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Taran Woltman and Jay Miller Pledge Vows



Taran Rae Woltmon and Jay Weldon Miller were married at 7:00 p.m. on November 4, 2005, in the Holiday Inn in Linthicum, Maryland. The Reverend Dr. James G. Kirk, officiated. A reception followed in the Chesapeake Room at the Holiday Inn.

On the eve of the wedding, the groom's parents hosted the rehearsal dinner at Texas Roadhouse in Pasadena, Maryland. Gifts were presented to the bride's maid-of-honor and bridesmaids. The groom also presented his gifts to his best man and groomsmen.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Eric and Ginger Woltmon of Pasadena, Maryland. She is the granddaughter of Mrs. Virginia Henderson and the late Ed Henderson of Pasadena, Maryland and Mr. and Mrs. Don Woltmon of Sacramento, CA and the late Mary Woltmon. The bride is a Junior at the University of Maryland University Center, working toward a Business Management degree. Taran is employed with the Department of Defense in Maryland.

The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Johnny and Jean Miller of Gilmer, Texas. He is the grandson of Mrs. Icy Munn and the late David O. Munn of Gorman, Texas and the late Mr. and Mrs. Gordon and Theresa Miller of De Leon, Texas. Jay is a 1994 graduate of Gilmer High School and a 2001 graduate of Stephen F. Austin State University, with a degree in Criminal Justice. He also served four years in the U. S Air Force. He is employed with the Department of Defense in Maryland.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore a white satin halter ball gown with beaded lace bodice. The dress train featured beaded cut-out lace appliques and rose adornments flowing down the center. The bride wore a white veil trimmed with small white beads and carried a bouquet of fire and ice roses.

The maid of honor was the sister of the bride, Kelly Woltmon of Pasadena, Maryland. Bridesmaids were Jennifer Miller, sister of the groom of Carrollton, Texas; Christine Wefelmeyer, friend of the bride and Traci Mazur, cousin of the bride both from Pasadena, Maryland. Flower girl was Hailea Seyer, cousin of the bride of Port Jervis, New York. The bridesmaid wore a floor length, apple red satin halter gown with an apple red flower design sewn into the bodice. The maid of honor carried a bouquet of red and white roses and the bridemaids' carried a bouquet of white roses. The flower girl wore a floor length white dress with apple red roses sewn to the bottom of the skirt and a red ribbon around the waist. The flower girl carried a tiny bouquet of fire and ice roses.

The groom wore a black tux with a black tie. Best man was Russell Barham, friend of the groom of Longview, Texas; groomsmen were Scott Ragland, friend of the groom of Dallas, Texas; Kevin Conaway, friend of groom of Ft. Worth, Texas and Pooya Rezai, friend of the groom of Annapolis, Maryland. The best man and groomsmen wore black tux with

Music was provided by soloist, Aaron Mullins of Millersville, Maryland and music was provided by harpist, Jennifer Beal of Pasadena, Mary-

The wedding party was introduce as they came into the reception following the wedding. Jay and Taran had there first dance followed by both of their parents dancing with them. Taran also had a dance with her father, and Jay with his mother. The DJ played music as a full course dinner was served, which include chef's salad, Chesapeake chicken, cheese and gar- which participated in School and Youth Programs like Pennies for Palic potatoes, assorted steamed vegetables and rolls.

followed by a seven day Western Caribbean cruise. The couple will reside in their new townhouse in Pasadena, Maryland

Junior High Track Travels To Cross Plains Track Meet

The Gorman Junior High track team traveled to Cross Plains for a track meet on March 2nd. Out of the 14 schools that attended the track meet, Gorman received 5th place with 45 points. Madison Wells showed everyone a new speed and Evangelina Sanchez dominated the meet.

In the Junior High girls division, Madison Wells received 3rd place in the 100 M Dash with a time of 14.77; Madison also received 6th place in the 200 M Dash with a time of 30.88. Evangelina Sanchez received 1st place in the 400 M Dash with a time of 1.06.93. Jamie Johnston placed 5th in the 800 M Run with a time of 2.58.78. Evangelina Sanchez also placed 1st in the 1600 M Run with a time of 6.38.91. In the 4 X 400 Relay Gorman finished 4th with a total time of 5.10.34. Looking at field events, Evangeline Sanchez placed 2nd with a distance of 12 feet 11 1/2 inches.

Lady Panthers Topple Evant 12-3

The Lady Panther softball avenged an early season loss to Evant (1-4) by routing the Lady Elks 12-3. That brought Gorman's record to 4-3 on the season. Audrey Johnston was 1 for 4 with a grand slam homerun, 4 RBI's, and 1 run scored. Megan Lewis went 3 for 5 with 2 singles, 1 double, 1 RBI, and 1 stolen base. Nikki Keith was 1 for 4 with a double, a stolen base, and 2 runs scored. Kendra Swanner was 3 for 4 with 3 singles, 2 RBI, a stolen base, and 2 runs scored. Kristy Carlton was 3 for 5 with 3 singles, 1 RBI, 1 stolen base, and 1 run scored. Brandy Carlton was 1 for 4 with a double, RBI, and 1 run scored. Val Longoria was 2 for 5 with a RBI and 2 runs scored. Tecia Jones was 2 for 4 with 2 singles, a stolen base, and a run scored. Rosa Herrera was 2 for 3 with 2 singles, 2 RBI, a stolen base, and 2 runs scored. Others playing in the field for the Lady Panthers were Holly Wright and Reba Granado. Kendra Swanner pitched 7 innings giving up 5 hits, 3 runs (2 earned), and 5 strikeouts while picking up the win.

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The Lady Panthers open district play against Albany on Tuesday March 7th in Albany (game will have been played by press time). Then Gorman returns home for a non-district game against Perrin here on March 10th at 4:30. During the spring break week the Ladies will play a district game against Baird here at 4:30 on the 14th of March and then they play a non-district game against Goldthwaite there at 6:00 on March 16th. Good luck in district play Lady Panthers!

Honor Roll Correction!!

The name of Jasmine Fischer, first grader, was misspelled in the A-B Honor Roll List.

It was spelled with a "F" on Jasmine and we regret the error.

Gorman GROW Meeting Set March 9

There will be a Gorman GROW Meeting on Thursday, 9, at 7:30. It will follow the Community Meeting scheduled for 6:30 in the Community Center. We welcome, and urge, any interested parties to please attend. Hope to see you there.

Cubs Track Meet Results From Cross Plains

8th Grade Field Events- Long Jump- Tyler Johnson 1st place with a jump of 16'-5 1/2", Shot Put-Taylor 5th place with a throw of 33'-1 1/2", Discus- Tyler Johnson 4th place with a throw of 110'-2", Triple Jump-Taylor Chew 5th place with a jump of 30'- 8 1/2".

8th Grade Running Events- 100 meter dash- Tyler Johnson 1st place with a time of 12.78, 800 Meter Run- Justin Little 1st place with a time of 2:38.12 sec., 110 Meter Hurdles- Cameron Clark 4th place with a time of 21.50 sec., 400 Meter Relay- Justin Little, Taylor Chew, Cameron Clark, Tyler Johnson- 2nd place with a time of 52.18 sec., !600 Meter Relay- Justin Little, Cameron Clark, Taylor Chew, Tyler Johnson- 5th place with a time of 4:42.30 sec.

Other members of the team are: Ben Burgess, John Flores, Eric Ryon Alex Giles, Poncho Raygoza, Raymond Martin, Matt Keith, Keifer Wilson, and Randy Woodall. The Boys took 4th place over all with 62 points. The team will travel to Deleon on Thursday to compete in the Bearcat

School Board Trustee Election Deadline For Set

three-year terms and are currently held by Mark Simmons and Daryl February 13, 2006. Deadline for filing will be March 13, 2006 at 5:00 p.m. Applications can be completed at the Administration office during school hours. Incumbents Mark Simmons and Daryl Hirst have filed for

Local Students Collect Coins To Find A Cure

Students at Gorman ISD will kickoff the 2006 Pennies for Patients Campaign benefiting The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society. For three weeks, March 7-24 students will bring their spare pennies, nickels, dimes and quarters to school and contribute them to their classroom's collection container. Their spare change will add up to save the lives of people touched by blood-related cancers.

Last year, \$13 million was raised by the schools through the country tients. Multi-Platinum Artist Mandy Moore will serve as the National The couple had a short trip to a Bed and Breakfast in Elkton, Maryland Honorary Chairperson of The Leukemia and Lymphoma Society's School and Youth Programs. She will personally visit the top fund-raising school in the country at the end of the year.

> Over 400 schools in the North Texas area are participating in the campaign. Funds raised through these schools support the Society's mission to cure Leukemia, Lymphoma, Hodgkin's disease and Myeloma, and improve the quality of life of patients and their families. Thanks to the fantastic efforts from last year, North Texas schools raised over \$465,000. This year, the goal is set at \$600,000 and Gorman ISD is helping the North Texas Chapter read that goal.

> For more information on the Pennies for Patients campaign, please contact Stacy Macphearson, Campaign Director at 972-354-8310 or Misty Aguero, Campaign Coordinator at 817-708-0703.

> > Gorman ISD SPRING BREAK MONDAY, MARCH 13 THRU FRIDAY, MARCH 17TH

Lady Panthers Lift At Regional - Qualify 2 for State



State Qualifiers - Rosa Herrera and Kendra Swanner

This past weekend 6 Lady Panther powerlifters competed in the Texas High School Women's Powerlifting Association Region I Championships in Abilene. All members competed at a high level and represented our school well. The Ladies finished 1st out of all Class 1A schools there. They also finished 7th in the Division III standings which includes all 1A and 2A schools. Last year the team took runner-up in Division III, but that doesn't take away from what our girls accomplished this season. Tecia Jones finished 10th in the 105 division and 2nd among all 1A lifters in her weight class. Tecia squatted 160 lbs, benched 75 lbs, and deadlifted 205 lbs. Her 440 lb total matched her best ever. Sharla Perez finished 7th in the 123 division and 3rd among all 1A lifters in here division. Sharla squatted 215 lbs, benched 125 lbs, and deadlifted 260 lbs. Her 600 lbs total was a career best. Megan Lewis finished 6th in the 123 division and 2nd among all 1A lifters in her division. Megan squatted 240 lbs, benched 110 lbs, and deadlifted 265 lbs. Her 615 lb total was a career best. Nikki Keith finished 12th in the 132 division and 4th among all 1A lifters in her division. Nikki squatted 185 lbs, benched 95 lbs, and deadlifted 270 lbs. Her 550 lbs total was 10 lbs below her career best. Kendra Swanner finished 6th in the 165 division and 1st among all class A lifters in her division. Kendra squatted 240 lbs, benched 125 lbs, and deadlifted 315 lbs. Kendra's 680 lb total is 15 lbs below her best. Rosa Herrera finished 6th in the 181 division and 1st among all 1A lifters in her weight class. She squatted 305 lbs, benched 125 lbs, and deadlifted 290 lbs. Her 720 lb total matched her career best.

It was an exciting meet right up to the very end. Rosa and Kendra each had a chance to medal overall (1A-5A) going into their last lifts. Megan and Sharla went into their last lifts attempted to make the qualifying total for state in the 123 division (650 lbs). Rosa missed her attempt at 305 but was very close. She was passed up for 5th and missed out on a medal. Kendra Swanner attempt 350 lbs (25 more than her best ever) and she completed the lift but only received 1 white light and therefore did not get credit for the lift and consequently missed out on a medal. Megan Lewis took her shot at 300 lbs (35 lbs more than her best) since that was her only chance to qualify for state. She got it off the ground and fought hard, but couldn't complete the lift. Sharla had to attempt 310 lbs (50 lbs more than her best) for her only shot at state. Sharla also got if off the ground and fought hard, but was unable to make the lift. It should be noted, that both Megan and Sharla would have qualified for state under last years qualifying standards, but in December the association increased the qualifying standards for the first time in 4 years.

Two lifters did qualify for the state meet continuing a streak for Gorman High School. Rosa Herrera will be making her first trip to state in the 181 class by finishing 1st among all 1A lifters in her weight class. Currently Rosa is 3rd in the State among all 1A 181 lifters. Kendra TWO positions will come open for the May 13, 2006 election for Swanner qualifies for her 3rd state meet by finishing 1st among all class school board trustee to be elected at large. These positions will be for A lifters in her weight class. Currently Kendra is 6th in the State among all 1A 165 lifters. The THSWPA State meet will be held in Killeen at the Hirst. Applications for filing for a position on the ballot will begin on Killeen Convention Center. All 1A lifters compete on Saturday March 18th. Lifting will begin between 9:00 am and 9:30 am. Come support our State Qualifiers! Good Luck Ladies!

Academic Award Winners From Gorman High School



The Academic Award Winners that received awards from the Gorman Chamber of Commerce during the banquet held Monday night at ZJ's Steakhouse were Seniors - Cindy Lopez and Zack Bryan; Junior - Kay Ann Howard; Sophomore - Brandy Carlton and Freshman -Matt Underwood.

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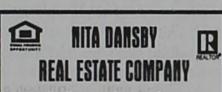
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Clyde Buchan "Hammer" Wright

Clyde Buchan "Hammer" Wright, age 96 of De Leon passed away on Tuesday, February 28, 2006 at Comanche County Medical Center. Services were held on Thursday, March 2, 2006 at 2:00 p.m. at the De Leon First Baptist Church with Mark Roath officiating. Music was by Martha and Rocky Bunting. Interment was in De Leon Cemetery.

She was born on June 6, 1909 to the late James E. Buchan and Iva Browning Buchan in Eastland County. She married R. D. "Doc" Wright on July 19, 1931 in Cisco. He preceded on February 13, 1994.

She was a retired school teacher, having taught for 30 years; resided in De Leon since 1943. She was a member of the First Baptist Church, retired Teachers Association, Order of Eastern Star and De Leon Senior Citizens.

Survivors include: daughter, Mackie Bradshaw and husband Edward of Garden Ridge, TX.; niece Linda Lander and family of Glen Rose; three grandchildren, Edward Bradshaw, Ray Bradshaw and Dan Bradshaw and to great-grandchildren, Brad Bradshaw and Will Bradshaw.

She was also preceded by a son James Michael Wright; four sisters, Lillie Buchan, Fae Walker, Bonnie Wilhite and Johnnie Anderson.

Pallbearers were Ronald Spuill, David Lander, Trent Lander, John Mack Weaver, Benny Morris, Larry Simpson. Honorary were Bob Menzel, Bennie Boen, Herbert Spruill, Dr. F. A. Eisenrich and Dr. A. E. Pino.

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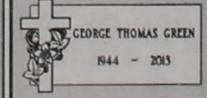
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Monda and her husband Bill moved to Gorman just last year. Both are retired from teaching. She has an MSE in Art from Harding University in Searcy, Arkansas. Both she and her husband Bill have also studied and taught in Europe. Before her retirement she served as Chairman of the Art Department and was also an instructor at Harding Academy in Searcy Arkansas. She served as Adjunct Art Instructor throughout her career as well as giving private lessons in painting, glass and sculpture.

The adult class is open to all ladies, is free of charge and materials will be provided. Monda will also be teaching a class on Oil Painting in the Fall. Please take advantage of this opportunity to join the group for fun, learning, devotion and fellowship. To register, please call 734-4508 or 734-3135 by March 13.

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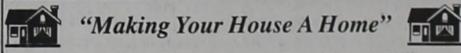
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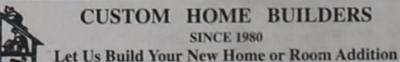
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Super Notes

By David K. Perry dperry@gorman.esc14.net 734-3171

Spring sports, Ag shows, and U.I.L Academic competition is in full swing and that means that most of us around school are extremely busy. Regardless of what your interests are, there is bound to be something that will entertain you at school this spring. Take last Saturday for example, there was a basketball tournament going on at the school for the area basketball league most of the day; there was an afternoon baseball game on our field, and we had girl's competing in the regional Powerlifting meet in Abilene. Truly, something for everyone!

I do not know how the basketball tournament turned out, but our baseball team lost a close one to May. That's the bad news. The good news is that Kendra Swanner and Rosa Herrera have advanced to state in Powerlifting. Congratulations girls!

I must tell you that this week article is going to be short. My brain is not going full speed since I did not go to bed until about 6:00am this morning. I was helping cook brisket for the survivor's celebration. I won't mention with whom I was working, but they are both a little older than I am and evidently both have a lot more stamina since I had to give it up and go home at 5:00am and leave it to them to finish up. All I have to say is that if you enjoyed the brisket, Ray and Jud were the ones that stuck it out until the end and got the job done! Thanks guys! I also want to thank all of the guys that were helping earlier in the evening and especially Shawn Boles for getting us all the extension cords and fans we needed.

Really, as far as the survivor's banquet there are several people here in town that deserve a pat on the back for all the work they put in to make it happen. I'm afraid to try to list them because I might leave someone out, but they are not hard to spot. These folks are the ones that make Gorman the nice place it is to live. You know who they are. There are involved in everything. They are the ones who are always doing all the work at the different events that happen throughout the year. If you are not one of these people about which I have been talking, I challenge you to get involved with your community and help whenever you can. If you don't, who will?

A public hearing will be held in the auditorium Monday, March 20th at noon regarding the proposed early start date as required by law. If you have any objections to an early start date, please attend and share your

Friday, March 10th the Sixth Grade will have Junior High Orientation starting with lunch at 12:05 with the Junior High Students. We hope your child is excited about making the transition. We will make the transition as pleasant as possible.

The U.I.L. Awards Ceremony will be held Friday at 2:15 in the auditorium for those that participated in the U.I.L. academic competition. These students represented our school extremely well this year!

Pre-K Registration will be Friday, March 10th from 9:00a.m. to 2:30p.m. If you have a child to register, please take this opportunity to help us be prepared for them next year. Thanks!

and administration offices will be closed. We look forward to seeing everyone back to school refreshed on the 20th.

The Girl Scouts will start meeting after school on April 3rd. More information about the organization will be sent out later.

11th.

Cheerleading tryouts for Junior High and High School will be March 8th.

Here are some dates and events that may be of interest to you:

3/9 JH Track @ De Leon 3/10 Softball here @ 4:30; Baseball @ Gordon 4:00

6th grade orientation

3/11 Track @ Cisco; Boys Regional Powerlifting @ Lubbock

3/14 Softball here 4:30

3/16 Baseball @ Cisco 2:00; Softball @ Goldthwaite 6:00 3/18 Girls State Powerlifting @ Killeen; Track @ Roscoe

3/20 OAP Rehearsals in Ranger 9:00; Baseball here 4:00 Softball @ Eula 4:30

3/21 OAP @ Ranger 5:00 I always feel like I am forgetting something or someone each time I submit this article for publication. If I missed any event that you would like to have seen covered, please let me know. It takes community involvement for a school to be successful and you are welcome to get involved at Gorman ISD anytime. Remember, this is your school; these are your children; and these children are your future! Come help us shape the future.

CCHC County History Book Volunteers To Meet, Mar. 18

The Comanche County Historical Commission's County History Book Volunteers will be meeting Saturday, March 18, 2006 in the Comanche Courthouse at 1

This will be the first meeting of the volunteers who will be planning the scope and sequence of the Comanche County History Book. For years, people have talked about the need to do a Comanche County History Book and this is your opportunity to participate. Please attend.

Eastland County residents who have Comanche County roots and relatives are encouraged to participate in this history project.

The editor/compiler is Alfred Evans who compiled the Comanche County veterans book Before Memories Fade. Each community, cemetery associations, service organizations and churches are being asked to designate representatives to compile the individual histories.

Family histories will be included in the history book too. If your family history has already been published, please include a brief summary, the name of the book and your name. The book committee has yet to meet and work our many of the technical details of family history section. Plans include a small fee for each photograph submitted to help cover the publication costs of the book.

Remember if you do not do your family or community history for the Comanche County History book, who will do it?

program. (Not all prohibited bases apply to all programs.)

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Maxfield Elementary Pre-Kindergarten Registration

Maxfield Elementary School will be holding Pre Kindergarten registration March 10th from 8:30a.m. until 2:00p.m. at the Elementary Office. Please bring students Shot Record, Social Security Card, and Birth Certificate. We will also need identification of person registering stu-

This is for students that will be 4 by September 1, 2005 and will be attending Gorman ISD Pre-Kindergarten class during the 2006-2007

La escuela Maxfield Elemental tendra su Registración para el Prekinder. La registracion sera el 10 de marzo a las 8:30 a.m. hasta las 2:00 p.m. en la Oficina Elemental. Por favor traiga con usted la Tarjeta del Seguro Social, Las de las bacunas, y la Acta de Nacimiento del nino/a que van haser registrados.

Nosotros también necesitaremos identificación de la persona que vaya a registrar al estudiante.

Esto es para los estudiantes que van a cumplir 4 anos antes del 1 de septiembre del 2005 y estarán asistiendo a Gorman ISD para su Pre-Kinder durante el ano del 2006-2007.

Gorman City Commission Minutes

MARCH 2, 2006

The Gorman City Commission met on the above date. Those present were Mayor Robert Ervin, Commissioners Nathan Files, and Joe Casey. Absent were Commissioners Charlie Torrez and Tony Carter. Lori Dodd was also present.

Joe led the opening prayer followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and

Mayor Ervin called the meeting to order @ 5:31 p.m.

Joe made the motion to approve the minutes as read. Nathan made a second. Motion carried.

Nathan made the motion to approve the bills for payment. Joe made the second. Motion carried.

Joe made the motion to have Barbara attend the training school for code enforcement. Nathan made the second. Motion carried.

Advertisement will begin for a pool operator. Lori Dodd gave a report to the Commission. She currently is busy with three grants, COG Recycling grant, The RCD, downtown grant and the Texas Yes. There was discussion about beginning a paving project, deciding if funds were available. Lori discussed other grant options with the Commission.

Nathan made the motion to appoint Kathi Williams as the City Gen-Spring Break is next week, March 13th thru March 17th. The school eral Election judge. Joe made a second. Motion carried. Tacy will check on how many clerks will be necessary with the new electronic voting system.

1st reading of Ordinance 2006-01, Atmos Gas was read at this time. The Junior Class Pee Wee Tournament will be March 9th, 10th, and Adoption and 2nd reading will be conducted at the next Regular meet-

> At 6:45 p.m. Nathan made the motion to go into Executive Session. Joe made the second. Motion carried.

> At 7:05p.m. Joe made the motion to go out of Executive Session and back into Regular open session. Nathan made the second. Motion car-

No action was taken after Executive Session.

There being no further business for discussion Nathan made the motion to adjourn, with a second from Joe. Motion carried, time was 7:10

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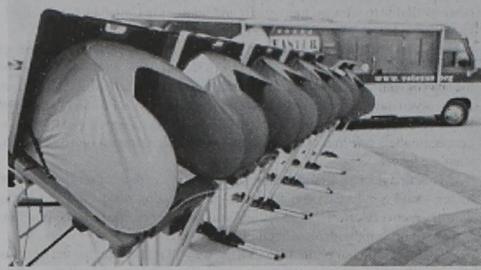
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LORI DODD

The New Way



Louise Cornejo of Edna, Texas has enjoyed a long full life. She and her late husband J.V. were blessed with four children, 16 grandchildren and 25 great-grandchildren. Louise is a longtime volunteer at her Baptist Church; she spent decades working at the local five and dime and even had a catering business where she specialized in Tex-Mex.

Louise has packed a lot into her 74 years but on March 7th she plans to do something she has never done before. Louise is going to cast her ballot on an electronic voting machine. "I think it's great. My friends and I are really excited, it's going to be a whiz," Cornejo said.

Thousands of Texans just like Louise will take their first step into the electronic voting world when polls open for our state primary election on

Texas Secretary of State Roger Williams is touring the state from the panhandle to the piney woods promoting a new voter education program called VOTEXAS. The initiative is designed to get more Texans involved and educated about the voting process.

"I am a true believer that every Texan should make their voice heard by going to the polls and casting a ballot," Williams said. "Thanks to the Help America Vote Act, we now have the technology to make voting easier, faster and more secure."

In 2002, U.S. Congress passed and President Bush signed The Help America Vote Act to replace punch card and optical scan voting systems with electronic systems. Texas received \$181 million in federal matching funds to implement the new requirements. The VOTEXAS project is a year-long educational initiative focusing on the voting process, including showing voters where to vote, when to vote and how to use the new equipment.

"My own two daughters, who are TCU students, are going to be voting for the first time, and they have seen the new systems and think they are great," Williams said. "It has them excited about voting."

While touring the state Secretary Williams is also showing off the VOTEXAS mobile exhibit, a 33-foot motor coach equipped with new electronic voting machines. The mobile exhibit is traveling to more than 40 cities over the next year.

"We are giving all Texans an opportunity to see, touch and become comfortable with electronic voting before Election Day," Williams said. "The Secretary of State's Office will be working to ensure that information is available to all constituents so that they are well informed for the primary and the general elections."

Louise has been to an event to see the mobile exhibit and check out the new machines. "They look really fancy and are kind of intimidating at first but with someone there to help you through the process it becomes real simple," Cornejo said.

For more information on VOTEXAS tour stops or demonstration locations, visit www.VOTEXAS.org or call 1-800-252-VOTE.

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Apply By March 13 For Texas Litter-Fighting High School Seniors Have Wildfire Disaster Assistance Opportunity To Receive Third Annual

Federal and state disaster recovery officials advise Texans who suffered damages from the recent Texas wildfires that March 13 is the last day to apply for assistance. The presidential declaration makes Individual Assistance available to affected individuals and families in Callahan, Cooke, Eastland, Erath, Hood, Montague, Palo Pinto, Tarrant and Wise Counties.

Those who suffered damage are encouraged to register online at www.fema.gov or call 1-800-621-FEMA (3362) or TTY 1-800-462-7585 for the hearing-and speech-impaired. The toll-free numbers are available 24hours a day, seven days a week until further notice. Applicants should be prepared to provide basic information about themselves (name, permanent address, ment of Transportation's (TxDOT) scholarship program, which will phone number), insurance coverage and any other information to help substantiate losses.

"This financial assistance is intended to ease the pain of serious disaster tion to a litter problem in their school or community. losses," said Sandy Coachman, federal coordinating officer for the Texas wildfire recovery effort. "The federal and state disaster assistance program is there to offer individuals a helping hand to recovery."

"Together with our partners in FEMA, we will make sure that the benefits of our collective assistance programs go to the people in our wildfire counties who are suffering losses," said State Coordinating Officer Franke Cantu, representing the Texas Governor's Division of Emergency Management (GDEM).

FEMA provides assistance to wildfire victims who have necessary disaster-related expenses and serious needs that are not covered by insurance. Assistance for individuals and families who suffered damage can include:

 Grants to rent a different place to live if the damaged house is unlivable. Initial temporary housing assistance my be provided for one month for homeowners and one month for renters. Assistance may be extended if requiested based on a review of individual applicant requirements.

 Grants for home repairs and replacement of essential household items not covered by insurance to make damaged dwellings safe, sanitary and func-dents must meet these guidelines: tional.

funeral, transportation and other serious disaster-related needs not covered by insurance or other federal, state and charitable aid programs. Grants are not awarded to reimburse households for spoiled food or the loss of freezers and refrigerator contents due to lack of power.)

 Low-interest disaster loans from the U.S. Small Business Administration to cover residential losses not fully compensated by insurance. Loans up to \$200,000 are available to repair/replace real estate and \$40,000 to repair/ replace personal property.

There are penalties for falsely reporting disaster damages. FEMA and GDEM are coordinating a join effort to uncover fraud attempts. People who encounter fraudulent scams should report them to their local law enforcement or the Attorney General's Office of Consumer Protection at 1-800-337-

UPDATE BY CONGRESSMAN RANDY NEUGEBAUER

A Weekly Newsletter from Congressman Randy Neugebauer

Report From Farm Bill Field Hearings

Over the weekend, I had the opportunity to attend two Farm Bill field hearings held by the House Agriculture Committee. My first stop was in Stockton, California and I then headed to Nebraska City, Nebraska for the second hearing.

One of the benefits of holding these field hearings is that I get to see first-hand the true diversity of American agriculture. On Friday in California, we were talking primarily with the fruit and vegetable growers. Then on Saturday in Nebraska, the grain and sorghum producers took center stage. As you would expect, the needs of California and Nebraska agriculture differ from the needs of Texas agriculture. I am currently working with the Committee to set up a hearing in Texas so that 19th District producers will have the same opportunity as their counterparts across the coun-

Despite the wide diversity of American agriculture, however, there is a common thread that runs through the entire industry. Whether it is orange growers in California or cotton farmers in West Texas, American producers want a level and fair playing field when it comes to trade. Reaching and properly enforcing sound trade agreements that level the playing field for our producers has been a priority for me and will remain so in the future.

Academy Forums Slated for March 25

I will be hosting two forums on March 25 to provide information for students interested in learning more about the four U.S. military academies. I encourage all who can take advantage of this opportunity to do so. Military Academies can provide excellent educations and open the door to promising career opportunities.

All students, including those currently in middle school, can attend these forums to obtain information on the application process and the educational opportunities at our nation's military academies. Parents, counselors, and teachers are also invited.

The day's first forum will take place in Abilene at Cisco Junior College (Room 152) located at 717 E. Industrial Blvd. Registration for this forum will begin at 8:30 a.m. The Lubbock forum will be held in the Science Education Center at the Science Spectrum located at 2579 South Loop 289 Registration will begin at 1:30 p.m.

-- Randy

Neugebauer Rated As Top House Conservative

Washington, DC-The United States House of Representatives consists of 435 members and Congressman Randy Neugebauer comes in as one of the top House conservatives, according to a leading publication that covers Congress.

National Journal magazine gave Neugebauer a "composite conservative score" of 95.8 out of 100, tying him for first with four other House members.

His strong conservative rating comes as no surprise to Neugebauer. "It is my job to be the voice in Congress for the constituents of the 19th District," Neugebauer said. "Folks across the South Plains and the Big Country possess traditional, conservative values, and I am proud to support those values in the U.S. House of Representatives."

In addition to the composite score, National Journal gave each House member a separate score for his votes on key economic, social, foreign policy issues during 2005. According to the magazine's study, Neugebauer is more conservative than 97 percent of his House colleagues on economic issues, and more conservative than 89 percent on both social and foreign policy issues. Neugebauer was more liberal than zero percent of his colleagues in all three categories.

Key votes on economic issues include supporting the permanent repeal of the Death Tax (H.R. 8), curbing spending by \$40 billion over five years (H.R. 4241), and extending tax relief (H.R. 4297).

Votes on social issues in the study include support for strengthening enforcement of immigration laws (H.R. 4437), increasing the fines for broadcasting indecent material over the airwaves (H.R. 310), and prohibiting the transportation of a minor girl across state lines to obtain an abortion without parental notification (H.R. 748).

On the foreign policy front, Neugebauer supported increasing funding for U.S. military operations in Iraq and Afghanistan (H.R. 1268). reducing U.N. funding (H.R. 2862), and authorizing U.S. military personnel to aid border security efforts (H.R. 1815).

"I will continue to support policies that strengthen national security, protect traditional values, and reduce the tax burden on working fami-

lies," Neugebauer said. National Journal's ratings appear in its February 25, 2006 issue.

Don't Mess With Texas Scholarship

Scholarship Program Celebrates Late Physician's Advocacy of Litter Prevention Campaign

High school seniors have the opportunity to win the 2006 Don't Mess with Texas scholarship, which this year honors the legacy of a Temple physician who worked to keep his community litter-free.

The family of David D. Barton, M.D. is funding the Texas Departaward one \$3,000 and two \$1,500 scholarships to graduating Texas high school students who have implemented a creative and sustainable solu-

The late Dr. Barton was an advocate of both higher education and litter prevention, having been a member of Keep Brazos Beautiful when he resided in College Station. His family recalls his ongoing commitment to education, and this scholarship donation honors Dr. Barton, who encouraged young people to pursue their college degrees.

"Every year we meet students who work hard to combat littering on the local level, and it is especially heartening that this year's scholarship is funded by a family of litter prevention advocates," said TxDOT Travel Division Director Doris Howdeshell. "We are always encouraged when students strive to improve their communities, and we look forward to awarding our scholarship to three dedicated high school seniors who are equally passionate about the environment as their education."

All Texas high school seniors are invited to apply no later than April 7, 2006. Students may obtain an application and information at www.DontMessWithTexas.org or through their guidance counselor. Stu-

* Any high school senior graduating in spring 2006 and who cur-· Grants to replace personal property and help meet medical, dental, rently resides and attends school in Texas is eligible to enter, regardless of GPA or extracurricular activities.

> * Students must plan to further their education at an accredited two- or four-year college or public or private university in Texas.

* Students must write an essay of 300 to 350 words identifying a litter problem in the student's school or community and the action he or she took to address the problem.

* Students must include two sealed letters of recommendation - one from a school-related source and the other from a non-school-related

* Students must complete a Don't Mess with Texas scholarship application and submit it online or by mail.

* All materials must be postmarked by April 7, 2006.

Over the past two years, TxDOT has awarded \$10,000 in Don't Mess with Texas scholarships, helping six students fund admission to universities including Texas Tech, the University of Texas at Austin, the University of North Texas, Kilgore College and Texas Christian University. Since its inception, the program has received 700 applications from high school seniors who have made litter prevention a priority in their com-

the nation's most recognizable and successful litter-prevention campaigns, specific efforts have focused on involving youth with the program, since research indicates Texans younger than 25 are most likely to litter.

Other support for the campaign includes the new "Real Texans Don't Litter" television public service announcements (PSA), which premiered in January. The PSAs feature some of Texas' most recognized celebrities including Lance Armstrong, Erykah Badu, Ray Benson, Jennifer Love Hewitt, Julius Jones, Los Lonely Boys, Matthew McConaughey, Chuck Norris, Janine Turner, Owen Wilson and Lee Ann Womack.

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

Gorman Oaklawn Cemetery Donations can be sent to Aline Garrett, P. O. Box 711, Gorman, Tx 76454 or to American State

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. Mark Wilkerson, Master — Pat Moseley, Secretary.

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

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

Boy Scouts

Meeting Week Tuesdays - 6:00 p.m. Methodist Church

SANDRA CAGLE WILL BE IN GORMAN AT THE CITY OFFICE TO RENEW AUTO LICENSE PLATES. HER NEXT VISIT - WEDNESDAY DECEMBER 21ST FROM 9 - 11 A.M.

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.

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.

Highest Bidders Claim Rare Texas Artifacts At The TSHA Gala and **Texana Auction Of The Century**

AUSTIN, TEXAS An original portrait of Stephen F. Austin and a ring worn by Sam Houston were among the rare Texas artifacts that drew the highest bids at the Texas State Historical Association's 2006 Gala & Texana Auction of the Century held Saturday night (March 4) in Austin. Total auction bids totaled approximately \$1 million.

Approximately 550 Texans from across the state attended the black-tie dinner at the Austin Convention Center, which featured the silent and live auctions of more than 188 items. Many of the items documented the state's earliest days. For three weeks prior to the event, the public also was able to participate in the auction on-line.

Items that attracted the most interest among bidders included: J. Purwill, Original portrait of Stephen F. Austin - \$100,000 Sam Houston. Gold ring with topaz stone given by Sam Houston to his wife - \$45,000

Texas Star - 1836 five-pointed, white enameled medallion - \$60,000 Texas Confederacy Archive of William Carroll Adams Family - \$65,000 James Bowie Signed Document - \$105,000

The Gala & Auction benefited the Association's innovative Digital Gateway to Texas History project. Currently the TSHA web site supports more than 24,000 encyclopedia articles from the Handbook of Texas Online, hosting more than four million page views per month from 150 countries worldwide. This new initiative will allow extensive expansion of the online database managed and maintained by TSHA.

A final figure on the proceeds from the auction is not yet available, pending the determination of final event expenses.

The event also honored five distinguished Texans for their contributions to the state. These "Texas History Makers of the Decade" are Mrs. Laura Bush, Mr. Roger Clemens, Mr. Horton Foote, The Honorable William P. Hobby, and Mr. Clayton Williams.



Global Security Begins At Home

The idea "Think Globally, Act Locally" has influenced many decisions since its first use at an international conference in 1972. It conveys the idea that effective solutions to large problems often begin with steps taken in your backyard.

Today, keeping America safe requires the same concept. While our federal government protects us by meeting global threats abroad, we also As Don't Mess with Texas celebrates its 20th anniversary as one of need to act locally, addressing the potential security threats posed by illegal immigration.

> We are all aware that important military missions are ongoing in dangerous parts of the world, and we are grateful for the courage of our military men and women. However, it would be a dishonor to their service if we did not protect our interests at home with the same dedication and vigor that they show overseas.

> Domestic security requires our attention and cannot be overlooked. We must devote additional resources to securing our nation's borders. Our southern border has become a sieve, and protecting Texas's border with Mexico is one way that we can fight the war on terror at home.

> Monitoring Texas' border with Mexico is no easy task; it spans 1,248 miles - about the distance from Houston to Washington, D.C. But just because something is difficult does not mean it cannot be done. We have to do whatever it takes to secure our borders because the alternative is simply not an option.

Securing the Texas-Mexico border is also critical to our economy, because illegal immigrants can become a serious expense to local communities in the form of overwhelmed emergency rooms and overburdened schools.

President Bush's recent budget request is a good first step toward dealing with some of the immigration problems facing our state. The president requested \$450 million to provide 1,500 new border patrol agents. While this increase is a step in the right direction, it is not enough.

Terrorists are counting on southern border policy to be weak, and we cannot allow that to happen. The 9-11 Commission recommended adding 2,000 new border patrol agents a year each year from 2006 to 2010 - at a minimum. This increase was also recommended in the National Intelligence Reform Act that became law in December 2004. Leading the fight for new border patrol agents in the Senate, I introduced a budget amendment providing full funding for them.

Last year, we caught over 160,000 other than Mexicans (OTMs) crossing into our country illegally, and we do not know how many we failed to catch. The Census Bureau estimates that over 10 million people reside in our country illegally - that's more than twice the combined populations of Houston, San Antonio, Dallas and Austin. Immigrants from countries other than Mexico are coming into our country in large numbers, and we need to make sure they go through proper security channels.

Additional funding will help accomplish the Department of Homeland Security's goal of eliminating, by October, the catch and release program in place for OTMs. Of the 160,000 OTMs caught and released, only 30,000 (under 20%) showed for their court hearings. That is unacceptable. I have urged the Department to use temporary facilities to begin detaining non-Mexican illegal entrants immediately instead of releasing them until new facilities are prepared.

I have worked in Congress to increase immigration-related funding, and last fall we passed over \$31 billion for the Department of Homeland Security, providing \$9 billion for Customs and Border Protection, Immigration & Customs Enforcement, and related activities, 250 criminal investigators (for a total of 6,000), and 20,000 detention beds. During the previous Congress, I cosponsored legislation in the Senate reimbursing Texas hospitals approximately \$47 million a year for the cost of treating illegal immigrants.

Yet immigration reform requires more than just funding. Last year a community in New Hampshire attempted to prosecute illegal immigrants, but it was thwarted when a judge ruled the federal government has exclusive jurisdiction on civil immigration issues. Other communities around the country have faced similar legal obstacles in their attempts to stem the flow of illegal immigrants.

In response, I proposed the Illegal Immigration Enforcement and Empowerment Act. This bill would allow state and local law enforcement to become more involved in the process of catching illegal immigrants. State and local governments should be permitted to pass their own laws so they can prosecute all immigration violations, both civil and criminal.

The Illegal Immigration Enforcement and Empowerment Act would allow states to enforce federal immigration law and to create state immigration enforcement provisions in accordance with federal law. It would also authorize the Department of Homeland Security to create a Volunteer Border Marshall Program that would use trained, volunteer, state-licensed peace officers on temporary missions on the border to assist the Border Patrol.

This program would provide temporary help to identify and control illegal immigration. It would also supply extra support to stop human and drug trafficking. This is a sensible option for communities that are looking for broader capability.

Security at our borders is an investment in national security, and we must attack the problem at every level.

Veterans Benefits Seminar Set For April 1st In Eastland

Delilah Washburn, Texas Veteran Commission; Joel Jimenez, Comander, Disabled Americans Veterans Ch. 41, Wichita Falls, Tx; Larry Monroe, Public Relations Officer, Disabled American Veterans, Ch. 41, Wichita Falls, Tx.; and George Pierce, Comander of VFW Post 4136, Eastland, Tx would like to cordially invite you to attend the 2nd Annual Veterans Seminar on April 1, 2006.

This is a free seminar and will be held at the VFW Post 4136, on FM570 in Eastland, Tx. Hours will be from 10:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M.

There will be speakers from the Waco VA Regional Offices, VA Medical Center of Dallas, National Cemeteries of Dallas and Ft. Sill, OK., Texas Veterans Commission, Texas Veterans Land Board, Disabled American Veterans and other Veterans Service Organizations who will provide information and assistance regarding all areas of Veterans Benefits.

Last year was a tremendous success because of veterans like you who continue to share the message to the VA that our community is underserved.

New programs and updates will be discussed. The success of last year's event was great; however, hundreds of veterans are still waiting on a list to receive care. That is why it is important that we all need to show up and be heard and help our fellow veterans.

Be sure to bring your Discharge Papers (DD214) and any paperwork from the VA that you don't understand.

See you April 1, 2006!!!

For more infomation contact Larry Monroe, Program Coordinator at 254-647-1097

Proceeds To Be Donated to The Eastland County Relay For Life

Relay For Life with the American Cancer Society will be held June 9th, 2006, at the Gorman High School Track Field. Arbonne Independent Consultants, Valerie Hampton, Jancey Hamilton Terry and Michelle Hampton Byrd, are donating all profits from sales from now until the night of the event, to the Pajama Mamas Relay Team. Please contact us today to place an order. Valerie - 254.433.0859 valerie_l_hampton@yahoo.com; Michelle - 254.433.1804 chell@cctc.net; Jancey - 512.734.2396 - jancey@myarbonne.com

Thanks A Lot!

We have no way of saying Thank You enough to express our gratitude of blessings we have received by the 1st response group of Gorman, Dr. Dan and his staff that came and cared for Tom while we waited for the ambulance arrival, each and every one of you "even though we know not your name" were a blessing from God. We say Thanks for the cards, flowers, telephone calls and food and thanks to those who visited and sat with, but most of all for your prayers. We know they were heard and were answered. Thanks each and everyone so very, very much.

Tom and Lucille Broom

Tarleton's A Honor Roll, Distinguished Students Named

The A Honor Roll and Distinguished Students list for the fall 2005 semester has been released at Tarleton State University.

Dr. Gary Peer, Provost and Vice President of Academic Affairs at the University, released the names of students recognized on both the Stephenville and Killeen campuses.

Student listed on the A Honor Roll for the fall semester earned a 4.0 grade point ratio (GPR) on the 4.0 system while taking a minimum of 12 hours.

To be named a Distinguished Student, freshman and sophomore students must be in good standing with the University and have a minimum GRP of 3.25 with no grade lower than C; junior and senior students must be in good standing with the University and have a minimum GRP of 3.50 with no grade lower than C.

The students listed from our area were (A - Honor Roll - D - Distinguished): CARBON - Michelle Byrd - D; DE LEON - Jose Pacheco - A-D, Dosha Singleton -A-D, Brooke Golden - D, Cody Hardin - D, Desiree Kea - D, Leslie Murphy - D, Shelly Stone - D, Cissy Ward - D; DESDEMONA - Samantha Duke - A-D; GORMAN - Sheryl Everton - D, Keri Guthery - D, Lacy Howard - D, Jamie Maupin - D, Angelo Porter - D, Lydia Royster - D, Anna Sauceda - D, Matthew Swanner - D, Rebecca White - D.

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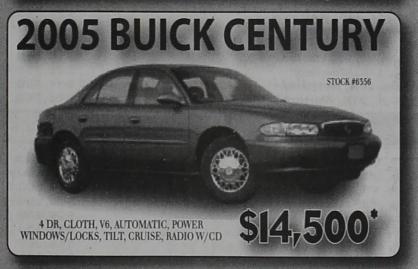
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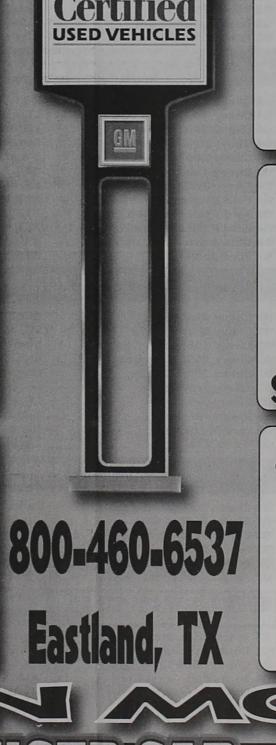
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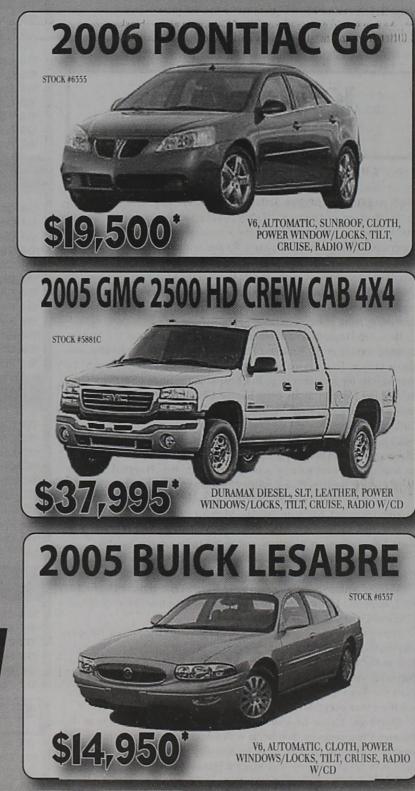














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Heritage Manor News

By Nancy Hendricks

A Prayer Of Patience

God, teach me to be patient -Teach me to go slow -

Teach me how to "wait on You"

Whey my way I do not know. . . Teach me sweet forbearance

When things do not go right So I remain unruffled

When otoehrs grow up tight . . .

Teach me how to quiet My racing, rising heart

So I may hear the answer

You are trying to impart . . . Teach me to let go, dear God,

And pray undisturbed until My heart is filled with inner peace And I learn to know Your will.

Provided by Larry Stogsdill

My daughter, Sylvia, is helping me write this column of news for possibly "one time" so please call me at 734-4599 with your news. Recent visitors were Bo and Anna Lee Roberts, Winston Brown,

Kendra and Mattox Roberts, Dorothy Roberts of Desdemona. Our heartfelt sympathy goes out to the famil of Diana Snider.

Some guests were Jimmy and Verna Lee Little, Bobby and Mary Jane Little, Bill Little of Granbury, Woodrow and Helen Browning, Zelda Jordan, Joe and Glenda Bond, Kay Snider, Bro. Clarence and Leona Wilson of Stephenville, Daisy Slaton, Carol Ward, Doris Bradshaw, Bro. Barry and charlene Schahn, Bro. Denver and Alice Rainey, Karen Pena, Don O'Neal of Houston, Texas, Fannie Bell Hoy of Conroe, Texas, Bro. Pena, Bro. Richard Watson and Connie, Rachel, Jordan and Grace Ann, Bro. Larry Stogsdill, Wynelle Brown of Carbon, Gene and Janice Wood and grandson, Tyler, of Eastland, Charles and Carolyn Little, James, Ellen and Rachael Tucker, Majorie Nell Treadway, Ernestine Campbell, Gene and Carolyn Foster, Irene West, Joy Campbell and Eunice Love, Dickey Eaves, Betty Little and daughter, Karen, Anna Lee Roberts, Kendra and Mattox Roberts, Wayne Eaves and daughter, Lorin, Dr. David Long, Robert (Bob) McCool of Baird, Lisa Bush of Eastland, Ryan Sims of Abilene, Durwood and Aletha Burgess, Aline Garrett, Durwood Webb, Carolyn and Floydene Gilbert, Dorothy Roberts of Desdemona, Larry Anderson of Clifton, Texas, June Selman, Billy Joe and Betty Sue Dennis, Ruby Lee Kinser, Joe Bennett, Kay Lynn Lasater of Eastland, Max and Janice Grice of Brownfield, Howard and Pat Hagood, Bonnie Craft of Lake Leon, Dr. A. E. Pino, M.D.; Kay Ann Craddock, Nelda Mauney, Lonnie Bennett, Jill, Ashley and Breckley Little, Barbara Love, Billy Earl and Francis Simpson, Tacy and Madison Warren, Pat Graham, daughters, and sons of Jewel Snider, and many more. Special phone calls from my grandson, Kelly Buchanan and nephew, Dr. Barry John O'Neal of Cleveland, Tennessee, niece, Johnny Beth Shackelford, niece, Sharon O'Neal Mearse, niece, Wyvonna Hoover of California, and cousin, Mary Lloyd Sorrells of Colorado City, Tx, nephew, John Lewis and Wynelle Stone of Hico, Tx. to name a few. Your prayers are greatly appreciated as my health improves daily. My address is 210 W. Hamilton, Gorman, Texas 76454.

Residents were happy to have their hair styled by Karen Guthery on

Some visitors were Nelda and Donnie Mauney, Cecil and Rena Robertson, Gary Mauney, Mary Jeffs, Howard and Pat Hagood.

Recent guests were Sylvia Estes, Donald Cook and wife, Michael and Marsha Whitehorn of Abilene.

Some visitors were Pat and Darrelljk Graham, Judy Killebrew and Jason Killebrew.

Residents were happy to hear that Helen Browning is home from the hospital. Woodrow and Helen Browning, Ruby Lee Kinser and Billy Joe Dennis are faithful to come each Monday afternoon for Gospel sing-

Kokomo News

By Zelda Jordan

Bro. Jeff Burk of Graham was the quest preacher at the Sunday morning service at the Kokomo Baptist Church. Other visitors were his wife, Michelle and their children, Jeffery, Sarah, Laura and Jessa, and Ed and Ruthie Rodgers of Gorman. "Happy Anniversary" was sung to Ed and Ruthie Rodgers. Norma Webb gave a mission emphasis on the North American Missions week of prayer for the Annie Armstrong Easter offering. Helen and Woodrow Browning, Joe Bond and Thomas Seay rendered the special music with Glynda Bond at the keyboard. We were so glad that Nancy Hendricks and Sylvia Buchanan were able to be back in the service with us on Sunday following Nancy's stay in the hospital and then the nursing home.

Bro. Jim Haggard of Strawn was the guest preacher at the Sunday evening service at the Kokomo Baptist Church. His wife, Bobbie was also a visitor. The service began at 4:30 p.m. so the service would be over in time for members to go to Eastland to the Shiloh Southern Gospel Quartet Concert at the First Baptist Church. Those from Kokomo enjoying the concert were Joe and Glynda Bond, Bobby and Mary Jane Little, Jimmy and Verna Lee Little and Zelda Jordan. Our hearts were really blessed with their singing. Following the concert, there was a time of recognition and prayer for the ones from the First Baptist Church that are leaving this week for a mission trip to Africa. Bro. Haggard is among those making the trip. Please remember them in your prayers.

Bro. Jimmy Nelson of Ft. Worth will be the guest preacher at the Kokomo Baptist Church on Sunday, March 12.

Bro, Jeff, Michelle, Jeffery, Sarah, Laura and Jessa Burk of Graham were dinner guests of Woodrow and Helen Browning on Sunday.

Justin Snider visited LaVon Snider last week. Recently Isaac, Audri,

Ella and Belle Segura Segura of Gorman ate supper with LaVon. Visitors with Sylvia Buchanan were Jimmy Dale Hendricks of East-

land, Jesse and Lenora Speer of Ranger, Linda Brumbelow of Stephenville and Gene and Janice Wood of Eastland. Nancy Hendricks was able to leave the Heritage Manor last Tuesday

and move to the home she has purchased in Gorman. We wish her the best in her new home. Nancy has been my closest neighbor for over fifty-nine years and I really do miss her not being across the highway from me. For those who don't know, Nancy's home burned during the wildfires that swept the community on January 1. David and Cassie Brasher, who lost their home near Carbon in the

January 1 fire, replaced their home with a double-wide mobile home and were able to move into the home on Saturday. We wish them the best in their new home. Jimmy and Maggie Nelson, Travis, Gladys, Alexis, Tiffany and Ethan Nelson of Fort Worth and Scotty Nelson of Andrews

visited with them. Jimmy and Verna Lee Little attended the basketball tournament in which a granddaughter, Breckley Little played on Friday night and Saturday in Eastland.

Norma Webb visited with Zelda Jordan on Monday.

Many from the Kokomo Community were among the large crowd that attended the Gorman Chamber of Commerce "Heroes and Survivors" Benefit and Awards Dinner at ZJ's in Gorman on Monday night, and then went across the street to the Senior Center for the gospel music programs presented by the Howard Family and The Messengers. What a great night it was. Our heartfelt thanks and appreciation goes to all the firemen and all others who fought so hard to protect our homes and property as best they could during the raging wildfires, and we will never forget their courageous acts. May God be with you always.

Work is progressing well on the new Kokomo Baptist Church building, and it makes us feel happy and thankful that we will soon have a beautiful new building in which to worship our Lord and Saviour.

Desdemona News

By Vonnie Guthery

Desdemona Firemen's Benefit will be held on Saturday, March 25 at the Community Center (School Gym). This benefit will be in connection with the regular monthly musical. Stew, cornbread, dessert and drink will be served by donation only. Serving time begins at 5:00 p.m. followed by country and western music at 6:00 p.m. All area musicians and singers are invited to attend. All proceeds will go to the Desdemona Volunteer Fire Department. Make plans to attend and show your appreciation to our local firemen.

Neil Pack suffered a severe neck injury in an accident at this home he Jakehammon Community, south of Desdemona. He was feeding his cows when a large round bale of hay fell on him that broke his neck with other injuries. Neil was able to call for help on his cell phone. Ambulance carried him to the Comanche County Medical Center where he was careflighted to a Fort Worth Hospital. Neil had surgery on Saturday for his neck injury. The family reports he is recovering very well. Friends in Desdemona sends Get Well Wishes to Neil for a speedy recovery. Neil graduated from Desdemona with the Class of 1950.

Dorothy Roberts spent a few days in the Harris-Southwest Hospital in Fort Worth recovering from a heart attack. Jeff Roberts of Dallas brought his mother back home to Desdemona on Friday. Dorothy is feeling better and glad to be back home.

Avie (Keith) Taylor of De Leon spent a week in the Comanche County Medical Center recovering from pneumonia. Avie is a sister to Vonnie Newton lives in De Leon.

Remember, these on the sick list and other shut-ins with your cards and prayers.

ing. "They are referred to as "The Nursing Home Quartet."

Simpson, Christene Hammontree, Durwood Webb, Kay Ann Craddock, Carolyn and Floydene Gilbert, Beth Shirley, Mary Margaret Hudson, Veronica Seaton, Amber and Jordan and Weldon Scitern.

and prayers.

"Happy Birthday" to our friend and classmate, Alla Rae (Friday) Kelley in Sealy near Houston. The Friday family are former residents of Desdemona where their four children attended school. Marion lives in Houston, Wayne is deceased and Rex is deceased.

This reporter received a short note from Bruce Browning and wife, Mickey of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. They are all doing fine - ready for warmer weather in that area. Bruce graduated from Desdemona with the Class of 1948. His twin sister, Emma Lou is deceased. Bruce says "Hello" to friends in this area.

O. T. Walls passed away. Burial was on Saturday in the Lingleville Cemetery. Survivors include a brother, Jackie Walls and wife, Nell of the School Hill Community. Preceded in death by his mother, Nettie (Pool)

Clyde (Buchan) Wright, 96, of De Leon passed away. Burial was in the De Leon Cemetery. Survivors include a daughter, Mackie Dee and three grandsons. Preceded in death by her husband, R. D. Wright, her parents, sisters and a host of friends. Clyde attended school in Desdemona and graduated with the Class of 1928. She was a wonderful friend and much loved by all who knew her. Her husband, R. D. served as Superintendent of the Desdemona School for several years. Our sincere sympathy goes out to these families who have lost loved ones.

Please contact this reporter with your weekly news. The news is written on Sunday night and delivered by noon on Monday each week. Your help would be appreciated. Call 254-758-2665 and leave a message.

Please contact this reporter if you have a change of address for the Annual Homecoming and School Reunion Mailing List. It will soon be time to get this list completed as the date for our Homecoming is Saturday, August 12. Write Vonnie Guthery - P. O. Box 187 - Desdemona, Tx 76445 or call 254-758-2665.

Sunday afternoon, March 5, Madilyn Brooke Lewis, celebrated her Guthery and Bernard Keith both of Desdemona. Another sister, Mattie 2nd birthday with a pony - princess party hosted by her parents, Gerald and Shanna Lewis.

> Those attending were her new cousin, Avery with parents, Carol and Josh Mahan, Galyna Holland, Heath and Kristin Matteson, Lannes and Beth Callison, all of De Leon; Laramie, Stephanie, Lander and MaKenna Callison of Comanche; Shane, Kayla, Katlyn and Karena McCoy of Abilene; Kyle, Samantha, Rebecca and Allison Lewis of Granbury; Dora Holland and Harold and Betty Lewis of Desdemona.

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