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Wayne Bradford Seeks Re-Election As Sheriff

My name is Wayne Bradford and I am seeking re-election as Sheriff of Eastland County. I am an Eastland County native, born in Ranger. I am a former Department of Public Safety Trooper and have served as your Sheriff since 1997.

Since being elected Sheriff in 1997, I have devoted my time to the service of God through my church, First Baptist Church in Ranger, my family and my job as your Sheriff. My wife Jerri and I have been married 36 years and have two grown daughters, two sons-in-law and two precious grandsons.

I first joined the Sheriff's Office in 1994 as a jailer. I served as jail administrator, then deputy, civil/warrants deputy and chief deputy. The Sheriff's job is diversified and requires experience and training in several areas. I believe I am uniquely qualified based on my experience and training in each of these areas. I have attained a master peace officer license along with numerous other certificates and thousands of hours of training.

When I first became your Sheriff, I was also still farming, ranching and owned a small business in Ranger. I quickly became aware that all my attention was needed in the job of Sheriff. I sold my business and my cattle and leased my land. For many years now I have been solely concentrated on being your Sheriff. I love the job and look forward to many more years in that position. I am in the office almost every day, seven days a week, and I am constantly endeavoring to improve my service to you. The Sheriff's Office has many aspects which I am constantly monitoring. I personally write all purchase orders for all expenditures in my two budgets which are currently over \$1.5 million. I keep in close contact with my deputies on their investigations. Praise and guidance are always part of my job.

My door is always open to the citizens of Eastland County. If you have a problem, my staff and I are ready and willing to help you. My home phone has never been unlisted and I have no plans to change that.

When I first ran for Sheriff in 1996, my campaign slogan was that I was “the right man for the job”. I believe that given my experience and qualifications, I am still the right man for the job.

It has been an honor and my privilege to serve the citizens of Eastland County as Sheriff since 1997. I appreciate the support I have been shown and ask for your vote in General Election on November 4th.

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Panthers Stun Bulldogs 42-3; Travel To Tolar Friday

GAME AT A GLANCE		
Gorman		Ranger
11	First Downs	14
25/303	Carries/yds.	31/188
-7	Passing Yds.	45
1 of 5/0	Complete/Int.	4 of 11/0
3/43	Punts/Avg.	4/39
1/0	Fumbles/Lost	3/2
3/25	Penalties	9/100

The Panthers started slow when they hosted the Ranger Bulldogs Friday night at Brogdon Field. They were held on their first 2 possessions by a tough Bulldog defense, but came alive on their third possession and scored 3 TD's in the second for a 21-3 score at the half. They added 14 in the third and 7 in the fourth while the Big Red Defense did a good job of holding the Bulldogs to only 3 points.

The Bulldogs came out ready to play and scored on their first possession, on a long drive before being held on defense at the Gorman 15 and kicked a 30 yard field goal with 4:52 left in the first period by T. J. Schaefer.

The first score for the Panthers came with 11:22 left in the second period when Tyson Swanner broke loose up the middle and raced 56 yards for the TD on a beautiful run. Swanner added the point after and Gorman led 7-3. The drive featured runs of 9 and 6 by Underwood before Swanner's run.

The Big Red defense stopped the Bulldogs after another long drive and got the ball on their own 45. Then on another brilliant run, Swanner shocked the Bulldog defense, breaking loose up the middle and galloped 55 yards for the score with 2:10 left in the half. Swanner added the point after and Gorman was up 14-3.

On the next Ranger possession, the Big Red defense came up with a fumble recovery on the Bulldog 20. Then in one big blast Underwood rambled the 20 yards in one play with 2:00 minutes left in the half. Swanner added the point after and Gorman enjoyed a 21-3 margin at intermission.

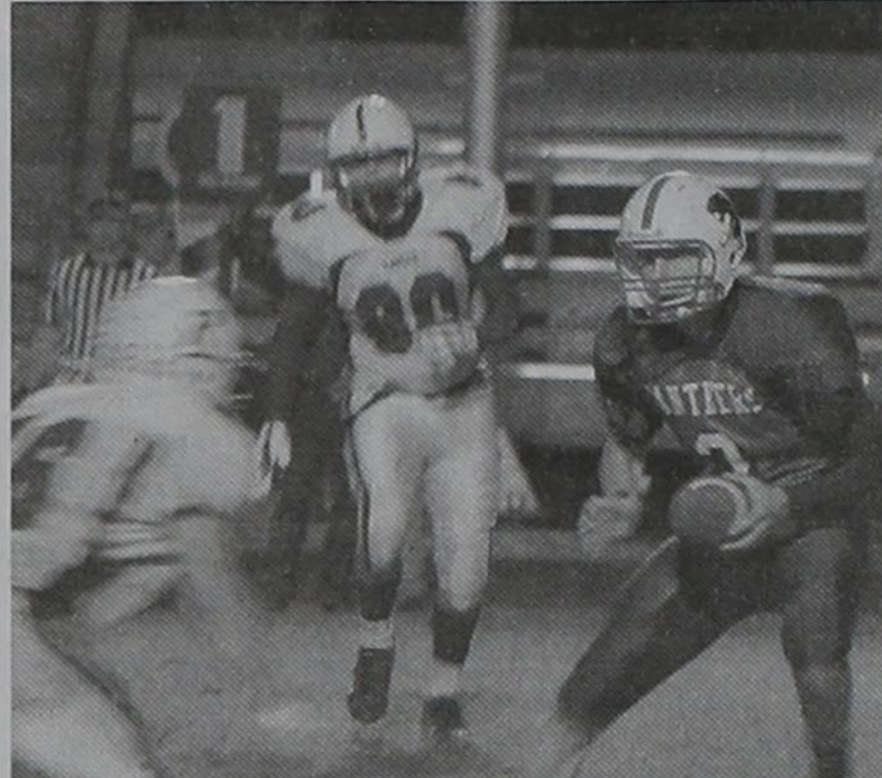
Both bands did a great job at the intermission performing their routines they were to perform at the Band Contests.

On the next Ranger possession following the half the Bulldogs gave the Panthers the ball on the Bulldog 18 on a fumble. From there the Panthers scored in just 2 plays with Underwood getting the final 5 yards on a run with 11:34 left in the third. The drive was aided by a Ranger penalty. Swanner added the point after and Gorman was up 28-3.

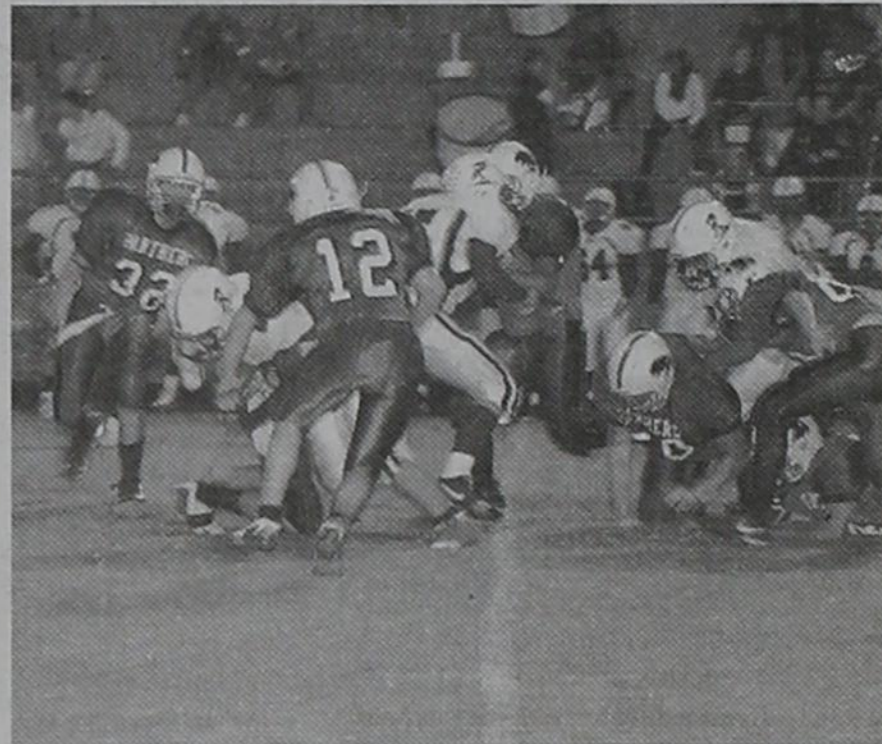
Notice

The Eastland County Clerk's Office will be closed due to the Elections on Tuesday, November 4, 2008 and will reopen on Wednesday, November 5th at Noon.

Thank you for your consideration, Cathy Jenitho, County Clerk.



FACE TO FACE – Tyson Swanner is about to break free in game action Friday against Ranger Bulldogs.



SHORT YARDAGE – Ben Burgess and Keifer Wilson along with several other Panthers are shown stopping a Bulldog for short yardage in game action Friday. (Photos by Becky Swanner)

The Panthers held the Bulldogs on their next possession and got the ball on the Bulldog 37. Following another beautiful 32 yard scamper by Swanner, Underwood scored from 5 yards out with 8:52 left in the third. Swanner booted the point after and the score rose to 35-3.

Gorman scored again with 4:34 left in the final period when they moved 41 yards in 7 plays with Underwood getting the honors on a 2 yard run. Swanner added the point after and the final score was 42-3. The drive featured runs of 6, 22, 10, 3 and 20 by Underwood and a 5 yard keeper by Swanner.

Swanner led the Panthers with 158 yards on 7 carries. Underwood ran for 123 on 14 tries. Trevor Williams carried 4 times for 27.

The Panthers travel to Tolar Friday night and will need another outstanding game for a victory as the Rattlers always play the Panthers a tough game. Game time is 7:30 and the Panther fans will want to follow them to Tolar and support the Panthers to an important District Contest.

Go Get 'Em Big Red!!

Senior Travel Club

Fall Festival at Gorman City Park on October 25th from 3 to 6 p.m. Jospifinas - Junior Class; NaNa's Goodies - Sophomore Class. Come - Join us - Booth Space Available. Haunted Lake and Hay Ride, Saturday, November 1st - begins at City Park - Hosted by Senior Travel Club.

If any organization or class would like a Booth (\$20). Contact Julie Clark at 734-2257 or Keri Guthery at 631-2708.

ITEMS OF INTEREST

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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



Monday October 20th the Student Council of Gorman High School had a fund raiser to benefit the victims of Hurricane Ike. Three staff members were nominated to raise money last week by collecting their loose change in a jar for this event. The teacher/principle who raised the most money would then be duct taped to the flag pole during the lunch hour. Our winner was non other than Mr. Panter, High School Principle. The students then had the opportunity to sign the duct tape for a one dollar donation. The Student Council raised \$130.65 for this project. (Mr. Panter you were a great sport and we appreciate your participation for this worthy cause.) Article submitted by Kimi Seaton, Vice President Gorman Student Council.

Panther Blankets

These fleece blankets are red with a Gorman Panthers logo on them. They easily fold with the attached Velcro closure. Also has an attached handle for easy carrying. The cost for the blankets are \$20.

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

Spirited House

The Gorman First United Methodist Church will be hosting it's annual Spirited House on November 1st beginning at 5:00 pm. We will be serving corn dogs, chips and drinks. You may eat at the church or get yours to go. Our bathrooms are available for pit stops that night during trick or treating. We also will have a first aid station for those little "bumps" that occur that night.

This is FREE to everyone. Be sure and come by and have supper on us!!!

Roster Shirts - Hoodies Still Available

I have a few of the roster shirts that haven't been picked up and I am willing to sell them. There are some hoodies, short sleeve and long sleeve. The sizes are XL, XXL or XXXL and youth medium.

Becky

Gorman Homecoming Senior 1988 - 20-Year Reunion

Friday, October 31, 2008

Gorman Homecoming Football Game -- 7:30 p.m. @ GHS Stadium

Saturday, November 1, 2008

Family BBQ: 11:30 a.m. @ Melissa Osborne's on Scurry Street

Saturday, November 1, 2008

Class Dinner: 6:30 p.m. @ ZJ's Downtown Gorman

Please RSVP to Christian @ 469-855-4345 or c_h_ruiz@yahoo.com

Note: Gorman will be Trick-or-treating on Saturday Night

Polling Places Named For Nov. 4th

To the registered voters of the County of Eastland, polling places listed below with be open 7 a.m. To 7 p.m. On November 4th for voting in the General Election to elect President, Members of Congress, Members of the Legislature, and state, district, county and precinct officers.

Prec. 1 - County Courthouse; Prec. 2 - Olden Community Center; Prec. 3 - Ranger Community Center; Precinct 4 - Desdemona Community Center; Precinct 5 - Gorman Senior Citizens Center; Precinct 6 - Carbon Community Center; Precinct 7 - Higginbotham Center - Rising Star; Precinct 8 - American State Bank Community Room, Cisco; and Precinct 9 - Lake Leon Baptist Church. Early voting will take place at Eastland County Courthouse beginning Oct. 20 between the hours of 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. and ends on Oct. 31st.

NEW AT THE LIBRARY THIS WEEK!

We have lots of new books again this week! Come by and peruse a huge selection of Nora Roberts writing as J.D Robb. Also, we have the newly popular, The Shack by William P. Young. COME BY AND "CHECK IT OUT"

LAKESIDE LADIES TO HOST TWO GUYS & ONE DOLL GOLF TOURNAMENT

Eastland--The Eastland Lakeside Golf Course Ladies Association will be hosting their annual 18 hole Two Guys and One Doll Golf Scramble on Saturday, October 25th, 2008. Tee off time is 1:30 p.m. The cost is \$120.00/team (\$40/person) which includes a meal following play. Cart and Mulligans are extra.

Friday evening activities begin around 6:00 p.m. with Happy Hour and appetizers followed by a Glow Ball Chipping and Putting contest! Come join us for lots of fun!

Call the clubhouse at 254-629-2892 to sign up or for more information. Lakeside Golf Course is located at 209 CR 157 in Eastland, 76448.

Letter To The Editor

October 15, 2008
Dear Gorman Progress:
Please find enclosed a check to renew my family's subscription to your paper. I am the third generation to subscribe going back, I believe, for most of its 108 years.
My Dad who passed away earlier this year at the age of 93 took the paper for as long as I can remember. He had remarked to me that his father had read it for as long as he could remember. My grandfather, J. N. Watson lived in Gorman until he passed away in 1958 and my father, E. C. Watson (Elmer Watson) kept close ties to the community and kept in touch in part by reading the Gorman Progress.
I would like to keep that tradition going by renewing my Dad's subscription in my name. I still have some family in that area and I enjoy reading about Gorman.
Sincerely,
Carl Watson (s)

Comanche Electric Cooperative To Host Forum

On November 19th, Comanche Electric Cooperative will be hosting its annual S.O.S (System of Service) Program for High School Juniors. The S.O.S. Program, formerly known as the John Ben Shepperd Leadership Forum, is a joint effort of Comanche Electric Cooperative and the University of Texas at Permian Basin. This Forum prepares students to "think outside the box" and develop unique and workable solutions to day to day problems. It teaches practical information and skills to students with leadership potential. It is interactive, entertaining, and educational. The experiences, skills and techniques of successful business, political and civic leader are combined with the ambition and idealism of students for a sound System of Service. Students with diverse backgrounds are not only introduced to current and future leaders, but are also given a networking opportunity with students of similar backgrounds.
If you have a student who is a junior in high school and has leadership potential, and if that student would be interested in our program, please have them contact their school counselor or principal, or contact Shirley at the Comanche Electric Cooperative office at 325-356-2533 or 1-800-915-2533, or by email at sdukes@ceca.coop before October 24th.

Classifieds

HELP WANTED - LVN's \$16.75 Hr - CNA's \$9.95 - Weeken RN - \$20.00. Please apply in person to Bell Spencer RN, DON at De Leon Nursing and Rehab, 809 E. Navarro in De Leon. 2-10-30 C.

FOR SALE: Nice house, brick, big corner lot, 2 bdrm, 1 bath, w/ fridge, microwave, utility room, good well and septic tank, attached carport, small detached storage building, pecan trees. By owner, Desdemona. 254-758-2272. ITC

THREE FAMILY GARAGE SALE: Saturday, Oct. 25th - 8 til ?? 115 S. Briscoe by City Park in Gorman. Clothes - all sizes; kid's brand name clothes, toys, lots of other good stuff; too much to mention. ITC
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Obituary

Vernon Smith

GRANBURY -- Vernon Smith, 81, a retired postal worker, passed away Monday, Oct. 6, 2008, in Granbury.
Funeral: 11:00 a.m. Saturday at Wiley Funeral Home. Burial: Acton Cemetery. Visitation: 6 to 8 p.m. Friday at the funeral home.
Memorials: St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, Tennessee 38105.
Mr. Smith was born Aug. 28, 1927, in Chapman Ranch, Texas, to Worth Rockett Smith and Angeline Sophrenia Smith. He married Mary Ruth Finley, June 12, 1982, in DeSoto, Texas. He served in the US Air Force during World War II and the Korean War. Vernon served on the Menard, Texas volunteer fire department, loved to fish and was an avid Dallas Cowboy fan. After retirement Vernon hung garage doors until he was 78 for Vermur Garage Doors. He was preceded in death by his parents; sisters, Mary Vieve Reed, Edith Lynell Everett, Wanda Lee Degal; brothers, Harley B. Smith, Marion Worth Smith.
Survivors: Wife, Mary Smith of Granbury; children, Dr. and Mrs. Charles Brooks Smith of Granbury; Stephen L. and Shannon Smith of Marion, Texas, Cheri Ann and Eddie Trammell of Granbury; twelve grandchildren; three great grandchildren; sister, Bernice Ruth Ellis of Joshua; extended family and many friends.

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 - 320±A, on Turkey Creek, creek, wildlife cover, tanks, well, hunting [ET01] \$880,000
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 - 243 A, reservoir, wells, irrig.pit, on hwy., cultivation, golder, pasture [AB01] \$2,500/acre
 - 236±A, wells, tanks, rolling terrain, minerals available, hunting [DS02] \$2,195/acre
 - 231 A, on Leon River, wells, pecan trees, hunting SOLD [DK01] \$665,280
 - 81 A, Pecan Orchard, 900± improved variety, underground irrig, wells [REM01] \$405,000
 - 52 A, 4-3 Brick Home, carport, wells, tanks, corrals, barns [LP01] \$239,500
 - 51 A, highway frontage, spring creek and hunting [RP01] \$182,000
 - 45 A, 7 irrig. wells & pit, buried mainline w/risers, minerals available [NF01] \$2,500/ Acre
 - 30 A, 3-2½ Custom Home, garage, porch, shed/shop, barn, wells, tanks [DB01] \$450,000
 - 25.6 A, 4-2½ Brick Home, garage, carport, storage bldgs, well, tanks [JB03] \$210,000
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156 A. Carbon, 1/2 wooded - 1/2 fields, deer, turkey, 3 ponds, nice 2 - 2 mh, central a/C, barn, corral, county water. \$4,000 acre.
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Pig Tales From Hogtown

Good News! We have a band for the upcoming dance. 'Johnny Johnson and the Memory Makers' from Weatherford will play for us. I believe this band has played in Stephenville so some of you might know them. Polish up your dancing shoes, grab your partner and come to Desdemona. The dance will be October 30th with the concession stand opening at 5:30. The band will start at 6:00 and play until 9:30. The cost to get in is \$4.00 a person. Since it is the Halloween season, you might see some goblins in the crowd. Wear your Halloween costumes if you would like. Y'all come!

'Breakfast at the DAC' will be November 1st from 7:00 A.M. until 10:00 A.M. Hope to see you there.

We will have tickets at the dance and at breakfast for the drawing for the Ruger Rifle that we will be giving away on December 6th. Tickets are \$2.00 each or 3 for \$5.00.

Stop in at the Library inside the DAC and see the new children's books that we have. There are some good ones for elementary age children. We also have some wonderful magazines.

Hope the folks who took the campaign sign from our gate are enjoying it. It was taken with great care so I assume that you wanted it for display and that was what it was intended for so it's serving its purpose. This has been an ugly campaign but you know what - we all will survive whoever becomes President. We have had good ones and bad ones before. The important thing for us to do is VOTE. Spend some time thinking about what is important to you and which candidate fits your needs. Think, also, about those running for the Senate and the House of Representatives. Have they done a good job these last few years? If not, vote them out - that is our power as voters.

See you in Desdemona!
Carol Pell

Happenings At FBC!!

Measureless! The love of God is measureless, and will be found faithful in getting you through the struggles of life!

Mark your calendars:

- October 31st - Fifth Quarter at FBC.
- November 3rd - CBA Annual Meeting.
- November 9th - 11:00am - Cross Country Band in Concert.
- November 9th - Youth Spaghetti Lunch.
- November 15th - Church Wide Garage Sale and proceeds will benefit Youth Group.
- December 6th - 2:00pm - Save the Date! - Bro. Barry and Sharlene's Open House.

Sunday School is a marvelous opportunity to grow in God's Word, and you are invited to attend every Sunday morning at 9:45am. Please call the Church Office for details.

The response to Gary Mauney's challenge was fantastic! There was pink everywhere in honor of Breast Cancer Awareness month. The reality is that Cancer has affected everybody in one way or another, and we continue to lift these concerns up to God in prayer.

Liz Caraway's Children Sermon: Best Friends are great! Liz's best friends are Shane and Veronica. The alcon blue butterfly has an unlikely best friend, the red ant. Red ants typically eat butterflies in the cocoon. However, the red ant adopts this breed of alcon blue butterflies and protects it until it hatches and flies away. The Bible tells us to carry each other's burdens, and when we help one another as human beings we fulfill God's work.

Bro. Barry's message was "Arm Chair Christianity" - 1 John 1:1-2.

Tyson Swanner, Drew McCreless, and Kiefer Wilson demonstrated passing and catching the football.

Bro. Barry explained that these young men are the participants in the passing and catching, and he was the observer. Many of us are merely observers in our Christianity, and not actual participants. See, Feel, and Hear the Word of Life!

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3. Personal Testimony (verse 2-4) - Knowing Jesus and the changes He makes in your life gives you something good to tell others.

Get Out of the Chair! You need to meet Jesus. Believe, experience, and Share!

Our Worship Service begins at 11:00AM on Sunday mornings - please come and join us!

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

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

Used Book Sale

The Eastland County Historical Commission, a non-profit organization, is sponsoring their 5th annual used book sale beginning Saturday, October 25th at 10:30 a.m. At the Eastland County Museum (former Eastland National Bank building), 114 South Seaman Street in Eastland. The sale will be open to the public during regular museum hours: Tuesday through Thursday, 10:30 a.m. To 4 p.m.

And Friday and Saturday from 10:30 a.m. To 2:30 p.m. And will run through Saturday, November 29th.

All types of books will be included in the sale, including many categories of fiction. Most of the books will be separated in categories and alphabetized by author. There will be literally thousands of used books to be found at the sale.

A few new books will be included, generally of a historic nature. In addition to the books, there will be a few video tapes, sheet music, record and games. Most of the items have been donated by the general public.

Book prices are considered very conservative. Proceeds from the sale will go toward projects of the local Historical Commission, including the ongoing oral history collection.

Additional information may be obtained from Commission Chairman: Ed Allcorn at 254-629-3600, extension 1, or majestic@txol.net

UMC Announces

ESL Classes

Que/WHAT: English as Second Language classes Plus Citizenship and Voter Registration upon request

Quando/WHEN: Monday nights - October 20 thru December 22
Tiempo/TIME: 7:00 to 9:00 p.m.
Donde/WHERE: Gorman United Methodist Church - 303 W. Roberts

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

For more information please contact Suzan Lipson at 254-734-4305.

Halloween Costume Parade and Trick or Treat Set For Saturday

Well, it is that time once again...Halloween Costume Parade time. I have done a lot of thinking on what to do about this years parade.

Since Halloween is on a Friday night this year, and it is also a home football game which happens to be the Homecoming Game, I am very concerned about the extra traffic that will be in town that night. So for the first time in the Halloween Costume Parade history, I am changing the parade to Saturday night, Nov. 1. The Annual Halloween Costume Parade will be held on Sat. Nov. 1.

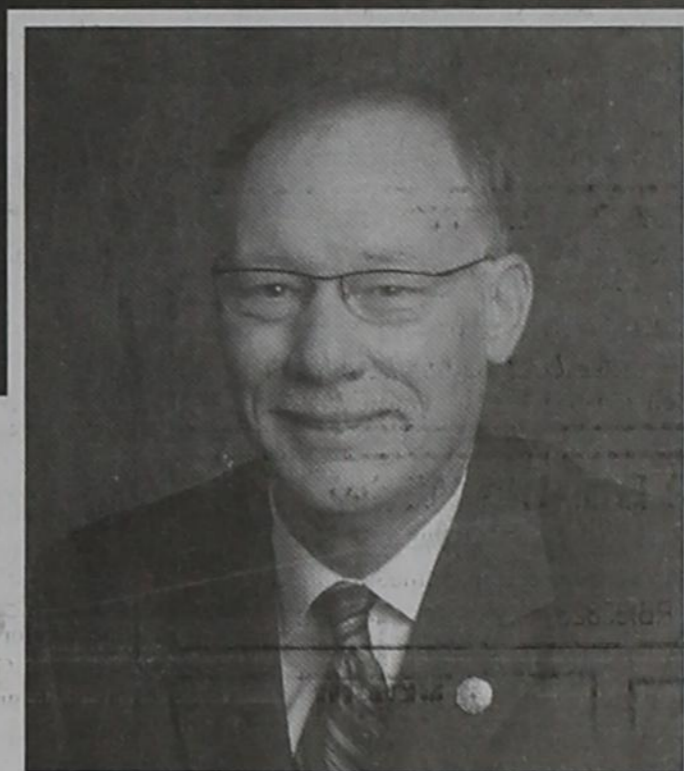
Everyone is to Trick or Treat on that Night. NO TRICK OR TREAT IN GORMAN ON HALLOWEEN NIGHT.

I would appreciate everyone letting me know how you feel about this. You can e-mail me at jandismith@yahoo.com, or call 734-2720 and leave a message.

Thanks, Ina Smith

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ASB BRINGS HOME NATIONAL FINANCIAL MARKETING AWARD

LUBBOCK - American State Bank has been recognized for their recent marketing campaigns. The American Bankers Association awarded the First Place honor to ASB in the 2008 Financial Marketing Awards, Diversity category. Silver and Bronze Eagle Marketing Campaign awards were received from the Independent Bankers Association of Texas in the 2008 Best of Community Banking Awards.

The ABA's award is one of the nation's most prestigious honors for financial marketing. The Hispanic Marketing Campaign, which received the First Place honor, consisted of a combination of brand and product advertising. Presented in English and in Spanish, this campaign was developed to reach a more broad Hispanic audience. A panel of financial service marketers and advertising professionals across the country judged each entry based on execution of the communications strategy, message and positioning, as well as the campaign's overall results.

The Best of Community Banking Silver Eagle Award presented by IBAT recognized ASB's 2008 Hispanic Marketing Campaign. This campaign emphasized the significance of family pride as a benefit of higher education. Through a relationship with ASB, Hispanic consumers are provided products designed to help them experience "the good life."

"Recognition of our recent Hispanic advertising campaigns serves as a reminder that how we deliver our message is as important as having the right people in place to deliver our products and services," said W.R. Collier, President of American State Bank.

Desdemona News By Vonnie Guthery

Desdemona Monthly Musical will be held on Saturday night, October 25th at the Community Center ("Ole" School Building). The concession stand will open at 5:30 p.m. serving sandwiches, homemade pie and drinks. Come early to enjoy supper with all of the group before the music program begins at 6:00 p.m. All area musicians, singers and visitors are welcome to attend. This is a "SMOKE FREE" environment and the admission is "FREE".

Thanksgiving Supper will be held on Saturday, November 8th at the Desdemona Community Center ("ole" School Building). Turkey and dressing with all the trimmings will be served starting at 5:30 p.m. All proceeds go to much needed repairs on the "Ole" School Building. Your support will be appreciated.

Please contact this reporter with your weekly news. Your help will be appreciated. Thanks and Have a Great Day, Coon.

Senior Citizens News By Carol Ward

There were 23 of us here to enjoy the fellowship during our weekly dinner on the 15th of October at 11:30. It has been such gorgeous fall weather, don't know why more of you haven't been out. Wish it could be like this year round, perfect Indian summer. I do detest the summer heat. Sure was good to see Ann and Jud Maxfield. Had missed them lately, so I asked him to give our blessing of the food. Also good to have Wynogene Smith back with again and bringing her good rolls. Missed her most of the summer. Ann Warren was visiting her sister in Dallas a day so couldn't be with us.

Wilburn Overstreet was in Madisonville visiting his son Neal. Always miss him when not here, he is one of our regulars. Neal has put up such a battle in his fight with cancer. Brent Lasater carried Wilburn for his visit, how very nice of him to give of this time. I'm sure Neal was glad to see them both.

Since it was Barbara Bush turn to cook the meat she surprised us with Enchiladas!! Max did help her as they are quite a lot of work. I know as I've made many in the past. We enjoyed them with beans, cornbread, cabbage, corn, peas and carrots, and several different casseroles. For dessert we had Jello, several pies of pumpkin and sweet potato, also a chocolate cake. There were some good fresh peppers to enjoy also.

We will celebrate the Birthdays for October this gather of the 22nd. All woman this month, Ann Warren, Betty Frazier, Billie Bennett and Bernice Hewson. There will be cake and ice cream and song. I hope many will be here to help us celebrate. We are ally very glad to be here one more year.

There was vote and the majority decided to go back to Desdemona for the Thanksgiving dinner on November 11. We heard the mean are frying the turkeys and women making the dressing as usual. That did give us more incentive to return. It is very hard to please us all, but they are trying.

I attended the football game last Friday night against Ranger with Betty Regian and my son Mark Ward. What a game it was. We Won!! Tyson Swanner, my grandson, out did himself. He ran in some touchdowns, plus made some tremendous kicks and punts. He was tired of the losses, very gung ho! I do wish the rest of the boys would get it together, as they will be the team the next two years. Matt Underwood made some good runs also.

I couldn't be at the game night on the 16th, but heard they had a good time. Lil Brudnak brought pizza, a surprise treat. They also had sandwiches and many other goodies. It better to have food and not all sweets. I believe there were ten present playing different games.

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

City Minutes

October 17, 2008

The Gorman City Commission met on the above date. Those present were Mayor Robert Ervin, Commissioners Cliffla Vaughn, Joe Casey and Nathan Files. Absent was Charlie Torrez.

Nathan led the opening prayer followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and the Texas Pledge. Mayor Ervin called the meeting to order at 5:32 p.m.

Joe made the motion to approve the minutes with corrections to the sentence structure of paragraph nine. Nathan made a second. Motion carried 3-0.

Cliffla made the motion to pay the bills with a second from Joe. Motion carried 3-0. Nathan made the motion to appoint Jill to the EDC board. Joe made a second. Motion carried 3-0.

Cliffla made the motion to amend the System's budget on the Water and Sewer amounts for the Capital Expense of the new pick up. Joe made a second, motion carried 3-0. The price of the pick up was \$16,489.85, equally divided between Water and Sewer.

The Commission requested that Trace leave the little Ford Ranger pick up parked during the day, and he is to work as normal with the city crew. He will come back to his ACO vehicle when he receives a call or complaint concerning animals at large or related animal control issues. However, he does still take the vehicle home in the evenings and on the weekends.

The City Commission agreed it is a good idea to pursue cleaning some of these lots that are not maintained by owners, or that have been abandoned. Liens will be filed against these properties for the expense incurred.

There being no further business for discussion Nathan made the motion to adjourn with a second from Cliffla. Motion carried, time was 6:35 p.m.

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ASB's Image Campaign, which coincided with their 60th Anniversary celebration, garnered IBAT's Bronze Eagle Award. The campaign effectively communicated ASB's distinctive history and deep Texas roots along with their stable name and leadership.

The annual IBAT awards recognize member institutions in several categories for service to their communities. Winners are judged on innovation and creativity, number of people benefited or affected and the success in fulfilling a community need.

"We are very honored," said W.R. Collier. "ASB is thrilled to be recognized for the creativity and ingenuity that went into these campaigns."

Since 1948, American State Bank has been helping the great people and businesses of Texas find financial success. In all these 60 years, ASB is proud to have the same name and only two presidents, Jack Payne and W.R. Collier. It was Payne's vision to establish a "friendly little family bank." Even today with 35 locations in 20 Texas communities, ASB is still true to that vision.

Super Notes

By David K. Perry - dperry@gorman.esc14.net - www.gorman.esc14.net - 734-3171

What a beautiful week it was! I love fall weather. It finally feels like football weather. Now if we will continue to receive a little rain periodically to keep everything from drying up, it will be perfect. We had a great week last week and this one appears to be another one.

I am proud once again to announce that 100% of the teachers and paraprofessionals employed by the district are highly qualified and meet all the requirements of the No Child Left Behind Act. We will always do our best to hire and maintain the very best faculty to educate your children. We appreciate your trust in us and thank you for allowing us to participate in your child's education.

I am also very proud of the fact that our district has met the requirements of the State Performance Plan which is the highest rating. This indicates the exceptional job our faculty and staff have been doing with regard to meeting financial and legal requirements of the Individual with Disabilities Education Act of 2004. One of the indicators considered in making this determination was our approval rating under the Performance Based Monitoring Analysis System. We held a public hearing Monday night at our board meeting to review this information with the public. We also review our superior achievement rating from the financial integrity rating system of Texas that was reviewed. Also received from The Texas Education Agency was notification that the 2006-2007 annual financial audit report for the year ending August 31, 2007 has been accepted as submitted with no errors.

Last week the volleyball team had a week off, but this week they face Tolar there on Tuesday and that will prove to be the deciding factor on us coming in a solid second in district and advancing to the play offs without a tie breaker. Our last match with Tolar here at home was a close one. The size crowd we have at Tolar will make a big difference in the outcome. Our girl's have been working very hard and deserve your presence and support at the game. JV is at 5:00pm and the varsity will follow. The girl's will then play Lingleville here at home on Saturday morning at ten. Good luck girls!

Friday night the Panthers came alive against Ranger winning 42-3. They were able to capitalize on several Bulldog mistakes and really started playing like a team. Toward the end of the game several of our less experienced players got to play and they all did a fine job. Friday night we will face Tolar at Tolar. I know they will be well prepared, but so will be the Panthers. This is a big game and may determine if we will make the play-offs. It is important for you to be there to support our team. Don't miss the excitement!

On Thursday, the Cubs will host Tolar. The Cubs are undefeated for the season and played a close game against Ranger last week. They need your support as much as the Panthers. Remember, these are the Panthers of tomorrow. Come out and show them how you feel!

Saturday morning we traveled to Brady for marching band competition. Our band performed well and we are very proud of them! Mr. Howard has done a great job with them. I look forward to their Christmas concert.

The Elementary Fall Festival is scheduled for Tuesday, October 28th from 6:00-8:00 P.M. This is a fund raising activity to help pay for Field Trips that will enrich your child's education. Save the date and come out and have some fun! What else are you going to do, watch TV? Don't be ashamed and have to make excuses for missing it. Write it down on your calendar today or tape a note to the front of the refrigerator or coffee pot. You don't want to miss this!

Monday we held our regularly scheduled school board meeting. It opened at 6:03pm. Daryl Hirst gave the invocation and then all present recited the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. The consent agenda was passed by unanimous vote and then Jim Barnes of DSA, the school's construction management company, reported on the progress of the building progress. He reported that we were on schedule and the large trusses that will span the gymnasium will be installed within the next week if everything goes right. They began decking on the roof Monday. Mr. Rogers from Cadco, the school architect, was also present to respond to any questions the board had about the project. Mr. Perry then reviewed the information in the board packets concerning fund balances and tax collection. The present fund balance is \$1,511,253.21. This does not include the funds from the bonds which are on deposit drawing interest. These funds are being spent only as the work is done and according to a payment schedule set up by contract. 94.24% of the 2007 taxes have been collected and there have been several citizens stop by to pay their 2008 taxes early. Mr. Perry reported that bus barn roof repairs will begin within the next two weeks and the board decided to go out for bids on the air conditioner replacements needed due to hail damage. The board adopted a resolution that will be posted on the school website and sent to legislators regarding school finance and the needs of public education in Texas and a set of core principles. The board also approved the revised shared services agreement with the East End Special Education Cooperative. The board chose three sample of brick to see to be used on the columns in front of the new building and those choices will be sent to the architect so that full size samples may be sent to us to compare before making the final selection. The meeting adjourned at 8:40pm.

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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