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# High wildfire danger alert for all of Texas Texas Forest Service urges caution

COLLEGE STATION, Texas-- The Texas Forest Service (TFS) is urging citizens across the state to be aware of heightened wildfire danger due to a low pressure front that will drop humidity levels and produce high winds.

m Spencer, TFS predictive services department head, said these conditions could lead to wildfires that spread quickly, pose containment problems and endanger public safety.

Though the state saw some precipitation earlier this week, prolonged drought conditions have not improved. In fact, the freezing temperatures only caused drought-cured grasses to become even drier.

TFS Predictive Services Department forecasts that through the month of February, fuels, such as grasses and trees, are expected to remain critically dry.

Over the past seven days, TFS has responded to five wildfires for 371 acres. According to an online database managed by TFS, fire departments have reported 163 wildfires for 7,899 since last Friday.

For more information on fire advisories and area conditions, go to http://texasforestservice.tamu.edu and click on Fire Danger/Advisories.

# **Two Positions Open For Corman ISD School Board Trustees**

TWO positions will come open for the May 9, 2009 election for school board trustee to be elected at large. These positions will be for three-year terms and are currently held by Daryl Hirst and Mark Simmons. Applications for filing for a position on the ballot will begin on February 9, 2009. Deadline for filing will be March 9, 2009 at 5:00 p.m. Applications can be completed at the Administration office during school hours.

DOS posiciones serán abiertas para la elección el 9 de mayo de 2009 para el fideicomisario de la mesa escolar directiva para ser decidido en libertad. Estas posiciones serán para términos de tres años y son sostenidas actualmente por Daryl Hirst y Mark Simmons. Las solicitudes para archivar para una posición en la votación comenzarán el 9 de febrero de 2009. La fecha límite para la clasificación será el 9 de marzo del 2009 a las 5:00 de la tarde. Las solicitudes pueden ser completadas en la oficina de Administración durante horas escolares.

# **Gorman Powerlifters Compete At 6th Annual Perrin-Whitt Meet**



POWERLIFTERS - Front Row (L to R) Nathan Gee and Kiefer Wilson; Middle Row (L to R) Lindsey Laminack, Rebecca Powell, Erica Limon, Tyler Johnson and Matt Cogburn; and Back Row (L to R) Sean Bates, Matt Keith, Jon Flores, and Matt Fox

The Gorman girls and boys powerlifting team competed last Saturday in the 6th annual Perrin-Whitt powerlifting meet. Both teams took 9th place overall from a field of sixteen.

In the girls division, Erica Limon took 4th place in her weight class with a total of 575lbs and Lindsey Laminack took 5th place in her weight class with a total of 575lbs.

In the boys division, Nathan Gee took 4th place in his weight class with a total of 580lbs and Tyler Johnson took 1st place in his weight class with a total of 1210lbs. Tyler set

## **Couple Of Fires In Gorman**

a new meet record for his weight class in the bench press, dead lift, and total weight.

Other members of the team who also competed in the meet are Rebecca Powell, Matt Fox, Matthew Cogburn, Kiefer Wilson, Matt Keith, Jon Flores, and Sean Bates. The team next meet will be this Saturday in Santo. The meet should start around 9:00am.

# **India Childrens Choir To Perform At Gorman United Methodist**

The India Childrens Choir will be performing at Gorman United Methodist Church on February 19th at 6 p.m. The Choir is on a ten month tour of the United States. The come from the hills of Manipur on the India-Burma-China border. The twenty-two children range in age from 8 to 12 years old.

# Victory Gospel Cruise The Redeemed to go on a Victoy Gospel Cruise this month . The Redeemed have been

traveling and singing gospel music for 4 years now they have sang and ministered in Texas, Louisiana and Oklahoma and the Lord has opened the doors on a Victotry Cruise . The Redeemed will be singing on Wednesday night on the ship . They will be going to Cozmel, Progreso, Yucatan Mexico so they can sing and minister to more of Gods People . They will return from the Islands just in time for the South Texas Gospel Music Convention in San Antonio , Texas where they are up for Group of the Year . Their lead singer Sherry Elmore is up for Female Vocalist of the year . The oscars will be a honor for them. . They just hope they can draw someone closer to God. If you would like the Redeemed to visit your church just call them at 325-518-8792 or send them an email theredeemed@ rocketmail.com - To contact The Redeemed call 325 - 518 - 8792

# Correction

In last week paper I (Lonnie) put the wrong info in about Matt Underwood. He receive 2008 Class 1A All-Big Country Football Team - "Unaminous Selection" as Running back, 5-11, 170, senior, 165-1330, 18 TDs and Defensive Back - Stats: 67 tackles, 17 solos, 4 INTs. Matt was also named to the All BigCountry "Super Team "Honorable Mention - Running Back and Defensive Back.

SANDRA CAGLE WILL BE IN GORMAN AT THE CITY OFFICE TO RENEW AUTO LICENSE PLATES. HER NEXT VISIT IS WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 18th 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 Mondays - 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

### Beth Moore Series On "Esther" Starting February 17

Community Women's Fellowship would like to invite all women in the area to participate in a Bible study beginning on February 17. The group will meet Tuesday ship.

Join Beth Moore in an in-depth and very personal examination of this great story that contains treasures to aid women in our hurried, harried, and pressured lives. This 10 week, interactive study will be led by Ruth Campbell and features personal, daily assignments and weekly group sessions with video.

If you need more information, a workbook ordered, or need childcare during the meeting time, contact Ellen Gressett (734-2805 or 5486), Angela Clark (893-5070), or Joy Campbell (734-2121) by February 12. We hope to see you there!

# Life Skills Valentine Sales

Send a thoughtful gift this Valentine's Day! This year's new item is "Fortune Teller Game" we will still have the Heart Tattoos, Silicone Bracelets and UNTIL SUPPLY LAST OF "LOVE GORILLAS" Sales begin January 26; don't delay, place your order today! Friendship Bag: \$1.00 Sweetheart Bag: \$3.00 Love Bag: \$4.00 (1) Message of your choice (1) Message of your choice (1) Message of your choice (1) Fortune Teller Game (1) Pencil (1) Love Gorilla (1) Sucker (1) Bracelet (1) Bracelet (1) Tattoo (1) Tattoo (1) Tattoo (2) Chocolates (1) Pencil (2) Pencils (1) Sucker (4) Chocolates (3) Chocolates Contact Ms. Smith or Mrs. Gonzalez to place and order at 734-2616 Thank You for your support! Life Skills Fundraiser for there Special Olympic

### SCHOOL MENU Week of Feb. 9 thru Feb. 13 LUNCH

MONDAY - Chicken Strips, Steak Fingers, Cream Potatoes, Green Beans, Biscuit, Gravy, Fruited Jello and Milk.

TUESDAY - Barbeque Chicken, Corn Dog, Pinto beans, Mac and afternoons from 3:00-5:00 at Firstfruits Christian Fellow- Cheese, Cornbread, Oranges, Chocolate Cake and Milk - BIRTH-DAY TABLE.

WEDNESDAY - Burrito, Soft Taco, refried beans, Spanish Rice, Tossed Salad, Crackers, Sherbet and Milk.

THURSDAY - Homemade Pizza, Ravioli, Cheese Sticks, Tossed Salad, Crackers, Chocolate Chip Cookie and Milk.

FRIDAY - Cheeseburger, Sloppy Joe, Lettuce, Tomato, Pickle Salad, Potato Rounds, Ice Cream and Milk.

# Gorman PEE WEE **Basketball Schedule**

The Jr. Class will be having a PeeWee Tournament on Feb.16th thru Feb.21st. The Sr. Travel Club will be having a Pee-Wee Basketball Tournament March 10th thru March 13th. This is the league play for PeeWee Basketball:

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.

Feb. 7th @ Gorman Feb. 14 @ DeLeon 9:00a-Gorman 4th Boys Vs Bearcats 9:00a-Bullets Vs Blaze 9:45a-Raiders Vs RS Boys 9:45a-Redhots Vs Gorman 3rd &4th Girls 10:30a-Buffs 3rd Vs Panthers 3rd Boys 10:30a-Roadrunners Vs Lady Buffs 6th 11:15a-GATA Vs Buffs 5th 11:15a-Sizzlers Vs Lady Buffs 4th Girls 12-Lady Panthers Vs Lady Buffs Team 2 12-Buffs 4th Vs Gorman 4th Boys 12:45p-Lady Buffs 3rd Vs Gorman 3rd&4th Girls 12:45p-Cats Vs Buffs 6th 1:30p-RS Boys Vs GATA 1:30p-Lady Buffs Team 1 Vs Lady Lakers 2:15p-Sizzlers Vs RedHots 2:15p-Blaze Vs Lady Buffs Team 1 3:00p-Panthers 3rd Vs Bearcats 3:00p-Cats Vs Buffs 6th Boys 3:45p-Gorman3rd&4th Girls Vs Lady Buffs 4th 3:45p-Ranger Vs Lady Panthers 5th Girls 4:30p-Gorman 4th Vs Buffs 3rd Boys 4:30p-Raiders Vs Buffs 5th Boys 5:15p-Lady Buffs 3rd Vs Sizzlers 5:15p-Lady Lakers Vs Roadrunners 6:00p-Lady Buffs 5th Team 2 Vs Bullets 6:00p-Bearcats Vs Buffs 4th 6:45p-Lady Buffs 6th Vs Roadrunners

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# Obituaries

### **Elwood C. Ragland**

Elwood C. Ragland Sr. age 80 of Desdemona and a retired Texas Electric employee, died Sunday in Eastland Memorial Emergency Room.

Funeral Services will be Thursday 10 AM in the First Baptist Church in Eastland. Visitation will be Wednesday 4 to 6 PM at Stella L. Wilson of Abilene and Ricky Ervin of Burleson; five sisters, the Funeral Home. Masonic Graveside rites will be in Desdemona Cemetery, directed by Edwards Funeral Home of Eastland.

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Born October 23, 1928 in Gorman to Clarence Earl Ragland and Gussie Mae Hightower Ragland. Graduate of Desdemona High School and entered the US Army during Korea serving as a Drill Instructor Mst. Sgt. After the war he married Nella V. Grimshaw in Desdemona on July 12, 1954. Elwood began working for Texas Electric Service Company, raising his children and supporting them in Little League, working in concession stands and above all setting a Christian example. He and Nell were active in Desdemona and East-

land First Baptist Churches, teaching Sunday school, singing in the choir and acting in the drama department, he served as a Deacon, he started the Royal Ambassadors in Eastland and called for the hiring of the first youth minister. He helped construct the Baptist Student

Union building at Ranger College, served on the Board for the Big

Country Baptist Encampment and worked in Disaster Relief.

He was a member of the Order of the Eastern Star, a Master Mason of Gorman Lodge and held an office in this or the Desdemona Lodge for over 50 years. He served as a District Deputy Grand Master and was a member of the Fort Worth Scottish Rite Bodies and the Brownwood York Rite Bodies.

He retired after 34 years with TU Electric, first as a lineman then as supervisor. He enjoyed his family, taking care of God's Creation his land thru farming. He loved the Lord and was constantly reaching out with Gods Love to other people.

He is survived by: Wife Nell Ragland of Desdemona; 3 Sons Elwood C. Ragland Jr. and wife Shelly of Fort Worth; Robert Ragland and wife Jennifer of Lubbock; Gerald Ragland of Desdemona; 2 Daughters, Jana Pittman and husband Patrick of Johnson City Texas; Carol Marlow and husband Andy of Fort Worth; Brothers Dorwood Ragland and wife LaDean of San Marcos; Bobby Jack Ragland of Lovington New Mexico Grandchildren; Scott Pittman of Cisco Paul Pittman of

Scranton, Ryan Ragland of Fort Worth, Rebekah Ragland of Fort Worth; 4 Great Grandchildren many nieces and nephews.



### **Alice Louise Ervin**

Alice Louise Ervin, 76, of Abilene, passed away on Thursday, January 22, 2009 at Hendrick Medical Center after a brief illness. A graveside service was held Friday, January 23rd at the Elm Cemetery near Gorman, directed by Abilene Funeral Home.

Alice was born to Cass and Lela Clark on September 16, 1932 in Gorman. She was a Baptist. She worked at Timex Corp. for many years and also did upholstery work. She was active and enjoyed dancing, bingo, cooking and sewing.

Survivors include her children, Robert Ervin of Gorman, Ruby McMillan of Eastland, Lorena Armstrong of Abilene, Leona Bolleter of Ranger, Leoma McDowell of Abilene and Georgie L. Er-Memorials may be made to First Baptist Church in East- vin of Gorman; five grandchildren; six great-grandchildren; and one great-greatgrandchild.

> Mrs. Ervin was preceded in death by her husband, Earl; her parents; three sisters and two brothers.

### **Becky Allene McCurry**

Becky Allene McCurry, age 54 of De Leon passed away on Saturday, January 31, 2009 at her residence. Services were held Tuesday, February 3rd at 2:00 p.m. At Nowlin Funeral Home Chapel with Buddy Hyden, Jimmy Holleman and Kenneth Wilson officiating with music by Buddy Hyden. Burial was in Downing Cemetery in Comanche Co.

She was born September 25, 1954 in Austin to Zetty Jane Mitchell Hyden and the late Elmer William Harden, Jr. She married Walter McCurry, Jr. on March 24, 1973 in Mexico.

Mrs. McCurry was a homemaker and had resided in De Leon since 1996, having previously lived in Liberty Hill. She was of the Baptist and Pentecostal faith and member of Double N Cowboy Lam! Church.

Survivors include her husband Walter McCurry, Jr. of De Leon; mother Zetty Jane Hyden of De Leon; son William Walker McCurry of De Leon; step-sons, Lanny Glen McCurry and fiance' Kathy Thompson of Bertram, TX; Michael Lee McCurry of Buchanan Dam, and Christopher Lonnie McCurry and wife Lajeana of Bertram; daughter Victoria Lynn/Dycus and husband Rick of De Leon; brother Mack William Hyden of De Leon; sisters Judy Ann West and Wanda Jean Parker, both of De Leon and Wendy Sue Williams of Mc-Dade; 12 grandchildren, Mikey, Teri and Cody McCurry, Alyssa and Kaitlyn McCurry, Chelsea Nuz, Holden McCurry, Shannon, Shelby and Sabrina Dycus, Lily McCurry and Shyla Woodard.

She was preceded by her father, Elmer W. Hyden, Jr.; and one sister, Kathy Louise Brown.

Pallbearers were Ricky Dycus, Bubba McCurry, Nick Hyden, Jacob Parker, Mike Parker, Lanny McCurry, John West, III, and Allen Pair. Honorary Pallbearers: Winston Ross, Henry Sims, John West, II, Marcus Hyden, Mickey McCurry, Chris McCurry, Marvin Brown, Robert Parker II, Mikey McCurry, Cody McCurry, Holden McCurry, Bill Plaunty and Mark Hyden.

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### Larry Nabors

Larry Nabors, age 64 of De Leon, went to be with his Heavenly Father on Tuesday, January 27, 2009 at the age of 64 years, 3 months and 24 days.

Larry was born October 3, 1944 in Galveston, to A. T. "Cotton" and Geneva Stevens Nabors. He was united in marriage to Paulette Anders on December 16, 1967 in Comanche, Texas. To this union were born two sons, Clint and Chad Nabors.

Larry was a retired elementary school principal; having coached ten years at De Leon ISD; 6 years at McCamey ISD; one year at Whitney; two years at Alvarado; two years at Gorman ISD; organized the Fellowship of Christian Athletes in McCamey as well as Alvarado, Whitney and Gorman schools; member of School Principals Organization; Texas High School Coaches Association; Speaker at Regional Texas High School Coaches Meeting; motivational speaker. He was Coach of the Year at McCamey; and served as De Leon Elementary School Principal from 1991 to 1998; Served on Peach and Melon Festival Committee; member McCamey Lions Club; lay minister, preached and taught Sunday School. He was a member of De Leon First Baptist Church where he served as a deacon.

Larry is survived by his wife Paulette Nabors of De Leon; mother Geneva Nabors of De Leon; sister Linda Black and husband Don of Lubbock; daughter-in-law, Cindy Nabors of Azle; two grandchildren, Jayde Nabors and Baylor Nabors of Azle; brother-in-law Stanton Anders and wife Ann of De Leon; niece, Lacy Kastler and husband Tom and son Cody of Bridgeport and niece Paula Sing and husband Tommy of San Saba and son Charlie of Belton.

He was preceded by this father A. T. "Cotton" Nabors and two sons, Clint Nabors and Chad Nabors.

Funeral services were Thursday, January 29, 2009 at First Baptist Church with Bro. David Kelly officiating. Speakers included Joe Bob Huddleston, Brandon Gilmore, Kevin Hirst, Donnie Nowlin, Craig Smith, Mike Huddleston, Shane Jackson, Bobby Schuman, Clifford Coan, Scott Shaw and Rodney Bryant. Music was provided by Daryl Hirst, The Messengers, and Rick Green.

Serving as pallbearers were Justin Underwood, Mark Hancock, Ernie Vasquez, David Acosta, David Gilder, Randy Hardin. Honorary Pallbearers were Bryan Laster, Kevin Hirst, Brandon Gilmore, Mark Wilkerson, Craig Smith, Joe Bob Huddleston, Mike Huddleston, Ben Ferguson, Bucky Watson, Jody Stevens, Shane Jackson, Andy Quinn, Rubin Molina, Donnie Nowlin, Bobby Schuman, Clifford Coan, Jakie Brooks, Rocky Hardin, Joe Rogers, Scott Shaw, Shane Hooten, Rodney Bryant, Gary Park, Ricky Hardin, Lannes Callison, Tim Beaty, Greg Cisneroz, Toby Hare, Cory Pack, David Watts, Chago Landa, Chuck Fonville, Jade Warren, Steven Scitern, Brand Bolen, Chad Champbell and Jason Ditmore.

Memorials may be made to the Larry Nabors Memorial Scholarship Fund, CO De Leon High School



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455 A, wells, tanks, creek, tree covered, hunting, Hwy.6 frontage [RS01] \$1,912,000 REDUCED 320±A, on Turkey Creek, creek, tanks, well, hunting [ET01] \$880,000 \$800,000 SOLD 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 REDUCED 236±A, wells, tanks, rolling terrian, hunting [DS02] \$2,195/acre \$1,995/acre SOLD 231 A, on Leon River, wells, pecan trees, hunting [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 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 21±A, Sprigged with World Feeder Costal Bermuda grass, water well [MS04] \$92,500 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 4-2 Brick Home, 2 fireplaces, CHA, 2 car garage; & a 76' x 16' mobile home [JH01] \$159,900 4+A, 4-3 Remodeled Brick Home, additional recreational room, water well [RH02] \$149,900 REDUCED 5 A, 3-1 Frame Home, near Proctor Lk., barn, rural water [LC01] \$92,500 \$89,500 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 Brick Home, 2car attach garage, new flooring, large lot, fenced yard [MG02] \$75,000 REDUCED 2-2 Mobile Home 14X70, 12x28 add-on, strg.bldg/carport [PA01] \$29,900 \$22,500 REDUCED 2-11/2 Frame Home, attached garage, storage building [ST01] \$75,000 \$69,000 2-1 Frame Home, 2.3 A, screened porch, water well, storage bldg. [GB02] \$55,000

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179 A. south of Gorman: Part wooded, part old fields, deer & hogs, 2 nice

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**Breeding Swine** Place. Exhibitor, Club Class 1: Light Weight Berk Gilts 150-200 lbs. 1. Marc Gillen -- Gorman FFA Class 4: Champion Gilt Marc Gillen -- Gorman FFA Class 9: Middle Weight Duroc Gilts -- Ibs 1. Gage Crowder -- Eastland FFA; 2. Dillon Broyles -- Carbon 4H Class 12: Champion Duroc Gage Crowder -- Eastland FFA **Reserve** Champion Dillon Broyles -- Carbon 4H Class 14: Middle Weight Hamp Gilts -- lbs 1. Gage Fullen -- Eastland Jr FFA; 2. Hailee Stacy -- Carbon 4H; 3. Brett Rice -- Carbon 4H Class 17: Poland Gilts 1. Reese Scitern -- Gorman FFA Class 18: Champion Poland Gilt Reese Scitern -- Gorman FFA Class 23: Heavy Weight Spot Gilts 261 + lbs 1. Reese Scitern -- Gorman FFA; 2. Reese Scitern -- Gorman FFA Class 25: Champion Spot Gilt Reese Scitern -- Gorman FFA Reserve Champion Spot Gilt Reese Scitern -- Gorman FFA Class 26: White OPB Gilts 150 - 200 lbs 1. Trinity Fenley -- Gorman FFA; 2. Gage Crowder -- Eastland FFA Class 29: Champion White OPB Gilt Trinity Fenley -- Gorman FFA Reserve Champion White OPB Gilt Class 31: Middle Weight York Gilts -- Ibs 1. Katyon Pence -- Cisco FFA; 2. Zoey Tucker -- Carbon 4-H; 3. Keaton Moore Gorman FFA Class 32: Heavy Weight York Gilts 261 + lbs 1. Abby Ann Geye -- Rising Star 4-H Class 33: Champion York Gilt Katyon Pence -- Cisco FFA **Reserve Champion York Gilt** Zoey Tucker -- Carbon 4-H Class 34: Light Weight Cross Gilts 150 -- 200 lbs 1. Gavin Pulis -- Eastland FFA Class 35: Medium Weight Cross Gilts -- Ibs 1. Zoey Tucker -- Carbon 4-H Class 38: Champion Cross Gilt Zoey Tucker -- Carbon 4-H **Reserve Champion Cross Gilt** Gavin Pulis -- Eastland FFA Class 39: Grand Champion Gilt Katyon Pence -- Cisco FFA Reserve Grand Champion Gilt - Trinity Fenley -- Gorman FFA Junior Showmanship: Madison Warren -- Gorman FFA Senior Showmanship: Marc Gillen -- Gorman FFA **Market Hogs** Place. Exhibitor -- Club: Tag, Weight Class 1 A: Light Weight Berk 1. Kourtney Seaton -- Gorman FFA; 2. Stetson Thompson -- Gorman FFA Class 1B: Heavy Weight Berk 1. Rowdy Bond -- Ranger 4-H; 2. Madison Warren -- Gorman FFA **Champion Berk** Kourtney Seaton -- Gorman FFA **Reserve Champion Berk** Rowdy Bond -- Ranger 4-H Class 2A: Light Durocs

1. Grandle Thompson -- Eastland FFA; 2. Brian Broyles -- Eastland FFA; 3. Shawn Rainey -- Gorman FFA Class 2B: Light Heavy Durocs 1. Joe Bacon -- Cisco FFA; 2. Marc Gillen -- Gorman FFA; 3. Shelby Nicholson -- Eastland FFA

Class 2C: Medium Weight Durocs

Market Angora Goats

Class 1 -- 1. Aubrey Lawrence, Rising Star FFA; 2. Kendle Coan, Gorman FFA; 3. Matthew Lawrence, Rising Star FFA Grand Champion Market Angora Goat -- Aubrey Lawrence, Rising Star FFA Reserve Grand Champion Market Angora Goat -- Kendle Coan, Gorman FFA Junior Showmanship -- Matthew Lawrence, Rising Star FFA Senior Showmanship -- Lindsey Kendall, Cisco FFA Division 1, Class 1 -- 1. Lauren Spivey, Gorman FFA; 2. Ty Montgomery, Carbon 4-H; 3. Bethany Oliver, Gorman FFA Division 1, Class 2 -- 1. Ben Burgess, Gorman FFA; 2. Tori Stuart, Cisco FFA; 3. Bailey Underwood, Carbon 4-H Division 1, Class 3 -- 1. Colt Sanchez, Cisco FFA; 2. Ashley Mitchell, Eastland FFA; 3. Rylee Breneman, Eastland FFA Champion Division 1 -- Colt Sanchez, Cisco FFA Reserve Champion Division 1 -- Ben Burgess, Gorman FFA Division 2, Class 1 -- 1. Bethany Oliver, Gorman FFA; 2. Meghan Moore, Carbon 4-H; 3. Kendle Coan, Gorman FFA Division 2, Class 2 -- 1. Ben Burgess, Gorman FFA; 2. Colt Sanchez, Cisco FFA; 3. Ashley Scott, Cisco FFA Division 2, Class 3 -- 1. Madison Warren, Gorman FFA; 2. Peyton Bird, Carbon 4-H; 3. Hailey Richardson, Cisco FFA Champion Division 2 -- Madison Warren, Gorman FFA Reserve Champion Division 2 -- Peyton Bird, Carbon 4-H Division 3, Class 1 -- 1. Madison Warren, Gorman FFA; 2. Ashley Mitchell, Eastland FFA; 3. Garrett Arnold, Ranger FFA Division 3, Class 2 -- 1. Chelsi Arnold, Ranger FFA; 2. Garrett Arnold, Ranger FFA; 3. Clay Carper, Carbon 4-H Division 3, Class 3 -- 1. Erica Walker, Eastland FFA; 2. Chelsi Arnold, Ranger FFA; 3. Carl Pendergrast, Rising Star 4-H Champion Division 3 -- Erica Walker, Eastland FFA Reserve Champion Division 3 -- Chelsi Arnold, Ranger FFA Grand Champion Market Goat -- Erica Walker, Eastland FFA Reserve Grand Champion Market Goat -- Madison Warren, Gorman FFA Junior Showmanship -- Madison Warren, Gorman FFA Senior Showmanship -- Chelsi Arnold, Ranger FFA

#### **Market Lambs**

Class 1A, Fine Wool -- 1. Colt Sanchez, Cisco FFA; 2. Hailey Richardson, Cisco FFA; 3. Zoey Tucker, Carbon 4-H Class 1B, Fine Wool -- 1. Ashley Mitchell, Eastland FFA; 2. Madison Warren, Gorman FFA Champion Fine Wool -- Colt Sanchez, Cisco FFA Reserve Champion Fine Wool -- Ashley Mitchell, Eastland FFA Class 2A, Fine Wool Cross -- 1. Caylon McCreless, Gorman FFA; 2. Sara Wodall, Gorman FFA; 3. Kobe Conring, Cisco FFA Class 2B, Fine Wool Cross -- 1. Erica Walker, Easland FFA; 2. Drew McCreless, Gorman FFA Champion Fine Wool Cross -- Erica Walker, Eastland FFA Reserve Champion Fine Wool Cross -- Caylon McCreless, Gorman FFA Class 3A, Southdown -- 1. Natalie Richardson, Cisco FFA; 2. Madison Warren, Gorman FFA; 3. Brittney Stuart, Cisco FFA Class 3B, Southdown -- 1. Ashley Mitchell, Eastland; 2. Tonya Thompson, Cisco FFA Champion Southdown -- Natalie Richardson, Cisco FFA Reserve Champion Southdown -- Ashley Mitchell, Eastland FFA Class 4A, Medium Wool -- 1. Sean Bates, Gorman FFA; 2. Jo Anna McCreless, Gorman FFA; 3. Amanda West, Cisco FFA Class 4B, Medium Wool -- 1. Erica Walker, Eastland FFA; 2. Madison Warren, Gorman FFA; 3. Colt Sanchez, Cisco FFA Class 4C, Medium Wool -- 1. Colt Sanchez, Cisco FFA; 2. Ashley Mitchell, Eastland FFA; 3. Drew McCreless, Gorman FFA Champion Medium Wool -- Erica Walker, Eastland FFA Reserve Champion Medium Wool -- Colt Sanchez, Cisco FFA Grand Champion Market Lamb -- Erica Walker, Eastland FFA Reserve Grand Champion Market Lamb -- Erica Walker, Eastland FFA Junior Showmanship -- Madison Warren, Eastland FFA Senior Showmanship -- Colt Sanchez, Cisco FFA

### Hotfooters To Offer Clogging Classes

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

The dance club meets at 5 p.m. every Tuesday at 109 N. Baylor St. The group of cloggers performs regularly in Breckenridge and area towns.

For more information, call Shirley Anderson at (254) 559-2567 or (254-246-1972) (cell).

### **Card** of Thanks

The Family of Alice Louise (Lou) Ervin would like to thank everyone, friends, family, and Gorman First Baptist Church for all the prayers, telephone calls, cards and food during out time of sorrow.

Special Thanks to Bro. Barry Schahn for the message you gave at the service. Thank you to all the ladies and the kindness they showed us at the lunch they served and prepared for our family.

Thank you to Shanda Morrison of Panda's Flowers and Gifts for all the beautiful flowers and plants, and thank you to anyone else we may have missed.

> Robert and Kathey Ervin **Rickey Ervin and Family** Stella (Ervin) Wilson and Family of Abilene Sisters, Ruby McMillian of Eastland Lorena Armstrong of Abilene Leona Bolleter of Ranger Leoma McDowell of Abilene Georgie L. Ervin of Gorman

# **Pig Tales From Hogtown**

I hope to see you all Saturday for 'Breakfast at the DAC'. Time sure does go fast doesn't it! Come and join us for eggs, bacon, sausage, pancakes, biscuits and gravy. It's a great way to start your weekend!

On February 12, we will hold the annual General Meeting of the Desdemona Activity Center. We invite all who support the DAC to attend this meeting on February 12th at 7:30 P.M. We will be electing 2 new members to the Board of Directors at this time. Helen and Leo will be vacating their seats as they have served their terms. Please consider allowing your name to be placed on the ballot. In order to vote, you must be a member and memberships cost \$25 per year. The membership allows you to vote, serve on the Board of Directors and get a discount if you rent the building. We welcome newcomers and new ideas!

Carolyn Maupin from Stephenville will be teaching our AARP Defensive Driving course here at the DAC on April 2nd. The class is open to anyone 50 years of age or older and lasts 4 hours. We will begin at noon on the 2nd of April. There is a charge for the class -\$12.00 if you are a member of AARP and \$14 if you are not.

1. Mason Harris -- Cisco FFA; 2. Kendall Lindsay -- Cisco FFA; 3. Kodie Sparger -- Gorman FFA Class 2D: Heavy Weight Durocs 1. Katie Young -- Eastland 4-H; 2. Colby LaRue -- Ranger 4-H; 3. Adrian Greenfield -- Rising Star FFA Champion Duroc Duroc. Katie Young -- Eastland 4-H Reserve Champion Duroc RDuroc. Colby LaRue -- Ranger 4-H Class 3A: Light Weight Hamps 1. Sierra Spruill -- Eastland FFA; 2. Ben Burgess -- Gorman FFA; 3. Amber King- Senior Showmanship -- Kimi Seaton, Gorman FFA West -- Cisco FFA Class 3B: Light Medium Weight Hamps 1. Heath Draper -- Ranger FFA; 2. Chelsi Arnold -- Ranger FFA; 3. Geani McGinn -- Rising Star FFA Class 3C: Medium Weight Hamps 1. Ashley Mitchell -- Eastland FFA; 2. Shelby Nicholson -- Eastland FFA; 3. Stetson Thompson -- Gorman FFA Class 3D: Heavy Weight Hamps 1. Zoey Tucker -- Carbon 4-H; 2. Emory Geye -- Rising Star FFA8; 3. Kendall Harley -- Cisco FFA **Champion Hamp** Heath Draper -- Ranger FFA **Reserve Champion Hamp** Ashley Mitchell -- Eastland FFA Class 4A: Light Weight Polands 1. Courtney Seaton -- Gorman FFA; 2. Ariel Rabb -- Cisco FFA Class 4B: Heavy Weight Polands 1. Courtney Carlton -- Carbon 4-H; 2. Dalas Vaughn -- Cisco FFA; 3. Bryce Gosnell -- Eastland FFA **Champion Poland** Courtney Carlton -- Carbon 4-H **Reserve** Poland Dalas Vaughn -- Cisco FFA Class 5A: Light Weight Spots 1. Justin Little -- Gorman FFA; 2. Madison Warren -- Gorman FFA; 3. McKenzie Osborn -- Gorman FFA Class 5C: Heavy Weight Spots 1. Lesli Blackburn -- Ranger 4-H; 2. Courtney Carlton -- Carbon 4-H; 3. Heath Draper -- Ranger FFA **Champion Spot** Lesli Blackburn -- Ranger 4-H Reserve Champion Spot Courtney Carlton -- Carbon 4-H Class 6A: Light Weight White OPB 1. Ariel Rabb -- Cisco FFA; 2. Za Spruill-- Eastland FFA; 3. Sam Pulis -- Eastland FFA1. Nikki Leath -- Ranger 4H; 2. Katie Young -- Eastland 4H; 3. Amanda French-West -- Cisco FFA Champion White OPB Nikki Leath -- Ranger 4-H Reserve Champion White OPB Katie Young -- Eastland 4-H Class 7A: Light York 1. Jamie Young -- Eastland 4-H; 2. Ashley Scott -- Cisco FFA; 3. Kenneth Simmons -- Rising Star FFA Class 7B: Heavy Weight York 1. Nathan Gee -- Gorman FFA; 2. Rowdy Bond -- Ranger 4-H; 3. Jacob Bridges -- Cisco FFA **Champion York** York. Nathan Gee -- Gorman FFA **Reserve Champion York** Rowdy Bond -- Ranger 4-H Class 8A: Light Cross 1. Cameron Burleson -- Cisco FFA; 2. Sam Pulis -- Eastland FFA; 3. Halee Richardson -- Red Gap 4H Class 8B: Light Medium Cross 1. Shelby Nicholson -- Eastland FFA; 2. Nathan Rice -- Carbon 4-H; 3. Nathan Gee -- Gorman FFA Class 8C: Medium Cross 1. Justin Little -- Gorman FFA; 2. Nathan Gee -- Gorman FFA; 3. Bryce Gosnell -- Eastland FFA Class 8D: Heavy Medium Cross 1. Lesli Blackburn -- Ranger 4H; 2. Jamie Young -- Carbon 4H; 3. Sam Pulis

Market Rabbits Class 1 -- 1. Lea Thompson, Eastland FFA; 2. Bailey Underwood, Gorman FFA; 3. Sierra Spruill, Eastland FFA Class 2 -- 1. Lea Thompson, Eastland FFA; 2. Kailee Nall, Rising Star 4-H; 3. Kinsey Nall, Rising Star 4-H Class 3 -- 1. Kimi Seaton, Gorman FFA; 2. Zoey Tucker, Carbon 4-H; 3. Ashley Mitchell, Eastland FFA Champion Market Rabbit -- Kimi Seaton, Gorman FFA Reserve Champion Market Rabbit -- Lea Thompson, Eastland FFA Junior Showmanship -- Zoey Tucker, Carbon 4-H the state was and the time of the and a series of a series of the series Market Steers Light Weight British -- 1. Ashley Simpson, Eastland FFA

Champion British -- Ashley Simpson, Eastland FFA Light Weight American Cross -- 1. Jacob Henson, Carbon 4-H; 2. Heather Henson, Carbon 4-H Champion American Cross -- Jacob Henson, Carbon 4-H Reserve Champion American Cross -- Heather Henson, Carbon 4-H Heavy Weight Exotics -- 1. Courtney Simpson, Eastland FFA; 2. Jacob Simpson, Eastland FFA Champion Exotics -- Courtney Simpson, Eastland FFA Reserve Champion Exotics -- Jacob Simpson, Eastland FFA Grand Champion Market Steer -- Courtney Simpson, Eastland FFA Reserve Grand Champion Market Steer -- Jacob Simpson, Eastland Junior Showmanship -- Heather Henson, Carbon 4-H

#### Senior Showmanship -- Jacob Henson, Carbon 4-H

#### Market Hogs

Light Weight Berk -- 1. Nikki Leath, Ranger 4-H; 2. Jamie Young, Ranger 4-H Heavy Weight Berk -- 1. Pecos Vaughn, Cisco FFA; 2. Ty Gosnell, Eastland FFA; 3. Bryce Gosnell, Eastland FFA Champion Berk -- Nikki Leath, Ranger 4-H Reserve Champion Berk -- Pecos Vaughn, Cisco FFA Light Durocs -- 1. Amanda West, Cisco FFA; 2. Tessa Chancellor, Ranger FFA; 3. Coby Spivey, Gorman FFA Medium Weight Durocs -- 1. Ryan Draper, Ranger FFA; 2. Colby LaRue, Ranger 4-H; 3. Grandle Thompson Spruill, Cisco FFA Champion Duroc -- Ryan Draper, Ranger FFA Reserve Champion Duroc -- Colby LaRue, Ranger 4-H Light Weight Hamps -- 1. Geani McGinn, Rising Star FFA; 2. Katie Young, Ranger 4-H; 3. Natalie Richardson, Cisco FFA Medium Weight Hamps -- 1. Nathan Gee, Gorman FFA; 2. Michael Wright, Rising Star 4-H; 3. Dalton Self, Rising Star 4-H Heavy Weight Hamps -- 1. Hope Spruill, Eastland FFA; 2. Emory Geye, Rising Star 4-H; 3. Chelsi Arnold, Ranger FFA Champion Hamp -- Hope Spruill, Eastland FFA Reserve Champion Hamp -- Emory Geye, Rising Star 4-H Light Weight Polands -- 1. Dalas Vaughn, Cisco FFA; 2. Courtney Carlton, Carbon 4-H; 3. Stetson Thompson, Gorman FFA Champion Poland -- Dalas Vaughn, Cisco FFA Reserve Champion Poland -- Courtney Carlton, Carbon 4-H Light Weight Spots -- 1. Cole Underwood, Gorman FFA; 2. Cole Underwood, Gorman FFA; 3. Tailor Herrington, Eastland FFA Middle Weight Spots -- 1. Adrian Greenfield, Rising Star FFA; 2. Seth Byers, Eastland FFA; 3. Clayton Keifer, Cisco FFA Heavy Weight Spots -- 1. Joe Bacon, Cisco FFA; 2. Ryan Draper, Ranger FFA; 3. Ben Burgess, Gorman FFA Champion Spot -- 1. Adrian Greenfield, Rising Star FFA Reserve Champion Spot -- Seth Byers, Eastland FFA Light Weight White OPB -- 1. Ashley Mitchell, Eastland FFA; 2. Katie Young, Ranger 4-H Heavy Weight White OPB -- 1. Shelby Nicholson, Eastland FFA; 2. Payton Keifer, Cisco FFA; 3. Heath Draper, Ranger FFA Champion White OPB -- Ashley Mitchell, Eastland FFA Reserve Champion White OPB -- Katie Young, Ranger 4-H Light Weight York -- 1. Hailey Richardson, Cisco FFA; 2. Brittney Steward, Cisco FFA Medium Weight York -- 1. Rowdy Bond, Ranger 4-H; 2. Deric Stacy, Carbon 4-H; 3. Brodee Shelnutt, Rising Star FFA Heavy Weight York -- 1. Kenneth Simmons, Rising Star FFA; 2. Kutter Shelnutt, Rising Star FFA; 3. Joshua Moylan, Eastland FFA Champion York -- Rowdy Bond, Ranger 4-H

Reserve Champion York -- Deric Stacy, Carbon 4-H Light Weight Cross - 1. Nikita Brady, Cisco FFA; 2. Bryce Gosnell, Eastland Please remember the family of Elwood Ragland in your prayers. Elwood passed away on Sunday.

Our Craft Show will be held April 17th and 18th this year. Letters have just been sent inviting vendors to attend our show. If you or anyone you know would like more information about renting a booth, please call me at 254-758-2420. This is our third annual show and we have had more vendors each year.

> See you in Desdemona! Carol Pell

### Obituaries **Bill Adcock**

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Graveside services for Bill Adcock age 83 of Forestburg will be Monday, February 9th at 11 a.m. At the Rosston Cemetery under the direction of the Geo. J. Carroll and Son Funeral Home. Mr. Adcock passed away on Monday, February 2, 2009 in Muenster, Tx.

Mr. Adcock was born on April 16, 1925 in Gorman, Tx to Nathanel "Nat" and Iona "Pearl" Huckabee Adcock. Mr. Adcock attended school in Gorman and served in the United States Navy during W.W. II as a gunnersmate 2nd Class. He then worked for the Phillips Oil Company in Borger for 35 years. Bill enjoyed reading Western Books.

Mr. Adcock is survived by a son, Danny Masten, a grandson John Masten and a great-grandson Cooper Masten. Also 6 nieces and 3 nephews. He preceded in death by his wife Eva Marie Adcock and 2 brothers and 3 sisters.

Family visitation is set for Saturday, February 8th from 3 to 4 p.m. At the Geo. J. Carroll and Son Funeral Home in Gainesville, Tx. Memorial contributions made be made to the Rosston Cemetery Associaiton. You may sign the on-line registry at geojcarroll. com

### Wayne Otwell

Wayne Otwell, age 86 of De Leon passed away on Monday, February 3, 2009 at Comanche County Medical Center. Services are set for Thursday, February 5th at 11 a.m. At De Leon First United Methodist Church with Pastor Lisa Neslony officiating. Cremated remains will be interred on family farm at a later date.

Wayne was born September 27, 1922 in Comanche County to the late Rufus and Lillian Nabors Otwell.

He was a World War II Navy Veteran, a member of De Leon First United Methodist Church. He was a dairyman, farmer and rancher.

Survivors include one son Dennis Otwell and wife Peggy of De Leon; one granddaughter, Kathryn Otwell of Fort Worth; one sister, Marinell Skaggs of De Leon; and former wife Marcene Otwell of De Leon

Preceded by three brothers, Nathan, Edward and Coy Otwell; two sisters, Nelda and Melba Otwell.

### Perry Designates Emergency Items

AUSTIN - Gov. Rick Perry today declared emergency items for the 2009 legislative session. The emergency designation will allow lawmakers to begin considering these issues in the initial 30 days of the legislative session.

The emergency items include:

 Legislation to provide supplemental appropriations to state agencies and institutions related to hurricane response and recovery associated with the hurricanes of 2008;

1. Jamie Young -- Carbon 4H; 2. Lauren Adams -- Olden 4-H; 3. Tyler Adams -- Olden 4-H

Class 8F: Medium Heavy Cross

Class 8E: Light Heavy Cross

1. Blatiney Spruill -- Eastland FFA; 2. Ryan Draper -- Ranger FFA; 3. Zoey Tucker -- Carbon 4-H

Class 8G: Heavy Cross

1. Emory Geye -- Rising Star FFA; 2. Garrett Arnold -- Ranger FFA; 3. Phillip Gosnell -- Eastland FFA

Champion Cross

-- Eastland FFA

Emory Geye -- Rising Star FFA

Reserve Champion Cross - Jamie Young -- Carbon 4-H Class 9: Grand Champion Market Hog - Nathan Gee -- Gorman FFA Reserve Grand Champion Market Hog - Heath Draper -- Ranger FFA Junior Showmanship: Courtney Carlson -- Carbon 4H Senior Showmanship: Ben Burgess -- Gorman FFA

FFA; 3. Michelle Cooper, Cisco FFA Medium Weight Cross -- 1. Zoey Tucker, Carbon 4-H; 2. Geani McGinn, Rising Star FFA; 3. Chisholm Spruill, Eastland FFA Heavy Medium Weight Cross -- 1. Shelby Nicholson, Eastland FFA; 2. Phillip Gosnell, Eastland FFA; 3. Emory Geye, Rising Star FFA Heavy Weight Cross -- I. Heath Draper, Ranger FFA; 2. Crystal Westover, Ranger 4-H; 3. Rowdy Bond, Ranger 4-H Champion Cross -- Heath Draper, Ranger FFA Reserve Champion Cross -- Crystal Westover, Ranger 4-H Grand Champion Market Hog -- Heath Draper, Ranger FFA Reserve Grand Champion Market Hog -- Rowdy Bond, Ranger 4-H Junior Showmanship -- Ty Gosnell, Eastland FFA Senior Showmanship -- Geani McGinn, Rising Star FFA

· Legislation to assist public and private entities with recovery from the hurricanes of 2008;

· Legislation to reform the Texas Windstorm Insurance Association (TWIA) and legislation to fund the Catastrophe Reserve Trust Fund related to TWIA;

· Legislation to improve state schools and centers operated by the state of Texas; and

 Legislation to appropriate funds to the Texas Department of Criminal Justice for the purchase and use of screening and detection devices for contraband and personnel, as well as comprehensive security equipment.

"By designating these items emergencies, lawmakers are able to begin considering these important issues relating to the safety, security, recovery of our state," Gov. Perry said.

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#### THE GORMAN PROGRESS

**FEBRUARY 5, 2009** 



Our weekly luncheon was not held last week due to the ice storm. Will have article next week. Hope all is well and see you next time, Carol.

# **Happenings At FBC!!**

Answer! When a question is asked or a result is wanted we as human beings expect an answer. When God calls upon you to do His work, what is your answer? Mark your calendars:

Feb. 12th - 6:00pm - Deacon's Valentine Banquet.

Answered Prayers - Martha Rainey is home from Costa Rica, please continue to pray for her continued response to the treatment.

Children's Sermon: Liz blew a whistle, and explained how whistles will be blown during the Super Bowl. Liz told of a football team in Australia named the Sydney Swans. The Sydney Swans lost every game and had only a very few fans that supported them; until they got a new coach and new players then their team turned into winners. When they started winning every game the fans filled the stands. One fan held up a sign that said, "I was here when nobody else was!" Jesus is our fan that never leaves us, and the Bible says Jesus is with us until the end of the age. 1000 800

Bro. Barry's message was "The Return Signs!" - Matthew 24:6 .

The Bible's message about Jesus is supported by the writings of Kings. Back in the day the Kings wrote about Jesus' existence: His birth, His death, His resurrection, and His ascension. The ascension of Christ was visible. Universities are offering classes to study the last days and final events in the history of the world called Eschatology.

Signs of the Times:

I. Restoration of Jewish Nation. - In 1948 Israel became a legitimate nation. The Jews did not receive Jesus, and are still looking for His first coming. II. Nation will rise against Nation, Kingdom against Kingdom. - The war of Nations is ethnic and the war Kingdoms is borders.

III. Famines. - Half of the world is overweight and the other half is starving.

IV. Pestilences. - More bacteria and super bugs known to man than ever before.

V. Perverted Sexual Relationships. - Homosexuality is exposed more now than in our history. VI. People will become SINFUL, and delight in it!

VII. Violence and Corruption. - EVERYWHERE, can't turn on the news without seeing it." VIII. Gospel will be preached in the whole world. - Communication is at its height. IX. Brother betrays Brother. - Unemployment leading to murder suicides.

X. Heaven and Earth will be contaminated. - Pollution.

Do NOT be troubled or alarmed - these things must come to pass before the end time!

Bro. Barry will continue the discussion of the "Signs of the Times" on Feb. 8th.

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

# **Super Notes**

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# **Desdemona News**

By Vonnie Guthery

"Ladies Monthly Social" will be held on Monday, February 9th at the Community Center (old school building). Make plans to attend to enjoy food and fellowship with all the group. Plan to arrive at 9:00 a.m. Visitors are welcome.

Katie Duke spent the past weekend visiting with her Dad, Russell Duke in Albuquerque, New Mexico.

"Hogtown" had lots of ice last Wednesday morning with very low temperature. Schools was closed and many were unable to go to work.

Pug Guthery spent Monday thru Friday in the Comanche County Medical Center following gall bladder surgery. He returned home on Friday and is recovering very well.

Clyde (Wilhite) Paul, 99, of Desdemona passed away and burial was on January 31, 2009 in the Desdemona Cemetery. Survivors include a daughter, Jo Ann Good of Carbondale, Kansas. Clyde attended school in Desdemona and graduated with Class 1928. Preceded in death by her husband, Kenneth Paul, her parents, Tandy and Ida Whilhite. Friends of Desdemona sends sincere sympathy to this family.

Remember the sick and shut-ins of our Community with your cards and prayers. A note of cheer means so much to a shut-in.

Virginia Griffith moved to Desdemona over the weekend. She purchased the Thiebaud home (located next to the First Baptist Annex). Her husband, Hershel Griffith passed away on January 1, 2009. Please help to "Welcome" this lady to our Community.

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

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I spent a few days in Austin last week at the Texas Association of School Administrators Mid-Winter Conference. I always hate being out of the district, but it was a good conference and well worth the time spent, especially during a legislative year. We had several legislators address us as a group and thankfully our legislators are talking favorably about making some positive changes not only to the way schools are funded, but the State Board of Education is also talking about implementing three different graduation plans that include a vocational track so that students have more flexibility in planning their future. It will be interesting to look back in June and see exactly what gets done. I'll do my best to keep you informed about school related issues and anything else that comes up that looks like it will affect our community and those that surround us.

I hope you took my advice last week and developed some plan with your kids about what to do in an emergency. The cold snap we had could have been much worse and caused a lot of dangerous situations for our kids. Just look at what is happening in Kentucky right now. Thinking ahead and planning for problems before they occur is our best plan of action. Be proactive when it comes to your child's safety!

We had a tough night against some very good DeLeon teams last week but looked much better against May on Friday night. The games were hard fought and our kids gave all they had. Our shots were just not falling that night. I appreciate the crowd that was there to support our kids. Sometimes in the heat of the contest we forget that they are kids and expect them to perform like professionals, but they are just kids, although I think they are great kids! You may not realize it, but baseball and softball will begin pretty soon as well as golf and tennis and then there are the stock shows. We will not be bored! There will be a choice to be made in some cases regarding what you want to see the most.

The new gym and high school is looking better every time I walk through which is almost on a daily basis. I consider my oversight of the job as one of my greatest responsibilities as well as one of my greatest pleasures. I give free tours if you would ever like to take a walk through and see what we are doing. Right now we are doing a lot of finish concrete work: steps, walks, etc.. Soon you will see doors and windows going in and painters.

Don't forget our scoreboard fund raiser. If you missed the details, call or email me and I will get them to you. We are going to be the best gymnasium in the area and will seat 648 regular patrons and have ten handicap spots. I believe we will become a regular location for annual tournaments as well as playoff games for both basketball and volleyball.

The India Children's Choir will perform at Maxfield Elementary on Thursday, February 19th at 2:00 in the auditorium. Visitors are welcome. It is suggested that perhaps each child could bring \$.50 or a \$1.00 to contribute to the ministry of "Bibles For the World". This will be a very rewarding experience for our children to see and hear these children from a completely different culture.

The Valentine's Day Fundraiser is ongoing until Friday, February 13th. It is appreciated and recommended that you get your order in as early as possible. Thanks in advance to all that participate.

The Jump Rope for Heart fund raiser that Elementary students participated in earned \$1,280. Thank you goes out to all that helped make this a successful occasion. Hopefully the children had fun and learned more about prevention of heart disease. Most important, maybe a life or two will get saved because of our effort!

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!

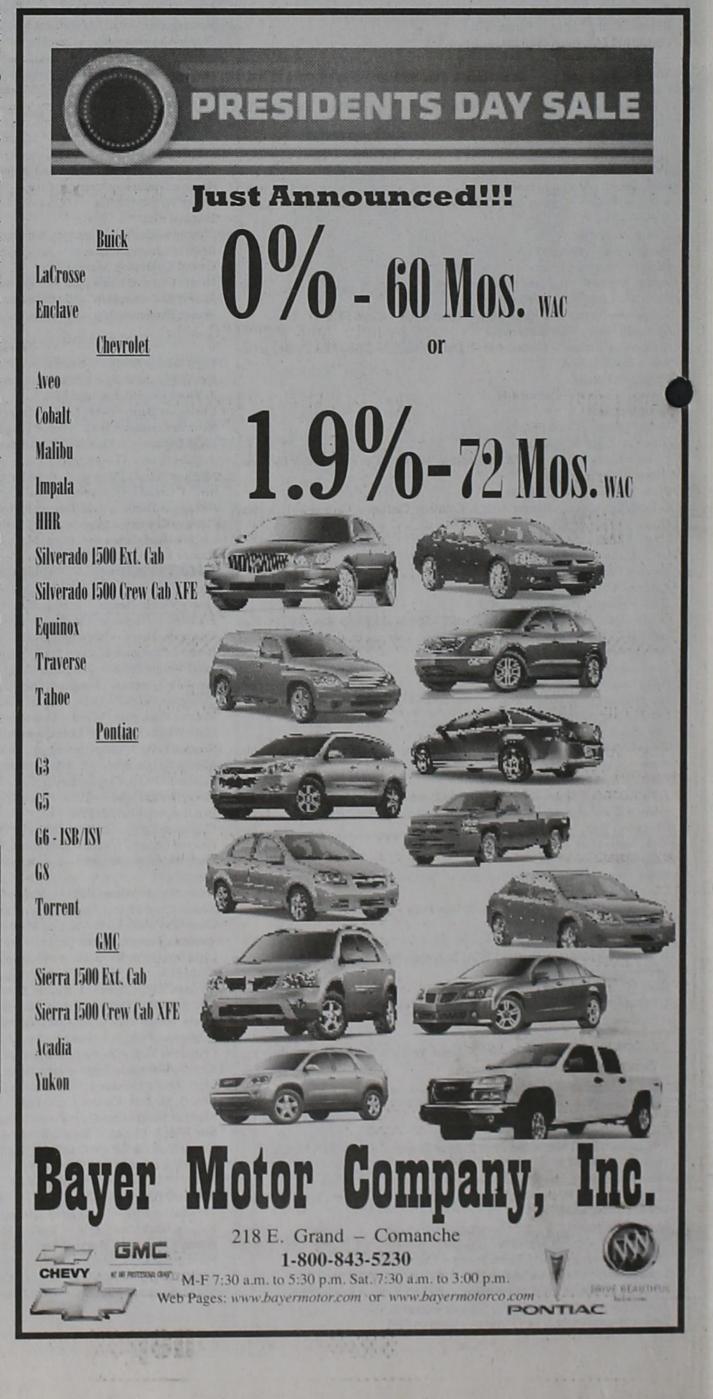
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