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Peanut Producer Tour To Showcase Research 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 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.

CONTEST!

The Civic Club needs a new name. We need your help in naming 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 at 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 announced 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 you 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 ever they may be located. Call or write Roy Rawls, 10189 Crown Colony Drive - #20, Austin, Tx 78747 or Call 512-291-0087.

Ranch Rodeo Slated For September 9

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 season thus far.

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

Panthers Open Season 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 Linebacker on both defense and offense; Mike Torres at offensive 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.

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 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



Ronnie Robinson

chairman of several key oversight committees.

Comanche ED, headquartered in Comanche, serves 8,200 member/consumers in the counties of Comanche, Mills, Brown, East-

GHS

Homecoming

September 30

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

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.

land, Stephens, Shackelford and Callahan counties.

Robinson and his wife Debbie have two children.



We Welcome With Love
Jeffery's New Baby Sister
Dianna Kay

Born on August 17, 2000
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Parents are Craig and Amanda Rainey

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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.

GORMAN PANTHERS

VS.

Tolar Rattlers

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

VARSITY

DATE	OPPONENT	PLACE	TIME
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	**Throckmorton	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

* District ** Homecoming

JUNIOR VARSITY

DATE	OPPONENT	PLACE	TIME
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
Oct. 26	TBA		
Nov. 2	TBA		
Nov. 9	TBA		

JUNIOR HIGH

DATE	OPPONENT	PLACE	TIME
Sept. 14	TBA		
Sept. 21	Perrin-Whitt	Here	6:00
Sept. 28	Throckmorton	There	5:30
Oct. 5	Tolar	There	5:30
Oct. 12	Baird	There	6:00
Oct. 19	Cross Plains	There	6:00
Oct. 26	May	Here	6:00
Nov. 2	Santa Anna	There	6:00
Nov. 9	Rising Star	Here	6:00

2000 GORMAN PANTHERS - Varsity

ATHLETIC DIRECTOR:

Ronny Wright

HEAD COACH:

Kyle Coker

ASST. COACHES:

Chad Coker, Ricky Taylor, Tommy Wilson and Ronny Wright

SUPERINTENDENT:

Gene Shackelford

PRINCIPAL:

Crystal Snider

BAND DIRECTOR:

Lisa Laminack

CHEERLEADER SPONSOR:

Desiree' Jefferson

CHEERLEADERS:

Emerald Guthrie, Kendra Roberts, Rachel Thomas, Mandy Warren, Sarah Lewis, Kristin Turner, Andrea Files, Ashley Maupin

MASCOT:

Tana Goode

DRUM MAJOR:

Crystal Iberra

TWIRLERS:

Amanda Janecek - Head
Holly Abbe

FLAGS:

Christina Mauney, Capt., Rachel Rainey, Co-Capt., Ashley Jenkins, Natasha Ritter, Kristina Everton

NO.	NAME	NO.	NAME	NO.	NAME	NO.	NAME	NO.	NAME
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	SR.					
32	ROLLY TORRES	140	RB-LB	SOPH.					
40	JACOB McCULLOUGH	165	RB-LB	SOPH.					
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	OL-LB	JR.					
60	BOBBY COX	175	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 DUVAL	175	OL-DL	SR.					
75	COLE DAME	210	OL-DE	JR.					
77	BRIAN HUNT	280	OL-DL	SOPH.					
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.					

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CARBON NEWS

By MICHELLE THACKERSON

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.

HERITAGE MANOR NEWS

By Nancy Hendricks

A Note from the Administrator

August 28, 2000
We have completed another good week at the nursing home. Our new family room is now ready and we invite each of you to come by and see the changes that we are making. The family room is available to all residents, family members, and visitors. We are also in the process of starting our own in-house library for our residents, volunteers, and the community. Kenneth Good has donated 135 books in an effort to help us establish this library 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 talent 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 introduce 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 nursing 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.

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 Slaton.

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, Lola 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-

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 Lola 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.

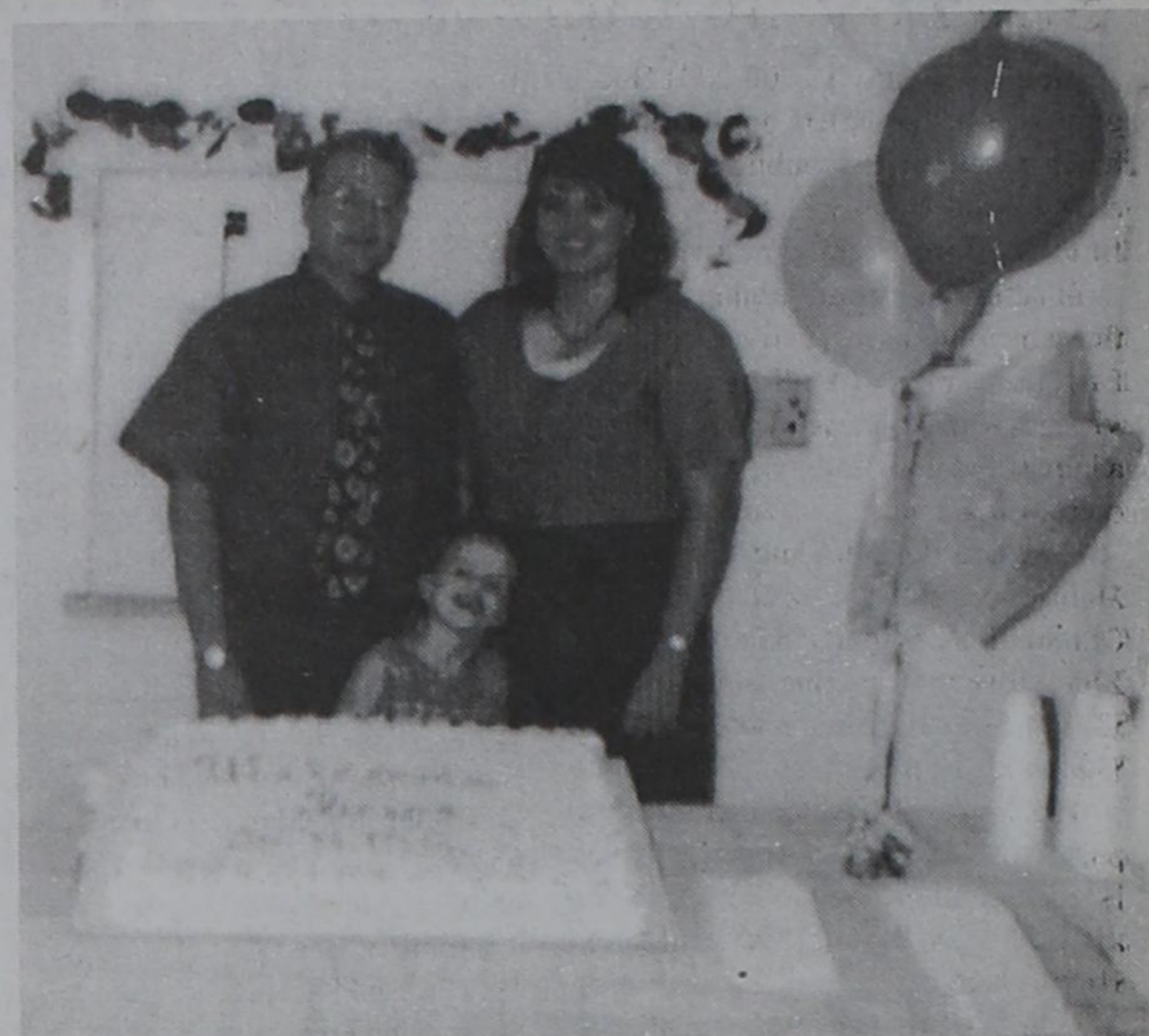
Some of S.D. Gilmore guests were Pat and Howard Hagood, Nina Joiner, Alpha Mae Andry, Denzel and Fay Ables, Daisy Slaton, Durwood Webb.

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 Hendricks, Eunice Love, Denzel and Fay Ables, Howard and Pat Hagood, Irene Hallmark, Verl and Vicki Hallmark of Brownwood.



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.

On Monday afternoon, those coming for singing were Ruby Lee Kinsler, 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 organ and led singing for Inez Rogers, Frankie Jarrett, A.V. Seay, Clifton Jarrett, Ava Rodgers, Zena Simpson.

Velma Bennett, Veno Hale, Mildred Bellows, Lola Johnson, Ora Mae Atchison, S.D. Gilmore, Ollie Halcomb, Modess Self, and Hazel Wisdom.

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, Lola Johnson, Inez Rogers, Modess Self, A.V. Seay, Patti Whitehorn, Hallie Clark, Muriel Prewitt and Zena Simpson.

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

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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 Granbury, 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-

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

Robert Brown killed a big rattlesnake 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 Bobby.

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-ins, and those in the rest homes with your cards and prayers.

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.

"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 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 1-877-2OldRip. entry forms may also be downloaded from the internet at www.eastland.net/eastland/parade.htm.

Schedule of Events

- 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 Scholarships
- 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

ORDINANCE NO. 2000-02

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

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