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## Happy Independence Day - July 4th

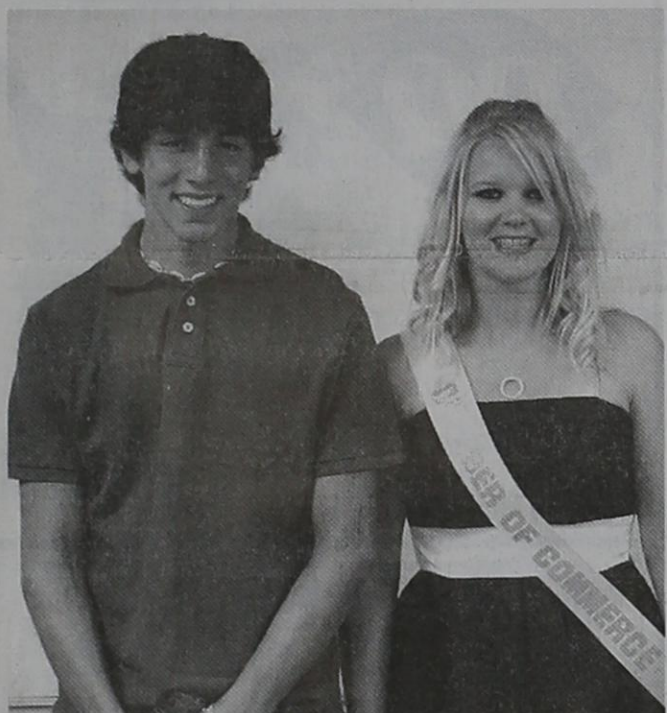
Kimi Seaton and Brylee Johnson Named Miss Gorman and Little Miss Gorman



2008 Miss Gorman - Kimi Seaton



2008 Little Miss Gorman - Brylee Johnson



Miss Gorman Candidate - Kimi Seaton escorted by Drew McCreless



Little Miss Gorman Candidate - Brylee Johnson escorted by Hayden Hampton



2007 Miss Gorman Brittany Henderson



2007 Little Miss Gorman Caitlyn Clark



Miss Gorman Candidate - Bethany Oliver escorted by Tyler Johnson



Little Miss Gorman Candidate - Hennessy Adair escorted by Bryson Herrera



Miss Gorman Candidate - Barbara Sherman escorted by Toby Darvill



Little Miss Gorman Candidate - Ashlyn Martin escorted by Jordan Scitern

### Let's Celebrate the Ninetieth birthday of

ALINE GARRETT

She will be honored  
to have you come  
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Have fun on  
Sunday, July 13  
2:30 to 4:30

At  
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**GORMAN POOL TO BE CLOSED JULY 10TH THRU 13TH  
OPEN AS USUAL ON JULY 14TH**

They're Here!! "Recipes and Remembrances" Rebel Inspired, 500 recipes with notes and stories. Many dating back to the 1800's. The local order of the Confederate Rose, Cactus Rose Chapter 23, compiled the book for the SCV Camp 1904. Price is \$20 each. More info inside this issue of the progress.

### GHS CHEERLEADERS NOW SELLING PANTHER FLIP FLOPS

The Gorman High School cheerleaders have some remaining flip flops for sale. Sizes range from child size 11 to adult size 12. Quantities are extremely limited, please call Becky Swanner at 734-2480 or contact any cheerleader if interested in buying some Panther flip flops.



## "Recipes and Remembrances"

### Cookbooks Now Available

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The Local Order of the Confederate Rose, Cactus Rose Chapter 23, compiled the book for the SCV Camp 1904.

Price is \$20.00 each and includes a CD giving history of the Confederate Flags and Music to enjoy.

Proceeds from Sales will be used by the local Sons of Confederate Veterans for the Gary Clayton Scholarship Fund and Civil War Memorials. Cory Clark of Gorman was the recipient of this year's \$500 Scholarship.

To purchase books call Joy Rogers, ocr - 734-2445, Tommy Henderson, scv - 734-5058 or Gail Clayton, ocr - 758-2257.

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Michael Singleton

**HELP WANTED** - CNA'S ALL SHIFTS - \$9.00. Please apply in person at De Leon Nursing and Rehab, 809 E. Navarro in De Leon. 1-7-3 C.

# Classifieds

**MIEARS GARAGE SALE:** Across from Dairy Queen in Gorman - Saturday, July 5 - 8 to 12 noon. CASH ONLY. Baby Clothes and Equipment, Boys - 10 to 12, Toys, Misses Career Clothing, Teen and Adult Books, Doll House Furniture and Electronics. ITP

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**GIBBS GARAGE SALE:** Friday, July 4th - 5 p.m. till and Saturday, July 5th from 7 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. at the corner of Hwy. 6 and Kent Street. Fishermen and Golfers Do Not Miss This Sale. Too Many Items to List. Tools, Furniture, Etc. Many Collectibles. ITP

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## Obituary

### Anna Bell Gooden

Anna Bell Gooden, age 75 of De Leon passed away on Monday, June 30, 2008 at Comanche County Medical Center. Services were held Wednesday, July 2nd at 3 p.m. At De Leon First Baptist Church with David Kelly officiating. Music by Rocky and Martha Bunting. Burial was in Simpson Cemetery.

She was born March 11, 1933 in Comanche County, TX to be late Noble B. Belyeu and Meda Reynolds Belyeu.

She was a homemaker; loving mother and grandmother; had worked at Golden Peanut Company for several years and also previously worked at Western Auto; had resided in De Leon most of her life; was raised in the Beattie Community. She was a member of De Leon First Baptist Church where she taught Sunday School.

She was survived by three daughters, Mary Ann Chapman and husband Jimmy of Lancaster, Lois Seckinger and husband Ray of De Leon, and Cecilia Carruth and husband Don of De Leon; two sons, Ricky Gooden and wife Angela of De Leon and John Gooden and wife Tamara of Crowley; two brothers, Troy Belyeu and wife Glenda of Las Cruces, NM; one sister Rena Mae Cloud of Cylde; 11 grandchildren, Anna, Tammy, Jody, Darla, Tisha, Josh, Slade, Neeley, Katie, Peyton and Cameron and 12 great-grandchildren. She was preceded by parents, and one brother Bill Belyeu.

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254-893-3404  
Comanche Office: 325-356-3739  
Broker: Robert Gilder  
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**FARMS, RANCHES & RECREATIONAL**

- 613 A, 3-2 Brick Home, carport, barn, wells & tanks, creek & hunting, partial minerals & royalties \$2,025,000 (WV02)
- 455 A, wells & tanks, creek, tree covered hills, wildlife cover, hunting, Hwy.6 frontage \$1,912,000 (RS01)
- 320±A, on Turkey Creek, FM 2247 frontage, spring creek, wildlife cover, tanks, well, hunting, minerals \$880,000 (ET01)
- 250±A, on Copperas Creek, 150 wooded, 100 coastal, lake, cabin, rural water \$850,000 REDUCED \$795,000 (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)
- 141 A, Improved Variety pecan orchard, Hwy.2247 frontage, rural water supply available \$3,500 per acre (SH02)
- 150 A, rolling terrain, minerals \$442,500 (LO01) - SOLD
- 100 A, approx. 95 A of costal, 5 A wooded, Located about 1/2 mile off Hwy.36 \$275,000 (JW01) - SOLD
- 90 A, 4-3 Brick Home, fireplace, game room, RV shed, well & tank, minerals neg. \$392,500 (BE01) - UNDER CONTRACT
- 81 A, Pecan Orchard, approx. 900 improved variety trees, underground drip irrigation, 9 wells \$405,000 (REM01)
- 52 A, 4-3 Brick Home, carport, wells & tanks, corrals, barns \$250,000 REDUCED \$239,500 (LP01)
- 51 A, with highway frontage, spring creek and hunting 182,000 (RP01)
- 45 A, 7 irrigation wells & pit, buried mainline w/risers, mineral available \$2,750 per Acre (NF01)
- 30 A, 3-2 1/2 Custom Built Home, garage, porch, RV shed & shop, barn, wells & tanks, Hwy.16 frontage \$450,000 (PB01)
- 25.6 A, 4-2 1/2 Brick Home, garage, carport, storage buildings, water well & tanks \$210,000 (JB03)
- 24.5 A, on Flat Creek, with water well, native pasture, close to highway \$98,000 (MP01) - SOLD
- 20 A, excellent home site, costal, rural water supply available, hunting, minerals negotiable \$75,000 (JM01)
- 15±A, 3-2 Double Wide, water well, carport, covered porch, storage buildings, near Proctor Lake \$115,000 (LR02)
- 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, shop, wells, underground sprinkler \$265,000 REDUCED \$235,000 (RT02)
- 5 A, 4-2 Brick Home, metal roof, carport, storage buildings, pecan trees, wells & tanks \$120,000 (WK01)

**RESIDENCES & HOME SITES**

- 3-2 1/2 Custom Brick Home, approx. 1.4 acre, 3 car garage, rural water, paved drive, storage building \$297,500 (DV01)
- 4.73 A w/4-3 Remodeled Brick Home, additional recreational room, water well \$149,900 (RH02)
- 3-2 Double Wide, screened porch, workshop, wells, 2 large lots and older frame home \$135,000 (JA02)
- 3-2 Frame Home, 2.5 Acres, wood burning stove, carport, rural water, well, shop \$137,500 REDUCED \$99,900 (CC03)
- 2-1 1/2 Frame Home, garage, storage building \$75,000 (ST01)
- 3-2 Doublewide, 2/car carport, on 3+ lots \$70,000 (LK01)
- 2-1 Frame Home, 2.3 A, screened porch \$55,000 (GB02) 8/7/03

See Pictures at: [www.GilderRealty.com](http://www.GilderRealty.com)

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NEW: Desdemona, 4 A, older 3-1 frame, well & septic, workshop, beautiful location, large trees: \$59,900.

NEW: Desdemona, 66.98A., great deer/turkey hunting, 1/2 heavily wooded creek bottom 50' elev. Change. Nice creek, excellent location for a lake. Good recreational place \$4,250.00 per A.

NEW: Gorman 12A., more or less, CR frontage, pond, mesquite cover. \$2,500 A. 15A north of Gorman: Sandy land, 2 water wells, county road on 2 sides, nice location for pond. \$3,000A.

NEW: 17A N/E Gorman, 10A wooded, nice large oak trees, electric meter, country location, great place for a new home! \$3,500 A.

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 lots, paved road building spots, country water/elec. available, fenced, ponds, bamboo, great hunting, pretty place! \$2,900 ACRE

NEW: 80A s/e Gorman, app. 30 a coastal, 7 - 8 wells, reservoir, good fences, elec., good soil, nice pond site. Will Divide \$2,500 per acre

100 A west De Leon FM587, 3 - 1 1/2 - 2 brick, 1444 sq. ft., C/HA, fireplace, carpeted, some remodeling, 3 ponds, 30a crop land, 35a coastal, some native, fenced, 2 steel corrals, 2 wells, shop building. Nice setup. Mineral Rights. \$2,950.00 A.

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.

179 A. south of Gorman: Part wooded, part old fields, deer & hogs, 2 nice ponds, sandy soil, elec., several water wells, condition is unknown. \$2,350.00 acre. **SELLERS SAYS MAKE OFFER!!**

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## Softball Tournament Begins July 7th

The Gorman Baseball Commission would like to invite you to come out and enjoy softball starting Monday July 7th thru Saturday July 12th.

The games will start at 4:00pm and the last game is scheduled for 8:00pm start. On Saturday the game will start at 9:00 am another game will follow if needed.

There will be teams from DeLeon, Comanche, Brownwood, Ballinger, Cisco, and Ranger. We hope to see you there.

We still needed your help to make this a success. We need volunteers, please contact Barbara Fenley if you are able to help.

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**GIRLING HEALTH CARE**  
**Attendants**  
Part-time attendants needed to assist elderly and disabled clients with personal care and light housekeeping in the Carbon and Gorman area. Must have own transportation. Contact Mark or Ashley. Send Resume referencing Ad # 8189. Call 877-885-7056 or 254-965-9666 E.O.E. M/F/D/V L.M.C.

**SUMMER LUNCH PROGRAM**  
Abundant LifeImpact of Gorman is excited to announce their summer lunch program. This program is designed to help our local students, it offers the area students a free lunch or anyone else for that matter. There is no cost or obligation just come hungry and leave happy.  
Location: 119 W. Roberts  
Time: Monday, Wednesday, Friday from 11:30-1:00 each day  
Everyone is welcome, it is primarily for high school teens down to toddlers but anyone needing a lunch is welcome. This program will run through the duration of the summer.

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The Gorman High School Cheerleaders recently returned from a National Cheerleaders Association (NCA) summer camp. The camp was held at Tarleton State University and attracted over 300 cheerleaders from the surrounding area. The National Cheerleaders Association selects award winners at each of the 1,000 camps it administers around the world each summer. Founded in 1948 by L.R. Herkimer, NCA has been conducting camps for 60 years and holds events annually for 150,000 cheerleaders and dancers around the world.

The Gorman High School Cheerleaders received the following awards at the NCA summer camp they attended. National Championship Bid Winner - This tremendous accomplishment is awarded to the team Bid Winner exemplifying the best technical skill and cheerleading technique. This bid is extended to teams to compete at the NCA Senior and Junior High School National Championship or the NCA All-Star National Championship, both held in Dallas, Texas. The NCA Championships are the world's largest cheerleading events, bringing in over 20,000 of the nation's cheerleaders for the nation's most exciting cheerleading competitions.

**Spirit Stick Winner** - Presented to the squad showing the most sincere spirit and enthusiasm throughout the entire week at camp. **Superior Blue Ribbon Evaluations** - Each day at camp every team is evaluated on their skills, spirit, sharpness and crowd appeal. Gorman High School cheerleaders were awarded the top honor of a "Superior" blue ribbon on each of their evaluations.

Awards are also given out for individual accomplishments at any NCA camp. Brittany Henderson, Barbara Sherman, and Jaime Johnston were all chosen as an All-American Nominee. This award is given to outstanding individuals who display strength in one of the following categories: motions, jumps, stunts, tumbling, dance or leadership. These individuals are eligible to perform at various NCA Special Events. Cheerleading teammates also attending camp were Bethany Oliver, Amy Regian, Grace Treider, Ally Little, Cortney Shirley, Chelsea Griffin, Carlie Jackson, and Katy Thackerston.

Along with the cheerleaders Katie Fritts also attended camp and participated in the mascot program. The mascots are all taught about the role of the mascot and given instruction in mascot image, entrances, exits, game antics, and working with the cheerleading squad. The mascots are also evaluated on two different occasions, the Gorman mascot received a "Superior" ribbon when judged on her entrance with the cheerleading team and she was awarded with an "Excellent" ribbon when judged on a skit with two other mascot partners. Most importantly, Katie Fritts was honored with the prestigious All-American Mascot award.

All of the girls had a very tiring and busy week at camp and learned many new cheers and chants to bring to the Gorman fans for the upcoming 2008 football season. Hope to see you there!!

STATE OF TEXAS  
COUNTY OF EASTLAND

**ORDER PROHIBITING CERTAIN FIREWORKS  
IN UNINCORPORATED AREAS OF EASTLAND CO., TX**

WHEREAS, the Texas Forest Service has determined that drought conditions exist in Eastland County; and WHEREAS, on the 27th of May, 2008, 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. This Order Does Not Prohibit:

1. 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].;
3. The use of restricted fireworks at La Mancha Ranch on Lake Leon or at the point area of Lake Cisco.

C. 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 C Misdemeanor.

APPROVED THIS THE 27TH DAY OF MAY, 2008 BY THE EASTLAND COUNTY COMMISSIONER'S COURT.

(s) Rex Fields, County Judge

Attest: (s) Cathy Jentho, County Clerk

**PIG TALES**

Well, we are getting into the long, hot, dry days of summer - although, I understand, that many areas had good rains over the weekend. We in Desdemona weren't so lucky - not a drop did we receive! Even with the rain, it doesn't take long for the vegetation to dry out and fire is an ever-present danger.

Lots of fun stuff coming up here in our little town. This Saturday, July 5th, is our regular "Breakfast at the DAC" that happens on the first Saturday of every month. Come and join us from 7 a.m. to 10 a.m. For a delicious breakfast to start your day. The cost is by donation.

And then, on July 12th the DAC will have an old-fashioned ice cream social with homemade ice cream and cookies. We will start at 5:30 p.m. With visiting, volleyball, horseshoes and other games and then start serving the goodies at about 7 p.m. We will have music by 'Dr. Dan and the Band-Aids' and by a gospel group from Eastland, called 'Redeemed'. Please join us for an evening of fun.

The DAC will be the scene of the annual Alumni dinner that is held each year on the Friday evening before Homecoming in Desdemona. Visiting will begin at 4 p.m. Followed by the meal and the program. Make your plans to attend and catch up with folks you haven't seen since last year! We would like to invite the entire community to this event. Please call me at 254-758-2420 or Nell Moore at 254-758-2610 if you plan to attend. We would like to have a count as soon as possible so we can plan the food.

Our library continues to grow and we are so pleased about that. If you haven't already, come and 'check us out'.

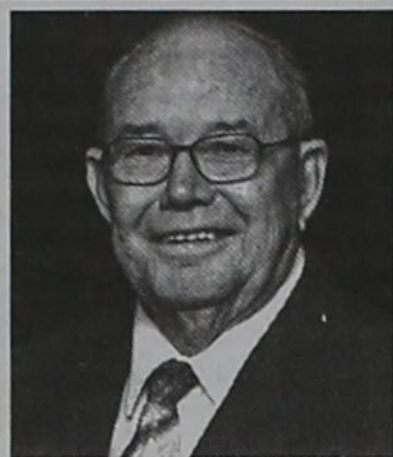
We would still like to start a 'jam' here at the DAC one evening each week. Is anyone interested? Please call me.

If you are interested in renting our building for an upcoming event, please call me at the above number.

See you in Desdemona!!

Carol Pell

**Obituary**



**Eldon Shipman**  
Meadowbrook Funeral Home  
Funeral services for Eldon Shipman, 82, will be at 9:30 a.m. Friday, June 27, 2008, at First Assembly of God Church with Bro. Michael Richards and Bro. Curtis Brown officiating. Burial will be in Andrews Cemetery under the direction of Meadowbrook Funeral Home.

Mr. Shipman died Tuesday, June 24, 2008, in Longview. He was born Sept. 4, 1925, in Sweetwater to Mason and Audelia Hogg Shipman. Mr. Shipman was a member of First Assembly of God Church. He also attended Grace Covenant Church and was a Lay Minister. He witnessed to everyone he came in contact with about Jesus and Eternal Salvation. He prayed for the sick and many were healed.

Survivors include his three daughters, Joyce Gilliam of Dallas, Sherry Crunkleton of Longview, and Rebecca Hobbs of Houston; son, David Shipman of Marshall; sister, Lavona Sharp of Gorman; two brothers, Neldon Shipman of Desdemona and Lindon Shipman of Gorman; eight grandchildren; 14 great-grandchildren; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Pallbearers will be Michael Gilliam, Berry Gilliam, David Wayne Shipman, Daniel Crunkleton, Joe Faughtenberry, and Lawrence Gilliam.

Visitation will be from 6 to 8 p.m. today at the funeral home.

Memorials may be made to First Assembly of God Church, 400 S. Lafayette St., Marshall, TX 75672.

This obituary has been placed at the request of the family.

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**Customer Notice**

Comanche County Telephone Company, Inc. (the Company) has filed a request with the Public Utility Commission of Texas (Commission) seeking approval to implement a minor rate change to the following services: the monthly 1-Party Local Exchange Access Line rates for residence and business customers; the business Rotary Service and PBX Trunk rates; and Directory Assistance Service charges. The Company also proposes to eliminate the (3) three-call monthly allowance for local Directory Assistance calls. In addition, the Company proposes to add a new service description for clarification regarding its Rotary/Multi-Line Hunt Service in Section 5 and offer a new Caller ID Service-Calling Name and Number Delivery in Section 5A, Local Exchange Tariff.

In the Company's Long Distance Message Telecommunications Service Tariff, the intraLATA Operator Service Charges are being increased. In addition, the Company removed the obsolete Service Charges for Operator, Station-to-Station, Collect, Fully Automated, and Billed to Third Number, Fully Automated, that are no longer offered by the Company's Operator Service Provider, as well as, the duplicated Service Charges for local and intraLATA Directory Assistance Service provided for customers in Section 5, Miscellaneous Services, Local Exchange Tariff.

The proposed effective date for the minor rate change is October 1, 2008 for all exchanges served by the Company. The estimated annual revenue increase recognized by the Company is \$79,199.58 for the first year of service, which is 2.56% of the Company's gross annual intrastate revenues.

Current and proposed rates are:

Local Exchange Tariff		
Residence Monthly Access Line Rates - Section 1	Current Rates	Proposed Rates
All Exchanges - 1 Party	\$10.56	\$11.60
Business Monthly Access Line Rates - Section 1		
All Exchanges - 1 Party	\$15.51	\$17.05
Rotary Service	\$21.75	\$23.93
PBX Trunk	\$21.75	\$23.93
Miscellaneous Services - Section 5		
Local and intraLATA direct dialed DA	\$0.30	\$1.50
Local and intraLATA direct dialed DA, alternately billed	\$0.60	\$2.25
Elimination of 3-free call allowance per month for local and intraLATA DA, direct dialed	\$0.00	\$1.50

Long Distance Message Telecommunications Service Tariff		
Two-Point OS/DA Service Charges - Section 2	Current Rates	Proposed Rates
Station-to-Station		
Calling Card		
Non-Automated	\$1.15	\$3.50
Semi-Automated	\$1.15	\$3.00
Fully Automated	\$0.40	\$2.50
Collect		
Non-Automated	\$1.15	\$3.95
Semi-Automated	\$1.15	\$3.00
# Fully Automated	\$1.15	\$0.00
Billed to Third Number		
Non-Automated	\$1.15	\$4.95
Semi-Automated	\$1.15	\$3.95
# Fully Automated	\$1.15	\$0.00
Sent Paid		
Non-Automated	\$1.15	\$3.95
Semi-Automated	\$1.15	\$3.95
Person-to-Person Service		
Non-Automated	\$2.80	\$8.95
Semi-Automated	\$2.80	\$8.95
Other Services		
Line Status Verification	\$1.35	\$6.00
Busy Interrupt	\$2.20	\$7.00

# Obsolete services no longer provided by the Company's Operator Services Provider, AT&T Texas. Persons with questions or who want more information on this application may contact the Company at 6100 Hwy 16, De Leon, TX 76444 or call (254) 893-2003 during normal business hours. A complete copy of the application is available for inspection at the address listed above. The Commission has assigned Tariff Control Number 35777 to this application. Persons who wish to formally participate in the Commission's proceedings concerning this application, or who wish to express their comments concerning this application should contact the Public Utility Commission of Texas, Office of Customer Protection, P.O. Box 13326, Austin, Texas 78711-3326, or call the Public Utility Commission's Office of Customer Protection at (512) 936-7120 or, toll free, at (888) 782-8477. Hearing and speech-impaired individuals with text telephones (TTY) may contact the commission at (512) 936-7136 or reach the Commission's toll free number through Relay Texas at (800) 735-2988.

Requests to participate in the proceedings and comments should reach the Commission no later than August 30, 2008. If the Commission receives a complaint(s) relating to this application signed by the lesser of 5% or 1,500 of the affected local service customers to which this application applies by August 30, 2008, the application will be docketed. The 5% limitation will be calculated based upon the total number of customers of record as of the calendar month preceding the Commission's receipt of the complaint(s).

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## Senior Citizens News By Carol Ward

I was so happy to see 30 people here on the 25th for our weekly dinner. We celebrated Winston Brown's Birthday with cake, ice cream and song, also signed a card. We always meet on Wednesday at 11:30 a.m., bring a dish or \$3.00. Geraldene Wright offered the blessing for us. I seem to ask the same people, but they do have the good words to inspire us. Thanks to those who do us this honor.

We enjoyed a good meal of sausage, chicken noodle casserole, squash casserole, roast, peas and carrots, corn, salad, and other vegetables. We always have beans and cornbread, plus rolls made by Betty Regian. Thanks Betty. Geraldene Wright made us rice pudding, so good. Plus cakes and Jello with fruit and cookies.

We missed having Ann Warren and Ailene Garrett here with us as they were feeling poorly. I saw Ann at the 5th Sunday Singing and she is much improved. Hope to see them this Wednesday the 2nd. Donna Earls is feeling much better after her episode. Hope she can return and be with us. I enjoyed visits with her. She is Martha Rainey's daughters, mother-in-law.

Daisy Slaton's daughter, Bennie Gail had been here visiting her mom the last ten days. She left yesterday the 30th for Alabama. She drives straight through, about 14 hours. She is a tough girl, don't know how she does it. The weekend of the 21st Daisy and her family all went to Lubbock. They visited Joyland there, the kids all had a good time. Her grandson Brock Anderson lives there and always shows everyone a grand time. Bennie Gail visited many friends while here, we all enjoyed her. A cousin of Daisy's, Billie Wood passed away. They also attended his funeral in Stephenville.

We enjoyed Russell Cordell here to eat and visit. Now that he lives in his mom's, Anna Rush house, should come more often. Also Raymond Hattox brought his son to eat with us. Good to see him again. They were leaving that evening for Temple as Raymond was having tests at the VA Hospital the next day. Hope all is OK and got a good report.

Wilburn Overstreet's son Gary carried him to Madisonville for a visit with son Neal. He has battled his illness a long time and has not been feeling too good. I do hope and pray that he can recover and have more visit with his Dad.

Daisy Slaton and I went to a funeral in Breckenridge on the 30th. On the way back I missed the turnoff to Eastland, just a talking and driving. Ha!! So we ended up in Cisco, so shopped a little there. We sure had a good laugh, just love to use up that gasoline.

Game night we only had 6 to come as many were either gone or sick. We played 88's only. We didn't even eat as we left at 8 p.m. I did learn a good bit more on how to play the game. It a more difficult game for me. I then drove to De Leon for Alaina Swanner, my granddaughter, softball game. They started out winning, way ahead, then ended up losing the game. Oh well, goes that way some time.

Hope all is well, see you next time - Carol.

## Happenings At FBC!!

Indeed! Enthusiasm fills the air in the Lord's House. We're all looking forward with zeal to see the miraculous things God continues to do in our lives.

Mark your calendars:

July 4th - Independence Day - Pray for our Soldiers.

July 28th to 31st - Boys and Girls Mission Camp - if God leads you to "Send a Kid to Camp" please bring your donations by our Church Office.

The Chairman of our Expansion Committee, Carroll Gentzel, shared the Deacon's thoughts behind the expansion project. He also shared his testimony of how our Church Family has made a difference in his and Marva's lives. Our Church Family is a vessel to minister to the community and serves as an outreach to those in need. Many others shared how our Church Family and the many programs have touched and changed their lives. Wherever you see the Lord working, join Him! He shall be among us!

Liz Caraway's Children Sermon: Liz said that since this is a "children's sermon", she is going to let the children help tell the story. Liz asked for a boy's name: Zach. Liz asked for a number: 26. Liz asked for a vegetable: carrot. Liz asked for a topping on ice cream: sprinkles. So the story goes.... Zach's mom sent him to the store with \$26.00 to buy three items: milk, bread, and butter. Zach got to the check out counter and saw his very favorite thing, a sprinkled covered carrot. Zach only had enough money to buy the three items his mom needed. Zach wanted that sprinkled covered carrot so much, what was he to do? Zach would be in trouble if he didn't come home with the three items his mom needed. God says to love him with our whole heart, mind, and soul. We must love God with all three things: heart, mind, and soul!

Bro. Barry's message was "Beauty and the Beast" - I Timothy 6:6&7.

Behind the picture of George Washington on every one-dollar bill there is a "Beauty" or a "Beast". The majority of Americans struggle with the "Beast".

I Timothy 6:6&7 says, "Godliness creates contentment". You brought nothing into this world and you will take nothing out.

If your household income is \$30,000.00 then you are in the top 4% of the richest people on earth. If your household income is \$40,000.00 then you are in the top 1% of the richest people on in the world. Here are the four tactics to fight off the money beast:

Tactic #1 - Consideration of Eternity: No money required to enter only faith in Jesus. Create a firm foundation. Nothing in your hand lasts, only what is in your heart lasts - your heart, mind, and soul. Formal education prepares your mind and church prepares your heart and soul.

Tactic #2 - Develop an Understanding of Necessity: Check both of your lists, what are needs and what are wants? What really counts reaches those for the Lord.

Tactic #3 - An Awareness of the Penalty: Do you let the beast, a love of money, control you?

Tactic #4 - Learning Contentment is a Pursuit of Maturity: Grow Up! Give from your heart what God has given to you. There is joy in doing God's work, and He has entrusted you to do it.

Turn the one-dollar bill over to see the answer: IN GOD WE TRUST!

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

Also, our Worship Service is broadcast on the radio - 88.7FM.

Remember: God loves you like no one else! Email us at fbcgorman@hotmail.com

## Success Measured

When we consider the lives of those that have passed before us, we perceive their degree of success. It is a given that different people have differing views with regard to the level of success that one has attained. What comes to mind when the following names are mentioned: George Washington, Abraham Lincoln, Mother Theresa, and Adolf Hitler? Let's consider a few names of those still with us: Bill Gates, George Bush Jr., Hillary Clinton, and O J Simpson. There are of course hundreds of names that we could consider as we think on this thought for the day, but perhaps it is simply a moot point.

No doubt as you read each name, there were definite perspectives that coursed through your thought process. If this activity were done with a friend or stranger, each of you would have varying ideas with regard to the success or lack thereof of each individual considered. Without question, it would make for an interesting conversation if not a more heated debate. The point is that all of us measure success differently. Could it be said that success is merely a perspective?

There are many people who measure success by the degree of honor or positive recognition that one is able to obtain. If this becomes our focus, if we seek for honor or recognition, we might possibly overlook the most important ingredient to success; integrity. Perhaps it can be said that pursuing honor and integrity simultaneously is improbable. We will consider this further in future thoughts.

How many times have you made the right choice, but was ridiculed because of it? Quite often we discover that regardless of what we do there is always someone if not many who are critical of our actions. Consider the criticism that the Gorman athletic department received in its last season. The degree of negativity exhibited by the public, even when the students and coaches were giving their best and winning, was at an all time high. Surely we can conclude that negativity will exist whether one is losing or winning. Clearly, when measured by others, success is simply a matter of perspective.

The apostle Paul, who incidentally was in prison at the time, wrote to Timothy and confidently stated that he was ready to pass from this life to the next and that he had fought a good fight, he had finished his course, and that he had maintained his hope and faith. What more could one hope for? When one comes to the end of the day, or the end of his or her life, if there is no doubt in their mind that they have given life their very best, and they are confident that they have made all the right choices, then they can bow out gracefully knowing that they have attained success. Perhaps at this point you are thinking, "I can't do that because I have not made all the right choices." There is great news for you! Simply take your failures to Christ. The scriptures plainly declare that if we confess our sins, that He is faithful to forgive us. In fact, when we allow Him to be our savior, old things pass away and all things become new. Christ purchased us a brand new life. So, no matter where you have been or what you have experienced to this point in your life, you are capable of attaining success!

Quote of the Day: When the sun begins to sink and you are confident that you have given your best and made the right choices, you have attained success. Jthjr

Scripture of the Day: For I am now ready to be offered, and the time of my departure is at hand. I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith: II Timothy 4:6-7

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## Desdemona News

By Vonnie Guthery

"Thanks" to all of the Musicians, Singers and Visitors that came last Saturday night to the Desdemona Community Center for the Monthly Musical. "Thanks" to the ladies of our Community that donate food each Month to the Concession Stand. We appreciate each and everyone doing their part.

Carol Sue (Hall) Willis is recovering from recent knee surgery. She was able to attend Church last Sunday.

Sue Pettigrew is slowly recovering from injuries received in a recent car wreck.

"Wall Of Memories" in the entrance hall of the Desdemona Community Center (Old School Building) is growing. These bricks with names on each is great. Please get your order in soon for a Memorial Brick. We want to have enough Bricks to complete another wall before Homecoming. Send your orders to this reporter, P. O. Box 187, Desdemona, TX 76445. Each Brick is \$30.00 Each.

Desdemona Homecoming and School Reunion will be held on Saturday, August 9th at the "Old School Building". Please contact this reporter if you have a change of address as we Need To "Up Date" the Mailing List.

Please Contact This Reporter With You Weekly News. Your Help Will Be Appreciate.

"Happy 4th of July" to our friends and neighbors from Vonnie and Pug Guthery, Hogtown, U.S.A.

## Gorman City Commission Minutes

JUNE 23, 2008

The Gorman City Commission met on the above date. Those present were Mayor Robert Ervin, Commissioners Nathan Files, Charlie Torrez, Joe Casey and Cliffla Vaughn. Others present were G Scitem, Trace Gortt, Bill Barrentine, and Barbara Fenely.

Joe led the opening prayer followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and the Texas Pledge.

Mayor Ervin called the meeting to order @ 5:30 p.m.

Nathan made the motion to approve the minutes as read. Joe made a second. Motion carried 4-0.

Charlie made the motion to approve the bills for payment with a second from Cliffla. Motion carried 4-0.

Joe put in the form of a motion to accept the engagement letter from Cameron Gulley, CPA, to perform audit services on behalf of the City. Charlie made a second. Motion carried 4-0.

Joe made the motion to replace the front door of the City office using Statewide Glass out of Cisco. Cliffla made a second. Motion carried 4-0.

Personnel issue was moved to the last item.

To reiterate the picking up of tree limbs motion that was made at the last meeting, here is further explanation. The City will pick up tree limbs or limb debris when it is due to an act of God such as storm or high winds etc. The City will not pick up as a result of tree trimming, or yard work.

Nathan made the motion with a second from Joe to re-appoint Martha Rainey and Arlton Smith to serve as board members for the Gorman Housing Authority.

At 6:10 p.m. Cliffla made the motion to go into Executive Session with a second from Joe.

At 6:30 p.m. Charlie made the motion to adjourn from Executive Session and return to regular open session with a second from Nathan. Motion carried 4-0.

Joe made the motion to extend the probation period of Trace Gortt for another 30 days. Nathan made a second. Motion carried. The 30 day period will start effective June 23, 2008, and original hire probation requirements still apply.

There being no further items for discussion, Cliffla made the motion to adjourn with a second from Joe, motion carried, time was 7:00 p.m.

## AREA HOMES NEEDED FOR FOREIGN TEENS


Foreign high school students are scheduled to arrive soon for academic semester and year program homestays, and the sponsoring organization needs a few more local host families.

The students are all between the ages of 15 and 18 years, are English-speaking, have their own spending money, carry accident and health insurance, and are anxious to share their cultural experiences with their new American families. Pacific Intercultural Exchange currently has programs to match almost every family's needs, ranging in length from a semester to a full academic year, where the students attend local high schools.

P.I.E. area representatives match students with host families by finding common interests and lifestyles through an informal in-home meeting. Prospective host families are able to review student applications and select the perfect match. As there are no "typical" host families, P.I.E. can fit a student into just about any situation, whether it is a single parent, a childless couple, a retired couple or a large family. Families who host for P.I.E. are also eligible to claim a \$50.00 per month charitable contribution deduction on their itemized tax returns for each month they host a sponsored student.

P.I.E. Executive Director John Doty encourages families to contact the program immediately, as it will allow the proper time for the students and hosts to get to know one another before they actually meet for the first time.

Area families interested in learning more about student exchange or arranging for a meeting with a community representative may call P.I.E., toll-free at 1-888-PIE-USA1. The agency also has travel/study abroad program opportunities for American high school students as well as possibilities for community volunteers to assist and work with area host families, students and school.



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