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Happy New Year



NEW YEAR CHEER!

Extending special thanks and hoping that the moments you share with those you love will bring you much happiness and joy all through the new year.

From the Staff and Correspondents of

The Gorman Progress

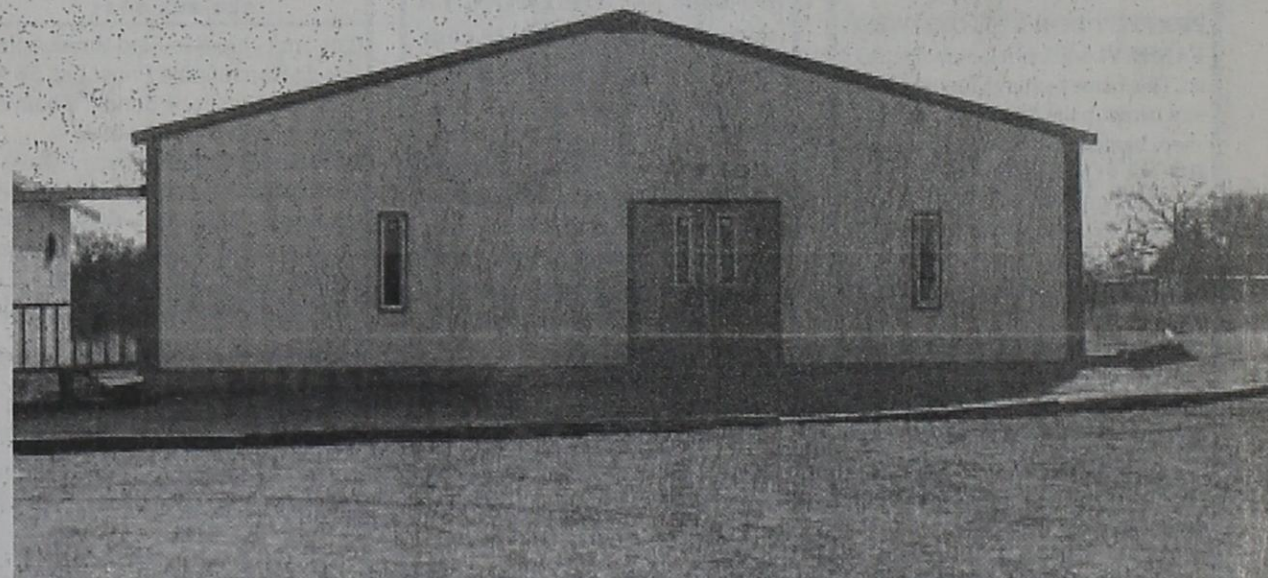
Joe - Lonnie - Marilyn - Estelle - Vonnie - Zelda and Nancy

American State Bank Makes Donation to Gorman GROW



Gorman Branch Manager James Bruton presented a check for \$600 to Gorman GROW member Lori Dodd. The bank wanted to make a donation to Community Club to help with the new basketball courts. **THANK YOU AMERICAN STATE BANK!**

Thank You Lord



Thank you Lord and thank you to everyone who has given in any way to The Bride of Christ Church. Our new Sanctuary is now finished.

We will be having our first service this Sunday, January 2, 2005 from 10 a.m. to 12 noon.

We welcome everyone to worship with us.

In Christ's love,
The Bride of Christ

New Year's Eve Singing at New Hope Baptist Church

The annual New Year's Eve Singing will be held at New Hope Baptist Church on Friday, December 31, beginning at 8 P.M. This is a yearly community event to which all are invited. There will be an intermission at 10 P.M. for a time of visiting and fellowship. Refreshments will be provided. Singing will resume after the break and continue until midnight.

Come and be a part of a community tradition of over thirty years of ushering in the new year in song at New Hope.

It's a Girl!



Jeff and Angela Clark of Comanche are proud to announce the birth of their new daughter, Emma Angeline Clark, born November 29th in Brownwood. Emma Angeline was welcomed by big brother Brandon. She weighed 6 pounds and 15 ounces and was 19 1/2 inches long. Maternal grandmother is Glenda Boren of San Angelo, Texas. Paternal grandparents are Tommy and Michaelyn Clark of Gorman. Great grandparents are Roma Hood of Gorman, the late D.R. (Speck) & Hazel Clark and the late Daman and Gracie Smith.

Obituaries

William A. (Bill) Green

William A. (Bill) Green, 79, of Eastland, went to be with the Lord in His Heavenly Home December 24, 2004. Bill was born December 21, 1925 to parents Alfred and Lola Green. He bravely served his county during WWII as a SGT in the Air Force. He retired from the Eastland County Sheriff's office where he worked as a jailer for many years. Bill married Colleen Owens of Cisco, October 12, 1946. He was a member of the Flatwood Church of Christ. Bill loved life and lived for his family.



Bill was preceded in death by his parents Alfred and Lola Green and a daughter Tammy Green. He was survived by his adoring wife Colleen of Eastland, a daughter, Becky Green Long of Olden, his granddaughters Holly Biggs-Bays of Stephenville, Kelly Green Prince of Homer, LA, Katryn Hinman of Scott, LA, and Jessica Benson of Olden; One sister, Patricia Cleveland of Abilene and a great-grandson who was the light of Bill's life, Benjamin Price.

Services were Tuesday, December 28 at the Edwards Funeral Home Chapel with interment at the Eastland City Cemetery under the direction of Edwards Funeral Home.

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Barbara Ann Funderburgh

Barbara Ann Funderburgh passed from this life on December 26, 2004 only to enjoy eternal life with our Lord. Ann was a very special person; she was a beloved wife, loving mother, grandmother, great-grandmother, and a friend to many. Ann filled her life as a homemaker and she was a member of the New Hope Baptist Church. Ann fought a courageous battle with cancer over the past five years, and was an inspiration to all who knew her. Ann was dearly loved and will be greatly missed. We are all so proud of her strength and unwavering faith. Now she is with her Lord and Savior that she loved so much. Ann was preceded in death by her parents, her sister, and her brother.



Ann is survived by her loving husband of over 30 years, Cecil Funderburgh of Eastland; four children, David Dixon of Gainesville, Debby Hogan and husband Dale of Gorman, Kathy Williams and husband Shanon of Katy, Cecil Funderburgh III and wife Christie of Eastland; six grandchildren, James and Jason Hogan, Amber and Clayton Williams, and Madison and Haley Funderburgh; one great-grandson, Brinden Lynn Hogan.

The family would like to invite everyone to come and share with us in a celebration of Ann's life. Services will be held at the First Baptist Church in Eastland on Friday, December 31, 2004 at 2:00 P.M. The burial will take place at the Garvin Cemetery, between Springtown and Boyd.

Donations may be made to Hendricks Hospice.

Mary K. Winkles

Mary K. Winkles, 83, of DeLeon, passed away on Sunday, December 26, 2004 in a Ft. Worth hospital. Services were Tuesday, December 28, 2004 at the Nowlin Funeral Home Chapel with Jackie Auvenshine officiating, assisted by Kenneth Wilson. Burial was at the DeLeon Cemetery.

Mary was born on July 7, 1921 in Comanche County to the late Henry and Effie Lee Gardner Franks. She was a loving mother, worked at a sewing factory in Eastland for 35 years, had lived in DeLeon all of her life and was a Protestant.

Survivors include three daughters, Barbara Stewart of Burleson, Wandelle Boswell of DeLeon and Linda Burleson of DeLeon; brother, Jay "Hacker" Franks of Abilene; sister Doris Kennard of DeLeon; 6 grandchildren and 4 great grandchildren.

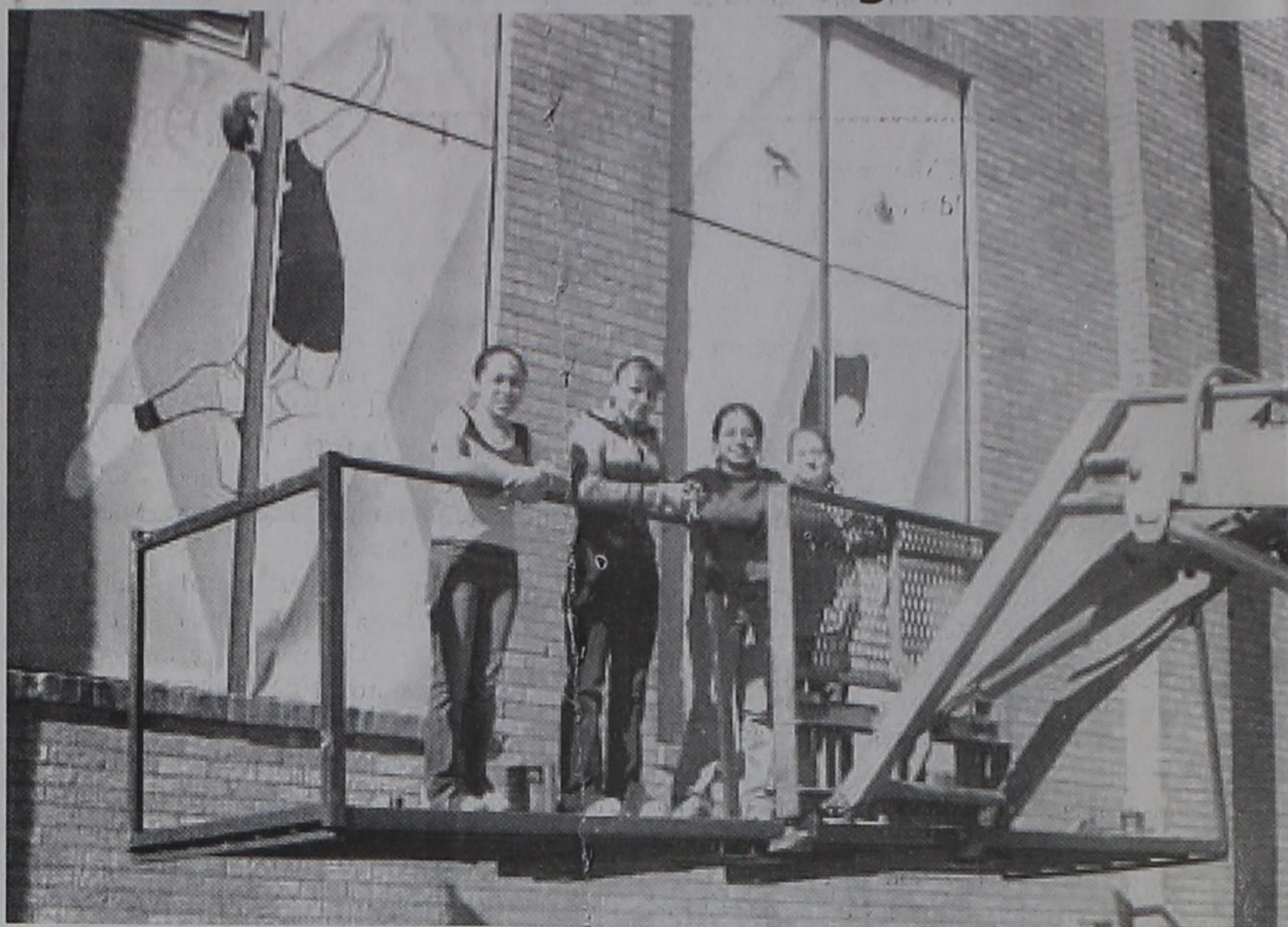
She was preceded in death by a daughter Billie Fay Winkles and one granddaughter.

Opal Swinney McHouell

Opal Swinney McHouell, 90, of DeLeon, passed away on Saturday, December 25, 2004 at DeLeon Nursing and Rehab. Services were Tuesday, December 28, 2004 at the Nowlin Funeral Home Chapel with Jackie Auvenshine officiating. Burial was at the DeLeon Cemetery.

Opal was born on March 1, 1914 in Comanche County to the late Harlan and Julia Stephenson Martin. She married Robert Swinney on January 16, 1935 at Rock Bluff. He preceded her in death September 17, 1983. She later married O.T. McHouell on April 5, 1984 in Early, Texas. He preceded

NAHS Mural Projects



NAHS is working on murals once again. This time, Art II students are working on the outside of the Gorman High School gym. Murals represent the different sports that take place inside the gym. Preparing the stencils for these murals were all the students in Art II.

The following students gave up some days of their Christmas break to start on the murals: Elizabeth Hipolito, Patricia Gutierrez, Frances Lewis, Maria Garcia, and Joanna Esquivel.

Helping and supervising were Amanda and Craig Rainey. Gorman High is once again welcoming back students and faculty.

We would like to thank Revise Laminack and Birdsong Peanuts for the use of the lifts.

GORMAN INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT TAX OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED

DECEMBER 20, 2004 THRU JANUARY 3, 2005

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ITEMS OF INTEREST

VET Science 4-H Project - 4th Tuesday each Month. Technology Center / Gorman Community Center. Contact Lee or Amy Wood at 254-734-2973.

The Order of the Eastern Star holds its regular stated meetings on the first Monday of each month at 7:30 p.m.

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

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Second Thursday

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Tuesdays - 6:30 p.m.
Methodist Church

4-H - Meets Second Monday of each month at 6:00 p.m. at the First United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall - Amy Wood - 734-2973.

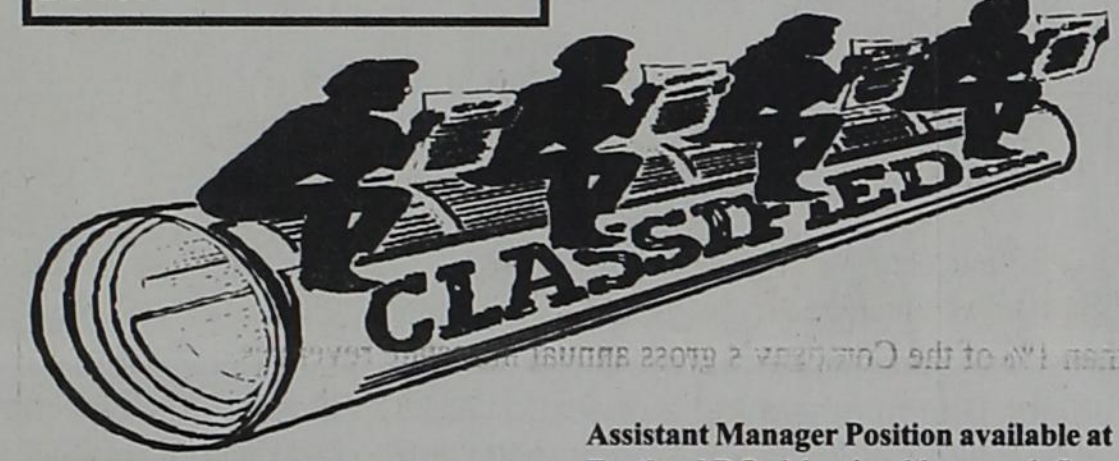
SANDRA CAGLE WILL BE IN GORMAN AT THE CITY OFFICE TO RENEW AUTO LICENSE PLATES. HER NEXT VISIT - THIRD WEDNESDAY - JANUARY 19TH FROM 9 - 12 NOON.

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. Bob Wilkerson, Master - Pat Moseley, Secretary.

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.

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.



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NEW : 14 A. 3-1-2 brick, app 1375', 10a Tifton 85 bermuda, 2 wells, several sheds and outbuildings, good location. \$85,000.
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47.65 A. 4 miles west of Gorman, 25A coastal, 20 A. cultivated, 2 ponds, barn / pens, good dear area, \$1,050 acre.
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210 Acres, irrig. Wells, tank, corrals, hwy. frontage. \$294,000
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596 A., 4/2, brick, barns, creek, pasture, wildlife. \$685,000. **SOLD**
512 A. on Sabanna River, 12 ponds, pecan trees, rural water, pasture, hunting. \$740,000. **SOLD**
382 A. large pond & irrig. pit, 4 small ponds, irrig. Wells, good fences, pecan trees, woods, coastal, hunting. \$515,700 **SOLD**
216 A. excellent coastal, 2 tanks, irrig. wells, hwy. frontage. #270,000 **SOLD**
157 A. Callahan Co., 2 tanks, 6 wells, home site, coastal, cropland. \$196,250
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77 A. Palo Pinto Co., Woods, creek, hunting, might divide. \$240,000
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Kokomo News

By Zelda Jordan

Wasn't the snow beautiful? Maybe you got to build a snowman. I didn't venture out in the cold to build a snowman, and by the time my grandchildren and great-grandchildren came for Christmas, most of the snow had melted. I think that we received between 4 and 5 inches of snow in our area. It truly was a beautiful sight.

I hope that everyone had a wonderful Christmas and will have a very happy and prosperous New Year.

There was only one service at the Kokomo Baptist Church on Sunday. The special music on Sunday morning was rendered by Woodrow Browning, Helen Browning, Leona Wilson, Ruby Lee Kinser, Kay Snider and Joe Bond with Glynda Bond at the piano. Brian Bond of Houston was a visitor.

On the weekend before Christmas, Bobby and Mary Jane Little were hosts in their home for the Rendall family Christmas get-together. Those enjoying the celebration were Lenora Preston of Cleburne, Pat and Rudy Rendall and grandchildren, Anna and Patrick Lee of Midland, Judy and Randy Hall of Cleburne, Jacob, Laura and Hayden Hall of Cleburne, and Bobby and Mary Jane Little.

On Christmas Night, Bobby and Mary Jane Little hosted the Little Family Christmas get-together in their home. Those joining them for the celebration were Ima Boles of Granbury, Bill and Lois Ann Boles of Granbury and their daughter, Abby of Fort Worth, Johnny Little and friend Gail from Lindale, Jimmy Little of Ben Wheeler, Betty Little of Kokomo, Doug and Carole Little of Midland, Karen Patterson of Eastland, Jimmy and Verna Lee Little of Kokomo, Nelda, Cody and Jarad Fails of Arlington, James, Jill, Ashley and Breckley Little of Lake Leon, Charles and Carolyn Little of Kokomo, Scotty, Caye, Zack and Zane Mauney of Santo, Alan, Shellie, Justin and Ally Little of Eastland, LaDawn, Stacy and Alexis Snapp of Lewisville, Arleen, Terry, Andrew, Jonathan, Michael, and Lauren Barfield and Andrea Norris of Tyler. There was someone from the family of all of the

The Dorcas Class Sending Gift Baskets to Armed Forces in Iraq

The Dorcas Class of the Gorman Church of Christ is sending a gift basket to the men and women of the Armed Forces in Iraq. If anyone else would like to participate with us, please contact Francis Simpson. Suggested items for the basket are shampoo, conditioner, lotion, powder, soap, socks, sunscreen, baby wipes, chapstick, toothbrushes, toothpaste, antibiotic ointment, shaving gel and cream, cards, dominoes, paper, pens, books, magazines, disposable cameras, flavored drink mixes, beef jerky, tea and breakfast bars and handmade items. The box will be sent in mid January. Watch for participating merchants who will have boxes available in their stores.

Thanks to New Hope Carolers

My thanks to the young people and Rev. Richard Watson of New Hope Baptist Church who came to my home singing Christmas Carols and wishing me a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year—teaching the true spirit of Christmas.

I am sure others in the Community share in my appreciation of this gesture of love and friendship. May God continue to bless them.
Estelle Craddock

Desdemona News

By Vonnice Guthery

Lorin Kaye Eaves celebrated her 11th birthday on Wednesday, December 22nd with a family party in the home of her grandparents, Wayne and Karen Eaves.

Robert and Ima Brown spent Christmas Day in Fort worth for a family dinner with their son, Robert Alton and Jana Brown and children Preston and Julie.

Wayne and Karen Eaves and Lorin hosted an early family Christmas supper and gift exchange on Thursday, December 23. Those attending were Johnny and Catherine Eaves of Gorman; Bobby and Elaine Eaves of Albany; Jennifer Eaves of Weatherford; Roy and Michaelyn Squyres and daughter, Kimmie of Ranger; Josh Eaves and Jeremy Eaves of Gorman; Steven and Melinda Watson of Eastland.

Dorothy Roberts enjoyed all of her family on Christmas Day for dinner and gift exchange. Those attending were Ulenda Weaver; Richard Cofsky; Heather Caddell and children Kelsey, Cameron and Cain; Heath Weaver, Ashley Weaver and children, Tanner and Noah; Shelly Mendez and son Samuel all of Fort Worth; Jeff Roberts and Henry Rivas of Dallas; Mark and Emily Williams and daughter Kena.

Larry and Gay Moore enjoyed having their family on Christmas Day for an early morning breakfast and gift exchange. Those attending were Bruce and Renee White and children Chelsea and Cory of Stephenville; Paul and Susan Moore and children Hagan and Scarlett of Lingleville; Shorty Fox of Desdemona. Other visitors in the home were Bobby and Joan Baker of Desdemona; Stormy Hurd of Gorman and Thomas Hurd of the U.S. Navy.

This reporter received a lovely Christmas card from Anita (Ashburn) Cohagan of Aurora, Colorado. The Ashburn family are former residents of Desdemona where their children attended school. Anita was with the Class of 1941. She would like to say "hello" to all of her former classmates and friends in this area. Anita attends the Homecoming in Desdemona when her health permits.

Desdemona Post Office lobby was the place to be on Thursday, December 23 as the assistant postmaster, Bobbie McKillip, does her annual treat for everyone. She had two tables covered with lots of good food, snacks, desserts and drinks. This is one way that Bobbie can show her love for this community and her appreciation to all of her friends and neighbors. Thanks Bobbie—we did enjoy all of it.

Wayne and Karen Eaves and Lorin hosted a family Christmas Day dinner. Those attending were Pug and Vonnice Guthery, Bernard and Ann Keith, Belinda Guthery, Holly Guthery, Kandice Cogburn and son Dylan all of Desdemona; Roy and Angela Powledge and children Colin, Kaley and Lane of Eastland.

When you throw out the Christmas tree—be careful not to throw out the Christmas spirit with it.

Happy new Year to all of our friends and neighbors from Pug and Vonnice Guthery, Hogtown, U.S.A.

Have a nice day.

children of the late John and Mamie Little together for the first time in a long time, and all had a great time.

Terry and Arleen Barfield, Andrew, Jonathan, Michael and Lauren and Andrea Norris of Tyler and Stacy and LaDawn Snapp and Alexis of Lewisville spent Saturday night and Sunday with their parents, Bobby and Mary Jane Little

Alexis remained for a visit this week with her grandparents.

Those visiting with Charles and Carolyn Little during the Christmas holidays were Caye, Scotty, Zack and Zane Mauney of Santo, Charla and Danny Burgess of Gorman, Alan, Shellie, Justin and Ally Little of Eastland, Doug and Carole Little of Midland, Johnny Little and friend Gail, of Tyler, Jimmy Little of Ben Wheeler, Joe Little of Las Cruces, NM and friend Gail of San Antonio, David Little and Kelly Jernigan of Denver, CO. Zack and Zane Mauney and Justin and Ally Little remained for a few days visit with their grandparents.

Those visiting with Betty Little during the Christmas holidays and enjoying Christmas Dinner on Sunday were Doug and Carole Little of Midland, David Little and Kelly Jernigan of Denver, CO., Joe Little of Las Cruces, NM and friend, Alysia of San Antonio, and Karen Patterson of Eastland.

Betty Little and Karen Patterson visited during the weekend before Christmas with Sandy and Toby Mullin, Laura and Rebekah of Aspermont, and Clay and Will Patterson of Seymour who were also visiting in the Mullin home.

Nelda, Cody and Jarad Fails of Arlington spent Saturday and Sunday nights with Jimmy and Verna Lee Little. Those joining them for Christmas dinner on Sunday were Ray Neal and Melissa Little, Emily and Kourtney of Eastland, James, Jill, Ashley and Breckley of Lake Leon, and Tim Breeden of Arlington. Jarad Fails remained for a visit this week with his grandparents, the Jimmy Littles.

James and Mary Donham hosted an early Christmas celebration in their home on Thursday before Christmas. Those attending were their daughters and families, Pam and Doug Wintermute and Sarah and Emily of Carthage, and Chris, and Scott Clayton, Travis and Trevor of Springtown, and Mary's mother, Donnie Rone.

James and Mary Donham attended a Christmas celebration on Christmas Eve night at the home of his mother, Bertie Donham in Cisco. Others enjoying the celebration were Bertie and Drew Dan Jackson of Cisco, Mike and Cindy Rodgers, Lisa, Lori Beth and Eric of Rochester, Stephen and Vanessa Jackson, Drew and Will of Waco, Jean and Roland Ziehr, Jeff and Sissy Ziehr and Whitley and D. J., Jimmy and Judy Atkinson, Timmy and Misty Atkinson, Kelton and Jason all of Clyde, W. T. and Loretta Donham of Cisco, William and Gregory of Stephenville, Tommy Donham of Cisco, B. W. and Sandra Carr of Cisco and Chris, Travis and Trevor Clayton of Springtown.

Randy, Deliah, Chris and Jon Lewis of Ennis and Clifford and Doris Graham of Eastland and their granddaughter and husband, Katy and Josh Daugnault of Dexter, NM visited with Delmon and Joyce Eaves during the Christmas holi

days. Nancy Buchanan and Sylvia Buchanan had dinner on Christmas Day with Doris Bradshaw of Gorman.

Bob and Beverley Pharriss of Haskell and Alvis and Bonnie Scitem visited with Larry and Betty Strube.

If I missed your Christmas news, please call me and I'll get in next weeks paper.

Those enjoying Christmas Day with John and Troy Scitem were their children and grandchildren, Johnny and JoAnn Scitem, Laverne and Tommy Carr of Lake Whitney, Mickey Carr of Dallas, Kris, Kristen and Karsyn Scitem, and Nicholas, Keri and Kelsey Guthery of Gorman.

Those visiting with Zelda Jordan during the Christmas holidays were Glenda and Leon Black of Abilene, Joe, Viki and Justin Miles of Austin, Robert Miles of Bastrop and Brad and Meagan Miles of Waco, Wade, Sheri, Ryan, Kody and Emily Daniell of Abilene, Cindy and Kayla Jordan of Lubbock, Clinton Fawver of Welch, Nancy Hendricks, Sylvia Buchanan, Jimmy and Maggie Nelson of Fort Worth and Alexis, Tiffany and Ethan Nelson of Fort Worth. It was a wonderful time of visiting, eating, playing games and exchanging gifts.

IT'S A GIRL

Oren and Norma Webb were in Brownwood on Friday to visit with their new great-granddaughter, Kaelee Jean Suniga who was born on Thursday, December 23, 2004 in a Brownwood hospital. She weighed 7 lbs. 6 oz. Her parents are Randall and Kaci Suniga of Comanche. Luis and Valia Suniga of Comanche are the paternal grandparents and Stacy Webb and Brenda Webb of Comanche are the maternal grandparents. Oren and Norma Webb of Kokomo are the maternal great-grandparents. Kaelee Jean was also welcomed by her brother, Aaron Jacob Suniga and her uncle, Jacob Webb.

Congratulations to Randall and Kaci and all the family.

Jacob Webb of Burleson had supper with his grandparents, Oren and Norma Webb on Wednesday night.



Customer Notice

Comanche County Telephone Company, Inc. (Comanche County or the Company) has filed a request with the Public Utility Commission of Texas (Commission) seeking approval to implement minor rate changes to revise residential and business local exchange line charges.

The proposed effective date for the minor rate changes is April 1, 2005, for all exchanges served by Comanche County. The estimated annual revenue increase recognized by the Company is \$68,164 for the first year of service, which is less than 1% of the Company's gross annual intrastate revenues.

Current and proposed rates for Local Exchange Rates are:

	Current	Proposed
Residential Local Exchange Service Rate	\$9.60	\$10.56
Business Local Exchange Service Rate	\$14.10	\$15.51

Persons with questions or who want more information on this application may contact the Company at 6100 Hwy 16, DeLeon, Texas 76444 or call (254) 893-2003 during normal business hours (8:00 am - 5:00 pm). A complete copy of the application is available for inspection at the address listed above. The Commission has assigned Tariff Control Number 30508 to this application. Persons who wish to formally participate in the Commission's proceedings concerning this application, or who wish to express their comments concerning this application should contact the Public Utility Commission's Office of Customer Protection at (512) 936-7136 or reach the Commission's toll free number through Relay Texas at (800) 735-2988.

Requests to participate in the proceedings and comments should reach the Commission no later than February 11, 2005. If the Commission receives a complaint(s) relating to this application signed by the lesser of 5% or 1,500 of the affected local service customer to which this application applies by February 11, 2005, the application will be docketed. The 5% limitation will be calculated based upon the total number of customers of record as of the calendar month preceding the Commission's receipt of the complaint(s).

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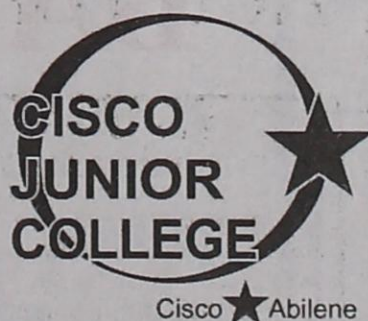
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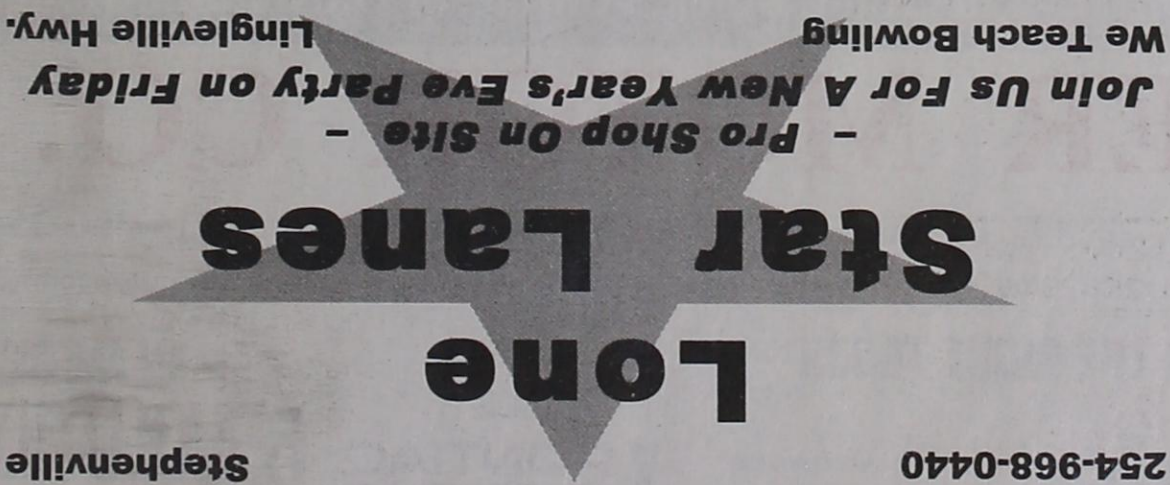
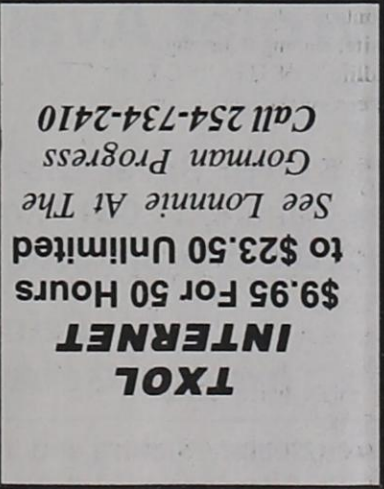
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Heritage Manor News

By Nancy Hendricks

Some visitors were Rex and Trudy Long and Charlene Rider of Rising Star, Dorothy Whiteside of Sipe Springs.

On Sunday morning coming from the First Baptist Church for Sunday School were Tootie Campbell and James Tucker. Howard and Pat Hagood were guests. James taught the lesson, "Praise Jesus, Our Savior." Background passage, Luke 1:20-38 and Luke 2:1-20. Key Bible verse Luke 2:20. Life question—What do I have to praise Jesus for? James gave the Christmas Story and Tootie led singing Christmas carols. A resident voiced the opening prayer and another gave the closing prayer. There were nineteen attending.

Some guests were Rodney and Vicki Roberts of Stephenville, Kennard and Doylena Roberts of Gustine, Winston Brown, Bo and Anna Lee Roberts, Levi Roberts, Shannon and Trinity Roberts, Shaylor Roberts and Dorothy Roberts of Desdemona. Residents sure appreciated the good magazines that were donated.

On Sunday afternoon, those coming from the Bride of Christ Church were Denver and Alice Rainey and Mary Griffin. Bro. Denver's message, "Christ in His Eternal Plan for Salvation." Bible passage — John 3:16 and Romans 8:35-30. There were ten residents present.

Recent visitors were Sue and Lee Pettigrew of Desdemona, Bobby and Peggy Ingram, Bill Moll and Maudie Husband of Cisco, Diana Snider, Larry and DeLinda Snider.

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

Visitors were Marie Cook and Sylvia Estes of Carbon. Dr. Mike and Marsha Whitehorn of Abilene, Heidi Forbes and Michael Forbes of Virginia Beach, Virginia and James and Mary Jesse of Ft. Worth and Bubba.

On Monday morning, pat Graham, Judy Killebrew, Jason Killebrew and Ina Smith had bingo for eleven residents.

Open House

On Friday, December 17th at 2:30 p.m. was Open House for everyone. All the residents received a sack of goodies. The 4-H Club gave beautiful decorated cookies that were served with delicious lime punch. Christmas napkins and plates with fresh fruit centerpiece, all were very pretty. A large crowd enjoyed the special occasion.

Some recent guests were Zelda Jordan, Jerry Brown, Durward Webb, Irene West, Dan and Jo Carey of Midlothian, Pat and Howard Hagood.

Residents enjoyed and appreciated the fruit that the First Baptist gave residents.

Some guests were Frank and Ella Reeves of Irving, Thomas and Vicki Seay, Tootie and Bill Campbell, John and Georgie Lee Hopper of Georgetown, Daisy Slaton, James Tucker.

Monday afternoon, those coming for the Gospel Singing were Ernestine Campbell, Marjorie Treadway, Zelda Jordan, Daisy Slaton, Billy Joe and Betty Sue Dennis and Nancy Hendricks. Ernestine played the piano for Christmas carols and gospel songs for everyone to sing. Denver Rainey sent word for Happy Birthday to be sang as it was a resident's birthday. There were fourteen residents present. A resident gave the dismissal prayer.

Recent visitors were Bonnie D. Stewart and Jewel Dean Morris of DeLeon, Lendon and Shelly Morgan of Garland, Billy Joe and Betty Sue Dennis.

On Tuesday morning, Ina Smith had a surprise gift bingo. Resident winners got to select their gift prize from an assortment of gifts.

Some guests were Wade Craddock Jr. of Las Cruces, NM, Kay Craddock, Estelle Craddock, Mary Margaret Hudson, Harold and Tody Zink.

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

Visiting were Don Landers of Springtown, Dorothy Roberts of Desdemona, Jerry Majors of DeLeon, Derenda and Steve Menten, Marjorie Treadway, Ernestine Campbell, Mary Griffin, Denver and Alice Rainey, Eric Ryon and Jarad Majors.

Residents were sure happy for Rose Hamilton to manicure their fingernails.

Some guests were Bonnie Croft of Lake Leon, Max and Janice Grice of Brownfield, Tisha and Daniel Grice of Stephenville, Anna Rush, Geraldine Wright.

On Wednesday afternoon, residents enjoyed "crazy bingo" with Ina Smith, Judy Killebrew and Jason Killebrew.

Some visitors were Becky Moore, Emily Green, Monica Moore of DeLeon.

Thursday morning was "Gift Bingo" time with Ina. Residents enjoyed picking their choice gift.

Some guests were Paul and Pat Johnson of Lubbock, Roy and Charlotte Johnson of Desdemona, Clyde and DeSha Johnson of Stephenville.

Thursday afternoon residents enjoyed singing Christmas songs, visiting and telling about yesterday's Christmas.

Recent guests were Jimmy and Verna Lee Little of Eastland, Freddie Rodgers, Betty Duke of Desdemona, George Rodgers, Tim Dennis and Nell Files of Carbon.

Everyone sends "Get Well Wishes and a Speedy Recovery" to Tootie Campbell. The report is that she is doing fine.

Your reporter and residents wish everyone a "Happy New Year."

Second Moran Resident Sentenced to Prison in Eastland County Burglary

Teddy Mack Tabor, 24, of Moran, is now an inmate awaiting transfer to state prison to serve a eighteen (18) month sentence for burglary of a building. Tabor was sentenced Wednesday, December 22, 2004 in the 91st District Courtroom in Eastland County by State District Judge Steven Herod after entering a plea of guilty. The maximum sentence available for burglary of a building is two years.

Tabor's conviction stems from an arrest made as a result of a comprehensive law enforcement investigation into a string of burglaries in several Big Country area counties, including a residence north of the city of Cisco. On December 3, 2004, another Moran resident, Lance Hawley, was sentenced to a term of two years and a term of ten years in prison as a result of the same investigation. Several other suspects have been arrested and are currently awaiting trial.

Several thousand dollars in stolen property, including all terrain vehicles and trailers were recovered and returned to their rightful owners.

Local agencies participating in the investigation include the Eastland County Sheriff's Office led by Chief Deputy Robert Rains and Windell Light, Texas Ranger David Hullum and Department of Public Safety — Motor Vehicle Theft Sergeant Danny Crawford. Shackelford, Callahan and Stephens County Sheriff Departments also participated in the investigation.

Criminal District Attorney Russ Thomason prosecuted the case and Landon Thompson of Cisco represented Tabor for the defense.

School Menu

Week of Jan. 3
Breakfast

Monday--No School
Tuesday--Breakfast burritos, milk, juice
Wednesday--Waffle stix, yogurt, milk, juice
Thursday--Muffins, apples, milk, juice
Friday--Sausage, biscuits, gravy, milk, juice

Monday--No School
Tuesday--Chili/cheese dogs, sauerkraut, mixed fruit, milk
Wednesday--Pizza, corn, salad, fruit, milk
Thursday--Chicken nuggets, mashed potatoes, green beans, hot rolls, milk
Friday--Hamburgers, fries, milk

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