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## Happy New Year



### CHEERS!

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Old Year pass  
Without a Word  
of "Thanks"

### CHEERS!

to our  
Friends and  
Customers.

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Continue to Earn  
Your Confidence  
in the Days Ahead.

Merry Christmas

From Joe - Lonnie

Correspondents - Zelda Jordan, Nancy Hendricks and Vonnie Guthery

### Annual New Year's Eve Singing Slated At New Hope Baptist Church Saturday, December 31

The annual New Year's Eve Singing will be held at New Hope Baptist Church on Saturday, December 31 beginning at 8 P.M. This long-standing event is a time for the entire community to come together and enjoy a time of celebration in welcoming the new year.

Singing continues until about 10 P.M. when there is a break for refreshments and visiting. After the break, the singing resumes and continues until midnight.

The program consists of a mix congregational singing, groups, solos, and instrumentals. Please accept our invitation to come and be a part of this joyous time of celebration and praise.

### Gorman Livestock Show

#### Thank You To Everyone Who Helped

Mr. Boles and the Gorman Livestock Raisers would like to thank everyone who participated at our local show. To all of the parents, grandparents, aunts and uncles, and friends who helped in the concession, or getting animals and kids ready to show, or just your support in attendance, "thank you". To Mr. Bob Bailey, our county agent, thank you so much for being such a terrific M.C. You kept everything moving and kept a lively atmosphere. You and Vicki Rich really got the job done in letting everyone know the end results!

We would like to name those who made a big difference by purchasing a trophy or rosette for the show. If we leave anyone out, please let us know. It will simply be accidental. We do appreciate everyone's help.

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Res. Grand Champ. Goat Trophy - Billy Earl and Francis Simpson  
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Jr. Showman Trophy - Kay Henry  
Pee Wee Showman Rosette - James and Ellen Tucker  
Grand Champion Lamb Trophy - Shawn Boles  
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Jr. Lamb Showman Trophy - Marvin & Louise Rich  
Pee Wee Lamb Showman - Randy and Lisa Laminack  
Grand Champion Swine - Bo and Pat Caraway  
Reserve Grand Champion Swine - Phil and Melissa Osborne  
Sr. Swine Showman Trophy - Tacy and Madison Warren  
Jr. Swine Showman Trophy - Larry and Kristie Thompson  
Pee Wee Swine Showman - Lola Graham  
Champion Berkshire Rosette - Cecil and Christine Self  
Reserve Champ. Berkshire - Billy Earl and Francis Simpson

### ATTENTION TEENAGERS:

#### Party at God's House on New Year's Eve

Party at God's House is a safe and wholesome alternative to the usual party scene on New Year's Eve. The event is a cross-denominational New Years Eve party created specifically for teenagers (7th thru 12th and college singles). The Party will be December 31st at River of Life Youth Center in Eastland, TX. There is no entry fee and the event will begin at 9:00 p.m. and end at 1:00. A 25-cent menu of nachos, hot dogs, and corn dogs will be available; however, drinks and sweets are free. The party will consist of two local Christian bands, Nobody Famous and Branches. Trustworthy parents and Youth Ministers from around the county will be overseeing every aspect of the event.

Free transportation will be provided from Firstfruits Christian Fellowship. The church van will depart at 8:30 p.m. and return around 1:30 a.m. Please call Firstfruits Christian Fellowship at 254-734-3203 to RSVP or to inquire.

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Reserve Champ. Cross - Don and Marceil Laminack  
Champion Poland - Marvin and Louise Rich  
Champion Spot - Daryl and Cecilia Hirst  
Reserve Champion Spot - Charles and Carolyn Little

Also last, but certainly not least, thank you to Lonnie and Joe Bennett for the use of the digital camera and for publishing our results. We appreciate the extra help.

**REMINDER**  
THE LARGE ITEM  
TRASH PICK UP  
WILL BE  
JANUARY 5, 2005.

THANK YOU ALL!!!

The Photos From the Livestock Show are on Pages Four and Five



# Obituaries

## Maria (Cuca) Madera

Maria (Cuca) Madera, age 68, died Thursday. She was born June 13, 1937 in Heujuquilla Jalisco, Mexico. She married Zenon Madera in 1958 in Jalisco, Mexico.

She is survived by her husband, Zenon Madera of Gorman; five sons, Enrique Madera and wife, Elvia, Jose Madera, Zenon Madera and wife, Elizabeth, Genaro Madera and wife Melissa, and Ramiro Madera and girlfriend, Katie Davis; three daughters, Amalia Madera and husband Mario Rodriguez, Gloria Garcia and husband David, Mela McCormick and husband Lee; 13 grandchildren, Enrique Madera, Jr., Ivan Madera, Lydia Madera, Timothy Guerra, Eric Madera, Kassie Madera, Gerardo Madera, Beto Madera, Andy Madera, Yulissa Madera, Alexia Madera, Fernando Madera and Genaro Madera, Jr.; and 6 step children.

## Eddie Wayne Shugart

Eddie Wayne Shugart, age 60, of Palmdale, California passed away December 19, 2005.

A graveside memorial service was at 2:00 p.m. Wednesday, December 28, 2005 at Simpson Cemetery with Larry Stogsdill officiating.

Eddie Shugart was born July 29, 1945 in Ranger, Texas to Alfred Cecil Shugart and Anna Mae (White) Shurgart. He married Bonnie Blackmon on October 5, 1972 in Springtown, Texas. He was a U.S. Army veteran serving in Vietnam and a member of the Church of Christ. He was an electrical engineer for Lockheed Aircraft.

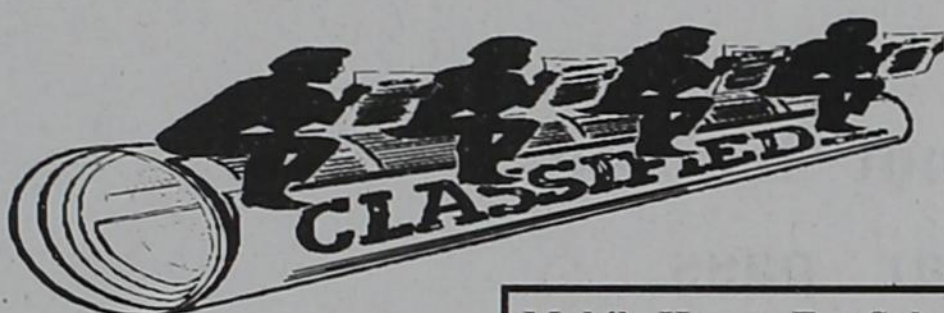
Survivors include, wife, Bonnie Shugart of Palmdale, CA; son, Christopher Shugart of Irving, CA; two daughters, Celeste Shugart and Crystal Shugart both of Palmdale, CA; one brother, Joe Shugart of Houston and one sister, Wanda Murders of Texas.

## Olan Everett Helms

Olan Everett Helms, age 83, passed away Thursday, December 22, 2005 at the Heritage Manor Nursing Home in Gorman.

Graveside service were at 11:00 a.m. Tuesday at the New Dublin Cemetery in Dublin, Texas with Richard Watson officiating.

Mr. Helms was born on September 12, 1922 in Coleman, Texas. He married Margaret Horine in 1972 in Dublin. She preceded him in death on January 18, 2005. He was a retired automobile mechanic.



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## Note Of Thanks

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Familia Madera

On behalf of the family of Maria Madera, we would like to send all of our sincere thanks to everyone for their prayers, to those who paid their respect, sent flowers and food.

## Card of Thanks

Willo and I want to thank everyone who helped or said a prayer for us at our time of need when I had my heart attack. Thanks for phone calls and visits while I was in Hendricks Hospital. A Special Thanks to First Responders Charlie and Blake and to Sid Fischer, Jerry and Virginia Skaggs and Brother Barry.

John Rice

Thank you all.

Madera Family

## A Word in Season

By Pastor Dane Gressett

### BLESSED ARE THE PURE IN HEART

"Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God." (Matthew 5:8)  
It's interesting what people will do to get a better view of something they treasure. Look at what people are paying for the choice seats at a Bowl games. There's something about being close to the action, right upfront. My wife and I are in the process of developing a home site on a piece of property we own. Bulldozing, chainsawing, and hours of hard work have been invested to position our house for the optimum view.

Depending on the value of the object we want to see, we are often willing to sacrifice almost anything. I know of a married man, a professing Christian, who was terribly addicted to internet pornography. It led him to the depths of moral impurity and perversity. Over time he began to hate himself. He tried over and over to break free of his life-controlling addiction but always found himself drawn back into the trap. He even got professional counseling, but to no avail.

Then one day his attention was drawn to our Bible verse: "Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God." The terrible cost of his impure heart suddenly occurred to him: he could not see God. His sinful heart had separated him from the reality of a loving and living heavenly Father. This was not just a guilt trip, however. It was actually a promise that resulted in real hope! Of all the complications and trouble that had come into his life as a result of his sin, he had not realized his greatest loss. The best views of God are reserved for those with truly pure hearts. Is it any wonder that so many people in our sensual society have so little concern for or understanding of the true character and nature of God? We burn the candle on both ends trying to afford bigger television screens, or homes with mountain views, or more erotic stimulation. All the while we forfeit the only view that can actually set our hearts free and fill us with eternal pleasure. The pure in heart will see God. (Questions or comments? Email dane@txol.net)

## Cody Van Simpson Graduates From Texas Tech

Cody Van Simpson is a recent graduate of Texas Tech University. Cody received the degree of Bachelor of Business Administration in Business Management in Tech's Commencement Exercises on December 17, 2005.

Cody is a 2001 graduate of Gorman High School. He is the son of Jack and Becky Simpson of Brownfield, Texas and formerly of Gorman. He is the grandson of Darrell and June Dossey and Zena Simpson of Gorman.

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I hope that everyone had a wonderful Christmas with family and friends, and I wish all a very Happy New Year.

A wonderful time was had by all who attended the Christmas program at the Kokomo Baptist Church on Wednesday night, Dec. 21. Woodrow Browning led the Christmas songs with Helen Browning at the piano and Glynda Bond at the organ. The little children all enjoyed a visit with Santa, and the older ones helped Santa distribute the gifts from under the Christmas tree. Santa had a bag of fruit and candy for everyone in attendance. Following the activities in the auditorium everyone went to the fellowship hall for a supper of barbecue sandwiches, chips, cold drinks and coffee and peach and cherry cobbles. There were many visitors and it was a wonderful time of fellowship with one another. Our visitors are always welcome.

There was only one service at 10:00 a.m. at the Kokomo Baptist church on Sunday, Christmas Day. Woodrow Browning led several Christmas Hymns with Helen Browning at the piano. "Happy Birthday To Jesus" was sung at the request of Rachel Snider. Jimmy Little read the Christmas Story from Luke 1: 1-20. Visitors were Stacy, LaDawn and Alexis Snapp of Lewisville, Larry and Paula Morrow of Plains, Nelda Fails of Arlington and Aline Garrett of Gorman.

Church services will be at the regular time on New Year's Day with Sunday School at 10:00 a.m. and worship service at 11:00 a.m. and the evening service at 5:00 p.m. Rev. Jerry Speer of Ranger will be the speaker.

Those enjoying a Christmas celebration in the home of Imogene Norris on Saturday, December 17th were Larry and Paula Morrow and Layne, Darla and Sawyer Morrow of Plains, Lance, Toni, Colton, Dylan and Ashtyn Morrow of Weatherford, Lenny, Rachelle, Landon and Landry Elizabeth Morrow of Ozona; Ronnie and Jeanna Pack of Carbon, Cory and Cynthia Pack, Rayna and Raygan of Wichita Falls, Ronald, Lacy and Gracie Majors of Gorman; James, Jo and Jason Norris of Flatwood, Allan, Jana and Cody Lynch of Denton, Donald, Jodi, Mathew and Nathan Majors of Carbon; and Randy and Lisa Lewis of Stephenville.

On Sunday, December 18th, Larry and Paula Morrow of Plains had their family Christmas celebration at their farm at Kokomo. Those attending were their children and grandchildren, Lance and Toni Morrow, Colton, Dylan and Ashtyn of Weatherford, Layne and Darla Morrow and Sawyer of Plains and Lenny and Rachelle Morrow, Landon and Landry Elizabeth of Ozona.

Those enjoying a Christmas celebration with Delmon Eaves on Thursday, December 22 were Randy, Deliah, Chris and Jon Lewis of Ennis, Bill and Paulette Black and Children of Cleburne, Matt and Amy Hawkins and Children of Keller, Verda Jean Eaves and Donald Eaves of Mangum and Kenneth and Maggie Eaves of Eastland.

Delmon Eaves, Kenneth and Maggie Eaves and Tammy Spurlen of Eastland enjoyed dinner on Christmas Day with Verda Jean and Donald Eaves at Mangum.

Oren and Norma Webb went to Austin on Saturday to celebrate Christmas with Judy and Sarah Porter, Scarlett and Tina Torres of Austin, Amanda Porter and John Meldie of Elgin, James Webb of Granbury, Jacob and Alice Webb of Burleson and Stacy Webb and Renee Fox of Granbury. They returned home on Sunday afternoon.

Joe and Glynda Bond visited in Copperas Cove from Saturday until Monday with Shannon, Stephanie, Raegan, Sydnie and Joey Bond. They all enjoyed supper on Christmas Eve with Stephanie's parents, Don and Gayle Lakin and attended a Saturday night Church service. They attended church on Sunday morning with Shannon and family and then they all had Christmas Dinner with Don and Gayle Lakin. Raegan Bond returned home with her grandparents on Monday for a visit this week.

Ashley and Breckley Little and Tori Hart visited with Jimmy and Verna Little on Wednesday.

Ray Neal and Melissa Little of Eastland, Emily Little, Mike and Courtney Peacock of Abilene, Nelda, Cody and Jarad Fails of Arlington, James, Jill, Ashley and Breckley Little enjoyed dinner and a Christmas celebration with their parents and grandparents, Jimmy and Verna Little on Saturday.

LaVon Snider enjoyed a Christmas celebration on Friday with Ted and Charlotte Snider and their family: Jamie, Stephanie, Craig, Mathew, Anna and Andrew Snider of Hollis, OK, Susan, Clay, McKinsey, Caitlin and Kyann Wheat of Ranger and Toby, Angie, Karina, Karley and Klarissa Snider of Lake Brownwood.

Dwayne and Connie Snider of Stephenville visited with LaVon Snider on Wednesday night after the church program at the Kokomo Baptist Church. Justin Snider also visited with LaVon.

Those celebrating Christmas with Gene and Kay Snider on Christmas Eve were Kathy, Dale, Scott and Matt Collum of Huckabay, Mike, Crystal, Rachel and Michelle Snider of Gorman, Lottie Morris of Gorman, LaVon Snider, and Dwayne and Connie Snider of Stephenville.

John and Troy Scitern, Tommy

and Laverne Carr of Lake Whitney, Mickey Carr of Dallas, Kris, Kristen and Karsyn Scitern, and Nicholas, Keri, Kelsey and Nashton Guthery of Gorman enjoyed dinner on Christmas Day with Johnny and JoAnn Scitern.

Lester and Alice Rich of Grand Junction, CO visited recently with his sister, Troy and John Scitern.

Doug, Carole and Joe Little of Midland and David Little of Las Cruces, NM visited with Betty Little during Christmas. Karen Little of Eastland was ill and unable to join the celebration.

Those attending the Christmas dinner and celebration on Christmas Eve at the home of Charles and Carolyn Little were Ima Boles of Granbury, Betty Little, Doug, Carole and Joe Little of Midland, David Little of Las Cruces, NM, Bobby and Mary Jane Little, LaDawn, Stacy and Alexis Snapp of Lewisville, Jimmy and Verna Lee Little, Ray Neal and Melissa Little of Eastland, Emily Little and Courtney of Abilene, Nelda, Cody and Jarad Little of Arlington, James, Jill, Ashley and Breckley Little, Caye, Scotty, Zack and Zane Mauney of Santo, Charla Burgess of Gorman, and Alan, Shellie, Justin, Ally and Emma Little.

Those enjoying supper and a Christmas celebration on Christmas night with Charles and Carolyn Little were Caye, Scotty, Zack and Zane Mauney of Santo, Charla and Danny Burgess of Gorman, Alan, Shellie, Justin, Ally and Emma; Doug, Carole and Joe Little of Midland, David Little of Las Cruces, NM, and Jennifer Martinez and Eli of Abilene. Justin and Ally Little and Zane Mauney are visiting a couple days this week with their grandparents, Charles and Carolyn Little.

Arleen and Terry Barfield and children, Andrew, Jonathan, Michael and Lauren of Tyler and LaDawn, Stacy and Alexis Snapp of Lewisville spent Christmas Day with their parents and grandparents, Bobby and Mary Jane Little.

Jimmy and Verna Little and Nelda Fails of Arlington enjoyed a Taco lunch with James, Jill, Ashley and Breckley Little on Christmas Day. Nelda returned to her home on Sunday afternoon.

Nancy Hendricks had dinner with Doris Bradshaw on Christmas Day and they visited in the afternoon with Jack and Freda Bradshaw and family in Eastland.

Those visiting with Durwood and Aletha Burgess during the Christmas Holidays were Joyce Pence and grandchildren, Sam and Lanie Pence of Granbury, Lisa Pence of Stephenville, Gary, Ann and Ginger Burgess of Gorman, Marco, Sonya, and Bryson Herrera of Gorman, Billy and Cheryl Burgess of Granbury, Alissa Burgess of Bryan, Danny and Charla Burgess of Gorman, Jeff, Angela, Chelsea and Haley Buckley of Desdemona, Ben Burgess and Aline Garrett of Gorman.

Donna, Gary, Lesley, Melanie and Garrett Gatlin and Gary, Rebecca and Emily Browning all of Graham came on Monday for a Christmas Celebration with their parents and grandparents, Woodrow and Helen Browning. They remained for a few days visit this week.

Zelda Jordan visited from Saturday until Monday in Abilene with a granddaughter and family, Sheri, Wade, Ryan, Kody and Emily Daniell. They enjoyed an afternoon meal and gift exchange in the home of Wade's parents, Loyd and Gail Daniell on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day dinner in the Loyd Daniell home. Tanner Daniell of Abilene was also a visitor on Christmas Eve.

Zelda enjoyed watching Ryan, Kody and Emily find their Christmas gifts on Christmas morning and then attended church services with Wade, Sheri, Ryan, Kody and Emily at Lytle South Baptist Church. They also enjoyed a Christmas telephone visit with Glenda Black who is working hurricane insurance claims in Tallahassee, FL and was unable to get home for Christmas. There will be a belated Christmas celebration for the Jordan family when the work in Florida is finished and all the family can get together.

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## EDC Talk

Last week, Mr. Doug Ridge, a representative from Governor Rick Perry's office, gave a presentation at the West Central Texas Workforce Development Board's monthly board meeting regarding Economic Clusters.

It seems like Tim McGraw's song about the changing times applies to this topic. Not too many years ago, a Cluster would have been signified by either Peanut, Cashew or Pecan and was covered in chocolate. Today, "clustering" is a buzzword, and is defined as relational businesses that supply a competitive advantage...Regional assets inter-connecting to create economic opportunity and prosperity.

We are very fortunate here in Texas, that our governor understands the importance of this new wave of economic development and has funded both the physical and intellectual pursuit of "clustering". A new program known as the Texas Industry Cluster Initiative has targeted six particular areas: Advanced technology and Manufacturing, Aerospace and Defense, Biotechnology and Life Sciences, Information and Computer Technology, Energy and Petroleum Refining and Chemical Products.

You may be asking yourself how any of these areas can affect us here in Gorman. And it's true, as rural Texans; we certainly could not go after just any of these categories. But the idea is to stimulate thought regarding the clustering. One area that has had significant effort and will continue to be developed in the coming months and years is the area of complementary health services.

The last line of the Gorman Community Vision statement reads "ENHANCING OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE CONTINUED GROWTH OF COMPLEMENTARY HEALTH CARE SERVICES." The Pharmacy next to the Clinic is a 'cluster'. And as we continue to work with the health care professionals in our community and surrounding area, we will work to develop a list of needed services that could possibly be performed here in Gorman. We have high-speed broadband, [thanks to Charlie Garrett library—a TIF grant recipient], and its fast enough to perform streaming video for training or evaluations of any sort.

There is not enough space in this column to put all the possibilities. So let us all just realize that the possibilities are there! Technology WILL be involved in our future, for all of us. Let's go out and find it, and accommodate its needs and enjoy the rewards of our community leaders and their efforts to provide the infrastructure and vision to bring some new and exciting "clusters" to our Region.

Happy New Year!

## From the Manger To The Cross

It is that special time of year. We celebrate Christ's birth. Remembering the Angel's song, of peace to men on Earth.

The plan of god for all mankind, he sent his only son. To be a shining, guiding light, until his task was done.

A stable for his place of birth, A feed trough for his bed. Bundled up in cast-off rags, just like the angel said.

What kind of king is born like that, in such a humble way. Kings should be in riches born, the so-called wise would say.

This gift from God would also die, A most inhuman death. And on that cross, forgiveness give, with his last dying breath.

Most people get, this time of year, wrapped up in worldliness. Of parties, gifts, and selfish thoughts I'm guilty, I confess.

But, just this once, let's separate The silver from the Cross. Let's humbly think of God's own son From manger to the Cross.

Darrell Graham



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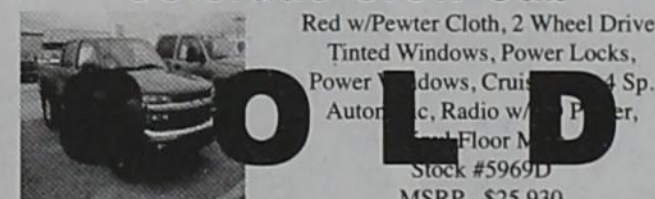
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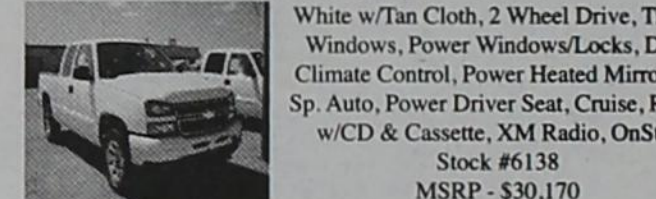
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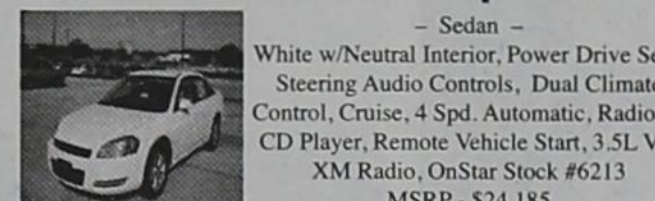
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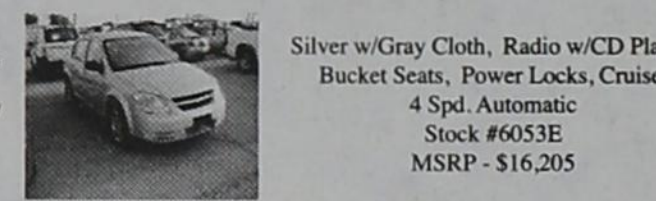
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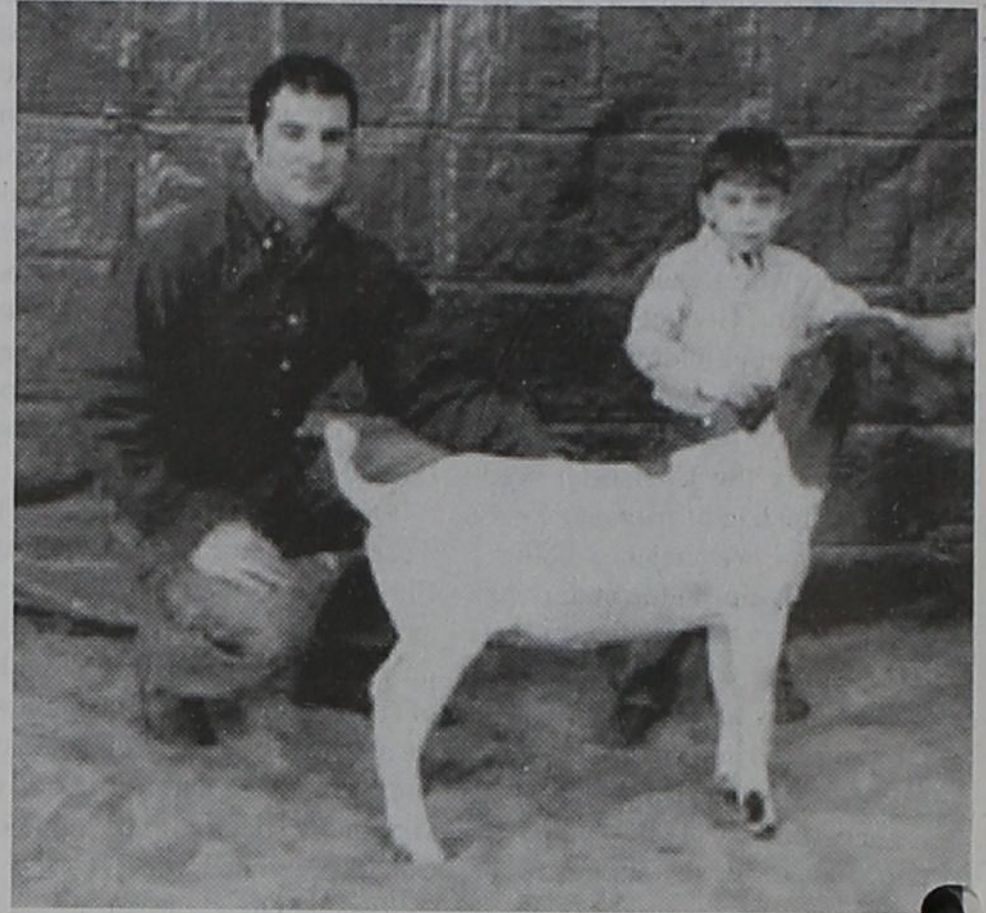
We will be closed Monday, January 2nd to Welcome The New Year. We wish you a Safe and Happy Holiday and Look Forward To Doing Business With You In "2006"



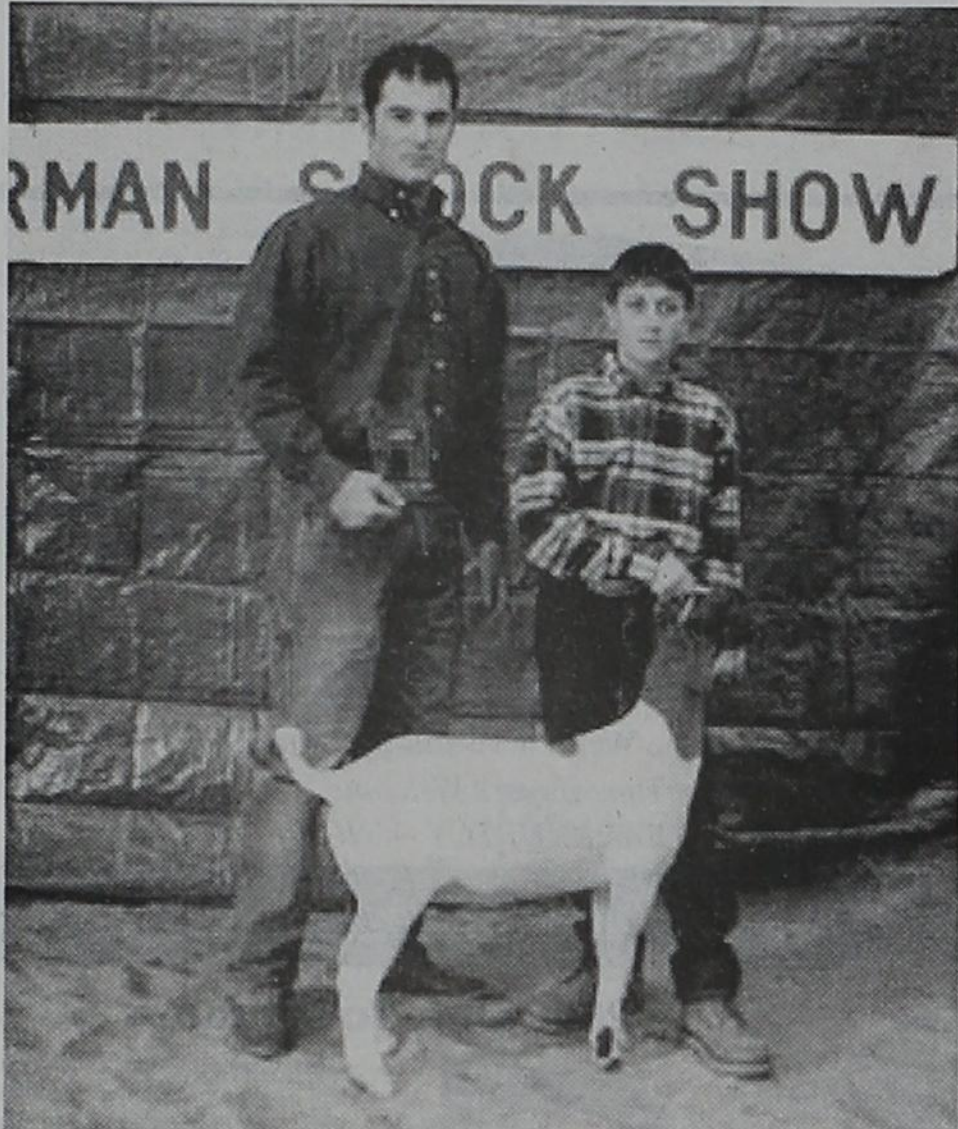
# Gorman Livestock Show



Showing of Goats During Livestock Show Saturday



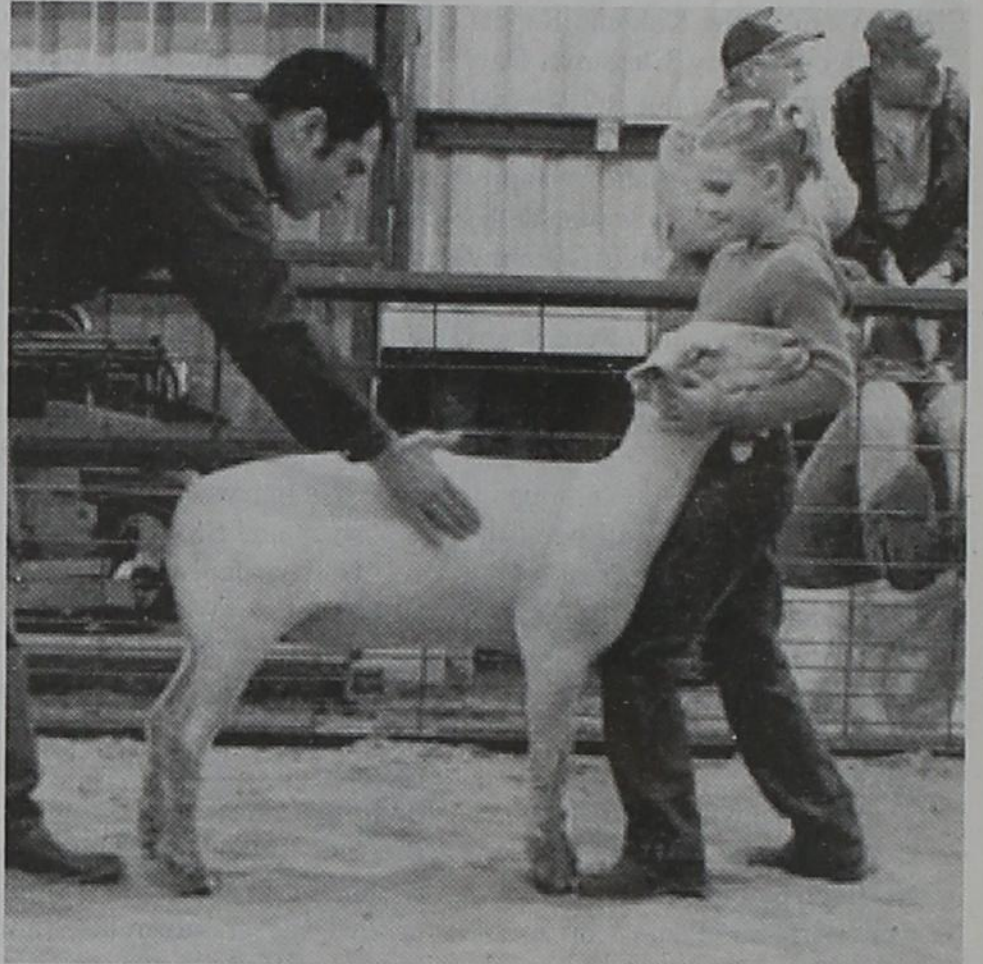
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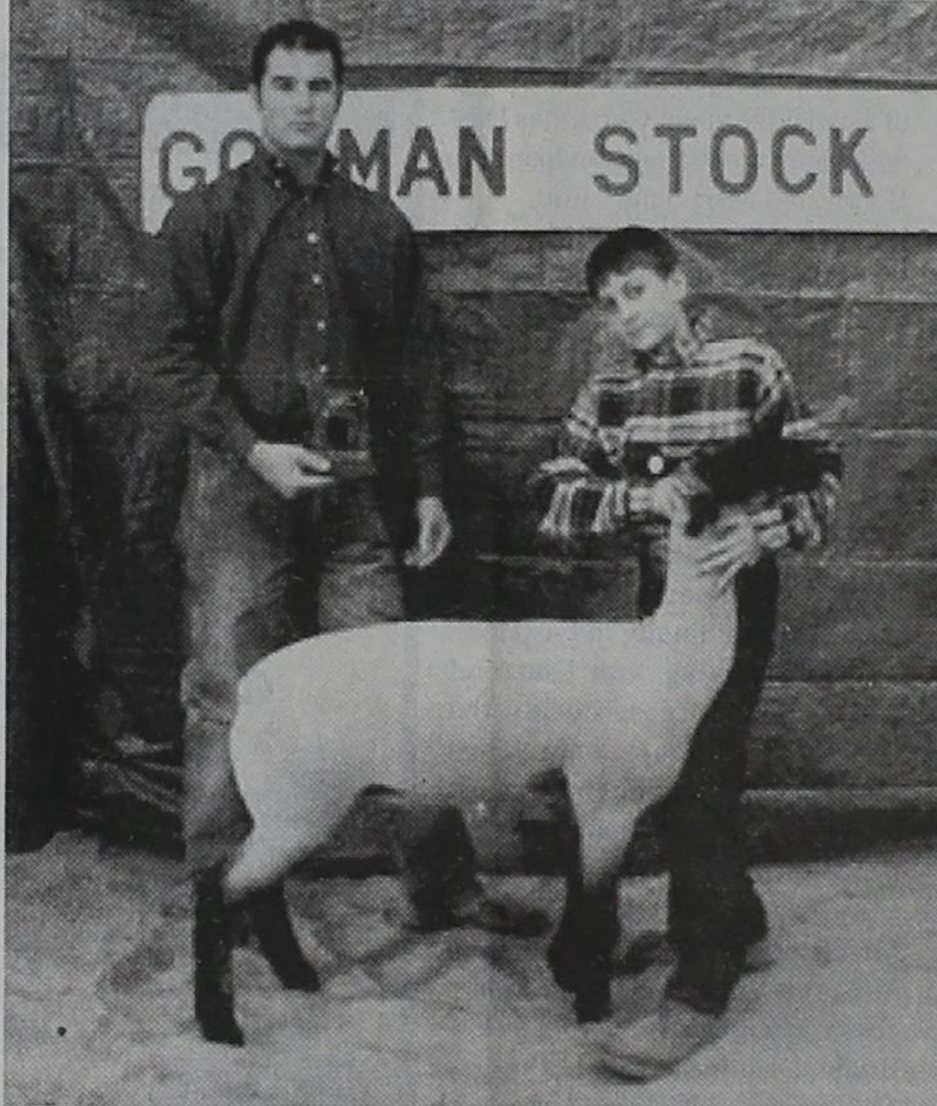
Grand Champion Goat - Nathan Ettinger



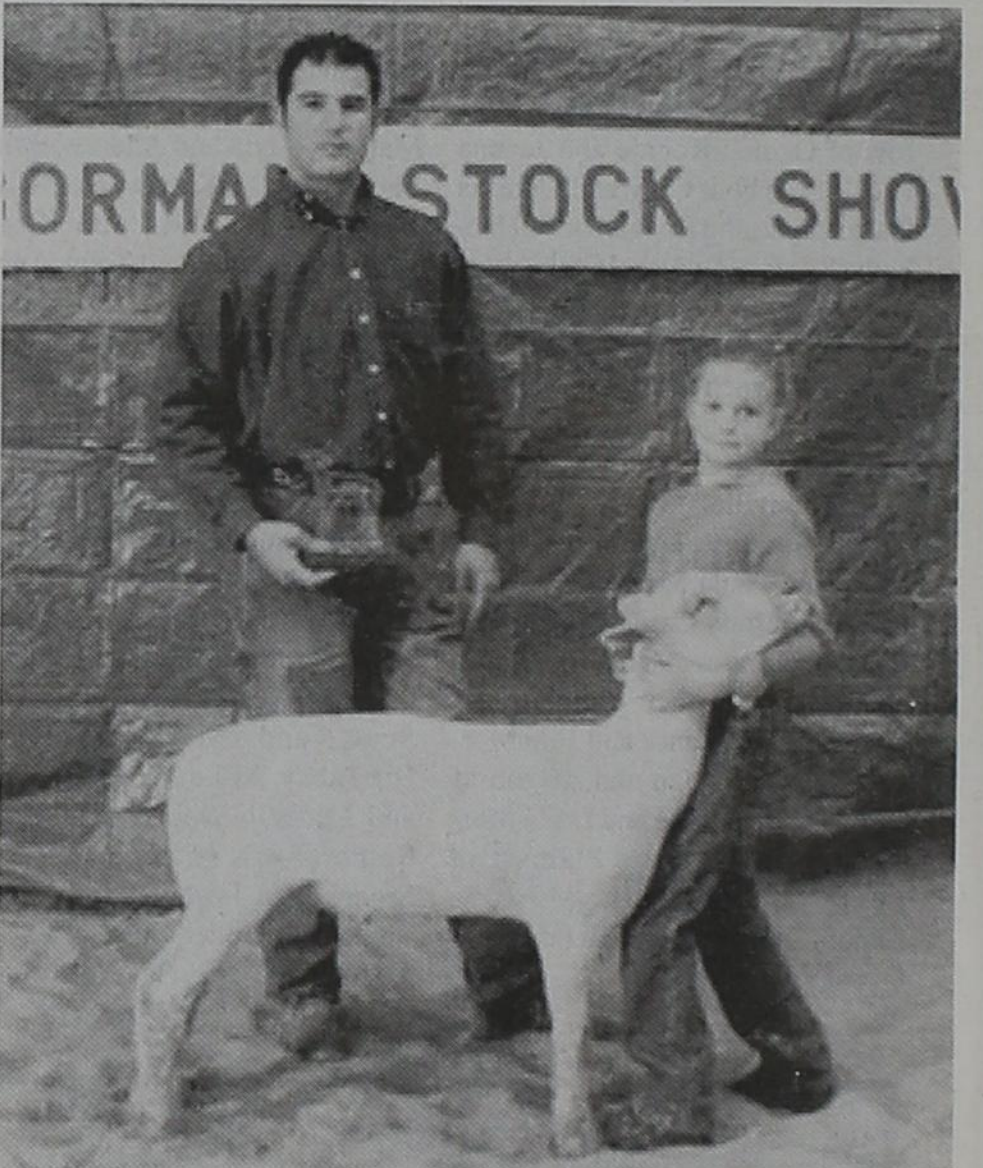
Vicki Rich and Bob Bailey. Bob was the announcer and Vicki kept records of how the kids placed



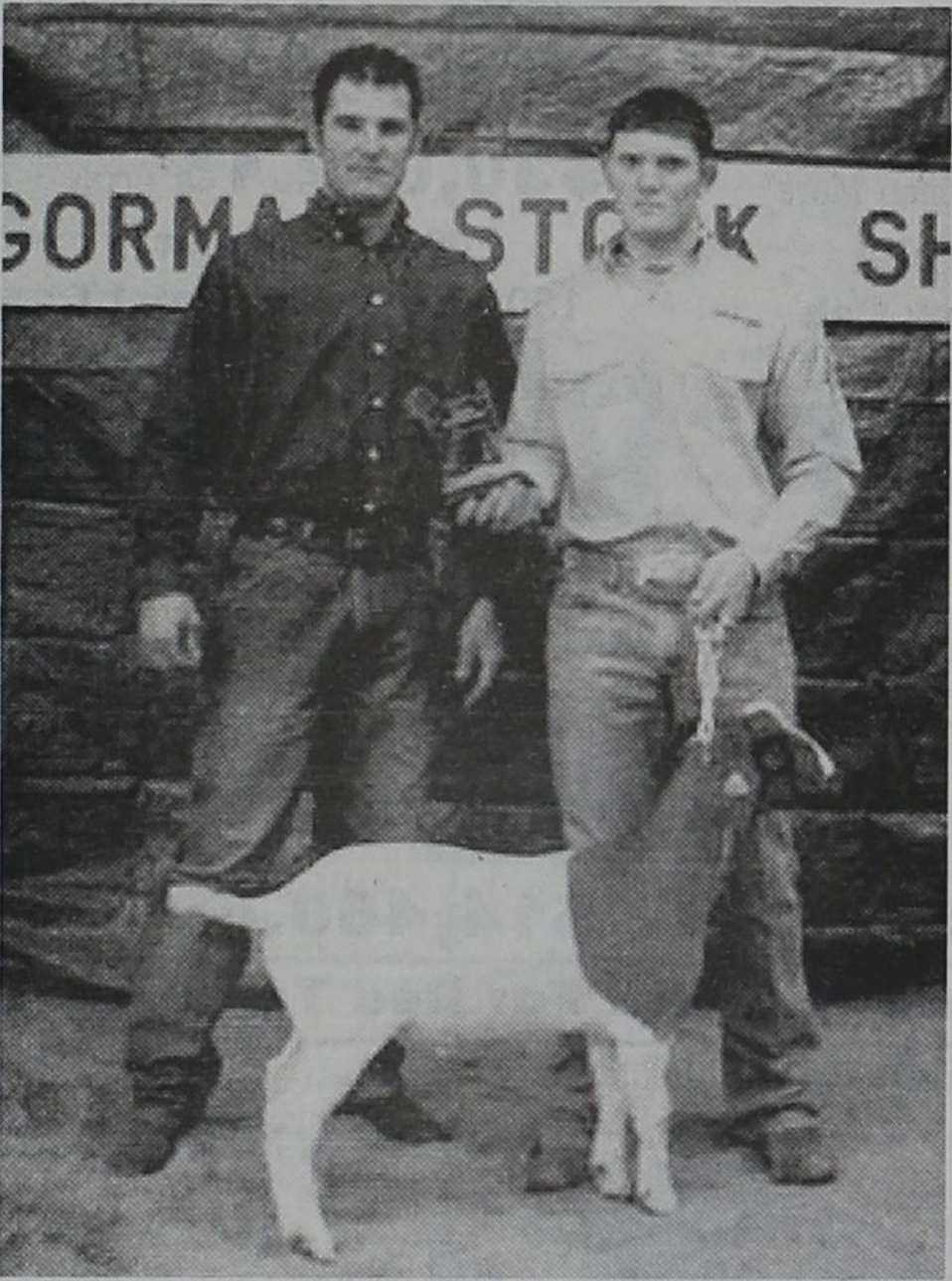
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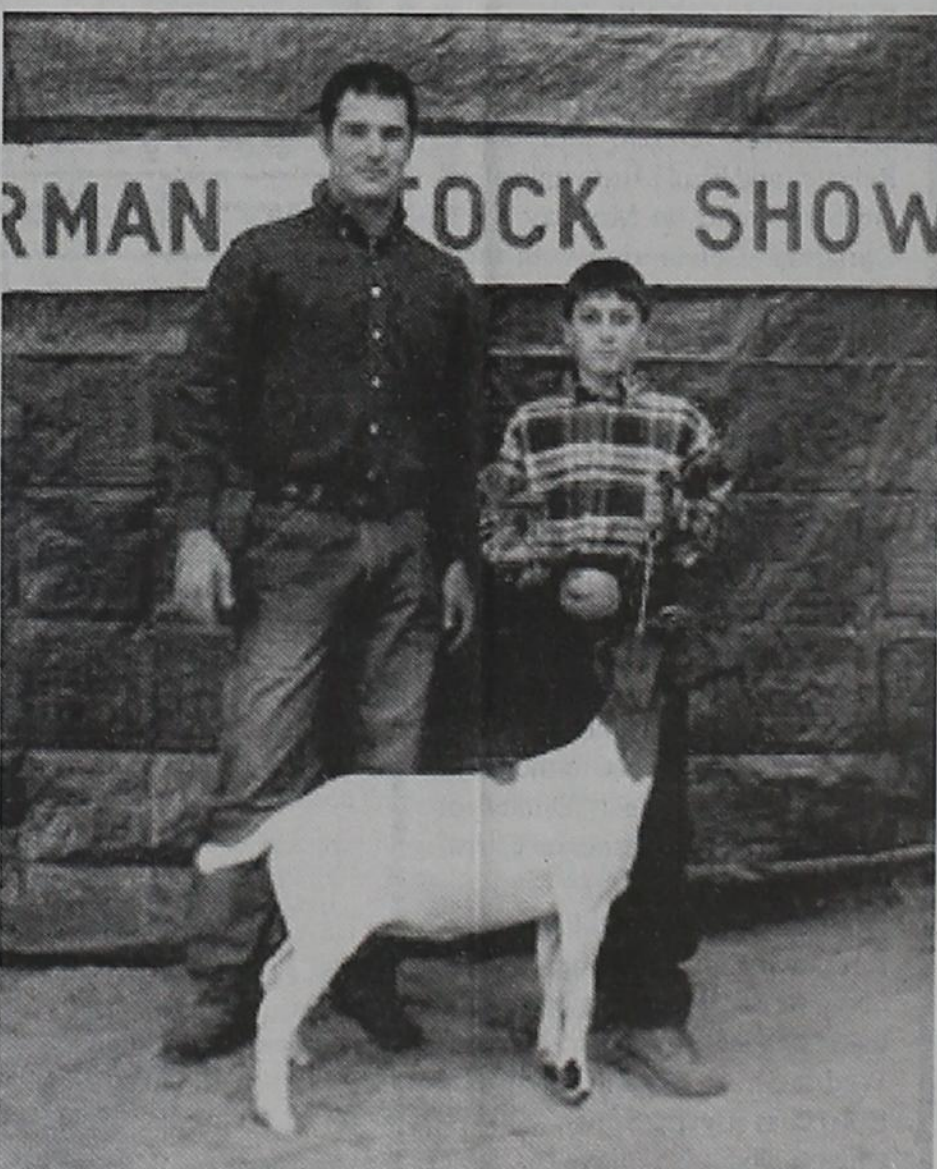
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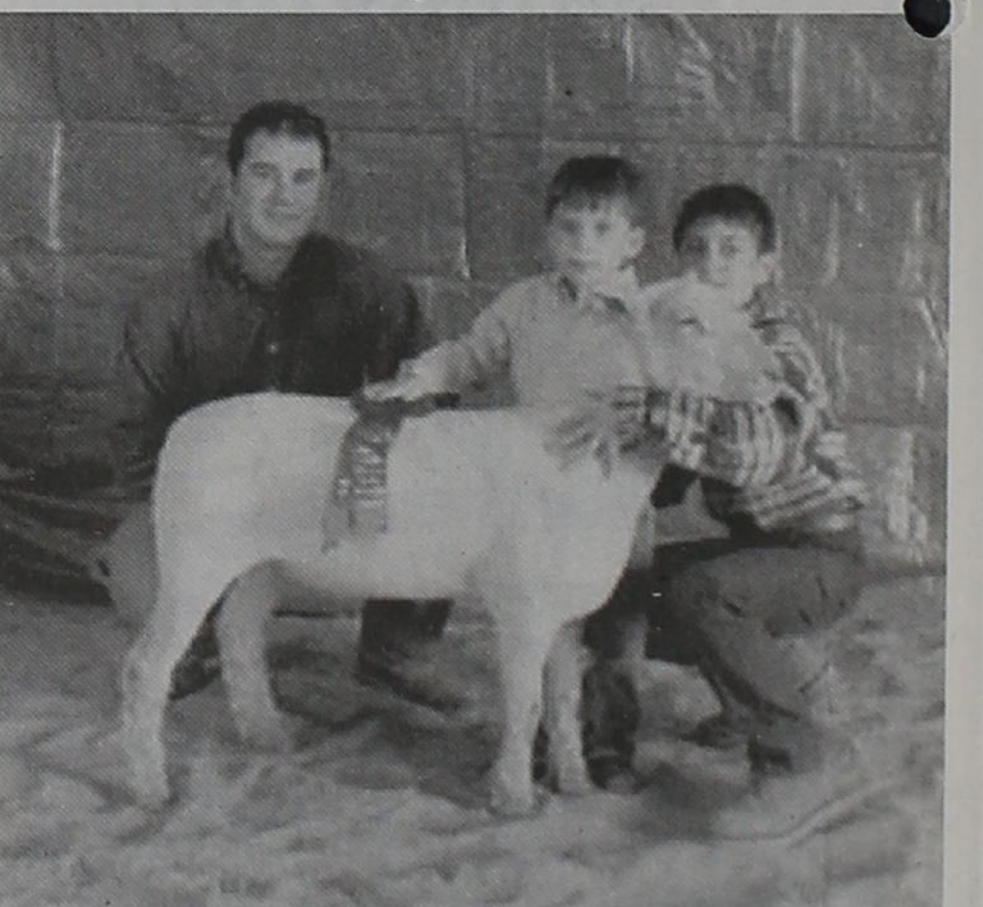
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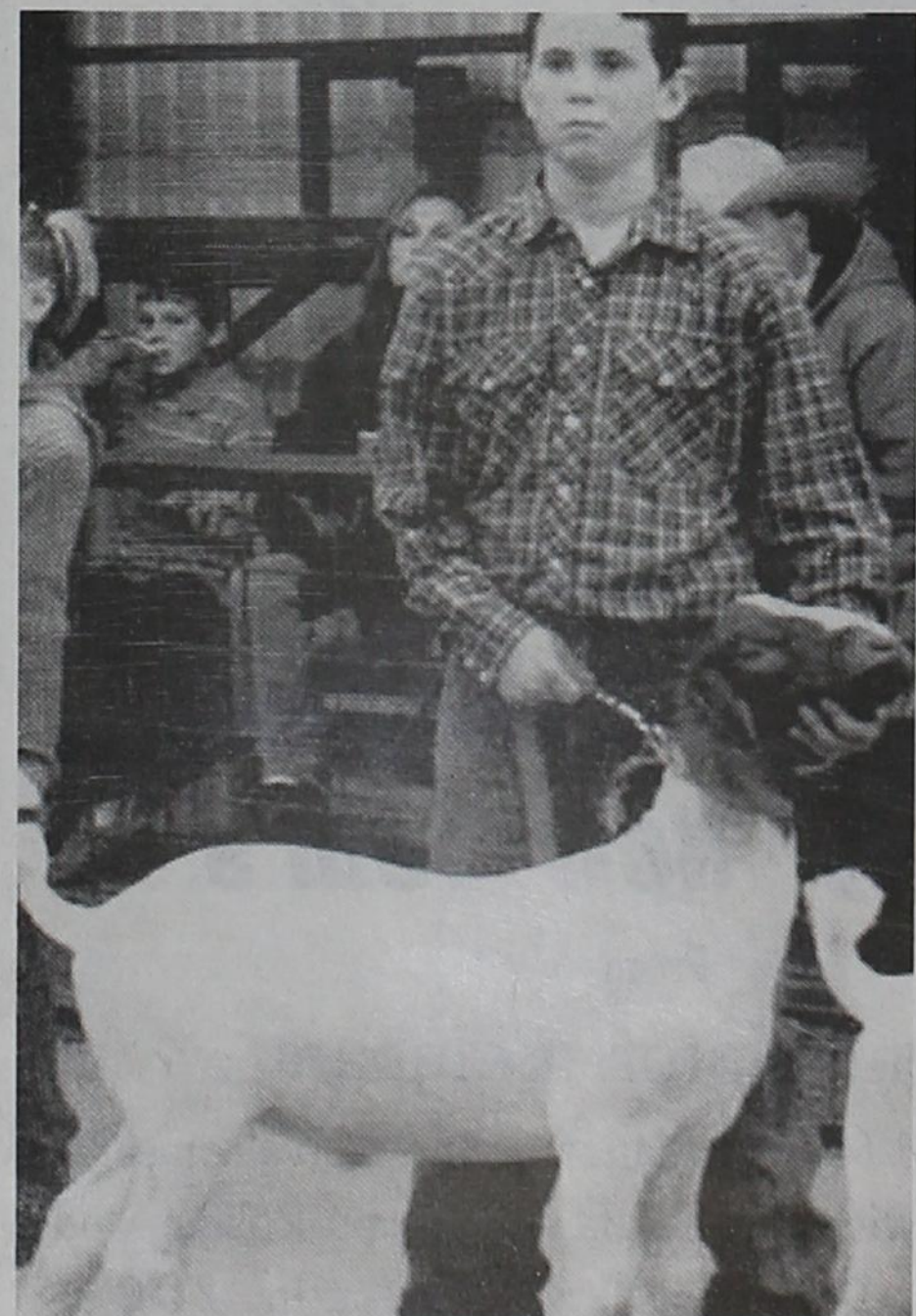
Senior Goat Showmanship - Chance Underwood



Junior Goat Showmanship - Nathan Ettinger




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Champion Cross - Ally Little  
Reserve Champion Hampshire - Ally Little - (Photo unavailable)  
Grand Champion Swine - Ally Little



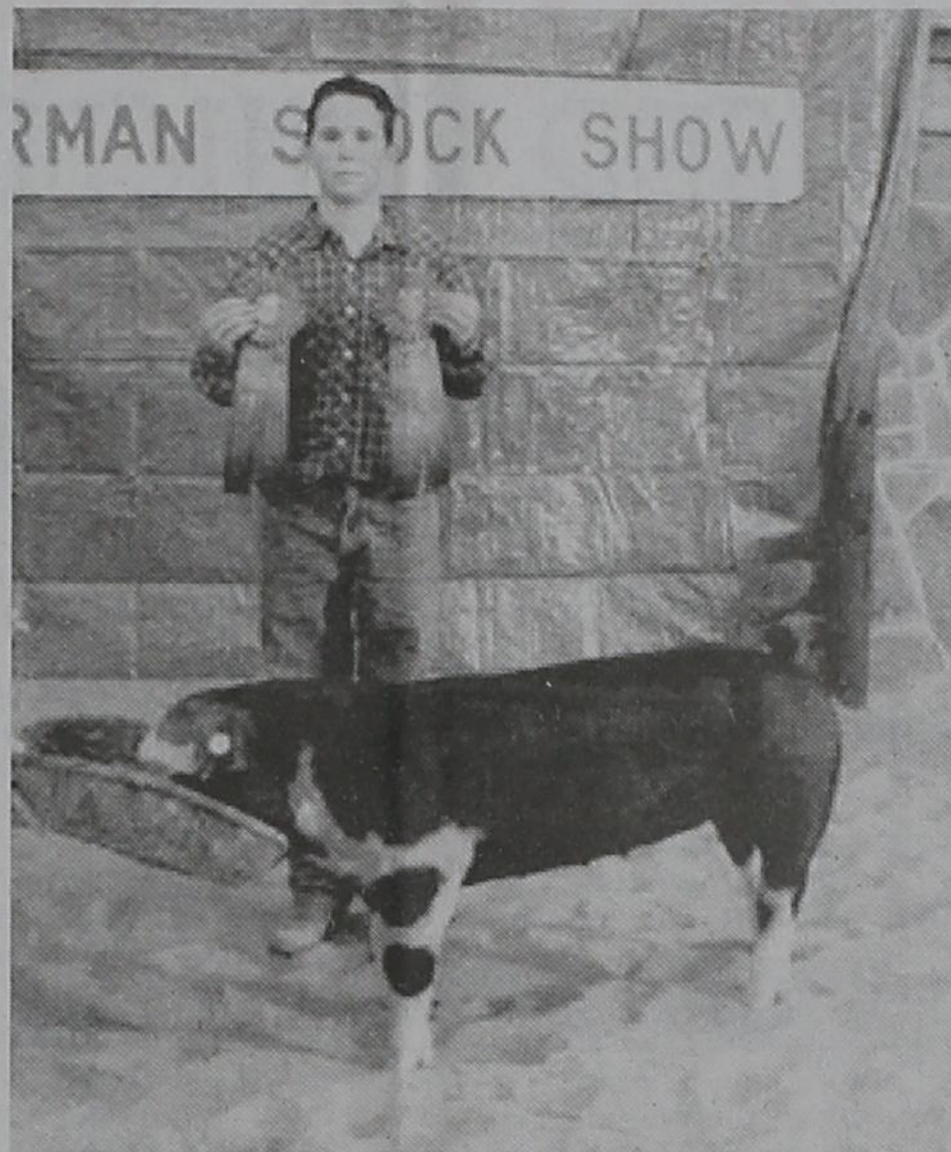
Champion Berkshire - Stetson Thompson



Junior Swine Showmanship - Nathan Ettinger



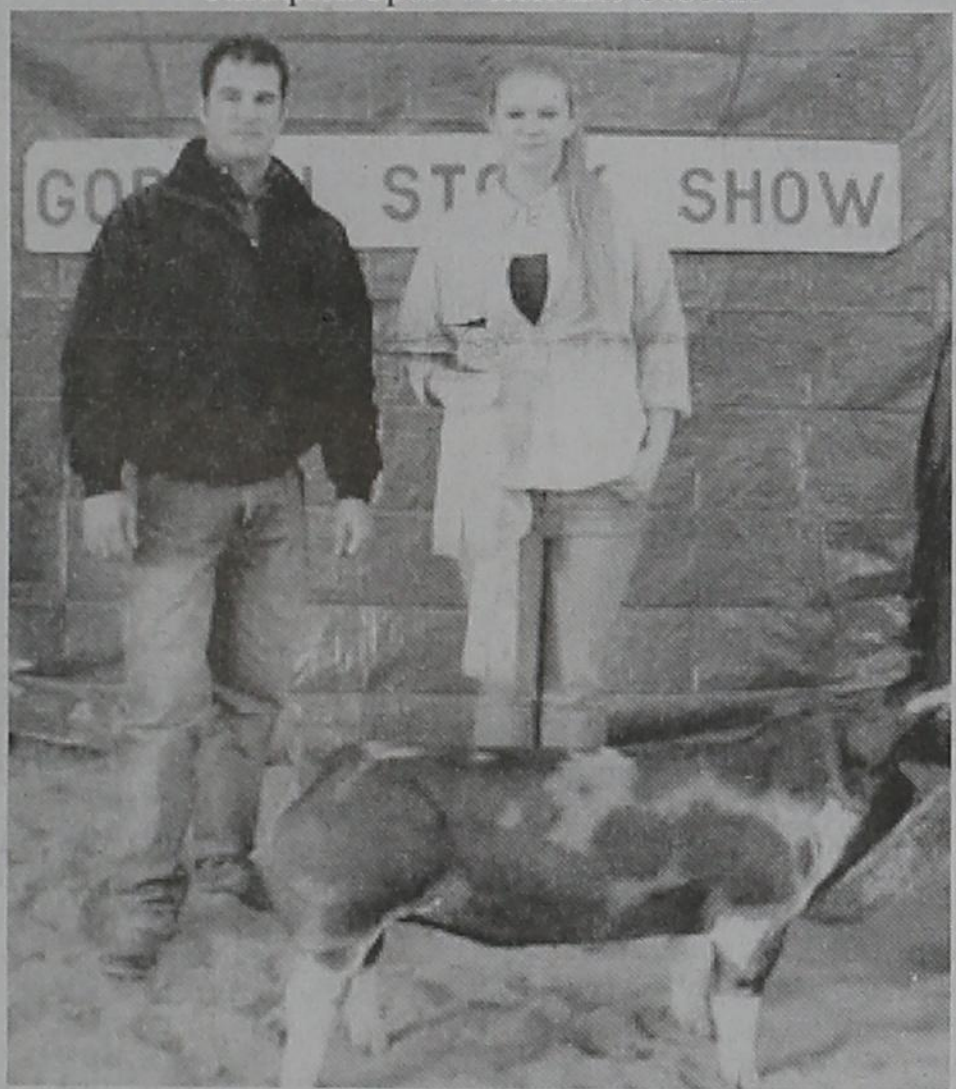
Champion Spot - McKenzie Osborne



Champion White OPB - Ben Burgess



Reserve Champion Berkshire - Kaci Seaton



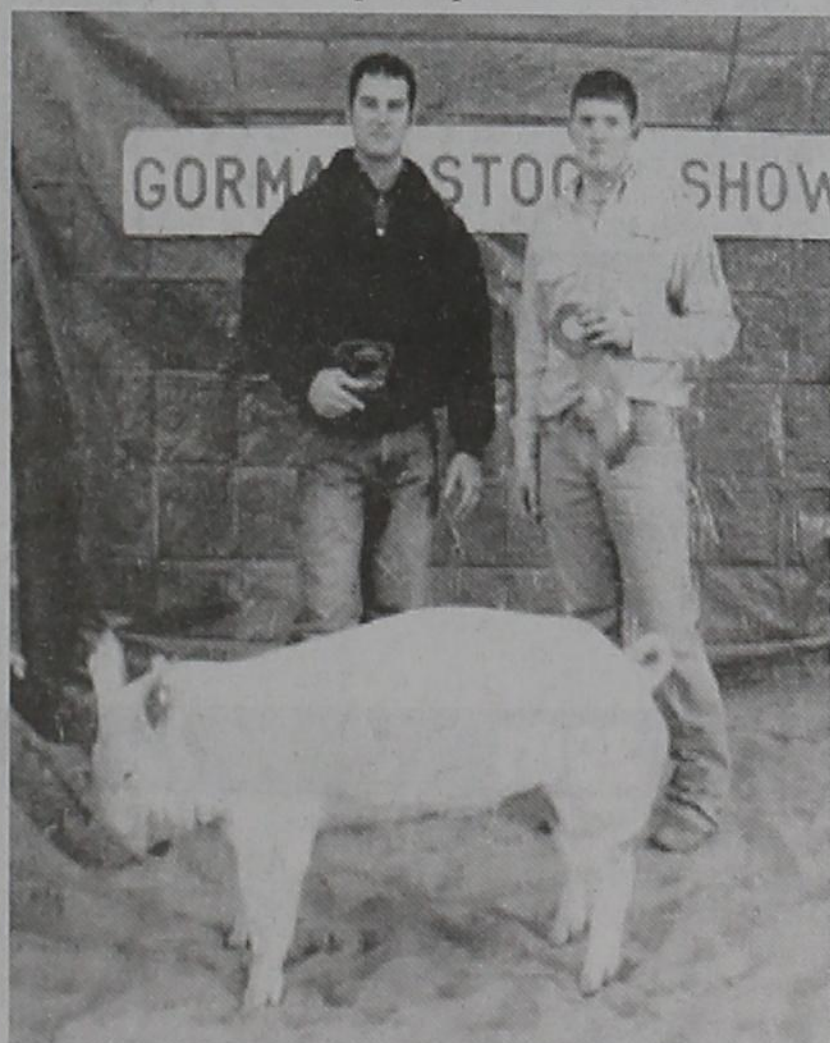
Reserve Champion Spot - Kaci Seaton



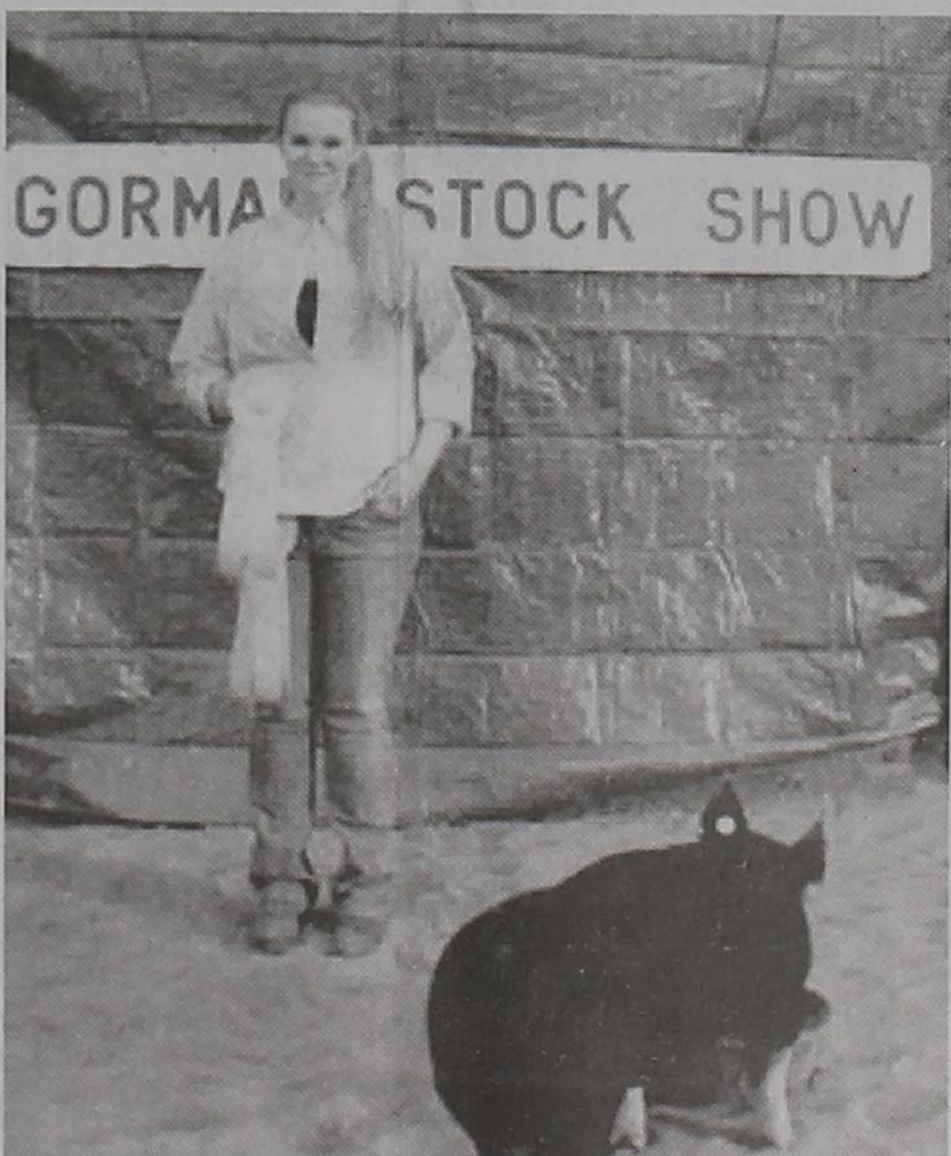
Pee Wee Swine Showmanship - Bailey Underwood



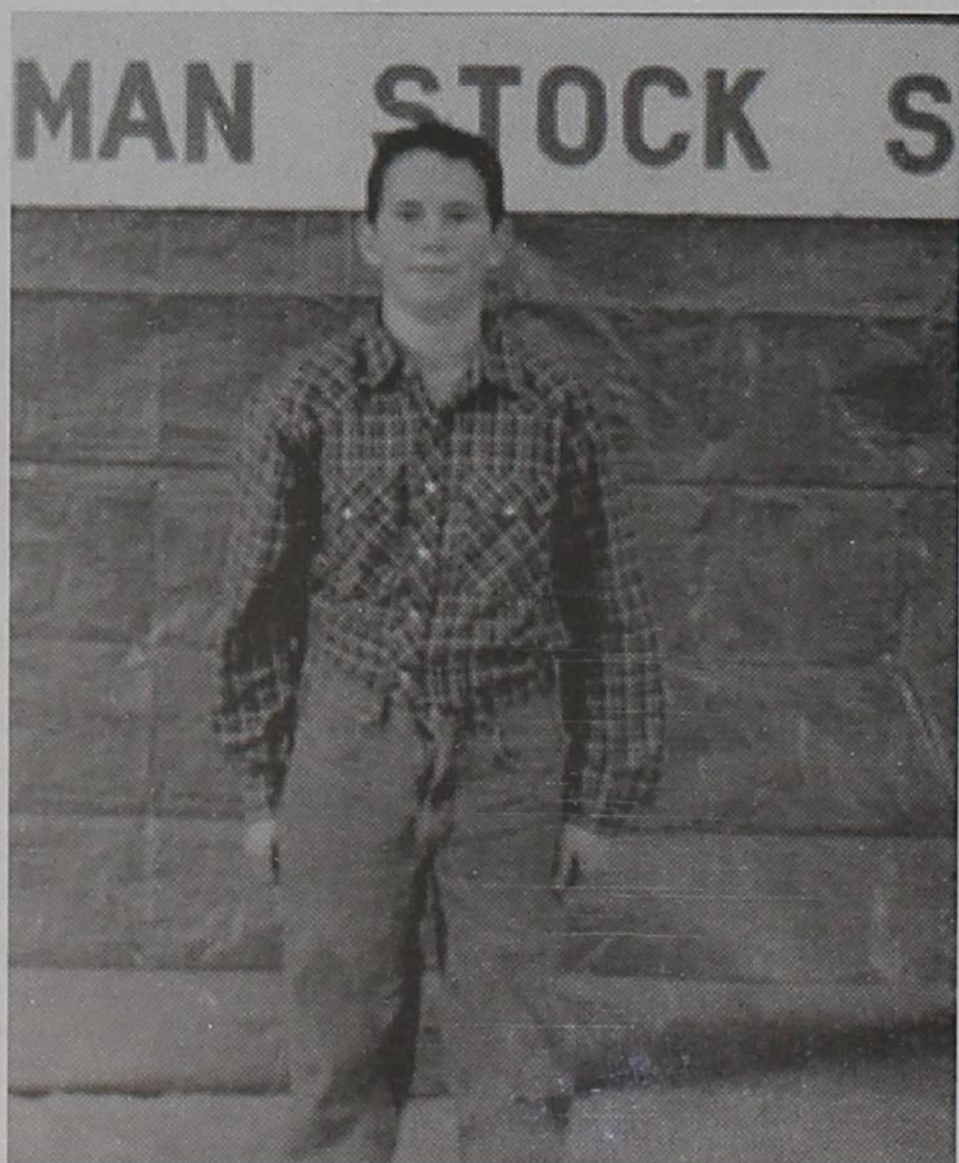
Reserve Champion Cross - Kourtney Seaton



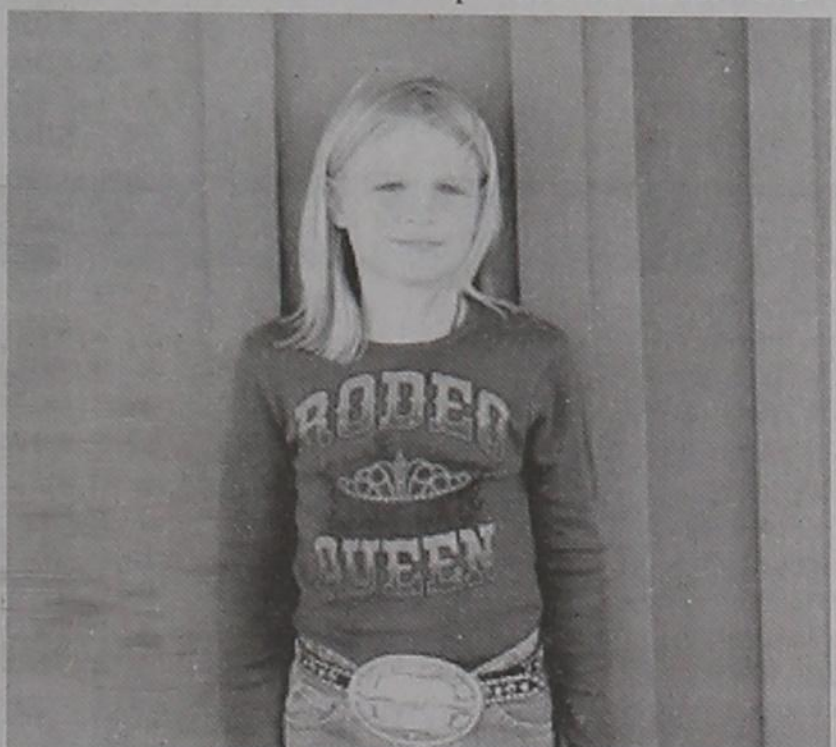
Champion York - Chance Underwood  
Senior Swine Showmanship - Chance Underwood



Reserve Champion Spot - Kaci Seaton



Champion Poland - Ben Burgess



Champion Hampshire & Reserve Grand Champion Swine - Madison Warren

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# Heritage Manor News

By Nancy Hendricks

## Twas the Night before Jesus Came

Twas the night before Jesus came and all through the house  
Not a creature was praying, not one in the house.  
Their Bibles were laid on the shelf without care  
In hopes that Jesus would not come there.

The children were dressing to crawl into bed,  
Not once ever kneeling or bowing a head.  
And Mom in her rocker with baby on her lap  
Was watching the Late Show while I took a nap.

When out the East there arose such a clatter,  
I sprang to my feet to see what was the matter.  
Away to the window I flew like a flash  
Tore open the shutters and threw up the sash!

In the Book of Life which He held in His hand,  
Was written the name of every saved man.  
He spoke not a word as He searched for my name;  
When He said "it's not here" my head hung in shame.

The people whose names had been written with love  
He gathered to take to His Father above.  
With those who were ready He rose without a sound  
While all the rest were left standing around.

I fell to my knees, but it was too late;  
I had waited too long and thus sealed my fate.  
I stood and I cried as they rose out of sight;  
Oh, if only I had been ready tonight.

Provided by Larry Stogsdill

On Sunday morning at 9:00 a.m. those coming from the First Baptist Church for Sunday School were James Miears, Frances Warren and Nelda Mauney. A resident voiced the opening prayer. James taught the lesson, "Concern of God". Lesson Passages Romans 11:1-36. Key verses Romans 11: 30-31. There were nineteen residents present. Howard and Pat Hagood were guests.

Recent guests were Annie Faye Foster, Pam Childers, Harold and Tody Zink of Gorman, Becky Smith of Cross Plains, Rachel Beal and Lunden Beal of May, Dalton and Joy Watson of Ranger.

On Sunday afternoon at 2:30 those coming from the "Bride of Christ Church" were Denver and Alice Rainey, Alex and Nathan Rainey, Richard, Junior, Rose Marie Allen, Eldena Bingham. A resident gave the opening prayer. Alice Rainey led the singing. Eldena brought the message the "Christmas Story" from Luke Chapter 2. There were eighteen residents attending.

Some guests were Bill Moll and Maudie Husband, Bobby and Peggy Ingram of Cisco and Diana Snider.

Visitors to Heritage Manor on Wednesday were Joy Rogers, Monda Oldham, Francis Simpson, Linda Simmons, Floydene Gilbert and Carolyn Gilbert. They are members of the Dorcas Class and were on hand to bring Christmas gifts to the residents. The whole class makes seasonal items throughout the year to be shared with those who live in Heritage Manor. All are members of the Church of Christ.

On Monday morning at 8:00 residents were happy for Karen Guthery to come and open the Beauty Shop and style hair.

Some visitors were Ella Reeves of Irving, Richey Forman of Wyoming, James Miears, James, Ella and Rachel Tucker.

Residents appreciated the good magazines that Icy Munn donated.

Some guests were Cecil and Rena Mae Robertson of Brownwood, Mary Jeffs, Frances Warren, Donnie and Nelda Mauney, Howard and Pat Hagood, Billie Marble and George Rodgers.

On Saturday at 6:00 p.m. those coming from the New Hope Baptist Church to Caroling were Richard Watson, Grace Ann Watson, Adam Torrez, Jordan Watson, Skyler Jones, Rachel Watson, James Tucker, Joshua Eaves, Ellen Tucker, Rachel Tucker, James, Christian and Susan Hunter.

Recent visitors were Juanita Spence and Nita Jane Cardinal of Little Elm, Rachel Watson, Jordan Watson, Donald and Fay Cook, Terry and Shane Cook and "Bud Cook" of Carbon, Lesa Weaver and Joe Beaty of Dallas, James, Christian and Susan Hunter.

On Monday morning residents enjoyed Coffee Break with Ina and talking about current events.

Some visitors were Larry and Colene Barnett of Wylie, Emmit and Kay Lynn Lasater of Eastland, Bonnie Croft of Lake Leon, Max and Janice Grice of Brownfield and Irene West.

Monday afternoon those coming for Gospel singing were Woodrow and Helen Browning, Ruby Lee Kinser, Billy Joe Dennis, Daisy Slaton, Ernestine Campbell, Zelda Jordan, Nelda Mauney and Nancy Hendricks. special music by a resident, Ruby Lee, Woodrow, Helen and Billy Joe. Everyone enjoyed "Beautiful Star of Bethlehem", "I Know My Savior Is Here," "Hide Me Rock of Ages" and "We Shall Rise". Twenty-three residents attended. Woodrow Browning voiced the dismissal prayer. Ina Smith served delicious fresh baked chocolate chip cookies and fruit punch.

Some guests were Jerry Majors of De Leon, Kelly Williams of Desdemona, don Landers of Springtown, Marjorie Treadway, Ernestine Campbell and Eva Sparkman.

On Tuesday morning those coming to help with BINGO were Pat Graham, Judy Killebrew, Jason Killebrew, and Ina Smith. Nine residents played. They enjoyed breakfast juices.

Some visitors were Jimmy and Verna Lee Little, Zelda Jordan, Nancy Hendricks, Nell Files of Carbon, Joshua Eaves, Adam Torrez and Shyler Jones.

Residents send "Get Well Soon" Wishes to Jaydon Justice of Eastland.

Some guests were Dalton Taylor, Barbara Tucker, James, Ellen, and Rachel Tucker.

Recent visitors were Billy Earl and Francis Simpson, Charlene Hammontree, Durward Webb, Larry Stogsdill, Tacy and Madison Warren, Jackie Don and Becky Simpson of Brownfield, Dee and Bud Smithy of Granbury and Frankie Stacy.

Tuesday afternoon it was Dominoes Time with Ina. There were several tables of players.

Some guests were Sylva Estes and Bubba of De Leon, Dr. Michael and Marsha Whitehorn of Abilene, James and Mary Jesse of Fort Worth.

On Wednesday morning Bro. Larry Stogsdill of the Church of Christ came and had Chapel. Subject "All About Marriage". Bible passage I Corinthian Chapter 7-8. There were twelve residents attending.

Some visitors were Woodrow and Helen Browning, Kay Snider, Glen and Shirley Clement of Lake Leon, Louise Smart and Zelda Jordan.

Wednesday afternoon Ina Smith, Judy Killebrew, Jason Killebrew had CRAZY BINGO for a large number of residents.

Some guests have been James and Ruby Lee Kinser, Billy Joe Dennis, Darrell and Pat Graham, Wilbur Overstreet, Judy Killebrew, Jason Killebrew and Jeff Killebrew of De Leon, S. E. and Melba Carter of Eastland.

# Desdemona News

By  
Vonnie  
Guthery

Lorin Eaves celebrated her 12th Birthday on Thursday, December 22 with a party hosted by her grandmother, Karen Eaves. Birthday cake and punch was served to several family members and a friend, Raven all of Desdemona.

Visitors with Bernard and Ann Keith for an early Christmas were De and Vicki Robinett of De Leon, Bill and Tami Sanders and daughter, Robyn of near San Antonio, Brad and Priscilla Keith and children, Brett, Jenna, Brian and Andrea of Louisville, Kentucky, Nikki Febinger and children, Christopher and Allison of Cleburne.

Dorothy Roberts enjoyed Christmas in Granbury with her granddaughter, Mark and Emily Williams and daughter, Kena. Other visitors in the home were Richard and Ulenda Cofsky, Heather Caddell and children, Kelsey, Cameron and Cain; a friend, Ted; Heath Weaver; Ashley Weaver and sons, Tanner and Noah all of Fort Worth, Jeff Roberts and Henry Rivas of Dallas, Shelly Horan and son, Sam of Granbury.

Travis Walston of Houston and Grant Walston of Breckenridge visited the Christmas Holidays with their parents, Gary and Jody Walston.

Dorothy Roberts had a Dr. appointment on Thursday in Fort Worth. The cracked bone on her ankle is not healing correctly so the Dr. put another walking cast on to be worn for a month or longer. Friends of Desdemona send Get Well Wishes to Dorothy.

Rudolph and Betty Duke hosted an early family Christmas Dinner on

## Private Pesticide Applicator Cert. Expire Feb. 28

The Texas Department of Agriculture reminds private pesticide applicator certificate holders that their certificates will now be renewed Feb. 28 every five years rather than the original Dec. 31 expiration date.

TDA recently implemented a new licensing system and changed the expiration date to make the licensing process more efficient. Certificate holders, as well as any TDA license holders, should receive a renewal notice about a month before the license expires.

Applicators should report any mailing address changes to be sure to receive the renewal notice.

Private applicator certificates were issued prior to January 10, 1989. While they never expire, applicators must earn 15 continuing education credits, including two credits in laws and regulations and two credits in integrated pest management, prior to expiration of the license, to keep the certificate active.

If you need additional information, please contact TDA at (800) TELL-TDA.

Friday, December 23 at their home in Desdemona. Those attending were Rodney and Debbie Duke of Panteago; John and Ronda James and daughter, Emily of Whitney; Scott and Risa Ashley and children, Brandon and Lauren of Midlothian; Russell and Kayla Duke and daughters, Elise and Katie of Stephenville; and Rusty and Samantha Duke of Desdemona.

Visitors with Karen Eaves and granddaughter, Lorin during the Christmas Holidays were Pug and Vonnie Guthery, Belinda Webb, Holly Guthery, Roy and Angela Powledge and children, Colin, Kaley and Lane, Donal and Kandice Cogburn and son, Dylan; Gary and Jody Walston, all of Desdemona; Travis Walston of Houston and friends, Kerry and Cathy Dameron and John all of Whitney.

"Happy New Year" to our friends and neighbors from Pug and Vonnie Guthery.

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'05 Chevy 2500 Crew Cab	4X4, loaded, 3K, Warranty \$27,900
'05 Chevy 2500 Crew Cab	4X4, leather, only 3K, Warranty \$27,900
'05 Chevy 3500 Crew Cab	4X4, flatbed, diesel, 36K \$29,900
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'04 Chevy 1500 X-Cab	4X4, leather, 28K, Warranty \$22,750
'04 Chevy 1500 X-Cab	LT, 4 X 4, 28K Warranty \$22,750
'04 Chevy 2500 Crew Cab	4X4, LS, 46K, Warranty \$24,250
'04 Chevy 2500 Crew Cab	Duramax, 4X4, leather, 23K, Warranty \$32,500
'04 Chevy 2500 Crew Cab	4X4, Diesel, 6-Spd. 30K, Warranty \$25,900
'04 Chevy 2500 Crew Cab	4X4, Diesel, loaded, 32K, Warranty \$28,900
'04 Ford Escape	Loaded, XLT, 18K, Warranty \$17,500
'04 Ford Taurus	Loaded, V6, 18K, Warranty \$11,900
'04 Ford F150 Reg. Cab	Auto, V6, 8K, Warranty \$15,500
'04 Ford F150 Crew Cab	4X4, loaded, 17K, Warranty \$26,500
'04 Olds Alero	4 Dr., loaded, 25K, Warranty \$11,500
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'03 Chevy Tahoe LS	Loaded, 42K, Warranty \$19,900
'03 Chevy Monte Carlo	Loaded, V6, 38K, Warranty \$13,500
'03 Chevy Avalanche	Loaded, V8, 18K, Warranty \$21,900
'03 Chevy Suburban LS	Loaded, cloth, 47K, Warranty \$19,900
'03 Chevy 1500 Reg. Cab	Sportside, loaded, V8, 51K, Warranty \$15,500
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'03 Chevy 1500 X-Cab	4X4, loaded, 25K, Warranty \$19,500
'03 Chevy 1500 X-Cab	4X4, loaded, 25K, Warranty \$19,500
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'03 Dodge 2500 Quad-Cab	Diesel, 4X4, loaded, 39K \$25,500
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'03 Ford F250 Crew Cab	Diesel, 4X4, 49K, Warranty \$29,000
'03 Dodge 1500 Reg. Cab	Auto, V6, 43K, Warranty \$10,950
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2002 • 2002 • 2002	
'02 Chevy Monte Carlo SS	Leather, Loaded, 45K, Warranty \$14,000
'02 Chevy Trailblazer	LS, loaded, 37K, Warranty \$15,500
'02 Chevy 1500 X-Cab	LS, loaded, 27K, Warranty \$15,250
'02 Chevy 1500 X-Cab	Loaded, LS, 60K, Warranty \$14,750
'02 Chevy 2500 Crew Cab	Duramax, 4X4, LT, 79K, Warranty \$25,500
'02 Chevy 2500 Crew Cab	Auto, loaded, 73K \$15,750
'02 Ford F250 X-Cab	4X4, diesel, Flatbed, 60K, Warranty \$22,500
'02 Dodge 1500 Crew Cab	Loaded, V8, 48K, Warranty \$15,500
'02 GMC 3500 Cab/Chassis	Diesel, 6-Speed, 167K \$12,900

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'01 Buick Le Sabre	Loaded, V6, 36K, Warranty \$11,500
'01 Chevy Tahoe	3rd Row Seat, loaded, 79K, Warranty \$15,250
'01 Chevy Tracker	Loaded, auto, V6, 61K, Warranty \$ 8,250
'01 Chevy 1500 Crew Cab	4X4, LT, 149K, Warranty \$13,000
'01 Chevy 1500 Crew Cab	Loaded, auto, 69K, Warranty \$17,500
'01 Chevy 2500 X-Cab	6 Spd., V8, 4X4, 57K, Warranty \$17,500
'01 Dodge Neon	SE, auto, 38K, Warranty \$ 7,000
'01 Ford F150 Reg. Cab	4X4, V8, 34K, Warranty \$13,000
'01 Ford F150 Super Crew	4X4, loaded, 101K, Warranty \$14,750
'01 Ford F150 Super Crew	XLT, loaded, 61K, Warranty \$13,900
'01 GMC Sonoma X-Cab	V6, auto, 81K, Warranty \$ 9,750
'01 Mitsubishi Montero Sport	Leather, loaded, 89K, Warranty \$11,500
'01 Mercury Grand Marquis	Leather, loaded, 61K, Warranty \$11,500

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'99 Lexus G5 300	Leather, loaded, 71K, Warranty \$16,900
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'98 GMC 1500 X-Cab	Leather, loaded, 97K, Warranty \$ 9,000
'97 Olds 88	Loaded, only 49K, Warranty \$ 5,950
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