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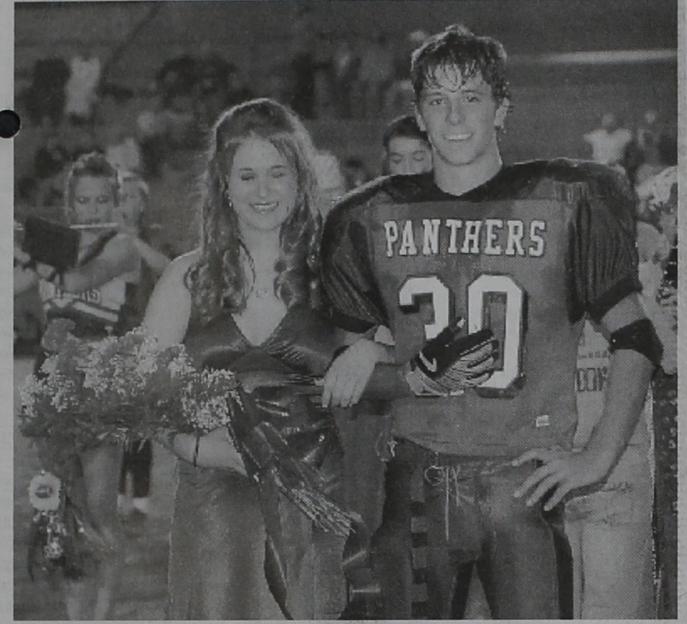
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## **2008 Homecoming Queen Crowned Friday Night**



The 2008 Homecoming Queen (above) for Gorman High School is Barbara Sherman. She was escorted by Matt Underwood. She was crowned Queen during the Gorman Panther Homecoming game against Santo. The Coming Home Queen (below) for this year is Sandra Osborne, she was escorted by her son, Philip Osborne. The other nominees for Homecoming Queen with their escorts and underclass princesses and Football Sweetheart and Band Sweetheart are on Page Five of this issue.



## **Panthers Overpower Wildcats**; **Play At De Leon Friday**

GAME AT A GLANCE 13 16 First Downs 24/345 Carries/yds. 56/194 Passing Yds. Complete/Int. 0 of 4/0 Punts/Avg. 3/24 Fumbles/Lost 010 010 Penalties

The Panthers continued their winning ways on Friday night as they hosted the Santo Wildcats in another District Contest and outscored the Wildcats 49-6. The big Red scored 14 in each of the first 2 quarters and led 28-0 at the halftime mark. They added 14 in the third and 7 in the final quarter for the margin.

The Big Red Defense held the Wildcats on the opening possession and got the ball on the Wildcat 43. They scored in 4 plays with Matt Underwood rambling in from 15 yards out with 6:08 left. Tyson Swanner added the point after and Gorman was up 7-0. The drive featured 2 runs of 15 and 4 by Underwood and a 4 yard run by Drew McCreless.

After holding the Wildcats for the next possession the Panthers got the ball on the Santo 45 and scored in 3 plays with Ben Burgess catching a beautiful pass for the final 20 yards from Swanner. Swanner added the point after and the score rose to 14-0. The drive featured runs of 15 and 1 by Underwood and 9 yard pass to Underwood.

The Big Red Defense again held the Wildcats and took me ball on their own 44 and scored in 3 plays with Drew McCreless getting the honors from 25 yards out on a run with 10:08 left in the second. Swanner added the point after and Gorman was up 21-0. The drive featured a pass of 15 and a run of 11 by Underwood.

The Panthers got the ball again on the Wildcat 43 and scored in just 3 plays with Underwood getting the score from 14 yards out with 5:42 left in the second quarter. Swanner again added the point after and Gorman led 28-0. This score held up till halftime.

Following the homecoming festivities at halftime for GHS and the great job by the Santo Band the crowd was thrilled by

Following the haftime the Panthers took the kickoff on their own 42 and went the dis-



IN THE GRASP - Sean Bates, Tyler Johnson and other Panthers stopped the Wildcats in game action Friday.



STOPPED AT THE LINE - Matthew Cogburn, Cameron Clark, Tyler Johnson and Drew McCreless and other Panthers join together to put the end to a drive by the Wildcats in game action Friday.

tance in only 2 plays with Swanner rambling through the Wildcat defense for 45 yards and the TD with 11:00 left in the third. Swanner also ran for 11 on the drive. Swanner added the point after and the score rose to 35-0.

Then after stopping the Wildcats on their next possession the Panthers got the ball on their own 26 and scored in just one big blast as Underwood broke loose through the defense and behind some good blocks rambled 74 yards with 9:24 left in the third. Swanner kicked the point after and Gorman was up 42-0.

The Wildcats finally got a drive started and from their own 13 they scored in 17 plays with Matt Hubbard going in from 30 yards out with 10:25 left. The kick for point failed and Gorman led 42-6.

With a bunch of reserve players in the game the Panthers got the ball on the Santo 48 and scored in 9 plays with Cameron Clark getting the honors from 2 yards out with 4:59 left. Swanner added the point after and Gorman led 49-6. The drive featured runs of 7 by A. J. Vaughn, runs of 12 and 2 by Justin Little, 11 and 3 by Trevor Williams, and runs of 4, 6, 1 by Clark.

Underwood led the Panthers with 10 runs for 179 and 2 passes of 9 & 15. Swanner had 59 on 2 carries, Drew McCreless had 44 on 3. Clark got 13 on 4 and Williams, Little and Vaughn each carried 1

The Big Red Defense did a great job with the Wildcats and will need to do yeoman service this week as the Panthers travel to De Leon in the final game of the regular season. So follow the Panthers to De Leon on Friday and show them we are behind them all the way.

Go Get 'Em Big Red!!

Come join us for a Veterans' Day Celebration on Tuesday, November 11 at Gorman High School. The program will begin at 10:00 and there will be a special reception for our guests following the Celebration in the library. Make plans to attend this special event.

## HALLOWEEN COSTUME PARADE HELD SATURDAY

This years Halloween Costume Parade was an all time new event. It was held on All Saints Day, in broad daylight and it was very warm, we started at the other end, and we didn't have as many participants as we expected. BUT we did have fun. There were about 200 participants who filled the street as we went from the Post Office down to the Sr. Citizen Building.

I would like to thank each and everyone who help make this years Costume Parade a Hugh success. Those who marched in the parade, those who watched, Our local police dept. and Fire Dept. for leading the parade. Mayor Robert for all his help, Mr. Boles and his students for sacking all the candy. Tacy and Jill for making sure everything was getting done.

A big thank you to everyone who donated money or candy. I greatly appreciate City Gro. and Bob's Gro. for putting out donation cans and rounding up the goodies for me.

There were a lot of individuals who donated but I was not able to get every ones names. I would like to list all the businesses that donated. There are some business that I never made it around to. Sorry...but get ready I get you for the Easter Treasure Hunt.

Thank you, Antiques From Our Father's House, Birdsong Peanuts, Dr. Dan, Bob's Gro. Gorman Chamber of Commerce, City Gro. Clark Construction, Gilmore Auto, Gorman Pharmacy, Gorman Progress, Nathan's Barber Shop, Panda's Floral and Gifts, Smith's Service Station, The Hair Shoppe, The Peanut Hut, Gorman Lions Club, Simmon's Propane and nates your child, special testing will be needed in order to com-Leon Valley Trading Co. If I have left someone out please let me know.

Ina Smith

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If you wish to nominate a child, please do so by going to the Elementary Office and completing the proper form. Any nominations should be made before November 24, 2008.

Finally, please be aware that if you or a teacher nomiplete the identification process.

Sincerely,

Thank you again for all your support. Kristin Matteson and Jackie Gutierrez Gifted and Talented Coordinators

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

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

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

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

**Boy Scouts** 

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

Oakland Cemetery Association is accepting donations for the Care of the Cemetery. Donations can be sent to Oakland Cemetery Association, P. O. Box 532, Gorman, Tx 76454 or to American State Bank, Gorman, Texas 76454

4-H – Meets Second Monday of Each Month at 6:00 p.m. at the First United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall - Amy Wood - 734-2973.

VET Science 4-H Project - 4th Tuesday each Month. Techology Center / Gorman Community Center. Contact Lee or Amy Wood at 254-734-2973.

Gorman Masonic Lodge No. 716 A.F. & A. M. Regular stated meetings are 2nd Tuesday of each month at 7:30 p.m. Members are urged to attend. Visitors are always welcome. Gerald Ragland, Master - Roscoe Reeves, Secretary.

### **Pig Tales** From Hogtown

Wow! 'Johnny Johnson and the Memory-Makers' blew the doors off the DAC last Thursday evening! Our second monthly dance was a huge success and we all had a great time. The good news is that we will have the 'Memory-Makers' back on November 20th. Make plans now to attend on November 20th. The concession stand opens at 6:00P.M. The music starts at 7:00 and the band will play until 9:30.

How about some fish? Our once-postponed fish fry will be held November 15 beginning at 5:30. We will have fish, chicken and all the trimmings. I'll bet we can get the wonderful cooks in Desdemona to bring some desserts for us, also! And, as a special treat, Dr. Dan & the Band-Aids will play that evening.

I want to thank everyone who came to 'Breakfast at the DAC' last Saturday morning. We had a record number to attend! We sure do have a good time visiting and eating, don't we? The next breakfast will be December 6th.

December 6th will be a very busy day for us at the DAC. Not only is it breakfast day but also it is the first weekend of our Christmas Store and, also, the day that we will draw a name for the rifle.

The annual Christmas Store will be held December 4, 5, and 6 and December 11, 12 and 13 from 9:00A.M. until 6:00P.M each day.

The rifle is a Ruger Hawkeye. You can choose which caliber you want and the kind of stock that you want. Tickets are \$2.00 each or 3 for \$5.00. You can get tickets at the Country Corner Café in Desdemona.

See you in Desdemona! -- Carol Pell

## Classifieds

LOST: Brown Canon Camera in blue case downtown after Halloween parade. KEEP THE CAMERA. \$Reward\$ for the return of the SD card with pictures. Contains pics of son's baptism and presurgery pics. Will give you the attachments for the camera and new SD card. No questions asked. 254-734-5029

GARAGE SALE: Saturday, November 15th at The Hair Shoppe on Highway 6 West from 8 a.m. till ??? Sponsored by The Senior Travel Club. Furniture, household goods and miscellaneous items.

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2-11-6 P.

### Taking Detailed Sealed Bids! Gorman ISD is taking Detailed Sealed Bids on Roof Top Heating and AC Units

for the Elementary Building and JRHS Wing of the High School. Sealed Bids are due by 3:00 p.m. on Friday, November 7, 2008. Spec Sheets can be picked up at the Superintendent Office or from Ron Childers.

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

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### New At The **Library This Week**

The Shack - William P. Young

**Self Matters** - Phil McGraw

The 9/11 Commission Report

Just Like Jesus - Max Lucado

Christ The Lord, Out of Egypt - Anne Rice

COME BY AND CHECK IT OUT!!!

### Gorman High School Student **Council Invites You To The:**

\*Fajita Tailgate Party\*

Come out and support our cubs during there last game of the 2008 season.

We will be serving Fajitas for \$2.00 each with all the fixings. Drinks and baked goods for an additional charge.

> When: Thursday, Nov. 6th Where: Football field parking lot Time: 4:30 P.M. - 7:00 P.M.

### Basketball Sign-Ups - Grades 3rd thru 6th

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

### Spirit Socks

The Gorman FCCLA is selling spirit socks. The socks are low-cut with Gorman on the front cuff in Red and Panthers in Royal Blue on the back. They are selling them 3 pr. for \$10.00. They will be selling them until Friday, Nov. 7th. They will be delivered two weeks later (Nov. 24th). The socks come in size S-child size socks (Shoe size 6-2) M - Medium Size Sock 9-11 (Shoe size 2-9) and L- Large size sock 10-13 (Shoe size 9-13). Please contact Mrs. Kellar at the school or any FC CLA member. Payment is due at the time of order. The money raised will help pay for expenses associated with their competition in San Angelo.

### LETTERS

We received a letter to the editor recently that was not signed. We do not run any letter received unless they are signed. If you want a letter ran in the Progress, please be sure and sign your name. Thanks, Lonnie B.

DESDEMONA - GARAGE SALE: Saturday November 8th 2 Miles North on Highway 16: Sears Riding Mower, Coats, Hand Saws, Teen and Adult Clothes, Household Items and Miscellaneous Items.



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455 A, wells, tanks, creek, tree covered, hunting, Hwy.6 frontage [RS01] \$1,912,000 320±A, on Turkey Creek, creek, wildlife cover, tanks, well, hunting [ET01] \$880,000 250±A, on Copperas Creek, wooded, coastal, lake, cabin, rural water [LB01] \$795,000 243 A, reservoir, wells, irrig.pit, on hwy., cultivation, costal, pasture [AB01] \$2,500/acre 236±A, wells, tanks, rolling terrain, minerals available, hunting [DS02] \$2,195/acre 231 A, on Leon River, wells, pecan trees, hunting SOLD [DK01] \$665,280

81 A, Pecan Orchard, 900± improved variety, underground irrig, wells [REM01] \$405,000 52 A, 4-3 Brick Home, carport, wells, tanks, corrals, barns [LP01] \$239,500

51 A, highway frontage, spring creek and hunting [RP01] \$182,000 45 A, 7 irrig.wells & pit, buried mainline w/risers, minerals available [NF01] \$2,500/ Acre 30 A, 3-21/2 Custom Home, garage, porch, shed/shop, barn, wells, tanks [DB01] \$450,000 25.6 A, 4-21/2 Brick Home, garage, carport, storage bldgs, well, tanks [JB03] \$210,000 21±A, 2-2 16x72 mobile home, well, World Feeder Costal Bermuda grass [MS03] \$105,000 20 A, excellent home site, costal, rural water avail, hunting, minerals neg. [WM01] \$75,000 19±A, rolling terrain, Live Oaks, hunting, near Proctor Lk, will divide [LR03] \$2,750/ acre 4+A, 4-3 Remodeled Brick Home, additional recreational room, water well [RH02] \$149,900 5 A, 3-1 Frame Home, near Proctor Lake, metal roof, stove, barn, rural water [LC01] \$92,500 5 A, 4-2 Brick Home, metal roof, carport, pecan trees, wells & tank, fenced [WK01] \$90,000

3-2 Frame Home, CH&A, water well, carport, storage building, large lot [LR04] \$39,900 2-2 Mobile Home 14X70, 12x28 add-on, strg.bldg/carport [PA01] \$29,900 REDUCED \$22,500 2-11/2 Frame Home, new roof, attached garage, storage building [ST01] \$75,000 2-1 Frame Home, 2.3 A, screened porch, water well, storage bldg. [GB02] \$55,000

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2 steel corrals, 2 wells, shop building. Nice setup. Mineral Rights. \$2,950,00 A. 156 A. Carbon, 1/2 wooded - 1/2 fields, deer, turkey, 3 ponds, nice 2 - 2 mh, central a/C, barn, corral, county water. \$4,000 acre. 179 A. south of Gorman: Part wooded, part old fields, deer & hogs, 2 nice

ponds, sandy soil, elec., several water wells, condition is unknown. \$2,350.00 acre. SELLERS SAYS MAKE OFFER!!

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### **Panther Blankets**

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

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

### De Leon Arts & Craft Fair

De Leon's Arts and Crafts Fair is being held Saturday, November 29th at De Leon's City Hall Auditorium from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., the Admission is "FREE" to the public. Bring the Kids and have their picture taken with "Shrek".

## **Happenings At FBC!!**

Undoubtedly! Life is bursting with change. All the while, God never changes!

Mark your calendars:

November 8th - 8:00am - Brotherhood Breakfast at FBC.

November 9th - 11:00am - Cross Country Band in Concert. November 9th – Youth Spaghetti Lunch.

November 15th – Church Wide Garage Sale and proceeds will benefit Youth Group. November 16th - 6:00pm - Blackwood Legacy of Nashville

December 6th - 2:00pm - Save the Date! Bro. Barry and Shar-

lene's Open House. Liz Caraway's Children Sermon: All of the children

agreed that they know what rules are, and that they are supposed to follow the rules. The most challenging rule in the Youth House is not to throw things. The Bible tells us about the Ten Commandments, and also tells us that they are important rules. Jesus tells us the greatest commandments to follow are love the Lord your God with all your heart and soul, and love your neighbor as yourself. If we just do as Jesus commands it will make it easier for us to follow rules in school, at Church, and at home.

Bro. Barry's message was "Dead or Alive" – Joshua 1:1-

"IN THE MIDST OF CHANGE" - There has been more change in the past eleven years than the previous one hundred years. Moses is dead, arise and go. There is a Promised Land!

1. Turn Our Hearts Toward the Future. Isaiah 43:18-19 - The past is dead and behind you. Leave your baggage behind. God used Moses to part the Red Sea, but who was the first person to trust God and take the first step? Trust God to fix it; are you ready to take that first step?

2. Take Hold of the Unchanging Reality of God. -Whatever is in your life that holds you back - money, family, abuse, depression, discouragement, troubles - whatever it is, it is dead. Begin a new start.

A. The Promises of God. – Hope!

B. The Presence of God. – Assurance!

C. The Principles of God – Integrity!

3. Team Up As We Go Forward - Mark 2:22 -Help Jesus save the lost! Be bold and joyful!

Live ALIVE! Moses is DEAD, don't look back and take your first step toward the Promised Land!!! Our Worship Service begins at 11:00AM on Sunday

mornings - please come and join us!

Remember: God loves you like no one else! Email us at fbcgorman@hotmail.com

### **Obituary** Willie Faye Scott

Willie Faye Scott, age 91 of De Leon passed away on Sunday, October 28, 2008 at the De Leon Nursing and Rehab. Services were held Wednesday, October 29th at 2 p.m. at Nowlin Funeral Home Chapel with Bro. David Kelly officiating. Music by Vicki Robinett. Burial was in Garden of Memory, Erath County.

Mrs. Scott was born October 8, 1917 in Lingleville, Texas to the late William David "Willie" Sanders and Pearl Cooper Sanders. She married Othor Kemp Scott on June 1, 1935 in Goldthwaite.

Mrs. Scott was a homemaker; had lived in De Leon s 1974, having previously lived in Bagdad, AZ.; Worked several years at De Leon Public Library; member of De Leon Order of Eastern Star and a member of De Leon First Baptist Church.

She is survived by three sons, Donald Othor Scott of Pine Top, AZ., Dale Ray Scott and David Wayne Scott, both of Mesa, AZ.; Brother, Dean Sanders of McComb, Mississippi; sister Elsie Barnes of De Leon; 4 grandchildren, Debbie Scott-Astor, Mike Scott, Teri Scott Williams, and Rene' Scott Stanko; 7 great-grandchildren and one great-great-grandchild.

She was preceded by her parents, husband Othor Scott in 1986; a daughter, Linda Kaye Trow; two brothers, Doyle Sanders and Lloyd Sanders; one sister, Ruby Hessell and a grandsong, Darren

Pallbearers were Roger Winkles, Taner Winkles, Bobby Gail Winkles, Reggie Scott, Dendy Scott and Sandy Sanders.

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### Gorman Volunteer Fire Department Visits Students At Maxfield Elementary





Gorman Volunteer Fire Department was at work at Maxfield Elementary helping to educate kindergarten students about the hazards of fire. October is Fire Prevention month and students are learning what causes fires and what to do in case of a fire. Blake Guthery, Jim Guthery, and Gene Foster visited the students classroom and demonstrated what a firemen would look like in his complete outfit for fighting fires. Many times small children are scared of the firemen when they see them in all their gear. Blake did an excellent job encouraging the students to not be scared if a fire did happen in their home. Lights were cut out to show the students the reality of how dark the room would look and then Blake showed the students how the firemen will crawl to look for them if there was a fire. At first some of the students were reluctant to shake Blake's hand even though they knew he was under all the necessary gear for safety, but as Blake talked to the children he showed them there was nothing to be scared of and that they should trust the fireman when he comes to a home that is on fire. The students were also taken outside to the firetruck to learn about the equipment that is necessary for fighting fires. Gene Foster and Jim Guthery discussed what each piece of equipment was used for and how important it was for the firemen to be prepared and ready in case of an emergency. The students learned a lot from the firemen and Maxfield Elem. appreciates their help and support. It is very important for students to know what to do in case of an emergency.

### Friday, October 31st - Homecoming Night



The First Baptist Church and New Hope Baptist Church hosted the 5th Quarter Fellowship after the football game at the First Baptist Church. We had 84 students and 13 adults. We had all-u-can-eat BBQ sandwiches, chips & dip, and Brownies with ice-cream. We enjoyed fellowship and talking about the game.

The students watched a Video about "Trusting Jesus". Several students won door prizes that consisted of digital photo frames, MP3 players and an I-Pod shuffle. Everyone had a great time.

We are so fortunate to have such wonderful kids in our community.

Now let's go support our Panthers at De Leon on Friday night.

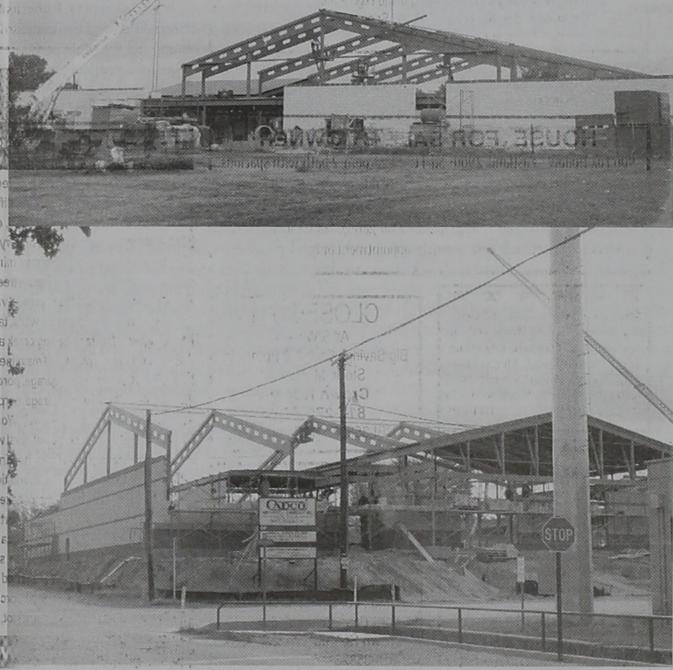
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# The Gorman Cross Country Teams Have Successful Season

Congratulations to the Cross Country Team on a Successful Season!! The team ran at 6 meets this season including District. The Varsity Girls Team included Luisa Silva, Angie Silva, Carrie Treider and Grace Treider. Top places at District were Luisa Silva, placing 29th and Carrie Treider finishing 37th. J. C. Whitten was the top Varsity Boy finishing in 14th Place. The Junior High Girls Team consisted of 7th grader Skye Lewis and Amy Hendrix; 8th grader Rachel Tucker. Skye Lewis finished in 10 place at District to receive a medal. Rachel Tucker finished in 16th place in the 8th division.

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and Voter Registration upon request Quando/WHEN: Monday nights - October 20 thru December 22

Tiempo/TIME: 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. Donde/WHERE: Gorman United Methodist Church - 303 W. Roberts

This class is for anyone who would like to improve their speaking, understanding, reading, writing, grammar or spelling in English. Child care will be provided and each evening will include

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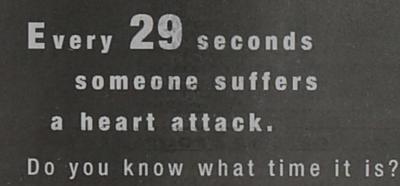
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# Super Notes

By David K. Perry

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Things are really shaping up on our building project. The doors came in last week and a lot of the block was laid. The steel decking has been going up very quickly as well. The big beams that will span the gymnasium are all up. They are awesomely enormous! Thankfully the workers have had beautifully cool weather in which to work. I hope it continues.

I am very proud of our volleyball team and their coach. They played well for two games against Tolar Saturday but fell short and will be third place in District competition, but we are still in the playoffs. This will be the second year in a row that the Lady Panthers have made it into the play offs. These girl's have worked extremely hard and for such a young team they are very good. I want to congratulate Coach Mathews for doing such a great job this year. I challenge all of you to be more supportive of all of the girl's sports and to attend their contests and be a positive influence on their performance! Our first playoff match will be over by the time you read this. We will have played Santa Anna in Dublin on Tuesday.

The Fall Festival was a great success at the Elementary last Tuesday night. It was very well attended and everyone had a great time. Thank you to all that attended. All of the funds earned that evening will help fund field trips for our students this year. We thank everyone for their generosity and I thank Mrs. Reeves, her staff and faculty for the extra time they put in to make it happen!

It was a perfect night for the home coming bonfire Wednesday night. The cheer leaders and the band did a great job. We are thankful to our fire department for being on hand and for handling the drifting sparks from the fire and keeping things safe!

The junior high football team traveled to Santo Thursday night. They played hard but came up short a few points. The score was 36 to 32. We just needed a little more time. The Cubs will play here on Thursday against DeLeon. Come out and support these young men. They have worked very hard for you this year and have a great record. This will be the last home football game in Gorman this year.

Home Coming was a blast! We had great weather and the young ladies were beautiful in their gowns. Congratulations to our 2008 Home Coming Queen, Barbara Sherman! She was escorted by Matt Underwood. The other two contestants were Audrey Johnston who was escorted by Matthew Cogburn and Lindsey Laminack who was escorted by Colby Spivey. All of the ladies were exceptionally stunning in their gowns! Our Junior Princess was Brittany Henderson who was escorted by Justin Little. Our Sophomore Princess was Amy Regian who was escorted by Matt Keith. Our Freshman Princess was Chelsea Griffin who was escorted by Jonathon Fenley. The Football Sweetheart was Jamie Johnston who was escorted by Tyson Swanner (big surprise). The Band Sweetheart was Veronica Walton who was escorted by Band Beau Nathan Flanary.

The Book Fair started Monday at the Elementary. It will be open from 8:00am thru 3:00pm. Family Night will be Tuesday, November 4th in the Elementary Library from 6:30pm to 7:30pm. Thursday and Friday the Book Fair will close early due to Pep Rally's; Thursday at 2:45pm and Friday at 2:30pm. If you have no children in school, but would like to purchase a book and donate it to the Library or to a child, please come by and make your selection and talk to Mrs. Reeves or one of her helpers about how you can make a difference in a child's life.

THANK YOU to all of the people that make Friday nights possible! I know I will probably forget someone so I might as well apologize now and get it over with and let you know that if I forgot to recognize your contribution to our success on Friday nights it was not intentional. You are appreciated! First I want to thank all of our football players and coaches because without them paid off by recording the suspect stealing fuel from two vehicles parked in front of the business. A search we would have nothing to do on Friday nights and they work the hardest of everyone and sacrifice warrant affidavit was prepared and presented to District Judge Steve Herod. Chief Deputy Robert Rains the most. Thanks to: Daryl Hirst (announcer), Ron Childers (run the clock & score keeper), Robert and Deputy David Stanley executed the warrant on the suspects place of business. When deputies ar-Ervin (spotter), Joe Bennett (press) who man the press box and keep us informed during the game; rived the suspect was in the process of off loading the stolen fuel. Deputies seized several items used in the Lion's Club for manning the chain and down marker; the band boosters, led by Melissa Os- the crime and the suspect was arrested to next day for theft and burglary of a motor vehicle. The suspect borne, for keeping us fed well all season, especially James Tucker for cooking the burgers and hot dogs and a special thanks to all of them for cleaning up the stadium after the games; the additional snacks furnished by the Senior Travel Club; our Athletic boosters, led by Becky Swanner, kept us supplied with shirts, jackets and other Panther paraphernalia; all of the business patron that support the Panthers through advertisements; our cheer leaders and band that kept us entertained in between plays and at half time; Doctor Dan and our First Responders taking care of the medical needs of our players; Mr. Panter and the gate keepers for keeping everything running smoothly; Ron Childers and crew for the best looking football field anywhere; and for the best fans in the world!

You might refer to this part of the article as my call to arms for all of you folks that care enough about the public school system in Texas to take the time right now to either call, write, or email your state representative and state senator and ask them to introduce a bill at the upcoming 81st Legislative session to increase funding to our schools. Gorman ISD has for the most part received the same amount of money for the last three years with absolutely no increase to accommodate mandated raises for teachers on the state salary scale, inflation, the rise in fuel cost, and the increase in utilities, not to mention other transportation costs. The new school finance package for the last session is sucking the life out of most of the schools in Texas and may force consolidations and closures in the near future if something is not done this Legislative session to improve finances. Under the present system, all of the increased income from increased property values goes into the general fund for the Legislature to do with as they see fit. It does not help our kids. If a school district needs to raise maintenance and operations school taxes above \$1.04, just to maintain the level of services being offered the previous year, the school district must hold an election. Previously, the school did not have to go to the expense of an election to maintain the level of service offered the year before. Previously this was referred to as the effective tax rate. The last legislature did not penalize cities, counties, or themselves with this limitation, only independent public school districts. Now is the time legislators develop bills! Now is the time we need for you to contact them. The following names and addresses are for those legislators serving this area:

### Senator Troy Fraser

http://www.senate.state.tx.us/75r/Senate/members/dist24/dist24.htm The Honorable Troy Fraser P.O. Box 12068 Capitol Station Austin, Texas 78711 (512) 463-0124 500 Chestnut Suite 810 Abilene, Texas 79602 (325) 676-7404 fax: (325) 676-8060

### Representative Jim Keffer

http://www.house.state.tx.us/members/dist60/keffer.htm Capitol Office Room EXT E2.418 P.O. Box 2910 Austin, TX 78768 (512) 463-0656 (800) 586-4515 Toll-free (512) 478-8805 Fax District Office P.O. Box 857 Eastland, TX 76448 (800) 586-4515 Toll-free

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If you love you schools and want them to have the funding they need to continue giving your children the best education they can, then please call, write, or e-mail your legislators today and often. They need to know the desires of their constituents. Jim Keffer and Troy Frasier work for you, not their political party! Sufficient, adequate, equitable school funding must be addressed in the upcoming legislative session. It cannot be put off!

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. Thank you for all you do to support us!

### TOO LATE TO CLASSIFY -- FOR SALE:

Piano and Dearborne Heaters (3) Located at 101 County Road 418 By Gorman Cemetery.

### **Daniel Keeping Starts** The New Season With A Win

Daniel Keeping traveled to Mineral Wells on Saturday, November 1st to compete in his first rodeo of the season. It was also Daniel's first steer ride. The change in animal size did not affect Dan and he made a qualified ride. After both the morning and evening shows Daniel remained in First Place and won his first event of the year.

Daniel will attempt to win a Third Championship Buckle in a row. In an effort to do this Dan will be attending a Christian Bull and Steer Riding School over three days in November. The bull and steer riding instructor is former PBR World Mike Lee. While Dan is younger than what the school normally allows, school administrators know him for his previous seasons riding calves. They waived the age requirement based on his previous experience and championship performance.

Daniel is looking forward to a new season with the Pro-Youth Rodeo Association, starting with the Future Pro Bull Riding Association and attending the riding school.

## Eastland County Sheriff's Office Report

The Eastland County Sheriff's Office statistical information for July 1, 2008 to September 30, 2008 (92 days) and the year to date totals:

The Sheriff's Office received 209 Civil Process Documents and served 175 documents with 37 documents pending service.

YTD: The Sheriff's Office received 615 Civil Process Documents and served 509.

The Sheriff's Office received 203 Arrest Warrants and served 223 warrants with 389 warrants on hand. YTD: The Sheriff's Office received 648 Arrests Warrants and served 671 warrants.

The Sheriff's Office transported 57 prisoners and traveled 8,530 miles, also transported 8 MHMR clients and traveled 2, 141 miles. The Sheriff's Office escorted 80 prisoners to court actions during this time.

YTD: The Sheriff's Office has transported 223 people and traveled 31,281 miles. The Sheriff's Office issued 11 class "c" citations, 9 warnings and generated 81 offense/incident

YTD: The Sheriff's Office has issued 72 citations, 15 warnings and generated 243 offensel incident reports.

The Eastland County Jail processed 338 people through the booking system for an average daily intake of 3.38 people.

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The Eastland County Sheriff's Office executed one drug search warrant during this time. On August 14, 2008 the Sheriff's Office, assisted by Cisco Police Department and the Texas Department of Public Safety executed a warrant on a residence in Cisco, Texas. Which resulted in the arrest of one

suspect. On July 26, 2008 Sheriff Wayne Bradford and Deputy Wendell Light answered a call of a residence being damaged South of Eastland. Several items of evidence were collected and photographs taken of damage to the residence. The Sheriff's Office developed suspects from the evidence left at the scene and several juveniles were questioned about the crime. After speaking with the suspects in this offense, Deputy Light was able to connect the suspects to the damage of the Mangum Baptist Church that had

been reported on July 20, 2008. The Sheriff's Office referred the cases to juvenile probation and approxi-

mately seven juveniles have been processed by juvenile probation in connection with these offenses. On August 1, 2008 the Sheriff's Office assisted a local business that had been experiencing the theft of fuel from vehicles parked in front. The Sheriff's Office assisted by a local utility company installed a camera system to record the front of the business. On August 3, 2008, only two days later, the camera posted bond and the case has been sent to the District Attorney's Office.

## Old Photo - Can You Recognize The Buildings In The Photo?



### Go Panthers and Lady Panthers!! **Good Luck On Your Games!!**

### Hotfooters Of Breckenridge Offer Clogging Classes

The Breckenridge Hotfooter Cloggers will offer clogging classes for beginner, intermediate and advanced students at 6:30 p.m. every Tuesday.

The dance club meets at 5 p.m. every Tuesday at the First National Bank Tower Room.

The group of cloggers performs regularly in Breck- enridge and area towns. For more information, call Shirley Anderson at (254) 559-2567.

### **Kokomo Community Center Back and Ready For Use**



Shown above is the new Kokomo Community Center that was completed the day before the annual Kokomo Homecoming and Simpson Cemetery Association Meeting on Saturday, May 3, 2008, It is available for rent at \$75.00 per day for Reunions, Birthdays, Anniversaries, etc. For more information call Norina at 254-639-2284 or Sylvia at 254-734-4027.

# Gorman Homecoming Halftime Festivities



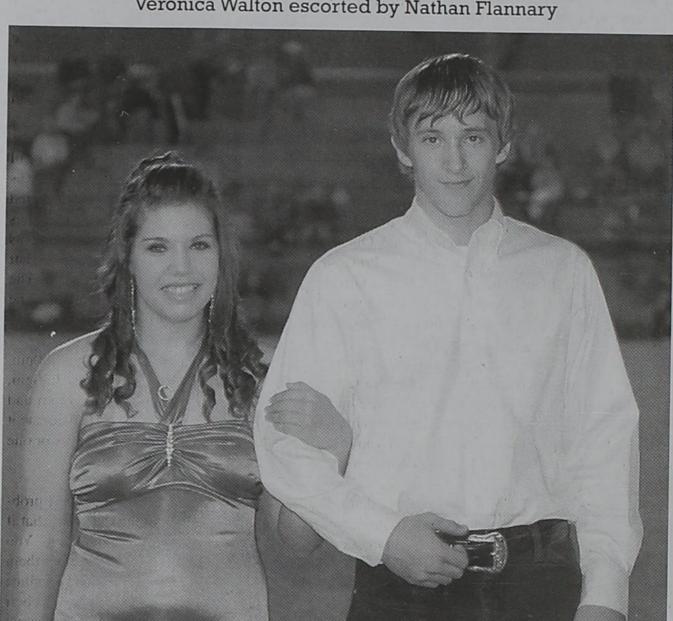
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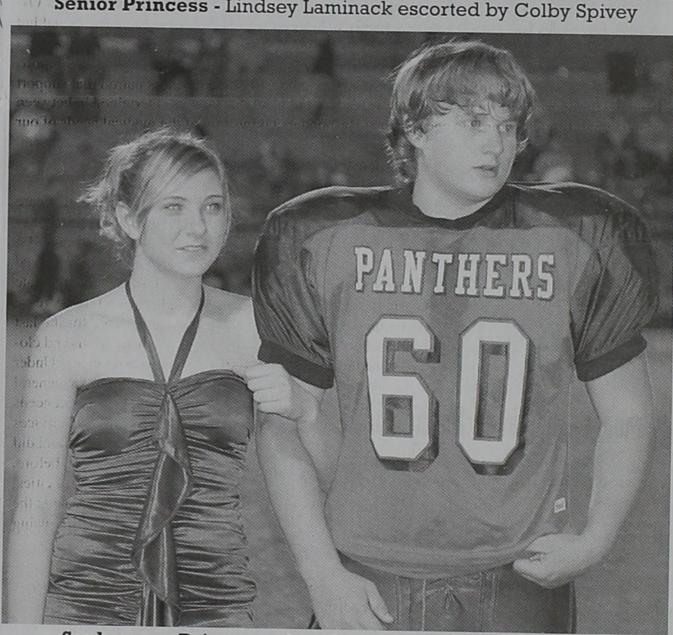
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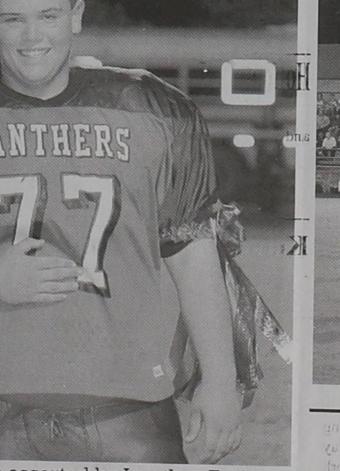
Junior Princess - Brittany Henderson escorted by Justin Little



Sophomore Princess - Amy Regian escorted by Matt Keith



Freshman Princess - Chelsea Griffin escorted by Jonathon Fenley



Congratulations to the Homecoming Queen - Football Sweetheart and Band Sweetheart and Band Beau, Senior Princesses, Junior Princess, Sophomore Princess and Freshman Princess and their escorts and the Panther Ghoulish Band who performed during the ceremony. Good Job All!!



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### **Cub Scout Halloween Party**

Do you recognize any of these Ghouls? Monday October 27th the cub scouts had a costume party at the Methodist Church. All who participated came away winners with prizes and candy. We played several games. Everyone had a great time! Thanks for supporting your local scouts.



### **Cub Scouts at Clyde Lake**

Cub Scouts recently went on a camp-out at Clyde Lake. They had a great time with hiking, fishing, camping, archery, B-B gun practice, crafts, games, and prizes. It was a little windy that night and we learned not to pitch a tent on a hill. Scouting is a year round program and you can join at any time. All Scouts, any age, are meeting every Tuesday night at the Senior Citizens Building downtown at 7:00 pm. Come join the fun!!





### Emergency Farm Loan Applications Being Accepted

Applications for emergency farm loans for losses caused by severe storms, tornados, and flooding are being accepted at the Farm Service Agency (FSA) office located in Anson, Farm Loan Manager Richard G. Young said today.

Eastland, Jones, and Stephens Counties are among several Counties in Texas recently named by the Secretary of Agriculture eligible for loans to cover part of actual production losses resulting from Drought that occurred on January 1, 2008 and continuing. Richard G. Young, said farmers may be eligible for loans of up to 100% of their actual losses or the operating loan needed to continue the agricultural business, whichever is less. For farmers unable to obtain credit from private commercial lenders, the interest rate is 3.75 percent.

"As a general rule, a farmer must have suffered at least a 30 percent loss of production to be eligible for an FSA emergency loan", Richard G. Young, said. Farmers participating in the Federal Crop Insurance program will have to consider proceeds from those programs in determining their loss.

"Applications for loans under this emergency designation will be accepted until June 10, 2009, but farmers should apply as soon as possible. Delays in applying could create backlogs in processing, with possible delays into the new farming season".

FSA is a credit agency of the U.S. Department of Agriculture. It is authorized to provide disaster emergency loans to recognized farmers who work at and rely on farming for a substantial part of their living. Eligibility is extended to individual farmers who meet U.S. citizenship requirements and to farming partnerships, corporations, or cooperatives in which U.S. citizenship requirements are met by individuals holding a majority interest.

The FSA office in Anson is open from 8:00am to 4:30pm, Monday through Friday.

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### **Desdemona News**

By Vonnie Guthery

"Thanksgiving Supper" - Thanksgiving Supper will be held on Saturday, November 8th at the Desdemona Community Center ("Ole" School Building). Turkey and dressing with all the trimmings will be served. Serving time starts at 5:30 p.m. Tickets are Adults - \$8.00 and Children \$4.00. This annual affair began years ago when our Community gave a "Welcome Home" supper at the end of World War II for all the returning soldiers (men and women). This annual event continued each year until May 1969 when our Desdemona School Consolidated with De Leon Schools. A short time later our Community leased the "Ole" school building and turned it into a Community Center. The annual supper started again on the same date, which is the second Saturday of November and will continue for as long as possible. All proceeds from this annual supper goes for much needed repairs on the "Ole" School Building. This is a "Smoke Free" environment.

## Senior Citizens News By Carol Ward

There were 28 people out to enjoy our weekly dinner on the 29th at 11:30. Jud Maxfield gave the blessing for us all. It was good to see Ellen Parker and Evelyn Poindexter. Ellen had been on a trip up North with her sister. I'm sure they viewed many Fall Colors. How brave these ladies to go on a driving trip, but what fun! Evelyn had been ailing and much improved now. We did send Donna Early a plate with Betty Regian, as she has been ill. I do hope she can improve and be back with us soon.

We have been missing Winston Brown and his sister Geraldine Wright. Wi ston has been ailing, but heard from his son Roger, he's improved. Hurry back Win ston, they miss you on game night and Wednesday games. Geraldine had taken a bad fall and injured her back. Hope she gets better soon and can be back with us.

It sure was great to have Emma Jane Larch back with her good food. She had been busy with a friend, who had to leave her home because of the Hurricane at Galveston. Great of her to offer her home in such a time of need. There were several in Gorman who helped friends and relatives because of the storm. Then Emma Jane spent some time in Colorado baby sitting her grand kids. Her daughter and husband went on a grand trip to South Africa.

Daisy Slaton, Betty Regian and I attended the Breakfast in Desdemona on the 1st of November. While there we took in a Garage Sale, also one in Gorman before we left town. We did find some goodies, always. We visited Jo and Virgil Holman also in Desdemona. He is doing great after his stroke. Walking with a cane and going out to their ranch with the hunters. Now if they can just put some weight back on him. Lost quite a few pounds over his ordeal.

I almost forgot to mention what we had for dinner. Spaghetti and garlic bread, stew by Emma Jane, also enchiladas by Beth Shirley. I labored over my spaghetti sauce and turned out well, then I put in too much spaghetti, so was dry. It just took up the sauce, so annoyed with myself. We also enjoyed beans, cornbread salad by Billie Bennett, so delicious!, green beans and potatoes, green salad, mashed potatoes by Ima Brown, especially good made with cream cheese. Also potato salad, lots of potatoes this meal, mixed veg, green bean casserole, cabbage, deviled eggs. Our desserts were Jelly Roll by Wynogene Smith, Cheery Cobbler, Cake, Cheery Fluff - Good by Ann Maxfield. Also Evelyn Poindexter made a good Chocolate Cool Whip Dessert. She treated us to pin wheels made with flour tortillas and cheese, etc. We enjoyed all this meal, plenty of food. Sometimes we are scraping the bowls, to get every last drop. HA!!

Our game night has fallen off in attendance. The last two weeks we only had six folks come out. Some have been sick, also gone on trips. The Junior High plays on that night also. Some of us got to the games. Football will soon be over, hard to believe. Our big Boys must face De Leon this week. I hope it is a good game whoever wins. I did travel to Tolar with family and boys beat them again on their turf. Now to see if we can get by De Leon.

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

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