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Peanut Producer Tour To Showcase hesearch Projects In Central Texas

Central Texas peanut producers have not had much to brag about in the last few years. Since 1996 peanut yield in this area have not been good and yet producers still seem to hang in there. Even though times are tough because of weather there have been great advances in disease prevention, variety improvement, cultural practices and nematode resistance. Many of these advances will be highlight of the Cross Timbers Peanut Producer Tour to be held Wednesday, September 13th. Plans are to meet at the Comanche Community Center in Comanche for registration at 8:00 a.m. and leave by 8:30 a.m. for the tour. The Peanut Producer Tour includes two hours of continuing education credit, one hour of IPM and one hour of general. A sponsored noon meal will be served. To preregister please contact the Texas Agricultural Extension Service office in Comanche at 915/356-2539.

Individuals with disabilities who require an auxiliary aid, service or accommodation in order to participate in this program are encouraged to contact the Texas Agricultural Extension Service in Comanche County at 915-356-2539 to determine how reasonable accommodations can be made.

The first stop on the Peanut Producer Tour will be of the nematode resistant variety trials conducted by Dr. Simpson of the George Bingham farm. This test will give producers a chance to see the progress made on improving nematode resistance in an area that has high nematode populations. This type of research has great promise for Cross Timbers producers.

The second stop will be at the Steve and Jerry McGinnis farm where producers will get a chance to see the latest in peanut varieties. Dr. Robert Lemon will discuss progress in variety improvements and which varieties hold promise for this area. Another part of the discussion will be about germination problems that may be variety specific.

The third stop will be on the Stewart Farm that is farmed by Larry Don Womack. Producers will see a seeding rate study of twin row peanuts and if there is a long-term weed control study will be evaluated.

The Ranch Rodeo sponsored by Gorman Livestock Raisers Association is slated for Saturday, September 9th beginning at 7:00 p.m.

Events include Team Penning, Mugging, Branding, Pasture Roping and Wild Cow Milking.

The entry fee is \$250 per Team with a 5 man team. Call 254-647-1033 to Enter.

Concessions Available. Admission is \$5.00 for Adults and \$3.00 for Children. Kids under 3 free.

Lady Panthers Volleyball

In a return match with Gustine, the Lady Panthers disposed of the Lady Tigers in two straight games. The first game score was 15 to 7. In the second game the Lady Panthers had to overcome a 7 to 1 deficit. The Lady Panthers showed great heart, character, and determination in this game. Each Lady Panther did an outstanding job to pull out the victory. The girls record is 3 wins and 1 loss for the sason thus for.

The JV Lady Panthers performed on a high level by winning one of three games

Ranch Rodeo Panthers Open Season September 9 Friday At Tolar

The Gorman Panthers of 2000 will open their season on Friday night when they travel to Tolar to take on the Rattlers. The Panthers were edged by the Rattlers last season in the deciding game for the winner of their district by a 28 to 20 score.

The Big Red have been working hard this pre-season in preparation for the upcoming year and have shown some good desire and determination in their two pre-season scrimmage games. The Panthers will be without some fine athletes from last season with several All-District players and couple of All-State nominees.

Returning lettermen for the Panthers will be Seniors - Josh Longoria at Quarterback and defensive back; David Seaton at Running back and Secondary; Josh Johnson at Lineman on both defense and offense; Mike Torres at offsensive Lineman and Linebacker; Jackson Cooper at offensive and defensive lineman; Joseph Duvall at offensive lineman and defensive end and T. J. Jay at Receiver and Secondary. Juniors returning are Michael Lynch at Receiver and Secondary; Randall delaTorre at Offensive and Defensive lineman. Sophomore returning is Brian Hunt at Offensive and Defensive Lineman.

The Panthers lost five starting seniors by graduation from last years team.

Newcomers to the roster are Ben Longoria, Keith Treadway, Rolly Torres, Cole Dame, Billy Grissom, Jacob McCullough, Robert Granado, Bobby Cox, Jeremy Wright, Ryan Hagood, Miguel Cruz and Chris Dodd.

With determination and outstanding work that the Panthers have shown so for this season, we look for another good season from the Big Red. The entire gang has been working hard for the Coaches and Trainers and are ready for the season opener.

Follow the Panthers to Tolar on Friday night and show them we are behind them all the way.

Ronnie Robinson

chairman of several key

Comanche ED, headquar-

8,200 member/consumers

in the counties of Co-

oversight committees.

Go Get 'Em Big Red!!!

Ronnie Robinson Elected To TEC Board of Directors

Ronnie Robinson, General Manager of Comanche Electric Cooperative, has been elected to the Board of Directors of Texas Electric Cooperatives, Inc. (TEC), a statewide service organization for Texas '79 electric cooperatives. The election was held August 9th at TEC's



The Gorman School Annual Homecoming has been set for September 30th.

The final stop will be back in De Leon for a sponsor update and a sponsored lunch. Tour sponsors include UAP Southwest, First National Bank, Farmers and Merchants Bank, Comanche Electric Cooperative, Ag Texas Farm Credit Services, Comanche National Bank, Gores AgriService Center, Sure Grow Ag Producers and De Leon Irrigation Supply.

The Civic Club needs a new name. We need your help in aming our organization and giving us a logo. This contest is open to everyone. The winner will receive \$25.00 in Gorman Bucks. Please have your entry submitted by September 6th. You may leave it are City Grocery or mail to:

M.A.R.C.O.

P. O. Box 33

Gorman, TX 76454 Please put Civic Club on the envelope. Winner to be an-

nounced during the Peanut Festival.

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, Miscellaneous.

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

To be judged, you must be at the Texas Cooperative Inspection Service parking lot no later than 9:20 a.m. Everyone will receive an award. For more info contact Amy at 734-3503 or 2720 or Brenda at 758-2253 after 5:00 p.m.

Hope to see your there!

Senior Class of 1950

The Senior Class of 1950 of Gorman High School will hold their 50 year Class Reunion and Homecoming on Saturday, September 30th. Spread the word to your classmates where ver they may be located. Call or write Roy Rawls, 10189 Crown Colony Drive - #20, Austin, Tx 78747 or Call 512-291-0087.

from the Gustine Lady Tigers. The Lady Panthers will be playing in the Dublin Tournament on Thursday at 5:00 p.m. It will also be held on Saturday, Sept. 2nd. Please feel free to come out and support the Lady Panthers.

Coach Jerry Brock

Coaches Needed For Gorman Soccer Teams

Coaches are need for Gorman Soccer Teams consisting of Girls and Boys, Ages 4 to 12.

If interested in Coaching an Gorman Soccer Team to be in the Comanche Soccer League, Contact Becky Swanner at 254-734-2480 after 4:00 p.m.

Drawing Slated

The Peanut Festival Committee and the Peanut Queen Contestants are selling chances on two \$50.00 Gorman Bucks. Drawing will be during the Dance at the Annual Peanut Festival, September 9th.

Chances are \$1.00 each or 6 for \$5.00. You Do Not Have To Be

Present To Win

60th Annual Membership Meeting in Dallas.

"I'm honored to join the Board that will help guide co-ops into the new economy," Robinson said, "The cooperative model is a good one for this technological age. By pooling our minds and aggregating our resources, we can continue to provide our members/ consumers with the superior service that they deserve." Robinson went to work for

Comanche Electric Cooperative in 1977 and became general manager in 1993. A native of De Leon, he attended De Leon High School and received a BBA from Tarleton State University in 1976.

Robinson is a director of the Brazos and San Miguel Electric Co-ops. He has served as president of the Comanche Chamber of Commerce and Comanche Youth Council. He is past master of Hope Masonic Lodge 481 and is a member of the Comanche Noon Lions Club. Robinson is also active in the First Baptist Church of Comanche.

Robinson is very active in Texas Electric Cooperatives, having served as director or

The best thing about this year's Homecoming is the Saturday night football game.

It has been many years since the school has had a Homecoming Football game on Saturday night. This has always been the highlight of Homecoming events.

The Gorman Panthers will play the Throckmorton Greyhounds.

tered in Comanche, serves land, Stephens, Shackleford and Callahan counties.

Robinson and his wife manche, Mills, Brown, East- Debbie have two children.



We Welcome With Love Jeffery's New Baby Sister Dianna Kay Born on August 17, 2000 Weighing 8 Pounds and 4 Ounces and Measuring 21 Inches Long Parents are Craig and Amanda Rainey

MAKE PLANS TO ATTEND THE PEANUT FESTIVAL ON SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 9TH TO ENJOY A PARADE -- PEANUT COOKOFF AND DANCE

ITEMS OF INTEREST TO AREA FOLKS The Gorman Peanut Festival has set the date of September 9th for the 2000-2001

Peanut Queen Coronation. Contestants must have their entries no later than September 1. For a list of qualifications and an application back call Tiffany Childers at 639-2728.

FOOD PANTRY Second Thursday of Each Month

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

Gorman Masonic Lodge No. 716 A.F. & A.M. Regular stated meetings are 2nd Tuesday of each month at 7:30 p.m. Members are urged to attend. Visitors are always welcome. Roy Lipson, Worshipful Master - Pat Moseley, Secretary.

Athletic Boosters to meet Every Saturday Morning starting September 2nd at Gorman School Cafeteria at 8:30 a.m. to view the film from the game. Come and support the Panthers and join the Boosters for some Coffee and Donuts.

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

SANDRA CAGLE WILL BE IN GORMAN THE THIRD WEDNESDAY OF EACH MONTH AT THE CITY OFFICE TO **RENEW AUTO LICENSE PLATES.** HER NEXT VISIT WILL BE SEPTEMBER 20TH FROM 9 - 12 NOON.

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Obituaries

Edna Richardson Laid to Rest

Edna V. "Leta" Richardson, 84, passed away Monday, August 28, 2000 at Heritage Manor in Gorman. Memorial services were Wednesday, August 30 at the First Baptist Church in Gorman with Freeman Burns officiating.

Mrs. Richardson was born June 24, 1916 in Rotan to Lawrence Blount and Alma (Morton) Blount. She first married Bill Bacot in Rotan. He preceded her in death. In April 1974, she married Homer Richardson in Gorman and he preceded her in death in 1981. She was a housewife and a member of the First Baptist Church

Survivors include two sisters, Dorothy Burns of Arlington and Jo Etheredge of Gorman. She was also preceded in death by her parents.

Services Held for Sara G. Widner

Sara Gayle Widner, 55, a homemaker, died Wednesday, August 23, 2000 at a Cleburne rehabilitation center. Services were August 26 at the South Side Church of Christ in Mineral Wells with burial at the Staggs Prairie Cemetery in Palo Pinto County.

Sara Gayle Widner was born December 23, 1944, in Gorman. She was a member of the Church of Christ.

Survivors include her husband, Lee Widner of Mineral Wells; son, Ronnie

Services Held for Floyd Morganstean

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Floyd Allan Morganstean, 37, of DeLeon passed away on Tuesday, August 22, 2000 in Vernal, Utah. Services were Friday, August 25, 2000 at the DeLeon First Baptist Church with Rev. Tom Satterwhite officiating. Burial was in the DeLeon Cemetery.

Mr. Morganstean was born on August 24, 1962 in Wheatland, Wyoming to Jack and Marjorie Morganstean. He married Cathy Sparger in Tarrant County on September 30, 1983. He was employed as a field technician for F.M.C. in Stephenville; member of the DeLeon First Baptist Church; served as RA leader at First Baptist, active in DeLeon Livestock Association; served on Peach and Melon Festival Committee, coached flag football, baseball and girls softball, loved and supported all family sports and livestock activities.

Survivors include his wife, Cathy Morganstean of DeLeon; daughter, Amanda Morganstean of DeLeon, son Jesse Morganstean of DeLeon; parents, Jack and Marjorie Morganstean of Southlake; brother Chris Morganstean of DeLeon; sisters, Felicia Burgess of South Lake and Charles Conn of South Lake.

Town 'n Country Quilt Guild Host Talk

Town 'n Country Quilt Guild will

Comanche Electric Cooperative Association Honor State Representatives

On Monday, August 21st, the Texas Rural Electric Coalition held an appreciation luncheon in San Angelo for State Representatives David Counts, Pete Gallego, Robert Junell, Tracy King and Bob Turner. Over 100 people attended the luncheon. The State Representatives were honored for their hard work and continued support for rural Texas and the rural Texas lifestyle.

An Appreciation Award was given to each State Representative by the electric cooperatives in their legislative district. In making the presentation, all the electric cooperatives noted their appreciation for the continued interest of these legislators in lower electric costs for their cooperative's members.

The Texas Rural Electric Coalition is composed of 16 Rural Electric Cooperatives. The Coalition, as a group, operates and maintains approximately 67,145 miles of line and 151,675 meters in rural Texas. Members of the Coalition are: Big Country Electric, Coleman County Electric, Comanche Electric, Concho Valley, Dewitt Electric, Gate City Electric, Greenbelt Electric, Karnes Electric, Lighthouse Electric, Medina Electric, North Plains Electric, Rio Grande Electric, Southwest Rural Electric, Southwest Texas Electric, Swisher Electric and Taylor Electric.

For more information contact Ronnie Robinson, Comanche Electric Cooperative, 1-800-915-2533

is encouraged to bring their quilt treasure for Show and Share. Judith is past president of Dallas Quilters Guild, and teaches English applique and redwork in Joshua and Dallas. Town 'n CounNelda Keith is recovering in a Fort Worth hospital and would enjoy a card from her friends and neighbors

Plaza Medical Center 900 8th Ave. Room #730 Fort Worth, Texas 76105

Goober Gourmet Cook-Off Rules

Notice to the good cooks in Gorman and surrounding areas:

The Peanut Cook-Off is near! We need your help in making this one a success. Simply....

1. Make or bake 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.

Wrap entry with clear wrap so the item can be seen through wrapper.
 Have your entries at the Senior Citizen building between the hours of 7:30 a.m. and 8:45 a.m. Saturday, September 9. 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



NEW CORN TANK — Above is shown the new corn being constructed at Gorman Milling Company in Gorman. The new tank is just another item making the milling company able to better handle their customers needs.

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The Senior Class of 2001 are selling Tickets for a Remington 870 Shotgun to be given away Sept. 8th. Tickets are \$2.00 each or 3 for \$5.00. Also orders for Megaphones and Yard Signs. Contact Julie at 254-734-3003 or 734-2257.

Widner of Marshall; stepson, James Widner of Palo Pinto Lake; stepdaughter, Becky Wright of Mineral Wells; mother, Purnia Faye Smith of Gorman; brothers, Jackie Grice of Gorman and Max Grice of Stephenville; sister, Sue Ross of Ranger; three grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews. host a talk on vintage quilts by Judith Patricelli on September 9 at First American Bank, 2207 W. Washington, Stephenville, TX. (Across the street from HEB). The meeting is from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. and open to all, no charge. Registration is at 12:30.

Judith's talk includes examples from her own collection and everyone



Dairy Queen of Ranger is taking applications for Store Manager. City pay, country living. Need friendly, customer service leader. Drug test required. Contact Tammy at 940-549-5041 ext. 602 or fax resume to 940-549-6106. 4-9-14-C

House for Sale: Nice 3BR, 3 bath, brick home on large lot in Gorman. \$75,000. Call 734-2086 6-8-31-C GENERAL DIRT WORK, Dump truck, sand rock, top soil. Call Jerry Solomon 254-893-2448 2-8FNC



Check 428 W. Roberts and call today for your appointment! 7 BR, 3 1/2 Baths, 2-Story Frame on large lot! Imagine the Possibilities! Lovely staircase, bay window upstairs, tall ceilings & much more! Reduced to \$34,900! Seller will consider Lease/Purchase or Trade for Land! 218 ACRES, m/l - FM Frontage; 8 ponds; 1 lake; corrals, good fences! Owner states good hunting! \$800 per A.

Please Call For Other Offerings!

 FREE: 2 black bobtail male cats.
 734-2575

 or 734-3388.
 1-8-31-C

Wanted: Labor hand, pipeline construction. Call 254/629-2244 2-9-7-C

For Sale: Black-eyed peas, picked and delivered. Lee & Amy Wood 734-2973 Call after 8:30 p.m. 1-8-31-C

Heritage Manor of Gorman PO Box 669 Gorman, Texas 76454 Ph: 254/734-2202 A proud part of the Pyramid HealthCare is currently accpting applications for the following positions: • L.V.N.s • Certified Nurse Assistant

Apply in person at 600 West Roosevelt.

ELDERLY HOUSING Available at Hotel Apartments. Contact Brenda at Housing Authority or Call 817-734-2400. 4-6-FNC. try Quilt Guild is a nonprofit group, open to all. Its purpose is to teach and preserve the heritage of the quilting folk art.

Karla Davis kdavis@txol.net

Aaron Grice Graduates from Basic Training

Air Force Airman Aaron J. Grice has graduated from basic military training at Lackland Air Force Base, San Antonio, Texas.

During the six weeks of training, the airman studied the Air Force mission, organization, and customs and received special training in human relations.

In addition, airmen who complete basic training earn credits toward an associate degree through the Community College of the Air Force.

Aaron is the son of Jackie and Jana Grice of Gorman. He is a 1998 graduate of Gorman High School.

For Sale: 5th Wheel hook-up with fender well brackets. \$300.00 254/734-2472 1-8-31-P

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BARBARA LOVE, Broker 317 E. Main St. 254-629-1725 EASTLAND, TX 76448 Committee. At some future date, we plan to publish a cookbook of entries. Your recipe with your name will be a part of this!

Thank you for all your help and interest in this part of our Festival and for making our Festival larger each year. If you have any questions regarding the Cook-Off contact Angela Buckley at 758-2660.

6th Annual Toy Drive and Dance Sept. 9

The Big Country Phoenix motorcycle Club are at it again! They will be sponsoring their 6th Annual Toy Drive and Dance benefitting the Texas Scotish Rite Hospital for Children.

This event will take place at the Ranger Chamber Barn, Ranger, Tx on Sept. 8 and 9th. The gate will open at 7 p.m. on Friday night. Admission will be \$10.00 per person or \$15.00 for a couple with a new unwrapper toy. Children 12 and under are free.

There will be live bands each night. Concession is available. There will be bike games, door prizes, raffles and kidde korral (only during poker run)

In the past 5 years, the Big Country Phoenix m/c has raised \$26,900 and 850 toys for the children at the hospital. Last year the moeny that was raised went toward a new hand development research.

If you would like more info call T. L. Spurlen at 254-629-8209 or Dennis Hazelwood at 254-629-8139.

Brenda's Grill Going Out of Business Sale & Gibbs Garage Sale Lots of collectibles, appliances, furniture, salad bar, stainless steel table, PAGES & CLAWS Professional Breed Grooming All Animals Must Have Proof Of Rabies Vaccinations 508 N. Johnson St. — De Leon, Tx Business Hours - Tues. thru Sat. - 8:00 to 5:00 For Appointments, Call: 254-893-5422

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GORMAN PANTHERS US. Tolar Rattlers

Friday, September 1 – 7:30 p.m. – Rattler Stadium

VARSITY

DATE OPPONENT

Sept. 1	Tolar	There	7:30
Sept. 8	Menard	Here	8:00
Sept. 15	Covington	There	7:30
Sept. 22	Perrin-Whitt	There	7:30
Sept. 29	**Throckmortom	Here	7:30
Oct. 6	Open		
Oct. 13*	Baird	Here	7:30
Oct. 20*	Cross Plains	Here	7:30
Oct. 27*	May	There	7:30
Nov. 3*	Santa Anna	Here	7:30
Nov. 10*	Rising Star	There	7:30
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Aug. 31	Tolar	Home	6:00
Sept. 7	Millsap	Home	6:00
Sept. 14	Early	Home	7:30
Sept. 21	Millsap	There	7:30
Sept. 28	Dublin	Here	5:00
Oct. 5	Throckmorton	Here	6:00
Oct. 12	Baird	There	7:30
Oct. 19	Cross Plains	There	7:30
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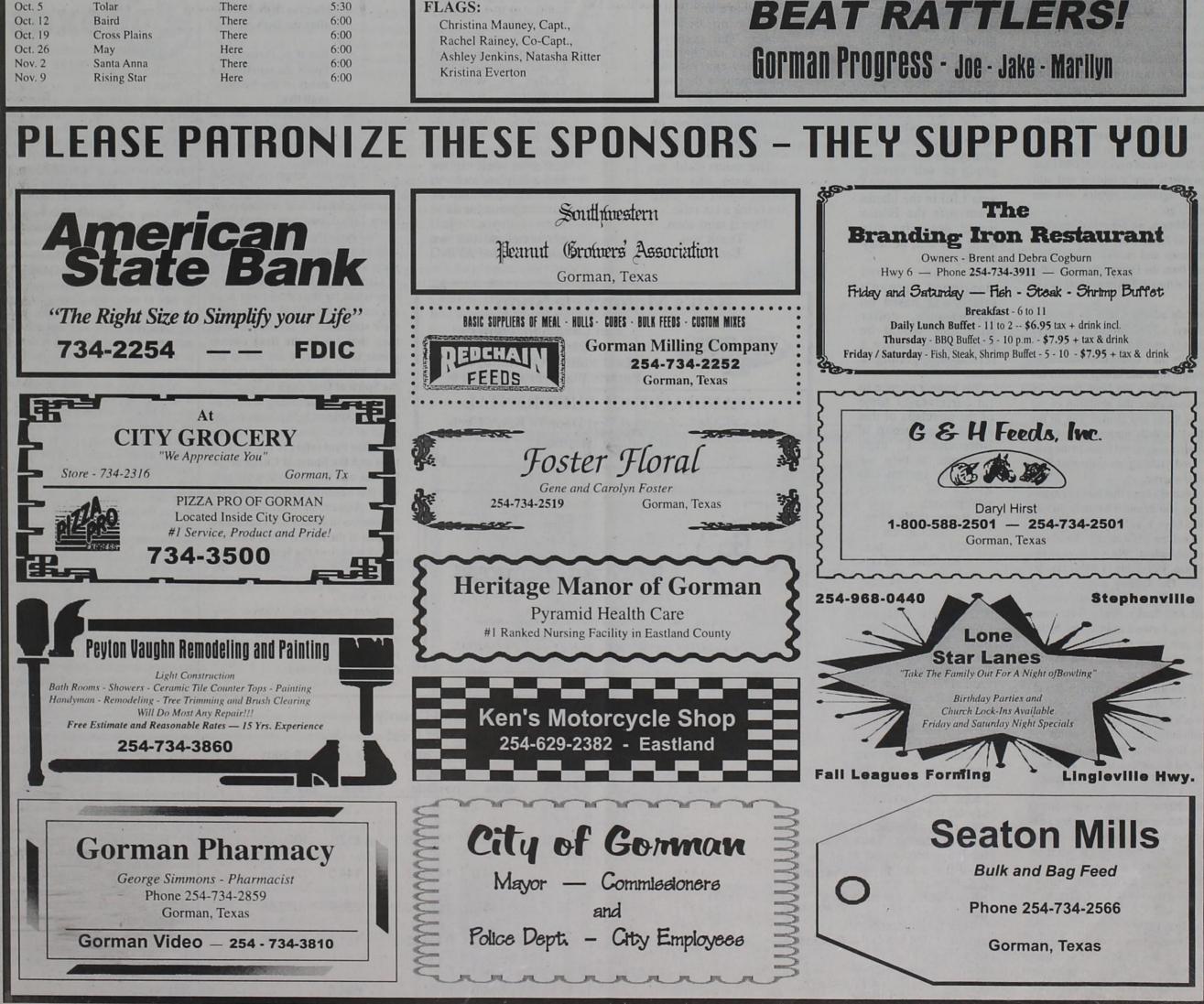
2000 GORMAN PANTHERS - Uarsity

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Ronny Wright
HEAD COACH:
Kyle Coker
ASST. COACHES:
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Tommy Wilson and Ronny Wright
SUPERINTENDENT:
Gene Shackelford
PRINCIPAL:
Crystal Snider
BAND DIRECTOR:
Lisa Laminack
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Desiree' Jefferson
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MASCOT:
Tana Goode
DRUM MAJOR:
Crystal Iberra
TWIRLERS:
Amanda Janecek - Head

Holly Abbe

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7	JOSH LONGORIA	165	QB-SEC	SR.
11	BEN LONGORIA	170 -	RB-LB	JR.
12	KEITH TREADWAY	150	REC-SEC	JR.
20	MICHAEL LYNCH	165	REC-SEC	JR.
24	DAVID SEATON	145	RB-SEC	SŔ.
32	ROLLY TORRES	140	RB-LB	SOP
40	JACOB McCULLOUGH	165	RB-LB	SOP
50	JOSH JOHNSON	215	OL-DL	SR.
51	MIKE TORRES	170	OL-LB	SR.
52	CORY STREIFF	170	OL-DE	JR.
54	ROBERT GRANADO	210	OL-LB	JR.
55	BILLY GRISSOM	175	ỌL-LB	JR.
60	BOBBY COX	1,75	OL-DE	SR.
61	RANDAL DE LA TORRE	260	OL-DL	JR.
66	JACKSON COOPER	210	OL-DE	SR.
72	JEREMY WRIGHT	250 -	OL-DL	JR.
74	JOSEPH DUVALL	175	OL-DL	SR.
75	COLE DAME	210	OL-DE	JR.
77	BRIAN HUNT	280	OL-DL	SOP
80	T. J. JAY	140	REC-SEC	SR.
82	RYAN HAGOOD	165	REC-DE	JR.
84	MIGUEL CRUZ	200	REC-DL	JR.
88	CHRIS DODD	215	REC-DE	JR.

GO PANTHERS!



State of the County 2000-2001

Eastland County's 2000-2001 Budget process is complete and I want to begin by giving my public thanks to each of your County elected officials for their efforts over the past year.

In addition, I want to acknowledge the contributions of Terry Langford, Eastland County Auditor, without whose help, we would not have achieved the vast strides accomplished over this past year.

Here are the nuts and bolts: On August 16, 2000, the Eastland County Commissioners Court passed the 2000-2001 budget in the amount of \$3,919,562. Estimated revenue is \$3,919,756.

The budget is balanced and we expect the effective tax rate to fall from its current 53 086 cents per \$100 valuation to approximately .52 cents per \$100 valuation.

Estimated fund balances (surplus) at the end of Fiscal year 1999-2000 is expected to be in excess of 1.3 million dollars.

This budget includes long overdue salary and wage increases for the department heads and employees of your county government.

In July 2000, the Texas Association of Counties released its salary survey for elected officials in the State of Texas. Of the 69 counties reporting in our population bracket, Eastland County elected officials average ranking is 60th of 69 in annual salary. Our Sheriff's salary currently ranks 66 of 69.

With the salary increases included in this budget, our elected officials remain in the bottom 1/3 of an average of 44th of 69.

In addition, our county employees receive a 5% cost of living adjustment, the first since 1997.

Perhaps the most important change

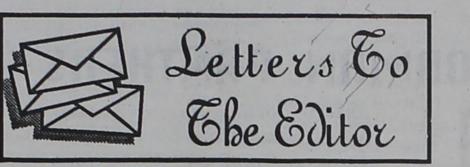
call. Sincerely, Brad Stephenson Eastland County Judge

Notice of Special Called Meeting

Notice is hereby given that Eastland County Commissioners' Court will meet in a special called meeting at 10:00 a.m. Friday, September 1, 2000, in the Eastland County Commissioners' Courtroom, Eastland, Texas, to consider the following agenda item: 1. Open bids for a Motor Grader for Precinct #3

Addendum 2. Consider and Discuss Determination of amount of Debt Service Surplus to Apply to 2000-2001 Obligations

Posted by order of Eastland County Commissioners' Court.



Dear Editor: I am to say the least, amazed at how Eastland County has recovered from its financial woes of a year ago.

At that time we had our "pie in the sky" plan to make money keeping other people's prisoners in the jail we did not get to vote on, but we still have the 15% tax increase, thanks to our Commissioners Court, and no income from the jail. Also since that time the Judge and Commissioners have raised hotel-motel the allowance from \$70.00 to \$90.00, the meal allowance from \$27.00 to \$30.00 per day for county employees who are required to be out of the county overnight.

To The Point

By Delwin Caudle Now let me get this straight, according to Ms. Viola Payne, whom I trust, in her accuracy of reporting the County is going to have _ a projected SURPLUS of a whole \$194.00, at the end of the next physical year. Of a budget of almost four million dollars we are going to have a SURPLUS of less than two hundred dollars.

It just doesn't seem possible, but it must be fact, that the County Judge and the County Auditor have both spent a lot of time with my ex-wife, as that is exactly how she thought when spending OPM (other people's

personnel is over \$4,300 and the rest of the county people get 5%. The judge said tax revenue was coming from higher prices on oil and on unexpected sources. We need to know if this is enough revenue to pay for the higher wages. This is county tax money they

money) mainly mine. Now I don't know that much about the other towns within the county, but in Rising Star, where I live, own a home, and pay taxes, sometimes, people don't pay their taxes, and if one or two people don't pay, then we are going to have no surplus- and, since it has been a bit over fifty days with no rain, there isn't going to be much if any of a peanut crop, cattlemen are selling their cattle, because of no grass and no waterjust pray tell me and a few other interested folks how is there going to be such a

I have an interest in an oil and gas well in the Flatwood Community, and I haven't received a check from them in so long, I think maybe they forgot where I live, and I sure as heck have not received any income from unexpected sources.

The judge goes on to say, and again I quote-"No increase in taxes is expected from the new budget, and the County Tax Appraiser will announce the new tax rate."

Articles taken from the Eastland Telegram

Comanche County Pay Raise Requests

Eastland County people have been told that the county pay scale here is low in comparison to other counties.

Perhaps Comanche County was not included in that survey. A recent Public Notice of a Budget Hearing (as published in the De Leon Free Press) lists

prisoners from other counties. Now, this of course is just my opinion, and opinions are like elbows, most everyone has one- or two.

Pause To Think

What other reasons declare that we must receive the Spirit of Christ into our hearts?

Romans 8:6-14 For to be carnally minded is death; but to be spiritually minded is life and peace. Because the carnal mind is enmity against God: for it is not subject to the law of God, neither indeed can be.

- 1. So then they that are in the flesh cannot please God. But ye are not in the flesh, but in the Spirit, if so be that the Spirit of God dwell in you.
- 2. Now if any man have

some salaries and proposed increases. The Public Hearing will be held on September 11, 2000.

The proposed budget for Comanche County provides the following increases:

Salaries:

County Judge - from \$22,511 to \$23,187 annually

County Clerk - from \$22,511 to \$23,187 annually

District Clerk - from \$22,511 to \$23,187 annually

Justice of the Peace from \$22,511 to \$23,187 annually.

County Treasurer from \$22,511 to \$23,187 annually

County Tax Assessor/Collector from \$22,511 to \$23,187 annually County Sheriff -

from \$26,780 to \$27,584 annually.

- County Attorney from \$23,636 to \$24,346 annually

Constable #1 - from \$18,571 to \$19,129 annually

Commissioners, Pct. #1,2,3, and 4 - from \$21,855 to \$23,187 annually.

After completion of the Public Budget Hearing, the Comanche C o u n t y Commissioners' Court will take action on the proposed budget and fix the tax rate to be levied.

The judge goes on to say, and I quote "due to the increase in the price of oil, and from unexpected sources." I have an interest in

in this years budget is that our County Law enforcement salaries were adjusted upward in an effort to retain and support our officers invaluable service tot he County. We have a way to go in this regard, however, this is a good step in the right direction.

Several people have questioned me about how this amazing turn around has been accomplished in such a short time. The answer is simple and I want to give credit where credit is due!

First and foremost, the good Lord has blessed us with good fortune overt he past year.

Our tax appraisal is up over 19 million dollars from last year. One half of this increase is due to increased Oil and Gas prices, the other half to new business in the County.

Secondly, I credit your elected County Officials with tightening their fiscal belts in the last half of 1998-99 and the 1999-2000 budget year.

In the last half of the 1998-99 fiscal year, the County restrained spending and ended the year with over \$300,000 surplus. In budget year 1999-2000 we cut over \$300,000 from the previous year's budget and still expect a significant surplus with one month to go.

In addition, we deposited approximately \$77,903 from tobacco settlement funds and recovered suspense money from the District Clerk due the County in the amount of approximately \$85,335.

Simple addition tells us that this represents a \$763,238 turn around in the past 18 months.

Finally the County has maintained a separate road and bridge surplus account which has not been statutorily authorized since the abolition of the County Road and Bridge Tax in the 1980's. As such, we have transferred previously segregated funds to the general fund yielding an estimated \$1.3 million reserve.

I sincerely hope that these facts encourage you as much has they do me!

We have a sufficient surplus to withstand the unforeseen! We have a balanced budget! We will have an approximately .1 cents (1.88%) tax deI guess their mileage allowance is the same.

I guess everything looks so rosy to our good Judge and his "yes men" we call County Commissioners that they decided to give themselves, a \$4,513.00 per year pay raise. Hey why not. After all its just tax money. To me this is a group of self serving s. I

won't fill in the blanks I am sure the Editor would not print this letter if I did, he may not anyway.

If the afore mentioned group's salary was based on performance, dollar wise they would be sending the county a refund not getting a raise.

We have a chance to rid ourselves of some of the members of this self serving group in November. I urge everyone to turn out and vote against this kind of county government. Respectfully yours Bill Carlton 709 S. Ammerman Eastland, Texas are paying out and as taxpayers we should have some say in the way the court is spending the money. If the county has got this much money to spend why don't they give the taxpayer a tax cut instead of spending it in one place.

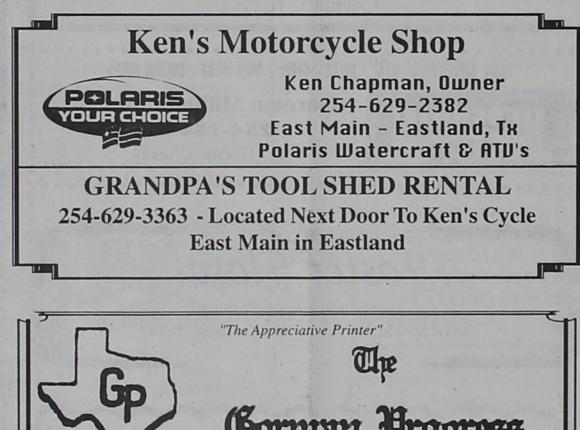
It seems the taxpayers don't have much say with this county court any more. They do things the way they want, and if we don't like it too bad.

We have an election coming up in November. The taxpayer can vote on that day and they can vote for some people that will work for the people and not for themselves. So come out and vote on that day if you want a change for the better. The court said no new taxes this year. Don't count on there not being a tax raise. Hope it rains soon. Thank you, Earl Trout

I sure hope when he does his announcing, the tax-rate is the same as the present one, as someone is telling another one if it isn't!

To a degree, I agree with June Hicks- I don't believe the Sheriff should be paid such a low salary- but I sure as heck don't believe that some other county officials should be making over fifty thousand per year when this county is so e c o n o m i c a ll y distressed.

I don't see how you can compare Eastland County's economy with Dallas, Ft. Worth or Houston- we are suffering, because of adverse weather conditions- and our retail business's will suffer as well. If we had a surplus, looks to me like it would be advantageous for us to hire more jail personnel, so that we could bring in PAYING



not the Spirit of Christ, he is none of his.

- 3. And if Christ be in you, the body is dead because of sin; but the Spirit is life because of
- righteousness. 4. But if the Spirit of him that raised up Jesus from the dead dwell in you, he that raised up Christ from the dead shall also quicken your mortal bodies by his Spirit that dwelleth in you.

Therefore, brethren, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live after the flesh. For if ye live after the flesh, ye shall die:

- 5. But if ye through the Spirit do mortify the deeds of the body, ye shall live.
- 6. For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, they are the sons of God.

The previous scriptures found in Romans 8, lists 6 reasons why we must have the Spirit of Christ residing in our hearts. Let's discuss them one at a time.

Paul is stating in this passage, that to be carnally minded is to die. He also states that the carnal mind is an enemy of God's. Then he stresses that it is impossible for the carnal mind to be subject to the law of God. He concludes these statements by saying, "So then they that are in the flesh cannot please God. But ye are not in the flesh, but in the Spirit, if so be that the Spirit of God dwell in you."

As we can see according to this passage, it is ultimately important that the Spirit of Christ dwell in us. *(Please note that Paul refers to the Spirit of God and the Spirit of Christ as being one and the same) It is the only way that we can overcome being in the flesh. Remember what Jesus told Nicodemus in John 3:6, "That which is born of the flesh is flesh; and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit." It is impossible to overcome the tendencies of the flesh without being born of the Spirit. WANTED: Honda Minitrails, wrecked out, not running, old motorcycles. Call for offer 254-629-2382 or 629-3363.



When is a peanut made out of corn? Who cares about osmosis and applesauce? And why does an egg yolk turn green when it's boiled? These are not million-dollar questions, but the answers can be found in a billion-dollar industry right here in Texas. It's about agriculture. And finding the answers is about education.

Teaching the world about the significance of agriculture is a Texas-sized task. But considering the burgeoning population of the world – and of Texas – it's certainly a task to be reckoned with.

Few people know that cornstarch can be used to make biodegradable packing peanuts, that osmosis is key when making homemade applesauce and that the green ring in hard-boiled eggs is caused by a chemical reaction between iron and sulfur.

All too often, agricultural knowledge is collected by reading a chapter in a science book or whizzing by row crops on a family vacation, rather than by hands-on experiences. Rarely does a child in an urban center have the opportunity to plant a flower, haul water or bale hay.

In fact, according to the U.S. Census Bureau, the Texas population in 1900 was classified as 82.9 percent rural and 17.1 percent urban. As of 1990, the Texas population was 19.7 percent rural and 80.3 percent urban. With this increased urbanization, fewer children live on farms and ranches or have contact with people who do.

crease! Our County employees and law enforcement are better compensated! And finally, our local economy is moving forward as indicated by the 4.5% gain in our tax base.

In the year to come, I am excited by the prospect of continued growth. The Commissioners Court has budgeted \$25,000 toward the establishment of a county wide economic development initiative. We hope that this will be the first step in the County's efforts to aid and augment each of our communities' efforts at Economic Development.

In addition, I believe the coming year holds great promise as we continue to explore opportunities to make your County government into a more effective and efficient service.

Having said all that and I believe you will agree, "IF IT WOULD ONLY RAIN, WE COULD ALL FEEL MUCH BETTER."

As always, I thank you for your support, input and prayers. If you have any questions or if we can be of service in anyway, please do not hesitate

Editor: It seems that our County Judge has been busy his first few months in office. His first job was going around telling how bad a shape the county was in. The county needs to raise taxes again and that was two tax raises in one year. The big one was on the jail that we didn't need, but the people didn't have any say on the jail. So we are paying a high tax on this jail forever. Then Precinct the judge tried to get a landfill that the people Precinct : didn't want, but the people won out on that Precinct deal. Now it is budget time and the judge has come Precinct up with high pay raises for the people in the Courthouse. The cost Totals for the courthouse

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More next week. Address comments or questions to: John Howard, Jr. <u>jthjr77@txol.net</u> PO Box 399 Gorman, Texas 76454

TDA is working to give all children an opportunity to see and experience the wonder of agriculture firsthand. By providing programs, research, workshops, urban school grants and internships, we've made agricultural literacy a top priority. We are in the process of granting nine urban schools \$2,500 each for agricultural projects. Also, I'm hosting a series of educational TV shows for kids with HEB's Televentures program. TDA's Project TEACH provides a curriculum for elementary school teachers. And at the 1999 State Fair of Texas, TDA sponsored an agricultural project contest for elementary students.

The focus is on educating people on the science behind agriculture and how it affects their everyday lives. The cotton in a T-shirt, the peanuts in peanut butter and the corn in laundry detergent are all products of agriculture. While agriculture is charged with feeding and clothing an exploding population, TDA today is educating children, nourishing their minds for an even better future.



Crystal and Lindey would like to wish their sister Katey a happy birthday September 1st. Katey will be 6 years old.

Crystal, Katey and Lindey Thackerson would like to wish their grandpa Jimmy Hampton a Happy 50th. Birthday on Sunday, September 3rd.

James and Charlene Thackerson celebrated their 40th anniversary Sunday, August 27th. They came to our house for lunch. After church we through them a surprise party.

Happy Birthday to Joy Whitson August 30th.

Pray for Rain, Have a good week and God Bless.

DESDEMONA NEWS **By Vonnie Guthery**

Robert Cummings was the guest speaker last Sunday at the First Baptist Church in Desdemona for the morning and evening services. Special music was presented by Camron Cummings. Song service was led by Pug Guthery with Karen Eaves at the piano. Doyle Welch was a visitor for the evening service.

Helen Collum, Annette Cummings and Ruth Daffron was in Leuders at the Big Country Baptist Assembly camp ground over the past week to attend the "Above Rubies Women's Retreat." Guest speaker was Mary Campbell from Tennessee. The reported a wonderful trip.

Marie Patty visited the past week in Red Springs and Olney. In Red Springs she attended a triple 50th anniversary celebration for three brothers.

Katie Pack, daughter of Lelan Pack of Lubbock, visited the past weekend with her grandmother, James and Dixie Ryon and her Aunt Vivian Menzel and family.

Charles and Sara Williams of Gran- your cards and prayers.

tin, Gary and Jody Walston, Pug and Vonnie Guthery, and his sister, Ashlee Hornback. Ashlee and Kennon attend Gorman School.

snake last Saturday at their back door in the flower beds.

Jim Craig of Deer Park, former resident of Desdemona where he attended school with the class of 1951, is recovering from recent colon surgery. The test came back as 'ok'. Get well wishes to Jim from all his friends in this area.

Bobby Gene Koonce of Stephenville is in the Fort Worth Hospital at this time recovering from recent heart bypass surgery. He is a former resident of Desdemona where he attended school. Our Get Well Wishes to

Remember it is school time again so watch out for all the children, buses, etc. Protect these kids who are our future generation.

Please remember all the sick, shut-

THE GORMAN PROGRESS

By Nancy Hendricks

A Note from the Administrator

We have completed another good

week at the nursing home. Our new

family room is now ready and we in-

vite each of you to come by and see

the changes that we are making. The

family room is available to all resi-

dents, family members, and visitors.

We are also in the process of starting

our own in-house library for our resi-

dents, volunteers, and the community.

Kenneth Good has donated 135 books

in an effort to help us establish this li-

brary and we are all very thankful to

him and his family. We also welcome

any donations of books or book shelves

as we are now setting the library up in

the facility. If you have a special tal-

ent in this area please let us know as

we always welcome volunteers here at

the nursing home. I would like to also

take this opportunity to thank the staff

and residents at Heritage Manor as well

as the community for our open house

this past Friday that was held to intro-

duce me and my family to the Gorman

community. My wife, daughter, and I

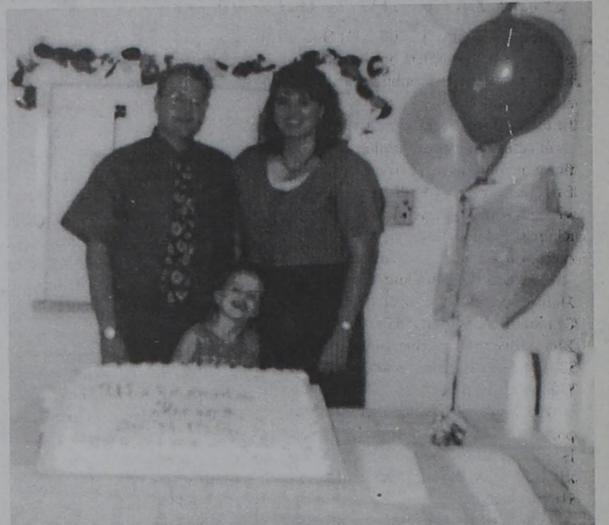
really appreciated this effort and all of

the kindness that your community has

shown us. Hope to see you at the nurs-

August 28, 2000

AUGUST 31, 2000



NEW ADMINISTRATOR - Brent Hagood is shown with his wife, Leann and their daughter, Madison at the Open House held August 25th at Heritage Manor of Gorman.

ing for singing were Ruby Lee Kinser, Daisy Slaton, Ethel Weaver, Marjorie Treadway, Nina Joiner, Pat Hagood, Alpha Mae Andry and Nancy Hendricks. Residents were A.V. Seay, Ava Rodgers, Inez Rogers, Zena Simpson, Modess Self, S.D. Gilmore, Clifton and Frankie Jarrett, Veno Hale, Cynthia Earles, Velma Bennett, Ollie Halcomb, Dorothy Beaty and Mildred Bellows.

Visiting Modess Self and Cynthia Earles were Irene Hallmark, Verl and Vicki Hallmark of Brownwood, Mayvis Lasater, Denzel and Fay Ables, Kenneth and Betty Sue Heathington, Christine Self, Laneta Freeman, Dixie Ryon and Violet Watson of Desdemona, Howard and Pat Hagood.

On Tuesday morning Betty Duke of Desdemona came played the electric Ables, Howard and Pat Hagood, Irene organ and led singing for Inez Rogers, Frankie Jarrett, A.V. Seay, Clifton Jarrett, Ava Rodgers, Zena Simpson,

On Monday afternoon, those com- Velma Bennett, Veno Hale, Mildred Bellows, Iola Johnson, Ora Mae Atchison, S.D. Gilmore, Ollie Halcomb, Modess Self, and Hazel Wisdom.

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Visiting Ava Rodgers were Ima Brown, Jana Grice, Fay Ables, Denzel Ables, Nancy Hendricks, Ruth Bryant, Mayvis Lasater, Eunice Love, Dixie Ryon and Violet Watson.

I scream, you scream, we all scream ice cream on a hot, August day)on Tuesday when Ina Smith helped residents make delicious ice cream. There were Dorothy Beaty, Ollie Halcomb, Sarah Rodgers, S.D. Gilmore, Clifton and Frankie Jarrett, Dean Pounds, Cynthia Earles, Iola Johnson, Inez Rogers, Modess Self, A.V. Seay, Patti Whitehorn, Hallie Clark, Muriel Prewitt and Zena Simpson.

Robert Brown killed a big rattle-

Bobby.

ins, and those in the rest homes with New address for Nelda Keith of Gorman who is recovering from severe staph infection with an artificial knee. She would enjoy a card from her friends and neighbors in this area. Her address is: Plaza Medical Center, 900 8th Ave., Ft. Worth, Tx. 76104 c/o Nelda Keith - Room 730 Have a nice day.

ing home!!! Sincerely,

s/Brent Hagood

Friday, August 18th at 2:00 was "Happy Birthday Party Time." Honorees were Hazel Wisdom and Mildred Bellows.

A fisherman came and entertained. There was plenty of laughter at all the fish, shark and things that one little pond had.

ing from the First United Methodist Church were Rev. Victor Pena, Howard and Pat Hagood, guests Pat Graham and Nancy Hendricks. Residents were Velma Bennett, Patti Whitehorn, Veno Hale, Cynthia Earles, Mildred Bellows, A.V. Seay, Inez Rogers, Clifton and Frankie Jarrett.

Guests visiting Iola Johnson and Veno Hale were Ruby Lee Norris and Ina Reynolds of Carbon, Dixie Ryon and Violet Watson of Desdemona, Howard and Pat Hagood, Fay Ables, Eunice Love, Denzel Ables, Daisy Slaton.

Some of S.D. Gilmore guests were Pat and Howard Hagood, Nina Joiner, Alpha Mae Andry, Denzel and Fay Ables, Daisy Slaton, Durwood Webb.

On Monday morning Ina Smith and Pat Graham had bingo for Veno Hale, Jack and Mildred Bellows, Inez Rogers, A.V. Seay, Cynthia Earles, Clifton and Frankie Jarrett, Ollie Halcomb, Velma Bennett, S.D. Gilmore, Hallie Clark and Patti Whitehorn.

Visiting Velma Bennett and Ola Walker were Icy Munn, Howard and Pat Hagood, Denzel Ables, Eunice Love, Fay Ables, Ruth Bryant, Nancy Hendricks.

Zena Simpson New Resident

Heritage Manor welcomes Zena Simpson, widow of Bill Simpson. She is a member of Gorman Church of Christ and retired saleslady. Her children are Billy Earl and Francis Simpson, Jackie Don and Becky Simpson, seven grandchildren and 5 great grandchildren, and a brother, Odie Brightwell of Gorman.

Visiting A.V. Seay were Daisy Slaton, Alpha Mae Andry, Nancy Hen-

bury, Evelyn Yardley of Stephenville, Dorothy Roberts, Leo and Eloise Williams was in The Colony last Saturday to attend the 50th wedding anniversary reception for Debert and Fay Williams of Stephenville.

Kennon Hornback celebrated his 11th birthday with a party hosted by his father, Lee Hornback and Sonja Martin. Birthday cake and ice cream was served to Karen Eaves, Lorin Eaves, Belinda Martin, Kandice Mar-

"Old Ripfest" Slated September 16

Big plans are underway at the Eastland Chamber of Commerce for the 2000 "Old Ripfest and Parade," September 16, 2000. New to the festival this year is the Texas Parks and Wildlife "Kid Fish Catch Tank." Children ages 16 and under can test their luck at trying to catch catfish from the giant fish tank stocked with over 300 lbs. of fish! Fishing gear will be furnished and kids may fish for Slaton. a nominal fee.

Other highlights this year include the always favorite, Texas' longest parade, the 5K Rip-Roaring Run, a Kid 1-mile Fun Run, entertainment on the square, fiddlers' contest, the "Horned Toad Derby," Bryan's Auto Antique Car Show, and the second annual "Old Rip Firefighter Challenge," just to mention a few. Booths will be set up all around the square, with everything from turkey legs and sausage on a stick, to sterling silver jewelry for sale. A giant blow-up slide, games, arts and crafts, and even cast horned toads will occupy the 100+ booths throughout the day.

Make plans now to attend the "Old Ripfest and Parade" in downtown Eastland, Texas. We are located on IH 20, 90 miles west of Fort Worth and 55 miles east of Abilene. Join us September 16, for a "Rip-Roaring" good time! For more information, call the Chamber of Commerce toll free at 1-877-20ldRip. entry forms may also be downloaded from the internet at www.eastland.net/ eastland/parade.htm.

Schedule of Events

EOE

8:00	5 K Rip-Roaring Run
	Kid 1 mile Fun Run
10:00	Parade
8:00-5:00	Old Ripfest Festival games, entertainment, food
11:00	Old Rip Firefighter Challenge
11:30	EHS Band
12:00	Nancy Seaberry Frost Arts Endowment Scholarship
12:30	Doc Tolers Medicine Show
1:00	Horned Toad Derby
1:30	Entertainment
2:00	Fiddler's Contest (Majestic Theatre)
2:30	Doc Tolers Medicine Show
3:00	TBA
4:00	TBA
5:00	Booths break down

The family of Hazel Wisdom furnished refreshments of cake and ice cream. The First Baptist Church and Heritage Manor gave gifts.

Those present were honoree Hazel Wisdom and her family, Bob and Merlene Wisdom, Pat Kincannon, Leo and Eloise Williams; honoree Mildred Bellows and her husband Jack and daughter, Pat Graham. Others present were Inez Rogers, Mary Williams, Ora Mae Atchison, Modess Self, Clifton and Frankie Jarrett, Cynthia Earles, A.V. Seay, Velma Bennett and S.D. Gilmore.

Visiting Ora Mae Atchison and Inez Rogers were Bobby and Cathy Yarberry of Dallas, Buddy Rogers of Ranger, Dixie Ryon and Violet Watson, Howard and Pat Hagood, Denzel and Fay Ables, Eunice Love, Daisy

Visiting Dean Pounds were Gladys Pounds, Roger Pounds, Howard and Pat Hagood.

On Sunday morning Kenneth Good of First Baptist Church taught the Sunday School lesson for Velma Bennett, Dorothy Beaty, Ollie Halcomb, Clifton and Frankie Jarrett, Ava Rodgers, Iola Johnson, A.V. Seay, Veno Hale, Cynthia Earles, Inez Rogers, Zena Simpson, Ollie Halcomb and Dean Pounds.

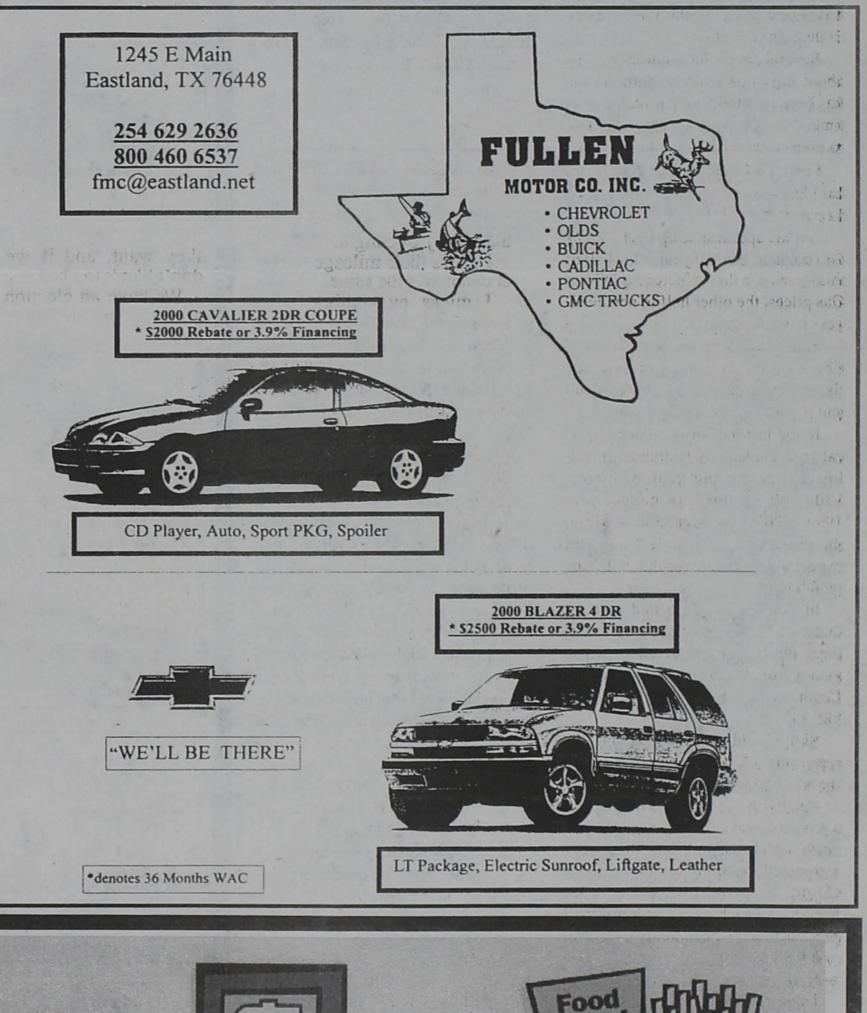
Some of Ollie Halcomb and Dorothy Beaty guests were Juanita Spence, Tricia Cardinal and Nicole Story of Little Elm, David and Denna Halcomb, Howard and Pat Hagood, Eunice Love, Fay and Denzel Ables.

Visiting Irene Heathington were Cassie Freeman of Brownwood, Ken and Betty Heathington, Dave and Laneta Freeman, Howard and Pat Hagood, Denzel and Fay Ables, Eunice Love. On Sunday at 2:30 p.m. those com-

dricks, Eunice Love, Denzel and Fay Hallmark, Verl and Vicki Hallmark of Brownwood.

Visiting Hallie Clark were Stacey Fraley, JoAnn Fraley, Mr. and Mrs.

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ORDINANCE NO. 2000-02

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF GORMAN, TEXAS, LEVY-ING TAXES FOR FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 2000 AND ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2001: PROVIDING DISCOUNTS FOR ADVANCE PAYMENT OF AD VALOREM TAXES; PROVID-ING PENALTY AND INTEREST FOR DELIQUENT TAXES; PRO-VIDING FOR THE COLLECTION OF DELINQUENT TAXES; AND DECLARING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

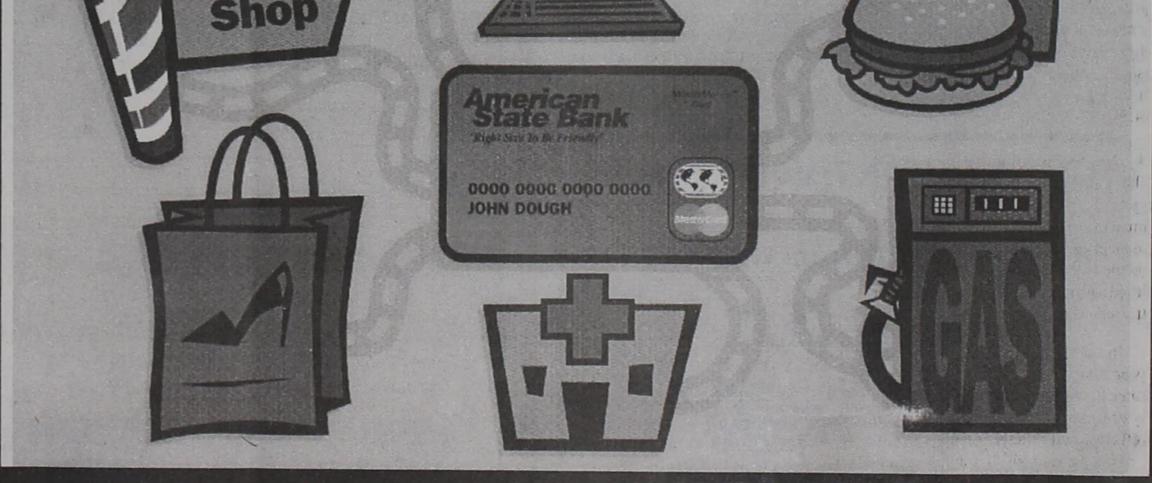
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Verl Hallmark, Irene Hallmark, Pat and Inez Rogers, Howard and Pat Hagood. Howard Hagood.

On Wednesday Ennis Joiner of First Baptist Church brought chapel for S.D. Gilmore, Veno Hale, Ollie Halcomb, Ava Rodgers, Modess Self, Inez Rogers, Dean Pounds, A.V. Seay and Iola Johnson.

Some of Clifton and Frankie Jarrett guests were Larry and Mary Roberts of Goldthwaite, Kay Watson and Bill Johnson, Mark Watson, Irene Hallmark, Mr. and Mrs. Verl Hallmark of Brownwood, Denzel and Fay Ables, Howard and Pat Hagood, Nancy Hendricks, Ruth Bryant, Mayvis Lasater and Eunice Love.

On Wednesday afternoon in Arts and Crafts were Inez Rogers, Iola Johnson, Veno Hale, and A.V. Seay.

Visiting Muriel Prewitt were Durwood Webb, Eunice Live, Mayvis Lasater, Denzel and Fay Ables, Howard and Pat Hagood.

Thursday morning Ina Smith had "Lets Make a Deal" for Cynthia Earles, Modess Self, Velma Bennett, Mildred Bellows, Inez Rogers, S.D. Gilmore, Veno Hale, A.V. Seay, Hallie Clark, Johnson and Ollie Halcomb.

Visiting Jack and Mildred Bellows were Darrell and Pat Graham, Denzel and Fay Ables, Eunice Love, Howard and Pat Hagood.

Ina Smith took residents on a trip down "Memory Lane" Thursday afternoon. They were Cynthia Earles, Modess Self, Ollie Halcomb, A.V. Seay, Inez Rogers, Clifton and Frankie Jarrett.

T.D. Whitehorn, Marie Cook, Ina Rey- Gilmore, Patti Whitehorn, Frankie Jarnolds, Mary Estes, Sylvia Estes of rett, Mary Williams, Mildred Bellows, Carbon, Howard and Pat Hagood, Nancy Hendricks, Ruth Bryant, Mayvis Lasater, Eunice Love, Fay and Denzel Ables.

On Friday Ina Smith and Pat Graham had bingo for Ollie Halcomb, Ava Rodgers, A.V. Seay, Patti Whitehorn, Hallie Clark, Cynthia Earles, Veno Hale, Velma Bennett, Iola Johnson, Modess Self, Jack and Mildred Bellows, Inez Rogers, S.D. Gilmore, Clifton and Frankie Jarrett.

Visiting Ed Johnson and Buddy Winn were Harvey Winn and Ruby Lee Norris of Carbon, Fay Johnson, Dale Johnson, Glenna Turner, Howard and Pat Hagood, Eunice Love, Denzel and Fay Ables, and Mayvis Lasater.

Some of Bea O'Neal's guests were Howard and Pat Hagood, Eunice Love, Denzel and Fay Ables, Mayvis Lasater.

Visiting Stella Reynolds were Opal Snider of DeLeon, J.R. and Adelene Mangrum of Pryor, OK, Fay Scott, Le Royce and Mackie Brantley, Josh and John Harris of McAllen, Eunice Love, Ruth Bryant, Nancy Hendricks, Fay Ables, Denzel Ables, Howard and Pat Hagood.

Residents sure appreciated the nice magazines Mrs. Juanita Files gave.

Visiting Mary Williams were Jua-Clifton and Frankie Jarrett, Iola nita Files, Alpha Mae Andry, Ima Brown, Maxine Frasier, Ruth Bryant, Nancy Hendricks, Fay Johnson, Howard and Pat Hagood, Denzel Ables, Fay Ables, Eunice Love.

Some of Voleta Richardson guests were Jo Etheredge, Denzel and Fay Ables, Eunice Love, Howard and Pat Hagood, Mayvis Lasater.

On Friday afternoon, August 25 was open house at Heritage Manor. Those participating were Cynthia Visiting Patti Whitehorn were Rev. Earles, Inez Rogers, Modess Self, S.D.



Visiting Stella Files and Hazel Wisdom were Bob and Merlene Wisdom, Leo and Eloise Williams, Violet Watson, Dixie Ryon and Chris Johnson of Desdemona, Pat Kincannon of Hico,

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Ollie Halcomb, David Halcomb, Jo Ann Fraley, Pat Graham, A.V. Seay, Clifton Jarrett, Zena Simpson, Eunice Love, Fay Ables, Denzel Ables, Nancy Hendricks, Lonnie Bennett, Carolyn Foster, Marilyn Warren, and staff.

of God (John 5:24) and BELIEVE that Jesus is the Son of God (John 8:24). One must REPENT (Luke 13:3) and CONFESS that Jesus is the Son of God (Matt. 10:32-33). One must then submit to New Testament WATER IM-MERSION for the washing of one's past sins by the blood of Christ (Mark 16:16; Acts 22:16; Rev. 1:5). One must then continue to LIVE FAITH-FULLY and IN OBEDIENCE to God all of their life (Matt. 7:21-23; 10:22; Luke 6:46). If you haven't done these things you cannot go to Heaven according to Jesus. Have you obeyed the words of Jesus? Call or write us if we can help you in any way. We offer free Bible correspondence courses, free home Bible studies, or email us any Bible questions that you may have. Tune in to KYOX FM 94.3 Sunday mornings from 9:30 to 10:00 if you want to hear a Bible based sermon. Of course all visitors are welcome for our Bible classes or worship services. We look forward to seeing or hearing from you.

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