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## Cinderfella Contest Set For February 8th

There will be a Cinderfella Contest at the Gorman High School Auditorium on Thursday, February 8th at 7 p.m. Admission will be \$3.00 for Adults and \$2.00 for students. Auction and Door Prizes will take Place. Auctioneer will be Danny Burgess. Comentator will be Coach Talbert. Judges will be Coach Graham, Coach Duke, Coach Cox, Mrs. Laminack and Mrs. Gutierrez.

Come help us crown the new Mrs. Cinderfella 2007. It will be a night to remember.

Categories to be judged are Swimsuit, Evening Gown, Talen Competition and Judges Questions.

Make Plans To Attend.

## Financial Aid Night

The Gorman High School Senior students and their parents were invited to attend the Financial Aid Night presented by First Financial Bank of Abilene and McMurray University. We really had a great turnout with 14 seniors in attendance. Financial Aid Night involves a presentation on different types of aid available to help students attend college. The information was very helpful and those in attendance seemed to gain knowledge about completing the financial aid process. The two \$100.00 scholarships donated by First Financial Bank and Panhandle Plains were given as door prizes to Amanda Brown and Kristy Carlton.

## Panthers Roll to Big Win Over Ranger; Fall in Thriller at Santo

To start the week the Panther basketball team played host to Bulldogs of Ranger and defeated them handily 67-31. Tyson Swanner had 20, Zack Fox 14, Aaron Keith had 13, Greer added 6, Ibarra had 5, and Ramirez had four more to round out the scoring. The Panthers were in complete control from the tip to the end of the game.

On Friday night the Panthers traveled to Santo to play the wildcats. The panthers lost a close game 38-37. This game was a fight to the end. As with every closely contested games there were twists turns and high emotion. Leading the way was the Panther defense on this night. As every member of the Panther team played outstanding on defense. Leading the way in scoring was Swanner with 10. Keith and Fox each chipped in nine, Ibarra had seven and Clark added numerous rebounds and 2 points.

## Three Positions On School Board Available

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

## Valentine Party Set Feb. 10th At Moran Country Gospel Church



The County Gospel Church in Moran, Texas will be having a Valentine Party. The Redeemed will be singing Gospel Music. Everyone is welcome to attend. The admission is FREE. The Valentine Party will start at 5:30 p.m. this saturday night February 10, 2007 at the Moran Community Center. Please plan on attending the Valentine Party to hear the Redeemed as they sing Gospel Music. The Redeemed are up-beat Christian singers who sing with zesto, backed up by solid string, drum and piano backing. Don't miss this christian fellowship and singing.

## DWI DEFENDANT SENTENCED TO PRISON FOR TWENTY FIVE YEARS

Israel Munoz Sandoval Jr., 47, formerly of Olden, Texas, is now an inmate awaiting transfer to state prison to serve a (25) twenty-five year sentence for the felony offense of Driving While Intoxicated. Sandoval was apprehended on September, 2005 by an Eastland County Sheriff's Deputy after a routine traffic stop near the community of Olden. The Deputy detected an odor of alcohol on Sandoval and began an investigation which resulted in the DWI arrest.

Sandoval had been previously been convicted four times for DWI in Eastland County. His prior DWI convictions were in 1979, 1987, 1988 and 1996. The punishment range for a felony DWI normally is confinement for a period of 2-10 years but in this case the District Attorneys Office used two prior felony convictions to enhance the charge in order to increase the amount of time Sandoval to serve. Sandoval had been convicted of Robbery in 1990 and Injury to an Elderly Individual in 1999. Both of these felony offenses also occurred in Eastland County.

The Honorable Judge Steven Herod of the 91st District Court sentenced Sandoval to 25 years in the Texas Department of Criminal Justice - Institutional Division after Sandoval entered a plea of guilty. The case was prosecuted by Criminal District Attorney Russ Thomason. Sandoval was represented by defense attorneys Roger Phillips and Roger Blair of Weatherford.

## Life Skills Valentine Sales AT Gorman ISD

Send a sweetheart, friend or loved one a thoughtful gift this Valentine's Day. Orders will run through February 14th, but please don't delay. Be sure to get your orders in early and while supplies last. Order forms will be available in the Life Skills Classroom. All proceeds benefit the Life Skills Class at Gorman ISD. Thank You for your support. Please come by and purchase yours today. The students will really appreciate it.

There are 3 bags to choose from that include:

Sweetheart Bag: \$3.00 BEST VALUE

- (1) Message of your choice
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- (1) Valentine Bracelet (NEW)
- (2) Valentine's Pencils
- (2) Suckers
- (6) Chocolates

## Panther Power-Lifters Improve Over Last Week

This past weekend the Gorman Power Lifting Team traveled to Dublin to compete in one of the largest meets in the Central Texas area. There were over 20 teams represented at the meet. The Gorman boy's team took six contestants and all six improved from their previous week's performance. Senior Pete Ramirez who competed in the 181 class finished 1st with a total of 1,185 pounds. Pete made an 80 pound jump from the previous week. Taking a bronze medal for the 2nd straight week was junior Seth Johnson. Johnson total 1,210 for a 45 pound improvement from the previous week. James Brown a freshman took 4th place with a total of 1000 pounds. Both Brown and Johnson were competing in the Super Heavy Weight Division. Tyler Johnson another freshman Panther lifted 1,070 in the competition raising his total by 40 pounds from the previous week. Johnson was 8th in the 220 class. Junior Daniel Shirley was 12th in the 148 class which had the most contestants. Shirley improved his total by 45 pounds from the De Leon meet just one week prior. Matt Cogburn had the second best improvement of the team with a 70 pound jump when he totaled 610. Cogburn placed 7th in his 132 classification. The Panthers will take a couple of weeks off before going to the last qualifiers meet in Strawn. Several of the Gorman lifters should qualify for Regional Competition.

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  - (1) Valentine's Pencil
  - (1) Sucker
  - (3) Chocolates

## Steve Spivey Scholarship Fund Started At ASB

A few days ago we lost a very good friend of ours who gave a lot of his time and effort for the youth of Gorman.

He spent many hours coaching little league baseball, pee wee basketball, flag football and much more for our kids and yours.

His wife Tracy, has started this Scholarship Fund, an account has been opened at the American State Bank in Gorman.

We ask for your help to make this one of the best Scholarships ever.

Sincerely,  
Bill Underwood and Family  
Tim Swanner and Family  
Darren Clark and Family

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IN YOUR POLY CART. PLEASE DO NOT  
PUT ITEMS ON THE GROUND.  
THANK YOU

## Thank You

We would like to thank everyone for the flowers, food, visits, thoughts, and prayers during the loss of our loved one, Byrl Gene Warren.

A very special thank you to the First Responders. We are very fortunate to have such dedicated people helping our community in emergency situations.

Thank you to the New Hope Baptist Church for their many acts of kindness. Ladies, thank you for your generosity of preparing lunch and taking such good care of us. We appreciate the spiritual guidance of Rev. Richard Watson and the comforting words spoken at the services.

We would especially like to thank Ray, Carolyn, and Marjorie of Higginbotham Funeral Home. Your acts of kindness were more than words can express.

The family of  
Byrl Gene Warren

## Gorman Scouts Hold Lock-In At Carbon Baptist Church



The Gorman Scouts participated in a lock-in at the Carbon gym. Special thanks to the Carbon Baptist Church for the use of their facility. There were 23 boys and 7 adults that stayed all night. They played basketball, dodgeball, Chinese freeze tag, and sleeping bag relay races. No major injury occurred, just a major lack of sleep. Everyone had a great time.

## CITY OF GORMAN MAY GENERAL ELECTION

The City of Gorman May General election will be held May 12, 2007. Commissioner Nathan Files Place 1 and Commissioner Don Underwood Place 3 terms will expire.

The first day to file application for a place on the voting ballot will be February 10, 2007, which is on a Saturday. Since this is not a deadline, Monday February 12, 2007 during regular city office hours will be the first day to file for application for a place on the ballot.

Deadline to file for application for a place on the city ballot will be March 12, 2007 by 5:00 p.m. If you have any questions please call the Gorman City Office @ 254 734-2317.

## Pre-K Registration and Changes

Maxfield Elementary will be holding Pre-K Registration for the 2007-2008 school year. This year students that are three or four by Sept. 1, 2007 and meet the criteria will be eligible. Registration will be Friday, February 16, 2007 from 8:00a.m. - 3:00p.m. in the Elementary office. You will need to bring the student's Social Security Card, birth certificate, and immunization record. We will also need a picture ID of the adult registering the child. If you have any questions please call 254-734-2617.

## JOANN FRALEY HONORED FOR 25 YEARS SERVICE



On Thursday, Jan. 25, 2007 the staff of Heritage Manor honored JoAnn Fraley with a surprise party in honor of 25 years of faithful service here at Heritage Manor.

JoAnn started to work for Canterbury Villa on Jan. 25, 1982 as a nurse's aid. She served in that capacity for 2 years. She then became the Laundry/Housekeeping Supervisor, which position she held until 2006. JoAnn continues to work in the laundry department. JoAnn has worked in every department while still serving as Laundry/Housekeeping Supervisor. She has been seen holding activities, cooking, washing dishes, answering call lights, pulling weeds, trimming bushes, answering the phone, delivering daily newspapers, fixing things that have broke or don't work. She knows the answer to any question concerning the building. One thing for sure, you can always depend on JoAnn.

JoAnn was born in the old Blackwell Hospital to Hallie and Joe Clark on Oct. 9, 1945, she has lived in Gorman all her life.

JoAnn is married to Daniel Fraley, she has 3 children, Cary Campbell, and Tommy Campbell of Gorman and Stacy Fraley of Mullin. She has 2 grandchildren, Brice and Brady Campbell of Gorman.

JoAnn states that it has been a privilege to serve all the residents who have been here during her 25 years as an employee. She said she has fun at what she does and feels like every resident is a member of her family. She also states that she has enjoyed working with all the staff members...they are all great.

Thank you JoAnn for a job well done.

## Note Of Thanks

There are no adequate words to express our gratitude for the outpouring of love and support that has been shown to our family during this difficult time. Our untimely loss of Steve has left a sudden, tremendous void in our hearts and lives, but the help and compassion of friends and a caring community has made the hurt easier to bear. The beautiful flowers, wonderful food, numerous visits, calls, cards, and words of comfort have been so deeply appreciated. To those whose names were missed, please accept our thanks. We are especially grateful for the many prayers offered in our behalf, for these are what sustain us and will continue to enable us to make it through each day.

Sincerely,  
Tracy, Adam, Colby and Lauren Spivey  
Wesley and Sue Spivey  
June Dossey and family

# Ken Drozeski Promoted To Sergeant of Dublin PD

Ken Drozeski, who graduated from Cisco High School in 1990, has been promoted to sergeant of the Dublin Police Department. Ken went to work for the Dublin police department in 1999. He worked as the K-9 officer from 2000 to 2003 until his partner "Donna" was retired due to age. She passed away in 2003. Ken also worked as the gang relation officer. He has attended countless hours of schooling to advance in his career. He recently received his advanced police certification by the state and is the field training officer for the department. Ken works closely with the district and county attorneys in Erath county. He is well known and highly respected in the city as well as the county. Ken was awarded the police office of the year award for 2005 and was promoted to corporal in Oct. of 2006.



Prior to moving to Dublin, Ken worked as an officer in Gorman, Tx from 1997 to 1999. Ken attended the West Central Council of Governments police academy in Abilene in 1996 after working as a welder for various companies.

Ken has been married for 14 years to his wife, Traci. They have 2 boys ages 14 and 13. He is a Mason, and also belongs to the Blue Knight of Texas Chapter XXI, which is an international Law Enforcement Motorcycle Club. He enjoys spending his free time out riding his motorcycle and being with his family.

Ken and his family are very proud of his career and his accomplishments. He is the grandson of Johnnie and Nellie Turner.

# Pig Tales From Hogtown

How wonderful to see the sun and to feel the warmth come back! It has really been nice to get outside and start thinking about Spring.

I would like to remind everyone to mark February 17 on their calendars. The potluck dinner and business meeting at the DAC will be held on that evening starting at 5:00 p.m. We will have a short business meeting, food and entertainment. Please bring a covered dish and come to help us make some important decisions during the meeting and then stay to enjoy the food and fun. See you then!

Carol Pell

# Arbor Day Foundation Is Giving Free Trees

Ten free American redbud trees will be given to each person from Texas who joins The National Arbor Day Foundation during February 2007.

The free trees are part of the non-profit Foundation's Trees for America campaign.

"Redbuds will add lasting beauty to homes across Texas," said John Rosenow, Arbor Day Foundation president. "They offer clusters of rosy pink flowers in spring, dark green summer leaves turning to yellow in the fall, and a spreading, graceful form throughout the year. They'll also add to the proud heritage of Texas's 56 Tree City USA communities. For three decades Tree City USA has supported community forestry across Texas, and planting these lovely redbuds will add to this important tree-planting tradition."

The trees will be shipped post-paid at the right time for planting between March 1 and May 31 with enclosed planting instructions. The six to twelve inch trees are guaranteed to grow, or they will be replaced free of charge.

Members also receive a subscription to the Foundation's colorful bi-monthly publication, *Arbor Day* and the *The Tree Book* with information about tree planting and care.

To become a member of the Foundation and receive the free trees, send a \$10 contribution to TEN FREE REDBUD TREES, National Arbor Day Foundation, 100 Arbor Avenue, Nebraska City, NE 68410, by February 28, 2007. Or join online at [www.arborday.org](http://www.arborday.org)

FOR SALE: 1977 Ford Extended Cab Pickup - Real good condition. \$2,500.00. Call 254-842-1266. ITP.

# Ollie Pearl Walker

Ollie Pearl Walker, age 74 of De Leon, Texas passed away Monday, February 5, 2007 at Hendrick Medical Center in Abilene, Texas. Services were Tuesday, February 6th at 2:00 p.m. at De Leon First Baptist Church with interment in Newburg Cemetery, Comanche Co. under the direction of Nowlin Funeral Home. Jackie Auvenshine officiated with music by Rocky and Martha Bunting.

She was born November 17, 1932 to the late James Arthur Tinney and Ida Mae Roberts Tinney. She was a homemaker; cooked at De Leon Schools for many years, cooked at De Leon Hospital for several years and was a member of De Leon First Baptist Church.

She was survived by three sons, Lester Walker and wife Donna of Eunice, N.M., David Walker and wife Cynthia of Frisco and Jerry Walker and wife Etta of De Leon; three daughters, Jeanette Moore and husband Dr. Eddie Moore of Abilene, Tina Moore and husband Randy of Bonham, and Lisa Walker of Killeen; two sisters, Emma Watkins of Monahans and Georgie Markham of Cross Plains; 12 grandchildren, Erin, Ethan, Jason, Tabitha, James, Jeremy, Kody, Jordan, Deborah, Delancy, Brandy and Jessica.

She was also preceded by two brothers, James Tinney and Ira Lee Tinney and three sisters, Christine Huddleston, Opal Echols and Mildred Thompson.

Memorials may be made to De Leon First Baptist Church Mission Program.

ATTENDANTS NEEDED: Part-time attendants needed to assist elderly and disabled clients with personal care and light housekeeping in the De Leon area. Must have own transportation. Contact Amanda or Kayla at 877-885-7056. E.O.E. 2-2-15 C.

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# Obituaries

## Dorothy Louise Burns Henson

Dorothy Louise Burns Henson, 75, passed away January 31, 2007, with her family at her side. She was at peace with the knowledge she would be greeted by her Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. Services were held Friday, February 2nd at 2 p.m. at First Baptist Church in Ranger.



She was born on March 11, 1931 in Gorman, TX, to Johnnie and Louise Burns. Her parents were peanut farmers and Dorothy helped in the peanut fields alongside her parents, often missing school. After graduating high school, she moved to Ranger where she went to work for Dr. Kuykendall at the old West TX Clinic. In 1949, she moved to Ft. Worth to work for Consolidated Aircraft Company, helping to assemble wiring for the B-36 Bomber. She moved back to Ranger in 1951, and began working at Ranger General Hospital. She married LaRue Henson on June 7, 1952 in Breckenridge, TX. In 1967, she went to work at Walnut St. Clinic as a nurse, working for Dr. L.R. Gohlke until he retired, then continued working for Dr. Philip Webb until her final retirement in October of 2006.

Her ultimate desire was to shield her children and grandchildren from any pain and heartache. Her grandchildren and her beautiful yard was very important to her. She spent more time outside than in, and she could often be seen on her riding lawn mower with one of the grandchildren in her lap.

Those who knew Dorothy, knew she was a good Christian woman who lived her life for God, her family, and friends. She started every morning by reading her Bible and ended every night with a prayer of thanks. Even after everything she's been through, the loss of her husband and eldest son, her many bouts of cancer, she never once questioned God. Even though she had known since November her time was short, she continued to do all she could to make her last days and holidays special for her family. We are better for having her as a mother, grandmother and best friend and our lives will never be the same without her here to guide us and give us her absolute support.

Dorothy was a member of The Leon River Cowboy Church in Olden, TX.

Pallbearers are Bryan Henson, Michael C de Baca, David Olson, Todd Vier, Kelly Stanley, and Donald Fulbright.

She was preceded in death by her husband, LaRue; son, Rickey; parents, Johnnie and Louise; and brother, Johnnie Paul.

Dorothy is survived by her son and daughter-in-law, Randy and Linda Henson; daughter and son-in-law, Rebecca and Mike C de Baca; grandchildren, Michelle Henson Yaeger, Monica Stanley, Heather C de Baca, Michael C de Baca, Bryan Henson, Ssgt. Robert Nichols, Tawnya Vier, Suzanne Olson, and Luke Seymour; 9 great-grandchildren; brothers, James and Freddie Joe; sister, Betty; a very dear friend not only to Dorothy but to her family as well, Bill James; and her best friend of 40 years, Pat Pockrus.

If you choose to honor Dorothy with a gift to an organization instead of flowers, The Sherwood and Myrtle Foster Home, P.O. Box 978, Stephenville, TX 76401, The Ranger City Library, c/o Diana McCullough, 718 Pine St., Ranger, TX 76470, or The Leon River Cowboy Church, c/o Paul Howie, P.O. Box 1411, Eastland, TX 76448 were some of her favorites.

# Former Eastland Man Adjudicated Guilty

Presiding Judge Steven R. Herod revoked the probation of ETHAN ANDREW VANSKOY, 22, Monday, morning after hearing testimony in the Eastland County Courtroom and accepting a plea agreement between the State and Vanscoy. Vanscoy, a former Eastland resident, had previously been placed on six years deferred probation on August 20, 2004 for Burglary of Habitation. The Court sentenced Vanscoy to twelve years in the Texas Department of Criminal Justice - Institutional Division, for violating the terms and conditions of his probation.

Assistant Criminal District Attorney Brenda Gray stated: This sentence should send a strong message to those who are fortunate enough to receive deferred adjudication but don't take their terms and conditions of probation seriously.

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- 165A, 3-1 newly remodeled frame home, w/ office, 12 waterwells, large reservoir, highway frontage, cross fences, coastal, pecan orchard, pipe corrals, storm cellar, bams, hunting, minerals. [ED01] \$549,800 REDUCED \$495,000
- 100A, w/4,961 sq. ft. (CAD) 5-4 1/2 2-story brick home, fireplaces, game room, office, 2-car garage, 2-car carport, underground sprinkler, swimming pool, deck w/hot tub, 2 ponds, pipe corrals, pecan & oak trees. [FS01] \$850,000
- 80A, w/1,943sf (CAD) 3-2 brick home, bams and shed, 3 wells, stock pond, cross fences, steel pens, almost completed roping arena. [CO01] \$459,000
- 70A, w/1,894sf (CAD) 3-2 brick home, metal roof, carport, fireplace, approx. 14 acres pecan orchard, both sides of Leon River, coastal, 2 reservoirs, 4 wells, 3 bams, pipe corrals, equipment, hunting. [BC01] \$396,500
- 52A, w/2,854sf (CAD) 4-3 brick home, carport, 5 water wells, 3 stock tanks, corrals, bams [PO01] \$250,000
- 11A, w/16x70' mobile home, well, rural water, oak trees [TC01] \$70,000
- 10A, horse facility w/16x76 Mobile home, approx. 2,600sf of bams and sheds, cross fenced into four pastures, highway frontage [KW01] \$125,000
- 250 ± A, 150 wooded, 100 coastal, on Coppereas Creek, lake, stock tanks, hunters cabin, 25hp pit pump, hwy. frontage, rural water [LB01] \$850,000
- 243 A, Comanche Co, one reservoir, 14 irrigation wells, irrigation pit, highway frontage, cultivation, costal, native pasture [AB01] \$473,850
- **UNDER CONTRACT-** 240 A, with pivot irrigation system, 2-stock tanks, approx. 7,000sf of bams and sheds, creek, hunting, minerals [LO01] \$798,500
- 158 A, rolling terrain, 2 tanks, well, coastal, native, cover for deer and turkey hunting, all weather roads, minerals. approx. 4 miles from Dublin [CS01] \$395,000
- 150 A, rolling terrain, approx. 90 acres wooded, 4 waterwells, irrigation pit, stock tank, excellent deer and turkey hunting. Minerals. [LO01] \$442,500
- 140 A, recreational, cattle, or horse, creek running thru, waterwells, good fences, hunting deer, turkey, hogs, some farm eq. available, minerals negotiable, possible owner financing. [CSK01] \$350,000
- 100A, with 5 stock tanks, waterwell, pipe corrals, good fences, improved varieties of coastal, native pasture, cultivation, and hunting. [MMS01] \$225,000
- 81A pecan orchard, approx. 900 improved variety trees, underground drip irrigation on, 9 wells, tractors, shaker, other equipment. [REM01] \$326,000
- 60 A, stock tank, approx. 13 A wooded, coastal and hunting. [DO01] \$165,000
- **UNDER CONTRACT-** Nursing Home, [CCH01] \$39,000
- 3,925sf (CAD) Metal Commercial Building, walk-in cooler, central heat & air, office & storage areas, restrooms [BW02] \$75,000

See Pictures at: [www.GilderRealty.com](http://www.GilderRealty.com)

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 160A m/l east Gorman on FM2921: 65 a m/l coastal, 75 a m/l wooded, water well, pond, steel corral, indications show lots deer, turkey and hogs, mineral rights. \$2,900.00  
 240 a south Gorman, 120a fields, 80a wooded, 40a coastal, 2 small ponds, water well, in an great hunting area, lots of deer sign, great place! Mineral Rights \$2,250.00 acre.

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After 10 hours of classroom instruction here at Gorman and 45 minutes of instruction from Officer Sparky Dean at Safety City, the class was divided into 4 groups. Each group had an opportunity to be bike riders, pedestrians, drive miniature battery-operated cars, and participate in fire safety planning and drills.

We appreciate the Abilene Police Department and our third grade teachers for giving us this learning opportunity in such a fun setting, and all of our parents and volunteers who gave generously of their time to help make this trip possible. Parents and volunteers participating were Julie May, Alla Giles, Marko Herrera, Veronica Seaton, Kathy Scitem, Cliffa Vaughn, Mindy Laminack, Jimmy and Becca Woodall, Don and Linda Sherrod, Rafael Mata, and a special thanks to our bus driver Melissa Whitten.

Students participating (back row - left to right) Freddy Montelongo, Rafael Mata, Kaleena Burt, Cassidy Tolan, Arlette Giles, Kourtney Seaton, Kathryn Woodall, Ethan May, Jose Maldonado, Omar Valasquez; (middle row) Flavio Herrera, Turner Whitten, Hunter Childers, Christina Shawyer, Rodrigo Mata, Alexia Madera, Yulissa Madera, Betty Cruz, Brenton Coan, Keighvin Kehl; (bottom row) J. C. Prado, Tomas Rodriguez, Vanessa Longoria, Whitney Bryant, Asahel Garcia, Garett Vaughn, Thomas Trevino, Bailey Underwood, Kodie Sparger and Rylan Laminack.

## Super Notes

By David K. Perry  
dperry@gorman.esc14.net  
734-3171

The forecast for this week looks a little better than the last couple of weeks. We may get some good moisture by Friday, but not the frozen kind. At this time I don't know if our boys are in the playoffs or not, but either way, track season is upon us now as well as power lifting and baseball. If you are a track fan, it won't be long before we begin having meets to attend. Our track was resurfaced last year and Coach Talbert plans on hosting a couple of practice meets right here. I will give you the dates as soon as I have them.

If you have a student participating in U.I.L. Academic competition, please encourage them to attend practice meets to hone their skills. There is one coming up this Saturday in Wylie. Please encourage your student to make a commitment to his coach today to attend. Remember, there is a lot more money available for college scholarships and grants for academics than there is for athletics. Not everyone is a gifted athlete, but everyone can find something in which they can compete in academic competition. Parents, this is an opportunity for you to cut your expenses when your student goes to college.

One of the issues that are coming up real quick in this legislative session is the issue of vouchers. I am asking that everyone that reads this article to call, write, or fax a letter to Congressman Keffer, Senator Frasier, Representative Eissler (Chairman of the House Education Committee), and Senator Shapiro (Chairman of the Senate Education Committee) and register your opposition to vouchers. Vouchers undermine the public school system and spending taxpayer funds to finance private schools which have no accountability to the state whatsoever. Vouchers are unacceptable for any reason, anywhere. It is my fear that once this faction gets their foot in the door for a voucher program for one thing, it will gradually undermine the public school system and start us down the road to privatization of the public schools, a slippery slope from which we never recover. Here are the addresses and phone numbers: The Honorable Rob Eissler, Room EXT E1 414, P.O. Box 2910, Austin, TX 78768, (512) 463-0797, (512) 463-0898 Fax; The Honorable Florence Shapiro, P.O. Box 12068, Capitol Station, Austin, Texas 78711, (512) 463-0108, Fax (512) 463-7579; The Honorable Troy Frasier, P.O. Box 12068, Capitol Station, Austin, Texas 78711 (512) 463-0124, fax: (325) 676-8060; The Honorable Jim Keffer, Room EXT E2.418, P.O. Box 2910, Austin, TX 78768, (512) 463-0656, (800) 586-4515 Toll-free, (512) 478-8805 Fax. Don't believe any stories about students trapped in low performing schools. We already have a transfer system in

place that works. To the best of my knowledge, all the schools in our area are rated at academically acceptable or above and Gorman has a zero dropout rate. Public schools work and they are improving all the time! I don't want to fund private schools with taxpayer money! Do you?

We had a visit from Meredith Lincoln this week. She was here to talk to seniors about attending Tarleton State University next year. Tarleton is the closest four year college that our students may attend.

Here are a few dates you might want to remember:  
2/8 Cinderella 7:30pm in the auditorium  
2/10 UIL Practice Meet @ Wylie  
2/13 Baseball @ Gordon 4:00  
Remember, it takes community involvement for a school to be successful and you are welcome to get involved at Gorman ISD anytime. This is your school; these are your children; and these children are your future! Your input is always welcome. Come help us shape the future.

## DESDEMONA NEWS BY VONNIE GUTHERY

Ladies Monthly Social will be held on Monday, February 12th at the Desdemona Community Center School Building. This morning event is well attended each month. Visitors are welcome to attend to enjoy the good food and fellowship. Hostesses are Dorothy Roberts and Vonnie Guthery.

Mark your calendar for Saturday, February 17th -- this is the date for the Senior Citizens Dance at the Desdemona Community Center School Gym. The concession stand will open at 5:30 p.m. Come early to enjoy supper before the dance begins at 7:00 p.m. "Buck Sutton and The City Limits" from the Brownwood area will provide the music for this dance. \$4.00 admission for those who come to dance. No alcohol and no smoking permitted. Visitors are welcome.

Lots of sickness in our community. Several cases of the "Flu" has been reported. Remember the sick and shut-ins with your cards and prayers.

Desdemona Monthly Musical will be held on Saturday, February 24 at the Community Center School Building. The concession stand will open at 5:30 p.m. serving sandwiches, homemade pie and drinks. Come early to enjoy supper and have fellowship with the group before the music program begins at 6:00 p.m. All area musicians, singers and visitors are invited to attend. Bring your friends and neighbors to enjoy good Country and Western music. Admission is "FREE".

LaRue (Carr) Campbell, her son, Bob Campbell and wife, Nancy of Eunice, NM visited several days in Desdemona with her sisters, Eddie and Linda (Carr) Lindley; Ken and Rena (Carr) Maltby and in Stephenville with another sister, Don and Ann (Carr) Brazell.

Please contact this reporter with your weekly news. Your help will be appreciated. Thanks - have a nice day, Coon.

## KOKOMO NEWS BY ZELDA JORDAN

What a beautiful day this Monday has been. The sunshine was so wonderful after so many cloudy cold days. The weatherman promises a few more warm sunny days this week. We are thankful.

Bro. Jim Haggard of Strawn brought the messages at the Kokomo Baptist Church on Sunday February 4th. Other visitors were his wife, Bobbie Haggard, Wayne and Loren Eaves and Dianna Rodgers. "Happy Birthday" was sung to Thomas Seay, and in honor of Brian Bond's Birthday, though Brian wasn't in the service with us. In place of special music, Thomas Seay read a special poem, written by his son, Tommy Seay, "What A Day That Will Be".

Using several scriptures, Bro. Haggard's message in the morning service was on excuses people use not to accept God's invitation to eternal salvation. The message in the evening service was from Psalms 37:1-8 and other scriptures on "The Joy of The Lord", to have that joy, it must be desired, must be sought and must be preferred.

Andy Hansen of Morgan Mill will be the speaker for the Morning service on Sunday, February 11th at the Kokomo Baptist Church and Ernest Walls of Gorman will be the speaker in the evening service. The evening service begins at 5:00 P.M.

The Wednesday evening service on February 7th will be dismissed so members may go to the First Baptist Church in Eastland to hear Dr. Frank S. Page, president of the Southern Baptist Convention, speak.

Dwayne and Connie Snider of Stephenville and LaVon Snider enjoyed supper and a visit together at ZJ's in Gorman on Thursday night.

Dwayne Snider and LaVon Snider attended the funeral of a dear friend, Carolyn Eaves in Brownwood on Saturday. While in Brownwood LaVon enjoyed a visit with a former land lady, Charlotte Lee, now of Waco, and many other friends. Dwayne and LaVon had lunch at Underwood's.

Kathy, Dale, Scott and Matt Collum of Huckabay, Gene and Kay Snider and LaVon Snider visited with Mike, Crystal, Rachel and Michelle Snider on Saturday night and enjoyed a belated birthday party honoring Kathy. Kathy had the misfortune to fall recently and broke a kneecap and an elbow that required surgery. We wish her a speedy recovery from her injuries.

Sylvia Buchanan, Zelda Jordan, Norma Webb and Daisy Slaton visited with Nancy Hendricks in the De Leon Nursing Home. We hope that Nancy will soon be back at her home.

Durwood and Aletha Burgess visited with Oren and Norma Webb on Thursday. Renee Webb of Comanche was visiting with Oren and Norma on Monday.

Tricia Rose Reneau of Ranger visited during the weekend with an uncle and aunt, David and Cassie Brasher.

Zelda Jordan took a little tumble in her garage on Wednesday evening, as she was going to her car to go to church, that resulted in a cut just above her left eye and a very black eye, and a badly bruised knee. Oren and Norma Webb came and took her to the ER at the Eastland Memorial Hospital to get the cut taken care of and the knee X-rayed that revealed no broken bones nor damage to the knee replacement. She was very fortunate, but was advised to see her orthopedic doctor in Abilene just as a precaution. Zelda and Cassie Brasher were in Abilene on Monday and Glenda Black joined them for a visit to the orthopedic doctor's office where he confirmed there was no damage except the badly bruised knee. Thanks to all those on duty in the ER who gave such good care. Others visiting with Zelda were Woodrow and Helen Browning, Glenda Black of Abilene and Ray White of Hawley. Thanks to these and for the prayers and concern of many others.

## Gorman City Commission Minutes

FEBRUARY 1, 2007

The Gorman City Commission met on the above date. Those present were Mayor Robert Ervin, Commissioners Nathan Files, Joe Casey and Don Underwood. Others present were USDA Rural Development representative Patricia Butler, and Billy Carson.

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

Mayor Ervin called the meeting to order @ 5:30 p.m.

The motion was made to approve the minutes with correct names and times. A second was made by Joe. Motion carried 3-0.

Don made the motion to approve the bills for payment. Joe made a second. Motion carried 3-0.

Tacy discussed the need for an update of the water utility program. Membership to the TWRA was discussed, and the street repair issue of Ector, Briscoe, and Brewer - at this time. No action taken.

Billy Carson was present to inform the commission that the City of Gorman Police Department was awarded the Governors Criminal Justice Division Vehicle Replacement grant. Officer Carson presented the bids for a 2007 pick up. Nathan made the motion to accept the bid submitted by Bayer Motor Company of Comanche, TX for the new pick up purchase. Don made a second to the motion. Motion carried 3-0. (Bid will be attached to minutes in the minute book.) The commission thanked Billy for his efforts, and success of this grant program.

Nathan made the motion to or-

der graphics for both pick ups. Don made a second. Motion carried 3-0.

Reports were submitted by each department head. All was self explanatory, no action was required.

Joe made the motion to approve the submission of the Gorman Independent School District to hold a joint election with the City for the May election date. The May joint election will be held in the Gorman Community Center, owned by the City of Gorman, located @ 118 N. Kent St., Gorman, TX. Nathan made a second to the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

At this time Mayor Ervin entertained the motion to order the May 12, 2007 General Election. Joe made the motion with a second from Don. Motion carried 3-0.

There being no further business for discussion or action. Don made the motion to adjourn with a second from Joe. Motion carried, time was 6:20 p.m.

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## Pinewood Derby Races Held Recently At FMC



Myles Turner and Ryse Vaughn

January is the time for the annual Pinewood Derby Races. They were held Tuesday, January 30th at the Methodist Church. Special thanks to Victor and Karen Pena and the Methodist Church for sponsoring the scouts in Gorman. We couldn't do it without a place to meet, a church body, and

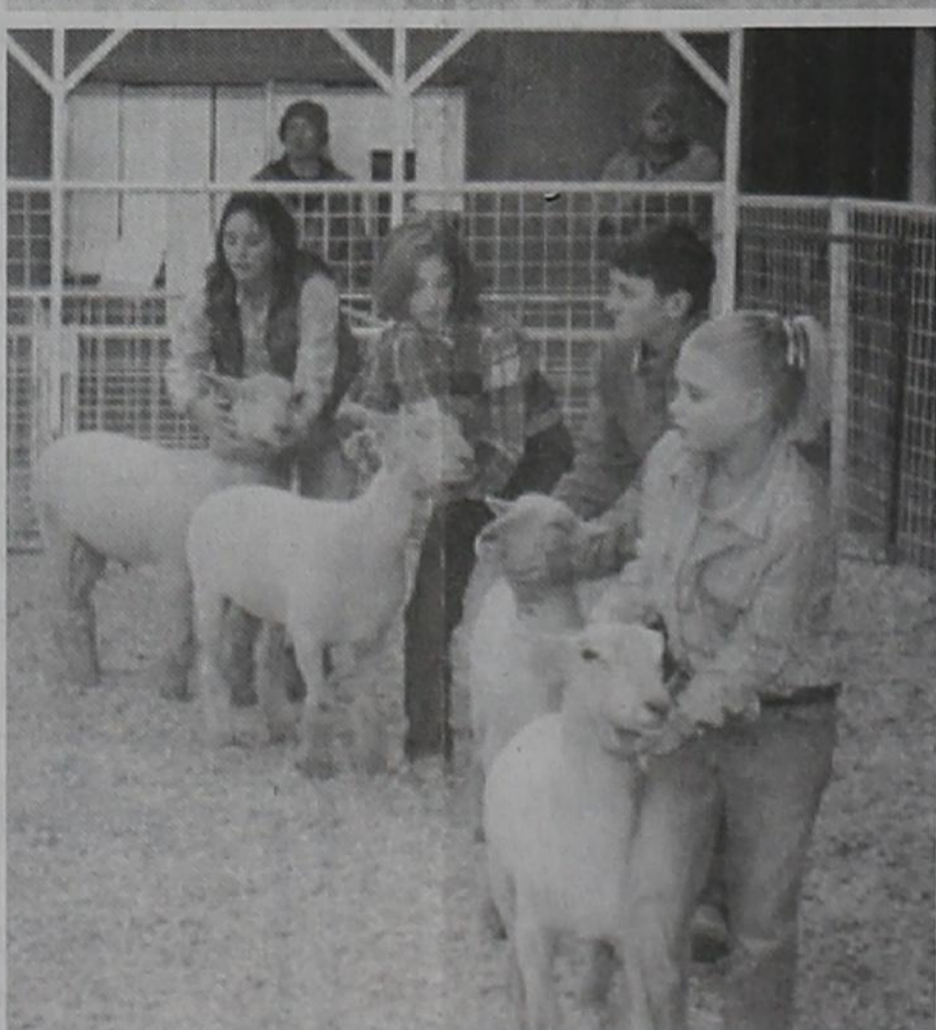
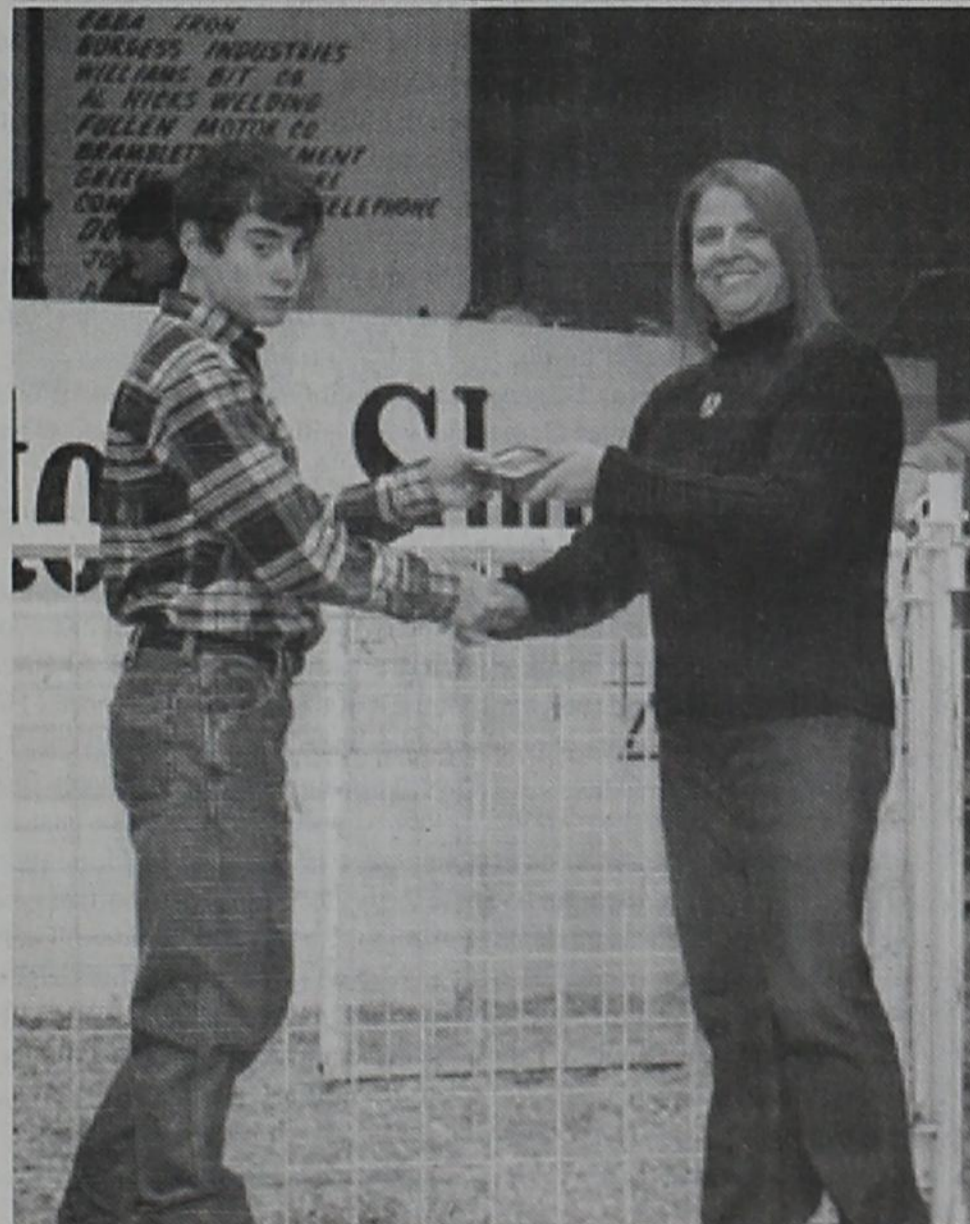


Ryland Laminack and Hunter Childers

private donations that keeps us going. The Cub Scout whose car was the fastest was (R) Hunter Childers. His car was designed like a shark and it ate up the track. Second place was (L) Ryland Laminack with his winning car from last year. It still did exceptionally well. Congratulations boys! The Boy Scouts also participated by helping to run this event and they raced their cars afterwards. The fastest of the Boy Scouts was (R) Ryse Vaughn and second was (L) Myles Turner. Ryse Vaughn and T.J. Trevino are recent new Boy Scouts. They graduated from the Webelos program in December. Congratulations to them for all their efforts.

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## 4-H NEWS

Dale Dunlap and Halee Walton - Eastland County  
**NEW 4-H TRAP SHOOTING PROJECT MEETING**  
 If you are interested in shooting trap or watching clay pigeons burst..... your need to come to the planning meeting. Trap and skeet shooting is a shotgun project and the object is to shoot the clay target flying through the air. Eastland County 4-H has plans to start a new Trap and Skeet Shooting Project for interested youth, ages 9-19 years of age. A Project Planning Meeting is being held on Wednesday, February 7th at 5:30 p.m. in the Courthouse Conference Room. This meeting is mandatory if you are interested in the project. We will be discussing gun safety, 4-H leaders, project meetings, and costs for the participants. If you are interested, please come to the meeting or call the Extension Office and talk with Dale Dunlap (629-1093 or 629-2222). A Shooting Sports Project can be Loads of Fun!!!

### FASHION DESIGN WORKSHOP

Marci Pearson will be conducting a workshop on February 15th at 5:30 p.m. in the Courthouse Conference Room. Bring any designs you may be working on, fashion magazines, etc. It will be fun, so do not miss out on this opportunity. Come with ideas and questions..... pencils, paper, and croakers (silhouette) will be furnished. This workshop will also help prepare you for the Eastland County 4-H Fashion Show. If you have any questions, please call Halee Walton at 629-2222.

### EASTLAND COUNTY 4-H FASHION SHOW

Red Gap 4-H Club will be hosting the 2007 Eastland County 4-H Fashion Show on Saturday, March 3rd with registration at 9:00 a.m. and judging at 9:30 in Cisco and the location is still uncertain.

Categories you may enter are Construction (making a garment) or Buying (purchasing a garment), Fashion Design (drawing a design of apparel, accessory or textile). Clover Kids, Juniors and Intermediates will use the form in the Fashion Show packet. Seniors need to use the state paperwork which on the website <http://fcs.tamu.edu>

Call the Eastland County Extension Office at 629-2222 or 629-1093 or email Halee Walton at [hdwalton@ag.tamu.edu](mailto:hdwalton@ag.tamu.edu) by February 23rd and let her know your division, category and age group. Paperwork is required for all contestants. The information packet can be picked up at the Extension Office and is due in the Extension office by February 27th. The District Fashion Show will be on March 23rd in Waco.

### 4-H LIVESTOCK JUDGING TEAM

If you want to participate on the 4-H Livestock Judging Team, you need to call the Texas Cooperative Extension Office at 629-1093 or 629-2222 and give us your name by February 23rd. We will start 4-H Livestock Judging in early March. Do Not Forget To Call !!! We will notify those interested of work-out schedules, location, etc. District Judging Contest will be April 13th in Stephenville.

## Heritage Manor News

By Ina Smith

We would like to extend our deepest heartfelt sympathy to the family and friends of George Johnson, Buryl Warren and Steve Spivey. They will be greatly missed in our community.

February is Great American Pie Month. We will be hosting a Pie Fair here at Heritage Manor on Feb. 9th. We would like to invite everyone to participate in this. Categories are: Fried Pies, Fruit Pies, Cream Pies, and Ice Box Pies. Age groups are: grade school, junior high, high school and adults. Ribbons will be presented to the top 3 in each categories and age groups. Please bring your entries to Heritage Manor before noon on Friday Feb. 9th. If prefer you bring your entry in a disposable pan. **RESIDENT'S WILL BE THE JUDGES.** For more information call 734-2202. Please pass this information to you family, friends and neighbors.

We will be putting our Valentine boxes up on this Friday. We would like to invite everyone to come and put a valentine in our sweetheart's boxes. At the present time we have 25 residents. You may put them in the boxes yourself or leave them in the office and I will pass them out. We will be electing our King, Queen, Princes, and Princess the morning of 14th and they will be honored with a party at 2:30 that afternoon. Please come and join us.

We had a wonderful Singing on Monday. Those coming to sing were: Ernestine Campbell, Marjorie Treaway, Daisy Slaton, Ruby Kinsler, Woodrow and Helen Browning, Billy Joe and Betty Sue Dennis, and Zelda Jordan. Following the singing we had our monthly birthday party. We only had one birthday in February and that was Don Estes. Everyone enjoyed the cake, coffee and punch and visiting with friends.

Kevin and Weldon Seitem visited with Troy Scitem and Jelma Smith. Ruthie Porter and Ima Brown visited with Troy Scitem and Imogene Norris and several others.

Visiting with Lottie Morris were Kay Snider, Woodrow and Helen Browning, and Louise Smart.

Visiting with Jelma Smith were Jeff Smith of Eastland, and Johnny and Ina Smith.

Visiting with Troy Scitem were LaVerne and Tommy Carr of Whitney, Mickey Carr of Dallas, Johnny and JoAnn Scitem.

Visiting with Joann Murdoch were Jewel Dean Morris of DeLeon and Annie Faye Foster.

Visiting Euncie Love were Tylee Jones, Joy and Larry Campbell, Ronnie and Barbara Love and Bro. Larry Stogsdill.

Sylvia Estes of DeLeon visited with her parents, T.D. and Patty Whitehorn. Visiting with Don Estes were Kay and Freddie Rodgers. Visiting with Arvel Barnett were Kay Lasater of Eastland, and Larry and Colene Barnett of Wylie. Jerry Majors of DeLeon and Kellie Majors visited Lavona Sharp...

There are probably some visitors I missed and I apologize for that. If you do visit someone at Heritage Manor, be sure and sign the book in their room, or let me know.

Congratulations to JoAnn Fraley for being such a dedicated, devoted employee. Joann has worked here at this facility for 25 years. Be sure and read the article elsewhere.

Until next time.....Ina

## Senior Citizens News

Carol Ward

We enjoyed our weekly luncheon on the 31st with 25 in attendance. I do hope our group will grow as the weather gets warmer. We were used to having 30 to 40 people at the center.

Barbara Bush called us to order and sometimes that's hard to do with all the visiting. Jud Maxfield gave the blessing of the food and for us all, especially the sick.

We missed having Nancy Hendricks with us. She is spending some time in the De Leon Nursing Home in De Leon. We do pray that she can go home soon and be back with us on Wednesday.

Toadie Zink had back surgery in Fort Worth. I hear she is convalescing very well and home already. I do hope she continues to improve. We all signed cards for her and Nancy.

We all enjoyed seeing Martha Rainey's new grandson Ethan. He is much a cute little chub. I know she is glad to have daughter Jill Torres living near again. Especially to see grandchild more often and watch them grow.

Opal Burton has started taking treatments again, pray all goes well. We do miss seeing her at the dinner.

It was good to have the Maxfields and Jerry Underwood back with us. We do miss any good helpers.

Don't forget game night on Thursdays at 5 p.m.