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Gorman Panther Youth League Basketball Boys Team Wins Second Place In De Leon Tournament



The Gorman Panther Youth League Basketball Boys Team won 2nd place in the 5th/6th Grade Bracket at the DeLeon Tournament this last week. Everyone associated with the team is so very proud of these Boys. Front Row - Trent Fenly, Jacob Ervin, Samuel Rainey Back Row - Coach Jonathon Fenly, Ricardo Olevera, Jonatan Rivas, Coach Kathy Rainey. Not pictured is Daniel Rivas who also assisted the team

Gorman Panther Baseball



Baseball Tournament featuring Gorman vs. Goldthwaite. Goldthwaite runner is out at second base. Photo By Steven Bridges

Daylight Savings Time -- Spring Forward On March 13th

Carbon Volunteer Fire Deaprtment

The Carbon Volunteer Fire Department will have a FISH FRY on March 26th at the Carbon Community Baptist Church. Menu includes fish, hush puppies, french fries, beans, coleslaw, dessert and drink. Serving begins at 5 p.m. Cost for Adults is \$8.00 and \$5.00 for Children. The wives of firemen are reminded to please bring a dessert -- Any other ladies are welcome to also participate. Please come join us for a good meal and support a good cause. Thank you Carbon Volunteer Fire Department

Gorman General Election Be Held May 14th

The City of Gorman General Election will be held on May 14, 2011. Positions to be on the ballot are Commissioners Place 1 and Place 3. Currently serving as Commissioner Place #1 is Nathan Files, and serving as Place #3 is David Stanley. The first day to file for a place on the May General Election ballot will be February 12, 2011 and the last

day to file for a place on the ballot will be March 14, 2011 @ 5:00 p.m.

Notice of Administrative Enforcement Order Building and Standards Commission, City of Gorman, Texas Hearing Date: March 7, 2011

Property Address: 516 W Lexington, Gorman, Texas Hearing Results: that a violation of City Ordinance exists on the Property; that the building is uninhabitable and dangerous; that the Property Owner, Frank Willis Estate, shall abate, demolish and/or make all necessary corrections to the Property no later than thirty (30) days after the date of this Order; and if the Property Owner does not, the City of Gorman may enter the Property and abate, demolish and/or make all necessary corrections to the Property and place a lien on the Property for the costs of abatement

The complete Order is maintained in the Office of the City Secretary of the City of Gorman and may be obtained by open records request through the City of Gorman, 116 South Kent Street, Gorman, TX, 76454.

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CIA is Back. Yes that is right CIA (Children In Action) First Fruit's weekly children's program is in full swing once again. FCF invites all kids ages 6-12 to come and join the fun and excitement. It happens on Mondays at 6:30. We'll see there next Monday. For more info call 254-734-3203.

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

4-H - The Club is going to meet the first Wednesday of each month in the New Gym. All people interested in participating are encouraged to attend. The meeting will be at 3:45 -4:45. For more information Call Cindy Underwood 734-5085.

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. Cecil Funderburgh, Master - Kenneth Good, Secretary.

Gorman Oaklawn Cemetery Association is accepting donations for the Care of the Cemetery. Donations can be sent to Oaklawn Cemetery Association, 7726 CR 362, Desdemona, Tx 76445 or to American State Bank, Gorman, Texas 76454

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

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

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

Boy Scouts

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

SANDRA CAGLE WILL BE IN GORMAN AT THE CITY OF-FICE TO RENEW AUTO LICENSE PLATES. HER NEXT VIS-IT IS WEDNESDAY, MARCH 23RD FROM 9 TIL NOON.

Eastland Co. Severe Storm Program Scheduled for Tuesday, March 15th

The 2010 severe storm season in North Texas was anything but typical, but was quite busy. There were tornadoes as early as January 20th, and tornadoes as late as October 24th. Hail storms, damaging thunderstorm winds, and flooding all had their turn across north Texas skies. The toll on life and property was significant, with many casualties and damage in the tens of millions of dollars.

The 2011 severe weather season is fast approaching. Are you ready for whatever this year has in store? Do you have a severe weather plan at your home and your workplace? Can you recognize the clues that suggest large hail, flash flooding, or a tornado is possible? Do you want to become part of the severe weather warning system in your county? As part of its area-wide weather preparedness campaign, the National Weather Service in Fort Worth will answer these and many other questions at the Skywarn severe weather program on Tuesday, March 15th, from 7:00 to 9:00 PM. The program will be held at the Eastland Fire Department, and is held in partnership with Eastland County Emergency Management.

The 2011 program will discuss thunderstorm formation, severe weather production, and features associated with severe storms. The presentation will also review tornado formation and behavior, non-threatening clues which may be mistaken for significant features, and safety when thunderstorms threaten. The program will discuss spotter operations and recommended reporting procedures. The two-hour presentation will be in multimedia format, featuring numerous pictures of storms and nearly 25 minutes of storm video clips.

"We have quite a bit of new material for this year's spotter training program", said Mark Fox, Warning Coordination Meteorologist at the Fort Worth NWS Office. "We will present the information in the form of a checklist for the attendees to utilize. Most of the storm photos and video clips are different this year. We have reworked many of our graphics. We'll have more identification cases, and we'll discuss the operational aspects of storm spotters in detail".

The fundamental purpose of the spotter training - and of the storm spotter network as a whole - remains unchanged. "We could not do our job as well as we do without storm spotters. Radar is a great tool, but it only tells us part of a storm's story. Spotter observations complement the data we use to analyze storms. The combination of spotter reports and radar data gives us the best possible picture of the storms and what's going on inside them".

The program is free and open to the public. "By coming to this program, you will learn a lot about thunderstorms", Fox said. "Even if you don't become an active storm spotter, you will learn about how storms work and the visual clues you can identify when storms are in your area. We will discuss severe weather safety tips. This will better prepare yourself and your family for the threats that storms pose".

The Eastland County severe weather program is one of over 60 that the Fort Worth NWS Office will conduct between January and early April 2011. The National Weather Service in Fort Worth provides forecasts, warnings, and weather services for 46 counties in north and north-central Texas. For more information on severe weather and the National Weather Service, visit the Fort Worth Forecast Office's website at http://www.weather.gov/fortworth and on Facebook: http://www.facebook.com/US. NationalWeatherService.FortWorth.gov

March 28 Scholarship

High School Seniors Texas high school seniors have until March 28 to apply for the Don't Mess with Texas

Deadline for Texas

scholarship. The 8th annual scholarship is sponsored by Dow Chemical Company in partnership with Keep Texas Beautiful. The firstplace winner will receive \$3,000. The second- and third-place winners will receive \$1,000 each. Don't Mess with Texas is the litter prevention campaign of the Texas

Department of Transportation. The scholarship is one of TxDOT's efforts to generate more youth involvement in Don't Mess with Texas, since research shows that age is the number-one predictor of littering behavior, with Texans ages 16-34 littering the most.

Any Texas high school senior who will attend a two- or four-year Texas college or university can apply. For the essay prompt, application, rules, and background information, visit http://dontmesswithtexas.org/programs/ scholarship/. Winners will be notified in April.

The Gorman Lady Panthers Softball Team were in the Alvord Tournament held on February 25th and 26th. On Friday, they won against Paradise by the score of 11 to 1, won against Archer City by the score of 13 to 1 and won against Bridgeport JV by the score of 15 to 1. On Saturday they lost to Bridgeport JV by the score of 9 to 1. Jaime Johnston was selected to All Tournament Team.

On March 1st Gorman played Tolar at Tolar and lost by the score of 18 to 11. On March 4th Gorman hosted Santa Anna and won by the score of 10 to 0. Kinsey Johnston had 2 hits, 2 runs, 1 home run and 3 RBI's; Cortney Shirley had 2 hits, 2 runs, 1 RBI and 4 stolen bases; Jaime Johnston had 2 runs, 1 RBI, 2 stolen bases; Holly Wood had 1 run; Yari Montelongo had 1 run; Melissa Ramirez had 1 double, 2 runs and a stolen base.

Building and Standards Commission Minutes

The Building and Standards Commission met at the Gorman City Hall on Monday, March 7, 2011. Those present were Commissioners Marilyn Warren, Kenny Welch, Bill Medart and Todd Wright. Noah Landa arrived at 5:40. Others present were Jill Rainey and Cliffa Vaughn.

The meeting was called to order by Bill at 5:35pm. Jill read the minutes from the previous meeting with no corrections or additions made, minutes were approved as read.

In the matter of old business, discussion was held on ZJ's building located at 109 S Kent, penalties will keep accruing and Mr. Pierce will be responsible for getting the Commission a schedule as to the plans of the new clean up since the wall fell. As to the Wooten property at 827 N Kent, demolition went well and after the rest of the trash is picked up, the City will bring in dirt to cover the hole left where the house sat. The Willis property was found to be in violation of Ordinance 302.2. Kenny made a motion to begin the condemnation process on it with Marilyn making a second, motion passed 5-0. Jill will talk to Richard Brown when the paper work has been done.

In new business, the Commission discussed properties for future clean up. Adding alternates to the Commission and setting a regularly scheduled meeting date. They also discussed a possible city wide clean up that would consist of volunteers picking up trash along the road ways. Keep America Beautiful's Great American Cleanup is the nation's largest community improvement program, and takes place annually from March 1 through May 31 (see www.ktb.org for more information).

With no further business motion to adjourn was made by Kenny and seconded by Noah, passed by all time was 6:30pm.

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THE GORMAN YOUTH SPORTS COUNCIL WILL BE HAVING SPRING/SUMMER T-BALL, BASEBALL, AND SOFT-BALL SIGN-UPS ON MARCH 3 FROM 5P to 7P AT THE COM-MUNITY CENTER AND FINAL SIGN-UP WILL BE MARCH 12 FROM 2p to 4p IN THE NEW GYM. WE HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE

Gorman ISD School Board Election To Be Held May 14th

Three positions will come open for the May 14, 2011 election for school board trustees and special election to fill an unexpired term. These positions will include two three-year terms to be elected at large, currently held by Larry Thompson and Noah Landa. The third position is a two year unexpired term ending May 2013, this term vacated by Beth Underwood and filled by appointment by Don Whitten. Don Whitten, Noah Landa, and Larry Thompson have filed for a place on the ballot. First day to file is February 12, 2011. Deadline to file is March 14, 2011 at 5:00 p.m. Applications are available at the Superintendents' office during school hours.

Maxfield Elementary 4th Six Weeks Honor Roll

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BRADON WALTON 2nd Grade

HAYDEN HAMPTON **BRAYLAN LAMINACK BRAEDEN McDONALD** KAITLYN MORTON JONATHAN RODRIGUEZ HANNAH UNDERWOOD

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MONDAY - SPRING BREAK

"On The Wilder Side"

One of the wisest phrases I have ever heard goes as follows, "what it is, is; and what it ain't, ain't". Simple, basic, and to the point. In other words, whatever exists, whatever is true, and whatever has happened, well, it is. At the same time, whatever does not exist, whatever is not true, and whatever has not happened is not. Society, culture, and human thinking is ever shifting in our ways of determining that which is true from that which is false. Philosophy professors at our 'ivy league' universities teach that reality is subjective. You are who you say you are. Truth is what you want it to be and no one has the right to impose their truth on you. Suddenly with this way of thinking also comes the questioning of foundations of which America has always stood such as God and family. At one time in this great nation every person belonged to a family and every family belonged to God.

noticed has happened right in our own back yards. Satan has gotten the world to believe that anything and everything should be tolerated. The only thing that is not tolerated is intolerance. We see examples such as students who are no longer allowed to lead public prayers in schools or at sporting events and Christian social clubs are no longer permitted to assemble on university campuses (although other faiths are allowed to).

There has even been a wide shift by those who profess to be Christian in their basic beliefs about God. Many will say that their God is too loving to condemn others or too loving to create a place of torment like hell. This way of thinking is just not right and it is not scriptural. There is no doubt, God is love; 1 Jn 4:8 tells us so. But do you also believe that God is a consuming fire and a jealous God? You should because that's written in Heb 12:29 and Ex 20:5.

The fact is, it really doesn't matter how the world wants to define truth, manipulate Christianity, and define God. That doesn't change the fact that what it is, is; and what it ain't, ain't.

> Fight the good fight (1 Tim 6:12) -Jason Wilder Gorman Church of Christ

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S/E Gorman: 60 A, good sandy soil, some coastal, good fences, elec., nice pond site.

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A Letter To The Editor - On Yemen's Troubles Spilling Over By Henry A. Buchanan

Yemen's embattled President Ali Abdullah Saleh has accused the U.S. of fomenting the trouble he is having. He says that he is revealing a secret: Israel is the watchdog of the U.S. and Tel Aviv is the hub of operations to destablize the Saleh power in Yemen.

This may be true or it may be a simple recognition of what is already known: the U.S. and Israel have a very close relationship in the attempt to control the power in the Middle East. What is known is that the old political maxim: You can buy a man but he won't stay bought if somebody else makes a better offer.

Take this one step further. If someone threatens him with something worse than what he's being paid for, he will cave in. This is just what is happening to Saleh. His own people are threatening to overthrow him and this threat is more frightening than the loss of what we are paying him for. To lose the throne will mean loss of everything including what we are paying to maintain the trappings of the throne.

His revealed secret about Tel Aviv does con-Perhaps most significant shift we as Christians have stitute a warning to us though: we support Israel as our watchdog in the Middle East, but our own safety depends on the watchdog's safety. If someone shoots Rover we are in trouble.

Henry A. Buchanan 1131 N. Kent St. - Gorman, TX 76454 254-734-4569 - March 4, 2011



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Forget Fast Food: 10 Secrets to **Making Good Food Fast**

(NU) - Today's busy lifestyles leave little time for basic cooking, and have led to a growing trend of daily fast food meals - for breakfast, lunch and dinner! But eating healthy and cooking at home can fit within a busy lifestyle if you learn to make quick, 15-minute

Deana Gunn and Wona Miniati, authors of the "Cooking with Trader Joe's" cookbooks, are two moms who found that recipe shortcuts are the key to quick meals - and kicking the fast food habit.

"By taking fresh ingredients and strategically coupling them with prepared items and shortcuts from the grocery store, we can cree healthy meals in a fraction of time it would take to make from scratch," says Gunn.

Most markets now offer fresh, ready-to-use ingredients such as jarred sauces, cut veggies, bagged salads and marinated meats - the key to these easy shortcuts. Here are Gunn and Miniati's top 10 kitchen tips and tricks for cooking delicious and easy meals at home, without compromising quality or

resorting to the drive-through: 1) Use prepared sauces, from marinaras to curries. Add vegetables or meats and simmer, or toss sauces with couscous or pasta.

2) Add everyday superfoods, like canned beans or pre-cooked lentils, to soups or salads, or serve them over rice.

3) Pick up a fully cooked rotisserie chicken. Use the leftovers in wraps or soups.

4) Perk up any meal with fresh herbs. Add fresh basil to a simple pasta dish, cilantro to plain rice, or rosemary to roasting potatoes.



Use ready-made sauces to assemble a delicious, healthy meal in minutes.

5) Toss a healthy salad in minutes using washed and bagged salad. 6) Salad dressings do double-duty as fast and flavorful marinades for chicken or meats.

7) Transform boxed meals such as rice pilaf or mac-n-cheese by adding frozen vegetables, readycubed pancetta or a little curry

8) Put an end to greasy pizza delivery. Use ready-made dough to roll out quick pizza crusts that you can top with your own favorite and healthy ingredients.

Customize cake and bread mixes to your tastes. Add dried fruits and nuts to a bread mix, or stir lemon and orange zest into a plain white cake mix.

10) Plan simple recipes for the week before going shopping. If you shop with meals in mind, you'll save time and wasted gro-

Deana Gunn and Wona Miniati are authors of the bestselling "Cooking with Trader Joe's" cookbooks and "The Trader Joe's Companion." Find out more at www.cookingwithtraderjoes.com.

Happenings At FBC!!

Test! Temptation! Trials! They come in the form of family crisis, financial problems, health issues, or something else. Building your unshakeable faith in the living hope of Jesus will deliver the strength you need to battle difficult circumstances.

Mark your calendars:

March 12th - 8am - Brotherhood Breakfast - Come to enjoy friendship, food, & fun.

April 24th - Easter Sunday - Make plans for Baby Dedication, call Church Office to sign up.

Wednesdays: TeamKids at 6pm, Mission Friends at 6pm, and Youth at 6:30pm. Bring your friends and have fun learning about Jesus!

Children's Sermon: Traci loves to eat vegetables. She has her garden plowed and ready to plant seeds. Traci asked the children what would grow if she planted corn seeds and the children said, "Corn!" The children knew what vegetables would grow by the seeds that were planted. God's Word tells us in Galations 6 that people harvest what they plant; bad seeds for a sinful self or good seeds to please the Spirit. Remember to pray to God and ask Him to help you plant good seeds, do good things, and be good to others.

FBC Praise Band: "Open the Eyes of My Heart", "Holy Ground", and "Holiness" released a magnificent and inspiring en-

Bro. Barry's Message: "Living Through Darkness 5, 6, & 7" - Matthew 26:37-38 -

In review, Living Through Darkness #1 is Admit You have a Problem, #2 is Jesus has the Power, #3 Make Jesus Your Lord, and #4 Confess the Good, the Bad, & the Ugly. In darkness we're unaware of others around us, we don't want to see or talk to anyone, we want to be alone, and we recluse into the shadows. Even though darkness is a non-element we sometimes feel like we can touch it and at other times we feel as if we could be crushed by darkness. Where are you in the darkness? Human beings break promises. God keeps every promise. MOVING OUT OF DARKNESS: It's moving day and we're rolling!

Step 5: TELL SOMEONE - Find someone that you can trust, that will listen, and will help. Don't write it on FaceBook. Use your brain. Paul confessed in Acts 26:9-11. You cannot change or tame someone else. You can only change yourself, your circumstances, and your environment.

Step 6: TELL YOURSELF - It's time to change yourself. You have carried your burden of darkness. Paul said in Acts 26:19-20 that repentance is proved by the good things that are done. Prove yourself with your good deeds.

Step 7: TELL YOUR LORD - You need Him! Sin and darkness ran rampant in the life of David; David confessed in Psalm 51:1-12. Pour out your heart to the Lord and follow Him. Forgiveness is priceless. The Light of the Lord will shine in and illuminate each moment of your precious life.

If you are reading this and you have not accepted Jesus Christ as your Lord and Savior please call Bro. Barry, ask Bro. Barry to talk with you about being saved or just ask him to pray with you, just call (254) 734-2420.

Our Worship Service begins at 11:00AM on Sunday mornings, please come and join us! 1X100

Remember: God loves you like no one else! Email us at fbcgorman@hotmail.com

Pig Tales From Hogtown

We had a great crowd last Saturday morning for 'Breakfast at the DAC'! Thanks to all who came.

This Friday evening is the dance at the DAC with Johnny Johnson and the Memory-Makers. Hope you all can come to hear some great music and do a little dancing! The cost is \$5.00 per person. The concession stand opens at 6:00 and the music begins

Please be very careful when working outside - the vegetation is so very dry. All it takes is a tiny spark to start a fire. With the high winds we are having now, the fire will take off and cover a lot of ground in a very few minutes. Welders please have a spotter and some water when you are working.

I hope you have marked April 16th on your calendars. That is the date of the annual spring craft show here at the Desdemona Activity Center. We already have several vendors registered to come. If you make any kind of handcrafts and would like to be a vendor, please call me at 254-758-2420.

> See you in Desdemona! Carol Pell

Gorman High School 4th Six Weeks Honor Roll

FRESHMAN CLASS

A Honor Roll - Zack Carlton, Connie Gonzales, Kinsey Johnston, Jessica Ledford, Melissa Ramirez and Holly Wood; AB Honor Roll - Mykisha Hampton, Christ Howard, Randall Miley, Yarixa Montelongo, Rebecca Rainey, Tony Ramirez, Alaina Swanner and Jessica Williams.

SOPHOMORE CLASS

A Honor Roll - Luis Limon, Margarita Oronia and Rachel Tucker; AB Honor Roll - Jasmeen DeLaTorre, Christen Hagan, Skyler Henderson, Virdi Maldonado, B. J. Ramirez and Robert Shawyer.

JUNIOR CLASS

A Honor Roll - Dolores Garcia, Chelsea Griffin, Erica Madera and A. J. Vaughn; AB Honor Roll - Carlie Jackson, Ally Little, Rebekah Powell, Cortney Shirley, Katey Thackerson and Stetson Thompson.

SENIOR CLASS

A Honor Roll - Corey Houston, Jaime Johnston, Jaylon Miley and T. J. Warren; AB Honor Roll - Troy Gilder, Maria Raygoza, Any Regian, Stephanie Risueno and Cody Wood.

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Team Pride Showing Up On Window Shades

(NU) - What do you get for the sports fan who has everything? Glare-blocking window shades customized with team colors, logos and mascots.

The Major League Baseball Collection of roller shades from Comfortex Window Fashions includes licensed logos from all 30 major league baseball teams. The shades are available in custommade sizes, so they can be tailored to suit any size room, from a bedroom to a large den or home theater. Choose a shade with a single, dramatic team logo for a media room, or a shade with an all-over print of the team logo and mascot for a young baseball star's bedroom.

For the college sports fans, choose from the Collegiate Collection of roller shades. Choose shades that feature the university team logo, mascot or both. The Collegiate Collection is expanding every day to include more teams, so visit www.comfortex.com to look for your alma mater. Teams for which roller shades are currently available include the U.S. Military Academy, Stanford University, the Univer-ity of Maryland, the University of Kentucky, Georgia Tech, Villanova University and the Uni-

versity of Connecticut. In addition to showing your team spirit, the roller shades are designed to block excess glare. Pull down the shades and enjoy every play of the big game without excess light reflecting on your TV. Even when the TV is off, the team-themed window shades cre-



Team-themed window shades are a great addition to any sports media room.

ate a festive atmosphere for any pre-game or post-game party.

According to John C. Fitzgerald, executive vice president of Comfortex, "The shades are also designed for school facilities such as alumni halls, dormitories and campus centers."

Customized roller shades from either the Major League Baseball Collection or the Collegiate Collection make great gifts for the sports fans in your family or for your favorite college stu-

Comfortex Window Fashions has been an innovator in the window treatment field since 1986. For more information about the Major League Baseball Collection or the Collegiate Collection of roller shades from Comfortex, visit www.comfortex.com.

HOME

Homeowners Scramble as **Termites Spring to Action**

NewsUSA

(NU) - Spring is here - and with the refreshing start of a new season, the last thing you need on your mind is a termite invasion. However, according to the National Pest Management Association (NPMA), spring is a key time for termite infestations to occur in the home.

Termites eat constantly and can cause serious structural damage to your home, which is why prevention is paramount in keeping your home termite-free. Some useful termite prevention tips in-

· Avoid any moisture at the foundation of your home.

· Divert water away from your property through properly functioning downspouts, gutters and splash blocks.

 Reduce humidity and ventilate crawl places.

· Repair gutters and leaking outdoor faucets so that water will run away from the house, thus removing moisture.

 Remove infested stumps and trees near the foundation of the Store scrap lumber and fire-

wood as far from the house as pos-Replace weather stripping and

repair loose mortar around basement foundation and windows. · Routinely inspect the foundation of your home for signs of mud tubes (used by termites to reach a food source), cracked or bubbling

paint and wood that sounds hol-

low when tapped.

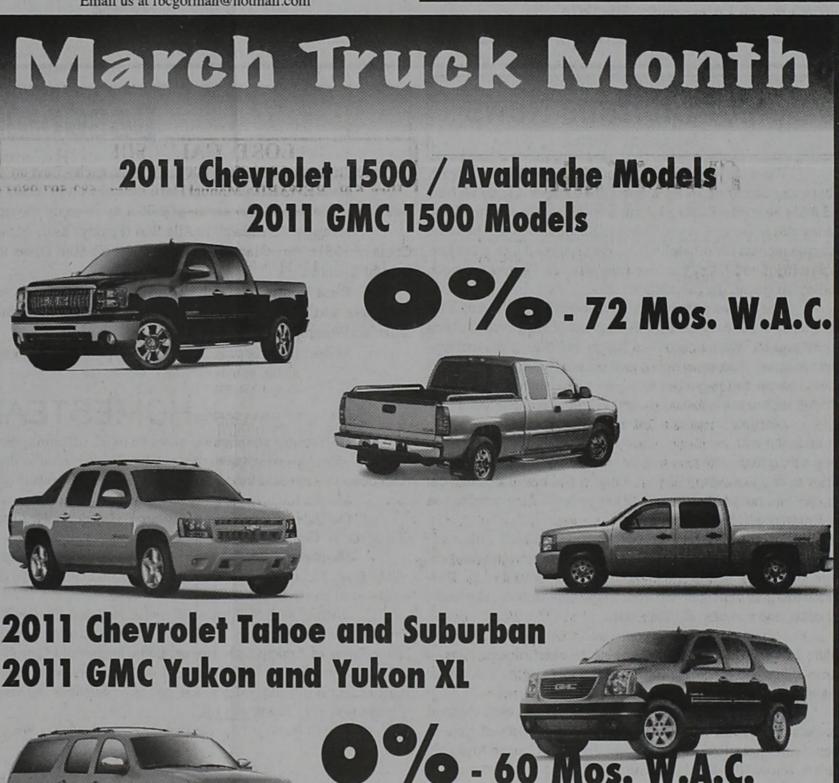


If you suspect a termite infes-tation, contact a pest profes-sional immediately.

However, if termites have already made their way into your home, it is important to contact a licensed pest professional to assess the situation. There are many solutions to control termite infestations, including barrier treatments and baiting systems and your professional will help you to select the most effective trea plan to suit your needs.

NPMA recommends your home be checked every year for termite infestations. Termites are silent destroyers and can often go unnoticed for long periods of time until the damage is already done. What's worse is that damage from wood boring insects is not covered by most homeowners' insurance policies, which can become a major and unexpected expense for

homeowners. Protect your property with annual inspections from a qualified pest professional. To learn more about termites or to contact a pest professional near you, visit www.pestworld.org.





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Senior Citizens News

By Carol Ward

We were a small group of 15 on the 2nd of March, Where was everybody? We missed Ellen Parker, Sandy Warren, and Billie Bennett still out after surgery on her finger. Bro. Frank Shirley still in Temple at the Veterans Hospital. He will be there a couple months for rehabilitation. We all signed a card for him. Hope it brightens his day to hear from all of us. Thanks to Estelle Lindley for giving the blessing for all.

Our nurses were here from Medway Home Health in De Leon. They come here the first Wednesday of the month to check our BP and BS. We missed them last month due to the extreme cold weather. Thanks to Nellie and the other lady for their services. I neglected to get her name, sorry. Wish they had time to eat with us, but seem to have many meetings, so no time.

I forgot to mention last time that Susan Lipson here to eat and visit with us. Sorry. Sure was good to have her, as had happy to see Geraldene Wright. Glad she is better and can get out. We had missed her hugs and happy face. Also good to see Lib Brudnak and the Buchanans.

Our meal good with Lima beans and ham with cornbread. Also green beans, creamed corn with cream cheese, cabbage, peas, and a good meat and cheese dip with Fritos. Desserts were Jello with fruit and cool whip. One Lemon cake and a nut cake, also cookies. All very tasty.

I drove myself to Abilene on the 4th to see the Urologist. My bladder better after taking a round of antibotics. I guess I'll have to live with this problem the rest of my life. I must take some one with me next time, get too tired alone.

My grandson came and helped get my yard cleaned up. Naturally Tyson Swanner likes to be paid. He will have to cocme one more time and it should be done. I used to do all, can't anymore. It is so dry and ugly, we msut get rain soon.

I now have my third great grandchild, born on the 7th of March. He is Conner Mark Ward, 7 pounds and 12 ounces. Pretty good sized boy for a little mother. I'm sure his sister, Kyree happy to see him after all these months. I should see him around Easter, as they live in Spring, Texas near Houston.

Hope all is well and see you soon, Carol

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Desdemona News

By Vonnie Guthery

Ladies Monthly Social will be held on Monday morning, March 14th at the Community Center (former school building). Make plans to arrive at 9:00 a.m. to enjoy the good food served by the Hostesses. Visitors are Welcome.

"Happy Birthday" to Alla Rae (Friday) Kelly of Sealy, Texas. Alla Rae and this reporter were classmates with the Class of 1951. This Class will celebrate their 60th Class Reunion in August at the Annual Desdemona Homecoming and School Reunion.

First Baptist Church of Desdemona contineus to have good attendance each Sunday. Bro. Charlie Johnson, his wife, Jana and all the members invites Visitors to attend on Sunday at 10:00 a.m. for Sunday School and 11:00 a.m. for the Morning Worship Service.

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

Have a great day, Vonnie.

HOMESTEAD HAPPENING

On Tuesday aftenoon we all had a touch of "Spring Fever" so we went out on the patio and planted flower seeds. They are been a long time. She also with us at this meeting. We were also all ready up and growing good. We will be planting more as the weather warms up. If anyone has any of those yellow tubs that cow lick comes in we would love to have them for our residents to plant things in

> Martha Rainey is coming on Tuesday and Thursday mornings at 9:30 for Yoga exercise. On Thusday evening at 6:30 Darrell Graham and the Praise Class Quartet from the First Baptist Church of Eastland is coming

to sing for us. Come on up and join us. Members of the First Baptist Church came for worship service at 2:30 on Sunday. Next Sunday the Kokomo Baptist Church

will be here. New Hope Baptist comes on the 5th Sundays. We are looking for someone to come on the 3rd and 4th Sundays. If anyone is interested please let me know. Visiting with Nell McAnally were Nell and Charles Kennedy, Addison and Tommy Bosworth of Olden. Visiting Roszelle

Caraway were Bo Caraway and Kathy Scitern. Visiting Leta Hogan were Bea and Harold Schakade, Bubba and Lori Hogan, and Elaine Eaves of Albany, Dale Hogan, Eddie Hogan and Carroll Hogan of Gorman. Visiting Frankie Stacy were Maxine Huddleston of Lake Leon, Marilyn of Joshua, and Mr. and Mrs.Garry Hattox of Lingleville. Bill Shelton of Cleburne and Ewellene of DeLeon visited Claudie Shelton. Lil Brudnak comes on Sundays and visits with the resident. Thank you Lil.

Don't forget to "Spring Forward" on Sunday. We will start saving daylight.

Have a good week

AG VIEW POINT By: Heath Begeman

Stocking Small Ponds

Small Ponds, Impoundments and reservoirs less than 1 surface acre in size are considered "small ponds" for the purposes of this publication. Most ponds in Texas are less than 1 acre in size, and many are less than ½ acre in surface area. These waters are almost always used for livestock, and fish management is usually not considered when the pond is built. But, after the pond is full of water, the owner often becomes interested in stocking fish.

Before stocking your small pond, remove any existing fish. New ponds should present no problems. Older ponds may have many different combinations of fish that will interfere with production. Avoid management hassles - - clean out the pond. Consult the References for information on using rotenone to renovate ponds. Catfish are recommended for stock in small ponds, since they provide the most fishing recreation and food for the table. Because catfish are more widely distributed and transportation costs of fish can be prohibitive, most small pond owners prefer to stock catfish, either channels or blues. Catfish may be stocked anytime; however, fish-eating birds can take a heavy toll from late October through April.

If you are feeding the catfish, feed them daily during the growing season (April through November), giving them the amount of feed they will eat in 10 to 15 minutes, but not more than 30 pounds per acre per day. Feed them about once a week during the other months. A daily feeding program with a good-quality commercial feed can result in 1 pound of fish gain for every 2 pounds of feed and will grow catfish to a catch able size in the shortest period of time. If daily visits to the pond are not practical, you can use an automatic feeder. Commercial catfish feed is available from feed and seed stores. Choose a good commercial floating or sinking pellet with at least 30-percent protein. Floating feeds may be more expensive, but they allow you to watch the fish while they feed, which reduces waste and provides entertainment.

Do not encourage catfish reproduction in small ponds by adding spawning devices or structures. Spawning will result in stunted fish. The total weight of the catfish should never be allowed to exceed the pond's carrying capacity (a maximum of 1,000 pounds per surface acre during the warm months). If your goal is to produce larger catfish, decrease the stocking rates accordingly. The probability of losing fish because of an oxygen depletion increases dramatically when the pond's carrying capacity is exceeded.

For information on large ponds or publications on pond care, please call Heath Begeman, County Extension Agent at the Extension Office, 254/629-1093.

Daylight Savings Time

Changes on March 13th this year.

Remember To Spring Forward.