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Eastland County Commissioner's Court Lifts Burn Ban

Eastland County Commissioner's Court, meeting in regular session, at 10:00 a.m. on Monday, September 11, 2006, after receiving information from other knowledgeable sources, voted to **remove** the OUTSIDE BURNING BAN in Eastland County with the stipulation and request that anyone conducting outside burning, please contact The Eastland Fire Department at (254) 629-8232, to check weather conditions for that day and notify them of the time and location of the outside burning activity. Our fire departments request not beginning a burn prior to 7:00 a.m. Please use extreme caution with any outside burning!!

In making this announcement, the Commissioner's court expressed its appreciation to the various fire fighters, fire departments, and all other citizens of Eastland County who cooperated so diligently to alleviate the emergency condition of dangerous wild fire.

Respectfully submitted,
Eastland County Commissioner's Court
(s) Brad Stephenson, County Judge

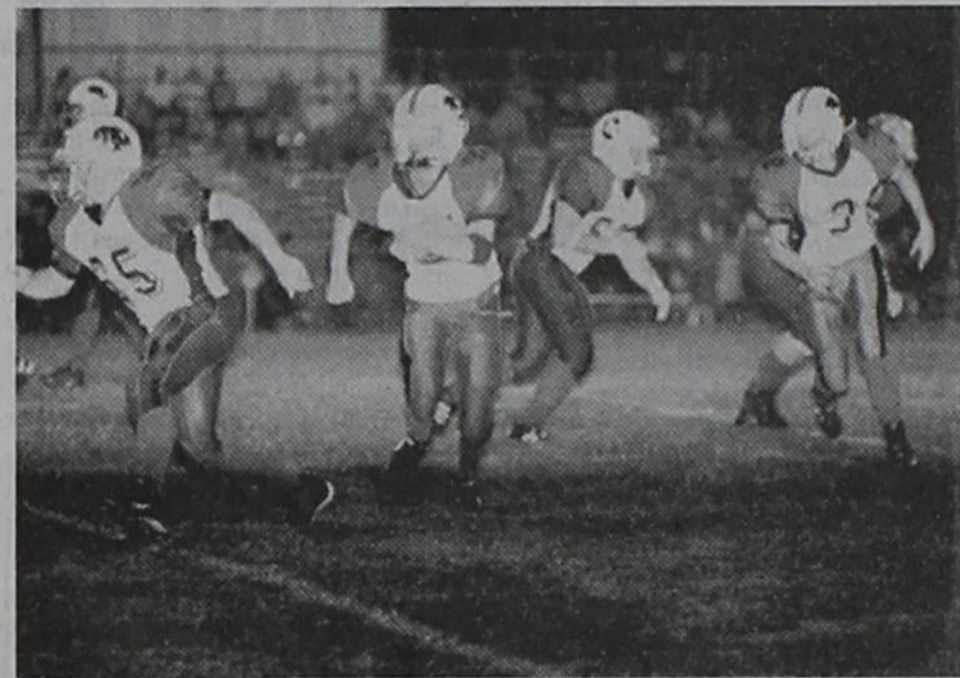
Panthers Race By Owls; Play Ben Bolt On Friday

GAME AT A GLANCE		Gorman	Covington
18	First Downs	6	
45/271	Carries/Yds.	24/190	
68	Yds. Passing	36	
4 of 8	Passes/Comp.	5 of 12	
0	Interceptions	1	
2 - 2	Fumbles/Lost	3-3	
3/33	Punts/Avg.	5/33	
4/40	Penalties	3/25	

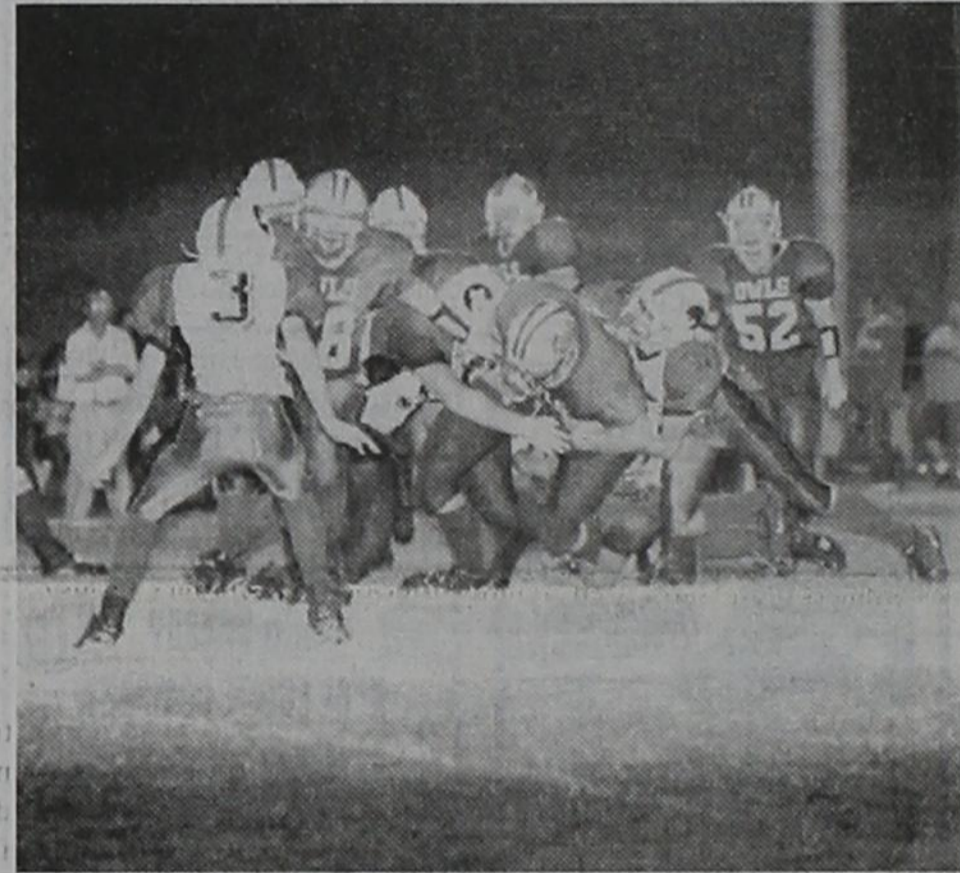
pass completions for 95 yards. Reginaldo Sanchez ran for 67 yards on 17 carries. Tyson Swanner had 14 yards on 5 tries and Zack Fox carried twice for 10.

The Panthers looked good most of the way allowing 2 touchdowns in the first period. They will need to be ready again as they travel to Covington to take on an experienced, heavy Owl team. So follow the Big Red to Covington on Friday night for a 7:30 game.

Go Get 'Em Big Red!!!



SCAMPERING OUT OF THE BACKFIELD — Matt Underwood is shown trying to go out wide in game action Friday.



PANTHER DEFENSE — Big Red Defense shown tackling a Owl Runner in game action Friday. In the photo is Tyson Swanner David Ibarra and Corey Clark and a host of other Panthers.

Ranch Rodeo Large Success; Thank You GBC Issues Thanks

The Gorman Baseball Commission would like to THANK everyone that helped make our Ranch Rodeo a success:

- The Burgess Family (Gary, Durwood and Joyce)
- Dale McKinney
- Johnny Majors
- Johnny Scitern
- Johnny Johnson
- Jimmy Johnson
- Lee and Sonya Hornbeck
- Scott and Donna Scitern
- Shane and Phebe Neal
- Gorman ISD
- Kevin and Amber Scitern
- Vickie Majors
- Bode and Liz Butler
- Revise Laminack
- Birdsong Peanuts
- Windell Treadway
- Rod Ryon
- Gorman 1st Responders
- John and KyAnn Howard

The Ranch Rodeo wouldn't have been possible without the Burgess Family again. Thank you for the use of the arena. Thank to Gary for the use of the tractor and chisel. I would like to Thank all those people that came out to help that don't have kids in the association. Without there help it would haven't been possible. It was nice to see such a large turnout. We hope to have another one soon.

I would like to thank my family for putting up with me during this time. We would like to thank all the rodeo teams that showed up without them, the rodeo wouldn't have happened.

The winners of the rodeo were: First Place - Need More Land and Cattle; Second Place - G&G Ranch.

The winners of the raffle were Whitley McDonald (\$75 Mary's Cafe) and Reva Nipp (BBQ Grill).

If I have forgotten anyone please know that it wasn't done on purpose, we do thank you for all your help.

Thank You,
Gorman Baseball Commission

Shawn and I would like to express our thanks for all of the help we had putting on the 3rd annual Shin Oak Bar B Q cook-off. We would like to thank the Whittiers for the use of the canopy, and City Grocery and Bob's Grocery for their donation of utensils and snacks. A big thank you to our judges for the donation of your time to judge each category. We know it is a difficult job, but someone had to do it!! By the way, most of the judges thought it would be a good idea to go ahead and re-up for next year's cook-off. Nothing like good, experienced judges! Also to Joe and Lonnie for all the publicity in the paper.

We appreciate each and every effort that was put forth to make the cook-off a success.

Thanks again,
Shawn Boles and
Tacy Warren

Thank You Gorman ISD

The Gorman 2006 Peanut Festival would like to thank the Gorman ISD, Mr. Boles and his students and Mr. Perry and Mr Panter for allowing Mr. Boles to bring his students downtown to help get everything ready for this years Peanut Festival. Mr. Boles is a very dedicated teacher and community service worker. It never fails if we need something done, Mr. Boles and his students are always willing to do more than their share. We are so fortunate to live in a community where the school facility and students are more interested in what they can do for our community than what our community can do for them. We look forward to these students becoming members of the Gorman Peanut Festival Committee.

Thank you again,
The 2006 Peanut Festival
Committee

Booster Club Selling Shirts And Caps

The Gorman Athletic Booster Club is selling roster T-shirts, jerseys and caps. The roster shirts will be royal blue with a Gorman Panther design on the front and will feature a roster of the football players on the back. We will sell both a high school shirt and a junior high shirt. **ORDERS MUST BE TAKEN IN ADVANCE FOR THE ROSTER SHIRTS.** To be able to have the shirts by Homecoming we must place our order on Thursday, SEPTEMBER 14. If you are interested in a roster shirt please contact Becky Swanner at the high school or call at home 734-2480 by Thursday. Payment will be taken at the time of delivery, so all that is required immediately is your size order. Order forms may also be given to Angela Underwood, Kim Ryon, or Bob Powell. Order forms will be sent home with the students. This is a one chance order, so if you want a roster t-shirt do not delay.

Becky Swanner
Athletic Booster Club President

More Information on Peanut Festival and Shin Oak BBQ Cookoff - Gobber Gourmet Inside This Issue and Others

The Gorman Panthers traveled to Covington on Friday to take on the Owls and came away with a 35-6 victory. The Big Red scored in all four quarters, with 14 points in the final period to insure the victory. After receiving the opening kickoff the Panthers failed to more the ball and after punting, the Owls got the ball on the Gorman 34. The two teams again exchanged possessions before the Big Red defense gave the Panthers the ball on the Owl 35 following a fumble. From there, after the Owls were penalized 10 yards, the Panthers scored in 5 plays with Reggie Sanchez getting the final 9 yards on a end run with 1:58 left in the first. The drive featured runs of 8 and 1 by Matt Underwood and runs of 3 and 3 by Tyson Swanner. Sanchez added the 2 points on a run and the Big Red went up and going 8-0.

Then after holding the Owls again, the Panthers took the ball on their own 42 and went the distance in 11 plays when Underwood went in for the score from 1 yard out with 6:27 left in the second. The drive featured runs of 5, 2, 2, 18, and 4 yards and a pass of 8 by Sanchez, Tony Perez ran for 9 before Tyson Swanner passed to Orlando Valenzuela for 14. The kick for point failed and the Panthers were up 14-0. The half ended with this score.

After exchanging possessions on 2 occasions the Panthers got the ball on the Owl 44 and moved the distance in just 3 plays with Swanner, racing in from 29 yards on a quarterback roll-out with 3:46 left in the third, following runs of 7 and 8 by Sanchez. David Ibarra kicked the point after and the score rose to 21-0.

Following two possessions each the Panthers got the ball on their own 19 and scored in 7 plays with Swanner hitting Valenzuela on a beautiful 34 yard pass for the score with 8:29 left in the game. The drive featured runs of 2 and 3 by Underwood, a 7 yard run by Swanner, 8 and 5 yards by Sanchez. The Panthers overcame a 15 yard penalty also, Ibarra booted the point after and Gorman was ahead 28-0.

Then with 1:41 left in the game Matt Underwood broke loose on a fantastic 32 yard run for the score. Underwood also had 2 runs of 8 and 11. Ibarra kicked the point after and the score was 35-0.

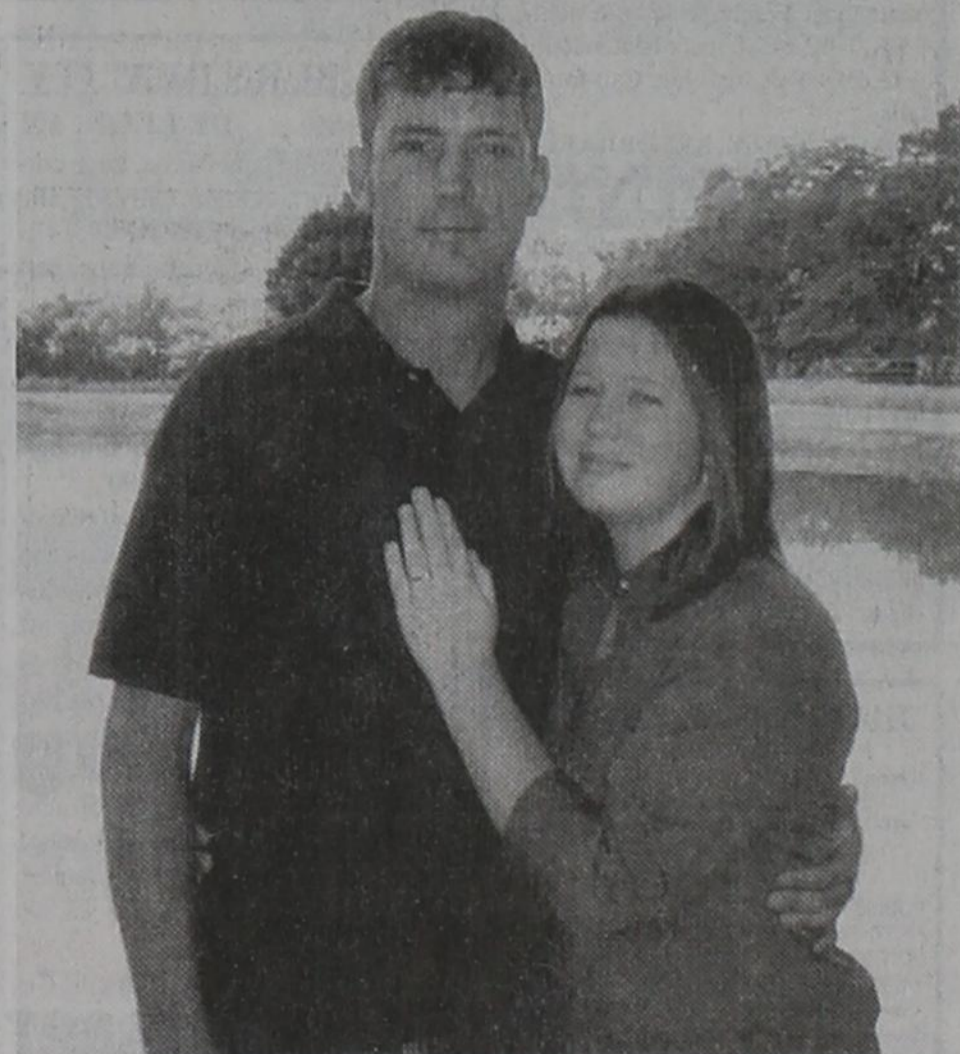
The lone Owl score came on a 72 yard run by Jacob Spain with time running out. The kick try for point failed and the final score was 35-6.

Reginaldo Sanchez led the Panthers with 114 yards on 18 carries. Underwood had 82 on 14; Swanner had 62 on 8 (one 65 yarder being called back on a penalty); Perez ran 3 times for 10 and Zack Fox ran twice for 3.

The Big Red defense did a good job, holding the Owls to 6 first down, until late in the game. They will need to be ready again on Friday night as they hit the road again to play Ben Bolt in a game at Canyon High School Stadium at New Braunfels (just off I-35). This will be the 30 year rematch of the State Game played at Taylor and should be a real battle, so follow the Big Red to New Braunfels and back them to another victory.

Go Get 'Em Big Red!!!

Kendra Bailey and Michael Lynch To Wed



Kendra Baily and Michael Lynch announce their engagement and approaching marriage on Saturday, September 23, 2006 at 7:00 p.m. at Mr. and Mrs. Bob Hammontree's residence in Gorman.

Kendra's parents are Abel and Sally Saldana and the late Kip Bailey. Michael's parents are Ken and Linda Lynch.

The Gorman Panthers Football Game Against Ben Bolt Will Be Played In New Braunfels at 7:30 p.m. at Canyon High School Located On I-35

AARP Drive Safely Class
Sept. 28 and 29
Comanche Senior Center
1:5 P.M. both days
To register, call 254 965 2145

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 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.

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 Hotel at 10:30 a.m.

LIBRARY — Charlie Garrett Memorial Library is open every Monday thru Friday from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m., Tuesday mornings from 9 a.m. to 12 noon and Saturday mornings from 9 to 12 starting September 2nd.

FOOD BANK

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

Boy Scouts

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

SANDRA CAGLE WILL BE IN GORMAN AT THE CITY OFFICE TO RENEW AUTO LICENSE PLATES. HER NEXT VISIT - WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 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.

Thank You Supporters

As Ad Chairperson I would like to thank each and everyone who bought an ad for the 2006 Peanut Festival. Without your support we would not be able to have a Peanut Festival.

Our \$100 supporters are: American State Bank, Birdsong Peanuts, Comanche National Bank of Comanche, Fullen Motor Company of Eastland, Lone Star Convenience Store (formerly Gem Dandy), Gorman Chamber of Commerce, Southern Ag Carriers, of Comanche, Square One Energy, Inc. a Subsidiary of CANO Petroleum Inc. of Desdemona and Randolph Dodge of Eastland.

Our \$50 Supporters are: Antiques From Our Father's House, Bayer Motor Company of Comanche, Dr. Dan Brudack, City of Gorman, Comanche County Telephone Company of DeLeon, Comanche County Medical Center, of DeLeon, Express Medical of DeLeon, Franks Home Service of DeLeon, Gorman Milling, Town and Country Real Estate of Eastland, Mears and Associates, and West End Storey.

Our \$35 Supporters are: Bob's Grocery, Chicken Express of Eastland, City Grocery, Clark Building Supply and Construction, Clark Tractor of DeLeon, Cook Insurance Agency of DeLeon, G & H Feed/Hirst Nuts and Produce, Gilmore Auto, Gold Metal Imports, Gooden Petroleum of DeLeon, Gorman Lions Club, Gorman Pharmacy and Video, Gorman Progress, Higginbotham Funeral Home, J & J Air Conditioning Inc. of Eastland, Nathan's Barber Shop, Panda's Flowers and Gifts, Ricon Pharmacy, Simmons Propane, Smith's Service Station, Snider Nursery, The Hair Shoppe, ZJ's Steak House. A big Thank You again for your support.

Ina Smith - Ad Chairperson

GISD School Menu

Week of September 15 thru September 21
BREAKFAST

FRIDAY - Biscuits, ham, eggs, juice and milk.
MONDAY - Bacon, eggs, biscuits, juice and milk.
TUESDAY - French toast, apples, juice and milk.
WEDNESDAY - Cereal, toast, Juice and Milk.
THURSDAY - Breakfast casserole, hash browns, Juice and Milk.

LUNCH

FRIDAY - King Ranch casserole or Meat Balls w/sauce, Tossed salad, Quick Baked Potatoes, Chesse biscuits, Banana Pudding, and milk.
MONDAY - Homemade chili or Chimachangas, Pinto beans, Spanish rice, Tossed Salad, cornbread, Crackers, Tanga Cherry Salad, and Milk.
TUESDAY - Oven Fried Chicken or Chicken Nuggets, Cream Potatoes, Broccoli Casserole, Rolls, Pinapple Pudding, and Milk.
WEDNESDAY - Steak Burger or Barbecue Sandwich, Lettuce, Tomato, Pickles, Onion, Baked Chips, Grapes, and Milk.
THURSDAY - Fish or Barbecued Franks, Cole Slaw, French Fries, Hush Puppies, Pears, Peanut Butter Bars, and Milk.

Gorman Police Report

The report of the Gorman Police Department for the month of August is as follows:

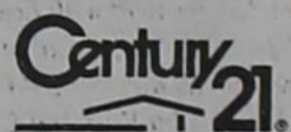
Arrests - There were 6 arrests made: 1 - Warrant out of Hood Co.; 1 - Warrant out of Grayson Co.; 1 - Public Intoxication; 1 - Assault Family Violence; and 1 - Burglary of Building (JV).

Citations: There were 23 citations written: 1 - Wrong way on One way street; 5 - Speeding; 2 - Expired MVR; 4 - Expired Inspection Stickers; 1 - Minor / Alcohol; 1 - Illegal dumping; 1 - Restriction of DL; 1 - Run Stop Sign; 1 - PI; 2 - No Insurance; 3 - Warnings; and 1 - Dog at Large.

Offenses - There were 8 investigatable offenses: The were 29 contacts made with the public: 4 - Animal Calls; 1 - Accident; 10 - Disturbances; 1 - Suspicious Person / Vehicle; 2 - Locked Vehicle; 3 - Medical Emergency; 1 - Prowler; 1 - Juvenile; 4 - Funeral Escorts; 1 - Overdue Motorist; and 1 - Background check.



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PROGRESS POLITICAL ANNOUNCEMENT FEES:	
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Justice Prec. Offices	\$50.00
Constable	\$50.00

All political advertisements paid for by friends and/or candidates must bear at least one signature and address. All ads must be paid for in advance. (Political advertising charged for at a rate of \$3.00 per column inch).

Any political advertising reflecting adversely upon the character of a person will be refused.

The Gorman Progress is authorized to make the following political announcement, subject to the action of the General Election, November 8th.

Eastland County Judge:	Eastland County Justice of Peace - Prec. 1: Wesley N. Warren - (D)
Eastland County Clerk: Cathy Jentho - (R)	

Obituaries

John Edward Dowd

John Edward Dowd, 84, a retired United Methodist Minister, died Friday, September 7, 2006.

Memorial services were held 2 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 13th at Burleson First United Methodist Church.

Memorials to: Aldersgate Enrichment Center, P. O. Box 1406, Brownwood, TX 76804; Emery J. Lisle Hospice House, 301 Medpark Circle, Burleson 76028.

John was born on July 9, 1922 in Spokane, WA. He served six years in the U. S. Navy during World War II. He felt called to the ministry in April 1950 and was educated at East Texas University and Brite Divinity School at TCU.

John served as minister in churches in Burleson, Gorman (he was minister in Gorman in the 1960's), Weatherford, Ennis, Waco, Brownwood, Richland Hills and Waxahachie, where he retired in 1991.

Survivors include those who shared in his life: Wife, Mary Lou; son, John Mark Dowd; daughter, Tracy Hyorth and husband, Alphie; grandchildren, Zachary Hyorth, Terry Dowd and wife, Jennifer, Tina Torrez and husband, Tony; great-grandchildren, Anthony and Andrew Torrez; stepsons, Chuck Osmon, Rick Osmon and wife, Cathy; stepdaughter-in-law, Sandy Osmon; step-grandchildren, Sherri Smith, Chuck Osmon Jr. and wife, Shari, Brandon Osmon, Kristine Young, Bryan Young and wife, Michelle; step-great-grandchildren, Jennifer Smith, T.C. Smith and wife, Estelle, Aaren and Ashley Ormon; and a multitude of loving friends.

Jerry Wayne Krause

Jerry Wayne Krause, age 62, of Carbon, passed away Thursday, September 7, 2006 at an Abilene Hospital.

Services were at 2:00 p.m. Sunday at the Higginbotham Funeral Home Chapel with Eddie McHugh officiating. Burial was at Murray Cemetery.

Wayne was born August 21, 1944 in Brady to Reinhart and Margie Foster Krause. He married Sam (Helen) Davis on July 2, 1970 in Lovington, NM. He was a retired maintenance supervisor for Birdsong Peanuts having worked there for 13 years.

Survivors include: wife, Sam (Helen) Krause of Carbon; four sons, Rodney Krause of Bettendorf, IA, Gregg Krause of Lubbock, Jerry Krause of Comanche, and Chuckie Martin of Midland; three stepdaughters, Belinda Bingham of Sequin, Melody Brown of Kenedy and B. C. Henkes of Cuero; one step-

**No. CV-06-40,482
CITATION BY PUBLICATION
THE STATE OF TEXAS**

To: H. S. Childress and wife, Nellie Childress, and each of the unknown heirs, devisees, personal representatives, beneficiaries, successors and/or assigns of the said H. S. Childress and wife, Nellie Childress, Greeting:

YOU (AND EACH OF YOU) ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to appear before the 91st District Court of Eastland County at the Courthouse thereof, in Eastland, Texas by filing a written answer at or before 10 o'clock A.M. on the first Monday next after expiration of forty-two days from the date of the issuance of this citation, same being the 11th day of August, A.D. 2006, to Plaintiff's Petition filed in said court, on the 11th day of August, 2006 in the cause, numbered CV-06-40,482 on the docket of said court and styled W. G. Arnot, Jr., Plaintiff, vs. H. S. Childress, and wife, Nellie Childress, et al, Defendants. A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, 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 and mineral interests owned by the Defendants in the following described land:

44.6 Acres, more or less, out the A.B.&M. Survey No. 4 Abstract #1196, Eastland County, TX., and being more particular as follows to wit: Beginning at the SE corner of Section 14, Block 2, E.T.R.R. Co. Survey; Thence South 518 varas along W.B.L. of A.B.&M. Survey No. 4; Thence East 488 varas to W.B.L. of A.B.&M. Survey No. 3; Thence North 518 varas to Northwest corner of A.B.&M. Survey No. 3; Thence West 488 varas to beginning.

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

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.

Witness, (s) Karen J. Moore, Clerk of the 91st District Court of Eastland County, Texas.

Issued and given under my hand and the seal of said court at Eastland, Texas, this the 11th day of August, A.D. 2006.

(s) Karen Moore, Clerk,
91st-District Court,
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By: Michelle Honea, Deputy
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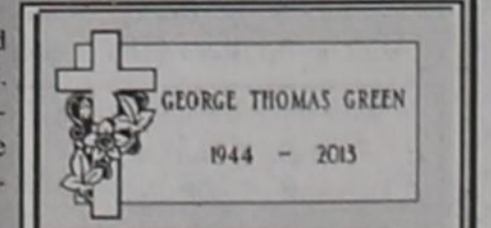
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By David K. Perry
dperry@gorman.esc14.net
734-3171

Sorry about not having an article in the paper last week. I e-mailed it to the paper and it got lost in cyberspace somewhere. We never were able to figure out the problem. So this week's article is updated and may be a little long. I hope by the time you read this that we've had another good rain. I know that they are predicting rain and I hope the weather people are right. It was nice to wake up Sunday morning a week ago to the sound of rain dripping off the roof. That was great present for the Labor Day weekend. It was also nice that our son and his family were in so we got to spend a lot of time with our grandson Jake who will be one year old in December.

This past week went by so fast it is just a blur. The Peanut Festival was great! It was so nice in comparison to last year. The weather was cooler and there were a lot more people. I hope you all had a good time. I know Vicki and I did. I sold Lion's Club burgers and she got to judge baked goods. Next year I want to be on the list of people that get to judge the brisket or the ribs!
HINT! HINT!

Our football team lost their season opener to Roby 21-18 two weeks ago, but Friday night Covington paid the price. The Varsity won their game 35-6. They looked very good and were the dominant force through out the game. I look forward to their game against Ben Bolt in New Braunfels this Friday night. I hope as many of you as can will make the trip. I know it's a long drive down there, but why not get a motel and make a weekend of it and relax. These young men and their coaches have been working very hard to prepare for this game and I expect it will be a great contest. The Junior High won their game against Covington too, 36-0.

Admission prices to the football games have changed if you didn't notice. Varsity games are \$5.00 for adults and \$2.00 for children. Junior High games are \$2.00 for everyone. Also, it has been the policy of GISD to admit senior citizens 65 and older to games for free when requested, but this year all District 12-A schools will accept locally issued senior citizen passes at all games. That leaves me with one problem. I don't know how many local senior citizens want passes so they can go to the out of town games for free. I am going to print several passes and they will be available at my office and at the gate at the Junior High game this Thursday at 6:00pm. All you have to do is be 65 or older to get one.

The Volleyball team is looking great at home games but is having a little trouble getting it together on the road. I think it is just the jitters. I also think it helps to have our fans cheering for them and when they are on the road, it is hard for many people to go to the games because of the time the games begin. If you do get a chance to go to an out of town game, please do. These girls are working hard and need your support.

Our Cross Country runners have been working hard getting ready too and they have been competing as well. I want to congratulate them for competing in such a demanding sport. I have never been a runner and I admire those that can stand up to the physical and mental demands of long distance running. Keep it up! The Cross Country runners rarely have many spectators because of the time of the races and often the places are not very spectator friendly, so if you have the opportunity here at home to pat one of them on the back and encourage them, please do!

Here are a few dates you might want to remember:

Sept. 14 VB De Leon JV Tournament

Sept. 15 FB @ New Braunfels 7:30
Early Release @ 12:30

Sept. 16 VB De Leon Tournament Continued

Sept. 19 VB Here 4:30

I have had several questions asked about the bond election and what it would mean regarding taxes should the citizens of Gorman pass the bond. First, let me say that for senior citizens whose taxes are frozen it would have no effect. It will also have no effect on homestead exemptions. Last year, your school tax rate was \$1.45 per \$100.00 dollars evaluation. So, on a \$50,000.00 home, the school tax was approximately \$725.00. This year the tax rate was lowered to \$1.3257 and the approximate tax on the same home will be approximately \$662.85. This is a savings of approximately \$62.15, if your home did not increase in value. If the bond passes, we will not do anything until we see if the Legislature (begins in January) rolls forward the existing debt allotment for schools (EDA). We have to have EDA money to actually do the project. Assuming the state rolls forward the EDA program and the district issues the bonds, the state will be picking up approximately 65% of our debt service payable on the bonds. Our part of the debt service would be approximately .32 cents per hundred dollars evaluation. The state has said they are lowering the maintenance and operations tax rate to \$1.00 next year. Based on this \$1.00 maintenance and operations tax rate, coupled with our .04 cents enrichment and the .32 cents for payment of the bonds, the district's total tax rate will be approximately \$1.36 for the 2007-2008 school year if the bond passes. This would make the school tax on a \$50,000.00 home approximately \$680.00, approximately \$45.00 lower than the 2005-2006 taxes. If you have any questions, please call me.

The School Board met Monday night at 7:00pm for their regularly scheduled September meeting in the auditorium at the high school. All board members were present and the following action was taken:

1. The consent agenda was passed 7-0
2. Board information items were received
3. TASB Policy Update 78 was approved 7-0
4. Campus and District Improvement Plans were approved 7-0
5. Adjunct personnel agreement with Eastland County was approved 7-0
6. Superintendent goals and appraisal instrument were reviewed and approved to remain as they were 7-0
7. Interlocal Agreement with Eastland County was approved 7-0
8. Board adjourned at 8:15pm

During reports that were given, Coach Talbert was very pleased with the effort of his team Friday night and was looking forward to this Friday's game in New Braunfels. Mrs. Reeves pointed out how well the schools in Region 14 did as a whole compared to the state. We are in the best performing region in the state. Mr. Panter said everything was positive on the secondary campus and that the good attitude of the students and teachers was incredible. Mr. Perry shared plans to put sprinkler systems in at the softball, baseball, and football fields this year as a means of conserving water and reducing labor involved in field maintenance. It was also discussed that the food in the cafeteria was great so far this year and that there had been no complaints. Gena Roan, the new manager is preparing a lot more from scratch this year and the menu is much healthier for the students that way. We appreciate what the cafeteria crew is doing!

Remember, it takes community involvement for a school to be successful and you are welcome to get involved at Gorman ISD anytime. This is your school; these are your children; and these children are your future! Your input is always welcome. Come help us shape the future.

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Desdemona News

BY VONNIE GUTHERY

Ladies Monthly Social was held on Monday, September 11th at the Desdemona Community Center School Building. There was plenty of good food and great fellowship for everyone that attended this morning event. The entire room and tables were decorated with many large Confederate Flags, several books about the Civil War and the Soldiers who fought in this battle. There was several award ribbons, emblems, knives, swords, etc. on display. Each with interesting stories about the Confederacy. Hostesses for this social was Joy Rogers of Gorman and Gail Clayton of Desdemona. These ladies were dressed in their long ball gowns; very much appropriate for the occasion. There were twenty three ladies to attend this social. The next ladies monthly social will be held on Mon-

day, October 9th at the same place and same time. Visitors are always welcome to attend.

Just a Reminder - The Annual Thanksgiving Supper will be held on Saturday, November 11th at the Desdemona Community Center School Building. This annual event began in 1945 when the Community hosted a "Welcome Home" supper for the returning soldiers of World War II. More details later on.

A family birthday dinner was held on Saturday night at New York Hill Restaurant (near Gordon) for Gay (Fox) Moore of Desdemona; her daughter, Renee (Moore) White and her son, Cory White of Stephenville. Others attending were "Shorty" Fox and Larry Moore of Desdemona; Bruce White, daughter, Chelsea and friend, Jeremy all of Stephenville and Paul and Susan Moore and children, Hagan and Scarlett of Lingleville.

Our sincere sympathy goes out to the family of Velma (Melton) Carr, 89, of Gorman. Burial was a graveside service on Saturday, September 2 at the Desdemona Cemetery. She was born on September 14, 1916 in Eastland County to Lonzo and Beulah (Weeks) Melton. Survivors include two sons, Donald Carr and Keith Carr; a daughter, Wandy Morrow. Preceded in death by her parents and her husband, Henry Ewell Carr.

Dr. Jack Hittson of Rockwall, brother of Mildred Million of Desdemona is recovering from surgery at the Baylor Hospital.

Russell Duke and daughters, Elise and Katie of Stephenville visited the past weekend with his parents, "Humpty" and Betty Duke. Have a Nice Day, Coon.

4-H NEWS

Dale Dunlap, CEA-Ag
Eastland County
September 7, 2006

PASTURE TO PACKER PROGRAM

The 2006-2007 4-H/FFA Pasture To Packer Program will kick off in October. If you are interested in participating in this program, please call the Extension Office by Wednesday, September 27th to sign up. The feeding period will be concluded in mid-March with Hoof Judging. The program is a very enlightening one in that youth have the sole responsibility of securing financing, selecting their steer and management of the project. For more information over the project, you may secure a pamphlet of the rules and guidelines at the Texas Cooperative Extension Office on 1st Floor of the Courthouse or by calling Dale Dunlap, County Extension Agent at 254/629-1093.

COUNTY & MAJOR MARKET HOG VALIDATION

All 4-Hers who plan on showing a market hog at any major show or the county show must have them validated. Cost will be \$8.00 per head for major show hogs. You do not need to order tags for county show hogs, order for major shows ONLY!

If you want to validate state hogs you must order your tags through the County Extension Agent's office before September 15th. You will need to pay for tags when you order them.

We think the date to validate will be around the week of November 21st, but this is not for certain. I will know for sure after September 15th. Tentatively mark the week of November 20th and check your next newsletter or watch the newspaper.

September 15th is the last day you can order major show Validation Tags!!

Do Not Forget!!!!

EASTLAND COUNTY FOOD SHOW

The Eastland County Food Show will be hosted by the Olden 4-H Club on Saturday, September 16, 2006 at Siebert Elementary School Cafeteria. Registration will begin at 9:00 a.m. and the contest begins at 9:30 a.m.

Entry Deadline: 4-Hers must submit Project Record Form to the Eastland County Extension Office by Monday, September 11th with age division and what category your are entering. There will be no exceptions to this deadline!!!

Clover Kids, Juniors, Intermediates and Seniors will be required to turn in a Project Record Form along with a copy of your recipe. Also there will be a poster contest for all ages. This is a county and district contest only ... no advancement to state. The theme is "Grains", and awards will be given for each age category at District. There will be one award for best overall poster at County. There will be a "Best Garnished Dish Award" for each age category at the County Show. This a county-only award.

Your Food Show packet can be picked up at the Texas Cooperative Extension Office in Eastland in the Courthouse or from your Club Manager. If you have any questions, or need further clarification, contact the Texas Cooperative Extension Office at 629-2222 or 629-1093. Dale Dunlap or Linda Stroebel can help you.

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Date Of Publication: 09-14-06

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Construction of 11,00 LF of 6" PVC Water Line;
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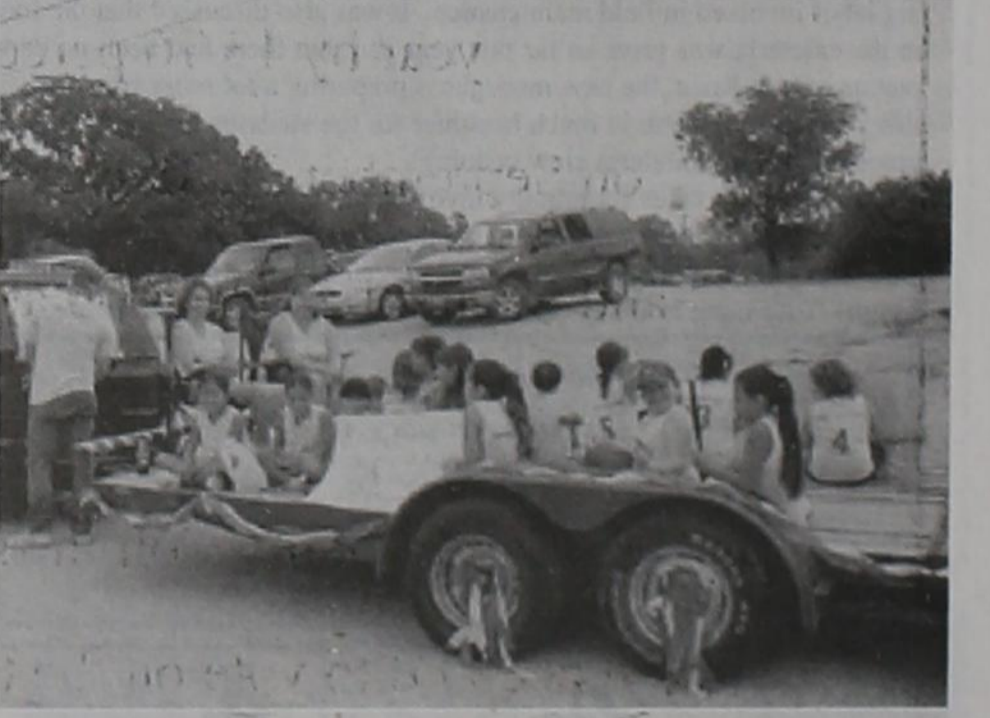
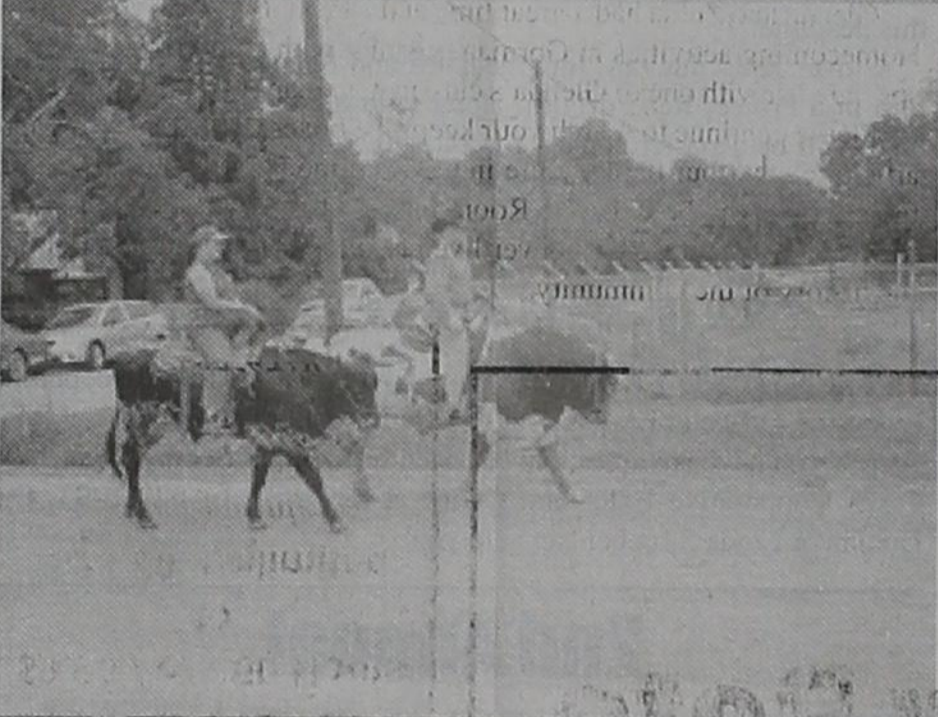
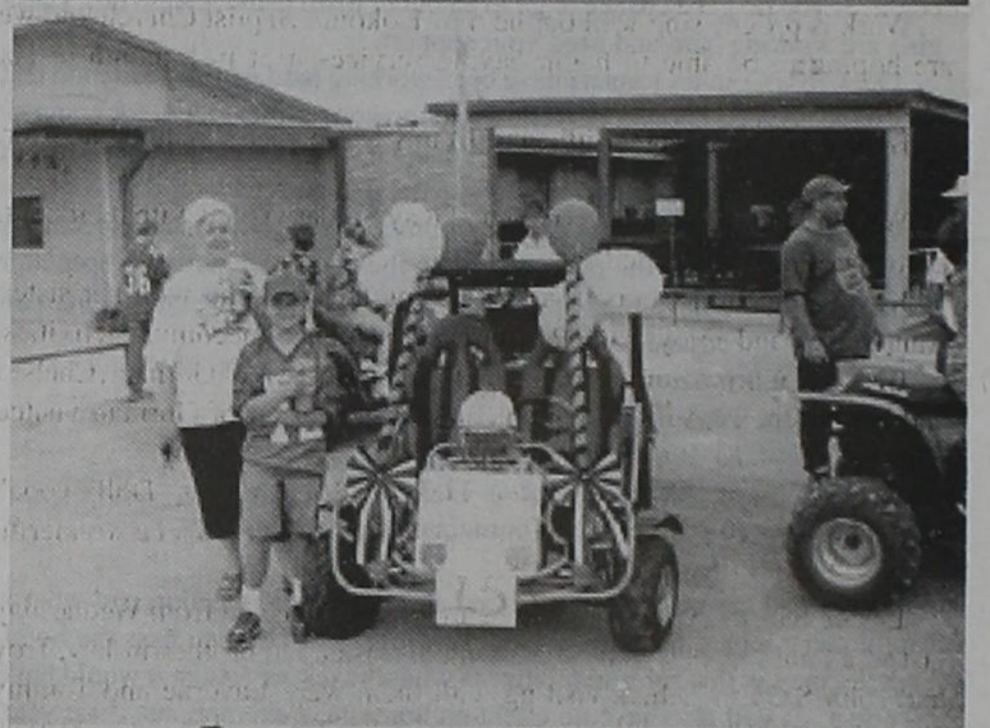
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PEANUT FESTIVAL PARADE PHOTOS



Kokomo News

By Zelda Jordan

Many from the Kokomo Community were in Gorman on Saturday to attend the Peanut Festival Parade and other Festival activities; the dedication of the Historical Marker for the Blackwell Hospital, and the unveiling of the marker honoring the late Dr. D.V. Rodgers; the Gorman School Homecoming activities, and the honoring of the 1976 football team that won the Class A State Championship that year. There were three boys and a coach from our community on the team: Billy Burgess, Jamie Snider and Stacy Webb, and Coach Joe Bond. And we claimed Mel Maxfield as he was a member of the Kokomo Baptist Church. The weather was nice and cloudy, neither hot nor cold, making it a great day for visiting with friends and neighbors and enjoying all the activities, and many were recalling their memories of the game and the rain that fell all during the game and the icy road conditions on the way home from Taylor, but Gorman had won the ball game and everyone was happy.

Bro. Gnoah Goad of Breckenridge, the new Director of Missions of the Cisco Baptist Association, preached at the Kokomo Baptist Church on Sunday, September 10th. Other visitors were his wife, Martha, Kay Womack of Coppel, Ben Burgess of Gorman, Chelsea and Haley Buckley of Desdemona. "Happy Birthday" was wished to Ashley Little who was 12 on September 11, and to Zelda Jordan. Norma Webb gave a reminder of the Mary Hill Davis Mission offering that is on going this month. Ruth Rodgers told of the opportunity for church members to buy "Flip Flops" to send to a country where they are badly needed. Woodrow and Helen Browning rendered the beautiful special music "Boundless Love". Bro. Goad brought a wonderful message from John 3:16 in the morning service and another good message from 1 Samuel 15:22-23 in the evening service on "Obedience is better than repentance". It is better to obey God than to need to repent.

Bro. Jerry Speer of Ranger will preach at the Kokomo Baptist Church on Sunday, September 17th.

Members of the Kokomo Baptist church went to the Heritage Manor in Gorman for the church service on Sunday afternoon. Woodrow Browning directed the music with Ruby Lee Kinser at the piano. Ed Rodgers brought the devotional. Others attending were Helen Browning, Joe and Glynda Bond, Bobby and Mary Jane Little, Jimmy Little, Kay Snider, Ann Warren, Nancy Hendricks, Zelda Jordan and Ed's granddaughter, Kari Rodgers of Georgetown. Many of the residents attended the service.

Work is progressing well on the new Kokomo Baptist Church and we are hoping to be able to begin having services in it in a month or six weeks.

Bobby and Mary Jane Little and Jimmy Little visited with their sister, Ima Boles at Heritage Manor.

Woodrow and Helen Browning and Kay Snider visited with their aunt, Lottie Morris at Heritage Manor.

Kay Womack of Coppel visited during the weekend with her sister, Ann Warren and enjoyed the Peanut Festival and Homecoming activities.

Billy and Cheryl Burgess of Granbury, Ben Burgess of Gorman, Chelsea and Haley Buckley of Desdemona and Aline Garrett of Gorman visited with Durwood and Aletha Burgess.

Woodrow and Helen Browning vacationed recently at "Dollywood" and other points of interest in Tennessee and report they had a wonderful trip.

Lester and Alice Rich of Grand Junction, CO visited from Wednesday last week until Tuesday this week with his sister and brother-in-law, Troy and John Scitern. Others visiting with them were Laverne and Tommy Carr of Lake Whitney, Johnny and JoAnn Scitern, Kris, Kristin, Karsyn and Kyndall Scitern and Keri, Nicholas, Kelsey and Nashton Guthery of Gorman.

Justin Snider, Gene and Kay Snider, Craig, Kael and Matthew Snider of Hollis, OK visited with LaVon Snider. LaVon visited with Dwayne and Connie Snider of Stephenville and Jamie and Stephanie Snider of Hollis,

Gorman City Commissioners Meetings Aug. 29 - Sept. 8

AUGUST 29, 2006

The Gorman City Commission met on the above date in a Called / Special meeting. Those present were Mayor Robert Ervin and Commissioners Joe Casey and Nathan Files. Absent was Charlie Torrez.

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

Mayor Ervin called the meeting to order @ 7:38 a.m.

Joe made the motion to adopt .78790 / \$100 tax rate for the proposed tax rate for the year 2006. Nathan made a second and the motion carried.

There being no further business Nathan made the motion to adjourn with a second from Joe. Motion carried, time was 7:46 a.m.

SEPTEMBER 8, 2006

The Gorman City Commission met on the above date. Those present were Mayor Robert Ervin, Commissioners Charlie Torrez, Joe Casey, and Nathan Files. Others present were Don Underwood, Teresa Lewis, and Scott Hetrick.

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

Mayor Ervin called the meeting to order @ 5:31 p.m.

Joe made the motion to approve the minutes with one correction, change p.m. to a.m. on the 8/29/06 adjourn time. Charlie made a second and the motion carried 2-0. (Nathan was a few minutes late.)

Charlie made the motion to approve the bills for payment. Joe made a second. Motion carried 3-0.

Tacy read the letter and report from Upper Leon informing the city of the rate increase effective October 1. After much discussion Charlie made the motion to raise the cost per thousand from 3.50 to 3.75. Nathan made a second. Motion carried 3-0. The increase will not reflect on bills until November 1, 2006.

Nathan made the motion to appoint Don Underwood to fill the position of the resigned Tony Carter. Joe made a second. Motion carried 3-0.

Joe made the motion for the City Judge to ride to Eastland with the officers when there has to be an arraignment of a prisoner. This will eliminate the officers having to make two trips to Eastland. Don made

Ok at the Peanut Festival Parade in Gorman on Saturday.

Those visiting with Nancy Hendricks were Glenda Joyce Black of Abilene, Zelda Jordan, Patsy Ogle Hennis of El Paso, June Rountree, Doris Bradshaw and Sylvia Buchanan.

Ray Neal and Melissa Little of Eastland, Emily Little and Kourtney of Abilene, Lavell and Jerry Hallmark of San Angelo and James, Jill, Ashley and Breckley Little visited with Jimmy and Verna Lee Little.

Glenda Black of Abilene visited with her mother, Zelda Jordan from Thursday evening until Saturday afternoon. Jimmy Nelson of Carbon and Daisy Slaton of Gorman met them at ZJ's in Gorman for a birthday dinner celebrating Zelda's birthday on Thursday evening. Zelda thanks everyone for the cards, telephone calls, visits and gifts. She had a wonderful time celebrating her birthday all week. Other visitors were Norma Webb and Sylvia Buchanan.

Glenda and Zelda had a great time at the Peanut Festival and School Homecoming activities in Gorman, visiting with many friends. Had a special visit with one of Glenda's classmates, Juanava Collins of Plano.

Please continue to search your keepsake boxes, etc. for pictures and articles about your family's life in the Kokomo Community and share them with us in the Kokomo Room in the Eastland County Historical Museum. Every family who ever lived here at any time is important to the history of the community.

a second to the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

Doug Caffey will resign as Chief of Police September 22, 2006, but he will be kept on retainer for three months, until a new officer or chief position may be filled. Doug will work the required minimum hours as a full / part-time officer.

Cameron Gulley, CPA, was not present.

Tacy read the first reading of Ordinance # 2006-04, Ad Valorem Tax for 2006 property tax.

Nathan made the motion to charge \$25 for use of electricity at the City Park. The meter boxes will start being locked, where a payment will be collected before electricity can be used. Charlie made a second. Motion carried 4-0.

There being no further business for discussion Charlie made a motion to adjourn with a second from Joe. Motion carried 4-0 time was 6:45 p.m.

AGRICULTURAL VIEWPOINT

By: Dale Dunlap

WINTER WEED CONTROL FOR LAWNS

Early September is the time to be applying fall preemergents for the control of annual winter weeds in home lawns, sports fields and on golf courses. One of the big reasons for poor weed control with the fall pre-emergent applications, is that individuals wait too late to make their treatments. Once the weed seed has germinated and the plant is growing, the majority of these preemergents will not control the weeds. The preemergents need to be applied before the weed seed starts to germinate.

Note, there are two exceptions to this. The preemergent herbicides Simazine and Kerb both have postemergent activity as well as preemergent activity. These two products can be applied after many of the winter weeds have already started to germinate and grow and still provide effective winter weed control. A second major reason for failure is not watering the herbicide in thoroughly. For preemergent herbicides to work, they need to be watered down into the top layer of the soil where most of the weed seed are germinating.

Also, many of these herbicides are broken down by sunlight and if left on top of the turfgrass, they will lose some of their activity.

Preemergent herbicides are the most effective means for control of annual grassy weeds in turfgrasses. If the turfgrass is completely dormant, then you can use herbicides such as Glyphosate (Roundup) or Glufosinate - ammonium (Finale) for winter grassy weed control. However, for most of our winters, many of the turfgrasses being grown in home lawns and on sports fields and golf courses do not go completely dormant. Using one of these products when the turf is not completely dormant could cause severe injury to the turfgrasses.

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Notice Of Vote On Tax Rate

The Eastland County Commissioner's Court conducted public hearings on a proposal to increase the total tax revenues of the County of Eastland from properties on the tax roll in the preceding year by 13.76 percent on September 7, 2006 at 2:00 p.m. and September 11, 2006 at 8:00 a.m.

The Eastland County Commissioner's Court is scheduled to vote on the tax rate that will result in that tax increase at a public meeting to be held on September 25, 2006 at 10:00 a.m.

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You are welcome email me at jake@txol.net

The road to prosperity is just one decision away! I would love to talk with you about joining our team!

Senior Citizens News

Carol Ward

August 30 Meeting

We had our weekly dinner on August 30th, a little late. I want to thank all of you for being so patient in waiting. Ann Maxfield was our guest mediator as Barbara Bush was out of town. James Mears gave the blessing of our food. We had 29 present. I do hope more will come as the weather cools. This rain and cooler temperatures has been wonderful. We are all so thankful to be blessed.

Sarah and Ariane Overstreet were with us for lunch. Enjoyed them being here especially little Ariane. She is such a live one, brightens us and the center so much.

We sang Happy Birthday to Betty Regian and Eula Lee Mears. Betty had a lovely Birthday Party at the Hotel dining room on Saturday the 2nd of September. He daughter, Barbara had made several cakes that were delicious. Many family and friends attended.

We are planning on going out to eat in De Leon on the 12th of September. This will be in conjunction with Grandparents Day. This will be a free meal from the Seniors Fund. We will meet at the Center at 5:00 p.m. I do hope we have a good crowd to show up.

It was so nice to have Dara Holland and Maxine Swint come from Desdemona to be with us. Hope they will come more often, and bring others.

A new guest was with us, Craig Rogers. He is a missionary to Honduras. We enjoyed him and his stories. He also lost his home to the fire in Carbon.

We played no games on Friday and probably won't this Friday. Not until we decide on a new day.

Sorry for this to be late. I had several errands that day. I went to town with report in my purse, and then forgot all about it.

September 6th

It was so good to have Barbara Bush back with us. Especially after all that happened the week before. She called us to order on September 6th at 11:30. We had a good crowd of 33 present. Zelda Jordan gave the blessing with always such good words.

We talked about going to Hwy 6 Cafe on Tuesday, the 12th for supper. This is a test on the seniors. I believe around 20 signed up to go, hope all can make it. We should have enough cars to carry all to De Leon.

I met Norma Merworth at Betty Regian birthday party. It was so nice to have her eat lunch with us. Hope she continues to come and bring more from the hotel. We would love to gain an attendance of 50.

We enjoyed having Jennifer Overstreet and Eli to visit. Its always fun to see the little ones. She is Annie Foster's grand and great-grandchildren.

After our ceiling falling out twice during our rains, we were glad to be able to meet at all. It was iffy for awhile, but we decided it was OK. All had fallen that was going to.

We had no game playing as nearly everyone played in the Tournament, Saturday the 9th. This was part of the fun at the Peanut Festival. Max Bush and Bill Sandlin won!!! They get plenty of practice in the center twice a week.

I want to thank everyone who had anything to do with the planning of the festival. You all outdid yourselves, also the workers. This was the best festival we have had in years!! I just wish more would enter the parade, like we used to have in years past.

AGRICULTURAL VIEWPOINT

By: Dale Dunlap
5-HOUR CEU COURSE

The annual 5-Hour CEU Course will be offered to those private, commercial and non-commercial applicators needing CEU's on September 20th from 8:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. at the Cisco Junior College Ag Department in Cisco. Cost is \$5.00 per person. Topics to be covered are Pesticide Laws & Regulations - Jan Hatler, Texas Department of Agriculture; Chemical Control for Mesquite and Prickly Pear - Dr. Allan McGinty, Texas Cooperative Experiment, San Angelo; Drift Minimization - Dr. Billy Warrick, Texas Cooperative Extension, San Angelo; Weed Management in Farm Ponds - Dr. Michel Masser, Texas Cooperative Extension, College Station; National Animal Identification System (Premise ID) - Kenny Ector, Texas Animal Health Commission, Animal ID Program Coordinator.

Lunch will be furnished by Cisco Junior College. Individuals with disabilities who require an auxiliary aid, service or accommodation in order to participate in this program are encouraged to contact Texas Cooperative Extension in Eastland County at 254/629-1093 to determine how reasonable accommodations can be made.

Shin Oaks BBQ Cookoff Winners Announced

The results of the Shin Oaks Bar-b-que Cookoff are: Grand Champion - Jack Selman; Reserve Grand Champion - Billy Gilbreath; Fartherst Traveled - Chuck Macias.



BRISKET WINNERS - First Place - Roland Phillips; Second Place - Jack Selman and Third Place - Billy Gilbreath. Other winners are Fourth Place - Rusty Gilbreath; Fifth Place - Richard Owen; Sixth Place - Richard Lett; Seventh Place - J. C. Elliott; Eighth Place - Chuck Macias and Ninth Place - Justin Underwood.



CHICKEN WINNERS - First Place - Richard Lett; Second Place - Casey Shupp and Third Place - Billy Gilbreath. Other winners are Fourth Place - J. C. Elliott; Fifth Place - Chuck Macias; Sixth Place - Roland Phillips; Seventh Place - Jack Selmon; Eighth Place - Rusty Gilbreath and Ninth Place - Richard Owen.



SPARE RIBS WINNERS - First Place - Jack Selman; Second Place - Chuck Macias and Third Place - J. C. Elliott. Other winners are Fourth Place - Billy Gilbreath; Fifth Place - Roland Phillips; Sixth Place - Rusty Gilbreath; Seventh Place - Casey Shupp; Eighth Place - Richard Owen Ninth Place - Richard Lett and Tenth Place - Justin Underwood.



PINTO BEAN WINNERS - First Place - J. C. Elliott; Second Place - Jack Selman (Wynogene Smith) and Third Place - Chuck Macias. Other winners are Fourth Place - Roland Phillips; Fifth Place - Richard Owen; Sixth Place - Rusty Gilbreath; Seventh Place - Billy Gilbreath.

USDA Issues Final '05 Counter-Cyclical Payments

Agriculture Secretary Mike Johanns announced that USDA's Commodity Credit Corporation (CCC) will issue final 2005-crop upland cotton, grain sorghum and peanut counter-cyclical payments beginning today. This is the earliest that producers will have received final counter-cyclical payments for these commodities.

"Drought and low market prices are just two factors adversely affecting many producers this year," said Johanns. "These payments will help many farmers during this difficult period to remain a viable part of America's agriculture sector in the future."

Upland Cotton

The final 2005-crop upland cotton counter-cyclical payment rate is 13.73 cents per pound. The upland cotton payment rate is at the maximum level due to market prices averaging well below the 52-cent-per-pound loan rate during the marketing year. Because of these low market prices, USDA is able to calculate the final counter-cyclical payment rate for upland cotton at this time. If market prices were higher, USDA would calculate the payment rate after USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS) announces the national average market price in October.

Required by the 2002 Farm Bill, final Counter-Cyclical Program (CCP) payments for upland cotton are made following the marketing year. The 2002 Farm Bill provided for the availability of partial 2005-crop CCP payments in October 2005 and in February 2006. Producers who accepted the two partial payments received 9.61-cents-per-pound. They are due an additional 4.12-cents-per-pound.

Grain Sorghum

The final 2005-crop grain sorghum counter-cyclical payment rate is \$0.27 per bushel. The grain sorghum payment rate is at the maximum level due to market prices averaging well below the \$1.95 per bushel loan rate during the marketing year. Because of these low market prices, USDA is able to calculate the final counter-cyclical payment rate for grain sorghum at this time, prior to NASS's release of the final season average price at the end of September.

Final CCP payments for grain sorghum are normally made following the marketing year. The 2002 Farm Bill provided for the availability of partial 2005-crop CCP payments in October 2005 and in February 2006. Grain sorghum producers who accepted the two partial payments received \$0.1890 per bushel. They are due an additional \$0.081 per bushel.

Peanuts

CCC announced that peanut farmers will receive 2005-crop counter-cyclical payments of \$104 per short ton. The final weighted average marketing year price for 2005-crop peanuts, which was announced on Aug. 31, 2006, is \$346 per short ton, \$9 lower than the \$355

national average loan rate.

The 2002 Farm Bill requires final counter-cyclical program (CCP) payments for peanuts to be made after the end of the marketing year. The 2002 Farm Bill provides for partial 2005-crop CCP payments in October 2005 and February 2006. Producers who accepted the first and second partial CCP payments for 2005-crop peanuts have received \$72.80 per ton and are due an additional \$31.20 per ton.

The counter-cyclical payment rate is the amount by which a commodity's target price exceeds its effective price. The effective price equals the direct payment rate plus the higher of: (1) the national average market price received by producers during the marketing year, or (2) the national average loan rate for the commodity. The counter-cyclical payment amount equals the CCP payment rate, times 85 percent of the farm's base acreage, times the farm's CCP yield per crop. USDA's Farm Service Agency distributes CCP payments on behalf of CCC.

For more information on the direct and counter-cyclical payment program, contact your local USDA Service Center or visit: <http://www.fsa.usda.gov/pas/publications/facts/html/dcp06.htm> online.



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