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Kaci Seaton Named Peanut Festival Queen



Kaci Seaton is shown above after being named the Peanut Festival Queen for 2003-2004. She was crowned immediately following the pa-

Peanut Festival Says Thank You

The 2003 Peanut Festival was a Big Success thanks to all the hard work of each chairperson and their committees.

Marilyn (Stewart) Warren, ex-student, and The Gorman Progress did a great job getting the news about the Peanut Festival out to Gorman and the surrounding towns.

The downtown area was decorated and ready for the Festival, thanks to Lisa Deel who painted the windows, Robert Ervin, Glenn Scitern, Charlie Buckmaster, Joe Williams, Shawn Boles and the Ag. Students.

Vendors started setting up early Friday afternoon. On Sat. Morning some vendors started setting up before 6:30 a.m. Janet Sanders did a great job getting 28 vendors to the festival.

Ex-students, Amy Scitern Johnston and Brenda Scitern Tucker did a great job with The Little Goobers Parade everyone always enjoys watching the kids and all the 'Little Goobers' really showed their spirit.

We had a great parade thanks to Julie Brown Clark(another exstudent) and her helpers: Shirley Good, Jerrilyn Wilkerson, Roger Woodall, Jr. Hampton, ex-students, Tacy (Burns)Keith, Billy Don Simpson ,and Lupe Torres. We really appreciate Julie for getting the ex-students who are currently in the military to serve as our Grand Marshals. We wish more of them could have been here. But it was an honor to have Brian Simpson, Aaron Grice, and Clay Sandlin here. Thank you guys for leading our parade and fighting for our country.

Daryl Hirst, ex-student, did a great job emceing the parade. Helping him were Durwood and Aletha (Garrett) Burgess, and Gene Foster.

We appreciate all those who have served in the Military and took part in our opening ceremony. Each one was presented with a small American Flag, compliments of American State Bank.

Paula Eaves Harris did a wonderful job singing the National Anthem. Paula is also a ex-student. Thank you Paula.

BLOOD DRIVE A SUCCESS

On behalf of the Gorman Lions Club and Meek Blood Center, we would like to thank those who donated blood this year. We ended up with 22 units which is wonderful! When you give blood, you are giving the Gift of Life!!

Center Fish Fry And **Monthly Musical**

Desdemona Community Center will sponsor a Fish Fry Fund-Raiser on Saturday, September 27, 2003. Serving will begin at 5:30 p.m. Cost is by donation.

All proceeds go toward the funding of the "West End Building Renovation Project."

The Desdemona Monthly Musical will be held as usual in conjunction with the Fish Fry. All musicians and public are invited to enloy music and good food.

Everyone is welcome!

Fall Festival Set October 6

The Elementary Student Council will be having their Fall Festival on October 6th from 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM. There will be games, activities, and a concession stand. Tickets will be sold for \$0.25 each or 5 for \$1.00. Please come join in on the fun. We hope to see all of you there!

Parade Vinners

We hope everyone enjoyed the Parade this year. I would like to thank Joy Rogers, Shirley Good, Jerri Wilkerson, Billy Don Simpson, and Lupe Torres and a very Special Thank You to Traci Keith. could not have gotten a lot of things together without their help.

Our Parade Winners were: Cheer Squad: 1st Gorman Jr. High Cheerleaders; 2nd DeLeon Jr. High Cheerleaders

Bands: Just one this year, 1st Gorman High School

Business: 1st Taco Bell, 2nd Smith Service Station, 3rd, Birdsong Pea-

Sweethearts & Duchesses: 1st Miss and Little Miss Gorman, 2nd Peach and Melon Festival Queen and Little Miss, 3rd Gorman Peanut Queen; 1st Duchess Car Amanda Hair.

Homecoming Floats: 1st Ex-Student Association, 2nd Class of '63, 3rd Class of '56.

Civic: 1st First Baptist Church RA's and GA's, 2nd Gorman Housing Authority, 3rd Heritage Manor Special/Unique: 1st Two Frank Knives, 2nd Miniature Model Ford Truck-Bill Babbitt, 3rd Bob Gibson Tractors: 1st R.W. Hampton, Jr., 2nd Glen Hall-M Farmall, 3rd Bud Steed-John Deere

Continued On Page Three Cars: 1st Clarence & Nelda Evett 1947 Ford Convertible, 2nd Dave and Linda Lorance 1957 Nash, 3rd J.R. Tackett

> Horse: Oldest (once again) Lloyd Glasson at 86, Youngest Karsyn Scitern 1 yr. old, 1st Comanche County Sherrif Posse, 2nd Misfits-Kenneth Rainey Family

Desdemona Community Panthers Drop Pirates 38-6; Play At Evant Friday Night

GAME AT A GLANCE

| Gorman | n Perri | Perrin-Whitt | | |
|---------|---------------|--------------|--|--|
| 18 | First Downs | 6 | | |
| 45/319 | Carries/Yds. | 12/-11 | | |
| 65 | Yds. Passing | 97 | | |
| 4 of 12 | Passes/Comp. | 5 of 22 | | |
| 0 | Interceptions | 2 | | |
| 2-1 | Fumbles/Lost | 2-2 | | |
| 3/25 | Punts/Avg. | 6/25 | | |
| 12/100 | Penalties | 5/35 | | |

The Panthers finally woke up Friday night in the game with Perrin-Whitt in a penalty plaqued the first two quarters, they came alive in the second half scoring 12 38-6 victory. The Panthers were hit 56 yards on 11 carries. with 12 penalties for 100 yards.

After playing on even terms for most of the initial quarter the Panthers started a drive from their own 46 and scored in only six plays with Roberto Rodriquez getting the final 7 yards on a run with 1:08 left. The kick try failed and Gorman led 6-0. The drive featured runs of 4 and 14 by Tim Guerra and 4 and 3 by Rodriquez.

Then after holding the Pirates and forcing a punt, the Big Red took the ball on their own 41 and went the distance in 10 plays with Sawyer Wright getting the honors from 10 yards out on a run with 6:12 left in the half. A pass from Ryan Wright to Sawyer added the 2 pointer for a 14-0 lead at halftime for the Panthers. The drive featured runs of 2 and 11 by Sawyer and 17, 3 and 1 by Guerra and 18 by

During the intermission the Pirate Cheerleaders and Drill Team performed routines and the Panther Marching Band thrilled the fans with their routines.

The teams exchanged possessions two times each before the Panthers got a break by intercepting a Pirate pass by Zachary Bryan to set them up at the Pirate 24 yard line. From there Gorman scored in just two plays when Ryan Wright hit Rodriquez on a beautiful 22 yard pass for the score with 5:27 left in the third. The pass try for 2 points failed and Gorman was up 20-0.

After exchanging possessions on a couple of occasions the Panthers got another break when they intercepted a Pirate pass by Lance Jones and returned it to the Perrin-Whitt 15. After being hit with a 10 yard holding penalty, Ryan Wright tossed a strike to Sawyer Wright on a great 25 yard pass for the score with just 22 seconds left in the third. The kick try failed and Gorman was up

Then after holding the Pirates and forcing a punt the Big Red took the ball on the 50 yard line and scored in just two big plays with Rodriquez setting the Panthers up on the Pirate 4 on a sizzling 46 yard scamper. Sawyer Wright got the

score on 4 yard run with 10:39 left in the game. The run for points failed and Gorman led 32-0.

Following another Pirate turnover via the fumble route the Big Red took the ball on their own 47 and scored in just two plays with Rodriquez getting the the 53 yards on a electrifying run with 9:39 left in the game. The kick try again failed and Gorman was up 38-0.

After being held all game by the Big Red defense the Pirates got the ball on their own 28 and scored in 7 plays with Phillip Eakman getting a 35 yard bomb from Cody Seaton to set the Pirates up at the Gorman 5. Cody Seaton carried in for the score with 2:05 left in the game. The try for points failed and the final score was 38-6.

The Big Red Defense did a good job all night holding the Pirates to a minus 11 yards on the ground after tackling the Pirate passer for minus yardage on numerous ocassions and allowing only 97 yards on passes game and after scoring 14 points in and most of those came on the last drive by the Pirates.

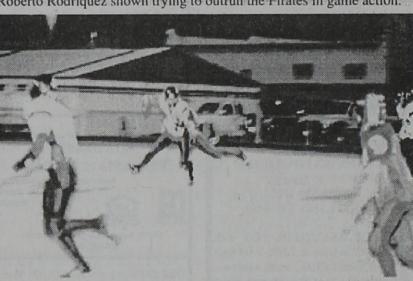
Roberto Rodriquez led the Panthers with a whopping 192 yards on 13 carries and catching one pass for a score and scoring on 53 yard run and in each of the last two quarters for a 7 yarder. Tim Guerra had 71 yards on 12 tries and Sawyer Wright ran for

> The Big Red defense will be put to the test this Friday night at Evant when they take on the Elks. The Elks are much improved and they always give the Panthers a real battle, so follow the Panthers to Evant and shown them our support.

Go Get 'Em Big Red!!!



Roberto Rodriquez shown trying to outrun the Pirates in game action.



Trent Withers show above sacking the Pirates quarterback.

Strieff and Thomas Pledge Nuptials



Brandy Dale Streiff of Carbon and Sgt. Brandon Y. Thomas of the U.S. Army were married on Friday, August 29, 2003, in a garden ceremony at the home of Roger and Ann Boone, aunt and uncle of the bride.

Parents of the bride are Tim and Vonda Streiff of Carbon. Grandmother of the bride is Martha Boone of Carbon. Brother of the bride is Cory Lee Streiff of USAF stationed at Kessler AFB, Miss.

Mother of the Groom is Teresa Ayers of Coffeyville, KS. Sister is Sarah Thomas of Coffeyville, KS.

After a short honeymoon trip to Kansas, the groom returned to active duty and was deployed to Iraq on September 10. The bride will remain in Carbon until his return in about one year

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.

First Monday Prayer Meeting at Gorman Senior Center at 7:00

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.

FOOD

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GORMAN GROW MEETING — The Gorman Grow will meet SANDRA CAGLE WILL BE IN GORMAN THE THIRD WEDNES

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

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.

on the Third Monday of every month at 6:30 p.m. in the Gorman DAY OF EACH MONTH AT THE CITY OFFICE TO RENEW Senior Citizen Building. Contact Payton Vaughn, Veronica AUTO LICENSE PLATES. HER NEXT VISIT - OCTOBER 15TH

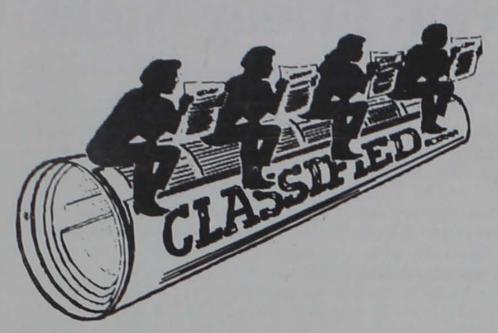
Obituaries

Janie R. Garcia

Janie R. Garcia, 49, of DeLeon, passed away on Friday, September 19, 2003 in Fort Worth. Rosary was Sunday, September 21 at Nowlin Funeral Home Chapel. Services were Monday, September 22, 2003 at the Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church with Father Philip McNamara officiating. Burial was in the DeLeon Cemetery.

Mrs. Garcia was born on July 1, 1952 in Corpus Christi, TX to Crispin Rubio and Librada Castillo Rubio. She married Valdemar Hogan Garcia on July 3, 1971 in DeLeon. She was a homemaker and had resided in DeLeon most of her life. She was a Catholic.

Survivors include her husband; Hogan Garcia of DeLeon; one son, George Garcia of DeLeon; her parents Crispin and Librada Rubio of DeLeon; two brothers, Freddy Rubio and Robert Rubio, both of Ft. Davis, TX; and two sisters, Sara Reyna of DeLeon and Josie Lopez of Granbury; 3 grandchildren, Blaine Garcia, Colin and Kaley Garcia.



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Thank You Peanut Festival Entertainers

The entertainment at this year's Peanut Festival was enjoyed by many. We would like to take this opporturnity to thank those who delighted audiences of Festival goers with their talents.

Entertainers this year were: Paula Harris, Lyndell Underwood, Philip Lewis, Peanut Shuffle Dance Studio, Jesus Possee Band, Dr. Dan Brudnak, and The Howards.

Cecilia Hirst, Entertainment Coordination-Gorman Peanut Festival

Gorman ISD Earns State's Highest **Fiscal Accountability Rating**

Gorman Independent School District officials announced that the district received a rating of "Superior Achievement" under Texas' new Schools FIRST financial accountability rating system. The Superior Achievement rating is the state's highest, demonstrating the quality of Gorman ISD's financial management and reporting system.

This is the first year of Schools FIRST (Financial Accountability Rating System of Texas), a financial accountability system for Texas school districts developed by the Texas Education Agency in response to Senate Bill 875 of the 76th Legislature in 1999. The primary goal of School FIRST is to achieve quality performance in the management of school districts' financial resources, a goal made more significant due to the complexity of accounting associated with Texas' school finance system.

"We are very pleased with Gorman ISD's School FIRST rating," said GISD Superintendent Leslie Vann, "as is shows that our district is making the most of our taxpayers' dollars. This rating shows that Gorman's schools are accountable not only for student learning, but also for achieving these results cost-effectively and efficiently."

The Schools FIRST accountability rating system assigns one of four financial accountability ratings to Texas school districts, with the highest being "Superior Achievement," followed by "Above-Standard Achievement," "Standard Achievement" and "Substandard Achievement." Districts with serious data quality problems may receive the additional rating of "Suspended-Data Quality." Districts that receive the Substandard Achievement" or Suspended-Data Quality" ratings under Schools FIRST must file a corrective action plan with the Texas Education Agency.

Day Computer Classes Set Sept. 29 - Oct. 1

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The free computer classes Jackie at 734-2984 or Lori at 734funded by Rural Texas Acces 3933. through a TIF grant cotinue to offer day and evening classes. All supplies needed are furnished so there's no cost to attend. The classes are taught at the Gorman Community Technology Center. The Technology Center is located inside of the Community Center and has lots of equipment ready to be used by area citizens. The schedule for the coming week is:

Day classes beginning at 1 pm:

Monday, September 29 - CDs Are Not Flying Saucers - Learn how to burn CDs and use them to store your music and documents.

Tuesday, September 30 - Keyboarding - Learn how to increase your keyboarding accuracy and speed.

Wednesday, October 1 - Purchasing Equipment - Learn how to purchase computer equipment and get the most for your money.

Evening classes beginning at 7 pm

Monday, September 29 - Beginning Powerpoint - Learn how to use Microsoft Powerpoint to create custom presentations

Tuesday, September 30 - Advanced Powerpoint - Continue learning how to use Microsoft Powerpoint to create custom presentations.

Wednesday, October 1 - Digital Photography - Learn how to use a digital camera to capture all of your precious moments.

Don't forget about our free drawing this month for a digital camera. Every class you attend allows you to add your name to our drawing so the more classes you attend the better your chances are

Registration is not required and all classes are free. If you need additional information please contact

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Eastland County Commissioners* Court Lifts Burning Ban

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In making this announcement, The Commissioners' Court expressed its appreciation to the various fire fighters, fire departments, and all other citizens of Eastland County who cooperated so diligently in helping to alleviate the emergency condition of dangerous wild fire.

Respectfully submitted,

Eastland County Commissioners' Court s/ Brad Stephenson, County Judge

FUNDAY

Date: September 27, 2003 Place: Ericksdahl Picnic Grounds Time: 4:30 to 8 p.m.

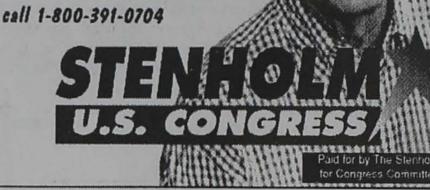
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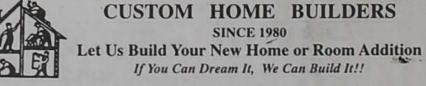
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Peanut Festival Says Thank You

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After the parade everyone enjoyed all the great food, and different booths. Then the entertainment began. Everyone has stated this was the best entertainment we have had in years, Thanks again to another exstudent, Cecilia Self Hirst.

One of the highlights of the afternoon was the presentation of our 2003-2004 Peanut Queen, Kaci Seaton. Kaci is the daughter of Vernoica (Knight) and Jeff Seaton, both ex-students.

We had a lot of mouth watering entries in our Gourmet Goober Bake Off. Liz Caraway did a great job and had some great prizes to give away. The kids games were enjoyed by kids, young and old. Kevin Scitern, another ex-student had some great games for everyone.

We had 12 teams entered in the 42 tournament. Robbie Dodd has done a great job and every year has more teams enter.

There were not as many cars entered in the Goober Car show as was anticipated, but Jeannie Whittier did a great job again this year.

Kathy Torres did a great job making snow cones. We appreciate her running this booth for us. Also we would like to thank Abe Torres and Matt Fritz for helping.

All the kids enjoyed having the Air Castle to jump in. We are sorry we were unable to use the slide as it had holes in it. Melinda Harrington, exstudent, did a great job making sure everyone had a turn, and also helped out in the Dr. Pepper booth. Also helping in the Dr. Pepper booth were: Johnny Smith, Kevin Scitern, and Ray Sanders. We would never have made it without their help.

We thank the ex-student association for being a part of our 2003 festival and look forward to many more years of sharing the Peanut Festival and Homecoming

We want to thank each and everyone who helped in anyway for makthis the best Peanut Festival ever. If we have left off anyone who helped has been, we apologize, it was not done intentionally so please let The Peanut Festival Committee, .

Carbon High School Classes of 1945, 146, 1947 and 1948 to have Class Reunions

The Carbon High School classes of 1945, 1946, 1947 and 1948 will meet for their class reunions at ZJ's Steak House in Gorman on Friday, October 3, 2003 at 5:30 p.m. Anyone who was ever in any of these classes and all teachers are invited to attend. Spouses and family are welcome too. The separate classes will have their own tables arranged where they can sit together. For more information please call Zelda Jordan at 254-639-2289.

Please be reminded of the Carbon Golden Exes Meeting at Carbon Community Center on Saturday, October 4.

Notice Of Public Meeting To Discuss Gorman ISD's State Financial Accountability Rating

Gorman ISD will hold a Public Meeting at 7:30 p.m., October 13, 2003 in the High School Library, 114 West Lexington, Gorman, Texas.

The purpose of this meeting is to discuss Gorman ISD's rating on the State's Financial Accountability System.

A. O. Easley Trucks, Inc. Receives "Gold Safety Award"



A.O. Easley Trucks, Inc. presented with safety award. Shown here is Rusty Davis of Great West Casualty presenting the "Gold Safety Award:" plaque to Rhett Harrison. Awards are based upon millions of miles traveled annually in relation to chargeable accidents. Rhett dedicates this achievement to, "the many safety conscious employees, strong management team, and the acquisition of new and late model equipment of A.O. Easley Trucks." Great West is one of the foremost insurance providers in

the trucking industry.

ORDINANCE #2003 - 04 CITY OF GORMAN MOBILE HOME AND MANUFACTURED HOUSING ORDINANCE

AN ORDINANCE GOVERNING THE INSTALLA-TION OF MOBILE HOMES AND MANUFACTURED HOUSING. PROVIDING FOR REGULATIONS OF PERMITS, AGE OF STRUCTURE, SIZE OF LOT THE STRUCTURE WILL BE RESIDING, UNDER-PINNING OR SKIRTING, ANCHORING, ETC... PROVIDING REQUIREMENTS FOR OBTAINING PERMITS.

ALL MANUFACTURED HOUSING REGULATION IN THE CITY OF GORMAN IS COVERED BY THE "TEXAS MANUFACTURED STANDARDS ACT" AND THE CITY'S "MANUFACTURED HOME STAN-DARDS ORDINANCE".

Jamies Espinoza Honored For 15 Years Of Dedication To Company



Jamie Espinoza was recently acknowledged for over fifteen years of service to A.O. Easley Trucks. In a company ceremony Jamie was presented a ring in appreciation for his dedication to the company.

Thank You

Thank you so much for your concern and support during my surgery and recovery. Jim and I appreciate your prayers most of all. Thank you for the cards, visits, phone calls, and food. We are so fortunate to have wonderful friends and a community that cares.

Sincerely, s/ Karen and Jim Burleson

STROKE SCREENING!

During the month of September, Sharp Imaging will be performing low cost stroke screenings for the citizens of Gorman and surrounding areas. This test is a 10-15 minute, non-invasive, painless, ultrasound test to evaluate your carotid arteries in the neck. (These arteries supply blood and oxygen to the brain.) If there is a build-up of fatty plaque, or any clot formation in these arteries, then it could cause a stroke.

> The cost per test is \$39.00 (Cash, Check or Money Order Only)

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And it helps when the phone company is really part of the local fabric. That's what CCTC is all about. It's why you see us at the livestock show, at the Friday night games,

at church, and at the feed store. You'll find we're one of the leaders in sponsorship of youth activities and Central Texas charities. It's not about buying influence. It's about taking care of our community. Comanche County Telephone Company has a 50-year record of providing reliable telephone service and supporting our communities.

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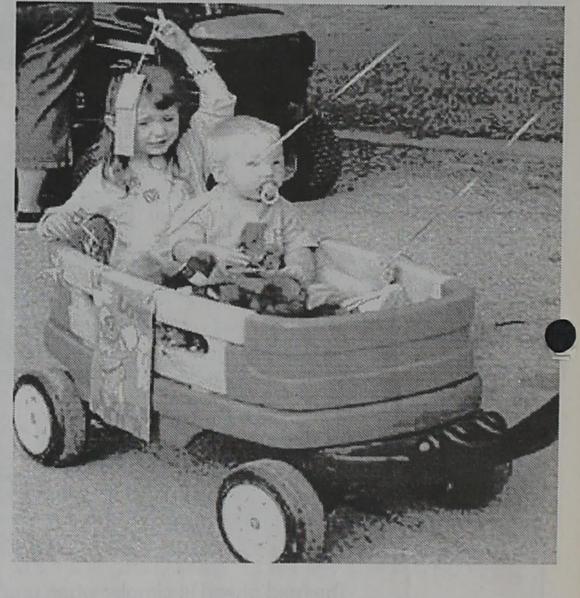
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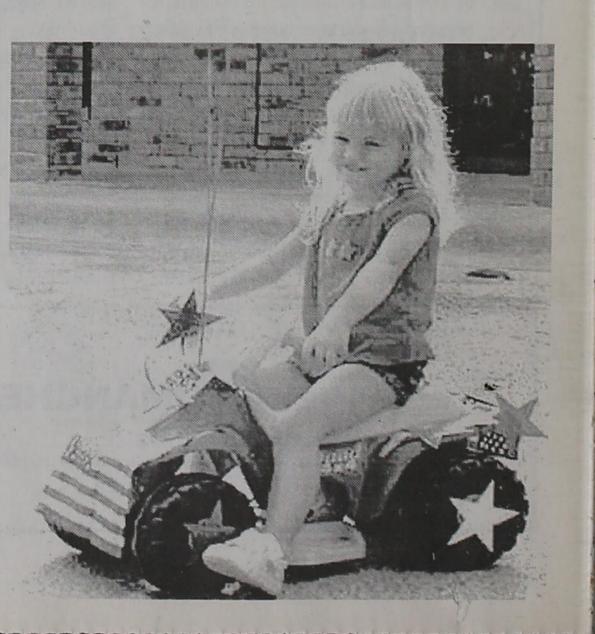








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FORGERY DEFENDANT SENTENCED TO PRISON

Henry Stephen Letney, 36, was transferred from the Eastland County Jail to begin serving his sentence in a state prison. Letney, who was apprehended by the Cisco Police Department, pleaded guilty to forgery by passing in four indictments. Presiding Judge Steven R. Herod sentenced Letney to serve 18 months out of a maximum of 24 months under each indictment. In addition, Letney was ordered to pay restitution to the victim, a Cisco business.

Eastland Co. District Court News JURY ASSESSES PUNISHMENT IN FELONY DWI TRIAL

This past week, twelve citizens of this community, sitting as jurors in the 91st District Court, convicted and sentenced BLAINE EDWARD BROOKSHIRE, a McClennan County resident, to ten years confinement in the Institutional Division of the Texas Department of Criminal Justice suspended and probated for a period of ten years with a \$7,500.00 fine. Brookshire had entered a plea of guilty to the felony DWI charge but asked the jury to assess punishment after presentation of the case by the District Attorney's Office.

Prosecuting Attorney Brenda Seale Gray asked the jury to assess a sentence that would send a strong message to Brookshire and protect the citizens of the community from drunk drivers on the road.

Judge Steven Herod sentenced Brookshire and set the terms and conditions of community supervision including but not limited to provisions that Brookshire serve 15 days in the Eastland County Jail, not operate a motor vehicle for the duration of his probation, submit to an evaluation for alcohol rehabilitation and that Brookshire attend an intoxication manslaughter trial set in December in the 91st District Court.

Criminal District Attorney Russ Thomason and Gray thanked the jury for their service and complemented the DPS Trooper on his testimony

Miss Gorman and Little Miss In Abilene Parade on September 6 - Rachel Grando and Kourtney Seaton



School News Fall Enrollment Monday, Sept. 29th - Gorman Jr.

High vs. Gustine/Moran. Here 4:30 Tuesday, Sept. 30th - Lady Panthers vs Evant. There 5:00 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 1st - Cross Country Meet. Hico

Thursday, Oct. 2nd - Cubs vs Rising Star. Here 6:00 p.m.

Friday, Oct. 3rd - Panthers vs Rising Star Wildcats. There 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 4th - Jr. High and High School Volleyball vs. Mullen. Here 10:00 a.m.

School Menu

Week of September 29

Breakfast

Monday--Cereal, toast, milk, juice fall semester. Tuesday--BK Burritos, oranges, milk, juice

Wednesday--Cheese hashbrowns, milk, juice

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

Lunch

pork-n-beans, fruit

beans, Spanish rice Wednesday--Nachos, meat/cheese, salad, peanut butter bars

Thursday--Chicken nuggets, cr. potatoes, gr. beans, gravy Friday--Cheeseburgers, fries, ice

200 Years of Quilting In **America** "A Narrated

Quilt Show" Town 'n' Country Quilt Guild is sponsoring a free narrated quilt display by historian Sharon Newman. The event will be October 11 from 1 to 2 p.m. at the Chapel on the Bosque on the Stephenville Museum grounds east of the courthouse. It will be part of the By-Gone-Days on the Bosque celebration at the museum planned for 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. The celebration includes blue grass music, campfire lunch, demonstrations of early crafts and skills, and a smithy at his forge. There is no admission charge. Sharon Newman will appraise quilts from 9 a.m. to noon at the Senior Citizens Center on the square, by appointment. Call Peggy DeLaVergne at 445-1784 (rjd@texinet.net) for details.

Record High at CJC

Cisco Junior College is pleased to announce that the fall 2003 registration period has yielded the highest number of enrolled students in the 64-year history of the College. Combined enrollment between the main campus in Cisco and the Abilene Educational Center, along with dual credit courses offered at area high schools, reached a record 3,207 students enrolled for the fall semester.

According to Olin O. Odom III, Dean of Enrollment Management, not only is head count up, but also the amount of time that students spend in the classrooms has increased. Final fall counts show that contact hours, or the number of hours that students are in the classrooms, also reached a record high of 654,912 for the

Cisco Junior College offers a variety of academic toast, courses for transfer and technical programs. CJC awards associate degrees and certificates of completion, as well Thursday--BK Burritos, milk, as Tech Prep courses and other dual credit opportunities for high school students.

For more information regarding Cisco Junior College and the courses of study offered, call the Cisco Campus Monday--Hotdogs, chili/cheese, at (254) 442-2567, the Abilene Educational Center at (325) 673-4567, or log on to the Cisco Junior College Tuesday--Enchiladas, refried web site at www.cisco.cc.tx.us.

KOKOMO NEWS

BY ZELDA JORDAN

The annual Kokomo Baptist Church picnic will be held at the home of Joe and Glynda Bond on will begin around 4:00 p.m. with games of "42", Chicken Foot, etc. Hamburgers with all the trimmings, cold drinks and desserts will be served about 6:00 p.m. Members are asked to bring cookies, brownies, or desserts easily held in hand. Please bring lawn chairs. All members are urged to attend and visitors are wel-

Shannon and Raegan Bond of Copperas Cove, Stacy Webb of Comanche, and Stacy. LaDawn and Alexis Snapp of Lewisville were visitors at the Kokomo Baptist Church on Sunday morning. The special music was rendered by Ruby Lee Kinser singing the beautiful song, "It Is Time To Pray" as she accompanied herself on the piano. If ever Christians needed to pray, the time is now. "Happy Birthday" was sung to Johnnie B. Griffith.

Shannon and Raegan Bond of Copperas Cove visited with his parents, Joe and Glynda Bond.

Stacy. LaDawn and Alexis Snapp of Lewisville visited with her parents, Bobby and Mary Jane Little.

Lara Jane Cooper of San Angelo visited with her grandmother, Johnnie B. Griffith.

Pauline Miller of Roswell, NM and Sylvia were visitors with Nancy Hendricks.

Shorty Treadway of Ranger and Arl and Margie Lasater of Carbon visited with Zelda Jordan on Friday night and enjoyed games of "Train". Johnnie B. Griffith and Nancy Hendricks and Cassie Brasher also visited with Zelda.

Stacy Webb of Comanche visited on Sunday with his parents, Oren and Norma Webb.

Norma Webb visited in Sweetwater on Tuesday and Wednesday with an aunt, Helen McMullen, and cousins, Janet and Gary Setliff.

Jimmy and Verna Lee Little returned on Saturday from a vacation trip Friday, September 26, 2003. The fun to South Fork, CO. They visited with Earl and Betty Little and Karen Patterson were also vacationing there.

> Jarad Fails of Arlington visited in Eastland on Sataurday eith Shane, Amy, Taner and Rylee Shott and attended the Old Rip Festival Parade and then attended Taner's 4th grade football game in the afternoon. Jarad also visited with James, Jill, Ashley and Breckley Little at Lake Leon and spent Saturday night with his grandparents, Jimmyh and Verna Lee Little. James, Jill, Ashley and Breckley also visited with the Jimmy Littles on Saturday night. Lavell Hallmark of San Angelo and Rylee Shot of Eastland visited with the Jimmy Littles on Sunday Verna Lee Little visited in Eastland on Monday with her sister, Lavell Hallmark and granddaughater, Rylee Shot. Lavell's husband, Jerry, who had been on business trip, came by fokr her on Monday afternoon and they returned to their home in San Angelo on Monday afternoon.

> Karen Patterson of Eastland visited with Verna Lee and Jimmy Little on Monday afternoon.

Bro. Clarence and Leona Wilson and Zelda Jordan honored Johnnie B. Griffith with a birthday dinner at the Hwy 6 Café in De Leon on Sun-

Nancy Hendricks and Sylvia Buchanan visited with Joyce Eaves.

Correction!!!



Tessa Griffin with her escort, Pete Ramirez Freshman Princess

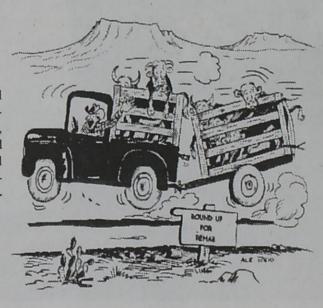
WU INVUILUEUD Friday, October 3rd - Dublin - 12:30 p.m.

We Hope You Find It In Your Hearts To Donate Or Come And Buy Something This Year For Our Rehab Sale. It Is Shuch A Wonderful Cause. Free Beans And Cornbread For Lunch. Our Regular Sale Will Be Afterwards.

Since its inception in 1960, Cattlemen's Round-Up has brought in \$9,179,465 to serve children and adults atWTRC.

We will provide physical and occupational therapy, speech & language pathology services, industrial rehabilitation and back to work programs, audiological and hearing aid services, orthotic and prosthetic services and equipment, home medical equipment sales and rentals, social services and support to patients and their families. No One Is Denied Services For Lack Of Ability To Pay.

Dublin Livestock Auction Sale Every Friday — 254-445-1734 Dublin, Texas 76446

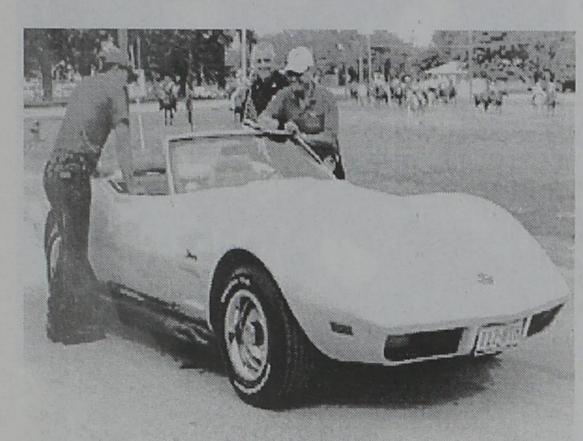


Thank You - Dale and Marla McKinney



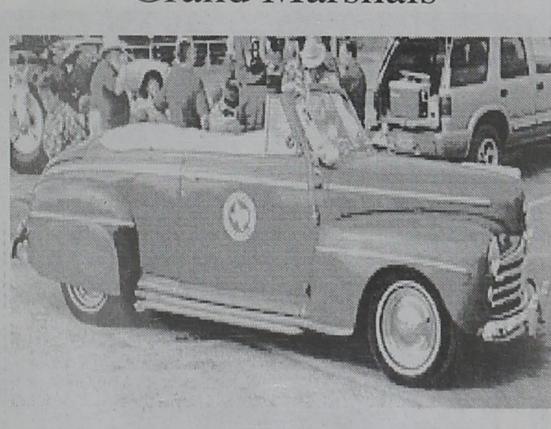
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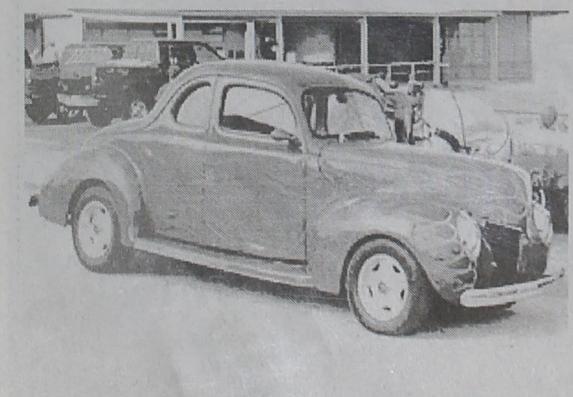


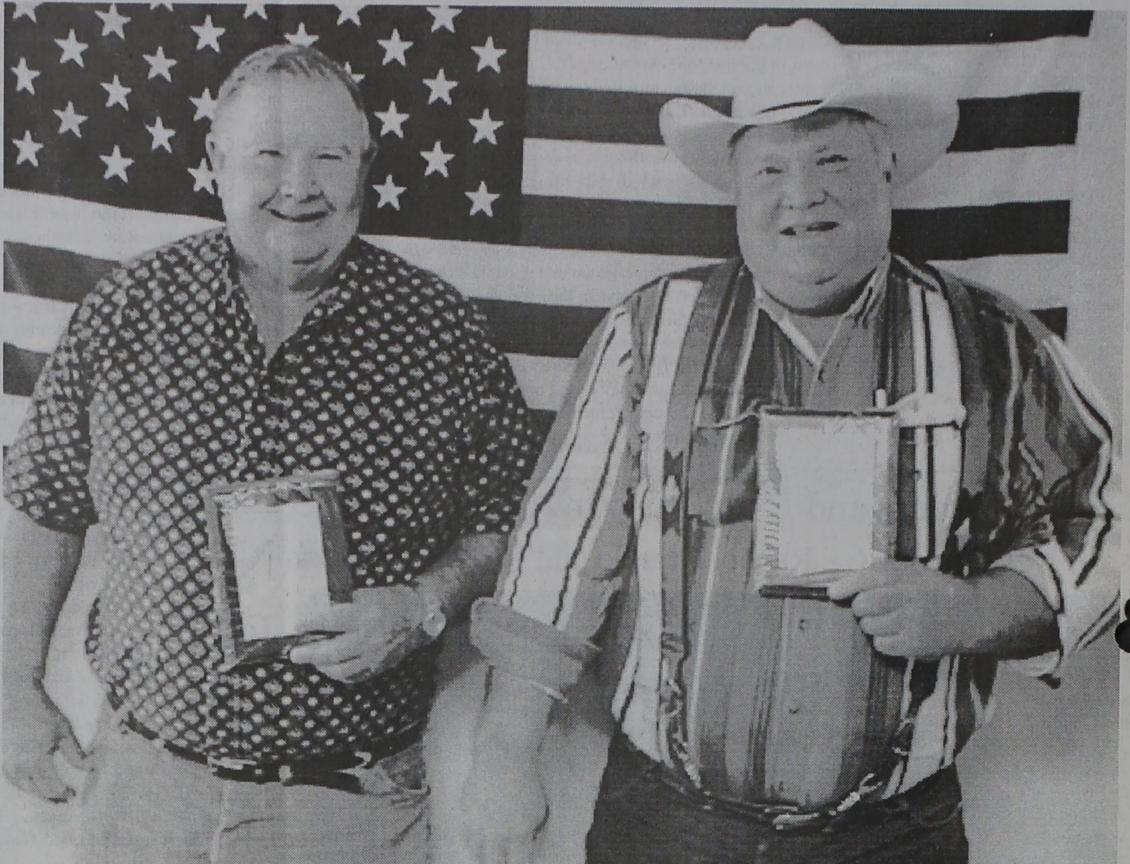




Grand Marshals







42 Tournament











West Texas Rehabilitation 50th Anniversary

As West Texas Rehabilitation Center celebrates its 50th anniversary of service to children and adults with disabilities, local ranchers are carrying on their own tradition: Participating in Rehab's 44th Annual Round-Up for Rehab.

Heading up the Eastland County Round-Up program are Bill Horn, Joe Cooper, Joy Rogers, Sid Waynick and Bill Wright, Jr. Joining them in seeking donations of livestock and cash is Red Steagall, well-known cowboy singer/poet/ rancher, who is this year's honorary chairman for Round-Up for Rehab. Others with key roles in the 2003 program are general chairmen Mike Alexander and Randy Carson Abilene, Jody Frey of San Angelo and Bob Helmers of Christoval.

The message being delivered by all of these volunteers is important—and simple: Let's help Rehab meet the outpatient rehabilitation needs of all who turn to the Center for assistance in overcoming the disabling effects of illness or injury. Ways ranchers can help include:

- Donating livestock cattle, sheep, goats or horses—to be sold at one of the special auctions this fall
- Making a cash gift to Rehab if this is the wrong time of year to cut out an animal to donate
- Joining the bidding on livestock or novelty items at one of the special sales
- Notifying Rehab or a local chairman now of an intent to have an auction house cut a check to Rehab for one or more animals sold later in the year.

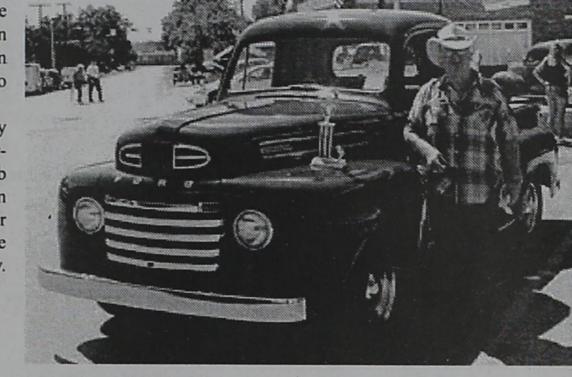
Five corporate friends of Rehab have already stepped forward to sponsor this unique fundraiser. They include Federal Land Bank Association, First Ag Credit, Patterson—UTI Energy, Wrangler, and Strong Point/Pied Piper Pet & Wildlife.

"The commitment of local volunteers, the involvement of Red Steagall, and the early support of five highly-respected businesses ensures that this year's Round-Up for Rehab will get off to a great start," said WTRC President Woody Gilliland. "All of these friends typify the dedication and special effort that have sustained Rehab for 50 years—and they're the reason this organization can look to the future with confidence and pride."

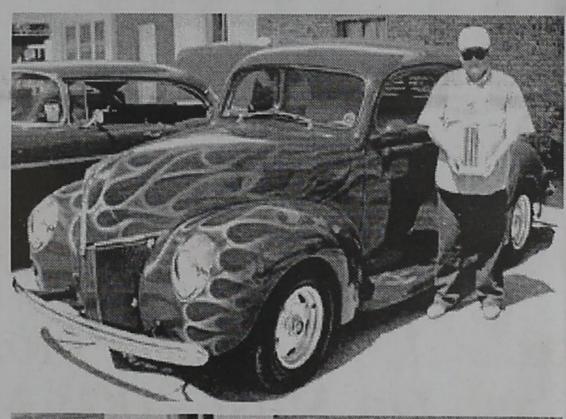
For more information about the Rehab Center, Round-Up sale dates or arrangements for hauling donated animals, call a local chairman or the Texas Cattle Exchange auction at 254-629-2288; WTRC-Abilene at 325-793-3507; WTRC-San Angelo at 325-223-6300; or WTRC-Ozona at 325-392-9872.













DESDEMONA NEWS BY VONNIE GUTHERY

SEPTEMBER 25, 2003

THE GORMAN PROGRESS

"Birthday Card Shower" for Evelyn Hammond last Thursday, September 18th was great as she received more than 30 nice birthday cards from her friends and family in this area. She called this reporter saying to tell everyone how much she appreciated each card. Evelyn is slowly recovering from a recent stroke. She lives next door to her son, Gerald Hammond and wife at Lake Brownwood.

Karen Eaves hosted a birthday supper last Thursday night for her daughter, Holly Guthery. Others attending were Pug and Vonnie Guthery, Lorin Eaves and Belinda Guthery all of Desdemona; Angela Powledge and children, Colin, Kaley and Lane of Cisco.

Mildred Million and Dorothy Roberts visited last Saturday night at the Strawn Monthly Musical. They reported a good crowd to attend.

Pug and Vonnie Guthery visited last Friday eve with Evelyn Joyce (Perrin) McBroom of Peoria, Arizona. She was in DeLeon visiting with her brother, Theron Perrin. They attended a Family Reunion over the weekend. Theron and Evelyn attended school in Desdemona.

This reported received a phone call recently from L.Z. Tate of Hobbs, New Mexico. A former resident of Desdemona where he attended school and graduated with the Class of 1940. He celebrated his 85th birthday on Saturday, September 20. L.Z. said he would like to visit 'Hogtown' once again, but his health is not good and he is not able to make the trip. It is always good to hear from former residents. His parents are the late Gordon and Hattie (Greenhaw) Tate and his only brother is the late Kenneth Tate.

Alpha (Lewis) Thiebaud, a former resident of Desdemona, now living in a Longview Rest Home is having serious health problems. Our thoughts and prayers are with her at this time.

Larry and Gay Moore enjoyed a three day weekend trip down through South Texas visiting friends and sightseeing. They reported a good trip.

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

National Food Service Employee's Day September 24



Gorman ISD is fortunate to have such a wonderful cafeteria staff. We would like to recognize our cafeteria staff for the service provided to both the students and faculty of Gorman ISD. The cafeteria is staffed by Vickie Majors, Barbara Fenley, Sandra Osborne, Sheila Perez and Gena Rone. Please express your appreciation for both the nutritional food and the service provided by our valuable food service employees.

10th ANNUAL TEXAS MIDWEST CONFERENCE

The 10th Annual Texas Midwest Conference is set for Oct. 15th at the Abilene Civic Center.

Community leaders throughout the region will gather to network and learn ways to enhance community development and economic development programs in their respective communities.

A feature of this year's conference is the announcement of the Texas Midwest "Community Achievement Award" recipients. Also featured at the conference will be solution seminars, motivational speakers, silent auction, live entertainment and the luncheon catered by Perini Ranch Steakhouse.

Seminar topics will focus on quality of life issues and developing local economies. Topics include clean up ordinances, highway entry signage and landscaping, small business development, entrepreneurship, workforce issues, rural health care, marketing ideas for tourism and telecommunication needs for rural communities.

"Celebrating Regionalism" is the conference theme commemorating the organization's 10-year history. Texas Midwest Community Network is a regional organization that provides a means for communities to work together to accomplish what one cannot do alone. TMCN activities and programs include marketing for economic development and tourism, legislative awareness, education for volunteers and networking opportuni-

Pre-registration for the conference is \$30, which covers all activities and the conference luncheon. Walk-in registration is \$35. A discount for 5 or more from one community or organization is also available. For infor-

mation call 325-676-0329 or e-mail tmcn@tmcn.org. TMCN member cities include Abilene, Albany, Anson, Aspermont, Baird, Ballinger, Brady, Breckenridge, Bronte, Brownwood, Buffalo Gap, Cisco, Clyde, Coleman, Colorado City, Comanche, Cross Plains, De Leon, Dublin, Early, Eastland, Eden, Goldthwaite, Gorman, Hamilton, Hamlin, Haskell, Jayton, Knox City, Merkel, Munday, Ranger, Robert Lee, Roby, Roscoe, Rotan, Snyder, Stamford, Sterling City, Sweetwater, Throckmorton, Tye, and Winters.

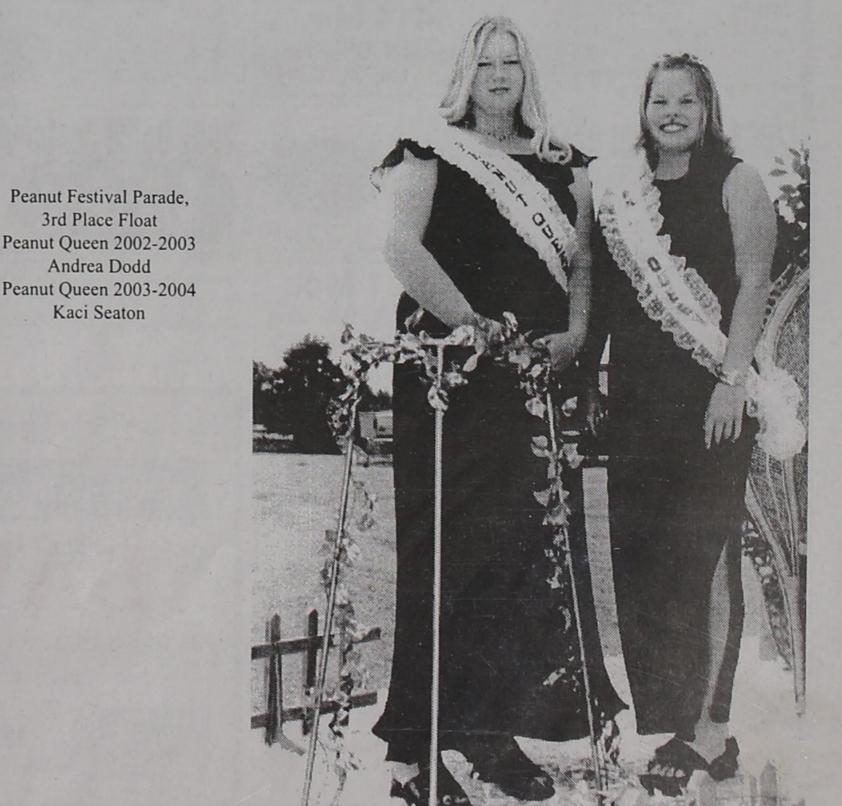
3rd Place Float

Andrea Dodd

Kaci Seaton



Peanut Festival 1st Place Float Miss Gorman Rachel Granado Little Miss Kourtney Seaton



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Heritage Manor News By Nancy Hendricks

Time to Pray

I got up quite early this morning and rushed right into the day; I had so much to accomplish I took no time to pray.

The problems just tumbled about me And heavier came every task; "Why doesn't God help me?" I wondered

He said, "Why you didn't ask." I saw naught of joy or of beauty--The day sped on, gray and bleak.

show me?" He said, "But you didn't seek."

I asked, "Why won't the Lord

I tried to come into God's presence; I used all my keys at the lock, God gently, lovingly chided, "My child, why didn't you knock?"

I work up quite early this morning and paused ere entering the day; there was so much to accomplish I had to take time to pray.

Thanks to Larry Stogsdill for the above.

Opal Green of Rising Star, Bill and Tootie Campbell were visiting.

On Sunday morning at 9:00 a.m., Bobby Rich of First Baptist came and taught the Sunday School lesson for 16 residents. The lesson was "Kingdom Attitudes." The lesson was from Matthew 6:1-18 and Matthew 6:12-18. Tootie Campbell was also present. A resident gave the opening prayer and Howard Hagood led the closing prayer. Pat Hagood was also present.

Visiting were Bill and Mary Lou Brown of Las Cruses, NM, Dorothy Roberts of Desdemona, Lyndon and Frankie Jo Shipman, Lane and Ernestine Campbell, Maxine Huddleston of Lake Leon, Marjorie Treadway and

Guests were Lyndon and Shelly Morgan of Garland, Lonnie and Edith Grumbles, Buddy Rogers of Ranger, Lugene Morris of DeLeon, and Joy Rogers.

On Monday morning at 10 a.m., Pat Graham and Ina Smith had bingo for 11 residents. They enjoyed breakfast goodies of tea or coffee.

Some guests were Larry and Jerry Majors of DeLeon, Steve and Dorenda Menten of Buchanan Dam, Foster and Kelli Williams, Ruth lewis of Desdemona, Neldon and Billie Shipman, Frankie Jo and Lyndon Shipman, Kim Ryon, Zack Ryon, Jared Majors, Eric Ryon.

Visiting were Wesley and Sue Spivey, Oleta Blair of Eastland, Larry Pullin of Brownwood, Laneta Freeman, Nancy Hendricks, Howard and Pat Hagood.

On Monday, Karen Guthery came and gave permanents and styled hair for residents.

Guests were E.G. and Nancy Henderson of Lake Leon, C.J. and Liz Henderson of Abilene, Billie Jean Grisham of DeLeon, Vicki Seay, Glenn Glasson, Gena Rone.

On Monday afternoon at 2:30 those coming for the Gospel Singing were Ruby Lee Kinser, Ernestine Campbell, Marjorie Treadway, Opal Green, Daisy Slaton, and Nancy Hendricks. Sixteen residents were present. Glen and Nancy Lawless of DeLeon, Dawn Robert and her mother Adora of Frisco, TX, Kennard and Doylena of Gustine, Winston Brown, Bimbo and Anna Lee Roberts.

Tuesday morning at 9:30 a.m., Betty Duke of Desdemona came played the electric keyboard and led singing for 9 residents.

Visiting were Bonnie Croft of Lake Leon, Kenneth Good, Ennis Joiner, Zelda Joiner, Nancy Hendricks, Johnnie B. Griffith, Lucille Joiner of Stephenville, Bobby and Peggy Ingram, Maudie Husband of Cisco, Ima Brown, Larry and DeLinda Snider, Diana Snider, J.B. Hamilton of Garland.

Wednesday morning at 9 a.m. Rev. Bill Campbell of First Baptist Church came and had chapel for several

SEPTEMBER 25, 2003 residents. He said the message was from Psalms, Chapter 113.

Some guests were Marie Cook and Sylvia Estes of Carbon, James and Mary Jesse of Abilene. Visiting were June Carruth of DeLeon, Jim Carruth of Desdemona, Pat Bays of Dublin, Susan Carruth of Comanche, Johnny Chupp, Terry Stevens, Robert Hodges and Ernie Elmens of DeLeon.

On Wednesday afternoon at 2:00 p.m., Ina Smith had 'Crazy Bingo' for several residents.

Visiting were George Rodgers, Durward Webb, Jimmy Little, Jerry and Sherry Parrish of Comanche, Bobby and Linda Phillips of Houston, James Phillips of Seguin.

Residents appreciated the good magazines that Karen Guthery gave. Visiting were Amy Fraley, Ann Warren, Gary and mary Ann Alexander of Brownwood, Henry Lenz of

Carbon, Rex Kinser, Wilbur Overstreet. On Friday, Ina Smith and Pat Graham had bingo for several residents. Visiting were Dorothy Whiteside of Sipe Strings, Rex and Trudy Long, and Cassie Long of Rising Star and

Top Ten Signs You're Not Reading Your Bible Enough

10. The preacher announces that the sermon is from Genesis and you check the table of contents.

9. You think Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob had a few hits in the '60s but never really amounted to much.

8. You turn to Psalms and a WW2 savings bond falls out.

7. When someone asks you what your favorite Old Testament character is, you say Hercules. 6. Your favorite Bible verse is "Cleanliness is next to godliness."

5. You get mad because you can't find Charleston Heston in the concordance nor the table of contents. 4. Catching the kids reading the Song of Solomon, you demand: "Who gave you this?"

3. You think that Minor Prophets worked in the quarries.

2. You fall for it when the preacher tells you to turn to 2nd Hezekiah.

1. You think that Job rhymes with Bob.

Charlene Rider of Cisco.

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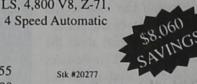
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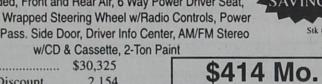
2003 Chevrolet 1/2 Ton Ext. Cab 4X4 LS, 4,800 V8, Z-71,



MSRP \$31,555 Off Road Disc. 3,000 ¥ 1,500 % Factory Rebate Bonus Cash Bayer Discount 3,060 Total Savings 8,060

0%-60 Mos. 1.9% - 72 Mos.

Extended, Front and Rear Air, 6 Way Power Driver Seat, SAVINGS Leather Wrapped Steering Wheel w/Radio Controls, Power Sliding Pass. Side Door, Driver Info Center, AM/FM Stereo



Bayer Discount . Factory Rebate ... 3,000 → OR → 72 Mos. @ 1.9% TT&L Sale Price .. \$25.171 Plus T.T.&L. Down at Delivery W.A.C.

Sale Price MSRP \$38,805

Factory Rebate 4,000 → OR →

Bayer Discount 1,316

Total Savings 5,316

LS, Lift Gate, 6 Way Power Driver Side Bucket Seat, In SAVINGS Dash 6 CD Player, Rear Seat Audio Controls

Factory Rebate 3,000 Bonus Cash 1,500

0%-60 Mos. 1.9% - 72 Mos. 2003 Chevrolet Trailblazer Ext.

2003 Silverado 1/2 Ton Reg. Cab

LS, AM/FM w/Cassette & Cd 3,500 1,000 Pp 3,500 😼

0%-60 Mos. 1.9% - 72 Mos.

Wheel flare and Molding Package, Heavy **Duty Trailering Equipment**

MSRP \$33,405 w/o Body Cladding Bonus Cash 1,000 Bayer Discount 3,177
Factory Rebate 4,000 7 Sale Price \$24,628 Plus T.T.&



72 Mos. @ 1.9% TT&L Down at Delivery W.A.C.

Total Savings 8,500 2003 Buick Century Sedan Sale Price

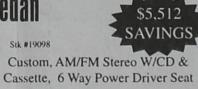
Bayer Discount $1,512 \rightarrow OR \rightarrow$

Bayer Discount 4,000

MSRP \$22,510

Factory Rebate 4,000

Total Savings 5,012



• 218 E. Grand

\$299 Mo.

72 Mos. @ 1.9% TT&I

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Sale Price \$13,999 MSRP \$20,710 TX/OK/LA Disc. 1,000

Comanche, Texas

Factory Rebate

Bonus Cash

Bayer Discount 1,211 > Bonus Cash 1,500 Factory Rebate 3,000 Total Savings 6,711

4,300 V-6, Cruise, Stk #19985 AM/FM Stereo w/CD

\$283 Mo. 60 Mos. @ 0% TT&L Down at Delivery W.A.C.

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\$309 Mo. Sale Price \$15,575 Plus T.T.&L. Down at Delivery W.A.C.



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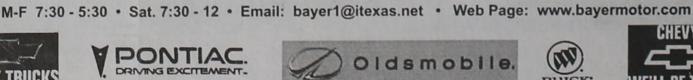


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