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Gorman Stock Show Saturday, January 9

The Gorman FFA and 4-H would like to invite everyone to the Gorman Project Show, Saturday, January 9th at the Gorman Show Barn. Judging will begin at 8 a.m. with Meat Goats followed by Market Lambs at 9 a.m. and Breeding Swine at 10 a.m. There will a Lunch Break after the Breeding Swine. Market Swine will show at 1 p.m.

Be sure and come to support the Gorman Ag kids as they go into competition with their animals. Many hours of work have gone into preparation for these shows. This is the first show of the 1999 Show season. Be sure and remember the Eastland County Livestock Show on February 10 thru 13. The Premium Sale will be Saturday, February 13 at 7 p.m.

Concessions will be available at the Gorman School Lunch Room.

January is School Board Recognition Month



Gorman--January is School Board Recognition Month, with the goal of building awareness of the vital role an elected board of education plays in our society. The Gorman ISD is joining other districts throughout the state to recognize the important contributions trustees make to their communities.

"Texans benefit every day from the dedicated energies and countless hours devoted by a group of more than 7,000 men and women across the state. These public servants are elected to serve by local citizens and receive no compensation for their tireless efforts. These men and women are the local school board members of Texas," said Gene Shackelford, Gorman ISD superintendent said.

"These people unselfishly contribute their time and talents toward the advancement of public education," Shackelford said. "They represent a continuing commitment to local citizen control and decision making in education.

"Even though we are making a special effort during January to show appreciation to our school board member, we recognize their contributions reflect a year-round commitment on their part," Shackelford said. "They are dedicated individuals who are committed to the continuing success of our schools and students."

The men and women serving Gorman ISD and their years of service are: Windell Treadway-13 years on board, Danny Snider-10 years, Freddie Gilmore-15 years, Glenn Glasson-8 years, Larry Keith-7 years, Bobby Rich-7 years, and Catherine Eaves-5 years.

Make a special effort to thank these members of our community for serving as school board trustees.

Coaches Corner By Coach Curlee

I hope everyone had a great Christmas break, I know I did. It is always good to get a little time off to spend with friends and family.

The basketball teams will be starting their district play this Friday, January 8th, at Ranger. There will be three games starting at 5:00 p.m. with the Junior Varsity boys. The varsity teams will follow. Both varsity teams have been very successful throughout their non-district schedule's, winning both the Rising Star Tournament and the Gorman Tournament. Over the holidays the boys team posted wins against Priddy and Sidney while losing a close one to Mullin. This will be a tough district game for both teams, and we sure want to get the district started off right, so lets all get out and support these kids as they start making their run's at the playoffs. The district should be very competitive with Cross Plains, Ranger, Baird and Santa Anna. On Tuesday, January 12th, all three teams will travel to Gordon with games starting at 5:00. This will be one of two non-district games we will play during the district.

The junior high teams will be in action on Thursday, January 7th when we will host Cross Plains here at 5:00. These kids are a lot of fun to watch and are doing well on the season.

I would like to congratulate some of our football players for receiving post season honors, which was also release over the Christmas holidays. The Ft. Worth Star Telegram's All-Area Team had three Panthers on it. Margarito Sanchez made the team as a running back, Blake Guthery was a member of the team at the linebacker position and Richard Svarovsky was the kicker. The Abilene Reporter New's All-Area Team had Blake Guthery at a linebacker, Margarito Sanchez as a running back, and Cy Cypher as an offensive lineman. The Associate Press All-State Team also had two Panthers on it with Cy Cypher making the first team as an Offensive Lineman and Blake Guthery making the second team as a Linebacker. As I have said before, I am always excited to see our kids get the recognition they deserve, because I know what they have had to go through to get there. All of these boys are Seniors and will greatly missed next sea-

Remember the High School games on the 8th and 12th, At Ranger and Gordon, and the Junior High games on the 7th, here. Hope to see you in the stands the next time our teams are playing.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editor,

I am a lover of history and I have a somewhat unusual hobby. I collect old tokens used by stores, barber shops, pool halls, bakeries, saloons, forts, and other businesses years ago. The tokens were "good for" 5, 10, 12 1/2 cents or such in trade or merchandise or "good for" a loaf of bread, one drink, one shave, one ride or whatever. They were usually made of metal, and while having the general appearance of a coin, they were made in all shapes and sizes.

I am hoping that if you have a "Letter to the Editor" section or such in your paper that you might mention my search. I know that this request is relatively unimportant, but as our elderly pass away and the younger members of the family inherit their possessions, tokens and other items are considered junk and thrown out. I do get a great deal of enjoyment from my hobby and I do believe that these concrete reminders of our great heritage are worth preserving.

I have reason to believe that some of these tokens were used in your area and I would be most interested in obtaining some of them for my collection.

I would like to hear from anyone having one or more of these tokens or from anyone that might be able to help me. Any help that you can give me of any kind is greatly appreciated. My address is Travis Roberts, Box 1168, Bellaire, Texas 77402.

(s) Travis Roberts

Nominations Being Taken for Gifted Students

Crystal Snider, GT Coordinator

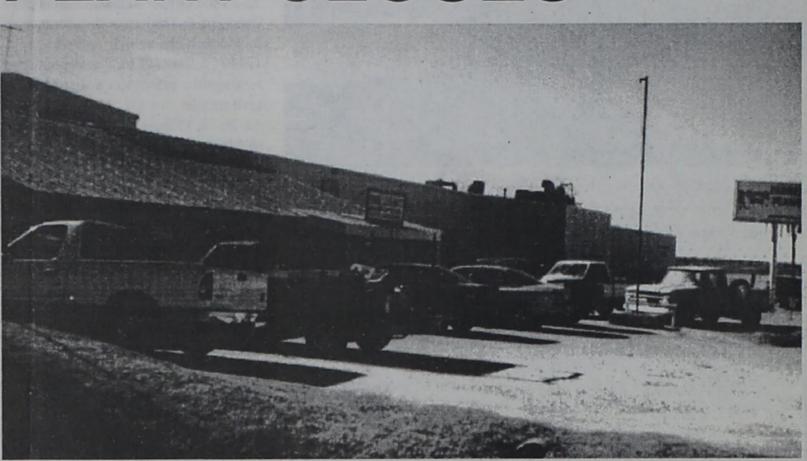
Gorman ISD is conducting a program for students with potential in academic and creative-productive thinking skills in grades K-12 during the coming school year.

Any child in this school whom you believe is an intellectually gifted learner is eligible to be nominated. The program will specifically be for those students who score extremely high on Achievement Tests, Intelligence Tests, and Creativity Test.

If you wish to nominate your child, please do so by going to the counselor's office or the appropriate school office and complete the proper forms. Any nominations should be made before January 15th.

Please be aware that if your child is nominated, special testing will be needed in order to complete the identification process. In order to make the

PARNELL'S PEANUTS PLANT CLOSES



January 4, 1999 was the first day back to school and work for many of us following the New Year holiday. For the employees of Parnell's Peanut Company, it was the *last* day back. Upon arrival to work Monday morning the employees were each given an envelope containing approximately a two paragraph letter stating they would be paid their regular wages and given benefits until March 5th, but they were no longer employed effective January 4th.

By 10:00 a.m. the news hit town like a shockwave. Everyone was reeling from the news. With the peanut industry being the primary source of income, the community was hit hard. Parnell's primarily processed gourmet peanuts and peanut butter and employed approximately 50 people.

Parnell's is owned by Morven Partners L.P. producers of Original Nuthouse Brand Products. Don S. Palmer, Chief Operating Officer, was contacted for a statement, but only responded "The company will not be issuing any comments or statements regarding this matter."

By Monday afternoon, the supplies in stock were being shipped to the new plant in El Paso, Tx. The equipment is being taken apart and shipped to the plant in Virginia.

Jack Simpson, Mayor of the City of Gorman stated "The loss of Parnell's is going to cause a detrimental effect on our economy. The school will be hit hardest with the loss of governmental funds generated by the students belonging to the employees of Parnell's. The city will be affected somewhat due to the loss of revenues generated by the employees, but the city will not suffer from any tax loss because Parnell's did not pay city taxes due to the fact they were located out of the city limits. Regardless, Parnell's will be sorely missed."

Gorman is such a small town, the loss of any business is hard on the economy. Last year Higginbothams had to close its doors, this year Parnell's. But there is a glimmer of hope for the new year as the Gorman Chamber of Commerce is working diligently to encourage new businesses in Gorman. Jonathan Van Dusen, President of the Gorman Chamber stated, "We have been in contact with Dollar General and they *are* interested in locating a store in the Gorman area if they can work through a few details find a viable building." "General Dollar will be contacting Higginbothams in Comanche to discuss the use of their building."

Though the beginning of this year started out bleak, Gorman is a close knit community, full of creative, hard-working, and innovative people who come together during hardships. This incident is no different. The community will band together and strive to make the rest of 1999 a better year.

Clay Sandlin Enlisted in the U. S. Air Force

Clay Delton Sandlin, a resident of Carbon, Tx., and the son of Bill and Cathy Sandlin, enlisted in the Air Force

on Nov. 18, 1998.

Upon successfully completing the Air Force's six week basic training course at Lackland Air Force Base, San Antonio, Tx., he is scheduled to receive technical training in the Aircraft

screening process move more quickly, you will be asked to grant your permission for that testing at the time you place your nomination.

First Baptist Church Family Nights

Beginning Wednesday night, January 6th. The First Baptist Church will be serving a meal at 6 p.m. in the Fel-

Loadmaster Apprentice career field.

Clay is a 1998 graduate of Gorman High School. He will be earning credits toward an Associate Degree in Applied Sciences through the Community College of the Air Force while attending basic and technical training schools. lowship Hall. Cost of the meal will be Adults - \$2.00 and Children - \$1.00. This meal will be served every Wednesday night.

There will be something for the whole family to do. Experiencing God Sessions, Bible Study/Prayer Meetings, GA's, Mission Friends, Acteens, and RA's to begin at 7:00 p.m.

Come as you are.

GORMAN PROGRESS MEMBER 1999 TEXAS PRESS ASSOCIATION

ITEMS OF INTEREST

TO ORDER GIRL SCOUT COOKIES IN GORMAN CONTACT A MEMBER OF THE LOCAL GIRL SCOUT GROUP.

RETIRED TEACHERS TO MEET MONDAY, JANUARY 11TH AT SNAPP'S RESTURANT AT 11:30 A.M. SPEAKER TO BE SUE MULLINAX, ART INSTRUCTOR AT CJC. MAKE PLANS TO ATTEND

SANDRA CAGLE WILL BE IN GORMAN THE THIRD WEDNESDAY OF EACH MONTH AT THE CITY OFFICE TO RENEW AUTO LICENSE PLATES. HER NEXT VISIT WILL BE JANUARY 20TH FROM 9 - 12 NOON.

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. Gaylord Battenfield, Worshipful Master — Roscoe Reeves, Secretary.

GORMAN PEANUT FESTIVAL ASSOCIATION meets the 2nd Wednesday of each month at 5:30 p.m. in the Community Center.

FREE BLOOD PRESSURE CLINIC -- Every 3rd Wednesday at Gorman Community Center from 10:30 to 11:30. Sponsored by CMS Health Care.

The Order of the Eastern Star holds its regular stated meetings on the first Monday of each month at 7:30 p.m. - Oleta Moseley, Worthy Matron and Pat Moseley, Worthy Patron.

Gorman Oaklawn Cemetery Association is accepting donations for the Care of the Cemetery. If you would like to make a donation in memory of or In Honor of someone, please send to Rt. 3 Box 121A, or Security State Bank, Gorman, Texas 76454.

Gorman Primitive Baptist Church has Services Every Sundays. Services begin at 10:30 a.m. Barry Brown, Pastor - 1st and 3rd Sundays; Elder Dale Majors - 2nd Sunday - Everyone Welcome To Attend.

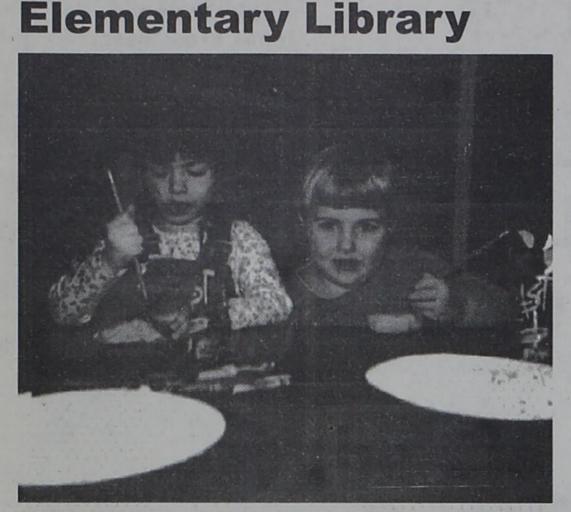
First Fruits Christian Fellowship Of Gorman Moves To New Facility



Pastor Dane Gressett and the elders and congregation of First Fruits Christian Fellowship are happy to announce that on November 22, 1998 they held their first Sunday worship service in the new worship facility located on the corner of Lexington and Crescent in Gorman (across from the football field parking lot.)

The new facility is being built debt free — on a "pay as you go" basis. The project is still some time away from full completion. Nontheless, all the most necessary components are now in place (heating and cooling, bathrooms, comfortable seating for large crowds, sound system, child care, etc.) The congregation is making initial plans for an all day "Open House" and time of fellowship, singing and preaching in early Spring where other area churches and community representatives can join with them and celebrate the Lord's blessings.

First Fruits Christian Fellowship is a unique church that includes people from Baptist, Methodist, Church of Christ, Pentecostal, Charismatic, Episcopal, Catholic and other religious backgrounds. It also is a place of racial unity where Anglos, Hispanics and African Americans all worship JESUS together without prejudice. Many people drive 30 miles or more to participate in the lively heartfelt worship and strong biblical preaching. Visitors and spiritually needy people are urged to attend.



Rachel Tucker and MacKensie Osburn enjoy storytime at the Maxfield Elementary Library. Pre-school age children are invited to the Library each Tuesday afternoon, at 2:30 for Storytime.



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Police Report

By Abel Saldana-Chief of Police

12-18-98: Officer Drozeski responded to dog being hit by auto. Dog picked

12-20-98: Officer Saldana responded to W. Roberts, reference to a disturbances. All OK, parties separated. 12-22-98: Officer Saldana responded

to Brandon apts., reference civil mat-

12-23-98: Officer Saldana responded to N. Winkler, minor accident.

12-24-98: Officer Salanda responded to Pershing & Wilson, loud music call 12-25-98: Officer Saldana to Ector st. Suspicious person, city employee was turning water off.

12-25-98: Officer Saldana responded to ily of Burnice Daniels who helped Crescent & Underwood, reference to locked vehicle, vehicle locked.

12-25-98:Officer Ettinger responded to Lexington, reference a disturbance, civil matter.

12-26-98: Officer Drozeski responded to Main st., reference locked keys w/ child inside vehicle, vehicle unlocked. 12-27-98: Officer Drozeski responded to State st. reference someone shooting at her dog, subjects were located and warned about consequences.

12-27-98: Officer Drozeski and Saldana responded to Lexington, reference having problems with son, referred to juvenile probation.

12-27-98: Officer Drozeski and Salanda responded to E. Roberts, reference suspicious noises, unable to locate anything.

12-28-98: Officer Drozeski responded to N. Winkler, reference to possible break-in, unfounded.

12-29-98: Officer Drozeski responded to Pershing, reference to a lost wallet, wallet found.

Gorman ISD Menu

MONDAY- Sausage pancake on on January 10, 1999, with increases in stick, juice, milk

WEDNESDAY-Oatmeal, toast, jelly, juice, milk

THURSDAY-Eggs, toast, jelly, juice,

FRIDAY-Biscuits, gravy, sausage,

juice, milk

MONDAY-Ham & cheese sandwich, veg. soup, peanut butter bars, milk TUESDAY-Roast beef, potatoes, peas, apple crisp, roll, gravy, milk WEDNESDAY-Chicken casserole, green beans, pears, roll, brownie, milk THURSDAY-Nachos, salad, milk FRIDAY-Panther burger, fries, apples,

Jan. 11 to 15 Breakfast

Lunch

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passed away Thursday, December 31, 1998 in a Ft. Worth hospital.

Services were held Monday with Rev. Jerry Maston and Craig Rhoton

officiating. The body was cremated. Mrs. Sharp was born in Gorman, where she lived most of her life. She married E.J. Sharp in 1970 in Ranger.

She worked as a secretary for

Chapparrel Steel and was a Baptist.

Survivors include: Husband, E.J. Sharp of Olden; 2 daughters, Kim Cockburn of Gorman and Cherissa Sharp of Olden; one brother, Nick Eaker of Boerne; and 2 grandchildren.

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The rate for a one ounce letter are increasing by 1 cent, from 32 to 33 cents. The rate for each additional ounce of First Class mail will decrease from 23 to 22 cents per additional ounce up to 13 ounces. After 13 ounces a piece will go by the Priority rate of \$3.20. The Priority rate is up 20 cents from the current \$3.00, and this rate is for articles the weigh from 13 ounces up to two pounds. After two pounds, the rate will increase by the poind and depend on the zone of destination. Other rates and fees will also change most costs, but some decreases. Money TUESDAY-Cereal, toast, jelly, juice, Order fees will decrease from 85 cents to 80 cents. Post cards will still cost 20 cents to mail, but after January 10, 1999, the cost of the cards sold at the Post Office will increase by 1 cent. Post Cards sold through the Post Office, with the postage affixed will then cost 21 cents. For more information about rates and fees that may affect your particular mailing needs, contact your local Postmaster. New pamphlets and charts will be available soon for those who have need for them. New mailing statements will be furnished to those whose rates will change.

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Floradelle Clayton Laid to Rest

Floradelle "Flo" Clayton, 78, of Desdemona, passed away Wednesday, Dec. 30, 1998 in the De Leon Hospital after a sudden illness.

Services were held Friday, Jan. 1 at the Desdemona Church of Christ with Ray Wright officiating, assisted by Denver Rainey. Burial was in the Clayton Cemetery in Erath County.

Mrs. Clayton was born in Stephens County on Oct. 13, 1920 to Thomas and Lula Lindley. She married Willis Stanley Clayton on Oct. 18, 1936 in

Jake Hammonds Community. He preceded her in death on Jan. 7, 1983. She was a housewife and a seamstress. She was a member of the Desdemona Church of Christ.

Survivors include: 4 sons, Lindley Gene Clayton of Polsum, Montana; Murray Dale Clayton of Ranger; Garry Neil Clayton and Coy Anthon Clayton both of Desdemona; 5 grandchildren; 1 great-grandchild.

Preceded in death by her parents, one brother and two sisters.

Twin Oak Farm Boers

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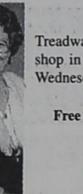
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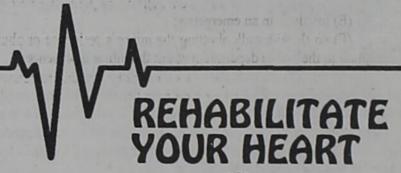
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ZELDA JORDAN - PHONE 254-639-2289

I hope that the New Year is start- ing out like everyone wants it to, and

one with a wonderful year.

and Nancy Hendricks and Zelda Jordan were among those attending the New Year's Eve Singing at New Hope Baptist Church.

Visitors at the Kokomo Baptist

ORDINANCE NO. 004-97

AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING CURFEW HOURS FOR MINORS; DEFINING TERMS; CREATING OFFENSES FOR MINORS, PARENTS, AND GUARDIANS OF MINORS, AND BUSINESS ESTABLISHMENTS PROVIDING FOR ENFORCEMENT BY THE POLICE DEPARTMENT, PROVIDING FOR WAIVER BY THE MUNICIPAL COURT OF JURISDICTION OVER A MINOR WHEN REQUIRED UNDER THE TEXAS FAMILY CODE; PROVIDING FOR REVIEW OF THIS ORDINANCE TWELVE MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF INITIAL ENFORCEMENT; PROVIDING A PENALTY; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; PROVIDING N EFFECTIVE DATE; PROVIDING AN OPEN MEETING CLAUSE; WAIVING THE RULE REQUIR-ING THE READING OF ORDINANCES ON TWO (2) SEPARATE DAYS; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

WHEREAS, the City Commission has determined that there has been an increase in juvenile violence, juvenile gang activity, and crime by and against persons under the age of 17 in the City of Gorman.

WHEREAS, persons under the age of 17 are particularly susceptible by their lack of maturity and experience to participation in unlawful and activities or are likely to be victims of crime committed by adults or other youths;

WHEREAS, the City of Gorman desires to provide for the protection of minors from each other and from other persons, to promote of Stephenville, Jimmy Don, J.D., parental control over and responsibly for children, in order to protect the general public, and reduce the incidence of juvenile criminal

WHEREAS, a curfew for those under the age of 17 is in the interest of the public health, safety, and general welfare and will help to attain the foregoing objectives and to diminish the undesirable impact of such conduct on the citizens of the City of Gorman.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GORMAN, TEXAS, THAT: Part 1: The following curfew requirements for minors are hereby adopted:

CURFEW HOURS FOR MINORS

(a) Definitions: In this ordinance, the words and phrases listed below have the meanings provided herein

(1) CURFEW HOURS means:

(A) 12:00 a.m. on any Sunday -- Saturday

(B) 6:00 a.m. on any Saturday or Sunday; and

(C) 8:30 a.m. until 2:30 p.m. on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday.

(2) EMERGENCY means an unforeseen combination of circumstances or the resulting state that calls for immediate action. The term includes, but is not limited to, a fire, a natural disaster, an automobile accident, or any situation requiring immediate action to prevent serious bodily injury or loss of life.

(3) ESTABLISHMENT means any privately owned place of business operated for a profit to which the public is invited, including by not limited to any place of amusement or entertainment.

(4) GUARDIAN means:

(A) a person who, under court order, is the guardian of the person of a minor, or

(B) a public or private agency with whom a minor has been placed by court,

(5) MINOR means any person under 17 years of age.

(6) OPERATOR means any individual, firm, association, partnership, or corporation operating, managing, or conducting any establishment. The term includes the members or partners of, an association or partnership and the officers of a corporation.

(7) PARENT means a person who is: (A) a natural parent, adoptive parent, or step-parent of another person; or

(B) at least 18 years of age and authorized by a parent or guardian to have the care and custody of a minor.

(8) PUBLIC PLACE means any place to which the public or a substantial group of the public has access and includes, but is not limited to, streets, highways, and the common areas of schools, hospitals, apartment houses, office buildings, and shops. (9) REMAIN means to:

(A) linger or stay; or (B) fail to leave premises when requested to do so by a police officer or the owner, operator, or other person in control of the

(10) SERIOUS BODILY INJURY means bodily injury that creates a substantial risk of death, serious permanent disfigurement, or protracted loss or impairment of the functions of any bodily member or organ. b. Offenses

(1) A minor commits an offense if he or she remains in any public place or on the premises of any establishment within the city curfew

(2) A parent or guardian of a minor commits an offense if he or she knowingly permits, or by insufficient control allows, the minor to remain in nay public place or on the premises of the establishment during curfew hours.

(3) The owner, operator, or any employee of an establishment commits an offense if he or she knowingly allows a minor to remain upon the premises of the establishment during curfew hours.

c. Defenses

(1) It is a defense to prosecution under Subsection (b) that the minor was:

(A) accompanied by the minor's parent or guardian;

(B) on an errand at the direction of the minor's parent or guardian, without any detour or stop;

(C) in a motor vehicle involved in interstate or intrastate travel;

the Charter of the City of Gorman, Texas, and it is accordingly so ordained.

(D) engaged in an employment activity, or going to or returning home from an employment activity, without any detour or stop; (E) involved in an emergency;

(F) on the sidewalk abutting the minor's residence or abutting the residence of the next door neighbor if the neighbor did not complain to the police department about the minor's presence;

(G) attending an official school, religious, or other recreational activity supervised by adults and sponsored by the City of Gorman a civic organization, or another similar entity that takes responsibility for the minor, or going to or returning home from, without any detour or stop, an official school, religious, or other recreational activity supervised by adults and sponsored by the City of Gorman, a civic organization, or another similar entity that takes responsibility for the minor;

(H) exercising first amendment rights protected by the United States Constitution, such as the free exercise of religion, freedom of a visit here with Zelda Jordan. Daisy speech, and the right to assembly; or

(I) married or had been married or had disabilities of minority removed in accordance with Chapter 31 of the Texas Family Code. of Carbon also visited with them. (J) a student in a private or parochial school, including a home school, or any other student, who is exempt from the compulsory

attendance requirement under section 21.033 of the Texas Education Code. (2) It is a defense to prosecution under Subsection (b) (3) that the owner, operator, or employee of an establishment promptly notified

the police department that a minor was present on the premises of that establishment during the curfew hours and refused to leave. Before taking any enforcement action under this section, a police officer shall ask the apparent offender's age and reason for being in the public place. The officer shall not issue a citation or make an arrest under this section unless the officer reasonably believes that an

offense has occurred and that based, on any response and other circumstances, no defenses in Subsection (c) is present. In assessing punishment for either a minor or a parent, the Municipal Court Judge may consider a community service.

(1) A person who violates a provision of this ordinance is guilty of a separate offense for each day or part of day during which the violation is committed, continued, or permitted. Each offense, upon conviction, is punishable by a fine of not more than \$500.

(2) When required by Section 51.08 of the Texas Family Code, the municipal court shall waive original jurisdiction over a minor who violates Subsection (b) (1) of this section and shall refer the minor to juvenile court.

Part 2: The declarations, determinations, and findings declared, made and found in the preamble of this ordinance are hereby adopted, restated and made a part of the operative provisions hereof.

Part 3: If any provision of this ordinance or the application of any provision to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications of the ordinance which can be given effect without the invalid provision or

application, and to this end the provision of this ordinance are declared to be severable. Part 4: This ordinance shall take effect immediately from and after its passage and publication in accordance with the provisions of

Part 5: That twenty-four months after the effective date of this Ordinance, this Ordinance shall expire and be of no further force and effect. That twelve months after the effective date of this Ordinance, the Chief of Police shall review this ordinance and make a report of

his or her recommendations to the City Commission concerning the effectiveness of and the continuing need for, a curfew ordinance. Part 6: It is hereby officially found and determined that the meeting at which this ordinance is passed was open to the public as required and that public notice of the time, place, and purpose of said meeting was given as required by the Open Meetings Act.

Part 7: That the requirements imposed by the Charter of the City of Gorman that this ordinance be read on two (2) separate days shall be waived by the affirmative vote of four (4) members of the City Commission to pass this ordinance through more than one reading on a single vote.

Part 8: That an emergency is apparent and is hereby declared to exist for the immediate preservation of the public health, safety, and general welfare, which emergency requires that this ordinance become effective immediately upon its passage.



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Woodrow and Helen Browning Church on Sunday morning were James and Ruby Lee Kinser and Daryl and Cecilia Hirst of Gorman. The special music was rendered by Kay Snider, Leona Wilson, Ruby Lee Kinser, Helen Browning, Norma Webb, Daryl Hirst, Oren Webb, Jimmy Little, Joe Bond, Woodrow Browning with Glynda Bond at the

Visitors with Nancy Hendricks were John and Troy Scitern, Ruth Bryant and Hope Joiner.

Shannon Bond and Stephanie DeBoom of Copperas Cove and Brian Bond of Coppell spent Christmas Day with Joe and Glynda Bond. Those having dinner with Joe and Glynda on December 26th were Glynn, Debbie and Nathan Wilson Chance and Kristin Wilson of Ranger, Amy, Steve, Camron and Garrett Crew of Stephenville, Shelly, Candace, Cathrine and Cassie Hale of Brownwood, Shannon Bond and Stephanie DeBoom of Copperas Cove and Brian Bond of Coppell.

Joe and Glynda Bond visited with his sisters, Mell Bond and Eloise Shock in Bullard during the holidays.

Oren and Norma Webb attended the Eagle Environmental Services Christmas Luncheon in Eastland on Wednesday, Dec. 23.

James, Jantzen and Chelsea Webb of Glen Rose, and Stacy, Jacob and Kacci Webb of Comanche had Christmas Dinner with Oren and Norma Webb. In the afternoon, James and Robin Campbell, Eric, Jamie and Ryan of Springtown visited with

Johnnie B. Griffith spent Christmas in Midland with Ken and Janie Riely and family and they brought her home enroute to Kemp to visit with his mother who had undergone heart by-pass surgery. Johnnie B. had lunch with Niles and Earl Trout on

Jimmy and Maggie Nelson of Ft. Worth spent last week with his dad, Clifford Nelson. Travis, Gladys, Alexis and Tiffany Nelson of Ft. Worth visited with them on New Year's Day.

Gary and Donna Browning, Lesley, Melanie and Garrett of Mineral Wells, Gary and Rebecca Browning of Graham visited during the Christmas holidays with Woodrow and Helen Browning. This was Garrett's first visit to his grandparents home since his birth on Dec. 7th.

Cindy, Kyle and Kayla Jordan returned to their home in Lubbock on Wednesday, Dec. 30th following Slaton of Gorman and Martha Wood

James and Grace Lawrence of Jacksonville, AR spent Monday night with Zelda Jordan.

Zelda Jordan visited with a long time friend, Joy McCleery, of Garland in the home of Joy's brother and sister-in-law, Cleveland and Velma Hilton in Breckenridge on New Year's Day.

Scott Bailey to be **Guest Speaker for Genealogical Society**

The Eastland County Genealogical Society and Research Library will meet Jan. 14, 1999 in the Community Room of the Eastland National Bank at 7:00 .m. Mr. Scott Bailey will be the guest speaker with a talk about some outstanding events in Eastland County's history. All visitors are welcome to come and enjoy this with us.

We would like to remind everyone about the Genealogy workshop by Everton Publishing on April 24, 1999. Preregistration will be \$24.00 and \$30.00 at the door. There will be door prizes and a one year free subscription to "Everton's Genealogical Helper" (\$24.00 value) included. To inquire please contact Wanda Skinner at Rt. 3 Box 300, Eastland, Tx. or any of our members.

Murphy Makes President's List

On January 4, 1999, Cisco Junior College announced that Gorman native, Edith Murphy, made the President's List at Cisco Junior College. Student's making the President's List have made a straight "A" record on a 4.0 system.

New Year Claims 30 Lives

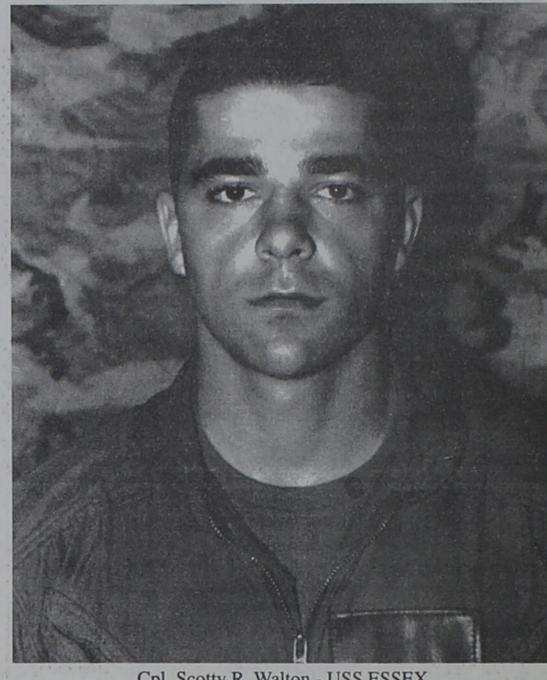
According to the Texas Department of Public Safety, 30 people lost their lives to traffic accidents.

The DPS estimated 24 people could die during the 78 hour New Year Motorcide reporting period, which ran from 6 p.m. Thursday through midnight Sunday.

There were 28 accidents, with 30 fatalities reported. Of those, 67 percent were not wearing safety belts, 40 percent were alcohol related.

Desdemona Native Enforces U.N. Sanction

Story by J.L. Chirrick Navy Public Affairs Center



Cpl. Scotty R. Walton - USS ESSEX

ABOARD USS ESSEX-- Tension hangs in the air as men move through the ship with determination, the time to act has come. Transport helicopters and amphibious landing craft prepare to launch a beach invasion, while Harrier jump jets and Cobra attack helicopters await the word to provide aerial support.

Seconds begin to feel like hours while Desdemona's Scotty R. Walton and the other members of the 15th Marine Expeditionary Unit (15th MEU) make their final preparations for the impending assault. Moments later they're ready, waiting for an order to begin the strike.

Months of training like this helped prepare Cpl. Walton, the 22 year old son of Ronnie and Brenda Walton of Desdemona, and the 15th MEU for their overseas deployment which began last June. A key objective of this deployment was the 15th MEU's participation in Operation Southern Watch.

Southern Watch is a mission to support United Nation Security Council resolutions instituted against Iraq after the Gulf War. Activities involve patrolling a no-fly zone over Southern Iraq to ensure Saddam Hussein and the Iraqi military adhere to United Nations security council resolutions.

The 15th MEU is a multi-capable amphibious unit which is complemented by a fully night-capable AV-8B Harrier squadron, making it an ideal force to handle missions like Southern Watch. Advanced nighttime capabilities allow Harriers to provide valuable intelligence at all times, and should the need arise, the 15th MEU's ground forces are always readily available.

During the operation, Walton, an aircraft mechanic who services and repairs Marine aircraft, completed many tasks which lent to the mission's success.

Providing mission support often required Walton to work long hours, under a blazing Arabian sun. But Walton, a 1994 graduate of Gorman High School, was determined to do his job despite the conditions.

The four-year Marine Corps veteran said, "The most challenging part of the exercise was launching and recovering aircraft in the intense heat. The hours were long and tiresome, but I think this squadron has set a standard other deployments can be measured against."

In addition to arduous working conditions, Walton had to adjust to life aboard a ship where tight quarters and shifting schedules make life a constant trial.

"I find that the Essex team is very strong. This is my third deployment, and the Marines and Sailors of this ARG are the closest and most hard working that

The trip was not without it's rewards though. Walton got to visit foreign lands, that others only dream about, while doing something meaningful for the United States and the world.

The 15th MEU and the Essex was expected to return to the United States in late December.



By Nancy Hendricks

A Note From the Administrator

I sure hope that everyone had a wonderful Christmas. Gorman almost had a "White Christmas". It is now time to look back and evaluate how 1998 went and strive to do better in 1999. Kathy has already asked let Watson, Audrey Pond, Howard if I have made any new year's resolu- and Pat Hagood, Chris Johnson of tions yet. I said "No!" It is not New Years Day yet. I hope that everyone has a Happy New Year! See you at home from the De Leon Hospital. the Nursing Home.

Birthday Party for December

The December birthday party was held on Dec. 29th at 2:00 p.m. Honorees were Veno Hale, Modess Burgess, and Venita Hammon. Ina Smith Sharie Gunter, Neal and Lugene entertained.

Betty Little and Anna Rush baked the birthday cakes which were served with red punch. Gifts were from the Church of Christ, Methodist Church, First Baptist Church and Heritage Manor.

Reisdents were, the honorees, Modess Burgess, Venita Hammon, Veno Hale, Patti Whitehorn, Ora Mae Atchison, Ola Walker, Jack and Mildred Bellows, Ollie Halcomb, Dorothy Beaty, Inez Rogers, Stella Files, A.V. Seay, Iola Johnson, Myrtle Hale, Velma Bennett and guests Betty Little, Verna Lee Little, Ruth Bryant, Nancy Hendricks and Ina and Mayvis Lasater.

Jarsky.

On Sunday morning Ora Lee Lowrence from First Baptist Church Bennett were Ruth Coutorie, Mack taught the Sunday School lesson for and Nelda Keith, Lisa and Jeremy A.V. Seay, Frankie Jarrett, Inez Janacek, Kevin and Roxanna Scitern, Rogers, Ora Mae Atchison, Ollie Gladys Fraley, Fay and Denzel Ables, Halcomb, Velma Bennett, Veno Hale and S.D. Gilmore.

D. Gilmore were Daisy Slaton, Gary, Ann and Sonya Burgess, Alene Garrett, Durwood and Aletha Burgess, Rachel Mayfield, Joyce Pence, Sam Pence of Granbury, Lisa Pence and Ginger Burgess of Stephenville, Ava Rodgers, Ruth Bryant, Nancy Hendricks, Vera Little, Betty Little and Mayvis Lasater.

On Sunday at 2:30 p.m. Rev. T.A. Whitehorn brought church services for Ava Rodgers, Jack and Mildred Bellows, Inez Rogers, Venita Hammon, S.D. Gilmore, Velma Bennett, Patti Whitehorn, Ora Mae Atchison and Veno Hale. Guests were Mary Estes, Sylvia Estes, Ruth Bryant, Pat Graham and Nancy Hendricks.

Some of Stella Reynolds guests were Ava Rodgers, Ruth Bryant, Aletha Burgess, Nancy Hendricks, Le Royce and Mackie Brantly, Ray, Dee Ann and Kari Bond, Chris and Jewel Holland, Edgar Reynolds, and Mayvis Lasater.

Joy Campbell brought the "Positive Action Group" to sing for all the residents. They were Kyle Broom, Scotty and Kevin Lewis, Clint, Tecia and Skylar Jones.

magazines that Marcel and Fay Files gave the home.

Visiting Rubye Jones and Vadis Phelps were Mitzi McGaha, Kelly Carruth, Jerry Brown, Julie, Corey and Cameron Clark, Vickie, Seth, Tyler and Josh Johnson, Faye Tucker, Elnora Lindley, Birdie Hogan, and Mayvis Lasater.

Some of Mary Williams guests were Nettie Denton, Jonell Torrez, Maxine Frasier, Sherry and Emily Thornton, Ina Reynolds, Howard and Pat Hagood, Aline Garrett, Patrick and Nora Frasier, Gina Harrison of ACU Abilene, Jeff Harrison of Bryan, Jerry and Nora Frasier of Corpus Mesquite and Mayvis Lasater.

On Thursday afternoon Ina Smith had bingo for Velma Bennett, Venita Hammon, A.V. Seay, S.D. Gilmore, Jack and Mildred Bellows, Ollie Halcomb, Frankie Jarrett, Ora Mae Atchison, Dorothy Beaty and Patti Whitehorn.

Visiting A.V. Seay and Myrtle Hale were Martin Seay of Abilene, Duke Seay of Clyde, Thomas and Vicki Seay, Tommy Lynn Seay, Mark Glover, Louise Hall, Ina Reynolds, Ennis and Nina Joiner, Thurman Hale, Mayvis Lasater, Argie and Margie Hale, Janice Glover, Kyle Corbell, Royce and Lisa and Haley Corbell of Amarillo, Michael Olinda, Emily and Ryan Hale, Fay Scitern,

Stephen Joiner, and David Joiner. Thanks to Mrs. Juanita Files for the nice magazine.

Visiting Hazel Wisdom and Stella Files were Edna Roney, Corinne Walton of Clyde, Ken and Pat Kincannon, Michael and Dixie Kimbrough, Leo and Eloise Williams, Bob and Merlene Wisdom, Vio-Lovington, NM.

Happy to report Ed Johnson is

Some of Inez Rogers and Ora Mae (s) Jeff Atchison's guests were Chris, Ouida and Casey Gartmas of Camey, Tiffany Nowlin and Edie Nichols of Stpehnville, Chesley Atchison, Violet Watson, Buddy Rogers, Fred Rogers, Kenneth and Salada Brown, Morris, Waldene Jones, Ina Reynolds, Barbra Tucker, Bobby and Cathy Yachberry.

> Visiting Voleta Richardson were Freeman and Dorothy Burns of Arlington, Jo Etheredge, Mayvis Lasater.

> Some of Mary Williams' guests were Nettie Denton, Jonell Torrez, Maxine Frasier, Sherry and Emily Thornton, Ina Reynolds, Howard and Pat Hagood, Aline Garrett, Patrick and Nora Frasier, Gina Harrison of Abilene, Jeff Harrison of Bryan, Jerry and Nora Frasier of Corpus Christi, Freda and Harold Frasier of Mesquite

On Thursday those enjoying arts Visiting B. T. Hannah were and crafts were A.V. Seay, Ollie Jonathan Van Dusen and Susie Halcomb, Veno aHale and Velma Bennett.

Visiting Ann Mize and Velma Denver Rainey, Doyle Hughes, Maxine Routh, Freddie Sadberry, Icy Visiting Modess Burgess and S. Munn, Ina Reynolds, Mayvis Lasater, Nancy Hendricks, and Ruth

A.V. Seay Enjoys Family Reunion

Thomas and Vicki Seay came on Sunday and took A.V. Seay to the Guthery Reunion at the Baptist Church Annex in Desdemona. A.V. reported there were over 40 relatives and everyone had a wonderful time.

Visiting Ola Walker and Venita Hammon were Jean Jackson of Eastland, Chris Shupp, Sam Lemley, Becky and Jeremy Hammon, Ima Jo Bailey, Helen Hugson from Cleburne, and Mayvis Lasater.

Those coming for the sing-a-long on Monday were Ruby Lee Kinser, Daisy Slaton, Pat Graham, Nancy Hendricks, Ruth Bryant and Clifton Jarrett. Residents were Frankie Jarrett, Patti Whitehorn, Ora Mae Atchison, Iola Johnson, Velma Bennett, Inez Rogers, S.D. Gilmore, Doris Fowler, A.V. Seay, Veno Hale, Jack and Mildred Bellows.

Visiting Frankie Jarrett and Patti Whitehorn were Jerry and Rita Hall, Trevor, Melissa and Jarrett Robertson of Kerrville, Jeff and Sandra Watson of Houston, Steve and Gwen Watson of Austin, Kay Watson, Bill Johnson, Residents appreciated the good Mark Watson, Clifton Jarrett, John and Edna Brinegar, Rev. T.D. Whitehorn, Sylvia Estes, Mary Estes, Ina Reynolds, Marie Cook of Carbon, Ruth Bryant, Nancy-Hendricks, Hope Joiner, Ava Rodgers, Mayvis Lasater, Deb and LaVelle Crawley, Mr. and Mrs. Alvis Knox.

On Christmas eve, Varona Taylor went to her son's for Christmas dinner and the exchanging of gifts. Present were Varona, Billy and Janda Taylor, Steve, Kerrie and Chris, Zack and Dacie Taylor, Randal and Tracey Kern.

Visiting Bea O'Neal and Doris Fowler were June Salik, Kim Newton, Jill Andress, Audrey Pond, Christi, Freda and Harold Frasier of Mayvis Lasater, Gena Rone, and Connie Wheeler.

On Monday Ina Smith had bingo for Jack and Mildred Bellows, S.D. Gilmore, A.V. Seay, Velma Bennett, Venita Hammon, Ollie Halcomb, Ora Mae Atchison, Veno Hale, Frankie Jarrett, Patti Whitehorn, and Inez Rogers.

Some of Iola Johnson and Varona Taylor's guests were Ruby Norris, Jenna Norris, Ina Reynolds, Billy and Janda Taylor and Fay Scitern.

Some of Ava Rodgers' visitors were Betty Little, Verna Lee Little, Mayvis Lasater, Ima Brown, Jana Grice, Hope Joiner and Fay Tucker.

On Tuesday Betty Duke and her granddaughter Lauren Ashely of Desdemona came and played the electric keyboard and led singing for Venita Hammon, A.V. Seay, Inez Rogers, Frankie Jarrett, Ora Mae

Retired Teachers & Associates Meet

Eastland Co. Retired Teachers and Associates will meet January 11, 1999 at Snapp's Restaurant at 11:30 a.m.

Our speaker will be Sue Mullinax, art instructor, at Cisco Jr. College.

Lets start the new year right. See Lewisville. you at the meeting.

Public Relations

Sharing With Brother Bob

By Bob Beeman

My friends at Heritage Manor and talked about celebrating New Year's Eve when they were kids.

There wasn't much celebrating done back then. A few got together with friends and shot firecrackers (Roman Candles if you had money) or fired off the old shot gun. Then they tried to remember the words to that "ol' ange sine" song so they could try to sing it. Then everyone ate black-eyed peas and went to bed.

I asked why eating black-eyed peas at midnight was good luck. The only answer I got was just a guess and the guesser wishes to remain

Cecil Arch Perkins Laid to Rest

Services for Cecil Arch Perkins, 85, of De Leon, Texas, formerly of Arlington were held Monday, Jan. 4, 1998 in Mansfield. Brother Doug Cope officiated. Burial was in the Mansfield Cem-

Mr. Perkins passed away Jan. 2, in a Brownwood hospital. He was born July 21, 1913 to David Thomas and Emmer Baker Perkins near Hollis, Oklahoma. He was a retired farmer and lived the last 4 years in De Leon. He was raised in Coleman and Calahan counties and was a member of the Church of Christ in Mansfield. He married Martha Drucilla Sessions on Jan. 19, 1935 in Gorman, Texas.

Survivors include: a son and daughter-in-law, Cecil and Louise Perkins of Sipe Springs; a daughter and son-inlaw, Elaine and Bill Easterling of Lake Side Village; one sister, Bell Morris of Braky; 4 grandchildren, 11 great-grandchildren and one great-great-grandchild.

Preceded in death by his wife, Martha; 3 brothers, Richie, Lester and William Perkins; 2 sisters, Ester Burkett and Janie Morris; 1 grandson, Cecil Ray Perkins and 1 great-grandson, Gavin Aaron Perkins.

Atchison, Veno Hale, Ollie Halcomb, Jack and Mildred Bellows.

Visiting Buddy Winn were Ruby Norris, Jenna Norris, Harvey Winn of Carbon and Vernon Fields.

On Wednesday Jeff Bacher had the Wednesday morning chapel for Velma Bennett, Inez Rogers, Veno Hale, A.V. Seay, Ollie Halcomb, Inez Rogers, and Ora Mae Atchison.

Visiting Veno Hale were Jimmy and Verna Lee Little, Betty Little, Ruth Bryant and Nancy Hendricks.

Some of Ed Johnson and Frank Skiles visitors were Mayvis Lasater, Chris Johnson, Dale Johnson, M.L. Skiles, Fay Johnson, Ron and Nina Skiles.

Visiting Irene Heathington were Ken and Betty Sue Heathington of Knoxville, TN., Mayvis Lasater and Lanita Rodger Freeman.

On Wednesday afternoon Bro. Bob Beeman came and talked about New Years Day and what everyone as a child did as tradition in the years gone by. Present were Veno Hale, A.V. Seay, Velma Bennett, Inez Rogers, Ollie Halcomband Patti Whitehorn.

Visiting Ollie Halcomb and Dorothy Beaty were Joe Beaty of Waco, David and Denna Halcomb, Jonell Torrez, Nettie Denton, Mayvis

At 2:00 p.m. on New Years Eve was very special for residetns. Cookies nad cokes were served and everyone received a New Year's loud whistle. Those present were Venita Hammon, Patti Whitehorn, Ollie Halcomb, A.V. Seay, Dorothy Beaty, Iola Johnson, Jack and Mildred Bellows, Veno Hale, Ola Walker, Modess Burgess, Velma Bennett, Stella Files, Ann Mize, Frankie Jarrett, Inez Rogers, Hazel Wisdom, S.D. Gilmore, Myrtle Hale, Clifton Jarrett and Ina Smith.

Some of Jack and Mildred Bellows' guests were Jamison and Alyssa Armstrong, Eddie and Sheila Smith of Garland, Derrell and Pat Graham, Bruce, Dena, Brett, Chad and Grant Tidmore of Midlothian.

Verl Hallmark and Irene Hallmark of Brownwood visited Veno Hale, A.V. Seay and S.D. Gilmore.

DESDEMONA NEWS

By Vonnie Guthery

New Year's visitors with Bernard and Ann Keith were Johnny and Sandy Cameron, Jessie Sanford of San Angelo, and Justin Cameron of

Dorothy Roberts and her daughter, Cisco. Jacque Fick Ulenda Weaver of Ft. Worth flew to Corpus Christi over the New Year's holiday to visit Pam (Williams) Peterson. Pam is the daughter of the food and fellowship. Dominoes were late Les Williams.

anonymous (and may be a few pieces of fried chicken short of a picnic). Seems that in the "Old South," people partied pretty hard on New Year's Eve. Somebody came up with the superstition so that at midnight, the heavy drinkers would stop drinking and eat a bland food, realize they'd had enough to drink and go to bed. Then the next morning, they wouldn't have a hangover, and get a good start on the New Year.

That put us on to the subject of black-eyed peas, and I learned bunch. Like that they could be planted in the early spring, in your garden, but you had to wait 'til later to plant them in the fields. Of course 2 you used the Farmers Almanac to know on which day to plant. If there was good moisture in the soil, they sprouted fast. They weren't like sweet peas, that needed to have string to climb on. Black-eyed peas hung on to each other and grew without extra support.

The best way to enjoy black-eved peas was to pick them green, shell them, and then cook them. Next was to can the green black-eyed peas and eat them later. Dried peas were okay, and were easier to store, so both ways were used. To cook dried peas, they were usually soaked overnight like red beans. Then they were washed and put in a big stewer with salt pork and rain water and cooked slowly. I think they taste better with a hot jalapeno pepper or two. Also like red beans, you don't want to plant too many or they will work you 'til you're sick of them. A friend of mine in Peaster, Texas planted so many that he even had trouble giving them away. A week after I had picked all I could use, I asked him if he found anybody else to help pick. He said not to worry, he picked the last half acre with his brush-hog.

"'til next time, Brother Bob

Shana Britt of Dallas spent the holidays with her grandparents, Archie and Helen Depwe.

and to enjoy lunch with their friends, Carson and Omalee Holdridge of

"Pot Luck Supper" at the Community Center on New Year's Eve night had good attendance, plenty of good enjoyed, there is a guy who lives west Bernard and Ann Keith were in of town that has plenty of fun in a "42" Brownwood last Tuesday on business game, think maybe his initials are J.R.

> Holiday visitors with Leo and Eloise (Wisdom) Williams were their children, Enid Williams of Akron, Ohio, David and Edna Williams of Lawton, Oklahoma, Donna (Williams) Moore of Jacksboro, Delores (Williams) Helms of Hico, Six grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

> Pete and Alla Rae (Friday) Kelley and grandson, Dylan of Sealy visited over the weekend with Oleta Wade. They attended Church of Christ Sun-

> Charles and Sara Williams of Granbury, Ruth Daffron of Desdemona, Roy Lemaster of De Leon, W.T. and Evelyn Yardley, Debert and Fay Williams all of Stephenville hosted a birthday party at Jose's in Stephenville for Leo Williams and wife, Eloise on Jan.

> Holdiay visitors with Marie Patty were Tim and Debbie Martin and Stuart of Escondido, California, Stacy and Sharie Patty and children, Jonathan,

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Simple solutions to holiday garment care dilemmas can be found on the Rowenta web site at www.rowentausa.com.

Darwin Patty of Stamford.

Our sincere sympathy goes out to the family of Floradelle (Lindley) Clayton, 78, of Desdemona who passed away on Wednesday, Dec. 30. Survivors include four sons, Lindley Clayton of Polsum, Montana, Murray Clayton of Ranger, Garry Clayton and Coy Clayton of Desdemona. Preceded in death by her husband Stanley Clayton Matthew, Ana and Kristin of Lubbock, and her parents, Tom and Lulu Lindley.

1998-99 GORMAN HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL SCHEDULE

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DATE		OPPONENT	SITE	TIME	TEAMS
Jan.	2	Wolfe City	Reunion Arena	12:30	VG,VB
	5	Lingleville	There	6:00	VG,VB
27.75	8	*Ranger	There	5:00	JVB,VG,VB
38	12	Gordon	There	5:00	JVB,VG,VB
1 10	14-16	Huckabay JV Tournament	There	TBA	JVB
	15	*Santa Anna	Here	5:00	JVB,VG,VB
	19	*Baird	There	5:00	JVB,VG,VB
	22	*Cross Plains	Here	5:00	JVB,VG,VB
	26	*Ranger	Here	5:00	JVB,VG,VB
	29	Gordon	Here	5:00	JVB,VG,VB
Feb.	2	*Santa Anna	There	5:00	JVB,VG,VB
	5	**Baird	Here	5:00	JVB,VG,VB
	9	*Cross Plains	There	5:00	JVB,VG,VB
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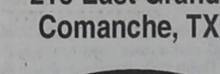
1998-99 GORMAN JR. HIGH BASKETBALL SCHEDULE

DATE	OPPONENT	SITE	TIME	TEAMS
Jan. 7	Cross Plains	Here	5:00	7G,8G,8B
11	Ranger	Here	5:00	7G,8G,8B
18	Priddy.	There	5:00	8G,8B
23	Santa Anna Tournament	There	TBA	8G,8B
25	Santa Anna	There	6:00	8G,8B
Feb. 1	Baird	Here	5:00	8B
1	Baird	There	5:00	7G,8G
4-6	Gustine Tournament	There	TBA	8G,8B
8	Cross Plains	There	5:00	7G,8G,8B

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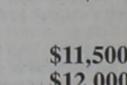






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# 5810 - '95 Chevrolet Astro Ext. Van	\$15,000
# 9519 - '94 Chevrolet 1/2 ton Ext. Cab, loaded	\$13,500



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