

# The Gorman Progress

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## Scam Artists Working In Gorman Area

We have been notified that there is a SCAM Artist at work in the Gorman area against the Social Security receivers offering grants to recipients on social security.

Please be aware of this kind of solicitations. They are strictly scam artists. Please notify your local law enforcement agencies.

## You Are Invited To Join Chamber of Commerce

The Chamber of Commerce would like to invite you to become a member of the Chamber and help us with community activities. Each year we participate in the following projects: the County Stock Show, the Annual Chamber Banquet, the Easter Treasure Hunt, the Miss/Little Miss Gorman Contest, annual scholarships for Gorman High graduates, the Peanut Festival, and the Santa Visit each December along with other projects that benefit our community, children, and citizens. Annual dues are as follows;

- Individual - \$20.00
- Small Business - \$75.00
- Large Business - \$150

To join you can mail your dues to PO Box 266, Gorman, TX 76454 or call Terry at 734-3171 or George at 734-2859 for more information.

## Miss Gorman and Little Miss Continue Their Fundraisers

The Miss and Little Miss Gorman contests are now going strong after the contests began on June 4th. These girls are working very hard. Check the paper, and look for notices around town announcing the fund raisers these girls are doing and please support their efforts. Putting your spare change in their cans will help also.

This years contestants are:

### Miss Gorman Contestants:

- Perla Maldonado-Chamber of Commerce
- Michaela Burns-- Fire Department
- Brittany Henderson-- Lion's Club

### Miss/Little Miss Gorman Contestants:

- Caitlyn Clark-- Chamber of Commerce
- Kelsie Guthery-- Fire Dept.
- Makenzie Rainey-- Lion's Club

Fund raising projects are now underway and all the girls have their cans in businesses for donations. Please help support these girls. The contest will run through June 30. All proceeds will go toward community projects. The Chamber supports programs such as the County Stock Show, the Easter Hunt and Halloween project, the Peanut Festival, the Annual Santa Visit, and Economic Development to bring in new businesses.

The pageant will be held at 7:00 p.m. Saturday, June 30, in the high school auditorium.

We appreciate the good job done by our reigning Miss Gorman, Reba Granado, and Little Miss Gorman, Briana Landa. They have represented us well at many area events and parades. Thanks girls!

## Gorman FUMC Welcomes New Pastorate Family

Sharon and Bob Bell come to us from Rosebud, Texas, where Sharon was serving as pastor at Rosebud FUMC. We are very happy to welcome them to Gorman. They are looking forward to meeting each of you as time allows them to visit and get acquainted with everyone in the community.

Please help us welcome them on July 1st at a Reception from 2 to 4 p.m. at First United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall.

## Eastland County To Distribute New Discount Prescript Cards

Eastland County Judge Rex Fields and County Auditor Loretta Key will be at the Gorman Community Center on Thursday, June 21st from 6:00 to 6:30 p.m. distributing the new Discount Prescription Drug cards available to Eastland County residents and answering questions about the program. The public is invited to attend.

### Homemade Tamales

For Miss Gorman Candidate Perla Maldonado  
Sponsored By: Gorman Chamber of Commerce  
Thursday, June 21  
In front of Gorman Pharmacy - 9:00 a.m to ???  
1/2 Doz. - \$3.00 -- Dozen - \$7.00  
To place an order call  
Mrs. Maldonado or Miriam Landa at  
734-5637 or 631-9366 before Thursday.

**CAR WASH AND FAJAITA TACOS**  
For Miss Gorman Candidate Perla Maldonado  
Sponsored By: Gorman Chamber of Commerce  
CAR WASH Saturday, June 23  
At ASB Parking Lot - 9:00 a.m to ???  
\$5.00 minimum - DONATIONS ONLY  
FAJITA TACOS  
Saturday, June 23  
Starting at 10:00 a.m. to ???  
ASB Parking Lot

## New Hope Baptist Church To Mark 100th Anniversary



New Hope Baptist Church will be celebrating the 100th Anniversary of the church's founding on Sunday, June 24, 2007 beginning at 10 a.m.

Organized in the New Hope school house in 1907 with twenty-seven charter members, the church has continued in ministry for 100 years. Eighteen pastors have served during that time. Three former pastors will be present for the celebration.

Also present will be Lalitha Kamari and Rev. Rufus Kamalakar from Nellore, India. New Hope has been associated with their ministry to the Yanadi tribal people in South India for the last twenty-one years.

The celebration service will begin at 10 a.m. in the church auditorium. Lunch will be served at 12 noon, and the afternoon service will begin at 2 p.m. and conclude at 4:00 p.m. The New Hope congregation invites you to join with us to "remember His marvelous works that HE has done".

## Students Named To Spring Distinguished List

The Distinguished Student List for the Spring 2007 semester has been released by Tarleton State University. Dr. Gary Peer, provost and vice president of academic affairs, released the names of the recognized students.

Distinguished students include freshmen and sophomore students who have a minimum 3.25 GPR and no grade lower than a C, and juniors and seniors who have a minimum 3.5 GPR with no grade lower than a C. All must be in good standing with the university.

Those students making the list from Gorman are: Lacy N. Howard, Angela K. Porter and Kendra L. Swanner.

## Students Named To Spring "A" Honor Roll

The 'A' Honor Roll List for the Spring 2007 semester has been released by Tarleton State University. Dr. Gary Peer, provost and vice president of academic affairs, released the names of the recognized students.

Students listed on the 'A' Honor Roll have a 4.0 grade point ratio (GPR) on the 4.0 system and are taking a minimum of 12 credit hours.

Those students making the list from Gorman are: John Howard - Applied Science.

## First Annual Gorman Softball Camp For Girls Set July 9-13

Signup for the first annual Gorman Softball Camp for Girls - 1st grade thru 8th grade. It will be held July 9th thru July 13th from 4:00 to 7:00 p.m. at the old softball field, by the tennis courts. The price will be \$30.00 per child, and then \$10.00 for every child after the first child is entered. On the last day of camp we will give out awards for participation, however, there will be special awards given for those who stand out in certain areas. We will work on batting, fielding, pitching, catching, and other basic softball fundamentals. This is a good opportunity for young girls to learn the basics of softball and improve their skills in all areas.

For information or to enter a child contact Kendra Swanner at 254-734-5464 or Nikki Keith at 254-485-7181. Registration will start at 3:15 on the 9th.

## Scholarships Awarded To '07 GISD Graduates

We appreciate all of the scholarship donors who continually support our students. These scholarships not only provide financial resources, but they also send a statement of support and encouragement to the students striving to further their education. Thanks to all who have contributed to the following scholarships:

- G.W. Maxfield Scholarship \$200 Amanda Regian
- Gorman Lion's Club \$250 K'Ann Howard
- R.C. Harrington Memorial \$250 Nicole Vaughn
- Gorman Masonic Lodge \$250 Kaci Seaton
- Gary Clayton Memorial - Sons of Confederate Veterans \$500 - Kaci Seaton

- Gorman ATPE \$250 Crystal Thackerson
- Gorman Chapter 443 Order of the Eastern Star \$250 - Nicole Vaughn
- Ruthy GI Bill \$38,000 Pete Ramirez - \$38,000 David Ibarra
- Steve Spivey Memorial \$1000 Ty Vaughn
- Sam Walton Community \$1000 Kristy Carlton
- Hampton Racing & Paint & Body Shop \$200 Crystal Thackerson
- Eastland County Retired Teachers Association \$400 - Mindy Keaton
- Ruth Porter Scholarship \$500 K'Ann Howard
- Texas Farmer's Union \$500 Kristy Carlton

- Gorman Chamber of Commerce Miss Gorman \$500 Kaci Seaton
- Contestant \$100 K'Ann Howard
- Contestant \$100 Nicole Vaughn
- Contestant \$100 Brittany Shirley
- Gorman Peanut Queen \$250 Rosa Herrera
- Gorman Peanut Queen \$250 Kaci Seaton
- Ruth Bryant Scholarship \$500 Kristy Carlton
- Gorman Achievement Scholarship \$100 Maria Oronia
- Panhandle Plains \$100 Kristy Carlton
- First Financial Bank \$100 Amanda Brown
- PTO Dual Credit \$165 Chance Underwood - Nancy Velasquez
- Dr. Dan Brudnick EMT \$800 Natasha Sherman
- Gorman Livestock Raisers \$1000 Chance Underwood

- CJC Theater Renewable \$2500 Matthew Smith
- Scholarship +books, room and board Tarleton Band
- Scholarship - \$1500 K'Ann Howard
- CJC Agriculture Scholarship \$800 Kaci Seaton
- Angelo State University - CARR Scholarship \$3000 - Crystal Thackerson
- Angelo State University Band Scholarship \$1200 - Crystal Thackerson
- Early Graduation Scholarship \$2000 Christen Ranson
- Eastland County Farm Bureau \$200 Kristy Carlton
- Alma Johnson Memorial \$500 Rosa Herrera
- Jack Jackson Memorial \$500 Wade Cariker
- Glynda Bond Memorial \$100 Brenda Olivares
- Career Colleges & Schools Of Texas \$1000 Wade Cariker
- Texas State Valedictorian - Tuition Fee Waiver up to \$4000 -K'Ann Howard

## Routine Monitoring Violation (TCR 23/24)

City of Gorman, PWS #0670003 failed to collect the required number of bacteriological samples for coliform monitoring of the water distribution system during April, 2007. This monitoring is required by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality's "Drinking Water Standards" and the federal "Safe Drinking Water Act," Public Law 95-523.

Bacteriological samples are used to monitor water quality and indicate if the water is free of coliform bacteria. Our water system is required to submit 2

Bacteriological samples each month. Failure to collect all required bacteriological samples is a violation of the monitoring requirements and we are required to notify you of this violation.

If you have any questions regarding this violation, you may contact Glenn Scitern, maintenance supervisor @ 254-734-2317.

## High School Academic Awards Assembly

The Gorman High School Awards Assembly was held May 15, 2007 to honor the students who have achieved academic success. The assembly included scholarship presentations, community service awards, distinguished graduate awards, UIL awards, and subject area achievement awards. Many scholarship donors presented their scholarships to the senior recipients in person. Since some of the scholarships were not presented at the assembly, the senior scholarships will be listed separately.

### Community Service Awards:

Less than 25 hours certificate: Valerie Longoria - Martin Ramirez  
Framed Certificate (25-50 hours of service) - Nicole Vaughn  
Blue Award 5x7 Plaque (50-75 hours of service) - Kimi Seaton  
Silver Award 5x7 Plaque (75 to 100 hours of service) - Brittany Shirley  
Gold Award 8x10 Plaque (100 plus hours of service) -

- Kristy Carlton K'Ann Howard
- Esther Cruz Yhdira Garcia
- Ty Vaughn Brenda Olivares
- Maria Oronia Amanda Regian

Community service awards are based upon completed service forms. These hours are based upon service from April to the following April. Students are encouraged to document uncompensated community service hours. Please pick up a form at the high school or Mrs. Hampton's web site to begin earning hours for next years awards!

### Distinguished Graduates:

Students graduating on the distinguished plan were recognized with a 5x7 plaque.: Kristy Carlton- Rosa Herrera - K'Ann Howard - Brenda Olivares - Maria Oronia - Amanda Regian - Kaci Seaton - Crystal Thackerson

## ITEMS OF INTEREST

SANDRA CAGLE WILL BE IN GORMAN AT THE CITY OFFICE TO RENEW AUTO LICENSE PLATES. HER NEXT VISIT - WEDNESDAY, JULY 18TH FROM 9 - NOON

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

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

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

**FOOD BANK**  
New Hours - 10 - 11:00 a.m.  
Second Thursday

**Boy Scouts**  
Meeting Week  
Tuesdays — 6:00 p.m.  
Methodist Church

Oakland Cemetery Association is accepting donations for the Care of the Cemetery. Donations can be sent to Oakland Cemetery Association, 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.





## Heritage Manor News

By Ina Smith

We hope everyone had a wonderful Father's Day. On Friday we honored our Fathers with a Root Beer Float social. Everyone shared some things about their father. We recognized our oldest and youngest fathers as well as the one with the most children. All fathers were presented with a gift from Heritage Manor.

Thursday was Flag Day. At noon everyone was presented with a small USA Flag. That afternoon we started off our activity with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag and the National Anthem then we discussed some facts about the flag. Did you know the flag has been changed 26 times? The last change was made after Hawaii was admitted into the Union in 1959.

Do you know what a vexillologist is? It is someone who is an expert on the history of the flag. We also learned that the flag is only flown over the White House when the President is in Washington, D.C.; it is not displayed when the President is out of town. It is always good to learn something new.

We will have our monthly birthday party on Monday June 25<sup>th</sup> following our 2:30 gospel singing. Those having birthdays this month are T.D. Whitehorn, Lottie Morris and Myrtle Davidson.

On Sunday, Patty and T.D. Whitehorn's family came and brought lunch and a birthday cake in honor of Father's Day and T.D.'s 90<sup>th</sup> birthday.

Jeanna Pack of Carbon came and took Imogene home with her and they made jelly and cucumber relish. Visiting with Ima Boles were Bill and Lois Ann Boles of Granbury. Visiting with Lavona Sharp were Jerry Majors and Lynden and Frankie Jo Shipman.

LaVerne and Tommy Carr of Whitney came and took Troy Scitern out to the farm. They also visited with Johnny and JoAnn Scitern. Keri, Kelsi and Nashton Guthery came and visited Troy.

Becky Moore of DeLeon came and visited her mom, Mildred Addy. Larry Barnett of Wylie came and visited with his dad, Arvel Barnett and attended the Father's Day Social. Freddie Rodgers visited with Don Estes.

Visiting with Jelma Smith were Jeff Smith of Eastland, Donald and Pam Smith of Granbury and Johnny and Ina Smith.

Until next time.....Ina

## Desdemona News

By Vonnie Guthery

Desdemona Monthly Musical will be held on Saturday, June 23 at the Community Center School Building. The concession stand will open at 5:30 p.m. serving sandwiches, homemade pie and drinks. Come early to enjoy supper and have great fellowship with all of the group before the music program begins at 6 p.m. All area musicians, singers and visitors are invited to attend. Bring your friends and neighbors to enjoy the good Country and Western music combined with some Bluegrass music and Gospel singing. Admission is "FREE".

"Congratulations" to Neil and Mary Beth Pack as they celebrated their 50th Wedding Anniversary on Saturday, June 16, 2007. The anniversary reception was held at the Stockyards Hotel in Fort Worth hosted by their sons, Brett Pack, Keith Pack, Kevin Pack and their families. Neil attended school in Desdemona and graduated with the Class of 1950.

"Shorty" Fox, Larry and Guy Moore of Desdemona; Bruce and Renee White, Chelsea and Cory of Stephenville; Paul and Susan Moore, Hagan and Scarlett of Stephenville enjoyed a picnic on Father's Day at the Dublin City Park.

### "It's A Girl"

"Congratulations" to Rusty and Samantha Duke of Desdemona on the arrival of their baby girl, Cadence Lynn. She was born on Friday, June 15, 2007 at the Harris Methodist Hospital in Stephenville, Texas, weighing 6 lbs. 13 ounces.

Grandparents are Gregg and Cathy Goode of Gorman and Rebecca Park of De Leon. Great grandparents are Deverl and Etna Goode of Cross Plains; Ina Mae Stewart of Lubbock; Ellen Parker of Gorman and Rudolph and Betty Duke of Desdemona.

Ronda James and daughter, Emily of Whitney; Risa Ashley of Waxachaxie visited Father's Day with their parents, Rudolph and Betty Duke in Desdemona.

John Fair spent the past weekend in Temple where he received daily chemo treatments at the V.A. Hospital. His wife, Karen was with him during this time. Get Well wishes to John from family and friends in this area.

Roy Powledge spent the past week with his friends on a "deep sea" fishing trip. He reported a good time.

Lee and Sonja Hornback and son, Justin spent their vacation on a fishing trip near Lampasas.

Our sincere sympathy goes out to the family of George Bagley. He was buried on Thursday, June 14 in the Desdemona Cemetery. His daughter, Pat Koonce and husband Scotty and their family live south of Desdemona.

Friends in Desdemona sends Get Well Wishes to Eddie Lindley and Bobby Baker. They are at home now recovering from recent surgery. Both were in the Baylor Hospital at the same time.

Remember the sick and shut-ins of our community with your cards and prayers. A "Cheer-Up" card can brighten their day.

Thought for today - "The difference between a genius and stupidity is that a genius has its' limits."

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

## 4-H News

### STEER VALIDATION

Steers to be exhibited in 2007-2008 at Eastland County Show or any major stock show in Texas MUST be validated on June 26, 2007 beginning at 8:30 a.m. sharp. Steer validation will be held at the Moylan Steer Barn on Highway 301 ... 2 1/2 miles north of Eastland.

Validation fee will be \$10.00 per steer. This will be the only day to validate steers in Eastland County. Call Dale Dunlap, County Extension Agent-Ag, if you have any questions.

### MARKET LAMB AND GOAT VALIDATION

In 2007 all market barrows, lambs and goats have to be validated for the State Fair in Dallas. Validation for State Fair animals will be held Tuesday, June 26th at 11:00 a.m. until 12 Noon at the County Show Barn in Eastland. This will be the only day to validate for Dallas.

**4-H Star Award Judging, Record Books, Project Forms, Etc. Due**  
4-H Star Award Judging (Gold Star, Silver Star and Bronze Star, or I DARE YOU) will be held on Thursday, June 28th at 9 a.m. in the Court-house Conference Room. You may begin setting up your display at 8:00 a.m. Also due on Thursday, June 28th are 4-H Record Books, Project Forms, Rookie, All-Star, Letterman, Honor Roll Forms, 4-H Scrapbooks, All-Around 4-Her Award. These are the forms that you turn in in order to get certificates at the 4-H Banquet.

If you have any questions, please call the Texas Cooperative Extension Office at 254-629-1093 or 629-2222.

## City Minutes

JUNE 7, 2007

The Gorman City Commission met on the above date. Those present were Mayor Robert Ervin, Commissioners Nathan Files and Joe Casey. Absent were Don Underwood and Charlie Torrez. Others present were Billy Carson, Frank Shirley, and Barbara Fenley.

Joe led the opening prayer followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and the Texas Pledge.

Mayor Ervin called the meeting to order @ 6:05 p.m.

Joe made the motion to approve the minutes of the previous meetings. Nathan made a second. Motion carried.

Nathan made the motion to approve the bills for payment with a second from Joe. Motion carried.

There was discussion about the back hoe. Nathan had talked with Hendershot Equipment, Stephenville, and they were going to come get the back hoe and would get an estimate soon.

Mr. Shirley was present to express his feelings about noise in his neighborhood on Tuesday nights.

Reports were submitted by department heads.

Joe made the motion to accept the resignation of Debra Clark. Debra has worked here for nearly 21 years. Nathan made a second. Motion carried.

Robert presented the annual audit proposal from Cameron Gulley. Nathan made the motion to accept with a second from Joe. Motion carried.

Nathan made the motion to retain attorney Bill Hart to represent the City on obtaining the Key Estate Property. Joe made a second. Motion carried. This property makes up a lot of the City Park area. The owners/heirs have not kept the property up for more than 25 years. The City has been responsible for all of the up keep.

Tacy read the first reading of Ordinance #2007-03, Denying Atmos Energy's request for an annual gas reliability infrastructure rate adjustment.

Joe made the motion, with great hesitation, to agree to accept the lesser rate increase of Allied / BFI rates. Nathan made a second. Motion carried.

After hiring Mr. Scott Perry he worked one day and has not returned since.

Weather permitting Splash Day will be Saturday June 9, 2007.

There being no further business for discussion. Nathan made the motion to adjourn with a second from Joe. Time was 7:15 p.m.

## DUBLIN LIVESTOCK AUCTION



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4th of July  
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# Annual Replacement Sale

Saturday, July 7, 2006

(No Sale Friday, July 6)

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'06 Buick Lacrosse .....\$348.27 /mo  
28,000 miles.....\$18,500 TT&L down for 60 mos @4.9% WAC

'05 Pontiac Grand Prix .....\$300.26 /mo  
17,000 miles.....\$15,950 TT&L down for 60 mos @4.9% WAC

'06 Chevy TrailBlazer .....\$374.62 /mo  
32,000 miles.....\$19,900 TT&L down for 60 mos @4.9% WAC

'06 Chevy TrailBlazer EXT .....\$394.39 /mo  
25,000 miles.....\$20,950 TT&L down for 60 mos @4.9% WAC

'03 Pontiac Sunfire .....\$168.86 /mo  
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