

City - School Board Elections Held

The following are the results from the local elections held on Saturday, May 1st.

For the Gorman School Board of Trustees, two at large seats, Glen Glasson received 139 votes, Freddie Gilmore received 115 votes and Gregg Goode received 144 votes.

For City Commission Place One - Kenneth Good received 122 votes while Ken Wheeler received 43 votes.

For City Commission Place Three - Bill Vaughn received 87 votes and Robert Ervin received 80 votes. Bill will be sworn in at the next City Commission meeting on Thursday, May 6th at 5:00 p.m.

All District 6-AA Softball For 1999

MVP - Melinda Garcia - De Leon - Senior
NEWCOMER OF THE YEAR: Lori Bates - Early - Freshman

- First Team** —
- P - Kim Carlton - Gorman - Senior
 - P - Summer Sleeper - Hamilton - Senior
 - C - Dayberly Hopper - Early - Sophomore
 - C - Rosemary Moreno - De Leon - Junior
 - IF - Ami Cantwell - Early - Junior
 - IF - Breanne Rhoton - Gorman - Senior
 - IF - Miranda Speer - Ranger - Senior
 - IF - Teresa Lesley - De Leon - Junior
 - IF - Amy Stephens - De Leon - Senior
 - OF - Doshia Singleton - De Leon - Sophomore
 - OF - Racheal Rainey - Gorman - Sophomore
 - OF - Melissa Methvin - Early - Senior
 - OF - Ashlee Harris - Hamilton - Senior
 - UT - Niki Chavarria - De Leon - Freshman

- Second Team** —
- P - Brandi Williams - Evant - Junior
 - P - Carol Beighley - Ranger - Junior
 - C - Samantha Goode - Gorman - Senior
 - C - Candice May - Hamilton - Junior
 - IF - Lamie Thames - Early - Senior
 - IF - Lindsey Methvin - Early - Sophomore
 - IF - Alma Sanchez - Gorman - Junior
 - IF - Letha Montgomery - De Leon - Senior
 - IF - Talisha Rogers - De Leon - Junior
 - IF - Kristen Wilson - Ranger - Freshman
 - OF - Emilia Zarate - Ranger - Junior
 - OF - Joanna Garcia - De Leon - Freshman
 - OF - Eva Rodriguez - Gorman - Sophomore
 - OF - Melissa Pettitt - Early - Freshman
 - UT - Amy Erwin - Ranger - Freshman
 - UT - Hope Henry - Early - Freshman

- Honorable Mention** —
- IF - Emerald Guthery - Gorman - Sophomore
 - IF - Heather McGlothlin - Gorman - Junior

Drum Major and Twirlers Named



DRUM MAJOR — Levi Roberts will be the Drum Major for the 1999-2000 Gorman Panther Marching Band.



TWIRLERS — Twirlers for the 1999-2000 Gorman Panther Marching Band will be Madelyn Wilkins and Amanda Janecek.

ITEMS OF INTEREST

BAND CONCERT — The Gorman High School Spring Band Concert will be held May 20th at 7:00 p.m. in the High School Auditorium.

COMMITTEE MEETING — The Peanut Festival Committee Meeting will be on May 12th at 5:30 p.m. at the Senior Citizens Center.

Awards Banquet Set Tuesday, May 18

The Panther Spirit Club will host the Annual Awards Banquet, Tuesday, May 18th at 7:00 p.m. at ZJ's Steakhouse. This Banquet will be to recognize the Academic, and Athletic accomplishments of all High School Students at Gorman High School.

Students meals will be covered by the Spirit Club. All other guests and parents will be \$7.50 each at the Door. 12 years and under will be \$4.00 each (Buffet Style).

If there are any business or individuals that would like to donate money to help cover the students meals, it would be appreciated. You may see Brent Foster or Coach Curlee, if you would like to make a donation.

Everyone is welcome. Please come and support our local youth.
Thank You, The Panther Spirit Club

Baby Contest Slated For Saturday, May 29th

If you would like to enter please contact Becky Laminack at 254-734-3263 or Trisha Savage at 254-734-2285.

Ages range from 0 to four years old - boys and girls. Please contact us by May 1st.

Outsider's Volleyball Tournament Slated

The Gorman Senior Travel Club is sponsoring an Outsider's Volleyball Tournament, May 13th, 14th, 15th. Men's, Women's and Mixed. Entry deadline is May 10th. Call Renae at 254-639-2211 or Kelly at 254-647-1033.

Flag Corp Named For Panther Band



The Flag Corp for the 1999-2000 Gorman Panther Band will be Christina Mauney, Pam Osborne Co-Captain, Rachel Rainey, Ashley Rich, Jana Miears, and Bobby Jo Grissom - Captain.

Coaches Corner By Coach Curlee

We are finally starting to wind down what has been a very busy year in Gorman Athletics. The spring time is by far our busiest time with 6 sports going on both in the high school and junior high. This spreads the coaching staff very thin, with some coaches doubling up to help in other sports. It is equally as busy for our athletes as a lot of them are participating in two, and some three sports. All of which are going on pretty much at the same time. We encourage all of our athletes to participate in as much as they can, and we will help them work out their practice times and conflicts. This takes an entire coaching staff working together knowing that we are all sharing the same kids in our respective sports. The staff has worked great throughout all of our spring activities, and encouraged the kids in what ever they have attempted.

The only two sports going on at this time are baseball and junior high volleyball. The baseball team will host Strawn here on Friday, May 7th for a 5:00 ballgame, and the final game will be Tuesday, May 11th when Gordon will travel here also for a 5:00 game. The junior high volleyball team will be traveling to Bangs this Saturday, May 8th for a tournament, and on Monday, May 10th we will travel back to Bangs for a game that will start at 4:00.

The all district softball team has been chosen, and Gorman place a lot of girls on at least one of the teams. Congratulations to the girls that made these teams, and also on your successful playoff season. This is the fourth straight year for the softball team to reach the playoffs, which is something that we are very proud of, and hope they can continue their playoff string for a long time.

Our track season came to a close this past weekend with the regional track meet held in Abilene. Bradley Gilmore placed 7th in the region in the 110 meter high hurdles. We are very proud of Bradley and his efforts in the hurdles all spring. He has had a very good season in track, and I know is looking forward to his Senior year, and a chance to do even better.

I hope everyone remembers our upcoming Award Banquet to be held at ZJ's Steakhouse on Tuesday night, May 18th at 7:00 p.m. This banquet is held in honor of all of the students who participated in U.I.L. activities for the 1998-99 school year. We will honor all of the athletes as well as all of the students who participated in any other U.I.L. contest. We are planning a great banquet for this year, and one that you surely won't want to miss.

Remember the baseball games, volleyball games, and the awards banquet. Hope to see you in the stands the next time the Panthers or Lady Panthers are playing.

Richard Svarovsky Named To All-Stars

The rosters for the Southwestern Bell all-star basketball game have been released. Richard Svarovsky was named to the North all-stars. The game will be played on July 26 at 7:30 p.m. at Wilkerson-Greines Coliseum in Fort Worth. The game is held in conjunction with the Texas High School Coaches Coaching School. Those named were:

North all-stars-Marcus Bobb, Ponder; Roosevelt Brown, Duncanville; Charles Davis, Grand Prairie; Steven Edwards, Clarksville; Josh Faltesek, Amarillo High; DeMario Hooper, Texarkana Texas High; Houston Marquis, Krum; bingo Merriex; Wichita Falls High' Chris Ogden, Seminole; George Shrubs, Wellington; **Richard Svarovsky, Gorman**; Charles Tatum, Midland High

South all-stars-Marcus Campbell, West Oso; Kevin Daniel, Pine Tree; Brian DeLord, Hamshire-Fannett; Brandon Durham, Kennard; Wendell Greenleaf, Galena Park North Shore; Marcus Johnson, Austin LBJ; Sedrick Keyes, Brookshire Royal; B.J. Pratt, Converse Judson; Jason Pritchard, Livingston; Marcus Simmons, Hubbard; Steve Tarpley, Lipan; George Williams, Elkins

High School Students Compete At Solo Contest



The following students competed in UIL Choir Contest at Cleburne High School. They received the following ratings on their solos: Madelyn Wilkins - II; Bruce Sheppard - II; John Paul Sheppard - I; Tara Howard - II. John Paul qualified for State Solo Contest which is held in May at Southwest Texas State University in San Marcos. Congratulations to all of you.



The above students played Solos at Cisco Junior College. They received the following ratings: Amanda Janacek - I; Bobby Cox - I; Cindy Sanchez - II; Robert Lewis - I; and Robert Abbott - I. Congratulations to each of you.

Fireman Schools Set For July

Two schools will be held this summer to help volunteer firemen increase their skills and knowledge. The Municipal Fire School is scheduled for July 25-30, and the Hazardous Material Control School will be held July 18-23.

The Municipal Fire School offers courses in Firefighting, Fire Prevention, Fire Service Officers Development, and Disaster Rescue Operations, to name a few. Some of the classes offered at the Hazardous Material School include instruction in Air Monitoring Instrumentation for Hazardous Materials Emergencies, Chemistry for the Firefighters, and First Responder Hazardous Material Awareness/Operation.

Please call the Eastland Farm Bureau office at 254-629-1704 for more information about the schools.



OVERCOME WITH EMOTION — Elania is overcome by the generous "going away" gift Joe handed her at the beginning of the party. The extravagant gift was a Free Year's Subscription to The Progress.

Kokomo-Simpson Food Drive Assoc. Meeting Scheduled Held May 1

The annual Homecoming and Kokomo-Simpson Cemetery Association meeting was held at the Kokomo Community Center on Saturday, May 1. The meeting was moved from the tabernacle at the Simpson Cemetery because of the cold wind. It began to rain about the time we got inside the building. Nobody complained as we really need the rain.

Delmon Eaves, Chairman of the Association Committee, presided over the business meeting and led the opening prayer and gave the welcome. The secretary, Zeld Jordan, read the minutes of the last meeting and they were approved as read. Norma, Treasurer, gave the financial report and it was approved as given.

Bryan Lee Johnson and Zeld Jordan were reelected to two year terms on the Association Committee. Other committee members are Norma Webb, Patsy Collins, Martha Wood, Larry Strube. Delmon Eaves and Bill Eaves are lifetime Trustees.

Finis Johnson, 90, of Flatwood was the oldest person attending. There were no children in attendance so we didn't count the youngest, (thought, we think it was probably Donald Eaves of Carbon). Paula Morrow of Plains came the farthest.

Wayne Eaves of Desdemona dismissed the meeting in prayer and asked the blessing on the food. Lunch was spread on the tables and soon everyone was enjoying the good food and fellowship with one another.

The meeting is held the first Saturday in May each year so we hope to see you at the same time and same place next year.

Those who registered were: Dalton Reynolds of Granbury, Bobby Shugart of Granbury, Edgar Reynolds of Gorman, Larry and Betty Strube of Kokomo, Zeld Jordan of Kokomo, D.F. and Joyce Eaves of Kokomo, Norma Webb of Kokomo, Clifford Nelson of Carbon, Bryan and Jolene Johnson of Eastland, Nolan Treadway

Food Drive Scheduled

In conjunction with the National Association of Letter Carriers, the Gorman TX Post Office, is participating in their annual Letter Carriers Food Drive. The Food Drive will take place Saturday May 8, 1999. All non-perishable food items collected will be donated to the local food bank. You may place your non-perishable food donation by your mailbox on Saturday, May 8, 1999, and it will be picked up during the day. A collection box will also be available at the Gorman Post Office lobby on Saturday, May 8, 1999, if you would like to place a donation there, and for those who receive mail delivery through a Post Office Box, that would like to make a dona-

tion. Leaving your donation in a sack or bag on your mailbox, will make it easier when the collector comes by. And remember all donations will go to our local Food Bank.

of Snyder, Bill Eaves of Eastland, Wayne Eaves of Desdemona, Patsy Collins of Eastland, Mary (Norris) Robinson of Stephenville, Virida Mae (Eaves) Norris of Fort Worth, Dale and Lena Hawkins of Blanket, John Singleton of Allen and J.T. Singleton of Tyler.

Also Tommy and Jean Brightwell of Hurst, Ken and Mary Rogers of Eastland, Paula Morrow of Plains, Imogene Norris of Kokomo, Mary Webb of Cisco, Wanda Bryant of Carbon, Darrell Graham of Gorman, Nancy Hendricks of Kokomo, Wayne Miller of Grand Prairie, Harlan and Rhea Crawley of Arlington, Marjorie Treadway of Gorman, Finis Johnson of Flatwood, Odalee Thomas of Breckenridge, Othel Creager of Kaufman, Laneta Williamson of Dallas, Keith Gibbs and Chris Kindred of Stephenville, Donald Eaves and Verda Eaves of Carbon, Phyllis Wright of Eastland and Windell Treadway of Gorman.

The committee says thank you to all who gave donations at the meeting and to those who mailed their donations so we can pay for the upkeep of the Cemeteries. Delmon Eaves is our care-taker and he does an excellent job and we thank him and want him to know we appreciate the job he does.

Decorations Needed

We are needing old school memorabilia for decorations at the Awards Banquet, May 18th. The theme for this year's banquet is "Celebrate a Century of Achievement at Gorman High School".

If you have any memorabilia that we could use please contact Ann Heathington, 734-2616 school, or 734-3737 home.

Your assistance in this project is greatly appreciated.

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NOTICE

The Gorman Police Department will no longer be unlocking vehicles, unless it is an emergency.

Ordinance 1999-02

An ordinance of the city of Gorman, Texas adopting the budget for the City of Gorman, Texas, for the fiscal year beginning June 1, 1999 and ending May 31, 2000. Providing for the Intra and Inter Department and Fund Transfers; and declaring an effective date.

New Building For Spanish Mission

The Primera Iglesia Bautista has started meeting in their new building. It is located at 423 W. McCall. Services are held Sundays at 9:45-12 noon and on Thursdays at 7:00 p.m.

Sharing with Bob

by Robert Beeman

This visit at Heritage Manor my friends and I had fun. We were in good spirits with spring right around the corner. Nobody could think of a place to start our reminiscing so I (having just been in to see the Dr. for a check-up) asked about seeing the Dr. as a child.

A.V. Seay didn't ever remember seeing one 'til after she was grown up & married. Velma Bennett said the Dr. came out to the house in a buggy, if he had time, otherwise he sent back word to "take some castor oil." Jack Bellows said he was too mean for the Dr. to help him, so he never went.

I asked how the Dr. got out to see people. Mostly on horseback, until the roads got better, then by buggy. This started an argument about whether it was a buggy, buckboard, or surrey. I tried to change the subject by asking what he wore. Seems black boots (in bad weather) or shoes, dark suit with long coat, and black felt hat. All shirts worn with suits were white with changeable collar & cuffs.

I asked about the local veterinarian. Nobody could remember knowing a person that only ate meat, so I asked about the local vet. He was like the Dr. Some had never seen one 'til they got older, & then only once a year or so. (No TB tests for cows back then & no routine shots for rabies) The vet wore waist pants (pants that require a belt at the

Essie Shugart Honored on 90th Birthday



Essie Mae (Reynolds) Shugart was honored with a 90th birthday reception held on April 11, 1999 in the Woman's Wednesday Club House in Granbury. The event attended by over 50 family and friends was hosted by her children:

Bobby & Betsy Shugart and Ernestine Shugart (widow of her son, Delmer) of Granbury; Jerry & Sylvia Shugart of Clovis, NM and Brenda Kay & Roger Martin of Comanche. Assisting with hostessing duties were her grandchildren and great-grandchildren: Kathy & Mike Stembridge, Joshua & Caleb Gibson of Fort Worth; Darla, Sherman, Alissa and Ryan Gardner of Bowie; Julia & Jammy Pate and Dana Martin of Comanche; Catherine Martin of San Marcos; and Bobbie Gayle & Ron Young of Stephenville.

Essie's two brothers, Edgar Reynolds of Gorman and Dalton Reynolds of Granbury were there to help her celebrate this momentous occasion. Other family members who attended were her nieces and nephews: Anna Bell Gooden of DeLeon, Eddie & Nelda Reynolds of Pharr; Don & Sammie Smith of Mead, OK; Sue & Nelson Rutter of Clovis, NM; De Anne Mobley of Shawnee, OK; G.L. & Doris

waist) and a work shirt (khaki or denim), sometimes with a vee neck sweater. Usually a cap instead of a hat. Once or twice the Drs. had to be paid with chickens, but mostly people didn't go unless they were real sick, and then they paid with hard money. Veno Hale remembers a day that she and Skeeter Davis went by the Blackwell Hospital looking for work. The nurse had been taking a nap on the operating table and fallen off and all the Drs. were "out runnin' round the country" so the Head Dr. (having had to treat the nurse for bruises) said he should fire everyone and hire them (but he didn't).

'til next time, Brother Bob

— J —

You will be hearing a new voice on the telephone and greeting you when you come into the office. Elania has moved on to greater things and we have hired Jackie Gutierrez to replace her.

We felt blessed when we were able to secure Elania to take over the office duties and she has done a marvelous job for us and the folks sure treated her royally during her time with us. We sure hated to see her leave, but at the same time we are glad for her to secure a better position. She will be at the Dublin Family Care Clinic and we wish her the best. It was a privilege to work with Elania, as she is such a caring person (and she helped to keep and Jake and I on the ball).

And now our prayers have been answered again as God has sent us Jackie to take over the place. She is well known in this area and is the daughter of Billy Joe Dennis. She was employed for many years with Parnell's Peanuts and is well qualified for this position as she has a great deal of computer experience and as soon as we get her acquainted with the duties here, she will do us a great job. I hope everyone will drop in and welcome her to the Progress Staff. She has three children in the Gorman Schools and is a true lover of the Gorman community. So drop in and wish her well because she will have a difficult job of keeping Jake and I in line. Thank God for his

Whitley of Bedford; Tommy & Bettie Brisco, Dwight & Melba Hoover, Keith & Louise Hillman, Opal Locke, Juanita McCauley, Doris Chamness and Wanda Crossland of Granbury.

The afternoon was spent with reminiscing and visiting and refreshments of cake, punch and coffee were enjoyed by all. Essie also received several gifts and many beautiful cards.

Essie is the widow of the late Roy Shugart of Gorman, and the daughter of the late Willie and Wilma Reynolds of the Gorman area. She has been living in Granbury for the past several years.

miracles.

— J —

Construction is really going along great on the new Post Office. The outer walls and roof has been completed. The roofing was put on last week and the building is shaping up. The brick has been delivered and will be laid as soon as the windows and doors are installed. Everything is looking great and soon we will have a new Post Office that we can really be proud of. We will have more photos as soon as construction progresses.

— J —

Have you noticed the new home of Freddie and Kay Rodgers out on FM 571 just east of Wilburn Overstreet. They have just completed new construction on their home and have put natural white stone on the exterior. It sure looks great and they have the stone in place to erect an entrance gate to their new home. If you haven't seen it, drive out and take a look.

— J —

The school year is winding down and is now in the last few weeks of the school year. This year has moved awfully fast and before you know it, the children will be out of school and enjoying the summer with all kinds of summer activities. We will need to be alert for the children being on the streets on the bikes and walking around town.

— J —

Tommy Clark now has the Clark Supply business open and underway. He handles Lumber, Hardware, Plumbing and Electrical Supplies. It's sure great to have this kind of stuff available here since Higginbotham's closed their doors. It sure makes it handy to just go by the supply store and pickup the items you need instead of having to drive out of town to get them. Drop by and tell Tommy you are glad the store is open here.

— J —

The old lumber yard is just about completely gone now as most of the buildings have been torn down and the final building is being moved off the property by Jack Harrison. The lot will be cleared and cleaned up. It sure looks odd now to see the old lumber yard gone.

— J —

And remember to smile -- because God Loves You!!!

Happy Mother's Day

Village Crafts & Gifts

Mother's Day is coming up this weekend and we are here to help you in finding that special gift for mom. We have floral arrangements, candles, knickknacks and hand crafted items that would please that special person. We will be open extended hours to better serve you. **We will be open Saturday morning at 10:00 a.m. and will be open until 10:00 p.m. that night. We will also be open Sunday morning at 11:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. that afternoon.** So come on by and find that special gift.

We also will do bridal registries and we have baby shower gifts. Our hours are Thursday 5:00 - 9:00 p.m. and Friday and Saturday 5:00 - 10:00 p.m. Our phone number is 734-3838. We are located across from ZJ's and next door to the City office.

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OFFICIAL NOTICE SPECIAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

TO: All members of Comanche Electric Cooperative

You as a member owner of the Cooperative are invited to attend a Catfish Dinner prepared by J. C. Cook at the De Leon City Hall, May 13, 1999 at 7:00 p.m. The purpose of this meeting is to consider changes to Comanche Electric Cooperative's Articles of Incorporation. This change would allow your Cooperative to offer additional services. Your attendance and ideas would be greatly appreciated.

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Mary Aline Burns Laid to Rest Monday

Mary Aline Burns, 60, died Saturday, May 1, at a DeLeon hospital. Graveside services were at 2 p.m. Monday in Oaklawn Cemetery with Scott Sheppard officiating. Mrs. Burns was born in Lark, Oklahoma. She was a homemaker. She married Willard Jackie Burns in Crane in 1956. Survivors include her husband, of Gorman; one son, Jackie Burns of Stamps, Ark.; two sisters, Janie Webb of Gardendale and Mae Cree of Odessa; three brothers, Tommy Gerald Carman and Roy Dean Carman, both of Odessa, and Jimmy Dale Carman of Texas City; three grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Nasario Gonzales Laid to Rest Monday

Nasario Gonzales, 36, died Friday, April 30, in DeLeon. Rosary was at 7 p.m. on Sunday. Graveside services were Monday at 2 p.m. with Father Phillip McNamara officiating. Mr. Gonzales was born October 10, 1962 in DeLeon. He lived in DeLeon where he was a construction worker. He is the son of Bill Gonzales and the late Maria Rodriguez Gonzales. Mr. Gonzales was preceded in death by his mother, Maria Gonzales February 5, 1993. Survivors include his father, Bill Gonzales of DeLeon; 3 sons, Robert Gonzales, Gabriel Gonzales and Harvey Gonzales, all of Dublin; 2 daughters, Frances Gonzales of Goodland, Kansas and Jessica Gonzales of Dublin; 4 brothers, Willie Gonzales of Scottsbluff, Nebraska, Frank Gonzales of North Platt, Nebraska, Santos Gonzales and Joe Gonzales, both of Mitchell, Nebraska; 7 sisters, Rosa Frausto, Dominga Rangel, Janie Gonzales, Ventura Chavarria and Mary Ann Gonzales, all of DeLeon; Ysabel Gomez of Lyman, Nebraska, and Adelina Calderon of Hico.

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Sand Hill Cemetery Assoc. Meeting May 22

The annual meeting of the Comanche County Sand Hill Cemetery Association will be held Saturday, May 22 at 10:00 a.m. at the cemetery grounds. The cemetery association urges anyone who has loved ones buried at Sand Hill to attend this important meeting and assist with the future of the cemetery. If you have any questions, comments, or wish to make a donation, please contact Jo Ann Notgrass (254-639-2523), Jim Frank (254-893-6778), Gracie Brown (915-356-2772), or Dorothy Goates (254-842-5489).

Young Farmer and Ranchers Launch Scholarship Program

The Texas Farm Bureau's Young Farmer and Rancher Committee has added to TFB's scholarship program with two new awards for Texas high school students who plan to study agriculture. The two new scholarships, worth \$2,000 each, will be funded through activities of the TFB Young Farmer and Rancher Committee. James Norris, president of the Eastland County Farm Bureau, says of the program, "We need our state's brightest and most energetic young people in the field of agriculture. These scholarships emphasize Farm Bureau's commitment to higher education." To be eligible, a high school senior must be a family member of Farm Bureau, and be willing to pursue a degree in some agricultural field. Applications must be submitted with postmarks no later than June 1, 1999. Scholarship recipients will be announced no later than July 1, 1999. Applications may be obtained from local County Farm Bureau offices, by calling 254-771-2286. Mail completed applications to: Texas Farm Bureau YF&R Scholarship, Attention Si Cook, P.O. Box 2689, Waco, Tx. 76702. "For Texas agriculture to compete in the twenty first century, we need to train young men and women for jobs on the farm, in the laboratory and in agribusiness," Mr. Norris said. "These scholarships will be added to those already tied in with our youth programs." Texas Farm Bureau now awards more than \$60,000 annually in youth scholarships.

TxDOT Seeks Applicants

Brownwood, Texas-The Texas Department of Transportation is seeking qualified applicants to receive Federal Grant money to provide transportation for the elderly and disabled persons. This program, known as Section 5310, provides funding to private nonprofit organizations, public entities and associations. These grants provide up to 80 percent of the cost for capital equipment such as buses, vans, or other paratransit vehicles, radios and communication equipment, vehicle rehabilitations, and purchase of services. Qualified projects will be selected for funding by TxDOT using quantitative measures such as coordination efforts, ability to meet service needs of elderly and/or disabled persons based on passenger trips per month, local match ability, hours of operation, ability to maintain equipment, average fleet mileage where applicable, and average fleet age where applicable. Organizations with the Brownwood District that are interested and are located in Brown, Coleman, Comanche, Eastland, Lampasas, McCulloch, Mills, San Saba, and Stephens counties should attend a meeting to be held at the Brownwood Texas Department of Transportation District Office on Friday, May 7, 1999 at 10:00 a.m. At this meeting, transportation needs as well as the Section 5310 Grant Program will be discussed and applications will be passed out. Anyone interested in applying for these funds should attend the meeting. Please contact Tamara Cope at (915)643-0448 for further information.

School Menu

For week of 5/10-5/14
Breakfast
 Monday-Cereal, toast, milk, juice
 Tuesday-Oatmeal, toast, milk, juice
 Wednesday-Eggs, toast, milk, juice
 Thursday-Sausage & pancake on a stick, syrup, milk, juice
 Friday-No school
Lunch
 Monday-Steak fingers, blackeyed peas, sliced buttered potatoes, cornbread
 Tuesday-Taco salad, refried beans, peaches, spanish rice
 Wednesday-Enchilada casserole, chili beans, salad, banana pudding, hot rolls
 Thursday-Hot dogs with chili & cheese, pork n beans, fresh apples
 Friday-No school
An Irish cow, Big Bertha, lived to the record age of 48 before her death in 1993. In addition, she gave birth to a record 39 calves.

DESDEMONA NEWS

By Vonnie Guthery

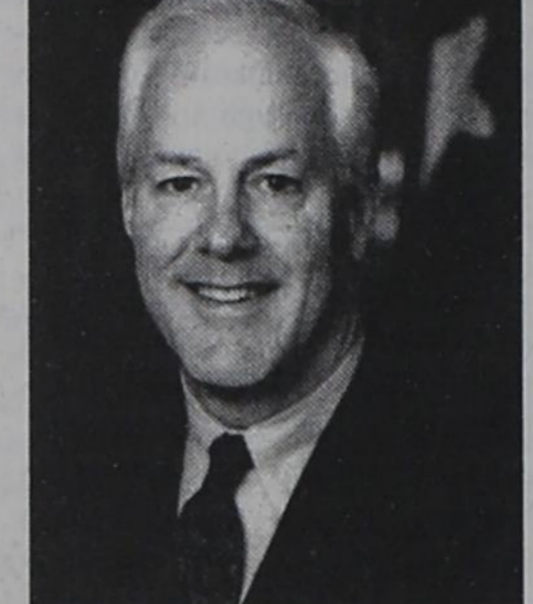
Robert White, 72, of Whittier, California passed away on Saturday, April 24. He was born in Desdemona on October 8, 1926 to Tad and Sylvia Lewis White who precede him in death. Survivors include two brothers, Bennie Dean White of Corpus Christ; Donald White of Ballinger, three sisters, Loraine White Caudle Woods of Long Grove, Oklahoma; Rosetta White Carlton of Carbon; Diantha White Dennis of Desdemona. Preceded in death by two sisters, Helen Loleta White, Genelle White Brumalow and his parents. Our sincere sympathy goes out to this family. Dorothy Roberts was in Fort Worth last Thursday to be with her great grandson, Tanner Weaver who had surgery to remove his tonsils. Tanner is the grandson of Kevin and Ulenda Roberts Weaver of Fort Worth. He is reported to be doing good following surgery.

Mary Lou Landers of Springtown is doing much better following her recent stroke. Her husband, the late L.C. Landers was pastor of the Desdemona First Baptist Church for several years. Her address is P.O. Box 1960, Springtown, Texas 76082. She would sure enjoy hearing from her friends in this area. She is unable to write due to the stroke affecting her right hand. Davis Holdman and Lori Garth of Sundown visited the past weekend with his parents, Albert and Pat Holdman. Albert and Davis were in Abilene on Friday night to attend a track meet that Davis' son was entered in. Jeff Roberts of Dallas visited Sunday with his mother, Dorothy Roberts. Kandice Martin is a member of the DeLeon High School Band and all the band enjoyed a trip to Padre Island and back through San Antonio on their way home. John and Mildred Lindell, Willa Mae Williams, sisters and brother-in-law of James Campbell from Eufaula, Oklahoma were weekend guests in the Campbell home. Patty Dold, Helen Dupue, Helen Grimshaw, Marie Patty and Louise Malby spent Wednesday in Hillsboro. Dixie Ryon and granddaughter Kristen Menzel spent Saturday in Abilene shopping.

Kristen Menzel spent the weekend in DeLeon with Mary Katharine Dickey daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Howard Dickey.

Ask the AG: How to Tell the Real Charities from the Scams

By John Cornyn, Attorney General of Texas



Q: I get a lot of phone calls from charities asking for money. I want to help people but how can I tell if these charities are real?

A: Texans are very generous people, willing to give money and time to those who are less fortunate. Unfortunately, some scam artists make a living off this generosity. Before you give any money, make sure your donation is not going into some crook's pocket. To determine if your contribution is going to a worthwhile charity, ask some basic questions. Who wants the money? If it is a charity you are not familiar with, get the full name and address and check it out with your local Better Business Bureau. Some questionable charities rely on using names that sound similar to well-known national charities. Ask to have written information on the organization mailed to you before you make any donation. Where does the money go? Ask the caller to send you an accounting or financial statement that details how the money is used. A legitimate organization will have no problem doing this. Does the charity use a professional fund raiser? This can be a warning sign, especially if a large percentage of the contributions go to administrative costs. While this is not illegal, it is not the most efficient use of your donation. Watch out for high-pressure tactics. Legitimate charities want you to be sure that you are donating to a worthy cause. You should be wary of any organization that insists on an immediate donation over the phone. Never give your credit card, bank account or social security numbers to a solicitor who has called you. Ask to be mailed a form and information on making a donation. Refuse if the caller offers to send a courier to pick up the donation. This is a sure sign of a scam. A few moments of research can ensure that your generosity benefits those who truly need it.

Q: I received a call from an organization that was raising money for police officers. I asked if the caller was a police officer and he said he wasn't but that he was raising money for them. He sounded suspicious. How do I know if they really are raising money for the police?

Bernard and Ann Keith spent the past two weeks in Louisville, Kentucky visiting their son, Brad and Priscilla Keith. Avie Taylor of DeLeon attended the Lowell Cemetery working day last Saturday. Wayen Eaves attended the Kokomo Simpson Cemetery working last Saturday. A "Badge fraud" occurs when an organization raises money for phony police or firefighters' charities. Unfortunately, these crooks make it very difficult for legitimate law-enforcement or firefighting charities to raise money. Just because an organization has "police" or "firefighter" in its name, doesn't mean that those people actually benefit. A sure sign of fraud is if the caller promises extra protection in exchange for a donation or threatens retaliation for a refusal. By law, police and fire departments, promoters working on their behalf and telephone solicitors for these organizations are required to post bond and register with the Secretary of State's Office. If these organizations are soliciting by telephone, they are required to register with the Attorney General's office as well. If you receive a call from one of these charities, ask its full name and address and whether or not it is registered. If you have a complaint about a specific charitable solicitation, contact your local Better Business Bureau, the Secretary of State's office or the Charitable Trusts Section of the Attorney General's office. You can reach the Secretary of State at 512-463-5555. Charitable Trusts can be reached at 800-337-3928. For more information on fundraising fraud, visit the FTC Web site at www.ftc.gov or the National Charities Information Bureau at www.give.org.



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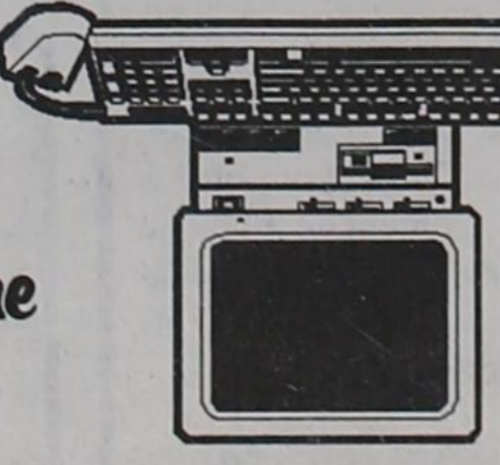
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The 10th annual Club Lamb/Meat Goat Sale is scheduled for Saturday, June 12, 7:30 p.m. at the Wylie FFA Showbarn, Abilene, Texas. This sale benefits the West Texas Rehab who was the recipient of over \$19,000 raised from last year's sale. These revenues go directly into treatment services for over 17,000 patients the Rehab serves each year. Lamb chairmen John Helmer of Merkel, Charlie Palmer of Clyde, Gaines Price of Roscoe, and Wade Stephens of Cross Plains are expecting close to 150 lambs from donors throughout Texas, Oklahoma, New Mexico, Nebraska, Missouri & Illinois for the sale this year. Jennifer Morris, goat chairman from Colorado City, expects around 75 goats to be donated from top Texas breeders. Only lambs and goats bought at this sale will be eligible for the Rehab Jackpot Show, December 11 at the Dortha Griffin Arena at Taylor County Expo Center. To donate a lamb or goat to the sale, call any of the chairmen or contact Danny Isbell at the Rehab Center in Abilene at 915-793-3507 or Dee Lackey at the Rehab Center in San Angelo at 915-223-6311.

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Bands Compete In Contest



Junior High Band



Elementary Band

The Jr. High and Elementary bands competed in concert & sightreading contests at Cisco Jr. College on March 31. Both bands received a II in concert and a II in sightreading. Congratulations to both bands. A special thanks to the following people for all your help: Crystal Snider, Catherine Clay, Nikki Forbus, Susie Hampton, Ruth Sheppard and Jeanene Hornback. I couldn't have made it without your help.

The following students made 1's on their solos and/or ensembles.
1st row—Amanda Hair, Sterling McCauley, Adam Spivey, D.J. Brown
2nd row—Frances Lewis, Andrea Files, Ashlee Hornback, Sharla Perez, Elizabeth Hipilito, Rachel Granado, Jessica Sheppard
3rd row—Kristina Everton, Kalyn Porter, Tana Goode, Shari Marlow, Kim Ibarra, Arianna Giles.



The following students made 2's on their solos and/or ensembles.
1st row—Hector DeLaTorre, Krista Brown, Nikki Keith, Luis Ramirez, Johnny O'Connor, Enrique Landa
2nd row—Samantha Regian, Ashlee Hornback, Jennifer Blaylock, Jessica Sheppard, Scott Lewis, Clint Jones



We had a good time at the Homecoming and Kokomo-Simpson Cemetery Association meeting on Saturday even though the weather was windy, cold and rainy, and the crowd was somewhat smaller than in past years. The meeting was moved to the Community center where it was much more comfortable, but everyone met at the Simpson Cemetery before deciding to move to the Community center. After business meeting, there was lots of good food to enjoy while visiting with friends and relatives.

Visitors at the Kokomo Baptist Church on Sunday morning were Larry Morrow of Plains, Gary and Rebecca Browning of Graham. "Happy Birthday" was sung to Mary Margaret Hudson and Ava Rodgers. Ava is a resident at Heritage Manor in Gorman and wasn't with us in the service, but we wanted her to know that we remembered her birthday and miss her. She does get to be with us when the Kokomo Baptist Church has the church services at Heritage Manor on second Sunday of each month.

The special music on Sunday morning was rendered by Aletha Burgess, Leona Wilson, Norma Webb, Ruby Lee Kinsler, Rebecca Browning, Helen Browning, Daryl Hirst, Oren Webb, Gary Browning, Jimmy Little, Joe Bond, and Woodrow Browning with Glynda Bond at the piano.

Those from the Kokomo Baptist Church attending the revival services at St. Joe Baptist Church on Wednesday night were Bro. Clarence and Leona Wilson, Woodrow and Helen Browning, Hope Joiner, Nancy Hendricks, Deane McNeil and Zelda Jordan.

Imogene Norris has returned home from a visit with Larry and Paula Morrow and Layne at Plains. Larry and Paula visited during the weekend with Imogene and Naoma Morrow and Gladys Morrow.

Those enjoying a family get-together in the home of Imogene Norris on Sunday were Larry and Paula Morrow and Layne Morrow of Plains, Lance Morrow and Lenny Morrow of Abilene, Ronnie and Jeanne Pack of Carbon, Cory Pack of Weatherford, Lacy Pack of Texas Tech at Lubbock, James and Jo Norris and Jason of Desdemona, Donald and Jodi Nabors and Matthew of Gorman, Gladys Morrow of Levelland and Naoma Morrow of Kokomo.

Lenny Morrow has completed his student teaching and will be graduating from Texas Tech. He will be teaching 9th grade Science and be an assistant coach in the Weatherford School system in the fall.

Carl and Rhea Crawley of Arlin visited with Larry and Betty

Strube on Saturday afternoon. Clifford Nelson recently visited in Boise, Idaho with a granddaughter and family, Tena, Gary, Caleb, Haley and Jordan Danley. He flew from DFW Airport, and visited with Jimmy and Maggie Nelson, and Teresa Quinton and Samantha Findley while in Fort Worth.

Pleas and Pat Reneau of Ranger, Mary McCall of Baytown and Clifford Nelson of Carbon visited with David and Cassie Brasher on Saturday.

Winsford Jumper of Houston visited from Thursday until Monday with his sister, Hazel Snider. Gene and Kay Snider, Mike Snider and Danny Snider had lunch with Hazel and Winsford on Friday. A niece, Doris and Bud Smith of Abilene visited with them in the afternoon. Dwayne and Connie Snider and Conner Spencer of Stephenville visited with them on Friday night, and Ted Snider and Justin Snider of Abilene visited with them on Saturday.

WINSFORD JUMPER HONORED ON 89TH BIRTHDAY

Winsford Jumper who was visiting here from Houston was 89 on Saturday, and was honored with a Birthday dinner on Sunday at the Opry House in Gorman by his sister, Hazel Snider and her family. The dinner was complemented with a beautiful birthday cake with candles.

Those attending and helping Winsford celebrate were Hazel Snider, LaVon Snider of Brownwood, Ted and Charlotte Snider of New Hope, Jamie and Stephanie Snider, Kael, Craig, Matthew and Anna of New Hope, Clay and Susan Wheat, McKinsey, Caitlin, and Kyann of Ranger, Gene and Kay Snider, of Kokomo, Dale and Kathy Collum, Scott and Matt of Huckabay, Mike and Crystal Snider of Gorman, Dwayne and Connie Snider of Stephenville, Danny and Dianne Snider and Sandra of Gorman, Erik, Belinda, and Audra Segura of Gorman.

A belated "Happy Birthday" to Mr. Jumper. Visitors with Nancy Hendricks were Hope Joiner and Ruth Bryant.

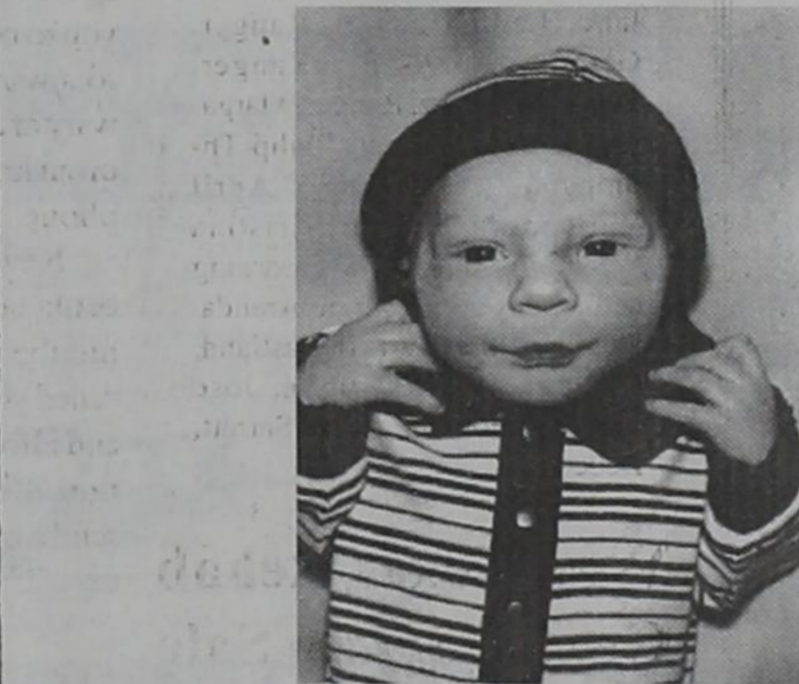
Linda, Kenneth and William Whitley of DeLeon and Ouida Stringer of Palestine visited with Zelda Jordan on Monday evening. Nancy Hendricks also visited Zelda.

Nancy Hendricks and Ruth Bryant visited with Opal Holliday in Gorman.

Because of friction caused by tides, the earth's rotation slows and the day increases about a millisecond each century.

Last Storytime Held

The last Storytime for pre-schoolers was held April 20, 1999. Everyone associated with this activity has had a wonderful and rewarding experience. We at Maxfield Elementary, want to thank the parents and grandparents for bringing the little ones to participate in this reading activity. Pictured are Rebekah Powell & Rachel Tucker.



It's a boy!

Cody and Rachelle Murray of Litchfield, Illinois announce the birth of their new son, Judah Aaron. He was born March 30, 1999 at 4:04 a.m. at St. Johns Hospital, Springfield, Illinois. Judah weighed 7lbs. 10.5 ozs. and was 20 inches long. His grandparents are the late Paul Murray and Jean Murray of Gorman and Bro. Gary and Jeanne Osborn of Litchfield, Illinois. Judah was visited by his grandmother, Jean Murray and Aunt Debra Clark the weekend of April 17th. They were special guests at Judah's dedication service on Sunday at Living Stones Fellowship.



BON VOYAGE — Elania is shown cutting the Bon Voyage cake at the Going Away Party at the Rancher's Daughter on Friday. She was so shook up she wouldn't hardly cut the cake.

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Heritage Manor News

By Nancy Hendricks

A note from the Administrator... The weekend of April 24-25, I was privileged to attend the Central Texas Teen Summit...

On Thursday, April 29 at 2:00 p.m., Ola Walker, Ava Rodgers and Dean Pounds were honored for having April birthdays.

Ima Bambuzzel came and entertained. First United Methodist Church gave rose corsages to the ladies...

Residents attending were the honorees, Ava Rodgers, Dean Pounds, and Ola Walker. Other residents attending were: Jack and Mildred Bellerees, Patti Whitehorn, A.V. Seay...

Recent guest of Jack and Mildred Bellows were Sheila Smith of Garland, Dena Tidmore of Midlothian, Gena Earley of Fort Worth...

Visiting Bea O'Neal were Eunice Lvoe, Juanita files, Mayvis Lasater, Howard and Pat Hagood.

On Thursday, Ina Smith had Resident Council Meeting for Ollie Halcomb, Frankei Jarrett, Venita Hammon, Inez Rogers...

Bertha Gregory Passes Away... Bertha Gregory, 96, passed away on April 26 in a DeLeon Hospital.

Some of Patti Whitehorn and Frankie Jarrett's guests were Marie Cook, Ina Reynolds, Samantha Krause, Rev. L.D. Whitehorn...

On Saturday afternoon Murial Gomez played the piano for Veno Hale, Ollie Halcomb, Evelyn Moore, Dorothy Beaty...

On Monday, Ina Smith and Pat Graham had bingo for Inez Rogers, Veno Hale, Ollie Halcomb, Venita Hammon, A.V. Seay...

Visiting Mary Williams were Samantha Krause, Ina Reynolds, Mary Estes and Merenda Krause of Carbon, Maxine Frasier of DeLeon...

Good news! By using over-the-counter footcare remedies, you can relieve corns and other minor foot problems quickly and conveniently at home.

Patti Whitehorn enjoyed an outing with her husband Rev. L.D. Whitehorn. They went to Abilene to visit their son and wife, Dr. Michael and Marsha Whitehorn.

Visiting Venita Hammon were Jeremy and Christina Hammon and Becky Hammon of DeLeon, Eunice Love and Mayvis Lasater.

Some of Veno Hale's guests were Jimmy and Verna Lee Little, Howard and Pat Hagood, Eunice Love and Ruth Bryant.

Visiting Dorothy Beaty and Ollie halcomb were Juanita Spence and Jean Pryer of Little Elm, Helen Denton and Bada Collins of San Angelo...

On Sunday Morning, Ora Lee lawrence of First Baptist church came and taught the Sunday School lesson for Inez Rogers, Veno Hale, A.V. Seay...

Ava Rodgers had a birthday and had lots of flowers, phone calls, cards, gifts, and visitors. Some of her guests were Deb and Loselle Crowley of Comfort, Jimmy Rodgers of Midlothian...

On Sunday Afternoon, Rev. T.d. Whitehorn of First Baptist brought church services for Jack and Mildred Bellows, Inez Rogers, Venita Hammon, A.V. Seay...

Residents appreciated the nice magazine Mrs. Fay Files of Dallas. Barbara Tucker delivered the magazines.

Some of A.V. Seay and Myrtles Hale's guests were Vicki Seay, Argie and Marie Hale, Thurman Hale of DeLeon, Ennis and Nina Beth Joiner...

Visiting Vadis Phelps and Ruby Jones were Jerry Brown, Vicki, Tyler and Seth Johnson, Julie, Cameron and Cory Clark...

On Friday, Ina Smith and Vicki Seay had bingo for B.T. Hannah, Irene Heathington, Venita Hammon, Ora Mae Atchison...

Visiting Hazel Wisdom and Stella Files were Edna "Roney, Audrey Pond, Leonard Eloise Williams, Bob and Merlene Wisdom of Desdemona...

On Friday afternoon, residents were painting pictures to decorate the green tree for the spring and summer months.

Some of Patti Whitehorn and Frankie Jarrett's guests were Marie Cook, Ina Reynolds, Samantha Krause, Rev. L.D. Whitehorn, Sylvia Estes and Mary Estes of Carbon...

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Stephenville, Juanita Files, Carolyn Woodall, Nancy Hendricks, Ruth Bryant, Eunice Love.

Some of S.D. Gilmore's guests were Durwood Webb, Howard and Pat Hagood, Juanita Files and Dixie Ragan of Desdemona.

Those coming on Monday for the Sing-A-Long were Woodrow and Helen Browning, Nina Joiner, Marjorie Treadway, Ethel Weaver, Audrey Pond, Alpha Mae Andry, Ruth Bryant and Nancy Hendricks.

Residents were Evelyn Moore, Ollie Halcomb, Patti Whitehorn, Mae Eison, Jack and Mildred Bellows, Modess Self, Velma Bennett, Frankie Jarrett, Myrtle Hale, Ora Mae Atchison, Ava Rodgers, Lola Johnson, Veno Hale and Inez Rogers.

Guests of Irene Heathington were Ken and Betty Sue Heathington of Knoxville, Don and Laneta Freeman, Juanita Files, Mayvis Lasater, Eunice Love.

On Wednesday morning, Bro. Ennis Joiner brought Chapel for Inez Rogers, Frankie Jarrett, Veno Hale, Myrtle Hale, A.V. Seay, Velma Bennett, Venita Hammon, Patti Whitehorn, Ora Mae Atchison, S.D. Gilmore, and guest Nina Joiner.

Tuesday morning, Betty Duke came and played the electric organ and led singing for Venita Hammon, Veno Hale, Irene Heathington, A.V. Seay, Ollie Halcomb, Inez Rogers, Frankie Jarrett, Modess Self, Ora Mae Atchison, Stella Files, Jack and Mildred Bellows, Velma Bennett, Dorothy Beaty, Hazel Wisdom, S.D. Gilmore, Lola Johnson and Mae Eison.

Visiting Buddy Winn were Lance Winn of Irving, Harvey Winn of Carbon, Vernon Fields, Pat and Howard Hagood.

Some of Lola Johnson's guests were Ina Reynolds of Carbon and Eunice Love.

Tuesday afternoon, Ina Smith had "Ward Game" myths and old saying for Ora Mae Atchison, Inez Rogers, A.V. Seay, Veno Hale, Jack Bellows, and Venita Hammon.

Visiting Ann Mize and Velma Bennett were Rachel Rainey, Racha and Rebecca Rainey of Desdemona, Freddie SADBERRY of DeLeon, Marty Rainey, Roxanna Scitem, Eunice Love, Howard and Pat Hagood, Ruth Coutorie, Mayvis Lasater.

Beeman had open discussion about when you were a kid, did the doctor come to see you or did you even see a doctor? Residents were Jack and Mildred Bellows, Veno Hale, Lola Johnson, Venita Hammon, Ollie Halcomb, S.D. Gilmore, A.V. Seay, Inez Rogers, Velma Bennett, and Myrtle Hale.

Some of Evelyn Moore's guests have been Willie Moore, Karen Guthery, Susan Williams of Stephenville, David Moore of Bridgeport, Blake Guthery, Nicholas Guthery, Jennifer Shackelford, Audrey Pond, Odean Savage, Nancy Hendricks, Howard and Pat Hagood, Eunice Love.

Visiting Ola Walker and Volita Richardson were Jo Etheredge, Audrey Pond, Eunice Love, and Nancy Hendricks.

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