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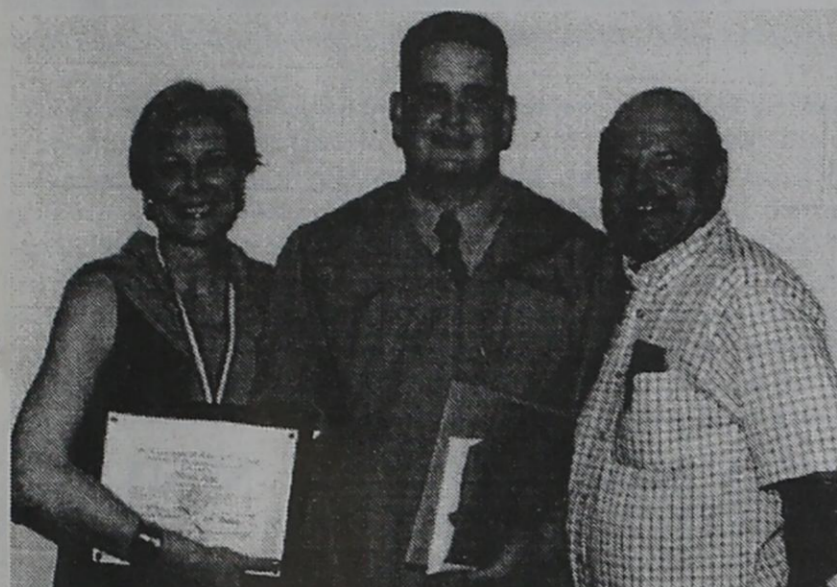
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Patty Hirst Receives Teacher Of Year Award At Dublin Schools



Patty Hirst (left), Sam Hirst-Wade (center), Ike Wade (right)

On May 30, Patty Hirst, formerly of Gorman, was presented with the Mirabau B. Lamar Award of Excellence as Teacher of the Year in the Dublin schools.

Patty is a 1973 graduate of Gorman High School. She received a bachelor's degree from Tarleton State University in 1976 and a master's degree from Midwestern State University in 1981. Now a secondary language arts teacher, Patty considers former Gorman teachers Annie Mae Wright and Nedra Green to have been her inspiration in becoming an English teacher.

The ceremony at which this award was presented was actually the graduation of the Dublin Class of 2003. Sam Hirst-Wade was one of the seventy-one graduates. During the graduation exercises Sam was awarded scholarships from the Lions' Club and the First United Methodist Church. He had previously been selected to receive the Ram Academic Scholarship from Texas Wesleyan, the Rose Lafferty and Flora Foust Scholarship as well as the Principal's Award at DHS. Sam had the privilege of announcing the benediction at the end of the graduation. He will be attending Texas Wesleyan University in Ft. Worth in the fall and will be playing basketball for the TWU Rams.

Bruce and Lavoyce Hirst are the parents of Patty and grandparents of Sam.

GORMAN ALL STAR'S BASEBALL TOURNAMENT

If you have missed out on the youth baseball season so far, here is your last chance to catch up on what you've missed. The Gorman Baseball Commission is hosting an All Star's Baseball Tournament on July 8, 10, 11, and 12. Games begin at 6:00 p.m. Tuesday, Thursday and Friday; and 10:00 a.m. on Saturday. Come out to Peanut Park to support your Gorman All Star team playing at 7:30 on Thurs, 6:00 on Fri, and 4:00 on Sat. Best of all come to the tournament to enjoy sno-cones, and Peanut Park hot dogs for just \$1.00. Support your local team and have lots of fun and good food while showing these young baseball players you care. We hope to see you there!

Gorman Baseball Commission

Summer Worship Conference Slated July 11 thru 13

Firstfruits Christian Fellowship in Gorman is hosting a special worship conference this weekend, July 11-13th, at the church in Gorman. The public is invited. The featured speaker is Olen Griffing. Olen is the founding pastor of Shady Grove Church in Grand Prairie, Texas. In his 25 years as Senior Pastor he took the church from 39 to over 3,000 members. Among other things, Shady Grove is known for its passion in worshipping God. Olen and his wife Syble now live in San Angelo and oversee Antioch Oasis International, a relational network of churches and ministries.

Other speakers include Gary Fink, the Pastor of Worship at Firstfruits Christian Fellowship; Danny Brown, Pastor of Kingdom Builders Fellowship in Eastland, plus others.

Some of the topics covered during the conference include: The Biblical foundations for contemporary-style praise and worship. How to experience the manifest presence of God in worship. Developing a heart that worships Jesus. Plus: Technical sessions for using Keyboards/piano in worship and keys to operating sound equipment effectively.

The conference begins with a worship service on Friday night the 11th, beginning at 7:00 PM and continues during the day on Saturday (beginning at 9:00 AM) and includes a public worship service at 7:00 PM on Saturday night. You can preregister for the conference online or find more specific details about the conference at www.fcf-gorman.org. Firstfruits Christian Fellowship is located across from the football field in Gorman (734-3203).

ASB Holds Free Hot Dog Lunch July 1



American State Bank recently held a Free Hot Dog Lunch at the Bank parking lot. Some bank employees were cooking the hot dogs on their own barbecue grill with the help of the new Miss Gorman and Little Miss Gorman.

Local and Area Events Attended By Miss and Little Miss Gorman



Miss and Little Miss Gorman help ASB with hot dogs



MISS GORMAN CONTESTANTS — (l to r) Miss Gorman 2002; 2nd runner up - Crystal Williams, daughter of Buddy and Anna Eaves, her escort was Thomas Mark Wilson; 1st Runner Up - Amanda Hair, daughter of Bill and Sherri Hair, her escort was Ryan Wright and Miss Gorman 2003—Rachel Granado, daughter of Alex and Teresa Granado, her escort was Tim Guerra.



Miss and Little Miss Gorman participant in Rising Star Parade



LITTLE MISS GORMAN 2003—Kourtney Seaton, daughter of Jeff and Veronica Seaton. Escort was Rylan Laminack; 1st Runner Up - Vanessa Longoria, daughter of Frank and Graciela Longoria, escorted by Daniel Herrera; 2nd Runner Up - Bailey Underwood, daughter of Amanda and Jody Johnson, escorted by Cain Wilson; Tori Collins, daughter of Lisa Deel and Darin Collins, escorted by Keaton Alexander Collins; Mahalia Majors, daughter of Scott and Donna Scitem, escorted by Garrett Scitem; Beatriz Montelongo, daughter of Javier and Eva Montelongo, escorted by Alfredo Montelongo; Kodie Sparger, daughter of Jeremy and Jennifer Sparger, escorted by Kamren Sparger; Beth Woodall, daughter of Jimmy and Becca Woodall, escorted by Sheldon Fenley.

EX STUDENTS ASSOCIATION

Join the Parade!!!

Some ex-students are excited about an idea proposed by Donnie Rodgers. Donnie told us that at Rising Star many ex-students get some of their former classmates together to ride in their festival parade. They decorate a car, truck, buggy, or whatever; use a big sign saying "Class of XX;" and ride in the parade. A classic car would be ideal, as would a pickup decorated in the school colors.

We are trying to get at least 10 classes to participate this year in the Peanut Festival Parade. So be a leader, call a few classmates, and get involved. We have some very creative ex-students who can use ideas centered around our backgrounds such as peanut farming; western wear; ranching; Gorman Panthers' good ole Red and Blue; 50's, 60's, 70's clothing; and the list goes on. Francis Simpson and Cecilia Hirst are ex-students who are coordinating this. Give them a call so we can pass on the information to others.

Here's an idea for your class—what about a class party before the football game on September 12 to decorate your float? This would be a great way to start homecoming and the Peanut Festival!!!!

Gorman Police Department Offer To Keep Eye On House

It's vacation time or weekend away from Gorman.

The Gorman Police Department will keep an eye on your home or business while you're gone. Come by and let us know.

Thank You

The 4-H Club of Gorman would like to thank Birdsong Peanuts for the new 4-H sign on east Hwy. 6. It looks great.

Thank you, Gorman 4-H

Gorman Peanut Festival 2nd Saturday in September. Mark your calendars.

ITEMS OF INTEREST

Monthly Men's Prayer Breakfast - Third Wednesday each month at 7:00 a.m. at First United Methodist Church. Various community Men's Groups will be hosting the breakfast.

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

First Monday Prayer Meeting at Gorman Senior Center at 7:00 P.m.

Gorman Masonic Lodge No. 716 A.F. & A.M. Regular stated meetings are 2nd Tuesday of each month at 7:30 p.m. Members are urged to attend. Visitors are always welcome. Glenn Glasson, Master — Pat Moseley, Secretary.

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

GORMAN GROW MEETING — The Gorman Grow will meet on the Third Monday of every month at 6:30 p.m. in the Gorman Senior Citizen Building. Contact Payton Vaughn, Veronica Seaton or Lori Dodd.

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.

DANCE — There is a Senior Citizens Dance every Monday night. Music by *The Outcast Band* featuring Gene Williams and C. B. Sutton. 7:00 to 9:30 p.m. Admission \$3.50 - De Leon City Hall.

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.

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

Gorman Oaklawn Cemetery 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 - JULY 16TH FROM 9 - 12 NOON.

FCF God's Love at S.C.U.B.A.—A Super Cool Undersea Bible Adventure

Firstfruits Christian Fellowship invites Children to dive into God's Love at S.C.U.B.A.—a Super Cool Undersea Bible Adventure.

On this adventure, kids won't find any boring reminders of tedious schoolwork. Our SCUBA program will provide fun, memorable Bible-learning activities for kids ages 4 thru 12. Each day kids will sing catchy songs, play teamwork-building games, nibble tasty treats, experience electrifying Bible adventures, and create Bible Point crafts they'll take home and play with all summer long.

SCUBA begins July 14th and continues thru July 18th. Children will meet each day at Firstfruits Christian Fellowship, 327 W. Lexington (across from the football field) from 9:00am. until 11:30am. A church van will be available to pick children up and take them to the church and home when SCUBA is over. For more information please call the church office at 734-3203 or Dornie Lane at 639-2190.

Scitern Get Together

On Sunday, June 22, those visiting with Alvis, Bonnie and Laveda Scitern were Sharlott and Roy Neal Pippins of Eldorado, Jennena Dillard of Mustang, OK, Lois Lord of Bay City, Van Phelps of Houston, Faye Scitern of Port Aransas, Gene and Carolyn Foster of Gorman, Glenn and Kathy Scitern of Eastland, Winefred Scitern of Alpena, AK, Larry and Jo Ann Scitern of Alpena AK, Patsy Chance of Muleshoe, John Paul Pahlam of Odessa and Johnny Ramires of Odessa.

Some of Alvis' family had a reunion at Lamancha Ranch.

Daniels Family Reunion

The Daniels Family Reunion was at Proctor Lake on June 14th and 15th. There was real good attendance and two days of visiting and playing '42', boating, skiing, picture taking, and a lot of good food.

Those attending were: Burnice Daniels—the oldest at 89 years old; daughter and son-in-law Bill and Mary Ann Barrentine;

A.D. and Sonnie Daniels-DeLeon; Jal and Nelda Pittman-Fort Worth; Melvin Daniels-DeLeon, son Ray and Shirley Daniels of Gorman, Todd, Cari, Shyan, and Ceira Phillips of Stephenville;

Gilbert Daniels (deceased) family, daughter Judy, Eugene, Cody Painter-Zephyr, Kim Williams and husband and three children-Zephyr, Beverly Painter and son-Brownwood, friend Kenneth Wilson-Comanche;

Bonnie Daniels Scitern, Alvis and LaVeda Scitern-Gorman, Glenn and Kathy Scitern-Eastland, Allen, Dena, Reese Scitern-Cisco, Steve, Shawnda, Garrett and Colton Scitern-Anson, Jeremy, Jennifer, Kody, Kade, Kamren Sparger-Gorman, Kevin, Amber and Jordan Scitern-Gorman;

Melva Jordan-Eastland, Wesley, Tammy, Vanessa, and Savana Collins-Olden, Ronnie and Zandra Hutchison-Eastland, Michael, Tabitha, Shelly, Lauren, Hanna Jordan-Cisco;

Dorothy Daniels Goates and Nikki-Cisco, Vivian, Annie, and Allison Wilcoxon-Ranger, Angelia Williams-Cisco, Tracey, Alexis and Jr. Miles-Abilene, Robert, Reta Goates-Hobbs, NM, Robi Russell-Hobbs, NM, Rona and Briana Jurado-Hobbs, NM;

Frances Daniels Skaggs-Mankato, MN, Travis and Viki Skaggs-St. Petersburg, FL, Alma Lee McConnell-Henderson, MN, Maxene Balden-Mankato, MN; Wanda Daniels Bingham and Bill was unable to attend due to ill health-Midland, Annett Reed was in great pain-she was thrown from a horse in a thunderstorm and broke her arm and cut her eye and bruised her up but she was there anyway.

Family Fish Fry



Thirty-one members of the Williams family celebrated the Fourth of July at the home of W.T. and Evelyn Yardley in Desdemona.

Those in attendance were Debert and Fay Williams of Stephenville, Dorothy Roberts of Desdemona, Sara Williams of Olden, Dwayne Williams of Decatur, Leo and Eloise Williams of Desdemona, Donna Moore of Strawn, David Williams of Cache, OK, Lorey Helms of Hico, Ruth Daffron of Desdemona, Nelda and Garth Priddy of Desdemona, Marlin, Laura Ann, Shayla, Miranda, and Landon Priddy of Stephenville, Gregory, Sally, Sheridan and Everett Priddy of Desdemona, W.T. and Evelyn Yardley of Desdemona, Darrell, Carol, Amy, and Noelle Yardley of Catechee, SC, Elian and Brandon Evans of Six Mile, SC, and Steve Yardley of Dallas. Fish was furnished by Leo Williams and it was rumored that there were some pollywogs in the mix, but not even the cooks (Greg and Garth Priddy) knew for sure.

Abbott Named To Ranger College President's List

Robert J. Abbott of Gorman was named to Ranger College President's List.

To qualify for the President's List, students must have a 4.0 GPA.

Desdemona Homecoming and School Reunion August 9th

Desdemona Homecoming and School Reunion will be held on Saturday, August 9, 2003 at the school gym.

This annual event began in 1922 and it is well attended each year. Morning program will begin at 10:00 a.m. Noon meal will be catered. Historical items, maps, photos and a video on Boom Days will be on display in the musical room for the visitors to enjoy.

Contact your former classmates, teachers and friends. Make plans to attend for an enjoyable day.

Cousins—Grady and Dorothy Daniels-Granbury, Willard and Laverne Hodge-Cisco, Lissie Fay Burris-Cisco.

DESDEMONA NEWS

BY Vonnie Guthery

Ladies monthly social will be held on Monday, July 14 at the Community Center. There will be a contest on "Who Can Wear the Most Ugly Earrings!" Visitors are welcome. Hostesses are Mildred Million, Evah Sparkman and Barbara Bush for this event.

Wayne and Karen Eaves and Lorin recently enjoyed a short vacation to Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. They visited the Cowboy Hall of Fame, Museums and other points of interest. Lorin enjoyed watching the Indian Parade and Dance.

Helen (McKinney) Humphries, her husband and their daughter visited in Desdemona on Thursday, July 3rd. Helen started to school in Jakehamon and transferred to the Desdemona School in the 3rd grade. Her father, Clyde McKinney worked for the Jakehamon Railroad. She has lots of "fond memories" of her school days. Helen is having some health problems and doesn't know if she will be able to attend the annual Homecoming and School Reunion on Saturday, August 9th. She would like to say "hello" to all her former classmates and friends in the area.

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Bernard and Ann Keith enjoyed the musical last Saturday night in Sipe Springs. They attend most of the musicals in this area.

Dora Holland recently enjoyed a plane trip to Florida to visit. She reported a wonderful trip.

Thought for today: "Every minute of anger—you have lost 60 seconds of happiness."

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June Police Report

For the month of June 2003, the Gorman Police Department made 7 arrests for the following offenses:

Robert Brown—Assault Family Violence; Shelia Brown—Assault Family Violence; Jeffrey David Robertson —Eastland PD warrants; Mark Andrew Campbell—Assault Family Violence; Christopher Wayne Lewis—Eastland Co. warrants; Valentine Serrano—Public Intoxication/Disorderly Conduct; Brian Freeman—Burglary of a Building; 5 Juveniles for Burglary of Building/Habitation.

There were 58 Citations issued by this department. There were 12 animal calls, 5 disturbance calls, 3 suspicious vehicle/person(s) calls, 3 locked keys in vehicle calls, 1 medical emergency call, 2 fire assist calls where an officer assisted driving a fire truck to the scene, 4 funeral calls.

This department investigated two Burglary calls where arrests were made. Again the Gorman Police department is still needing your assistance in the break-in at Gorman Milling and the theft of a portable air compressor and assorted items taken from a residence on E. Hall St. If you have seen or heard anything about said incidents contact this department.

An Open Letter to All Former Students Desdemona School Reunion August 8, 2003

Dear Friends:
The 2003 Desdemona School Reunion will be held Friday afternoon, August 8, in the Baptist Church Annex (the old Methodist Church) in Desdemona. All former teachers, students, spouses and friends are cordially invited to attend.

Registration will be from 4:30-6:00 p.m. There will be a short program at 6:00 with dinner following immediately thereafter. The dinner buffet, which will be prepared by Cook's Fish Barn, will cost \$8 per plate.

Please RSVP to one of the addresses below by August 1 and let us know how many people will be attending from your family so we can give the caterers a head count. Since we don't have a complete address list, please pass this information along to anyone you think might be interested in attending. Tell them we need their 911 address to add them to the mailing list.

We hope you can attend! It's always so much fun to visit with everyone and have a chance to catch up. Your participation in these annual reunions is what makes them such memorable occasions. We look forward to seeing you on Friday, August 8!

Yours truly,
Loreta (Griffith) Crenshaw
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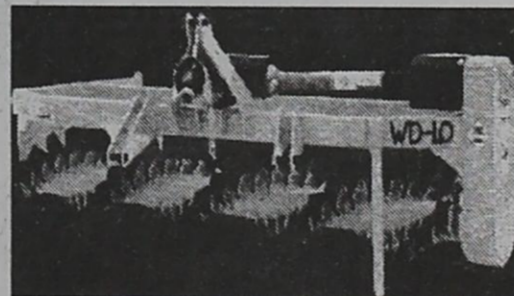
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Kokomo News

By Zelda Jordan

Do we have to look at the calendar to realize that this is July what with the temps in the low to upper 80s with little pop-up showers here and there. Nice, isn't it?

The special music at the Sunday morning service at the Kokomo Baptist Church was rendered by Aletha Burgess, Kay Snider, Karen Patterson, Sylvia Buchanan, Leona Wilson, Helen Browning, Jimmy Little, Joe Bond and Woodrow Browning with Ruby Lee Kinser at the

piano. Visitors were Karen Patterson of Eastland and Kenneth Welch and Linda Ogle.

Glynda Bond underwent knee surgery in Hendrick Medical Center in Abilene on Tuesday, July 1. Bro. Clarence and Leona Wilson, Oren and Norma Webb and Pat and Gwen Ray of Big Spring were in Abilene on Tuesday to be with Glynda and Joe during the surgery. Brian Bond of Dallas was in Abilene from Friday to Sunday playing in a golf tournament and visited with his mother in the hospital. Shannon, Stephanie and Raegan Bond of Copperas Cove spent Friday night here with his Dad and spent Saturday in Abilene at the hospital with his mother. We are happy to report that Glynda was able to come home from the hospital on Saturday evening and reports that she is doing well. We wish her a speedy recovery.

Hattie Griffith of Forsan and her family spent the Fourth of July weekend at their Lake Leon home. Johnnie B. Griffith visited with them.

Durwood and Aletha Burgerss, Ben Burgess, Chelsea and Haley Buckley visited at Pleasanton with Glenn and Donna Burgess, Reba and Seth from Monday until Wednesday last week.

Durwood and Aletha Burgess and Aline Garrett were among those enjoying a belated July 4th celebration complete with fireworks at the home of Dan and Charla Burgess on Saturday.

Those visiting with Jimmy and Verna Lee Little during the Fourth of July holiday weekend were Nelda, Cody and Jarad Falls and Tim Breedon, Courtney Butts and Latricia Butts of Arlington, Ray Neal, Melissa and Emily Little of Eastland and James, Jill, Ashley and Breckley Little of Lake Leon. Joining them for a July 4th celebration on Friday and Saturday at the Little Cabin at Lake Leon were Charles and Carolyn Little, Scotty, Caye, Zach and Zane Mauney of Santo, Scott, Rane, Whitney and Brittany Rash of Santo, Charla Burgess, Alan, Shellie, Justin and Ally Little, Cortney Childers, Earl and Betty Little, Karen Patterson of Eastland, Bill and Helen Collum and Terry Collum of Desdemona.

Johnnie B. Griffith and Elisabeth Vaughn attended the funeral of Johnnie Locke in Stephenville on Saturday.

Those visiting with Nancy Hendricks were Jonell and Charlie Torrez, James Torrez, Johnnie B. Griffith and Sylvia Buchanan.

Nancy Hendricks and Sylvia Buchanan visited with Doris Bradshaw at Gorman.

Jamie Thomas of Gorman spent a week with his grandparents, Joe and Barbara Fields, and Michael. Others visiting with Joe and Barbara have been Teresa and Richard Nachtigall of Bluff Dale, June and Gladene Cates of Big Spring and Ray Don Turner.

I want to wish my daughter, Glenda Black of Fresno, CA and my granddaughter, Sheri Daniell of Abilene a "Happy Birthday" on July 12th and my granddaughter, Kayla Jordan of Lubbock a "Happy 13th Birthday" on July 17th. With love from Grandma.

laying tactics sometimes employed by drug companies to keep lower-cost prescription drugs off the market and inaccessible to consumers. At the same time, it protects innovation and preserves incentives for companies to invest in research and development.

With the passage of Medicare reform, Congress has reaffirmed an important promise to America's seniors. This legislation will help bring this venerable program into the 21st century and give our seniors the medical coverage they need and deserve.



CAPITOL COMMENT

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Fixing Medicare

The call for Medicare reform has echoed through the halls of Capitol Hill for years. This June Congress passed significant legislation to bring Medicare up to health care standards of the 21st century.

While Medicare has provided important protections for millions of Americans in the past 37 years, it is an outdated federal program in need of a major overhaul. As the number of beneficiaries has grown, life expectancy has increased and the cost of medical care has skyrocketed, our nation's senior health care program has remained stagnant.

Largely financed by today's workers for today's retirees, Medicare is facing a structural crisis. Currently, Medicare covers 40 million Americans. By 2031, with the baby-boomer generation fully into retirement, it will have to serve an estimated 77 million people and the already-stressed system could be overloaded. Simply put, too many retirees and not enough workers to fund the system will result in a catastrophic failure to provide care to millions just when they need it most.

This year Congress acted to revitalize Medicare and keep it solvent by addressing two fundamental issues: incorporate a prescription drug benefit into the system and provide seniors with choices in their health care coverage.

Medicare has not kept pace with the rapid changes in our health care system. As our research community pushes the envelope to develop life-saving medicines and procedures, our nation's health care system must take that innovation into account.

Pharmaceuticals have revolutionized medical care. Increasingly, ailments are treated with medication instead of invasive surgeries and it is imperative that those who rely on Medicare have access to affordable prescription drugs.

When Medicare won't pay for medicine to treat diabetes, but will pay for an amputation of a limb caused by complications from the disease, we have an obvious problem. But this new legislation corrects that absurd prescription.

The bill establishes comprehensive prescription drug coverage for traditional Medicare participants as well as those who opt for privately sponsored health plans. Beneficiaries will pay an average \$35 monthly premium, a \$275 annual deductible and 50 percent of drug costs up to \$4,500, with a provision for catastrophic coverage when bills exceed \$5,800.

The legislation also addresses the problem inherent with Medicare — its intrinsic inflexibility. True reform must provide our nation's seniors the freedom to choose physicians and benefits based on their individual needs. This bill does just that.

It does not force participants out of traditional Medicare. If a beneficiary is satisfied with her existing coverage, she has the option to stay put. However, if she chooses to enroll in a private insurance preferred provider organization (PPO) or health maintenance organization (HMO), Medicare will allow that choice.

An important amendment to the Medicare legislation was approved by a 94-1 vote to make generic drugs more readily available to patients, which could significantly reduce their bills. The amendment eliminates de-

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Heritage Manor News

By Nancy Hendricks

The July Birthday Party for resident will be Friday, July 11th at 2:00 p.m. Ruth Campbell will entertain. Friends and relative are welcome. Three residents will be honored for having a July birthday. There will refreshments.

He Couldn't Be a Christian

If a man would be a soldier
He'd expect of course to fight;
And he couldn't be an author
If he didn't try to write.

So it isn't common logic,
Doesn't have the right, true ring,
That a man to be a Christian
Doesn't have to do a thing!

If a man would be a hunter
He must go among the trees;
And he couldn't be a sailor
If he wouldn't sail the seas.

How strange for any Christian
To think he can be right
When he fails to work and worship
And Walk daily in the light.

On Sunday morning, Tootie Campbell of First Baptist Church came at 9:00 a.m. and taught the Sunday School lesson for 23 residents. Guests were Howard and Pat Hagood.

Visiting were Marjorie Treadway, Lane and Ernestine Campbell, Don Landers of Springtown, Kailee Roberts, Doylea Roberts, Dania Roberts, Keri Campbell, Kristi Campbell, Evah Sparkman of Desdemona, Paula Breedon of Abilene, Denzel and Fay Ables.

Guests were Sylvia Estes and Marie Cook of Carbon.

On Sunday afternoon at 2:30 those coming from the New Hope Baptist Church were Rev. Richard Watson, Rachel Watson, Lane and Ernestine Campbell. Eight residents were present.

Visiting were Glenn Glasson, Gena Rone, Richard Watson, Rachel Watson, Tootie Campbell.

On Monday, Pat Graham and Ina Smith had bingo for ten residents. They were served their favorite breakfast drink.

Visiting were Shirley Morgan, Carroll Hogan and Lee Carlton of Eastland.

Guests were Lucille Joiner and Joyce Bramlett of

Stephenville, Howard, Barbara, Julie Joiner of Arlington, Billie Jean Grisham and Ennis and Nina Joiner, Johnnie B. Griffith, Nancy Hendricks.

Dillon and Edna Jones of Dennison were visiting on Tuesday.

Tuesday morning at 9:00 a.m., Betty Duke of Desdemona came played the electric keyboard and led singing for 14 residents.

Larry and Jerry Majors, Josh Ryon, Howard and Pat Hagood visited.

Bonnie D. Stewart of DeLeon, Edith Grumbles, Christine Hammontree, Zena Simpson, Eunice Love, Buddy Rogers of Ranger were visitors.

Visiting recently were Jimmy Little.

On Monday at 2:30 those coming for the gospel singing were Helen Browning, Ernestine Campbell, Ruby Lee Kinser, Zelda Jordan, Margie Treadway, Melba Frasier, Geraldene Wright, Anna Rush, Daisy Slaton, and Nancy Hendricks. The group sang "Happy Birthday" for the June honorees. Eighteen residents were present.

Visiting were Vickie Hallmark, Rodney Roberts, Kennard and Doylea Roberts, Winston Brown, Bimbo and Anna Lee Roberts.

Guests were E.G. and Nancy Henderson of Lake Leon, Kelly Henderson of Garland, C.G. and Liz Henderson of Abilene, Thomas and Vickie Sea, Bill and Tootie Campbell, Anna Rush, Estelle Erwin, Eunice Love.

On Tuesday, games for 9 residents were presented by Ina Smith.

Guests were June Dossey, Becky Simpson, Tracey Spivey.

Visiting were Ken and Betty Sue Heathington, David and Laneta Freeman, Durward Webb, and Diana Snider.

Some visitors were Max and Janice Grice, Tisha and Daniel Grice of Stephenville, Irene West, Bonnie Croft of Lake Leon, Kenneth Good.

Henry Lenz of Carbon was visiting.

On Wednesday afternoon, Ina Smith had 'crazy bingo' for nine residents.

Jerry and Sherry Parrish were visiting.

Jordan Snider made a guest appearance on Thursday and made everyone's day bright.

On Monday, Karen Guthery came and styled residents hair.

Mary Ann Alexander of Brownwood visited on Friday.

On Thursday morning Ina Smith had exercises for six residents.

Visiting were Maxine Frasier of DeLeon, Joe Carey of Midlothian, Brent Corley of Lewisville, Idell Warren, Jerry Warren, Anna Rush.

Guests were Paul Johnson of Lubbock, Clyde and DaSha Johnson of Stephenville, Roy Johnson of Desdemona.

Thursday afternoon at 2:30, six residents enjoyed 'concentration' with Ina.

Visiting were John and Georgia Lee Hopper of Dallas, Ima Brown, Diana Snider, Daisy Slaton.

George Rodgers, Durward Webb, Diana Snider, Eunice were visiting.

Glen and Nancy Lawless of DeLeon, Howard and Pat Hagood were visiting.

On Wednesday morning, Rev. Bill Campbell of First Baptist Church came and had chapel for thirteen residents.

Visiting were Maudie Husband, Bill Moll, Bobby and Peggy Ingram of Cisco, J.B. Hamilton of Garland, Diana Snider, Larry and DeLinda, Ima Brown, Bonnie Croft of Lake Leon, Denzel and Fay Ables, Eunice Love.

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