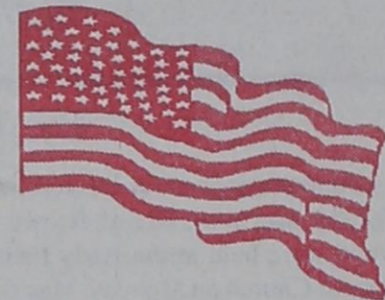


# Gorman Progress



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## Elementary and Junior High Bands Participate At Band Contests

The Gorman Elementary Band competed at the Cisco Jr. College Band Contest and brought home a Sweepstakes trophy. They received a I in Concert and a I in sightreading. This is the second year for them to receive a Sweepstakes trophy. Congratulations and thank you for your hard work and dedication.



First Row: Jerry Earles, Seth Johnson, Valorie Longoria, Lisa Laminack, Lindsey Laminack, Shanna Hair, Clarissa Glasson, Meghan Preston, Tecia Jones, Nicole Cogburn, Esther Cruz, Carrie Thetford, Kelly Moss, Jessica Esquivel, Mayra Mendoza, Matt Underwood, Jimmy Murphy

Second Row: Jessie Rodriguez, Trey Underwood, Rachel Shook, Dezi Murphy, Stormy Hurd, Elizabeth Borrego, Perla Velasquez, Sonia Hipilito, Olivia Jackson, Ashley Gonzales, Emily Lewis, Audrey Johnston, Brittany Van Dusen, Miles, Vann, Sarah Flores, Marcy Gonzales, Brandy Carlton, Reba Granado, Mary Powell, Nancy Velasquez, Mindy Keaton, Veronica Walton, Ashley Burkeen.

Third Row: Colby Spivey, Seth Cochran, Eric Olvera, Matthew Cogburn, Trey Holdman, Marc Gillen, Carlos Gutierrez, Tyson Swanner, Cory Clark, Aaron Keith, John Torres, Kennon Hornback, Brandon Greer, Tony Perez, Christopher Madera, Ashley Bush, Megan Lewis, Kendra Lewis, Ashley Gonzales, Jordan Perry, Martin Ramirez.



These are the elementary band students that competed in Solo and Ensemble Contest at Cisco Jr. College.

First Row: Martin Ramirez, Seth Cochran, Lindsey Laminack, Sarah Flores, Elizabeth, Borrego, Shanna Hair, Clarissa Glasson, Meghan Preston, Tecia Jones, Nicole Cogburn, Carrie Thetford, Seth Johnson

Second Row: Perla Velasquez, Olivia Jackson, Elisa Lobo, Emily Lewis, Sonia Hipilito, Marcy Gonzales, Audrey Johnston, Valorie Longoria, Mary Powell, Brittany Van Dusen, Brandy Carlton, Miles Vann, Reba Granado, Ashley Gonzales, Veronica Walton

Third Row: Colby Spivey, Eric Olvera, Matthew Cogburn, Trey Holdman, Carlos Gutierrez, Tyson Swanner, Cory Clark, Aaron Keith, Kennon Hornback, Brandon Greer, Ashley Bush, Megan Lewis, Kendra Lewis, Jordan Perry, April Keaton.



The Junior High Band competed at the Cisco Jr. College Band Contest and received a II in Concert and a I in Sight reading. The students have worked very hard this year to achieve these ratings. Congratulations and thank you for your dedication.

1st Row: Stephanie Hughes, Jessica Williams, Rosa Herrera, Brittany Shirley, Josh Cox, Kevin Lewis, Christina Garcia.

2nd Row: Esteban Leal, David Wilkins, Armando Giles, Amanda Regian, Sharla Perez, Tiffany Perez, Brenda Olivares, Maria Oronia

3rd Row: Zach Bryan, Reji Sanchez, Andy Abbe, Kaci Seaton, Samantha Regian, Kendra Swanner, Nikki Keith, Jesse Simpson, Nathan Ritter, Kristy Carlton

4th Row: Amanda Brown, Pete Ramirez, Mindy Keaton, Matthew Smith, Kent Long, Krista Brown, HollyAnn Wright, Sandra Lara, K'Ann Howard, Michael Marin, Nora Mendoza



These Junior High students competed in Solo and Ensemble Contest at Cisco Jr. College.

1st Row: Stephanie Hughes, Amanda Regian, Samantha Regian, Rosa Herrera, Maria Oronia, Tiffany Perez, Kristy Carlton

2nd Row: HollyAnn Wright, Sandra Lara, Krista Brown, Charlotte Perez, K'Ann Howard, Michael Marin, Matthew Smith

## Graduation Ceremony

The graduation ceremony for all of the fifth grade students that have participated in the TOGETHER AGAINST DRUGS PROGRAM will be on May 10th in the cafeteria at 2:30 p.m.

The public is invited and encouraged to attend.

Please come and support the Gorman 5th grade.

## High School Awards Banquet Set Tuesday

The annual Gorman High School Awards banquet will be held Tuesday, May 14, 7:00 pm at ZJ's Restaurant. Students will be recognized for their efforts on the athletic field, in UIL Academic Contests, and One Act Play. The coaches of each of these areas will present a variety of awards to the students. Parents and community members are invited to attend.

## Curb and Hampton Win City

### Commission Positions

Riley Curb won the Place 4 on the City Commission with 84 votes. Judy Warren received 15 votes.

Adam Hampton won Place 2 with 63 votes. Robbie Dodd received 36 votes. Donnie Rodgers chose not to seek re-election.

Robert Ervin, Mayor, was unopposed. He received 81 votes.

The Sales Tax of 1/2 of 1% failed. 53 votes were cast against and 34 for.

New Commissioners will be installed on Thursday, May 9th, at 5:00 p.m.

## Meeting Scheduled To Make Plans To Secure State History Marker

A meeting will be held at the Gorman Community Center on Tuesday, May 14th at 7:30 p.m. to make plans to secure an official state historical marker for the site of the old Blackwell Hospital. All interested parties are invited to attend.

## Senior Citizen Dance in DeLeon

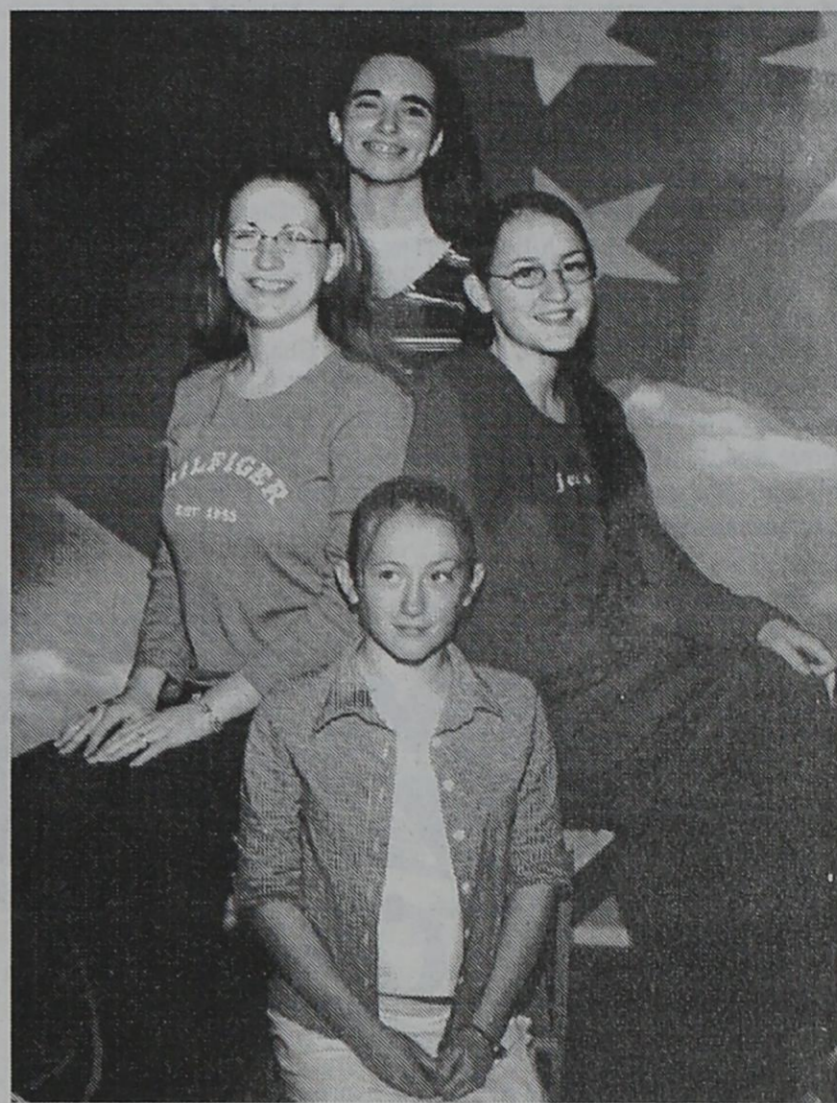
DeLeon to host a Senior Citizen dance this Saturday, May 11th, at the DeLeon City Hall at 7:00 p.m. Traditional country and western music will be provided by the Country Gold Band. Admission will be charged.

## Thank You

The Rock Bluff Cemetery Association thanks each and everyone involved in the first annual clean up. Thank you to the newspaper for helping notify the public to this worth while endeavor. To the people who traveled so far to work and fellowship you are appreciated. The weather was wonderful and the cemetery is improving. Mr. and Mrs. Scott thank you for your thoughtfulness. Restoring the cemetery is an on going effort and a special thank you all for caring.

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DeLeon, Texas 76444  
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## Sarah and Lana Qualify For State Choir



Lana Howard, Sarah Lewis, Lacy Howard and K'Ann Howard competed at the UIL Choir Contest in Brownwood. Lana, Sarah, and K'Ann received **Superior Rating** and Lacy received an **Excellent Rating**. Lana and Sarah qualified to go to State UIL contest at the end of May.

Congratulations to all!

## Football Camps Slated

Gorman will be hosting two football camps this summer. The first one will be our Youth Football Camp which will be for the students entering grades 3 thru 6. The Youth Camp will be July 15th- July 19th from 8:30 a.m. til 12:30 p.m. The second camp will be our Junior Football Camp which will be for students entering grades 7-9. The Junior Camp will be July 22nd-July 26th from 8:30 a.m. til 12:30 p.m.

Coach Coby Tyson and Coach James Gerick will be running the two camps. The cost of each camp is \$25. Each child will receive a t-shirt and a small football or souvenir. These camps will emphasize the fundamentals of the game as well as the basic terminology used in the game. Registration forms will be handed out to the students this week or next week at school to take home for you to fill out and send back with your child. Deadline for registration is May 17th. If you haven't received a form by May 17th and you wish to send your child to our camp please call us at the field house 734-2264.

We are setting a deadline so that we will have an accurate number for those attending our camps in order to make preparations and order the shirts. If interest level is low then we may cancel one or both of the camps.

Hopefully the interest level will be high and we can teach our youth some football and instill a love for the game that will carry with them through life. If you have any questions please call the field house at 734-2264.

## ITEMS OF INTEREST

**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 At First United Methodist Church

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. Larry Majors, Worshipful Master — Pat Moseley, Secretary.

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

**BLOOD PRESSURE CHECKS** — Blood Pressure Checks by Heritage Manor of Gorman. Every week 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. - 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 1126 CR389, 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 - MAY 15TH FROM 9 - 12 NOON.**



# Obituaries

## Dr. Joseph McClain Laid to Rest

Funeral services for Dr. Joseph Tolbert McClain, 82, of Brownwood were held at the Early First Baptist Church on Monday, May 6, 2002. Interment followed in the Eastlawn Memorial Park, Early, Texas.

Dr. McClain was born in Oklahoma City, OK to Christian Ray and Eula McClain on May 27, 1919.

He received a Bachelor of Arts degree from Oklahoma Baptist

University and earned a Masters and Doctorate in Theology from Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary in 1940 and 1947 respectively. Dr. McClain was an active Southern Baptist minister serving several churches across the nation. These include Riverside Baptist Church, Riverside, Texas; First Baptist Church, Seagraves, Texas; Maywood Baptist Church, Independence, MO; First Baptist

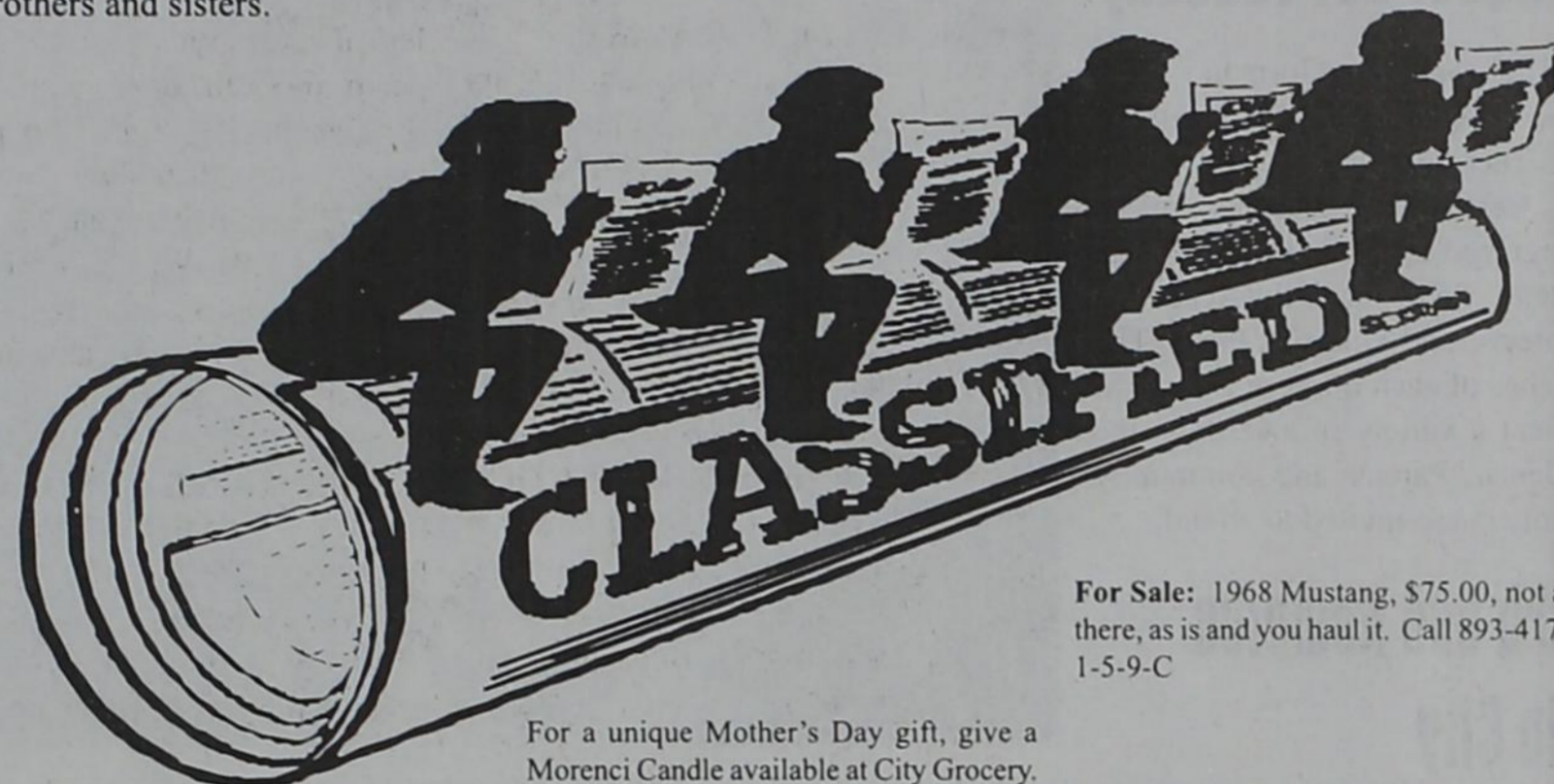
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## Services Held for Ruth E. Bryant

Ruth Elizabeth Bryant, age 91, passed away Monday, May 6, 2002 at the Heritage Manor Nursing Home in Gorman. Services were Tuesday at the Higginbotham Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. Clarence Wilson officiating. Burial was at the Simpson Cemetery.

Mrs. Bryant was born January 31, 1911 in Eastland County. She married Hoyt Bryant on July 7, 1931 in Gorman. He preceded her in death in April 1984. She was a homemaker and a member of the Church of God.

Survivors include son and daughter-in-law Charles and Patsy Bryant of Novice; son and daughter-in-law Larry and Martha Bryant of Gorman; Daughter and son-in-law Joan and Roy Foster of DeLeon; sister, Purnia Spaulding of Cisco; ten grandchildren and fifteen great grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents, one son, and nine brothers and sisters.



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8. How do seedless grapes reproduce?
7. Why do psychics have to ask your credit card number?
6. Why did You create fire ants?
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## Gorman Cemeteries Now on Web

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This address takes you to the cemeteries in Eastland Co. Just click on the cemetery.

Midwestern Seminary in Kansas City and founded the Bible Chair at Texas Tech University. Dr. McClain was also friend, mentor and occasional interim pastor for many churches both in Texas and across the nation even after his retirement from Howard Payne in 1984. Many students throughout the long years of his service were touched by his wisdom, encouragement and experience.

His passing is mourned by his wife of over 60 years, Cleo Cornett McClain, and a large family including his children, Joseph McClain of Austin, Duke McClain of Granbury, Bill McClain of Brownwood, Darla Fletcher of Brownwood and Ray Mc Clain of Arlington; his brothers and sisters, Myrtle Wieneke of Claremore, OK, Curtis McClain of St. Louis, MO and Ross McClain of Oklahoma City, OK. A New family generation of grandchildren and great grandchildren will greatly miss his warm affection.

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Charles Stenholm - (D)  
(Incumbent)

## What's The Best Thing About May???

If you're Kalyn Porter then it is the second weekend in May at the State Track Meeting Austin. Well, at least that is what Coach Sowell and myself hope is the way she answers.

Kalyn will be making her second trip to the State Meet this Thursday to compete against the other Top 7 1-A girls in the Discus. Porter is only a sophomore, and placed 2nd last year as a freshman.

For those who have never been, the State Track and Field Meet is most prestigious meet in high school athlete can participate in. While football state championships are played at different site, boys and girls state basketball tournaments are played on separate weekends, the State Track and Field Meet brings all classes 1A-5A boys and girls together for 2 days of events at the same site.

Porter has been working towards this goal very hard with her throwing coach (Coach Amanda Sowell). She has spent hours, days and weeks in the weight room preparing, all the while with me telling her the weight is not heavy enough, we need to get in more weight stations, and to just to stop complaining about lifting. She has had to deal with the old coaching theory that whatever we are doing is working, but we can always do more. She has handled the physical and mental pressure of her work-outs very well.

Kalyn has joined an outstanding group of high school athletes by winning the silver medal her freshman year and qualifying again as a sophomore. She has an opportunity though to become an amazing few if she can qualify all four years, win a gold if not once but the remaining three years in Discus, and has the potential to qualify for state in both the shot put and discus. With the pressure from her coaches, and her drive to succeed, these are very obtainable goals.

Porter will compete this Friday at 3 p.m. at Mike Meyers Stadium in Austin. Please come show your support.

As the Head Girls Track Coach, I would like to thank all the Lady Panther Track Athletes on a great season: Casandra Grumbles, Ashlee Hornback, Kim Ibarra, Dana Longoria, Amanda Hair, Andrea Files, Kalyn Porter, Jamie Maupin, and Coach Sowell. These ladies' hard work and determination, and loyalty to our program have helped us reach our individual and team goals this year. The hard work and success of those ladies listed above will be the foundation and base for promoting the younger athletes to join our great program and in the future success of our program.

Once again, thank you very much for a great season and the privilege of being your coach.  
s/ Coach White

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# Athletic Director Report

By A.D. Coby Tyson

The athletic front is slowing down and will actually be completed this weekend at the state track meet in Austin. I have been out with my knee surgery as well as some other things so I apologize for missing a couple of weeks on the A.D. Report. I appreciate all of the concerns those of you have shown over my surgery. I would like to thank the Methodist Church and members for the special card that they sent as well as the Hagoods and all of the faculty at Gorman ISD. It is nice to be thought of in a time of difficulty. I am moving around a little right now and I hope to be at full go by two-a-days.

Our baseball team will have wrapped up its season against Ranger at Ranger this past Tuesday. Our softball team ended its season losing a play-off game at the hands of Brock. Brock was last year's state champion and looks to contend for a repeat of that this year. Congratulations goes out to our girls though for finishing as district runner-up and qualifying for the state play-offs. Hopefully this gives us something to build on for the future in all our sports.

Brian Hunt and Kayln Porter participated in the Regional track meet weekend before last and faired well. Brian finished third in the shot put and qualified as an alternate for the state meet in Austin. Kayln finished second in the discus and qualified to compete at the state meet in Austin. She will throw at 3:00 p.m. on Friday. Good luck to her and her coaches!

Gorman HS will be hosting the Academic/Athletic Awards Banquet on May 14th at ZJ's Steakhouse. I hope we will have a good turnout for this Banquet to honor our students that sacrifice their time and efforts to participate in our extra-curricular programs. If you need more information on this there is a separate article on this in this issue or in next weeks issue.

The Athletic department is having a fund-raiser called a Lift-a-thon. The athletes have been given pledge sheets and are supposed to be collecting pledges at this time. If you wish to make a pledge (which is so many cents per pound that they test out at on the bench press) and no athlete has ask you, then you may ask an athlete if you see one or call the field house and inform Coach Gerick, White, or Tyson. The money is being used to purchase travel shirts for both the boys and girls' programs for next school year. Any additional money will be used for other projects that will benefit all sports and both boys and girls. Pledges are due by Thursday May 9th and we will test that day during our athletic periods. You are welcome to come watch if you wish to do so. Soon after that our athletes will be coming by to collect on their pledges. Claude HS raised over 20,000 dollars the first year they did a lift-a-thon. Thorndale HS consistently makes 7,000 dollars each year. At Pettus HS we made right at an average of 3,000 dollars each year. We hope this is a success for our athletic program. Coach White does have a deal with the girls to encourage them to make money. If the girls raise more money that the boys do, then Coach White will run through town in a cheerleading uniform. That would be interesting to see and film for future use. Please support our athletic program by making a pledge to one of our athletes.

Some time this week or early next week we will be handing registration forms out to students in grades 2-8 (they will be those entering grades 3-9 for next school year). These registration forms are for the different camps that we will be hosting this summer. The dates and times of the camps are on the forms. Also understand that the age groups are based on the grade they will be entering next year. For example our Football camps will be July 15-19th from 8:30-12:30 for those entering grades 3-6th, and July 22nd-July 26th from 8:30-12:30 for those entering grades 7-9th. The forms will explain the camps and cost of the camps. If you have questions after receiving the forms from your child you may call the field house at 734-2264. If you fail to receive a form but want your child to attend some camps this summer then feel free to call the field house or come by for a form. Deadline for registration for the basketball and football camps will be May 17th.

# Lady Panther Softball

The Lady Panthers softball season came to an end on Tuesday, April 30th. The Lady Panthers battled the defending state champion, Brock-Lady Eagles, losing 7-0. The game however did not reflect the score in my opinion. The Lady Panthers were not intimidated by Brock one bit and as a whole played a better game than Brock. The girls never gave up and fought till the bitter end. The Lady Panthers out hit Brock 4 to 2 but the occasional error and walk led to 5 unearned runs for the Lady Eagles which put the margin of victory at 7. I was pleased with the girls efforts. As a team, we naturally felt we could have hit and fielded the ball better. The most promising thing from the game is that the girls played all 7 innings with an exceptional team which bodes well for the Lady Panthers next season.

In previous action, the Lady Panthers lost a close game against Santo. The girls were ready and motivated to go and secure the victory. However, Santo regained momentum late in the game and eventually came back to win the game 15-14. It was just one of those things that happen in softball and a good learning experience for the girls, which was evident when they faced off against Brock. Defensively, timely errors allowed Santo to score 9 unearned runs while the Lady Panthers out hit Santo 24 to 10. Offensively, Jamie Maupin and Lydia Royster combined for 3 homeruns and 7 RBI's. Tana Goode put down three exceptional bunts and scored 4 runs. Ashlee Hornback, Kendra Bailey, Shari Marlow, Mandy Warren, Shari Marlow, and Casondra Grumbles each contributed with multiple hits.

Throughout the season the girls and myself have received a ton of support from parents, friends, and businesses. I would like to thank the City Grocery and Seaton Mills for donating the trophies to the Lady Panther Softball Tournament. I wish to thank all the parents for attending all the games home and away and supporting their daughters as well as the fantastic send off you organized for the bi-district game. I know it means a lot the girls and to myself. I am looking forward to next year and pushing on a little farther than in past years. Thank You

Coach Waller

# Kokomo News

By Zelda Jordan

Rain fell in the community as thunderstorms rolled through early on Thursday morning and Sunday morning. The total in my gauge for both days was 4.3 inches. I've heard reports of a little less and a little more in places throughout the community. I also heard reports of a little bit of small hail round about. If it hailed at my house I didn't know it.

The revival at the Kokomo Baptist Church will continue through Thursday night, May 9. If you haven't attended you have certainly missed a wonderful blessing. We have truly been blessed by the wonderful messages preached from God's Word by Bro. Jim Haggard. And by the congregational singing led by Daryl Hirst with Ruby Lee Kinsler at the piano and Glynda Bond at the organ, and by the special music that has been presented by Daryl, the Kokomo Church Choir and Bro. Bill and Tootie Campbell of Gorman. There will be other special music presented at each service throughout the week. Services are at 7:00 p. m. each evening. There have many visitors from throughout the area and we invite you all to come anytime to worship with us.

There was a wonderful time of fellowship as we enjoyed lunch together following the Sunday morning service.

Jimmy and Verna Lee Little, Ray Neal and Melissa Little and Delores Tankersley of Eastland were among those attending the Grand March of the Eastland High School Seniors and their dates before the Senior Prom on Saturday night. They also got to see the films shown of the seniors during their younger years. Ray Neal and Melissa's daughter, Emily Little is a senior. She is a granddaughter of The Jimmy Littles and Delores Tankersley. Following the program they had dinner at Pulido's in Eastland.

Emily Little has also been named Student of the Month at Eastland High School. Our Congratulations to her.

Our community has been saddened to learn of the death of Ruth (Mrs. Hoyt) Bryant early on Monday morning, May 6. Ruth was a good friend and neighbor and will be missed. She had been in the nursing home at Gorman for the past several months. Her husband Hoyt preceded her in death. She is survived by two sons, Charles and Larry and a daughter, Joan and several grandchildren and great-grandchildren. We extend sincere sympathy to her family.

Our sympathy is also extended to the family of Sam Collins of Eastland who passed away on Monday, May 6. He was the uncle of Carolyn Little and Mary Donham of our community.

Those visiting with LaVon Snider this week were: Dan Snider, Dwayne and Connie Snider of Stephenville, Carole Rae Ervin of Desdemona, Belinda and Daniella Segura and Ted Snider.

Those visiting with Nancy Hendricks were: Kay and Gene Snider, Gloria Murphy, Charlie and Jonell Torrez, Ike Torrez, Johnnie B. Griffith, Doris Bradshaw, Sylvia Buchanan, and Zelda Jordan.

Kay Foster of Freer visited with Zelda Jordan on Saturday afternoon after the Cemetery meeting and Homecoming at Kokomo and obtained a lot of family information from the Eastland County History Book that was published in 1989. Kay is the daughter of the late W. E. McDonald and Doris Winsauer McDonald, and was here doing research on the McDonald family and the Ealey McDonald and Mary Ollie Earnest McDonald family and the Ealey A. McDonald and Nancy M Timmons family. She also enjoyed visiting with Wayne Eaves and his sisters, Mary Webb and Linda Lorraine who lived on the McDonald farm for many years during their growing up years at Kokomo and with Ima Timmons Brown. If anyone has a copy of the Eastland County History Book that they would like to sell, please contact Zelda Jordan, at 254-639-2289 and I will pass the information on to Kay.

I would like to extend sincere sympathy to dear friends of mine, Kenneth, Linda and William Whitley of De Leon on behalf of the death of their dear aunt, Ouida Stringer of Palestine who passed away early Thursday morning, May 2. Mrs. Stringer had made her home with the Whitleys for about two years before moving back to Palestine just recently and entering a nursing home there.

## HOMEcoming AND CEMETERY MEETING AT KOKOMO

The clouds lifted and the weather was nice as folks gathered at the Simpson Cemetery to visit the graves of loved ones and friends buried there and for the annual meeting of the Kokomo-Simpson Cemetery Association on Saturday, May 4, 2002. Though the crowd was smaller than in some past years everyone had a good time visiting and then gathering at the tabernacle for the business meeting.

Delmon Eaves, Chairman of the Association Committee, called the meeting to order at 11:00 A. M. and led the opening prayer and welcomed everyone. The minutes of the last meeting were read by the secretary, Zelda Jordan and approved as read. Norma Webb gave the financial report and it was approved as given.

Delmon Eaves, who had been caretaker of the cemeteries at Kokomo for many years, had resigned effective at the annual meeting. He announced that Darrell and Renae Carlton of Carbon had been hired to be the care-

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takers for the coming year and hopefully for many years to come.

The terms of committee persons, Bryan Lee Johnson and Zelda Jordan were expiring this year and they were reelected to another three year term each. J. C. Donaldson of Eastland was elected as a lifetime trustee to fill the vacancy left by the death of trustee, Bill Eaves last year.

Following the business meeting it was time to gather at the Kokomo Community Center for the noon lunch and more visiting as we filled our plates from the tables filled with delicious food. Larry Strube asked the blessing on the food.

Those who registered either at the Cemetery or the Community Center were: Kay McDonald Foster of Freer, Shorty Treadway of Eastland, Pat and Patsy Collins of Eastland, Norma Webb of Kokomo, Zelda Jordan of Kokomo, Jerry Shugart of Gor-

man, Edgar Reynolds, of Gorman, Billy J. McFall of Houston, Nolan L. Treadway and Ernie Karianie, Jr. both of Snyder, Mary Webb, Cisco, Linda Lorance, Carbon, Leamon Cox, Carbon, Larry and Betty Strube, Kokomo, Ken and Mary Rogers, Eastland, George Elbert and Cora Lee Bennett, Gorman, Mary Norris Robinson, Stephenville, Virda Mae Norris, Fort Worth, Mattie Norris, Fort Worth, Bryan and Jolene Johnson, Eastland, Wayne Eaves and Loren Eaves, Desdemona, Nancy Hendricks, Kokomo, Darrell and Pat Graham, Gorman, Sylvia Buchanan, Kokomo, Wanda Donaldson Bryant, Carbon, Phyllis Wright, Eastland, Ima Brown, Gorman, Jake Donaldson, Eastland, Blanton and Ella Clearman, Lamesa, Ricki and Charm Trotter and Bessie M. Holliday of Walnut Springs, Vance Laminack, Fort Worth and Delmon Eaves of Kokomo.

## Thank You

The family of Gene L. Hogan, Sr. wishes to extend our deepest heartfelt appreciation for the many kind deeds and expressions of sympathy during our time of sorrow.

A special thank you to our Gorman Family Bible Church and Bro. Lloyd Williams, Ray Daniels and the wonderful folks at Higginbotham Funeral Home, the Gorman First Responders and the employees of Birdsong Peanuts. Thank you to all those who lifted us up with the prayers, food, kind deeds and expressions of love and sympathy. We will always keep you in our hearts.

*Think where man's glory most begins and ends.*

*And say my glory was I had such friends.*

William Butler Yeats

Frankie Joe Hogan  
Gene L. Hogan, Jr.  
Fabian and Erica Hogan Garcia and family

## Police Report

April 2002

There were 15 arrests made this month for the following: 7--warrants, 1--DUI, 1--PI, 5--poss. control sub., 1--poss. marijuana.

There were 63 citations written this month covering 10 violations as follows: 46--speeding, 1--exp. inspection, 1--P.I., 1--DUI, 7--no seat belt, 2--class C assault, 1--no D.L., 1--wrong way street, 1--exp. registration, 1--no liability insurance, 32--warning citations.

There were 28 investigatable offenses reported.

There were 33 other contacts made with the public, where investigations, information or assistance was required. Animal calls--13, Unattended death--1, Medical emergencies--2, Welfare checks--1, Accidents--3, Funeral escorts--5, Disturbances--8, Locked vehicle--1, Emergency messages--1.

## AG TALK

By Charlie Stenholm  
May 2, 2002

### House Completes Action on 2002 Farm Bill

On Thursday, May 2, the House of Representatives completed action on the 2002 Farm Bill, clearing the way for a final vote by the Senate and a signature by the president. All indications are that the president will sign the Farm Bill once the Senate has approved it.

The official title of the Farm Bill is the Farm Security and Rural Investment Act of 2002. This is a six-year farm bill that expires in 2008, replacing the so-called Freedom to Farm Act of 1996. While it is not a perfect bill, I believe it will be good for Texas and the Nation.

First and foremost, this Farm Bill provides for a strong safety net for our agricultural producers. The bill retains the flexibility in production and reliability of decoupled assistance that were provided for in the 1996 Freedom to Farm Act.

Above and beyond that, the counter-cyclical payments it provides to program crop producers will mean that Congress will not need to provide additional income support when prices are in decline. Marketing loan tools will continue to be available to program crop producers.

As a result of the new Farm Bill, total agriculture spending will be increased by about \$7.4 billion a year, an increase of 70 percent. Specifically, crop subsidy spending is increased by about \$4.8 billion per year. The new Farm Bill provides for an 80 percent increase in spending on farm conservation programs. At the insistence of the Senate, this Farm Bill includes a new conservation program, the so-called Conservation Security Program (CSP). The Senate believes this program will encourage farmers to adopt better conservation and environmental practices.

There was much talk about a Senate provision to ban packer ownership of livestock 14 days prior to slaughter, however this provision was eliminated during the House and Senate Farm Bill conference.

This is not to say that this issue has been completely resolved, however. I wouldn't be surprised if Congress pursues further action to address what some folks see as predatory actions on the part of the meat packing industry.

Unfortunately, the final bill also includes a "country-of-origin" labeling section to require that meat, fish and produce be labeled with the country of origin. The original House bill had included a labeling requirement on fresh fruits and vegetables only. A number of us in the House had strong reservations about country-of-origin labeling and the burden it would impose on the nation's food industry.

While country-of-origin labeling might sound good to some folks, I am concerned about the impact that such reporting requirements will have on our food processors. The last thing our food industry needs is more regulation and paperwork, the costs of which will ultimately be passed on to the consumer in higher prices.

The labeling provision will be voluntary for the first two years and mandatory thereafter. Let me say, however, that this is another issue that the House Agriculture Committee will be carefully looking at in the very near future.

On the subject of peanuts, the new Farm Bill provides a quota buyout of 11 cents a pound per year over 5 years (55 cents total), and provides a target price of \$495 per ton. In addition, the farm bill allows for the payment of storage costs for peanuts under loan and provides a \$355 per ton loan rate and a \$36 per ton fixed payment rate.

Wool and mohair will receive marketing loans or loan deficiency payments based on a loan rate of \$1.00 per pound for graded wool, \$.40 per pound for non-graded wool, \$.40 per pound for mohair, and \$.40 per pound for unshorn pelts.

The dairy industry will end up with a national counter-cyclical program that would trigger direct payments to dairy producers when the Boston Class I milk price falls below \$16.94 per cwt of milk.

On the subject of payment limits, the Senate had originally wanted a cap of \$275,000 per year, however the House and Senate conferees ultimately settled on an annual limit of \$360,000 per year. These payment limits will not apply to 2002 crops. The new law also makes unlimited use of generic certificates for marketing loan gains.

Regarding the timing of this farm bill, it has been my goal all along that an agreement could be reached in time for the 2002 crop year. USDA officials have indicated that it could take at least four months to implement certain portions of this measure.

Once the Farm Bill is signed into law, Agriculture Secretary Veneman said this week that farmers should not expect to see any money from the Farm Bill until autumn. She noted that last year USDA issued supplemental AMTA (Agricultural Market Transition Act) checks in August, but that farmers should not anticipate that schedule this year.

As I have mentioned in the past, the original House Farm Bill was 379 pages, while the Senate bill was 1,333 pages in length.

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Congressman Stenholm represents the 17th District of Texas in the U.S. House of Representatives and is the Ranking Member of the House Committee on Agriculture.

## 10th Annual Letter Carriers' Food Drive Aims to Stamp Out Hunger! In Your Community

### STAMP OUT HUNGER MAY 11

The National Association of Letter Carriers, in conjunction with The United States Postal Service, will be collecting non-perishable food items like canned soup, juice, pasta, vegetables, cereal and rice on Saturday, May 11, to help families in need in our community.

You can help by placing your food donation at your mailbox on May 11 before your letter carrier arrives. Your carrier will take it to the Post Office, and it will then be delivered to a local food bank or pantry. Please do not include any glass or perishable items.



Saturday, May 11, will mark the 10th annual Stamp Out Hunger! food drive of the National Association of Letter Carriers (NALC). The nation's largest one-day food drive has collected more than 460 million pounds of food, delivering meaningful parcels each year to those in need. Campbell Soup Company is donating 1 million pounds of food to kick off the 2002 initiative. The nation's letter carriers will go door to door seeking donations from generous Americans, and Post Office Rural Carriers will pickup donations left at rural boxes.

To help Stamp out Hunger! simply leave a sturdy bag containing non-perishable foods like canned soup, canned vegetables, pasta, rice or cereal, next to your mailbox before the time of regular mail delivery. The nation's 250,000 letter carriers will do the rest--collecting the donations and delivering them to food banks and pantries in their local communities.

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Nature, scope, and major elements of the job consist of furnishing and installing air blowers, piping and miscellaneous components of an air scour system, under-drains, filter media, valves and associated electrical power and control for under-drain modifications to the #1 and #2 filters at the water treatment plant.

The CONTRACT DOCUMENTS may be examined at the General Office of Upper Leon River Municipal Water District or the Office of the Engineer: RMT, Inc., (912 Capital of Texas Highway South, Suite 300, Austin, Texas 78746).

Copies of the CONTRACT DOCUMENTS may be obtained at the office of the Engineer located at the address noted above upon payment of \$30.00 for each set. Any BIDDER, upon returning the CONTRACT DOCUMENTS promptly and in good condition, will be refunded the payment, and any non-bidder upon so returning the CONTRACT DOCUMENTS will be refunded \$ 0.00.

A Cashier's Check, Certified Check or acceptable Bidder's Bond, payable to the Upper Leon River Municipal Water District, in an amount not less than two (2) percent of the Bid submitted, must accompany each bid as a guarantee that, if awarded the Contract, the Bidder will, within 10 days from the date when the notice of award is delivered to the bidder, enter into a contract and execute bonds on the forms provided in the Contract Documents. The Owner reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to waive any and all formalities in bidding. The Owner reserves the right to determine which bids are lowest and best, and to award the Contract on this basis. Following the bid opening, submitted bids may not be withdrawn for a period of 60 days.

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We Texans love to reflect on our rich heritage and San Jacinto Day is no exception. The official state of Texas celebration takes place at the San Jacinto Battleground State Historical Park. This year, thousands of Texans attended the festivities, which included a reenactment of the battle and a reading of General Sam Houston's account of the events by his great-grandson, Sam Houston IV. Visitors from around the state and country gathered for the celebration, but some of the most special guests did not travel by land—they came by sea on the USS San Jacinto.

I was pleased that the United States Navy accepted my invitation to take part in this year's San Jacinto Day celebration. In April, the USS San Jacinto docked in the Houston Ship Channel in honor of the 166th anniversary of the battle.

The Navy christens its battleships with the names of important historical figures, heroes and key American battles. The USS San Jacinto, the third ship in the Navy to bear the name of this important battle, pays homage to the rich legacy of Texas while serving as a beacon of American military might.

The first ship to carry the name of the battle was an early experimental, propeller-driven warship, commissioned in 1851. The second was a light aircraft carrier that saw extensive combat in the Pacific during World War II. The current USS San Jacinto, an Aegis cruiser, was commissioned on January 23, 1988, in Houston by Vice President Bush. The ship's motto, "Victory is Certain," is a quotation from General Sam Houston's speech to his outnumbered men before the battle.

The ship has docked at the Port of Houston four times previously, but this year's arrival marked the first time the visit has coincided with the annual San Jacinto Day festivities. The highlight of the program was a re-enlistment ceremony for 10 crew members conducted by Captain John MacKercher Jr. on the steps of the San Jacinto Monument.

Since its commissioning, the USS San Jacinto has served our country with distinction—the ship is equipped with the most advanced naval weapons system in the world. Aegis, a computerized, quick reaction air defense system, provides extraordinary capabilities against attacking aircraft and missiles.

Texans are justifiably proud of the heritage of the USS San Jacinto, her strong ties to the state and the dedication of the crew members who serve daily in harm's way. As our nation is once again at war to defend freedom and democracy, we share an even deeper appreciation for the men and women of the USS San Jacinto and the entire United States Military.

Texans will forever celebrate the great struggles for independence that mark our state's history. Those battles paved the way for the freedoms we enjoy today and the USS San Jacinto and her crew help keep that rich history alive.

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# DESDEMONA NEWS

BY VONNIE GUTHERY

The First Baptist Church of Desdemona enjoyed Bro. Paul Corneilus as the guest speaker for the morning service last Sunday. Bro. Marvin Toler of Stephenville was the guest speaker for the evening service. Bro. Dewayne Brawner, Pastor and the members would like to invite you to attend each service.

Bro. Dewayne Brawner and wife, Patty, and their children, Christina, Andrew and Abigail enjoyed a short vacation this past week visiting with family and friends. Albert Holdman visited a few days this past week in Sundown with his son, Davis and Lori Holdman and children, Shelby and Troy.

Ann Vardeman of Tomball visited the past weekend with her father, Albert Holdman. Evelyn Yardley reports that her husband, W.T. is feeling better and slowly improving from recent heart bypass surgery.

Ruth (Williams) Koonce Daffron (Class of 1941) had four bypass heart surgery on Wednesday, May 1st at the Regional Hospital in Abilene.

Larry Majors had five bypass heart surgery on Tuesday, April 30, at the Hendricks Hospital in Abilene.

Jim Craig of Deer Park had a five bypass heart surgery on Wednesday, May 1st in a Houston hospital. Jim is a former resident of Desdemona where he attended school with this reporter, his brothers and sisters—J.T. Craig (Class of 1940) of Phoenix, Arizona, Bill Craig, Jr. (Class of 1942) of Comanche, Geraldine (Gerrie Craig) Zummer (Class of 1944) of Carbon, Maxine (Craig) Lawless (Class of 1946) of DeLeon, Jack Craig (Class of 1948) of Ft. Worth, Helen (Craig) Spellman (Class of 1949) of Denver, Colorado, Jim Craig (Class of 1951) of Deer Park, Mary Sue (Craig) Garza of Houston, Doris (Craig) Whitley of Granbury, Vera (Craig) Love of San Antonio, and Doug Craig of Desdemona.

Remember these friends that are on the sick list in our community and others who are recovering from recent surgery, those who are taking treatments, and those who are in the local rest homes with your cards and prayers.

Robert Ficklen of Dallas visited this past weekend in Desdemona with his mother, Mary Alice (Brown) Ficklen.

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

# Heritage Manor News

By Nancy Hendricks

05/06/2002  
Hi Folks,

May is going to be a very busy month for us here at Heritage Manor. We have National Nurse's Week this week (May 6-12th) and National Nursing Home Week May 12-18th. Please come by the nursing home this week and next week and let our nurses and residents know how much you appreciate them. We are also in the middle of more improvements to our building. We have had some concrete work completed this past week and will be continuing to make improvements to our building over the next couple of months. Please excuse our mess during this time and feel free to come by and see the improvements to our facility. Hope to see you soon!

Sincerely,  
Brent

The May Birthday Party will be Friday, May 17 at 2:00 p.m. Honorees are A.V. Seay, Louise Brown, Inez Rogers, Buster Brown, and Dorothy Beaty. Ruth Campbell will entertain.

On Sunday morning, James Miears and Tootie Campbell of First Baptist Church came and taught the Sunday School lesson for Modess Self, Roy Lee Whitlock, Dorothy Beaty, Buddy Winn, Hallie Clark, Lovena Sherrod, A.V. Seay, Irene Heathington, Veno Hale, Inez Rogers, Buster and Louise Brown, Lavona Sharp, Ethel Weaver, Patti Whitehorn, and Edith Phillips.

Visiting T.D. and Patti Whitehorn were Marie Cook and Sylvia Estes of Carbon, Nannie Kennedy of DeLeon, Howard and Pat Haggood, Mayvis Lasater, Diana Snider, Eunice Love.

Guests visiting A.V. Seay and Vera Henderson were E.G. and Nancy Henderson of Lake Leon, Chester Henderson of Abilene, Tootie Campbell, Ima Brown, Diana Snider, Nancy Hendricks, Ann Warren.

On Sunday afternoon, those

coming from the Church of Christ Rogers, Lovena Sherrod, Mary Wil-were Larry Stagstill, Gene Foster, liams, A.V. Seay and Roy Lee Billy Self, Zena Simpson and Eunice Love. Residents were Inez  
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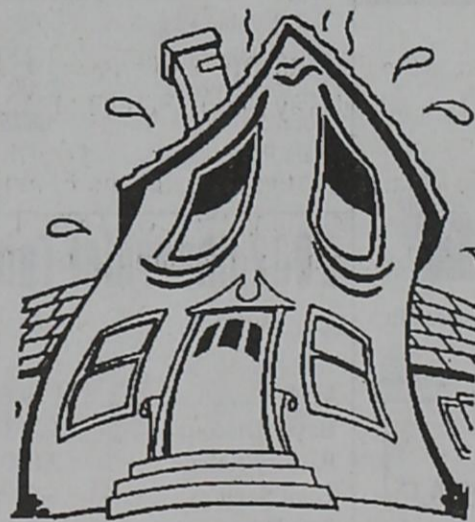
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Whitlock.

Guests visiting Jewel Snider and Roy Lee Whitlock were Jackie Whitlock and Sue Owens of DeLeon, Voncia Snider of Rose Bud, AK, Colleen Lamb, Hazel Campbell of Carbon, Gary Owens of Thurber, Bobby and Peggy Ingram of Cisco, DeLinda Butler, Deana Snider, Eunice Love, Howard and Pat Hagood, Glenn Glasson.

Visiting Olan and Margaret Helms were Tootie Campbell, Howard and Pat Hagood.

On Monday, Karen Guthery gave Lavona Sharp a new permanent.

Some of Ethel Weaver and Inez Rogers guests were Frank and Joan Moore of Lake Proctor, Eugene Morris, Angela Skaggs, Reyna Griffith of DeLeon, Donnie Mathison and Marie Cook of Carbon, Ann Warren, Mayvis Lasaster, Eunice Love, Glen Glasson, Brenda Boyd, Sherri Hair, Lane and Ernestine Campbell, Joy Rogers, Nancy Hendricks, Marjorie Treadway.

Visiting Bobbie Jo Barnett were Orvil Barnett, Georgia Fae Skaggs, Jane Larch of Dallas, Kay Lynn Lasater of Eastland, Larry and Colene Barnett of Wylie, Donnie Mathison of Carbon, Brad, Treva and Jacob Keith of Mineral Wells, Pam Barnett Wheat of Weatherford, Howard and Pat Hagood, Mayvis Lasater, Nancy Hendricks.

Happy to report Gladys Chambless is back from the DeLeon Hospital.

Visiting Hope Joiner were Johnnie B. Griffith, Lucille Joiner of Stephenville, Mayvis Lasater, Eunice Love, Howard and Pat Hagood, Billie Jean Grisham of DeLeon, Donald Lee Joiner, Diana Snider, Anita Joiner, Mark Molden, Sam Molden, Karen Molden, Kathleen Joiner of Houston, Larry and Martha Bryant, Ennis and Nina Joiner, Ima Brown, Nancy Hendricks.

Visiting Bea O'Neal were Glenn Glasson, Mayvis Lasater, Eunice Love, Howard and Pat Hagood.

Ina Smith and Pat Graham had bingo on Friday for Veno Hale, Mildred Bellows, Lavona Sharp, R.L. Sharp, Dorothy Beaty, Patti Whitehorn, Zaidie Terry and A.V. Seay.

Some of Clifton Jarrett guests were Rita Hall of Kerrville, Kay Watson, Bill Johnson, Mark Watson, Donnie Mathison of Carbon, Glenn Glasson.

Visiting Veno Hale and Stella Files were Ann Warren, Jimmy and Verna Lee Little, Eunice Love, Howard and Pat Hagood, Wiley and Margie McCollum of El Paso.

On Monday morning Ina Smith and Pat Graham had bingo for Veno

Hale, Inez Rogers, Mildred Bellows, Clifton Jarrett, Lavona Sherrod, A.V. Seay, Patti Whitehorn, Ethel Weaver, Zaidie Terry and Lavona Sharp.

Visiting Buster and Louise Brown were Bonnie Croft of Lake Leon, Janice Grice, Trisha and Daniel Grice of Stephenville, Kenneth Good, Glenn Glasson, Mayvis Lasater, Eunice Love, Nancy Hendricks.

Visiting Zaidie Terry were Nancy Lawless of DeLeon, Eunice Love, Mayvis Lasater, Howard and Pat Hagood.

On Monday afternoon those coming for the singing were Ernestine Campbell, Marjorie Treadway, Ann Warren, Brenda Boyd, Sherri Hair, and Nancy Hendricks. Ina Smith gave the Volunteers an 'Appreciation' gift from the home. Residents present were A.V. Seay, Hope Joiner, Olin and Margaret Helms, Clifton Jarrett, Inez Rogers, Lavona Sherrod, Patti Whitehorn, Roy Lee Whitlock.

Visiting Ollie Halcomb and Dorothy Beaty were Ann Warren, David and Denna Halcomb, Howard and Pat Hagood, Eunice Love, Mayvis Lasater.

Visiting Muriel Prewitt were Durward Webb, Eunice Love, Mayvis Lasater, Howard and Pat Hagood.

On Tuesday morning Betty Duke of Desdemona came played the electric keyboard and led singing for Veno Hale, Mary Williams, A.V. Seay, Hope Joiner, Margaret Helms, Roy Lee Whitlock, Stella Files, Dorothy Beaty, Mildred Bellows, Ollie Halcomb, Clifton Jarrett, Modess Self, Inez Rogers and Olin Helms.

Visiting Ed Johnson and Buddy Winn were Harvey Winn of Carbon, Fay Johnson, Howard and Pat Hagood, Eunice Love.

Guests visiting Modess Self and Irene Heathington were Dave and Laneta Freeman, Ken and Betty Sue Heathington, Christine Self of Carbon, Howard and Pat Hagood, Eunice Love, Mayvis Lasater.

On Wednesday morning Rev. Bill and Tootie Campbell of First Baptist Church brought chapel for A.V. Seay, Mildred Bellows, Inez Rogers, Roy Lee Whitlock, Edith Phillips, Dorothy Beaty, Clifton Jarrett and Lavona Sharp.

Visiting Hallie Clark were Ann Warren, Laneta Freeman, Marie Cook of Carbon, JoAnn Fraley.

Donald Lee Joiner took his mother to Kokomo Baptist Church on Sunday, April 28 for Sunday School and Church. Sure nice to have Mrs. Joiner back.

Visiting Mildred Bellows were Darrell and Pat Graham, Tootie Campbell, Howard and Pat Hagood, Eunice Love and Mayvis Lasater.

On Wednesday afternoon Rose Marie Allen came and had Bible Study for Edith Phillips, Mildred Bellows, A.V. Seay, Inez Rogers and Roy Lee Whitlock.

Gladys Chambless guests were Louise Brown, Bonnie Croft of Lake Leon, Lyndon and Frankie Joe Shipman, Eunice Love, Wilburn Overstreet,

Mayvis Lasater, Kenneth Good, Glenn Glasson, Anna Rush, Estelle Erwin.

George Rodgers, Eunice Love and Tootie Campbell visited Sara Rodgers.

Visiting Ruth Bryant on May 1 and 2 were Roy and Joan Foster, Rodney Hardin, Charlee and Patsy Bryan, Larry and Martha Bryant, Kyle Bryant, Lynn and Rosetta Hagan, Susie, Chance and Mykisha Hampton, Karen and Reagan Barr, Kristan Hinds, Kelly Bryant, Kevin, Sandy, Dylan and Cole Bryant, Nancy Hendricks.

Residents enjoyed the First and Second grade students and their teachers coming and visiting every one on Thursday. Ina served every one a snow cone.

R.L. Sharp has returned after several days stay in DeLeon Hospital.

Guests visiting Venia Sherrod and Edith Phillips were Richard Clyde Kinser of Eastland, Courtney Kinser, Wilburn Overstreet, Howard and Pat Hagood, Mayvis Lasater.

### Ruth Bryant Passes Away

Ruth Elizabeth Bryant, age 91, passed away Monday, May 6, 2002 at the Heritage Manor Nursing Home in Gorman. Services were Tuesday at the Higginbotham Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. Clarence Wilson officiating. Burial was at the Simpson Cemetery.

Mrs. Bryant was born January 31, 1911 in Eastland County. She married Hoyt Bryant on July 7, 1931 in Gorman. He preceded her in death in April 1984. She was a homemaker and a member of the Church of God.

Survivors include son and daughter-in-law Charles and Patsy Bryant of Novice; son and daughter-in-law Larry and Martha Bryant of Gorman; Daughter and son-in-law Joan and Roy Foster of DeLeon; sister, Purnia Spaulding of Cisco; ten grandchildren and fifteen great grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents, one son, and nine brothers and sisters.

## Gorman Boys Scouts Merchandise Drawing

*Benefiting Troop 38*

### Drawing To Be Held May 22

*Do Not Have To Be Present To Win*

# END OF SCHOOL SALE

## 2002 Silverado 1/2 Ton Ext. Cab - Z-71

**Sale Price**  
**\$25,393**



Z-71 - 4X4, LS, 5300 V8, Cast Aluminum Wheels, Deep Tinted Glass, Locking Differential.

MSRP ..... \$30,896

Bayer Discount ..... 3,503  
Factory Rebate ..... 2,000 → OR →  
Total Savings ..... 5,503

1.9% - 36 Mos.  
2.9% - 48 Mos.  
3.9% - 60 Mos.  
W.A.C.

## 2002 Chevrolet Tracker

**Sale Price**  
**\$17,411**



LT, 2 Wheel Drive, Hard Top

MSRP ..... \$21,050  
Bayer Discount ..... 639  
Factory Rebate ..... 3,000 → OR →  
Total Savings ..... 3,639

1.9% - 36 Mos.  
2.9% - 48 Mos.  
3.9% - 60 Mos.  
W.A.C.

## 1999 Silverado 1/2 Ton Extended Cab

4,300 V-6, Automatic, Air, Cruise & Tilt, 49K Miles



**\$316 Monthly**

60 Mos. @ 7.9%

- 110 Point Inspection
- Extra Warranty Included
- All Like New

**Sale Price \$15,625**  
Plus T.T.&L.  
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**Sale Price**  
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3.4 Liter, V-6, 4 Speed Automatic, CX Value Package

MSRP ..... \$25,795

Bayer Discount ..... 1,804  
Factory Rebate ..... 2,000 → OR →  
Total Savings ..... 3,804

1.9% - 36 Mos.  
2.9% - 48 Mos.  
3.9% - 60 Mos.  
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## 2002 Buick Century Custom Sedan

4 Speed Automatic, Air, Cruise, Tilt, Power Driver Seat, AM/FM Stereo w/CD & Cassette, Power Windows, Locks, Mirrors



MSRP ..... \$21,805  
Bayer Discount ..... 1,340  
Factory Rebate ..... 2,000 → OR →  
Total Savings ..... 3,340  
Sale Price ..... \$18,463 Plus T.T.&L.

1.9% - 36 Mos.  
2.9% - 48 Mos.  
3.9% - 60 Mos.  
W.A.C.

## 2002 Buick Park Avenue Sedan

3800 Series II V-6, Power Load CD and Cassette with Steering Wheel Radio Controls



MSRP ..... \$34,550  
Bayer Discount ..... 2,485  
Factor Rebate ..... 3,000 → OR →  
Total Savings ..... 5,485  
Sale Price ..... \$29,065 Plus T.T.&L.

1.9% - 36 Mos.  
2.9% - 48 Mos.  
3.9% - 60 Mos.  
W.A.C.

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## 2002 Pontiac Grand AM GT Coupe

3.4 L V-6, 4 Sp. Automatic, Power Glass Sunroof, 16" Chrome Wheels, CD Player & Cassette, GT Package

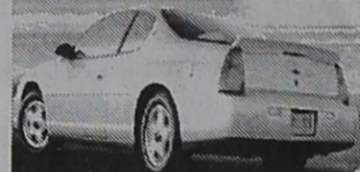


MSRP ..... \$22,825  
Solid Value Pkg. Sav. 625  
Bayer Discount ..... 1,220  
Factory Rebate ..... 2,000 → OR →  
Total Savings ..... 3,845  
Sale Price ..... \$18,978 Plus T.T.&L.

1.9% - 36 Mos.  
2.9% - 48 Mos.  
3.9% - 60 Mos.  
W.A.C.

## 2002 Chevrolet Monte Carlo

LS, Sport Appearance Package, AM/FM Stereo w/CD and Cassette, 6 Way Power Seat



MSRP ..... \$23,005  
Bayer Discount ..... 1,435  
Factory Rebate ..... 2,000 → OR →  
Total Savings ..... 3,435  
Sale Price ..... \$19,570 Plus T.T.&L.

1.9% - 36 Mos.  
2.9% - 48 Mos.  
3.9% - 60 Mos.  
W.A.C.

## 2002 Chevy S-10 Reg. Cab

**Sale Price**  
**\$11,906**



LS, 5 Speed Manual, Air, Cruise & Tilt, Am/FM Stereo w/CD Player

MSRP ..... \$16,323  
Bow Tie Bonus Sav. 400  
Bayer Discount ..... 2,017  
Factory Rebate ..... 3,000 → OR →  
Total Savings ..... 5,417

1.9% - 36 Mos.  
2.9% - 48 Mos.  
3.9% - 60 Mos.  
W.A.C.

## 2002 Pontiac Firebird Trans Am

**Sale Price**  
**\$29,107**

Ram Air Performance and Handling Pkg., 5.7 Liter V-8, 3.23 Rear Performance Axle Ratio, Traction Control, 12 Disc Remote Compact Disc Changer

MSRP ..... \$32,900  
Bayer Discount ..... 1,793  
Factory Rebate ..... 2,000 → OR →  
Total Savings ..... 3,793

1.9% - 36 Mos.  
2.9% - 48 Mos.  
3.9% - 60 Mos.  
W.A.C.

## 2002 Chevrolet Tahoe

LS, 5300 V8



MSRP ..... \$33,794  
Bayer Discount ..... 3,213  
Factory Rebate ..... 2,000 → OR →  
Total Savings ..... 5,213  
Sale Price ..... \$28,581 Plus T.T.&L.

1.9% - 36 Mos.  
2.9% - 48 Mos.  
3.9% - 60 Mos.  
W.A.C.

## 1997 Buick LeSabre

**\$238 Monthly**

60 Mos. @ 6.9%

- 110 Point Inspection
- Extra Warranty Included
- All Like New

**Sale Price \$11,750**  
Plus T.T.&L.  
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## 1998 Buick Regal

**\$275 Monthly**

60 Mos. @ 7.9%

- 110 Point Inspection
- Extra Warranty Included
- All Like New

**Sale Price \$13,625**  
Plus T.T.&L.  
T T & L Down at Delivery W.A.C.

## 1998 Pontiac Gran Prix

**\$249 Monthly**

60 Mos. @ 7.9%

- 110 Point Inspection
- Extra Warranty Included
- All Like New

**Sale Price \$12,350**  
Plus T.T.&L.  
T T & L Down at Delivery W.A.C.

## 2001 Silverado 1/2 Ton Reg. Cab

**Sale Price**  
**\$15,980**



Short Bed, 4300 V-6, 4 Spd. Auto Transmission, Air, Cruise and Tilt, Exterior Appearance Package, AM/FM Cassette

- 110 Point Inspection
- Extra Warranty Included
- All Like New

**Sale Price \$28,500**  
Plus T.T.&L.  
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