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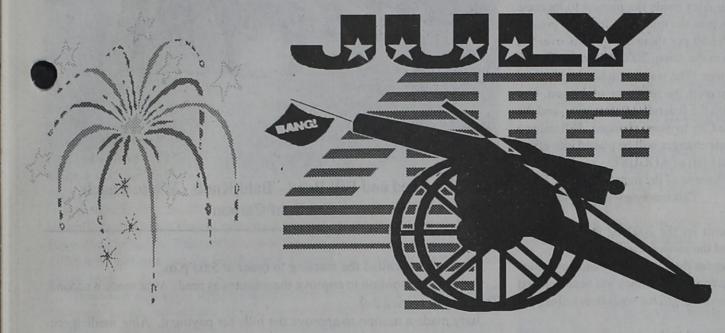
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HAPPY INDEPENDENDANCE DAY

FIREWORKS DISPLAY



Fireworks display will be held at the Gorman City Park at 9:30 p.m. on Wednesday, July 4th. Sponsored by Gorman GROW. Bring your lawn chairs and join us at the Gorman City Park. If you want to use fireworks in the City Limits of Gorman -- Come to the City Park, otherwise Citations will be issued.

Miss Gorman and Little Miss Gorman Pageant To Be Held Saturday At Gorman High School Auditorium

Miss Gorman and Little Miss Gorman contests are coming to an end. The contests will end Saturday July 7th at 12 noon. All winners will be announced at the pageant on Saturday night at 7:00 p.m. in the high school auditorium.

We urge everyone to come out and see who will represent Gorman in 2001.

Our reigning Miss Gorman, Andrea Dodd, and our Little Miss Gorman, Rachel Tucker, will crown the new Miss and Little Miss. These girls represented Gorman very well in many parades, and many other special events. We appreciate them very much.

Fund raising projects are still underway for our Miss Gorman candidates. Give them your support.

Miss Gorman Contestants:
Heather Keaton— Chamber of Commerce
Lacy Howard— Fire Department
Andrea Files— Lion's Club
Miss/Little Miss Gorman Contestants:
Haven Johnson— Chamber of Commerce
Lacey Wilson— Lion's Club

Alaina Swanner— Fire Department

The proceeds will go to community projects. We appreciate everyone's support to these projects and our town.

June 2001

Police Report

There were 5 arrests made this month for the following: 4-DWLS, 1-PI.
There were 38 citations written this month covering 11 violations as follows:
6-Exp. Inspection; 2 Disorderly Conduct; 5-No DL; 2-Exp. Registration; 11-Speeding; 2-Exhib Acc; 3-P.I.; 1-No Passing Zone; 2-Stop Sign; 1-No Seat Belt; 3-No Insurance.

There were 5 investigatable offenses reported.

There were 53 other contacts made with the public, where investigations, nformation or assistance was required. Animal calls-29; Medical emergencies-2; Welfare checks-1; Disturbances-6; Suspicious vehicle/person-3; Fire assist-1; Prowlers-1; Juvenile-4, Funeral escorts-5; Emergency messages-1.

Mark Glover Recipient of Lone ar Land Bank Scholarship



The Lone Star Land Bank, ACA serves 33 counties with 9 office locations. Most certainly this year has been a fulfilling year and new opportunities come from you individuls beginning their careers. On behalf of the association, tine scholarships were awarded to students throughout he 33 county area.

Completion of an application packet along with writing synopsis on "The Quality of Life in Rural America" were sked of each student.

On behalf of the Board of Directors, staff and Lone Star and Bank, ACA, it is an honor to present Mark Glover, raduate from Gorman High School with a \$1000.00 scholrship.

ΓSU Honor Roll

The A Honor Roll and Distinguished Student list for the Spring 2001 semeser has been released at Tarleton State University.

Students listed on the A Honor have a 4.0 grade point ratio (GPR) on the 4.0 ystem and are taking a minimum of 12 hours.

Distinguished Students include freshman and sophomore students who have minimu GPR of 3.25 and no grade lower than C, and juniors and seniros who ave a minimum GPR of 3.50 with no grade lower than C and are in good stand-

Area students included on the list were:

Carbon--Kimberly McCaslin-A,D; Jennifer L. David-D; Michael Brandon eith-D

DeLeon-Martin Ramirez Jr.-A,D; Julie A. wilson-A,D; Dustin L. Bingha-D; Aichiel C. Dyson-D; Melissa K. Hare-D; Jeannie L. Howard-D; Haley Gail Iuddleston-D; Amanda J. Lampman-D; Jennifer D. Leonhart-D; Marcie L. labors-D; Kelly J. Sanchez-D

Gorman--Kimberly Diane Campbell-A,D; Norma Joe Dennis-A,D; Marlena ayde Guthery-A,D; Sarah Reeves-A,D; Jennifer G. Foreman; William E. lagood-D, Jason W. Rich-D, Jennifer Shae Wright-D

Summer Reading Program Charlie Garrett Memorial Library

Charlie Garrett Memorial Library has a new selection of large print books.

The Summer Reading Program starts July 2nd through August 2nd. We have free tickets to Schlitterbahn Water Park to give away to the two patrons who read the most books.

Ages for the Reading Program are first through 12th grade. Come in and sign up.

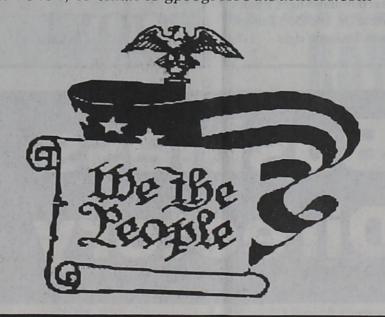
Senior Citizens Dance Slated In DeLeon July 7

There will be a Senior Citizens dance this Saturday night, July 7, at the DeLeon City Hall starting at 7:00 p.m. Music will be provided by "R.C. and Becky Willey, and the Sunriders."

Admission will be charged.

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Peanut "Turn Row" Tour to Highlight Summer Challenges

The past several years a Peanut "Turn Row" Tour has been held early in the peanut season to highlight "challenges" to peanut producers. This year we are experiencing problems with weeds, lack of rain and some early root rot diseases. These and other challenges will be highlighted on the Peanut "Turn Row" Tour set for Tuesday, July 10. Plans are to register at UAP Southwest at 9:30 a.m. and then leave on the tour at 10:00 a.m. Two continuing education credits will be offered to private, commercial and non-commercial applicators. To preregister please call the Texas Agricultural Extension Service at 915/356--2539.

Individuals with disabilities who require an auxiliary aid, service or accommodation in order to participate in this program are encouraged to contact the Texas Agricultural Extension Service in Comanche County at 915/356-2539 to determine how reasonable accommodations can be made.

At least two stops will be included on the tour focusing on weed control, disease management and irrigation timing. Dr. Robert Lemon, Extension Agronomist, Texas A&M University will address weed control options for growers including what's working and what's not. Focus will be on a weed control plot looking at recently labeled products as well as new products on the horizon.

A second stop will be of coastal weed control. This is unusual for a peanut tour but a new grassburr control product is on the market and many peanut producers grow coastal in rotation. This stop will allow producers to see how well the product is working and potentials for reducing coastal stands.

Sponsors for the Peanut "Turn Row" Tour include UAP Southwest, First National Bank, Farmers and Merchants Bank, Comanche Electric Cooperative, AgTexas Farm Credit Services, Comanche National Bank, BASF Corp., Birdsong Peanuts, DeLeon Crop Insurance, DeLeon Irrigation Supply, Dow AgroSciences, Federal Land Bank, Golden Peanut Company, Gores AgriService Center, Gustafson, Helena Chemicals, Syngenta Crop Protection, SureGrow Ag Products and Valent.

s/ Bob Whitney, CEA-AG, Comanche County

ITEMS OF INTEREST TO AREA FOLKS

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.

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.

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

FOOD PANTRY Second Thursday of Each Month

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

The Order of the Eastern Star holds its regular stated meetings on the first Monday of each month at 7:30 p.m. - Nell Ragland, Worthy Matron and Elwood Ragland, Worthy Patron.

Gorman Oaklawn Cemetery Association is accepting donations for the Care of the Cemetery. If you would like to make a donation in memory of or In Honor of someone, please send to Rt. 3 Box 121A, or American State Bank, Gorman, Texas 76454.

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

Melton Simpson Laid to Rest

Melton Varnell Simpson, 83, of DeLeon died on Friday, June 29, 2001 at Central Texas Medical Center in San Marcos. Services were Sunday, July 2, 2001 at the DeLeon First United Methodist Church with Jackie Auvenshine officiating. Burial was in the DeLeon Cemetery.

Mr. Simpson was born on December 13, 1917 in the Downing Community to the late Charles Henry Simpson and Annie Nabors Simpson. He married Zela Stacy on June 25, 1939 in DeLeon. She preceded him in death January 1, 1990. He was a retired machinist/foreman of Trailways Bus Company, member of the DeLeon First United Methodist Church, and was an Airforce veteran of World War II.

Survivors include one son Randy Simpson and wife Patricia of San Marcos; three grandchildren Annie Simpson, Jennie Simpson and Sarah Simpson.

He was preceded in death by six brothers Carl, Willard, Charlie, Grady, John and Hubert Simpson and two sisters Beunah Loudermilk and Vera Hornsby.

Services Held for Bobby Evans

Bobby Gayle Evans, 63, of Deming, New Mexico died on Wednesday, June 27, 2001 in Albuquerque, New Mexico. Memorial services were held on Sunday July 1, 2001 at the Nowlin Funeral Home chapel with Jackie Auvenshine officiating. Burial was in the Taylors Chapel Cemetery in Comanche County.

Mr. Evans was born on July 28, 1937 in Rising Star to the late Reiffert and Dona Carleton Evans. He was a Barber and an Episcopalian by faith.

Survivors include his son Bobby J. Evans of Amarillo, Texas; brother Jerry Evans of Uvalde, TX; one grandson Braydon J. Evans; aunts Veda Stephens of DeLeon and Bayna Dawkins of DeLeon, Ouida McDougle of Ft. Worth; and numerous cousins.

He was preceded by his parents and one brother Kenneth Evans.

Services Held for Vivian Moseley

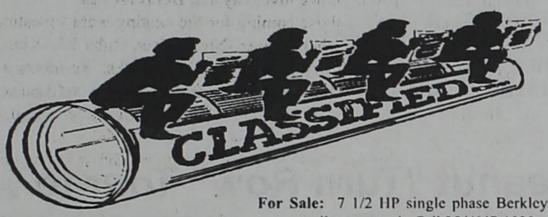
Vivian "Buddy" Moseley, 79, of Gorman, formerly of Eastland, died Thursday, June 28, 2001 at her home. Graveside services were Monday, July 2, 2001 at the Eastland Cemetery under the direction of Bakker Funeral Home of Eastland.

Mrs. Moseley was born January 3, 1922 in Haskell. She married C.W. Moseley on August 15, 1947 in Brownwood. She moved to Eastland in 1955 and lived there until moving to Olden in 1979. She moved to Gorman in 1997. She was a homemaker and a Baptist.

Survivors include two daughters, Glenda Ripley of Gorman and Gwenda McCartney of Abilene; four grandchildren; and four great grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband in 1983; a daughter, Sheila Luttrell in 1985; and a son, Anthony in 1986.

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June 7, 2001

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& 6th from 8-5.

The Gorman City Commission met on the above date. Those present were Mayor Robert Ervin, Commissioners; Alex Granado, Donnie Rodgers, Bill Vaughn, and Judy Warren. Others present were: Lori Dodd, Doug Caffey, Abel Saldana, Frank Fenley, and Adam and Sylvia Hampton.

Mayor Ervin called the meeting to order at 5:10p.m., Tribush

Judy made the motion to approve the minutes of the May 17, and the May 11 meetings. Alex made a second and the motion carried 3-0, (Donnie stepped in a few minutes late.)

Bill made a motion to approve the bills for payment. Alex made a second and the motion carried 4-0.

Adam and Sylvia Hampton were present to request some enforcement and some assistance from the Commission. They inquired about the ordinances on keeping of animals, health hazards, property maintaining, etc. The City was asked to enforce these ordinances that are already in place. Not only would it help with some of their problems, it would help in the progress of cleaning up Gorman. The Commission agreed with the Hamptons, and will to the best of their ability get something done.

On Department Head Reports, Lori was present to report activities of the EDC, and Gorman Grow. Also to acquire the permission to apply for a Texas Parks and Wildlife Grant.

Judy made the motion to apply for the grant and Donnie made a second. The

motion passed 4-0. Doug submitted his monthly report. As did Frank with ACO, and Vickie

Donnie made the motion to call the applicants that had previously applied for the cleaning job, the City Office and the Community Center. Socorro Ramirez was next for the position. If she doesn't want the position, it will go to the next person. Judy made a second to the motion and motion carried 4-0.

After very much thought and discussion Alex made the motion to increase the water rate to \$3.00 per thousand gallons over the minimum from the present \$2.95. And to increase the sewer rate to \$1.40 per thousand gallons over the minimum. The minimum rates will remain in the same, 2000 gallons @ \$11.50 on water, and 2000 gallons @ \$7.50 on sewer. The water rate has been raised two times where as the City has not passed it on to the residence in the past. But the rising costs of maintaining standards with the federal and state laws, and the rising costs of any expenses have forced the City to make changes. Bill made a second and the motion carried 4-0. This costs changes will be placed into effect on the bill which will be mailed out the first (1st) of AUGUST.

The Commission would like to meet with some of the members of the Baseball Commission at the next June meeting. This meeting will be held at 5:00 p.m. on June 21, 2001.

Judy made the motion to adopt the figures for the 2001-02 Budget for the City of Gorman. Donnie made a second and the motion carried 4-0.

Bill made a motion to put a \$5000.00 cap for the purchase of another Police vehicle. Alex made a second. The motion carried 4-0. Money has been donated to the City to go towards the purchase of this vehicle. This will allow mileage to be kept down, and vehicles to last longer.

At 7:35 p.m. Judy made the motion to convene into Executive Session. Donnie made a second and the motion carried

> At 8:00 p.m. Judy made the motion to adjourn from Executive Session and return to Regular Session. Donnie made a second and the motion carried

No action after Executive Session. There being no further business Judy made the motion to adjourn from the meeting and Donnie made a sec-

ond. Motion carried. 8:00 p.m.

June 21, 2001

The Gorman City Commission met on the above date. Those present were Mayor Robert Ervin, Commissioners Alex Granado, Judy Warren and Bill Vaughn. Absent was Commissioner Donnie Rodgers. Others present were Robbie and Lori Dodd,

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nd Leonard Silva.

Mayor Ervin called the meeting to order at 5:05 p.m.

Judy made a motion to approve the minutes as read. Alex made a second. The motion carried 3-0.

Judy made a motion to approve the bills for payment. Alex made a second and the motion carried 3-0.

No action on citizens in-put.

No action on personnel issues.

No one was present from the baseball commission.

Lori Dodd reported that she would be attending a workshop next week. She also reported that the grant for video cameras for the police cars was approved. Also the "Fall In Love With Bass Lake" grant was approved. This is a project involving the 7th and 8th grades. That will begin in Octo-

Glenn is to be sure that the area around the City Park is kept well mowed and clean. And also a tree at the swimming pool needs to be cut down.

The Dodd's asked the Commission to allow them to hold a public fireworks display at our City Park. The Commission said that they thought it would be really nice for our community. Robbie Dodd will supply his own

This is not a City sponsored activity. Just wanting to see some good ole fashion 4th fun! of all mercory A sand at

The Commission also requested that the City crew have the new uniform shirts monogramed.

There being no further business for discussion Bill made the motion to adjourn, Alex made the second. Motion carried. Time was 6:45 p.m.

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PATIENTS' BILL OF RIGHTS

Congress is debating the Patients' Bill of Rights, legislation to help patients et the kind of medical treatment they deserve without delay or legal haggling. When we are dealing with the health care of most Americans, it is important to avoid unintended consequences, such as increasing the cost of providing quality medical care. We don't want to do anything that would discourage employers from providing their employees with medical coverage. We need to make sure we are not creating more problems than we are solving with the bill.

Getting good medical care in our country has grown complicated. The vast majority of us like and trust our doctors. We don't want an insurance company telling our doctors what kind of care to give us. Parents should be able to take their child to the pediatrician without having to get permission from their insurance company or health maintenance organization (HMO) first. People should be able to see a specialist when they need one, and to get emergency treatment at the nearest emergency room without calling a health care gatekeeper first.

If an HMO denies the treatment you need, then you should have the right to an immediate, impartial appeal to a panel of doctors. If the panel rules in your favor, you should receive your treatment, period. If the HMO ignores the findings, you should be able to go to court. Such a system should favor patients, first and foremost, with quick action to make sure they get the treatment they need in a timely manner.

We can't afford to turn over patient care decisions to accountants and insurance companies and trial lawyers.

Texas has already taken the lead on patients' rights, and is showing the rest of the country the way. In our state, if an HMO denies coverage for a certain procedure but the patient and the doctor disagree with that decision, a patient can make an internal appeal within the HMO first. If, after the HMO reviews the appeal and still refuses to cover the treatment, the patient can appeal again to a panel of outside experts not associated with the HMO. If the outside panel has made a decision and the patient stills feel he or she has been unfairly denied care, the patient can sue the HMO in court.

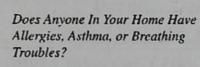
It works. Fewer than 20 lawsuits emerged from more than 300 appeals heard under Texas' external review system since 1997. At the same time, the system has proved to be fair. The conclusions of the appeals are virtually 50/50 in favor of both the patients and the health plans. Federal law would do well to follow

Texas law also gives employers protection from lawsuits involving health coverage. Employers are not required to provide health insurance coverage to their employees. Small business often can barely afford to give their employees this benefit. Exposing them to lawsuits and millions of dollars in potential damages because they voluntarily provide their employees with medical insurance just doesn't make sense. I offered an amendment to the bill that would have applied Texas' employer protection provisions to the entire nation. Unfortunately, it failed, but I will continue to work to secure this protection for employers in the

Congress has to get this right. If health costs continue to climb, the result could be disastrous. Answering a recent series of nationwide polls, an overwhelming majority of employers stated unequivocally they would have to pass on any new health-insurance costs to their employees, by either raising employees' premiums - or by eliminating coverage. Small businesses are especially vulner-

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Senior Citizens Dance in DeLeon July 7

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Admission will be charged.

Heritage Manor News

By Nancy Hendricks

The next Birthday Party will be Friday, July 13 at 2:00 p.m.

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On Friday, June 22nd at 2:00 p.m. was the June Birthday Party. Hallie Clark was the June honoree. Ruth

Campbell came played the electric keyboard and led singing. The First United Methodist Church gave Hallie a corsage. Other gifts were from the First Baptist Church, Church of Christ and Heritage Manor.

Delicious birthday cake and frosted punch was served to Hallie, her daughter JoAnn Fraley, grandchildren Teresa, Brice and Bradi Campbell, residents Margaret Helms, Mildred Bellows, Mary Williams, Patti Whitehorn, Ava Rodgers, Inez Rogers, S.D. Gilmore, Cynthia Earles, Dorothy Beaty, Ollie Halcomb, A.V. Seay, Veno Hale, Robin Taylor, Cynthia Earles, Clifton and Frankie Jarrett, Irene Heathington and guests Nancy Hendricks and Ruth Bryant.

Visiting Aubrey and Louise Griffin were Mike Griffin of Dallas, James Griffin Sr. of Mississippi, James Griffin Jr. of Fort worth, Daisy Slaton, Fay and

Visiting Hallie Clark were Teresa, Brice and Bradi Campbell, Mayvis Lasater, Lou Evelyn Rodgers of Midlothian, Jo Ann Fraley, Zena Simpson, Fay and Denzel

On Sunday morning James Miears of First Baptist Church taught the Sunday School class for Margaret Helms, S.D. Gilmore, A.V. Seay, Mildred Bellows, Buddy Winn, Ava Rodgers, Inez Rogers, Frankie Jarrett, Veno Hale, Ola Walker, Aubrey Griffin, Edith Phillips, guests Bruce and Lavoyce Hirst.

Visiting Edith Phillips and Ola Walker were Jerry, Sherry and Mason Parrish, Howard and Pat Hagood, Eunice Love, Fay and Denzel Ables.

Visiting Jolene Gilliland were Kay Henry, Melissa and McKenzie Osborne, Lori and Kaycee Dodd, Mary Eison of Bridgeport, Judy Warren, Wynogene Smith, Ima Brown, Joy Rogers, Zena Simpson, Jo Carroll Looney of Arlington, Mayvis Lasater, Nancy Hendricks, Lou Evelyn Rodgers.

On Friday morning, Ina Smith and Pat Graham had bingo for Mildred Bellows, Inez Rogers, A.V. Seay, Ava Rodgers, Veno Hale, S.D. Gilmore, Patti Whitehorn, and Dorothy Beaty.

Visiting Mary Williams were Lugene Morris and Maxine Frasier of DeLcon, Kenneth and Betty Sue Heathington, Denzel and Fay Ables, Irene West, Howard and Pat Hagood, Lori and Kayce Dodd, Mary Evelyn Eison of Bridgeport, Durwood Webb, Linda Weaver and Lou Evelyn Rodgers of Midlothian, Mayvis Lasater, Nancy Hendricks, Ruth Bryant, Zena Simpson, Eunice Love.

Visiting A.V. Seay and Sara Rodgers were George Rodgers, Tommy Lyn and Summer Seay of Alpine, Eunice Love, Zena Simpson, Denzel and Fay Ables.

On Monday morning Pat Graham and Ray Blevins had bingo for S.D. Gilmore, Clifton and Frankie Jarrett, Inez Rogers, Mildred Bellows, Ava Rodgers, A.V. Scay, Veno Hale, and Pattie Whitehorn, Robin Taylor and Cynthia Earles.

Some of Inez Rogers guests were Eloise Williams, Dixie Ryon and Violet Watson of Desdemona, Joy Rogers, Buddy Rogers of Ranger, Howard and Pat Hagood, Lugene Morris of DeLeon, Fay and Denzel Ables, Eunice Love, Donnie Mathison of Carbon.

Visiting Mildred Bellows were Grant Tidmore of Midlothian, Darrell and Pat Graham, Zena Simpson, Eunice love, Fay and Denzel Ables.

On Monday afternoon those coming for the singing were Ernestine Campbell, Marjorie Treadway, Ethel Weaver, Nina Joiner, Ruby Lee Kinser, Zelda Jordan, Daisy Slaton, Ruth Bryant and Nancy Hendricks. Residents were S.D. Gilmore, Hallie Clark, Clifton and Frankie Jarrett, Aubrey and Louise Griffin, Ollie Halcomb, Incz Rogers, A.V. Seay, Veno Hale, Patti Whitehorn and Cynthia

Visiting Pattie Whitehorn were Rev. T.D. Whitehorn, Sylvia Estes, Mary Estes, Marie Cook, Mayvis Lasater, Howard and Pat Hagood, Zena Simpson, Denzel and Fay Ables, Eunice Love.

Some of Olan and Margaret Helms guests were Howard and Pat Hagood, Denzel and Fay Ables, Eunice Love and Zena Simpson.

On Tuesday morning Betty Duke of Desdemona came played the electric keyboard and led singing for Clifton and Frankie Jarrett, Veno Hale, A.V. Seay, Inez Rogers Mildred Bellows and Ollie Halcomb.

Velsic Rawson of Cisco, Daisy Slaton, Howard and Pat Hagood visited Felix

Visiting Veno Hale and Stella Files were Nell Files of Carbon, Jimmy Little, Ruth Bryant, Howard and Pat Hagood, Denzel and Fay Ables, Eunice Love.

Karen Guthery came on Monday and fixed the ladies hair.

Visiting S.D. Gilmore were Linda Warren, Nikki Forbus, Nina Joiner, Pat and Howard Hagood.

Some of Bea O'Neal guests were Rachel, Kim, Jill and Tracey Andress of Austin, Mayvis Lasater, Zena Simpson and Eunice Love. On Tuesday afternoon Revah Singleton, RN and Sherry Parrish had 'Crazy

Bingo' for Ava Rodgers, Sara Rodgers, Patti Whitehorn, Mildred Bellows, Inez Rogers, Ollie Halcomb and A.V. Seay. Some of Ava Rodgers guests were Jimmy and Wilda Rodgers, Linda Weaver and Lou Evelyn Rodgers of Midlothian, Mayvis Lasater, Ima Brown, Rodney

and Ruth Elaine Spencer of San Antonio, Jana Grice, Howard and Pat Hagood, Denzel and Fay Ables, Eunice Love, Ruth Bryant, Nancy Hendricks. Visiting Buddy Winn and Ed Johnson were Harvey Winn of Carbon, Fay Johnson, Eunice Love, Zena Simpson, Howard and Pat Hagood, Denzel and Fay

On Wednesday morning Ennis and Nina Joiner of First Baptist Church brought the devotional for Veno Hale, Ollie Halcomb, Buddy Winn, Cynthia Earls, Irene Heathington, Ola Walker, Ava Rodgers, A.V. Seay, Dorothy Beaty, Frankie Jarrett and Veno Hale.

Visiting Irene Heathington were Cecil Freeman of Mesquite, Ken and Betty Continued On Page Four

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DESDEMONA NEWS

BY VONNIE GUTHERY

Raymond and Estelle Lindley of the Jakehamon Community celebrated their 70th wedding anniversary last Saturday, June 30 at the Baptist Annex. The lovely reception was hosted by their children, Ann Micars and huband James of Stephenville; Charles Lindley and wife Anna of Clifton; Eddie Lindley and wife Linda of Desdemona. A large crowd of family, friends and neighbors attended the reception. "Congratulations" to this wonderful couple and may God con-

Johnny and Sandy Cameron of Sanger visited last Thursday with her sister, Bernard and Ann Keith.

Evelyn Hammond of Lake Brownwood visited over the weekend in Desdemona with friends. She attended the Lindley 70th reception on Saturday and First Baptist Church Homecoming and Rededication Service on Sunday evening.

Bernard and Ann Keith met their friends, Raymond and Vivian hart of Ranger, last Sunday to enjoy visiting and a noon meal at New York Hill Restaurant in Bro. Doyle Welch of the Jakehamon Community is slowly recovering from

recent surgery. Get well wishes goes out to him. Our sincere sympathy goes out to Dora Holland who lost her sister this past

Bernard and Ann Keith was at Lake Proctor last Saturday to attend the Keith Family Reunion. They reported a good time.

Ginger Brown and sons of Oklahoma visited Sunday with friends in

Robert and Ima Brown was in Temple last Saturday to take care of some business and visit their friends.

Kokomo News

By Zelda Jordan

I hope that everyone will have a safe and happy Fourth of July.

In honor of Independence Day some patriotic songs were sung during the worship service at the Kokomo Baptist Church on Sunday morning. Special music was rendered by Daryl Hirst and Glenda Black. There will be no service at the Kokomo Baptist Church on Wednesday night because of the holiday.

Woodrow and Helen Browning, Daryl Hirst, Glenda Black and Zelda Jordan were among those attending the Homecoming and Rededication Service at the First Baptist Church in Desdemona on Sunday afternoon. Daryl and Glenda rendered some of the special music. One of the highlights of the service was the special recognition of Mrs. Evah Sparkman, a beloved member of the church. I've had the privilege of working with Evah for several years at Southwestern Peanut Growers' Association, and she is a dear friend of mine. She is the same sweet Christian lady at work (or anywhere else) as she is at church.

We extend sincere sympathy to Bro. Clarence and Leona Wilson. Her sister, Estelle Haynes, of Post passed away on Saturday evening, June 30.

Those visiting with Hazel Snider and LaVon Snider this past week were Dianne and Sandra Snider, Kay Snider, Dwayne, Connie and Lisa Snider and Franklin and Jeanne Baker.

Hazel and LaVon Snider visited with Ted and Charlotte Snider Saturday night. Also visiting with them were Clay, Susan, Kinsey, Caitlin and Kyann Wheat of Ranger, and Toby, Angie, Karina, Karle and Klarissa Snider of Fredericksburg.

Glenda Black of Abilene spent the weekend with her mother, Zelda Jordan. Others visiting in the Jordan home were Norma Webb, and Joe and Mattie Neill of Merkel. Mr. Neill was the coach at Gorman when my son, Teddy, was in high school. He is now enjoying retirement.

Delmon and Joyce Eaves visited with Deny and Stella Reynolds in Eastland

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Sue Heathington, Dave and Laneta Freeman, Zena Simpson, Nancy Hendricks, Eunice Love, Denzel and Fay Ables, Howard and Pat Hagood.

Some of Modess Self and Cynthia Earles guests were Cecil Freeman of Mesquite, V.O. Huff, Sue (Huff) Debrew of Ft. Worth, Dave and Laneta Freeman, Kenneth and Betty Sue Heathington, Eunice Love, Denzel and Fay Ables, Howard and Pat Hagood.

In the Art Class residents pained pictures and posters. They were Beth Welch, A.V. Seay, Inez Rogers and Cynthia Earles.

Visiting Ollie Halcomb and Dorothy Beaty were David and Denna Halcomb, Eunice Love, Denzel and Fay Ables.

On Wednesday afternoon Cecil Freeman of Mesquite and Dave Freeman came

and gave a concert for Inez Rogers, A.V. Seay, Patti Whitehorn, Ollie Halcomb, Bea O'Neal, S.D. Gilmore, Modess Self, Mildred Bellows, Ava Rodgers, Edith Phillips, Cynthia Earles, Veno Hale, Mary Williams, Hallie Clark and Dorothy Beaty and guests Nancy Hendricks and Ruth Bryant.

Dalton Taylor visited his daughter, Robin Taylor.

Some of Muriel Prewitt guests were Johnny and Patty Waters of Amarillo, Ronnie and Mary Prewitt of Oklahoma, Durwood Webb, Eunice Love, Denzel and Fay Ables, Mayvis Lasater, Howard and Pat Hagood.

> A.V. Seay Attends Grandson's Wedding

On June 16, 2001, A.V. Seay attended the wedding of Summer Rai Brown and Tommy Lyn Seay at the Weiser Ranch in Nimrod near Cisco at 7:00 p.m. Sandi and Garry Brown of Eastland, Thomas and Vicki Seay of Gorman are the couples parents.

Summer is the granddaughter of Maxine and Bud Adcock of Strawn and Gilda and Howard Brown of Fredricksburg.

Tommy is the grandson of Mabelle and the late Olen Trout of East and A.V. and the late Hillary Seay of Gorman.

Visiting Clifton and Frankie Jarrett were Rita Hall of Kerrville, Kay Watson,

Bill Johnson, Mark Watson, Donnie Mathison of Carbon, Eunice Love, Zena Simpson, Joy Rogers, Howard and Pat Hagood, Ruth Bryant, Mayvis Lasater.

Visiting Emma Bethany were Gale and Hazel McGinnis and Loca Ortez of DeLeon, Clinton and Johnny Morgan of Weatherford, Zena Simpson, Jessie Mae Marton, Blanch Kienes, Eunice Love, Fay and Denzel Ables, and Mayvis Lasater.

Word Game on Thursday morning with Ina Smith, residents were Inez Rogers, Ava Rodgers, Dorothy Beaty, Ollie Halcomb, Frankie Jarrett, A.V. Seay, Veno Hale, Beth Welch.

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of radioactivity) ppm - parts per million, or milligrams per

liter (mg/l) ppb - parts per billion, or micrograms per

liter (µg/l)

ppq - parts per quadrillion, or picograms per

ppt - parts per trillion, or nanograms per liter

Year	Constituent	Highest Level at Any Sampling Point	Range of Detected Levels	MCL	MCLG	Unit of Measure	Source of Constituent
2000	Arsenic	2.7	2.7000- 2.7000	50	0	ppb	Erosion of natural deposits; Runoff from orchards; Runoff from glass and electronics production wastes.
2000	Barium	0,108	0.1080- 0.1080	2	2	ppm	Discharge of drilling wastes; Discharge from metal refineries; Erosion of natural deposits.
2000	Fluoride	0.3	0.3000- 0.3000	4	4	ppm	Erosion of natural deposits; Water additive which promotes strong teeth; Discharge from fertilizer and aluminum factories.
2000	Nitrate	0.19	0.1900- 0.1900	10	10	ppm	Runoff from fertilizer use; Leaching from septic tanks, sewage; Erosion of natural deposits.
2000	Selenium	7.3	7.3000- 7.3000	50	50	ppb	Discharge from petroleum and metal refineries; Erosion of natural deposits; Discharge from mines.

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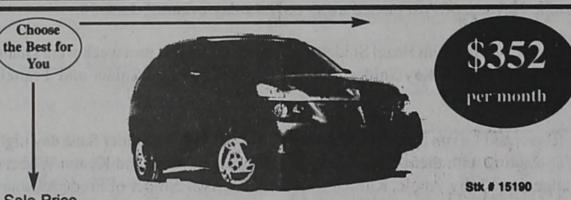
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