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Debbie McInroe

Special Birthday Award Bobby Rich



1. Coby Caton; 2. Harvey Gebhard; 3. Gary Buchanan; 4. Debbie McInroe; 5. Joe Beach; 6. David McInroe; 7. Robert Perry; 8. Richard Owen; 9. Justin Underwood; 10. Brian Miller



1. Leann Mulloy; 2. Jean Gebhard; 3. Clay Keller; 4. David Mulloy; 5. James Swinford; 6. Brian Miller; 7. Gary Buchanan; 8. Robert Perry; 9.



Pinto Beans

Dan Higginbotham; 10. Joe Beach



Brisket

1. Debbie McInroe; 2. David McInroe; 3. Robert Perry; 4. Richard Owen; 5. James Swinford; 6. Harvey Gebhard; 7. Larry Mayberry; 8. Brian Miller; 9. David Mulloy; 10. Clay Keller

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1. James Swinford; 2. Richard Owen; 3. Justin Underwood; 4. Brian Miller; 5. Dan Higginbotham; 6. Debbie McInroe; 7. Larry Mayberry; 8.

Robert Perry; 9. Gary Buchanan; 10. David Mulloy

The Shin Oak trophy were made be the Gorman High Ag Class with the help of Shawn Boles.

New Hours for Eastland County Tax Office

Due to budget cuts, the Eastland County Tax Office will be working under new hours beginning October 1, 2004.

The office hours will be from 8 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. and will close daily for lunch from 11:30 a.m. until 12:30 p.m.

Letter from a Visitor

To whom it may concern:

I wish to thank all of the good folks that were involved in the Peanut Festival. I have been to numerous tractor shows, and I have never been more welcome to any event than what I experienced at your event. I found that you folks know how to organize a great event.

With your permission, I am looking forward to attending next years of Carbon High School to Meet

Thank you one and all;

s/Roger Goertemiller Mineral Wells

Boy Scout Rally

6:30 p.m. - Thursday, September 23rd At Senior Citzens Center in Gorman Contact Tracy Carter For More Info - 254-734-4366

Panthers Open This Week; Host De Leon On October 1st

The Gorman Panthers thrilled a large home-coming crowd with a overwhelming 55 to 18 victory over the Covington Owls on September 10th. The Panthers scored almost at will with the reserves taking over later in the game. The Big Red defense held the Owls out of the end zone most of the night and really plaed stingy defense most all the way.

The Homecoming crowd were entertained at the intermission and the crowning of the honorees was especially enjoyed by the fans.

Then on Friday the 17th the Panthers hosted the Perrin-Whitt Pirates and were a bit sluggish after the overwhelming win over Covington. The final score was 18-13 in favor of Perrin-Whitt. The Panthers were hurt via the fumble route which hurt their chances for victory at crucial times.

The Big Red defense did a fairly good job against the Pirates offense, but were a little lax on their passing defense as the Perrin-Whitt pass receivers were open on numerous occassions, allowing them to get first downs in crucial drives to hurt the Panthers cause. But a few bad breaks really hurt the Panthers at crucial times during the battle.

The Panthers will have a Open Date this week in preparation of hosting the De Leon Bearcats at Brogdon Field on October 1st. This is the first time in many years that the Bearcats and Panthers have played each other. So this one should be a good battle. Come on out and back the Panthers to victory.

Go Get 'Em Big Red.



Panther defense hold an Pirates for short yardage in game action Friday. Pictured are Gil Cochrane, David Ibarra and other Panthers.



John Torres is shown scampering out of the reach of the Pirates in game action Friday night.

The 1945, 1946, 1947 and 1948 Classes

The 1945, 1946, 1947 and 1948 classes of Carbon High School will meet for their class reunions on Friday evening, October 1, 2004 at 5:30 P.M. at ZJ's Steakhouse in Gorman.

Anyone who was ever in these classes is invited and urged to attend. Family and friends are welcome. The meal will be ordered from the menu individually.

If you need more information please call Zelda Jordan at 254-639-2289.

Let's all get together and have a wonderful time visiting with our classmates, and then plan to attend the Golden Exes Reunion at Carbon on Saturday, October 2.

ITEMS OF INTEREST

VET Science 4-H Project - 4th Tuesday each Month. Technology Center / Gorman Community Center. Contact Lee or Amy Wood at 254-734-2973.

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 - Amy Wood - 734-2973.

FBC LUNCHEON The First Baptist Church in Gorman is having a FREE LUNCH for CHILDREN and PARENTS of ages preschool thru high school. The luncheon will be after Sunday morning services on September 26. Everyone is Welcome.

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. Bob Wilkerson, Master — Pat Moseley, Secretary.

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, PO Box 711, Gorman, Texas 76454, or American State Bank, Gorman, Texas 76454.

Joiners Celebrate 65th Wedding Anniversary



E.H. (Pete) and Vera Joiner, of Gorman, will observe their 65th wedding anniversary on Saturday, September 25, 2004, from 3:00-4:30 p.m. at the Farmers & Merchants Bank Community Room in DeLeon.

Pete Joiner and the former Vera Barker were married on September 23, 1939 at 3:00 p.m. in Rising Star. Since that time, they have resided in Gorman and have lived in the home they built in 1950 for 54 years. They are both retired peanut farmers, but still actively maintain their farm, raise cattle, hunt and enjoy spending time with their family. On June 8, 1941, Pete and Vera were blessed with the arrival of their only child, Harvey Don Joiner. Harvey Don passed away in August 1982.

Their grandchildren Shane & Kelly (Joiner) Stone of College Station, and Kael and Julie Joiner of Eastland, along with their great-grandchildren, Makenzie Stone, Seth Joiner, Jaxon Stone and Samuel Joiner would like to invite all family and friends to attend and help them honor their grandparents with this glorious celebration.

Week of Sept. 27

Breakfast

Monday--Cereal, milk, juice Tuesday--Oatmeal, toast, milk, juice Wednesday--Blueberry muffins, milk, juice Thursday--Ham, eggs, biscuits, milk, juice Friday--Sausage, biscuits, gravy, milk, juice

Lunch

Monday--Ham, pinto beans, macaroni/cheese, banana pudding, milk-Tuesday--Soft Tacos, rice, refried beans, milk Wednesday--Pizza, salad, orn, mix fruit, milk

Thursday--Corndogs, Jello, fruit, pork-n-beans, milk Friday--Hamburgers, fries, milk

Obituary Ollie Lorene Halcomb

Ollie Lorene Halcomb, 97, of Gorman, died on Thursday, September 16, 2004 at Heritage Manor Nursing Home. Services were Saturday, September 18, 2004 at the Nowlin Funeral Home Chapel in DeLeon officiated by David Halcomb, assisted by Denver Rainey. Burial was in the Oaklawn Cemetery in Gorman.

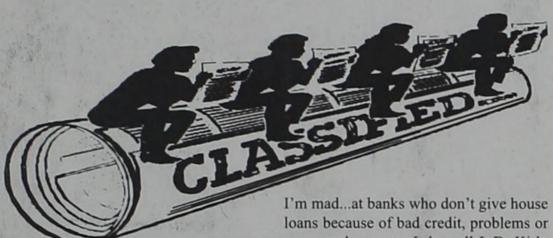
Mrs. Halcomb was born on February 2, 1907 in Clairemont, Texas to the late B.L. Glenn and Orra L. Stuart. She married Ernest Robert Halcomb on January 16, 1940 in Lubbock. She was a homemaker, retired minister Pentecostal Church of God, member Full Gospel Lighthouse in DeLeon and had resided in the DeLeon area for 25 years.

Survivors include her son David Halcomb of Waxahachie; two daughters, Ruth Nicks of Onalaska, TX and Doris Kopp of Paxton Lake, Alaska; host of grandchildren and several great-grandchildren.

Preceded by husband Ernest Halcomb in 1995; son Bobby Taylor; infant son Phillip Halcomb; twin daughters Donna Jean and Mona Dene; one brother and five sisters.

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School News

Monday, September 27 - Band Practice - 7:00-9:00 p.m. Tuesday, September 28 - Volleyball - Evant Thursday, September 30 - Gorman vs DeLeon Jr. High -there-6:00 p.m. Friday, October 1 - Gorman vs DeLeon - here - 7:30 p.m. Saturday, October 2 - Volleyball - 10:00 a.m. - here

Relay for Life

The Relay for Life Kick-off Party will be on October 3, 2004 at the Great Escape Skating Rink in Eastland from 2-4 p.m. Skating is free, but there will be a charge for rollerblades. Children must be accompanied by a parent. There will be lots of food and fun. There will be prizes for early paid team registration. Get your team together and help make this a great year for Relay for Life.

Call Cheri Troutman at 734-2668 or e-mail troutman@cctc.net for more information.

Thank You

We would like to Thank everyone for their prayers, visits, phone calls, food and many acts of kindness while Dad was in the hospital and since we have been home. We especially appreciate all of our many friends who have come by to visit and help out since we have been home.

Lloyd Glasson & children

Thank You

A sincere thank you to everyone for all the love and concern you have shown to me during my illness. I would also like to thank Dr. Dan, Judy and Angela. I cannot tell you how much I have appreciated the calls, visits, cards and the food you have brought to us. Ray and I appreciate all your kindness and thoughtfulness.

Again, thanks so much. Shirley Daniels

Town Meeting

There will be a Town Meeting concerning the five-year plan of the Gorman Housing Authority. It will be held September 24, 2004 at the Hotel Assembly Room, commencing at 10 a.m.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC NOTICE TO DISCUSS GORMAN ISD'S

State Financial Accountability Rating Gorman ISD will hold a public meeting at 7:00 p.m., October 11, 2004 in the High School Library 114 West Lexington, Gorman, Texas The purpose of this meeting is to discuss Gorman ISD's rating on the state's financial accountability system.

3-10-7

NOTICE

The City of Gorman, PWS #0670003. water system collected two (2) water samples during the month of August 2004, that contained coliform bacteria. This water system is required to submit a minimum of six (6) routine water samples each month for bacteriological analysis. Six (6) routine samples were reguliform found and two (2) repeat samples were coliform found for the month and year indicated

The Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) sets drinking water standards in Texas and has determined that the presence of total coliform is a possible health concern. Coliforms are bacteria that are naturally present in the environment and are used as an indicator that other, potentially harmful, bacteria may be present. Coliforms were found in more samples than allowed and this was a warning of potential problems

For water systems analyzing at least 40 samples per month, no more than 5.0 percent of the monthly samples may be positive for total coliforms. For systems analyzing fewer that 40 samples per month, no more than one sample per month may be positive for total coliforms.

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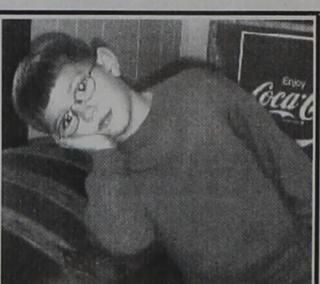
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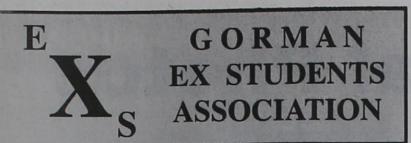
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Thank You

The Ex Students Association wants to thank all who participated in the Homecoming activities this year. Thanks to the Dairy Queen for serving as our planning meeting place. Thanks to Jerry and Lila Mehaffey and Gene Foster for the use of their storefronts for the Ex Student's booth on Saturday. This made a great difference for the committee because the guests were able to register and to have a place to visit during the morning. We are grateful to the school for the hospitality we all enjoyed for the business meeting and the reception for the World War II Veterans later that day. Many thanks to Velda Baze for working so tirelessly with the committee on the Veterans Recognition Program. Thanks to Congressman Charles Stenholm of the 19th District and Libby Connally for the congressional certificates for the Veterans. Thanks to Jan James Trophy House of Comanche and Foster Floral of Gorman . Special thanks to the Administration, teachers, office staff, ground staff and the student council for their include: a social worker from CPS, Janice Burt-LVN, Lance and Kim help with the program and for conducting the School Open House. Special thanks are given to the World War II Veterans for allowing us to honor them during the Homecoming celebration, as well as those who were honored on September 15. Thanks to Birdsong Peanuts who donated the prized boxes of peanuts for the business meeting. We are deeply appreciative of he service to our community and to Gorman Schools by those who were ionored at the Recognition Dinner at ZJ's Restaurant on Saturday night. We also appreciate the large crowd that attended in order to give honor to these individuals. Many, many thanks to the Gorman Progress and ZJ's for going far beyond the call of duty in your service to Exs' activities. To the visitors who returned home from great distances and to those Home-

year, contact a member of the new slate of officers and volunteer. New officers for 2005 are Daryl Hirst, President; Kenneth Welch, Vice President, Sylvia Buchanan, Secretary and Cecilia Hirst, Treasurer.

Homecoming to be a success.

Eastland County 4-H Food Show

Eastland County 4-H Food Show is scheduled for Saturday, October 2, 2004 beginning at 8:45 a.m. at the Methodist Church in Gorman. The Food Show packet can be picked up at the Extension Office and the forms are due back in the Extension Office by September 29th. If you have any questions, please contact Donna White, County Extension Agent-FCS at 629-2222 or come by the office on the 1st Floor of the Courthouse in man Independent School District Eastland.

Hollywood Vassarette Luncheon Oct. 9th

The Eastland Hollywood Vassarette Plant will have their luncheon at El Rancho Cafe in Ranger on Saturday, October 9th. They will gather at

Gorman ISD Earns State Highest Fiscal Accountability Rating

Gorman Independent School District officials announced that the district received a rating of "Superior Achievement" under Texas' new Schools FIRST financial accountability rating system. The Superior Achievement rating is the state's highest, demonstrating the quality of Gorman ISD's financial management and reporting sys-

This is the first year of Schools FIRST (Financial Accountability Rating System of Texas), a financial accountability system for Texas school districts developed by the Texas Education Agency in response to Senate Bill 875 of the 76th Texas Legislature in 1999. The primary goal of Schools FIRST is to achieve quality performance in the management of school districts' financial resources, a goal make more significant due to the complexity of accounting associated with Texas' school finance system.

"We are very please with Gorman ISD's Schools FIRST rating," said GISD Superintendent Leslie Vann, "as it shows that our district is making the most of our taxpayers' dollars. This rating shows that GISD's schools are accountable not only for student learning, but also for

achieving these results cost-effectively and efficiently." The Schools FIRST accountability rating system assigns one of four financial accountability ratings to Texas school districts, with the highest being "Superior Achievement," followed by "Above-Standard Achievement," "Standard Achievement" and "Substandard Achievement." Districts with serious data quality problems may receive the additional rating of "Suspended-Data Quality." Districts that receive the "Substandard achievement" of "Suspended-Data Quality" ratings under Schools FIRST must file a corrective action plan with the Texas Education Agency.

Career Week

The Elementary Career Week will begin September 27th. We have a lot of activities planned for the week. Many of the senior students will be talking to the elementary students about future plans on Monday.

TRUCK DAY

Tuesday will be "Truck Day" and we expect to have a great turn out. The truck presenters include the Gorman Fire Department, Mier's Butane, Comanche County Telephone, Linley Transport, EMS Ambulance from DeLeon, Gorman Milling, F&F Water Well Drilling and Comanche County Electric. Gene Foster and Charlie Torres have also arranged for the care flight helicopter to be part of the day.

GUEST SPEAKER DAY

Elementary and High School

Wednesday will be "Guest Speaker Day" and this year the Jr. High and High School will also be participating. The Elementary guest speakers Sharp-Ultrasound Technicians, Dr. Kyle Bryant-Veterinarian, Michael Norris-graphic publishing, and a DPS trooper. The high school guest speakers include: Christopher Till-Lawyer, Nyka Wyatt-KSTV Personality, Craig Rainey-USPS Rural Mail Carrier, DPS trooper, Walt Burt-Retail furniture store owner, Jim-Edward Jones investing, Social Worker-CPS, Daryl Dier-Game Warden, Rick Rackow-EBBA Iron graphics, Julie Clark-The Hair Shoppe, Teagues Welding, Doyle Rone-Machinist/Business Owner, and David Hollum-Texas Ranger. We have open time slots if anyone would like to volunteer to speak at career day. We would love

Thursday will involve classroom career activities and behind the coming participants who live close by, your presence was essential for scenes field trips.

Friday is "Dress As Your Career Day". Dr. Pepper will be bringing a If you would like to be a part of planning Homecoming activities next truck out on Friday as well since they will not be able to participate

> We appreciate all of the individuals and businesses that contribute to making this week possible for our students. Your time is very valuable and our students benefit greatly from your investment!

GISD Board Amends Dress Code

The Board of Trustees for Gormet Monday, September 13, 2004 to discuss and act on several issues. Every member of the board was ISD. present, as well as the administrative staff. Guest present included Kenneth and Betty Heathington, Cheryl Smith, Sue Spivey, Lisa Laminack, Kent Long, Sandra Lara, Ryan Wright, Clint Jones, Majors, Penny Brister, Tracy Spivey, and Ashlee Hornback.

once the data was compiled. Tracy concerns for the student dress code. concerns about the recent increased Student Council President, prestudent dress code.

The first action item considered sale of weighted average daily attendance (WADA). Mr. Vann explained that Austin ISD as a part of the Robin Hood plan has agreed to purchase 475 WADA from Gorman ISD. Austin ISD will transfer \$1.89 million dollars to Gorman ISD in February. At that time, GISD will stop receiving funds from the state for the remainder of the fiscal year ending in August of 2005. GISD will place the funds in an interest bearing account and in August will return a portion of

the funds to the Texas Education Agency. The District will gain approximately \$70,000 in additional funding by contracting with Austin

Students, administration, faculty, and guests were invited by the board to present their thoughts concerning the student dress code. Each board member expressed their thoughts about the dress code. Fol-Lacy Majors, Clint Jones, Lacy lowing the discussion, three amendments were made to the dress code. The first amendment reads; "Male Four individuals spoke in open students in grades 4-12 must wear forum. Sue Spivey voiced her in- clean clothing (shirts, slacks, jeans, terest in the results of the recent and trousers) that are not torn or community surveys. Superinten- damaged. Pants must be worn at dent, Leslie Vann, stated that the the waist level. All button up shirts administration was in the process designed to button the length of the of compiling the data from the sur- shirt will be tucked in. All shirts vey and the District would host a that exceed the bottom of the pocket verification meeting for the public must be tucked in." Amendment number two states; "Students in Spivey read a letter outlining her PK-3 will be permitted to wear shorts until Thanksgiving and after Kenneth Heathington voiced his spring-break. In addition, students in PK-3 will not be required to tuck tax rate. Ashlee Hornback, GISD in their shirt tails." The final amendment reads; "Students in PKsented a statement calling for an 6 will be permitted to wear caps or amendment to the board approved hats during physical education

classes or recess." The board reviewed a resolution by the Board was to approve the supporting the Districts efforts to contract with Austin ISD for the comply with the federally mandated Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) report. After some discussion, the Board tabled the resolution and requested the District provide the parents and community with information on the AYP report and the af-

fects it will have on the District. The final three items business items were approved by the Board. Bob Bailey and Donna White were approved as adjunct staff members to allow 4-H students the opportunity to use extra-curricular days for 4-H functions. The Board members' and administration's expenses for the 44th Annual TASB/TASA Convention were approved. A budget amendment for the 2003-2004

budget year was approved. Mr. Vann presented the names of the individuals who were selected to serve on the campus and site base teams.

WWII Veterans Honored by Gorman Ex Student Association



Seven World War II Veterans were honored September 15th by the Gorman Ex-Student association for their service to our country. In special ceremony, Mr. William Carruth, Richard Kinser, Roy (Curly) Lipson, T.J. Mayfield, Tommy Roberts, Jewel Snider and T.D. Whitehorn were presented with congressional certificates of gratitude from Congressman Charles Stenholm. They also received medallions that read, "With Gratitude and Respect." The medallions were suspended on a ribbon of stars and bars. The presentation was part of the overall Homecoming Celebration in Gorman.



Oldest Coming Home Queens At GHS Homecoming



Lottie Morris and Estelle Craddock of Gorman were among the participants in the Ex Students Coming Home Queens' float during the Peanut Parade this year. The float featured the current Coming Home Queen, Betty Welch Huff of Big Spring and her court of former Coming Home Queens. Those participating included Joyce Rodgers Gilbert of Katy, Texas, Barbara Overstreet Morrison of Gorman, Kay Browning Snider of Gorman, Marge Hudson of Gorman, Frances Robertson Warren of Gorman, Frankie Jo Shipman of Gorman, Quida Brown Hummel of Carbon and Wanda Brown Glasson. Icy Todd Munn was elected Coming Home Queen at the business meeting of the Ex Students Association and will reign during the coming year.

The Coming Home Queen's float was driven by Shawn Boles.

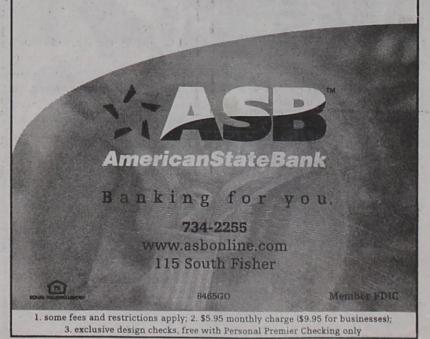


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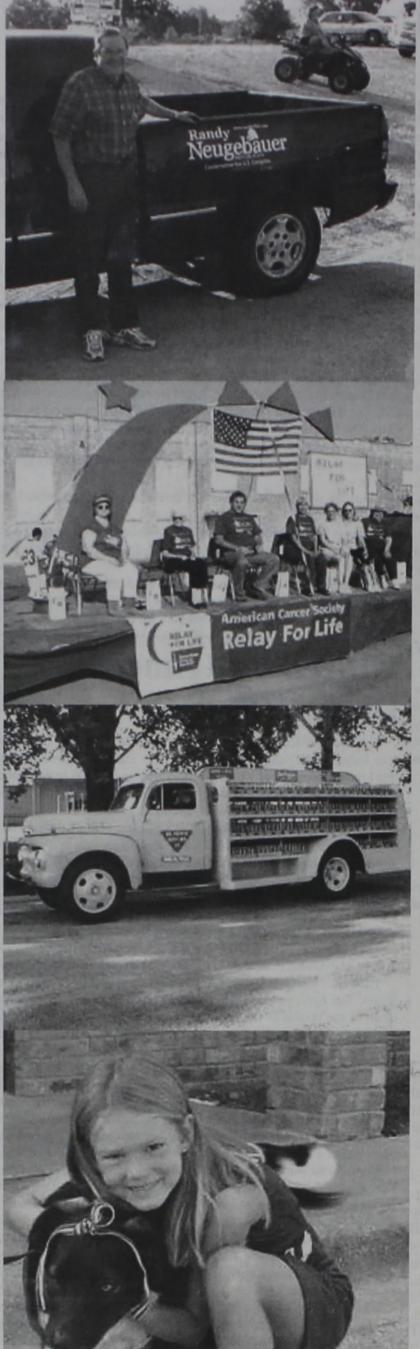




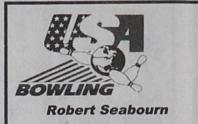
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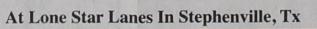
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Gorman Goober Gourmet Cook-Off Results and Thank You From the Cook-Off

On Saturday, September 11, the Gorman Goober Gourmet Cook-Off was heldas part of the Peanut Festival. The cook-off had twenty-eight entries this year in five classes for four age groups each. All entries were excellent and made creative use of peanuts and/or peanut products. The cook-off chairperson wishes to express thanks for the effort put forth by all contestants. The chairperson also wishes to thank the following volunteers for donating their time to help make this a successful event: Nancy Brown, Beth Dunwell, Shirley Good, Ellen Gressett, Pat Hagood, Martha Harrington, Tillie Hinshaw, and Anna Price. Special thanks to the following individuals and businesses who donated items for the goodie bags that each contestant received and for the cookbooks that were presented to the overall class winners: Eastland National Bank, Kim Harrington (Pampered Chef representative), Martha Harrington, and Southwestern Peanut Growers Association.

Results from the Goober Gourmet Cook-Off are as follows:

Adult Candy

First Place: Amy Wood Second Place: Rory Tyson Third Place: Dorothy Silva Fourth Place: Mary Ann Cox

Other Excellent Entrants include: Jane Sims and Marie Mitchell.

Third to Eighth Grade Candy First Place: Shylee Smith **Overall Best Candy** Amy Wood

Adult Cakes First Place: Jane Sims Second Place: Mary Ann Cox **Overall Best Cake**

Adult Pies First Place: Glenda Burgess **High School Pies**

First Place: Jennifer Sims **Overall Best Pie** Jennifer Sims **Adult Cookies**

Jane Sims

First Place: Rory Tyson Second Place: Jane Sims Third Place: Marie Mitchell Fourth Place: Mary Ann Cox Third to Eighth Grade Cookies

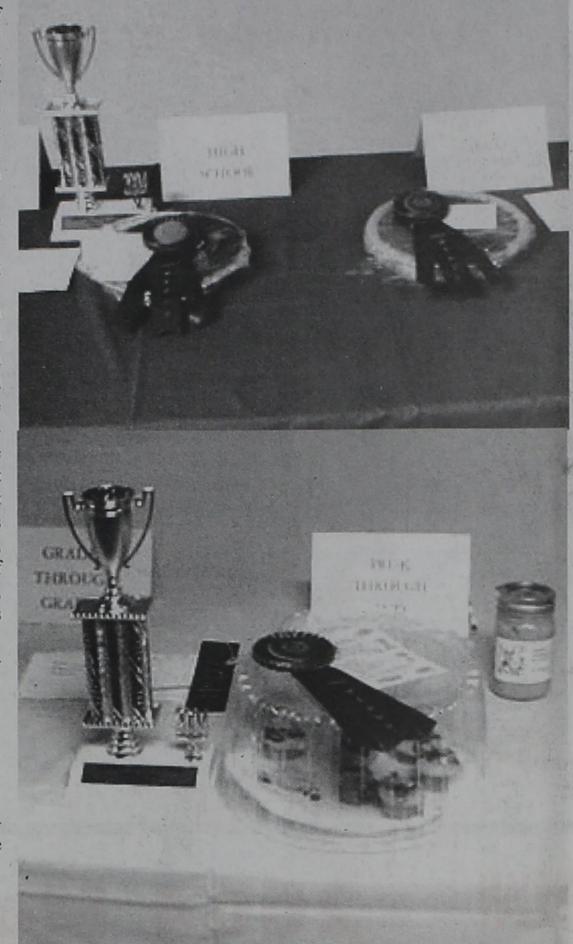
First Place: Katherine Bean Second Place: Jayla McClure Third Place: Shylee Smith Fourth Place: Beau Neil Pre-K to Second Grade Cookies First Place: Avery Tyson

Overall Best Cookies

Rory Tyson Adult Snacks First Place: Jane Sims Second Place: Frances Babbitt Third Place: Rory Tyson Fourth Place: Mary Ann Cox **High School Snacks** First Place: Jennifer Sims Pre-K to Second Grade Snacks First Place: Avery Tyson Second Place: Holly McClure **Overall Best Snack**

Avery Tyson Best of Show Amy Wood

September 17, 2004



Our Little Man



Dallas James Terry was born April 15,2004 He was born with a heart defect and thanks to all the prayers now is doing great. His is the son of Brian and Terry Jancey Lampasas, welcomed home by Longoria and The Messengers. sisters Jesi and Niki Terry Grandparents are Jimmy and and 6 p.m. Monday through Valerie Hampton of Gorman and Jim and Sharon Terry of Fairfield. Also being spoilt by his aunts and uncles Susie and Hampton Michael Gorman and Randy and Michelle Byrd of Carbon and his great grandmother Dorathy Light of Carbon.

First Baptist Church Hosts Gospel Crusade October 3-6



The Messengers

You are cordially invited to attend the services of our crusade, to of be conducted by Bro. Lyndon Sunday services will be at 11 a.m. Wednesday services will be at 7 p.m.

These are critical days. The hour of decision is at hand. Eternal destinies hang in the balance. What you decide to do with your relationship to the Lord Jesus Christ requires urgent attention.

Bro. Longoria is a God-called servant having pastored 22 years before becoming an evangelist full time. He is also a featured conference speaker at the Louisiana Bap-

Bro. Lyndon Longoria tist Evangelism Conference and has been twice elected president of the

Louisiana Conference of Southern Baptist Evangelists. God has done many things for His glory in Bro. Longoria's ministries, "Strength For Today." He desires to share his heart in the local church and hopes there will be a good attendance at every service.

The Messengers: Tommy Clark, Jeff Clark, Jeff Seaton, and Glen Clements, are locally know to us; however, they are achieving quite a renown in music evangelism. Even now their latest single, "Jesus Paid It All" is on the European Gospel Charts and the American Country Gospel Chart. They are ready to present to you the Lord Jesus Christ through their musical messages.

Please know that we are lovingly concerned for you. We hope to see you Sunday morning, October 3, and at each evening service of the crusade.



Peanut Queen Rosa Herrera attended the Old Rip Festival Parade on Saturday, September 18th.

This was her first parade to attend as Peanut Queen. Good luck in your upcoming parades.



Miss Gorman Sandra Lara and Little Miss Gorman Katalina Landa attended the Old Rip Festival Parade on Saturday, September 18th. The received 1st place in the Out-Of-Town floats.

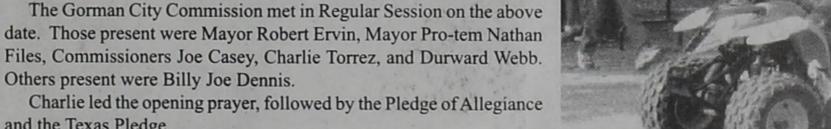


2nd Grade Attends Safety Day

On September 14th, the 2nd grade traveled to Eastland to participate in Safety Day. The students were given instruction on 4wheeler safety, electrical safety, weather safety, seatbelt safety, fire safety, and dairy safety. They were also shown how to make a healthy snack and how to be safe when preparing food. Their favorite topic of the day was on rattlesnake safety-demonstrated by the Sweetwater Jaycees.

The second grade teachers are Donna Grissom and Nikki Forbus.





and the Texas Pledge.

Mayor Ervin called the meeting to order at 5:31 p.m.

City Minutes, Unofficial

Durward made the motion to approve the minutes of the Sept. 2nd, and Sept. 9th meetings with one correction to the Sept. 9th meeting change the 10:00 p.m. to 10:00 a.m. Nathan made a second. Motion carried 4-0.

Joe made the motion to approve the bills for payment. Charlie made a second to the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

Citizens In Put - no one to comment.

Nathan made the motion to put a motor in the GMC pick up with the cost being \$500.00 for the motor, and \$300.00 installation. This will have a thirty (30) day warranty. Joe made a second and the motion carried 4-0.

Nathan made the motion to raise the (optional) Fire Dept. Donation from \$0.50 to \$1.00 effective November 1, 2004. Joe made a second and the motion carried 4-0.

Durward made the motion to obtain funds for the balance due on the new pumper truck, by borrowing the money at the bank on a six (6) month date of interest loan. Charlie made a second and the motion carried 4-0.

At 6:50 p.m. Nathan made the motion to go into Executive Session. Charlie made a second. Motion carried 4-0.

At 7:42 p.m. Nathan made the motion to adjourn from Executive Session and return to Regular Open Session. Charlie made a second and the motion carried 4-0.

No action was taken or necessary upon adjourning from Executive Session.

There being no further business for discussion Joe made the motion to adjourn with a second from Durward. Motion carried 4-0. Time was 7:45 p.m.

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Billy Carruth and Ryan Sides - 2004 Peanut Festival 42 Tournament Winners

KOKOMO NEWS

BY ZELDA JORDAN

Glenn Gilbert of Katy rendered the special music at the Kokomo Baptist Church on Sunday morning singing "Beyond The Cross" and Down On My Knees". Glenn is the grandson of the late Odis and Berniece Rodgers of our community. Thank you Glenn for coming to sing for us.

Bro. Clarence and Leona Wilson, Nancy Hendricks, Zelda Jordan, Joe and Glynda Bond and Daryl Hirst were among those attending the Cisco Baptist Association Music Rally at the First Baptist Church in Eastland on Monday night, and heard a lot of good music and singing from the members of all the churches participating. Glorify, the duet of Daryl Hirst and Brenda Thomas of Cisco presented the special music for the Kokomo Baptist Church.

Woodrow and Helen Browning visited in Graham on Saturday with Gary, Rebecca and Emily Browning and Gary, Donna, Lesley, Melanie and Garrett Gatlin and helped Garrett kick off his soccer season at his first game.

Thursday night, LaVon Snider was a dinner guest of Dan, Dianne and Sandra Snider. Other guests were Justin Snider of Pierre, S.D., Tracy Huffman of Lincoln, Nebraska, and Belinda, Isaac, Belle. Ella and Audri Segura. After dinner they all went to Dan and Dianne's home to continue their visiting.

LaVon enjoyed Sunday dinner in the home of Ted and Charlotte Snider. Those visiting LaVon this week were Justin Snider and Tracy Huffman. LaVon had a nice, long phone visit with her aunt, Bertha (Snider) Henry of Ozona, Tx.

Bobby and Mary Jane Little, Ima Boles, Jimmy and Verna Lee Little, and Charles and Carolyn Little celebrated Ima's birthday with a hamburger supper and birthday cake at the Bobby Little home on Sunday night.

Visitors with Nancy Hendricks were Sue (Huff) Dewdre of Justin, Ruth (Huff) Stephens of Stephenville, Glenn Gilbert of Katy, Carolyn Gilbert of Gorman, Sylvia Buchanan and Zelda Jordan.

Jimmy and Verna Lee Little enjoyed the Old Rip Parade in Eastland on Saturday. A granddaughter, Breckley Little was on the Gymnastic float in the parade, and another granddaughter, Ashley Little sang with the Siebert Elementary Singers at 1:00 p.m. Breckley and Ashley's parents, James and Jill Little also attended the Old Rip Day activities.

Larry and Betty Strube, Sylvia Buchanan and Kenneth, Linda, and William Whitley of Palestine visited with Zelda Jordan. The Whitleys and Zelda enjoyed dinner at Pulido's in Eastland on Thursday night.

Desdemona News

By Vonnie Guthery

Desdemona Monthly Musical will be canceled for the month of September at the Community center. Several area musicians who attend each month and visitors have contact this reporter asking when these monthly musicals will start again. Plans are being made at this time to get all the regular monthly and weekly social events started back on schedule.

Hazel (Warren) Phillips, 91, of Olden passed away on Sunday, September 12, 2004. Burial was in the Ranger Evergreen Cemetery on Wednesday, September 15. Survivors include two daughters, Wanda Isbell and husband Sammy of Olden and Carol Cozart and husband Dale of Cisco; two sons, William Phillips and wife Faye of Irving and Fred Phillips and wife Joyce of Cisco; two brothers Marvin Warren and wife Joy of Wichita Falls, Bobby Dean Warren and wife Linda of Hewitt; one sister Mildred Black of Ranger, grandchildren and great grandchildren and a host of friends.

Preceded in death by her husband Royce Phillips, her parents John and Dora (Parrish) Warren, five brothers, one sister.

The Warren and Phillips families are former residents of Desdemona where all their children attended school. Hazel graduated from Desdemona High School. Our sincere sympathy goes out to this family.

Robert and Ima Brown visited a few days this past week in Temple. Joan Baker is having some health problems at this time. We send her wishes for a speedy recovery.

Please contact this reporter with your weekly news. Thanks and have

a nice day.

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Heritage Manor News By Nancy Hendricks

Visitors at the Nursing Home for a celebration on Wednesday were Estelle Craddock, June Carruth, Velda Baze, Carolyn Gilbert, Nancy Hendricks, Daryl Hirst, Brent Hagood, Sylvia Buchanan, Floydene Gilbert, Kay Ann Craddock, Sylvia Estes, Kelly Wellmaker, Linda Feist, and Ina Smith.

Some guests were Wiley and Margie McCulley of El Paso, Rachel Bird and Nell Files of Carbon, Jill Ashley and Breckley Little, Jimmy Sue Dennis, Henry Lenz of Carbon. Little of Eastland and Zelda Jordan.

Sunday School were Tootie Campbell and Winston Brown. Tootie taught Gary and Edith Grumbles. about "Grandparents Day," and gave residents Grandparent poems. The lesson was "Responding to God's Holiness." Bible passage was Isaiah 6:1-13. Key Bible verse Isaiah 6:3. A resident voiced the closing prayer. Howard and Pat Hagood were guests. There were twenty nine residents Hendricks. present.

Some visitors were Kennard and Doylena Roberts of Gustine, Rodney and Vickie Roberts of Stephenville, Dorothy Roberts of Desdemona, Bo of Springtown, Marjorie Treadway, Ernestine Campbell. and Anna Lee Roberts, Shawn Roberts of Frisco.

were Jill, Breckley, and Ashley Little, Ruby Lee Kinser, Woodrow and Helen Browning, Jimmy Little, Joe and Glynda Bond, Zelda Jordan and Nancy Hendricks. Woodrow, Helen and Ruby Lee brought the special music. There were thirteen residents present.

Some visitors were Stanley Brown of Lamesa, Aaron Brown of Lubbock, Lavelle Hallmark of Lake Leon and Gearldene Wright.

Monday morning, Karen Guthery opened the beauty shop for residents.

Visiting were Stanley Porter, Daisy Slaton, Melba Frasier. Monday morning, Pat Graham, Judy Kilbrew, Jason Kilbrew and Ina Smith had bingo for twelve residents.

Some guests were Kenneth Welch, Bobby and Peggy Ingram, Maudie Husband and Bill Moll of Cisco, Mary Ann Alexander of Brownwood, Lee and Sue Pettigrew of Desdemona, Diana Snider, Larry and DeLinda all. Snider.

Vaughn, Johnnie B. Griffith, Ruby Lee Kinser, Melba Frasier, W.C. and and Derenda Menton.

Wynelle Browning, Zelda Jordan, Daisy Slaton, Woodrow and Helen Browning, Billy Joe and Betty Sue Dennis and Nancy Hendricks. Billy Joe, Ruby Lee, Woodrow and Helen brought the special music. There were 13 residents. Billy Joe voiced the dismissal prayer. Ina Smith served delicious lemonade.

Recent visitors were Thomas and Vicki Seay, Woodrow and Helen Browning, W.C. and Winelle Browning, Johnnie B. Griffith, Joe and Glynda Bond, Elizabeth Vaughn, Melba Frasier, and Nancy Hendricks.

On Tuesday morning, residents enjoyed a movie.

Recent visitors were James and Ruby Lee Kinser, Billy Joe and Betty

Some guests were Bonnie D. Stewart and Jewel Dean Morris of On Sunday morning those coming from the First Baptist Church for DeLeon, Becky Smith of Cross Plains, Annie Fay Foster, Pam Childers,

> On Tuesday afternoon, Betty Duke of Desdemona came played the electric keyboard and led singing for seventeen residents. Guests were Becky Moore, Emily Green, Monica Moore, Princess and Nancy

> Some visitors were Peggy Brook of Merkel, Irene West, Christine Hammontree, Eunice Love, Durward Webb, Larry Stogsdill, Don Landers

On Wednesday morning, those coming from First Baptist Church were On Sunday afternoon, those coming from the Kokomo Baptist Church Rev. Bill and Tootie Campbell and Winston Brown, Bro. Bill's message was "Tragedy of Race Hindered." Hebrews 12:1-2. A resident led a prayer. There were twenty two residents attending.

> Guests were Bonnie Croft of Lake Leon, Max and Janice Grice of Brownfield, Tisha and Daniel Grice of Stephenville.

> On Wednesday afternoon, Ina Smith had "crazy bingo" for several residents.

Visiting were Becky Moore, Emily Green, Monica Moore and 'Princess' of DeLeon.

Thursday morning, it was 'exercise' with Ina Smith.

Some guests were Roy and Charlotte Johnson of Desdemona, Paul and Pat Johnson of Lubbock, Clyde and DeSha Johnson of Stephenville.

On Friday morning, Pat Graham and Jason Kilbrew and Judy Kilbrew and Ina Smith had bingo for 13 residents. Refreshments were enjoyed by

Some guests were Sylvia Estes of Carbon, James and Mary Jesse of The Gospel Singers coming on Monday afternoon were Elizabeth Ft. Worth. Also visiting were Larry and Jerry Majors of DeLeon, Steve

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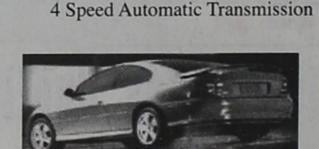
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