

# The Gorman Progress

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## Farm Service Agency Disaster Program Sign up Begins Jan. 10, 2011

USDA Farm Service Agency (FSA) announced that 2009 crop year Supplemental Revenue Assistance Payments (SURE) program sign-up begins on Jan. 10, 2011. SURE is a disaster program that provides assistance to farmers and ranchers who have experienced losses caused by natural disasters.

Natural disasters can turn what would be a profitable crop year into a year of hardship and financial loss. The SURE program is part of the 'safety net' that provides assistance to farmers and ranchers when disaster strikes.

For information on the 2009 SURE program eligibility requirements visit your local FSA office or <http://www.fsa.usda.gov/sure>.

## Football, Basketball Coaches Chosen For 2011 FCA All-Star Classic

Coaching staffs for the 2011 Myrle Greathouse Big Country FCA All-Star Classic football and basketball games have been selected. Heading up the 12th annual football game will be head coaches Quinn Conley of Baird for the North and Russell Joy of Mason for the South.

Brent Palmer of Abilene High (North) and Heather Hohertz of Brownwood (South) will be the head coaches for the 3rd annual women's basketball classic. Assistant basketball coaches are Alan Thorpe of Stephenville for the North and Billy Whyburn of Irion County for the South.

Both games are set for June 4 with all proceeds benefitting the Big Country chapter of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes. The football game will be held at Shotwell Stadium and the basketball game is set for Abilene Christian University's Moody Coliseum.

Joining Conley on the North football coach staff are Dustin Altmiller of Rotan, Ken Colley of Haskell, Kenny Davidson of Graham and David Ritchey of Clyde. For the South, assistant football coaches will be Jeryl Brixey of Comanche, Charlie Bunch of Gorman, Aaron Keese of Ballinger and David Sine of Sonora.

Players and cheerleaders for the 2011 all-star games will be announced on Feb. 13. All participants will be honored at the All-Star Classic Sharing the Victory Banquet on April 17.

Assistant Coach Bio - **Charlie Bunch of Gorman** - A 13-year veteran of coaching, Bunch became head coach at Gorman after serving on the staffs at Sul Ross State University, Pecos, Eldorado, San Antonio Stevens and San Angelo Central. He is a graduate of Sul Ross State and San Antonio Madison High School.

## 2011 County Stock Show Begins January 12

2011 Eastland County Livestock Show Schedule

### Wednesday, January 12, 2011

4:00 pm - Scales open for all animals except rabbits. (Livestock & Cattle Barns)  
8:00 pm - Ag Mechanics projects must be checked in, All animals except rabbits must be weighed and in place. Rabbits must be checked in Friday between 10:00 am and 12:00 noon.

### Thursday, January 13, 2011

10:00 am - Broilers (Moylan Exposition Arena)  
11:00 am - Beef Cattle - Heifers followed by Steers (Moylan Exposition Arena)  
12:30 pm - Commercial Heifer Show (Commercial Cattle Pens)  
3:30 pm - Swine - Breeding followed by Market (Moylan Exposition Arena)

### Friday, January 14, 2011

9:00 am - Food Show (Hutto-Humiston Building)  
11:00 am - Ag Mechanics Show (Hutto-Humiston Building)  
11:00 am - Dairy Goats (Moylan Exposition Arena)  
12:00 pm - Angora Goats - Breeding followed by Market (Moylan Exposition Arena)  
Rabbits must be weighed and checked in with Superintendent (Livestock Barn)  
2:00 pm - Sheep - Breeding followed by Market (Moylan Exposition Arena)  
3:30 pm - Meat Goats - Market followed by Breeding (Moylan Exposition Arena)

### Saturday, January 15, 2011

9:00 am - Rabbits - Market followed by Breeding (Moylan Exposition Arena)  
5:00 pm - Hamburger Supper (Hutto-Humiston Building)  
6:30 pm - Auction & Presentation of Awards (Moylan Exposition Arena)

## Eastland County Lake Rescue

On Wednesday morning, January 5th, Bonnie Floyd, 61, was fishing from a boat at Lake Leon. Bonnie fell from the boat. She hung onto a nearby stump for support while waiting for help to arrive. Eastland County Dispatch was contacted and deployed Eastland Fire Department rescue to the scene.

Texas Highway Patrol Troopers Tim Pitts, John Martinez and Vernon Gaines also responded to the call. The troopers found the woman barely holding on. Ms. Floyd told the troopers she was about to lose her grip and could not hold on any longer. She advised she had been in the cold water for about 30 minutes.

Trooper Tim Pitts swam out to the woman to assist her. Because of Trooper Pitts efforts, Bonnie Floyd was able to hold on until the Eastland Fire Department Rescue Boat arrived. She was transported to Eastland Memorial Hospital and was suffering from Hyperthermia.

Trooper Tim Pitts went home, changed clothes and went back to work.

## Gorman High School 3rd Six Weeks Honor Roll

### Freshman Class

A Honor Roll  
Zach Carlton  
Kinsey Johnston  
Jessica Ledford  
Melissa Ramirez  
Jessica Williams  
Holly Wood

A-B Honor Roll  
Connie Gonzalez  
Mykisha Hampton  
Skye Lewis  
Yariza Montelongo  
Rebecca Rainey  
Alaina Swanner  
Rhys Vaughn

### Sophomore Class

A Honor Roll  
Luis Limon  
Margarita Oronia

A-B Honor Roll  
Stephanie Grissom  
Christen Hagan  
Dalila Hipolito  
Virdi Maldonado  
B. J. Ramirez  
Robert Shawver  
Rachel Tucker

### Junior Class

A Honor Roll  
A. J. Vaughn

A-B Honor Roll  
Ryan Campbell  
Zach Ewing  
Dolores Garcia  
Chelsea Griffin  
Raven Kehl  
Ally Little  
Erica Madera  
Stetson Thompson

### Senior Class

A Honor Roll  
Jaime Johnston

A-B Honor Roll  
Corey Houston  
Jaylon Miley  
Stephanie Risueno  
T. J. Warren

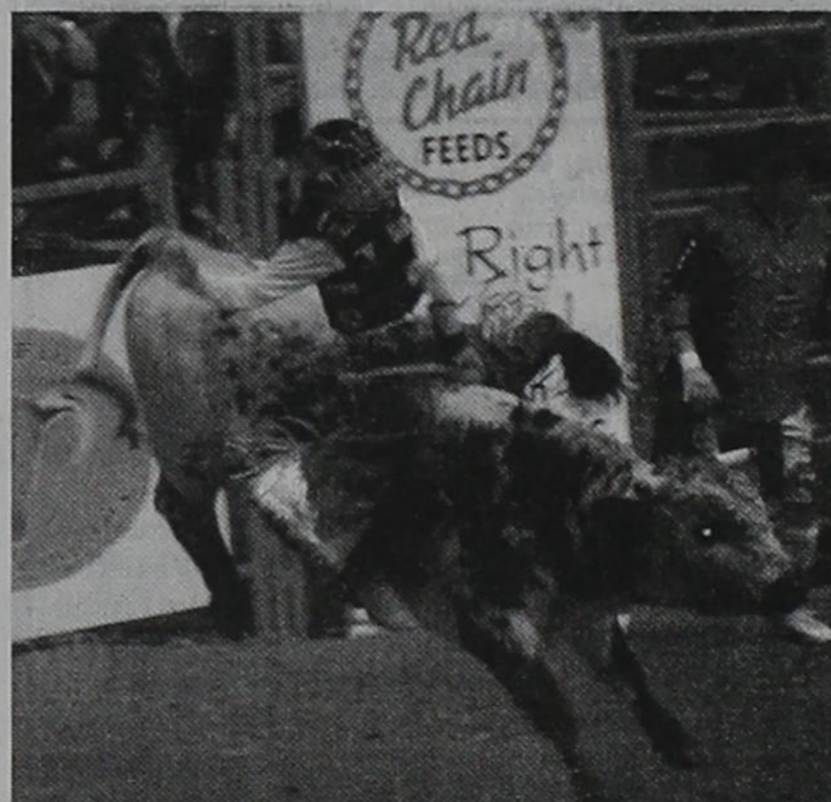
## ITEMS OF INTEREST

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

Gorman Oaklawn Cemetery Association is accepting donations for the Care of the Cemetery. Donations can be sent to Oaklawn Cemetery Association, 7726 CR 362, Desdemona, TX 76445 or to American State Bank, Gorman, Texas 76454

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

## A New Rodeo Season Starts



Daniel Keeping of Gorman started his New Year and rodeo season off right on Friday night, December 31st. Daniel has once again been invited to ride with the Professional Bull Riders North American Mini-Bull Tour. These are ten boys ages nine to fourteen who ride in exhibition events between go rounds at the PBR Touring Pro and certain Built Ford Tough Series events.

On December 31st and January 1st he rode at the Touring Pro Event held at the Cowtown Arena in the Fort Worth Stockyards. Red Chain Feeds was one of the event sponsors so it seemed fitting that Daniel won the first nights riding Big Daddy. One the second night Daniel rode Tiger to a second place finish and now leads the scoring amongst those young riders as they prepare to compete at the Austin PBR Touring Pro Event on January 22nd.

Dan is also competing with the Texas Youth Bull Riders out of Saginaw riding in the Senior Steer and Jr. Mini Bull events. He had three rides on Saturday, January 8th. He won the first round in Seniors Steers and also won the Jr. Mini Bull event. On his second Senior Steer he placed second giving him the lead for now in both events.

Dan looks forward to competing for the Youth Bull Riding World Championship in Senior Steers this year. That event has moved and will be held in Abilene so for Dan it will be almost a hometown crowd. He has also been approached about the possibility of again riding at the PBR World Finals in Las Vegas. Sponsors are being sought for both the YBR World Finals and for each PBR Event the boys ride in. If you are interested please contact the Keeping family.

## Gorman Panthers/ Lady Panthers

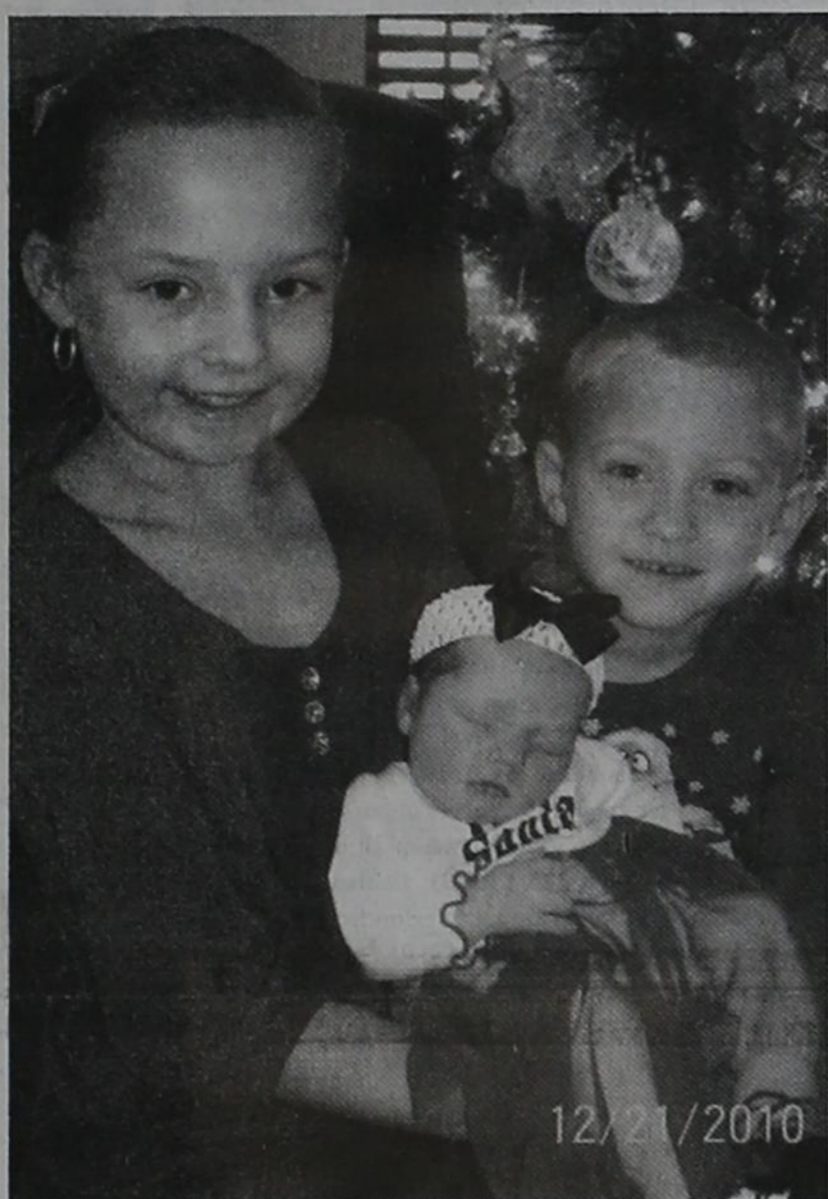
### 2011 Track Schedule

Thursday	March 3rd	Ranger
Thursday	March 10th	Cross Plains
Saturday	March 26th	Meridian
Friday	April 1st	May
Thursday	April 7th	District Track (May)
Thursday	April 14th	Area Track (Zephyr)
Mon./Tues.	May 2nd & 3rd	Regional Track (Abilene)
Fri./Sat.	May 13th & 14th	State Track (Austin)

### 2011 Junior High Track Schedule

Friday	March 4th	Ranger
Thursday	March 10th	Goldthwaite
Thursday	March 24th	Gorman
Thursday	March 31st	District Zone Track (Strawn)

## Look Who's New - It's A Girl



Kelsie and Nashton Guthery would like to announce the arrival of their new baby sister, Kilee Anniston Guthery. She was born December 20, 2010 at 3:33 p.m. She weighed 7 lbs and 2 ounces and was 19 inches long. Her proud parents are Nick and Keri Guthery. Her grandparents are Johnny and JoAnn Scitern and Jim and Karen Guthery. Great grandparents are Willie Burl Moore of Gorman and Troy Scitern of Gorman and Verna Pinson of Eastland.

## Gorman Middle School 3rd Six Weeks Honor Roll

### 6th Grade

A Honor Roll Austin Byrd Kayce Dodd Izael Herrera Sam Rainey Mayra Ramirez	A-B Honor Roll Bradi Campbell Sydney Casey Kendle Coan Carrissa Cole Shawn Estrada Mayra Gutierrez Ismael Herrera Vanessa Hooper Katalina Landa Ricardo Olvera Dayanna Palacios Jonatan Rivas Vanessa Valedéz
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### 7th Grade

A Honor Roll Garet Vaughn Turner Whitten	A-B Honor Roll Hunter Childers Arlette Giles Flavio Herrera Rylan Laminack Vanessa Longoria Jose Maldonado Betty Montelongo Tomas Rodriguez Kodie Sparger Beth Woodall
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### 8th Grade

A Honor Roll Evajacquelyn Rainey	A-B Honor Roll Adriana Brown Brittany Burns Chloe Cole Danny Flores Cosette Keeping Lauren Spivey Madison Warren Lacey Wilson
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## "Food Agape"

Men's Walk #362 also needs FOOD AGAPE!!! If you can help with this, let me know and I'll pick it up, also. Contact Cyndee at 254-629-8340 or 254-631-8200. I will be out of town until the 13th. Leave a message and I'll get it when I get back.

Thanks again in advance.  
DeColores,  
Cyndee Groce



# A Little History Lesson On The First Mayor of Gorman

## Funeral Services For J. W. Hammett Held At Slaton

John W. Hammett, age 78, died Monday afternoon, October 4, at 6:55 at the home of this son, Grover Hammett, who lives six miles north of Stephenville and with whom he had made his home for the last seven months. The body was taken in a Higginbotham ambulance to Slaton where funeral services were conducted Wednesday morning at ten o'clock at the Weber Williams Funeral Home with a Baptist minister officiating. Interment was made in the Slaton Cemetery with the Masonic Lodge in charge.

John Wilson Hammett, who had been in ill health since November, 1936, having been bed fast the greater part of that time, was born in Macon County, Alabama, on September 12, 1859. At the age of 11 months he moved with his parents to Gordon County, Georgia, where he lived for a number of years. On February 1, 1880, he was married to Miss Isabell Shown.

They came to Texas, arriving in De Leon on November 19, 1891, where they made their home for nine years. From De Leon, he moved with his family to Gorman, making his home there for seven years. Mr. Hammett was the first Mayor of Gorman and the Past Worshipful Master of the De Leon, Gorman and Desdemona Masonic Lodge.

The Hammett family next went to Lowell in western Erath County, where they lived for thirteen years. They then went to Slaton in 1920, where they resided until the death of MRs. Hammett on March 10, 1925. Since that time, Mr. Hammett had made his home with his children.

John Wilson Hammett became a Mason on October 1, 1881, at Tilton, Georgia, his membership being at Slaton at the time of his death. He also joined the Baptist Church in 1881.

Mr. Hammett was the father of eight children, one of who, Mrs. Maggie Orear, died at Crosbyton, January 16, 1916, at the age of 21 years. Beside the seven children, he is survived by a brother in Slaton, one in Austin two sisters in Gorman, fifteen grandchildren and six great grandchildren.

Surviving children are W. O. Hammett, Long Beach, California; S. G. Hammett, Stephenville; J. E. Hammett, Slaton; Mrs. W. O. Kinnison, Sweetwater; Mrs. T. J. Cox, Carbon; Mrs. Bertha Hastings, Slaton and Mrs. V. S. Ford, Afton.

(This article and photos was courtesy of Martha Harrington)



## Happenings At FBC!!

Humility! Do you think another person's rights begin where yours end? Humility is defined, humility is taught, and humility is exemplified in our Lord and Savior. May we earnestly live to follow the example of Jesus Christ.

Mark your calendars:

**WEDNESDAYS:** Come join us for fun learning about Jesus – TEAMKIDS at 6:00pm, MISSION FRIENDS at 6:00pm, and YOUTH at 6:30pm.

Children's Sermon: Traci had something in her hand and the children immediately asked, "What is it?" Traci replied, "It's a calendar, and we use it to make plans." Traci and the children said that birthdays, the dentist, the doctor, parties, and places to be were among the things we write on the calendar. Sometimes plans don't work out, and we have to change plans. God may have different plans that we think should happen. Who is in charge of everything? Rainey so cutely said, "Me!" God is in charge of everything, and we can completely trust God. May we learn not to worry and be nervous about plans; all plans are safely in God's hands.

Special Music: Cortney Shirley shared her God given gift to sing a beautiful song, "Hope Now" .... "I'm not my own, I've been carried by You all my life, everything rides on hope now, everything rides on faith somehow, when the world has broken me down Your love sets me free."

Bro. Barry's Message: "Never Too Young" – I Timothy 4:12 - Bro. Barry asked all the youth to raise their hands. Youth of all ages raised their hands, even 94- year young Brother Wilburn Berstreet. We all in agreement that Youth are so very important! The Bible tells you not to let anyone think less of you, and to be an example.

"HEAVENLY HATS" – Story of a ten-year old boy whose inspiration to start Heavenly Hats(TM) started after spending time in hospitals when his grandma had breast cancer. He was able to see all of the patients in the hospitals, many without hair, and wanted to do something to help. It was in May of 2001, when he came up with the idea for Heavenly Hats(TM). It started out small and he thought that it would probably stay that way. Heavenly Hats have provided over one-million hats to patients.

KIDS – When it's tendency to blame kids, who is the real culprit? Are the adults in their lives driving them down a path seeking Christ? Do we need to regroup and refocus? Kids need many things from the adults in their lives; among things are to stand by them, make them feel loved and wanted, show affection, say nice work, be fit for a child to live with, prepare them to live their own lives and have their own voice, as well as make their own mistakes.

(1) David & Goliath – David was just a young teenager when he took a bold stand for God, and faced the mighty giant. (2) Josiah – II Kings 22 - King of Judah 8-years young and changed the kingdom with a great revival. (3) Little boy with 2 Fish Sandwiches – Approx. 11-years young and when Jesus used his food to feed thousands.

YOUTH OVERCOMING OBSTACLES:

(1) Moses – Escaped death as an infant, by the Grace of God, and was raised by an "adopted single parent". (2) Joseph - His father had two wives and two mistresses. His brothers tried to kill him. Yet became the "Prime Minister of Egypt". (3) Timothy - Divided broken home, and it doesn't matter because you have all the power & strength to do what the Bible says, and to maintain your purity. We live in an age of sexual prevalence. It's hard to keep life together without making it more complicated. (4) Dr. Luke - Overcoming Jew and Gentile racism written from a doctor's perspective. Control is only if Jesus is in control. (5) Jesus - Came from a perfect home. There is no such thing as a perfect home in our world. Many nights children and adults lay their head on their pillow and cry themselves to sleep. Christ created the Church, and your Church Family is here to help make your life the best that it can be. **BAD KIDS MAKE THE NEWS.....GOOD KIDS MAKE A DIFFERENCE.....** You are Never Too Young to realize that you can make a difference!

We welcome new members Justin, Katie, & Jake Southall to our fellowship.

If you are reading this and you have not accepted Jesus Christ as your Lord and Savior please call Bro. Barry, ask Bro. Barry to talk with you about being saved or just ask him to pray with you, just call (254) 734-2420.

Our Worship Service begins at 11:00AM on Sunday mornings, please come and join us! 1X100

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

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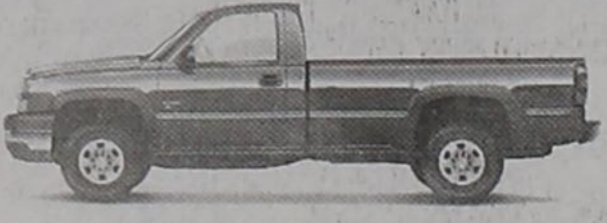
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**08 Chevy Impala**  
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**\$12,900\***

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**\$22,900\***

**07 Chevy Suburban**  
1LT, White, Stk. #8086A  
**\$23,350\***

**09 Chevy Silverado**  
1500, Reg. Long, White, Stk. #8124A  
**\$16,900\***

**08 Chevy Silverado**  
1500, Purple, Stk. #8185C  
**\$20,900\***

**10 GMC Sierra**  
2500 HD, SLE1, Crew, 4x4, Bedliner, Black, Stk. #8259B  
**\$31,900\***

**08 Chevy Silverado**  
1500, Crew Z71, 4x4, Deep Ruby, Stk. #8300A  
**\$24,900\***

**07 Pontiac G6**  
GT, Lthr, Convert., 2 Dr, Black, Stk. #8314C  
**\$13,350\***

## PRE-OWNED VEHICLES

05 GMC Yukon Denali, 1/2 Crew, Lthr. Black, Stk. #8270.....	\$18,950*	08 Chevy Tahoe, Stk. #8346A.....	\$23,500*
05 Chevy Equinox, LT, AWD, Silver, Stk. #8283.....	\$12,950*	02 Chevy Silverado 2500 Crew LS, Diesel, White, Stk. #8347A.....	\$12,950*
06 VW Beetle GLS, Yellow, Stk. #8294.....	\$13,500*	09 Chevy Silverado 1500 Black, Stk. #8342B.....	\$28,500*
05 Cherokee Brave Show Trailer, Stk. #8348.....	\$13,500*	08 Chevy HHR, Black, Stk. #8257A.....	\$10,950*
03 Chevy Silverado 2500 Crew Diesel, 4x4, Black, Stk. #8104F.....	\$16,950*	<b>CASH CORRAL VEHICLES</b>	
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07 Chevy Silverado 1500 Crew 1LT Red, Stk. #8169C.....	\$18,950*	02 Jeep Grand Cherokee Laredo Blue, Stk # 8299.....	\$7,500*
07 Chevy Silverado 2500 Crew Z71, 4x4, Lt. Lthr., White, Stk. #8189C.....	\$22,950*	09 Chevy Aveo LT Red, Stk. #7678C.....	\$9,750*
05 Chevy Equinox LT, Red, Stk. #8192B.....	\$11,950*	02 Buick LeSabre Lthr, Tan, Stk. #8030A.....	\$5,500*
03 Chevy Silverado 1500, LS, Reg. Yellow, Stk. #8215A.....	\$10,750*	93 Chevy Silverado Tan, Stk. #8221A.....	\$1,950*
06 Dodge Ram 1 Ton, Crew, 4x4, SLE, White, Stk. #8263.....	\$17,500*	89 Chevy 1500 Reg. 4x4, Black, Stk. #8244B.....	\$850*
07 GMC Yukon XL SLT Lthr., Nav, DVD, Gold Mist, Stk. #8286B.....	\$21,950*	04 Chevy Venture LS White, Stk. #8280A.....	\$4,950*
05 Chevy Silverado 2500, LS, Diesel, Crew, Pewter, Stk. #8307B.....	\$17,500*	07 Chevy HHR Stk. #8316A.....	\$6,950*
08 Chevy Tahoe, Blue, Stk. #8325B.....	\$22,950*	03 Dodge Durango Tan, Stk. #8338B.....	\$3,950*
10 GMC Sierra SLT, Stk. #8333B.....	\$29,500*		
04 GMC Sierra 1 Ton SLT, Dually, Crew, 4x4, White, Stk. #8336A.....	\$13,950*		

\*All prices +TT&L

## Senior Citizens News

By Carol Ward

We returned on the 5th of January after our two week Holiday break. There were only fourteen present. Hope more will return as the weather warms. Several were ill or had bad falls and stove up. So for I've escaped this horrible coughing thing whatever it is. I thank those who came out and help keep our group going. We all sit together at the long table, like a big family. Several have remarked they like it better as we can all talk together. Henry Buchanan was kind to give the blessing for all. We missed Bro. Frank Shirley, where are you?

Our meal was great and colorful with corn bread, lima beans and ham, chicken pasta casserole by Beth Shirley, sweet potatoes, green peas, cabbage and fruit salad by Billie Bennett, so good. Our desserts were Jello and fruit, chocolate cake, cookies and ice cream. We ended up with plenty of food, even though so few here.

The Nurses from Medway Home Health in De Leon were here to check our BP and BS. IT was good to see Charlotte and Carolyn. Charlotte looked so pretty in her new hair do and darkened. Hadn't seen her in a long time. She has been one of the nurses to care for Ruthie Porter through her ordeal. We thank them for making this monthly visit on the 1st Wednesday of the month.

Good to report Ruthie Porter is much improved. She looks good and walking better. Her helper Deborah Jackson always with her, so good for your morale. Also helps some clean tables, etc. Thanks a lot. Deborah also did the dishes, as Ailene Garrett was ill. Sure missed that little lady. She helps even though she can't see well anymore. Bernice Hewson ill also, both coughing. Betty Frazier had two bad falls, so recovering. She got a ride in an ambulance. Thats a terrible rattle, bumpy ride, as I had one once.

We talked about possibly meeting once a month. Also voted, but pretty even. So decided to wait until more present and vote again. Its a lot of work weekly for so few here. If all would come out once a month, we could have a good amount in attendance.

My family finally got together on Christmas Day for our Annual get-together. After much wondering and talking about where to have our Chinese Christmas. We ended up at my daughter, Becky Swanner's house as usual. I did want to go to Brownwood at my granddaughters house. Next year I hope more organized. It is such a fun and you only have to buy one present.

My granddaughter Alexa did have a real nice baby shower on New Years Day. This was for my Granson, her brother, Kyle's wife Audrey, due in March. So I did go to Brownwood after all. She did such lovely work on the decorations and made all the refreshments herself. She also received her Masters Degree on December 17th. Very proud of her!

We will not meet on the 12th due to Cold Weather.

Hope to return on the 19th. See you then, Carol

### NOTICE OF HEARING IN FRONT OF BUILDING AND STANDARDS COMMISSION

- Name of Owner, occupant and other persons interested in the Property: Landrum Marvin Wooten Estate
- The street address or legal description of the Property: Building located at 827 N Kent, Gorman, Texas (80'X140' BLK XXX S/D2 OT)
- A general description of the improvements: Vacant housing unit with other buildings on property.
- A list of defects on the Property: The house is sitting vacant with broken glass, high weeds in area and has been deemed a dangerous building as defined by Ordinance No. 302.2 (the "Ordinance") and constitutes a danger to life, safety or the general health of the occupants of the building and/or the citizens of Gorman. Gorman, Texas
- A brief statement of the action to be considered by the Commission: Consider whether the Property is in violation of the Ordinance, order abatement or removal of the building and debris located on the Property, determine the amount of civil penalties for the violation, and consider other lawful orders authorized by the Ordinance.
- Hearing Date and Place: January 24, 2011, 5:30 p.m., Gorman City Hall, City Council Chambers, 116 South Kent Street, Gorman, Texas  
Tacy Warren, City Secretary  
(254) 734-2317

### NOTICE OF HEARING IN FRONT OF BUILDING AND STANDARDS COMMISSION

- Name of Owner, occupant and other persons interested in the Property: Frank Willis Estate - Sean Michael Willis
- The street address or legal description of the Property: Building located at 516W Lexington, Gorman, Texas (JC Nall AB 1614/HWY 8)
- A general description of the improvements: Vacant housing unit with other buildings and vehicles left on property.
- A list of defects on the Property: The house is sitting vacant with broken glass, high weeds and old vehicles sitting in area and has been deemed a dangerous building as defined by Ordinance No. 302.2 (the "Ordinance") and constitutes a danger to life, safety or the general health of the occupants of the building and/or the citizens of Gorman. Gorman, Texas.
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- Name of Owner, occupant and other persons interested in the Property: Jason Pierce, owner of the Property; Colonnade at Polo Park Venture, Judgment lien holder American State Bank, Judgment lien holder
- The street address or legal description of the Property: Building located at 109 S. Kent Street, Gorman, Texas  
(N 16 2/3 of S/2, 2 Blk 8, SE Pt 1 & N/2 2 Blk 8, S 8 1/3 2 N/2 3 Blk 8)
- A general description of the improvements: Two story commercial building that has been extensively damaged by fire.
- A list of defects on the Property: The two story commercial building has been extensively damaged by fire and is a dangerous and uninhabitable building as defined by Ordinance No. 302.2 (the "Ordinance") and constitutes a danger to life, safety or the general health of the occupants of the building and/or the citizens of Gorman. Gorman, Texas.
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## Gorman City Minutes

Unapproved

DECEMBER 16, 2010

The Gorman City Commission met on the above date. Those present were Mayor Robert Ervin, Commissioners Durward Webb, Nathan Files, and David Stanley. Absent was Joe Casey. Also present were Jeremy Fisher, Barbara Fenley, Josh Nichols, Cody Hodges, and Glenn Scitern.

Durward 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. David made the motion to approve the minutes of the previous meeting. Durward made a second. Motion carried 3-0.

Durward made the motion to approve the bills for payment with a second from Nathan. Motion carried 3-0.

Jeremy Fishers was present to address the Commission regarding police academy training and sponsorship.

Barbara reported that the police computer has to have an upgrade. David made the motion to approve the upgrade with a second from Nathan. Motion carried 3-0.

Cody addressed the Commission on some personnel issues.

There being no further business for discussion David made the motion to adjourn with a second from Nathan. Motion carried 3-0.

## Pig Tales From Hogtown

Just having returned from a quick trip to Indiana, I thought I had left the cold weather up there! The good thing about Texas is that the warm will come back much quicker than up north and I am happy for that!

This Friday, January 14, Johnny Johnson and his band will be back at the DAC for our regular 2nd Friday of the month dance. The price of admission is \$5.00. The concession stand opens at 6:00 and the music begins at 7:00.

On January 28, Rusty Wallace will be here for our regular 4th Friday of the month dance.

The first Saturday in February, 'Breakfast at the DAC' will begin again and be held the first Saturday of each month. Cost is by donation and serving is from 7:00 - 10:00.

The annual DAC membership meeting will be coming up in February - watch for more information. We will be electing new board members and would very much like to have input from you.

We will be planning our annual spring craft show for April - more information to follow.

See you in Desdemona!  
Carol Pell

## What Is Your Story?

How do you remember January 1, 2006 --- The beginning of a new and very different time in the lives of many folks? As we approach the five-year anniversary of the Carbon Area (much of Eastland County) burn perhaps you would be willing to share your story with others.

This horrible fire forever changed the lives of so many people -- We would like to know your feelings and/or observations of that day and the following days, months, years.

The suggestion is "on the table" to possibly make these articles into a book as a fund-raiser for the county fire departments. Your story will appear as written -- Please mail to:

Jody Forbus, Chief, CVFD  
P. O. Box 566  
Carbon, Tx 76435

Thank you