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Meet The Athletes

The Gorman Athletic Booster Club would like to invite everyone to Meet the Athletes on Thursday, September 2 at Brogdon Field right before 6:00 p.m. when the Gorman Jr. High team plays Santo.

We will also be hosting a Hamburger Supper. For a minimum membership donation of $10.00 each family member will get a hamburger with chips and a drink; otherwise, the meal deal will be $5.00.

Family and Friends pictures will also be taken with all Junior High and High School athletes. So get your favorite Panther, Lady Panther, Cheerleader, Cub and/or Lady Cub and cherish the moment. The pictures will begin at 4:00 p.m. with the Panthers and others will follow. All athletes will be announced before the Jr. High game begins.

Lions Club Community Blood Drive

The Gorman Lions Club will host a blood drive on Thursday, September 2. The Meek Blood Center Bloodmobile will be at the City Park from noon until 6:00 p.m. Blood may be donated every eight weeks, so those who gave blood in DeLeon on July 8 will be eligible to give blood on September 2. "This is an important blood drive, because it is right before the Labor Day Weekend. I hope that we will have a good turnout for this drive," said Frances Baker, donor recruiter.

"There are seventeen hospitals and medical facilities that depend on Meek Blood Center to have blood available when it is needed by their patients. This includes cancer patients, dialysis patients, accident victims, surgical patients, newborn babies, those with anemia, and patients who have internal bleeding. Blood donors are a lifeline to these patients. They are the true heroes of the community who give others a chance at life by giving the gift of life," said Baker.

Blood donors must be at least 17 years old, weigh at least 110 pounds, in good health, and free of illness or infection. There is no upper age limit. Most prescription and over-the-counter medications are acceptable. Those who have questions regarding eligibility may call Meek Blood Center at 325-670-2798.

Each donor will receive a T-shirt that commemorates September 11, 2001, and a complimentary total cholesterol reading. Cholesterol results can be obtained two days after the blood drive by calling 325-670-2799.

School News

Monday, August 30—Band Practice—7:00-9:00 p.m.
Tuesday, August 31—
Wednesday, September 1—Student Council Election
Thursday, September 2—Jr. High Football--Gorman vs Santo 6 p.m.
Volleyball Tournament-Albany
Meet the Panthers Night
Pictures start at 4:00 p.m.
Friday, September 3—HS Football--Gorman vs Santo-there - 7:30 p.m.

Relay For Life

One in three Americans will be diagnosed with cancer in their lifetime. The American Cancer Society Relay For Life gives everyone the opportunity to fight back and to make a difference in the battle against cancer.

Teams come from businesses, clubs, families, friends, hospitals, churches, schools and service organizations. Be a part of a Relay team and make a difference!

Please call Cheri Troutman at 734-2668 if you are interested in forming a team. Team registration is $10.00.

UMC Pre-School Registration

The United Methodist Church Learning Center is accepting Pre-School Registration for ages 2 and 3 on Thursday, August 26th, from 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. at the church or call 734-2849 or 734-3185.

EXS GORMAN EX STUDENTS ASSOCIATION

We hope you are making plans to attend the Gorman Schools Homecoming celebration this year on Saturday, September 11. Homecoming will be held during the Peanut Festival again this year.

-A number of Homecoming activities will be held including:

-A booth in downtown Gorman on Saturday morning

-An Ex Student Association float featuring the reigning Coming Home Queen and all former Coming Home Queens,

-A patriotic program at the business meeting and a Gorman Schools Open House and Tour on Saturday afternoon and

-A Recognition dinner at ZJ's Saturday night. Tickets are available in advance and will be sold at the registration booth in the morning and at the busines meeting in the afternoon on Saturday.

There will be plenty to do. Come and bring your families!

Little Midgets Recognition

Monday, August 30, 2004 at 5:30pm the association will present awards to all the members of the Little Midgets baseball team in front of the Gorman Pharmacy (their sponsor). Please join us in commending these young men for their hard work and efforts.

Directly following these awards all interested community members will meet at the community center for the annual Gorman Baseball Park Assc. meeting. The agenda will include an election for vacancies on the Board of Directors. Feel free to contact any of the following board members if you have questions. Darrin Clark, Becky Swanner, Angela Underwood, Bill Underwood, Tiffany Childers, Amy Johnston, Peyton Vaughn, Noah Landa, and Traci Keith.

If you are interested in being a part of next year's Commission, please plan to attend.

Panthers To Open Season With Hermleigh Friday

The Gorman Panthers open their season on Friday night at 7:30 p.m. when they travel to Hermleigh to take on a strongly rated Class A team.

The Panthers had a scrimmage with Eden on August 14th and got in some very good work with the Eden Bulldogs at Brogdon Field. The second scrimmage was called off due to weather.

Coach Coby Tyson is looking forward to this season and expects a better opportunity with 25 players. The Panthers had 14 players last season and lost a couple of them with injuries.

The returning probable starters will be Gil Cochrane, 6-0, 160 Lb. Senior - OT-LB; Ryan Wright, 5-6, 115 LB., Senior, QB-FS; Clint Jones, 6-0, 180, Senior - OT-DE; Zachary Bryan, 5-9, 185, Junior, OG-DT; J. T. Whitfill, 5-9, 250, Senior - OG-DT; and Reggie Sanchez, 5-9, 130, Sophomore - RB-CB.

Top new players this season are John Torres, 5-5, 135, Freshman - RB-LB; Tony Perez, 5-7, 130, Freshman - RB-CB; Corey Clark, 5-10, 160, Freshman - QB-FS; Seth Cochrane, 6-0, 150 Freshman - C-LB; and Aaron Keith, 5-9, 150, Freshman - OG-DE.

The Panthers will be lacking in size, speed, depth at skill positions but have great heart, character and work ethics.

So let's all follow the Panthers to Hermleigh on Friday night and give them our full support.

Go Get 'Em Big Red!!!

Burn Ban Lifted

Eastland County Commissioners' Court, meeting in regular session, at 10:00 a.m. on Monday, August 23, 2004, after receiving information from other knowledgeable sources, voted to **remove** the OUTSIDE BURNING BAN in Eastland County **with the stipulation and request that anyone intending to plan and execute any type of outside burning, please contact their nearest fire department and notify them of the time and location of the outside burning activity. Please use extreme caution with any outside burning!**

In making this announcement, the Commissioners' Court expressed its appreciation to the various fire fighters, fire departments, and all other citizens of Eastland County who cooperated so diligently in helping to alleviate the emergency condition of dangerous wild fire.

PTO Organization Meeting

There will be an organizational/planning meeting of the PTO, Tuesday, August 31 in the High School Auditorium. The meeting will start at 6 p.m. and ALL parents and community members are encouraged to attend. Parents and teachers of Elementary, Jr. High and High School are invited to come and be a part of this group, your involvement is important to us.

Thank You

Thanks to the Desdemona and Gorman Fire Departments and other good people who helped put out the fire in my pasture Tuesday afternoon. Without their quick response, my entire pasture would have burned.

This is a reminder of how much we need to support our fire departments because they are always there to help us.

s/Mildred Million
Desdemona

42 Tournament

Anyone wanting to participate in the Peanut Festival 42 Tournament on Saturday, September 11th, call James Tucker at 893-4353.

Messengers Release New Album in Late August

After months of studio work, the new Messengers recording, entitled *Under the Blood*, will soon be ready for release. The Messengers' *Children of Light* CD was picked by a major record label for international release, promotion and distribution through outlets such as Dayspring, Amazon.com, Target, Waldenbooks, and many others. To date, three singles ("My God Is A Comfort," "Point of View," and "My Saviour Paid It All") have been released to radio and are currently receiving air play across the U.S. and Canada. "My Saviour Paid It All" is at number 6 on the overall European Christian top 100 Survey and at number 4 on the European Christian Country Gospel chart. In addition, *Children of Light* was nominated for a Dove Award in this year's category for best Christian Album. Also this past year, The Messengers performed at a showcase during the National Quartet Convention in Louisville, KY, were featured in SGN Scoops Magazine, The Singing News, U.S. Gospel News and Power Source Magazine, and performed a 90 minute live television concert via the "Prime Time Christian Broadcasting Network." All this has occurred as each Messenger has continued to work every day at our full time jobs and businesses.

THE MESSENGERS: Tommy Clark, Glen Clement, Jeff Seaton and Jeff Clark.

Why Relay?

The power of Relay is that it allows a community to grieve for those lost to cancer and to celebrate the lives of those who have survived.For the newly diagnosed,

Relay offers a chance to meet someone who has survived the same type of cancer. For the cancer patient in treatment, Relay provides an opportunity to share with others. For the long-term survivor, Relay brings a community's recognition of the struggle and closure to a trying time in life.

Caregivers also find hope in Relay For Life.These individuals give their time,love and support to friends, family and neighbors who face cancer.At Relay,everyone understands the challenges and joy of being a caregiver.There is a peace of mind knowing that together we can face the challenges ahead.

Relay For Life for Eastland County will be April 29th,2005. If you are interested in getting involved contact Valerie Hampton 254-734-2174 or e-mail pilsey51@yahoo.com

Cancer Information is available 24 hours a day,7 days a week by calling 1-800-ACS-2345 or visiting http://www.cancer.org

USDA Rural Development Announces Funding for Comanche County Consolidated Hospital District

USDA Rural Development, State Director, Bryan Daniel, announced today that the Comanche CountyConsolidated Hospital District, received a $16,260 community facilities grant. USDA Rural Development is charged with assisting rural communities by administering programs targeted to strengthening the economy and infrastructure of rural areas.

"USDA Rural Development's Community Facilities program helps rural communities keep pace with the needs of their rising populations," said Daniel. "Rural residents can utilize our programs to help provide essential public services that will enhance the quality of life for all rural residents."

The funds will be used to purchase two pieces of surgical equipment. Users served by the project is approximately 16,916.

In Fiscal Year 2003, a total of $15.2 million in direct and guaranteed loans were obligated. Community Facilities loan funds may be used to construct, enlarge, or improve community facilities for health care, public safety, and public services. These loans and grants are made to public entities and non-profit organizations. Examples of eligible projects include rural healthcare clinics, town halls, fire trucks, county safety equipment, jaws of life, early warning systems, community centers, libraries, day care centers, and schools.

For more information regarding USDA Rural Development programs, contact the Brownwood Local Office at 325-643-1585, Ext. 4.

ITEMS OF INTEREST

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. Bob Wilkerson, Master — Pat Moseley, Secretary.

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

LIBRARY — Charlie Garrett Memorial Library will be open Monday thru Friday from 3 to 5 p.m.

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

4-H - Meets Second Monday of each month at 6:00 p.m. at the First United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall.

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

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

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 Aline Garrett, P O Box 711, Gorman, Texas 76454, or American State Bank, Gorman, Texas 76454.

SANDRA CAGLE WILL BE IN GORMAN THE **THIRD WEDNESDAY** OF EACH MONTH AT THE CITY OFFICE TO **RENEW AUTO LICENSE PLATES**. HER NEXT VISIT - **AUGUST 18TH FROM 9 - 12 NOON**.

Peanut Festival - Saturday, September 11 GHS HomecomingSaturday, September 11

Craig Reunion

The eleven children of the late William S (Billy) Craig and Ruth Wilhite Craig met August 14, 2004 for their family reunion. Those attending were J. T. Craig and his son Joe Jr. from Phoenix, Bill Craig and his wife Ruby from Comanche, their daughter Sandy and husband Mike Stepken, Sandy's son Jeremy Boucher and his wife Tana, their two children, son William and daughter Tristan from Stephenville. Bill and Ruby's great granddaughter, Kimberly Strickland and a granddaughter Macy Craig also from Comanche. Gerry Zummer from Carbon, Gerry's daughter, Jana Holland and her daughter Kristi Holland from Arlington, A granddaughter Shauna Turner and great granddaughter, Paige also from Arlington. Maxine Lawless and daughter Rhonda. Maxine's granddaughters Stephanie Grumbles and Jessica Thompson and Jessica's son Colin from DeLeon. Jack Craig from Fort Worth, his son Louis and wife Sharraine and their sons Justin and Jackson from Burleson. Helen Johnson from Denver Colorado, Jim Craig and his wife Lou from Houston. Mary and Xavier Garza, Mary's daughters Sherry Firkus and son Adam, Theresa and Wayne Hook, and son Jordan, from Houston Vickie and Robert Barber, sons Shane and Justin from Austin. Mary's son Scot Hall from Houston. Doris Whitley from Granbury. Dick and Vera Love from Phoenix and Doug Craig from Desdemona.

Everyone looks forward to this reunion each year. It is held in conjunction with the Desdemona reunion, so there is always visiting with many old friends. Until next year——

Jury Convicts Thief

Rebecca May Swiney was convicted of Theft, $50.00 or More But Less Than $500.00 last week by a jury sitting in the Eastland County Court. Swiney, 32, was charged along with another female for the theft of two cowboy hats from a local business.

Officers from the Eastland Police Department and Eastland County Sheriff's Office conducted the investigation which lead to the conviction of Swiney.

Swiney was sentenced by Judge Brad Stephenson to thirty days confinement in the Eastland County Jail along with a $250 fine. Because Swiney had not been previously convicted of a felony, her sentence was probated for a period of one year. As a condition of probation, Swiney will be required to submit to incarceration in the Eastland County Jail for a period of ten consecutive days. Local attorney Gary D. Peak represented Sweeny against prosecuting attorney Brenda Seale Gray.

GORMAN PEANUT FESTIVAL PARADE ENTRY FORM

Gorman Peanut Festival Parade Committee
Julie Clark: Chairman
P O Box 607
Gorman, TX. 76454
Parade date: September 11, 2004

In this years parade, we will be honoring the men and women who risk their lives working for the Fire and Rescue, EMT's, Police Departments, and anyone else that might be associated with these organizations. They will be placed at the front of our parade in remembrance of 9-11. We would like to extend an invitation to anyone in the surrounding area who is associated with the above to be honored as well.

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

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

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

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

_____ _____
Signature Date

Class of '89 Reunion

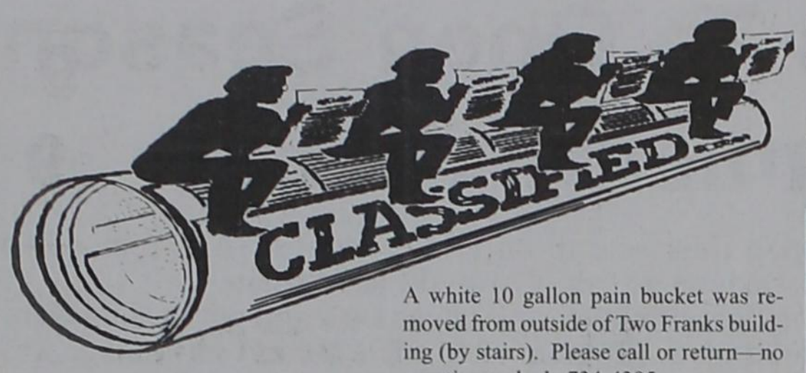
Yep, it's hard to believe that only 15 "short" years ago, we graduated from the good 'ole G.H.S.!! Now it's time to reunite with fellow classmates and friends, so please join us, as we gather to mingle, munch, and make memories!

The reunion will be at Mark and Jeanette Simmons residence at 715 N. Ector, in Gorman.

We will be having two separate gatherings—Saturday, September 4, 2004 at 12:00 noon for brisket, drinks, swimming, games—bring the kids!) Then that evening, Saturday, September 4, 2004, at 6:30 p.m. we will meet at Z.J.'s for supper, then return to Simmons residence.

R.S.V.P. by Aug. 27th to Jeanette @ 254-734-3982. We will need donations of $5.00 per adult plate and $2.50 per child plate for the brisket lunch. Hope to see you there!

If any one knows how to contact Clint Foster, please let him know. Anyone outside the Class of 1989 is invited to join us too.



A white 10 gallon pain bucket was removed from outside of Two Franks building (by stairs). Please call or return—no questions asked. 734-4305.
1-8-26-C

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1-8-19-C.

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37 A. N/W of De Leon, good sandy land, app. 5A coastal, stock pond, 3 water wells, pavement access, great building spot. $1,250 per A.
47.65 A. 4 miles west of Gorman, 25A coastal, 20 A. cultivated, 2 ponds, barn / pens, good dear area, $1,050 acre.
50 A. Gorman on FM 2921: 15A coastal, 3A wooded, 25A native. Water well, make good cattle place, lg oaks - homesites. $1600 acre.
NEW: 105 A., Comanche Co., near De Leon, 30 A. Coastal, 52 A. cultivated, 23 A. pasture, 3 stock ponds, 2 wells (previously used for irrigation), steel corrals, electricity, paved @ CR frontage, deer/wildlife in area, combintion stocker/wildlife property. $1,900 per acre
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Public Hearing Notice
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Date of Publication: ***August 26, 2004***
City of Gorman City Commission will hold a public hearing at 5:15 p.m. on September 2, 2004 at *Gorman City Office'* in regard to the submission of an application (or applications) to the Office of Rural Community Affairs for Texas Community Development Program funds. The purpose of this meeting is to allow citizens an opportunity to discuss the citizen participation plan, the development of local housing and community development needs, the amount of TCDP funding available, all eligible TCDP activities, and the use of past TCDP funds. All citizens are encouraged to participate in the development of this application (or applications) to make their views known at this public hearing. Citizens unable to attend this meeting may submit their views and proposals to *City Office / Gorman* during regular office hours. Persons with disabilities that wish to attend this meeting should contact *Tacy or Debra - 734-2317* to arrange for assistance. Individuals who require auxiliary aids or services for this meeting should contact *Tacy or Debra* at least two days before the meeting so that appropriate arrangements can be made.

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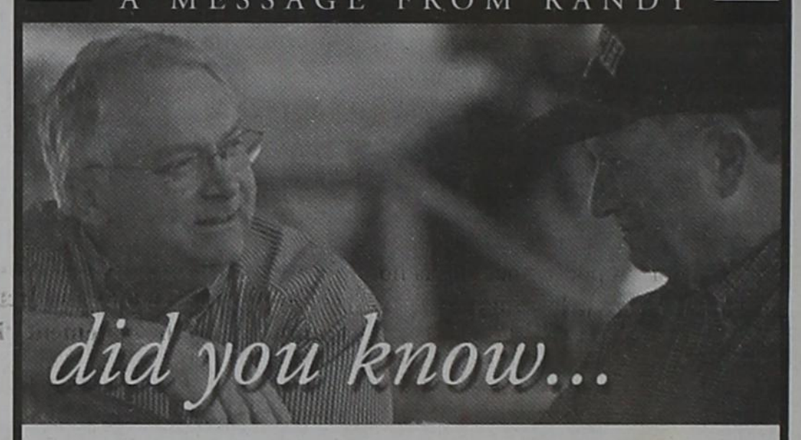
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AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF GORMAN, TEXAS, LEVYING TAXES FOR FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING **OCTOBER 1, 2004** AND ENDING **SEPTEMBER 30, 2005:** PROVIDING DISCOUNTS FOR ADVANCE PAYMENT OF AD VALOREM TAXES; PROVIDING PENALTY AND INTEREST FOR DELINQUENT TAXES; PROVIDING FOR THE COLLECTION OF DELINQUENT TAXES; AND DECLARING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.
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PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE OF RECEIPT OF APPLICATION AND INTENT TO OBTAIN AIR PERMIT
PROPOSED AIR QUALITY PERMIT NOS.
72864 AND 72865

APPLICATION Gorman Milling Co., Inc., has applied to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) for issuance of Air Quality Permit Nos. 72864 and 72865 which would authorize continued operation of the two existing Feed Mills located at 323 East Hall Street and 114 North Briscoe Street in Gorman, Eastland County, Texas. The East Hall Street facility will emit the following air contaminant: particulate matter. The North Briscoe Street facility will emit the following air contaminants: organic compounds, nitrogen oxides, sulfur dioxide, carbon monoxide and particulate matter.

These applications were submitted to the TCEQ on July 30, 2004. The applications are available for viewing and copying at the TCEQ central office, the TCEQ Abilene regional office, and the Gorman City Hall, 116 South Kent Street, Gorman, Eastland County, Texas. The facility's compliance file, if any exists, is available for public review in the Abilene regional office of the TCEQ.

The TCEQ executive director has determined the applications are administratively complete and will conduct a technical review of the applications.

PUBLIC COMMENT/PUBLIC MEETING You may submit public comments, a request for a public meeting, or request a contested case hearing to the Office of the Chief Clerk at the address below. The TCEQ will consider all public comments in developing a final decision on the application. **The deadline to submit public comments is 30 days after newspaper notice is published.**

The purpose of a public meeting is to provide the opportunity to submit comments or ask questions about the application. A public meeting about the application may be held if the executive director determines that there is a significant degree of public interest in the application or if requested by a local legislator. A public meeting is not a contested case hearing.

If only comments are received on the application, the response to comments, along with notice of the executive director's action on the application, will be mailed to everyone who submitted comments or is on the mailing list for this application.

If a hearing request is timely filed, the executive director will complete the technical review, issue a preliminary decision on the application, and a Notice of Application and Preliminary Decision will be published and mailed to those who are on the mailing list for this application. That notice will contain the final deadline for submitting public comments.

After the final deadline for public comments following any required Notice of Application and Preliminary Decision, the executive director will consider the comments and prepare a response to all relevant and material, or significant public comments. If comments are received, the response to comments, along with the executive director's decision on the application, will then be mailed to everyone who submitted public comments or is on a mailing list for this application.

OPPORTUNITY FOR A CONTESTED CASE HEARING You may request case hearing. A contested case hearing is a legal proceeding similar to a civil trial in state district court. Unless a written request for a contested case hearing is filed within 30 days from this notice, the executive director may approve the application. **If no hearing request is received within this 30-day period, no further opportunity for hearing will be provided.** A contested case hearing will only be granted based on disputed issues of fact and that are relevant and material to the Commission's decision on the application. Further, the Commission will only grant a hearing on those issues raised during the public comment period and not withdrawn.

A person who may be affected by emissions of air contaminants from the facility is entitled to request a hearing. If requesting a contested case hearing, you must submit the following: (1) your name (or for a group or association, an official representative), mailing address, daytime phone number, and fax number, if any; (2) applicant's name and permit number; (3) the statement "I/we request a contested case hearing; (4) a specific description of how you would be adversely affected by the application and air emissions from the facility in a way not common to the general public; (5) the location and distance of you property relative to the facility; and (6) a description of how you use the property which may be impacted by the facility. If the request is made by a group or an association, the one or more members who have standing to request a hearing, and the interests which the group or association seeks to protect, must also be identified. You may also submit your proposed adjustments to the application/permit which would satisfy your concerns. Requests for a contested case hearing must be submitted in writing within 30 days following this notice to the Office of the Chief Clerk, a the address below.

If a hearing request is timely filed, additional notice may be provided. Following the close of all applicable comment and request periods, the executive director will forward the application and any requests for contested case hearing to the TCEQ Commissioners for their consideration at a scheduled Commission meeting. If a hearing is granted, the subject of a hearing will be limited to disputed issues of fact relating to relevant and material air quality concerns raised during the comment period. Issues such as property values, noise, traffic safety, and zoning are outside the Commission's jurisdiction to address in this proceeding.

MAILING LIST In addition to submitting public comments, you may ask to be placed on a mailing list to receive future public notices for this specific application mailed by the Office of the Chief Clerk by sending a written request to the TCEQ Office of the Chief Clerk at the address below.

INFORMATION Written public comments or requests for a public meeting or contested case hearing should be submitted to the Office of the Chief Clerk, MC-105, TCEQ, P. O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087. For more information about this permit application or the permitting process, please call the Office of Public Assistance, Toll Free, at 1-800-687-4040. General information regarding the TCEQ can be found at www.tceq.state.tx.us.

Further information may also be obtained from Gorman Milling Co., Inc., P. O. Box 276, Gorman, Texas 76454 or by calling Mr. Kelley Green, P. E., Director of Technical Services, Texas Cotton Ginners' Association at (512) 476-8388.

Issuance Date: August 10, 2004

Notice of Public Hearing On Tax Increase

The City of Gorman will hold a public hearing on a proposal to increase total tax revenues from properties on the tax roll in the preceding year by 5 percent. Your individual taxes may increase at a greater or lesser rate, or even decrease, depending on the change in the taxable value of your property in relation to the change in taxable value of all other property and the tax rate that is adopted.

The public hearing will be held on September 2, 2004 at 5:00 p.m.

FOR the proposal: ALL - Commissions: Nathan Files, Joe Casey, Charlie Torrez and Durwood Webb

AGAINST the proposal: None

PRESENT and not voting:

ABSENT:

The following table compares taxes on an average home in this taxing unit last year to taxes proposed on the average home this year. Again, your individual taxes may be higher or lower, depending on the taxable value of your property.

	Last Year	This Year
Average residence homestead value	$21,263	$22,326
General exemptions available (amount available on the average homestead, not including senior citizen's or disabled person's exemptions)	- 0 -	- 0 -
Average taxable value	$21,263	$ 22,326
Tax rate	.62336	.72039
Tax	$132.54	$160.83

Under this proposal, taxes on the average homestead would increase by $28.29 or 21 percent compared with last year's taxes. Comparing tax rates without adjusting for changes in property value, the tax rate would increase by $.097 per $100 of taxable value or 15.56 percent compared to last year's tax rate. These tax rate figures are not adjusted for changes in the taxable value of property.

2004 Goober Gourmet Cook-Off Gorman Peanut Festival September 11, 2004

The Goober Gourmet Cook-Off gives contestants of all ages an opportunity to create gourmet delights with the always versatile peanut. To enter the cook-off, please bring entries to the Senior Citizen Building (downtown next to the City Hall) on Saturday, September 11 from 8:30 a.m. to 9:45 a.m. Judging will begin after the parade at approximately 10:45 a.m. Results will be available by 1:00 p.m. **All entries** will be displayed with the name of the person entering the item, the recipe, and awards given until 3:00 p.m.

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

There will be **four age groups**: Pre-K through 2nd Grade, 3rd Grade through 8th Grade, High School, and Adults.

All recipes must include peanuts or peanut products.

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

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

Entries should be presented on a disposable plate and covered with clear plastic (may be clear plastic wrap or clear plastic cake dome).
Entries must be made by the contestant entering the item.

Judges' decisions are final.

The Gorman Goober Cook-Off, Peanut Festival, and volunteers in either group are not responsible for entries left after pickup time at 3 o'clock.

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

DESDEMONA NEWS

BY
VONNIE GUTHERY

Dorothy Roberts spent Sunday through Wednesday in Fort Worth visiting with her daughter, Ulenda Weaver and family.

Several in our area are on the sick list. James Ryon was transferred to a Fort Worth hospital. He is slowly recovering from recent surgery. Delores Tucker recently spent a few days in a Fort Worth hospital recovering from pneumonia. Winford Lindley was able to attend the Homecoming on the 14th. Pug Guthery is doing better since his recent lung surgery. Bernard and Ann Keith were sick several days last week with a stomach virus. Remember theses with your cards and prayers.

"Happy Birthday" to our daughter, Karen Eaves, on Monday, August 30th, from Pug and Vonnie Guthery.

This reporter received a surprise phone call last Sunday eve from Cristell Joiner Scott in Big Springs. Cristell and her sister, Vernell Joiner Miears of Blanket, attended the Desdemona Homecoming and School Reunion. They enjoyed visiting with former classmates and friends. Cristell graduated with the Class of 1948 and Vernell with the Class of 1940. Their sisters, Charlotte Parker with the Class of 1938 and Evelyn Abel with the Class of 1943. They always enjoy coming back "home" to visit.

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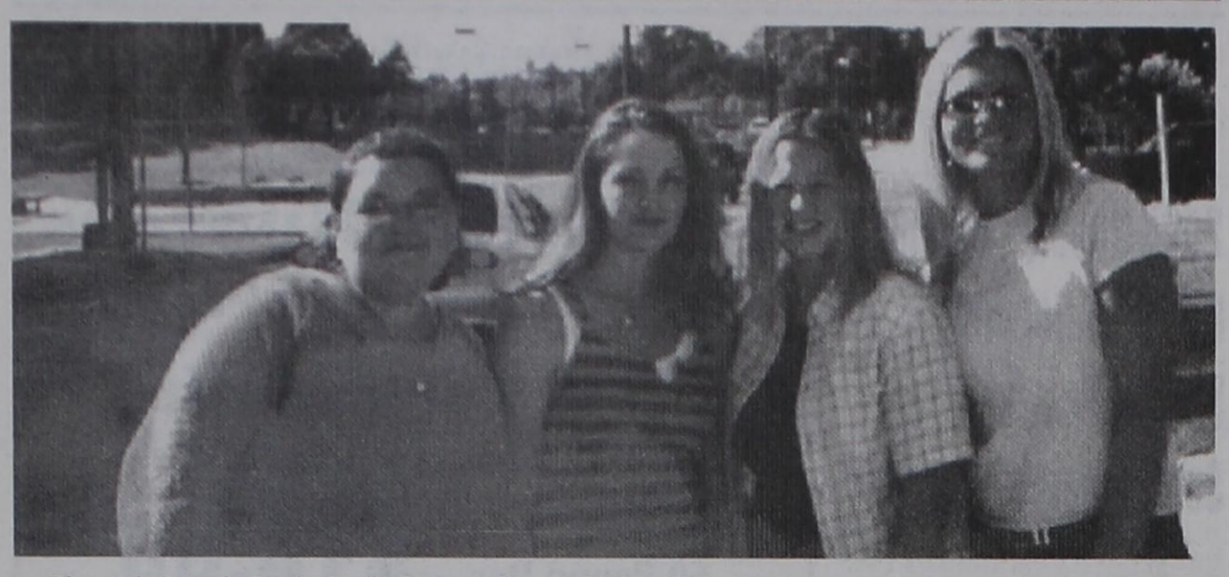
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Pictured: Marcie Davis, Lydia Royster, Kendra Bailey, Kalyn Porter

These four girls are all smiles. They are enrolled and anticipating their first day of classes at Tarleton State University. Marcie wants to major in Education, Lydia in Pre-Med, Kendra in Pre-Dental and Kalyn is pursuing a career in Physical Therapy. Marcie, Lydia, and Kalyn graduated from Gorman High School in May, 2004. Kendra is still enrolled in GHS as a senior. Mr. Ronny Wright, Gorman High School Principal, declared Kendra an Outstanding High School Student therefore allowing her to participate in the dual-credit program. She will be receiving college credits via GHS and Tarleton. Marcie is the daughter of Mary Davis. Lydia is the daughter of Abel and Sally Saldana, Willie Royster and Becky Godwin. Kendra is the daughter of Abel and Sally Saldana and Kip Bailey. Tim and Lynn Porter are the parents of Kalyn.

These four girls have shared a friendship since Junior High. We wish them luck and success on the next leg of their journey together.

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1st Annual Shin Oak Springs BBQ Cook-Off

Saturday, September 11, 2004

Official Start Time - 5:00p.m. Friday!
Downtown Gorman, Texas
In Conjunction with the Gorman Peanut Festival
Chairman: Janet Sanders



LONE STAR BARBECUE SOCIETY SANCTIONED EVENT

BEEF BRISKET ~ 1/2 CHICKEN ~ PORK SPARE RIBS

CASH PRIZES, TROPHIES, & PRIZES
1ST THROUGH 3RD PLACE PLAQUES IN ALL MEAT CATEGORIES!!
PLAQUES GIVEN TO GRAND CHAMPION, BEST/MOST UNIQUE PIT,
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Turn In Times: Will be announced at cook's meeting on Saturday @ 9:00 a.m.
Entry Fee: $50.00 for ONE or ALL meat categories
JACKPOT BEANS: $10.00 Entry Fee - 1st, 2nd, & 3rd Place Plaques
Jackpot Beans have an 80% payback!!

RULES & REGULATIONS

1. You do not have to be a member of the LONE STAR BARBECUE SOCIETY to enter this Cook-off.
2. Contestants must check in at Cook-Off Headquarters. OFFICIAL START TIME IS 5P.M. FRIDAY!
3. Contestant must furnish meat, pit, wood, sauce, etc. ONLY BEANS MAY BE COOKED ON GAS GRILL.
4. ALL meat and beans subject to inspection. NO PRE-COOKED OR PRE-SEASONED MEAT. NO DUG PITS.
5. Contest meats are not to be sampled by the general public or judges prior to judging.
6. ALL ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES MUST BE CONFINED TO THE COOK-OFF AREA. The Chief Cook will be responsible for the cleanliness of their area & for the conduct of the team. Misconduct or violations of rules will disqualify team.
7. ELECTRICAL HOOKUPS $10.00 (LIMIT ONE) - First come, First served! Total 8 electrical hook-ups available!
8. RAIN OR SHINE - NO REFUNDS **2 PARKING PERMITS PER ENTRY**

Mail to: Shin Oak Springs BBQ Cook-Off, P.O. Box 321, Gorman, Texas 76454
Phone: Monday - Friday (8am - 5pm) Day Phone 254-734-2202 Nights & Weekends 254-893-3581
Fax: 254-734-2220 E-Mail: dna@cctc.net

2004 PRE - REGISTRATION FORM

TEAM_____

CHIEF COOK_____

ASSISTANTS_____

MAILING ADDRESS_____

CITY_____STATE_____ZIP CODE_____

PHONE_____

$50.00 FOR ONE OR ALL MEATS: _____BEEF BRISKET_____1/2 CHICKEN_____PORK SPARE RIBS

_____$10.00 FOR JACKPOT BEANS TOTAL ENTRY FEE:_____

_____$10.00 ELECTRICAL HOOK-UP Paid By:_____Check_____Cash

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

Signed:_____Date:_____

Gorman Peanut Festival Booth Guidelines

(254) 734-2202 OR 734-2720

All booth spaces will be assigned by the Committee. Any changes of space or transfer of space must be approved. All booth spaces are to be 12' by 12'. If you need more space, please rent additional spaces. All determination of categories will be at the discretion of the Committee. Spaces are outside-rain or shine. You must provide your own tables, chairs, tents, etc.

Due to our first Peanut Festival Shin Oak Springs Bar-B-Que Cook Off being held in the park, some booths may be set up on the side walks. Also, we cannot guarantee that you may have the same spot as in the past.

Food: $15.00 fee for ready to eat food (hamburgers, hot dogs, fires, etc.) There will be no two booths selling the same type of food. Any booth with an open flame must have a fire extinguisher at their booth.

Games: $5.00 fee (ring toss, dart throw, cake walk, etc.). There will be not two game booths alike.

Crafts: $5.00 fee for handmade crafts, wood work, candles, etc. Things that you have made. There is no limited to the number of booths selling the same type of crafts. No commercial type item will be sold in craft booths.

Commercial Display Only: $5.00 fee. These booths will be available to companies to advertise products or have public service type activities. There will be direct selling allowed.

Commercial: $15.00 fee. These booths will be open to any commercial enterprise selling a manufactured product. (Toys, tee-shirts, etc.) or a service. There is no limit on booths selling like items. Please not items that give off an offensive odor.

Electricity: $5.00 fee. It is the concessionaires responsibility to get the electricity to their booth from the meter with an approved extension cord or wiring.

You may set your booth up on Friday afternoon or Saturday morning before 9:00 a.m. All vehicles must be out of the booth area by 9:00 a.m.

APPLICATION FOR BOOTH SPACE

Person/organization requesting booth space:_____

Phone:_____

Address_____

_____

Type of Booth:_____

Electricity: Yes No

For more information call 254-734-2202 or 734-2720

2004 PANTHER FOOTBALL VARSITY

DATE	OPPONENT	SITE	TIME
AUG 14TH	EDEN (SCRIMMAGE)	GORMAN	TBA
AUG 20TH	DALLAS LIFE (SCRIM)	GORMAN	TBA
AUG 27TH	HERMLEIGH	HERMLEIGH	7:30
SEPT 3RD	SANTO	SANTO	7:30
SEPT 10TH	**COVINGTON	GORMAN	7:30
SEPT 17TH	PERRIN-WHITT	GORMAN	7:30
SEPT 24TH	OPEN		
OCT 1ST	DELEON	GORMAN	7:30
OCT 8TH	*EVANT	EVANT	7:30
OCT 15TH	*CROSS PLAINS	CROSS PLAINS	7:30
OCT 22ND	*BAIRD	GORMAN	7:30
OCT 29TH	*RANGER	RANGER	7:30
NOV 5TH	*GOLDTHWAITE	GORMAN	7:30

JUNIOR HIGH

DATE	OPPONENT	SITE	TIME
SEPT 2ND	SANTO	GORMAN	6:00
SEPT 9TH	COVINGTON	COVINGTON	6:00
SEPT 16TH	PERRIN-WHITT	PERRIN	5:00
SEPT 23RD	OPEN		
SEPT 30TH	DELEON	DELEON	6:00
OCT 7TH	*EVANT	GORMAN	6:00
OCT 14TH	*CROSS PLAINS	GORMAN	6:00
OCT 21ST	*BAIRD	BAIRD	6:00
OCT 28TH	*RANGER	GORMAN	6:00
NOV 4TH	*GOLDTHWAITE	GOLDTHWAITE	5:00

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Miss Gorman Sandra Lara and Little Miss Gorman Katalina Landa attended the Brownwood Rodeo parade on July 31st. They placed 3rd in the out-of-town floats. Over 20 floats were entered. Congratulations!!

Class of 1954 - 50th Reunion

The Class of 1954 will be celebrating their 50th year reunion with a fun and fellowship time at ZJ's Steakhouse in Gorman on Saturday, September 11, at 6:30 p.m. The celebration will begin with a buffet dinner. If you are, or if you have been a member of this class, your presence is needed to make this celebration a very special time. Spouses, friends, and ex-students of classes other than 1954 are welcome to be a part of this festive occasion.



1954 Seniors as Freshmen

Bottom Row, L-R: Floydene Gilbert, Doris Cate, Antha Warren, Gaynell Thomas, Twila Kent, Betty Coffman; Row 2: Mrs. Mack Underwood-Sponsor, Joy Marshall, Leta Dell Ayers, Frances Robertson, Thelma Lou McFatter, Margaret Joiner, Barbara Bennett, Lou Evelyn Lasater, Wanda Hart; Row 3: Christine Luke, Mary Sue Craig, Dorinda Logan, Melba Brown, Mary Evelyn Laminack, Joyce Graham, Peggy West, Partricia Morrison, Barbara Dickey, Lillian Beard; Row 4: Neal Gilbert, Robert Rankin, Billy Grisham, E.J. Grisham, Ronald Jackson, Manning Fairbetter, Donald Joiner, Odell Gilmore, Clarence Carl, Donnie Mauney; Row 5: Brawner Lee Files, Jimmy Don Dorsett, Jan Acrea, G.W. Wood, Richard Dennis, G.L. Whitley, Bob Love, LaDoyt Maupin, James Butler

Teen Challenge



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Gorman New Hope Baptist Church - 8-29-04 - 10:00 A.M. 5 Miles West on CR 321

Gorman First Fruits Christian Fellowship - 8-29-04 - 2:00 P.M. By Football Field in Gorman

Teen Challenge began in 1958 as a ministry to teenage gangs and was started by David Wilkerson in New York City. Since that time it has spread all over the world.

Teen Challenge of West Texas began in 1971 when the film, "The Cross and the Switchblade," came to Odessa. Christian, godly, men who had a desire to reach people moved a trailer to the back of the theater. After each showing, there was an invitation given which resulted in men and boys coming tot he trailer for salvation and prayer. As more and more people came to the trailer, there was the realization of a need that had to be fulfilled. This became the embryonic stage of the ministry of Teen Challenge of West Texas.

As a result of this outreach, there was a desire to minister to those with life controlling problems and disciple them. The Cowden Foundation furnished a house at 201 N. "C" Street in Midland in order to accomplish this purpose. This house became the intervention phase of Teen Challenge and held 12 students. Since that time, in 1984, an outreach was started by the same group of men in El Paso that became known later as El Paso Challenge. Also, in 1984, another man was touched by the program and donated 70 acres for a campus 5 miles south of Midland. In 1986, there was another couple who was impressed to furnish a facility in order to house, feed, and educate the students. With a new home out of the city, the house on "C" Street became the Re-Entry Home and housed those students ready to re-enter into society as productive citizens.

Since 1986, Teen Challenge has expanded to include the dormitory and cafeteria, the Mabee Shop, Office Learning Center, Chapel, Carpenter Shop, and RV Cottage and Pad. There are also 8 staff houses on the South Campus and 1 in town. Development currently has begun in order to build 8 new staff duplexes that will accommodate the growing student population which numbers around 62 men.

Our purpose it to evangelize people who have life controlling problems and initiate the Christian discipleship training to the point where the individual can function as a Christian in society, applying spiritually motivated, Biblical principles to relationships in the family, local church, chosen vocation and community.

A.O. Easley Trucks Wins Platinum Safety Award



Shown in picture is Rhett Harrison displaying the Platinum Safety Award. This is the second safety award received by A.O. Easley Trucks in the past two years. Last year A.O. Easley Trucks was presented the Gold award. This year they managed to improve themselves by receiving the coveted Platinum award. These safety awards are determined by accident involvement vs. millions of miles traveled. Great West Casualty sponsors the awards program, and they are one of the foremost insurance providers in the industry.

Great West has a reputation of only insuring the best and it is a privilege to be associated with their program. Trucking and its supporting industries are devoting considerable efforts to enhance a safer environment for our public roads. This is no small task considering the amount of exposure to potential accidents a driver and equipment encounter on a daily basis. There exists ever-increasing congestion of our public highway systems both in urban and rural areas. Hazardous road conditions are as prevalent today as a decade ago, and maintaining a safe trucking company is not as simple as one might think. One of the most challenging issues is committing to a financial investment in safety, while participating in a high competitive transportation market overrun with increasing costs.

The last several years, A.O. Easley Trucks has been dedicated to improving its safety performance. Management has taken a strong position on this issue. This company has made substantial progress in updating to newer and safer equipment. They have imposed more stringent maintenance schedules for their equipment. Hiring practices are focused towards only safety conscious employees subjected to proper training, and they continue to promote routine safety awareness on a regular basis. Thanks to the many efforts of the good people associated with A.O. Easley Trucks, they are making a difference.

USDA Rural Development Announces Funding For Upper Leon Municipal Water District

COMANCHE, TEXAS, August 13, 2004 - USDA Rural Development, State Director, Bryan Daniel, announced today that the Upper Leon Municipal Water District, received a $4,308,000 Water and Waste Disposal loan and grant through the agency's Community Programs Water and Waste Disposal Loan fund. The effort is part of the USDA's national program to help provide rural areas with safe, dependable water and modern sewage systems.

"One of the goals of USDA Rural Development is to provide water and wastewater treatment programs that target public health benefits and provide economic opportunities to America's rural communities," said Daniel. "Rural residents can utilize our programs to help provide essential public services that will enhance their quality of life."

The loan funds for the Upper Leon Municipal Water District will be used to improve the raw and water transmission system in constructing a raw water intake line from the lakeside of Proctor Dam. This portion of the project will reduce the amount of annual water loss approximately 25%. Approximately 11,412 users will be served by this project.

In Fiscal Year 2003, $64.4 million of loan and grant assistance was infused into 71 projects and assisted 137,451 rural Texans. USDA Rural Development's water and wastewater program is designed to bring fresh, clean drinking water and sanitary, environmentally sound sewage facilities to rural America's 53 million residents. Loans and grants are available to rural communities with fewer than 10,000 residents. Public bodies, corporations operated on a nonprofit basis, and Indian tribes, that are unable to obtain credit from other sources at reasonable rates and terms, are eligible for assistance.

For more information regarding USDA Rural Development programs, contact the Brownwood Local Office at (325) 643-1585 ext. 4.

USDA Rural Development is an Equal Opportunity Lender, Provider, and Employer. Complaints of discrimination should be sent to: USDA, Director, Office of Civil Rights, Washington, D.C. 20250-9410.

USDA Rural Development was created in 1994 and includes Business Programs, Housing Programs, and Utilities Programs. Its mission is to use the resources of USDA to provide an improved quality of life for the nation's rural residents.

For more information on USDA Rural Development programs in Texas, check our web site at http://www.rurdev.usda.gov/tx

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Since 1986, Dr. Robert Matthews has been Board Certified in Family Practice and in practice at the B & W Clinic. His practice includes Obstetrics and Pediatrics. He graduated from the University of Galveston Medical School in 1983. Dr. Matthews is a member of the Texas & American Association of Family Practice. He is married and has three children. His hobbies include Bible Study, family time, running marathons, and going to the lake.



Dr. Cox just recently started his practice at the B & W Clinic. He is a 2001 graduate of Texas Tech University School of Medicine. Dr. Cox will be a Family Practitioner, which will include Obstetrics and Pediatrics. He served in the United States Air Force as a Medical Service Specialist. Dr. Cox volunteered to be a big brother in the Big Brothers/Big Sisters organization. Dr. Cox is married and has two daughters. His hobbies include hiking, hunting, camping, reading and tennis.

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Heritage Manor News

By Nancy Hendricks

Some visitors were Bobby and Peggy Ingram, Bill Moll, and Maudie Husband of Cisco, Mary Ann Alexander of Brownwood, Lee and Sue Pettigrew of Desdemona, Diana Snider, Larry and DeLinda Snider.

On Sunday morning, those coming from the First Baptist Church for Sunday School were Tootie Campbell, Vicki Seay, Winston Brown, James, Ellen, and Rachel Tucker. James taught the lesson, "Act Right." "Life's Question—How Should I Act As A Christian?" Biblical passage 1 Peter 1:1-16, 1 Peter 2:1-12. Key verse 1 Peter 1:15. A resident led the opening prayer and another resident gave the closing prayer. There were thirty residents present. Howard and Pat Hagood were guests.

Some guests were Bonnie Croft of Lake Leon, Tisha and Daniel Grice of Stephenville, Max and Janice Grice of Brownfield, Irene West and Anna Rush.

Residents sent "Get Well" wishes to Richard Watson.

Recent visitors were Mary Lightfoot Brewer of Waco, Jewel Dean Morris and Bonnie D. Stewart of DeLeon, Annie Fay Foster, Martha Overstreet, Pamela Childers, Lonnie and Edith Grumbles and Becky Smith of Cross Plains.

Residents sure were happy on Monday morning when Karen Guthery opened the beauty shop for hair dressing.

Some visitors were Thomas and Vicki Seay, James, Ellen, and Rachel Tucker.

Residents appreciated the good books that were donated.

Visiting were Sylvia Estes and "Bubba" of Carbon, James and Mary Jesse of Ft. Worth, Billy Joe and Betty Sue Dennis.

On Monday, those coming for the Gospel Singing were Marjorie Treadway, Ernestine Campbell, Ruby Lee Kinser, Zelda Jordan, Helen and Woodrow Browning, Ann Warren, Daisy Slaton, Billy Joe and Betty Sue Dennis, and Nancy Hendricks. Woodrow, Helen, Billy Joe and Ruby Lee brought the special music. Woodrow gave the closing prayer. Fourteen residents were present.

Some guests were Jerry Majors of DeLeon, Eric Ryon and Jaron Ryon of Desdemona, Derenda and Steve Minton, Lendon and Frankie Jo Shipman.

Monday morning those coming for bingo were Pat Graham, Judy Kilbrew, Jason Kilbrew and Ina Smith. There were nine residents attending. The prizes were delicious.

Some visitors were Don Daners of Springtown, Marjorie Treadway, Ernestine Campbell, Ann Warren and Zelda Jordan.

Tuesday morning Betty Duke of Desdemona came and played the electric keyboard and led singing. There were eleven residents present.

Recent guests were Jimmy and Verna Lee Little, Zelda Jordan, Nell Files of Carbon, Howard and Pat Hagood.

Residents send Lloyd Glasson "Get Well" wishes.

Visiting were John and Georgie Lee Hooper of Georgetown, Ima Brown, Ruthie Porter, Tim Porter and Daisy Slaton.

Tuesday afternoon, Ina Smith entertained residents with different games.

Some visitors were Harlees and Betty Logan and Lavelle Hallmark of Lake Leon, Winston Brown, Gearldene Wright, Karen Guthery.

On Wednesday morning, those coming from First Baptist Church for chapel were Rev. Bill and Tootie Campbell and Winston Brown. Bro. Bill's text was a message on "Praise and Thanksgiving." Bible passage was taken from Psalms 62. A resident led the opening prayer and another resident gave the benediction. There were twenty two residents present.

Recent guests were Bo and Anna Lee Roberts, Kennard and Doylena Roberts of Stephenville, Rodney and Vicki Roberts of Gustine, Levi Roberts, Shannon Roberts, Kendra Roberts, Shaylor Roberts, Dorothy Roberts.

Wednesday afternoon, Ina Smith, Judy Kilbrew and Jason Kilbrew had 'crazy bingo' for a large group of residents.

Some guests were Estelle Craddock, Mary Margaret Hudson, Kay Ann Craddock, Nancy Hendricks, Ruby Lee Kinser, Glen and Nancy Lawless of DeLeon.

It was fun to do all the exercises with Ina Smith on Thursday morning.

Visiting were Clyde and DeSha Johnson of Stephenville, Paul and Pat Johnson of Lubbock, Roy and Charlotte Johnson of Desdemona, Henry Lenz of Carbon, Bill and Tootie Campbell.

It was "Game Time" again on Thursday afternoon. It's always fun to have surprise game.

Some guests were W.C. and Winelle Browning, Woodrow and Helen Browning, Pam Hulse of Hobbs, NM, Amy, Donny, Stephen and Andrea Zuliaco of Monterey, Mexico, Brent Carey, Christi and Truitt of Amarillo, Jo Carey of Midlothian, Larry Stogsdill, Durward Webb, Johnny B. Griffith of Lake Leon.

Friday morning is always a happy time for residents as they look forward to 'bingo' with Pat Graham, Judy Kilbrew, Jason Kilbew and Ina Smith. Prizes are always great. There were nine residents present.

Kokomo News

By Zelda Jordan

We were blessed with more rain this past week. There were reports of over three inches to over five inches falling Wednesday night through Friday. And, the weather has been so much cooler than we normally have in August. I hope that we all remember to thank the good Lord for all our blessings.

"He Paid A Debt That He Didn't Owe" was so beautifully rendered by the choir at the Sunday morning service at the Kokomo Baptist Church. Those in the choir were: Aletha Burgess, Crystal Snider, Leona Wilson, Helen Browning, Jimmy Little, Joe Bond and Woodrow Browning with Glynda Bond at the piano.

Beverly and Bob Phariss of Haskell visited with Larry and Betty Strube on Thursday.

On Saturday night, Sheri and Brandon LaBonte came and got LaVon Snider to go eat and visit with them and Kelly Parham, Dwayne and Connie Snider, Franklin, Jeanne and Chloe Barker and Wendell and Terry Treadway.

Daisy Slaton and Zelda Jordan had dental appointments in Comanche on Monday and then visited with Daisy's aunt, Lona Lightfoot.

Nancy Hendricks had cataract surgery in Brownwood last week and has got good reports in her checkups. Her daughter, Sylvia Buchanan, was with her in Brownwood for the surgery and the checkups.

News is short this week. The people didn't have much news to report or else they were too busy to report it to me.

Congratulations to The members of the First Baptist Church of Gorman on the celebration of their 120 years of serving the Lord and the people of Gorman.

Have a wonderful week.

Ennis Youth Leads Team To Triple Crown World Series



A grinning Chris Lewis of Ennis poses with his championship hardware after his team's Triple Crown Sports World Series victory. [Chris is the son of Randy and Deliah Lewis of Ennis and grandson of Fred and Joyce Eaves of the Kokomo Community.

Great Grilling

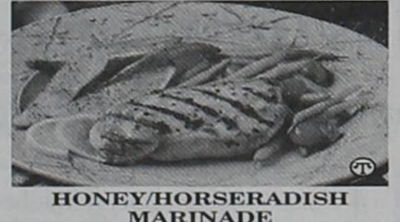
The Best Barbecue Starts The Night Before

(NAPSA)—Great barbecue chefs know that the perfect meal doesn't just appear on the grill. It takes preparation, usually beginning the previous evening. For the most flavorful and moist meats, soaking or rubbing up to 24 hours before hitting the coals can mean the difference between bone dry and savory.

Fortunately, there's one practically foolproof ingredient that barbecue fans are becoming more familiar with—one that can deliver a mouth-watering, tender piece of meat every time—kosher salt. Restaurant chefs have been raving about kosher salt for years. Its coarse, large flake is easy to use and its clean, crisp taste makes practically any meal more flavorful. When used in marinades or rubs, it locks in meat's moisture that can otherwise be easily stripped on a hot grill. Now, amateur barbecue chefs everywhere are recognizing its amazing qualities and are using it as a main ingredient in their preparations.

America's trusted authority on salt for more than 150 years, Morton Salt, confirms that kosher salt sales have seen tremendous growth as cooks catch on to its many home uses. It can be used as a substitute for table salt and also makes a beautiful garnish on meats, vegetables and the rim of a cocktail glass.

Marinating meat will help to lock in flavors and keep it moist. Soak meat for at least 30 minutes before grilling or up to 24 hours for maximum taste and juiciness. We suggest trying a recipe that combines the sweet flavors of orange and honey with grated horseradish for a bit of a kick. While marinating, the meat will soak up amazing tastes that will remain long after the coals cool.



HONEY/HORSERADISH MARINADE

½ cup orange juice
¼ cup honey
2 tablespoons white wine vinegar
2 teaspoons Worcestershire sauce
1 teaspoon Morton Kosher Salt
1 teaspoon prepared grated horseradish
¼ teaspoon ground thyme
¼ teaspoon black pepper

Cooking: Combine ingredients in small saucepan. Cook and stir until sauce simmers* and becomes shiny. Cool 15 minutes. Store in airtight container in refrigerator until needed.

Chicken—Brush chicken pieces generously with marinade. Allow to marinate in refrigerator at least 30 minutes. Discard marinade. Proceed to bake, broil or grill until chicken is cooked through and juices run clear. (Internal temperature—170° F. for poultry breast pieces; internal temperature—180° F. for poultry thighs and wings.)

*** Microwave Directions: Combine ingredients in microwave safe bowl. Heat on HIGH in covered bowl for 2 minutes. Whisk to incorporate ingredients.**

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