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USDA Announces Loan Rates For 2005-Crop Peanuts

USDA's Commodity Credit Corporation (CCC) today announced individual 2005-crop loan rates for four types of peanuts, as required by the 2002 Farm Bill.

The method of computing the price support levels per peanut type is the same as last year. The calculations are based on the national average loan rate of \$355.00 per ton, using the five-year average quality factors and a three-year simple average weight production.

The 2005-crop peanut loan levels and grades are computed based on the type, quality and location of the 2005 peanut crop. The loan levels by type for an average-grade ton of 2005-crop peanuts are:

- * Runner-type peanuts \$355.35
- * Spanish-type peanuts \$342.24
- * Valencia-type peanuts \$355.24
- * Virginia-type peanuts \$355.24

To compute the loan value, premiums and discounts are applied within a loan of peanuts based on applicable quality factors. The actual loan level for an individual lot of peanuts depends on the percent of the various sizes of the kernels in each ton of peanuts. The factors used for calculations include the premium sound mature kernels (SMK) or base which is the greatest value of the load. The percent of SMKs are whole kernels passing across the testing screen officially designated for each type of peanut. The base SMKs are discounted for sound split (SS), or whole kernels that are split into two pieces; other kernels (OK); damaged kernels (DK); and foreign materials (FM). An additional discount occurs for loose shell kernels (LSK).

For each percent of SMK in a ton, including sound split kernels, the loan levels are:

- * Runner-type peanuts \$4.829
- * Spanish-type peanuts \$4.805
- * Valencia-type peanuts \$5.201
- * Virginia-type peanuts \$4.926

Further peanut program information is available from Tonye Gross, (202222) 720-4319; e-mail tonye_gross@wdc.usda.gov.

EASTLAND COUNTY FSA OFFICE - Eastland, Tx 76448 - 254-629-1636 Ext. 2

Aaron Grice and Ashley Maupin Exchange Vows

Aaron Jack Grice and Ashley Gayle Maupin were united in marriage on July 9, 2005 at the First Baptist Church with Rev. John Howard presiding.

Maid of Honor was the bride's sister, Jamie Maupin. Best Man was Clay Sandlin. Ushers were Cody Maupin, Cole Sandlin, and Robert Seaton.

The couple are residing in Cabot, Arkansas where Aaron Jack is serving in the U.S. Air Force and Ashley is a dental assistant.

A special thank you to the Howard sisters for the assistance in this joyous occasion.



Gorman Junior High and High School Registration

Registration for the Jr. High and High School Students has been set for August 8th, 9th and 10th. Seniors will be registering individually on Monday, August 8th. Parents are encouraged to attend registration. Juniors and sophomores will register Tuesday, freshmen, seventh and eighth grade students will register on Wednesday. Please try to make registration if possible. We all look forward to an exciting new year.

- Monday, August 8 — 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. — Seniors
- Tuesday, August 9 — 8 a.m. to 12 noon — Juniors
— 1:00 p.m. to 3 p.m. — Sophomores
- Wednesday, Aug. 10 — 8:00 a.m. to 12 noon — Freshmen
— 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. — 7th & 8th

Maxfield Elementary Pre-K Registration

If you did not register your child for Pre-K during spring registration, you are welcome to drop by the Elementary Office to pre-register your child. Any child that will turn 4 by September 1 is eligible. Please bring Shot Records, Social Security Card, and Birth Certificate. We will also need identification of person registering student. Office hours are 8:00 - 3:00 Monday thru Thursday and 8:00 to Noon on Friday.

EX STUDENTS ASSOCIATION

The Gorman Ex Students Association will sponsor Homecoming activities on Saturday, September 10. Again this year, post cards are being mailed to out of town Ex Students. A great deal of extra effort has gone into locating former students and updating the mailing list. No doubt you are one who received a phone call from Velda Baze to get addresses of out of town relatives! If you attended Gorman Schools, or if you just want to come join in the festivities, hold September 10 on your calendar and join in the Homecoming celebration.

Desdemona Monthly Musical

Desdemona Monthly Musical will be held on Saturday, July 23 at the Community Center (former School building). Concession stand will open at 5:30 p.m. serving sandwiches, homemade pie and drinks. Come early to enjoy supper and fellowship with the group before the music program begins at 6 p.m.



Ex Student's Association members Cecilia Hirst (Left) and Velda Baze (Right) are shown making last minute changes to the mailing list for this year's Homecoming activities. The Association's Homecoming celebration will be held on Saturday, September 10 during Gorman's annual Peanut Festival.

Desdemona School Reunion - Dinner

The Desdemona School Reunion and Dinner will be Friday, August 12, at the First Baptist Church annex. Registration will begin at 4 p.m. and dinner will be served at 5:30 p.m. For reservations, call 254-758-2610 before August 3, 2005. Music, fellowship, fun and door prizes.



Miss Gorman Kaci Seaton and Little Miss Sara Woodall participated in the Freedom Fest Parade in Rising Star on July 4th. This was the first parade of their reign where they placed 1st in 'out-of-town' floats and won the Best of Show trophy for the whole parade. Congratulations girls!

Gorman Students Earn Degrees From TSU

Three Gorman students graduated at Tarleton State University at the spring 2005 commencement exercises. Graduating were: Jackie Lee Gutierrez, William Edward Hagood II, and Belinda Gail Segura.

In addition, the College of Liberal and Fine Arts selected Jackie L. Gutierrez to be among 18 "Outstanding Graduates."



Our Family cordially invites you to join us for a 50th Anniversary Reception honoring

Linda and Allan Gibbs

Sunday, July 24, 2005
2:00 - 4:00 p.m.

First Baptist Church
218 W. Ross
Gorman, Texas 76454

The pleasure of your company is all that is needed.
No Gifts Please

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- Fun water activities (bring a towel and wear play clothes that can get wet!)
- Music
- Food (Lunch and Snacks)
- Skits and Games
- Bible Stories (Learn how to love Jesus and grow to be like him.)

See you there!

P.S. Parents, you are invited to the hot-dog lunch at 12:00 noon

ITEMS OF INTEREST

Child Safety Seat Classes will be held the first Wednesday of each month at the Gorman Community Center @ 7 p.m., and on the third Wednesday of each month at Eastland Memorial Hospital @ 7p.m. This is a free class.

Charlie Garrett Memorial Library

Open Tuesday mornings 9 a.m. to 12 noon (through summer)

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 Donations can be sent to Aline Garrett, P. O. Box 711, Gorman, Tx 76454 or to American State Bank.

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. Mark Wilkerson, Master — Pat Moseley, Secretary.

VET Science 4-H Project - 4th Tuesday each Month. Technology Center / Gorman Community Center. Contact Lee or Amy Wood at 254-734-2973.

FOOD BANK

New Hours - 10 - 11:00 a.m.
Second Thursday

Boy Scouts

Meeting Week
Tuesdays — 6:30 p.m.
Methodist Church

4-H - Meets Second Monday of each month at 6:00 p.m. at the First United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall - Amy Wood - 734-2973.

Oakland Cemetery Association is accepting donations for the Care of the Cemetery. Donations can be sent to Oakland Cemetery Association, 503 N. Fisher, Gorman, Tx 76454, or American State Bank, Gorman, Texas 76454.

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.

Heritage Manor News

By Nancy Hendricks

I Must Have God

I couldn't walk this thorny way
With Stone beneath and cloud above,
Or meet the struggles of each day
Without His love.

I must have God!

I couldn't stand the hours at night
Or troubled day with all its length,
Or overlook what other say
Without His strength.

I must have God!

I couldn't carry on my lips
A song of cheer, a word to ease
The aching of another's heart
Without His peace.

I must have God!

I couldn't share the grief of those
Who need my help along life's way
Or comfort one in need of peace
Unless I pray.

(provided by Larry Stogsdill)

Man Sentenced To Prison 18 Months for Forgery

Ray Anthony Robinson, formerly of Eastland, Texas, is now an inmate awaiting transfer to state prison to serve a eighteen month sentence for the felony offense of Forgery By Making.

Robinson had taken a check from his employer that was intended for auto repairs, changed the name of the payee to reflect his own name, cashed the check and then never returned to his place of employment.

The Honorable Judge Steven Herod of the 91st District Court sentenced Robinson. Chad Edgington represented Robinson at his hearing. Robinson had previously been convicted of Possession of a Controlled Substance in Taylor County.

Felon Sentenced For Unlawful Possession of Firearm

Terrance Duane Holt, formerly of Dallas was stopped for speeding on Interstate 20 in Eastland County in March of 2005. Holt, who had previously been convicted of a felony, was found to be in possession of a semi-automatic .38 caliber pistol and was subsequently arrested for unlawful possession of a firearm.

On July 14, 2005, Judge Steven Herod of the 91st Judicial District Court sentenced Holt to five years in prison. Holt is also awaiting trial on a parole violation out of Travis County.

CAPITOL COMMENT

U.S. SENATOR
KAY BAILEY HUTCHISON

Texan Support for Troops makes me Proud to be a Texan

By U.S. Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison

Every once in a while, someone in Washington asks me why we Texans have so much love for our state. Is it the food? The weather? The culture?

While I love the food, weather and culture in Texas, the real reason I am so proud of our state is its people. And I have no better evidence of the character of Texans than an episode I heard about the other day at the Dallas-Fort Worth International Airport.

A plane filled with soldiers coming to the U.S. from Iraq for two weeks of rest, landed after the long flight from Kuwait International Airport. Its passengers were stunned to see two fire engines racing toward their plane with lights flashing and sirens blaring.

The soldiers said they had been informed the plane was waiting for equipment to arrive. What they thought might be some sort of minor emergency was actually Dallas-Fort Worth's special salute to home-coming soldiers. The two emergency trucks fired a water "salute" over the taxiing airplane.

"I didn't expect such a welcome," Pfc. Heather England, a satellite communications operator for the 578th Signal Company told officials at the airport. "Soldiers on the plane got a bit choked up as they watched the water splash on the plane's windows."

The welcome did not end with the water salute. Hundreds of Texans applauded the returning soldiers as they got off the plane. They asked for their autographs and offered them food, beer, cigarettes, soft drinks and cell phone use.

When Staff Sergeant Donald Friedly told a USO volunteer that he had a daughter, the woman took him to some volunteers who presented him with a pink teddy bear, candy and bouquet of flowers for his wife.

The airport is one of the major direct flights for soldiers returning from Iraq. It has been demonstrating its appreciation for our soldiers for months, and I am proud to report that support for our troops is evident across our state. In June, children gathered on the steps of the state capitol in Austin to show their backing for deployed military personnel.

They gathered under the leadership of sculptor Heather McMahan, who is known for her "Welcome Home" sculpture, which has been displayed in the Pentagon and at Bergstrom International Airport. She invited Austin children to express their feelings about the war and show their support for the troops through art. At a rally featuring patriotic songs, children displayed their art which will be sent to soldiers overseas.

Texas' legions of NASCAR fans showed their appreciation in April, when 250,000 of them welcomed several hundred Fort Hood Operation Iraqi Freedom veterans to the Texas Speedway before the running of the Samsung/Radio Shack 500.

And I cannot fail to mention the world champion San Antonio Spurs who have always held Military Appreciation Night. This year, skybox ticket-holders donated more than 500 seats to military personnel stationed and convalescing in San Antonio and provided them with free food and drinks.

Not all of us can donate a skybox, but we can help any of the great organizations supporting our troops. At the very least, we can extend a hand to a member of our armed forces and tell each of them that we appreciate what they are doing and support them with all our heart.

Asked to comment after her welcome to the Dallas-Fort Worth International Airport, Pfc. England said, "After being stationed in Germany and Iraq for so long, seeing this display of affection at the U.S. airport has definitely reminded me why I love Americans, especially my fellow Texans."

I could not say it better myself.

The next Birthday Party for residents will be Friday, July 22 at 2:00 p.m. Three residents will be honored for having July birthdays. There will refreshments. Relatives and friends are welcome.

Some guests have been Sue Pettigrew of Desdemona, Jackie Whitlock of DeLeon, Kenneth and Voncia Snider of Rosebud, AK, Maudie Husband and Bill Moll of Cisco, Larry and DeLinda Snider, and Diana Snider.

On Sunday morning, those coming from First Baptist Church for Sunday School were James and Rachel Tucker and Nelda Mauney. James taught the lesson, "Waging War." Life question, "What can I do to win the battle in my daily struggles?" Bible passage, Ephesians 6:10-20. Key verse, Ephesians 6:18. A resident led the closing prayer. There were eleven residents present.

Recent guests were Kennard and Doyle Roberts of Gustine, Dorothy Roberts of Desdemona, Vicky and Rodney Roberts, Kendra and Maddox Roberts, Shaylor Roberts, Winston Brown, Shannon and Trinity Roberts.

On Sunday afternoon, those coming from the Kokomo Baptist Church were Rev. Clarence and Leona Wilson, Joe Bond, Woodrow and Helen Browning, Zelda Jordan, Ann Warren, Johnnie B. Griffith, and Nancy Hendricks. Helen played the piano and Woodrow led singing. Bro. Clarence's message, "The Vicary of Jesus." Bible passages from Romans 14 and Mark 14:22. There were thirteen residents present.

Some guess were Mozelle Boucher of Stephenville, Cecil and Rena Mae Robertson of Brownwood, Billie Marble, Mary Jeffs, Frances Warren, Maggie Quam, Kelly Johnson of Seminole, Howard and Pat Hagood,

Donnie and Nelda Mauney.

On Monday morning, Karen Guthery came and opened the beauty shop for hair dressing.

Visiting were Lendon and Shelly Morgan and sons of Garland, Bonnie D. Stewart and Jewel Dean Morris of DeLeon, Lonnie and Edith Grumbles.

Residents send "get well wishes" to Mary Margaret Hudson. Some guests were Nell Files of Carbon, Jimmy and Verna Lee Little of Eastland, Joe Bond, Clarence and Leona Wilson of Stephenville, and Johnnie B. Griffith.

On Monday afternoon, those coming for the Gospel Singing were Ruby Lee Kinser, Daisy Slaton, Nelda Mauney, Ann Warren, Winelle Browning, Johnnie B. Griffith, Marjorie Treadway, Zelda Jordan and Billy Joe Dennis. Ruby Lee and Billy Joe brought the special.

Some guests were Doyle Lynn and Patsy Clark and Lavelle Crowley of Comfort, Kathy Webb of Ranger, Trish Hudson of Dallas, Mary Margaret Hudson, Carol Matthews, Joy Rogers, Frank and Beth Shirley, Joe Bennett, Kay Ann Craddock, Suzan and Curly Lipson.

On Tuesday morning, Billie Marble, Judy Killebrew, Jason Killebrew and Ina Smith had bingo for nine residents.

Some visitors were Steve Estes of Sanger, Freddie and Kay Rodger of Desdemona, Ann Warren, Harold and Tody Zink, Dalton and Joy Watson of Ranger.

On Tuesday afternoon, Betty Duke of Desdemona came played the electric keyboard and led singing for a happy group of residents.

Recent visitors were John and Georgia Lee Hopper of Georgetown, Thomas and Vicki Seay, James and Rachel Tucker, Daisy Slaton, Bud and Dee Smithy.

On Wednesday morning, Bro. Larry Stogsdill of the Church of Christ came and had chapel. Message, "Jesus Foretelling His Coming." There were ten residents present. Biblical passage Matthew 16.

Some visitors were Jerry Majors of DeLeon, Kelly Williams, Kin Ryon of Desdemona, Lendon Shipman, Don Landers of Springtown, Marjorie Treadway, Elizabeth Ryon.

Wednesday morning, residents enjoyed a movie in the North Lobby.

Some guests were Larry and Colene Barnett of Wylie, Emmitt and Kay Lynn Lasater of Eastland, James and Ruby Lee Kinser, Billy Joe Dennis.

On Thursday afternoon, Billie Marble, Judy Killebrew and Ina Smith had 'crazy bingo.' There were nine residents present.

Some visitors present were Zelda Jordan, Bro. Larry Stogsdill, Nancy Hendricks, Winelle Browning, Woodrow and Helen Browning, Kathy Rodgers of Brownwood.

On Thursday morning, residents enjoyed games of dominoes and Thursday afternoon 'horse races' were enjoyed with Ina Smith.

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