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Annual Easter Treasure Hunt Set

Saturday April 11 at 2:30 in the Gorman City Park. Age groups being with babies that are able to sit alone through 1 year old. One helper only please.
2 and 3 year olds. One helper only.
4-Kindergarten, 1st and 2nd grade, 3rd and 4th grade and 5th and 6th grade.
REMEMBER THE HUNT WILL START AT 2:30
BUNNY TIME DON'T BE LATE. Thanks - Ina

Youth In The Dark Wednesday Night

Youth in the Dark in the Park Wed. night April 8 We will start serving Hot Dogs around 7:30. We will start the egg hunt around 8:30 (Dark) This is for youth in the 7th grade and up. Bring your own flashlight.

Sunrise Service For Kokomo Baptist Church

You are invited to the sunrise services for Kokomo Baptist Church at the Little's Lake Cabin on Lake Leon. The service will begin at 7 a.m. with congregational singing and special music. Our pastor, Bro James Hunter, will bring the special sunrise message.

Breakfast of biscuits, sausage, donuts, juice, milk, and coffee will be served immediately following the service. Children are invited to bring their Easter Baskets and hunt Easter Eggs.

Take CR 237 off of highway 2214 to the Staff Cemetery. Turn right on CR 597 go to the second cabin on the right.

In case of bad weather the service will be held at Kokomo Baptist Church at 7 a.m. There will not be an evening service.

You are invited to join us and experience the beauty of God's handiwork on the peaceful shores of Lake Leon as the sun rises.

Large Item Pick Up

will be Thursday, April 9. They will only pick up one large item per residence. Curb side clean up will be the week of May 4th through 8th. Pickups on Tuesday and Thursday ONLY. This is when they will pick up everything you put out for them on the curb.

Please remember they will not pick up batteries, tires, or paint buckets with paint in them and a refrigerator has to be red tagged (certified person must remove freon). If you have any questions contact the City office Monday thru Friday 8-5 at (254)734-2317.

Gorman Milling Company Moves Offices To New Location



New Offices - The new location of the offices of Red Chain Feeds is in the old SWPGA Building on Hwy. 6. Gorman Milling has renovated the inside of the building to accommodate the employees and their needs. Several windows were added on the side of the building and a scale was added to the back of the building.

CCMC - Hospital Charity Golf Tournament Set

The Eleventh Annual Hospital Charity Golf Tournament will be held on April 18th at Par Country Club. The tournament is sponsored by the Healthcare Volunteers of Comanche County Medical Center. The proceeds are used to purchase equipment for the hospital system. Last year tournament proceeds were used to purchase such items as a non-magnetic wheelchairs, IV pole, and stretcher for the new state-of-the-art MRI addition to the hospital. Other purchases were a new treadmill for Cardia patient rehab, dietary service trays, bariatric chairs for the clinic, a blood pressure monitor for Comanche Wellness Center, and a new stretcher for ER. Without your support we could not obtain these and other items for the hospital. Support is accomplished through donations by area businesses or individuals.

The tournament will be a three person scramble, \$75.00 per person. This includes green fees, cart, and lunch. Mulligans will be available for \$5.00 each. Cash prizes will be awarded for each flight. Hole-in-One Prize is a New Car offered by Bayer Motor Company, and Closet-to-the-Pin for men and women. Your entry supports the hospital.

Direct questions and entries to Nancy Swan, 325-885-2099, reswan@cctc.net, 3151 Hwy. 590, Comanche, Tx 76442 or Pat Brownlee, 254-893-3649, dyrlpat@cctc.net. Thank you so much from all the volunteers and the hospital.

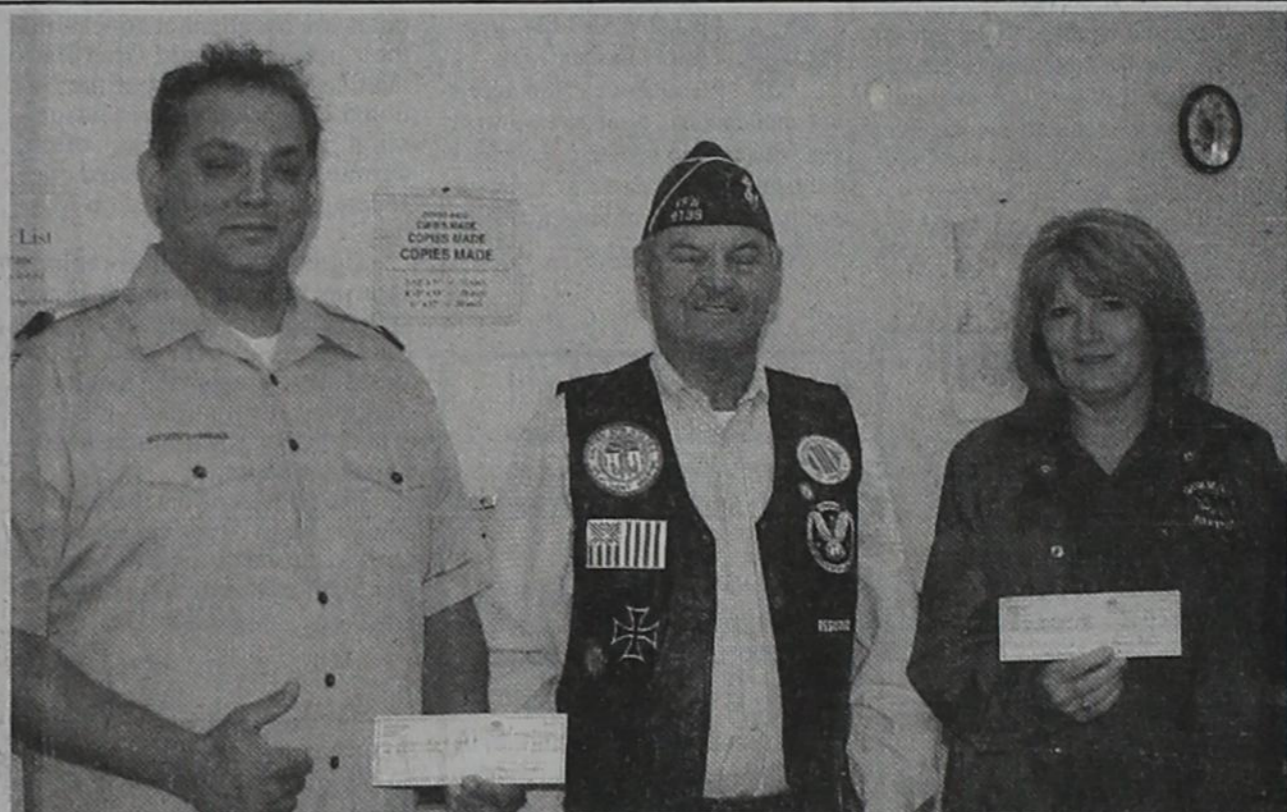
Pre-K Registration and Changes

Maxfield Elementary will be holding Pre-K Registration for the 2009-2010 school year. Students that are 4 by Sept. 1, 2009 and meet the criteria will be eligible. Students that are 3 by Sept. 1, 2009 please go ahead and register, but at this time we are not sure if we will be offering the Three Year Old Program next fall. Registration will be Friday, April 17, 2009 from 8:00a.m. - 3:00p.m. in the Elementary Library. You will need to bring the student's Social Security Card, birth certificate, and immunization record. We will also need a picture ID of the adult registering the child. If you have any questions please call 254-734-2617.

The City of Gorman will be accepting applications to operate the City Pool for the 2009 season.

You must be a certified lifeguard and certified in CPR.

You may pick up an application at the Gorman City office, 116 S Kent St, or call (254) 734-2317.



DONATIONS TO GORMAN SCOUT PROGRAMS - The Eastland VFW Post 4136 donated money to the Gorman Cub Scouts Pack 8 and Girl Scouts #7902. Presenting the checks was Roscoe Reeves - Commander of the Post.

**Gorman Senior Travel Club
CAR WASH**
9:30 Friday, April 10th
At Dairy Queen

BAKE SALE
April 10th at 5 P.M.
In Front of ZJ's
GREAT for EASTER!!!

**Gorman Senior Travel Club
FIREMAN'S CLASSIC
Flag Football Tournament**
Gorman Football Field
April 18th, starts at 9:30 a.m.
Admission - \$2 Adults - \$1 children
Grill will be given away
Donations for your Fire Dept.
will be accepted
Prizes throughout the tourney
Please come out and support the
Senior Travel Club and
Your Firemen!!!

RABIES CLINIC

There will be a rabies clinic Saturday, May 2, 2009, at the Gorman Volunteer Fire Station. Dr. Burke will be here from 9 am to 12 pm to administer the vaccines. The cost will be \$10 per shot. The City of Gorman will be offering city tags at that time also. For more information, please call City Hall at (254) 734-2317.

CITY WIDE GARAGE SALE

On April 25, 2009, Gorman will host our annual city wide garage sale. If you want to participate in this event and have your sale marked on our city map, please contact Cliffla Vaughn (254-734-3933) or Jill Torres (254-734-2317). We also plan to have a flea market in the city park, please call for space. The cost for flea market space or marked sale on map is \$5.

District Junior High Boys Track Meet Results From Santo

The 8th grade boys team took 3rd place overall with 101 points.

Field Events:
Long Jump - BJ Ramirez 2nd place with a jump of 16'-8".
Discus - Zach Carlton 1st place with a throw of 111'4", BJ Ramirez 4th place with a throw of 89' 6".
Triple Jump - Drew Flanary 6th place with a jump 30' 2".

Running Events:
100 Meter Dash - BJ Ramirez 2nd place with a time of 12.86sec.
200 Meter Dash - BJ Ramirez 2nd place with a time of 26.87sec.
400 Meter Dash - Sergio Garcia 3rd place with a time 1:01.02 sec.
800 Meter Run - Sergio Garcia 3rd place with a time of 2:20.28 sec.
400 Meter Relay - Dakota Pacheco, Fabian Garcia, Zach Carlton, and Trey Howard 4th place with a time of 56.06 sec.
800 Meter Relay - Kevin Massingill, Fabian Garcia, Zach Carlton and Trey Howard 4th place with a time of 4:19.17 sec.,
110 Meter Hurdles - Drew Flanary 1st place with a time of 19.31 sec.
2400 Meter Run - Dakota Pacheco 5th place, Robert Shawver 6th place.
1600 Meter Run - Kevin Massingill 5th place with a time of 6:19.43 sec.
1600 Meter Relay - Zach Carlton, BJ Ramirez, Drew Flanary, and Sergio Garcia 3rd place with a time of 4:28.05 sec.

7th Grade Boys

Running Events:
100 Meter Dash - Andy Madera 6th place with a time of 17.53 sec.

Other Members of the team are Luis Limon, Seth Gibson, Austin Marlow, Skylar Henderson, Juan Olivares, Tony Ramirez, Sheldon Fenley.

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ITEMS OF INTEREST

SANDRA CAGLE WILL BE IN GORMAN AT THE CITY OFFICE TO RENEW AUTO LICENSE PLATES. HER NEXT VISIT IS WEDNESDAY, APRIL 15TH FROM 9 TIL NOON.

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

Gorman Senior Citizens meet every Wednesday at 11:30 in the Gorman Senior Center. Bring Covered Dish or \$3.00 Per Plate.

Food Bank
New Hours - 10 to 11 a.m.
Second Thursday

Boy Scouts
Meeting Weekly
Mondays - 6:00 p.m.
Methodist Church

Oakland Cemetery Association is accepting donations for the Care of the Cemetery. Donations can be sent to Oakland Cemetery Association, P. O. Box 532, Gorman, Tx 76454 or to American State Bank, Gorman, Texas 76454

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.

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

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. Gerald Ragland, Master - Roscoe Reeves, Secretary.

Obituaries

Evelyn West

Evelyn West, 91, a life-long member of the Gorman Primitive Baptist Church, Gorman, Texas went to be with her Lord on Saturday, April 4, 2009.

Services will be 2:00 P. M. Friday, April 10, 2009 at the Higginbotham Funeral Home Chapel with Barry Brown officiating. Burial will be in Gorman Cemetery.

She was born Evelyn Aliene Norris, the oldest child of George Ernest Norris and Vesta Nolen Norris, on February 10, 1918 near Carbon, Texas. After graduating from high school in Gorman, she attended business college in Abilene, working for Banner Dairies until her return to Gorman. Evelyn moved to Morton Valley near Eastland, Texas in 1951 where she resided until 1980 at which time she moved into Eastland where she worked for Perry Brothers Variety Store and Eastland Memorial Library. Evelyn moved to McGregor, Texas in 1998 where she resided until her death.

She is survived by her children: Jim & Judy West of McGregor and Dr. Janet West of Portland, Oregon; her grandchildren, Jerry West & Tanya Parker, Jennifer & Steve Millsap, and her great grandchildren, Chris, Corey & Kelsey West and Chelsea Millsap, Coltin & Landin Ayres; two sisters, Willadean Henneke of DeLeon and Mary Storey of Mineral Wells; and beloved sister-in-law, Irene West of Gorman and many nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents, an infant brother and the father of her children, D. J. West.

The family will receive friends from 6:00 P. M. to 9:00 P. M. at the funeral home on Thursday, April 9, 2009.

T. J. Boen

T. J. Boen, age 89 of Desdemona passed away on Monday, April 6, 2009 at Harris Methodist Hospital in Stephenville. Services were held on Wednesday, April 8th at 11 a.m. at Nowlin Funeral Home Chapel with Denver Rainey officiating. Burial was in De Leon.

He was born September 7, 1919 in Gorman to Hiram Thomas Boen and Polly Lee Kea Boen. He married Charlene Tucker on June 28, 1939 in De Leon.

Mr. Boen was a farmer and rancher. Had resided most all of his life in the Desdemona and De Leon area. He served in the U. S. Army during WWII. He was a Church of Christ member.

He is survived by a son, Harold Boen and wife Karen of Desdemona; a daughter, Winnie Fields and husband Terry of Proctor; a brother, John Boen of Oklahoma and two sisters, Virgie Price of Odessa and Vivian Laake of West; 8 grandchildren; 14 great-grandchildren and 9 great-great grandchildren.

HOME

In Spring, Birds, Bees and ... Termites?

NewsUSA

(NU) - Spring doesn't just mean flowers and sunshine - it's also the perfect season for termite infestations.

Warmer temperatures inspire young male and female termites to fly from their colonies in search of ideal places to build new ones. And unfortunately for many Americans, termites often start colonies in human homes. In fact, termites cause \$5 billion in property damage each year.

Termites eat more than wood. In addition to destroying housing structures, a termite colony can quickly decimate flooring, carpeting and wallpaper.

"Although social insects, termites are excellent at concealing their presence," said Greg Baumann, senior scientist of the National Pest Management Association (NPMA). "So often, termites are only discovered once severe property damage is visible."

Signs of infestation include swarms of winged forms in the fall and spring, evidence of mud tunneling in, over and under wood structures, wood that looks darkened or blistered, and thin wood that a knife or a screwdriver can puncture.

The NPMA offers the following advice to Americans looking to prevent termites from eating them out of house and home:



Termite colonies can destroy carpets and wallpaper, as well as floors and other wood.

- Water draws termites, so avoid water accumulation near your home's foundation. Use downspouts, gutters and splash blocks to divert water. Keep gutters free of leaves and other organic debris. Quickly repair damage from leaks, both indoor and outdoor.

- Never store or bury mulch, wood debris, scrap lumber, sawdust or firewood near your home. If you do keep firewood outside, keep it elevated at least one inch above the ground.

- Eliminate contact between the wooden parts of your home and the soil. Trim shrubs and other plants so that they do not touch your home.

If you suspect termites, speak to a professional. For more information, contact the National Pest Management Association at www.pestworld.org.

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- SOLD 250A**, on Copperas Creek, wooded, coastal, lake, cabin, rural water [LB01] \$795,000
- REDUCED 236A**, wells, tanks, rolling terrain, hunting [DS02] \$2,195,000 \$1,995,000
- SOLD 231A**, on Leon River, wells, pecan trees, hunting [DK01] \$665,280
- 102 A, water well, costal, corrals, hunting, mins. & owner financing possible [JB02] \$285,000
- 81 A, Pecan Orchard, 900± improved variety, underground irrig, wells [REM01] \$405,000
- 52 A, 4-3 Brick Home, carport, wells, tanks, corrals, barns [LP01] \$239,500
- 45 A, 7 irrig, wells & pit, buried mainline w/risers, minerals available [NF01] \$2,500/acre
- 30 A, 3-2 1/2 Custom Home, garage, porch, shed/shop, barn, wells, tanks [DB01] \$450,000
- 21A, Sprigged with World Feeder Costal Bermuda grass, water well [MS04] \$92,500
- REDUCED 20 A**, excellent home site, rural water avail, hunting [WM01] \$75,000 \$59,000
- 19A, rolling terrain, Live Oaks, hunting, near Proctor Lk, will divide [LR03] \$2,750/acre
- 15.7 A, Hwy.16 frontage, costal, rural water supply avail, water well [JS02] \$40,820
- 7-4 Brick Home, 2,31 A, 2 fireplaces, CH&A, tile floors, office, Jacuzzi [JN02] \$220,000
- 4-2 Brick Home, 2 fireplaces, CH&A, 2 car garage, +76' x 16' mobile home [JH01] \$159,900
- 4+A, 4-3 Remodeled Brick Home, additional recreational room, water well [RH02] \$149,900
- REDUCED 5A**, 3-1 Frame Home, near Proctor Lk., barn, rural water [LC01] \$92,500 \$89,500
- 5A, 4-2 Brick Home, metal roof, carport, pecan trees, wells & tank, fenced [WK01] \$90,000
- 3-2 Frame Home, CH&A, water well, carport, storage building, large lot [LR04] \$39,900
- 2-2 Brick Home, 2car attach garage, new flooring, large lot, fenced yard [MG02] \$75,000
- 2-2 18' x 60' Mobile Home, 3 car garage, more buildings, water well, fenced [CR01] \$50,000
- REDUCED 2-1 1/2** Frame Home, attached garage, storage building [ST01] \$75,000 \$69,000
- 2-1 Frame Home, 2.3 A, screened porch, water well, storage bldg. [GB02] \$55,000
- Commercial Bldg, on Hwy.36, 6,480 sf, 3 separate units & entrances, CH&A [RC01] \$82,500
- Fully-equipped Restaurant, Hwy.6 DeLeon, 2,998sf(CAD), paved lot, [GM02] \$180,000

More Info & Pictures at: www.GilderRealty.com

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NEW: De Leon: Nice older 3-1 Frame home, 1308 sf, new roof & Plumbing, 2 car garage, fenced yard, corner lot, large Pecan trees. \$33,900.

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

NEW: S/E Gorman: 45 A, sandy land, few Pecan trees, 7 water wells, irrigation reservoir, close to pavement. \$2,500 Acre.

NEW: S/E Gorman: 60 A, good sandy soil, some coastal, good fences, elec., nice pond site. \$2,800 Acre.

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.

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.

NEW: Gorman, 44A, 2-2-2 bi-level frame home, 1728 sf, central a/h, metal roof, covered upper deck, several wells, buildings, coastal, Deer Rother wildlife \$250,000.00

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: 130 A, West Carbon, approximately 40a cult., 35a coastal, pond, elec., county water. \$2,400 Acre.

NEW: S/W De Leon: 131 A with 12 acre lake! 66a coastal, 53a farm land, well, 3 ponds, great fences, good horse place, hunting. \$3,000 Acre.

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., water well, metal building \$2,350.00 acre.

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Card of Thanks

Thanks to everyone who brought flowers and food and a Special Thanks to the Bride of Christ for the dinner they served. Thanks to the pallbearers, Timothy Perez, Joey Perez, Jason Perez, Eric Rivers, John Ibarra, and Louis Reynolds and Denver Rainey and also to Denver for his wonderful message.

The Tim Perez Family

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ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS -- Eastland County Precinct 3 - Rising Star/Gorman is accepting applications for two Temporary Full-Time General Road Hand positions. CDL License is required. Experience with graders and dump trucks helpful. Applications available in the Auditor's Office, Suite 205, Courthouse 254-629-1082. Applications will be accepted through noon April 13, 2009 or until position filled. Eastland County is an Equal Opportunity Employer. 2-4-16 C.

NOW TAKING SEALED BIDS -- Gorman Independent School District is seeking bids on a sound system to be implemented in the new gymnasium. All bids need to be sealed and mailed to Gorman ISD, PO Box 8, Gorman, Texas 76454. For specs on the proposal, contact Cindy Underwood at 254-734-5085 or email cindy@gsd.gorman.texas.us. All bids need to be submitted by 2:00 p.m. on April 24, 2009. Bids that are not sealed can not be accepted. No faxes please. 2-4-16 C.

HOUSE FOR SALE BY OWNER
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YARD SALE: Multi-Family in De Leon, 4451 Hwy. 6, 1/2 mile past De Leon Irrigation with brick entry way. Friday, April 3 - 4 to 6 p.m. and Saturday, April 4, 8 a.m. til ??? Items include Baby, Toddler, Youth items, Men and Women's Clothing, miscellaneous baby items, furniture, antiques, pool table, boat cover, exercise equipment. Nick-nacks lovers welcome. 1tc.

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A huge thanks to everyone who came to 'Breakfast at the DAC' last Saturday. We had a great crowd - I think our biggest yet. It is fun for us to see the folks who have become 'regulars' and to see folks who come for the first time. We had a special treat this time - Sam Mullin from Porkers brought over some sticky buns for us to serve. They were delicious - thanks, Sam!

I want to say a special 'thanks' to Dannis Lozano. You will remember that Dannis is the gentleman from Dublin who has been honored on the local, state and national level for his work with area nursing homes. He does wonderful etching and woodworking. He has attended each of our craft shows at the DAC and will again this year. He has been working on some new things for our upcoming show and he honored me by presenting me with a wooden ornament made from mesquite wood. It is beautiful! You won't want to miss his booth at the craft show on April 17, 18 and 19.

It is dance time again at the DAC. Johnny Johnson and the Memory-Makers will be here, as usual, this Friday evening, April 10th and will play from 7:00 until 9:30 P.M. The concession stand will open at 6:00. Y'all come! A note to all those who help at the DAC: Please stay after the dance if you can to help clean as the building is being rented the next day.

Keep in mind that we will be having our annual garage sale at the DAC sometime in late May or early June. If you have anything that you would like to get rid of that someone else might think is a treasure, please keep us in mind. I will have more details later.

See you in Desdemona!
Carol Pell

Carbon High School Reunion Web Site

A web site for the Carbon High School Reunion is under development. According to Linda (Jackson) Neeley, Chair of the 2010 event, the basic outline for the site is now on line awaiting more input from the school's former students. Alumni are encouraged to log on and complete a student profile and begin to communicate with fellow graduates and classmates. The address is www.carbonhighschoolreunion.org.

If you have any questions, Linda may be contacted through the site, by email lneeley47@yahoo.com, by phone 830-598-5613 or by mail at P. O. Box 8992, Horseshoe Bay, TX 78657.

Happenings At FBC!!

Spring! We see God and His handy work in the true beauty of the spring season. Let your life be a reflection of God's handy work. Experience through Jesus, the crucified Lord, forgiveness of your personal sins and hope of life in heaven.

Mark your calendars:

April 11th - Brotherhood Breakfast - 8:00am - As Gary Mauney says, "If you are a male then you are in the brotherhood!" Come, you will have fun!

April 12th - Easter Sunday - All are invited! 9:45am Sunday School Easter Egg Hunt, Free Easter Pictures, and Worship Service begins at 11:00am. Come to worship and celebrate Jesus with us!

April 23rd - 7:00pm - "Town Hall for Hope" - Everyone is invited! Please join us in the Auditorium for a live nationwide telecast as Dave Ramsey, Christian and Professional Money Expert, addresses the nation on what is really going on with the world's economy.

Children's Sermon: Liz Caraway asked the children to pretend that Bro. Barry got sick and had to go home. Then she asked them which one of them would preach. One brave little girl raised her hand, so Liz asked her what she would preach about. The little girl replied, "About God." Even if we don't feel like we can speak in front of people we must remember that the Bible tells us that God will give us the words to do it. When we need help telling people about Jesus and inviting our friends to church, all we need to do is ask God for help and we will give it to us. Speak from your heart and God will speak through you.

Special Presentation: Grace Watson delivered her monologue for the Speakers Tournament entitled "What has Happened to Our Country". We pray for Grace as she competes and glorifies God in this tournament.

Bro. Barry's message was "Know Your Oppressor" - Exodus 1:11 - Life is busy these days. Getting bogged down keeps us from seeing clearly. Letting Jesus lead your life and telling others about the Gospel of Jesus Christ defines Freedom! If you are suffering from any kind of spiritual oppression it is not God.

I. Know Your Oppressor. - Identify it. Sometimes it is obvious, and many times it is not.

1) Oppression can take many forms. - It will target your weaknesses. Mental, physical, verbal, and sexual abuse. Addictions. Illness. Depression. Pain.

2) If Oppression is all you know, you will think it's normal. - It shows no mercy, it weighs you down, and it seeks your failure.

II. Take a Stand. Exodus 1:15

1) Shiprah & Puah. - Midwives that sheltered and protected Moses from death as an infant. God had a plan for Moses to lead the children of Israel.

2) If you don't take a stand you'll never find Freedom. - Fight oppression with a good and positive attitude.

III. Get a plan from God. Exodus 2:11-15

1) Here-in is the Problem. - Too many people do what they want to do. Gods asks us and commands us in the Bible to listen and obey Him.

2) We always think our plan is the Best Plan. - Your plan is not working. There is no plan better than God's. Stop and regroup that you may know that God is directing your life.

God has a freedom plan for you. Long before now, He laid out the plan in His Word. He has tested it through Christians who have gone before you. If you seek the Lord and ask for His Plan, He will show it to you. If someone told you that you remind him of a Christian, would you be able to say, "I Get That A lot!" The Bible says it is for His namesake that God will show you the way out to joy, happiness, and freedom through Jesus!

Our Worship Service begins at 11:00AM on Sunday mornings - please come and join us! Remember: God loves you like no one else! Email us at fbcgorman@hotmail.com

High School Boys Track Results from Goldthwaite

JV Division

Field Events:

High Jump: - Sergio Hipolito 5th place with a jump of 5'0"

Running Events:

100 Meter Dash - Nathan Gee 2nd place with a time of 12.03 sec.

200 Meter Dash - James Thomas 2nd place with a time of 25.62 sec., Nathan Gee 3rd place with a time of 25.86 sec.

400 Meter Dash - Nathan Gee 2nd place with a time of 58.46 sec., Sergio Hipolito 5th with a time of 1:01.51, and Kiefer Wilson 6th place with a time of 1:01.58 sec.

800 Meter Run - Matthew Cogburn 6th place with a time of 2:32.41 sec.

4 x 100 Meter Relay - Kiefer Wilson, Ben Burgess, Justin Magourik, James Thomas place 3rd with a time of 49.74 sec.

4 x 200 Meter Relay - Alex Giles, Ben Burgess, Justin Magourik, James Thomas place 4th with a time of 1:45.02 sec.

Varsity Division

Field Events:

Shot Put: - James Brown 6th place with a throw of 37' 11 1/2"

Running Events:

100 Meter Dash - Matt Underwood place 3rd with a time of 11.27 sec.

200 Meter Dash - Matt Underwood place 2nd with a time of 23.28 sec.

400 Meter Dash - JC Whitten place 5th with a time of 59.88 sec.

800 Meter Run - JC Whitten place 5th with a time of 2:20.68 sec.

High School Girls Track At Goldthwaite

Varsity

Shot Put - Audrey Johnston- 1st Place

Discus - Kimberly Seaton-5th Place

800m - Luisa Silva- 4th Place

Junior Varsity

Long Jump - Ally Little-3rd Place, Perla Maldonado-5th Place

High Jump - Katey Thackerson-2nd Place

Discus - Erica Limon-2nd Place

Shot Put - Erica Limon-2nd Place

100m Hurdles - Katey Thackerson-5th Place

1600m - Ally little-1st Place, Perla Maldonado-4th Place

CIA - Children's Program

CIA, Firstfruits' Children's Program, has completed its first series of Impacting Your Family. Children were presented with topics that focused on gratitude, honor, and serving. A new series titled Impacting Your Church will begin on April 6th. Its focus will include honoring God's house, and defining the body of Christ and its function. CIA, Children In Action, produces energy driven presentations of God's truths where children are engaged in music, games, drama and lots of fun. The fun starts every Monday at 6:30 pm and wraps up with food at about 7:30 pm. CIA will soon be opening the APEX, a store where children can use their CIA bucks to purchase small toys and other interesting items. The store will open every Monday at 7:30 pm or soon after the evening's presentation.

Children ages 6 to 12 are invited to come and join the fun, games, and excitement as we learn how to impact our church. The excitement continues to grow as children are presented with godly truths. This was expressed in the words of a child who was there this past Monday when he said, "I can't wait 'til next Monday." Other children excited about the program have chosen CIA over other recreational activities. Parents are always welcomed to join their child on any given Monday. If you need a ride or more information, please call 254-734-3203.

Spanish Translation

CIA, programa de los niños de Firstfruits, ha cumplido su primer serie, Impactad Su Familia. Los niños fueron presentados con temas que se centraron en gratitud, en el honor, y de servir. Una nueva serie titulada Impactad Su Iglesia empezará en el 6 de abril. Su enfoque incluirá honrar la casa de Dios, y la definición del cuerpo de Cristo y de su función. CIA, (Children In Action - Niños en Acción), produce presentaciones impulsadas por energía a enseñar las verdades de Dios donde niños participan en la música, los juegos, el drama y mucha diversión. La diversión comienza todos los lunes a las 6:30 de la tarde y termina con alimento como las 7:30 p.m. CIA pronto estará abriendo APEX, una tienda donde los niños pueden utilizar su CIA dinero para comprar juguetes pequeños y otros artículos interesantes. La tienda se abrirá todos los lunes a las 7:30 de la tarde o poco después de la presentación. Niños de 6 a 12 años de edad, están invitados a venir y unirse a la diversión, juegos, y la emoción mientras que aprendemos como impactad nuestra iglesia. La emoción sigue creciendo a medida que los niños se presentan con las verdades de Dios. Esto fue expresado en las palabras de un niño que estaba allí el pasado lunes, cuando dijo, "No puedo esperar hasta el próximo lunes." Otros niños entusiasmados con el programa han optado por CIA sobre otras actividades recreativas. Los padres son siempre bienvenidos a unirse a su hijo en cualquier lunes. Si usted necesita un ride o más información, por favor llame al 254-734-3203.

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Senior Citizens News

By Carol Ward

There were 24 people out to enjoy our weekly dinner and fellowship with one another. This was April 1, but I didn't see anyone pull any tricks. Guess we are beyond that at our ages. Bro. Frank Shirley gave our blessing of the food. He and Beth are doing well and we are always glad to see them.

Our nurses from Medway Home Health were here to check our BP and BS. We are fortunate to have them here the 1st Wednesday of each month. Thanks to Charlotte Green and I failed to get the other ladies name. We appreciate your help to us. Hope next time you can stay and have lunch with us.

We enjoyed a good meal of salmon patties, fish sticks, BBQ Pork, two delicious chicken spaghetti casseroles, stew with biscuits on top and red beans. Our vegies were low with green beans and potatoes, carrots, Cole slaw, and stuffed celery. Also had very, very few desserts, 1 pie, rice crispy treats, and ice cream. Always our good rolls and cornbread. Missed having Icy Munn with us and her delicious deviled eggs.

Our Banker, James Bruton was with us to dine, also Jerry Buckley from Desdemona. Maybe next time his wife can be here also. We have missed seeing Lendon Shipman, especially game night. He has been having several problems. We all signed a card for him, hope it cheers and brightens his day.

We also enjoyed Ray and Goldie Warren being here again and hope they become regulars. He is Ruthie Porter's brother. Hope more new people will come out to dine with us.

There was talk of going out to eat, but didn't come to much of a decisions. I'd like to eat here in our town, but we will see. You can order a child's plate for these who don't eat a lot. The most inexpensive would be CC's Pizza, but not many were interested. Too far to drive I guess. Cook's is always interesting, but also far. I do like Hwy. 6 in De Leon, but you need to go on a Thursday or early in the week, as the others too high on the pocket book.

So sorry to hear of the passing of June Biffel. She was a sister to Geraldene Wright and Winston Brown. She lived in Stephenville. We've missed having Geraldene and Winston with us. Hope they are OK.

Daisy Slaton attended the Desdemona Breakfast on the 4th. She enjoyed visiting with her friends, Larry and Helen Collins from Stephenville. Also Marjorie Swanner whom she worked with years ago, and remained friends.

Hope all is well and see you soon, Carol.

Hotfooters To Offer Clogging Classes

The Breckenridge Hotfooter Cloggers will offer clogging classes for beginner, intermediate and advanced students at 6:30 p.m. every Tuesday in Breckenridge.

The dance club meets at 5 p.m. every Tuesday at 109 N. Baylor St. The group of cloggers performs regularly in Breckenridge and area towns.

For more information, call Shirley Anderson at (254) 559-2567 or (254-246-1972) (cell).

Super Notes

By David K. Perry - dperry@gorman.esc14.net - 734-3171

I hope everyone is enjoying trying to figure out our weather. I know the plants are confused. It is getting harder and harder deciding what to wear each morning, sometimes you need a coat and other times you wish you could wear shorts to work. Thankfully the kids have that option, although some of them get confused as to which day to wear them.

Easter is fast approaching and graduation will be here before we know it. We have many things to keep us busy this time of year. Please take time to enjoy some of the activities with your family. Watch a softball or a baseball game. Go to a track meet. Our District meet is in Tolar this Thursday. Take your family to ZJ's for dinner. Enjoy some time with them before they are gone. Time is one of those things you can never get back once it's past!

We narrowed the choices for athletic director to three and will present them to the board on Wednesday. I hope by Thursday we will have hired a new athletic director. I will let you know as soon as I know.

We are now in the last six weeks. Your child should be coming home with a report card this week. If you don't see one, ask about it or call the school. If you need to talk to a teacher about your child's grades, please call the school and make an appointment during the teacher's conference period.

It will never cease to amaze me the rumors that get started, not only here but anywhere. I don't know if some people get bored and have nothing better to do or if it is their way of trying to get information about which they are afraid to ask someone directly. The two most recent rumors I've heard are really interesting. The first was about the contract of our new principal. It seems that someone is spreading the rumor that he is not going to attend after school events. Have you ever heard of anything more ridiculous? A principal that did not attend school events would not be around very long in any school system. The other rumor was about me. Someone has said that I applied for the superintendent job in Meridian, but did not get it, but I was in the top three. At least they thought enough about me to put me in the top three! I hope the rumor wasn't started because they want me to go somewhere else because they will be disappointed. Just to set the record straight, I have not applied for another superintendent's job anywhere else since I have been here at Gorman. Vicki and I are very happy here. This is a great place to live, to work and to retire when the time comes! If you ever have a question about school business and what is going on, please call or e-mail me. Let's try to keep the rumors to a minimum. Thanks!

Great news! Our representative, Jim Keffer, has signed on in support of HB 1555. Representative Keffer has always done everything he could to support our schools and I want to publicly thank him here. I appreciate it that he values our public education system and the quality of education our kids receive. Now we need to get Senator Fraser on board. Please write, call, e-mail or fax Senator Fraser today and plead with him to sign on in support of the Senate companion bill, SB 982. Legislators do listen to their people. If you know other people that are willing to get involved that live in districts of other legislators, please ask them to do the same as you are going to do and get involved by contacting their legislators ASAP. WE NEED YOU! THE CHILDREN OF TEXAS NEED YOU! I am still listing Representative Keffer's contact information because he still needs to hear from you regarding your support if you have not already contacted him and also to thank him for supporting HB 1555. Here are names and addresses of our legislators:

Senator Troy Fraser

<http://www.senate.state.tx.us/75r/Senate/members/dist24/dist24.htm>

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If anyone reading this article lives in another area and need to know who their legislators are and how to contact them, please e-mail me or call me at the number provided at the top of this article and I will help you. Thanks!

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. Thank you for all you do to support us!

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Desdemona News

By Vonnie Guthery

"Ladies Monthly Social" will be held on Monday morning, April 13th at the Desdemona Community Center. Make plans to arrive at 9 a.m. to enjoy the good food served by the Hostess and to have fellowship with all the group. The next social will be held on Monday, May 11th at the same time and same location. Visitors are welcome.

Robert Alton Brown of Fort Worth spent the past weekend visiting with his parents, Robert and Ima Brown.

Bernard and Ann Keith, Pug and Vonnie (Keith) Guthery attended the memorial service for Woodley Sadberry last Saturday in De Leon. Woodley and wife, Monnie Bell (Newton) were friends of the Keith Family for many years. Our sincere sympathy to this family in the loss of a loved one.

Joan Baker is having some health problems at this time and will have surgery soon. Remember her and others in our Community who are on the sick list with your cards and prayers.

Desdemona Community Center (former school building) will host an All Day Fireman's School on Saturday, May 16. Firemen from the surrounding area are invited to attend. Teachers from Texas A&M will conduct all the classes for this school. "HATS OFF" to all the firemen in these rural areas, they do a great job when needed. Please support your local firemen.

Please contact this reporter with your weekly news. Your help will be appreciated. Thanks and have a great day.

"Happy Easter" to everyone.

Buy-In Waiver Extension Approved for Disaster Assistance Programs

The USDA announced today that producers who did not obtain crop insurance or Non-insured Crop Disaster Assistance Program (NAP) coverage for 2008 can pay a buy-in fee through May 18, 2009 to become eligible for 2008 disaster assistance programs authorized by the Food, Conservation, and Energy Act of 2008.

Producers who have not already taken the necessary steps to become eligible for the Supplemental Revenue Assistance Program (SURE), Emergency Assistance for Livestock, Honeybees, and Farm-Raised Fish (ELAP), and the Tree Assistance Program (TAP) are required to complete the following steps by May 18, 2009:

- Pay a \$100 "buy-in" fee per crop. The maximum fee is \$300 per county, per producer, not to exceed \$900 for multi-county producers.
- In the case of each insurable crop, excluding grazing land, agree to obtain a policy or plan of insurance for the next insurance year for which crop insurance is available; coverage level should equal 70 percent or more of the yield at 100 percent of the price.
- In the case of each noninsurable crop, agree to file the required paperwork and pay the applicable administrative NAP coverage fee by the applicable state application closing date for the next available year.

Producers who choose to "buy in" under this provision will be considered, for insured crops, to have obtained a policy or plan of insurance for the 2008 crop year at a level of coverage not to exceed 70 percent of the yield at 100 percent of the price. For noninsurable crops, producers will be considered to have a level of coverage equal to 70 percent of the yield. These levels of coverage will be used to calculate the 2008 SURE guarantee.

Producers who meet the definition of "Socially Disadvantaged, Limited Resource," or "Beginning Farmer or Rancher," are not required to pay the buy-in fee.

For more information regarding the disaster assistance buy-in waiver and other FSA programs, please contact the Eastland County FSA office or visit the national website at www.fsa.usda.gov.



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