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Back To School - August 24th

Youth Football and Cheerleading Signups Set

Gorman Youth Sport Council is starting a Youth Football program. First and Second graders will play Flag Football. Third thru Sixth graders will play full contact.

We are needing donations for approved helmets, football pants, pads, shoulder pads, and other equipment. We are planning on having a team for each group: *Flag - 1st and 2nd; Tackle - 3rd and 4th; Tackle - 5th and 6th.*

Signup for Youth Cheerleading will be Saturday, August 22nd from 8 a.m. to 10 a.m. Laminack's Shop at the flashing light. Hope to see you there.

Signup will be Saturday, August 22nd from 8 a.m. to 11 a.m. in the front of Laminack Construction at the blinking light in Gorman. Anyone wishing to Coach or play that can't sign up on Saturday or for more information please call Revise - 254-734-6835; Becky - 254-734-5959; Marco - 254-631-5890 or Barbara - 254-243-0284. See You There.

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ON AUGUST 21, 2009

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Daniel Keeping Rodeos On

In the last two weeks Daniel Keeping has completed two rough stock rodeo finals events and is preparing for his third and final one of the season. On August 4th he traveled to Fort Worth for the Youth Bull Riders World Finals held at the Will Rogers Coliseum.

The YBR finals had three long go rounds held August 5, 6, and 7. The top ten qualifiers in each age group then participated in the short go round on Saturday, August 8th. Championship Bull Riding was the main sponsor of the event with over \$20,000 in total prize money available and 3265 riders from mutton busters to the open bull division. There were 62 participants in Dan's age group from across the United States. As an example riders from Arizona, California, Nevada, Colorado, Kansas, Missouri, Oklahoma, Virginia and South Carolina competed against a large contingent from Texas in just the Junior Steers Division.

Dan had a tough first round and was bucked off of his first draw. The next day he settled in and placed in the top ten in that go round winning some day money. He also rode his third steer, but failed to place in the money. Unfortunately Dan failed to make it to the short go, placing 23rd out of 62 riders. He has, however, already qualified to return to the World Finals in 2010 and looks to redeem himself.

On August 15th Daniel traveled to the Lone Star Arena in Stephenville for the Pro-Youth Rodeo Association Finals. This was a two day event and Dan had won the Championship in Calf Riding last year with this organization. He had a lot at stake this year as he had been the points leader in the Steer Riding Division all season.

The first steer he drew went out away from his hand and was a hard buck. In the end Dan remained in control and he won the go round on it. On Sunday, August 16th Dan drew a solid bucking animal, however, it failed to turn back so he was scored low on it. This allowed the young man who was in second place in the overall standings to score high enough for him to overtake Daniel, but it did cause a few nervous moments and a lot of furious math calculations. Dan walked away with the Steer Riding Champion Buckle at the end of the day.

Dan has one more regularly scheduled rough stock event with the Future Pro Bull Riders Association on August 22nd in Granbury. He then has the Future Pro Finals on Labor Day weekend at the Toby Floyd Arena in Morgan Mill. Dan has a solid lead in that organization and won the Memorial Day Bull Bash event in his age group this year. He still needs to stay sharp and make his rides to ensure the Championship with them. It is a three ride event, all occurring on one day. There are two long go rounds and then the short go round. There is very little time to recuperate after being battered during a ride so he has to "Cowboy Up" to win it all.

Daniel is very grateful to his sponsors for their support and generous contributions. First Glock Inc. For being his year long sponsor and to his advertising sponsors Panda Flowers in Gorman, The Gorman Lions Club and Mike Brown Dodge in Granbury. Please remember to thank and support these businesses and organizations for making it possible for our young people to compete in these types of events!

CIA in Gorman RESUMES

After taking a short recess to encourage Children In Action (CIA) Agents to attend area VBS programs, CIA has once again started meeting on Mondays at 6:30 pm at Firstfruits Christian Fellowship. All children ages 6-12 are invited to come and learn to be Agents for Christ. With lots of music, games, food, fun and excitement there is something for all to enjoy. Our focus for the next few weeks is Impacting Your Community. Parents are welcome to come too. And volunteers are always welcome. So come and see what you've been hearing about. We have some exciting things planned for the Fall so don't miss a single night. See you there. For more info or a ride call 734-3203.

Gorman ISD is gearing up for the start of school. Open house for Gorman ISD will be August the 20th between 6:00PM and 7:00PM. This will give the students, parents, and teachers a chance to get acquainted and to tour the new building. Students are welcome to bring their school supplies at this time.

School will begin August the 24 from 7:59AM until 3:10PM. Students will receive free breakfast again and will start going in to eat at 7:30.

New students not registered need to check in at the Campus Offices.

TOWEL NIGHT FOR THE PANTHERS

The Gorman Panthers will scrimmage the Baird Bears Friday, September 21 at Brogdon Field beginning at 6:00 pm. The Panthers need Towels Only. Make this a night to come out and help support the Panthers against the Baird Bears. GO PANTHERS!!!

SUPPORT THE PANTHERS

The Gorman Panthers will scrimmage the Baird Bears Friday, September 21 at Brogdon Field beginning at 6:00 pm. The Gorman Athletic Booster Club will be selling hamburger meals at the scrimmage so everyone come hungry and support the Panthers and the booster club at the same time. The booster club will also have Panther Spirit shirts available along with window decals. Panther flip flops may also be purchased at the scrimmage. Everybody be ready to help kick off the season with the Gorman Panthers!! See you on Friday. GO BIG RED!

PEANUT FESTIVAL QUEEN'S CONTEST

This year's contest will be on Sunday, September 6th. Any girl entering Pre-k thru 12th grade enrolled in Gorman school is eligible. We have 5 age groups and would love to have you represent Gorman as our next Queen. The High School girls will also be eligible to win a \$250.00 scholarship. For more information, please contact Veronica Seaton @ 254-734-5052. Entry deadline is Friday, Aug. 28th.

Statement of Non-Discrimination

The Gorman ISD does not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age, disability, military status, genetic information, or on any other basis prohibited by law. Employment decisions will be made on the basis of each applicant's job qualifications, experience, and abilities.

5th Sunday Singing Is Coming!!!!

August 30th will be the big day for 5th Sunday of the month and we all know what that means...its time to sing and fellowship! This month the Gorman United Methodist Church is proud to host the community for the fun and fellowship event! Invite all your friends and neighbors; your aunts, uncles, cousins, grandparents...

ALL ARE WELCOME!!!!
REMEMBER: BRING A LOVE OF SINGING AND A SNACK TO SHARE! Drinks will be provided!

SCHOOL MENU Week of Aug. 24 thru 28

BREAKFAST

MONDAY - Cereal, Biscuits, Juice and Milk
TUESDAY - French Toast, Fruit, Juice and Milk.
WEDNESDAY - Cheese Toast, Hash Browns, Juice and Milk.
THURSDAY - Eggs, Toast, Gravy, Juice and Milk.
FRIDAY - Bacon, Eggs, Biscuits, Juice and Milk.

LUNCH

MONDAY - Baked Ham or Corn Dog, Mac and cheese, Black-eyed peas, oranges, bread slices and Milk.
TUESDAY - Pork Chop or Chicken Legs, cheese potatoes, broccoli, roll, crisp and Milk.
WEDNESDAY - Chicken/rice or Pigs in a Blanket, Carrot Coins, Tossed Salad, Crackers, Fruit and Milk.
THURSDAY - Chicken Spaghetti or Ravioli, cheese sticks, corn, green beans, bread stick, fruit and Milk.
FRIDAY - Chili Dogs or Toasted Ham and Cheese, Baked Beans, French Fries, Ice Cream and Milk.

REMINDER TO THE CITIZENS OF GORMAN:

The lids must be closed on the poly carts in order for the waste management people to keep the waste from falling onto the street. Please DO NOT overfill them. If you need an extra poly cart, (trash receptacle) please call the City Office at 734-2317 and we will be happy to get you one. Also, you must have your trash to the curb by 7:00 a.m. in order to insure pick up.

Thank You, Gorman City Hall.

De Leon Rodeo Association Presents:

The 1st Annual De Leon Open Rodeo in over 30 years!!!

Having just finished up from the Peach and Melon Festival, folks, the fun just keeps coming with the De Leon Rodeo Association in full swing as they are hard at work getting the fairgrounds transformed into a full blown rodeo facility.

In years past the De Leon Riding Club had been putting on a junior rodeo, and western horse show, and decided to put on an amateur rodeo on the July 4th weekend in 1964. They started with a down town street parade lead by Club Sweetheart, Miss Barbara Stephens, and the De Leon High School Band in western attire. Some of the local rodeo contestants included Darrell Kimmel (our own De Leon Rodeo Association President), and in later years, Trent Thomas.

The De Leon Rodeo Association has been meeting each week for the past 3 months. The Board of Directors include Darrell Kimmel - Rodeo Event Director/President, Ronnie Quinn - Vice President, Jane Martinez - Treasurer, Rhonda Auvenshine - Secretary, Directors include: Jason Clark,

Jimmy Baugh, Eddy and Nelly Prado, Brad Ballenger, Frank Haardt, and Rick Gretsinger. Members include Joyce Clark, Shannon Haardt, Jamie Ballenger, Betty Terrell and Linda Gretsinger and Michael Baugh as of this date.

The rodeo is only days away, directors and members have been working hard together to get everything required to put on this special event. Some include, preparing the rodeo arena ground, making banners, sponsorships, advertisements such as newspapers, radio ads and interviews.

The Rodeo Queen Committee has been working hard to get the rodeo queen contestants ready. The contestants will be introduced at the Friday Night Rodeo Performance. Then on Saturday, August 22 at 9:00 am, the contestants will show their riding abilities and interviews with the judges. The winner will be announced on Saturday evening. Everyone is welcome to attend the Saturday morning competition at 9:00 am. The queen recipient will be rewarded with a \$200 college scholarship to be used at any college of their choice.

Some highlights of the rodeo include: Friday Night - WRANGLER NIGHT - They will be having drawings for Wrangler Clothing Gift Certificates. Also, each youngster will receive a Wrangler hat sticker, as well as the first 250 ticketholders through the gate will receive a free gift. Saturday night is COCA COLA NIGHT - they'll be providing a free BBQ sandwich and Coca Cola with each rodeo ticket not to mention the first 250 folks through the gate will receive a free gift.

Adam Carrillo, 11 time PBR bull riding qualifier, will be the mutton busting judge both nights as well as signing autographs along with Adam will be "Super" Dave Samsel, veteran bull rider. An appearance and autograph signing by "Razor Sharp" Jim Sharp, two time PRCA world champion bull rider, on Friday night. There will be Buckles awarded both nights for the Mutton Busting, 1st through 7th place, with 1st being a custom buckle.

Mutton Busting and Calf Scramble entries will need to be turned in before the rodeo performance which will begin at 8:00 each evening.

There will be also be various vendors to shop with everything you can imagine from custom tack, handmade candles, custom jewelry, iron and horseshoe art and more.

Terry Walls will be the stock contractor and is sure to put on a good show. This rodeo is sanctioned by the UPRA, CPRA, TCRA.

Tickets are \$10 at the gate and can be purchased in advance for \$9 at Stockman's Western Apparel, and Prado's Mexican Restaurant in De Leon. Clay's Processing in Dublin. Chick Elm's Grand Entry and Saddle Rags in Stephenville.

The De Leon Rodeo Association would like to see everyone come out Friday night, August 21st and Saturday night August 22nd, for what we hope to become a long standing tradition in De Leon. Hope to see you there!!!

OPEN HOUSE!

That's right, we are having a school wide open house this Thursday on the 20th of August from 6:00pm to 7:00pm and you are all invited. You do not have to have any children in school to attend or even live in Gorman. I know a lot of you want to see the new high school and gymnasium that live in the surrounding area as well as those of you that live here and have not been able to stop by. We are looking forward to showing it off. It is a wonderful addition to Gorman!

**Gorman Lions Club
BROOM AND MOP SALE
118 S. Kent Street in Gorman
Thursday - October 8th - 8 a.m.
Please Come By To Support Our Club!**



Obituary

Sherry Elaine Thornton

Sherry Elaine Thornton, age 52 of Gorman, passed away Sunday, August 16, 2009 at the Homestead Nursing Home in Gorman.

Funeral services were 2:00 P.M. Tuesday at the First Baptist Church in Gorman with Bro. Barry Schahn officiating. Burial was in the Gorman Cemetery.

Sherry was born November 23, 1956 in Gorman to Clyde Porter and Ruthie Warren Porter. Sherry married Billy Charles Thornton on September 1, 1984 in Gorman. She was a homemaker and a member of the First Baptist Church.

Survivors include her husband, Billy Thornton of Gorman; daughter, Emily Ruth Thornton of Gorman; stepdaughter, Sonya Hagood of Mansfield; mother, Ruthie Porter of Gorman; brother, Tim Porter and wife, Lynn of Gorman; three grandchildren and three nieces, Kalya Porter of Stephenville, Shari Henson of Lubbock and Jeannie Murchison of Buchanan Dam. She was preceded in death by her father, Clyde Porter.

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INVESTORS - INVESTORS - INVESTORS - This property consists of 2 structures. A 2 story office building, old cafe. This property has a lot of possibilities!! C19 DO A LITTLE AND SAVE A LOT! Great potential for this 3 or 4 bedroom, 3 bath brick home nestled in 7 wooded acres with outbuildings at the edge of Gorman. SAVE \$\$\$ HA17

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BEAUTIFUL/HANDSOME BABY CONTEST

This years contest will be Saturday, September 12, 2009 during the Peanut Festival. Age divisions are 0 - 12 months, 1 year olds, 2 year olds and 3 years olds. We will be selecting a winner from each age group for girls and boys. We will also be giving out individual awards for various categories. Entry fee is \$10.00. For further information please contact Veronica Seaton @ 254-734-5052 or pick up an entry form at City Hall. Entry deadline is September 1st.

Heather Patterson Wins NBHA World Title

Heather Patterson of Albany won the 2009 National Barrel Horse Association (NBHA) 4D Teen World Championship, the largest youth barrel race in the world, during the competition held July 19-25 in Jackson, Mississippi.

Patterson, a 2009 Albany High School graduate, qualified for the finals by placing fourth in the second round "short-go." Last year, she finished third in the same division, riding both years on her horse, "Southern Form," more informally known as "Gus".

Heather and Gus brought home more than \$2,000 in prize money, as well as a saddle, two Gist Buckles, Tony Lama Boots, Professional's Choice tack, feed and a championship jacket, along with the use of a Four-Star trailer for a year.

Patterson has qualified and competed in the youth world competition for the past five years. There were more than 1,000 participants in the Teen Division for contestants 13 and over, coming from 37 states, as well as Canada and Italy.



Heather Patterson and her horse "Gus" will travel in style to her

Contestants must qualify each year in their respective states to compete in the NBHA Youth World Championships.

Patterson is the daughter of Richard and Suzie Patterson of Albany and the granddaughter of Nell Ridens of Desdemona.

Pig Tales From Hogtown

Wow! We raised the roof on the Activity Center Friday night!! A huge crowd attended our dance. Didn't we have a great time? Johnny Johnson and the Memory-Makers always put on a wonderful show for us! Come on to Desdemona the second Friday night in September and see what the fun is all about. The band plays from 7:00 until 9:30. The cost is \$5.00 per person and the concession stand opens at 6:00. A very special thanks to the ladies of the community who donate the food for the concession stand! A very special thanks, also, to Marvin Moon of Lingleville. Marvin, who installed the original A/C units in our building, donated his time to install the new one that we added. We were so glad to have the extra unit last Friday!

The Back Porch Musical Society holds a jam session at the DAC each Thursday afternoon from 3:00 to 5:00. We would like to invite you to bring your instruments, your singing voices, or just your toes for tapping and join in the fun. Along with our regulars last Thursday, we had folks from Ranger and Dublin. Y'all come back!

Mark your calendars now for October 17th. The Hogtown Hootenanny will happen in Desdemona on that day. We will have a craft show just in time for Christmas shopping. Other things are on the agenda, also. The men will cook bar-b-que sandwiches and there will be music and games.

See you in Desdemona!
Carol Pell

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SOLD 30 A, 3-2 1/2 Custom Home, garage, porch, shop, barn [DB01] \$450,000
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4+A, 4-3 Remodeled Brick Home, additional recreational room, water well [RH02] \$149,900
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NEW: S/E Gorman: 45 A, sandy land, few Pecan trees, 7 water wells, irrigation reservoir, close to pavement. \$2,500 Acre.
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Water System Maintenance

Along with the Texas heat at this time of year always comes the additional challenges faced by the City, and the Upper Leon River Municipal Water District, and in some areas by a local Water Supply Corporation that may provide your water, to maintain their various Water Distribution Systems at a level to provide the highest quality of water possible.

While many times the source of water, which in our case is Proctor Lake, has a finger pointed at it as the reason for taste and odor issues, colored water conditions, or other issues... the "distribution system" that delivers water to our homes and businesses plays an ever-increasing larger role in the quality of water we receive and can in fact be a major contributor to water system problems. Many issues can be significantly improved upon by various system maintenance procedures such as flushing and turning over slow moving parts of the water system. Disinfectant levels are always a primary concern and while many unpleasant aesthetics may occur, the system's water remains regulatorily compliant as long as the disinfectant remain at levels required for the various types of disinfectants. Your water system has utilized "chloramines" as its primary disinfectant and in the interest of doing all that is necessary to minimize any undesirable properties that may now exist and to prevent compromising the safety of the water in your system, the Upper Leon River Municipal Water District and your local provider will be changing the disinfectant to "free chlorine" for a period of time to provide what may be described as a "shock treatment." While colored water and taste and odor issues may currently exist, the disinfectant change may or may not even be noticeable. However, these are common side-effects of this process. While these nuisances exist, be assured that these steps are measures taken to improve our water system's integrity and will be a step leading to overall improved water quality.

The District will begin converting the treatment plant over to use "free chlorine" as a primary disinfectant sometime after August 19th and the entire system will be systematically converted from chloramines to free chlorine. The process will continue for a time yet to be determined, but currently estimated at three to four weeks to ensure the full beneficial effects of this process throughout each entities' complete system. At the end of that time the system will be converted back to chloramines. Local officials and water system personnel will work diligently to take the necessary steps to minimize issues and do all that is necessary to substantially improve our water distribution systems. Questions or concerns regarding these matters may be directed to local water system personnel or by contacting the Upper Leon River Municipal Water District @ 254-879-2228.

Happenings At FBC!!

Free! God's truth can only be received from God whom freely gives it. Honor God, deepen your worship to Him, and be better equipped to tell others about Jesus.

Mark your calendars:
Aug. 24th - First Day of School - Please pray for students, parents, teachers, & administration.
Aug. 30th - Fifth Sunday Singing at the Gorman Methodist Church.

Children's Sermon: It's almost time "back to school", and in preparation we must get everything on our school supply school list. Liz showed us four different pencils and told us how each one represents different types of people. 1) Pencil is not sharp on either end, can't do anything, so this person sits around doing nothing. 2) Pencil with eraser at both ends, this person is so afraid they are going to make a mistake they don't try anything. 3) Pencil is sharp on both ends, this person does everything and never admits they make a mistake. 4) Pencil is sharp on one end and has an eraser on the other, God wants us to try new things and do things for others so we can know Him and ask Him into our hearts, and when we do make a mistake we can confess it to God and ask His forgiveness. Ask Jesus for forgiveness, He'll erase your sin and you'll get a clean slate.

Special Guest: Cedric Bettis, Gideon Speaker. Cedric came to report what God has done through men and the Word of God. There are many Gideons of different denominations all over the world. Gideons and the Bibles placed in locations such as hotel rooms and hospital waiting rooms are a witness and lead people to Jesus. The mission of the Gideon Ministry is to win the lost and lead people to know Jesus. The Gideon Ministry is a missionary arm of the Church. There were over seventy-seven million Bibles passed out last year alone. Cedric shared several wonderful testimonies. Even today, there are some people in the USA that do not have a Bible in their home.

- Cedric Bettis represents the Gideon Ministry in asking the following four items:
1. Please pray everyday to open doors for the Gideon Ministry in other countries and even in our own country.
 2. Solicit Members.
 3. Each Gideon greeting card you purchase goes toward the cost of a Bible.
 4. Your financial support is needed and every penny goes toward the purchase of a Bible.

God Bless the Gideon Ministry.
 Bro. Barry's message: "No Gold, Just Jesus!" - Acts 3:6 - When you open the drawer of a hotel nightstand you find a Gideon Bible. There are countless testimonies of how many lives the Word of God has saved. The Bible is the inspired Word of our living God. We can give Bibles in the name of Jesus, and only in heaven will we know the difference it made in the lives of people. What is more valuable a Bible or one thousand dollars? Jesus changes your life for eternity, money does not. Devote your life to serving 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

Carbon - Then and Now

Linda Neeley, Chair, 2010 Carbon School Reunion

Time is an interesting concept. As children, the time between one Christmas and the next seemed to be an eternity. As adults, we just get the decorations stored away, and it is time to get them out again, or so it seems. My classmates and I graduated from Carbon High School in 1965 -- just a short 44 years ago. To those school mates who graduated in 1990, the last graduating class of Carbon High School, it probably seems like yesterday when each received that coveted diploma. When we gather next year for the reunion, however, it will be the 20th anniversary of the event. Four years ago at the 2005 Carbon High School Reunion when my uncontrollable habit of volunteering raised its hand and agreed to chair the next reunion, 2010 seemed a long time off. Now, in 2009, I am acutely aware that it is less than a year away.



The theme for the reunion is Memories in Pictures. As we know, memories are recollections of times past. Research for the new website for Carbon High School has revealed more and more memorable times, places and events which have taken place in the community as well as in the school. Some of the stories are funny, some happy, some sad, all entertaining and reminders of the past. Some of the accounts are illustrated with wonderful, priceless photos.

Over the next twelve months, some of these stories will be shared with you in a series of occasional articles to be published in the Eastland Telegram and Gorman Progress. The articles will be published on the website under the heading of Then and Now. My sincere appreciation to the newspapers for publishing the articles written thus far and for the ones that will be printed.

Where to begin? Well, as the old saying goes -- the best place to begin is at the beginning. In this story that would be 125 years ago in 1884 when the school was established. The following article was published in the Eastland Telegram on July 6, 1980. As with any historical occasion, there may be discrepancies between the various accounts. The author of this article is unknown to me; therefore the statements cannot be verified with the writer. In the 1980 account, 1910 is indicated as having been the year of the first graduating class. As information has been received from former students and citizens of the community of Carbon, 1913 has been reported as the year of the first graduating class. As we continue to explore records, we should be able to determine which is correct.

Time -- we cannot stop it but we can try to preserve it for those who come after us. Enjoy the journey down memory lane!

REMINDER

TRASH PICK UP ON TUESDAY BEGINS AT 7:00 a.m. IF YOU DON'T WANT YOUR TRASH TO BE MISSED YOU MUST HAVE IT OUT BY THE CURB.

ATTENTION LIVESTOCK EXHIBITORS

IF YOU PLAN TO SHOW IN ANY MAJOR LIVESTOCK SHOW CONTACT MR. BOLES AT GORMAN ISD BY FRIDAY AUGUST 21, 2009. YOU MAY REACH HIM AT (254) 734-2505 OR (254) 734-2614 OR SEE HIM AT THE GORMAN AG SCIENCE BUILDING.

PANTHER FLIP

FLOPS ARE HERE

The Gorman Panther flip flops have arrived!! If you ordered a pair of these shoes then please expect to see the cheerleader you ordered from soon.

If you are not contacted, then please call Becky at 734-2480. Any persons who want a pair of the flip flops, but did not order can still get them while sizes last.

Please call any cheerleader or Becky Swanner at the above number. Don't be left out, get your Panther fan flips now!!!

Attention All Gorman

Panther Band Members!

Summer Band Camp will begin on August 10, 2009 in the Gorman Band Hall. Americana Meets Hip-Hop is the theme for the 2009 marching season. The schedule for summer band is as follows:

Friday, August 14, 2009	5:00 PM - 9:00 PM
Monday, August 17, 2009	5:00 PM - 9:00 PM
Tuesday, August 18, 2009	5:00 PM - 9:00 PM
Wednesday, August 19, 2009	3:30 PM - 5:30 PM
Thursday, August 20, 2009	5:00 PM - 9:00 PM
Friday, August 21, 2009	5:00 PM - 9:00 PM

Looking forward to seeing you there! - Mr. H

HABITUAL OFFENDER SENTENCED

TO 32 YEARS FOR DWI

John Mark Evans, formerly of Lamesa, was sentenced to 32 years confinement for the felony offense of Driving While Intoxicated, which was enhanced with prior felony convictions previously served in prison. Evans, 43, was detained on May 31, 2008 by a Ranger Police Officer after a 911 call had been made by a motorist on Interstate 20 reporting the reckless manner in which the defendant was driving. Texas Department of Public Safety Trooper Shawn Lewis then conducted a DWI investigation. The defendant was determined to be intoxicated, arrested, and breath test results showed him to have an alcohol level at twice the legal limit.

The Defendant represented by his counsel, Landon Thompson of Cisco, had waived his right to trial by a jury; therefore, Judge Steven R. Herod of the 91st District Court heard and considered the evidence presented, including that of a defense "expert" in the area of field sobriety testing. After finding the Defendant guilty of Driving While Intoxicated - Third Offense or More, Judge Herod heard additional testimony concerning punishment. That evidence included proof that the Defendant had been previously convicted and sent to prison on three different occasions for: three Robberies, a Burglary and a felony Theft. In addition, the Defendant had three prior misdemeanor DWI convictions. A felony DWI is classified as a third degree felony with a punishment range of not less than 2 and no more than 10 years confinement and up to a \$10,000 fine. In this case, the Criminal District Attorney's Office enhanced the case to a higher punishment range using the Defendant's prior criminal convictions. Under Texas law, as a "habitual felony offender", the defendant faced the minimum sentence of 25 years with a maximum of life in prison. Assistant District Attorney William C. Dowell prosecuted the case.

2009 Crops in Eastland County

Here are some of the crop acreage totals that have been reported to our office for 2009.

Reported hay crops have stayed close to the same as last year. Our fall planted wheat acreage was up from last year by nearly 2,000 acres. Peanut acreage has gone up 241 acres, and we have gained 108 acres of cotton. Acreages of grain sorghum, corn, soybeans, and watermelons have dropped.

Drive around the county sometime and see how many of these crops you can identify.

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Sorghum Forage Hay	1,593.90
Peanuts	1,325.50
Mixed Forage	1,190.80
Pecans	1,022.50
Other Improved Grass for Hay	539.50
Sorghum Forage Grazing	508.50
Rye	381.20
CRP	317.30
Grain Sorghum	238.70
Barley	186.10
Triticale	179.10
Watermelon	141.20
Cotton	108.00
Peaches	47.20
Nursery Crops	27.20
Vetch	18.60
Squash	14.00
Cantaloupes	13.80
Millet	12.70
Israel Melons	7.00

CARBON GETS FREE

HIGH-SPEED INTERNET ACCESS

Eastland County, through a TIFF grant, has obtained a computer and high speed internet access for the citizens of Carbon and surrounding area. The computer is located in the Carbon City Office.

For those of you have been wanting to join the Carbon High School website and do not have a computer at your home, this is a great opportunity for you to join in the fun. Sylvia Gosnell, Carbon City Secretary and Carbon High graduate, will be there to assist you with the process. The office hours are:

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 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 Noon
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AG VIEW POINT By: Heath Begeman

Pesticide Collection Day

There will be a pesticide collection day September 30, 2009 at the Johnson County Sheriff Posse Fairgrounds in Cleburne. Johnson County is the closest pesticide collection site put on by Texas Commission on Environmental Quality this year. The purpose of this collection day is to help people dispose of herbicides, pesticides and other materials properly. I would advise all people to go through your storage sheds and barns to find all containers with little amounts left. If you have one of these containers, triple rinse it and bring it on the 30th. This collection day is not just for farmers, it is open to all citizens in the area including Eastland County. Here is a list of items they will accept on that day.

Accept:

Pesticides, herbicides, fungicides, rodenticides, nematocides bactericides, growth regulators, harvest aid chemicals, properly rinsed containers, oil/oil filters/grease, etc.....

Not Accepting:

Tires, radio active material, explosive material, filters or nutrient materials that are neither hazardous nor contain pesticide admixtures, propane/butane gas cylinders larger than 20 gallons, biomedical wastes, ammunition

For a complete list or more information on other days or sites, call the Eastland Extension Office at 254/629-2222 or call the Johnson County Extension Office at 817/556-6370.

Diabetes Cooking Classes

Texas AgriLife Extension Service is proud to be offering diabetes cooking classes entitled "Cooking Well with Diabetes". The first diabetes cooking class was held Tuesday, August 4th at the Eastland County Courthouse Conference Room. A total of 13 people participated in the diabetes cooking class. The first cooking lesson covered information on helping help you to recognize food sources of carbohydrate, identify the special cooking properties of sugars and sugar substitutes and be able to reduce, eliminate or substitute ingredients in recipes to reduce the sugar content. The second cooking class was held on Tuesday, August 11th starting at 5:30 p.m. at the Eastland County Courthouse Conference Room with 14 people participating. Lesson two involved reducing the fat in recipes. Participants learned to identify the sources and types of fat, reduce the cholesterol content of main dishes by eliminating or substituting ingredients when cooking and use low fat recipes and cooking methods.

The next "Cooking Well with Diabetes" cooking class will be Tuesday, August 25th beginning at 5:30 p.m. at the Eastland County Courthouse Conference Room. This class will cover information about reducing sodium and increasing fiber while preparing side dishes. You will learn how to prepare healthy starch and non-starchy vegetable side dishes, how to use more spices and herbs and increase the fiber content of meals through wise selection of vegetables, whole grain breads, cereals, pastas, rice and fruits. In addition, you will learn how to identify sources and amounts of sodium and fiber by reading the food label on products.

The last class will be Tuesday, September 1st and this lesson will teach you how to plan meals that include foods from each of the food groups. Modification of some favorite recipes to reduce fat, sugar and sodium or increase fiber will be included in the class. You will learn how to develop strategies for planning special occasion meals and coping with temptations.

Participants will receive a booklet with resources and recipes. Two to three recipes will be sampled at each session. For more information on cooking with diabetes or on the "Cooking Well with Diabetes" series, contact Halee Mitchell, Eastland County Extension Agent at 254/629-2222.

Lone Star Lanes - Stephenville 254-968-0440

Hey everyone it's me again Chip, just a note when are Fall Leagues will begin.

Monday - 6:45pm the 14th of September we will start the youth adult league 1 kid 1 adult

Tuesday - 1:45pm on the 8th of September Club 55 This is a mature adult league where you need to be at or above the age of 50 it is a lot of fun.

Tuesday - 6:45pm on the 8th of September the ever popular Tuesday Night Classic 4 person team you need a sponsor fee of \$100.00 and you will bowl for a glass trophy which your sponsor will get to display for one year. Jacks Chemical has it displayed this year go by and see it.

Tuesday - 6:45pm on the 8th of September, if you like fun, fast pace, card playing and bowling all at the same time grab a friend and join this doubles league. Don't have some one to bowl with don't worry I don't either just come and have a great time.

Wednesday - 6:45pm on the 9th of Wednesday night Trio will start. This is a 3 person league that you will love lots of fun competitive bowlers in this one.

Wednesday - 9:00 pm on the 15th of September B.Y.O.B. league it is what it is bowling and beer.

Thursday - 6:45pm on the 10th of September the most popular Bosque River Mixed 2 men 2 woman league the most fun league you will ever bowl in.

Saturday - 10:45 am Youth and bumper bowling. Transformers are here get your Transformer ball or pin in this league built for ages 4 to 21 its just kid fun.

Well that is all of our leagues this fall there is a little something for every one. One more thing we will start delivering food this September until 9 pm. If you have any questions please call 254-968-0440.

Notes From Dr. Dan

A carpet layer had just finished carpeting a large room when he saw a bump in the middle of the carpet. He felt in his pocket for his cigarettes and found them missing. Instead of tearing up the whole carpet, he just tapped the bump down with his hammer and went out to his truck... where he saw his cigarettes sitting on the seat of his truck. About that time the owner of the house came around asking everyone if they had seen her canary.... oops

DON'T SMOKE!! Especially don't smoke canaries.

If you do smoke already you probably know smoking is one of the hardest addictions to quit. Some patients I had when I was in training have told me that quitting smoking was harder than quitting drugs like heroin and cocaine. I can believe it. I smoked when I first joined the military. It was hard to quit but being tobacco free is worth it. IF YOU DON'T SMOKE NOW, DON'T START. Save that money and in a year or 2 use it to buy a car instead.

The hardest part of quitting smoking is that it is mixed into every part of your life. You have a cigarette with your coffee, or while driving, or while talking on the phone, or with any number of things you do every day. You have a cigarette after eating and the good feeling you get from your meal is now associated with the cigarette instead. You feel good talking to friends on the phone and the cigarette again gets the credit. So now when you try to stop smoking, your body and brain tell you that you will not have those good feelings again without a cigarette and that makes quitting smoking, very hard. This is what I call "smoking and".

To alleviate the problem of quitting "smoking and" which is nearly impossible, we need to change "smoking and" to "just smoking." When you smoke, "just smoke". Smoke outside, not in the car or in the house. Do nothing but smoke. Do not talk on the phone or drink coffee or water. Do not speak to anyone while smoking. Excuse yourself, finish your cigarette and then resume what you were doing. Smoke as many cigarettes as you feel the need to smoke. The more you "just smoke", the easier it will be to quit when you are ready. This will break the association between smoking and everything else and is the first step in quitting. If you cheat at "just smoking" you are just wasting your time because a little "smoking and" is as powerful as a lot of "smoking and". If you are going to cheat at "just smoking", you might as well forget about it helping you quit smoking.

There are patches advertised to help quit smoking, but if you smoke with the patches on, you could have a stroke or heart attack! This happened to a cardiac surgeon I worked with when I practiced in Corpus Christi, TX. The patches have nicotine. The cigarettes have nicotine. Nicotine makes blood vessels smaller so less blood can flow. If this happens in the heart it becomes a heart attack, in the brain it becomes a stroke. Be careful.

There are other things to help quit smoking and you can ask your doctor about these. The cheapest and most effective method I have found so far is "just smoking". If you have suggestions, I would be glad to hear them.

This article is not intended to be a substitute for medical care and consultation.

Desdemona News

By Vonnie Guthery

"Desdemona Monthly Musical" will be held on Saturday, August 22nd at the Community Center (former school building). Concession stand opens at 5:30 p.m. Serving sandwiches, homemade pie and drinks. Come early to enjoy supper with all the group before the music program begins at 6:00 PM. All area musicians, singers and visitors are invited to attend. There will be plenty of Country and Western with some Bluegrass and Gospel included. This is a "SMOKE FREE" environment and the admission is "FREE".

Please contact this reporter with your weekly news. Your help will be appreciated.

Thanks and have a great day, Vonnie.

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

OPEN HOUSE! That's right, we are having a school wide open house this Thursday on the 20th of August from 6:00pm to 7:00pm and you are all invited. You do not have to have any children in school to attend or even live in Gorman. I know a lot of you want to see the new high school and gymnasium that live in the surrounding area as well as those of you that live here and have not been able to stop by. We are looking forward to showing it off. It is a wonderful addition to Gorman!

All the teachers have a week under their belt now and their rooms are seriously close to being ready for the students. Our volleyball teams have already had their first scrimmage in the new gym and competed in a tournament. They are looking good. Coach Busby and crew have room for improvement, but we have a young team working very hard to improve and I am looking forward to another great volleyball season.

We had our first football scrimmage against Cross Plains Saturday morning. I was encouraged by the effort I saw being put forth on the field. We have many young players that will be a key to our success this year as well as experienced players in new roles of new leadership. Both have to get used to their new responsibilities. We have a great opportunity this year!

Please come out and support all of our athletes this year. They work extremely hard and they deserve your patronage. Our kids, athletes and non-athletes alike, are the best kids around. They are well behaved and make us proud everywhere we go. Remember, they represent you!

Pam Childers has been very ill this past week and in the hospital in Brownwood. I want to report to everyone that she is doing much better. She was sitting up and able to eat a meal Sunday. I am told she was even complaining that she needed to get out of the hospital and back to work. One thing about school, the work will still be there when she gets back. She is very important to our school and I want to thank everyone for their prayers and concern. She'll be back soon enough and you can all fill her office with flowers.

The new high school has lockers for 200 students and because of the changes we have made in our other campuses we have plenty of room now for additional students at all campuses. So, if you think you might be interested in moving to Gorman or transferring your children here, Thursday night's open house would be a great time for you to check us out. In my opinion, you won't find a better school anywhere!

Everyone is excited and anxious to get started. I know I will be glad to see the teachers and the students back. It is very quiet around here most of the time during the summer.

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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