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## **Beautiful Baby Winners**

Despite the pouring down rain we had a great turn out for the Baby Contest. the Community Center was standing room olly and we had 22 contestants, ages 14 weeks to 3 s. The MC for the contest s Liz Caraway from Valley Mills and our Judges were Lori Womack from De Leon and Mary Riggs from Desdemona.

The Children were judged on stage presence, personality, and apprearance. Each child received a "Special Event" blue ribbon and a trophy. We would like to say "Thank You" for participating in this years contest. The winners are:

#### 0-12 Months Girls

Best Personality - Madison Johnson; Best Eyes - Addison Powell; Best Smile - Kaitlynn Lopez; and Best Attire - Magdalyn Herrera.

#### 0-12 Month Boys

Best Personality - Luise Gonzales; and Best Hair - Landon

#### 1 Year Old Girls

Best Personality - Aubrianna Tobar; Best Eyes - Yahlee Torez; Best Smile - Taylor Rainey; Best Hair - Aubree Stanley; Best Attire - Mackenzie Burns and Best Laugh - Brooke Ilgen-

#### 1 Year Old Boys

Best Laugh - Shane Hamilton 2 Year Old Girls

Best Personality - Kaylen Mc-Donald; Best Hair - Seanna Jones; and Best Attire - Kamryn Wallace

#### 2 Year Old Boys

Best Personality - Derick Hunter; Best Eyes - Brysen Hash; Best Smile - Karston Young; Best Hair - Ethan Torrez and Best Laugh - Reyse Hash

#### 3 Year Old Girls Best Personality - Briley Sher-

1 Year Old Girl - Aubree Stanley

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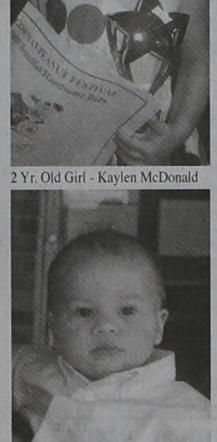




3 Yr. Old Girl - Briley Sherman



0-12 Mo. Old Girl - Kaitlynn Lobo



1 Year Old Boy - Shane Hamilton



2 Year Old Boy - Derick Hunter



Overall Most Photogenic - Luise Gonzales and Addison Powell

#### Panthers Defeat Cougars; Travel To Bosqueville Friday is expected to field a very good team and the Big Red will really

#### GAME AT A GLANCE

GORMA	N CHRIS	CHRISTOVAL	
19	First Downs	8	
44/365	Carries/Yds.	25/54	
50	Yds Passing	24	
3 or 8/1	Pass Cplt./Int 3	of 12/2	
2/0	Fumbles/Lost	1/1	
0/0	Punts/Avg.	5/37	
3/35	Penalties	5/40	
	The Panthers	got off	
	T. J		

to a slow start on Friday night when they hosted Christoval and only managed a 13-6 halftime score. But they snapped out of it and scored 20 points in the final half while holding the Cougars scoreless for a 33-6 victory.

Gorman's first score came with 4:10 left in the initial quarter whey they took the ball on the 39 and scored in 5 plays with Ben Burgess hitting A. J. Vaughn on a beautiful 40 yard pass for the TD. The kick for points failed and Gornian was up 6-0. The drive featured 2 runs of 1 and 1 by Little and a nice 18 yard run by Ramirez.

Then after recovering a fumble punt try on the Gorman 10 the Cougars scored in 4 plays with Chipman getting the final yard on a run with 10:45 left in the second period. The kick for point failed and the score was knotted at 6-6.

After the Big Red defense held the Cougars on the Gorman 35 the Panthers scored in 7 plays with Tyler Johnson getting the final 3 yards on a run with 5:13 left in the half. B. J. Ramirez booted the extra point and Gorman led 13-6. The drive featured a 5 yard run by Johnson, a 2 yarder by Ramirez, a beautiful 20 yard scamper by Ben Burgess and 3 runs of 14, 13, and 7 by Justin Little.

The halftime Homecoming activities were enjoyed by a very nice crowd. The homecoming picts will be in next weeks paper.

The Panthers came back on their second possession following the half and got the ball on their own 29 and in one big blast up the middle. B. J. Ramirez raced through the Coug defense and went 71 yards for the score with 4:25 left in the third. The kick failed and the score rose to 19-6.

Then after Josh Ryan intercepted a Cougar pass the Pantehrs got the ball on their own 38 and scored in 9 plays with Tyler Johnson getting the honors from 11 yards out on a fine run with 9:45 left in 4th. Ramirez booted the point after and Gorman led 26-6. The drive featured runs of 14, 3, 4, and 6 by Little; a 10 yard pass to A. J. Vaughn, a 6 yard by Burgess and a 7 yarder by Johnson.

The Panthers added another score with 8:20 left in the game when the Big Red Defense got an interception by Burgess on the Gorman 49 and scored in 4 plays with Johnson getting the score on a 10 yard scamper. Ramirez kicked the point after and the final score was 33-6. The deive featured runs of 19 by Burgess and 13 by Little.

Gorman was led by Ramirez with 160 yards on 7 carries. Justin Little had 93 on 18 tries. Ben Burgess got 44 on 6 and Tyler Johnson ran for 68 on 13 tries.

The Panthers will travel to Bosqueville Friday night for a 7:30 game. Bosqueville

# Go Get 'Em Big Red

have to put forth another good effort for a victory. So follow the

Panthers to Bosqueville and back them to another victory.

AROUND THE PILEUP - B. J. Ramirez is shown running



IN THE GRASP - Cameron Clark and Jon Fenley get to the runner to stop him in game action Friday night.

#### MISSING CARBON HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS

If you know any of the people on the following list of names and how I might get in touch with them, please contact me, Linda Neeley, phone: 830-598-5613; email: Ineeley47@yahoo or on the school website: www.carbonhighschoolreunion.org. Thank you for your assistance.

Missing Students: Charlotte Adams, Myrtle Anderson, Cory Ashley, Earl Bethany, Donna Blancet, Maudine & Olene Booth, Frank Boykin, Rosey Bridges, Latricia Bryant (Hampton), Martha Bryant, Susie Bryant, Mary Burns, Lela Mae Buzbee, Bobbie Byrd, Ricky Cagle, Tracy Cariker, Brenda Carlton, Karen Carlton and Rhonda

#### **Gorman Band News**

Friday night at the homecoming game, the band played "My Girl" for the Homecoming Queen's court. A big "thank you" is in order for all those who worked in the concession stand; we couldn't do it without you. In addition, Mr. Howard expressed gratitude to all band members for their participation Friday night in the stands and on the field, and special thanks to those band members who stayed and helped clean the stands and the band hall. The band member (-s) for the week were Jaylon Miley and Katey Thackerson. Last week's member of the week was Cecilia Olivares.

> A Soldier Died Today A. Lawrence Vaincourt

He was getting old and paunchy and his hair was falling fast, And he sat around the Coffee Shop, hiding memories of the past Of a war that he had fought in and the deeds that he had done, In the maneuvers with his buddies; they were heroes, every one.

He will not be mourned by many; just his children and his wife, For he lived an ordinary, and quite uneventful life. Held a job and raised a family, quietly going his own way, And the world's a little poorer, for a soldier died today.

When politicians leave this earth, their bodies lie in state, While thousands note their passing and proclaim that they were great. Papers tell their whole life stories, from the time that they were young, But the passing of a soldier goes unnoticed and unsung.

It's so easy to forget them for it was so long ago, When Elbert went to battle, but those of us know; That it's not the politicians, in times of war and strife. That went off to serve their Country and offer up their life.

If we cannot do him honor while he's here to hear the praise, Then at least let's give him homage at the ending of his days. Perhaps just a simple headline in a paper that would say, Our Country is in mourning, for a soldier died today.

#### Thank You

The Family of G. E. Bennett would like to express their sincere thanks and gratitude for the well wishes and sympathy shown to us during our time of grief.

Specials thanks go out to the Homestead Nursing Home and Lighthouse Hospice staff for the wonderful care given to our beloved father and grand father.

#### Gorman Oaklawn Cemetery

Anyone interested in care of Gorman Oaklawn Cemetery may make a donation to: Gorman Oaklawn Cemetery, C/O Mary Waller, 7726 CR 362, Desdemona, Tx 76445 or American State Bank, Gorman, Tx 76454. Your concern is appreciated, very much. Mary Walker - Treasurer

#### Thank You

It is so great to live in and be a part of such a loving and caring community. I thank God for everyone of you. I really appreciate your prayers, encouragement, and support for me and my family during my recent illness.

Each new day is a gift from God. So remember, whether it's a good day or a bad day, it's always a God-Loves-You day.

Thanks again,

## **GHS REUNION**

\*\*\* Please note date correction.\*\*\* Saturday September 26, 2009

Starting at 2:00 pm La Mancha Lake Ranch, Lake Leon www.lamanchalakeresort.com

lamancharanch@aol.com 254.647.3651 We have attempted to contact as many old friends as possible. We would appreciate your help. Please feel free to invite

Dorenda Rogers cell 817.504.1496, home 817.594.5907 Cheryl Burgess cell 817.559.4054, home 817.573.2916 dorendapt@sbcglobal.net b\_burgess@charter.net

We will provide the meat, please bring (1) side dish, or dessert, or chips, etc. Bring your own drinks, lawn chairs, sunscreen, bug spray. Please RSVP as soon as possible.

## Scouting Rally!!!

The Gorman Scouts are starting a new year and are ready to go! Come to the city park on Thursday, Sept. 24th, at 6:30 p.m. Pam Childers to sign up. We are having a free hot dog supper and we will be teaching you how to enjoy Scouting, for the year, free of charge. We are looking for adult volunteer leaders and boys from grades 1st through 5th. Registration is \$15.00, which includes the price of a book.

> Don't pray for God to guide your steps, if your not willing to move your feet!

## anyone you may still be in contact with. For More Info Please Team-KIDS and Mission Friends

Join us at the First Baptist Church for TeamKIDS & Mission Friends. It will start on Wed, September 23rd @ 6:00-7:30 P.M. Ages Pre-K thru 6th grades. Come and be a part of this program that is a fun recreation-base club for kids with high impact bible lessons, scripture memorization and life applications. For more info call the church office @ 734-2420.

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!

## **Pig Tales From Hogtown**

What a blessing this rain has been! I hope it continues from time to time for a while - we sure need it. Did you see the fantastic lightening show Monday evening?

Well, we will soon have another month pass us by - can Cemetery with Joe Bernier officiating. you believe it will be October already! Time to start thinking about Christmas shopping. And speaking of Christmas shopping - Hogtown Hootenanny is coming on the 17th of October. Besides food, music and games, we will have a great craft show. If you have attended one of our spring craft shows, you know that we have wonderful vendors with high-quality work. It will be a great time to begin your Christmas shopping. Come and see.

Hogtown Hootenanny will run from 10:00 until 6:00. The guys will be cooking and serving bar-b-que sandwiches at lunch time.

Our new month will begin here at the DAC on Saturday, October 3rd with 'Breakfast at the DAC'. We had a full house last month and look forward to another on the 3rd!

Johnny Johnson and the Memory-Makers will be back on Friday, October 9th for our regular dance. Great band! Great people! Great fun!

If you are looking for domino fun, come to the DAC on Tuesday evenings at 6:00 P.M. If you are looking for some jamming fun, come to the DAC on Thursday afternoons at 3:00.

We do have fun at the DAC!

See you in Desdemona! Carol Pell

## Classifieds



FREE TO A GOOD HOME: We have a Lab/Rot Cross Dog named "Bear". He is about 2 years old. We have moved back to the Lake Leon and do not have big enough yard. Likes to play with his green ball. Needs fenced area. Call Lonnie at Gorman Progress - 254-734-2410.



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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

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## Obituary

#### **George Elbert Bennett**

George Elbert Bennett age 89, passed away Tuesday, September 15, 2009 at the Homestead Nursing and Rehab of Gor-

Graveside services were 2:00 P. M. Thursday at Simpson

Elbert was born August 23, 1920 in Eastland County to George Franklin Bennett and Onnie Cora Strickland Bennett. He married Cora Lee Griffith on March 24, 1940 in Breckenridge. He was an assistant postmaster, retiring after 30 years of service and a member of the First United Methodist Church. Elbert was a World War II veteran serving with the U.S. Army in the 36th Division in the European Theater.

He is survived by his wife, Cora Lee Bennett of Gorman; son, Dwight Bennett and wife, Kathy of Mansfield; daughter, Sharon Jones of Austin; sister, Betty Little of the Kokomo Community; four grandchildren, Katrina Bennett of Mansfield, Jennifer Wisbrock of Arlington, Chris Jones of Austin and Kathi Spruiell of Austin and five great grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents and one brother, Vernon Bennett.

Visitation was at 6:30 P. M. to 8:30 P.M. Wednesday evening at the Funeral Home.

#### Gorman Children In Action

Firstfruits' children's program Children In Action meets every Monday at 6:30 pm providing the children of Gorman and surrounding areas fun, games, music, learning and more. With over fifty children attending and about twenty adults participating CIA is one of the biggest things happening in Gorman on Monday nights. At CIA children learn how to be Agents for Christ, to be Children In Action wherever they are. At home, school, on the field, at the store every where they go they are Agents for Christ. For the past few weeks we have started to see these children step up and begin to live this out in a greater way. Some have begun to take action on Monday nights as well and are involved in presenting elements of the CIA service. Children are now involved in CIA Welcome, Agent Briefing, Agent Training, and CIA Praise. It is incredible to see these children take a mic and lead their peers to be Agents for Christ. We invite you to come and experience CIA for your self; you will have a great time. Oh, and bring your kids, they'll like it too. For more information or a ride call 734-3203

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3-1 Frame Home, 1 car carport, shaded lot, storage building [DS02] \$39,500 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 [BN01] \$82,500 Fully-equipped Restaurant, Hwy.6 DeLeon, 2,998sf(CAD), paved lot, [GM02] \$180,000

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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

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

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

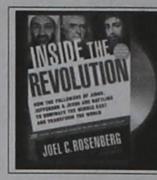
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Whereas, the rules, regulations and requirements established by ordinance may not be inconsistent with State

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF GORMAN, TEXAS, THAT:

SECTION 3.08 ESTRAY AND OTHER LIVESTOCK - Highlights of Ordinace 335-C

The property where horses, mules, jacks, jennets or any species of cattle are kept or harbored shall contain a minimum of 1/2 of one acre ("1/2 acre") per animal. It shall be unlawful for any person to keep or harbor any combination of two of these animals per 1/2 acre.

The property where poultry are kept or harbored shall contain a minimum of 1/4 of one acre ("1/4 acre") per bird. It shall be unlawful for any person to keep or harbor more than eight (8) of any combination of species of poultry on any property. Notwithstanding the foregoing, only one (1) rooster shall be allowed per property. All poultry shall be properly penned and contained within cages or other proper enclosures at all times unless Owner is conducting routine maintenance and/or cleaning of the cages.

#### CISCO MAN CONVICTED OF AGGRAVATED ASSAULT WITH A DEADLY WEAPON ON A PUBLIC SERVANT

This past week, twelve citizens of this community, sitting as jurors in the 91st District Court, convicted and sentenced JERRY RANDOLPH HASTINGS JR, a Cisco resident, to ten years confinement in the Institutional Division of the Texas Department of Criminal Justice with a (\$1,500.00) one thousand, five hundred dollar fine. The jury further recommended that the pen time be suspended with community supervision but did not suspend the fine. Hastings had never been convicted of a felony offense but did have a similar charge in 1989 of Aggravated Assault with a Deadly Weapon. Hastings successfully completed community supervision in that case.

The arrest and conviction of Hastings arose out of an early morning 2006 incident in Cisco, where it was alleged that Hastings had pointed a rifle at a Cisco Police Officer three times while the officer was there responding to an alarm call. Attorneys Matt Schaefer of Cisco and Quanah Parker of Abilene represented Hastings during the trial with Crimi nal District Attorney Russ Thomason prosecuting. Assistant Criminal District Attorney Bill Dowell gave the closing argument during the guilt-innocence phase of the trial.

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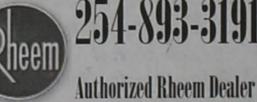
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### **City Minutes**

SEPTEMBER 17, 2009

The Gorman City Commission met on the above date. Those present were Mayor Robert Ervin, Commissioners Nathan Files, Joe Casey and David Stanley. Others present were Glenn Scitern and Durward Webb.

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

Mayor Ervin called the meeting to order @ 5:31 p.m.

Joe made the motion to approve the minutes of the previous meeting. Nathan made a second. Motion carried 3-0.

Nathan made the motion to approve the bills for payment. David made a second. Motion carried 3-0.

The Commission had discussion on filling the vacancy of Charlie Torrez's position.

With the final reading of Ordinance #335C, Keeping of Livestock and Pet Animals, Joe made the motion to pass, approve and adopt this ordinance. David made a second. Motion carried 3-0. The Commission wants different portions of this ordinance ran in the paper, so that residents will have knowledge of what is allowed and

The first reading of the amendment to Ordinance #240, Prohibiting the use of fireworks in the City limits, was read at this time. There was no action taken on the Blair Property at this

Nathan made the motion to appoint as point of contact for the NIMS Compliance the Chief of Police, Patrol Officer, Fire Chief and Asst. Fire Chief. Joe made a second. Motion carried 3-0.

Randy Beyer was not able to be present. He will reschedule and plan to be at the next meeting.

Mr. Beyer is with Jacob and Martin Engineering. We are working to get a grant to replace water lines.

Gorman Milling Company had requested changing the speed limit on McCall Street and Houston Street from the 30mph, to 10mph. These streets are very busy with the customer loading, employees crossing back and forth, and trucks weighing and loading. This request was tabled at this time to check on Ordinances supporting speed limits in the City. This will be put on the next agenda.

Cable Tower Lease was not discussed. Kerry Stratton was apparently unable to attend this meeting. The tower lease will be put on the agenda for the next meeting.

The Commission discussed with Glenn the need to figure out a schedule for using the chipper. It will be advertised in advance what day and which area will be served each time the chipper is taken

There being no further business for discussion, David made the motion to adjourn with a second from Joe. Motion carried 3-0, time was 6:25 p.m.

#### FFA Exhibitors

Attention all FFA exhibitors if you plan on exhibiting a barrow or gilt at a major show those tags need to be ordered by the 24th of September. Mr. Boles will be collecting those numbers and money. Also, coming up on September 24th is validation for commercial heifer show. The lamb and goat validation will held October the 20th in Eastland. Just don't forget we have added a market Angora show and a Hair Sheep class at county. If you have not already purchased your animals those dates are rapidly approaching. If you need help in locating and purchasing animals feel free to contact Mr. Boles. Also rabbit showers need to start looking for breeders now. There is always a shortage of rabbits for January shows. If you have any questions contact Mr. Boles @ 734-2505.



09/12/2009

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 whiles sizes last.

Please call any cheerleader or Becky Swanner at the above





## Farm Service Agency Clarifies Livestock Eligibility Program Requirements - Emphasis on Insurance Requirements

(College Station) -- Sept.18, 2009 - Juan M. Garcia, Executive Director of USDA's Farm Service Agency (FSA) in Texas, announced earlier this week that Texas FSA offices statewide are now accepting applications for benefits under the provisions of the Emergency Assistance for Livestock, Honeybees, and Farm-Raised Fish Program (ELAP) and the Livestock Forage Disaster Program (LFP) as outlined in the 2008 Farm Bill. For both programs, producers must have suffered losses that occurred on or after January 1, 2008, and before October 1, 2011.

In order for an LFP or ELAP applicant to qualify for program benefits, the applicant must have purchased insurance coverage through FSA's Noninsured Crop Disaster Assistance Program (NAP) or the Pasture, Rangeland and Forage Insurance (PRF-RI) program offered through the Risk Management Agency (RMA).

FSA offered producers the opportunity to "buy-in" eligibility for 2008 program benefits for LFP subject to a September 16, 2008 deadline. Deadlines for buy-in for 2008 ELAP benefits were September 16, 2008 and May 18, 2009; and purchase of 2009 crop year NAP coverage for native and improved pasture for grazing had to be completed by December 1, 2008.

"Since the passage of the 2008 Farm Bill in June of 2008, the Agency publicized program 'buy-in' and NAP coverage deadlines and offered deadline extensions in order to insure all producers had ample opportunity to meet program eligibility requirements," said Garcia.

Producers who meet the requirements of a socially disadvantaged, limited resource, or beginning farmers or ranchers, as defined in the Food, Agriculture, Conservation, and Trade Act of 1990, Section 2501 (e) (7 U.S.C. 2279(e)), do not have to meet this Risk Management Purchase Requirement (RMPR) and, therefore, are not required to have paid the buy-in fee.

Garcia stressed that FSA will consider granting equitable relief to producers who did not meet RMPR provisions; rendering them ineligible for livestock disaster program benefits.

"For certain extenuating circumstances, FSA has the authority to grant equitable relief to producers who made a good faith effort to comply with RMPR provisions," said Garcia "All requests for equitable relief will be considered on a case-by-case basis but producers must understand that relief is not

LFP provides payments to eligible livestock producers that have suffered livestock grazing losses due to qualifying drought or fire. Fire losses apply only to federally managed rangeland. Eligible livestock under LFP include beef cattle, alpacas, buffalo, beefalo, dairy cattle, deer, elk, emus, equine, goats, llamas, poultry, reindeer, sheep and swine. For losses due to drought, qualifying drought ratings are determined using the U.S. Drought Monitor located at http://www.drought.unl.edu/dm/monitor.html.

ELAP provides emergency assistance to eligible producers of livestock, honeybees and farmraised fish that have losses due to disease, adverse weather or other conditions, including losses due to blizzards and wildfires. ELAP assistance is for losses not covered under other Supplemental Agricultural Disaster Assistance programs established by the 2008 Farm Bill, specifically LFP, the Livestock Indemnity Program (LIP) and the Supplemental Revenue Assistance Payments Program (SURE).

LFP and ELAP program applicants should note that in addition to risk management provisions, certain payment limitation and adjusted gross income eligibility requirements must be met in order to qualify for livestock disaster program benefits.

For more information or to apply for ELAP or LFP and other USDA Farm Service Agency disaster assistance programs, please visit your local USDA Service Center or FSA county office. Information can also be obtained on line at http://www.fsa.usda.gov.

## SCHOOL MENU Week of Sept. 27 thru Oct. 2

MONDAY - Cereal, biscuit, juice and milk TUESDAY - Cinnamon Rolls, Juice and Milk WEDNESDAY - Cinnamon Toast, Fruit, Juice and Milk. THURSDAY - not available at press time FRIDAY - not available at press time.

LUNCH

MONDAY - Chicken and Dumplings, lasagna, tossed salad, fresh carrots, fruit, crackers and milk. TUESDAY - Meat loaf, chicken rings, cream potatoes, corn nuggets, gravy, rolls spice cake and

WEDNESDAY - Chicken pot pie, Cheese pizza, vegetable sticks, green beans, crackers, rice crispy

THURSDAY - not available at press time. FRIDAY - not available at press time.

## **Super Notes**

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

How about those Panthers! Their home coming win over Christoval was exciting, especially the second half. I must say I appreciate Coach Bunch and crew for giving playing time to as many as possible. The score could have been much more lop-sided had he kept his starters in the entire game and believe me, they wanted to be in there. Our guys have improved a little each week and I feel sure by district, we will be ready to surprise some people. I want to thank everyone for all of their hard work so far this season, not just the players and the coaches, but the teachers and the parents as well. It is a team effort to keep these athletes physically and mentally prepared and eligible. I know it is not a short drive to Bosqueville, but I still hope you will all support the Panthers with your presence Friday night! They are working very hard and deserve all the support you can afford to give.

Our volleyball team is working equally as hard and showing great improvements weekly. Unfortunately, due to injuries and other circumstances, we have had to combine our JV and Varsity. Although this may result in less playing time for some, I think it will strengthen our team considerably. Last week the Lady Panthers won over Moran by a considerable margin and had a bye on Saturday. This week they travel to Tolar on Tuesday and play Lingleville here Saturday morning at 10:00am. Way to go Lady Panthers!

The Homecoming Festivities were great! The band performed well and all of our young ladies were beautiful. The guys on the other hand just made the young ladies look all the better. Just kidding! The guys were looking good and did a great job of escorting, even thoses in football uniforms.

Were you a boy scout when you were a boy? I was and it was a lot of fun and I learned a lot as well. There will be a Scout Rally this Thursday, September 24th at 2:00pm in the auditorium. If any of you Fathers are interested in being a leader please let us know. You can call the Elementary Office (254734-2617).

We have many of our young ones playing organized league football this year. These are the Panthers of tomorrow. They are using our practice field to practice on as well as playing some of their games there. I do not know their game schedule but I believe it is every Saturday, but I am not sure if it is in Eastland all the time and here part of the time. I'll get someone to publish their schedule in the paper as soon as I can.

The P.T.O. at the elementary is collecting Box Tops for Education again this year. Please turn in your box tops to the office or have your child give them to their teacher. For those of you with no children in school, please feel free to participate. This is one small way you can support our school that won't cost you a thing. Just drop off your box tops to the school when it is convenient for you.

Elementary students are to continue to wear red, white, and blue to show Cub spirit on Thursdays and Fridays. I encourage everyone to do the same, especially those that attend the games. It means a lot to our athletes to look up at the stands and see them filled with their school colors!

When your child is absent, it cost our school money regardless of if it is an excused absence or not. Our income is based on average daily attendance, not enrollment. We need every child in school every day that it is possible for them to be there. Official attendance is taken every day during second period. If your child has to be absent for a scheduled appointment, please make their appointment at a time that makes it possible for your child to be in school through second period. However, if your child is absent, please send a note including name, date and reason for absence.

Parents have until October 1st to have shot records current. If you need a copy of a shot record, please let us know. As a suggestion, you might call ahead to see if your child needs a shot. If their record shows that they need shots and you have already gotten them, please send a copy of current record so we may update our re-

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

Town Hall Meeting for the Gorman Housing Authority will be October 6, 2009 at 2 p.m. The

Meeting will be

at the Housing

Authority Hotel

Assembly Room

## **Desdemona News**

By Vonnie Guthery

"Desdemona Monthly Musical" will be held on Saturday night, September 26th at the Community Center (former school building). The kitchen opens at 5:30 PM. serving sandwiches, homemade pie and drinks. Come early to enjoy supper and have fellowship with all of the group before the music program begins at 6 PM. There will be Country and Western music with some bluegrass and Gospel included. All area musicians, singers and visitors are invited to attend. This is a "SMOKE FREE" environment and the admission is "FREE".

Linda (Hall) Hahn of Arlington visited the past weekend in Desdemona with her sister, Carol Sue (Hall) Willis.

Remember the sick and shut-ins of our community.

Have a great day, Coon.

#### Senior Citizens News

By Carol Ward

There was only 20 of us here to celebrate the Birthdays for August and September. I surely was disappointed and had hoped for more of a turnout on Spetember 16. For August there were Martha Rainey, Betty Regian, Anne Laminack and Geraldene Wright who also gave the blessing for us all. The September Birthdays for James Miears, Adrianna Chamberlain, Jackie Burns and Max Bush. Max couldn't be here due to a Dr. Appt. All the others were in attendance, so that was good.

We enjoyed a very delicious dinner of meat loaf, brisket - that Geraldine Wright cooked, so good; and salmon patties. Veggies were low with spinach and lettuce salad, cabbage and pea salad. I forgot to warm up some canned vegetables which the food basket provides.

Our desserts were good and different with an apple bake, rice and raisin pudding, pumpkin pudding, cookies and a chocolate with white icing birthday cake. Also corn bread and Betty Regian's good rolls. Glad to have her back.

Our tax/assessor Sandra Cagle was here to dine and visit. We always enjoy her. She visits with Wilburn Overstreet, her relative. She is in Gorman on the third Wednesday to help us out on liscense plates, etc.

I enjoyed watching our Gorman girls playing Volleyball on the 15th. I stayed longer than intended and watched all grades. Our Varsity girls won and my granddaughter Alaina Swanner's 8th grade team did also. The new Grym is awesome and I can sit without being in pain. It is worth every penny of the cost, plus the new High School Addition. I was shocked that we are allowing food to be taken in and slopped all over the seats, etc. No other towns that have new gyms allow food in playing area. That is why the tables and windows are in the front for viewing. One "BIG" mistake!!!

There were only three of us ladies at the Center on the 17th for games. We had more fun, as sometimes we just talk and laugh. Several men stayed late to play dominoes. Maybe more will come back no that it is cooler and nice fall weather. Although we just had two very hot days in the 90's. The rain has been a blessing with everything so green and beautiful. All kinds of mushrooms around. I never saw so much hay being made. GOOD!

Hope all is well and see you soon.

Markyour calendar for Saturday, October 3rd, Carbon School grounds - east end of Antrhacite St.

The Carbon High School Class of 1959 will be honored.

Registration will begin at 9 a.m. At the old school location and will last until the program begins at 10:30 a.m.

Carbon Community Center will be open from 8:30 a.m. Until 10 a.m. The Carbon School trophies and other memorabilia are there for viewing

The noon meal will be served in the camp dining hall on the north end of the school. The building is air conditioned with plenty of seating.

Meal tickets are \$10.50 each and can be picked up at the registration table. If your address has changed from last year be sure and make that change when you register so you will receive notice for next year's event.

Reservations are required for the noon meal.

Please send check or money order addressed to: Carbon Golden Exes, P. O. Box 635, Carbon, Tx 76435.

Deadline for reservations: September 19, 2009.

Schedule: Open visit and Walk through the Carbon Community Center (previously Carbon Methodist Church) 8:30 to 10 a.m. Registration: 9 a.m. To 10:30 a.m. Open Visitation: 9 a.m. To 10:30 a.m. (bring pictures, annuals and etc.) - Program: 10:30 a.m. - Meal: 12 noon or immediately following program.

#### **Hotfooters To Offer Clogging Classes**

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

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

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



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