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MAY 29, 2008

GHS And Elementary Graduation Ceremonies

Eighth Grade Promotion

Thursday, May 29, 2008

7:30 p.m.

Processional Class

Invocation
Jonathan Fenley

Salutatory
Asher J. Vaughn

Class History
Charley Little

Valedictory
McKenzie Osborne

Presentation of Certificates
LaTricia Hampton, Counselor
Rick Panter, Principal

Benediction
Cortney Shirley

Recessional Class



Nancy Velasquez
Salutatorian

Nancy Velasquez is the daughter of Maria Celia and Jose Antonio Velasquez. She was born on January 24, 1989 in Fort Worth.

Her future plans are to attend Cisco Junior College, take my basics and then transfer to Tarleton and continue my education.

She participated for 2 years on the Dance Team; 3 years in National Honor Society; 3 years in Band; 1 year in Spanish Club; 3 years in UIL; 2 years in PALS; and 1 year in One Act Play.

Her hobbies hanging out with friends and family, listening to music and sleeping.

Her favorite foods Mexican and Taco Bell food.

Her favorite music is anything that has a good sound.

Baseball Camp

The Gorman Panthers Baseball Camp is set for June 2 thru 5 - Monday thru Thursday at the Gorman High School Baseball Parks from 9 a.m. To 12 Noon. Cost for the camp is \$30.00. Camp will cover all phases of baseball with individual instruction. We will also have skills competitions in each age group. Awards will be given out 11 to 12 on Thursday (parents be there). Ages 6 Years Old To This Year 8th Grade Boys.

Registration is from 8 to 9 a.m. At Gorman High School Baseball Field on Monday, June 2. Camp open to all area baseball players. If you have a question call: Billy Fox at 893-5076.



Brandy Delane Carlton
Valedictorian

Brandy Delane Carlton is the daughter of Jerry and Denise Carlton. She was born on March 22, 1990 in De Leon.

She entered Gorman Schools in Kindergarten.

Her future plans are to attend Tarleton State University.

He honors include - First Team All-District Volleyball - Sr. year; First Team All-District Softball - Senior year; First Team All District Softball - Junior year; Second Team All-District Basketball - Senior year; Second Team All-District Basketball - Junior year; Second Team All-District Softball - Sophomore year; Track Regional Qualifier - Freshman and Senior years; PALS - senior year.

Her hobbies are playing basketball and baseball with my brother and eating.

Her favorite foods are mashed potatoes and all of my grandparent's cooking.

Her favorite music is Country.

Revival - FBC Desdemona

June 1-4 -- Sunday Morning at 11:00 am and each evening at 7:00 PM. Covered dish luncheon on Sunday, everyone welcome. Special Music every service. Evangelist: Ron Owen.

MOVING ON IS BITTER SWEET

(Paul Talbert - A.D. Gorman ISD)

As most of you have heard by now and I also know that news travels fast in small towns, I will be moving on at the end of this school year. I have taken an assistant job at East Central University in Ada, Oklahoma. It will be the first time in my career that I have traveled outside of Texas to coach the great game of football. I will be coaching on the defensive side of the ball and be in charge of the Special Teams as well. I'm very excited about the opportunity. The defense was ranked last in the Lone Star Conference this past season so we have no where to go but up.

I feel it is only fitting before I go to give thanks to all of those here in Gorman who deserve the recognition. First and foremost the student athletes of GISD. They were a true pleasure to work with and the things that they accomplished the last two years were extraordinary considering how far they came in such a short time. This year's senior class spearheaded what many people consider to be one of the best if not the best year in the schools athletic history. With many super kids returning next year and a boys junior high program that dominated every sport this year I would say the future looks very bright for the Gorman Panthers.

I have stated many times over the past two years how much I appreciate the opportunity to work with the best administration I've ever been a part of. GISD superintendent Mr. David Perry and high school Principal Mr. Rick Panter is a unique pair. They work very well together and have been able to accomplish a great deal in a short time. The thing that they both have that is their greatest attribute is the way they truly love children and always have their best interest at heart. Gorman is very lucky to have two such qualified people. The faculty is very supportive of the athletic program and have been a real pleasure to work with. Thank you Pam Childers and Jeanine Roemisch for all your help for all those times I could not have done it without you.

Although I had some top quality athletes to work with, one of biggest assets was a very good coaching staff. These individuals are all hard working and caring people who I believe are the best around. I appreciate the dedication and above all the loyalty and support they gave me as the athletic director for GISD. They are Billy Fox, Conon Emmons, Bill Bates, Tori Talbert and Denise Scott. Best of luck to them all.

Before I turn off the computer, I also would like to say a few kind words about some very special people. Starting with that bunch of coffee drinkers down at the drug store who are some of the Gorman Panthers biggest fans. Maxfield, Welch, Clark, Miers, and Simmons, just to name a few. Then the guys at the Taylor convenience store also always gave me a kind word or a pat on the back. I'll miss you guys and always talking about those Panthers's was fun. Thanks a bunch to

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Commencement

Friday, May 30, 2008

7:30 p.m.

Processional Senior Class
Invocation G. W. Maxfield
Salutatory Nancy Velasquez
Parent Recognition Senior Class
Valedictory Brandy Carlton
Presentation of Diplomas Rick Panter, Principal
David Perry, Superintendent
Melinda Harrington, President of the Board
Benediction David Perry, Superintendent
Recessional Senior Class

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH GORMAN PRESENTS:

Teen Challenge - Women's Choir - Sunday, June 8, 2008

Teen Challenge is the largest and most successful organization of its kind in the world. They help people with life-controlling problems overcome through the power of Jesus!

The Trophies of Grace is their women's choir from San Antonio Teen Challenge. They travel to different churches and share the ministry of Teen Challenge through song and testimony. The students sing and share their personal testimonies of the saving grace of our Lord Jesus Christ. These services not only give an opportunity to tell about the ministry, but they also allow them to minister to the members in the congregation who may have been affected by the drug epidemic. The testimonies of these saved lives will both challenge and inspire you to believe God for those impossible circumstances in your own lives.

We welcome all churches and their youth.

Serving the Lord, Bro. Barry Schahn - 254-734-2420

"Meal Provided After Service"

Trade's Day and Flea Market At Old Desdemona School, Saturday, May 31 - 8 to 6

Gorman Church of Christ Features Well Known

Minister Ray Young in Gospel Meeting June 1-4



Ray Young and his wife Sonya (far right) is shown with friends Wayne and Phyllis House of Comanche at last year's lectureship at the Gorman Church of Christ. Ray will return this year as featured speaker for the church's Gospel Meeting which will be held June 1-4. Evening services begin at 7:00PM. All are cordially invited to attend.

Gorman Church of Christ 419 North Kent Street June 1 - 4, 2008

Ray Young, Sunset International Bible Institute and Adventures in Missions, Lubbock, Texas
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Sunday, June 1

10:00AM Bible Class "Salt and Light"
10:45 Sermon "Blessed"
6:00PM "Inside Out?"

Monday, June 2

7:00PM "Do You Really Want to LIVE?"

Tuesday, June 3

7:00PM "Can I Really Forgive?"

Wednesday, June 4

7:00PM "More Than Talk"

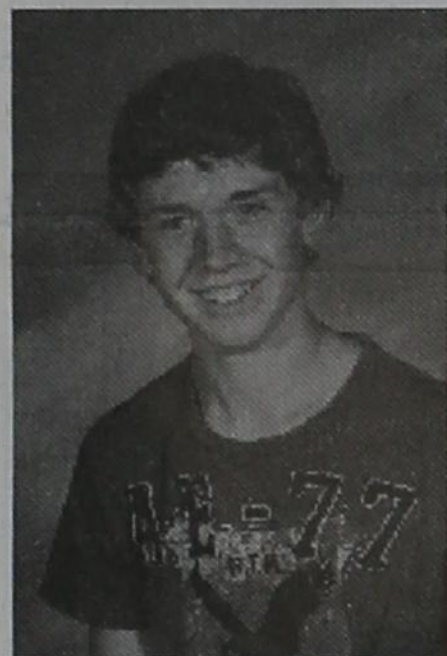
Community Blood Drive Wednesday, June 4th

A Community Blood Drive will take place on Wednesday, June 4. The Meek Blood Center Bloodmobile will be at the City Park from 1:00 until 6 p.m.

"Summertime is always a challenge for us," said Frances Baker, donor recruiter. "We depend heavily on high school and college students to help maintain the level of inventory necessary to supply blood to fifteen hospitals. We don't have those donors during the summer months, so we must ask members of the communities we serve to help fill the void." "There is no substitute for human blood," Baker continued. "One hundred percent of the blood we collect is given by volunteer donors who give blood out of the goodness of their hearts."

Donors must be at least 17 years old, weigh a minimum of 110 pounds and in good health. All donors are required to present a photo ID.

Each donor will receive a T-shirt, free mini-physical and total cholesterol test.



Asher Jeremiah Vaughn
Salutatory



McKenzie Kay Osborne
Valedictory

EIGHTH GRADE CLASS

Collin Cade Cole
Jonathon Lamar Fenley
Matthew Kyle Fox
Maria Delores Garcia
Nathan Tye Gee
Chalsea Dawn Griffin
Sergio Hipolito
Carlie Rae Jackson
Raven Cheyenne Kehl
Emilie Elizabeth Kristoffersen
Karla Ivette Lara
Charley Allyssa Little
Erica Ortiz Madera
Mallory Denise May

Rebekah Lauren Powell
McKenzie Kay Osborne
Jeffery Dean Rainey
Joshua Samuel Ryon
Daniel Garrett Sherman
Cortney DeAnn Shirley
Katey Marie Thackerson
James Michael Thomas
Stetson McCrae Thompson
Asher Jeremiah Vaughn
David Alejandro Velasquez
Nicolas Alvarado Velasquez
Jonathan Chance Whitten
Trevor Dean Williams

Traci Keith and James Gerick To Pledge Vows



Ms. Traci D'Ann Keith and Mr. James Edward Gerick wish to announce the engagement and approaching marriage. A July 12th wedding is planned at St. Mary's Church outside of Stephenville.

OBITUARIES

CECIL E. PERKINS

Cecil E. Perkins, 70 of De Leon, passed away peacefully at home on Thursday, May 22, 2008.

Graveside Services were 10:30 A. M. Monday, May 26th at the Sipe Springs Cemetery with Kenneth Wilson officiating.

He was born on January 6, 1938 in Brownwood to the late Cecil A. Perkins and Martha D. Sessions Perkins. He married Mildred Louise Roberts on July 23, 1955 in Dallas.

Mr. Perkins was a machinist, tool and die maker, salesperson for carpenter manufacturing company; had resided in the Sipe Springs area since 1988, having previously lived in Grand Prairie; he was a 32nd Degree Mason and a member of Sipe Springs and Hamilton Lodges. He was of the Church of Christ faith.

He is survived by his wife, Mildred Louise Perkins of Sipe Springs; three daughters, Susan Perkins and husband Jim Smith of Maypearl, Tx, Debra McDowell and husband Jackie and Christi Bennington and husband Chris, both of De Leon; one sister, Elaine Easterling of Lake Whitney; 14 grandchildren, Stacy Alvarado-Smith, Gabe Alvarado, Cody Smith, Byron Smith, Donna Ahrlert, Dalynn Knox, Jeremy Knox, Crystal Cummings, Misty Lenamond, Cecil Perkins, Jr., Zoe Perkins, Carolyn Bennington, Catheryne Bennington, Christyan Bennington; and 13 great-grandchildren: Tabitha Love-Alvarado, Colton Deal-Smith, Sarah Smith, Grayson Smith, Robbie Ahrlert, Eryk Ahrlert, Acacia Ahrlert, Kennedy Retton, Paige Retton, Bailey Retton, Ali Howell, Kole Gardiner, and Lainie Lenamond.

He was preceded by his parents, one son Cecil Ray Perkins and one grandson, Gavin Perkins.

Pallbearers were Edward Millwee, "Dock" Green, Casey Hudleston, Jimmy Dale Johnson, Larry Anderson and C. J. Roitsch.

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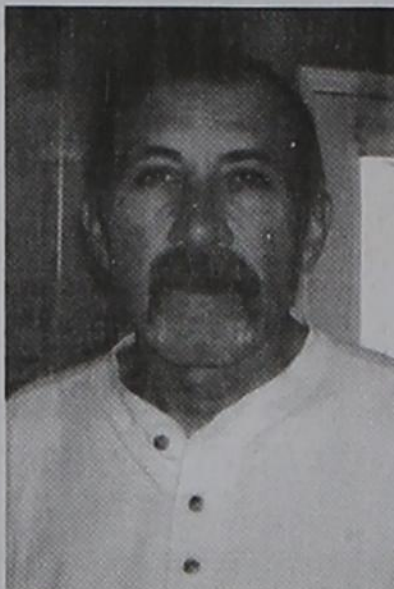
JIMMY PEREZ

Jimmy Perez, 53 of Meridian, Idaho, passed away on May 23, 2008.

Services were held in Meridian, Idaho on Monday, May 26th..

He was survived by his mother, Lyleen Perez of Gorman; three brothers; Joe Perez of Barnesville, MN, Tim Perez of Gorman and Silver Perez of Gorman; a sister, Sue Madison of Oarr, Texas and several cousins.

He was preceded in death by his father, Joseph Perez, Sr.



EVAH SPARKMAN

Evah Sparkman, 97 of Desdemona, passed away peacefully at home with her family by her side on Friday, May 23, 2008.

Services were 10:00 A. M. Tuesday, May 27th at the First Baptist Church in Desdemona with Gary Hughes and Tim White officiating. Burial was in Desdemona Cemetery.

She was born on May 4, 1911 to Homer and Buna Fuqua Abernathy. She was a life long resident of Desdemona. She was a life long servant to the First Baptist Church of Desdemona. She married Jessie Joe Sparkman on December 22, 1927. He preceded her in death on December 30, 1969.

She is survived by her son, Homer Joe Sparkman of Stephenville; four grandchildren, ten great grandchildren and five great-great grandchildren. She was preceded in death, by her brother, Melvin Abernathy; sister, Eva Alread; daughter-in-law, Johnnie Ruth Sparkman; granddaughter, Paula Renee Carter; and great grandson, Micheal Ray Carter.

A light has left this earth to take her place among the stars in heaven. She will be deeply missed by all.

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- 455 A, wells & tanks, creek, tree covered hills, wildlife cover, hunting, Hwy.6 frontage \$1,912,000 [RS01]
- 250± A, on Copperas Creek, 150 wooded, 100 coastal, lake, tanks, cabin, hwy. frontage, rural water \$850,000 [LB01]
- 243 A, reservoir & wells, irrigation pit, highway frontage, cultivation, costal, native pasture \$2,500 per acre [AB01]
- 236± A, wells & tanks, rolling terrain, minerals available, hunting \$2,195 per acre [DS02] - UNDER CONTRACT
- 231 A, on Leon River, wells, pecan trees, hunting, minerals available \$751,530 REDUCED \$665,280 [DK01]
- 150 A, rolling terrain, minerals \$442,500 [L001] - SOLD
- 100 A, approx. 95 A of costal, 5 A wooded, and stock tank. Located about 1/2 mile off Hwy.36 \$275,000 [W01]
- 90 A, 4-3 Brick Home, fireplace, game room, RV shed, well & tank, minerals neg. \$397,500 REDUCED \$392,500 [BE01]
- 81 A, Pecan Orchard, approx. 900 improved variety trees, underground drip irrigation, 9 wells \$405,000 [REMO1]
- 52 A, 4-3 Brick Home, carport, wells & tanks, corrals, barns \$250,000 REDUCED \$239,500 [LPO1]
- 51 A, with highway frontage, spring creek and hunting 182,000 [RPO1]
- 47± A, 1-1 Rock Home, hand dug well, rural water, wildlife cover, coastal, hunting, minerals negotiable \$175,000 [WMO2]
- 45 A, 7 irrigation wells & pit, buried mainline w/risers, mineral available \$2,750 per Acre [NFO1]
- 30 A, 3-2 1/2 Custom Built Home, garage, porch, RV shed & shop, barn, wells & tanks, Hwy.16 frontage \$450,000 [PBO1]
- 25.6 A, 4-2 1/2 Brick Home, garage, carport, storage buildings, water well & tanks \$210,000 [JBO3] - UNDER CONTRACT
- 24.5 A, on Flat Creek, with water well, native pasture, close to highway \$98,000 [MP01] - UNDER CONTRACT
- 20 A, Pecan Orchard, hwy. frontage, rural water available, Owner will divide \$5,000 per Acre [SH01]
- 20 A, excellent home site, costal, rural water supply available, hunting, minerals negotiable \$75,000 [WMO1]
- 14±A, 3-2 Brick Home, fireplace, fenced yards, garages & storage buildings \$180,000 [FW01] - UNDER CONTRACT
- 8.6 A, 3-2 Frame Home, water well, above ground pool with deck, horse barn \$129,900 [KJ01]
- 8 1/2 A, 3-2 Metal Frame Home, near Lake Proctor, work shop, wells, underground sprinkler system \$265,000 [JTO2]
- 7± A, Metal Building on slab, large oak trees, pecan orchard, hwy. frontage, water well \$65,000 [FW02] - UNDER CONTRACT
- 5 A, 4-2 Brick Home, metal roof, carport, storage buildings, pecan trees, wells & tanks \$120,000 [WKO1]

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- 3-2 Double Wide, screened porch, workshop, wells, 2 large lots and older frame home \$135,000 [JA02]
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- 2-1 Frame Home, 0.621 Acres, close to Tarleton, 2-car attached carport, storage building, fenced yard \$92,500 [RS02]
- 2-1 1/2 Frame Home, garage, storage building \$75,000 [ST01]
- 3-2 Doublewide, 2/car carport, on 3+ lots \$70,000 [LKO1]
- 2-1 Frame Home, 2.3 A, screened porch \$55,000 [GB02]

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NEW: 38 A M/L south Gorman: Fronts FM 679, about 10 A. large Pecan Trees, nice location for pond, good fences, sandy land. \$2,500 Acre

40 A m/l, south Gorman, pasture, fenced, small cabin, water well, small pond, elec., sandy soil, paved road. \$2,750 acre.

NEW: 77A Sipe Springs, deer, turkey & 2 stocked ponds, Live and Post Oak, mineral rights. Insulated 30x40 steel Bldg., a/C, 7 living quarters. Nice Getaway! \$3,250 A. 49.83 A. west Gorman, large oak, paved road, birding spots, country water/elec. available, fenced, ponds, barn/corral, great hunting, pretty place! \$2,900 ACRE

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NEW: 156 A. Carbon, 1/2 wooded - 1/2 fields, deer, turkey, 3 ponds, nice 2 - 2 mh, central a/c, barn, corral, county water. \$4,000 acre.

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JACQUELINE LUCIA GARCIA

Jacqueline Lucia Garcia, 6 months old of Desdemona, passed away on Saturday, May 24, 2008.

Graveside Services were 10:00 A. M. Tuesday, May 27th at the Desdemona Garden of Memory with Father Phillip McNamara assisted by Tim White.

She was born on November 1, 2007 to Juan Garcia and Romeia Escobar Garcia of Desdemona.

She is survived by her parents, Juan and Romeia Garcia of Desdemona; two brothers, Ismael Garcia and Luis Alfredo Garcia, both of Desdemona; grandparents, Romeia and Alfredo Escobar of Desdemona, Lucia and Juan Garcia of Mexico and great-grandparents, Enriqueta Mejia and Martin Garcia.

BILLY JOE HARE

Billy Joe Hare, 75 of De Leon, passed away on Thursday, May 22, 2008 at Denton Regional Medical Center. Services were Sunday, May 25th at 3:30 p.m. at De Leon First Baptist Church with David Kelly officiating. Music by Daryl Hirst. Burial was in Garden of Memory, Comanche Co.

He was born on August 8, 1932 in Gorman to the late James C. "Slim" Hare and Irene Kirk Hare. He married Evelyn Carruth on June 11, 1950 in De Leon.

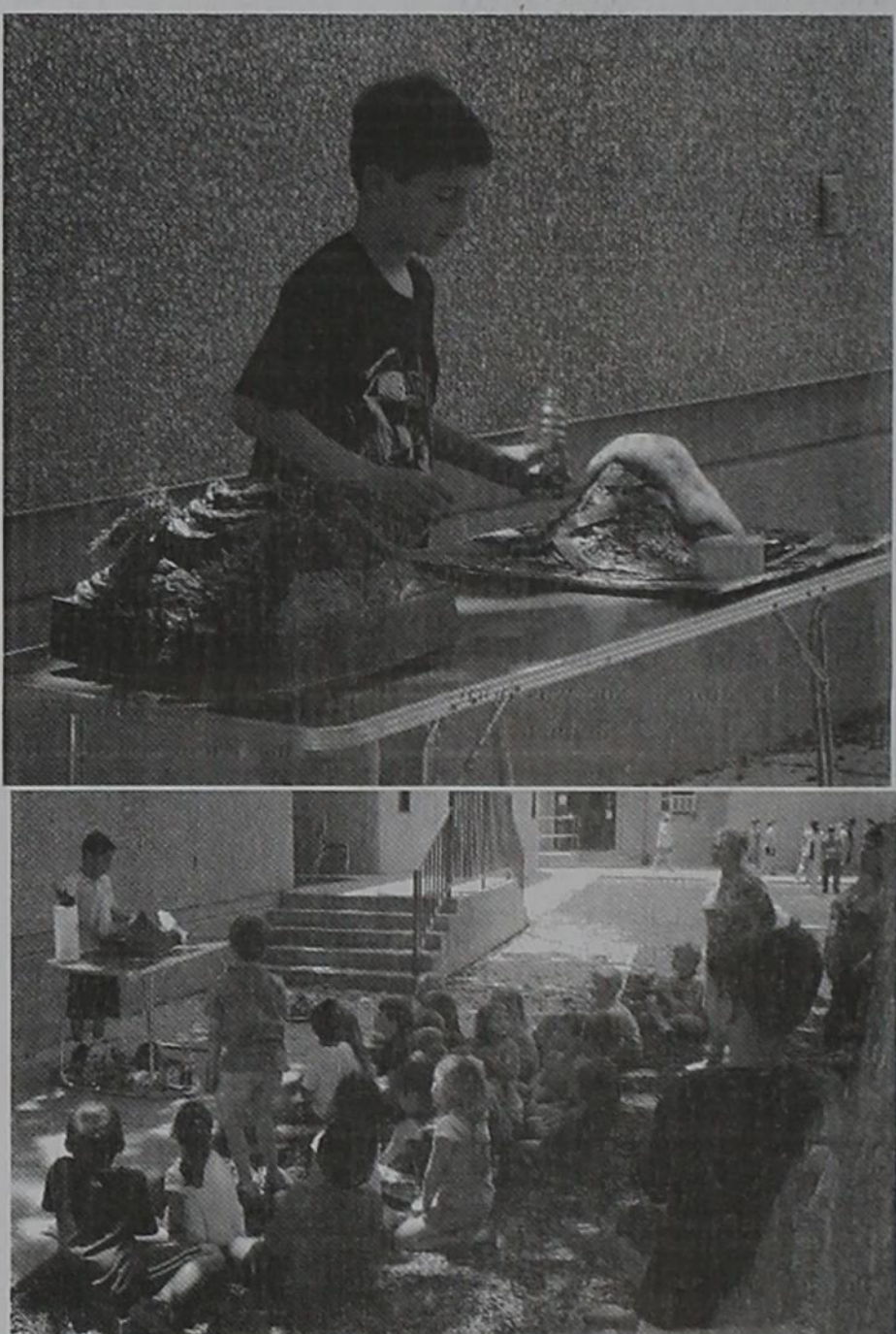
He was a farmer, rancher. A member of De Leon First Baptist Church; and a lifelong resident of De Leon.

He is survived by his wife, Evelyn Hare of De Leon; two sons, Cliff Hare and wife Helen of Denton and Steve Hare and wife Trish of Ardmore, OK.; One daughter Cathy Hare of Stephenville; 2 granddaughters, Heather Hare and Jenny Hare.

He was preceded by his parents, one brother, Carroll "Rabbit" Hare.

Pallbearers were Cuco Pacheco, R. W. Howard, Sam Sparger, Archie Frost, Melvin Skaggs, Ernie Escamilla, Terry Stephens. Honorary Pallbearers were Deacons of De Leon First Baptist Church.

Volcanos As Maxfield Elementary



The third grade classes have been busy studying about earthquakes and volcanoes. They have researched information about volcanoes all over the world using the computer and built their own models from many different materials. They have enjoyed giving demonstrations for kindergarten, first grade, and second grade.

The students who gave a presentation for kindergarten were Shawn Reyes, Dakota Crowder, Sam Rainey, Danny Limon, Izael Herrera, and Kendle Coan.

Garage Sale -- 715 N. Ector

Saturday, May 31 starting at 8:00 a.m.

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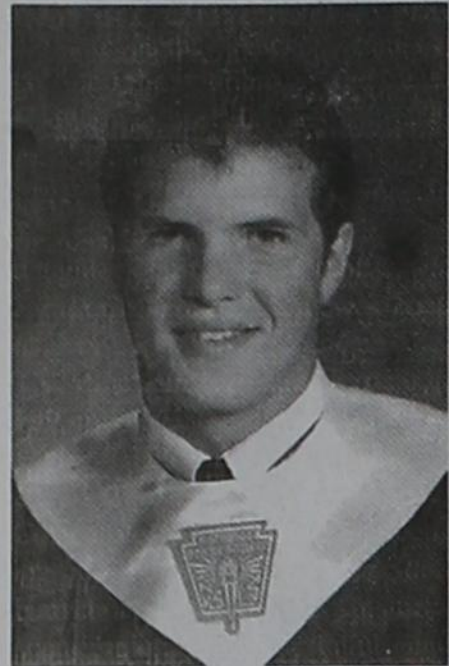
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Aaron Keith

Aaron Keith, son of Traci Keith was born January 10, 1990 in De Leon, TX.

He entered Gorman Schools in 1994.

He plans to attend Tarleton State University and become a Physical Therapist.

Aaron participated in Football for 4 years; Baseball for 4 years; Basketball for 4 years; Track - 2 years; Cross Country - 1 year; Golf - 2 years; National Honor Society - 2 years; and PALS.

His hobbies Sports, camping with friends and just being with my friends.

His favorite food is Mexican and Chinese.

His favorite music is Rap.



Nicole Lea Cogburn

Nicole Lea Cogburn is the daughter of Doc and Kay Cogburn. She entered Gorman Schools in 1994.

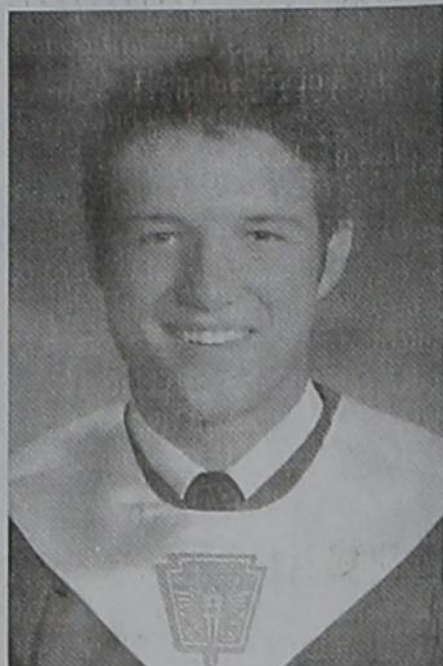
Her future plans are to attend Cisco Junior College and work to help pay for College.

She participated in Volleyball for 4 years - (Senior year - Regional Semi-finalist); Basketball for 4 years; Powerlifting - (Junior year, Regional Qualifier, Senior year State Qualifier); Track and Field (Area Qualifier - 4 years/ Regional Qualifier Junior and Senior year); Tennis (Sophomore and Junior year); NHS, UIL (metalled in District Junior and Senior years).

Her hobbies are sports, listening to music, going to church, swimming and fishing.

Her favorite foods Mexican food and mashed potatoes.

Her favorite music is everything but polka.



Corey Don Clark

Corey Don Clark, is the son of Julie and Darren Clark. He was born June 1, 1990 in Eastland, TX.

He entered Gorman Schools in Kindergarten.

He plans to attend Angelo State University in San Angelo, possibly in the Medical Field.

Corey has participated in National Honor Society, UIL, Mr. GHS, Bankboard, 1st Team Offense and Defensive Line - All four years; 1st Team All State Offensive Line - Senior year, PALS, Honorable Mention in Basketball 4 years; An Honors in Baseball for 4 years; and Student Council.

His hobbies are hunting, fishing, playing the guitar.

His favorite foods are anything and everything.

His favorite music is Country, Texas Country, Rock and Rap.



Mary Kathryn Powell

Mary Kathryn Powell is the daughter of Bob and Deann Powell. She was born on February 25, 1990 in Stephenville. She entered Gorman Schools in Kindergarten.

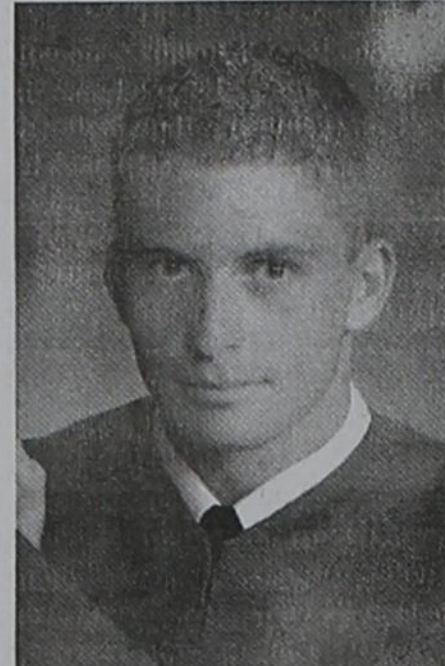
Her future plans are to go to McMurry University in Abilene.

She participated in Track and Field; Regional Qualifier - Freshman, Sophomore, Junior Years; Cross Country Regional Qualifier - Freshman and Sophomore Years; PALS and National Honor Society.

Her hobbies are eating, sleeping, working out and hanging out with my friends and family.

Her favorite foods are fried pickles.

Her favorite music is Country and Rock.



Tony Andrew Perez

Tony Andrew Perez, son of Sam Perez. He was born March 20, 1990 in Eastland, Tx.

He plans to keep my job at the School and go to college at CJC for a semester then transfer to TSU.

Tony participated in Football and Track.

His hobbies are playing the guitar and fixing things.

His favorite food is Mexican Food.

His favorite music is Rock, Alternative and Metal.



Tecia Enice Jones

Tecia Enice Jones is the daughter of Tammy Wiseman and Michael Jones, Jr. She was born on May 28 in De Leon. She entered Gorman School in 1995.

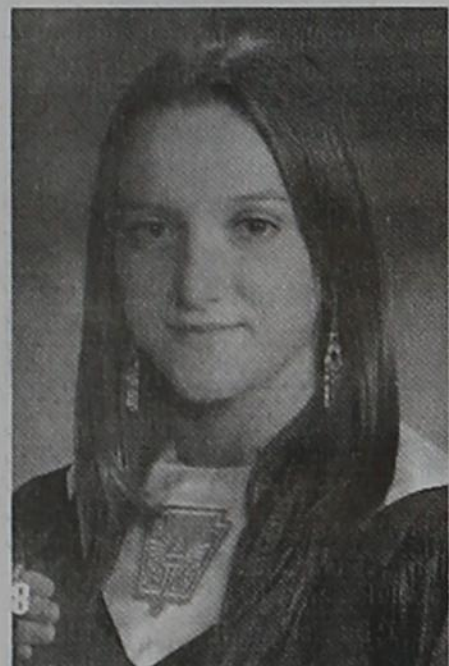
Her future plans are to attend Tarleton State University and major in Engineering.

She participated in Volleyball, Basketball, Track, Softball, Cheerleading, UIL, National Honor Society, One Act Play, Tennis, Powerlifting, Yearbook Staff and Student Council.

Her hobbies are napping, eating, playing sports, hanging out with my friends.

Her favorite foods are anything and everything.

Her favorite music is Everything.



Megan Lewis

Megan Lewis is the daughter of Brad and Carol Lewis and Paula Horton. She was born on May 8, 1990 in Stephenville, TX. She transferred to Gorman in 1995.

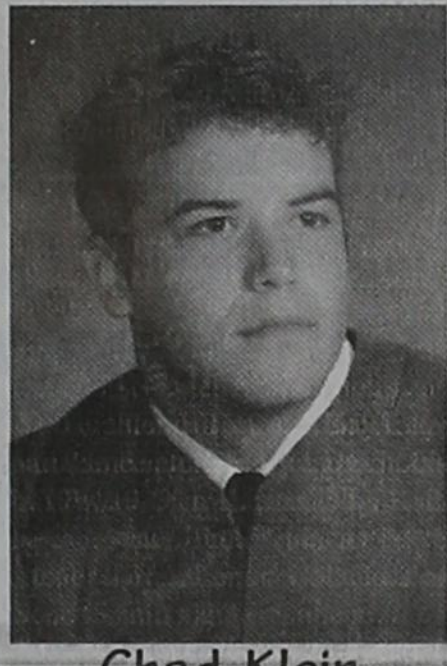
Her future plans are to attend Cisco Junior College, take Cosmetology, CJC Cheerleading and then attend Tarleton State University and major in Business Management.

She participated in Volleyball, Basketball, Softball, Track, Tennis, Powerlifting, Cheerleading, One Act Play, National Honor Society, UIL, and Student Council.

Her hobbies are shopping, eating, going to the Movies, hanging out at the Lake, Camping, and anything outdoors.

Her favorite foods are anything at Olive Garden, Chicken Strips, mashed potatoes and just about anything except Chinese.

Her favorite music is what ever comes in clear on the radio.



Chad Klein

Chad Klein, son of Curtis Klein and Tori Briscoe was born December 7, 1989 in Dallas, TX.

He transferred from Eastland High School and entered Gorman Schools in Fall of 2007.

He plans to attend Tarleton State University.

Chad participated in Varsity Basketball - 1 year; Varsity Football - 3 years; PALS - Senior Year; First Team All-District Tight End; First Team All-District Line Backer; District 12A - Defensive MVP; Big Country Defensive MVP; All-State Defensive Player of the Year; First Team All-State Linebacker; FCA All-Star Classic - South Squad Linebacker and Early Graduate.

His hobbies are wakeboarding, working out, hanging out with friends.

His favorite food is Anything.

His favorite music is Rap, Rock and Texas Country.



Michaela Brooke Burns

Michaela Brooke Burns, daughter of Kristi Cloud and Michael Burns was born January 10, 1990 in De Leon, TX.

She transferred from De Leon and entered Gorman Schools in 2006.

She plans to attend Midland College and be a Vet. Tech.

Michaela participated in Softball and Basketball.

Her hobbies include spending time with family and friends and playing with my dogs.

Her favorite food is Mexican and Italian.

Her favorite music is All.



Carlos Gutierrez

Carlos Gutierrez, is the son of Juan and Jackie Gutierrez. He was born January 31, 1990 in Comanche.

He entered Gorman Schools in 1994.

He plans to attend Cisco Junior College and getting a degree in Criminal Justice.

Carlos participated in UIL, Tennis for 2 years, Basketball for 3 years, PALS, One Act Play for 2 years, National Honor Society and Spanish Club.

His hobbies Sports, swimming, ridding my 4 wheeler, and chillin with my friends.

His favorite food is any type of Bacon Cheeseburgers.

His favorite music is Metal and Rap.



Shanna Hair

Shanna Hair, is the daughter of Sherri and Bill Hair. She was born December 18, 1989 in Abilene.

She transferred from Merkel Elementary and entered Gorman Schools in 1998.

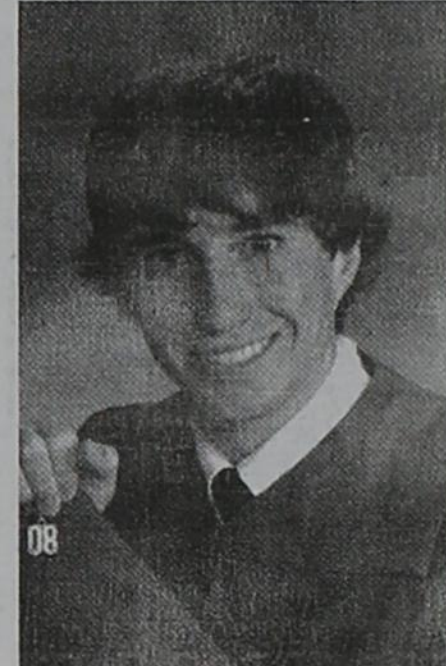
She plans to attend Cisco Junior College then transfer to either Angelo State or Midwestern University to become a Marine Biologist.

Shanna participated in Band; all four years; UIL competition; also was awarded the President Award of Academic Achievement my Junior year.

Her hobbies include movies, music, watching the Gorman Panthers.

Her favorite food is Taco Beuno, China Express, and anything with Italian.

Her favorite music is Texas Country, Rap and Hard Rock.



Zack Barrett Fox

Zack Barrett Fox, is the son of Billy and Pam Fox. He was born March 9, 1990 in De Leon, TX.

He transferred from De Leon Schools to Gorman Schools in 2006.

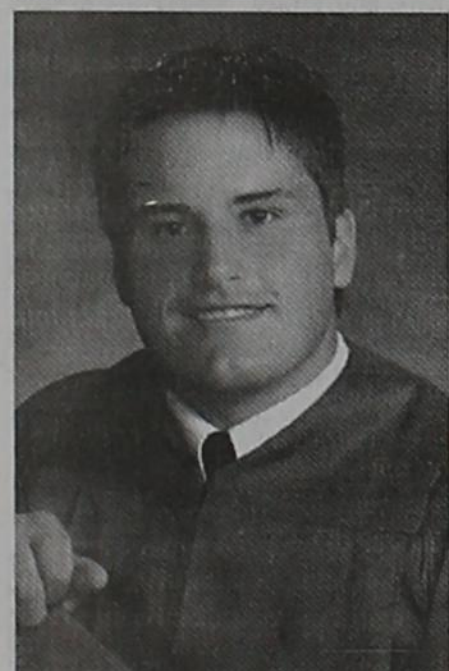
He plans to attend CJC.

Zack has participated in Football, Basketball, UIL, Track, Baseball and Tennis.

His hobbies are hanging out with friends and playing sports.

His favorite foods are anything and everything.

His favorite music is Everything.



Seth Allen Johnson

Seth Allen Johnson, son of Johnny Johnson and Vicki Brown was born January 12, 1990 in Eastland, TX.

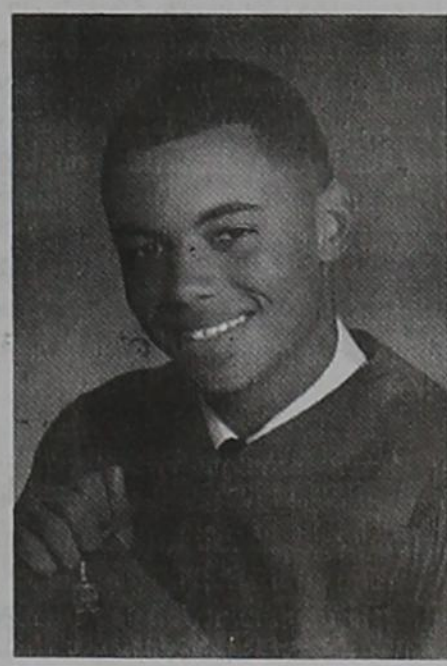
He entered Gorman Schools in Kindergarten.

He plans to attend Cisco Junior College and go there as long as they will let me.

Seth participated in Football for 4 years; Basketball for 2 years; Track - 3 years; One Act Play - 2 years; Golf - 1 year and UIL - 1 year.

His hobbies working out, hunting and tear 'n things up. I like spending time with my family and friends.

His favorite food is any



Paul Burt

Paul Burt, son of Walter and Janice Burt. He was born August 6, 1989 in Kansas City, Kansas.

He entered Gorman Schools in 2002.

He plans to join the Air Force.

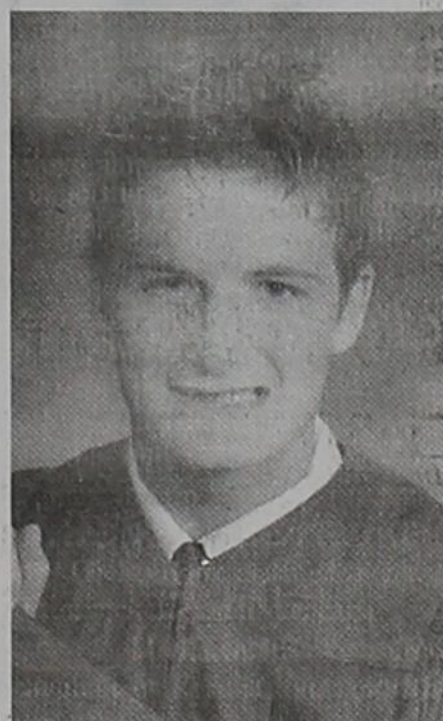
His hobbies are texting, hanging out with friends.

His favorite food is Chinese Food.

His favorite music is Pretty much everything.

thing that doesn't eat me first.

His favorite music is Country and Rock.



Clinton Oliver

Clinton Oliver, son of Barbara and Gary Snapp. He was born May 5, 1989 in Eastland, TX.

He entered Gorman Schools in 2007.

He plans to join the Air Force and go to College.

Clinton participated in Football, First Team Defensive End and Tight End, FCCLA, Basketball and Track.

His hobbies are Video Games.

His favorite food is Monster Energy Drinks and Mike and Ike, Chicken Fried Steak.

His favorite music is Rock.



Orlando Valenzuela

Orlando Valenzuela, is the son of Maria and Orlando Valenzuela. He was born April 5, 1989 in Eastland, TX.

He entered Gorman Schools in 1993.

He plans to attend CJC.

Orlando has participated in Football, Basketball, Tennis, Track, Student Council, Powerlifting and UIL.

His hobbies are eating, sleeping and going shopping.

His favorite foods are Pizza, Burgers and Chinese Food.

His favorite music is All Music.



Daniel Shirley

Daniel Shirley, son of David and Kathryn Shirley was born April 22, 1990 in Lufkin, TX.

He transferred from Lufkin Middle School; he entered Gorman Schools in 2004.

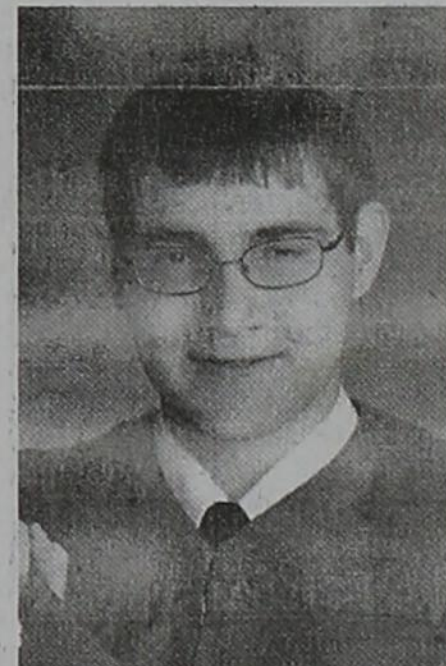
He plans to attend Tarleton State University.

Daniel participated in Football, Powerlifting, Baseball, UIL and FFA.

His hobbies Sports, Fishing and Hunting.

His favorite food is Pizza.

His favorite music is Country.



Trey Underwood

Trey Underwood, son of Ted and Beth Underwood was born May 23, 1990 in De Leon, TX.

He entered Gorman Schools in 1994.

He plans to attend CJC and major in engineering.

Trey has honors in History, College Algebra; Trig., Spanish Club, U.I.L., Musical instrumental.

His hobbies are video games, hunting and reading.

His favorite foods are deer meat, beef and Italian.

His favorite music is Rock (1980 - 2008)

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M. Esther Cruz

M. Esther Cruz is the daughter of Macia de Jesus and Aurekano Cruz. She was born on October 23, 1989 in Jalisco, Mexico. She entered Gorman Schools at the end of 1995.

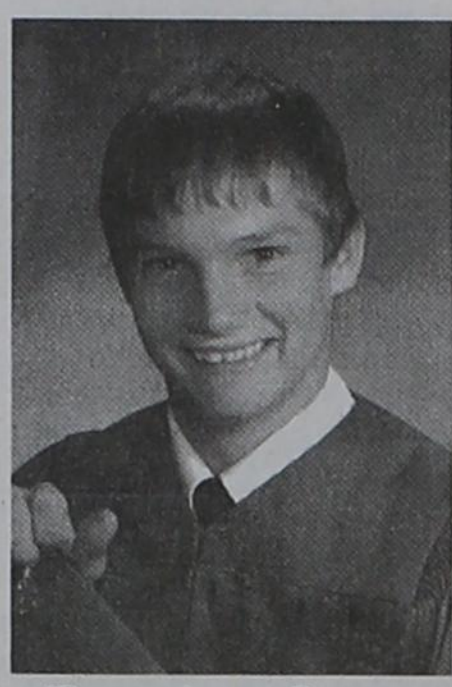
Her future plans are to attend College and continue working to pay for my education.

She participated on the Dance Team as Co-Captain for 2 years; Spanish Club and was Secretary 1 year; PALS for 1 year; UIL for 2 years; and Band for 3 year.

Her hobbies are going out with my friends, spending time with my family and listening to music and take naps.

Her favorite food is my mom's food.

Her favorite music is Mexican Music; Bando Jerez, La Accelladora, Saboc Kolombia and Cuisillos.



Brandon Greer

Brandon Greer, son of Eugene Greer was born February 24, 1980 in Florida.

He transferred from Coriscana and entered Gorman Schools in 1997.

He plans to attend Cisco Junior College majoring in Accounting.

Brandon participated in UIL, Baseball, Basketball and Tennis.

His hobbies include hunting, fishing, hanging out with my friend.

His favorite food is Macroni, steak, catfish.

His favorite music is Rock.



Ashley Burkeen

Ashley Burkeen is the granddaughter of Addie Moser. She was born on April 25, 1990 in Brownwood. She last attended school in De Leon, she transferred to Gorman in 1997.

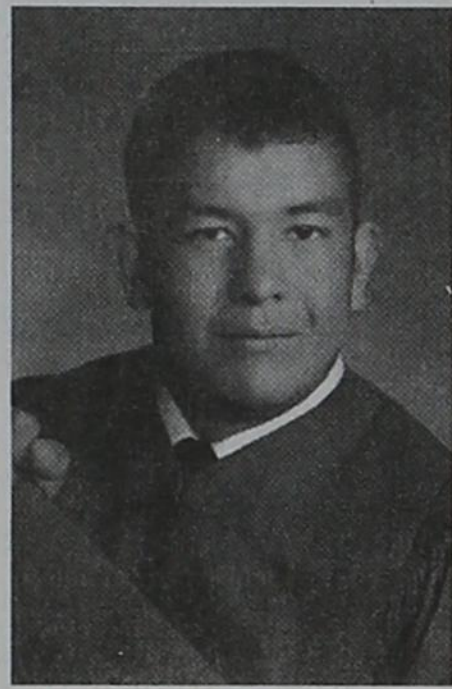
Her future plans are to work for Gorman Schools.

She participated in Band for 4 years.

Her hobbies are watching TV.

Her favorite foods are Pizza.

Her favorite music is Hip-Hop.



Daniel Guzman

Daniel Guzman, son of ramiro and Maria Rusario Guzman. He was born September 26 in Durango, Mexico.

He transferred from Mexico and entered Gorman Schools in 2002.

He plans to attend College and have a job.

Daniel participated in Basketball for 1 year; Football 1 year and Track one year.

His hobbies are working, dancing and hanging out with friends.

His favorite food is Mexican Food.

His favorite music is Mexican Country.



Yhdira Garcia

Yhdira Garcia is the daughter of Gerardo and Dolores Garcia. She was born on December 19, 1989 in Comanche. She last attended school in Dublin, she later transferred to Gorman in her 7th grade.

Her future plans are to attend Ranger College for 2 years, then transfer to Tarleton State University and major in Education.

She participated in Spanish Club and was President 1 year; PALS for 2 years; UIL for 2 years; and Band for 1 year.

Her hobbies are going out with my sisters and friends. Chill at home with my parents.

Her favorite food is my mom's cooking.

Her favorite music is Tierra Cali, Dareyes de la Sierra, Cuisillos Barvio Kings, Los Rellenas del Norte and Conjunto Atender.



Sunny Irene Stalker

Sunny Irene Stalker, daughter of Diana Clemons and Steve, Lyle Stalker and Rhonda. She was born September 21, 1989 in Wood Stuck, IL.

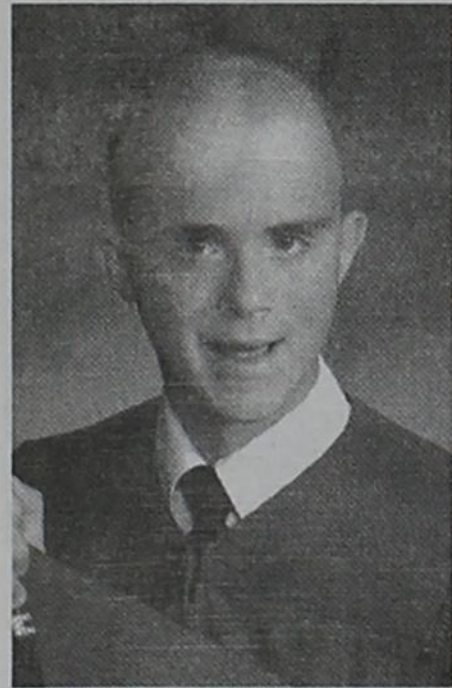
She entered Gorman Schools in 2006.

She plans to attend Junior College in Illinois and become a Law Officer.

Her hobbies include playing drums, chillin with buds, working out.

Her favorite foods are Pizza, Taco Bell and Subway.

Her favorite music is AC-DC, Pink Floyd and All Old Rock.



Jimmie Turner

Jimmie Turner, grandson of Jimmie and Glenna Turner and mother Gloria Murphy was born March 22, 1989 in Stephenville, TX.

He entered Gorman Schools in 1992.

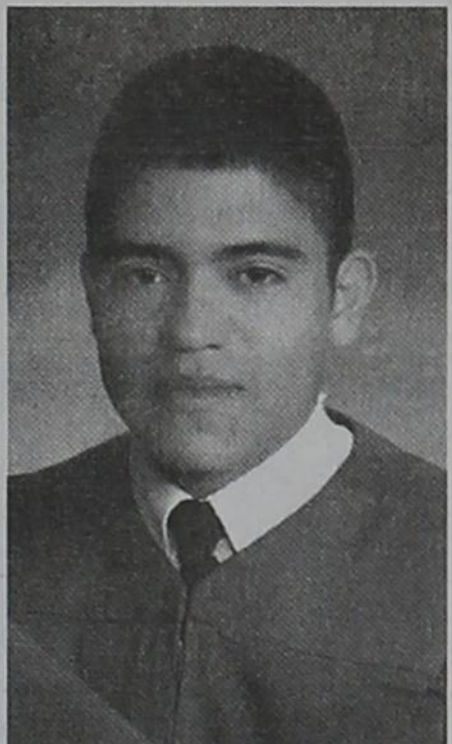
He plans to work with his pastor Denver Rainey doing roofing.

Jimmie participated in Band, helping clean, keeping Mr. Panter in line, going to church, visiting his great-grandmother.

His hobbies are walking around visiting with family members and fishing.

His favorite foods Chicken, Steak, Hamburgers and Pizza.

His favorite music is Christian.



Carlos Palacios

Carlos Palacios, is the son of Refugio and Francisca Palacios. He was born November 11, 1989 in Torreon, Coahuila, TX.

He transferred from Mexico and entered Gorman Schools in 2004.

He plans to attend College and get two jobs at the same time.

Carlos has participated in National Honor Society, been Class Favorite, Football and Track.

His hobbies are working all the time.

His favorite foods are Mexican Food.

His favorite music is Hip-Hop.



Reba Rochelle Granado

Reba Rochelle Granado is the daughter of Alex and Teresa Coronado. She was born on November 11, 1989 in Eastland, Texas. She entered Gorman School in 1994.

Her future plans are to attend Cisco Junior College and pursue a career in Neurology.

She participated in Volleyball - 3 years, Basketball 4 years, Track 2 years, Softball 4 years, Tennis for 4 years, Powerlifting for 2 years, National Honor Society for 3 years, Student Council, UIL for 4 years, Cheerleader for 2 years, FCA for 1 year, FBLA for 2 years, Honorable Mention in Volleyball my Senior Year, Second Team All-District in Softball my Senior year.

Her hobbies are listening to music, playing sports, watching TV, play Rock Band, and Guitar Hero III, reading books, shopping, dancing and hanging out with friends and eating.

Her favorite foods are Mexican and Chicken tenders, cheddar fries, Chick-fil-a and Montano's and Underwoods.

Her favorite music is anything except techno.

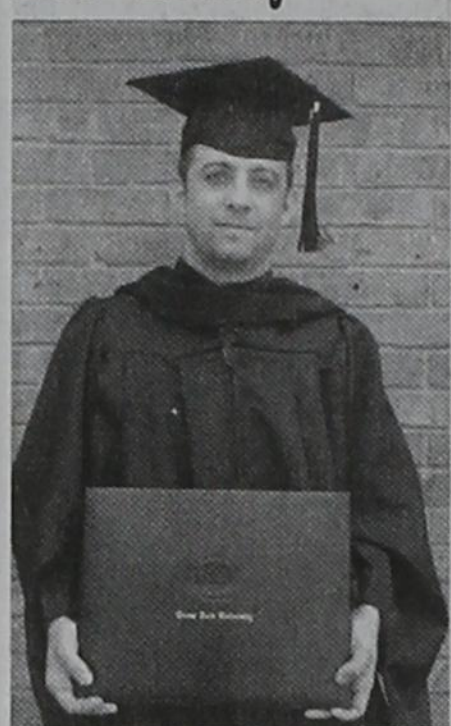
Gorman High School Seniors Honored With Ice Cream Supper



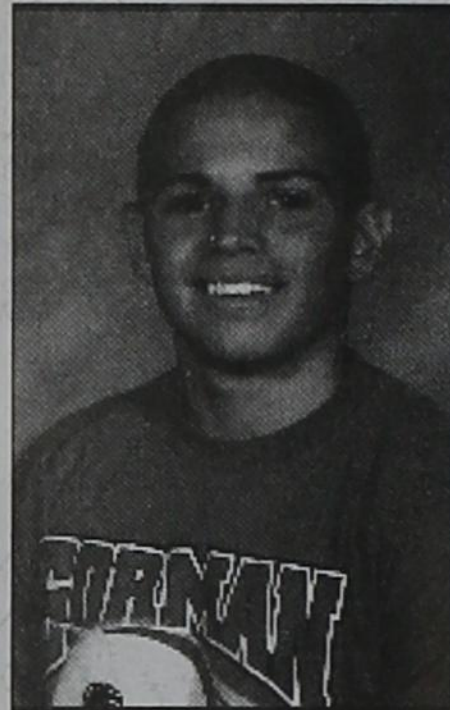
The Senior Class of 2008 was honored Monday night at the Church of Christ Fellowship Hall with an ice cream supper. The Hall was beautifully decorated by Francis Simpson and Joy Rogers in the colors red and blue in graduation decor. Each senior received a leather bound Bible on the occasion of their graduation. Many thanks to Joy Campbell for stenciling each senior's name in calligraphy in their Bibles. Following the supper, the group enjoyed a game of volleyball.

Pictured are Front Row L-R: Jerry Brown, Francis Simpson and Madison Warren. Second Row L-R: Joy Rogers, Brandy Carlton, Zack Fox, Nicole Cogburn, Orlando Valenzuela, Mary Powell, Aaron Keith, Trey Underwood, Carlos Gutierrez, Edna Ann Powell, Tecia Jones, Elder Durward Webb, Pat Caraway and Minister Larry Stogsdill. Not pictured are Louise Smart, Geri Stogsdill and Carolyn Gilbert.

Thurman Lee (TJ) Jay Graduates From Texas Tech University



Thurman Lee (TJ) Jay graduated from Texas Tech University in Lubbock on May 9th with a Master's Degree in Personal Financial Planning. TJ received his Bachelor of Arts degree in Finance in December of 2006.



Daniel R. Shirley
 Congratulations on your Graduation From Gorman High School and Best Wishes as you enter Tarleton State University. "Jesus is the Wind beneath you Sail" Love, Mom and Dad David and Kathy Shirley Grandparents Frank and Beth Shirley And the Late Bill and Frances Fisher

MOVING ON IS BITTER SWEET

(Paul Talbert - A.D. Gorman ISD)

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Dr. Dan and the ladies at the medical clinic for helping out whenever we called. I appreciate you all very much. Very special thanks goes out to the man at First Baptist Church, Mr. Barry Schahn. He has been a huge support, not only to me and my family but our entire athletic program and school. I also will miss Coach Gibbs and his wife for all they have done for me and the support they displayed.

I want to give special thanks to James Bruton and his girls at American State Bank for their support, also to Joe and Lonnie Bennett at Gorman Progress for their support of athletics at GISD.

I think the thing that I will miss most outside of the people and the students without a doubt is the football stadium. I believe that Brogdon Field is one of neatest 1-A venues in Texas to watch a football game. The rock wall that surrounds and bleachers is awesome. The perfectly manicured field on a Friday night right before kick-off with the stands full of those Big Red fans is truly a sight to see. I will miss it.

I've went to the trouble to list my five best memories of my time here in Gorman:

- 1) The De Leon game this past year defeating them 47-0 was the best. The total domination from beginning to end and the sportsmanship demonstrated by both teams was incredible.
- 2) The Boys 1600 Relay winning the Gold Metal at State in Austin and breaking the School Record. (Fox/Underwood/Swanner/Valenzuela)
- 3) Defeating Tolar on the road and completing a perfect 10-0 season with a 48-0 victory.
- 4) The Lady Panthers unbelievable Volleyball season and having my daughter as the coach. Unforgettable!!!!
- 5) This years Fighting Panthers boy programs qualifying for the State Playoffs in every sport and advancing at least to the second round.

I believe that a coach should not be evaluated by his won-loss record alone. The true measure of a coach is how hard his kids play. I believe that student athletes at Gorman during my tenure played extremely hard. For that I am appreciative and proud. Everyone always has an opinion on whether a coach is good one or a bad one or whatever. It is always like judging beauty, in the eye of the beholder. In the end I believe there are only two categories of coaches. Those how choose to leave on their own accord or those who are asked to leave. I have chosen to leave after two very great years with a ton of fond memories. Thanks to all of those too who may have just given me a smile, a kind word or a pat on the back. I will remember you as well. Gorman will always hold a special place in my heart. Not just for the above mentioned but for having the opportunity to work with my daughter Tori as a coach on this staff. Thanks for supporting her and having a positive impact on my granddaughter's lives too. Best of Luck to you all and May God Bless!!

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Mother's Day Celebration At Kokomo Baptist Church



Rebecca Browning and Carolyn Little



Aline Garrett and Carolyn Little



Carole Little and Carolyn Little



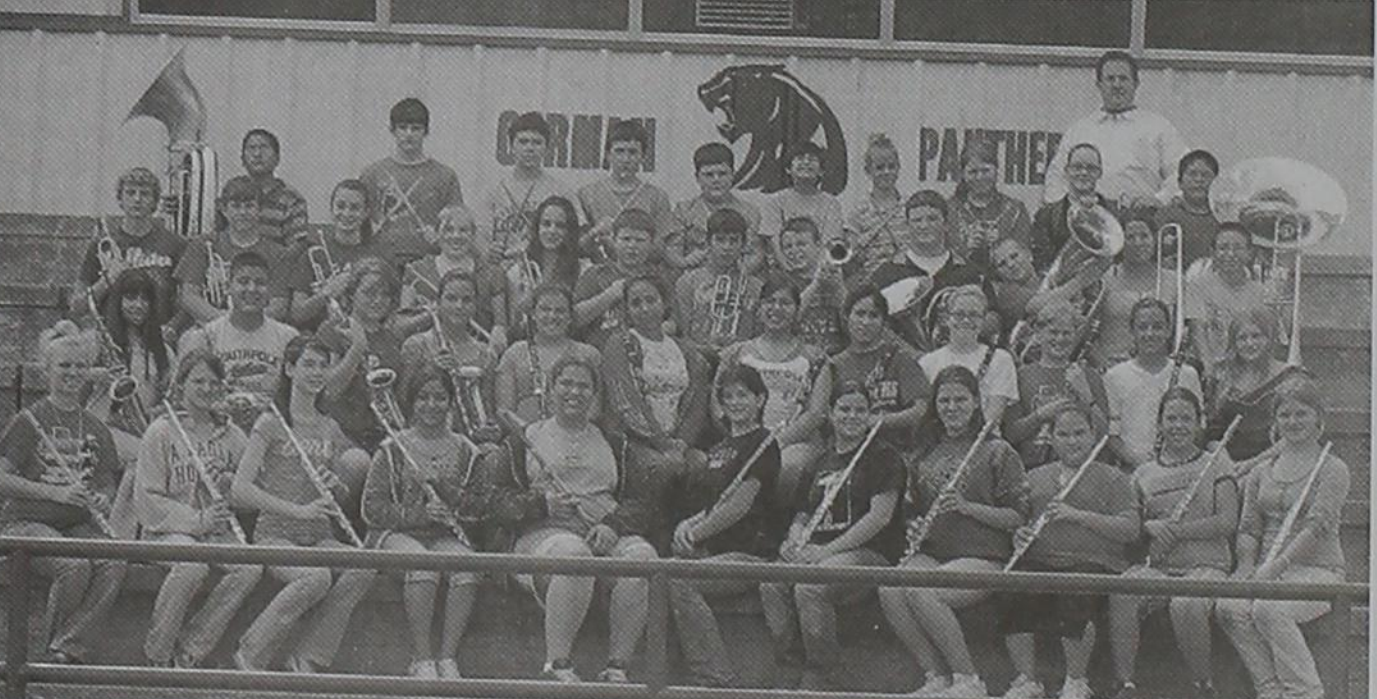
Helen Browning and Carolyn Little

Kokomo Baptist Church recognized several Mothers during it's morning services on May 11, 2008. The youngest mother present was Rebecca Browning, the Oldest was Aline Garrett, Carole Little traveled the Farthest and Helen Browning had the most children and grandchildren present. Carolyn Little made the presentation.



Bobby Little - Deacon; Carole Little - Farthest Away; Carolyn Little - Presenter; Aline Garrett - Oldest; Helen Browning - Most Children and Grandchildren Present; Woodrow Browning - Deacon; Joe Bond with granddaughter, Regan - Deacon.

Eight Grade Bands Travel To Howard Payne University To Compete



On Friday, May 9, 2008, the fifth - eighth grade bands traveled to Howard Payne in Brownwood, Texas to compete in the 14th annual band festival, which is sponsored by Kappa Kappa Psi and Tau Beta Sigma. We had several students compete in the solo and ensemble portion of the Festival. These students were able to bring home fifty-one gold medals. The judge of these performances complimented our students enthusiastically.

The sixth, seventh and eighth grade band performed three songs in the concert portion of the contest. They received an overall rating of I for their performance of American Spirit March by John Higgins, Ming Court by Donald Pitter, and Consensus by Larry Clark. This group has worked very hard this year and all of these students had the satisfaction of earning the top score. Congratulations to all the students who participated in the contest.

things get in this old world. God is still God and He is still marching on. Trust me, He knows and controls the outcome. Receive the gift of Christ's forgiveness and change the moment and direction of your life today.

Our Worship Service begins at 11:00AM on Sunday mornings - please come and join us!

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Happenings At FBC!!

Freedom Costs! Thank you to the service men and women who have served and who are serving today. God Bless and keep them in His loving care!

Life is made up of "moments". Good ones and bad ones. Each moment determines who we become. Sunday morning at FBC was one of those magnificent moments. Bro. Barry baptized seven young people: Kyle Connolly, Dakota Crowder, Alex Giles, Rylan Laminack, Allie Little, Justin Little, and JC Whitten. There aren't many moments like this anymore. We were stunned, amazed, and blessed beyond all understanding to witness the crowning moment in each of these young people's life. All praise goes to God almighty who is still on His throne and still touching the lives of young people who will make a difference in our great country USA and the world itself!

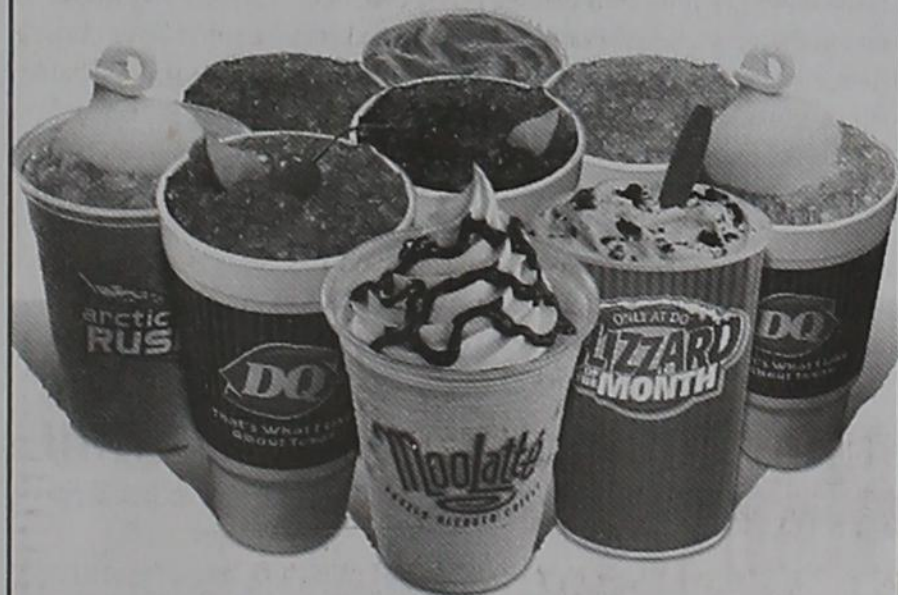
Liz Caraway's Children's Sermon was a marvelous word on our Freedom that comes from young soldiers standing at post around the world to protect us while we sleep. Remember Jesus never sleeps and the American flag is a reminder of Jesus' ultimate sacrifice: Blue represents God's amazing grace, Red represents the blood Jesus shed, and the White represents Jesus blood washing our sins clean as white snow. Give thanks!

Bro. Barry's message was "The Graduate Gift" - II Corinthians 9:12-15.

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