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## Gorman Girls Take 1st and Boys Take 4th in Meridian Power Lifting Meet



Gorman Girls powerlifting team took 1st place at the Meridian Yellowjackets powerlifting meet this past Saturday. (L-R) Amanda Naeseth, Sharla Perez, Kendra Swanner, Nikki Keith, Sandra Lara, Rosa Herrera, Reba Grando, Tecia Jones, and Summer Olvera



David pulling up 350lbs at the meet.



Amanda on the dead lift. Amanda received the best Outstanding Lifter in the girls light-weight division.

## City General Election Set For Saturday, May 7

The Gorman City General Election has been set for Saturday, May 7, 2005. Two Commissioners' terms will expire this year. Those two positions are Commissioner Place 1 Nathan Files, and Commissioner Place 3 Durward Webb. The first day to file an application for a place on the ballot is February 5, 2005. The last day for candidates to file for inclusion is March 7, 2005. You may file during regular city office hours from 8:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. We are not, however, required to be open on Saturday February 5 which is a Saturday.

## Panthers Lose To Cross Plains In Overtime

### Panthers Also Lose A Hard Fought Battle to Ranger

The Varsity boys lost a very close well played game in overtime to Cross Plains on Tuesday and lost another hard fought battle on Friday to Ranger.

**Cross Plains vs. Gorman**  
Scores by Quarter:  
Gorman 8 23 12 17 7(OT) 72  
Cross Plains 11 21 12 16 12(OT) 67  
Leading Scorers:  
Wright 14, Lewis 3, Keith 6, Sanchez 8, Ibarra 4, Jones 7, Patel 6, Giles 19.

**Ranger vs. Gorman**  
Scores by Quarter:  
Gorman 6 5 7 9 27  
Ranger 12 5 7 18 42  
Leading Scorers:  
Lewis 13, Keith 2, Sanchez 3, Ibarra 2, Jones 5, Giles 2.

More inside this issue.

David Ibarra - Shown at Right - gets a huge rebound as Aaron Keith pressures to assist.



## Gorman To Host 3rd Annual Gorman Powerlifting Meet

The Gorman Athletic Department and the Gorman Athletic Booster Club will be hosting the 3rd Annual Gorman Powerlifting Meet on Saturday January 29th. Weigh-in starts at 6:30 am and lifting competition begins around 9:00 am. Competition will begin with the Squat followed by the bench press. After the bench press there will be a 30 - 45 minute break for lunch. After the break the competition will close out with the dead lift followed by an award ceremony.

The Booster Club will be running a concession stand throughout the day. If you wish to help or donate food or drinks, please contact Julie Clark at 734-2257 (The Hair Shoppe). Our booster club, volunteer workers, cheerleaders, and others do a great job of helping us put on a great meet.

We are expecting between 120-140 lifters and around 9 to 10 schools. Confirmed schools at this time are Gorman, Goldthwaite, Strawn, Cisco, Perrin-Whitt, Santo, Winters, Meridian, and DeLeon. Please come out and support our lifters. They have been working hard since mid November. If you have never been to one before, here is your chance to come see what it is all about. Go Panther and Lady Panther Powerlifters!

## Blackwell Hospital Historical Marker Approved

The Texas State Historical Commission has approved the application for the Blackwell Hospital historical marker, and funds (\$1250) have been sent to pay for the marker. At this point, they will compose the wording for the marker and send it back for approval and then once approved will go to the foundry for casting.

## Lady Panthers Lose A Close One; Also Take First District Win

The Lady Panthers played a great game against the Cross Plains Buffalos. We were in the game until the last few minutes of the fourth quarter. We let them get a few runs on us that cost us. The only reason we lost this game was because we ran out of clock, not because of lack of effort or heart.

The girls have gotten better every game and have made this coaching staff very proud. We thank you for your support.

JV score: Gorman 15 cross plains 20  
Regain: 1; Thackerson: 2; Herra: 6; Granado: 6  
Varsity score: gorman 42 cross plains 50

B. Carlton: 4; Keith: 13; Hornback: 6; Swanner: 8; K. Carlton: 2; Seaton: 9

The Lady Panthers edged out Ranger by 11 points on the 21st. This was our first district win. The first and third quarters were our best ones we have had in a while. Our defense and hustle was outstanding. We are a young team this year with only one senior and hope to build for better things to come.

JV score: Gorman 34 Ranger 36

The JV had a great game and had to finish with just four players. They are the reason that the Varsity is getting better.

Regain: 2; Thackerson: 1; Herra: 11; Jones: 13; Granado: 7; Wright: 0

Varsity score: Gorman 47 Ranger 36

B. Carlton: 7; Lewis: 2; Keith: 7; Hornback: 14; Swanner: 9; Seaton: 4; K. Carlton: 4

Basketball Photos Inside this issue

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### INVITED TO ATTEND

George Price and Frances Jones were married January 30, 1955 in the First Baptist Church of Cone, Texas. The Prices moved to Artesia, NM in 1959 and after retirement now reside in Gorman, Texas.

They have 5 children: Son & daughter-in-law Blane and Lisa Price of Oklahoma, son Barry Price of Artesia, NM, Daughter and son-in-law Wendy and Ted Donovan of Waco, TX, daughter Lisa Price of Gorman, TX and son and daughter-in-law of Hobbs, NM.

They have 14 grandchildren: Jennifer(Price) & husband Eric Garner, of Wichita Falls, TX, Jaclyn Price of Odessa, TX, Jared Price US Air Force, Brandon, Allison, Lesley and Becky Price of Artesia, NM, Tyler and Cortnee Donovan of Waco, TX Kati & Colton Deel and Keaton and Tori Collins of Gorman, TX, Brayden and Garrett Price of Hobbs, NM. The Prices also have 4 great grandchildren. Jordan, Joshua, Jonathan and Joey.

There will be a reception on Sunday January 30, 2005 at 1:00 in the Gorman Community Center, Gorman, Texas. All relatives and friends are invited.



Cub Scout  
Pack Meeting  
Thursday, January  
27th  
7:00 p.m.  
First Fruits  
Christian  
Fellowship  
Bring Your  
Derby Car

### School News

Tuesday, Feb. 1st - High School Basketball - here  
Thursday, Feb. 3rd - Jr. High Basketball - here  
Friday, Feb. 4th - High School Basketball - Cross Plains  
Saturday, Feb. 5th - Powerlifting - Dublin



# Desdemona News

BY VONNIE GUTHERY

Desdemona Monthly Musical will again reserve the fourth Saturday night of each month when the musicals start back up in the near future. Several of our area musicians and singers who attended these musicals regular have called this reporter asking when will the Desdemona Monthly Musical begin? They are ready to come back to Desdemona to play and sing. The answer to this question will be soon.

Bernard and Ann Keith attended the monthly musical in Olden last Friday night. They reported a large crowd attended with lots of musicians and good music.

Larry and Gay Moore spent the past weekend in South Texas visiting with friends and relatives. They reported a good trip. Gay came back home sick with the 'bug.'

Dixie Pack enjoys her weekly visits in Abilene with friends, Edith, Pauline and Velda. They enjoy playing cards and dominoes. Also they enjoyed shopping and having lunch together.

"Congratulations" to Denise Groves in Stephenville. She has been named as University Registrar at Tarleton State University. Denise is a former resident of Desdemona and the daughter of the late Brooks and Jessie Faye (Hall) Wilcoxson.

Robert and Annette Cummings and children Cameron, Ashton and Ragan have recently moved back to Desdemona from their home in Georgia. Annette is the daughter of Garth and Nelda (Koonce) Priddy who lives in the Jakehamon Community. Welcome back home.

Kendra Lewis had surgery on December 30, 2004 in Iowa City, Iowa. The twelve hour surgery was very extensive. She is reported to be recovering as well as possible. Kendra is the daughter of Bit and Lora Lewis and granddaughter of Manford and Ruth Lewis all of Desdemona. Get Well wishes to Kendra from Friends in Desdemona. This reporter enjoyed the poem, "My Hero" written by her mother.

Have a nice day, Vonnie.

## --- Lady Panthers ---



Kendra Swanner and Ashlee Hornback wrestle this rebound into Gorman hands.



Nikki Keith drives in strong for a 2 point lay-up.

# Kokomo News

By Zelda Jordan

Those attending the meeting at the Kokomo Baptist Church on Thursday night heard a very interesting and challenging message from Bro. D. K. Hale concerning the Baptist mission work in Canada. Bro. Hale and his wife, Brenda are missionaries with the North American Mission Board. There is a great need for missionaries, pastors and volunteers in Canada to take the gospel to the people. We can't all go to Canada, but we can pray for the work there and give our offerings to help where it is needed.

Following the service, everyone enjoyed a time of fellowship and a soup and dessert supper in the fellowship hall. We were glad to have Bro. Bill and Tootie Campbell of Gorman come to enjoy the service and fellowship with us.

Daryl Hirst rendered the special music at the Sunday morning service at the Kokomo Baptist Church, singing "In The Presence of Jehovah".

The service at the Kokomo Baptist Church on Sunday night, January 30th will be dismissed so the members can attend the 5th Sunday singing at the Desdemona Baptist Church.

J.W. and Glenna Davis of Dublin visited with Johnnie B. Griffith on Friday evening.

Jimmy Dale Hendricks of Eastland, Sylvia Buchanan, Johnnie B. Griffith and Zelda Jordan visited with Nancy Hendricks.

Norma Webb went to Sweetwater on Sunday to visit with her aunt, Helen McMullan and cousins, Janice and Gary Setliff and their son and family, Shannon and Alesa Setliff and children. They honored Aunt Helen with a birthday party on Sunday afternoon in celebration of her 90th birthday at her home at an assisted living place. Norma baked the birthday cake and it was served on party plates with punch. Residents of the assisted living home were guests at the party along with Norma, Janice and Gary, and Shannon and Alesa and children. Norma spent Sunday night with the Setliffs and returned home on Monday.

We extend sincere sympathy to Richard and Teresa Nachtigall and family of Morgan Mill. His mother, Bobbie Nachtigall of Morgan Mill passed away last week. Teresa (Fields) grew up at Kokomo and Richard has visited here many times, beginning when they were in the BSU at Tarleton State University. Teresa's parents were the late Vernon and Deon Fields, and her brother, Joe Fields and his family live in our community.

**RYAN AND KODY DANIELL CELEBRATE BIRTHDAYS**  
Happy Birthday to my great-grandsons, Ryan and Kody Daniell who were 8 years old on January 23rd, 2005, from Grandma Jordan.

Ryan and Kody were honored with a birthday party at their home in Abilene on Saturday, January 22, by their parents, Wade and Sheri Daniell. Football was the theme of the party and Ryan's cake was decorated with the theme of the Texas Longhorns, and Kody's cake was decorated with the theme of the Dallas Cowboys. The cakes were baked by their "Mimi" Glenda Black. Sandwiches, chips, and Root Beer floats were served with the cake.

Games of football and jumping on the Trampoline were enjoyed for a short time, but the cold wind soon sent them inside, and Ryan and Kody enjoyed opening their gifts. Those attending the party were their parents, Wade and Sheri Daniell and their little sister, Emily Daniell, grandparents, Lloyd and Gail Daniell and Glenda Black, and cousin Tanner Daniell and some of their school classmates and friends from the neighborhood. Several of the boys spent Saturday night with Ryan and Kody and enjoyed a pizza supper. Emily spent the night with her grandparents, Glenda and Leon Black. On Sunday evening Wade, Sheri and Emily and Glenda treated Ryan and Kody with a trip to Mr. Gatti's.



JV - Crystal Thackerson takes a jumper as Tecca Jones and Rosa Herrera look on.

## Jr. High Girls Basketball

The tournament took a little extra from the Junior High girls as they found out after playing a dense Eula team. The Lady Cubs were manned with about nine girls, two of which were sick. Eula's team contained a force of approximately twenty-seven. Despite this obvious number advantage and the fact that the Junior High team was weary from extended game play this weekend the Lady Cubs played a little sub-par. "It's hard to come off the best week of the year and go into a game that we could have won and just have none of our guns fire", said Coach Tooley. As the girls seemed to miss all the shots they usually make the wear and tear was evident. Layup after layup and free throw after free throw the girls seemed unable to settle down for longer than a minute or two at a time, but still battled the entire game. Practice this week has included many shooting situations under pressure and fatigue to simulate the game type scenario they will be facing in the next two weeks. The Gorman Lady Cubs have two games left against Cross Plains and Ranger which should demonstrate the effort and pride the girls have worked so hard for.

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<p><b>2004 Chev. Venture Van</b></p>  <p>Stock #5905 <b>\$13,995</b> +TT&amp;L</p>	<p><b>2004 Pontiac Grand Prix</b></p>  <p>Stock #5915 <b>\$12,995</b> +TT&amp;L</p>

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# Gorman Livestock Show Results

## LAMBS

**Light Weight**—1-Marc Gillen, 2-Donail Strawbridge  
**Medium Weight**—1-Marc Gillen, 2-Nathan Ettinger, 3-Nathan Ettinger  
**Heavy Weight**—1-Nathan Ettinger, 2-Nathan Ettinger  
**Champion Medium Wool**—Nathan Ettinger  
**Reserve Champion Medium Wool**—Marc Gillen  
**Southdown**—1-Miles Vann, 2-Miles Vann  
**Grand Champion Lamb**—Nathan Ettinger  
**Reserve Champion Lamb**—Marc Gillen  
**Senior Showmanship**—Daniel Strawbridge  
**Junior Showmanship**—Nathan Ettinger

## MEAT GOATS

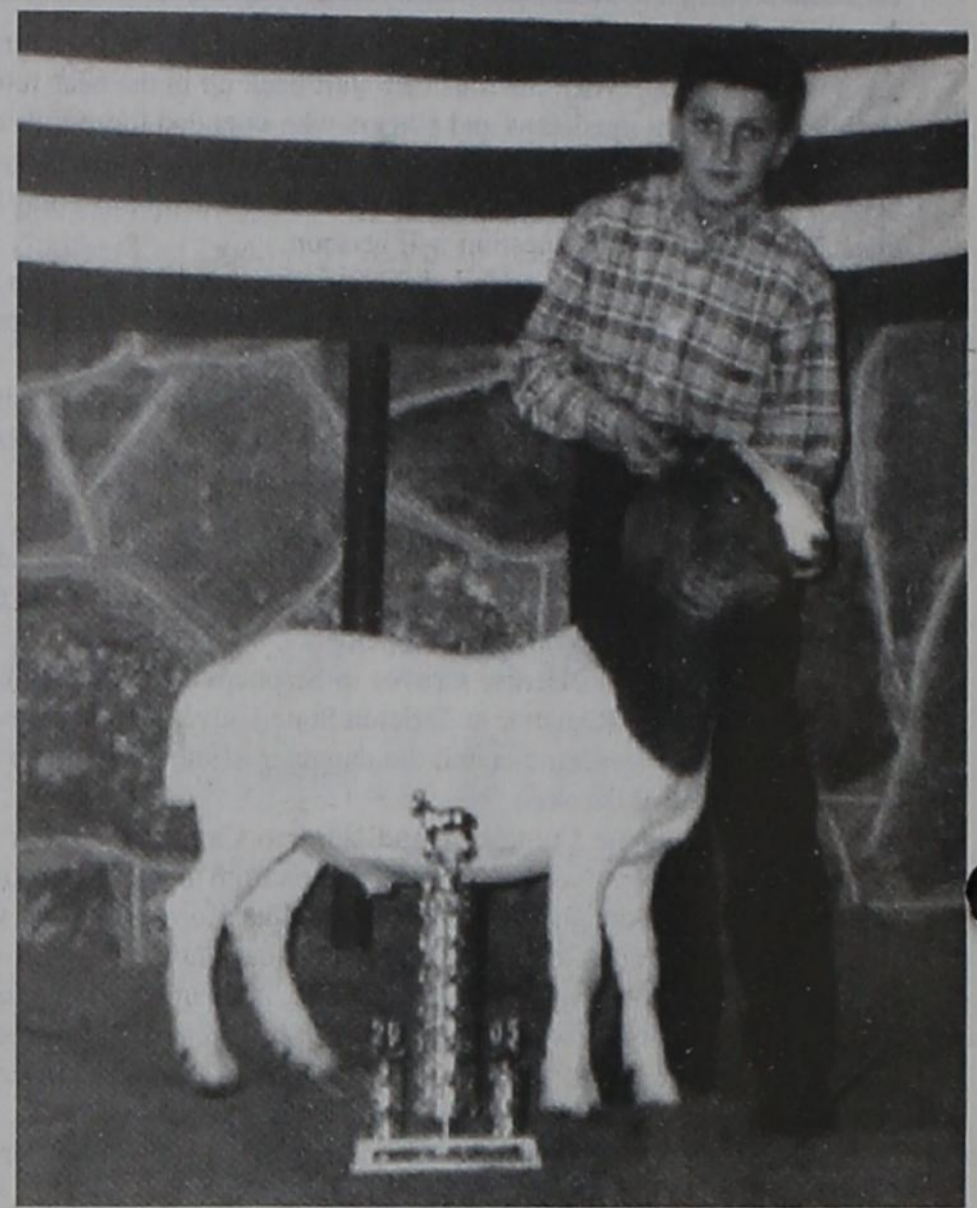
**Light Weight Meat Goats**—1-Audry Johnston, 2-James Brown, 3-Chelsey Griffin, 4-Kinsey Johnston, 5-Cody Self  
**Light Medium Weight**—Amanda Brown, 2-Justin Willey, 3-Doneil Strawbridge, 4-Jonathan Finley, 5-Justin Willey  
**Medium Weight**—1-Nathan Ettinger, 2-Kaci Seaton, 3-Chance Underwood, 4-Madison Warren, 5-Audry Johnston, 6-Kimmy Seaton, 7-Chelsey Griffin  
**Light Heavy Weight**—1-Kaci Seaton, 2-Madison Warren, 3-Ben Burgess, 4-Chance Underwood  
**Heavy Weight**—1-Marc Gillen, 2-Nathan Ettinger, 3-Ben Burgess, 4-Nathan Ettinger, 5-Nathan Ettinger, 6-Marc Gillen  
**Grand Champion Meat Goat**—Kaci Seaton  
**Reserve Grand Champion Meat Goat**—Nathan Ettinger  
**Senior Showmanship**—Amanda Brown  
**Junior Showmanship**—Kimmy Seaton  
**PeeWee Showmanship**—Madison Warren, Bailey Underwood, Keaton Moore

## MARKET HOGS

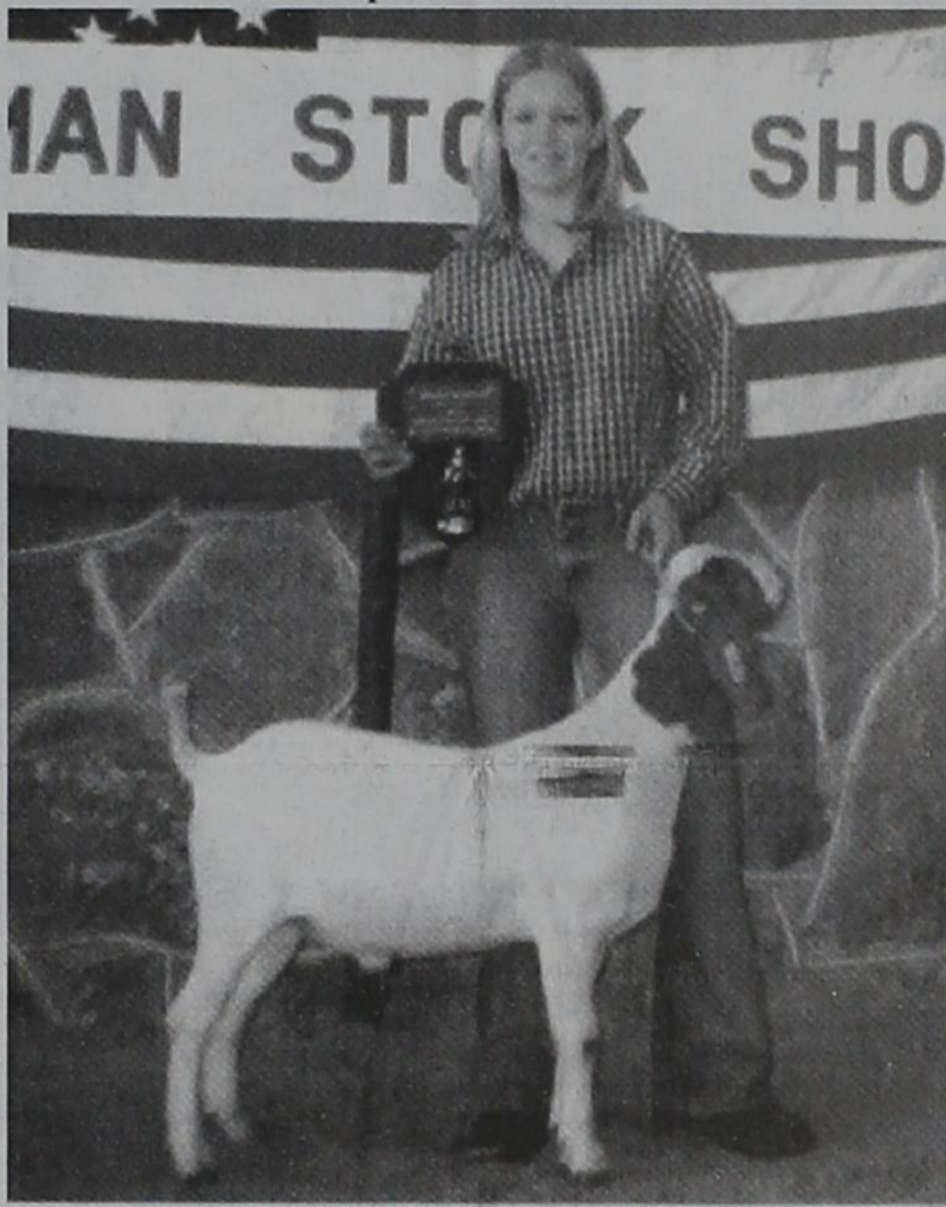
**Berkshire Light Weight**—1-T.J. Trevino, 2-Kimmy Seaton, 3-Randy Woodall, 4-Ally Little, 5-Justin Little, 6-James Brown  
**Berkshire Heavy Weight**—1-Kaci Seaton, 2-Stetson Thompson, 3-Ben Burgess  
**Champion Berkshire**—T.J. Trevino  
**Reserve Champion Berkshire**—Kaci Seaton  
**Duroc Light Weight**—1-Miles Vann, 2-Donail Strawbridge  
**Duroc Heavy Weight**—1-Tyson Swanner, 2-Taylor Chew, 3-Chance Underwood, 4-Jonathan Flores  
**Champion Duroc**—Tyson Swanner  
**Reserve Champion Duroc**—Taylor Chew  
**Hampshire Light Weight**—1-Nathan Ettinger (Keaton Moore), 2-Stetson Thompson, 3-Jonathan Flores, 4-Ben Burgess, 5-T.J. Trevino  
**Hampshire Heavy Weight**—1-Miles Vann, 2-Nathan Ettinger, 3-Tyson Swanner  
**Champion Hampshire**—Miles Vann  
**Reserve Champion Hampshire**—Nathan Ettinger  
**Poland Light Weight**—1-Ally Little, 2-McKenzie Osborne, 3-Kimmy Seaton  
**Poland Heavy Weight**—1-Nathan Ettinger, 2-McKenzie Osborne, 3-Miles Vann, 4-Justin Little  
**Champion Poland**—Nathan Ettinger  
**Reserve Champion Poland**—McKenzie Osborne  
**Spot Light Weight**—1-Justin Little, 2-Leland Rainey, 3-Wade Cariker, 4-McKenzie Osborne, 5-Kaci Seaton, 6-Bailey Underwood  
**Spot Heavy Weight**—1-McKenzie Osborne, 2-Marc Gillen, 3-Amanda Brown, 4-Miles Vann  
**Champion Spot**—McKenzie Osborne  
**Reserve Champion Spot**—Justin Little  
**White OPB**—1-Madison Warren—Champion, 2-Nathan Ettinger—Reserve Champion, 3-Shawn Rainey, 4-Ben Burgess  
**Yorkshire**—1-Miles Vann—Champion, 2-Leland Rainey—Reserve Champion  
**Cross Light Weight**—1-Ally Little, 2-Doneil Strawbridge  
**Cross Heavy Weight**—1-Nathan Ettinger, 2-Marc Gillen, 3-Taylor Chew  
**Champion Cross**—Ally Little  
**Reserve Champion Cross**—Nathan Ettinger  
**Grand Champion Market Hog**—McKenzie Osborne  
**Reserve Grand Champion Market Hog**—Miles Vann  
**Senior Showmanship**—Leland Rainey  
**Junior Showmanship**—Miles Vann  
**PeeWee Showmanship**—Madison Warren



Grand Champion Meat Goat - Kaci Seaton



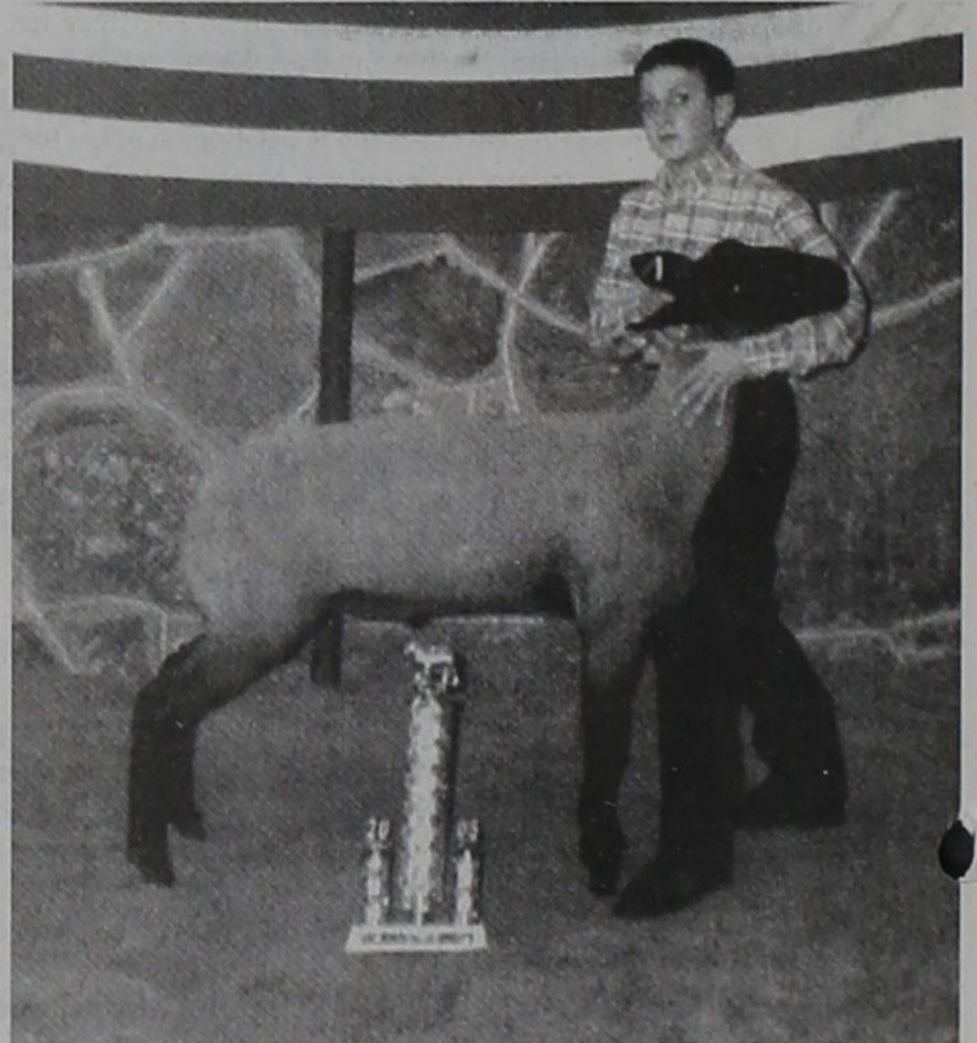
Reserve Grand Champion - Nathan Ettinger



Junior Showmanship - Kimmie Seaton



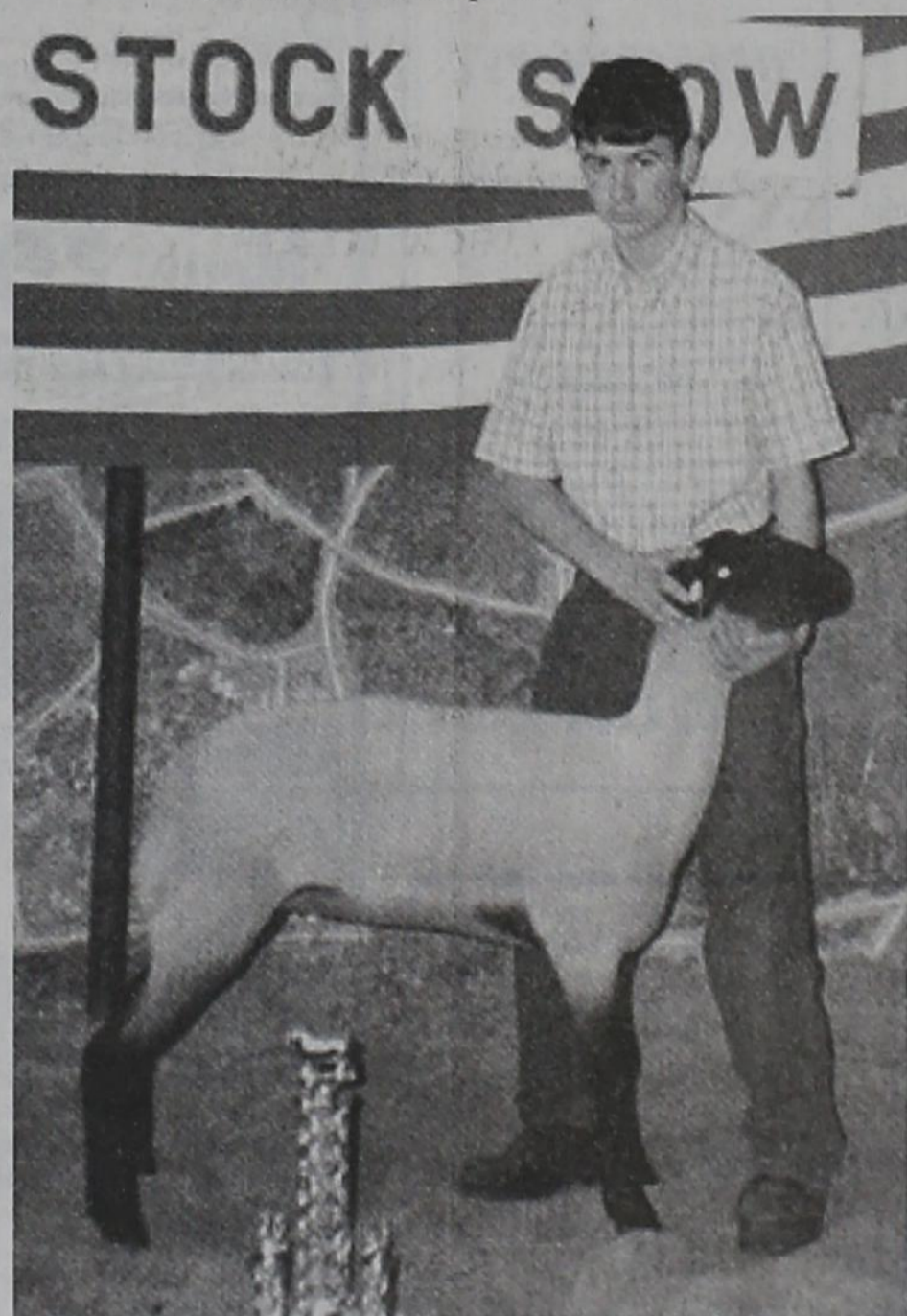
Champion Southdown - Miles Vann



Grand Champion Lamb - Nathan Ettinger



Senior Goat Showmanship - Amanda Brown



Reserve Grand Champion Lamb - Marc Gillen



Senior Showmanship Lamb - Doneil Strawbridge



Junior Lamb Showmanship - Nathan Ettinger



Pee Wee Showmanship



Reserve Champion Spot Justin Little



Reserve Champion Berkshire Kaci Seaton

# Gorman Livestock Show Results



**Champion Hampshire**  
Reserve Grand Champion  
Market Hog  
Junior Hog Showmanship  
Miles Vann



Reserve Champion Hampshire  
Champion Poland  
Reserve Champion Cross  
Nathan Ettinger



**Champion OPB**  
Pee Wee Showmanship  
Madison Warren



Reserve Champion Duroc  
Taylor Chew



**Champion Duroc**  
Tyson Swanner



Senior Showmanship  
Leland Rainey



**Champion Cross**  
Ally Little



Reserve Champion Poland  
Champion Spot  
Grand Champion Market Hog  
McKenzie Osborne

**Champion Berk**  
T. J. Trevino  
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Ryan bench pressing 175lbs.



J.T. pulling up 445lbs to take 3rd place in the 275lbs class.

## Two Gorman Panther Powerlifters At A Recent Lifting Meet

# Your Weight and Fate

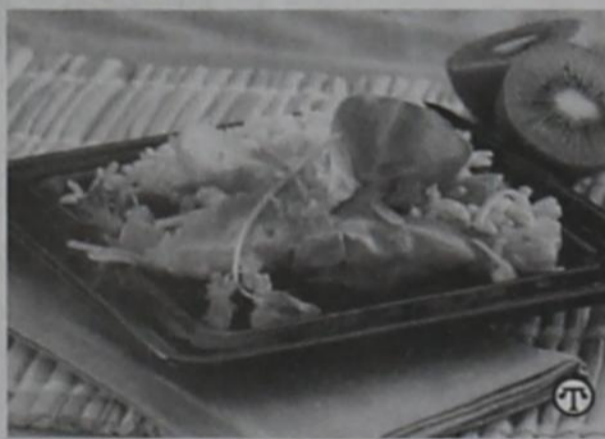
## Resolving To Lose Weight This Year? Go Back To Basics With Good Eating And Exercise Habits

(NAPSA)—Losing weight is the number one New Year's resolution in America and often people turn to fad diets as a quick fix. But fad diets change as often as the seasons, and by spring those resolutions to lose weight are long gone. According to medical experts, there is no quick and easy way to lose weight. The foundation of every successful weight-loss program still remains a healthy diet combined with exercise. Permanent changes in lifestyle and health habits must be made to lose significant weight and then keep it off.

"With the typical New Year's resolutions to lose weight come complex diet plans and fad diets that either restrict certain food groups, cost too much money, or take too much time—causing Americans to quickly lose sight of their good intentions for the New Year," said Timothy Crimmins, M.D., Vice President of Health, Safety, and Environment at General Mills.

Last January, hundreds of employees at General Mills kept their New Year's resolutions to lose weight with a program called "The 10/10 Challenge,"—employees were challenged to lose 10 pounds in 10 weeks by making changes to their eating and exercise habits. Employees shed nearly 3,000 pounds in 10 weeks. The tried and true program, now called "Brand New You" is available for free across the country to help Americans succeed with weight loss resolutions this year.

"Brand New You" is based on the proven formula for losing weight, which is managing calo-



**Spicy Asian Lettuce Wraps is one of the recipes featured in the customized menu plan designed to help you shed 10 pounds in 10 weeks.**

ries in and calories out through balance, moderation and exercise," says Crimmins. "The success our employees had with this program can now be achieved across the country."

The no-cost weight management program, found at [www.brandnewyou.com](http://www.brandnewyou.com), incorporates foods already found in most pantries across the country, as well as foods that can be found in virtually every aisle of the grocery store. It's easy to follow, offers great tasting, convenient foods, and fits into every lifestyle whether consumers are cooking just for themselves or their entire family.

The program provides consumers with ten weeks of customized daily menus developed by dietitians. The heart of the program is a balanced diet that includes grab and go snacks as well as easy, delicious recipes the whole family will enjoy. The site also includes exercise tips, strategies for eating smart, inspirational success stories, healthy liv-

ing tips, and tools for tracking weight loss progress.

Visitors register for the program online and based on their height, weight, age, gender and activity level, the program delivers a customized 10-week meal plan designed to help consumers lose 1 pound per week. The week-by-week printable plan includes nutritional information for all meals and snacks, as well as recipes. Sample meals include Spicy Asian Lettuce Wraps, Ultimate Melt in Your Mouth Pancakes and Grilled Chicken with Scalloped Potatoes.

"The program is designed to last 10 weeks, based on the theory that it takes about eight to 10 weeks for people to make a behavioral change and about six weeks to see the benefits of a fitness regimen," said Crimmins. "A weight loss of one pound per week is a healthy and sustainable rate of weight reduction."

Those having trouble getting motivated can log on to [www.brandnewyou.com](http://www.brandnewyou.com) to read inspirational success stories, like this one from Mark Addicks, Chief Marketing Officer for General Mills:

"The 10/10 Challenge couldn't have come at a better time for me. The program taught me new exercise and eating habits, and as a result, I lost 22 pounds in a little more than two months," says Addicks. "I sustain my weight loss by working out daily and practicing portion control."

The biggest benefit to weight loss? According to Addicks, it is having more energy to play with his five-year-old son, John.

# 100 Days of School Celebration

January 14th marked 100 days of school for students enrolled in Maxfield Elementary. Each year, Mrs. Forbus and Mrs. Grissom and their 2nd grade classes plan a field trip to the American State Bank and Dairy Queen in Gorman to celebrate the day. This year, the students collected 100 pennies from Mom's purse, Dad's pockets and from under couch cushions.

They used their pennies in various math activities throughout the past few days. Next, they rolled the pennies into penny rolls to redeem them at the bank for a fresh, new \$1.00 bill. While at the bank, American State Bank representative Verganna Halbrook gave the students a tour and talked to them about how a bank operates and the importance of saving. The students later visited the Dairy Queen where they traded their newly earned money for an ice cream and coke. Dairy Queen representative Sylvia Alvarez let each student make their own ice cream and then let them have a soda as well in return for their \$1.00.

The students had an exceptionally fun 100th day of school. Special thanks to all that help make it such a success.



# Heritage Manor News

By Nancy Hendricks

### Which is More Important

- Which is more important to you?—Making sure your dog (or cat) gets fed every day, or making sure that your family gets daily spiritual nourishment?
- Which is more important to you?—Watching television or taking time for prayer and Bible study every day?
- Which is more important to you?—Speaking out on current political issues, or speaking out to help someone understand Bible truth?
- Which is more important to you?—The time you spend playing sports, hunting, or fishing, or the time you spend with our family?
- Which is more important to you?—What you think of last Sunday's sermon, or what God thinks of your response to the sermon?
- Which is more important to you?—The condition and appearance of your house, or what goes on inside of your house?
- Which is more important to you?—The number of people who show an interest in you, or the number of people in whom you show an interest?
- Which is more important to you?—The temperature in the church building, or the spiritual temperature of the church which meets in the building?

Some guests were Cecil and Rena Mae Robertson, Bob and Garrett Hagood of Brownwood, Frances Warren, Mary Jeffs, Howard and Pat Hagood, Billie Marble, Donnie and Nelda Maoney, Kay Ann Craddock.

On Sunday morning, those coming from the First Baptist Church for Sunday School were James, Ellen and Rachel Tucker, and Vicki Seay. James taught the lesson, "Protect Human Life." Background passage--Exodus 1:8-21, Jeremiah 19:1-15 and Romans 8:1-11. Key verse Exodus 1:17. A resident gave the opening prayer and another voiced the closing prayer. There were seventeen residents present and guests, Howard and Pat Hagood and Frances Warren.

Some visitors were Lee and Sue Pettigrew of Desdemona, Bill Moll and Maudie Husband, Bobby and Peggy Ingram of Cisco, Diana Snider, Jason Killebrew and Judy Killebrew of DeLeon.

Sunday afternoon those coming from the Bride of Christ Church were Pastor Denver and Alice Rainey, Eldena Bingham, Corene White, Rasha Rainey, Mary Griffith, Shawn Rainey, and Rebecca Rainey. Alice and Mary led the singing. Denver's message was, "The Talents of God." Matthew 25:14-27. There were fourteen residents present. Everyone sang, "Happy Birthday" to a resident celebrating their 90th birthday.

Recently visiting were Rodney and Vicki Roberts of Stephenville, Kennard and Doyle Roberts of Gustine, Winston Brown, Shannon and Trinity Roberts, Levi Roberts, Kendra Roberts, Shaylor Roberts, Bo and Anna Lee Roberts.

Residents were happy for Karen Guthery to come on Monday and opened the beauty shop for hair styling.

Visiting were Bonnie D. Stewart and Jewel Dean Morris of DeLeon, Lendon and Shelly Morgan of Garland, Annie Fay Foster and Eddie Grumbles.

Residents appreciated the good magazines that were donated. Some guests were Clyde and DeSha Johnson of Stephenville, Paul and Pat Johnson of Lubbock, Roy and Charlotte Johnson of Desdemona, Glen and Nancy Lawless of DeLeon.

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

Residents appreciated Rose Hamilton manicuring their nails.

Some guests were Thomas and Vicki Seay, Stanley Porter, Daisy Slaton, James, Ellen and Rachel Tucker, Bill and Tootie Campbell, Denver and Alice Rainey, Mary Griffith, Shawn Rainey and Rasha Rainey.

Residents sent "Heart-felt Sympathy" to the family of Lloyd Glasson. Lloyd came many, many times to entertain and make the residents happy.

### Birthday Party

On Monday, January 17th was the resident January Birthday party. One resident was honored for having a January birthday. The Monday Gospel Singers entertained. Geraldene Wright and Anna Rush made birthday cakes that were served with fruit punch. Gospel songs were sung. The special music was by Woodrow, Helen, Ruby Lee and Billy Joe. Happy birthday to a gentleman 90 years old. Woodrow voiced the dismissal prayer. There were twenty-two residents and guests Ruby Lee Kinser, Woodrow and Helen Browning, Daisy Slaton, Zeldia Jordan, Billy Joe Dennis, Marjorie Treadway, Derenda Menten, Dorethia Etheredge, Ina Smith and Nancy Hendricks.

Recent visitors were Jimmy and Verna Lee Little and Betty Little of Eastland, Zeldia Jordan, Nancy Hendricks, Johnnie B. Griffith, and Nell Files of Carbon.

On Tuesday morning, Ina Smith had 'Work Games' for residents. Some guests were David and Pam Wheat of Possum Kingdom Lake,

Brad, Treva and Jake Keith of Allen, Larry and Colene Barnett of Wylie, Emmitt and Kay Lynn Barnett of Eastland, Rebecca Rainey and Corene White.

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

Visiting were Lendon Shipman, Jarrett Majors, Steve and Derenda Menten, Larry and Jerry Majors of DeLeon, George Rodgers, Sylvia Estes and Marie Cook of Carbon, James and Mary Jesse of Ft. Worth.

On Wednesday morning coming from First Baptist Church were Bro. Bill and Tootie Campbell for chapel. Subject, "God's Remembrance." Bible passage, Matthew 1:21. A resident voiced the closing prayer. There were 9 residents present.

Some guests were Emily Browning of Graham, Winelle Browning, Woodrow and Helen Browning, Marjorie Treadway, Don Landers of Springtown, Dorothy Roberts of Desdemona.

Wednesday afternoon, Judy Killebrew, Jason Killebrew, and Ina Smith had 'crazy bingo' for residents.

Recent visitors were Bonita Richards of Ft. Worth, Max and Janice Grice of Brownfield, Bonnie Croft of Lake Leon, Tisha and Daniel Grice of Stephenville, Glenn Glasson of Brownfield, Irene West, Anna Rush and Geraldene Wright.

On Thursday morning, residents enjoyed 'exercises' with Ina Smith.

Some visitors were Harold and Tody Zink, Dalton and Joy Watson of Ranger, Steve Estes of Sanger, Al and Ernestine Pierce of Clyde, Bobby Tate of Stephenville and Freddie Rodgers.

It was time for 'horse races' on Thursday afternoon with Ina Smith. If your horse won, you got a prize.

Recent visitors were Paul Byrd and Wayne Byrd of Gustine, Dorethia Etheredge Democrat, Debby Armstrong, Sally Hale, Kelly Bond, Betty Martin, Melony Schwartz and Marsha Glasgow of Comanche, Maxine Frasier of DeLeon and Durward Webb.

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### Check Out Your Local Public Library

When Andrew Carnegie embarked on his philanthropic effort to improve the quality of life for all Americans, he did not set up clinics or soup kitchens. He invested in libraries, reasoning that we must feed people's minds as well as their bodies. Since books are the stored knowledge, art, and experience of mankind, libraries are a treasury of humanity. The accumulated wealth of human experience is freely available to anyone, rich or poor, who makes the effort to use these facilities.

Following his philosophy, Carnegie provided grants to various Texas communities which helped construct thirty-two public library buildings in communities ranging in size from the booming city of Dallas to the small mining town of Pittsburg.

Since that time, public libraries have continued as a unique public service institution in our democracy. In Texas alone, we have 560 public libraries. They are free to all citizens, and serve every age group from toddler to senior citizen. They unlock the world for young and old through books, computers, audio-visual resources, and important databases such as TexShare, which is a statewide consortium of academic libraries, public libraries, and libraries of clinical medicine administered by the Texas State Library and Archives Commission. It shares staff expertise and library resources while it pursues joint purchasing agreements for information services to lower costs for its members.

I am a proud ally of our state public library system because I personally gained so much from libraries. As a member of the Senate Appropriations Committee, I supported modernization opportunities for public libraries through the Museum and Library Services Act. This extended authorization of support for library services and technology through FY 2009. These grants help library systems install advanced technology. I also support measures to provide teacher education, library, and media specialist training, as well as preschool and teacher aid certification to individuals so they may better use these advances in the classroom or instructional process.

Public library funding in the United States is a unique combination of local, state, and federal efforts. At the local level, public library service is shaped by the community. Money is allocated by city councils, library districts, or by county commissioners courts. States add supplemental funding designed to foster library cooperation through the sharing of books and materials between libraries.

The federal role is to help extend the access of libraries across the country and the world through unique information technology networks. Through direct grants to state library agencies, federal funds promote, stimulate and support library innovation.

Public libraries form a remarkable cooperative system. If you consider that the average price of a hardback book is approximately \$30, and that Texas public libraries circulate over 90 million items per year, that adds up to more than \$2.7 billion in annual transactions. The value of the knowledge exchanged in the course of those transactions is incalculable.

Texas public libraries also serve as cultural havens for their communities. They are places for children to learn and develop reading skills. From preschool reading activities to grade school, children benefit from use of the local public library. Teen-agers use public libraries to help with school work and enrich their lives. Adults use public libraries to enjoy a good book, get books on tape, or to learn "how to" do any number of things, such as fix their car or succeed in business. Senior citizens are the new pioneers in the preservation of family histories through study of their family heritage. Public library genealogy collections and TexShare databases aid this important effort. Citizens of all age levels also use their libraries as public meeting places to discuss local issues. The public library is an integral part of community life.

Like you, I have used public libraries to enrich my life, to learn, and to succeed in my work. When I was in elementary school, I read every biography in the library. They gave me inspiration which is with me to this day. We can all support our local public libraries in many ways...through volunteering, contributing to their resources, or using the facilities. It is an effort worth making.

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