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General Election Saturday May 6th committee To Meet

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The City of Gorman General Election will be held on Saturday, May 6, 2000. Voting will be in the Gorman Community Center from 7:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m.

Places up for election will be Mayor, and Commission Places #2 and #4.

Those who have signed up to run for the position of Mayor are Robert Ervin, Billy Joe Dennis and Kenneth Good. Those who have signed up to run for Commissioner Place

#2 are Tim Dennis and incumbent Donnie Rodgers. Running for Commissioner Place #4 is Judy Warren, in-

cumbent.

County Commissioners Resolution Approved On Gorman Railroad Spur

Eastland County Commissioners Monday approved a Resolution to support a Grant application for funds to rebuild a railroad spur from De Leon to Gorman.

County Judge Brad Stephenson said that the met recently on this infrastructure project with Senator David Sibley, a Gorman Economic Development Group, and officials from Erath and Comanche County.

He told of the value the spur would be to Birdsong Peanuts of Gorman, Red Chain Feed and others who depend on trucks to get products in and out.

Right now railcars with produce (such as corn) for Gorman have to be unloaded at Ranger, and the material sent by truck.

Stephenson said there is \$750,000 available (for Eastland County's part) in grants for no-interest loans. He said the railroad rebuilding could be a join regional project between three counties involved.

The railroad spur would tie in with the Fort Worth Western Railroad System, which would also counnect with other lines in Fort Worth.

The Judge remarked that access by the spur with create at least 28 new jobs at Birdsong Peanuts alone.

He noted that peanut poundage is moving to West Texas, but Birdsong has given "strong assurances that they have no intention of leaving Eastland County."

The Commissioners agreed with him, and all present voted for the resolution.

This article in part was copied from the Eastland Teleram, Sunday, April 16th issue.

Gorman Students Honored



EXCELLENCE MEDALLIONS — These Gorman High School students received medallions recently from the Texas State Board of Education recognizing their academic excellence. Tarleton State University was one of 21 college and university campuses statewide to hose the annual "Celebration of Educational Excellence" program. Reciving recognition from Gorman High School were (from left) Keith Treadway, Jamie Maupin, Irma Lopez, Ryan Keller and Shari Marlow. Not pictured are Madelyn Wilkins, Bobbie Jo Grissom, Robert Lewis, Mark Glover and Colton Van Dusen. (TSU New Service Photo)

Oakland Cemetery Association Meeting Kokomo-Simpson Cemetery Homecoming Oliver Springs Cemetery Work-Day All Begin Saturday, May 6

Next Town Meeting Set More Improvements To Come

It was decided at the Town Meeting last Thursday that we (the citizens of Gorman) would begin work right away on a project that would bring immediate results. The project will be improvements in the Downtown Park. There will be another Town Meeting on Monday, May 15 at 7 p.m. in the Community Center to begin getting ideas for what improvements we want, volunteers for time and materials, etc. This effort will include our Senior Citizens to our Youth and Everyone in Between. It is especially important for everyone to give their ideas, so we know what the parents want for their kids, the Senior Citizens for their needs, and the Youth for their needs as well. Please make plans to attend this meeting. For more info call Lori Dodd at 254-734-2933 or 734-3637.

Peanut Festival

The Peanut Festival Committee will hold a Meeting on Wednesday, May 10th at 5:30 p.m. at Community Center.

Heritage Manor To Host Health Fair Tuesday, May 23rd

Heritage Manor of Gorman will be hosting a Health Fair at 600 Roosevelt on May 23rd from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Free Hamburgers, Hot Dogs and Drinks. Health Screening including Cholestrol, Blood Pressure, Immunizations. Door Prizes to, Come Join Us.

We have an Electric Scooter from Scooter Mart in Eastland donated. There solving skills. will be a drawing for the Scooter.

Childrens Health Insurance Program

The new CHIP program is designed to provide medical coverage for children whose parents can't afford private insurance. A CHIP representative will be in Gorman on Tuesday, May 23rd. They will be located at the Heritage Manor Health Fair from 10:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. Applications and assistance will be available. Applicants will need to bring their last two months income verification, or a letter from their employer, and verification of day-care expenses. If you have any questions, please call our office at 1-800-592-7433.

CHEERLEADING MINI CAMP SLATED

The Gorman High School Cheerleaders will be offering a Mini-Camp on May 8-11 in the gym. The camp will begin each afternoon at 3:30 until 5:00, ages 4 and up are invited to attend. Cost of the camp will be \$25.00, refreshments will be served each day. If you have any questions please call Cheri at 254-734-2131 or 734-2668.

Kenneth Good For Mayor

My name is Kenneth Good, and I have served on the City Council for two terms. Presently I am serving as Mayor Pro-tem. I would like to ask for your vote as Mayor of Gorman.

I have lived in Gorman for almost twenty-nine years and have four children that have graduated from Gorman High School. They each received a fine education from our local school and went on to graduate from college.

I am a member of the First Baptist Church where I serve as a Deacon and Chairman of the Budget Committee. I also teach a Sunday School class at the nursing home each week. I am an active member of the Gorman Masonic Lodge and Scottish Rite.

I feel my experience as a Council member who has never been over budget in my department will greatly

Glover To Compete At State UIL



Mark Glover Headline Writing

Gorman High School has qualified Mark Glover for the 1999-2000 University Interscholastic League Academic State Meet to be held May 6-8 at The University of Texas at Austin. Glover qualified by placing 2nd in Headline Writing at the Regional Meet in Abilene.

The journalism coach, Linda Glover, will accompany him. Mark will be the 37th student that Mrs. Glover has coached who has qualified for the State Academic Meet. He is the fifth Gorman High School student she has taken to compete at the state meet in Headline Writing.

"Students who participate in UIL academics are as competitive as any athlete or musician," said Bobby Hawthorne, UIL Academic Director. "They devote untold hours to practice and invitational meet competition, and for many, these hours will be among the most important they spend during their high school careers. Over the years, we've heard from hundreds of students who claim that these contests were the most fulfilling and rewarding activities of their entire high school careers."

UIL academic contests range from feature writing to accounting, and from computer science to poetry interpretation. Of the 2.2 million students who participated in UIL

activities last year, 420,000 competed in one or more of the 22 general academic con-

The purpose of these contests, Hawthorne said, is to teach thinking and problem-

"In its own way, each contest — whether math or Lincoln-Douglas debate or editorial writing — is intended to teach the thinking skills students will need in college and in the work force. We know that employers want employees who can solve problems, speak effectively and write clearly. Each contest is designed to help students reach these goals."

Through participation at the State Meet, students qualify for the Texas Interscholastic League Foundation scholarships. Since its inception in 1954, the TILF has provided \$13.2 million to approximately 11,600 Texas high school students. This year, the TILF expects to award an estimated 630 new and renewed grants, valued at over one \$1 million. Grants and donations form foundations and individuals have funded these academic scholarships. Each dollar that the TILF receives goes directly for scholarships, and no administrative or other overhead expenses are deducted.

To The Citizens of Gorman and Surrounding Area

As most of you are aware, I have decided not to seek re-election as Mayor of Gorman. As for a reason, I felt it was time for a change. I have been on the City Council in one capacity or another since 1983, sometimes pleasurable, and sometimes not.

The reason I'm writing this letter is to ask each of you, whether you live in the city or area, to consider a few questions:

Are you satisfied to see Gorman as a town keep dwindling away?

Are your satisfied to see all of our brightest young people have to leave in order to make a decent living?

Are you satisfied with the appearance of Gorman?

Are you satisfied with the quality of life in Gorman?

What are you satisfied or dissatisfied with?

I don't expect any personal response to these questions. I'm only trying to stir a little interest. Every person in this town and community has a stake in what happens here, but very few of you are willing to do anything about it. "Thank You" to those of you who do get

We have an election here, Saturday, May 6th, and I challenge each of you to take an interest — get out and "VOTE". Get involved, show some pride and interest in your community. I want to encourage each of you to vote for the people you think are the most innovative and involved in what's happening in our town. Vote for people who are Proactive, not Reactive. As I heard one of our merchants say in a meeting the other day, "We need to be thinking, "Gorman Proud", not "Poor Little Ole Gorman!"

It has been my pleasure to serve as your Mayor and Councilman. I hope the town is in no worse shape now, as when I started. A special "Thanks" to all the people who have served with me over the years, and to all of the City Employees.

Now, "Everyone" — Get out and Vote and get involved.

Sincerely, Jack Simpson

Singing At Rock **Bluff Baptist Church**

The Rock Bluff Baptist Church will have an All-Day Singing on Sunday, May 7th. The singing will start at 10:00 a.m. and last until about 3:00 or 3:30 p.m. There will be a Covered Dish Luncheon. Call Vicki Robinette at 893-5501 for further information. Everyone is invited to come and enjoy the day at Rock Bluff Baptist Church.

aid me in the office of Mayor of Gorman. I will strive to keep city spending at a level where taxes will not have to be raised.

Since I am retiring this year after thirty-seven years in the teaching profession, I will be able to devote a great would greatly appreciate School. your vote for Mayor.

Kenneth Good Mayor of Gorman



The Branding Iron Restaurant opened Monday by owners Brent and Debra Cogburn.

The couple are no strangers to Gorman or the restaurant buesiness.

Brent is a native of De Leon and grandson of Donal Farrow and worked at LaDon's for many years.

Debra is the daughter of the late Jim Hutson, and Louise Hutson and granddaughter of Pauline Welch of Gorman. deal of time to the city. I She grew up in Gorman nd is a graduate of Gorman High

> They operated the Cedar Barn near Dublin for two years. Brent has been a cook most of his adult life, his special-Candidate for ity is Barbecue and Catfish, he teasingly said "he stole most Continued On Page Three

OBITUARIES

Esta Lee Johnson Laid to Rest

Esta Lee Johnson, 80, of DeLeon died Sunday, April 30, 2000 in a Texarkana hospital. Services were Tuesday, May 2, 2000 at the First Baptist Church in DeLeon with Tom Satterwhite officiating. Burial was in the DeLeon Cemetery

Mrs. Johnson was born on January 11, 1920 in Beattie, Texas to the late John Abner Andress and Lena Ethel Rogers Andress. She married Roy Johnson on April 8, 1938 in Freer, Texas. She was a homemaker and had been employed at the DeLeon Hospital as a medical supply nurse. She was a member of the DeLeon First Baptist Church and had lived in DeLeon most of her life.

Survivors include her husband, Roy Johnson of DeLeon; one son, Ronald Johnson of Temple; one daughter, Margaret Ann Forrest of Odessa; one brother, Weldon Andress of DeLeon; 9 grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren.

She was also preceded by one brother, Garland Andress and two sisters, Zora McPherson and Ima Medford.

Inez Roberson Laid to Rest

Inez Roberson, 83, of DeLeon passed away on Monday, May 1, 2000 at her residence. Services were held on Wednesday, May 3, 2000 at the Nowlin Funeral Home Chapel with "Fuzzy" Roberson of DeLeon; one son, Jackie Auvenshine officiating. Burial Stanley Johnston of Granbury; two Alan Wallace officiating. was in the Oliver Springs Cemetery.

Mrs. Roberson was born on February 6, 1917 in Comanche County, Texas to the late Clyde and Alma Park Setzler. She married Virgil Alton "Fuzzy" Roberson on October 2, 1965 in Weatherford, Texas. She was a retired salesperson for White's Auto Company and had lived in the DeLeon area most of her life. She was a Baptist.

Survivors include her husband,

Services Held for Leona McCrary

at the DeLeon Hospital. Graveside services were held on Wednesday, May 3, 2000 at the DeLeon Cemetery with Jackie Auvenshine officiating.

Mrs. McCrary was born on June 2, 1910 in Anson, Texas to Walter Gray and Jesse Patterson Gray, both deceased. She married Arie Leavell McCrary on November 7, 1937. They lived in the Downing-Suez Community until moving to DeLeon in 1982. She was a homemaker and member of the Assembly of God Church, and had been a DeLeon resident since 1982.

of DeLeon; daughter-in-law Mae Bell of Stephenville; four grandchildren, DeLeon.

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bury and Jerry Smith of Van Buren, Arkansas; three brothers, Velton "Curly" Setzler, Wayne Setzler and Donald Setzler, all of DeLeon; three sisters, Sonny Daniels, Jean Leon; 5 grandchildren and 10 greatgrandchildren.

Also preceded by one brother, Arvil



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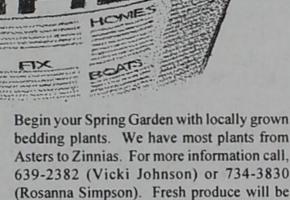
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Leona McCrary, 89, of DeLeon passed away on Monday, May 1, 2000

Survivors include one daughter, Betty Rice and son-in-law, Robert Rice McCrary of Odessa; two sisters, Jessie Little of Big Spring and Grace Perry Donna Overton and husband Carl of Odessa; Diana Petrosky and husband Craig of Odessa, Stephen Rice and wife Pam of DeLeon and Michael Rice of Fort Worth; four great-grandchildren, Travis and Courtney Overton of Odessa and Kayla and Colton Rice of

She was also preceded by her husband, Leavell McCrary and one son, Harold Wayne McCrary; two sisters, Ola Whitehead, Pauline Southerland; and five brothers, Eldon, Jake, Lloyd,

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Services Held for **Iris Ann Hughes**

Iris Ann Hughes, 72, of DeLeon passed away on Tuesday, April 25, 2000 at her residence. Services were on Friday, April 28, 2000 at the United Pentecostal Church in DeLeon with Varence Dupre officiating. Burial was in the DeLeon Cemetery.

Mrs. Hughes was born on January 19, 1928 in Bridgeport, West Virginia to Abner S. and Agnes Lang Stout, both deceased. She married Charles Hughes, who preceded her. She was a homemaker and had resided in DeLeon five years, coming from Grapevine, Texas. She was a member of the Pentecostal Church.

Survivors include three daughters, Beth Hicks of Irving, Linda Starcher of Parkersburg, West Virginia and Amanda Braden of Bridgeport, West Virginia; one brother, Abner Stout of Bridgeport, West Virginia; one sister, Sue White of Parkersburg, West Virginia; two nieces, Sandra Dean and Cindy Golden, both of Bridgeport, West Virginia; and six grandchildren.

She was also preceded by one sister, Betty Stout.

Services Held for Lorene L. Holland

Lorene Lightfoot Holland, 89, of DeLeon passed away on Monday, May 1, 2000 at the Comanche Community Hospital. Graveside services were Wednesday, May 3, 2000 at the Oak View Cemetery in Mullin, Texas with

Mrs. Holland was born on June 2, 1910 in DeLeon to the late Clyde Lightfoot and Pearl Terry Lightfoot. She married Johnny Holland on May 13, 1936. She was a homemaker and a member of the DeLeon First United Methodist Church. Mrs. Holland had resided at Western Hills Nursing Home in Comanche for nine years.

Survivors include 1 daughter, Gayla Nan Ethridge and her husband, Jimmy Ethridge of Democrat; two grandsons, Randy Ethridge and wife Melinda of Early and Bradley Ethridge and wife

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Resource Team Visit a Success

This past week was the visit from the Texas Rural Development Council's Resource Team. Over 80 citizens came and participated in the three day event. The team, consisting of five members of state and federal agencies, asked questions and listened to the answers in the 50 minute sessions. Answers were varied and ranged from wanting more to do for the young people to wanting to improve Bass Lake and restore it for the use for local families and visitors. Of course, needing a medical clinic of some sort was in the most important needs category. and the Economic Development Corp. continues to work to meet that need.

The listening sessions concluded with a Town Meeting Thursday evening with nearly 60 in attendance. Some of the things they summed up was that small towns don't "dry up and die," they commit suicide. They emphasized over and over that when a community faces change, they must rise to the occasion, band together and make the necessary changes to survive. And from the attendance and support we experienced, Gorman has what it takes and needs to make the necessary

Chloe of Brownwood; two greatgrandsons, Warren and Nolan Ethridge of Early; one brother, Charles Wayne Lightfoot of Granbury; several nieces and nephews.

She was also preceded by her husband, Johnny Holland August 31, 1966; by four brothers Ewell, Ausburn, Doyle and Roy Eugene Lightfoot and two sisters, Opal Tate and Madge Dry

Elbert E. Files Laid to Rest

Elbert Eugene Files, departed this earth April 25, 2000 to join his beloved wife, Bertie, with whom he shared 53 wonderful years. He was born September 28, 1906 in Gorman, Texas, the eldest son of Owen and Pearl Files. Elbert graduated from Gorman High School in 1925. The caption under his picture in his senior yearbook read "His quiet ways speak loudly of him." He graduated Draughon's School of Business in Abilene, Texas in 1927 and worded in the oil field supply business for 46 years. He married Bertie Bell Perry July 6, 1932 in Eastland, Texas and moved to Houston a short time later, going to work for Continental Emsco. He retired from Continental in 1967 and went to work a few months later at Wilson Supply in Houston. He retired a second time in 1973 and moved to his farm on Tarkington Prairie in Liberty County. He spent the next 25 years raising cattle, gardening and enjoying his grandchildren. He was a faithful member of the Rural Shade Baptist Church, Tarkington Prairie.

Preceded in death by his beloved wife, Bertie; daughter, Jo Ann Saulsey; granddaughter, Lynne Files; great grandson, Blake Ubias; and brothers, Clarence Files, Ira Files and Harvey

Files. He is survived by his sons, E.E. (Gene) Files, Jr. and wife Margaret of Tarkington Prairie, Kenneth Owen Files and wife Susie, and Donald James Files and wife Pat, all of Houston; sister, Edna Roney of Gorman; 12 grandchildren; 19 great grandchildren, and numerous nieces and nephews and a host of friends. "Our Elbert has been a member of the Baptist Church since his youth and was a thoroughly good man." He will be greatly missed.

Services were held on April 27, 2000 at the Rural Shade Baptist Church in Tarkington prairie with burial in the Ryan Cemetery, Tarkington Prairie.

TXOL Internet Classes

The monthly TXOL Internet classes will be held at the local office in Eastland on Thursday night, May 4th at

changes to not only survive, but grow! Many great ideas and suggestions were brought up, and enough enthusiasm and support to make them come to pass. They let us know that it will take unity and energy from each of us to make the changes. But now there is a plan-a direction for us to move, in slow and steady progression.

The Gorman EDC wants to thank everyone who participated for attending the listening sessions. It was a great week for the city of Gorman.

Thank You

Thank you to each of you who sent me birthday greetings. My birthday was truly memorable. Friends are life's true gift, and I am blessed. s/Floy M

6:30 pm. The address is 925 E. Main in Eastland. The class will be in the southwest entry seminar room and will be taught by Mark Gross.

There will not be a class in June, or July. If you have not been to our classes yet, please try to attend because it will help you tremendously in using the Internet and understanding how it

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The Kokomo-Simpson Homecoming and Cemetery Meeting will be held Saturday, May. 6. The business meeting will begin at 11:00 a.m. at the tabernacle at the Simpson Cemetery, weather permitting. Otherwise, it will be held at the Kokomo Community Center. Following the business meeting, there will be a covered dish lunch t the Community Center. Bring your vorite food and enjoy the fellowship as we eat together. The Association will furnish the plates, cups, napkins, plastic ware, coffee, tea and ice.

Rev. Dwayne Battenfield of Gorman was the speaker at the Kokomo Baptist Church on Sunday morning. The pastor, Bro. Clarence Wilson was ill. We send get well wishes to him, and hope that he is able to be back with us on Wednesday night. Daryl Hirst directed the music with Ruby Lee Kinser at the piano. Woodrow and Helen Browning and Glynda Bond were not present because they weren't felling well. We hope they are all feeling much better by now.

There was a time of special prayer for rain during the Sunday morning service at the church and God heard and answered those prayers with rain Sunday night. I received 1.3 inches and other reports were comparable. And thank the Lord that we didn't have a lot of stormy weather bringing tornadoes and damaging hail. The Jimmy Littles reported some small hail at their place. I hope that we all took time to thank and praise God for his goodness to us in sending the rain.

The Sunday night service at the Kokomo Baptist Church was dismissed so members could attend the 5th Sunday night singing at the First Baptist Church in Gorman.

Visiting with Randy, Deliah, Chris and Jon Lewis in Ennis during the Easter weekend were Delmon and Joyce Eaves of Kokomo, Margaret and Preston Eaves of Charlotte, NC, Bill, Paulette and D'Ann Black and a friend, Michael of Cleburne, Jo Ann and Sam Gordon of Eastland, Darren, Stacie, Blake and Morgan Lewis of Rockwall, Kay Lewis and J.L. Lewis of Ennis. All attended Jon's soccer game on Saturday morning and then went back to Randy and Deliah's for lunch and an Easter Egg hunt. A good time was reported by all.

Oren and Norma Webb and Stacy and Kaci Webb and Brandon Burk of Comanche attended the Regional Track Meet in Odessa on Friday. Jacob Webb of Comanche High School competed in the Pole Vault competition and placed 5th with a height of 14 feet. Congratulations to Jacob.

Jerry and Lavell Hallmark, Becky Ethington and children, LeeVi, Shane and Sheyanne and a friend Breanna of Sterling City visited during the weekend with Connie Hallmark in Eastland and with Jimmy and Verna Lee Little. They also attended some activities at Ranger College on Saturday. LeeVi will be attending Ranger College on a

sports scholarship to play baseball and football. Others visiting in the Jimmy Little home were Ray Neal and Emily Little of Eastland, James, Jill, Ashley and Breckley Little of Lake Leon, and Betty Little.

Those visiting with Hazel Snider were La Von Snider of Brownwood, Toby, Angie, Karina, Karle, Klarissa Snider of Fredericksburg, Dwayne Snider of Stephenville, Kay Snider and Dan Snider.

Visitors with Nancy Hendricks were Doris Bradshaw, Hope Joiner, Troy and John Scitern and Joyce

Nancy Hendricks attended the 80th birthday celebration honoring A.V. Seay in Gorman on Sunday. A belated "Happy Birthday" to A.V.

Glenda Priest of Abilene and Jimmy and Verna Little were visitors with Zelda Jordan.

Clifford Nelson returned home from Eastland Hospital on Thursday. Those visiting with him during the weekend were Jimmy and Maggie Nelson, Travis, Gladys, Alexis, Tiffany and Ethan Nelson and Teresa, Quinton and Samantha Findley all of Fort Worth, Cassie and David Brasher of Carbon, Jim, Ann and Justin Willey of Gorman, Cecil Self, Glenda Priest of Abilene, Zelda Jordan, and Jimmy and Verna Little.

Zelda Jordan visited with Naoma Morrow and Gladys Morrow on Fri-

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Easter Treasure Hunt a Success

A LARGE group of treasure seekers showed up on Saturday for the annual Easter Treasure Hunt, and no one went away empty handed. The only problem was the wind trying to blow everything away.

Mrs. Easter Bunny has asked me to thank all the wonderful people in the Gorman area for all the generous donations that were given. Without you, we would not have been able to have this treasure hunt. I would also like to thank that City employees for getting the park ready for the hunt, Chief and Mrs. Caffey for roping off the area and helping with the hunt, the Boy Scout Troop #38--Zachary Bryan, Thomas Hurd, and their Scout Leaders, Ray and Janet Sanders, Kathy Torres and Harvey Bryan for helping hid the treasures and help with the hunt, Heritage Manor, Bob's Grocery, and City Grocery, and Smith's Service Station for helping collect the donations and helping me pick out the treasures.

I would also like to thank Gene Foster for supplying Mrs. Bunny with several carnations to present to several area residents, "just because." Gene has done this for many years now and it never fails to put a smile on the faces of those who receive them.

There are a lot of people who left donations in our cans and we are unable to mention who you are, but if you would like to have your name mentioned, please let us know. I would like to mention those that I know who gave

and I would like to encourage all of you who participated in the hunt to go by and tell them 'thank you.' American State Bank, Becky's Day Care, Birdsong Peanuts, Bob's Grocery, Brenda's Grill, CMS Health Care, Kelly Majors, Gorman Chamber of Commerce, City Grocery, Clark Building Supply and Construction, Con-Spec Roofing, Country Cuts, Eastco Fuel, Seaton Farm Supply, Foster Floral, Frasier Auto, G&H Feeds, Gilmore Auto, Gold Medal, Gorman Chevron, City of Gorman, Gorman Housing Authority, Gorman Pharmacy and Video, Gorman Progress, Tommy Harrison, Heritage Manor, Higginbotham Funeral Home, J&C Floors and More, Jack Jackson Concrete, Miears Butane, The Peanut Hut, Lawrence Perez Small Engine Repair, Smith Drug and Sale, Smith's Service Station, DeLeon Clinic, The Hair Shoppe, To The Joy of Living, Torrez Lawn Service, Two Franks, The Gorman Peanut Festival, The Gorman Lions Club, Warren U Store, Underwood Farms, ZJ's, Dale Turner, Joe Brownlee, Marilyn Warren, Kevin Scitern, Bryce Campbell, Dianna Snider, Shirley and Bill Eaves, and Janet Sanders. I know I probably left someone out, if I did please let me

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I would also like to thank Joe Bennett for always publishing my announcements and articles for free-thanks Joe for your support.

Again, Thank You to each and everyone who helped me make this year's

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of his recipes from Donal and Larry Farrow.

Assisting with the Cogburns' at the Restaurant are their daughters, Ann and Melissa and Debra's mother, Louise Hutson.

They invite everyone to come for a visit.

Lady Cubs Volleyball

The Gorman Lady Cubs began their Spring volleyball season last week. The girls competed at home against Gustine and Santa Anna. The Lady Cubs finished the evening un-

hunt another success. See you next year, Mrs. Bunny and Ina Smith.

Did you know that during the Pagan times the egg represented the rebirth of the earth. With the advent of Christianity, the symbolism of the egg changed to represent the rebirth of man. Christians embraced the egg symbol and likened it to the tomb from which defeated with the following scores: Gorman over Santa Anna--15,7 and 15,12

Gorman over Gustine--15,12/15,17/

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The Lady Cubs traveled to Gustin last night, and came home with a victory. The Lady Cubs competed against Santa Anna, but fell behind Santa

Anna over Gorman 15,7 and 15,10.

Then the Lady Cubs won over Mullin

15,3 and 15,8.

Currently the Lady Cubs are 3 and 1 for the season.

They will travel to Santa Anna Monday for their final dual match. The games will begin at 5 p.m.

DESDEMONA NEWS

By Vonnie Guthery

know.

Community tion was the guest speaker last Sunday at the Desdemona First Baptist Church. A great thanks to American State Special music was presented by the Bank, the Gorman Chamber of Comadult choir with Karen Eaves as piamerce, Brenda's Grill and the Gorman nist. Bro. Darrell and June Dossey Senior Citizens for providing meals. (former pastor) of Gorman and Paula Thanks to City Grocery, Bob's Gro-King of Austin were visitors for the cery and Deli, Judy Warren, Terry morning service. The Howard family Treadway, Becky Caffey, and of Gorman were visitors for the Wynogene Smith for providing reevening service. Everyone enjoyed

waistlines would never recover! Sunday, May 7, will be "Youth We want to thank Donnie Rodgers, Day" at the First Baptist Church. Rob-Irene West and Troop 38 Boy Scouts ert Cummings will do the preaching; for their help with registration. And Lane Shirley at the piano, Camron thanks to Irene, Becky Smith, Francis Cummings at the organ, "Greeters" are Simpson, and Joy Rogers for being Michelle King, Ashton Cummings, such excellent hostesses during meals Brittany Shirley and Selina Walkers. and refreshments. "Ushers" are Dominic Perez, Christian Thanks to Gorman High School for Johnson, Ian Johnson and Chris the use of the van and to Brenda Boyd Johnson. Offertory song by Sarah and Gorman Housing Authority for use of Lewis. Special music will be presented the hospitality room in the Old Hotel. by Children's Choir. Followed by the The success of this past week was

tended. It could not have happened if church. Everyone is invited to attend. not for the generosity of the commu-Ruth (Moore) Brigham, 79, of nity to provide all the items necessary Abilene was buried on Tuesday, April for this visit. I was so proud to be a 25 in Greenwood Memorial Park. Survivors include one son, Richard Brigham of Abilene, one daughter, Paula Graham of California, two brothers, C.N. "Ted" Moore, Kenneth Moore, four sisters, Margarette Harrell, Mary Mitchamore, Maxine Clayton and Louise Hall and five grandchil-

noon meal at the Church Annex. Des-

serts will be made by the men of the

their singing and musical talents.

Preceded in death by her husband, Richard Eldred Brigham. She was born in Cisco and a former resident of Desdemona, where she graduated with the Class of 1939. Our sincere sympathy goes out to this family.

Charlotte (Joiner) Parker of DeLeon celebrated her 80th birthday on Saturday, April 22 with a family dinner. Those attending were Mike parker, Ronnie and Rebecca Parker of DeLeon, Burkl and Cristell (Joiner) Scott of Big Springs, Skeets and Vernell (Joiner) Miears of Coleman, Shelly and Jerry Keen and children, Cherokee and Earl from Lipan, Kasey and Tom Stone and Stephenville. The Joiner family are

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Bro. Dick Williams, Director of former residents of Desdemona where Missions of the Cisco Baptist Associa- Charlotte graduated with the Class of 1938, Vernell with the class of 1940, Evelyn with the Class of 1948, Cristell with the Class of 1948. Thanks to Vernell for this news.

> A.V. (Guthery) Seay of Gorman celebrated her 80th birthday last Sunday, April 30 at the Gorman Senior Citizens Center. The reception was hosted by her son and daughter-in-law, Thomas and Vicki Seay and her grandson, Tommy Seay, all of Gorman. Pug and Vonnie Guthery; Wayne and Karen Eaves and granddaughter, Lorin; Angela Garcia and children, Colin and Kaley, all of Desdemona; Frank and Ella (Guthery) Reeves; Glenda Garrett and daughter, Tiffany; Emma Lou (Browning) Isbell all of Irving; Joe Ben and Ann Koonce of Eastland; David and Martha Guthery; Jim and Karen Guthery; Deborah (Guthery) Jackson, all of Gorman were some of the relatives that attended, (I know this reporter has left out some names), and also a large group of friends and neighbors attended. The family appreciates all of the flowers, gifts, cards and the visit from each and everyone to make this a very "Happy Birthday" for our sister, A.V. Seay.

Debert and Fay Williams of Stephenville; Leo and Eloise Williams, Dorothy Roberts of Desdemona; Corinne Waldon of Clyde attended the 5th Saturday night musical in Carbon.

Marty Patty of Daphene, Alabama spent the past weekend with his mother, Marie Patty.

Visitors last week with Marie Patty were Dick and Pearleta Carothers of Denver City, Merle and Mozelle Ivy of Bonaham, John Ivy and Jean Russell of Many, Louisana.

Corinne (Buckley) Waldon of clyde spent the past weekend with her niece, Leo and Eloise Williams.

Dara Holland is recovering from her second eye surgery last Thursday.

Mildred Million had surgery last Monday at the Harris Methodist Hospital in Stephenville. She is the organist at the First Baptist Church.

Remember these in your prayers, children, Polly, Shelby and Michale of also all those in the rest homes from

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CARBON NEWS

By MICHELLE THACKERSON

Carbon Community Baptist Church will be having a revival Sunday, May 21st-24th. Lyndon Longoria, Louisiana Baptist Evangelist will be speaking. Mike and Karon Anderson will be singing Monday May 22nd-Wednesday May 24th. Please Try to come and recieve a blessing.

"For the sake of thy name, O Lord,

revive me" Psalms 143:10 Carbon Community Baptist Church will be having Vacation Bible School June 5th-9th from 6:00 to 8:30 pm. We invite all children ages 4 through completed grade 6th to join us on The Fantastic Good News Odyssey. Every day will include an exciting Worship Rally in the Worship Rally Submarine. The kids will scuba dive through adventure

filled Bible stories, create ocean crafts, experience extraordinary Ocean Odyssey Music, taste delicious snacks, and dive into creative recreation. We are happy to offer this "once-in-a-lifetime" opportunity to every child in our community. Our focus will be "Diving into the Depths of God's Faithfulness." We will be running our church van in our community. For more information call Michelle at 639-2244 or Martha at 639-

Kristy Carlton is having a Birthday Monday, May 8th. Happy Birthday

Thank the Lord for the wonderful rain we recieved Sunday night.

Have a good week and God Bless.

Gorman Exes 5th Annual Golf Tournament

The Gorman Exes 5th Annual Golf Tournament will be held at the Par Country Club on June 3. Sign in is from 8:00 a.m. to 8:30 a.m. Tee off is at 9:00 a.m. Any questions call: Andy--254/445-3108, Larry--254/734-3374, Jack--254/734-2675, Chuck--254/734-2668, or Bimbo--254/734-2193.

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By Nancy Hendricks

You should have been here on Friday, 4-21 for the Easter events at the Nursing Home. I spent most of my day hiding Easter eggs around the Nursing Home. You should have watched the residents follow me around. The rest of the staff had the same problem. We sure kept them busy. Then at 2:00 we had our annual visit from the Easter Bunny. The Easter Bunny is really a hoot! We had cookies and punch and passed out prizes. It was great for all. If you want to have fun check the calendar out at the Nursing Home. See ya!

/s/ Jeff

On Sunday morning, Brent Lasater of First Baptist Church taught the Sunday School lesson for Inez Rogers, Iola Johnson, A.V. Seay, Velma Bennett, Cynthia Earles, Modess Self, Veno Hale and Mae Eison.

Visiting A.V. Seay and Myrtle Hale were Vicki Seay, Gerald and Betty Hale of Brownwood, Argie and Margie Hale of DeLeon, Zena Simpson, Eunice Love, Ennis and Nina Joiner, Fay and Denzel Ables, Howard and Pat Hagood.

Sunday afternoon Bro. Paul Denton of Church of Christ came. Residents were Muriel Prewitt, A.V. Seay, Modess Self, Veno Hale, Inez Rogers, Velma Bennett, Cynthia Earles, and Mae Eison.

Visiting Inez Rogers and Ora Mae Atchison were Chesley Atchison, Lugene Morris of DeLeon, Buddy Rogers of Ranger, Fred Rogers, Knapp of Muller, Irene West, Dixie Ryon and Violet Watson of Desdemona, Fay and Denzel Ables, Howard and Pat Hagood.

Johnnie and Pattie Waters of Amarillo, Bro. Paul Denton, Durwood Webb, Eunice Love, Zena Simpson, Denzel and Fay Ables.

Smith had bingo for Ollie Halcomb, Veno Hale, Hallie Clark, Pattie Whitehorn, Cynthia Earles, Velma Bennett, Modess Self, Mildred Bellows, Inez Rogers, Frankie Jarrett, Zadie Terry, Iola Johnson and A.V. Seay.

Visiting Mary Williams were Ina Reynolds of Carbon, Maxine Frasier of has moved to Mulberry Manor in DeLeon, Howard and Pat Hagood, Irene West, Bro. Paul Denton, Durwood Webb, Eunice Love, Zena Simpson, Audrey Pond,

Easter Party

On Friday, Mrs. Easter Bunny came and had a big Easter Egg Hunt for all residents able to participate. There scenes for the May holiday tree were were many, many eggs and everyone had so much fun. Mrs. Bunny served cookies and punch to Myrtle Hale, Frankie Jarrett, Modess Self, S.D. Gilmore, Cynthia Earles, Muriel Prewitt, Inez Rogers, A.V. Seay, Mildred Bellows, Hallie Clark, Jack Bellows, Ava Rodgers, Mae Eison, Mary Williams and Velma Bennett.

Visiting Bea O'Neal were Glenn Glasson, Eunice Love, Zena Simpson, Fay and Denzel Ables, Howard and Pat Hagood.

On Friday morning, Ina Smith had bingo for Myrtle Hale, Modess Self, Veno Hale, Cynthia Earles, Mildred Bellows, Inez Rogers, Frankie Jarrett, A.V. Seay, Iola Johnson, Dorothy Beaty, Ollie Halcomb, S.D. Gilmore, Hale. and Ora Mae Atchison.

Visiting Cynthia Earles and Modess Self were Robert Ervin, V.O. Huff, Mayvis Lasater, Lou Evelyn Rodgers of Midlothian, Denzel and Fay Ables, Zena Simpson, Eunice Love, Howard drey Pond. and Pat Hagood.

Those visiting Jack and Mildred Bellows were Howard and Pat Hagood, Zena Simpson, Eunice Love, Darrell and Pat Graham.

new permanent. dom were Willey and Marjorie McCollum of El Paso, Leo and Eloise Williams, Bob and Merlene Wisdom of Desdemona, Ken and Pat Kincannon of Hico, Inez Rogers, Howard and Pat Hagood, Zena Simpson, Eunice Love, Joan Fraley, Stacey Fraley, Zena Sim-Denzel and Fay Ables.

Visiting Zadie Terry were Nancy and Glen Lawless of DeLeon, Terry Ann Lawless of San Antonio, Zena Simpson, Howard and Pat Hagood and Audrey Pond.

Visiting Mae Eison were Lee and Diane Harrison and Leo Harrison of Granbury, Irene West, Zena Simpson, Eunice Love, Howard and Pat Hagood.

On Monday afternoon, those coming for the Sing-A-Long were Ernestine Campbell, Ethel Weaver, Alpha Mae Andry, Anna Rush, Ruth Bryant, Daisy Slaton, Nina Joiner and Nancy Hendricks. Residents were Myrtle Hale, Jack and Mildred Bellows, A.V. Seay, Ollie Halcomb, Iola Johnson, Frankie Jarrett, Inez Rogers, Modess Self, Cynthia Earles, Mae Eison, Veno Hale.

Some guest visiting Patti Whitehorn and Frankie Jarrett were Rev. T.D.

Whitehorn, Mary Estes, Sylvia Estes and Ina Reynolds of Carbon, Trevo Robertson of Gainsville, Kay Watson, Bill Johnson, Clifton Jarrett, Zena Simpson, Eunice Love, Howard and Pat Hagood, Fay and Denzel Ables.

Visiting Ava Rodgers were Ima Brown, Faye Tucker, Jana Grice, Howard and Pat Hagood, Rev. Clarence Wilson of Stephenville, Zena Simpson, Eunice Love, Lou Evelyn Rodgers of Midlothian, Mayvis Lasater.

On Tuesday morning, Betty Duke of Desdemona came played the electric organ and led singing for Veno Hale, Ollie Halcomb, A.V. Seay, Inez Rogers, Ola Walker, Myrtle Hale, Frankie Jarrett, Modess Self, Mildred Bellows, ora Mae Atchison and Velma Bennett.

Ina Smith's granddaughters, Audrey Johnston and Emily Auvenshine, Jaime Johnston and Kensey Johnston made a guest appearance and visited many residents.

Visiting Stella Reynolds were Stella Fay Scott, LeRoyce and Mackie Brantley, Audrey Pond, Zena Simpson, Eunice Love, Howard and Pat Graham, Fay and Denzel Ables.

Tuesday afternoon was 'baseball' time. The Yellows were Ina Smith, A.V. Seay and Inez Rogers. The Reds were Modess Self, Cynthia Earles and Velma Bennett. The Reds won.

Visiting Velma Bennett and Ola Walker were Icy Munn, Dixie Ryon and Violet Watson of Desdemona, Eunice Love, Zena Simpson, Howard and Pat Hagood, Fay and Denzel

On Wednesday morning, Ennis Some of Muriel Prewitt guests were Joiner of First Baptist Church brought chapel for Hallie Clark, Veno Hale, A.V. Seay, Ora Mae Atchison, Inez Rogers, Ava Rodgers, Mae Eison, Iola Johnson, Nina Joiner--guest, Frankie On Monday, pat Graham and Ina Jarrett, Ollie Halcomb, and Velma

> Visiting Veno Hale and Iola Johnson were Eunice Love, Zena Simpson, Audrey Pond, Pat and Howard Hagood, Ina Reynolds of Carbon, Denzel and Fay Ables.

> Reports are that Mr. Dick Troutman Stephenville. We hope he enjoys his

> Visiting Addie Grumbles and Voleta Richardson were Howard and Pat Hagood, Jo Etheredge, Zena Simpson and Eunice Love.

On Wednesday those painting A.V. Seay, Velma Bennett, Inez Rogers, Patti Whitehorn, Frankie Jarrett.

Visiting Buddy Winn were Harvey Winn of Carbon, Howard and Pat Hagood, Eunice Love, Zena Simpson.

Some of Ed Johnson's guests were Fay Johnson, Mayvis Lasater, A.V. Seay, Fay and Denzel Ables, Zena Simpson and Eunice Love.

Visiting Irene Heathington were Dave and Laneta Freeman, Betty Sue and Ken Heathington, Howard and Pat Hagood, Eunice Love and Zena Simpson.

On Thursday morning, Ina Smith had "Word Game" for Mildred Bellows, Inez Rogers, Veno Hale, Cynthia Earles, A.V. Seay, Frankie Jarrett, Modess Self, Hallie Clark and Myrtle

Some of Dorothy Beaty and Ollie Halcomb guests were Juanita Spence of Little Elm, Jonell Torrez, David Halcomb, Howard and Pat Hagood, Zena Simpson, Eunice Love and Au-

Ina Smith had "Hidden Treasure Hunt" for Jack and Mildred Bellows, Mary Williams, Inez Rogers, Patti Whitehorn, Ollie Halcomb, Velma Bennett, Frankie Jarrett, Hallie Clark, Karen Guthery gave Myrtle Hale a A.V. Seay, Iola Johnson, Modess Self.

Visiting Vadis Phelps were Elnora Visiting Stella Files and Hazel Wis- Lindley of Desdemona, Faye Tucker of Carbon, Birdie Hogan of Ft. Worth, Zena Simpson, Eunice Love, Mayvis Lasater, Howard and Pat Hagood, Audrey Pond, Fay and Denzel Ables.

> Recent visitors of Hallie Clark were pson, Eunice Love, Fay and Denzel





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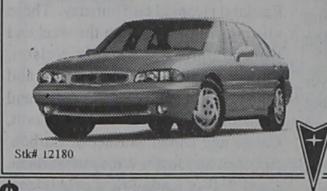
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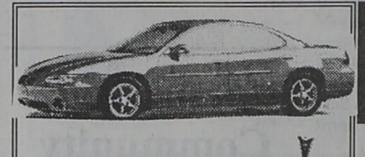
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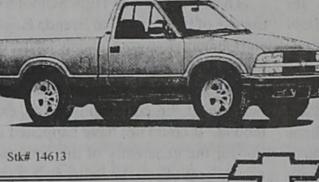
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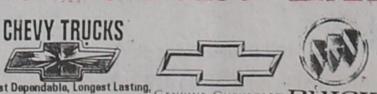
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