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Gorman Cheerleaders Attend Camp at Tarleton



The Gorman varsity cheerleaders attended camp at Tarleton State University beginning on June 22 through June 25. The camp is affiliated with the National Cheerleaders Association. The girls learned many new cheers, chants and dances to be used this coming year. Each day of camp the NCA cheerleaders hold evaluations of each team, the Gorman team won only Superior (blue) ribbons for each of their evaluations.' They also won an award for sharpest motions, and received the spirit sick award. Each member of the squad was also nominated for All American Cheerleader. Selected by the NCA staff, nominations are given to individuals who display superior cheerleading techniques in the following areas: jumps, dance, leadership, motions, tumbling or stunts.

Chelsea Griffin and Amy Regian were nominated for superior jumps, Cortney Shirley was nominated for tumbling and the stunt group consisting of Ally Little, Kimi Seaton, Jaime Johnston, Carlie Jackson and Brittany Henderson were nominated for successfully mastering a Liberty stunt, which is a one legged stunt, with a full twist down to landing. This is a very difficult stunt and the all the girls worked extremely hard to gain this accomplishment. On the last night of camp, the girls nominated for All American have the opportunity to try out for All American Cheerleader.

Of the six girls who tried out three were named to the All American team, they were Cortney Shirley, Jaime Johnston and Ally Little. To become All American you must try out individually and all girls are judged based on jumps, tumbling/spirited entrance, and a perfected Camp Cheer. The girls chosen as All American qualify to attend an NCA Special Event. Overall the girls had a very successful, yet extremely tiring week at camp as each day begins at 7:30 a.m. and ends around 9:00 p.m. We hope to see all the Gorman Panther fans out to watch the games this school year and to cheer along with your cheerleaders as they strive to keep the spirit high!!

SANDRA CAGLE WILL BE IN GORMAN AT THE CITY OF-FICE TO RENEW AUTO LICENSE PLATES. HER NEXT VISIT IS WEDNESDAY, JULY 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 or the Care of the Cemetery. Donations can be sent to Dakland 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.

Gospel Lovers

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The Fun July 18th

sic Lovers everyone is welcome

to come join the fun at a South-

ern Gospel Music Concert in

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Texas and Dennis Rehders

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same night in Eastland Texas

other singers to be singing The

Gibbs and Shelia Malcom.

Don't miss the Southern Gospel

Music Celebration on Saturday-

night July 18, 2009. Starts at

6:00 p.m. the admission is Free. It will be at the Apostolic World

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Street. For a good seat come

early. A love offering will be

taken for these group and they will have their cds available

that night. The will be a con-

cession stand will be open and door prizes to be given away.

Attention Gospel Mu-

phenville campus.

Nikki Keith of Gorman, graduated from Tarleton State University with a Bach-Sport Studies from the university's Stephenville campus.

Gorman, graduated from Tarleton State University with a Bachelor's degree in Exercise and Sport Studies from the uni-

by Prentice Hall.

Free GHS Sports Physicals Planned July 28-29-30

Dr. Dan will be offering free Sports Physicals for the GHS Boys on July 28th, Girls on July 29th - and all others that can't make the first two days will be taking on July 30th. Make Plans to be there to get your physicals done.

Tarleton Releases Spring 2009 **Graduation Lists**

STEPHENVILLE, TX (07/07/2009)(readMedia)-- Tarleton State University's spring commencement was held May 9, 200. Graduation lists were finalized by the registrar's office on June 30. The following candidates have satisfactorily met the university's requirements for their individual degree programs and have been awarded their diplomas. Honor designations for undergraduate degrees are: Summa Cum Laude (Highest Honors), Magna Cum Laude (High Honors) and Cum Laude (Honors).

Students are listed by their requested hometown designation, which they provided at the graduation ceremonies.

Amanda Carroll of Gorman, graduated from Tarleton State University with a Bachelor's degree in Management from the university's Ste-

versity's Stephenville campus.

Founded in 1899, Tarleton is one of the fastest growing institutions of higher learning in Texas. Just one hour, Tarleton serves as the educational and cultural flagship of the Cross Timbers Region. It is located in Stephenville, which Is included in Norman Crampton's "The 100 Best Small. Towns in America" published

Look Who's New It's a Girl - It's A Boy!!



Two Little Miracles Instead Of One ... Two Little Lives Have Just Begun.

Todd and Jennifer Wright are proud to announce the birth of their twins born on May 21, 2009. Claire Charlotte-Louise was born at 7:43 p.m. She weighed 4 pounds and 1 ounce and was 16.93 inches long. Andrew Tye was born at 7:54 p.m. Weighing in at 5 pounds and 13.5 ounces and was 18 3/4 inches long.

Maternal grandparents are Manuel and Debbie Torrez of Gorman. Paternal grandparents are Charlie and Jane Wright of Estes Park, Colorado. Great grandparents are Marvin and Louise Rich of Gorman, Carmen Torrez of Ranger and Charlotte Wright of Estes Park, Colorado.

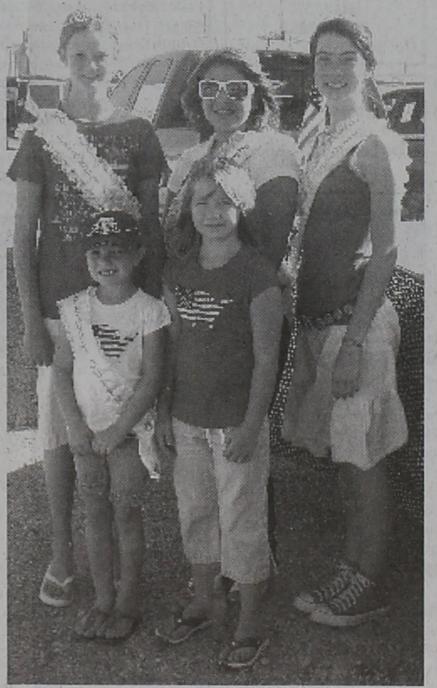
Thank You To Everyone!!

I Would like to say "Thank You" to everyone who supelor's degree in Exercise and ported me throughout the Miss Gorman Contest. Many of you bought the bake sale snacks, the yard sale items, chances and last but not least donated money, items for the yard sale, and flour tor-Kendra Swanner of tillas for the breakfast burritos. I would also like to thank the businesses for letting me put my cans in their plans of business. Also thanks again to the Lion's Club for their support thru the contest. I will be proud to represent Gorman during the coming year.

Mallory May

Several Area Citizens have wanted to know what the FCC Number is to complain about the changes made to the TV reception using antennas. The citizens want everyone to call and ask why they made this change to deny some people from receiving the TV stations by antenna. The number is 1-888-225-5322 - FCC Office.

De Leon Soccer League Meeting set for Sunday, July 12th at 3 p.m. At Freddie's Short Stop and We will elect Officers. Anyone welcome to attend. For information please contact 254-893-1673.



The Peanuts Queens participated in the Cisco 4th of July Parade last Saturday. (Top) Pre-teen Queen Kourtney Seaton, Peanut Queen Erica Limon, Jr. Miss Queen Rachel Tucker, (Bottom) Petite Queen Jordan Hampton, and Little Miss Queen Morgan Wright. The girls did a great job representing Gorman.

Couple Celebrates 50 Years Of Marriage



Pictured left to right is the family of Virginia and Jerry Skaggs: Randy Ellis, Sharon Ellis, Molly Ellis, Connor Ellis, Virginia Skaggs and Jerry Skaggs, Jacob Bodkin, Susan Eden, Jordan Bodkin, and Trace Eden

Jerry and Virginia Skaggs residents of Gorman, Texas celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary.

In celebration of their anniversary, they spent a weekend in the Hill Country with their two

daughters and their families.

Jerry and Virginia were married May 23, 1959, in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. They lived in Hereford, Texas from 1964 to 2002, when they moved to Gorman. They owned and operated Shur-Gro Liquid Feed in Hereford for many years and still own The Pump House in Hereford.

They now run an antique store in Gorman, and spend most of their time at the store and doing Church activities.

Their daughters are Sharon Ellis and Susan Eden. They have four grandchildren, Jacob Bodkin, Jordan Bodkin, Connor Ellis, and Molly Ellis.

Cards of congratulations can be sont to box 220 Gorman, Texas 76454.

Firstfruits Christian Fellowship announces "STUDIO GO" VBS, July 13-17 from 6-9 pm. THIS

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Thank You

Glen and Kathy Scitern would like to thank all of their family, friends, and neighbors for helping put out the fire caused by lightening in our pasture last week.

A very special thank you goes to the Gorman Fire Department and the Carbon Fire Department. There isn't enough that can be said about the great work that they do. They are always the first departments to arrive on any scene and the last to leave.

Thanks again to everyone.

Obituaries

Jessie Lee Richardson

Jessie Lee Richardson, age 75 of De Leon passed away on Saturday, July 4, 2009 at the Comanche County Medical Center. Services were held Tuesday, July 7th at 10 a.m. At De Leon a certificate for 20 years of First Baptist Church with Bro. Bud Jones officiating and music by James and Tina Edwards. Burial was in De Leon Cemetery. State Executive Director for Pallbearers were her grandsons.

She was born November 28, 1933 in Hasse, Texas to John and Mary Kincheloe Wright. She married J. D. Richardson only served the farmers and on March 10, 1952 in Stephenville.

She had lied in De Leon since 1968. Prior to retirement, she was a Nurses Aid for many years. Jessie was a Baptist, and was a member of the Northside Baptist Church in De Leon.

She is survived by her husband, J. D. Richardson of De Leon; 3 sons: Don Richardson and wife, Darla, of Abilene, Michael Richardson and wife, Millie of De Leon and Eugene Richardson of De Leon; I daughter, Patti Johnson and husband, Johnny of De Leon; 1 brother, Jimmy Wright and wife, Barbara of Wiley; 2 sisters: Jackie Osburn and husband, Pudd of Big Springs and Shirlie Hodges of Possum Kingdom; 7 grandchildren, Brenda Allen and husband Tim of De Leon, Michael Richardsong and wife, Karen of De Leon, Christie Owen and husband Richard of De Leon, Cayee Richardson and wife Tonya of De Leon, Bradley Johnston and wife Kendra of Abilene, Jarret Richardson and wife Alyson of College Station and Kolby Richardson of Abilene; 11 great grandchildren, Jaycee Cronk, Timothy Allen, Jr., Sharon Richardson, Lillie Johnson, Charlie Richardson, Jacoby Mathis, Alyson Owen, Lena Dove, Maycee Richardson, Dylan Dove and Jada Dove.

She was preceded by her parents, John and Mary Kincheloe Wright; 2 brothers, Jack Wright and Johnny Wright; 5 sisters, Mack Plummer, Pat Carlisle, Alene Dewvall, Joyce Weems and Dolores Stellman.

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Sharon Curtis Receives Certificate

Sharon Curtis, Program Technician for Eastland County Farm Service Agency, recently received service from Juan Garcia, Texas FSA.

Sharon has not ranchers of Eastland County during her twenty years, but she has also served as an officer in both the state and national employees associations. Also, on several occa-

sions, the national office in Washington D.C. has requested that Sharon serve on various projects on the national level, from testing software to advising top USDA officials regarding farm programs.

Sharon is an asset, as are all of our employees, not only to Eastland County, but to the USDA as a whole.

ATTENTION LADY GOLFERS!

The Eastland Lakeside Golf Course Ladies Association will be hosting their 9th Annual 18 Hole 2 Lady Golf Scramble on Saturday, July 18th, 2009. Tee off time is 1:00 p.m.

The cost is \$65.00 per person which includes cart, refreshments, mulligans and a meal following play.

Generous cash prizes will be awarded in each flight and there will be goody bags and door prizes for everyone, Prize Holes, and a raffle for a golf bag! This is one tournament you don't want to miss!

Call the Clubhouse at 254-629-2892 to sign up, receive directions or for more information. Course is located at 209 CR 157, Eastland 76448

10th - 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Saturday, July 11th - 8 a.m. to Noon. 1-7-9 P.

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81 A, Pecan Orchard, 900± improved variety, underground irrig, wells [REM01] \$405,000 45 A, 7 irrig.wells & pit, buried mainline w/risers, minerals available [NF01] \$2,500/acre SOLD 30 A, 3-21/2 Custom Home, garage, porch, shop, barn [DB01] \$450,000

21±A, Sprigged with World Feeder Costal Bermuda grass, water well [MS04] \$92,500 REDUCED 20 A, home site, rural water avail, possible owner finance [WM01] \$75,000 \$60,000 19±A, rolling terrain, Live Oaks, hunting, near Proctor Lk, will divide [LR03] \$2,750/acre SOLD 15.7 A, Hwy.16 frontage, costal, 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 5 A, 3-1 Frame Home, near Proctor Lk., barn, rural water (LC01) \$92,500 \$89,500 5 A, 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 2-11/2 Frame Home, attached garage, storage building [ST01] \$75,000 \$69,000 REDUCED 2-1 Frame Home, 2.3 A, screened porch, water well, [GB02] \$55,000 \$45,000 Fully-equipped Restaurant, large one acre lot on Hwy.6 in De Leon [RL01] \$85,000 Commercial Bldg, on Hwy.36, 6,480 sf, 3 separate units & entrances, CH&A [RC01] \$82,500

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NEW: S/E Gorman: 45 A, sandy land, few Pecan trees, 7 water wells, irrigation reser-

voir, close to pavement. \$2,500 Acre. NEW: S/E Gorman: 60 A, good sandy soil, some coastal, good fences, elec., nice pond

38 A M/L south Gorman: Fronts FM 679, about 10 A. large Pecan Trees, nice location for pond, good fences, sandy land. \$2,200 Acre - Seller Financing

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 &other wildlife \$250,000.00 100 A west De Leon FM587, 3 - 1 1/2 - 2 brick, 1444 sq. ft., C/HA, fireplace, car peted, 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.

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IT'S FLIP FLOP TIME AGAIN

Okay, you asked for it, so back by popular demand the Gorman High School cheerleaders will be selling Gorman Panther flip flops. The cheerleaders will begin selling immediately and will sell until June 30. Please see Becky Swanner or a Gorman cheerleader during the next two weeks if you want to get a pair of flip flops. This year the flip flops will be red with royal writing, so even if you have a blue pair you might like to get a new red pair!! Price is \$15.00 each and sizes range from kids size 11 to men's size 13. Cheerleaders are Brittany Henderson, Kimi Seaton, Jaime Johnston, Amy Regian, Carlie Jackson, Cortney Shirley, Chelsea Griffin, and Ally Little, or call Becky Swanner at 734-2480.





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Lunch is at noon but the doors will open at 9 a.m. for those wanting to drop off their covered dishes and/or items for the silent auction.

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6 pm to 9 pm
Ages: 4 to 12
Children will be put into action to
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You know it's going to be GOOD!
For more info, please call 254-734-3203.

2 More Men receive 15 Year Sentences for Arson

Thomas Michael Lawrence and Brian Daniel Freeman were each sentenced to a term of 15 years behind bars for four counts of Arson after State District Judge Steven R. Herod accepted their pleas of guilty in the 91st District Courtroom recently.

On Sunday, March 22, 2009, several fire departments and the Eastland County Sheriff's Office responded to reports of a person(s) starting fires in Eastland County. Although no structures or residences were destroyed in the fires, three persons were arrested that date by the Eastland County Sheriff's Office. The Cisco Police Department and investigators from the National Forest Service assisted in the investigation.

Each man would have faced a maximum of twenty years confinement at trial had they elected to go to a jury for the arson charges.

Lawrence was sentenced on July 1, 2009 after entering a plea of guilty to each count. Lawrence had no prior felony history and was probation eligible but the Criminal District Attorney's Office did not make an offer of probation.

Freeman was sentenced on June 18, 2009 after entering a plea of guilty to each count. Freeman had previously served time on an Eastland County sentence of Burglary of a Building, having been released from prison on that charge in early 2008.

One Person Remains In Custody Awaiting Trial.

Criminal District Attorney Russ Thomason stated "Each year in the United States, millions of dollars worth of property and lives are lost as a result of fires set by arsonists. When you add in direct costs- fire fighting expenses, lost jobs, lost property tax revenue, higher insurance premiums and money spent to investigate and prosecute arsonists – the total cost is even higher. Regardless of the motive behind arson, be it revenge, peer-pressured vandalism or plain boredom, it is a violent crime against persons and property - those who commit it, will be dealt with harshly."

According to Eastland County Sheriff Wayne Bradford, national statistics indicate that less than 20% of arson crimes are solved and result in the arrest of the person(s) who committed the crime. "I am proud to state that our Eastland County stats are much higher. Arson prevention and investigations have become a focus of increased attention in my office due to area conditions and the bad acts of a few individuals. An arsonist better think twice before lighting up in this county,"

National Fire Protection Association figures (2005) estimate that the 323,900 intentional fires in their databanks resulted in 490 civilian fire deaths, 3 firefighter on duty deaths, 1,500 civilian fire injuries, 7,600 firefighter on duty injuries and caused over \$1.1 billion in direct property damage. The insurance Information Institute reports that arsonists destroyed nearly \$900 million in insured property, and killed 295 civilians in 2007.

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Pig Tales From Hogtown

We had a truly wonderful crowd for breakfast last Saturday morning! Many people had come to the area to visit for the Fourth of July and joined us. Thank you to all who came!

Are you all ready to dance? This Friday, July 10, is our regular, monthly dance night. Music starts at 7:00 P.M. The concession stand opens at 6:00. Join us for some great music. Cost of admission is \$5.00 per person.

Mark July 18th on you calendars – we will be having an old-fashioned ice cream social here at the DAC. There will be no charge for this evening – we want to thank everyone who supports our efforts here at the DAC. As you probably know we are working very hard to get this beautiful building paid for so that we can have more 'free' events. So, 'thank you' all for being so generous when you attend an event here!!

Come and join us in beautiful downtown Desdemona!

Carol Pell

AG VIEW POINT

By: Heath Begeman

CATTLE TUBERCULOSIS CONFIRMED IN TEXAS

Cattle tuberculosis (TB) has been confirmed in west Texas dairy that has been quarantined since April when some cattle in the herd responded to a TB test being conducted prior to a sale. (The sale was cancelled.) The cattle TB diagnosis was confirmed at the National Veterinary Services Laboratory (NVSL) in Ames, Iowa, where M.bovis or cattle TB bacteria, was grown or "cultured" from tissues that had been collected during the necropsy of the test-positive cattle.

"The infected herd remains quarantined while the final disposition of the herd is determined-either slaughtering the herd, or repeatedly testing and removing infect animals until the herd is free of cattle TB," said Dr. Bob Hillman, Texas' state veterinarian and head of the Texas Animal Health Commission (TAHC), the state's livestock and poultry health regulatory agency. "Dairy, calf-raising and dairy animal replacement operations with epidemiological links to the infected herd are being tested to determine both the origin and potential spread of the disease."

"I encourage ranchers or accredited veterinarians to call the state of destination prior to shipping bison, beef or dairy cattle out of Texas," said Dr. Hillman. "Some states may impose enhanced TB entry requirements on Texas cattle and bison. Keep in mind, too, that may states like Texas, have implemented cattle trichomoniasis testing requirements, so call before you haul."

"Cattle TB is a serious, transmissible disease that can spread among herds," said Dr. Hillman. "In the early 1900s, when the national cattle TB eradication program was initiated, more than five percent of the country's herds were infected with the disease. At that time, cattle TB posed a significant human health threat, because consumers could become infected when they drank raw, unpasteurized milk that had not been through heat-treatment to kill bacteria. Today, commercially produced milk is pasteurized. While bovine TB is still a human health threat, other forms of tuberculosis, such as the human and avian strains, now pose the greatest risk of TB exposure to persons."

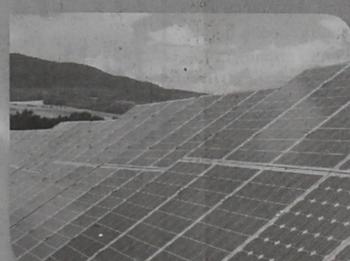
The press release was sent to me from the TAHC. For more information on Cattle TB, call your veterinarian or the Extension Office at 254(112) 4 093

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Desdemona News

By Vonnie Guthery

"Ladies Monthly Social" will be held on Monday morning, July 13th at the Community Center (former School Building). Make plans to arrive at 9 a.m. To enjoy the good food and fellowship. Visitors are welcome. TELEVISION OF

Ryan White and friend of Fort Worth spent July 4th holidays in Desdemona with his parents, Tim and Laura White. Ryan presented special music on Sunday morning at the First Baptist

Travis and Melissa Walston and son, Garrett of Fort Worth visited July 4th with his parents, Gary and Jody Walston and grandson, Trevor.

Holly Guthery and daughter, Karsan Jade hosted a "Hamburger Cookout" on July 4th afternoon. Those attending were Pug and Vonnie Guthery, Gary and Jody Walston and grandson, Trevor. Fireworks at dusty dark was enjoyed by Trevor and Karsen.

Visitors with "Humpy" and Betty Duke during the holidays were Rodney Duke of Pantego; Ronda James and daughter, Emily of Whitney.

Karen Fair, Belinda Guthery, Lorin and Kaley drove to Grand Rapids, Michigan to spend the July 4th holidays. The trip began in Burnet, Texas where they met with a very large group of the VFW Motorcycle Club. This group of guys on their motorcycles escorted Karen and her group to Michigan. The occasion was to attend a "Memorial Service" for Karen's husband, the late John Fair. Karen and her group rode on a float in the July 4th parade in Michigan. The float was decorated in memory of John Fair. John was very active in VFW and he served as their State Commander then later served as their National Commander. The memorial service was attended by a very large group of VFW guys and friends of John Fair. After John passed away, a friend bought John's big white Harley Davidson Motorcycle (trimmed in gold) and this guy had John's picture painted on it. Under the photo reads "In Loving Memory" of John Fair, who "Rides In Spirit" and it gives the date he passed away. All of this trip and memorial service was very impressive to Karen and her group. On their way home they visited "Elvis Presley's Graceland" in Tennessee and they toured many other memorials. They reported a wonderful trip but was glad to be back "Home in Texas".

Have a Great Day, "Coon".

2009 Crop Year Uniform Grain and **Rice Storage Agreement Policy**

With the publication of the Marketing Assistance Loan (MAL) and Loan Deficiency Payments (LDPs) final rule on April 6, 2009, the regulation governing the MAL and LDP program was amended to incorporate a new policy for commercial storage. Beginning with the 2009 crop year, CCC will no longer require warehouse operators storing grain, rice, oilseeds and pulse crops to execute a Uniform Grain and Rice Storage Agreement (UGRSA) as long as the warehouse where the commodity is stored complies with State warehousing laws or is federally licensed.

Commodities covered by a UGRSA are wheat, barley, oats, corn, grain sorghum, soybeans, long and medium grain rice, sunflower seed, rapeseed, canola, safflower, flaxseed, mustard seed, crambe, sesame seed, dry peas, lentils, and small and large chickpeas.

Commodities not covered by a UGRSA include peanuts, cotton, and sugar. CCC has separate storage agreements for these commodities. CCC reserves the right to execute a UGRSA if deemed necessary to protect CCC's interests. Storage deductions will no longer be applied at loan

The following States have an operating warehouse licensing program and warehouse operators will not be required to execute a UGRSA for MAL loan-making purposes, if in compliance with State laws:

Alabama

Illinois

- Arkansas
- Indiana · Michigan
- Louisiana
- Nebraska Montana South Carolina
 South Dakota
- Wisconsin
- Wyoming
- Iowa Minnesota

Colorado

- Kansas
- Mississippi North Dakota
- Ohio • Tennessee
 - Texas

· Georgia

- Oklahoma Washington

Idaho

Kentucky

Missouri

For MAL loan making purposes, non federally-licensed warehouse operators in States without an operating warehouse licensing program who are interested in providing storage services for commodities with CCC's interest will be required to execute a UGRSA with CCC.

Additional information about Uniform Grain and Rice Storage Agreements is available at USDA Service Centers or: http://www.fsa.usda.gov/Internet/FSA_Notice/lp_2123.pdf

News

Certification Deadline Extended

To stay in compliance with FSA programs, all cropland acreage on your farm must be reported annually. This includes any grass, pasture, hay meadows, and CRP fields that have not already been certified. It also includes any crops such as peanuts, haygrazer, fruits, and vegetables. For 2009 only, the certification deadline has been extended to August 14, 2009.

DCP & ACRE Signup Deadline

Signup for the 2009 Direct and Counter-Cyclical Payment (DCP) Program has been extended until August 14, 2009. FSA will not accept any late-filed applications. Signup in the ACRE option is also available through August 14, 2009.

Deadline to Buy Small Grain (for grazing) Insurance

September 1 is the deadline to purchase NAP (Non-insured Assistance Program) coverage for small grains for grazing including wheat, rye, oats, barley, and triticale. NAP is the only insurance available for small grain grazing crops. If you are interested, please make an appointment to buy NAP now for 2010.

County Committee Elections

Nominations for candidates to run for the Farm Service Agency county committee election representing producers in Local Administrative Area 1 will be accepted now through August 3, 2009.

All farmers, ranchers, and other producers are encouraged to participate.

Nomination forms are available at the Eastland County office or online.

State Executive Director Named

The U.S. Secretary of Agriculture, Tom Vilsack, recently named Juan Garcia as the State Executive Director for Texas FSA.

Mr. Garcia has worked for Texas farmers and ranchers through the USDA for 32 years. He has most recently served as the Agricultural Program Manager and Assistant State Executive Director. He has been the acting State Executive Director since January.

Mr. Garcia was raised on a cotton, grain sorghum and cattle operation in Willacy County. He holds a bachelor's degree in animal science from Texas A&I University.

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Senior Citizens News

By Carol Ward

We enjoyed our weekly dinner on July 1st with 28 present. It was good to have the Maxfields back with us. Judd was nice to offer our blessing with his kind words. Also great to have Ima Brown, Ruthie Porter, the Bush's and Geraldene Wright back to be with us. We have missed visiting with Ray and Goldie Warren, Wynogene Smith and daughter Barbara. Hope they return soon. Where were you Betty Fraizer? Missed our hug, but did get one from Geraldene. Winston Brown has not been here due to gout in his foot. I had that a few years back and don't ever believe I hurt so terribly.

Our lunch was interesting with Chicken Salad sandwiches, salmon patties, fish sticks, and ham. We also enjoyed Italian Zuccini squash, pasta salad, Cole slaw, green salad and beans. There were several delicious cakes, fruit salad, Jello with fruit and lemon pie. Betty Regian made some delicious whole wheat rolls for a different treat and our usual cornbread made at the center.

The nurses from Medway Home Health were with us to take our BP and BS. They always come the 1st Wednesday of the month, sure do appreciate their services. We enjoyed meeting Judy and Carolyn, don't remember seeing them before.

James Bruton, our banker was here to eat with us. Always enjoy seeing and visiting with him. But James, come a little earlier next time, so you don't have to scrape the bowls. HA!! We did have more food this week, so that was better than the week before.

Daisy Slaton came with her daughter, Bennie Gail. I'm glad Bennie could be with us and seemed to enjoy our meal. Her friend Helen and Larry Collins from Stephenville were here to eat and visit. Bennie and Helen had gone to College at Tarleton together. Bennie Gail has been a kindergarten teacher for many years in Auburn, AL.

When I arrived at the Library a week ago there was Bill Miears there working couldn't imagine what he was doing. Well people any of you can drive up to library with a laptop and use the service. It is called Public Access Wireless Internet. You can just sit in your car and work your computer. Also the people who live in Hotel can use this service from their home. How wonderful this Hi-Tech world! We had a good table of Gorman people at the Desdemona Breakfast. Daisy with her

daughters, Bennie and Sunny; Betty Regian and Ann Laminack and her sister, Betty. They were then going to Lake Coleman for Fireworks. Betty and I then visited with Virgil and Jo Holdman in Desdemona. He is looking good and feeling great. They hope to sell and move somewhere in the Metroplex. He will be closer to his Drs. and Hospitals. Also less driving

Hope all is well and see you next time, 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.

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