

The Gorman Progress

Gorman, Eastland County, Texas 76454

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DECEMBER 11, 1997

Gorman Peanut Classic Basketball Tourney Results

Cross Plains 45, May 36

Girls
May 8 12 7 9-36
Cross Plains 7 4 15 19-45
May — Murphy 6, Ribble 5, Jackson 3,
Reid 7, Crim 4, O'Malley 7, Allen 6.
Cross Plains — Butler 8, Mitchell 10,
Giles 16, Fleming 4, Beggs 2, Ricci 2,
Richey 4.

Gustine 41, Rising Star 39

Girls
Gustine 7 7 15 12-41
Rising Star 6 8 12 13-39
Gustine — Stephens 7, Roming 9,
Drake 2, Creech 8, Stark 15.
Rising Star — Collins 6, Agnew 2,
Jones 2, Harrelson 2, Funderburk 2, Griffin
12, Westerman 4, Jackson 2, Ware 7.

Cross Plains 53,

Gorman 44

Girls
Cross Plains 10 16 13 14-53
Gorman 14 14 7 9-44
Cross Plains — Beggs 4, Ricci 14,
Richey 2, Butler 13, Francy 2, Mitchell 2,
Giles 13, Fleming 3.
Gorman — Sanchez 4, Rordiquez 2,
Guthery 4, Norris 6, Snider 3, Shackelford 6,
Gilmore 11, Goode 10.

Cross Plains 54, May 42

Boys
C.P. 16 13 7 18-54
May 10 17 6 9-42
Cross Plains — Pancake 3, Ricci 2,
Turner 17, J. Richards 3, C. Richards 4,
Edgington 7, Blackstock 13, Hargrove 3.
May — Purcell 15, Cottrell 2, McKenzie 10,
Tidwell 2, Jackson 7, Thompson 6, Harrell 2.

Rising Star 59, Gustine 48

Boys
Rising Star 13 10 17 19-59
Gustine 6 10 15 17-48
Rising Star — K. Morris 13, Lowe 2,
Rutledge 2, McGinn 2, Franklin 12, K.O.
Morris 22, Harris 6.
Gustine — Johnson 1, Hesbrook 6,
Hungerford 26, Medina 3, Hesbrook 2,
Escamilla 7, Thedford 3.

Cross Plains 55,

Gorman 48

Boys
Cross Plains 14 12 18 11-55
Gorman 17 13 14 4-48
Cross Plains — Pancake 2, Swift 4,
Turner 10, Richards 6, Edgington 16,
Blackstock 9, Hargrove 8.
Gorman — Seaton 10, Glover 2,
Burleson 11, Foster 8, Sanchez 4, Hagood
13.

May 56, Rising Star 11

Girls
Rising Star 0 7 0 4-11
May 14 12 17 13-56
Rising Star — Jones 2, Griffin 4,
Westerman 2, Jackson 1, Ware 2.
May — Murphee 9, Ribble 7, Jackson 4,
R. Reid 7, Crume 2, Crim 10, O'Malley 2, B.
Reid 1, Allen 14.

Cross Plains 60,

Gustine 20

Girls
Gustine 6 8 0 6-20
Cross Plains 21 16 17 6-60
Gustine — Crockett 2, Roming 6, Droke
3, Creech 2, Blue 2, Stark 3, Medina 2.
Cross Plains — Beggs 4, Ricci 4,
Richey 4, Butler 4, Guise 4, McCarty 10,
Frany 8, Mitchell 5, Giles 9, Fleming 4,
Dillard 4.

May 56, Gorman 42

Girls
May 15 13 11 17-56
Gorman 6 15 8 13-42
May — Murphee 6, Ribble 12, Jackson
7, R. Reid 3, Crume 11, O'Malley 10, Allen 6.
Gorman — Sanchez 2, Guthery 4,
Norris 4, Snider 1, Stephens 8, Shackelford
1, Gilmore 11, Goode 11.

Rising Star 56, May 50

Boys
Rising Star 17 15 13 11-56
May 16 14 9 11-50
Rising Star — Kory Morris 23, Lowe 2,
Rutledge 2, Williams 2, Franklin 4, Koby
Morris 12, Jerrel Harris 1, Jeff Harris 10.
May — B. Purcell 13, Cottrell 6,
McKenzie 16, Jackson 4, Holland 1, J.
Purcell 2, Thompson 4, Smith 2, Harrell 2.

Cross Plains 67,

Gustine 25

Boys
Gustine 10 5 5 5-25
Cross Plains 17 19 13 18-67
Gustine — Hesbrook 3, Hungerford 6,
Medina 3, A. Hesbrook 3, Escamilla 4,
Thedford 6.
Cross Plains — Pancake 7, Swift 2,
Ricci 7, Turner 17, J. Richards 3, Edgington
10, Blackstock 14, Hargrove 7.

May 60, Gorman 54

Boys
May 14 15 11 20-60
Gorman 7 9 17 21-54
May — B. Purcell 20, Cottrell 2,
McKenzie 6, Jackson 2, Holland 6, J. Purcell
8, Thompson 11, Smith 2, Harrell 2.
Gorman — Seaton 12, Burleson 24,
Foster 5, Sanchez 3, Haygood 10.

Gorman 44, Gustine 24

Girls
Gustine 4 1 9 10-24
Gorman 10 13 5 16-44
Gustine — Stephens 7, Johnson 1,
Roming 2, Drake 3, Munger 1, Creech 4,
Blue 2, Stark 4.
Gorman — Sanchez 15, Rodriguez 4,
Guthery 8, Norris 2, Snyder 6, Stephens 1,
Shackelford 4, Goode 4.

Cross Plains 61,

Rising Star 21

Girls
Cross Plains 20 20 19 2-61
Rising Star 1 6 0 15-21
Cross Plains — Beggs 3, Ricci 10,
Richey 2, Butler 7, McCarty 6, Mitchell 10,
Giles 10, Fleming 6, Dillard 5, Turner 2.
Rising Star — Collins 11, Jones 3,
Griffin 3, Westerman 1, Ware 3.

May 48, Gustine 6

Girls
Gustine 0 2 2 2-6
May 16 9 12 11-48
Gustine — Crockett 2, Drake 2, Stark 2.
May — Murphee 6, Ribble 11, Mcinnis
2, Jackson 3, Reid 4, Crume 2, Crim 6, Molly
10, Allen 4.

Gorman 44, Rising Star 26

Girls
Rising Star 3 8 3 12-26
Gorman 11 9 6 18-44
Rising Star — Collins 6, Agnew 7,
Jones 2, Harrelson 4, Funderburk 1,
Jackson 2, Ware 4.
Gorman — Guthery 13, Rich 2, Norris
18, Snyder 6, Stephens 2, Shackelford 3.

Gustine 39, Gorman 35

Boys
Gustine 8 9 7 15-39
Gorman 4 6 13 12-35
Gustine — Hungerford 13, Medina 8,
Hessbrook 6, Escamilla 5, Thedford 7.
Gorman — Hogan 2, Seaton 8,
Burleson 10, Foster 5, Sanchez 4, Hagood
6.

Cross Plains 75,

Rising Star 40

Boys
Rising Star 9 10 4 17-40
Cross Plains 15 20 18 22-75
Rising Star — Kory Morris 16, Lowe 2,
Franklin 5, Koby Morris 8, Harris 8.
Cross Plains — Pancake 4, Swift 8,
Ricci 8, Turner 10, J. Richards 10, C.
Richards 4, Addington 10, Blackstock 12,
Hargrove 7.

May 56, Gustine 50

Boys
May 23 7 21 5-56
Gustine 13 13 22 2-50
May — B. Purcell 16, Cottrell 6,
McKenzie 8, Jackson 17, Holland 2,
Thompson 9.
Gustine — Johnson 2, T. Hessbrook 1,
Hungerford 10, Medina 4, A. Hessbrook 4,
Escamilla 5, Thedford 22.

Gorman 74, Rising Star 39

Boys
Rising Star 11 12 16 0-39
Gorman 16 22 17 19-74
Rising Star — Kory Morris 10, Rutledge
2, McGinn 2, Koby Morris 21, Harris 4.
Gorman — Cody Simpson 2, Hogan 1,
Seaton 19, Glover 13, Burleson 21, Foster
15, Hagood 2, Casey Simpson 1.

Sanchez - Mauney - Seaton - Clark - Maupin - Sandlin - Cypher - Guthery Named To 8A-All District Teams



Margarito Sanchez
First Team - Running Back
First Team - Punter
Second Team - Linebacker



Reece Clark
Second Team - Tight End
Second Team - Linebacker



Clay Sandlin
First Team - Defensive Back
Second Team - Receiver



Shannon Mauney
First Team - Offensive Lineman
First Team - Defensive End



Robert Seaton
First Team - Receiver
Second Team - Defensive Back



Blake Guthery
First Team - Linebacker



Cy Cypher
First Team - Defensive Lineman
Second Team - Offensive Lineman



Cody Maupin
Second Team - Offensive Lineman

1ST TEAM OFFENSE

M.V.P.	Jim Scott	Baird	6'2"	175 lb.	Sr.
Q.B.	Jarad Richards	Cross Plains	5'10"	160 lb.	Sr.
R.B.	Kent Williams	Rising Star	5'9"	165 lb.	Jr.
	Margarito Sanchez	Gorman	5'10"	175 lb.	Jr.
	Jody Fortune	Cross Plains	5'9"	150 lb.	Sr.
	Shannon Campbell	Baird	5'9"	170 lb.	Sr.
	Josh Roberson	Santa Anna	5'8"	150 lb.	Sr.
REC.	Logan Russell	Baird	5'10"	150 lb.	Soph.
	Robert Seaton	Gorman	5'8"	140 lb.	Jr.
	Jeff Harris	Rising Star	6'1"	160 lb.	Sr.
	Joseph Turner	Cross Plains	5'11"	175 lb.	Sr.
T.E.	Shane Devenport	Baird	6'4"	200 lb.	Sr.
	Rocky Schlager	Lometa	6'3"	185 lb.	Jr.
CENTER	Britt Johnson	Baird	6'	230 lb.	Sr.
OFF. LINE	Jason Rutledge	Rising Star	6'	190 lb.	Sr.
	Justin Tower	Lometa	6'2"	230 lb.	Jr.
	Shannon Mauney	Gorman	5'8"	205 lb.	Sr.
	Carlton Thomas	Cross Plains	6'	170 lb.	Sr.
	Ryan Keeney	Santa Anna	5'9"	177 lb.	Sr.
	Lee Michael Reyna	Baird	5'10"	175 lb.	Sr.
KICKER	Britt Johnson	Baird	6'	230 lb.	Sr.

2ND TEAM OFFENSE

Q.B.	Korey Morris	Rising Star	5'10"	160 lb.	Sr.
R.B.	Daniel Purvis	Cross Plains	6'	175 lb.	Sr.
	Brandon Cook	Rising Star	5'7"	155 lb.	Sr.
	Shane Watson	Santa Anna	6'	154 lb.	Sr.
	Jeremy Rincey	Baird	5'9"	175 lb.	Jr.
REC.	Jeffrey Franklin	Rising Star	5'9"	150 lb.	Jr.
	Dusty Barren	Baird	5'10"	150 lb.	Jr.
	Clay Sandlin	Gorman	5'9"	145 lb.	Sr.
	Zach Edgington	Cross Plains	6'4"	190 lb.	Jr.
T.E.	Dusty Hargrove	Cross Plains	6'2"	185 lb.	Sr.
	Reece Clark	Gorman	6'2"	180 lb.	Sr.
CENTER	Josh Daniel	Santa Anna	6'2"	217 lb.	Sr.
OFF. LINE	Jacob Williams	Lometa	6'	220 lb.	Jr.
	Chris Ray	Evant	6'	180 lb.	Sr.
	Kolt DaPran	Baird	6'	230 lb.	Sr.
	Cy Cypher	Gorman	5'10"	175 lb.	Jr.
	Jeremy Pancake	Cross Plains	5'7"	160 lb.	Sr.
	Josh Shahan	Lometa	6'	215 lb.	Soph.
	Cody Maupin	Gorman	5'9"	140 lb.	Soph.
KICKER	Korey Morris	Rising Star	5'10"	160 lb.	Sr.

1ST TEAM DEFENSE

M.V.P.	Justin Hopkins	Cross Plains	5'8"	155 lb.	Sr.
D.B.	Shane Devenport	Baird	6'4"	200 lb.	Sr.
	Jim Scott	Baird	6'2"	175 lb.	Sr.
	Clay Sandlin	Gorman	5'9"	145 lb.	Sr.
	Joseph Turner	Cross Plains	5'11"	175 lb.	Sr.
	Jarad Richards	Cross Plains	5'10"	160 lb.	Sr.
	Shane Watson	Santa Anna	6'	154 lb.	Sr.
L.B.	Josh Roberson	Santa Anna	5'8"	145 lb.	Sr.
	Blake Guthery	Gorman	5'8"	160 lb.	Jr.
	Jason Rutledge	Rising Star	6'	190 lb.	Sr.
	Kevin Nickerson	Cross Plains	5'10"	155 lb.	Sr.
D.E.	Jeremy Rincey	Baird	5'9"	175 lb.	Jr.
	Justin Tower	Lometa	6'2"	230 lb.	Jr.
	Shannon Mauney	Gorman	5'8"	205 lb.	Sr.
	Dusty Hargrove	Cross Plains	6'2"	185 lb.	Sr.
	Robert Gunn	Baird	5'8"	195 lb.	Sr.
NOSE	Jeremy Pancake	Cross Plains	5'7"	160 lb.	Sr.
D.L.	Kolt Dapron	Baird	6'	230 lb.	Sr.
	Joseph Hopkins	Cross Plains	5'10"	180 lb.	Jr.
	Jesse Goodman	Santa Anna	6'1"	240 lb.	Jr.
	Cy Cypher	Gorman	5'10"	175 lb.	Jr.
	Koby Morris	Rising Star	5'11"	170 lb.	Sr.
PUNTER	Margarito Sanchez	Gorman	5'10"	175 lb.	Jr.

2ND TEAM DEFENSE

D.B.	Clay Crossley	Santa Anna	5'7"	140 lb.	Jr.
	Jeffrey Franklin	Rising Star	5'9"	150 lb.	Jr.
	Robert Seaton	Gorman	5'8"	140 lb.	Jr.
	Logan Russell	Baird	5'10"	150 lb.	Soph.
	Jody Coffman	Evant	6'1"	155 lb.	Sr.
LB.	Ramon Munoz	Lometa	5'9"	175 lb.	Sr.
	Margarito Sanchez	Gorman	5'10"	175 lb.	Jr.
	Reece Clark	Gorman	6'2"	180 lb.	Sr.
	Shannon Campbell	Baird	5'9"	175 lb.	Sr.
	Brandon Cook	Rising Star	5'7"	155 lb.	Sr.
D.E.	Lee Michael Reyna	Baird	5'9"	175 lb.	Sr.
	Carlton Thomas	Cross Plains	6'	170 lb.	Sr.
	Chris Ray	Evant	6'	180 lb.	Sr.
NOSE	Juan Padilla	Santa Anna	5'10"	214 lb.	Jr.
D.L.	Josh Daniel	Santa Anna	6'2"	217 lb.	Sr.
	Jason Gomez	Baird	5'10"	260 lb.	Soph.
	Albert Alvarado	Lometa	5'4"	177 lb.	Soph.
	Ervin Lowther	Rising Star	5'11"	185 lb.	Soph.
PUNTER	Kolt DaPran	Baird	6'	230 lb.	Sr.

Pecan show draws several types of nuts

EASTLAND — The 45th annual Eastland County Pecan Show, the oldest pecan show in the state, drew 91 entries this year.

Charles Walker of Eastland raised the Grand Champion pecans in the Commercial Division with his Choctaw variety. Reserve champion was the Sioux raised by Billy Adams of Olden.

Dan Childress of Cross Plains had the Grand Champion in the Classic Division, while Bill McClesky of Eastland had the Reserve Champion.

In the Natives Division, D.P. Jones of Rising Star raised the Grand Champion and Vera Welch of Eastland the Reserve Champion.

Class results follow:
Apache — 1. D.P. Jones, Rising Star; 2. Vera Welch, Eastland; 3. T.E. Robertson, Breckenridge.
Choctaw — 1. Dan Childress, Cross Plains.
Choclaw — 1. Charles Walker, Eastland; 2. Ervon Hummel, Carbon; 3. Bob Burns, Comanche.
Desirable — 1. Bob Burns; 2. Dan Childress.
Kiowa — 1. Dan Childress; 2. Bill Phillips; 3. D.P. Jones.
Mohawk — 1. Dan Childress; 2. John Phillips.
Cisco; 3. T.E. Robertson.
Pawnee — 1. Dan Childress; 2. Bill Phillips; 3. Rudolph Little, Olden.

Sioux — 1. Billy Adams, Olden; 2. D.P. Jones; 3. Rudolph Little.
Stuart — 1. A.J. Williams, Ranger; 2. Dan Childress; 3. T.E. Robertson.
Tejas — 1. Charles Walker; 2. Vera Welch, Western; 1. Dan Childress; 2. Charles Walker; 3. D.P. Jones.
Wichita — 1. Charles Walker; 2. Bill Phillips; 3. John Phillips.
Barton — 1. Eastland County Courthouse; 2. Michael Ross, Ranger.
Burkett — 1. Michael Ross; 2. Charles Walker; 3. D.P. Jones.
Cherokee — 1. Rudolph Little; 2. Dan Childress.
Comanche — 1. Earl Trout, Lake Leon; 2. Charles Walker; 3. Billy Adams.
Mahan — 1. D.P. Jones; 2. Bob Barnes, Comanche; 3. Charles Walker.
Other — 1. Dan Childress; 2. D.P. Jones; 3. D.L. Childress.
Podsednik — 1. Vera Welch; 2. Dan Childress; 3. Charles Walker.
Shawnee — 1. Dan Childress; 2. T.E. Robertson; 3. Michael Ross, Ranger.
Variety seedlings — 1. Bill McClesky; 2. Billy Adams; 3. T.E. Robertson, Breckenridge.
Lightest Pecan — 1. Ike Hickman, Rising Star.
Natives — 1. D.P. Jones; 2. Vera Welch; 3. Bill McClesky.



ITEMS OF INTEREST

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

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. Howard Hagood, Worshipful Master — Roscoe Reeves, Secretary.

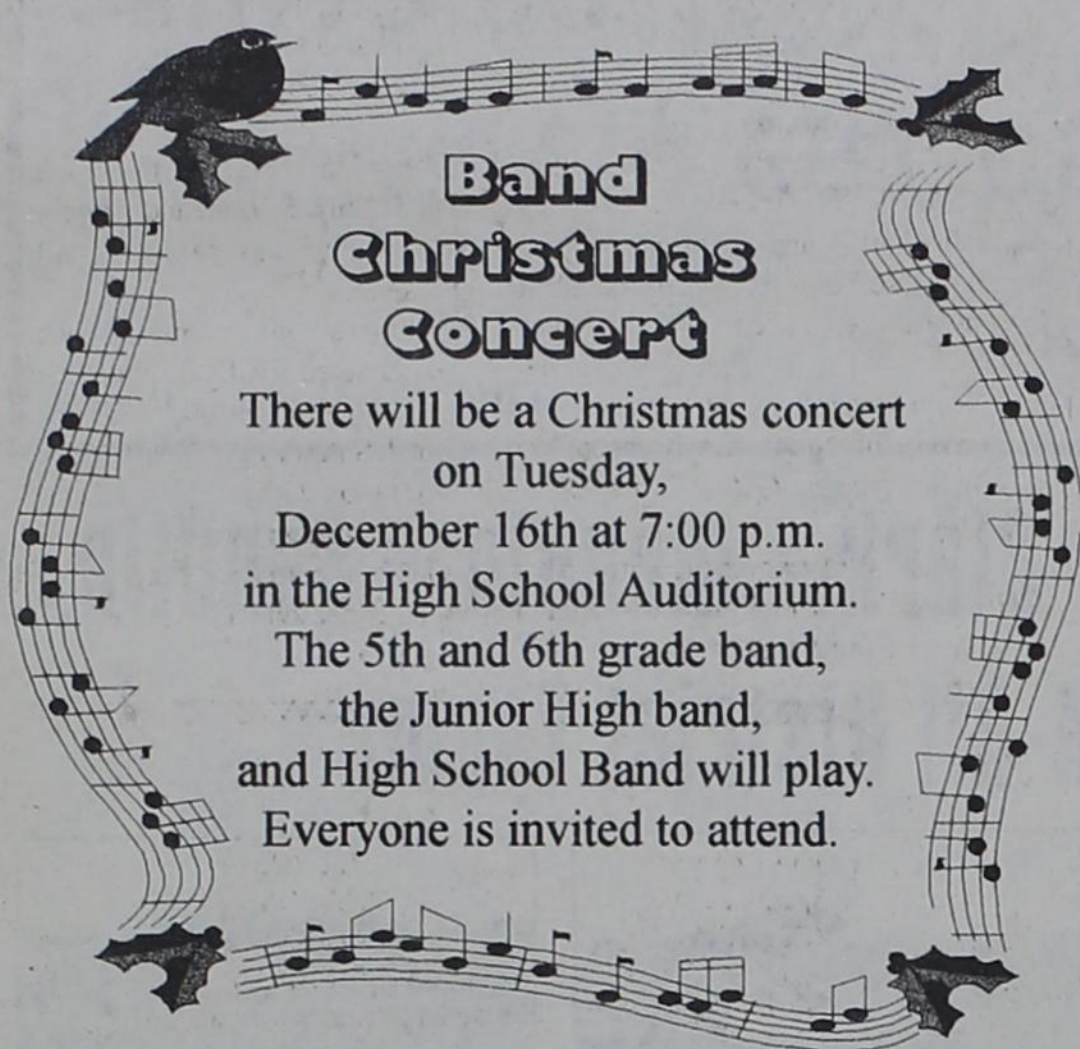
The Order of the Eastern Star holds its regular stated meetings on the first Monday of each month at 7:30 p.m. — Gene Grisham, Worthy Matron - 893-6777 and John Grisham, Worthy Patron 893-6777.

Gorman Primitive Baptist Church has Services Every Sundays. Services begin at 10:30 a.m. Barry Brown, Pastor - 1st and 3rd Sundays; Elder Dale Majors - 2nd Sunday - Everyone Welcome To Attend.

SANDRA CAGLE WILL BE IN GORMAN THE THIRD WEDNESDAY OF EACH MONTH AT THE CITY OFFICE TO RENEW AUTO LICENSE PLATES. HER NEXT VISIT WILL BE DECEMBER 17TH FROM 9 - 12 NOON.

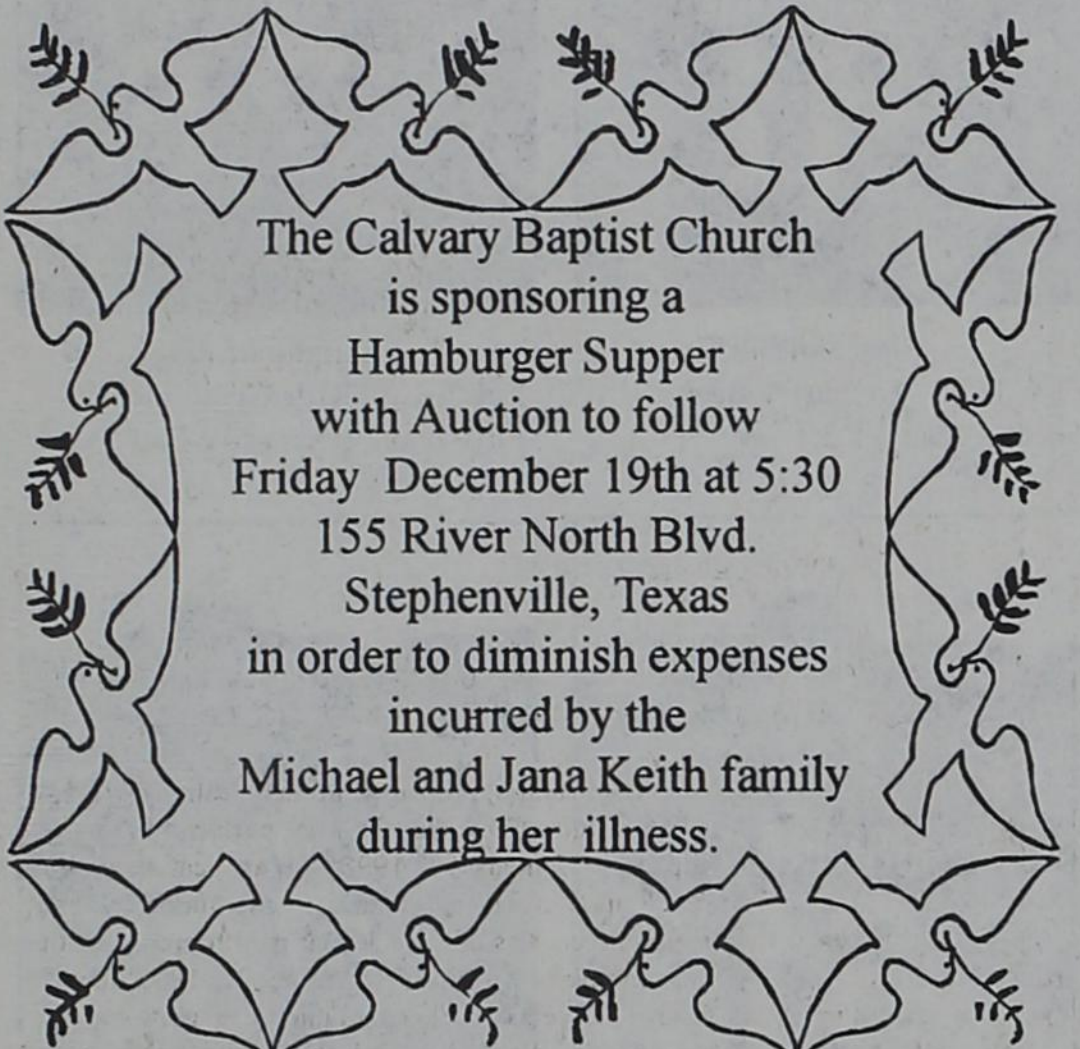
Deadline for news and ads for Christmas Paper has been set for Monday, December 22 Noon - and the deadline for news and ads for New Year's paper is Monday, December 29.

Santa Coming To Gorman December 20



Band Christmas Concert

There will be a Christmas concert on Tuesday, December 16th at 7:00 p.m. in the High School Auditorium. The 5th and 6th grade band, the Junior High band, and High School Band will play. Everyone is invited to attend.

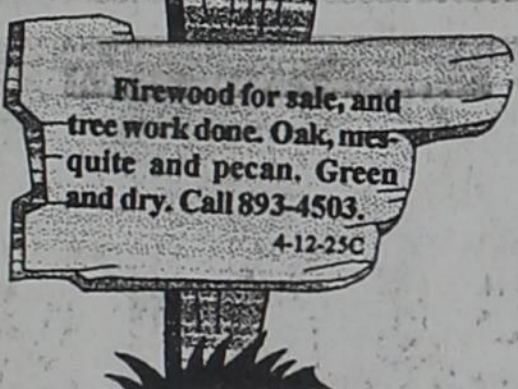


The Calvary Baptist Church

is sponsoring a Hamburger Supper with Auction to follow Friday December 19th at 5:30 155 River North Blvd. Stephenville, Texas in order to diminish expenses incurred by the Michael and Jana Keith family during her illness.

Put Yourself in the Marketplace, in the Classifieds

NEW CROP PECANS-Burkett, Indian variety, inshell, cracked or dehusked. Call 254-647-1832. 4-1-1C



Firewood for sale, and tree work done. Oak, mesquite and pecan. Green and dry. Call 893-4503. 4-12-25C

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For Sale: 3 metal fuel tanks, good condition. Call 734-2848 after 7 p.m. 9-11BM

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Buying junk cars and pickups-DeLeon Auto Supply-Downtown DeLeon 893-6776. 9-18FNC

CNA's Needed: All shifts. Apply in person. EOE. 205 E Ayers. DeLeon Nursing Home. 6-11-20C

Downtown Bldg. For Rent: 12 x 100 space across street from ZJ's Steak House. Call Joe at 734-2410.

ELDERLY HOUSING Available at Hotel Apartments. Contact Brenda at Housing Authority of Call 817-734-2400. 4-6-FNC.

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For Sale: Starter home on 2 lots. Corner lot with 2 large pecan trees, Great garden area, 3 bedroom, 2 baths, dishwasher, 3 ceiling fans, walk in closets, attached carport with storage, fenced back yard, new carpet, tile, paint and mini blinds. Located at 115 Hall street. Great buy! \$19,900. Call Allan Gibbs after 4 on weekdays, anytime Saturday and Sunday. 734-2025. 2-12-18C

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FANTASTIC LOCATION! Large 1 1/2 story, 3 or 4 BR, 2 1/2 bath home with CH/A, fireplace, double attached garage and many other amenities, on approximately 21 acres. Pecan orchard, coastal, city water, water wells, and outbuildings. Too many extras to mention. MIDWAY BETWEEN GORMAN & De Leon - 56,757 acres with 12 yr. old 2 BR 1 1/2 bath home. The land is highly productive, all in coastal, 3 pastures, good fences, pipe pens, 5 stock tanks, barn and outbuildings. 300 ACRES - some cultivation, native pasture, 2 water wells, 3 stock tanks, Aqueduct, some minerals, good hunting! GREAT LOCATION, close to school. 2 bdrm, 1 bath home, carport, stg. bldg. LARGE 2 BR., 1 bath with LR and family room. CH/A, range, refir. Affordably priced and ready for you! 09

EASY ON YOUR BUDGET! 2 br, 1 bath frame, 2 living areas. Needs work, but PRICED TO SELL! 010

FFA Fruit Sale

The Gorman FFA will be selling Washington apples, naval oranges and ruby red grapefruit. The fruit will be sold in 20 lb boxes and 40 lbs boxes. They will have mixed boxes consisting of 1/3 apples, 1/3 oranges and 1/3 grapefruit.

Along with the fruit they will be selling 3 lb boxes of sausage patties, smoked hams, boneless hams and smoked turkey.

The quality of the fruit is very good this year. If a FFA member does not contact you call 734-2505 or 734-2614 and place your order. The orders will be delivered on December 17, 1997.

American Red Cross

The American Red Cross is holding a class of "CPR for the Professional Rescuer". This class is especially designed for persons entering Nurse Training, EMT Training, and Lifeguarding.

This course includes one and two rescuer CPR, Adult/Infant/Child CPR. It is a nine hour course to be held on December 20, beginning at 9:00 a.m.

Cost of the training is \$50 which includes excellent training books. The course will be held at the Red Cross Building, 1610 N. 2nd. Pre-registration is required. For further inf. please call 915-677-2622, or 1-800-927-6771. 2-12-18

LOST

Lost 7 cattle near Oakland cemetery in Comanche County.

- * One red 300lb calf
- * One red longhorn cross-cow (no horns)
- * One large black angus cow
- * One brangus calf
- * Three brangus cows

Call collect: Charles Stubblefield Abilene, Tx. 915-692-6123 3-12-11F

Want To Buy--Peanut Farm! To convert to hay and cattle place. 200-600 Acres. No Agents Please. Call 601-982-8912 4-1-1C

FOUND- Nativity scene on Hwy. 8 West. Call Caro Boswell at 734-2631. 1-12-11P

Granny's Goodies is having a liquidation sale! Everything must go! Ice cream case, tables, chairs, glassware, standard and dorm size refrigerators, deep freeze, and much more. Saturday 8-? 1-12-11C

For Sale: 2 8/10 acres of land on Desdemona Hwy 8. 2 Peanut dryers, 1 eight hole and 1 4 hole with electric motors. Sell one or both. Located across from G&H Feeds. Call 734-2385. 1-12-11P

For Sale: Solidaire Mfg. home, 1848 sq. ft., 4 br, 2 1/2 bath. Breakfast area with bay window, utility room. \$47,000. Call Adora Roberts (972) 712-1426. 10-2FNC

Sentry Service Real Estate: For Sale: 3 Bedroom, 2 bath, 2 car garage on large lot. Call (254) 734-2934. 11-13FNC

FOUND: 14K gold bracelet found in Gorman Post Office. Call to identify. 734-2422. 1-12-4NC

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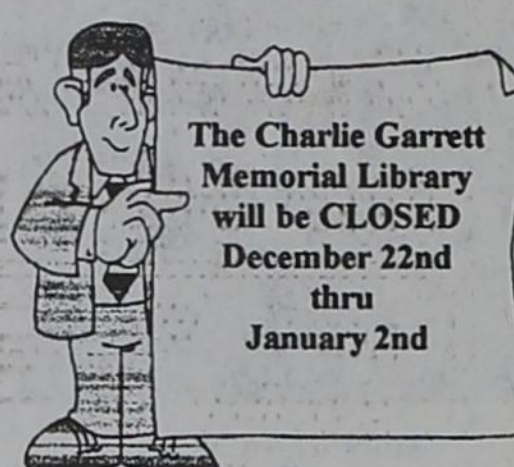
CARD OF THANKS

I want to thank each and everyone that was so thoughtful while I was in the hospital.

For the cards, visits, flowers and calls.

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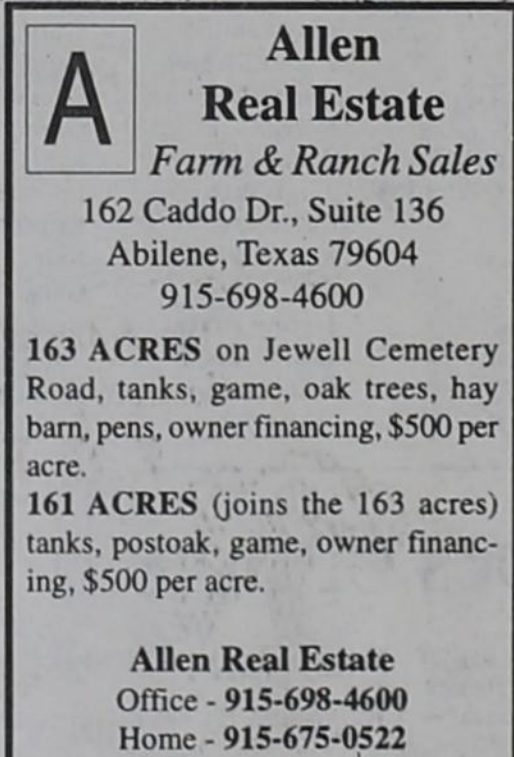
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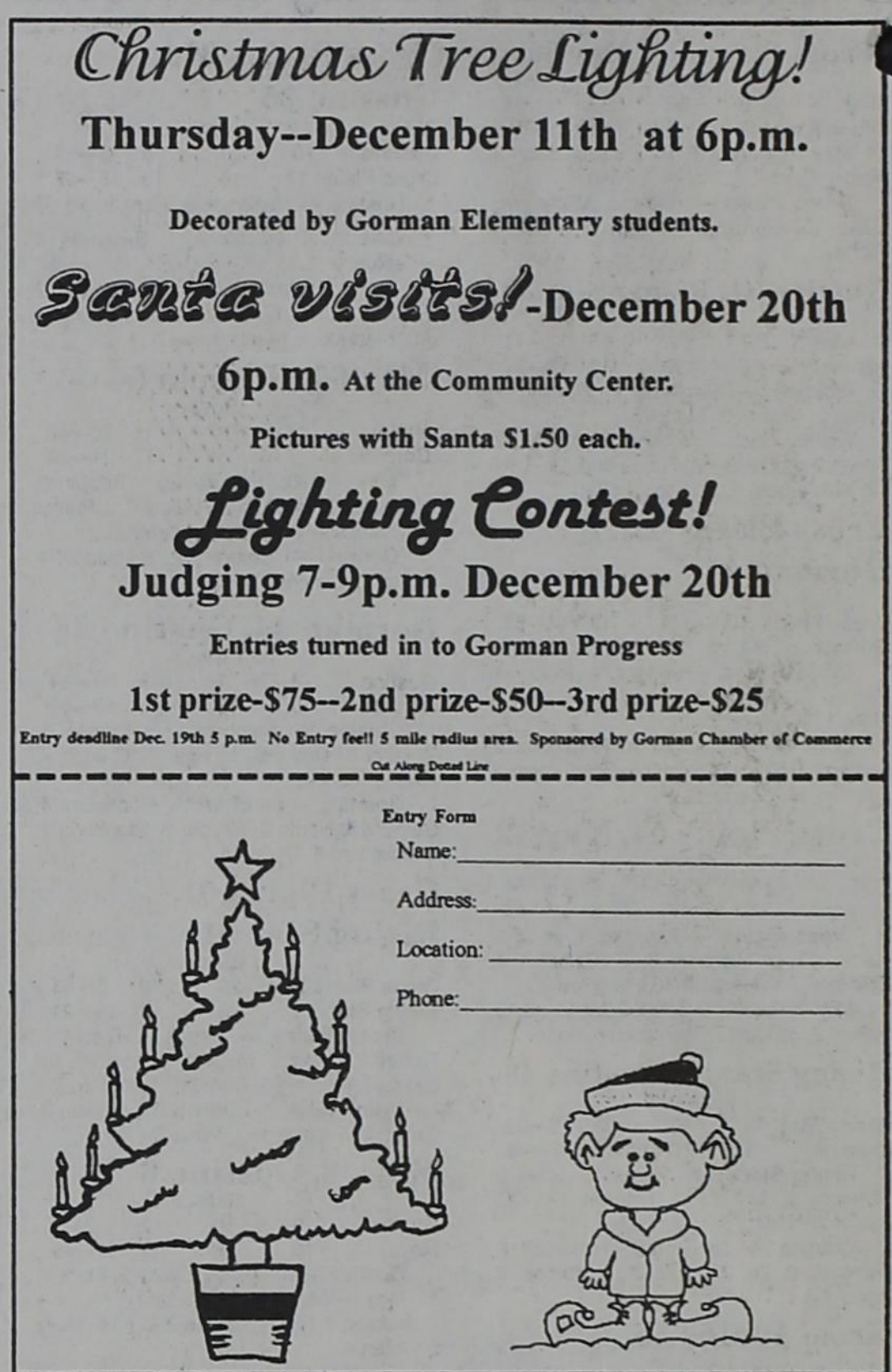
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Santa visits!-December 20th

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Pictures with Santa \$1.50 each.

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Entries turned in to Gorman Progress

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Entry deadline Dec. 19th 5 p.m. No Entry fee! 5 mile radius area. Sponsored by Gorman Chamber of Commerce

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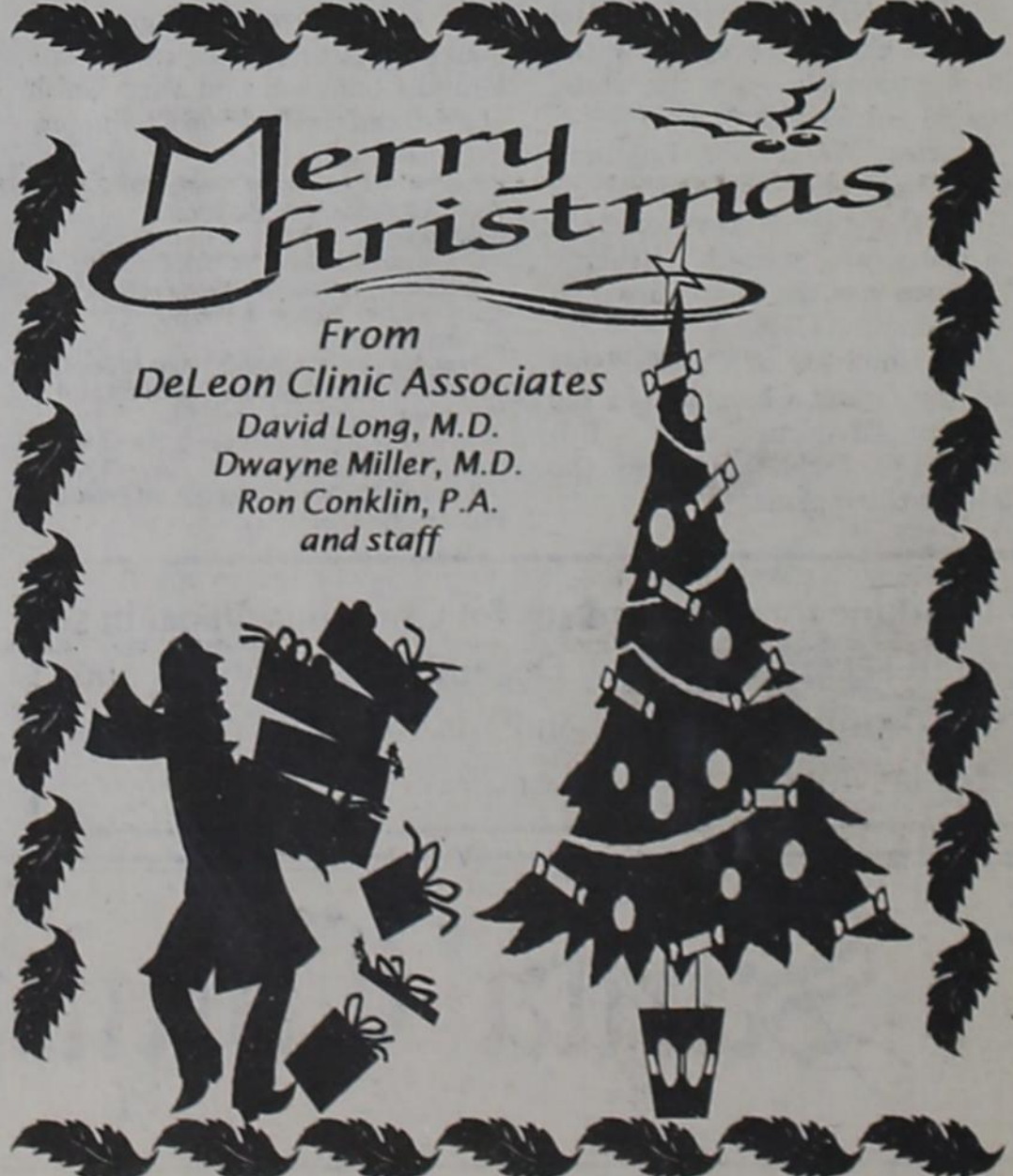
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Merry Christmas

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and staff

Sharyn Lee Boen Laid To Rest Tuesday

Sharyn Lee Boen, 60, of DeLeon passed away Sunday, December 7, 1997 in the DeLeon Hospital.

Mrs. Boen was born Sept. 21, 1937 in Pawnee City, Nebraska. She married Jack Boen in Odessa on May 18, 1958. She was a homemaker and had lived in DeLeon since 1958. She was a member of the Golden Saturday Committee for the Peach and Melon Festival for the past two years.

Funeral services were held, Tuesday, Dec. 9 at the DeLeon First Baptist Church with Jackie Auvenshine officiating. Music was by LaResse Wilkerson and Vickie Robinett. Pallbearers were: Ronnie Quinn, Andy Quinn, Randall Boen, Bryan Boen, Kenneth Quinn, Clifford Coan and Ronnie Floyd. Burial was in the DeLeon Cemetery.

Survivors include: Husband, Jack Boen of DeLeon; Son, Jackson Boen of Abilene; Daughter, Janece Sheetz of DeLeon; 2 brothers, Bill Morehead of Beatrice, Nebraska, Elmer Morehead, Jr. of Lincoln Nebraska; Sister, Karen Sheldon of Lincoln, Nebraska, and 3 grandchildren.

Preceded in death by: 1 son, David Earl Boen and 1 granddaughter.

School Menu

Dec. 15th through Dec. 19th
Breakfast

MONDAY- Cereal, toast, jelly, juice, milk

TUESDAY-Oatmeal, toast, juice, jelly, milk

WEDNESDAY-Sausage & pancakes, syrup, juice, milk

THURSDAY-Scrambled eggs, toast, juice, jelly, milk

FRIDAY-Sausage, biscuits, gravy, juice, milk

Lunch

MONDAY-Hotdogs w/ chili cheese, french fries, peaches, milk

TUESDAY-Turkey dressing, green beans, sweet potatoes, fruit salad, hot rolls, pie, milk

WEDNESDAY-Chicken nuggets, scalloped potatoes, English peas, hot rolls, gravy, cinnamon crisp, milk

THURSDAY-Flame broiled steak, creamed potatoes, carrots, hot rolls, gravy, peanut butter bars, milk

FRIDAY-Ham sandwiches, lettuce, tomato, pickles, pineapple, milk

THANK YOU

The Gorman Oaklawn Cemetery association wishes to extend our appreciation to the 4-H Club members and their parents for participating in such a loyal deed--that of putting flags at the veterans graves on November 10, 1997, in the disagreeably cold afternoon.

The cemetery association would appreciate information from the family, relative or friend who has a veteran buried in this cemetery. With your help we can have a complete record of all veterans.

Thank You,
Gorman Oaklawn
Cemetery Association

CANCELED

The Gospel Music Show, sponsored by the 4-Jesus Quartet and the Dublin Chamber of Commerce, that was scheduled for Saturday Night, December 20, 1997 at the Dublin City Park Building has been CANCELED.

The next show will coincide with the St. Patrick Day festivities in March of 1998.

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DESDEMONA NEWS

By Vonnie Guthery

"Bless that Wonderful Name" a musical Christmas Cantata will be presented by the church choir at the Desdemona First Baptist on Sunday, December 14 at 11:00 a.m. morning service.

Stephanie Jobe Inaugurated

Kappa Delta Pi, an International Honor Society in Education, is dedicated to scholarship and excellence in education. It promotes the development and dissemination of worthy education ideas and practices, recognizes scholarship and excellence in education and maintains a high degree of professional fellowship. Stephanie Jobe, a Gorman High school graduate, was inaugurated into the Pi Iota Chapter of Kappa Delta Pi at Tarleton State University on November 20th.

Led by Elwood Ragland with Karen Eaves at the piano. Visitors are welcome.

"Christmas Story" will be presented by the younger children of the church

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on Sunday evening, December 14 at 6:00 p.m. You are invited to attend both of these services. Fruit bags and gifts will be presented to all the children who attend. Refreshments for all following the children's play.

Bro. Jim Haggard of Strawn was voted to serve as interim pastor of the First Baptist Church for an extended time.

Ruth Daffron fell at her home last Monday and she is slowly recovering from her bruises. Get well wishes goes out to her.

Eloise Williams spent Saturday in Hico with her sister Patsy and husband. Wayne and Karen Eaves, Lorin

Kaye, Vonnie Guthery, Belinda Webb and Kandice Martin was in Dublin on Sunday, December 7th to attend a birthday party for Colin Zane Garcia who celebrated his 2nd birthday hosted by his parents, George and Angela. Cake and punch was served to all those present.

Desdemona montly musical will be canceled for December due to the busy holiday season. Will begin on fourth Saturday in January 1998 (which will be on 24th).

Remember the sick and shut-ins with your cards and prayers during the holiday season. They do enjoy receiving mail.

Customer Notice

Comanche County Telephone Company, Inc. (Comanche County or the Company) has filed a request with the Public Utility Commission of Texas (Commission), Tariff Control Number 18375, seeking approval to implement a minor rate increase for basic access line rates and some service order charges. The affected residential rates include: 1-Party and Tel-Assistance. The affected business rates include: 1-Party, Rotary Service and PBX Trunk. The affected non-recurring service order rates include: Service Ordering, Line Connection and Maintenance of Service.

The proposed effective date for the minor rate change is March 1, 1998. The estimated annual revenue increase recognized by the Company is \$75,696.00 or 2.76% of total regulated intrastate gross annual revenues.

Current and Proposed rates are as follows:

SERVICE	RESIDENCE		BUSINESS	
	Current	Proposed	Current	Proposed
Access Line Rates				
1-Party	\$ 8.00	\$ 8.75	\$11.75	\$12.85
Tel-Assistance	\$ 2.80	\$ 3.05	n/a	n/a
Rotary	n/a	n/a	\$18.50	\$20.25
PBX Trunk	n/a	n/a	\$18.50	\$20.25
Non-recurring Charges				
Primary Service Order	\$15.00	\$20.00	\$15.00	\$25.00
Secondary Service Order	\$ 5.00	\$10.00	\$ 5.00	\$10.00
Line Connection	\$10.00	\$15.00	\$20.00	\$25.00
Maintenance of Service	\$30.00	\$35.00	\$30.00	\$35.00

If the PUC receives a complaint(s) relating to this application signed by the lessor of 5% or 1,500 of the affected local service customers to which this application applies by January 29, 1998, the application will be docketed. The 5% limitation will be calculated based upon the total number of customers of record as of the calendar month preceding the PUC's receipt of the complaint(s). As of September 30, 1997, the 5% limitation equals 260 customers. A request to intervene, participate, or for further information should be mailed to the Public Utility Commission of Texas, P.O. Box 13326, Austin, Texas 78711-3326. Further information may also be obtained by calling the Public Utility Commission's Office of Customer Protection at (512) 936-7120 or toll free at 1-888-782-8477. Hearing-and-speech impaired individuals with text telephone (TTY) may contact the PUC at (512) 936-7136.

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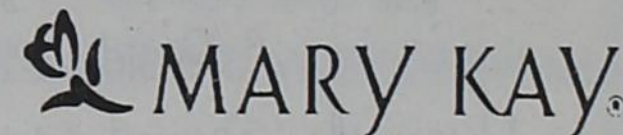


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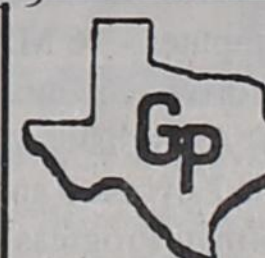
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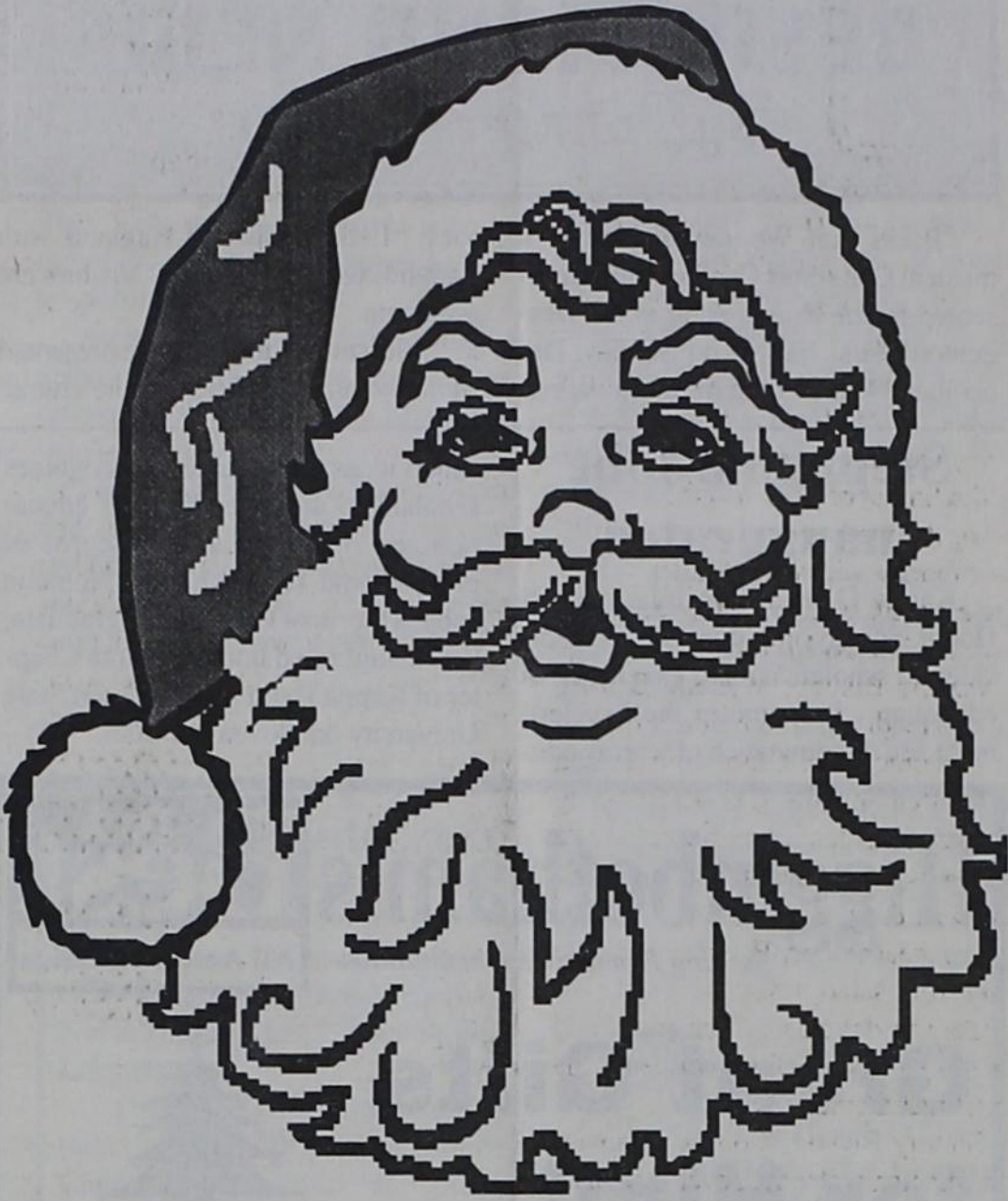
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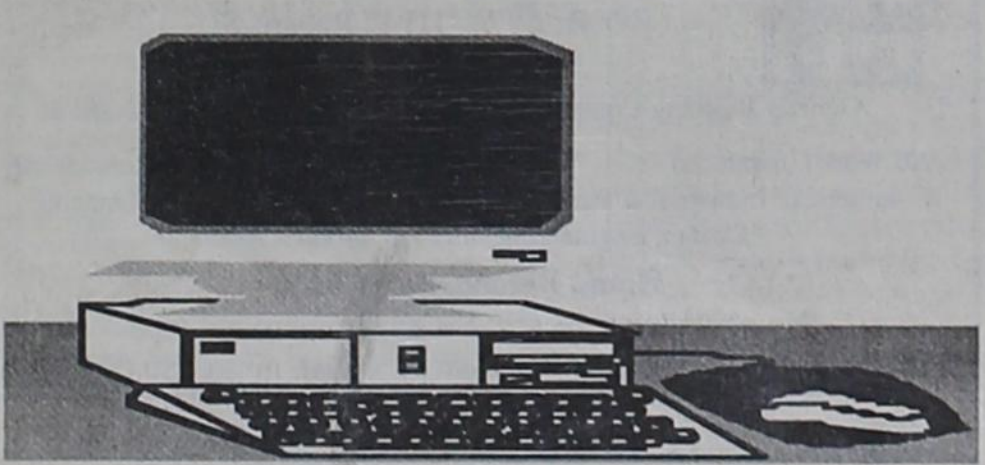
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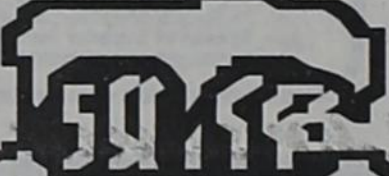
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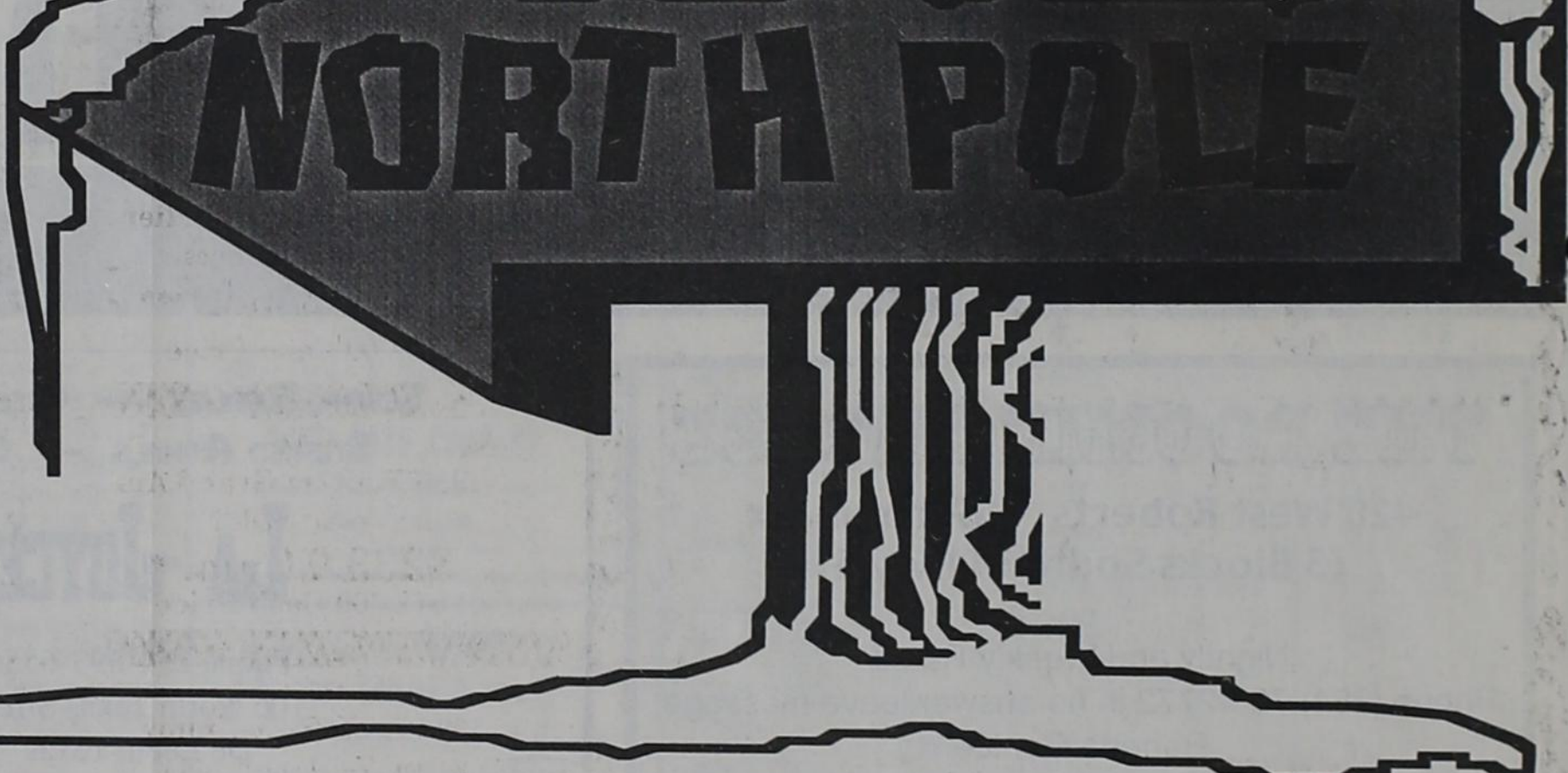
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Letters to Santa



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Love,
Seth Johnson

Dear Santa,

Hi Santa! How are you? What do you want for Christmas? Well I want a Nintendo, a star wars game, Super Mario game, bow and arrows and a snow cone machine. I will leave you some milk and pizza.

Love,
Trey Underwood

P.S. how do your reindeer fly?

Dear Santa,

How have you been this Christmas? Anyway I have been nice. I will leave you milk and cookies. I want a My Size barbie, a ring, Casey Cartwheel, a barbie Jeep, and some blocks.

Love,
Megan Lewis

I believe in you.

Dear Santa,

I love you. You are nice. I want a Ninetodo 64. I will leave some milk and cookies. I have been good. I also want a trainset and bow and arrowset.

Love,
Tony Perez

Dear Santa,

How are you? Please bring me a cd or tape player, paint set, easy bake oven, new clothes for school and a finger nail polish. I have been good. I will leave some coffee and cookies.

Love,
Elizabeth Lewis

Dear Santa,

Hi! How are you? I hope every thing is okay at the North Pole. I want a pretty pretty princess, play Esmerelda shoe, jewelry, new dog and a pet snake. I can't wait until Christmas!

Love,
Elise Duke

Dear Santa,

How are you? This is what I want for Christmas. A Game Boy Pocket, a game, new clothes, and rings. I haven't got in trouble once this week and I'll leave you some cookies and milk.

Love,
Tecia Jones

Dear Santa,

Hi! How are you doing? Please bring me some shoes, a new bike, recliner, pants and shirts. I will leave you some milk and cookies. I have been very good.

Love,
Kendra Lewis

Dear Santa,

I have been good this year. I want a barbie, a play kitchen and some new

shirts, lures, movies and a horn holder, binoculars. I've been a good boy. I'll leave you some milk and cookies to drink and eat.

Love,
Kennon Hornback

Dear Santa

Hi! How are you? I'm going to leave you some milk and cookies on the table. I've been good. Please can you bring me a Dallas Cowboy Helmet, camouflage truck and a deer stand?

Love,
Trey Holdman

Dear Santa,

I can't wait until Christmas. Will you please bring me My Size Barbie, Skates, mittens, Nintendo 64, Bible, Nikes, and a swimming pool. I'm going to leave you some peanut butter cookies. I have been good.

Love,
Brittany Rainey

Dear Santa,

Hi! How are you? I want a doll house, rollerblades, a barbie car. I will leave you some coffee and cooks. I have been a good girl.

Love,
Angelica Gomez

Dear Santa,

I have been good this year. I want a barbie, a play kitchen and some new

clothes.

Love,
Ashley Burkeen

Dear Santa,

Hi Santa! I can't wait until Christmas comes. I want a My Slze Barbie, a Niutendo 64, a real pony, a bike and a swimming pool. I was good this year. I will leave some cookies. They are chocolate chip.

Love,
Reba Granado

Dear Santa,

I have been good this year. I want a new bike, nintendo with games, truck, and a race car.

Love,
Raymond

Dear Santa,

Hi! How are you? I can't wait till Christmas. I will leave you milk and cookies. I would like a gigga pet cat, a panther necklace, a cheerleader suit, a painting face kid doll, an easy bake oven. Santa I have been very good.

Love,
Mary Kathryn Powell

Dear Santa,

I love you. You are very sweet. I want a football jersey, a TV VCR, new jean, more sweats, nitendo game. I have been a good boy. I will leave cooies, milk, coffee and tea.

Love
Marc Gillen

KOKOMO NEWS

ZELDA JORDAN -- PHONE 639-2289

Youth Group From Huckabay to be at Kokomo Baptist Church

A youth group from the Huckabay Baptist church will be at the Kokomo Baptist Church for a program on Sunday morning, Dec. 14 at the 11:00 a.m. service. Dale and Kathy Collum will accompany the young people. Visitors are welcome, and I am sure that everyone will receive a blessing from these dedicated Christian young people in their service for the Lord.

There will be a pizza lunch in the fellowship hall following the service.

The youth group and their leaders will go to Heritage Manor in Gorman for the Sunday afternoon church service at 2:30 with her Kokomo Baptist Church.

The choir of the church rendered the special music at the Sunday morning service at the Kokomo Baptist Church.

The time for the Christmas program at the Kokomo Baptist Church has been set for Wednesday, Dec. 17 beginning at 6:00 p.m. Santa will be there at the

end of the program to delight the youngsters and the young at heart. Then all will adjourn to the fellowship hall for a time of visiting and a barbecue sandwich supper with all the trimmings and fruit cobbles. Visitors are welcome to come and enjoy this happy time with us.

Sunday was a cold rainy day in our community. I received a little over 8 tenths of an inch of rain. Monday was a beautiful sunny day, but guess we better enjoy it to the fullest as the weather forecasters tell us it could get cold and maybe even snow later in the week.

Jamie Clearman of Ovalo visited during the weekend with his mother, Anna Laura Clearman. Dianne Walser of Hereford visited on Monday night and Tuesday with her mother, Mrs. Clearman.

Jimmy and Maggie Nelson and Teresa, Quinton and Samantha Findley of Fort Worth and Cassie Nelson visited during the weekend with Clifford and Lurline Nelson.

Visitors with Nancy Hendricks were Ruth Bryant, Hope Joiner, Doris Bradshaw and Zelda Jordan.

Betty and Earl Little visited with Zelda Jordan.

Ted Snider had lunch with his mother, Hazel Snider last Tuesday. Kay Snider also visited with Hazel and La Von Snider of Brownwood was here during the weekend. Ted also visited this Monday with Mrs. Snider.

Kokomo FCE Club Members Attend Christmas Luncheon

Francis Bishop, Wynelle Brown, Nancy Hendricks and Zelda Jordan of the Kokomo FCE Club were among those attending the Eastland County FCE Christmas Luncheon at the Women's Club in Eastland on Monday, Dec. 8.

The meal of ham, layered vegetable salad, fruit salad, rolls, pie and tea or coffee was delicious. The room and tables were beautifully decorated in the Christmas theme.

Tammy Belyeu, County Association Director, welcomed everyone. The program, "Creative Ways to Recycle Christmas Cards" given by Stephens County Extension Agent Amy Russler was very enjoyable and informative. We have all wondered at times what to do with all the beautiful Christmas cards we receive, and she showed many ways to use them in making gifts and decorations.

Janet Thomas, Eastland county Extension Agent, who is retiring on January 31, 1988 gave her "farewell speech" to the group recognizing the clubs and their leaders and thanking them for all the work they had done for the good of their clubs, communities and county. She gave a special thanks to the Kokomo Club for all the years they have been a club. The Kokomo Club is disbanded as of Dec. 31, 1997, due to the decline in membership and the health of some of the members which makes it difficult to carry on the club's work.

Janet Thomas has been a wonderful Extension Agent and she will certainly be missed, but we wish her the very best in her retirement.

The ladies who were in the FCE Club hope to enlist help from the community to carry on some of the club's projects such as the annual stew sup-

Which Church Saves?

by Rev. Dane Gressett

I've often been asked "Which religion do you belong to?" I once knew a man who had been baptized or sprinkled as a Catholic, a Methodist, a Church of Christ, and a Baptist several times. I think all in all he had been baptized seven times. "I'm not sure which religion is right so I've just kind of tried them all." Too many people

have "converted" to somebody's particular concept of God and not God Himself! "I'm a Methodist... I'm a Catholic... I'm a Baptist... I'm a Charismatic... I'm a member of the Church of Christ...etc." Which church saves anyway?

Once I questioned a young boy about his recent "decision" for the Lord. I said, "Larry, I understand something very important happened in your life this week. What happened?" He said, "I got saved." I asked, "What did you get saved from?" He slowly responded, "I don't know." If a drowning man were miraculously pulled out of the deep, would he know what he got saved from? If a man with terminal cancer walked away from the hospital with no

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trace of cancer, would he have an idea of what he was saved from? I think so. If you ever truly get saved from the penalty and power of your sins you will know too!

On another occasion a woman who had left the church of her childhood to join a different denomination was being criticized and ostracized by her family. She told me how her mother said, "I am afraid you are going to go to hell for leaving the church." Which church saves? Which church died on the cross for your sins? None of them!! Dear friend, no church or religion can save you. No preacher can save you. We have been separated from a Holy God because of our sins. It is Jesus who saves! Salvation is not a "plan" or a concept! It is a glorious Person: Jesus Christ! *"for the Son of Man has come to seek and to save that which was lost."* (Luke 19:10)

Religion will leave you guilty in your sins. Church rituals by themselves will leave you empty inside. Traditions passed on through well meaning people can never give the calm assurance that you are truly forgiven of your sins. Only a dynamic encounter and ongoing relationship with Jesus Christ is the answer.

RETROSPECT

By Leo Williams

I often pause to reflect upon
The passing time, things long gone by.
For time has no special friend,
And for all things, time brings an end.

I ponder about those early years
The sound of tiny feet scamperin' cross the floor.
Those busy years were gone too soon,
And then those sounds were heard no more.

And all God's gifts along the way
Dismissed in lieu of less important deeds.
The Sabbath morn, the sound of song,
And nature's grand parade
Were not among my special needs.

From earth's clay we are all born,
And soon we shall return.
We must take the time for life's free gifts
That are born of God, no way to earn.

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HERITAGE MANOR NEWS

By Nancy Hendricks

Hello Everyone,

Happy Holiday to all of you. I trust all of you had a great Thanksgiving.

We are happy to report two of our residents are out of the hospital. Mrs. Velma Bennett and Mrs. Hazel Wisdom. We hope each of them have a speedy recovery.

We realize that this is a very busy time of year for all of us, but come to see us when you can and may God Bless.

Dean Christian McNeill
Administrator

The next birthday party will be Tuesday, December 30 at 1:30 p.m. Veno Hale is the only December birthday. Friends and relatives are invited.

On Wednesday Sunee Stacy brought chapel for Ora Mae Atchison, Irene Heathington, Veno Hale, Inez Rogers, Cynthia Earles, Effie Mae Brown, S.D. Gilmore, Patty Whitehorn, Iola Johnson, Varona Taylor, Jack and Mildred Bellows.

Those coming from the Abundant Life Church on Saturday were Rev. John and Charlotte Howard, K'Ann, Trey, Tara, Lacy and Lana Howard. Guests were Jean, Robert, Melody and Malichai Smith. Residents were Patty Whitehorn, (guest T.D. Whitehorn), Cynthia Earles, Inez Rogers, Iola Johnson, Veno Hale, Myrtle Hale, Velma Bennett, Irene Heathington, Ollie Halcomb, S.D. Gilmore, Effie Mae Brown, Jack and Mildred Bellows.

Visiting Edward Johnson and Eulon

Perry were Waldene Jones of Dublin, Fay Johnson, Edgar Reynolds and Dewey Keese.

On Sunday morning Ora Lee Lowrence of First Baptist Church taught the Sunday School lesson for Cynthia Earles, Veno Hale, Ollie Halcomb, S.D. Gilmore, Effie Mae Brown, Jack and Mildred Bellows.

Visiting Mary Williams were Jeff Harrison of Abilene, Maxine Frasier of DeLeon, Enis Love, Mayvis Lasater, Ina Reynolds, Bruce and Lavoyce Hirst, Durwood Webb, Howard and Pat Hagood, Nancy Hendricks, Anna Rush and Estelle Erwin.

Those coming from New Hope Baptist Church on Sunday were Rev. Richard Watson, Marjorie Treadway, Lane and Ernestine Campbell, Larry and Joy Campbell. Guests were Rev. T.D. Whitehorn and Pat Graham. Residents were Patty Whitehorn, Jack and Mildred Bellows. Ollie Halcomb, Inez Rogers, Ruby Vandergriff, A.V. Seay, Irene Heathington, Cynthia Earles, Velma Bennett, S.D. Gilmore, Effie Mae Brown and Veno Hale.

Visiting S.D. Gilmore and Effie Mae Brown were Mary Ficklen, Louise Hollywood, Howard and Pat Hagood, Durwood Webb.

Some of Iola Johnson's guests were Della Galloway, Ina Reynolds, Nell Sherman, Anna Rush and Estelle Erwin.

On Friday Ina Scitem had bingo and Residents Council meeting for Veno Hale, Varona Taylor, Patty

Whitehorn, Cynthia Earles, S.D. Gilmore, Effie Mae Brown, Velma Bennett, Iola Johnson, Jack and Mildred Bellows and Ora Mae Atchison.

Some of Aletha Yarborough's guests were Jean, Robert, Melody and Malichai Smith of Grand Prairie, Mary Ruth Beschorn of San Antonio, Alma Dickerson, Diana Snider, Eunice Love, Anna Rush and Estelle Erwin.

On Friday Mary Ficklen of Desdemona came and read the book, "Winds of Texas" by Harry Marlin of Brownwood, for Jack and Mildred Bellows, Velma Bennett, Effie Mae Brown, S.D. Gilmore, Ollie Halcomb, Irene Heathington, Iola Johnson, Inez Rogers, A.V. Seay, Varona Taylor, Patty Whitehorn and Cynthia Earles.

Some of Inez Rogers and Ora Mae Atchison's guests were Modene Rodgers of Sinton, Barbra Spencer of Dallas, Rondald Rodgers of McAllen, Buddy Rogers of Ranger, Fred Rogers, Della Galloway, Chesley Atchison, Edie Nichols of Stephenville, Oneida and Casey Gartman of Camay, Tiffany Nowlin, Ima Lee Burleson, Georgie Ann Iley, Eunice Love, Elmer and Maudell Watson and Judy McCurdy of Granbury, Slaeada Brown, Dr. and Mrs. Chesley Royace Atchison.

On Monday Ina Scitem had bingo for Cynthia Earles, Veno Hale, Ollie Halcomb, Inez Rogers, S.D. Gilmore, Effie Mae Brown, Iola Johnson, Irene Heathington, Patty Whitehorn, Varona Taylor, Jack and Mildred Bellows.

Some of Cynthia Earles and Mabel Reynolds' guests were Joyce Forrest, V.O. Huff, Era Maupin, Edgar Reynolds, Fay Johnson, Eunice Love, Mayvis Lasater, Ina Reynolds.

Visiting Varona Taylor were Billy

and Janda Taylor. Mrs. Taylor enjoyed Thanksgiving dinner at the Billy Taylor home.

Some of Velma Bennett and Myrtle Hale's guests were Ina Reynolds of Carbon, Michael, Olinda, Amy, Randy and Emily Hale of Corpus Christi, Haley, Kyle, Royce and Lisa Corbell of Amarillo, Janice and Diana Glover, Mark Glover, David Joiner, Icy Munn, Nancy Hendricks, Amanda Overstreet, Hope Joiner, David Joiner, Ennis and Nina Hale, Argie and Marjorie Hale, Anna Rush and Estelle Erwin.

Those coming for the sing-a-long on Monday were Willo Rice, Della Galloway, Daisy Slaton, Zelda Jordan, Ernestine Campbell, Alpha Mae Andry, Nancy Hendricks, Ruth Bryant, Anna Rush, Estelle Erwin. Residents were Dorothy Beaty, Patty Whitehorn, A.V. Seay, Varona Taylor, Inez Rogers, Iola Johnson, S.D. Gilmore, Effie Mae Brown, Cynthia Earles, Irene Heathington, Veno Hale, Annie Hale, Jack and Mildred Bellows.

Visiting A.V. Seay were Eddie Reeves, Martin Seay, Duke Seay, Thomas and Vicki Seay, Tommy Seay, Eunice Love.

We are happy to report Skinnie Lewis has returned from the DeLeon Hospital.

Visiting Ollie Halcomb and Dorothy Beaty were David and Denna Halcomb, Mayvis Lasater, Eunice Love.

On Tuesday Betty Duke from Desdemona came and played the electric keyboard for Aletha Yarborough, Cynthia Earles, Varona Taylor, Iola Johnson, Irene Heathington, Veno Hale, Ollie Halcomb, S.D. Gilmore, Effie Mae Brown, Jack and Mildred Bellows.

Don and Nell Sherman, Ina Reynolds visited Sibyl Urban.

On Tuesday Ina Scitem had "Gift Bingo" for Cynthia Earles, Veno Hale, Ollie Halcomb, Inez Rogers, Irene Heathington, Patty Whitehorn, Effie Mae Brown, S.D. Gilmore, Varona Taylor, A.V. Seay, Mildred and Jack Bellows.

Darrell and Pat Ingram visited Jack and Mildred Bellows.

Visiting Ava Rodgers were Ima Brown, Deanna Chupp, Mayvis Lasater, Pat and Howard Hagood, Zelda Jordan, Nancy Hendricks, Ruth Bryant and Eunice Love.

On Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. the Hogan Band gave a performance. Band members were Carroll Hogan, Hershel and Margaret Gibson, Paul and Imogene Norris, Lloyd Glasson and Marshall Reeves. Guests were Anna Rush, Alpha Mae Andry, Estelle Erwin, Dottie Reeves, Nancy Hendricks, Ruth Bryant, and Doris Bradshaw. Residents were Maggie Snider, Aletha Yarborough, Jack and Mildred Bellows, A.V. Seay, Varona Taylor, Ora Mae Atchison, Iola Johnson, Dorothy Beaty, Ollie Halcomb, Veno Hale, S.D. Gilmore, Effie Mae Brown, Cynthia Earles, Inez Rogers, Irene Heathington.

Some of Frank Skiles and Travis Smith's guests were Casey, Misty and

Travis Austin Chupp of Alverado, Michael Smith of Stephenville, M.L. Skiles, Ron and Nina Skiles, Wynogene Smith and Barbra Smith.

Visiting Hazel Wisdom were Bob and Merlene Wisdom, Eloise and Leo Williams, Ken and Pat Kincannon and Inez Rogers.

Those enjoying "Horse Races" with Ina Scitem on Wednesday were Cynthia Earles, Varona Taylor, Inez Rogers, Veno Hale, Ollie Halcomb, and Irene Heathington.

Some of Bea O'Neal's guests were Jena Rone, Pat and Howard Hagood, Mayvis Lasater, Eunice Love, Billie Bennett and Nancy Hendricks.

Anna Rush and Estelle Erwin visited Ola Walker, Vadis Phelps, Ina Mae Tarrance and Levenia Blair.

Visiting Patty Whitehorn and Rubye Jones were Julie Clark, Corkey and Jerry Brown, T.D. Whitehorn, Sylvia Estes of San Antonio, Mary Estes, Dr. and Mrs. Michael Whitehorn of Abilene.

On Wednesday Ina Scitem had Word Games for Cynthia Earles, Irene Heathington, Ollie Halcomb, Inez Rogers, Veno Hale, Varona Taylor and A.V. Seay.

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Girls				
Rising Star	5	3	4	9-21
Gorman	9	12	10	13-44
Rising Star — Goldston 3, Collins 2, Agnow 1, Jones 5, Harrelson 6, Ware 4.				
Gorman — Sanchez 12, Rodriguez 6, Guthery 6, Norris 4, Snider 4, Stephens 4, Shackelford 1, Goode 10.				
Records — Gorman 4-5.				
JV score — Gorman 31, Rising Star 9.				

Rising Star 69, Gorman 42

Boys				
Rising Star	26	16	9	18-69
Gorman	2	14	14	12-42
Rising Star — Korey Morris 19, Lowe 3, Franklin 7, Lee 2, Kobey Morris 29, Jerrel Harris 4, Jeff Harris 6.				
Gorman — Simpson 2, Hogan 2, Seaton 2, Burleson 7, Foster 13, Cruz 3, Sanchez 4, Haygood 11.				

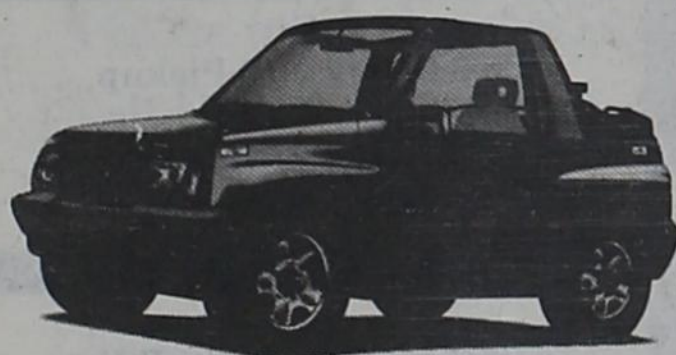
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