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Happy Thanksgiving Day

Gorman High School Second Six Weeks Honor Roll

Freshman Class

A: Zach Carlton, Kinsey Johnston, Melissa Ramirez, Jessica Williams and Holly Wood; A-B: Haven Gibbs, Connie Gonzalez, Mykisha Hampton, Randall Miley, Yarixa Montelongo, Alaina Swanner and Rhyse Vaughn.

Sophomore Class

A: Luis Limon and Rachel Tucker; A-B: Jasmeen delaTorre, Stephanie Grissom, Charisten Hagan, Skyler Henderson, Virdi Maldonado and Margarita Oronia.

Junior Class

A: Erica Madera and A. J. Vaughn; A-B: Candice Ervin, Maria Garcia, Chelsea Griffin, Raven Kehl, Ally Little, McKenzie Osborne, Rebekah Powell, Cortney Shirley and Katey Thackerson. Senior Class

A: Corey Houston, Jaime Johnston, Jaylon Miley, Amy Regian, Stephanie Risueno and T. J. Warren; A-B: Troy Gilder, Abby Pacheco, Maria Raygoza and Cody Wood.

Gorman Middle School 2nd Six Weeks Honor Roll

6th Grade A-Honor Roll Izael Herrera Sam Rainey Mayra Ramirez

A-B Honor Roll Austin Byrd Bradi Campbell Sydney Casey Carrissa Cole Kayce Dodd Shawn Estrada Mayra Gutirrez Ismael Herrera Katalina Landa Rebecca Mata Ricardo Olvera Dayanna Palacios Jonatan Rivas Audriana Segura Dylan Walton

7th Grade A-Honor Roll **Hunter Childers** Arlette Giles Rylan Laminack Jose Maldonado Garet Vaughn Turner Whitten

A-B Honor Roll Kaitlyn Graham Flavio Herrera Brianna Jones Vanessa Longoria Alexia Madera Yulissa Madera Freddy Montelongo Betty Montelongo-Cruz Kodie Sparger

8th Grade A-Honor Roll jacquelynn Rainey Lauren Spivey

A-B Honor Roll Adriana Brown Brittany Burns Chloe Cole Cosette Keeping

Yovani Palacios

Lacey Wilson

In light of the recent fire we had downtown Gorman that engulfed the Z J's building, Tacy and I would like to take this opportunity to say THANK YOU very much to the men and women that came with the various Fire Departments and gave of your time and energy that early, cold morning and throughout the rest of the day.

Thanks to the Gorman, Desdemona, Carbon, Cisco, DeLeon, Eastland, Olden, Proctor, Ranger, Rising Star, Sipe Springs, Promontory Park, Comanche County and Erath County Fire Departments. Most everyone that fought the fire and kept it contained to the one building are Volunteer Firefighters that left here and went to work at their day jobs after little to no sleep. A big thank you also goes out to Oncor for being prompt in their response. Also to Bob and Brenda Hammontree for being on the spot as soon as the power was restored and opening City Grocery so we could get these men and women some sustenance and help them continue working with very little interruption. May God bless you all for what you do in our times of need and again thank you from the bottom of our hearts.

Jill Rainey and Tacy Warren

MAXFIELD ELEMENTARY IS PLEASED TO ANNOUNCE THAT 100% OF THE STAFF IS HIGHLY QUALIFIED ACCORDING TO THE NO CHILD LEFT BEHIND REGULATIONS!

The City Office will be closed Thursday and Friday, November 25th and 26th for the Thanksgiving Holiday. We hope everyone has a Safe and Happy Thanksgiving.

The Gorman Progress will be closed on Thursday and Friday, November 25th and 26th for a day with our family. If you need anything please call and leave a message.

Thanks, Lonnie and Joe

2010 All District 19A Named

Seventeen Panthers were named to the 2010 19A All District Team. Cameron Clark was named Defensive MVP. Brandon Velasquez was named Co-Newcomer of the Year. Josh Ryon - Quarterback, B. J. Ramirez - Running Back, Jon Fenley - Offensive Lineman, Matt Keith - Offensive Lineman were all named to First Team Offense. Randy Woodall - Defensive Tackle, Matt Keith - Defensive End, James Thomas - Outside Linebacker, B. J. Ramirez - Defensive Back and Bryce Campbell - Punter were all named to First Team Defense. Cade Cole - Tight End, Sergio Hipolito - Wide Receiver, Randy Woodall - Offensive Lineman were all named to Second Team Offense. Jon Fenley - Defensive Tackle, Brandon Velasquez - Defensive End, Matt Fox - Outside Linebacker and Dakota Pacheco - Defensive Back were all named to Second Team Defense. Luis Limon and Bryce Campbell were named to the Pride Award. Luis Limon and Zack Carlton were named to the Academic All-District. Luis Limon, Zack Carlton, Sergio Hipilito, Josh Ryon, Cade Cole and Drew Flanary were all named to the Honorable Mention Team. Congratulations to these fine Panthers. Will have a picture of the boys in a later issue of the progress, several players were absent from school for different reasons.

Lady Panthers Place 2nd in Tourney

Congratulations to the Lady Panthers for placing 2nd in the Leuders-Avoca Tournament this past weekend. They beat Lueders-Avoca and Veribest to get beat by Abilene Christian in the championship. Melissa Ramirez received All Tournament honors. Stats so far this season are... Chelsea Griffin 32 points, 3 assists, 8 steals, 7 rebounds. Jaime Johnston 89 points, 1 assist, 5 steals, 2 blocked shots, 31 rebounds... Kinsey Johnston 12 points, 4 assists, 3 blocked shots, 18 rebounds..Skye Lewis 2 points, 1 steal, 1 rebound.. Ally Little 13 points, 4 assists, 4 steals, 11 rebounds...Jaylon Miley 4 points, 1 assist, 1 steal, 7 rebounds... Brittany Ramirez 3 points, 4 rebounds..Melissa Ramirez 69 points, 2 assists, 12 steals, 1 blocked shot, 44 rebounds... Katey Thackerson 2 rebounds...



Rachel Tucker 11 points, 1 steal, 11 rebounds. Keep up the hard work ladies!

The Best Christmas Present Ever - A Christmas Musical

Celebrating the Christmas season, First Fruits Christian Fellowship is pleased to present a children's Christmas drama, The Best Christmas Present Ever by Celeste Clydesdale. This energetic children's Christmas celebration is overflowing with colorful characters, choreographed dances, dynamic music and dazzling lights. The story in this musical is about a group of children who have only one week to invite people from all over town to a birthday party for Jesus. Each day, they share the responses of the people that were invited. The defining moment of the musical is when the skeptical news anchor Rod Stark encounters the true meaning of

Join and support the Children of Gorman in their first musical drama. You are sure to be amazed as they present this simple, yet powerful message of Christmas. Adding this event to your holiday calendar is one your entire family will enjoy. To conclude the festivity, refreshments will be served to celebrate with others and the cast.

Due to our limited seating capacity, this musical drama will be presented two nights, December 17th and December 18th at 6:00 pm. Free tickets are available upon request at 734-3203. Upon your request, please specify the date you wish to attend. RSVP to your invitation to the greatest birthday bash ever!

Kindergarten Visits Their Community

Kindergarten students in Maxfield Elementary have been learning about what a community is and why it's important to know what's in their community for the past few weeks. The students have also been learning about careers and how education plays an important part in their future. In an effort to make them more aware of their surroundings, the students visited some areas to learn more about their community. Students visited Panda's Florist, Clarks Construction and Hardware, and the U.S. Postal Service. With each visit, the students were shown the skill that is needed in this business and what kind of education is required.

To wrap up the lesson, the students received a visit from a special program offered by the Fire Department, arranged by Blake Guthery one of Gorman's volunteer firemen. The program had a special portable truck that is designed to create a simulation of what all happens during a fire. Students learned about what all could happen during a fire and what to expect as well as how important the Fire Dept. is for their community.

We would like to thank everyone for helping us to make our children successful in their education.





The Gorman Youth Sports Council will be hosting the FINAL SIGN-UP for basketball on Nov. 29th at 5PM until 6:30 PM at the High School Gym. This will be the final date to sign up so we know what our numbers are this year. We hope to see all of you there that haven't signed up yet. We will have forms to fill out that night.

Obituary

Jose Refugio Caldera

Jose Refugio Caldera, age 68 of Gorman, passed away Thursday, November 18, 2010 at the Abilene Regional Medical Center in Abilene.

Rosary was at 7:00 P.M. Friday at the Higginbotham Funeral Home with Deacon Ruben Castaneda. Mass was at 6:30 P.M. Saturday evening with Father Philip McNamara at the funeral home chapel.

Mr. Caldera was born July 4, 1942 in Jalisco, Mexico to Rogaciano Caldera and Maria Del Carmen Ramirez Caldera. He was a laborer in the peanut industry and a Catholic.

He is survived by his wife, Graciela Caldera of Gorman; three sons, Juan Carlos Caldera of Phoenix, AZ, Mauricio Caldera of San Antonio and Jose Refugio Caldera, Jr. of Phoenix, AZ; granddaughter, Kenadee Grace Caldera of Phoenix, AZ and three brothers and sisters. He was preceded in death by his parents and six brothers and sisters.

SCHOOL MENU Week of Nov. 22 thru Nov. 30

BREAKFAST

WEDNESDAY - Holiday THURSDAY - Holiday FRIDAY - Holiday

MONDAY - Cereal, Biscuit, Juice and Milk. TUESDAY - Pancake on a stick, fruit, juice and milk.

LUNCH

WEDNESDAY - Holiday. THURSDAY - Holiday. FRIDAY - Holiday.

MONDAY - Enchiladas or Burrito, chili beans, Spanish rice, tossed salad, sherbet and milk.

TUESDAY - Oven fried chicken, steak fingers, baked potato, English peas, biscuit, gravy, fruit and milk.

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"On The Wilder Side"

This Thursday, most Americans will "give thanks" by means of Fellowship, Food, and Football. The only problem: Who are they thanking? When you "give thanks", you show appreciation to someone. You acknowledge that you've received a gift and you are grateful to the one who gave it. But WHO is being A story is told of an Atheist who woke up to a beautiful sunrise with

flowers blooming and birds chirping. He was filled with so much appreciation and gratitude that he felt like giving thanks. The problem was that he didn't know who

On October 14, 1789, President George Washington knew exactly Who to thank as he officially set aside one day in November for the nation to stop and give thanks... to God. Thanksgiving is a day for us to show appreciation to our Creator for the many blessings that He gives His children.

Dennis Jernigan wrote the following words: For all that You've done, I will thank You. For all that You're going to do. For all that You've promised, and all that You are is all that has carried me through. Jesus, I thank You! Thank You for loving and setting me free. Thank You for giving Your live just for me. Jesus, I thank you! Gratefully thank You! Thank You!

As you make your list of what you are thankful for this week, I hope that you put in a good word for the One who gave it all.

> Fight the good fight (1 Tim 6:12) - Jason Wilder Gorman Church of Christ

Gorman Church of Christ Meeting Times Sunday Morning Bible Class - 10:00 Sunday Morning Worship - 10:45 Sunday Evening Worship - 6:00

Wednesday Evening Class - 7:00

Pig Tales From Hogtown

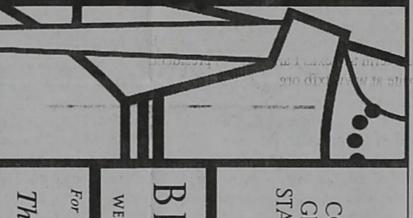
What wonderful weather we have been having! Guess it's all going to change though. But it is November! I am not a fan of cold weather but winters in Texas are a lot more tolerable than those up north!

Remember that we are not having another dance at the DAC until New Year's Eve. Johnny Johnson's band will be here on that evening. We will be serving a buffet meal with brisket, ham, black-eyed peas, cornbread and desserts. Tickets are \$20.00 per person or you can purchase a table for 8 for \$150.00. For ticket information, please call: 254-758-2420 or 254-758-2346.

Our annual Christmas Store will be held the first 2 weekends in December. We will have decorations, small gifts and baked goods for your holidays. This is a great place to purchase teacher's gifts or any other small gift you need. You know how great our baked goods are most can be frozen for enjoyment at Christmas. The store will be open December 2, 3, 4 and December 9, 10 and 11. Enjoy shopping with us from 8:00 until 5:00 each day.

Please remember the fire danger - we have not had rain since I can't remember when!!

I wish everyone a happy and safe Thanksgiving!! See you in Desdemona! Carol Pell



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place, heavy brush cover, deer, wild turkey and hogs! Over 1/2 mile of creek front-

3 + Acre, 3 - 23/4 - 2 brick, central A/C, 2375 sf, den + lg. game room, nice carpet, metal roof, water well, 20 x 40 shop, secluded, lots of Post Oaks! \$119,500. 9+ Acres, n/w Gorman: Beautiful landscaping, remodeled 2-story ranch style 3 - 2 home, 1700 sf, metal roof, carport, 30x50 metal shop, several wells, lots of trees.

S/E Gorman: 45 A, sandy land, few Pecan trees, 7 water wells, irrigation reservoir,

close to pavement. \$2,500 Acre. Near Gorman, 60 A m/l, 2-1 frame farmhouse, new windows/front door, new metal roof, 2 ponds, fenced, some Coastal, partly wooded, small barn/corral, water

well, 2 car carport/storage. \$215,000 S/E Gorman: 60 A, good sandy soil, some coastal, good fences, elec., nice pond site.

\$2,800 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., water well, metal building. \$2,350.00 acre. SELLERS SAYS MAKE OFFER!!

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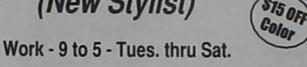
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PETS & CHARITY

'Tis the Season to Help Hungry **Pets and Their Owners**

NewsUSA

(NU) - During a tough economic climate, it can be a stressful time for many homebound seniors, if not for their pets. Many seniors, when strapped for resources, choose to feed their pets instead of themselves. This means neither the pet owner nor the pet get the nutrition they need to stay healthy.

To keep both pets and their owners fed, Banfield Pet Hospital and the Banfield Charitable Trust (BCT) partnered with the Meals on Wheels Association of America (MOWAA), which provides home-delivered meals to people in need, to create a petfeeding program called Season of Suppers, which is now in its fifth year. As part of the program, more than 760 Banfield locations are collecting pet food and monetary donations during November and December to help homebound seniors feed their pets. Despite the current economy,

the BCT hopes to collect 40 tons of pet food and raise \$100,000 to fund pet food distribution programs, which is an increase from last year.

Season of Suppers does more than provide meals. The funds it raises each year help sustain and

expand pet-feeding programs throughout the country. As a direct result of the Season of Suppers campaign, more than 100 pet-feeding programs have been funded or received much-needed



Many needy seniors will go without food in order to feed their pets.

Season of Suppers runs from Nov. 1 until Dec. 31. There are three ways to help feed hungry pets this year:

1. Purchase pet food and place it in the Season of Suppers donation bin in any Banfield Pet Hospital (located inside PetSmart). The BCT suggests items that are easy to transport, such as small bags 2. Donate money at any Banfield

Pet Hospital in the Season of Suppers donation box. To find y nearest Banfield location, vis www.banfield.net 3. Contribute online by visiting

www.BCTSOS.org and clicking the "donate now" button. Your donation of \$30 will help feed one pet for an entire month.

Thanksgiving

From Lonnie and Joe Bennett and Progress Correspondents

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Thank you! "Thanks" can be translated into languages worldwide, yet it's the feelings behind it that make it a beautiful word. Open your heart to express thanks to God from whom all blessings flow. "THANKS" to God by "GIVING" to others. God bless you now and forever.

Mark your calendars:

Nov. 25th - Happy Thanksgiving to All!

Dec. 11th - Save the Date: Bro Barry & Sharlene's Open House Fellowship.

WEDNESDAYS: Learning about Jesus is Fun, join us! - TEAMKIDS at 6:00pm, MISSION FRIENDS at 6:00pm, and YOUTH at 6:30pm.

Children's Sermon: "Thanksgiving" is the Holiday we celebrate this week; we eat turkey, get off work, get out of school, and we say thanks for what we have. Traci's "iPhone" is equipped with a "Bible App" and it reveals "Thanks" in over 200 verses of the Bible. We should thank God every day, not just at Thanksgiving. We should give thanks to God for the moon, the stars, something nice someone has done for you, and all good things all year long. Praise God!

Special Music: Precious voice of Cortney Shirley & touching lyrics - "Lead Me to the Cross".

We Welcome Justin, Katie, & Jacob Southall Justin comes in View of a Call to Serve as our Youth Director: Justin attends Howard Payne University. Prayer in preparation for this day revealed the word "Satisfaction" to tie his testimony to a sermon. In Mathew 5:6 we are told that we shall be satisfied. Where does our hunger lead us? Hungering for things of the world will always lead us to wanting more. An appetite for the things of God will lead us to true satisfaction. During hardships in life our eyes are opened to find God in our struggles. In this world we face desires of the flesh, desires of the eyes, and pride of possessions. Chase after the plan that God has for you, only then will you taste true satisfaction and restoration.

Bro. Barry's Closing...It is in life that we choose where our pursuits take us, to God or to the world. It's in death that we face God's final judgment for the choices we made. Will you accept the invitation that God extends

to each and every one of us?

Thank God for the free gift of eternal life through Jesus Christ!

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

Texas Farm Bureau Plans 77th Annual Convention in Waco

(WACO) - Farmers and ranchers will head to the Heart of Texas Dec. 4-6 for Texas Farm Bureau's 77th annual convention. The Waco Convention Center is the site for this grassroots gathering of Texas' largest farm organization.

"We achieved many of our policy goals this year and continue to work on others," said TFB President Kenneth Dierschke. "Thanks to the hard work of our leaders and members, Texas Farm Bureau is a key player in the decisions that will affect the future of this great state."

While the state's largest farm organization prepares to meet the challenges of a new year, Dierschke noted that a long-sought goal for Farm Bureau - true reform of the state's eminent domain laws - looks like it will finally be achieved. Bills supported by Farm Bureau have been pre-filed in the Legislature.

"Governor Perry has indicated his support," he said. "With passage of this meaningful reform, Texans can emphatically say that the Lone Star State is a leader in the protection of private property rights."

Dierschke noted many controversial issues face farmers and ranchers as the Texas Legislature starts a new session in January and a Congress convenes in Washington, D.C. with a host of new faces.

The Texas Legislature will likely address the cornerstones of Texas water law—rule of capture, local control and historical use.

"With Texas' growing population, the stage is set for a showdown over water use," Dierschke said. "We will steadfastly defend agriculture's water rights."

TFB will also be on guard as the Legislature addresses a ballooning deficit and redistricting, which will likely result in Texas losing even more rural representation.

Setting the national stage are important issues including trade, immigration reform and the writing of a new farm bill.

"We need to ensure new farm legislation contains measures that keep farmers on the land during lean times," Dierschke said. "Those safety net provisions are critical—to both farmers and consumers—in maintaining food security in the United States."

Dierschke said members will fine-tune the organization's policies in Waco to meet the challenges of the coming year. Registration for the state convention, along with TFB Member Services exhibits, begins at 9:30 a.m. on Saturday, Dec. 4, at the Waco Convention Center. Other Saturday events include the Miss TFB and Talent Find contests, as well as the Free Enterprise

Events Sunday, Dec. 5, begin with a 9:30 a.m. devotional, followed by member recognition awards, Pioneer Award presentations and the naming of the 2010 Outstanding Young Farmer & Rancher. Sunday afternoon will also feature Dierschke's annual address to the convention delegates.

The meeting concludes Monday, Dec. 6, with the organization's annual business session, including the election of the president and board of directors. Dierschke is seeking his ninth one-year term as Texas Farm Bureau president.

For more information, visit the Texas Farm Bureau website at www.txfb.org.

AUTOMOTIVE

Be Prepared When the Rubber Meets the Snow

(NU) - Millions of motorists will be taking to the highways and byways for holiday travel, so the experts at the nonprofit National Institute for Automotive Service Excellence (ASE) remind drivers to have their vehicle checked out before heading out. "Breakdowns in winter conditions can be especially danger-ous," notes Martin Lawson, ASE's editorial director.

The following tips from ASE will help vehicle owners choose a good repair shop.

Start shopping for a repair fa-

cility before you need one. Ask your friends and associ-

ates for their recommendations, and consult local consumer Arrange for alternate trans-

portation in advance so you will not feel forced to choose a shop based solely on location. · Look for a neat, well-orga-

nized facility, with vehicles in the parking lot equal in value to your own and modern equipment in the service bays. · Look for a courteous staff,

with a service consultant or technicians willing to answer your

Look for policies regarding estimated repair costs, diagnostic fees, guarantees and acceptable

methods of payment. Ask if the repair facility specializes or if it usually handles your type of repair work.

Look for signs of professionalism in the customer service area such as civic, community, or customer service awards.

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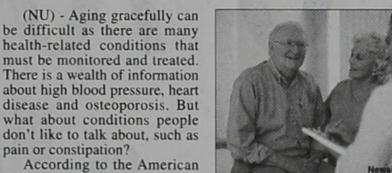
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HEALTH

Aging Americans Should Seek Help for Pain and Discomfort

NewsUSA



Speak to your health care professional for answers about pain or discomfort.

who suffer from pain, and their loved ones, speak with their health care provider and take an active role in managing their pain. People who suffer from pain cluding health care expenses, lost have a right to appropriate as-

sessment and treatment. In addition to persistent pain, constipation is a condition often associated with aging and is caused by a number of factors, including poor diet, lack of exercise or not drinking enough water. Two effective ways to relieve constipation are to eat foods high in fiber and to drink adequate amounts of water each day. To find the latest news and advice on the advancing science behind aging research, visit www.agingresearch.org.

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

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

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

Gastroenterological Association,

older adults are five times more

likely than younger adults to re-

port problems with constipation.

And according to the Centers for

Disease Control and Prevention,

it is estimated that pain affects 53

million Americans. The annual

cost of chronic pain in the U.S.

is estimated to be \$100 billion, in-

tion are concerns for many aging

baby boomers," said Daniel Per-

ry, president and CEO of the Al-

liance for Aging Research. "They

can prevent a person from enjoy-

ing the routine activities that

make life rich and fulfilling, such

as driving, shopping or even hug-

regardless of gender, race or eco-

nomic status, some people have

difficulty getting adequate pain

care. It is important that people

While pain can affect anyone

ging a child or grandchild."

"Persistent pain and constipa-

income and lost productivity.

Boy Scouts Meeting Weekly

Methodist Church Gorman Oaklawn Cemetery Association is accepting dona-

tions 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 4-H – The Club is going to meet the first Wednesday of each month in the New Gym. All people interested in participating are encouraged to attend. The meeting will be at 3:45 -4:45. For more information Call Cindy Underwood

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. Cecil Funderburgh, Master Kenneth Good, Secretary.

sponsored by the Diamond Miss Pageant system. The date is set

for December 4th and Lamar Elementary School in Mineral Wells. The deadline to enter is Wednesday, December 1st. Ages include newborns to 19 years. Boys may enter up

Angel Tree Christmas Pageant

It is time again for the benefit pageant for the Angel Tree

to the age of 4. The boys will only compete against boys. There a 3 baby age divisions and 6 divisions for the 3-19 year olds. Competition includes modeling a party dress, dress outfit

for boys, and a sportswear outfit. The 3-19 year olds may compete in talent also. Optional areas are the Christmas event, anything related to the holiday such as a costume, pajamas, dress Christmas outfit, etc. Portfolio and photogenic are also optional. There will be a baby overall winner - to be eligible the

baby must compete in the modeling and Christmas event. For the overall in the 3-19 year olds the contestant must compete in modeling and talent. There will be a winner in each listed area of competition. Modeling and talent will have runner up spots. Talent time is limited to 2 minutes and 50 seconds, but may be

The pageant starts at 9 a.m. -- the doors will open by 8:30. Please be ready to start on time.

All monies made over expenses will be donated to the Angel Tree. Raffle tickets will be sold prior to and during the pageant for a large grill. The drawing will take place at the pageant. This money will also go to the Angel Tree.

For information about the pageant or to get an entry form call 940-325-4937, 940-452-1204 or 940-659-8546. Entry forms will be available at Dancin Etc., The Chamber of Commerce in Mineral Wells and West Side Laundromat. Please try to help us make this a great success for the Angel Tree.

About Meeting the Crisis Of Our Human Mortality

From Henry A. Buchanan

The Obama Health Plan is not yet in effect, and already we have a problem. Not enough doctors! When everybody has health insurance we will all have health problems and have to go to the doctor for

And the medical doctors will be overworked and underpaid. Especially the Primary Care doctors who get people with aches and pains and insurance but not sick enough or rich enough to require specialists. Result: There will be inequality which will call for polls to keep the public informed on how much less the Primary Care doctors make than the specialists are rewarded for their services.

But don't give up. There's a challenge in every problem. The challenge is for more young Americans to go into medical practice instead of military service. Wouldn't it be nobler to save lives than to kill people? We could even have special awards for the Primary Care physicians who save the most lives - even those who relieve the most pain - like we have for military heroes. The President could drape an Asclepios Medal about the Most Distinguished Physician of All.

And so far, gays and lesbians are not excluded from the Medical Profession! Come forward, Young Americans. You can Ask and Tell, and save America. With some partnership with the arts we can fashion a Caduceus gleaming on white coats to match the Stars on a General's

(s) Henry A. Buchanan 1131 N. Kent St. -- Gorman, TX 76454 254-734-4569 -- November 18, 2010

Want to win \$50?

Then enter the Harvest Bake Show on Saturday, November 27. That \$50 will be the Grand Prize for this bake show sponsored by Women's Division at their annual Arts & Crafts Fair on Saturday of Thanksgiving weekend in De Leon.

Anyone can enter, from 1st graders through adults, no matter where you live. In fact, if you lived on another planet and could get your entry here, you could enter it! So encourage your Thanksgiving visitors to participate, too, whether they are from another planet, another town or just down the street.

Last year, at their 20th Annual Arts & Crafts Fair, the Women's Division held a Pumpkin-Pecan Bake Show. This year they changed it to a Harvest Bake Show, increasing the variety of ingredients that could be included. You could even use this as a "trial run" for an item containing pecans to enter in the Pecan Bake Show which the De Leon 4-H Club will sponsor the following week.

HARVEST BAKE SHOW Saturday, November 27, 2010 Check-in entries between 9:00 and 9:30 a.m.

(The Arts & Crafts Fair opens at 9 a.m.) De Leon City Auditorium at 137 S. Texas St. in De Leon, TX

Anyone from 1st grade - adult, regardless of residence If you have questions about the Harvest Bake Show, please email HarvestBakeShow@hotmail.com.

So start planning your entries and maybe you will win that \$50 prize!

FOOD

Need an Easy, **Healthy Lunch?**

(NU) - Those who want to save money and improve their diets can't do better than brownbagging their lunch. Look for recipes that use

fresh, whole ingredients and that combine protein with healthy carbohydrates. For example, the following recipe for Rio Star Grape-fruit & Quinoa Salad combines vegetables and citrus fruit with quinoa, a whole grain that supplies a complete protein.

Quinoa, which is like couscous in texture, contains protein, iron, fiber and vitamin B6, while fresh grapefruit contains vitamins A and C. Look for Texas Rio Star Grapefruit, a red variety that's especially sweet. When choosing grapefruit, pick one that feels heavy for its size - that means that it's extra juicy.

Rio Star Grapefruit & Quinoa Salad Makes Four Servings

Ingredients:

1 Texas Rio Star Grapefruit, sectioned and peeled (reserve the peel)

1 Texas Orange, sectioned

8 thin slices fresh ginger 1/4 cup extra-virgin olive oil

3/4 cup quinoa 1/2 teaspoon kosher salt, plus

additional for seasoning 1 tablespoon white wine vinegar

2 teaspoons honey

1 small serrano or jalapeno

chile, minced 2 scallions, minced

2 carrots, peeled and diced 2 tablespoons chopped fresh

cilantro leaves Freshly ground black pepper

Directions:

Warm the grapefruit peel, ginger and olive oil in a small



Quinoa and grapefruit make for a healthy, tasty combination.

saucepan over medium heat. As soon as the oil starts to bubble, remove from heat. Set the oil aside to steep for 30 minutes. Strain and reserve the oil. 2. Meanwhile, rinse and drain

the quinoa, and follow the package directions to cook. Transfer the quinoa to a bowl and fluff with a fork. Cool. Segment the grapefruit over

a bowl, reserving the segments and juice separately. Whisk 3 tablespoons of the grapefruit juice with the vinegar, honey and salt to taste in a medium bowl. Gradually whisk in 3 tablespoons of the reserved grapefruit oil, starting with a few drops and then adding the rest in a stream to make a slightly thick dressing. Season with pepper to taste.

4. Toss the quinoa with the dressing, chiles, scallions, carrots and cilantro. Season with salt and

pepper, to taste.
5. Toss the grapefruit segment into the salad, divide among four plates. Serve warm or at room

6. Serving suggestion: This salad makes a great packed lunch. If you want to serve this salad at

dinner, try it with grilled salmon.

Desdemona

By Vonnie Guthery

"County and Western Musical" Desdemona Monthly Musical will be held on Saturday night, November 247th at the Community Center (Former school building), Concession stand will open at 5:30 p.m. serving sandwiches, homemade pie and drinks. Come early to enjoy supper with all of the group before the music program begins at 6:00 p.m. All area Musicians and singers are invited to attend. This is a "SMOKE FREE" environment and the admission is "FREE".

First Baptist Church of Desdemona had attendance of 62 on Sunday. Shirley Shirley led the song service with Karen Fair at the piano. Visitors attended from Houston, Fort Worth, Stephenville and Gorman. To begin the Morning Service there was a beautiful baptism service for Ismael Garcia followed by a wonderful message from our pastor, Bro. Charlie Johnson. After the service, Stew, Chili, Beans, cornbread and desserts were served for everyone at the Church Annex. Visitors are invited to attend Sunday School at 10:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. for the Morning Service.

Friends of Desdemona send sincere sympathy to the family of Nell Ridens, 81 of Desdemona. Burial was on Thursday in the Desdemona Cemetery. Survivors include two sons, Bert Good and Claude Ridens; three daughters, Sarah Davis, Beth Underwood and Suzie Patterson; two brothers; several grandchildren and a host of friends. Preceded in death by her parents, Edward and Pearl Tison; her husband, Claude "Jack" Ridens; her son, Royce Ridens and granddaughter, J. J. Clark Rainey.

"HAPPY THANKSGIVING" to our friends and neighbors from Pug and Vonnie Guthery.

-- Randy's Roundup --

A Weekly Newsletter from Congressman Randy Neugebauer November 22, 2010

A Taxing Situation

If you're keeping count, there are only 39 days until the New Year and the LARGEST tax hike in American history. After the first week of the Lame Duck session, Speaker Pelosi's Congress is no closer to preventing these job-killing tax hikes for every taxpayer. Letting the estate tax return to 55 percent, cutting the child tax credit in half and letting several other tax provisions expire at the end of the year is a tax increase our economy cannot handle. What I know and what the American people know is that raising taxes during the worst economy in decades will kill even more jobs and lead to greater uncertainty for small businesses looking to expand. As December 31st approaches along with this massive \$3.9 trillion tax hike, I will continue to fight to make the tax cuts permanent for everyone by promoting my bill, the Taxpayer Certainty Act. If this November has made anything clear to the Democrats in Congress, it's that the American people want a trimmed down government that taxes less and significantly reduces spending in Washington.

A Thanksgiving Message

As we gather together over the Thanksgiving holiday, I hope that you will take the time to remember the things you are thankful for and express your gratitude to loved ones. In today's ever changing world, families are the strong support system our children rely on to become responsible and productive members of the community. A strong America relies on strong families.

As families and friends come together this week, we should also remember those who are not able to join their loved ones to celebrate Thanksgiving. Our thoughts and prayers go out to all of the men and women in our Armed Forces serving far away from home. We are thankful for the sacrifices both you and your your safe return.

Thanksgiving is also a reminder of the agricultural bounty of this nation. We have been blessed with fertile land and dedicated farmers and producers who bring forth a great harvest each year. It is important to remember those who have brought the food we will enjoy this week to our tables.

It is my sincere honor to represent the people of the 19th District in Congress. I am thankful for this opportunity and pledge to you to continue diligently serving you. May God continue to bless our country and our families this Thanksgiving season.

Important Dates for Military Families

With Christmas fast approaching, the mail rush is already beginning. For those military families considering sending a package to their loved ones overseas, there are several important nembers. postal dates you should remember.

For those who have family members serving in Iraq and Afghanistan, holiday packages and mail should be sent no later than December 4th. If a member of your family is serving in another part of the world, holiday mail should be shipped no later than December 18th. For more information on military mail, please visit the USPS website.

Staff Mobile Office Hours Next Week

Next week, members of my staff will be hosting the last mobile office hours of the year to visit with constituents in West Texas and the Big Country. During mobile office hours the 19th District staff will gladly offer assistance with problems regarding federal issues or agencies. If you are experiencing problems with a federal government agency or want to share your opinion on issues in Congress, I invite you to come and visit with a member of my staff while they are visiting a location near you. For more information on the dates and locations of the mobile office hours, please click here.

In the event you are unable to attend one of these upcoming mobile office hours, I encourage you to contact my office any time, toll free, at (888) 763-1611 or visit my website to contact me via email.

"Question of the Week"

In the world of the 24-hour news cycle, how do you receive news that is important to you?

Please visit my website to submit your answer to this

week's question.

As always, when events unfold in Washington, I will be sure to update you. In the meantime, do not hesitate to visit my website or call my office toll free district wide at (888) 763-1611 or my Washington, DC office at 202-225-4005.

-- Randy

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Senior Citizens News

By Carol Ward

We enjoyed a nice turnout of 30 people for our Thanksgiving meal on November 17. We could not have the Center for the 10th due to the fire at ZJ's. I received many compliments about our dinner, saying it was better than any other they had been to. I want to thank all that made this possible by bringing wonderful dishes. Also enjoyed many guests. Bro. Frank Shirley was gracious to give the blessing for all.

Crystal Conway from Integra Care in Cisco brought us fried chicken from Brookshires. Very kind of her. We always enjoy visiting with her. She will have a baby in a couple of months. We also enjoyed Ham, dressing by Estelle Lindley's daughter Ann, thanks to her for helping out. Also mixed veggies, green beans, corn casserole, mashed potatoes, sweet potatoes, veg. relishes and cranberry sauce. Betty Frazier's daughter, Virginia brought a pretty vegetable green salad. Betty Regian came with her baby she cares for and brought her delicious rolls. Thanks loads, we had missed them. Our desserts were fruit and Jello, 2 fruit cook whip fluff, 3 cakes and a very good Banana pudding by Estelle. I thought later we had no pies, how strange. Our table was pretty and festive with plenty to enjoy. I forgot Jennifer Overstreet did bring a cheese cake made with crescent rolls. Very tasty. She enjoyed being with her Grandpa Wilburn Overstreet. Also Becky and Linda from Birdsong came, good to see them. Cliffa Vaughn, Lil Brudnak and Ima Brown also with us. Lil feeling improved, always good to visit with them. Where was our Banker James, missed him, had plenty of food.

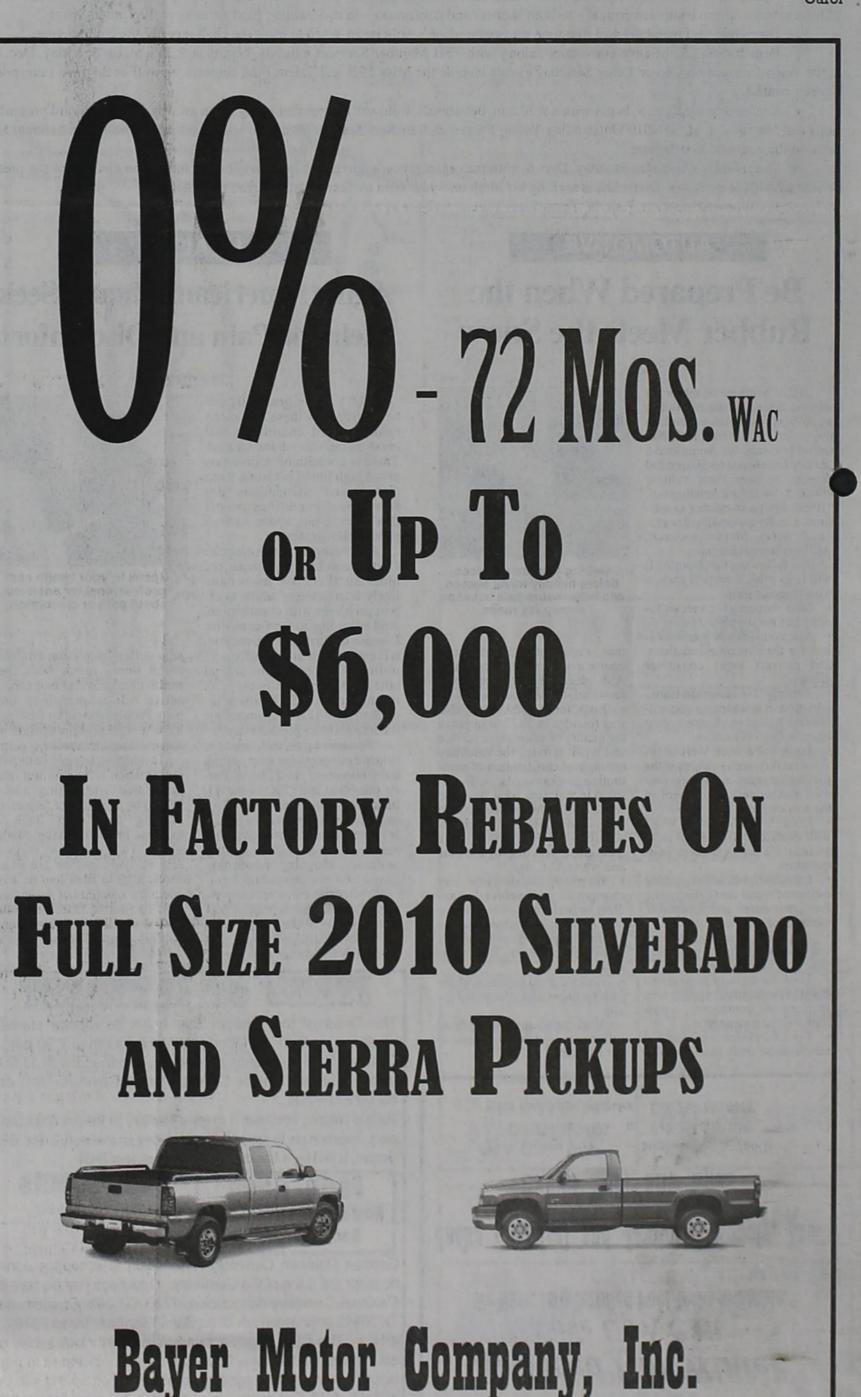
Deborah Jackson, Ruthie Porter's helper sure was a helper to me. I was just about out on my feet, don't think I could stand 30 people every week. HA! I've felt so terrible lately, then had a tetanus shot, and made me so sick. I guess that's what it was, effected my head and nerves.

We celebrated Jerry Underwood's 90th Birthday. I tried to surprise her, believe it worked. Cecilia Hirst made a very pretty cake with fall colors. The decorations were fall colored chrysanthemums, she could float later. Also had a chocolate turtle cake for Daisy Slaton's 89th birthday which was that day.

On the 20th Daisy's family had a birthday party for her at the Hotel dinning room. It was meant to be a CARD party, but a certain person put CAKE. Actually two people brought cakes, took the paper literally. HA! There was a good turnout of family and friends. Cecilia also made her cake, similar to Jerry's but with live Daisys. So pretty in yellow and white. Her families have made on behalf of our great country and pray for other two cakes were red velvet and 22 minute chocolate cake. All delicious with good punch.

> We will not meet this week due to Thanksgiving. I hope all of you have a good Holiday with family or friends. Keep well and Happy. Sometimes hard to do at our ages.

> > Carol



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