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Glory Performing At Liberty Baptist Church



Glory, a southern gospel duet, will present a gospel music concert Sunday morning, August 1st, at 10:30 a.m. at the Liberty Baptist Church.

The public is invited to attend. A love offering will be taken. Please join us and enjoy some great gospel music.

Baseball Commission Thank You

The Gorman Baseball Commission would like to extend a huge thank you to all the sponsors, coaches, workers, players and fans for making the 2004 baseball season such a success. It is through the support of businesses and individuals that we are able to provide this worthwhile program for the youth of our community. Thank you to all who sponsored a team or contributed to the program, these include: Birdsong Peanuts, A.O. Easley Trucks, Big "L" Collision, Shirley's Air Conditioning, ZJ's Steakhouse, Gorman Pharmacy and Video, G&H Feeds, Jack Jackson Concrete, Lara Trucking, EBAA Iron, City of Gorman, Bayer Motor Company, Carbon Agri-Center, Smith's Station, Gorman Milling, Southern Ag Carriers, Clark Building Supply and James Bruton.

Also we would like to thank the coaches who gave so much of their time to the kids, we know this is a tough and sometimes thankless job, but we could not have the program without you! Coaches include: Blake and Nick Guthery, Lance Sharp, Peyton Vaughn, Lucio Pacheco, Richard Watson, Larry Thompson, Amy Johnston, Anna Parker, Jack Jackson, Flavio and Barbara Herrera, Tracy and Colby Spivey, Tim Swanner, Tony Carter, Mario Ramirez, Jennifer Sparger, Becca Woodall, Kathy Rainey, Noah and Mila Landa, Melinda Leal, Kendra Swanner and Nikki Keith. I know there were many more who helped with these teams, any I left out please know that we appreciate your help and you were not left out intentionally.

Thank you to all who volunteered to work the clean up day, the concession stand, and any other work that you helped with. Also to Tony and Tracy Carter for the cookies and to Darrell Keith and Jimmy Woodall who stepped in as umpires when I thought I was about to go crazy trying to find good umpires, and to those who helped umpire the Pee Wee games.

Again thank you to the parents, players and fans! You are great and we appreciate all that you do to ensure that this program continues successfully.

Gorman Baseball Commission

Code Enforcement Violations

If you have received a letter from the City about your property, this letter is valid for one year from the date on the letter. If your property is found in violation, again you will receive a citation for this violation for each occurrence.

If you have received a letter from the City about your property and you do not respond to this office, then action will be taken. The property that is in violation will be cleaned up by the City at the owner's expense. If you refuse to pay what the cost of clean up is, a lien will be put on your property.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at City Hall on Thursday and Friday from 8 a.m. through 4 p.m. The number at City hall is 734-2317.

Barbara Fenley
Code Enforcement Officer

Maxfield Elementary School Registration for New Students

Maxfield Elementary School will be holding registration for new students August 3rd and August 4th, from 8:30a.m. until 2:00p.m. in the Elementary Office. Please bring Shot Records, Social Security Card, Birth Certificates, and a copy of student's report card from previous school. We will also need identification of person registering student.

This is for students that have not enrolled or previously registered for the coming 2003 2004 school year. Pre-Kindergarten students who registered in the spring need not register again.

Gorman Junior High and High School Registration

Registration for the Jr. High and High School Students has been set for August 2nd, 3rd and 4th. Seniors will be registering individually on Monday, August 2nd. Since this is a very important time for these students to select classes, parents are encouraged to accompany seniors. Seniors should please call and schedule a time to register for classes. Juniors and Sophomores will register Tuesday, Freshmen and seventh and eighth will register on Wednesday. Please try to make registration if possible. We all look forward to an exciting new year.

Monday, August 2	(8:00-3:00)	Seniors
Tuesday, August 3	(8:00-12:00)	Juniors
	(1:00-3:00)	Sophomores
Wednesday, August 4	(8:00-12:00)	Freshmen
	(1:00-3:00)	7 th and 8 th

Seven to Nine Year Old Baseball Team To Still Advancing

More congratulations are in order to the seven to nine year old baseball team! The team is participating in the State Tournament in Teague, and on Monday, July 26, 2004, the team played Brady and won 5-4 and then later that evening played Cross Roads and won 23-7. The team will now advance and play Teague at 5:30 on Wednesday.

Congratulations to these young men on their advancement, and GOOD LUCK!

Peanut Festival Scheduled For September 11th

This year's Peanut Festival will be held on Saturday, September 11th. Our Annual homecoming will also be on this weekend. Many activities are being planned for the Festival. A new addition this year is the First Annual Peanut Festival Shinoakes Bar-B-Que Cook Off.

Make plans now to attend and enjoy a day of fun-fill activities for the whole family.

**E X S G O R M A N
EX STUDENTS
ASSOCIATION**

Did you attend the Gorman Schools? Then you're an Ex Student and are cordially invited to have a float in the parade as part of the annual Peanut Festival on September 11 in downtown Gorman! Yes, Homecoming will again be held during the annual festival and several classes are planning to have floats. We hope you will get together with your classmates and have one representing your year. We are especially encouraging all classes whose dates in four to have a float. This would be classes 2004, 1994, 1984, 1974, 1964, 1954, 1944, 1934 and 1924. These could be elaborate or they could be such vehicles as pick-ups or cars. Go all out with your decorations or simply put your poster on the side of a car, gather as many classmates as you can and join in the fun! What better way to visit and reminisce than to build a float together! Don't miss this fun opportunity.

This year, we'll have a special float for the Coming Home Queen. All the former Coming Home Queens are invited to ride with the current Coming Home Queen, Mrs. Betty (Welch) Huff on the float as part of her court! Have you been a Coming Home Queen? If so, mark September 11 on your calendar and come be in the parade! Afterwards, join in the rest of the Homecoming Activities. There will be a booth downtown during the morning. (look for the Ex Student Association Banner!) Then there will be activities at the schools in the afternoon and a great dinner Saturday night at ZJ's Restaurant! These activities will be featured in this column of the Gorman Progress in the coming August issues. Don't put off another year! Bring your families, come to Homecoming and join in the fun!

Contact person for the Ex Student Association floats is Francis Simpson at 254/734-2058. She will coordinate these with the Peanut Festival.

First Baptist Church 120 Years Homecoming Celebration

The First Baptist Church of Gorman, Texas is having a 120 years Homecoming Celebration. Anyone previously and presently associated with the church are invited to come and be a part of our celebration on Sunday, August 22, 2004 from 10:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. Lunch is to be served at the church at noon.

Please come and bring your family and friends and spend the day visiting. Tell everyone about our Homecoming!

Desdemona Homecoming/School Reunion August 14th

Desdemona Homecoming and School Reunion will be held on Saturday, August 14th at the Community Center (former school building). Morning program will begin at 10:00 a.m. Noon meal will be catered. Mark your calendar and make plans to attend for an enjoyable day visiting with your former classmates and friends.

— EVENTS —

Peach and Melon Festival - August 1 thru 7
Peanut Festival - Saturday, September 11
GHS Homecoming - Saturday, September 11

ITEMS OF INTEREST

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. Daryl Hirst, Master — Bob Wilkerson, Secretary.

The Order of the Eastern Star holds its regular stated meetings on the first Monday of each month at 7:30 p.m.

LIBRARY — Charlie Garrett Memorial Library will be open Monday thru Friday from 3 to 5 p.m.

FOOD BANK

New Hours - 10 to 11:00 a.m.
Second Thursday

4-H - Meets Second Monday of each month at 6:00 p.m. at the First United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall.

Oakland Cemetery Association is accepting donations for the Care of the Cemetery. Donations can be sent to Oakland Cemetery Association, 503 N. Fisher, Gorman, Tx 76454, or American State Bank, Gorman, Texas 76454.

BLOOD PRESSURE CHECKS — Blood Pressure Checks by Heritage Manor of Gorman. Every Wednesday at Senior Citizens at 11:00 a.m. Other week at Gorman Hotel at 10:30 a.m.

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 Aline Garrett, P O Box 711, Gorman, Texas 76454, 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 - AUGUST 18TH FROM 9 - 12 NOON.

Desdemona School Reunion August 13th

Desdemona School Reunion has been scheduled for Friday, August 13, 2004 at the First Baptist Church Annex in Desdemona. Registration will be 4:30-6:00 p.m.

At 6:00 p.m. will have a program followed by a meal to be catered by Boomtown Cafe at \$8.00 per plate.

Please call 758-2296 to let us know if you plan to attend, so we will be able to have a good head count for the caterer.

Everyone is invited.

Tour with CJC Band and Wrangler Bells to Disneyland

Cisco Junior College is pleased to announce that the CJC Band and Wrangler Belles have been invited to perform at Disneyland. A special tour package is being made available to alumni and friends of CJC. The package includes five days and four nights in California. The departing flight will be Tuesday, December 28, 2004 with the group returning Saturday, January 1, 2005.

Places are available on a "first come, first serve" basis. The per person price for single occupancy is \$1311.00, double occupancy - \$1119.00, triple occupancy - \$1055.00 and quad occupancy - \$1023.00. These prices will be assured until the initial number of participants is filled. Additional places will be available if seats can be reserved with the airline, but the published price cannot necessarily be guaranteed. Reserve as early as possible by sending in your deposit.

A deposit of \$300.00 per person, submitted with a tour registration form will be required to make reservations for the tour. The deposit and registration must be received no later than September 1. To obtain tour brochures/registration forms contact Debbie Baker, Director of Wrangler Belles, at Cisco Junior College (254) 442-5140 or dbaker@cisco.cc.tx.us.

Frank Skaggs Family Reunion

By Bernice Skaggs Farley

On July 24, 2004, the Frank and Lizzie Skaggs family reunion was held at the City Hall in DeLeon. The first arrivals were the De Leon Farley Family, followed closely by Marie White, so Jim had the greeters in place. Other people kept coming until after lunch (they did manage to partake). We wound up with around eighty people, all were family except one visitor. A good time was had visiting, eating, sing

ing, and again visiting. We had one member who hadn't been to a reunion for 12 years.

We also had some from quite a distance. We may have had a three-way tie. Bob and Marj Anderson were from Aiken, SC. Their son and family (Gregg, Rose, Zachary, and Skyler) were from Charleston, SC. Kaycee Richarz and her daughters, Kendall and Kyra were from Boulder, CO. You can judge who came the farthest!

DESDEMONA NEWS

BY VONNIE GUTHERY

Desdemona Homecoming and School Reunion will be held on Saturday, August 14th at the Community Center (former school building). Morning program will begin at 10:00 a.m. Noon meal will be catered. Mark your calendar and make plans to attend for an enjoyable day visiting with your former classmates and friends.

Ima Brown visited last Saturday with a friend, Agatha (Genoway) Nance at the Good Tree Apartments in Stephenville. Recent visitors with Agatha were her children, Agatha Lee Hendriksen of Wilmington, North Carolina, Steve Nance of Temple and Don Nance of Stephenville. Agatha is a former resident of Desdemona where she attended school and graduated with the Class of 1934.

"Congratulations" to Ray and Judy Brazell as they will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary on Saturday, July 31st. They live in the Jakehamon Community near the Brazell Family Homeplace. Ray started to school in Jakehamon—then transferred to the Desdemona School where he attended and graduated with the Class of 1949.

Travis Walston spent the past week in Houston on a contract welding job. He reported very hot and humid weather in that area.

Roy and Angela Powledge of Cisco hosted a birthday party on Wednesday, July 28, for their son, Lane, who will celebrate his 2nd birthday on July 31st. Those attending were Colin and Kaley Powledge, Dean and Judy Powledge all of Cisco; Karen Eaves and Lorin, Vonnice Guthery, Belinda Guthery, Holly Guthery, Kandice Cogburn and son, Dylan all of Desdemona. Birthday cake and ice cream were served to everyone.

Theron Perrin of De Leon visited recently in Arizona with his sister, Evelyn McBroom, then on to Alaska to spend two weeks with his children and their families. Theron attended school in Desdemona.

Others in attendance were:

Glen and Shirley Clement, Roger Clement, Jerry and Virginia Skaggs, Emma Jane Larch, and W.C. and Winell Browning, all from Gorman, Harold Skaggs from Comanche, Deborah Clement from Eastland, Carolyn, Paul, Stacy, Grayce and Kaley King from Waco, Bob Clement from Bryan, Peggy and Jerry Barton from Granbury, Wayne and Betty Quinn from Saginaw, Jeanie, Billy, Jake, Joe and Sarah Mitchell, Connie Mack Skaggs from Abilene, Andrea and Hannah Felder from Haltom City, Trace, Susan, and Jordan Eden from Canyon Lake, Kent, Kelly Karsen and Kyle Styron, Billy, Nikki, Christopher, Allison Febinger from Stephenville, Randy, Sharon, Connor, and Molly from Pleasanton, Billie Huggins, and McElton Skaggs from Palo Pinto, Wynde Barton from Frisco, Nicole Barton, and her father (I did not get his name) from Ft. Worth, Karla, Todd, Hayden and Tate Searengin from Leanders, near Austin, Elsie, Sam, Sharon, Alan, DeWitt, Vicki, Jackie, Natalie, and Emily Robinett, Marie White, Bernice, Jim and Martha Farley, Jamie Farley Reyna, Jay, and Ona Odum.

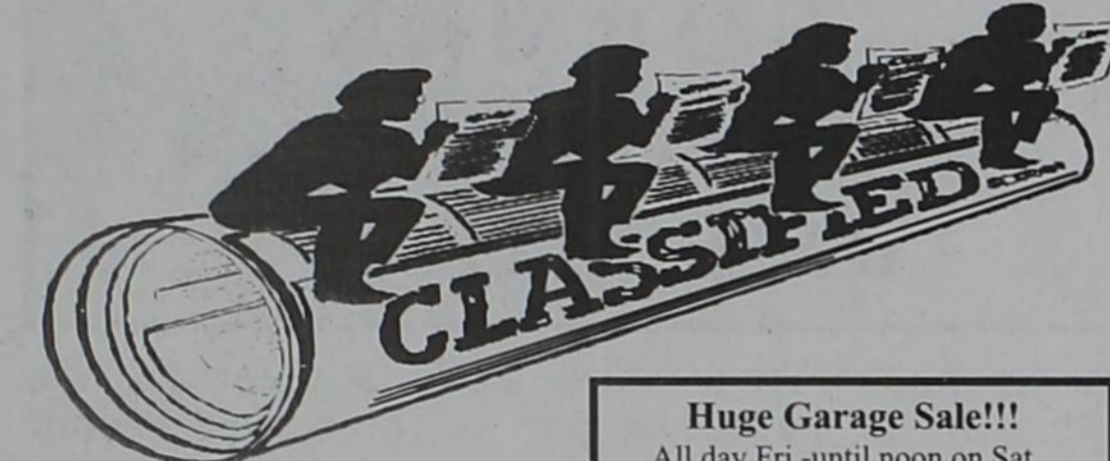
If you missed it this time, maybe you can make it next year!

Ada Koonce, 83, of Dallas was buried last week in the Desdemona Cemetery. Survived by her son, Norman Koonce and wife, of Dallas. Preceded in death by her husband, W.D. "Skeeter" Koonce. Our sincere sympathy goes out to his family.

Karen Eaves and Lorin, Belinda Guthery of Desdemona; Angela Powledge and children, Colin, Kaley and Lane of Cisco spent the weekend in San Antonio to attend Sea World, visit the Alamo, and other points of interests. They reported a good trip.

Please contact this reporter with your weekly news. Thanks and have a nice day, Vonnice.

Legal notice regarding Ordinance No. 302 of the City of Gorman. It details property at 603 S. Pershing and outlines requirements for property maintenance and removal of nuisances. Signed by Barbara Farley, Code Enforcement Officer.



COME SHOP! ALSO SPACES FOR RENT Mall on the Square. Antiques & More (crafts, etc) Comanche, Texas. 111 North Houston. Tues-Sat 10:30 a.m. - 6 p.m.

Town & Country REAL ESTATE. BARBARA LOVE, Broker. 317 E. Main St. 254-629-1725. EASTLAND, TX 76448.

ROOM FOR EVERYONE! 3 BR, 3 1/2 bath home w/bedroom suite. Formal dining, fireplace, game room, built-in appliances, vacuum system, covered patio, DAG, fenced yard, & very clean.

GOOD NEIGHBORHOOD - One block from school! 3 BR, 1 1/2 baths brick home with CH/A, office, screened porch, SAG, SACP, above ground pool, & nice sized lot.

GIVE ME LAND - Lots of land! 10.5 acres, m/, and 4 BR home with city convenience. Near everything with CH/A, kitchen built-ins, FP, patio, screened porch, DAG, water well & city water.

PERFECT PLACE FOR A BUSINESS! This lot in Gorman on Hwy. 6 would be great place for any business. Drive by & take a look.

BARGAIN PRICES! 2 BR, 1 bath, large utility, large kitchen, DACP. Great starter home. 02

THE GORMAN PROGRESS P. O. Box 68. Gorman, Texas 76454. Phone 254-734-2410 or 2411 - Fax 254-734-2799. Email - gprogress@txbusiness.com

DISPLAY AD RATE \$3.00 Per NAA COL. INCH NATIONAL AD RATE \$3.75 Per NAA COL. INCH Advertising Line Rate - 2678 NO COMMISSION DISCOUNTS CLASSIFIED ADVERTISEMENTS 20 Cents a Word

Huge Garage Sale!!! All day Fri. - until noon on Sat. 1123 N. Fisher - Marvin Rich (turn on Kokomo Hwy, go 1 block, turn right) Clothes, shoes, furniture, toys, TV, golf clubs, electric typewriter, bicycles, vacuum cleaner, etc.

Garage Sale - 1 day only! Friday, July 30th from dawn to dusk. 606 Pershing St. Love seat, clothes, sheets, mini-blinds, lots of misc-come see! 1-7-29-C

For Rent: Nice 4 bedroom house in country - \$650. per month plus utilities. No smokers or inside pets. Call Jonathan at 254-780-0024. fnc

For Sale: Fertilized Sudan hay, large bales in the field. \$25.00 a bale. Call 254-734-2150. 2-7-29-C

For Sale: 1986 Mercury Cougar-2 door, dark brown. 254-734-5067. fnc

Gorman Paper Route - Estimated profit, \$950. Call 325-670-5246. fnc

Did your electric bill go up this month? Another increase coming! NOT HAPPY! Call for individual review. I saved money this month!

For Sale: Office building and corner lot next to Post Office in Gorman. Call 254-734-2755.

FOR RENT: Building downtown Gorman across from ZJ's Steakhouse. Available Now!!! Central Heat and Air, restroom and waterheater. Call Joe at Gorman Progress - 254-734-2410.

COGBURN REALTY 893-6666 DE LEON, TX www.cogburnrealestate.com NEW : 2-1-1 brick, CH/A, 1745' LA, fenced backyard, corner lot, 24x40 shop w/cement floor, nice home. \$39,500.

3-2 Brick central A/H carport, water well, fenced, large lot. \$52,500 NEW: 15a M/L edge town, nice re-modeled 2 - 2 brick, central a/h, carpeted, fireplace, large game room, 24 x 60 metal garage - cement floor, guest house, water well + city water and sewer, pecans, pavement. Reduced \$130,000.

28A, 6 Miles East of Gorman on FM 2921; 10 acres coastal, 15 acres cult., 2 stock ponds, electricity available, good fences. \$1,250 Acre.

37 A. N/W of De Leon, good sandy land, app. 5A coastal, stock pond, 3 water wells, pavement access, great building spot. \$1,250 per A.

47.65 A. 4 miles west of Gorman, 25A coastal, 20 A. cultivated, 2 ponds, barn / pens, good dear area, \$1,050 acre.

50 A. Gorman on FM 2921: 15A coastal, 3A wooded, 25A native, Water well, make good cattle place, lg oaks - homesites. \$1600 acre. NEW: 105 A., Comanche Co., near De Leon, 30 A. Coastal, 52 A. cultivated, 23 A. pasture, 3 stock ponds, 2 wells (previously used for irrigation), steel corrals, electricity, paved @ CR frontage, deer/wildlife in area, combination stocker/wildlife property, \$1,900 per acre

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NITA DANSBY REAL ESTATE COMPANY Commercial - Residential - Farm - Ranch. 132 S. Texas - De Leon, TX 76444. 254-893-6441

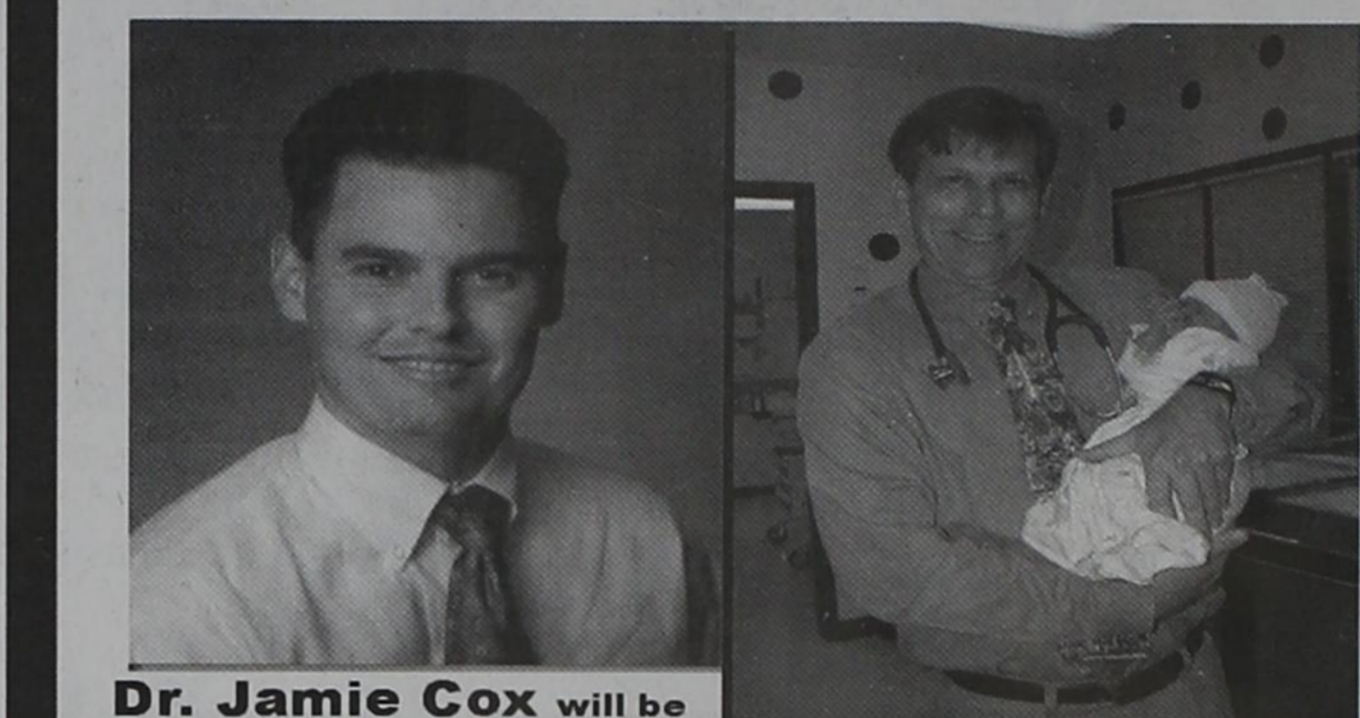
JUST Listed! 83A., m/l - Hard to Find Small Acreage @ Reasonable Price! Est. 35 A. Coastal; 5 wells, 4 ponds! South of Hwy. 8. Only \$1,150 per A! 60 ACRES - 2 mi. off pavement; 2 ponds, coastal. \$85,000.00 Please Call For Other Offerings!

Gilder Realty www.gilderrealty.com Hwy. 6 W -- De Leon, Texas -- 254-893-3404 Agent: Ronnie Golden - Broker: Robert Gilder - Agent: David Gilder. Eastland Co.: 596 Acres, 4-2.5, 2,400 sq. ft. brick home with creek, lake site, 6-tanks, coastal fields, woods, hunting. \$695,000

Riley Gardner Memorial Represented By JONELL TORREZ - 254-734-2535. Our Memorial Display Is Now Located Behind Higinbotham's Funeral Home. We Guarantee You Can Buy The BEST QUALITY Memorial At The LOWEST PRICE. All Work Guaranteed.

Paul Williams Roofing Carbon, Texas 254-639-2330 30 years of Service in Gorman Area Free Estimates Extended Warranties

BUYING Junk Cars and Pickups DeLeon Auto Supply 254/893-6776



Dr. Jamie Cox will be starting his practice with B & W Clinic, Monday, July 19, 2004. Dr. Cox is a 2001 graduate of Texas Tech University School of Medicine. He served in the United States Air Force as a Medical Service Specialist.

On behalf of Eastland Memorial Hospital we would like to welcome Dr. Cox

Dr. Bob Matthews is a 1983 graduate of the University of Texas at Galveston. He is a member of the Texas & American Association of Family Practice. Since 1986, Dr. Matthews has been Board Certified in Family Practice and in practice at the B & W Clinic.

Pizza Inn is looking for QUALITY C-store Operators or Oil Jobbers to become part of a fast-growing and exciting co-branding opportunity. Pizza Inn supports over 400 outlets and is aggressively developing Pizza Inn Express units in C-Store and Truck Plazas.

Business Directory

A-1 Home Improvements Office 866-784-8257 / 254-639-2212. 25 Years Experience. Vinyl Siding - Softix Over Hang Coverage - Metal Roofing - Replacement Windows

T. J. Clark Construction Co., Inc. (254) 734-2755. P. O. Box 176 -- 111 E. Roberts St. -- Gorman, Texas 76454. General Building Contractors - All Work Guaranteed

Kokomo News

By Zelda Jordan

The rain passed us by, but wasn't the cooler cloudy weather great? The weatherman is still promising us rain through the next few days, so maybe the rain will come our way yet. Let us pray and hope so.

Bro. W. N. Shipman of Desdemona was the guest preacher at the Kokomo Baptist Church on Sunday morning, bringing a very challenging message to walk in the light and to let that light shine as a witness of Jesus Christ and his love. His wife Billie accompanied him to Kokomo. The choir, under the direction of Woodrow Browning with Glynda Bond at the piano, rendered the special music. Those in the choir were Crystal Snider, Kay Snider, Aletha Burgess, Norma Webb, Sylvia Buchanan, Ruby Lee Kinser, Helen Browning, Oren Webb, Jimmy Little and Joe Bond.

Bro. Clarence and Leona Wilson reported a real good time at the class reunion of the 1954 graduating class of Cross Plains High School that was held at the 4-H Center at Brownwood during the weekend.

Visitors with Delmon and Joyce Eaves were J. B. Neill of Lamesa, Wanda Hart of Oklahoma, Mrs. Hart of Eastland, Mark, Margaret and Preston Eaves of Charlotte, NC, Shirley Clement of Lake Leon, Maxine Huddlestone of Lake Leon, David Martin of Ranger, Cliff and Doris Graham of Eastland and Nancy Hendricks. Steve and Jennifer Klohn of Aubrey visited with Sylvia Buchanan.

Oren and Norma enjoyed a few days at Lake Brownwood.

Arl and Margie Lasater of Carbon, Shorty Treadway of Ranger, Nancy Hendricks and Norma Webb visited with Zelda Jordan.

We extend sincere sympathy to the family of Homer Sanders of Eastland who passed away on Friday, July 23. His wife, Jannie and daughters, Tinnia and Brenda were members of the Kokomo Baptist Church when they lived in the Gorman area several years ago.

Have a good week and PRAY for rain.

90th Annual - DE LEON PEACH AND MELON FESTIVAL

SATURDAY, JULY 31, 2004

8:00 a.m. ANNUAL "42" TOURNAMENT - HIGH SCHOOL

MONDAY, AUGUST 2, 2004

8:00 p.m. RAY PRICE - CONCERT / DANCE

TUESDAY, AUGUST 3, 2004

3:00 p.m. Queen Candidates Tea, Given by De Leon Study Club

7:00 p.m. Kiddie Tractor Pull, Arena Area

8:30 p.m. Judging of Little Miss De Leon, Festival Stage

9:30 p.m. Judging of Queen, CROWNS Donated by: Connie's Jewelry, (Stage)

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 4, 2004

11:00 a.m. JUDGING OF 4-H ENTRIES

1:00 p.m. JUDGING OF FRUIT ENTRIES, FESTIVAL GROUNDS

7:00 p.m. STREET PARADE - DOWNTOWN

8:00 p.m. MELON AUCTION (Stage)

9:00 p.m. DANCE WITH DOWNHOLE BOYS - FREE

THURSDAY, AUGUST 5, 2004

7:00 p.m. TRACTOR PULL, ARENA

8:00 p.m. GOSPEL QUARTETS - Shiloh's - Southern Charm - Breath of Life

10:00 p.m. ANNOUNCEMENTS

FRIDAY, AUGUST 6, 2004

7:00 p.m. TRACTOR PULL, ARENA

9:00 p.m. SPANISH DANCE - STAGE SLAB - REBELDIA COLUMBIANA

SATURDAY, AUGUST 7, 2004

7:00 a.m. Melon Patch Tour, Registration, Senior Citizens Complex

10:00 a.m. GOLDEN SATURDAY, DOWNTOWN TIL 3:00 P.M.

10:00 a.m. Ex-Students Meeting ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

12:00 Noon Spaghetti Lunch, Ex-Students, Bike Riders and Public

1:00 p.m. WARD BUTLER MEMORIAL - Fiddlers Contest - CITY AUDITORIUM

3:00 p.m. Seed Spitting Contest, Main Street, Sponsor: DE LEON FREE PRESS

5:00 p.m. MELON SLICING - MAIN STREET (FREE MELON)

7:00 p.m. TRACTOR PULL, Tractor Pull Arena, Festival Grounds

9:00 p.m. DANCE ON OPEN-AIR SLAB - DERYL DODD

10:30 p.m. PRESENTATION OF MISS DE LEON - STAGE

11:30 p.m. Dance Continues

12 MIDNIGHT - Drawing for JOHN DEERE LAWN MOWER / KART SILVER FOX 6.5 HP (need not be present)

DWI Defendant Sentenced To Prison For Six Years

Randall Taylor Jones, 39, formerly of Eastland, Texas, is now an inmate awaiting transfer to state prison to serve a (6) six year sentence for the felony offense of Driving While Intoxicated.

Mr. Jones had been previously convicted three other times for DWI, in Eastland County in 1986, in Swisher County in 1990 and in Randall County in 1994.

Visiting Judge Jerry Ray of the 29th Judicial District Court of Palo Pinto County sentenced Jones.

Nineteen Year Old Confined for Burglary Conviction

Jesse James Delgado, 19, of Cisco, was convicted and sentenced to one year confinement in the Texas Department of Criminal Justice - State Jail Division for two charges of Burglary of a Building. No opportunity for early release or parole exists on this offense.

The burglary offenses occurred in March of 2004 in the city of Cisco. Visiting Judge Jerry Ray of Palo Pinto County presided. Delgado faced a maximum of up to two years confinement in the State Jail Division. The investigation was conducted by officers with the Cisco Police Department.

Delgado had previously been placed on deferred adjudication for a similar offense in July of 2003 by Judge Steven Herod. As a result of the two new offenses, Delgado's probation in this case was also revoked and a finding of guilty was adjudged against him.

Texas Yes!

Texas Department of Agriculture

Refreshing the Spirit in Rural Texas

By Agriculture Commissioner Susan Combs

With more than 213,000 square-miles in our backyard, rural Texas continues to rank as the number one travel destination in this great state - from warm coastal beaches and rugged, rolling hills to crystal clear springs, pristine desert, towering mountains and lost pines. Rural Texas covers 80 percent of the state's land area and is home to just 2.9 million of Texas' 21 million citizens. Yet there are no strangers in rural Texas. Visitors are greeted with almost limitless opportunities for recreation and relaxation. Rural tourism accounts for \$2.5 billion in spending each year, jump-starting local economies, contributing significant tax revenues and serving as the life-blood for many smaller communities.

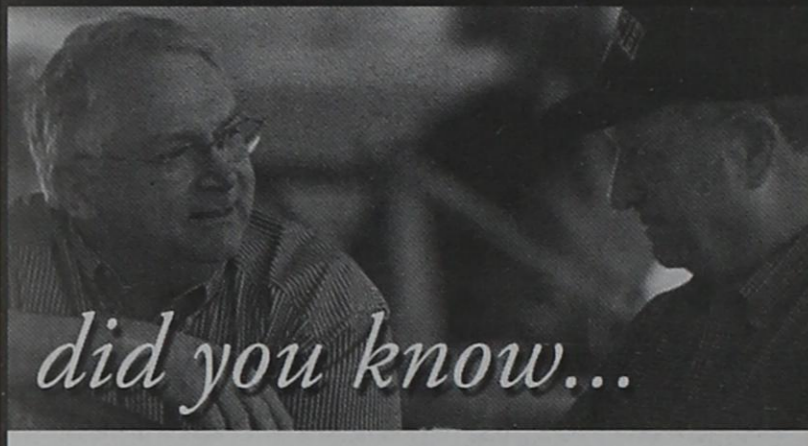
Rural Texas has it all: outdoor adventure, shopping bonanzas, hands-on history and heritage, and festivals featuring food, music and old-fashioned fun. To find out what's going on in your back-

yard, check out the Web sites listed below. Then come visit. Stay a while. And refresh your spirit - in rural Texas.

Texas Department of Agriculture: www.TexasYes.org
Office of the Governor, Economic Development and Tourism: www.traveltex.com
Texas Commission on the Arts: www.art.state.tx.us
Texas Historical Commission: www.thc.state.tx.us
Texas Parks and Wildlife Department: www.tpwd.state.tx.us
Texas Department of Transportation: www.dot.state.tx.us

Texas Yes! is a member-based program sponsored by the Texas Department of Agriculture for rural communities, businesses and organizations to promote business development, job growth and tourism in rural Texas. For more information on Texas Yes! call (866) 4TEX-YES or visit www.TexasYes.org.

A MESSAGE FROM RANDY



did you know...

Randy and his wife of 33 years, Dana, raised their family in West Texas. They have two sons and two grandchildren. Their daughter-in-law grew up on a family ranch near Albany.

CONGRESSMAN
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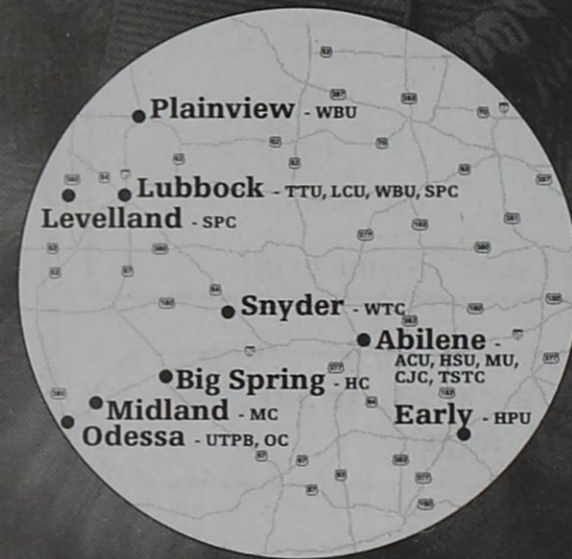
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Heritage Manor

News

By Nancy Hendricks

Food For Thought

To make a long story short, don't tell it.
 If your left hand doesn't know what your right hand is doing, you should consider running for a job in Washington DC.
 Some minds are like concrete, thoroughly mixed up and permanently set.
 Peace starts with a smile.
 I don't know why some people change churches; what difference does it make which one you stay home from?
 A lot of church members who are singing "Standing on the Promises" are just sitting on the premises.
 We were called to be witnesses, not lawyers or judges.
 Outside of traffic, there is nothing that hold this country back as much as committees.
 Be ye fishers of men. You catch them-He'll clean them.
 Coincidence is when God chooses to remain anonymous.

Some guests were James and Mary Jesse of Ft. Worth, Sylvia Estes and Marie Cook of Carbon.
 Visiting were Levi Roberts, Shaylor Roberts, Shannon Roberts, Bo and Anna Lee Roberts of Gorman, Kennard and Doyleena Roberts of Gustine, Rodney and Vickie Roberts of Stephenville, Dawn Roberts of Frisco.
 Residents sure appreciated the good magazines that were donated.
 Recent visitors were Peggy and Bobby Ingram, Bill Moll and Maudie Husband of Cisco, Lee and Sue Pettigrew of Desdemona, Mary Ann Alexander of Brownwood, Larry and DeLinda Snider and Diana Snider.
 On Sunday morning, those coming from First Baptist Church for Sunday School were Tootie Campbell, James, Ellen and Rachel Tucker, Vickie Seay and Winston Brown. James taught the lesson. The lesson was "Encouraged By Redemptive Usefulness." Biblical passage was Nehemiah 1:1-24. A resident gave the opening prayer and another resident led the closing prayer. There were twenty nine residents present. Howard and Pat Hagood were guests.

Some visitors were Winston Brown, Jerry Brown, Roger Brown, Geraldene Wright, Karen Guthery, Betty Logan and Lavelle Hallmark of Lake Leon, Ronnie Brown and Stanley Brown of Lamesa.
 On Monday morning, Karen Guthery came and opened the beauty shop for hair styling.
 Recent guests were John and Georgia Lee Hopper of Georgetown, Daisy Slaton, Stanley Porter.
 On Monday morning, Pat Graham and Judy Kilbrew and Jason Kilbrew came and had bingo for eleven residents. The prizes were delicious.
 Some guests were Pam Hulse of Hobbs, NM, W.C. and Winelle Browning, Woodrow and Helen Browning and Ruby Lee Kinser.
 On Monday afternoon, those coming for the Gospel Singing were Ruby Lee Kinser, Zeldia Jordan, Daisy Slaton, Woodrow and Helen Browning, Marjorie Treadway, Ernestine Campbell, W.C. and Winelle Browning, Nancy Hendricks. Ruby Lee, Woodrow and Helen brought the special music. Thirteen residents were present.
 Recent visitors were Don Sanders of Springtown, Annette Sanders, Marjorie Treadway, Ernestine Campbell, Suzan Lipson and Dorothy Roberts.

Also visiting were Jerry Majors of DeLeon, Jarred Williams of Desdemona, Steve and Dorenda Menten and Frankie Jo Shipman.
 Residents send Lloyd Glasson "Get Well Wishes." Lloyd played in the Hogan Band many times for Heritage Manor.
 Some guests were E.G. and Nancy Henderson of Lake Leon, C.J. and Liz Henderson of Abilene, Vickie Seay, James, Rachel, and Ellen Tucker.
 On Tuesday morning, Betty Duke of Desdemona came played the electric keyboard and led singing. There were ten residents present.
 Visiting recently were Wayne Craddock of Las Cruces, NM, Amy Johnston, Estelle Craddock, Mary Margaret Hudson, and Kay Ann Craddock.
 Residents send Wanda Rainey "Get Well Wishes." Mrs. Rainey has come many times to play the piano for the Gospel Singers.
 Visiting were Glen and Nancy Lawless of DeLeon, Judy Kilbrew and Jason Kilbrew.
 On Tuesday afternoon, residents enjoyed a movie.
 Recent visitors were Dillon and Edna Jones of Dennison, Ann Warren, Howard and Pat Hagood.
 On Wednesday morning, those coming from the First Baptist Church

for chapel were Rev. Bill and Tootie Campbell and Winston Brown. Bro. Bill's subject was "Telling Others About Jesus." Biblical passage was John 10:31-42. A resident gave the opening prayer and another led the closing prayer. There were sixteen residents present.
 Some guests were Evelyn Hare, Bonnie D. Stewart and Jewel Morris of DeLeon, Becky Smith of Cross Plains, Pam Childers, Lonnie and Edith Grumbles, Annie Faye Foster.
 Wednesday afternoon, Judy and Jason Kilbrew came and had 'Crazy Bingo' for a large number of residents.
 Recent guests were Maxine Frasier of DeLeon, Jo Carey of Midlothian, Brent Carey, Christi Carruth and Avery Carruth of Amarillo, Irene West, Durward Webb, Bro. Larry Stogsdill and Nancy Hendricks.
 On Thursday morning, Rose Marie Allen from The Bride of Christ Church came for Bible reading. Mrs. Allen's topic was "Jesus the Light of the World." Biblical passages were from Psalms and John. Seven residents were attending.
 Visiting were Max and Janice Grice of Brownfield, Tisha and Daniel Grice of Stephenville, Bill and Tootie Campbell. Also visiting were Henry Lenz of Carbon and George Rodgers.

Lone Star Barbecue Society Cook-Off In Hamilton Set

Barbecue cook-off teams from around Texas will be in Hamilton August 6 and 7 for a Lone Star Barbecue Society sanctioned cook-off. The event is a fundraiser for the Hamilton Bulldog Band and will assist them in raising funds for their trip to Washington D.C. in January.
 Cook-off organizer Paul Gomez said there are already 32 teams signed up to participate in the cook-off with more expected to sign up on the first day of the cook-off, which will be held at the Jayson Harris Pavilion at Fair Park.
 Gomez said he still welcomes teams who would like to pre-register as well as those who sign up the day of the cook-off.
 Besides the cook-off, there will also be a barbecue plate lunch on August 8 from 11:30 a.m. until 1:30 p.m. at the pavilion as well as a softball tournament, car show, money raffle, bake sale and dance.
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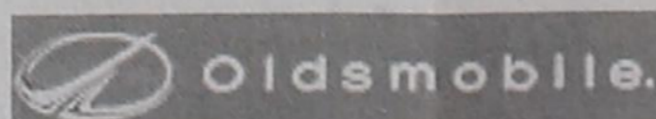
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