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Order Restricting Outdoor Burning

WHEREAS, the Commissioners Court has determined that circumstances present in all or part of the unincorporated area of the county create a public safety hazard that would be exacerbated by outdoor burning;

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED by the Commissioners Court of Eastland County that all outdoor burning is banned in the unincorporated area of the county for 90 days from the date of adoption of this Order, unless the restrictions are terminated earlier based on a determination made by the Texas Forest Service or this Court. This Order is adopted pursuant to Local Government Code 204.906, and other applicable statutes. This order does not prohibit outdoor burning activities related to public health and safety that are authorized by the Texas Natural Resources Commission for (1) firefighter training; (2) public utility, natural gas pipeline or mining operations; or (3) planting or harvesting of agricultural crops; or (4) burns that are conducted by a prescribed burn manager certified under Section 153.048, Natural Resources Code, and meet the standards of Section 153.047, Natural Resources Code.

In accordance with Local Government Code 204.906(h), a violation of this Order is a Class C misdemeanor, punishable by a fine not to exceed \$500.00.

ADOPTED this 27th day of March, 2006, by a vote of 4 ayes and 0 nays.
(s) Brad Stephenson
County Judge, Brad Stephenson

Attest: (s) Cathy Jentho, County Clerk

"Glorify" To Perform At FBC



First Baptist Church would like to invite everyone to come and enjoy the beautiful music performed by Daryl Hirst and Brenda Thomas of "Glorify" at First Baptist Church, Sunday Morning, April 9th at 11:00 a.m.

Remember Daylight Saving Time starts on Sunday April 2 so be sure and run your clocks forward an hour on Saturday night so you won't be late for church on Sunday morning.

The Messengers In Concert At Eastland's Majestic Theater

The Messengers will be concert at Eastland's Majestic Theater this Thursday, March 30th at 7:00 p.m. to benefit the Eastland Kiwanis Club. Tickets are \$5.00 at the door.

Folks from Gorman and the surrounding area are well acquainted with our popular home grown Christian music band known as The Messengers: Glen Clement, Jeff Seaton, Jeff Clark and Tommy Clark. However, since these guys are not prone to bragging, most folks don't know what God has accomplished through this group of men who all proudly call Gorman their home town. The following are some Messengers highlights from the past four years:

The Messengers are currently listed as having the #36 song in the nation according to the US GOSPEL NEWS Christian Country Gospel Music Guild's top 100. This is the second time The Messengers have had a top 40 charting song nationally, according to POWER SOURCE MAGAZINE.

The Messengers have had six straight top 5 hits in Europe, including one song that reached Number One.

The Messengers have shared the stage at various times with some of the biggest names in Christian music. They have appeared on national TV and showcased at one of gospel music's largest events, The National Quartet Convention in Louisville, Kentucky (annual attendance 40,000 people per year). They performed at Will Rogers Auditorium in Fort Worth before the state-wide convention of Texas Southern Baptist churches. They continue to minister at churches of various denominations and sizes throughout the state of Texas and beyond.

According to radio logs, The Messengers are being played weekly literally around the world. Radio stations from such diverse places as throughout Europe, New Zealand, Japan, Canada, South America, Australia, Africa, Asia and the South Pacific islands all report playing Messengers music on a regular basis.

The Messengers were nominated for a first round Dove Awards in 2005 for their CHILDREN OF LIGHT cd. Christian music luminaries such as Bill Gaither and Roger Bennet (of Cathedrals fame) have personally complemented their music. The Messengers' music has generated critical acclaim from music journalists from around the world.

The Messengers have been featured in many leading music periodicals, including: POWER SOURCE MAGAZINE, COUNTRY MUSIC ROUND UP MAGAZINE (Europe), SINGING NEWS MAGAZINE, PATHFINDER MAGAZINE (Europe) and U.S. GOSPEL NEWS.

Messengers music has been recorded and released by many other gospel groups from around the world, including the legendary Florida Boys of Gaither Homecoming fame and TV's long running "Gospel Music Jubilee" show.

Appearing with The Messengers will be Richard Rossander of The Singing Men of Texas, Elvis impersonator Chad Edgington from Lubbock's Cactus Theater, KOXE radio personality Marvin McKeehan, and a group from Eastland call Cross Walk. For more information about The Messengers, visit www.messengersmusic.com.

Irene West Honored With A 90th Birthday Party

Irene was honored with a Birthday Celebration on Saturday, March 11, 2006 at the Gorman Hotel.

Family and friends came from far and near to honor her with their presence. Over 100 registered for the party and we know there were those that did not get registered.

Cake, punch, nuts, mints, and cookies were served to all. There was lots of visiting among all who came.

Sunday morning there were two pews full of her family taht worshiped at First Baptist Church. Irene was honored with a "Special Song" by Joe Williams, a grandson.

I want to "Thank" each one for the love that was bestowed on me this special day and since. I am still receiving cards, phone calls, and gifts.

Thank You, Dear Ones!
Irene West

Lions Club To Hold Blood Drive Monday, April 3

The Lions Club will sponsor a Community Blood Drive on Monday, April 3. The Meek Blood Center Bloodmobile will accept Blood Donations at the City Park from noon until 6:00 p.m. The blood drive held on February 6 resulted in twenty six pints of blood. Those who gave blood at that drive are eligible to give blood on April 3.

Many different types of patients benefit from donated blood. A cancer patient undergoing chemotherapy may use six or more pints of blood during treatment. An accident or trauma victim was use an many as forty pints of blood while as little as three teaspoons of blood can save the life of a premature baby. "There is no substitute for human blood," said Frances Baker, donor recruiter for Meek Blood Center. "It is truly the gift of life that is given from a healthy person to someone whose life is dependent on a volunteer blood donor."

Blood donors must be a minimum of 17 years of age, weigh at least 110 pounds and in good health. Those who have questions regarding donor eligibility may call Meek Blood Center at 325-670-2798 or visit the website at www.meekbloodcenter.org.

Each donor will receive a T-shirt and a free total cholesterol test. Cholesterol results are available three days after the blood drive.

Easter Treasure Hunt

The Annual Gorman Easter Treasure Hunt will be held on Saturday, April 15, 2006 at 2:00 in the City Park. There will be 5 age groups again this year. Infant: 1 year old and under. Child MUST be able to sit alone to participate.

2-3 year olds, 4 years old thru kindergarten, 1 & 2 grades and 3 & 4th grades.

In case of rain, the hunt will be held the following Saturday. Mrs. Bunny is sorry she missed all the children last year and has ask to be able to come even if it rains and set up in the Sr. Citizen building to visit with them.

NOTICE!!DONATIONS NEEDED. ACCEPTING CASH, EGGS, TREASURES, CANDY,(NO CHOCOLATE PLEASE) CHIPS, CRACKERS, ETC. DONATIONS MAY BE LEFT AT BOB'S GRO., CITY GRO. OR SMITH'S SERVICE STATION.

For more information call 254-734-270 and leave a message.

Democratic and Republican Runoff Election Dates

Democratic and Republican Runoff Election Dates have been set:

EARLY VOTING - April 3 thru 7, 2006

ELECTION DAY - April 11, 2006

Precincts Authorized To Vote:

Polling Location: EASTLAND - Eastland; **RANGER** - Olden, Ranger, Desdemona and Lake Leon; **RISING STAR** - Gorman, Carbon, and Rising Star; **CISCO** - Cisco; **EARLY** - ALL.

Combined Election Day Polling Locations Are:

Precinct One - Eastland County Courthouse - 100 West Main, Eastland

Precinct Three - Ranger

Ranger Community Center - 718 Pine Street, Ranger

Precinct Seven - Rising Star City Hall - 104 N. Miller, Rising Star

Precinct Eight - Cisco

Conrad Hilton Center - 309 Conrad Hilton Ave., Cisco

Other Voting Places:

Olden Community Center, 106 County Road 447, Olden

Desdemona Community Center, 6005 Hwy 8, Desdemona

Gorman Senior Citizens Center, 118 S. Kent, Gorman

Lone Cedar County Club and Golf Course, 603 County Road 570, Eastland

Birdsong Peanuts Makes Local Donations

Max Grice, Vice President and General Manager of Birdsong Peanuts/SW Division is pleased to announce that Birdsong will be making area donations to the Gorman Baseball Commission, Gorman Volunteer Fire Department, Gorman School PTO, along with donations to the Carbon community. Once again, these contributions are being made with the hopes that they will be of some benefit to each organization in carrying out their worthwhile programs for the 2006 year.

Senior Citizens Met Wednesday

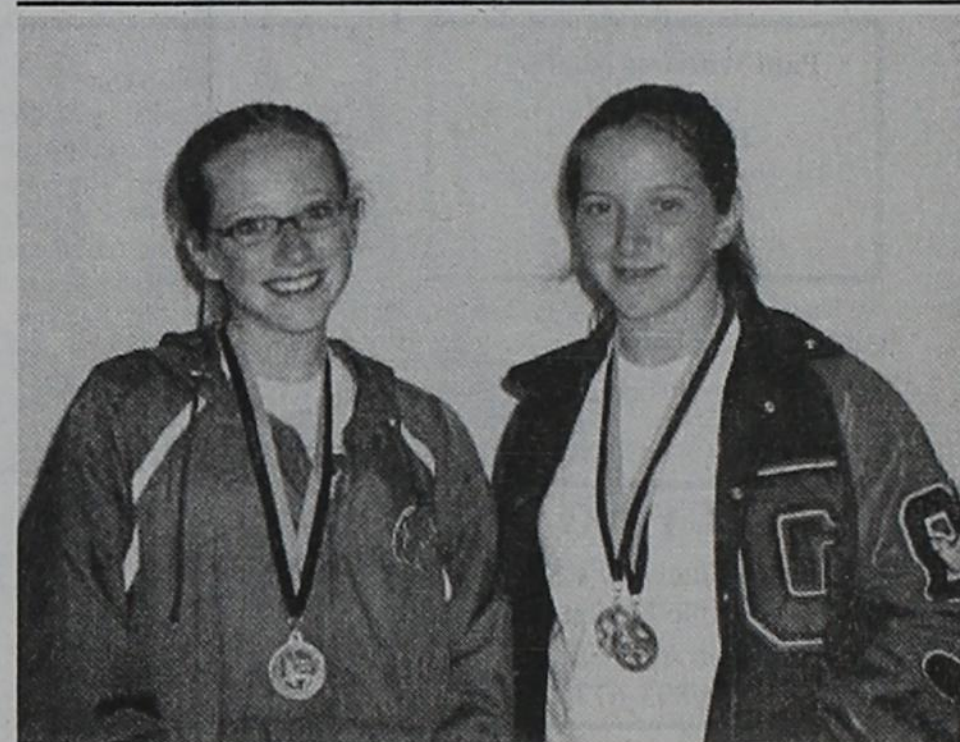
The Senior Citizens met at the Center on Wednesday, March 22 at 11:30 a.m. Barbara Bush called to order. Wilburn Overstreet gave Thanks. We sang Happy Birthday to Annie Fay Foster. It was good to see Beth Shirley. She looked wonderful and is now receiving treatment in Stephenville. We had 32 in attendance. All enjoyed a good meal and visiting.

Also had a playday on March 24th at the center. There were 10 in attendance. All had a good time playing different games. Hope more will come on future dates at 5 P.M. Joy Rogers was appointed Activity Director for our evenings.

Lady Panthers Defeat Ranger

The Lady Panther softball team earned another district win with a 14-4 victory over the Lady Bulldogs of Ranger. Brandy Carlton was 4 for 5 with 3 singles, a double, 2 stolen bases, and 3 runs scored. Megan Lewis was 1 for 5 with a double and a RBI. Nikki Keith was 2 for 4 with a double, a triple, a RBI, a stolen base, and 2 runs scored. Kendra Swanner was 1 for 3 with a walk, a double, a RBI, and 2 runs scored. Audrey Johnston was 4 for 4 with 2 singles, a triple, inside the park home run, 5 RBI's, 2 stolen bases, and 3 runs scored. Valerie Longoria was 2 for 4 with a walk, 2 doubles, a RBI, a stolen base, and 2 runs scored. Tacia Jones was 1 for 4 with a single and a RBI. Reba Granado was 1 for 4 with a single and 2 RBI. Holly Wright played defense for the Lady Panthers as well. The Lady Panthers are now 2-2 in district play and 8-5 on the season. Gorman has four games left after finishing the first round of district. There is still a battle for what looks like a second place spot and a trip to the play-offs (The top two teams go, next year three teams will go to the play-offs). Eula is 4-0 in district, Albany is 3-1, Gorman is 2-2, Ranger is 1-3, and Baird is 0-4. The Lady Panthers will take on the Lady Lions of Albany here at 4:30 on Friday March 31st. This is a must win for our Ladies, so come out and support your Lady Panther Softball Team.

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Ranger	0	1	3	0	0	0	X	4	5	5
Gorman	4	0	3	2	3	2	X	14	18	2

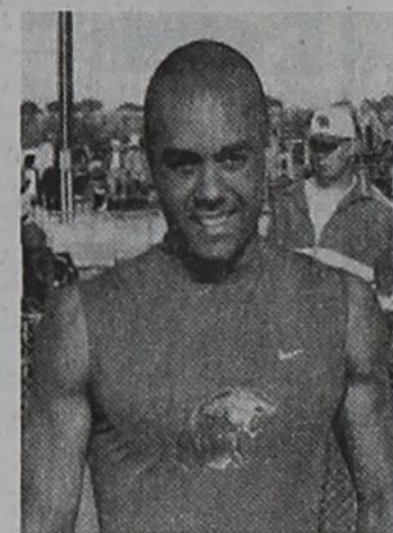


The Lady Panthers did well at the Goldthwaite Track Meet. Two ladies medaled in the meet. Mary Powell placed 3rd in the 3200M, and Megan Lewis placed 2nd in the 300M hurdles, and third in the 100M hurdles. The girls are looking forward to the Breckenridge meet on Saturday, April 1st: Good Luck!

Panthers Compete At Goldthwaite Track Meet

Field Events: High Jump- Orlando Rodriguez 5th place with a jump of 5'6"; Long Jump- Orlando Rodriguez 4th place with a jump of 18'-3".

Running Events: 400 Meter Relay- David Ibarra, Reggie Sanchez, Orlando Rodriguez, Corey Brown 5th place with a time of 46.65 sec.; 100Meter Dash- Corey Brown 1st place with a time of 10.80 sec.; Reggie Sanchez 5th place with a time of 11.49 sec.; 200 Meter Dash Corey Brown 2nd place with a time of 23.62 sec.; 800 Meter Relay- David Ibarra, Zach Bryan, Gabe Burt, Orlando Rodriguez, 5th place with a time of 1:42.49 sec.



At the Goldthwaite Track Meet Saturday, Cory Brown placed 1st in the 100M dash with a 10.8 second run. Cory also placed 2nd in the 200M. The Panthers and Lady Panthers will run in Breckenridge April 1st. Let's give them our support!

Panther Track Team Places Second At Roscoe Meet

(March 18, 2006)

Field Events: High Jump- Orlando Rodriguez 2nd place with a jump of 5'4"; Long Jump- Orlando Rodriguez 4th place with a jump of 18'-21/1", Corey Brown 5th place with a jump of 18'-2".

Running Events: 400 Meter Relay- David Ibarra, Reggie Sanchez, Matt Underwood, Corey Brown 1st place with a time of 46.05 sec.; 110 Meter Hurdles- Orlando Rodriguez 5th place with a time of 19.09 sec.; 100Meter Dash- Corey Brown 2nd place with a time of 11.56 sec.; Reggie Sanchez 4th place with a time of 11.89 sec.; 800 Meter Relay- Aaron Keith, Zach Bryan, Gabe Burt, Orlando Rodriguez 5th place with a time of 1:46.91 sec.; 400 Meter Dash- David Ibarra 2nd place with a time of 57.52 sec.;

200 Meter Dash- Corey Brown 1st place with a time of 24.29 sec.; Reggie Sanchez 2nd place with a time of 24.70 sec.; Matt Underwood 5th place with a time of 25.07 sec.\

**** The boys team took second place over all with 80 points.

Junior High Boys Compete At Comanche Track Meet

Running Events: 100 Meter Dash- Tyler Johnson 2nd place with a time of 12.56 sec.; 1600 Meter Relay- Justin Little, Cameron Clark, Taylor Chew, Tyler Johnson 6th place with a time of 4:43.00 sec.; 110 Hurdles Cameron Clark 5th place with a time of 20.46 sec.

**** Other members of the team are; Ben Burgess, Eric Ryon, Alex Giles, Poncho Raygoza, Kiefer Wilson, Matt Keith, and Randy Woodall. The boys will compete in the district meet on April 4th in Cross Plains.

Fund Started For Cathy Jentho

Friends of Cathy Jentho have opened up an account to help defray her legal expenses. If you would like to help Cathy pay her attorney, court cost, etc. please make a contribution to Cathy Jentho, Special Account, at Farmers & Merchants Bank (F&M Bank) at Eastland. The Account number is 633615. Thank you.

Obituaries

Janette Isbell Payne

Janette Isbell Payne went home to her Lord and Savior on March 26, 2006.

Janette was a Christian and southern Baptist all of her life. She was born to William Henry and Nettie Bell Myers Isbell on January 23, 1923 in Jones County, Texas. She grew up in Gorman, Texas, where she played basketball and graduated salutatorian of her high school class. Janette married Ronald Payne on February 21, 1953. They resided in Snyder, San Antonio, and San Angelo during their 50 years of marriage. Janette

and Ronald had one son, Ronny Payne and one daughter, Jean Ann Gassiot. Janette worked at Meadow Creek Nursing Center for the past 16 years. She loved each of the patients whom she cared. Janette was a wonderful mother, grandmother, and friend. She always let those that she loved know how very precious that they were.

Survivors include: son Ronny Payne (Mikki) of Belton, Texas, daughters, Jean Ann Gassiot (Billy) of San Angelo; four grandchildren: Ryan and Leah Payne, and Zan and Heath Gassiot; one brother, Dearrell

Vera Lavelle West

Vera Lavelle West, age 89, of De Leon, Texas passed away on Wednesday, March 22, 2006 in Colorado Springs, Colorado. Services were held Sunday, March 26, 2006 at 2:00 p.m. at St. Joe Baptist Church with Jackie Auvenshine officiating. Music by Michael Stone. Interment was in De Leon Cemetery.

Vera was born on August 16, 1916 in Comanche County, Texas to the late George Parker and Minnie Cheek Parker. She married Cleo Jenkins on March 19, 1938 in Granbury; he preceded her in death in 1981. She married George F. "Curly" West on December 14, 1984 in De Leon; he preceded February 11, 2004.

She was a homemaker; employed for many years at Hollywood Vassarette in Eastland; lifelong resident of De Leon and a member of St. Joe Baptist Church. Survivors include one daughter, Barbara Knudson and husband Paul of Colorado Springs, Colorado; three grandchildren, Paula Wulf of Nashville, TN; Timothy Knudson of Canon City, Co., and Norma Robertson and husband, Dale of Colorado Springs, CO.; 4 great-grandchildren, Stevie Cannell, Michael Stone, David Nicholas and Joshua Robertson and one great-great-granddaughter Andrea Lynn Cannell.

Also preceded by her daughter, Norma Jenkins in 1965; four brothers, Alvin, Joe, Roy and Harvey Parker and two sisters, Zetta Mathis and Carrie Atchison.

Pallbearers were Don Brown, Benny Morris, Ted Nowlin, Terry Nowlin, Kevin Morgan, Gerald Fronk and Jerry Fronk.

Memorials may be made to: Pikes Peak Hospice, 825 Pikes Peak Avenue, Suite 600, Colorado Springs, CO. 80903-3624.

Howard R. Speegle

Howard R. Speegle, age 100 of Stephenville, Texas, formerly of De Leon passed away at Elite Care Center in Stephenville, Tx. Graveside services were held Wednesday, March 29, 2006 at Mt. Marion Cemetery in Strawn, Tx. Jackie Auvenshine officiated. Interment was in Mt. Marion Cemetery.

He was born to the late Cyrus Speegle and Daisy Dale Woodall Speegle on August 11, 1905 in Palo Pinto County, Texas. He married Sadie Carolyn Beasley on November 4, 1925 in Mingus, Texas.

He resided in De Leon area since 1980; a member of First Baptist Church in Phillips, Tx.; former employee of Phillips Petroleum Co. in the 1930's; retired auto mechanic; wonderful dad, granddad and uncle; a wonderful example for all to live their life by and was loved by all that knew him.

He is survived by two sons, Larry Joe Speegle of Odessa and James J. "Butch" Speegle and wife Jonnette of Buffalo Gap; one daughter, Kayla Sult and husband John of De Leon; daughter-in-law, Sue Speegle of Odessa; 11 grandchildren; 16 great-grandchildren; three great-great-grandchildren; several loving nieces and nephews; and his living caregiver and family friend Dr. Lester

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He was preceded by his wife on March 9, 1981; two sons, Lawrence Ray Speegle and Elbert Darwood Speegle; daughter-in-law, Ina Speegle; sisters Bernice Bearden, Mildred Boles, Linnie Jennings, Merle Chisholm, Thelma Foote; and two grandchildren, Ricky Sult and Danny Wayne Speegle.

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**No. CV-06-40,333
CITATION BY PUBLICATION
THE STATE OF TEXAS**

To: J. Madera, et ux Ethel Winfred Madera, Jack Mann and each of the unknown spouses, heirs, devisees, personal representatives, beneficiaries, successors and/or assigns of the said J. Madera, et ux Ethel Winfred Madera, Jack Mann,

Greeting:
YOU (AND EACH OF YOU) ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to appear before the 91st District Court of Eastland County at the Court-house thereof, in Eastland, Texas, by filing a written answer at or before 10 o'clock A.M. on the first Monday next after the expiration of forty-two days from the date of the issuance of this citation, same being the _____ day of _____, A.D. _____, to Plaintiff's Petition filed in said court, on the 21st day of March, 2006, in this cause, number CV-06-40,333 on the docket of said court and styled W. G. Arnot, Jr., Plaintiff, vs. J. Madera, et al, Defendants.

**No. CV-06-40,335
CITATION BY PUBLICATION
THE STATE OF TEXAS**

To: Verna May Lake, John Mallett, Vicki Mallett Fortner, Clifton Mallett, Edna Mallett Heflin, Gladys Mallett, Milton Bradley, and each of the unknown spouses, heirs, devisees, personal representatives, beneficiaries, successors and/or assigns of the said Verna May Lake, John Mallett, Vicki Mallett Fortner, Clifton Mallett, Edna Mallett Heflin, Gladys Mallett, Milton Bradley, Greeting:

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is a follow, to-wit: Petition

**No. CV-06-40,334
CITATION BY PUBLICATION
THE STATE OF TEXAS**

To: William Heard, North American Trust, Trustee for the Heard - Britton Syndicate, C. D. Robb, Mrs. C. D. Robb, Mary Speer, and each of the unknown spouses, heirs, devisees, personal representatives, beneficiaries, successors and/or assigns of the said William Heard, North American Trust, Trustee for the Heard - Britton Syndicate, C. D. Robb, Mrs. C. D. Robb, Mary Speer, Greeting:

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A brief statement of the nature of this suit is a follow, to-wit: Petition for appointment of receiver under Article 64.091, Texas Civil Practice and Remedies Code, to execute an oil and gas lease on the oil and gas mineral interests owned by the Defendants in the following described land:

187.02 acres of land, more or less, out of Section 9, Block 3, H.&T.C. RR. Company Survey, A-264, Eastland County, Texas, being 100 acres described in Warranty Deed dated July 24, 1975 from Silas Fields to James Robinson, recorded Volume 630, Page 588, Deeds Records of Eastland County, Texas; and 87.02 acres of land being described in Warranty Deed dated September 24, 1962 from H. R. Casey to Veterans Land Board, recorded Volume 547, Page 386 Deeds Records, Eastland County, Texas.

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160 acres, more or less, and being the Southwest one-quarter (1/4) of Section 15, Block 2, H.&T.C. Ry Co. Survey, Abstract 278, Eastland County, Texas, save and except a 1 1/2 acre tract, in the form of a square, located in the Northwest corner of said tract.

If this citation is not served within ninety days after the date of its issuance, it shall be returned unserved.

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The officer executing this writ shall promptly serve the same according to requirements of law, and the mandates hereof, and make due return as the law directs.

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Witness, Karen Moore, Clerk of the 91st District Court of Eastland County, Texas.

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Issued and given under my hand and the seal of said court at Eastland, Texas, this the 21st day of March, A.D. 2006.

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(s) Karen Moore, Clerk
(Seal) 91st District Court,
Eastland County, Texas
By (s) Michelle Honea, Deputy
4-4-20 C.

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ORDER OF CANCELLATION
EJEMPLO DE ORDEN DE CANCELACION

The Gorman Independent School District Board of Trustees hereby cancels the election scheduled to be held on May 13, 2006 in accordance with Section 2.053(a) of the Texas Election Code. The following candidates have been certified as unopposed and are hereby elected as follows:

El del Distrito Escolar Independiente de Gorman por la presente cancela la eleccion que, de lo contrario, se hubiera celebrado el 13 de mayo, 2006 de conformidad, con la Seccion 2.053(a) del Código de Elecciones de Texas. Los siguientes candidatos han sido certificados como candidatos unicos y por la presente quedan elegidos como de halla indicado a continuacion:

Candidate: (Candidato) Mark Warren Simmons	OfficeSought: (Cargo al que presenta candidatura) Trustee
Candidate: (Candidato) Daryl Wayne Hirst	OfficeSought: (Cargo al que presenta candidatura) Trustee

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for appointment of receiver under Article 64.091, Texas Civil Practice and Remedies Code, to execute an oil and gas lease on the oil and gas mineral interests owned by the Defendants in the following described land:

80 acres, more or less, and being the West one-half (W 1/2) of the Southeast one-quarter (SE 1/4) of Section 15, Block 2, H.&T.C. Ry Co., Survey, Abstract #278, Eastland County, Texas, SAVE AND EXCEPT 4.79 acres in the form of a square located in the Northeast corner of the above described land and SAVE AND EXCEPT 3.33 acres, in the form of square located adjacent to and west of the 4.79 acre tract, both being described in a partition deed recorded in Vol. 279, Page 128 of the Eastland County Deed Records.

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The officer executing this writ shall promptly serve the same according to requirements of law, and

Card Of Thanks

First I would like to thank my GOD for His love, peace and blessings through this campaign. I also would like to Thank the Citizens of Eastland County for your support in my recent bid to be re-elected as your County Clerk. So many of you helped me with your time, your prayers, your kind words, your prayers, your dollars and your vote. Thank you for all you have done and for the privilege of being chosen as your candidate for re-election as

the mandates hereof, and make due return as the law directs.

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County and State 4-H and FFA Steer Validation

Any 4-H and FFA member who planning on showing a steer at any of the major stock shows or the county stock show this coming year, needs to order their validation tags by April 17th.

You need to call the Eastland County Extension Office at 629-1093 or 629-2222 or your Vo Ag Teacher to order. Cost is \$10.00 per steer tagged or \$6.00 for unused tags.

County and State Steer Validation will be held June 27th at 8:30 a.m. at the Moylan Farm in Eastland. Steers not validated are ineligible to show. This is the only day we will validate steers in Eastland County.

If you have any questions or need further clarification, call the Extension Office or your Vo Ag Teacher.

State Fair Of Texas Validation For Barrows, Lambs & Goats

Any 4-H and FFA member who plans on showing a barrow, lamb or meat goat at the State Fair of Texas in Dallas in September-October 2006 must have them validated.

4-H and FFA members need to order and pay for tags by April 15th. Cost is \$8.00 per tag. 4-Hers can order and pay at the Eastland County Extension Office and FFA members need to order with their Ag Teacher by April 15th.

State Fair Validation will be held June 27th at 11:00 a.m. at the Eastland County Show Barn in Eastland.

Check with the Eastland County Extension Office or your local Ag Teacher if you have questions.

County Clerk. I will do my best to continue to serve you to the best of my ability. Thank you again.

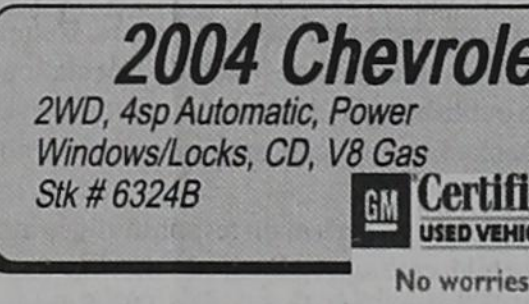
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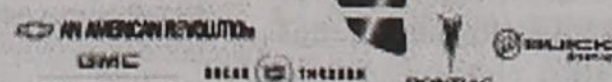
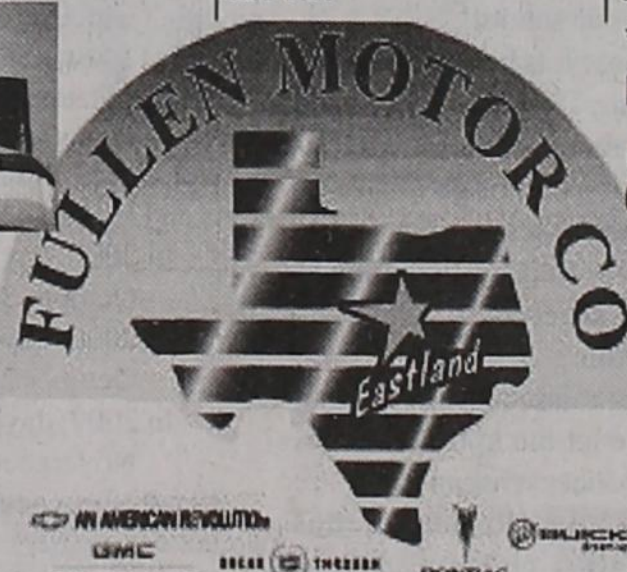
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Gorman Varsity Girls Placed 5th At Goldthwaite Meet

The Gorman Varsity Girls placed 5th out of 12 at a very tough Goldthwaite track meet on Sat. March 25th. Bigger schools such as Comanche(3A), Ballinger(2A), San Saba(2A), Bangs(2A), and of course the large (1A)Goldthwaite were some among the list that the Gorman girls were proud to battle.

"Megan Lewis absolutely blew me out of the water this week. Megan has been working on her hurdles for years now. We were able to refine her landings, drive, and get a more pushing tuck position in where she could maintain her speed. Her advancing district time last year in the 100m Hurdles was 18.04 seconds. We have beaten that already this year with an 18:01, but I knew she had more. At Goldthwaite she finally proved that not only is she a contender, but a titan in the hurdles-with a scorching 17.11, almost a full second faster.

Every girl on the team has met or beaten their advancing time from last year or is on track to do so, and with that comment I would like to add that a Gorman Alumni-Helen Wilson-a.k.a Gretchen wishes the track team well and hopes that all of Gorman is doing great! She still resides in Stephenville and works out regularly!

100m dash-Nicole Cogburn-13.34	4x100m relay-(ML,NC,AJ,SP)-55.79
100m dash-Sharla Perez-13.62	4x200m relay-(SP,BC,NC,AJ)-2:03.08
200m dash-Audrey Johnston-28.4	100m hurdles-Megan Lewis-17.11:17.35
400m dash-Brandy Carlton-1:10.89	300m Hurdles-Megan Lewis-52.51
800m run-Brandy Carlton-2:46.61	300m hurdles-Tecia Jones-58.15
800m run-April Keaton-3:11	Long Jump-Nicole Cogburn-14'4"1/2
1600m run- Mary Powell- 6:14.17	Long Jump-Audrey Johnston-12'9"1/2
1600m run-Crystal Thackerson-6:24.40	Long Jump-Sharla Perez-13'4"
1600m run-Tecia Jones-6:44.32	High Jump- Tecia Jones-4'4"
1600m run-April Keaton-7:05.80	Shot-Rosa Herrera- 24.5"
3200m run-Mary Powell-13:35	Shot Put-Megan Lewis-24'.25"
3200m run-Crystal Thackerson-13:42	Discus-Rosa-60'.8"
3200m run-Tecia Jones-14:12	Discus- Nicole Cogburn-66'

Gorman Junior Hi Girls Competed At Comache Meet

The Gorman Junior High track team traveled to Comanche for a track meet on March 24th. All of the athletes worked very hard and did a great job.

In the Junior High 8th grade girls division:

Evangelina Sanchez received 1st place in the 400 M Dash-1:07.4

Laura Herrera received 6th place in the shot put-24 feet 2 1/2 inches.

Evangelina Sanchez received 3rd place in High Jump-4 foot 5 inches.

Kimmy Seaton placed 3rd in Discus with a distance of 67 feet 7 1/4 inches.

Evangelina Sanchez also placed 1st in Long Jump-13 feet 9 3/4 inches.

In the 400 M Relay Gorman finished 6th with a total time of .61.00.

In the 1600 M Run Evangelina Sanchez finished 4th with a time of 6:50.25.

Many other athletes competed and were really close to placing.

The district competition is April 4th at Cross Plains.

Super Notes

By David K. Perry
dperry@gorman.esc14.net
734-3171

Last Monday a public meeting was held at the high school auditorium to discuss the school applying for a waiver to the state to begin school on August 14, 2006 next year. We will now proceed to make application to the state to approve our proposed schedule.

Tuesday evening we held a special called board meeting. Three items were on the agenda. The entire board was present for this meeting. The first item on the agenda was to cancel the schedule May 13th school board election due to the fact that the two incumbent board members, Daryl Hirst and Mark Simmons would be running unopposed. This passed unanimously. The second item on the agenda was to consider hiring an architect for a proposed building project. Superintendent Perry was authorized to negotiate a fee with Cadco Architects-Engineers, Inc. of Abilene, Texas. Next, the board authorized Superintendent Perry to negotiate a fee with DSA Construction Management to be the district's Construction Manager Agent on the proposed building project. The board then adjourned.

I know most of you are probably curious about the proposed building project. I was asked to evaluate the school's facilities when I was hired and to make recommendations to the board regarding our needs. My first recommendation was to resurface the track. It had not been done for several years and damage to the track might occur if we didn't act now. We have accepted a bid and it will be done in June. The next was the need for a new gymnasium and new classrooms to replace the two portable classrooms. This is the project for which the architect and construction manager are being tentatively hired. Once the architect has developed a floor-plan and exterior rendering of the proposed project, we will hold public meetings for the citizens of Gorman to get their feedback on the proposal. In the mean time, board President, Bobby Rich, is forming a committee whom I will take on a tour of several new gyms that have been built in our region in order to give input to the architect for the initial rendering and projected cost. If you personally have any ideas about the project or facility needs, please come by my office, call, or e-mail me. I would appreciate all suggestions to be submitted in writing so that we will be able to organize them.

Important dates: 3/30 High School Academic Finals @ Tolar, 3/31 Baseball at Ranger @ 4pm, 4/1 High School Track Meet @ Breckinridge, 4/4 Junior High District Track Meet @ Cross Plains and Baseball @ May @ 4pm, and 4/5 Band Contest @ Coleman

I have not heard from any parents regarding food selections in the cafeteria for the elementary children. Please contact me if you have any concerns or suggestions. This is your school!

There are so many things going on right now it is hard to keep up. Our students are doing a great job this year. If you want to see young people working hard, doing their best, and being competitive, you need to take in a softball or baseball game or go to a track meet. You will be impressed at the drive some of these young people have. They deserve your support and you will find a satisfaction in knowing that your very presence helps them succeed!

I always feel like I am forgetting something or someone each time I submit this article for publication. If I missed any event that you would like to have seen covered, please let me know. It takes community involvement for a school to be successful and you are welcome to get involved at Gorman ISD anytime. Remember, this is your school; these are your children; and these children are your future! Come help us shape the future.

USDA Provides \$20.1 Million To Emergency Conservation

Agriculture Deputy Secretary Chuck Conner announced that USDA's Farm Service (FSA) will allocate close to \$20.1 million in Emergency Conservation Program (ECP) funding to 26 states affected by natural disasters.

"The Emergency Conservation Program is an important tool for farmers and ranchers to rehabilitate and strengthen environmental stewardship of their lands," said Conner. "These funds will help farmers and ranchers rehabilitate farmland damaged by floods, drought, wildfires and other natural disasters in recent years."

ECP gives producers resources to remove debris from farmland, restore fences and conservation structures, provide water for livestock in drought situations and grade and shape farmland damaged by a natural disaster. Locally-elected FSA county committees implement ECP for all disasters other than drought, which is done by FSA's national office. Eligible producers receive cost-share assistance of up to 75 percent of the cost of approved practices, as determined by FSA county-committees. The \$20.1 million in ECP funds allocated today are from unused funds from various states.

Among the 26 states received the funding announced today are Texas and Oklahoma, which are continuing to face drought and severe wildfire conditions. Texas will receive more than \$3.9 million, while Oklahoma will receive over \$2.7 million.

Producers can contact their local FSA offices regarding ECP sign-up periods, which are set by the county FSA committees. For a producer's land to be eligible, the disaster must create new conservation problems that, if left untreated, would impair or endanger the land and affect its productive capacity. Conservation problems that existed before the applicable disasters are not eligible for ECP assistance.

In addition, USDA has several other programs to help farmers and ranchers recover from damages caused by natural disasters. These programs include the Emergency Loan Program, Federal Crop Insurance and the Noninsured Crop Disaster Assistance Program.

More information on ECP and other disaster assistance programs is available at local FSA offices and on-line at: <http://disaster.fsa.usda.gov>

"Don't Be In The Dark" When It Comes To Child Care

When Linda Welty decided she wanted to use her skills of taking care of children, the issue seemed simple enough. She had plenty of room in her home and energy and love in her heart. Welty didn't realize that providing care on a regular basis for children who are not related to you is an activity regulated by the Child Care Licensing division of the Texas Department of Family and Protective Services (DFPS).

"I didn't know about rules and regulations," she says. "But having gone through the process, I can now say the whole thing has been very informative and helpful. There are a lot of issues relating to safety for kids that people may not think about. Everyone was there to help; everyone was interested in the safety of children. Now all the parents can see I'm registered and my child care business is listed on the state's child care search web site."

Working with a variety of community partners throughout the state, DFPS is setting out to increase awareness of the dangers of unregulated child care. The focus of the "Don't be in the Dark About Child Care" campaign is to discourage parents from placing children in unregulated child care, and with good reason. Ten Texas children died in unregulated care in 2005, and eight in 2004.

"Unfortunately, more and more child care operations are going underground," says Diana Spiser, DFPS Assistant Commissioner for Child Care Licensing. "Illegal operations may seem attractive - they may be smaller and less expensive - but there are no checks and balances to protect the children."

In Texas, regulation of child care begins with listing or registration for very small operations located in homes. The degree of scrutiny increases with the size of the operation. Listed homes must simply submit an application and pass background checks. They are not inspected unless a report is received alleging abuse or neglect. Registered homes must meet training requirements and pass background checks. Registered homes are inspected every 1-3 years. Requirements for the larger licensed homes and facilities include orientation, regular training, adherence to published standards and inspections every 5-12 months. Background checks for child care staff are required no matter the size of the operation.

Child Care Licensing's main responsibilities include establishing standards for child care operations, monitoring them for compliance and investigating complaints. In this way, DFPS licensing staff strive to protect the health, safety, and well being of children in care by reducing the risk of injury, abuse and communicable disease. They also provide technical assistance to providers on how to meet minimum standards. Spiser urges parents to follow these simple steps when choosing child care:

1. Search online for day care providers at www.txchildcaresearch.org. If you do not have a computer you may call 211 for assistance.
2. Online, enter your requirements. The search will return a list of providers with services that meet your specifications, including their locations and phone numbers.
3. Select specific providers you'd like to research to find out about each provider's licensing history and compliance with minimum health and safety standards.
4. Visit the day care you are considering. Interview the caregivers and watch the interaction between the staff and the children. Talk to parents whose children attend. Make sure the provider's care meets your standards. Once your child is in care, stay involved and keep asking questions.

Texas Department of Family and Protective Services
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Valeri Deason - Child Care Licensing

When Does Daylight Time Begin and End?

Currently, daylight time begins in the United States on the first Sunday in April and ends on the last Sunday in October. On the first Sunday in April, clocks are set ahead one hour at 2:00 a.m. local standard time, which becomes 3:00 a.m. local daylight time. On the last Sunday in October, clocks are set back one hour at 2:00 a.m. local daylight time, which becomes 1:00 a.m. local standard time. These dates were recently modified with the passage of the Energy Policy Act of 2005, Pub. L. no. 109-58, 119 Stat 594 (2005). Starting in March 2007, daylight time in the United States will begin on the second Sunday in March and end on the first Sunday in November.

Not all places in the U.S. observe daylight time. In particular, Arizona and Hawaii do not use it.

- * In 2005, daylight time began on April 3 and ended on October 30.
- * In 2006, daylight time begins on April 2 and ends on October 29.
- * In 2007, daylight time will begin on March 11 and will end on November 4. [New law goes into effect.]

Many other countries observe some form of "summer time", but they do not necessarily change their clocks on the same dates as the U.S.

Daylight time and time zones in the U.S. are defined in the U.S. Code, Title 15, Chapter 6, Subchapter IX - Standard Time.



Supporting the Troops

My father spent 31 proud years in the U.S. Air Force. That included four long months interned in a prisoner of war camp after the bomber he piloted was shot down over Germany near the end of World War II.

Like many veterans, my dad didn't talk a great deal about his war experiences. But when he did, it was often to mention how much he and other servicemen appreciated the support they received from people at home. It was a great comfort to him, particularly in the hard days when he was a prisoner.

I was reminded of that recently when I heard a story about another young Texan, Vavette Blevins, who listened to her grandfather talk about World War II, and the support he and his fellow Army troops felt from their fellow Americans. The grandfather said that during a train ride to the Army's First Special Service Force training camp in Montana, local citizens turned out at rail stops with food and coffee to make sure the soldiers never got too hungry.

Those stories stayed with her. And when Blevins returned home to Texas from a tour in Operation Iraqi Freedom, she started an organization to help ensure that her fellow soldiers know they are held in the same esteem as her grandfather.

Blevins, no longer on active duty but now working as a military contractor, created an organization called "Support a Soldier," and it's based at Ft. Hood in Central Texas. Support a Soldier has already sent well over 2,000 care packages to U.S. service men and women abroad - and the number continues to grow. Blevins has recruited Texans to "adopt" more than 200 Texan soldiers deployed in Iraq, Afghanistan, Kosovo and Bahrain.

Across the state, I know countless of our fellow citizens like Blevins are helping Texas service men and women know we appreciate their sacrifices more than they can ever imagine.

We all know that freedom is not free. It must be fought for, and then defended vigorously. Sometimes, force or the threat of force is the only way to achieve a lasting peace. Texans have known this from the very beginnings of the state's history.

It's often been said that "Texas defends America." One in every 10 men and women in uniform call Texas home. We're accustomed to military installations in our communities, and having soldiers, like my dad, in our families, or living in our neighborhoods.

We're proud of our role in fighting for and defending liberty. When you stand outside the Alamo in my hometown of San Antonio, or visit the memorial in Goliad, you can't help but marvel at the sacrifices of the brave men who helped achieve the freedom we now enjoy, through sacrifice that we can only imagine.

Across the country, more than 100 formal organizations are showing support for our military families in creative and meaningful ways. We can all do something - from donating frequent flyer miles and phone cards to providing scholarships for military children and care packages for our troops abroad. Or, we can simply write a letter of encouragement. It means a great deal.

Whether the signals we send are big or small, I guarantee they are noticed - and appreciated. I hope everyone will consider doing their part to show our fellow Texans deployed abroad that we all support and appreciate their sacrifices.

Blevins told us she has more soldiers waiting to be adopted than folks signed up to adopt them. If a soldier isn't immediately adopted, she makes a care package on her own and relies on donations to help offset the postage expenses.

No doubt Blevins's grandfather would be proud of her if he could see what she's doing now. I know I am. And her husband, Sergeant Major Lee Blevins of the 4th Infantry Division, would probably be helping her in her endeavors, but he's pretty busy at work these days at Camp Liberty in Baghdad.

Please send Blevins an email at www.supportasoldier.org if you'd like to join her team. Or write to her at Support a Soldier, P. O. Box 5384, Fort Hood, Texas, 76544.

[For more information on the many worthy volunteer activities sponsored by Texans, you can visit the Department of Defense's website, www.Americasupportsyou.mil.]

Sen. Cornyn is a member of the following Senate Committees: Armed Services, Judiciary, Budget, Small Business and Entrepreneurship, and Joint Economic. He is also the chairman of the subcommittees on Immigration, Border Security and Citizenship and Emerging Threats and Capabilities.

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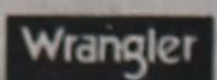
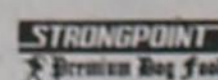
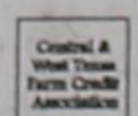
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Texas Wildfire Registration Community Period Remains Open

The registration period for homeowners, renters and business owners affected by the Texas Wildfires remains open until further notice, according to officials from the U.S. Department of Homeland Security's Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and the Texas Governor's Division of Emergency Management.

The Jan. 11 presidential declaration made Individual Assistance available for those affected in the counties of Anderson, Bastrop, Callahan, Cooke, Deaf Smith, Eastland, Erath, Hood, Montague, Palo Pinto, Parker, Tarrant and Wise.

Anyone who suffered damages from the wildfires beginning Dec. 1, 2005, and on-going is urged to register at FEMA's toll-free tele-registration number, 1-800-621-FEMA (3362), TTY 1-800-462-7585 or online at www.fema.gov. Assistance is available in multiple languages.

In addition, officials urge anyone receiving federal or state grants to save receipts for repairs and other emergency expenses for three years.

"Providing receipts can help victims to qualify for a wide range of available federal, state and local programs," said Deputy Federal Coordinating Officer, Dick Harmon, FEMA's top official for Texas Wildfires recovery operations. "It is important to spend government funds for what they are intended: emergency purposes such as food, lodging, medical needs and transportation."

"Being able to present accurate records will help individuals as they recover from this tragedy," said State Coordinating Officer Duke Mazurek of the Texas Governor's Division of Emergency Management. "Individuals and families with property that was damaged or destroyed and with losses not covered by insurance may be eligible to receive cash grants of up to \$27,200. Receipts will help document the request."

The FEMA Individuals and Households Program is intended for housing repairs, temporary housing, personal property, medical, dental, funeral costs and other disaster-related expenses.

Each housing assistance request is treated on a case-by-case basis. Determination is made according to the level of need and the disaster assistance allowed by law.

Veterans Benefits Seminar Set For April 1st In Eastland

Delilah Washburn, Texas Veteran Commission; Joel Jimenez, Commander, Disabled Americans Veterans Ch. 41, Wichita Falls, Tx; Larry Monroe, Public Relations Officer, Veterans of America, Ch. 41, Wichita Falls, Tx.; and George Pierce, Commander of VFW Post 4136, Eastland, Tx would like to cordially invite you to attend the 2nd Annual Veterans Seminar on April 1, 2006.

This is a free seminar and will be held at the VFW Post 4136, on FM570 in Eastland, Tx. Hours will be from 10:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M.

There will be speakers from the Waco VA Regional Offices, VA Medical Center of Dallas, National Cemeteries of Dallas and Ft. Sill, OK., Texas Veterans Commission, Texas Veterans of America, Disabled American Veterans and other Veterans Service Organizations who will provide information and assistance regarding all areas of Veterans Benefits.

Last year was a tremendous success because of veterans like you who continue to share the message to the VA that our community is underserved.

New programs and updates will be discussed. The success of last year's event was great; however, hundreds of veterans are still waiting on a list to receive care. That is why it is important that we all need to show up and be heard and help our fellow veterans.

Be sure to bring your Discharge Papers (DD214) and any paperwork from the VA that you don't understand.

See you April 1, 2006!!!

For more information contact Larry Monroe, Program Coordinator at 254-647-1097.

Proceeds To Be Donated to The Eastland County Relay For Life

Relay For Life with the American Cancer Society will be held June 9th, 2006, at the Gorman High School Track Field. Arbonne Independent Consultants, Valerie Hampton, Jancey Hamilton Terry and Michelle Hampton Byrd, are donating all profits from sales from now until the night of the event, to the Pajama Mamas Relay Team. Please contact us today to place an order. Valerie - 254.433.0859 valerie_l_hampton@yahoo.com; Michelle - 254.433.1804 chell@cctc.net; Jancey - 512.734.2396 jancey@myarbonne.com

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Community Leaders To Meet

Texas Midwest Community Network (TMCN) announces its annual network luncheon series set for April. Community leaders throughout the region meet for lunch and discuss topics that affect quality of life and local economies.

Civic leaders in every small city in the region are invited to attend the most convenient location to meet with neighboring community leaders. Luncheons are scheduled in Robert Lee - April 6th, Eastland - April 7th, Early - April 12th, Snyder - April 27th and Anson - April 29th. All luncheons are from 11:30 a.m. to 1:15 p.m.

According to TMCN President Kirby Andrews of Sweetwater, "The luncheons are for community leaders who are working to insure a brighter future for their respective city. This year's series of luncheons will focus on issues that will be addressed in the next Legislative Session." City and county officials, economic development boards, chamber of commerce representatives, health professionals and ISD leaders are invited to participate.

Interested participants are encouraged to select the most convenient location and make reservations online at www.texasmidwest.org or by calling the host city: Robert Lee at 325-453-2831, Eastland at 254-629-2332, Early at 325-649-9317, Snyder at 325-573-3558 and Anson at 325-823-2411. For more information about the luncheons, call the TMCN Office at 325-676-0329 or 800-845-3563.

Texas Midwest Community Network is a regional organization founded in 1994 for economic development, tourism development, regional awareness & promotion, education, and legislative awareness. It is an organization of "communities working together to accomplish what one community cannot do alone."

TMCN Member cities are: Abilene, Albany, Anson, Aspermont, Baird, Ballinger, Brady, Breckenridge, Bronte, Brownwood, Buffalo Gap, Cisco, Clyde, Coleman, Colorado City, Comanche, Cross Plains, De León, Dublin, Early, Eastland, Edén, Goldthwaite, Gorman, Hamilton, Hamlin, Haskell, Knox City, Merkel, Muskogee, Paint Rock, Ranger, Robert Lee, Roscoe, Rotan, San Angelo, Santa Anna, Snyder, Stamford, Sweetwater, Throckmorton, Tye, and Winters.

Remember Daylight Saving Time starts on Sunday April 2 so be sure and run your clocks forward an hour on Saturday night so you won't be late for church on Sunday morning.

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Floydene Gilbert, Joy Rogers, Joy Campbell and Eunice Love Attend 88th Lecturship



Gorman residents attending the 88th Annual Lecturship at Abilene Christian University recently were (L. R.) Floydene Gilbert, Joy Rogers, Joy Campbell and Eunice Love. The group attended workshops conducted by speakers from throughout the country. They also attended an assembly featuring a keynote address by Rick Marrs of Pepperdine University in Thousand Oaks, California

1920 Fire That Destroyed Part Of Downtown Gorman



Fire that destroyed commercial block of mostly frame structures across from the water tower, 1920. According to an article in the April 29, 1920 Gorman Progress, the fire caused \$100,000 in damage: The Presbyterian Church, Reid & Leatherwood Groceries, Gorman Auto Electric Company, Glass Harper Motor, Mullarky's Garage, Hick's Rubber Company, The Connor Hotel, Kirkley Harness Shop, Cash Grocery & Market, Gorman Bakery, and Gambel Brothers all suffered losses.

Letter To The Editor

P. O. Box 486
Hamilton, Tx 76531
March 13, 2006

Dear Editor,

I want to commend the custodians at Gorman High School for the Clean Restroom. How pleasant to walk into a scrubbed, clean smelling, toilet tissue in the stalls and paper towels in the containers in the Women's Restroom.

As I stated in the other letter I've been in many High Schools but yours was the cleanest by far.

You should all be proud of a job well done. (The Gym Floor Shines)

Thank you for letting me share this great news.

(s) Mary Frances Almquist
Hamilton, Tx

Happy Birthday To Our Favorite Cousin From Two Of Your Cousins

ITEMS OF INTEREST

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 at the Gorman Senior Center. Bring Covered Dish or \$3.00 Per Plate.

Gorman Oaklawn Cemetery Donations can be sent to Aline Garrett, P. O. Box 711, Gorman, Tx 76454 or to American State Bank.

BLOOD PRESSURE CHECKS — Blood Pressure Checks by Heritage Manor of Gorman. Every Wednesday at Senior Citizens at 11:00 a.m. Other week at Gorman will be 10:30 a.m.

LIBRARY — Charlie Garrett Memorial Library will be open Monday thru Friday from 3 to 5 p.m. Open Tuesday 9 to 12 a.m.

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Methodist Church

SANDRA CAGLE WILL BE IN GORMAN AT THE CITY OFFICE TO RENEW AUTO LICENSE PLATES. HER NEXT VISIT - WEDNESDAY, APRIL 20TH FROM 9 - 11 A.M.

Oakland Cemetery Association is accepting donations for the care of the Cemetery. Donations can be sent to Oakland Cemetery Association, 503 N. Fisher, Gorman, Tx 76454, or 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. Mark Wilkerson, Master — Pat Moseley, Secretary.

Kokomo News

By Zelda Jordan

Bro. Ken Smith of Eastland preached at the Kokomo Baptist Church on Sunday, March 26. Other visitors were Mrs. Esther Smith, Greg and David of Eastland, Charles and Mary Jane Ellison of Tennessee, and Glenda Black of Abilene. Woodrow and Helen Browning, with Glynda Bond at the piano, rendered the special music, "Springs Of Living Waters". "Happy Birthday" was sung to Mrs. Esther Smith and a "Happy Anniversary" was wished to Charles and Mary Jane Ellison.

Andy Hansen of Rocky Point Baptist Church will be the speaker for the Sunday services at the Kokomo Baptist Church on April 2. Visitors are always welcome at the Kokomo Baptist Church.

Remember Daylight Saving Time starts on Sunday April 2 so be sure and run your clocks forward an hour on Saturday night so you won't be late for church on Sunday morning.

Joe and Glynda Bond visited from Wednesday until Friday in Bullard with his sisters, Mell Bond and Eloise Shock. On Friday they went to Jacksonville, TX to pick up the steeple and baptistry for the new church building.

Kaci, Randall, Aaron and Kaelee Suniga and Lewis Suniga of Comanche, Laura and Ronnie Shelton of Sapulpa, OK, Kay Snider, Durwood and Aletha Burgess, Raymond Hattox and Mary Turner of Gorman visited with Oren and Norma Webb.

Visitors with Nancy Hendricks were Glenda Black of Abilene, Zelda Jordan, Doris Bradshaw, Daisy Slaton, Carol Ward and Ruth Underwood all of Gorman, Joe and Glynda Bond, Willie Mae Cozart of Eastland and Sylvia Buchanan.

Jimmy and Verna Lee Little visited with Ima Boles at Heritage Manor on Sunday evening after church services.

Laverne and Tommy Carr of Lake Whitney, Johnny and Jo Ann Scitem, Keri, Kelsey and Nashton Guthery of Gorman and Kris Scitem visited with John and Troy Scitem.

Charles and Mary Jane Ellison of Tennessee visited with Betty Little. Glenda Black of Abilene visited from Thursday evening until Sunday with her mother, Zelda Jordan. Norma Webb and Daisy Slaton visited with them.

EDC Talk

APRIL & MAY IS CLEAN UP MONTHS

Head's up on the upcoming schedule of events for April.

Great State Trash Off (Highway Cleanup groups)

April 1 Community Wide Garage Sale April 22

Community Clean Up (Curb Side only) May 23-26

More information will be posted in the coming weeks.

If you are a leader of a group that has an Adopt A Highway section, please get the word out to other members of this important and fun date!

Community Garage Sale participants can call Lori Dodd at 734-3933 and please leave a message that includes name, home address and phone number.

This year Community Clean Up will be curb side. So plan your weekends accordingly and have it on your curb for pick up on your regular day (Tues or Fri). Additional info or comments? Call Lori at 734-3933.

Thank you to each of you for participating in these events that make Gorman a great community! These efforts are a very important part of our winning the TMCN Community Achievement Award last fall!! Thank you for caring!

WEST TEXAS REHABILITATION CENTER'S ROUND-UP SALE



April 7th, the Dublin Livestock auction barn will be hosting the first 2006 Round-Up for Rehab sale of the year benefiting the West Texas Rehabilitation Center. Local ranchers, ag-related and community businesses, along with Rehab friends will come together again to support the Center's mission to improve the quality of life for those served regardless of financial circumstances. Providing services since 1953, the Rehab continues to serve over 20,000 children and adults with outpatient rehabilitative care.

Heading up the Dublin Round-Up special sale are Dale and Marla McKinney. Others with key roles in this year's program are general chairmen Mike Alexander and Randy Carson of Abilene, Jody Frey of San Angelo and Bob Helmers of Christoval. World-renowned, cowboy musician and poet, Red Steagall continues to support the Rehab Center as Honorary Chairman. They all join with other volunteers to ask the people of West Texas to help the Rehab meet the outpatient rehabilitation needs of all who turn to the Center for assistance in overcoming the disabling effects of illness or injury.

- Ways ranchers and supporters can help include:
- Donating livestock to the auction sale
 - Donating merchandise or other auction items
 - Attend the sales and join in the bidding
 - Make a cash gift to Rehab
 - Notify Rehab or a local chairman now of an intent to have the auction house cut a check to Rehab for animals sold later in the year.

Corporate friends of Rehab that have once again stepped forward as Round-Up sponsors are Central & West Texas Farm Credit Association, Patterson-UTI Energy, Strongpoint/Pied Piper Pet & Wildlife, Group IV-Member Owned Electric Cooperatives, Town & Country Food Stores and Wrangler. Heartland Alliance of America/Farm & Ranch Healthcare continues as the Rehab's Chuck Wagon sponsor. "The commitment of our local chairmen and ranchers and the continuing support of our corporate sponsors helps make sure the services of the Rehab are available to all who need them regardless of their ability to pay," said WTRC President, Woody Gilliland.

The Dublin sale is one of nine special Round-Up for Rehab auctions and promises to provide a unique, fun experience. If you have never been to the barn, the special sale is a good reason to get out and see what it is all about. The auction will kick-off at 12:30 p.m., with items of interest for all. Livestock, ag-related and general merchandise, crafts and baked goods will be offered with a round of lively, friendly bidding. Special items this year include a Roy Rogers and Dale Evans "Happy Trails" quilt. Everyone is invited to come out early on Friday, April 7th, at 11:30 a.m. and enjoy a meal of beans, cornbread and cobbler prepared by the Rehab's own Chuckwagon. So mark your calendars and plan to attend for a great time and join in the Rehab's philosophy of "neighbor helping neighbor."

For more information about the Rehab Center or Round-Up sale dates call WTRC-Abilene at 325-793-3507, WTRC-Ozona at 325-392-9872 or WTRC-San Angelo at 325-223-6300. For Dublin area residents wishing to donate animals, merchandise and baked goods or needing information on the local sale, contact Marla McKinney at 254-445-1734.

Desdemona News

By Vonnie Guthery

Desdemona Firemen's Benefit was held last Saturday night at the Community Center School Gym. The firemen present receive applause from the audience for their many hours of service and dedication to our community. Donations received from this benefit was given to the Desdemona Fire Chief, Dwight Dold. Thanks to everyone in our community that helped make this benefit a success. Thanks to all the area musicians and singers for the good music program. It is wonderful to live in a small town like ours where everyone can work together. Thanks again.

Shelly Horan and son, Sam; Emily Williams and daughter, Kena all of Granbury and their grandmother, Dorothy Roberts of Desdemona spent last Sunday in Cross Plains visiting with Ken and Kaye Horan.

Nell Ridens was in Savanna, Georgia last Tuesday to attend the funeral of her sister. Friends in Desdemona sends their sympathy to Nell and family.

Neil Pack of Benbrook is reported to be doing very well from a recent accident at this farm near Desdemona. He had extensive surgery to repair his neck. Friends in Desdemona sends Get Well wishes to Neil for a complete recovery.

Elise and Katie Duke of Stephenville spent the past weekend visiting with their grandparents, Humpy and Betty Duke in Desdemona. These girls were "great" helpers last Saturday night at the Firemen's Benefit. Thanks Elise and Katie

Oakdale Park's Bluegrass Jamboree

Mar. 30-31 / Apr. 1-2

Oakdale Park, located in Glen Rose, Texas will host its annual Bluegrass Jamboree, March 30, 31, April 1 and 2. For the 35th consecutive year, this spring bluegrass musical will take place in the tree-shaded park of this small central Texas town.

Serving as the Masters of Ceremonies for the four-day weekend music program will be Dale Brawner and Paul Stimson. The stage show begins Thursday, March 30 at 6:00 p.m. and runs until 10:00 p.m. On Friday, March 31, the day begins with an open stage featuring visiting bands and musicians. The official stage show begins at 1:30 p.m. and will end at 10:30 p.m. Saturday, the show hours are from 10:30 a.m. until 10:30 p.m. On Sunday, the show will run from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. An admission fee is charged.

Oakdale Park is a full-service RV campground. Camping and bluegrass inquires may be directed to the park office - Oakdale Park, P. O. Box 548, Glen Rose, TX 76043; 254-897-2321 or www.oakdalepark.com

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'05 Chevy Cavalier	Auto, 4-cyl., 4K, Warranty	\$12,995
'05 Chevy Impala	V6, auto, 31K, Warranty	\$13,995
'05 Chevy Malibu	Classic, cloth, 23K, Warranty	\$12,750
'05 Chevy Uplander	LS, DVD, 16K, Warranty	\$19,500
'05 Chevy Colorado Crew Cab	LS, cloth, 18K, Warranty	\$19,995
'05 Chevy 1500 Crew Cab	LS, V8, 31K, Warranty	\$20,500
'05 Chevy 2500 Crew Cab	Duramax, 4X4, 19K, Warranty	\$34,950
'05 Chevy 3500 Crew Cab	Duramax, 4X4, Dually, 21K, Warranty	\$35,950
'05 GMC 1500 Reg. Cab	V8, auto, 15K, Warranty	\$17,500
'05 GMC Canyon Crew Cab	Crew Cab, only 7K, Warranty	\$20,900
'05 Pontiac Aztek	Auto, cloth, 15K, Warranty	\$15,900
'05 Pontiac Grand Am	Auto, V6, 17K, Warranty	\$13,500
'05 Pontiac Grand Prix	Cloth, auto, 16K, Warranty	\$16,500

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'04 Chevy 1500 Crew Cab	LT, cloth, 23K, Warranty	\$22,250
'04 Chevy 2500 Crew Cab	LS, 4X4, 46K, Warranty	\$23,995
'04 Chevy 2500 Crew Cab	Duramax, 4X4, 24K, Warranty	\$32,500
'04 Chevy 2500 Crew Cab	5 Spd., V8, 2K, Warranty	\$20,900
'04 Chevy 2500 Crew Cab	Duramax, 4X4, 23K, Warranty	\$32,950
'04 Chevy Tahoe Z-71	4X4, leather, 34K, Warranty	\$28,900
'04 Chevy Trailblazer	LS, cloth, 38K, Warranty	\$17,500
'04 Ford Escape	XLT, V6, 18K, Warranty	\$16,900
'04 Ford F150 Reg. Cab	STX, Auto, V6, 9K, Warranty	\$14,900
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'04 Pontiac Vibe	Auto, 4-Cyl., 21K, Warranty	\$14,250

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'03 Chevy Avalanche	Cloth, V8, 18K, Warranty	\$20,500
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'03 Chevy Tahoe	LS, 3 Row Seat, 54K, Warranty	\$21,000
'03 Chevy Trailblazer	LS, cloth, 39K, Warranty	\$16,250
'03 Chevy Suburban	LS, cloth, 48K, Warranty	\$19,900
'03 Dodge Stratus	2-Dr., 4-Cyl., 43K, Warranty	\$ 9,995
'03 Ford Mustang	V6, auto, 21K, Warranty	\$13,500
'03 GMC 2500 Reg. Cab	4X4, auto, 34K, Warranty	\$17,250
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'01 Mercury Grand Marquis	Leather, V8, 61K, Warranty	\$11,500

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'00 Buick Le Sabre	Cloth, V6, 59K, Warranty	\$ 9,750
'00 Ford Explorer	XLT, V6, 71K, Warranty	\$ 9,500
'99 Cadillac Sedan Deville	Leather, V8, 55K, Warranty	\$ 9,995
'99 Chevy 3500 Crew Cab	Leather, 4X4, 120K, Warranty	\$ 9,995
'99 Lexus G5 300	Leather, sunroof, 71K, Warranty	\$16,900
'98 Chevy 1500 X-Cab	V8, auto, 91K, Warranty	\$ 7,995
'98 Ford Ranger X-Cab	V6, Auto, 90K, Warranty	\$ 6,995
'95 Nissan X-Cab	4X4, 5 Spd., 105K, Warranty	\$ 6,750

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