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Gorman High School Homecoming Game Friday

Halloween Costume Parade Set For Saturday, Nov. 1st

Well, it is that time once again...Halloween Costume Parade time. I have done a lot of thinking on what to do about this years parade.

Since Halloween is on a Friday night this year, and it is also a home football game which happens to be the Homecoming Game. This years annual Halloween Parade will begin at 5:30 p.m. Saturday. Everyone is to meet at Basketball courts down town. See you there. Ina

Everyone is to Trick or Treat on that Night. NO TRICK OR TREAT IN GORMAN ON HALLOWEEN NIGHT.

Thanks, Ina Smith

Announcement of Candidacy for Eastland County Sheriff - 2008:

My name is David Hullum and I want to be your Sheriff. I am a retired Texas Ranger with 4,000 hours of law enforcement education and 30 years of law enforcement experience.

Eastland County has been home for me and my family since I was first stationed here ten years ago. Eastland County however, has been plagued with many of the same types of problems that have plagued the metropolitan areas. Many of those problems are directly related to illegal narcotics. Sadly, the proliferation of illegal narcotics in our community leads to other spinoff crimes such as thefts and burglaries.

As you Sheriff, I pledge to utilize every lawful means to pursue individuals who engage in criminal conduct with a special emphasis on those individuals engaged in the sale or possession of illegal narcotics.

Let me be clear that I intend to target law violators and not law abiders.

Recently, I was asked what the differences between me and my opponent are. In order to clarify, I have outlined them below.

Years ago, my opponent opted to primarily be an administrator and consequently has not personally filed a single criminal case with the district attorney's office since at least 2003.

I don't intend to neglect the administrative duties of the office; however, if elect, I intend to be out answering calls, investigating crimes and protecting the lives and property of the citizens of this county.

The best way to tell where a man is going is to see where he's been. Below are verifiable statistics from my nine years at your Texas Ranger.

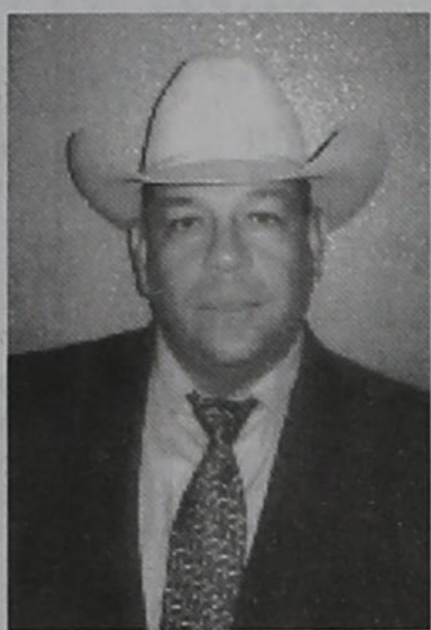
- 530 investigations initiated
- 189 arrests
- \$400,000 in fines and restitution
- 1400 years sentenced (prison)
- 4 life sentences (prison)
- 317 witness statements taken
- 135 confession taken
- 1200 reports written
- 2 cold case murders solved

These figures are reflective of a work ethic that I have developed over a lifetime and a work ethic that I will bring to you as your Sheriff.

If elect, I intend to institute the following programs to improve the overall level of effectiveness of the Sheriff's Office:

1. Establish a reserve deputy program utilizing individuals from the community who have a desire for public service and can volunteer a few hours of service a month. The reserve deputies can be used to supplement patrol activities and can also be used in the event of a disaster.
2. Conduct a call analysis to determine peak call activity and then modify deputy's schedules accordingly.

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Panthers Outrun Rattlers 35-10; Host Santo Wildcats Friday

GAME AT A GLANCE

Gorman		Tolar
17	First Downs	13
42/256	Carries/yds.	37/130
36	Passing Yds.	61
3 of 7/1	Complete/Int.	7 of 11/3
0/0	Punts/Avg.	2/31
1/1	Fumbles/Lost	1/1
6/40	Penalties	6/45

The Gorman Panthers travelled to Tolar on Friday night to take on the Rattlers and came away with a 35-10 victory. The Panthers held a 14-7 margin in the first quarter. The halftime margin was 21-10. Then the Big Red defense held the Rattlers scoreless in the last half, while the offense added 7 in the third and 7 in the final period for a 35-10 victory.

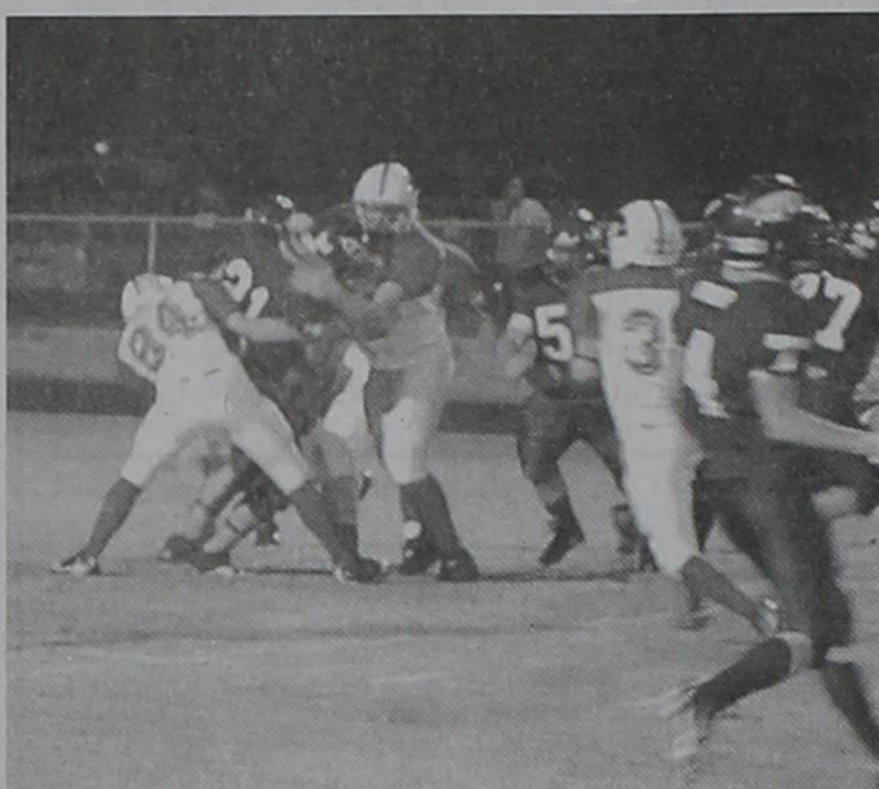
The Panthers took the opening kickoff but fumbled on the first play. The Rattlers defense grabbed the fumble on their own 49 and Zane Bishop returned the bobble for a score with 11:38 on the clock. Caleb Williams added the point after and Gorman was behind 7-0.

But the Panthers came right back and took the ball on their own 36 and scored in 8 plays with Matt Underwood running for the score from 7 yards out with 7:37 left in the first. Swanner booted the point after and the score was knotted at 7-7. The drive featured runs of 4 and 13 by Underwood and 6 and 18 by Tyson Swanner and a 18 yard pass to Keifer Wilson.

The Big Red defense held the Rattlers on their next possession and intercepted a pass on the Rattler 47. From there they scored in 4 plays with Swanner getting the final 2 yards with 3:17 left in the half. Swanner added the point after and Gorman led 14-7. The drive featured an 18 yard run by Swanner and runs of 3 and 3 by Underwood. The drive was helped by a 15 yard penalty on Tolar.

The Rattlers came back with a field goal by Williams of 15 yards and the score was 14-10.

Then just before halftime the Panthers added another score when they got the ball on an interception at the Rattler 10. After an incomplete pass and a 6 yard run by Underwood, Swanner ran it in from 4 yards out with just 42 seconds left in the half. Swanner added the point after and Gorman enjoyed a 21-10 margin.



IN THE GRASP – Matt Cogburn, Clifton Lipson and Sean Bates join forces to stop a Rattler in game action Friday.



OVER FOR THE TD – Tyson Swanner is shown diving thru the line in game action Friday.

Both the bands put on very good performances as did the dancers and cheerleaders.

Following the intermission the Big Red Defense again held the Rattlers and got the ball on the Tolar 47. The scoring drive covered the distance in 6 plays with Underwood getting the honors from 2 yards out with 4:52 left in the third. Swanner booted the point after and Gorman was up 28-10. The drive featured 20 yard run by Underwood and runs of 10 and 8 by Swanner, plus a 9 yard pass to Drew McCreless.

The final score came on a 2 yard run by Underwood to cover the 26 yards after a Panther interception with just 7 seconds left. The drive featured runs of 4, 3, and 8 by Underwood and a 3 yarder by Swanner. Swanner added the point after and the final score was 35-10.

Underwood led the Panthers with 126 yards on 22 carries and Swanner got 122 on 18.

The Panthers will host the Santo Wildcats in the Homecoming Game on Friday night at Brogdon Field. This will be another important District Game and everyone is urged to come out and back the Panthers to Victory.

Go Get 'Em Big Red!!

Remember to Set Clocks Back One Hour
On Saturday night at 2 a.m.
For Daylight Savings Time Ends

ITEMS OF INTEREST

SANDRA CAGLE WILL BE IN GORMAN AT THE CITY OFFICE TO RENEW AUTO LICENSE PLATES. HER NEXT VISIT IS WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 12TH FROM 9 TIL NOON.

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.

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

Boy Scouts
Meeting Weekly
Tuesdays - 6:00 p.m.
Methodist Church

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 – 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. Technology 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. Gerald Ragland, Master – Roscoe Reeves, Secretary.

Firstfruits Christian Fellowship Annual Fall Festival Set Saturday

Firstfruits Christian Fellowship will be hosting its Annual Fall Festival on Saturday, November 1st at their facilities located at the corner of Crescent and Lexington. The event will begin at 7:45 p.m. Following the Halloween Parade. The event will end at 9:15 p.m. There will be some of the familiar games and events that have been available in the past including horse rides, bounce house and slide, face painting, and several games for all ages. New this year will be interactive video games on big screens in various age categories, including Wii sports games and "Rock Star" where prizes will be awarded. Snack foods and drinks will be provided. The entire event is free to the public.

Polling Places Named For Nov. 4th

To the registered voters of the County of Eastland, polling places listed below with be open 7 a.m. To 7 p.m. On November 4th for voting in the General Election to elect President, Members of Congress, Members of the Legislature, and state, district, county and precinct officers.

Prec. 1 - County Courthouse; Prec. 2 - Olden Community Center; Prec. 3 - Ranger Community Center; Precinct 4 - Desdemona Community Center; Precinct 5 - Gorman Senior Citizens Center; Precinct 6 - Carbon Community Center; Precinct 7 - Higginbotham Center - Rising Star; Precinct 8 - American State Bank Community Room, Cisco; and Precinct 9 - Lake Leon Baptist Church. Early voting will take place at Eastland County Courthouse beginning Oct. 20 between the hours of 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. and ends on Oct. 31st.

Panther Blankets

These fleece blankets are red with a Gorman Panthers logo on them. They easily fold with the attached Velcro closure. Also has an attached handle for easy carrying. The cost for the blankets are \$20.

These blankets are available at the football concession stand during home games or you can purchase one by contacting Mr. Howard at 734-2521 or Melissa Osborne at 734-2849.

Notice

The Eastland County Clerk's Office will be closed due to the Elections on Tuesday, November 4, 2008 and will reopen on Wednesday, November 5th at Noon.

Thank you for your consideration, Cathy Jentho, County Clerk.

Gorman Homecoming Senior 1988 - 20-Year Reunion

Tuesday, October 21, 2008 - Gorman Homecoming Football Game - 7:30 p.m. @ GHS Stadium
Saturday, November 1, 2008 - Family BBQ - 11:30 a.m. @ Melissa Osborne's on Scurry Street
Saturday, November 1, 2008 - Class Dinner - 6:30 p.m. @ 2nd St. Downtown Gorman
Please RSVP to Christina @ 254-855-1515 or c. h. 254-855-1515
Note: Gorman will be Trick or treating on Saturday Night!

Spirit Socks

The Gorman FCCLA is selling spirit socks. The socks are low-cut with Gorman on the front cuff in Red and Panthers in Royal Blue on the back. They are selling them 3 pr. for \$10.00. They will be selling them until Friday, Nov. 7th. They will be delivered two weeks later (Nov. 24th). The socks come in size S-child size socks (Shoe size 6-2) M - Medium Size Sock 9-II (Shoe size 2-9) and L- Large size sock 10-13 (Shoe size 9-13). Please contact Mrs. Kellar at the school or any FCCLA member. Payment is due at the time of order. The money raised will help pay for expenses associated with their competition in San Angelo.

Roster Shirts - Hoodies Still Available

I have a few of the roster shirts that haven't been picked up and I am willing to sell them. There are some hoodies, short sleeve and long sleeve. The sizes are XL, XXL or XXXL and youth medium.

Becky

HAPPY 85TH BIRTHDAY POLLY GAINES DAVIS

Spirited House at Gorman FUMC

The Gorman First United Methodist Church will be hosting it's annual Spirited House on November 1st beginning at 5:00 pm. We will be serving corn dogs, chips and drinks. You may eat at the church or get yours to go. Our bathrooms are available for pit stops that night during trick or treating. We also will have a first aid station for those little "bumps" that occur that night.

This is FREE to everyone. Be sure and come by and have supper on us!!!

Basketball Sign-Ups - Grades 3rd thru 6th

It is time to get ready for Pee Wee Basketball. We are starting sign-up this week. The sign-up will end December 1st. There will be a meeting, we will send out notes. You can also turn your forms in at City Hall. We are looking forward to getting started. Anyone that is interested in being a coach or if you were a coach last year, there will be another meeting when we know how many coaches that we need. If you are interested please let me know or you can come to the sign-up on the 1st. The fee to play this year will be \$25 per child. This will get us uniforms and insurance on the kids. Forms to sign-up will be available at City Hall. If you have any question, feel free to call Barbara at the City Hall or you can leave a message at 254-413-3595. **Please Do Not Take Your Form Back To School - We May Not Get It.**

HCV For Comanche County Medical Center Fish Fry

The Healthcare Volunteers for Comanche County Medical Center are sponsoring their annual Fish Fry at Cook's Fish Barn located at 3661 Highway 36 between Comanche and Rising Star. It will take place on Monday, November 3, 2008 from 5 to 8:00 p.m. The tickets will be \$8.00 but children 5 and under will eat free. This includes a tasty dessert made by HCV members. Also you will be able to bid on auction items including homemade fried pies, pies, cakes and other creations donated by HCV Members.

Bring your family and friends for good food, great desserts and fun with the auction. We need YOUR Support. Proceeds from these fundraisers such as the Fish Fry, Book Fair and Golf Tournament are used to purchase advanced diagnostic tools and other equipment to make your visit to Comanche County Medical Center more successful, so give us the favor of your presence and encouragement.

Classifieds

FOR SALE: 2002 F-150 Ford Supercrew FX4, Automatic, 5.4L Engine, 18-MPG, Power Windows, Locks, Tilt Wheel, Cruise Control, 4 Wheel Drive, Tonneau Cover, Towing Package, Nerf Bars, 6 Changer CD Player/Cassette, Engine Replaced (142K), Super Clean and Ready to Go. Call 254-631-8938 For Reduced Price and Test Drive. 2-11-6 P.

THREE GARAGE SALES: Desdemona. All on Hwy. 8 - 5809 Hwy 8 - 6310 Hwy. 8 and 6318 Hwy. 8 - Follow the Signs. Saturday, November 1st - 8 a.m. till?? ITC

GARAGE SALE: Linda Welch's House - 814 North Kent Street in Gorman - Saturday, November 1st - 8:30 to 1:00 ITC

HELP WANTED - LVN's \$16.75 Hr - CNA's \$9.00 - Weekend RN - \$20.00. Please apply in person to Bell Spencer RN, DON at De Leon Nursing and Rehab, 809 E. Navarro in De Leon. 2-11-6 C.

GARAGE SALE: Thursday and Friday - 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. at 625 W. LaSalle in De Leon. Antique Coke Box, Kids Clothes, Tools and Kitchen Items. The Lynn Hooker residence. ITC

MANAGER - GORMAN DQ Food service career with top salary and bonuses for continued growth. Responsible, honest leader with people skills. Background and drug test required; smoke free. Richeson Home Office, 940-549-5041, ask for Twylah Price, 9-5 M-F. Others times leave message. 4-11-20 C.

HELP WANTED - Maintenance Person. Please apply in person to Lynn Porter or Carrie Martin at De Leon Nursing and Rehab, 809 E. Navarro in De Leon. 1-10-30 C.

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FREE: 14X80 foot Mobile Home. Fire Damaged. To Be moved from lot. 254-734-4371 - James Miears. ITC

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When members of Comanche Electric Cooperative receive their November Issue of Texas Co-op Power magazine, they will discover an added bonus: the Co-op Connections Card. This is an absolutely free card for every member of Comanche Electric Cooperative, and will enable members to receive discounts at participating local businesses as well as participating businesses on the national level.

The most favored and valued member benefit of the Co-op Connections Card is 10%-60% savings on most prescriptions at over 48,000 independent pharmacies and national chains including CVS, Walgreens, Wal-Mart, Target, and more. To find out which pharmacies are participating, members may go to www.locateproviders.com, use their member number and group number from the back of the new card and search by zip code.

Comanche Electric Cooperative offers the Co-op connections Card in conjunction with the other national Touchstone Energy co-ops serving 17 million member-owners. Across the country, members of the not-for-profit electric cooperatives who issue the Touchstone Energy Co-op Connections Card have saved \$3.2 million on their medications. \$431,096 of those savings came in the month of August alone.

A free offering for CECA members and participating businesses, the Co-op Connections Card also offers other valuable discounts at participating local and national businesses. Local businesses benefit from increased customer visits by co-op members participating in the program, and from their free listing on www.ceca.coop

Members can look for the Co-op Connections Card sticker on the doors of participating businesses, or by visiting www.ceca.coop and clicking on the Co-op Connections Card at the bottom of the page. For more information as a member, or as a business wishing to join the program, contact Shirley at 800-915-2533 or sdakes@ceca.coop. This is just more proof that being a member of Comanche Electric Cooperative has its advantages.

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27K Miles - Factory Warranty - 4 Door
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\$10,995 TT&L

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Taking Detailed Sealed Bids!
Gorman ISD is taking Detailed Sealed Bids on Roof Top Heating and AC Units for the Elementary Building and JRHS Wing of the High School. Sealed Bids are due by 3:00 p.m. on Friday, November 7, 2008. Spec Sheets can be picked up at the Superintendent Office or from Ron Childers. 2-11-6 C.

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455A, wells, tanks, creek, tree covered, hunting, Hwy.6 frontage [RS01] \$1,912,000
320±A, on Turkey Creek, creek, wildlife cover, tanks, well, hunting [ET01] \$880,000
250±A, on Copperas Creek, wooded, coastal, lake, cabin, rural water [LB01] \$795,000
243A, reservoir, wells, irrig.pit, on hwy., cultivation, costal, pasture [AB01] \$2,500/acre
236±A, wells, tanks, rolling terrain, minerals available, hunting [DS02] \$2,195/acre
231A, on Leon River, wells, pecan trees, hunting SOLD [BK01] \$665,200
81A, Pecan Orchard, 900± improved variety, underground irrig, wells [REM01] \$405,000
52A, 4-3 Brick Home, carport, wells, tanks, corrals, barns [LP01] \$239,500
51A, highway frontage, spring creek and hunting [RP01] \$182,000
45A, 7 irrig.wells & pit, buried mainline w/risers, minerals available [NF01] \$2,500/ Acre
30A, 3-2 1/2 Custom Home, garage, porch, shed/shop, barn, wells, tanks [DB01] \$450,000
25.6 A, 4-2 1/2 Brick Home, garage, carport, storage bldgs, well, tanks [JB03] \$210,000
21±A, 2-2 1/2x72 mobile home, well, World Feeder Costal Bermuda grass [MS03] \$105,000
20A, excellent home site, costal, rural water avail, hunting, minerals neg. [WM01] \$75,000
19±A, rolling terrain, Live Oaks, hunting, near Proctor Lk, will divide [LR03] \$2,750/ acre
4+A, 4-3 Remodeled Brick Home, additional recreational room, water well [RH02] \$149,900
3-2 Frame Home, 2.5 A, wood stove, carport, rural water, well, shop [CC03] \$99,900
3-2 Doublewide, 2/car carport, fireplace, on 3+A lot, cov. RV parking area [LK01] \$70,000
2-2 Mobile Home 14X70, 12x28 add-on, strg. bldg/carport [PA01] \$29,900 REDUCED \$22,500
2-1 1/2 Frame Home, new roof, attached garage, storage building [ST01] \$75,000
2-1 Frame Home, 2.3 A, screened porch, water well, storage bldg. [GB02] \$55,000
2-1 Fleetwood 14x52, shaded corner lot, well, underground sprinkler, carport [JT03] \$35,000


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NEW: Desdemona, 4 A, older 3-1 frame, well & septic, workshop, beautiful location, large trees. \$59,900.
NEW: Desdemona, 66.98A., great deer/turkey hunting, 1/2 heavily wooded creek bottom 50' elev. Change. Nice creek, excellent location for a lake. Good recreational place \$4,250.00 per A.
Gorman 12A., more or less, 30 acre, pond, presquite cover. \$2,500 A.
15A north of Gorman, 100 acre, 2 miles north of Gorman, good soil, nice location for pond, good fences. \$2,500 A.
17A N/E Gorman, 10A wooded, large trees, electric meter, country location, great place for a new home. \$2,500 A.
38 A M/L south Gorman: Fronts FM 679, about 10 A. Large Pecan Trees, nice location for pond, good fences, sandy land. \$2,500 Acre
40 A m/l, south Gorman, pasture, fenced, small cabin, water well, small pond, elec., sandy soil, paved road. \$2,750 acre.
77A Sipe Springs, deer, turkey & 2 stocked ponds, Live and Post Oak, mineral rights, Insulated 30x40 steel Bldg., a/c, 7 living quarters. Nice Getaway! \$3,250 A.
NEW: Gorman, 44A, 2-2-2 bi-level frame home, 1728 sf, central a/h, metal roof, covered upper deck, several wells, buildings, coastal, Deer & other wildlife \$250,000.00
80A s/e Gorman, app. 30 a coastal, 7 - 8 wells, reservoir, good fences, elec., good soil, nice pond site. Will Divide \$2,500 per 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.
156 A, Carbon, 1/2 wooded - 1/2 fields, deer, turkey, 3 ponds, nice 2 - 2 mh, central a/c, barn, corral, county water. \$4,000 acre.
179 A, south of Gorman: Part wooded, part old fields, deer & hogs, 2 nice ponds, sandy soil, elec., several water wells, condition is unknown. \$2,350.00 acre. **SELLERS SAYS MAKE OFFER!!**
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Pig Tales From Hogtown

Lots going on in Desdemona this week! Our second monthly dance will be Thursday, October 30. The concession stand will open at 5:30 and the music will begin at 6:00. Johnny Johnson and the Memory Makers will play for us until 9:30. Since Halloween is upon us, we invite you to wear a Halloween costume if you would like.

Saturday, November 1st is Breakfast at the DAC as usual on the first Saturday of each and every month. We serve from 7:00A.M. until 10:00A.M. Y'all come!

We will have tickets available for the Ruger Hawkeye rifle that we will be giving away on December 6th. Tickets are \$2.00 each or 3 for \$5.00.

Some folks have expressed an interest in having a jam session each week. Beginning this Thursday you all are welcome to come to the DAC during our Library hours (3:00-5:00) to jam. This is just a fun time - it doesn't matter if you are proficient on your instrument or not. Just come and have some fun.

See you in Desdemona! Carol Pell

Faye Scitem

Faye Scitem, age 76 of Gorman, passed away Saturday, October 25, 2008 at an Abilene nursing home.

Graveside service were at 10:00 A. M. Tuesday at the Gorman Cemetery with Larry Stogsdill officiating.

Faye was born November 27, 1931 in Dimmitt, Texas to Henry Lawson Scitem and Oza Rebecca Burlson Scitem. She was a retired licensed vocational nurse and a member of the Church of Christ. She retired and moved back to the hotel in Gorman in 2004. She had been in the nursing home in Abilene for almost two years.

Survivors include; son, Robert Callison of Gorman; two daughters, Margaret Littlefield and husband, Guy of San Antonio and Malinda Moore and husband, Kenneth of Port Aransas; daughter-in-law, Jeanie Callison of Strawn; brother, Alvis Scitem and wife, Bonnie of Gorman; two sisters, Louise Tinkler of Abilene and Carolyn Foster and husband, Gene of Gorman; sister-in-law, Troy Scitem of Gorman; 9 grandchildren and 13 great grandchildren as well as several nieces, nephews and cousins. She was preceded in death by her parents, one son, Larry Callison, brother, John Scitem, son-in-law, John Wilson and brother-in-law, Rollo Tinkler.

Thomas Greer

Thomas Greer, born November 28, 1923 in Carbon, Tx and passed away October 23, 2008 in Frisco, Tx. He was employed by Mobil Oil in exploration services. Survived by his wife, Marg Greer; son, Timothy Freer; daughters, Ann Sandefer and Pamela McCauley; brother, Larry Greer; sisters, Jo Lee and Berry Greer; and 1 grandchild. Services were held at 10 a.m., Saturday, October 25th at Restland Wildwood Chapel. Memorials may be made to the Disabled American Veterans, P. O. Box 14301, Cincinnati, OH 45250-0301.



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**Senior Night
October 31, 2008**

Seniors participating in fall activities will be honored at the football game Friday October 31. This will include volleyball, football, cheerleading, and band. Seniors will be announced at 7:00 p.m.

**Lady Panthers To Have
Playoff Game In Lingleville**

The Lady Panthers lost a 5 set match to Tolar on Tuesday, October 21. The Lady Panthers then defeated Lingleville in 3 sets 25-19; 25-7 and 25-18 on Saturday, October 25.

The Lady Panthers will be playing Tolar in a Playoff Game for 2nd Place in District. The game will be played in Lingleville on Saturday, November 1st - 2:00 p.m.. Come out and support these young ladies.

**Announcement of Candidacy for
Eastland County Sheriff - 2008:**

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- 3. Establish a mini-laboratory at the Sheriff's office. Most evidence, such as fingerprints, is damaged through improper handling or packaging. The mini-lab will provide a safe environment to develop fingerprints and appropriately package other evidence for submission to the DPS Crime Laboratory for analysis.
- 4. Establish in-house training utilizing my years of experience and training to better equip the deputies to serve the county.
- 5. Institute aggressive patrol tactics to target areas of the county affected by thefts, burglaries and narcotic violations.
- 6. Finally, I intend to carry an investigative case load just as my deputies do and will continually strive to improve the overall clearance rate of the department.

The programs can be instituted for little or no expense to the county.

If these are things that you would like to see instituted, then I would appreciate your vote. I will not disappoint you.

My name is David Hullum and I want to be your Sheriff.

Political advertisement paid for by David Hullum, POB 1001, Eastland, Tx 76448.

Peanut Queens Participate In Octoberfest Parade

The Peanut Queens participated in the Rising Star Octoberfest Parade on October 11th.

They won the Beauty Queen category, Out of Town float and Best of Show.

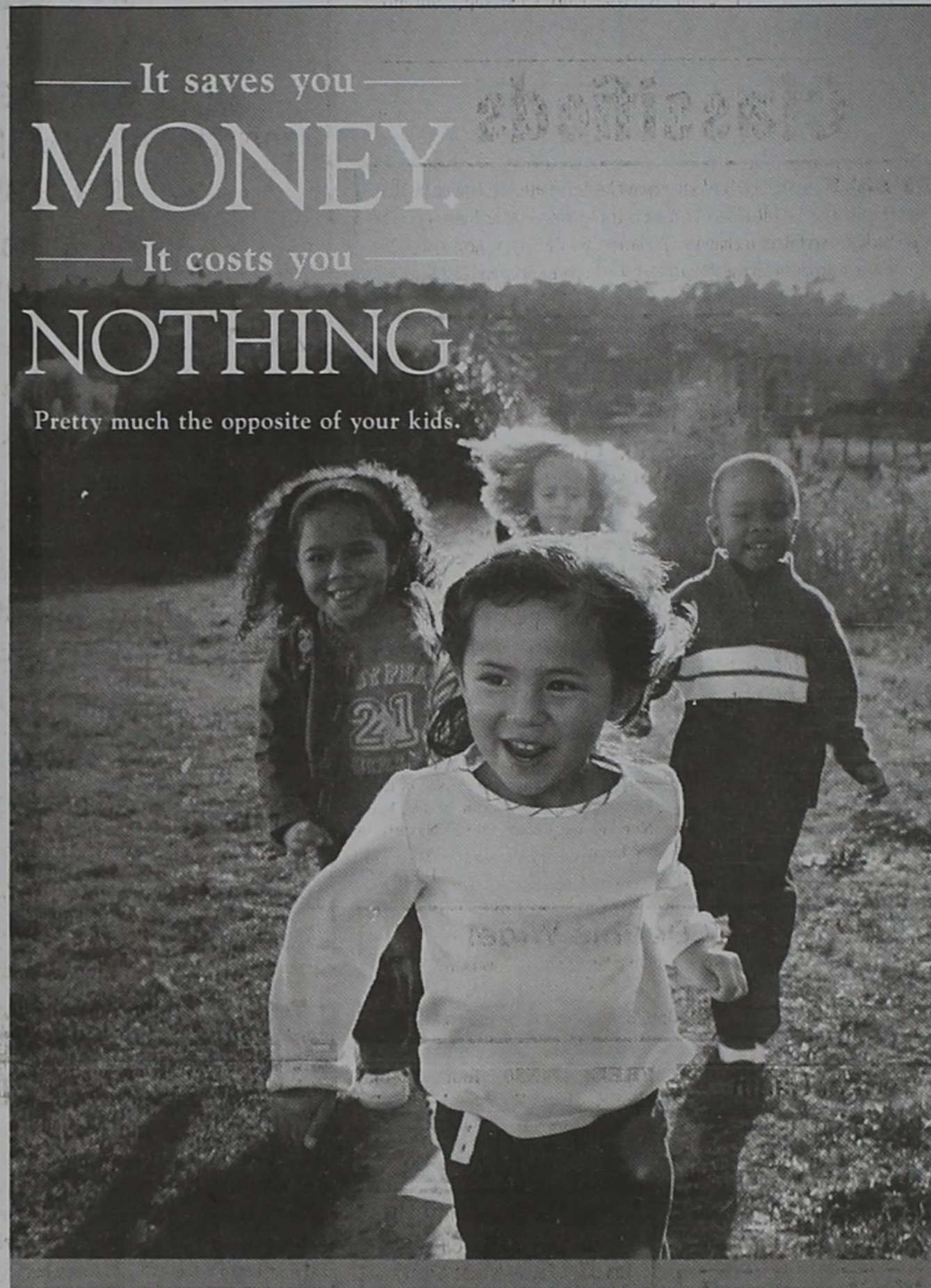
This years Peanut Queens are Jr. Miss Rachel Tucker, Peanut Queen Erica Limon, Pre-teen Queen Kourtney Seaton, Petite Miss Jordan Hampton, and Little Miss Morgan Wright. Good Job Girls!



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On Saturday night at 2 a.m.
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Desdemona News

By Vonnie Guthery

The "Country and Western" Monthly Musical was held last Saturday night at the Community Center ("Ole" School Building). Several musicians and singers presented a good music program. We appreciate all these musicians and visitors that attend each month. Thanks to the ladies of our Community that donate food each month to our Concession Stand. This monthly musical will be cancelled for November and December due to the busy "Holiday Season". But will start back in January 2009 on the fourth Saturday night of each month. This is a "Smoke Free" environment and the admission is "FREE".

Thanksgiving Supper will be held on Saturday night, November 8th at the Desdemona Community Center ("Ole" School Building). Turkey and dressing with all the trimmings will be served. Serving time begins at 5:30 p.m. Adult Tickets are \$8.00 and Children are \$4.00. We invite our friends and neighbors to attend. All the proceeds from this Annual event will go for much needed repairs on the school building.

Tim and Laura White enjoyed having their son, Ryan home from College this past week. While Ryan was here, all the family voted early on this upcoming election. Also Ryan captured a video of the "strange night lights" over De Leon.

This reporter would like to say "Hello" to Mary (Heatly) Walls in Dublin. The Heatly Family are former residents of Desdemona where Mary attended school and graduated with the Class of 1958. Her parents, W. E. and Dulcie Heatly taught school in Desdemona. After Mary graduated, she attended college and later on taught school in Desdemona.

Please contact this reporter with your weekly news. This news article is written each Sunday night and delivered by noon each Monday. Your help will be appreciated.

Be Sure you all go VOTE on Tuesday, November 4th.
Thought for Today -- "Keep Love In Your Heart - the art of loving and being loved brings warmth to life that nothing else can bring."
Have A Great Day, COON.

Senior Citizens News

By Carol Ward

Our weekly dinner was enjoyed by 25 folks here to engage in fellowship and good eats. We meet every Wednesday at 11:30 and were here on October 22. Bro. Frank Shirley gave the blessing. We are always happy to see him and Beth here often. I must correct the date of the Desdemona Thanksgiving Dinner. I was given the wrong date of the 11th, it is one Saturday, the 8th. The meal starts at 5. We will try and leave here in Gorman about that time. Will be early enough for most of us.

We enjoyed the Birthdays of Ann Warren, Billie Bennett, Betty Frazier and Bernice Hewson. Our cake was white with Raspberry filling and trim. The ice cream was chocolate covered strawberry. Very delicious, I'd not had it before. We all say Happy Birthday and had a few laughs along the way. Bernice was feeling ill so couldn't be with us. We were sorry she missed her celebration. Some cake was sent home for her.

Our meal consisted of burger patties in mushroom gravy, Lima Beans with ham, white beans, green beans and potatoes, mixed vegetables and delicious tamale pie by Billie Bennett. We also enjoyed salad, deviled eggs, cornbread and rolls. Our desserts were pecan pie, fruit and coconut cake by Beth Shirley, so yummy. A yellow cake by Ailene Garrett, and Jello with Cool Whip dessert. Also our Birthday Cake with ice cream.

We were so excited and pleased to have Martha Harrington here with us. Its time she gets out more since her retirement. I do hope this encourages more retirees to come out and fellowship. We need new people.

I did go to the Jr. High game last week, so had to miss game night. I had not viewed the boys play or my granddaughter, Alaina Swanner cheer. The boys had not lost all year, then I do and they lost! I'll try and go one more time, maybe I won't jinx them. Also attended the varsity game in Tolar. Sure was a great game. We won! The boys got it together and played. Now if we can get by the next two. De Leon will be rough, but maybe we can have a miracle.

They had a small group out for games as several were ill, and Betty Regian and I attended the Jr. High game. They enjoyed 42 and Skipbo. Also had sandwiches and other goodies.

I'll miss Barbara Bush this Wednesday as she will be gone to Lubbock. Will baby sit a grandchild, plus visit with her son while his wife is in Italy. Max will really miss her, but we all need separate vacation to appreciate each other even more.

Hope all is well and see you next time, Carol.

Texas Star Gardeners Tour Clark Gardens

The Texas Star Gardeners toured the Clark Gardens Botanical Park in Mineral Wells recently. These gardens are open daily year-round and offer glorious displays for the visitor. What began as a small private garden in 1972 is now a 35 acre scientific and educational facility that opened to the public in the year 2000. More than 50 different gardens of native Texas and Texas adaptable plants embrace waterfalls, lakes, ponds and winding pathways. The park has been selected as an All American Rose Selections Test Garden, one of only 26 such gardens in the United States. The group also toured the rose facility that is an official test site in the National EarthKind® Rose Trials. Created by Texas A&M University Extension Specialists, the purpose of this innovative environmental research project is to identify roses that deliver superior landscape performance with minimal care and provide maximum protection for the environment. These trials at Clark Gardens are in partnership with the Parker County Cooperative Extension Office and Parker County Master Gardeners.



Shown at a tour of Clark Gardens are Texas Star Gardeners L-R: Elaine Pogue, Mark Kirk, Joy Rogers, Martha Harrington, Floydene Gilbert, Patsy Clark; Kay Craddock, Caro Boswell, Bonita Moorman and Carolyn Gilbert.

Happenings At FBC!!

Faith! Faith is the bridge between doubt and hope. Put your faith in God!

Mark your calendars:

- October 31st - Fifth Quarter at FBC.
- November 2nd - 11:00am - Special Music by Chad & Melissa Edgington.
- November 3rd - CBA Annual Meeting.
- November 8th - 8:00am - Brotherhood Breakfast at FBC.
- November 9th - 11:00am - Cross Country Band in Concert.
- November 9th - Youth Spaghetti Lunch.
- November 15th - Church Wide Garage Sale and proceeds will benefit Youth Group.
- December 6th - 2:00pm - Save the Date! Bro. Barry and Sharlene's Open House.

McKenzie Osborne's Children Sermon: "Mac Daddy" Osborne played a little game with the children called "Who Do You Trust?". Several children participated. Reading Psalm 23 makes us think someone asked David whom he trusted. All of the children agreed that we could trust God. Trust Jesus with your whole heart and trust Him in all you do.

The FBC Praise Band (Jeff and Angela Clark, David Perry, Justin and Cindy Underwood, and Joe Williams) stirred our spirits with the wonderful music they create to glorify God.

Bro. Barry's message was "Leaning Against the Wind" - Proverbs 3:5 and John 14:1.

Bro. Barry leaned Kortney Seaton toward a fan to demonstrate how the resistance of wind is stronger the closer you get. The Petronas Twin Towers in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia are the world's tallest twin buildings. The cleaning of these buildings was passed on for three generations until one of the men fell to his death because a helicopter blocked the wind current. Lean not on your own understanding!

1. GOD WANTS YOU TO TRUST HIM.

A. Correct your focus. - Simon Peter walked on water until he stopped trusting. You must put your focus on trust the Living God!

B. Check your faith. - You must trust Jesus in all things. Ask yourself, what do you believe in?

2. GOD BLESSES THOSE WHO TRUST HIM.

A. Tell Jesus he has you. - We are human beings with flaws, and, therefore, we cannot trust our own imperfect instincts. Give yourself to Jesus.

B. No mess He cannot clean up. - Turn it all over to Jesus, and do not fight it. Jesus handled it at the cross.

C. Commit your resources. - Life is beyond us, never beyond God. Treasures that really matter are in heaven, not on this earth.

3. GOD IS WORTHY OF TRUST.

A. He is our source of strength. - Trusting Jesus with all of your heart will result in peace and joy. Love one another though Jesus, and be what one another need.

B. Trust equals His Power. - Glory to God! Jesus lives and He has prepared a place for YOU!

The most distressing disease of today is depression because it denies hope. Depression must be diagnosed and treated so lift these that are suffering up in prayer.

DOES GOD TRUST YOU? Only YOU can answer!

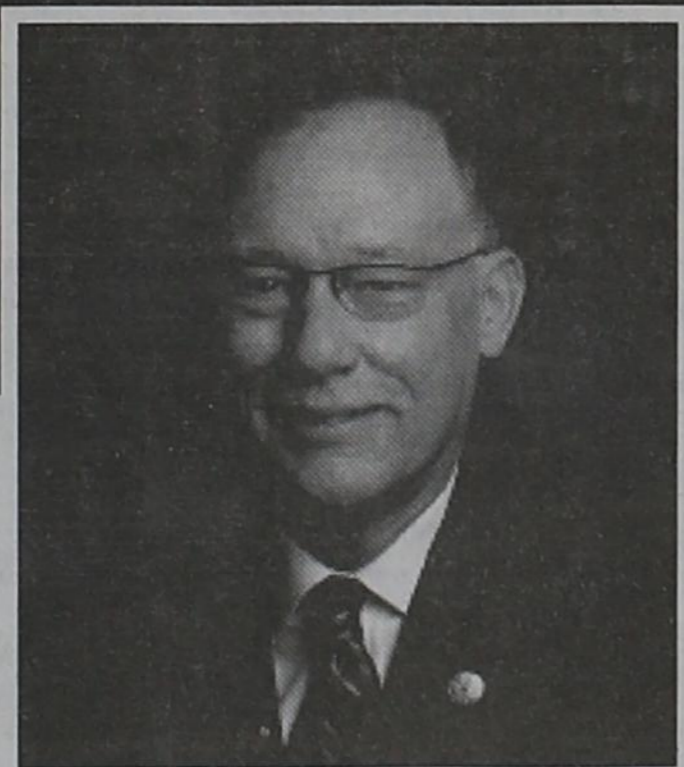
Our Worship Service begins at 11:00AM on Sunday mornings - please come and join us!

Also, our Worship Service is broadcast on the radio - 88.7FM.

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