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Gorman Chapter of Eastern Star Host Deputy Grand Matron



The Gorman Chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star honored Deputy Grand Matron Rosemary Harper with a dinner before her official visit recently. In addition to her DGM duties, Mrs. Harper is also chairman of the School of Instruction to be held in February 2006. Also in attendance were members of the OES Chapters in De Leon, Eastland and Strawn. Pictured are: Gorman Chapter Worthy Patron, Gaylord Battenfield, DGM Rosemary Harper, and Gorman Chapter Worthy Matron, Sandra Osborne.

Hog Validation Panthers End Season With Loss To Goldthwaite

All area FFA and 4H members, hog validation will be November 22, 2005 from 2:00 p.m. until 6:00 p.m. at the Eastland County Showbarn. If you plan to show a market hog at the Eastland County Livestock Show or if you plan to show at a major livestock show, please make arrangements to have your hog or hogs at the county showbarn.

If you show under Gorman FFA and have any questions please contact Shawn Boles @ (254) 734-2505, or if you show under 4H contact Bob Bailey @ (254) 629-2222.

GAME AT A GLANCE		
Gorman	Goldthwaite	
13	First Downs	16
48/100	Carries/Yds.	26/288
98	Yds. Passing	98
12 of 20	Passes/Comp.	4 of 6
1	Interceptions	0
1-1	Fumbles/Lost	3-1
4/35	Punts/Avg.	1/34
7/50	Penalties	7/65

The Gorman Panthers closed the season when they traveled to Goldthwaite on Friday night and came out on the losing end against a very strong Class A team by a 54-0 margin. The Panthers came close to scoring only on one occasion when they moved inside the five yard line only to lose the ball on downs at the five yard line. The Big Red Defense held the Eagles to only 7 points in the initial quarter but gave up 26 in the second to trail 33-0 at halftime. Then the Eagles added 14 in the third and 7 in the fourth for the 54-0 margin.

The Eagles got the ball on their own 10 and went the distance in just 4 plays with Tye Mosely getting the final 60 with 7:33 left in the first. Tyler Schmidt added the point after and the score was 7-0.

After the Panthers drove to the Eagle 5 the Eagles moved the distance in only 2 plays with Tyler Schmidt getting the honors from 25 yards out with 9:23 left in the half. The score was set up with a 7 yard run by Clifton. The kick for point failed and the Eagles were up 13-0.

Then following a Panther fumble on the Gorman 25 the Eagles scored in just 4 plays with Jefferson Wesson catching a 20 yard pass for the score with 6:21 left in the half. Schmidt added the point after and the score was 20-0.

The next score came on an interception and runback of a Panther pass by Clifton for 65 yards with 4:45 left in the second. The kick failed and the Eagles were up 26-0.

After holding the Panthers the Eagles got the ball on their own 40 and scored in 2 plays with Mosely catching a 25 yard pass with 2:50 left in the half. Schmidt added the point after and the score was 33-0.

Following very good halftime performances by both bands the Eagles blocked a Panther punt and Bryan Miller returned it for the touchdown with 10:24 left in the third. Schmidt made it 40-0 with the point after.

Another Eagle score came with 4:27 left in the third when Mosely ran in from 9 yards out for the score. Schmidt added the point after and the Eagles was up 47-0.

The final Eagle TD came with 11:12 left in the game when Bo Lindsey scored from 4 yards out. Schmidt made the final score 54-0 with the point after.

The Panthers had a tough schedule this season with a very young team and some very tough teams on the schedule. But with the season of experience, the Big Red should fill a more competitive team next season. The Big Red did a great job overall considering the inexperience and rough schedule.

John Torres led the Panthers with 63 yards on 24 carries and caught 3 passes. Matt Underwood had 44 yards on 10 carries. Orlando Valenzuela got 22 on 6 tries. Kennon Hornback a -5 on 5 keepers and Tyson Swanner had a-24 on several pass tries when he was caught for losses.


Great Job Big Red!! See you next year!!!



SHORT YARDAGE TACKLE - Several Panthers, Aaron Keith, David Ibarra, John Torres, Corey Clark, Orlando Valenzuela and others stop a Eagle in game action Friday.



GOING FOR THE FIRST - Matt Underwood is in the pack of Panthers trying to gain yardage in game action Friday. Pictured are Seth Johnson, Corey Clark, Orlando Valenzuela.



Desdemona Thanksgiving Supper

Desdemona Community Center and Foundation will host the Annual Thanksgiving Supper to be held on Saturday, November 12 at the School Gym. Serving will begin at 5:00 p.m. Everyone invited to attend and enjoy Turkey and Dressing with All The Trimmings. Proceeds (by donation only) will be used for maintenance on the building.



Fundraiser For Scholarship Pageant

We are having a couple of Fund-raisers for our hometown girl. She has won Miss North Texas, going on to Orlando, Florida for Miss America's Choice Beauty Pageant. It's a Scholarship Pageant. The funds raised will go toward her and her mom and little brothers and sisters to go to Florida.

We will have a CAR WASH at the Car-wash on Hwy. 6 in Gorman on Saturday, Nov. 12 from 11 to 1 - by donation. We will also have a Spaghetti Dinner at the Methodist Church Fellowship Hall in Gorman on Monday, November 14th from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. We will serve Spaghetti, salad, garlic toast and tea. We will deliver. The dinner will be by donation. Minimum of \$5.00

Look Who's New It's A Girl

Justin and Ally Little are proud to announce the arrival of sister Emma Shae Little. Emma was born in Stephenville on October 15. She weighed 7 lbs. 10 oz. and 19 1/2 inches long.

Emma is the daughter of Alan and Shellie Little.

Pig Tales From Hogtown

Members of the Desdemona Activity Center Committee would like to thank the businesses in the area who graciously donated wonderful items for our auction last Saturday evening. We would, also, like to thank the many folks who came to enjoy the auction and the fish fry. The fish was fried to perfection by Monte Williams and the accompanying dishes were a great success. Thanks, also, to Ray Shipp who ran a fun auction and "squeezed" a few extra dollars from some of the bidders! A great time was had by all. Please watch for more information as we move forward on our journey to build a new activity center that will benefit Desdemona and the surrounding area.

Fall Luncheon Held for Dorcas Class

Louise Smart hosted the Dorcas Class of the Gorman Church of Christ for a Fall Luncheon and special program on November 2. Thirteen members and guests enjoyed a delicious meal and enjoyed the beautiful home of Louise and N.D. Smart. The group had a special treat as they heard a lesson read by Mattie Wright on the Old Testament character of Nathan the Prophet. The presentation was part of a series of the Ladies Class, "Men of the Bible," of the Breckenridge Church of Christ. The material was developed and written by Gorman native, Sue Hallmark Burrows who also resides in Breckenridge. Also in attendance was Nell Aldredge of Eastland, sister of Sue and Joy Rogers. The class will meet Wednesday, November 9 in the Fellowship Hall of the church at 10:00AM. All ladies are encouraged to attend.



Pictured L-R: Louise Smart of Gorman, Host for the Dorcas Class Luncheon; Sue Hallmark Burrows, writer of the lesson, "Nathan the Prophet" and Mattie Wright of Breckenridge, presenter of Wednesday's program.

Heritage Manor To Honor Veterans

On Friday, November 11th at 2:30 - We will honor our Veterans here at Heritage Manor.

We would like to extend an invitation to all our area Veterans to come and join us and give us the opportunity to express our gratitude to you for what you have done for us and our Country.

REMINDER

CURFEW IS 12:00 A.M. FOR ANYONE 16 AND UNDERS. EXCEPTIONS BEING ONLY SCHOOL RELATED FUNCTIONS OR SOME CIVIC RELATED EVENTS. CITATIONS WILL BE ISSUED IF YOU ARE NOT IN COMPLIANCE.

City of Gorman Animal Control Officer together with Dr. Burk of DeLeon, will be holding a rabies clinic Saturday, November 19, 2005 @ the Gorman Volunteer Fire Department. If your pet needs their annual rabies shot mark your calendar.

TURKEY SHOOT SAT., NOVEMBER 19TH
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Veteran's Day - 5th/6th Grade 'Celebrate Freedom' Program

The week of November 7th is "Celebrate Freedom Week". The 5th and 6th Grade Social Studies classes will have a musical program on November 11th at 10:00 AM in the High School Auditorium to honor 'Veteran's Day' and "Freedom Week." All Veterans are cordially invited to attend. It will be great! We hope you will make plans to attend.

Stephanie Barker

Gorman FCA Issues Thank You

The Gorman FCA would like to thank Mr. Ken Williams for coming and sharing his testimony on Friday the 28th of October. Mr. Williams shared how God has been the major influence on his life and he would not have been standing here today if it were not for the situations that God guided him through. Mr. Williams has endured more than twenty surgeries, has been shot three times and has one child in heaven. The FCA will be having a meeting on Thursday November 10th at 7:00. Activities for the evening will include games, music, food and inspirational speaking. The FCA would like to extend an invitation to the public, the meeting will be held in the high school auditorium. Thank you for your love and support.

GLRA To Hold Meeting Thursday

The Gorman Livestock Raisers Association will be meeting this Thursday, November 10 @ 6:30 p.m. in the Ag Shop. If you are a member it is very important that you be in attendance. County and major show entry forms will be filled out and payable, work schedules for the basketball concession will be assigned, and discussion about the local show. Parents and kids please make every effort to be present. If you have any questions please call Mr. Boles @ 734-2505.

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ITEMS OF INTEREST

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

LIBRARY — Charlie Garrett Memorial Library will be open Monday thru Friday from 3 to 5 p.m. Open Tuesday 9 to 12 a.m.

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.

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SANDRA CAGLE WILL BE IN GORMAN AT THE CITY OFFICE TO RENEW AUTO LICENSE PLATES. HER NEXT VISIT - WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 9TH 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.

Obituaries

Grace Townley

Gracy Townley, age 85, of Gorman, passed away Thursday, November 3, 2005 at a Fort Worth Hospital.

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Essie Pearl Poynor

Mrs. Essie Pearl Poynor, age 93, of Gorman, Texas died Sunday, November 6, 2005 at Comanche County Medical Center in Comanche County, Texas.

She was born February 19, 1912 in Comanche County, Texas to John Davis Maupin and Nancy Virginia (Smith) Maupin. She married Jesse Doyl Poynor on January 12, 1927 in Indian Mountain Community. She was a member of the Midway Baptist Church in Comanche County, Texas and a homemaker and hairdresser in Gorman for many years.

She is survived by daughter and son-in-law, Peggy and L. E. Singleton of Desdemona; sister, Velma Grady of Gorman; granddaughter and husband, Vicki and Darrell Morgan of Granbury; great-granddaughter and husband, Jessica and Bobby Cowan of Stephenville; great-granddaughter, Doylina Morgan of Granbury; 2 great-great-grandchildren, Caden and Morgan Cowan of Stephenville. She was preceded in death by her husband, Jessie Doyl Poynor on March 24, 2000, by her parents, John and Nancy Maupin and by three brothers and one sister.

Funeral services were at 10 a.m. Wednesday, November 9, 2005 at the Higginbotham Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. Glenn Ward officiating. Burial was in the Oakland Cemetery in Comanche County, Texas under the direction of Higginbotham Funeral Home in Gorman.



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Services were at 2:00 p.m. Saturday at Higginbotham Funeral Home Chapel with Craig Rhoton and Barry Schahn officiating. Burial was at the Gorman Cemetery.

Grace was born April 22, 1920 in Cisco, Texas to Cecil William Pollard and Gorum (Vanderford) Pollard. She married Ben R. Townley on August 18, 1938 in Cisco. He preceded her in death on May 14, 1990. She was a homemaker and a member of the First Baptist Church. Grace was a retired medical records clerk having worked for Blackwell Hospital and Dr. A. E. Pino.

She is survived by, son Dick Townley and wife Sylvia of De Leon; daughter, Jo Millican and husband David of Fort Worth; brother, Rex Pollard of Grand Prairie; five grandchildren, five great-grandchildren and three great-great grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents, one son, James Edward Townley, one brother, Jimmy Pollard and one sister, Fredreca Butts.

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Livestock Raisers Taking Orders For Fruit

The Gorman Livestock Raisers will be taking orders for fruit through November 15. If you would like to order fruit, a ham, or turkey with the Livestock Raisers please contact any member or phone the Ag Shop @ (254) 734-2505, be sure to leave a message. Thank you for your continued support.

Minutes From The Gorman City Commission

NOVEMBER 3, 2005

The Gorman City Commission met on the above date. Those present were Mayor Robert Ervin, Mayor Pro Tem Nathan Files, Commissioners Joe Casey, Charlie Torrez, and Tony Carter. Others present were Lori Dodd.

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

Mayor Ervin called the meeting to order @ 5:37 p.m.

Joe made the motion to approve the minutes as read. Charlie made a second. Motion carried 4-0.

Charlie made the motion to approve the bills for payment, with one bill being excluded for more verification. Joe made the second. Motion carried 4-0.

The excluded bill had not been pre approved by a commissioner.

Nathan made the motion to have the annual Christmas party on December 1, 2005 following the Regular scheduled meeting, and issuing the same employee bonus as the previous year. Joe made a second. Motion carried 4-0.

The Commission will be informed of any purchase that is not a standard, mandatory purchase. At least one Commissioner will be notified before such purchase is made or any service outside the city chain is retained.

A request for vacation time to be paid in lieu of actually taking off was made. The Commission will look into this before granting the request.

Joe made the motion to finance the 2005 Chevrolet pick up with American State Bank in Gorman @ 6.5% interest. Tony made a second. Motion carried 4-0.

There being no further business for discussion Charlie made the motion to adjourn. Tony made the second. Motion carried, time was 7:12 p.m.

Letter To Gorman Progress

Hello Joe,
Hope you are staying well. My daughter, Darlene, and I are doing good; small medical problems, God is so good, we have no major complaints.

If you are ever in Dumas, drop by and visit with us. We enjoy company, any time.

I'm enclosing my dues for another year of the newspaper. In 2 more days, I will have a birthday (my 80th) and that always reminds me it's time to pay for the paper.

God Bless You,
Gladys Rhine
824 S. Birge Ave.
Dumas, TX 79029

Gorman Football Season Comes to an End

The Gorman Panthers and Cubs closed out their 2005 seasons this past week. The Junior High Cubs finished an impressive 9-0 by defeating Goldthwaite for the District Title in a 22-14 hard fought game. "The junior high coaches (Coy Barker, Howard Cox, and James Gerick) did an outstanding job preparing our young men all season. The kids worked hard and improved each week and deserve to feel proud of their accomplishment. We hope they will all play again next year and we look forward to it as well. We appreciate all the support from the cheerleaders, parents, and fans. The followings at our junior high games were outstanding this year, I hope we continue that in the future, I know our kids just love the support," commented Athletic Director and Head Football Coach Coby Tyson.

The Gorman Panther varsity team finished its season with a 0-54 loss at the hands of Goldthwaite which is currently the number 3 team in the state in class A. The Panthers fell to 3-7 on the year and 1-4 in district 13-A. Although the season was a disappointment, the Panthers gained some valuable experience which is handy when 8 players on both sides of the ball where either a sophomore or freshman. "We definitely were young this year, but I don't want that to be an excuse. We had our chances and we needed to step up. I hope our young guys were able to get some experience and learn from this season. We need a good off-season and we need these guys to participate in track and powerlifting to help improve on our areas of weakness. We also need all of them to play again next year as well as retain all of our 8th graders and get them to play as freshman. If we do that and add some of the kids in athletics that played last year but didn't this year then we can have Junior Varsity team. That would be very beneficial to our kids and our program. We have challenged our kids to make that happen and hopefully our parents and community will push our kids to do so as well. While we have a goal to do that, we must accomplish that without compromising the integrity of our program and without lowering any expectations that we have for our young men. I appreciate every young man out there that gave up the time that they did to be a part of our program. I know I am very critical of them and I want them to never be satisfied, but at the same time they are to be commended for participating. I would like to specifically draw attention to Matthew Cogburn, Daniel Shirley, and Paul Burt. Those three played less than anyone else on the team, but they practiced everyday and worked just as hard in the weight room and conditioning as anyone else. It is guys like that who help make a team a Team. Too many people in all sports today only want to play if they are starting or if they are playing this position or that position. It is nice when you still find those that fulfill the role they have been given and put the Team first." The other members of the 2005 Gorman Panther Football Team are: Seniors-Zach Bryan, Armando Giles, and Graham Stalker. Juniors- Pete Ramirez, David Ibarra, and Reinaldo Sanchez. Sophomores- John Torres, Kennon Hornback, Orlando Valenzuela, Aaron Keith, Corey Clark, Toby Darville, Seth Cochran, Seth Johnson, Paul Burt, and Daniel Shirley. Freshmen-Tyson Swanner, Matthew Underwood, Gabe Burt, and Matthew Cogburn.

The Panthers would like to thank the three seniors for their efforts this season and wish them luck in the future. Coach Tyson had this to say about the seniors, "Graham Stalker played his first and only season with the Panthers this year. We would have liked to have had Graham for all of his playing career, but he did a good job for us in such a short preparation time. Armando Giles was playing his first year for us this year when his season was lost to injury. He still came to every workout and remained a leader on our team despite the injury. Armando was developing into a fine player and we hated to lose him to injury, but we are glad he played this year. Zach Bryan played his fourth year in our HS program and 6th overall. Zach is a special player that gives everything he has. Zach like some of our players this year played injured all year, but never complained. He was a pleasure to coach and I will definitely miss him and his right sock left sock fetish: I wish all these guys all the luck in the world as they continue their senior year and their journey into the real world. I have no doubt they will find success."

The Panthers would like to thank all those that supported them throughout the 2005 football season and encourage you to continue to support us in all athletic endeavors as well as the 2006 football season. The district representatives for 13-A in the state play-offs will be Goldthwaite (#3) who will take on Alvord in Burleson on Thursday night at 7:30 pm. Baird the district runner-up will take on Windthorst (#2) in Breckenridge on Thursday night at 7:00pm.



On Saturday, Nov. 5th, approximately 1700 students gathered together to compete in the Region 2 Cross Country competition. Mary Powell finished 44th out of 200 1A Girls at the Regional Cross Country Track competition in Arlington, Texas last week. She is pictured here in red shorts and a black top. Congratulations Mary for representing Gorman High School so well and good luck the rest of the year!

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Desdemona News

BY VONNIE GUTHERY

Desdemona Community Center and Foundation will host the Annual Thanksgiving Supper on Saturday, November 12 in the School Gym. Serving will begin at 5:00 p.m. Everyone invited to attend for home cooked Turkey and Dressing with All The Trimmings. This event began 1946 when our Community gave a "Welcome Home" supper for all the returning soliders (men and women) of World War II. What a wonderful tradition to carry on year after year. Proceeds (by donation only) will be used for maintenance on the building.

Roy and Angela Powledge

hosted a birthday party for their daughter, Kaley. She celebrated her 7th birthday on Sunday with her family and friends. Birthday Cake and ice cream was served to Dean and Judy Powledge of Cisco, Carol Boggs and sons, Riley and Nathan of Breckenridge, Pug and Vonnie Guthery, Karen Eaves, Lorin Eaves, Belinda Webb, Sonja Hornback and son, J. D., Kandice Martin and son, Dylan, Dorothy Roberts, Colin Garcia, Lance Powledge all of Desdemona, George and Cristal Garcia and son, Gavin of Whitney and Hogan Garcia and Blaine Garcia of De Leon.

Jeff Roberts of Dallas spent the past weekend visiting with his mother, Dorothy Roberts.

Pug and Vonnie Guthery enjoyed an outing over the weekend with several members of their family. Have a Good Day, Vonnie.

A Word in Season

By Pastor Dane Gressett

BLESSED ARE THE POOR IN SPIRIT

"Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of Heaven." (Matthew 5:3)

Just a casual overview of the "Sermon on the Mount" quickly reveals that God looks at things a lot differently than most people do. In the sermon, Jesus gives a list of several different types of situations where people often find themselves. He says that they are "blessed". However, most of these situations we would classify as "not blessed."

What is good about being "poor in spirit"? Poor in spirit means that you are aware of needs in your life. You have reason to long for something that you currently do not possess. But how can currently not having enough be a blessing? If I don't have enough food to feed the family, how is that a blessing? If

MONDAY - Cereal, animal cookies, juice and milk.

TUESDAY - Sausage, pancake on stick, syrup, juice and milk.

WEDNESDAY - Eggs, biscuits, juice and milk.

THURSDAY - Cinnamon rolls, juice and milk.

FRIDAY - Sausage, biscuits, gravy, juice and milk.

LUNCH

MONDAY - Ham or bologna sandwiches, lettuce, tomatoes, pickles, onions, vegi soup, peaches, bread, crackers, chips, mayo and mustard and milk.

TUESDAY - Meatloaf or Spaghetti with meat sauce, cream potatoes, salad, hot rolls, dressing and ketchup and milk.

WEDNESDAY - Hotdogs with chili and cheese or Burritos, Ranch Style Beans, salad, buns, chopped onions, relish, peppers, salsa and milk.

THURSDAY - Turkey and dressing or ham, cream potatoes, green beans, hot rolls, gravy, chocolate cake and milk.

FRIDAY - Hamburgers or Chicken Patties, lettuce, tomatoes, pickles, onions, chips, pears and milk.

Super Notes

By David K. Perry

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This school year is just flying by. I can't believe our football season is over for the year. Although our varsity lost some close games, they are young and strong and now they are also more experienced. We will be expecting a stronger, more successful team next year. These young men worked very hard preparing for every game this year and I would like to congratulate them for representing our school and setting such good examples of good sportsmanship for our younger students to follow. Great job!

Congratulations to the Junior High football team for their undefeated season! They were tough all year. I look forward to seeing this year's large 8th Grade class continuing to play next year. I expect to see every one of you at two a days in August!

Mary Powell represented our school last week at the Regional Cross Country Meet in Arlington. She came in 44th out of 180 runners (I think). Great job Mary and thanks for your dedication and for representing Gorman in the competition! Every year you stick with it you will be stronger!

When I miss a week, it is always impossible to cover everything that's gone on since the last article. Please forgive me if I do not include something that you think I should have. The reason I missed last week is that I was attending the Texas Association of School Boards and Texas Association of School Administrators joint convention in Dallas. It was supposed to have been in Houston the month before, but someone named Rita made them postpone and relocate it. Also, attending was school board trustee Melinda Harrington. Ms. Harrington was the official delegate from Gorman ISD attending the convention. We are pictured below just after registration.



We were both able to attend several breakout sessions covering different aspects of school governance and we also heard some great speakers. My favorite was Herman Boone. The movie "Remember the Titans" was written about him. He was a great coach, but he is also a great speaker.

The P.T.O. would like to thank all of the volunteers who helped this year's Book Fair be a success. Thank you to Kim Ryon, Nana Vaughn, Maria Gonzalez, Janice Burt and Deborah Jackson. It takes the community to make this school a success!

Our Junior High One Act Play will be performing in contest at Ranger ISD on Thursday, November 10, 2005 at noon. There will be six schools competing. Mrs. Gutierrez is the director. The play they will perform is The Happy Scarecrow by I.E. Clark. It is a story about a disgruntled witch that hates the happy antics of a pretty little fairy and challenges her to prove that there really is such a thing as happiness. So the fairy brings a scarecrow to life and promises to make him a real man if he can find happiness. It's a strange search, sometimes comical, sometimes sad—and the scarecrow meets a variety of characters, each providing an insight into human relations. The cast consists of Justin Little, Katie Fritts, Brittany Henderson, Ben Burgess, Tyler Johnson, Jaime Johnston, Kimmy Seaton, Skylar Jones, Taylor Chew, Matt Keith, and Cameron Clark and the crew includes Alex Giles, Jonathan Flores, Amy Regian, and Brice Campbell. Break a leg! I'm glad I don't have to say that during football season.

The Gorman Livestock Raiser's Association will be having a meeting Thursday, November 10th at 6:30 P.M. in the Ag Shop. It is very important that you be in attendance. County and Major Show entry forms will be filled out and payable. Work schedules for the basketball concessions will be assigned and discussion about the local show will be held. Parents and students please make every effort to be present. If you have any questions please contact Mr. Boles at 734-2505.

Texas Recycle Day is November 15th. Maxfield Elementary is going to have containers at the school for any paper, plastic or cans that are brought in to be recycled. Also, we are going to have two contests! One of the contests will be "What can you invent with your trash?" (such as purses made from Capri-Sun containers). The other event will be "What kind of art project can you create with trash?" (sculptures-pictures-designs). Prizes will be awarded to the winners! You need to have your entries in to your child's teacher by November 15th.

Maxfield Elementary Library will celebrate National Children's Book Week November 14th through November 18th. We have some special drawings planned. The students enter the drawings when they check out a book to read. The more books they read, the more times they can enter their names in each day's drawing.

Basketball is now in full swing. I believe the schedules have been in the paper, but you can also find them listed on the monthly calendar posted on our website: www.gorman.esc14.net. You should also be able to find the entire schedule on the athletic page by the time this paper is published. It is the start of a new season, please come out and support the Panthers, all the Panthers: girls and boys, high school and junior high. The support these children receive from the community, not just in sports but in all school activities, will help determine the roll they play in the future of Gorman. So remember, the more you support them now, the more they will support this community in the future!

I hate missing a week in the paper, but especially the week before an election. I hope all of you were able to vote in Tuesday's election. All amendments to our State's Constitution are important, but the one that defines marriage is especially important.

Report cards for the second six weeks were mailed out Wednesday. If you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to call you child's teacher and arrange for a conference. Your involvement in the education of your child is essential for their success. I want to thank all of our teachers for the hard work they've done the first two six weeks and encourage them to keep up the good work. I also want to thank the school board trustees for the support they give our teachers and administrators. They are extremely supportive and want your children to have everything it takes to receive the best education possible. We are very fortunate to have such a great school board here at Gorman ISD.

If I missed any event that you would like to have seen covered, please let me know. It takes community involvement for a school to be successful and you are welcome to get involved at Gorman ISD anytime. Remember, this is your school; these are your children; and these children are your future! Come help us shape the future.

out with that goose and follow it down to lend help and protection. They stay with the fallen goose until it is able to fly or until it dies, and only then do they launch out on their own, or with another formation to catch up with their group.

If we have the same sense of a goose, let's stand by each other, follow local policies and decisions, and contribute to honest and full-hearted dedication to Gorman.

Sense of a Goose—Author Unknown

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How High Does Our Community Fly? During this time of year, it is not uncommon to find yourself hearing the noisy yet energetic sound of geese flying overhead. Maybe even stopping to watch the amazing ritual procedures geese perform on their way to their winter home. It reminds me of a story I heard recently:

When you see geese flying along in a "V" formation, you might consider what science has discovered as to why they fly that way. As each bird flaps its wings, it creates uplift for the bird immediately following. By flying in "V" formation, the whole flock adds at least 71% flying range than if each bird flew on its own.

People who share a common mission, sense of purpose and community, can get where they are going quickly and easily when they are traveling together on the thrust of one another. Know your (community's/organization's) vision, goals, programs, services, strengths and needs!

When a goose falls out of formation, it suddenly feels the drag and resistance of trying to go it alone and quickly gets back into formation to take advantage of the lifting power of the bird in front of it.

If we stay in formation with those people who are headed in the same direction as we are, and act responsibly, our team efforts will be in unison and our planning smoothly orchestrated.

When the lead goose gets tired, it rotates back into the "V" formation and another goose flies point.

It is sensible to re-evaluate roles and responsibilities, and structure committees and tasks to get work done.

Geese honk from behind to encourage those up front to keep up their speed.

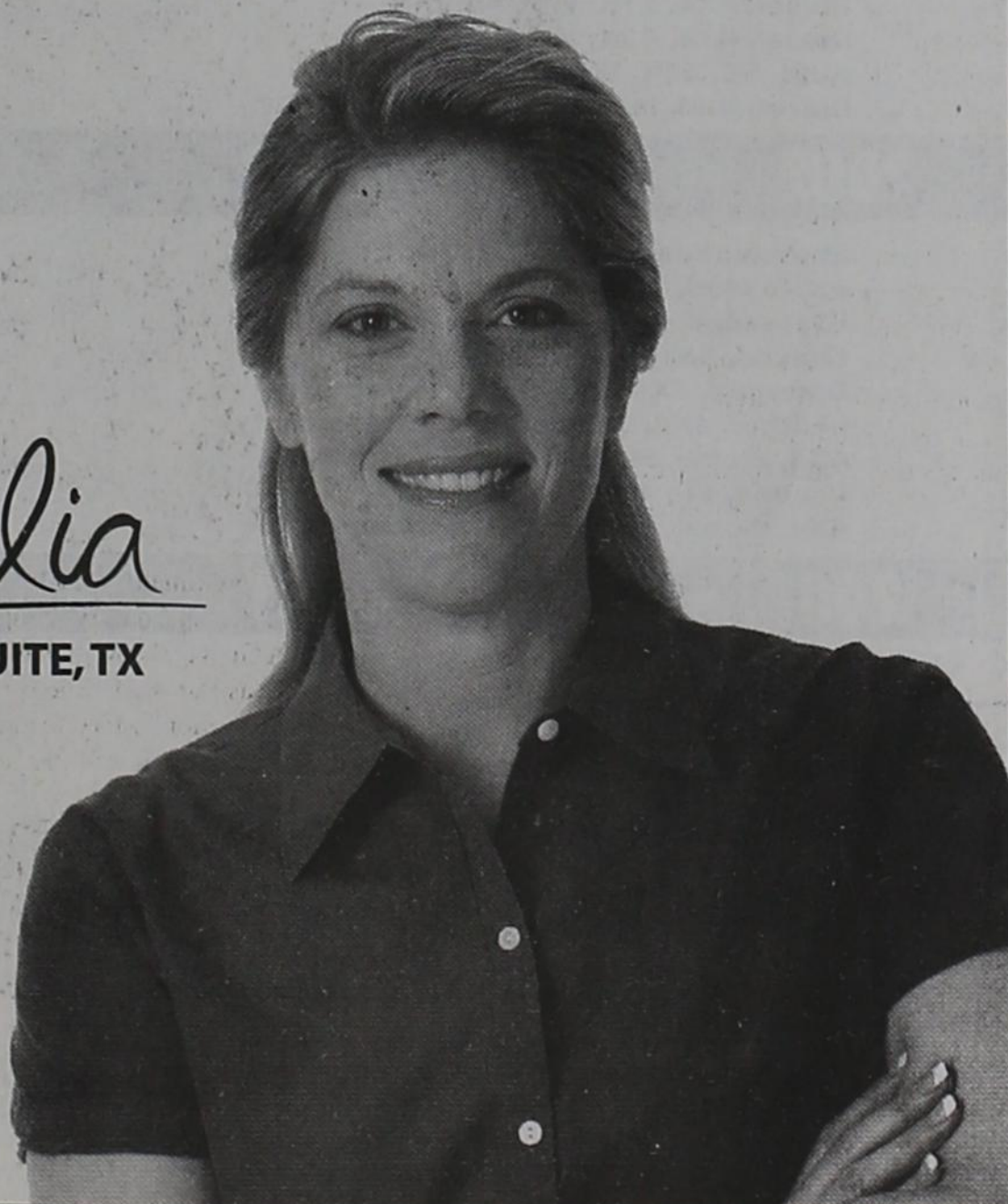
What message does your (community/organization) give when a member falls behind? Does it value responsiveness; offer support or training, tolerate differing views; and have a sense of humor?

Finally, and this is really important, when a goose gets sick or is wounded by gunshot, and falls out of formation, two other geese fall

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KOKOMO NEWS

By Zeldia Jordan

"All that Thrills My Soul" was beautifully sung by Ruby Lee Kinser and Woodrow and Helen Browning with Glynda Bond at the piano at the Sunday morning service at the Kokomo Baptist Church. Visitors were Chelsea and Haley Buckley of Desdemona, and Bertie Stacy of Gorman. "Happy Birthday" was sung to Haley Buckley, Karen Patterson and Jimmy Little. We were so happy to have Danny, Dianne and Sandra Snider back in service with us following Sandra's illness.

The Sunday night service was dismissed so the members could attend the Service at First Baptist Church in Gorman to hear African Pastor/Bishop Bro. Cliff Mseida who oversees 85 churches in Kenya and Uganda, East Africa. We heard a powerful sermon on the Holy Spirit. Many members from several area churches attended the service and also enjoyed the fellowship following the service.

The children of Bro. Clarence and Leona Wilson will host a reception honoring them on their 50th wedding anniversary on Saturday, Novem

Heritage Manor News

By Nancy Hendricks

Some guests were Jewel Dean Morris of De Leon, Annie Fay Foster, Pam Childers, Harold and Tody Zink, Dalton and Joy Watson of Ranger.

On Sunday morning at 9:00 those coming for Sunday School from First Baptist Church were James, Ellen, and Rachel Tucker, Nelda Mauney and Frances Warren. James taught the lesson "Follow God's Example." Life question, "How Can I Be More Godly?" Bible passage, Ephesians Chapter 4 and 5. A resident voiced the closing prayer. There were twenty-four residents present and guests Howard and Pat Hagood.

Recent visitors were Bobby and Peggy Ingram, Bill Moll and Maudie Husband of Cisco, Clyde and DeSha Johnson, Coy Clayton and Sue Pettigrew of Desdemona and Diana Snider.

Residents send "Get Well Wishes" to Ann Warren.

Some visitors were Brawner and Nell Files of Carbon, Jimmy and Verna Lee Little of Eastland, Zeldia Jordan and Betty Little.

On Sunday afternoon those coming from New Hope Baptist Church were Bro. Richard, Connie, Rachel, Grace Ann and Jordan Watson, Lane and Ernestine Campbell, Dale and Bess Curb, James Hunter and Joshua Eaves. Rachel played the piano and James led singing. Richard's message "God Is In Control". Bible passage Job 13:15. A resident dismissed. There were fifteen residents attending.

One ladies guests were Rev. Barry and Sharlene Schahn, Louise Smart, Kay Snider, Woodrow and Helen Browning, Rachel Tucker, Donnie and Nelda Mauney of Gorman, Rickie Hunter and Tammie of Dallas, James and Beverly Morris of Levelland, Pat Rhothan of Big Spring, Melanie and Lesley of Graham.

Monday afternoon those coming for the Gospel Singing were Ruby Lee Kinser, Billy Joe Dennis, Woodrow and Helen Browning, Zeldia Jordan, Daisy Slaton, Wilbur Overstreet and Nancy Hendricks. A resident led the opening prayer. Special music by Ruby Lee, Woodrow, Helen and Billy Joe, "Coming Morning", "God On The Mountain" and "Looking For A City". There were sixteen residents present. Wilbur dismissed.

Some visitors were Sylvia Estes and Bubba of De Leon, Marie Cook, Donald and Fay Cook of Carbon, James and Mary Jesse of Fort Worth.

Coming for BINGO were Pat Graham, Jason Killebrew, Billie Marble, Nelda Mauney and Ina Smith. There were fourteen residents playing.

Visiting were Durwood Webb, Frankie Stacy, Mary Turner, Raymond Hattox, Lendon Morgan of Dallas, Elmer Morgan of Burnett.

On Monday Karen Guthery came and opened the Beauty Shop for Beauty Work.

Visiting were Dorothy Roberts of Desdemona, Kennard and Doylena Roberts of Gustine, Bo and Anna Lee Roberts and Don Landers of Springtown.

On Tuesday Shawna Bass had "Caring Hearts" for residents. She served cookies and punch.

Some guests were Cecil and Rena Mae Robertson of Brownwood, Billie Marble, Kandice Langley of Seminole, Mary Jeffs, Frances Warren, Donnie and Nelda Mauney, Howard and Pat Hagood and George Rodgers.

On Tuesday morning at 9:00 those coming for BINGO were Pat Graham, Jeff Killebrew, Jason Killebrew, Billie Marble and Ina Smith. Eleven residents played. They enjoyed snacks and delicious punch.

Some guests were Bonita Richards of Fort Worth, Max and Janice Grice of Brownfield, Bonnie Croft of Lake Leon and Irene West.

On Tuesday afternoon Betty Duke of Desdemona came and played the electric keyboard and led singing. There were fifteen residents present.

Some visitors were Thomas and Vickie Seay, James, Ellen, and Rachel Tucker, Dalton Taylor, Richard, Connie, Rachel, Grace Ann and Jordan Watson.

On Tuesday Dorothy Roberts of Desdemona came and opened the Beauty Shop and styled hair.

Some guests were Clyde and DeSha Johnson, Roy and Charolette Johnson of Desdemona, Paul and Pat Johnson of Lubbock.

Wednesday morning at 10:00 Bro. Larry Stogsdill from Church of Christ came and had Bible Study. Text "Living By Faith". Bible passage Romans 10:11. There were 15 residents attending.

Some guests were James and Ruby Lee Kinser, Billy Joe Dennis, Judy Killebrew, Jeff Killebrew, Jason Killebrew, Darrell and Pat Graham.

On Wednesday afternoon those coming for "CRAZY BINGO" were Billie Marble, Jeff Killebrew, Judy Killebrew and Ina Smith. There were twelve residents. Besides prizes they enjoyed hot coffee or iced orange juice.

Recent visitors were Billy Earl and Frances Simpson, Tacy and Madison Warren, Larry Stogsdill, Lendon Shipman, Larry and Jerry Majors of De Leon.

On Thursday morning at 10:00 "Word Game" was enjoyed by a group of residents trying to figure out Ina's words.

Visiting were Joshua Eaves, James Hunter, Dale and Bess Curb, Lane and Ernestine Campbell.

Residents send "Get Well Wishes" to Jeff Seaton.

Some visitors were Daisy Slaton, Susan Lipson, Becky Moore, Monica Moore and Emily Green of De Leon.

Residents enjoyed "Crafts" with Ina Smith on Thursday.

ber 19 from 2 to 4 p.m. in the Valley Grove Baptist Church Family Life Center in Stephenville. Family and Friends are invited to attend. No gifts, please.

Shannon, Stephanie, Raegan, Sydnie and Joey Bond of Copperas Cove spent Friday night and Saturday with Joe and Glynda Bond. Shannon did some hunting while here.

Gene and Kay Snider were in Arlington during the weekend to attend the Cross Country Track Meet. Their grandson, Scott Collum of Huckabay ran in the Track meet and did well.

Recent visitors with LaVon Snider were: Ted Snider, Dianne and Sandra Snider; Crystal, Rachel and Michelle Snider, Belinda, Isaac, Audri, Ella and Belle Segura.

Chelsea and Haley Buckley of Desdemona visited during the weekend with their grandparents, Durwood and Aletha Burgess.

Beverly and Bob Pharris of Haskell visited with Betty and Larry Strube on Tuesday. Larry and Betty visited with Doris Neill at Lake Brownwood and Sherry Bragg of Brownwood on Wednesday.

On Saturday afternoon Zeldia Jordan and Cassie Brasher visited with Jimmy and Maggie Nelson, Travis, Gladys, Alexis, Tiffany and Ethan Nelson and Gladys's mother, Marie Ester Satow of Obregon, Mexico who is visiting here.

Stacy Webb of Granbury and Woodrow and Helen Browning visited with Oren and Norma Webb.

Helen and Woodrow Browning visited with Zeldia Jordan and brought some delicious tomatoes and onions.

Doris Bradshaw of Gorman, Melody Bradshaw and Braydon Bradshaw of Forney, Diane Tumeay of Wichita Falls, Woodrow and Helen Brown

ing and Zeldia Jordan visited with Nancy Hendricks.

Leon and Glenda Black visited during the weekend with her mother, Zeldia Jordan. Leon's friends, Dr. Richard Gregory of Fresno, CA. and Monty Johnson of Dallas came to join Leon in some deer hunting. Dr. Gregory got a doe and a buck and Leon got a buck. Mr. Johnson saw some deer, but they didn't have as big a rack as he wanted so he passed them by.

JIMMY LITTLE CELEBRATES BIRTHDAY

Verna Lee Little and their children and grandchildren honored Jimmy Little with a birthday supper on Saturday night in their home. While the men went hunting, the girls painted a banner with "Happy 70th Birthday" and hung it on the carport so it could be seen as they drove up. The house was decorated with banners and balloons. A "Country supper" was enjoyed. The chocolate cake with white icing was baked by Jill Little and decorated by Ashley and Breckley Little and the candles spelled out "Happy Birthday" and had the number "70" on it.

Those enjoying the happy occasion were: Jimmy and Verna Lee Little, Ray Neal and Melissa Little of Eastland, Emily Little and Kourtney Peacock of Abilene, Nelda, Cody and Jarad Fails of Arlington and James. Jill, Ashley and Breckley Little of Lake Leon. Betty Little and Karen Patterson came by for a short visit. Jimmy's birthday is Nov. 19, but this is the weekend all the family could be together so the celebration was planned when they could be here.

Jimmy and Verna Little and James and Jill Little attended the Volleyball games on Monday night in Eastland to see Ashley and Breckley Little play.

Please pray for rain. It is getting very dry.

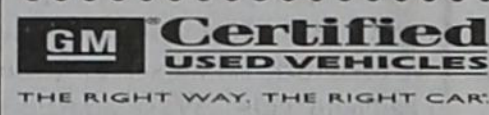
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'04 Chevy 1500 X-Cab	LS, V8, 18K, Warranty	\$19,500
'04 Chevy 2500 Crew Cab	4X4, LS, 46K, Warranty	\$24,250
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'04 Chevy 2500 Crew Cab	4X4, Diesel, 6-Spd. 30K, Warranty	\$25,900
'04 Chevy 2500 Crew Cab	4X4, Diesel, loaded, 32K, Warranty	\$28,900
'04 Olds Alero	4 Dr., loaded, 25K, Warranty	\$11,500

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'03 Volvo V70	Leather, sunroof, 26K, Warranty	\$23,500
'03 Chevy Tahoe	LS, loaded, 33K, Warranty	\$22,000
'03 Chevy Avalanche	Loaded, V8, 18K, Warranty	\$21,900
'03 Ford Ranger X-Cab	Auto, loaded, 76K, Warranty	\$10,900
'03 Chevy 1500 Reg. Cab	Sportside, loaded, V8, 51K, Warranty	\$15,500
'03 Chevy 1500 Crew Cab	HD, loaded, 34K, Warranty	\$21,500
'03 Chevy 2500 Crew Cab	LS, loaded, 48K, Warranty	\$20,500
'03 Chevy 1500 X-Cab	4X4, loaded, 25K, Warranty	\$19,500
'03 Chevy 3500 X-Cab	Duramax, loaded, 117K, Warranty	\$19,000
'03 Ford F250 Crew Cab	Diesel, 4X4, 51K, Warranty	\$29,000
'03 Ford F250 Crew Cab	Diesel, 4X4, 49K, Warranty	\$29,000
'03 Dodge 1500 Reg. Cab	Auto, V6, 43K, Warranty	\$10,950
'03 Dodge 2500 Crew Cab	Diesel, 4X4, loaded, 38K, Warranty	\$25,500

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'02 Chevy Monte Carlo SS	Leather, Loaded, 45K, Warranty	\$14,000
'02 Chevy Trailblazer	LS, loaded, 37K, Warranty	\$15,500
'02 Chevy 1500 X-Cab	LS, loaded, 27K, Warranty	\$15,250
'02 Chevy 1500 X-Cab	Loaded, LS, 60K, Warranty	\$14,750
'02 Chevy 2500 Crew Cab	Duramax, 4X4, LT, 79K, Warranty	\$25,500
'02 Chevy 2500 Crew Cab	Leather, 4X4, Duramax, 127K, Warranty	\$19,990
'02 Ford F250 X-Cab	4X4, diesel, Flatbed, 60K, Warranty	\$22,500
'02 Dodge 1500 Crew Cab	Loaded, V8, 48K, Warranty	\$15,500
'02 Dodge 3500 X-Cab	4X4, diesel, loaded, 61K, Warranty	\$25,500



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'01 Buick Le Sabre	Loaded, V6, 36K, Warranty	\$11,500
'01 Chevy S-10 X-Cab	4 Cyl., auto, 21K, Warranty	\$ 9,500
'01 Chevy Tahoe	3rd Row Seat, loaded, 79K, Warranty	\$15,250
'01 Chevy Tracker	Loaded, auto, V6, 61K, Warranty	\$ 8,250
'01 Chevy 1500 Crew Cab	4X4, LT, 149K, Warranty	\$13,000
'01 Chevy 1500 X-Cab	4X4, loaded, 97K, Warranty	\$14,500
'01 Chevy 1500 Crew Cab	Loaded, auto, 69K, Warranty	\$17,500
'01 Chevy 2500 X-Cab	6 Spd., V8, 4X4, 57K, Warranty	\$17,500
'01 Chevy 2500 X-Cab	Auto, 4X4, 49K, Warranty	\$14,900
'01 Dodge Neon	SE, auto, 38K, Warranty	\$ 7,000
'01 Ford F150 Reg. Cab	4X4, V8, 34K, Warranty	\$13,000
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'00 Lincoln Town Car	Loaded, leather, 55K, Warranty	\$12,500
'99 Ford Conversion Van	Loaded, auto, 79K, Warranty	\$ 9,250
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'98 Chevy 1500 S-Cab	Loaded, only 71K, Warranty	\$ 9,500
'98 Dodge Dakota X-Cab	V6, 5 Spd., 53K, Warranty	\$ 6,250
'98 GMC 1500 X-Cab	Leather, loaded, 97K, Warranty	\$ 9,000
'97 Olds 88	Loaded, only 49K, Warranty	\$ 5,950
'97 Olds Aurora	Loaded, leather, 75K, Warranty	\$ 6,750
'95 Chevy 1500 X-Cab	Loaded, V8, 97K, Warranty	\$ 6,750

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