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Gorman ISD All Sports Banquet

The Gorman ISD All Sports Banquet will be held next Thursday evening at 7:00 p.m. The banquet will be at ZJ's in downtown Gorman. The banquet will honor all sports for the 2006-2007 school year. The program will recognize high school athletes only. Awards and recognition will be given for participants in both boys and girls programs. The program will begin with the Fall Sports and continue thru the Springs Sports. We would like to invite all parents and fans to enjoy a great meal and honor these student athletes and coaches for their accomplishments this school year. We hope to see all our athletic supporters for this event.

BUFFET ---

Southern Fried Catfish
Chicken Tenders
Cream Gravy
French Fries
coleslaw
Rolls and Hushpuppies
Tarter and Red Sauce
Peach Cobblers for Dessert
Tea and Water For the Drink

Cost of Meal --

Adult - \$10.00
Kids - under 10 and under - \$6.00
Athletes and Faculty - \$9

Art Show Scheduled For Monday, May 21



The public is cordially invited to an Art Show at the Fellowship Hall of the Gorman Church of Christ on Monday, May 21 at 6:00PM. According to Monda Oldham, Instructor, the show will feature the works of the class which began in November of last year. Make plans now to attend the show!

Barbara Redman To Wed Thad Collinsworth



Cordelia Redman of Gorman and Robert Redman of Godley, Tx would like to announce the engagement of their daughter, Barbara Belinda Redman to Thad Joshua Collinsworth of Breckenridge. Thad is the son of Sid and Kathy Collinsworth of Breckenridge.

Barbara is the granddaughter of Betty L. Regian of Gorman and the late George S. Regian and the late Mr. and Mrs. T. K. Redman.

Thad is the grandson of C. L. Miller of Moran and the late Dorothy Miller and the late Joshua Collinsworth and the late Rutha Mae Breeder.

Barbara is a graduate of Eastland High School and Tarleton State University with a B.S. in Exercise and Sports Studies. She is employed with Breckenridge I.S.D. Thad is a graduate of Breckenridge High School and McMurry University with a B.S. in Biology. Thad is employed with Incouters in Abilene.

2007 Gorman Panther Baseball Camp

June 4 thru 7 - Monday thru Thursday at Gorman High School Baseball Parks from 9 a.m. to 12 noon. Cost of the camp is \$30.00 per student.

Camp will cover all phases of baseball with individual instruction. We will also have skills and competitions in each age group. Awards given out 11:00 to 12:00 Thursday (parents be there).

Camp is for kids 6 years old to the this year's 8th Grade Boys. Registration is from 8 to 9 a.m.

at Gorman High School Baseball Field on Monday, June 4th.

Camp open to all area baseball players.

HIGH SCHOOL SEMESTER EXAM SCHEDULE

TUESDAY, MAY 22

1ST 8:20-9:12
2ND 9:16-10:08
3RD 10:12-11:04
4TH 11:08-12:00

LUNCH 12:00-12:30

5TH 12:34-1:26
6TH 1:30-2:10
7TH EXAM 2:14-3:23

WEDNESDAY, MAY 23RD

1ST 8:00-9:15
3RD 9:20-10:35
5TH 10:40-11:55

LUNCH 12:00-12:30

DISMISSAL 12:30
BUSSES RUN AT 12:45

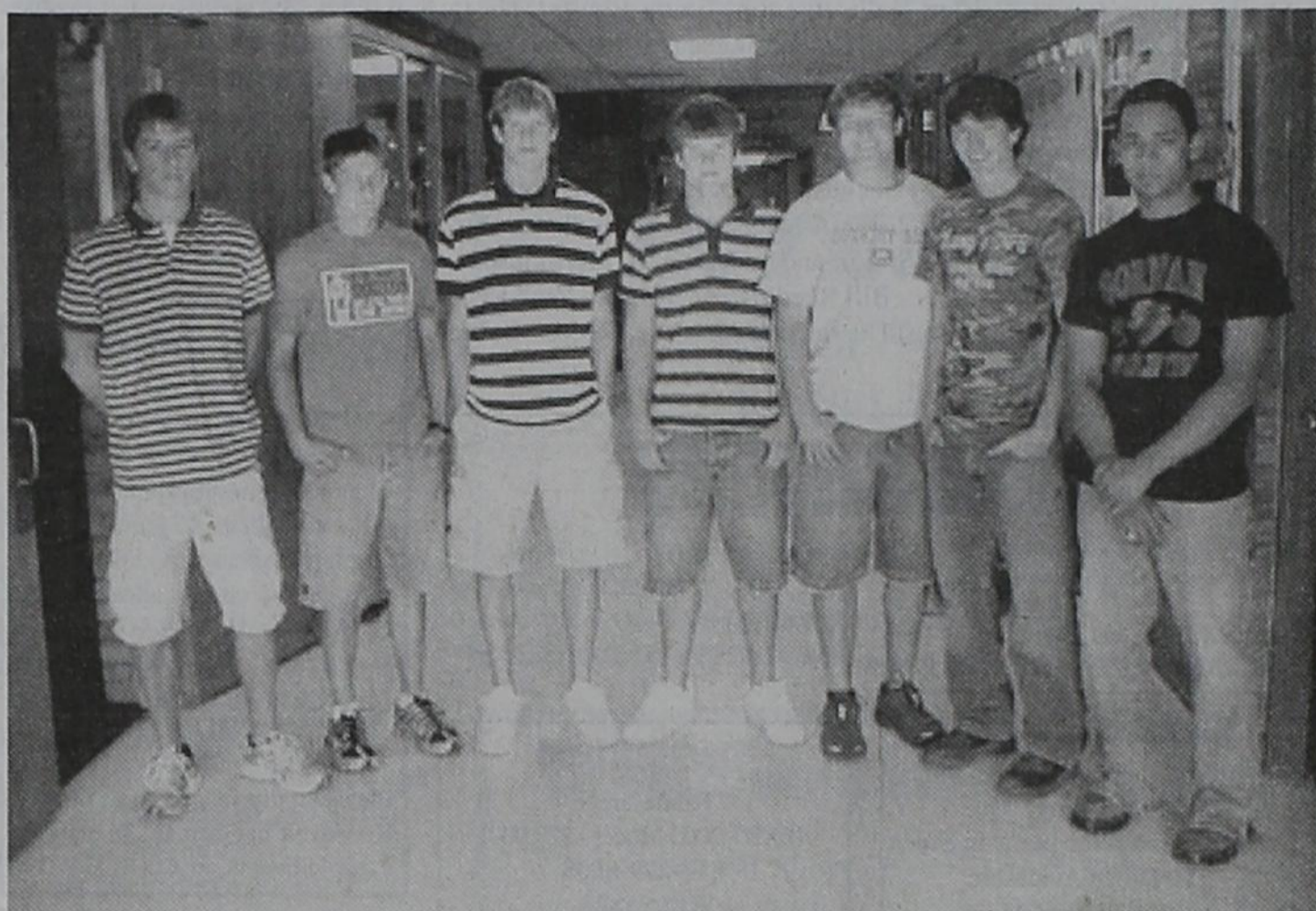
THURSDAY, MAY 24TH

2ND 8:00-9:15
4TH 9:20-10:35
6TH 10:40-11:55

LUNCH 12:00-12:30

DISMISSAL 12:30
BUSSES RUN AT 12:45

Seven Panthers Named To All-District 13-A Baseball Team



District 13-A -- All District Baseball:

Matt Underwood -- Newcomer of the Year
Zack Fox -- First Team All District -- Tyson Swanner - First Team All District
David Ibarra - Second Team All District - Corey Clark - Second Team All District
Aaron Keith -- Brandon Greer -- Honorable Mention All District
Congratulations Guys!!!

Gorman High School Baccalaureate Set Sunday

Sunday, May 20, 2007

7:30 p.m.

Processional
Senior Class / Faculty

Invocation
John Howard, Minister
Abundant Life Church

Memories
Senior Class

Baccalaureate Sermon
Victor Pena, Minister
First United Methodist Church

Benediction
Rick Panter, Principal

Recessional
Senior Class

The Cross Country Band To Perform At Gorman FBC



The Cross Country Band will be appearing at the Gorman First Baptist Church on May 20th at 11 a.m. The Cross Country Band is a 5 piece acoustical gospel group that performs traditional gospel music at various churches across the State. If you like traditional gospel music, you will not want to miss this performance.

CITY OFFICE NEWS AND REMINDERS

ALLIED / BFI would like for this office to remind our residents that the poly carts need to be at the edge of the street, and open back towards your house, please.

Only items in the poly carts will be picked up. If you have more than one poly cart, please place them about 5 feet apart on pick up day. We really appreciate your co-operation during the transition to the one day pick up. If you have experienced any problems with trash pick up, please notify this office @ 734-2317. Please report your problems as soon as you are aware of them.

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If you do not have your house number clearly marked on your house, please make an effort to do so. Put the number on your house close or near the front entrance, or mark it somewhere in the front by the drive entrance, etc. It is essential in the event of an actual emergency to be able to identify your address. Use at least a 4" size number or larger to be easily visible.

Traditional Dances Performed At GHS



On Sunday, May 5, 2007, the Spanish III High School Class of Gorman ISD performed for the Community at the High School auditorium in honor of Cinco de Mayo. The program began with Kaci Seaton welcoming the audience and introducing the performers as well as the songs and dances performed. The Spanish III performance involved a patriotic song, "Como Mexico No Hay Dos" sung by K'ann Howard as well as three traditional dances of Jalisco. The dancers included Kristy Carlton, Nicole Cogburn, Marsela Gonzales, Rosa Herrera, Brenda Olivares, Maria Oronia, Pete Ramirez, Amanda Regian, Reji Sanchez, and Crystal Thackerson. The Spanish III performance was a success and provided opportunity for the class as well as the viewers to extend their knowledge concerning the Spanish culture. A special thanks to Mrs. Debra Sanchez and Mrs. Belinda Segura for making this performance not only possible but successful

Obituary

Lillian Frances Smith Reed

Lillian Frances Smith Reed, age 85, of De Leon, Tx passed away on Saturday, May 12, 2007 at Comanche Co. Medical Center. Services were held Tuesday, May 15th at 2:00 p.m. at Northside Baptist Church in De Leon with Jackie Auvenshine officiating. Music by Vicki Robinett and Chris Pfeiffer. Interment was in Downing Cemetery.

Lillian was a homemaker; foreman at De Leon Peanut Company for many years; resided in De Leon most of her life. She was a member of Northside Baptist Church.

She was born June 2, 1921 at Gatesville, Tx to the late Frank Smith and Lillie Adams Smith. She married O. B. Reed on September 11, 1937 in Comanche.

Survivors include: two sons, Johnny Reed and companion Marge Swanner of De Leon and Billy Reed of Bryan; daughter Patsy Brinson and husband C. A. of Lubbock; sister Ruth Edwards of Gatesville; 8 grandchildren: Patricia Koelling, Billy Wayne Reed, Bradley K. Reed, Tracy Reed, Lisa Pfeiffer, Brent Brinson, Scott Brinson, Sterling Brinson; 18 great-grandchildren Michelle Homes, Amanda Sowell, Bradley Jacob Reed, Ashley Reed, Christopher Reed, Devon Smith, Dawson Brinson, Shelby Smith, Casey Pfeiffer, Kallie Pfeiffer, Emily Pfeiffer, Dustin Brinson, Collin Brinson, Chelsea Brinson, Samantha Brinson, Kailey Caldwell, Haley Caldwell, Lawson Reed Brinson; two great-great-grandchildren, Aidan Holmes and Haley Marie Holmes; and a number of special nieces, nephews and friends.

She was preceded in death by her husband, O. B. Reed on August 21, 1978; parents, John Frank and Lillie Adams Smith; 3 brothers, Dave Smith, Charles Smith and Fred Smith; and one sister, Eva Wilkinson.

Palbearers were: grandsons - Bill Reed, Brent Brinson, Brad Reed, Scott Brinson, Sterling Brinson, Dustin Brinson, B. J. Reed, Michael Koelling and Collin Brinson.

Jamie Smith

EASTLAND - Jamie Smith, of Eastland, died Saturday, May 12, 2007 in Eastland. Memorial services were held at 11 a.m. Wednesday in the Edwards Funeral Home Chapel in Eastland with Rev. Brian Patrick and Donna DeLuca officiating. The family received friends at the funeral home on Wednesday from 10 til 11 a.m. and immediately after the service.



Mrs. Smith was born Jamie Boswell on December 10, 1928 in De Leon to Rodolphus Cleveland and Mary Caroline (St. Clair) Boswell. Her early years were spent in De Leon later moving to Gorman where she finished high school. She attended John Tarleton Agriculture College and graduated from Texas Women's University with a degree in Home Economics. She taught school in Cisco and Desdemona until the arrival of her children when she became a full time mother. Her marriage to James Morgan Smith began on September 5, 1948 at the First Methodist Church in Gorman. They made their home in Eastland where she was active in the First United Methodist Church, serving in several capacities with the United Methodist Women. She served as an officer in the Parent Teachers Organization and the Eastland Centennial Memorial Library. She enjoyed flower gardening and most of all her family.

She is survived by: her husband of 58 years, James M. Smith of Eastland; son and spouse, Russell Smith and Ginger Rodd of Austin; daughters and sons-in-law, Carol and Tom Zolnerowich of Mesquite and Susan and Neil Grosz of Austin; brother, Bobby J. Boswell of Gorman; sisters, Elaine Pogue of Comanche and Mary Kirk of Gorman; grandchildren, Jamie and Vaughn Grosz and Alexander Zolnerowich.

She was preceded in death by a brother Dwight Boswell and a sister Mackey Kearney. She will also be missed by her beloved schnauzer 'Marty'.

Memorials may be made to Eastland Meals on Wheels, envelopes will be made available at the service.

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SALE: Norris Family Sale - 106 CR 505 in Desdemona. Furniture, clothes, and lots of miscellaneous items. Saturday, May 15th from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. ITP.

ESTATE SALE: Attention Dealers and Collectors - A Must See - Family Home with four generations of Antiques and Collectibles. 311 Rogan in Gorman - Saturday and Sunday, May 19 and 20th ITP.

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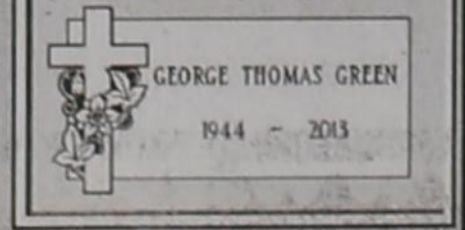
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 - 52 A, w/2,854sf(CAD) 4-3 brick home, carport, 5 water wells, 3 stock tanks, corrals, barns (R01) \$250,000
 - 11 A, w/16'x70' mobile home, well, rural water, oak trees (TC01) \$70,000
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 - 236 ± A, 2 wells, 3 tanks, approx. 26 A in cultivation, costal, native pasture, rolling terrain, minerals available, hunting (DS02) \$2,195 Per Acre
 - 380 ± A, 3 wells, 6 tanks, approx. 100 A crop land, remainder in costal bermuda & tilton 85, good fences & cross fences. minerals available (CW01) \$950,000
 - 250 ± A, 150 wooded, 100 coastal, on Coppereas Creek, lake, stock tanks, hunters cabin, 25hp pit pump, hwy. frontage, rural water (LB01) \$850,000
 - 243 A, Comanche Co, one reservoir, 14 irrigation wells, irrigation pit, highway frontage, cultivation, costal, native pasture (AB01) \$2,500 per acre
 - 158 A, rolling terrain, 2 tanks, well, coastal, native, cover for deer and turkey hunting, all weather roads, minerals, approx. 4 miles from Dublin (CS01) \$395,000
 - 155 ± A, 3 water wells, 3 stock tanks, approx. 90 A cover, rest in native pasture (MC02) \$427,075
 - 150 A, rolling terrain, approx. 90 acres wooded, 4 water wells, irrigation pit, stock tank, excellent deer and turkey hunting. Minerals. (LO01) \$442,500
 - **UNDER CONTRACT -** 40 A, recreational, cattle, or horse, creek running thru, water wells, good fences, hunting deer, turkey, hogs, some fam eq. available, minerals negotiable, possible owner financing. (CSK01) \$350,000
 - 81A pecan orchard, approx. 900 improved variety trees, underground drip irrigation on, 9 wells (R001) \$326,000
 - 60 A, stock tank, approx. 13 A wooded, coastal and hunting. (J001) \$165,000
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Application Process Begins for Second Certification Class in Manufacturing

Abilene, Texas—The West Central Texas Workforce Development Board, in partnership with the Development Corporation of Abilene, the Workforce Center, and Texas State Technical College, are pleased to announce that applications are currently being taken for the next MSSC certification course, which is a newly-developed training program in basic manufacturing. The seven-week curriculum will culminate in the awarding of a certification as a "Manufacturing Production Technician." The nationally-recognized credential is awarded by the Manufacturing Skills Standards Council (MSSC), and having this credential demonstrates competency in basic skills required to enter any type of manufacturing environment in any geographical location. Each trainee must complete a 140-hour course, which will consist of five to six weeks of manufacturing skills training at TSTC and one week of basic employment skills training at the Workforce Center.

Ten local manufacturers, including Bandag, Abtex Beverages, Coca-Cola, Tige Boats, Martin Sprocket & Gear, Fehr Foods, Peerless Manufacturing, Rentech Boiler Services, PWP Industries, and Zoltek, participated in a series of meetings and a survey process during the months of October and November 2006 to determine their interest in hiring workers with the MSSC certification. A significant shortage of entry-level workers and an immediate hiring need of 90-105 additional workers was identified. Targeted manufacturers have voiced their overwhelming support for the MSSC training, and have agreed to participate in a job fair and provide interviews to any job-seeking student who completes the training and certification process.

Funding for the training and the certification assessment fee for each participant will be covered by the Development Corporation of Abilene and the Workforce Development Board. The application and screening process is currently in progress for the second MSSC class, which is scheduled to begin on June 4, 2007. Interested individuals may pick up an application packet at the Workforce Center, 400 Oak Street, in Abilene, or download an application at www.workforcesystem.org. The deadline to submit completed application forms is May 11th. For additional information, contact the Business Services Unit at the Workforce Center at (325) 795-4200.

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NEW: Desdemona, 3-1 frame 2 story built 1872, 2651 sf., 2 car garage, range, ref. washer & dryer, water well, stg. bldg., paved road. App. 1 acre. \$65,000.
Desdemona, nice 3-2 mfg. home, 1549' LA (CAD), open floor plan, fireplace, beautiful fenced 1 acre, water well, stg. bldg., numerous fruit and pecan trees. \$82,500.
NEW: 40 A m/l, south Gorman, pasture, fenced, small cabin, water well, small pond, elec., sandy soil, paved road. \$3,150 acre.
NEW: 49.83 A. west Gorman, large oaks, paved road, building spots, county water/elec. available, fenced, ponds, barn/coral, great hunting, pretty place! \$2,900 Acre
100 A west De Leon FM587, 3 - 1 1/2 - 2 brick, 1444 sq. ft., C/HA, fireplace, carpeted, some remodeling, 3 ponds, 30a crop land, 35a coastal, some native, fenced, 2 steel corrals, 2 wells, shop building. Nice setup. Mineral Rights \$295,000.00
160 A m/l east Gorman on FM2921: 65 a m/l coastal, 75 a m/l wooded, water well, pond, steel coral, indications show lots deer, turkey and hogs, mineral rights. \$2,900.00 \$2,800.00 A.
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KOKOMO NEWS

BY ZELDA JORDAN

Mothers Honored

All the mothers were honored at the Kokomo Baptist Church on Sunday morning, May 13. Special recognition was given to the Oldest Mother, Aline Garrett of Gorman, the Youngest Mother, Jill Little of Kokomo, the Mother with the most children present with her, Sheri Daniell of Abilene and the Mother who traveled the farthest to be in the service, Carole Little of Midland. All were presented a corsage. It was good the have Nancy Hendricks able to be with us to present the corsages as she has done every year since 1952. Nancy was assisted by her daughter, Sylvia Buchanan.

Woodrow and Helen Browning presented the special music, "In The Garden" with Daryl Hirst at the piano.

Bro. Jim Haggard preached a wonderful sermon from Matthew 15:22-28 on Mothers and their responsibility to train up their children in the right way. Godly Mothers influence their children. Children are impressed by their parents. Mothers have much to contend with in today's world. Parents should turn all problems over to God. Jesus is a miracle worker and he can work miracles in our lives and the lives of our children and grandchildren.

There were many Mother's Day visitors. We hope you received a blessing and will come again soon. Visitors are always welcome at Kokomo.

The special music on Sunday evening was rendered by Joe Bond, Jimmy Little, Woodrow Browning, Bobbi Haggard and Ruth Rodgers with Helen Browning at the piano.

CONGRATULATIONS TO AMANDA PORTER

The Board of Regents, Administration and Faculty of the University of Texas at Austin announce the completion of Degree requirements and the awarding of a Bachelor of Science Degree in Communication Studies and a Master of Arts Degree in Organizational Communications to graduate, Amanda Jean Porter.

Amanda is the daughter of Judy Porter of Austin and the late David Porter. She is the granddaughter of Roma Hood of Gorman and Oren and Norma Webb of Kokomo. Amanda will be attending the University of Colorado to further her education.

We extend congratulations to Amanda.

Betty Little and Karen Patterson visited with Karen's grandson, Will Patterson in the Cook Children's Hospital in Fort Worth on Saturday. Will recently underwent an emergency appendectomy. We wish him a speedy recovery.

Betty and Karen also visited with Nelda Fails in Arlington.

Doug and Carole Little of Midland visited during the Mother's Day weekend with his mother, Betty Little.

Gary, Rebecca, Emily and Lance Browning of Graham spent Friday night and Saturday with Woodrow and Helen Browning.

Shannon, Stephanie, Raegan, Sydnie and Joey Bond of Copperas Cove and Brian Bond of Dallas visited with their dad, Joe Bond, during the weekend.

Those visiting with Nancy Hendricks during the past week were Daisy Slaton, Zelda Jordan, Joe Bond, Shannon, Stephanie, Raegan, Sydnie and Joey Bond of Copperas Cove and Sylvia Buchanan.

Jimmy and Verna Lee Little, Ray Neal and Melissa Little and Kourtney Peacock, and James, Jill, Ashley and Breckley Little enjoyed supper at Mary's in Strawn on Saturday night as an early Mother's Day treat.

Jimmy and Verna Lee Little visited in Gorman on Sunday afternoon with Ima Boles and her son and daughter-in-law, Bill and Lois Ann Boles of Granbury.

Gene and Kay Snider enjoyed a picnic at the Stephenville Park on Sunday with Dale, Kathy, Scott and Matt Collum of Huckabay and Bill and Helen Collum of Desdemona.

Those spending Mother's Day with Troy Scitem at her home were Laverne and Tommy Carr of Lake Whitney, Mickey Carr of Dallas, Johnny and JoAnn Scitem, Kris Scitem, and Keri, Nicholas, Kelsey and Nashton Guthery of Gorman.

Renee Webb of Comanche visited on Sunday with Oren and Norma Webb.

Dwayne and Connie Snider of Stephenville and Lisa Snider of Lorton, Va. visited with LaVon Snider on Saturday. Justin Snider of Gorman also visited with LaVon.

LaVon Snider visited with Gene and Kay Snider.

Glenda Black, Wade, Sheri, Ryan, Kody and Emily Daniell of Abilene visited with Zelda Jordan on Mother's Day, and they enjoyed lunch at ZJ's in Gorman. They also enjoyed a telephone visit with Joe Miles of Austin.

Cassie Brasher of Carbon visited with Zelda on Saturday, and Norma Webb visited with her on Monday.

David Rodgers of Georgetown visited during the weekend with his parents, Ed and Ruth Rodgers, and his sister, Dianna Dorris.

Ed and Ruth Rodgers attended the Senior Adult Day at the Big Country Baptist Assembly at Lueders on Tuesday, May 8.

Another thunderstorm came through the community on Sunday afternoon with heavy rain and small hail. The amount of rain varied from one half inch at my place to one inch at Betty Little's and two inches at the Larry Strube home with a little pea to marble size hail at the Little home, and pea to marble size hail that covered the ground at the Strube home.

May the Lord bless everyone with a wonderful week.

Eastland Co. Dispatch Tower Struck By Lightning

As reported two weeks ago, the Eastland County Dispatch tower and building was struck by lightning which resulted in the destruction of many of the electrical and electronic components. I am glad to report that last week, the Dispatch was once again fully operational with major repairs or replacements having been made to the electrical, computer, and telephone systems. This rapid repair was made possible through the tireless efforts of Stephen Watson, Dispatch Administrator, Philip Arther, Eastland Fire Chief and many others county-wide that assisted to get the Dispatch back in order. The 911 system took a direct and massive power surge, but through the redundant system, all calls were routed to Eastland Fire Department. The main computer consoles where the dispatchers are stationed were completely destroyed from the lightning strike. Many other parts of the infrastructure were also damaged beyond repair. However, the good news is that the Mobile Command unit was available and actually become Dispatch for just over a week. The dispatchers were able to use the Mobile Command unit in a similar manner as to the actual Dispatch office. The Mobile Command unit was about 95% fully operational when Dispatch was struck. The lightning strike gave the immediate impetus to finalize the unit and it was put into full service. As of today, Eastland County Dispatch is back in operation at the office and we now have several upgrades to the systems. The dispatchers that I have talked to say that they are glad to be back "home." I want to thank everyone that worked day and night to repair this disaster. Our county is blessed to have many people that are willing to go above and beyond their job to get a bad situation corrected.

Sincerely,
Rex Fields
Eastland County Judge

Happenings At First Baptist Church

A lot of people enjoyed the Sunday morning service. We had visitors coming to see Moms. Had to bring in chairs to seat everyone. Those honored were: Irene West, oldest Mom; Jana Hughes, youngest Mom; Faye Huff, most children; and Jill Torrez, youngest child. All Mothers received pink carnations. The Messengers sang two songs, "Mother Prayer" and "I'll See You Again". They are just great!

Bro. Barry's sermon was "Way to Go Mom!" John 10:27-30 The Love Of Mom and The Love of God: is a personal kind of love, and is a giving kind of love. Matt 7:9-11. They very nature of God and Moms is to give. Love never gets tired, and Never Quits. Moms love their "Babies". They love those how don't deserve it. Bro. Barry told a story when he was young, was under the bed with his BB gun and accidentally shot his mother in the leg! She really came after him!

Hooray for our Moms! Hooray for our God! Happy Mothers Day.

May 16 -- Ministerial Alliance also Church Conference - 6:30 p.m.; May 19 -- Brotherhood Breakfast - 8 a.m.; May 20 -- Baccalaureate - 7:30 p.m. Next Sunday Morning we have a concert by Cross Country Band from the Austin area. We still need help in Vocational Bible School -- Call Tracy or church office. Also coming up are church camps, and we still need a few sponsors.

Pig Tales From Hogtown

Oink, oink -- everyone remember to come and help us support our Desdemona Volunteer Fire Department this Saturday evening, May 19 at the DAC. If we keep the volunteer fire departments strong in each of the towns in the area, it pays off when we have a bad fire year like last year. The cooperation between the towns is terrific and very necessary in those situations. Please take part in these benefits whenever and wherever they are held.

Monty Williams will be cooking fish, which is always wonderful. The ladies of the community will be making delicious desserts. We have gathered up some great items for the auction. Ray Shipp will be our auctioneer and he is always fun to listen to! So please join us at the Desdemona Activity Center at 5:30 P.M. for guaranteed good food and good fun. See you there!

Carol Pell

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Carbon Golden Exes Reunion Needs More Addresses

The mailing list for the 2007 Carbon Golden Exes Reunion is being readied and some addresses are not available for the mailout. If anyone knows the addresses for any of the following names please contact Reba Reeves, phone number 817-738-8393, email at rebareeves@sbcglobal.net or Edna Powell at 254-734-3135 or email at smoke@cctc.net. If you can help us with any of these addresses, we wish to thank you. We have been notified about some of the names but the following names are still unavailable:

Hazel Weaver Cates -- ergie Gregg -- Joe Carr Lee

Gorman High School Graduation & Banquet schedule for 2007

Athletic awards: Thursday, May 17 at 7:00p.m. at ZJ's
Baccalaureate exercise: Sunday, May 20th at 7:30p.m. in auditorium
8th grade graduation: Thursday, May 24th at 7:30p.m. in auditorium
High School graduation: Friday, May 25th at 7:30p.m. at Brogdon Field
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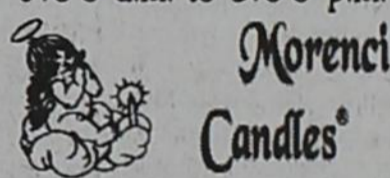
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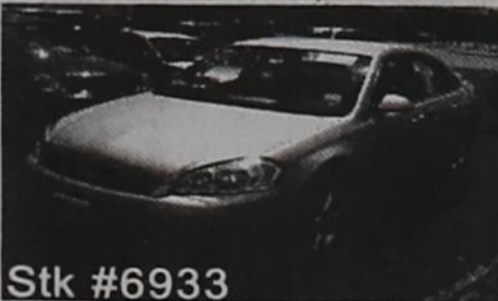


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Senior Citizens News

Carol Ward

We gathered on May 9th for our weekly dinner. We came to order at 11:30 with a few announcements. Geraldene Wright told of her sister-in-law who has fallen ill. A card was signed by all to Nell Brown and sent. There were 21 present. Our numbers have fallen with so many out ill or recuperating. Zelda Jordan gave the blessing, as only she can.

We really miss Bob Gibson. He was so faithful to be here and prepare his dish. He always brought our ice every Wed. Betty Regian and Ailene Garrett now bring the ice for our use. I sure do appreciate all their help. I heard that Bob is in the Comanche Nursing Home. It is one of the best homes in the area. He will be near his daughter Paula there.

We really miss Annie Fay Foster, especially ringing the bell to call us to order. She is home recuperating and I hope gaining her strength. I was also glad to hear Irene West is improving. She is now walking around the hotel and gaining strength.

So good to know Billie Bennett is home and feeling better. We miss you, especially those good, different dishes you bring us on Wednesday. Hope to see you back soon.

They had a good crowd on game night, May 10, with 14 present. What started out as snacks, is now supper, as they start play at 5 every Thursday. I've had to miss here lately, but hope to return soon.

Hope all is well and that we will have a better turnout at our next meal.

Trial by Self: Shooting Approaches - Filmmaker Thanks Gorman Residents as Actors Anticipate the Shoot

As June approaches, Brandon Powell is finally finished casting and confirming locations for the film he plans to shoot here in Gorman this June and July. "It was easier than I thought it would be. Mostly because of all the great people who helped me along the way. It makes me think I made the right choice shooting in such a friendly town." The filmmaker offers thanks to the following people for their assistance:

- * The Gorman City Counsel
- * The City Office
- * The Gorman School Board
- * The Gorman School Board
- * Heritage Manor of Gorman
- * Mr. and Mrs. Alan Gibbs
- * George Simmons
- * Donald Holder
- * Bob and Deann Powell
- * Everyone else who has helped with the production in any way.

"So many people have helped in all kinds of ways and I just want to thank all of them and let them know how grateful I am to them," Brandon said. The filmmaker says that the residents of Gorman have made preproduction of his movie a pleasant one. "I am excited about shooting the movie here," he says.

The cast of "Trial by Self" are also excited about the shoot. Actress, Jessica Guess is flying in from California to shoot the movie but feels that she will enjoy the small town atmosphere. "As a proud Texan, I am excited to be filming at home this summer- especially because one of my goals has been to work on a thriller in a dramatic role!! Playing the role of Jamie in "Trial by Self" is a great opportunity to get my feet wet as an actress and I really look forward to meeting and working with the cast and crew!" Guess, a talented dancer, has been privileged to be involved in special performances for Steven Spielberg, Clint Eastwood, Pierce Brosnan, Catherine Zeta Jones, Michael Douglas and many more. She recently made a short film entitled "HIV Blues" and has danced with Terry Beeman in his productions of "Bound" and "The Closing"-possibly set to perform in New York next year. Bitten by the acting bug as well, she has begun her training and is looking forward to her first feature length film this summer.

Guess isn't the only actress flying in to shoot the movie. Michelle Lamelza, who is from South Carolina and has managed to land bit parts in movies such as Twentieth Century Fox's Die Hard 4: Live Free or Die Hard and television's One Tree Hill is also flying down to shoot the movie. She said she made the decision to join the production after reading the script. "After reading the script, I thought, 'Wow, this is amazing. The characters are so sick and twisted but in such a realistic way. I loved it! Some of the scenes sparked emotions that I haven't expressed in a long while."

Lauren Doxey, who is flying in from Utah was sold after reading the script also. "Brandon has an incredible vision for this movie. I can't wait to work on it. I think that because of the message, this movie can have an incredible impact on people. I am so incredibly blessed to be able to be in this amazing movie."

Most of the actors in the movie are native to the area. James Houser is a research scientist at Tarleton State University and has been acting primarily in community theatre for over 30 years. He was also the writer and director as well as actor in an award winning local cable production entitled Surreal Street. "Trial by Self" appears to be a [thriller] with a brain... I suspect the audience will still be talking about what it all meant days after seeing it."

Several of the actors are actually from Brownwood. Amanda Branham, for instance, is no stranger to acting but looks forward to shooting a movie. "My experience thus far has predominately been in the realm of theatre which focuses on instant entertainment of an audience. I am looking forward to the opportunity of capturing on film something that both moves and impacts its viewers." Jack Reynolds on the other hand is new to acting. "It's a little intimidating, but also very exciting. I can't wait for shooting to begin this summer. I know this is a bit cliché, but for me, this is a fulfillment of a lifelong dream." Catherine Angle auditioned "just for fun" and was surprised to be called back. "With such a great script, this movie can't help but be a hit. I look forward to it with great anticipation."

A few of the actors, like Nicole McKenzie do have quite a drive to make. Nicole works as a recurring extra on the television series, Prison Break and has also had a small part in Lifetime series, Inspector Mom. Nicole says that the small town life will probably be different than what she is used to but eagerly looks forward to the experience. "I am very excited to start work on 'Trial by Self'! Getting this part is really a dream come true for me. I can't wait to start filming this summer. I believe that this movie will impact many people..." Nicole's father, Robert McKenzie also has a small role in the movie.

Kevin Crank who is from the Dallas area has not only appeared in Prison Break but also had a role in the upcoming Danny Leiner film, Gary the Tennis Coach with Sean William Scott and The Significant Other. "I am truly honored to be part of an exceptionally talented cast for the film Trial by Self. The film's script is exciting and I can't wait to work with Brandon. I'm very impressed with his vision and I expect great things from this up and coming writer/director."

Brandon is also pleased that one of the actors in the movie has relatives in Gorman. Shaiden Justice of Stephenville has a small role as well. She is the granddaughter of Tacy Warren.

Brandon said he is currently in contact with the musician, Bob Schneider who has agreed to pen yet another song for the movie. "He is a busy man. I am not sure what will happen there. I am hoping for the best but so far he hasn't started on it."

For more information on the production, or if you are interested in helping in any way contact Brandon Powell at newdionysuspictures@hotmail.com or Jolie Mayfield (the A.D.) at jm_newdionysus@hotmail.com.

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Heritage Manor News

By Ina Smith

There was lots of excitement around here last Thursday as Imogene Norris finished making her first pen. Dannis was here and showed all of us how to finish our pens. Everyone has sanded and sanded and now everyone is anxious to finish their pens and this Thursday we have several that are ready to put the finishing touch on their pens. As we get that piece of wood smaller and smaller we get more excited. This has been such a fun project that no one is ready to stop and always ready at the drop of a hat to "sand". If you don't have anything to do on Thursday mornings come up and join us. We are all counting up how many pens we need to make for our kids, grandkids, friends, so we will be making pens for a long time.

NATIONAL NURSING HOME WEEK IS MAY 13-19 we would like to invite everyone to come and join us as we celebrate "Treasure our Elders". On Friday May 11 at 2:30,

We will host a "Treasure our Mothers" tea in honor of Mother's day please come and join us. On May 17th we will be cooking hamburgers out side and will have homemade ice cream. We would like to ask everyone to please come and join us.

Visiting with Lottie Morris were James Morris of Levelland, Woodrow and Helen Browning, and Louise Smart.

Carolyn and Floydene Gilbert visited with Eunice Love, Jelma Smith, and Lottie Morris.

Visiting Lavona Sharp was Jerry Majors, Johnny Smith came and took his mom, Jelma Smith to his house over the week end to visit with Donald Smith of Granbury, Cody Wyatt, of Gordon, and David and Connie Smith of Joshua.

Visiting with Troy Scitem were LaVerne Carr of Whitney and Karen Guthery.

Visiting Imogene Norris were Wynett Maynard and Cleo Duncan and James Norris of Eastland, Paula Morrow of Plains, and Jeanna Pack of Carbon. Paula took Imogene to Carbon on Friday night for the fish fry.

Becky Moore of DeLeon visited with her mom, Mildred Addy. Steve and Linda Estes of Singer and Freddie Rodgers visited with Don Estes. Bill Boles of Granbury visited his Mom, Ima Boles. Visiting Jewel Snider were Bobby and Peggy Ingram and Bill and Maudie Moll of Cisco.

DON'T FORGET!! FREE LUNCH AT HERITAGE MANOR ON MAY 17th. HAMBURGERS AND HOMEMADE ICE CREAM.

Until next time.....Ina



Desdemona News

By Vonnie Guthery

A large crowd attended the Senior Citizens Dance last Saturday night at the Desdemona Community Center School Gym. James Roberson, The Fiddler and The Unknown Band provided the music for this dance. The next dance will be held on Saturday, June 9th at the same place and same time.

In last weeks news, The Gorman Progress put Shorty's age as 94 it should have been 84. Sorry about that.

Robert and Ima Brown spent Mother's Day in Fort Worth visiting with their son, Robert Alton and Jana Brown and children, Preston and Julie. Also the visit was to celebrate Preston's 18th Birthday.

Avie Taylor of De Leon is in the Abilene Hendricks Hospital at this time recovering from a recent heart attack. Jean Cearly of Fort Worth is staying with her Mother each day. Visitors during the past week with Avie were Pug and Vonnie Guthery and Bernard Keith all of Desdemona and Roy LeMaster of De Leon.

Jeff Roberts of Dallas visited last Sunday in Desdemona with friends and he attended the morning service at First Baptist Church.

Virgil Holdman, Jr. of Fredricksburg visited Mother's Day weekend with his parents, Virgil and Jo Holdman. Jo is recovering very good from recent surgery.

Estelle Lindley hosted the Ladies Social in her home last Monday morning. Twenty four ladies attended to enjoy the good food and fellowship. Estelle is a "great" Hostess.

I know everyone is enjoying the wonderful rain that our area has received during the past few weeks. Even tho we have to keep our lawn mowers going nearly every day to keep our yards looking good -- it is worth all the extra work just to have the good moisture.

Virgil Holdman and Albert Holdman spent the past weekend in Lubbock with their brother, Larry Holdman who is recovering from emergency heart by-pass surgery.

Please contact this reporter with your weekly news. Your help will be appreciated.

Visitors on Mother's Day with "Humpy" and Betty Duke were their children, Rodney Duke of Pantego; Rhonda (Duke) James and daughter, Emily of Whitney; Scott and Risa (Duke) Ashley and son, Brandon of Midlothian; Russell Duke and daughters, Elise and Katie of Stephenville; Rusty and Samantha Duke of Desdemona. Betty reported a wonderful Mother's Day visiting with everyone.

Pug and Vonnie Guthery enjoyed Mother's Day visiting with all the family, John and Karen Fair and Lorin; Belinda Webb; Holly Guthery and daughter, Jade; Roy and Angela Powledge and children, Colin, Kaley and Lane; Kandice Cogburn and son Dylan all of Desdemona.

Victor Cemetery Association will have the Annual Meeting on Saturday, May 26. Bring a basket lunch to spread at noon and enjoy the day visiting with family and friends. A short business meeting will be held prior to lunch.

Thought for today -- "The best and most beautiful things in the world can't be seen or even touched -- they must be felt with the heart."

Have a Nice Day, Vonnie

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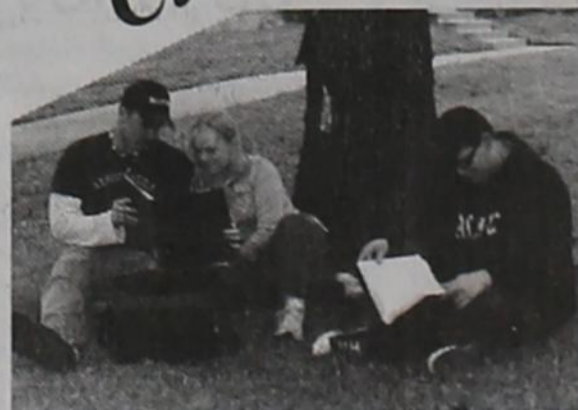
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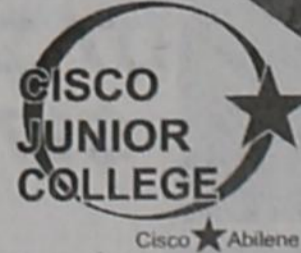
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