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MAY 26, 2005

# GHS Graduation and 8th Grade Promotion Exercises Set Thursday and Friday

Gorman Eighth Grade Promotion

Thursday, May 26, 2005

7:30 P.M.

Processional

Class

Invocation

Emily Lewis, Salutatorian

Welcome

Jordan Perry, Salutatorian

Valedictorian

Miles Vann

Class History

Matt Underwood

Awards

Latricia Hampton, Counselor

Ronny Wright,

Presentation of Certificates

Principal

Salutatorian

Emily Lewis

Class

Perla Velasquez

Recessional

Benediction

Valedictorian



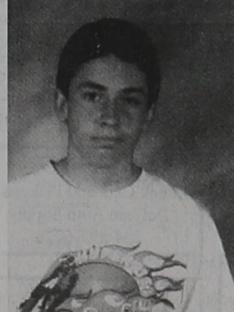
**Monday Night** 

Dance In

De Leon



Salutatorian Jordan Perry



### tainment. The dance is smoke free and no alcohol. Everyone is wel-For more information contact Gene Williams at 254-445-4426.

There will be a dance every Monday night from 7 p.m. until 9:30

p.m. at the DeLeon City Hall. Ad-

mission is \$4.00. The Best Classic

Country featuring Outcast as enter-

## Desdemona Monthly Musical

Desdemona Monthly Musical will be held on Saturday night, May 28 at the Community Center. Concession stand will open at 5:30 p.m. with sandwiches, homemade pie and drinks. Come early to enjoy supper before the music program begins at 6:00 p.m. All area musicians, singers, and visitors are invited to attend. Take time out from your busy schedule to come and enjoy the food, music and fellowship with this group.

> Pool Opens Saturday, May 28th Admission 1/2 Price (Regular Price \$2.00) Opens At 12 Noon Closes At 5 P.M. Pool Phone Number 734-2053 Operator · Natalie Boswell

Valedictorian



Ashlee Hornback

Ashlee is the daughter of Jeff and Jeanene Roemisch and Lee and Sonja Hornback. She was born on June 29, 1987 in Eastland, Texas. She entered the Gorman Schools in 1992.

& M and major in dentistry.

tive Speaking - 3; Regional UIL - All, PALS. 1,2,3,4; Miss GHS - 4; Most Likely Wittiest - 3; Volleyball MVP - 2, 3; Cross Country MVP - 1,3; Bastrict Volleyball - 4; 2nd Team All- Mexican food. District Softball - 1; 1st Team All-District Softball - 2,3; 2nd Team Hop, and Mexican music. All-District Basketball - 4; Cross Honor Society - 2,3,4; National leader.

Salutatorian



Elizabeth Hipolito

Elizabeth is the daughter of Anastacio and Maria Hipolito. She was born on November 19, 1986 in Comanche, Texas.

Elizabeth plans to attend Tarleton State University and major in Ashlee plans to attend Texas A business administration.

Honors and activities include the Honors and activities include National Honor Society, National State Champion Informative Art Honor Society, Member of the Speaking - 4; 6th Place Informa- Junior Bank Board, U.I.L., Art for

Hobbies include spending time to Succeed - 4; Most Athletic - 4; with family and friends, listening to music, shopping and reading.

Favorite foods are Chinese, Italketball MVP - 4; 1st Team All-Dis- ian and last but not least homemade

Favorite music is Rock/Pop, Hip-

Country - 1,2,3,4; Basketball - Honor Society President - 4; FBLA 1,2,3,4; Track - 1,2; Softball - Reporter - 4; FFA Vice President; 1,2,3,4; Cheerleader - 1,2,3,4; FFA Sweetheart - 1,3; Class Princess Homecoming Queen - 4; Prom - 1,2; Chamber of Commerce Out-Queen - 4; Class President - 4; standing Student - 1,2,3; Masonic Class Secretary - 3; Band Vice- Lodge Citizenship Award - 1,2,3,4; President - 1,2; Band - 1,2; Student Todd Anderson Fighting Heart Council President - 4; Student Award - 2,4; Star Greenhand Award Council Vice President - 3; Student - 1; Community Service Awards -Council Secretary - 2; National 250 hours; FCA All-Star Cheer-

# Carbon Community Baptist Church **Vacation Bible School June 1-5**

The Carbon Community Baptist Church, Carbon, Texas, will hold their annual Vacation Bible School June 1 to June 5, 2005.

This year's theme is "Beach Party Blast." There will be Bible stories, games, music, crafts, and refreshments.

We will have classes open for children kindergarten through 6th grade. We will start each evening at 6:30 p.m. and dismiss at 8:30 p.m. Come join us for all the fun on Wednesday, June 1, 2005.

For more information call the Church at 639-2560 or Martha Wood at 639-2361.

## Fifth Sunday Gospel Singing Desdemona Community Center

There will be a Fifth Sunday Gospel Singing at the Desdemona Community Center on Sunday, May 29, 2005.

All singers, groups, and soloist are invited to come help us "make a joyful sound unto the LORD."

The concession stand will open at 12:30 and the singing will begin at 1:00. To assist us in scheduling, please let us know approximately what time you are planning to attend by Friday, May 27. Call 254-758-2571 or drop a note to the Desdemona Community Center and Foundation, P.O. Box 32, Desdemona, Texas, 76445.

If you do not want to sing, come anyway and enjoy some wonderful music and good fellowship.

# Sandra Cagle In Gorman June 8th

Sandy Cagle will be at the Gorman City Hall on June 8th from 9:00 until 11:30 for auto registration instead of June 15th due to her attendance at the TAC Conference in Austin.

## John Deere Lawn **Mower Drawing**

It's mowing season again! The Gorman Livestock Raisers Association is having a drawing for a John Deere L100 Riding Lawn Mower. The retail value of this tractor is \$1,499.00. The tickets are \$10 each and the lawn mower will be given away mid-May.

To purchase a ticket contact Larry Thompson at 734-3354, or see a GLRA member.

Happy mowing!

Commencement

Friday, May 27, 2005

7:30 P.M.

Processional

Senior Class

Invocation

Ronny Wright, Principal

Salutatorian

Elizabeth Hipolito

Parent Recognition

Senior Class

Ashlee Hornback

Valedictorian

Presentation of

Latricia Hampton, Counselor

Scholarships Presentation of

Diplomas

Ronny Wright, Principal Leslie Vann, Superintendent

Bobby Rich, President of the Board

Presentation of Class

Ronny Wright, Principal

Response

Leslie Vann, Superintendent

Benediction

Richard Watson, Minister New Hope Baptist Church

Recessional

Senior Class

## Memorial Day Celebration Planned



You are invited to attend a Memorial Day Celebration on Monday, May 30th at 2:00 p.m. to dedicate a new monument, honoring Confederate Pioneers that settled NW Comanche County (Sipe Springs area). Location is 16 miles west of DeLeon on FM 587.

Homemade ice cream and refreshments will be served following the ceremony at the 1870 home built by CSA Pvt. Sam Percifield. This historic house will also be open for tours.

There is no charge to attend this celebration.

For more information contact Thomas Harrison at 254/734-2570 or 254/734-5058, rebeltom@cctc.net.

## ITEMS OF INTEREST

The Order of the Eastern Star holds its regular stated meetings on the first Monday of each month at 7:30 p.m.

LIBRARY — Charlie Garrett Memorial Library will be open Monday thru Friday from 3 to 5 p.m.

Gorman Oaklawn Cemetery Donations can be sent to Aline Garrett, P. O. Box 711, Gorman, Tx 76454 or to American State Gorman Masonic Lodge No. 716 A.F. & A.M. Regular stated

meetings are 2nd Tuesday of each month at 7:30 p.m. Members are urged to attend. Visitors are always welcome. Bob Wilkerson, Master — Pat Moseley, Secretary.

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

### FOOD BANK New Hours - 10 - 11:00 a.m.

Second Thursday

**Boy Scouts** Meeting Week Tuesdays — 6:30 p.m. **Methodist Church** 

4-H - Meets Second Monday of each month at 6:00 p.m. at the First United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall - Amy Wood - 734-2973.

SANDRA CAGLE WILL BE IN GORMAN AT THE CITY OFFICE TO RENEW AUTO LICENSE PLATES. HER NEXT VISIT - WEDNESDAY JUNE 8TH FROM 9 - 12 NOON.

Oakland Cemetery Association is accepting donations for the Care of the Cemetery. Donations can be sent to Oakland Cemetery Association, 503 N. Fisher, Gorman, Tx 76454, or American State Bank, Gorman, Texas 76454.

**BLOOD PRESSURE CHECKS** — Blood Pressure Checks by Heritage Manor of Gorman. Every Wednesday at Senior Citizens at 11:00 a.m. Other week at Gorman Hotel at 10:30 a.m.

in Christ, the Methodist Church, Boy Scouts and Higginbotham Fu-

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my recent election as School Board

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Trustees are to our school and how

important our school is to our com-

munity. I appreciate your support

in the election and ask that you con-

tinue to support our school and the

Receives BA Degree

Graduating May 15,

2005 at Austin College in

Sherman was Leigh Ann

Miears with a Bachelor of

Arts degree in communica-

tion. Services were held on

the grounds of the 156 year

old college at 9 a.m. Sun-

day morning. The 360

graduates were greeted

with a perfect morning,

many family and friends

Speaker for the com-

mencement address was Dr.

Robert Ballard, oceanogra-

pher and world traveler,

discoverer of the sunken Titanic, and founder of the

JASON program for thou-

sands of students and

teachers studying science

and technology for deep

projects. He is well known for his National Geographic

adventures and underwater

of Leigh Ann's roommates,

family and friends cel-

ebrated with an outdoor

picnic at Baker Park, ca-

tered by parents. John

served barbecue ribs, ka-

bobs, filet minon and all the

trimmings. Among those

attending were grandpar-

ents James and Eula Miears

of Gorman, Jim and Jacque

of Sherman and other

grandparents, cousins and

Leigh Ann has registered

and will begin work on her

Masters Degree beginning

this summer semester and

plans to graduate with Mas-

ters Degree in May next

After the ceremony, two

technology.

friends.

and geo-physics

and celebrities.

From Austin College

Board of Trustees in the future.

Thank you,

s/Larry Thompson

Leigh Ann Miears

I would like to thank the people

was deeply appreciated.

The Lord Bless

neral Home.

## Obituaries

## Lee Elmer **Pettigrew**

Lee Elmer Pettigrew, 75 of Desdemona passed away on Wednesday, May 18, 2005 at his residence. Services were Saturday, May 21, 2005 at the Desdemona Baptist Church with Jess McCabe officiating. Burial was at the Junction Cemetery in Junction, Texas.

Mr. Pettigrew was born on April 17, 1930 in London, Texas to the late Henry Elmer Pettigrew and Fannie Flay Solomon Pettigrew. He married Velma Louis Doss on September 25, 1948; she preceded in 1993; he later married Sue Roberson Owens on September 22, 203. He was a truck driver, welder, cedar mill laborer; resident of Desdemona since 1993 coming from Junction, and a member of the Desdemona Baptist Church.

Survivors include his wife Sue Pettigrew of Desdemona; sons, Henry Edward Pettigrew and wife Donna of Mesa, AZ, Michael Douglas Pettigrew and wife R.J. of 28 grandchildren and 25 great-Crews, Rick Kitchen and wife Noelle of Carrollton; daughters Vir-Crews and Dorothy Louise Lehmann and companion Jack Grumbles of Ft. Worth; sister Dorothy Pudinski of Sacromento, California and Faye Haines of Junction;

### Joe H. Ross

Joe H. Ross, age 73 of Ranger, passed away Friday, May 20, 2005 at a Fort Worth hospital. Services were Sunday, May 22, 2005 at the Higginbotham Funeral Home Chapel with Durward Webb officiating. Burial followed at Sardis Cemetery in Comanche County.

Mr. Ross was born November 20, 1931 in Sweetwater to George Ross and Daisy (Walker) Ross. He married Sue Grice on October 8, 1955 in Gorman. He was a retired Bell Helicopter supervisor. Joe was a veteran of the Korean War serving in the U.S. Army. He was a member of the Church of Christ and the American Legion in Eastland.

He is survived by wife, Sue Grice Ross of Ranger; four sons, Cody Ross of Ranger, Rodney Ross of Arlington, Bruce Ross of Hudson Oaks and Mike Ross of Ranger; one brother, Don Ross of Richland Hills; ten grandchildren and nine

grandchildren.

Preceded by one brother Henry ginia Lee Parr and husband Jack of Pettigrew and three sisters Viola Ewing, Lola Moorehouse and Lila

> Memorials may be made in Lee's honor to a cancer charity of

## **Hazel Marine**

Mrs. Decker was born December 24, 1914 in Gorman to Charlie Robinett and Leona (Burns) Robinett. She married Calvin Decker on December 22, 1939 in Eastland. He preceded her in death in August 1962. She was a dental assistant for Dr. J.B. Brandon for thirty years. She was a member of

Survivors include twin daughters, Faith Burns and Hope Decker both of Gorman; one sister, Frankie Davidson of Grand Prairie.

She was preceded in death by her parents, three brothers and three sis-

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# Decker

Hazel Marine Decker, age 90, passed away Wednesday, May 18, 2005 at her home in Gorman. Graveside services were Friday, May 20, 2005 at the Gorman Cemetery with Durward Webb officiat-

the Church of Christ.

ters.

great grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents and one daughter, Darenda Sue



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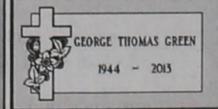
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Rebekah Powell, 11, of Gorman caught this 4 1/2 pound bass in 3 feet of water on a farm tank in Montague County. She was using her brandnew spinning rod and was throwing a spinner bait. It was the big fish for the day and her biggest catch. Rebekah is the daughter of Bob and Deann Powell, and "little sister" Mary Kathryn Powell, all of Gorman.

### EDC Talk

The Gorman EDC hosted the first "Creating a Vision" meeting at the Community Center last Thursday evening. Those attending were: Lon Dodd (Gorman EDC), Judy Warren (Gorman EDC), Cliffa Vaughn (Gorman EDC), Matt Fritts (Gorman EDC), Mayor Robert Ervin, GHS Principal Ronny Wright, City Commissioner Joe Casey, City Commissioner Nathan Files, GISD Superintendent Leslie Vann, City Commissioner Charlie Torrez, Suzan Lipson (Gorman GROW), Phillip Lipson concerned citizen, Martha Harrington (GISD teacher), Mike Brudnak (Gorman GROW), Melinda Harrington (GISD Board of Trustees), Curly Lipson (Gorman GROW), City Commissioner Tony Carter, Beth Underwood (GISD Board of Trustees), John Keeping (President Gorman GROW), Jeff Seaton (GISD Board of Trustees) and Veronica Seaton (Gorman Chamber of Commerce). It was very encouraging to see such a large turnout for the first meeting in this extremely busy time of year.

The meeting was facilitated by Kevin Christian, from Gov. Rick Perry's office of Economic Development and Tourism, Consultant Drew Brown, and Robert Puls from the Workforce Development Board. These men worked with the group to perform a S.W.O.T. analysis of our community. S stands for Strengths, W is for Weaknesses, O = Opportunities, and T=Threats. We also covered items that were noted at the top 10 Needs back in 2000 when we did a Community Assessment through the Texas Rural Development Council. Some of those problems have been solved, like health care and cleaning up our community. But others are still posing pressing needs for us all. By the end of the evening the group determined our top Assets to be:

- \* our School system,
- \* our location.
- our quality of life,
- the technology infrastructure already in place.

We determined our top Challenges to be:

- Attitude (keeping positive)
- Integration (encourage integration/participation of Hispanic families)
- \* No current vision
- Inadequate Housing

Shared Responsibilities/Accountability

The group will be meeting again on May 31 at 6 pm at the Community Center. If you are interested in participating, please feel free to come join in to help this strategic planning for our community become a reality. We hope to develop a vision/mission or master plan-so to speak-that allows each organization in the community to play a part in the success of 'keeping Gorman alive' and providing life and quality of life for our residents and the surrounding area. If you are an active member of GLRA, Masonic Lodge, Lions Club, GHS school organizations, Gorman VFD, Cub Scouts/Boy Scouts, Ministerial Alliance, or any organization, please come be a part and make YOUR contribution to our success!

For questions or additional information about this meeting, please con-

tact Lori Dodd at 734-3933.

## CJC to Host Basketball Camp

The Cisco Junior College Basketball Program will be hosting and July 11-14 from 9:00 a.m. two Little Wrangler Basketball 12:00 noon. Camps this summer. Tommy ball coach, said that the camps will tsimmons@cisco.cc.tx.us. focus on fundamental drills, shoot- online registration, log or ing, passing, skills games, and congirls ages 5 - 12, and each participant will receive a camp T-shirt and camp ball. Cost is \$55 per camper.

Camps will be held June 13-16,

For more information, please Simmons, CJC's women's basket- call (254) 442-5174 or email www.cisco.cc.tx.us and click Athtests. The camps are for boys and letics, then Basketball-Women's, then Summer Camps.

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### **Bid Notice**

Eastland County Precinct #4 will be taking bids on a 1976 Hobbs end-dump trailer. Bids should be received in the Eastland County Auditor's Office at 100 West Main Street, Suite 205, Eastland, Texas 76448 on or before June 10, 2005. NMark the front of the envelope "trailer bid." Trailer may be viewed at the Precinct #4 barn at 101 West 18th in Cisco between 8:00 and 4:00 Monday through Friday or by appointment with Commissioner Pittman. 442-2160. 2-6-2

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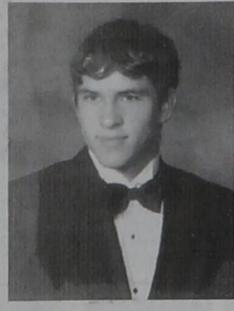
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# Congratulations Graduates!!



Adam Spivey

Adam is the son of Steve and Tracy Spivey. He was born on July 6, 1987 in Eastland.

Adam plans to go to college for diesel technology in Sweetwater. Hobbies include hunting, fishing and working on cars.

Favorite food is Mexican food. Favorite music is Texas Country.



Joanna Esquivel

Joanna is the daughter of the late Blanca Esquivel and Jose and Ana Morales. She was born on February 18, 1987 in Eagle Pass, Texas. Joanna transferred to Gorman Schools in 2000 from Eagle Pass Jr. High.

Joanna plans on attending Tarleton State University and majoring in Spanish and later get a job that involves Spanish in some way.

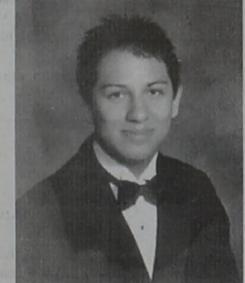
Honors and activities include NHS, NAHS (National Art Honor Society), U.I.L., Art for All.

Hobbies include drawing, writing, watching lots of T.V. and spending time with friends.

Favorite food is Mexican, but

does like almost everything.

Favorite music is anything that has a good beat.



Luis Ramirez

Luis is the son of Luis and Catherine Ramirez. He was born on November 27, 1986 in Llano, Texas. He entered the Gorman Schools at kindergarten.

Luis plans to go to Tarleton State University to become a registered nurse.

Honors and activities include Class Secretary, Class Reporter, Drum Major, Student Council Rep-

resentative, Class Favorite. Hobbies include hanging out with friends.

Favorite food is 'Mommy's

food.

Favorite music is Alternative, Reggaeton, Spanish Music, Coun-



Maria Jocabed Garcia

Maria is the daughter of Gerardo and Maria Dolores Garcia. She was born on October 26, 1985 in Guanajuanto, Mexico. She transferred to the Gorman Schools in August 2002.

Maria plans to attend college in Ranger and sees where she ends up.



Amanda Alese Hair

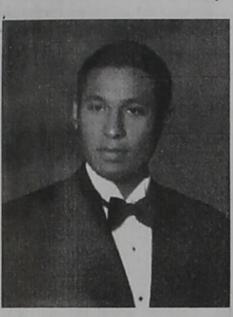
Amanda is the daughter of Bill and Sherri Hair. She was born on March 27, 1987 in Abilene, Texas. She transferred to the Gorman Schools from Merkel in 1998.

Amanda plans to attend TSTC. Honors and activities include softball - 1, 2, 3, 2nd team All District softball - 2, Track - 1, 2, 3, Basketball - 1, 2, Volleyball - 1, Band - 1, 2, 4, Flags - 1, 2, 4, Flag Captain - 1.

Hobbies include watching T.V., shopping.

Favorite foods are steak and BBQ.

Favorite music is Texas country.



Ivan Madera

Ivan is the son of Enrique and Elvia Madera. He was born on February 3, 1987 in Stephenville.

Ivan plans to go to college and get a good job.

Honors and activities include 1st Team All-District, 4 time A/4 Award Winner.

Hobbies include hanging out, playing Nintendo.

Favorite food is 'Mom's food.' Favorite music is Rock and Hip-



Michael Grissom

Michael is the son of Bobby and Donna Grissom. He was born on January 3, 1987 at Hendricks Hos-

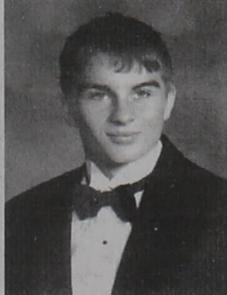
in Sweetwater to become a diesel mechanic.

football, powerlifting, 7th grade one act play.

Hobbies are hunting, fishing and

sirloin steak.

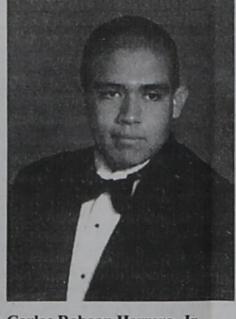
Favorite music is rap, country and rock.



Reed. He was born on February 16, 1987 in Comanche. He entered the

VASE, PALS, NAHS and FCCLA. Hobbies include listening to

food' and pizza.



Carlos Roboan Herrera, Jr.

Carlos is the son of Carlos and Rosa Herrera. He was born on March 24, 1986 in Gorman. He entered Gorman Schools in 1991.

Carlos plans to attend Weatherford College.

Honors and activities were baseball - Freshman, Sophomore, and Junior, Jr. Class Treasurer.

Hobbies include hanging out with friends and cruising around. Favorite foods are spaghetti, steak, and pizza.

Favorite music is country.



Dana Rena Longoria

Dana is the daughter of John and Katrina Longoria. She was born on August 3, 1987 in Abilene. She entered the Gorman Schools in 1999, transferring from Cisco.

Dana plans to go to TSTC to become a nurse.

Honors and activities were Flags - 1,2,3,4; Band - 1,2,3;4; Track -Freshman, Flag Captain - Senior. Hobbies include reading.

Favorite food is pizza.

Favorite music is country.



ley Lewis. She was born on February 3, 1986 in Stephenville. She entered the Gorman School at kindergarten in 1992.

Frances plans to keep working and everything else is undecided at the moment.

PALS, NAHS, and Art for All.

Hobbies include drawing, painting, spending time with family, friends and loved ones, and shop-

Favorite foods are pizza, Chinese, chicken and 'my mom's homemade plum jelly.'

Favorite music is Rock, Classical, some Country and some Rap.

# Seniors!!!

Gorman Schools when he was in the 6th grade, transferring from Stephenville.

State University and become a teacher and coach.

All-District Selection in Football, Basketball, and Baseball. State Finalist in Poetry. Two-time Regional Qualifier in Powerlifting. In a Re-Qualifying OAP. Powerlifting MVP, Regional Qualifier in Persuasive Speaking.

Hobbies include playing sports

Favorite foods include 'Mother's but onions and stuff that used to be Rachel Rene Granado

country and punk rock.

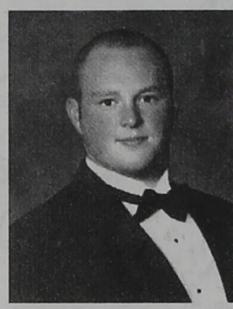


Amanda Naeseth

Amanda is the daughter of Cynthia Woodall and Giles Naeseth. She was born on April 26, 1987 in Fort Worth, Texas. She entered the Gorman School in 1999, transferring from Swift Elementary.

Amanda plans to attend Tarleton State University and major in

Honors and activities include Basketball - 2; Track - 2,3,4; Cheerleader - 3,4; Powerlifting - 3,4; FFA - 2; Area Track - 4; Powerlifting Regionals - 3,4; Powerlifting State - 4; All American Cheerleader nominee - 4; Poetry Scholarship Contest semi-finalist.



J.T. Whitfill

J.T. is the son of Rod and Kathy Whitfill. He was born on September 14, 1985 at Duncan Memorial Hospital. He entered the Gorman Schools 2001-2002, transferring from Perrin-Whitt.

J.T. plans on attending college at Grayson Community College and become a teacher and coach.

Honors and activities include football, powerlifting, golf, track, FBLA, and FFA.

Hobbies include scratch art, lifting weights and hanging out with FFA and PALS. friends. Favorite food is everything.



**Jazzminde Taylor Reeves** Jazzaminde is the daughter of Ronnie and Effie Taylor. She was born on November 5, 1985 in Cisco, Texas. She entered the Gorman Schools in 2003, transferring from Dublin.

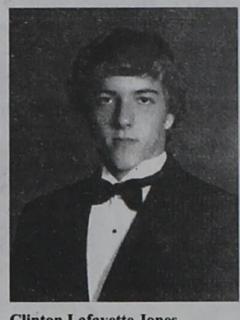
Jazzaminde plans to attend CJC and get an Associate degree in accounting and then transfer to Tarleton and get a Bachelors in the same thing. She also wants to get married and have kids.

Honors and activities include FBLA member, performed many hours Community Service, helped with PALS. Hobbies include sitting at my

house, watching T.V., sleeping, hanging out with people I love. Favorite foods are Ramen

Noodles, Mac & Cheese, Vienna





Clinton Lafayette Jones

Clinton is the son of Mike Jones and Tammy and David Wiseman. He was born on March 19, 1987 in Cleburne, Texas.

Clinton plans on attending Texas A & M in College Station, Texas.

Honors and activities include All-District selection in football, basketball, and baseball; Regional Qualifer in Prose; Regional OAP, Mr. GHS, Most Likely to Succeed, Most Talented, Student Council Treasurer, Class Vice-President, NHS Vice-President.

Hobbies include playing any kind of sport, eating, sleeping and playing X-Box.

Favorite food is any kind of Mexican food.

Favorite music is whatever is playing on the radio.



**Doneil Strawbridge** 

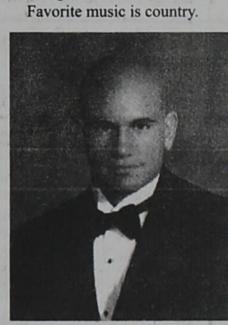
Doneil is the daughter of Ruth and Joe Strawbridge. She was born on October 19, 1986 in Rochester, New York. She entered the Gorman Schools in 2004, transferring from DeLeon.

Doneil plans to attend Cisco Jr. College.

Honors and activities include

Hobbies include listening to music and working outside on my

farm. Favorite foods are pizza and hamburgers.



Gil Cochrane Gil is the son of Robert and Charisse Lewis. He was born on July 21, 1987 in Weatherford,

Gil plans on attending TSTC in Brownwood and after graduating there start welding.

School honors and activities include FFA, football all 4 years, Freshman--powerlifting, track, baseball, Sophomore--track.

Hobbies include hunting, reading, hanging out with friends and working.

Favorite music is Texas Country.

Sausages and milk. Favorite music is all kinds (but

mostly country). She entered the Gorman Schools

in 1991. Rachel plans on attending Tar-

leton State University in the fall and majoring in computer information systems. Honors and activities include

Senior year-Yearbook, FBLA Secretary, FCCLA Vice-President, Student Council Secretary, Class Vice President, Volunteerd for PALS, NHS, Meals on Wheels; Junior year - Class President, Student Council Treasurer, FBLA Treasurer, FCCLA, NHS member, basketball, softball; Sophomore year - Class President, NHS member, basket



**Ariana Giles** 

Ariana is the daughter of Armando and Alba Giles. She was born on September 26, 1987 in Los Angeles, California. She entered the Gorman Schools in the second grade - 1994-1995.

Ariana plans on attending Tarleton State University and to keep working.

Honors and activities include National Honor Society, FCCLA, FBLA, Annual Staff, U.I.L. and Band.

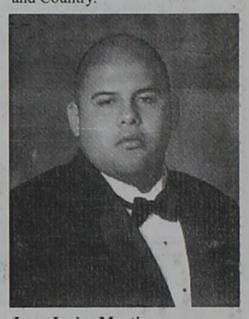
Favorite food is pizza, 'Mom's food,' and chicken tenders.

going to the movies, going to

dances, and hanging out with

Hobbies are listening to music,

Favorite music is Rap, Spanish, and Country.



Juan Javier Martinez

Martinez. He was born on July 6, 1986 in Midland. He entered the Gorman Schools at 6th grade, transferring from Roswell, New Mexico. Juan plans to attend college and

Juan is the son of Adelaida

find a good job. Honors and activities include Sargeant of Arms, Honorable Men-

tion in Football. Hobbies include hanging out with friends.

Favorite food is 'Mommy's food. Favorite music is Rap, Rock,



Kendra De'Ann Bailey

Kendra is the daughter of the late Kip Bailey and Abel and Sally Saldana. She was born on February 11, 1987 in Shattuck, Oklahoma. Kendra transferred to Gorman Schools in 1999 from Gustine.

Kendra plans to become a certi-

fied pharmaceutical technician. Honors and activities include the NHS, Newcomer of the Year (softball catcher), Who's Who Among American Students, All American Scholar, Fighting Heart Award, Class Favorite, Most Wittiest, English & Science Merit Award, Class

Hobbies include riding around in her truck, watching TV, hanging out in Stephenville with Lydia.

Favorite foods are chicken tacos, burritos from Taylors, nachos from Montanas.

Favorite music is all music except classical and jazz.

ball, softball, tennis, band; Freshman year - Class President, FBLA member, FCCLA member, basketball, softball, band. Hobbies include watching

sports, listening to music, watching movies, hanging out with friends, dancing and sleeping. Favorite foods include pizza, popcorn, chicken, mashed potatoes

with melted cheese and other fast foods.

Favorite music is alternative. hip-hop, and country.



pital in Abilene at 4:20 a.m. Michael plans to attend TSTC

Honors and activities include

Favorite foods are chicken and



Ryan Wright

Ryan Wright is the son of Mary

music, reading some and being with and eating.

Favorite music is Spanish music Honors and activities include and English music.



Frances Grace Lewis

Frances is the daughter of Shir-

Honors and activities include

# Way to Go

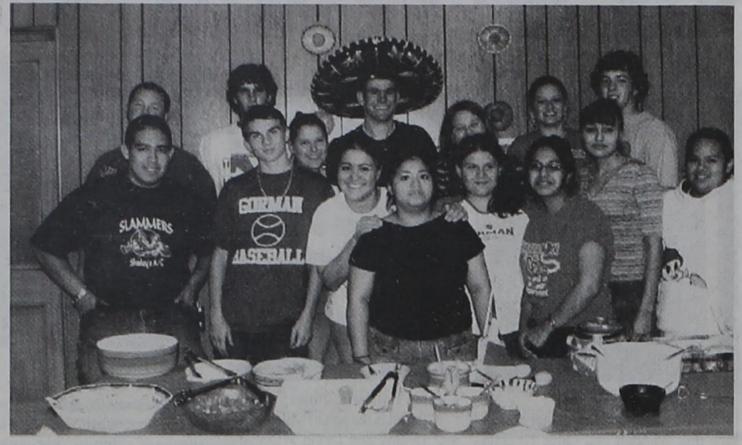
Ryan plans to attend Tarleton

Honors and activities include

Favorite foods are everything

Rachel is the daughter of Alex Favorite music is anything but and Teresa Granado. She was born on February 4, 1987 in Stephenville.

## First Baptist Church Has **Mexican Dinner for Seniors**



On May 19, First Baptist Church feted the graduating seniors with a Mexican dinner. There was lots of food-tacos, burritos, beans and all the trimmings. It was fix your own any way you want-so they did again and again. Finishing with ice cold watermelon. A very short program was given by Allen Gibbs.

Congratulations to all the seniors.

### Coules III Sunday School Class Fish Fry

Coules III Sunday school class of First Baptist Class had a fish fry at the home of Darlavone and Harold Zink on Friday last week. Two cookers of fish and hush puppies were going and lots of other great food furnished by everyone. There were beans, potato salad, homemade peach and blackberry cobblers, great chocolate cake, veggie tray.

Coach Gibbs fishes a lot and needed to get rid of a lot of them, so we managed to help him out.

## **DeVore Receives Degree**

A Gorman student was among a record 1,479 SPC students who received degrees and certificates Friday (May 13) at South Plains College's 47th commencement exercises.

"Commencement signifies the completion of one phase of our students' lives and the beginning of another," said Dr. Kelvin Sharp, SPC president. "We are very proud of our 2005 graduates, and we wish them the best in the future."

Amanda DeVore from Gorman received an Associate of Applied ScienceDegree in Respiratory Care.

## A Word in Season

By Pastor Dane Gressett

**BLESSINGS AND CURSES** 

"And I will bless those who bless you, and the one who curses you I will curse. And in you all the families of the earth will be blessed..." (Genesis 12:3)

God's promise to Abraham has amazing implications for our lives today. From the beginning of the Bible we learn that God is a good God who wants to bless every family and every person. We also learn one of the keys to living under God's blessing: we must bless what God is blessing and be careful not to curse.

"To bless" means to speak well of or to say good things about the person or subject at hand. But a very important idea surfaces as we look at the meaning of the words "curses" and "curse" in the verse above. Though the same English word is used in both cases, the ancient Hebrew texts use two different words. The first is "qalal" and the second is "arar". "Qalal" means to "belittle with one's mouth", that is, to speak evil of or say negative things about. "Arar" means to bring trouble and evil upon. So a fuller translation of this verse could be: "And I will bring evil and trouble upon the one who belittles you with their mouth." This is a promise and a warning from God. Be careful what you say about others.

To enjoy the blessings of God I must be careful to say what God says about others. I must be careful not to enter into speaking evil of those who disagree with me. Jesus echoes this concept when He says, "Bless those who curse you, pray for those who mistreat you." (Luke 6:28) The real test comes when folks criticize or speak evil of us. How will we respond? If we respond with cutting remarks and slanderous comments about their motives, then we are entering into a dangerous place. Remember, it is possible to disagree with folks without speaking evil of their motives and character. It is possible to think differently than another person on an issue without assassinating the character of your opponent.

If we curse others (belittle them with our words) we are in danger of inviting the opposition of God Himself. Nobody really wants to live there. But unfortunately many people do. More on this subject next week.

### **DESDEMONA NEWS**

BY VONNIE GUTHERY

Desdemona Monthly Musical will be held on Saturday night, May 28 at the Community Center. Concession stand will open at 5:30 p.m. with sandwiches, homemade pie and drinks. Come early to enjoy supper before the music program begins at 6:00 p.m. All area musicians, singers, and visitors are invited to attend. Take time out from your busy schedule to come and enjoy the food, music and fellowship with this group.

Victor Cemetery Working day will be on Saturday, May 28. Bring your basket of food, make plans to stay for lunch and visit with your family and friends to attend each year. Business meeting will follow the noon meal.

Gospel Singing Day will be held on Sunday afternoon, May 29 at the Desdemona Community Center. The concession stand will open at 12:30 p.m. and the singing will begin at 1:00 p.m. Come early and enjoy lunch before the singing begins. All area singing groups and visitors are invited to attend. No admission fee. Four more information call Betty Duke at 254-758-2571.

Pug and Vonnie Guthery attended the Olden Monthly Musical on Friday night, May 20. Also they attended the Strawn Monthly Musical on Saturday night, May 21. Each of these musicals have a nice concession stand, lots of musicians and visitors too.

Karen Eaves and granddaughter, Lorin of Desdemona; Angela Powledge and children, Colin, Kaley and Lane of Eastland spend last Sunday afternoon in Abilene enjoying the Circus.

This reporter would like to say "Hello" to Harold Caudle and wife, Daphene in Strawn. He is slowly recovering from recent heart bypass surgery. Harold and wife attend the annual Homecoming and School Reunion as often as possible.

Father's Day is just around the corner and you may wonder what gift is perfect for your Dad. Give a visit to the newest store on Main Street in Desdemona-Lindley Clayton's Gun Shop. He has a good selection of guns, rifles, pistols, gun carrying cases, belt buckles with polished stone inserts made by Lindley and other gems. This building was built during the Boom Days and served as the First National Bank and later on in the late '30's and '40's it was a well stocked grocery store owned by T.H. Key and

Larry Bob Abel passed away and was buried May 15, 2005 in Jal, New Mexico. Survivors include his wife and family; his parents Robert and Evelyn (Joiner) Abel all of Jal., New Mexico. Robert and Evelyn are former residents of Desdemona where they

attended school and graduated. Larry Clark of Olney passed away and was buried on Monday, May 16 in the Desdemona Cemetery. Survivors include his family and a sister, Beverly Barr. Preceded in death by his parents, Jesse and Blanche Evelyn (Rouse) Clark and a brother, Ronald Clark. The Clark family are former residents of Desdemona where the parents and their three children attended school.

Lee Pettigrew, 75, of Desdemona passed away and was buried on Saturday, May 21 in the cemetery near Junction, Texas. Survivors include his wife, Sue Pettigrew of Desdemona, his children, grandchildren and families. Our sincere sympathy goes out to these family who have lost their loved ones. Remember them with your cards and

Larry and Gay Moore enjoyed the past weekend visiting with friends in the San

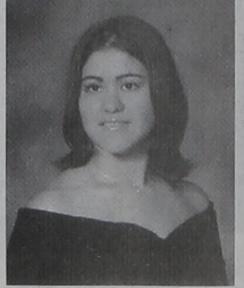
Antonio area.

Bro. Jess McCabe of the Lingleville area was voted to serve as pastor of the First Baptist Church in Desdemona. This family will be moving into the parsonage soon as possible. Make plans to meet this pastor, wife and their children.

Have a nice day, Coon.

# Congratulations Graduates!!

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### Martha Maria Cruz

Martha is the daughter of Aureliano and Maria de Jesus Cruz. She was born on January 27, 1987 in Huejuquilla el Alto, Jalisco, Mexico. In August 1995, Maria transferred to the Gorman School from Colegio Diaz Lopez.

Martha plans on attending San Antonio College and major in accounting or banking.

Honors and activities include NHS, NAHS, UIL, FBLA Historian, Class Historian.

Hobbies include dancing and listening to music.

Favorite food is 'my Mom's Mexican food.'

Favorite music is Cumbias Colombianas, Rancheras, and

Laura is the daughter of Ma's home cooking. Pravedia and Paulina Raygoza. She Huejuquilla, Jalisco, Mexico. She mostly). entered the Gorman Schools in -1995 through 2002 and 2004-2005.

someday have kids.

listening to music.



### Patricia Gutierrez

Patricia is the daughter of Reynaldo and Adriana Gutierrez. She was born on August 4, 1985 in Acuna, Mexico. She transferred to the Gorman Schools in August of 2002 from Comanche High School.

Patricia plans to go to college to study and to be a Spanish teacher.

Hobbies include reading, listendancing, and shopping.

Favorite foods are pizza and ter/Basketball. Mexican food.

### Laura Cecilia Raygoza

Laura plans on attending Ranger College, work, get married, and

Honors and activities include food.' U.I.L., NAHS, FBLA.



### **Bradley Scott Lewis**

Bradley is the son of Brad and Carol Lewis. He was born on September 27, 1986 in DeLeon, Texas. He started kindergarten in Gorman

Bradley plans to go to Cisco Jr. College for two years and then transfer to Tarleton State University and become a coach.

Honors and activities include Honors and activities include FBLA President, FCCLA Sgt. of Arms, Basketball - 4 years, Baseball - 2 years, Tennis - 1 year, Class Favorite, Wittiest, Most School Spiring to music, talking on the phone, ited, 2nd Team All-District Catcher/ Baseball, 2nd Team All-District Cen-

Hobbies include playing Favorite music is Spanish mu- Nintendo, watching T.V., spending time with his girl friend and friends.

Favorite food is microwaveable corn dogs, Hilda's Mexican food, G-

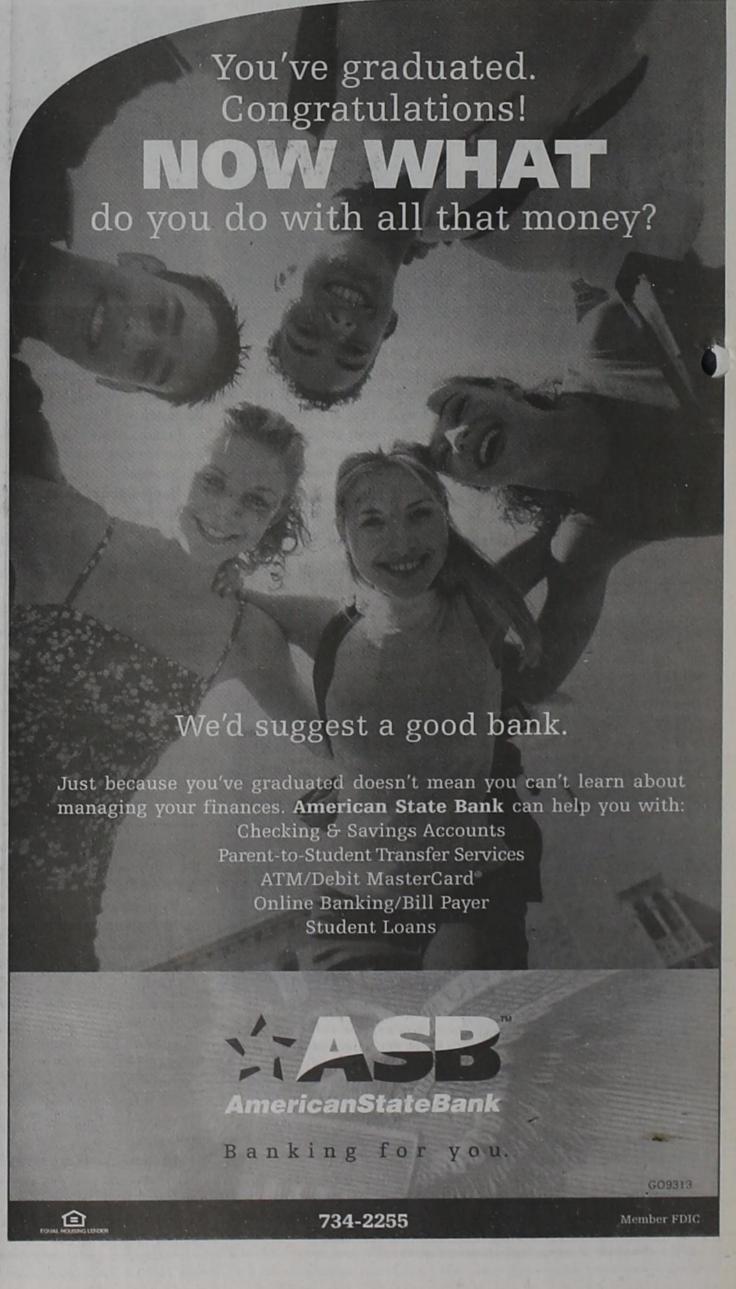
Favorite music is Hip-Hop, Alterwas born on May 27th in native, Reggae, Jamacian, (Snow

Favorite food is 'my Mami's

Favorite music is Raggaeton,

Hobbies include dancing and Bachata, Cumbias Colombianas, Rancheras.

## "Congratulations Seniors 2005"



Cisco Junior College will be holding tryouts for the Lady Wranglers soccer team on Sunday, June 5 at 3:00 p.m. The tryouts will be held at Cisco Junior College in Cisco, Texas and are for students entering college this

The CJC women's soccer program is nationally ranked and has a strong winning tradition. The Lady Wranglers were the NJCAA Division I Region V Soccer Champions for six consecutive years. In 2004, two members of the team were named to All-American Teams, and several other CJC soccer players have been named to the All-Conference Team.

For more information about tryouts, contact Coach Scott Toups at (254) 442-5175 or stoups@cisco.cc.tx.us Please leave name, high school, phone number and position.

### Jury Gives Cisco Man Life in Prison

On May 17, 2005, An Eastland County jury of twelve citizens convicted Buford "Buff" Whitehead, 46, of Cisco, of bail jumping and failure to appear after deliberating over the evidence less than five minutes. After hearing punishment evidence for approximately one hour, the jury assessed Whitehead's punishment at confinement in a state penitentiary for life.

Whitehead had been ordered to appear in the 91st Judicial District Court on October 20, 2003 for sentencing in a drug case but failed to appear. He was later indicted by an Eastland County Grand Jury for bail jumping and failure to appear.

During the trial of the failure to appear case, family members testified that Whitehead had told them that on the day he was to appear in court, he had hidden and spent the night in a wooded area in Cisco until the next morning when decided he was ready to give up. Whitehead was apprehended at a Cisco residence by a Deputy for the Eastland County Sheriff's Office later that day.

convicted and sentenced to the penitentiary over a period of several years for the following: aggravated assault with a pistol where the victim was a police officer; aggravated assault causing bodily injury with a pistol to another police officer - a female; aggravated kidnapping where the indictment described that Whitecurrently serving a 15-year prison sentence for possession of methamphetamine. During closing arguments for punishment, the prosecutor argued that the evidence demonstrated that Whitehead had a history of violent behavior against police officers and women.

tant Criminal District Attorney Brenda Gray prosecuted the case with the Honorable Steven R. Herod of the added to. 91st Judicial District Court presiding.

community and attentiveness during the trial. Thomason further stated, "This jury obviously meant to send a very strong message - that Eastland County citizens will not tolerate those who continue to engage in criminal activity and behavior."

### Marihuana Possession Nets Many 11 Years in the Pen

Jose Maria Pena, Jr., 39, formerly of Ft. Worth, was sentenced to 11 years in the Texas Department of Criminal Justice - Institutional Division on May 11, 2005, after entering a plea of guilty to the offense of Possession of Marihuana, 50 pounds or more but less than 2,000 pounds.

On February 9, 2005 at approximately 11:30 p.m., a Department of Public Safety State Trooper was on routine patrol on Interstate 20 and stopped Pena for speeding. After a roadside interview and obtaining consent to search the vehicle, the State Trooper found a cardboard box containing eleven bundles of marihuana. Pena was subsequently arrested and taken to the Eastland County Jail.

## Do You Remember Gorman When?

Photo Courtesy of Justin Snider



## ENTERTAINING IDEAS

Celebrity Chef Lulu Powers Shares Her Secrets for a Star-Spangled Bash

(NAPSA)-The young and young at heart have enjoyed Red Vines red licorice as a sweet snack for more than 90 years. This confectionary icon is not only a convenient and portable treat, it's fat free and comes in a variety of flavors and sizes to

satisfy any snack attack. To add a festive spin to this chewy treat, Lulu Powers, chef and party planner to the stars, including Leonardo DiCaprio, Will Smith and Madonna, offers a unique way to sweeten up a Fourth of July party or other patriotic occasion with her Red Vines, White and Blue Cookies. This easy recipe features a deliciously creamy cookie made with cream cheese, maple syrup and chopped white chocolate. Each cookie is topped with chewy red licorice twists and fresh blueberries to form mini fireworks of

In addition to this star-spangled treat, Powers offers these tips for a spectacular Independence Day bash:

• Summer is a great time to take advantage of the outdoors, so move your party out by the pool, down by the beach or to a local park. The open space may entice the guests to linger

• Purchase a large piece of red, white and/or blue fabric at a fabric store to use as a table covering or picnic blanket. Purchase blue or white paper dinner napkins and wrap silverware in them. Instead of a napkin ring, tie a red licorice twist around the napkin. Put an American flag toothpick (available at most party stores) through the twist to hold the knot in place.

 Stir up a pitcher of lemonade cubes by chopping red licorice vines.com.



Spark interest in your patriotic party with these red white and blue firework cookies.

twists and mint in ice cube trays. Add either water or simple syrup (sugar water) and freeze. Place in lemonade drinks or float in Blue

· Make red licorice marshmallow pops by inserting a popsicle stick into a large marshmallow.

Dip into melted chocolate and roll in chopped red licorice twists. Let pops dry by resting them in an empty egg carton.

· For a night-time party, fill a vase three-quarters full with sand. Add shells inside the vase, so that they are visible on the outside. Place candles in the vase.

· Roll down lunch-size paper bags and fill with nuts, dried fruit, popcorn and red licorice. Separate each ingredient into its own bag and cluster bags together on a table or counter. Supply white Chinese take-out containers so that guests can customize their own trail mix. Kids can decorate their boxes with markers and stickers.

For more information and with red licorice and mint ice delicious recipes, visit www.red RED VINES® WHITE AND **BLUE COOKIES** Recipe by Celebrity Chef Lulu Powers

Ingredients 2 sticks butter 3 ounces of cream cheese ½ cup sugar 4 cup maple syrup 1 teaspoon vanilla 2 cups flour 2 cups white chocolate,

chopped Additional sugar for coating Red Vines® Original Red Twists, chopped 1 cup fresh blueberries

Directions: Preheat oven to 350°F.

In a large bowl, cream together butter, cream cheese, sugar and maple syrup. Add

chocolate and mix well. Roll dough into 1/2 tablespoon balls, and then roll each ball in sugar and place directly on cookie sheet. Use a silicon pad or spray a cooking sheet with vegetable

shortening. Press a slight thumb print into the center of the dough ball so that you can add the blueberries after baking. Place the chopped Red Vines on top of dough balls surrounding the thumb print to form a burst formation. Dough balls may flatten out a little. Red Vines can most easily be cut by holding four or five pieces together and cutting as

one would cut green onions. Bake 12-15 minutes. Place a blueberry in the center of each cookie, while the cookie is still warm, to complete the firework design.

THE GORMAN PROGRESS

## City Minutes - Unapproved

MAY 25, 2005

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May 5, 2005

The Gorman City Commission met on the above date. Those present were Mayor Robert Ervin, Mayor Pro Tem Nathan Files, Commissioners Durward Webb, Charlie Torrez, and Joe Casey. Others present were Lori Dodd, Charley and Natalie Boswell.

Mayor Ervin called the meeting to order after the opening prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance and the Texas Pledge @ 5:30 p.m.

Nathan made the motion to approve the minutes as read with a second from Durward. Motion carried 4-0.

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

No Citizens were present for the Citizens In Put.

Reports were submitted by each department head. Lori Dodd was present to report the EDC information to

No action was taken on the New and Old Business.

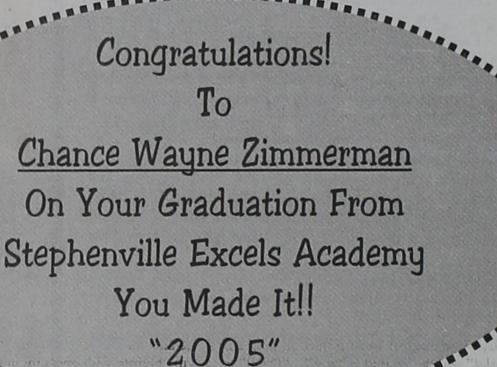
Charlie and Natalie Boswell were present with her application for the pool operator position. Natalie is currently certified in CPR and First Aid. She has enrolled in class for her Lifeguard certification. Natalie is employed by the Dublin Independent School District as a coach and teacher. She expressed her interest in having a summer job. After looking over her application and visiting with her Nathan made the motion to retain Mrs. Boswell as the pool operator for the summer of 2005. Joe made a second and the motion carried 4-After the jury returned the guilty verdict, the jury heard evidence that Whitehead had previously been 0. Upon completion of the lifeguard training she will supply a copy of her certification to the City Office. Tacy will draw up the contract between Mrs. Boswell and the City clarifying all details.

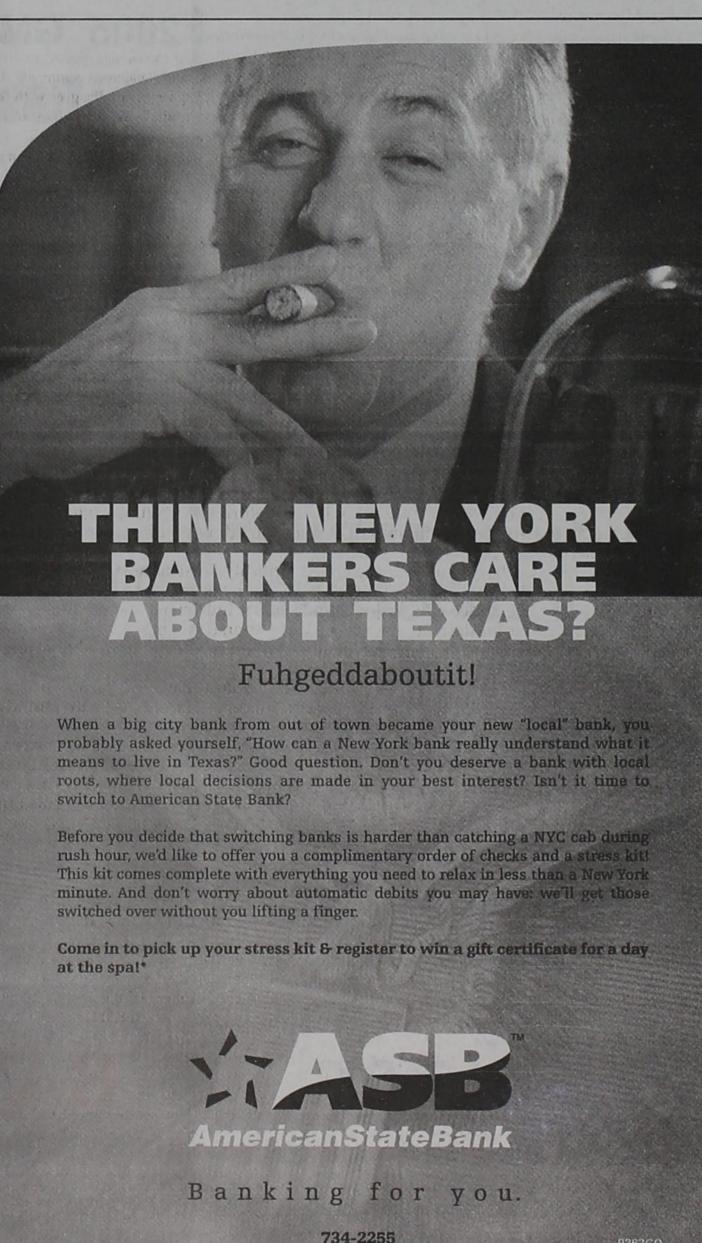
Durward made the motion to deny the request by Atmos Energy to authorize the compliance tariffs for the head had terrorized the female victim with a knife. In addition, the jury heard evidence that Whitehead was annual gas reliability infrastructure program rate adjustment in the municipality. This action is acted on by form of Ordinance #2005-03. Nathan made a second to the motion, motion carried 4-0. This action serves as the first reading. Second reading and adoption will be at the next Regualr meeting May 19, 2005.

Amendments will be made to Ordinance #2003-04. Tacy will note the changes the commission wants. Joe Defense Attorney John Saringer of Eastland represented Whitehead and has filed a notice of appeal. Assis- will carry a copy of the existing ordinance to Woodley and Dudley @ Comanche for the amendments to be

The budget figures are being worked on. Possibly may have to have a Called meeting to adopt the budget by Criminal District Attorney Russ Thomason and Assistant Gray thanked the jury for their service to the June 1. More details and information at the next Regular meeting. A called meeting will be ordered for the canvass of the election. Canvass must be held during the period of May 15 – 18th. An agenda will be posted.

> There being no further business for discussion Joe made the motion to adjourn with a second from Nathan. Motion carried 4-0, time 6:35 p.m.





115 South Fisher

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Wednesday morning a group of

Visiting were Billie Lightfoot of

On Wednesday afternoon Judy

Recent guests were Dr. Michael

and Marsha Whitehorn of Abilene,

Bass was enjoyed by several guests

on Thursday. They enjoyed cook-

Browning, Woodrow and Helen

Four residents will be honored at

the May Birthday party for residents

on Thursday, May 26th. There will

vited to come and enjoy the party.

Durward Webb, and Freddie Rodg-

ers of Desdemona.

residents.

Visiting were Steve Estes of

ies, snacks and cold drinks.

DeLeon, Daisy Slaton and Elizabeth

Killebrew, Jason Killebrew, Billie

Marble and Ina Smith had 'Crazy

Bingo' for several residents.

residents enjoyed a movie.

Vaughn of Eastland.

tes of DeLeon.

DeLeon.

### **Heritage Manor News**

By Nancy Hendricks

### Memorial Day, May 30th

Memorial Day was observed on May 30, 1868, when flowers were placed on the graves of Union and Confederate soldiers at Arlington National Cemetery in VA. The first state to officially recognize the holiday was New York in 1873. By 1890, it was recognized by all the Northern states. The South refused to acknowledge the day, honoring their dead on separate days until after World War I (when the holiday change from honoring just those who died fighting in the Civil War to honoring Americans who died fighting in any war). It is not celebrated in almost every state on the last Monday in May (passed by Congress with the National Holiday Act of 1971, P.L. 90-363, to ensure a three-day weekend for federal holidays), though several Southern states have an additional separate day for honoring the Confederate war dead: January 19 in Texas, April 26 in Alabama, Florida, Georgia, and Mississippi; May 10 in South Carolina; and June 3 (Jefferson Davis' birthday) in Louisiana and Tennessee.

To remind Americans of the true meaning of Memorial Day, the National Moment of Remembrance resolution was passed in December, 2000 and asks that all Americans at 3 p.m. local time "To voluntarily and informally observe in their own way a moment of remembrance and respect, pausing from whatever they are doing for a moment of silence or listening to Taps.'

Some guests were Bobby Ingram Jr., Bill Mill, Maudie Husband, Bobby and Peggy Ingram of Cisco, Diana Snider, Larry and DeLinda Snider.

On Sunday morning those coming from the First Baptist Church for Sunday School were James, Ellen and Rachel Tucker, Nelda Mauney and Frances Warren. James taught the lesson, "Avoid Sin's Consequences." Life question, "Why should I be concerned about sin and its consequences?" Bible passages Genesis 19:12-29. Key verse Genesis 19:16. Nelda read Psalms 23. There were 19 residents and guests Howard and Pat Hagood. A resident voiced the closing prayer.

Some guests were Dalton and Joy Watson of Ranger, Benny Watson Judy Killebrew, Jason Killebrew of Coleman, Clyde and DeSha Johnson of Stephenville, Roy and Charlotte Johnson of Desdemona, Paul and Pat Johnson of Lubbock.

Some visitors were Kennard and Doylena Roberts of Gustine, Winston Brown, Bo and Anna Lee Roberts, Rodney and Vicki Roberts of Stephenville, Dorothy Roberts of Desdemona, Kendra Roberts, Levi Roberts, Shannon and Trinity Roberts and Shaylor Roberts.

On Sunday afternoon those coming from the Church of Christ were Bro. Larry Stogsdill, Nathan Files and Don Underwood. Bro. Larry's message, "Adding to Our Faith." Second Peter 1:5-9. Don led the singing and Nathan gave the closing prayer.

Recent visitors were Beverly Maxwell of Cleburne, Bobby and Mary Jane Little of Eastland, Jimmy and Verna Lee Little, Nell Files of Carbon, Zelda Jordan and Johnnie B. Griffith of Lake Leon.

On Monday morning residents enjoyed a moviel

Some guests were Cecil and Rena Mae Robertson of Brownwood, Mozelle Boucher of Stephenville, Billie Marble, Frances Warren, Mary Jeffs, Donnie and Nelda Mauney, Howard and Pat Hagood, Linda Gibbs, Becky Moore, Emily Green, Monica Moore of DeLeon.

On Monday morning Ina Smith had "Table Talk" for several residents.

Recent guests were Don Landers of Springtown, Marjorie Treadway, Ernestine Campbell, Joey Beaty of Dallas, Jonell Torrez, Juanita Spence and Jean Pryer of Little Elm.

Monday afternoon Gospel Singers coming were Elizabeth Vaughn, Johnnie B. Griffith, Ruby Lee Kinser, billy Joe Dennis, Winelle Browning, Daisy Slaton, Zelda Jordan, Ann Warren, Marjorie Treadway, Ernestine Campbell, and Nancy Hendricks. Ruby Lee and Billy Joe brought the specials. There were seventeen residents attending. Billy Joe gave the dismissal prayer.

Some visitors were Max and Janice Grice of Stephenville, Irene West, Ann Warren, James and Ruby Lee Kinser, Billy Joe Dennis, Bonnie Croft of Lake Leon.

On Monday residents sure were happy to have Karen Guthery come for hair styling.

Recent guests were Thomas and Vicki Seay, James, Ellen, and Rachel Tucker, Billy Earl Simpson, Larry Stogsdill, Don Underwood and Nathan Files.

On Tuesday morning Pat Graham, Billie Marble, Jason Killebrew, Judy Killebrew and Ina Smith had bingo for eleven residents.

Recent visitors were Kenneth Murdock of Rising Star, Jewel Dean Morris and Bonnie D. Stewart of DeLeon, Pam Childers, Annie Fay Fos-

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

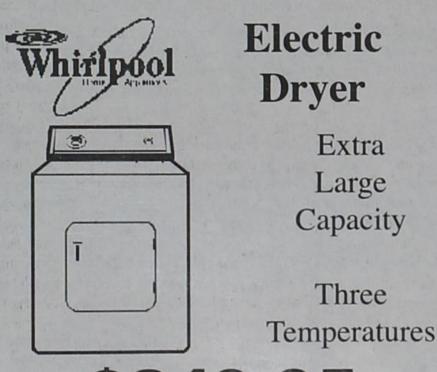
Some guests were Larry and Colene Barnett of Wylie, Emmit and Kay Lynn Lasater and Connie Cate of Eastland, Judy Killebrew and Jason Killebrew, and Pat Graham.

Wednesday morning Bro. Larry Stogsdill of the Church of Christ came and had chapel. The devotional was "Judging Others." Bible passage Matthew Chapter 7. There were 12 residents present.

Some visitors were Kay Ann Craddock, Mary Margaret Hudson and Estelle Craddock, June Carruth and Susan Carruth of DeLeon.

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## KOKOMO NEWS

By Zelda Jordan

Regardless of what the calendar says, summertime has arrived with the hot temperatures that we've had the past few days. But let us pray that the weatherman is right in predicting rain and cooler weather towards the last of this week.

Bro. Jim Tilley of Ranger preached at the Sunday morning service at the Kokomo Baptist Church. The pastor, Bro. Clarence Wilson had a bad nose bleed early Sunday morning and was unable to attend the service. We pray that he is doing well now.

Other visitors at the Sunday morning service at the Kokomo Baptist Church were Frank and Beth Shirley, Thomas and Vicky Seay, Amanda Johnson, Ben and Brylee all of Gorman and Scott and Matt Collum of Huckabay, Kay Snider, Aletha Burgess, Norma Webb, Helen Browning, Oren Webb, Jimmy Little, Thomas Seay and Woodrow Browning with Daryl Hirst at the piano, rendered the special music.

Visiting with Woodrow and Helen Browning last week were cousins, Dennis and Barbara Rogers of Tyler.

James and Mary Jesse of Ft. Worth, Scott and Matt Collum of Huckabay visited during the weekend with their grand-Marie Cook of Carbon, Sylvia Esparents, Gene and Kay Snider.

Sylvia Buchanan and Nancy Hendricks visited in Eastland with Phyllis Wright and "Caring Hearts" with Shawnah Willie Mae Cozart.

> Lavell Hallmark of San Angelo visited on Tuesday with her sister and brother-inlaw, Verna Lee and Jimmy Little.

Jimmy and Verna Lee Little met Melissa Little of Eastland and Emily Little and Kourtney Peacock of Abilene for lunch in Eastland on Friday.

Some visitors were Winelle Zelda Jordan spent Friday night and Saturday in Abilene with Wade, Sheri, Ryan, Browning, Louise Smart, Jerry and Kody and Emily Daniell and attended Ryan and Kody's baseball games on Friday Virginia Skaggs, and Jim Bruton of evening and Saturday afternoon. Ryan and Kody play on the Wylie Bulldog Farm League Team and their team won both games. It was amazing how well all the 6, 7 and

> 8 year old boys could play. SYDNIE BOND CELEBRATES FIRST BIRTHDAY

Joe and Glynda Bond spent Saturday night and Sunday with their son and family, be refreshments. Everyone is in-Shannon, Stephanie, Raegan and Sydnie Bond in Copperas Cove and attended church with them on Sunday at the First Baptist Church.

They all attended the birthday celebration honoring Sydnie Bond who was one Sanger, Bobby Owens of Ranger, year old on May 18 and her cousin, Kaylan Kirkpatrick who was seven years old on May 23, in the home of Stephanie's sister, Angie and Rick Kirkpatrick. Hot dogs with all the trimmings and birthday cake was served. The girls had a great time opening On Friday morning, Pat Graham, their gifts.

Others attending were Sydnie and Kaylan's grandparents, Don and Gayle Lakin and and Ina Smith had bingo for eight Great-grandmother, Caryl Anderson and Kaylan's grandmother, Etta Kay Kirkpatrick, and many other family members.



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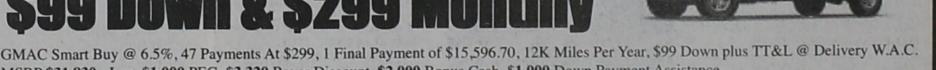




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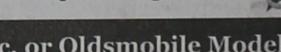
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