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Pictured here are EDC Director Lori Dodd, Dr. Dan Brudnak, Superintendent Leslie Vann, and Phillip Arther of Arther Business Products in Eastland.

These individuals are proudly displaying our latest purchase for the Computer Access for Texans with Disabilities (CAT-D) grant. This 42" Sony plasma monitor will be used for a variety of things throughout our community. It will be used for health education such as diabetes awareness, nutrition and exercise, etc. for children and adults with special needs. It will also be used for computer training. There will be an assortment of classes beginning in October that will be free and open to the public as well as to those with disabilities.

In September of 2003 Gorman ISD was awarded a CAT-D grant from the State of Texas Health and Human Services Commission for \$239,000. This grant was to provide computers and all necessary assistive devices for Texans with Disabilities. So far it has brought 10 new computers with special modifications for the disabled/special needs students at GISD. If you have any questions about public access for this equipment and other items, please contact Lori Dodd, Grant Administrator at 734-3933.

Lady Panthers Volleyball



Gorman Lady Panther States for October 2. Gorman Vs. Gustine Ashlee Hornback 9 serves, 8 assists, 1 save Kendra Swanner 3 serves, 5 kills
Nikki Keith 7 serves, 3 assists, 4 kills, 1 save
Sharla Perez 2 serves, 3 kills, 1 dig
Kristy Carlton 14 serves, 3 kills
Tiffany Perez 21 serves
Tessia Griffin 1 dig, 1 save
Kaci Seaton 1 kill, 1 dig



Important Dates For The FFA

Following are some important dates to keep in mind. Orders for broilers are do on the 12th of October. The prices of the broilers are still a \$1.00 each and come in boxes of twenty-five. We will be having lamb and goat validation on October 19, 2004 from 4:00 till 6:00pm at the Eastland County Show barn. All FFA and Jr. FFA dues need to be paid by November 1, 2004. Swine validation will be @ the County Barn from 2:00 until 6:00pm on Monday November 22, 2004. Also, if you ordered major show tags please come by my office and pay for them.

Dorcas Class



Joy Rogers presented the lesson on Wednesday to the Dorcas Class of the Gorman Church of Christ. The Old Testament character Miriam was brought to life when Joy assumed Miriam's identity and helped the audience understand this sister of Moses and Aaron. Miriam, the first woman prophet mentioned in the Bible, is also well known for her victory song of what is commonly known as the Exodus. The Dorcas Class meets each Wednesday of the week at the Fellowship Hall of the church at 10:00AM. Visitors are welcome.



Zena Simpson (holding baby Moses) and Christine Hammontree played the role of Moses' birth mother, Jochebed and his adoptive mother, Pharaoh's daughter in a recent lesson of the Dorcas Class. This is part of a series, "Women of the Bible", currently being studied by the group. In addition to educational classes, the group is actively involved in service to the community.

Scholastic Book Fair

The Scholastic Book Fair will be taking place from October 12-15 at Gorman Elementary School.

Please feel free to come by and see what we are doing!

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.

SANDRA CAGLE WILL BE IN GORMAN THE THIRD WEDNES-DAY OF EACH MONTH AT THE CITY OFFICE TO RENEW AUTO LICENSE PLATES. HER NEXT VISIT - OCTOBER

20TH FROM 9 - 12 NOON

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, P O Box 711, Gorman, Texas 76454, or American State Bank, Gorman, Texas 76454.

Panthers Open District Play Friday At Evant

The Gorman Panthers will open District 13 A play on Friday night when they travel to Evant to take on the Elks, who are sporting a 3-2 record. The Panthers are 2 and 2 on the season following an open date on September 24th, then their game with De Leon on October 1st was cancelled due to weather conditions. It was thought that the weather might move through and let the teams get in their game, but each time the weather would let up and the teams would start on the field another round of lightning and rain would move in and the officials would call the teams off the field. The about 9:45 the game was called off and since it wasn't a district game it was cancelled. With the dangerous weather clouds moving over Brogdon Field the officials decided to not risk getting any players in harms way.

Evant is coming off a 21 to 18 victory over Santo and is expected to give the Panthers some of the toughest competition that they have met this season. But with the two weeks rest the Panthers should be healed up and should make a good battle of it. After all, the Panthers and Elks have always played very competitively and this one is expected to be no different. So follow the Panthers to Evant and back them all the way.

Go Get 'Em Big Red!!!

City Council Meeting, Thursday, October 7th

A reminder about the City Council Meeting, Thursday, October 7, 2004 at 5:30 p.m. All interested people with livestock in town, and want to keep those animals in town are urged to attend this meeting.

Junior High Football Highlights Gorman Cubs vs DeLeon Cubcats Score: 44-14 Gorman

Touchdowns:

Tyler Johnson, 40 yard run—2 point conversion pass Swanner to Gillen Matt Underwood, 50 yard run—2 point conversion pass Swanner to Underwood

Martin Ramirez, 60 yard run—Conversion no good.

Marc Gillen, 60 yard pass from Swanner—conversion no good Matt Underwood, 30 yard run—2 point conversion Martin Ramirez Marc Gillen, 40 yard pass interception—conversion Ernie Rodriquez Individual Stats

Tyson Swanner—4 out of 5 passes completed for 124 yards, 1 touch-down and 1 interception

Matt Underwood—7 carries for 123 yards and 2 touchdowns

Martin Ramirez—5 carries for 95 yards and 1 touchdown
Tyler Johnson—2 carries for 48 yards and 1 touchdown

Marc Gillen—3 pass receptions for 118 yards and 1 touchdown, and 1 touchdown on an interception.



Matt Underwood #30 - On TD Run



Group of Cubs in game action.



Tyson Swanner #11 - Pass completed for TD

Jack Bert Bennett

Jack Bert Bennett, age 88, passed away Thursday, September 30, 2004 in the DeLeon Hospital. Services were Saturday, October 2, 2004 at the Higginbotham Funeral Home Chapel with Bro. Bill Campbell officiating. Burial was in the Oaklawn Cemetery.

Mr. Bennett was born July 26, 1916 in Gorman to Bert and Mollie Bennett. He married Billie Brooks on October 11, 1936 in Breckenridge. He owned Bennett's Appliance Store in Gorman for several years. He worked for Bell Helicopter for 20 years, retiring in 1978. He had been a member of the Masonic Lodge for 60 years and a member of the First Baptist Church in Gorman.

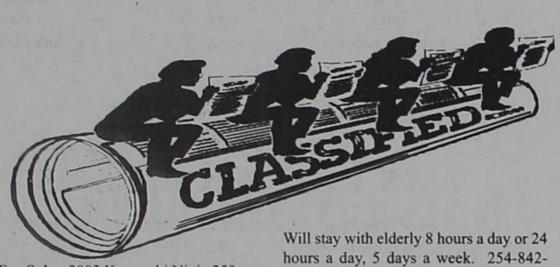
Survivors include his wife, Billie Bennett of Gorman; son, Ray Bennett of Stephenville and daughter, Barbara King of Weatherford; 8 grandchildren, 20 great grandchildren and 1 great-great grandchild.

W.C. Browning

W.C. Browning, age 88, passed away Wednesday, September 29, 2004 at the Harris Methodist Hospital in Stephenville. Services were Friday, October 1, 2004 at the Higginbotham Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. Bill Campbell officiating. Burial followed at the Oaklawn Cemetery.

Mr. Browning was born November 7, 1915 in DeLeon to John and Ertie (Hickey) Browning. He married Blanche Brasher in 1936. She preceded him in death in 1985. He later married Winnell Bettis in 1987. He was a member of the Rock Bluff Baptist and later the First Baptist Church in Gorman serving as deacon for many years. He also belonged tot he Masonic Lodge and served on the Gorman School Board for 7 years. He retired from Texas Electric in 1978 after 20 years.

Survivors include his wife, Winnell Browning of Gorman; two sons, O Woodrow Browning and wife, Helen of Gorman, Eddie Browning and wife, Anna of Granbury; two daughters, Glenda Nell Browning of Alpine and Kay Snider and husband, Gene of Gorman; one sister, Lottie Morris of Gorman and one brother, Joe Bob Browning of Brownwood; two step sons, Ron McCormick and wife, Pam of Andrews and Kevin McCormick and wife, Susan of Forney; seven grandchildren and eleven great grandchildren.



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Era Margaret Poynor Maupin

Era Margaret Poynor Maupin was born April 14, 1909, in the Indian Mountain Community of Comanche County as one of ten children to the pioneering family of Morgan and Ora Poynor. She married Elmer Maupin on June 7, 1924. Together they established and operated Maupin's Service Station in Gorman, Texas for many years. Era was employed by Higginbotham Funeral Home of Gorman for twenty-eight years.

Era "Jane" was preceded in death by her dear husband of seventy years, Elmer Maupin, and by her beloved daughter, Dorothy Harvey. She was also preceded in death by eight of her cherished brothers and sisters.

She is survived by one son, Bill Maupin and wife Carolyn of Stephenville; one brother, G.W. "Stubbs" Poynor of Hugo, Oklahoma; four granddaughters and their spouses survive her: Pamela Steele and husband Mark of Graham, Janet O'Neal and husband David of Tyler, Catherine Huddleston and husband Joe of Frisco, and Suzan King and husband James of Reno. Era is survived by one grandson, Dickey Maupin of Austin. In additions, she is survived by four great grandchildren, Joel and Claire Steele, Leslie Gibbs and Kaitlyn English.

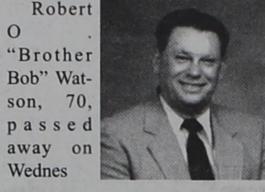
Aunt Era leaves an incredible legacy of nieces and nephews and their children who share many special memories of her. She was a long-time faithful member of the First Baptist Church of Gorman, Texas. Era lived her long life with dignity, compassion, and spirit. We celebrate her life and her courage.

Services for Era Maupin were Thursday, September 30, 2004 at the Higginbotham Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. Ron Carroll and Rev. David O'Neal officiating. Burial followed at Oakland Cemetery.

Robert O. "Brother Bob" Watson

"Brother Bob" Wat-70.

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day, September 29, 2004 at his residence in Bacliff, Texas. He was born November 3, 1933 in Pearland, Texas to Lucy and John Watson. Mr. Watson was a Baptist Minister and pastor for 36 years.

Mr. Watson was preceded in death by his parents, one sister,

seven brothers, and one grandson.

Survivors include his wife of 49 years, Vera Jean Watson; three daughters and their husbands: Deborah C. Boyd and Glenn, Pamela Jean Watson-Burton and Ed, Robin A. Rhodes and Rex; one son, Stephen Watson; and sister, Shirley Rham. Also surviving are eight grandchildren, Dawn Boyd, Danielle Boyd, Jackie Boyd, Matthew and Jessica Watson, Clint Burton, Emily Burton, Rexanne Rhodes, Gina McWhirter and five great-grandchildren.

Services were Friday, October 1, 2004 at the First Baptist Church in Manvel.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING 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

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160 A. cropland, live oaks and mesquite, hunting. \$195,000 Sold 157 A. Callahan Co., 2 tanks, 6 wells, home site, coastal, cropland. \$196,250

132 A.Hwy. frontage, tank, 4 wells, coastal, cropland. \$165,00 Under Contract 99A 5/4, 4300 sf brick, metal barn, 5 water wells, large reservoir, rock drive, and much more. \$477,500

97A 5/4.5, 5632 sf brick, swimming pool, deck with hot tub, metal barn, pecan trees, tanks, corral, and much more. \$582,000

77 A. Palo Pinto Co., Woods, creek, hunting, might divide. \$240,000 66A Near Rising Star, mature pecan orchard, 5 wells, underground mainline, by golf

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13 A. Hwy. frontage, tank, creek, barn. \$32,000

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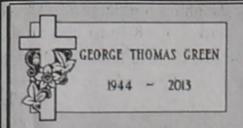
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The Iley's were married in a double-double ring ceremony October 9, 1954, at the home of Rev. Buel Bryan in Gorman, Texas. Wilma is the former Wilma Faye Davis. Georgia is the former Georgia Ann Burleson. Both couples lives in Desdemona.

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School News

Monday, October 11-No school-Staff Development for teachers Band Practice 6:00-8:00 p.m.

Tuesday, October 12—Morning band practice—7:00-8:00 a.m. Wednesday, October 13-Morning band practice-7:00-8:00 a.m. Thursday, October 14—Morning band practice—7:00-8:00 a.m. Jr. High Football—6:00 p.m.—here

Friday, October 15-Gorman Panthers-Cross Plains Buffaloes-7:30 p.m.—there

Saturday, October 16—Volleyball Band Contest at Burleson,

School Menu

Performance at 12:00

Week of Oct. 11 Breakfast

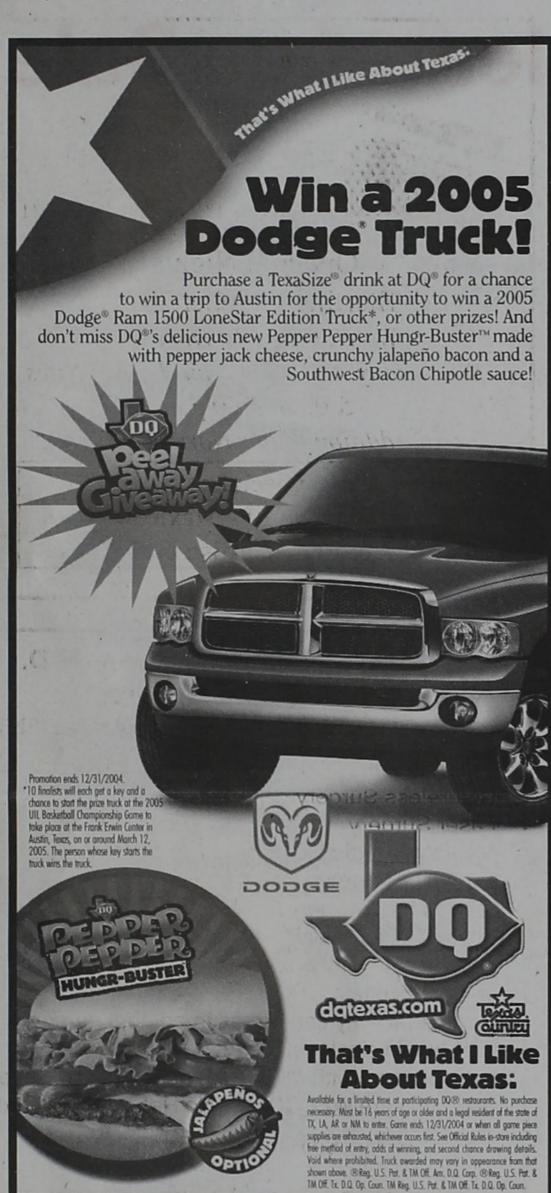
Monday--Cereal, milk, juice Tuesday--Eggs, biscuits, milk, juice Wednesday--Waffle stixs, syrup, milk, juice Thursday--Cinnamon rolls, apples, milk, juice Friday--Sausage, biscuits, gravy, milk, juice

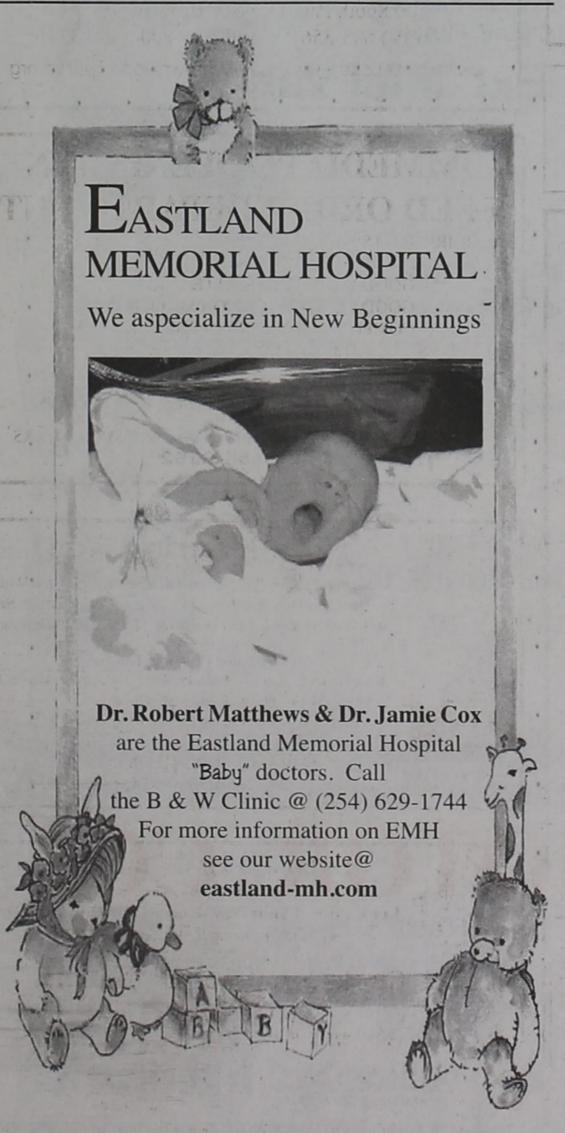
Lunch

Monday--Chicken pot pie, salad, peaches, milk

Tuesday-Tuna or cheese sandwiches, peach crisp, vegetable soup, milk Wednesday--Chicken nuggets, green beans, creamed potatoes, hot rolls,

Thursday--Hamburger macoroni/cheese, fried okra, jello, milk Friday--German sausage, potato salad, ranch beans, milk





Gorman ISD Earns Recognized Rating

Annually the Texas Education Agency (TEA) publishes the annual ratings for the 1227 School Districts and Charter Schools governed by the Texas Education Agency. Gorman ISD received a rating of REC-OGNIZED which is the second highest possible rating. Campuses were age. also rated. The Maxfield Elementary was awarded RECOGNIZED status while the High School received ACADEMICALLY ACCEPTABLE

the primary form of data used to determine the ratings. Students in grades 3-11 take either the Texas Assessment of Knowledge and Skills (TAKS) or the State Developed Alternative Assessment (SDAA), a test designed for students with special needs. Additional items evaluated are the district and campuses Drop-out Rate and Completion Rate in grades 7-12.

Gorman ISD and the two campuses ratings were among the top in the region. The ratings for the Region XIV included nineteen recognized districts and twenty-four academically acceptable districts. At the campus level sixteen campuses received the highest possible rating, exemplary. Sixty-one campuses were recognized and fifty-four were intervention that will help her is surgery. Academically Acceptable.

to the increased passing levels assigned to the TAKS test. Only nineteen of the 1227 districts in the state received an Exemplary rating. Three hundred and seventy four districts were awarded recognized status. Fifty-eight per cent (715) of the districts were academically acceptable. Only twenty-six districts were academically unacceptable. A small percentage of the districts were not rated because they are labeled as alternative educational districts.

A detailed report and publication will be made available to the public at the regular board meeting held in December. The administration is proud of the recognized rating and compliments the students and staff.

Gorman High School Honor Roll 1st Six Weeks

For a student to be ont he Distinguished Honor Roll, the student must have a 4.0 or better grade point average. For a student to be on the Honor Roll, the student must have a 3.75 or better grade point average. 7th Grade-Distinguished Honor Roll--Taylor Chew; Honor Roll--Jarrett Blankenship, Jonathan Flores, Eric Ryon

8th Grade-Distinguished Honor Roll--Emily Lewis, Matt Underwood, Miles Vann, Perla Velasquez; Honor Roll--Marsela Gonzalez, Sonia Hipolito, Olivia Jackson, Audrey Johnston, Tyson Swanner, Veronica Walton

Nicole Cogburn, Maria Cruz, Yhdira Garcia, Tecia Jones, Kendra Lewis, Megan Lewis, Mary Powell; Honor Roll--Kathryn Deel, Reba Granado, Kennon Hornback, Aaron Keith, Jimmie Murphy, Nancy Velasquez 10th Grade-Distinguished Honor Roll--Kristy Carlton, K'Ann Howard; Class as none of them were able to attend. Honor Roll--Maria Oronia, Crystal Thackerson

11th Grade-Distinguished Honor Roll--Zach Bryan, Kent Long, Cindy Lopez, Kendra Swanner; Honor Roll--Nikki Keith, Sharla Perez

12th Grade-Distinguished Honor Roll-- Martha Cruz, Christian Hornback, Clinton Jones, Frances Lewis, Amanda Naeseth, Laura Roygoza, Jazzminde Reeves, Joseph Whitfill; Honor Roll--Kendra Bailey, Rachel Granado, Scott Lewis

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Desdemona News

By Vonnie Guthery

James Ryon remains a patient in

munity. Bob, his brother James Ed and his sister Virginia attended

Thought for today—"Don't let

Have a nice day, Coon.

"Congratulations" to Wayne and Wilma Faye (Davis) Iley, Howard a Fort Worth hospital. Latest reand Georgia Ann (Burleson) Iley, port that his condition has improved both couples of Desdemona. They some. Friends in Desdemona send will celebrate their 50th wedding their best wishes for a speedy reanniversary on Saturday, October 9, covery. 2004 at the First Baptist Church Annex in Desdemona. The recept he sick list, several residents are tion will be hosted by their children, in the local rest homes. Remember Richard and Sharon Iley of them with your cards and prayers. Stephenville; Fred and Laura Iley of Stephenville; Eddy Iley of Isbell spent a few days this past Desdemona; Toby and Julia (Iley) week at the old Honeycutt Morris of DeLeon and their grand- Homeplace in the Jakehamon Comchildren.

Wilma and Georgia have been school in Desdemona. friends all through the years, their families lived as neighbors, they your mind become so busy that were classmates all through school, your heart can't respond." they graduated together with the Class of 1954 from Desdemona High School, they married brothers in a (double) double-ring ceremony on October 9, 1954 in the home of Bro. Buel and Doris Bryan in Gorman, Texas.

Family and friends are invited to attend the reception at 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. No gifts please-your presence is their gift.

Larry and Gay Moore spent the past weekend at the gib Flea Market in Canton, Texas. They reported a good trip with excellent weather.

Rudolph "Humpy" Duke is having some health problems at this time. He spent several days this past week in Baylor Hospital having several tests, etc. Friends in Desdemona sends "Humpy" best wishes for a speedy recovery.

Dorothy Roberts spent the past weekend in Granbury with her granddaughter, Mark and Emily Williams and daughter, Kena. Dorothy enjoyed watching Kena do her cheerleader routine at the football game on Friday night.

Eddie and Dawna Martin and daughter, Darcy of Millsap visited last Sunday in Desdemona with his daughters, Lee and Sonja Hornback and son, Kennon; Donal and

Kandice Cogburn and son, Dylan. Burney and Helen Olivo spent the past week visiting in Florida with her sister who is having some

health problems.

at any time, for any reason, and be at the mercy of people who know nothing about her condition, and she could have permanent nerve dam-It is difficult to explain her condition. She has a Chiari l malformation of the cerebellum of the brain. This is an extra growth of brain tissue, extending into the spinal canal to the back side of the The ratings are based on data from several areas. Testing results is brain stem. The Chiari pushes the brain stem forward. What makes Kendra's condition so unique is that she also has a malformation of the

Postponed Until December 30, 2004

pain or sick in any way. We just live in constant fear that she will pass out

If you were wondering about the fate of Kendra Lewis lately, the surgery was postponed due to reasons beyond our control. She is not in any

odontoid process, on the front of the brain stem. This bone is formed at a backward angle, pushing into the brain stem. It is working like a mass, not allowing cerebral spinal fluid to pass. It touches and stimulates the area of the brain stem that controls respiratory and

When she passes out, there are no interventions that will help her. She struggles to regain control of her breathing but cannot, her heart races, she is in and out of consciousness.

These fainting episodes last five to thirty minutes at times. The only

Dr. Menezes, in Iowa will be preforming this surgery in December. He State wide, the ratings were lower than in the past several years due is a neurosurgeon, who specializes in this type, called a transoral. To reach and reset this bone he will have to go through the back of her mouth. There is not a surgeon in Texas who is able to preform this specific type of surgery. Basically she will then have a C1 fracture of the neck. Thus, she will be in a halo traction for three to six months until the bone heals. She will be in the hospital for three weeks, then home bound schooled for the rest of the year.

> Insurance has agreed to cover the expense of the surgery, which has been estimated at 150,000 dollars. Both, the mother and father are asking for help to cover the expenses of traveling to Iowa, staying for one month, and not being able to work during this time. In addition one parent will stay home for the six months after surgery to take care of her special needs.

> The community has been wonderful to assist with the expenses so far and we do greatly appreciate your support. If you would like to make a donation to Kendra, jars have been set up in several towns nearby Desdemona and an account has been set up American State Bank in Gor-

Carbon High School Classes Enjoy Reunions

It was a great time of fellowship and reminiscing as members of the 9th Grade-Distinguished Honor Roll--Ashley Burkeen, Brandy Carlton, Carbon High School Classes of 1943, 1945, 1946, 1948, 1949, 1950 and 1951 met at ZJ's Steakhouse in Gorman for their class reunions on Friday evening, October 1, 2004. Each class had their own table set for them to enjoy their meal, but all could visit with each other. We missed the 1947

Those from the 1943 Class were: Arl and Margie Lasater, Royce and Hope McGaha, Truman and Wanda (Donaldson) Bryant all of Carbon and Elmer Ruth Bethany Guy of Eastland.

Those from the 1945 Class were: Ruby (Rice) Norris of Carbon, Waida Esquivel, Maria Garcia, Ariana Giles, Elizabeth Hipolito, Ashlee Lea (Fields) Medford of Abilene, Betty (Hastings) Sims of San Antonio. S. L. and Helen Craighead of Odessa, Bill and Frankie (Broom) Eakin of Wichita Falls, Bill and Juanita (Norris) Zahn of Lovington, NM, Clarice (Gregg) Cunningham of Midland and her sister, Janice Gregg Bennett of Roswell, NM, Dwain Jackson of Fort Stockton, and Zelda (Lewallen) Jordan of Gorman. We missed the classmates that couldn't be there and Dwain Jackson's wife, Doc, who passed away a few months ago.

Those from the 1946 Class were: Joan (Foster) Mosley of Buchanar Dam, Walter and Winnette (Norris) Maynard of Eastland, Bill and Oma Lee (Hogan) Carlton of Eastland, Richard Vann of Ranger, Ken Rogers of Eastland, Joe Vaughn of Eastland, Ted R. Medford of Abilene, Dor Martin of Odessa, Clay Caudle of Bridgeport, and Jake Donaldson of Eastland.

Those from the 1948 Class were: Christine (Rhyne) Self and her daughter, Cecilia Hirst of Gorman, Milton and Doris (Dover) Brown of Granbury, Ruby Whitehead of Hawley, Lou Ann (Jackson) Griffith of Midland, Bill and Gladiola McFall of Houston, and Marjorie (Hines) Adair of Sugar Land.

Those from the 1949 Class were: Troy and Betty Cross of Eastland. Those from the 1950 Class were: Bobby and Mary Jane Little of Eastland, Burl Caudle of Conroe, Bryan and Jolene Johnson of Eastland, Ken Several in our community are on Gilbert of Mountain Home, AR., Elvenor (Adair) Johns of Westerville OH, and Mary Lee Jones of Sunrise Beach, TX.

Those from the 1951 Class were: Edith (Foster) Kelley of Hobbs NM, Jean (Walsh) Hernandez of Hurst, TX, and Jack and Vera Clack o Bobby Joe Honeycutt of Port Moran.

As the "goodnights" were said all hoped that they would be able to be back next year for another reunion. It is really great to see former class mates and remember all the good times we had in school.

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Or troubled day with all its length,

Or overlook what others say Without His strength.

I must have God!

I couldn't carry on my lips

A song of cheer, a word of ease

The aching of another's heart Without His peace.

I must have God!

I couldn't share the grief of those Who need my help along life's way

Or comfort one in need of peace

Unless I pray.

Some visitors were Stanley Brown of Lamesa, Lavelle Hallmark of Saturday. Colors were beautiful. Lake Leon, Winston Brown, Gearldene Wright, Jerry Brown and Roger Brown.

On Sunday morning, those coming from the First Baptist Church for Sunday School were Tootie Campbell, Vickie Seay and Winston Brown. Tootie and Vickie led singing and Tootie taught the lesson, "Encouraged by Knowing god." Background passage Revelation 1:1-20. Key Bible verse Revelation 1:17-18. A resident voiced the closing prayer. There were twenty nine residents present. Howard and Pat Hagood were guests.

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

Sunday afternoon, those coming from the Church of Christ were Bro. Larry Stogsdill, Bud Smithy, Durward Webb, Gene Foster, Don Under

KOKOMO NEWS

BY ZELDA JORDAN

The Annual picnic of the Kokomo Baptist Church will be held on Saturday, October 9, 2004 at the home of Gene and Kay Snider. There will be hamburgers with all the trimmings with drinks and dessert. Games of dominoes will be played, and if you have a favorite game you would like to play, bring it with you. The activities will begin around 4:00 p.m. Come expecting to have a good time of fellowship and fun.

Jimmy Little directed the music at the Kokomo Baptist Church on Sunday morning. Daryl Hirst was the pianist and Glynda Bond the organist. Norma Webb, Aletha Burgess, Karen Patterson, Leona Wilson, Daryl Hirst, Oren Webb, Jimmy Little and Joe Bond, with Glynda Bond at the piano, rendered the special music. They sang "What A Day That Will Be" so beautifully. Janie Riley of Midland was a visitor. "Happy birthday" was sung to Breckley Little and Johnnie B. Griffith. Carolyn Little was congratulated for having been recognized in the Gorman School year book. Norma Webb gave a mission emphasis urging all to pray for and to give to our "Mary Hill Davis" Texas Missions offering. The beautiful flowers were from the Browning family.

The Sunday night service was dismissed so the members could attend the revival at the First Baptist Church in Gorman.

Tuesday, October 12th will be Senior Adult Day at the Big Country Baptist Assembly at Lueders. Mark your calendars and plan to go and have a great time. Registration will begin at 8:30 a. m. and the cost will be \$5.00 and that will include lunch.

We extend sincere sympathy to the family of W. C. Browning of Gorman who passed away on Wednesday. His funeral was held on Friday. He was the father of Woodrow Browning and Kay Snider of our community. W. C. and his wife Winnelle had attended many church services and singings at the Kokomo Baptist Church. He will be missed.

Word was received on Thursday that Bro. Bob Watson had passed away at his home in Bacliff, TX. on Wednesday, September 29, 2004. His funeral was on Friday at 11:00 a.m. at the First Baptist Church in Manvel, TX. Bro. Bob was a former pastor of the Kokomo Baptist Church. We extend our sincere sympathy to his wife, Vera Jean, and their children, Debbie, Steve, Pam and Robin and their families.

Oren and Norma Webb visited with Laura and Ronnie Shelton, and their daughters, Andrea, Emily and Katherine at Sapulpa, Okla. and attended church with them the Sunday they were there. They also enjoyed a vacation trip through Missouri and Arkansas before returning home, and report having a real good time.

Joe and Glynda Bond went to San Antonio to be with Rev. and Mrs. Pat Ray and their family as their daughter, Melissa Ray, under went brain surgery on Thursday. They report that she came through the surgery fine and was doing well and expected to be able to leave the hospital in three to five days. We extend get well wishes to Melissa.and wish her a speedy recovery. Joe and Glynda also visited with Shannon, Stephanie, Raegan and Sydnie Bond in Copperas Cove.

Jimmy and Verna Lee Little visited in Arlington with Nelda and Jared Little and Nelda accompanied them to Grapevine where Verna Lee had a doctor's appointment.

Delmon and Joyce Eaves attended the Graham and Reynolds Family reunion on Saturday, Oct. 2 at the Woman's Club in Eastland. They had a good time visiting with all the folks. They also visited with Cliff and Doris Graham of Eastland who were unable to attend the reunion.

Bill and Gladiola McFall of Houston visited Larry and Betty Strube. The McFalls also attended the reunion of the Carbon High School Class of 1948 at Gorman on Friday night and the Carbon Golden Exes Reunion at Carbon on Saturday. Bill grew up at Kokomo.

Jimmy and Maggie Nelson and Travis, Gladys, Alexis, Tiffany and Ethan Nelson of Fort Worth spent the weekend at the Nelson Farm at Carbon.

Johnnie B. Griffith spent the past two weeks in Midland with Ken and Janie Riley and family and celebrated her birthday on September 24. Ken and Janie brought Johnnie B. home on Saturday and remained for an overnight stay.

On Saturday, LaVon Snider visited in the home of Dwayne and Connie Snider in Stephenville. Others visiting there were Sheri LaBonte of Fairfax, Va., Franklin, Jeanne and Chloe Baker, Dale, Kathy, Scott, and Matt Collum of Huckabay.

Those visiting with LaVon Snider this week were: Dianne and Sandra Snider, Belinda, Audriana, Isaac, Daniella, and Isabella Segura of Gor-

Zelda Jordan enjoyed the 1945 Carbon High School Class Reunion at Gorman on Friday night and the Carbon Golden Exes Reunion at the Carbon Community Center on Saturday. She also enjoyed visiting with members of the other classes that were meeting at ZJ's in Gorman on Friday night.

Many thanks to the Carbon 4-H Club and their leaders for the delicious meal at the Golden Exes Reunion and for all the help they gave to those of us who needed help. They did a fantastic job of serving every-

The rains came along with cooler weather. I've had over 5 inches from Friday night until Monday evening, and there is forecasts for more.

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wood. Gene and Don led the singing. Bro. Larry's message, "Having the Mind of Christ." Bible passage, Philippians 2:1-4. There were thirteen residents attending.

Some guests were Rodney and Vickie Roberts of Stephenville, Kennard and Doylena Roberts of Gustine, Dorothy Roberts of Desdemona, Bo and Anna Lee Roberts.

Monday morning, Karen Guthery came and opened the beauty shop and styled hair.

Some visitors were Roy and Charlotte Johnson of Desdemona, Clyde and DeSha Johnson of Stephenville, Paul and Pat Johnson of Lubbock, Henry Lenz of Carbon.

Kathy Torrez and Pat Graham had bingo for fifteen residents.

Recent visitors were Annie Fay Foster, Martha Overstreet, Jewel Dean Morris and Bonnie D. Stewart of DeLeon, Lonnie and Edith Grumbles, Jayson Kilbrew and Judy Kilbrew.

Monday afternoon Gospel Singers coming were Zelda Jordon, Daisy Slaton, Ruby Lee Kinser, Woodrow and Helen Browning, Billy Joe and Betty Sue Dennis, Anna Rush, Gearldene Wright and Nancy Hendricks. Ruby Lee, Woodrow and Helen and Billy Joe brought the special music. There were thirteen residents present. Gearldene Wright voiced the closing prayer.

Recent visitors were Maxine Frasier of DeLeon, Dan and Jo Carey of Midlothian, Irene West, Peggy Brook of Merkel, Larry Stogsdill, Durward Webb, Kate Caballero.

It sure was nice for Rose Hamilton to manicure residents nails on

Some visitors were Thomas and Vickie Seay, Daisy Slaton, Stanley Porter, Billy Joe and Betty Sue Dennis, Howard and Pat Hagood, George Rodgers.

On Tuesday morning, Ina Smith had 'concentration' for a large group. Some guests were Bonnie Croft of Lake Leon, Anna Rush, Max and Janice Grice of Brownfield, Tisha and Daniel Grice of Stephenville.

Tuesday afternoon, Betty Duke of Desdemona came played the electric keyboard and led singing for twelve residents.

Recent visitors were W.C. and Winelle Browning, Don Underwood, Nelda Mauney, Helen and Woodrow Browning, Gene Foster, Glen and Nancy Lawless of DeLeon, Leta Loudermilk, Bill and Tootie Campbell.

On Wednesday morning, Rev. Bill and Tootie Campbell of First Baptist Church came for chapel. Tootie led "Amazing Grace" after a resident led the opening prayer. Bro. Bill's message was "Words to Live By." Bible passage Psalms 1:16-18. A resident voiced the closing prayer. There were twenty one residents present.

Visitors were Marcia Moore, Emily Green, Becky More and 'Princess' of DeLeon.

Residents reported two gentlemen came and serenaded up and down the hall and the music was great! The men were Dr. Dan Brudnak on the banjo and Bro. Larry Stogsdill on the guitar. Thanks a lot and come again! Guests were Jerry Majors of DeLeon, Steve and Derenda Menten, Don

Wednesday afternoon Ina Smith had 'crazy bingo' for a large number of residents.

Landers, Annette Landers of Springtown.

Visiting were Jimmy and Verna Lee Little of Eastland, Nell Files of

Carbon, Zelda Jordan.

On Thursday morning, residents did 'exercise' with Ina Smith. Recent guests were Larry and Coleen Barnett of Wylie, Emmitt and Kay Lynn Lasater of Eastland, Ray Shipps of DeLeon.

On Thursday afternoon, it was time for Resident Council Meeting. Visiting were James and Mary Jesse of Ft. Worth, Sylvia Estes of Carbon and Bud Smithy.

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