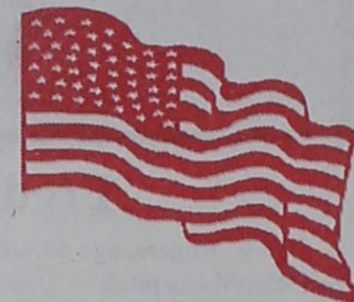


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## Gorman Students Wanted to Tour D.C. Back to School Open House

Each year, thousands of individuals, families and tour groups visit our nation's capital. People visit Washington, D.C. for many reasons: to learn about and experience our national government up close; to tour the many and varied museums reflecting all aspects of American society; and to visit the historical statues and monuments that commemorate our nation's pursuit of freedom and democratic values in peace and wartime.

To make the most of a visit to our nation's capital, you should plan in advance what you want to see, when and how to arrive.

A trip is being planned for June 23-27, 2003 for students finishing the ninth, tenth, eleventh and twelfth grades. The trip is not sponsored by Gorman Independent School District. Each student is responsible for their own fare. This is no vacation, but an educational tour. The first meeting with parents and grandparents will be the evening of GISD Meet the Teacher Night, August 15th. The meeting will take place in the auditorium at the conclusion of the evening.

Look for other D.C. announcements in future issues of the Progress. If you have any question, please contact: Melody Vann~254-734-4130, or 2616, or visit the official web site at www.worldstrides.com, or call 1-800-999-7676 for concerns and information.

Students and parents are invited to come and get acquainted at their Jr. High and High School Open House on Thursday, August 15th, from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m.

See you there!

## Blackwood Quartet

The Church of the Nazarene in Cisco, Texas, at corner of Ave. N and 10th Street, would like to invite everyone to join us in praise with the Blackwood Quartet on Aug 17th at 7 p.m. Love offering only

## Comanche Co. Telephone Erects New Tower



**NEW TOWER** — This tower constructed next door to the Comanche Co. Telephone Company building in Gorman was put up on Monday, August 12th. The photo shows a couple of men working on the tower close to the top. The tower will be used for Wireless High Speed Internet Service.

## Blackwell Hospital Historical Fund



A meeting was held August 6, 2002 to discuss the process of obtaining an official Texas Historical Marker for Blackwell Hospital. Gorman G.R.O.W. donated \$100.00 to open an account with American State Bank. Richard Watson donated \$20.00 to rent a post office box.

Plans were made to have a booth at the Peanut Festival. The next meeting will be on Tuesday, August 20, 2002 at 7 p.m. at the Community Center.

Donations may be mailed to:

Blackwell Hospital Historical Fund, P.O. Box 784, Gorman, Tx 76464 or to Blackwell Hospital Historical Fund, % American State Bank, P.O. Box 519, Gorman, Tx 76454, Acct#10045489.

## New Computer Curriculum at Ranger College

Ranger College is adding new computer courses to the Fall 2002 schedule and is offering more computer classes in the evenings and at noon for the convenience of area residents.

**POFI Introduction to Computer Fundamentals** will be an introductory level course that emphasizes essential PC skills needed in the business and educational worlds.

Students will improve keyboarding and formatting of documents such as letters and reports with Microsoft Word and will learn to make computer presentations with Microsoft PowerPoint. Hands-on activities will also include computer file management and storage, utilities, and basic PC maintenance. Students will earn two semester hours of credit for this very practical course that will be taught on Wednesday evenings in the upcoming Fall semester.

**Computer Hardware** is a study of current personal computer hardware including personal computer assembly and upgrading, setup and configuration, and troubleshooting. Students will use textbooks designed for A+ certification and will have hands-on training. This is a three semester credit hour course and is scheduled for Monday evenings.

**COSC 1301 Microcomputer Applications (Online course)**. One section of this course will be taught on-line, with students required to attend class on Ranger campus only four times during the semester. The course includes an overview of computer information systems, computer terminology and concepts, and an introduction to Word, Excel, PowerPoint, and computer programming. This three semester credit hour course is designed for academic transfer.

**Peanut Festival  
Second  
Saturday  
In September**

ITSC 1325 Personal

## Comanche Main Street Plans Rockin' and Rollin' Round the Square

The Comanche Main Street Program will host a fifties bash on August 17, 2002 from 7-10 p.m. The event will be held downtown on the square. The affair will be complete with a cakewalk, dunking booth, food and entertainment. Not to mention the Fifties under the Fleming Costume Contest and the Hepeat Dance Contest. Elvis will make an appearance after being way out of touch for 25 years to take his picture with you. The classic car club will drag main and then hang on the west side of the courthouse. So, get out your poodle skirts and get ready to make the scene. For more information call the Comanche Main Street office at 915/354-9558.

## Cross Plains Senior Citizens Quilt Show

The Cross Plains Senior Citizens will be having a quilt show in conjunction with the annual Cross Plains Barbarian Festival. The quilt show will be held on Saturday, August 31st, from 10:00 to 5:00 p.m. at the Cross Plains Community Center. Admission will be \$1.00 per person. All proceeds will benefit the Cross Plains Senior Citizen's Center and Meals-On-Wheels. Anyone interested in displaying a quilt or quilts contact Kathy Anderson at 254-725-6521 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. or 254-734-6654 after 1:00. Anyone interested in vendor space contact Kathy.

## New Water Rates Effective Oct. 1

The Board of Directors of the Upper Leon River Municipal Water District has approved an increase in water rates. The City Commission of Gorman approved rate increases and changes of the minimum usage as well. These rates will go into effect October 1, 2002. The City Commission and Mayor realize this is a hardship to the citizens of Gorman, but in the last eleven (11) years the city has passed on only one rate increase on water and sewer rates. These increases are due to regulatory requirements and increased treatment costs, etc..

Thank you for your patience and understanding.

## ITEMS OF INTEREST

**4-H** - Meets Second Monday of each month at 6:00 p.m. at the First United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall.

**LIBRARY** — Charlie Garrett Memorial Library will be open Monday thru Friday from 3 to 5 p.m.

**GORMAN GROW MEETING** — The Gorman Grow will meet on the Third Monday of every month at 6:30 p.m. in the Gorman Senior Citizen Building. Contact Payton Vaughn, Veronica Seaton or Lori Dodd.

## FOOD PANTRY

Second Thursday of Each Month  
At First United Methodist Church

Gorman Primitive Baptist Church has Services Every Sundays. Services begin at 10:30 a.m. Bro. Mark Waltenbarger - 1st Sunday; Elder Mike Webb, Pastor - All Other Sundays - Everyone Welcome To Attend.

**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. Glenn Glasson, Master — Pat Moseley, Secretary.

**DANCE** — There is a Senior Citizens Dance every Monday night. Music by *The Outcast Band* featuring Gene Williams and C. B. Sutton. 7:00 to 9:30 p.m. Admission \$3.50 - De Leon City Hall.

**BLOOD PRESSURE CHECKS** — Blood Pressure Checks by Heritage Manor of Gorman. Every Wednesday at Senior Citizens at 11:00 a.m. Other week at Gorman Hotel at 10:30 a.m.

The Order of the Eastern Star holds its regular stated meetings on the first Monday of each month at 7:30 p.m.

**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 1126 CR389, or American State Bank, Gorman, Texas 76454.

**SANDRA CAGLE WILL BE IN GORMAN THE THIRD WEDNESDAY OF EACH MONTH AT THE CITY OFFICE TO RENEW AUTO LICENSE PLATES. HER NEXT VISIT - AUGUST 21ST FROM 9 - 12 NOON.**





