## The Gorman Progress

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Thc oournament was Februry 25 th thru March 1st. We hat games ahweek. We had 3 teans in this tounawe Nore Sow night

## Third Grade - Girls

 First Place - De LeonSecond Place - Gorman Third Place - Cisco Fourth Grade - Girls First Place - Stephenvill Second Place - Gorman Third Place - Hot Shots First Place - Cisco First Place - Cisco Second Place - Eastland
Third Place - Cross Plains Sixth Grade - Girls First Place - Bees-Step Second Place - Eastland

Third Grade - Boys
Gorman PeeWee Basketball Tournament Results

The Gorman Pee Wee Basketball Commission would like
Thank all those that came and supported the youth this year. I hope dit as much as the kids did
week. We had 35 teams in this tournament. Some nights

Third Place - De Leon First Place - Eastland Second Place - Gorman Third Place - Cisco Fourth Grade - Boys First Place - Eastland Second Place - Gorman Third Place - Cisco Firth Grade - Boy First Place - Eastland Second Place - Cisco Sixth Grade - Boys First Place - Eastland First Place - Eastland Third Place - Gorman
week. It could not happen without you. Thank You
The not happen without you. Thank You. will be two more tournaments in Gorman (March 10 thru March 15 and March 24 thru March 29).
are putting the tournaments on
Thank yournaments on.

Thank you,
Gorman Pe
Ladyhorns Place 2nd
 Wee Basketball Tournament. Pictured from left to right on the back row Yulissa Madera. On the front row from left to right are Vanessa Longoria, Kodie Sparger, Joanna McCreless and Kathryn Woodall.

Ms. Traci M/sith
And
Mr2. and Mrs. Michasl Pazsons
request the honour of your presence
at the marriage of
thsie childusn
Tikki Dianne
and
Michash Andrsue
Saturday, the Iffernth of March
Two thousand sight
at four o clock in the afternoon
Sisst Baptist Church
405 South Seaman
Eastland, Texas
Reception to follou

Council
 as Gorman's official delegate on the regional Council for Texas Midwest Community Network
(TMCN). The alternate delegate is Emmett Lasater.

TMCN provides marketing programs for tourism and eco--
nomic development; networking opportunities for community leaders to learm how to address municipal challenges; and legislative
awareness in monitoring issues that directly affect the communities in this region of the state.

The most recent program sponsored by TMCN is the Texas Midwest Chamber Cooperative
which offers a way for businesses which offers a way for businesses
in the region to access affordable in employer group insurance.

TMCN was founded in 1994 and currently has a membership of 43 communities located in the 25 counties surrounding Abilene and San Angelo. The regional organization provides a net-
work by which community leaders share information and motivation that can be directed to local community development programs and activities.

The organization fun tions on the premise of "communities working together to accom-
plish what one community cannot plish what one community cannot
do alone." In the words of Benjamin Franklin "we can all hang together or we most certainly will hang one by one"
For more information about TMCN check the

Member cities include
Abilene, Albany, Anson, Aspermont, Baird, Ballinger, Breckenridge, Brady, Bronte, Brownwood, Buffalo Gap, Cisco, Clyde, Coleman, Colorado City, Comanche,
Cross Plains, De Leon, Dublin Cross Plains, De Leon, Dublin,
Early, Eastland, Eden, GoldthEariy, Eastand, Eden, Goldth-
waite, Gorman, Hamilton, Hamlin, waite, Gorman, Hamilton, Hamli, Mun-
Haskell, Knox City, Merkel, Munday, Ranger, Rising Stär, Robert Lee, Roscoe, Rotan, San Angelo, Santa Anna, Snyder, Stamford,
Sweetwater, Throcker Sweetwater, Throckmorton, Tye
and Winters.

## Baseball/Softball Signups


day, March 14th at the High School Gym from 6:00 p.m. To 8:00 p.m. Parents please be with your child when they sign up., There will be another signup to be announced later.

## YOUTH IN THE DARK

Wed. evening March 19, 2008 at the City Park This in the 5 th grade and up to 99 years of age. Remember you are as young as you feel. We will be cooking hot dogs again this year so we encourage you to come downtown to the basketball courts around 7:30 and enjoy some food, fun, and fellowship before the hunt begins. We are still
looking for volunters and donations to help looking for volunteers and donations to help make this another event to
remember. If you are interested in helping in any way please contact Ina remember. If you are interested in helping in any way please contact Ina
Smith. A note to all those who will be hunting....bring something to put your eggs in and a flashlight. We do recomend you check every egg as there will be money, candy, gift certificates, free movie rentals and pizza coupons and who knows what else. There will also be a container there to deposit any empty eggs you do not wish to keep.

> Strawn 3rd Saturday Jamboree March 15th - 6:00 p.m. Concessions Open At 5:30 p.m. Civic Center-301 E. Housley St. Everyone is invited to come and hear a good lineup Everyone is
of Country, Gospel and Bluegrass Music. COME ON OUT - You'll Be Glad You Did. Alcohol and Smoke OUT - You'll Be Glad You Did. Alcohol and Smoke
Free Environment. FREE ADMISSION - EVERY ONE WELCOME. For Information Call Finis Butler at 254-672-5622 or 672-5816

Gorman Lady Panthers Named To

How the Youth of Gorman ISD Noted
MARCH 13, 2008

## County Burn Ban Dropped After Rains

COUNTY OF EASTLAND
ORDER REMOVING OUTDOOR BURNING BAN
ben Cown has dermined ho danger or wid
IT IS HEREBY ORDERED by the Commissioners Court of Eastland County that the outdoor burn-
precipitition; ing ban is immediately removed in the unincorporated area of the county with the stipulation and request that
anyone intending to plan and execute any type of outside burning, please contact their nearest fire department anyone intending to plan and execute any type of outside burning, please contact their nearest fire department
and notify them of the time and location of the outside burning activity, and use extreme caution. and notify them of the time and location of the outside burning activity, and use extreme caution ADOPTED this 10 day of March, 2008

Eastland County Judge
Attest:
(s) Cathy Jentho
Panther Track Looking Good
is heavy in the relay events winning either 1st or 2nd in all three meets this season thus far. The Spring Relay consisting of Megan Lewis, Nicole Cogburn, Tecia Jones and Audrey Johnston ran a 54:00 flat this past week in Cisco. They won both the Santo Relays and Gorman's meet as well. The 800 relay looks to be strong event as well with the same four girls handling the baton. The Lady Panthers this past week brought home the Gold at Cisco in the Mile Reated the loaded 2-A field. Brandi Carlon also took first in the 800 meter run and senior Mary Powell defeated the loaded 1-A rete. Brun. The Lady Panthers are expecting a strong year as well from Kimie Seaton in the Discus. Carlton and Johnston should be strong in the jumping events at the District Meet in April. The Boys team after qualifying all three relays this past year at the District Meet look very strong. another Silver in the 800 relay loosing to Cisco again in the last 5 meters of the race. They had a time of $1: 34.3$ which is very good this early in the season. The 1600 relay finished 1 st at the Gorman meet the week before running a 3:33.87. They came back this past week in Cisco finishing 2nd with a time of 3:33.0 flat. The three relays consist of seniors Zack Fox and Orlando Valenzuela. The two other legs are Juniors Matt Underwood could be an outstanding year for the boys if they can stay healthy and they catch a break or two.
be an outstanding year for the boys if they can stay healthy and they catch a break or two.
The Boys and Girls will be travelling to Cross Plains this week and May the following
could only participate in the election by showving their hopefuls. Students that was passed out to them at an earlier date. With a $33 \%$ turnout in the J . High and High School population, the results were as follows:
Huckabee $-99 \%$. McCain $-7 \sigma_{0}$. Obama- $20 \%$ - Clinton $-2 \%$ - Paul $-0 \%$
After the election, senior students broke down the forclusion that if you want a say in your future, you must have

EASTER TREASURE HUNT
This. years hunt will be on Sat. March 22 at $2: 00$ at the city park. IN
CASE OF RAIN OR SNOW the hunt will be postponed yntil CASE OF RAIN OR SNOW the hunt will be postponed until another time. Mrs Bunny will be in town to visit with everyone. If it does hap-
pen to rain or snow, Mrs. Bunny will be at City Gro. from 1:00-2:00 for anyone who wants to drop by and have their picture made. We are still in need of donations to make this the best treasure hunt ever. If you would Gro. or Bake a donation you may leave it at Smith's Service Station, City
Remember to bring you a big sack to put all your treasures in.
Age groups: 6 months( or child must be able to sit alone) tol year Age groups: 6 months (or child must be able to sit alone) tol year ol
$2-3$ years old, 4 -kindergarten, $1 \mathrm{st}-2$ nd grade and 3rd-4th grade. See you at the Treasure Hunt

Eastland County Courthouse
Elevator To Be Out of Service
Eastland County Courthouse elevator replacement next Tuesday, March
11. Expect interuption of ele after which time the Courthouse will have a new system that should be in operation for many years. If someone needs assistance from an upper
floor and the elevator is out of service, contact the Justice Court admisnitration office by the east ramp in the basement for help. This notice is
only for the main Courthouse elcvator; the elevator in the Annex is not

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 express how much we were loved. May God Bless Each of Yout.
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MOODY B. KOONCE

 Koonce, Burail was in Garden of Memories Cemecery in Desdemona



 had ived in the Destemona and De Leon area al or his hire. He
Bapisit and was amember of St. Toe Bappisis Church in De Leon. He is survivect by one son, Rickey Koonce and wife Debbie of Morgan Mill daygherini-lav, Tenia Koonce of De Leon; 3 grand-
 He was preceded by his wife, Hazel Riggs Koonce; 6 brothers,
Benjamin Koonce, Zillie Koonce, Robert Koonce, Jim Koonce, Clyde oonce and W. D. Koonce: 3 sisters, Willie Brazil, Era Dollie Riley and Vera Brown.

Pallbearers were Brad Koonce, Scotty Koonce, Steven Riggs, Mave Riggs, Marvin McK Honorary Pallbearers were Ted Nowlin, Sid Miller, Bob


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hunting partial minerals $\&$ ryalities $\$ 2,025,000$ rwove
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-328 A

- 328 A, High Fenced Game Ranch,
tanks $\$ 3,350$ Per Acre (rRo11
$250 \pm$ A. on Copperas Creek
 cultivation, costal, native pasture $\$ 2,500$ per acre anteril
$236 \pm \mathrm{A}$, wells $\&$ tanks, rolling terrain, minerals availab

tank, minerals negotiable $\$ 397,500$ (e8o1]
-81 A , Pecan Orchard, approx. 900 improved variety trees, underground drip irrigation, 9 wells $\$ 405,000$ (remo1]
$.52 \mathrm{~A}, 4-3$ Brick Home, carport, wells \& tanks, corrals, barn $52 \mathrm{~A}, 43$ Brick Home, carport, well
$\$ 300,000$ REDUCED $\$ 239,500$ (LPou)
- $30 \mathrm{~A}, 3-21 / 2 \mathrm{Custom}$ Built Home, garage, porch, RV shed \&
shop, barn, wells \& tanks, Hwy 16 frontage $\$ 450,000$ [0801]
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water well \& tanks $\$ 210,000$ (ibo3) - UNDER CONTRACI - 24.5 A, on Flat Creek, with water well, native pa
to highway $\$ 98,000$ (MPo11- UNDER CONTRACT

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available, hunting $\$ 75,000$ (wno1)
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14士A, 3 -2 Brick Home, fireplace, fenced yards, garages \&
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-8.6 A, $3-2$. Frame Home, wa
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It
$7 \pm$ A, Metal Building on slab, large oak trees, pecan orchard
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pecan trees, wells \& tanks $\$ 120,000$ (wko1]
3-21/2 Custom Brick Home, approx. 1.4 acre, 3 car garage,
rural water, paved drive, storage building $\$ 297,500$ (ovo.1)
rural water, paved drive, storage bor, workshop, wells, 2 large
-3-2 Double Wide, screened porch
lots and older frame home $\$ 135,000$ [nooz)

sprinkler, C H/A, storage bldgs. $\$ 130,000$ IBCoz]

- $3-2$ Frame Home, 2.5 Acres. wood burningstove, carport, rur
water, well, shop $\$ 137,500$ REDUCED $\$ 99,900$ icco3]
water, well, shop $\$ 137,50$ REDUCED $\$ 99$, fireplace, met
- $3-2$ Brick Home, carport, large shaded lot,
-0of, storage building $\$ 105,000$ REDUCED $\$ 90,000$ (wco1]
$11 / 2$ Frame Home, garage, storage building $\$ 75,000$ [rso1]
Doublewide, 2 /car carport, on $3+$ lots $\$ 70,000$ [(kool)
See Pictures at: www.GilderRealty.com

Riley Gardner Memorial Represented By: JONELL TORREZ - 254-734-2535


## Charlotte Parker

Charlotte Parker, age 87 of De Leon passed away Wednesday, March 5, 2008 in a Comanche Nursing Home. Services were held Sunday, March 9th at 2 p.m. at Nowlin Funeral Home Chapel with Kenneth
Wilson officating. Music by LaRessie Wilkerson and Vicki Robinett. Burial was in Victor Cemetery.
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She was a Beautician; Director of De Leon Senior Citizens
Center (retired); homemaker; had lived in De Leon since 1990; and
member of Round Grove Baptist Church.

Survivors include three sons, Phillip Parker, Ronald Parker and
Michael Parker all of De Leon: three sisters , Yerell
both of Comanche and Evelyn Abel of Ial NM; NM, Chris-
Michelle Keen and Kasey Parker and 2 great-grandchildren. Pallbearers were Parker Ray George, Mark S
own, Jimmy Bailey, and Jimmy Dale Johnson.


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Pig Tales From Hogtown


 demona and even more surprised that they refer to the town as 'Hogtown'.

The grand opening of Desdemona's first ever-public library was a success! We are now open Mon day through Thursday from 2:00 until 5:00 and on Tuesday evenings from 6:00 until 9:00. We have a whole bunch of books - come check us out

For all of you crafters - our 2nd annual Craft Show will be held at the Desdemona Activity Center (DAC) on April 18th and 19th. We had a great time last year and hope to have even more fun this time. We always have a great time at the DAC whether it's bluegrass, craft show, garage sale or breakfast! Come join us! Booths are $\$ 30.00$ and we have a concession stand. Call me for more information - $254-758-2420$.
April's 'Breakfast at the DAC' will be held, as always, on the first Saturday, which is April 5th Come join us from 7:00 A.M. until 10:00 A.M
We have been blessed with moisture this past week but remember with the winds we have, it only takes a few days to dry out. Please remember the burn bans in the area. SOME have been lifted temporarily
but you MUST check before you burn. Welders, please have a spotter and some water with you on the job. but you MUST check before you burn. Welders, please have a spotter and some water with you on the job.
Folks just north of town lost 75 bales of hay last week because of someone welding. The welder stated that he had the fire almost out when the wind changed and blew it out of control. Well, that's what the wind does around here! Please pay attention. The volunteer fire departments around do a great job, but they are volunteers and have to come from their homes or jobs when called and the fires get a head start.


Local Talent Is Winner In Quilt Show
Pictured above is Chris-
tine Hammontree of Gorman with tine Hammontree of Gorman with her prize winning quilt from the
popular Cotton Pickin Quilt Show which is held each year in Munday, Texas. She won first place
for the "Viewers Choice Award" in the contest. The large quilt was completely embroidered by Chris tine. She is well known in the Ar-
cher City area as well as Gorman cher City area as well as Gorman
for her exquisite embroidery and hand crafted items. She uses these talents in the Dorcas Class of the Gorman Church of Christ as well as in shows in the Archer City area where she lived before coming to Gorman to be near her son and
daughter in law, Bob and Brenda daughter in law, Bob and Brenda
Hammontree. Christine also requilt rack along with her blue ribbon in honor of her first place hon-

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## CRIME STOPPERS

 PAYS
## CRIMES OF THE MONTH:

 From the City of Gorman: "Two ARSON cases"On 4/22/07 at 5:15 a.m. a vacant house was set on fire - total loss
On 11/10/07 at 2:30 a.m. a vacant house was set on fire - total loss
CRIME STOPPERS OF EASTLAND COUNTY IS OFFERING A REWARD UP TO $\mathbf{\$ 1 , 0 0 0}$ FOR INFORMATION LEADING TO THE ARREST AND CONVICTION OF PERSON/PERSONS COMMITTING THESE CRIMES. ALL CALLERS WILL REMAIN ANONYMOUS. CALL 1-800-300-3TIP.

WE SEE YOU!!!


UP TO $\$ 10,000$ FINE FOR ILLEGAL DUMPING REPORT ILLEGAL DUMPING TO EASTLAND COUNTY CRIME STOPPERS 1-800-300-3TIP

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Will Remain
Anonymous!

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## Maxfield Elementary Competes in UIL District Competition

## Maxfield Elementary Six Graders

 Competed In UILInstricts competing were DeLeon, Ranger, Santo, Tolar, and Gorman.
Gorman students in grades $2-5$ placing include:
Art 4th grade-2nd place Kourtney Seaton -5th place tie Garrett Emmons and Yulissa Madera Team Art- 2nd place-Kourtney Seaton, Garret Emmons and Yulissa Madera
Coached by: Mrs. Bussell Creative Writing-2nd place Jessica Ramirez
Coached by: Mrs. Vaughn
Dictionary 5th grade - Team 3rd place Jacquelyn Rainey, Adriana Brown, and Maty West Coached by: Ms. Keith Russell Morrison and Jacquelynn Rainey
Coached by: Ms. Johnson
Number Sense 4th grade - 4th place tie Gar
mons, Grant Emmons, and Flavio Herrera
mons, Grant Emmons, and Flavio Herrera
Coached by: Mrs. Matteson
Oral Reading 3rd grade - 6 th place Carrissa Cole
Coached by: Mrs. Warren
Oral Reading 5th grade - 2nd place Lacey Wilso
Coached by: Ms. Keith
Reädy Writing 3rd grade - 1st place Kayce Dodd
Coached by: Mrs. Caraway
Ready Writing 4th grade - 1st place Garret Emmons - 6 th place Arlette Giles
Reädy Writing 5th grade - 3rd place Jarimma Silva
Coached by: Ms. Keith
Social Studies 5th grade - 4th place Lauren Spivey
ipelling 3rd grade - - ached by: Ms. Kirk
Kayce Dodd, and Talee Jones
Coached by: Mrs. Caraway
Spelling 4th grade - 1st place Kourtney Seaton - 3rd place Garret Emmons - 4th place- Yulissa Mader - Team Ist place Kourtney Seaton, Garret Emmons, and Yulissa Madera

Coached by: Mrs. Matteson
Spelling 5th grade - 2nd place Jacquelynn Rainey - 3rd place Lauren Spivey - Team 1st place Jacquelynn Coached by: Ms. Keith
Storytelling 3rd grade- 4th place Kayce Dodd - 6th place Carrissa Cole
We are very appreciative of all the hard work theses students did in preparing for this once a year event. To the parents who helped the students study, the parents who volunteered to work the long hours in the concession stand, and the ones who supported the children with words of encouragement we thank you so
very much. The students were honored with an awards assembly at the first of the new year. We are looking very much. The students were honored with an awards assembly at the first of the new year. We are looking
forward to our next event and hope each child will strive to bring home a medal, ribbon, or plaque next year.


lated with 7 th and 8 th grade.
Art 6th grade - 6 th grade Fabian Carcia - 3rd place team-Fabian Garcia, Kinsey Johnston, Zachary Carton, Connie Gonzalez and Andy Madera
Calculator Applications grade 6 th - 1st place Mykisha Hampton, 2nd place Connie Gonzalez, 3rd place Melissa Ramirez and as a team, they received 1st place
Dictionary Skills 6th grade - 1st place Zachary Carlton, 3rd place Melissa Ramirez, 6th place Mykisha Hampton and as a team, they received 1st place.
Listening Sixth grade- 5 th place Skye Lewis
Maps, Graphs, and Charts 6 th grade
Dalton Murphy, and Haven Gibbs
Music Memory 6th grade - 6 th place Alaina Swanner
Number Sense 6th grade-4th place Melissa Ramirez, 5th place Zachary Carlton, As a team 3rd place Melissa Ramirez, Zachary Carlton, and Yari Montelongo
Oral Reading 6th grade- 2nd place Kinsey Johnston, 6th place Melissa Ramirez
Coached by: Ms. Keith
Social Studies 6th grade - 1st place Melissa Ramirez, 2nd place team of Melissa Ramirez, Alaina Swanner, and Skye Lewis
Coached by: Ms. Kirk
Spelling 6th grade - 2nd place Zachary Carlton, 3rd place Kinsey Johnston, 5th place Melissa Ramirez, and Ist place Team of Zachary Carlton, Kinsey Johnston, and Melissa Ramirez Coached by: Ms. Keith

Third Grade Class Attends Safety City in Abilene


On February 25 th, the third grade classes of Mrs. Caraway and Mrs. Warren went to Safety City in Abilene, Texas. This trip is one of the highlights of third grade. To prepare for this trip, the classes spent
several weeks preparing by learning about fire safety, traffic laws, bicycle safety and pedestrian safety. several weeks preparing by learning about fire safety, traffic laws, bicycle safety and pedestrian safery.
Although it was windy, the temperature was perfect for the trip. The students enjoyed the presen tions and were able to practice what they had learned by taking a bike ride, practicing their pedestrian skills, observe in the firehouse, and of course, their favorite - driving their cars on the realistic streets of Safety
We would also like to thank the volunteers who took the trip with us. Without you, we could not have gone. Thank you to Noah and Miriam Landa, Enrique and Josephina Sanchez, Lisa Keeping, Ricardo and Maribel Olvera, Andrea Dodd, Joy Campbell, Jenifer Cole, Ismael Herrera, Oscar Hencra, Jack Rainey, Blanca Mata,
also to Mrs. Casey for filling in for Mrs. Caraway who was unable to attend.


## Gorman City Minutes

 mobil home permitting. Also to initiate an ordinance that would require permitting for on propertyimprovements
such as fencing,

There being no further
business for discussion, Cliffa made the motion to adjourn with a second from Joe. Motion carried.
Time was $6: 40 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$.
mission met on the above date.
Those present were Mayor Robert Ervin, Commissioners Nathan Files, Cliffa Vaughn, and Joc Also present was Tracy Gortt. Cliffa led the opening
er followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and the Texas Pledge. Mayor Ervin called the
meeting to order @ $5: 31$ Joe made the motion approve the minutes with the addition of mentioning the dismissal of Than Shoemaker as police officer. This dismissal was a decision made according to stipulations of his probation period. Cliffa m
a second. Motion carried 3-0.

Nathan made the motion to approve the bills for payment. Joe made a second. Motion carried
$3-0$.
itizens in put.
Nathan made the motion to raise the transfer fee for transfer-
ring water from $\$ 10.00$ to $\$ 25.00$, ring water from $\$ 10.00$ to $\$ 25.00$,
and in addition to the deposit required on all meter accounts a $\$ 25.00$ connect fee. Joe made
second. Motion carried 3-0.

Cliffa made the motion to contribute to the annual Easter
Treasure Hunts. Nathan made a Treasure Hunts. Nathan made
second. Motion carried 3-0.

Joe made the motion to
early voting hours to the add the early voting hours to the
order of election in the minutes of the February 7 meeting. Cliffa made a second. Motion carried
$3-0$.

The Commission talked and interviewed Tracy Gortt. He in both Water and Sewer. Cliffa made the motion to hire Mr. Gortt @ $\$ 13.11$ per hour with a start date of March 10, 2008. Joe made a
second to the motion. Motion carsecond to the motion. Motion car-
ried 3-0. Mr. Gortt will be hired ried 3-0. Mr. Gortt will be hired
with the standard ninety (90) day probation period. If at the end of this period the Commission feels
he meets the work needs of the city he will be a permanent employee and placed on the city insurance
plan. If he does not meet the satisplan. If he does not meet the satisfaction of the commission his em-
ployment will not be continued.

## Happenings At FBC!!

Another magnificent day in the House of the Lord -Thank you Jesus!

Mark you calendars:
March 23rd is Easter Sunday - 11AM Worship Service - don't miss "The Messengers" in a mini concert debuting their new songs written and composed by Tommy Clark

Liz Caraway's Children's Sermon: Liz loves M\&M's. Some people think that the many colors taste different so she blindfolded Joanna Bates to demonstrate that you cannot taste the difference. Once we accept Jesus we all are like M\&M's - different on the outside, but the same on the inside. We are the same to God. Treat others as God treats us - Love one another!

Bro. Barry's sermon was "As the World Turns"
James 1:19.
Be quick and swift to HEAR! Things that will Hinder Hearing:
I. IGNORANCE

1. I Don't Know
2. I don't Know How to Know
II. DISOBEDIENCE
3. I Don't Care
4. Somewhat Religious will NOT cut it
III.UNBELIEF
5. I Don't Believe
6. I am Good Enough, OK!
7. I'm Not So Bad of a Sinner.
IV. PROCRASTINATION
8. I don't Have Time
9. Isaiah 55:6 - "Seek ye the Lord while He may be found, call ye upon Him while He is near."

Sin will take you further than you want to go
Sin will cost you longer than you want to stay
Our Worship begins at 11:00AM on Sunday mornings - please join us!

Also, our Worship Service is being broadcast on the radio -88.7 FM

God Bless and Keep You. See you next Sunday.

## Can You Answer These Questions?

2. Do you know why we celebrate Easter Sunday?
3. Do you know why God would leave a perfectly good heaven to suffer a
4. Do you know the effects His actions have on you and your loved ones? 4. Do you know what the essential response is from mankind to God for this sacrifice?
Firstfruits Christian Fellowship (FCF) wants to help you explore the answers to these questions by inviting you to join any 1 of our 7 Life Groups that meet throughout the week.
"Recovery Meeting" Wed. 7pm, FCF Cisco Campus, 721 Conrad Hilton -learn to access power \& truth to overcome addictions through a relationship with Jesus Christ
-learn how to replace lies \& deceptions that lead to self destructive behaviors with the wonderful truth of our Eternal God.
for more info call Clay @ 254-647-1064
"Balcony $10: 25$ " 20 's \& 30 's Singles \& Couples, Wed. $6: 30$ pm, FCF Gorman Campus, 325 Lexington Balcony people encourage $\&$ cheer you on in your walk with Jesuss. ! ehbrew 10:25 says, Let us not give
up meeting together as some are in the habit of doing, but encourage one another all the more as you
see the Day approaching.
focuses on various topics such as; marriage, relatio
For more info call Rusty or Kelli @ $806-787-8315$
"Women's Group" Tuesday or Thursday (Call ahead) @ 4pm, FCF Gorman Campus, 325 Lexington
-Women of all ages are welcomed to visit this group on a iourney to study the names of God. During Women of all ages are welcomed to visit this group on a journey to study the names of God. During

For more info call Ellen @ 254-734-2805, Joy @ 254-734-2121, or Sharon @ 254-592-2411
"Men's Group" Thurssay $6 \mathrm{pm}, 520 \mathrm{~W}$. McCall St., Gorman Texas
-Men of all ages are welcome to visit this group in Bible Study, Prayer \& Sharing on how
For more info call Bill @ 254-734-2805, Joe @ $\begin{gathered}\text { G54-842-126 will met or Bennie 254-734-5964 }\end{gathered}$
"Youth Group Meeting" Sunday 1pm, FCF Gorman Campus, 325 Lexington
-7 th -12 th Graders are welcomed to join this exciting youth ministry in Worship and Bible 7 th -12 th Graders are welcomed to join this exciting youth ministry in Worship and Bible Study Lunch is provided and transportation is available
Contact Dion Fink @ 254-433-2326 or dionfink@yaho
"Family Integrated Ministry" Sunday 12:45pm, FCF Gorman Campus, 325 Lexington This small group focuses on the equipping for household ministry. They serve lunch with each meeting and encourage everyone in their relationship with Jesus and have family focused For more info call David or Nichola @ 254-639-2149
"Finding Your Purpose" Sunday 5pm, FCF Cisco Campus, Vineyard Cafe, 721 Conrad Hilton -Worship, Bible Study, Fellowship and Finding your purpose.
For more info call Teresa @ 325-280-9133 or tipevey@msn.com

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Join us on your journey to learn more about God's plan for your life!
Firstfruits Christian Fellowshíp
325 Lexington, Gorman Texas (Corner of Crescent \& Lexington)
Coffee \& Pastries @ 10:00am Coffee \& Pastries @ 10:00am
Worship Service @ 10:30am

## Holy Week Happenings At Gorman United Methodist Church

## Holy Week is the week before Easter.

The time is fast approaching to commemorate Jesus entrance into Jerusalem, which is called Palm Sunday. On Monday and Tuesday of Holy Week, we remember Jesus' teaching in the Temple. On Wednesday Jesus rested at Bethany (about two miles from Jerusalem). On Thursday, Jesus returned to Jerusalem to have
fellowship, wash the feet of the disciples, and shared the Last Supper with his disciples. In the sharing of the fellowship, wash the feet of the disciples, and shared the Last Supper with his disciples. in the sharing of the denies Jesus through his lies; as well as through his plotting with the authorities to turn Jesus over for the bag of silver. Good Friday is the day we commemorate Jesus Christ crucifixion. Holy Saturday is the day Jesus Christ lay in the tomb-the humanity of Jesus is dead. On Easter Sunday, the divinity of Christ rises from the grave in final victory over death.

Easter tells something new about God-God is doing something new that does not just gently touch the heart of humanity-God has conquered death and quickened the flesh. He overcame what we could not. God
conquered the dominion where we experience what we are (in essence) as children of the earth, who die; only conquered the dominion where we experience what we are (in essence) as children of the earth, wh
to adopt us as heirs with Christ and therefore, sisters and brothers of Christ and children of God.
"If I am crucified with Christ, it is not I that live, but Christ that lives within me. And the life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me" (Galatians 2: 19b-20)

First United Methodist of Gorman invites you to joins us for Holy Week Services. Palm Sunday
will be Sunday March 16 th @ 11 A M. in our sanctuary On Mandy Thursdar, @ PM . Service will be Sunday March 16th @ 11 A.M. in our sanctuary. On Maundy Thursday, @ 7 P.M., join us to commemorate the Last Supper and hear the story of denial and betrayal. On Good Friday, @ 7 P.M., come hear
the reading of the Crucifixion of Christ - "The Last Seven Words of Christ"-for how can we celebrate Easter Sunday's Resurrection, without the Crucifixion. On Easter Morming, there will be a sunrise service@ 7:30 and our regular 11:00 service.
These services are for one and all- denomination does not matter-this is a Christian's time of remembrance of what Jesus Christ did for one and all! If you are a Christian, please do not deny what Christ did for you by staying away. If you are not a Christian, perhaps it is time to hear the truth of the gospels of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior; He died for the sins and transgressions of all humanity-this includes YOU! That's why we call Friday of Holy week "Good Friday".

YOU ARE INVITED TO JOIN US-PLEASE COME!!!!
Rev. Sharon Bell

## MAXFIELD ELEMENTARY HONOR ROLL

## A Honor Roll

JENNIFER CRUZ LAUREN UNDERWOOD LUKE WHITSELL BRANDON HOGAN RHETT WEST DANIELLA SEGUR JOHN WARREN

Second Grade
TAYLOR EMMONS
JACOB ERVIN
KADE SPARGER
JESSICA RAMIREZ

Third Grade
KAYCE DODD
IZAEL HERRERA CARISSA COLE MAYRA RAMIREZ BRADI CAMPBELL SYDNEY CASEY TALEE JONES AUDRI SEGURA
RICARDO OLVERA

Fourth Grade
GRANT EMMONS KOURTNEY SEATON RYLAN LAMINACK
GARET VAUGHN

Fift Grade
LAUREN SPIVEY LACEY WILSON

Sixth Grade
CONNIE GONZALEZ
MELISSA RAMIREZ ZACHARY CARLTON DALTON MURPHY MYKISHA HAMPTON KINSEY JOHNSTON

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JJ. PRADO
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CAMERON HULL
JENNIFER VALDEZ
MRIANA LANDA
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EMELY LARA
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TRENT FENLEY
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CALVIN MARTIN
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HALEY WRIGHT
KENDLE COAN
KATALINA LANDA
ALEX RAINEY
ISMAEL HERRERA DANIEL KEEPING VANESSA VALDEZ
DYLAN WALTON DYLAN WALTON MAYRA GUTIERREZ MAYRA GUUIIERREZ SAM RAINEY
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MATY WEST
ADRIANA BROWN
CHLOE COLE CHEY GIBBS DANIEL HERRERA MADISON WARREN COSETTE KEEPIN
HOLLY RAINEY

HAVEN JOHNSON
COURTNEY BYRD
ANDY MADERA
JESSICA LEDFORD
RANDALL MILEY

## Gorman Jr. \& High School Honor Roll

Seventh Grade
A - Luis Limon and Austin Marlow; A-B - Jasmeen DelaTorre, Drew Flanary, Sergio Garcia, Skyler Henderson, Virdi Maldona, Angelena Perez, B. J. Ramirez, Robert Shawyer, Mario Silva, Jaime Tavarez, Rachel Eighth Grade
A - Chelsea Griffin, Erica Madera, McKenzie Osborne, and A. J. Vaughn; A-B - Jonathon Fenley, Matt Foxi; Maria Garcia, Carlie Jackson, Karla Lara, Rebekah Powell, Cortney Shirley, Katey Thackerson, Stetson Thompson, J. C. Whitten and Trevor Williams.
Ninth Grade
A - Jaylon Miley; A-B - Brice Campbell, Jaime Johnston, Maria Raygoza, Stephanie Risueno and Keifer Wilson.
Tenth Grad
A - Chance Bryant and Eric Ryon; A-B - Sean Bates, Ben Burgess, Kathryn Fritts, Brittany Henderson, Tyler
Tent Johnson, Erica Limon, Kimberly Seaton and Brenda Valasquez.
Eleventh Grade
A - Audrey Johnston and Valerie Longoria; A-B - Nathan Flanary, Marsela Gonzales, Lindsey Laminack, Emily Lewis, Jordan Perry, Martin Ramirez, Matt Underwood and Veronica Walton.
Twelfth Grade Twelfth Grade
A - Ashley Burkeen, Brandy Carlton, Nicole Cogburn, Zack Fox, Carlos Gutierrez, Aaron Keith, Jimmie
Murphy, Mary Powell, Daniel Shirley and Trey Underwood, A-B Murphy, Mary Powell, Daniel Shirley and Trey Underwood; A-B - Michaela Burns, Corey Clark, Ester Crizz,
Yhdira Garcia, Reba Granado, Brandon Greer, Jose Guzman, Seth Johnson, Tecia Jones, Megan Lewis, Carlos Palacios, Tony Perez, Sunny Stalker and Nancy Velasquez.

## Desdemona News <br> By Vonnie Guthery

Senior Citizens News

Ladies Monthly Social was held on Monday at the Comm y Center School Building. Twenty ladies attended this morming eve sext Ladies Social will be held on Monday morning, April 14 at the and same time. Visitors are welcome to attend. Hostess re Betty Duke and Gail Clayton.
Rudolph and Betty Duke visited the past weekend in Whitney
with their daughter, John and Ronda James and daughter, Emily their daughter, John and Ronda James and daughter, Emily.
Roy Lemaster, 85 of De Leon passed away and burial Roy Lemaster, 85 of De Leon passed away and burial was in
the Desdemona Cemetery. Roy was born in Desdemona to Scott and
Cora Lemaster. Survivors include a son. Fred Lightfoot Cora Lemaster. Survivors include a son, Fred Lightfoot of Kempner;
step-daughter, Sherron Pistole of Lake Jackson; two sisters, Pauline Lee of Eastland and Grace Cummins of Waco; a special friend, Avie Taylor of De Leon. Preceded in death by his parents; wife, Wanda Lemaster sister, Iris Newsome; two brothers, Scotty and James Lemaster. The
Lemaster Family are former residents of Desdemona where all of their Lemaster Family are former residents of Desdemona where alr of their
six children attended school. Pauline gradauted with the Class of 1932; Roy with Class of 1941 and Grace with the Class of 1943. Pauline an
Grace were unable to attend the services due to health problems. Ou sincere sympathy goes out to this family.

Charlotte (Joiner) Parker of De Leon passed away and burial was on Sunday in the Victor Cemetery. Survivors include three sons,
Phil, Ronnie and Mike Parker all of De Leon; three sisters, Vernel Phil, Ronnie and Mike Parker all of De Leon; three sisters, Vernel Miears and Cristell Scott both of Comanche and Evelyn Abel of Jal, NM
Preceded in death by her parents, Ramon and Estelle (Sanders) Joine Preceded in death by her parents, Ramon and Estelle (Sanders) Joine
and husband, Arden Parker. The Joiner Family are former residents of and husband, Arden Parker. The Joiner Family are former residents of
Desdemona where all their children attended school. Charlotte graduated with the Class of 1938; Vernell with the Class of 1940; Evelyn with
Class of 1943; Cristell with Class of 1949 . Our sincere sympathy goes Class of 1943; Cristell with Class of 1949. Our sincere sympathy goes out to this family.

Moody Koonce of Desdemona passed away and burial was on Wednesday in the Desdemona Cemetery. Survivors include one son
Ricky Koonce and wife of Morgan Mill, daughter-in-law, Tenia Koonce Ricky Koonce and wife of Morgan Mill; daughter-in-law, Tenia Koonce
of Desdemona; three granddaughters, Christal, Courtney and Chandra of Desdemona; three granddaughters, Christal, Courtney and Chandra
all of Desdemona. Moody attended school in Desdemona. A complete obitruary is in the paper. Our sincere sympathy goes out to this family. Please contact this reporter with your weekly news. Your help appreciated.

## Super Notes

By David K. Perry - dperry@gorman.escl 14.net - www.gorman.esc 14.net - $734-3171$
Nicole Cogburn leaves Thursday for the Girl's State Power-lift competition in Levelland, Texas. We Nicole Cogburn eaves Thursday for the Girl' s State Power-lift competition in Levelland, Texas.
wish her the best and our prayers will be with her. She is a great competitor and has worked very hard th year at everything she's done. Good luck Nicole!

Our relay teams got in at the last minute in the Cisco Track Meet last Saturday when they had a ancellation. Coach Talbert is trying to get them as much competitive practice as possible and that has bee extremely difficult considering all of the things in which our athletes compete. I hate to brag on them so early
in the season, but they did extremely well against those big schools, the girl's even won the mile relay. The in the season, but they did extremely well against those big schooss, the girl s even won the mile relay. The
boys did very well too. They came in a close second right behind the Cisco in a near photo finish. If they continue to improve like they should, they will be very competitive and there's no telling how far they can go ot bad for a class-A school.

The girls softball team won again against Ranger $8-5$ at Friday's make-up. The girl's continue to
The baseball team keeps getting rained out. Hopefully they will get their rained out game made up his week. The boys are looking strong and we know how to win. I expect the best out of them this seaso They are certain

Our regular scheduled board meeting was Monday night. All members were present except for M Seaton. Mrs. Hampton reported that our TAKS testing went well and the students appeared to be doing wel She also talked about upcoming tests. The principals both reported that their campuses were doing well but
usual the spring schedule was extremely full of activity. Also reported was our enrollment which sets at 37 right now with four new students expected this week. Our school continues to hold our increased enrollment and hopefully will increase because of all the good things going on here at Gorman ISD. During the superin tendent's report he discussed the status of the building project and that bids would be opened in the auditorium
on March 27,2007 at $2: 00 \mathrm{pm}$. All action items on the agenda passed which mainly dealt with required item on March 27,2007 at $2: 00 \mathrm{pm}$. All action items on the agenda passed which mainly dealt with required item:
that had to do with the building project and a TASB policy update. The final item on the agenda was person. that had to do with the building project and a TASB policy update. The final item on the agenda was person
nel. Contracts were extended one year for all term and probationary teachers and the list of personnel submit ted by the EastEnd Special Education Cooperative for contract extensions were approved also. All votes wer unanimous except for the coop a
Beth Underwood voting against
I thought were going to dodge the bullet one more year to make it three years in a row that we did no have to bear the expense of a school board election, but we had a last minute candidate sign up Monday so we
will have an election this year on May 10, 2008. Our candidates up for re-election are Jeff Seaton and Larry Thompson. Mr. Seaton will have served six years at the end of this term and Mr. Thompson will have servec
three years. Both trustees have children enrolled at GISD. Mr. Seaton lists his employment as self-employed Mr. Thompson lists his occupation as a pipeliner. Our third candidate is Wesley Spivey. Mr. Spivey has two grandchildren enrolled at GISD and lists his employment as retred. The
at this time, but I believe it will be approximately $\$ 2,000.00$. Since the city is not going to have to have a election this year, early voting will be at the administration office beginning April 28 th through May 6 th.
Spring sports are in full swing. We have something going almost every night during the week anc Spring spors are in full swing. We have something going almost every night during the week an
some Saturdays. Don't miss an opportunity to see our young people win and your opportunity to cheer ther on to victory. We have great kids here at Gorman and they deserve your support

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

This week at our weekly lunch we only had 20 people. Where were you all? The week before 35 were in attendance. That is the kid of numbers we like to see. We met on the 5th of March at $11: 30$ to enjoy good eats and fellowship. Very good to have the Shirley's back with us. Bro. Frank gave the blessing as only he can do. Beth made her most delicious coconut cake

We had a most delicious dinner with Brisket, sausage, potatoes, sweet potatoes, broccoli casserole, beans, macaroni and cheese, corn on the cob, sauerkraut and pea salad (very good) and Jello, Cakes, Pies, Plus Corn and French Bread. Wynogene
Smith brought us some very good egg custard pies, UM! Smith brought us some very good egg custard pies, UM!!
Smith, Ruthie Porter, Annie Fay Foster, Roy John sang to all at one time. They were Ora Lee Lawrence, Wynogene We sent cards to Russell Cordell for the loss of his Mother Anna Rush. Also to Annie Fay Foster to feel better. Hear he is improved and hope she can return and be with us soon
all this is解
had my Grandson Tyson Swanner mow my weeds, sure does look better. Now if I can work up the courage to tackle the flower beds. Just don't have the get up and go I used to

We had to cancel game night on the 6th due to the frozen weather. Also severla of my Grandsons baseball games were rescheduled. I missed going to most of the them. Maybe when the weather settles down I'll make the games again.

One thing I must mention and so happy for my Granddaughter Alania Swanner! She tried out and made Cheerleader or the 7th grade!. She has wanted to be one like her sister Kendra since she was four years old. She would be out on the field Whe girls every chance, also riding in the trucks at parades. Congratulations!!

Werwhelming. The Seniors always of Ora Lee Lawrence's daughter, Toni Beth. We have had many funerals lately, al-

Hope all is well and see you next week - Carol

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