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Gorman Church of Christ Revival

419 North Kent Street, Gorman, Texas

June 3 - 6, 2007
Sunday, June 3

Ray Young, Associate Minister and Youth Director,
Denver City Church of Christ
10:00AM Bible Class "Is That Faith?"
10:45 Sermon "Connected"
6:00PM "You Call Me"
Youth "What is That?"

Monday, June 4

Bill Wiley, Retired Minister, Patrick St. Church of Christ, Dublin
7:00PM "The Opening of the Book of Life", Revelation 20: 11-15

Tuesday, June 5

Larry Roberts, Pulpit Minister, Daugherty St Church of Christ, Eastland
7:00PM "This is My Beloved Son" Matthew

Wednesday, June 6

David Harris, Minister, Hillcrest Church of Christ, Stephenville
7:00PM "What Sin Will Do to You!"

Reji Sanchez To Appear On All-Star Game

Reji Sanchez will be playing in the 2007 Myrtle Greathouse All-Star Football Classic on June 2 at the Shotwell Stadium in Abilene. Game time will be 6:30 p.m.

Reji is a 2007 graduate of Gorman High School and is the son of Rejinaldo and Maria Sanchez of Gorman.

All his fans and friends are urged to attend. We congratulate Reji for being named to this honor.



Splash Day

Splash Day set for Saturday, June 2 from 12 Noon to 5 p.m. - Regular Pool hours will be Tuesday thru Saturday - 12 Noon to 5 p.m. and Sundays - 1:00 to 5:00 p.m. Admission is \$2.00. To book a party call 734-2053 or 734-2668.

Sipe Springs Community Monthly Musical Cancelled Until Further Notice

Regretfully, the musical at the Sipe Springs Community Center, scheduled for Saturday, June 2nd, has been cancelled until further notice, due to water damage to the interior of the center's building.

We hope to have the problem resolved in the near future. Thank you for all your support.

Scout Swim Party

End of the year swim party scheduled for Friday, June 1st at the Gorman pool, from 6-9 pm for all Gorman Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts, leaders, and their families. Bring your Rain Gutter Regatta racers and we will attempt to sail our boats at this event, since we are all going to get wet anyway, it's a good time for a water race. Snacks will be provided. Any questions call Lori Lewis 254-445-8017 or 254-592-5158.

Gorman Church of Christ To Present Lectureship

Ray Young, Associate Minister of the Denver City Church of Christ in Denver City, has extensive experience in numerous gospel meetings, youth rallies and Christian camps. He conducts Marriage Enrichment Seminars as well as leadership and renewal seminars for the Church of Christ. He has served as Youth and Family Minister and Minister of Churches of Christ in Carlsbad, New Mexico, Colleyville and Plains. Ray holds a Masters degree from Lubbock Christian University and completed the Sunset International Bible Institute Ministry Program. Ray will speak on Sunday.

Bill F. Wiley has spent a lifetime in ministry to the Churches of Christ. A graduate of Abilene Christian University with a Masters degree,

Bill ministered to eleven churches in Texas and Illinois through his career until his retirement from the Patrick St. Church of Christ in

Dublin. Throughout his ministry he has served regularly as a counselor with emphasis on marriage and family counseling. He has extensive civic work and recently directed the "Faith Comes By Hearing" campaign in San Antonio and with area elders of the San Pedro church of Christ. Retired, he now conducts Gospel Meetings and preaching appointments where he can be of service. Bill will speak on Monday.

Larry Roberts, Pulpit Minister of the Daugherty St. Church of Christ in Eastland, Texas, is a well known minister of the Gospel and has extensive experience in preaching and ministry work in four states. He has served as Minister in Odessa, Texas, Jacksonville, Florida, Little Rock, Arkansas and Jal, New Mexico. Larry is a member of the District 14C Grievance Committee and is a church relations representative for the Foster's Home for Children in Stephenville, Texas. Larry is Tuesday's speaker.



Tour of the Peanut Country Bike Ride June 9

The eighth annual Tour of the Peanut Country Bike Ride will be Saturday June 9. The ride, sponsored by the Gorman Lions Club and Gorman Volunteer Fire Dept., will start from the City Park promptly at 8 AM with no starters any later than 9 AM. There are four distances to choose from: 9 mile, 29 mile, 45 mile or 100K. These courses will all have several rest stops with water, Gatorade, fruit, cookies and peanuts to replenish the riders. There will also be Sag Wagons available should anyone have any mechanical trouble or need medical assistance.

Anyone interested in registering may do so by phone at 254-734-3810. Registration will open on tour day at 7:30 am, at the Start/Finish at City Park. Entry fees are as follows: \$22 for individuals, tandems--\$20, Families of 4 or more--\$20, Clubs (4 or more members)--\$20. First 50 riders receive a Tour of the Peanut Country t-shirt and a goodie bag. For more information call 254-734-3810 or 734-3637. All proceeds from this ride benefit the Gorman VFD and the Gorman Lions Club for local projects and scholarships.

"Deep In The Heart Of Texas"

Vacation Bible School beings on Sunday, June 3rd and runs through Wednesday, June 6th at 6:30 each night at Carbon Community Baptist Church with the theme being "Deep in the Heart of Texas."

There will be guest speakers each night including from World Harvest Ministries, PRCA World Champion Bull Rider, Scott Mendes on Family Night Wednesday, June 6th.

Come and be a part of our cattle drive for Jesus!!! For more information contact Jody Forbus at 254-639-2560 or Vicki at 254-639-2783.

First Baptist Church Vacation Bible School June 4 thru 8



The game is on and excitement is in the air! Game Day Central: Where Heroes Are Made, will get kids in the game and help them learn how to become heroes both on and off the field by focusing on Jesus and following God's plan for their lives.

VBS Cheer:
Run, run, run the race!
Keep, keep, keep the pace!
Run the race.
Keep the pace.
Keep your eyes on Jesus!

VBS Scripture:
"Run with the endurance the race that lies before us, keeping our eyes on Jesus, the source and perfecter of our faith." Hebrews 12: 1-2.
Registration will be Monday at 8:00 a.m. in front of First Baptist Church in Gorman.



David Harris spent most of his life as a rancher in Eastland county. While serving as a deacon at the Rising Star Church of

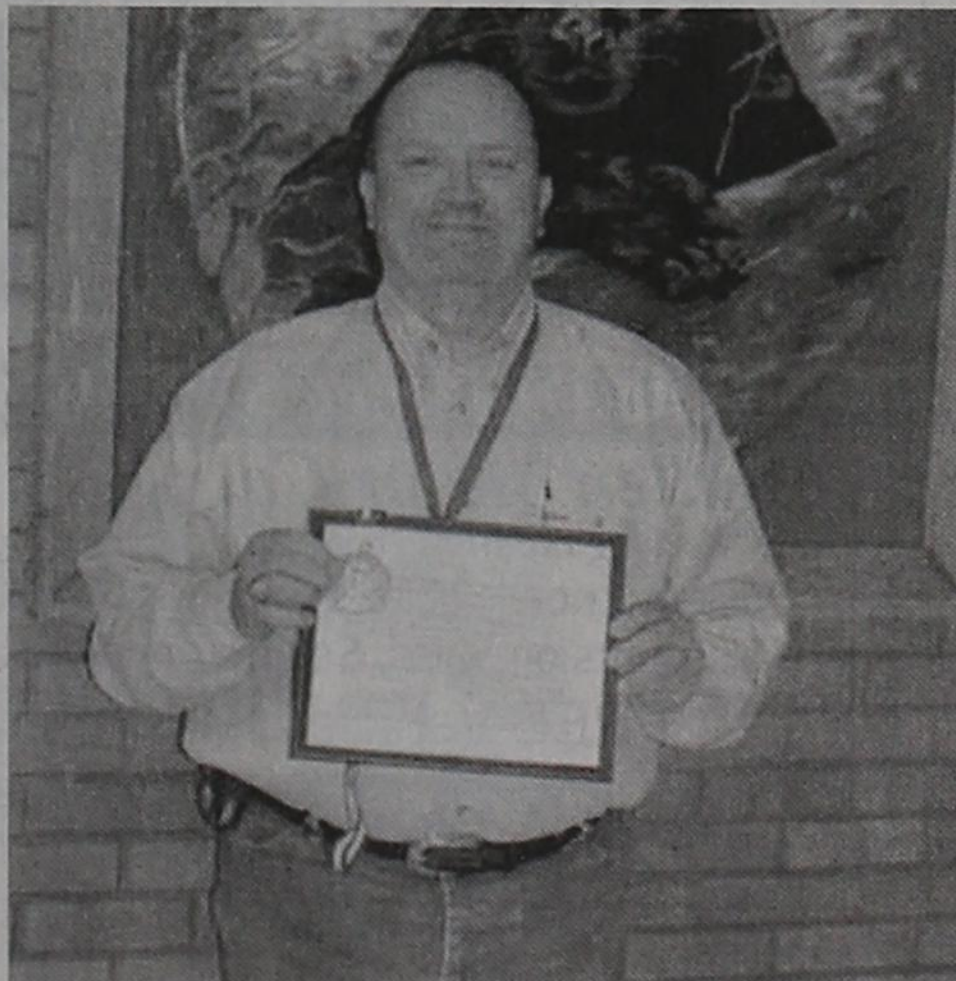
and Stewart congregation in Brownwood for six and a half years and currently is minister with the Hillcrest congregation in Stephenville. David will speak on Wednesday.

Christ, he filled the pulpit for many different congregations over a period of years. At the age of 45 he was offered the opportunity to preach full time. He worked with the Fourth
Everyone is cordially welcome! Please come and be with us each evening at 7:00PM at the Gorman Church, 419 N. Kent. Please come and bring a friend!

Masonic Lodge #716 of Gorman, Texas Presents Their Annual Lamar Awards



K'Ann Howard and Crystal Thackerson received the Lamar Medals and certificates this year as the top seniors in their class.



Mr. Panter received the Lamar Award for Educators this year. His dedication to our students and school made him the logical choice. He is appreciated!

Gorman Panther Sunglasses

The Band Boosters are taking orders for Gorman Panther Sunglasses. These are Oakley type sunglasses in blue and red metallic with Panthers on one temple and a panther on the other temple. The price for these glasses if preordered and prepaid is \$10. To order these glasses, please call 734-2849 or 734-6894. We will be ordering extra glasses. If you wait to purchase the glasses when they arrive, the price will be \$12.50 per pair.



Back row: Aaron Keith, Matt Underwood, and Audrey Johnston. Front row: Nicole Cogburn, Tyler Johnson, and Brittany Henderson

These juniors, sophomores, and freshmen received Lamar certificates for their academic achievements to this point in their high school career.

Mirabeau B. Lamar, the second president of the Republic of Texas, has been called "the father of the Texas public school system" for his leadership in establishing quality public education in Texas. Lamar was a member of the Masonic Fraternity, known then as it is today, for its strong support of excellence in public schools. This award recognizes the exemplary achievement of the recipient and they are all to be congratulated!

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.

GORMAN I.S.D. RECEIVES GRANT



Superintendent Perry applied for and receives a \$3,000.00 grant from the Texas Association of School Boards to use for security cameras on campus. Mr. Perry also won a defibrillator for the school valued at \$1,650.00 while at the TASB Risk Management Conference in Austin.



Local Brownies from Troop 246 finished up their year with an Award Ceremony and hot dog cookout in the City Park on Memorial Day. Pictured here L to R: Allie Gumbles, Katalina Landa, Briana Landa, Jessica Ledford, Christina Shawver, Kaleena Burt and Kayce Dodd.



Standing L-R: Debbie Martin, Bobbie McKillip, Linda Simmons, Francis Simpson, Jerry Underwood, Nell Moore, Joy Rogers, Aline Garrett, Gail Clayton, Floydene Gilbert. Seated L-R: Wynogene Smith, Christine Hammontree, Marie Patty and Ruth Rodgers. Not pictured are Monda Oldham, Dora Holland, Nell Alldredge and Carolyn Gilbert



Amanda Wilder Graduates

Mandi is the daughter of Monty and Julia (Stacy) Wilder and the niece of Scott and Nan Stacy. Mandi graduated May 25, 2007 from Lake Hamilton High School, Hot Springs, Arkansas.

Mandi's honors and activities are: Who's Who Among High School Students - 9 to 11; Civil Air Patrol - 9/10; Band - 9 to 11; Bowling - 10 & 11; Drama - 10/11/12; Thespians - 11/12; Quiz Bowl - 11/12; and Art 12.

Her hobbies are: Photography, theatre, music, reading, writing, surfing the internet, hanging out with friends and family and Jeepin with her brother.

Her future plans are to attend the local Community College to get her Associate Degree in Photography, then on to UALR for her Bachelor Degree, her long term plan is to become a Fashion Photographer.

Host Families Urgently Needed

Learn first hand about another culture with out leaving the United States, and establish a friendship that will last a lifetime. P.I.E. has international exchange students from over 40 countries arriving into the area for home stay programs. They need your help. The non-profit organization is looking for a few caring host families to share the American way of life. If you think you may be interested in hosting a foreign teen or being an area representative and would like more information about the program, please call Lajuan immediately at 1-866-783-6084.

Dorcas Class Luncheon Marks Last Meeting

The Dorcas Class held its last meeting for the Spring and a luncheon at the home of Carolyn Gilbert last week. The class concluded its study of the Minor Prophets of the Bible and received a synopsis of the work for their home libraries. A service as well as an educational group, the ladies concluded ongoing projects and made plans for activities which will continue in September. All ladies of the community and surrounding areas are cordially welcome to join the group this Fall. At that time they will begin a historical survey entitled "The Men of the Bible". Make plans now to attend!

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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 FMS87, 3 - 1 1/2 - 2 brick, 1444 sq. ft., C/H/A, 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.
NEW: 179 A, south Gorman, part wooded, part overgrown fields, lots of deer & hog sign, leased last season, small pond, sandy soil, elec., several wells. \$2,250 acre.
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- 100 A, water wells, pecan trees, cultivation, native pasture and hunting [S02] \$215,700
- UNDER CONTRACT-70 A, w/1,894sf(CAD) 3-2 brick home, [B01] \$396,500
- 52 A, w/2,854sf(CAD) 4-3 brick home, carport, 5 water wells, 3 stock tanks, corrals, bams [P01] \$250,000
- 51 A, highway frontage, spring creeks and hunting [R01] \$193,000
- 45 A, approx.33 A coastal, native pasture, minerals [W02] \$135,000
- 11 A, w/16'x70' mobile home, well, rural water, oak trees [R01] \$70,000
- 8.5 A, 1,800sf, 3-2 Metal Frame home, close to Proctor Lake, work shop, pipe & net wire fences, 2-water wells, underground sprinklers. [R02] \$265,000
- 5 A, 3-2 1600sf Frame Home, aboveground pool w/ deck, horse barn, additional acreage available [W01] \$159,000
- UNDER CONTRACT-3+ A, 1,780sf, 3-2 Mfg Home, rural water, 2-water wells, pecan trees, 660sf commercial bldg., highway frontage [H01] \$89,500
- 236± A, 2 wells, 3 tanks, approx. 26A in cultivation, coastal, native pasture, rolling terrain, minerals available, hunting [S02] \$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 [W01] \$950,000
- 250± A, 150 wooded, 100 coastal, on Coppereas Creek, lake, stock tanks, hunters cabin, 25hp pit pump, hwy. frontage, rural water [L01] \$850,000
- 243 A, Comanche Co, one reservoir, 14 irrigation wells, irrigation pit, highway frontage, cultivation, coastal, native pasture [A01] \$2,500 per acre
- 155± A, 3 water wells, 3 stock tanks, approx. 90 A cover, rest in native pasture [M02] \$427,075
- 150 A, rolling terrain, approx. 90 acres wooded, 4 waterwells, irrigation pit, stock tank, excellent deer and turkey hunting, Minerals. [L001] \$442,500
- UNDER CONTRACT-140 A, recreational, cattle, or horse, creek running thru, water wells, good fences, hunting deer, turkey, hogs, some farm eq. available, minerals negotiable, possible owner financing. [CS01] \$350,000
- 81A pecan orchard, approx. 900 improved variety trees, underground drip irrigation on, 9 wells [R01] \$326,000
- 60 A, stock tank, approx. 13 A wooded, coastal and hunting. [W01] \$165,000
- 3-2 Brick home, 1,638(CAD), 2-car attached garage, 2+ Acres, fireplace, CH/A, 2 storage buildings, storm cellar, 11 pecan trees [B02] \$105,000
- 3-2, 2,086sf(CAD) living area brick home with carport, large shaded lot, fireplace, metal roof, storage building [W01] \$105,000
- 3-2 approx. 1,500sf doublewide, screened porch, workshop, 2 wells, 2 large lots and older frame home [A02] \$135,000
- 3-2 frame home, 1,252sf(CAD) living area, Central heat & air, enclosed front porch, carport, fenced yard, gas fireplace [M01] \$27,500
- UNDER CONTRACT-Remodeled 2-1 approx. 1,000sf frame house with fenced yard, carport, shop, deck [W01] \$36,500
- Service Station, 150' on Hwy 377, 2 bays, 4 tanks, 7 pumps [WPH01] \$60,000
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The kind words of sympathy from friends, the many acts of kindness shown to our family will always be remembered during the loss of our loved one, Dorothy (Williams) Roberts.

Thanks to Donnie Nowlin and the wonderful staff at Nowlin Funeral Home for their loving support during this time.

Thanks to Bro. Barry Schahn and Bro. Tim White for the beautiful service. Thanks to Daryl Hirst for the lovely music, the songs were just perfect. Thanks for the many floral arrangements and the Memorial Gifts.

Thanks to the ladies that provided lunch for all the family at the Desdemona Baptist Annex.

May God Bless each and everyone.

The family of Dorothy Roberts,
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Oil Painting Class Concludes with Art Show

More than thirty five attended an Art Exhibit and Show which marked the end of the Oil Painting class conducted at the Fellowship Hall of the Gorman Church of Christ. The seven month series of classes were taught by Monda Oldham, who taught at Harding University schools in Arkansas before her retirement. A professional artist, she has also taught art privately. She was honored for her service to the class and the community by her students during the event. Thanks were also expressed to the church eldership for their support of the community program.



Pictured above are (Front Row) L-R: Mary Kirk, Monda Oldham, Instructor, Linda Dixon, Rose Hamilton, Nada Lewis. (Second Row) L-R: Edna Ann Powell, Eula Miears, Gail Clayton, Sussanne Rankin, Joy Rogers. Not pictured: Kay Johnson, Sheryl Weatherford, Kelly Lister, Suzan Lipson, Ri York, Carolyn Carney, Carolyn Gilbert, Asya York and Rebekah Powell. Also attending were Floydene Gilbert, Cheryl Westbrook and Mike Powell.

Happenings At FBC

Taking time to remember those who have fought and died for our country in past wars, and those who are still serving and reflecting on what a great country we live in and all of the privileges that are ours is something we should do more often and to give thanks for those privileges. We need to pass on to our children and grandchildren the great appreciation we have to live in the "land of the free".

Bro. Barry's sermon is entitled "Safe House" Psalm 31: 5-8 Fear is a terrible thing -- Fear keeps us from living life to the fullest. Also fear keeps us from pursuing our dreams, and fear causes us to settle for second best in life. Fear also keeps us from answering Gods call. We say "not me", or "not there" or "not yet". We need to conquer our fears and turn our lives around. Are we afraid we will look silly, or of what others will think, or afraid of being taken advantage of. There is a Place that is Safe -- It is a Place near the Heart of God!

Big News! Vacation Bible School - June 4-8. The Theme this year GAME DAY CENTRAL. Where Heroes Are Made, will get kids in the game and help them learn how to become heroes both on and off the field by focusing on Jesus and following God's plan for our lives.

Lad and Lassie Camp - June 15-16

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 -- erkie Gregg -- Joe Carr Lee

PRCA World Champion Bull Rider Scott Mendes To Speak

PRCA World Champion Bull Rider - Scott Mendes to be at Carbon Community Baptist Church "Deep in the Heart of Texas" VBS for family night on June 6, 2007.

Scott Mendes states that being a Professional Bull Rider, success is usually determined by what belt buckle holds up your Wranglers. Somehow he know that there was more to life than that. He learned of how Jesus lived His life here on earth and His gruesome crucifixion on the cross, and was intrigued how one man could take all of the world's sin upon Himself. That was the ultimate act of love. Scott states, "Without knowing that Jesus lives in my heart, I'm not sure where I would be today."

Scott's hometown is Springtown, Texas where he lives with his wife Angel and son Kaden and daughter Jorden.

For more information call Jody Forbus at 254-639-2560 for Vicki 254-639-2783 - www.westernharvestministries.com

Wright Reunion

Wright Reunion was held at Perry Hall in Dublin, Texas on Saturday, May 19th. We had a large attendance this year. Quite few missed this year sure missed lots of fun, good food. There was 30 in attendance this year, Gene and Verginia Wright of Lake Leon; Linda Hughes of Gorman, Shirley Warren of Dublin, Billy Stewart of Gorman, Lavelle Crowley of Gorman, Francis Wright and her two grandchildren, Chance and Sheldon of De Leon, Mike, Jana, Dustin, Calli Wright of De Leon; Sherrie Barefoot, Trinity and Baxter of De Leon; Sara Wright of Fort Worth; Larry Rodgers of Abilene; Marcelle Rodgers of Abilene; Randy and Sandy Wright of Stephenville; Kevin Wright and baby of Santo;

Doyle and Patsy Clark of Comfort; Cecil and Rena Robertson of Lake Brownwood; Dalton and Monie Fay Craddock of Stephenville.

Hope to see all of you the 3rd Saturday in May 2008 "Lord's Willing"

Monie Faye

Wrangler Belle Auditions

Auditions for the Cisco Junior College Wrangler Belles are scheduled for Sunday, June 3 on the Cisco Campus at 1:00 p.m. in the Vo-Tech 2 Building on Wrangler Drive. Students that are accepted into the group are recipients of an activity grant that ranges from \$1,600.00 to \$2,000.00 per year. The open auditions consist of learning a short jazz dance and kick series. Evaluations are based on learning and performing ability in a group situation. Solos are not required.

Formal dance and drill team experience is not a prerequisite to be a part of this unique dance team. If you like to perform and love to dance, this dance/drill team will be a very rewarding experience.

The CJC dance group is a close-knit organization with an emphasis placed on positive attitude and individual growth. The Wrangler Belles actively promote the College through numerous appearances around the Big Country. This organization also provides training in professionalism, individual character, poise, and self-esteem. Any young woman that would like to audition for the team should contact Debbie Baker at Cisco Junior College, (254) 442-5140, to confirm an appointment for the audition. Young ladies who are unable to attend this audition should make arrangements with the director to audition at another time.

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Kokomo News

By Zelda Jordan

I hope that everyone had a good Memorial Day holiday, and remembered those who have given their lives that we might enjoy the freedom that we have today.

We were blessed in the church service at the Kokomo Baptist Church on Sunday morning as we sang "The National Anthem" and "God Bless America" with Woodrow Browning leading us and Helen Browning at the piano. Then we were further blessed as Daryl Hirst sang "His Truth Is Marching On" with the congregation joining in on the chorus, and Denise Redman of Odessa, Lanice of Denison and Teresa Trammell of Edinburg sang "Near To The Heart Of God" with their mother, Sharon Davis of Odessa at the piano. Mrs. Davis is the daughter of the late Bro. and Mrs. Joe O'Neal, and we were happy to have them in the service with us.

Bro. Jim Haggard reminded us that this was the day to remember and honor those who have served our country, especially those who gave their lives for it, that we might enjoy the freedom that we have today. He also read Abraham Lincoln's Gettysburg Address. The title of his message was "They Still Speak" using John 15:13, Hebrews 11:1-13 and Romans 10:17 and several scriptures on faith. Faith comes by hearing and hearing by the Word of God. Without faith it is impossible to please God.

Bro. Haggard's message on Sunday night was "How To Get A Good Night's Sleep". Reading Psalm 3 and 4 he told of the testimony of the psalmist on how to lay down in peace and sleep. He used several other scriptures to tell how to have peace with God and with our fellow man and then we should have no trouble getting a good night's sleep.

We extend sincere sympathy to Joe Bond and family on the death of a sister who lived in Florida.

Sharon Davis of Odessa and her daughters, Denise Redman of Odessa, Lanice of Denison and Teresa Trammell of Edinburg enjoyed a Mother-Daughter retreat at the Davis Farm home here during the Memorial Day Holiday weekend.

Those visiting with Joe, Barbara, Michael, Falyn and Jayda Fields during the weekend were Teresa and Richard Nachtigall of Morgan Mill, Caylea and James Thomas of Gorman and Lisa Fields.

Ron and Laura Shelton of Sapulpa, Okla. visited with Oren and Norma Webb over the weekend and they all attended the birthday party for Aaron Suniga at Lake Proctor on Saturday.

AARON SUNIGA HONORED WITH BIRTHDAY PARTY

Oren and Norma Webb attended their great grandson, Aaron Suniga's birthday party at Lake Proctor on Saturday. Others helping Aaron celebrate his 4th birthday were his parents, Randall and Kaci Suniga and his little sister, Kaelee, his grandparents, Stacy and Renee Webb and Lewis and Valia Suniga. Others attending were Kish Suniga of Comanche, James Webb of Granbury, Chris Barnes of Denton, Ireland and Liberty Hugg of De Leon, Jacob and Alice Webb of Moody, Steven Bergmark and Homie Bergmark of Comanche and Ron and Laura Shelton of Sapulpa, Okla.

The theme for the party was "Fishing" and the birthday cake was decorated as a lake with a miniature fisherman on it. Aaron enjoyed opening the many birthday gifts. And all enjoyed boating, swimming and fishing during the day, and lots of good food.

LaVon Snider met Dwayne and Connie Snider of Stephenville in DeLeon for lunch on Sunday. Gene and Kay Snider visited with LaVon.

Glenda Black of Abilene, Ray White of Hawley and Zelda Jordan visited with Nancy Hendricks on Wednesday.

Glenda Black of Abilene and a friend, Ray White of Hawley visited with Zelda Jordan, and accompanied her to the Comanche hospital for a medical test on Wednesday. Zelda got a good report from the test. Cassie Nelson and Norma Webb also visited with Zelda. Cassie and Zelda were in Abilene on Thursday for a medical check-up for Zelda, (a follow-up from her knee surgery last year and she got a very good report), and a visit with Glenda, and Ray joined them for lunch at the Cracker Barrel. The ride home was no fun as it rained very hard all the way from Abilene to Kokomo, and there was some hail as we came off I-20 to highway 6, but thank the good Lord we made it without mishap.

My gauge was down, but I've heard reports throughout the community of 2.5 inches to 5 inches. I just know that it rained a lot. It rained again on Friday and a little on Sunday. The sun came out for a little while today, Monday, and it looked mighty good. We are thankful for the rain that we've gotten.

Desdemona News

By Vonnice Guthery

Desdemona "Country and Western" monthly musical was held last Saturday night at the Community Center School Building. We appreciate all the musicians, singers and visitors that attend each month. Also appreciate the ladies in our community that donate food each month to the Concession Stand. It takes each and everyone doing their part to keep our Community alive and going strong. Thanks again.

Virgil Holdman, Jr. and son, Trey of Fredricksburg visited the past weekend with his parents, Virgil and Jo Holdman.

Larry and Gay Moore and her father, "Shorty" Fox was in Graham last Friday to attend the funeral of Charles Thetford. He is survived by his wife, Wanda (Fox) Thetford of Graham. Wanda is a former resident of Desdemona where she attended school and graduated with the Class of 1957. Friends in Desdemona sends sincere sympathy to this family.

Gary and Dee Duke of Strasburg, Colorado visited last Sunday in Desdemona with his uncle and aunt, "Humpy" and Betty Duke. Also they visited in De Leon with other relatives. Gary is the son of Mary (Rice) Duke of Colorado and the late Vernon Duke.

Victor Cemetery Association held the Annual Meeting last Saturday, May 26. Even though it was a rainy day - everyone enjoyed lunch and visiting with family and friends under the nice Cemetery pavilion shelter. Several visitors came for the first time - they are relatives of the late Ewell M. Keith (son of the late Berry Moore "Coon" Keith and wife, Sarah Jane (Blair) Keith). Several of this family came from Phoenix, AZ., New Mexico and past of Texas. Thanks to all of the elected trustees of the association - they do a great job helping everyone and taking care of business.

John and Karen Fair and Lorin hosted a Family Cookout on Memorial Day. Those attending were Pug and Vonnice Guthery, Belinda Webb, Holly Guthery and daughter, Jade; Roy and Angela Powledge and son, Lane; Donal and Kandice Cogburn and son, Dylan all of Desdemona.

Have a nice day, Vonnice

Thank You

Thanks so much to the following businesses and individuals for their donations to the American Cancer Society: Gorman Progress, Panda's; Gorman Milling; Gorman Pharmacy; G&H Feeds; Bob's Grocery; Smith's Service Station; City Grocery; James Bruton; Betty and Jerry Overstreet; Verganna Holbrook and Carolyn Little.

A Special Thanks to my team members: Vicki Brown, Jeri Wilkerson, Tiffany Troutman, Molly Gaines, Julie Clark, Anna Lee Roberts, Becky Swanner, Angela Underwood and Pam Rice. Thanks also to Corky and Jerry Brown and Chuck Troutman.

Cheri Troutman

Super Notes

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

First let me apologize for not getting an article submitted the last couple of weeks. I have been and still am having some medical problems. I have a pinched nerve in my neck that is keeping me from doing a lot of writing on the computer. Hopefully, the problem will be eliminated in the near future. It is very painful and the end result may be surgery. Please keep me in your prayers.

This is the first time I've ever missed graduation, but I understand everything went well even though they had to hold in inside because of the rain. Congratulations to all of our graduates and thank you for being a wonderful class. It has been a privilege to serve you. Good luck with all the plans you've made!

I also want to thank my faculty and staff for another great year. I am already looking forward to next year. I expect the legislature to approve the EDA money we need for our building project this Sunday and we will be moving forward. Gorman ISD is a progressive school system and we intend to provide the very best for the children we serve now and in the future.

I especially want to thank Terry Treadway and Terry Nickels that work with me in my office. They are great at what they do! Their dedication and outstanding performance coupled with an outstanding administrative team (Rick Panter, Mary Reeves, Susie Hampton, and Paul Talbert) that support me, make my job much easier.

Thanks must also be extended to our school board: President - Bobby Rich, Vice President - Jeff Seaton, Secretary - Melinda Harrington, Larry Thompson, Mark Simmons, Beth Underwood, and Daryl Hirst that all want the very best for your children and provide us with everything we need in order to give your children the best education possible. We hate to say goodbye to Mr. Rich this year as he retires from the school board. He has served you well!

Last, but not least, I must thank you, the community that support our school. As I say in every article, it takes community involvement for a school to be successful and you are welcome to get involved at Gorman ISD anytime. This is your school; these are your children; and these children are your future! Your input is always welcome. Come help us shape the future. Thank you for all you do to support us. I promise that we will always do our best and I look forward to a great 2007-2008 school year!

Thankfully, I've had a weekend to reflect before sending this article to press and discovered three things for which I am extremely thankful for, yet have not mentioned. The first was celebrated Monday, Memorial Day. I am extremely thankful for the men and women that protect us and preserve our freedom. We are very blessed to live in a country full of brave, dedicated individuals willing to put their lives on the line for us. God bless you all!

Which is a nice segue to the next area for which I'm thankful; and that is God; my God and the right to worship him in a manner that I choose. The manner that I choose involves Jesus being the Son of God, and the Holy Spirit being that Spirit of God that lives in my heart; that Spirit that is sent down to everyone that accepts Jesus as their Lord and Savior. I'd better stop here. If you would like for me to share more of my beliefs with you, feel free to stop by my office anytime and I'll direct you to someone else much more qualified to explain Christianity to you.

The last thing that I forget to mention was my family of whom you may or may not be interested in, but they are extremely important to me. If you think I am a good superintendent of schools, then they are important to you because they affect they type of person that I am. My wife Vicki is responsible for much of the good you may perceive in me. She reminds me of things that I should and should not do and loves me unconditionally. It is not easy being the wife of the superintendent! I love her and she is greatly appreciated! We have two wonderful children: Adri is 22 and just finishing her Master's degree at Texas Women's University. We are very proud of her! Our son: Joshua is a teacher in Wylie, Texas and is married to Raegan. They have a wonderful son that we are doing our best to spoil. His name is Jake. He is 16 month's old and I just bought him his first golf clubs (Tiger look out). To do my job the very best that I can, it takes being supported 100% by my family and they do. I am so very thankful for them and the blessings they bring to my life.

This week's article is really a thank you card from me to everyone for whom I feel thankful for, for the wonderful year we've just experienced. If I have not mentioned you by name or the category in which you fall, please do not be offended for I thank you now if you help us in any way this year and hope that you will all help us in the coming year. God Bless you all!



Edna Ann Powell "The Basham House - 1901" and "A Little Bit of Heaven"



Sussanne Rankin "Sussanne Rankin's Home Place" and "Shelly's Barn"

Heritage Manor News

By Ina Smith

It is hard to believe June is nearly here. We have had a wonderful and busy May here at Heritage Manor.

We continue to make our ball point pens. Everyone that has made one is now "hooked" and stays busy sanding in their spare time. The invitation is still open for anyone to come and join us on Thursday mornings and see what fun it is.

Monday afternoon we held our Memorial Day Service. We not only remembered those who had died serving our country, but those who hold a special place in our hearts, friends, family members and residents who are no longer with us. Following the service we had Strawberry Short cakes with whipped topping. (Ina forgot the blueberries to finish off the red, white, and blue)

We continue to have gospel singing on Mondays at 2:30. Betty Duke comes on Tuesdays at 9:30. Bro. Larry Stogsdill comes for bible study at 9:00 on Wednesdays; Dannis comes on Thursdays at 9:00. We also play bingo on Tuesday and Wednesdays at 2:30 and at 10:00 on Friday. On Thursday and Friday at 2:30 we always have something going so please come and join us at some of these fun activities or just drop by for a visit.

Visiting Ima Boles were Bill Boles of Granbury, Betty Little, Jimmy and Verna Lee Little, and Bobby and Mary Jane Little. Visiting Mildred Addy was Becky Moore of DeLeon; Imogne Norris went to Carbon on Sunday for supper at the home of Ronnie and Jeanna Pack and also got to visit with her grandkids and great grandkids.

Troy Scitern went to Johnny and Joann Scitern's for lunch one day. Tommy and Laverne Carr of Whitney visited over the weekend.

Visiting with Lottie Morris was James Bruton and Louise Smart. Julie Hazel of Granbury and Jeff Smith of Eastland visited with their grandmother, Jelma Smith.

Freddie and Kay Rodgers visited Don Estes. Visiting with Lavona Sharp were her nephew, Weldon Pinkerton and his son of Round Rock, and Jerry Majors of DeLeon.

Art Show Photos

The following individuals exhibited their Oil Paintings at a recent Art Show at the Fellowship Hall of the Gorman Church of Christ.



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