and guests Mr. and Mrs. Mark Landers. Brent led singing and Pam Childers played the piano. Bro. Bill's message, "Keeping people from going to hell!" Bible passage Matthew 25. A resident gave the closing prayer. There were seventeen residents present. Recent guests were Winston Brown, Bo and Anna Lee Roberts, Shaylor Roberts, Levi Roberts, Kendra Roberts, Shannon and Trinity Roberts all of Gorman, Rodney and Vickie Roberts of Stephenville, Dorothy Roberts of Desdemona, Kennard and Doylena Roberts of Gustine.

# **Kokomo News**

By Zelda Jordan

#### **REVIVAL AT KOKOMO**

17th and continue trough Wednesday, April 20th. Services on Sunday will be at 11:00 A.M. and 6:00 P.M. and Monday through Wednesday at 7:00 P.M.

Rev. James Bond of Plano will be the evangelist and the music will of Gorman and Brenda Thomas of Cisco.

Bro. Clarence Wilson, pastor, and the members of the church cordially invite the public to come and worship with them during these services. A covered dish lunch will be served in the fellowship hall follow- B.Griffith. ing the Sunday morning service.

"There Is Someone Who Cares For You" was beautifully rendered by the choir at the Sunday morning service at the Kokomo Baptist Church. The choir was directed by Woodrow Browning with Glynda Bond at the piano. Those in the choir were Crystal Snider, Sylvia Buchanan, Leona Wilson, Ruby Lee Kinser, Helen Browning, Joe Bond, and Jimmy Little. Brylee Johnson was a visitor with her grandmother, Cecilia Hirst.

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Heritage Manor residents sends "Sincere Sympathy" to Maxine Frasier of DeLeon and Fred and Mary McMullen of Melrose, NM Mexico.

Visiting were Steve Estes of Sanger, Bobby Owens of Ranger, Durward Webb, Freddie Rodgers.

"Get Well Wishes" are sent to Charlie and Linda Archer and sons who were injured in an automobile accident sometime ago. They live in Arkadelphia, Arkansas and are the children of Kenneth and Vonceia Snider of Rose Bud, Arkansas.

Some guests were Sylvia Estes, James and Mary Jesse, Lendon and Shelly Morgan of Garland.

On Thursday afternoon with 80 degree weather, it sure was a good time to have homemade ice cream. Ina Smith and Shawnah Bass helped residents make the ice cream.

On Friday morning, Pat Graham, Judy Killebrew, Jason Killebrew and Ina Smith had bingo for ten residents. The enjoyed snacks and breakfast juices.

The Sunday night service was dismissed so members could attend the A revival will begin at the Kokomo Baptist Church on Sunday, April revival services at the Lake Leon Baptist Church. A good group from Kokomo did attend the services.

Those from the Kokomo Baptist Church going to Heritage Manor in Gorman for the Sunday afternoon church service were Bro. Clarence and Leona Wilson, Woodrow Browning, Jimmy and Verna Lee Little, Joe and be directed by Glorify, the Southern Gospel Music team of Daryl Hirst Glynda Bond, Johnnie B.Griffith, Nancy Hendricks and Zelda Jordan.

Johnnie B. Griffith's brother-in-law, Elda Goodson of Freer passed away last week. We extend sincere sympathy to Johnnie B. and her family.

Joe and Elizabeth Vaughn and Zelda Jordan visited with Johnnie

Visitors with Nancy Hendricks were Laneta Freeman, Joe and Glynda Bond, Johnnie B. Griffith, Sylvia Buchanan, Daisy Slaton and Zelda Jordan.

Oren and Norma Webb enjoyed the weekend at Lake Proctor. Those joining them for a great time were Jacob Webb of Burleson, Alice Bergmark and Steven Bergmark, Randall, Kaci, Aaron and Kaelee Suniga and Louis, Valia, Chad and Kish Suniga all of Comanche. While there they celebrated Kaci's birthday.

Joe and Glynda Bond spent Wednesday night in Copperas Cove with Shannon, Stephanie, Raegan and Sydnie Bond. Raegan and Sydnie returned home with Joe and Glynda on Thursday for a visit until Saturday. Glynda, Raegan and Sydnie met Shannon in Goldthwaite on Saturday for the girls to return home with him.

Norma Webb and Zelda Jordan were in Abilene on Thursday for Zelda's check-up on her eyes. Every thing is fine, except there is a little too much pressure in the left eye. Hopefully that will be cleared up soon. They also visited with Joyce Eaves in the Eastland Hospital. We send Joyce our prayers and get well wishes.

Sincere Sympathy is extended to the family of Jimmie Don Dorsett who was buried in the Simpson Cemetery on Saturday following graveside services

Zelda Jordan attended the birthday party honoring Lora Fay Warren at Gorman on Sunday afternoon.

Sylvia Buchanan, Nancy Hendricks and Daisy Slaton enjoyed the movie "Million Dollar Baby" at Eastland on Monday night.



On Monday morning, residents were happy for Karen Guthery to come open the beauty shop and get busy.

Some visitors were Jewel Dean Morris and Bonnie D. Stewart of DeLeon, Pam Childers, Annie Fay Foster, Hunter Childers, and Edith Grumbles.

On Monday morning, Ina Smith had "Concentration" for residents.

Recent guests were Larry and Colene Barnett of Wylie, Emmitt and Kay Lynn Lasater of Eastland, Rex Kinser, Wilbur Overstreet, James and Ruby Lee Kinser.

Monday afternoon Gospel Singers coming were Woodrow and Helen Browning, Zelda Jordan, Daisy Slaton, Ruby Lee Kinser, Marjorie Treadway, Johnnie B. Griffith, Ann Warren, Winelle Browning, and Nancy Hendricks. Ruby Lee, Woodrow and Helen rendered the special music. There were eighteen residents present. Woodrow voiced the closing prayer.

Some visitors were Mark and Laura Landers of Boyd, Don Landers of Springtown, Marjorie Treadway, Judy Killebrew of DeLeon and Jason Killebrew.

Residents sure enjoyed the movie.

Some guests were Estelle Craddock, Kay Ann Craddock, Mary Margaret Hudson, Winnelle Browning, Woodrow and Helen Browning, Ann Maxfield, Virginia Skaggs.

On Tuesday morning, Ina Smith, Judy Killebrew and Jason Killebrew had bingo for a large number of residents.

Recent guests were Jerry Majors and Jaron Majors of DeLeon, Kim Ryon, Eric Ryon and Zac Ryon of Desdemona, Derenda Mentin and Lendon Shipman.

On Tuesday afternoon, Betty Duke of Desdemona came played the electric keyboard and led singing for ten residents and guests Johnnie B. Griffith and Nancy Hendricks.

Some visitors were Thomas and Vicki Seay, John and Georgia Lee Hopper of Georgetown, Brent Lasater, Daisy Slaton, Ann Maxfield.

Residents were happy to have Rose Hamilton manicure their finger nails.

Recent guests were Nell Files of Carbon, Johnnie B. Griffith of Lake Leon, Zelda Jordan, Jimmy and Verna Lee Little of Eastland.

On Wednesday, Shawna Bass had "Caring Hearts" for several residents.

Some guests were Max and Janice Grice of Brownfield, Bonnie Croft of Lake Leon, Ann Warren, Bro. Bill and Tootie Campbell.

Wednesday afternoon Judy Killebrew, Jason Killebrew and Ina Smith had 'crazy bingo.' There were ten residents present.

Recent visitors were Kelly Carruth and June Carruth of DeLeon,



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