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Marti Heyser Candidate For Eastland County Treasurer



and stepfather, Mary and L.G. Akins, reside in Eastland. My husband, Joe, a lifetime resident of Cisco, is the son of J. V. and Helen Heyser of Cisco. I have two children, Shane Mitchell and Daniele Mitchell Greenmun, both graduates of Eastland High School.

My son, Shane, and his family currently reside in Gilbert, Arizona. My daughter, Daniele, and her family reside in Eastland.

I have been the president and bookkeeper of MSB Company for the past 17 years. It has been my sole responsibility to receive and disburse all monies in the company including, but not limited to, royalties, accounts payable, and accounts receivable. I have also prepared and submitted all monthly and annual reports related to the business.

For 5 years, I was the secretary and treasurer of the Thursday Night Couples Bowling League of Eastland. During this time, I collected all sanction money, dues and fees, and prepared, posted, and submitted weekly and seasonal reports to the American Bowling Congress and the Women's International Bowling Congress. I was also president of the Ladies Wednesday Night Bowling League for 10 years, where I conducted meetings, disbursed awards, and reconciled all bank statements for the league.

I am a member of the First Baptist Church of Eastland, and the Kiwanis Club. I am proud to be a resident of Eastland County. A dedicated county employee, I am honest, hardworking, dependable, organized, and efficient. These are all qualities I feel are important to the office of County Treasurer. I have the skills and good character necessary to perform the required duties of the office. I would consider it a privilege to serve Eastland County and its residents. I would appreciate your vote and support in both the March 10 Republican Primary Election and the General Election in November. Thank You.

Pol. Ad. Pd. by Marti Heyser, 200 N. Daugherty, Eastland, Texas 76448.

I am a 34 year resident of Eastland County and a graduate of Ranger High School. My mother

Susie Quinn Democratic Candidate For County Treasurer



has always been one of service, hard work, integrity, professionalism, and she desires to serve the public once again as your next County Treasurer. Susie is the only candidate who has been certified as a County Treasurer.

Susie Quinn wants to thank everyone for their positive comments about her using her nickname Susie-Q, as a memory reminder. In addition to the name being easy to remember, it denotes friendliness and the "Q" not only stands for Quinn but also QUALIFIED.

Susie roots are founded in the Eastland County area. Her father, Doyle (Shorty) Allen was born in Nimrod and graduated High School in Gorman, where her grandparents owned and operated a grocery store, the Allen family also operated the Nimrod General Store. This makes Susie the third Allen generation to reside the Eastland County. Susie was born in Breckenridge where her mother, Peggy Melton Allen grew up. The late J.P. Quinn, her father-in-law, and Mary Read Quinn, her mother-in-law, grew up in Desdemona, Mary currently lives in Ranger. Ervel, Susie's husband, is the fourth Quinn generation to reside in Eastland County. Susie and Ervel are residents of Eastland County by choice. Although, neither Susie nor Ervel had the opportunity to grow up in Eastland County, they got her as quickly as they could. It is a great place to live and appreciate especially after living in larger cities. People in Eastland County are friendly, intelligent and involved with their families.

Susie and Ervel have four grown children, two daughters and

Incumbents File For School Board Trustee

All incumbents have filed for the Three Places on the Gorman Independent School Board of Trustees. Danny Snider, a farmer, has served for 9 years on the board, Larry Keith, employed at G&H Feeds, Inc. has served for 6 years, and Bobby Rich, employed by Lone Star Gas Co. has also served for 6 years on the board.

Applications for a place on the ballot may apply at the Superintendent's office through March 18th during regular school hours.

No One Has Filed For Place On City Commission

As of Monday no one has filed for the Three Places up for Election on the Gorman City Commission. Terms expiring are Mayor Jack Simpson, Commissioners John Rice - Place 1 and Johnny Smith, Place 4. Deadline for filing is March 18th.

Manuela Cagle Candidate For County Treasurer



I, Manuela Cagle, Democratic candidate for County Treasurer of Eastland County, am issuing my final statement before the March 10th Primary Election.

I have tried to meet every voter in the County, however, if I have missed anyone, I would like to take this opportunity to ask for your vote and influence at this time. I believe that I am a very well-qualified candidate to hold the position

of County Treasurer due to my Bachelor of Science Degree from Tarleton State University and my experience as manager of Cellular City / Cellular World. Through my experiences as manger, I am knowledgeable of accounts receivable and disbursement of monies. I also believe that my secretarial and administrative training qualify me in the being able to hold the office of County Treasurer.

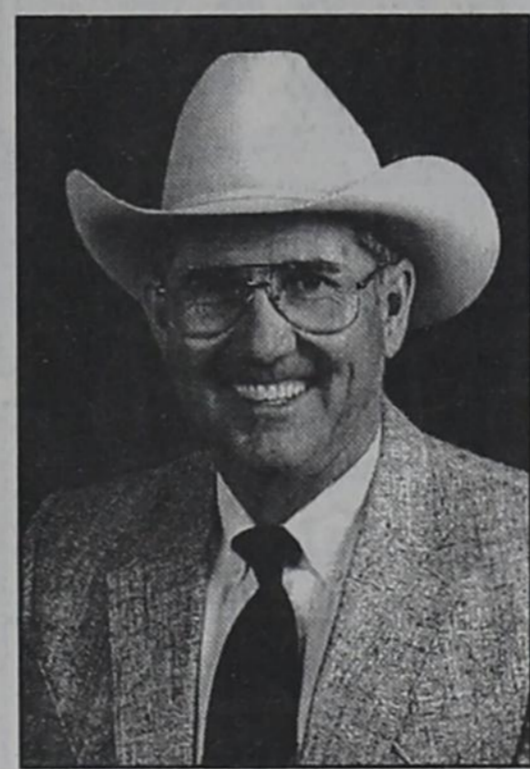
If I am elected as your new County Treasurer, I will uphold the office with honesty and integrity. I will work very diligently to learn the duties and responsibilities of the County Treasurer in order that the Treasurer's office will continue to run efficiently.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of the people who have encouraged and helped me in this campaign. I would like to say a special THANK YOU to my friends and family for their continued support and encouragement.

I would also like to remind the voters of Eastland County to vote on March 10.

Pol. Adv. by Manuela Cagle, Route 3, Box 541, Eastland, Texas 76448.

Gene Kea - Candidate For Eastland County Judge



As provided in the Texas Constitution, each of the 254 counties of the state has a single county court presided over by a county judge. These constitutional county courts generally hear the probate cases filed in the county. These courts have original jurisdiction over all class A and class B misdemeanor criminal cases. Article 4.17 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, reference transfer of certain misdemeanors, on a not guilty plea before a non-attorney county judge, the judge may transfer the case to a district court having jurisdiction in the county, or to a county court at law in the county. The use of may indicates that the transfer of the case is at the discretion of the county judge. If the county judge does not transfer the

case, then he can try the case. The Court Of Appeals has also ruled that trial of a criminal case before a non-attorney county judge does not violate due process. Judges of the constitutional county courts must be "well informed in the law of the state", but are not required to be lawyers. I believe that the intensive training provided by the Texas Department of Public Safety academy; the required hours of continued training through the years since; a bachelors degree in law enforcement; plus over 20 years experience as a Texas Ranger in investigating crimes; preparing cases for trial by insuring that all elements of the crime, as set out in the penal code, are met; all physical evidence has been obtained, collected and maintained so as to the admissible; all interviews and interrogations conducted in a manner that does not violate the rights of the defendant and provides justice for the victim, has me "well informed in the law of the state". In addition to performing judicial functions, the county judge serves as the administrative head of the county government. Having served on the EISD Board of Trustees for 10 years has helped prepare me to conduct the business of the county by familiarization with the budget process, bidding procedures, and the experience of functioning as a member of a board. Serving as president of the EISD Board of Trustees, president of the Eastland County Law Enforcement Association, two time president of the Eastland Ag Booster Association, Eastland County Stock Show Swine Superintendent, and over 29 years in law enforcement also has prepared me in developing the leadership and

Local Fire Departments Receive Placques

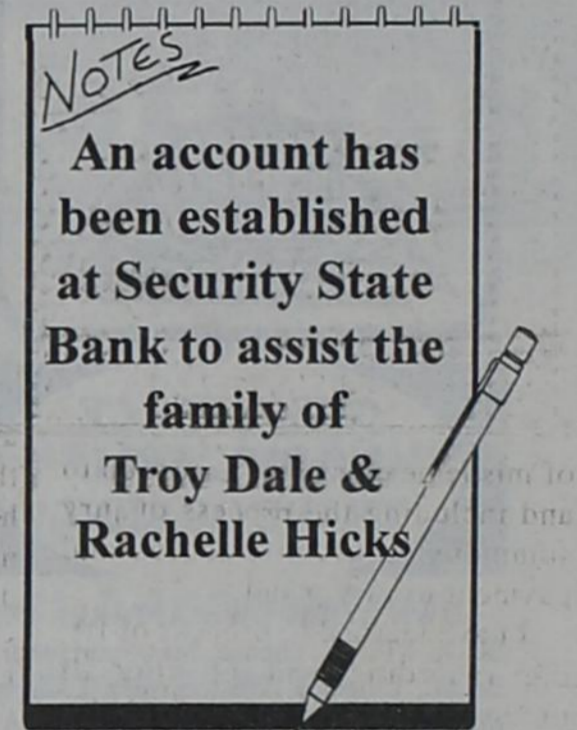
Friday, February 27, 1998 at the Family Bible Church was an emotional time for many area residents. Many tears were shed as the family of Jarratt Hicks presented the Gorman, Eastland, Ranger and De Leon fire departments with plaques and expressed their heartfelt appreciation for the commendable effort put forth in an attempt to save their son and home. It was very obvious, with not a dry eye in the building, the loss of Jarratt is felt in the hearts of many.



Peanut Referendum to Set Assesment

Texas peanut producers subject to paying the assessment may also vote on a proposition to limit the refundable peanut assessment rate not to exceed \$4 per net ton for quota and \$3 per net ton for additional, farmers stock peanuts. Such assessments to be collected at the point of first processing or sale on a "refund only" basis. Such funds are to be used for funding programs of research, education, promotion and market development. All Texas counties are within the proposed referendum area.

The election and referendum will be held under provisions of the "Texas Commodity Referendum Law." Ballots and return envelopes are available in each peanut-producing county extension office April 16 through April 30, 1998 during regular business hours. Ballots may also be requested from the Texas Peanut Producers Board, P.O. Box 398, Gorman, TX 76454, telephone 254-734-2853.



Ballots must be postmarked no later than April 30, 1998 to be valid.

KEEPING WITH FRIENDS
Bob and Charlene Richardson, formerly of Gorman, met with some of their friends in Eastland Wednesday night and had dinner at Pulidos with Joe and Doris Bennett, James, Joetta and Jacquelynn Schuman.

ITEMS OF INTEREST

MUSICAL — There will be a Musical at Sipe Springs Community Center on Saturday, March 7th at 6 p.m. Everyone is Welcome. Especially All Musicians.

NOTICE — Study Hall for School Children - Monday thru Friday from 3:00 til 5:00 p.m. FREE tutoring available. 301 W. Roberts in the Gorman Methodist Church Fellowship Hall. For Information Call 254-734-2546.

The Charlie Garrett Memorial Library is open five days a week from 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m., with the exception of Tuesday, when we are open until 5:30 p.m. All overdue books are five cents per day.

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

Gorman Oaklawn Cemetery Association is accepting donations for the Care of the Cemetery. If you would like to make a donation in memory of or In Honor of someone, please send to Rt. 3 Box 121A, or Security State Bank, Gorman, Texas 76454.

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

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

SANDRA CAGLE WILL BE IN GORMAN THE THIRD WEDNESDAY OF EACH MONTH AT THE CITY OFFICE TO RENEW AUTO LICENSE PLATES. HER NEXT VISIT WILL BE MARCH 18TH FROM 9 - 12 NOON.

communication skills necessary to preside over the commissioners court and to work with and for the citizens of Eastland County.

During the last few weeks I have made several visits to each community in the county to meet as many of you as I could. If I missed meeting you, let me take this means and opportunity to ask for your vote for the experience and dedication that I will bring to the office of County Judge of Eastland County.
Thank You, Gene Kea
Pol. Adv. by Gene Kea, Route 1 Box 400, Eastland, Texas 76448.

Snider Makes Dean's List

Justin Wade Snider, Gorman native recently made the Dean's List for McMurry University Fall semester. In order to make the Dean's List a student must take 12 or more credit hours and have a 3.5 or better G.P.A.

CARD OF THANKS

We would like to thank all area fire departments for responding to the grass fire on our property last week. Due to their quick response the majority of loss was grass. We would also like to thank family, friends and neighbors for their help.

Glenn & Kathy Scitem

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IN APPRECIATION
We would like to express our heartfelt gratitude to all who helped care for Thelma Pittman Hampton during her long illness. The doctors, nurses and staff at the De Leon Hospital, the nurses and aides with Health Cor and Stephen's Home Health, and the nursing staff at Heritage Manor were wonderful. A special thanks to Billie, Charlene, Joy, Julie, Judy, Brenda, Dana, Jessie, and Fay for their loving care. We appreciated the concern and support from all our family, friends and neighbors during our time of sorrow. Thanks to everyone!

Sincerely,
Lonnie Hampton
Tom & Joy Grimm & family
Avis Brinson

Diana Glover makes President's List

Diana Glover, daughter of David and Linda Glover of Gorman, was recently placed on the President's List at the University of North Texas for the Fall semester. Diana achieved a perfect grade point average earning a grade point average of 4.0 on a course load of 12 or more hours.

Diana is a junior Speech-Language Pathology major. She is also a member of the Golden Key National Honor Society and has been nominated for the National Dean's List.

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showing in elections the quality and dedications of office holders can really diminish. With the very low number of voters voting in our precinct the past few years its no wonder that our part of the county is suffering from lack of response from elected officials. So lets all get out and vote in the upcoming elections and that way a majority of the people will be electing the officials to represent us instead of the small number of voters who take the initiative to vote. Pick your candidates carefully and then get off your duffs and get out and VOTE on Tuesday.

We now have two new restaurants in town. Harold's Cafe has opened in the former El Zarape location and the Rancher's Daughter opened on March 2nd in the former Granny's Goodies building next door to the Progress. It's nice to have these places to eat where lunches are served daily, along with all the regular short order items they serve. Lets all support these fine firms and help to keep them operating in our town.

We have gotten a good number of editorials on politics in our area, but due to lack of space in the paper we are unable to publish them, as it would not be fair to print some and not publish them all. Just express your choices at the polls.

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The Gorman Progress is authorized to make the following political announcement, subject to the action of the General Election on March 10, 1998.

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the terrible tragedy that struck our town recently when the home of Troy and Rachelle Hicks was destroyed and their son, Jarratt, was killed in the fire. Folks are so quick to respond to their neighbors and friends in their hour of need. Speaking for Troy and Rachelle and their family, there is no way of express-

ing the love and appreciation that they feel for the many, many folks who responded to support them during this terrible time in their lives. God bless you all for caring.

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I am writing this in response to a situation involving some of the coaches/teachers at Gorman High School. Even though I no longer live in Gorman, I still have friends and family in the surrounding area that keep me up on what is going on, and I have an opinion concerning some of these matters.

It seems to me that the "upper level" administration (including the school board) is making it a habit of punishing coaches for doing what is right and fair to the kids in their sport and classrooms. It is a shame that these coaches/teachers have absolutely no support from the "upper level" when it comes to dealing with parents and students. From what I have heard parents and students are allowed to go before these "upper levels" and voice complaints and rumors without the coaches/teachers even being made aware of it or being present. How can this be allowed without getting both sides of the story.

Parents we all want our kids to be the best academically and athletically,

but we all must agree that not all kids have that ability. Not to say that they are no better or worse than the kids who do achieve these goals, but don't go blaming coaches and teachers for our kids inability to complete these tasks. Maybe you were an outstanding athlete, there is nothing that says that your kids will be also. Let your kids live their own dreams, don't make them re-live yours.

To the "upper level", if you hire someone for a job, then let them do their job. Don't turn your backs on them when they have a losing season, or when their test scores are not what they have been being. Everyone knows that with a few good years, comes a couple of bad ones, whether it be your crops, your livestock, or even the stock market. If everything was to be perfect, then my friends the good Lord would have taken us to heaven, as soon as we became one of his children. I remember something that my parents instilled in me when I was just a small child, and I have tried to live by it, even

Bessie Holiday Has Surprise Birthday Party Feb. 15th

From 2:00 p.m. until 6:00 p.m. on Sunday, Feb. 15, Bessie Holliday of Walnut Springs was honored on a special birthday with a surprise party. It was kept a secret from her until a few minutes before guests arrived.

Fifty guests arrived to wish Bessie a "happy Birthday" at the Lions' Den in downtown, Walnut Springs. Those attending the party came from eleven towns. They were served refreshments, which included birthday cake. Hers was white cake decorated with white icing and pink roses. Her brother, Pete Tucker, was born on her ninth birthday. His cake was chocolate with white icing and blue roses. He knew about his sister's party, but he was surprised when he was honored as well.

Bessie's family who gave the party and attended were her daughter, Peggy Trotter and husband, Richard, her grandchildren, Timothy, Susan, Zane, and Trenton Trotter, and Ricki Trotter of Walnut Springs, Victor, Amy and Benjamin Trotter of Fort Worth, her son, Ronnie Holliday and his wife, Alice, of Arvada, Colorado Grandchild-

now into my senior years. TREAT OTHERS THE WAY THAT YOU WANT TO BE TREATED. Ask yourselves, are you treating some of these coaches and teachers the way that you would want to be treated. Walk in their shoes for awhile, and quit playing God with their lives, remember some of them even have families.

Parents, for your child's sake, you should be proud of the coaches and teachers at Gorman ISD. Support them when they are trying to coach and teach your child, instead of punishing him for doing his job, and not giving your child the "special" treatment. Your child should earn that right, not have it handed to them on a silver platter.

The "upper level", if you wanted a puppet for a coach or teacher, then you should have hired one. The problem in Gorman, is you all want a good thing until that good thing starts doing what is right for the "overall program", then you get nervous and start looking for someone who will play by your rules. Good luck finding someone who wants to coach and/or teach at a school that won't support them.

I leave you with this thought by Alfred Alder an Austrian psychoanalyst (1870-1937) "It is the individual who is not interested in his fellow men who has the greatest difficulties in life and provides the greatest injury to others. It is from among such individuals that all human failures spring"

S.D. Dawson
Eastland County
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Kokomo Stew Supper a Big Success

Once again the annual Kokomo Stew Supper drew a large crowd. Folks started arriving early from far and near.

dren Lori Holliday of Austin and Matt Holliday and wife, Shana of Fraser, Colorado were unable to attend.

Special guests were Bessie's brothers, Fred and Walter Tucker, of Eastland, Pete Tucker and wife, Gloria, of Fort Worth, her nephew, Jerry Tucker and family, of Eastland, and Inez Davenport of Fort Worth. Inez and Bessie were best friends when they were fifteen years old. They had not seen each other in several years.

Bessie's daughter sent invitations, and she received remembrances from the following towns: Throckmorton, Gorman, Walnut Springs, Gatesville, Fort Worth, Austin, Eastland, Strawn, Rising Star, Abilene, Ranger, Mineral Wells, San Angelo, Olney, Splendora, Dublin, Houston, Arlington, Burleson, Woodson, and Odessa, Texas, and from Buena park, California, Billings, Montana, Marquette, Michigan and Arvada, Colorado. She received many cards and gifts at the party, as well. Her grandson, Vicotr had some pages printed for Bessie and Pete, which told what was happening Feb. 15 in the years of their births.

Bessie and Pete's parents were Mr. and Mrs. E.T. Tucker of Eastland. They and three brothers are deceased.

A friend, Liz Summers, of Walnut Springs, registered gusts as they arrived. Several friends and family entertained with music and singing during the party. Joe Ann Everett from Glen Rose helped with the preparations.

Bessie was surprised and enjoyed the day. After the party she asked her family to her home and gave tulip pot plants to them to take home. She had thought they were to gather at her home for the noon meal, as she did not know about the party.

There was much visitation, greetings and lots of eating.

This is a benefit supper that has been going on for over 30 years.

The Community Club appreciated the advance ticket sales, all donations, and the good turn out.

There were guests from Abilene, Cisco, Olden, Ranger, New Hope, Plano, Carbon, Coppell, Lake Leon, Gorman, De Leon, Eastland, Ennis, Morton Valley, Flatwood, Mangrum and Kokomo. Over 200 people attended.

See you next year!
Reporter: Nancy Hendricks.

Thelma Lucille Hampton Last Rites Read Sunday

Thelma Lucille Hampton, 84, of Gorman passed away Friday, February 27, 1998 in the Heritage Manor nursing home in Gorman.

Services were held Sunday in the Higginbotham Funeral Home Chapel with Craig Rhoton officiating. Burial was in the De Leon Cemetery.

Mrs. Hampton was born in Liberty in Comanche County. She married Lonnie hampton in 1930 in Rock Bluff. She was a homemaker and moved to Gorman about 50 years ago. She was a member of First Baptist Church.

Survivors include her husband, Lonnie Hampton of Gorman; one daughter, Joy Grimm of Arlington; one sister, Avis Brinson of De Leon; four grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

KEEPING WITH FRIENDS

Eula Miers took her grandson, Aaron Miers of Bowie, to his Regional Math and Science UIL competition in Bridgeport last week.

He did real well and will advance to State Math and Science competition

Eastland County Retired Teachers and Associates to Meet March 9th

Eastland County Retired Teachers and Associates will meet March 9th at Jordan's Steakhouse in Eastland at 11:30 a.m.

The guest speaker will be Eula Miers of Gorman. Eula will bringing a couple of her exchange students and will be speaking on the Foreign Exchange Students Program.

Otwell Graduates from Basic Training

Army Pvt. Edward R. Otwell has graduated from One Station Unit Training (OSUT) at Fort Leonard Wood, Waynesville, MO. The training included basic military training and advanced individual training (AIT).

Basic military trainees received instruction in drill and ceremonies, weapons, map reading, tactics, military courtesy, military justice, first aid, and Army history and traditions.

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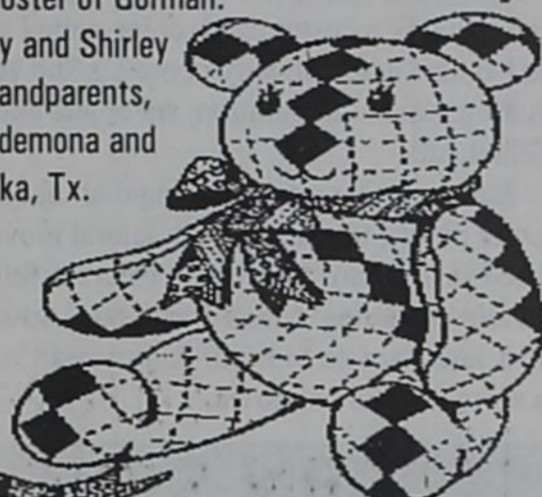
Otwell is the son of Finas R. and Martha J. Otwell of De Leon, Texas.

which will be held April 18th in San Antonio. Congratulations Aaron, You've made "grandma Eula" and "grandpa James" real proud! Keep up the good work and good luck in April.

New Arrival

Ronson and Tiffany Childers, along with their daughter Cortney, are proud to announce the birth of their son and brother **Ronson Hunter Childers**. Born February 11, 1998 at 4:15 p.m. in Stephenville Harris Methodist Hospital. He weighed 8 lbs. 8 oz and was 20 inches long.

Paternal grandparents are: Ron & Pam Childers of Gorman, Great grandmother, Annie Fay Foster of Gorman.
Maternal grandparents are: Gary and Shirley Shirley of Desdemona; Great grandparents, Neldon & Billie Shipman of Desdemona and Frank & Beth Shirley of OnAlaska, Tx.



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A.V. (Guthery) Seay spent several days in the DeLeon Hospital I.C.U. She is much improved and has returned to the Gorman Rest Home. Our "get well" wishes goes out to A.V. who is a sister to Pug Guthery in Desdemona.

Desdemona Class of 1941 will be meeting this August 7th at the Doc-Bar Room, Holiday Inn in Stephenville. All other classes are invited to visit with them.

The ladies social will meet Monday, March 9th, in the home of Helen Grimshaw. Visitors are welcome.

Desdemona Homecoming and School Reunion will be on Saturday, August 8 at the Community Center (school building). This is an annual event since 1921 and enjoyed by those who attend each year. Homecoming officers and all the community invites all the ex-students, teachers and friends to attend.

Helen (Abel) Brown of Stephenville visited on Sunday with her classmate, Dorothy (Williams) Roberts.

Desdemona monthly musical was well attended last Saturday night with several coming for the first time. P.D. and Margaret Ash of Stephenville attended for their first time. P.D. recently retired from R.E. A. in Stephenville, he was a former resident of Desdemona where he attended school and graduated with the class of 1951 (a classmate with this reporter). We do appreciate all those who attend the musicals and those who donate food each month.

David Williams of Lawton, Oklahoma visited the weekend with his parents, Leo and Eloise (Wisdom) Williams. Leo and David played their harmonica and guitar at the monthly

musical on Saturday night.

Ruth (Crenshaw) Knaack of Desdemona, her sister, Edith (Crenshaw) Robinson and Jimmy King of Stephenville attended the funeral of their sister-in-law, Dorothy (Arthur) Crenshaw, 84, of Kamay. Dorothy was born in Desdemona on December 16, 1913 where she attended school. She was buried on February 20, 1998 in the Wichita Falls Crestview Memorial Park. Survivors include her husband, Raymond Crenshaw of Kamay, one brother, "Pip" Arthur of Coahoma, two sisters, Tommie Baker of The Woodlands, and Mary (Arthur). Our sincere sympathy goes out to this family.

More "Thunder in February" so keep marking your calendar for "Frost in April." Just have to wait and see if this old saying does come true.

Our hearts were saddened to hear about the death of Jarratt Hicks, age 2, who lost his life in a house fire in Gorman. Parents are Troy and Rachelle Hicks of Gorman. A fund has been set up for this family at the Gorman Bank. Your donations are needed and will be appreciated by this family who lost everything in this fire plus the loss of their precious little boy. Our sincere sympathy goes out to this family.

Still lots of sickness in our area with flu, bronchitis, pneumonia, some recovering from surgery. Be very thoughtful to remember these and other in the rest homes with your cards and prayers.

This reporter visited recently with Bill and Bobbie (Morrow) Adams of Fort Worth. They were eating lunch at a local cafe. Bill graduated from

KOKOMO NEWS

ZELDA JORDAN — PHONE 254-639-2289

Many thanks to all who came to the Kokomo Stew Supper on Saturday evening and to all who helped to make it such a huge success. A very large crowd attended, and all seemed to have a good time visiting with old friends and making some new friends. There were many towns and communities represented and we appreciated everyone.

A very special thank you to Bob and Brenda at the City Grocery at Gorman for donating the meat for our stew. This was a very generous thing for them to do for us, and we want them to know that it was certainly appreciated, and their generosity will help us have more to donate to the fire departments, West Texas Rehab and the Community Center.

We thank the Carbon, Gorman and Eastland Fire Departments for coming to our community last week to put out the grass fire that started on the Sid Waynick place and burned toward the Glenn Scitern place. The wind was very high and the fire could have really gotten out of hand if it had not been for these firemen bringing it under con-

Desdemona with the class of 1938 and Bobbie with the class of 1939. They still think of Desdemona as being Home to them and would like to say "Hello" to everyone especially, Agatha Nancy who is Bobbie's cousin.

Have a Nice Day!

trol. We are very thankful for dedicated men who serve us well.

The month of March is a time of Home Missions emphasis throughout the Southern Baptist Convention, and a video on the work of some of the Home missionaries was shown at the morning service at the Kokomo Baptist Church on Sunday. We are challenged to pray for the "home Missionaries: and the work they are doing to reach the lost for Christ, and then give our offerings through the Annie Armstrong Easter Offering.

The special music at the morning service was rendered by the church choir under the direction of Woodrow Browning with Glynda Bond at the piano. Visitors were Glenda Priest and Ryan and Kody Daniell of Abilene, Maggie Nelson of Fort Worth, Karen Patterson of Breckenridge, James Wood, Jerald McClearn, Mable Perez, and John and Tiffany Perez and Gorman and Mike and Tammy Perez, Chad, Charla, Royce and Angelina.

Delmon and Joyce Eaves visited last Wednesday with Mark, Margaret and Preston Eaves at Mansfield. Mark and family left this weekend for their new home in Charlotte, NC.

Randy, Deliah, Christopher and Jonathan Lewis of Ennis spent the weekend with Delmon and Joyce Eaves and attended the Kokomo Stew Supper on Saturday night.

Glenda Priest and grandsons, Ryan and Kody Daniell of Abilene visited

during the weekend with Zelda Jordan and attended the stew supper. Zelda then spent Sunday night in Abilene with Glenda and they had dinner with Wade, Sheri, Ryan and Kody Daniell. Zelda had a check-up with a Rheumatologist on Monday.

Nancy Hendricks' visitors were Doris Bradshaw, Darlene Hampton, Ruth Bryant and Hope Joiner.

Jimmy and Maggie Nelson of Ft. Worth visited with Clifford Nelson and David and Cassie Brasher.

Lucille Joiner honored with retirement party

Lucille Joiner, who has retired from the Comanche County Telephone Co. was honored by her family with a retirement party on Feb. 28 at a restaurant in Arlington. Those present for the happy occasion with Lucille were

Hope Joiner, Billie Jeanne Grisham, Kathy Skaggs and Shana Mahan of De Leon, Beverly Gates of Houston, Wayne Grisham of Dallas, Donald Lee and Nita Joier of Houston, David and Sandra Joiner of Lindale, Vic Joiner of Dallas, Howard, Barbara and Julie Joiner of Arlington and Ernie and Joyce Bramlett of Stephenville. Ennis and Nina Beth Joiner of Gorman were unable to attend.

Ken Clearman of Arlington visited with his mother, Anna Laura Clearman during the weekend.

Zelda Jordan visited Frankie and Bill Eakin at Eastland on Wednesday. Linda, Kenneth and William Whitley visited with Zelda on Saturday.

Nina Koonce of Stephenville visited with Larry and Betty Strube on Wednesday.

De Leon Irrigation Supply, Inc. Honored

Lindsay, NEB.--Lindsay Manufacturing Company recently honored De Leon Irrigation Supply, Inc., of De Leon, Texas with the company's Circle of Excellence award at the Lindsay annual convention in Orlando, Fla. This award recognizes De Leon Irrigation Supply, Inc. for exceeding dealership performance standards in 1997 and taking extraordinary steps to ensure its continued success.

"Circle of Excellence dealers made major financial and personal investments in their dealership during 1997 to help guarantee that their customers continue receiving top-quality service," said Bob Snoozy, Vice President of Sales.

"Our business is becoming more high tech and sophisticated through computer controls and monitoring systems, he said. "In order for growers to receive the full benefit of all these technical advances, dealerships really need to know about them inside and out. Circle of Excellence dealers demonstrated this type of dedication and commitment."

One of these high-tech monitoring systems is Zimmatic's AIMS Telemetry Network, according to Snoozy. This system allows farmers to control, monitor and program multiple AIMS-equipped pivots from their personal computers. The network's customized, color-coded screens provide instant operations status. It also automatically compiles and stores information about each pivot including: hours of operation, water and chemical use, pumping cost and environmental data.

Zimmatic is a world leading manufacturer of irrigation equipment including center pivots, towable pivots, lateral moves and corner systems. The company, based in Lindsay, Neb., also offers a full line of automated irrigation control devices including AIMS Basic and Advanced panels, AIMS Telemetry Network and Remote Monitor Alarm and Control (R-MAC). Its products are used in more than 70 countries.



Pictured above: Jack Bloomer, Mike Stewart-Award Winner from De Leon Irrigation Supply, Inc., and Gary Parker.

ORDINANCE NOTICE

An ordinance calling and ordering a special election to be participated in by the qualified voters of the City of Gorman, Texas; setting an election date, said election to be held in accordance with the laws of the state of Texas and the ordinances of the City of Gorman, Texas and providing for severability and an effective date.

Be it ordained by the city commission of the City of Gorman, Texas that:

Section 1: There is hereby ordered a special election to be participated in by the qualified voters of the City of Gorman, Texas, to be held on the first Saturday in May, 1998, being the 2nd day of May, 1998 between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. at the Gorman Community Center, 120 South Kent Street, for the purpose of submitting to the qualified voters of the City of Gorman the propositions of whether or not the City of Gorman should adopt a 4A and 4B sales and use tax.

Section 2: The Mayor shall cause notice of the election to be published by posting notice of the election at a public place not later than twenty-one (21) days before the election, and by publishing notice, at least once, not earlier than the thirtieth (30th) day nor later than the tenth (10th) day before election day, in a newspaper published in the City of Gorman, Texas.

Section 3: The propositions submitted to the qualified voters of the City of Gorman, Texas shall be placed on paper voting ballots and absentee paper ballots as follows:

Proposition 1: The adoption of a sales and use tax within the City for the promotion and development of new and expanded business enterprises at the rate of one fourth (1/4) of one percent and the adoption of an additional sales and use tax within the City at a rate of one fourth (1/4) of one percent to be used to reduce the property tax rate.

Proposition 2: The adoption of an additional sales and use tax within the city at the rate of one half (1/2) of one percent to be used for but not limited to land, buildings, equipment and improvements and other purposes authorized by Section 4B, article 5190.6 VTCS and the operation and maintenance expense of any authorized project.

Section 4: If any section or part of any section or paragraph of this ordinance is declared invalid or unconstitutional for any reason, it shall not invalidate or impair the validity, force or effect of any other section or sections or part of a section or paragraph of this ordinance.

Section 5: This ordinance shall become effective immediately upon its adoption and approval, and it is so ordained.

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Eastland County property owners wishing to sign up for 1998 property tax exemptions and / or special use valuations may obtain the necessary applications at the office of the Eastland County Appraisal District. The Appraisal District office is located on the second floor of the Eastland County Courthouse, Eastland Texas. The necessary application may be requested by telephone by calling the Appraisal District office at 629-8597.

There are numerous property tax exemptions and / or special valuations available through the Texas Property Tax Code. A partial list of those available is given at the end of this article. If a property owner has a question as to his or her eligibility; they should contact the Eastland County Appraisal District for assistance.

Home owners can take advantage of the partial homestead exemptions available. As much as \$15,000 in value can be applied to your school district taxes if you qualify for the residential homestead exemption. The completed exemption application must be filed by May 1, 1998. This exemption does not have to be re-applied for each year. If the residential home owner still resides in the same house for 1998 that he or she lived in last year; and they received a homestead exemption for 1997; they do not need to re-apply for 1998.

An exception to this would be a person who received the regular homestead exemption in 1997; but has turned sixty-five (65) years of age during the 1997 year. This person would need to re-apply as he or she would now be eligible for an additional or increased exemption in an amount available to those over sixty-five (65) years of age. Due to recent changes in the tax code, you should contact the Appraisal District for information if you turn 65 years of age during the year. You may be eligible for an increased exemption amount for the current year.

If you have a question as to whether you are receiving a homestead exemption or as to your eligibility for one of the available exemptions or special valuations; please contact the Eastland County Appraisal District for information and assistance.

Among the partial exemptions and / or special valuations available are: Residential Homestead, Over-65 Residential Homestead, Residential Disabled or Disability Exemption, Disabled Veteran and Special Valuation of Open Space Land (Ag-Use)

SPECIAL AGRICULTURAL VALUATION AVAILABLE

The following information is provided to property owners within Eastland County in compliance with publication requirements of the Texas Property Tax Code.

If you are the owner of land that is being currently used for some type of Agricultural use or activity; you may qualify your land for a special use valuation for Ad valorem tax purposes.

Landowners who have not already filed must file for special use valuation with the Eastland County Appraisal District by April 30, 1998. The Texas Constitution provides for two (2) types of Agricultural productivity appraisal. Article 8, Sec. 1-d-1 allows what is known as Open Space Land appraisal; while Article 8, Sec. 1-d allows agricultural use appraisal. The requirements for applying and qualifying both the land and the owner are different for each of the two types.

Most property owners apply for the 1-d-1 or Open Space appraisal. This special appraisal requires that the land's use in a qualifying agricultural endeavor meets the degree of intensity generally accepted in the area. The owner must show that the land's use is devoted principally to agricultural use and that it has been for at least five (5) of the preceding seven (7) years.

Landowners should be aware that the law does require a rollback to be incurred when the qualified land is taken out of agricultural use. The rollback tax includes the difference between the taxes paid under agricultural appraisal and the taxes that would have been paid if the land had been on the tax roll at market value. The law also requires that the rollback tax include interest charges of seven (7) percent per year.

The application must be submitted on a form prescribed by the Property Tax Division of the State Comptrollers office. The application must contain the information necessary to determine the validity of the application.

To apply for the Open Space Land valuation or the Agricultural Appraisal use valuation on your land; you should contact the Eastland County Appraisal District.

The filing deadline for this and other available special valuation is April 30, 1998. For Additional information or to request an application; call or come by the Eastland County Appraisal District office. The telephone number is 629-8597 and the office is located on the second floor of the Eastland County Courthouse, Eastland, Texas.

Susie Quinn Democratic Candidate For County Treasurer

Continued From Page One

two sons, Johna resides in Eastland County at Rising Star with her son Zachary and her husband Codey. Amy is a speech therapist in Grapevine, Texas and is married to a policeman. Jason, is in the military serving at Fort Carson, Colorado and is on stand-by alert for orders to the Middle East pending the continuing negotiations. Jay, the youngest is a nursing student in Detroit, Michigan. He chose nursing because he lost his 8 month old daughter to AIDS and plans to return to Texas upon graduation to help other parents who face this dilemma. Ervel's job as Regional Manager for PIMMS Corporation keeps him traveling all over the United States, which means Susie and Ervel could live anywhere in Texas but they chose Eastland County because it is such a great place to live.

A brief overview of the duties of a County Treasurer include but are not limited to the receiving, keeping and accounting for, paying, applying and disbursing all monies belonging to the county from whatever source. The County Treasurer is the chief custodian of county finances. All elected and appointed officials turn in reports along with their money to the County Treasurer. The money is received and deposited into the County Depository.

The accounts must be balanced each month with the band the with the Auditor's office. The County Treasurer is also responsible for paying and disbursing all of the County's money. The County Treasurer is one of the required signatures on all disbursed checks. A treasurer's report is prepared and submitted to the Commissioner's Court monthly, quarterly and annually. County payroll is generally done in the County Treasurer's office. The also includes the preparation of all related state and federal reports and the filing of payroll registers, time sheets, and personnel files. The County Treasurer is also the records manager for the office and must stay current with the law in knowing what records are permanent and what records are subject to destruction and when they are to be destroyed. The County Treasurer is also responsible for maintaining the Investment Policy for the County and serves as Chairperson of the County's Investment Committee. The County Treasurer is also responsible for the filing of reports for court costs which belong to the State Comptroller's office. The County Treasurer is also the chief liaison between the county the banks. The County Treasurer serves as a facilitator for social security, county retirement, group health insurance, deferred compensation, and savings bonds deductions for county employees. The law also prescribes that a County Treasurer must be certified or removed from office by the County Commissioners. In addition to being experienced in the laws and duties of the County Treasurer's office, Quinn is experienced in working with other elected and appointed officials. Susie understands the importance of checks and balance in County government. Quinn has fourteen years governmental experience (9 1/2 years in the Ector County Treasurer's office and 4 1/2 years as City Secretary) and fifteen years experience working in the private sector, which include banking, income tax preparation, bookkeeping and accounting.

Susie's education includes Odessa Junior College, the Univer-

sity of Texas of the Permian Basin, both located in Odessa where she majored in government and accounting; Texas A & M, at College Station, where she receive her certification as County Treasurer (CCT), and the University of North Texas, in Denton, where she received her certification as a Texas Registered Municipal Clerk (TRMC).

Susie's willingness to work is shown in her involvement with civic activities and she would bring that same involvement to County activities. Recently, she served as Co-Assistant Chairman of the Eastland Centennial committee. She also did all the Treasurer's duties for that committee. Susie assisted the Eastland Economic Development Corporation for three years, and maintained the books for the Treasurer. Susie has been the alternate delegate for the Texas Midwest Committee Network Association for three years. Susie served as Treasurer for the Family Outreach Services of Abilene for two years. Susie is a former 4-H leader.

After reading Susie Quinn's statement of candidacy, seeing her enthusiasm for wanting the job as Eastland County Treasurer, you will agree that her candidacy deserves very sincere consideration. Your vote in the Democratic Primary and your continued support in Susie's campaign would be greatly appreciated. Early voting began February 23 and will continue through March 6 at the Eastland County Courthouse. Primary voting is March 10.

Pd. Pol. Adv. by Susie Quinn, P. O. Box 681, Eastland, Texas 76448.

Gorman ISD Menu

March 9th thru March 13th
Breakfast

MONDAY- Cereal, toast, jelly, juice, milk
TUESDAY-Sausage & Pancake on stick, syrup, juice, milk
WEDNESDAY-Scrambled eggs, sausage, toast, jelly, juice, milk
THURSDAY-Oatmeal, toast, juice, milk
FRIDAY-Sausage biscuits, gravy, juice, milk

Lunch

MONDAY-Tuna or Pimento cheese sandwiches, veg. soup, crackers, choc. cupcakes, milk
TUESDAY-Sliced turkey, peas and carrots, creamed potatoes, hot rolls, gravy, cinnamon crisp bar, milk
WEDNESDAY-Lasagna, salad, corn on cob, peaches, hot rolls, milk
THURSDAY-Chicken casserole, green beans, salad, hot rolls, brownies, milk
FRIDAY-Cheeseburgers, lettuce, tomato, onions, pickles, fries, milk

INTERNET CLASSES

Internet classes will be held at the local office in Eastland on Thursday night, March 5th at 6:30 p.m. The address is 925 E. Main, phone (254) 629-3278. The classes are FREE for all Eastland Internet customers and you will receive a printed layout of the complete class structure. Please e-mail us at bryrus@eastland.net and reserve your seat, as we may have more attending than we can possibly seat.

First time attending from Palo Pinto, Stephenville and Mineral Wells, get a \$5.00 discount on next month's service. We would like to have classes in other towns as well, but there just doesn't seem to be enough customers interested to justify the expense. So maybe the discount procedure can help on the ones that are interested.

Sharing With Brother Bob

By Bob Beeman

What a beautiful day Wednesday was! Driving back from Brownwood I could think of hundreds of things that needed doing but playing hookey was at the top of the list. That's where I started my visit with my friends at Heritage Manor; playing hookey.

S.D. Gilmore was the only one willing to admit to skipping school. He liked to drive around. Then there was the time his whole class, teachers included, skipped out on an April 1st and went down to the creek to play.

Ollie Halcomb liked to get out and walk around the house on pretty days. She couldn't go far because she had three little sisters to watch. She could also get out and chop wood for the cook stove and fireplace. She agreed that the person responsible for chopping wood liked the house cooler than anyone else.

Cynthia Earles had to slop the hogs, draw water, and do the milking and she never split a drop. Though she did get struck by lightning one time, and split a bucket of plums.

Veno Hale cleaned the coal oil (kerosene) lamp globes and milked. She remembers milking one time when the cat came in the barn. The cow stepped on the cat's tail. The cat screamed, the cow jumped, the can ran out the door, Veno and the milk hit the floor. She remembers another time that she had finished the milking and it was raining. She was rinsing the milk cooler pan with rain water flowing out from the roof gutter. Next thing she was flat on her back; lightning struck her! Then there was the time she snuck some snuff. It hit her all at once. She fell backwards off the fence into the hog pen. She said she never tried it again.

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Hope for Honest Liars

By Dane Gressett

"You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor." (Exodus 20:16)

The ninth commandment exposes the sin of lying. Lies are sins against others and the Truth itself. This is why our consciences reprove us when we lie. At least a child's conscience does. Someone who continues to sin against the dictates of their conscience will become hardened or seared in conscience. After a while the person can lie without knowing or even caring.

"Half lies," "white lies," "stretching the truth," or just withholding the

truth from someone who deserves to know it are all outright lies in God's sight. The Bible calls the Spirit of God "the Spirit of Truth." The devil is called the father of lies and of all liars: "You are of your father the devil, and you want to do the desires of your father...Whenever he speaks a lie, he speaks from his own nature; for he is a liar, and the father of lies." (John 8:44)

If you have ever lied then you are a liar. God will judge "all liars," big or small: "But for the cowardly and unbelieving and abominable and murderers and immoral persons and sorcerers and idolaters and ALL LIARS, their part will be in the lake that burns

with fire and brimstone." (Revelation 20:8)

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Business Personal Property Renditions Due

The deadline for the filing of 1998 business personal property renditions is April 15, 1998. Section 22.01 of the State Property Tax Code requires that all business personal property be rendered each year.

Rendition forms were mailed out to all local business owners in early January by the Eastland County Appraisal District. If you own a business in Eastland County and did not receive a rendition form or would like assistance in completing it, please contact the Eastland County Appraisal District at 629-8597 in Eastland. The office is located on the second floor of the Eastland County Courthouse.

HERITAGE MANOR NEWS

By Nancy Hendricks

It was a gala affair on Thursday, February 26 at 1:30 p.m. when the Bailey Band came and entertained. February honorees were Ollie Halcomb, Annie Hale, Ora Mae Atchison, Sarah Ann Mize and Patty Whitehorn.

Bailey Band members were Dewey Bailey, Ann Keith, Vardie Huff and Bernice Farley and Raymond Hart.

Furnishing birthday cakes were Susie Quinn, Ima Lee Burleson and Anna Rush.

Each honoree was presented a beautiful corsage from the home. Others sending gifts were First Baptist Church, Church of Christ and First United Methodist Church.

Residents present were Sarah Ann Rainey Mize, Ollie Halcomb, Ora Mae Atchison, Patty Whitehorn, Vadis Phelps, Myrtle Hale, Frank Rhymes, Iola Johnson, Hazle Wisdom, Cynthia Earles, Veno Hale, Inez Rogers, Irene Heathington, Sibyl Urban, Velma Bennett, Jack Bellows, Rubye Jones, Dorothy Beaty, Maggie Hamiton, Ava Rodgers, S.D. Gilmore, Effie Mae Brown, Varona Taylor, Ruby Vandergriff.

Guests were Raymond and Vivian Hart, Dewey and Tola Bailey, Bernice Farley, Vardie Huff and Ann Keith, Susie Quinn, Ima Lee Burleson, Nelda Keith, Pat Gaham, Nancy Hendricks and Ina Smith.

Visiting Sibyl Urban were Don and Nell Sherman of Eastland and Ina Reynolds of Carbon.

On Thursday morning Ina Smith had exercises and reading for Effie Mae Brown, S.D. Gilmore, Ollie Halcomb, Veno Hale, Irene Heathington, Cynthia Earles, Varona Taylor and Patty Whitehorn.

Visiting Voleta Richardson were Jo Etheredge, Mayvis Lasater and Nancy Hendricks.

Some of Mary Williams guests were Irene West, Peggy Brooks of Clyde, Ina Reynolds of Carbon, Lavoyce Hirst, Durwood Webb, Maxine Frasier of De Leon, Mayvis Lasater, Nancy Hendricks and Ruth Bryant.

Ina Smith had a word game on Friday. Each word had to start with the letter F. Present were Velma Bennett, Varona Taylor, Cynthia Earles, A.V.

Seay, Inez Rogers, Effie Mae Brown, S.D. Gilmore, Ollie Halcomb, Veno Hale, Iola Johnson, Irene Heathington.

Visiting Iola Johnson were Ina Reynolds, Nell Sherman, Della Gallo-way, Mayvis Lasater.

Playing bingo with Ina Smith on Friday were Patty Whitehorn, Inez Rogers, irene Heahtington, Ollie Halcomb, Varona Taylor, Veno Hale, Cynthia Earles, Iola Johnson, A.V. Seay, Velma Bennett, S.D. Gilmore, and Effie Mae Brown.

Visiting Maggie Snider were Jewel Snider, Diana Snider, Alma Dickerson, Ima Brown, Mayvis Lasater and Ruth Bryant.

On Monday enjoying exercises with Ina Smith were Cynthia Earles, Veno Hale, Frank Skiles, Ollie Halcomb, Inez Rogers, patty Whitehorn, S.D. Gilmore, Effie Mae Brown, Iola Johnson, and Ruby Vandergriff.

We are happy to report Velma Bennett has returned home from the De Leon hospital.

Visiting Frank Skiles were M.L. Skiles, Ron and Nina Skiles and Mayvis Lasater.

We are sorry to report A.V. Seay is a patient in the DeLeon hospital.

Visiting Effie Mae Brown were Louise Hollywood, Mary Ficklen of Desdemona, Alpha Mae Andry, Willo Rice and Mayvis Lasater.

Some of Hazel Wisdom's guests were Audrey Pond, Virgie Dennis, Pat Kincannon, Bob Wisdom, Eloise Williams and Mayvis Lasater.

Visiting Annie and Veno Hale were Jimmy and Vera Lee Little, Alpha Mae Andry, Ruth Bryant and Nancy Hendricks.

Visiting Irene Heathington were Cassie Freeman and Jimmy Seale of Brownwood, Ken and Betty Heathington and Mayvis Lasater.

On Sunday morning Hershall Cordell of First Baptist Church taught the Sunday School lesson for Irene Heathington, Veno Hale, Varona Taylor, Inez Rogers, Ollie Halcomb, Cynthia Earles, and Ora Mae Atchison.

Some of Inez Rogers and Ora Mae Atchisons guests wer Buddy Rogers of Ranger, Jean Smith of Irving, Georgie Ann Iley of Desdemona, Chesley Atchison, Virgie Dennis, Fay and

Denzel Ables, nina Joiner, Della Gallo-way, Brenda Boyd, Fred Rogers, Velma Carr, Roma Jewel Hood and Ima Lee Burleson.

At 2:30 on Sunday Bro. T.D. Whitehorn had the devotional for Patty Whitehorn, Cynthia Earles, Ora Mae Atchison, Inez Roger, Effie Mae Brown, S.D. Gilmore, Veno Hale, Varona Taylor, Irene Heathington, and Ollie Halcomb. Guests were Ruth Bryant and Nancy Hendricks.

Visiting Ollie Halcomb and Dorothy Beaty were David and Denna Halcomb and Mayvis Lasater.

Residents sure appreciated the good magazines given by Mrs. Fay Files of Dallas. Thanks to Barbra Tucker for delivering them.

Some of Ava Rodgers guests were Jimmy and Wilda Rodgers of Midlothian, Ken and Betty Sue Heathington of Tenn., Ima Brown, Jana Grice, Mallory May, Nancy Hendricks, Ruty Bryant and Mayvis Lasater.

Ina Smith helped with "Crazy Bingo" and they reported it was lots of fun; playing were Veno Hale, Varona Taylor, Ollie Halcomb, Inez Rogers, Irene Heathington, S.D. Gilmore, Effie Mae Brown, Velma Bennett and Iola Johnson.

Visiting Myrtle Hale were Nina Skiles, Argie and Marjie Hale, Ennis and Nina Joiner, David Joiner, Lonnie Hampton, Audrey Pond, Linda, Janice and Diana Glover, Tom and Joy Grimm and Tanner Monson of Arlington.

Thelma Lucille Hampton
Thelma Lucille Hampton, 84, passed away Friday, Feb. 27, 1998. Services were held Sunday, March 1 at 2 p.m. in the Higginbotham Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. Craig Rhoton officiating. She was buried in the De Leon Cemetery.

She was a homemaker and a member of First Baptist Church.

She is survived by her husband, Lonnie Hampton of Gorman; one daughter and son-in-law, Joy and Tom Grimm of Arlington; one sister, Avis Branson of De Leon; 4 grandchildren, 5 greatgrandchildren.

Visiting Ed Johnson were Fay Johnson, Dane Gressett, Edgar Reynolds.

On Tuesday those coming for the sing-a-long were Willo Rice, Edith Wampler, Connie Lewis, Alpha Mae Andry, Nina Joiner, Nancy Hendricks, Daisy Slaton, T.D. Whitehorn and Zelda Jordan. Residents were Veno Hale, Ollie Halcomb, Patty Whitehorn, S.D. Gilmore, Effie Mae Brown,

Myrtle Hale, Irene Heathington, Varona Taylor, Cynthia Earles, Dorothy Beaty and Inez Rogers.

Visiting S.D. Gilmore were Alpha Mae Andry, Willo Rice, Durwood Webb, Louise Hollywood.

Bonnie Cox, Billy and Janda Taylor visited Varona Taylor.

On Tuesday morning Betty Duke of Desdemona came and played they electric guitar and sang for S.D. Gilmore, Effie Mae Brown, Veno Hale, Ollie Halcomb, Myrtle Hale, Inez Rogers and Irene Heathington.

On Tuesday afternoon a group assembled and made Easter Eggs from cut up paper. They were Cynthia Earles, Myrtle Hale, Inez Rogers, S.D. Gilmore, Effie Mae Brown, Ollie Halcomb, Veno Hale, Irene Heathington, Veno Hale.

Some of Vadis Phelps visitors were Fay Tucker, Birdie Hogan, Elnora Lindley, Kelly Carruth, Mitzi McGaha and Mayvis Lasater.

We are happy to report Jack and Mildred Bellows are back home. Jack has been a patient in the Eastland hospital and Mildred has been in the Eastland hospital and was at Hendricks hospital in Abilene for a week. Some of their guests were Howard and Ella Thompson of Eastland, Darrell and Pat Graham, Dena Tidmore of Midlothian.

Mayvis Laster visited Ola Walker, Ina Mae Tarrance, Lovenia Blair, Ruby Vandergriff.

On Wednesday Bro. Scott Shepherd brought chapel for Ora Mae Atchison, Patty Whitehorn, Varona Taylor, Cynthia Earles, Inez Rogers, Iola Johnson, Veno Hale, S.D. Gilmore, Effie Mae Brown, Myrtle Hale.

Some of Beatrice O'neals guests were Zina Simpson, Odie Brightwell, Eunice Love, Mayvis Lasater, Annie Fay Foster, Nancy Hendircks, Ricky, Gena, Connie and David Rone.

Time with Bro. Bob Beeman on Wednesday was a visit back in the good old days when everyone had the after school chores to do. Some funny answers came from Patty Whitehorn, Inez Rogers, Cynthia Earles, Veno Hale, Ollie Halcomb, S.D. Gilmore, Effie Mae Brown, Irene Heathington and Iola Johnson.

Some of Velma Bennett's guests were Icy Munn, Nancy Hendricks and Ruth Bryant.

Resdients appreciated to good magazines Juanita Files gave.

Visiting Ruby Jones and Patty Whitehorn were Jerry Brown, Vicki, Tyler, and Seth Johnson, Rev.T.D. Whitehorn, Mayvis Lasater.

The Animal Control Officer has started writing fines. He has 5 puppies, lab mix, to give away at the shelter. 1 brown dog, lab mix, 1 brown and black lab mix which were picked up.

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