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GHS Baccalaureate Slated For Sunday, May 22

Sunday, May 22, 2011 7:30 P.M. Senior Class of 2011

Processional
Senior Class

Invocation
G. W. Maxfield

Memories
Senior Class

Baccalaureate Sermon
Barry Schahn, Minister
First Baptist Church

Benediction
Barry Schahn

Recessional
Senior Class

Closing
Nick Heupel, Principal

Mayra Guzman Banuelos
Brice Evan Campbell
Cameron Scott Clark
Troy Isaac Gilder
Lewis Corelle Houston
Jose Eduardo Huerta
Jaime LeAnn Johnston
Matthew Jaye Keith
Jaylon Dawn Miley
Cecilia Yudid Olivares
Abigail Raquel Pacheco
Brittany Michelle Ramirez
Maria Del Refugio Raygoza
Amy Lou Regian
Stephanie Risueno
Daniel Isaias-Guerrero Rivas
Luisa Nereyda Silva
Abigail Valdez Santana
Timothy James Warren
Cody Christopher Wood

Ushers
Jonathan Finley A. J. Vaughn
Erica Madera Dolores Garcia

Gorman High School One-Act Play To Present Performance Of "Hopes And Words and Ordinary Things"

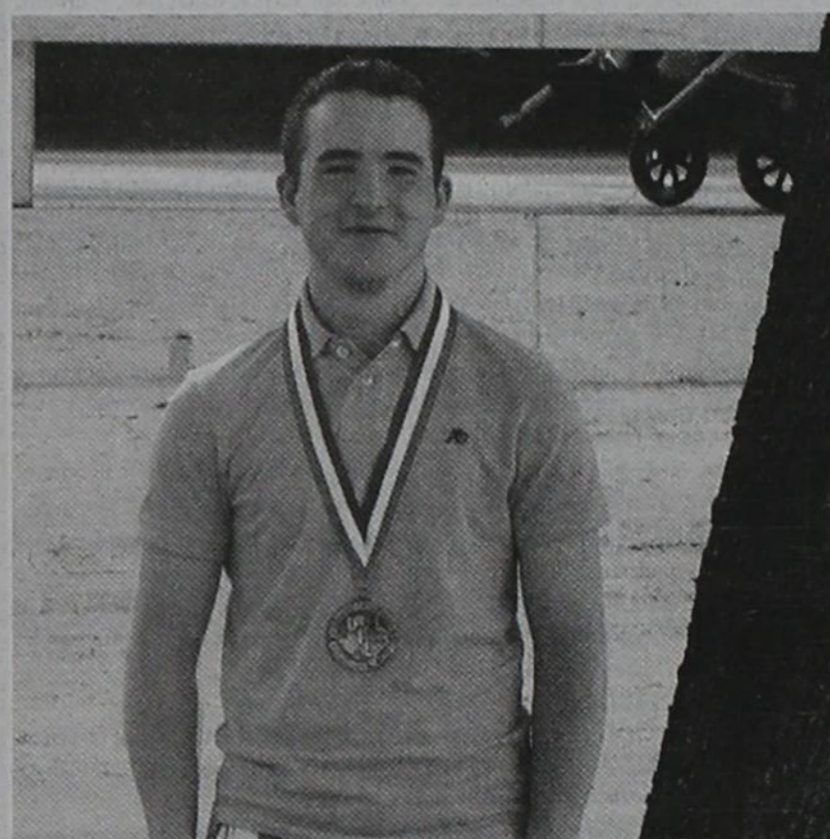
The Cast and Crew Of GHS One-Act Play
Would like to invite you to join us for a
Performance of

"Hopes and Words and Ordinary Things"
The performance will be on Thursday, May 19th
At 7 p.m. In the Gorman ISD Auditorium

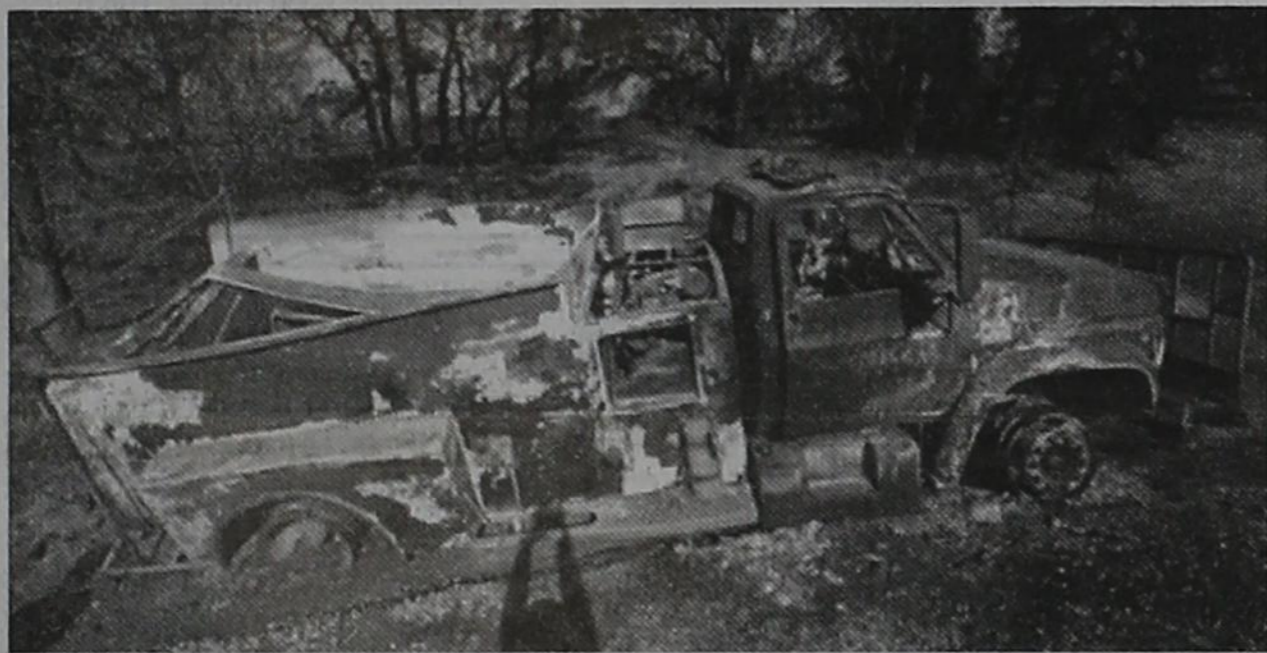
Admission will not be charged, but donations will be accepted.

Corey Houston Places 2nd At State UIL Meet

After a send-off celebration by Gorman High School and Middle School students and faculty, Corey Houston began his journey to the State UIL Academic Meet. Corey competed against 26 other 1A students who had advanced from their respective regions. Upon receiving the final scores, Corey Houston took 2nd place. In addition, Corey was awarded a state medal and earned points for Gorman High School at the state meet. Corey stated, "Taking second at state was a pleasant conclusion to my senior year." Corey's future goals include becoming an Air Force pilot and "taking part in the future of our nation's space endeavor."



Gorman Vol. Fire Department Needs Your Help and Donations



The Gorman Volunteer Fire Department needs your help! During the tragic events of the April 15th wildfire, Gorman VFD truck "Attack 5" was destroyed on Eastland County Road 323. Both the vehicle and associated firefighting and communications equipment were a total loss, and injuries were sustained by all three firefighters staffing the truck. This vehicle was the Gorman VFD's only large brush/attack apparatus in the fleet, and filled a lead role in providing protection on both structure and wildland fires, and must be replaced.

Having only liability insurance coverage, the realized cost of replacement is approximately \$86,000 including the chassis, upfit, and equipment.

In addition to financing options, the Gorman VFD, in cooperation with the City of Gorman, is seeking emergency funding through a FEMA Fire Management Assistance Grant. However if secured, this grant will at best finance only 75 percent of the replacement cost.

Tax deductible donations of any amount can be made to: Gorman VFD Truck Replacement Fund, American State Bank, 115 South Fisher St. Gorman TX, 76454. Or at any American State Bank Branch. Thank you for your support!

EDC Notes

On June 25, 2011 we have the first of the annual FIREMAN'S APPRECIATION DAY. This is a benefit to raise funds and honor our courageous firemen. This is still in the planning stage but I want you to mark it on your calendar and plan to attend.

I understand there is still space if you want to be a part of our Community Garden. A first year garden is hard work, but well worth it. Get in touch with me or Nikki Keith if you are interested.

The month of June will be CLEAN UP MONTH. I need people who are interested in RECLAIM GORMAN to contact me. Invite all your friends and let's get busy making our town more attractive.

I have not tried our new "eating place" in town, but hear that it is a good place to go. I look forward to giving it a try. Welcome to Gorman, Clearwater Catfish!

"42 Lovers" - Old Boom Town Tourney

All of you "42" Lovers won't want to miss the "Old Boom Town 42 Tournament" to be held on Saturday, May 21st at the Old Desdemona School House (Community Center). This will be a sanctioned tournament and registration is at 8 a.m. With free donuts and coffee for the Contestants. Contestants will also receive complimentary gifts and door prizes. A nice meal will be served at noon. There will be a Bake Sale of delicious homemade pastries baked by some of "Texas Best"! Interested teams may Call 254-758-2691 for more information.

You Are Invited!!

Please join us for our Second Annual "Friend and Family Day"

At the Gorman Church of Christ

Sunday, May 22nd at 10:45 a.m.

Brother Jason will be speaking about "The Big Loser."

No, not about the NBC show, but about the great benefit of giving Ourselves completely to Christ. A catered meal will be provided immediately after Worship.

Please join us in Worship and help us to make this a Special Day!!

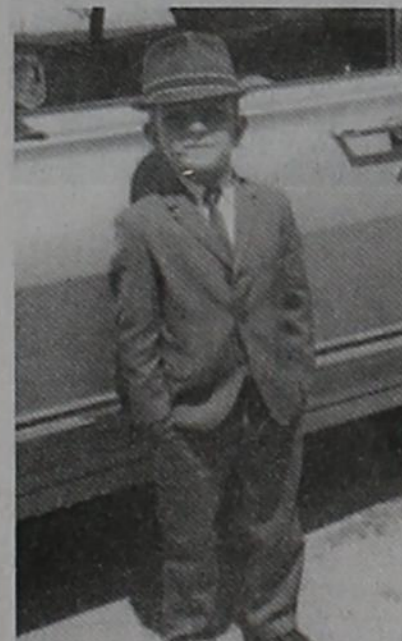
Eastland County Farm Service Agency Staff Receives Award for Administering FSA Programs in an Exemplary Manner

The staff of the Eastland County USDA Farm Service Agency recently received a USDA Certificate of Appreciation from Juan M. Garcia, State Executive Director for the Texas Farm Service Agency. The award was given for "administering Farm Service Agency Programs in an exemplary manner, with no findings, as evidenced by the County Operations Review report completed June 8, 2010."

The review that was conducted was for the 2009 Livestock Forage Program. Congratulations to Rudy Pack, Sharon Curtis, and Clista McNabb for a job well done.



NEWS FLASH!!!



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FREE BOYS PHYSICALS

Dr. Dan will be giving free physical examinations to all incoming 7th through 12th grade boys on May 25th in the new gym at the school.. The exam will began around 2:30. If you have any questions please contact Coach Gerick at the school.

"Thank You"

We Would like to Thank everyone for their prayers and support during the time of Matt's stay at Parkland Memorial Hospital in Dallas, Texas after he was burned in the grassfire on county road 323 on April 15, 2011. All of your prayers, calls, visits, cards, and gifts are appreciated. Words really cannot express how grateful we are for everything and everyone. Matt is home now and healing well plus working on a fast recovery.

Thank You

The Matt Clark Family

"I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me"

Philippians 4:13

NOTICE OF HEARING IN FRONT OF BUILDING AND STANDARDS COMMISSION

- 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
- 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)
- A general description of the improvements: Two story commercial building that has been extensively damaged by fire.
- 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.
- 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 buildings and debris located on the Property, determine the amount of civil penalties for the violation, and consider other lawful orders authorized by the Ordinance.
- Hearing Date and Place: May 23, 2011, 5:30 p.m., Gorman City Hall, City Council Chambers, 116 South Kent Street, Gorman, Texas

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

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

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

Food Bank
New Hours - 10 to 11 a.m.
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 11.917 ACRES, M/L - GORMAN - 1 tank, 1 old water well, mostly mesquite and some oak. Excellent place to build. A3
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"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
INVESTORS - INVESTORS - INVESTORS - Lots of possibilities - 2 story office building & old cafe. C19

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Obituary

Helen Depwe

Helen Depwe, 83, of Desdemona, Texas passed away on Wednesday, May 11, 2011 at Hendrick Medical Center in Abilene, Texas. She was born on July 20, 1927 to Jesse Dow and Nora Baze Dow. She married Archie Depwe on November 28, 1946 in Orange, Texas.



Helen was retired from Sears where she held a position as a catalog sales lady. She was an active member and supporter of the Desdemona Activity Center (DAC) and a member of First Presbyterian Church in Stephenville. She loved making jewelry, attending craft fairs, shopping, camping out and traveling. She enjoyed all holidays, watching American Idol and Dancing With The Stars. Above all, she loved life and her family. She lived every day to the fullest.

She is survived by her son, Randy Depwe and wife Barbara of Flower Mound, Texas; two daughters, Nancy Britt and husband Curtis of Odessa, Texas and Kathy McCarty and husband George of Tulsa, Oklahoma; Sister-in-God, Marie Patty; grandchildren, Dr. Shanna Britt, Andy Depwe, Amy Depwe, Kent Depwe, and Chad Sandell and wife Angie; and one great-grandchild, Cannon Sandell.

Funeral Services were held on Saturday, May 14, 2011 at 10:00 am at Nowlin Anders Funeral Home. Burial followed in Desdemona Cemetery. Rev. Fred Babb officiated the service. Music was provided by LaResse Wilkerson and Vicki Robinett. Pallbearers were Curtis Britt, Andy Depwe, Kent Depwe, Chad Sandell, George McCarty and Randy Schwartz.

Family received friends from 6-8 pm on Friday, May 13, 2011 at the funeral home. Online condolences may be posted to www.nowlinandersfh.com.

Pig Tales From Hogtown

We, here in Desdemona, have lost a great friend. Please keep the family of Helen Depwe in your prayers. Helen passed away quite suddenly and quite unexpectedly last Wednesday. We miss her very much.

The DAC will hold its annual garage sale this Thursday, Friday and Saturday from 8:00 until 5:00 each day. As we began getting ready for this sale, we worried a little that we might not have enough items since we have this sale every year - not to worry! We have had to set up more tables this year than ever and they are overflowing! I know you can find something of interest to you - come and see. We give a huge THANKS to everyone who donated items for our sale and to everyone who supports the DAC in all we do!

Coming activities here at the DAC include our regular 4th Friday dance on May 27th and 'Breakfast at the DAC' on June 4th. It's difficult to believe that we are coming up on June already - where has this year gone!!

Give thanks to God each day for all your blessings.

See you in Desdemona!

Carol Pell
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"On The Wilder Side"

After many years we are finally up to the 21st Century (so to speak) with a brand new church sign and I am really looking forward to using it. It comes complete with service times and a letter board to put up wonderful messages of encouragement, humor, and faith. It even lights up at night time to shine for all the world to see!



Wow, what an illustration! Wouldn't it be great if we could all be a witness for Jesus that our church sign is? I mean, wouldn't it be great if we all stood outside to invite people into the church! What if we invited everyone we saw to come to Bible class on Sunday, Tuesday, and Wednesday and to join us for worship twice on Sunday. What if we gave everyone around us an encouraging message of love and Christian faith. What if we stood firm throughout all the storms of life... even when life's "birds" drop a load of unpleasantness on us. And of course, what if we were always a shining beacon of light to a world of darkness!

Of course, Jesus already calls us to do those things. The truth is, we are the only advertisement Jesus will ever have (**Matt 28:18-20**). He has no "Plan B" when it comes to spreading the Gospel message. If you are a Christian, then you are Jesus' "church sign". You are the light shining in the darkness (**Matt 5:14-16**). You may have the only encouraging word that others may hear throughout the day, so remember to "Let your speech always be with grace, seasoned with salt" (**Col 4:6**). And of course, stand firm through the trials and tests sent our way (**Jam 1:2-8**).

Fight the good fight (1 Tim 6:12) - Jason Wilder
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Last week was National Nursing Home Week, and I apologize as I got so busy that I forgot to turn in the news. So I am including last weeks news with this weeks.

We had a great Mother's Day Social on Friday as we honored all mothers. Mayvis Lasater is our oldest Mother, Christina Crews is our youngest Mother and Faye Huff is our Mother with the most children. Everyone enjoyed the strawberry and short cakes as we reminisced about our mothers.

On Monday we started our National Nursing Home week with "Hat Day" everyone wore a hat. Tuesday was "Western Day" and we ended the day with snow cones. Wednesday was "Tropical Day" and we had a hamburger/hot dog cook out, due to the rain everything was held inside, but we didn't hear any complaining. We would like to thank Johnny Smith for staying out on the patio and cooking our hamburgers and hot dogs. We had lots of visitors who join us and we were honored to have several of our volunteer firemen here and we presented them with some of the Firefighters Care Kits that our residents have put together. Thursday was "Farmers Day" and we ended the day by making individual pizzas. Friday was "Pajama Day" and we ended the day and National Nursing Home week with a "Licker Party" with 9 different flavors of ice cream cones. What a great week we had.

Visiting with Edgar Reynolds were Marge Churchville of White Settlement, Johnny Smith, Billy Earl Simpson, Nelda Mauney and Dena Laney Scitern.

Billy Self visited Christine Self, Frankie Stacy, Troy Scitern, Sunny Kellogg, and Edgar Reynolds. Visiting Ima Brown were Jackie and Jana Grice, Julie and Mallory May, Brittany Burns and Aaron, Ashley and Jackson Grice. Visiting Christina Crews and Faye Huff were Corey Crews and Maria Menchach of Mineral Wells, and Frank Crews.

Visiting with Charles Dyess were David and Diane Dyess of Venus. Visiting Nell Carnally were Tim Bosworth of Abilene and Charles and Nell Kennedy of Olden. Laveren Carr visited her mother, Troy Scitern. Visiting Frankie Stacy were Mr. and Mrs. Gary Hatbox and Maxine Huddleston. Bill Shelton of Cleburne and Ellwelle Hammon of DeLeon visited Claudie Shelton. Lisa Morrow and Lenora Speers of Ranger came and brought Jud Thompson a cake on his birthday on Wednesday.

Shane Caraway of Valley Mills, Dena and Laney Scitern and Bo Caraway visited Rozelle Caraway. Rozelle went out to her daughters, Kathy Scitern, house on Saturday.

Visiting Leta Hogan were Elaine Eaves of Albany, Eddie Hogan and Carroll Wayne Hogan.

Our administrator, Tim Thomas, and our ADON, Quona Fron were at Comanche County Medical Center on Thursday for the Health Fair.

Our monthly birthday party will be held on Monday May 23, following gospel singing come and join us.

Have a good week.

Happenings At FBC!!!

Integrity! Your word can be trusted if your actions prove true. May you find your reputation to be built on integrity.

Mark your calendars:

May 22nd - 7:30pm - Baccalaureate Service at High School Auditorium - See you there!

June 6th thru 10th - VBS - Please pray for this Special Event & call Church Office to Volunteer.

**Nikki Keith is leading the task to create a "Gorman Community Garden" - please call the Church Office to get Nikki's phone number if you are interested in helping or donating tools.

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 squeezed a tube of toothpaste into a cup; then asked the children if they could get the toothpaste back into to tube. The children responded, "No." The Bible tells us that careless words stab like a sword and wise words bring healing. Words are like toothpaste that has been squeezed out of a tube; once words come out of our mouth we can't get them back. Think before we speak. Use nice words to heal and not mean words to hurt.

"Disciple Now 2011" - "Do You Know the Way?" led by Justin Southall, FBC Youth Pastor.

Jesus is The Way, The Truth & The Life (John 14:6). The Way is Walking in Truth. The Youth stayed in host homes May 13th thru 15th and their time was fun filled & action packed with Community Service, Games, Bible Study, Worship Service, and of course Food & Snacks.

Four Youth shared their "D-Now Testimonies" - Cortney, Kinsey, BJ, & Rhys. All were thankful to Justin & Katie for arranging "D-Now", and thankful to Carlie & Chauncy that came from HPU to work them. The Speaker (Dr. Rusty Wheelington) and the messages were powerful and made a difference in their lives. They learned that there is clearly a wrong direction and a right direction. You choose the darkness or you choose the light. Rhys said, "God showed him how much fun life can be if you just go the right direction."

Message "What It Is To Be At Peace - John 20:19-26" Dr. Rusty Wheelington, HPU Professor

I. Are You At Peace? - Peace with one another is often tolerance. What is peace that Christ speaks about? When asked if you're upset about something do you say No in a tone that means Yes and expect the other person to know? When you are not at peace and you're sitting at the table going through the motions the food doesn't even taste good.

II. How Do You Know If You Are At Peace? - For some people having a good day is considered peace. You may feel accepted by God, but may not feel at peace with Him. Do you have to see to believe? Jesus came to bring peace to God and to man. Jesus prayed to His Father and relied on His Father not just one day but also a lifetime. Get it right now, Jesus commanded us to love our neighbors and love the unlovable. Live your life full right now; heaven is the reward for your life lived. There will be bad days, catastrophes, struggles, challenges, however in all of it you may have an undercurrent of joy in the Lord.

III. First Love God Thru Christ. Second Love Others With Christ. - "Peace Be With You" is not merely a greeting. Loving God first with the knowledge that the only way to the Father is through Christ, and Loving all others with Christ are the two things that will bring you Peace. Ask yourself, "Am I at Peace with God?" Only YOU know the answer.

One young lady responded to the Invitation and came forward to have prayer with Bro Barry.

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 Morning - please come & join us! Remember: God loves you like no one else! Email: fbcgorman@hotmail.com

BREAKFAST -- MONDAY - Cereal, Yogurt, Juice, and Milk.

TUESDAY - Breakfast Pizza, Hashbrown, Juice, and Milk.

WEDNESDAY - Chefs Choice.

THURSDAY - Chefs Choice.

FRIDAY - Chefs Choice.

LUNCH -- MONDAY - Chicken Noodle - Veg. Beef Soup, Grilled Cheese, Pickle Spears, Crackers, Chips, Oranges and Milk. No Salad Bar

TUESDAY - Chicken Spaghetti or Ham & Turkey Sandwich, Corn, Bread Stick, Fruit and Milk. No Salad Bar

WEDNESDAY - Chefs Choice. No Salad Bar.

THURSDAY - Chefs Choice. No Salad Bar.

FRIDAY - Chefs Choice. No Salad Bar.

Desdemona News

By Vonnie Guthery

First Baptist Church of Desdemona had 38 in attendance on Sunday for the morning service. Our church has four Sunday School Classes - Men's, Ladies, Youth and Children's and each class had several members to attend. Bro. Charlie and Jana were proud to have their son, Chad, his wife and daughter, Corley of San Angelo to visit Church on Sunday. Next Sunday, May 22nd our Church will honor Estelle Lindley and help celebrate her 95th Birthday. Visitors are welcome to attend Sunday School at 10 a.m. And 11 a.m. For the Morning Service.

First Baptist Church of Desdemona will host a "Summer Time Kick Off Rally" on Friday, May 20th at 6 p.m. There will be Games, Music and Door Prizes. Nick Cooper of Stephenville will be the guest speaker. Clayton Voigt, a Tarleton State University student will provide the music with his guitar. Youth (6th to 12th grade) are invited to attend. If you have plans to attend contact Brittany Shirley at 254-433-0003 as we need a head count for the evening meal.

All of you "42" Lovers won't want to miss the "Old Boom Town 42 Tournament" to be held on Saturday, May 21st at the Old Desdemona School House (Community Center). This will be a sanctioned tournament and registration is at 8 a.m. With free donuts and coffee for the Contestants. Contestants will also receive complimentary gifts and door prizes. A nice meal will be served at noon. There will be a Bake Sale of delicious homemade pastries baked by some of "Texas Best"! Interested teams may Call 254-758-2691 for more information.

Mildred Million and her great granddaughter, Hallie Million of De Leon attended a Dedicatory Ceremony at the Hittson Family Cemetery near Mineral Wells on May 7th. The Cemetery was recognized by the Palo Pinto County Historical Commission as being a Texas Historic Cemetery. Mildred was honored as being a former member of the Commission and in receiving a Historical Marker for the Cemetery in 1982.

"Happy Birthday" to our friend and neighbor, Estelle (Robbins) Lindley in the Jakehamon Community. She will celebrate her 95th Birthday on Saturday, May 21st with family and friends.

Friends of Desdemona send sympathy to the family of Helen Depwe of Desdemona. Survivors include a son and two daughters, grandchildren and friends. Burial was on Saturday, May 14th in the Desdemona Cemetery. Preceded in death by her husband, Archie Depwe.

Friends of Desdemona send sincere sympathy to the family of Tommy John Williams, 82, of Graford. Burial was Thursday, May 12, 2011 in the Desdemona Cemetery. Survivors include his wife, Gladys Williams of Graford; cousin, "Jerry" (Northcutt) Underwood of Gorman; neice, nephews; a special friend and classmate, Homer Joe Sparkman of Stephenville and a host of friends. Preceded in death by his parents, Doyle and Elizabeth (Northcutt) Williams; sister, Sammie Ruth (Williams) Salicco; grandparents, Tom and Eula Northcutt. Williams family are former residents of Desdemona where Tommy John attended school and graduated with the Class of 1946.

A Letter To The Editor - About the People of Japan

By Henry A. Buchanan

In the wake of World War II Bob Culpepper and I were finishing school and waiting for God to send us somewhere to preach the Gospel of Jesus. Bob, a Georgia boy like me, said "God is sending me to Japan to teach the Japanese people about Jesus."

I said "Good luck. Maybe the Japanese people will teach you about Hiroshima and Nagasaki."

Me? I said "God is sending me back to Georgia to teach my own people that Jesus loves the little black children the same as He loves the little white children."

Bob wished me "Good luck." He went to Japan and I went to Georgia. I had bad luck. After three years the people hanged me in effigy, burned in a vacant lot in town and fired me from the pulpit.

Bob did better in Japan. The Japanese people let him stay and tell them about Jesus. They also built a better car than American automakers were producing, and Nagasaki and Hiroshima became history. Some of the Japanese people even listened to Bob when he told them about Jesus.

Now Japan has been hit a triple whammy: Earthquake, Tsunami, nuclear threat. And the question is: what is the challenge? What is the opportunity for America? Will we tell the Japanese people that Bob Culpepper was right about Jesus? Or will we let the history of Nagasaki and Hiroshima be what the Japanese people will remember about America?

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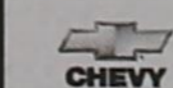
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Matt was burned fighting a structure fire around Gorman on April 15, 2011. He underwent Skin grafts on his hands at Parkland Burn Unit in Dallas. Matt is a member of the Gorman Volunteer Fire Department. A fund has been set up for Matt and family to help offset expenses during this time while he is unable to work.



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2,843 Reasons for Texans to Celebrate

Texans will have a lot to celebrate in May 2011. Since the "Click It or Ticket" campaign first began in 2002, over 2,800 fatalities, 48,000 serious injuries, and \$10 billion in related costs were prevented by increased seat belt use in Texas. The seat belt usage rate in Texas prior to the campaign start was only 76.1 percent. According to the Texas Transportation Institute, in 2010 the usage rate had gone to almost 94 percent.

We have come a long way, but there is still more work to be done. Through traffic fatalities are down, motor vehicle crashes are still the leading cause of death for Texans. In 2009, more than 3,000 Texans died in vehicle crashes, and nearly half of those killed were unbuckled! Unfortunately, there are some groups that are still resistant to wearing their seat belt - young drivers as well as pickup truck drivers and their passengers have a lower usage rate. Getting pickup truck drivers and passengers to buckle up is especially important because pickup trucks are twice as likely to roll over as passenger vehicles. In fact, wearing your seat belt reduces the risk of fatal injury by 45 percent, and in pickups, that number increases to 60 percent!

The success of the "Click It or Ticket" campaign has been a combination of education and enforcement. Soon you will be seeing advertising and message boards proclaiming the beginning of this year's campaign. Thousands of officers will be putting in extra hours to increase enforcement of seat belt laws during the "Click It or Ticket" campaign period of May 23 through June 5, which includes Memorial Day weekend. The officers' real mission is to save lives. For every single percentage point our usage rate goes up, many lives are saved and many serious injuries are prevented.

Since 2009, the seat belt law in Texas requires all passengers - both front and back - to buckle up in every position where there is a seat belt. The law also includes 12 and 15 passenger vans. For children, the law states that all children under age 8 unless taller than 4'9" need to be in a child safety seat system. For best practice, keep children under 4'9" tall in booster seat until the vehicle seat belt fits them properly.

Our goal this year is to get every Texas to always buckle up, on every trip, every time so we can celebrate more lives saved next year!

For more information, see <http://www.texasclickitorticket.com> or contact Halee Mitchell Eastland County Extension Agent at 254/629-2222 or hdmitchell@ag.tamu.edu.

Senior Citizens News

By Carol Ward

Due to the bad weather on May 11th we only had ten people here for lunch. Some that were here left and took their food with them. HA! I had planned on Pizza and mixed salad, so that was mainly it. For once we all had plenty of Pizza for each of us. HA! Jennifer Overstreet, who I call Jill half the time, Sorry Jill and Jennifer. Anyway she brought some good corn with cream cheese, sure is tasty. Jill Rainey brought some beans. So we had a little of this and that.

We only had 1/2 a cake. So Anne Buchanan saved the day with a peach cobbler and some cookies. Thanks to Henry for saying the prayer for all of us. I thought we had the other half of Wilburn Overstreets Birthday cake in our freezer. But no, someone had taken it. So sure messed up our planning. People you must stop taking the Seniors food!!!! What's in the freezer is OURS. It is a pity we can't use the freezer as it should be. I guess we might have to put a lock on it like the Pantry. That's why Anna Rush had a lock put there, as other folks would go in and use our goods. These goods are bought with our money for us. I guess we will have a sign put on the freezer.

Not much to write about, hope on the 18th we will have a better turnout. Could be raining again, but hopefully not those big lightening storms. We did get 3 inches of rain, so wonderful for all - Carol.

PETS

How Do You Define "Natural"?

NewsUSA

(NU) - It's safe to say neither cats nor dogs give one whisker about whether the products they use are eco-friendly. Yet more pet owners do - and the pet industry is responding.

The exploding popularity of sustainable living has manifested itself in an increasing number of products being marketed as eco-friendly options for earth-conscious owners of all types of pets. Walk down the aisle of your local grocery store, and you'll see countless bags and boxes whose now-leafy labels boast "green," "natural," or "organic" claims.

However, the definition of "green" remains the subject of much debate. Look no further than cat litter for an example of how the "natural" line is blurred: Clay - the main ingredient in a large majority of litters - is often touted as being "natural," but it requires strip-mining and can contain silica dust that carries the potential of damaging the lungs of people and pets. In fact, most cat litters are made out of minerals that can technically be described as "natural," but that doesn't necessarily mean they are sustainable, biodegradable or healthy if ingested or inhaled.

The question you must ask yourself, as a pet owner, is whether the products you choose actually live up to their eco-friendly billing or whether they are using "green-washing" - a term used to describe how companies use marketing gimmicks to make their product only seem more natural.



Is your cat litter healthy for you, your cat and the planet?

One company, World's Best Cat Litter, urges customers to scrutinize labels to make sure that you're getting the type of natural products you demand. They define "natural" as products made of naturally occurring ingredients that are biodegradable, healthy, safe and derived from renewable resources. World's Best Cat Litter uses the power of natural, whole-kernel corn to stop odor in its tracks. It's grown and is digestible, dust-free and lacking any chemical additives.

Reinforcing their commitment to high standards, in addition to the original Clumping and Multiple Cat Clumping Formulas, World's Best Cat Litter has also launched a truly "natural" scented formula providing consumers who prefer a scented litter with an all-natural lavender oil option - once again proving you don't have to sacrifice the planet to meet consumer demands.

For more information, visit www.worldsbestcatlitter.com.

HEALTH

Preventive Care for People With Diabetes

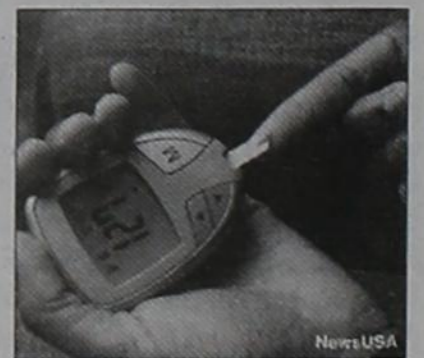
NewsUSA

(NU) - Preventive care is a critical component of limiting lifetime complications for persons with diabetes. According to the Society for Vascular Surgery, when complications develop, aggressive management of contributing factors to atherosclerosis (hardening of the arteries) is also very important to managing the disease and preventing stroke, heart attack and leg amputations.

Careful maintenance of the blood glucose level is important to treat diabetes aggressively. This is accomplished by frequent glucose checks and appropriate insulin injections. Insulin pumps for selected patients may further expedite close blood glucose control. Watching the dietary intake of sugar also allows for closer regulation of blood glucose. Commitment to an approved diabetic diet can be the best investment a person with diabetes can make.

People with diabetes, both type I and type II, should discuss the condition of their arteries and blood vessels with their doctor. Atherosclerosis is a known side-effect of long-term diabetes that, in the worse-case scenarios, may lead to blockages in the diabetic's heart, brain or leg arteries. This risk is reduced significantly if diabetics are able to quit smoking, lower their cholesterol, take anti-platelet medications and pursue a heart-healthy diet and exercise program.

Many recent studies show that aggressive management of blood glucose immediately following heart or vascular surgery improves outcomes in patients with



Controlling blood-glucose levels can help diabetics keep their circulatory systems healthy.

diabetes. This management frequently includes a carefully monitored intravenous continuous infusion of insulin even if the patient does not typically require insulin to manage their diabetes. This treatment can lower the chances of infections and other adverse events for the diabetic patient in the month following surgery.

If you have diabetes, see a vascular surgeon to care for your arteries and blood vessels. Today's vascular surgeons are the only specialists who are skilled in all vascular therapies. They are comprehensively trained in medical, endovascular (minimally invasive) and surgical therapies. Vascular surgeons are the experts who provide the best diagnosis and treatment for vascular conditions.

To learn more about your vascular health and to find a vascular surgeon, visit the Society for Vascular Surgery's Web site at www.VascularWeb.org.

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