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T.J Warren Wins Reserve Grand Champion



T J Warren, placed Reserve Grand Champion at the West Texas Fair and Rodeo with his goat. T J is a junior at Gorman High School. His parents are Gregg and Donna Warren. T J also won Showmanship in the Senior Goat division. Way to go TJ!

BBQ Benefit To Help Beatrice Ramirez Raise Funds For Stem Cell Therapy

Our Church, Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church of Deleon is planning on having a fundraiser to help raise money for Beatrice to have the procedure done.

We will be having a BBQ dinner at the DeLeon City Hall on Saturday October 10th from 5:00 pm until 7:00 pm. The dinner will be by donation. We are asking the entire community to help us in this fundraiser for Beatrice Ramirez.

My name is Beatriz Ramirez and I am 26 years old. I am the daughter of Lionso and Yolanda Ramirez. I graduated from Tarleton State University in August of 2009 where I received a Bachelors degree in Social Work. I have been a member of Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic church in DeLeon from the day I was born.

May 27, 2004 was a life changing day for me. On that Thursday afternoon I became an incomplete paraplegic resulting from a car accident that severed my spinal cord. I was hospitalized for three months and was blessed with the best doctors and medical staff. My many blessings included my family, friends, and church family that have supported me every step of the way. Thanks to the many loved ones

at my side, I was able to overcome many obstacles that were to come as a result of my accident. In January, Stem cell therapy was mentioned to me and my curiosity began. After research, I me across success stories that happened to live in the area. I submitted my application to Stem Cell stitute in Costa Rica and have been accepted for treatment. Today, five years later, I believe God has opened a door that could lead to a road of recovery. I want nothing more that to become another success story and have the opportunity to walk again one day. This Bio was written by Beatrice Ramirez

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Gorman High School Band News

Friday night in Bosqueville was an experience all in its own league. The mosquitoes were dreadfully amazing. The band performed well and received several compliments, including compliments from Mr. Russell Fuller, a former band director at Gorman High School. The band is showing improvement each week. Way to go band! We are scheduled to perform in the BYOB (Bring Your Own Band) marching competition on Saturday. Our performance time is 12:50; however, we will be performing later than that due to the volleyball game in Albany. The band member of the week is Courtney Shirley. A big thanks to Courtney for all that she is contributing to the band this year. Jthjr77

MISSING CARBON HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES

If you know any of the people on the following list of names and how I might get in touch with them, please contact me, Linda Neeley, phone: 830-598-5613; email: lneeley47@yahoo or on the school website: www.carbonhighschoolreunion.org. Thank you for your assistance.

Missing Graduates: James Carter

Ande Cervantz, Raymond Clements, Vivian Cole, Audrey Collins, Tommy Cozart, Dwaine Millican Dool, Vici Dover, Johnnie Duggan, Lena Mae Eaves, Charles Edwards, Sharon Edwards, Teresa Fields, Becky Foster, Vernon Foster, Todd Fox, Dorothy Francis (Massangee), Deborah Garrett, Christine Gilbert, Don Gilbert.

2nd Annual BBQ Cookoff

The 2nd Annual BBQ Cookoff benefiting the Eastland County Fire Departments will be held on October 16 and 17 at La sioner's Court will meet in a Special Meeting at 8:30 a.m. On Mancha Lake Ranch at Lake Leon. Entry Fee for Beef Brisket, Thursday, October 1st in Eastland County Commissioner's Court-Pork Ribs and Chicken is \$75 for all or \$30 each. \$15.00 each for room, Eastland, Texas, to consider the following agenda items: Jackpot Beans and Chili. Fees are nonrefundable. Deadline for entries is October 16th. For more information call 254-647-3651 or email: lamancharanch@aol.com. (One Team Per Pit). Spon- Court. sors are still needed for this event. If interested the deadline is Friday, October 9th - contact 254-647-3651.

Lady Panther

The Lady Panthers played Volleyball games against Tolar - 25-17/25-11/25-21. The district record is 1 and 3 and overall record is 3-15. Kourtney Shirley had 2 kills, Alley Little had 3 digs, Kimi Seaton had 2 digs, 2 kills, 5 assists, 1 ace and 1 block; Jaime Johnston had 5 kills and 1 assist.

The Lady Panthers Volleyball team won against Lingleville 25-2/25-10/25-12. Kimi Seaton - 2 kills, 1 assist; Kourtney Bear - 2 kills; Jaime Johnston - 4 Kills - 1 assist; Abbey Pacheco - 1 kill and 1 ace; Rachel Tucker - 1 kill. The district record is now 2 - 3.

Gorman Oaklawn Cemetery

Anyone interested in care of Gorman Oaklawn Cemetery may make a donation to: Gorman Oaklawn Cemetery, C/O Mary Waller, 7726 CR 362, Desdemona, Tx 76445 or American State Bank, Gorman, Tx 76454. Your concern is appreciated, very much. Mary Walker - Treasurer

GORMAN BOSQUEVILLE covery and scored in 5 plays with Ben Burgess getting the final 32/240 Carries/Yds. 13/131 Yds Passing 3 of 13/2 Pass Cplt./Int 10 of 16/1 ries. Justin Little had 54 on 7. Ben Burgess got 31 on 7 and B. J.

Panthers Lose To Bulldogs;

Fumbles/Lost Punts/Avg. Penalties

GAME AT A GLANCE

The Panthers journeyed to Bosqueville on Friday night and got in a mosquito den and came out on the short end of a 55-13 score. The Big Red were down 27-0 at the end of the first quarter and trailed 48-7 at the halftime mark. Then the two teams wasted through the rest of the game with the Bulldogs getting 7 and the Panthers getting 6 points in the final quarter to make the score 55-

The Bulldogs showed why they deserve the high ranking when they took the opening kick and returned it for 85 yards. Perry booted the point after and the Bulldogs were up

Bosqueville held the Panthers on their first possession and took the punt on the Gorman 36 and threw a 29 yard pass to McCormick and then McCormick ran it in from the 7 for the score with 9:26 left in the period. The kick failed and the Bulldogs were up 13-0

The Bulldogs got another break on the next Panther possession getting the ball on the Gorman 35 on an interception. From there they scored in just 2 plays with the TD coming on with 7:30 left in the first. Perry booted the point after and the Bulldogs had a 20-0 lead.

Again the Bulldogs held the Panthers on downs and got the ball on the Gorman 42. They scored with 2:50 left in the period on a 13 yard pass. Perry kicked the point after and the Bulldogs held a 27-0 edge.

The Bulldogs got another score with 5:35 left in the second period capping an 80 yard drive when they scored on a 15 yard pass to McCormick. Perry's kick made the score 34-0.

The Panthers came right back to answer the Bulldog score when they took the ball on their own 27 and in one gigantic run by Tyler Johnson scored on a 73 yarder with 5:13 left. B.J. Ramirez added the point after and the score was

The Bulldogs came right back and went 69 yards in 2 plays with the score coming on an 8 yard run with 4:23 left. Perry added the point after and the Bulldogs led 41-7.

Bosqueville added another score with 14 seconds left in the half when they went 61 yards in 5 plays and scored on a 1 yard run. Perry made it 48-7 with the point after.

The halftime activities were long, but were enjoyed by the fans and Homecoming activities.

Following the half the Bulldogs held the Big Red on their next possession and got the ball on their own 41 and scored in one big explosion as Carpenter raced the 59 yards in one run with 9:09 left in the third. Again Perry added the point and the score was 55-7.

Notice Of Meeting

Notice is hereby given that Eastland County Commmis-

1. Bills, Claims, and Accounts

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Any of the above and foregoing agenda items, which require action, may be acted upon by the Commissioner's Court.

Gorman got the ball on their own 48 after a fumble re-1 yard with 11:55 left. The kick try failed. The final score was 55-13. The drive featured a 36 yard run by Justin Little.

Tyler Johnson led the Panthers with 142 yards on 9 car-Ramirez had 43 on 9 tries.

The Panthers have to travel again as they go to Archer City to take on the Wildcats. So lets all load up and follow the Panthers and show them our support.

Go Get 'Em Big Red



TRYING TO BREAK FREE - Tyler Johnson is shown trying to break free of several Bulldogs in game action Friday.



AROUND THE END - B. J. Ramirez is shown following his blockers in game action Friday. Blocking for B. J. are Tyler Johnston and Ben Burgess.

Correction - In last weeks paper I had put Jon Fenley as making a tackle with Cameron Clark, it should have been Jonathan Flores.

Then and Now Carbon

September 21, 2009

Linda Neeley, Chair, 2010 Carbon School Reunion

This is the second in a series of occasional articles about Carbon High School. Each school year all of the students looked forward to the publication of the yearbook, "The Sandstorm." When was the first edition published and where did it get its name? The 1986 Sandstorm staff decided to find out so they researched and published a history of the book which is reprinted here in its entirety:

THE SANDSTORM

HISTORY - Back in 1936, Mr. H. D. Thomason, Superintendent of Carbon Schools, decided that Carbon should have a school annual. Therefore, he put together a group of eight editors, and together with the rest of the seniors, they published the first edition of the Carbon annual.

Because of that, on a certain day in 1936, approximately thirty seniors gathered in a classroom with the purpose of naming the first annual. They "brainstormed" for quite some time, coming up with several different ideas, but nothing that they felt suitable for Carbon's first yearbook. Just when everyone felt like giving up, Arduth Black Been looked out the window at one of the worst sandstorms that can be remembered at Carbon. After viewing the blowing sand, she said to the class, "Why don't we call it the Sandstorm?" So they did!

The Sandstorm first opened up fifty years ago in 1936 during the celebration of Texas' centennial. Fifty years later, during Texas' sesquicentennial, the Sandstorm is still in business -better than ever.

One thing remains the same, however. The Sandstorm is still in operation today for the same reason it started in 1936. "For the purpose of preserving some of the memories of high school days which may fade from the mind's eye." (This quote comes from the 1936 school annual -- The Sandstorm.)

There were four more editions of The Sandstorm published after 1986 and each adhered to the purpose for which it was originally established. As the years pass, it is nice to turn though the pages and relive those fond memories.

The development of the Carbon School website continues at a steady pace. However, to complete the entry of all the data, I am still looking for the following issues: 1936, 1937, 1940, 1941, 1947, 1953, 1958, 1961, 1962, 1963, 1964, 1966, 1979, 1980, 1982 and 1983. I am also looking for any senior group pictures which were taken prior to the initial publication of the annual

If you would be kind enough to let me borrow any of the yearbooks or photos mentioned above, please contact me at 830-598-5613; email: lneeley47@yahoo.com; or on the school's website: www.carbonhighschoolreunion.org.

Your assistance is greatly appreciated.

DUE TO CARPET BEING INSTALLED, I WILL BE CLOSING MY OF-FICE ON FRIDAY OCTOBER 2ND AND WILL REOPEN AT 1:00 PM ON MONDAY, OCTOBER 5TH. I APOLOGIZE FOR ANY INCONVIENCE THIS MIGHT CUASE AND I APPRECIATE YOYUR UNDERSTANDING.

CATHY JENTHO, EASTLAND COUNTY CLERK

Gorman Lions Club -- BROOM AND MOP SALE 118 S. Kent Street in Gorman - Thursday - October 8th - 8 a.m. Please Come By To Support Our Club!

Lavelle Whitehorn

Lavelle Whitehorn, age 88 of Gorman, passed away Sunday September 27, 2009 at the Homestead Nursing & Rehab.

Graveside services was at 3:00 P. M. Monday at Murray Cemetery with Bro. Richard Watson officiating.

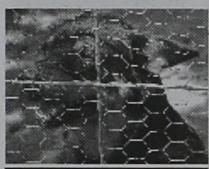
Mrs. Whitehorn was born February 5, 1921 in Eastland County to Asa Allen Craighead and Ruth Bennett Craighead. She married T. D. Whitehorn on July 3, 1937 in Eastland County. She was a member of the Baptist Church. She and her husband have been residing at the Homestead Nursing Home.

She is survived by her husband, T. D. Whitehorn of Gorman; daughter, Sylvia Estes of Fort Worth; son, Dr. Michael Whitehorn of Abilene; sister, Marie Cook of Gorman; five grandchildren and four great grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents and a brother, Doyle Craighead.

Gorman Children In Action

Firstfruits' children's program Children In Action meets every Monday at 6:30 pm providing the children of Gorman and surrounding areas fun, games, music, learning and more. With over fifty children attending and about twenty adults participating CIA is one of the biggest things happening in Gorman on Monday nights. At CIA children-learn how to be Agents for Christ, to be Children In Action wherever they are. At home, school, on the field, at the store every where they go they are Agents for Christ. For the past few weeks we have started to see these children step up and begin to live this out in a greater way. Some have begun to take action on Monday nights as well and are involved in presenting elements of the CIA service. Children are now involved in CIA Welcome, Agent Briefing, Agent Training, and CIA Praise. It is incredible to see these children take a mic and lead their peers to be Agents for Christ. We invite you to come and experience CIA for your self; you will have a great time. Oh, and bring your kids, they'll like it too. For more information or a ride call 734-3203

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AG VIEW POINT By: Heath Begeman

BULL SELECTION Soon it will be time to consider purchasing new bulls to replace some of the older ones across the state and ranchers that have not decided on a genetic strategy can be inundated with data. The first thing you should consider is why you have a bull. Is it to just produce calves? If so, then any bull will do as long as he is fertile and interested. If you are planning on improving your calf crop for market or replacements, then you have a little more work to do.

You will need to consider the genetics of your cowherd, especially for size and milk. Bos indicus cattle are and have been getting dinged for a lot of reasons, many unjustified. What they can bring to the cowherd is longevity, disease resistance, parasite tolerance, high heat and humidity adaptability, and reduced nutrient requirements. Even if you do not have these genetics in your cowherd, you can still get hybrid vigor for growth in your calves by using a bull of a different breed than your cows.

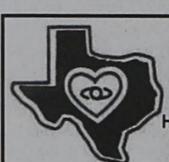
Most cow calf producers sell their calves at weaning so the most important trait to consider in a bull is growth, an actual or adjusted yearling weight or preferably a yearling weight EPD. This selection for yearling growth should be balanced by a birth weight or birth weight EPD to indicate calving ease (or a calving ease score or EPD). Heavy calves are important but they have to be born first. This is less important in mature cows than in heifers and less important in Bos indicus cross females than Bos taurus (straight bred or crossbred) cows. If some replacement heifers are to be saved, then size and milk production as well as calving ease are all important. Again having live calves is paramount but then they need to grow and the daughters need to milk. Bulls used to produce a few replacement heifers as well as market calves cannot be as extreme in size or growth potential as bulls selected to only produce market calves. Selection for increased scrotal circumference in young bulls will reduce the age at puberty in his offspring and may enhance fertility.

Bulls that are offered for sale will run the gamut of having every record conceivable to none. One record that is important to know is if the bull has passed a recent Breeding Soundness Exam performed by a competent veterinarian. The BSE will indicate that the bull is fertile and capable of breeding but not that he is interested. You should observe the bull checking heat and mounting cows to ensure that. Beyond that, you need to pay attention to those records (or traits with records) that make you money. Young bulls are often overlooked in our part of the country in favor of older bulls that are considered tougher and more developed. The genetics of younger bulls are just as good and are often better than the genetics of older bulls. Younger bulls have less development cost in them and not as picked over by other bull buyers and offer some

inexpensive but good genetic choices. Often younger bulls get turned out with older bulls and they get hurt or breed fewer cows than the dominant older bulls. If you plan on using younger bulls, consider letting them breed

in a group by themselves.

For more information or if you have questions, please contact Heath Begeman, County Extension Agent-Ag at the Texas AgriLife Extension Service Office at 629-1093.



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voir, close to pavement. \$2,500 Acre. NEW: S/E Gorman: 60 A, good sandy soil, some coastal, good fences, elec., nice pond

38 A M/L south Gorman: Fronts FM 679, about 10 A. large Pecan Trees, nice location for pond, good fences, sandy land. \$2,200 Acre - Seller Financing

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AMENDMENT TO ORDINANCE NO. 240 FIRE CODE

FIREWORKS: PROHIBITING THE USE IN THE CITY LIMITS OF GORMAN

NO PERSON SHALL SELL, USE, DISCHARGE OR IG-NITE ANY KIND OF FIRECRACKER, TORPEDO, MIS-SEL, OR OTHER DETONATOR WITHIN THE CITY LIM-ITS OF THE CITY OF GORMAN. THE ONLY LEGAL IGNITION OF FIREWORKS WITHIN THE CITY LIMITS OF GORMAN WILL BE SPECIAL PERMISSION GRAT-NED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF GORMAN THROUGH THE ISSUANCE OF A WRITTEN AND SIGNED PERMIT.

PERMITS MAY BE OBTAINED THROUGH THE CITY OFFICE AND APPROVED AT AN OPEN MEETING WITH COMMISSIONERS SIGNATURES ON THE PER-MIT.

PERMITS WILL SPECIFY A CERTAIN TIME FRAME, AND LOCATION WHERE THE USE OF FIRE-WORKS CAN BE DISPLAYED. THE TIME AND LOCA-TION WILL BE DETERMINED BY THE CITY COMMIS-SION.

THE COST OF THE PERMIT SET BY THE COM-MISSION WILL BE \$500.00.

THE CITY WILL ENFORCE A ZERO TOLER-ANCE FOR ANY ABUSE TO THIS ORDINANCE.

This amendment shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage an approval.

EAST END EDUCATION CO-OP JOB POSTING

East End Education Co-Op is looking for a JOB COACH for students with special needs. This is a full time position with regular school benefits. Cisco, Eastland, and Ranger are the school districts where this individual will probably be assigned. Responsibilities will include working with students to help them develop job skills that can be used after the student graduates from public school. Minimum requirements for this position are a High School diploma or equivalent. Experience working with special needs children is not required but preferred.

Applications may be picked up at the East End Education Co-Op in Gorman, 539 W. Roosevelt, mailed upon request (254-734-2020), or email bmadore@eastend.esc14. net for an application. Applications will be accepted until October 9, 2009. East End Education Co-Op is an equal opportunity employer. 2-10-8 C.

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This is 3rd &4th

Theyplayed

Grade Boys. on Monday Sept 21 @ 6pm The game was rain delayed until another day to complete. At the time of the rain and lightening delay the score was Cowboys 14 and Panthers 12. We are not sure yet when the game will be completed.

port the boys and girls. We are playing in

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Texas Comptroller Susan Combs is the featured speaker for the opening session. Headliner for the awards luncheon is Marcus Hill, President of Ag Workers Mutual, For complete details on solution seminar topics and speakers go to the Texas Midwest website at texasmidwest.org.

State agencies participating in the Info Expo include Texas Department of Rural Affairs (TDRA), Texas Department of Agriculture (TDA), Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts, Texas Parks & Wildlife (TPW) and Texas Water Development Board (TWDB). Also participating are USDA Rural Development, Small Business Development Center- Texas Tech. Big Country Area Health Education Center, Hendrick Health System, West Central Texas Council of Governments, Jacob & Martin Consulting Engineers, Levelfield.com, Social Media Expertz, Journal Communications and 2010 Census.

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Super Notes

By David K. Perry dperry@gorman.esc14.net

Our Panthers had a tough time down at Bosqueville, but they never stopped fighting. I am very proud of them and I appreciate the fans that were there to support them. I did not appreciate the mosquitoes! I've never seen mosquitoes so big or that many of them in one place. There were literally millions. The stock in repellant probably took a jump today due to sales increases Friday night. This Friday night we travel to Archer City. I hope you will support the Panthers with your presence!

Our volleyball team did not have any trouble with Lingleville Saturday. If you did not attend, you missed a three game shutout. The girls looked very good. Keep up the good work ladies! There next match is Saturday, October 3, 2009 in Albany. Last Monday I attended an Educational Summit in Abilene hosted by Representative Susan King. Senator Florence Shapiro, chair of the Senate Education Committee, was also there. I was encouraged to here that they appear to be receptive to the idea that we need a new graduation plan for those students that intend to pursue a career in the trades. Wouldn't that be great for rural schools across Texas? We'll see?

Considering some of the small towns we go to during the year, I was reflecting last week on how fortunate we are to have the local businesses here in Gorman that we do. How many towns our size have a bank, a doctor, a pharmacy, a nursing home, a florist, restaurants, a grocery store, two convenient stores, a newspaper, a huge antique store, and a great Feed Mill. These are just the places where you can buy things. There are other employers as well. We are really very blessed. Speaking of blessed, just look at the many churches from which we can choose. We also have great schools and great kids! Count your blessings! Focus on all the good things we have and you will realize that every day is a blessing and an opportunity to share your blessings with someone else! I hope you all have a wonderful week!

The Yearbook Staff has a number of 2009 Annuals left for sale. The cost of a book is \$35. If you are interested please let Mrs. Swanner or Mrs. Schaefer know if you see them in public or call the school at 734-2614 and leave a message.

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 sup-

Greenhand Camp Bradley Lipson, Algelena Perez, Tyson Underwood, and Seth Gibson



Four students from the Gorman Ag Science classes attended the Annual Geenhand Camp in Graham on the 22nd of September. These students watched a trick horse demonstration by Stuntman Dean Smith, and motivational speeches by former National FFA President Andy McCall, Former NFL player Jerry Overton and motivational speaker and retired PRCA calf roper Michael Johnson.

Pig Tales From Hogtown

It's that time again - 'Breakfast at the DAC' is Saturday, October 3rd. Join us for a delicious breakfast from 7:00A.M. until 10:00A.M. The cost is by donation.

On Friday, October 9th Johnny Johnson and the Memory-Makers will come to the DAC for our regular monthly second Friday dance. The music begins at 7:00P.M. The cost of admission

is \$5.00 per person. The concession stand opens at 6:00P.M The following week, on October 17th, Hogtown Hootenanny is coming to Desdemona!! We will have a craft show, barbeque, live music, games - something for everyone. The vendors coming for the craft show have fabulous items. Think Christmas! Come to the Hogtown Hoote-

nanny and start your Christmas shopping. You can rent the DAC for your holiday party - come and have a look.

> See you in Desdemona! Carol Pell

Major George B. Erath 2679 Chapter United Daughters of the Confederacy Set Charter



Major George B. Erath 2679 Chapter United Daughters of the Confederacy was chartered August 5, 2009 in Stephenville and will have a Chartering Ceremony on Sunday September 27th that will include installation of officers for this new chapter. Texas Frontier District Camp 1904 Sons of Confederate Veterans will assist with this event and will engage in a rifle salute and members will fire a cannon. The public is invited to the ceremony scheduled for 2:00 on Sunday afternoon at the Chapel on the Bosque, a part of the Stephenville Museum complex 552 East Washington in Stephenville. Photo curtisy DP Studios

Identification: Mary Frances Thompson, Marsha Gipson, Elizabeth Prater, Jennifer Robison, Judy Wolfe, Recording Secretary, Cam Emmons, Shela Brown, Alesa Hunt, Joy Rogers, Treasurer, Becky Bussey, 2nd Vice-President, Sussanne Rankin, Chaplain, Kaye Humberson, Sheran Weible, Recorder of Military Awards, Betty Leatherwood, Historian, Martha Shelton, 3rd Vice-President, Becky Farrar, Vice-President, Tonia McLellan, Rhonda Stanfield. First Row: Betty Culpepper, Ann Jay, Joyce Whitis, President, Linda Bowden, Registrar, Marilyn Ewers, Christina Whitis

Notes From Dr. Dan

A husband asks his wife if she wants him to bring her some ice cream. She says: Yes please...oh and add some sprinkles... and some chocolate syrup...oh, you better write it down. You know how bad your memory is. He replies that he can remember and sets out to get the ice cream. He returns with bacon and eggs and she says, "See! I TOLD YOU!!!" He says, what did I forget?" She says, "THE

Memory is a fleeting talent. We will all loose it to some degree if we live long enough. Dementia, on the other hand, is a disease and there are ways to help prevent it.

First, keep your mind active. Learning new things or doing crossword puzzles or other puzzles is very good for this. Keeping a notebook or electronic note pad is an excellent idea to keep yourself on track. Getting plenty of rest as well as exercise.

Avoid over eating to avoid obesity which zaps energy out of you every minute of every day. DON'T SMOKE!!!!!!!

Alzheimer's disease is one of the many forms of dementia. There is also multi-infarct dementia which is caused from repeated small strokes or traumas to the head like what Mohammed Ali, the boxer, has. Keeping your blood pressure under control is crucial to avoid this type of dementia. The previously mentioned practices can help keep your blood pressure lower as well.

Being around other people is very important as well as having your alone time. In short, balance out your life and don't just sit down in front of the T.V. Live and don't wither away. However, the very best way to help prevent dementia is to have a purpose in life. There are always those less fortunate than you and me that cold use help. To help someone else more often helps us more than those we are trying to help..., and don't forget the toast!

This article is not intended to be a substitute for medical care and consultation.

Happenings At FBC!!

Commit! Launch yourself into a life of true discipleship following Jesus, and serve Him as a committed believer.

Mark your calendars:

Oct. 10th - 8:00am - Brotherhood Breakfast - please come and delight in fellowship and fun! Children's Sermon: Rachel and Jaylon started with and exercise asking the children to stand up, pat their head, rub their tummy, march in place, sit, and stop. The more things you do the harder it becomes. The Bible tells us to follow God's commands. We get busy playing, watching TV, and participating in sports. No matter what show God love by obeying Him and keeping Him first!

Praise Band: We marvel at the talent of our Praise Band, and thank them for their commitment to praising God through music. Our spirits were stirred with Blessed Assurance and Amazing Love.

Bro. Barry's message: "Pain" - Hebrews 2:9-10 -

Many people in our Church Family live with pain every day of their lives. The small pain that Bro. Barry has experienced with his knee surgery made him feel sick to his stomach at times. Pain can get a hold on you and you can't seem to get free.

Does God Know Our Pain? Yes, without question, God absolutely knows our pain. Jesus tasted death so we could be saved from our pain. Current events have entail terrorist movements, destructive hurricanes, and domestic violence. Death separates the fallen from the

I. You will find God in the Storms of Life. - Jesus came to this earth as a man, flesh and blood, who was condemned and rejected so you would know that you are not alone in your

II. You will find God Among the Suffering. - How do people that pray to dead men, Mohammad or Buddha, and those that have no belief in God make it through their suffering? They don't escape their suffering; rather they live miserable and unhappy. Jesus is the face of a fellow sufferer, so you would know that you are not alone.

III. You will find God Among the Sorrowful. - Sorrow is heartbreaking. We often wonder why God would allow a young child to die. Perhaps it is because we are all God's lambs and we are not meant to be in the earthly flock for long, rather as children of God we are meant for His heavenly flock for all of eternity.

IV. You will find God Among the Sinners. – We all are sinners. We feel pain and sorrow in the midst of struggles. Jesus is blessed assurance that, whatever life's journey brings, we may know that we are never alone.

"There cannot be a God of love", people say, "because if there were, and He looked upon the world, His heart would break." The Church points to the Cross and says, "God's heart did break."

We serve an awesome God, He died for you and He lives for you. God's word promises to help you, God is your friend, and Jesus died and feels your pain so you may know you are not alone!

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

Town Hall Meeting for the Gorman Housing Authority will be October 6, 2009 at 2 p.m. The Meeting will be at the Housing Authority Hotel Assembly Room

Desdemona News

By Vonnie Guthery

"Desdemona Monthly Musical" was held last Saturday night at the Community Center (former school building). Several musical groups attended. They presented a lot of Country and Western music with some bluegrass and gospel included. We appreciate all these musical groups and singers each month. We appreciate the ladies of our Community that donate food each month to the Concession Stand. It takes each and everyone doing their part to keep our Community going strong.

Robert Alton Brown of Fort Worth visited last Sunday with his parents, Robert and Ima

"HAPPY ANNIVERSARY" to Bernard and Ann Keith from Pug and Vonnie Guthery of Desdemona and Avie Taylor of De Leon. They celebrated 58 years together on Tuesday, September 29th in the big city of "Hogtown".

John and Ronda James and daughter, Emily Whitney visited last Saturday with her parents, Humpy and Betty Duke.

"HAPPY BIRTHDAY" to our great grandson, Justin Hornback in Desdemona from Granny Coon and Granke Guthery. Justin celebrated his 4th birthday on Tuesday, September 29th with family and friends.

Remember the sick and shut-ins of our Community with your cards and prayers Have a great day, Vonnie.

Senior Citizens News

By Carol Ward

Our numbers keep getting smaller. We only had 18 people come out for dinner on the 23rd of September. So many are on vacations or ill. Some just don't come anymore, lost interest. We always enjoy a good time with visiting and home cooked food. I do hope some of our regulars will return soon. Estelle Lindley gave the blessing for us all. I really appreciate her and she also brought a delicious homemade banana pudding.

Our meal was great with baked pork in mushroom sauce, baked chicken wings, mashed potatoes, creamed corn, peas and carrots, green salad and pinto beans. Our desserts were low again with banana pudding, pound cake and fruit salad in cream cheese sauce. Also our usual cornbread and Betty Regian's good wheat rolls. Daisy Slaton doing well after her cataract surgery. Shes out driving and going plac-

es again. Anne Laminack has had dental work, so we have missed her being here. Ann Maxfield much improved in her pain management for her back. Maybe they can be back with us It was good to have Jill Rainey here to eat with us. Also I know Martha Rainey enjoys

having her daughter here for lunch. They had a short rest from Ethan, Jill's son, where they could eat in peace and quiet. Ha!!

We are going out to eat on October 1st at 5 p.m. to our restaurant - ZJ's. Maybe more will come out as we don't have to drive far. Hopefully word of mouth will spread, as there have been so few in attendance.

Our Thursday game night has just about come to an end. Only two folks were at the Center on the 24th at 5 p.m. Daisy Slaton and Ellen Parker, enjoyed playing Skipbo. I intended to go, but had too many aches and pain to sit long. I've been having problems with my heel and hip. I do miss playing.

I did go watch my grandson Tyson Swanner play football in Early for HPU in Brownwood. The JV plays at Early's new field on Mondays at 6 p.m. He did well at quarterback and they beat McMurry from Abilene. It was a beautiful evening on the 28th. Also my hip started hurting, sitting on bleachers. YUCK!!!

Hope all is well and see you soon. Carol

4-H NEWS - Eastland County's 4-H Members Planning Big "THANK YOU" to Community

Eastland County 4-H Clubs are organizing a "One Day 4-H" Community Service Event in gratitude for the support they have received from local people for many years. An estimated 500 4-H members and other volunteers will be cleaning parks, picking up litter, planting trees on the courthouse square, and helping elderly residents with chores and fix-up around their homes. All day Saturday, October 10th from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. is the date for this event. The event coincides with a statewide "thank you" that Texas 4-H is offering on the same day in every county in Texas.

Texas 4-H marked its 100th anniversary last year and is conducting community service projects across the state. This is a way for 4-H to show gratitude for the many years of support the organization has received from parents, volunteers, and neighbors. Carbon 4-H will be picking up trash at the Eastland School. Rising Star 4-H will be planting flowers at the school. All clubs will also be passing out water to the participants in the Old Rip Fun Run/Walk.

For more information about 4-H and how to join, please contact the Eastland Texas AgriLife Extension Service Office

otfooters 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).

DRUG DEALER GETS 32 YEARS

This past week, twelve citizens of this county, sitting as jurors in the 91st District Court, convicted KEENE WESLEY HUNTER, formerly of Garland, with the offense of Possession of Controlled Substance with Intent to Deliver: Cocaine, More than 4 grams but less than 200 grams. Jury selection was held on Friday, September 11, 2009 and testimony was heard September 17-18.

Four DPS Troopers, including a narcotics agent, testified during the trial. Closing arguments were presented to the jury on September 18th and the jury returned a guilty verdict approximately 35 minutes later. The punishment stage of the trial began later than morning and Judge Steven R. Hero'd sentenced Hunter to 32 years confinement in the Institutional Division of the Texas Department of Criminal Justice.

Hunter was a repeat felony offender having previously been convicted of Possession of a Controlled Substance: Cocaine, Aggravated Assault and Unlawful Possession of a Firearm in 1996. Because the Criminal District Attorney's Office had enhanced the first degree felony charge with his prior convictions, Hunter had faced a minimum sentence of 15 years.

The case stemmed from a May 17, 2005 stop on Interstate 20 by DPS Troopers on routine patrol. The Troopers had spotted Hunter's vehicle with what appeared to be illegal window tint. When the Troopers turned around on him, Hunter's vehicle exited abruptly off of the Interstate and headed for the gas pumps at the Red Star Truck Stop. Due to Hunter's evasive driving and nervousness at the scene, the Troopers suspected that criminal activity was occurring. During a patdown search for the Trooper's safety, it was discovered that Hunter's passenger had approximately 122 grams of cocaine in his pocket. A set of electronic scales used for weighing narcotics was found in the driver side door of Hunter's vehicle and Hunter had \$4,400 in drug proceeds on his person. During closing arguments, Criminal District Attorney Russ Thomason argued that the cash in Hunter's pockets and the electronic scales tied him directly to the narcotics in his passenger's pockets.

Russell Wilson II of Dallas represented Hunter at trial with Thomason prosecuting. The Honorable Judge Steven R. Herod presided during the trial.

SCHOOL MENU Week of Sept. 27 thru Oct. 2 BREAKFAST

MONDAY - Cereal, biscuit, juice and milk TUESDAY - Cinnamon Rolls, Juice and Milk WEDNESDAY - Cinnamon Toast, Fruit, Juice and Milk. THURSDAY - not available at press time. FRIDAY - not available at press time.

LUNCH

MONDAY - Chicken and Dumplings, lasagna, tossed salad, fresh carrots, fruit, crackers and milk. TUESDAY - Meat loaf, chicken rings, cream potatoes, corn nuggets, gravy, rolls spice cake and

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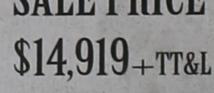


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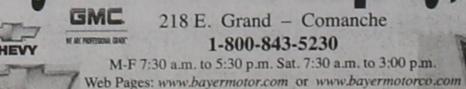


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