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Gorman GROW Hosts 1st Annual Christmas Tour of Homes

The newly-formed community club, Gorman GROW, will be hosting a Christmas Tour of Homes in the Gorman area on Sunday, December 10. The club wishes to extend the invitation to everyone to come and enjoy this new event. The tickets are \$5 and children under 10 are free when accompanied by an adult. The tour begins at 2 PM and will continue until 5 PM. There will be a reception at the Methodist Church where tickets and maps will be available, along with refreshments. Homes on the tour include: Mr/Mrs Jim Curlee, Mr/Mrs Bob Boswell, Mr/Mrs James Miears, and Ms. Becky Smith. Also included will be the sanctuary of the Methodist Church, for a time of meditation and reflection upon the Christmas season and the Reason for the Season.

Please note that you do not have to start at the Methodist Church. You may begin at any house on the tour at anytime from 2-5 PM. Tickets will be available at each home from the hostesses. If you have questions you may call Lori Dodd at 734-3637 or Dane Gressett, Peyton Vaughn, Veronica Seaton, Melissa Osborne or any member of Gorman GROW.

Gorman GROW Community Club

The Gorman GROW Community Club held its monthly meeting on November 20, 2000. Board of Directors and Officers were elected as follows: President, Peyton Vaughn; Vice-President, Dane Gressett; Secretary, Melissa Osborne; Treasurer, Bill Miears; Board Member, Curly Lipson; and Board Member, Veronica Seaton.

The next meeting of the Gorman GROW will be on Monday, December 18, 2000, at 6:00 p.m. at the Senior Citizens Center. All previous attendees are encouraged to attend this meeting as you are considered a current member of the club. This will be a pot luck dinner so everyone bring a covered dish and come join us.

Anyone who is interested in becoming a member of this club, please feel free to contact one of the Board members or come to our next meeting.

Please remember that we are sponsoring the Tour of Homes on December 10th. See you there!

Gorman PD To Hold 2nd Annual Project Give

The Gorman Police Department is getting ready for the 2nd Annual Project Give. They will be accepting gifts of new toys, clothes or money. These contributions will be distributed among those who are not able to purchase these extras for the holidays. If you would like to make a contribution or donation to this cause you may simply drop it off at the city office. If you know of someone, or if you are someone who would appreciate the assistance, please notify the City Office, or Police Department. Or feel free to mail in the information for the family in need with the ages and sizes. The office phone number is 254-734-2317 and the mailing address is P. O. Box 236, Gorman, Tx 76454.

Juan DeLaTorre Completes Basic Training

Juan DeLaTorre has completed Basic Training for the United States Marine Corps. He graduated November 22 at San Diego, California.

He graduated from Gorman High School in 1995.

He is the son of Rafael and Margarita DeLaTorre of Gorman.



LIGHTING CONTEST ENTRY FORM

The Gorman Chamber of Commerce is sponsoring a Christmas Lighting Contest. The Contest is open to all Residents in a 5 mile radius of Gorman. Entry deadline is Thursday, December 14. Judging will be on Friday, Dec. 15th. No Entry Fee. Prizes will be awarded for First Place - \$75; Second Place - \$50; and Third Place - \$25.00.

Entry Form

Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____

Directions to House _____

Forms need to be turned in at City Office

Local Students Included in Who's Who

A total of 14 students from this area are included in the 24th Annual Edition of *Who's Who Among American High School Students, 1999-2000*.

Who's Who, published by Educational Communications, Inc., Lake Forest, Illinois, is the largest recognition program and publication in the nation honoring high achieving high school students. Students are nominated by high school principals and guidance counselors, national youth groups, churches and educational organizations based upon students' academic achievement and involvement in extra-curricular activities. Traditionally, 99% of *Who's Who* students have a grade point average of 'B' or better and 97% are college bound.

Local students selected include:
Carbon: Kristal D. Brown, Michael F. Fischer, Brittany Rogers, Chris N. Weaver, Kristin M. Copeland, Angela M. Johnson, Catherine E. Warren
Desdemona: Courtney R. Koonce, Talisha Rogers
Gorman: Thurman L. Jay, III, Beatriz A. Ramirez, Colton Van Dusen, Jamie Maupin, Kristin Turner.

School Menu Week of December 4

Breakfast
Monday--Cereal, milk, juice
Tuesday--Cinnamon rolls, milk, juice
Wednesday--PopTarts, Teddy Grahams, milk, juice
Thursday--Cereal, animal cookies, milk, juice
Friday--Biscuits, sausage, milk, juice
Lunch
Monday--Ham sandwiches, lettuce, tomatoes, veg. soup, peanut butter bars
Tuesday--Chicken strips, creamed potatoes, green beans, chocolate cake
Wednesday--Taco salad with cheese, refried beans, fruit
Thursday--Hamburgers, fries, peanut butter bars
Friday--Hot dogs with chili, pork-n-beans, chips, sugar cookies

Keeping Up With Friends

Thanksgiving Holiday visitors with Ralph and Marge Hudson were his sister, Mary Gottlieb of Fredricksburg, his brother, Bob Hudson of Sparta, Missouri, a niece, Mr. and Mrs. Bud Ferguson and Jason of Stonewall, Lynn Bloom of Dallas, Patricia Hudson of Dallas, Kay Ann Craddock of Plano, Letty Craddock of Ranger and Estelle Craddock of Gorman.

Visiting Saturday with Doyle Lynn and Patsy Clark of Comfort at the Clark and Webb lake home on Lake Leon were Dr. Phil Webb of Kerrville, Corby Jung of Howard Payne University in Brownwood, Cara La Ray Jung of

Christmas Parade of Lights

Parade of Lights to be held on Friday, December 8th in downtown Gorman. We welcome all entries with lights. Santa will also be riding in the parade, the parade will begin a 7:00 p.m. You must check-in with Parade officials by 6:00 p.m. at the Gorman School. Judging will take place during the parade. Parade sections include: Individuals, Floats, Riders and Horses, Antique Cars, Local Businesses, Vehicles, Walking Groups, Antique Tractors, Horse Drawn, Local Organizations and Out of Town Participants.

Anyone wishing to set up booths please contact George Simmons at 254-734-2859. There will be no charge for booths. For Parade entries please contact Jud Maxfield at 254-734-2832.

Pictures with Santa are available for a fee. There will also be Horse Drawn Buggy Rides and Free Entertainment. Groups entertaining are *The Messengers, Upper Room - Joe Williams, John Moss and Jeff Clark, and The Continental 2*.

PARADE ENTRY

Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____

City Commission Minutes

November 16, 2000
 The Gorman City Commission met on the above date in a Regular meeting. Those present were Mayor Robert Ervin, Commissioners; Donnie Rodgers, Alex Granado, and Bill Vaughn. Absent was Judy Warren. Ron Skiles was present.

Mayor Ervin called the meeting to order at 5:04 p.m.
 With the inclusion of a correction that Judy made a second to the motion of adjourning from Executive and returning to Regular in the minutes of the November 02, 2000 meeting. Donnie made the motion to approve the minutes as read. Alex made a second. Motion carried 3-0.

Bill made the motion to approve the bills for payment. Donnie made a second and the motion carried 3-0.

No action on Citizens In-Put.
 Bill made the motion to give all of the employees a bonus for Christmas. And that the City Christmas party will be held on December 5, 2000 at the Community Center for the City employees. Alex made a second and the motion carried 3-0.

Donnie made a motion to purchase the RVS Utility software extended maintenance, and to also purchase a new chlorine tester. The existing tester will soon be out of compliance. But Glenn is going to wait and attend another meeting to be absolute about the correct tester. Bill made a second and the motion carried 3-0.

There being no further business for discussion Bill made the motion to adjourn and Donnie made a second. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 5:50 p.m.

Texas Tech University in Lubbock, Kay Ann Craddock of Plano, Tommy and Michelyn Clark and Jeff and Estelle Craddock of Gorman.

Senior Travel Club to have Babysitting Day on December 9th from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. at the home of Julie Clark for children 2 years and up

TURKEY SHOOT
 Saturday, December 16th
 at 10:00 a.m.
 at Post Oak Gun Club

Adult Literacy Program Set For Interested Individuals

Gorman Masonic Lodge in conjunction with the Gorman ISD is offering an **Adult Literacy Program** open to all interested persons. The class will be taught at the school with the lesson plans, supplies and materials furnished at no cost to the individuals. This program was designed by the Scottish Rite Hospital Learning Center and is designed to teach reading and writing to adults. When this course is completed a certificate of completion will be presented to each individual. If you or anyone you know is interested and would like to attend, please call the school at 734-2617 or 2614 to sign up. Betty Morris or Crystal Snider can give you more information. Or you can call Roy Lipson, 734-3211, or Howard Hagood, 734-2977. After the sign-up is completed, the time and dates for the classes will be set. Sign-up needs to be completed by December 20th. Classes will start in January.

CHRISTMAS DINNER THEATER

Sponsored by De Leon Elementary P.T.O.
You Won't Want To Miss:
 A delicious dinner catered by JEB'S B-B-Q.
 A fabulous "Christmas Musical" provided for your entertainment by some of the most talented artists in this area:
"The Continental Two"
 starring: Daryl Hirst and Glenda Black from Gorman. Their first CD release will be on Sale January.
Opera Soloist: April Biesenbach from Stephenville
Christmas Ballet and Tap-Dance Teams
 from: Wanda Wade's School of Dance, in Dublin
The John Howard Family: from Gorman
PLUS, many extraordinary, talented, young performers from De Leon --- Too many to mention individually!!
Saturday, December 2nd - De Leon Elementary Cafetorium, 201 E. Pecan
Serving will start at 5:00 p.m.

Admission:
Children (12 and under) - \$3.50 - Adults - \$6.50
 Tickets will be sold at the door and in advance by the following parties and businesses: Elementary Students, PTO members, F&M Bank, Price's Flowers, First National Bank, and Suzie Q's Gift Shops. Don't Forget to Have Your Picture Made with Santa from 5:00 to 6:00 or After the program. Proceeds will go toward the educational benefit of the De Leon Elementary Students!

ITEMS OF INTEREST TO AREA FOLKS

SIPE SPRINGS MONTHLY MUSICAL — Sipe Springs Monthly Musical at Sipe Springs Community Center on Saturday, December 2nd at 6 p.m. Special invitation to all musicians and singers. The public is invited to attend and enjoy the music.

CUB SCOUT FOOD DRIVE — On Saturday, December 2nd, the Gorman Cub Scouts, Pack 38 will hold their annual Food Drive. We will be collecting non-perishable food items, just leave them on your front porch. Donations can be left at City Grocery, Bob's Grocery or the local churches. Thanks for helping us help others.

FOOD DRIVE — The Annual Gorman ISD food Drive is collecting Cans of Soup, and all other kind of canned goods. Students can turn in cans at your classroom. Teachers and Public can drop off cans at High School Office.

BLOOD PRESSURE CHECKS — Blood Pressure Checks by Heritage Manor of Gorman. Every other week at Senior Citizens at 11:00 a.m. Other week at Gorman Hotel at 10:30 a.m. Nov. 8 & 22 - Senior Citizens - 11:00 a.m. Nov. 15 & 29 - Gorman Hotel - 10:30 a.m.

Gorman First Baptist Church are Cancelling all Wednesday Services due to Thanksgiving holidays.

Athletic Boosters to meet January 8th at 7:00 p.m. at the Dairy Queen. Come and support the Panthers and join the Boosters.

The Order of the Eastern Star holds its regular stated meetings on the first Monday of each month at 7:30 p.m. - Nell Ragland, Worthy Matron and Elwood Ragland, Worthy Patron.

Gorman Oaklawn Cemetery Association is accepting donations for the Care of the Cemetery. If you would like to make a donation in memory of or In Honor of someone, please send to Rt. 3 Box 121A, or American State Bank, Gorman, Texas 76454.

Gorman Primitive Baptist Church has Services Every Sundays. Services begin at 10:30 a.m. Bro. Mark Waltenbarger - 1st Sunday; Elder Mike Webb, Pastor - All Other Sundays - Everyone Welcome To Attend.

FOOD PANTRY Second Thursday of Each Month

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. Roy Lipson, Worshipful Master — Pat Moseley, Secretary.

SANDRA CAGLE WILL BE IN GORMAN THE THIRD WEDNESDAY OF EACH MONTH AT THE CITY OFFICE TO RENEW AUTO LICENSE PLATES. HER NEXT VISIT WILL BE DECEMBER 20TH FROM 9 - 12 NOON.

Obituaries

KOKOMO NEWS

By Zelda Jordan

Services Held for Winifred Stacy

Winifred Stacy, 81, of DeLeon, passed away on Wednesday, November 22, 2000 at the DeLeon Hospital. Services were Friday, November 24, 2000 at the Nowlin Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. Jackie Auvenshine officiating. Burial was in the DeLeon Cemetery.

Mrs. Stacy was born on December 15, 1918 in Platter, Oklahoma to the late William F. Henson and Ida Mae Coker Henson. She married Ester Stacy on April 18, 1938 in Calera, Oklahoma. He preceded her in death. Mrs. Stacy was a good service supervisor for DeLeon Hospital for many years, homemaker, and member of the DeLeon First Baptist Church.

Survivors include one daughter, Tijwanah Smith and her husband, Milton Smith of DeLeon; two sisters, Arlene Freese of DeLeon and Pauline Greer of Durant, Oklahoma; one grandson, Stacy Smith and his wife, Mendi Smith; and two great-grandchildren, Maci and Marshall Smith.

Services Held for Tracy Smedley

Tracy Smedley, 24, of Lubbock, formerly of Blackwell died Wednesday, November 22, 2000 in Lubbock. Services were Saturday, November 25 at the First Baptist Church with Terry Simmons officiating. Burial was in the Rising Star Cemetery.

Tracy was born in Austin to R.L. and Barbara Bishop Smedley. He graduated from Blackwell High School where he was an all-star athlete in football and basketball. He also participated in golf, track, tennis and one-act plays. He had lived in Lubbock for the past five years, where was a student at Texas Tech University. Tracy was a member of the First Baptist Church in Blackwell.

Survivors include his parents, R.L. and Barbara Smedley of Rising Star; a sister, Stacy Taylor of Rising Star; his grandmother, Faye Bishop of Rising Star; a niece and a nephew; aunts, uncles and cousins; and a foster brother, Joseph O'Malley of Loop.

Tracy was the brother-in-law of Ricky Taylor, a coach at Gorman schools.

Cecil Hunsinger Laid to Rest

Cecil Wesley Hunsinger, 84, of DeLeon passed away on Thursday, November 23, 2000 at the DeLeon Hospital. Services were held on Sunday, November 26, 2000 at the Nowlin Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. Jackie Auvenshine officiating. Burial was in the DeLeon Cemetery.

Mr. Hunsinger was born on August 30, 1916 in Durant, Oklahoma to the late James Irvin Hunsinger and Ethel Delmar Hunsinger. He married Dimple Coats on June 6, 1936 in DeLeon. He was a retired carpenter, served in the U.S. Navy during World War II, and was a Protestant.

Survivors include one daughter, Frances Carter of Hico; two grandchildren, Suzy Nolin and Bret Carter; two great-grandchildren, Brandon and Dylan Carter.

Also preceding him in death were two brothers, Arthur and Clifford Hunsinger; and four sisters, Juanita Wilson, Emily Madera, Nora Lacy and Hazel Luce.

Faye Crockett Laid to Rest

Faye Anna Crockett, 85, of DeLeon died on Saturday, November 25, 2000 at her residence. Services were Monday, November 27, 2000 at the Nowlin Funeral Home chapel with Jackie Auvenshine officiating. Burial was at the DeLeon Cemetery.

Mrs. Crockett was born on July 22, 1915 in DeLeon to the late A.V. Floyd and Zera Baker Floyd. Mrs. Crockett was a retired school teacher having taught in the Midland ISD; had resided in DeLeon since 1966, coming from Midland; member Midland First United Methodist Church.

Christmas Parade
Friday, Dec. 8th
7:00 p.m.
Downtown
Gorman

I trust that everyone had a very good Thanksgiving Day. And remember that every day can, and should, be a day of thanksgiving for all the blessings we receive.

Attendance at the Kokomo Baptist Church was low on Sunday, so I guess that some in the community were still having family gatherings during the weekend.

Daryl Hirst directed the music, with Glynda Bond at the piano, at the morning service at the Kokomo Baptist Church. Bailey Underwood was a visitor.

Visitors with Oren and Norma Webb through the Thanksgiving Holidays were Laura and Emily Shelton of Sapulpa, OK, Helen McMullen of Sweetwater, James, Jantzen and Chelsea Webb of Glen Rose, Stacy, Kaci and Jacob Webb and Renee Fox of Comanche, Judy and Sarah Porter of Spring, Scarlet and Amanda Porter and John Meldy of Austin.

Enjoying the Thanksgiving Holidays with Imogene Norris were Larry and Paula Morrow and Layne Morrow of Plains, Lance Morrow of Abilene, Lenny and Rachelle Morrow of Weatherford, Ronnie and Jeanna Pack and Lacy Pack of Carbon, Corey Pack of Weatherford, James, Jo and Jason Norris of Flatwood, Jana and Allen Lynch of Denton, Donald, Jodi and Matthew Norris of Gorman, Randy and Lisa Lewis of Stephenville, Tonilyn of Weatherford, Naoma Morrow of

Levelland, Ronald Majors of Gorman and Wanda Pack of Carbon.

Shannon and Stephanie Bond of Tyler and Brian Bond of Plano visited with their parents, Joe and Glynda Bond during the Thanksgiving holidays.

Mrs. Hope Joiner had Thanksgiving dinner with Ennis and Nina Beth Joiner at Gorman. Others visiting were Linda Glover and David of Gorman, Janice Glover of Texas Tech in Lubbock, Stephen Joiner and Tim of Abilene.

Lucille Joiner of Stephenville visited with her mother, Hope Joiner on Saturday and took her to Stephenville for a visit with Ernie and Joyce Bramlett and their children, Cliff of Austin and Charla and Rob Sheaffer of Seattle, Washington.

Mrs. Joiner also enjoyed a visit recently with a daughter, Billie Jeanne Grisham and family at De Leon.

Thanksgiving visitors with Vernon, Deon and Lindell Fields were Richard, Teresa and Trevis Nachtigall of Morgan Mill, Paul and Taylor Ayers of Stephenville, Joe, Barbara, Michael, Lisa and Falyn Fields of Carbon, Mary Clark and Rod Brinegar of Gorman.

Randy, Deliah, Jon and Chris Lewis of Ennis spent Thanksgiving with Delmon and Joyce Eaves. Clifford Graham of Eastland visited with them on Saturday.

Hazel and La Von Snider had

Thanksgiving dinner with Dwayne and Connie Snider at Stephenville and Sheri Snider of Lubbock and Lisa Snider of Arlington, who were home for the holidays.

Dan, Diane, and Sandra Snider and Eric, Belinda, Audri and Isaac Segura of Gorman and Justin Snider of Tempe, AZ were supper guests of Hazel and La Von Snider on Thanksgiving night.

Justin Snider of the University of Arizona at Tempe, AZ spent the Thanksgiving holidays with his parents, Dan and Dianne Snider and family.

Gene and Ted Snider also visited with Hazel and La Von.

Those visiting during the Thanksgiving Holidays with Zelda Jordan were Glenda and Leon Black, Wade, Sheri, Ryan and Kody Daniell of Abilene, Joe Miles and Viki Hart of Austin, Robert, Diane, Brad and Meagan Miles of Leander and Nancy Hendricks.

Visitors with Nancy Hendricks were John and Troy Scitern, Laneta Freeman, Ruth Bryant, Darlene Hampton of Gorman and Tony Stogner of Red Oak.

David and Cassie Brasher spent Thanksgiving Day at Ranger with Pleas and Pat Reneau.

Gary, Donna, Lesley, Melanie and Garrett Gatlin of Mineral Wells, and Rebecca Browning of Graham had a Thanksgiving dinner with their parents, Woodrow and Helen Browning on Friday.

Jimmy and Maggie Nelson and Travis, Gladys, Alexis, Tiffany and Ethan Nelson of Fort Worth spent the weekend at the Nelson home near Carbon. David and Cassie Brasher also visited with them. Jimmy and Travis also did some deer hunting while here.

Daisy Slaton of Gorman and Zelda Jordan visited with Lona Lightfoot at Comanche on Saturday. Daisy and grandson, Sterling McCauley, visited with Zelda on Sunday afternoon.

Anniversary Party Honors Woodrow and Helen Browning
Woodrow and Helen Browning were invited to come to Mineral Wells on Sunday, November 19 to hear their granddaughters sing, and when they arrived at the home of their daughter, Donna, she and her family, Gary, Lesley, Melanie and Garrett Gatlin and their son, Gary and wife Rebecca Browning of Graham surprised Woodrow and Helen with a celebration to honor them on their 40th wedding anniversary which was November 18.

Browning Christmas Reunion
On Saturday and Sunday, November 25th and 26th, the Browning family gathered at the Embassy Suites in Abilene for their annual early Christmas Reunion. A good time was had by all.

Those attending were W.C. and Wynelle Browning and Lottie Morris of Gorman, Woodrow and Helen Browning of Kokomo, Gary, Donna, Lesley, Melanie and Garrett Gatlin of Mineral Wells, Gary and Rebecca Browning of Graham; Eddie and Anna Browning of Granbury; Glenda Nell Browning, Mary, Lindsey and Sydney of Alpine; Gene and Kay Snider of Kokomo, Dale, Cathy, Scott and Matt Collum of Huckabay and Mike and Crystal Snider of Gorman.

Gorman School Honor Roll 2nd Six Weeks

1st grade, Mrs. Lewis--A Honor Roll Jonathon Fenley, Charlie Jackson, Ally Little, McKenzie Osborne, Rebekah Powell, Aida Sanchez, Courtney Shirley, Joseph Simpson, Katey Thackerson, Chance Whitten, Raime Preston; **A-B Honor Roll--** Trent Gibbs, Jeffery Rainey, Aubrey DeLaTorre

1st grade, Mrs. Smith--A Honor Roll Courtney Carlton, Colby Cockburn, Erica Ortiz, matt Steward, Stetson Thompson, A.J. Vaughn, Stephanie Wilson; **A-B Honor Roll--**Nathan Ettinger, Ashley Landa

2nd grade, Mrs. Lasater--A Honor Roll--Brice Campbell, Jaime Johnson, Luis Martinez, Amy Regian; **A-B Honor Roll --** Alex Borrego, Matt

Keith, Maria Raygoza, Keifer Wilson, Dylan Keith

2nd grade, Mrs. Curlee--A Honor Roll--Mackenzie Keller, Cecilia Olivares, Abby Pacheco, Stephanie Risueno, Jacob Singleton, Jorge Tavarez, Randy Woodall, Cameron Clark; **A-B Honor Roll--**Scotty Martin, Mallory May, Evangelina Sanchez, Lindsey Sanders, Karla Lara

3rd grade, Mrs. Caraway--A Honor Roll--Jonathon Flores, Taylor Chew, Kimberly Seaton; **A-B Honor Roll--**Jarrett Blankenship, Ben Burgess, Slade Cupps

3rd grade, Mrs. Spivey--A Honor Roll--tyler Johnson; **A-B Honor Roll--**Jameson Rountree, Maressa Gillen, Edna Gonzales, Chris Gryder, Skylar Jones, Justin Little

4th grade, Mrs. Good--A Honor Roll--Stormy Hurd, Audrey Johnson, matt Underwood, Brittany VanDusen; **A-B Honor Roll--**Sarah Flores, March Gonzales, Sonia Hipolito, Lindsey Laminack, Miles White

4th grade, Mrs. Torisk--A Honor Roll--Emily Lewis, Jordan Perry, Veronica Walton; **A-B Honor Roll--**Matthew Cogburn, Olivia Jackson, April Keaton, Christopher Madera, Colby Spivey, Tyson Swanner

5th grade, Mrs. Keith--A Honor Roll--Esther Cruz, Clarissa Glasco, Kristi Landa Mary Powell; **A-B Honor Roll--**Ashley Bush, Corey Clark, Seth Cochrane, Isai Estrada, Trey Holdman, Aaron Keith Megan Lewis

5th grade, Mrs. O'Dell--A Honor Roll--Brandy Carlton, Nicole Cogburn, Reba Granado, Tecia Jones, Kendra Lewis, Meghan Preston; **A-B Honor Roll--**Kennon Hornback, Tony Perez, Brittany Rainey, Carrie Theftford, John Torres, Trey Underwood, Jerry Earles

6th grade, Mrs. Hampton--A Honor Roll--Amanda Regian; **A-B Honor Roll--**Kristy Carlton, Brittany Shirley, Crystal Thackerson, Rosa herrera, Stephanie Hughes, Maria Oronia, Leland Rainey, Kaci Seaton

6th grade, Mrs. Barker--A Honor Roll-- A-B Honor Roll--K'Ann Howard, Brenda Olivares, Pete Ramirez, Reinaldo Sanchez

7th Grade-A--Cindy Lopez; **A-B--**Jessee Simpson, David Wilkins, Amber Lewis, Sterling McCauley, Nathan Ritter, Sharla Perez, Kendra Swanner, Hollyann Wright

8th Grade-A--Elizabeth Hipolito; **A-B--**Rachel Granado, Ashlee Hornback, Kendra Bailey, Martha Cruz, Casandra Grumbles, Came Dame, Kim Ibarra, Bradley Lewis

9th Grade-A--Lacy Howard; **A-B--**Holly Abbe, Casandra Cooper, Claudia Davis, Angela Porter, Crystal Williams, Melinda Leal, Emily Thornton

10th Grade-A--Derrik Adams, Tana Goode, Brian Hunt, Ryan Keller, Sharon Marlow; **A-B--**Dylan Cogburn, Kristina Everton, Sarah Lewis, Mayra Lopez, Chad Robertson, Josh Bridges, Natasha Ritter, Kristin Turner

11th Grade-A--; A-B--Dustin Dame, Jamie Maupin, Keith Treadway, Billy Grissom, Ryan Hagood

12th Grade-A--Mark Glover, Emerald Guthery, Christina Mauney, Adrian Sichau, Cody Simpson, Colton Van Dusen; **A-B--**Anabel Lara, Anita Lobo, Gumaro Oronia, Kendra Roberts, Eva Rodriguez, Casey Simpson, Amanda Janecek, Joseph Duvall, Jessie Hagood, Josh Johnson, Josh Longoria, David Seaton, Matt Swanner, Erika Hipolito

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AVON: 10 people needed immediately for Christmas sales or to buy. Call today/work tomorrow. 254-559-6515 or 254-559-1040. Ask for Sandy. 4-12-14 P.

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77' Ford Ranchero-- \$300.00
70' Ford XL--\$1,000.00
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Men's Seiko watches--\$40.00
3 BR, 2 bath, house, garage, 2 C.P., 24 X 20 storage, 2 1/2 acre-- \$16,000.00
Elec. golf cart and charger--\$200.00
Call 254/734-2796
1-11-30-P

ESTATE SALE: Wilma Tunnell Estate, December 1st, 2nd, and 3rd from 8:00 to 5:00 at 215 W. Carter in Gorman. 2-11-30 P.

Wanted: Land to lease with option to purchase, Gorman area. Contact at P. O. Box 664, Gorman, TX 76454 3-11-30 P.

GENERAL DIRT WORK: Dump Truck, Sand Rock, Top Soil. Call Jerry Solomon - 254-893-2448. 2-8-FNC.

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Heritage Manor News

By Nancy Hendricks

A Note from the Administrator
November 27, 2000

Hi Folks,
I hope that each of you had a Happy Thanksgiving. My family and I spent the Thanksgiving holidays with my in-laws in Stephenville and we had a nice holiday. Our residents really enjoyed the Thanksgiving dinner that we had on November 16th. Thanks to all of the nursing home staff and our residents and family members for a nice meal and get-together. We will be getting back on track with our blood pressure clinics this week with a clinic at the Gorman Hotel on Wednesday, November 29th at 10:00 a.m. We will also be back at the Gorman Senior Citizens for a blood pressure clinic on Wednesday, December 6th at 11:00 a.m. Remem-

ber the community is invited to participate in these clinics. Have a great week!
Sincerely,
s/Brent

Family Thanksgiving Supper
On Thursday, November 16, 2000 at 6:00 p.m. was the Family Thanksgiving Supper. The rooms and tables were decorated. Also there was the green Thanksgiving tree with red lights. The bountiful meal had turkey, dressing ham and all the traditional Thanksgiving foods. Bro. Paul Denton asked the blessing.

Residents were Mary Williams, Lola Johnson, Ollie Halcomb, Dorothy Beaty, Veno Hale, Patti Whitehorn, Velma Bennett, Cynthia Earles, Bud Winn, Ava Rodgers, Richard Kinser,

Inez Rogers, Clifton and Frankie Jarrett, Muriel Prewitt, Hallie Clark, A.V. Seay, Sara Rogers, Modess Self, Winfred Stacy, and Bea O'Neal.

Family, friends, and relatives were Brent Hagood, Wilda Swanner, James Perez, Terry Perez, Peggy Hardin and family, Ray and Janet Sanders, Sandy McPherson, George Rodgers, Kay Watson, Harvey Winn and Ruby Norris, Buddy Rogers, Glen, Gloria and Clarissa Glasson, Bro. Paul Denton, Diana Bradley and Jeremy Denton, Kris Gronda, Lena Gronda, Ina Reynolds, Lila Moore, Kathy Torrez, Laneta Freeman, Johnnie and Ina Smith, Jo Ann Fraley, Tommy, Tresa, Brodi and Brice Campbell, Jim and Wilda Rodgers, Darrell and Pat Graham, Rose Hamilton.

Visiting Frankie and Clifton Jarrett were Trevor, Melissa and Jarrett Robertson of Kerrville, Kay Watson, Mark Watson, Bill Johnson, Howard and Pat Hagood, Eunice Love, Ruth Bryant.
Visiting Velma Bennett and Ola

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Walker were Dixie Ryon, Violet Watson of Desdemona, Howard and Pat Hagood, Eunice Love, Harvey Winn and Ina Reynolds of Carbon, Ruth Bryant.

On Sunday morning those coming from First Baptist Church to teach Sunday School lesson were Ennis and Nina Joiner and Tootie Campbell. Residents were Inez Rogers, Veno Hale, Modess Self, Cynthia Earles, Ora Mae Atchison, Ola Walker, A.V. Seay, Dean Pounds, Ava Rodgers, Lola Johnson, Clifton and Frankie Jarrett and Hazel Wisdom.

Visiting Muriel Prewitt were Bro. Paul Diana, Bradley and Jeremy Denton, Kris Gronda, Lena Gronda, Durwood Webb, Amy Fraley, Eunice Love.

On Sunday afternoon those coming from First United Methodist Church were Rev. Victor Pena, Jim and Kay Rice, Howard and Pat Hagood and guest Nancy Hendricks. Residents were Veno Hale, S.D. Gilmore, Clifton and Frankie Jarrett, Modess Self, A.V. Seay, Inez Rogers, Patti Whitehorn, Dorothy Beaty, Ollie Halcomb and Cynthia Earles.

Visiting Mary Williams were Fred McMullen of Melrose, NM, Maxine Frasier of DeLeon, Paul, Diana, Bradley and Jeremy Denton, Kris Gronda, Lena Gronda, Howard and Pat Hagood, Ina Reynolds, Eunice Love, Mayvis Lasater, Denzel and Fay Ables, Nancy Hendricks, Ruth Bryant, Wilbur Overstreet.

Visiting Irene Heathington were Laneta Freeman, Ken and Betty Heathington.

Karen Guthery gave A.V. Seay a new permanent.
Rex Kinser came and took Richard Kinser for an outing. He visited Verlon and Barbara Overstreet. Visiting Richard were James and Ruby Lee Kinser, Wilbur Overstreet, Howard and Pat Hagood.

Visiting Patti Whitehorn were Rev. T.D. Whitehorn, Mary Estes, Sylvia Estes, Marie Cook and Ina Reynolds of Carbon, Howard and Pat Hagood, Eunice Love, Denzel and Fay Ables, Amy Fraley.

Sorry to report Winfred Stacy is in the DeLeon Hospital.

Visiting Stella Reynolds were Chris, Kristy and Amber Tamparillo of DeLeon, Fay Scott, Ruth Bryant, LeRoyce and Mackie Brantley.

On Monday morning Ina Smith had bingo for Hallie Clark, Patti Whitehorn, Cynthia Earles, Velma Bennett, Modess Self, Sara Rodgers, Muriel Prewitt, Inez Rogers, Mildred Bellows, S.D. Gilmore, Frankie Jarrett and A.V. Seay.

Visiting A.V. Seay and Sara Rodgers were Bro. Paul Denton, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Reeves of Irving, Howard and Pat Hagood, Eunice Love, Nancy Hendricks, Ruth Bryant, Mayvis Lasater, Fay and Denzel Ables.

On Monday afternoon those coming for singing were Tootie Campbell, Ruby Lee Kinser, Nina Joiner, Zelta Jordan, Marjorie Treadway, Alpha Mae Andry, Daisy Slaton, Ethel Weaver, Ruth Bryant and Nancy Hendricks. Residents were Patti Whitehorn, Clifton and Frankie Jarrett, Richard Kinser, Ava Rodgers, A.V. Seay, Cynthia Earles, Modess Self, Inez Rogers, Ollie Halcomb, Dorothy Beaty and Veno Hale.

Visiting Cynthia Earles and Modess Self were Laneta Freeman, Ken and Betty Sue Heathington, Christine Self, Audrey Hendry, V.O. Huff.

Visiting Bea O'Neal were Glen, Gloria, and Clarissa Glasson, Howard and Pat Hagood, Nancy Hendricks, Mayvis Lasater.

Tuesday morning Betty Duke of Desdemona came and played the electric organ and led singing for Dorothy

Beaty, Ollie Halcomb, Lola Johnson, S.D. Gilmore, Frankie Jarrett, Inez Rogers, A.V. Seay, Veno Hale, Modess Self, Ava Rodgers, Ora Mae Atchison and Mildred Bellows.

Guests visiting Inez Rogers and Ora Mae Atchison were Dixie Ryon, Violet Watson, Howard and Georgia Ann Iley of Desdemona, Buddy Rogers, Kenneth and Saloda Brown of Ranger, Chessley Atchison, Denzel and Fay Ables, Mayvis Lasater, Eunice Love, Howard and Pat Hagood.

Ina Smith and residents made homemade ice cream on Tuesday afternoon. Everyone was happy singing "Row-Row-Row Your Boat," "You Are My Sunshine," and others. They were Hallie Clark, Ollie Halcomb, Patti Whitehorn, Modess Self, Inez Rogers, S.D. Gilmore, Dorothy Beaty.

Visiting Buddy Winn and Ed Johnson were Harvey Winn, Ruby Lee Norris and Ina Reynolds of Carbon, Fay Johnson, Dale Johnson, Howard and Pat Hagood, Wilbur Overstreet.

On Wednesday morning, Ennis Joiner of First Baptist Church came for chapel for Veno Hale, Cynthia Earles, A.V. Seay, Velma Bennett, S.D. Gilmore, Inez Rogers, Modess Self, Lola Johnson, Ava Rodgers, Frankie Jarrett and Richard Kinser.

Visiting Hallie Clark were Tommy, Tresa, Brice, Brodi Campbell, Jo Ann Fraley, Eunice Love, Howard and Pat Hagood, Mayvis Lasater.

Some of Mildred Bellows guests were Betty Sue Dennis, Kenneth and Mary Nell Rodgers of Eastland, Eunice Love, Nancy Hendricks, Darrell and Pat Graham, Fay and Denzel Ables, Howard and Pat Hagood.

Visiting Veno Hale and Lola Johnson were Ruby Norris, Ina Reynolds of Carbon, Harvey Winn, Howard and Pat Hagood, Eunice Love, Mayvis Lasater, Howard and Pat Hagood.

On Friday morning Ina Smith and Kathy Torrez had bingo for Cynthia Earles, Sara Rodgers, Hallie Clark, Lola Johnson, A.V. Seay, Ava Rodgers, Velma Bennett, Inez Rogers, Muriel Prewitt, Modess Self, Mildred Bellows, Ollie Halcomb, Frankie Jarrett, S.D. Gilmore. Kathy served everyone hot chocolate.

Some of Ava Rodgers guests were Jim and Wilda Rodgers of Midlothian, Mayvis Lasater, Howard and Pat Hagood, Ima Brown, Jana Grice, Fay and Denzel Ables, Eunice Love, Nancy Hendricks, Ruth Bryant, Edith Murphy.

Visiting Dean Pounds were Roger Pounds, Gladys Pounds, Winston Brown, Howard and Pat Hagood.

On Friday afternoon residents doing arts and crafts were S.D. Gilmore, Inez Rogers, A.V. Seay, Modess Self, Veno Hale, Cynthia Earles, and Frankie Jarrett.

Some of Hazel Wisdom and Stella Files guests were Bob and Merlene Wisdom, Leo and Eloise Williams of Desdemona, Ken and Pat Kincannon of Hico, Howard and Pat Hagood, Eunice Love, Fay and Denzel Ables.

Residents appreciated the nice magazines Juanita Files donated.

Some of S.D. Gilmore guests were Dixie Ryon, Violet Watson of Desdemona, Durwood Webb, Wesley Warren, Howard and Pat Hagood.

Jack Bellows Passes Away
Services for Jack Bellows, age 90, of Ector, Texas died November 17, 2000 at Heritage Manor Nursing home in Gorman, were held 11:00 a.m. Monday, November 20, 2000 in Ector Baptist Church in Ector, Texas.

Darrell Graham and Cody Early officiated.

Burial was in Carsen Cemetery, arrangements under the direction of Millican-Little funeral home of Bells,

Texas.
Mr. Bellows was a member of First Baptist Church and the Masonic Lodge of Ector.

Survivors are his wife, Mildred, of Heritage Manor, whom he married July 13, 1929; a daughter and husband, Pat and Darrell Graham of Gorman; two sons, Ronnie Bellows of Denton and Danny and wife, Sally Bellows of Dallas; a sister, Lucille Manon of Dennison; 5 grandchildren; 13 great grandchildren and one great-great grandchild.

Desdemona News

By Vonnie Guthery

First Baptist Church of Desdemona had good attendance last Sunday for the morning service. Special music was presented by Annette Cummings. Several visitors attended. The Jr. church is growing in numbers—our church is very blessed with these young children.

Church of Christ visitors for the morning service were B.J. and Clarene Melton of Richardson, Jr. and Nell Moore of Benbrook and Oleta Wade.

Ginger Brown and children, Dale, Jacob, and Caleb of DeLeon moved to Bartlesville, Oklahoma last Monday. This family attended church at First Baptist in Desdemona. We wish them much happiness at their new home.

Visitors over the Thanksgiving holidays with James and Dixie Ryon were Bud Shugart of Strawn, Jr. and Flossie Dawkins of Ranger, Justin Dawkins of Lubbock and Katie Pack of Lewisville.

Belinda Webb visited last Sunday evening in Gorman with her aunt, Nelda Keith. Nelda is recovering very well from recent surgeries.

Mildred Barker of DeLeon hosted a family Thanksgiving dinner. Those attending were Bob and Merlene Wisdom, Marsha Johnson and son, Chris of Desdemona, Ronnie and Debby Barker and daughters, January and Whitney, Garrett and Racheal Barker and children, Morgan and Seth—all of Meridian, Misty (Barker) and son, Jake of Florida, Gary and Linda Barker of Teague, Debi Koelher and daughter, Tyler of San Antonio, Billy Williams and friend, Josh of Lovington, New Mexico, and Aunt Bill Holmes of Stephenville.

Dorothy Roberts spent Thanksgiving holidays in Fort Worth with her daughter, Kevin and Ulenda Roberts. Others visiting were Shawn and Keather Caddell and daughter, Kelsey, Heath Weaver, Ashley Weaver and Tanner all of Fort Worth and Jeff Roberts of Dallas.

Wayne and Karen Eaves hosted a family Thanksgiving dinner. Those attending were Lorin Eaves, Pug and Vonnie Guthery, Belinda Webb, Angela Creed and children, Colin and Kaley of Desdemona.

B.J. and Clarene Melton of Richardson visited the holidays with Terry Denson and Brandon.

Albert and Pat Holdman spent Monday and Tuesday in Dallas for Pat to have a check-up with the heart specialist. Making this trip with the Holdmans was Dorothy Roberts, who spent time visiting with her son, Jeff Roberts in Dallas.




"Congratulations" to Mike and Melinda Keith of Stephenville on the arrival of a new baby boy, Mason James, born on Friday, November 10, 2000 at the Harris Methodist Hospital in Stephenville. Mason is welcomed at home by Holly, Christi, Sommer and Derek. Maternal grandparents are Herb and Barbara Ahern of Stephenville. Paternal grandparents are Nelda Keith of Gorman and the late Mack "Red" Keith.

This reporter received a letter recently from Wilburn Gage in White Oak, Texas who attended school in Desdemona in the early 40's. His brother, Jr. Gage also attended school here. Their father was a pumper in this area when the family lived here. Wilburn graduated in 1947 and Jr. in 1944 from Electra, Texas where the family moved after leaving Desdemona.

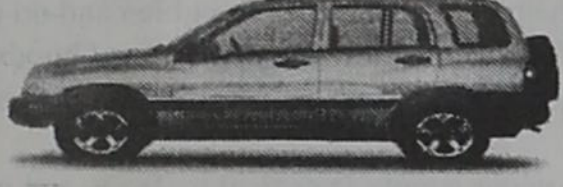
Visitors for the Thanksgiving holidays with Bernard and Ann Keith were De and Vicki Robinett of DeLeon; Bill and Tami Sanders, Robyn Griffith of Chicota, Billy and Nikki Febinger and son, Christopher of Stephenville.

Please contact this reporter with your weekly news. It will be appreciated. Have a nice day.

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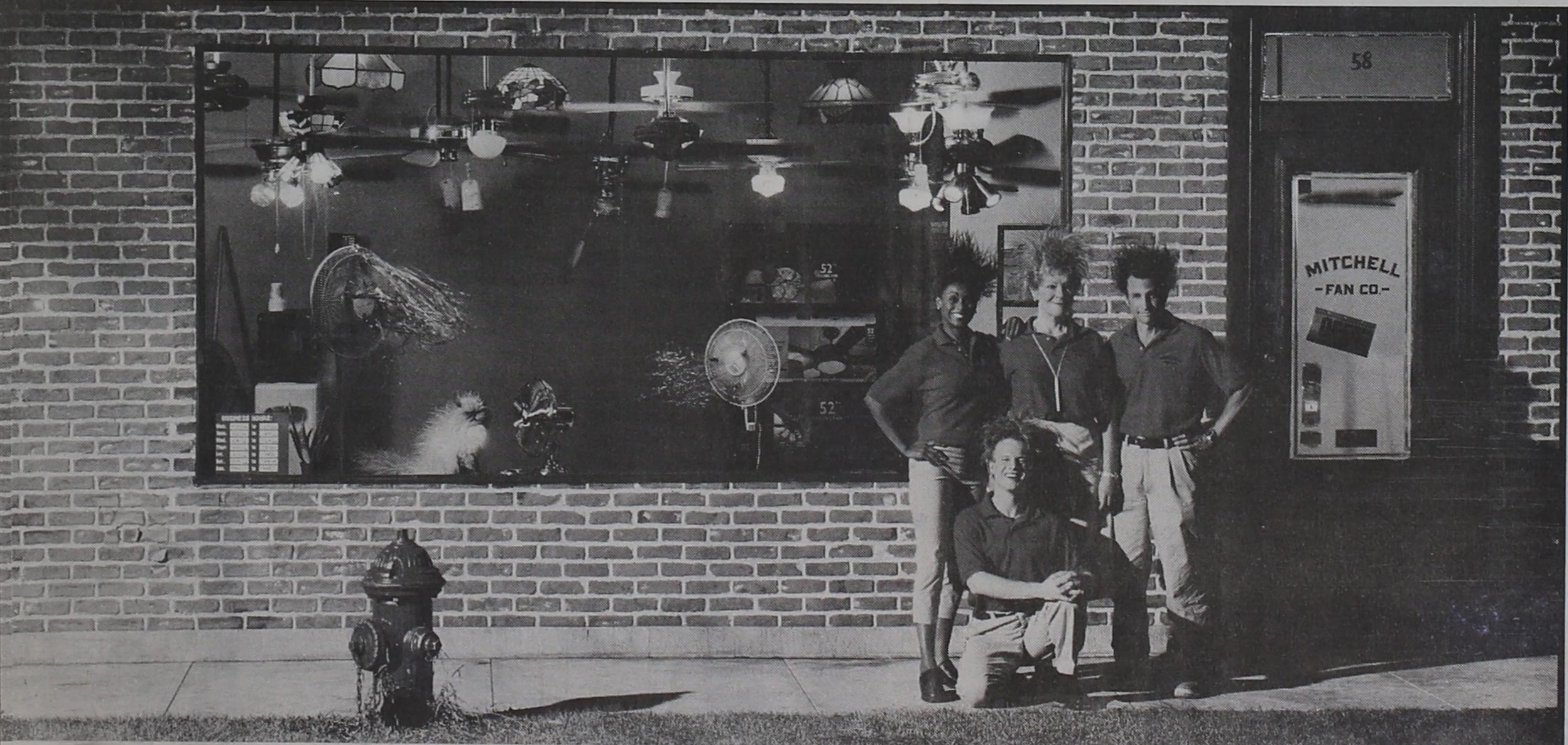
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**Gorman High School
2000-2001 Panther and Lady Panther
Basketball Schedule**

DATE	OPPONENT	SITE	TIME	TEAM
Nov. 28	Perrin-Whitt	Away	5:00	All
Dec. 1	OPEN	TBA	TBA	TBA
Dec. 5	Priddy	Home	6:00	VG,VB
Dec. 7-9	Rising Star Tourney	Rising Star	TBA	VG,VB
Dec. 12	DeLeon	Home	TBA	JVB,VB
Dec.14-16	Gordon Tourney	Gordon	TBA	VG,VB
Dec. 15	Perrin-Whitt	Away	4:30	JVB
Dec. 21	Lueders-Avoca	Home	2:00	VG,VB
Dec.28,29,30	Brown Co. Tourney	Zephyr/Breckenrith	TBA	VG,VB
Jan. 2	Lingleville	Away	5:00	All
Jan. 5	*Baird	Away	5:00	All
Jan. 9	*Ranger	Home	5:00	All
Jan. 12	*Cross Plains	Away	5:00	All
Jan. 16	Lingleville	Home	5:00	All
Jan. 19	*May	Home	5:00	All
Jan. 23	*Baird	Home	5:00	All
Jan. 25,26,27	Zephyr JV Tourney	Away	TBA	JVB
Jan. 26	*Ranger	Away	5:00	All
Jan. 30	*Cross Plains	Home	5:00	All
Feb. 2	OPEN	TBA	TBA	All
Feb. 6	*May	Away	5:00	All

*Denotes District Games

Varsity Boys Coaches:
Ricky Taylor-head
Tom Wilson-asst.
Chad Coker-asst.

Varsity Girls Coaches:
Jackie Williamson-head
Jerry Brock-asst.
Amanda Sowell-asst.

**Junior High Basketball
2000-2001**

Date	Opponent	Time	Site	Teams
Dec. 2	Santo Tourn.	TBA	There	8 th G,B
Dec. 4	*Ranger	5:00	Home	All
Dec. 11	*Cross Plains	5:00	There	All
Dec. 18	OPEN			
Jan. 4	*May	5:00	Home	All
Jan. 8	*Baird	5:00	Home	All
Jan. 13	Cross Plains Tour.	TBA	There	All
Jan. 15	*Ranger	5:00	There	All
Jan. 20	Gorman Tourn.	TBA	Home	7 th G,B
Jan. 22	*Cross Plains	5:00	Home	All
Jan. 29	OPEN			
Feb. 5	*May	5:00	There	All

*District Games

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Jackie Williamson-Head
Jerry Brock-Asst.
Amanda Sowell-Asst.



CARBON NEWS

By Michelle Thackerson

I hope everyone had a Happy Thanksgiving and told someone what you are thankful for.

Christmas will be here before you know it. I've noticed several people have their lights up and are getting into the holiday spirit this year.

My family celebrated Thanksgiving three times this past week. We went to Tony's grandparents, Pete and Dealva Rodgers, Thursday for lunch, then to Rising Star to spend the evening with my family, The McGinns. Friday we went to my dads and the spent the day with them. We were busy but it nice to see everyone that you don't see often.

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KAY BAILEY HUTCHISON



WATER TREATY SHOULD BE RECOGNIZED

Much of Texas history, and much of our literature as well, can be summed up by the statement "Water is scarce." Countless stories outline the successes and frustrations of Texas' efforts to stake claim to an adequate supply of water to ensure a sustainable and prosperous future.

In few regions is this struggle more evident than in the Lower Rio Grande Valley, where a severe lack of water continues to threaten agriculture and the jobs it provides to valley residents. In addition to suffering from a protracted drought that has affected other areas of Texas as well, South Texas agricultural producers are not receiving their fair share of water from six Mexican tributaries of the Rio Grande, water to which they are entitled under the terms of a 1944 treaty with Mexico.

For nearly a half-century, the water treaty served Texas and Mexico well because both sides understood its importance. The treaty was intended to ensure water users on both sides of the river minimum amounts of water so they could manage their withdrawals and plan how it is to be used. The United States has scrupulously observed its treaty obligations for the Colorado River basin and provided Mexico with the amount of water to which it is entitled every year - an amount roughly equal to what Mexico owes us for the Lower Rio Grande.

As of the beginning of this year, Mexico owed Texas roughly 1.5 million acre-feet of water, a debt going back to 1992 (an acre-foot of water is the volume of water that covers one acre to a depth of one foot). For this reason South Texas' Falcon and Amistad reservoirs are at dangerously low levels. During the summer of 1998, water levels fell to 18 percent of capacity - the lowest in more than 40 years. The effects of the drought could be eased considerably if Mexico would make good on its treaty obligations.

Recent studies by Texas A&M University and the Texas Water Development Board suggest the economic impact of Mexico's withholding of this water to be more than \$400 million annually. A continuing shortage could eventually jeopardize the health of local residents on top of crippling the valley's agriculture-based economy.

Last month I introduced a resolution in the Senate calling on the President to utilize the full powers of his office to require Mexico to comply with the terms of this treaty, and begin repaying the water it has impounded. It also calls on the U.S. Section of the International Boundary and Water Commission, which oversees the treaty's performance, not to accept anything less than full repayment of water in its attempt to negotiate a settlement of the dispute. A similar measure has been introduced in the U.S. House. I have met with the Mexican Ambassador to the United States to discuss this situation as well.

The U.S. government needs to make this a top priority. Not only has Mexico failed to present a plan to repay the water we're due for previous years, but so far, it has failed as well to present its plan to deliver us the water we are due in 2001 and 2002.

It is my hope that congressional passage of my resolution will impress officials on both sides that Mexico must structure a water repayment plan and do it quickly - before more farmers and ranchers in the valley lose their livelihoods. Consumers of our great South Texas citrus fruits will also be affected by a reduced supply.

Making certain we have an adequate water supply is critical to Texas and in particular to the Lower Rio Grande Valley. It is vital that Mexico work with us to develop better water management strategies that will make possible continued economic development and prosperity on both sides of our shared river.

**CONGRESSMAN STENHOLM
ACCEPTING INTERN APPLICATIONS**

WASHINGTON, D.C.- Congressman Charlie Stenholm is now accepting applications from college students and educators interested in participating in the 2001 Omar Burlison Intern Program in Washington, D.C. The Honorable Omar Burlison represented the 17th Congressional District for 32 years.

Completed applications must be submitted in person or postmarked by January 5, 2001, to be considered.

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The internship program is open to college students from the 17th Congressional District, or those attending college inside the District.

Also eligible are local elementary and secondary school teachers and administrators. Interns are paid a \$1,000 stipend to apply toward basic living and travel expenses.

Intern applications and information can be obtained by contacting Annette Wilson in the Stamford district office at 915-773-3623, from Congressman Stenholm's web page (or by writing the Omar Burlison Intern Foundation, P.O. Box 1057, Stamford, TX 79553).

Applications are due by January 5, 2001, and will then be forwarded to the Selection Committee, who will notify finalists by February 16, 2001.

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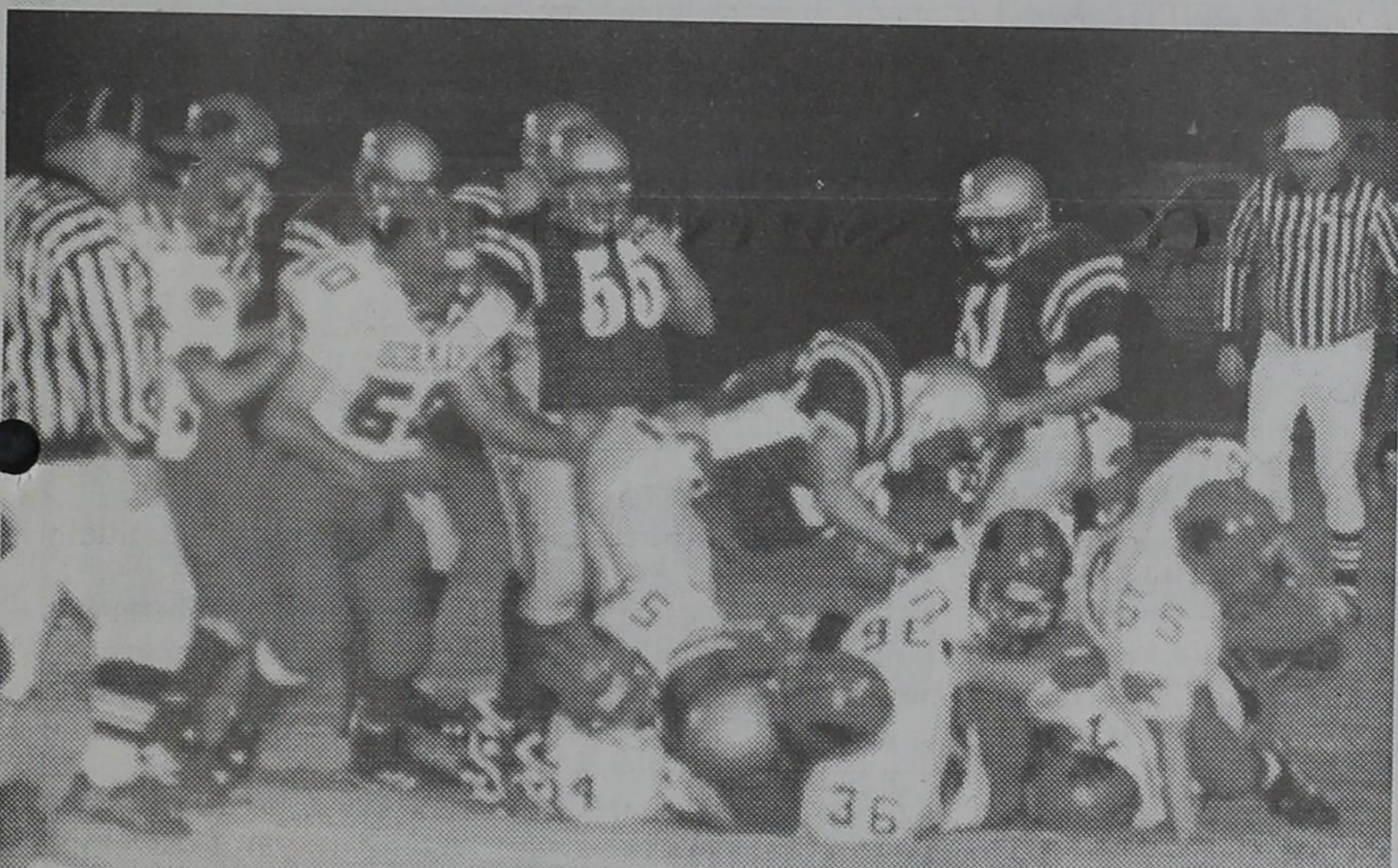
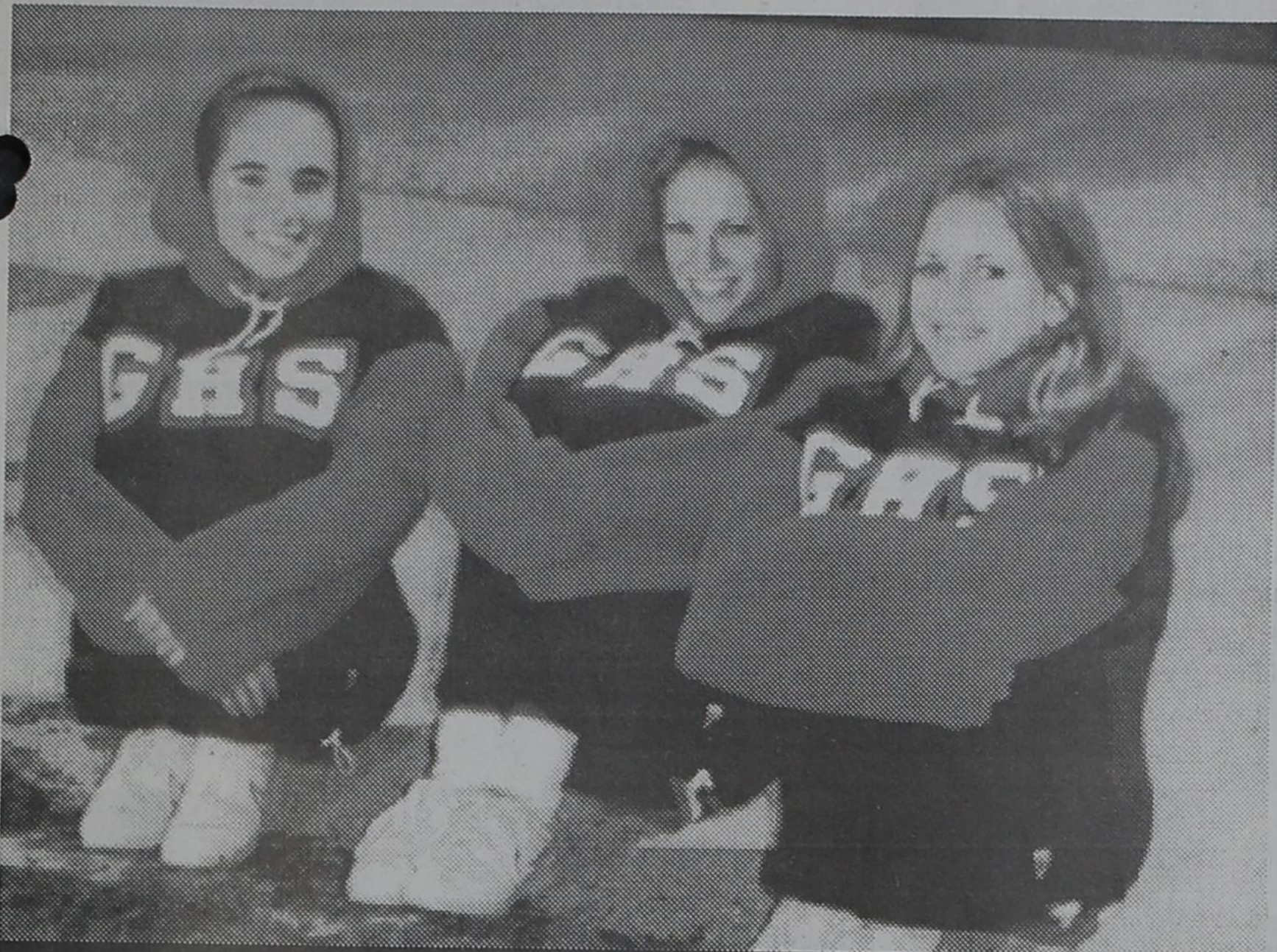
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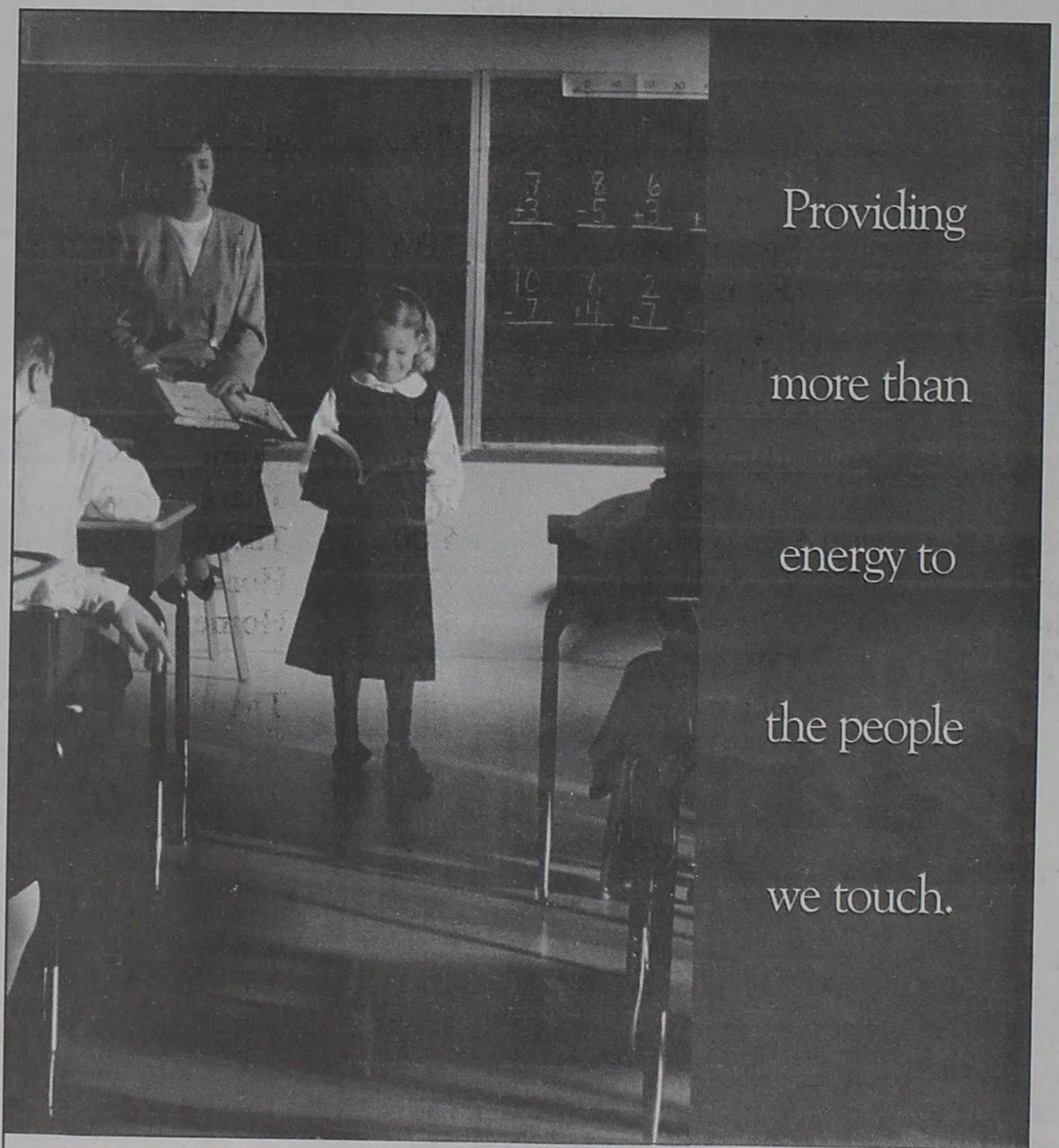
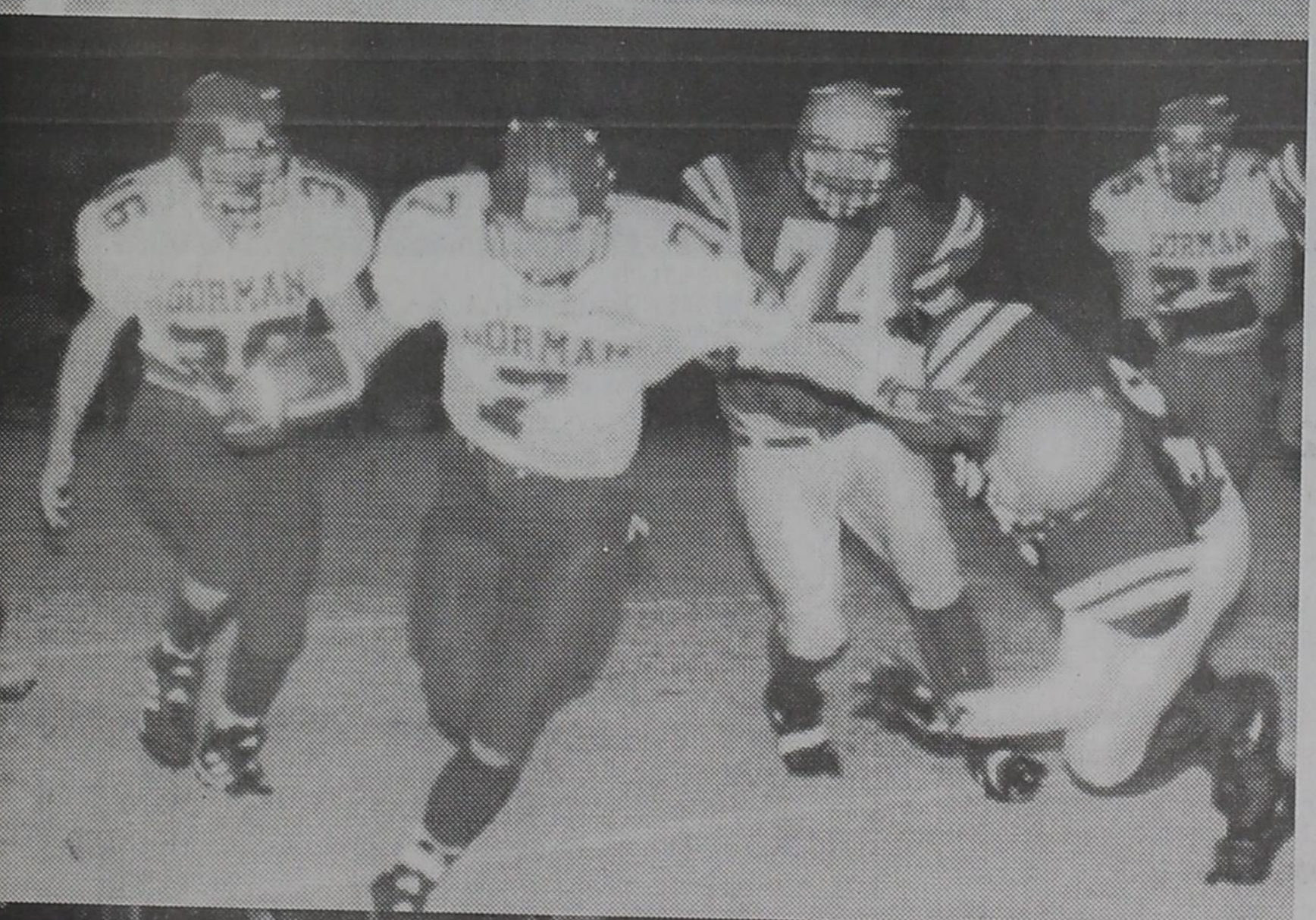


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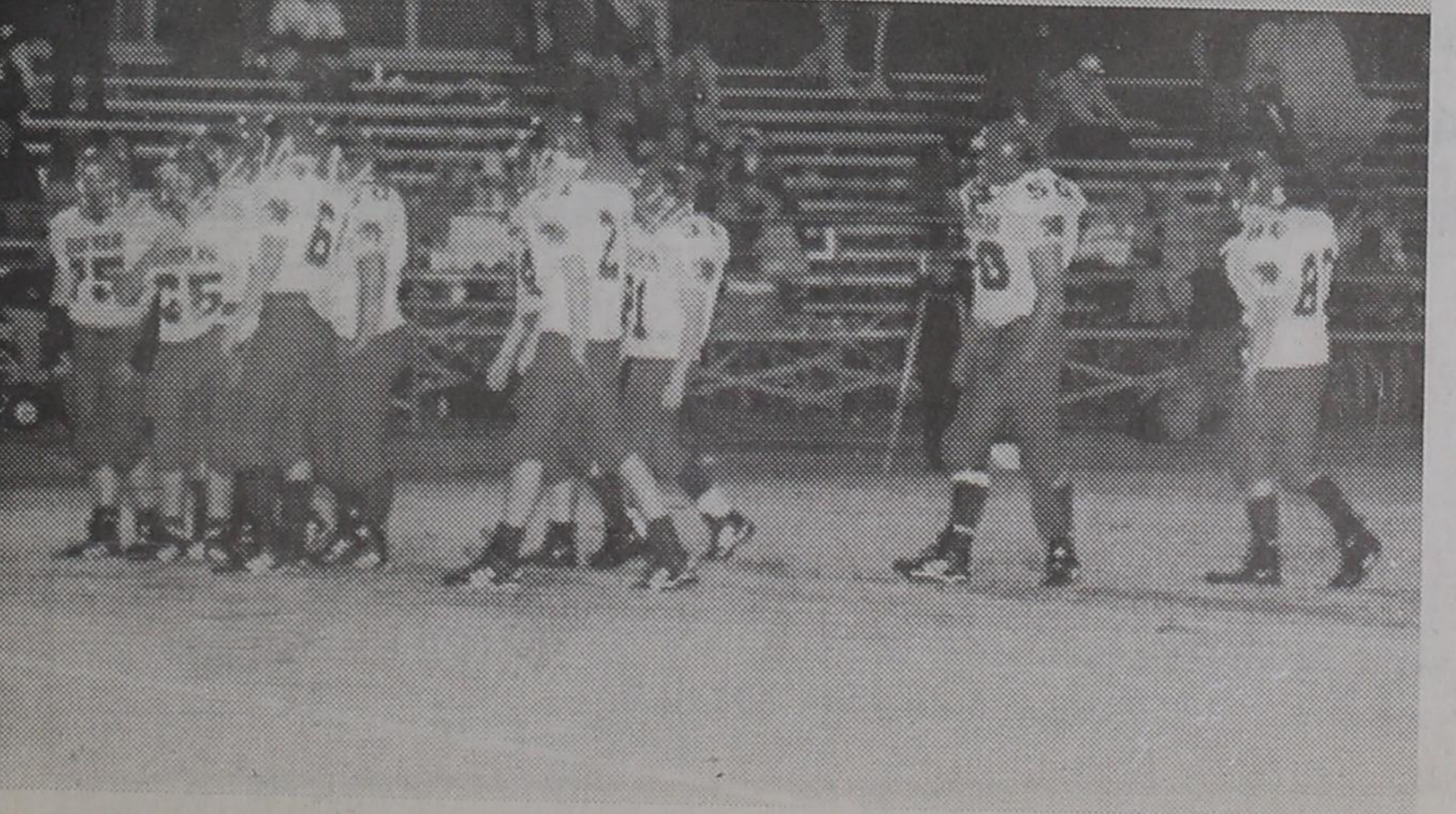
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Pause To Think

This week's topic is a continuation of the topic we began last week: needing the Holy Spirit of God to lead us in order to be his children.

And, unless the Spirit of God leads us, we are not his children, according to Romans 8:14. Jesus informed us of the consequences of this in **Matthew 7:21-23**, "Not every one that saith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven; but he that doeth the will of my Father which is in heaven. Many will say to me in that day, Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in thy name? and in thy name have cast out devils? and in thy name done many wonderful works? And then will I profess unto them, **I never knew you**: depart from me, ye that work iniquity. This occurrence will be the result of one not being led by the Spirit of God to the point of obedience.

There is a parable that Jesus taught which is very similar to the statement that he made in **Matthew 7:21-23**. It is found in **Matthew 25:1-12**. Then shall the kingdom of heaven be likened unto ten virgins, which took their lamps, and went forth to meet the bridegroom. And five of them were wise, and five were foolish. They that were foolish took their lamps, and took no oil with them: But the wise took oil in their vessels with their lamps. While the bridegroom tarried, they all slumbered and slept. And at midnight there was a cry made, Behold, the bridegroom cometh; go ye out to meet him. Then all those virgins arose, and trimmed their lamps. And the foolish said unto the wise, Give us of your oil: for our lamps are gone out. But the wise answered, saying, Not so; lest there be not enough for us and you: but go ye rather to them that sell, and buy for yourselves.

And while they went to buy, the bridegroom came; and they that were ready went in with him to the marriage: and the door was shut. Afterward came also the other virgins, saying, Lord, Lord, open to us.

But he answered and said, **Verily I say unto you, I know you not.** Please notice that in **Matthew 7:21-23** Jesus said, "**I never knew you.**" However, in **Matthew 25:1-12**, Jesus said, "**I don't know you.**" There are two things that we need to consider at this point.

1. How will Jesus be able to say to someone that once possessed the oil of His Spirit that he doesn't know them.
2. How will Jesus be able to look at someone who has worked miracles, healed the sick, cast out demons in his name, etc. and profess to them, "**I never knew you.**"

The common factor is the Holy Ghost/Holy Spirit of God. The five foolish virgins once had oil, (oil represents the Holy Ghost/Holy Spirit), but allowed it to run out. And according to scripture, the folk in **Matthew 7:21-23** had never received the Holy Ghost/Holy Spirit of God. Please consider what the Apostles had to say in **Acts 5:32**, "And we are his witnesses of these things; and so is also the Holy Ghost, whom God hath given to them that obey him." Please note what Jesus said in **Matthew 7:21**, "Not every one that saith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven; but he that doeth the will of my Father which is in heaven."

It is apparent that in order for Jesus to know us, we must possess the Holy Ghost, the Holy Spirit of God. And, not just once in our lifetime, but especially upon his return.

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As we continue with, "What One Must Do To Have The Hope Of Eternal Life," we will finish our study of Biblical Repentance. The Bible shows us that there are 6 aspects of Repentance. (1) **First**, there must be a **RECOGNITION** of the fact that we have sinned against God and we are not right with Him. (2) **Secondly**, there must be a **REMORSE / REGRET** because that is the case (we are sorry about it). (3) **Thirdly**, there must be a **RESOLVE** (a change of mind). No longer will I allow sin to be my master (willingly and knowingly practice sin). (4) **Fourthly**, there must be a **RETURN**. We must go back to the point where we got off track with God (for all of us have at some point in our lives). (5) **Fifthly**, there must be a **REFORM**. There must be a reformed life to prove that repentance has taken place. And (6) **Sixthly**, there must be a **RESTITUTION**. This simply means to make right what has been wronged (Lev. 6:1-7). Question: Could a bank robber fully repent and keep the money that he stole? Answer: No! Why not? He could **Recognize** the fact that he is a bank robber. He could feel **Remorse and Regret** about what he has done. He could make a **Resolve** (change his mind) and make the decision to stop robbing banks. He could **Return** back to the days and mindset before he started robbing banks. He could demonstrate his repentance by **Reforming** (not robbing banks anymore). He could do all of these things, but can he do them and still keep the money? No! He must return the money. He must give back what is not his to keep. He must make things right to the very best of his ability. And so it is with us as well. If we are going to fully repent we must make sure that we have corrected to the very best of our ability that which we have wronged. These 6 steps perfectly describe what God expects of us when He tells us to repent (Acts 17:30). But what about you, the reader? Have you repented? Have you obeyed God's Plan of Salvation? Have you obeyed the pure Gospel of Christ (2 Thess. 1:7-9)? Jesus said one must **HEAR** the word of God (John 5:24) and **BELIEVE** that Jesus is the Son of God (John 8:24). One must **REPENT** (Luke 13:3) and **CONFESS** that Jesus is the Son of God (Matt. 10:32-33). One must then submit to New Testament **WATER BAPTISM (IMMERSION)** for the washing of one's past sins by the blood of Christ (Mark 16:16; Acts 22:16; Rev. 1:5). One must then continue to **LIVE FAITHFULLY and IN OBEDIENCE** to God all of their life (Matt. 7:21-23; 10:22; Luke 6:46). If you haven't done these things you can't go to Heaven according to Jesus. Have you obeyed the words of Jesus? Call or write us if we can help you in any way. We offer free Bible correspondence courses, free home Bible studies, or email us any Bible questions that you may have. Tune in to radio KYOX FM 94.3 from 9:30 to 10:00 or TV cable channel 4 at 8:00 and 8:30 Sunday mornings if you want to hear Bible based sermons. Of course all visitors are welcome for our Bible classes or worship services. We look forward to seeing or hearing from you.

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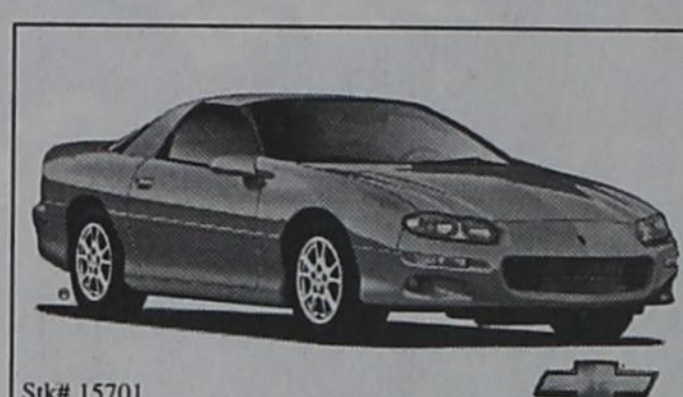
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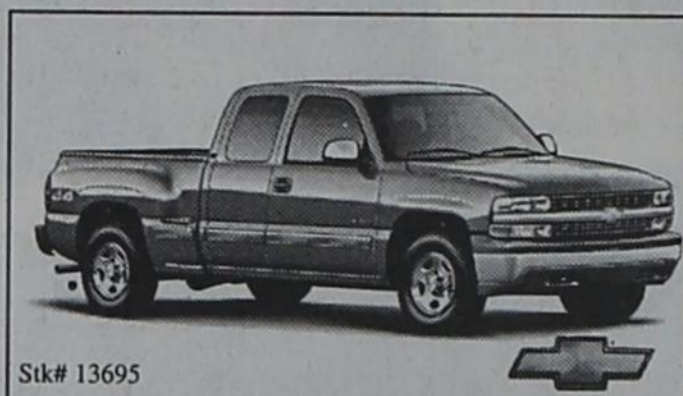
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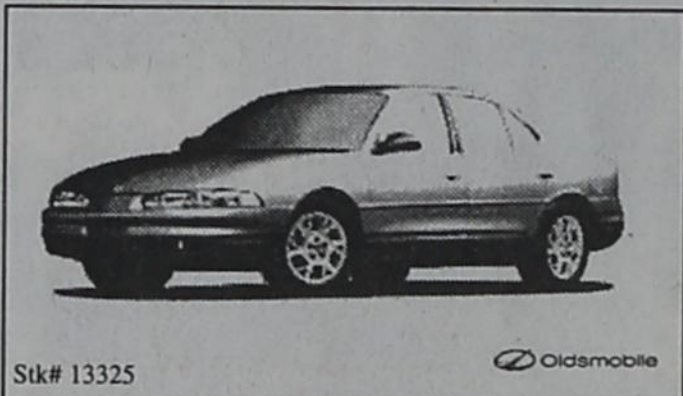
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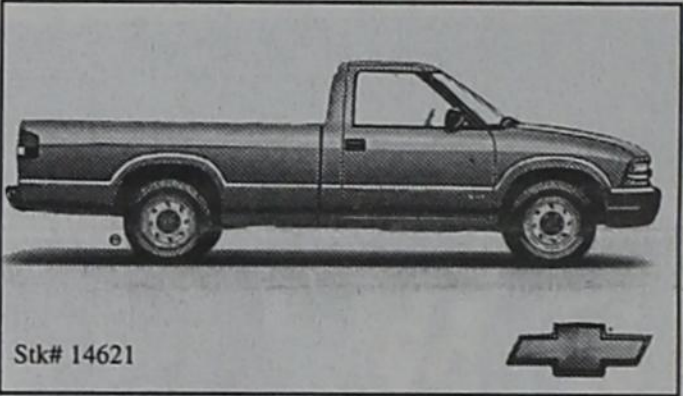
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