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

### Gorman Junior High Promotion Set Thursday

Thursday, May 24, 2007

7:30 p.m.

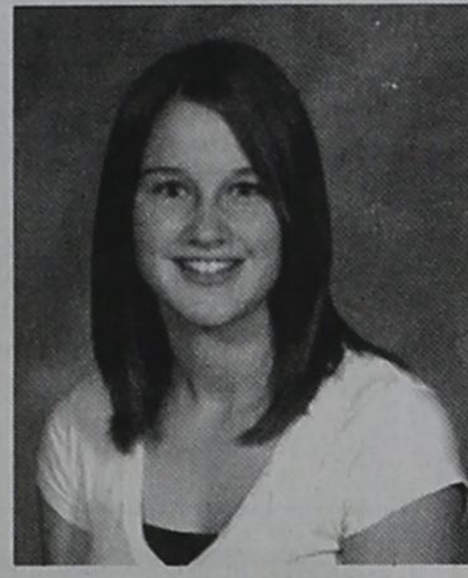
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Class History  
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Presentation of Certificates

Class  
Stephanie Riseuno  
Jaime Johnston  
Stephen Singleton  
Abigail Pacheco  
David Perry, Superintendent  
Rick Panter, Principal  
Brice Campbell  
Class

Benediction  
Recessional

Abigail Pacheco  
Valedictory

Jaime Johnston  
Salutatory



**K'ann Howard**  
Valedictorian

K'ann Howard, daughter of John and Charlotte Howard. She was born December 24, 1988 in Wichita Falls, TX. She entered Gorman Schools in Fourth Grade transferring from Temple Christian Center.

K'ann plans on attending Tarleton State University to pursue either Nursing or Music.

K'ann participated in National Honor Society, One Act Play, Band, PALS, Solo Ensemble (Vocal), TMEA (Vocal), ATSSB, UIL Poetry, UIL Editorial Writing, UIL Ready-Writing, UIL Spelling, and UIL Informative Speaking.

Her hobbies are singing, reading, playing piano and flute, traveling, going to church and spending time with family.

Her favorite foods are Chinese food and chicken and dumplings. Her favorite music is Gospel and Classical.



**Kristy Carlton**  
Salutatorian

Kristy Carlton, daughter of Jerry and Denise Carlton. She was born May 8, 1989 in De Leon, TX. She entered Gorman Schools in 1995.

Kristy plans on attending Weatherford College.

Kristy participated in Softball - First Team All-District - 2 years; Honorable Mention Softball - 1 year; Honorable Mention Volleyball - 2 years; First Team All District Volleyball - 1 year; Honorable Mention Basketball - 2 years; 100 Hours Community Service - 2 years; President's Award for Excellence; Miss GHS.

Her hobbies are playing baseball with my brother and hanging out with my friend.

Her favorite food is Mexican. Her favorite music is Rock and Texas Country.

### Commencement

Friday, May 25, 2007

7:30 p.m.

Processional  
Invocation

Senior Class  
Barry Schahn, Minister  
First Baptist Church

Salutatory

Kristy Carlton

Parent Recognition

Senior Class

Valedictory

K'ann Howard

Presentation of Diplomas

David Perry, Superintendent  
Rick Panter, Principal  
Bobby Rich, Board President

Benediction

Tracy Spivey

Recessional

Senior Class

### GHS All Awards Banquet



#### MVP-BOYS

Football: David Ibarra and Reji Sanchez  
Basketball: Tyson Swanner and Zack Fox  
Baseball: Matt Underwood  
Powerlifting: Pete Ramirez  
Tennis: Brandon Greer and Carlos Gutierrez  
Track: Zack Fox



#### MVP- GIRLS

Volleyball: Audrey Johnston  
Basketball: Audrey Johnston  
Softball: Kristy Carlton and Brandy Carlton  
Powerlifting: Rosa Herrera  
Track: Megan Lewis and Brandy Carlton  
Cross Country: Crystal Thackerson

### Eastland Co. Chapter Of TFU Presents Two Scholarships



Kristy Carlton - Kaycie Sorrells and Dennis Clower

The Eastland County Chapter of District IV Division of Texas Farmers Union is glad to announce two recipients of the Texas Farmers Union Scholarship Fund according to Dennis Clower, District IV State Director of TFU.

Texas Farmers Union is a grassroots farm organization which was organized in 1904 for the purpose of promoting and preserving the Family Farm and Ranch in the United States. TFU is a part of the National Farmers Union which encompasses some 38 states. The organization is made up mostly of Agricultural Producers across the country and has been tirelessly working for favorable legislation for agricultural producers both nationally and on state-wide levels. TFU seeks to achieve its goal in three basic areas: legislation, education, and co-operation.

A part of the education effort is to provide college scholarships to outstanding and deserving high school seniors. Texas Farmers Union has selected KAYCIE ELAINE SORRELLS of Ranger High School and KRISTY DALYNN CARLTON of Gorman High School for two of these college scholarships. Mr. Clower states that both these young women have proven to be outstanding in their schools and have contributed greatly to the betterment of each of their classes, excelling not only in leadership qualities, but also in sports and academic excellence.

### Gorman Panther Sunglasses

The Band Boosters are taking orders for Gorman Panther Sunglasses. These are Oakley type sunglasses in blue and red metallic with Panthers on one temple and a panther on the other temple. The price for these glasses if preordered and prepaid is \$10. To order these glasses, please call 734-2849 or 734-6894.

We will be ordering extra glasses. If you wait to purchase the glasses when they arrive, the price will be \$12.50 per pair.

### 2007 Gorman Panther Baseball Camp

June 4 thru 7 - Monday thru Thursday at Gorman High School Baseball Parks from 9 a.m. to 12 noon. Cost of the camp is \$30.00 per student.

Camp will cover all phases of baseball with individual instruction. We will also have skills and competitions in each age group. Awards given out 11:00 to 12:00 Thursday (parents be there).

Camp is for kids 6 years old to the this year's 8th Grade Boys. Registration is from 8 to 9 a.m.

at Gorman High School Baseball Field on Monday, June 4th. Camp open to all area baseball players.

### Tour of the Peanut Country Bike Ride June 9

The eighth annual Tour of the Peanut Country Bike Ride will be Saturday June 9. The ride, sponsored by the Gorman Lions Club and Gorman Volunteer Fire Dept., will start from the City Park promptly at 8 AM with no starters any later than 9 AM. There are four distances to choose from: 9 mile, 29 mile, 45 mile or 100K. These courses will all have several rest stops with water, Gatorade, fruit, cookies and peanuts to replenish the riders. There will also be Sag Wagons available should anyone have any mechanical trouble or need medical assistance.

Anyone interested in registering may do so by phone at 254-734-3810. Registration will open on tour day at 7:30 am, at the Start/Finish at City Park. Entry fees are as follows: \$22 for individuals, tandems--\$20, Families of 4 or more--\$20, Clubs (4 or more members)--\$20. First 50 riders receive a Tour of the Peanut Country t-shirt and a goodie bag. For more information call 254-734-3810 or 734-3637. All proceeds from this ride benefit the Gorman VFD and the Gorman Lions Club for local projects and scholarships.

### Band Booster Club BBQ Fundraiser

Friday, May 25th, the Band Booster Club will be selling BBQ. BBQ Sandwich, Chips and a drink for \$5. BBQ is also available by the pound. 323 S. Fisher Street (Corkey Brown's House). For deliveries call 734-6894 or 254-485-4744.

### District Tennis Results

The 2007 Gorman tennis teams competed well at district this year. On JV, Ben Burgess and Tyler Johnson played doubles and placed third in their division. Zack Fox partnered with Reba Granado in mixed doubles and took first place. Tecia Jones competed as a single and was defeated in a grueling match for consolation. Brandy Carlton and Nicole Cogburn competed together along with Crystal Thackerson and Mary Powell who easily claimed first place in girls doubles.

Varsity competitors for singles were Colby Spivey, Peter Ramirez, and Val Longoria. Doubles teams were Rosa Herrera/Megan Lewis, Tyson Swanner/Angie Silva, David Ibarra/Audrey Johnston, and Brandon Greer/Carlos Gutierrez. Ibarra/Johnston finished fourth in the mixed doubles division while Greer/Gutierrez fought hard to receive third place medals.

### Just A Little Note

As you already know we could not make it on the last date, due to the rains and bad roads.

We are thankful for the rains and yet we need to take care of the Cemetery Business also.

We are going to get together on May 26 at the Cemetery. The same time and place as always if we don't have bad roads again. If we do we will still meet, but at the Gorman Hotel, as we were invited to do so.

This meeting will be at the same time as always.

Thank You Gorman, that will certainly make the business end of it easier to take care of.

We certainly need everyone to be there.

Thanks to all of you.  
Opal Burton, Secretary

### Notice Of Public Hearing At Eastland Co. Tuesday

The Eastland County Commissioner's Court will conduct a public hearing at its regularly scheduled meeting to consider and act on an application by BP Wind Energy North America Inc. to designate certain property located in Eastland County as a Reinvestment Zone eligible for property tax abatement under Chapter 312 of the Texas Tax Code. The property is located approximately 80 miles southwest of Dallas in Eastland and Erath Counties and is intended for use as a wind farm by BP Wind Energy North America Inc. In determining whether to designate the Reinvestment Zone, the Commissioner's Court will consider whether such designation would contribute to the retention OT expansion of primary employment or would attract major investment in the Zone that would benefit the land to be include in the Zone and would contribute to the economic development of the County. The Public Hearing will take place at 9 a.m. on May 29th at the Commissioner's Courtroom of the Eastland County Courthouse in Eastland, Texas. All interested persons may appear and present testimony and evidence regarding designation of the Reinvestment zone.



Bill Clark Fighting Panther award went to Reji Sanchez  
Todd Anderson Fighting Heart award went to Kristy Carlton



# Obituaries

## Bob Gibson

Bob Gibson, age 77 passed away May 19, 2007 in a Comanche Nursing Home.

Services were Monday, May 21 at the graveside in Gorman Cemetery with Mr. Larry Stogsdill officiating.

He was born September 28, 1929 in Gorman. He married Keitha Clifton in 1980. She preceded him in death. He was a member of the Church of Christ.

He is survived by: daughter, Paula Horton of Comanche; brother Billy Ray Gibson of Desota; grandsons, Scott and Kevin Lewis of Gorman; granddaughter, Megan Lewis of Gorman; great granddaughter, Kampyn Lewis of Gorman.

He was preceded in death by his parents Wilbure and Pauline Gibson.

## Jewel Snider

Jewel Snider, age 99 passed away Friday, May 18, 2007 at a nursing home in Cisco.

Services were at 2:00 p.m. Sunday at the Higginbotham Funeral Home Chapel with Denver Rainey officiating. Burial was in Oaklawn Cemetery.

Mr. Snider was born July 24, 1907 in Comanche County to Newt and Nancy Madkins Snider. He married Maggie Estelle Hamilton on November 20, 1926 in Comanche County. He was a veteran of World War II serving in the U. S. Army. He was a retired meat cutter and a member of the United Pentecostal Church.

Survivors include: two sons, Kenneth Snider of Rose Bud, AR and Larry Don Snider of Gorman; two daughters, Maudie Moll and Peggy Ingram both of Cisco; Seventeen grandchildren, ten great grandchildren and eight great great grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his wife, Maggie, one son, Thomas and three daughters, Marie Smith, Treva Green and Diana Jean Snider.

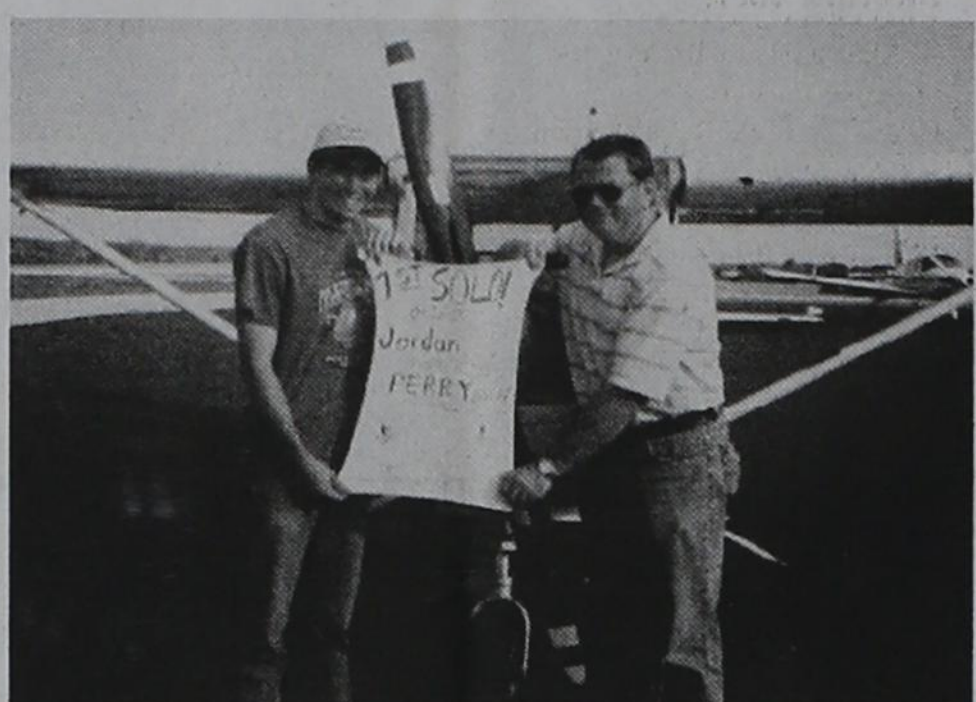
# Heritage Manor of Gorman

On May 16, 2007 the staff and residents had occasion to be thankful! Pastor Michael Tummillo, the Work Place Chaplin for Pyramid Healthcare was able to come and perform a Consecration ceremony for our Chapel on our Hospice Hall. Many staff members were able to attend this function.

At the end of the ceremony, Pastor Michael presented the facility with a framed prayer he had written for the purpose of adorning our Chapel, reminding all who entered about the blessings bestowed on this new addition to the facility and community.

With the graduation ceremony for the class of Certified Nursing Assistants held in April (for the 100% passing and certification rate), the Grand Opening of the Hospice Hall ceremony the first week of this month, the Blessing of our Chapel, and the cook-out to honor Nursing Home Week held May 17th the staff, residents, residents' family members, and members of the community have had much cause to celebrate. These events and additions to Heritage Manor have been for the benefit of the community, family members, residents, and staff.

Heritage Manor wishes to once again thank all who have assisted in these endeavors, and those who help make our facility truly a home.



**JORDAN PERRY SOLOS** - Jordan flew alone and unassisted for the first time on Saturday, April 28th from Stephenville Airport. A little over a month past his 16th birthday.

## James Braden Coleman

James Braden Coleman, age 83 of De Leon passed away Thursday, May 17, 2007 at Plaza Medical Center in Fort Worth.

Graveside services were held Monday, May 21st at 2:00 p.m. at De Leon Cemetery with Jackie Auvenshine officiating.

James was born July 12, 1923 in Corsicana, Tx to the late James Elsworth Coleman and Nettie Speer Coleman.

He was a truck driver; oil field pumper; lived in De Leon most all of his life. He was a Baptist.

James is survived by one son, Halsey Elsworth Coleman of Weatherford; daughter, Jimmie Evelyn Alvarado of Adkins, Tx; wife of 36 years and caretaker for 18 years, Evelyn Coleman of De Leon; niece Sharon Thiberdeau of Jefferson; 6 grandchildren; 4 great grandchildren and numerous other step-great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents, two sisters, Gloria Clayton and Juanita Coleman.

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# EDC Talk

Many of you have heard by now that I am leaving the Gorman EDC. I wanted to say thank you to all of you who have been so encouraging and supportive of this department since I began in 1999.

Our community has seen many successes in the past 8 years. We have received nearly \$1.5 million in grants from various state agencies and organizations, and this is not even including what the school and fire dept have received. We are a very fortunate community. Very few towns our size have the luxury of high-speed wireless telecommunications throughout their school, town and out-lying areas. And the school and Eastland County Emergency program continue to work with the city to provide upgraded services in all areas to its residents.

We have also won several awards that each of us as resident of Gorman can be proud of. We won the 2005 Community Achievement award from the Texas Midwest Community Network and was recognized as the Poster Community by the West Central Texas Workforce Development Board for our Community Visioning process and progress from 2005 and 2006 and received a \$5000 award for a local community improvement project.

Although we have seen the losses of some of our valuable employers and business, we are still bringing in around \$20,000 in sales tax, and this is good. I would like to encourage everyone to shop locally for everything you can buy...and if its not here ASK FOR IT. Many of the business owners do not mind checking their suppliers to see if they can deliver your requested item, and often they can. This builds your city's sales tax income and makes dollars available for important projects.

# Gorman Church of Christ Revival

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June 3 - 6, 2007  
Sunday, June 3

Ray Young, Associate Minister and Youth Director,  
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10:00AM Bible Class "Is That Faith?"  
10:45 Sermon "Connected"  
6:00PM "You Call Me"  
Youth "What is That?"  
Monday, June 4

Bill Wiley, Retired Minister, Patrick St. Church of Christ, Dublin  
7:00PM "The Opening of the Book of Life", Revelation 20: 11-15  
Tuesday, June 5

Larry Roberts, Pulpit Minister, Daugherty St Church of Christ, Eastland  
7:00PM "This is My Beloved Son" Matthew  
Wednesday, June 6

David Harris, Minister, Hillcrest Church of Christ, Stephenville  
7:00PM "What Sin Will Do to You!"

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Desdemona, nice 3-2 mfg. home, 1549' LA (CAD), open floor plan, fireplace, beautiful fenced 1 acre, water well, stg. bldg., numerous fruit and pecan trees. \$82,500.  
NEW: 40 A m/l, south Gorman, pasture, fenced, small cabin, water well, small pond, elec., sandy soil, paved road. \$3,150 acre.  
NEW: 49.83 A. west Gorman, large oaks, paved road, building spots, county water/elec. available, fenced, ponds, barn/coral, great hunting, pretty place! \$2,900 Acre  
100 a west De Leon FM587, 3 - 1 1/2 - 2 brick. 1444 sq. ft., C/H/A, fireplace, carpeted, some remodeling, 3 ponds, 30a crop land, 35a coastal, some native, fenced, 2 steel corrals, 2 wells, shop building. Nice setup. Mineral Rights \$295,000.00  
160 A m/l east Gorman on FM2921: 65 a m/l coastal, 75 a m/l wooded, water well, pond, steel corral, indications show lots deer, turkey and hogs, mineral rights. ~~\$2,900.00~~ \$2,800.00 A.  
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- 52 A, w/2,854sf(CAD) 4-3 brick home, carport, 5 water wells, 3 stock tanks, corrals, barns [LP01] \$250,000
- 11 A, w/16'x70' mobile home, well, rural water, oak trees [R01] \$70,000
- 8.5 A, 1,800sf, 3-2 Metal Frame home, close to Proctor Lake, work shop, pipe & net wire fences, 2-water wells, underground sprinklers. [U02] \$265,000
- 3+ A, 1,780sf, 3-2 Mfg Home, rural water, 2-water wells, pecan trees, 660sf commercial bldg, highway frontage [HH01] \$89,500
- 236± A, 2 wells, 3 tanks, approx. 26 A in cultivation, costal, native pasture, rolling terrain, minerals available, hunting [DS02] \$2,195 Per Acre
- 380± A, 3 wells, 6 tanks, approx. 100 A crop land, remainder in costal bermuda & tifton 85, good fences & cross fences. minerals available [CWO1] \$950,000
- 250± A, 150 wooded, 100 coastal, on Coppereas Creek, lake, stock tanks, hunters cabin, 25hp pit pump, hwy. frontage, rural water [LB01] \$850,000
- 243 A, Comanche Co, one reservoir, 14 irrigation wells, irrigation pit, highway frontage, cultivation, costal, native pasture [R01] \$2,500 per acre
- 155± A, 3 water wells, 3 stock tanks, approx. 90 A cover, rest in native pasture [MC02] \$427,075
- 150 A, rolling terrain, approx. 90 acres wooded, 4 waterwells, irrigation pit, stock tank, excellent deer and turkey hunting. Minerals. [L001] \$442,500
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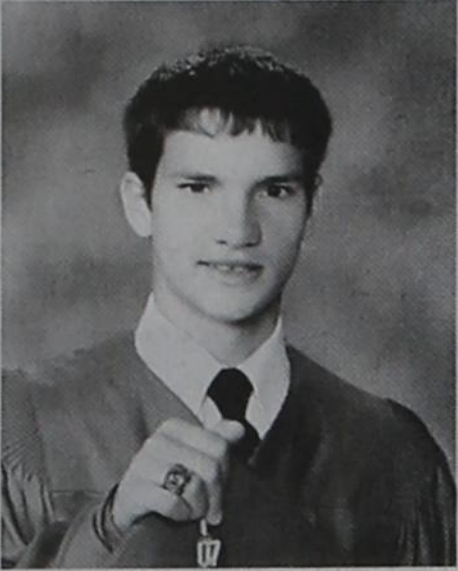
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# GHS Seniors



**Brian Greer**

Brian Greer, son of Eugene Greer. He was born June 11, 1988 in Corsicana, Texas. He entered Gorman Schools in 1998. His hobbies are hunting. His favorite food is everything. His favorite music Death Metal.



**Brittany Nicole Shirley**

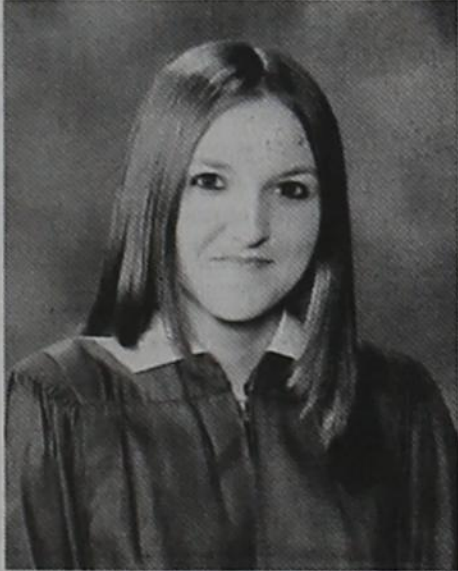
Brittany Nicole Shirley, daughter of Gary and Shirley Shirley and granddaughter of Frank and Beth Shirley and Neldon and Billie Shipman. She was born May 5, 1989 in Houston. She entered Gorman Schools in the First Grade.

Brittany plans on attending Tarleton State University where she will start with general studies until I decide what I want to major in.

Brittany participated in Cheerleading, Basketball, Volleyball, One Act Play, NHS, FCCLA, FBLA, Yearbook, Student Council Reporter/Secretary, Secretary of the De Leon Junior Bank Board, Football Sweetheart, Solo Ensemble, 2007 FCA All Star Participant, and Graduating with 15 college hours.

Her hobbies are enjoying hanging out with friends and family, putting together my scrapbook, singing and just enjoying life to the fullest.

Her favorite foods are Italian, Mexican and Chinese. Her favorite music is listening to all kinds of music, especially when driving in my car.



**Amanda Sylvia Regian**

Amanda Sylvia Regian, daughter of David and Becky Regian. She was born July 11, 1989 in Temple, TX. She entered Gorman Schools in 1995.

Amanda plans on attending Cisco Junior College and then transfer to Tarleton State University.

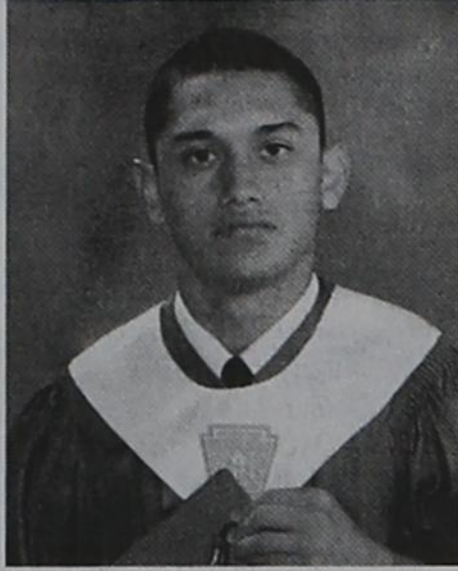
Amanda has participated in Softball - 2 years, Honorable Mention - Freshman year; Basketball - 1 year; UIL - Senior Year; NHS, Community Service Award.

Her hobbies are listening to music.

Her favorite food is Sherbert Ice Cream. Her favorite music is R & B and Rock.



**Ashley Dycus**



**Rejinaldo Sanchez**

Rejinaldo Sanchez, son of Reginaldo and Maria Sanchez. He was born February 10, 1988 in Ralls, Texas. He entered Gorman Schools in 1994.

Rejinaldo plans to college in Sweetwater for Diesel Technology. He participated in Football - 4 years; Track - 4 years; Basketball 2 years; Baseball - 2 years.

His hobbies are fishing, and hog hunting.

His favorite food is any Mexican food. His favorite is any Norteno.



**Crystal Dianna Thackerson**

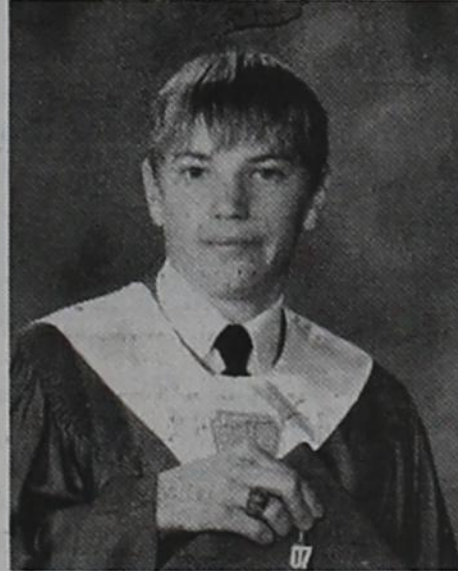
Crystal Diana Thackerson, daughter of Randy and Michelle Byrd and Tony and Jeanette Thackerson. She was born July 9, 1989 in De Leon, TX.

Crystal plans on attending Angelo State University on Band and Academic Scholarship and Major in Music Education.

Crystal participated in Track - Regional Qualifier - 3 years; Cross Country Regional Qualifier 1 year; Outstanding Percussion Award, Band MVP, All-Region Band, All-American Mascot, ASU CARR Scholarship - \$3,000; ASU Band Scholarship - \$1,200; John Phillip Sousa Music Award.

Her hobbies are running, playing tennis, learning new instruments and hanging out with my friends and family.

Her favorite foods are Italian and Chinese. Her favorite music is all types of Rock, Texas Country and Classical.



**Matthew Smith**

Matthew Smith, son of Chuck Smith and Becky Smith. He was born December 12, 1988 in De Leon, Tx. He entered Gorman Schools in 1994.

Matthew plans on attending Cisco Junior College then transfer to Tarleton State University with a major in Agri-Business.

Matthew participated in FFA as an officer, Judging Teams, Show Team, Football, Basketball, Tennis, UIL and One Act Play.

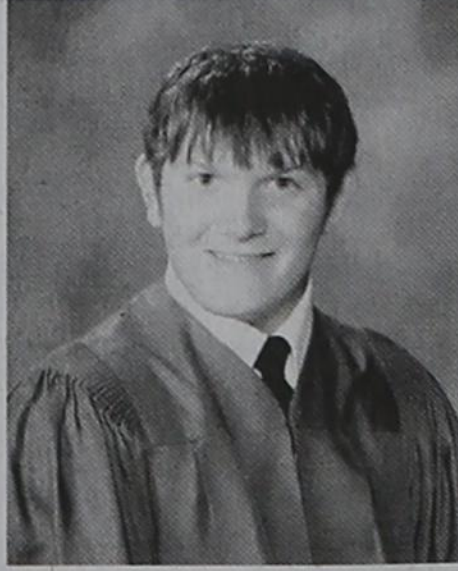
His hobbies are fishing, hunting, dirt roading, paintballing and playing guitar.

His favorite foods are steak, baked potato and sweet tea. His favorite music is Texas Country.

Ashley Dycus, daughter of Gary and Terri Campbell. She was born on May 19, 1988 in Georgetown, Texas. She transferred from De Leon to Gorman her sophomore year.

Ashley plans to go to Abilene over the summer and take classes to get into Surgical Tech School in the fall.

Her favorite foods are everything. Her favorite music is everything.



**Chance Ryan Underwood**

Chance Ryan Underwood, son of Rosemary Bridges and Joe Underwood. He was born January 1, 1989 in Dublin, Texas. He entered Gorman School in 1995.

Chance plans on attending Tarleton State University in the fall and pursue an Ag Degree.

Chance participated in One Act Play, Stockshow Radio Team, Judging Teams, Class President, FFA Chapter Vice President and President, Band, Star Greenhand Award.

His hobbies are riding horses, fishing, swimming, camping, hanging out listening to music and 4X4ing and Concerts.

His favorite foods are Mexican, Italian, American - Nachos, Pizza, Pasta, Burgers, Corndogs. His favorite music is Texas Country and Alternative.



**Rosa Mirella Herrera**

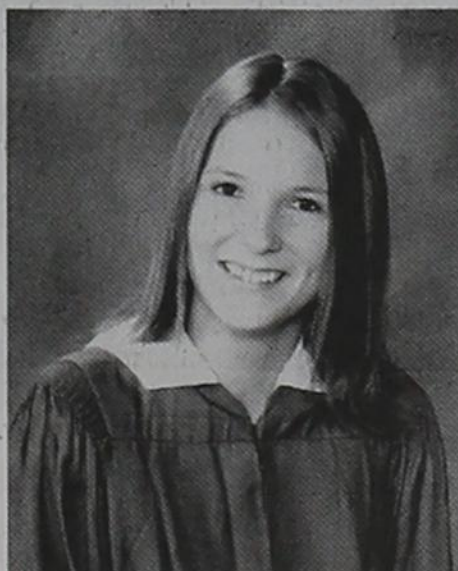
Rosa Mirella Herrera, daughter of Carlos and Rosa Herrera was born October 1, 1988 in Stephenville. She entered Gorman Schools in 1995.

Rosa plans on attending Weatherford College and major in Radiology.

Rosa has participated in Basketball (1,2,3,4), Volleyball (1,2,3,4), Softball (1,2,3,4), Powerlifting (2,3,4), Regional Qualifier, State Qualifier, MVP State Medialist - 3rd Place, Track (3), Tennis (1,2,3,4, MVP), Cheerleading 1,2,3,4, All American nominee, OAP, NHS, FCCLA, FBLA, UIL, Student Council, Class Officer.

Her hobbies are sleeping, listening to music and going shopping.

Her favorite foods are chicken tenders and mashed potatoes. Her favorite music is Spanish, country and alternative.



**Cherish Nicole Vaughn**

Cherish Nicole Vaughn is the daughter of Vernon and Molly Gaines. She was born September 1, 1988 in Stephenville, Tx.

In 2005 Nicole returned to Gorman Schools after living in College Station, Texas for a short time.

She has participated in Band, Twirling and the Panther Dance Team. Nicole has also dedicated much of her time to community service projects. When she is not doing homework, she enjoys hanging out with friends and family, volunteering her time at the hospital, shopping, going to the lake, being on her cell phone and much more.

Her favorite types of food are Chinese and Mexican food.

She listens to all types of music like rap, rock, hip-hop and country.

Upon graduation Nicole plans to attend Weatherford College in the Fall to become a Radiology Technologist.



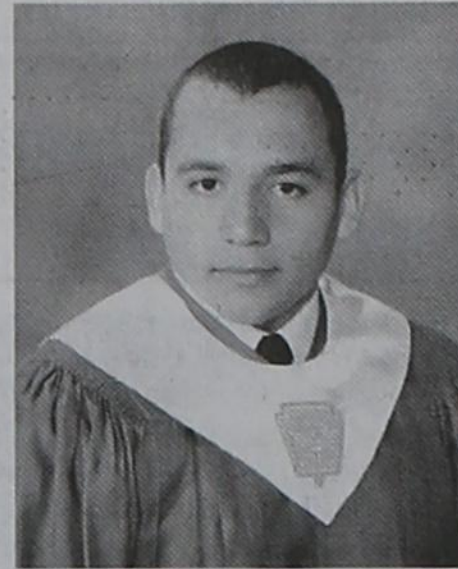
**Josh Cox**

Josh Cox, son of Jalynn Cox and Ed Cox. He was born June 15, 1989.

Josh plans on attending Cisco Junior College or TSTC in Waco.

His hobbies are racing and playing metal music.

His favorite food is hamburgers. His favorite music Heavy Metal.



**Pedro Antonio Ramirez**

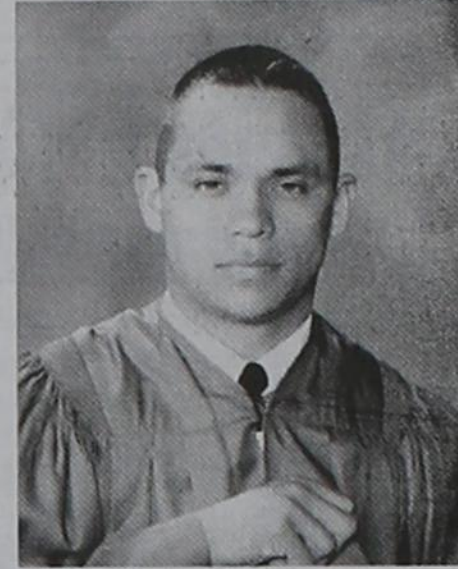
Pedro Antonio Ramirez, son of Jesus and Socorro Ramirez. He was born April 26, 1989 in Eastland.

Pedro plans on inlisting in the Army.

Pedro participated in NHS, Powerlifting MVP.

His hobbies are hanging out with friends.

His favorite foods are all kinds. His favorite music is all kinds.



**David S. Ibarra**

David S. Ibarra is the son of Delia and Carlos Ibarra. He was born April 18, 1988 in Stephenville. He entered Gorman School in 1994.

David plans to join the U. S. Army leaving on June 12th.

David participated in Powerlifting, Track, Tennis, Baseball, Basketball, and Football - First Team All District - Linebacker, First Team All District Unanimous Vote Linebacker, First Team All District Basketball, Regional Qualifier 400 Sprint Relay, Outstanding Crew OAP, All Big Country Honorable Mention Basketball.

His hobbies are listening to music, playing guitar and playing guitar here.

His favorite foods are everything. His favorite music is Avenge Seven Fold, The Red Jumpsuit Aparatus and Gary Allan.



**Kaci Michele Seaton**

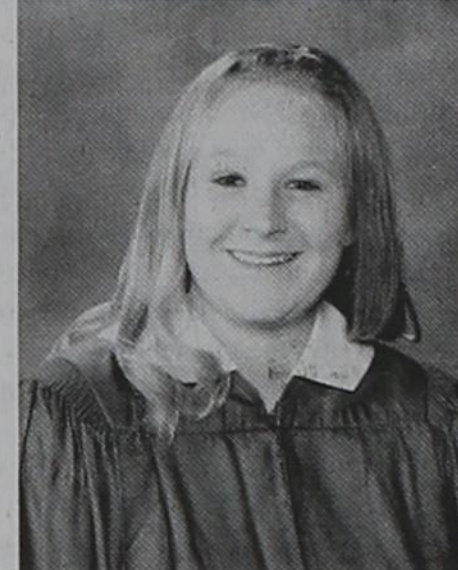
Kaci Michele Seaton, daughter of Jeff and Veronica Seaton was born December 2, 1988 in Brownwood, Texas. She entered Gorman School in 1995.

Kaci plans to attend Cisco Jr. College and Angelo State University, to major in Animal Science.

Kaci participated in Varsity Basketball and Volleyball, FFA Vice President, FFA Show Team, Steers, Goats, Pigs and Rabbits, 10 year FFA Participant Award, FFA Judge Team, Mascot in 2004 and 2005, FFA Sweetheart, Presidency Excellence Award, Homecoming Court, Student Council President, One Act Play, U.I.L.

Her hobbies are swimming, fishing, muddin, playing basketball, camping and going to the lake.

Her favorite foods are Mexican and Italian. Her favorite music is Texas Country.



**Natasha Sherman**

Natasha Sherman, daughter of Shane and Phebe Neal and Danny Sherman was born on January 11, 1989 in Rotan, Texas. She transferred from Clyde Schools in 2001.

Natasha plans on attending Cisco Junior College for an Associates Degree in Nursing.

Natasha participated in Band - 2 years. She has her EMT-Basic and First Responder and has completed 100 hours of Community Service.

Her hobbies are taking care of my daughter, hanging out with friends and family.

Her favorite foods are Ribeyes and cabbage. Her favorite music is everything, but mainly country.



**Amanda Lynn Brown**

Amanda Lynn Brown is the daughter of Freda and Doug Johnson and Jim and Tammy Brown. She was born November 29, 1988 in Stephenville, Texas. She entered Gorman Schools in 1995.

Amanda plans to attend TSTC and get her RN license, then go to Weatherford and become a nurse Anesthesiologist.

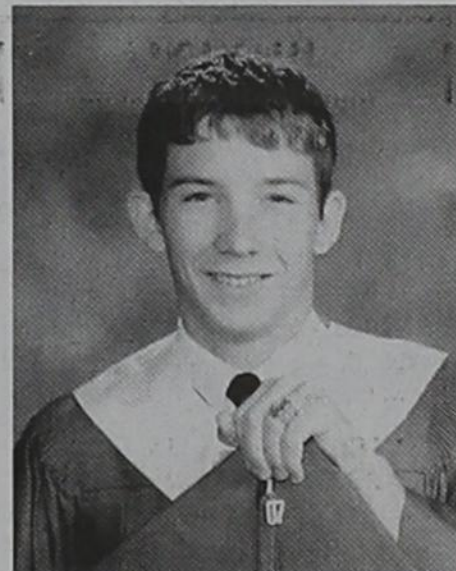
Amanda participated in FFA Show Team - 5 years; FFA Sweetheart, FFA Judging Teams, Band, Color Guard, FCLA. She received a Scholarship from First Financial Bank.

Her hobbies are muddin, showing animals, hanging out with friends.

Her favorite food is Chinese. Her favorite music is Texas Country and Rock.



**Christina Garcia**



**Ty Edward Vaughn**

Ty Edward Vaughn is the son of Vernon and Molly Gaines. He was born September 1, 1988 in Stephenville, Tx.

In 2005 Ty returned to Gorman Schools after living in College Station, Texas for a short time. Throughout his high school years Ty has participated in football, baseball, basketball, track, Ag, U.I.L. and has served as Class Officer. He was voted Most Likely To Succeed and Senior Prom King and is a member of the National Honor Society. He was awarded the Outstanding Citizenship Award by the Masonic Loged and has dedicated much of his time to community services projects.

Ty enjoys being with friends, playing baseball, hunting and fishing.

His favorite foods are seafood and chinese. He enjoys listening to all types of music.

After high school Ty plans to attend Tarleton State University and Texas A&M to begin his studies in Pre-Med.



**Maria Auxilio Oronia**

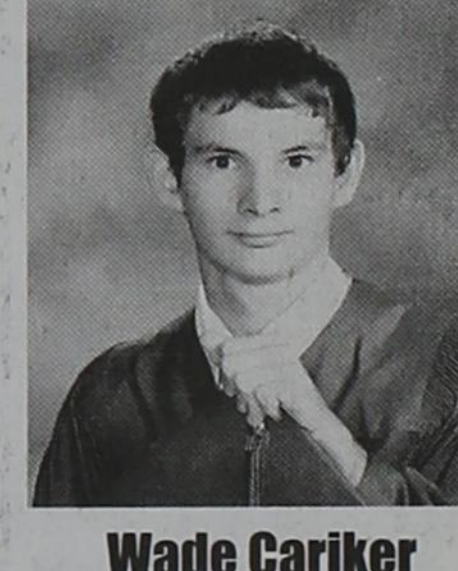
Maria Auxilio Oronia, daughter of Maria and Margarito Oronia. She was born April 15th in Jalisco, Mexico.

Maria plans on attending Tarleton State University and major in Business and Minor in Spanish.

Maria participated in NHS, PALS, BAND and UIL

Her hobbies are going shopping, listening to music, hanging out with friends.

Her favorite foods are Italian and Mexican. Her favorite music is country, Spanish, R & B, Reggeaton, Hip-hop.



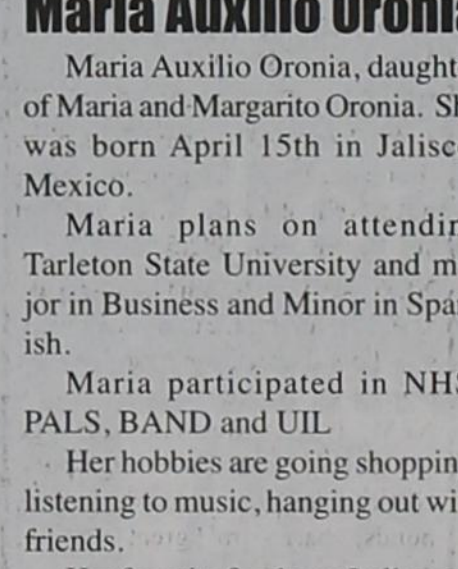
**Wade Cariker**

Wade Cariker, son of Tracy and Tommy Trevino. He was born December 7, 1988 in Eastland. He entered Gorman Schools K-12.

Wade plans on attending UTI in Houston.

Wade participated in FFA. His hobbies are collecting little cars.

His favorite foods are Steak, potatoes and gravy. His favorite music is country or rock.



**Mindy Leigh Keaton**

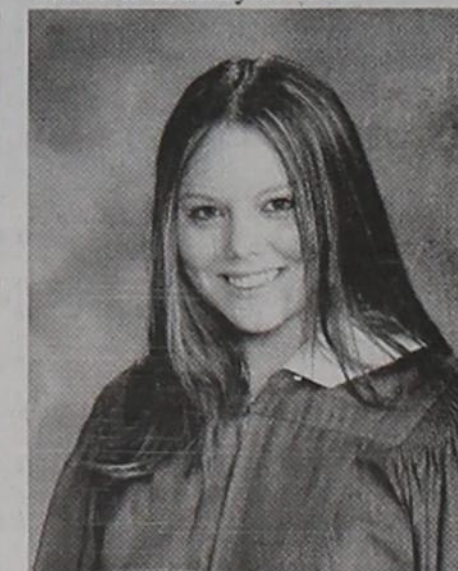
Mindy Leigh Keaton, daughter of Karen and Terry Keaton! She was born May 23, 1988 in Stephenville. She transferred from Dublin in 2000, her 6th grade year to attend Gorman Schools.

transfer to Tarleton State University to major in Business.

Brenda participated in Band - 2 years; PALS; National Honor Society; and Senior Prom Queen.

Her hobbies are hanging out with friends, watching TV, talking on the phone and going shopping.

Her favorite foods are Italian, Mexican and Chinese. Her favorite music is Spanish, Rock, Hip-Hop, Country and R&B.

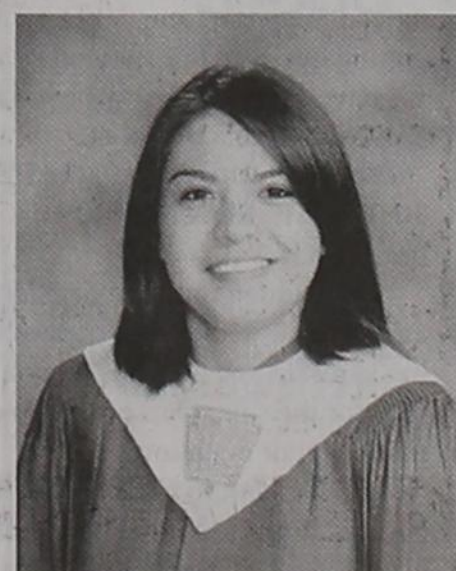


Mindy plans on attending Cisco Jr. College and study Cosmetology.

Mindy participated in Band for 4 years, and Captain of the Color Guard - Senior; Color Guard member for 3 years.

Her hobbies are shopping, hanging out with her best friend, and going to the lake.

Her favorite foods are chicken fried steak with mashed potatoes and gravy. Her favorite music is Country and Hip-hop.



**Brenda Olivares**

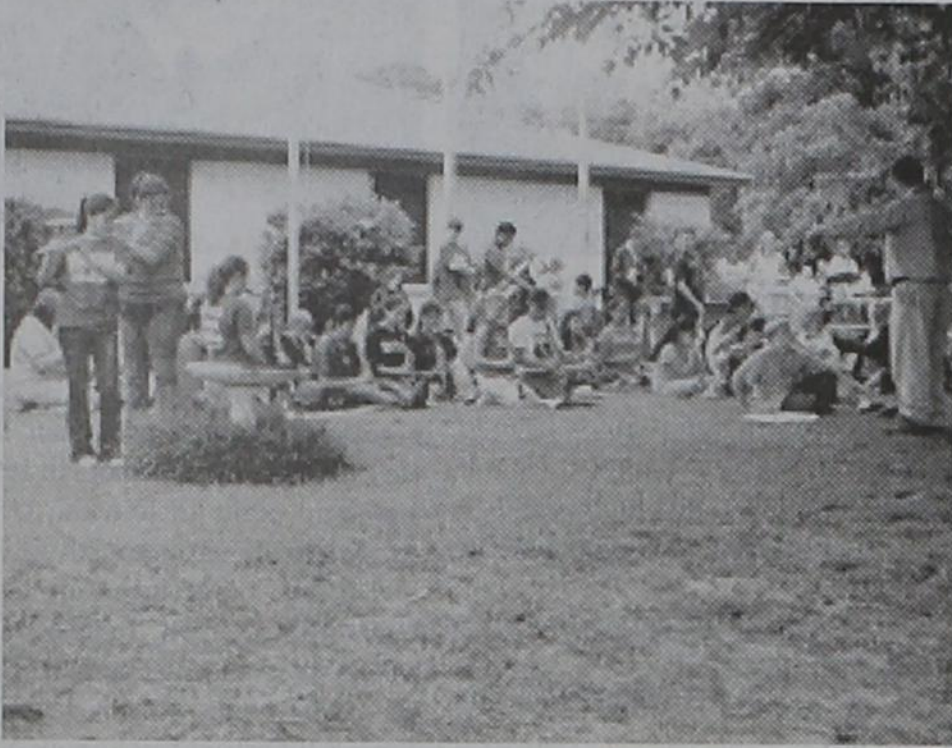
Brenda Olivares, daughter of Juan and Rosalinda Olivares. She was born August 15, 1988 in Eagle Pass, TX.

Brenda plans on attending Cisco Junior College for my basics then



## Heritage Manor News

By Ina Smith



We had lots of fun during National Nursing Home Week. Thursday was the highlight of the week and those who missed it missed a great time. For lunch we served hamburgers that had been cooked outside, chips, soft drinks, fresh blackberry cobbler and homemade ice cream (chocolate, strawberry, banana, blackberry, and vanilla, 30 quarts in all). At 1:45 Mr. Howard brought the Jr. High and High School bands up to put on an outdoors band concert. Everyone enjoyed going outside and listening to the band. They did a super job. Following the concert, the band members were served hamburgers, chips, and homemade ice cream. Everyone has commented on how well mannered and polite this group of students was and after they had finished eating they made sure the area was clean. Some went up the halls to visit with the residents.

A big thank you to all those who came and joined us during National Nursing Home Week.

Visiting with Lottie Morris were Pam Hulse and Brittany Searcy of Hobbs, New Mexico.

Visiting with Troy Scitern were Joann Scitern, Keri, Kelsey, and Nashton Gurthery, Visiting with Lavona Sharp were Jerry Majors and Ronnie Ryon of DeLeon and Rose Marie Allen. Bill Boles of Granbury visited his Mother, Ima Boles. Visiting with Imogene Norris were Bob and Flo Burleson and Lisa Lewis of Stephenville, and James Norris. Lisa took Imogene out shopping. Freddie Rodgers visited with Don Estes. Becky Moore of DeLeon visited with her mom, Mildred Addy.

We would like to thank Amy Wood for the delicious cup cakes she baked for our May birthday party. We would also like to thank Girling Hospice from Eastland for the birthday gifts they provided and Francis Warren for the beautiful crocheted cross she has made each month for those with birthdays.

We extend our deepest sympathy to the families of Jewel Snider and Bob Gibson.

We would like to invite you to join us on Monday afternoon at 2:00 for a Memorial Service in memory of those who have passed away.

Until next month...Ina

## Cheerleaders Say Thanks

The cheerleaders would like to say a huge thank you to Shanda Morrison of Panda's Flowers and Gifts for allowing us the use of her "helium corner" while we were decorating for the Sports Banquet. Shanda, we appreciate you very much for your help and for opening your shop to us, the bows and balloons that you helped us with were great! Thank you again for your support of the GHS cheerleaders and Gorman High School.

Signed: The GHS cheerleaders

## Happenings At First Baptist Church

Visitors and home folks alike enjoyed the Cross Country Band, a group from Austin area that sings old time gospel songs. They had the entire program for Sunday morning. Martha Rainey's son in law was one of the group. Everyone seemed to enjoy all the old songs.

Baccalaureate service was at the high school auditorium for the graduating seniors for Sunday night. Junior High graduation is May 24, Thursday and Senior High Graduation is May 25 at 7:30 p.m.

Our graduating seniors are Mindy Keaton and Kaci Seaton.

Memorial Day weekend is coming up. Don't forget Vacation Bible School is coming soon. Still need a few helpers. Also camp time is near! Anyone wanting to help a kid go to camp, please call the church office for more information. Camp cost for girls/boys and preteen is \$100 each. More on youth camp later. We still need Mac & Cheese for the upcoming Food Pantry day.

Summer time is a busy time and this year is not different, even though we may not be going as far, with the price of gas like it is -- but we can stay close to home and have fun.

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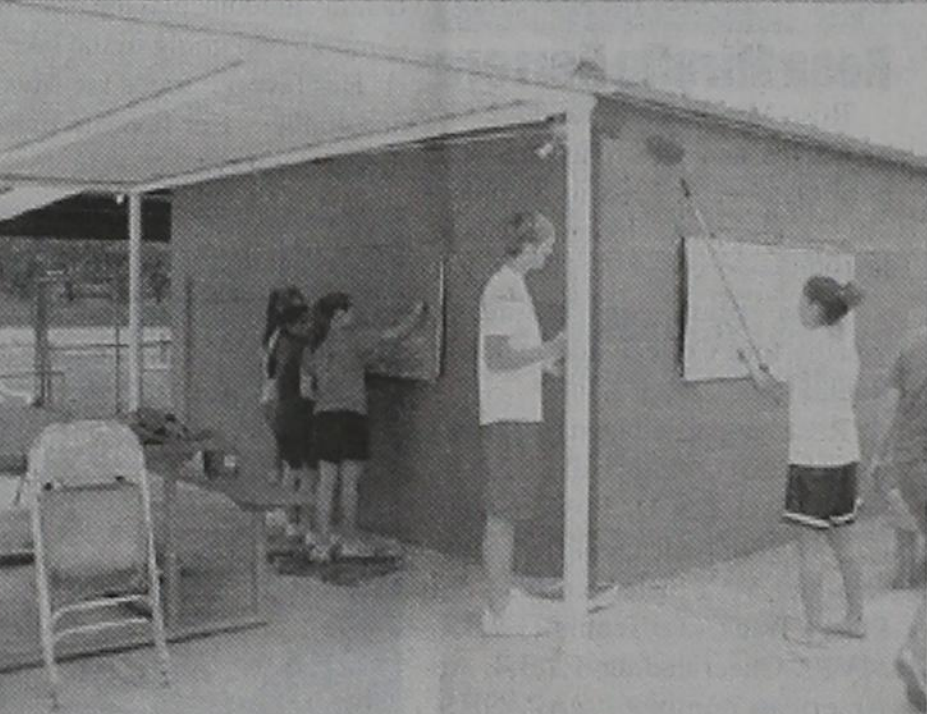
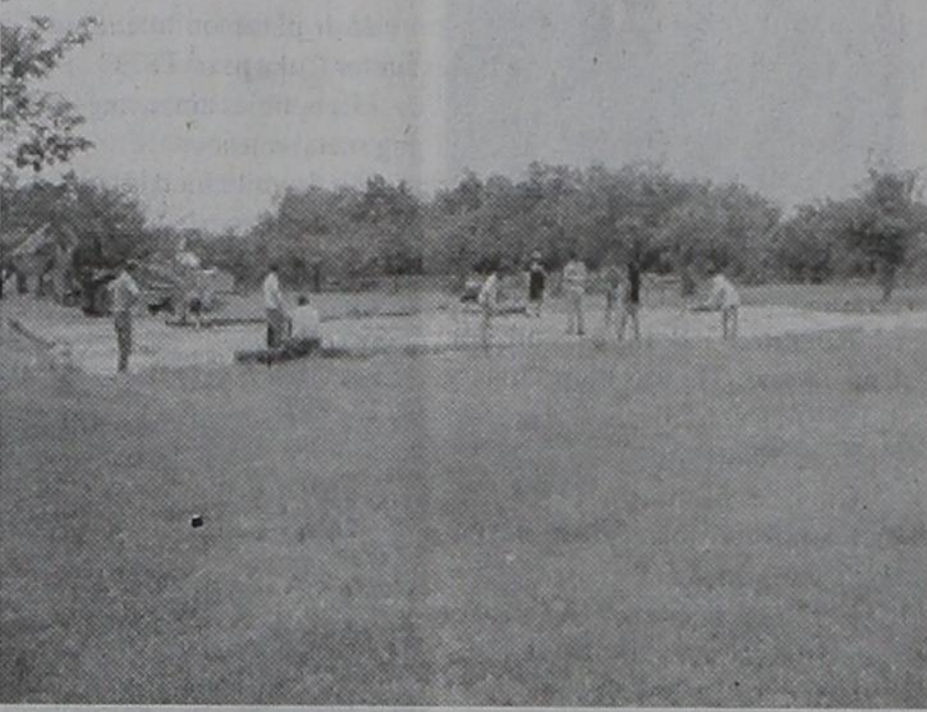
## City Of Gorman Gives Thanks For All The Kids That Helped

The City of Gorman would like to thank Mr. Boles, Mrs. Segura, and Ms. Gutierrez and all of the kids who contributed their labor towards the pool repairs and improvements.

Mr. Boles and his kids worked on the park. They mowed, trimmed trees, ran the weed eater, and raked and spread sand for the beach volleyball court.

Mrs. Segura and Ms. Gutierrez and kids cleaned, prepped and painted the pool house.

We really thank you for taking an interest in making the recreation facilities look a lot more polished and inviting. Thanks again to all of you who worked and really took part, you are very appreciated. You are a definite asset to our community.



## Pig Tales From Hogtown

We had an extremely good turnout for the benefit for our Volunteer Fire Department last Saturday evening! As always, I heard many comments about the outstanding fish and the rest of the meal. Thanks to Monty Williams and his crew Bill Collum, Howard Iley,

Wayne Iley and Grant Lewis. If I missed anyone who was on the outside cooking crew, I apologize and you are thanked also. Thank you to the ladies who made desserts and served inside. A huge thanks to Ray Shippis for being the auctioneer. We most certainly appreciate the businesses in the community and surrounding communities for the donations they made to the auction. There were some really nice things. Another huge thank you to all who came and enjoyed the evening with us and supported our VFD. The money raised will certainly help in getting our new fire station started. If any of you have seen the station we have now, you know how much we need a new one. The new one will even have a restroom!

The next 'Breakfast at the DAC' will be June 2 from 7:00 A.M. until 10:00 A.M. Remember to join us the first Saturday of each month for breakfast.

The Desdemona Activity Center will have a garage sale on June 7, 8 and 9th. We will have a lot of other people's trash that just might be your treasure! Come and see. If you have something you would like to donate for the sale, please call 758-2522, 758-2548 or 758-2420. We will pick up your donation.

It is difficult to believe, but the Bluegrass Jamfest is just around the corner. June 23rd is the date. Bring your instruments and join in for the all-day jamfest beginning at 10:00 A.M. There is no admission charge. At 7:00 P.M. there will be entertainment for which there will be an admission fee of \$5.00 for adults and \$3.00 for children under 12. We are glad to welcome Jeff and Ann Norris, International Autoharp Champions from Quitman, Terry Sanders & Friends. Terry is a Cowboy Poet and musician from Buffalo Springs and the "Southwind" Bluegrass Band from Wichita Falls. It will be a full day of toe tappin' pickin' and grinnin'. There will be a concession stand for lunch and dinner. Sounds like fun to me! Hope to see you there!

## THANK YOU

I would like to thank all the people that helped make our luncheon the EDC hosted last week so successful.

I want to thank Bob Hammontree for smoking one of the best briskets I have ever eaten, Cecilia Hirst and Shirley Self for the great coleslaw Wynogene Smith for the pies. (There was a chocolate pie left over and auctioned off for \$50!!) and hot rolls, and especially to Tacy Warren for fixing the beans, tea and spending your valuable time helping with the preparation.

We could have never provided such a wonderful lunch without such selfless efforts on everyone's part.

I truly appreciate you all and my community.

Lori Dod

## Gorman Hosts Leon-Bosque RC&D Council



Last Tuesday, the City of Gorman hosted the quarterly meeting of the Leon-Bosque RC&D Council. About 20 representatives and guests were present to participate in the meeting and luncheon.

The City of Gorman also received a small Community Conservation grant from the RC&D Council. City Secretary Tacy Warren accepted \$1000 check from Dr. Joe McFarland for new software for the city's waste water treatment plant and a new laser printer.

This is the third such grant Gorman has received from the Leon-Bosque RC&D Council. In 2000, we received \$2000 toward a community assessment, playground renovation and the new water fountain. Then in 2006 we received another \$2000 from the organization for the downtown park improvements.

RC&D areas are locally sponsored areas designated by the Secretary of Agriculture for technical and financial assistance program funds. Leon-Bosque RC&D provides services to the following counties: Bosque, Brown, Callahan, Comanche, Eastland, Erath, Hamilton, Hood, Mills, Palo Pinto, Shackelford, Somervell, and Stephens.



## The Story of The USA Flag

I Am the flag of the United States of America.  
My name is Old Glory.

I fly atop the world's tallest buildings.  
I stand watch in America's halls of justice.  
I fly majestically over institutions of learning.  
I stand guard with power in the world.  
Look up and see me.

I stand for peace, honor, truth and justice.  
I stand for freedom.  
I am confident.  
I am arrogant.  
I am proud.

When I am flown with my fellow banners,  
My head is a little higher,  
My colors a little truer.

I bow to no one!  
I am recognized all over the world.  
I am worshipped - I am saluted.  
I am loved - I am revered.  
I am respected - and I am feared.

I have fought in every battle of every way for more than 200 years.

I was flown at Valley Forge, Gettysburg, Shiloh and Appomattox.  
I was there at San Juan Hill, the trenches of France,  
in the Argonne Forest, Anzio, Rome and the beaches of Normandy.

Guam, Okinawa, Korea and KheSan, Saigon, Vietnam know me.  
I was there.  
I led my troops, I was dirty, battleworn and tired,  
But my soldiers cheered me and I was proud.

I have been burned, torn & trampled on the streets of countries I have helped set free  
It does not hurt for I am invincible.

I have been soiled upon, burned, torn and trampled in the streets of my country.  
And when it's done by those Whom I've served in battle - it hurts.  
But I shall overcome - for I am strong.

I have slipped the bonds of Earth and stood watch over the uncharted frontiers of space from my vantage point on the moon.

I have borne silent witness to all of America's finest hours.

But my finest hours are yet to come.

When I am torn into strips and used as bandages for my wounded comrades on the battlefield, When I am flown at half-mast to honor my soldier,  
Or when I lie in the trembling arms of a grieving parent at the grave of their fallen son or daughter, I am proud.



# KOKOMO NEWS

BY ZELDA JORDAN

"When The Morning Comes" was beautifully rendered by the choir at the Sunday morning service at the Kokomo Baptist Church. The choir was under the direction of Woodrow Browning with Helen Browning at the piano. Those in the choir were: Thomas Seay, Jimmy Little, Daryl Hirst, Joe Bond, Bobbi Haggard, Kay Snider, Aletha Burgess, and Ruth Rodgers. Bro. Jim Haggard brought a very challenging message from Mark 2:1 and 12 about the friends that brought the man sick with palsy to where Jesus was to be healed. There was such a great crowd that they couldn't get in to where Jesus was, so they took the man upon the rooftop and lifted him down into the building. Their task was not easy. Jesus healed the man and told him to take up his bed and walk, and he did. The rich, poor, sick and religious people were there. Some for Christ and some against Him, but all were amazed to see the miracle as they had never seen anything like it before. We can see miracles done in our church, but the presence of the Lord must be in our church, and we must be certain we are doing what the scriptures tell us to do. We must pray for God's leadership and listen to his answer and then do it, and carry out the Great Commission of Matthew 28:18-20.

The special music on Sunday night "Just A Little Talk With Jesus" was beautifully rendered by Bobbi Haggard, Ruth Rodgers, Woodrow Browning, Jimmy Little and Joe Bond with Helen Browning at the piano. Bro. Haggard's message on Sunday night was from several scriptures and was titled "Wake Up Call." Satan Makes Warfare. We are not ignorant of his acts. The world system hates Christ. We must be in one accord, put on the whole armor of God and aggressively witness to the unbeliever in the power of the Holy Spirit to full-fill our responsibility as Christians. If you don't have a church home, we cordially invite you to come to the Kokomo Baptist Church to hear these great messages from God's Holy Word.

We extend sincere sympathy to the family of Jewel Snider of Gorman. His funeral was held in Gorman on Sunday afternoon. Jewel and his family were former residents of Kokomo. He was a relative of LaVon, Ted, Gene, and Danny Snider and their families of Kokomo and Gorman, and Dwayne Snider and family of Stephenville.

Ruth Rodgers, Jimmy and Verna Lee Little and Glen and Shirley Clemet were among those who enjoyed the gospel music concert at the Coggin Avenue Baptist Church in Brownwood on Thursday. They report that it was a wonderful concert.

Doug and Carole Little of Midland, and David Little and Ashley Woods of Las Cruces, NM visited during the weekend with Betty Little and they all attended the wedding of Doug and Carole's son, Joe Little and Ashley Mays at the Botanical Garden in Fort Worth on Saturday night, May 19, 2007. Others also attending the wedding were Karen Patterson of Eastland, Jimmy and Verna Lee Little, Charles and Carolyn Little, James, Jill and Breckley Little, Dan and Charla Burgess, and Shellie, Justin, Ally and Emma Little, Nelda, Cody and Jarad Fails of Arlington, and Scott, Caye, Zack and Zane Mauney of Santo.

Jimmy and Verna Lee Little attended the funeral of Jewel Snider on Sunday afternoon.

Joe Bond visited in Copperas Cove on Friday with Shannon, Stephanie, Reagan, Sydnie and Joey Bond, and attended the birthday celebration of Sydnie's third birthday.

LaVon Snider visited with Ted and Charlotte Snider. Danny and Ted Snider visited with LaVon.

Zelda Jordan had a nice telephone visit with Ricky Fuller of Pittsfield, Ill. on Saturday night. Ricky sends a hello to all his friends in this area.

Sylvia Buchanan, Daisy Slaton and Zelda Jordan visited with Nancy Hendricks.

Thank God for the nice weather we've been having. Not too hot and not too cold. Just right.

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In last weeks paper, Fullen Motor Company Ad needed to specify that 5 Year/100,000 Warranty should have applied only to Vehicle Powertrain Warranty

## Carbon Golden Exes Reunion Needs More Addresses

The mailing list for the 2007 Carbon Golden Exes Reunion is being readied and some addresses are not available for the mailout. If anyone knows the addresses for any of the following names please contact Reba Reeves, phone number 817-738-8393, email at rebareeves@sbcglobal.net or Edna Powell at 254-734-3135 or email at smoke@cctc.net. If you can help us with any of these addresses, we wish to thank you. We have been notified about some of the names but the following names are still unavailable:

Hazel Weaver Cates -- ergie Gregg -- Joe Ear Lee

## GATORADE GIRLS' SOCCER POY TEXAS - MELISSA HENDERSON

RISE selects Berkner High School standout as Gatorade Texas Girls' Soccer Player of the Year

In its third decade of honoring the nation's best high school athletes, Gatorade joined with RISE Magazine to name junior forward/defender MELISSA HENDERSON of BERKNER HIGH in Richardson as its 2006-07 Texas Girls' Soccer Player of the Year.

Henderson, a forward and part-time defender, pretty much did it all for Berkner this year. The 5-foot-8, 135-pound Henderson recorded 24 goals and 12 assists this season, despite missing six games due to United States Soccer Federation Under-17 and Under-20 National team commitments, and despite playing significant minutes as sweeper for the Rams, who finished 18-11 and reached the Class 5A, Region 2 quarterfinals. Henderson is a 2006 PARADE All-American and is Berkner's all-time leader with 66 goals in just 47 games.

Henderson has maintained a B-plus average in the classroom. A member of the cross country, basketball and track teams, Henderson is also a member of the Student Council and Debate Team at Berkner, in addition to her active participation in the Richardson Bible Fellowship Church's Young Life group.

"She's the best in the country at her age; there's not anyone better than her," said Kenny Medina, Henderson's club coach with the Dallas Texans Red team. "Being 17 and being called to U20s is tremendous. She's everything. She's got the strength, the speed, she's technically gifted. She's got great imagination. You have some kids who are big, strong and fast, but with the ball it's a different game. When she gets the ball, she's got the skills with her right and left foot. She's very, very good."

Henderson will begin her senior year of high school this fall and expects to attend the University of Notre Dame on a soccer scholarship upon graduation in 2008.

Melissa is the daughter of Kelly and Kathy Henderson of Garland and the granddaughter of E. G. Henderson of Lake Leon and Berry Henderson of Abilene.

## Tech\*Star Holds 5th Annual Texas EMS Week Luncheon

On Sunday, May 20th, Tech\*Star EMS Education held its 5th Annual Texas EMS Week Luncheon for the area air medical providers. This is our way of showing our appreciation to the air medical providers that service the Eastland County area, according to Tim Dennis, Clinical Educator for Tech\*Star EMS Education, Critical Care Educator & Director for Mercy EMS & Member of the Governor's EMS Advisory Council. "May 20th thru May 26th is Texas, as well as National EMS Week. This week is set aside to honor those that answer your call for help during a medical emergency, whether it the local EMS, Fire Dept., or first responder group. Whether paid or volunteer, these people make sure that your need is taken care of when you have a medical emergency", states Dennis. We started this 5 yrs ago with one air medical provider attending and it has grown each year. This year we invited 5 providers, but due to other obligations and call volume, only two were able to attend. We hope to have all 5 attend for our Holiday Dinner in December, stated Dennis.



Photo: L-R: Larry White, Pilot, CareFlite, Tim Dennis, Clinical Educator, Tech\*Star, Larry Brown, EMTP, CareFlite, Teresa Campbell, RN, CareFlite, Rick Novotny, RN Air-Evac, Ron Meador, EMTP/RN, Air-Evac & Dave Blevins, Pilot, Air-Evac.

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We wish to thank everyone who participated in the benefit for the Desdemona Volunteer Fire Department. Thank you to the merchants in our town and all the surrounding communities who donated articles for the auction. Thanks to Ray Shipp for handling the auction. A huge thank you to all who attended the benefit and all who donated to help us build a much-needed fire station.

Desdemona Volunteer Fire Department

## Senior Citizens News

Carol Ward

We had our regular weekly dinner on May 16 at 11:30. Our attendance improved with 26 present. The more that come, means many different dishes. Kind of like a Chinese Dinner. We do have many good cooks. James Miears gave the blessing of the food for us all.

We sent get well cards to Bob Gibson and Annie Fay Foster. Then were saddened by Bob's passing. Barbara Bush and I attended his funeral. Several others from the hotel were there. They knew him best as their neighbor. We will certainly miss him at the dinners. It was rarely he missed a Wednesdays and always brought a dish he made. We brought a potted flowering plant from all of us at the Center.

Also was upset by Annie Fay Foster having to go back to the hospital. I was planning on visiting her at home last Sunday. Then found out they had to take her back with a flu bug. She must get well so she can come back and be with us. We miss her good cheer and visiting, also ringing the call to order bell.

We also sent a get well card to Johnny Miller, Icy Munn's son-in-law. He is having a bad time of it, hope he is better.

We were so pleased to have Joy Rogers with us again. It had been quite a while as she has been staying with Mary Kirk. Then heard she went on a cruise, what fun! Daisy Slaton and I went on one 2 years ago. We had a very enjoyable time, and didn't get seasick. We had a perfect cruise, would love to go again.

I forgot to mention, Susan Lipson was with us a couple weeks ago. She used to be a regular, but now too busy in her life. We do enjoy seeing you Susan, please come back some day. Also Daisy Slaton went to Alabama on May 3. She was there to attend her granddaughters wedding on May 5. All went well, except they thought they would never leave DFW. Due to weather and detours they spent the whole first day there. It caused them to miss a few affairs they were to attend. I know they had a good time, but can be tiring on the body.

Barbara and Max Bush are leaving this week for a trip out East. Hope to make Washington, D.C. and other sights in the area. Hope a good time and enjoy!!

Don't forget game night on thursday at 5 p.m. The players will miss Max and Barbara. Hope all is well, till next time.

## CJC Holds Commencement

Cisco Junior College held its annual commencement exercises Friday May 4, 2007 in the Harrell Fine Arts Auditorium on the College's Cisco Campus. One hundred thirteen students representing both the Cisco campus and the Abilene Educational Center received their Associate degrees.

Student(s) awarded diplomas were:  
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Eason, Melanie  
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## Desdemona News

By Vonnie Guthery

Desdemona Monthly "Country and Western" Musical will be held on Saturday, May 26 at the Community Center School Building. The concession stand will open at 5:30 p.m. serving sandwiches, homemade pie and drinks. Come early to enjoy supper and visit with the group before the music program begins at 6:00 p.m. All area musicians, singers and visitors are invited to attend. Bring your friends and neighbors for an enjoyable evening of good music. Admission is "Free".

Robert and Ima Brown was in Fort Worth on Tuesday, May 22 to attend the High School Graduation of their grandson, Preston Brown, son of Robert Alton and Jana Brown.

John and Ronda (Duke) James and daughter, Emily of Whitney; Katie Duke of Stephenville visited the past weekend with "Humpy" and Betty Duke. Betty, Ronda, Emily and Katie attended a baby shower for Samantha Duke on Saturday, May 19 in Stephenville.

Jamie Smith, 78, of Eastland passed away. She taught Home Economics in Desdemona High School. This reporter was a student in her class. Our sincere sympathy goes out to this family.

Robert and Ima Brown attended the funeral of a cousin, Milton Brown on Monday, May 21, 2007. Burial was in the Abilene Cemetery.

Ruby (Redwine) Saint, 78, of Fort Worth passed away and burial was on May 4, 2007 in the Howard Cemetery, north of Desdemona. Ruby was born July 28, 1928 in Ranger to Earl and Iva Tresner Redwine. Survivors include six daughters, Sandra, Ann, Linda, Carolyn, Marilyn and Melody; grand-children; great grand-children; nieces; nephews and brother, Floyd Redwine of Fort Worth. Preceded in death by her husband, Burley Saint; her parents and brothers. The Redwine family are former residents of Desdemona where some of their children attended school. Ruby and her husband, Burley Saint graduated from Desdemona High School with the Class of 1946. Our Community sends sincere sympathy to this family in the loss of the loved one.

Victor Cemetery Association will have the Annual Meeting on Saturday, May 26 with a business meeting prior to lunch. Bring a basket lunch for the noon meal and enjoy the day visiting with your friends and relatives.

Please contact this reporter with your weekly news -- your help will be appreciated. Thanks, have a nice day, Coon.

## Ten Star All Star Basketball Camp

Registration is now open for the Ten Star All Star summer Basketball Camp and the Bryan Adrian Summer Basketball Camp. The Ten Star All Star Summer Basketball Camp is by Invitation Only. Boys and Girls ages 10 - 19 are eligible to apply. Past participants include: Michael Jordan, Tim Duncan, Vince Carter, Jerry Stackhouse, Grant Hill and Antawn Jamison. Players from 50 States and 17 Foreign Countries attended the 2006 Camp. College Basketball Scholarships are possible for players selected to the All-American Team. Camp locations include: Commerce, Tx; Prescott, AZ; Thousand Oaks, CA; Sterling, CO; Babson Park, FL; Atlanta, GA.; Champaign, IL; Ypsilanti, MI; Glassboro, NJ; Hickory, NC.; Mitchell, SD.; Lebanon, TN.; and Blacksburg, VA.

Registration is also open for the 29th Annual Bryan Adrian Summer Basketball Camp. Boys and Girls ages 6 - 18 are eligible. All skill levels are welcome. Locations include: Commerce, Tx; Prescott, AZ; Thousand Oaks, CA; Sterling, CO; Babson Park, FL; Atlanta, GA.; Champaign, IL; Ypsilanti, MI; Glassboro, NJ; Hickory, NC.; Mitchell, SD.; Lebanon, TN.; and Blacksburg, VA. For free brochures on these Summer Camps, please call 704-373-0873 ANYTIME.

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