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## Panthers Tied For First Place In District Play

The boys are now tied for first place in district play with Santo. We need to be as excited about this as we were about football playoffs.

The Gorman Panthers are currently tied for first place in district play with the Santo Wildcats. Following the next two games with DeLeon and Tolar, the Panthers play-off spot will be determined. Everybody needs to come out and support the Panthers and Lady Panthers in these exciting district games.



Brandon Greer adds another 3-pointer to his growing list of three point shots. Brandon has been an outstanding scorer during the race for the district title.



Zack Fox converts the lay-up for two points after another steal due to the hard playing efforts of the Panther team.

## Community Classes in Oil Painting to be Held at Gorman Church of Christ

Monda Oldham will be teaching a class of Oil Painting at the Gorman Church of Christ on Monday evenings, February 4 – March 10 at 6:00PM. The six weeks of classes will be held in the Fellowship Hall of the church. With an MSE in Art from Harding University in Arkansas, she has also studied in Europe. Before her retirement Monda served as Instructor and Chairman of the Art Department at Harding Academy in Searcy Arkansas. She served as adjunct Art Instructor throughout her career as well as giving private lessons in painting, glass and sculpture. All ladies of the community and surrounding area are invited to attend the Oil Painting classes. Instruction and most materials such as paints and canvas will be provided by the church at no charge. Students will need to furnish their own brushes and personal items. Please contact Monda at 734-4508 to register.

## Life Skills Valentine Sales

The Gorman ISD life skills class will be selling Valentine bags filled with all kinds of goodies thru February 13th. This year's new items are stuffed gorillas, heart tattoos, and a new style of silicone bracelets. The bags range from \$1.00 to \$4.00. This is a great inexpensive way of buying for your kids, family and or friends.

You may pick up order forms from Ms. Sowell or Mrs. Gonzalez in the Life Skills class located in the rock building on the school campus or in the Elementary and High School offices. The life skills class will also deliver on February 14th. Please don't delay, place your order today while supplies last!

## Panthers Beat Tolar & Ranger

Gorman Vs. Tolar game played January 25th. The Panthers won the game by the score of 40 to 19. High points for Gorman was Tyson Swanner with 15 points and Brandon Greer with 17 points. Gorman scored 7 in the first, 9 in the second, 22 in the third and 4 in fourth periods.

The Panthers took on Ranger on Tuesday, January 28th. The Panthers won by a score of 49 to 23. High scores for the Panthers were Brandon Greer with 14 points and Orlando Valenzuela with 8 points.

## Panthers Beat Santo On Feb. 1

The Panthers played Santo on Friday, February 1st. Gorman won the game by a score of 39 to 29. Scoring for Gorman was Tyson Swanner with 13 points and 9 rebounds, Orlando Valenzuela with 8 points and 12 Rebounds, Aaron Keith with 8 points and 3 rebounds, and Zack Fox with 8 points and 9 Rebounds. District standings after this game was Gorman 5-1, Santo 5-1, De Leon 2-3, Tolar 2-3, and Ranger 0-5. Gorman has games with De Leon and Tolar left to play.

## Two Positions To Open For School Board Election

TWO positions will come open for the May 10, 2008 election for school board trustee to be elected at large. These positions will be for three-year terms and are currently held by Jeff Seaton and Larry Thompson. Applications for filing for a position on the ballot will begin on February 11, 2008. Deadline for filing will be March 10, 2008 at 5:00 p.m. Applications can be completed at the Administration office during school hours.

DOS posiciones serán abiertas para la elección el 10 de mayo de 2008 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 Jeff Seaton y Larry Thompson. Las solicitudes para archivar para una posición en la votación comenzarán el 11 de febrero de 2008. La fecha límite para la clasificación será el 10 de marzo del 2008 a las 5:00 de la tarde. Las solicitudes pueden ser completadas en la oficina de Administración durante horas escolares.

## Texas Democratic Women To Meet

Texas Democratic Women will have a meeting at the Carbon Community Center on February 12 at 6:30 p.m. for the purpose of writing the Bylaws to ask for membership in the State TDW organization. At Pulido's last month several women and men paid their dues and asked to form a chapter in this area or more specifically for Eastland County. It is expected that the candidate for the State Board of Education will be present. All interested Democrats are invited to attend. Bring a covered dish.

## Gorman City Commission Minutes

JANUARY 17, 2008

The Gorman City Commission met on the above date. Those present were Mayor Robert Ervin, Commissioners Nathan Files, Joe Casey and Cliffa Vaughn. Absent was Charlie Torrez. Others present were Ann Warren, Patrol Officer Jonathan Shoemaker, Betty S. Heathington, Dr. Heathington, Laneta Freeman, and Dave Freeman.

Nathan led the opening prayer followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and the Texas Pledge.

Cliffa read the minutes of the previous meeting. Joe made the motion to approve the minutes with a second from Nathan. Motion carried 3-0.

Concerns were expressed about the curfew ordinance needing to be enforced more actively. Dave Freeman asked if even a separate ordinance could be adopted excluding late night school bus arrivals.

Dr and Betty S. Heathington were present to make a request to the City Commission in reference to the break-ins. First, we need to let the young people know that this is not acceptable behavior. This is not normal behavior and people who do these things are not normal and need professional help. Second, we need to secure the town and our places to the maximum, and third, we need to look at new methods of surveillance. Fourth, we need to communicate our policy (if you agree that it is wrong to steal from people) to the community. And fifth, we need a little committee of people who give us tips and suggestions about how to prevent break-ins. (Letter attached from Betty S Heathington in minute book.)

Dave and Laneta Freeman were present as well, with the same concerns.

Nathan made the motion to pay the bills. Joe made a second. Motion carried.

Vicki had requested to rent or lease a vehicle to attend a class for continued education as City Judge. There was no motion, but it was agreed this was not a problem.

The Eastland County Probation department will do community service work on Saturdays. If the City has projects that could qualify they need to be put on the calendar at least 30 days prior for scheduling. The Mayor suggested the pool repairs be put on the calendar. Tacy will need to notify the probation department.

No action on the TCDBGP resolution.

The first reading of Ordinance # 2008-01 Atmos Energy: Extension of Deadline for Action in the Atmos Energy Rate Case.

There being no further agenda items for discussion, Cliffa made the motion to adjourn with a second from Joe. Motion carried, time was 6:45 p.m.

## Four Panthers Named To All State Team



GOOD JOB PANTHERS - (l to r) Matt Underwood, Corey Clark, Chad Klein and Zack Fox.

The past week the Texas Sports Writers Association released the Class 1-A All-State Football Team. The 2007 team was well represented with athletes from Gorman High School. The Panthers had two posted on the Offense and two on the Defense. Seniors Chad Klein was 1st Team selection at Linebacker and Zack Fox was a 2nd team selection at Free Safety. Klein a 6-0 foot and 210 pound linebacker roamed from sideline to sideline making plays and was half of a two headed monster that held Gorman opponents to 2.3 points per game during the regular season. The other half that spearheaded the attack was senior free safety Zack Fox. Fox was utilized by taking away each opponent big threat each week. Fox was also the outstanding Special Teams Player of the Year for the Panthers. These two seniors will be missed a great deal and are both very deserving of the All-State accolades.

On the offensive side of the ball two more Panthers made the list. Senior lineman Corey Clark was named 3rd Team All-State. Clark, a 6 foot and 205pound pulling guard led the way for Junior Matt Underwood. Matt finished the season just 36 yards short of the 2,000 yard mark rushing. Underwood also rushed for 19 touchdowns and received Honorable Mention Running Back on the 2007 squad. The Panthers offense averaged 53 points per game during the regular season and rushed for more than 450 yards per game.

Klein, Clark and Underwood were already representatives on the 1-A Associated Press All-State Team that came out in December. The Associated Press is done with just regular season stats and the Texas Sports Writers Association looks at the entire season including the state playoffs.

## Chad Klein Named To FCA All Star Squad

ABILENE -- Chad Klein of Gorman High School has been chosen to participate in the 9th Annual Fellowship of Christian Athletes Myrle Great-house All-Star Football Classic, to be held Saturday, June 7, 2008 in Abilene's Shotwell Stadium.

Chad is the son of Blake and Toni Briscoe and Curtis and Samantha Klein.

He was one of 90 area Football Players selected for the game, which benefits the Big Country chapter of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes. Representing 49 area schools, the roster for the North and South squads were announced at a Press Conference on Saturday, February 2nd at Beltway Park Baptist Church in Abilene, Tx.

The young men were nominated by their head football coaches for the game, which features schools from an approximate 100 mile radius of Abilene covering 36 counties. Players from Class A through 5A make up the two squads.

They will be honored at a Victory Banquet on Sunday, April 6th at 4:00 p.m. At the Abilene Civic Center. They will report for a two-a-day workouts on Wednesday, June 4, 2008. They will be involved in several activities during All-Star Week.

## Sixty People From Gorman Watch Harlem Globtrotters at ACU



Sixty people from the Gorman Scouts went to Abilene Christian University, to watch a game between the Washington Generals and the Harlem Globtrotters on Thursday, January 31st. Pictured is the Scouts that were there for Globtrotter University before the game. Several Scouts are not pictured that came with their parents at different times. I want to thank everyone who helped to make this happen, we couldn't do it without the volunteers.

# CLASSIFIEDS

These are the results of the Pinewood Derby races held last Saturday, January 26th at the Methodist Church.

## Cub Scout News

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40 A m/l, south Gorman, pasture, fenced, small cabin, water well, small pond, elec., sandy soil, paved road. \$2,750 acre.  
NEW - 24.156 A near Gorman: 50 - 60 Pecan trees, excellent fences (some new) and great location for a pond. Sprigged coastal 3-07 \$3,000 per acre. Will Divide.  
NEAR Duster: 30 A. Horse property, 1999 built 5 - 3 1/2 brick, 3342 sq. ft. central a/h, carpet/tile, huge island kitchen, natural stone fireplace, game room, metal shop, horse barn w/4 stalls, pond, coastal, paved road, very nice! \$379,500  
49.83 A. west Gorman, large oaks, paved road, building spots, country water/elec. available, fenced, ponds, barn/coral, great hunting, pretty place! \$2,900 ACRE  
100 A west De Leon FM587, 3 - 1 1/2 - 2 brick, 1444 sq. ft., C/H/A, fireplace, carpeted, some remodeling, 3 ponds, 30a crop land, 35a coastal, some native, fenced, 2 steel corrals, 2 wells, shop building. Nice setup. Mineral Rights. \$2,950.00 A.  
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Garret Emmons 1st place winner, overall fastest car, out of 21 kids to race, from ages 6 to 11.



Reece Scitem 2nd place winner



Colton Wheeler- 3rd place winner.



Alex Rainey 4th place winner

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• 380± A, wells & tanks, gentle rolling terrain, producing gas wells \$950,000 REDUCED \$931,000 (CWO1)  
• 328 A, High Fenced Game Ranch, hunting cabin, 5th wheel RV, wells & tanks \$1,526,000 (RR01)  
• 250± A, on Copperas Creek, 150 wooded, 100 coastal, lake, tanks, cabin, hwy. frontage, rural water \$850,000 (LBO1)  
• 243 A, reservoir & wells, irrigation pit, highway frontage, cultivation, costal, native pasture \$2,500 per acre (AB01)  
• 236± A, wells & tanks, rolling terrain, minerals available, hunting \$2,195 per acre (DSO2)  
• 231 A, on Leon River, wells, pecan trees, hunting, minerals available \$751,530 REDUCED \$665,280 (DK01)  
• 150 A, rolling terrain, approx. 90 acres wooded, wells & tanks, irrigation pit, hunting, minerals \$442,500 (LPO1)  
• 90 A, 4-3 Brick Home, fireplace, game room, RV shed, well & tank, minerals negotiable \$397,500 (BE01)  
• 81 A, Pecan Orchard, approx. 900 improved variety trees, underground drip irrigation, 9 wells \$405,000 (REMO1)  
• 52 A, 4-3 Brick Home, carport, wells & tanks, corrals, barns \$250,000 REDUCED \$239,500 (LP01)  
• 51 A, highway frontage, spring creeks and hunting \$193,000 REDUCED \$180,250 (RPO1)  
• 30 A, 3-2½ Custom Built Home, garage, porch, RV shed & shop, barn, wells & tanks, Hwy.16 frontage \$450,000 (DB01)  
• 25.6 A, 4-2½ Brick Home, garage, carport, storage buildings, water well & tanks \$250,000 REDUCED \$210,000 (JB03)  
• 24.5 A, on Flat Creek, with water well, native pasture, close to highway \$98,000 (MPO1)  
• 20 A, approx. 40% wooded, remainder in costal, rural water available, hunting \$75,000 (WMO1)  
• 14±A, 3-2 Brick Home, fireplace, fenced yards, garages & storage buildings, hwy. frontage \$180,000 (FWO1)  
• 11 A, 16'x70' Mobile Home, metal awning, well, rural water, oak trees \$70,000 (TPO1)  
• 8.6 A, 3-2 Frame Home, water well, above ground pool with deck, horse barn \$129,900 (JK01)  
• 8½ A, 3-2 Metal Frame Home, near Lake Proctor, work shop, wells, underground sprinkler system \$265,000 (JTO2)  
• 7± A, Metal Building on slab, large oak trees, pecan orchard, hwy. frontage, water well \$65,000 (FWO2)  
• 5 A, 4-2 Brick Home, metal roof, carport, storage buildings, pecan trees, wells & tanks \$120,000 (WKO1)  
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• 3-3 Brick Home, approx. 1 acre, carport, well, underground sprinkler, C H/A, storage bldgs. \$130,000 (BCO2)  
• 3-2 Frame Home, 2.5 Acres, wood burning stove, carport, rural water, well, shop \$137,500 REDUCED \$99,900 (CCO3)  
• 3-2 Brick Home, carport, large shaded lot, fireplace, metal roof, storage building \$405,000 REDUCED \$90,000 (WCO1)  
• 2-1½ Frame Home, garage, storage building \$75,000 (STO1)  
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Sunshine, glorious sunshine, has returned to brighten and warm the days of winter.

Mark your calendars:

**Feb. 9th** – Brotherhood Breakfast – 8:00AM – in FBC Fellowship Hall and you are invited to join the men for prayer, devotion, fellowship, fun, and fabulous food.

**Feb. 14th** – Deacon's Valentine Banquet – 6:00PM.

The Worship Service was opened with a word of prayer from Aaron Keith.

**Special Presentation:** David and Vicki Perry presented the Church with a plaque from Brad Burleson and his Delta Company Fourth Battalion for the goodies and cards that were sent to them at Christmas time. Freedom is not free.

Liz Caraway's Children's Sermon told of the widow woman in II Kings chapter four that had nothing but a bowl of oil; and Elisha told her to collect jars and fill them. Because of God's grace and mercy she was able to fill all of the jars. Our "super bowl" is our faith and victory because all things are possible with God.

Bro. Barry's sermon was "The Three Little Pigs" – Matthew 7:24-27.

Like The Three Little Pigs:

I. Instead of straw and sticks (verse 26-27)

1. SAND is the excuse you give for not accepting Christ.
2. SAND is the objection to the gospel.
3. SAND is the success and prosperity you work for.
4. SAND is the SIN you do not turn from.
5. SAND is disobedience to GOD.

II. Naming the Big Bad Wolf

1. Satan – Master of Deception
2. His Plan – Walk Around in Darkness
3. Satan Huffs, Puffs & Blows Your House Down

III. Practical Pig or Wise Man

Firm foundation for 3 reasons:

1. The certainty of the adversary.
2. Hope that your life will count for something.
3. Death is certain.

Are You Wind Blown, Beaten, Battered by Adversity?

Those who are wise will prepare for Eternity!

Bro. Barry said that life is like a roll of toilet paper, the closer you get to the end the faster it spins.

Hebrews 9:27

And as it is appointed for men to die once, but after this the JUDGEMENT.

Our Worship Service is broadcast on 88.7FM. God Bless and Keep You! See you next Sunday!

## Pig Tales From Hogtown

We at the DAC want to sincerely thank everyone who attended our Feb. 'Breakfast at the DAC'. You all gave very generous donations and all of the donations were given to Buckshot and Betty Lewis. The Lewis' lost their home and all possessions when their home burned to the ground last Tuesday. They also lost all of the outbuildings and all the pastures and hay. Nothing we do can ease the pain of losing everything but you proved that folks do care when a neighbor is hurting.

I understand during that fire, the firefighters had problems getting to and from their tankers to refill the fire trucks due to on-lookers. We are all interested when something like this happens but be sure you are out of the way of emergency equipment if you stop by. Take a look around your home and make sure grass & weeds are mowed close to the ground. And keep the area around your home clear of debris and anything that can burn. Of course, a fast moving fire can't be stopped by these measures but maybe can be slowed down a bit. And, please, don't do anything that could possibly start a fire.

I would like to mention some upcoming events at the DAC:

On February 23, we will have a fish fry. We will have 'Dr. Dan and the Band-Aids' performing and a bluegrass band from the metroplex/Glen Rose area called Lonesome Prairie. Lonesome Prairie performs all around North Texas and in Oklahoma. We will start serving at 5:00 P.M. Cost will be \$15.00 for adults, \$5.00 for children 12 and under and children 6 and under are free. Many of you have asked for another fish fry and here it is with some wonderful music as an added bonus!

Desdemona's first public library will open its doors on March 5th. We are planning a grand opening on that day.

March 1st will be our monthly 'Breakfast at the DAC' from 7:00 A.M. until 10:00 A.M.

Our 2nd annual Craft Show will be held April 18th and 19th. Booths will rent for \$30.00 each. We will have a concession stand. All crafters are welcome; just let us know so we can get some information to you. You can call me at 254-758-2420 or Helen Depwe at 254-758-2522.

If you have been to any of our events, you know what fun we have. I think we just like to visit and eat! You all come join us!

Carol Pell

## Super Notes

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

It sure has been nice to have a few warmer days, but I'm sure we have not seen the last of the cold. I know this for certain because we have not had a track meet so far this year and the first few track meets are always miserable weather-wise. In relation to that topic, basketball is almost finished for this season. The junior high teams had their last games against DeLeon Monday night and the girl's varsity had their last game on Tuesday night. The boy's varsity will play their last game next Tuesday against Tolar. If they win their last two games, they will be district champions so I suggest all you Panther fans need to be in Tolar next Tuesday evening at 6pm to cheer them on to victory!

Those of you with student showing animals at the various stock shows are already aware of what goes on during a stock show, but you may not have noticed the toll it takes on your children. Stock shows are a lot of fun, but they are stressful and tiring. Please help them get rested up when they return and make sure they have all of their work turned in. They get really busy when they are gone and sometimes need to adjust their priorities when they return.

February brings a lot of changes with regard to sports and activities. High school UIL Academic Competition invitationals have begun and our students are practicing for their events getting ready for the District meet. Softball, baseball, and track begin and Ag shows continue. It is getting busier and busier every day. I hope you will encourage your child to participate in something. The things these children learn through competition will help them all of their lives.

Extended Day began last Monday at the elementary campus. This is a program designed to help students having any trouble with the TAKS test. The program is after school and very successful with those that participate.

The Fourth Six Weeks ends February 15th. Please visit with your child to make certain they have all of their work turned in. Now is a good time to see if any work is available for extra credit to help get their average up.

Reading TAKS will be administered on March 4th. Please see that your child is well rested the night before the test and that they eat a good breakfast. It makes a difference!

I still don't have a good list of homes for those folks wanting to move to Gorman to go to our school. I had a call today regarding a parent wanting to transfer their children to our school. They would like to move here too, but they have not been able to find a place to live. I see home sitting vacant. Please call, email, or stop by my office with information on any property available for rent or sale and we will pass the information a long to interested parties. This goes for you realtors too! Call me if you have listings in the area.

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!

## Eastland County Retired Teachers Meeting Set For Feb. 11th

Terry Edwards and Ron Holiday, Local Dispensing Site Coordinator, and Deputy Coordinator, will address the Eastland County Retired Teachers on the subject of Pandemic Flu and How to Cope. The meeting will be very informative on the subject of the Avian Flu epidemic. ECRT meeting will be at the Carbon Community Center at noon on February 11 and will be open to the public. Bring a covered dish.

## The History of Arbor Day

The idea for Arbor Day originally came from Nebraska. A visit to Nebraska today wouldn't disclose that the state was once a treeless plain. Yet it was the lack of trees there that led to the founding of Arbor Day in the 1800s.

Among pioneers moving into the Nebraska Territory in 1854 was J. Sterling Morton from Detroit. He and his wife were lovers of nature, and the home they established in Nebraska was quickly planted with trees, shrubs and flowers.

Morton was a journalist and soon became editor of Nebraska's first newspaper. Given that forum, he spread agricultural information and his enthusiasm for trees to an equally enthusiastic audience.

His fellow pioneers missed their trees. But, more importantly, trees were needed as windbreaks to keep soil in place, for fuel and building materials, and for shade from the hot sun.

Morton not only advocated tree planting by individuals in his articles and editorials, but he also encouraged civic organizations and groups to join in. His prominence in the area increased, and he became secretary of the Nebraska Territory, which provided another opportunity to stress the value of trees.

## Arbor Day's Beginnings

On January 4, 1872, Morton first proposed a tree-planting holiday to be called "Arbor Day" at a meeting of the State Board of Agriculture. The date was set for April 10, 1872. Prizes were offered to counties and individuals for planting properly the largest number of trees on that day. It was estimated that more than one million trees were planted in Nebraska on the first Arbor Day.

Arbor Day was officially proclaimed by the young state's Gov. Robert W. Furnas on March 12, 1874, and the day itself was observed April 10, 1874. In 1885, Arbor Day was named a legal holiday in Nebraska and April 22, Morton's birthday, was selected as the date for its permanent observance.

According to accounts from the Nebraska City News, April 1885, the City celebrated Arbor Day with a grand parade and a speech by J. Sterling Morton. Students of different grades met at their respective school rooms in the morning for the purpose of planting at least one tree. Each tree that was planted was labeled with the grade, the time planted, and was to be specially cared for by that grade.

When the plantings were completed, 1000 students formed a line to begin the parade from the various schools to Nebraska City's opera house. In the parade, each class carried colorful banners made of satin with silk lining and trimmed with gold fringe. The letters on the banners were painted in oil colors. By the time the parade reached the opera house the throng numbered well over the 1000 as townspeople joined the march. Every available foot of space in the opera house was occupied, the students having the front seats and gallery while the older persons stood. At 11:00, the throng of celebrants was addressed by the founder of Arbor Day, J. Sterling Morton. Mr. Morton was listened to with much attention, and loudly applauded at the close of his address. At the conclusion of the ceremonies, the students sang "America," and the large audience was dismissed.

This ended the first celebration of Arbor Day as a legal holiday, and, as reported by the newspaper, "... to say that it was a complete success but faintly expresses it. A celebration of this kind results in good to all, and is worthy of imitation by every school in the state."

During the 1870s, other states passed legislation to observe Arbor Day, and the tradition began in schools nationwide in 1882.

Today the most common date for the state observances is the last Friday in April, and several U.S. presidents have proclaimed a national Arbor Day on that date. But a number of state Arbor Days are at other times to coincide with the best tree planting weather, from January and February in the south to May in the far north.

Arbor Day has now spread beyond the United States and is observed in many countries of the world.

## The 100-Year-Old Four Leaf Clover

By U.S. Sen. John Cornyn

One hundred years ago, the beginnings of 4-H in Texas started sprouting in Jack County, the idea of an extension agent named Thomas Marks. 4-H clubs have been thriving ever since, helping convey to young people the values that have made our state great.

Marks had been trying to promote new agricultural techniques to area farmers. Frustrated with the response, he declared, "Next year I will work with the pups." He founded the Jack County Boy's Corn Club in 1908 to teach 25 young men about modern uses of the land and traditional values.

Within a short time, inspired volunteers founded pig clubs and beef calf clubs in Coleman County, girls' tomato clubs in Milam County, and a vegetable garden and poultry club for black youth in Waller County. It all eventually became 4-H, a phenomenal four-leaf clover that today counts more than 625,000 members statewide and some 40,000 adult volunteers. The Texas program is the largest in the United States.

This centennial year is a good time to highlight the contributions and transformation of Texas 4-H. The 4-H Pledge spells out each of the H's in its clover emblem: "I pledge my Head to clearer thinking, my Heart to greater loyalty, my Hands to larger service, my Health to better living. For my club, my community, my country, and my world."

In 4-H, young people across Texas learn practical lessons that help make them successful in life, including leadership skills, communication and public speaking. More importantly, the clubs stress values that are the foundation of good citizenship—honesty, hard work, individual responsibility and service to the community. In competitions, 4-Hers learn to lose—and win—with grace. The organization builds character, the most important lesson of all.

At first, 4-H was mostly about farm life. Just eight years after the first club started, according to 4-H history, the "Texas Farm Boys' 4-H Special, an eight-car train, traveled 5,000 miles in 16 days carrying 125 farm boys through the best agricultural sections of the United States and Canada for a thorough study of agriculture."

As Texas has changed and become more urban, so has 4-H. The organization prides itself on adapting to the evolving interests and needs of young Texans.

All of Texas' 254 counties have 4-H programs. Two of our most populous counties, Harris (Houston) and Bexar (San Antonio), each have more than twenty 4-H clubs.

About 70 percent of 4-H members now live in cities, suburbs and towns; 23 percent live in smaller towns or non-farm areas; and seven percent live on farms.

More than half of the members are female. High school programs remain popular, but 4-H starts early. More than 62,000 Texas kindergartners are enrolled in 4-H programs.

Operation Military Kids reaches an important part of our state, more than 14,000 young people.

Today more than half a million 4-Hers participate in science, engineering and technology projects. Members of the 4-H statewide Tech Team, for example, use satellite technology to map walking trails, historical sites and, in coastal areas, evacuation routes. Young people in the 4-H "Kidz with Biz Idealz" program learn workplace skills and even start small businesses.

The organization benefits from its status as the youth development program of the Texas AgriLife Extension Service under Texas A&M and Prairie View A&M Universities.

Through the years, as 4-H has helped young people achieve their goals and become better citizens, the entire state of Texas has been the beneficiary. The next time you see a Texas 4-H member or one of their adult volunteers, tell them to keep up their great work. Let's make certain the second 100 years of 4-H is as successful as the first.

Sen. Cornyn serves on the Armed Services, Judiciary and Budget Committees. In addition, he is Vice Chairman of the Senate Select Committee on Ethics. He serves as the top Republican on the Judiciary Committee's Immigration, Border Security and Refugees subcommittee and the Armed Services Committee's Airland subcommittee. Cornyn served previously as Texas Attorney General, Texas Supreme Court Justice and Bexar County District Judge.

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## Desdemona News

By Vonnie Guthery

**Ladies Monthly Social** will be held on Monday morning, February 11th at the Desdemona Community Center School Building. Hostesses for this event are Joy Rogers of Gorman and Gail Clayton of Desdemona. Visitors are invited to attend to enjoy the good food and fellowship.

There is a lot of sickness in our Community. Mildred Milion spent several days in the hospital recovering from pneumonia. Others on the sick list are Moody Koonce, Ruth Lewis and Jody Walston. Remember these and others on the sick list with your cards and prayers.

Ima Brown is reported to be doing real good since her recent eye surgery.

A large grass fire swept thru the Jakehamon Community on Tuesday afternoon, January 29th. High northwest wind and very low humidity was the #1 factor in this fast moving fire. Our neighbors, Harold "Buckshot" Lewis and wife, Betty lost their home in this fire. Farmers and Ranchers in this area lost most of their hay crop as many bales were completely destroyed. Several area towns sent their fire trucks to help contain this raging fire. "Thanks" to all the firemen that came to offer their help during this time. Jakehamon is located south of Desdemona in Comanche County.

Remember the next monthly Musical will be held on Saturday night, February 23rd at the Desdemona Community Center School Building. A invitation to all the area musicians, singers and visitors to attend. The Concession Stand opens at 5:30 p.m. serving good food, pie and drinks. Come early to enjoy supper with all the group before the music program begins at 6:00 p.m. There is always good Country and Western music with some Bluegrass and Gospel to enjoy. Admission is FREE.

Elise and Kati Duke of Stephenville spent the past weekend with their grandparents, "Humpy" and Betty Duke. Betty enjoys her grandchildren.

**HISTORY** - A look back in time - Baseball's National League formed February 2, 1876; Ohio became the 17th State on February 19, 1803; U.S. acquired Florida from Spain on February 22, 1819; Iwo Jima fell to U. S. Troops on February 23, 1945.

Please contact this reporter (254) 758-2665 with your weekly news. Your help will be appreciated. Thanks and have a nice day, Vonnie.

## Ranger Drug Dealer Shutdown

ARNULFO REYES CERROS, 42, formerly a city of Ranger resident, is now an inmate awaiting transfer to state prison to serve a 20-year sentence for possession with intent to deliver a controlled substance, Methamphetamine, 4 grams or more but less than 200 grams and possession with intent to deliver a controlled substance, Cocaine, 4 grams or more but less than 200 grams

Cerros was arrested for the offense on June 11, 2007 after Ranger Police Officer Jeremy Vandergriff on routine patrol in the City of Ranger observed a silver Ford truck initiate a right turn without using a turn signal for the proper distance. Upon making contact with the driver, Vandergriff observed a white powder substance in the open ashtray of the vehicle. Vandergriff placed the occupants of the vehicle, passenger Arnulfo Reyes Cerros and the vehicles' driver in handcuffs and searched the truck finding three baggies of drugs containing .12 grams of cocaine, 82.37 grams of methamphetamine and 28.39 grams of cocaine. The driver of the vehicle is still awaiting trial.

District Judge Steven R. Herod presided over the proceedings and sentenced Cerros to twenty years in the Institutional Division of the Texas Department of Criminal Justice in each case.

Criminal District Attorney Russ Thomason expressed appreciation for the efforts of Officer Vandergriff and the Ranger Police Department in shutting down another drug dealer in Eastland County. Fred Franklin of Brownwood represented Cerros.

## PRISON TIME FOR CREDIT CARD ABUSE

On January 28, 2008, Alan Walter Bress, 40, of Mineral Wells, entered a plea of guilty and was sentenced to serve twelve months in the State Jail Division of the Texas Department of Criminal Justice. Bress faced a maximum sentence of two years and will do his time day for day without a chance for early parole. Additionally he was ordered to pay \$804.11 in restitution. Bress had used a credit card stolen in a burglary that took place in Mineral Wells on or about October 14, 2007. The card was used here in Eastland County and the offense was investigated by the Ranger Police Department. Presiding Judge Steven Herod sentenced Bress who was represented by defense attorney Gary Peak.

## RANGER MAN NETS PRISON TIME FOR CRIMINAL MISCHIEF

Timothy Howard Wood, 45, of Ranger, is now an inmate awaiting transfer to state prison for the offense of Criminal Mischief - \$1,500 or more but less than \$20,000. The incident occurred at the Austin Acres Housing Authority in Ranger and stemmed from water damage sustained due to Wood having broken a water line to a toilet in a vacant apartment in order to use them on a toilet in an apartment where he was staying. Wood entered a plea of guilty and was given nine months confinement in the State Jail Division of the Texas Department of Criminal Justice and ordered to pay \$10,284.45 in restitution for his participation in the criminal mischief. Presiding Judge Steven Herod sentenced Wood who was represented by defense attorney Gary Peak.

## PROBATION REVOKED

Steven R. Herod, presiding judge in the 91st District Court revoked the probation of Nicky Loyd Hollis, 20, Monday afternoon. Hollis, formerly of Cisco, had previously been placed on six years probation on August 28, 2006 for Arson and five years probation in 5 other cases for burglary of a building. The Court sentenced Hollis to 10 years in prison for violating the terms and conditions of his probation in the Arson case. Hollis also received 18 months confinement in the State Jail Division of the Texas Department of Criminal Justice in each of the burglary cases. Criminal District Attorney Russ Thomason stated: "The Community Supervision Office and its personnel made extraordinary efforts to rehabilitate Hollis, which he failed to take advantage of, leaving no choice but to seek his imprisonment."

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## P-16 Summit Slated At CJC

CISCO, Texas - The West Central Texas Rural P-16 Council will host a P-16 Summit Feb. 13 from 9 a.m. until 11:30 a.m. at Cisco Junior College in the Student Union Building on the Cisco Campus. The Council is made up of representatives from local public schools, Ranger College and Cisco Junior College.

P-16 is a student-focused, comprehensive and integrated system that links all education levels from Pre-K through post-secondary. Under this umbrella, programs are being developed to arm students and parents with the information and the understanding needed to make a successful transition to higher education.

"With the creation of a P-16 initiative, Texas joins more than 35 other states that actively work to create an environment that encourages post-secondary education with all students," said Amy Dodson, CJC director of student success.

According to Dodson the summit will give school administrators, counselors and curriculum directors an opportunity to discuss P-16 initiatives and state mandates stemming from these initiatives.

"We need students across Texas to recognize that high school shouldn't be the end of their education," Dodson said. "Some studies indicate that almost 60 percent of today's jobs require more advanced training than secondary schools can provide. We need an educated citizenry, and to accomplish this goal, we need to begin bringing together all levels of educators, our parents and our business communities. This summit is a starting point for our area."

The study, Crossing the Great Divide, suggests that fundamental changes in the structure of the economy and the workforce put a much higher premium on academic achievement. In 1959 only 20 percent of workers needed at least some college for their jobs. In 2000, the number had risen to 56 percent. Becoming a high-level generalist is especially important in a fast-paced global economy where workers must continuously upgrade their skills.

Topics to be discussed at the summit will include summer bridge programs, college readiness standards and vertical alignment, cultural/educational awareness and career development. Some discussion will also focus on how the P-16 council and business community can assist service area school districts. In the future, additional summits may include parents, community and business leaders.

## DWI Defendent Receives Eleven Year Sentence

Marvin Leroy Retzloff, 44, formerly of Ft. Worth, Texas, is now an inmate awaiting transfer to state prison to serve an (11) eleven year sentence for the felony offense of Driving While Intoxicated. Retzloff was apprehended on January 28, 2006 by a DPS Trooper on a routine traffic stop. The Trooper began to follow Retzloff's vehicle on Interstate 20 after noting him to cross over the right white fog line with the vehicle's left tires and travel on the improved shoulder for a considerable distance. After activating his emergency lights, the Trooper noted that as Retzloff's vehicle pulled on the shoulder of the roadway there was a deer that had already been hit and Retzloff did not attempt the miss the deer as it came to a stop at the 343 mile marker.

Retzloff had been previously convicted three other times for DWI; in Hill County in 1989 and in Tarrant County in 1997 and 1998. He also had been arrested twice in South Dakota for DWI. Because the Tarrant County DWI conviction was a felony offense, the District Attorney's Office caused the Eastland County charge to be enhanced from a third degree felony to a second degree felony.

Attorney Robert McCleskey represented Retzloff at his hearing with District Attorney Russ Thomason prosecuting.

## Probation Revoked

Presiding Judge Steven Herod adjudicated the probation of DAVID LEE WILLIAMS, age 19, and found him guilty of Possession of Controlled Substance Methamphetamine, Less Than One Gram. Monday morning in the 91st District Court. Williams, an Eastland County resident, had previously been placed on five years deferred adjudication on May 4, 2005 for the drug offense. An amount less than one gram is a mandatory probation case unless the defendant had previously been convicted of a felony. The Court sentenced Williams to two years in the State Jail Division of the Texas Department of Criminal Justice suspended with community supervision for an additional five years and ordered confinement in the SAFTE program for drug offenders as a special term and condition of community supervision.

## Life Skills Valentine Sales

The Gorman ISD life skills class will be selling Valentine bags filled with all kinds of goodies thru February 13th. This year's new items are stuffed gorillas, heart tattoos, and a new style of silicone bracelets. The bags range from \$1.00 to \$4.00. This is a great inexpensive way of buying for your kids, family and or friends.

You may pick up order forms from Ms. Sowell or Mrs. Gonzalez in the Life Skills class located in the rock building on the school campus or in the Elementary and High School offices. The life skills class will also deliver on February 14th. Please don't delay, place your order today while supplies last!

## Senior Citizens News

By Carol Ward

There were 26 present at our dinner on Wednesday the 30th. The weather certainly cooperated, so nice and cool. Now its too warm for winter. I saw a butterfly go through my yard the other day. All sorts of flying critters, the warmth making them hatch out too early. Jud Maxfield gave the blessing of our food for all of us. I really appreciate these people who do us this honor.

I made soup out of our left over turkey we had at the holidays. It would of been better if it had not been smoked, but good. Emma Jane Larch treated us to pizza, thanks a lot, we enjoyed. We had several vegetables dishes, beans, jello, many good cakes, cobbler and cornbread and french bread. Also salad and chick noodle casserole.

We had a new visitor from the hotel, Cleta Edson. Enjoyed meeting her and do hope she returns to be with us. We have missed seeing Anne Fay Foster, I'm sure its due to the colder weather. Hope she can return soon. Jennifer, Annie Fay and Wilburn Overstreet granddaughter was here with us. Also Jill, Martha Rainey's daughter. It is nice to have the young people come and visit with us, also eat.

I went to visit Opal Burton in the nursing home about 10 days ago. She was in the hospital at Eastland. She looked good but seemed a little weaker. I'm sure she was in to build her up with nutrients from the IV. I found out she is now back in Valley View. I'm sure she would love visit from some of you.

Daisy Slaton, Betty Regian and I went for the Breakfast at Desdemona Activity Center. We enjoyed the good food and fellowship. I especially enjoyed seeing Lavella Hallmark, miss her taking our blood pressure every week. We then went on to Stephenville for shopping. Also had my dirty car washed.

We had eleven out for games on the 31st at 4 p.m. We enjoyed playing spinner and 88's. Also break for supper at 6 with some good snacks. Hope all is well and see you next time, Carol.

## EASTER

Well, I have had a little time to catch my breath following the holidays and decided to look at my new 2008 calendar...guess what...Easter just happens to be March 23 this year...so time to get started on this year annual Treasure Hunt and the 2nd Annual Youth in the Dark...if you would like to help with this years Youth in the Dark, please let me know.

If you would like to make a donation to one or both of these event,cans will be set up around town. Donations needed for the Treasure Hunt; anything from money to treasures...no chocolate please. For the Youth in the Dark: money, candy, little treasures, last year the coupons for the movies, pizza, ice cream, ect. went over really well. If you do choose to donate coupons, please just leave them with the merchant you buy them from and they will give them to me.

The Treasure Hunt will be held on Sat. March 22. I will keep you posted as when we will have the Youth in the Dark..

Thanks, Ina

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