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Order Restricting Outdoor Burning

WHEREAS, the Commissioners Court has determined that circumstances present in all or part of the unincorporated area of the County create a public safety hazard that would be exacerbated by outdoor burning;

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED by the Commissioners Court of Eastland County that all outdoor burning is banned in the unincorporated area of the County for 90 days from the date of adoption of this Order, unless the restrictions are terminated earlier based on a determination made by the Texas Forest Service or this Court. This Order is adopted pursuant to Local Government Code 352.081, and other applicable statutes. This order does not prohibit outdoor burning activities related to public health and safety that are authorized by the Texas Natural Resources Commission for (1) firefighter training; (2) public utility, natural gas pipeline or mining operations; or (3) planting or harvesting of agricultural crops; or, (4) burns that are conducted by a prescribed burn manager certified under Section 153.048, Natural Resources Code, and meet the standards of Section 153.047, Natural Resources Code.

Court Approved by a majority vote.
In accordance with Local Government Code 352.081, a violation of this Order is a Class C misdemeanor, punishable by a fine not to exceed \$500.00.

ADOPTED this 22nd day of February, 2007, by a vote of 5 ayes and 0 nays.

(s) Rex Fields, County Judge

Attest: Kari Nicholson, Deputy
County Clerk

Benefit Account Started At ASB For Jeff Seaton

A Benefit Account has been set up at the American State Bank in Gorman, Texas for *The Messengers* tenor Jeff Seaton, to help with medical expenses.

Please make checks payable to ASB with "Jeff Seaton Benefit Fund" in the notation. If you wish to mail a donation, send it to:

American State Bank
P. O. Box 519
Gorman, TX 76454

A Benefit Dinner and Auction are currently pending for March 31st.

Chamber Of Commerce Banquet Set March 19

The annual Chamber of Commerce Banquet has been set for March 19, 2007 at 7:00 p.m. at Z. J.s Steakhouse.

Featured entertainment will be "For By Grace" featuring gospel musical entertainment.

Community Service Award and Special Awards will be presented, along with the Academic Awards to the top individuals of Grades 9 through 12.

Tickets will be \$15.00 this year and may be purchased at the following business firms or from any director of the Chamber: Daryl Hirst, G & H Feeds; Veronica Seaton; George Simmons, Gorman Pharmacy; Judy Warren; Bob Wilkerson; Ray Daniels; and Terry Treadway.

The Chamber invites you to make plans to attend the banquet this year.

Sipe Springs Monthly Musical is planned Saturday, March 3, the Sipe Springs Community Club will host their monthly musical. A potluck supper will be served at 5:30 p.m. Bring your instrument to play music or just come to listen. Everyone is invited.

Gorman ISD Honor Roll

First Grade - A

Trent Fenley, Kade Sparger, Stratton Thompson, Jacob Ervin, Connor Kehl, Danette Lara, Jessica Ramirez and Sara Woodall.

B

Elisabhd Garcia, Rafael Ortiz, Kaiden Petree, Caitlyn Rainey, Isaac Segura, Caitlyn Rainey, Colin Simmons, Haley Wright, Allie Grumbles, Dianna Rainey, Zakary Snider and Colton Wheeler.

Second Grade - A

Izael Herrera, Talee Jones, Mayra Ramirez, Bradi Campbell, Sydnel Casey, Kayce Dodd, Ricardo Olvera and Samuel Rainey.

B

Shawn Reyna, Dayanna Palacios, Kestan Pierce, Carissa Cole, Audriana Segura, Delia Prado, Alex Rainey, Katalina Landa, Shawn Reyna, Dylan Walton.

Third Grade - A

Kourtney Seaton, Turner Whitten, Alette Giles, Rylan Laminack, Jose Maldonado, Kodie Sparger, Whitney Bryant, Hunter Childers, Flavio Herrera and Garet Vaughn.

B

Alfredo Montelongo, Yulissa Madera, Kathryn Woodall, Betty Montelongo, Asahel Garcia, Ethan May, Rodrigo Mata, Cassidy Tolan and Bailey Underwood.

Fourth Grade - A

Cheyenne Gibbs, Jacquelyn Rainey, Lauren Spivey and Lacey Wilson.

B

Mariela Sanchez, Chloe Cole, Brittany Burns, Russell Morrison, Jarimma Silva, Madison Warren, Maty West, T. J. Trevino and Adriana Blair.

Fifth Grade - A

Melissa Ramirez and Zachary Carlton.

B

Connie Gonzalez, Jessica Ledford, Haven Johnson, Mykisha Hampton, Kinsey Johnston, Fabian Garcia, Skye Lewis, Rhys Vaughn, Yari Montelongo and Miles Turner.

Sixth Grade - A

Austin Marlow and Luis Limon.

B

Robert Shawver, Mario Silva, Tyson Underwood, Sergio Garcia, Skyler Henderson, Rachel Tucker, Margarita Oronia and Angelena Perez.

7TH Grade - A

Chelsea Griffin and Asher Vaughn.

A-B

Maria Garcia, Carlie Jackson, Raven Kehl, Karla Lara, Charlesy Little, Erica Ortiz, McKenzie Osborne, Cortney Shirley, Katey Thackerson, Stetson Thompson and Johnathan Whitten.

8th Grade - A

Jaime Johnston and Abigail Pacheco.

A-B

Brice Campbell, Karina Hipolito, Maria Raygoza, Amy Regian, Stephanie Risueno, Luisa Silva and Steven Singleton.

9th Grade - A

Christopher Bryant and Eric Ryon.

A-B

Brittany Henderson, Laura Herrera, Erica Limon, Adriana Madera, Perla Maldonado, Kimberly Seaton and Brenda Velasquez.

10th Grade - A

Audrey Johnston, Emily Lewis, Jordan Perry, Matthew Underwood, Perla Velasquez and Veronica Walton.

A-B

Marsela Gonzales, Sonia Hipolito, Olivia Jackson, Lindsey Laminack, Valerie Longoria, Martin Ramirez, Barbara Sherman, Angelia Silva, Tyson Swanner and April Voyles.

11th Grade - A

Ashley Burkeen, Brandy Carlton, Nicole Cogburn, Tecia Jones, Jimmie Murphy, Mary Powell and Nancy Velasquez.

A-B

Maria Cruz, Zachary Fox, Yhdira Garcia, Reba Granado, Carlos Gutierrez, Shanna Hair, Aaron Keith, Megan Lewis, Carlos Palacios, Christen Ranson and Trey Underwood.

12th Grade - A

Kristy Carlton, K'ann Howard and Crystal Thackerson.

A-B

Rosa Herrera, Brenda Olivares, Maria Oronia, Pedra Ramirez, Amanda Regian, Rejinaldo Sanchez, Natasha Sherman, Brittany Shirley, Matthew Smith, Kaci Seaton, Nicole Vaughn and Mindy Voyles.

Four Lady Panthers Receive Basketball Honors

The Gorman Lady Panthers basketball team finished the season with an overall record of 11-15. The Ladies worked very hard with some impressive highlights for the year. Their schedule included 11 games against teams with standings in the top twenty in the state. Lady Panthers came out on top in 3 of these matches including a one point win with a last second shot against Lipan and two wins over Gordon- by two points the first win and an overtime win in their 3rd meeting of the year. District honors for the Ladies include: Audrey Johnston-2nd team, Brandy Carlton-2nd team, Kristy Carlton-Honorable Mention, and Val Longoria-Honorable Mention.

Gorman Panther Baseball

Here is some results of Panther Baseball at Evant and At the Gorman Tourney.

Game #1 - At Evant

	Runs	Hits	BB	SO	SB	
Gorman	7	5	6	9	10	
Evant	0	2	0	11	0	
Winning Pitcher - Matt Underwood						
IP	BF	H	R	BB	SO	Team Record
7	25	2	0	0	11	1-0

Game #2 - Gorman Tourney

Gorman	8	6	11	3	6	
Hico	7	4	5	9	5	
Winning Pitcher - Tyson Swanner						
IP	BF	H	R	BB	SO	Record
6	27	4	7	5	9	2-0

Game #3 - Gorman Tourney

Gorman	2	1	10	7	8
Perrin-Whitt	3	3	1	5	4
Losing Pitcher - Matt Underwood					
IP	H	R	BB	SO	Record
5	3	3	1	5	2-1

Gorman #4 - Gorman Tourney

Gorman	6	7	2	5	11	
Evant	5	7	2	7	10	
Winning Pitcher - Tyson						
2	1	0	0	3		
Ty Vaughn	5	6	5	2	7	3-1

Panther Lineup

Zack Fox - Center Field
Matt Underwood - Pitcher/Shortstop - ERA-2.25
Tyson Swanner - Pitcher/Shortstop - ERA-7.87
Corey Clark - Catcher
David Ibarra - Third Base
Aaron Keith - First Base / Pitcher
Brandon Greer - Second Base / Catcher
Ty Vaughn - Left Field / Pitcher - ERA-9.00
Daniel Shirley - Right Field
Tyler Johnson - Right Field
Subs: Matthew Cogburn - Paul Burt - Alex Giles - James Brown
Colby Spivey - Christin Ranson - Stats

Three Positions Available On GISD School Board

THREE positions will come open for the May 12, 2007 election for school board trustee to be elected at large. These positions will be for three-year terms and are currently held by Bobby Rich, Melinda Harrington, and Beth Underwood. Applications for filing for a position on the ballot will begin on February 12, 2007. Deadline for filing will be March 12, 2007 at 5:00 p.m. Applications can be completed at the Administration office during school hours. Incumbents, Beth Underwood and Melinda Harrington have filed for a place on the ballot.

ITEMS OF INTEREST

LIBRARY — Charlie Garrett Memorial Library is open every Monday thru Friday from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m., Tuesday mornings from 9 a.m. to 12 noon and Saturday mornings from 9 to 12 starting September 2nd.

SANDRA CAGLE WILL BE IN GORMAN AT THE CITY OFFICE TO RENEW AUTO LICENSE PLATES. HER NEXT VISIT WEDNESDAY, MARCH 21ST FROM 9 - NOON

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

Gorman Senior Citizens meet Every Wednesday at 11:30 in the Gorman Senior Center. Bring Covered Dish or \$3.00 Per Plate.

Gorman Oaklawn Cemetery Donations can be sent to Aline Garrett, P. O. Box 711, Gorman, Tx 76454 or to American State Bank.

FOOD BANK

New Hours - 10 - 11:00 a.m.
Second Thursday

Boy Scouts

Meeting Week
Tuesdays — 6:00 p.m.
Methodist Church

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.

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.

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

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. Mark Wilkerson, Master — Pat Moseley, Secretary.

City Commission Minutes

February 21, 2007

The Gorman City Commission met on the above date. Those present were Mayor Robert Ervin, Commissioners Charlie Torrez, Don Underwood, and Joe Casey. Absent was Nathan Files. Harold Fritz was also present.

Charlie led the opening prayer followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and the Texas Pledge.

Mayor Ervin called the meeting to order @ 5:40 p.m.

Don made the motion to approve the minutes, with a second from Charlie. Motion carried 3-0.

Charlie made the motion to pay the bills. Joe made a second. Motion carried 3-0.

Mr. Fritz was present to discuss some street issues with the Commission.

The Commission wanted to post pone any action for items #8 and #9, until the next meeting.

Don made the motion to adjourn with a second from Charlie. Motion carried 3-0.

Time was 6:50 p.m.

Letter To The Editor

Dear Lonnie,

Just a note for all those who remember Dr. Pete Flores and his wife Ofie who lived here in the late 1970's and/or early 1980's. They now live in Hemet, Ca. They sent me a Christmas card and said to tell everyone hello. Dr. Pete is now retired and they plan on visiting Gorman sometime this spring. Their address is Dr. Pepito Flores 42065 Shadow Lane, Hemet, Ca 92544. If I find out when they are coming for sure, I will let everyone know.

Ina

Andrea Files and James Morris, III to Pledge Vows



Michael and Virginia Johnson of Gorman, Ricky and Janie Files of Stephenville, Todd and Linda Graham of Harper and Jim and Kathy Morris of Kerrville would like to announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their children, Andrea Michelle Files to James (Jimmy) Morris, III. The ceremony will take place on March 24, 2007 at 6:00 p.m. at the First Baptist Church in Gorman, Texas. Grandparents include Ron and Nina Skiles, George and Lindsay Simmons, Nathan and Sandy Files, all of Gorman, Texas and Andy and Jerry Johnson of Ranger, Mr. and Mrs. James Morris of Kerrville and Mr. and Mrs. Philip Graham of Kerrville. Great-grandparents are George and Nell Mason of Gorman and L. D. Koenig of Cross Plains. The bride-elect is a 2004 graduate of Gorman High School and is now a junior at Schreiner University in Kerrville. The prospective bridegroom is a 2003 graduate of Tom Moore High School in Ingram, Texas. They will reside in Kerrville after their marriage.

Obituaries

Gene Crenshaw

Services for James Eugene "Gene" Crenshaw, age 81 of Alba, Tx was held at 11 a.m. Tuesday, February 27 at Wilson-Bartley Funeral Home Chapel in Alba with Mrs. Frank Summers officiating. Burial was in Salem Cemetery in Alba under the direction of Wilson-Bartley Funeral Home of Alba.

Gene Crenshaw passed away on Friday, February 23rd at Hospice of East Texas Homeplace in Tyler, Tx.

He was born June 3, 1925 in Eastland County, Tx. He grew up in Gorman and lived in Jal, NM before moving to Alba in 1984. He was a member of Alba Church of Christ.

He retired from El Paso Natural Gas Company where he was a Materials Manager. He served in the Navy during WWII and the Korean War.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Felix and Floy Ford Crenshaw; sister, Joceile Underwood; and brother, Herbert Crenshaw.

He is survived by his wife of 60 years, Reta Griffith Crenshaw of Alba; one son, James F. Crenshaw of Lindale; one daughter, Sheila Frank and husband Bobby of Plano; one sister, Patricia Herrington of Sulphur Springs; five grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Pallbearers were Sam Fazel, Narwin Gaby, Ronnie Gaby, Allen Lennon, Don McKenzie and Make Ragsdale. Honorary pallbearers were Kenneth Wayne Hayes, Gerald Kelly, E. J. Leach and Walter Ragsdale.

Billye Ruth Huddleston Woods

Billye Ruth Huddleston Woods, age 83 of Stephenville, Tx passed away on Friday, February 23, 2007 at Community Nursing and Rehab in Stephenville. Services were held Monday, February 26th at 2:00 p.m. at Nowlin Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. Buddy Wells officiating. Burial was in De Leon Cemetery.

Billye was born on May 29, 1923 in Comanche Co., Tx to the late Harry Jennings Huddleston and Mary Della "Madie" Gray Huddleston. She married George Brogdon on October 23, 1943 in Brownwood; he preceded her on June 17, 1951; she later married James L. "Brownie" Woods on July 31, 1952 in Gorman; he preceded her on October 13, 1975.

Billye was a homemaker; devoted wife; loving mother and grandmother; attended school in Duster and De Leon; resided in De Leon until 1958 then moved to Midland where she lived for 45 years. She moved to Stephenville in 2002. She was a member of the Church of Christ.

Survivors include: a daughter, Sherry Taylor and son-in-law, Larry Taylor of Stephenville; a grandson, Zack Taylor and his wife Leigh Ann of Stephenville; a sister, Loulee Clark of Gorman; brother Bob Huddleston and wife, Barbara of De Leon; and numerous nieces, nephews and friends.

She was also preceded by her daughter, Angela Jo "Angie" Brogdon on November 22, 2003; one sister Merle Holdridge and one brother Joe Huddleston.

Serving as pallbearers: Zack Taylor, Don Holdridge, Larry Taylor, Bill Clark, Mike Huddleston, Joe Bob Huddleston.

Bob Etheredge

Bob Etheredge, 84 of Gorman, passed away at this home Monday, February 26, 2007.

Services will be 2:00 p.m. Friday, at the Higginbotham Funeral Home Chapel with Richard Watson officiating. Interment will be at Oakland Cemetery.

Bob was born August 22, 1922 in Fisher County, Texas to Willy Samuel Etheredge and Ruth Bryan Etheredge. He married Jo Blount on June 23, 1944 in Rotan, Texas. He was a farmer and a welder and had worked for Birdsong Peanuts many years. He was a member of the New Hope Baptist Church.

He is survived by his wife, Jo Etheredge of Gorman; three sons, R. S. Etheredge and wife Linda of Perryton, Rick Etheredge and wife Sherry of San Angelo and David Etheredge and wife Joy of Fort Worth; two sisters, Tura Lou Duke of Boswell, OK and Faye Rinker of Snyder; ten grandchildren and eight great grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents, eight brothers and two sisters.

Visitation will be 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. on Thursday at the funeral home.

Herbert Henry Schneider

Herbert Henry Schneider, 87, died Tuesday, February 20, 2007 in Comanche, Texas.

Services were at 2:00 p.m. Saturday at the Redeemer Lutheran Church in Cisco with Pastor Matthew Brackman officiating. Interment was at 3:00 p.m. Sunday at Restland Cemetery in Iraan, Texas.

He was born February 10, 1920 in Shackelford County near Albany, Texas. He was a member of Redeemer Lutheran Church in Cisco. He was a veteran of World War II, having served in the U.S. Army in the 275th Engineering Battalion and participated in the Normandy Invasion, the Battle of France and the Battle of the Bulge.

He married Thelma Lee Eversole on March 15, 1946, she predeceased him in June 1989. Herbert was a drilling contractor in Iraan, Texas and retired in the Gorman area. On October 5, 1990 he married Lula Cooper Vermillion in Cisco, Texas.

He is survived by his wife, Lula Scheider of Gorman; one daughter, Barbara Schneider of Nashville, TN; one son, Marvis Schneider of Midland; two brothers, Ernest Schneider of Rockdale and Lawrence Schneider of Iraan; two sisters, Mildred McClish of Azle and Loretta Fuller of Florida and two granddaughters, Rachel and Sara Schneider. He was preceded in death by his parents, five brothers and one sister.

Memorials may be made to the Redeemer Lutheran Church in Cisco.

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NEW: Desdemona, 3-1 frame 2 story built 1872, 2651 sf., 2 car garage, range, ref. washer & dryer, water well, stg. bldg., paved road. App. 1 acre. \$65,000.
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: 10.3A near Duster Pecan Orchards. Excellent location. \$37,500 acre.
30 a m/l, water well, elec., barn, covered on 1000s of small pecan trees. \$2,500 acre.
NEW: 40A near Gorman, paved road, pasture, fenced, small cabin, water well, stg. bldg., sandy soil. \$2,750 A.
100 a west De Leon FM587, 3 - 1 1/2 - 2 brick. 1444 sq. ft., C/HA, 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
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- 100 A, w/4,961 sq. ft.(CAD) 5-4 1/2 2-story brick home, fireplaces, game room, office, 2-car garage, 2-car carport, underground sprinkler, swimming pool, deck w/hot tub, 2 ponds, pipe corrals, pecan & oak trees. [FS01] \$850,000
- 80 A, w/1,943sf(CAD) 3-2 brick home, barns and shed, 3 wells, stock pond, cross fences, steel pens, almost completed roping arena. [CD01] \$459,000
- 70 A, w/1,894sf(CAD) 3-2 brick home, metal roof, carport, fireplace, approx. 14 acres pecan orchard, both sides of Leon River, coastal, 2 reservoirs, 4 wells, 3 barns, pipe corrals, equipment, hunting. [BC01] \$396,500
- 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 [TC01] \$70,000
- 10 A, horse facility w/1676 Mobile home, approx. 2,600sf of barns and sheds, cross fenced into four pastures, highway frontage [KW01] \$125,000 REDUCED TO \$112,500
- 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 [AB01] \$2,500 per acre
- **SOLD** - 240 A, with pivot irrigation system, 2-stock tanks, approx. 7,000sf of barns and sheds, creek, hunting, minerals [LU01] \$798,500
- 158 A, rolling terrain, 2 tanks, well, coastal, native, cover for deer and turkey hunting, all weather roads, minerals, approx. 4 miles from Dublin [CS01] \$395,000
- 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. [LO01] \$442,500
- 140 A, recreational, cattle, or horse, creek running thru, waterwells, good fences, hunting deer, turkey, hogs, some farm eq. available, minerals negotiable, possible owner financing. [CSK01] \$350,000
- 100 A, with 5 stock tanks, waterwell, pipe corrals, good fences, improved varieties of coastal, native pasture, cultivation, and hunting. [MMS01] \$225,000
- 100 A, on Hwy 36, new parameter fences, solar powered waterwell, cross fences, wood, coastal, hunting [WH01] \$250,000
- 81A pecan orchard, approx. 900 improved variety trees, underground drip irrigation on, 9 wells, tractors, shaker, other equipment. [REMO1] \$326,000
- 60 A, stock tank, approx. 13 A wooded, coastal and hunting. [PO01] \$165,000
- Service Station, 150' on Hwy 377, 2 bays, 4 tanks, 7 pumps [WPH01] \$60,000
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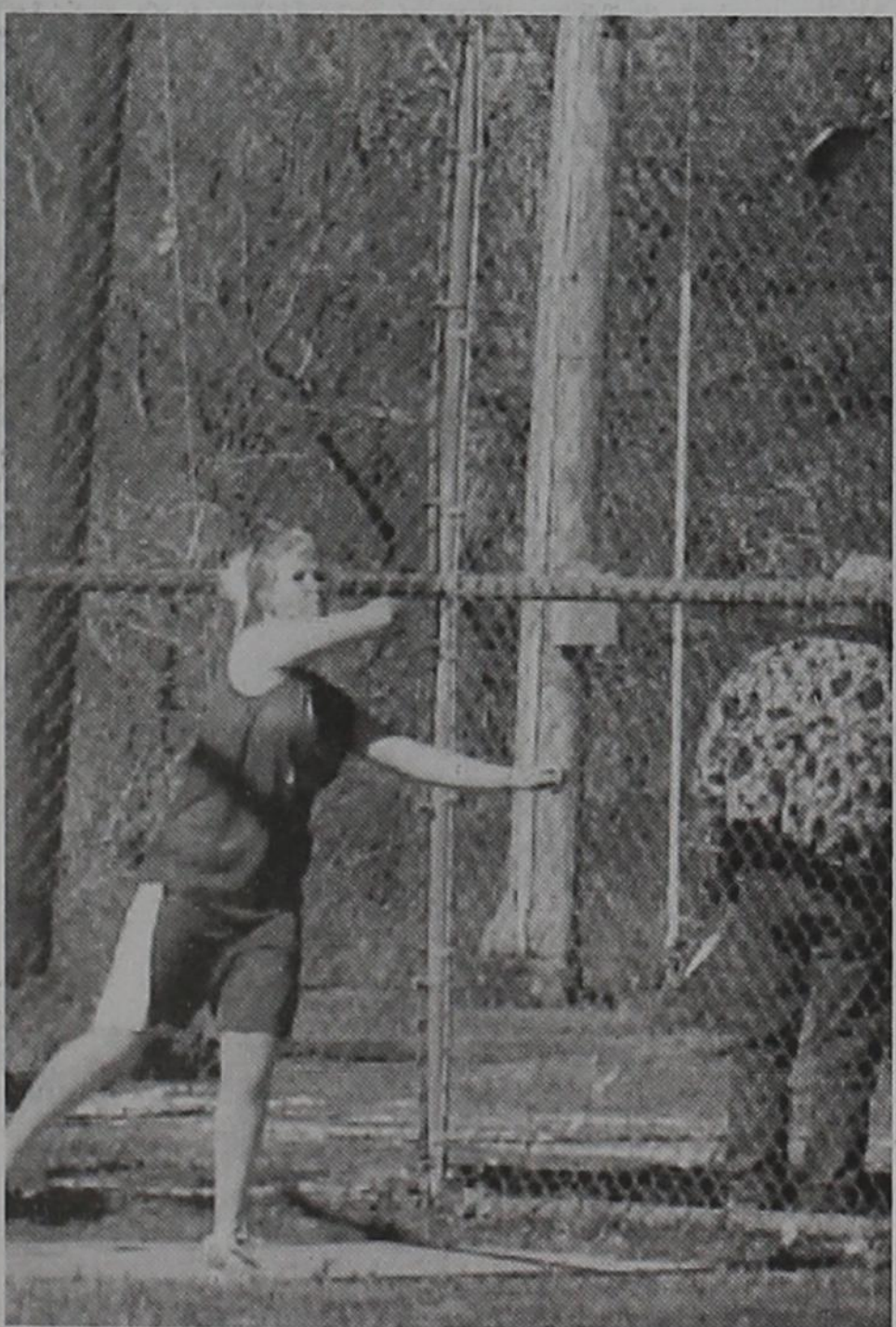
Brandy Carlton edges Brock on the first leg of the 4x800m relay. The lady Panthers took second in the event.



April Keaton ran strong in the 4x800m, and the distance relay.



Mary Powell anchors the distance relay with a 1600m run. The lady Panthers finished the event in 3rd Place.



Kimi Seaton launches her last throw, for a 4th Place finish at the W. A. Lewis Relays.

Super Notes

By David K. Perry
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I hope everyone made it through the windy weekend unscathed. We were in Dallas and it was just as bad there. I apologize for missing last week's paper, but I was sicker than I've been in a long time. I hope that none of you contracts whatever it was that I had. Every joint and internal organ in my body hurt and I ran a fairly constant fever between 101 and 102 for five days. Thank God it's gone and I'm feeling well once again! There are a lot of sick people out there still though and if you know any of them, please see that they get into see a doctor. They can help.

The last two weeks just seem like a blur after being sick, but I will try to put together a few thoughts for you. First, due to all the illness going around, please remind your children to wash their hands several times a day and not to eat or drink after anyone. If you or one of your children do get sick, drink plenty of water and get into see the doctor as soon as possible!

Important dates to remember:
3/1 JH Track @ Cross Plains
3/2 HS Track @ Cross Plains
3/5 OAP Festival @ Ranger 12:30pm Cheer Meeting @ 6:30
3/6 BB & SB @ Albany 4:00pm

DESDEMONA NEWS

BY VONNIE GUTHERY

First Baptist Church of Desdemona has a new pastor, Bro. Tim White of Bronte, Texas. Bro. Tim, his wife, Laura and son, Ryan moved into the Church Parsonage over the past weekend. We welcome this family to our Church and Community.

Desdemona Monthly Musical was held last Saturday night at the Community Center School Building. We was kinda short on musical groups, singers and visitors due to the terrible sand-storm that blew thru our area on Saturday. It was a rough day for everyone. We appreciate those musicians who came - also appreciate the ladies that donate food and drinks each month.

Richard and Ulenda Cofsky of Fort Worth spent the past weekend in Desdemona visiting with her mother, Dorothy Roberts.

"Happy Birthday" to a classmate and friend, Alla Rae (Friday) Kelly in Sealy, Texas. Alla Rae and this reporter was in the Class of 1951 in Desdemona High School.

Remember March 10 (Saturday) is the date for the Senior Citizen Dance at the Desdemona Community Center School Gym. Concession stand opens at 5:30 p.m. serving sandwiches, homemade pie and drinks. Buck Sutton and The City Limits of the Brownwood area provide the music for this dance. Come early to enjoy supper and have fellowship with the group before the dance begins at 7:00 p.m. Admission \$4.00 each for those who come to dance. Alcohol and Smoking not allowed. Visitors are welcome to attend.

Remember the sick and shut-ins with your cards and prayers. Colds and Flu season is not over - so stady well if possible.

Please contact this reporter with your weekly news. Your help will be appreciated, Thank you and have a good day, Vonnice.

KOKOMO NEWS

BY ZELDA JORDAN

That was a giant dust storm that came through this area on Saturday. I haven't seen anything like that in a long time, since back in the 1950s. And I hope that I don't see it again, but the weatherman says that we can expect more high winds and dust on Wednesday and Thursday. We need to be much in prayer for rain to help settle the dust and keep down the fire hazard. It is very frightening to hear of the grass fires around the area. Brings back the memories of the wildfire that swept through Kokomo on January 1, 2006.

Bro. Jim Haggard was the speaker at both services at the Kokomo Baptist Church on Sunday. His wife, Bobbie also attended both services. Other visitors were Jim and Donnie Rodgers of Gorman, Susie, Mykesha and Lariss Hampton, Chance Bryant, Kyle Bryant, Mr. and Mrs. Koonce, and Emily and Lance Browning of Graham, who were visiting with their grandparents, Woodrow and Helen Browning. "Happy Birthday" was sung to Michelle Snider, who was 2 years old, and Norma Webb. A beautiful medley of gospel songs was rendered by Glynda Bond on the organ.

Bro. Haggard brought two powerful messages. The Sunday morning message was "What Will take place after you are in Heaven", using scriptures from 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18, James 4:14-15, Revelation 22:12 and 1 Corinthians 3:11-15. What a wonderful time that will be for all who have accepted Jesus as Savior. The Sunday evening message was "What will happen on earth after the rapture" using scriptures from Revelation 13:8, 2 Peter 3:3-4, Matthew 24, and several other scriptures from Revelation. May I urge everyone who does not know Jesus Christ as Savior to seek Him and be saved. You really don't want to be left behind during the rapture to suffer the trials and tribulations that will follow. We don't know when the rapture will take place, or when we will pass away, so please make sure now that you will spend eternity in heaven. Eternity is forever and ever. If you don't have a church home, you will be welcome at Kokomo Baptist Church.

Members of the Kokomo Baptist Church had a wonderful time at their Valentine Dinner at ZJ's in Gorman on Thursday night. A large crowd attended and enjoyed the good food and fellowship.

Emily and Lance Browning of Graham visited during the weekend with their grandparents, Woodrow and Helen Browning. Their parents, Gary and Rebecca Browning came for them on Monday.

Bob and Beverly Phariss of Haskell visited with Larry and Betty Strube. Kay Snider and Justin Snider visited with LaVon Snider. LaVon visited with Ted and Charlotte Snider on Sunday.

Zelda Jordan and Daisy Slaton visited with Nancy Hendricks. Jimmy and Maggie Nelson, Cassie Brasher and Zelda Jordan met for lunch at ZJ's on Sunday for a belated birthday celebration for Jimmy.

"Happy Birthday" to my daughter-in-law, Cindy Jordan of Lubbock on March 3rd.



Crystal Thackerson running strong in the 4x800m relay.

3/7 Spring Pictures
March 5-9 Houston Stock Show-Lambs
March 1-3 Ranger Baseball Tournament

It is still important for you to contact legislators regarding facilities funding and request that they roll forward the existing debt allotment. Many school districts in Texas, including Gorman ISD, are depending on this money to build new facilities during the upcoming biennium. Congressman Keffer, Senator Frasier, Representative Eissler (Chairman of the House Education Committee), and Senator Shapiro (Chairman of the Senate Education Committee) are the main legislators to contact and register your support. Here are the addresses and phone numbers: The Honorable Rob Eissler, Room EXT E1 414, P.O. Box 2910, Austin, TX 78768, (512) 463-0797, (512) 463-0898 Fax; The Honorable Florence Shapiro, P.O. Box 12068, Capitol Station, Austin, Texas 78711, (512) 463-0108, Fax (512) 463-7579; The Honorable Troy Frasier, P.O. Box 12068, Capitol Station, Austin, Texas 78711 (512) 463-0124, fax: (325) 676-8060; The Honorable Jim Keffer, Room EXT E2.418, P.O. Box 2910, Austin, TX 78768, (512) 463-0656, (800) 586-4515 Toll-free, (512) 478-8805 Fax. It wouldn't hurt to write the Governor, the Lieutenant Governor, and the Speaker of the House as well: **Governor Rick Perry** - Office of the Governor - P.O. Box 12428, Austin, Texas 78711-2428, **Citizen's Opinion Hotline:** (800) 252-9600, Fax: (512) 463-1849; **Lt. Governor David Dewhurst** - Capitol Station - P.O. Box 12068, Austin, Texas 78711, 512-463-0001; **Speaker Craddick**-Room CAP 2W.13, P.O. Box 2910, Austin, TX. 78768 - (512) 463-1000 - (512) 463-7722 Fax. You can also email them from their respective websites online. All of you that are able should register to vote and make your opinion know to the legislators that represent you, not just about school matters, but any legislation that they consider that may affect you. After all, it is your government!

I didn't get to attend much last week, but I did get to see a little softball and baseball. We look good for this early in the season. I think we are going to be very competitive in both. Hopefully, I can tell you more about track next week. I am submitting some photos from this weekends track meet that Bob Powell sent to me. I think we will be competitive there as well.

Remember, it takes community involvement for a school to be successful and you are welcome to get involved at Gorman ISD anytime. This is your school; these are your children; and these children are your future! Your input is always welcome. Come help us shape the future.

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Heritage Manor News

By Ina Smith



What a wonderful blessing we received on Thursday when the Hinkle Family from Breckenridge came and sang for us. The group that sang consisted of Butch (the daddy), James (the teenager), Sarah (the daughter), and Paul (the son). Also coming were Roxanne (the mother) Amy, Lydia and Paul Jr. (Paul's wife and children). Their ministry is a very unique and special ministry to the elderly in Nursing Homes, Retirement Centers, Senior Centers and Churches. They travel 365 days a year coast to coast. In the last four years they had the opportunity to hold 3,114 services, visit 277,725 souls and travel over 500,000 miles across this great nation. Their ultimate goal is to hold 1,000 services and visit 100,000 souls in a year's time. They ask that we pray for them on reaching this goal. If you would like to learn more about the Hinkle family you can go to www.hinklefamily.org.

Everyone here at Heritage Manor would love for them to come daily, but they can't do that. I have scheduled them to come again in July. If you get the chance to go listen to them before July be sure and go listen to "God's Singing Telegram", The Hinkle Family.

We are looking forward to Spring. We have been outside a few times and it really makes us want to get out and do some gardening. We will be working outside as time and the weather permits. We would like to plant some new flowers in the patio area and in the front. If anyone has extra plants or bulbs you would like to share with us please let us know.

We really appreciate Amy Wood furnishing the beautiful and delicious cake for our Monthly birthday party on Monday. It was so good. Thanks Amy. We have no birthdays at this time in March.

We also appreciate Francis Warren for making each resident their name in crochet. Each one is truly a piece of art. Thank you Francis, everyone is so proud of them.

On Sunday, Imogene Norris' family took her to Z.J.'s for a birthday dinner. Those visiting with her were, Paula and Larry Morrow of Plains, Jeanna and Ronnie Pack of Carbon, James, Jo, and Jason Norris of Eastland, Lisa and Randy Lewis of Stephenville, Jodie, Donald, Matthew, and Nathan Majors and Lacy, Ronald and Gracie Majors of Gorman. Visiting Imogene here at Heritage Manor were Lance and Toni Morrow and children of Weatherford.

Visiting with Lottie Morris were Kay Snider, Rachel Tucker, Nelda Mauney, and Woodrow and Helen Browning.

Visiting with Lavona Sharp were Jerry Majors, Ronnie Ryon, and Jarryn Majors.

Some of Troy Scitem's visitors were Louise Tinkler of Abilene, Pat Brown, Tommy and LaVerne Carr, Johnny and Joann Scitem, Kerri, Kelsey and Nashton Guthery, and Gene and Carolyn Foster. LaVerne and Tommy took Troy out to the home place for a while on Saturday.

Freddie Rodgers visited with Don Estes and several other residents. Everyone always enjoys Freddie popping in for a visit.

Bobby Little, Jimmy and Verna Lee Little, Betty Little visited with Ima Boles. Ima's son Bill came on his birthday and took Ima to his home in Granbury for a visit with his children and grandchildren. This is the first time Ima had got to spend time with her 2 new great grandchildren, Lilly and Chad. Also attending were Bill's wife, Lois Ann, Abby Jo and Wesley Griffin and Blake and Dana Boles.

Le Roy Smith, Amber, Brandi, Cory and Joni of Joshua came and took Jelma Smith to the Dairy Queen for lunch. Johnny and Ina Smith joined them. Also visiting with Jelma were Donald and Pam Smith of Granbury and Jeff Smith of Eastland. Until next time....Ina

Senior Citizens News

Carol Ward

We gathered together the 21st on a beautiful day, but we, only had 27 present. We have such a good time in fellowship and food, I do wish more people would come out.

Barbara Bush called us to order and gave announcements and others gave input on topics of interest. Geraldene Wright gave the blessing of the food. I was so good to see her, had been a long time since she visited with us. She has done well after cataract surgery.

We were sorry to hear Willo Rice has been in the Hospital. Do hope she is much improved and home by now. We do miss her and John at the dinner.

We wish Opal Burton our best and also miss seeing her at the dinner. She is starting another round of treatments and seems to be doing fine.

My neighbor Betty Dennis had her other knee replaced in Stephenville. Hope all is going well and she will be home soon. I had both knees replaced, know all about it, no fun.

Ruth Porter fell and broke her leg. She is 92 and walks with a walker. Wynogene Smith, sees about her and takes her dinner from the center. Ruth used to come and eat with us till she became injured.

Betty Regian and I were at the baseball game on Saturday the 24th in all that awful wind. The dust didn't start till game nearly over. Betty went to use the restroom, a wind gust caught the door, and it knocked her down. She was lucky to not have a dislocated shoulder, could of been worse. Had to spend 2 days in Hospital, know she is glad to be home. Sue did frighten me.

They had game night the 22nd with only 10 present. Seems we just can't get a good crowd of people to come out. I've been missing due to various reasons. I always enjoy myself when there.

Hope all is well, and to see more of you at our functions.

TSU List Spring Honor Roll & Distinguished Students

The A Honor Roll and Distinguished Student list for the fall 2006 semester has been released at Tarleton State University. Dr. Gary Peer, provost and vice president of academic affairs at the university, released the names of student recognized.

Students listed on the A Honor Roll have a 4.0 grade point ratio (GPR) on a 4.0 system and are taking a minimum of 12 hours.

Distinguished Students include Freshman and Sophomores who have a minimum GPR of 3.25 with no grade lower than C, and Juniors and Seniors who have a minimum GPR of 3.50 with no grade lower than C, and are in good standing with the university.

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Distinguished Students

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A Honor Roll

De Leon - Marsha Miller, Amanda Morganstean, Shelly Stone, Nicole Morganstean and Jose Pacheco.

CJC Theatre Dept. To Present Play March 1-3



The Cisco Junior College Theatre Department will present *LOVES RIDES THE RAILS OR WILL THE MAIL TRAIN RUN TONIGHT?*, a melodrama by Morland Cary, on March 1-3 at the Hilton Theatre in Cisco. Cast members include (left to right): Dustin Collins (San Antonio), Holly Ann Wright (Gorman), Heath Norris (Hillsboro), Ashley Trentham (Nacoma), Ryan Wilkins (El Paso), Mayra Dean (Santa Anna), Matt Day (Brownwood), Laura Ann Cox (West), Anthony Espinosa (Aquilla), and Dillon Addison (Hico). The March 2 & 3 performances will be dinner theatre performances with dinner beginning at 6:00 p.m. and show at 7:00 p.m. Tickets are \$20, and reservations can be made by calling 254-447-5000 between 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. The March 1 performance is Student/Senior \$1 night where students with a school ID and seniors (60 years and older) can attend the play for \$1.



Holly Ann Wright of Gorman and Mayra Dean

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.

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Pig Tales From Hogtown

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It's that time again! The first Saturday of the month means 'Breakfast at the DAC'. Please join us this Saturday, March 3 from 7:00 A.M. until 10:00 A.M for a delicious breakfast and lots of visiting.

The Desdemona Activity Center will be having a fish fry on March 17th beginning at 5:00 P.M. 'Dr. Dan and the Band-Aids' will entertain us. This new group played and sang for us at our membership meeting in February and we enjoyed them so much The ladies of the community will be baking pies and cakes for a silent auction You all know what good cooks the ladies of Hogtown are! Remember that the 17th is St. Patrick's Day so wear green - we don't want anyone to get pinched by someone who is in the St. Paddy's Day spirit!

We are very excited to announce that the DAC will sponsor a Craft Show this spring. All you crafters get ready to strut your stuff! The show and sale will be April 20 and 21st. Our large, beautiful building has room for many booths, which will rent for \$30.00. There is also space for booths under our covered porch on the east side of the building. To rent a space or for more information, call one of the following numbers: 758-2610, 758-2440, 758-2548 or 758-2522.

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Carol Pell

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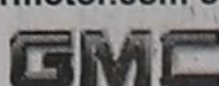
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