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MARCH 15, 2001

Lady Panther Powerlifters Chamber Banquet Thursday, March 29 **Maupin - Roberts - Mauney**

The Annual Gorman Chamber of commerce Awards Banquet is approaching The date is Thursday, March 29, 2001 at 7 p.m. in the school gym.

2001 Member **Texas Press Association**

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Featured entertainment will be "The Cooper Fiddlers", of Abilene playing a variety of music, primarily country.

The tables will be decorated by businesses and organizations for a decorating contest, so come see who is the most creative.

Community Service Award and Agricultural Award will be presented, along with the Academic Awards to the top individuals of Grades 9 though 12.

The Livestock Raisers Association will cater the meal.

Tickets will be \$12.00 this year and may be purchased at the following business firms or from any director of the Chamber: Jeff Seaton, Seaton Mills; Ron Keller; George Simmons, Gorman Pharmacy; Daryl Hirst, G & H Feeds; Judy Warren; American State Bank; Bob Wilkerson, Bob's Grocery; Ray Daniels and Terry Treadway.

The Chamber invites you to make plans to attend the Banquet

Easter Treasure Hunt **Slated For April 14**

Easter Treasure Hunt, April 14 at the City Park-time to be announced later.

Donations are needed -candy- no chocolate please, snacks, toys, and or/ money can be left at City Grocery, Bobs Grocery, Heritage Manor, Smith's Service Station or contact Ina Smith at 734-2720.

Pre-kindegarten Sign-Up

Pre-kindergarten sign-up at Gorman Elementary Maxfield Elementary will hold pre-kindergarten registration, Friday, March 30. Please come to the elementary office to enroll a student for pre-kindergarten. You will need to bring the original birth certificate, shot record, and original social security card. Future Panthers must be four years old before September 1, 2001 to register for the pre-kindergarten class. March 30, es la inscripcion para el proximo ano pre-kindergarten. Al fin del registro, un estudiante debe de tener cuator anos de edad antes de Septiembre 1, 2001, debe tener una tarjeta de seguro social, partida de nacimiemento, y registro de vacunas. La enfermera escolar comprobara registros de vacunas entones. gan ala oficina de la directora a regristar.

The Gorman Lady Panthers Powerlifting Team represented their school at the Regional Region Ι Powerlifting meet held in Colorado City on Friday, March 2, 2001. Representing Gorman were Kendra Roberts, Ashley Maupin and Christina Mauney.

Kendra Roberts had a grand total of 515. Ashley Maupin had a grand total of 445. Christina Mauney had a grand total of 895.

Ashley Maupin placed 4th in her weight division and classified in Class 1A. This means that she will represent Region I in her weight division in Class 1A at the State Meet.

Christina Mauney placed 2nd in her weight division, automatically qualifying for the State Meet. She was also the top Class 1A lifter. Christina also received an Outstanding Bench Award plaque, she was the top Bench press lifter with a lift of 200.



Ashley Maupin — Kendra Roberts — Christina Mauney

High School at the State Hood in Killeen, Texas. The your support.

Ashley and Christina will Powerlifting Meet this Fri- meet starts at 9:30 a.m., and proudly represent Gorman day, March 16th, at Fort the girls would appreciate

Frances Thornton Named Branch Manager New Daughter For Justin

Sierra - Harrison Announce Engagement



Mr. and Mrs. Jackie Harrison of Arlington are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter, Carissa Dawn Harrison, to Christopher Robert Sierra, both of Arlington. Chris is the son of Mr. C. Robert Sierra of Watauga and Ms. Karen Cochran Sierra of Arlington.

The bride-elect is the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Harrison of Gorman and Mrs. Doris Jacob and the late Mr. Harry Jacob of Irving. She received, her BBA in marketing from the University of Texas at Austin where she was a member of Sigma Phi Lambda Christian sorority. She is a life member of the Texas Ex-Students' Association and is employed by Fidelity Investments.

The prospective bridegroom is the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Celestino Sierra III of Granbury and Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Cochran of Arlington. He will receive his BS degree in computer science from Texas Christian University where he is president of the Computer Science Society.

The couple plan to marry at five o'clock in the afternoon June 2, 2001, at the Episcopal Church of St. Peter and St. Paul in Arlington. A reception will follow at Thistle Hill in Fort Worth.

Jr. High and High School Track Teams

The Gorman Jr. High and High School boys track teams went to Hico on Saturday, March 3 and competed very well. Most of the other teams were 2A schools. The boys also had to deal with rainy, soggy weather all day.

Results for Jr. High

Kevin Lewis--3rd 2400 run; Kevin Lewis--1st 1600 run Scott Lewis--2nd 300 hurdles Adam Spivey--2nd 800 run **High School Results**

Jose Cruz--3rd 3200 run Jose Cruz--2nd 1600 run Miguel Cruz--3rd 800 run Sean Rountree--1st 200 M. dash



Frances Thornton, a native of Cross Plains, has been named Branch Manager of American State Bank, Gorman, Texas branch. Frances attended school, and still resides in Cross Plains with her husband Don, who is also employed by American State Bank.

Mrs. Thornton brings 22 years of banking experience, and an extensive background in civic leadership. She currently holds the position of Director of Abilene Civic Center; past director of Junior Achievement of

Abilene, Chamber of Commerce, Small Business Council and Chairperson of Abilene "Business Expo." Her activities include the American Heart Association, United Way, ASID Mentor Program and numerous Chamber of commerce Committees.

Class of

1991 Reunion

The Class of 1991 is going to have a reunion on May 19. The location and time are pending. Please send your address and phone number to: Kevin Hirst, 5011 Glen Ridge #V14, San Antonio, Texas 78229, phone (210) 647-7361.

Please send your information in as soon as possible. I will send you more information later on. Plan to attend. It is going to be fun!

and Cindy Underwood



We are proud to announce the arrival of Lauren Rose Underwood, February 6, 2001 at 9:22 a.m. Lauren weighed 7 pounds and 13 ounces, measuring 21 inches long.

The proud parents are Justin and Cindy Underwood. Paternal grandparents are Troyat and Fannie Underwood of Gorman and maternal grandparents are Jim and Jerry Choate of Cisco. Lauren is welcomed into this world with two uncles, two aunts and four cousins.

All You Can Eat Fish Dinner Door

Door **Promontory Park Volunteer Fire Department** Prizes Invites You To Join Us!!!

Prizes Donations For Your Meal Will Be Appreciated — Dine In Or Take Out Friday, Mar. 16th -- American Legion, De Leon - 6:00 p.m.

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ITEMS OF INTEREST TO AREA FOLKS

Hoedown In Hogtown

A special musical program will be presented by the Williams Family and Friends at the Desdemona Community Center on Saturday evening, March 17th beginning at 6:30 p.m. Special guest performers will include Mr. Don Hurley of London, England, and Georgia Canfield of Austin, Texas. Come join us to welcome Mr. Hurley and other guests to this special event of country and folk music. Admission is free.

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

Gorman Primitive Baptist Church has Services Every Sundays. Services begin at 10:30 a.m. Bro. Mark Waltenbarger - 1st Sunday; Elder Mike Webb, Pastor - All Other Sundays - Everyone Welcome To Attend.

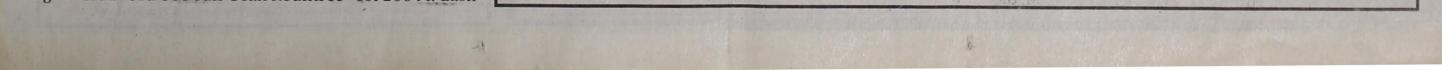
FOOD PANTRY Second Thursday of Each Month

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. Roy Lipson, Worshipful 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. - Nell Ragland, Worthy Matron and Elwood Ragland, Worthy Patron.

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 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 WILL** BE MARCH 21ST FROM 9 - 12 NOON.



MARCH 15, 2001-11

THE GORMAN PROGRESS

Obituaries

Ora Inez Shupp Laid to Rest

Ora Inez Shupp, 90, of Midland, died on Thursday, march 8, 2001 in Midland. Services were Monday, March 12, 2001 at the Nowlin Funeral Home Chapel with R. James Shupp assisted by Gary Elmore officiating. Burial was in the Downing Cemetery, Comanche County.

Mrs. Shupp was born on September 14, 1910 in Birmingham, Alabama to the late Andrew Jackson Champion and Eula Lee Stansell. She married Elmo Curtis Shupp on November 3, 1931 in DeLeon. She was a homemaker and had resided in Midland for 38 years. She was a member of the Ranchland Heights Baptist Church.

Survivors include sons, Damon Shupp and wife Barbara of Midland, Gary Shupp and wife Kathy of Midland, Dennis Shupp and wife Cindy of Danvers, MA, Danny Shupp and wife Toya of Amarillo and Valton "Bob"

J.G. Leazar **Services Held**

J.G. Leazar, 90, a retired tool builder died on Thursday, March 8, 2001 in Gainsville. Services were Saturday at the First Christian Church of Arlington with burial at Moore Memorial Gardens in Arlington.

Memorials: First Christian Church Building Fund; American Cancer Society; or a charity of choice.

J.G. Leazar was born June 13, 1910 in Gorman. He was an Arlington resident for over 50 years where he was a member and elder emeritus of First

Smith, son-in-law and wife Fern of Lamesa; sisters, Thelma Sadberry of DeLeon, Ola May Witte of Granbury; 15 grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded by husband, Elmo Shupp on May 1, 1971; son Victor Wayne Shupp, daughter Geneva. Smith; 3 sisters and 4 brothers.

Services Held for Viola W. Tabb

Viola W. Tabb, 87, of DeLeon, died on Thursday, March 8, 2001 in Brownwood. Services were Sunday, March 11, 2001 at the Nowlin Funeral Home Chapel with Bud Jones officiating. Burial was in the Gardens of Memory, **Comanche County**

Mrs. Tabb was born on March 22, 1913 in Colbert, Oklahoma to the late Ben Franklin Williams and Willie Irene Collins Williams. She married Henry Tabb on May 15, 1969 in Laredo, Texas. She was a homemaker; retired Civil Service in Supply Dept. at Kelly Field. She had resided in DeLeon since 1969 and was a member of Northside Baptist Church in DeLeon.

Survivors include her husband, Henty Tabb of DeLeon; one son, J.B. Reed of San Saba; one daughter, Leta Pearl Broussard of Springville, Alabama; 2 stepsons, Russell Tabb of Albany, Georgia and Ronald Tabb of Macon, Georgia; 4 sisters, Nina King of Van Buren, Arkansas, Virginia Stokes of Sacramento, California, Florene Darnell of Amarillo and Evangeline Adams of Odessa; 4 brothers, Leo Williams of Ector, Clyde Williams and Claude Williams, both of Amarillo and B.F. Williams of Sacramento, California; 12 grandchildren; several great and great-great grandchildren.

She was preceded by brothers, Lloyd, Garvin, and Virgil Williams and sisters Cleo Decero and Lela Hutchison.

Christian Church of Arlington and as member of the Masonic Lodge #716' in Gorman. He loved to play golf, garden and participate in church activities. He was visiting his daughter at Lake Kiowa nears Gainsville when he suffered a second heart attack, followed a week later by a massive stroke. He was hospitalized three weeks in Gainsville.

Survivors include a daughter, Sandra Pippen and husband, Harvey, of Lake Kiowa; grandchildren, Kelly Pippen Truax and husband, Thomas, of Little Rock, Arkansas; and Christopher Pippen of Chicago, Illinois, greatgrandchildren, Jennifer and Kyle Truax of Little Rock, Arkansas; sister, Muriel Prewitt of Gorman; two sisters-in-" law; and various nieces and nephews.

The City of Gorman will be accepting applications for a person or persons to operate the Gorman Pool. You need to be a certified lifeguard, CPR, & first aid. The pool will be open from Memorial Day thru Labor Day. Please bring your application to the City Office, or mail it to City, P.O. Box 236, Gorman, 76454. The Commission will accept applications thru Monday April 02, 2001. Good people skills is very will be considered as well.

Watch Out for **Spring Scams**

Just as sure as the rye grass begins to green up and the fruit trees go into bloom, the springtime scams pop-up at the Better Business Bureau.

Your Bureau is advising 'homeowners to be vigilant when home improvement companies just show up unannounced on your doorstep.

The Bureau has received a rash of complaints this year about shoddy and unfinished work. There are some things you can do to prevent from getting taken in a home improvement scam.' We offer the following tips:

*Beware of people who just show up with a little "left over" from a previous job, or completed a job for a neighbor down the street.

Richard Svarovsky and USAO To Play In National Tournament in Tulsa, Oklahoma



On March 2-3 weekend, Eula Miears visited with sister Wanda and David Goodwin and attended basketball games of the Sooner Athletic Conference. The University of Arts and Science of Oklahoma was playing. Their team was the winner of the conference.

Richard Svarovsky is excited about their winning the conference. They were invited to play in the National Tournament in Tulsa, Oklahoma on March 14-20. Their first game is Thursday, march 15 at 8 p.m. Their team is ranked #2 in the national ratings for NAIA, DIV 1. The second game will be played Friday, and another on Saturday. This is a single elimination tournament with 32 teams playing. Championship game will be on Tuesday, March 20.

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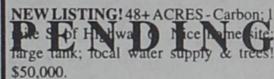
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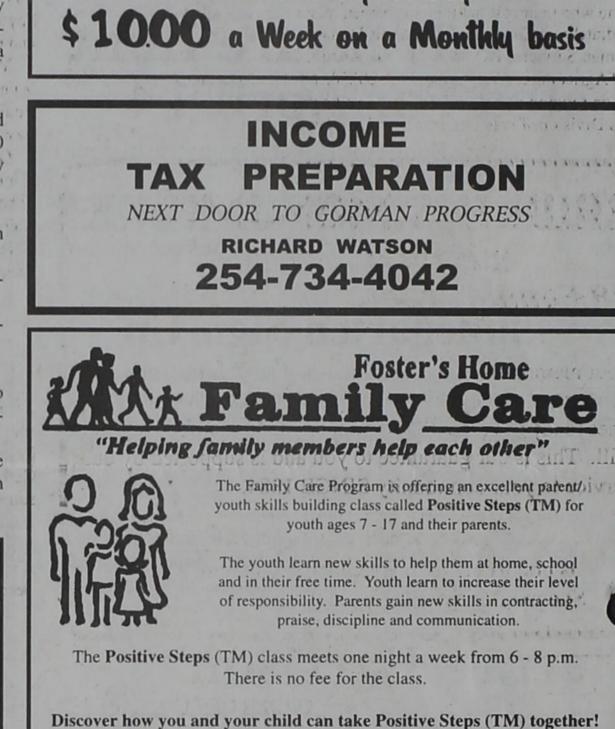
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DESDEMONA NEWS

BY VONNIE GUTHERY

First Baptist Church of Desdemona had lower attendance last Sunday due to the Spring Break, sickness, etc. Special music for the Sunday morning service was presented by Helen Collum and evening service special music was presented by Bro. Dwayne and Patty Brawner. Remodeling of the church auditorium and classrooms is supposed to be completed for the Easter services on April 15.

Wayne and Wilma Faye Iley was in Oklahoma on Tuesday, March 13 to ate funeral of her sister, Helen (Davis) Prophet. te

mon Duke passed away on March 7. Burial was in Fort Morgan, Colorado. Survivors include his wife, Mary (Rice) Duke of Fort Morgan, Colorado; two sons, Doak Duke and Dirk Duke; one daughter, Verna Beth; two brothers, Rudolph "Humpy" Duke of Desdemona; Bates Duke of Midland; one sister, Jackie Vee Strasburger of Rochester, Washington; and several grandchildren, Preceded in death by his parents Rufus and Marie Duke.

The Duke family are former residents of Desdemona where Vernon graduated with the Class of 1941, Jackie Vee with the Class of 1943, Rudolph with the Class of 1945 and Bates with the Class of 1951.

Paul Clements was buried on Tuesday, March 13 in Vivian, Louisiana. Survivors include his wife, Corinne (Keith) Clements of Vivian, Louisana; two sons, Donald Clements and wife Gladene of Longview; Rodney Clements and wife Pat of Houston; and several grandchildren. Preceded in death by his parents, Bill and Alta Clements (former residents of Desdemona) several brothers and sisters.

Corinne is a sister to Mattie (Keith) Newton, Avie (Keith) Taylor, both of DeLeon; Vonnie (Keith) Guthery of Desdemona; one brother, Bernard Keith of Desdemona. Our sincere sympathy goes out to these families.

A special musical program will be presented by the Williams Family & Friends at the Desdemona Community Center on Saturday evening, March 17, beginning at 6:30 p.m. Special guest performers will include Don Hurley of London, England and Georgia Canfield of Austin, Texas. You are invited to attend the ntry musical and folk music. Admission is free.

Summer Food Service Program

The Gorman I.S.D. announces the sponsorship of the Summer Food Service Program. Meals will be provided for children from 1 year old to 18 years of age at the Gorman School Cafeteria, 114 West Lexington, starting each weekday from June 4th through June 29th from 8:00 a.m. to 8:30 a.m. People who are eligible to participate in the program must not be discriminated against because of race, color, national origin, sex, age, disability, religion, or political belief. Anyone who believes that they have been discriminated against should write immediately to: Director, Civil Rights Division, MC W-106, Texas Department of Human Services, P.O. Box 149030, Austin, Texas 78714-9030 or the Secretary of Agriculture, Washington, D.C. 20250. NOTE: Discrimination complaints based on religion or political beliefs must be referred only to the Director, Civil Rights Division, Texas Department of Human Services.

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Miller Named to Dean's List

Jay Weldon Miller was named to the Dean's List for the fall semester at Stephen F. Austin University in Nacogdoches, Texas.

Mr. Miller is a Criminal Justice Major and is a candidate for graduation in August 2001

Jay is the son of Jean and Johnny miller of Gilmer, Texas and the grandson of Icy Munn.



A Note from the Administrator March 12, 2001 Hi folks,

We have had a good week. Hope yours has been good also. I mentioned last week that we had expanded our blood pressure clinics at the Senior Citizens to every week on Wednesdays at 11:00 a.m. We are also now going to the Gorman Hotel weekly on Wednesdays at 10:30 a.m. We are very excited about expanding these clinics to a weekly basis. Come by and see us soon!

The next Birthday Party will be Friday, March 16th at 2:00 p.m. Mary Williams and Opal Fay Snider will be the honorees. There will be entertainment and refreshments. Relatives and guests are welcome.

Visiting Mildred Bellows were Darrell and Pat Graham, Tootie Campbell, Eunice Love, Fay and Denzel Ables, Mayvis Lasater.

On Saturday morning, Dave Patterson of Abilene came and sang for Clifton and Frankie Jarrett, A.V. Seay, Inez Rogers, Cynthia Earles, Patti Whitehorn, Veno Hale, Mildred Bellows, S.D. Gilmore, Ollie Halcomb, Robin Taylor, Modess Self, Dorothy Beaty and guest Pat Graham.

Visiting Ed Johnson and Buddy Winn were Fay Johnson, Dale Johnson, Eunice Love, Deanne Moss, Mayvis Lasater and Harvey Winn of Carbon.

On Sunday morning those coming from First Baptist Church for Sunday School were Tootie Campbell, Bobby Rich and Nathan Ettinger. Residents were Inez Rogers, Robin Taylor, Ola Walker, Modess Self, Cynthia Earles, A.V. Seay, Stella Files, Irene Heathington, Ora Mae Atchison, Dean Pounds, S.D. Gilmore, Ollie Halcomb, Clifton and Frankie Jarrett.

Some of Inez Rogers and Ora Mae Atchison guests were Chessley Atchison, Lugene Morris of DeLeon, Buddy

for the purpose of:

Desdemona.

Visiting Muriel Prewitt were Bro. Paul Denton, Eunice Love, Mayvis Lasater, Durwood Webb, Fay and Denzel Ables, and Amy Fraley.

Visiting Ola Walker and Stella Files were Tootie Campbell, Denzel and Fay Ables, Eunice Love, Howard and Pat Hagood.

On Sunday afternoon those coming from the First Baptist Church were Rev. Bill and Tootie Campbell, Charley and Betty Morris, Anna Rush, Geraldene Wright and Nina Joiner. Guests were Pat Graham, Donnie Mathison and Nancy Hendricks. Residents were Robin Taylor, Dean Pounds, Ollie Halcomb, Ola Walker, Ava Rodgers, Modess Self, Clifton and Frankie Jarrett, Ola Mae Atchison, Cynthia Earles, Mildred Bellows, A.V. Seay, Patti Whitehorn, Inez Rogers and Dorothy Beaty.

Visiting A.V. Seay and Sara Rodgers were George Rodgers, Thomas and Vicki Seay, Bro. Paul Denton, Howard and Pat Hagood, Denzel and Fay Ables. Mary Williams Honored on Birthday On Monday, March 5th, Mary Williams was surprised when her daughter Maxine Frasier honored her on her 91st birthday with a surprise party. She served birthday cake and Diet Sprite. Present were Ava Rodgers, A.V. Seay, Ollie Halcomb, Dorothy Beaty, Veno Hale, Cynthia Earles, Amy Fraley, Ray Blevins, Dean Pounds, Rose Hamilton, Modess Self, Nancy Hendricks, Ora Mae Atchison, Muriel Prewitt, Patti Whitehorn. She received a beautiful pink and blue fresh daisy bouquet.

Visiting Bea O'Neal were Bruce and Lavoyce Hirst, Pat and Howard Hagood, Eunice Love, Nancy Hendricks, Mayvis Lasater, Fay and Denzel Ables.

On Monday, Pat Graham and Ina Smith had bingo for A.V. Seay, Veno Hale, Modess Self, Inez Rogers, Clifton and Frankie Jarrett, Cynthia Earles, S.D. Gilmore, Patti Whitehorn, Mildred Bellows, Ava Rodgers and Ollie Halcomb. Rogers of Ranger, Donnie Mathison of **Texas Birthday Celebration** Carbon, Dixie Ryon and Violet Wat-On Friday, March 2nd at 2:00 p.m. son of Desdemona, Howard and Pat Hagood, Eunice Love, Fay and Denwas the "Texas Birthday Celebration." zel Ables, Tootie Campbell, Lorene Red, white and blue colors were used Hamilton of Cisco, Eloise Williams of in all decorations. The centerpiece was a Texas cowboy boot filled with the Texas state flowers, beautiful bluebonnets. The table was done in red, white and blue complete with the State of Texas and flag. The cake was red, white and blue which was served with red punch. Present were Modess Self, Veno Hale, Mildred Bellows, Mary Williams, Inez Rogers, A.V. Seay, Cynthia Earles, Robin Taylor and hostess Ina Smith. Some of Ollie Halcomb and Dorothy Beaty guests were David and Deanna Halcomb, Howard and Pat Hagood, Denzel and Fay Ables, Eunice Love, Ruth Bryant, Mayvis Lasater, and Fay Johnson. On Friday morning, Pat Graham and Ina Smith had bingo for Mildred bellows, Patti Whitehorn, Veno Hale, Cynthia Earles, Modess Self, Inez Rogers, A.V. Seay, Ava Rogers, S.D. Gilmore, Clifton and Frankie Jarrett. Some of Mary Williams guests were Rose Hamilton of Cisco, Maxine

KOKOMO NEWS BY ZELDA JORDAN

MARCH 15 2001

Our many thanks to all who helped in any way to make the Kokomo Community Stew Supper a great success. We appreciate each of you. A special thanks to the former Miss Kokomos, Angela Burgess Buckley, Delia Eaves Lewis, Nelda Little Fails and Charla Little Burgess, who came to help serve. We really appreciated your help. A special thanks also to the City Grocery for their donation. A large crowd attended and seemed to really enjoy the food and fellowship. The profit will benefit the Gorman and Carbon Fire Departments and West Texas Rehab Center at Abilene.

The Sunday morning service of the Kokomo Baptist Church was a special emphasis on Missions. Doug Adkins of Dallas was the guest speaker and told of some of the mission work being done by members of the First Baptist Church of Dallas of which he and his wife, Carol, are members. Carol Adkins rendered special music and Woodrow and Helen Browning and Ruby Lee Kinser also rendered special music. Other visitors were Deliah, Chris and Jon Lewis of Ennis, Ray and Sandy Yarbrough of Flatwoods and Bit and Lori Lewis of Desdemona.

A video, "On Missions Together" was shown on Sunday night.

Those from the Kokomo Baptist Church going to Heritage Manor in Gorman for the church service on Sunday afternoon were Bro. Clarence and Leona Wilson, Woodrow and Helen Browning, Jimmy and Verna Lee Little, Hope Joiner, Nancy Hendricks, Ruby lee Kinser and a visitor, Ruth Bryant.

Bro. Clarence and Leona Wilson were lunch guests of Woodrow and Helen Browning on Sunday.

Billy and Christi Langley of Green Forrest, AR visited from Thursday night until Saturday with Sylvia Buchanan.

Deliah, Chris and Jon Lewis of Ennis visited from Friday evening until Tuesday with Delmon and Joyce Eaves. Others visiting in the Eaves home were Mark and Delores Peterson and their children, Marshall, Tony and Annalisa of Houston.

Ted Snider, Danny, Dianne and Sandra Snider visited with Hazel and LaVon Snider.

Nelda and Jarad Fails of Arlington, James, Jill, Ashley and Breckley Little of Lake Leon and Ray Neal, Melissa and Emily Little of Eastland visited with Jimmy and Verna Lee Little on Saturday night. Earl and Betty Little also visited with them.

Joe Fields of Carbon visited with Vernon, Deon and Lindell Fields. Zelda Jordan and Cassie Brasher were in Abilene on Tuesday and met Glenda Black for lunch.

Frasier of DeLeon, Howard and Pat Hagood, Anna Rush, Amy Fraley, Mayvis Lasater, Ruth Bryant, Nancy Hendricks, Denzel and Fay Ables, Bruce and Lavoyce Hirst, Gene Foster, Eunice Love.

Visiting Veno Hale were Jimmy and Verna Lee Little, Fay and Denzel Ables, Eunice Love, Howard and Pat Hagood, Mayvis Lasater and Ruth Bryant.

Visiting Ava Rodgers were Maxine Morgan of Rising Star, Lou Evelyn Rodgers of Midlothian, Jana Grice, Ima Brown, Mayvis Lasater, Eunice Love, Nancy Hendricks, Ruth Bryant, Howard and Pat Hagood, Dave and Laneta Freeman, Ken and Betty Sue Heathington, and Amy Fraley.

Those coming for the singing on Monday were Rev. Bill Campbell, Zelda Jordan, Ruby Lee Kinser, Ernestine Campbell, Pat Hagood, Bruce and Lavoyce Hirst, Marie Cook, Alpha Mae Andry, Ruth Bryant, and Nancy Hendricks. Residents were A.V. Seay, Clifton and Frankie Jarrett, Dorothy Beaty, Veno Hale, Modess Self, Inez Rogers, Ava Rodgers, Robin Taylor, Ollie Halcomb, Mildred Bellows, S.D. Gilmore, Cynthia Earles, Modess Self.

Some of Modess Self and Cynthia Earles guests were ken and Betty Sue Heathington, Dave and Laneta Freeman, V.O. Huff, Mayvis Lasater, Howard and Pat Hagood, Donnie Mathison of Carbon.

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Estelle Craddock is our Representative for the Gorman Area She may be reached by calling 254-734-2363.

ORDER OF ELECTION

An election is hereby ordered to be held on _______ MAY 05, 2001

(date)

ELECTING TWO COMMISSIONERS: PLACES #1 AND #3

Early voting by personal appearance will be conducted each weekday at

CITY HALL, REGULAR OFFICE HOURS (location)

between the hours of <u>8:00</u> a.m. and <u>5:00</u> p.m. beginning on <u>APRIL 18</u> 2001

and ending on <u>MAY 01, 2001</u> (date)

Additional early voting will be held as follows:

Location Date Hours

Applications for ballot by mail shall be mailed to:

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Applications for ballots by mail must be received no later than the close of business on FRIDAY, APRIL 27, 2001 BY 5:00 P.M.

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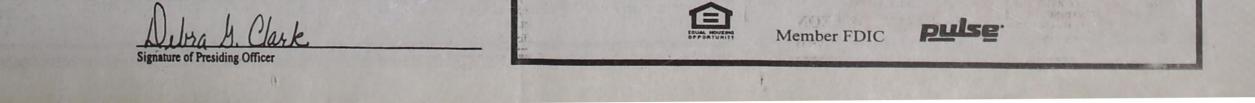
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Tuesday Betty Duke of Desdemona come played the electric organ and led singing for Cynthia Earles, Ollie Halcomb, A.V. Seay, Mildred Bellows, Stella Files, Dorothy Beaty, Ava Rodgers, Veno Hale, Modess Self, Clifton and Frankie Jarrett and S.D. Gilmore.

Visiting Irene Heathington were Cassie Freeman and Jimmy Seale of Continued On Page Four



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Brownwood, Ken and Betty Sue Heathington, Dave and Laneta Freeman, Mayvis Lasater, Fay and Denzel Ables, Nancy Hendricks, Ruth Bryant, and Eunice Love.

Tuesday afternoon, Ina Smith had 'Concentration' for S.D. Gilmore, Patti Whitehorn, Ollie Halcomb, Inez Rogers, Veno Hale, Ava Rodgers, Mildred Bellows, Modess Self and A.V. Seay.

Visiting S.D. Gilmore were Wesley Warren, Howard and Pat Hagood, Rev. Bill Campbell, Eunice Love, Mayvis Lasater, Alpha Mae Andry, Dixie Ryon and Violet Watson of Desdemona.

Some of Robin Taylor guests were Rev. and Mrs. Bill Campbell, Ellen and Rachel Tucker and Dalton Taylor.

Wednesday morning Bro. Paul Denton of Church of Christ brought chapel for Veno Hale, Patti Whitehorn, Ava Rodgers, S.D. Gilmore, Cynthia Earles, Modess Self, A.V. Seay, Frankie and Clifton Jarrett, and Inez Rogers.

Visiting Clifton and Frankie Jarrett were Donnie Mathison of Carbon, Ruth Bryant, Kay Watson, Bill Johnson, Mark Watson, Denzel and Fay Ables, Mayvis Lasater, Eunice Love.

Wednesday afternoon the Art Class was busy. They were A.V. Seay, S.D. Gilmore, Inez Rogers, Modess Self, Frankie Jarrett and Ollie Halcomb.

Hallie Clark guests were Jo Ann Fraley, Stacey Fraley, Howard and Pat Hagood, Eunice Love, Mayvis Lasater, Fay and Denzel Ables.

Thursday morning, Ina smith had the 'Word Game' for Inez Rogers, A.V. Seay, Frankie Jarrett, S.D. Gilmore, Veno Hale, Modess Self, Cynthia Earles, and Robin Taylor.

Visiting Patti Whitehorn were Rev. T.D. Whitehorn, Marie Cook, Sylvia Estes, Mary Estes of Carbon, Eunice Love, Mayvis Lasater, Fay and Denzel Ables.

Thursday afternoon it was fun when Ina Smith had the 'Snow Ball Fight' for Dorothy Beaty, Robin Taylor, Ava Rodgers, Ollie Halcomb, Modess Self, A.V. Seay and Frankie Jarrett.

Visiting Dean Pounds were Harvey Winn of Carbon, Winston Brown, Gladys Pounds and Roger Pounds.

AG TALK

By Charlie Stenholm

This past Wednesday, the House Agriculture Committee conducted a hearing with the American Farm Bureau Federation to review federal farm commodity programs in order to gather suggestions for the next Farm Bill. Our own Bob Stallman, formerly president of the Texas Farm Bureau and now President of the American Farm Bureau Federation, testified before the Committee. The Farm Bureau used the hearing to re-emphasize some of the problems we know are facing US agriculture The European Union (EU) continues to out-spend the US in their domestic farm support programs by a margin of four to one. A strong US dollar has hurt agricultural exports. Prices are expected to remain depressed in the short-term, and government support is needed and expected. The Chinese have not yet followed through with their trade commitments. This hurts US agricultural exporters by denying them full access to the huge Chinese market. During the hearing, the Farm Bureau called on Congress to authorize \$12 billion a year in additional spending for farmers. This request for more funds is comparable to what other agricultural groups are claiming is necessary for support in the coming years. The Farm Bureau also recommended that the Conservation Reserve Program (CRP) be expanded to 38 million acres. This would represent a 4.4 percent increase in the amount of acres available to be retired at a cost of \$500 million annually. The biggest items on the Farm Bureau's wish list include: \$3 billion for a counter-cyclical income assistance program; \$3 billion for conservation measures; and \$2.3 billion to increase loan rates for all program crops relative to soybeans (which would remain unchanged at \$5.26 per bushel). Other Farm Bureau recommendations include: extending the dairy price support program (\$150 million); support for fruit and vegetable growers (\$1.5 billion); re-establish non-recourse loans for wool and mohair (\$20 million); and alter the loan deficiency payment (LDP) program (\$300 million). The Farm Bureau recommended Farm and Ranch Risk Management (FARRM) accounts, which would provide tax deferment to help farmers save for years when prices are low or crops are poor. They believe this type of self-insurance program will help agriculture producers to weather the cyclical nature of the farm economy. Additional spending suggestions include an increase in agricultural export programs, expansion of rural economic development programs, and increased funding for agricultural research. Until a new farm bill is signed into law, the Farm Bureau is urging Congress to pass \$9 billion in emergency assistance for this fiscal year "as soon as possible" and an equal amount for 2002.



Genetically Modified Wheat

This week, Monsanto announced that it has Roundup Ready wheat that will be available for farmers in two to four years. This strain of wheat will allow producers to grow their crop with greater efficiency. Monsanto estimates that, through the use of Roundup Ready, a wheat crop could yield an additional \$6 to \$11 an acre. There will probably be a problem in selling this wheat, however.

Buyers from Japan to Europe and Egypt have told US exporters that they will not accept genetically modified wheat. Europe in particular has been reluctant to accept genetically modified foods.

When a market as large as Europe refuses to take the products we export, this significantly hurts American farmers and ranchers. I am frankly getting sick and tired of the barriers and excuses the Europeans are throwing in the way of fair trade with the US.

It is worth noting, however, that US exports to Canada are up 61 percent. In fact, we sell more to Canada than to the European Union. Perhaps of even greater significance is the fact that US exports to Mexico are up 131 percent. If current trends continue, US sales to Mexico will surpass those to the European Union, and Mexico will become our largest trading partner. In any case, biotechnology is an issue that will receive increased attention in the months ahead.

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	'97 Chevrolet 1/2 ton Ext. Cab, 350, auto, loaded, 39K	\$16,000
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	'96 Chevrolet 1/2 ton X-cab Z71, loaded, clean, 87K	.\$14,750
	'96 Chevrolet 3/4 ton Conversion Van, loaded, 41K, clean	.\$15,500
	'95 Chevrolet Astro Ext. Van, loaded, 59K	\$10,500
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