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## Gorman Panthers Area Champions



### Outdoor Burn Ban Reinstated Nov. 24

STATE OF TEXAS )  
COUNTY OF EASTLAND )

#### ORDER RESTRICTING OUTDOOR BURNING

WHEREAS, The Commissioners Court has determined that circumstances present in all or part of the unincorporated area of the county create a public safety hazard that would be exacerbated by outdoor burning;

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED by the Commissioners Court of Eastland County that all outdoor burning is banned in the unincorporated area of the county for 90 days from the date of adoption of this order, unless the restrictions are terminated earlier based on a determination made by the Texas Forest Service or this Court. This Order is adopted pursuant to Local Government Code 352.081, and other applicable statutes. This order does not prohibit outdoor burning activities related to public health and safety that are authorized by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality for (1) firefighter training; (2) public utility, natural gas pipeline or mining operations; or (3) planting or harvesting of agricultural crops; or (4) burns that are conducted by a prescribed burn manager certified under Section 153.048, Natural Resources Code, and meet the standards of Section 153.047, Natural Resources Code.

In accordance with Local Government Code 352.081, a violation of this Order is a Class C Misdemeanor, punishable by a fine not to exceed \$500.00

Adopted this 24th day of November, 2008, by a vote of 4 Ayes and 1 Nays.

(s) Rex Fields  
County Judge, Rex Fields

Attest: (s) Cathy Jentho  
Eastland County Clerk

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 24th of November, 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

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 24TH DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2008 BY THE EASTLAND COUNTY COMMISSIONER'S COURT.

(s) Rex Fields, County Judge

Attest: (s) Cathy Jentho, County Clerk

### Possible Credit Card Scam

There may be a credit card scam via telephone. If someone calls you and wants you credit information, be sure you know exactly who they are, and why they are calling you. Do not give them information if you feel uncertain at all.

Especially do not give out the three numbers on the back of your credit card. If you have any questions, please feel free to call me at the City Office, 734-2317. Thank you, Chief Fenley

### HUMBLING GRATITUDE

"The best and most beautiful things in this world cannot be seen or even heard, but must be felt with the heart". - Helen Keller

Because of the citizens and businesses of our small town and surrounding areas, we felt beautiful things Saturday night. I have no words to express the humbling gratitude that has come upon our family in the past two weeks. So, thank you to all who came out and donated time, money, love and prayers. It would be impossible to make a specific list, not to mention it would take up the whole paper, without all of you this medical procedure could not take place. If you are one of the unfortunate souls that didn't get brisket or dessert, I am very sorry, but what a wonderful thing that the response was so grand that we ran out. I do want to say thanks to the Gorman ISD for the use of the gym, Dr Dan & The Band-Aids, Daryl & Glenda, and The Cross Country Band for the superb entertainment, those who prepared and brought food, those of you that went soliciting and decided what was needed and the ones that organized and served, thank you. We are very fortunate to live here in Gorman.

Thank you all from the bottom of our hearts,

Martha Rainey - Renee' Early and Family & Jill Torres and Family

### Panthers Defeat Muenster In Area; Play Albany In Graham

#### GAME AT A GLANCE

Gorman		De Leon
10	First Downs	23
22/197	Carries/yds.	51/326
97	Passing Yds.	30
4 of 9/2	Complete/Int.	1 of 5/1
2/33	Punts/Avg.	0/0
2/1	Fumbles/Lost	1/0
6/45	Penalties	5/45

The Gorman Panthers played the Muenster Hornets at the Burleson Sports Complex on Friday night and surprised the Hornets both on offense and defense as they played much better final half on defense than the first. The Big Red came out smoking in the second half and held the Hornets to 1 first down and continued their outstanding play in the fourth for a 27-19 shocker. Muenster led 7-0 in the first quarter and 13 to 7 at halftime, but the Big Red came out pumped up after the intermission and tied the score at the end of third period, then added 14 in the final quarter for the Area win. They held the Hornets to only 6 points in the last half.

The Hornets held the Panthers on their initial possession, and got the ball on their own 25 via the interception route. From there the Hornets scored in 8 plays with Garrett Walterscheid catching a 45 yard pass from Levi Trubenbach for the score with 6:32 left in the first. Walterscheid added the point after and Muenster was up 7-0.

The Panthers came back in the second quarter on a scoring drive that started on their own 23 after holding the Hornets. After a 2 yard run by Matt Underwood and a 10 yard penalty on the Hornets. The Big Red scored on a beautiful pass and run play by Tyson Swanner to Drew McCreless covering 60 yards. Swanner added the point after and the score was 7-7.

The Hornets answered right back with a 82 yard drive in 14 plays with Trubenbach getting the final yard with 1:24 left in the half. The kick try failed and the score was 13-7. This held up until halftime.

Both Bands performed outstanding jobs and the cheerleaders from both

The Gorman Panthers will play the Albany Lions at the Graham Stadium on Friday, November 28 at 2:00 P.M. The game was originally stated the play at 7:30.

sides did real good routines.

Following the break the two teams played on fairly even terms with the Big Red Defense holding the Hornets to just 1 first down in the third.

The Big Red Defense intercepted a Hornet pass by Matt Underwood and returned it to the Hornet 39 yard line. From there the Panthers drove the distance for the tying score in 7 plays with Underwood getting the final yard on a run with 45 seconds left in the third. The kick for point failed and the score was 13-13. The drive featured runs of 9, 3, 2 and 11 by Underwood and a 10 yarder by Justin Little and a 4 yarder by Swanner.

After holding the Hornets the Panthers took over the ball on their own 37 and in one big explosion, the Big Red scored on a beautiful pass and run when Swanner passed to Drew McCreless and he raced the distance for a 63 yard TD with 10:40 left in the fourth. Swanner booted the point after and Gorman led 20-13.

The Panthers got another break when they again intercepted a Hornet pass on their own 18 by Underwood. Following runs of 2 and 6 by Underwood, Swanner broke free and raced 62 yards for the TD with 2:36 left. Swanner added the point after and Gorman had a 27-13 lead.

The Hornets came back with a drive of their own and scored in 11 plays with Tann Herr scoring on a 5 yard pass with 30 seconds left. The kick failed and the score was Gorman 27 and Muenster 19.

The win give the Panthers the Area Trophy and sets up another playoff game on Friday with the Albany Lions at 2 p.m. at the Graham Stadium. So let's all follow the Panthers to Graham and back the Panthers to victory.

Go Get 'Em Big Red!!

### PANTHER VICTORY LINE

The football boys will be leaving at 10:00 a.m. on Friday. We want to build Gorman's longest victory line so we would like everyone to line Kent street from the school to the downtown area and see our Panther team off on their way to Graham. So everyone please come out to share in the spirit and show our team our support.

Happy Holidays!

YOU are Invited -

Join us for a time of Fellowship!

What: Bro. Barry and Sharlene Schahn's

Open House Fellowship

When: Saturday - Dec. 6, 2008 - 2pm to 4pm

Where: Jerry and Virginia Skaggs's Home

19950 Hwy 6

Gorman, TX

We hope to see you there!



# Pig Tales From Hogtown

We were so pleased with the crowd we had at the dance last Thursday evening. Thank you all for coming. We will not have a dance in December but will start up again in January. Watch Pig Tales for the date.

'Breakfast at the DAC' will be December 6th from 7:00A.M. until 10:00A.M. The drawing for the Ruger Hawkeye rifle will be held during the breakfast hours. You can still buy tickets at the Country Corner anytime or at the Christmas Store which starts Thursday, December 4th.

The Christmas Store will be held December 4th through the 6th and December 11th through the 13th. Y'all come.

Even with all the problems our country is facing right now and all the injustices or perceived injustices there are, we still live in the greatest country in the world. If you don't believe it, spend some time studying what goes on in other countries. Let's all give thanks everyday that we are here!

Happy Thanksgiving! -- Carol Pell

## Happenings At FBC!!!

Home! Truly, there is no place like home; there is nothing like being in harmony with familiar surroundings! Gorman is a fantastic place to live.

- Mark your calendars:
- Nov. 27th - Wishing you all a blessed and bountiful Thanksgiving Day!
  - Dec. 6th - 2:00pm - Bro. Barry and Sharlene's Time of Fellowship at Skaggs's Home.
  - Dec. 7th - Youth Led Sunday
  - Dec. 7th - Youth Luncheon
  - Dec. 14th - 6:00pm - Church Holiday Meal - bring your favorite dish or dishes.

Liz Caraway's Children Sermon: The Thanksgiving Holiday is this week. Liz told of one family's Thanksgiving tradition: while at the table they read Psalm 100 and then pass an ear of corn. Each person takes one kernel from the ear of corn and states something they are thankful for. There are a lot of kernels so that mean a lot of things to be thankful for. God is always on our side. Therefore, we can give thanks for many things and praise God's name.

Bro. Barry's message was "Take Me On A Sea Cruise" - Matthew 25:28.  
 Bro. Barry showed a slide show of their recent vacation - the photos displayed the beauty of God's magnificent creations on the Caribbean islands and the beauty of the family and friends they were able to visit. It is a wonderful blessing to have a family and a church family. God works through these bodies in miraculous ways.

The Bible story in Matthew tells us how the lord, the one in charge, gave three individual talents and all three of them did different things with them. The man that buried his talent in the dirt was called wicked by the lord, and was told to give his talent to the man who had ten. The talent was worthless while buried, even if it had been put in the bank it could have earned nominal interest. What are we to do during these uncertain times we are living in?

1. Stay Calm - God gave us talents. It's beyond sad to hear that some have already committed suicide over their current financial troubles. Take a deep breath, and don't panic.
  2. Learn from the Past - Life lessons can be hard. Learn from your mistakes!
  3. Live Smart - When you feel like life has bowled you over, don't dig a hole! Trust God, and conclude with Jesus as your Savior all things are possible.
- Jesus never lets us down and He is always there. Jesus loves YOU!  
 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 fbegorman@hotmail.com

### ITEMS OF INTEREST

**SANDRA CAGLE WILL BE IN GORMAN AT THE CITY OFFICE TO RENEW AUTO LICENSE PLATES. HER NEXT VISIT IS WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 17TH 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  
 Tuesdays - 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. Technology 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.

### Sen. Cornyn Encourages Texans To Support Our Men And Women In Uniform With Holiday Greetings

U.S. Sen. John Cornyn, a member of the Senate Armed Services Committee, today encouraged all Texans to participate in "Holiday Mail for Heroes," an effort led by the American Red Cross to deliver holiday cards to our service members and their families. Sen. Cornyn's Web site features a link on the homepage for Texans interested in participating: [www.cornyn.senate.gov](http://www.cornyn.senate.gov)

"As the holiday season approaches and we gather with our families, I hope each of us takes the time to consider the great sacrifices our servicemen and women have made to ensure our safety and well-being. Many of these heroes are far from home this holiday season, serving on the front lines or training at military bases. Many of our wounded warriors will be spending the holidays recovering in hospitals and medical facilities across the country. One important way we can show them our support is by sending a holiday message to wish them well," Sen. Cornyn said.

"I encourage all Texans to participate in 'Holiday Mail for Heroes' and send a greeting to our troops. It is a small effort we can make that can brighten the day of a serviceman or woman who is serving selflessly on our behalf. Please visit my Web site, [www.cornyn.senate.gov](http://www.cornyn.senate.gov), for helpful information on how to ensure your holiday greeting makes its way to one of America's heroes today."

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### Come Help Us Celebrate Our Re-Grand Opening



With a  
 ★ ★ **Free BBQ Lunch!** ★ ★

This Saturday, November 29 we'll be serving home cooked brisket, ham, beans, potato salad and all the trimmings from 11 a.m. until 1 p.m., or until it all runs out. You won't want to miss it! There will also be prize drawings!

### Just in Time for Christmas Shopping

You'll also get the opportunity to see our greatly expanded western wear store and more. We're adding new lines of western and work clothing, boots, hats and accessories. We have western gift items, tack, veterinary supplies, show supplies, fencing supplies and hardware, all in addition to our Purina line of packaged and bulk animal feeds. Of course, we also sell custom blended dry and liquid fertilizer and can provide custom fertilizer application.



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### CHRISTMAS BINGO!

#### Christmas Will Soon Be Here!

We are having our Country Christmas, December 5th Make Plans to Join Us.

There will be lots going on, we will provide Vendors with a 6 or 8 foot table and the cost is only \$20.00.

It will be held in the De Leon City Hall Auditorium from 5 p.m. to 10 p.m.

There will be Entertainment for the Children and Pictures Made With Santa and The Grinch (when the children come the parents will come).

The Downtown Stores will be having **OPEN HOUSE**

With lots of good food. If you would like to reserve a space please call the De Leon Chamber at 254-893-2083 or send in your application.

Looking forward to seeing you and having lots of fun. Also being held is

**The Peanut / Pecan Walk of Fame**

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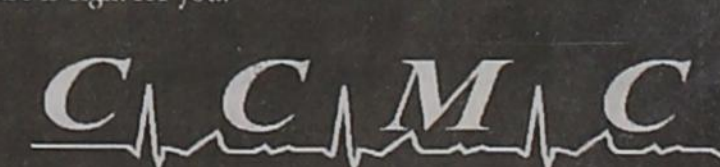
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