



# The Gorman Progress

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## Benefit for Lawrence Perez Slated For July 28th at 11 A.M.

Everyone come join us for a benefit in honor of Lawrence Perez. He had a heart attack on June 20th which required immediate surgery and hospitalization. All proceeds from this benefit will go to Lawrence to help with these medical expenses.

It will be held at the Gorman City Park on Saturday, July 28th beginning at 11 a.m. Till the food's all gone. Will be serving BBQ Sandwiches and/or BBQ Plates with brisket, ribs, sausage plus all the fixins and drinks. See list below:

- Chopped BBQ Sandwich with chips and drinks - 5.00
- BBQ Plate With Choice of 1 meat, 2 sides and drink - \$10.00
- BBQ Plate with choice of 2 meats, 2 sides and drink - \$12.00
- BBQ Plate with choice of 3 meats, 2 sides and drink - \$15.00

Meats to be served will be Brisket, Ribs and Sausage  
Sides to be served will be Beans, Coleslaw, and Potato Salad.

\*\*\*\* ALSO A RAFFLE WILL BE HELD FOR A  
COOKED WHOLE BRISKET  
AT 1 P.M.

**PURCHASE TICKET(S) FOR \$1.00 EACH!!!**

## Gorman Middle School and High School Registration

Gorman High School and Middle School schedule confirmation will be Monday, August 13th and Tuesday, August 14th in the high school foyer. Students will be able to finalize schedules at the following times.

- Monday, August 13th  
9:00-11:00 - Seniors  
1:00-3:00 - Juniors
- Tuesday, August 14th  
9:00-11:00 - Freshman and Sophomores  
1:00-3:00 - Middle School

### Thank You

The Tenants and Staff of the Hotel unit of the Gorman Housing Authority wish to express their sincere appreciation to Bob and Brenda Hammontree for the thoughtful gifts they so graciously donated to them. You will never know how deeply these gifts were appreciated by these folks.

## Gorman Food Bank To Become Mobile Food Pantry

The Gorman Food Bank is transitioning to a Mobile Food Pantry, beginning with the August 9th distribution.

The Mobile Pantry program is proving a quick and easy way to help meet the fast-growing needs of our residents. In addition, it will allow us to provide perishable items like fresh fruit and vegetables, dairy products and baked goods.

The Food Bank of West Central Texas, from Abilene, drives the truck wherever the food is needed. Currently, mobile pantries are being established in Coleman and Breckenridge, as well as Gorman.

Qualified local residents will gather at the Community Center between 10 am and noon on the second Thursday of each month, where the food will be distributed directly from tables set up on the sidewalk. Prospective recipients walk around like they would at a farmer's market, selecting the foods their family can use.

Each load will bring groceries, to include fresh items plus non-perishable staples that the Food Bank has on hand. It's always a varied assortment made up of seasonal products and other high quality groceries.

New participants must preregister and demonstrate proof of residence in the Gorman area, as well as proof of total household income.

Mark your calendars for August 9th, and plan to participate in this exciting new program, designed to improve the nutrition of our participants and their families. If you have questions, call Howard Hagood - 734-5729 or Karen Pena - 734-5890.

## High School Eligible Softball Team in Tourney



These young ladies participate at the State Tournamnet in Brownwood on July 13th thru July 15th. They did a very good job in representing our town at a State level. In the picture top row: MyKisha Hampton, Melissa Ramirez, Kinsey Johnston and Megan Gray; middle row - Marylin Mayhall, Rasha Rainey, Mikayla Krause(DeLeon) and Emily Glover(DeLeon); bottom row - Alexia Madera, Yulissa Madera, Mahalia Majors and not pictured Ryan Lowery. **High School Eligible Softball Team** is selling T-Shirts for \$15.00 as a Fundraiser. The shirt will be hanging at City Hall for everyone to see. This shirt is available in all sizes. We will be taking orders through August 3rd. Money is due at time of order. Donna Scitern - 254-734-6007.

## ATHLETIC BOOSTER CLUB TO SELL PAVERS

The Gorman Athletic Booster Club will now be selling pavers to add to the previously sold pavers. The Club intends to make a lasting tribute to Gorman Panthers of all ages with the pavers. The pavers will be built into a display at the front of the high school building. However to make this happen we need YOU to help out. If you would like to have a paver (brick) with your name or your family's name on it we need to hear from you. The pavers will sell for \$20.00 for a 4X8 size, \$30.00 for an 8X8 size, and \$80.00 for a 16X16 size, other sizes are available. Pavers can be engraved with individual, family, or team information. Please contact Becky Swanner at 254-734-5176 or by email at bswanner@gormanisd.net. You may also contact Kenny Welch at 254-734-4444 or call Pam (Foster) Childers at the High School office at 254-734-3171 for information.

## Panther Fajita Lunch Fundraiser Successful

The Gorman Panther Football Team Would like to Thank everyone In the Community for the support show for our Fundraisers. On Friday, we were able to raise \$1, 102.00 during our Fajita Lunch. A tremendous amount of work was put in to make it happen and we hope everyone who participated enjoyed the fajitas. Special thanks to Becky and Revise, who organized the event, spent a lot of time preparing onions and peppers, and marinating meat, and of course to Revise for the master grill work. Also much thanks to Maria Rivas for tortillas and an awesome pico, to Imelda Maldonado for tortillas, to Gary Mauney for tortillas, and to Danny Burgess for donating the Butane. Also thanks to Robyn Snider, Traci Gerick, and Mindy Laminack for filling orders.

## UNITED METHODIST CHURCH TO HOLD VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

The Gorman United Methodist Church will be having Vacation Bible School on August 13, 14, and 15 from 6-8pm each evening. The name of this Bible School is "OVERBOARD". This is for Children who will be going into K thru 6th grade in the next school year. We invite all Gorman children to go "OVERBOARD" with us! We look forward to all children joining us for singing, snacks, learning and FUN!

## The First United Methodist Church Announces New Bible Study

The mid-week Bible study group at Gorman UMC is starting a new book. The title of the book is God Keeps Covenant - A Thirty Day Study on God's Love for Israel written by Wendy D. Beckett. This study will take us through the end of September. It should prove very interesting with lots of Bible reading and "covenant" conversation taking place. Any one who is interested should call Debbie Bellinger, co-pastor at 325.642.7524 for more information.

## Gorman Panthers Football Two-A-Day and Pre-Season Schedule Inside this Issue of the Progress

### Items of interest

**Men's Community Prayer Breakfast** meets at 7:00 a.m. On the third Wednesday of each month in the Fellowship Hall of the First United Methodist Church in Gorman.

Gorman Senior Citizens meet once a month on 3rd 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.

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.

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

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

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

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. Stan Harper, 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, 156 N. Mohon, De Leon, Tx 76444 or to American State Bank, Gorman, Texas 76454

## Please join us for a 50th Wedding Anniversary Celebration

In Honor of  
Freddie and Kay Rodgers  
July 28th from 2 to 4 p.m.  
Daugherty Street Church of Christ  
309 South Daugherty Street - Eastland, Texas

No Gifts Please -- Your Presence is your Gift to us





# Happenings At FBC!!

Miracle! Jerry & Connie Fronterhouse gave Bro. Barry the honor of carrying Lacey (six weeks old) into the Sanctuary to introduce her to her Church Family. All three of the triplets (Ashin, Talon, and Lacey) were in Church thanks to the answered prayers of our Lord! Hallelujah!

Mark your calendars:

**July 29th - 6pm** - Fifth Sunday Singing at New Hope Baptist Church.

**July 28th thru 30th** - Youth Camp. Pray for our Campers as they embark on this experience.

**July 30th thru Aug 2nd** - Mission Camp. Pray for our Campers as they prepare for this experience.

Children's Sermon: Traci held up a bottle of sunscreen; and one child said they had to wear it because they got sunburned and their skin peeled. Sunscreen protects us from the sun. Next, Traci held up a book and all the children said, "It's the Bible! God's Word!" The Bible says in Psalms, "I have hidden your word in my heart that I might not sin against you." Read the Bible and use what you learn to protect your heart from sin.

Special Music: "God Walks the Dark Hills" comforts us in the promise of God and Bro Barry beautifully shared this message in song.

Bro. Barry's Message: "Faith Is the Victory" - I John 5:3-4 (NLT) Those that live in the hope of Christ know how it feels to live in sunshine. Those that live in defeat and one crisis after another know exaggerated drama and cries for help.

I John 5:3) Loving God means keeping his commandments, and his commandments are not burdensome. 4) For every child of God defeats this evil world, and we achieve this victory through our faith.

Everything God has He's given to each one of us. Your good looks won't get you to heaven. Share what God has given to you and show others how to live by faith. The God of hope saves people, thus, there is no room for defeat or pessimism. Gloom breeds failure. You will experience the thrill of victory or the agony of defeat.

### REAL VICTORY:

1. Develop the Habit of Submissively Accepting Everything that Happens to You as God's Perfect Will for Your Life. - Bro Barry shared some events that transpired in his life; going from thinking his life would be professional football to being a Preacher of Jesus Christ's Gospel. God reveals His perfect will. Life changes but God never changes.

2. Live a Balanced Life. - I Timothy 4:16) Keep a close watch on how you live and on your teaching. Stay true to what is right for the sake of your own salvation and the salvation of those who hear you. - If anything in this world becomes more important than God then you are not living victorious. Wednesday nights are reserved for prayer and worship; however, many are replacing this time with extracurricular activities. God wants us to live in hope and victory each day of our life.

3. Walk In the Light. Face Up To the Truth. - Avoid darkness. Whom you choose to follow will determine the truth in your life. Seek the Light of Christ.

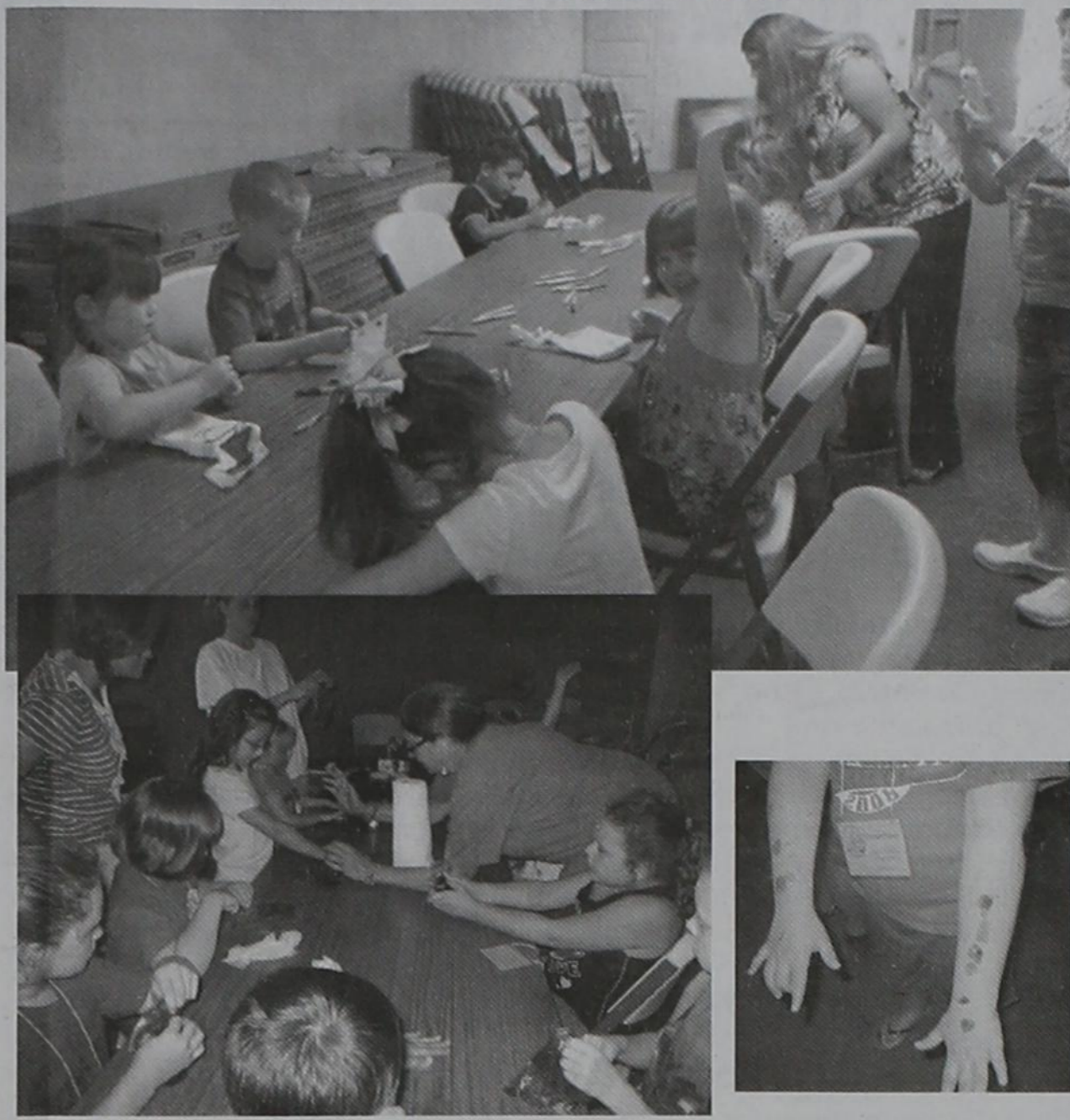
4. Maintain a Good Conscience. - Know what God has called you to do and help others to do the same. Let your conscience be washed clean by the blood of Jesus.

5. Strive In the Energy of the Holy Spirit Instead of the Energy of the Flesh. - Hebrews 4:10) For all who have entered into God's rest have rested from their labors, just as God did after creating the world. - God has given each of us so much power and strength. Choose to live with the energy of the Holy Spirit. Only God gives real victory for life, and it is by faith that you receive it and live it!

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!

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

## CHARLIE GARRETT MEMORIAL LIBRARY NEWS



As summer moves into full swing our library continues to be blessed with lots of new books. To all of you who donate - Thanks! Don't forget that the DeLeon Library recently donated a large selection of Christian Fiction and Large Print Westerns to our library. Most of the titles are new for us, so come in and take advantage of this wonderful gift. We are still making "Grab Bags" for you adult summer readers so come by and see what surprises you will find. Other recent additions to our collection include: Texas Angel and Heaven's Road by Judith Pella; two new mysteries: Lying in Wait by J.A. Jance and Once Last Look by Linda Lael Miller; and A Walk with Jane Austen - A Journey into Adventure, Love & Faith by Lori Smith. The Summer Reading Program for the kids has been a great success so far. They are reading lots of books trying to get those reading logs completed and submitted for prizes. Friday the 13th we had a good time reading Bunnica and making vampire glitter. Last Friday we read an adventure story with multiple possible endings and for our craft we made water bottle holders. Quite a few new books have been added this summer for the young readers: Mandie series 1-15 by Lois Gladys Lepperd, a set of 20 Bobsey Twins by Laura Lee Hope (also donated by DeLeon Library), and some good Junior Classics like King Arthur by Sir Thomas Malory.

The library is open Monday 3-7 and Tuesday - Friday 3-5. Come in and enjoy the cool, sit a while, relax, visit and enjoy a good book.

If you would be interested in volunteering at the library, please call Suzan Lipson at 254.734.4305

## GORMAN ATHLETIC BOOSTER CLUB PAVERS

The Gorman Athletic Booster Club along with the Gorman Ex's Association is offering pavers to be sold. Funds raised by the sale of pavers will be used with previously sold pavers to create a display in front of the high school. Any additional funds will be used towards the building of trophy cabinets in the gym foyer. It is the goal of these two organizations to bring Gorman's history back into display for all to see. This is not for athletics only, any individual, family or team can purchase and put any information desired on the paver. Can be Class of..., band, academic UIL, FFA, etc., anything you want, including just your name.

### PLEASE HELP WITH THIS GOAL BY PURCHASING A PAVER TODAY.

Paver sizes available are shown below, along with lettering requirements, and prices.

All pavers are produced by Texas Rock Art Co. in Fredericksburg, Texas. Graphics are available for an additional fee, prices will be based on the graphic chosen, please call Becky Swanner for additional information on graphics.

4 X 8 paver	3 lines max/14 characters per line max.	\$20.00
8 X 8 paver	4 lines max/14 characters per line max.	\$30.00
6 X 12 paver	4 lines max/18 characters per line max.	\$40.00
12 X 12 paver	6 lines max/18 characters per line max.	\$60.00
16 X 16 paver	10 lines max/20 characters per line max.	\$80.00

The History of Gorman needs to be preserved and displayed for all to see. Please help by purchasing a paver. Contact Becky Swanner at 254-734-5176 or bswanner@gormanisd.net, additional contacts are Kenny Welch at 254-734-4444 or Pam (Foster) Childers-high school secretary, at 254-734-3171. Ordering grids for the 4x8 and the 8x8 pavers are included.

## NEMESIS VOLLEYBALL CAMPS

AUGUST 1-3 9<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup> grade

GORMAN HIGH SCHOOL

Camp Director - James Barker

Wednesday Aug 1<sup>st</sup>: 2:00-6:00

Thursday Aug 2<sup>nd</sup>: 8:00-12:00 and 1:00-5:00

Friday Aug 3<sup>rd</sup>: 8:00-12:00

Cost \$55.00

(Cash or check payable the first day of camp)

### What to Bring

Volleyball appropriate clothing, shoes, knee pads, water bottle with water.

We will cover individual positions and their responsibilities. Hitting, the approach and proper arm swing and hitting angles. Blocking footwork and technique and reading the hitter. Serving; jump serving, float serving, and spin serves. We will cover defense, individual and team as well as offense, team and individual. This is not a conditioning camp. You should be prepared for a lot of jumping and volleyball specific drills and activities. This means the better condition you are in the more you will get out of the camp!

**Parents:** I hereby give my consent for my child to participate in the NEMESIS VOLLEYBALL CAMP. If at any time my child needs to receive outside or professional medical attention, I hereby give my consent to the camp to secure the services of the physical or medical facility selected and to secure transportation as deemed necessary. I will not hold James Barker, Nemesis Volleyball Camp, his staff, its employees, Gorman ISD or any Gorman ISD employees responsible for any loss, damages or personal injuries that may incur as a result of participation. This waiver of liability expressly includes all camp activities.

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date

We are what we repeatedly do. Excellence, therefore, is not an act but a habit. -Aristotle

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# Desdemona News

By Vonnie Guthery

**First Baptist Church of Desdemona** was low in attendance on Sunday. Several members are on the sick List and others on vacation. Visitors are invited to attend each Sunday at 11:00 a.m. for Worship Service.

**"Happy Birthday"** to our great grand-daughter, Taiah Cogburn and our great grand-son, Lane Powledge from Granny Coon and Granke Guthery of Desdemona.

**Desdemona Homecoming and School Reunion** will be held on **Saturday, August 11, 2012** in the "Ole School Gym". Morning program begins at 10:00 a.m. Noon Meal will be Catered by Circle M Bar-B-Que. Mark your Calendars and make plans to attend.

**Our Hearts Was Saddened** to on Sunday when our sister, Alta Mae Wilcoxson passed away. Burial was on Wednesday in the Desdemona Cemetery. She is a sister to Bernard Keith and Vonnie Guthery both of Desdemona.

Robert Alton Brown of Fort Worth visited on Sunday with his parents, Robert and Ima Brown at the Ranch home.

Remember the sick and shut-ins of our Community with your Cards and Prayers. Just a Note to say "Hi" means so much to a shut-in.

Have a good day, Vonnie

## Panthers Ready For 2-A-Days

Players report at 7:30 a.m. on Monday, August 6th for beginning of 2012 football workouts. We have had a great turnout this summer for weight room and agility workouts and expectations are high going into the 2012 season. B.J. Ramirez, who had almost 1500 yards on the ground and 10 touchdowns, returns as the Panthers leading rusher, and Zach Carlton returns at quarterback after making great progress as a sophomore. Luis Limon will lead the Panthers up front on both sides of the ball, and receiver/defensive backs Dakota Pacheco and Yovani Palacios will contribute again

to what was a very potent offensive attack last year. Tony Ramirez and TJ Trevino, who have both had a great summer of work, will be counted on to help Limon up front. The Panthers will rely heavily on a talented young group of incoming freshmen to fill some important roles. They have worked very hard this summer and are ready to step in and meet the challenge. We are very excited about the season and are looking forward to competing in our new district. On Thursday, August 16th, we want to invite all parents, boosters, fans and students out to the stadium at 7 p.m. To have "Ice Cream with the Panthers". Anyone interested in making some ice cream, or just eating some ice cream is invited to come.

### GORMAN PANTHERS 2012 2-A-DAYS & PRE SEASON PRACTICE SCHEDULE

Day	Date	Time	Location/Activity
Monday	August 6	8am-9:30am 10:30am-12pm	on the field weight room
Tuesday	August 7	10am-11:30am 2:30pm 3:15pm-4:15pm	on the field Abilene Reporter (pictures) conditioning
Wednesday	August 8	8am-9:30am 10:30am-12pm	on the field weight room
Thursday	August 9	8am-9:30am 10:30am-12pm	on the field conditioning
Friday	August 10	8am-10am 11am-12pm	on the field weight room
Saturday	August 11	OFF	Sunday August 12 OFF
Monday	August 13	8am-10am 11am-12pm	on the field weight room
Tuesday	August 14	8am-9:30am 10:30am-12pm	on the field conditioning
Wednesday	August 15	8am-10am 11am-12pm	on the field weight room
Thursday	August 16	5:30pm-7pm 7pm-8pm	on the field Ice Cream with the Panthers
Friday	August 17	9am-10am 4:15pm 6pm	weight room Leave for Santo scrimmage
Saturday	August 18	OFF	Sunday August 19 OFF
Monday	August 20	3:30pm 4:15pm	weight room practice
Tuesday	August 21	3:30pm	practice
Wednesday	August 22	3:30pm 4:15pm	weight room practice
Thursday	August 23	3:30pm	practice
Friday	August 24	9am 3pm 6:30pm	weight room Leave for San Angelo scrimmage

## Student Insurance Available

A reminder to parents, the school will no longer carry supplemental insurance on extracurricular activities. Parents have the option to individually purchase the insurance carried previously by the school. The insurance can be used as a supplemental insurance, or if you do not have primary insurance, it can be used as a primary insurance provider. Form are available in the High School Office.

## Carbon Community Center News

The 5th Saturday Musical for June was enjoyed by all attendees. Several musical groups sang and played country and western standards that were well received. The 1st Methodist Church Choir from Eastland sang hymns from the old Cokesbury Hymnal. Their performance ended with patriotic songs that encouraged audience participation, which was very enjoyable. A special treat was a visit from Janet Alexander and her friend Suzy (a ventriloquist dummy), from Flower Mound. Janet used her talent as a singer, ventriloquist and humorist to hold everyone's attention and put a smile on their face.

The meal consisted of beans, corn bread, condiments and pie. As usual, the food was great. The Carbon ladies are well known for their culinary abilities!

A highlight of the evening was the drawings, which were held several times. Donations from local businesses were offered. The Silver Bullet donated a gun cleaning kit, Higginbotham Brothers provided a crock pot, Greer's Western Wear donated a gift certificate and Radio Shack provided a home and auto tool kit. All were items of good quality and were happily received by the drawing winners.

Groups or individuals wishing to sing, play or otherwise perform in our next Musical, to be held September 29th, should contact T.J. Cummings, at 254-488-1249, in order to be scheduled. We extend our thanks, in advance, to all musicians and entertainers for using their talent to provide pleasure for others.

The Carbon Community Center is a non-profit organization made up of local citizens dedicated to providing a pleasant, well maintained location that serves the needs of the community by offering a meeting place with historical significance. The Center is home for memorabilia from the Carbon ISD and is an ideal site for reunions, weddings, anniversary celebrations, meetings, dinners and musicals. It is often used as the polling place for Carbon. If you are interested in using the Center for your next meeting, please contact Janis Keith at 254-639-2210, or LaTonne Rogers, at 254-639-2551.

## UPPER LEON RIVER MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT BOND COUNSEL SERVICES

The Upper Leon River Municipal Water District (the "District") is soliciting Request for Proposals ("RFP") and Statement of Qualifications ("SOQ") from interested qualified professionals to provide the following: assist in obtaining loan and to provide legal opinion with respect to assessing the viability of authorizing and issuing evidences of indebtedness by the District for capital financing or refinancing; preparation of resolution, indenture or other authorizing and securing the Bonds and other authorizing documents as necessary.

Any contract or contracts awarded under this RFP are expected to be funded by grants/loans from the Texas Water Development Board (TWDB) Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF). Neither the State of Texas nor any of its departments, agencies, or employees are or will be a party to this RFP, or any resulting contract. This RFP is issued in accordance with Section 2254 of the Texas Government Code (Professional Services Act) and Title 40 CFR Part 31 (Uniform Administrative Requirements for Grants and Cooperative Agreements to State and Local Governments).

This procurement is subject to the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) "fair share policy," which includes EPA-approved "fair share goals" for Minority Business Enterprise (MBE) & Women Business Enterprise (WBE) firms in the Construction, Supplies, Equipment, and Services procurement categories. EPA's policy requires that applicants and prime contractors make a good faith effort to award a fair share of contracts, subcontracts, and procurements to SMWBES. Although EPA's policy does not mandate that the fair share goals be achieved, it does require applicants and prime contractors to demonstrate use of the six affirmative steps. The current fair share goals for the State of Texas are as follows:

MBE: CONSTRUCTION 12.94%; SUPPLIES 9.68%; EQUIPMENT 7.12%; SERVICES 10.8%.  
WBE: CONSTRUCTION 8.72%; SUPPLIES 9.34%; EQUIPMENT 5.39%; SERVICES 5.72%.

Equal Opportunity in Employment - All qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex, age, handicap, or national origin. Bidders on this work will be required to comply with the President's Executive Order No. 11246, as amended by Executive Order 11375, and as supplemented in Department of Labor regulations 41-CFR Part 60. Small, minority, and women-owned business enterprises are encouraged to respond.

The RFP is available from the District upon request or by picking up a copy at the address below during regular business hours. One (1) copy of the SOQ package should be submitted by 10:00 A.M. (Local Time), August 10, 2012, in a sealed envelope to the following address and clearly labeled accordingly:

CONFIDENTIAL: STATEMENT OF QUALIFICATIONS ENCLOSED  
BOND COUNSEL SERVICES  
UPPER LEON RIVER MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT  
2250 HWY 2861  
COMANCHE, TEXAS 76442

The District does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, religion, age, or disability in employment or provision of services, programs or activities. Small Minority and Women's Business Enterprises are encouraged to submit SOQs. The District is an Equal Opportunity Employer. For additional information or to receive the RFP, please contact Gary Lacy, Manager, at (254) 879-2258 or glacy@cctc.net.

## UPPER LEON RIVER MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT ENGINEERING SERVICES

The Upper Leon River Municipal Water District (the District) is soliciting Statements of Qualifications (SOQ), for project planning, design, and operation phase services associated with the proposed rehabilitation and upgrade of the District's water treatment and distribution system. The proposed project will include assistance in application preparation and documentation to Federal, State, and other possible funding sources.

Any contract or contracts awarded under this Request for Qualifications (RFQ) are expected to be funded by grants/loans from the Texas Water Development Board (TWDB) Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF). Neither the State of Texas nor any of its departments, agencies, or employees are or will be a party to this RFQ, or any resulting contract. This RFQ is issued in accordance with Section 2254 of the Texas Government Code (Professional Services Act) and Title 40 CFR Part 31 (Uniform Administrative Requirements for Grants and Cooperative Agreements to State and Local Governments).

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## UPPER LEON RIVER MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT FINANCIAL ADVISOR

The Upper Leon River Municipal Water District (the District) is soliciting Request for Proposals ("RFP") and Statement of Qualifications from interested qualified professionals to provide: strategic financial planning; analysis of market conditions; recommended investments of bond proceeds; and provide recommendations to the District for financing through programs established by TWDB.

Any contract or contracts awarded under this Request for Proposals (RFP) are expected to be funded by grants/loans from the Texas Water Development Board (TWDB) Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF). Neither the State of Texas nor any of its departments, agencies, or employees are or will be a party to this RFQ, or any resulting contract. This RFP is issued in accordance with Section 2254 of the Texas Government Code (Professional Services Act) and Title 40 CFR Part 31 (Uniform Administrative Requirements for Grants and Cooperative Agreements to State and Local Governments).

This procurement is subject to the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) "fair share policy," which includes EPA-approved "fair share goals" for Minority Business Enterprise (MBE) & Women Business Enterprise (WBE) firms in the Construction, Supplies, Equipment, and Services procurement categories. EPA's policy requires that applicants and prime contractors make a good faith effort to award a fair share of contracts, subcontracts, and procurements to SMWBES. Although EPA's policy does not mandate that the fair share goals be achieved, it does require applicants and prime contractors to demonstrate use of the six affirmative steps. The current fair share goals for the State of Texas are as follows:

MBE: CONSTRUCTION 12.94%; SUPPLIES 9.68%; EQUIPMENT 7.12%; SERVICES 10.8%.  
WBE: CONSTRUCTION 8.72%; SUPPLIES 9.34%; EQUIPMENT 5.39%; SERVICES 5.72%.

Equal Opportunity in Employment - All qualified Applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex, age, handicap, or national origin. Bidders on this work will be required to comply with the President's Executive Order No. 11246, as amended by Executive Order 11375, and as supplemented in Department of Labor regulations 41 CFR Part 60. Small, minority, and women-owned business enterprises are encouraged to respond.

The RFP is available from the District upon request or by picking up a copy at the address below during regular business hours. One (1) copy of the SOQ Package should be submitted by 10:00 A.M. (local time) August 10, 2012, in a sealed envelope to the following address and clearly labeled accordingly:

CONFIDENTIAL: STATEMENT OF QUALIFICATIONS ENCLOSED  
FINANCIAL ADVISOR SERVICES  
UPPER LEON RIVER MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT  
2250 HWY 2861  
COMANCHE, TEXAS 76442

The District does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, religion, age, or disability in employment or provision of services, programs or activities. Small Minority and Women's Business Enterprises are encouraged to submit SOQs. The District is an Equal Opportunity Employer. For additional information or to receive the RFP, please contact Gary Lacy, Manager at (254) 879-2258 or glacy@cctc.net.