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### UIL Practice Meet Held At Tarleton State on Feb. 9th

On February 9th at Tarleton State University UIL Practice Meet was held. Results are as follows:

Calculator — 6th Grade-Connie Gonzalez-1st place-6th Overall Melissa Ramirez-2nd place-1st Overall

Kinsey Johnston-3rd Place-2nd Overall

Calculator — 7th Grade-Jasmeen Delatorre-2nd Place

Dalilah Hipolito-3rd Place

Calculator — 8th Grade-Cortney Shirley-1st Place-3rd Overall
Calculator — 9th Grade — Erica Madera-2nd Place-8th Overall
Number Sense — 8th Grade-JC Whitten-1st Place-4th Overall
Trevor Williams-3rd Place-5th Overall

Great Job of all contestants competing this weekend at Tarle-

ton.

### **Unapproved City Minutes**

FEBRUARY 7, 2008

The Gorman City Commission met on the above date. Those present were Mayor Robert Ervin, Commissioners Nathan Files, Joe Casey, Cliffa Vaughn, and Charlie Torrez. Others present were Chief Barbara Fenley, and Officers Robert Kluge, and Jonathan Shoemaker.

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

Mayor Ervin called the meeting to order @ 5:30 p.m.

Nathan made the motion to approve the minutes as read, noting to correct the type o of nee to need. Joe made a second. Motion carried 4-0.

Cliffa made the motion to approve the bills for payment. Charlie made a second. Motion carried 4-0.

Reports were submitted by department heads. The mayor and commission reviewed each report.

Cliffa reported the money proceeds from the Doodle Bug Train Ride. She stated she would like to see the proceeds go towards some of the needed pool repairs.

The Commission agreed to that. Cliffa also reported that she and Diane Snider were going to donate grass burr killer to be put out by the city at the pool area.

Tacy needs to call the county adult probation department about the jobs the city has for community service workers.

The police department and the commission discussed the truck parking details of the new ordinance amendment.

Joe made the motion to order the City of Gorman May 10, 2008 General Election to be held. Cliffa made a second. Motion carried 4-0

The second reading of Ordinance #2008-07 Atmos Energy rate case was read at this time. Nathan made the motion to approve and adopt said ordinance with a second from Cliffa. Motion carried 4-0.

There being no further business for discussion Nathan made a motion to adjourn with a second from Charlie. Motion carried, time was 6:45 p.m.

## Melissa Jobe and Travis Walston Pledge Vows



On December 16, 2007, a happy group of close friends and relatives gathered as Melissa Renea Jobe and Travis Lane Walston were united in marriage at the Green Oaks Wedding Chapel in Arlington. Melissa is the daughter of Leisa Jobe of Athens and the late Rex Jobe of Gorman. She is the granddaughter of Durward and Mary Webb and LaVelle Jobe, the great granddaughter of Anna Lois Watson, all of Gorman. Travis is the son of Gary and Jo Walston of Desdemona. He is the grandson of Alta Mae Wilcoxson of Odessa.

Durward Webb officiated the ceremony. Matron of Honor was Setphanie Catoe of Fort Worth. Bridesmaid was Kate Watts of Arlington. Best man was Patrick Alemon of Odessa and groomsman was Grant Walston of Desdemona. Trevor Walston, son of the groom, was ring bearer. He carried a special Thomas the Train pillow. Music was provided by Eunice Shae of Arlington and the reception was catered by Cool River.

The bride graduated from Gorman High School in 1995 and the University of Texas at Arlington in 1999. She is employed as a Registered Nurse at Baylor Medical Center in Irving. The groom graduated from Gorman High School in 1994 and attended Ranger College. He is a Certified Welder and owner of Walston Welding.

The couple spent a week sightseeing in London and Brighton, England on their honeymoon. Travis and Melissa will make their home in Fort Worth.

### Gorman Fire, Desdemona Fire, and Gorman Police Honored



The Gorman Volunteer Fire Department was honored with a dinner by the Gorman Order of the Eastern Star to show their appreciation of the Fire Department for all they do for Gorman and the area. A certificate appreciation was presented to Fire Chief Gene Foster by Worthy Matron LeVona Highsmith Patton.



The Desdemona Volunteer Fire Department was honored with a dinner by the Gorman Chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star to show their appreciation of the Fire Department for all they do for Desdemona, Gorman and the surrounding area. Assistant Fire Chief Kerry Travis accepts a Certificate of Appreciation for Worthy Matron LeVona Highsmith Patton.

### 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.

#### Historical Program at Breckenridge Library

The Breckenridge Library, Breckenridge Chamber of Commerce and the Friends of Historic Breckenridge are sponsoring a program entitled "The Milling Brothers, Mystic Healers" by Gene Fowler to be performed in the historic Breckenridge National Theatre on Saturday, February 23rd at 3 p.m. in the afternoon. For questions, please call the Breckenridge Library at 254-559-5505.

Bar-B-Que Benefit for Harold "Buckshot" and Betty Lewis will be held on Friday, February 15th at Trent Thomas Used Car Lot, intersection of Highway 6 and 16 in De Leon. Invitation to come and enjoy a Bar-B-Que Bun with all the extra trimmings. Hours 10 a.m. To 2 p.m. Or ?? The Lewis Family lost their home by fire in the Jakehamon Community.

# Notice: City Elections Will Be Held May 10, 2008

The terms that will be expiring this year are Mayor, Commissioner Place #2 and Commissioner Place #4. First day to apply for a place on the ballot is February 9, 2008; the last day to do so is March 10, 2008.

#### **Notice Of Meeting**

Notice is hereby given that Eastland County Commissioner's Court will meet in a Special Called Meeting at 1:00 p.m. On Thursday, February 14, 2008 in Eastland County Commissioner's Courtroom, Eastland, Texas, to consider the following agenda items:

1. Fill Vacancy in County Clerk's Office

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



The Gorman Police Department was honored with a dinner by the Order of the Eastern Star to show their appreciation for the Gorman Police Department. John Shoemaker accepts the Certificate of Appreciation from Worthy Matron LeVona Patton.

City Judge Vickie Seay was also honored but was unable to

attend.

#### **Community Classes In Oil Painting Set**

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.

## GISD School Menu

FEB. 18 THRU FEB. 22

BREAKFAST

MONDAY - Cereal, Yogurt, Juice and Milk.

TUESDAY - Breakfast Casserole, Juice and Milk.

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WEDNESDAY - French Toast Sticks, Fruit, Juice and Milk.

THURSDAY - Oatmeal, Toast, Juice and Milk.

FRIDAY - Biscuit, Bacon, Eggs, Juice and Milk.

LUNCH

MONDAY - Chicken/Dumplings, Lasagna, Tossed Salad, Fresh Carrots, Crackers, Fruit, and Milk.

TUESDAY - Beef Fajita, Chicken Fajita, Refried Beans, Spanish Rice, Tossed Salad, Crackers, Spice Cake and Milk.

WEDNESDAY - Spaghetti/Meat Sauce, Chicken Wraps, Seasoned Corn, Bread Sticks, Orange Smiles and Milk.

THURSDAY - Meat Loaf, Chicken Rings, Cream Potatoes, Corn Nuggets, Roll, Fruit and Milk.

FRIDAY - Chicken Pot Pie, Cheese Pizza, Tossed Salad, Crackers, Sparkle Apples, Crispy Rice Treat and Milk.

#### 4-HNEWS

County Extension Agents -- Heath Begeman and Halee Mitchell

#### 4-H LIVESTOCK JUDGING TEAM

http://www.bigtex.comIf you want to participate on the 4-H Livestock Judging Team, you need to call the Texas AgriLife Extension Service Office at 629-1093 or 629-2222 and give us your name by February 22nd. We will start 4-H Livestock Judging in early March. Do Not Forget To Call!!! We will notify those interested of work-out schedules, location, etc.

If you have any questions, please contact Heath Begeman, County Extension Agent, at 629-1093 or 629-2222.

#### items of interest

SANDRA CAGLE WILL BE IN GORMAN AT THE CITY OFFICE TO RENEW AUTO LICENSE PLATES. HER NEXT VISIT IS WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 20Th 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 – 7:00 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. Techology Center / Gorman Community Center. Contact Lee or Amy Wood at 254-734-2973.

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

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NEW - 24.156 A near Gorman: 50 -

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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/HA, 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.

179 A. south of Gorman: Part wooded, part old fields, deer & hogs, 2 nice ponds, sandy soil, elec., several water wells, condition is unknown. \$2,350.00 acre. SELLERS SAYS MAKE OFFER!!

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#### **Bonnie Elaine Williams**

CARBON- Bonnie Elaine Williams age 48 of Carbon died at her residence Thursday February 7, 2008. Funeral Services will be 3 PM Sunday in the Edwards Funeral Chapel in Eastland with Rev. Jody Forbus officiating; Burial will follow in Eastland City Cemetery.

Born Feb. 17, 1959 in Brady Texas to J.W. Clark and Willa Jean Jones Clark who preceded her in death. She was raised in Brady and Carbon Texas she married Wayne Williams in Brady on Sept. 8, 1979 and they made their home in Carbon. She worked in home health and for Eastland Health-She was a member of Carbon Community Baptist Church and enjoyed walking around Carbon and Visiting with people, cooking Bar B Q, traveling and watching wildlife, especially deer.

She is survived by: Husband Wayne Williams of Carbon, 2 Brothers, Barry Clark of Comanche Texas, Ben Clark of San Angelo Texas, 5 Sisters, Rosa McDowell of Eastland Texas, Laura Clark of Eastland, Texas, Joan Holman of Abilene Texas, Karen Clark of Weatherford, Texas, Sharon Stratton of Brady; and many Nieces and Nephews.

#### **Helen Blanch Barton**

Helen Blanch Barton, age 97 of Comanche, passed away Wednesday, February 6, 2008 at Comanche County Medical Center. Services were held Saturday, February 9th at 2 p.m. at Nowling Funeral Home Chapel with Harold Higginbotham officiating. Music by Roy Dale Freeman and Nelda Priddy. Burial was in Rock Church Cemetery in Tolar.

She was born on October 29, 1910 in Mountain View, Oklahoma to the late Arthur E. Carsten and Arletta Lesetta Brust. She married Floyd Henry Barton in Clayton, NM.

She was a homemaker and rancher; had lived in Comanche are since 1974, having previously lived in Cheyenne, OK. She was a member of Zion Hill Baptist Church.

Survivors include two sons, Floyd Otto Barton of Arizona and Bobby Joe Barton of Oklahoma; 6 grandchildren; 11 great-grandchildren and 4 great-great-grandchildren.

She was preceded by her husband, Floyd Henry Barton; one daughter, Iris Townsend, one brother Edward Carsten and sister Irene McKee.

### POLITICAL CALENDAR

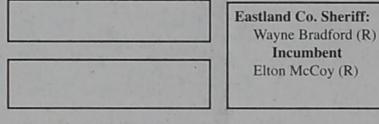
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The Gorman Progress is authorized to make the following political announcement, subject to the action of the Primary Election, March 4, 2008.



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Comanche Office: 325-356-3739 **Broker: Robert Gilder** Agents: Ronnie Golden, David Gilder, Wayne Parsons, Bobby Newman, Debbie Gilder, Neal Butler

FARMS, RANCHES & RECREATIONAL 613 A, 3-2 Brick Home, carport, barn, wells & tanks, creek &

hunting, partial minerals & royalities \$2,025,000 [wwo2] • 455 A, wells & tanks, creek, tree covered hills, wildlife cover, hunting, Hwy.6 frontage \$1,912,000 [RS01]

• 380± A, wells & tanks, gentle roling terrain, producing gas wells \$950,000 REDUCED \$931,000 [cwo1] 328 A, High Fenced Game Ranch, hunting cabin, wells & tanks \$1,526,000 REDUCED \$1,310,360 [RR01] 250± A, on Copperas Creek, 150 wooded, 100 coastal, lake,

tanks, cabin, hwy. frontage, rural water \$850,000 [LB01] • 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 [DS02] 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 [L001]

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]

30 A, 3-21/2 Custom Built Home, garage, porch, RV shed & shop, barn, wells & tanks, Hwy.16 frontage \$450,000 [DB01] 25.6 A, 4-21/2 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 [MP01] 20 A, approx. 40% wooded, remainder in costal, rural water

14±A, 3-2 Brick Home, fireplace, fenced yards, garages & storage buildings, hwy. frontage \$180,000 [FW01]

available, hunting \$75,000 [WMO1]

11 A, 16'x70' Mobile Home, metal awning, well, rural water, oak trees \$70,000 [TC01] 8.6 A, 3-2 Frame Home, water well, above ground pool with deck, horse barn \$129,900 [KIO1]

81/2 A, 3-2 Metal Frame Home, near Lake Proctor, work shop, wells, underground sprinkler system \$265,000 [JT02]

7± A, Metal Building on slab, large oak trees, pecan orchard, hwy. frontage, water well \$65,000 [FW02] 5 A, 4-2 Brick Home, metal roof, carport, storage buildings, pecan trees, wells & tanks \$120,000 [WK01]

RESIDENCES & HOME SITES 3-2½ Custom Brick Home, approx. 1.4 acre, 3 car garage, rural water, paved drive, storage building \$297,500 [DVL01] 3-2 Double Wide, screened porch, workshop, wells, 2 large

lots and older frame home \$135,000 [JA02] 3-3 Brick Home, approx. 1 acre, carport, well, underground sprinkler, C H/A, storage bldgs. \$130,000 [BC02] 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 \$105,000 REDUCED \$90,000 [wco1]

• 2-11/2 Frame Home, garage, storage building \$75,000 [ST01]

2-1 Frame Home, 2.3 A, screened porch, well \$55,000 [GB02

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#### Winnie Bryce Calhoun

Winnie Bryce Calhoun, age 77 of Stephenville passed away Sunday, February 10, 2008 at North Hills Hospital, North Richland Hills. Services were held Tuesday, Feb. 12th at 2 p.m. At St. Joe Baptist Church in De Leon with Jackie Auvenshine officiating. Music by Ruby Solomon and St. Joe Baptist Church Choir. Burial was in De Leon Cem-

She was born October 14, 1930 in Rock Ridge, OK to the late Tom Bryce and Sarah Few Bryce. She married P. M. "Melvin" Calhoun on June 3, 1950 in Van Buren, AR.

She was a beloved wife, mother and mema, a homemaker; care for a while, she was a Homemaker and enjoyed taking care of children. member of Calvary Baptist Church in Stephenville; had previously lived in De Leon, Pottsville and Gordon before retiring to Stephenville in

> Survivors include her husband, Melvin Calhoun of Stephenville; two daughters, Beth Callison and husband Lannes of De Leon and Melody Reed and her husband Rod of Rowena, TX; brother, Jess Bryce of Poteet, TX; sister, Sib Ary of Stigler, OK; two grandchildren, Laramie Callison and wife Stephanie and Morgan Reed; two great-grandchildren, McKenna and Lander Callison and many nieces, nephews and friends.

Pallbearers were Lannes Callison, Laramie Callison, Rod Reed, David Gilder, Derek Gilder and Jerry Don Warren.

Memorials may be made to St. Joe Baptist Church Building Fund, P. O. Box 201, De Leon, Texas 76444.

#### **Donnis Maxine Franks**

FORNEY- Donnis Maxine Franks age 53 of Forney departed this world to be with her Lord and Savior Saturday Feb. 9, 2008 at her residence in Forney.

Funeral Services were Tuesday 2 PM at the Gunsight Baptist Church with Rev. Rex. Boggs officiating, burial followed in Eastland City Cemetery directed by Edwards Funeral Home of Eastland.

Born March 3, 1954 in Dallas to Herbert Douglas Rice and Lillian Darlene Hume Rice, she was a graduate of Seagoville High School. She worked in the Mayor's office in

Houston, as a photographer for the Bridgeport Newspaper and as a Lobbyist in Austin while she was active. She had a good sense of humor and was sensitive caring and considerate.

She is survived by: 2 Sons, Skyler Daniel of Forney Tx and Shawn Franks of Lake Worth Tx; Mother - Lillian Darlene Raley of Forney Tx; Sisters, Gwen Lemons and husband Paul of Forney Tx and Brenda Holt and Husband Sidney of Carbon Tx; one Step Brother, Richard Lee Raley of Groesbeck Tx.

She was preceded in death by her Father, Herbert Rice, Step Father, Richard Raley, Sisters, Sherry Joann Thompson and Sandra Kay LoGrande.

#### **INCOME TAX PREPARATION**

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Requirements

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### **Pig Tales From Hogtown**

The first public library in Desdemona will open Tuesday, March 4, 2008. We are very excited about this. We will have an open house and refreshments on that day. I will have more details at a later date.

Please mark your calendars for Feb. 23. The DAC will hold a fish fry and music night. The fish fry will begin at 5:00 P.M. with country and bluegrass music to follow. The cost is \$15.00 for adults, \$5.00 for children under 12 and children 6 and under are free. Come and see Dr. Dan and the Band-Aids and Lonesome Prairie. You will enjoy the evening!

Tuesday night is domino night at the DAC. We would like to invite everyone to come. If you don't play dominos, bring your own games to play. If you like to jam, bring your instruments and play.

See you at the DAC!

Carol Pell

### Program Helps Texans Refresh Local Waterways

(AUSTIN, Texas) - With spring right around the corner, the Texas Waterway Cleanup Program stands ready to help Texas rivers and lakes get well-deserved face-lifts. This statewide effort provides free cleanup supplies, educational materials, and promotional support to help Texans beautify and improve the quality of their local waterways.

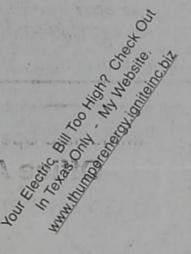
The program, a partnership between Keep Texas Beautiful and the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, focuses on helping groups of any size host environmental education activities and cleanups of freshwater areas including lakes, rivers, creeks, and wetlands across the state. Participants include schools, government agencies, youth and scout groups, neighborhoods, businesses, or any group of concerned Texans.

"The Texas Waterway Cleanup offers such an easy way for people to beautify their communities that everyone should participate," said Keep Texas Beautiful President Steve Hazlewood. "The program supports a wide range of activities and distributes, at no cost to the participant, many of the necessary tools for volunteers to help improve the water quality and aesthetic appeal of their state."

Registrants in the program receive FREE cleanup supplies such as trash bags, disposable gloves, litter pickup tools, hand sanitizer, sunblock, scout patches, and volunteer giveaway items, as well as promotional support. Last fall, volunteers supported 142 cleanup and water quality events across the state, with more than 11,500 volunteers collecting more than 264,000 pounds of debris from and around Texas water-

To get more information on the Texas Waterway Cleanup Program, register an event, or find out if there is a cleanup scheduled near you, visit www.ktb.org or call 1-800-CLEAN-TX.

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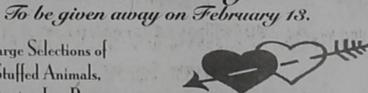
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## New Dispute Resolution & Legal Center Open At Connellee Hotel in Eastland

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Resolution & Legal Center at the Connellee Hotel in Eastland comfortable facility and legal center for attornies throughout opened this week with the first case heard Friday. At right is this area.

distinguished Retired Chief Justice Austin McCloud of the 11th Court of Appeals who is the first mediator of the Center. At left is Debbie Wharton, managing director of the refurbished, historic Connellee Hotel in downtown Eastland. The legal center is located on the seventh floor where elaborate offices, conference rooms and Judge McCloud's office have just

been decorated and placed into service. Another mediator from the area has already made arrangements to hold sessions at the Center and bookings are already being scheduled with

OPEN AND ALREADY BUSY - The new Dispute Judge McCloud. The Center was conceived as a private and

The Center may be contacted by phone at 254-631-0524, or at 209 W. Main St., Eastland, TX 76448, Mrs. Wharton may be contacted at 254-631-0708.

The Connellee is near the developing Austin McCloud Appeallate Court Museum, an educational/instructional center to open in 2009, which will be located in the building which was originally the first

Eastland County Courthouse. The 11th Court of Appeals is one of 14 Appeals courts in Texas and has a long and distinguished history in Eastland.

### A Look at the Dispute Resolution Center at the Connellee Hotel

The new dispute resolution center located at the Connellee Hotel will be an important regional and statewide facility for the resolution of conflicts and lawsuits from around the area, and around the state. Thursday, Judge McCloud remarked on this new enhancement to the Eastland area. The Connellee Dispute Resolution Center will be part of a facility that will be available for attorneys to conduct a wide variety of legal activities, including depositions and events. The facility also has total wireless communications capability.

Judge McCloud: "The idea of mediation is to bring parties who are in conflict into a non-adversarial setting, to try to reach a mutual agreement for the resolution to conflicts, by letting

each side to understand the position of the other." "Some district judges now require a mediation session

before a trial is to take place. Somewhere around seventyfive per cent of cases mediated is now settled through the process. Many attorneys are starting to see that they would like to try mediation and are becoming advocates of the procedure. It's a good process."

"With only fourteen courts of appeals and eighty-two appeals judges in the state, the courts are very busy. In Texas, these courts handle both civil and criminal appeals. The 11th Court of Appeals here in Eastland is receiving cases from all over the state to ease the dockets from the more populated counties."

"The public should know that there is a difference between arbitration and mediation. Arbitrators hear evidence and make a decision. The parties usually agree that the decision will be final, by agreement. Mediators, on the other hand, facilitate the arrival of an agreement between the two parties."

"Many people want to solve the conflicts and get on with their lives, without going through the full cycle of litigation, a process that can be unpredictable."

"The facility has multiple rooms to allow various seating arrangements, and there are nice accommodations of a coffee bar and a break room. Once the Bar learns of this, it should be well used. There are five mediations already set. I continue to applaud the leadership of the Eastland, for facilitating this complex and other enhancements to the community."

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## **Purple Martins Arrive in Texas; Scout Reports Logged Online**



In the birding world, few species generate more excitement than does the "Purple Martin," a swallow that is arriving now in Texas, with reports of "scouts" logged almost daily online.

Purple martins, the largest of the swallows in North America, are totally dependent on man-made housing and faithfully return to the same locations each year, so it's understandable that human "landlords" anxiously await the return of "their" birds from wintering grounds in South America:

Some of the earliest arrivals to the eastern U.S. occur in south Texas and dates/locations are watched by martin enthusiasts nationally on an online database - at www.purplemartin.org -- maintained by the Purple Martin Conservation Association (PMCA), a nonprofit conservation organization.

The earliest arriving martin recorded in Texas this season occurred Jan. 19 in Port O'Connor. Among other early arrivals: Jan. 23 in Alvin; Jan. 29 San Antonio and Jan. 30 in Houston.

While the south coastal areas tend to get a few arrivals in January, purple martins begin returning to central Texas after about Feb. 1, according to a PMCA migration map. Migration is drawn out with new arrivals continuing into March.

The first wave consists of so-called "adult" martins – those two or more years old, with adult males sporting full dark-purple color. Females are a bit drab, with a gray breast. One-year-old martins - called "sub adults" -- arrive 10 to 12 weeks later than the older birds - well into April. These younger birds are more easily attracted to new housing locations.

Purple martins prefer to nest in colonies in gourds hung from large racks and in multi-compartment birdhouses. The birds nest throughout central and eastern Texas with the greatest populations east and a gradual absence in West Texas.

The PMCA recently analyzed long-term data from the North American Breeding Bird Survey (BBS) and found that - thanks to devoted men and women who erect and maintain housing - purple martin populations overall are holding steady in North America - with exceptions in some states -- and appear to be increasing in Texas.

However, despite relative abundance in Texas, many people try for years to attract purple martins without success, or their colonies disappear. Hobbyists may be unaware that problems such as competition from invasive non-native birds -- European starlings and House Sparrows -- or predation caused abandonment.

While generations of Americans have hosted purple martins - the custom adopted from Native Americans who hung out nesting gourds specific techniques to help a colony thrive emerged in the past decade, based on research conducted by the PMCA and landlords in the field.

Among innovations are deeper compartments to protect nestlings from rain and aerial predators such as owls, specially-shaped entrance holes designed to admit martins while restricting starlings - and unique pole guards to thwart ground predators: rat snakes and raccoons.

Because purple martins are birds of the open sky -- catching insects on the fly -- the PMCA's number one tip: place housing in the most open space available, but where the colony can be enjoyed and monitored.

More information about purple martins can be obtained from the Purple Martin Conservation Association - which is focused on aiding martins and landlords -- including a products catalog and information booklet, with advice on attracting and managing a colony, and data sheets to participate in "Project MartinWatch" a national effort in which participants monitor nests and mail information to the PMCA at season's

To obtain the booklet, contact the PMCA at 814-833-7656 or online at purplemartin.org.

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### **Super Notes**

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

For those of you that do not know it, DeLeon suffered a tragic loss last week when a young girl, Paige Sanders, was killed in a four wheeler accident. My heart goes out to her family and friends in this time of grief. I know she will be missed by all that knew her. Paige was a beautiful young woman that was very active athletically and a good competitor. I can't help but being reminded just how fragile life is and how precious. Please pray for her family and friends that God's healing and peace will take place of the pain they are suffering now.

We still have many students and teachers out sick. Please don't send your children to school sick. Keep them at home for a couple of days and give them a chance to recover before returning. Sending them to school sick only prolongs the problem by spreading illness.

We gained ten new students last week! That is great news. We had one new family move to town, plus two transfers from Ranger and two transfers from DeLeon. I hope this is a sign that we are doing some things right and that people are coming to our school because of the great things they have heard are happening here regarding our academic and athletic achieve-

Our girl's softball team had their first scrimmage last Friday against Dublin. I saw a lot of good things. It looks like our girls will be competitive! We actually will have some depth with regard to pitchers this of Gorman. There may be other names that I missed. If so - let me year and plenty of girls to play.

Don't forget to call me or e-mail if you know of a home for rent or sale in the Gorman school district. I still don't have a good list of homes for those folks wanting to move to Gorman to go to our school. Of course, we do take transfers, but if a family has a high school student that participates in sports, the child can't participate in anything but sub-varsity sports for one year from the date of their transfer. Even a move-ins has to wait fifteen days before they are eligible to compete athletically or academically.

We had several students travel to Tarleton University Saturday to House! compete in a practice U.I.L. Academic meet. We also had students competing in debate at Tolar. Here are the results of the meet in Stephenville:

6th grade Calculator: 1st Melissa Ramirez, 2nd Kinsey Johnston, Melissa and Kinsey also placed 1st and 2nd overall. Connie Gonzales placed 6th overall.

7th grade Calculator: 2nd Jasmeen Delatorre, 3rd Dalila Hipoli-

8th Grade Calculator: 1st Cortney Shirley, 2nd Erica Madera, Cortney and Erica also placed 3rd and 4th overall.

8th Grade Number Sense: 1st J.C. Whitten, 3rd Trevor Williams, J.C. and Trevor also placed 4th and 5th overall.

11th Grade Calculator: 7th Nathan Flanary

These students participated and did not place: MyKisha Hampton, Brandon Velasquez, Raven Kehl, Marcy Gonzales, Erica Limon, Adriana Madera, Clifton Lipson, Brandy Carlton, Tecia Jones, Reba Granado, Audrey Johnston, Nicole Cogburn, Matt Cogburn, and Trey Underwood.

We were represented by Trey Underwood and Carlos Gutierrez at the District Cross-Ex Debate Meet in Tolar. They did not place, but did well for their first year. Congratulations and thank you to all these fine young people for giving of themselves to represent their school. Please encourage your children to participate in U.I.L. Academics!

The San Antonio Stock Show is in full swing and we have had several students show. We even had one catch a calf at the scramble this 3. Come to Christ first when life hurts. - Do you go to Christ first or weekend, Justin Little. I'm sure Mr. Boles will publish a complete list of the last? students that participated in the show and how they did after he returns at the conclusion of the show. Mr. Panter stopped in last Wednesday to check on things at the show and see how we were doing before going to Austin on Thursday to meet with our technology staff that was in attendance at the annual technology conference at the convention center to look for possible furnishings for the new high school. He brought back a lot of information with some new ideas for us to consider. I am glad Mr. Panter was able to make it down there to show our support for the Ag program. Everyone needs encouragement!

Did you know that Gorman I.S.D. has a very informative website? 88.7FM. Many times I get requests for information from people and the information they want is right there on our website. Our school policy is online as well as our check register, conflict of interest statements, teacher websites, and the budget. We even have links to state agencies and to area politicians' websites. We want you to be informed about your school. We have the student handbook and code of conduct there too. We have everything for which we are accountable posted for your access anytime you wish to look us over. If you take a look and have any questions, please call or e-mail me.

We also post the notice and agenda for all school board meetings online as well as at the school. Monday night was our regular meeting for February. The meeting opened at 7:00pm with a prayer by Daryl Hirst and then the Pledge of Allegiance. President Harrington then moved to item #9 on the agenda and Denver Rainey presented his bids for roofing the twostory. No action was taken. Mr. Perry is going to confer with Ron Childers and do a comparison between Mr. Rainey's foam material and the Duro-Last material that was just installed on the one-story Maxfield Elementary building. Then board then proceeded to approve the consent items. President Harrington then reported on her trip to Washington D.C. with the group from the Texas Association of School Boards. She had the opportunity to meet with legislators regarding the needs of rural schools in Texas and about changes needed in the No Child Left behind legislation. We are very fortunate that she was able to attend. I might add that she was very proud to be able to tell the legislators that our high school had been identified by U.S. News and World Report as one of the best high schools in the country and that our elementary campus was recognized. Then the standard reports were given. Unfortunately the main focus of the reports was all the sickness that is prevalent in our school and community right now. Our absences are high for both teachers and students right now. The good news is that our enrollment is at 373 right now. The following action was taken: GISD will pay expenses to fingerprint at-will employees, plus mileage; approved the calendar for the 2008-2009 school year; approved the sale of three old busses; called for a trustee election on May 10, 2008; approved the amended joint election agreement with the city of Gorman; approved adding President Harrington, VP Simmons, and Supt. Perry to GISD's Lonstar Investment Pool account; and received the first reading of TASB Policy update 82. The board then, on the recommendation of Superintendent Perry, extended the contracts of Rick Panter, Mary Reeves, Laticia Hampton, and Paul Talbert through the 2009-2010 school year. The meeting then adjourned at 9:30pm. All board members were present as well as Superintendent Perry, Principal Panter, Counselor Hampton, and AD Talbert. Principal Reeves was absent due to illness. Our guests were Denver Rainey and Beatrice Ramirez.

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!

> David K. Perry Superintendent Gorman ISD

### **Buzz Free Bowling!**

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### **Desdemona News**

By Vonnie Guthery

Ladies Monthly Social was held on Monday, February 11th at the Community Center School Building. Twenty ladies attended this morning event to enjoy the good food and fellowship. Hostesses were Joy Rogers of Gorman and Gail Clayton of Desdemona. The next social will be held on Monday morning, March 10th at the same place and same time. Visitors are welcome.

Bar-B-Que Benefit for Harold "Buckshot" and Betty Lewis will be held on Friday, February 15th at Trent Thomas Used Car Lot, intersection of Highway 6 and 16 in De Leon. Invitation to come and enjoy a Bar-B-Que Bun with all the extra trimmings. Hours 10 a.m. To 2 p.m. Or ?? The Lewis Family lost their home by fire in the Jakehamon Community.

Several friends and neighbors in our Community are on the sick list. They are Dolores Tucker - Sue Pettigrew, Ruth Lewis, Moody Koonce, Coy Clayton, L. E. Singleton and Mildred Million all of Desdemona. Jackie Walls of School Hill and Eula Lee Miears know, OK?

Thanks and have a great day, Vonnie.

### **Happenings At FBC!!**

Sweet things are happening! Sweet faces fill the Lord's

This Thursday, Feb. 14th, is Valentine's Day so make it special and Celebrate knowing Jesus loves you; as well as Celebrating your love

Join us on Wednesday at 6:30pm - Bro. Barry will be taking us on a journey of Personal Discipline, Devotion, and Dedication.

Aaron Keith delivered a terrific Children's Sermon. Aaron showed the equipment a catcher wears during a baseball game. Then he read Ephesians 6 telling about the Armor of God. Just like a catcher uses his gear to protect him during the baseball game, we need to suit up with the Armor of God to protect and guide us in our life.

Bro. Barry's sermon was "Life Hurts" - John 20:24-25. How many of us are like Thomas and want to see to believe?

Principle For Life: If you want to live an emotionally healthy and happy life you must discover how to handle the Hurts that come.

Types of Weakness and Hurts: Some are abuse from other people. – Innocent victims. 2. Some are related to our personalities. - Feelings

Some are caused by life. – Illness or tragic accidents.

II Corinthians 12:10

Don't curse life's hurts. – Are you Better or Bitter?

2. Don't rehearse and nurse the hurts. - Do you keep bringing it up?

You can't help it when the hurt comes, however, You CAN help it if the Hurt lasts.

God is bigger than all of your hurts and problems - don't let them last!

New members: the Justin and Cindy Underwood family, Mr. Dalton Taylor, the Bill and Rebekah Bates family, and Mr. Orlando Valenzuela joined our Fellowship.

Our Worship Service is being broadcast on the radio - Dark, please let me know.

God Bless and Keep You. See you next Sunday.

#### Halee Mitchell County Extension Agent-FCS

**Eastland County** TYPE 2 DIABETES

Do you feel like you need to know more about how to take care of your Type 2 Diabetes? If you were recently diagnosed or you have had diabetes a long time, you can benefit from learning the latest things about taking care of yourself so you canreduce your risks for complications, such as reduced vision or nerve

An important tool for managing your diabetes is your glucose meter. Some people avoid checking their blood glucose because pricking their fingers for a sample hurts too much. Some people were taught the best place to get a blood sample is the central part of their finger tip, which is actually the most sensitive part of the finger tip. Pricking your finger there is going to hurt more than the side of your fingertip. Learning how to test on the side of the fingertip instead significantly reduces pain. Furthermore, today, most meters and strips allow you to check your blood glucose in other sites, such as on your arm between your elbow and wrist. New lancet sets allow you to reduce the depth of the needle prick and to use a thinner needle because smaller drops of blood are required to get a good reading. Many people report their pain and discomfort are reduced to almost nothing once they get new equipment and learn how to use it properly.

Have you heard about insulin pens or new insulins that control your blood glucose with no peaks over a 24 hour period? Just what is rapid acting insulin, and shy do so many people like to use it? There are many new oral medicines, too. Do you really have to use alcohol when you prick your finger or give your insulin injection?

Do you understand what your doctor is telling you when she says your hemoglobin A1C is too high? Is 8 percent too high when less than 7 percent is the recommendation by the American Diabetes Association?

While taking care of your diabetes is not easy, you might be surprised to learn that there are many new tools and methods to help you keep your blood glucose in the recommended ranges.

Texas AgriLife Extension Service in Eastland County is of fering a five class series with nine topics called Do Well, Be Well With Diabetes. These classes are being taught by a team of volunteer nurses, dietitians, pharmacists, and other health professionals to provide you with the latest information on how to better

manage your type 2 diabetes. Selfmanagement of type 2 diabetes has changed a lot. Come to these classes and learn how to not only make your life with diabetes easier, but how to reduce your chances for complications. Classes are free. Call County Extension Agent, Halee Mitchell at 254/629-2222 to enroll now. Information for this article came from

Carol A. Rice, PhD, RN, Extension Health Specialist, Texas AgriLife Extension Service, Texas A&M System, January, 2008.

### **Senior Citizens News**

By Carol Ward

We had a great turnout of 30 people on the 6th for our dinner at 11:30. It was 29 that morning but warmed nicely by dinner time. Wish that many and more would come every week. Bro. Frank Shirley gave the prayer for us all. So glad to see him and Beth back with us. They had been gone to Temple for awhile so Frank could have some heart tests. He and Beth both looking great. She brought her good Coconut Cake, Yum!!!

So sorry to hear of Eula Miears illness. We miss them being with us. They were our regulars. She will start treatment for the problem soon. Hope all turns out for the best in the future and they can return and be with us.

I was so happy to see Annie Fay Foster and Billie Bennett. They had missed for awhile. Annie is our bell ringer to try and get their attention so we can start our meeting. It sure is hard at times people don't want to stop talking, HA!!! Hope I don't have to shout the next gathering. I know how it is, I also like to talk, been quilty my self.

Our meal as so good and looked great on the table. Good presentation, this doesn't always happen. We had Pork roast, turkey, carrots and potatoes, salad and Cole slaw, all kinds of veggies, deviled eggs, egg custard, and all kinds of cakes, brownies and fruit salads. A really good variety. It was enjoyed by all. Most people bring dishes, but some pay. We need them to help buy our supplies. Thanks to all who participate.

Our new ladies hadn't been back. I heard Ellen Parker had been gone from town. I do hope Cleta Edson will return in the future. I try to make them feel welcome, but I get very busy at times. Jerry Underwood couldn't be here and she is such a help. I did miss her. Dixie Pack got right in there and helped me. Sure appreciated her efforts. Barbara Bush and Betty Regian came early but we had about completed all. I thank all the ladies.

The Ladies from Medway Home Healthcare came and did their duties of taking our blood pressure and blood sugar. We sure appreciate their coming at the 1st Wed of the month. We missed them last month as they had some other comenement.

Daisy Slaton and I traveled to Eastland on Saturday the 9th to shop, also to visit Opal Burton. She was not in a good mood, so we didn't stay long. I guess if I was in her shape, I would be contrary also. I hated leaving her setting in that hall looking so sad. I do hope some of you visit her.

We had 10 out on Thursday night the 7th for games. Our snacks have turned into supper. We had sandwiches, B-B-Que Pork from the meal the day before and many goodies, also Jello. We all enjoyed playing 42, Spinner and 88's. Come on out people, your missing a good time.

Hope all is well and see you at the next dinner and game night.

Carol

Well, I have had a little time to catch my breath following the holidays and decied 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

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

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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