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## Miss and Little Miss Gorman **Contest Now In Full Swing**

The Miss and Little Miss Gorman contests are now in full swing after the contests began on May 30.

This years contestants are:

**Miss Gorman Contestants:** Ashleigh Bush-- Chamber of Commerce Nicole Vaughn-- Fire Department Reba Granado-- Lion's Club Miss/Little Miss Gorman Contestants:

Fund raising projects are now underway and all the girls have their ans in businesses for donations. Please help support these girls. The contest will run through June 24. All proceeds will go toward community projects. The Chamber supports programs such as the Livestock Raisers Association, the Awards Banquet, the Baseball Association, the Peanut Festival, the Annual Santa Visit, and Economic Development to bring in new businesses.

Briana Landa-- Chamber of Commerce

The pageant will be held at 7:00 p.m. Saturday, June 24, in the high school auditorium.

We appreciate the good job done by our reigning Miss Gorman, Kaci Seaton and Little Miss Gorman, Sara Woodall. They have represented us well at many area events and parades. Thanks girls!

## **Grant Awarded To Gorman For Community Project**

Abilene, Texas-The West Central Texas Workforce Development Board is pleased to announce that the city of Gorman has been awarded a \$5,000 grant to be applied toward the renovation and update of the city park located in the downtown area. The city park project is the first phase of a downtown revitalization project that was initiated through a community-wide visioning process. The grant was one of seven grants presented on Friday, June 2, 2006 as the culmination of a two-day community planning retreat hosted by the Workforce Board at the MCM Elegante Hotel in Abilene.

Ten communities in the 19-county West Central Texas region were represented at the retreat, and each team received assistance in developing proposals for community development projects. Project proposals and grant requests were presented and reviewed by a panel of evaluators representing the Workforce Board. Based on an evaluation process that also included input from workshop participants, \$25,000 was awarded for a variety of projects deemed to have a measurable impact on the economic development of the sponsoring community. According to Mary Ross, Executive Director for the Workforce Board, "Gorman has been working hard over the past several months and has created a community development plan that is both ambitious and results-oriented. We are pleased to be able to assist them, and we look forward to their continued progress."

The West Central Texas Workforce Development Board is one of 28 boards in the state charged with oversight and policy-making responsibility for workforce and training programs in a nineteen county region. Funding for the community development grants was made available by the Board for economic development efforts. Additional funding has been allocated for three board leadership workshops to be held in Coleman, Cisco, and Snyder on June 27-29. The board leadership workshops will be targeted to volunteer board members of chambers of commerce, economic development corporations, hospital boards, school boards, city councils, commissioners courts, and non-profit boards. Additional information on the Board's economic development efforts or services for business customers may be obtained by calling the Workforce Board at (325) 795-4200 or by visiting the website at www.workforcesystem.org



OUR FUTURE'S SO BRIGHT WE'VE GOT TO WEAR SHADES!! Gorman team members David Perry, Cliffa Vaughn, Lori Dodd, Diane Casey, and Tacy Warren make a presentation before WCTWDB panel and a group of their peers for community development funding. Gorman received \$5000 toward Downtown Park improvements currently planned.

#### **Ruth Reeves Graduates With Doctor Of Medicine**



Roscoe and Mary Reeves are please to announce the graduation of their daughter Ruth Reeves. Ruth graduated from Medical School of the Americas on Nevis, West Indies with the degree of Doctor of Medicine. The commencement ceremony was held Saturday, June 3, 2006 in Mechanics Hall at Worcester, Massachusetts.

Ruth enjoyed living and studying in the islands but plans to practice in this area of Texas. She will begin her residency in Family Practice at John Peter Smith Hospital in Fort Worth on July 1.

Ruth wishes to thank all her family and friends for their continued support and encouragement.

#### **Senior Citizens News**

We met for pot luck on June 7 with 26 present. Martha Rainey called us to order. No business was announced or cards sent. Willow Rice gave the blessing with her nice words.

hot weather. Wish it would end.

On Friday 9 of us met for games and fellowship. Missed Barbara and Max Bush. They will be gone for awhile on vacation. People come on out, its cool in the center.

#### **Miss Gorman Candidate**

Ashleigh Jolene Bush

Hi, my name is Ashleigh Jolene Bush. I am 16 years old and the daughter of Ronald and Brenda Bush.

I attend Gorman High School and will be a Junior this upcoming

I enjoy many things such as, hanging out with friends, watching TV, attending church, talking on the phone, driving my truck, playing some sports, fishing, hunting, swimming, shopping, sleeping all day, spending time with family, but most of all just chillin and being laid back.

## **Order Prohibiting Certain** Fireworks In Areas Of County

WHEREAS, the Texas Forest Service has determined that drought conditions exist in Eastland County; and

WHEREAS, on the 12th of June, 2006 the Commissioner's Court of Eastland County has determined that the normal danger of fire in the unincorporated areas of Eastland County is greatly enhanced by the extremely dry conditions now existing.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Commissioner's Court of Eastland County adopts this order prohibiting the sale or use of restricted fireworks in the unincorporated areas of Eastland County.

A. No person may sell, detonate, ignite, or in any way use fireworks classified under 49 C.F.R. part, 173.100(r)(2) (10-1-86 edition), as "skyrockets with sticks" and "missiles with fins" in any portion of the unincorporated area of Eastland County.

B. Order regulates fireworks in the unincorporated areas of Eastland County as Authorized by local Government Code, Section 352.051 and that we specifically designate the point of La Mancha Guest Ranch at Lake Leon as a safe "area" from sundown until 11:00 p.m.

C. This Order does not prohibit:

common fireworks, small in size classified as Class C explosives:

2. large fireworks devices designed primarily to produce visible or audible effects by combustion, deflagration, or detonation and classified as Class B explosive by the U. S. Dept. of Trans. [Tex. Occ. Code, Chapter 2154].

D. A person commits an offense if the person knowingly or intentionally violates a Prohibition established by this Order. An offense under this Order is a Class

Approved this the 12th of June, 2006, by the Eastland County Commissioner Reggie Pittman, Comm. Pct. 4 Attest: Cathy Jentho, County Clerk

### **Gorman GROW Meeting**

Gorman GROW will be meeting Wednesday, June 14 at 5:30 in the Community Center. We will be discussing the Park Project, as well as other ongoing community projects. If you would like to help in any way, please come to the

**Gorman Fire Department Drawing For** \$100 in Gasoline To Be Given Away June 24 At the Miss Gorman Coronation To purchase tickets please contact Nicole Vaughn at 734-6561 or any member of the Gorman Fire Department Thank You For Your Support! \$1 each or 6 for \$5.00

## **Hamburger Lunch**

On Friday, June 16 at the City Hall, there will be a Hamburger Lunch with all the trimmings (cheese is an extra 50¢), Drinks included (Dr. Pepper, Coke, Diet Coke) and Chips (Doritos, Cheetos, Fritos), from 11:00 to 2:00 p.m. to benefit Miss Gorman contestant, Ashleigh J. Bush, sponsored by the Gorman Chamber of Commerce. You can also find hamburger order forms at all of Gorman local businesses, or you can contact Brenda Bush at 254-758-2458 or 254-967-5061 to place orders. Thank you and your support is greatly appreciated.

## Billy Earl and Francis Simpson To Mark 50th Anniversary



June 22, 2006 will mark Fifty years of marital bliss for Francis and We had many good dishes, especially salads. They were so tasty in the Billy Earl. We, the children and grandchildren would love your attendance to help celebrate this occasion on Saturday, June 24, 2006 from 3:00 til 5:00 in the afternoon. Please be our honored guest for refreshments and reminiscing at the Gorman Community Center at 116 S. Kent Street in Gorman. Your Gift Is Your Presence.

#### **Tour of the Peanut Country Bike Ride Doubles in Riders**

The 7th Annual Tour of the Peanut Country Bike Ride hosted by the Gorman Lions Club and the Gorman Volunteer Fire Department had its best year since its beginning. The first ride, in 1999, was in conjunction with the Peanut Festival and had 84 riders. This year there were 77 registered riders. That number is nearly double last year's entries.

The weather was hotter than usual, but no one seemed to mind. There was lots of water and PowerAde, and a mister hose set up at the Finish area to help re-hydrate the riders. All the participants complimented on the good snacks, nice clean roadways, and the wonderfully friendly and helpful workers.

This year's ride saw riders on all four routes. Local resident Kayce Dodd was the youngest rider at 7 years of age and rode most of the nine mile route with her dad, Robbie Dodd. Other local residents riding were Victor and Karen Pena, and Joe Williams.

This Bike Ride is the major fundraiser of the Lions Club and VFD and raised approximately \$3000 this year to be divided between the two organizations and used for community enhancements in a variety of ar-



Youngest Rider-Kayce Dodd age 7



Riders at the Start Area



Locals Joe Williams and Victor Pena ride The Ride this year More Photos Of Bike Ride Inside

### **City of Gorman Reminds Citizens of Animal Ordinance**

The City of Gorman would like to remind the citzens of the Animal Ordinance on Chickens and Roosters. You can only have 8 Chickens or Roosters in any combination per household. The chicken pens have to be 10 feet apart from each other. The Animal Control Officer will be enforcing this City Ordinance. Citations may be issued for violations. If the compliants continue you could be forced to remove all birds completely.

La Ciudad de Gorman querria recordar los ciudadanos de la ordenanza animal en Pollos y Gallos. Usted puede solo tiene 8 Pollos o los Gallos en cualquier combinacion por el asidero de la casa. Y las plumas de pollo tienen que ser 10 pies aparte de uno al otro. El Oficial Animal de Control estara imponiendo esta Ordenanza de la Ciudad. Las citaciones se pueden publicar para infracciones. Si las quejas le continuan podria ser forzado a quitar todos pajaros completamente.

## **Garage Sale Breakfast Burritos / Tamales**

Garage Sale at 519 Milam Street - Saturday, June 24 - for Reba Granado candidate for Miss Gorman / Lion's Club Sweetheart.

Breakfast Burritos and Tamales. Place your orders now before they run out!!! To order: Call Teresa at 734-5679 or Reba at 734-5628. Prices for Burritos at \$1.00 each. Tamales are \$7.00 a dozen.

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#### **Ruby Pearl Young**

Ruby Pearl Young, age 92 passed away on Monday, June 5, 2006 at Hospital Center, Wichita Falls, Texas.

Services were held Friday, June 9, 20006 at Nowlin Funeral Home with interment at the De Leon Cemetery. Kenneth Wilson officiating and music provided by Beverly Logan, LaJoyce Johnson and Barbara Young.

Mrs. Young was born June 15, 1913 in Rucker, Texas (Comanche Co., Tx) to the late Henry Ruff and Mary Emaline Goates Ruff.

Mrs. Young was a homemaker and a Baptist; resided in Wichita Falls since 1969, having previously lived in Brownwood and De Leon.

Survivors include two sons, Robert Young of Frederick, OK and Charles Young of Waco; one daughter, Johnnie Opal Young of Wichita Falls; 6 grandchildren and 5 great-grandchildren.

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#### **Lois Kathleen Carmack Whitney Tiner**

Lois Kathleen Carmack Whitney Tiner, age 81 passed away at Cornerstone Hospital, Austin, Tx on Saturday, June 3, 2006.

Services were held Thursday, June 6, 2006 at Nowlin Funeral Home Chapel with interment in De Leon Cemetery. Jack Phelps officiated and music by Vicki Robinett.

Mrs. Tiner was a homemaker; retired beauty salon owner/operator in July 12 Odessa; member Crestview Baptist Church, Georgetown; moved to Georgetown one year ago from Odessa, where she had resided since 1945. July 14

Surviviors include one son, Randle Lee Whitney and wife Wanda L. Whitney of Georgetown; one step-daughter, Jean Rinehart of Midland; two granddaughters, Leslie Serena Whitney Booth and husband Lynn of Greenville and Julie Whitney of Austin; great-granddaughters, Allida Ruth Watters, Aimee Patricia Booth and Ashley Katherine McMullen; two stepgranddaughters, Davise Rinehart Riley and husband Richard and Darla Rinehart and husband Christ Johnson; step-great-granddaughter, Amanda and son Griffin; step-great-grandsons, Cory Alan Rinehart, Jeremy David Rinehart and Gary Alan Johnson.

She was preceded by two brothers, Heber Charles and Cager Bryant and six sisters, Ruby Mae, LaVesta, Opal Bernice, Christine Beatrice, C. L. and Joyce Nell.

Serving as pallbearers were Galen Lambert, Lynn Booth, Kellie Welch, Bobby Carmack, Billy Carmack. Honorary pallbearers were Tom Valentine and Donny Daniel.

TWO (2) FAMIILY GARAGE SALE: 318 S. Third - Saturday ONLY, June 17 -8 a.m. - ?? Bar Stools, Area Rugs, Office Desk and Lots of More.

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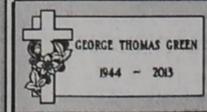
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Dates

TAAS July 11 Writing July 12 Mathematics July 13 Reading TAKS Exit Level Test Administration: Dates TAKS July 11 ELA Mathematics July 13 Science

All out of school TAAS and TAKS examinees must complete a registration form. If you have any questions about which test to take or how to register, contact Mrs. Hampton at 734-2614 or call toll free, 800-552-0302. You can register by accessing the website http:// k12testing.tx.ncspearson.com or by completing a registration form. Registration forms are due in Austin no later than 5:00 pm June 9, 2006.

Social Studies

#### **DESDEMONA NEWS**

BY VONNIE GUTHERY

Desdemona Homecoming and School Reunion will be held on Saturday, August 12 at the Community Center School Gym. The Homecoming Committee will meet soon to plan this annual event. A large crowd of Ex-Students, Teachers and friends attend this event each year. If you have a change of address - please contact this reporter at P. O. Box 187, Desdemona, Tx 76445. Your help will be appreciated.

"Memory Wall" of bricks is gaining in size. The brick are being sold for \$25.00 each. Get your order in soon as possible so these memorial bricks can be placed in the wall before Homecoming day. Remember a loved one, a teacher or a friend with their name on a brick. This memory wall will be placed in the hall of the school building. Contact this reporter if you wish to purchase a brick.

Desdemona Community Center School Building has "New" complete windows all across the front - also the brick outside walls have been washed down and looks "great". More repair projects for the building are being discussed at this time.

Desdemona Community Center has another big project in progress. A beautiful colored "Throw" (twin bed size) with several pictures of our town on it. Pictures are Boom Days, Magnolia Ball Tanks, School House, Tabernacle, etc. These nice throws make special gifts and a "Keepsake" for those who receives one. Contact this reporter if you wish to purchase

Benard and Ann Keith enjoyed a visit in Louisville, Kentucky with their son, Brad and Priscilla Keith and children, Brett, Jenna, Brian and

Mattie (Keith) Newton of De Leon will be 100 years old on Tuesday, June 20. She is a sister to Vonnie Guthery and Bernard Keith both of Desdemona and Avie Taylor of De Leon.

> "REMEMBER WHEN" 1934 -- Cost of Living --

New House \$5,970.00 Average Income \$1,600.00 per year New Car Average Rent \$20.00 per month Harvard University Tuition \$410.00 per year Movie Tickets Gasoline 10¢ per gallon United States Postage Stamp – Cost of Food – –

Granulated Sugar Vitamin D Milk Ground Coffee Bacon Eggs Fresh Ground Hamburger

45¢ per gallon 35¢ per pound 25¢ per pound 17¢ per dozen 12¢ per pound 8¢ per loaf

59¢ for 10 pounds

\$625.00

25¢ each

3¢ each

#### **Fourth Of July Parade**

Fresh Baked Bread

In celebration of our nation's independence, Eastland County will be hosting a Fourth of July Parade, Saturday, July 1st at 9:00 am in Cisco, Texas. The parade will commence all the fun and festivities lined up for this year's Eastland County's Bangin' 4th. Along with the patriotic emphasis, we encourage all children to participate in any of the following categories: decorated bicycles, decorated wagons, and decorated pets. (No ATV's will be permitted.) Other entries include bands, floats, classic cars, golf carts, and equestrian. The route of the parade will be on Conrad Hilton Avenue from 10th St to the Conrad Hilton Community Center. Registration will take place at 8:00 am behind Family Dollar on 1002 Conrad Hilton Ave. Registration forms may be obtained at the Cisco and Eastland Chambers of Commerce and KCER Radio at 209 E. 8th St. Prizes will be given for select categories. A very special ceremony, Field of Flags, presented and sponsored by American State Bank, will conclude the parade. Two-hundred flag carriers are needed for this patriotic ce emony. If you or your group would like to proudly carry our nation's flag in the parade, then please register as instructed above. For more information, please call Glen Boles at 254-442-1053.

## **Validation Time - Steers, Barrows**, Lambs & Goats

Steers to be exhibited in 2006 - 2007 Eastland County Stock Show or any major stock show in Texas MUST be validated on Tuesday, June 27, 2006 beginning at 8:30 a.m. sharp. The event will be held at the Moylan Steer Barn on Highway 3101 ... 2 1/2 miles north of Eastland. Validation fee will be \$10.00 per steer. This will be the only day to validate steers in Eastland County.

Barrow, lambs and goats will also be validated on Tuesday, June 27 from 11:00 a.m. until 12:00 Noon at the County Show Barn in Eastland. This will be only day to validate for Dallas.

If you have any questions, please call the Eastland County Texas Cooperative Extension Office at 629-1093 or 629-2222.

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### EDC Talk

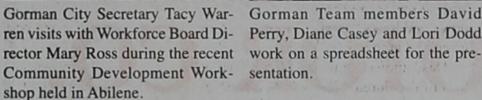
June 1 & 2 five local residents of Gorman traveled to Abilene to participate in the West Central Texas Workforce Development Board's Community Development Workshop. Representing our community was GISD Superintendent David Perry, Gorman EDC Board member and community activist Cliffa Vaughn, Gorman GROW Secretary Diane Casey, City Secretary Tacy Warren, and EDC Director Lori Dodd.

Ten towns within the 19-county area WCTWDB serves were invited to come participate. More than 25 towns applied, but those selected alongside Gorman were Aspermont, Cisco, Winters, Lueders, Munday, Ranger, Knox City, Tye, and Brownwood/Early. Each town was to come with a project to develop fully--from planning, financing, all the way through implementation. We were to consider maintenance and financial sustainability of the project, as well as be able to verbalize the economic impact of the project on the community. WCTWDB provided a personal facilitator with each group to assist in its decisions, organization, etc.

At the end of the second day, each community made a presentation to a panel of WCTWDB members and personnel. Each community participant was also allowed to vote for the projects of other communities. After all the presentations were made, votes were tallied and over \$25,000 was distributed among the winners. Only three communities received the highest amount awarded of \$5000, one of which was GORMAN!

This grant money will be added to the already existing grants from Texas Yes! and Leon-Bosque RC&D Community Improvement funds we received earlier this year. Look for some lovely yet practical improvements to the downtown area - soon!







## **Record Books, Project** Forms, Etc. Due!!!

It is 4-H Record Book time!!! This is a wonderful way to compile your accomplishments and 4-H works. Record Books covers are available at the Extension Office and the cost is \$2.50 per cover. Record Books are due in the Texas Cooperative Extension Office on Wednesday, June 28th by 5:00 p.m.l The Record Books will be judged on Thursday, June

Other forms that are due by 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, June 28th are: 4-H Project Forms, Rookie Award, Letterman Award, All-Star Award, Honor Roll Award, Club Secretary Books, Club Scrapbooks. We have the forms in the Extension Office or contact your club manager. Paper for the scrapbooks are also available at the Extension Office.

Remember you will receive certificates at the 4-H Banquet for the forms you turn in now. If you have any questions, please call the Extension Office at 629-1093 or 629-2222.

#### **Reminder:**

Deadline For Getting News and Ads In The Gorman Progress Is Tuesday Noon

## Miss Eastland County Pageant Tour of the Peanut Country

KCER Radio is pleased to announce its 3rd Annual Pageant under the new name of Miss Eastland County Pageant. This year's pageant will be awarding three pageant titles and various optional categories. All beauties from the ages of 0 to 18 are invited to join this exciting event for a time of pageantry.

The first two titles, Little Miss Eastland County (ages 0 to 5) and Jr. Miss Eastland County (ages 6 to 12), will be awarded on Saturday, June 24th at 2:00 pm at the Cisco High School Auditorium. Entry fee for this pageant is \$25.00. In addition, optional categories are available for more prizes and awards. These include Most Beautiful Eyes, Most Beautiful Hair, Most Beautiful Smile, Most Photogenic, Best Dressed, and Best Personality. Entry fee for each category is \$10.00. Contestants should enter by June 17th to avoid a late fee of \$20.00.

The third title, Miss Eastland County (ages 13 to 18), will be awarded on Friday, June 30th at 7:00 pm at the Cisco High School Auditorium. Entry fee for this pageant is \$45.00. A cash prize will be awarded to the top winner. Additional prizes may be awarded for the optional categories. These include Most Photogenic, Best Western Wear, Best Sports Wear, and Scrap Booking. Entry fee for each optional category is \$15.00. Contestants should enter by June 17th to avoid a late fee of \$20.00.

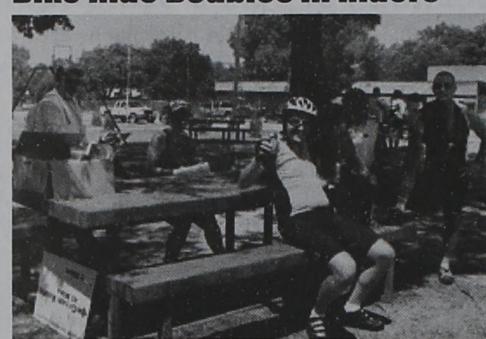
All entry forms may be obtained at the Eastland and/or Cisco Chamber of Commerce office and at the KCER Radio Studios (209 E. 8th in Cisco). For more information, please call Cindy at 254-442-2554 or e-mail at misseastlandcounty@kcer.org.



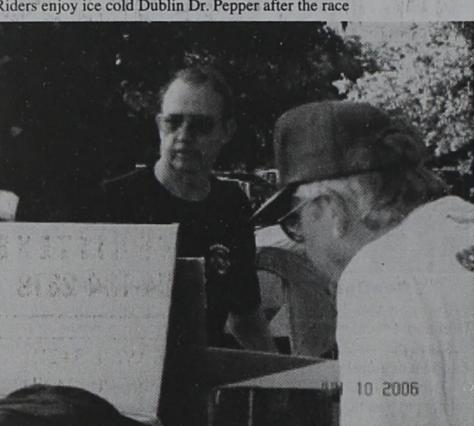
# **Eastland County July 4th**

In celebration of our nation's freedom, the Fourth of July would not be the same without one of America's favorite pastimes. So, here it is - Eastland County's Bangin' Softball Tournament to be held on Saturday, July 1st at the Cisco High School Softball Fields. The entry fee for each Co-Ed team is \$125.00. Registration forms may be obtained at the Eastland and/or Cisco Chamber of Commerce office, and at the KCER Radio Studios. Please have your Co-Ed team register by June 17th. For more information, please call Cindy at 254-442-2554 or e-mail at July4th@kcer.org.

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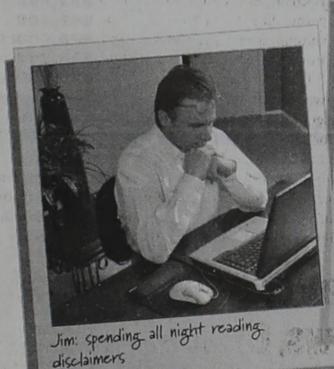
George Simmons works frantically to keep registration running smooth



Rider Juliann Moore from Lubbock applies lots of sunscreen. Ms. Moore came in the night before and camped in the park and enjoyed the Relay for Life festivities at Brogdon Field.

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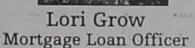


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## **Super Notes**

By David K. Perry dperry@gorman.esc14.net

I hope that everyone is having a wonderful summer. We are certainly staying busy at Gorman ISD. I know that most folks think that we all have the summers off, but for me and several others it is our busiest time of the year. If you missed the graduation ceremony this year, you missed seeing some of the best young people I've ever worked with celebrate a very important event in their life. Congratulations again to the Gorman High School graduates of 2006! Great job!

Last week, I took school board trustees Melinda Harrington, Jeff Seaton, and Larry Thompson to San Antonio to a Texas Association of School Boards training event for them to secure require school board training. In addition to receiving training, it also gives board members an opportunity to get to know each other a little better butside of the school setting. I believe an enjoyable time was had by all.

We held our regularly scheduled board meeting on Monday, June 12, 2006 at 6pm. Board members present were Bobby Rich, Melinda Harrington, Larry Thompson, Jeff Seaton, and Daryl Hirst. Present and giving reports were Superintendent Perry, Principal Reeves, and Counselor Hampton. The only other guest was Richard Rogers, CADCO architect. There was one hour training on open records prior to beginning the regular meeting. This training is required by law for all board members. The meeting began with the reorganization of

officers. The board elected to retain the present officers for another year. The board then approved the regular consent items before receiving the regular reports. Mrs. Hampton reported that she was in the process of getting ready for the TAKS retesting coming up this summer. There will be some tutoring sessions take place for those taking the tests. Mrs. Reeves reported on all the awards her students received and how well the wound up for the year. She also explained to the board that all of the awards that the students received such as prizes and trips to Six Flags were not paid for with taxpayer funds. All of this money is raised through fund raisers, not taxes.

Superintendent Perry's report began by requesting that Mr. Rogers review with the board the floor plan he had developed for new high school classrooms and a gymnasium. After all was said and done, the board asked Mr. Rogers to add a science lab to the classrooms and a book room that could be used as a future corridor in the event of future expansion. It was also discussed that we would have some public meetings to discuss the needs of the district and the proposed facilities in August and/or September. Other topics discussed were:

- 1. Possibilities for an electronic billboard
- 2. That milk and fuel bids would be accepted through July, 5th 2006
- 3. House Bill 1
- 4. An advocacy position to send to TASB
- 5. A shared services agreement with Region 14/First Financial corporation to act as third party adminis-
- trators for benefits 6. the budget

The board then approved:

- Sate Waivers Application that will allow for more teachers training.
- 2. Our contract with Big Country Library Media Cooperative for the 2006-2007 school year.
- 3. The District and Campus Improvement plans

4. A budget amendment allowing for the purchase of kitchen equipment needed for the 2006-2007 school year.

5. The hiring of Burl Lowery, CPA to perform the required 2005-2006 audit.

The board then approved the hiring of Erin Loper for the East End Special Ed COOP, Samantha Duke as a coach/teacher at the secondary campus, and Stella Casey as an elementary teacher. The board then adjourned at 10:38pm.

If you drive by the football field or if you frequent the track for walking you will notice that it is being resurfaced. Pro Tech out of Tyler, Texas is the company that won the bid a few months ago, but we needed to wait until after the Relay for Life to begin the work. If the substructure is in good shape, were should be back in business pretty quick. Walkers, please be patient!

Remember, 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.



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## **Disaster Aid Tops \$5.5 Million For Texas Wildfires**

\$7.2 Million obligated to Texas for public agencies

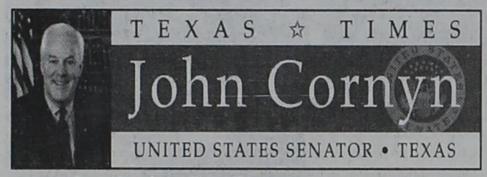
AUSTIN, Texas - Families and individuals who suffered damage from Texas Wildfires have been approved to receive more than \$5.5 million in disaster assistance, including grants from the U.S. Department of Homeland Security's Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and loans from the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA).

Disaster assistance may include grants to help pay for temporary housing, minor home repair and other serious disaster-related expenses not covered by insurance or other sources. Disaster assistance covers basic needs and does not normally compensate applicants for their entire loss. SBA also offers low-interest disaster loans for homeowners, renters and business owners.

The federal disaster declaration covers 22 counties in Texas: Anderson, Bastrop, Caldwell, Callahan, Cooke, Deaf Smith, Eastland, Erath, Gray, Guadalupe, Hood, Hutchinson, Johnson, Kerr, Montague, Palo Pinto, Parker, Potter, Roberts, Tarrant, Wheeler and Wise.

Recovery Services Summary as of close of business June 8, 2006:

- 516 individuals have registered for Individual Assistance.
- \$1,440,985 has been approved through the Individuals and House



#### Continuing Our Energy Leadership

For more than 100 years, starting with the legendary Spindletop oil field near Beaumont, Texas has been a leading energy producer in the U.S. and the world. Now, a page is turning – and Texas is again in the forefront of global energy developments.

Two Texas cities - Odessa and Jewett - are among the 12 national finalists to host the design, construction and operation of "FutureGen," the world's first near-zero-emissions coal-powered generation plant.

FutureGen is a demonstration project launched by President Bush in 2003 to test new technology in refining coal and generating electricity. If successful, FutureGen technologies could help lower energy costs, increase domestic energy resources and eliminate sources of harmful air pollutants.

Last month, the U.S. Department of Energy selected Odessa and Jewett to compete with cities from our nation's leading coal-producing states, including West Virginia, Illinois and Wyoming. The winning site will be announced next summer.

FutureGen may sound complex, but its concept is fairly simple. It uses a chemical process to release the energy from coal - known as gasification - rather than burning the coal to achieve the same result.

More specifically, coal gasification is an innovative way to chemically break down coal using heat and pressure. The chemical reactions produce clean-burning gases that are used to generate electricity as well as other valuable by-products that can be sold for industrial use. The FutureGen plant will also use technology to capture and safely

store harmful carbon dioxide emissions before their release into the atmosphere. The carbon dioxide can be piped to oil fields, where it can then be used to help extract valuable fossil fuels.

FutureGen, and projects like it, represent a scientific attempt to meet our energy needs. By contrast, Texas' previous success in energy often relied on big dreams and a large dollop of good fortune.

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The Tyler Morning Telegraph newspaper described how one major East Texas oil field was discovered:

"Columbus Marion 'Dad' Joiner, a man in his 60s, was broke and depressed when he went to sleep along a seawall in Galveston one night in 1926 and had a vision that he would find the biggest oil field in the world in East Texas.

"When he awoke, he sketched the topography of the place he saw in his dream. He later walked and hitchhiked his way to Rusk County and believed he had found that visionary place on Daisy Bradford's land.

"She leased him the land and he drilled three wells and the third one finally came in - and it was the biggest oil field in the world." The field ultimately supplied vast amounts of energy to the Allies in World War II.

Another great believer, Rupert Ricker, a lawyer in Big Lake, picked a spot to drill in Reagan County where local folks just knew that no oil existed. Well, it did after all.

Santa Rita Number 1 came in on May 28, 1923, giving birth to another Texas behemoth, the Big Lake oilfield, and launching production in the legendary Permian Basin. The state has benefited greatly. Over the years, Santa Rita Number 1 has provided about \$1 billion to the state's Permanent University Fund.

Now a new generation of visionaries, which includes local and state leaders and scientists at the University of Texas at Austin, are turning their eyes toward another abundant Texas resource: our coal

Either Odessa or Jewett is a perfect fit for FutureGen. The Odessa site boasts a strong West Texas expertise in the storage and transportation of carbon dioxide and its use in enhanced oil recovery. The Jewett site, in east-central Texas, offers an abundant supply of coal.

Many people would be surprised to learn that Texas is the nation's fifth-largest producer of coal, the top consumer of coal in the U.S. and has a 200-year reserve of lignite coal. A carbon dioxide storage facility in Texas would help unearth more of our oil and gas reserves, which in turn could boost much-needed domestic production.

Texas is no stranger to alternative fuel technology. Earlier this month, Abilene hosted the nation's largest-ever conference on wind power. With our turbine fields in West Texas, our state runs a close second only to California in generating wind-produced megawatts of electricity.

We're also poised to tap solar power as a serious source of energy. With our vast acreage and sunny climate, Texas solar-resource potential ranks first in the nation. The energy from sunshine falling on a single acre of land in West Texas is capable of producing the energy equivalent of 800 barrels of oil each year.

Texas has long provided America with valuable energy resources. Even as oil and gas reserves in major Texas fields have gradually declined over the years, Texas remains the headquarters of the world's energy industry. It would be entirely fitting if the technology that fuels future generations of our global energy supply is developed in Texas as well - in Jewett, Odessa or elsewhere.

Sen. Cornyn is a member of the following Senate Committees: Armed Services, Judiciary, Budget, Small Business and Entrepreneurship, and Joint Economic. He is the chairman of the subcommittees on Immigration, Border Security and Citizenship and Emerging Threats and Capabilities. Cornyn served previously as Texas Attorney General, Texas Supreme Court Justice and Bexar County District Judge.

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#### -- Randy's Roundup --

A Weekly Newsletter from Congressman Randy Neugebauer June 12, 2006

#### House to Debate Progress of Global War on Terror

The House will turn its attention to the Global War on Terror this week. Members of Congress will have the opportunity to express their thoughts on the progress of the war thus far and discuss our nation's future efforts to defend itself against terrorists.

This debate comes on the heels of an important victory in Iraq. America and its allies in the War on Terror won a significant victory when our troops killed the leader of al-Qaeda in Iraq, Abu Musab al-Zarqawi. There will surely be another terrorist who rises to take Zarqawi's place, but the

hold Program. Of that, FEMA has provided \$752,935 in Individual Assistance and \$688,050 in Other Needs Assistance. The State of Texas provided 25 percent, or \$172,012, of the Other Needs Assistance.

- \$4,149,100 in loans has been approved by the SBA for individuals and businesses affected by the Texas Wildfires. Of that amount, \$3,768,500 was approved for home loans and \$380,600 for business loans.
- \$2,120 has been disbursed in Disaster Unemployment Assistance (DUA). Texans who worked in the affected counties and are unemployed as a result of the Texas Wildfires may be eligible for DUA benefits. DUA extends coverage to self-employed people, farm workers and others who are usually ineligible for unemployment benefits.
- · 284 home inspections have been requested. Of these, 100 percent have been completed.
- \$7.2 million in Public Assistance has been obligated to Texas by FEMA. The funds will be used by the State of Texas to reimburse local governments and agencies for eligible expenses associated with the Texas Wildfires.

Homeowners, renters and business owners who sustained damage from the Texas Wildfires may check the status of their applications by calling the FEMA helpline at 1-800-621-FEMA (3362),

TTY 800-462-7585 for the speech or hearing-impaired or logging on to www.fema.gov.

fact that our military was able to take down this important figure shows that our military and intelligence gathering efforts are paying off. As the new Iraqi political structure takes shape and the terrorist networks are dismantled in Iraq, America and its allies come closer to victory.

There are some who subscribe to the theory that the United States would be safer if we pulled our troops out of Iraq and Afghanistan and kept to ourselves. But U.S. troops were not in Baghdad in 1993 when terrorists attacked the World Trade Center for the first time. U.S. troops were not in Afghanistan when terrorists attacked U.S. embassies in Kenya and Tanzania. U.S. troops were not fighting a full-scale War on Terror when 19 terrorists hijacked planes and crashed them into buildings in New York and Virginia in 2001.

Whether it is al-Qaeda or groups like Hezbollah and Ansar al-Islam (a group that has operated in Iraq since 2001), these terrorists share the common goal of bringing the United States to its knees. This will be their goal as long as Americans possess the religious and other individual freedoms that are the essence of our nation's identity. As a result, we must take the fight to the terrorists and ensure that they find no safe harbor.

#### USDA Extends CRP Contracts

The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) decided last Wednesday to allow the option of extending Conservation Reserve Program (CRP) contracts for all Bailey and Kent County farmers with expiring contracts. USDA made the right move by allowing these additional extensions. Bailey and Kent County farmers will now have more time to make the transition away from the CRP land and to better plan for their farms' futures.

USDA's decision means that all farmers in these counties with CRP contracts expiring between 2007 and 2010 can extend those contracts for a set length of time based on the environmental benefits produced from their enrolled land. A large number of those CRP contracts are set to expire beginning in 2007, and the extensions will help prevent large amounts of land from leaving the program all at once, thus providing a smoother transition. Without this change, thousands of acres in 14 counties nationwide, including 40,000 acres in Bailey County alone, would not have had the extension option.

-- Randy

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