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Samantha Stephens and Valerie Longoria Named Miss and Little Miss Gorman In Ceremony Held Saturday At GHS Auditorium



LITTLE MISS GORMAN VALERIE LONGORIA
Escorted by Matt Underwood



FIRST RUNNER UP - MARIAH HETRICK
Escorted by Nathan Ritter



SECOND RUNNER UP - AUDRY JOHNSTON
Escorted by Ben Wilcoxson



THIRD RUNNER UP - DEZIRA MURPHY
Escorted by Charlie Harmon

Samantha Stephens 16 year old daughter of Rodney and Linda Stephens was crowned Miss Gorman at the Pageant Saturday night.

Her escort for the evening was her brother, John Mart Stephens. She was sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce.

The reigning Miss Gorman, Allison Treadway did the honor of Crowning the new Miss Gorman; Samantha was presented a bouquet of roses.

Samantha will reign for one year and will represent Gorman in Area parades and special events.

MINDY LAMINACK 1ST RUNNER UP - Mindy Laminack, 15 year old daughter of Revis and Becky Laminack was named First Runner Up in the Miss Gorman Contest.

Her escort for the evening was Dusty Farrow. Gorman Lions Club sponsored Mindy in the contest.

JENNY GOODE 2ND RUNNER UP - Jenny Goode, 17 year old daughter of Gregg and Cathy Goode was named 2nd runner up in the Miss Gorman Contest.

Jenny's escort for the evening was Jason Posey. She was sponsored by the Gorman Volunteer Fire Department.

The Chamber of Commerce sponsors the Miss Gorman and Little Miss Gorman Contest fund raisers each year and this year event exceeded all other contests.

The month long contest raised a total of \$8,701.53 with the Little Miss raising \$843.34. included in the total.

Valerie Longoria named Little Miss Gorman - Valerie Anette Longoria 5 year old daughter of Frank and Graciela Longoria was named Little Miss Gorman at the pageant Saturday night in the high school auditorium. Her grand parents are Gregoria Landa of Gorman and Genovia Longoria of Kress, Texas.

She was escorted by the reigning Little Miss Reba Granado. She was escorted by Matt Underwood and sponsored by the Gorman Volunteer Fire Department.

MARIAH HETRICK 1ST RUNNER UP - Mariah Hetrick 4 1/2 year old daughter of Sheila Hetrick and grand daughter of William and Pam Hetrick was named 1st runner up in the Little Miss Gorman Pageant Saturday night.

Her escort was Nathan Ritter and she was sponsored by Foster Floral.

AUDRY JOHNSTON 2ND RUNNER UP - Audry De Lyn Johnston 5 year old daughter of Randy and Amy Johnston was named 2nd runner up in the Little Miss Gorman Pageant Saturday night.

She was escorted by Ben Wilcoxson. She was sponsored by the Gorman Progress.

DEZIRA MURPHY 3RD RUNNER UP - Dezira Murphy, 5 year old daughter of Eddie and Gloria Murphy was named 3rd runner up in the Little Miss Pageant Saturday night.

Her escort was Charlie Harmon. She was sponsored by the Gorman Lions Club.

All contestants in the Miss Gorman and Little Miss Gorman contest were presented trophies.

Gene Foster served as Master of Ceremonies - Joe Bennett assisted the Little Miss Contestants to the stage.



MISS GORMAN - SAMATHA STEPHENS
Escorted by John Mart Stephens



FIRST RUNNER UP - MINDY LAMINACK
Escorted by Dusty Farrow



SECOND RUNNER UP - JENNY GOODE
Escorted by Jason Posey

1st Annual Mainstreet 4th of July Family Celebration

Spend the day in celebration of your country's Independence on Mainstreet and the Mainstreet Park with your family and friends. There will be something for everyone in the family. Games - Food - Music - Homemade Ice Cream "Crank Off" - Face Painting - Surprise - Surprise.

Schedule of Events: 2:00 - Children's Parade; 2:30 - Opening Ceremony; 3:00 - Children's Choir and Games Begin; 3:30 - Ice Cream Crank-Off; 4:30 Vicky Campbell; 5:00 - Larry Campbell and Family; 6:00 - Carol Ables; 6:30 - Cowboy Poet - Tommy Seay; 7:00 - Corn Grinders Band from Lipan.

CHILDREN'S PARADE 4TH

There will be a Children's Parade on Thursday, July 4th in connection with the July 4th Celebration to be held in Gorman.

Children wishing to participate in the parade are asked to gather at the Inspection Building at 1:30 p.m. Please dress in patriotic Colors if possible, but not required.

The full Parade is scheduled to start at 2 p.m.

If you need any other information on the Children's Parade call Karen Guthery at 734-2575 or 734-3388.

Shinoaks Opera House To Open Soon

The Old Higginbotham Warehouse is being renovated and will open soon as Shinoaks Opera House. On September 7, 1996, we plan the Grand Opening. We will feature an original play, written by Vicki Campbell, titled, "Dixie's Diner". The play will be directed by Vicki Campbell and Kathy Hagood. Open Auditions will be held. Look for Notices in the Gorman Progress.

If anyone has any time, Old Vintage Clothing, Wigs, or Money to donate please contact: Cliffa Vaughn, Vicki Campbell or Kathy Hagood.

Four Panthers Named To All State Teams

There were four Gorman Panther Baseball Players named to the Class A All-State Teams. The Panthers advanced to the Class A Semifinals this season.

Named as a pitcher on the All-State Team was Nicholas Guthery, a senior at Gorman High.

Ronald Majors and Donald Majors, seniors at GHS, were named as infielders.

Jason Johnson, also a senior at GHS, was named as an outfielder.

These players have been outstanding performers for GHS all through high school in all sports.

Our congratulations to these fine young people.

KEEPING UP WITH FRIENDS

David and Wanda Goodin of Lubbock were in Gorman last Thursday to get Bertha Gregor for the 24th Mehafey family reunion in Slado. They returned on Sunday.

CARD OF THANKS

I want to express my sincere appreciation to all the folks for the cards, calls, and words during the time of the death of Sibe Poynor. Also for the prayers offered in his behalf.

Everyone has been great to the family and it is greatly appreciated.

May God bless you all.

Era Maupin

DESDEMONA NEWS

VONNIE GUTHERY - PHONE 758-2665

Our Sincere sympathy goes out to the family of W.E. "Buck" Read, 93, of Ranger who was buried on Sunday, June 23, in the Alameda Cemetery. Survivors include three daughters, Mary Joyce Quinn and La Freida Hammond both of Ranger; Regena Cooper of Whitewright. Preceded in death by his wife, Mable Huddleston Read. The Read family are former residents of Desdemona where Mary Joyce was in the Class of 1943, La Freida graduated with the Class of 1945 and Regena graduated with the Class of 1949.

Kevin and Ulenda Weaver, Heath Ashley Weaver all of Fort Worth attended a family reunion at Lake Proctor and visited with Dorothy Roberts over the weekend.

"Congratulations" to Gerald Lewis and Shanna Holland who were married on Saturday, June 22 at the Northside

Baptist Church in De Leon. Gerald is the son of Harold and Betty Lewis of Desdemona. Shanna is the daughter of Clifford and Glyna Holland of De Leon. After a short wedding trip the couple will live in the Jakehamon Community.

Mattie (Keith) Newton of De Leon was honored with a reception to celebrate her 90th birthday on Sunday, June 23 at the F & M Bank hospitality room in De Leon. Pug and Vonnie Guthery of Desdemona attended this reception. Mattie is the daughter of the late Major and Emma (Sadberry) Keith.

Remember Saturday, August 10 is the date for the Annual Desdemona Homecoming and School Reunion. If you have a change of address or know addresses of your classmates - please contact this reporter at P.O. Box 187, Desdemona, Texas 76445. Your help

CARBON NEWS

Church attendance was down Sunday at the Baptist Church. It seems most everyone is taking vacation or havin re-unions.

Visitors at Church Sunday evening were Shawn Poe of Hico, and Laurin Poe of Terrell. They are spending the week with their grandparents Bro. Jim and Ann Poe.

The Foy family reunion was held at Camp Inspiration in Eastland over the weekend one hundred and thirty registered Bro. Jim and Ann (Foy) Poe were hostess.

Dwayne and Angie Clower of Pioneer, Keith and Gayle Clower, of Carbon. Wendy Forbus and family of Stephenville met at the Truman Bryants.

Doug and Sandra Bryant and Hannah of Many La. recently visited the Bryants.

Billie Stacy and Ima Brown were in Abilene last Monday to be with their sister, Berniece Rodgers, in Abilene Regional Hospital, who is very sick at this time. She was brought back to the Heritage Manor last Wednesday in

will be appreciated.

First Baptist Church of Desdemona will have Vacation Bible School starting July 21 thru July 26. Make plans for your children to attend.

Gorman. John and La Tonne Rodgers were in Abilene several days also, with his mother.

Ruth Knowles and R Lee McDaniel enjoyed a trip to Ft. Worth Saturday with the Super Seniors of Eastland they went to the zoo and attended the musical, "Crazy for You" in the afternoon.

Visiting with Dorothy Light over the weekend were her daughter Valeria Duckwerth and granddaughter Danielle and a friend of Ennis. They, attended the Fandangle at Albany Saturday evening.

A baby shower was given last Saturday for Sylvia Gosnell at the fellowship ahl of the Baptist Church. She received many nice and useful gifts.

The Farmers are really busy getting their peanuts planted and cutting and baling hay. We have been having beautiful weather, if it is hot. We are so thankful that we got the wonderful rain.

The widow ladies luncheon met last week with Billie Stacy and will meet this week with Elizabeth Sandlin. We celebrated our fifth year last week.

Thursday, Euell, Jenoise Allisn and Nathan Lowrie went to Granbury to see "Me and My Girl" at the Granbury Opera House. A granddaughter Adri-

enne Allison, is among the many college student that are appearing in the productions at the Opera House this summer. "South Pacific" will be showing in July and "Oklahoma" in August. Alvie, Linda, David Allison, & Kimera Lowrie also were there Thursday for the Matinee.

Adrienne, a senior student from Quacheta University in Arkansas, has also played Louise in The Fantasticks and appeared in Seven Brides for Seven Brothers and The Music Man. She is a music major and plays the piano and violin.

Kimera returned home with her grandparents. On the way they stopped

in Stephenville to visit with Floyd Couch, an uncle who will celebrate his 100th Birthday July 4th.

NEWS

Recent guests of Ruth Higginbottom were her son, Ted Higginbottom of Seminole and an assistant, Bill Cox of Hobbs, New Mexico.

Ruth Higginbottom recently spent a week in Seminole with Ted, Tracy, and grand children, Amanda, Andrea Higginbottom, and Chelsea and Brittni Goldston. They saw the movie, "Twister" in Odessa, visited in Hobbs, N.M. and Andrews Gynmastic Center.

KOKOMO NEWS

ZELDA JORDAN -- PHONE 639-2289

Attendance was low on Sunday at the Kokomo Baptist Church due to vacations, family reunions, and the illness of some of the church members.

Jimmy Little directed the music, with Norma Webb at the piano. "Happy Birthday" was sung to Leona Wilson who had a birthday on Saturday. Visitors were Jerald McClearan of Gorman, Modess Burgess of Gorman, Karen Patterson of Breckenridge and Dianne Morgan of Friona.

Jimmy Little directed the music at the evening service, with Wynelle Brown at the piano and Glynda Bond at the organ. Jimmy Little and Wynelle Brown rendered the special music.

Rev. Jim Gillespie of Stephenville will be the speaker at the morning service at the Kokomo Baptist Church on Sunday, June 30, as Bro. Clarence and Leona Wilson will be attending a family reunion.

The FIFTH SUNDAY NIGHT SINGING will be held at the KOKOMO BAPTIST CHURCH on Sunday June 30, beginning at 6:00 p.m. Other churches will participate and the public is invited to attend. Refreshments will be served following the singing.

Dianne Morgan of Friona visited with her mother, Mrs. Anna Laura Clearman and they attended a family reunion at Coleman on Saturday.

Delmon and Joyce Eaves spent Sunday June 16, in Ennis with Randy and Deliah Lewis, Christopher and Jonathan and attended the baptismal service for Christopher. Mark and Margaret Eaves and Preston of Mansfield met them in Ennis for lunch.

Jacob and Kaci Webb of Comanche visited one day last week with their grandparents, Oren and Norma Webb.

Charles Little was able to return to his home on Monday after about ten days in the Abilene Regional Hospital. We wish Charles a speedy recovery.

Bob and Mary Jane Little took their grandchildren, Andrew, Jonathan Michael and Lauren Barfield to their home in Tyler on Friday following their visit here with the grandparents, and visited with Arleen and Terry

Barfield. (My apology to the Barfield family for listing their name as Barfoot in last weeks column.)

Visitors with Vernon and Deon Fields and Lindell during the past week were June and Gladene Cates of Big Spring, Harvey Winn, Bud Winn, Joe and Falyn Fields all of Carbon.

Jonell and Charlie Torrez of Gorman, Hope Joiner and Ruth Bryant visited with Nancy Hendricks.

Hazel Snider and La Von Snider attended the birthday party for Lisa Snider in the home of her parents, Dwayne and Connie Snider in Stephenville on Sunday June 16th.

Hazel Snider, Susan Wheat and girls of Ranger and Toby Snider had lunch with Ted Snider on Tuesday. On Wednesday, Ted came and helped his mother, Hazel Snider fix corn for the freezer and had lunch with her. Justin Snider had lunch with Mrs. Snider on Thursday.

Hazel Snider visited with Ava Rodgers and Berniece Rodgers on Thursday afternoon.

On Friday McKinsey and Caitlin Wheat of Ranger visited with their great-grandmother, Hazel Snider. Kathy, Dale, Scott and Matt Collum of Huck-

abady had supper with Mrs. Snider and La Von on Friday night. Scott had spent Thursday night in Brownwood with his great aunt La Von, and his parents came to pick him up on Friday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Ross visited with Hazel and La Von on Saturday morning.

Visitors with Zelda Jordan, Glenda Priest of Abilene, Joe, Jesame and Justin Miles of Austin on Tuesday in the Jordan home were Clifford and Lurline Nelson, of Carbon, Jimmy and Maggie Nelson of Bowie, Teresa and Quinton Findley of Tucson, AZ., Danny and Chrystal Wood of Lewisville, Gerardo Satow of Hermosillo, Mexico. Sheri and Wade Daniell of Abilene were visitors on Tuesday night.

Bob and Mary Jane Little were visiting with Jimmy and Verna Little on Monday night.

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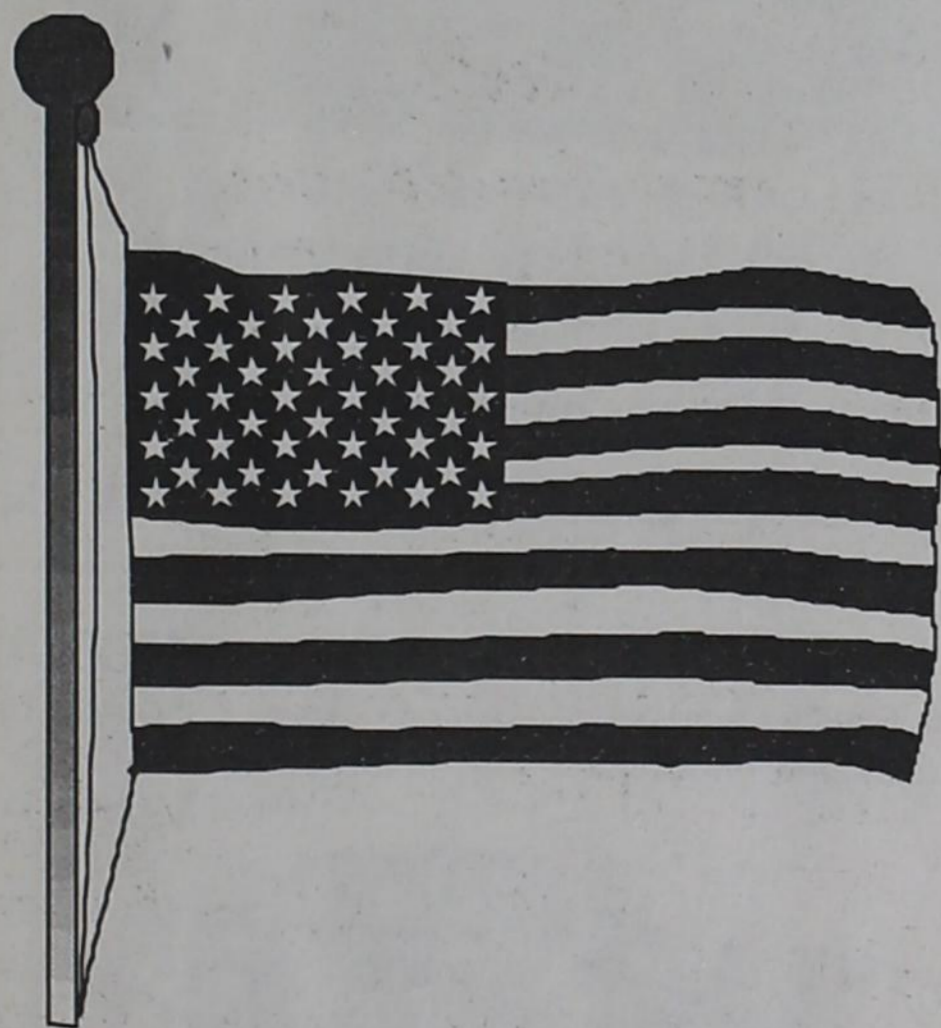
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