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Dangerous Wildfire Conditions Possible Throughout State

COLLEGE STATION, Texas — With much of the state covered in parched, brown grass and brush, Texas Forest Service warning residents who live along and west of the I-35 corridor to be prepared for dangerous wildfires this week.

Weather conditions are expected to worsen on Wednesday and Thursday as a low pressure system moves over a dry line hovering over the Western Plains. Wind speeds are expected to pick up and relative humidity levels are expected to drop — two key ingredients for dangerous fire weather.

The Western Plains — an area west of a line extending from Wichita Falls to just east of San Angelo to Del Rio — is a particular hotspot, though wildfire officials warn that all areas west of I-35 are at risk.

"People need to be aware of how critical a situation this is, particularly with vegetation that's so tall and so dry. It's very easy for a fire to start, spread and get out of hand," said Tom Spencer, Texas Forest Service Predictive Services department head.

"If a fire starts accidentally in your neighborhood, be on the alert. If they ask you to evacuate, by all means, do it."

Common in the winter and spring, a dry line separates two different air masses — warm, dry continental air and warm, moist Gulf air. The dry line alone isn't necessarily a cause for concern. Problems can occur, however, when a low pressure system moves over a dry line, which is what's predicted for this week.

Texas Forest Service is pre-positioning aerial resources in Fredericksburg, Abilene and Sweetwater. The airplanes and helicopters are designed to spot flames and drop retardant on them. The agency also utilized two newly-created wildland firefighting task forces based in Abilene and Fredericksburg.

During the last weekend alone, the agency was called to 30 wildfires that charred almost 5,500 acres. The two new firefighting teams responded to three of the worst fires, joining with fellow agency, municipal and volunteer firefighters to help save more than 50 homes as well as the entire City of Tye, which is just west of Abilene.

New Administrator At Homestead Nursing and Rehab



Homestead Nursing and Rehabilitation of Gorman is pleased to announce the appointment of Mr. Tim Thomas as Administrator, effective February 14th. Thomas comes from the Homestead Nursing and Rehabilitation of Baird having served there as Administrator since May of 2010. Mr. Thomas is a retired United Methodist pastor and served churches throughout the Central Texas Conference. His hobbies include woodworking, camping, and helping out Santa Claus during the Christmas season, (which he did for the Gorman Homestead Christmas party last December). "Homestead of Gorman is a great place with a great staff and I am looking forward to leading the provision of care to the residents of this community".

Mr. Thomas is married to Cindy and they have 4 grown children and 3 grandchildren with one more on the way. Homestead is located at 600 West Roosevelt in Gorman. For more information about Homestead Nursing and Rehabilitation or to meet Mr. Thomas please come by or call 254-734-2202 or e-mail, admin.gorman@homesteadltc.com.

It's Not Too Late

Start your New Year Resolution! Join Kickboxing!
Beginners class at 6:00 p.m. On Monday and Wednesday
Starting February 2nd
(You must be 18 years or older)
Regular Class Still At 6:30 on Monday and Wednesday
For Information Call Julie 254-734-2257

Is Your Story Written?

In recent issues of this paper you have been invited (maybe even encouraged) to write your remembrance of January 1, 2006. Please complete your writings and send them in by March 1, 2011 to: JODY FORBUS, CHIEF CARBON VFD
P O BOX 566
CARBON, TX 76435

Thank you for your help -- your support is always appreciated.

ITEMS OF INTEREST

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, Dسدemona, Tx 76445 or to American State Bank, Gorman, Texas 76454

Congratulations to Lady Panthers and Panthers For Making District Playoffs

Congratulations to the Gorman Panthers and Lady Panthers for making the District Playoffs. The Panthers will be having a Practice Game on Friday at 6 p.m. In Gorman against Richland Springs. The Playoff game is still To Be Announced at press time.

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.

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.

WITH MANY THANKS

Thank you for your love and support during the loss of our loved one. We appreciate the kind words, food, cards, flowers, calls, and your prayers. Thank you to the women of the First Baptist Church for the wonderful meal for our family.

A special thank you to Nowlin-Anders Funeral Home and Jackie Auvenshine for a beautiful service.

We feel blessed to be a part of such a wonderful community and we thank you all for your support during this time. We appreciate everyone who helped make this time so special to honor our dad, Wallace Cook.

Kelli and Kent Styron
Karla and Todd Swearingin

Tarleton State University Releases Distinguished Students' List

STEPHENVILLE, TX (02/11/2011)(readMedia)-- Tarleton State University has released the Distinguished Students list for the fall 2010 semester. Students on the list include freshman and sophomore students who have a minimum 3.25 grade point ratio (GPR) and no grade lower than a 'C,' and juniors and seniors who have a minimum 3.5 GPR with no grade lower than a 'C.' All must be in good standing with the university.

Students making the list include the following:
Heidi Britain of De Leon, is enrolled at Tarleton's Stephenville campus and majoring in Animal Production.
Brittini Brown of De Leon, is enrolled at Tarleton's Stephenville campus and majoring in Ag Services and Development.
Joshua Draeger of De Leon, is enrolled at Tarleton's Stephenville campus and majoring in Hydrology.
Jonathan Flores of Gorman, is enrolled at Tarleton's Stephenville campus and majoring in Kinesiology.
Yhdira Garcia of De Leon, is enrolled at Tarleton's Stephenville campus and majoring in Marketing.
Scott Jordan of De Leon, is enrolled at Tarleton's Stephenville campus and majoring in Ag Services and Development.
Whitney McDonald of De Leon, is enrolled at Tarleton's Stephenville campus and majoring in Interdisciplinary Studies.
Brittany Shirley of Dسدemona, is enrolled at Tarleton's Stephenville campus and majoring in Human Science.
Chance Singleton of De Leon, is enrolled at Tarleton's Stephenville campus and majoring in Undecided.
Monty Stewart of De Leon, is enrolled at Tarleton's Stephenville campus and majoring in Agricultural Economics.
Marisa Vargas of De Leon, is enrolled at Tarleton's Stephenville campus and majoring in Accounting.

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

First United Methodist Church To Hold Bible Study

The Gorman First United Methodist Church is having Bible Study on Wednesday nights at 6 p.m., starting February 16th. Everyone is Welcome - Not Too Late to Join!!! We will be studying - "RESPECTABLE SINS"

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 OFFICE TO RENEW AUTO LICENSE PLATES. HER NEXT VISIT IS WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 16th FROM 9 TIL NOON.

City of Gorman General Election To 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.

All-Star Rosters Announced For 2011 FCA All-Star Classic

The 139 athletes and cheerleaders who will make up the all-star class for the 12th Annual Fellowship of Christian Athletes Myrle Greathouse All-Star Classic was announced Sunday.

The 2011 All-Star Classic, a basketball-football double-header, is scheduled for Saturday, June 4. The girls basketball game at Abilene Christian University's Moody Coliseum will tip off at noon followed by the football game at 7 p.m. at Shotwell Stadium. All proceeds benefit the Big Country Chapter of the FCA.

On Sunday, 115 players, 24 cheerleaders and the coaching staffs were introduced to the media and then attended orientation meetings with organizers and coaches.

All participants will be honored again at the All-Star Classic "Sharing the Victory" Banquet on April 17 at the Abilene Civic Center. Teams, cheerleaders and coaches report for two-a-day practices in Abilene on Wednesday, June 1. Information about the Big Country Chapter of the FCA can also be found at www.bigcountryfca.org

PLAYERS LISTED BELOW:

2011 ALL-STARS - NORTH FOOTBALL

Anthony Carriola - Abilene High School - 5-7-200 LB
Chris Horton - Abilene High School - 6'2" - 205 ILB
Josh Jones - Abilene High School - 5-10 - 195 OLB
Christian Valero - Abilene High School - 5-9 - 150 Kicker
Aaron Faith - Albany High School - 6' - 170 RB/SEC
Jonathan Hargrave - Albany High School - 5-10 - 205 OL/DL
Heston Heller - Anson High School - 6-1 - 185 LB/TE
Cody Smith - Baird High School - 5-11 - 175 RB/LB
Devante Lloyd - Big Spring High School - 6-2 - 215 DE
Jackson Watkins - Big Spring High School - 6-2 - 270 Guard
Joe King - Breckenridge High School - 6-1 - 210 LB / OL
Jake King - Breckenridge High School - 6-1 - 285 OL/DL
KP Preston - Cisco High School - 6-1 - 285 OL/DL
Landon Liles - Clyde High School - 6-2 - 175 FS, LB, QB
Danny White - Clyde High School - 6-1 - 265 OG, OT, TE, DT
Josh Castilaw - Coahoma High School - 6' - 220 - Center/DL
JC Johnson - Colorado City High School - 6' - 180 - LB, WR
Russell Williams - Eastland High School - 6-3 - 260 DE/DL/TE
Kolten Self - Forsan High School - 5-10 - 155 - WR, DB
Corey Groves - Graham High School - 5-10 - 170 - WR
David Guinn - Graham High School - 6-2 - 215 - LB
Tyler Ryan - Graham High School - 6-2 - 215 - DE / OLB
Tyler Lucas - Hamlin High School - 5-9 - 170 - QB
Branson Ponder - Hamlin High School - 5-8 - 150 - WR/DB
Christian Myers - Haskell High School - 5-8 - 157 - Option QB/ Safety
William Brosh - Hawley High School - 6-3 - 210 - WR
Robert Jackson - Merkel High School - 5-8 - 180 - RB/LB
Jade Brown - Munday High School - 6-2 - 235 - OT
Kylar Urbanczyk - Munday High School - 5-11 - 175 - LB/RB
Cord Barrientes - Olney High School - 5-10 - 165 - Slot Receiver, ILB
T.J. Ewing - Ranger High School - 6-3 - 215 - QB
Cody Green - Roby High School - 5-8 - 150 - Corner/ RB
Caden Smith - Roscoe High School - 6-3 - 240 - QB and OLB
David Reese - Rotan high school - 5-9 - 175 - RB - LB
Jimmy Holt - Snyder High school - 6' - 200 - TE / LB
Xavier Malone - Snyder High School - 6-1 - 180 - RB or Receiver/ DB
Shade Roemisch - Snyder High School - 5-9 - 155 - Free Safety, Receiver
Mickey Villanueva - Stamford High School - 6-1 - 190 - LB/slot receiver
Jaime West - Stamford High School - 5-7 - 145 - OL/RB
Austin Melvin - Stephenville High School - 6-1 - 225 - OT / DE
Nicolas Perez - Stephenville High School - 6-4 - 265 - OG
Kody Travis - Stephenville High School - 6'3 - 235 - OT / DE
DJ VandenBerge - Stephenville High School - 6-3 - 265 - CENTER
Connor Stafford - Sweetwater High School - 6-1 - 195 - TE /WR

NORTH FOOTBALL COACHES

Quinn Conley - Baird David Ritchey - Clyde
Dustin Altmiller - Rotan Kenny Davidson - Graham
Kent Colley - Haskell

2011 ALL-STARS - NORTH BASKETBALL

Mikayla Zonker - Abilene High School - 5-6 - Point Guard
Hailey Owen - Albany High School - 5-6 - Point Guard
Alex Neal - Baird High School - 5-9 - Guard/Forward
Taylor Benson - Cisco High School - 6 - Post/Wing
Bre Riggins - Clyde High School - 6-1 - Post
Sadie Dickinson - Graham High School - 5-10 - Post
Jaylen Rodgers - Hamlin High School - 5-8 - Point Guard
Ashlee Short - Haskell High School - 5-10 - Post
Kelsea Green - Merkel High School - 5-7 - Wing
Lara Williams - Roby High School - 5-8 - Forward
Alex Huckabee - Stephenville High School - 5-7 - Guard/Wing
Gabby Lazerine - Stephenville High School - 5-9 - post
Zakia Winegeart - Strawn High School - 5-7 - Guard

NORTH BASKETBALL COACHES

Brent Palmer, Abilene High Alan Thorpe, Stephenville

2011 ALL-STARS - SOUTH FOOTBALL

AJ Keesee - Ballinger High School - 5-11 - 160 - QB
Dominick Nieto - Ballinger High School - 5-10 - 235 - RB/LB
Jarrett Anderson - Bangs High School - 6-2 - 260 - OL / DL
Quenton Sprowls - Bangs High School - 6 - 160 - Rec / Corner
Chaney McBee - Brady High School - 6-2 - 180 - DB/QB/Rec
Kerwin Rawls - Bronte High School - 6-1 - 170 - WR/DB
Graylon Brown - Brownwood High School - 5-10 - 175 - QB
Luke Chastain - Brownwood High School - 6-1 - 175 - WR/safety
Caden Ellis - Brownwood High School - 5-10 - 180 - LB
Derek Longoria - Brownwood High School - 6-2 - 210 - DB/RB
Mat Newton - Brownwood High School - 6-3 - 260 - OL

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Obituary

Lucille Broom

Lucille Broom, age 88 of Midlothian, formerly of Gorman, passed away Saturday, February 12, 2011 in a Mansfield hospital.

Services were at 2:00 P. M. Wednesday in the Higginbotham Funeral Home Chapel with Jack Clack officiating. Interment was at Oakland Cemetery.

Lucille was born May 16, 1922 in Eastland County to Charley D. Blackshear and Izetta Mae Mason Blackshear. She married Tommy Lee Broom on August 31, 1940 in Carbon, Texas. He preceded her in death on October 26, 2007. She was a licensed vocational nurse and worked at the old Blackwell Hospital as well as the new hospital for more than 40 years. She also worked for several years for Dr. Pino in DeLeon. She was a member of the Baptist Church.

She is survived by a daughter Burma Lucille (Broom) Brummitt and husband, Robert Bruce of Midlothian; daughter-in-law, Janie Broom of Gorman; adopted daughters, Deborah Nelson and husband, Jim, Paula Maness and husband, Bill and Diane Burton; grandchildren, Kimberly Broom Laube and Toni Evans Ervin; step grandchildren, Sammie Mauney, David Pettitt, Eddie Pettitt, Randy Anderson, Jennifer Cypher, Elizabeth Cypher, Patrick Cypher, Brett Brummitt and Gina Lindbloom and nine great grandchildren; one brother, James Lee Blackshear. She was preceded in death by her son, Tommy Wayne Broom on October 4, 2008, two brothers, Jack Blackshear and Robert Blackshear and two sisters, Bonnie Witt and Peggy Minnick.



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 - 254-734-2410.

REPRESENTATIVE KEFFER TO CHAIR HOUSE ENERGY COMMITTEE Appointed to Redistricting, Natural Resources, and Calendars

Austin--February 11, 2011-- Texas House Speaker Joe Straus announced the re-appointment of Representative Jim Keffer as chair of the House Committee on Energy Resources.

The Energy Resources Committee has jurisdiction over the production, regulation, transportation and development of oil, gas and other energy resources; energy efficiency and the development of alternative energy sources; and oversight of pipelines, pipeline companies and all others operating as common carriers in the state.

Keffer's other assignments include the Natural Resources Committee and the Redistricting Committee. Additionally, Keffer was appointed to the House Committee on Calendars, the committee that determines the legislation that will be placed before the Texas House for consideration.

"I am pleased to re-appoint Rep. Keffer as Chair of the House Committee on Energy Resources," said Speaker Joe Straus. "I know that Jim will serve our body well in this role, while adding his experience and talent to the House Committees on Natural Resources, Redistricting, and Calendars."

"I am honored that Speaker Straus has entrusted me with such important assignments," said Rep. Keffer. "The oil and gas industry continues to play a vital role in our state economy, and water is fundamental to the growth of our region. My goal on Calendars is to ensure we pass a legislative agenda that is good for families and good for taxpayer's pocketbooks. As we engage in the process of redistricting, I will make sure the citizens of District 60 will continue to have their voices heard in Austin."

Rep. Jim Keffer represents House District 60 which encompasses Brown, Eastland, Hood, Palo Pinto, Shackelford, and Stephens counties.

"On The Wilder Side"

I've had the chance to live in big cities and small towns. And with each move comes the new challenge to re-learn how to drive. You know good and well that driving in Gorman isn't the same as driving in Dallas. At one time in my life I was very accustomed to fast paced high traffic driving and even took pleasure in dodging in and out of slow moving cars. My truck had two speeds: on and off. But now... now that I've gotten accustomed to driving in Gorman I detest driving in Dallas. Driving in Gorman is easy and slow paced. In Gorman, driving behind a slow moving tractor is considered a traffic jam! Since this is what I'm now used to, I cringe every time I have to drive in Dallas. I nervously get in one lane and stay there if I can and grip the steering wheel so hard my knuckles turn white. That's just the opposite of the calm, relaxed traffic-ready driver I used to be.

I'm convinced that we experience something very similar with sin in our lives. At first, if we aren't accustomed to sin "X" and feel out of place every time we commit sin "X". But the more we dance with that sin, the better dance partners we become and we aren't so nervous around it. This is true for all sins. It is not until you leave sin "X" and are reintroduced to it that you realize how bombarded you were by it, and how disgusting it seems to you now.

Another analogy would be smoking. The first time you smoke, you quickly realize that the human body wasn't made to inhale such toxins. But the more you smoke, the easier it gets until you don't think much of it. But once you quit, and are around other smokers, you realize how awful the smell is and wonder why you put up with it for so long. I hope you are able to stay away from all the sins you've kicked along the way and keep fighting to get away from the ones you still commit.

Jesus gave it all, and so should we... that's all.

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

Gorman Church of Christ Meeting Times

- Sunday Morning Bible Class - 10:00
- Sunday Morning Worship - 10:45
- Sunday Evening Worship - 6:00
- Wednesday Evening Class - 7:00

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3 + Acre, 3 - 2 3/4 - 2 brick, central A/C, 2375 sf, den + lg. game room, nice carpet, metal roof, water well, 20 x 40 shop, secluded, lots of Post Oaks! \$119,500.
9+ Acres, n/w Gorman: Beautiful landscaping, remodeled 2-story ranch style 3 - 2 home, 1700 sf, metal roof, carport, 30x50 metal shop, several wells, lots of trees. Nice! \$149,500.00
S/E Gorman: 45 A, sandy land, few Pecan trees, 7 water wells, irrigation reservoir, close to pavement. \$2,500 Acre.
Near Gorman, 60 A m/l, 2-1 frame farmhouse, new windows/front door, new metal roof, 2 ponds, fenced, some Coastal, partly wooded, small barn/corral, water well, 2 car carport/storage. \$215,000
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.
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BREAKFAST
MONDAY - Cereal, Biscuits, Juice and Milk.
TUESDAY - French Toast, Fruit, Juice and Milk.
WEDNESDAY - Cheese Toast, Hash Brown, juice and Milk.
THURSDAY - Breakfast Burrito, Juice and Milk.
FRIDAY - Bacon, Egg, Biscuits, juice and Milk
LUNCH
MONDAY - Baked Ham or Corn Dog, macroni and cheese, blackeyed peas, oranges, bread slices and milk.
TUESDAY - Pork Chop, Chicken Legs, cheese potatoes, broccoli, roll, strawberry cake and milk.
WEDNESDAY - Chicken and rice or pigs in a blanket, carrot coins, tossed salad, fruit and Milk.
THURSDAY - Chicken Spaghetti or Ravioli, cheese sticks, corn, green beans, bread stick, fruit and Milk.
FRIDAY - Chili Dogs or Toasted Ham and Cheese, baked beans, french fries, ice cream and Milk.

A Letter To The Editor By Henry A. Buchanan

Raymond Davis could be the man who will start the war between the United States and Pakistan. Who is Raymond Davis? Amd why would we fight over him?

Davis is the American who shot two Pakistanis and the Pakistani crowd is yelling "Hang Raymond Davis!" And America frowns on hanging an American just because he shot a couple of Pakistanis. We have been killing Pakistanis for years and nobody has suggested hanging.

Davis claims diplomatic immunity which is supposed to put him above the law. He also claims self-defense which makes it legal to shoot men trying to "hold up and rob" a man. That's the way it is here anyway.

But Davis was in Pakistan. Driving alone. And he has no American witness to his claim of self-defense. Sec. State Hillary Clinton has not told us what "diplomatic mission" Davis was carrying out in Pakistan.

So Davis may dangle at the end of a Pakistani rope and it may be necessary for us to avenge his death by going to war with Pakistan. It is acceptable to throw old shoes at an American President -- George W. Bush -- But hanging is not acceptable, except in Saddam's case.

So be prepared for the next war. America's holocaust. If you have any doubt about those people in that part of the world getting upset and getting results, ask Mubarak.

Henry A. Buchanan
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20 ACRES, M/L, GORMAN - Good coastal & native grasses, 1 tank & partially fenced. Will Be surveyed out of a larger tract. Could be very productive. A2

BETTER BELIEVE IT - There's plenty of room & privacy for the lover of country living on this 2 AC, m/FL. 3 BR, 2 bath brick-LR w/FP, DR & den. Outside is a deck w/ jacuzzi, a tank, 3 stg. bldgs. & lg. metal barn 2/2 heated & cooled rooms. Call today & enjoy the fresh air & Wide open spaces! HA2

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 & frontage on 2 county roads. A13

STOP & TAKE A LOOK - 2005 DWMH - quiet neighborhood & large trees on half an acre. Comfortable living with 3 BR, 2 bath, a front deck & Nice stg. Bldg. OWNER INVEST 02

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

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- Russell Joy - Mason
- David Sine - Sonora
- Charlie Bunch - Gorman
- Aaron Keesee - Ballinger
- Jeryl Brixey - Comanche

2011 ALL-STARS -SOUTH BASKETBALL

- McKenzi Matschek - Ballinger High School - 5-3 - Point Guard
- Danielle Denbow - Bangs High School - 5-7 - G/P
- Hillary Evans - Bangs High School - 5-8 - guard
- Trinity Ansons - Brownwood High School - 5-11 - Center
- Brooke Stewart - Comanche High School - 5-8 - Guard
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SOUTH BASKETBALL COACHES

- Heather Hohertz, Brownwood
- Billy Whyburn, Irion County

2011 ALL-STARS -SOUTH CHEERLEADERS

- Maggie Hogan - Ballinger High School
- Kelsey Lott - Ballinger High School
- Kirstin Reichenau - Bangs High School
- Jenn Moran - Brady High School
- Kelsey Sedden - Bronte High School
- Jordan Cavitt - Brownwood High School
- Shi Brudney - Coleman High School
- Dylan Buzzard - Coleman High School
- Delany Ames - Cross Plains High School
- Bailey Rome - Early High School
- Kylee Sartin - Jim Ned High School
- Lauren Weir - Jim Ned High School
- Monica Sherman - Wylie High School
- Kenzi Wilson - Wylie High School

2011 ALL-STARS -NORTH CHEERLEADERS

- Samantha Gomez - Abilene High School
- Jamie Fuentes - Albany High School
- Mackenzie Keller - Baird High School
- Kelsey Wilcox - Breckenridge High School
- Jayton Gordon - Clyde High School
- Bailey Fillmon - Haskell High School
- Lindsey Williams - Roscoe High School
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- Jordan Sorrells - Stamford High School
- Kensie Colegrove - Stephenville High School

CONSUMER

Paper or Plastic – How About Neither?

NewsUSA

(NU) - "Paper or plastic?" That is the major question that shoppers usually face as they check out at the supermarket. However, both options take a major toll on the environment. It's estimated that somewhere between 500 billion and a trillion plastic bags are used each year throughout the world - many of them winding up in landfills, where it can take hundreds or thousands of years for them to decompose. And about 14 million trees are cut down each year to make paper grocery bags.



Durable, reusable, insulated grocery totes are a greener way to carry your groceries.

Increasingly, both by personal choice and by law, consumers worldwide are moving away from using paper or plastic bags. And they're choosing reusable grocery bags as a convenient and environmentally friendly option.

California Innovations has leveraged their knowledge of insulated technology to develop a quality line of durable, reusable grocery totes. Their 45 Can Freezer Tote features high-density thermal insulation plus Thermo-Flect Radiant Barrier, so groceries stay cold for hours. The interior is easy to wipe clean and has Microban, which helps protect the lining from bacteria that cause odors and stains. All of these grocery totes carry the Ultra Safe designation, which

means that the interior of the bags is PVC free and lead and phthalate safe.

California Innovations' innovative grocery totes help protect the environment because they can be used over and over - unlike both paper and plastic bags, which are often used once and discarded. Aside from the environmental benefits, reusable tote bags are far more durable, carry more groceries, and can easily double as a beach or picnic tote.

Practical, environmentally friendly and insulated to keep food cold - seems like an easy choice for consumers.

To see more reusable grocery bags, coolers and lunch bags, go to www.californiainnovations.com.

Aaaah! Now this is what winter should be like! Isn't it nice to be able to go outside again!

We didn't have a big turnout for the annual general meeting of the DAC - but those who came really showed their support for the activity center. We had folks volunteer to serve on the board of directors and so we have a great new board! Keep reading Pig Tales for all the wonderful ideas that they will come up with. The Desdemona Activity Center is a venue for the entire community and surrounding areas - come and get involved. We have a great time here!

The second Friday dance crowd was a little lighter last week but there were other Valentine's dances going on in the area. We are looking forward to having everyone back on February 25th for the fourth Friday dance. We have 2 great bands that play each month. The cost of admission is a \$5.00 donation.

April 16th will be here before you know it and we are getting ready for our spring craft show. Letters have been sent to many vendors and several have responded already. If you or someone you know is a crafter and would like to take part in our show, call me at 254-758-2420.

See you in Desdemona!
Carol Pell

NOTICE OF HEARING IN FRONT OF BUILDING AND STANDARDS COMMISSION

- (1) Name of Owner, occupant and other persons interested in the Property: Jason Pierce, owner of the Property; Colonnade at Polo Park Venture, Judgment lien holder American State Bank, Judgment lien holder
- (2) The street address or legal description of the Property: Building located at 109 S. Kent Street, Gorman, Texas (N 16 2/3 of S/2, 2 Blk 8, SE Pt 1 & N/2 2 Blk 8, S 8 1/3 2 N/2 3 Blk 8)
- (3) A general description of the improvements: Two story commercial building that has been extensively damaged by fire.
- (4) A list of defects on the Property: The two story commercial building has been extensively damaged by fire and is a dangerous and uninhabitable building as defined by Ordinance No. 302.2 (the "Ordinance") and constitutes a danger to life, safety or the general health of the occupants of the building and/or the citizens of Gorman. Gorman, Texas.
- (5) A brief statement of the action to be considered by the Commission: Consider whether the Property is in violation of the Ordinance, order abatement or removal of the building and debris located on the Property, determine the amount of civil penalties for the violation, and consider other lawful orders authorized by the Ordinance.
- (6) Hearing Date and Place: February 21, 2011, 5:30 p.m., Gorman City Hall, City Council Chambers, 116 South Kent Street, Gorman, Texas

Tacy Warren,
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- (1) Name of Owner, occupant and other persons interested in the Property: Frank Willis Estate Sean Michael Willis
- (2) The street address or legal description of the Property: Building located at 516 W Lexington, Gorman, Texas (JC Nall AB 1614/HWY 8)
- (3) A general description of the improvements: Vacant housing unit with other buildings and vehicles left on property.
- (4) A list of defects on the Property: The house is sitting vacant with broken glass, high weeds and old vehicles sitting in area and has been deemed a dangerous building as defined by Ordinance No. 302.2 (the "Ordinance") and constitutes a danger to life, safety or the general health of the occupants of the building and/or the citizens of Gorman. Gorman, Texas.
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Desdemona News

By Vonnie Guthery

First Baptist Church of Desdemona continues to have good attendance. Visitors last Sunday were two students from Tarleton State University in Stephenville and some from Gorman. A "new" Young Adult Sunday School Class will begin this coming Sunday. We are happy to report the "Youth" group meets every Wednesday night for Bible Study and Fellowship. Brittany Shirley is doing a great job as leader of this group. Bro. Charlie Johnson, his wife, Jana and all the members invites visitors to attend at 10:00 a.m. For Sunday School and 11:00 a.m. For the Morning Service.

Robert Alton Brown of Fort Worth spent the past weekend with his parents, Robert and Ima Brown. He was busy fixing water lines that froze during the recent Cold Weather.

There is a lot of sickness in our area at this time. Several has Colds, Bronchitis and the Flu Bug. Pug and Vonnie Guthery enjoyed Valentine's Day Dinner with their sister, Avie Taylor in De Leon.

Desdemona Volunteer Fire Department answered a call on Sunday afternoon to a grass fire northeast of town. Our Community appreciates the men and women that serve on the local Fire Department.

Texas Weather? It Comes and Goes -- But On This Monday Morning The Weather Is Great. Plenty of Sunshine, etc.

Katie Duke of Early visited the past weekend with her grandparents, Humpty and Betty Duke.

Please contact this reporter with your weekly news. Your help will be appreciated. Thanks and have a great day, Vonnie Rue.

Happenings At FBC!!

Hearts! Flowers! Chocolate! They make us think of Valentine's Day and Love. May we never celebrate love without giving thanks for the greatest love of all God's Love!!!

Mark your calendars:

Feb. 26th - 2pm - Deacon's Valentine Banquet..

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 asked the children what holiday we would celebrate tomorrow (Feb. 14th), and Raney so cutely said, "Halloween!" Well, we would celebrate Valentine's Day; and Traci so sweetly suggested that all the men would want to call the florist and order flowers for their Valentine. The Bible tells us of the truest and best love in John 3:16. God gave His only begotten son so we all may believe, be saved, and have everlasting life. Always remember, God's love is the best and Jesus loves you!

Bro. Barry's Message: "From Top to Bottom" - Mark 15:37-39 - Imagine in your mind the beautiful curtain hanging in the sanctuary of the Temple. This curtain was made with real gold, and behind this curtain was the Holy of Holy, the Arc of the Covenant. The Bible tells us that when Jesus breathed His last the curtain was torn from top to bottom. The Bible also tells us that the Roman Officer/Centurion who was eye witness and saw every moment of Jesus being crucified exclaimed, "This man truly was the Son of God!" The significance of the curtain being torn from the top to the bottom was that only God could do it, not man.

Face it, we all think we have bad days. How does your bad day compare to the day Jesus had? Jesus took his three best friends to the Garden to pray with Him and they could not stay awake. Jesus was deserted by His own disciples. Jesus was ridiculed, blind folded, beaten, and hung on a cross. Jesus did this willingly!!!

1. An Exclamation - Jesus is truly the Son of God! The curtain was torn from top to bottom to reveal Jesus had paid it all, no more sacrifices to be made in the Temple

2. A Declaration. - Jesus said, "I am" in Mark 14:62. The Roman Officer/Centurion was the first person converted and saved the moment after Jesus died.

3. The Identification. - The Son of God is the answer. Identify yourself as a believer in Christ.

Take your plate, everything that is on it and put it all on God's platter; He can handle it!

If you are here, in Church, you're either Christian or you are checking it out. 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

Senior Citizens News

By Carol Ward

Did not have a meeting last week. Hope to see everyone on Wednesday, Feb. 16 at noon.

Hope all is well and see you soon, Carol

RECREATION

Deep Sea Fishing Offers Unforgettable Fun

NewsUSA

(NU) - For a truly unique vacation experience, try deep sea fishing in one of the world's best areas for the sport - Costa Rica. Costa Rica offers one of the healthiest fisheries in the world, where 20-fish days are not uncommon, and fish simply don't come in small sizes. Los Sueños Marina, which is home to an extensive charter fleet certified by the Costa Rican Ministry of Tourism, reports that dorado average 40 pounds, and yellowfin tuna often push past the 300-pound mark. Other fish, including wahoo, roosterfish and snapper, as well as sailfish and marlin, also call the coast of Costa Rica home.

The good fishing might explain Costa Rica's ranking as one of the happiest places on earth. Vacations and sportfishing at Los Sueños Resort and Marina can be accommodated by Stay In Costa Rica (www.stayincostarica.com), a tourism group that has 10 years planning fishing charters with boats ranging from 25 feet to 65 feet. Want in on the action? Stay In Costa Rica offers the following tips for first-timers:

- **Look for an experienced deep sea fishing charter.** A qualified deep sea fishing boat will take you to the best fishing spots and provide the correct bait for the fish that you want to catch. Fishing licenses are required and cost \$25 per year. All good boats practice catch and release on all bill fish to ensure good fishing to the future generations. There are restaurants that will cook your



Try deep sea fishing on your next vacation.

catch when you bring in Mahi Mahi or Tuna. There are also chefs who will cook your catch in the privacy of your accommodation.

- **Guard against seasickness.** Even if you're fishing in Costa Rica, which is known for its gentle, smooth waters, you might get disoriented on the boat. If you get sick, stay above deck and concentrate on the horizon line. Avoid strong smells, like that of the bait, until the nausea passes. Taking motion sickness medication before you board can help you avoid the issue altogether.
- **Come prepared.** Bring sunglasses and a hat or visor. Be sure to drink plenty of water while on the boat. Don't forget sunscreen; even if you stay in the shade, the glare off the water can give you sunburn. And don't forget to bring your camera. After all, you'll want photographic proof of your big catch!

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