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## Stephanie Jobe and Douglas Catoe Pledge Vows



Stephanie Diane Jobe and Douglas Scott Catoe were united in marriage on July 14, 2005 at the Church of Christ, Eastland, Texas. Durwood Webb, grandfather of the bride, officiated the double ring ceremony.

The bride is the daughter of Leisa Jobe of Athens and Mary Webb of Gorman and LaVelle Jobe of Gorman. The groom is the son of Paul and Kay Catoe of Abilene. He is the grandson of Rae Catoe of Hamilton and Jody James of Amarillo.

In memory of the bride's father, the bride was presented in marriage by her mother. She wore a white beaded princess line, off the shoulder neckline gown of duchess satin which had covered buttons down the back. Seed pearls, sequins and

seed beads embellished the bodice and semi-cathedral train. Seed pearls decorated her illusion waist-length veil. Her bouquet of roses held her great-grandmother's engagement ring.

Maid of honor was the bride's sister, Melissa Jobe of Fort Worth. Bridesmaids were Angela Treadway of Irving and Cassandra Cox of Fort Worth. Flower girls were Katie Catoe, niece of the groom, of Abilene and Shilah Lewis, cousin of groom, of Phoenix, Arizona.

Best man was brother of the groom, Jeff Catoe of Abilene. Groomsmen were Chris Spangler of Cisco and Brad Lewis of Phoenix, Arizona.

Ushers were Ricky Cox of Fort Worth and Heath Gaines of Amarillo.

## THE DOODLEBUG IS COMING TO TOWN.

Tickets are on sale at the Opera House. There is a limited amount of tickets, if you want to ride this year, be sure you get your tickets early. Children, three and under are free, but may not have a seat. They are to sit in someone's lap. Tickets will be \$25.00

I want to thank our sponsors for helping us make this train excursion a reality:

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We plan a great party for October 15th. We will have a frontier town, a train robbery, several model train clubs will be setting up their trains in the Opera House, music, and many more exciting events for a fun filled day. The train will arrive in Gorman around 1:30 pm, but the party will be all day, ending with a street dance that night.

I am looking forward to seeing you there.

Cliffa Vaughn



**HAPPY 85TH BIRTHDAY** - George Elbert Bennett was honored on his 85th Birthday on Tuesday at the Dairy Queen, hosted by his family. It was a surprise party. The Dairy Queen was decorated in the Happy Birthday theme, having balloons and hanging decorations.

Refreshments of birthday cake, cookies, peanuts, candy and ice cream were served with cold drinks and coffee to George Elbert and Cora Lee Bennett, Dwight Bennett of Mansfield, Sharon and Chris Jones of Austin, Courtney Spruill of Austin, Betty Little of Kokomo, Nancy Hendricks of Kokomo, Bertie Stacy, Gene Foster, Jack Harrison, Winston Brown, Howard Hagood, Larry Stoggsdill, Joe Bennett, Bernice Daniels, Carly Lipson, Philip Lipson, David Lipson, Amy Fraley, Bob Gibson, Jana Grice, Sue Ross, all of Gorman, Sylvia Alkvarez, O. D. and Kathryn Sellers of Olden, and Ima Brown, Mary Jo Eaves and Durwood Webb and Jackie Grice, also of Gorman.

## Gorman Peanut Queen's Contest

If you are a young lady between the ages of 15 and 18 and reside in the GISD area...

You are Invited to Participate in the Annual Gorman Peanut Festival Queen's Contest.

Great prizes - including a \$250 scholarship for the winner.

Come be a part of a great tradition. Encourage a friend to enter with you!!!

Contest to be held Thursday, September 1, 2005 at 6:00 p.m.

Contact Becky Laminack at 734-3263 or Lori Dodd at 734-3637.

## Preschool Program At The United Methodist Church

Registration is now underway for the preschool program at the United Methodist Church. This will be a one day a week program beginning on Tuesday, September 6, 2005 from 8:30 am to 3:00 pm.

We will have a registration on Saturday, September 3, 2005 from 9:30 am to 11:30 am in the fellowship hall of the Methodist Church.

For more information, please call Melissa Osborne at 734-2849, or the church office at 734-2547.

The house party consisted of Kathie Catoe, sister of the groom, Allison Catoe, niece of the groom, both of Abilene, and Stephanie Lewis of Phoenix, AZ. Music, especially recorded for the couple, was provided by Dennis Thompson of Dallas.

The bride graduated from Gorman High School in 1993 and Tarleton State University in 1998. She is employed as a teacher and coach at North Ridge Middle School in North Richland Hills. The groom attended Cisco Junior College and Hardin Simmons University. He is employed by Blue Cross Blue Shield in Richardson. The couple is residing in Fort Worth after a honeymoon Caribbean Cruise to Cozumel, Calica

## Athletic Booster Club Activities Planned

The Athletic Booster Club will be having Monthly Meeting on the last Wednesday of the month at 8:00 p.m. The Booster Club will give out awards to the athletes of the week at the monthly meeting. Everyone is invited to attend.

On September 8th, The Athletic Booster Club will host a "MEET THE ATHLETES" on the first Junior High Football game. Hamburger, chips and drink will be \$5.00. A photographer will be present to take pictures for a fee.

The Athletic Booster Club will be selling tickets on a Drawing for a 700 Remington 223 Rifle to be given away at the October 28th football game. The rifle was donated by Lone Cedar Country Club. Tickets are \$1.00 each or 6 for \$5.00.

The Athletic Booster Club is planning to host an Enchilada Supper before the Homecoming Football Game on October 7th. For take out orders call Julie Clark at 734-2257, Vickie Brown at 734-4051, Becky Laminack at 734-3263, Becky Swanner at 734-2480 or Angela Underwood at 734-3243.

## 50th Year Class Reunion For Class Of 1955

The Gorman Senior Class of 1955 will be holding their 50th Class Reunion on September 10, 2005 in conjunction with Ex-Students Association Homecoming. Register for Homecoming at 8 a.m. in front of Old Post Office. Also at High School at 1:30 p.m. Evening meal will be at ZJ's Steakhouse at 7 p.m.

For more information call Woodrow Browning at 254-734-2756 - Howard Hagood at 254-734-2977 or Ernestine Campbell at 254-639-2476.

## Notice of Meeting

Notice is hereby given that Eastland County Commissioner's Court will meet in a Special Called meeting at 10:00 a.m. on Thursday, August 25, 2005 in Eastland County Commissioner's Courtroom, Eastland, Texas, to consider the following agenda items:

1. Public hearing on proposed Records Archive Plan for County Clerk's Office

Posted by order of Eastland County Commissioner's Court

Any of the above and foregoing agenda items, which require action, may be acted upon by the Commissioner's Court.

## AARP Drive Safely Class

Gorman Senior Center - Sept. 21 thru Sept. 22  
12-4 each day. To register, call 254-96502145

## Gorman Gets Last Tune-Up Before Season/Home Opener



The Gorman varsity football team traveled to Fort Worth Nolan to take on Muenster Sacred Heart in a scrimmage this past Friday. The Panthers looked good at times, but made some early season mistakes that Muenster capitalized on and therefore defeated the Panthers 3-0. Gorman showed some promise with a big completion in its first set of plays as Kennon Hornback hit Armando Giles for a 46 yd connection. Rejinaldo Sanchez added some excitement with 44 yd run in the first teams second set of plays. Defensively the Panthers had some difficulty containing Muenster's senior tailback which was 6'0 180 pounds and ran a 4.4 40 yd dash. "I feel we played a little like we practiced last week. With the weather, a kid out here and there, we just weren't very consistent in practice so that is how we played in the scrimmage Friday. The good thing is we got a lot of work in and we can correct the mistakes we made. I didn't see any quitters or things that can kill a team. What I saw was a lot of youth learning on the job."

The Panthers have little time to prepare as their season and home opener are coming up this Friday. Gorman will be taking on the Cardinals from Hermleigh here in Gorman this Friday. Hermleigh has scrimmaged Clarendon (Preseason #20) and Petersburg. The Cardinals lost to Gorman last year 14-27. Hermleigh returns 6 offensive and 7 defensive players from last year's team. They will be under the direction of a new head coach in Danny Brittain. Coach Brittain comes from Lancaster where he served as an assistant. The Cardinals will base out of a split back veer offense and they will mix some one back in as well. They have a decent sized offensive line and a quality running back. Their defensive set will be a base 50 look that incorporates a big defensive line. "We are excited about opening the season especially here at home. We hope everyone will come out and support our boys. They have worked extremely hard and we are proud of the work they have done so far. We will be learning from every snap this year, but I promise you our boys will give all they have. Come out and let them hear you this Friday at 7:30 pm!!!!"

We have finished our two-a-days workouts this past week and school has officially started. We are now at 20 total high school football players. Their roster should appear in the paper this week, but I wanted to mention them here as well: The Seniors are Zachary Bryan (team captain) and Armando Giles. The Juniors are David Ibarra (team captain), Rejinaldo Sanchez (team captain), Pete Ramirez, and Brian Greer. The Sophomores are John Torres (team captain), Corey Clark, Aaron Keith, Orlando Valenzuela, Seth Cochran, Seth Johnson, Kennon Hornback, Paul Burt, Toby Darville, and Daniel Shirley. The Freshmen are Tyson Swanner, Matt Underwood, Matthew Cogburn, and Gabriel Burt.

Team Roster Shown inside this issue

and Playa La Ya Del Carmen. Accompanying the couple on the cruise was Hurricane Emily.

-Coach Tyson

## Glorify In Concert At Bride Of Christ Church Sunday, Aug. 28

Bro. Denver Rainey invited the Community to attend this Concert. Glorify is a Southern Gospel Duet. Members are Daryl Hirst and Brenda Thomas.

Come and enjoy an evening of southern gospel music.

There is no admission. A Love Offering will be taken. Everyone is welcome to attend.



## Hey Kids!!!

It's time once again for the Little Goober Parade, Saturday, September 10. Kids need to be at the Inspection Service parking lot by 9:15 and judging will start at 9:30. This year's theme is Support Our Hometown Heritage. Categories are Bikes, Pets and Miscellaneous.

Thanks, Amber Scitem

## Peanut Festival Parade Set

Gorman Peanut Festival Parade Committee

Julie Clark: Chairman  
P O Box 607  
Gorman, TX. 76454

Parade date: September 10, 2005

This year we will be honoring Gorman's Hometown Heritage. There are many families, churches and businesses that contributed to the foundation of Gorman and we wish to honor them. We invite you to be a part of our celebration by taking part in our parade.

Our categories that will be judged are Bands, Cheer or Pep Squad, Businesses, Civic, Services, Sweethearts on floats and cars, Special and Unique (i.e.: four wheelers, unusual bicycles, etc.), Antique Cars, Tractors, and Horse Riders and Clubs.

Please return this form by mail to the above address or you may call 254-734-2257. Please enter the gate in front of the football field and you will be directed from there.

Judging will begin promptly at 9:00 A.M. If you are not in line at that time, you will not be judged. There are no exceptions.

I, \_\_\_\_\_, agree to release and discharge from liability, the Gorman Peanut Festival Association, all officers, and members, from any and all damages or injuries, losses, judgments or claims, sustained from any cause connected to my/our participation in this parade.

Signature

Date

# Obituaries

## Oscar L. Cogburn

Oscar L. Cogburn, 63, of De Leon was born January 20, 1942 to the late Otho and Minnie Echols Cogburn.

He was married to Winnie Stephens on March 22, 1960 in Hot Springs, Arkansas.

He was a farmer; construction worker; resided in De Leon area all of his life.

He was a member of Church of Christ and a Veteran of U.S. Army.

Survivors include: his wife, Winnie Cogburn of De Leon; one son, Oscar "Doc" Cogburn and wife Kay of Gorman; brothers Kenneth Cogburn of Comanche, Wayne and Jed Cogburn, both of Stephenville and Terry Cogburn of Proctor; four sisters, Sue Simms of Tolar, Shirley Davis of Brownwood, Kathy Clark of Cleburne and Debra Cogburn of Granbury; three grandchildren, Dylan Cogburn of Irving, and Nicole and Matthew Cogburn, both of Gorman.

He was preceded in death by four brothers, Dean, Donald, Eddie and Roger Cogburn.

His graveside services were held Sunday, August 21, 2005 at 2 p.m. at Oliver Springs Cemetery with Jackie Auvenshine officiating and assisted by LaResie Wilkerson.

Pallbearers were John Kleinhan, Robert Moore, Jimmy Dale Johnson, David Lloyd, Steve Singleton and Neil Singleton.



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## Paul James Davis, Sr

Services were held for Paul James Davis, Sr., 84, of Zavalla, Texas on Friday, August 19, 2005 at 10:30 a.m. at Nowlin Funeral Home Chapel with interment at De Leon Cemetery.

He was born August 28, 1920 in Cisco, Texas to the late Albert J. and Emma Tucker Davis. He died Monday, August 15, 2005 at Woodland Heights Medical Center in Lufkin, TX.

Mr. Davis was a WWII veteran in the U.S. Navy; member Church of Christ in Zavalla; graduated from high school and attended the University of Houston for 2 years; electrician with IBEW Union #716 in Houston.

He is survived by his wife, Rosa Lee Davis; son Paul James "Jamie" Davis II, of Austin; daughter Nancy Davis of Zavalla; sister Naomi "Tinsie" Duncan of Mesa, AZ; three grandchildren, Paul James Davis III and wife Stacey, Andrea Hagemann and husband Kevin and Nancy Dee Walker, five great grandchildren, Seth, Taylor, Kayla, Darbi and Blaine.

He was preceded in death by a brother, Lawrence Davis and three sisters, Betty McDonald, Helen Ezzell, and Mary Bostain.

## Services Held For James "Jim" Montgomery

Jim Montgomery, 78, of Gorman passed away on Saturday, August 20, 2005 at an Abilene Hospital. Graveside services were at 10:00 a.m. Wednesday, August 24, 2005 in the Murray Cemetery with Rev. Richard Watson officiating. Burial with military honors was held under the direction of Edwards Funeral Home in Eastland, Tx.

Jim was born on May 31, 1927 in Spur, Texas to Pleasant and Maudie Thompson Montgomery. He was a graduate of Gorman High School. He served during World War II as a U. S. Navy Veteran, UDT Underwater Demolition Technician. He moved to Fort Worth, Texas and owned and operated an electric company for several years and later went to work for Brown and Root as an electrical engineer superintendent for 20 years. Jim moved back to Gorman, where he lived until his death.

Jim is survived by five children, nephews and nieces; Sully Montgomery and wife Glee of San Angelo, Glenda Wright and Randy Hensley both of Lake Buchanan and Helen Marie Cosler of Orange, Calif. Special friends, Bob and Brenda Hammontree, Cindy Arnett and Bob Huggins, all of Gorman and many, many others in the local area.

The following tribute was written about him by an anonymous author and folks here thought it would fit for the life of Jim.

*Montgomery  
That old man had seen the world  
traveled far and wide, deep and high  
He'd done all there was to do  
from ocean dives to cowboy rides  
He learned to be strong and wise  
his heart always kind - never blind  
He now shares with me his world  
with his insight I see new light  
He's opened my eyes to life  
made me a friend until the end  
Lessons learned will last forever  
from him to me given for free  
I will remember the man  
forever clearly - Montgomery  
1-24-95 - Author Unknown*

## "Thank You"

Desdemona Homecoming Committee would like to say "Thanks" to each and everyone who helped in any way with the recent Homecoming and School Reunion. It is wonderful to know that we all can work together and continue this annual event for years to come. Vonnie Keith Guthery Homecoming Secretary

## Help Wanted:

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In order to do these things, we must raise money to purchase the items, and one way that we can raise money for the kids is to let you know of their need. We have 28 Eastland County children in foster care as this letter is being written, and many of those children are experiencing love and proper care for the first time in their young lives. The number of children that are placed in foster care throughout the year varies, but each time, the Child Welfare Board provides for their needs while in foster care. The State has, out of necessity, had to cut funding in so many areas, and communities have had to step in and pick up the load. We are asking you to help us carry that load... for the children.

Will you help us? Your donations and contributions will enable us to continue providing shoes, clothing, and other necessities for these children. Please open your hearts, as have the foster parents who care for children of Eastland County, and send your generous donation to Eastland County Child Welfare Board, 1331 E. Main, Eastland, TX 76448. Please make checks payable to Eastland County CWB. Thank you!

- CWB Members:
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## Salary Increases Approved For County Officials

The Eastland County Commissioners Court has approved salary increases for elected county officials for the 2006 fiscal year beginning October, 1905.

Salary increases ranged from \$588 up to \$1,920. The County Judge will receive \$67,087, up from \$65,967. The County Sheriff will receive \$33,920 up from \$32,000. The County Clerk, District Clerk, the J.P.'s from Pct. 1, 2, and 4, the County Treasurer, Tax Assessor and Commissioners of Pct. 1, 2, 3, and 4 will each receive \$29,988 up from \$29,400. The Precinct 1 Constable will get \$16,810 up from \$16,480, and the Constable of Pct. 2 and 4 will receive \$10,012 up from \$9,815. \$10,000 of the County Judge's salary is paid by a State supplement.

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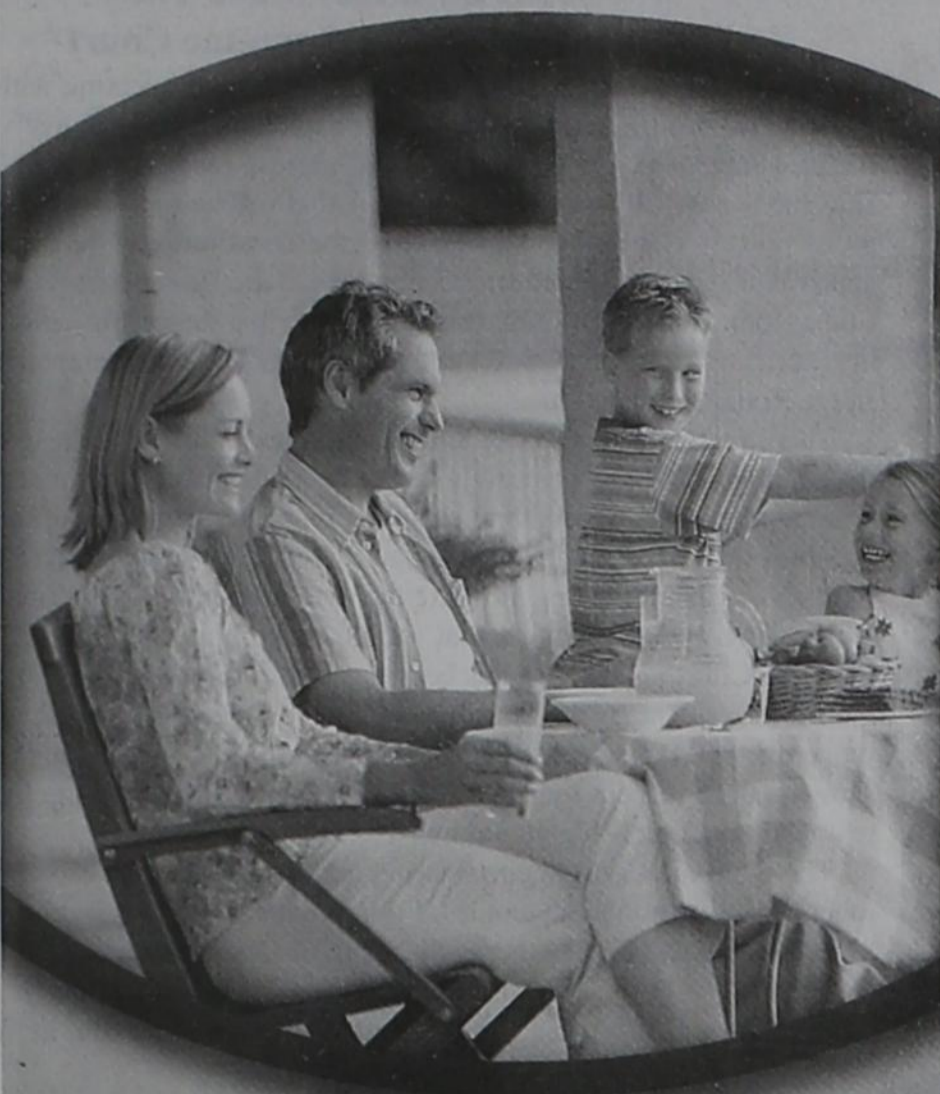
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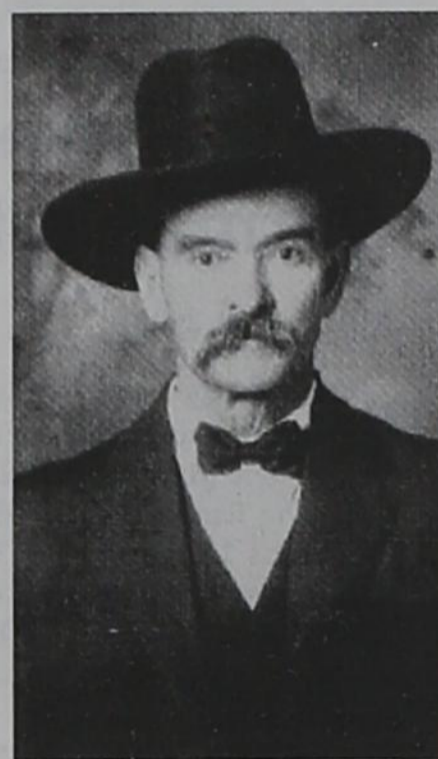
## Murder Nets Dalls Man 60 Years In Prison

This past week, twelve citizens of this community, sitting as jurors in the 91<sup>st</sup> District Court, convicted and sentenced JAMES TONY STOGNER, a Dallas County resident, to sixty years confinement in the Institutional Division of the Texas Department of Criminal Justice and assessed a (\$5,000.00) five thousand dollar fine. Stogner had entered a plea of not guilty to the felony murder charge and had asked the jury to assess punishment. Jury selection began on August 12, 2005 and the trial concluded on Friday, August 19, 2005. The Honorable Judge Steven Herod presided at the trial. Prosecuting attorneys from the Criminal District Attorneys Office were Russ Thomason and Brenda Seale Gray. Representing the defense were Dallas attorneys Colleen Dunbar and John Read.

On December 30, 2003, James Matthew Walker died on a hunting lease in the Kokomo area in Eastland County after having been shot with a 9mm ruger pistol. Walker was found in the drivers seat of his 1998 Ford Ranger pickup. Walker was pronounced dead at the scene by Justice of the Peace Jack Graham.



Pictured L-R are: Billie Stewart, Joy Rogers and (standing) Carolyn Foster and Faye Scitern. They are assembling pictures and historical accounts of their relatives who played key roles in the establishment of the Church of Christ in Gorman. Joyce's great grandfather, T.A. Eison, Sr. spearheaded the building of the original church building in 1905. Historical accounts from the 1893-1973 Centennial and church records state that he accepted responsibility for the note of the loan of that building and when all the pledges did not come through, he paid off the loan himself!



T. A. Eison, Sr.



Edd Wright



Henry Scitern

Others who gave selflessly when the new building was built in 1950-51 were Edd Wright, Billie's grandfather and Henry Scitern, Carolyn's and Faye's father. These and other early contributors will be highlighted in the historical displays during the celebration on Sunday September 11 at the Church of Christ. The church has an extensive historical library thanks to Linda Simmons who has served as church historian for many years. The library will also be on display during the celebration on September 11.

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<p><b>2003 Chevrolet Suburban LS</b> White / Gray Cloth - 5.3 - Auto - W/L - T/C - CD - Cassette Stock #5965A</p> <p><b>\$23,950.00</b> + TT&amp;L</p>	<p><b>2003 Chevrolet 1/2 T. Ext. Cab</b> White / Gray - 5.3 - T/C - AM/FM - Great Work Truck Stock #5899A</p> <p><b>\$14,495.00</b> + TT&amp;L</p>

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**Hey Kids!!!**

It's time once again for the Little Goober Parade, Saturday, September 10. Kids need to be at the Inspection Service parking lot by 9:15 and judging will start at 9:30. This year's theme is Support Our Hometown Heritage. Categories are Bikes, Pets and Miscellaneous.

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## 2005 Goober Gourmet Cook-Off Gorman Peanut Festival - Sept. 10th

The Goober Gourmet Cook-Off gives contestants of all ages an opportunity to create gourmet delights with the always versatile peanut. To enter the cook-off, please bring entries to the Senior Citizens Building in Gorman (downtown next to City Hall) on Saturday, September 10 from 8:30 a.m. to 9:45 a.m. Judging will begin after the parade at approximately 10:45 a.m. Results will be available by 1:00 p.m. All entries will be displayed with the name of the person entering the item, the recipe, and awards given until 2:30 p.m.

Categories to be judged include: Cakes, pies, cookies, candy, and snacks/appetizers.

There will be four age groups: Pre-K through 2<sup>nd</sup> grade, 3<sup>rd</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> grade, High School, and Adults.

All recipes must include peanuts or peanut products.

Each contestant must bring a copy of the recipe with their name, age, and category on the back of the recipe card (the recipe will not be returned).

Entries will be limited to one entry per category per person. Contestants may enter more than one category.

Entries should be presented on a disposable plate and covered with clear plastic (may be clear plastic wrap or clear plastic cake dome).

Entries must be made by the contestant entering the item.

**Judges' decisions are final.**

The Gorman Goober Cook-Off, Peanut Festival, and volunteers in either group are not responsible for entries left after pickup time at 3:00 p.m.

For more information, contact Melinda Harrington or Martha Harrington at (254) 734-2150.

We look forward to having even more entries than last year. See you on September 10.

## Super Notes

By David K. Perry

School has started and it is great to be in Gorman, Texas! It is also great to be a part of the Gorman Independent School District. Everyone that I have met so far has been extremely nice and very encouraging. Just in case you do not know who I am, I am the new superintendent and I will be writing an article for the paper each week when it is possible. I hope that this will help everyone in our school community to be better informed about all the great things going on at the Gorman schools.

Last Thursday, we had a "meet the teacher" night. If you missed it, don't worry. We will have an open House at both campuses sometime the first six weeks. I will make sure it is well publicized. You might want to go ahead and mark Thursday, September 8th on your calendars. That will be "Meet the Panthers" night. The Panthers are looking good in practice and at the scrimmages. I am looking forward to a good year of football. I heard someone say that we had a very young team this year and that they were not very big and that's the truth. But, I have faith in our coaches' abilities to capitalize on our boys speed, agility, and determination. I look forward to seeing the stands full on game nights and the crowd cheering. Believe me, it makes a difference. You being there will make a difference! Attitude may not be everything, but it is extremely important!

Please mark the following dates on your calendar:

8/26 Football here 7:30

8/27 Volleyball tournament at Abilene Christian

Most of you are probably already aware that Kestan Pierce was seriously injured in an accident last weekend. He is in Dallas Children's Medical Center, 1935 Motor Street, Room AO292, Dallas, Texas 75235. I am sure he and his family would enjoy hearing from everyone that wants to write.

The last few weeks have been very exciting getting ready for school to begin, but it is nothing compared to seeing the students return to school. These buildings are just empty meaningless shells without your children in them. I assure you that we will do our very best to give your children the best education possible regardless of what the politicians in Austin do or don't do. We have a "no excuses" attitude when it comes to your child's education and welfare. If ever you have a concern regarding your child, please don't hesitate to call your child's teacher, the principal, or me. If there is a problem, we want to fix it. That's why we are here!

We have a completely new administrative team at Gorman ISD this year. Besides myself being new, the new principal at the elementary campus is Mrs. Mary Reeves and the new principal at the secondary campus is Mr. Rick Panter. I believe both of these campus leaders will do an extraordinary job this year. As an administrative team, we have high expectations for our faculty, staff, and students this year. All of us have an open door policy and look forward to visiting with you if the need should arise. And remember, you can stop by to visit anytime. There does not have to be a problem for you to stop and visit.

I want to take this opportunity to brag on our teachers and all the hard work they have done to get their rooms looking sharp for the opening day. They have been very receptive to the new leadership on both campuses. The teachers all seem equally excited about the great year we are about to experience.

Even greater recognition and appreciation goes to our maintenance and custodial staff who have done an outstanding job of getting the facilities ready to begin school. The school looks great! A clean, great looking school helps keep everyone's attitude positive and focused on our students.

Last but not least, all of the ladies working in my office and the offices of the principals, thank you for making the transition of new administrators so painless. You are such an important part of the school and I appreciate all that you do. Your dedication to this school is one of the things that make it a great place to be.

We have been trying to update the school website which is: <http://www.gorman.esc14.net/>. If you have a connection to the Internet, you can access the school calendar and much more. We are insisting that all teachers maintain an up to date webpage. We may be a little slow to begin with because Mr. Sloan is recovering from an auto accident and we don't know exactly when he will be returning to work. We have hired someone else to help us out temporarily. So check us out! If you have any suggestions, e-mail them to me or come by and visit. My e-mail address is on my webpage.

In future articles, I will be sharing information with you that the teachers and the community have sent to me. I will focus mainly on school and community activities and personal experiences. Occasionally, I may comment on proposed legislation or school needs and request that you call or write to politicians. I will also use this article to clarify comments coming out of Austin that are often less than the truth. A good example of this would be the latest inflammatory and misleading comments made by Speaker of the House, Tom Craddick where he blamed superintendents for the failure of school finance reform. Nothing could be further from the truth. The majority of the superintendents of this great state of ours worked together for all of the children of Texas insisting on equitable funding for all. It is the duty and responsibility of the superintendent to explain the impact of legislative proposals locally and to their legislators. The truth of what happened this summer is that the majority of legislators were representing their districts and acting in the best interest of their communities and the children they represent. If our leadership at the Capitol needs someone to blame for the lack of meaningful educational finance reform, they need only to look in the mirror.

Parents, grandparents, friends of the family, and anyone else that help a student with their homework, thank you! Statistics show that children that have help at home with their homework do better over all in school. Children need the interaction with someone other than school personnel when it comes to homework. Children also need to read or be read to as much as possible! Reading is the foundation of your child's education. If you are too tired to read to your child at the end of the day or if you have an older student that is just too tuckered out after a long day at school to do any additional reading, you might try purchasing a book on tape or CD or checking one out of the Library. You might even enjoy listening with them.

I cannot emphasize the importance of you, the community, being involved at school. I want to make it perfectly clear that you are welcome. Anyone that wishes to volunteer in any way will find themselves busily engaged. It takes the community to raise a child and it also takes the communities involvement for a school to be extremely successful. And that's what we want your children to be, not just successful, but extremely successful at everything they do whether it is academics or sports or even an outside hobby. Remember, this is your school; these are your children; and these children are your future! Come help us shape the future.

David K. Perry  
Superintendent  
Gorman ISD

## A Word in Season

By Pastor Dane Gressett  
JUDGE NOT?

*"Do not judge and you will not be judged. By your standard of measure it will be measured to you as well."* (Matthew 7:1)

For several weeks I have been discussing the issue of attaching "significance" to the actions of others. It is my belief that the biggest part of our emotional turmoil and interpersonal conflict can be blamed on this one issue. When I judge the motives of others, I invariably make their actions into a statement that attacks my own personal worth. In so doing I create my own emotional reality. Never mind that my perception is at best faulty! The other person might think that I am a great person, but after I decide that he or she doesn't care for me I get "measured" to me in my own emotions what I have "measured out" in judgment!

On the other hand, when Jesus said "Do not judge", He couldn't possibly have meant to turn a blind eye toward evil actions. In the same Biblical passage He warns us about wolves in sheep's clothing! And He tells us that we "will know a tree by its fruit". So Jesus is obviously not telling us that it is wrong to have an opinion about the actions of others! If you run the stop sign and crash into my car, it's not judging for me to say, "Hey, you ran the stop sign and totaled my car!" That's the simple observable fact of the matter. Crashing my car has very little power to deeply affect my life, however, unless I go home and stew over the matter and start entertaining thoughts about your motives. Then I'm "judging". Perhaps I think: "He ran that stop sign on purpose. He's still bitter over me not paying him for that hay he baled for me last year." Now we've created a deeper problem.

And here we find a key to why we are often tempted to judge the motives of others: we may have a guilty conscience ourselves! Sin is a real issue. It may not be politically correct in our day to talk about it. But the fact remains. Jesus is not telling us to avoid dealing with sin. He just wants us to get the log out of our own eye before we try to perform surgery on others! (Comments or questions?)

## Unapproved Minutes Of Gorman City Commission

AUGUST 19, 2005

The Gorman City Commission met on the above date. Those present were Mayor Robert Ervin, Mayor Pro Tem Nathan Files, Commissioners Joe Casey, and Tony Carter. Absent was Charlie Torrez. Others present were Lori Dodd. Please note that Mayor Ervin arrived about ten minutes late.

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

Mayor Pro Tem Files called the meeting to order at 5:40 p.m.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read. Joe made the motion to approve them as read. Tony made a second. Motion carried 3-0.

Joe made the motion to approve the bills for payment. Tony made a second and the motion carried 3-0. Also included with the bills, Nathan made the motion to pay for the trophies for the Cook Off during the Peanut Festival in lieu of a contribution to the festival committee. Joe made a second and the motion carried 3-0.

Lori Dodd was present to finalize the Solid Waste Technical Study. Tony made a motion to approve the final Solid Waste Tech. Study. Nathan made a second and the motion carried 3-0. This study, county wide, will be a tool used in the bidding process of solid waste collections.

Joe made a motion to amend the Police Dept. budget to reflect the hiring of another officer. The budget will be amended as: \$14,560.00 salaries; \$ 1113.84 payroll tax expense, and \$2070.00 insurance. Nathan made a second and motion carried 3-0.

Joe made the motion to adopt the NIMS Resolution. Tony made a second and the motion carried 3-0. NIMS stands for National Incident Management System. This is the preferred method of instituting a consistent nationwide approach for Federal, State, Local, and tribal governments to work effectively and efficiently together to prepare for emergency situations.

Discussion on Upper Leon's up coming rate increase was tabled until the next meeting. The City Commission doesn't feel like the City can absorb another rate increase without passing it on to the utility customer. The Commission had previously hoped that the last increase would be sufficient to allow for future rate increases, but Upper Leon has notified as of October 1, 2005 rate will increase by 8.4%.

Property Clean Up was addressed and discussed. The Commission will be pursuing this issue more diligently and citations will be written rather than more letters pleading to the property owner to care for their lots. Numerous citizens

have expressed that they are aggravated with the carelessness and unsightliness that some residents have. If a formal complaint is filed, a citation will be issued.

A reminder of the curfew will be published.

There being no further business for discussion Tony made the motion to adjourn with a second from Joe. Motion carried 3-0, time was 7:00 p.m.

## CHILD FIND REFERRAL

The children of Texas come in all sizes, shapes, colors, and abilities. They do not all learn the same way, but they all learn. Do you know of an infant, child, or young adult who does not learn easily or who has an impairment that might affect his/her success in life?

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## -- Randy's Roundup --

A Weekly Newsletter from Congressman Randy Neugebauer  
August 22, 2005

### President Bush Has Made The Right Choice For The Supreme Court

With members of Congress back in their districts meeting with their constituents during August, our nation's capital has been relatively quiet the past few weeks. However, when Congress reconvenes after Labor Day, the Senate will begin work on a task that will be sure to cause quite a bit of noise. The task at hand will be the constitutional duty to either approve or reject President Bush's nominee to the United States Supreme Court: John Roberts. I think it is imperative that the confirmation hearings focus on issues that matter and that Senators do not attempt to smear Judge Roberts' reputation.

There are many legal issues that the Supreme Court will have to face in the coming years, and we need justices who understand the proper constitutional role of the judicial branch sitting on the highest court of the land.

From what I have read about Judge Roberts, President Bush made the right choice in nominating him for the Supreme Court. He is a smart man with a lengthy legal resume that should make him well suited to be a Supreme Court justice. He has been an adviser to President Reagan and the first President Bush. And for the past few years he has served as a judge on the D.C. Circuit Court of Appeals. Most importantly, he has shown a deep respect for the Constitution and has adhered strictly to its text when crafting his legal opinions.

The Supreme Court begins hearing arguments again on Monday, October 3rd. When that day comes, I hope Judge Roberts is in his rightful place, seated next to the other eight Supreme Court justices.

--Randy

Previous Roundups can be found on my website at [http://www.randy.house.gov/newsroom\\_roundup.shtml](http://www.randy.house.gov/newsroom_roundup.shtml)

## ITEMS OF INTEREST

### INTENTIONAL INTERIM MINISTRY

This Sunday, August 21, Barry Schahn with the Intentional Interim Ministry will fill the pew at First Baptist Church, in view of a call as interim pastor. We would like to encourage all members of First Baptist Church to be present for this very important Sunday Service. Deacons of First Baptist Church.

**Child Safety Seat Classes** will be held the first Wednesday of each month at the Gorman Community Center @ 7 p.m., and on the third Wednesday of each month at Eastland Memorial Hospital @ 7p.m. This is a free class. Call 734-4526 or 734-5989 To Sign Up.

### Charlie Garrett Memorial Library

Open Tuesday mornings 9 a.m. to 12 noon (through summer)

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

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

**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.

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

### FOOD BANK

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

### Boy Scouts

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

**SANDRA CAGLE WILL BE IN GORMAN AT THE CITY OFFICE TO RENEW AUTO LICENSE PLATES. HER NEXT VISIT - WEDNESDAY SEPTEMBER 21ST FROM 9-11 A.M.**

**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.

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

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

### 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Shin Oak Springs B B Q Cook-Off

Saturday September 10, 2005  
Official Start Time 5:00 p.m. Friday  
Downtown Gorman, Texas

In Conjunction With The Gorman Peanut Festival  
Chairpersons: Shawn Boles and Tacy Warren

Lone Star Barbecue Society Sanctioned Event  
BEEF BRISKET ~ 1/2 CHICKEN ~ PORK SPARE RIBS  
Cash Prizes, Trophies, & Prizes  
1<sup>ST</sup> THROUGH 3<sup>RD</sup> PLACE PLAQUES IN ALL MEAT CATEGORIES II  
PLAQUES GIVEN TO GRAND CHAMPION, BEST/MOST UNIQUE PIT,  
FARTHEST TRAVELED, AND BEST DECORATED AREA I

Turn in Times: Will be announced at cook's meeting on Saturday @ 9:00 a.m.  
ENTRY FEE: \$50.00 for ONE or ALL meat categories  
JACKPOT BEANS: \$10.00 Entry Fee - 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup> Place Plaques  
Jackpot Beans have an 80% payback.

### RULES & REGULATIONS

- You do not have to be a member of the LONE STAR BARBECUE SOCIETY to enter this cook-off.
- Contestants must check in at a Cook-Off headquarters. OFFICIAL START TIME IS 5 P.M. FRIDAY.
- Contestants must furnish meat, pit, wood, sauce, etc. ONLY BEANS MAY BE COOKED ON GAS GRILL.
- All meat and beans subject to inspection. NO PRE-COOKED OR PRE-SEASONED MEAT, NO DUG PITS.
- Contest meats are not to be sampled by the general public or judges prior to judging.
- ALL ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES MUST BE CONFINED TO THE COOK-OFF AREA. The Chief Cook will be responsible for the cleanliness of their area & for the conduct of the team. Misconduct or violations of rules will disqualify team.
- ELECTRICAL HOOKUPS \$10.00 (LIMIT ONE) First come First served. 8 electrical hook ups available at this time - hope to have more\*\*
- RAIN OR SHINE - NO REFUNDS \*\*2 PARKING PERMITS PER ENTRY\*\*  
Mail to: Shin Oak Springs B B Q Cook-Off, P.O. Box 321, Gorman, TX 76454.  
Phones: Daytime 8-5, (254)734-2317, or 2505. Or after 5 you may call (254)734-4103, (254)647-1190, (254)734-5017, or (254)977-0935.  
Fax (254)734-2270. Email: [tacywarren@hotmail.com](mailto:tacywarren@hotmail.com)

### 2005 PRE-REGISTRATION FORM

TEAM \_\_\_\_\_  
CHIEF COOK \_\_\_\_\_  
ASSISTANTS \_\_\_\_\_  
MAILING ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_  
CITY \_\_\_\_\_ STATE \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP CODE \_\_\_\_\_  
\$50.00 FOR ONE OR ALL MEATS: BEEF BRISKET \_\_\_\_\_ 1/2 CHICKEN \_\_\_\_\_ PORK SPARE RIBS \_\_\_\_\_  
\$10.00 FOR JACKPOT BEANS TOTAL ENTRY FEE: \_\_\_\_\_  
\$10.00 ELECTRICAL HOOK-UPS Paid By: \_\_\_\_\_ Check \_\_\_\_\_ Cash \_\_\_\_\_

I AGREE to abide by the rules & regulations as started above & further agree that I will not hold the Shin Oak Springs BBQ Cook-Off Council or the City of Gorman liable for damages to person, property, or theft of merchandise or displays in the sale.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

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Gorman Progress

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## Neugebauer To Host Events In Callahan, Eastland Counties

Washington, DC - Congressman Randy Neugebauer will be hosting a series of "Coffee with the Congressman" events across Callahan and Eastland counties on Wednesday, August 24 and Thursday, August 25. Neugebauer will provide updates on important 2005 legislative accomplishments as well as answer questions from constituents at each of the "Coffees."

Neugebauer will be in Cross Plains and Clyde on August 24. He will then head to Cisco, Eastland, Ranger, and Gorman on August 25. The "Coffees" will be held at the following locations:

Wednesday, August 24	
Cross Plains	Jean's Feed Barn - 349 W. Hwy 36 - 12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m.
Clyde	Clyde Chamber of Commerce - 614 N. 1st Street - 2:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Thursday, August 25	
Cisco	Hilton Hotel - 309 Conrad Hilton Avenue - 9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.
Eastland	Connellee Hotel - 209 W. Main Street - 10:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.
Ranger	Ranger Community Center - 718 Pine Street - 1:30 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.
Gorman	Gorman Community Center - 120 S. Kent Street - 3:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

## 2005 Gorman Panther Varsity

Number	name	position	ht	weight	class
20	Gabe Burt	rb/lb	5'9	140	9 <sup>th</sup>
84	Matthew Cogburn	se/db	5'2	110	9 <sup>th</sup>
7	Tyson Swanner	qb/db	5'9	120	9 <sup>th</sup>
30	Matt Underwood	rb/lb	5'10	135	9 <sup>th</sup>
56	Corey Clark	te/dl	5'9	170	10 <sup>th</sup>
64	Seth Cochran	ol/lb	6'1	160	10 <sup>th</sup>
72	Toby Darville	ol/dl	5'9	165	10 <sup>th</sup>
14	Kennon hornback	qb/db	5'8	135	10 <sup>th</sup>
77	Seth Johnson	ol/dl	5'9	265	10 <sup>th</sup>
44/60	Aaron Keith	te/lb	5'9	140	10 <sup>th</sup>
50	Paul Pirt	ol/dl	5'8	165	10 <sup>th</sup>
88	Daniel Shirley	ol/dl	5'5	120	10 <sup>th</sup>
3	John Torres	rb/lb	5'6	140	10 <sup>th</sup>
22	Orlando Valenzuela	se/lb	5'10	145	10 <sup>th</sup>
2	Brian Greer	se/db	5'8	125	11 <sup>th</sup>
54	David Ibarra	ol/dl	5'8	175	11 <sup>th</sup>
65	Pete Ramirez	ol/dl	5'7	180	11 <sup>th</sup>
24	Reginaldo Sanchez	rb/db	5'9	145	11 <sup>th</sup>
74	Zachary Bryan	ol/dl	5'9	175	12 <sup>th</sup>
80	Armando Giles	se/db	5'9	170	12 <sup>th</sup>

Athletic director/head football coach: Coby Rebel Tyson  
 Assistant coaches: James Gerick, Coy Barker, and Howard Cox  
 Superintendent: David perry  
 Principal: Rick Panter  
 Band director: John Howard  
 Drum major: Sharla Perez  
 Twirlers: Nikole Vaughn and Ashleigh Bush  
 Flags: Lindsey Laminack, Sarah Flores, Amanda Brown, Mindy Keaton, Carrie Thetford, and Stormy hurd  
 Cheerleading sponsor: Becky Swanner  
 Cheerleaders: Kendra Swanner, Rosa Herrera, Tecia Jones, Megan Lewis, Brittany Shirley, Audrey Johnston, Sharla Perez, Brandy Carlton, Sandra Lara, and Hollyann Wright (mascot)

## Gorman Police Dept.

### Monthly Police Report --- Chief Coffey

The Gorman Police Department responded to 56 calls of service for the month of July. The calls resulted in: 21 Citations; 5 Warnings; 6 Animals Calls; 1 Accident; 10 Disturbances; 2 Motorist assist; 1 Medical emergencies; 3 Juvenile issues; 2 Welfare checks; 3 Escorts; 1 Emergency Messages and 1 Speak with Officer.

There were 2 investigate able offenses reported.  
 The Police Department would like to remind the citizens of Gorman that there is a City Ordinance on keeping you Dogs in a pen or on a leash. There are a lot of complaints coming on Dogs running at large. There are a lot of complaints about dogs chasing people that are out walking or jogging. We are asking you pet owners to please keep your dogs in pens or on a leash. Anyone found in violation of this Ordinance will be issued a citation and or the animal will be impounded at the Animal Shelter. Anyone caught dumping any animals in or around the City Limits of Gorman could be charged with Cruelty to Animals.

Chief of Police  
Doug Caffey

## Notice of Public Hearing On Tax Increase

Last year, the Eastland County property tax rate was \$0.56. That rate raised \$3,260,808, a portion of which was used to fund operations such as: County offices operations, indigent health care, indigent legal services, elections, Central Appraisal District support, courthouse operations and maintenance, Department of Public Safety support, Texas Ranger support, Texas Parks & Wildlife support, Veterans' Service Officer support, MHMR court costs and support, ambulance service, libraries support, Agricultural Extensions Service, Adult and Juvenile Probation support, juries, Fire Department support, Road and Bridge operations, debt service.

This year, Eastland County is proposing a property tax rate of \$0.56. That rate would raise \$3,464,840, which is \$204,032 more than taxes imposed last year.

There will be two public hearings to consider that increase. The first public hearing will be held on August 29, 2005 10 a.m. at Eastland County Commissioners' Courtroom. The second hearing will be held on September 2, 2005 10 a.m. at Eastland County Commissioners' Courtroom.

You have a right to attend the hearings and make comments. You are encouraged to attend and make comments if you wish.

**The Great Divide**—everyone goes through it, one time or another. Every company, every organization, every person that is involved in a serious commitment, goes through *The Great Divide*. You know what it is...it's that moment in the mind that says "Are you really going to stay with this?"

How does The Great Divide get crossed? One step at a time. But more importantly, it's that first step. The step somebody takes when they decide to *stop waiting around for somebody else to do it*. A recent study showed there is a 60% increase in the chance of success of "making it across" when you have someone willing to make that first step with you! Those are really good numbers!

When it comes to our Community Vision/Strategic Planning, we are there...we are at the Great Divide. We have been at this for four months, over half-way finished. There have been a large number of dedicated individuals that have attended these meetings and made valuable contributions to our community. These individuals have made commitments and have done a fine job taking on a piece of responsibility for making Gorman, new, improved, *what we want it to become...*

Decisions have been made that will affect our community in positive ways for years to come. It may take a year or two to see some of the goals being met, but some of them we will see immediately. We are learning that leadership and success comes as much from not quitting more than innate "leadership skills". Persistence is a key element for success, as well. Our level of dedication is to see this through. We are talking about the future of Gorman. And entire environmental and economical change is headed to Gorman. A true *shift* in our community's basic structure is on the horizon. Due to the changes in economics, we were headed for that environmental and economical change anyway...but NOW we are directing that change, rather than being a victim of it!

Does this sound exciting? Interesting? Talk to your City Commissioners or EDC Board members and let them tell you about it! With your support and involvement, it can happen faster and better than we've imagined!!

## Rebecca White Inducted Into The Delta Mu Delta

Rebecca White, a Tarleton State University student from Gorman, was among over 70 students from the University inducted into the Delta Mu Delta national scholastic honor society.

Tarleton's Zeta Lambda Chapter of Delta Mu Delta recently released the names of students who were added to the national honor society during the 2004-2005 academic year. Delta Mu Delta is a national scholastic honor society in business administration with over 194 collegiate chapters across the United States.

Tarleton's Zeta Lambda Chapter was chartered in 1993 and has been recognized by the national organization for exemplary service on numerous occasions. This past fall, the Tarleton chapter hosted the 2004 Triennial Meeting, a three-day national conference involving several hundred students, faculty advisors and business professionals.

Induction into Delta Mu Delta recognizes high standards and promotes academic excellence. Members must be upperclassmen enrolled in business administration programs and must be in the top 20 percent of their class. Recognized as a symbol of the student's readiness to measure up to the responsibilities of the future, Delta Mu Delta members are highly sought after by the employees in all area of today's job market.

### 2005 Property Tax Rates in the City of Gorman

This notice concerns 2005 property tax rates for the City of Gorman. It presents information about three tax rates. Last year's tax rate is the actual rate the taxing unit used to determine property taxes last year. This year's effective tax rate would impose the same total taxes as last year if you compare properties taxed in both years. This year's rollback tax rate is the highest tax rate the taxing unit can set before taxpayers can start tax rollback procedures. In each case these rates are found by dividing the total amount of taxes by the tax base (the total value of taxable property) with adjustments as required by state law. The rates are given per \$100 of property value.

#### Last year's tax rate:

Last year's operating taxes	\$ 166,959
Last year's debt taxes	\$ -0-
Last year's total taxes	\$ 166,959
Last year's tax base	\$ 23,176,200
Last year's total tax rate	\$ .72039 /\$100

#### This year's effective tax rate:

Last year's adjusted taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property)	\$ 166,948
(Divide)- This year's adjusted tax base (after subtracting value of new property)	\$ 23,813,450
(Equals)= This year's effective tax rate	\$ .70106 /\$ 100

#### This year's rollback tax rate:

Last year's adjusted operating taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property and adjusting for any transferred function, tax increment financing, and/ or enhanced indigent health care expenditures)	\$ 166,948
(Divide)- This year's adjusted tax base	\$ 23,813,450
(Equals)- This year's effective operating rate	\$ .70106 /\$100
(Times)- 1.08 = this year's maximum operating rate	\$ .75714 /\$100
(Plus)- This year's debt rate	\$ -0- /\$100
(Equals)= This year's total rollback rate	\$ .75714 /\$100

#### Statement of Increase/ Decrease

If the City of Gorman adopts a 2005 tax rate equal to the effective tax rate of \$ .70106 per \$ 100 of value, taxes would increase compared to 2004 taxes by \$ 179 .

#### Schedule A- Unencumbered Fund Balances

The following estimated balances will be left in the unit's property tax accounts at the end of the fiscal year. These balances are not encumbered by a corresponding debt obligation.

Type of Property Tax Fund	Balance
Maintenance & Operation	-0-

This notice contains a summary of actual effective and rollback tax rates' calculations.

You can inspect a copy of the full calculations at: Gorman City Hall  
Gorman Tax Office  
Gorman, Texas

Name of person preparing this notice: Steve Thomas, RPA  
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 Date Prepared: August 17, 2005

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# Heritage Manor News

By Nancy Hendricks

## There, But the Grace of God, go I . . .

Last year, my church youth group did a service project where we worked on several projects in order to earn some money to purchase and create some customized stuffed animals to donate to the Child Advocacy Center in town. As Carole Ward, the director of the CAC, visited with me. I wondered why God had handed me my set of circumstances. What I mean is, why didn't I end up being born to a drug-addicted mother, or born in a country that represses its people?

It made me think of the phrase, "There, but for the grace of God, go I." I looked it up: On seeing several criminals being led to the scaffold in the 16th century, John Bradford remarked, "There but for the grace of God, goes John Bradford." His words, without his name, are still very common ones today for expressing one's blessings compared to the fate of another. Bradford was later burned at the stake as a heretic." From the "Encyclopedia of Word and Phrase Origins" by Robert Hendrickson.

I pondered this for a while, when I finally realized that it was an exercise in futility. Everyone has to be born someplace and I realized that it is beyond my understanding how we end up where we are. What was more productive for me through this whole process was to develop a sense of gratitude for what God has given me. I sometimes get a bit egotistical and think that I have earned something on my own merits. But 1 Corinthians 4:7 reminds me that everything I have, I have been given. It is arrogant for me to think I have any good thing that did not originate from God.

Provided By Larry Stogsdill

ATTN: at 2:00 p.m. on Friday, August 26th will be the August Birthday party. Three residents having August birthdays will be honored. There will be refreshments. Relatives and friends are welcome.

Some guests were Mr. and Mrs. Winston, Judy Gilder, Terry Gilder and Curtis Gilder of De Leon and Daisy Slaton.

On Sunday morning coming from the First Baptist Church were James, Ellen and Rachel Tucker and Frances Warren. James taught the lesson, "I Shall Return." Life Question, "How Can I Be Ready For Jesus' Certain Return?" Background passage Luke 21: 5-36. Key verse Luke 21:27. As resident voiced the closing prayer. Nineteen residents and guests Howard and Pat Hagood were present.

Some visitors have been Maudie Husband, Bill Moll, Bobby and Peggy Ingram of Cisco, Sue Pettigrew of Desdemona, Diane Snider, Larry and De Linda Snider of Gorman.

Residents appreciated the good Magazines that Icy Munn donated.

Recent visitors were Bob and Beverly Pharris of Haskell, Billie Craddock of Sundown, Max Grice, Tisha and Daniel Grice of Stephenville, Doris Bennett of Eastland, Joe Bennett, Victor Pena, Veronica and Kimmie Seaton, Kay Ann Craddock, Mary Margaret Hudson, Joy Rogers, Frank and Beth Shirley, Larry Burns of Austin, Carol Matthews, Amber, Jordan and Weldon Scitern, Zelda Jordan and Susan Lipson.

On Sunday afternoon those coming from the Kokomo Baptist Church were Rev. Clarence and Leona Wilson, Woodrow and Helen Browning, Joe Bond, Ruby Lee Kinser and Zelda Jordan. Special Music "Father Along" by Helen, Leona, Woodrow and Joe with Ruby Lee at the piano. Bro. Clarence message from Isaiah 12:1-6. "God has given us the responsibility to learn more about the Lord and share about Him with others. There were five residents attending.

Some guests were Jewel Dean Morris and Bonnie D. Stewart of De Leon, Pam Childers, Annie Fay Foster, Edith Grumbles and Carolyn Gilbert.

On Monday morning at 8:00 residents were happy when Karen Guthery came and opened the beauty shop to style hair.

Some visitors have bene S. E. and Melba Carter of Eastland, Ray and Charlotte Johnson of Desdemona, Pat and Paul Johnson of Lubbock, Clyde and DeSha Johnson of Stephenville and George Rodgers.

Monday morning a group of residents enjoyed a movie in the North Lobby.

Some guests were Dr. Micheal and Marsha Whitehorn of Abilene, Marie Cook of Carbon, Sylvia Estes and Bubba of De Leon, James and Mary Jesse of Fort Worth.

At 11:45 a.m. on Monday residents enjoyed "Noon Trivia."

Visiting were Thomas and Vicki Seay, John and Georgia Lee Hopper of Georgetown, James, Ellen and Rachel Tucker.

On Monday afternoon those coming for the Gospel Singing were Helen Browning, Ernestine Campbell, Ruby Lee Kinser, Daisy Slaton, Nancy Hendricks and Judy Gilder. Ruby Lee, Ernestine and Helen brought the Special "Beautiful Isle." Daisy gave the dismissal prayer. There were fifteen residents present.

Some guests were Bonnie Craft of Lake Leon, Glenn and Gloria Glasson, Max and Janice Grice of Brownwood, Tisha and Daniel Grice of Stephenville and Irene West.

Recent visitors were Woodrow and Helen Browning, Glenn Glasson of Brownfield, Joe Bond, Kay Snider, Ann Maxfield, Nine Skiles, Louise Smart and Nancy Hendricks.

Tuesday morning Dorothy Robert of Desdemona came for Ladies Hair Styling.

Some guests were Neil Files of Carbon, Jimmy and Verna Lee Little of Eastland, Clarence and Leona Wilson of Stephenville.

Tuesday morning at 10:00 Judy Killebrew, Billie Marbel, Jason Killebrew, Jeff Killebrew and Ina Smith had regular Bingo for seven residents.

Visiting were Cecil and Rena Mae Robertson of Brownwood, Donnie and Nelda Mauney, Howard and Pat Hagood, Mary Jeffs, Frances Warren, Billie Marbel.

Tuesday afternoon resident were sure happy to have Betty Duke of Desdemona to come and play the electric keyboard and lead singing.

Some guests were Judy Killebrew, Jason Killebrew, Jeff Killebrew of De Leon, Wilbur Overstreet, James and Ruby Lee Kinser.

On Tuesday at 2:00 p.m. Shawnah Bass had "Caring Hearts For Residents."

Visiting were Larry and Colene Barnett of Wylie, Emmit and Kay Lynn Lasater and Donnie Cate of Eastland, Larry Stogsdill and Billy Earl Simpson.

On Wednesday morning Bro. Larry Stogsdill of Church of Christ came and had Chapel. Subject "Jesus's Victorious Entry." Bible passage Matthew Chapter 21. There were seven residents attending.

Some guests were Jerry Majors and Jarrad Majors of De Leon, Ronnie, Kim and Elizabeth Ryon of Desdemona and Eldon Shipman.

On Thursday Heritage Manor celebrated its First Birthday Fair. Residents were the fair judges. Judging started at 9:30 a.m. There were quilts, afagans, blankets, dolles, pictures. Also canned pickles, marmalade, jelly and pie filling.

There were lots of children who enjoyed outdoor games and liked the prizes.

At Noon an Outdoor Picnic, serving hotdogs, chips and drinks. About 3:00 p.m. everyone enjoyed birthday cake and homemade ice cream.

Judy Killebrew, Billie Marbel and others helped in many ways. So it was a Happy Time for Residents, family, friends, and everybody at Heritage Manor.

Some guests were Dorothy Roberts of Desdemona, Bo and Ann Lee Roberts, Dorothy Roberts, Kendra and Maddox Roberts, Levi Roberts, Shaylor Roberts, Rodney Roberts, Shannon and Trinity Roberts, Winston Brown, Kenard and Doylena Roberts

# KOKOMO NEWS

By Zelda Jordan

Thursday evening, August 18 was a great time for a fish fry as the members of the Kokomo Baptist Church and their guests gathered at the Little Family's cabin at Lake Leon to enjoy all the fish, fries and hush puppies they could eat along with the many desserts and cold drinks. Bro. Clarence Wilson offered the prayer of thanks.

Following the meal, games of dominoes and "train" were enjoyed.

Those enjoying the good food, fun and fellowship were Bro. Clarence and Leona Wilson, Woodrow and Helen Browning, Joe and Glynda Bond, Jimmy and Verna Lee Little, Bobby and Mary Jane Little, Charles and Carolyn Little, Oren and Norma Webb, Daryl and Cecilia Hirst, Jody and Mandy Johnson, Ben, Bailey and Brylee, James and Mary Donham, Delmon Eaves, Gene and Kay Snider, Mike and Crystal Snider, Rachael and Michelle, Alan, Justin and Ally Little, Betty Little, Karen Patterson, Nancy Hendricks, Sylvia Buchanan, Ann Warren, and Zelda Jordan.

The special music at the Sunday morning service at the Kokomo Baptist Church "No One Ever Cared For Me Like Jesus" was beautifully rendered by Woodrow and Helen Browning with Glynda Bond at the piano. Bro. Clarence Wilson's message was from Galations 6:1-8. Birtie Stacy was a visitor. Birtie was also a visitor at the evening service.

Visitors with Nancy Hendricks were Birtie Stacy, Joe and Glynda Bond, Zelda Jordan, Sylvia Buchanan and Lovie Lloyd.

Nelda and Jarad Fails of Arlington came on Friday night for a weekend visit with Jimmy and Verna Lee Little. Others coming for a visit with them on Saturday were Ray Neal and Melissa Little of Eastland, Emily Little and Kourtney of Abilene, and James, Jill, Ashley and Breckley Little of Lake Leon.

Jimmy and Maggie Nelson of Carbon visited with Zelda Jordan on Thursday.

Zelda Jordan and Glenda Black of Abilene spent the weekend in Lubbock with Cindy and Kayla Jordan. On Saturday Zelda, Glenda, Cindy, and Clinton Fawver of Welch attended the 50th wedding anniversary celebration for Barbara and Bo Bell at the Assembly of God Church fellowship hall in Denver City, where Barbara and Bo repeated their wedding vows. Glenda and Zelda returned to Abilene on Sunday and Zelda spent Sunday night with Glenda before returning to her home on Monday. She also enjoyed a visit with a great granddaughter, Emily Daniell, who was

# Desdemona News

By  
Vonnie  
Guthery

Desdemona Monthly Musical will be held on Saturday, August 27th at the community Center. The concession stand will open at 5:30 p.m. serving sandwiches, homemade pie and drinks. All area musicians, singers and visitors are invited to attend. Come early to enjoy supper and have fellowship with the group before the music program begins at 6:00 p.m. The Blue Valley Bluegrass Band of Fort Worth have plans to attend this musical. Earl Clark is the manager of this group and they enjoy attending musicals in this area. Make plans to attend for an enjoyable evening.

Robert and Ima Brown was in Brownfield on Tuesday to attend the funeral of John Glenn Stroup. John is a cousin to Robert. John Glenn attended school in Desdemona with the Class of 1949. Our sincere sympathy goes out to this family.

Roy and Angela Powlede and children, Colin, Kaley and Lane hosted a birthday party for Vonnie Guthery on Thursday, August 18. Others attending were Pug Guthery, Karen Eaves, Lorin Eaves, Holly Guthery, Belinda Webb, Kandice Martin and son, Dylan all of Desdemona. Everyone enjoyed the evening meal followed with birthday cake and ice cream.

Bernard and Ann Keith attended the Strawn Monthly Musical last Saturday night. They reported a nice crowd and good music. Strawn musicians attend regularly at the Desdemona musicals on fourth Saturday night of each month.

Sonja Hornback was honored with a "Baby Boy Shower" last Saturday, August 20 at the Desdemona Baptist Annex. Many nice gifts were received and appreciated. Hostesses served cake, cookies and punch.

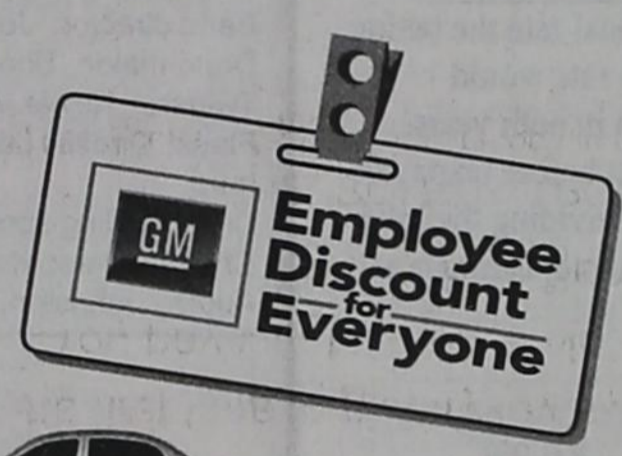
Dorothy Greenhaw was presented a "Special Award Plaque" at the Desdemona Homecoming and School Reunion on Saturday, August 13. Lindley Clayton, president of the Homecoming Committee presented to award. We are forever grateful to Dorothy for her concern and support for the Community Center so we can continue with all the Monthly, Annual Events, etc. for years to come.

Have A Nice Day - Vonnie

spending the day with her "MiMi" Glenda.

Congratulations to Wade Daniell of Abilene who won first in his heat, and second in the feature race at the Abilene Speedway on Saturday night, August 20th. Way To Go, Wade. Wish I'd been there to see you race.

Zelda Jordan enjoyed a telephone call from Rick Fuller of Pittsfield, Ill. on Monday. He sends his regards to all his friends in this area. He and his wife, Pat, vacationed in Estes Park, CO last week and he said that they had a great time. We are always happy to hear from you Rick.



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231502005 Pontiac Bonneville SLE Sedan	\$33,960	\$2,000	\$3,803	\$28,157 + TT & L	
221972005 Pontiac Grand Am GT Coupe	\$24,170	\$2,000	\$2,648	\$19,522 + TT & L	
235592005 Buick LaCrosse CXL	\$26,190	\$1,000	\$2,846	\$22,344 + TT & L	
222512005 Chevrolet Trail Blazer LS	\$29,460	\$2,500	\$4,563	\$22,397 + TT & L	
236462005 GMC Envoy SLE	\$30,180	\$2,500	\$3,656	\$24,024 + TT & L	
238422005 Chevrolet 1500 X-Cab W/T	\$25,355	\$3,000	\$3,731	\$18,624 + TT & L	
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