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New Hope Baptist Church

Calling All Explorers! For Vacation Bible School this year New Hope Baptist Church is visiting the jungle. We want to invite all children ages 3 to sixth grade to come and visit our Jungle Adventure on July 18-22 from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.

We will be discovering God's love through music, crafts, games, bible study, and snacks. Pastor Richard Watson will be teaching an adult class each night as well.

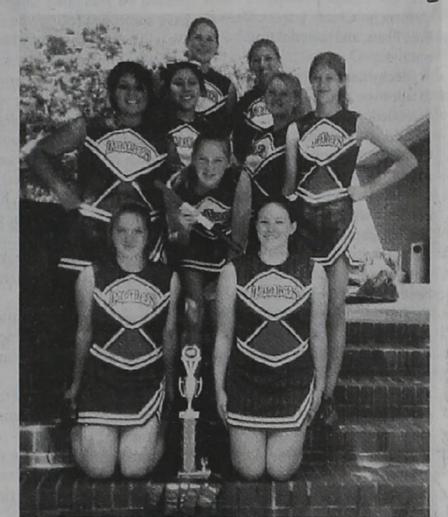
We will begin this adventure with pre-registration at the Gorman Swimming Pool on Saturday, July 16 from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. There will be free swimming, games, and snacks.

All are invited to attend. We hope to see you in the jungle!

Gorman High School Varsity Cheerleaders Attend Cheer Camp

The Gorman High School Cheerleaders consisting of Kendra Swanner, Sharla Perez, Sandra Lara, Rosa Herrera, Brittany Shirley, Megan Lewis, Tecia Jones, Audrey Johnston and mascot Hollyann Wright attended Cheer camp at Tarleton State University from June 27 through June 30 this summer. Brandy Carlton was unable to attend camp due to an injury. She was greatly missed!! The camp was one of the largest camps that had been held at Tarleton this summer. The girls learned many new cheers and chants as well as working on stunts, jumps and dances. A usual day at camp starts at 8:00 a.m. and ends around 9:00 p.m. This year the GHS cheerleaders had great success while at camp.

On the first day of camp the girls are evaluated on a home cheer that they have brought with them. The girls received a Superior ribbon on this cheer which is



the highest squad performance ribbon given at camp. The second day evaluation is on a cheer with a jump and a chant that has been

learned that day at camp, the girls received superior ratings on both the cheer and the chant. The third

day evaluation is a cheer with a

stunt and a different chant from

the previous day. Again, the girls

brought home two blue superior

ribbons. On the final evaluation

on the fourth day we decided to go all out and try a stunt that had been giving us trouble all week.

The girls incorporated into their cheer a one legged liberty stunt

and jumps. And once again the



GHS Cheerleaders shown with their NCA Staff Buddy.

girls performed exceptionally well and brought home the superior ribbons. That made for a total of 7 superior ribbons for the week!! A job very well done.

Besides the evaluation ribbons other honors received at camp included bringing home the spirit stick, an award given for the squad showing exceptional spirit. The GHS cheerleaders earned the spirit stick on their first night at camp and again on the third night. We also earned the Stunt Smart award, an award given to squads showing safety spotting techniques throughout all stunt classes. And the last but certainly not the least award given to the entire squad was winning the CHAMPION CHANT TROPHY. This trophy is given to only one squad in the camp per division and is a great honor to receive. It is given to the team showing the most spirit and crowd involvement along with excellent motions. This award allows the entire squad to be invited to attend and perform at the Orange Bowl in Miami, Florida or the Hula Bowl in Maui, Hawaii. It is a great honor and the girls worked hard to achieve these successes.

Aside from the team awards, all NCA camps also give out individual awards. Throughout the week the girls are judged and evaluated on jumps, motions, dance, stunting and leadership, then they can be nominated for All American cheerleader. Five of the GHS cheerleaders were nominated for this prestigious award, they are Kendra Swanner, Sharla Perez, Rosa Herrera, Megan Lewis and Tecia Jones. Mascot Hollyann Wright was also nominated for her spirit and originality shown in mascot class. When nominated the girls must then go through an All American try-out in front of NCA staff. At this time they are judged on tumbling, spirit, enthusiasm, jumps, sharpness, and voice. To make the All American team the girls must earn 23 points on a 30 point scale. Two cheerleaders and our mascot received this highest individual award given at NCA camps!! They are Kendra Swanner, Sharla Perez and Hollyann Wright. This award assures these girls individually an invitation to the Orange Bowl or the Hula Bowl games. A huge congratulation goes out to these talented cheerleaders!

Congratulations to all the GHS cheerleading team on a great job at camp!!

Attention Kids!

Ready for a COOL time? Looking for FUN?

Come to the COOLEST VBS Day around at:

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Firstfruits Christian Fellowship One-Day only, Saturday, July 23 9:00 am - 1:00 pm Ages: 3 through Sixth Grade Come and Participate in:

- Fun water activities (bring a towel and wear play clothes that can get wet!)
- Music
- Food (Lunch and Snacks)
- Skits and Games
- Bible Stories (Learn how to love Jesus and grow to be like him.)

See you there!

P.S. Parents, you are invited to the hot-dog lunch at 12:00 noon

Athletic Booster Club Election To Host A Jungle Adventure and Parent/Coach Meeting

Dear Parent/Guardian/Community member:

The Gorman Athletic Department would like to invite you to a parent/coach meeting and elections for our athletic booster club on Friday August 12th, 2005 at 7:30 pm in the High School Auditorium. At this meeting we will cover the following topics:

- Athletic Policy (review rules and update you on any changes)
- What expectations we have of you and your children
- Schedules will be available (those that are finalized) Practice times will be explained for JH and HS sports if possible at this time
- Insurance policy will be briefly explained
 - Question and Answer session Formation of the 2005-2006 Athletic Booster Club

The officers of the 2004-2005 Athletic Booster Club did a wonderful job this past year and we

appreciate their efforts a great deal. According to our booster club policy we must hold elections each year for the positions of President, Vice-President, Treasurer, and Secretary. At the end of the meeting we encourage all parents to participate in this process. We may nominate the previous officers or you may nominate new ones. The more participation we have the better it is for our student/athletes.

This meeting is not just for parents, but is open to anyone in the community if you would like to attend. Attendance is very important and a reflection of your support for your children, Gorman JH/ HS student athletes, and our athletic programs.

Thank you, Coby Tyson, Gorman ISD Athletic Director/Head Football Coach

Gorman Junior High and **High School Registration**

Registration for the Jr. High and High School Students has been set for August 8th, 9th and 10th. Seniors will be registering individually on Monday, August 8th. Parents are encouraged to attend registration. Juniors and sophomores will register Tuesday, freshmen, seventh and eighth grade students will register on Wednesday. Please try to make registration if possible. We all look forward to an exciting new

Monday, August 8 —8 a.m. to 3 p.m. —Seniors

Tuesday, August 9-8 a.m. to 12 noon -Juniors

—1:00 p.m. to 3 p.m. —Sophomores Wednesday, Aug. 10-8:00 a.m. to 12 noon-Freshmen -1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. -7th & 8th

Maxfield Elementary Pre-K Registration

If you did not register your child for Pre-K during spring registration, you are welcome to drop by the Elementary Office to pre-register your child. Any child that will turn 4 by September 1 is eligible. Please bring Shot Records, Social Security Card, Birth Certificates, and a copy of student's report card from previous school. We will also need identification of person registering student. Office hours are 8:00 3:00 Monday thru Thursday and 8:00 to Noon on Friday.

Desdemona Community Center Garage Sale

Desdemona Community Center will have a "Garage Sale" on Saturday, July 16 in the school gym. Proceeds will be used for much needed repairs on the building. If you have items to donate, please call 254-758-2665 and leave a message or call 254-734-5880. Hours 8 a.m. until?



Our Family cordially invites you to join us for a 50th Anniversary Reception honoring

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Sunday, July 24, 2005 2:00 - 4:00 p.m. First Baptist Church 218 W. Ross Gorman, Texas 76454

The pleasure of your company is all that is needed.
No Gifts Please

Gorman Grow Meeting Thursday, July 14 7 p.m.

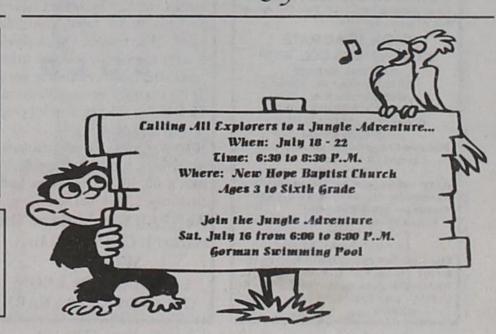
Community Center

In Next Weeks Issue of the Gorman Progress We Will Have The New Schedules For Gorman Varsity Football and Gorman Jr. High Football

Seniors attending Cheer Camp were

Kendra Swanner, Sandra Lara, Sharla

Perez and Hollyann Wright.



Commission Minutes Gorman

June 16, 2005

Mayor Pro Tem Nathan Files, Com- ried 4-0. missioners Joe Casey, Charlie Vaughn and Doug Caffey.

Nathan led the opening prayer

giance and the Texas Pledge.

to order @ 5:38 p.m. Joe made the motion to approve the minutes as read. Nathan made William (Bill) Barrantine @ \$8.00 In Put. a second. Motion carried 3-0.

made a second. Motion carried 4- ding for the summer. 0.

nate in Grapevine; make stops in p.m. Dublin, DeLeon, and Gorman. Activities are being planned for the day. Tickets will be sold. All costs are unsure at this point. Sponsorship is in the process of being obtained. More details will be at a later date.

with the Commission.

#2003-04 amendment replacement riving.* was read at this time.

The Gorman City Commission read. Charlie made the motion to and the Texas Pledge. met on the above date. Those adopt Texas Yes resolution with a present were Mayor Robert Ervin, second from Nathan. Motion car- to order @ 5:37 p.m.

At 6:20 p.m. Joe made the mo-Torrez, and arriving late Tony tion with a second from Tony to go a second. Motion carried 3-0. Carter. Others present were Cliffa into Executive Session. Motion carried 4-0.

followed by the Pledge of Alle- motion to go out of Executive Session and enter back into Regular Mayor Ervin called the meeting open session. Charlie made a second. Motion carried 4-0.

Nathan made the motion to hire per hour, to work one day a week. Charlie made the motion to ap- Joe made a second. Motion carried prove the bills for payment. Tony 4-0. Bill will be moving and shred-

There being no further business Cliffa Vaughn gave a report on for discussion Joe made the motion the train ride planned for October to adjourn with a second from Tony. 15, 2005. The train ride will origi- Motion carried 4-0. Time was 6:55

July 7, 2005

The Gorman City Commission met on the above date. Those present were Mayor Robert Ervin, Mayor Pro Tem Nathan Files, Com-Doug briefly discussed vehicles Torrez, and Tony Carter. Others brought in the future. Rent prop-The first reading of Ordinance John Longoria. *Tony was late ar-

Joe led the opening prayer fol-

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Gorman

The Texas Yes! Resolution was lowed by the Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Ervin called the meeting

the minutes as read. Charlie made Motion carried.

the bills except for the USA At 6:47 p.m. Nathan made to Bluebook invoice. Tacy is to check with Cary or Glenn to find out exactly what this invoice is for.

> Charlie made a second. Motion carried 4-0.

Jalynn Cox was not present.

Reports were submitted by department heads. Commission reviewed reports.

On New and Old Business Tony made the motion to raise the water deposit from \$75.00 to \$100.00 and increase re-connect fees from \$25,00 to \$50.00. Nathan made a second and the motion carried. This will go into effect immediately. It has been a continual rise in residents having water service disconnected and taking it upon themselves to turn it back on. Theft of Service missioners Joe Casey, Charlie charges will be enforced and present were Cliffa Vaughn and erty especially causes high cost in service. Renters move with no notice and the deposit will not cover

all of the charges incurred.

Nathan made the motion to pay John Longoria for his five (5) annual leave days in lieu of taking off. This will help on overtime and shift Joe made the motion to approve coverage. Joe made a second.

Second reading of Ordinance Nathan made a motion to pay all #2003-04 Replacement / Amended August 3rd was read. Nathan made the motion to adopt said ordinance with a sec- August 4th ond from Charlie. Motion carried

Joe made a motion to amend the EDC budget payroll figure by No citizens present for Citizens \$511.75. Nathan made a second. Motion carried 4-0.

> There being no further business for discussion Nathan made the mo- August 9th tion to adjourn with a second from August 10th -Charlie. Motion carried 4-0. Time was 6:40 p.m.

Gorman Grow Minutes For

April meeting approved as read.

The Financial Report was given by Mike Brudnak-Balance of \$5274.97, Bills pending--2 from Comanche Chief, 1 from Deleon Free Press, and material from bathroom doors.

Becky Laminack made a motion to approve report, Curly Lipson seconded, motion carried.

Old Business: Basketball Court--bathrooms are under construction, materials for doors and roof have been purchased; fencing materials will be purchased; project nearing completion. Frank Gray Park-Birdsong has painted the flag pole, see-saws and swings have been repaired. Flea Market--City Commission has approved and given their support. By-Laws--Changes were discussed and approved. Mike made a motion to accept the by-laws, seconded by Curly, motion carried. Railroad excursions--Cliffa Vaughn is working with the railroad on possible

Governors Office, we need repreof Desdemona, Hwy 16--cross cattle sentatives to attend. Future projects project at June meeting.

Becky seconded, motion carried.

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May Meeting

Meeting called to order at 7:30 by John Keeping. Minutes from the

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Desdemona Community Center

Garage Sale

Saturday, July 16th

School Gym

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Dale Barker.

New Business: help with the Lion's Club Bike Ride by selling grilled burgers. Mike made a motion to sell burgers and Curly seconded, motion carried. May 19 open meeting of EDC at 7:30. Meeting to discuss new direction for Gorman, meeting will be conducted by representatives from to consider--will discuss next

Curly made a motion to adjourn,

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Tentative Two-A-Day Practice For Football

August 1st First day of 2-a-days Report at 7:30 am sharp First workout- 7:30 am - 10:30 am

Second workout- 5:30 pm - 8:30 pm August 2nd -First workout- 7:30 am - 10:30 am Second workout- 5:30 pm - 8:30 pm

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Second workout- 5:30 pm - 8:30 pm August 5th -First workout- 7:30 am - 10:30 am Second workout- 5:30 pm - 8:30 pm

August 6th -First workout- 7:30 am - 10:30 am Second workout- 10:30 am - 12:00 pm (pool) August 8th -First workout- 7:30 am - 10:30 am Second workout- 5:30 pm - 8:30 pm

First workout- 7:30 am - 10:30 am Second workout- 4:00 pm - 6:30 pm August 11th -First workout- 7:30 am - 10:30 am Second workout- 5:30 pm - 8:30 pm

One workout only 4:30 pm - 9:30 pm

One workout 4:00 pm - 7:00 pm August 12th -August 13th -Scrimmage vs Eden There at 10:00 am (we will leave

around 6:45 am) August 15th -4:00 pm - 8:30 pm August 16th -4:30 pm - 8:30 pm August 17th -4:00 pm - 6:30 pm

August 18th -4:30 pm - 8:00 pm August 19th -Scrimmage vs Muenster Sacred Heart at Ft. Worth Nolan 7:00pm

*Because of the length of practices during two-a-days, missing one practice session will result in 200 belly flops.

*It is important to understand that during two-a-days some groups may be required to come early before a session or stay after a morning session for film/chalk talk/or extra training for a specific skill. If you have someone picking you up you need to compensate for these times. We will notify players of who and what times we expect to do those things.

*Note to parents/athletes: Each two-a-days heat exhaustion and dehydration are major concerns. The main deterrent to these problems is not frequent breaks during workouts (although it is important and a part of all our workout schedules), it actually is the fluid intake before and after our workouts. It is our recommendation that each athlete drink a minimum of 10 to 12 glasses (8oz) of water per day. Sports drinks (not sodas are carbonated drinks) are good to drink and can be substituted for half of the glasses of water, but water intake if vital. ALSO: If your child has not been working out or worked physically in the heat during the past several weeks, it will be a much harder adjustment for them and increases the importance of fluid intake.

*August 22nd -School starts. Workouts will be after school until around

Please remember that after 6:15 pm many of you will be doing your extras, so if you are having someone pick you up you might need to adjust the time you tell them to pick you up.

Other important dates: August 26th (First game of the year vs Hermleigh at 7:30 here) September 2nd (Second game vs Santo at 7:30 here)

September 5th (Labor Day –workout will be at 3:00pm) September 9th (Third game vs Covington at 7:30 there) September 16th (fourth game vs Perrin-Whitt at 7:30 there)

September 23rd (open Friday- Goldthwaite vs DeLeon at 7:30 in Goldthwaite) September 30th (fifth game vs DeLeon at 7:30 there) October 7th (First District game vs Evant at 7:30 here for Homecoming) October 14th (Second District game vs Cross Plains at 7:30 here) October 21st (Third District game vs Baird at 7:30 there)

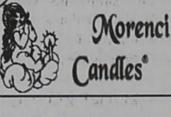
October 28th (Fourth District game vs Ranger at 7:30 here/Senior Night) November 4th (Last District game vs Goldthwaite at 7:30 there) November 11th/12th (Bi-District round of the Class A State Play-offs) November 18th/19th (Area round of the play-offs) November 25th/26th (Regional round of the play-offs) December 2nd/3rd (Quarterfinal round of the play-offs) December 9th/10th (Semi-Final round of the play-offs)

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December 15th/16th (State Championship Game for Class A)

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Lori Dodd.

Agenda items addressed as follows:

(Minutes were read by Judy Warren. Motion to approve by Cliffa Vaughn, second by Joe Casey. Motion carried 4-0

Bills were reviewed and approved for payment. Motion to approve by Becky Laminack, second by Cliffa Vaughn. Motion carried 4-0

Lori Dodd gave an update on the Solid Waste Technical Study being conducted in Gorman and Eastland County. The first draft has been received and will be reviewed by representatives throughout the county. There will be a conference call the end of June to discuss everyone's input

 There was general discussion regarding the Vision Statement meetings in the community. No action taken.

(Gorman EDC was approached about participating in a regional travel brochure with Dublin, DeLeon, and Hico. It would be submitted to the Texas Dept. of Agriculture as a Texas Yes! Grant. Mac McKinnion in Dublin would be doing all printing and production of the travel brochure. A motion to request the City Commissioners to accept a Resolution to apply for the grant was made by Joe Casey, second by Cliffa Vaughn. Motion carried 4-0

There was general discussion regarding possible EDC Board
positions becoming expired in the next few months. Three terms expire
in August 2005. No action taken.

General discussion about funding the EDC Director salary, beginning July 1. City Commission voted to stop funding 2/3 of the salary the City currently remits. No action taken.

New business: Cliffa will attend the TMCN meeting on Thursday June 9 in Abilene.

With no further business, President Warren entertained a motion to adjourn at 8:45 pm. Motion by Cliffa Vaughn, second by Becky Laminack. Motion carried 4-0.

Minutes submitted by Judy Warren.

Kokomo News

By Zelda Jordan

The hot, dry summer is here. If we could get just a little bit of the rain that Florida and Alabama and several other states are getting we would be very thankful. And I'm sure those people would gladly share with us.

"I'll Rise Again" was the special music presented by Daryl Hirst at the Kokomo Baptist Church on Sunday morning. Frank Shirley of Gorman, Karen Patterson of Eastland and Bailey Underwood of Gorman were visitors. "Happy Birthday" was sung to Bailey, and Daryl and Cecilia Hirst were wished a "Happy Anniversary". Bro.Clarence Wilson's message was on "Time". There is a time and a season for everything. Jesus taught the deciples to go out and teach others what He had taught them. We too should take time to share Jesus with others.

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

Recently LaVon Snider enjoyed attending birthday parties for Scott Collum in Huckabay and Rachel Snider in Gorman. LaVon says "What fun kids!"

Gary and Emily Browning of Graham visited with Woodrow and Helen Browning.

Karen Patterson of Eastland, and her granddaughters, Laura and Rebecah Mullen of Aspermont visited recently with Betty Little. Karen, Laura, Rebecah, Ashley and Breckley Little visited in Arlington with Nelda Fails and Karen and Nelda took the girls to the Omni Theater and Six Flags for a real good time.

Doug and Carole Little of Midland, Joe Little of Las Cruces, NM and David Little of Denver CO and Karen Patterson visited recently with Betty Little. Joe and David also visited with Charles and Carolyn Little.

Shannon, Stephanie, Raegan and Sydnie Bond of Copperas Cove visited during the weekend with Joe and Glynda Bond and they all attended the Family Reunion of the descendants of James Bascom and Minnie Morton at the Regency Inn and Suites in Abilene on Saturday.

Oren and Norma Webb visited in Sweetwater with Gary and Janet Setliff.

Cassie Brasher of Carbon, Jimmy Nelson of Carbon, Pat Reneau and Trisha Rose of Ranger and Zelda Jordan enjoyed dinner at ZJ's in Gorman on Thursday night, July 7 in celebration of Cassie's and Pat's birthdays.

Ashley and Breckley Little spent Friday night with their grandparents, Jimmy and Verna Lee Little. Nelda and Jarad Fails of Arlington visited on Saturday and Sunday with Jimmy and Verna Lee. On Saturday afternoon they visited in Eastland with Ray Neal and Melissa Little and with Emily Little and Kourtney of Abilene who were visiting there.

We extend sincere sympathy to Truett Guy, and his family, of Okla-

homa City at the death of his wife, Toby, last week. Truett was a member of the 1945 class of Carbon High School and lived near the Kokomo Community. Toby (Gilbert) was a member of the 1948 class of Carbon High School. They weren't able to attend the class reunions the past two years due to Toby's illness.

We extend get well wishes and our prayers to Mary Margaret Hudson who recently underwent surgery.

Those visiting with Nancy Hendricks were Doris Bradshaw of Gorman, Sylvia Buchanan, Norma Webb, Johnnie B. Griffith and Zelda Jor-

Zane Mauney of Santo and Justin Little are visiting this week with their grandparents, Charles and Carolyn Little. Zane will also visit with his other grandparents, Donnie and Nelda Mauney in Gorman. Zane's parents, Scotty and Caye Mauney are in Midland this week attending a County Agricultural Agent Convention.

Ally Little is attending church camp this week at the Big Country Baptist Camp at Lueders.

ZANE MAUNEY CELEBRATES BIRTHDAY

Zane Mauney of Santo was honored with a party in celebration of his 10th birthday on Monday night, July 11th at the Little cabin at Lake Leon. Those attending and enjoying the hot dog supper, birthday cake and homemade ice cream with Zane were Charles and Carolyn Little, Donnie and Nelda Mauney, Betty Little, Karen Patterson, Jimmy and Verna Lee Little, Alan, Shellie and Justin Little, James, Jill, Ashley and Breckley Little and Danny and Charla Burgess. Danny was also celebrating his birthday. One of the big events of the evening was the beautiful fireworks display that they all enjoyed so much.

"Happy Birthday" to my granddaughter, Kayla Jordan, of Lubbock on her 15th birthday on Sunday, July 17th, from Grandma Jordan. Kayla is visiting this week with cousins, Joe, Viki and Justin Miles in Austin.

Cisco man Convicted of Driving While Intoxicated

Last Tuesday, a petit jury in the County Court of Eastland was seated to hear testimony in the trial of Michael John Eccleston, of Cisco. Eccleston was initially stopped for speeding by a Texas Department of Public Safety Trooper on Highway 183 north of the Cisco city limits. The defendant chose to change his plea from not guilty to guilty after the evidence began. Attorney Gary D. Peak represented Eccleston at trial. Because Eccleston was probation elgible, punishment was set at 120 days in the Eastland County Jail, suspended and probated for a period of fourteen months. A fine of \$500 was assessed in addition to costs of court.

Updates On Some Of The Exchange Students

Several have asked about the exchange students that we have had in the past and what they are doing now. We have heard from several of them recently and thought you might be interested in what they are doing now.

Moritz Niehaus, who graduated 2 years ago, went back and finished his other two years of high school in July. He then took a short holiday. He was proud that he had the top GPA in his class of over 100. He emails Berenike Thomalla, who also graduated and is on a holiday.

I hear real often from Adrian Sichau, who graduated in 2001. He went back and finished his high school there and enrolled in the University of Damstadt. That university is in his home town. It specialized in math and physics, and you know he is good at that. I talked to him recently and his school semester is still going on, will be out about the middle of August. He is doing a lot of studying and in his second year. He won another scholarship paying all his school expenses and also pays his living expenses. He said the weather there was hot 95 degrees—which they are not accustom to. He sends greetings to all friends here.

Another student we recently heard from was Hauke Hinsch. He went back and finished his two years and then went into the military for a year. After that he started to University in Berlin, studying chemistry and biology. He is going to go into medical research. He recently got to make a dream trip to China, Tibet, India and take the overland rail trip through Russia back to Germany. He had to take a crash course in Chinese in order to do this trip. He said it was great.

I hear from Michael Uebersax about every month or so. When I talked to him in January he had just finished his masters Degree at the University of Zurich. Said he was finished school—then several months later he called and said he was going to do his PhD. It will take him three years for that, but decided that was the thing to do. His field is Theology. For this he had to take Greek, Hebrew, Latin and he also speaks French, as he studied in France for several semesters. While he is going to school, he also works for a French Airline there in Zurich. Working there he gets to travel a good bit. Not too long ago he and a friend visited Kuala Lumpur in Malaysia.

A lot of you remember Richard Svarovsky. Richard graduated here in 1999. He got a basketball scholarship to University of Arts and Sciences in Chickashaw, Oklahoma. He played on the basketball team that won the National Championship that year in Div. I also they were runner up the next year. He graduated there in Economics then went home to Prague, Czech Rep. for a while. However, if he stayed there he would have to go to the army, so he decided on more school in Australia. He is in Sydney studying computer graphics and economics. He has two part-time jobs and is playing on two basketball teams. One team if for "fun" he says and the other is a semi-pro team and says they are doing well. Richard has heard from Dan, a German student that was here the same year. Dan finished school, and studied law and is now an apprentice in a law firm with his father. He is planning to get married next summer, wants Richard to come to the wedding.

Most of the others we hears from around Christmas. All remember the great times they had here: football games, basketball games, friends and all the great people in this small west Texas town.

EDC TALK

I recently attended the 5th Annual Tourism Roundup sponsored by the Texas Forts Trail and Texas Midwest Community Network. There were many excellent topics to listen and learn from but the following information I found to be extremely interesting, and worth sharing.

The morning presentation was opened with a quote from John Dooley "A carload of visitors is worth more than a bale of cotton and a whole lot easier to pick." Maybe we could change that to peanuts or hay, but you get the idea. During the summer months, there will be many travelers on Highway 6. TXDoT tells us that 61% of the summer traffic will travel less than 200 miles. And with gasoline prices going through the roof, that mileage can become our friend. These people want to get out and take a day trip somewhere...all of them with a destination point in their mind. What can Gorman do to make our community a destination point? And maybe if we aren't the final stopping place...what can we do to make them stop here passing through?

Consultant Penny Reeh (Fredericksburg) discussed how Rural Tourism must be home grown. Yes, there are good ideas that can be copied, but it is the responsibility of each rural community to decide what is already yours. What is already in place that makes you unique? Resources are too tight to spend your time and effort trying to duplicate what another community has done. Chances are if the traveler can get there in a day, they will pick the established one, instead of seeing whether or not yours is as good as theirs. You have to find what is unique in your own community and build on that. Not finding anything? Look and look some more...because everyone, every town has that special something that be turned into a great attraction.

Her second point was "It's all about the experience." Although most times we think of this comment as a festival, trip/excursion package, etc. it can be made much simpler. Whether it's stopping at a gas station, restaurant, or a local business, it's all about the experience that customer/traveler encounters. They may be traveling through, but if they see an appealing storefront, nice clean parking area, interesting windows, signage, etc. they will be willing to stop or at least take note on the way back home to stop.

I think these are excellent things to think about and I think Gorman businesses have done a fine job with attractive store front areas and all the above mentioned things. But we all need to occasionally look around to make sure that the familiar sight of something unsightly has not escaped us. This is a great tip that doesn't cost any of us anything!

More tips on community development and rural tourism next week.

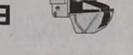
Jury Convicts Man of Driving While Intoxicated

Last Wednesday, a petit jury in the County Court of Eastland found John Lavert Johnson, 45, of Abilene, guilty of Driving While Intoxicated after deliberating for approximately twenty minutes. Johnson was initially stopped for speeding by a Texas Department of Public Safety Trooper on Interstate 20. Attorney Landon Thompson represented Johnson at trial. Johnson chose to have his punishment set by the jury who assessed one hundred eighty (180) days confinement in the Eastland County Jail and a fine in the amount of \$2,000.00 – the maximum allowed by law.

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s/Linda Stephens

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Jacquelynn Schuman Graduates From ACC In Abilene



Jacquelynn Schuman recently graduated from Abilene Commercial College in Abilene on May 25, 2005 with a Medical Assisting Degree.

Jacquelynn is the daughter of James and Joetta Schuman of Eastland and the granddaughter of Joe Bennett of Gorman.

Miss Snoddy's Harmonica Band Plays On

The following article was received from Joe B. Swan (formally of Gorman), Emeritus Professor, Journalism, San Jose State University.

Christmas 1937 was a special musical treat for Miss Snoddy's thirdgrade grade class at Gorman's newly-built elementary school. She had required every student in class to have an imported German M. Hohner key of "C" harmonica, and our entire class became a harmonica band.

This harmonica cost each student 50 cents—a half day's Depression era wages for many men still working for "a dollar a day with the WPA." Some of us played in the band with cheaper American 25-cent harmonicas.

Nonetheless, by Christmas Miss Snoddy had us playing a number of simple songs in the classroom. During the all-school nighttime Christmas program, attended by parents, friends and relatives, we performed amazingly well our rendition of "Silent Night."

This began a lifetime appreciation of music for me. On that cheap two-bit harmonica I learned to play, by ear, just about any tune that I could hum. I have never learned to read musical notes, but I have been able to transfer that learning to play by ear to a number of other musical instruments.

My grandson, Scot, who has lived with me since age 2, grew up in a household full of my musical instruments. He enjoys playing many of them—guitar, mandolin, ukulele, piano, dulcimer, and others.

He has not been attracted to the harmonica or playing music "by ear."
He learned to read music in school years ago. He is a junior music major at San Jose State University where I taught journalism and press photography for 30 years.

He plays tube in the university's marching band and wind ensemble, and he has sung bass in the Choraliers. Before college he played in the wind ensemble at his high school, and they competed and won the gold at Carnegie Hall in New York City.

This helped earn him a full music scholarship at the university. He has a part-time job in a music store and he teaches music to children at a local pre-school. My grandson's career goal is to become a music professor. He is well on his way, I think.

At age 76, I like to think my influence on my grandson's musical interest all got started in Miss Snoddy's harmonica band many years ago in Gorman. My love for music started in her class.

William Shakespeare said it best centuries ago: "If music be the food



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Heritage Manor News

THE GORMAN PROGRESS

By Nancy Hendricks

p.m. Three residents will be honored for having July birthday. Everyone Ruby Lee Kinser. is welcome to attend.

Some guests were Kenneth and Voncia Snider of Rosebud, Arkansas, the electric keyboard and led singing for a large group of residents. Maudie Husband and Bill Moll of Cisco, Sue Pettigrew of Desdemona, Diana Snider, Larry and DeLinda Snider.

On Friday, July 1 was observed as 4th of July "Fun Day." Beginning with Pat Graham, Billie Marble, Jason Killebrew, Judy Killbrew and Ina Smith having Red, White and Blue bingo. Treats were July 4th red, white, and blue miniature cakes. Twelve residents were present. Then everying. one joined in and had a parade. Everything was decorated with flags and red, white, and blue balloons. Residents were allowed to pop balloons (their fireworks). Then games and a picnic lunch at noon. At 2 p.m. was Emmitt and Kay Lynn Lasater of Eastland, Jerry and Virginia Skaggs and snow cone' time for everyone. What a fund day for everyone!

Some guests were James and Beverly Morris of Levelland, Pam Hulse of Hobbs, NM, Helen Browning, freddie Rodgers of Desdemona, Irene lobby West, James, Ellen and Rachel Tucker, Glen and Shirley Clement of Lake Leon, Winelle Browning, Ann Maxfield.

Sunday School were James Miears, James, Ellen and Rachel Tucker, Frances Warren and Nelda Mauney. James Miears taught the lesson, "Living Free." Life question, 'what does my freedom in Christ mean?' Bible passage 1 Corinthians 8:9-13, 9:19-27. the key verse, 1 Corinthians 8:9. James Tucker voiced the dismissal prayer. Nine residents and two guests, Howard and Pat Hagood, were present.

Some visitors were Edna and Dillon Jones of Denison, Joey Beaty of Dallas, June Carruth and Susan Carruth of DeLeon.

On Sunday afternoon, those coming from the First Baptist Church were Rev. Johnny Singleton, Allen and Linda Gibbs, Ed and Ruthie Rodgers, Louise Hall, Ann Maxfield, Nelda Mauney, Billie Bennett and Ruthie Porter. Bro. Singleton led the singing and brought the message, "Our Day of Liberty." Scripture 1 Corinthians 8:9. Allen gave the dismissal prayer. Thirteen residents and one guest, Nancy Hendricks, were present.

Bennett, Louise Hall, John and Georgia Lee Hopper of Georgetown.

Residents were happy for Karen Guthery to come open the beauty shop and dress hair for July 4th.

Recent visitors were Ruthie Quam, Mozelle Boucher of Stephenville, Kelly Johnson of Seminole, Cecil and Rena Mae Robertson of Brownwood, Mary Jeffs, Billie Marble, Donnie and Nelda Mauney, Nancy Hendricks, Howard and Pat Hagood, Frances Warren, and Ann Maxfield. Residents send "get well wishes" to Annie Fay Foster.

Some visitors were Jewel Dean Morris and Bonnie D. Stewart of

DeLeon, Lendon and Shelly Morgan and sons of Garland, and Edith

On Tuesday morning, Billie Marble, Jason Killebrew and Judy Killebrew came and had regular bingo for seven residents.

Recent guests were Tisha and Daniel Grice of Stephenville, Max and Attn: The July resident Birthday Party will be Friday, July 22nd at 2 Janice Grice of Brownfield and Bonnie Croft of Lake Leon, James and

On Tuesday afternoon, Betty Duke of Desdemona came and played

of Eastland, Allen and Linda Gibbs, Ed and Ruthie Rodgers. On Wednesday morning, Bro. Larry Stogsdill of the Church of Christ

came and brought chapel. Message, "Traditions of Jesus's Time." Bible passage from Matthew Chapter 15. There were thirteen residents attend-

and Jake Keith of Allen, David and Pam Wheat of Possum Kingdom, Larry Stogsdill.

Wednesday morning residents enjoyed a western movie in the north get back home.

Zink of Gorman, Clyde and DeSha Johnson of Stephenville, Roy and On Sunday morning, those coming from the First Baptist Church for Charlotte Johnson of Desdemona, Paul and Pat Johnson of Lubbock, Jerry Majors of DeLeon and Don Landers of Springtown.

> Those coming on Wednesday afternoon to help with 'crazy bingo' were Billie Marble, Judy Killebrew, and Ina Smith. There were nine residents enjoying the game.

Recent visitors were Judy Killebrew, Jason Killebrew, Jeff Killebrew, Darrell and Pat Graham.

Residents send heart felt sympathy to the family of Jr. Dawkins. Some guests were Kay Ann Craddock, Susan Lipson, Beth Shirley, Wilbur Overstreet, Bro. Victor and Karen Pena, Shirley Good, Mary Margaret Hudson, Tommy Clark, Kathy Webb of Ranger, Carol Ward, Bennie and Carol Matthews, Elnora Lindley.

On Thursday morning residents enjoyed games of dominoes.

Recent guests were Dorothy Roberts of Desdemona, Kennard and Doylena Roberts of Gustine, Winston Brown, Vickie and Rodney Roberts, Joan Butler, Shannon and Trinity Roberts, Kendra and Maddox Rob-Some guests were Thomas and Vicki Seay, Ruthie Porter, Billie erts, Shaylor Roberts, Bo and Anna Lee Roberts and Levi Roberts.

Thursday afternoon with hot temperature was sure a good time to have Killebrew and Ina Smith had bingo for nine residents. homemade ice cream. Residents gathered round the tables and had 'shake and make' with Ina Smith.

Desdemona News

By Vonnie Guthery

Desdemona Homecoming and School Reunion will be held on Saturday, August 13th at the Community Center (former school building). Program to begin at 10:00 a.m. Noon meal will be catered. Contact your former classmates and make plans to attend.

Bernard Keith spent last Wednesday in the Abilene Hendrick Hospital Some visitors were Nell Files of Carbon, Jimmy and Verna Lee Little having some tests on his heart. Vicki Robinett of DeLeon; Bro. David Locke of Highland Baptist Church; Raymond and Vivian Hart of Ranger; Pug and Vonnie Guthery of Desdemona were in Abilene with Bernard and Ann while these tests were being done. He received a good report,

Dorothy Roberts was in Granbury last Saturday evening to attend a birthday party for her great grandson, Sam, son of Shelly Horan. Sam Some guests were Larry and Colene Barnett of Wylie, Brad, Treva celebrated his second birthday with a big cake and ice cream. Several family members and friends attended.

Robert and Ima Brown was in Nacogdoches over the past weekend to attend a wedding of a relative. They enjoyed the trip but always glad to

Desdemona Community Center will have a "Garage Sale" on Satur-Visiting were Dalton and Joy Watson of Ranger, Harold and Tody day, July 16 in the school gym. Proceeds will be used for much needed repairs on the building. If you have items to donate, please call 254-758-2665 and leave a message or call 254-734-5880. Thanks. Hours 8 a.m.

> Dixie Pack enjoys a trip to Abilene each week to visit with her friends, Velda, Edith and Pauline. They play cards, dominoes, go shopping and have lunch together.

> Kandice Cogburn and son, Dylan, visited last Friday in Millsap with her Dad, Eddie and Donna Martin and daughter, Dorcy.

> Nikki Febinger and children, Christopher and Allison of Stephenvill Roy Lemaster and Avie Taylor of DeLeon visited on Friday with Bern. and Ann Keith.

Elise and Katy Duke of Stephenville spent the past week with their grandparents, Humpy and Betty Duke.

Have a nice day.

Visiting were Freddie and Kay Rodgers of Desdemona, Steve Estes of Sanger, Bobby Owens of Ranger.

On Friday morning Pat Graham, Billie Marble, Judy killebrew, Jason

Some guests were Dr. Michael and Marsha Whitehorn of Abilene. Marie Cook of Carbon and Sylvia Estes and Bubba of DeLeon.

A Word in Season

By Pastor Dane Gressett

POSITIVE CHILD TRAINING

"... do not provoke your children to anger but bring them up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord." Ephesians 6:4

This Bible verse shows us that failure to properly parent our children "provokes" them to anger. The way we train our kids is very important. We need to both "nurture" and "admonish" them. Nurture is a positive and affirming process, done in seasons of "non-conflict". Admonition is a more negative process that usually happens only after the child messes up. Both are necessary. One without the other will result in problems. Nurturing should be seen as the active, daily, ongoing work of instilling God's values into the lives of our children. Admonition should be seen as the periodic break in the routine to bring more forceful correction/ punishment when warranted. Unfortunately, the moral instruction most kids get is largely of the negative kind. We tend to wait until they mess up to do any serious teaching.

Why not take time daily to nurture your child? This is more than hugs and an afternoon or evening of television viewing! Reading Bible stories and then explaining the issues raised and how those issues relate to our lives today is a good method. Other children's books can also be used to reinforce the values you want to instill in your kids. A walk in the park explaining the reasons why a clean park is more beneficial to all is more preferred than waiting until you catch your child littering to teach them about public responsibility and environmental stewardship. Taking your kids to Sunday school and church are also great tools of positive child

An ancient biblical writer said it well, "Train up a child in the way that he should go, and when he is old he will not depart from it." Notice again the emphasis on "up"! The best time to train kids is when they are not in trouble. Then the process can be a positive and nurturing one. (Questions or comments? Email dane@txol.net)

Man Sentenced To Prison For 330 Days For Forgery

Jimmy Wayne Daniels, 26, formerly of Dallas, Texas, is now an inmate awaiting transfer to state prison to serve a 330 day sentence for the felony offense of Forgery By Making.

Daniels had forged a travelers check and presented it for payment to a local merchant.

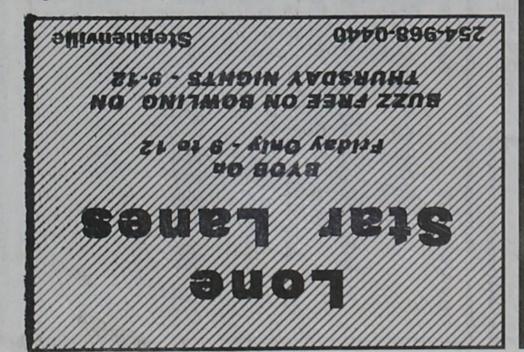
The Honorable Judge Steven Herod of the 91st District Court sentenced Daniels. Gary D. Peak of Eastland represented Daniels at his hearing.

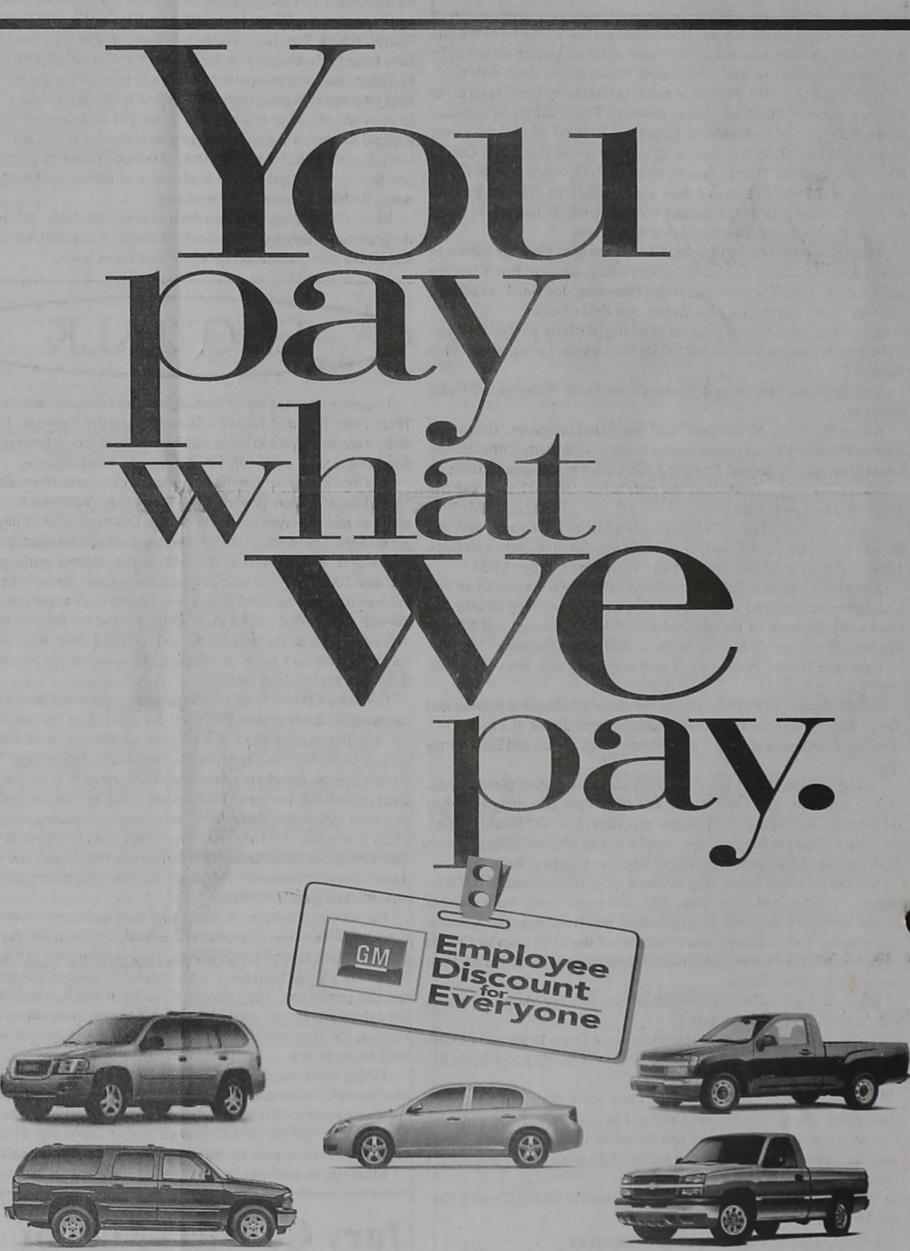
DWI Defendant Sentenced To Prison For Six Years

Eddie Bert Niesen, 50, formerly of Wills Point, Texas, is now an inmate awaiting transfer to state prison to serve a (6) eight year sentence for the felony offense of Driving While Intoxicated. Mr. Niesen was apprehended on August 21, 2004 by a Texas Department of Public Safety Trooper upon a routine traffic stop.

Mr. Niesen had been previously convicted three other times for DWI, in Oklahoma in 1999, in Van Zandt County in 2000 and in Hunt County

The Honorable Judge Steven Herod of the 91st District Court sentenced Wilson. Robert A. McCleskey of Eastland represented Niesen at his hear-





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