

Things continue to happen here in our city as the opening date for our new restaurant, ZJ's Steak House, draws closer.

Also opening will be E'Lan, an antique, jewelry and gift item shop, across from the restaurant.

A clock and clock repair shop is expected to open a little later. Also expected to open in the next couple of weeks, is Ye Ole Ice Cream Shoppe.

Also have noticed that the City Crew is in the process of installing a new pipe railing around the location of the Peanut Festival Carnival Grounds.

Have received notification that the County Commissioners have voted to terminate the jail inmate work program effective October 1st.

I am disappointed that this project is being ended. This is a very good program for the City of Eastland County and helps in so many ways on cleaning up and helping with beautification work in our county towns.

If you feel as I do about this, please write to your County Commissioners and let them know that we want this fine project to continue.

Plans are progressing for our Peanut Festival on September 9th. If you are asked to participate in the planning and work on this year's event, pitch in and help out.

NOTICE! The Gorman Peanut Festival Queen Contest and Coronation has been rescheduled for Saturday, September 9th. To participate please call Joy Rogers at 734-2846 or 2445. Deadline for entering is September 1st.

PET PARADE!! The Gorman Peanut Festival Pet Parade will be Saturday, September 9th at 9:30 at the Inspection Building on S. Kent. All interested persons are asked to be in the parade.

Thurman and Claudia Jay Celebrate 50th Anniversary



August 11, 1945 was a very special day to Thurman Lee Jay, Jr. and Claudia Mary Lenington. They started their life together as husband and wife.

Thurman and Claudia celebrated their 50th Anniversary with a trip to Las Vegas, Nevada.

Gorman Independent School District Faculty For The 1995 - 96 School Year

Gene Shackelford - Superintendent; Bill Sandlin - High School Principal; Betty Morris - Elementary Principal; Janda Taylor - Pre-Kindergarten/Early Education; Jerry Brown - Kindergarten; Mary Reeves - Kindergarten; Karen Burleson - 1st grade; Cheryl Smith - 1st grade; Jean Lasater - 2nd grade; Kimberly Curlee - 2nd grade; Pat Caraway - 3rd grade; Tracy Spivey - 3rd grade; Shirley Good - 4th grade; Gaytha Bear - 4th grade; Stephanie Fox - 5th grade; Crystal Snider - 5th grade; Jennifer Gressett - 6th grade; Laticia Hampton - 6th grade; Karan Watson - Special Education - Elementary; Vicki Johnson - Special Education - High School; Lisa Laminack - Band; Bo Caraway - Ag; Barbara Long - English/Theatre Arts; William Roark - Science/P.E.; Kayla Duke - English/ESL; Linda Glover - Counselor; Glenda Willoughby - Home-making; Ruby Lee Kinser - G/T; Rebecca Swanner - Math/Computer; Kyra Dickerson - Business/Computer; Vicki Wilson - English/Spanish; Rosanne Simpson - Math; Jim Curlee - Athletic Coordinator/Health; Woody Young - Social Studies/P.E.; Brad Ellison - Social Studies/P.E.; Cindy Choate - Science/P.E.; Helen Browning - Tax Collector/

Adm. Secretary; Frances Rivers - Adm. Secretary; Pam Childers - High School Secretary; J.R. Jones - Elementary Secretary; Debbie Burleson - Aide; JoKay Hand - Aide; Carolyn Little - Aide; Cheri Troutman - Aide/Bus Driver; Donna Grissom - Aide; Sammye Mauney - Aide/Bus Driver; Becky Smith - Aide; Michaelyn Clark - Aide/High School Librarian; Louise Hall - Elementary Librarian; Jeanne Hornback - Aide; Jo Norris - Cafeteria Manager; Shelia Perez - Cafeteria; Gena Rone - Cafeteria; Sandra Osborne - Cafeteria/Bus Driver; Jack Harrison - Maintenance; Ron Childers - Maintenance; Barbara Tucker - H.S. Custodian; Yolanda Ramirez - Elem. Custodian; Mabel Perez - Elem. Custodian; Mary Davis - Nurse; Patty Shannon - Speech.

"Attention Gorman Citizens"

As a New Business owner in Downtown Gorman we would like to start a Beautification Program for our Downtown area.

Anyone wishing to Donate Half Barrel's, flowers, ornamental trees, planting mixture, or money may do so by calling Bob and Charlene Richardson at 734-3250.

We would like to decorate with a barrel in front of each business downtown and have them ready by Festival Time, Sept. 9th for everyone to enjoy and know that we all care for our little town, and we can all give a Big Gorman Pride Smile!

Gorman is Panther Pride Come Downtown it's Worth the Ride Each empty building Will house Entrepreneurs Now if you know what These are you're a Scholar for sure.

CARD OF THANKS A special thank you to all my friends and neighbors for their prayers, the cards and letters and the beautiful flowers. Thanks to my church family, Bro. Ron, our Sunday School Classes, The Doctors and Nurses at De Leon and Hendrick Hospitals, while I was there also the care flight unit. I am home now doing real good. Frances Babbitt Family

Panthers To Scrimmage Thursday At Jim Ned

The Gorman Panthers will hold their first scrimmage of the season on Thursday, August 21st at 7:30 at Jim Ned following some very impressive workouts.

Coaches Jim Curlee, Bill Roark and Woody Young have been putting the Panthers through some tough drills and techniques to get them ready for the upcoming season. They are really impressed with the work the players have put forth.

The Panthers have 34 players out for football. They are led by 11 seniors: Nick Guthery, QB/LB; Paul Petree, RB/LB; Jason Warren, TE/DE; Tom Bynum, TE/DE; Marco Herrera, RB/DB; Josh Hampton, RB/DB; Justin Snider, Kicker; Jason Rich, OL/DL; Sam Richardson, OL/DE; Ronald Majors, SE/DB; and Jason Johnson, SE/DB.

Juniors are Adon Rodriquez, QB/DB; Kris Carlton, OL/DL; Isreal Rodriquez, OL/DE; Jamie Gilder, OL/DL; Jace Underwood, OL/DL; Lonnie Grumbles, OL/DL; Jarrett Stacy, SE/DB; and Jeremy Janecek, TE/DB.

Sophomores are Stephen Gryder, QB/LB; Jeremy Bryan, RB/DE; and Shannon Mauney, OL/DL.

Freshmen include Margarito Sanchez, RB/LB; Leslie Wood, QB/DB; Francisco Madera, RB/DB; Aaron Petree, RB/DE; Blake Guthery, RB/LB; Brian Simpson, SE/DB; Corey Carruth, OL/DE; Alan Bradshaw, OL/DL; Cy Cypher, OL/DL; Keith Grumbles, OL/DL; Willie Grumbles, OL/DL; and Robert Sexton, OL/DL.

Starters for the scrimmage at Jim Ned will be Nick Guthery, 170, QB; Marco Herrera, TB, 145; Paul Petree, FB, 160; Josh Johnson, WB, 160; Ronald Majors, SE, 165; Kris Carlton, T, 245; Jason Rich, G, 205; Jace Underwood, C, 250; Shannon Mauney, G, 225; Jamie Gilder, T, 235; and Jason Warren, TE, 175.

Next Thursday, August 31st, the Panthers will host Tolar for a 7:30 scrimmage game. This will be the Annual Soap Night for the Panther Fans. Everyone should bring soap for the players to use to shower.

Let's all follow the Panthers to Jim Ned on Thursday night and show them we are ready to back them all the way.

Gorman Peanut Festival Children's Art Show

The Gorman Peanut Festival would like to invite you to the Gorman Children's Art Show. We will have the art show in conjunction with our annual Peanut Festival Saturday September 9, 1995. Our show will be open for all children up to 18 years of age. We ask that you observe the following guidelines.

- 1. Entries may be checked in Thursday at Senior Citizen Building in Gorman from 5:00 P.M. to 8:00 P.M.
2. Three entries per child. No Entry Fee.
3. All entries must be framed.
4. All entries are required to have name of picture, name of artist, age of artist, address of artist on back of each entry.
5. All entries must have wire hangers.
6. Entries will be judged by professional artist.
7. 1st, 2nd, 3rd, and 4th place ribbons will be awarded.
8. Late entries may be displayed but not judged.
9. Entries may be picked up at 5:00 p.m. Saturday.

If you have questions please contact Janet Sanders at 817-734-2417 (home) 817-734-2202 (work).



STRONG BLOCKING WORKOUT — Some of the Panthers offense and defensive teams are having a strong blocking drill during a workout on Tuesday afternoon. The blocking drill and practice is to prepare the Panthers for their first scrimmage Thursday.

Gorman Peanut Festival Craft Show

The Gorman Peanut Festival would like to invite you to our craft show being held in conjunction with the Peanut Festival on Saturday, Sept. 9, 1995. Our show will be open to all ages. We ask that you observe the following guidelines.

- 1. Entries are to be checked in Thursday at Senior Citizen Building in Gorman from 5 P.M. to 8 P.M.
2. No entry fee.
3. All entries are required to have your name, address, school grade and age on back of each entry.
4. Entries will be judged on Friday.
5. Late entries may be displayed but not judged.
6. Entries will remain on display Saturday, Sept. 9 and may be picked up at 5:00 P.M. Saturday.
7. 1st, 2nd, 3rd, and 4th place ribbons will be awarded.
8. Rosettes will be given to: Most Outstanding, Most Original, Most Creative.
9. Categories include: Floral, Clothing, Jewelry, Wood (Painted, Furniture, Woodburning), Ceramics, Soft Sculpture (Pillows, Dolls), Needle Work (Quilts), Embroidery, Cross Stitch and Dough Art.
10. Age Groups are: Pre-school (0-4 yrs.); Grade School (K-6th); Jr. High (7th - 8th grade); High School (9th - 12th grade); Adult.
11. If you would like to donate your entry to the Peanut Festival, it will be auctioned off during the Street Dance. If you plan on donating your entry please indicate "Donate" on the back of your entry.
12. Clothing should be on hangers.
If you have questions please contact Deann Powell at 817-734-3322.

Look Who's New It's A Boy For The William Rainey's

Kayla Rainey of Ft. Hood, Texas daughter of William and Shelly Rainey is proud to announce the arrival of her little brother, Trevor Ray Rainey. Trevor arrived on Tuesday, August 15, 1995 at 7:32 p.m. weighing 8 lbs. and 7 oz. and 20 inches long. He was born in the Darnell Army Community Hospital.

Paternal grandparents are Denver and Alice Rainey of Gorman. Maternal grandparents are Barbara Pannell of Anna Texas and Tom Ishmael of Frisco. Great-grandparents are Frank and Fran Pannell of Corsicana, Sadie Ishmael of Eastland, Garland and Gladys Fraley of Gorman, Lorenzo and Mabel Perez of Gorman.

NEWS

Gerald and Beth Blakely of Cranfills Gap, Gary, Steve and Ginger Rhymes from Abilene, Anthony, Becky and Tyler of Lott, Jim Ray Cop of Rising Star visited with Mozelle Rhymes Sunday for an early Birthday celebration

Enrollment Up

Total enrollment in elementary and high school at Gorman is 430. This is up from the 413 pupils that school ended with in the spring. It is expected by the school administration that enrollment will still increase after Labor Day.

All students are encouraged to be in school everyday. Not only will students be engaged in learning while they are in attendance but the higher the attendance, the greater the funding the school receives from the state. Each day a student is absent from school, the state withholds a percentage of money for that child's education.

Resulting from Senate Bill I, if a student has an appointment with a licensed health care person, is in attendance for part of the school day, and brings a note from that health care person, he/she will not be counted absent for school attendance purposes.

GOOBER GOURMET COOK-OFF RULES

The Goober Gourmet Cook-Off will be held during the Gorman Peanut Festival again this year. Rules and regulations are as follows:

- All entries must have at least one form of peanuts (i.e., peanut oil, peanut butter, peanuts) in the recipe.
Please submit entry on/in disposable container with name on bottom.
Please include a recipe.
All entries will be auctioned off during the festival.
Entries must be entered in the building between the Gorman Progress and Senior Citizens Building.
Categories are: Cakes, Pies, Candy, Cookies, Snacks, Breads, and Salads.
Age groups include: Pre-School, Grade School, Junior High, High School, and Adult.
There will be ribbons given in each category and age group for First, Second and Third Places. A plaque will be presented to the "Best of Show".
Judge of the Bake-Off will be Lisa Hogan. For more information call Nelda Mauney at 734-2821

Gorman Housing Authority Eligible For HUD Grant

Congressman Charles Stenholm (D-Stamford) announced that the Gorman Housing Authority is eligible for a grant in the amount of \$71,780 from the Department of Housing and Urban Development's (HUD) Comprehensive Improvement Assistance Program.

Gorman Housing Authority Eligible For HUD Grant

The funds will be used by the housing authority to improve the physical condition of existing public housing developments and to upgrade the management and operation of these developments to assure continued availability and service to low-income families for a period of twenty years.



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#6527 1990 Buick LeSabre <b>\$241.12*****</b> \$9,250 Cash Price	#6695 1992 Olds Cutless Cierra <b>\$199.85 per mo.***</b> \$9,500 Cash Price	1992 Chev Ext Cab Sportside 49,000 Miles <b>\$305.66 per mo.***</b> \$14,000 Cash Price
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#6686 1992 Pontiac Grand AM 4-dr <b>\$176.34 per mo.***</b> \$8,500 Cash Price	#5934 1991 Chevrolet Lumina Eurosport <b>\$182.62 ****</b> \$8,000 Cash Price	#6754 1993 Ford Ranger 29,000 miles <b>\$172.94 **</b> \$9000 Cash Price
#6731 1992 Chevrolet S-10 46,000 miles <b>\$158.70 * * *</b> \$7750 Cash Price	#6653 1991 Chevrolet Suburban <b>\$309.15 per mo.****</b> \$12,850 Cash Price	#4930 1990 Chevrolet Astro Van 66,000 Miles <b>\$284.97*****</b> \$10,750 Cash Price
1991 Toyota Tercel 47,000 miles <b>\$143.48 * * * *</b> \$6500 Cash Price	#4937 1992 Oldsmobile Achieva 4-Door 34,000 Miles <b>\$193.97***</b> \$9,250 Cash Price	#6603 1989 Chevrolet Astro Van <b>\$264.42 per mo.*****</b> \$7,750 Cash Price
#4885 1993 Oldsmobile Achieva SC 2-Door 17,000 Miles <b>\$259.41**</b> \$13,000 Cash Price	#6426 1992 Chev 1/2 Ton Xcab Conversion 64,000 Miles <b>\$282.14***</b> \$13,000 Cash Price	#6262 1992 Chevrolet S-10 4-Door Blazer 63,000 Miles <b>\$293.90***</b> \$13,500 Cash Price
#6331 1994 Olds Cutlass Cierra 3,500 Miles <b>\$276.19*</b> \$13,850 Cash Price	#6473 1992 Chevrolet Cavalier 4-Dr RS <b>\$123.43 * * *</b> \$6,250 Cash Price	#6773 1992 Chevrolet 1/2 Ton Reg. Cab 63,000 miles <b>\$246.87 * * *</b> \$11,500 Cash Price
#6367 1993 Oldsmobile 88 Royale LS 48,000 Miles <b>\$299.40**</b> \$14,850 Cash Price	#5694 1992 Chevrolet 3/4 Ton Ext. Cab 4x4 <b>\$305.66 * * *</b> \$14,000 Cash Price	#6676 1993 Chevrolet Cavalier 12,000 miles <b>\$162.13 * *</b> \$8500 Cash Price
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### KOKOMO NEWS

ZELDA JORDAN -- PHONE 639-2289

The Kokomo Baptist Church and the Kokomo Family, Community and Education Club will join together for their annual picnic and ice cream supper on Saturday, August 26th at the Kokomo picnic area. The festivities will start in the afternoon, around 4:00 p.m., but if you can't be there at 4:00 come anytime you can. The barbecue brisket meal with all the trimmings, finished off with cookies and ice cream, will be served around 6:00 p.m.

There will be games played with lots of fun and fellowship. Come and bring someone with you. Visitors are always welcome.

The church will furnish the brisket, cooked by Bro. Clarence Wilson, and the cold drinks. The FCE Club will furnish the ice cream. Others may bring beans, potato salad, slaw pickles, onions, tomatoes, canteloupe, or cookies.

Special music at the Kokomo Baptist Church on Sunday morning was rendered by the choir: Helen and Woodrow Browning, Joe and Glynda Bond, Oren and Norma Webb, Kay Snider, Leona Wilson, Jimmy Little and a visitor, Joyce Gilbert of Houston, with Wynelle Brown at the piano. Other visitors were Rick and Pat Fuller of Lewisville, Wesley and Kevin Fuller of Abilene, Juanita Fuller, and Steve and Kim Gilbert and Elisabeth of San Antonio.

Nancy Hendricks and Zelda Jordan attended the revival services at the Carbon Baptist Church on Tuesday night.

Christopher Lewis of Ennis visited recently from Tuesday until Sunday with his grandparents, Delmon and Joyce Eaves. His mother and brother, Deliah and Jonathan came for a visit on Saturday and Christopher returned home with them.

Amber Craddock of Comanche and her granddaughter, Barbara Jo visited with Hope Joiner on Friday.

Lucille Joiner of Stephenville came for her mother, Hope Joiner on Sunday afternoon and took her to Stephenville for an afternoon visit.

Rick and Pat Fuller of Lewisville and Wesley and Kevin Fuller of Abilene spent the weekend with Claude and Juanita Fuller.

Bill and Glenda Priest of Abilene spent Friday night with Zelda Jordan. Johnny Eaves also visited with them.

Zelda Jordan visited with Linda and Kenneth Whitley in De Leon on Saturday afternoon.

Visitors with Berniece Rodgers during the weekend were Joyce Gilbert of Houston, Steve and Kim Gilbert and Elizabeth of San Antonio, John and La Tonne Rodgers and Billie Stacy of Carbon, Bob and Kathy Rodgers of Brownwood and grandson, Mason Rodgers of Early, Mike and Cindy Rodgers, Eric and Lisa of Cisco and Ima Brown and Jana Grice of Gorman.

Carolyn Little took her mother, Lois Collins to the hospital in Abilene on Wednesday for her chemotherapy. Lois remained in the hospital until Friday and a granddaughter, Caye Mauney and baby son Zane of Seymour went to Abilene on Friday to bring Lois home, and enjoyed a visit with Lois and Dean. Judy West of McGreagor and Jennifer and Lonnie Ayers and Colton of Stephenville visited with Lois and Dean on Saturday. Lois's nephew, Guy and Robin Ellis of Texas A&M were recent visitors with the Collinses.

Visitors with Nancy Hendricks were Sylvia Buchanan of Stephenville, Doris Bradshaw of Gorman, Ruth Bryant, Hope Joiner and Zelda Jordan.

John and Troy Scitern and their daughter, Laverne Carr of Lake Whitney left last Tuesday afternoon for Grand Junction, Colo. upon learning that Troy's brother, Lester Rich was in critical condition in a Grand Junction hospital with internal bleeding. The doctors were able to stop the bleeding and his is home now. John, Troy and Laverne arrived back home in the early morning hours on Monday this week.

We extend get well wishes to Mr. Rich.

#### CHRISTOPHER LEWIS HONORED ON 6TH BIRTHDAY

Randy and Deliah Lewis of Ennis honored their son, Christopher with a birthday celebration on his 6th birthday, August 19, at the Lake Bardwell Park near Ennis. The children enjoyed swimming.

Hot dogs, cold drinks, watermelon, cantelop, cold drinks, and birthday cake was enjoyed by all attending including Christopher's brother, Jonathan, grandparents, Delmon and Joyce Eaves of Kokomo and many other relatives and friends.

The two birthday cakes were baked by Joyce Eaves. One was in the form of a baseball with the miniature coach and players on top and had six baseball bat candles. The other cake was in the form of a guitar.

Delmon and Joyce Eaves spent Saturday night with the Lewises and then visited in Mansfield on Sunday with Margaret and Preston Eaves. Mark Eaves was away at a golf equipment show. The Delmon Eaves spent Sunday night in Granbury. Sheryl Burgess and son Grant of Granbury came by for a visit with Joyce and Delmon at their motel room.

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# HERITAGE MANOR NEWS

NANCY HENDRICKS - REPORTING

The next Birthday Party will be Thursday August 31, at 2:00 P.M. There will be entertainment and refreshments. Birthday honorees are Rosa Bennett, Ruth Broom, Jess Hallmark and Lorene Jay.

Some of Sylvia Hodges guests were Eloise Lewis, Diantha Dennis, Dicey Scitem of Desdemona, Rosetta Carlton, Denzel and Fay Ables.

On Sunday morning Rev. Ron Carroll of First Baptist Church were Cynthia Earles, Effie Mae Brown, S.D. Gilmore, Ollie Halcomb.

Some of Mary Williams guests were Fred and Mary McMullen of Melrose, N.M., Maxine Frasier, Nancy Hendricks, Virginia Turner, Doyle, Christi and Everette Carden of Lubbock.

On Sunday those coming from the Kokomo Baptist Church were Jimmy Little, Nancy Hendricks, Zeldia Jordan, Hope Joiner, Joe and Glynda Bond. Residents were Cynthia Earles, Varona Taylor, Jess Hallmark, Dorothy Beaty, Ruby Vandergriff, Veno Hale, Orelena Perdue and guest Irene Hallmark.

Some of Ruby Nowlins guests were Loyd Nowlin of Arlington and a grand daughter Paula of Arlington, Chris Funderburk of De Leon.

Cynthia Earles received word that a niece had passed away. She was Virginia (Huff) Perry of San Saba and a former resident of Gorman.

Some of S.D. Gilmore's guests were Linda Warren, Louise Hallwood, Effie Mae Brown.

On Sunday at 4:00 P.M. those coming from the Church of Christ were Billy and Janda Taylor, A.B. and Debbie Scypher. Residents were, Dorothy Beaty, Ollie Halcomb, Effie Mae Brown, S.D. Gilmore, Cynthia Earles, Orelena Perdue and Ruby Vandergriff.

Some of Frank Skiles guests were M.L. Skiles, Ron and Nina Skiles, Andrea Skiles, Micheal and Virginia Johnson.

On Thursday Mary Ficklen of Desdemona read from Wm. Bennetts book, "The Book of Virtues". Enjoying the reading were Ora Mae Atchison, Effie Mae Brown, S.D. Gilmore, Cynthia Earles, Ollie Halcomb, Veno Hale,

Jess Hallmark, Iola Johnson, Travis Smith, Varona Taylor, Iris Smith, Ruby Vandergriff and Orelena Perdue and guest Irene Hallmark.

Mrs. Marvin Jones of Dublin visited her brother Eulon Perry.

Thursday Ina Scitem had bingo for Ollie Halcomb, Leotis Meadows, Iris Smith, Cynthia Earles, Veno Hale, Ruby Vandergriff, S.D. Gilmore, Effie Mae Brown, Iola Johnson, Ora Mae Atchison, Dorothy Beaty and Varona Taylor.

Some of Effie Mae Brown guests were Mary Ficklen of Desdemona, Louise Hollywood, and S.D. Gilmore.

On Friday morning those coming for the musical were Bernice Farley and Tola Bailey, Scott Hart, Raymond and Vivian Hart, Wynogene Smith, Bernard and Ann Keith, Roy and Randy Finley. Residents were Travis Smith, Orelena Perdue, Iola Johnson, Effie Mae Brown, S.D. Gilmore, Cynthia Earles, Veno Hale, Clayton Cook, Jess Roberts, Frank Skiles, Inez Rogers, Cleo Clement, Ora Mae Atchison, Ollie Halcomb, Annie Hale, and Ruby Nowlin.

Visiting Ollie Halcomb were David and Dena Halcomb.

We are happy to report Ina Mae Tarrance is home from the De Leon Hospital.

Some of Cynthia Earles guests were Carmell Chandler, Vardie and Fay Huff, Nancy Hendricks, Veno Hale, Denzel and Fay Ables.

On Monday morning those enjoying Art Class were Cynthia Earles, Iris Smith, Ollie Halcomb and Veno Hale. Some of Skinnie Lewis guests were Eloise Lewis, Vickie and Zane Harris of Abilene, Jim and Karen Bulerson, Phillip, Donna, Robert, and Sarah Lewis, Lue Rule Campbell, Carrie Car, Denzel and Fay Ables.

Monday Joan Fraley had bingo for Veno Hale, Cynthia Earles, Iola Johnson, Orelena Perdue, Ola Walker, Leotis Meadow, Varona Taylor, Effie Mae Brown, S.D. Gilmore and Iris Smith.

Some of Rosa Bennett and Ruth Brooms guests were Frankie Eakin, W.R. and Hazel Collins and Ray Broom of Eastland, Geneva Clint and Corey Bennett of Howley, James Ellen and Rachel Tucker of Odessa, Marvin

Dorsette of Lubbock, Dicey Scitem of Desdemona, Nancy Hendricks, Velma Grady, Velma Carr, Era Maupin, Juanita Fuller, Zeldia Jordan, Claude and Barbra Tucker, Eunice Love, S.D. Gilmore, Effie Mae Brown, Ruth Bryant.

Some of Clayton Cooks guests were Mike and Charlene King of Houston, Jim and Anna Jean Falls of Ft. Worth, Wayne and Yvonne Atchison, Kurt and Page Atchison, Carmell Chandler, Sheryl Everton, Fay Huff.

We sure appreciated the beautiful yard plants given to us from Lane and Cathy Marlow and transplanted by Tommy Cleere.

Some of Ina Mae Tarrance guests were Jimmy Morris, Cynthia Earles, Nancy Hendricks, Steve Vogel, Iola Johnson, Veno Hale, Wynogene and Travis Smith.

Some of Annie and Veno Hales guests were Jimmy Little, Nancy Hendricks, Ruth Bryant, Denzel and Fay Ables.

On Tuesday morning Betty Duke came and played the electric Keyboard for Ora Mae Atchison, Effie Mae Brown, S.D. Gilmore, Ollie Halcomb, Travis Smith, Cynthia Earles, Iris Smith, Clayton Cook, Veno Hale, Cleo Clement, Ollie Halcomb, Sylvia Hodges, Cleo Clement, Ollie Halcomb, Sylvia Hodges, Cleo Clement, Guests were Charlene (Cook) King of Houston, Fay Huff and Maranda Johnson.

Some of Cleo Clements guests were Dwayne Clements of Dallas, Shirley and Glen Clements Betty Sue Seaton.

On Tuesday afternoon those coming for the Sing-O-Long were Wanda Rainey, Denzel Albes, Nancy Hendricks, Fay Ables, Zeldia Jordan, W.R. and Hazle Collins, Ethel Weaver, Marjie Treadway, Ernestine Campbell, Dorothy Light, Ava Rodgers, Billie Stacy, Elizabeth Sandlin and R. Lee McDaniels. Residents were Dorothy Beaty, Ollie Halcomb, Orelena Perdue, Veno Hale, Effie Mae Brown, S.D. Gilmore, Travis Smith Varona Taylor, Iris Smith, Ruby Vandergriff, Ora Mae Atchison, and Inez Rogers.

Some of Pauline Loves guests were Bill and Mary Ann Lipps, Zack Robinson of Houston, Mayvis Lasater, Durwood Burgess.

Fay and Denzel Ables visited Ruth Broom, Rosa Bennett, Bill Simmons, Eulon Perry, Ola Walker, Lovenia Blair, Clayton Cook, Gertie Leeper, Inez Rogers, Ora Mae Atchison, Iola Johnson, Patty Whitehurst, Eulon Perry, Dorothy Beaty, Edna Richardson, Juanita Barham, Jess Richardson, Jess Hallmark, Ira Echols, Lorene Jay and Frank Skiles.

On Wednesday morning at 10:00 a.m. Rev. Richard Watson Pastor New Hope Baptist Church brought the devotional for Cynthia Earles, Effie Mae Brown, S.D. Gilmore, Iola Johnson, Ora Mae Atchison and Veno Hale.

Some of Lorene Jays guests were Brent Lasater, Mayvis Lasater and Lou Evelyn Rodgers of Midlothian.

On Thursday morning Ina had baseball games for Ollie Halcomb, S.D. Gilmore, Effie Mae Brown, Orelena Perdue, Ora Mae Atchison, Iris Smith and Varona Taylor.

Waldene Jones of Dublin visited her brother Eulon Perry.

On Thursday Ina Scitem took residents fishing on the patio. Reports were some strange "Fish". Those reporting a lot of fun were Dorothy Beaty, Effie Mae Brown, S.D. Gilmore, Veno Hale, Jess Hallmark, Ora Mae Atchison, Ollie Halcomb, Travis Smith, Cynthia Earles, Iris Smith, Varona Taylor, and Orelena Perdue.

Ina Reynolds visited her sister Iola Johnson on Tuesday.

## Stenholm Host FUNday Sept. 9

Congressman Charlie Stenholm will host FUNday on Saturday, September 9, 1995, at the Ericksdahl picnic grounds near Stamford. Festivities will begin at 4:30 P.M. following the County Fair in downtown Stamford.

The annual event draws people from all over the vast 17th Congressional District as well as other parts of Texas. The program includes a barbecue, musical entertainment, and drawings for flags, flown over the United States Capitol. The backdrop for the picnic will be the historic Bethel Lutheran Church, which was built by Swedish immigrants who settled in the area.

"I invite everyone to come and spend

the day in Ericksdahl," said Stenholm. "Cindy and I look forward to FUNday each year. It gives us a chance to meet new people and visit with old friends.

"FUNday also allows me to introduce some of my colleagues in Congress to the people of the 17th District. This way they will understand the

concerns of the people here as they consider important legislation back in Washington."

Tickets, which remain at \$10 per person, will be available at the gate. For more information, contact the Stenholm campaign office at 1-800-391-0704.



A banshee was an old woman in Irish legend, whose shrieks and wallings outside a house meant there was to be a death inside.

### 1995 Property Tax Rates in the City of Gorman

This notice concerns 1995 property tax rates for the City of Gorman. It presents information about three tax rates. Last year's tax rate is the actual rate the taxing unit used to determine property taxes last year. This year's effective tax rate would impose the same total taxes as last year if you compare properties taxed in both years. This year's rollback tax rate is the highest tax rate the taxing unit can set before taxpayers can start tax rollback procedures. In each case these rates are found by dividing the total amount of taxes by the tax base (the total value of taxable property) with adjustments as required by state law. The rates are given per \$100 of property value.

#### Last year's tax rate:

Last year's operating taxes	\$ 101,888
Last year's debt taxes	\$ -0-
Last year's total taxes	\$ 101,888
Last year's tax base	\$ 19,407,241
Last year's total tax rate	\$ .525 /\$100

#### This year's effective tax rate:

Last year's adjusted taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property)	\$ 101,760
(divide) This year's adjusted tax base (after subtracting value of new property)	\$ 23,476,475
(equals) This year's effective tax rate	\$ .43345 /\$100
(times) 1.03 = maximum rate unless unit publishes notices and holds hearings	\$ .44645 /\$100

#### This year's rollback tax rate:

Last year's adjusted operating taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property and adjusting for transferred function)	\$ 101,760
(divide) This year's adjusted tax base	\$ 23,476,475
(equals) This year's effective operating rate	\$ .43345 /\$100
(times) 1.08 = this year's maximum operating rate	\$ .46812 /\$100
(plus) This year's debt rate	\$ .00000 /\$100
(equals) This year's rollback rate	\$ .46812 /\$100

#### Schedule A Unencumbered Fund Balances

The following estimated balances will be left in the unit's property tax accounts at the end of the fiscal year. These balances are not encumbered by a corresponding debt obligation.

Type of Property Tax Fund	Balance
Maintenance & Operation	\$ -0-

#### Schedule B 1995 Debt Service NONE

This notice contains a summary of actual effective and rollback tax rates' calculations. You can inspect a copy of the full calculations at:

Gorman City Tax Office  
Gorman City Hall  
Gorman, Texas

Name of person preparing this notice: Steve Thomas, R.P.A.  
Title: Chief Appraiser  
Eastland CAD  
Date Prepared: August 16, 1995

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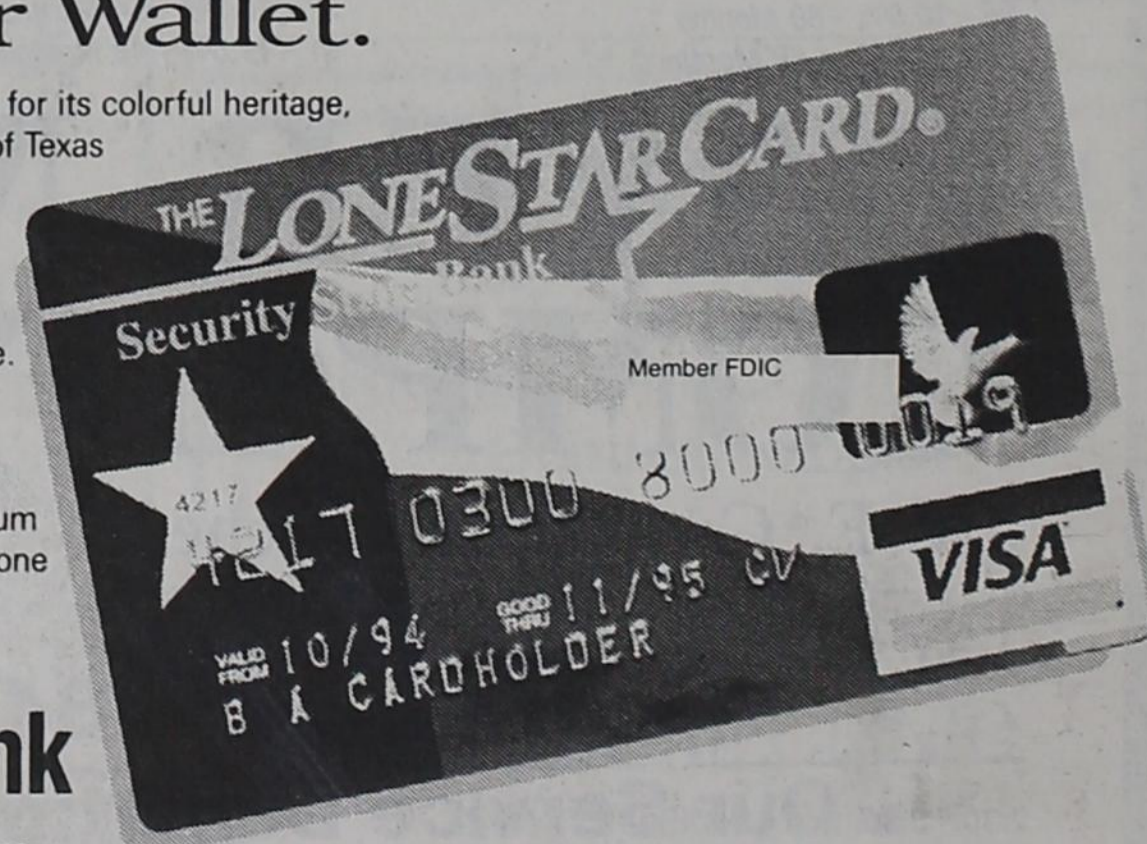
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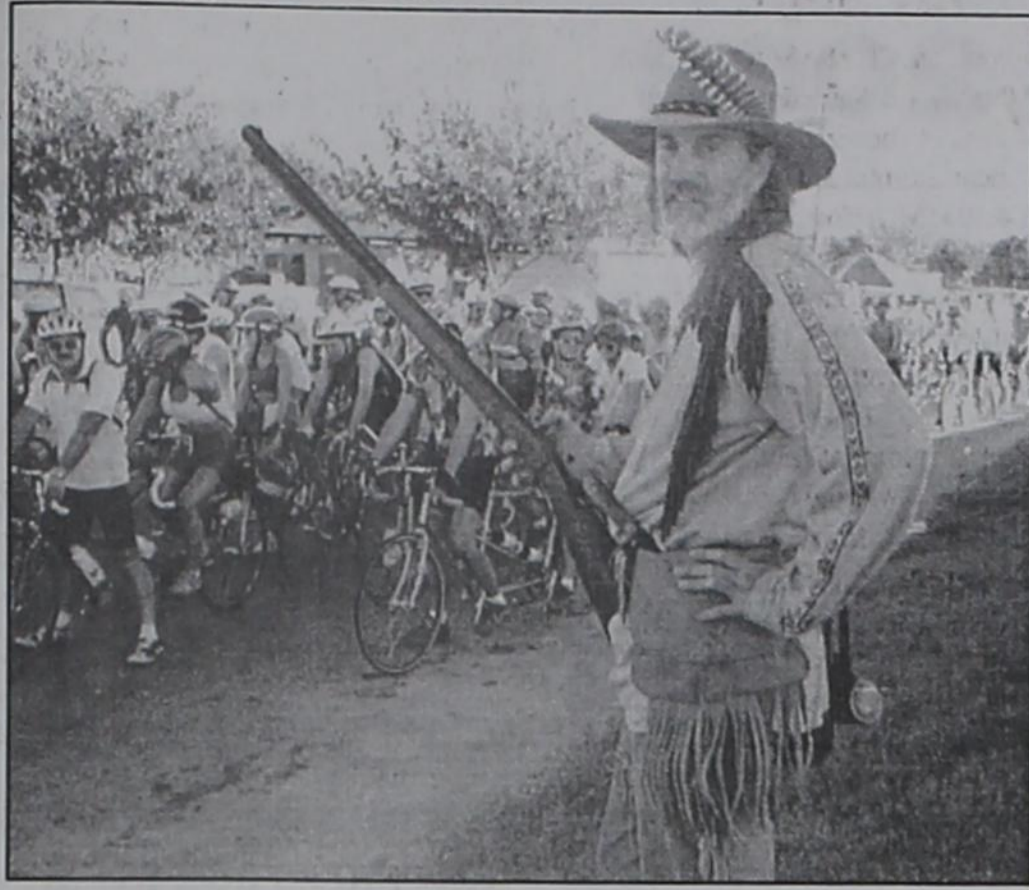
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The Second Melon Patch Tour had an increase of 143 bicycle riders over last year. A total of 380 bicycle riders registered to ride in the Melon Patch Tour '95, "A Peach of a Ride" on Saturday, August 12. It was a hot morning with a nice southerly breeze; however the cyclists had nothing but compliments and praises to offer about this year's ride. The Melon Patch Tour '95 registration and start/finish area was at the Senior Citizens Center and baseball park area on West Reynosa.

The riders started arriving on Friday and continued streaming into De Leon right up until the official start at 8:00 a.m. Saturday morning. A few of the riders even camped in tents overnight at the little league field; while other stayed in motorhomes at the lake, and other stayed in area motels or stayed in home with friends in the De Leon area. The bicycle riders came from everywhere, even out-of-state from Arizona, Colorado, California and Oklahoma and practically all over the state of Texas. One of the riders from London England was in Texas on business, heard about the ride from friends and drove from Houston with friends to be in De Leon on Saturday morning to ride the Melon Patch Tour and enjoy the activities of Golden Saturdays and the Peach & Melon Festival.

Riders selected their choice of routes of 6, 18, 30, 43, or 60 miles for the Melon Patch Tour '95. A total of 128 registered to ride the 60 miles, 80 registered for 43 miles, 76 for 30 miles, 45 riders selected the 18 mile route and 19 selected the 6 mile route. There were 33 registered riders who didn't specify the route they selected.

The San Angelo Bicycling Association, the host club for the event, had twelve ride marshals who rode the various routes to aid their fellow riders who needed assistance. These ladies and gentlemen carried extra tools and



supplies to fix flats, perform minor repairs and adjustments, extra water and first aid supplies.

There were experienced riders and not-so-experienced riders that participated in the Melon Patch Tour '95 from all walks of life and a wide range of age groups. The youngest rider was 5 years old and rode the 30 mile route

with his mother on a tandem bicycle. The senior rider of the group was a 69 year old gentleman from Hubbard who completed the 43 mile route.

The Melon Patch Tour is not a competitive ride, it is a tour therefore no timeclocks are used and no prizes are awarded for first, second, third place winners etc. Riders are encouraged to take their time, enjoy the scenery on the routes and take part in the refreshments at the frequent rest stops.

The Melon Patch Tour committee with the cooperation and participation of local and area merchants have merchandise drawings for the cyclists at each of the rest stops. This year approximately 300 prizes were given to the riders through these drawings are conducted from names selected from the pre-registered riders. A barbecue grill donated by Higginbothams, De Leon was awarded to Maggie Warpenburg from Austin, Texas. The first registration this year, Jeffrey Fulk, Cedar Hill, Texas was awarded a Dr. Pepper wristwatch donated by Dr. Pepper Bottling Co., Dublin. The first

Lamesa Man Drowns In Lake Thomas

The body of a Lamesa man was recovered Thursday at Lake Thomas, 20 miles southwest of here.

Gary Brown, 38, was reported missing to the Scurry County Sheriff's

Department about 6:30 p.m. Wednesday. He was reported to have been swimming with his wife and son near the White Island area when he disappeared.

His body was recovered at 3:50 p.m. Thursday.

The Scurry County Sheriff's Department said they were assisted in their rescue efforts by Scurry County Emergency Medical Service, the Snyder Fire Department and divers from Sweetwater and Midland.

There was no sign of foul play. Brown was taken to Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home in Snyder. Funeral arrangements are pending.

SCHOOL MENU

SCHOOL MENU BREAKFAST

- Monday - Cereal, Toast, Juice and Milk.
- Tuesday - Cinnamon Rolls, Juice and Milk.
- Wednesday - Eggs, Bacon, Toast, Juice and Milk.
- Thursday - Rice, Toast, Juice and Milk.
- Friday - Sausage, Biscuits, Gravy, Juice and Milk.

LUNCH

- Monday - Crispito, Red Beans, Salad, Fruit, Crackers and milk.
- Tuesday - Ham, Sweet Potatoes, Green Beans, Hot Rolls, Cake and milk.
- Wednesday - Taco Salad, cheese, lettuce, Ranch beans, Fruit, Spanish Rice and milk.
- Thursday - Fish, Macaroni and cheese, English Peas, Peaches, Honey, Hot

tandem bicycle registration, Clyde and Fran McKinney, Plano, received a gift basket of nuts and candies prepared and donated by Juanita Gray. The farthest in state preregistered rider, Mike Fisher, Webster, Texas, was given a book, "Cycling in Texas" donated by Ed Swan, Euless, a writer and avid bicyclist. The farthest out-of-state pre-registered rider, Bobby Frasier, North Hollywood, California was awarded an Dr. Pepper wristwatch donated by the Dublin Dr. Pepper Bottling company.

Over 120 local and area merchants and individuals contributed to the success of the Melon Patch Tour in various degrees of sponsorship and donation of prizes and supplies in support of the bicycle riders. Additionally; over 200 volunteers donated their time and talents in the preparation, planning, registration, parking, traffic control, and rest stops for the bicycle riders.

The Melon Patch Tour committee has recieved over 50 written comments from the riders, virtually all of which provide nothing but "rave reviews" about the Melon Patch Tour. The most frequent comments are about how friendly, courteous and helpful everyone, from the merchants, the Melon Patch Tour volunteers, and the people, were in De Leon and how much they enjoyed the ride and their stay in DeLeon. The riders say they will return next year, bring friends and enjoy the Melon Patch Tour, Golden Saturdays and the De Leon Peach & Melon Festival.

The Gorman Peanut Festival Committee and the Gorman Volunteer Fire Dept. provided a vital service in the success of the Melon Patch Tour. Approximately 280 bicycle riders traveled through Gorman on one of the three routes that passed through the city. The Peanut Festival Committee provided excellent support to the bicycle riders in manning the rest stop at the Birdsong Dryers on Hwy. 6 East. The Gorman Volunteer Fire Dept. did a superb job in providing traffic control along the bicycle routes through the city of Gorman. Many other local merchants and individuals provided various measures of support for the Melon Patch Tour '95.

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# Graduating Class of 2008

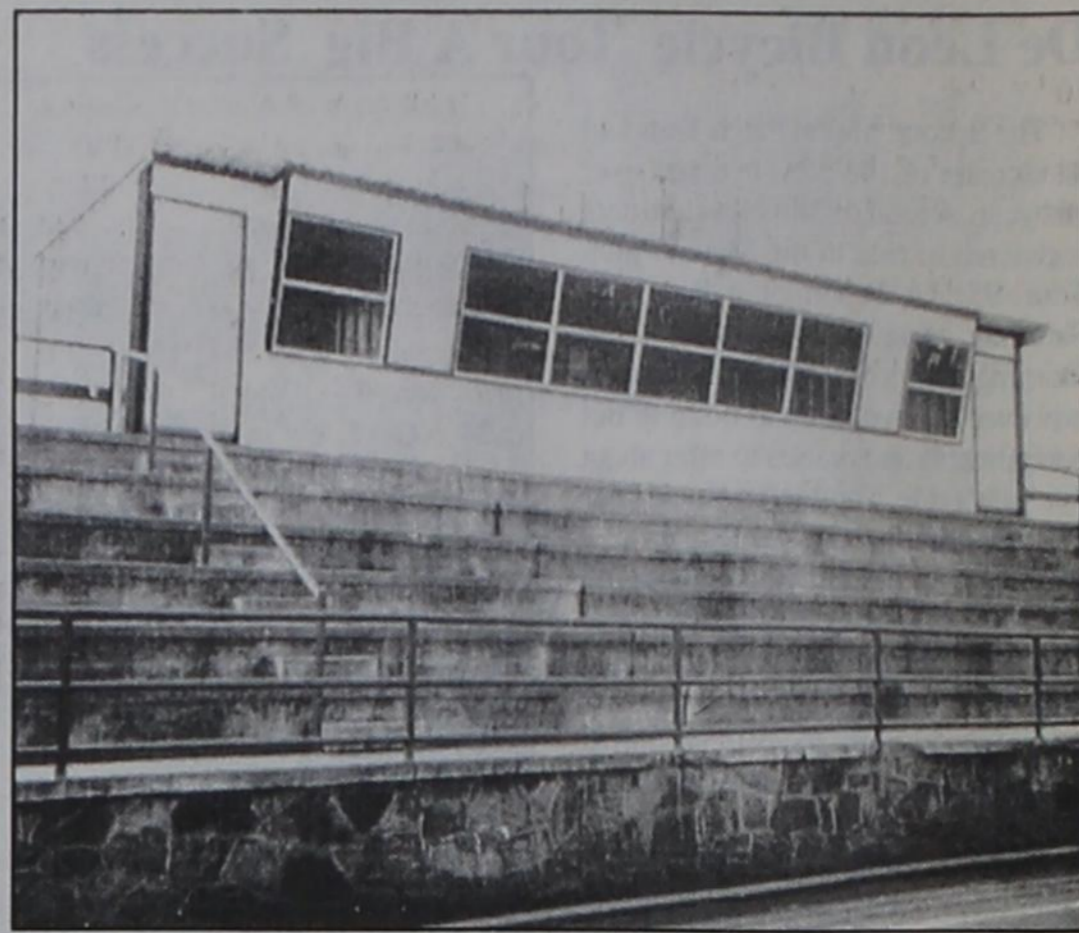


Jerry Brown's Class

Thirty-seven students entered Kindergarten at Maxfield Elementary for the 1995-96 School year. These students will be graduating from high school in the year 2008.



Mary Reeves Class



**NEW PRESS BOX READY** — The newly completed Press Box is all fixed up and ready for the upcoming football season. New sound equipment has also been installed. It is heated and air conditioned.



**POST HOLE DIGGER AT WORK** — The City of Gorman crew is shown drilling post holes for the post to hold the guard rails around the festival park area across from the Senior Citizens Center. They will also be filling in the holes where the cement has been broken out. The post hole digger is courtesy of Birdsong Peanuts.

## Saying Goodbye To A Landmark



With the above destruction of the old Key Cotton Gin located 1 block south of downtown Gorman, the city is in the process of improving the area used to have the Carnival and other booths during the Peanut Festival held each year in September. The demolition work is being done by John Moss and Dalton Watson. The old concrete and other debris will be buried on the spot that is being cleared.



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## FFA Booster Club Baby Contest Slated Here Sept. 9

The Gorman FFA Boosters are accepting entrants for the Annual Beautiful Baby Contest to be held Saturday, September 9th during the Peanut Festival.

Each contestant will receive a trophy and will ride on a float in the Festival Parade on Saturday morning.

Age divisions for babies include:

- Newborn to One Year
- One Year to Two Years
- Two Years to Three Years
- Three Years to Four Years
- Four Years old

To enter call Linda Stephens at 893-6766, Vicky Majors at 734-3276 or Marsha Shackelford at 734-3356, or Sue Ann Tarver at 734-3218.

Deadline for entries is August 26th. Cans should be out no earlier than August 26th and should be picked up by September 9th.

Contest entrants will also be selling tickets on a drawing for a Toy Tractor and Trailer and \$100.00 of Groceries to be given away at the Festival.

**CAPITOL COMMENT**

U.S. SENATOR  
**KAY BAILEY HUTCHISON**

## Taking Medicare into the 21st Century

Like many other well intentioned government programs, Medicare is costing much more than Congress ever anticipated.

Congress initiated Medicare in 1965 and since then it has served millions of Americans, helping the elderly and disabled pay their medical bills.

But by 1990, Medicare was costing seven times as much as was originally projected. Next year it will begin spending its surpluses, and at its current rate of growth, Medicare will be bankrupt within seven years.

So Congress faces the daunting task of devising a way to save Medicare while revamping the program to take it securely into the next century.

Earlier this year, the Clinton administration outlined the problem: the survival of Medicare requires either an immediate 44 percent increase (this is not a misprint) in payroll taxes, or an immediate decrease of Medicare spending of 30 percent.

To me, such a solution is akin to curing the disease with a medicine that is fatal to the patient. Nor do I believe we should raise taxes to prolong the current antiquated program.

Medicare's benefit structure is as unsound as its finances are. The benefits it offers compare unfavorably to most of those offered by the private sector. No private-sector health plan is sold in Medicare's artificially divided — Part A, Part B — fashion.

Congress' 1996 budget resolution would address Medicare's short-term funding dilemma by limiting its rate of growth to 6.4 percent annually. Note, please, that expenditures in this program would continue to grow by more than 6 percent a year. But in the long run, there will have to be substantive structural changes made in Medicare to guarantee its survival.

Our first and principle concern is ensuring that Medicare beneficiaries continue to have access to quality health care. A number of remedies have been suggested, the guiding principle of which is that reform must come through the creation of incentives, not by tightening controls, curtailing choice or increasing government rules.

To start with, beneficiaries must be given incentives to help eliminate waste and fraud. We must simplify the program, eliminating the reams of paperwork and red tape that are driving up costs. We need to get rid of the bureaucracy-driven, rigid structure of today's Medicare, and create instead a flexible program that can be tailored to individuals' needs.

Medicare must be converted from an open-ended program to one that instead makes a financial contribution toward the health-care costs of beneficiaries and allows them to choose among several plans — including the standard Medicare benefit package with which they're already familiar. Medicare beneficiaries should have the same range of options offered to people in the private and public sectors.

We cannot bury our heads in the sand and avoid the necessity of Medicare reform. We have to face up to this challenge in order to preserve a system upon which so many of us depend.

## CARBON NEWS

Visiting with Bro. Jim and Ann Poe last week were Barbara McCrary of San Angelo and Wade and Allene Pitts of San Antonio and Hersey and Margaret Barnett of Quilan.

The Revival last week was enjoyed by all. There was lots of good preaching and singing, and we had visitors from Eastland, Cisco, Kokomo, Comanche and Gorman, Putnam and California. We welcome all visitors.

Visiting with coy and Jessie Mangum last week were Ruth Green of Rising Star. Elizabeth Sandlin, Mary Lou Hodge, R. Lee McDaniel, Ruth Knowles of Carbon, Cassie Eakers, Dena Pipkin, Ruth Livingston and Bro. Joe Philpott of Cisco. Visiting on Sunday were Coy Jr. and Andrew Mangum of Ft. Worth.

Jennifer and Clint Cecil of Eastland, and Ima Brown of Gorman and Maxine Morgan visited with Billie Stacy Sunday afternoon and evening.

Dale Jackson of Bryan came in Sunday evening for a few days visit with his mother Dorothy Jackson.

Jerry Krause had knee surgery in Abilene last week, and is not getting around too well, we wish him a speedy recovery.

Marvin and Gladys Hale were in Ft. Worth Thursday to see their new great granddaughter Kaylee Cox. She was born August the 14th to Terry and Tonya Cox and Weighed 7 lbs 14oz. She has a little brother Clay and other grandparents are Peggy and Charlie

Stephenson and Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Cox of Ft. Worth. And great grandmother Waldene Stephenson of Carbon. We send Congratulations to all.

Euell and Jenoise Allison of Carbon are very proud of their granddaughters. They are the daughters of Alvie and Linda Allison of Arlington.

Adrienne Allison, of Arlington a student of Dr. Edwina Thedford, Quachita Baptist University, Arkadelphia, AR, and Dr. Angela Cofer, Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Ft. Worth, were in a Soprano Recital, Thursday August 17th, at Tate Springs Baptist Church in Arlington. She was accompanied by Robin Griffin the pianist at Tate Springs Church.

Those attending from Carbon were Euell and Jenoise Allison, Wynelle Brown, and Alice Ann Lowrie.

Alvie and Linda Allison transported Stacia to Brownwood Friday where she is enrolled at Howard Payne College. Then Saturday they took Adrienne to Arkadelphia, AR.

Jenise Allison and R Lee McDaniel attended the Lovell reunion at Proctor Saturday.

Ruth Knowles and R Lee McDaniel joined the Super Senior Citizens at the Methodist Church at Eastland Saturday for a supper and visit.

Ruth Knowles and R Lee Mc Daniel were in Abilene Wednesday to see the eye Dr. and visit Mr. and Mrs. Leao McDaniel.

**Eastland County Crisis Center**

**1-800-588-3339**

"Opinion has caused more trouble on this little earth than plagues or earthquakes."

—Voltaire.

## DESDEMONA NEWS

VONNIE GUTHERY - PHONE 758-2665

Desdemona Monthly Musical will be Saturday, August 26 at the Community Center. You are invited to attend for some good music, good food and visiting with your friends and neighbors.

Clyde (Wilhite) Paul of Carbondale, Kansas recently moved to Desdemona. We welcome her back "Home". His sister the late Edith Cherry also attended school here. They are cousins to "Rip" Arthur in Coahoma. "Rip" was in the class of 1939 with Mary Alice (Brown) Ficklen.

This reporter has received letters and phone calls from several former students and friends - all expressing their appreciation to the Homecoming Committee for their work on making Saturday, August 12 an enjoyable day. They enjoyed the program, food and visiting with their former classmates and friends.

Georgie Whitlock suffered a stroke this past week and spent a few days in the Eastland Memorial Hospital. We send our "Get well Wishes" to her.

Clifton and Renee Landers and boys, Kevin, Dustin and Jerry of Watauga visited the past week-end with his mother, Mary Lou Landers.

Karen Eaves was in Dallas last Sunday to Attend a one day school that is required by the Vision Center where she works at Wal-Mart Super Center in Stephenville. She will attend this one day school each month for several months.

Aubrey Cherry of Albuquerque, New Mexico passed away August 14, 1995.

He was a former resident and attended his grade school years in Desdemona. His sister the late Edith Cherry also attended school here. They are cousins to "Rip" Arthur in Coahoma. "Rip" was in the class of 1939 with Mary Alice (Brown) Ficklen.

## 4H NEWS

**CALF SCRAMBLES OFFERS YOUTH A START IN THE BEEF BUSINESS**

4-H and FFA youth alike have an excellent opportunity for assistance in starting a beef cattle operation. Stock Show Calf Scrambles are not new to club youth, however, today more and more youth can take a successful bid in a scramble due to the added shows to the list. Houston, Fort Worth, San Antonio each have a calf scramble for youth to participate in.

A short list of requirements include: Ages: Participants must have reached their 12th but not their 18th birthday on January 1, 1996, and not be enrolled beyond their junior year in high school. -A 4-Her CANNOT scramble under both 4-H and FFA -Contestants will be selected only by CEAs or ASTs -Must keep and submit monthly records upon a successful catch, show the beef or dairy heifer at the following year's show.

For more information of Stock Show Calf Scrambles contact Davy Vestal, County Extension Agent-Ag, Eastland County Extension Office at 629-1093.