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SCHOOL SAFETY **School Is Back In Session - Observe The Laws**

School is back in session, and we need to remember the importance of keeping our students safe! Please try to observe the laws that are designed to protect our children. Lexington Street, the street in front of the elementary school is a ONE WAY STREET, yet several times during the day, traffic is observed traveling in the opposite direction.

Also, in and around the school, speed limits are reduced to 20 MILES PER HOUR. We lave a pedestrian crosswalk located between the high school and the elementary school, so please use caution when driving through this area. Parents use the area behind the parked vehicles to pick up and drop off their children, so care should be taken during the early morning hours as well as at dismissal time.

Please be watchful of the loading and unloading of students from our buses. Our bus drivers do their very best to guard our students and keep them from harm, but safety laws must be observed by the public concerning the loading and unloading of our students. THE FLASHING RED LIGHTS AND STOP SIGNS ON THE SIDE OF THE BUS ARE THERE TO INFORM US WHEN WE NEED TO STOP and watch for students crossing our busy streets.

We need to be alert at all times in order to avoid dangerous situations. Help us to keep the they jumped to a 21-0 lead in students at Gorman ISD safe for the 2010-2011 school year.

Peanut Festival Parade and Activites Attended By A Large Crowd Gorman Milling Customer Appreciation Event Big Success

The Peanut Festival held Saturday in Gorman turned out to be a big success despite the very humid weather that made the day tough for people out in the sunshine. The Parade and Kid's Parade had a large group to honor the victims of 9-11. There were lots of people milling around all the booths and games at the park in Gorman. The Fireman's Tug of War had several area fire departments competing. The free street dance was also enjoyed by every Saturday night.



Panthers Drop Chico 34-18; Host Pirates In Homecoming Game

GAME AT A GLANCE GORMAN CHICO 15 First Downs 17 23/19 45/254 Carries/Yds. 188 20 Yds Passing 2 of 4/1 Pass Cplt./Int 11 of 31/1 Fumbles/Lost 2/2 2/2 4/38 0/0 Punts/Avg. Penalties 9/85 /80

The Gorman Panthers evened their season record on Friday night at Chico when the first quarter, then added 7 more in the second for a 28-6 halftime lead. The Panthers added 13 in the second half while holding the Dragons to 12 for a final score of 34-18.

The Panthers wasted little time showing their offensive power when they took the opening kickoff on their own 47 and scored in just 4 plays with Brandon Velasquez breaking through the middle of the dragon defense and racing 45 yards for the score with 9:47 left on the clock. B. J. Ramirez ran in for the 2 pointer and Gorman was up 8-0. The drive featured three runs by Velasquez before scoring.

Then on their third ossession the Panthers took the interception and James Thomas got the score on a 2 yard run with 3:00 left in the clock. The kick failed and the score was 34-12.

On the next possession the Dragons took the ball on their own 32 and scored in 11 plays with Justin Clayton catching a 12 yard pass with 1:15 left in the game. The pass try for point after failed and the final score was 34-18.

Ramirez led the Panthers with 121 yards on 17 tries. Velasquez got 95 on 14 tries. Fox had 18 on 5. Thomas got 18 on 4. Zack Carlton had 1 carry for 2. Flannary would up with no yardage on 4 keepers, but was hurt by 2 losses on pass tries.

The Panthers will host the Perrin-Whitt Pirates in the Homecoming game on Friday night. The Pirates have a highly rated team and should give the Big Red a tough test.

Go Get 'Em Big Red!



Blocking For Runner - Blocking in game action Friday were James Thomas, Louis Limon and Cody Wood.



2010 Gorman Ex-Students Homecoming Please Come - Homecoming, September, 18, 2010

The Classes Of 1960 and 1961 To Hold Reunions!

Other Classes Also To Hold Reunions!

Registration - 9:00 a.m. in New Gym (Coffee and Donuts)

Business Meeting - 10:00 a.m.

Lunch Immediately Following Business Meeting (Sandwiches and Chips)

Call your classmates and encourage them to attend!

Proctor VFD To Hold Fish Fry Fundraiser

Proctor Volunteer Fire Department will be having their 5th Annual Fish Fry Fundraiser, Saturday, September 18, at Proctor Community Center. Serving will begin at 5:30 p.m.

Along with fried catfish, there will be chicken strips, french fries, hush puppies, Cole slaw, red beans, homemade peach cobbler, onion and pickle slices, cherry and jalapeno peppers, fresh lemon wedges, homemade tartar sauce, tea and coffee.

Tickets are on sale now for a chance to win a Winchester 12 gauge Super X3 Composite Autoloader and a 5 burner Kenmore Gas Grill, with a searing side burner, rotisserie, 2 inside halogen lights and cover. Chances are \$10 for 1 or 3 for \$20. They may be purchased in advance from any Proctor Fireman or at the fundraiser. Drawing for these two raffle items will be at 7 p.m. During the fundraiser, winners need not be present to win.

There will be an AUCTION after the drawing and door prizes will be given throughout the the period. The pass try failed evening.

Gorman Livestock Raisers Association Meeting

The GLRA will hold the annual Kick-off meeting on Monday September 20, in mediately following the Jr. High Volleyball game. The game is scheduled to start @ 5:00 p.m. The meeting will be held in the foyer of the new gym. If you plan to show at the Eastland County Livestock show in January please attend this meeting. Fund raising projects for proceeds to buy animals at the county show will be discussed, and you will need to be an active part in these fund raisers.

7th Annual Shin Oak Springs BBQ Cookoff

Results of the Seventh Annual Shin Oak Springs BBQ Cookoff will be in next weeks paper. Thanks

The new Gorman spirit shirts have arrived!! These shirts will sell for \$10.00, and you can currently buy them at Panda's Flowers and Gift Shop. The booster club will also try to put some out in other places around town. The shirts may also be bought from Becky Swanner at the high school, call 254-734-2614 for information on these shirts. Sizes are from youth extra small to adult XXX large, however sizes are limited, so get yours soon and let's all BACK THE GORMAN

ball on the Chico 34 and scored in 7 plays with Velasquez getting the final 2 yards on a run with 11:18 in the second. The pass try for point failed and the score was 14-0. The drive featured runs of 8, 9 and 2 by Ramirez and runs of 4, 4 and 5 by Matt Fox.

The Panthers got the ball on the Chico 39 on their next possession and scored in 6 plays with Ramirez getting the final yard on a run with 6:54 left in the half. Drew Flanary kicked the point after and the score was 21-0. The drive featured runs of 12 by Ramirez, and 10 by Velasquez and a 13 yard pass to Sergio Hipolito.

The Dragons got the ball on their 10 yard line on their next possession and drove the distance in 14 plays with the help of 35 yards of penalties by the Panthers with Victor Velasquez running in from 2 yards out with 1:23 left in the half. The kick try failed and the score was 21-6 in favor of Gorman.

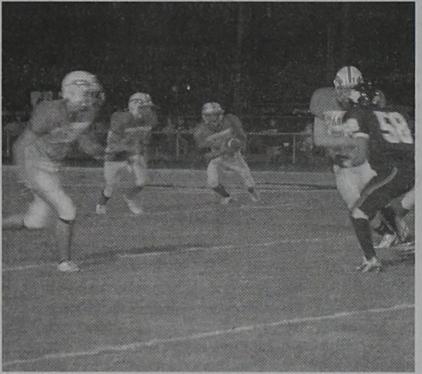
Both bands did very good routines at the intermission and both cheerleader groups performed and did a good job.

The Dragons took the third quarter kickoff on the Gorman 45 and scored in 9 plays with Hunter York getting the final yard with 7:00 left in and the score was 21-12.

The Panthers answered right back with a 62 yard drive in 10 plays with Cody Wood catching a 10 yard Pass from Flannary for the score with 1:41 left in the third. Flannary booted the point after and the score rose to 28-12. The drive featured runs of 4, 4 and 5 by Ramirez.

On the next possession by the Panthers, they took the ball on the Dragon 4 after an

Brandon gaining a few yards - Brandon Velasquez is shown following his block by Matt Fox and and other Panthers.



More Panther Offense - B. J. Ramirez is shown moving around blocks from Cody Wood, Jon Fenley and others on Friday night.



Open Field Tackling - James Thomas is shown making a tackle on a Dragon, helping out is Matt Keith and Zach Carlton.

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

SANDRA CAGLE WILL BE IN GORMAN AT THE CITY OFFICE TO RENEW AUTO LICENSE PLATES. HER NEXT VISIT IS WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 15th FROM 9 TIL NOON.

PANTHERS AND LADY PANTHERS

ATTENTION KIDS AND YOUTH

Our Wednesday Evening Kids & Youth programs will start Wed. Sept. 15th @ First Baptist Church - 218 W Ross Street - Gorman - 254-734-2420. Mission Friends 6:00 - 7:30 P.M. --Ages 3 - Kindergarten - Start Sept. 8th TeamKIDS 6:00 - 7:30 P.M. -- 1st - 6th grade Youth 6:30 - 7:30 P.M. -- 7th - 12th grade

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. Cecil Funderburgh, Master - Kenneth Good, Secretary.

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.

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



Boy Scouts Meeting Weekly Mondays - 6:00 p.m.

Methodist Church

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Pig Tales From Hogtown

Thanks to all who came to the dance last Friday night. We had a great time as usual.

Hope you all received rain at your house. What a welcome relief! We sure could use more, though.

There was a meeting at the Activity Center here in Desdemona last Sunday. It has come to our attention that the city of Gorman may include our town in their plans to up-grade their water system. That would mean Desdemona could have city water. It has not been approved by the Gorman city council yet but we are hoping they will give the go ahead for the plan. The majority of the folks at the meeting on Sunday were in favor of being included. Several of us are going to the council meeting on Thursday evening to support the proposal.

Remember to make plans to come to the DAC for the dance on Friday, Sept. 24 at 7:00 PM.

See you in Desdemona! Carol Pell

Obituary

Mildred Irene Powell

Mildred Irene Powell, age 90 of Midland, formerly of Gorman, passed away Wednesday, September 8, 2010 at a Midland Nursing Home.

Services were held Saturday at the Higginbotham Funeral Home Chapel with Durward Webb officiating. Burial followed at Murray Cemetery.

Mr. Powell was born November 12, 1919 in Eastland County to James Franklin Hays and Ervie Irene (Harris) Hays. She married Louis Elzie Powell on April 2, 1946 in Carbon. He preceded her in death on February 28, 1965. She was a homemaker and a member of the Church of Christ. She was a retired seamstress working in the dry cleaning business as well as sewing and making alterations in her home for the public.

She is survived by one daughter, Paula Rogers of Midland; four grandchildren, Dennis Rogers, Kimberly Hall, Dawn Montanez and Tim Rogers, all of Midland; eleven great grandchildren and one great-great grandchild. She was preceded in death by her parents, one brother, one sister and a grandson, Steven Rogers.



ELBON RYE SEED FOR SALE: Elbon Rye Seed in Bags. 20 Cents Per Pound. Delivery Available. Donald Holder - 254-758 2231. 1tP

Maintenance Position - Universal Blanchers LLC, located in Dublin, Texas, a peanut processing company, is seeking to fill a Maintenance Position. The primary responsibility of this individual would be to perform day-to-day repairs of the process lines, preventative maintenance programs and participate in special projects. The ideal candidate would have good mechanical, electrical and welding skills. Salary will depend upon experience. Full time benefits include health, dental, vision, and life insurance, a 401-K Plan, and vacation. Apply in person at office located 4.5 miles west of Dublin off Hwy 6 & CR 343; Dublin, TX; Monday thru Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. ITC

CARD OF THANKS

The Family of Mary L. Underwood would like to express our Heartfelt Thanks to the people who attended the funeral, sent cards, provided food, sent flowers, served as Pallbearers, called or come by the hosue or expressed your sympathy in any way. It made us realize again what a joy it is to have friends and live in a small community. May God Bless Each and Every One of You.

The Family of Mary Underwood

"On The Wilder Side"

Every once in a while it's good to sit down and go over a personal spending budget. I mean, without a responsible budget a person could go penniless in no time at all. And if you don't have a budget, or haven't followed the budget you came up with, I would encourage you to take some time one day and look over your bank statement to find out exactly how much money you do spend on items you don't really need and may not even want all that much. This comes to mind at this moment because that's what I have done today, I was amazed to find out precisely how much of my monthly income I just throw away on frivolous junk and going out to eat!

No doubt it would be a wise and sobering practice to go through your spending on a monthly basis just to make sure you stay within some sort of reasonable budget. Those bank statements really are a great tool to keep your personal spending in order.

Now imagine if we got a similar statement from God every month, every week, every day that listed all of our sins. What would your Sin Statement look like if it listed every single transgression you commit. Lines filled with thought of jealousy, little white lies that fill our relationships, thoughts that are let's just say less than Christian. No doubt it would be a sobering time for you to closely examine your life and commitment to your Christian race.

No, we don't get Sin Statements in the mail but I would encourage each one of you to take some time out of your busy schedule and consider the sins that fill your life. If you are a Christian, you can put a check mark next to those sins because they have been reconciled, paid for by the blood of Christ. "For if, when we were God's enemies, we were reconciled to him through the death of his Son, how much more, having been reconciled, shall we be saved through his life!" (Romans 5:10).

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

CIA is back at Firstfruits here in Gorman every Monday night at 6:30. We invite everyone ages 6-12 to come join the fun. Come enjoy all the games, music, food, and good times. This Monday Sep. 20 we are having a special Parent Appreciation Night. Along with all the usual fun stuff there will be a Brisket Meal to say thanks and get to know to all the parents. So Mom, Dad, make plans to come to CIA with your kids this Monday. We will see you there. For more info call 734-3203.

Howard Payne University Football





Homecoming Is Right Around The Corner on September 17th!! So Start Thinking About

So Start Thinking Abou Your Mums!!!

NEW This Year 9s Zebra Print Ribbon/11 Also Available Are Gootball Shakers, Cow Bells, Horns, Garters and Spirit Sticks.



Letter To The Editor From Henry A. Buchanan ABOUT SOME PEOPLE LYING TO THE PEOPLE

Roger Clemens was a baseball player. An exceptionally good baseball player. So good that people Suspected him of using performance enhancing drugs. He denied it. Now he goes to tril. If found guilty of lying to Congress, he faces 36 years in a jail cell.

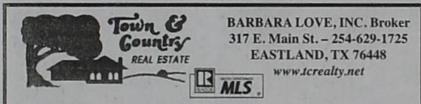
President George W. Bush told the American people that Saddam Hussein had Weapons of Mass Destruction, posed a threat to the United States, and should be overthrown. Vice President Dick Cheney said the same thing more forcefully. Secretary of State Colin Powell even shoed pictures which he claimed proved the charge. Congress believed and asserted the charges and declared war on Iraq. Saddam had no WMD. He was not a threat to us. It was all a lie foisted upon the American people by the President, the Vice President, the Secretary of State and Congress. Now we are trying to get out of the mess we have in Iraq, but nobody is facing a jail term. All the people who told the lie to the American people are living well in their well-pensioned freedom. I don't know whether the ball player lied to Congress. I know Congress lied to us. I don't know what the ball palyer's use of performance enhancing drugs could do to me. I know that the action of Bush, Cheney, Powell and Congress has thrown us into economic disaster, caused the death of 5,000 U.S. soldiers, and caused half the world to hate us. We are no longer secure because we were told a lie, people believed the lie, and we went to war. Saddam was hanged. Now nobody can govern Iraq. Now we can't get out of the war because we won't admit we believed a lie, so we keep telling more lies to shore up the original lie. I don't know what to do with ball players who take PED. Give all the players PED so they will all play better ball? I know wht we ought to do with government officials who tell lies about WMD. Send them to jail for 36 year Hanging's to good for them.



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. Needs fenced area if possible. Call Lonnie at Gorman Progress - 2544734-2410.



IMMEDIATE OPENING: Homestead Nursing & Rehabilitation of Gorman has an opening for Weekend R.N.. For additional information, contact the facility at 254-734-2202. EEOC FNC



11.917 ACRES, M/L - GORMAN - 1 tank, 1 old water well, mostly mesquite and some oak. Excellent place to build. A3

MOTIVATED SELLER - Brick Home on 3.7 ac. - REDUCED - 3 BR, 1 3/4 baths, LR, DR, office, DAG, stg. Bldg. & metal barn w/elec., outbuildings. Excellent location at the edge of Gorman. 03

"EDGE OF GORMAN - 1.3 AC, m/l. Maintenance free Brick 3 BR, 1 3/4 bath, open LR-DR, kitchen area w/bk. bar, Utility, CH/A fenced yard, SACP w/stg. & barn. 06 HUNTING & GRAZING - 257.53 AC. Mostly mesquite, food plots for deer, grazing or hay, tanks, good fences on 2 sides, Nash Creek, rolling terrain A18

CHARM, WARMTH, COMFORT - This 2 BR, 1 bath brick has all of this & more. Large inviting living room, kitchen/dining combo, CH/A, utility w/extras, DACP & cov. porch overlooking the oversized back yard with it's beautiful pecan trees. Call us to make your appointment today! 08

PRODUCTIVE - 160 AC, m/l, N. of Gorman. Coastal, good soil, 2 tanks, water well s & frontage on 2 county roads. A13

STOP & TAKE A LOOK - 2005 DWMH - quiet neighborhood & large trees on half an acre. Comfortable living with spacous LR, 4 BR, 2 baths, a front deck & Nice stg. Bldg. OWNER AGENT 02

INVESTORS - INVESTORS - INVESTORS - Lots of possibilities - 2 story office building & old cafe. C19

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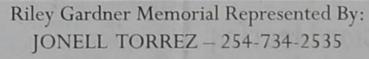
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The second game was against Southwestern Assembly of God University (SAGU), and got started on a warm Saturday evening; however, the game was soon delayed by lightning. As the fans waited the weather got increasingly worse until finally the rain poured down. After about a two hour rain delay, the game resumed and all went well for the Jackets. Tyson brought down 5 pass receptions for 80 yards and scored the first touchdown of the game! Seth again played an excellent game driving toward the quarterback and was in on several tackles. Howard Payne won 32-7 on a late night game ending around 11:30. Tyson and Seth did an excellent job playing, and represent the town of Gorman in a very positive way.

They next play in Alpine against Sul Ross State University on September 18 at 1:00 p.m., then they are back at Gordon Wood Stadium in Brownwood to take on Texas Lutheran University on September 25 at 1:00 p.m.

ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS: Homestead Nursing & Rehabilitation of Gorman are now excepting applications for D.O.N. Please apply in person 600 West Roosevelt in Gorman, Texas FNC



Our Memorial Display Is Now Located Behind Higginbotham's Funeral Home. We Guarantee You Can Buy The FIN-EST QUALITY Memorial At The LOW-EST PRICE. All Work Guaranteed.



COGBURN REALTY

254-893-6666 DE LEON, TX NEW LISTING: 2-1 Frame, window A/C, 50 x 125 lot. Only \$14,900

Rising Star, operating laundromat, washers, dryers, folding tables and seating. Gret investment opportunity. \$27,500.

NEW - 56.01 Acres: Erath Co. N. De Leon, paved frontage, good small acreage recreational place, heavy brush cover, deer, wild turkey and hogs! Over 1/2 mile of creek frontage. *\$2,995 per acre, smaller tracts of 15A or more, \$3,495 per acre.*

NEW - 14.12a Lake Proctor, secluded, join take propert Delec., well, wooded, lots wildlife. \$67,070.00

(s) Henry A. Buchanan 1131 N. Kent St. -- Gorman, TX 76454 254-734-4569 September 8, 2010



WEDDING ANNOUNCEMENTS - \$5.00 OR \$10.00 WITH PICTURE WEDDINGS - \$10.00 MINIMUM NEWS AND ADVERTISING DEADLINE - TUESDAY NOON CARD OF THANKS - \$5.00

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S/E Gorman: 45 A, sandy land, few Pecan trees, 7 water wells, irrigation reservoir, close to pavement. \$2,500 Acc.

S/E Gorman: 60 A, good sandy soil, some coastal, good fences, elec., nice pond site. \$2,800 Acre.

100 A west De Leon FM587, 3 - 1 1/2 - 2 brick, 1444 sq. ft., C/HA, fireplace, carpeted, 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.

179 A. south of Gorman: Part wooded, part old fields, deer & hogs, 2 nice ponds, sandy soil, elec., water well, metal building. \$2,350.00 acre. SELLERS SAYS MAKE OFFER!!

NEW LISTING: 322A. Oak & Elm Trees, 2 creeks, great water shed project! 40 A. Coastal, owner reports 300 round bales/year, 55 A. Cultivatable soils, 6 ponds, water well, 1200' metal Bldg. with slab floor, elec. Deer, turkey, and other wildlife. \$2,300 A.

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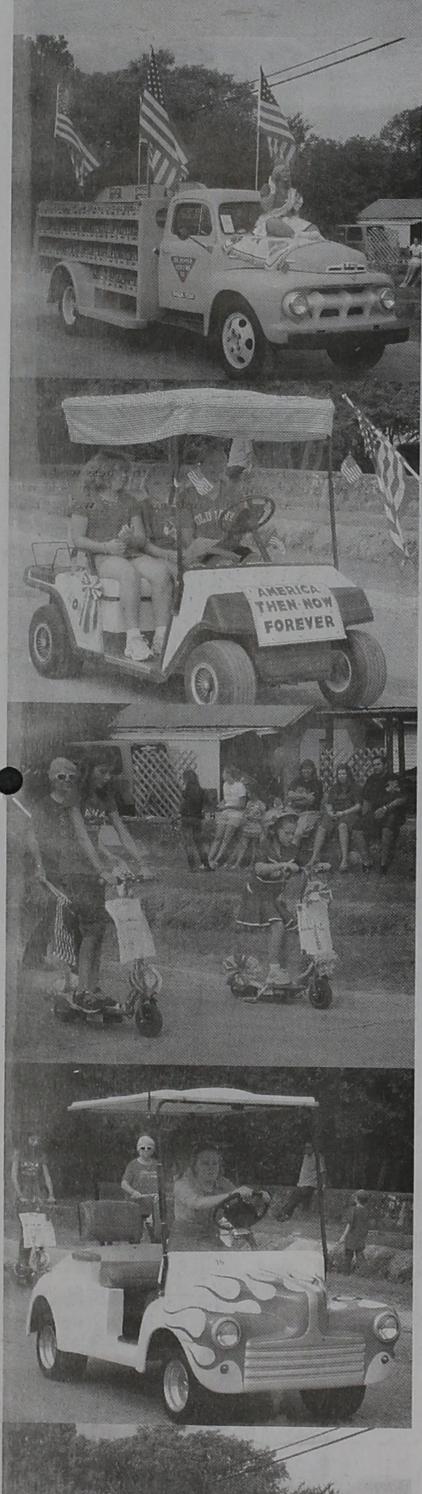


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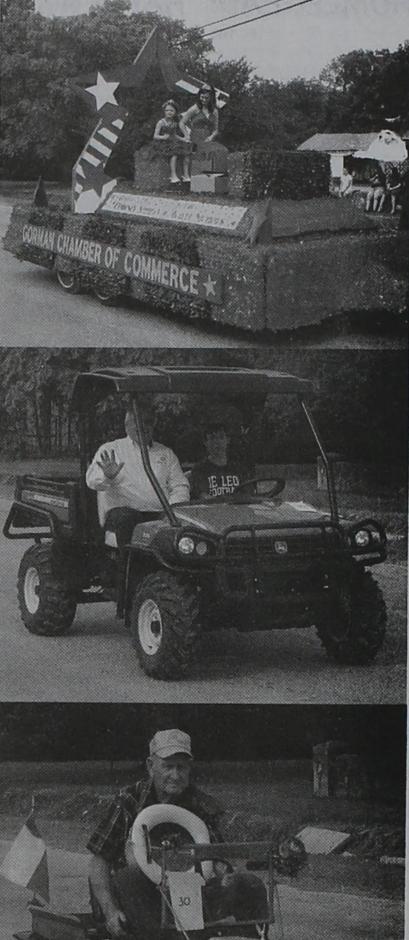


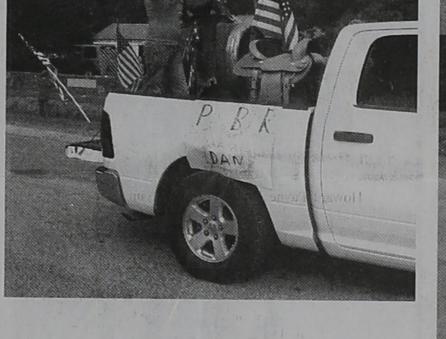






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Notice of Public Hearing on Tax Increase

The ______ County of Eastland ______ will hold two public hearings on a proposal to increase total tax revenues from properties on the tax roll in the preceding tax year by _______. 7.74 _____ percent (percentage by which proposed tax rate exceeds lower of rollback tax rate or effective tax calculated under Chapter 26, Tax Code). Your individual taxes may increase at a greater or lesser rate, or even decrease, depending on the change in the taxable value of your property in relation to the change in taxable value of all other property and the tax rate that is adopted.

The first public hearing will be held on Sept. 7, 2010 3:00 p.m. at 100 W. Main St., Suite 203, Eastland, TX 76448

The second public hearing will be held on Sept. 23, 2010 8:30 a.m at 100 W. Main St., Suite 203, Eastland, TX 76448

The members of the governing body voted on the proposal to consider the tax increase as follows:

FOR: Comms. Wayne Honea, Norman Christian, Thomas Cummings, Reginald Pittman and County Judge Rex Fields AGAINST: PRESENT and not voting:

ABSENT:

The average taxable value of a residence homestead in <u>the County Of Eastland</u> last year was <u>\$32,304</u> (average taxable value of a residence homestead in the taxing unit for the preceding tax year, disregarding residence homestead exemptions available only to disabled persons or persons 65 years of age or older). Based on last year's tax rate of <u>\$0.5500</u> (preceding year's adopted tax rate) per \$100 of taxable value, the amount of taxes imposed last year on the average home was <u>\$177.67</u> (tax on average taxable value of a residence homestead in the taxing unit for the preceding tax year, disregarding residence homestead exemptions available only to disabled persons or persons 65 years of age or older).

The average taxable value of a residence homestead in <u>the County of Eastland</u> this year is <u>\$34,083</u> (average taxable value of a residence homestead in the taxing unit for the current tax year, disregarding residence homestead exemptions available only to disabled persons or persons 65 years of age or older). If the governing body adopts the effective tax rate for this year of <u>\$0.54763</u> per \$100 of taxable value, the amount of taxes imposed this year on the average home would be <u>\$186.65</u> (tax on average taxable value of a residence homestead in the taxing unit for the current tax year, disregarding residence homestead exemptions available only to disabled persons or persons 65 years of age or older).

If the governing body adopts the proposed tax rate of \$0.5900 per \$100 of taxable value, the amount of taxes imposed this year on the average home would be \$201.09 (tax on the average taxable value of a residence homestead in the taxing unit for the current tax year, disregarding residence homestead exemptions available only to disabled persons or persons 65 years of age or older).



Members of the public are encouraged to attend the hearings and express their views.

Special Provisions if Applicable

Criminal Justice Mandate (use for counties, if applicable):

 The
 Eastland
 County Auditor certifies that
 Eastland
 County has spent

 \$_-0 in the previous 12 months beginning
 August 1
 , 2009
 , for the maintenance and operations

 cost of keeping inmates sentenced to the Texas Department of Criminal Justice.
 Eastland
 County

 Sheriff has provided information on these costs, minus the state revenues received for reimbursement of such costs.

Enhanced Indigent Health Care Expenditures (use if applicable):

The <u>County of Eastland</u> spent <u>-0-</u> from <u>August 1, 2009</u> to <u>July 31, 2010</u> on enhanced indigent health care at the increased minimum eligibility standards, less the amount of state assistance. For the current tax year, the amount of increase above last year's enhanced indigent health care expenditures is <u>-0-</u>

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The residents and staff would like to thank the Gorman Peanut Festival for coming by Homestead. The residents lined the side walk on the west side waving their flags as the parade came by. We appreciate those who stopped and preformed for us. One resident was excited that the Dr. Pepper truck stopped and gave him a Dublin Dr. Pepper and he told me he drinked it right then and there and it sure was good. Thanks again everyone.

We greatly appreciate the watermelons and cantaloupes that Don Holder brought us. He had just picked them. Thank Don.

The Anderson family came and sang for us on Wed. Sept. 8 just before lunch. What a great family. Thank you Bro. Barry for bring them to Homestead.

Visiting with Dorothy Beaty were Juanita Spence and Nita Cardinal of Little Elm. Visiting with Jeanne Dorsett were Debbie Robling and Sanda of Abilene, Bobby, Kara, and Jalynn Cox of Gorman. Velda Baze and Amy Wood visited Anna Watson. Billy Self visited Christine Self and Edgar Reynolds. Bro. Barry and Tody and Harold Zink visited everyone. Dale Johnson visited his mother, Faye Johnson. Maxine Huddleston and Raymond Hattox visited Frankie Stacy. Roy Cooper of Canyon Lake visited Lula Schneider. Kenny Welch and Faye Faulk visited Edgar Reynold.

Frank Crews accompanied Christina Crews to the Peanut Festival Sat. afternoon. Visiting Marge and Ralph Hudson were Bud and Sue Ferguson and Mary Gottlieb of Stonewall, Larry Ragland of Andrews, Terri and Joseph Craig of Denver Colorado, Nita Auvenshine, Bill Townley and Jeff Champion of DeLeon, Liz Caraway of Valley Mills, Nelda Mauney, Kelly Mauney, Wilburn Overstreet and Kay Craddock.

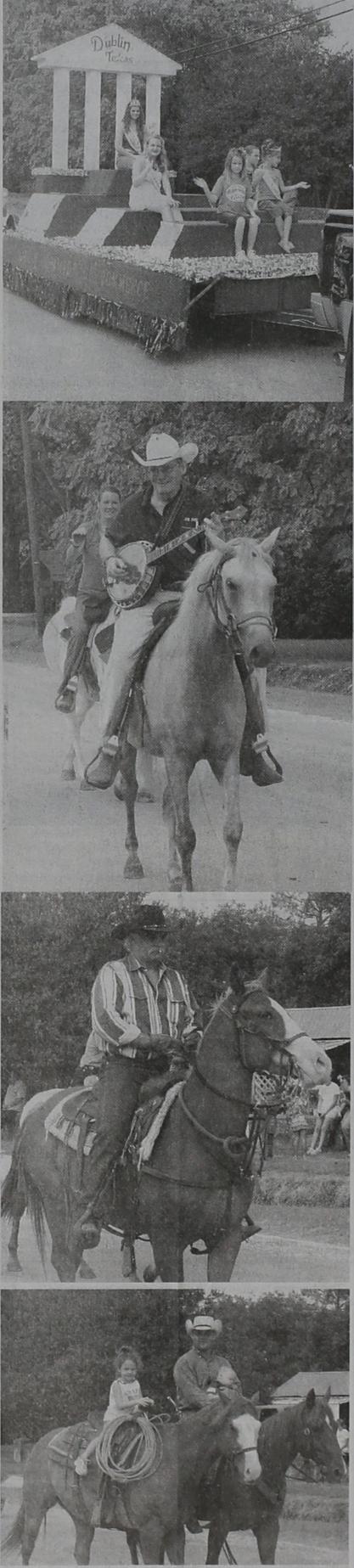
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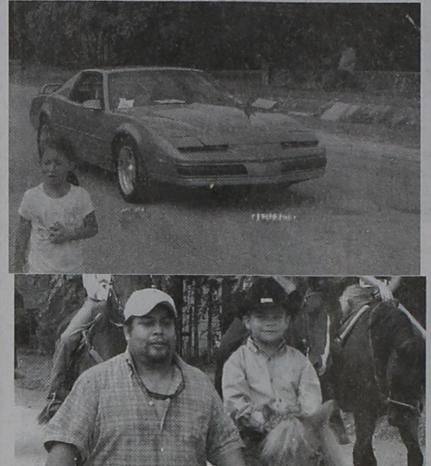
Happenings At FBC!!

Leap! May the joy of the Lord bring you up to your feet. Stand up for Jesus!













Mark your calendars:

Sept. 18th – Beth Moore simulcast at FBC Eastland 9:30am – 4pm cost \$25. Info 254-629-3355.

Sept. 22nd – See You At the Pole! Meet at Flag Pole by GHS old gym at 7:30am.

WEDNESDAYS: Come join us for fun learning about Jesus – TEAMKIDS at 6:00pm, MISSION FRIENDS at 6:00pm, and YOUTH at 6:30am.

Special Presentation: Tribute to the Anniversary of 9/11 and Grandparents Day (9/12) by FBC Youth. Kelly Johnson shared a poem she wrote, and the Youth presented the Grandparents with a card. May we never forget 9/11, all that our Grandparents do, and what Jesus gave on the cross.

Children's Sermon: Traci showed the children a box, and, of course, they all wanted to see what might be in it. Inside was a flashlight; all the children wanted a turn to hold it and shine it. Jesus is the light of the world. Share Jesus and don't hide your light for Him in a box. Let your light shine for others to see. Share! Share! Share!

Bro. Barry's Message: "Color Coded" – Joel 2:11-14 - The Coming Fury The "Day of the Lord" is going to be awesome for some and terrible for others. How would it be perceived and how would people feel if we built a First Baptist Church in downtown Baghdad, Afghanistan, or on the Pakistan border? Like it or not, the Taliban will target Christian, even innocent children, no matter what we do. Our world needs resurgence and restoration. Our world needs Jesus!

It's possible for a person to try to save the world and starve their soul at the same time.

The United States Naval Seals Color Code System is for level of Soldier Readiness!

Condition White: The soldier is relaxed and daydreaming, unaware of his surroundings. A Christian in this condition is easy prey for Satan.

Condition Yellow: The soldier is relaxed physically but alert mentally. A believer at this level may sense trouble coming, but he's not ready to confront it.

Condition Orange: The soldier is physically prepared, mentally alert, and ready to fight. A believer at this stage has on the full armor of God.

Condition Red: As in condition orange, the soldier is ready to fight. The difference is experience. A battle-seasoned Christian knows quickly what to do because of his experience and familiarity with Scripture.

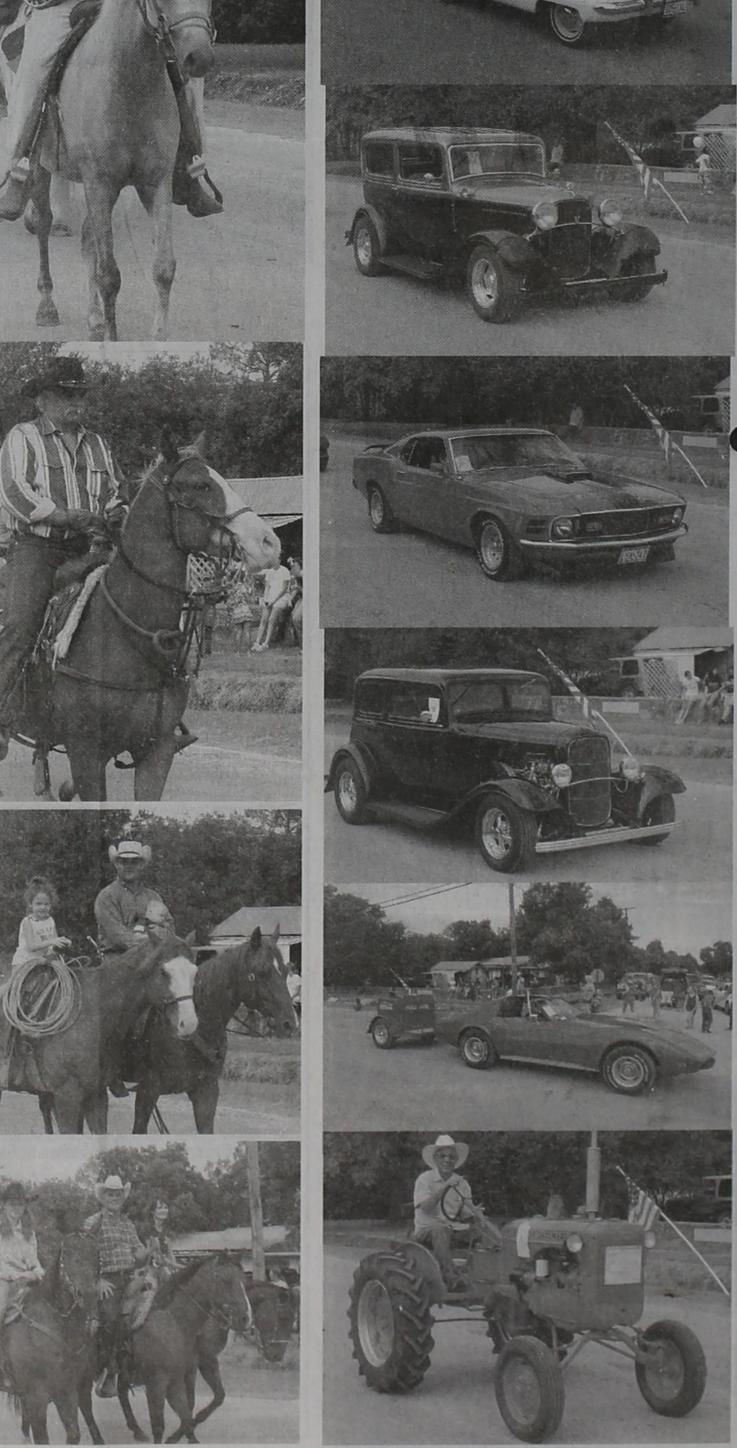
I see Jesus; do you see Jesus? He is everywhere! What color code of readiness is true of you?

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

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Desdemona News By Vonnie Guthery

First Baptist Church of Desdemona had very good attendance on Sunday. Song service was led by Jana Johnson with Karen Fair at the piano. Following the morning service the Church had a "Special" Called Meeting to vote Bro. Charlie Johnson in as the new pastor. Several visitors attended from Brownwood, Fort Worth, De Leon, May and Arlington. Visitors are invited to attend each Sunday at 11:00 a.m. to hear Bro. Charlie deliver Gods' message. Sunday School at 10 a.m.

Ladies Monthly Social was held on Monday at the Community Center (former School Building). Several ladies attended to enjoy the good food served by the hostesses. Next Social will be held on Monday, October 11th at the same location. Visitors are welcome to attend.

Linda Hahn of Arlington visited the past weekend in Desdemona with her sister, Carol Sue Willis. They attended Church on Sunday at First Baptist.

This reporter continues to receive phone calls from former students of Desdemona. Just last week I received a call from my classmate, Jeanette Owens in Artesia, New Mexico. Her brother is having some serious health problems. different types of bacteria, some of which cause illness in people and others Also another call from the Metroplex. It is always good to stay "In-Contact" with so many Ex-Students.

"Happy Birthday" to our grand-daughter, Holly on Sunday, September 19th from Granny Coon and Granke. Visitors with Humpy and Betty Duke during the past weekend were Rodney Duke of Pantego, Ronda James and daughter, Emily of Whitney; Scott and Risa Ashley of Midlothian; Russell and Susan Duke and son, Bram of Houston; Dusty Duke of Desdemona and Elise and Katie Duke of Early.

Take time our from your busy daily schedule to remember the sick and shut-ins of our Community with your cards and prayers.

Thought for Today - "Houses are made of wood and stone - But only "Love" can make a home.

Have A Great Day, Vonnie

Senior Citizens News By Carol Ward

We only had eleven folks out on the 8th of September for our weekly dinner. I do hope attendance picks up soon. We enjoy a larger diversified meal with more people bringing food. There were no games played, as none here. the men always play dominoes in the afternoon. Good to see Henry and Anne Buchanan. He gave the blessing for us all.

We enjoyed having Gaylord Battenfield as our guest. He looks so good and recovered after his fall from horse 3 years ago. Also good to see Ellen Parker again. She has been busy going on trips with the Senior group from Stephenville. Every once in awhile Daisy Slaton and I are tempted to go on a day trip, but most places we have been to, or not interesting to us.

With so many out ill or injured our group remains small. We have missed seeing Wilburn Overstreet, Estelle Lindley, Ruthie Porter, Frank and Beth Shirley and Geraldene Wright. I know Geraldene has been ill but better now. Also have missed Lil Brudnak and the Bushs. Lil is so gay and brightens up our souls with her smiles. I'm sure she helps in Dr. Dans office also.

Our menu was baked pork country ribs, lima beans and ham, green beans, Cole slaw and a delicious hominy salad by Ailene Garrett. Ellen Parker made some good homemade vanilla pudding. Our usual cornbread and biscuits. We only had one cake, thanks to Anne Buchanan. Enough for 11 people. She saved the day.

Daisy Slaton enjoyed the Breakfast at Desdemona on the 4th of September. She sees and visits with many from her work at the Southwestern Peanut. Virginia Halbrook, from our bank drove her home, as there were not too far. Nice of her to offer, as her husband was getting a haircut here. I have not been going, as the chairs are so low, its difficult for me to sit and get up. Daisy was surprised a week ago by a visit from her grandson, Sterling McCauley. He is doing good and living back in San Antonio. He and a friend there offere to take her shopping. What a break to have them there to carry in. Very hard for us to get in after buying. I just take in the cold products and my kids get the rest.

Hope all is well and hope to see more out next week. Carol.

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Food Safety Mythbusters

It is a question more than a few of us have faced. We snag a forgotten container of leftovers from the back of the refrigerator, stick our faces into it, and inhale deeply. "This smells fine, so is it safe to eat?"

September is National Food Safety Education Month, and the Texas AgriLife Extension Service is joining with the non-profit Partnership for Food Safety Education (PFSE) to introduce consumers to "Food Safety Mythbusters".

Storing leftovers is the basis for one of this year's four featured myths. The myths are presented with the facts consumers need to know to help reduce their risk of foodborne illness:

* Myth: Leftovers are safe to eat until they smell bad.

FACT: Most people would not choose to eat spoiled, smelly food. However, if they did, they would not necessarily get sick. This is because there are that do not. The types of bacteria that do cause illness do not affect the taste, smell, or appearance of food. For this reason, it is important to freeze or toss refrigerated leftovers within 3-4 days. If you are unsure of how long your leftovers have been sitting in the refrigerator, do not take the risk - - when in doubt, throw it out!

* Myth: I use bleach and water to sanitize my countertops, and the more bleach I

use the more bacteria I kill.

FACT: There is no advantage to using more bleach. In fact, overuse of bleach can be harmful because it is not safe to consume. To create a sanitizing solution, it is recommended that you use 1 Tablespoon of unscented liquid bleach per gallon of water. Flood the countertop with the solution; allow it to sit for a few minutes; then pat the countertop with clean, dry paper towels, or allow it to air dry. Any leftover sanitizing solution can be stored, tightly covered, for up to one week. After that, the bleach has lost its effectiveness.

* Myth: I do not need to wash my produce if I am going to peel it.

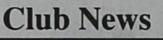
FACT: You should wash fresh fruits and vegetables under running tap water just before eating, cutting, or cooking. Harmful bacteria could be on the outside of the produce. If you peel or cut it without first washing it, the bacteria could be transferre3d to the part you eat. Wash delicate produce such as grapes or lettuce under cool, running water. Blot dry with a clean cloth towel or paper towel. Rub firm-skin fruits and vegetables under running tap water, or scrub them with a clean produce brush. Never use detergent or bleach to wash fresh fruits or vegetables. These products are not intended for consumption.

* Myth: The stand time recommended for microwaveable foods is optional; it is just so you do not burn yourself.

FACT: Stand time is not about cooling the microwave food, but rather is an important part of the cooking process. Stand times are usually just a few minutes, and the time is necessary to bring the food to a safe internal temperature as measured with a food thermometer. To ensure safety with microwave cooking, always read and follow package instructions; know your microwave's wattage; and use a food thermometer to ensure food has reached a safe internal temperature.

For more information on food safety, contact Eastland County Extension Agent, Halee Mitchell at 254/629-2222 or hdmitchell@ag.tamu.edu

Source: Rebecca Dittmar, Program Specialist - Food Protection Management, Texas AgriLife Extension Service, Texas A&M System, September 2010



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Members of the United Daughters of the Confederacy and Sons of Confederate Veterans presented a program on Texas history during the War Between the States to Gorman students in April 2010.

The Major George B. Erath 2679 chapter of the United Daughters of the Confederacy, will meet at 11:00 A.M. at Agave in Stephenville, on Thursday, September 16, 2010. This will be the first meeting of the club year.

Betty Leatherwood, Historian, will show her video of the chapter depicting the growth from the first meeting just over one year ago. The colorful video includes the impressive chartering ceremony with our State Representative, Sid Miller and UDC Texas Division President, Shirley Woodlock participating. This ceremony was held at the Stephenville Museum complex in the Chapel on the Bosque, complete with a cannon fire salute on the lawn by members of the Sons of the Confederacy.

The film includes selections from numerous memorial services in which the UDC has participated this year and shows members participating in the emotional "Black Rose" ceremony. This chapter has participated in parades in Erath, Comanche and Eastland Counties in 2010, including Stephenville's 4th of July Parade.

This chapter chartered August 2009 with 25 members. Two new members have been added since the chartering and the papers of 6 prospective members are currently with the registrar. In addition to Stephenville, members live in Comanche, Hico, Gorman, DeLeon, Eastland, Breckinridge, and Dublin.

To become a member of the UDC, a female, 18 or older, must prove that she is descended from one who fought, aided or abetted the cause of the Confederacy. The registrar of this chapter is always ready to help any interested person document her papers.

The UDC is the oldest patriotic lineage organization in the nation. It was an outgrowth of groups of women who rendered untold service to the South and her people, during the war for independence and continuing during the reconstruction of the South until the present. The objectives of this organization are: Historical, Educational, Benevolent, Memorial, and Patriotic. All work of the Major George B. Erath 2679 fulfills one of these goals.

Regular luncheons are held at 11:00 A.M. at Agave, with program and business meeting to follow. In addition to regular meetings, plans for addition programs that follow the guide lines of the Organization are in the works. They include: Save the Oxford House fund-raiser (Sept. 18 Walmart); By Gone Days on the Bosque (October 9 Stephenville Museum); Military Awards Ceremony (Oct. 24 1:00 American Legion Hall) and an 1860's fashion show (Nov. 13 Rotary Building, Dublin)

Last school year this UDC chapter presented "Texas the Seventh Star", a brief glimpse of Texas' part in the War Between the States, to classes in four public schools in Erath and Eastland Counties. The Sons of Confederate Veterans joined with this chapter in giving students a glance into the lives of their ancestors. This chapter hopes to schedule more history classes in schools this year. Principals and teachers that are interested in such a program may contact the

chapter President, Joyce Whitis at 968-8450.

Anyone interested in becoming a muller of the George B. Erath 2679 chapter is invited to the next meeting on September 16. Visitors, men and women, are welcome anytime.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

The Gorman Housing Authority will hold a **Public** Meeting on Friday, September 17, 2010 at 2:00 p.m. at the Assembly Room of the Hotel (102 S. Fisher) The Annual Plan will be on display, we will be discussing the plan and want to hear your comments on the Plan for 2011. All Documents will be on display at the Office of the Housing Authority.

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Classes of '59 '60 '61 To Hold Reunion

Classes of 1959-1960-1961 will meet for Reunions during School Homecoming Activities on September 16-18. A tentative plan calls for the following activities:

Supper Meal Together at New York Hill Restaurant at Thurber on the 16th.

Attend the Pep Rally at school on the 17th.

Sit together at the Homecoming Game Friday night with visitation afterward at the Community Center.

Attend the Ex-Students Association meeting on Saturday morning at 9:00 a.m. at the high school and tour the new facilities.

This will be the 49th - 50th - 51st years since these classes finished school here. If you were in one of these classes but moved away or didn't graduate, you are still welcome to come and join the activities.

STRAWN 3RD SATURDAY JAMBORED

Strawn 3rd Saturday Jamboree is slated for September 18th at 6 p.m. At the Civic Center in Strawn, 301 E. Housley Street (Highway 16 to downtown, turn East on Hwy. 108 Housley Street, then go two blocks). Concessions open at 5:30. "Concessions proceeds benefit "Home Delivered Meals".

Everyone is invited to come and hear a good lineup of Country, Gospel and Bluegrass Music. Come on Out - You'll be glad you did. Alcohol and Smoke-Free Environment. Free Admission. Everyone Welcome. For information Call Finis Butler at 254-672-5622 or 672-5816.

Come early and visit our Downtown Shops and Restaurants, or visit Lake Tucker Park, 5 miles West of town for walking, hiking and nature trails, bird-watching, or just enjoy the scenery. Tables and Grills available.



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