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## Birdsonq Makes Donations To Gorman Area Organizations

Birdsong Peanuts recently made donations to several local organizations to assist them in furthering their

Becky Golden and Jackie Grice presented checks on behalf of Birdsong Peanuts to Tiffany Childers - who accepted for the Gorman PTO and the Gorman Baseball Commission and to Gene Foster - who accepted the donation on behalf of the Gorman Volunteer Fire Department.



(1 to r) Jackie Grice, Tiffany Childers and Becky Golden



(l to r) Jackie Grice, Gene Foster and Becky Golden

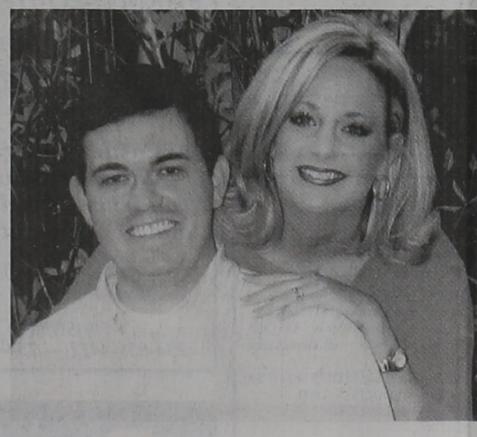
## July Wedding Planned

Chris and Ouida Gartman of Kamay and Ronnie Glen Nowlin of Dallas are pleased to announce the engagement and forthcoming wedding of their daughter, Tiffany Rene' Nowlin to Jonathan Glenn Lytle, son of Belvin and Debbie Lytle of Iowa

Grandparents of the bride-elect are Maxine Nowlin of DeLeon and Robert Chessley Atchison of Gorman. Jonathan's grandparents are Ruth Godfrey of Anson and Mamie Lytle of Wichita Falls.

Tiffany is a 1997 graduate of Iowa Park High School and a 2002 graduate of Tarleton State University. She is a Management Associate with Sewell Lexus of Fort Worth.

Jonathan is a 1997 graduate of Iowa Park High School. He is an internal Sales Associate for All-Tex Pipe & Supply of Dallas.



The couple are planning a July 30th wedding in Stephenville.

### **Ashlee Hornback Wins Contest**

Ashlee Hornback, a senior at Gorman High school, competed in the Comanche County Electric Cooperative Speech contest on Wednesday night. This year's theme was "What America Means to Me."

Ashlee gave a seven minute speech on this theme and was chosen as a winner of this competition. As a winner of, Ashlee received a nine day trip to Washington D.C. this summer.



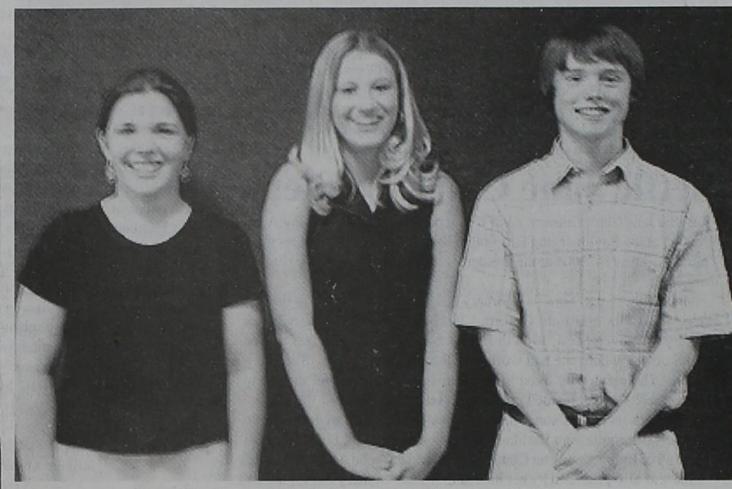
#### COMMUNITY-WIDE **GARAGE SALE**

City of Gorman maps available at City Grocery and Bob's Grocery

Begins at 8 a.m.

Validation for the State Fair of Texas in Dallas will be June 28, 2005 from 8:30 - 10:30 a.m. @ the Eastland County Show Barn.

### **Comanche Electric Announces** 2005 Youth Tour Winners



(1 to r) - Rachel York, Ashlee Hornback and Lance Pyburn

Two area high school students have been selected to represent Comanche Electric Cooperative in the 2005 Government-In-Action Youth Tour. Ashlee Hornback and Lance Pyburn were chosen by a panel of independent judges in a speech contest held Wednesday, April 13th at Comanche High School. This year's topic was: "What America Means To Me." They will join students from across the state of Texas in June for a day to get acquainted before flying off on a 10 day all-expense-paid trip to our nation's Capitol.

The Youth Tour is the second largest "grassroots" event of cooperative members that takes place in Washington, D.C., second only to the NRECA legislative conference held each year in May. For some, the Youth Tour is their first experience away from home. For many, it is their first trip to Washington where they have the opportunity to see our nation's history come alive. For students this year, the trip is more than seeing monuments and going to museums, it is about being a part of history - the 40th anniversary of the Youth Tour.

This trip is an opportunity for high school students to experience our country's national treasures, see our leaders in action and discuss the issues of the day with their congressmen and senators. Students also learn about the electric utility industry and the impact it has on our country.

Approximately 1,400 of America's best and brightest students, sponsored by their local rural electric cooperatives, will converge in the Capitol for this fast-paced trip of a lifetime.

Ashlee is a student at Gorman High and is the 17-year old daughter of Jeff and Jeanene Roemisch of DeLeon. Lance is a student at Comanche High and is the 17-year old son of Wade and Jodi Pyburn of Comanche. Rachel York, 18-year old daughter of Joey and Ruth York of Cisco was chosen as alternate winner. Rachel, who attends York Private Academy, would attend the 10-day trip should Ashlee or Lance have a conflict in schedule.

Comanche Electric is proud to be represented by such fine young adults in Washington, D.C. This is just part of the Co-op's commitment to the education of our youth and the communities we serve.

Thank you to all the area students who participated in the contest and congratulations to our 2005 winners!

### **Webb Makes Statement**

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you, the citizens of Gorman, for the privilege of serving you the last two years as your City Commissioner, and ask for the privilege of serving you for two more years. I believe we have made business like changes in the City government and I will continue to work for a business type, common sense to all decisions made.

With our tax base on the decline, we should be looking for a way to increase the tax base, with any new activity in what ever field it might be in.

I've lived in the community for over 45 years and the last 14 years in the City. I feel I know some of the problems facing the City and being retired I am available at anytime to help solve these problems.

Voting is one of the greatest privileges we have as an American Citizen, so I urge each one of you to vote on May 7th. I ask for your vote.

Thank you,

s/Durward Webb

### Cinderfella Contest

Sponsored by T.A.B. - Relay for Life

Emcee for the evening will be DeLeon's own Charles Chupp. Auctioneer will be Danny Burgess Our lovely judges will include:

Ray Shipps, Lana Sharp, Randy Barnes and Dan Holland Our Beautiful Ladies and Their Sponsors are:

Trixie from the House of Pierce - ZJ's Steakhouse Reburta from the House of Laminack - Laminaack Construction Marggie from the House of Herrera - City Grocery Flo from the House of Bullock - Diamond D Ranch Kristella from the House of Scitern - Dublin Livestock Auction

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Shinelle from the House of Lewis - Cain Electric

Come on out Tuesday, April 26th at 7 p.m. at the Gorman High School auditorium for a night filled with laughter. Admission will be donation only, and we will have some neat items to auction off, and all proceeds go to the American Cancer Society.

### Relay for Life - April 29

The Eastland County Relay for Life will be held at the Gorman track on Friday, April 29, beginning at 6:00 p.m. Relay teams will be selling enchiladas, fajitas, beans, funnel cake, sausage-on-a-stick and much more. There will also be live entertainment, so come on out and join us for the food and fun. All proceeds from the event will benefit the American Cancer Society.

### Relay for Life Garage Sale

The Gorman Sophomore Relay for Life team will be having a Garage Sale on Saturday, April 23, beginning at 6:30 a.m. Items include a treadmill, clothes, children's bedding sets, and much more. Please stop by 823 East. Lexington, just off of Highway 6 on the New St. Joe

All proceeds benefit the American Cancer Society. Call Amanda at 254-433-0049 for questions.

## Early Voting **Appointment** Clarification

The past few weeks a number of questions have been raised concerning the appointment of election officials for the school board elections to be held in May. The GISD Board of Trustees has appointed G. W. Maxfield as the election judge and Bob Powell as the assistant. The most recent controversy revolves around the appointment of Terry Treadway as the Early Voting Clerk because she was a school employee.

The following information will clarify the District is in compliance with the Texas Election Code. Section 83.006(b)(2) of the code states, "in an election in which an officer of the political subdivision is a candidate, an appointee's status as an employee of the political subdivision does not make the appointee ineligible for appointment as the clerk:...".

If you have questions concerning the school board election process or any election, you make contact the Elections Division of the Secretary of State at (800) 252-VOTE (8683) or click on the web site at www.sos.state.tx.us.

The Cancer Crusaders will have a drawing for a bench that is made out of weathered wood and has been accented with an American Flag painted by Bo Roberts. The bench is on display at Foster Floral. Tickets are \$5.00. To purchase a ticket, contact Cheri at 734-2668. All proceeds will be donated to the American Cancer Society.

### **Obituaries**

### **Nettie Una Denton**

Nettie Una Denton, age 93, passed away Friday, April 15, 2005 in the DeLeon Hospital. Services were Sunday, April 17, 2005 at the Church of Christ in Gorman with Larry Stogsdill officiating. Burial followed at the Gorman Cemetery.

Mrs. Denton was born January 18, 1912 in Killeen to Arthur N. Turner before Friday at 734-4342 or if or- Stevens, George A. Thorpe, Agnes and Effie (Medart) Turner. She married Leonard F. Cate on June 19, 1932 in Eastland County. He preceded her in death in March 1944. She later married Elbert I. Denton on April 4, 1945 in Gorman. He preceded her in death on November 8, 1966. She was a retired licensed vocational nurse and a member of the Gorman Church of Christ.

She is survived by two sons, Warren Cate of Midland and Bennie Cate of Bossier City, LA; one daughter, Doris Ely of Gorman; one brother, Lonnie Turner of Waco; three sisters, Helen Denton of San Angelo, Dorothy Beaty of Gorman and Juanita Spence of Little Elm; ten grandchildren, 25 great grandchildren and one great-great grandchild. She was preceded in death by a son, granddaughter, three sisters and two brothers.

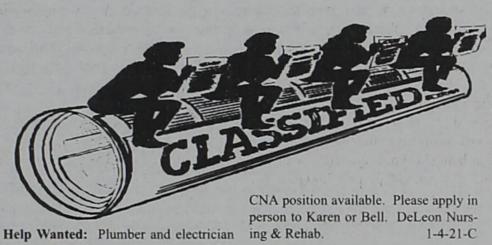
### **Bettie Jane Clark Guthery**

Bettie Jane Clark Guthery, 83 of Irving passed away on Tuesday, April 12, 2005 at the Baylor-Irving Hospital in Irving. Graveside services were Thursday, April 14, 2005 at the Desdemona Cemetery with Gary Hughes officiating.

Mrs. Guthery was born on February 8, 1922 in Desdemona to the late Harvey K. Clark and Eula Goforth Clark. She married Robert James Guthery on November 4, 1944 in Erath County, Texas. She was retired from Safeway where she had worked in the deli department. She was a Baptist. She previously lived in Desdemona where she later moved to Irving where she had resided until the present time

Survivors include a son, Robert James Guthery, Jr. of Irving; two daughters, Marquita Ann Barbham and husband Ron and Eula Elizabeth Cassol all of Irving; one sister Cleta Coffman and husband Alton of Ranger.

She was also preceded by her husband, Robert Guthery on August 24, 1996.



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10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Las Jalisco Ladies Relay Team

dering on same day call 734-4350. (may leave a message if no answer) Order forms may be filled out at City Grocery. Orders can be picked

#### Word of Thanks

up at Marco Herrera's house.

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Lora Faye Warren

### Thank You

I deeply appreciate all of the prayers, cards and flowers for me during my surgery and since I have been home. I thank my family for all their loving care. I am doing really well, and so happy to be

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### Curb Side Clean-Up May 5

Spring Clean Up will be on may 5, 2005. This will be curb side, this is also the 'first Thursday large item day' as well. Please do not put out tires, batteries, paint or any refrigerant products.

#### CITATION BY PUBLICATION THE STATE OF TEXAS

To: J. W. Henderson, Harry C. Lord, Carl J. Sittinger, Irene D. Sittinger, Richard A. Stevens, Holland A. Stevens, George A. Thorpe, Agnes C. Bowen, M. Eleanor Bowen, Marilyn L. Bowen, Alanson G. Bowen, and each of the unknown spouses, heirs, devisees, personal representatives, beneficiaries, successors, and/or assigns of the said J. W. Henderson, Harry C. Lord, Carl J. Sittinger, Irene C. Sittinger, To place an order call maribel Richard A. Stevens, Holland A. C. Bowen, M. Eleanor Bowen, Marilyn L. Bowen, Alanson G. Bowen, Greeting:

YOU (AND EACH OF YOU) ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to appear before the 91st District Court of Eastland County at the Courthouse thereof, in Eastland, Texas, In honor of National Volunteers by filing a written answer at or before 10 o'clock A. M. on the first The residents and staff of Heri- Monday next after the expiration of issuance of this citation, same being the 23rd Day of May, A.D. 2005, to Plaintiff's Petition filed in said court, on the 5th day of April, 2005, To all those who come and help in this cause, numbered CV-05with bingo and other games, hold 39,927 on the docket of said court church services, teach Sunday and styled W. G. Arnot, Jr., Plainfendants.

> A brief statement of the nature of this suit is a follows, to-wit: Petition for appointment of receiver under Article 64.091,

Texas Civil Practice and Remedies Code, to execute an oil and gas lease on the oil and gas and mineral interests owned by the Defendants in the following described land:

The North one-half of the Southeast one-quarter of Section 105, Block 3, H & T.C. Ry. Co. Survey, Abstract No. 180, Eastland County, Texas.

If this citation is not served within ninety days after the date of its issuance, it shall be returned unserved.

The Officer executing this writ shall promptly serve the same according to requirements of law, and the mandates hereof, and make due return as the law directs.

Witness, Imogene Tate, Dep. Clerk of the 91st District Court of Eastland County, Texas.

Issued and given under my hand and the seal of said court at Eastland, Texas, this the 5th day of April, A.D. 2005

Karen Moore Clerk, (Seal) 91st District Court Eastland County, Texas By (s) Imogene Tate, Deputy

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63A coastal, corrals, water wells, hunting. \$123,700. 7 A., 3/2, 2,347sf brick, carport, stock tank, corrals, RV shed, metal barn, 2 wells, hwy. frontage. \$145,000.

201 Acre. on Leon River, several ponds, woods, pecans, pasture, hunting. \$331,650 S O L D 90 A. Eastland Co., Hwy. frontage, 3 tanks, heavy cover for hunting, cultivation, home-

site. \$139,500 - CONTRACT 82 Acres at Proctor Lake, well, tank, home site, hunting & fishing. \$164,500 157 A. Callahan Co., 2 tanks, 6 wells, home site, coastal, cropland. \$196,250

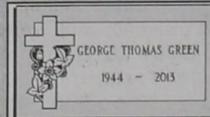
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### **Rock Bluff Cemetery** Thank You

A special Thank You to all that came Saturday to help clean and restore the Rock Bluff Cemetery. Restoring this cemetery is an on going effort. The people that have helped show that those who have gone before are not forgotten. This year two new markers were placed. Both of these replace sandstone rocks that marked graves. One family had been searching for twenty years to find their great-grandfather and now a nice marker is there for all to enjoy. The other marker was a joint effort of a community for a nanny that had no family. Several of the markers were repaired and cleaned. Flowers were placed at all of the children's graves. Next year there will be flowers for all. This cemetery's first grave is 1878 and the last buried is 1929. Several memorials were donated in memory of their loved ones. These were appreciated and will be used in placing a chain link fence around the cemetery. These memorials are appreciated and the names of these will be mentioned and remembered at each annual cemetery working. They are Vernon Stewart, Ruth George, W C Browning, Harold Belyeu, and Arvel E. "Junior" Smith.

The Rock Bluff Baptist Church donated a necessary building which we were all thankful for. A donation to the Rock Bluff Cemetery Association in memory of a loved one will be a living memory to them for all time.

Thank You

Friday--No school

Rock Bluff Cemetery Association

#### **School Menu**

Week of April 25 Breakfast

Monday--Cereal, yogurt, milk, juice Tuesday--Sausage pancake, oranges, milk, juice Wednesday--Cinnamon rolls, milk, juice Thursday--Waffle Stixs, milk, juice

#### Lunch

Monday--Tuna pr pimento cheese sandwiches, pork-n-beans, chips, pineapple pudding, milk

Tuesday-Chicken pot pie, salad, fruit, milk

Wednesday--Enchilada casserole, salad, Spanish rice, milk Thursday--Hot dogs, baked beans, fruit, choclolate chip bars, milk Friday--No school

#### CITATION BY PUBLICATION

THE STATE OF TEXAS

To: Johnnie M. Manning and wife Louise Manning, and each of the unknown spouses, heirs, devisees, personal representatives, beneficiaries, successors and/or assigns of the said Johnnie M. Manning and wife Louise Manning, Greeting:

YOU (AND EACH OF YOU) ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to appear before the 91st District Court of Eastland County at the Courthouse thereof, in Eastland, Texas, by filing a written answer at or before 10 o'clock A. M. on the first Monday next after the expiration of fortytwo days from the date of the issuance of this citation, same being the 23rd Day of May, A.D. 2005, to Plaintiff's Petition filed in said court, on the 5th day of April, 2005, in this cause, numbered CV-05-39,928 on the docket of said court and styled W. G. Arnot, Jr., Plaintiff, vs. Johnnie M. Manning, et al, Defendants.

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Issued and given under my hand and the seal of said court at Eastland, Texas, this the 5th day of April, A.D. 2005

Karen Moore Clerk, 91st District Court (Seal) Eastland County, Texas By (s) Imogene Tate, Deputy

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The family of Bettie Jane (Clark) Guthery would like to express "Thank" to their relatives who came with open arms and much love to help ease the pain of sorrow, to those who attended the graveside service, to the ladies who furnished food after the service and especially thanks to Donnie Nowlin and Carolyn for their love and caring ways during this time.

Marquita & Ron Barbham Eula Beth Cassol Jr. Guthery



### **Desdemona News**

BY VONNIE GUTHERY

will be held on Saturday, April 23 at the Community Center. Conces- mitted. sion stand opens at 5:30 p.m. with sandwiches, homemade pie and drinks for those who come early for and visitors are invited to attend. of the concession stand with helpers, Dixie Pack, Bobbie McKillip, Gay Monroe and Vonnie Guthery. a nobody. Pug Guthery serves as M/C with helper, Bernard Keith.

The descendants of W.N. and Emma (Wright) Fox held a family reunion on Saturday, April 16 at the Desdemona Community Center. There were thirty six to sign the reg-Eastland, Big Springs, Olden, Graham, Fort Worth, Arkansas, Pearland, Carbon, Sugarland, Graford, Gorman, Matador, Lingleville, Blanket, Stephenville, by Mr. Smith. Clyde and Desdemona. They reported an enjoyable day just visit-This family reunion is hosted each "Shorty" Fox all of Desdemona; Frances Lanham of Blanket. This family group made plans for next year's reunion at the same place, same time if the Lord is willing.

Our hearts were saddened on the passing of our sister-in-law, Irving following a lengthy illness. Burial was on Thursday in the Desclude a son, Robert James Guthery Jr. of Irving; two daughters, band, Ron and Eula Beth Cassol all to these people and get the truth. of Irving; a sister, Cleta Mae (Clark) Sincerely, Coffman and husband, Alton of Poast School Board President, Ranger; several nieces and nephews s/Glenn Glasson and a host of friends.

Preceded in death by her husband, Rob Guthery, her parents, Kitchell and Eula (Goforth) Clark; two brothers, Billy Joe Clark and bobby Lee Clark.

The Clark family are former residents of Desdemona where all their children attended school. Jane graduated with the Class of 1941.

Walter "Pat" Tarpley, 73, of Cross Plains passed away April 12, 2005. Burial was in the Downing Cemetery south of DeLeon. Survivors include his children and grandchildren. Preceded in death by his parents, Gid and Anna Tarpley. The Tarpley family are former residents of Desdemona where Pat attended school with the Class of 1950.

Grover Wayland, 79, of Big Springs passed away Wednesday, April 13, 2005. Burial was in the Mount Olive Memorial park near Big Springs. The Wayland family are former residents of the Jakehamon Community. Their children attended school in Desdemona. Grover was in the Class of 1943.

Boyd (Crenshaw) King passed away and was buried near Big Springs this past week. Survivors include a sister, Ruth Knaack of Desdemona. Boyd and Ruth are former residents of Desdemona where they lived with the late Jimmy and Inez (Snodgrass) Heeter. They attended school in Desdemona where Boyd graduated with the Class of 1933.

Luzelle Sims Blackwell, 87, of Ranger was buried on Wednesday,

Desdemona Monthly Musical April 13 in the Desdemona Cemetery. She attended school in Desdemona and attended the annual Homecoming as often as her health per-

> Our sincere sympathy goes out to these families who have lost their loved ones. Remember them with your cards and prayers.

Bernard and Ann Keith, Pug and Vonnie Guthery and Dorothy Robsupper. All area musicians, singers erts all of Desdemona; Jr. and Luella Trice of Lingleville; Roy Lemaster and Avie Taylor DeLeon attended the Strawn Monthly Musical last Sat-Dorothy Roberts serves as chairman urday night. There was a good crowd, good food and good music for

Thought for today—"Be Somebody"—God doesn't take time to make

Have a nice day, Coon.

### Letter to the Editor

After reading the letter to the editor from Betty S. Heathington in the Gorman Progress April 7th, I felt led to respond.

I would like to inform the public that every issue brought before the ister book. Relatives came from board by the Heathingtons, Mr. Smith and others was addressed immediately. Actions were taken on these issues before "they" involved the Texas Ranger, District Attorney, and school auditor. At the time of my resignation in June, the D.A. nor the Texas Rangers office, to my knowledge, had found no reason to take action regarding the accusations made

I understand as of this week the State Auditor is reviewing all records. I feel confident that after the completion of the audit their finding will be ing and playing games in the gym. positive toward the financial administration of GISD.

As for Attorney fees, it is good and necessary to consult attorneys year by Larry and Gay Moore, before making or changing school policies or when dealing with personnel issues. Also every time we made a decision we were challenged by the Heathingtons or Mr. Smith so our only recourse was to consult with school attorneys to be sure we were staying within the law.

After stating the above, I ask you, the community of Gorman, to look at whose integrity is being attacked—Mr. Vann, who I believe to be a fine Christian man, a great school administrator who has and continues to do Tuesday, April 12, 2005 to hear of a great job—The school board members, both past and present, who are all local good people that you know and have trusted with your vote-Bettie Jane (Clark) Guthery, 83, of Members of the staff and faculty of Gorman. Members of the staff and faculty of Gorman ISD.

For Betty Heathington to believe that these people would use GISD demona Cemetery. Survivors in- money for personal use or to violate state law is evidence that she does not know the people she is accusing or the community of Gorman.

It is my opinion that the integrity of these people should not be ques-Marquita Ann Barbham and hus- tioned any further. I encourage the voters, before going to the poles, go

#### NOTICE OF GENERAL ELECTION

To the Registered Voters of Gorman, Texas:

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City of Gorman Attn: Tacy Warren or Debra Clark P.O. Box 236 Gorman, TX 76454

Applications for ballot by mail must be received no later than the close of business on April 29, 2005.

Issued this the 14th day of April, 2005.

Tacy K. Warren

Presiding Officer

### Lady Panthers Finish Tied For 2nd In District 6-A District Play-Off With Albany TBA

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The regular season came to a close Monday for District 6-A. The state ranked Eula Pirates finished at the top by going undefeated at 6-0. The Lady Panthers and Albany are tied for 2nd with identical 3-3 records. Ranger finishes last at 0-6. The tie breaker system for district 6-A calls for a 1 game play-off to be played in order to determine the district runner-up representative for the softball state play-offs. The game date and site has yet to be determined by press time. Both schools are in TAKS testing and contacting school officials during this time has been difficult. Please feel free to call the school to find out the date and site. The game will likely be played Friday, Monday, or Tuesday.

The Lady Panthers played 3 games in a 7 day period and dropped 2 of those to fall to the 3-3 record that placed them in a tie with Albany. On April 12th the Lady Panthers dropped a game to Eula by a score of 0-10. Eula continued its dominance of class A and of District 6-A by compiling 14 hits and 10 runs in 5 innings. The Lady Panthers managed only 1 hit and no runs while committing 2 errors. Ashlee Hornback led all hitters by going 1 for 2 on the day. Kendra Swanner recorded 2 strike outs in 2 innings of relieve of starter Kristy Carlton.

The second game in those 7 days was a Saturday game at home against Albany. A win would have clinched a play-off spot for our Ladies and things looked good for the first 6 innings as Gorman led 4-2 going into the 7th inning. However, several walks and errors led to 6 runs in the top of the 7th for the Lady Lions and Gorman could not counter in the bottom half of the 7th resulting in a 4-8 loss for our Ladies. Albany scored 8 runs on 7 hits and committed 3 errors while Gorman scored 4 runs on 8 hits and committed 8 errors. Megan Lewis had a single and scored a run. Ashlee Hornback had a RBI single. Kendra Swanner had 2 triples, a RBI, and scored a run. Nikki Keith led all hitters with 2 singles, a double, a RBI, and 2 runs scored. Kendra Swanner recorded 4 strikeouts in 7 innings of work. The loss dropped Gorman's district record to 2-3 momentarily and improved Albany's to 3-3 therefore forcing Gorman to win its season finale against Ranger.

On Monday April 18th the Lady Panthers played their 3rd game in those 7 days against the Lady Bulldogs of Ranger. A loss would end all play-off hopes for Gorman but a win would force a tie for second and require a play-off to determine the district runner-up representative for the softball state play-offs. The Lady Panthers started off like they meant business by scoring two runs in the 1st and 1 run in the top of the third to take a 3-0 lead. After retiring six of the first 7 batters, the Lady Panthers struggled in the bottom of the third by giving up 4 Ranger runs. The Lady Panthers answered in the 5th inning after both teams were scoreless in the 4th. Gorman put of 3 runs in that 5th inning, but Ranger answered in the bottom half by scoring 3 of their own. Determined to win the Lady Panthers scored 2 more in the top of the 6th and then held Ranger scoreless in the bottom half to bring the score to 8-7 in favor of Gorman going into the 7th and final inning. The Lady Panthers tacked on 2 more runs in the top of the 7th to lead 10-7 going into the bottom of the inning. Despite giving up 2 runs the Lady Panthers recorded the final out on an exciting play at 3rd base to secure the 10-9 victory. The win evened Gorman's district record at 3-3 and forced a one game play-off with Albany. Ashlee Hornback had 2 singles and scored 2 runs. Megan Lewis had a single, was hit by the pitch twice, and scored 1 run. Kendra Swanner had 1 triple, a single, and scored 1 run. Brandy Carlton had a single, a RBI, and scored 2 runs. Rosa Herrera had 2 RBI's. Kristy Carlton had 2 doubles, a RBI, and scored 2 runs. Reba Granado had 2 singles and

Good Luck against Albany! Go Lady Panthers!

### CJC Band Concert

The Cisco Junior College Fine Arts Department is proud to present "The Sounds of Spring" featuring the CJC Concert Band and Jazz Ensemble. The concert will be held on the CJC campus in the Harrell Fine Arts Auditorium, April 22 at 7:30 p.m. Everyone is invited to enjoy this evening of music, and there is no charge for admission.

The concert will feature several student solos and ensembles. Guest artist William Owens, saxophone virtuoso, will be featured in a classic arrangement of "Flight of the Bumble Bee". "This performance will surely leave you in awe," commented Manny Martinez, CJC Director of Bands. The band will perform other popular spring selections ranging from patriotic songs to classic marches.

Martinez said that this will be a wonderful opportunity to hear a great assembly of students and directors from

CJC and area high schools, and the music will leave audiences with their toes tapping and a song in their hearts." This year's annual Spring Concert is being held in conjunction with the 2005 Folklife Festival, and the Lions Club Barbeque will be held prior to the concert from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.



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### **Heritage Manor News**

By Nancy Hendricks

#### Don't Think Too Small

"Make no little plans; they have no magic to stir men's blood and probably themselves will not be realized. Make big plans, aim high in hope and work. Remember that our sons and grandsons are going to do things that would stagger us."

"Make big plans"...such is the approach of God... "Go into all the world and preach the gospel..." "Now to Him who is able to do exceedingly, abundantly, beyond all that you ask or think..."

Our God is not a god of small plans and easy goals. He does not call us to be or pursue what is average. He calls us to live in faith and trust in His power; to believe that with God, "all things are possible."

It is easy to do things that are comfortable, affordable, simple and require no sacrifice. That takes no faith at all! Abraham would never have become the "father of the faithful" had he taken the easy way and stayed where he was comfortable. Moses was not called by God to do something simple, but to believe that with God, the impossible could literally be done and it was!

As Christians, we will never experience all that God has in mind for us when we aim low, and commit to only what is easy and requires no sacrifice. There will be no glory and no real gains made in that!

Refuse to settle for a faith that refuses the big challenges and is willing to pursue only what is easy. Refuse to settle for a faith that never calls upon the limitless power of God! Refuse to embrace the way that settles for small plans and easy goals. (provided by Larry Stogsdill)

The April Birthday party for residents will be Friday, April 29th at 2:30 p.m. Three residents will be honored for having April birthdays. Every one is invited to come and join us.

Some guests were Mary Margaret Hudson, Kay Ann Craddock, Paul and Pat Johnson of Lubbock, Clyde and DeSha Johnson of Stephenville, Roy and Charlotte Johnson of Desdemona.

On Sunday morning coming for Sunday School from First Baptist Church were Bobby Rich, Vickie Seay and Frances Warren. Bobby taught the lesson, "Impartial Love." Bible Passage, James 2:1-13, key Bible verse, James 2:1. Life question, 'How will real faith affect how I relate to others.' There were ten residents present and guests Howard and Pat

Some visitors were Rev. Clarence and Leona Wilson of Stephenville, Jimmy and Verna Lee Little of Eastland, Nell Files of Carbon, Zelda Jordan and Johnnie B. Griffith.

On Sunday afternoon, those coming from the Kokomo Baptist Church were Rev. Clarence and Leona Wilson, Zelda Jordan, Woodrow and Helen Browning, Joe and Glynda Bond, Johnnie B. Griffith, Jimmy and Verna Lee Little and Nancy Hendricks. Woodrow led singing and Glynda played the piano. Bro. Clarence's message was "God's Promise." Hebrews 11:13. Thirteen residents were present.

Recent visitors were Virginia Skaggs, James and Ruby Lee Kinser, Tootie Campbell, Irene West, Woodrow and Helen Browning, Winelle Browning, Louise Smart, Dene Hawkins, Glen and Shirley Clements.

Some guests were Dawn Roberts of Frisco, Kaylee Roberts, Kennard and Doylena Roberts of Gustine, Rodney and Vickie Roberts of Stephenville, Dorothy Roberts of Desdemona, Bo and Anna Lee Roberts, Levi Roberts, Kendra Roberts, Shavlor Roberts, Winston Brown, Shannon and Trinity Roberts.

It sure is nice to know that Joan Butler is home and doing well after

Recent visitors were Maudie Husband, Bill Moll, Bobby and Peggy Ingram of Cisco, Jackie Whitlock of DeLeon, Lee and Sue Pettigrew of Desdemona, Diana snider, Larry and DeLinda Snider.

Residents really appreciated the nice lap spreads that Bro. Harry and Jerrie Holt and the First Baptist Church of Carbon gave.

Some guests were Harold and Tody Zink, Dalton and Joy Watson of Ranger.

On Monday morning Ina Smith had RYBG for a number of residents. Recent guests were Dr. Michael and Marsha Whitehorn of Abilene, James and Mary Jesse of Ft. Worth, Sylvia Estes of DeLeon.

On Monday afternoon those coming for the Gospel Singing were Woodrow and Helen Browning, Pat Hagood, Winelle Browning, Ruby Lee Kinser, Billy Joe Dennis, Daisy Slaton, Ernestine Campbell, Marjorie Nell Treadway, and Nancy Hendricks. Bring the special music were Ruby Lee, Woodrow, Helen and Billy Joe. There were twelve residents attending. Billy Joe gave the dismissal prayer.

Some guests were Larry and Colene Barnett of Wylie, Emmitt and Kay Lynn Lasater of Eastland and Freddie Rodgers.

On Tuesday morning Pat Graham, Judy Killebrew, Jason Killebrew

and Ina Smith had bingo for eight residents. Some guests were Jewel Dean Morris and Bonnie D. Stewart of

DeLeon, Lendon and Shelly Morgan of Garland, Annie Fay Foster, Shelly Morgan of Garland, Annie Fay Foster, Pam Childers, and Edith Grumbles.

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

Residents were excited about Rev. Bill and Tootie's new grandson, Cole Patrick Purcell. He was born April 6, 2005, weighing 9 lbs and 6 oz and 22 inches long. He is the son of proud parents Coby and Carrie Purcell. He has a big brother, Ethan Jeffery.

Some visitors were Rex Kinser, Wilbur Overstreet, Kelly Carruth, June Carruth of DeLeon.

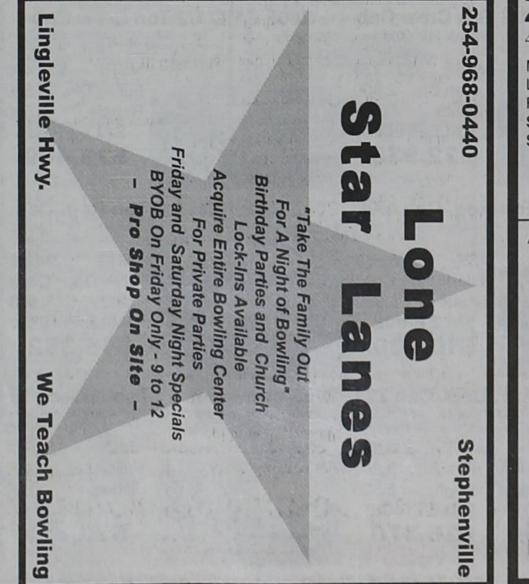
Tuesday afternoon, Shawnah Bass had "Caring Hearts" for several residents.

Recent visitors were Don Landers of Springtown, Marjorie Treadway, Ernestine Campbell, Jason Killeberw, Judy Killebrew of DeLeon.

Residents were happy for Dorothy Roberts of Desdemona to come

on Tuesday and style hair. Some guests were Mozelle Boucher of Stephenville, Cecil and Rena Mae Robertson of Brownwood, Mary Jeffs, Frances Warren, Donnie and

Nelda Mauney, Howard and Pat Hagood. On Wednesday morning Rev. Bill Campbell of First Baptist Church taught chapel. His sermon was, "Are You Ready?" Bible passage Romans 1:14-16. A resident gave the opening prayer and another led the



### **Kokomo News**

By Zelda Jordan

The revival at the Kokomo Baptist Church will continue through Wednesday night, April 20th. Bro. James Bond of Plano is preaching some wonderful sermons from the Word of God challenging us to rededicate Hendricks. our lives to Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ and to do more for Him each day. There has been beautiful special music by Daryl Hirst and Brenda Thomas and a quartet of Ruby Lee Kinser, Billy Joe Dennis, Helen and Woodrow Browning. There is such good congregational singing led by Daryl Hirst with Ruby Lee Kinser at the piano and Glynda Bond at the organ. If you've not attended you have certainly missed a blessing. There have been visitors from Lake Leon, Eastland, Gorman, Carbon, Cisco and Union near Rising Star. Thank you all for coming to worship with us, and we trust that you received a wonderful blessing Africa. Please put him on your prayer list. from the Lord.

There was a great time of visiting and fellowship on Sunday following the morning service as we gathered for lunch in the fellowship hall. and Glynda Bond.

Those visiting with Jimmy and Verna Lee Little on Saturday were Ray Neal and Melissa Little of Eastland, Emily Little and Kourtney of Abilene, Nelda, Cody and Jarad Fails of Arlington, James, Jill, Ashley and Breckley Little of Lake Leon,

closing prayer. There were eleven present.

Some visitors were John and Georgia Lee Hopper of Georgetown, Thomas and Vickie Seay, Bobby Rich, Daisy Slaton.

On Wednesday afternoon Ina Smith, Jason Killebrew and Judy Killebrew had bingo for residents.

Some guests were Bonnie Croft of Lake Leon, Max and Janice Grice of Brownfield, Billy Joe Dennis and Bro. Bill Campbell.

On Thursday morning Ina Smith had RYBG for several residents. Recent visitors were Kim Ryon, Eric Ryon and Zac Ryon of Desdemona, Jerry Majors and Jaron majors of DeLeon, Lendon Shipman and Derenda Minten.

Friday morning Pat Graham, Judy Killebrew, Jason Killebrew and Ina Smith had bingo for eight residents.

Willie Mae Cozart and Jimmy Dale Hendricks of Eastland.

Dave and Laneta Freeman and Bertie Stacy visited with Nancy

Joyce Eaves is home after spending several days in the Eastland hospital. We send get well wishes to her. Those visiting with Joyce were Bro. Clarence Wilson, Oren and Norma Webb, Nancy Hendricks and Zelda

Ken and Janie Riley of Midland and Zelda Jordan visited with Johnnie B. Griffith.

Jimmy and Maggie Nelson of Fort Worth spent the weekend at their farm home near Carbon. Jimmy left Monday on a mission trip to Malawi,

The annual Homecoming and Kokomo -Simpson Cemetery Association meeting will be held on Saturday, May 7 beginning with the business meeting at 11:00 a.m. at the tabernacle at Simpson Cemetery. Mark your Bro. James Bond is a houseguest of his brother and sister-in-law, Joe calendars and plan to attend. The map of the cemetery has been enlarged and put in a frame at the tabernacle at the Simpson Cemetery to make location of graves easier to find by those who are not familiar with the

> Cassie Brasher and Zelda Jordan were in Abilene on Monday for another check on Zelda's eyes, and did some shopping and enjoyed lun while there.

#### TERESA FINDLEY AND CHRIS TURPIN REPEAT VOWS

Teresa Ann Findley and William Christopher "Chris" Turpin of Fort Worth were married in a double ring ceremony in the Botanical Gardens in Fort Worth on March 20, 2005. The bride's father, Rev. Jimmy Nelson

The bride is the daughter of Rev. Jimmy and Maggie Nelson. Mr. and Mrs. Charles Sagar are the groom's adopted grandparents.

The bride was given in marriage by her father. Gladys Nelson, the bride's sister-in-law, was the matron of honor. Best man was Matt Pitts. Samantha Findley, daughter of the bride, was the flower girl. Quinton Findley, the bride's son, was the ring barrier. They are living in Fort Worth.

David and Cassie Brasher of Carbon, uncle and aunt of the bride, were among those attending the wedding.



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