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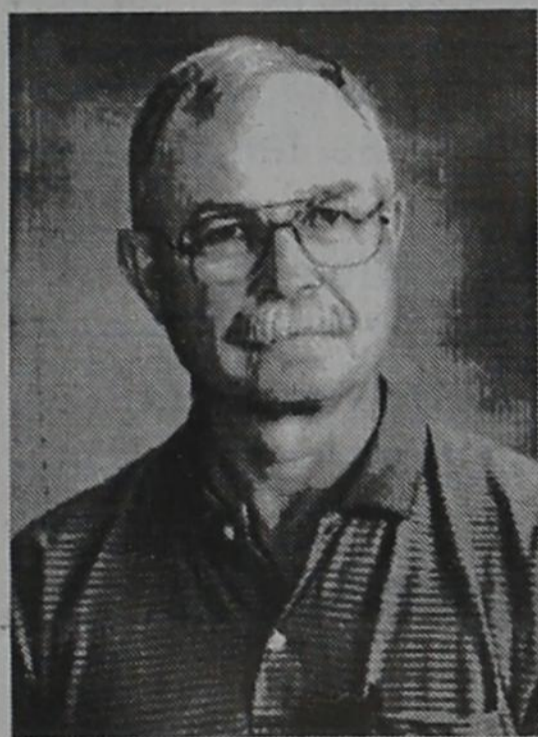
MAY 13, 2004

Gorman Junior High Cheerleaders



Gorman Jr. High Cheerleaders for 2004-2005 school year are Kimmy Seaton, Brittany Henderson, Laci Lawrence, Audrey Johnston, Barbara Sherman, Elizabeth Borrego.

Gene A. Smith Candidate For Gorman ISD Board



I have lived in the Kokomo Community for 22 years. My daughter, Marla, graduated from Gorman ISD and my wife, Cheryl, teaches 1st grade. I have a Master's degree in Education and I am retiring this year after teaching Vocational Ag and serving as Principal for 29 years. I feel I am knowledgeable in all areas of school business. I am a landowner and taxpayer in the Gorman School District. I am committed to making sure your tax dollars are spent wisely. I will work to make the school board meetings accountable and accessible to the public. Your vote for me will assure you that your tax dollars are being spent in the best possible way to achieve the best education for the students of Gorman ISD.

s/ Gene A. Smith

Re-Elect Beth Underwood For Gorman ISD Board

Hello, I am Beth Underwood and I am running for re-election to the Gorman ISD School Board. I have had the privilege of serving as a member of the Gorman School Board for the past three years. I graduated from Gorman High School and have lived here most of my life. I am married to Ted Underwood and we have a son, Trey, who is in the eighth grade. I have been a leader with the Boy Scouts of America for the past eight years. I am running for a position on the school board because I am interested and concerned about our children and our school. I believe I am an asset to the school board because I have a child attending school in Gorman and I have experience in accounting and auditing. I want our children to have the most opportunities possible, both in academics and athletics. If re-elected, I will work to make our school the best it can be for all our children and for our community.

I would appreciate your vote.
Beth Underwood

**Remember
To Vote
Saturday**

REMEMBER TO VOTE - SATURDAY, MAY 15
CITY ELECTION AT THE CITY OFFICE
SCHOOL ELECTION AT THE HIGH SCHOOL LIBRARY

Melinda Harrington Gorman ISD Board

Dear Friends:

I am writing this letter to tell you something about myself and why I have decided to run for re-election to the Gorman ISD School Board.

I am a 1979 graduate of Gorman High School. After obtaining a quality education in the Gorman school system, I was able to go and earn my bachelor's degree from Texas A & M University at College Station and eventually my master's degree from The University of Texas at Austin. For nineteen years, I have been working in different types of jobs in the education system. My experience includes employment as a classroom teacher on the elementary and secondary levels, a special education teacher, and an education program coordinator in a private institution. For the last six years, I have worked as an educational diagnostician handling as-

essment and programming issues for special education students at all grade levels. As a bilingual educator in the Spanish language, I have experience dealing with the unique needs of the students learning the English language. I am currently employed by the Comanche Special Services Cooperative where I serve as an educational diagnostician in seven nearby school districts.

For the past three years, it has been my privilege to serve on the school board for Gorman ISD. During this time, our district has successfully moved through many changes in an increasingly complicated public education system and has maintained stability. I have been fortunate to be involved in various training opportunities to bring current information regarding public education issues back to Gorman ISD. Recently, I was elected to serve a second term on the Legislative Advisory Council for the Texas Association of School Boards. I consider this to be a great opportunity to represent the issues of small, rural public schools as TASB prepares its legislative agenda to be promoted in the next legislative session.

Over the years, I have been privileged to reap the benefits of a quality education that I received in Gorman ISD. At this time, I would like to be able to return a portion of that gift by continuing to serve on the Gorman School Board. I have a wide range of experience in the education system and knowledge of the current issues being faced by school districts across the state of Texas. As the job of providing our young people with a quality education becomes increasingly more complicated, particularly in small schools, I believe that I can continue to make an important contribution in our local school system by serving as a school board member. I respectfully ask for your vote on election day, and if elected, I will do my best to represent the entire Gorman community as a board member.

Sincerely,
s/Melinda Harrington

Adam Hampton Incumbent For Place 2 Commissioner

My name is Adam Hampton. I am currently in Place 2 on the Gorman City Commission. As your City Commissioner, I have personally been involved in the planning and following through of many clean-up projects in our city. Along with these obvious improvements, I, along with the Mayor and other Commissioners, are continuously looking out for Gorman's best interest when it comes to financial decisions. With your support we

It has been my privilege to serve the City of Gorman, I would appreciate your continued support and I ask for your vote at the City General Election this Saturday, May 15. It is no secret that money is very limited and budgets need to be kept tight. Let's all continue to work together to see what we have continue. My goal is to reach out and support all efforts possible to improve our community and strive to make it stronger.

It would be my honor to continue to serve Gorman as Mayor, and again I ask for your support by requesting your vote this Saturday.

Thank you,
s/Robert Ervin

Gorman Represented At UIL State Tournament



The University Interscholastic League held the State Tournament for Conferences 1A through 5A in Austin beginning Thursday, May 6-9, 2004.

Junior Ashlee Hornback, daughter of Jeanene Roemisch of DeLeon and Lee Hornback of Desdemona competed in Informative Speaking placing 6th in the final round of competition on Saturday and received a State Finalist Medal.

Freshman Matthew Smith, son of Becky Smith of Gorman and Chuck Smith of Gorman competed in Prose Interpretation placing 5th in the finals, and took home a State Finalist Medal.

Representing Gorman High School on the State Speech Honor Crew this year were Juniors Clint Jones, son of Mike Jones of Gorman, and Ryan Wright, son of Mary Wright of Clyde, Sophomore Kendra Swanner, daughter of Tim and Becky Swanner of Gorman, and Freshman (alternate) Chance Underwood, son of Joe Underwood of Carbon and Rosemary Brinegar of Stephenville.

Summertime Cleaning

It's time to start mowing and getting things all cleaned-up outside. I know that a lot of people have been busy in their yards. I would like to thank those people that I have sent letters to concerning their property that they have in the City that have complied with the Ordinances. I am working as the Code Enforcement Officer for the City of Gorman.

We need to make sure that we don't have any water standing anywhere. It will cause mosquitoes. If you have any questions, please feel free to call me at the Office. I am in the Office on Thursday and Friday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Barbara Fenley
Code Enforcement Officer

Marceil Laminack Candidate For GISD School Board



I am Marceil Laminack, one of the ten candidates running for the Gorman ISD School Board on May 15, 2004.

My husband, Donald, and I have three sons. Randy, Revise—who both played on the 1976 Gorman State Champion Football Team—and Noble—who was on the State Livestock Judging Team. All three graduated from Gorman ISD, where we feel our sons got a quality education enabling them to become responsible adults and are adequately supporting themselves and their families. We have a granddaughter Lindsey a 7th grader and a great-grandson Rylan in kindergarten in Gorman ISD. We believe in the Gorman ISD and that our children should excel mentally and physically to enable them to be prepared to conquer any challenge they choose.

My husband, Donald, graduated from Gorman ISD. He is employed

can continue to better our community and prepare for the future. Your vote will be greatly appreciated.

Adam Hampton

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after school pool parties
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party.**

Bob Powell Candidate For GISD School Board Trustee

For those that do not know me, my name is Bob Powell, and I am seeking a position on the Gorman ISD School Board. I am employed at De Leon Irrigation Supply, Inc. My wife Deann and I have two girls who attend school here, at Gorman. I graduated from Tarleton State University with a degree in Animal Production, and a Minor in Agricultural Economics. I am a past member of GISD Board of Trustees, and I served as Secretary in 2002. I was nominated by the Texas Association of School Boards, in Austin to represent Region 14 on the TASB Board of Trustees in that same year. I have served as voting delegate at the TASB State Convention representing Gorman ISD. I am past President of the Gorman Livestock Raisers Association, and a past member of the Eastland County Stock Show Board. I am currently serving on the Eastland County Historical Commission, and I am trying to establish an FFA Alumni

Affiliate to serve the Agricultural students enrolled in Ag classes in Gorman.

In the late 1830's, Mirabeau Lamar, Third President of the Republic of Texas and "The Father of Texas Education" said, "Cultivated mind is the guardian genius of democracy". Here, in 2004, that message rings even louder. It is our duty and obligation as a community to see that our students are provided a quality education to face the demands of life. It needs to be an education that challenges students at every level; an education that instills pride, responsibility, integrity, and a positive attitude, regardless of race, creed, or gender. I want to see Gorman ISD be competitive academically, athletically, and in extracurricular activities. I believe if it is worth doing, then it is worth being competitive.

In today's changing times, I believe a board members job goes much farther than the local board room. Consider the fact that approximately 80% of our local policy decisions are mandated by the state, and only 17% of the school districts funds are provided for locally. That means 83% of our funding comes from Austin. We must be active as board members with groups such as the TASB's Advocacy network, with our legislatures and congressmen, and associations that further the cause of rural school districts. I have been active in these endeavors in the past, and would be active again if elected.

I believe that a board member must be able to approach each meeting with the intention to do the very best for the students, faculty, and tax payers. Each member must possess the ability to "check their personal agendas" at the door and focus on the student body as a whole; making decisions based on integrity and honesty. Board members must be willing to make team decisions and "do the right thing". If you believe in the importance of a challenging education for every student, and the afore mentioned traits of a board member, then I am your candidate. Your vote on Saturday, May 15th would be greatly appreciated.

s/ Marceil Laminack

Gorman High School Art Show

The Gorman High School National Art Honor Society will be holding an art show on May 10, 2004 in the High School Library at 6:00 p.m. The show will present the artwork of the NAHS members. The National Art Honor Society will be providing refreshments and everyone is invited to attend. Please come and show your support of these deserving students.

Obituary

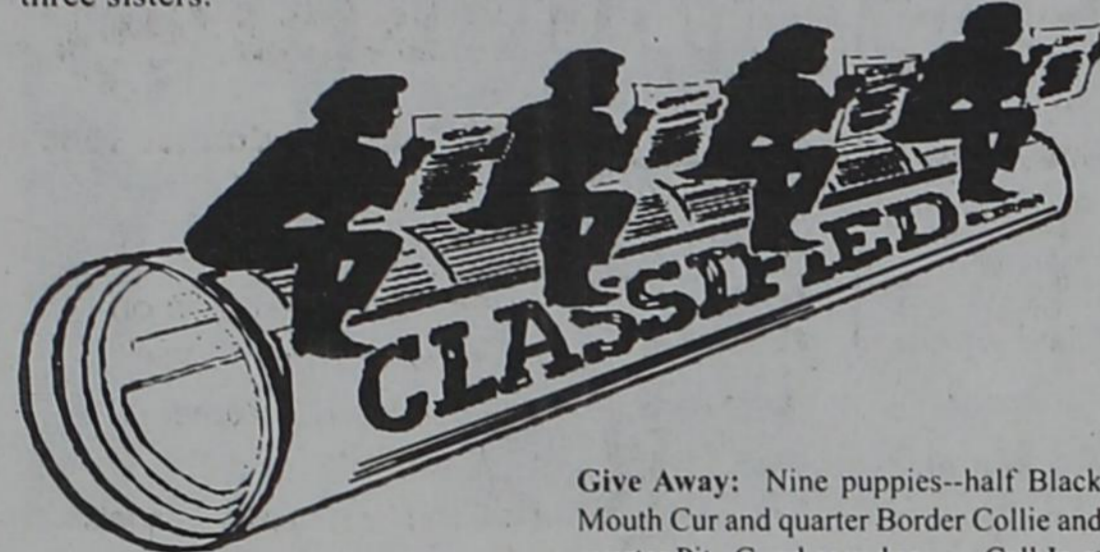
Otilla Mayhar Hall

Otilla Mayhar Hall, age 94, of Desdemona, died on Monday, May 10, 2004 at a Stephenville Nursing Home. Services were Wednesday, May 12, 2:00 p.m. at the Higginbotham Funeral Home Chapel with Denver Rainey officiating. Interment was in the Howard Cemetery.

Mrs. Hall born on August 9, 1909 in Erath County. She married Edwin Ted Hall on September 25, 1924 in Gordon, Texas. He preceded her in death on July 13, 1979. She was a homemaker and a member of the Methodist Church.

She is survived by three daughters, Elsie Ervin of Desdemona, Carol Sue Willis and Linda Hahn both of Arlington, eleven grandchildren, 18 great grandchildren, and 11 great-great grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents, husband, five brothers and three sisters.



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Letter To The Editor

I am writing this letter in support of our Gorman ISD administrators, Gorman ISD trustees, and city officials. Our school administrators and local board of trustees have just endured one of the most trying years possible. I believe they have handled these trying times with much professionalism and class! Every time they have turned around they have had to deal with a group of people that are never in support of any organization, agenda item, or person they choose to attack. You never find this group in support of anything, they're always against it. This past fall and most of the spring, their target has been the administration and board of trustees of the Gorman ISD. This group even tried to get our superintendent and board of trustees indicted. I considered this to be very embarrassing for our school and for Gorman. Needless to say, after investigation, no charges or indictments were levied against the superintendent or the board members.

Three of the ten candidates for trustee are either members of this group or have been asked to run for trustee by this group. They certainly don't have the best interest of the school in mind. They have a vendetta for the superintendent and current board members. They are definitely running for the wrong reasons!

As I stated earlier, I fully support our Gorman ISD administration and current board members. They are trained professionals. Our board of trustees does have some members with little experience, but the only way to gain experience is to serve, learn, and correct your mistakes as you go. Board members of today receive intense training their first year on the board and continued training each year by attending various workshops offered to them. This allows them to grow in knowledge as they gain experience!

I served as a Gorman ISD trustee for fifteen years and know many of the problems a board member faces. Many actions the board takes are state mandated, therefore the board has no choice but to implement what the state sets forth. However, many times the local board and administration gets the blame for these state mandated policies. I'm sure this board, as all other boards before them, have made some mistakes, but I think they have done their best to correct them and perhaps make a better choice next time.

I believe in our school, our administrators, and trustees. Please join me in supporting Bobby Rich, Melinda Harrington, and Beth Underwood with your vote on Saturday, May 15!

I also believe our city has good leadership. Our current mayor and city council have made big strides in correcting some of our city's

problems this year. I believe they will address many more issues and make worthwhile decisions for our city during the coming year.

Please understand, I believe all the candidates for city government this year are upstanding citizens of our community. I do appreciate their interest in Gorman.

As I stated earlier, I support our current mayor and councilmen and ask you to join me in support of Mayor Robert Ervin, and councilmen Adam Hampton and Joey Casey with your vote on Saturday, May 15!

I thank all of you for taking time to read this letter!

Sincerely,
 s/ Daryl Hirst

Relay for Life Garage Sale

The Relay For Life Teams will be setting up at the Carbon City-Wide Garage Sale. We will be at 409 Cannel St. We have several teams there. Come out and visit with us. All proceeds will go to our American Cancer Society's 2005 Relay For Life.

Valerie Hampton

Hamburger Lunch Friday

The Junior High Cheerleaders will be hosting a hamburger lunch Friday, May 14, 2004. The lunch will include a BIG hamburger, chips, and a drink for only \$4.50. You can add an extra hamburger for only \$2.00 more. To place your order in advance please call 734-5082.

Lip Sync-May 19th

The Third Annual Lip Sync Contest will be Wednesday, May 19th beginning at 1:30 in the High School Auditorium. Everyone is invited to attend and celebrate the 70's with the 8th Grade Class.

Thank You

Thank you to the Gorman and DeLeon Fire Departments for responding to our pick-up fire near our home. Their quick response enabled the fire to be contained and kept from spreading. We would also like to thank Troyat Underwood for his assistance in towing the vehicle.

We appreciate your good work.
 s/Pete and Vera Joiner

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The sergeant, an information management supervisor with 14 years of military service, is normally assigned at Eielson Air Force Base, Fairbanks, Alaska.

He is the son of Charlie and Jo Nell Torrez of Gorman. Torrez is a 1986 graduate of Gorman High School.

Thank You

Thanks to the generous people of Gorman and Desdemona, your Rural Carriers collected over 550 pounds of food during the annual food drive, Saturday, May 8, 2004. Though we did not have our promotional flyers available until Friday, May 7, 2004, the employees of the Desdemona and Gorman Post Offices, say THANK YOU for the great response. The food collected will help our local food bank assist those in need in our communities. Remember, every year, the 2nd Saturday in May, your rural Carriers, in conjunction with the NALC City Letter Carriers, made this effort to collect food for their local Food Banks, to help Stamp Out Hunger. Your local carriers were assisted by the Gorman Postmaster, who collected food at many places prior to the carriers normal delivery.

Gorman EDC Talk

What's going to happen to Gorman? (The million dollar question)

Well, who knows, no-one can predict the future! But several Gorman citizens, City officials, along with the EDC board, the Gorman G.R.O.W. & various other committee members, have decided that they are not just going to sit back, & "see what happens."

We would like to make a difference for the people of Gorman, & open up the many wonderful possibilities that lie within Gorman.

There have already been three separate committees formed, to begin work on primarily youth based projects. However, we would also like to start focusing on "business ventures" for Gorman. We have had several great ideas for new business ventures for our town; however, we are always accepting, and urging, new ideas and suggestions from citizens. We need the help of everyone in Gorman to make a difference. We need the "great" minds of several people, working together, to find a reliable plan to restore & revive Gorman. IT CAN BE DONE! We simply need a plan, & a commitment!

The future of Gorman is in our hands, it is up to us what becomes of it.

If you have any suggestions, or ideas, please contact EDC Director Lori Dodd, or Gorman Mayor Robert Ervin. Thank you.

Gorman EDC Minutes

The Gorman Economic Development Corporation held its monthly board meeting on Monday April 12, 2004. The meeting was called to order at 5:50 pm by Secretary Kim Sharp. Board members present were Joe Casey, Mark Simmons, Kim Sharp, Robert Ervin and EDC Director Lori Dodd.

There were no available minutes to read or approve.

Board reviewed the bills, and Mark Simmons made a motion to pay the bills, second by Joe Casey. Motion carried 5-0.

Old Business:

Discussion of a balance owed to the Synergy Corporation for the "Tire Amnesty Day", due to the abundance of tires collected last month. The EDC board agreed to pay * of the balance owed, if the City of Gorman would agree to pay the remaining balance.

The TMCN Network Luncheon is scheduled for April 28th or 29th. Also, the EDC board agreed to enter the TMCN Community Achievement Award program.

There will be a P.A.R.T. meeting on April 29th in Stephenville. This will be to meet with the Small Business Development Center to create a 501c3 for the Procter Area Regional Trade organization.

Lori will attend the Office of Rural Community Affairs (ORCA) Summit on April 26th - 28th.

The next Community Development meeting is scheduled for April 19th @ 6:30 pm at the Community Center. Everyone is invited, and encouraged to attend.

New Business:

Bill Mears, has resigned as President and from the EDC Board, citing job related travel making it impossible to be at meetings. The board accepts his resignation, and will appoint Mr. Leslie Vann as our new board member. The Board decided to hold off on electing new officers for now, and will make that decision during the monthly board meeting in May.

With no further business, a motion was made to adjourn by Mark Simmons, second by Robert Ervin. Motion carried 5-0. Meeting adjourned at 6:29 pm.

Minutes submitted by Kim Sharp.

PEE WEE BASKETBALL

4th Grade Girls Team

The Gorman 4th grade Basketball girls participated in 4 tournaments this year. We placed 2nd in three of the tournaments and 3rd in one. We had several practice games and scrimmages before the tournaments began. We were undefeated in those games.

I want to thank all the parents for letting your girls play this year, and getting them to the practices and games. I would like to thank Morgan Moylan, Crystal Thackerson and Tessia Griffin for your all your help with coaching and keeping books.

The coaches for the 4th grade basketball girls were Michelle Byrd, Morgan Moylan, Crystal Thackerson and Tessia Griffin.

The 4th grade Basketball Girls this year were: Courtney



Shirley, Katey Thackerson, Courtney Carlton, Chelsea Griffin, Carlie Jackson, Ally Little, McKensie Osborn, Mallory May and Erica Olivera.

6th Grade Boys Team



The Sixth Grade boys did a great job during the 2004 basketball season. They played in two Gorman tournaments and one De Leon tournament. The members of the team were: James Brown, Ernie Rodriguez, Tyler Johnson, Taylor Chew, Alex Giles, Ben Burgess, Justin Little, and Jonathan Flores.



Jared Price (19), grandson of George and Frances Price and nephew of Lisa Deel completed 7 weeks of training at Lackland AFB, Texas.

He will have three more months at Lackland for Special Forces indoctrination. He will then be stationed at Fairchild Air Force Base in Spokane, Washington for 2 year training as a Survival Training Instructor.

Eighth Grade Garage Sale

Do you have any items that you would like to donate to the 8th grade class garage sale? If so, contact Vicki Brown at 254-734-4051 or Charles Whitfill at 254-734-4343.

The 8th grade class is having a garage sale on May 15th at Vicki Brown's house, 102 S. Ector. The garage sale will be from 7:00 am till they are sold out!! Come by and support the 8th grade class. All proceeds will go toward the 8th grade promotion on May 27th.

Contact us for any donations -we would be more than happy to pick up any donated items.

Thank you, The 8th Grade Class

Oakland Cemetery Emergency Meeting

Emergency meeting called for the Oakland Cemetery. Due to the rain stopping our Cemetery Business Meeting on May 1, we are calling another one for May 22.

It's important that we have this meeting so we can elect some officers.

If the weather permits, the meeting will be at the cemetery, but in case of bad roads again, the meeting will be held at the Gorman Family Bible Church in Gorman, Texas, 903 North Kent Street.

The meeting will begin at 10:00 a.m. that Saturday morning.

Everyone is needed, so please come if possible.

Opal Burton, Secretary

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20149 - '01 Chevy S10 RC SWB	5 Spd., AC, alum whls, 37K	\$ 7,995
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Desdemona News

By Vonnie Guthery

Thanks to everyone who helped in any way with the Christal Koonce Cogburn Benefit last Tuesday night, May 4, at the Desdemona Community Center. A large crowd attended this event. It is wonderful when family and friends can come together with their donations, their concern and their love to help in this way. Remember Christal in your prayers at this time.

Visitors over the Mother's Day weekend with Robert and Ima Brown were their son, Robert Alton Brown and daughter, Julie of Fort Worth.

Larry and Gay Moore spent Friday and Saturday last week in Midland visiting with their relatives. They reported a good trip.

Dorothy Roberts spent Mother's Day weekend in Fort Worth with her family, Ulenda Weaver, Heather Caddell and children Kelsey and Cameron, Heath Weaver and son Hayden, Ashley Weaver and sons Tanner and Noah, Shelly Mendez and son Samuel all of Fort Worth; Jeff Roberts of Dallas; Mark and Emily Williams and daughter, Kena of Granbury.

Pug and Vonnie Guthery attended the 50th Wedding Anniversary reception for Alton and Clea (Clark) Coffman last Saturday, May, at the Bullock School House north of Ranger. The old school building holds lots of good memories for the residents of this community. One interesting thing about the school house is the south 1/2 of the building is in Eastland County and the north 1/2 is in Stephens County. The ladies of this community do lots of quilting on a regular basis—in fact they have a quilt started and ready to finish at the present time. The building is used for school reunions, socials, quilting groups, etc. Alton attended school in this building.

Betty Jane (Clark) Guthery of Irving is having some health problems. She is in the Baylor Hospital at this time. Jane is a former resident of Desdemona where she attended school and graduated with the Class of 1941. Jane and Clea Coffman are sisters—their mother is the late Eula (Gofforth) Clark who owned a cafe in Desdemona all through the 40's.

Our sincere sympathy goes out to the family of Addie Fonville Slaughter, 93, who passed away May 2, 2004. She was born in Desdemona to Joseph Lafayette and Henrietta Carter Fonville. Burial was on Tuesday, May 4, in the Howard Cemetery, north of Desdemona.

Alta Mae Wilcoxson, Terry and Kerry all of Odessa and Judy of Goldthwaite visited last Saturday with Gary and Jody Walston, Travis Walston and son Trevor, Grant Walston all of Desdemona.

Remember those in our Community who are on the sick list and shut-ins at local rest home with your cards and prayers.

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

Experience the Wild West . . .

John Wesley Hardin Days, May 22nd in Comanche



Just for fun, come to Comanche's Historic Town Square and experience the Wild West Days when this Central Texas town (Est. 1856) was at the western edge of the wild frontier . . . when it was mostly Outlaws, Cowboys and Indians...when the cattle roamed free...when there was a saloon on every corner, and when a many-a horse thief met his fate at the end of a rope.

Come to John Wesley Hardin Days on the Square, Saturday, May 22, starting with a Chuckwagon Breakfast and Historic Bus Tour at 7:15 a.m. (tickets \$15), followed by a Hardin-Webb saloon shoot-out and a James Boys bank robbery. See pioneer craft exhibits and family heritage booths, old movies about John Wesley Hardin and the "1950's Dirt-Sitting in Comanche County," storytelling, John Wesley Hardin (Gentleman-Outlaw) Look-Alike Contest, Historic Walking Tour, Steak-Eating Contest, Western art exhibit, pie cook-off, old-fashioned cake walk, 2K & 5K Outlaw Run/Walk, and Street Dance with country western singer Deryl Dodd from 8:00 p.m. to Midnight.

While in this Texas Main Street city, enjoy viewing Old Cora, the state's oldest log courthouse that sits under the shade of the legendary Fleming Oak. . . visit the Comanche County Historical Museum (JWH exhibits and more) . . . the art deco courthouse and historic fire station both built by the WPA. . . the local newspaper (Est. 1873) located in a restored 1880's mercantile store . . . and the Comanche Public Library with its outstanding genealogy resource center and its extensive Texana collection including books about John Wesley Hardin.

Shop the gift shops, antique stores, home furnishing stores, produce markets, nurseries, western stores...or maybe purchase a pair of western boots (store-bought or hand-made).

Dine at the restaurants with thick, juicy steaks, chicken-fried steak, barbecue, Outlaw beans and cornbread, and Mexican food, get a shave and a hair cut at one of the two turn-of-the-century barbershops, walk with the Walk Across Texas walkers or stroll the walking trails at City Park, and view the beautiful countryside where the white-tail deer play, where many species of birds fly free (Mockingbirds, Roadrunners, Scissor-Tails, hummingbirds, and turkeys, to name a few) and the Bluebonnets, Indian Paintbrush, Buttercups, and Evening Primrose are in full bloom.

For more information or tickets to Chuckwagon Breakfast & Historic Bus Tour, call the Comanche Main Street office 325/356-9558 or 356-2636 or co-chairs Rex Plumlee 356-3543 or Sharolyn Cox 356-2586 or the Chamber of Commerce 356-3233 or website: www.comanchetx.org.

Knowledge is of two kinds. We know a subject ourselves, or we know where we can find information upon it. -Samuel Johnson

Real education should educate us out of self into something far finer; into a selflessness which links us with all humanity. -Nancy Astor

Few things are harder to put up with than a good example. -Mark Twain

If you're going to do something wrong, at least enjoy it. -Leo Rosten

Ranger's 14th Annual Old Time Country Festival

New excitement scheduled for this year—Kid's Events, Old West Show. Saturday, June 5, 2004, Ranger Historical Preservation Society will present the 14th Annual Old Time Country Festival in City of Ranger.

All the excitement and activities will be held on the Society's Heritage Center grounds, 1505 Loop 254 West just 1500 feet from I-H 20, Exit 349 to Ranger.

Festivities will begin at 7 a.m. with the smell of breakfast cooking on open fires. The Cowboy Breakfast consists of sausage, bacon, pancakes, eggs, biscuits, coffee, and orange juice—all for just \$5.00.

The entire day will be filled with fun for all ages—Concessions, Kid's Games, Face Painting, Drawing, and Old West Shoot-out, and a grand ol' Country Western Musical. Musicians from all areas are eligible to sign up and participate.

John Hullum will be in charge of sign-up for the Musical. Country Western musicians and signers wishing to participate are requested to contact John at 254-653-2641.

Tickets are available for drawings for Swing from Wal-Mart, and Entry Door from Higginbotham, and an Electric Scooter from an Anonymous Donor. As in years before everyone's favorite "Your Choice" drawing table will be set up and tickets available all day until the 3:30 p.m. drawing time, and the Society's Ranger Souvenirs will be available for sale. 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place ribbons will be awarded for the planned Kids Games. Another event will be Face Painting. A complete schedule is being worked on for all Games and their times, and will be announced in a future news release.

You surely don't want to miss the "Old West Shoot-out" performed by Texas Gunslingers. This group will capture an audience of all ages and following their performance they will give a short program on "Gun Safety."

Any group or individual wishing to volunteer and help with the festival, is asked to call the Society 254-647-5353, Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 12 noon and 1 to 5 p.m. Any and all volunteers are sincerely appreciated.

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KOKOMO NEWS

BY ZELDA JORDAN

Mothers were honored at the Sunday morning Service at the Kokomo Baptist Church on Mother's Day, and corsages were presented to the oldest Mother present, Mrs. Johnnie B. Griffith; the youngest Mother, Mrs. Mike (Crystal) Snider and daughter Rachel; the Mother with the most children present with her, Mrs. James (Jill) Little; and the mother that came farther to the service, Mrs. Doug (Carole) Little of Midland. The church flower chairman, Nancy Hendricks pinned the corsages on the ladies.

Visitors in the service were Doug and Carole Little of Midland and Leon and Glenda Black of Abilene. Woodrow and Helen Browning rendered the special music singing "Supper Time". A song that we could all relate to as we remember hearing our mothers call us in from play or work at mealtime. Bro. Clarence Wilson brought a very timely message to honor all mothers. During the service "Happy Anniversary" was sung to Glenda and Leon Black who will be celebrating their wedding anniversary next week.

Those from the Kokomo Baptist Church going to Heritage Manor in Gorman for the Sunday afternoon service were Bro. Clarence and Leona Wilson, Woodrow and Helen Browning, Johnnie B. Griffith and Nancy Hendricks.

Woodrow and Helen Browning went to Graham on Thursday for a visit with Gary, Rebecca and Emily Browning and Donna, Gary, Lesley, Melanie and Garrett Gatlin and to see Garrett's T-Ball game. They remained for an overnight visit, and Garrett and Emily came home with them on Friday morning. They took Emily and Garrett home on Saturday and attended Melanie's dance recital.

James Webb and family of Glen Rose and Stacy Webb and family of Comanche met Oren and Norma Webb at Proctor Lake for a Mother's Day weekend get together. Many friends joined them for a fun time.

Jimmy and Verna Lee Little were shopping in Weatherford on Thursday and enjoyed a meal before returning home, a Mother's Day gift to Verna Lee from James Little and family. Ray Neal and Melissa Little of Eastland and James, Jill, Ashley and Breckley Little visited with Jimmy and Verna Little on Mother's Day. There was also a telephone visit with Emily Little of Lubbock. Jimmy and Verna Lee met Nelda, Cody and Jarad Fails of Arlington in Fort Worth for supper and an early Mother's Day celebration on Friday night.

Jimmy and Verna Little visited with the family of Joyleen Hicks of Ranger at the Edwards Funeral Home in Eastland on Sunday night. Mrs. Hicks was buried in the Flatwoods Cemetery following her funeral in Eastland on Monday. Mrs. Hicks was a cousin of Verna Lee. We extend sincere sympathy to the family.

Joe and Glynda Bond visited during the Mother's Day weekend in Copperas Cove with Shannon, Stephanie and Raegan Bond and attended church with them on Sunday.

Sunday visitors with Sylvia Buchanan were Tina Billingsley of West Columbia, her dad Charlie Sisson of Stephenville, Julieanna Young of Lake Jackson, and Nancy Hendricks.

Glenda and Leon Black of Abilene visited with her Mother, Zelda Jordan on Sunday and they enjoyed lunch at the Hiway 6 Café in De Leon. They enjoyed a telephone visit with Glenda's son, Joe Miles of Austin. Zelda also enjoyed a telephone visit with Cindy and Kayla Jordan of Lubbock.

Beverly and Bob Phariss of Haskell visited with Larry and Betty Strube on Saturday.

Doug and Carole Little of Midland visited during the weekend with Betty Little. Karen Patterson of Eastland visited with them on Saturday.

Those visiting with Nancy Hendricks were Monie Fay Craddock of Stephenville, Julieanna Young of Lake Jackson, Charlie Sisson of Stephenville, Tina Billingsley of West Columbia, Charlie and Jonell Torrez, Charlie Torrez, Jr. Ike Torrez and Reid Torrez of Gorman, Darlene Hampton of Carbon, Johnnie B. Griffith, Sylvia Buchanan and Zelda Jordan.

Gene and Kay Snider and Bill and Helen Collum of Desdemona visited with Dale, Kathy, Scott and Matt Collum at Huckabay on Friday night. Mike, Crystal and Rachel Snider of Gorman visited with Gene and Kay Snider.

Those visiting with LaVon Snider recently were Carolyn Eaves of Brownwood, and Dwayne and Connie Snider of Stephenville. Saturday, LaVon was invited to the home of Clay, Susan, McKinsey, Caitlin, and Kyann Wheat at Ranger for a back-yard cookout to help Kyann celebrate her 8th birthday.

Family Reunion and 60th Wedding Anniversary Celebration

Aline Garrett of Gorman and her sisters, Anita and George Thompson of Palo Alto, CA, and Adina Coke of McKinney and their sisters-in-law, Earline and Thomas Moore, Myrtle Kimmell and Jewel Kimmell all of De Leon and their families gathered at the Senior Citizen's Building in De Leon on Sunday, May 9, 2004 for a family reunion and to honor Anita and George Thompson on their 60th wedding anniversary and to celebrate Mother's Day.

Aline's daughter and family, Aletha and Durwood Burgess of Kokomo, Billy and Cheryl Burgess of Granbury, Angela, Jeff, Haley and Chelsea Buckley of Desdemona, Danny and Charla Burgess of Gorman and Ben Burgess of Gorman were among those attending. The entertainment was by the Kimmell nephews and a niece.

Aline, Adina and Anita and George are visiting in De Leon this week with the sisters-in-law, Earline and Thomas Moore, Myrtle Kimmell and Jewel Kimmell.

"Happy Anniversary" to my daughter and son-in-law, Glenda and Leon Black of Abilene on May 17th.

Cooking Ideas

(NAPSA)—If you've been thinking about trimming the fat at your family's table, try talking turkey. Nutritionists say turkey can be a low-fat, high protein alternative to many other foods—and turkey can be served in a number of ways, not just as a whole bird. Some experts recommend a program called The Two-Day Turkey Trim, sponsored by Bally Total Fitness and Honey-suckle White brand turkey products (Shady Brook Farms on the East Coast). The program advocates regular physical fitness activities and substituting a lower calorie food, such as turkey, for dinner twice a week on Tuesday and Thursday. For turkey recipes and tips, visit www.turkeytrim.com.

There's no doubt about it—grilling has become a year-round cooking method. And vegetables on the grill are more and more popular. Artichokes make a surprisingly wonderful choice and thanks to the several growing areas of Ocean Mist Farms, the country's largest grower/shipper of



fresh artichokes, this tasty vegetable is available throughout the year. Aside from being delicious, artichokes are nutrient dense—a good source of fiber, vitamin C, folate and magnesium. Remember, when choosing fruits and vegetables from the five color groups—red, yellow/orange, white, green and blue/purple—to include artichokes on your list for the green group. For more information about artichokes, go to www.oceanmist.com. For more information about 5 A Day The Color Way, visit www.5aday.org and www.aboutproduce.com.

ITEMS OF INTEREST

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

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

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. Daryl Hirst, Master — Bob Wilkerson, Secretary.

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

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 - NOVEMBER 19TH FROM 9 - 12 NOON.

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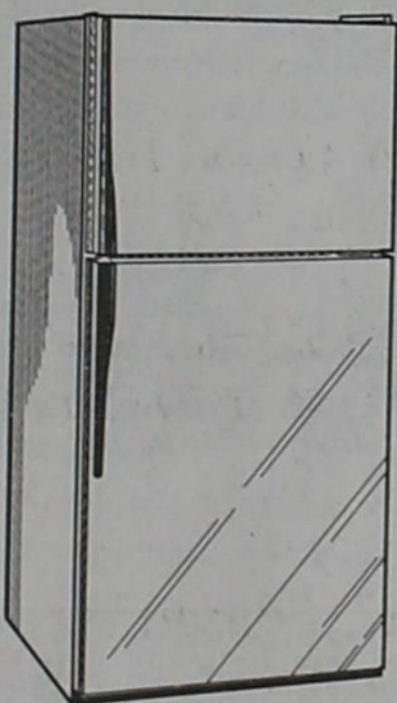
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GORMAN GROW MEETING — The Gorman Grow will meet on the Third Monday of every month at 6:30 p.m. in the Gorman Senior Citizen Building. Contact Payton Vaughn, Veronica Seaton or Lori Dodd.

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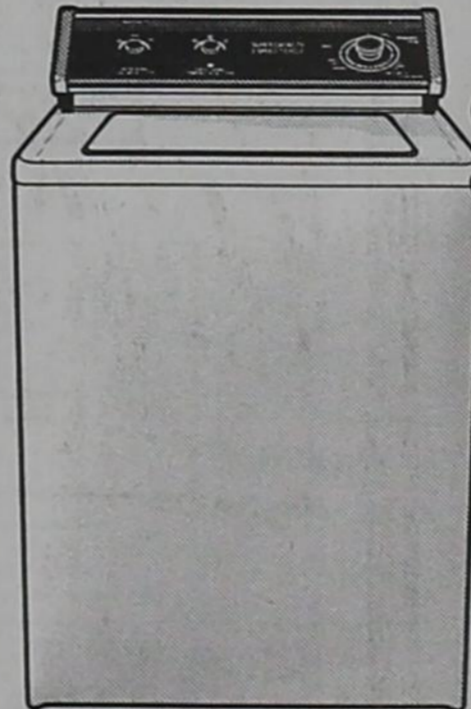
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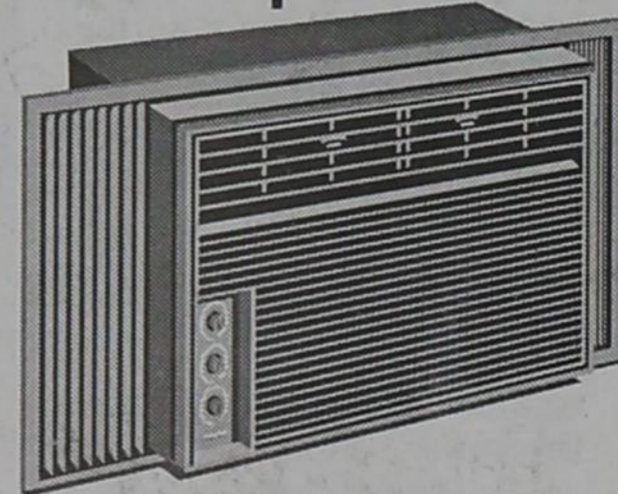
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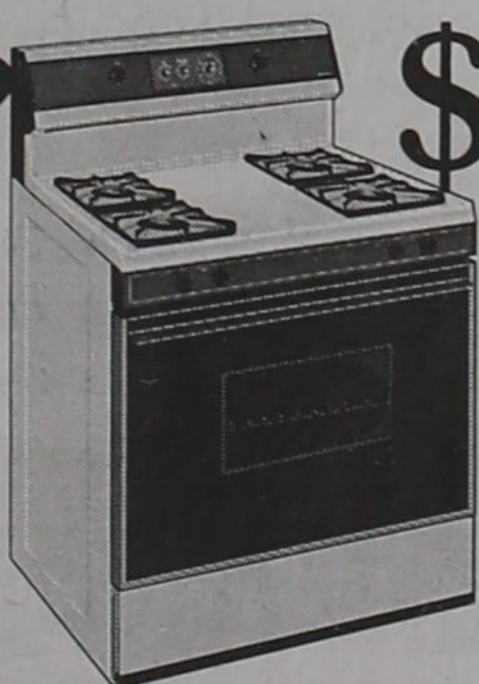
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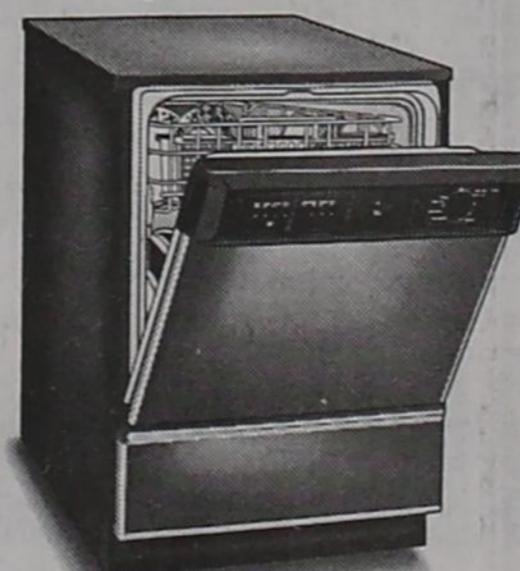
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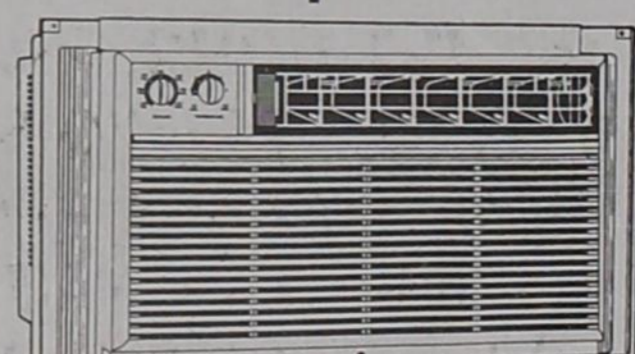


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Heritage Manor News By Nancy Hendricks

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And replace there something new.

Something that will grow and blossom;
Something that everybody needs;
There's no room in Life's fair garden
For the ugly growth of weeds.

Weeds of anger and of malice,
Will grow strong beyond control
If we nourish them, and keep them
In the garden of the soul.

Plant the golden deeds of goodness,
and the sweetness of a smile,
Cultivate them in your memory—
For these things make life worthwhile.

Birthday Party

On Friday afternoon, April 30 was the April Birthday Party. Three residents were honored for having April birthdays. The group sang "Happy Birthday." Hot pop corn and coke floats were served. A large number of residents were present. Others attending were Ina Smith, Shannuk Bass and Nancy Hendricks.

Recent guests were James and Mary Jessie of Abilene, Sylvia Estes of Carbon, Bill and Tootie Campbell.

On Sunday morning, those coming from the First Baptist Church were Tootie Campbell and Vickie Seay. Tootie taught the lesson for twenty five residents. The lesson was "Trusting God." How can I know what a right relationship with God and whether I am in it? Bible passage Proverbs 3:5-6 and 1 John 2:1-11, key verse Proverbs 3:5. Guests were Howard and Pat Hagood and Bobby and Joan Baker.

Some guests were Gary Owens of Abilene, Sue and Lee Pettigrew of Desdemona, Larry and DeLinda Snider, Diana Snider, Bobby and Peggy Ingram, Maudie Husband of Cisco, and Mary Ann Alexander.

On Sunday afternoon, those coming from the First Baptist Church were Rev. Bill and Tootie Campbell, Thomas and Vickie Seay, Brent Lasater, Louise Hall and Ruthie Rodgers. Bro. Bill's message was "What's in a Name." Bible passage Matthew 1-16. There were 21 residents present. Thomas Seay led singing.

Some guests were Don Landers of Springtown, Dorothy Roberts of Desdemona, Ernestine Campbell, Woodrow and Helen Browning.

Monday morning, Pat Graham, Judy Kimbrow and Ina Smith had bingo for ten residents. Residents enjoyed refreshments.

Some visitors were Bonnie Croft of Lake Leon, Tisha and Daniel Grice of Stephenville, Max and Janice Grice of Brownfield, Irene West, and Ann Warren.

On Monday morning, Karen Guthery came and styled residents' hair. Some guests were Denver Rainey, Bricie Shupp and Kayla Biers, Bessie Shupp, Carla Matthews, Christi Claude and Freddie Sadberry of DeLeon, Jeannie and Kathy Taylor and Doralye Belyue of Ft. Worth. Residents appreciated the good magazines that were donated.

Visiting were Bobby and Joan Baker of Desdemona, Storny Hurd, Dezi Murphey, Thomas Hurd, Kris Smith, James and Ruby Lee Kinser, Wilbur Overstreet.

Monday afternoon those coming for the Gospel Singing were Billy Joe Dennis, Ruby Lee Kinser, Ann Warren, Daisy Slaton, Ernestine Campbell and Nancy Hendricks. Billy Joe and Ruby Lee sang a special. Coming and going were eleven residents.

Some guests were Levi Roberts, Kendra Roberts, Shanna Roberts, Shaylor Roberts, Anna Lee and Bo Roberts, Winston Brown, Kennard

and Doyle Roberts of Gustine, Rodney and Vickie Roberts of Stephenville.

Tuesday morning, Betty Duke of Desdemona came and played the electric keyboard and led singing for twelve residents.

Recent guests were Vickie and Thomas Seay, Tommy Lynn Seay of Lubbock, James Bruton of Eastland, E.G. and Nancy Henderson of Lake Leon, C.J. Henderson of Abilene.

On Tuesday afternoon the residents watched a movie.

Visitors were S.E. and Melba Carter of Eastland, Roy and Charlotte Johnson, Paul and Pat Johnson of Lubbock, Clyde and DeSha Johnson of Stephenville.

The next Birthday Party will be Friday, May 28 at 2:00 p.m. Six residents will be honored for having May birthdays. Relatives and guests are welcome.

Some guests were Dee Smithey, Wynogene Smith, Barbara Smith, Larry Stogsdill, Durward Webb, Johnnie B. Griffith, Nancy Hendricks, Howard and Pat Hagood.

On Wednesday morning, Rev. Bill Campbell of First Baptist Church came and had Bible Study. "Thanks to a Living God" scripture reading 1 Coms. 15-57. Fifteen residents were present.

Some guests were Steve and Dorenda Mendon of Buchanan Dam, Jerry Majors of DeLeon, Lendon and Frankie Jo Shipman.

Wednesday afternoon residents enjoyed "Crazy Bingo" with Ina Smith.

Visiting were Donald Lee Joiner of Houston Amber Craddock of Comanche, Howard and Barbara Joiner of Arlington, Lucille Joiner and Joyce Bramlett of Stephenville, Billie Jean Grisham of DeLeon, Ennis and Nina Joiner, Becky Moore, Randy and Lesley Green and Emily Green of DeLeon.

Residents send "Get Well Wishes" to Stanley Porter.

Some guests were Jewel Dean Morris and Bonnie D. Stewart of DeLeon, Lyndon and Shelly Morgan of Garland, Lonnie and Edith Grumbles.

Thursday morning residents enjoyed "Concentration."

Visiting were Jo Carey and Midlothian, Maxine Frasier of DeLeon, Durward Webb.

Thursday afternoon was all quiet and residents enjoyed a movie.

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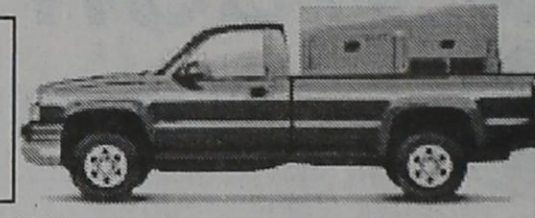
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Children's Health

Bald Is Not Always Beautiful Highly Contagious Fungal Infection Can Cause Permanent Hair Loss in Children

(NAPSA)—Baldness is a fashion statement for many adults, and one that is reversible. Children, however, are not always so lucky.

Children are extremely susceptible to a highly contagious fungal infection that can result in permanent scarring and baldness. This condition, known as tinea capitis, or ringworm of the scalp, is endemic among the African-American and Hispanic communities. It is most common in African-American boys age three to nine, but has been diagnosed in females, infants, toddlers, older children and adults of all ethnicities.

Ringworm of the scalp can be difficult to detect if you don't know the warning signs. Early symptoms such as itchy scalp, or scaly and flaking patches of skin can be easily confused with common ailments such as dandruff, or even head lice. Many people who assume their child has either condition will simply treat their child with an over-the-counter remedy—without consulting a physician.

"Dandruff is not something that many five year olds have," said Dr. Marcia Glenn, owner and director of Odyssey MediSpa. "I advise all parents of young children who complain of an itchy, flaky scalp and skin to see a doctor. If not properly treated, the symptoms could worsen and the fungus could easily spread to other family members."

Contrary to its name, ringworm is not actually a worm or insect of any kind. It is a common and highly contagious fungal infection of the scalp. It is spread through direct contact with the infected area or by touching anything that comes into contact with it. Children that share hairbrushes, combs, hats, and bedding etc. are at high risk for spreading the fungus.

Ringworm of the scalp grows inside the hair shaft. Dandruff shampoos, creams and other remedies applied directly to the scalp simply cannot penetrate the hair shaft. Without proper medical attention, hair may become fragile and break off. Even mild symptoms



You can protect your youngsters and their hair from a serious fungal infection.

can progress to include pus-filled sores, swollen lymph nodes in the neck and permanent hair loss. Treatment with oral prescription medication is the only cure.

"The spring and summer seasons are the most common seasons for ringworm of the scalp," continued Dr. Glenn. "Playgrounds can be breeding grounds for fungal infections. Children share everything from ice cream cones to beach towels and hairbrushes. It is important that all parents educate their children on how to avoid ringworm of the scalp."

Teaching children to practice safe behaviors can help prevent ringworm of the scalp. Learning to recognize the warning signs can stop the disease progression that may lead to permanent hair loss. To help protect your children from ringworm, doctors recommend the following:

- Teach children not to share brushes, hats, hooded sweatshirts or any other items that come in contact with the head
- Tell children to let you know if their scalp itches or if they notice dandruff-like flakes
- Wash items that touch the hair like combs, brushes, hats, etc. in hot, soapy water

If you notice signs of ringworm on your child, it's important to see a doctor or dermatologist right away. The condition is easily treatable with prescription medications. More tips and information on ringworm of the scalp can be found online at www.aboutgrifulvin.com, or by calling 800-426-7762.

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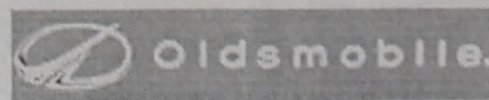
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