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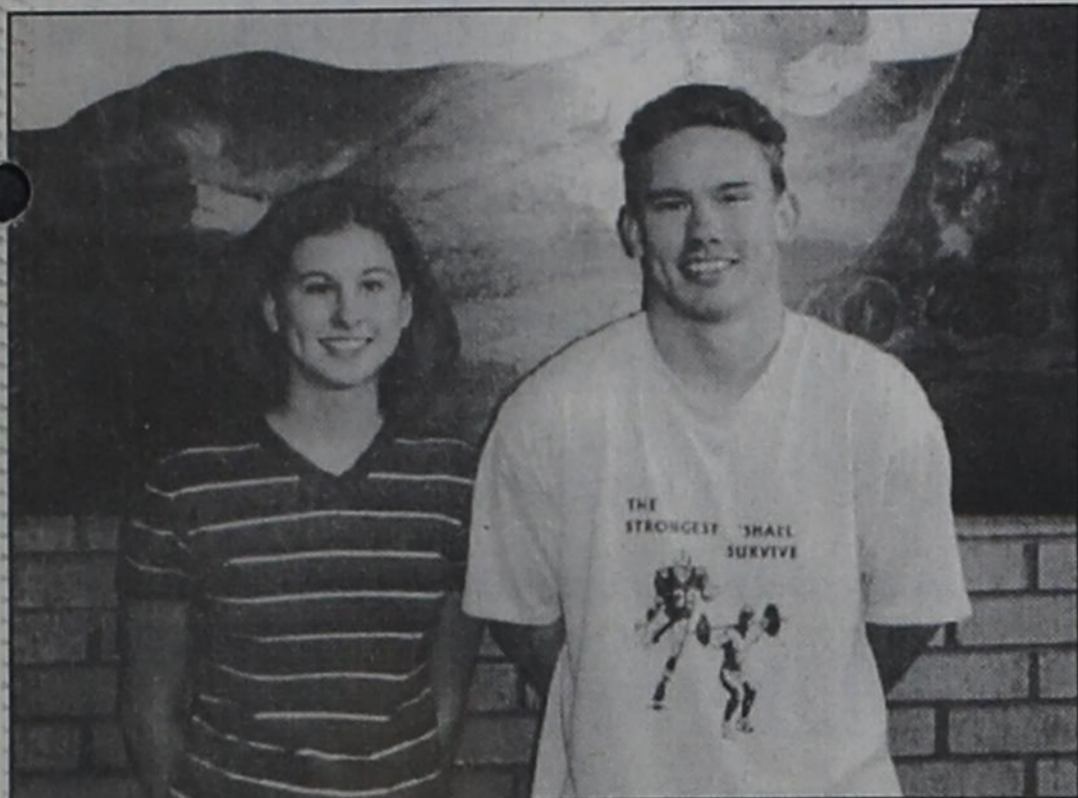
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## GORMAN STUDENTS STATE BOUND



Gorman High School students competed in the Region II-A Academic Meet at Hardin-Simmons University in Abilene on April 24-25. Students qualified for the Regional Meet by placing first, second or third at the District competition.

Jeremy Bryan and Janice Glover, both seniors, qualified for the state competition. The State Meet will be held at the University of Texas campus in Austin on May 7-9.

Janice, the daughter of Linda and David Glover, is making her third trip to the State Meet in a Journalism contest. At the Regional competition this year she placed second in News Writing, third in Feature Writing and fifth in Editorial Writing.

Jeremy, the son of Jimmie and Lory Bryan, advances to the State Meet in Computer Applications. He received third place at the Regional competition with a score of 476, only 4 points below first place.

Other students competing at Regional were:

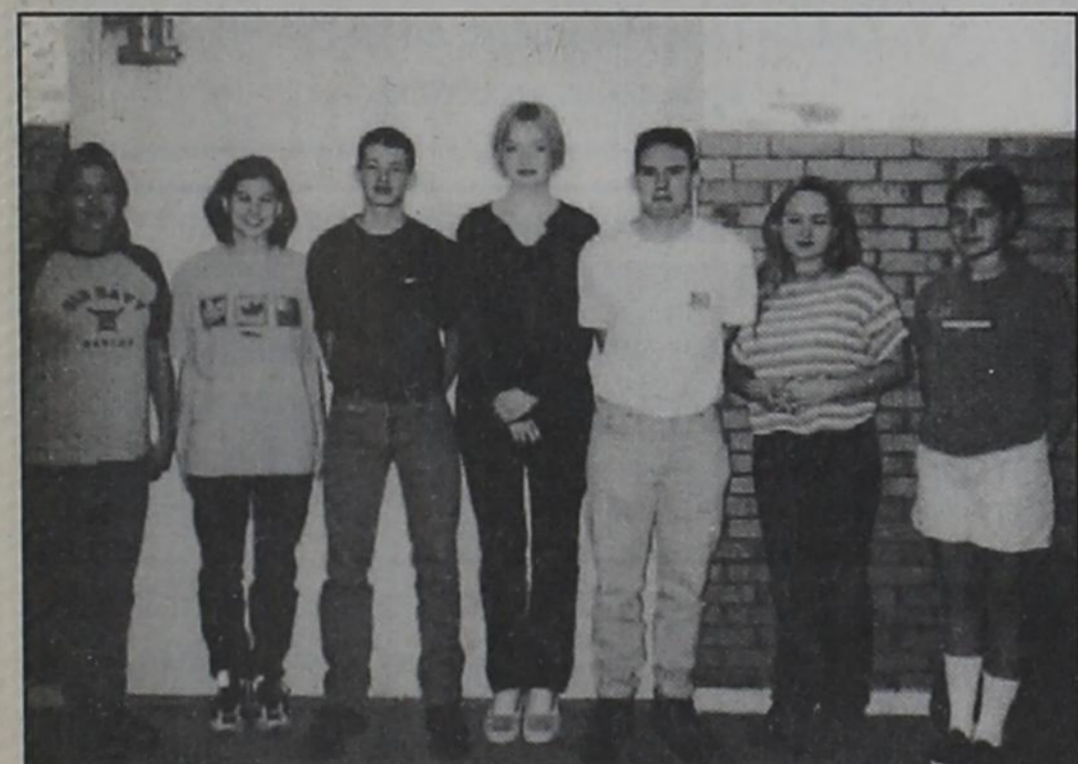
- Mark Glover, Freshman - Computer Applications, 8th place.
- Bobbie Jo Grissom, Sophomore - Ready Writing
- Mandy Harris, Senior - Prose Interpretation and Literary Criticism
- Ruth Reeves, Junior - Ready Writing

The students were taken to Regional competition by their coaches Kayla Duke, Gail Fischer, Linda Glover and Kyra McGinn.

## High School District UIL Meet Held In Lometa



**DISTRICT UIL** — Justin Burleson, Samantha Stephens, Janice Glover, Mark Glover, Jeremy Bryan, Amanda Janacek, John Paul Sheppard, Ruth Reeves, Sarah Reeves, Jessica Walton, Pam Osborne, Amy Bond, Michaelyn Eaves, Mandy Harris, Matthew Swanner, Madelyn Wilkins, Bobbie Jo Grissom, Cody Simpson, Josh Johnson and Colton Van Dusen.



**REGIONAL QUALIFIERS** — Seven students who competed at Regional contest on April 25-26 in eleven areas were: Sarah Reeves, Janice Glover, Mark Glover, Mandy Harris, Jeremy Bryan, Bobbie Jo Grissom and Ruth Reeves (not pictured).

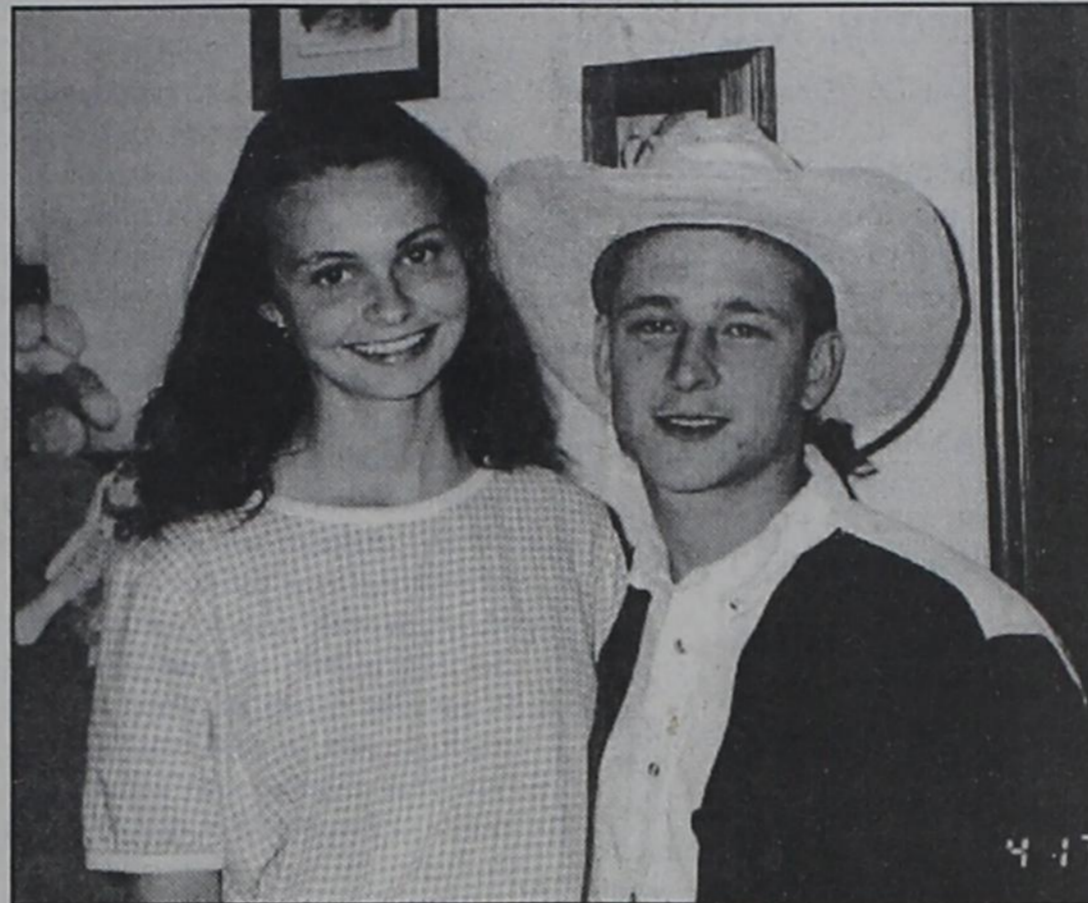
On Thursday April 2 Gorman High School participated in the 1998 District 10-A UIL Academic Meet at Lometa High School. Schools attending were: Lometa, Tolar, Baird, Lipan, Evant, Gorman, Brock, Santa Anna, Santo, and Cross Plains.

Overall Champion was Tolar High School with 279 points. Gorman High School was second with 259 points. Third place Santo High School earned 178 1/2 points.

High point individual from Gorman was Janice Glover with 49 points. Coaches for students competing this year were: Kayla Duke, Gail Fischer, Linda Glover, Kyra McGinn, Cynthia Newman and Becky Swanner.

**Calculator** - Justin Burleson - 6th; Samantha Stephens, Janice Glover and Mark Glover; **Computer Applications** - Mark Glover - 1st and (1st Place Team); Jeremy Bryan and Amanda Janacek; **Computer Science** - Amanda Janacek - 4th; Jeremy Bryan - 5th; and Justin Burleson - 6th; Mark Glover; **Current Issues and Events** - John Paul Sheppard, Ruth Reeves, Sarah Reeves and Jessica Walton; **Editorial Writing** - Janice Glover - 1st; Mark Glover - 2nd; and Pam Osborne; **Feature Writing** - Janice Glover - 1st; Bobbie Jo Grissom and Sarah Reeves; **Headline Writing** - Sarah Reeves - 1st; Mark Glover - 6th; Bobbie Jo Grissom; **Informative Speaking** - Jessica Walton - 5th; Amy Bond - 6th; Michaelyn Eaves; **Literary Criticism** - Mandy Harris - 1st; Matthew Swanner; **Mathematics** - Janice Glover - 6th and (2nd Place Team); Justin Burleson and Sarah Reeves; **News Writing** - Janice Glover - 1st; Mark Glover and Madelyn Wilkins; **Number Sense** - Justin Burleson - 5th and (2nd Place Team); Janice Glover, Samantha Stephens and Colton Van Dusen; **Persuasive Speaking** - Jeremy Bryan, John Paul Sheppard, and Bobbie Jo Grissom; **Poetry Interpretation** - Cody Simpson 4th; Bobbie Jo Grissom - 6th; **Prose Interpretation** - Mandy Harris - 1st; Madelyn Williams and Josh Johnson; **Ready Writing** - Bobbie Jo Grissom - 2nd; Ruth Reeves - 3rd; Amanda Janacek; **Science** - Sarah Reeves - 4th; Janice Glover, Ruth Reeves, Samantha Stephens, Mark Glover; **Spelling and Vocabulary** - Amanda Janacek, Colton Van Dusen and Mark Glover.

## Rainey - Scitern To Pledge Vows



Teresa Rainey of Gorman and Hank Rainey of Rucker are proud to announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Roxanna Renita Rainey to Kevin Dean Scitern. Kevin is the son of Ina Scitern Smith and the late Gerald Scitern. The wedding has been set for July 4, 1998 at Bass Lake.

## Baseball Kick-Off Day

### Slated Saturday, May 2nd

Saturday, May 2nd will be the Kickoff Day for T-Ball, PeeWee and Little League. The day will begin at 12 noon at the Peanut Park north of Gorman on Desdemona Highway. Concession Stand opens at 12 noon. Get a Barbeque Sandwich, chips and drink for only \$3.00!!!

At 1:00 p.m. - T-Ball Game; 2:15 p.m. - PeeWee Game; and 3:30 - Little League Game. All Team and Individual Pictures will be taken beginning at 12:30. Make Plans To Attend!!!!

## Gorman Livestock Raisers Association Holds Buyers Appreciation Dinner on April 17th

The Gorman Livestock Raisers Association said Thank You to all the Businesses and Supporters on Friday, April 17th. The Buyers Appreciation Supper is given each year to thank all of our supporters. You as businesses and patrons, through your support, have made this the most successful year ever in fundraising. The money is raised each year to purchase animals at the County Show. This year the Livestock Raisers are extremely proud to be given a \$1,000 Scholarship to a graduating Senior. In the years to follow, the Livestock Raisers will be raising money for both the Stock Show Sale and the Scholarship. We hope we can count on your continued support in these endeavors.

The Livestock Raisers also presented many plaques and certificates to business and families who helped through the year. Linda Stephens was presented a plaque for her service as Fundraising Chairman for the last nine years. This was her last year as her daughter Samantha is a Senior. Bo Caraway was also presented a plaque and coat proclaiming him - **Grand Champion Agriculture Instructor** for his hard work throughout this year.

Once again the Livestock Raisers would like to thank everyone who made this a great year.

Be sure and watch for information on upcoming events. There will be a Ranch Rodeo on June 13th and 14th. Hope to see you there!!!!

## Pre-Kindergarten Registration

Registration for Pre-Kindergarten for the 1998-1999 school year will be held, May 4th and 5th, during regular school hours. Your child must be 4 years old on or before September 1st in order to begin school. Bring your child's shot record, birth certificate, and social security card to the Elementary Principal's office for registration.

The nurse will check shot records during registration. We will meet with parent and newly registered pre-kindergarten students on Tuesday afternoon, May 4th, at 6 p.m., in the pre-kindergarten classroom for an orientation.

Kindergarten age students who did not attend pre-k this school year are to also register at this time for the 1998-1999 kindergarten class. They will also need their shot record, birth certificate and social security card. They must be 5 years old on or before September 1st.

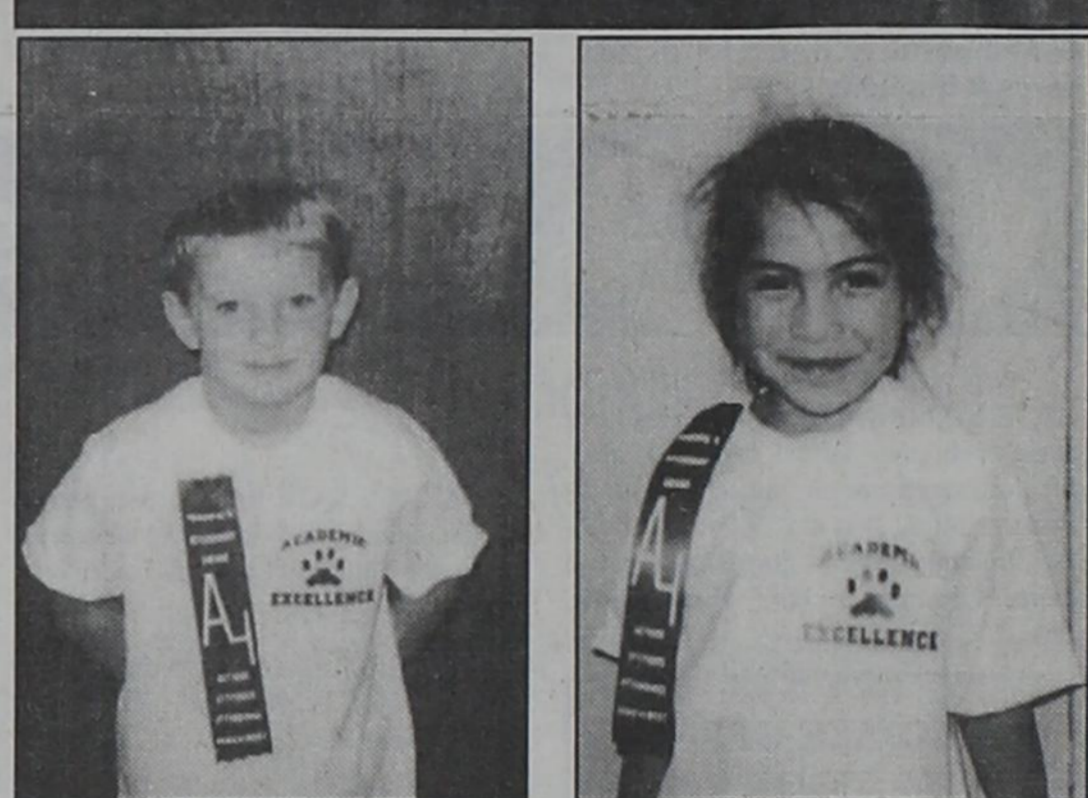
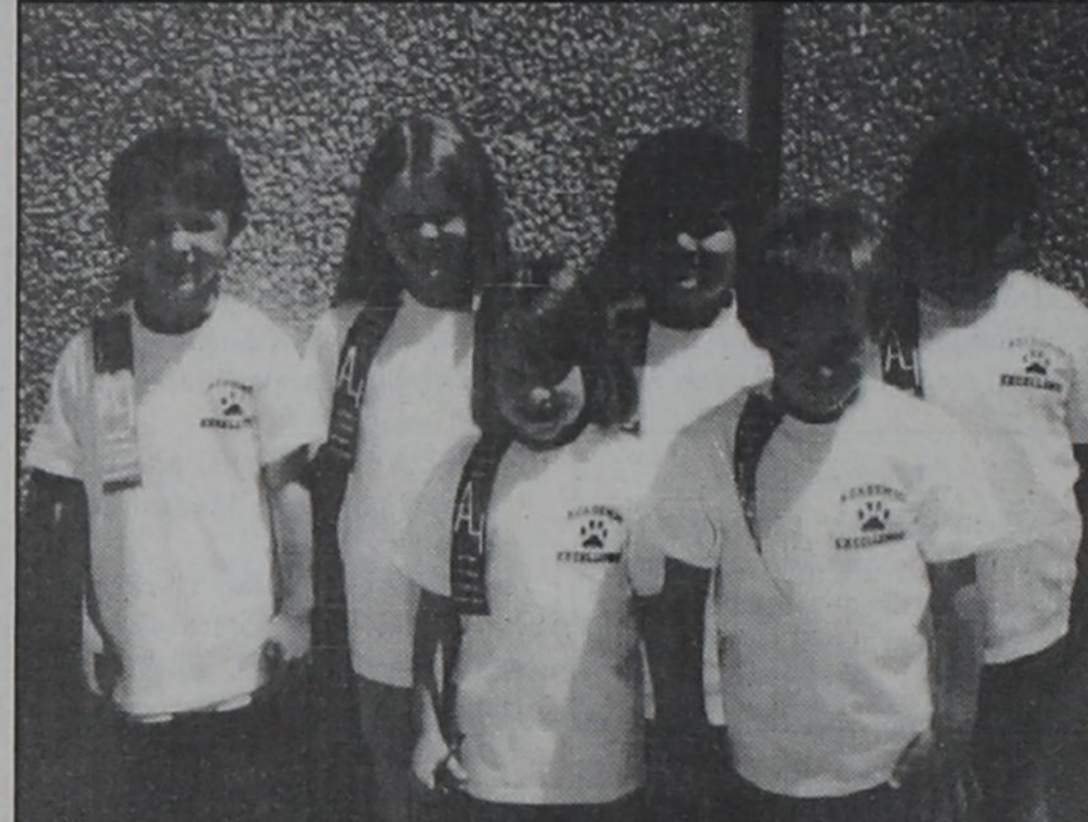
### KEEPING UP WITH FRIENDS

Patricia Hudson of Dallas was a weekend visitor with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Hudson.

### NO SCHOOL FRIDAY

Friday, May 1st, Gorman ISD students will have a holiday. Teachers and students will enjoy the holiday.

## Principal's A-4 Award Winners



**A-4 Awards for 5th Six Weeks**  
Mrs. Taylor's - **Pre-Kindergarten a.m.** - Randy Woodall, **Pre-Kindergarten p.m.** - Cecilia Olivares; **Kindergarten** - Mrs. Brown - Shawna Kitchens; Mrs. Reeves - Edna Gonzalez; **1st Grade** - Mrs. Burleson-Colby Spivey; Mrs. Smith - Jesse Rodriguez; **2nd Grade** - Mrs. Lasater - Nicole Cogburn;

## Honor Roll - 5th Six Weeks

**FIRST GRADE:** - MRS. BURLESON - A - Sonia Hipolito, Brittany Graham, Audrey Johnston, Emily Lewis, Jordan Perry, Colby Spivey, Matt Underwood; **AB - Matthew Cogburn, Sarah Flores, Dezirae Murphy;** **MRS. SMITH - A -** Marcy Gonzalez, Lindsey Laminack, Valerie Longoria, Tyson Swanner, Brittany Van Dusen; **AB - Kristi Campbell, Stormy Hurd, Jesse Rodriguez, Veronica Walton, Christopher Madera;** **SECOND GRADE:** MRS. LASATER - A - Travis Barnett, Brandy Carlton, Nicole Cogburn, Esther Cruz, Clarissa Glasson, Kristi Landa; **AB - Ashley Bush, Corey Clark, Seth Cochrane, Mike Dickerson, Ashley Gonzales,**

Aaron Keith, Trevor Speck, Carrie Thetford, Isai Estrada; **MRS. CURLEE - A -** Brittany Rainey, Mary Powell, Seth Johnson, Tecia Jones, Kennon Hornback, Trey Holdman, Megan Lewis; **AB - Tony Perez, Kendra Lewis, Elizabeth Lewis, Reba Granado;** **THIRD GRADE:** MRS. CARAWAY - A - Kristy Carlton, Matthew Smith, Natasha Scroggins; **AB -** Macon Norris, Kari Bond; **MRS. SPIVEY - A -** Amanda Regian, Brittany Shirley, Chance Underwood; **AB -** Tiffany Perez, Kaci Seaton, Crystal Thackerson, Ty Vaughn, Nicole Vaughn; **FOURTH GRADE:** MRS. GOOD - A - Amber Ervin, Kia McCarty,

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### NOTICE

Limited income families and individuals, wishing to enroll in the commodity program, can pick up applications at the Senior Center next Wednesday, May 6th, from 12:30 to 1:30.

REMEMBER TO VOTE SATURDAY, MAY 2ND FROM 7 A.M. TO 7 P.M. FOR THE CANDIDATES RUNNING FOR GORMAN CITY COMMISSION PLACES



**De Leon Services  
for  
Perle Ola Bailey**

Perle Ola Bailey, 96, of De Leon passed away Saturday, April 25, 1998 in the Richland Hills Nursing & Rehab Center in Richland Hills, Texas. Services were held Thursday, April 30, 1998 at 2:00 in the De Leon First United Methodist Church with burial in the De Leon Cemetery. Brother Wes Howard officiating services with Bob Harper and Nelda Priddy providing the music.

Mrs. Bailey was born April 28, 1901 in Fuson, Missouri to David Tandy Martin and Emma Middleton Martin. She was a member of the De Leon First United Methodist Church and was past president of the De Leon Garden Club and past president of her

**Wanda Lee Cole  
Laid to Rest  
Monday**

Wanda Lee Cole, age 73, died Sunday School class. She married Hugh Osborn Bailey September 10, 1922 in Carbon, Texas. He preceded her in death November 19, 1997.

Survivors include: One daughter, Wanda Harper of Hurst; one son, Martin Bailey and his wife Ruth Ann Bailey of Muncie, Indiana; One sister, Clara Morton of Bowie, Texas; Three grandchildren, Bob Harper, Jim Harper, Marla Ann Bailey; One grand daughter-in-law, Susan Harper; two great grandchildren, Joe and Len Harper.

She was preceded in death by her parents; one brother, Everett Martin and one sister, Ethel Bailey.

Thursday, April 23, 1998 in a DeLeon Hospital after a lengthy illness.

Services were Monday, April 27 in the Higginbotham Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. Clarence Wilson officiating, assisted by Dale H. Cole. Burial was in the Gorman Cemetery.

Mrs. Cole was born on May 17, 1924 in Gorman to the late Thomas and Minnie Thurman. She was a housewife and a lifetime member of the D.A.V.A. Her husband, Carl Cole preceded her in death on January 24, 1990. She was affiliated with the First Baptist Church.

Survivors include: One daughter, Joy L. Cole of Gorman; One son, Dale H. Cole of Elkhart, Indiana; One grandson, Joseph Colpetzer of Gorman.

**Services Held for  
Johnnie Ray Landreth**

Johnnie Ray Landreth, age 78, passed away Sunday, April 26, 1998 in the DeLeon Hospital.

Services were held Tuesday, April 28 in the Higginbotham Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. Craig Rhoton officiating. Burial was in the Oakland Cemetery.

Mr. Landreth was born on November 25, 1919 in Brown County. He married Mildred Fay Broom on April 12, 1947 in Carbon. He was a U.S. Army Veteran of World War II having served in the European Theater. He was retired after working for 20 years for the Golden Oak Milling Co. He was a member of the First Baptist Church.

Survivors include: Wife, Mildred Fay Landreth of Gorman; three sisters, Lillie Belle Brandau of Olympia, Washington, Ruby King of Denver, Colorado, Bonnie Epp of Apache Junction, Arizona; Mother-in-law, Willie Broom of Gorman.

**Rev. Lee Fields  
Laid to Rest**

The Rev. Lee Fields, 91, of Carbon passed away April 22, 1998 in an Eastland nursing home. He had been a Baptist minister for 61 years.

Services were held Friday, April 24, in the Mangum Baptist Church with Rev. Jimmy Clark officiating. Burial was in the Murray Cemetery. Rev. Fields was born in Eastland

**Last Rites for  
Retta J. Thomas**

Retta J. Thomas, 82, of Ft. Worth, passed away Saturday, April 25, 1998 in Gardens Care Center in Ft. Worth.

Services were held Tuesday, April 28, in the Nowlin Funeral Home Chapel with burial in the De Leon Cemetery. Jackie Auvenshine officiated the service with La Ressie Wilkerson and Vickie Robinett providing the music. Pallbearers were: Mike Carlin, Carroll Carlin, Rodger Hammon, Ronnie Hammon, Todd Hammon.

Mrs. Thomas was born February 4, 1916 in Rising Star, Texas. She had been a house mother in the Masonic Home in Ft. Worth for several years.

Survivors include: Three sons, Curtis Chesser, E.L. Lowe, and Robert Lowe all of Ft. Worth; several grandchildren and several great-grandchildren.

Preceded in death by: two brothers, Alvin Carlin and J.P. Carlin; three sisters, Johnnie Mae Hammon, Ruth Montague and Mary Wright.

**Charlotte Miller  
Chambers  
Laid to Rest**

Charlotte Miller Chambers, 80, of De Leon passed away Saturday, April 25, 1998 in the De Leon Hospital.

Services were held Monday, April 27 with burial in the De Leon Cemetery. Bro. Tom Satterwhite and Bro. Jackie Auvenshine officiated.

Mrs. Chambers was born April 20, 1918 in De Leon, Texas to Carroll Clyde Miller and Lanora Wilson Miller.

County where he was a lifelong resident. His pastorates include Mangum Baptist Church, Second Baptist Church in Ranger. He worked as a carpenter and was a farmer. He was the widow of Gene McGaha Fields, whom he married in 1925 in Carbon.

Survivors include: One daughter, Wanda Lea Kelley of Graham; two grandchildren; three great-grandchildren and several nephews and nieces.

**They Rejected Him**

By Rev. Dane Gressett  
*"And behold, the whole city came out to meet Jesus; and when they saw Him, they entreated Him to depart from their region" (Matthew 8:34)*

Jesus had just miraculously freed an infamous demonized lunatic. The man's sudden change caused not a little stir. The city people had to make a decision. Would they too welcome Jesus and embrace the changes He would bring? Or would they come up with excuses and justify sending Jesus away?

I've seen the same scenario many times. Some drug addict, adulteress or discouraged individual meets Jesus and has an immediate life change only to find that his or her own family and friends often reject their experience and belittle their faith. Many are thus asking Jesus to go somewhere else. They are afraid of the changes He inevitably brings. (By the way His changes are always for the better!) They fear what others might say if they welcome Jesus with open heart.

If you are desperately needy today your answer will be found in knowing Jesus Christ. Welcome Him to change

She taught school in the De Leon School system for 20 years before retiring. She was a member of the De Leon First Baptist Church and had lived in De Leon all her life. She married B.W. Chambers September 12, 1944.

Survivors include: Husband, B.W. Chambers of De Leon; one daughter, Betty Chambers of Stephenville; two sisters, Ila B. Battershell of Carlton, Texas, Mildred Grigg of Clovis, NM.

Preceded in death by one brother, Dean Truitt Miller and three sisters Carole M. Reeves, Laverne Moreland, and Maurine Gardner.

**To Whom It May Concern,**

I am trying to locate members of my family that may still live in the Comanche County area. My great-great grandparents James and Mary Philips lived in Comanche County in 1870 with their daughters Alice (my great-grandmother) and Josephine. There may have been an older brother named Jim. Alice married Will Little (my great-grandfather) in Comanche County in 1886, then moved to Bell County where they raised their family. The Philips stayed in Comanche County, to the best of my knowledge. Josephine married a Johnson, but that is all I know.

The Bunting family of De Leon: Alvin and May and children, Norma, Elsie, Travis, Buna, Johnny and Ray, all born in the early 1900's were cousins to the Philips and Littles, but I'm not sure how.

I am working on my family tree and would love to correspond with any Philips, or Buntins or related families in the Comanche County area and share any information I have. If you know anyone in these families, could you please pass on this letter for me. Thank you so very much!

Warmest regards,  
Kay Hilburn  
3730 Palmetto Creek Dr.  
Kingwood, TX 7739

your life. He can do it. He will do it. Don't worry about the doubters and the mockers. God's opinion is the only one that counts anyway. "If God be for us who can be against us?"

**OLIVER SPRINGS  
CEMETERY MEETING**  
Saturday, May 2nd  
9:00 a.m. til ?  
Bring Basket Lunch

**ITEMS OF INTEREST**

The Kokomo-Simpson Cemetery Association Meeting will be held May 2 at 11:00 a.m. at the tabernacle at the Simpson Cemetery, weather permitting, otherwise it will be held at the Kokomo Community Center.

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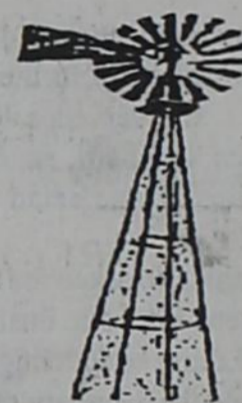
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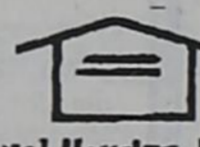
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# Sharing With Brother Bob

By Bob Beeman

Gardening. This was such a lively topic I couldn't keep the names of my friends at Heritage Manor together with their comments.

Following are some tips gleaned from our discussion: Mark the rows with string before planting, use cow manure for fertilizer, grow tomatoes in a tub and plant using a stick to poke holes in the ground...

To harvest: hang up onions in clumps to dry, string peppers, shell and can peas and beans, corn or freeze corn, tomatoes, okra etc., make crout with cabbage.

Always plant radishes. They grow and mature fast and help keep you interested in the garden.

Till next time, Brother Bob

P.S. Thanks to Elmer C & Modell for the wildflower information.

# Longtime Extension Director Retires



SAN ANGELO--Carolyn Gilbert, long-time District Extension Director, will retire on March 31, 1998 with 33 years of service with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service.

As DED, Gilbert supervised the Family and Consumer Science Extension agents in the District's 23 counties.

Prior to her employment in San Angelo, Gilbert was an Extension 4-H and Youth Specialist headquartered at the Texas 4-H Center near Brownwood. She began that position in 1977.

Gilbert holds a BS degree from Abilene Christian University. The school named her Distinguished Alumni for the College of Arts and Sciences in 1994-95.

Gilbert has been very active in the U.S. Air Force Reserve since completing active duty. She was promoted to the rank of Colonel in 1996.

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# 4-H Record Book Workshop Scheduled

It's 4-H Record Book Time! your 4-H Record Book makes it possible for you to receive awards and scholarships.

Ken Johnson, District 8 4-H Specialist, will conduct 4-H Record Book Workshop on May 5th beginning at 5:45 p.m. in the Gorma School Cafeteria.

Mark your calendar and plan to attend.

# Airbrasion: A new technique in dentistry

By Charles Crabtree DDS

A new and important revolutionary technique in dentistry for treating common dental decay has been developed. We are fortunate in the Gorman area to be able to benefit from this new advancement.

The new instrument may be used as an alternative to the drill in some procedures. A gentle stream of air and powder is carried to the tooth gently and precisely, spraying away decay.

Imagine for a minute the impact of being able to have dental fillings placed with no shot, no dental drill with its associated noise, vibration and heat, no pain, and best of all, no extra costs. The new airbrasion technique allows us to experience this kind of dentistry rather than only imagine or wish it could be for most fillings.

What can a patient expect with the new technology? First, the process of decay removal and placing a restoration filling, will be much more comfortable since in most cases no shot is necessary and the dental drill is replaced by the gentle stream of air/powder mix and directed to the decayed area.

The tooth colored fillings are bonded to the tooth using the process that lab tests have shown to be the strongest bond strength ever available in dentistry.

The whole process is incredibly fast, safe, effective and experienced with enthusiasm by even our most fearful patients.

A much more conservative preparation can be accomplished since no removal of good tooth structure is necessary as it usually is when the drill is used.

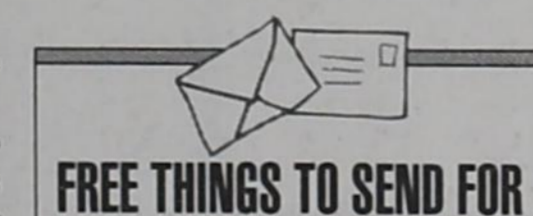
The fillings being smaller, with less removal of tooth structure, stronger bond strength and resultant reduced reoccurring decay, patient comfort and reduced fear are reasons the impact for patients is going to be very important.

Will this technique make the drill obsolete? Though this technique will dramatically reduce reliance on the drill, some procedures are still better accomplished with the drill. It is not appropriate for every part of every procedure. This airbrasion technique is tremendously important since a dental filling is probably the most common treatment needed and our need for fillings usually begins when we are quite young and our fear level is very high.

Much more detailed information may be of interest to some readers. If you have questions, feel free to call Dr. Crabtree in De Leon, 254-893-4211.

We are excited to be able to offer Superior Service Award. She has also been recognized by numerous agencies, colleagues, civic organizations, and individuals throughout her Extension and Air Force careers.

Carolyn is the daughter of Mr. Floyd Gilbert and the later Lucille Gilbert of Gorman. She will be spending time in San Angelo and Gorman after retirement. She plans to remain active in the Johnson Street Church of Christ where she has long taught third through sixth graders in the church's "Footprints of the Faithful" program.



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# DESDEMONA NEWS

By Vonnie Guthery

First Baptist Church of Desdemona had average attendance last Sunday. Special music was presented by the church quartet, Helen Collum, Wilma Faye Iley, Wayne Eaves, Elwood Ragland with Karen Eaves at the piano. Visitors for the morning service were Billy Paul and Judy Lewis of Cisco, Hershel and Wanda Brisson of Morgan Mill, Max and Barbara Bush of Gorman and Dorothy Leman of Stephenville.

Leo Williams is at home now after spending several days in the Abilene hospital following a heart attack on Monday. He was able to attend church on Sunday. Our get well wishes goes out to Leo. Eloise hope you can make him take care of himself.

Rex and Billie Tilly of Gatesville attended the Desdemona monthly musical last Saturday night. Rex always enjoys coming to "Hogtown" to visit his friends. He calls his "Home" even after being away for many years. He attended school with this reporter in the class of 1951. The Tilly's would like to say "Hello" to all their friends in this area.

Tom and Lois (Moore) Ervin of Nashville, Tennessee spent several days in Desdemona visiting friends and relatives. It is always good to have former residents come back "Home". Tom graduated from DHS with the class of 1941 and Lois with the class of 1942.

Desdemona Community Center Garage Sale will be in 2 weeks. If you have items to donate bring them by the school building or call Vonnie Guthery 758-2665 to be picked up.

Jr. and Nell (Echols) Moore of Benbrook visited the past weekend with her mother, Benton Echols. Jr. graduated from DHS with the class of 1947 and Nell with the class of 1950.

Wesley and Juanita Thomas of Kingslan attended the monthly musical last Saturday night. They are former residents of Desdemona where he was plant foreman for Mobil Oil Co.

Kama Vardeman and friend of Hardin Simmons College in Abilene visited Saturday with her grandparents, Albert and Pat Holdman.

Albert and Pat Holdman spent Wednesday and Thursday in Fort Worth for Pt to have a check up with her doctors.

Bernard and Ann Keith spent Thursday night in Austin.

Billy Paul and Judy Lewis of Cisco spent Sunday with his sister, Glyn and Alpha Thiebaud.

Jerry Buckley was in Fort Worth

this past week for a check up with his eye doctor. Guthery, who will celebrate her 78th birthday on May 1st. "Happy Birthday" to our sister, Have a nice day. A.V. Seay from Pug and Vonnie Vonnie Guthery

# The Wisdom of Age

As I lay here in this hospital bed In old Abilene town, I am told There is much to be said and appreciated From the fact that I'm growing old. For I've roamed this old planet for three score and ten An honor that must be re-told Yet I cannot believe the wisdom I've gained Is worth the price of growing old. But I must give praise to the institution I'm in Their care and actions defended Yet I cannot believe my 2000 parts Will again ever work as intended. I've been prodded, probed, exposed and such A thousand-times my temperature taken And the "Big Sticks" never cease Even before I am awakened. But in a much broader sense the blessings are mine For a life I enjoy, for friends and family that care And the past few days have brought into focus That growing old is a privilege for loved ones to share. Written by Leo Williams, Desdemona, Texas He dedicates this poem to the people of the Cardiac Care Unit of Hendrick Medical Center in Abilene and to the people at home who took care of things during his hospital stay.

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