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Eastland County Primary Election Dates

- * **FEBRUARY 23-MARCH 5, 2004**
EARLY VOTING IN PERSON (COURTHOUSE) 8:00-5:00 MONDAY-FRIDAY
- * **FEBRUARY 28, 2004**
ADDITIONAL EARLY VOTING (COURTHOUSE) 7:00 A.M.-2:00 P.M.
(SATURDAY) ORDERED BY COUNTY CLERK
- * **FEBRUARY 27, 2004**
SUGGESTED CUT OFF DATE FOR REQUESTING A BALLOT BY MAIL
(LAST DAY TO MAIL A BALLOT IS MARCH 2, 2004)
- * **MARCH 9, 2004**
PRIMARY ELECTION DAY 7:00-7:00

If you would like to receive a ballot by mail please call 629-1583 the office of Cathy Jentho, County Clerk to see if you qualify for this procedure.

Bill Underwood Makes Statement

I want the people of Pct. 3 to have the correct budget figures. In October of '99, Pct. 3 took back the roads that Pct. 1 had been maintaining (38 miles)—this brought Pct. 3 total mileage to 289. In 2001, Pct. 3 and Pct. 4 began maintaining the roads that belonged to their Pct. Pct. 3 mileage was increased by another 8 miles, bringing the total to 297. Here is the original budget amounts for the last seven years beginning with 1997/1998 to the current budget:

- 97/98--\$328,616.00 or \$1309.00 a mile
- 98/99--\$385,677.00 or \$1334.00 a mile
- 99/00--\$369,969.00 or \$1280.00 a mile
- 00/01--\$305,865.00 or \$1058.00 a mile
- 01/02--\$337,186.00 or \$1135.00 a mile
- 02/03--\$335,157.00 or \$1128.00 a mile
- 03/04--\$315,000.00 or \$1060.00 a mile

The average for the last seven years of \$1186.71 would be a difference of \$413.29 from what my opponent lead you to believe in the paper last week.

In August of 2002 when we had the flooding in the southwest part of Pct. 3, I was able to get about \$65,000.00 from F.E.M.A. and \$55,000.00 from O.R.C.A.

These funds were 75/25 match, with all repairs done to their specification and inspected. I was able to make some repairs below their estimation and some went over, but we had a small surplus when all work was completed. With these funds and \$1,000.00 carryover from a Special Road Project Fund from 2002, I was able to seal coat about 4 miles last year for about \$16,000.00. Seal coating is the least expensive form of paving, it is the process of spraying hot liquid asphalt on a prepared roadbed and covering with sealing rock. We used asphalt millings which we were given by the state to prepare the road base, used an outside contractor to spray the liquid asphalt, we spread the rock with a chip spreader I bought for \$4,500.00. The cost for the liquid asphalt, sealing rock and cost of outside contractor was about \$0.75 per linear foot. Without the materials from the state this figure would increase dramatically. To prepare a road base 4" deep 20 ft. wide and A1 base (crushed rock) the material cost would be about \$8,000.00 per mile. The best roads in Pct. 3 would need a minimum of 2" base to prepare for seal coating. On a rock road, you would need to spray a primer coat of asphalt before you sprayed the coat of asphalt you were going to cover with rock. Seal coating would cost the County about \$15,000.00 per mile for materials. Two other methods of paving: Overlaying and Hot Mix asphalt are much more expensive. I believe now you can see that paving 15 to 20 miles of road a year from this budget is very unrealistic.

I cut this budget by \$20,000.00 this year to help reduce the deficit. I believe other departments could have made cuts to reduce this also. The increase cost of insurance was also a very big factor to a deficit.

Here is an analysis of the four Pct.'s budgets for fiscal year 01/02, since then Pct. 3 mileage has increase and budget decreased.

ROAD BRIDGE
BUDGET ANALYSIS
FY 2001/2002

CATEGORY	PRECINCT 1	PRECINCT 2	PRECINCT 3	PRECINCT 4	TOTAL
	112.1	144	288.7	151.2	694
Number of Employees	3	3.5	6	4	16.5
Miles per Employee	37	41	48	38	42
Gas & Oil	15000	14000	17500	20000	66500
Gas & Oil Cost per Mile	134	97	61	132	96
Material	15000	14500	20500	15000	74000
Material Cost per Mile	134	101	103	99	107
Equipment Repairs	7500	9000	14000	15000	45500
Repair Cost per Mile	67	63	49	99	66
Total Budget	194,849	197,487	337,186	232,463	964,552
Budget per Mile	1,738	1,371	1,135	1,537	1390

After looking over these chart, I think most of you will be satisfied that your tax dollars are being managed pretty well in Pct. 3.

Through Interlocal Agreements with the cities in Pct. 3, I have worked with Gorman, Rising Star and Carbon to maintain their streets when they have needed us to help. I will continue to do so if re-elected, as well as each E.D.C.

I believe Common Sense, Experience and Dedication has provided well maintained roads and the most from your tax dollars in the past and will continue to do so if I am given the opportunity to continue to serve as your County Commissioner of Pct. 3.

Thank you,
s/ Bill Underwood

Pd. pol. adv. by Bill Underwood, 1290 CR 350, Gorman, TX 76454

Gorman Senior Travel Club

The Gorman Senior Travel Club will be taking orders for Krispy Kreme doughnuts to be delivered on February 13th. To order please contact a travel club member or call 734-3311 or 734-3496.

The Gorman Senior Travel Club will be taking orders for Hugs and Kisses Valentines to be delivered at Maxfield Elementary (display in elementary office). To order or for more information, please contact a travel club member or call 734-3496 or 734-3311.

Gorman High School Students Participated In VASE



L-R: Back-J.T. Whitfill-3, William Duske-3, Sawyer Wright-3, Britt Hagood-2; Front-Marcie Davis-3, Frances Lewis-3, Joanna Esquivel-3-3, Martha Cruz-2, Maria Garcia-2

Congratulations to the Gorman High School art students who participated in VASE (Visual Arts Scholastic Event) on Saturday, February 7. To participate in this event the students must create an original work of art, take it to the event, and interview with a contest judge. The participants are scored based on their artistic ability, as well as their knowledge of art history, art elements, principals of design, as well as basic interview skills. In this event a "4" is the best possible score and a "1" is considered below average. The Gorman High School art students returned with seven three's and three two's. We are very proud to say that none of our students returned with a below average rating. This is no small accomplishment for students with little to no background in art extending beyond this year.

The Gorman High School art students would like to thank Mr. Wright, Mr. Vann, and our school board members, as well as parents and our community their support of our new art program and for helping make attendance in this event possible.

CELEBRATE WITH US



The children of Mary Boswell Kirk invite you to attend her 85th birthday. We will have an open house on Sunday, February 14th, 2004, from 2P.M. till 4 P.M. The party will be held at her home two miles south of Gorman on the Duster Highway (FR 679). No gifts please. We hope you can join us.

Pre-K Registration

Maxfield Elementary will be holding Pre-K Registration Friday, February 27, 2004, from 8:00a.m. - 3:00p.m. in the Elementary office. A child must be 4 years of age before September 1, 2004. You will need to bring the students Social Security Card, birth certificate, and immunization record. We will make a copy of the driver's license of the adult registering the child.

La Registración del Pre-K

Maxfield Elementary estará sosteniendo viernes de Registración de Pre-K, el 27 de febrero de 2004, de 8:00a.m. - 3:00p.m. en la oficina Elemental. Un niño debe ser 4 años mayor de edad antes del 1 de septiembre de 2004. Usted necesitará traerles Tarjeta de Seguridad Social, certificado de nacimiento, y registro de la inmunización a los estudiantes. Nosotros haremos el niño a una copia de la licencia para manejar del registrar adulto.

Alumni Scrimmage on Saturday, February 21st against the High School team.

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.

FOOD BANK

New Hours - 10 to 11:00 a.m.
Second Thursday

WEIGHT WATCHERS MEETING — The Weight Watchers Meeting will be held at Gorman Hotel on Wednesdays. Weight-in begins at 5:00 p.m. and meeting begins at 5:30 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.

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 - FEBRUARY 18TH FROM 9 - 12 NOON.

G.W. "Jud" Maxfield Honored

Congratulations to former Gorman superintendent G.W. "Jud" Maxfield on his induction into the Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi Hall of Honor over the weekend.

Jud was a three-sport letterman, starting at offensive and defensive end from 1952-55, was a starting guard in basketball and was a sprinter and ran on the relay teams in track. He was the school's Sportsman of the Year in 1955-56.

He has served as the Gorman superintendent for 20 years before retiring in 1993. He had served on the University Interscholastic League's Legislative Council for 10 years and was chairman for one year.

He and his wife of 47 years still live in Gorman and they have one son, Mel Maxfield, who is the head coach at Burleson.

This article was taken from *PRESSBOXVIEW* by Bill Hart of the *Abilene Reporter News*, February 8, 2004.

Lady Cubs Finish Season

On Monday February 22nd both Lady Cub teams played their last ballgames of the season in Ranger against the Bulldogs.

The 7th grade girls ended their season with another victory making their record 8 wins and 2 losses. One of their only defeats came in the Cross Plains Tournament to Cisco, and a defeat from Albany. In the tournament the received a second place finish. This year's team consisted of Lindsey Laminack, Marcy Gonzalez, Elizabeth Borrego, Dezi Murphy, Emily Lewis, Valerie Longoria, Olivia Jacksen and Audrey Johnston. Kendra Lewis was this year's manage. These girls have been hard workers, have much to look forward to in the future and are now heading into track season. Congratulations on a job well done.

The 8th grade girls also polished off the season with a victory against the Bulldogs as well. This helped their record to 5 wins and 5 losses. This group has shown much dedication and heart and played with pride all year. The Jr. High program will miss these girls. However; they are headed to high school next year and will continue to represent Gorman with class. Congratulations on a good season. This year's 8th grade ballplayers are Nicole Cogburn, Katie Deel, Clarissa Glasson, Shanna Hair, Kellie Moss, Ashley Gonzales, Reba Granado, Tecia Jones, Brandy Carlton, Megan Lewis, Esther Cruz, and Kendra Lewis who managed the 8th grade team as well.

A special thanks also goes out to Coach Whitfill and Coach Tooley.

Three Positions Open For School Board Trustee

THREE positions will come open for the May 15, 2004 election for school board trustee to be elected at large. These positions will be for three-year terms and are currently held by Melinda Harrington, Beth Underwood, and Bobby Rich. Applications for filing for a position on the ballot will begin on February 14, 2004. Deadline for filing will be March 15, 2004 at 5:00 p.m. Applications can be completed at the Administration office during school hours.

Senior Travel Club Valentine Dance

The Senior Travel Club will be sponsoring a Valentine Dance on Saturday, February 14th from 8 p.m. until 12 midnight at the Opry House in Gorman. Admission is \$2.00.

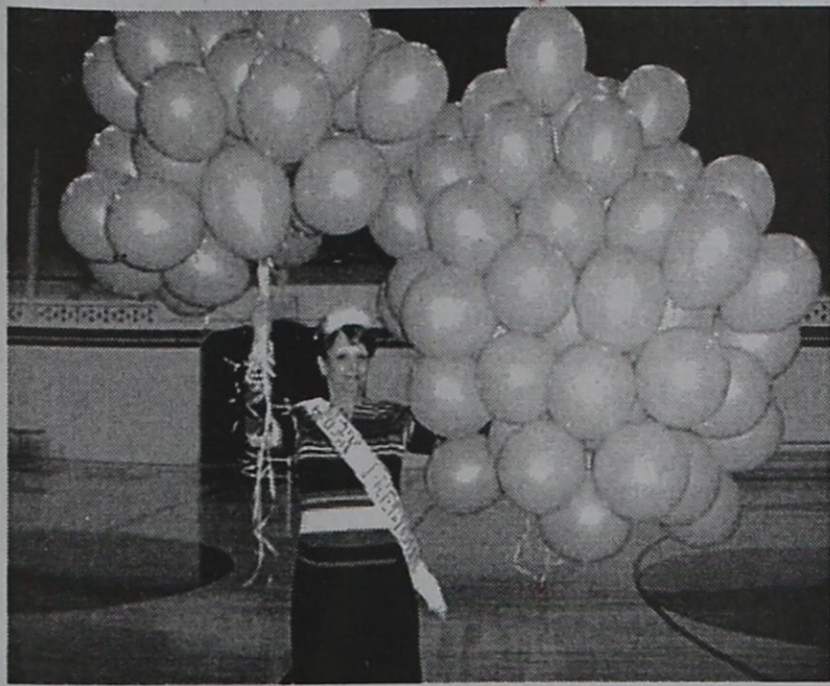
PANTHER



BASEBALL SCHEDULE 2004

February 17	4:00	@ Cooper Scrimmage
February 21	2:00	Alumni Scrimmage
February 27-28	2:00	Gorman Tournament
March 2	4:00	Brownwood 9th
March 5	4:00	Perrin Whitt
March 9	4:00	Kula
March 12	4:00	@ Bangor
March 16	4:00	@ Albany
March 19	5:00	Ludgers
March 30	4:00	@ Cross Plains
April 2	4:00	Baird
April 9	4:30	Ranger
April 16	4:30	Albany
April 20	4:30	@ Ludgers
April 30	4:30	@ Cross Plains
May 4	5:00	@ Baird

*District Games
Head Coach: Randy Jones
Athletic Director: Cole Tyson
Principal: Benny Wright
Superintendent: Leala Vann



Part of the 100 reasons Mrs. Morris is precious are: Pal to all students and faculty Respected by all Eager to entertain her students Cares about all Incredibly talented Outstanding Principal Unique - one of a kind Super terrific Principal! Sings to us She's pretty She makes me think of a rainbow. She's very nice. She dresses pretty. She's silly with us. She likes rainbow colors. I get to give her lots of presents. She hangs up my pictures. She comes to our room. She thinks I'm pretty. She likes flowers. She plays the fiddle for us. I like to make her flowers. She loves stories. Down to earth Comical She takes care of me. I like when she plays the violin. Mrs. Morris is creative. She has good taste in colors and draws neat things. Mrs. Morris takes good care of us. She makes us learn and do things right. Mrs. Morris is precious because she sings to us in her pretty voice. Mrs. Morris is precious because she always takes time to speak to us, even when she's busy. Mrs. Morris is nice to us. Mrs. Morris gets onto us when we're bad and makes us be good. When we do something wrong, Mrs. Morris corrects us and tells us how to do it the right way next time. Mrs. Morris is precious because she gets us good teachers. Mrs. Morris is precious because she's funny and she likes to make people laugh. Mrs. Morris is precious because she cares when we're sad or we feel bad. Mrs. Morris is precious because she doesn't always call our parents when we get in trouble. She's not a tattletale. Mrs. Morris is precious for believing in her teachers and for expecting the best from each teacher. For her positive attitude For allowing your teacher's the time away from school and a substitute to go to needed in-services. For instigating visits to other exemplary elementary schools to learn success from other successful schools. For allowing each teacher the freedom to select their most productive teaching style. For working with teachers to stretch the limited resources to best serve the most students' needs. For setting the example a high moral conduct in your own life. For setting up the AR reading program in our school to advance literacy of all your students. For having the strength to overcome your personal battle with cancer and strengthen your faith in God. For considering the feelings of your teachers and having the insight to see other's problems as if you were "walking a mile in their shoes." For living a life that preaches a sermon without words. For having the ability to make us laugh during stressful times. For creating an atmosphere at work that is warm and supportive. Our class thinks Mrs. Morris is precious because... -She loves all of us. -She always cheers us up by singing us songs about love or playing her violin. -She is a good principal and hard worker -She always says we are precious and smiles at us -We can trust her -She wants us all to be the best we can be. Mrs. Morris cares for all her students and faculty. Mrs. Morris always tries to help parents and children in need any way she can. She is awesome Mrs. Morris is PRECIOUS

Some of the classes celebrated in more ways after the assembly. The Pre-K class celebrated by reading 100 Nursery Rhymes. First grade

Maxfield Elementary celebrated the 100th day of school on Monday, January 26th. The whole elementary had a joint celebration by surprising Mrs. Morris with 100 different ways she was PRECIOUS to the students and staff. It is well known that Mrs. Morris greets the students and staff every morning by telling them how precious they are and singing "Good morning to You". Everyone gathered in the gym and when she arrived she was greeted with applause from students sitting around with 100 balloons. She was then crowned Queen Precious. Mrs. Reeves read a scroll with "100 Reasons Mrs. Morris" is Precious. The students and staff worked together on the reasons. They then took turns presenting her with 100 individual cards, 100 balloons and about 220 individual hugs. The students sang "Good morning to You" to Mrs. Morris, observed 100 seconds of silence, and when the presentations were done she sang "You are Precious" to them. The assembly was a joint effort by every class and they all kept it a secret from Mrs. Morris.

observed the day by doing 100 things in nearly every subject and reading about 100. Second grade celebrated by counting 100 pennies, going to the bank and exchanging the pennies for a dollar, and then going to the Dairy Queen and spending their dollar. Fourth Grade celebrated the day by using certain letters and seeing if they could come up with 100 different words. They also made a Mosaic Art design using 100 mosaic squares in Math.

RELAY FOR LIFE

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Saturday, Feb. 21, 2004
11am to 2pm
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The American Cancer Society's
Eastland County 1st Annual
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EDC Minutes - January 12, 2004

The Gorman EDC held its monthly board meeting on Monday January 12, 2004. The meeting was called to order by Vice President Judy Warren. Present were board members Mark Simmons, Kim Sharp, Robert Ervin, Joe Casey, and EDC director Lori Dodd. Also attending the meeting were Gorman citizens Martha Harrington, Melinda Harrington, and Lisa Deel.

Secretary Kim Sharp read the EDC minutes; mark Simmons made a motion to approve the minutes, second by Joe Case. Motion carried 5-0.

Board reviewed the bills; Robert Ervin made a motion to pay the bills, second by Joe Casey. Motion carried 5-0.

Under old business: Discussion of pictures in the TMCN guide book; Lori will talk to TMCN regarding wrong picture, etc. Announcements of WCTCOG grant regarding Code enforcement officer salary will be January 15. Gorman did receive a grant from ORCA for an AED. Approximately \$4000 will go to the Gorman Fire Department for the actual device and training.

Under new business: The facilitator meeting for Gorman is scheduled for January 19, 2004. EDC Board will work on attendance. TMCN Marketing Alliance membership will not be renewed for the 2004 year. Keep Texas Beautiful affiliate membership will be renewed.

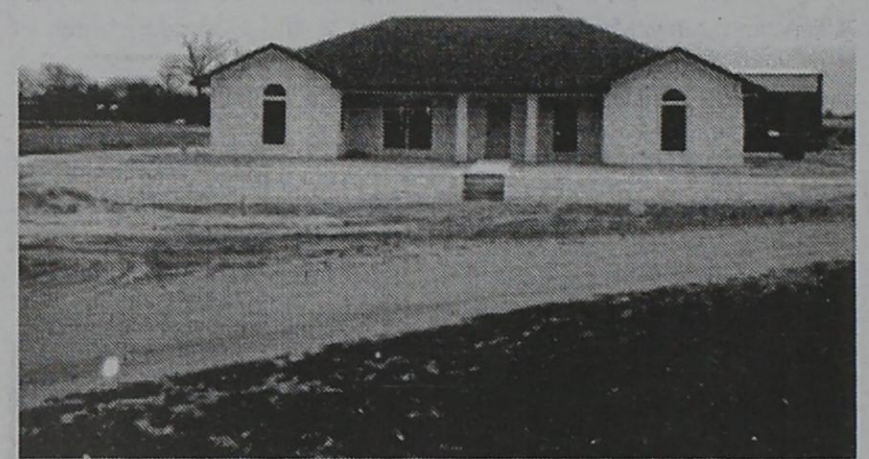
Lori will be at a TMCN advisory meeting at the Abilene Regional Airport on February 4. With no further business to discuss, a motion was made by Robert Ervin to adjourn, second by Joe Casey. Meeting adjourned at 7:03 pm.

Submitted by Kim Sharp

OPERATOR OF RISING STAR METH LAB SENTENCED TO PRISON

Sammy Houston Lavender, 45, formerly a Rising Star resident, is now an inmate awaiting transfer to state prison to serve a 15-year sentence. In pre-trial proceedings, Judge Steven R. Herod denied Lavender's attempt to suppress all the evidence seized at his residence. Thereafter, Lavender pleaded guilty and judicially confessed that he intentionally and knowingly manufactured methamphetamine. The investigation into this case began with a strong odor of ether coming from a residence as well as a visible haze coming from around the door and window areas of the residence. The smell and haze of this nature are identified with the manufacture of methamphetamine commonly referred to as a Nazi-style methamphetamine laboratory. District Attorney Russ Thomason expressed gratitude for the joint efforts of the West Central Texas Interlocal Crime Task Force and the Eastland County Sheriff's Office in shutting down another meth lab.

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• **CARS** •

20970 - '97 Dodge Avenger	Auto, loaded, cass, 69K	\$ 6,500
18632 - '01 Chevy Impala	Auto, loaded, cass, 35K	\$11,990
19263 - '02 Olds Alero	Auto, loaded, cd, 14K	\$11,990
18571 - '98 Plymouth Neon	Auto, tilt, cruise, cass, 64K	\$ 3,995
21029 - '00 Buick LaSabre	Auto, loaded, cd, 58K	\$10,500
18338 - '01 Mazda 626LX	Auto, loaded, cd, 27K	\$ 9,995

• **SUV's - TRUCKS** •

20483 - '98 Ford Explorer XLT	loaded, cd, 81K	\$ 7,500
18950 - '01 Chevy Tahoe LS	Auto, loaded, cd, 42K	\$21,500
19272 - '00 Isuzu Trooper LS 4X4	Auto, loaded, cd, 42K	\$14,990
29121 - '01 Chevy Tracker	Auto, 4X4, loaded, cd, 14K	\$ 9,995
20291 - '98 Ford F150XL RC SWB	Auto, cassette, hardtop, 42K	\$ 7,995
20524 - '96 Chevy S10 Blazer	Auto, loaded, cass, 78K	\$ 6,995
20149 - '01 Chevy S10 RC SWB	5 Spd., AC, alum whls, 37K	\$ 7,995
20310 - '00 Chevy 1500EC LS	Auto, loaded, cd, 45K	\$14,990
19488 - '01 Chevy 1500 EC SWB LS	Auto, loaded, cd, 54K	\$15,990
16317 - '00 Ford F250 XLT-SD	Powerstroke, auto, loaded, 64K	\$19,990
19499 - '01 Chevy 3500CD LWB	Dually, 5 spd., t/c, cass, 27K	\$20,990

Payment Special Examples

19703 - 1997 Olds 88 Sedan	\$6,995 ^{***}	\$210 Mo. *
20149 - 2001 Chev. S-10 PK	\$7,995 ^{***}	\$199 Mo. **
19204 - 1999 Chev. Camaro	\$9,995 ^{***}	\$240 Mo. **
18353 - 2002 Olds Alero Coupe	\$11,990 ^{***}	\$235 Mo. ***

*WAC - 36 Mo., \$1,000 Cash or Trade Down, 7.99% Includes T.T.&L.
**WAC - 48 Mo., \$1,000 Cash or Trade Down, 7.99% Includes T.T.&L.
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Heritage Manor News

By Nancy Hendricks

Labor of Love

"For this is the love of God, that we keep his commandments: and his commandments are not grievous." (1 John 5:3). Service that is prompted by love is not grievous. A mother watching by the bedside of a sick child; a husband working to support a wife and children; a doctor giving himself in the service of humanity; a nurse sacrificing daily in order to alleviate human suffering...this type of service is a genuine joy and pleasure.

A person who attends services and does other things in connection with his religion merely because he feels it is his duty, or because he is afraid he will be criticized if he doesn't, is living on a very low plane. He has never known that joy and satisfaction that comes from voluntary, wholehearted surrender. He is living far below his best. When we truly love God, serving him WILL NOT be an irksome task or an unpleasant duty.

Notice: Each resident will have a Valentine holder by their door. If you do not have time to place them, Ina Smith will be happy to deliver them for you.

Some visitors were James and Mary Jesse of Abilene, Marie Cook and Sylvia Estes of Carbon, Johnnie B. Griffith of Lake Leon.

On Sunday morning, Tootie Campbell of First Baptist Church came and taught the Sunday School lesson. The lesson was "Disciplined Worship." Background passage Psalms 95:1-11, Hebrews 10:19-25 with the key verse Psalms 95:6. A resident voiced the closing prayer. Twenty one residents were present. Howard and Pat Hagood were guests.

Recent guests were J.B. Hamilton of Garland, Maudie Husband and Bill Moll, Bobby and Peggy Ingram of Cisco, Lee and Sue Pettigrew of DeLeon, Diana Snider, Larry and DeLinda Snider and Kenneth Welch.

On Sunday afternoon, those coming from the First Baptist Church were Rev. Bill and Tootie Campbell and June Dossey. Bro. Bill led singing accompanied by June on the piano. His text was Psalms 121:1-2. There were 13 residents and guests Don Landers of Springtown and Nancy Hendricks.

Some guests were Cliff Bramlett of Seattle, Washington, Billie Jean Grisham, Kathy Miller, Shanna, Taylor Hope and Alyssa Mahan of DeLeon, Donald Lee Joiner of Houston, Howard and Barbara Joiner of Arlington, Joyce Bramlett and Cliff Bramlett of Stephenville, Lucy Joiner, Ennis and Nina Joiner, David and Linda Glover, Garrett Gilder, Nancy Hendricks, Robert and Becky Moore, Emily Green, Randy and Leslie Green of DeLeon.

On Monday morning, residents were happy to have Karen Guthery open the beauty shop for hair fixings.

Some guests were Lindon Shipman and Michael Shipman of Ft. Worth, Larry and Jerry Majors of DeLeon, Steve and Dorenda Minten of Buchanan Dam, Kelli Williams and Kim Ryon of Desdemona.

Residents send "Get Well Greetings" to Estelle Craddock who is home after several weeks in the hospital.

Recent guests were Minten McCoy of Rising Star, Randy Rainey of Proctor, Tim Carter, S.E. and Melba Carter of Eastland, Winnie Rainey, Clyde and DeSha Johnson of Stephenville, Paul Johnson of Lubbock, Roy and Charlotte Johnson of Desdemona, Esther Cannon of Conroe.

On Monday morning, Pat Graham and Ina Smith had bingo. There

were twelve players.

Some guests were Bonnie D. Stewart, Lonnie and Edith Grumbles, Jewel Dean Morris of DeLeon, Becky Smith of Cross Plains, Rachel Beal of May, Landon Beal, Annie Fay Foster, Martha Overstreet, Pam Childers.

On Monday, those coming for the Gospel Singing were Ruby Lee Kinser, Woodrow and Helen Browning, Ernestine Campbell, Alpha Mae Andry, Marjorie Treadway, Nancy Hendricks. Woodrow and Helen accompanied by Ruby Lee brought the special music. There were thirteen residents and guest Winston Brown.

Residents sends Dorothy Roberts of Desdemona "Get Well Wishes."

Some visitors were Winston Brown, Levi Roberts, Shannon Roberts, Shaylor Roberts, Kendra Roberts, Bo and Anna Lee Roberts, Rodney and Vickie Roberts of Stephenville, Kennard and Doylena Roberts of Gustine.

On Tuesday morning, Betty Duke of Desdemona came and played the electric keyboard and led singing for a large group of residents.

Recent guests were Ann Holt of Austin, Glenn Glasson, Gena Rone,

Tootie and Bill Campbell, Howard and Pat Hagood.

On Wednesday morning, Bro. Bill Campbell and Tootie Campbell came for chapel. His topic was "I Will Remember." Background passage was Psalms 77:10-12. There were 16 residents and one guest, Ennis Joiner, present.

Visiting were Don and Jo Carey of Midlothian, Maxine Frasier of DeLeon, Durward Webb, Alpha Mae Andry, Ann Warren.

Wednesday afternoon, Ina Smith had "crazy bingo" for a happy group of residents.

Some guests were Max and Janice Grice of Brownfield, Tisha and Daniel of Stephenville, Irene West, George Rodgers, Sue Spivey, Mary Ann Alexander of Brownwood, Woodrow and Helen Browning, Jimmy Little and Wilbur Overstreet.

On Friday morning, Pat Graham and Ina Smith had bingo for residents.

Some visitors were Don Landers of Springtown, Marjorie Treadway, Ernestine Campbell, Stanley Porter, Henry Lenz of Carbon, E.G. and Nancy Henderson of Lake Leon, C.J. and Liz Henderson of Abilene, and Vicki Seay.

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Desdemona News

By Vonnie Guthery

Ladies monthly social was held last Monday, February 9th at the Desdemona Community Center. The tables and entire room was decorated with the Valentine theme. Several out of town visitors attended. Hostesses were Dorothy Roberts, Estelle Lindley and Evah Sparkman.

Bernard and Ann Keith was in Abilene last Monday for their appointment with the ear doctor.

Alta Mae Wilcoxson and Kerry Prather of Odessa visited recently with Gary and Jody Walston and their new grandson, Trevor Lane Walston.

Johnny and Sandy Cameron of Sanger, Texas visited with Bernard and Ann Keith. They went to San Angelo on Tuesday to attend the funeral of their cousin, Diana Cameron.

Vonnie Guthery visited last Thursday in Stephenville with Agatha (Genoway) Nance who lives in the Good Tree Apartments. Agatha is a former resident of Desdemona wher she attended school and graduated with the Class of 1934. She enjoys coming to "Hogtown" to visit with friends and neighbors.

Boyd (Crenshaw) King recently moved from Big Springs, Texas to the Good Tree Apartments in Stephenville. She is a former resident of Desdemona where she attended school with the Class of 1933. Boyd is a sister to Ruth (Crenshaw) Knaack in Desdemona.

Desdemona Volunteer Fire Department will host their annual Fireman's School at the Community Center on Saturday, February 21st. Dwight Dold serves as fire Chief of the fire department.

Please contact this reporter with your weekly news. "Happy Valentine Day" to our friends and neighbors from Pug and Vonnie Guthery.

KOKOMO NEWS

BY ZELDA JORDAN

Woodrow Browning really blessed our hearts as he sang "He Touched Me" at the Sunday morning service at the Kokomo Baptist Church. His wife, Helen was at the piano.

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

Nina and Bobby Koonce of Stephenville had lunch with Betty and Larry Strube on Tuesday.

Oren and Norma Webb visited one day last week in Comanche with their grandchildren, Kaci, Randall and Aaron Suniga and Jacob Webb.

LaVon Snider visited in Brownwood with Carolyn Eaves. Those visiting with LaVon were Erik, Belinda, Isaac and Ella Segura of Gorman, and Dwayne and Connie Snider of Stephenville.

Joe and Glynda Bond visited recently in Copperas Cove with Shannon, Stephanie and Raegan Bond. Glynda also had a check-up with her doctor at Round Rock.

Joe and Glynda Bond enjoyed a couple days this past week on a friend's ranch at Uvalde.

Johnnie B. Griffith, Betty Little, Zelda Jordan and Sylvia Buchanan visited with Nancy Hendricks.

Daisy Slaton of Gorman visited with Zelda Jordan. Oren and Norma Webb visited with Delmon and Joyce Eaves. "HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY" TO ALL.



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