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By Joe Bennett, Publisher

It is with a sad heart that I report that we lost our second "Mom" on Saturday when Estelle Craddock passed away at the Comanche County Hospital.

There is a terrible void in our lives after her death as my family and I mourn with broken hearts with a void that can never be refilled. She was a very large part of our lives for more than 24 years and was there to console us at the death of my mother and my wife. She has always been there to show her love and affection. She was this way with everyone she knew, always helping out in any way necessary to make things better for all of us.

Following the death of her husband, Hubert, she soon started to work for the Progress and was a truly loyal employee and supporter of the paper as well as anything else in the community. She loved her town and church dearly and did her utmost to show the world how she felt about her "utopia" as she and Kernel Gene used to call Gorman.

I want Kay and the family to know the deep love and affection we felt for her, not only for the support she showed every day for the paper but for her tender love which she always showed for all of us.

All we can say is "Farewell Estelle" and let Kay and the family know that she will never be forgotten in our hearts.

Tribute To Estelle Craddock Panthers Lose To Pirates;

Open Date This Week



GAME AT A GLANCE		
Gorman		Perrin-Whitt
13	First Downs	20
47/252	Carries/Yds.	33/391
133	Yds. Passing	58
5 of 11	Passes/Comp.	2 of 9
0	Interceptions	0
4-4	Fumbles/Lost	4-3
6/30	Punts/Avg.	3/34
5/50	Penalties	4/35

The Gorman Panthers took a strong, talented Perrin-Whitt team on Friday night and were down 21-0 by the end of the first period and 34-0 by halftime before coming back in the final two quarters for 24 points while the Pirates scored 18 in the final half to give the Pirates a 53-24 victory.

The Pirates scored on their first possession, going 50 yards in just 2 plays with Kaegan Seaton going 50 yards for the TD after an incomplete pass on first down with 11:35 left in the first. Seaton booted the point after and the Pirates led 7-0.

After holding the Panthers on their first possession the Pirates took the ball on their own 49 and scored in 8 plays with Kris Rusberry getting the final 20 on a run with 6:31 left. Seaton kicked the point after and the Pirates were up 14-0.

The Pirates got the ball on the Gorman 34 after a fumble and scored again in just one play with Reece Hutton took it in with 2:50 left in the first. Seaton booted the point after and went up 21-0.

The Pirates got the ball again on a Panther fumble on the Gorman 43 and scored in two plays with Hutton racing in from 32 yards out with 9:13 left in the second period. The kick for point failed and the score rose to 27-0.

Then the Pirates scored again in the second period when the Pirates took the ball on their own 20 and scored in 5 plays with Hutton passing to Justin Laughridge for 30 yards for the TD. Seaton kicked the point after and Perrin-Whitt led 34-0 at halftime.

The Panther Band did a very good job performing at halftime as well as the Peaster Band.

The Panthers came out ready to play after the intermission and got the ball on their own 36 and went the distance in 6 plays with Ty Swanner getting the score from 6 yards out with 9:18 left in the 3rd. The kick try failed and the score was 34-6. The drive featured a beautiful 42 yard pass to Matt Underwood and a 5 yard pass to Swanner.

Then the Pirates came back for another score, getting the ball on their own 32 and scored in just 2 plays with Seaton getting the score on a 69 yard scamper with 8:50 left in the third. Seaton added the point after and the Pirates were up 41-6.

The Panthers let the ball again on a fumble to let the Pirates up at the Gorman 42. The Pirates scored in 5 plays with Hutton getting the final 19 on a run with 7:20 left in the 3rd. The kick for point failed and the score was 47-6.

But the Panthers again rallied for a score after getting a Pirate fumble on their own 32 and scored in 8 plays with John Torres getting the score on a 3 yard run with 1:45 left in the third. The kick for point failed and the score was 47-12.

Gorman got the ball again on a Pirate fumble on their own 21 and went the distance in just four plays with Underwood going 50 yards on a beautiful pass and ran for the score with 7:50 left in the game. The drive featured runs of 9, 9, and 12 by Kennon Hornback. The kick for

point again failed and the score was 47-18.

The score changed quickly, when Justin Epps took the kickoff on this own 40 and raced the distance with 7:35 left. The kick for point after missed and the score was 53-18.

The Panthers added another score with 5:14 left in the game when they got the ball on their own 35 and scored in 5 plays with Orlando Valenzuela catching a pass and racing 47 yards for the score. The drive featured a 6 yard run by Hornback and a 10 yarder by Torres. The try for 2 points failed and the final score was 53-24.

Underwood led the Panthers with 102 yards on 8 carries. Torres got 57 on 12 tries. Hornback had 41 on 10 totes. Valenzuela had 30 on 8 and Swanner got 22 on 4.

The Panthers get a well deserved rest this week to recuperate prior to meeting the Bearcats in De Leon on September 30th.

The Panthers played hard all the way at Perrin-Whitt and were still hitting hard at the final whistle. We are Proud of Them!!!

Go Get 'Em Big Red!!!

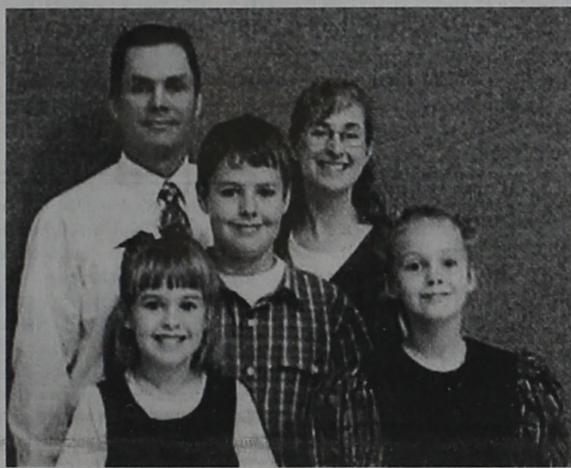


GOOD HEAD PLANT - A group of Panthers try to stop a Pirate in game action Friday. The unidentified Panther puts a helmet the place where the ball should be.



FUMBLE - David Ibarra is shown causing a fumble in game action against Perrin-Whitt on Friday night.

Gorman Church of Christ Marks 100th Anniversary



Former minister John Payne was featured speaker for the Centennial celebration worship service at the Gorman Church of Christ on Sunday, September 11. John, now Minister of the Sanger Church of Christ and his family were on hand for the event. Pictured (L-R): are John, his wife Dawn, children Nathan (center) and (seated L-R): Alissa and Natalie.

Church of Christ Centennial Celebration A Success

Nearly three hundred people were on hand for the 100 Year Anniversary of the Gorman Church of Christ on Sunday, September 11. Registering the guests were Velda Baze, Dolores Underwood, Edna Ann Powell, Joy Rogers, Carolyn Foster, Christine Hammontree and Jerry Brown. Members, former members, guests and many of the entire community gathered to help celebrate the event and enjoy the day's activities. Guest speaker for the worship service was John Payne of the Sanger Church of Christ. He delivered an inspirational message and urged the congregation to remember the past and to embrace growth processes that will move the church forward in the future. Prayers were led by Durward Webb, Gene Foster, Cecil Self and Jeff Emery. A delicious meal catered by John Mears was thoroughly enjoyed by the large group during the noontime break. Amber Allen of Abilene was official photographer for the day.

Speaking at the auditorium class and the afternoon session was Dr. Howard Norton, Professor of Bible and Assistant Dean for Church Relations at Harding University in Searcy Arkansas. Dr. Norton is a world renowned missionary, editor and author. The song service during morning worship was led by Donnie Baisden of the University Church of Christ in Abilene. Dr. Bill Oldham served as Master of Ceremonies for the afternoon session. Addressing the group at this time was Judge Scott Bailey, retired long term Eastland County Judge and aide to State Representative James L. Keffer of District 60. After bringing an address in which he related his memories of his mother attending church here during her tenure at Hankins Normal College in the early years, he read a resolution from Representative Keffer as well as a certificate of greetings and congratulations from Rick Perry, Governor of Texas. Dr. Oldham read portions of other congratulatory correspondence from The White House, President George Bush, Senator Kay Bailey Hutchison, State Representative Bob Hunter of District 71, State Representative Bob Griggs of Richland Hills, State Representative Dr. Jim McReynolds of Lufkin, State Representative David Swinford of Dumas, Tarrant County District Judge, Len Wade, Mayor Norm Archibald of Abilene, Dr. Charles Siburt, Director of Church Relations at Abilene Christian University and Dr. Bill Young, Past

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ANNOUNCING ANOTHER PARTY IN GORMAN

The Peanut Festival has come and gone for another year, but Gorman is just getting started!!! On October 15th the DoodleBug Train will be coming to town and we are throwing a party!!!

The ShinOak Springs Train Festival

Activities will include:

- Old 1850's Town with Western Show
- Model Train display at the Opera House
- A Real Live Train Robbery
- An Ice Cream Crank
- Relays and Games for the Kids
- Trade Days - Vendors and Food Booths
- Roaming Musicians
- Evening Street Dance with Live Band

The party will start at 9:00 a.m. and continue all day. Plan to dress in period clothing and help the High School Band welcome the train at 1:30 p.m. COME ONE AND ALL AND JOIN THE FUN!!!!

For information contact any GORMAN GROW member or SUZAN LIPSON at 734-4305

Hey Kids!!!

We invite all children, ages 4 to 5 years old to Mission Friends at the Gorman First Baptist Church every Wednesday from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m.

Thanks From Shin Oak Barbecue Cook Off

We would like to acknowledge several businesses that helped with our cook off. Without the help of these people this cook off would not have been the success it was. Thanks to Mark Wilkerson of Bob's Grocery, to Bob and Brenda Hammontree of City Grocery, the Gorman Progress, and to the City Commission. Your donations and contributions are very much appreciated. We encourage everyone to support these businesses because they are always there to help support our community. Also thanks to the City crew that got everything ready for the Peanut Festival. Every time someone hollered, you guys jumped and got it done.

Thanks so much to everyone.
2005 Shin Oak
Barbecue Cook Off

3 On 3 Basketball Results

Junior High and Down Division:

First Place - Alex Giles, Laura Herrera and Jaime Johnston.
Second Place - Ernie Rodriguez, James Brown and Jonathan flores.

Other teams were: Nathan Tucker, Tanner Welch and Josh Ryan; Austin Burns, Cameron Clark and Jacob Espinoza; Jonathon Fenley, Bd Ramirez and Sergio Herrera; Sergio Hipolito, James Thompson and AJ Vaughn.

High School and Up Division:

First Place - Eison Brothers
Second Place - Robert Seaton, Michael Lynch and Josh Longoria.

Other teams were: David Ibarra, John Torres and Orlando Valasquez; Ryan Wright, Daniel Shirley and Aaron Keith; Tyson Swanner, Audrey Johnston, and Corey Clark; Chris Dodd, Derek Adams and Tim Swanner; Scotty Lewis, Joey Jones and Kevin Lewis.

First Place teams won T-Shirts.

Thanks to everyone who played and helped make a fun and exciting day.

Amy Johnston
and Robert Seaton

Run For Your Life!!!

RUN FOR YOUR LIFE!!! The Life Skills Program of Breckenridge ISD will be sponsoring another 5K Race this fall on October 1, 2005. Registration is \$15. For more information call 254.559.2809.

LIBRARY — Charlie Garrett Memorial Library will be open Monday thru Friday from 3 to 5 p.m. Open Tuesday 9 to 12 a.m.

Peanut Festival Committee Sends Out Thanks To Sponsors

Sponsors of the Peanut Festival: American State Bank, Birdsong Peanuts, Comanche National Bank - Comanche, Dr. Dan Brudnak, Fullen Motor Co. - Eastland, Gem Dandy, Gorman Chamber of Commerce, Heritage Manor of Gorman, Randolph Dodge - Eastland, and Southern Ag Carries - Comanche. Antiques From Our Father's House, Bayer Motor Co. - Comanche, City Of Gorman, Clark Building Supply and Construction, Comanche County Telephone - De Leon, De Leon Irrigation - De Leon, Express Medical, Franks Home Service - De Leon, Gorman Milling, Stephens Health Care, Town and Country Real Estate - Eastland, West End Storage and Underwood Construction. Bob's Grocery, Cano Petroleum - Desdemona, Chicken Express - Eastland, City Grocery, Clark Tractor - De Leon, Cook Insurance Agency - De Leon, Comanche Community Medical Center, De Leon Auto - De Leon, Express Medical Supply - De Leon, Foster Floral, G & H Feed / Hirst Nut and Produce, Gilmore Auto, Gold Metal Imports, Golden Oak - De Leon, Gooden Petroleum, Gorman Lions Club, Gorman Pharmacy, Gorman Progress, Higginbotham Funeral Home, J & J Air Conditioning, Inc. - Eastland, Ricon Pharmacy, Simmons Propane, Smith's Service Station, Snider Nursery, Steve Singleton Plumbing - De Leon, Texas Creations, The Hair Shoppe, Whistle Stop Cafe, Z. J.'s Steak House, Gorman I.S.D. and Shawn Boles and the Ag. Students.

Winners Announced In GLRA Drawing

The Gorman Livestock Raisers Association held a drawing recently for Half-A-Hog and have announced the winner Elda McDonald of Comanche.

Exit Level Registration For TAAS - TAKS Tests

TAAS Exit Level Administration Dates - October 18th - Writing; October 19 - Mathematics - October 20 - Reading.
TAKS Exit Level Administration Dates - October 18 - ELA; October 19 - Mathematics; October 20 - Science; and October 21 - Social Studies.

On the day(s) of testing, you should arrive at the test site thirty minutes before the designated testing time.

On the day(s) of testing, you MUST have a picture identification, such as driver's license, DPS ID, military ID, school ID, or resident alien card. YOU WILL NOT BE ABLE TO TAKE THE TEST(S) WITHOUT A PICTURE ID.

For More info call Gorman High School.

Obituaries

Estelle Craddock

Estelle Craddock, 93, of Gorman passed away Saturday, September at the Comanche County Hospital.

Services were at 2:00 p.m. Monday at Higginbotham Funeral Home Chapel with Victor Pena officiating. Burial was at Oaklawn Cemetery in Gorman.

Mrs. Craddock was born March 22, 1912 to John W. Clark and Melissa Caroline (Hallmark) Clark. She was a graduate of Gorman High School. She married Hubert Craddock on July 28, 1935 in Gorman. She was a homemaker, worked at The Gorman Progress for 24 years and was a correspondent for the Abilene Reporter-News. She was a devoted wife, loving mother and a very active member of the First United Methodist Church where she held many offices and served as Sunday School Superintendent for 35 years. She was active in Senior Citizens activities and the local food pantry. Her priorities in life were God, family and friends. She was a wonderful aunt to many nieces and nephews. She received the Community Service Award for 1986 and honored by the Ministerial Alliance in 2003 for many years of dedicated service. She received the Gorman Ex Student Award for Contribution to Gorman Schools in 2004.

She is survived by her daughter, Kay Ann Craddock of Gorman and a host of nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents, husband, Hubert, five brothers, Willie, Edward, Elvy, Othell "Speedy" and Doyle "Speck" Clark; two sisters, Claudia Hollifield and Lorena Clark.

Pallbearers were Joe Bennett, Lonnie Bennett, Greg George, Larry Ragland and Everette McDaniel. Honorary: Bill Clark, Ross Wilson, and Benny Mathew.

Braden Keith & Mathew Rylon Estrada

Infant twins, Braden Keith and Mathew Rylon Estrada, were born September 12, 2005.

Parents are Toby John Estrada and Angela Roberts Reyna of De Leon. They are survived by one brother, Shawn Reyna and sister Alexis Reyna, all of De Leon. Grandparents are Debra Cogburn and Jose and Antonio Villa and Katrina Leal, all of De Leon; Louise Hutson and Pauline Welch, both of Gorman.

Graveside services were Thursday, September 15, 2005, at 10 A.M. in the De Leon Cemetery with Father Phillip McNamara officiating, under direction of Nowlin Funeral Home.

Tristan M. Hill

Infant son Tristan Michael Hill of De Leon, Texas was born on Sunday, September 18, 2005 at Harris Methodist Hospital in Fort Worth, Texas to Jason and Kimberly Wilson Hill.

Graveside Services were held Sunday, September 18, 2005 at 6:00 p.m. at Sand Hill Cemetery in Comanche County, Texas with Kenneth Wilson officiating, under the direction of Nowlin Funeral Home.

He is survived by his parents, Jason and Kimberly Hill of De Leon; one brother, Justin Gonzales of De Leon; two sisters, Jacie Linn Hill and Allison Martinez both of De Leon; grandparents, Kenneth and Kathy Wilson of De Leon, Dennis and Evonda Post of Wisconsin, Davis Michael Hill of Delaware; great-grandparents are Locky-Jean Hill of McKinney and Houston Dawkins of De Leon.

L. N. Koen

L. N. Koen, age 83, died Thursday, September 15, 2005 at Wesley Court Nursing Center in Abilene. Funeral services were held Saturday, September 17, at 1:00 p.m. at The Hamil Family Funeral Home Chapel with Dr. Jeff Ried and Jack Riddlehover officiating. Burial was at 4:00 p.m. in the Gorman Oaklawn Cemetery in Gorman, Texas under the direction of The Hamil Family Funeral Home.

L. N. was born on November 22, 1921, in Colorado City, Texas to Lawrence N. Koen and Sarah Naomi Armstrong Koen. He grew up in West Texas and his family later moved to Carbon in Eastland County. While living there he went into the service during WWII and served in Alaska and then on to Okinawa for the US 21st Battalion Seabees. While in the service, his family moved to Gorman and upon his return home, he met and married Helen Mauney in 1946. They moved to Abilene in 1953 and L. N. was a contract painter until his retirement. He was a member of Pioneer Drive Baptist Church and the C. Ed. Sunday School Class. L.N. was also involved in Good Sam's Club and was a 32nd degree Mason in Lodge #559. L.N. was preceded in death by his parents and several brothers and sisters.

L.N. is survived and lovingly remembered by his wife of fifty-nine years, Helen Koen; son, Randy L. Koen of Dallas; and one sister, Dee Fann of Fort Worth; among several other nieces, nephews and cousins.

Memorials may be sent to Sears Hospice or Pioneer Drive Baptist Church Building Fund.

Aubrey J. Wilson

Aubrey J. Wilson, 93 of Granbury, passed away Friday, September 16th, 2005 in a Fort Worth Hospital.

Services were at 3:00 p.m. Sunday at Higginbotham Funeral Home Chapel in Gorman with Lonnie Lerman officiating. Interment at Oaklawn Cemetery.

Mr. Wilson was born July 8, 1912 in Comanche County to George Washington Wilson and Sarah Elizabeth (Guess) Wilson. He married Myrtle Vaughan on January 9, 1937 in Eastland. She preceded him in death in 1981. On June 24, 1993 he married Tiny Bell Bearden in Granbury. After eighteen years of service he retired from General Dynamics in 1974. He was a member of the Baptist Church.

Survivors include, wife, Tiny Bell Wilson of Granbury, one son, Aaron Wilson of Granbury; two step-daughters, Burma Carman and Glenda Taylor of Granbury; sister, Lois Melton of Ranger, brother, Ira Wilson of Boyd, and three grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents, one son, Gene Wilson, three sisters, and three half-brothers.

Myrtle Blanche (Eaves) Martin

RANGER - Myrtle Blanche Martin age 74 of Ranger died Monday in Eastland Texas. Graveside services will be 11:00 AM Friday September 23, 2005 in the Simpson Cemetery near Kokomo in Eastland County. Rev. Charles Wallace will officiate, directed by Edwards Funeral Home of Ranger.

Born November 10, 1930 in Staff Texas to Richard and Ollie (Monroe) Eaves she was a graduate of Carbon High School and Ranger Junior College. She married Robert H. Martin Sr. in Eunice NM on December 31, 1951. He was in the Military and they lived in Puerto Rico, Rapid City South Dakota. After his discharge they moved to Midland where he worked in the Medical Field as a Respiratory Therapist. They changed jobs to Hotel Management and as a team worked for Motel 6 and lived all over Texas. In 1995 Robert Retired and they moved to Ranger, Myrtle began working for Eastland Hospital and later the Budget Host Inn in Eastland. Robert passed away in

"Thank You"

We wish to express your gratitude and appreciation to everyone who helped make Meagan Holder's Benefit a wonderful success. To all of our local and neighboring friends from surrounding areas who: contributed their time and money; Businesses and individuals who donated merchandise for the auction; Restaurants and Grocery Stores who donated food for the barbecue, and also gift certificates; Clubs and Churches who sent contributions; And, Newspapers and Radio Stations for necessary advertising. Our communities are blessed with wonderful compassionate people!

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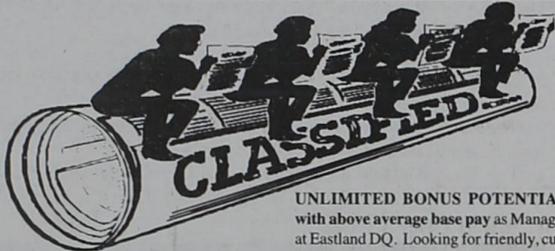
Many thanks are extended to the Gorman Progress for the publicity and news of the Gorman Church of Christ Centennial celebration held September 11. Of course, this was a special event for us, but it was truly special because so many visitors attended. We thank the newspaper for publicizing the celebration so well. This was truly a community anniversary and we want to thank everyone who supported and attended the event. A warm welcome awaits everyone at the church at any time.

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She is survived by: 3 Sons, Robert Martin Jr. of Big Bend National Park David Martin of Ranger Tx, Gary Martin of Big Bend National Park; 2 Granddaughters, Ollivya Martin of San Angelo, Brittany Martin of Big Bend; 3 Brothers William Eaves of Midland, Dickey Eaves of Gorman, Buddy Eaves of Brownfield; 3 Sisters, Coye Bird of Farmington, NM, Ruby Cummings of Tyler, Tx, and Odene Savage of Gorman, Tx.



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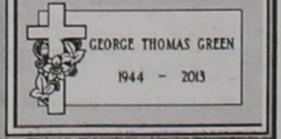
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Back row: Crystal Thackerson, Megan Lewis, Holley Wright, Mary Powell, and Teicia Jones, Brandy Carlton. She's on the team and not pictured. Lounging on the front row is Marc Gillen.



Mary Powell with 11th place trophy from the Eastland Cross Country meet on 9/14/05.

Girls Cross country team placed 5th at the Eastland meet, behind Breckenridge, Cisco, Eastland, and Strawn. This is the meet that Mary Powell placed 11th. They did very well competing against larger schools!

Career Day Is Coming! We Need You!

We would like to announce Gorman ISD's Career Day to be held on Tuesday, October 11th. Parents and other adult volunteers are invited to participate. Your career is important to us. We will need adults who are interested in stimulating and enriching the student's knowledge and in giving the students an opportunity to learn about exciting career choices. You are an invaluable resource to us to offer our children this opportunity to expand their career horizons.

Volunteers are needed for Pre-K through 12th grades. We welcome your involvement for an hour, half day or all day. Your presentation should last approximately 30 - 45 minutes. Our Career Day will begin at 8:50 and end at 2:00. If you present, please try to arrive at Maxfield Elementary 30 minutes early for a leisurely check in.

Please complete the following information and return the bottom part of this form to your child's teacher to help us make this day a success! I will be contacting you soon!!!

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The class of 1955 celebrated 50 years at the Homecoming celebration Sept 10. The group was also recognized at the Gorman Exes Association business meeting. Shown L-R are Woodrow Browning, Joyce Rodgers Gilbert, Howard Hagood, Kay Warren Womack, Beth Brightwell Compton, Jane Wooten and Jack Shelly. Not pictured are Roland Jones, Robert Jones, Jim Self, Billy Earl Simpson and Ernestine Weaver Campbell. The group also had a fellowship at the Methodist Church and a Reunion Dinner at ZJ's Restaurant on Saturday evening.

To The Ex Students Committee

Just want to tell you how much I appreciate all the nice things you said about me and also for the plaque.

I spent lots of hours getting addresses, but it was something I could do and wanted to. It was also good for me to have something to help me busy.

I'm sure I will enjoy being your "Coming Home Queen" even though I haven't been gone. Isn't it nice to live in a place like this all your life and be able to know almost everyone personally?

Thank you so much,
Velda Echols Foster Baze

Sen. Hutchison Announces More Than \$40,000 Awarded To The GVF D

Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison (R-TX), a member of the Senate Appropriations Committee, today announced the U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS) has awarded \$43,685 to the Gorman Volunteer Fire Department. "Firefighters protect our communities every day," said Sen. Hutchison, a member of the Senate Appropriations Committee. "These funds will help give the Gorman Volunteer Fire Department the resources needed to keep the community safe."

The Assistance to Firefighters Grant Program awards one-year grants directly to fire departments to support firefighters and the services they provide. The programs aim to improve the effectiveness of firefighting operations, firefighter health and safety programs and to establish or expand fire prevention programs throughout the nation.

DHS's Office of State and Local Government Coordination and Preparedness administers the program, in cooperation with the U.S. Fire Administration. Operations and Firefighter Safety Programs may include training, equipment, personal protective equipment, wellness and fitness and modifications to fire stations and facilities.

Athletic Booster Club Activities Planned

The Athletic Booster Club will be having Monthly Meeting on the last Wednesday of the month at 8:00 p.m. The Booster Club will give out awards to the athletes of the week at the monthly meeting. Everyone is invited to attend.

The Athletic Booster Club will be selling tickets on a Drawing for a 700 Remington 223 Rifle to be given away at the October 28th football game. The rifle was donated by Lone Cedar Country Club. Tickets are \$1.00 each or 6 for \$5.00.

The Athletic Booster Club is planning to host an Enchilada Supper before the Homecoming Football Game on October 7th. For take out orders, call Julie Clark at 734-2257, Vickie Brown at 734-4051, Becky Laminack at 734-3263, Becky Swanner at 734-2480 or Angela Underwood at 734-3243.

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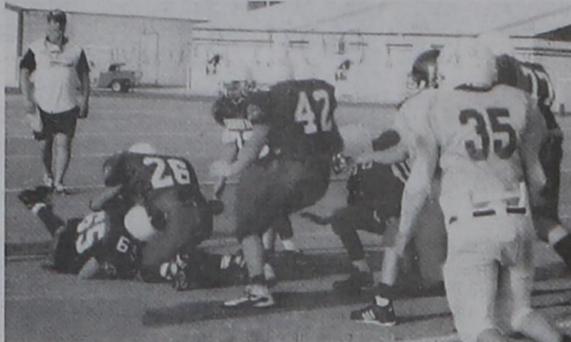
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Photos From Cubs Game

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A Pack of Cubs scrambling for the ball.



Cameron Clark (#32) gains yardage for a touchdown.

Photos Of Volleyball Game

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Senior Kendra Swanner hits hard to elude the Lady Lions block attempt.



Senior Nikki Keith gets the dig to send the volleyball back in play.

Peanut Festival Photos



-- Randy's Roundup --

A Weekly Newsletter from Congressman Randy Neugebauer
September 19, 2005

Proposals for FSA Offices

Many readers may have seen stories in the news last week that mentioned plans for the future of the Farm Service Agency and its county offices throughout the country. Several proposals have been offered to handle a wave of retirements in the near future that will cause many county offices to become understaffed. The news stories mentioned that some county offices may be closed. USDA maintains that it does not have a proposed list of offices for closure and that it is not asking each state to close a particular number of offices. Rather, the department is seeking input from state FSA directors to develop a solution to this problem.

Nothing has been decided yet, and it is important to me that farmers continue to receive quality service from their FSA offices. I will follow this issue closely and send out new information as it becomes available. I believe no decisions should be made without thorough review and input. If FSA can improve service to farmers, I am willing to take a look at their proposals. My goal is to make sure farmers have quality, convenient services, especially in areas where there is a heavy FSA workload.

Strengthening "Head Start"

The House will consider legislation this week that strengthens the Head Start educational program that has helped many children enter elementary school ready to learn. This legislation will help parents become more involved in their children's education, create a greater role for states in Head Start, maintain all current health and nutrition services for participants, and increase Head Start integration with local school districts.

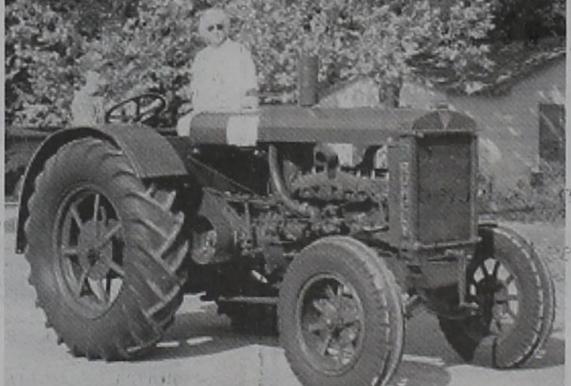
Update on Congressional Response to Hurricane Katrina

As I mentioned last week, Congress has taken several steps to get the Hurricane Katrina recovery effort into high gear. I have supported those measures because we have a moral obligation to help our neighbors along the Gulf Coast. A responsible approach to the recovery effort not only includes getting aid to those who need it, but it also requires that we figure out how to pay for it. I do not support raising taxes to reach this goal. As we are trying to revitalize a major region of our country, the last thing we need to do is stifle the economy by raising taxes. But I do support increasing our efforts to weed out federal programs that are wasteful or redundant in order to offset the recovery costs. The House will be considering this very topic in the coming days, and I will provide updates as legislation develops on this front.

It is also important to note that it is not just the federal government that has a role in the rebuilding of New Orleans and the Gulf Coast region. The private sector and non-profits should also remain involved; incentives for investment are necessary; and leadership at the state and local government levels is essential.

--Randy

Previous Roundups can be found on my website at http://www.randy.house.gov/newsroom_roundup.shtml



More Photos Later

DESDEMONA NEWS

BY VONNIE GUTHERY

Desdemona Monthly Musical will be held on Saturday, September 24 at the Community Center (former school building). The concession stand will open at 5:30 p.m. serving sandwiches, homemade pie and drinks. Come early to enjoy suppoer and have fellowship with the group before the music program begins at 6:00 p.m. All area musicians, singers and visitors are invited to attend.

Robert Brown spent a few days this past week in the Scott and White Hospital in Temple. Friends of Desdemona send "Get Well Wishes" to Robert. Maybe his wife, Ima can make Robert slow down and behave himself.

Dorothy Roberts was in Granbury last Sunday to visit her grand-daughter, Emily and Mark Williams and daughter, Kena. This family lost their home and everything by fire early Sunday morning. No one was hurt. Remember this family in your prayers.

Karen Eaves hosted a Family Cook-Out on Monday evening to celebrate a Birthday for her daughter, Holly. Those attending were Lorin Eaves, Pug and Vonnie Guthery, Belinda Webb, Roy and Angela Powledge and children, Colin, Kaley and Lane, Kandice Martin and son, Dylan all of Desdemona. Hamburgers and Birthday Cake was served.

A large crowd attended the Bar-B-Que and Benefit last Saturday night for Meagan Holder at the Desdemona Community Center. Meagan had surgery at the Cook's Children Hospital in Fort-Worth on Friday, September 9th to repair holes in her heart. She was able to attend the benefit. Meagan is the daughter of Donald Wayne and Stephanie Holder and grand-daughter of Donald and Wilma Holder all of Desdemona. Arlington "Rocky" Ash was the auctioneer for the benefit. He is a former resident of Desdemona where he attended school and graduated. The Holder family appreciates each and everyone who had a part in making this event possible. It is wonderful to live in a Community where family and friends can work together to help families like this in their time of need.

Florence (Hughes) Tarrance, 80 of Stephenville was buried on Sunday, September 18 in the Oliver Springs Cemetery northwest of De Leon. Survivors include a daughter, Susan and grandchildren of Stephenville; a sister, Imogene Rogers of Many, Louisiana. Preceded in death by her husband, Jake Tarrance. The Hughes family are former residents of Desdemona where all their children attended school. Florence graduated with the Class of 1943. Our sincere sympathy goes out to this family.

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3. Brief history of the home.
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5. Contact information: name, daytime phone number and/or e-mail address.

A Word in Season

By Pastor Dane Gressett

ADDRESSING COMMON OBJECTIONS (no. 2 in a series.)

Christianity is for the weak. Over the centuries some have suggested that Christianity (and other religions) are really just an escape from reality for those unable to cope with the challenges of life. Karl Marx said, "Religion is the opiate of the masses." Some critics assert that religion is a manmade invention to help weak people cope. "It's a crutch," they say. Some critics respond that they don't need this type of emotional support. Perhaps they think that since they don't perceive any personal need for God that this nullifies the validity of Christianity.

Such people claim to be "stronger" because they are able to face life without a "crutch." To imply non-believers don't need a crutch is not intellectually or morally honest. However, dependence on alcohol, tobacco, drugs, sex, money, power, other people, material possessions, and credit cards is ample proof that these critics have their own crutches. Even atheism is an escape mechanism! The belief that there is no God can be shown to be an attempt to deny one's final accountability to God. That's right. Atheism can be a crutch for those in moral denial. It's a convenient way to put off dealing with the ultimate reality that we will all stand before God one day and give an account for our lives. Atheism is often just a cover up for the control freak.

In reality we all have needs we cannot fully meet on our own. Mankind's moral and social needs usually require solutions beyond. Just as God created the fish to thrive in water and birds to prefer the sky. He created people to flourish only in the midst of sharing and caring relationships with God and fellow man. So the question is not whether or not you have a "crutch." The real question is what types of relationships or things are you relying on? True Christianity provides what atheism, other religions, materialism, and hedonism never can: true and lasting peace and spiritual fulfillment that comes from the knowledge that in Jesus Christ your sins are forgiven and your future secure. This is not a crutch - it is good news! (Questions or comments? Email: dane@txol.net)

News From Cleburne, Texas



Michael Bennett, AIA, left, receives a lion desktop memento from Lion Ed Carroll after his presentation to the Cleburne Lions Club on architectural projects in progress in Fort Worth. Bennett is a Principal of Gideon Toal, an architectural firm offering diversified services including planning urban design. Projects include the Trinity River flood control and economic project, neighborhood redevelopment of the Woodhaven area, redevelopment of the Tandy Center, now vacant, into an area of upscale condominiums, the downtown campus of Tarrant County Junior College, planning and design of bridges along the new Hwy 121 leading to Cleburne and memorials on the TCU campus. Bennett is the son of Fred and Peggy Bennett of Cleburne and the nephew of Joe Bennett.

We began last week with our regularly scheduled school board meeting Monday evening. Present for the meeting were Bobby Rich, Daryl Hirst, Mark Simmons, Melinda Harrington, Larry Thompson, Principal Panter, Coach Tyson, and Superintendent Perry. Visitors present were Becky Smith, Betty Heathington, and Kenneth Heathington. In addition to the regular action item, the board took action on the following:

1. The final budget amendments to the 2004/2005 budget were approved.
2. Superintendent Perry was delegated the authority to determine "substantial care" by a grandparent in connection to a new law regarding student residency.
3. Approved the continued retainer of Powell and Leon, L.L.P. for the 2005-2006 school year.
4. Approved the adjunct personnel agreement with the Eastland County Extension Office.

Mr. Panter, the high school principal, reported about changes that were being implemented to help improve the TAKS scores. There will be bench mark tests administered to identify the areas needing the most attention and then those areas will be targeted for remediation. The students will be doing more writing and working on projects that incorporate more than one curriculum. We are raising the academic bar and will better prepare our students for success. Coach Tyson reported to the board about the most recent success of our football team and how our athletes, both boys and girls, are showing much more dedication and perseverance and he has great expectations for their success this year and especially in the future. He distributed a list to the board and visitors for all the upcoming events for September and October. Mr. Perry reported that the school district had met the requirements under the "No Child Left Behind Act" for showing annual yearly progress. The district also received a superior rating under the Financial Integrity Rating System of Texas. There will be a public meeting in the auditorium at noon on October 4, 2005 for the public to see and discuss these ratings. There was one request received by the school for information under the "Freedom of Information Act" from the Texas Freedom Education Network Fund for a list of all religious courses that we offer as a part of our regular curriculum. We responded that there are none at this time.

I had a complaint from a Gorman resident on Tuesday regarding the school board meeting. He was upset that the school board meeting was held in the meeting room at the elementary. He informed me that the people of Gorman were too intimidated to attend school board meetings in that small room. I informed him that the only reason we moved back to the original board meeting room was at my request to the board since we had only had two visitors at the last regularly scheduled meeting and none at the last two special called meetings. I explained that we would move to a larger room should there be more visitors than the room could handle. He said that the meeting room was so intimidating that residents would not attend if they knew the meeting was even going to begin in that room. I do not know how this gentleman could know that about all of the citizens of Gorman because this has not been my experience here or elsewhere that I have served. However, this man was not at the meeting! The residents of Gorman that I have had the pleasure to meet, including the gentleman making this complaint, have been anything but timid. Everyone has been friendly and welcomed me to town. I have said all of this to get to this point: everyone is welcome to attend board meetings! Not just because it is the law under the "Open Meetings Act", but because this is your school and you are welcome to attend. You are also welcome to stop by my office the day before or the day after a board meeting to discuss board meetings: past, present, or future or anything else that you would like to talk about. That's what an open door policy is and that is what I have.

I said last week that I may have missed some of the names of those that were in competition in cooking contests and sure enough I did. Kaycee Dodd came in 5th place with her cookies. Brittany Henderson came in 2nd place with her pie. Sorry for the oversight!

EDC TALK

As October 1 approaches, we would like to extend another *thank you* to the community for supporting the 4A Sales Tax Incentive on the ballot last May. The Gorman EDC has been busy making preparations to incorporate a new 4A ED Corporation to oversee the funds and begin brainstorming for projects to be developed with these funds.

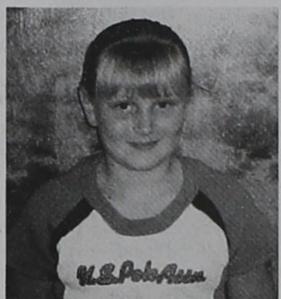
The hard part will be patience while the funds are accumulated and allowed to build and gain interest. Gorman only pulls in about \$20K a year in sales tax revenue for the EDC. This will now double of course, and we can look forward to being able to work on some of the projects/activities that the Community Vision Team has put together.

As always, we welcome your ideas and suggestions. For more information regarding the State Laws of how the 4A and 4B Sales Tax monies can be spent, you can contact Lori Dodd at 734-3933 or gcdc@cctc.net.

Again, thank you to the community for supporting the economic development efforts of the Gorman EDC and the local businesses that need your support as well.

SUPPORT YOUR LOCAL BUSINESSES! SHOP GORMAN FIRST!!

The Elementary Library held a Constitution contest for grades 4, 5, and 6 to celebrate Constitution Day, Sept. 17th. The contest consisted of 10 questions about our Constitution. The classes had all week, (9/12-9/16), to look up the answers. We drew from the entries and the winner with the most correct answers was Jessica Williams. She won a gift certificate for a large pizza from Pizza Pro located here in Gorman. Jessica Williams. She won a gift certificate for a large pizza from Pizza Pro located here in Gorman. Jessica is a fourth grader in Mrs. Bussell's class and is pictured below:



Our volleyball team traveled to Woodson on Tuesday for a double header. They will play in Graford next Tuesday at 4:30p.m. and in Ranger on Thursday at 10a.m.

Thursday our junior high Cubs hosted Perrin-Whitt and won handily with a score of 30-14. These junior high boys are doing an excellent job from start to finish and the coaches are doing a great job of coaching. They travel to Perrin this Thursday to play them again.

The varsity traveled to Perrin for their game and lost 53-24. Once again, our Panthers had an excellent second half. They just had a hard time getting started and that's not surprising though as young as they are as a team. I expect you will see them get better and better as the season progresses. These Panthers never give up and neither do the coaches! Thanks to all of the fans that traveled to the game last week. I know the team and the coaches appreciate it too. Unfortunately, we have no game this week. Their next game is against DeLeon next Friday at 7:30p.m. See you there!

After the Perrin game I traveled on to the MetroPlex looking for used band instruments and was very disappointed with what I found. We have some music stores preparing bids for use on some new instruments, but I want to make sure we have all that we need. One of the problems that we are having is missing instruments. One in particular is our best set of quads. That is a set of four drums. If you have a student that was in the band last year and they still have the school instrument would you please have them return it to Mr. Howard as soon as possible. We will also accept any instruments you wish to donate.

I've had a lot of positive comments about this article and I'd like to thank everyone for the support you are giving the school this year. I will do my best to keep you informed about our activities and remember that every time you do something that supports our school in a positive manner you make a positive influence on the lives of all the children that

Gorman Church of Christ Marks 100th Anniversary

Continued From Page One

Director of ACU Department of Church Relations.

The group was delighted by a presentation by Larry Stogsdill, Minister of the Gorman Church of Christ and better known as "Grandpa" in a Story Hour called, "Grandpa, Tell Me a Story". Children of the congregation gathered around Grandpa as he sat in his rocking chair with his cane, lamp and Bible and told them the story of how the church was built and came to last a hundred years in this place because of the dedication of their grandparents, great-grandparents and beyond.

Mrs. Floy Morrison, age 105 of Alba, Texas was recognized as the oldest living member present of the church at Gorman. Mr. Odie Brightwell, age 104, a member who was faithful in attendance right up until he moved to Stephenville passed away last year and was recognized posthumously with a large number of his family present. Members present in their '90's were Eunice Love and Zena Simpson.

A highlight of the afternoon was the congregational singing. Gene Foster organized the session with songs being led by local leaders, Gene, Nathan Files and Don Underwood. Then former leaders and guests also led the large group in rousing and inspirational singing.

After seeing an inspirational video presentation, the group was led in a special 'Hallelu' song by Jeff Emery, Youth Minister of the church. This song, "My Eyes Have Seen Your Glory" embodied the message of the day, that we must watch the Lamb and keep our eyes on the savior.

Also included in the day's activities were History Rooms filled to overflowing with displays of families, weddings and the Church History. These were enjoyed by people throughout the day.

The church was represented in the Peanut Parade on Saturday, September 10 with a Float depicting the 100 years of service in Gorman. The prize winning float featured a cornice board depicting the present day church as well as a "brush arbor" showing how church members used to worship outdoors in the early days. Zena Simpson, Christine Hammtree and Eunice Love rode in the "present day" church. Dolores Underwood and Becky Laminack rode with many children of the congregation in the "brush covered tabernacle".

Planning and overseeing the activities of the day were the leadership of the church. They are Minister Larry Stogsdill and Youth Minister Jeff Emery. Elders are Gene Foster, Bill Oldham, Cecil Self, Don Underwood and Durward Webb. Deacons are Don Laminack and Ronnie Love. Song Leaders are Gene Foster, Nathan Files and Don Underwood. The church also sponsors missionaries in the Philippines, Salvador Cariaga and Wayne Babilon.

attend here. Let's do our best to accentuate the positive and eliminate the negative in our schools and our community! It takes community involvement for a school to be successful and you are welcome to get involved at Gorman ISD anytime. Remember, this is your school; these are your children; and these children are your future! Come help us shape the future.

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BRIEF EXPLANATORY STATEMENTS OF PROPOSED
CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS
SPECIAL ELECTION NOVEMBER 8, 2005

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| <p>PROPOSITION 1 (HJR 54)
HJR 54 would create a Texas rail relocation and improvement fund in the state treasury and would authorize grants of state revenue and issuance of public debt to relocate, rehabilitate, and expand privately and publicly owned passenger and freight rail facilities and to construct railroad underpasses and overpasses.</p> <p>The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment creating the Texas rail relocation and improvement fund and authorizing grants of money and issuance of obligations for financing the relocation, rehabilitation, and expansion of rail facilities."</p> | <p>PROPOSITION 4 (SJR 17)
SJR 17 would authorize a district judge to deny reinstatement of bail or new bail to a person accused of a felony, if the person's bail had been revoked or forfeited as a result of the person's violation of a condition of release related to the safety of a victim of the alleged offense or to the safety of the community.</p> <p>The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the denial of bail to a criminal defendant who violates a condition of the defendant's release pending trial."</p> | <p>amounts needed, during the loan term. These are in addition to options that would allow a lump sum payment after settlement or regular periodic, predetermined equal amounts over a term of years or the lifetime of the homeowner. Additionally, SJR 7 would: (1) prohibit the agreement from requiring the use of a credit card, debit card or similar device to obtain an advance; (2) prohibit the charge or collection of a transaction fee solely in connection with any debit or advance, after the time the extension of credit is established; and (3) prohibit the lender or holder from unilaterally amending the extension of credit.</p> |
| <p>PROPOSITION 2 (HJR 6)
HJR 6 would provide that marriage in Texas is solely the union of a man and woman, and that the state and its political subdivisions could not create or recognize any legal status identical to or similar to marriage, including such legal status relationships created outside of Texas.</p> <p>The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment providing that marriage in this state consists only of the union of one man and one woman and prohibiting this state or a political subdivision of this state from creating or recognizing any legal status identical or similar to marriage."</p> | <p>PROPOSITION 5 (SJR 21)
SJR 21 would authorize the Legislature to exempt commercial loans from state usury laws that set maximum interest rates. "Commercial loans" are loans made primarily for business, commercial, investment, agricultural, or similar purposes and not primarily for personal, family, or household purposes.</p> <p>The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment allowing the legislature to define rates of interest for commercial loans."</p> | <p>The proposition will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing line-of-credit advances under a reverse mortgage."</p> |
| <p>PROPOSITION 3 (HJR 80)
HJR 80 would provide that local economic development program loans or grants (other than debts secured by a pledge of ad valorem taxes or financed by the issuance of any bonds or other obligations payable from ad valorem taxes) do not constitute or create debt. Any provision of state constitutional law that may prohibit or limit the authority of a political subdivision of the state to incur debt does not apply to those loans or grants.</p> <p>The proposition will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment clarifying that certain economic development programs do not constitute a debt."</p> | <p>PROPOSITION 6 (HJR 87)
HJR 87 would increase the size of the State Commission on Judicial Conduct from eleven to thirteen members by increasing from four to five the number of public members and by adding a constitutional county court judge. The additions would ensure that the commission has an odd number of members, which is required by another provision of the state constitution.</p> <p>The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment to include one additional public member and a constitutional county court judge in the membership of the State Commission on Judicial Conduct."</p> | <p>PROPOSITION 8 (SJR 40)
SJR 40 would clear individual land titles by relinquishing and releasing all claims of state ownership interests, including mineral interests, in two local areas, namely, a roughly 4,600 acre area located roughly 14 miles southeast of Gilmer, Texas, and a separate 900 acre area located north of Tyler, Texas.</p> |
| <p>PROPOSITION 7 (SJR 7)
SJR 7 would authorize new options for reverse mortgage agreements for senior homeowners allowing them to draw advances at unscheduled intervals, if and when needed, and only in the</p> | <p>PROPOSITION 9 (HJR 79)
HJR 79 would authorize the Legislature to provide staggered six year terms of office for board members serving on regional mobility authorities, with no more than one-third of the board positions being appointed every two years.</p> <p>The proposition will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to provide for a six-year term for a board member of a regional mobility authority."</p> | <p>The proposition will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to provide for a six-year term for a board member of a regional mobility authority."</p> |

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Heritage Manor News

By Nancy Hendricks

A Prayer Of Patience

God, teach me to be patient -
Teach me to go slow -
Teach me how to "wait on You"
When my way I do not know . . .

Teach me sweet forbearance
When things do not go right
So I remain unruffled
When others grow up tight . . .

Teach me how to quiet
My racing, rising heart
So I may hear the answer
You are trying to impart . . .

Teach me to let go, dear God,
And pray undisturbed until
My heart is filled with inner peace
And I learn to know Your will.

Provided by Larry Stogsdill

ATTN: The next birthday party for residents is at 2:30 p.m. on Thursday, September 22nd. Six residents will be special honorees for having September birthday. Relatives and friends are welcome. There will be refreshments.

Some guests were James Morris of Levelland, Mark and Pam Hulse of Hobbs, New Mexico, Irene West, James Kinser, Gene and Kay Snider, Woodrow and Helen Browning, Betty Harris, Winnell Browning, Joe Bond, Clarence and Leona Wilson of Stephenville.

On Friday Pat Graham, Judy Killebrew, Jason Killebrew and Ina Smith had BINGO for eleven residents. They enjoyed the prizes of snacks.

Some guests were Jewel Morris and Bonnie D. Stewart of De Leon, Annie Faye Foster, Pam Childers, Lonnie and Edith Grumbles.

Residents send "Deep Sympathy" to the family of Joe Craddock of Seminole who was buried on Thursday, September 8. Those going from Gorman were Ralph and Mary Margaret Hudson, Johnny and Ina Smith and Kay Ann Craddock.

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

On Sunday morning those coming from the First Baptist Church for Sunday School were James, Ellen and Rachel Tucker, Frances Warren and Nelda Mauney. James taught the lesson "Where Purpose Begins". Life question, "Where Should I Begin My Search For Life's Purpose?" Background passages Psalm 8:1-9; Hebrews 2: 5-18. A resident led a prayer. There was seventeen residents and two guests Howard and Pat Hagood present.

Some guests were Jimmy and Verna Lee Little of Eastland, Nell Files of Carbon, Clarence Wilson of Stephenville, Zelda Jordan, Ann Warren and Nancy Hendricks.

On Sunday afternoon those coming for Church from Kokomo were Rev. Clarence and Leona Wilson, Joe Bond, Zelda Jordan, Woodrow and Helen Browning, Ruby Lee Kinser, Ann Warren and Nancy Hendricks. Ruby Lee rendered the Special "God On The Mountain". Bro. Clarence's topic "God Is Still The Same". Bible passages Revelations 21 and Corinthians. There were thirteen residents present. Frankie Stacy and Maxine Huddleston were guests.

Some visitors were Jerry and Larry Majors and Jarrod Majors and Kelly Williams of De Leon, Kim, Ronnie and Elizabeth Ryon of Desdemona and Lendon Shipman.

On Monday morning at 8:00 Karen Guthery made residents happy by fixing hair.

Recent guests were Frankie Stacy, Eunice Love of Seminole, Christine Hammonree, Rev. Barry Schahn, Mary Turner, and Raymond Hattox.

On Monday afternoon Gospel Singers coming were Woodrow and Helen Browning, Billy Joe Dennis, Marjorie Treadway, Ruby Lee Kinser, Daisy Slaton, Frankie Stacy, Zelda Jordan and Nancy Hendricks. Ruby Lee, Billy Joe, Woodrow, Helen brought the specials, "Heavens Jubilee" and "Echoes from the Burning Bush." Zelda Jordan dismissed. There were fifteen residents present.

Some visitors were Bobby and Peggy Ingram, Maudie Husband and Bill Mall of Cisco, Clay Clayton, Clyde Johnson and Sue Pettigrew of Desdemona, Diana Snider, Larry and DeLinda Snider of Gorman.

On Monday Pat Graham, Billie Marble, and Ina Smith had BINGO for ten residents and a guest Frankie Stacy.

Visiting recently were Larry and Calene Barnett of Wylie, Emmitt and Kay Lynn Lasater of Eastland, June Carruth and Susan Carruth.

On Tuesday morning residents enjoyed a Movie in the North Lobby. Some guests were Pat and Howard Hagood, Frances Warren, Mary Jeffs, Cecil and Rena Mae Robertson of Brownwood, Gary Mauney, Nelda Mauney, Billie Marble and Sue Seaton.

Tuesday afternoon a large group of residents were happy to have Betty Duke of Desdemona come play the electric keyboard and led singing for everyone.

Visiting were James and Ruby Lee Kinser, Billy Joe Dennis, Durward Webb, Bonnie Croft of Lake Leon, Max and Janice Grice of Brownfield, Tisha Grice and Daniel Grice of Stephenville.

On Wednesday morning Bro. Larry Stogsdill of Church of Christ came and had chapel. Bible passage Matthew, Chapter 24. Topic "One Will Be Taken And One Will Be Left." Eight residents were attending.

Some visitors have been Thomas and Vickie Seay, James, Ellen and Rachel Tucker, Freddie and Kay Rodgers of Desdemona, Steve Estes of Sanger.

Wednesday afternoon Judy Killebrew, Jeff Killebrew, Billie Marble and Ina Smith had "Crazy BINGO" for nine residents.

Visiting were Bo and Annie Lee Roberts, Dorothy Roberts of Desdemona, George Rodgers, Larry Stogsdill and Beth Shirley.

On Thursday morning residents enjoyed "Exercise" with Ina Smith. Some guests were Darrell and Pat Graham, Judy Killebrew, Jason Killebrew and Jeff Killebrew of De Leon, Susan Lipson.

Thursday afternoon residents enjoyed "Horse Races" (a game) with Ina Smith.

KOKOMO NEWS

By Zelda Jordan

Members of the Kokomo Baptist Church and their guests had a wonderful time of fellowship on Tuesday night, September 13, when they met at the Little Family Cabin on Lake Leon for a fish fry and a report on Christian mission work in Canada. Bro. D. K Hale and Ken Ponath of Cochrane, Alberta, Canada both gave a testimony of the Christian mission work being done in Canada, and expressed their appreciation for the mission offering that the church sends each month to help with the mission work there.

Those attending were: Bro. Clarence and Leona Wilson, D.K.Hale and Ken Ponath of Cochrane, Alberta, Canada, Bobby and Mary Jane Little, Jimmy and Verna Lee Little, Charles and Carolyn Little, James, Jill, Ashley and Breckley Little, Woodrow and Helen Browning, Gene and Kay Snider, James and Mary Donham, James and Ruby Lee Kinser, Bro. James and Jerrie Holt of Carbon, Ed Rodgers of Gorman, Ann Warren, Vicki Seay, Nancy Hendricks, Sylvia Buchanan, Norma Webb and Zelda Jordan.

Woodrow and Helen Browning and Ruby Lee Kinser sang the beautiful song, "God On The Mountain" in the Sunday morning service at the Kokomo Baptist Church. "Happy Birthday" was sung to Aletha Burgess. Betty Jo Overstreet of Gorman was a visitor.

Roy and Sharon Davis of Odessa were visitors at the Kokomo Baptist Church on Sunday night.

Quite a few people from Kokomo and Gorman and the surrounding area were among the very large crowd that attended the Katrina Disaster Benefit Gospel Singing Concert at the Majestic Theater in Eastland on Sunday afternoon. If you missed it, you missed a blessing. We heard some beautiful Gospel music from all those who participated including the Howard Family and the Messengers from Gorman and the Gibbs Family of Venus. The Gibbs family are former residents of Kokomo. Over \$1900 was raised for the Katrina Disaster Relief.

Joe and Glynda Bond visited in Copperas Cove with Shannon, Stephanie, Raegan and Sydney Bond.

Oren and Norma Webb were in Sapulpa, Ok during the weekend to attend the 50th reunion of Oren's High School graduating class. They also visited with a daughter and family, Laura and Ronnie Shelton and daughters, Andrea, Emily and Katherine. They had a great time.

4-H News Eastland County Food Show

The Eastland County Food Show will take place on October 15th at the Siebert Elementary cafeteria. The event will start at 8:45 a.m. Categories and age groups include:

Clover Kids - K thru 2nd or 5 to 8 years old.

Junior - 9 to 11 years

Intermediate - 12 to 13 years old as of August 31, 2005

Senior - 14 to 18 years old as of August 31, 2005

4H'ers will be judged on presentation, knowledge of their recipe, and nutritional information and benefits. There will also be an optional poster contest (22x28 in size) which must relate to fruits and vegetables. Winners in each food category and first place poster will be awarded prizes.

Please contact Beth Stone at 629-2222 if you are interested in participating.

Alvis and Bonnie Scitem of the New Hope community, and Bob and Beverley Pharris of Haskell visited with Larry and Betty Strube.

Betty Little and her daughter, Karen Patterson of Eastland enjoyed a vacation trip to Utah and California and the Yosemite and Sequoia National Parks. They saw a lot of beautiful country and some beautiful orchards and vineyards. They reported a real good time.

Betty Little and Karen Patterson and Charles and Carolyn Little visited with Jimmy and Verna Lee Little on Sunday evening.

Our hearts were saddened to learn of the death of Estelle Craddock of Gorman. She was a wonderful lady that did a lot for her town and community. She will be missed. We extend sincere sympathy to her daughter, Kay Ann Craddock and all the family.

We also extend sincere sympathy to the family of Joe Craddock of Sundown who passed away recently. He was the brother of Mary Margaret Hudson of Gorman and the brother-in-law of Estelle Craddock.

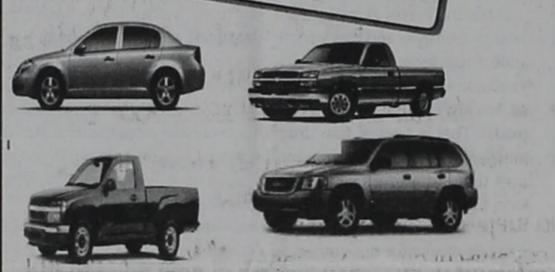
Daisy Slaton and Carol Ward of Gorman and Nancy Hendricks and Sylvia Buchanan visited with Zelda Jordan.

Those visiting with Nancy Hendricks were Roy and Sharon Davis of Odessa, Bertie Stacy, Daisy Slaton, and Carol Ward of Gorman, Sylvia Buchanan and Zelda Jordan.

From an inch and a half to two inches of rain was received on Thursday night and Friday morning as a thunderstorm rumbled through the community. How thankful we are for the rain. Now we need to pray for cooler weather as summer seems very reluctant to give way to fall. We seem to be having some of the hottest temperatures of the summer at this late date.

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22849 2005 GMC Sierra 1500 Reg. Cab - 21 MPG	\$23,432	\$3,000	\$2,792	\$17,640 + TT & L
23829 2005 GMC Sierra 1500 Ext. Cab - 21 MPG	\$25,085	\$3,000	\$3,671	\$18,414 + TT & L
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