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## Gorman Dairy Queen To Sponsor Coloring Contest

The Gorman Dairy Queen is sponsoring a coloring contest for elementary students grades K-6. Food prizes will be awarded.

Fun Bunch Munch entries may be picked up at school or at the Gorman Dairy Queen.

More information will be available in next week.

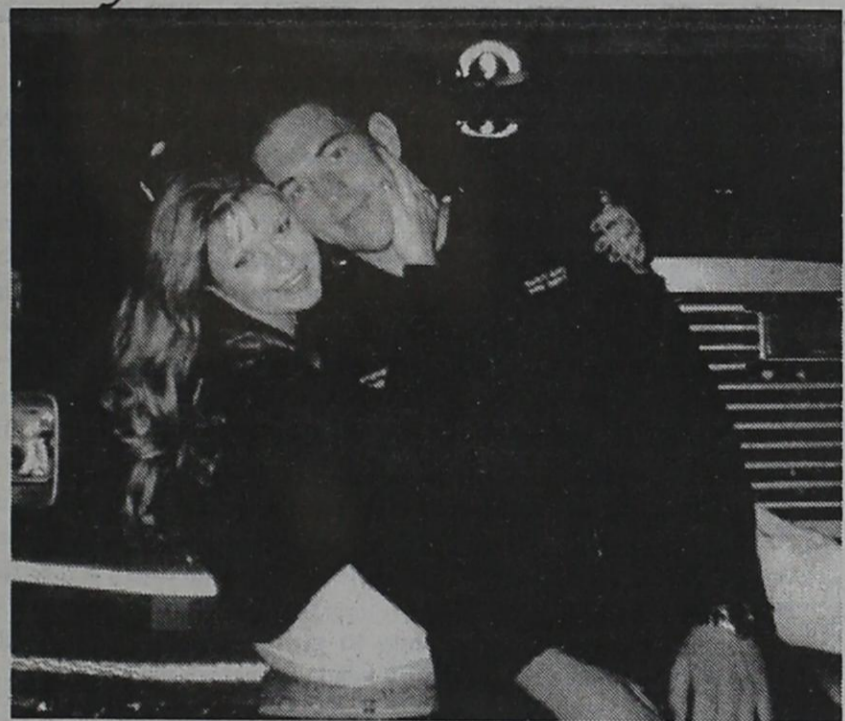
## Together Against Drug Abuse Kicks Off

Together Against Drug Abuse kicks off Friday, January 24, 2003 at 2:30 p.m. at the High School Auditorium. Together Against Drug Abuse is a Masonic program to help young students make correct choices when confronted with the temptation to use alcohol, tobacco, prescription or hard drugs. With the help from teachers, parents, law-enforcement officers, local and state community leaders, local masons and Masonic lodges, and the local business community, we can help them fight a program they cannot fight alone.

The program brings leaders from the business community, local law-enforcement officers, local and state leaders and masons together in their communities to help their children, grandchildren and children in their community to give them insight to what happens to them if they make bad choices now and in the future when confronted with use of these drugs.

The program is designed for students in the fifth grade. Our program is designed to be presented to the students by a uniformed law-enforcement officer in their school and their room. The officer will present the program every week starting the 24th day of January 2003 until the second or third week of May. The instructor's manual has enough material to make about fifteen sessions in the classroom. The lessons are assisted by work problems in the manual and video tapes. Each student will re-

## Melinda Eaves and Stephen Watson To Wed



Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Eaves of Gorman are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter, Melinda Michelle Eaves to Stephen Wayne Watson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Watson of Gorman.

Melinda is employed by William F. Simpson, Jr., D.O., in Eastland, and Stephen is a graduate of Weatherford College Fire Academy and is employed by the Eastland Fire Department.

The couple will pledge vows on February 22nd at the First United Methodist Church in Eastland. They will reside in Eastland.

## The Blackwoods Concert Set February 5th

The DeLeon Hospital Auxiliary is sponsoring **The Blackwoods...A Gospel Music Concert** on February 6 at 8:00 p.m. at the DeLeon High School Auditorium.

Call 254-893-2001 ext. 203, or 235 for ticket information.

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Through the years, Ron, Shelley, R.W., Donna and members of the Blackwood family have sold more than 40 million records, won 8 Grammy Awards, 27 Dove Awards, and 5 All American Music Awards. The Statler Brothers, Oak Ridge Boys, Tammy Wynette, and Elvis are among the roll call of stars who have said The Blackwoods inspired them and influenced their careers. Bill Gaither calls the Blackwood family "A Living Legend."

The Blackwoods have appeared on *Music City Tonight*, *Crook & Chase*, *The Statler Brothers Show*, *Barbara Mandrell* and *the Mandrell sisters Show* and all of the major television networks including CBS, ABC, NBC, TNN and TBN.

The Blackwoods are currently appearing at the Louise Mandrell Theater in Pigeon Forge, Tennessee.

## Letter To Parents of Gorman High Students

Dear Parent,

Our school district will be conducting a program for students with potential in academic and creative-productive thinking skills in grades 7-12 during the coming school year.

Any child in our school whom you believe is an intellectually gifted learner is eligible to be nominated. The program will specifically be for those students who score extremely high on Achievement Tests, Intelligence Tests, and Creativity Tests.

If you wish to nominate your child, please do so by going to the high school office and complete the proper forms. Any nomination should be made before January 29, 2003.

Finally, please be aware that if your child is nominated by you or your teacher, special testing will be needed in order to complete the identification process. In order to make the screening process move more quickly, you will be asked to grant your permission for that testing at the time you place your nomination.

Sincerely,

Kristin Matteson  
GT Coordinator

ceive his/her own T-shirt with the logo on the front to wear to class the day the officer presents the program. Upon completion, each student will receive a certificate with his/her name. The certificate is nice enough to frame and keep and is signed by the officer teaching the class and the school principal.

The Gorman Masonic Lodge would like to thank the following sponsors for their support: American State Bank, A.E. Smith Peanut Dryers, A.O. Easley Trucks, Birdsong Peanuts, Bob's Grocery, City Grocery, Comanche County Telephone Co., Con-Spec Roofing, Doug Caffey, Foster Floral, Gorman Laundry, Gorman Milling, Gorman Pharmacy, Gorman Progress, G & H Feeds, Higginbotham Funeral Home, John C. Fritts, Larry and Jerry Majors, Marvin and Louise Rich, Matt Fritts, Mears Butane, Ron's Pump Service, Seaton Mills, Smith's Service Station, T.J. Clark Construction, ZJ's Steakhouse.

## Letter to Parents of Gorman Elementary Students

Dear Parents,

Our school district will be conducting a program for students with potential in academic and creative-productive thinking skills in grades K-6 during the coming school year.

Any child in our school whom you believe is an intellectually gifted learner is eligible to be nominated. The program will specifically be for those students who score extremely high on Achievement Tests, Intelligence Tests, and Creativity Tests.

If you wish to nominate your child, please do so by going to the elementary office and complete the proper forms. Any nominations should be made before January 22, 2003.

Finally, please be aware that if your child is nominated by you or your teacher, special testing will be needed in order to complete the identification process. In order to make the screening process more quickly, you will be asked to grant your permission for that testing at the time you place your nomination.

Sincerely,

Kristin Matteson - GT Coordinator

## Oakland Cemetery Report

Dear ones--it is the time of year again that we come to you to give you a status report on the Cemetery.

It is being kept beautifully and is something that all of us can have real pride in. Thank those of you, and I do mean all that contributes to the upkeep of the resting place of our dear ones.

I wish I could find the right words to say to everyone how much we need all to get involved in this project. I humbly ask you to consider the facts that most all the people who started this job has already passed on and there are only a very few of us left to supply the needs of the cemetery.

The past three years has taken its tole on the support of this endeavor. The only way we know that this can be remedied is for each of you to please line up with the few who are left of us and all of us together can make all the difference. Come on younger people also.

Thank all of you for your understanding and support--

Oakland Cemetery Association  
Opal Burton, Secretary/Treas.  
503 N. Fisher

Gorman, TX 76454 --

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## ITEMS OF INTEREST

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

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.

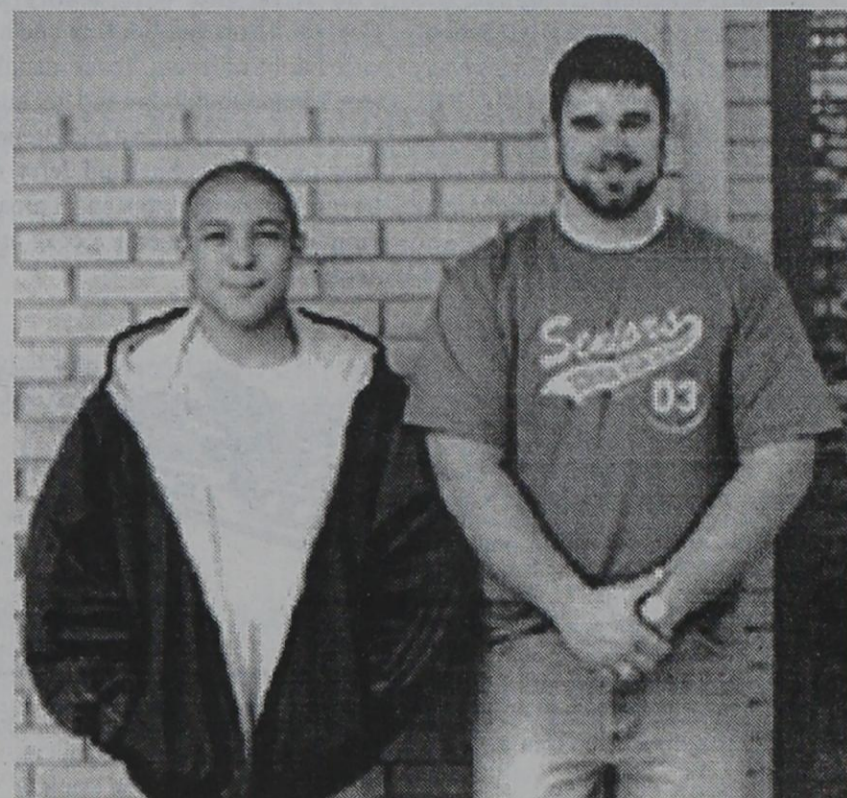
**Gorman Masonic Lodge No. 716 A.F. & A.M.** Regular stated meetings are 2nd Tuesday of each month at 7:30 p.m. Members are urged to attend. Visitors are always welcome. Glenn Glasson, Master — Pat Moseley, Secretary.

**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.

**FOOD PANTRY**  
Second Thursday of Each Month

## Torres and Hunt Named To All Big Country Team



Rolando Torres and Brian Hunt were named to the All-Big Country Football Team for 2002. Rolando was named on Defense as a Linebacker and Brian was named on Offense as a Lineman. Congratulations to both these Gorman High School Seniors.

## School Board Recognition Month

As citizen leaders, individual school board members face complex and demanding challenges. Yet, few people fully understand the scope and far-reaching implications of board members' responsibilities. All Texans should recognize the vital contributions of these men and women and focus attention on the crucial role these elected public officials play in the education of our children.

Their job is to establish a vision for the education program, design a structure to achieve that vision, assure schools are accountable to the community, and strongly advocate continuous improvement in student learning. That job entails an endless string of meetings and school functions to attend; reams of reports, agendas, proposals, and other information to read and study; and a host of difficult decisions to make.

School board members come from all walks of life. They are farmers, secretaries, doctors, lawyers, homemakers, architects, truck drivers, professors, business owners, and real estate agents, just to name a few.

While they wear many hats in the workday world, school board members put on a collective hat when they get down to the business of their school districts. Board members must pull together as a team toward a common goal—helping students achieve. While they may individually disagree on certain issues, their role as a board member is to consistently strive toward that goal.

Board members contribute hundreds of hours each year leading their districts. Whether it be crafting policies, hiring top-notch administrators, listening to staff and student concerns, or recognizing outstanding programs, board members always keep their eye on the goal of student achievement.

Their time spent in board meetings represents just a small fraction of the hours school board members spend in leading their districts. They also work hard at seminars and training sessions to keep abreast of the latest trends in educational leadership, are deeply involved in community activities, and spend hours in the schools and at extracurricular events.

Their love of learning, and concern and caring for students, staff and the community, drive board members' desire to lead so students can achieve. The Gorman Independent School District is well represented by its board members Glenn Glasson-President, Bobby Rich-Vice-President, Bob Powell-Secretary, Freddie Gilmore, Melinda Harrington, Beth Underwood, and Jeff Seaton.

In recognition of this dedicated service, January is designated "School Board Recognition Month." This is a time to show our appreciation and begin to better understand how local trustees work together to provide a better future for our children. In January, join with others throughout our district and state to salute the men and women who provide grassroots governance of public schools. Make a special effort to tell each school board member that his or her hard work has been noticed and is truly appreciated.

**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 - JANUARY 15TH FROM 9 - 12 NOON.**



# Obituaries

## Homer H. Kirk

Homer H. Kirk, 78, of Eastland, passed away Sunday morning, January 12, 2003, at the Dallas Veterans Hospital. Services were Wednesday, January 15, 2003, at the Edwards Funeral Home Chapel. Burial was in the Oakland Cemetery near Duster, Texas under the direction of Edwards Funeral Home.

Mr. Kirk was born on March 28, 1924 in Duster, Texas to Henry H. and Gertie Lee (Boykin) Kirk. He attended school in Duster and was a graduate of Gorman High School. He served in the United States Navy during World War II. Mr. Kirk married Rena Mae Smith on October 23, 1948 in Cisco. He worked as an aviation electronic technician for General Dynamics and MacDonald Douglas for 19 years



## Royal Hampton, Sr.

Royal W. Hampton, Sr., 89, of DeLeon, died on Saturday, January 11, 2003 at Harris Methodist Hospital, Erath County. Services were Tuesday, January 14, 2003 at the Nowlin Funeral Home Chapel with Jackie Auvenshine officiating.

and was self-employed. Mr. Kirk was active in several organizations including Crimestoppers, historical association, Disabled American Veterans, Veterans of Foreign Wars, and the Volunteer Fire Department in Olden.

Mr. Kirk is survived by his wife, Rena Mae Kirk of Eastland; sons, Tim Kirk and wife Kathy of Coppell, Texas and Jim Kirk and his wife Fariba of Irving, Texas; daughters, Linda Wooldridge and her husband Daniel of Eastland and Brenda Newton and her husband Jerry of Irving; 9 grandchildren and 3 great-grandchildren; several nieces and nephews.

Burial was in the Oaklawn Cemetery, Gorman.

Mr. Hampton was born on March 9, 1913 in Yellville, Arkansas to the late Adam B. Hampton and Sarah Perry Hampton. He married Doris Martin on June 26, 1938 in Mineral Wells. He was a farmer/rancher and had resided in Comanche County 85 years; residing in DeLeon area for 25 years.

Survivors include two sons, Royal W. Hampton, Jr. of DeLeon and Jimmy D. Hampton of Gorman; two daughters, Marilyn Mason of DeLeon and Rosalee Bodie of Waco; 13 grandchildren; 14 great-grandchildren and 1 great-grandchild.

He was preceded by his wife, Doris Hampton, in 1966; a daughter Reta Dell Fortune; one grand-son R.W. "Trey" Hampton, III.

# Lady Cub Basketball

## 7th Grade Tournament Results

On Saturday January 11th, the Lady Cubs traveled to Cross Plains for the annual Tournament. The girls met a tough Ranger team in the Tournament opener, but pressed onward to win the ballgame. At the end of the first quarter the Lady Cubs were down 12-2. However, they didn't let this stop there determination to win. Throughout the next few quarters they chipped away at the Ranger lead. With only seconds to go in regulation of the ballgame, Ranger fouled and put the trailing Lady Cubs on the freethrow line. Some very important freethrows were shot and made to tie the ballgame. Time expired and both teams were forced into an overtime. The Lady Cubs played solid defense and made some more crucial freethrows that put them in the lead and helped them win the ballgame.

Each player did a tremendous amount to help with the victory. They include: Kellie Moss, Brandi Carlton, Megan Lewis, Clarissa Glasson, Nicole Cogburn, and Meghan Preston. Amanda Brown is our manager this year.

The lady Cubs met Baird later that afternoon for the Championship game, but fell short of victory. Their fighting effort however helped win them second place in a tough Tournament. It is exciting to get to coach such hardworking and determined athletes. Congratulations 7th Grade Lady Cubs!

By Coach Sowell

# Maxfield Elementary

## Honor Roll

### 3rd Six Weeks

**1st grade, Mrs. Lewis--A Honor Roll--** Zachary Carlton, Fabian Garcia, Connie Gonzalez, Mykisha Hampton, Kinsey Johnston, Shyann Rainey, Melissa Ramirez; **A-B Honor Roll--** Daniel Herrera, Rasha Rainey, Alaina Swanner, Christian Zolfaghar

**1st grade, Mrs. Smith--A Honor Roll--** Courtney Byrd, Bailey Cockburn, Andy Madera, Jessica Williams, Tony Ramirez; **A-B Honor Roll--** Cindy Gonzalez, Taylor Grumbles, Yari Montelongo, Tyler Patel, Rebecca Rainey, Zac Ryon, Miles Turner

**2nd grade, Mrs. Forbus--A Honor Roll--** Austin Marlow, B.J. Ramirez; **A-B Honor Roll--** Ezequiel Sanchez, Katie Nabors, Jaron Majors, Jasmine Delatorre, Skyler Henderson

**2nd grade, Mrs. Grissom--A Honor Roll--** Sergio Garcia, Margarita Oronia, Rachel Tucker, Tyson Underwood; **A-B Honor Roll--** Dalila Hipolito, Viridiana Maldonado, Dalton Murphy

**3rd grade, Mrs. Caraway--A Honor Roll--** Jonathon Fenley, McKenzie Osbourne, Raime Preston, Erica Ortiz, Chance Whitten; **A-B Honor Roll--** David Velasquez, Jeffery Rainey, Nathan Ettinger, Cade Cole

**3rd grade, Mrs. Spivey--A Honor Roll--** Courtney Carlton, Rebekah Powell, Cody Self, Cortney Shirley, Stetson Thompson; **A-B Honor Roll--** Colby Cockburn, Carlie Jackson, Ally Little, Mallory May, Katey Thackerson

**4th grade, Mrs. Bussell--A Honor Roll--** Brice Campbell, Jaime Johnston; **A-B Honor Roll--** Matt Keith, Scotty Martin, Cecilia Olivares, Stephanie Risueno, Evangelina Sanchez

**4th grade, Mrs. Matteson--A Honor Roll--** Luis Martinez; **A-B Honor Roll--** Shelby Cisneroz, Cameron Clark, Jacob Singleton, Heather Wilson, Randy Woodall

**5th grade, Mrs. Barker--A Honor Roll--** Chance Bryant, Taylor Chew, Jonathan Flores; **A-B Honor Roll--** Tyler Johnson, Kimmy Seaton, Brenda Velasquez

**5th grade, Mrs. Wright--A Honor Roll--** Eric Ryon; **A-B Honor Roll--** Jarrett Blankenship, Ben Burgess, Edna Gonzalez, Brittany Henderson, Jessica Shook

**6th grade, Mrs. Keith--A Honor Roll--** Audrey Johnston, Matt Underwood, Veronica Walton; **A-B Honor Roll--** Sonia Hipolito, Olivia Jackson, Jordan Perry, Tyson Swanner, April Keaton

**6th grade, Mrs. Johnson--A Honor Roll--** Matthew Cogburn, Emily Lewis, Miles Vann; **A-B Honor Roll--** Marcy Gonzalez, Lindsey Laminack, Valerie Longoria, Colby Spivey, Perla Velasquez

# Gorman High School

## Honor Roll

### 3rd Six Weeks

**7th Grade--A--** Ashley Burkeen, Brandy Carlton, Nicole Cogburn, Maria Cruz, Clarissa Glasson, Tecia Jones, Jimmie Murphy, Mary Powell, Meghan Preston, Nancy Velasquez; **A-B--** Corey Clark, Jessica Esquivel, Reba Granado, Kennon Hornback, Kendra Lewis, Megan Lewis

**8th Grade--A--** K'Ann Howard, maria Oronia **A-B--** Kristy Carlton, Christina Garcia, Rosa Herrera, Stephanie Hughes, Brenda Olivares, Tiffany Perez, Brittany Shirley, Matthew Smith

**9th Grade--A--** Amber Ervin, Amber Lewis, Cindy Lopez; **A-B--** Krista Brown, Zachary Bryan, Armando Giles, Nikki Keith, Esteban Leal, Kent Long, Sharla Perez, Shannon Roberts

**10th Grade--A--** Elizabeth Hipolito, Ashlee Hornback, Clinton Jones; **A-B--** Kendra Bailey, Amanda Boyd, Martha Cruz, Christian Esquivel, Ariana Giles, Rachel Granado

**11th Grade--A--** Lacy Howard; **A-B--** Andrea Files, Maria G. Garcia, Melinda Leal, Kalyn Porter, Emily Thornton, Crystal Williams

**12th Grade--A--** Sarah Lewis, Shari Marlow, Moritz Niehaus, Berenike Thomalla; **A-B--** Matt Boone, Josh Bridges, Josh Carruth, Dylan Cogburn, Samuel Garcia, Tana Grissom, Brian Hunt, Russell Jay, Mayra Lopez, Emma Marin, Rhesea Rainey, Anthony Ramirez, Natasha Ritter, Chad Robertson,



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Edna Powell — phone (254)734-3135 or  
Deann Powell — phone (254)734-3322

# KOKOMO NEWS

BY ZELDA JORDAN

Daryl Hirst rendered the special music, "Ten Thousand Years" at the Sunday morning service at the Kokomo Baptist Church.

Those from the Kokomo Baptist Church going to the Heritage Home in Gorman for the church service on Sunday afternoon were Bro. Clarence Wilson, Woodrow and Helen Browning, Joe and Glynda Bond, Ruby Lee Kinser, and Nancy Hendricks. Mrs. Hope Joiner, a resident at the home and a member of the Kokomo Baptist Church, joined them for the service.

Daryl Hirst, and Brenda Thomas of Cisco presented a music program at the Kokomo Baptist Church on Sunday night. Brenda's husband, Steve, was a visitor.

Visitors with Nancy Hendricks during the week were Joe and Glynda Bond, Doris Bradshaw, Sylvia Buchanan, Zelda Jordan and Johnnie B. Griffith.

Sylvia Buchanan and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Sisson of Stephenville visited recently in West Columbia with Kelly Buchanan and Tina Billingsley.

Zelda Jordan visited in Abilene with Glenda and Leon Black and Wade, Sheri, Ryan, Kody and Emily Daniell and on Wednesday Glenda took Zelda to Snyder to meet her sister, Laverne Winn of Muleshoe and sister-in-law, Wanda Russell of Floydada and Zelda returned to Lubbock with them. They visited in Slaton with a brother, Arvel Lewallen of Slaton enroute to Lubbock. Another sister and brother-in-law, Barbara and Bo Bell of Denver City joined them at the Covenant Medical Center in Lubbock on Thursday morning to be there with Arvel as he underwent an angiogram, angioplasty and had a stent put in an artery at the back of his heart. He was able to return to his home on Friday and is doing well. My thanks to all who had him on their prayer list. We know that God hears and answers prayer.

While in Lubbock Zelda was a house guest of Cindy, Kyle and Kayla Jordan. She returned home on Sunday when Laverne and Wanda brought her to Abilene and all had a lunch visit with Sheri, Ryan, Kody and Emily Daniell.

There was also an opportunity to go to Floydada for a visit in Wanda's home and a trip to the Floydada Cemetery where my parents, Jim and Lois Lewallen and brother, Jamie Lewallen is buried.

My congratulations to my grandson, Kyle Jordan, of Lubbock Coronado High School for qualifying for the all area band. Congratulations also to my great-grandson, Kody Daniell for being named to "special helper" in his kindergarten class at Valley View Elementary School in Abilene.

Leon and Glenda Black left Saturday morning for Harlingen where he will be employed at The Valley Baptist Hospital.

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## 8th Grade Lady Cubs Win Tournament

On Thursday, January 9th, the Lady Cubs traveled to Cross Plains for their annual Tournament. There were several teams from our district entered in the tournament. They included: Baird, Ranger, and Cross Plains. Some of the other teams included Gustine and Rising Star.

The Lady Cubs were matched with Cross Plains in the Tournament opener. The game was exciting and close throughout, but Gorman pulled away with a 28-22 victory over the Lady Buffs.

Saturday, January 11th, the Lady Cubs returned to Cross Plains to play the Gustine Lady Tigers. They defeated the Lady Tigers to move on to the Championship Game against the Baird Lady Bears. Gorman quickly got on the boards and took control of the ballgame. The final score was Gorman 21, Baird 18.

The Lady Cubs Team consists of: Mindy Keaton, Kaci Seaton, Crystal Thackerson, Tesia Griffin, Chrisina Garcia, Tiffany Perez, Kristy Carlton, Rosa Herrera, Brittany Shirley, and Amanda Brown Manager.

This team worked very hard to win the tournament, and as a coach I am very glad I have the opportunity to coach them. Congratulations Lady Cubs!

By Coach Sowell

## 'Odd Couple' Auditions at CJC

The Cisco Junior College drama department will hold auditions for Neil Simon's "The Odd Couple" (female version) on Monday and Tuesday, January 27 and 28, at 7 p.m. in room 215 of the Harrell Fine Arts building. A six-week rehearsal period will begin February 17 and will culminate in a one-week performance run in mid-April. Roles are available for six women and two men in a variety of age ranges. It is not necessary to attend both audition sessions, and the entire Big Country area is welcome. For more information, call (254) 442-2567, ext. 124.

## Ten Free Flowering Trees From Arbor Day Foundation

Ten free flowering trees will be given to each person who joins The National Arbor Day Foundation during January 2003.

The free trees are part of the nonprofit Foundation's Trees for America campaign.

The ten trees are 2 White Flowering Dogwoods, 2 Flowering Crabapples, 2 Goldenrain trees, 2 Washington Hawthorns, and 2 American Redbuds.

"These compact trees were selected for planting in large or small spaces," John Rosenow, the Foundation's president, said. "They will give your home the beauty of lovely pink, white, and yellow flowers -- and also provide winter berries and nesting sites for songbirds."

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

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

To become a member of the Foundation and to receive the free trees, send a \$10 contribution to TEN FREE FLOWERING TREES, National Arbor Day Foundation, 100 Arbor Avenue, Nebraska City, NE 68410, by January 31, 2003.

## School Menu

Week of January 20

### Breakfast

Monday--Cereal, toast, milk, juice

Tuesday--Breakfast Burritos, milk, juice

Wednesday--Oatmeal, toast, milk, juice

Thursday--Cinnamon Rolls, oranges, milk, juice

Friday--Biscuits, sausage, gravy, milk, juice

### Lunch

Monday--Burritos, chili/cheese, salad, Spanish rice, sugar cookies

Tuesday--Fish, pinto beans, cole slaw, choc. chip bars, cornbread

Wednesday--Steakfingers, creamed potatoes, green beans, hot rolls

Thursday--Hamburgers, fries, ice cream

Friday--Pizza, Corn, Salad, fruit

## CJC Announces President's List and Dean's List

Catie Davis and Charla Davis, Cisco Junior College students from Gorman, are on the recently released President's List for the fall semester of 2002. Students making the President's List have made a straight "A" record on a 4.0 system.

Casey Simpson and Cody Simpson, Cisco Junior College students from Gorman, are on the recently released Dean's List for the fall semester of 2002. The Dean's List includes students earning a 3.5 or better grade point average on a 4.0 system.



## Crime Watch

'Tis The Season To Be Careful

(NAPSA)—While charity is said to begin at home, protecting against charity fraud should begin there as well.

Although appeals for charitable contributions appear in the mail, over the phone and on the Internet



If you are unfamiliar with a charity asking for donations, get more information.

throughout the year, they tend to increase during the holidays.

To guard against charity fraud, the U.S. Postal Inspection Service offers these suggestions.

• If you are unfamiliar with the charity asking for donations, request its annual report and financial statement.

• Check out unfamiliar organizations by contacting the Better Business Bureau.

• Make checks payable to an organization, not an individual.

• Be suspicious about requests for assistance that accept cash donations only.

Individuals who wish to do a background check of a charitable organization may also contact the Wise Giving Alliance, Council of Better Business Bureaus, 4200 Wilson Blvd., Arlington, VA 22203, or visit the Web site at [www.give.org](http://www.give.org).

To learn more, or to report fraud online, visit the Postal Inspection Service Web site at [www.usps.com/postalinspectors](http://www.usps.com/postalinspectors).

## Desdemona News

By Vonnie Guthery

A letter from Freddie Kinnison was recently directed to this reporter—asking for any information possible of his family. He visited the Desdemona Cemetery last October in search of his great great grandfather's grave. His name was William N. Noel, born 1829 and died 1880. His luck was good for this grave marker and he was reason to believe that William's wife, Narcissus Noel was buried beside him, but she doesn't have a grave marker. Also at the cemetery he found a new marker on two graves just behind Wm N. Noel. The marker was for Mollie Noel and Lula May Noel who died in 1914 and 1919. There were recent silk flowers by this new marker and he was hoping someone would know who placed this new marker and the silk flowers in the cemetery. Freddie would like to have more information on this and he wants to place a marker there for Narcissus Noel (if it is on record that she was buried by her husband, Wm. N. Noel. He was pleased and very proud to see all the Confederate flags among those graves who served in this branch of service. Also at the close of his nice letter, he wants to compliment the caretaker for all the loving care put in on the upkeep of the cemetery. Please contact this reporter if you have any information about any of this family, new marker, etc. I will pass it on to Freddie. Thanks.

Bernard and Ann Keith attended the funeral of John Brown in Ranger one day last week. Survivors include his wife, Barbara (Bobbie) Jones Brown of Ranger.

This report has received numerous letter past several years from those who need help with their family history. I try my best to help them or find someone else who can.

Our sincere sympathy goes to Jo Holdman on the loss of her sister and brother-in-law this past week. Memorial service for these was held Friday at the Merriman Cemetery near Ranger.

Robert Alton Brown, his wife, and children of Dallas visited last Sunday with his parents, Robert and Ima Brown.

Several in our area are still on the sick list. Remember these and the shut-ins with your cards and prayers.

Please contact this reporter with your weekly news. Thanks and have a nice day, Coon.

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# Heritage Manor News

By Nancy Hendricks

The January Birthday Party will be Friday, January 17th at 2:00 p.m. Bea O'Neal is the honoree. Ruth Campbell will entertain. There will be refreshments. Everyone is invited to attend.

Visiting Ollie Halcomb and Dorothy Beaty were David Halcomb of Waxahachie, Johnnie B. Griffith, Tootie Campbell, Howard and Pat Hagood, Diana Snider.

Olin and Margaret Helms guests were Tootie Campbell, Howard and Pat Hagood, and Tootie Campbell.

On Sunday morning, Tootie Campbell of First Baptist Church taught the Sunday School lesson for Mary Lou Landers, Mary Tobin, Bea O'Neal, Gladys Chambless, Lucille Johnson, Inez Rogers, Ollie Halcomb, Hope Joiner, Lavona Sharp, Bro. Darrell Dossey, Veno Hale, A.V. Seay, Ethel Weaver, Margaret Helms, Margie Lane, Patti Whitehorn, Mildred Roberts, Dorothy Beaty, Evelyn Rippetoe, Buddy Winn.

Visiting T.D. and Patti Whitehorn were Sylvia Estes of Carbon, Johnnie B. Griffith, Nancy Hendricks, Tootie Campbell, Howard and Pat Hagood.

Guests visiting Veno Hale and Stella Files were Jimmy and Verna Lee Little, Nell Files of Carbon, Tootie Campbell, Howard and Pat Hagood.

On Sunday afternoon those coming from the First Baptist Church were Rev. Bill and Tootie Campbell, Louise Hall, Gearldine Wright, Charles and Betty Morris. Residents were Lucille Johnson, Lavona Sharp, Dorothy Beaty, Gladys Chambless, Ethel Weaver, Bro. Darrell Dossey, Margie Lane, A.V. Seay, Stella Files, Bea O'Neal, Mildred Roberts, Birdie Hogan, Ethel Weaver, Mary Lou Landers, Mary Tobin, Inez Rogers, Veno Hale, Ollie Halcomb, Hope Joiner.

Visiting Billie Knight were Bro. Bill and Tootie Campbell.

Guests visiting Gladys Dennis, Roy Lee Whitlock and Jewel Snider were Maudie Husband and Bill Moll, bobby and Peggy Ingram of Cisco, Gary Owens of Abilene, Diana Snider, Bill and Tootie Campbell, Ima Brown, Jackie Lou Whitlock and Sue Owens of Desdemona, Howard and Pat Hagood, Ann Warren.

On Monday morning, Ina Smith and Pat Graham had bingo for Veno Hale, Dorothy Beaty, Inez Rogers, Ethel Weaver, Lavona Sharp, A.V. Seay, Darrell Dossey, Patti Whitehorn, Lucille Johnson, Sarah Rodgers, Mary Tobin and Lovena Sherrod.

Some of Ethel Weaver and Inez Rogers guests were Buddy Rogers of Ranger, Cathy and Bobby Yarberry of Ft. Worth, Christine Self of Carbon, Richard and Connie Watson, Lane and Ernestine Campbell, Marjorie Treadway, Nancy Hendricks, Johnnie B. Griffith, Fay and Denzel Aables, Eunice Love, Zena Simpson, Bill and Tootie Campbell.

Visiting Birdie Hogan and Lovena Sherrod were Faye and Bobby Tucker, Kelly Carruth, Mitzi McGaha, Winford and Elnora Lindley of Desdemona, Jimmy and Verna Lee Little, Virgil Miller of Ft. Worth, Elton and Linda Weatherford, Linda Ogle of Granbury, Kalep and Courtney Hanson of Eastland.

On Monday, those coming for singing were Daisy Slaton, Ann Warren, Ruby Lee Kinser, Alpha Mae Andry, Ernestine Campbell, Zeld Jordan, Marjorie Treadway and Nancy Hendricks. Residents were A.V. Seay, Mary Lou Landers, Margie Lane, Darrell Dossey, Inez Rogers, Lovena Sherrod, Roy Lee Whitlock, and Lavona Sharp.

Visiting Hope Joiner were Joyce Bramlett of Stephenville, Billie Jean Grisham of DeLeon, Ennis and Nina

Joiner, Johnnie B. Griffith, Nancy Hendricks, Denese Chapman of Lake Leon.

Jackie Lou Whitlock and Sue Owen of Desdemona came and took Roy Lee Whitlock for an outing to DeLeon and Desdemona.

Visiting Euna Porter were Stanley Porter, Daisy Slaton, E.G. Henderson, Ima Brown, Diana Snider.

Some of Mildred Roberts guests were Rodney Roberts, Tommy Roberts, Bo and Anna Lee Roberts, Doyleena Roberts of Gustine, Diana Snider, Tootie Campbell.

Guests visiting Evelyn Rippetoe and Sara Rodgers were Durward Webb, George Rodgers, Diana Snider.

On Wednesday morning Ennis and Nina Joiner of First Baptist Church brought chapel for Irene Heathington, Gladys Chambless, Lavona Sharp, R.L. Sharp, Veno Hale, Ollie Halcomb, Buddy Winn, Evelyn Rippetoe, Bro. Darrell Dossey, Dorothy Beaty, Buster and Louise Brown, A.V. Seay and Mary Tobin and guests Howard and Pat Hagood.

Buddy Winn and Darrell Dossey guests were Harvey Winn of Carbon, June Dossey, Tracy Spivey, Becky Simpson, David, Janet, Brenna and Seth Dossey of Breckenridge, Richard and Dona Masman of Dallas, Ann Warren, Howard and Pat Hagood.

Visiting A.V. Seay and Vera Henderson were C.G. and Liz Henderson of Abilene, Vicki Seay, Ann Warren, Kelly, Kathey, Jason and Melissa Henderson of Garland, E.G. and Nancy Henderson of Lake Leon, Krista Micheal of Lubbock, Bill and Tootie Campbell, Ima Brown, Howard and Pat Hagood.

On Thursday morning, Ray Blevins had bingo for Veno Hale, Patti Whitehorn, Inez Rogers, Lavona Sharp, Margie Lane, Sara Rodgers, Mary Tobin and Inez Rogers.

Visiting Zadie Terry were Nancy Lawless of DeLeon, Tootie Campbell, Diana Snider, Howard and Pat Hagood.

Guests visiting Mary Tobin were Lita Rana of DeLeon, Nellie Tobin, Tootie Campbell, Howard and Pat Hagood.

Recent guests visiting Bea O'Neal and Gladys Chambless were Joan Miller of Ft. Worth, Eunice Love, Richard, Connie, Rachel, Grace Ann and Jordan Watson, David O'Neal of Houston, Ann Holt of Austin, Gena Rone, Tootie Campbell and Diana Snider.

On Friday, Kathy Torres had bingo for Patti Whitehorn, Veno Hale, Lucille Johnson, Lavona sharp, Lovena Sherrod, Inez Rogers, A.V. Seay, Sara Rodgers, Margie Lane and Mary Tobin.

Mary Williams guests were Irene West, Ima Brown, Denzel and Fay Aables, Zena Simpson, Eunice Love, Durward Webb, Pat and Howard Hagood, Christine Self of Carbon, Tootie Campbell, Ann Warren.

Visiting Margie Lane were Zeld Jordan and Ann Warren.

Guests visiting Muriel Prewitt were Amy Fraley, Durward Webb, Eunice Love, Tootie Campbell, Howard and Pat Hagood.

Happy to announce Irene Heathington is home after a short stay in the Eastland Hospital.

Visiting Clara Mae Frossard were Teresa Gilbert of DeLeon, Linda Graves of Eastland, James and Vicki Campbell of Brownwood, Johnathon Gilbert, Carolyn Gilbert, Bro. Bill and Tootie Campbell, Durward Webb, Larry Stogsdill.

Visiting Buster and Louise Brown were Bonnie Croft of Lake Leon, Bonita Richards of Ft. Worth, Max and Janice Grice, Tisha and Daniel Grice of Stephenville, Dian, Dudley, Ky and Kooper McCarty, Irene West, Bill and Tootie Campbell.

Happy to report Margaret Helms has returned after a few days in the DeLeon Hospital.

Visiting Mary Lou Landers were Don Landers of Springfield, Bill and Tootie Campbell, Howard and Pat Hagood.

Guests visiting R.L. and Lavona Sharp were Jerry Majors and Kelli Williams of Desdemona.

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