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Beautiful Baby Contestants



KENDLE COAN

My name is Kendle Coan. I am the daughter of Brent and Lucretia Coan. I like to play with my big brother, Brenton. We have fun going to see our grandparents, Glendon and Laura Fraiser of Gorman. My other grandparents are Benny Coan of Hasse and Alethea Coan of Granbury. Brenton and Kendle also enjoy parades and festivals so we will see you at the Peanut Festival.



KATHRYN ELIZABETH WOODALL

My name is Beth Woodall. I am the 15 month old daughter of Jimmy and Becca Woodall. I have one brother, Randy. My grandparents are Glenn and Kathy Scitern and Rodger and Carolyn Woodall. I think my big brother is the greatest. She also loves her cousins Kodie and Garrett. She likes to ride horses most of all things to do.



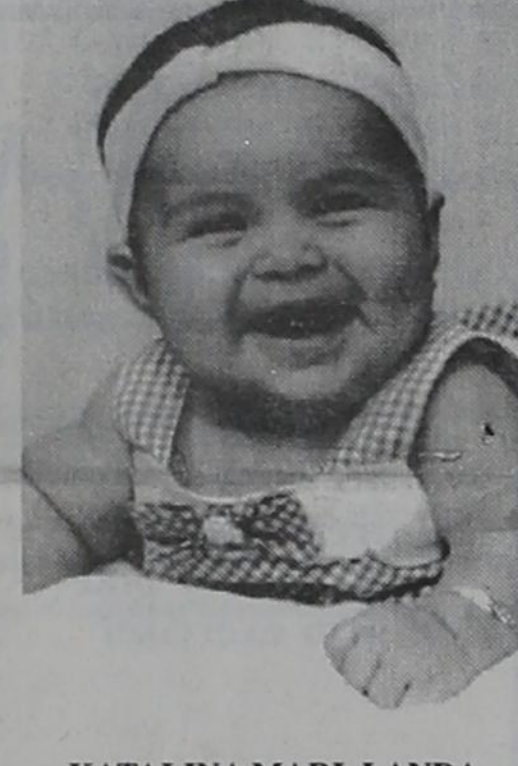
STEPHANIE JANECEK

Hello, my name is Stephanie. I am the 7 month old daughter of Lisa and Jeremy Janecek. My favorite hobbies are crawling, talking to everyone who will listen and smiling. I love to eat anything except green beans. I am the granddaughter of Joe and Karen McClerey of Gorman, Reggie Janecek of Cypress and Alice and Denver Rainey also of Gorman and Marlene Rainey of Ranger.



BAYLIE NICOLE

Hi, my name is Baylie Nicole. I am the daughter of Keith Bush and Ami Martin. The only granddaughter of Ron and Brenda Bush. My uncle is Joseph Duvall and my aunt is Ashley Bush. I am 8 months old. I like to eat and go to Grandma's.



KATALINA MARI LANDA

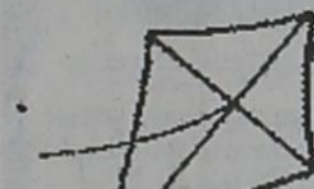
My name is Katalina Mari Landa. I am the daughter of Noah Landa and Miriam Sanchez. My paternal grandparents are Santiago and Gregoria Landa. My maternal grandparents are Enrique and Josefina Sanchez. I enjoy playing with my doll Ragady and Splashing around in the tub. I also enjoy riding around with my aunt Rose, spending time with my aunt Debora, and visiting my uncle Dante and aunt Ab. Thank you for your donations.

Family Reading Night

As a new fun-filled experience at our school, we will be starting monthly "Family Reading" nights. They will be held the second Monday of each month (September through May) in the Elementary Library. The "Family Reading" night has been set up to encourage parents to become more involved in their child's reading. Our

first reading night will be September 13th from 6:00 to 7:30 in the Elementary Library. We will have snacks, punch and a door prize. Students must be accompanied by their parent or guardian in order to attend. We hope you will come join in our fun. Hope we see you there.

Shanna Lewis and Stephanie Crew



Kristi and Larry Thompson have a new baby boy. He's cute and cuddly and a bundle of joy.

Stetson McCrae Thompson is as proud as can be, for he has a new baby brother, you see.

Stratton McCade Thompson is the new baby's name. August 15, 1999 is the day that he came.

Harris Hospital Erath County was Stratton's birthplace. He arrival sure brought a smile to his mother's face.

Seven pounds, six ounces is what he weighed in, a beautiful boy with a cleft in his chin.

He measured nineteen and one-half inches in length. It's hard to believe he has so much strength.

Three-fourteen p.m. is the time he was born. He was welcomed by his Mamas, Sandy Warren.

S. W. and Mary Thompson was thrilled to be told that they have a new grandson to love and to hold.

Stratton's arrival delighted aunts, uncles and cousins — his doctor, nurses and friends by the dozens.

Stratton is truly a blessing from heaven above, and his family is thankful to have him to love.

The Thompson's just wanted to share with everyone the birth announcement of their new baby son.

By Aunt Kayla

Look Who's New It's A Girl

Mike and Tammy Jones are happy to announce the arrival of Talee Shaec Jones. She was born at home on August 16, 1999 at 7:00 p.m. into the gentle arms of our midwives, Carol and Linda. She weighed 8 lbs., 8 ounces and measured 20 1/4" long. Her very proud brothers and sister are Clint, Tecia and Skylar Jones.

Grandparents are Mike and J.R. Jones, Larry and Joy Campbell, all of Gorman. Great-grandmothers are Billie Corley and Eunice Love, both of Gorman and Effie Mae Jones of Hobbs, NM.

Register To Vote By Oct. 4

Sandra Cagle, County Tax Assessor/Collector, reminds anyone who does not have a voter's registration card that the last day to register to vote in the Nov. 2nd Amendments Election is Oct. 4.

This applies to people who have moved into the county recently, or who have not registered before. People who already have a Voter's Registration card will receive a new one in the mail.

Mrs. Cagle say you need to reside in the county for 30 days before applying for a card to vote here.

There will a number of proposed amendments on the ballot, November 2. The new card will also be good for the big General Election in November, 2000.

Peanut Festival Committee To Meet

Everyone involved with the Peanut Festival is encouraged to be at this meeting. This is the last meeting before the Festival, so we need to iron out any problems that anyone has. Please make a note of this and be there at 5:30 p.m.

School Holiday

There will be no School on Monday, September 6, due to the Labor Day Weekend. Friday, September 10, will be an early dismissal day for students. Teachers will be involved in Staff Development after students are dismissed at 1 o'clock. Buses will run at that time.

7th Annual Gorman Peanut Queen's Coronation Set

The 7th Annual Gorman Peanut Queen's Coronation has been scheduled for Saturday, September 11, 1999. For an entry form and contest rules, Contact Veronica Seaton at 254-734-3083. Deadline for entry is September 2nd.

Peanut Festival Time

It is time to start thinking "PEANUT FESTIVAL TIME". It will be September 11th before we know it and we have Booth Space Available. If you would like to help please contact Ina or Johnny Smith at 254-734-3873 or 734-2720.

Panthers To Host Buffaloes In Game Opener Friday

The Gorman Panthers will begin their regular 1999 Football season this Friday night at 7:30 p.m. when they host the Cross Plains Buffaloes.

The Panthers are returning 6 starters on Offense and 5 on Defense but were hurt by graduation from last season's experienced team. The Big Red posted an 8-3 record last season and played in the playoffs, losing in the first round to Bronte.

The Big Red will have to fill several key positions for this season due to the heavy loss at graduation and will really have to play up to their potential and improve as the season progresses. Also the Panthers are using a different offensive scheme this season and it takes awhile to get the players indoctrinated to the new system.

Returning offensive starters include Dathan Wright, 6-0, 190, Senior Running Back; Bubba Hagood, 6-2, 225 Senior Lineman; Josh Johnson, 6-0, 220, Junior Lineman; Mike Torres, 5-8, 175, Junior Lineman; David Seaton, 5-8, 150, Junior Running Back; and Bradley Gilmore, 6-1, 170, Senior Wide Receiver.

Returners on the Defense are Wright, LB; Hagood - DE; Johnson - DL; Torres - LB; and Seaton - LB. Wright was a All-District Running Back, 2nd Team Linebacker.

Top new players who are expected to fill some important positions are Josh Longoria, 5-10, 165, Junior Quarterback and DB; Michael Lynch, 6-2, 165, Sophomore Wide Receiver and FS; and Joseph Duvall, 5-9, 170, Junior Offensive Lineman and DE.

Gorman tied for the District 14A Championship with the Tolar Rattlers but lost out in the first round of the playoffs. Team strengths seem to be tradition and team quickness and the team weakness will be having to learn the new system.

Coach Terry Taylor has stated that he is looking forward to this season at GHS and a great performance from the Panthers.

In the two scrimmage games with Perrin-Whitt and Millsap - stated ranked, the Panthers didn't fare too well, but with more improvement as the season moves along, they should be in pretty good shape by the time District games start.

Go Get 'Em Big Red.

Gorman School Enrollment

Student enrollment in Gorman Schools as of August 26th are as follows:

Senior Class - 26
Junior Class - 40
Sophomore Class - 38
Freshman Class - 40

Eight Grade Class - 28 and Seventh Grade Class - 35. Elementary enrollment includes: Pre-K - 28, Kindergarten - 30, First Grade - 26, Second Grade - 31, Third Grade - 28, Fourth Grade - 35, Fifth Grade - 28 and Sixth Grade - 29. For a total enrollment of 445.

Class of 1956 to Hold Class Reunion

Class of 1956 Reunion beginning Friday, Sept. 10 at 7 p.m.; noon meal, Sat., Sept. 11, compliments of Shirley Nabers at 11:30 a.m. at the home of Jack and Kate Wheelers. Welcome to all other classmates of past and previous years. Teachers and Coaches should be there also as Max Pierce still needs disciplinary authority.



DEFENSIVE ACTION — The Panthers looked good on Defense on several tackles made during the scrimmage against Millsap. Show above are David Seaton, Joseph Duvall and T. J. Jay.

W. H. Smith Dept. Store

In the Spring of 1920, W. H. Smith Sr. called on his bride to be, Mamie Daniell, and said "you may want to call off the wedding because I've borrowed \$7,000. From the F&M Bank to open a business with Bob Steakley."

Previously employees of Higginbotham's Steakley and Smith began a grocery, implement and hardware business in a portion of the building now occupied by the First National Bank. By 1927 their business flourished to the point that they bought the E. E. Akers Dry Goods business located at the present location of the W. H. Smith Department Store and became Steakley and Smith Stores. One year later, Mr. Smith purchased Mr. Steakley's part of the business; then Bob Steakley joined his 2 brothers in what was to become immensely successful Chevrolet dealerships. The name became "Smith Stores," with groceries on one end of the block and dry goods on the other.

In 1929, the depression caused Smith to move the grocery store stock into the bank of the dry goods store. Services, taken for granted in those days included free home delivery, "curb service" (drive up to the front or back door and honk your horn for a clerk to come out and take your order), and free coffee grinding. New products such as battery and electric RCA and Zenith radios, Norge products including gasoline powered washing machines, gas ranges, and refrigerators, helped brighten the bottom line during the early days of the big depression. Poll Parrot Shoe money was given customers when they purchased shoes. This money was redeemable in the store for dinnerware, watches, tools, etc.

In 1936, Smith sold more Norge Appliances than any other dealer in a town of this size, winning a trip to the Norge factory in Michigan and a diamond ring. In 1938, the store held a month long promo in which the grand prize, a bedroom suite, was won by Mr. and Mrs. Pete Sides. One way to amass points toward the prize was to bring in used rubber automobile tires. A picture of the tires appearing in the De Leon Free Press showed them reaching from the street to the awning the full width of the store. They were hauled to the peach orchard for possible "smudging" but later sold for scrap rubber during the early days of WWII. When food rationing was announced, Smith decided to sell out his grocery stock and devote more time to his expanding fruit orchard which he had begun in 1934.

In 1947, W. H. Smith, Sr. entrusted a commitment from his son, W. H. Jr., a sophomore at Texas A&M, to return and join in managing the 435 acre fruit farm and the store. Hiram Smith, Jr. did this after receiving a BA from Texas A&M, and MBA from the University of Texas in Austin, marrying Dale Randals, a Texas Woman's University graduate and a Registered Dietitian who was reared in Hico, and spending 2 years in the U. S. Army, one in Fort Eustis, VA and 8 months in Korea.

In 1954, W. H. Smith, Jr. began managing the store and joined W. H. Smith, Sr. in operating the fruit farm. Several promotional events were introduced by the store in the years that followed. During the first several years of their January White Sale, cars filled all of the downtown parking places before the doors of the store opened. They introduced Early Bird sales starting as early as 6 a.m., Moonlight Madness Sales with prices falling as the time approached midnight. They had pre-holiday open houses, displaying holiday and Christmas merchandise, first in the store, in the lobby of the F&M Bank and in the City Hall with live models, food, entertainment by the Tarleton Troubadors, flower arrangements by a National Garden Club Judge Instructor.

The store had an autograph party for De Leon singer/composer/TV host, Gary Chapman when he introduced his first album "Sincerely, Yours," during which he and his (then) wife, Amy Grant selected wall covering for their first apartment.

Lavish gift wrapping has always been free with purchases. Brands such as Hanes Hosiery, Playtex Bras, Hallmark Cards, Arrow Shirts, Nocona Boots, Henry Lee Dresses, Brighton, Levi, Wrangler, Cricketeer, Nortake, Crystal Clear, Fieldcrest, Dexter, Red Wing, Naturalizer, Life Stride, Coronet, Congoleum, L. D. Brinkman, Buster Brown, Stetson, Resistol, and Rockies are featured in the store.

During the seventies and eighties, the store's floor was covered in a patchwork of carpet samples that were part of 79 truck loads of samples sold during

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Ranch Rodeo Set For Sept. 11th

The Ranch Rodeo is scheduled for Saturday, September 11 at 7:00 p.m. at the Gorman Roping Arena. Events include: Team Penning - Mugging - Branding - Pasture Roping - Wild Cow Milking. Entry is \$250.00 for a Five Man Team. Negative Coggins Required. Call 254-647-1033 to Enter.

Concession available. Admission is \$5.00 for Adults and \$3.00 for Children, Under 3 are free.

The Rodeo is sponsored by The Gorman Livestock Raisers Association.

Services Held for Jonnie L. Bell

Jonnie L. Bell, 74, of Duncanville passed away on August 26, 1999. She was born on July 1, 1925 in Gorman. Jonnie was a longtime real estate agent in Duncanville with her husband at L.A. Bell Real Estate. She also was a member of several organizations: American Businesswoman Assoc., VFW in Duncanville, Duncanville Senior Citizens Center, and a member of First Missionary Baptist Church in Duncanville.

Jonnie was preceded in death by her sister, Shirley Broom Key and her niece, Debbie Key. She is survived by her husband of 48 years, Luther A. Bell; four sons and daughter-in-laws: Jimmy Bell and wife Nancy, Thomas Bell and wife Wanda, Chuck Bell and wife Trish; daughter Bonnie Bell; grandchildren: Andrea, Angel, Steve, Sean, Shelby, Megan, Ruth, and Bethany.

Services were held at 10 a.m. Monday, August 30 at the First Missionary Baptist Church in Duncanville with Rev. Williams officiating. Interment was held at the Oaklawn Cemetery.

Aubrey (A.K.) Brown Laid to Rest

Aubrey (A.K.) Brown, 86 of Abilene, died August 13 at an Abilene Hospital.

Services were held at 10 a.m., Tuesday, August 17, 1999 at the Elliott-Hamil Chapel of Faith with Rev. Msgr. Fred Nawarskas officiating. Burial was in the Elmwood Memorial Park.

Mr. Brown was born in Gorman, Texas, on February 4, 1913. He attended public schools in Gorman, and moved to Abilene in 1939, and had lived most of his life in this area. He was a driver for Sunset Motor Lines and East Texas Motor Freight, retiring after 40 ears as a truckdriver.

On September 1, 1935, he married Bonnie J. Austin in Baird. He was a Catholic and a member of the Holy Family Catholic Church.

Survivors include his wife, Bonnie of the home; three sons, Kenneth L. Brown of Hurst, Donald Brown of Dallas, and John R. Brown of Van Alstyne; two daughters, Barbara Dunn and Ginger K Smith, both of Abilene; sixteen grandchildren; 20 great grandchildren and three great-great-grandchildren.

Charlie Stenholm to Host FUNDay on September 11

Stamford--Congressman Charlie and Cindy Stenholm will host FUNDay on Saturday, September 11, 1999 at the Ericksdahl Picnic Grounds east of Stamford. Festivities will begin at 4:30 p.m. and continue into the evening.

The annual event draws people from throughout the vast 17th Congressional District.

The program includes barbecue, entertainment, and a drawing for flags flown over the U.S. Capitol. The Cooper Fiddlers from Cooper High School in Abilene will provide entertainment.

"Cindy and I want to invite everyone to come and spend the day in Ericksdahl," said Stenholm. "FUNDay is a great time to meet new people and visit with old friends."

"In addition, a few of my colleagues will be visiting, and they need to know the concerns of the people here in west Texas. This year I will be

bringing Representative Mike Doyle, Representative Leonard L. Boswell and Representative Rosa DeLauro. Mike Doyle is a 3rd term Congressman from Swissvale, Pennsylvania; he serves on the Science Committee for Basic Research, Energy and Veterans' Affairs for Health. Leonard Boswell is a 2nd term Congressman from Davis City, Missouri; he serves on the Agriculture Committee. Rosa DeLauro is a 5th term Congresswoman from New Haven, Connecticut; she serves on the Appropriations Committee for Agriculture and Rural Development, FDA & Related Agencies; labor, Health & Human Services & Education."

Tickets for FUNDay, which remain at \$10 per person, will be available at the gate. Children's activities will also be provided. For more information, contact the Stenholm Campaign office at 1-800-391-0704 or 915-773-552.



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Note of Appreciation Class of '59 Reunion

We would like to thank everyone that came and helped during our hay fire Monday night. A special thank to Johnny Eaves, Justin Underwood, and Windell Treadway for bringing their trucks to move and save hay bales not on fire. Thanks to the fire department for all their help, especially John Moss for his dozer. He ate a lot of smoke and took a lot of heat. This fire was suspicious of an arson fire, according to the fire department.
Thurmon Jay and Bobby Jay

The Class of 1959 will hold their 40 year reunion on Saturday, September 11 at the Fellowship Hall of the Gorman Church of Christ from 4 until 8. All former classmates and teachers are invited to come and visit. There will be sandwiches, coffee, and tea.



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Residence Access Line is the monthly charge for basic local telephone service applied to a residence. Business Access Line is the monthly charge for basic local telephone service applied to a business.
The proposed effective date for the minor rate change is December 1, 1999. The estimated annual revenue increase recognized by the Company is \$60,862 or 2.24% of total regulated intrastate gross annual revenues.
Current and Proposed rates are as follows:

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Tel-Assistance	\$ 3.05	\$3.35	n/a	n/a
Rotary	n/a	n/a	\$20.25	\$21.75
PBX Trunk	n/a	n/a	\$20.25	\$21.75

Persons with questions or who want more information on this application may contact Comanche County Telephone Company, Inc., at Highway 16 South, P. O. Box 290, De Leon, Texas 76444-0290, or call 254-893-2003. A complete copy of the application is available for inspection at the address listed above. The Commission has assigned Tariff Control Number 21217 to this application. Persons who wish to formally participate in the Commission's proceedings concerning this application, or who wish to express their comments concerning this application should contact the Public Utility Commission of Texas, Office of Customer Protection, P. O. Box 13326, Austin, TX 78711-3326, or call the Public Utility Commission's Office of Customer Protection at 512-936-7120, or toll free at 888-782-8477. Hearing and Speech Impaired Individuals with Text Telephones (TTY) may contact the Commission at 512-936-7136, or reach the Commission's tollfree number through Relay Texas at 800-735-2988.
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Eastland Co. Commissioners Set Tax Rate

County Commissioners set the new Tax Rate at 53.08 cents per \$100 valuation. The current rate is 50 cents.

County Judge Brad Stephenson made a motion for a 56-cent rate Monday, but the motion was defeated 3-2.

Stephenson said the county could face unexpected expenses with the jail expansion and its share of matching funds to repair the courthouse. The county will also have to pay \$65,000 of the cost of widening FM 2214, Stephenson said.

W. H. Smith Dept. Store

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that time. Smith maintains that selling samples was more profitable than selling carpet.

Starting as a weekend promotion in 1955 the store offered to make drapes from a fabric purchased at the store with no labor charges. They quit counting over 10 years ago when the number of drapery sets passed 10,000. Smith's have made drapery for nursing homes, funeral homes, mobile homes, ambulances, motels, stage curtains and cycloramas.

One item that catches your attention as you enter the store is a large selection of handcut lead crystal that is sold in large amounts. One customer from Austin has allowed Smith to select crystal valued from \$100 to \$250 for each piece, as Christmas presents for their 13 nieces and nephews.

Smith credits the many good employees the store has had through the years to have made this all possible and to have made the store a genuinely great place to work.

In other business, commissioners appointed Don Griffin reserve constable. He will become the constable after Gene Hicks retires September 30.

A lion's mane protects him during fights—softening the blows of his enemies.

Retirement Luncheon Held For Jerry Brown



A luncheon honoring Jerry Brown was held August 27th in the Maxfield Elementary Library. Jerry retired from teaching Kindergarten. Her husband, Corky, was a Special Guest.

Peanut Festival Cook-Off

Brings entries to Senior Citizen Building Saturday from 7:30 a.m. to 8:45 a.m.

- Please wrap entry in plastic wrap
- Bring a copy of recipe with your name, age and category on back

Food Categories:

Appetizers
Salads
Soups
Main Dishes
Vegetables
Breads
Desserts
Sauces
Snacks
Cookies
Candy

Age Categories:

Pre-school thru 2nd Grade
3rd grade thru 8th Grade
High School
Adults

All entries will be on display (after judging) during the Peanut Festival. All entries will be displayed with the name of person entering, the recipe and awards given.

All Recipes will become the property of the Peanut Festival Cook-Off Committee. At some future date we plan to publish a cookbook of entries. Your recipe with your name will be a part of this!

If you have questions, contact Joy Rogers at 734-2445 after 5 p.m.

Peanut Festival Kid's Parade

Hey Kids! it's time for the annual Peanut Festival Kid's Parade.

Categories this year are bicycle, pets, costumes, misc. and a new category of the stick horse.

All ages of children welcome to participate. We are looking forward to seeing all the unique ideas this year.

To be judges, you must be at the Texas Cooperative Inspection Service parking lot (Kent St) no later than 9:20 a.m. Everyone will receive an award.

For more information, contact Amy at 734-3503 or 734-2720, or Brenda at 758-2253 after 5:00 p.m.

Hope to see you there!
When grackles fly, they fold their tail feathers upward and use the tail to steer.

TEXAS CATTLE EXCHANGE

INVITES

EVERYONE TO EASTLAND'S NEW CATTLE MARKET FACILITY LOCATED EAST OF TOWN AT OLDEN EXIT

**First Sale Will Be September 17, 1999
12:00 Noon**

First Sale Consignments Include:

- 140 Hd - Black & Black Baldy Steers & Heifers Weighing 500 - 600 lbs. All 1 Brand.
- 20 Hd - 1st Calf, Tiger Stripe Pairs - Fancy
- 32 Hd - 6 to 8 yr. old Crossbred Pairs
- 20 Hd - 4 to 6 yr. old Black & Black Baldy Pairs
- 20 hd - 1st calf Fancy Tiger Stripe Heifers - heavy bred

Now open to consignments. Those interested call Texas Cattle Exchange - 254-629-2288

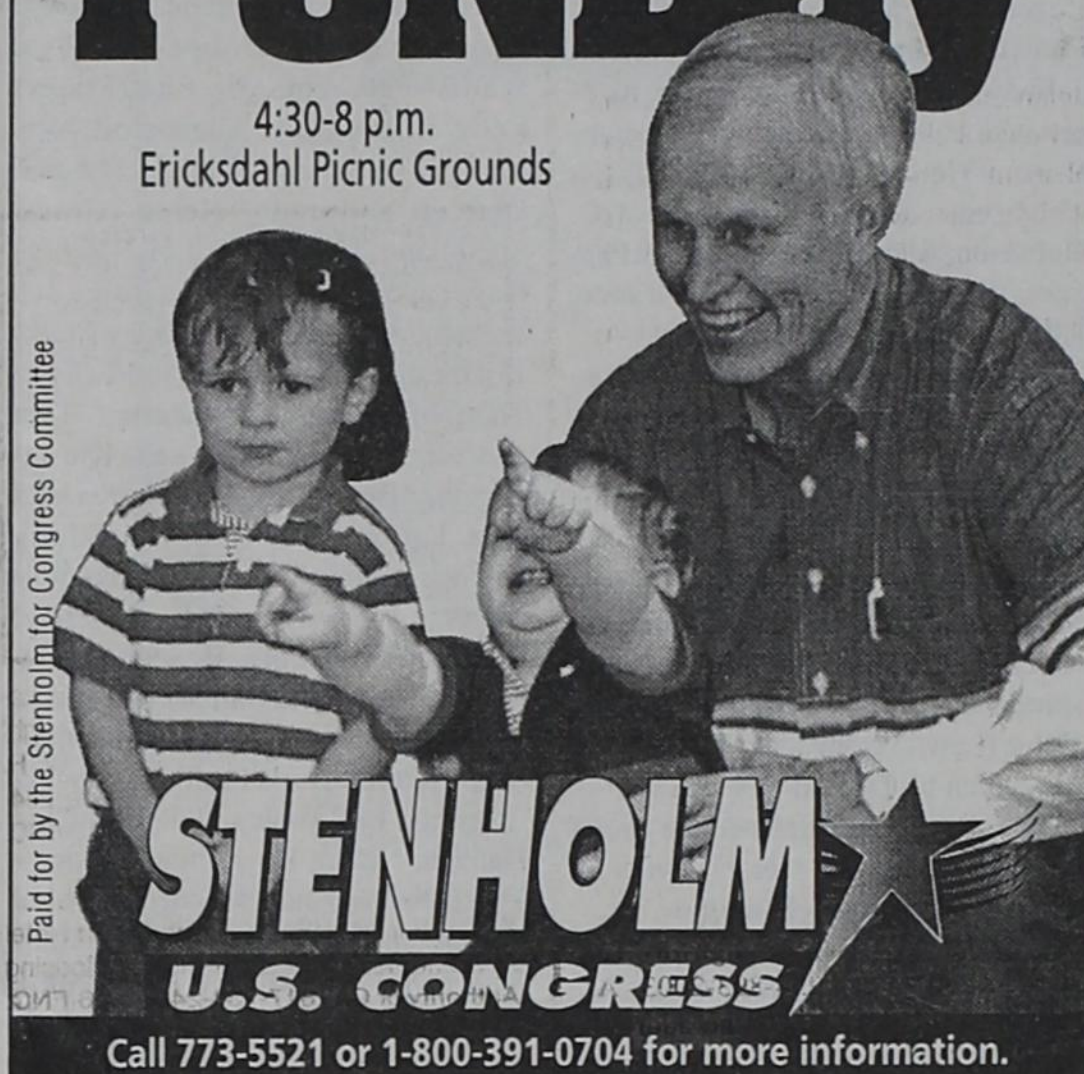
Come by and tour our facilities. We know you'll like them!

IH-20 and FM 3363 Olden Exit — P. O. Box 70 — Eastland, Tx 76448
Telephone (254) 629-2288 — Fax: (254) 629-2484

FUNDAY

September 11

4:30-8 p.m.
Ericksdahl Picnic Grounds



Paid for by the Stenholm for Congress Committee

Call 773-5521 or 1-800-391-0704 for more information.



Peanut Festival Ride Tour of the Peanut Country '99

9, 29, 45 and 58 Mile Routes

An Event In Conjunction With The Peanut Festival Saturday, September 11th



The 13th Annual Peanut Festival will be held in Gorman, Texas on Saturday, September 11, 1999. The festival is a day long fun filled event. Some of the activities are a street parade, musical entertainment, watermelon eating, beauty contest, ranch rodeo, antique car show, antique tractor show, quilt show, as well as many different food and merchandise booths, and a street dance.

A new event this year will be a Bike Ride, "Tour of the Peanut Country". This event is sponsored by the Lions Club of Gorman in cooperation with The Gorman Volunteer Fire Department. The ride will start promptly at 8:00 a.m. with no starters later than 9:00 a.m. The routes all start at the high school baseball field parking lot (see map on reverse). The course closes at 2:00 p.m.

There will be 4 routes of 9, 29, 45 and 58 miles. The scenery will generally be rolling hills and gentle curves along farm to market roads or shouldered state highways.

There will be frequent rest stops stocked with water, juice, snacks, fresh fruit and maybe a surprise or two. Sag wagons will be available should you have any mechanical trouble or need medical assistance.

You may register by mail with the form on the reverse (photocopies are acceptable). Entry fees are listed on the form. Registration will open on tour day at 6:30 a.m., at the Start/Finish area.

Pre-registered riders will receive one of our 100% cotton T-shirts, a colorful Peanut Tour coffee mug and other assorted goodies.

Day-camping is available at the Start/Finish area. Nearby De Leon and Eastland each have motels and camping and RV sites.

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De Leon Free Press

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De Leon Clinic

Fullen Motor Co. - Eastland

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Comanche Co. Telephone Co., Inc.

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Eastland Memorial Hospital

Friends of Ride

Eastland Co. Tire

Express Photo - Eastland

Bob's Grocery

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Cook Insurance - De Leon

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Express Medical Supply - De Leon

De Leon Nursing Home

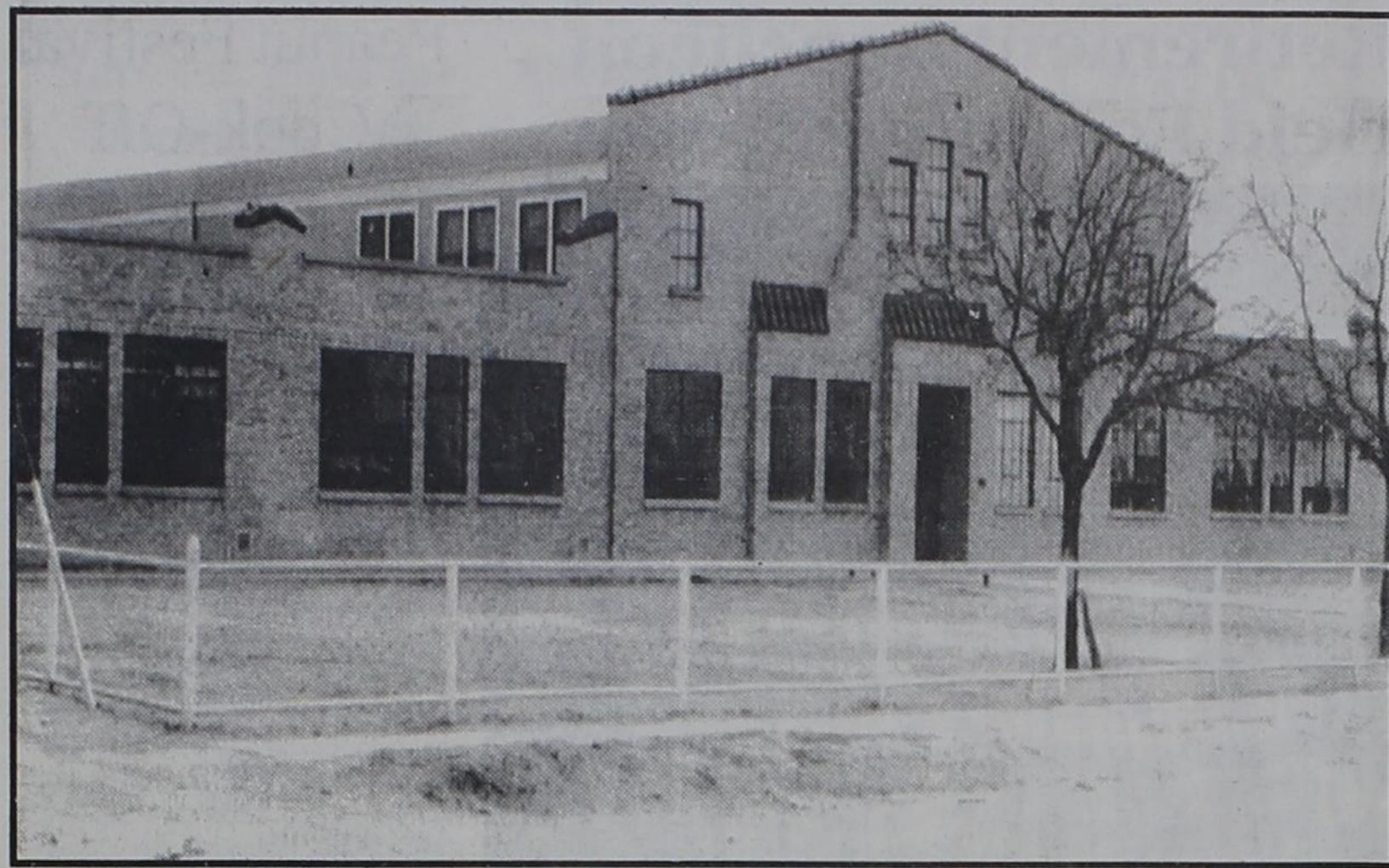
City of Gorman

For more information: Tour of the Peanut Country
P. O. Box 212 — Gorman, Texas 76454-0212
Phone 254-734-3810 -- FAX 254-734-2859
e-mail gorphar@eastland.net

For Entry Forms: Check at Gorman Pharmacy and other businesses in Gorman or call 254-734-3810

For more information on: The Gorman Peanut Festival

Chairman - Darrell Graham - 254-734-3411; Vendor Booths - Ina Smith - 254-734-2720; Parade - Johnny Smith - 254-734-2720; Quilt Show - DeeAnn Powell - 254-734-3322; Antique and Classic Car Show - Clifford Babbit - 254-893-2561; Antique Tractor and Equipment - Wesley Warren - 254-734-2314; and Ranch Rodeo - Kellye Carruth - 254-647-1033.



Desdemona Homecoming and Reunion

Desdemona Homecoming and School Reunion was held on Saturday, August 14, 1999 at the Community Center (old school building). This is an annual affair--the same date having been observed since it began in 1920, except the years during World War II, when it was canceled because of the shortage of gasoline, tires and to await the return of our fighting servicemen and women.

There is still some difference of opinion as to the actual year of the beginning of the Desdemona Homecoming. Some of the oldest old-timers pinpoint the beginning as far back as 1922. Others come up with the year 1932, but history records shows it began in 1920. The style of carrying on of the Homecoming has changed somewhat in the past 60 years of existence.

In the early years when population was on increase, a parade was always formed, sometime a mile in length. The citizens participated on foot bearing comical signs and placards, they rode on horseback, a string music band rode on a wagon or truck, covered wagons were decorated and vehicles from the oldest to the newest were many in number.

Beef for the lunch hour was barbecue over an open pit near the present Community Tabernacla. A pitch fork was used to turn the meat. People from far and near brought baskets and boxes of food to spread together for the noon meal. We now have lunch served by a catering service. This gives more time for visiting classmates, teachers and friends.

Then (as now) the program was opened with prayer, a congregational song, welcome address, response to the welcome address, recognition of visitors, presentation of engraved award plaques to the oldest man, oldest woman present and a roll call during the memorial service for those who have passed on since the last meeting.

Desdemona, known as "Hogtown" reached its peak just after World War I when the discovery well blew in on September 2, 1918 on the Joe Duke farm three miles south of Desdemona in Comanche County. The Duke well, an estimated 8,000 barrels a day gusher, caught fire when it blew in and burned at length before it was brought under control. During the "Hogtown" Oil Boom" days the population was estimated 28,000 to 30,000 but soon declined as the boom ended after 18-20 months of being on of the "Greatest Oil Booms in History."

Desdemona, a settlement before the Civil War, acquired its first Church in 1872. The first services were held in a log cabin near Hog Creek--it had one door and a hole for a window. The benches were hewn logs and the pulpit was blanked by guns for emergency use against the Indians. First church was named Rockdale Baptist, later on changed to First Baptist.

The establishment of the first post office was in 1882. The settlement known as "Hogtown" was officially named Desdemona when the post office was established, but has never lost the title of "Hogtown." Fort Blair built by Charles Culpepper Blair and wife, Meekie (Reeves) Blair in 1859 prior to any settlement in this area. They are great grandparents of Vonnice Guthery.

Stories of how Desdemona actually got its name are many. Supposedly, an oil investor of the Oil Boom Days (after many days of waiting) saw oil shooting through the top of a derrick toward the sky and he shouted "Deah's De Money." Others claim it was named Desdemona from Shakespeare's play "Othello." Officially it was named after Desdemona Wynn, a lovely daughter of the Justice of Peace, J.J. Wynn at that time. She later on taught school in Desdemona. She is buried near Kilgore at Laird's Hill. Her husband was B.O. Thompson, also buried at this place.

Engraved award plaques for this year were given to the Oldest Man present--Odie Brightwell, age 98 of

Gorman, Oldies Woman--Opal (Clayton) Keith, age 93 of Bluff Dale, One Who Traveled Farthest--J.T. Craig of Phoenix, Arizona. Special award plaque was given to Pug Guthery for his community work.

Memorial list names are: Teet (Henslee) Dawley, Terry Dean Owens, Joe Bailey Stark, Zane Holmes, Floradelle (Lindley) Clayton, Alton Fuqua, Doss Yardley, "Butch" Boyd, Pauline (Moore) Blanton, Irene Majors, Lorene (Henslee) Kiker, Curtis Redwine, Sam Sparks, Joe Wortham, Tiffany Nancy, James Lemaster, Robert White, Mae (Lester) Sparkman, Burton Henry, Frank Skiles, Glyn Thiebaud, Georgia Ashburn, T.C. Robinson, Alene (Loper) Tate, Ina Peppers, "Brandy" Lohman, Pat Ranne, L.P. Hammond, Leon Rogers.

Master of Ceremonies was Leo Williams, Invocation given by Jay Grimshaw. Flags presented by Austin Koonce and Aaron Koonce. Welcome address by Leo Williams with the Response given by Delbert Williams. Music by Philip Lewis and son, Robert Lewis. Memorial service was presented by Freda (Lewis) Riggs and Helen (Lewis) Grimshaw. Benediction was given by Donald Holder.

Bobby Koonce donated the award engraved plaques. He is owner of Sports World in Stephenville.

Each year the Homecoming Committee does a wonderful job as there would not be a Homecoming without their dedication and work. Approximately 235 signed the register and there were several local ones who failed to register.

Those attending who signed the register: Fort Worth--Jr. and Nell (Echols) Moore, Homer Lancaster, Floyd and Judy Redwine, Janet Lewis, Jack Craig, Delmar Varner, Frances (Gee) Friday, Bill and Bobbie (Morrow) Adams, Truman and Jean Evitt, Azle--Harvey "Jr." and Lurline Echols Brownwood--Evelyn Hammond. Mesquite--Ernest Key. Lingleville--Aaron Henslee, Sandra (Henslee) Loving. Odessa--Jackie Putty. Carrollton--Calvin and Kay Lewis and Bonnie. Gorman--Lloyd Glasson, A.V. (Guthery) Seay, Darrell and June Dossey, Rosetta (White) Carlton, Geraldene "Jerry" (Northcutt) Underwood, Darlison "Tody" (Watson) Zink, Odie Brightwell. Hurst--Tommy Brightwell. Port Isabell--Bobby Joe Honeycutt. Abilene--Billy Paul and Judy Lewis. Weatherford--Aaron E. Henslee. Houston--Mary Sue (Craig) Garza. The Woodlands--Eldon and Jo Ervin. Carbon--Geraldene "Gerrie" (Craig) Zumner. Gordon--Dalton Anderson. Snyder--Don and Gayle Wittie. Amarillo--Marjorie "Marge" (Brown) Johnson. Bowie--Shirley (Gee) Prater. May--Glenn Sparkman. Georgetown--Mary (McNett) Anderson. Boyd--Walter and Joyce Alvis. Enid, Oklahoma--Travista (King) Roach. Baytown--Pat Tarpley. Phoenix, Arizona--J.T. Craig. Ferris--Nancy, Twyla and James Drovinn. Strawn--

Harold and Daphne Caudle. Gladewater--Thelma (Teague) Tarpley Deer Park--Jim Craig. New Castle--James Buckley. Richland--LeRoy and Ella Jones. Arlington--Mary Evelyn (Putty) Stafford. Brownfield--Ernest "Sonny" Disman. Midland--Bates and Ada Duke, Calvin and Betty Hoover. Olden--Ruth Haley, Roy Haley. Irving--Frank and Ella (Guthery) Reeves, Maxie (Harris) Griner. DeLeon--Clyde (Buchan) Wright, Avie (Keith) Taylor, Roy Lemaster, Marcene (Lindley) Ottwell, Gracie (Hooper) Stokes, Wallis--Pete and Alla Rae (Friday) Kelly, Dylan Kelly. Cloudcroft, New Mexico--Guy and Glenda Owens. Denver, Colorado--Helen (Craig) Spellman. Levelland--Lois (Henry) Kay. Comanche--Bill Craig, Jr. Ranger--Alton and Cleta (Baby Clark) Coffman. Graham--Wanda (Fox) Theford. Nashville, Tennessee--Tom and Lois (Moore) Ervin. Lake Kiowa--Tommy Beate. Dallas--Skeeter and Ada Koonce, Norman and Judy Koonce, Tommy John and Gladys Williams. Zephyr--Roland Tilly. Gatesville--Rex Tilly. Bokchito, Oklahoma--Charles and Barbara Nicholson. Ballinger--Donald White. Coahoma--"Rip" Arthur, Doris Smith. Lubbock--May and Bell Bailey. Kilgore--Clint Hanson. Santa Rosa, new Mexico--Floyd Nicholson. Menard--Hershel Wayne and Virginia Griffith. Bluff Dale--Opal (Clayton) Keith. North Richland Hills--Evelyn (Keith) McIntosh, Joe Pool. Marble Falls--Janet (Rogers) Graves, Margie Graves. Eastland--S.E. Carter, Joe Ben and Ann Koonce, Winnie Pearl Griffin. Stephenville--Debert and Fay Williams, Ellen Dale (Hicks) Magee, Helen (Abel) Brown, Willa Dean (Brightwell) Ormsby, Winnie (Carter) Rainer, Vicki (Lewis) Majors, Bobby Koonce, Lawrence "Bruz" Robinson. Desdemona--Dorothy (Williams) Roberts, Leo and Eloise (Wisdom) Williams, Gary Walston, Chris Johnson, Billy Koonce, Austin Koonce, Aaron Koonce, Jay and Helen (Lewis) Grimshaw, Wanda Martin, Clyde (Wilhite) Paul, Winford and Elnora Lindley, Pug and Vonnice (Keith) Guthery, Mary Alice (Brown) Carruth, Sue Owens, Jim and Kelly Fickell, Cory Carruth, Josh Carruth, Georgia Ann (Burlison) Iley, Philip and Donna Lewis, Robert Lewis, Sarah Lewis, Moody and Hazel (Riggs) Koonce Jackie Lou Whitlock, Roy Lee Whitlock, James and Freda (Lewis) Riggs, Ina Barker, Bethel Clark, Wayne and Wilma Faye (Davis) Iley, Linda (Carr) Lindley, Ruth (Crenshaw) Knaack, Agatha (Genoway) Nance, Neldon and Billie (Abernathy) Shipman, Jerry and Pat Buckley, Elwood and Nell (Grimshaw) Ragland, Donald and Wilma (Martin) Holder, Jim and Karen (Lewis) Burlison, Dorothy (Wilhite) Tidwell, Evah (Abernathy) Sparkman, Bobbie McKillip, Fay (Fox) Moore, Raymond and Estelle (Robbins) Lindley, Roy Johnson, Rudolph Duke.

Written by Vonnice (Keith) Guthery Desdemona Reporter

KOKOMO NEWS

ZELDA JORDAN -- PHONE 254-639-2289

The clouds that passed over the community on Saturday and Sunday afternoons looked promising for a little while, but no rain fell at my house. Perhaps it rained somewhere in the area.

The special music at the Kokomo Baptist Church on Sunday morning was rendered by Aletha Burgess, Kay Snider, Leona Wilson, Ruby Lee Kinser, Bro. Clarence Wilson and Woodrow Browning with Ruby Lee at the piano. Ben Wilcoxon of Gorman was a visitor.

The singing at the New Hope Baptist Church on Sunday night was wonderful. There was such a sweet spirit as members of the First Baptist Church of Gorman, First United Methodist Church of Gorman, Kokomo Baptist Church of Gorman, Carbon Baptist Church, and new hope Baptist Church and other visitors blended their voices in singing the beautiful gospel songs. My heart was really touched to see the youth of new hope participate in the service in the bell choir, leading congregation songs and singing their special songs.

A large crowd attended and also enjoyed the fellowship and refreshments in the fellowship hall following the service.

Those from Kokomo attending the singing were Bro. Clarence and Leona Wilson, Gene and Kay Snider, Nancy Hendricks, Daryl and Cecilia Hirst and Zelda Jordan and visitors, Glenda Priest and Shelby Bolls of Abilene. Daryl and Glenda rendered some of the special music.

Daryl and Glenda also rendered the music at the Sunday morning service of the National Cutting Horse Association's "Horsemen for Christ" group at the Abilene Coliseum.

Randy, Deliah, Chris and Jon Lewis of Ennis spent the weekend with Delmon and Joyce Eaves.

Oren and Norma Webb had supper with Stacy, Jacob and Kaci Webb in Comanche on Thursday night and attended the Comanche scrimmage football game. Jacob is a member of the team.

Howard and Barbara Joiner of Arlington and Lucille Joiner of Stephenville visited with their mother, Mrs. Hope Joiner on Saturday.

Lindsey Eaton of Ovalo was a recent visitor of her grandmother, Juanita Fuller, and her brother, Chad Eaton, who makes his home with his grandmother.

Woodrow and Helen Browning visited in Mineral Wells on Saturday with Gary, Donna, Lesley, Melanie and Garrett Gatlin. The Brownings took Lesley to Fort Worth for a "Birthday" shopping trip.

John and Troy Scitern met her brother and wife, Lester and Alice Rich of Grand Junction, Colorado in Ruidosa, New Mexico for a visit from August 6 to the 9th. While there, they celebrated Lester's birthday on August 7 with his favorite dinner of brisket, fresh blackeyed peas, okra and tomatoes, prepared by Troy and taken from her home. They reported a wonderful time.

Glenda priest and Shelby Bolls of Abilene visited with Zelda Jordan on Sunday afternoon.

Daisy Slaton of Gorman and Zelda Jordan spent Thursday night and Friday in Abilene with their daughters and families, and went shopping on Friday. Daisy visited with her daughter and son-in-law, Sunny and Charles Black and Andrew, and Zelda Jordan visited with her daughter, Glenda Priest and granddaughter family, Sheri, Wade, Ryan and Kody Daniell, and accompanied them for a visit to the Abilene Zoo.

Visitors with Vernon, Deon and Lindell Fields were Richard, Teresa and Taylor Nachtigall of Morgan Mill and Paul Ayres of Stephenville, Joe Fields of Carbon, Jamie Thomas of Gorman, Mary Clark and Rod Brinegar of Gorman.

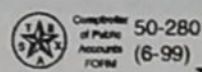
Happy Birthday to my great-grandson, Justin Miles of Austin on his 7th birthday on September 2, from great-grandma Zelda Jordan.

Kinsey, Caitlin and Kyann Wheat of Ranger spent last Wednesday with their great-grandmother, Hazel Snider. Their granddaddy, Ted Snider had lunch with them and Mrs. Snider. Their mother, Susan Wheat came for an afternoon visit and to get the girls. Belinda and Audri Segura of Gorman visited with Mrs. Snider on Thursday, La Von Snider of Brownwood visited from Friday until Monday morning. Danny Snider visited on Sunday morn-

ing, and Dwayne and Connie Snider of Stephenville visited on Sunday afternoon. Gene Snider and Jamie, Matthew and Anna Snider visited on Monday.

Craig Family Reunion

Each year on the second Saturday in August, the descendants of the late William S. (Curley) and Ruth Wilhite Craig gather for a reunion. This year, due to the heat, the group was smaller than usual, but those attending were: J.T. Craig from Phoenix, Arizona; Bill Craig and his wife Ruby from Comanche, their daughter Sandy and her husband Mike Stepkin from Stephenville, and Sandy's son, Jeremy and wife Tana from Oklahoma. Geraldine and husband George Zumner of Carbon, their daughter Jana Holland from Arlington, Jana's daughter Kristi and her fiancé Glen Canady from Rocky Mount, North Carolina. Gerry's granddaughters, Shauna Turner and daughter Paige from Bryan, Heather and her husband, Kris Duke, from Houston. Maxine Lawless and daughter Rhonda from DeLeon. Two of Maxine's grandchildren, Stephanie and David Grumbles of DeLeon. Jack Craig from Fort Worth, his son, Jack Jr., with wife Sharaine and their sons Justin and Jackson from Burleson. Helen Spellman and her son, Russell Ward, from Denver, Colorado. Russell's daughter Yolanda, her husband Lloyd Saager and their children Alyssa, Jorden, and Brandon from Killeen, Clyde Ward from Gainsville. James Craig from Houston, Mary and husband Xavier Garza from Houston, daughter Sheryle Firkus and her son Adam from Houston. Scot Hall and children Megan and Ryan from Houston. Vickie and husband Robert Barber and son, Justin, from Round Rock. A son-in-law, Wayne Hook, and children Jordan, Taylor and Robby from Houston. Doris and G.L. Whitley from Granbury. Vera and husband Richard Love from San Antonio, their daughter Shelli Truly with children Ashley, Courtney and Justin from Houston and son, Kevin Allen from California, grandson Jaxson Tollett from Houston, Doug Craig from Desdemona. Relatives coming by to visit were cousins Cy and Shirley Norris from Dublin, Ida Jones and daughter, Gayle, and granddaughter from Dublin; Mary Anderson from Georgetown, Nancy Bond and Nicki King from Desdemona; aunts Clyde Paul and Dorothy Tidwell of Desdemona.



NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING TO DISCUSS BUDGET AND PROPOSED TAX RATE

The Gorman Independent School District will hold a public meeting at 8:00 p.m. in Conference Room at Maxfield Elementary 114 Lexington, Gorman, Texas.

The purpose of this meeting is to discuss the school district's budget that will determine the tax rate that will be adopted. Public participation in the discussion is invited.

The tax rate that is ultimately adopted at this meeting or at a separate meeting at a later date may not exceed the proposed rate shown below unless the district publishes a revised notice containing the same information and comparisons set out below and holds another public meeting to discuss the revised notice.

	Comparison of Proposed Rates with Last Year's Rates				
	Maintenance & Operations	Interest & Sinking Fund*	Total	Local Revenue Per Student	State Revenue Per Student
Last Year's Rate	\$1.18592	\$.11408 *	\$ 1.30000	\$1,183.23	\$3,862.03
Less State-Funded	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Tax Relief					
Last Year's Rate Adjusted for Tax Relief	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Rate to Maintain Same Level of Maintenance & Operations Revenue & Pay Debt Service **	\$1.33891	\$0 *	\$ 1.33891	\$1,183.23	\$3,862.03
Proposed Rate	\$1.39900	\$0 *	\$ 1.39900	\$1,248.21	\$5,326.73

* The Interest & Sinking Fund tax revenue is used to pay for bonded indebtedness on construction, equipment, or both. The bonds, and the tax rate necessary to pay those bonds, were approved by the voters of this district.
** The Rate to Maintain the Same Level of Maintenance & Operations Revenue & Pay Debt Service does not reflect revenue available to the district in the 1999-2000 school year for the pay raise for classroom teachers, full-time librarians, full-time counselors, and full-time school nurses enacted by the 76th Legislature. The estimated cost of the pay raise for the 1999-2000 school year is \$123,680.00.

Comparison of Proposed Levy with Last Year's Levy on Average Residence		
	Last Year	This Year
Average Market Value of Residences	\$17,911	\$ 19,430
Average Taxable Value of Residences	\$ 2,911	\$ 4,430
Last Year's Rate Versus Proposed Rate per \$100 Value	\$1.30000	\$ 1.39900
Taxes Due on Average Residence	\$37.84	\$ 61.97
Increase (Decrease) in Taxes	\$	\$ 23.13

Under state law, the dollar amount of school taxes imposed on the residence homestead of a person 65 years of age or older or of the surviving spouse of such a person, if the surviving spouse was 55 years of age or older when the person died, may not be increased above the amount paid in the first year after the person turned 65, regardless of changes in tax rate or property value.

Notice of Rollback Rate: The highest tax rate the district can adopt before requiring voter approval at an election is 1.63057. This election will be automatically held if the district adopts a rate in excess of the rollback rate of 1.63057.

Fund Balances	
The following estimated balances will remain at the end of the current fiscal year and are not encumbered with or by a corresponding debt obligation, less estimated funds necessary for operating the district before receipt of the first state aid payment:	
Maintenance and Operations Fund Balance(s)	\$ 300,000.
Interest & Sinking Fund Balance(s)	\$ 0

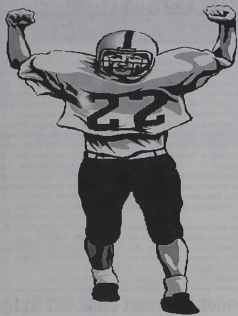
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Estelle Craddock is our Representative for the Gorman Area She may be reached by calling 254-734-2363.



GORMAN PANTHERS

US.

Cross Plains Buffaloes

Friday, Sept. 3 - 7:30 p.m. - Brogdon Field

Varsity

DATE	OPPONENT	PLACE	TIME
Sept. 3	Cross Plains	Here	7:30
Sept. 10	Throckmorton	There	7:30
Sept. 17	Albany	Here	7:30
Sept. 24*	Lometa	There	7:30
Oct. 1*	**May	Here	7:30
Oct. 8*	Santo	There	7:30
Oct. 15*	Evant	There	7:30
Oct. 22*	***Ranger	Here	7:30
Oct. 30*	Rising Star	There	7:30
Nov. 5*	Tolar	Here	7:30

* District ** Homecoming *** Parents Night

JUNIOR VARSITY

DATE	OPPONENT	PLACE	TIME
Sept. 2	Cross Plains	There	7:30
Sept. 9	Throckmorton	Here	7:30
Sept. 16	Albany	There	7:30
Sept. 23	Lometa	Here	7:30
Sept. 30	Hico Freshmen	There	7:30
Oct. 7	Santo	Here	7:30
Oct. 14	Evant	Here	7:30
Oct. 21	Ranger	There	7:30
Oct. 28	Cross Plains	Here	7:30
Nov. 4	Tolar	There	7:30

JUNIOR HIGH

DATE	OPPONENT	PLACE	TIME
Sept. 9	Throckmorton	Here	6:00
Sept. 16	Albany	There	6:00
Sept. 23	Lometa	Here	6:00
Sept. 30	May	There	6:00
Oct. 7	Santo	Here	6:00
Oct. 14	Evant	Here	6:00
Oct. 21	Ranger	There	6:00
Oct. 28	Rising Star	Here	6:00
Nov. 4	Tolar	There	6:00

HEAD COACH:

Terry Taylor

ASST. COACHES:

Kyle Coker, Greg London,
Rony Wright, Ed Jones

SUPERINTENDENT:

Gene Shackelford

PRINCIPAL:

Deag Bowden

BAND DIRECTOR:

Lisa Lammaack

CHEERLEADER SPONSOR:

Ann Heathington

CHEERLEADERS:

Emerald Guthery, Heather McGlothlin,
Alma Sanchez, Sarah Lewis, Kristin
Turner, Kendra Dickerson

MASCOT:

Jamie Maupin

DRUM MAJOR:

Levi Roberts

TWIRLERS:

Madelyn Wilkins
Amanda Janacek

FLAGS:

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1999 GORMAN PANTHERS - Varsity

NO	NAME	WT.	POSITION	CLASS
7	JOSH LONGORIA	165	QB-DB	JR.
20	MICHAEL LYNCH	165	WR-FS	SOPH.
22	DATHAN WRIGHT	190	RB-LB	SR.
24	DAVID SEATON	150	RB-LB	JR.
26	ERICK PARK	195	RB-LB	JR.
31	BRADLEY GILMORE	170	WR-DB	SR.
32	A.J. TORRES	165	WR-LB	SR.
50	JOSH JOHNSON	220	OL-DL	JR.
51	MIKE TORRES	175	OL-LB	JR.
60	BOBBY COX	175	OL-DE	JR.
61	RANDAL DE LA TORRE	230	OL-DL	SOPH.
62	WILLIAM CURB	230	OL-DL	SR.
66	JACKSON COOPER	210	OL-DL	JR.
70	BUBBA HAGOOD	225	OL-DE	SR.
72	COLE SANDLIN	245	OL-DL	SR.
74	JOSEPH DUVAL	170	OL-DE	JR.
77	BRIAN HUNT	245	OL-DL	FR. (weight of 245)
80	T.J. JAY	125	OL-DL	JR.
82	TERRY PEREZ	120	WR-DB	JR.

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25-Year Reunion

The Class of 1974 will hold their 25 year reunion on Saturday, September 11 at the Gorman School Cafeteria from 1:30 to 5 p.m.

Thanks

The Gorman Voluntary Fire Department would like to thank Windell Treadway, Johnny Eaves, Justin Underwood, and John Moss for their help at the hay fire on Hwy. 6.

Peanut Producers to See New Nematode Resistant Peanut Varieties

Peanut producers to see new nematode resistant peanut varieties. Nematodes are the number one peanut pest causing thousands of dollars in damage and costing many more thousands in treatment each year.

Dr. Forrest Mitchell will discuss the spread of TSWV and new advances in control.

A third and final stop will be on the George Bingham field on FM 2247 about 5 miles north of Comanche. This stop includes two research plots with the nematode resistant peanut varieties.

A second plot includes work by Dr. Charles Simpson, Peanut Plant Breeder. Charles will explain the progress being made on nematode resistance and show producers all the varieties that are being grown and tested.

Sponsors for the Peanut Producer Tour include Comanche Electric Cooperative, Stephenville Production Credit Association, Comanche National Bank, First National Bank, UAP Southwest-Farley, DeLeon Crop Insurance, Golden peanut Company, Valent, DeLeon irrigation Supply, Bayer, Dow AgroSciences, American Cyanamid, Rhone Poulenc Ag. Co., and Birdsong Peanuts.

Bob Whitney, Comanche Co. County Extension Agent-AG

John Weaver Appointed to DeLeon Hospital Board

On Thursday, August 26, 1999, the DeLeon Hospital Board appointed John M. Weaver to fill the unexpired term of Stephen Wise who moved to Bedford.

John Mack Weaver, as most people know him has been very involved in

ing would be done by Judge Sam R. Cummings.

Comanche Attorney Jim Parker is representing the six petitioners, but was unable to comment because he hadn't seen the removal order.

Several questions arose following the legal move -- the foremost being "Can St. Jude's obtain a license while a case is awaiting a ruling?"

Nanci Gibbons who heads the agency that can grant that license is currently away from her office, due to a death in her family and could not provide an answer.

Rumors have run rampant since it was learned De Leon was on Saint Jude's planning board for a possible emergency shelter.

ing were all part of a comprehen-

CARBON NEWS By MICHELLE THACKERSON

We had a nice little shower here in Carbon on Saturday and Sunday afternoons, so keep praying--it is working.

Additional Carbon Cemetery Association donors are: Arleta Shirey, in memory of Price Hall. Bobby J. Jackson, Wanda Pack in memory of Betty Jackson and Elizabeth Harris.

I would like to thank Wanda Bryant

for writing all the Cemetery Association donors down and keeping up with them to give to me.

"Yours, O Lord, is the greatness and the power and the Glory and the majesty and the splendor, for everything in heaven and earth is yours. Your, O Lord, is the Kingdom; you are exalted as head over all.

Have a wonderful week and God Bless You.

From Whence I Came

By Wanda Lee Beck Skinner

In recent Genealogical helper I read where the regional archives are threatened. I received an E-mail asking people to write and try to stop this.

Query: I am seeking information on William Isaac Franklin born about 1833 in Louisiana and his wife Nancy Henrietta Andrews born about 1839 in Louisiana.

Query: I am trying to locate any descendants of Martin Walter Tankersley who was born January 1, 1846 in Hopkins, Hood, or Erath Co. of Texas.

the community and county ever since he moved back to DeLeon. He recently headed up the Community Fund-raising Committee, raising \$125,000 for the new Kimmell Wellness Center at the DeLeon Hospital.

Old Ripfest '99

The 1999 "Old Ripfest" and parade promise to make for a fun-filled, action-packed day Saturday, September 18, on the square in downtown Eastland.

Immediately after the parade, festival goers can sample a multitude of food and drink items, while cheering on firefighters from area towns, who will be competing for prize money in the first annual "Old Rip Firefighter Challenge."

Scholarships from the Nancy Seaberry Frost Arts Endowment will be awarded during the course of the afternoon. Funds from this endowment, totaling \$20,000.00, will be dispersed to area children and young people for music education.

Horned Toad Derby racers will begin competing at 1:00 p.m. with trophies for the fastest racers, and an exhibition race with 2 "pro-toad racers."

Whether you are looking for fun, food, entertainment, or just a way to spend a great day in September, make plans now to spend Saturday, September 18 in downtown Eastland for a "Rip-Roaring" good time!

Horned Toad Derby

The excitement is building as toad racers begin painting and crafting their Horned Toad Derby vehicles! These remote control race-toads will compete at 1 p.m. on Saturday, September 18, 1999 at the annual "Old Ripfest."

All shapes, sizes, and colors of toads are expected for this new and exciting event which makes its debut as a major part of the festival activities. This is the first time in many years the Horned Toad Derby has been open to include additional levels of competition.

Age 11 and under--Little Toads Age 12-18--Cool Toads Age 19 and Up--Big Ol' Toads The grand finale of the derby will pit the winners of the three divisions against one another for the Grand prize trophy.

Don't miss the fun! Start making

DESDEMONA NEWS

By Vonnie Guthery

First Baptist Church of Desdemona had average attendance last Sunday for the morning service. Annette Cummings brought the special music. Visitors were Jim and Gladys Gremshaw of DeLeon and Marion Boatright of Weatherford.

Zelma (Forrest) Sharp recently had surgery for a complete hip replacement. She is at home now recovering very well.

You are invited to play dominoes each Monday night, 7:00 p.m. at the Community Center. Bring your own "snacks," dominoes and come on for games of 42 and 84.

Bernard and Ann Keith returned

home this weekend after a 6 week vacation in New Mexico near Cloudfroft. They reported a good trip, but always good to be back home.

Jody Walston spent several days recently in Denver, Colorado sight-seeing and attending dog shows.

Dorothy Roberts is improving slowly since her knee replacement surgery. She is in Fort Worth with her daughter, Ulenda Weaver. She will be home by the end of the week.

Jerry and Pat Buckley was in Alvin last weekend to attend a birthday party for Pat's great aunt, Viola Abbot, who celebrated her 100th birthday.

Jerry Buckley visited a few days this past week with his brother, James Buckley in New Castle.

Have a nice day.

Goober Gourmet Cook-Off Rules

Notice to the good cooks in Gorman and surrounding areas: The Peanut cook-off is near! We need you help in making this one a success. Simply.....

- 1. Make or back something. Categories are: appetizers, salads, soups, main dishes, vegetables, breads, desserts, sauces, snacks, cookies and candy. Each entry must be made with peanuts or peanut products. 2. Wrap entry with clear wrap so the item can be seen through wrapper. 3. Have your entries at the Senior Citizen building between the hours of 7:30 a.m. and 8:45 a.m. Saturday, September 11. Judging will begin promptly at 9 a.m. 4. In order to be judged each entry must have a recipe. Your name, age (for kid's only), and category should be on the back of your recipe so it will not interfere with judging.

All foods with names and recipes will be on display in the Senior Citizens building after judging is complete. Awards will be displayed with winning entries. All other food entries may be picked up at 1 p.m.

All recipes will become the property of the Peanut Festival Cook-off Committee. At some future date we plan to publish a cookbook of entries. Your recipe with your name will be a part of this!

Z.J.'s Restaurant is donating a special award of two free steak dinners to the Best of Show this year.

Thank you for all you help and interest in this part of our Festival and for making our Festival larger each year. If you have questions regarding the Cook-off, contact Joy Rogers at 734-2445 after 5 p.m.

Monty Harper Featured at 'Old Ripfest'

Children's singer/songwriter, Monty Harper, of Stillwater, Oklahoma will be one of the featured entertainers at the 1999 "Old Ripfest" Saturday, September 18. This Oklahoma native has a master's degree from Oklahoma State University and is beginning his fifth year as an Oklahoma Arts Council touring artist.

The newest song, a soon-to-be released recording, titled Way Out West, is full of whoppers and tall tales. This tune has an entire verse which features Eastland County and Old Rip. Another tune entitled, "Horny Toad", explores the humorous nature and habits of the native horned lizard.

For the past three years, Monty has helped develop the Children's Music Web <www.childrenmusic.org> a world-wide Internet resource for kids, educators, and musicians. This year's performance at "Old Ripfest" is sponsored by the Eastland Fine Arts Association.

Wildfire Danger

Since West Texas has been dry most of the summer, the Texas Forest Service has mobilized a West Texas Wildfire prevention team in Abilene. The prevention team has been in place since August 16, 1999. Their mission is to spread the Wildfire Prevention Word, assist volunteer fire departments and county commissioners in implementing burning bans and promote Wildfire Prevention Awareness!

Wildfire Potential Throughout West Texas

Folks, it is part of our West Texas heritage to look out for one another and pull together when the going gets rough. Neighbor watching out for neighbor--it is the West Texas way. Right now, the grasslands are tinder dry and the danger of horrible wildfires is just about as high as it can get. So, please be extra cautious with anything that might start a fire in the out-of-doors. Welding equipment, hay balers, cigarette butts and hot catalytic converters can all start fires.

your remote control toad-racer today. Entry forms will get one from the Eastland Chamber of Commerce. Enter now!

Barbarian Festival and Cook-off, Sept. 4

Cross Plains, home of Robert E. Howard the creator of Conan the Barbarian, will celebrate its first Barbarian Festival and Cook-off on Saturday, September 4, 1999. The festival kicks off with a parade down main Street at 9:30 a.m. and continues at the festival grounds until 6 p.m. that evening.

Have supper in town then head on back to the festival grounds at 9 p.m. for the outdoor dance featuring the very popular, award winning, Southern Cross.

It's not too late to be a part of the festival. Just call (254)725-6397 for information on how to be in the parade, to be a vendor, to entertain on the day stage, or to compete in the Cook-off Contest. If you want to participate but don't know what you could possibly do to make money, give us a call we have lots of good ideas.

Bluegrass Festival

The Anson Chamber of Commerce is very happy to be sponsoring the Fifth Annual Bluegrass-Gospel Show again this year. The dates are September 24 and 25th, 1999.

The Festival will begin with a concert in the "Mays Family Botanical Memorial Garden" on Friday night, September 24th around sundown. A concert will be presented by the "Cool Water Trio." They are similar to the Sons of the Pioneers. The Chamber will serve sandwiches, chips, pickles, cold drinks and dessert for \$5.00. The price of the concert will be \$4.00 for adults and \$2.00 for children 12 years and under. This will be an evening of entertainment that you will not want to miss--just bring your lawn chairs.

The all day Saturday show will be in the spacious, cool and comfortable "Anson Auditorium" on the high school campus. \$10.00 all day adult tickets, \$6.00 all day children (12 and under) can be purchased at the door as well as \$7.00 adult night tickets and \$4.00 Children (12 and under).

Bands performing are Billy Joe Foster & Special Edition (formerly with Ricky Skaggs), Red Oak of Dallas, The Gore Brothers from Big Lake, Texas, Willow Bend Reunion, Hickory Hill from Avinger, Texas, the Vinings and Special Guest are the Duff Sisters. For more information, please call the Anson Chamber of Commerce @ 915/823-3259.

St. Jude's legal case goes to Federal Court

Attorneys acting on the behalf of Saint Jude's Ranch for Children in Gorman filed a removal Monday that moved a petition for an injunction against a residential treatment center from District Court in Eastland to Federal Court in Abilene.

Since news of the petition became public, 205 Gorman area property owners have indicated they would join an intervention and would add their names to the suit.

Durwood Burgess, one of the six property owners on the original petition expressed his disappointment about the legal move.

"It now seems everything has been put on hold," Burgess said. "We were hoping to have the case heard before a local judge, because this is a local problem."

The case may be local again if Saint Jude's attorneys can't prove it belongs there. A review may put the case back in Eastland, but if the case were to stay in Federal Court, it could be 12-18 months before a rul-

Advertisement for 'The Gorman Progress' featuring a sailboat graphic. Text includes: 'Check out all the wiggle... Your ship has come in!', 'Planning a Destination Theme Wedding?', 'Follow the Rainbow down the aisle!', and a list of services: Envelope seals, Napkins, Thank yous, Programs, Invitations, Enclosures. Contact info: See Jackie - Joe or Jake for your Invitation Needs. Phone 254-734-2410 -- Downtown Gorman.

Advertisement for 'Superior Speed Via T-1 Line' and 'Local Call Internet'. Text includes: 'Now Available For Gorman LOCAL CALL INTERNET \$23.50 + Tax Setup \$25.00'. 'Come by the Gorman Progress to see the internet in operation. See Jake at the Progress - 254-734-2411 or 7342410.'

After 79 years in DeLeon-----

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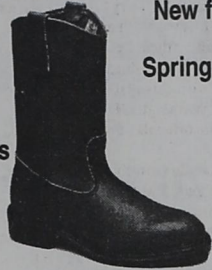
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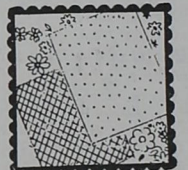
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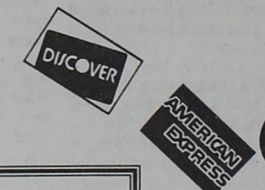


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Heritage Manor News

By Nancy Hendricks

A Note from the Administrator

The excitement from our recent fire has almost ended. On August 20, 1999 we had the electricity back to normal and all the air-conditioner units were working. The staff residents sure are enjoying the chiller system in the middle building being on. The building is much cooler and our central system is not over-working itself. An occurrence that could have turned out very damaging turned out "almost" without incident. Now all we have left is to finish the interior and exterior work on the building and all will be finished. Thanks again for all the community support offered in our time of need. See you at the Nursing Home!
(s) Jeff

Visiting Modess Self and Irene Heathington were Ken and Betty Sue Heathington, Dave and Lanita Freeman, Mayvis Lasater, Eunice Love.

Birthday Party

It was a happy time at Heritage Manor on Thursday at 2:00 p.m. when everyone assembled to honor Mildred Bellows and Hazel Wisdom. The First United Methodist Church gave the ladies pink and white carnation corsages. De' Witt he nerd gave a very funny program. She always wanted a store-bought facial so Mona Zemeskal gave her one sight-unseen like you have never seen before!

The honorees' families hosted the party refreshments of birthday cake, diet coke, lemon bars, ice cream and yogurt by Pat, Merlene, Eloise and Pat Graham. Anna Rush and Geraldine Wright served resident unable to attend and the staff. Birthday napkins and plates were used.

Present were the honorees Mildred Bellows, her husband, Jack Bellows and daughter Pat and her husband Darrell Graham; Hazel and children, Bob and Merlene Wisdom, Leo and Eloise Williams and Pat Kincannon.

Residents present were Ora Mae Atchison, Ola Walker, Frankie Jarrett, Ollie Halcomb, S.D. Gilmore, Modess Self, Inez Rogers, A.V. Seay, Estelle Morris, B.T. Hanna, Velma Bennett, Myrtle Hale, Ava Rodgers, Muriel Hargrove.

Guests were Anna Rush, Geraldine Wright, Jeff Bacher, Ruth Bryant, Mona Zemeskal, Ina Smith, and Nancy Hendricks.

Honorees received gifts from Muriel Hargrove, First Baptist Church, Church of Christ, Heritage Manor and family members.

Visiting Bea O'Neal were Mayvis Lasater, Howard and Pat Hagood, and Eunice Love.

Ima Brown, Nancy Hendricks, Jana Grice, Faye Tucker visited Ava Rodgers.

On Sunday morning Bro. Harold and Beth Welch of the First Baptist Church taught the Sunday School lesson for Inez Rogers, Frankie Jarrett, Patti Whitehorn, Veno Hale, A.V. Seay, Ora Mae Atchison, Mildred Bellows, Iola Johnson, Modess Self, Velma Bennett, Dorothy Beaty and Ollie Halcomb.

Visiting Venita Hammon were Becky Hammon, Christine Hammon, Jeremy Hammon, Chris Shupp, Sam Torrez, Emily torrez, Mayvis Lasater.

On Monday morning, Ina Smith and Pat Graham had bingo for Inez Rogers, Frankie Jarrett, patti Whitehorn, Veno Hale, Ollie Halcomb, Jack and Mildred Bellows, Iola Johnson, Velma Bennett, S.D. Gilmore, Myrtle Hale, Ora Mae Atchison and Modess Self.

Visiting Ima Lee Burleson were Jim and Karen Burleson, Howard and George Iley, Howard and Pat Hagood.

Mon Monday, those coming for the Sing-A-Long were Zelda Jordan, Daisy Slaton, Willow Rice, Ethel Weaver, Ernestine Campbell, Marjorie Treadway, Alpha Mae Andry, Pat Hagood, Ruth Bryant, and Nancy Hendricks. Residents were Frankie Jarrett, Ollie Halcomb, S.D. Gilmore, Ava Rodgers, Modess Self, Muriel Hargrove, Velma Bennett, Estelle Morris, Myrtle Hale, Inez Rogers, A.V. Seay, Veno Hale, and Jack Bellows.

Visiting Muriel Hargrove were Bodie Weaver, Dustin Wright, Cody Welch, Bailey Welch, Mike Wright, Jackie Auvenshine of DeLeon. Bill and Edna Welch, Gerald Hargrove of Proctor Lake.

Some guests of Velma Bennett and Estelle Morris were Benny and Marjorie Duske, William Duske, Icy Munn, Leon and Ollie Childress of Sidney, Nancy Hendricks, Ruth Bryant, Howard and Pat Hagood.

On Friday morning, Pat Graham and Amy Johnston had bingo for Jack and Mildred Bellows, Inez Rogers, Veno Hale, A.V. Seay, Patti Whitehorn S.D. Gilmore, Frankie Jarrett, Muriel Hargrove, Velma Bennett, Iola Johnson, Ora Mae Atchison, Modess Self, Cynthia Earles, Ima Lee Burleson, and Myrtle Hale.

Marjorie Duske gave Estelle Morris a new permanent.

Visiting Dorothy Beaty and Ollie Halcomb were Nita Jones Cardinal and Juanita Spence of Little Elm, David and Denna Halcomb.

On Friday evening those doing art and painting were Ollie Halcomb, A.V. Seay, Veno Hale, Velma Bennett and Inez Rogers.

Visiting Frankie Jarrett and Patti Whitehorn were Trevor Robertson of Kerrville, Bill Johnson, Tena Sanders, Clifton Jarrett, Rev. T.D. Whitehorn, Mary Estes, Sylvia Estes, Marie Cook, Ina Reynolds of Carbon, Mayvis Lasater, and Mark Watson.

On Tuesday morning Betty Duke of Desdemona came and played the electric organ and led singing for Ollie Halcomb, A.V. Seay, Inez Rogers, Ima Lee Burleson, Frankie Jarrett, Iola Johnson, Estelle Morris, ora Mae Atchison, S.D. Gilmore, Muriel Hargrove, Modess Self, Velma Bennett and Mildred Bellows.

Visiting S.D. Gilmore were Howard and Pat Hagood, Durwood Webb, Mayvis Lasater, Alpha Mae Andry.

Some of Myrtle Hale and A.V. Seay guests were Thurmon Hale of DeLeon, Diana Gilder of Denton, Janice Glover, Ennis and Nina Joiner, Argie and Marjorie Hale of DeLeon, Mayvis Lasater, Howard and Pat Hagood, Thomas and Vickie Seay.

Attending "crazy" bingo with Ina Smith on Tuesday were Inez Rogers, Ollie Halcomb, Patti Whitehorn, Veno Hale, A.V. Seay, S.D. Gilmore, Velma

Bennett, Myrtle Hale, Jack Bellows and Frankie Jarrett.

Some of Jack and Mildred Bellow guests were Darrell and Pat Graham, Eunice Love, Mayvis Lasater, howard and Pat Hagood.

Karen Guthery gave A.V. Seay a new permanent.

Visiting Ora Mae Atchison and Inez Rogers were Ouida Joyce and Kacey Gartman of Comay, Edie Nichols and Tiffany Nowlin of Stephenville, Chesley Royace, Evelyn, Robert and Jessie Atchison of Aberdin, Maryland, Dixie Pack, Violet Watson, Georgia and Howard Iley of Desdemona, Buddy Rogers of Ranger, and of Ranger, Lugene Morris of DeLeon, Chesley Atchison, Fred Rogers, Eunice

Love, Howard and Pat Hagood, Mayvis Lasater.

Karen Burleson gave Ima Lee Burleson a new permanent.

Ed Johnson guests were Fay Johnson, Mayvis Lasater, Howard and Pat Hagood, Robert Ervin.

On Wednesday, Ennis Joiner of the First Baptist Church brought chapel for Frankie Jarrett, Veno Hale, A.V. Seay, Velma Bennett, Iola Johnson, Myrtle Hale, Ima Lee Burleson, S.D. Gilmore, Patti Whitehorn, Ora Mae Atchison, Estelle Morris, Muriel Hargrove, Inez Rogers, Modess Self, Jack and Mildred Bellows.

Visiting Vadis Phelps were Faye Tucker, Birdie Hogan, Kellye Carruth, Mitzi McGaha, Eunice Love, Howard and Pat Hagood, Mayvis Lasater.

Visiting Muriel Prewitt were Bro.

Paul Denton, Grace Townley, Durwood Webb and Eunice Love.

Heritage Manor is happy to report B.T. Hanna has returned from Eastland Memorial Hospital.

On Wednesday afternoon, Ruth Campbell came and played the electric organ and led singing for Modess Self, Dorothy Beaty, Ollie Halcomb, Inez Rogers, Veno Hale, A.V. Seay, Frankie Jarrett, jack and Mildred Bellows, Iola Johnson, Ora Mae Atchison, S.D. Gilmore, Estelle Morris and Velma Bennett.

Recently visiting Mary Williams were Maxine Frasier of DeLeon, Ina Reynolds of Carbon, Pat and Howard Hagood, Mayvis Lasater.

Attending Council Meeting on Thursday were Veno Hale, Ollie Halcomb, A.V. Seay, Inez Rogers,

S.D. Gilmore, Velma Bennett and Estelle Morris.

Visiting Buddy Winn were Terese, Haylee and Mark Manantall of Grapevine, Debbie Phillips and Joan Winn of Boise, Harvey Winn of Carbon, pat and Howard Hagood and Durwood Webb.

Visiting Hazel Wisdom and Stella Files were Bob and Merlene Wisdom, Leo and Eloise Williams of Desdemona, Ken and Pat Kincannon of Hico, Mayvis Lasater, Eunice Love, Nancy Hendricks, Ruth Bryant, Eunice Love.

Visiting Agnes Akard and Violet Richardson were Joe Etheredge, Enad Cliffa Vaughn, Mayvis Lasater, Howard and Pat Hagood.

Visiting Cynthia Earles were Robert Ervin, Pat Hagood, Eunice Love, Nancy Hendricks, and Ruth Bryant.

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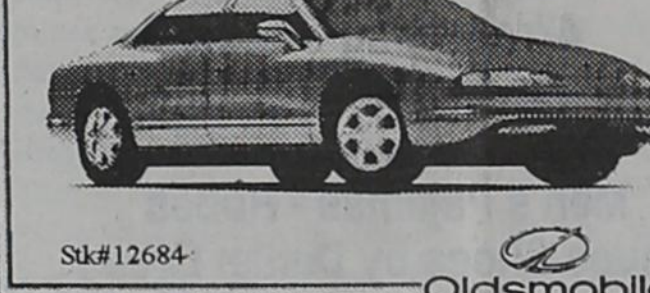
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