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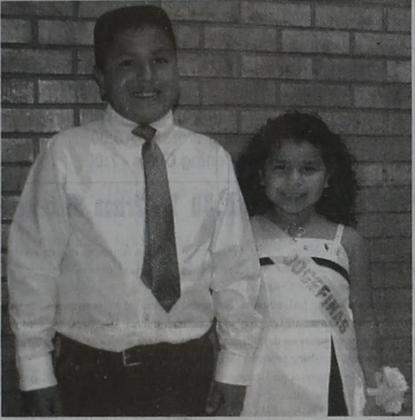
# Cortney Shirley and Kayle Nichols Named Miss and Little Miss Gorman



2010 Little Miss Gorman - Kayle Nichols escorted by her father, Josh Nichols



2010 Miss Gorman - Cortney Shirley escorted by Tyler Johnson



Little Miss Gorman First Runner Up Crystal Gonzales escorted by Isaiah Landa

Miss Gorman and Little Miss Gorman contestants joined with parents and friends at the Gorman High School Auditorium on Saturday night at 7 p.m. To named the new Little Miss Gorman and Miss Gorman.

The money raised by these girls amounted to \$4,980.70

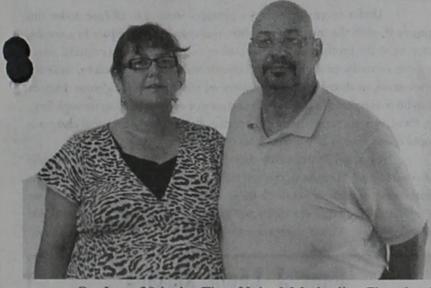
Miss Gorman for 2010 is Cortney Shirley, escorted by Tyler Johnson; First Runner Up was Viridiana Maldonado, escorted by Drew Flannery. Second Runner Up was Luisa Silva, who could not be at the presentation. Little Miss Gorman for 2010 is Kayle Nichols, escorted by her father, Josh Nichols. First Runner Up was Crystal Gonzales, escorted by Isaiah Landa.

Drawing winners were:

\$100 Packaged Beef - Chamber of Commerce - Kathy Ervin \$100 Groceries - Lion's Club - Perla Maldonado Cortney Shirley Gift Certificate Package - Becky Swanner Virdiana Maldonado - Wal-Mart Gift Card - Jose Maldonado



# WELCOMES HEW PASTOR



On June 20th the First United Methodist Church of Gorman welcomed new Pastor Paul Bellinger and Co-pastor Debbie Bellinger. This is Paul's second assignment. He comes from Community of Faith Mission Church in Ballinger. He was recently awarded the Newgate 2010 Award for his Ministry with the incarcerated youth at the Ron Jackson Unit in Brownwood.

His wife Debbie is excited about her first assignment here at Gorman FUMC.

The Bellingers plan tomake contact with all the members on the Church roll.

On Sunday, August 1 the Gorman FUMC will be

starting Sunday School at 10 a.m. The Bellingers invited anyone and everyone who

does not currently attend a church service on Sunday morning to come worship at the Methodist Church at 11 a.m.

Paul and Debbie look forward to meeting everyone in Gorman.

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To everyone of you who worked in the heat to haul tables and chairs, serve food or drink, deliver food, or help clean up, your efforts are deeply appreciated. To all of you who cooked and or baked and brought food thank you so much. To all of the donors, whether business or indvidual, who donated items for the silent auction, please know it was very appreciated. And to those who helped organize and conduct the silent auction - thank you too. Every volunteer no matter where you were at, thank you so much.

To everyone who attended the meal and to those who purchased auction items, many thanks to you.

Thank you to our wonderful entertainment, Dr Dan and the Band Aids, it was great!!!

Our Gorman community is truly one in a million when it comes to helping another! If you helped in anyway please know how very much it was appreciated. We want everyone to know that every effort is very important.

Committee of the Bob Hammontree Benefit

# Suit Up, it's Hero Time!

Though no longer in the regular Monday night routine, CIA has continued with it's fun-filled, energized activities. Just this past Saturday, kids came back to join in on the fun for a great Movie Night filled with games, food and smiles all around. If you are between the ages of 6 and 12 and didn't make it, you definitely missed out. But, have no fear! You're chance to be a part of some extreme hero action, is coming real soon. This coming week, June 28-July 2, Firstfruits Christian Fellowship is prepared to welcome you to Hero Head Quarters! We're going to take you back into awesome Bible times and find some of the coolest unnamed heroes in all of history. Get ready to experience serious fun with music, food, stories, games, crafts, and awesome people. If you're between the ages of 4 and 12, come to VBS at Firstfruits Christian Fellowship this June 28-July 2 from 6pm-8:30pm. Invite your friends, bring a smile, and above all, don't miss out!

# Letter To The Editor

Saturday evening was everything that we love about Gorman! Bob and Brenda Hammontree have meant so much to our town, always supporting local causes and projects, and when the opportunity was there to say "Thank You", the town turned out in force, the guys who manned the barbecue pit, the cooks and the bakers, the servers, the musicians. And the donations to the silent auction -- Didn't you love the array of have a part in the project, and I know the Hammontrees felt that love and concern. Way to go, Gorman. We're so proud of

Bob and Caro Boswell



2009 Miss Gorman Mallory May 2009 Little Miss Gorman - Suellyn Hunter

Reminder: Trash pick up is Tuesday morning, please have your trash bins to the curb no later than 7 am. Also, all trash must be inside the poly cart with the lid closed or it will NOT be picked up. DO NOT overfill your poly cart(s) and watch for heavy materials, the weight of your bin is important also. Gorman City Commission & Allied Waste/Republic Services

Due to the current economical situation monthly rates will be increased effective August 1, 2010.

Gorman City Commission

# Saturday, July 10th - Food Drive For The Gorman Food Bank

The Kickboxing Class in Gorman will be walking all over town and picking up canned or non-parishable items. The teams with the most pounds of food will be rewarded. So help these ladies workout and bring in the most pounds. Please make it a items, from the largest to the smallest? Everyone wanted to challenge!! You can leave your food outside you door or by a front gate. If you live inside city limits but think its to far just give me a call 734-2257.

THANK YOU, JULIE CLARK AND LADIES

## **Obituaries**

#### **Christine Woods Hammontree**

Archer City, Christine Woods Hammontree, age 84, of Gorman, Texas, formerly of Archer City, passed away June 26, 2010 in Wichita Falls.

Services were held at 1:00 p.m. Monday, June 28, 2010, at Aulds Funeral Home with Verner Hayhurst of Archer City officiating. Interment followed at 2:45 p.m. in the Riverview Cemetery in Seymour, Texas under the direction of Aulds Funeral Home.

Christine was born November 14, 1925 in Baylor County, Texas to Vollie Woods and Blanche Brown Woods. She graduated from Seymour High School.

She and Pete Hammontree were married December 8, 1943 in Seymour. He preceded her in death on October 8, 1977.

Christine was a resident of Archer County from 1956 until 2000 when she moved to Gorman. She had been employed as the librarian at the Archer Public Library from 1976 until 1998. She was a member of the Gorman Church of Christ where she was an active member of the Ladies Bible Class.

Survivors include one son, Bobby Hammontree and wife, Brenda of Gorman; one grandson, Shane Hammontree of Lubbock; one brother, Don Woods and wife, Dona of Olney, Texas; a sister-by-choice, Juanita Sheppard of Archer City; and several nieces and nephews.

Christine was also preceded in death by one son, David in 1944; one daughter, Donna Jean on March 12, 1994; and one sister, Nadine Davis.

The family suggests memorials to the Archer Public Library, P.O. Box 1574, Archer City, Texas 76351.

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The City of Gorman will be accepting bids for new lighting system in the City Office building @ 116 S Kent St. Bids will also be accepted through July 15 unitl 5:00p.m. and opened @ the Commission meeting starting @ 5:50 p.m.

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ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS: Homestead Nursing and Rehab of Gorman is taking applications for an evening Dining Room monitor. This position would be perfect for a retire, college student or someone available a few hours in the evening. Please apply in person to Lynn Porter, Administrator. FNC.

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### G. W. "Stub" Poynor

Funeral services for G. W. "Stub" Poynor were held on Tuesday, June 22, 2010 at 11:00 a.m. at Prater-Lampton-Mills &

Coffey Chapel with Bro. Lynn Tomlinson officiating and burial following in the Mt. Olivet Cemetery. G. W. "Stub" passed away Friday, June 18, 2010, in Hugo, Oklahoma at the age of 92.

G. W. "Stub" Poynor was born December 5, 1917, in Gorman, Texas, to William Morgan "Jud" and Zelia Ora (Smith) Poynor. He married Alma Faye Hill on April 1, 1939, in Gorman, TX. They moved to this area from Abilene, TX about 45 years ago.

He worked as a civillian barber for the troops during WWII. Stub was a professional baseball player for the Abilene BlueSox's. He loved working with children, especially in sports. While coaching little league his team won many regional and district championships. Stub was known internationally in the game fowl sport and was elected to the Game Fowl Hall of Fame. He enjoyed the sport and won many derbys on the major circuits with his partner Sarah Humphries, it was his true passion in addition to baseball.

Stub was known nationally for his dog training skills and had many articles written about him. In the summer he and the family spent time in Canada while he trained the bird dogs and as fall approached they would make there way back thru the states to their home. Stub won the Border International championship and the Field Trial championships in Texas, Missouri, Kentucky, and Arkansas and had more dogs qualified for national championship at Grand Junction, TN than any trainer on the circuit. Stub did his best in everything he did. He was an expert shot and enjoyed hunting, epsecially quail and dove.

He was preceded in death by his parents; his wife Alma Poynor in 2001; nine brothers and sisters, Dessa Lee Poynor, Ava Nell Poynor Mason, William Euell Poynor, B.N. Poynor, Jesse Doyl Poynor, Era Margaret Poynor Maupin, Ira Cecil "Bawly" Poynor, Lela Dell Poynor Bennett, Ivy Norman "Sibe" Poynor.

Stub is survived by two sons, James Larry Poynor and wife Brenda of Longview, TX, Gary Dale Poynor and wife Nancy of Corning, CA; one daughter, Kimberly Stansell and husband Johnny of Talco, TX; two brothers-in-law, Kenneth Hill of Eastland, TX, Rex Hill of Hamilton, TX; one sister-in-law, Billie Lewis of Rising Star, TX; six grandchildren, Ricky Poynor, Chelle Cuevas, Kerri Hawkins, Scott Poynor, Misty Justice, Erin Stansell; eight great-grandchildren.

ACCEPTING BIDS: Gorman EDC will be accepting bids for the property located on Pershing St at corner of Pershing and Roosevelt. The Gorman EDC reserves the right to refuse any and all bids. There is a minimum of \$5000.00 on the bid. Please submit all bids to Gorman EDC, P.O. Box 236, Gorman, Texas 76454, Bidding will close on July 14, 2010.



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ACCEPTING BIDS: Gorman ISD is currently accepting bids for the milk products for the 2010-2011 school year. All bids for milk products are due in my office by July 9, 2010.

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S/E Gorman: 60 A, good sandy soil, some coastal, good fences, elec., nice pond site.

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# **Pig Tales From Hogtown**

I must start off this week with a correction - the summer hours for the library at Desdemona are Tuesday through Thursday from 3:00 PM until 5:00 PM. And on Tuesday evening from 6:00 PM until 8:00 PM. We received some new books this week including "Running Wild" which is a photographic tribute to the NFL's greatest runners. If you like football, this is the book for you. We, also, received a set of 3 books about the Civil War. What better way to spend a hot afternoon than reading a good book!

This Saturday, July 3, is 'Breakfast at the DAC' from 7:00 AM until 10:00 AM. Hope you can join us.

Johnny Johnson and the Memory-Makers will be at the DAC on Friday, July 9th with more great music - put it on your calendar.

> Welcome, Becca. See you in Desdemona! Carol Pell

#### "On The Wilder Side"

Have you ever gardened while wearing a pair of white gloves? Did you notice that the mud never gets glovy? Of course not... the gloves never wear off on the mud; instead, the mud always wears off on the gloves... the mud never gets glovy. 1Cor 15:33 says: "Do not be misled: Bad company cor-

rupts good character." When a good kid at school becomes friends with a bad kid at school... how often does the bad kid mimic the good kid in his good deeds? It is possible, but honestly, it doesn't happen very often at all. Instead, the good kid slowly starts taking up the bad habits / actions of his bad friend. Have you ever had a Christian friend in a relationship with a non Christian? I know that in my past experiences, almost

every time I have tried to warn my Christian friend about dating non Christians, they always tell me the same thing... "They'll change" or "I'll convert them". Unfortunately the non Christian usually converts the Christian to their non Christian ways. I'm not saying that we need to stay away from every non

Christian... Paul said that would be impossible (1 Cor 5:10). We go to school, work, and shop with them, and we try to bring them to Christ by building evangelistic relationships with them. We are constantly surrounded by non believers and would have to leave the world to get away from them.

One good rule of thumb is this: review and examine your relationships. What is the purpose of each individual one and where does Christ fit into that purpose? If Christ isn't at the center of every one of your relationships, then who or what is?

> Jason Wilder Gorman Church of Christ

**Gorman Church of Christ Meeting Times** Sunday Morning Bible Class - 10:00 Sunday Morning Worship - 10:45 Sunday Evening Worship - 6:00 Wednesday Evening Class - 7:00

### Plea Bargain Nets Man 30 Yr. Prison Sentence

Robert Mesa, Jr., 29, formerly of Abilene, is now an inmate awaiting transfer to state prison to serve a (30) thirty year prison sentence for Engaging in Organized Criminal Activity.

Presiding Judge Steven R. Herod sentenced Mesa to prison in the 91st District Courtroom of Eastland County on June 24, 2010 after Mesa entered a plea of guilty to the offense alleged in the indictment. Mesa also had a felony charge resulting from an earlier drug arrest in Taylor County.

Mesa's arrest and charges resulted from a February 2008 traffic stop by the Ranger Police Department. Mesa was not a passenger on that traffic stop nor had he been physically present in Eastland County during that time but information gathered from that traffic stop implicated him and others in a vast cocaine ring. The Eastland County Criminal District Attorney's Office worked closely with Narcotics Agents from the Texas Department of Public Safety in Abilene in developing an organized crime case.

12 individuals were arrested as a result of the investigation. This was the third major narcotics investigation in the past year stemming from an Eastland County arrest, that culminated with multiple statewide arrests and

Under recent Texas law, a person commits an offense under this category if, with the intent to establish, maintain, or participate in a combination or in the profits of a combination or as a member of a criminal stree gang, he commits or conspires to commit unlawful manufacture, deliver dispensation, or distribution of a controlled substance or dangerous drug, or unlawful possession of a controlled substance or dangerous drug through forgery, fraud, misrepresentation, or deception. Venue for the criminal charges is proper in any county in which at least one act occurred.

Criminal District Attorney Russ Thomason prosecuted the case and commented, "Thanks to the relentless efforts of our local and state law enforcement officials to eradicate those who continue to try and poison our community with drugs, our office was given an opportunity to put this one and others away. Mesa was represented by attorney Don Wilson of Abilene.

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By Linda Neeley, Chair, Carbon High School 2010 Reunion



CARBON HIGH SCHOOL'S FIRST REUNION 1965 Carbon High School Reunion

Recently I found some information concerning, what I believe to be, Carbon High School's first reunion. According to the article, the first homecoming was in 1965 and Euell and Jenoise Allison were in charge of the event. With the help of Arduth Been and Vesthia (Betty) Greer a list of former students was compiled and invitations were mailed. Ex-students came from places in Texas as far away as Odessa, Houston, Graham, Monahans, San Antonio, Fort Worth, Abilene, Midland, Waco, Austin, Sweetwater, Dallas, Levelland, San Angelo, and Amarillo. From out of state Idaho, Arizona, New Mexico, Colorado, Oklahoma, California and Nebraska were represented.

A total of 1,058 ex-students, including wives, husbands, and children were present. The oldest couple present was Rob and Fannie Brown, who were students in 1895. Mr. and Mrs. Brown came from Levelland, Texas. I have been unable to find a list of all 1,058 attendees but I did find a list of former students who attended classes at Carbon School prior to 1920 that I would like to share with you.

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1902	Fannie (McMillan) Lockhart
1902	W. S. Poe
1902	Birdie (Lyerla) Reid
1903	John Guy
1906	L. I. Tucker
1907	Ira Tucker
1907	Mrs. C. J. Lovell
208	Mrs. Wilburn Scott
09	Edwin Allison
1909	Joe Anderson
1909	Lee Anderson
1910	Derrick (Mayberry) Erminey
1910	A. K. and Bess (Beaty) Dinwiddie
1910	Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Cox
1911	Mr. and Mrs. Percy G. Cox
1912	Tom and Leafy(Lowe) Boxton
1913	C. S. and Mae (Beaty) Eldridge
1913	Berry Greenwood
1913	C. H and Viola (Guy) Boles
1913	W. T. and Lela (Busbee) Spratling
1914	Henry Collins
1914	Eva (Pierce) Curry
1914	Guy and Anne Martin
1914	Mrs. Scott Nobles
1914	Earl and Velma (Dillon) Norris
1914	Henry and Artie (Miller) Norris
1914	San L. Webb
1916	E. F. and Addie (Duncan) Bender
1916	Mrs. Brady Boggs (Lillian Liles)
1916	Cloyd and Sally (Tate) Bowden
1916	W. R. Buzbee
1916	Ora (Files) Rankin
1916	Jewel (Vaughn) Jackson
1916	Clifton and Frankie (Knox) Jarrett
1915	Myrtle (Chambers) Waddle
1916	Faye (White) Ware
1918	T. E. Boyett
1918	Willard Boyett
1918	Dan Boatwright
1918	Mr. and Mrs. Bill Carter
1918	Otis Knox
1916	Lola Mae (Rayburn) Pierce
1919	C. M. and Obera (Buzbee) Adams
1920	M.H. and Erra (Phelps) Byrd
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Glenn Justice was elected to be president of the 1970 event. There has been an all-school reunion (homecoming) every five years since the first one in 1965. The next one will be Saturday, July 10, and I hope to see many Carbon ex-students in attendance.

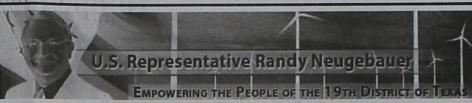
Mollie Medford

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#### NEUGEBAUER STATEMENT IN SUPPORT OF MEDICARE FIX FOR PATIENTS AND DOCTORS

WASHINGTON, DC - Congressman Randy Neugebauer (R-TX) issued the following statement this evening after voting in favor of H.R. 3962, legislation to stop a Medicare reimbursement cut to doctors: "This long overdue fix will help maintain access to health care for seniors who need it most by reversing the 21 percent cut in reimbursements to doctors who provide care for Medicare patients that went into effect June 1.

"Unlike previous versions, this is a stand-alone bill that is paid for and won't add to the growing federal deficit or increase taxes

"While Congress will need to act on this issue again because this is only a 6-month extension, Congress needed to act and get a fix put in place so that seniors continue to have access to their doctors. Congress should have prevented this cut from taking effect in the first place, but at least the Majority finally brought forward a bipartisan bill to reverse it that will be signed into law."

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NOTE: This "Doc Fix" would provide a 2.2 percent increase in reimbursement levels for physicians for six months through November 2010.

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# **Happenings At FBC!!**

Equip! Study the Bible to put on the full armor of God so you may be ready and equipped to share Jesus! Mark your calendars:

WEDNESDAYS: 6:30pm Youth - Bring your friends!

July 10th - 8:00am - Brotherhood Breakfast, please come to enjoy terrific food & fellowship.

July 10th - 8:00am - Garage Sale @ FBC - All donations go toward Youth Camp.

July 10th - "Kickboxing Ladies" walking around town picking up Can Food for Food-bank!

Summer Camp: Youth is 7/12 to 7/16 & Kids is 7/26 to 7/29 - Bring donations to Church Office.

Children's Sermon: Liz showed the children her "library card" and explained how to use it. She can check out books, dvd's, cd's, etc. Anyone can get one. This paints a picture of the family of God. Anyone can be a part of it, we are all children of God thru faith, we are one in Christ, we are the family of God. It is free to everyone- accept Jesus, believe in Jesus, confess your sin and receive the gift of God, eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen!

FBC Praise Band: Three beautiful songs lifted our spirits - the midst of our Lord is beyond the music and His majesty pours down like rain, God knows our needs and our prayers even when we can't speak. Glory to God!

Bro. Barry's Message: "Camo- Christian" - Romans 12:1&2 .......Bro. Barry was getting ready to go hunting and he felt very excited. That was until his buddy, Ronson, came by the night before and told him to bathe with this "Scent Away" stuff, wear this "Unscented Deoderant", and these certain clothes & boots. To top it off they had to leave before day break. My goodness, it takes a lot of effort and planning to camouflage yourself in the wild. Is there any comparison to the children of God and the world today? The answer to this Nation's many problems is for Christians to stand out and be different! Is Sunday morning the extent of your religious and spiritual life?

LIVING A LIFE OF EXCELLENCE:

I. Requires a Committed Discipline. - If you will prove to be a dynamic Christian in the last days you must know right from wrong. Are you willing to put it all aside to do right in God's eyes?

II. Requires Direction. - When obedience is lacking and you are tempted to be led away life won't work and things won't fit.

III. Requires a Decision. - Jesus said it's better to be cold or hot, lukewarm is no good. You face many questions - will you choose to be obedient, think good thoughts, say no to drugs, say no to premarital sex, be a good friend, share the love of God, and many more. You cannot camouflage yourself from the sight of Jesus, He sees inside you and Jesus deserves an answer.

Decide to Decide for Christ Jesus!!! "BE ODD FOR GOD". Live for God! Lead people to the Lord! You decide where you spend eternity. If you are reading this and you have not accepted Jesus Christ as your Lord and Savior please call Bro. Barry, ask Bro. Barry to talk with you about being saved or just ask him to pray with you, just call (254) 734-2420.

We welcome back members Jim & Karen Burleson, and we welcome new members Temi Nichols, and Brittany Rudel to our fellowship. Our Worship Service begins at 11:00AM on Sunday mornings, please come and join us! 1X100

Remember: God loves you like no one else! Email us at fbcgorman@hotmail.com

### FBC Youth Puppet Team Performs at Kokomo & Liberty Baptist Revivals

Pictured are Lacy Wilson, Alaina Swanner, Rachel Tucker, Kimi Seaton and JC Whitten

## Senior Citizens News

By Carol Ward

We enjoyed a get together of nineteen people for our weekly lunch on the 23rd of June. We have been missing several of our regulars on trips and I guess no one wants to cook in the heat. I sure don't, but get by the easiest way I can. No heavy cooking in the summer, just heats up your house. I try to cook some at the Center. We have enjoyed some good sandwiches for a change.

Wilburn Overstreet was here on his own, no one had to drive him. So good to see him looking great. He came early and played 42 with some of the ladies. I guess thats our new game day on dinner day. They usually stay and play after the meal is over also. Wilburn gave the blessing for us all. Always has good inspiring words for us.

Our meal consisted of B-B-Q and Tuna fish sandwiches, potato chips, pinto beans, broccoli cheese soup by Betty Regian, so good and corn bread. Also a good corn casserole by Beth Shirley, green beans and potatoes, Spinach salad and lots of relishes including olives, pickles, tomates and green onions. Dessert was cool whip and fruit pink stuff, caramel cake, brownies and vanilla ice cream.

Daisy Slaton's daughter, Bennie Gail was her from Alabama. They all met her plane in Abilene on the 20th. They enjoyed tow days visiting at her daughter, Sunny's home. All had a big lunch together at the Town Crier restaurant in Abilene.

My family and I had a big day in Abilene on the 28th. I go eveyr few months to get my Meds at Dyess Base. So all the grandkids and my daughter Becky, the driver, came along. they all did some shopping at the Mall, while I sat and people watched. We all at lunch at Red Lobster, Great!! We enjoyed the day, stayed cloudy, so was cool. I didn't buy a thing, didn't have what I wanted. I did find a cotton dress but thirty dollars, so passed on that one.

I just found out Betty Regian's son, Steven is in the hospital at Abilene. He had some surgery and not doing too good. I do hope and pray he can recover. She is there with him. So will miss her at our dinner on the 30th. She is such a help to me, still get around like a teenager.

Hope all is well and see you soon, Carol. P.S.: I forgot to mention Kendra and Ryan Wright will go to Orlando, Florida the end of July. Ryan won the trip at his work, so finally a honeymoon! He is such a salesman, have fun!!!

By Vonnie Guthery

First Baptist Church of Desdemona had very good attendance last Sunday. Approximately seventy-two attended to hear Charlie Johnson bring the message for the morning service. Visitors came from Lubbock, Fort Worth, Weatherford, Brownwood, San Angelo, Stephenville, etc. Charlie's wife, Jana is the daughter of Doug and Sammie (Powers) Corley of Lubbock and the granddaughter of the late Sam and Leota Powers.

Desdemona Monthly Musical was held last Saturday night at the Community Center. A large group of musicians and singers attended. Some from Moran, Breckenridge, Ranger, Olden, Eastland, Gustine, Comanche, Dublin, Rising Star, May, Gordon and De Leon. We appreciate these that attend each month and the visitors too. Also appreciate the ladies of our Community that donate food each month to the Concession Stand. Next Musical will be on Saturday, July 24th. This is a "SMOKE FREE" environment and the admission is "FREE". Visitors are

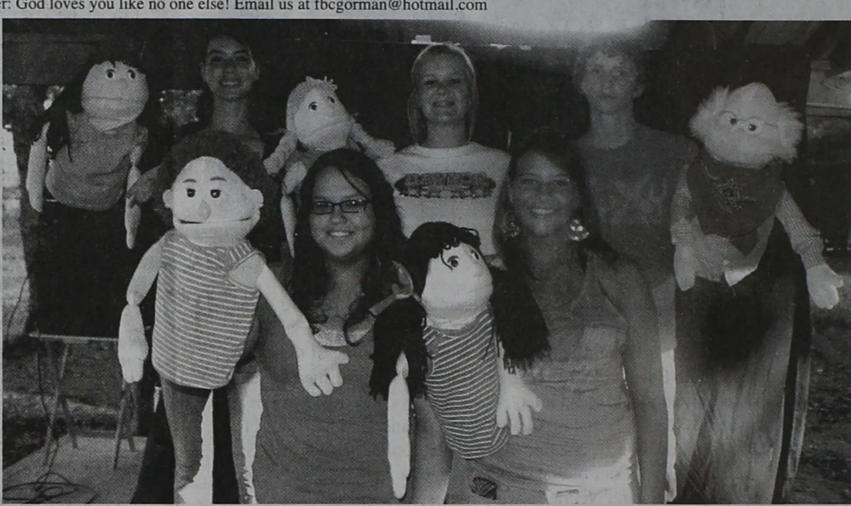
Iris June (Reid) Townsend, 84, of Baton Rouge, Louisiana passed away. Survivors include her children and grandchildren. Preceded in death by her husband, Bill Townsend; her parents, Ford and Myrt (Reed) Reid; brother, Phil Reid and sister, Billie Reid. The Reid family are former residents of Desdemona where all their children attended school. Iris June graduated from Desdemona with the Class of 1942. Friends of Desdemona sends sincere sympathy to this family.

Betty Duke was in Abilene on Monday for a checkup from recent eye surgery. Visitors with Humpy and Betty Duke during the past weekend were Ronda James of Whitney and Rodney Duke of Pantego.

Happy July 4th to all of our friends and neigh-

bors.

Have a great day, Vonnie.



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