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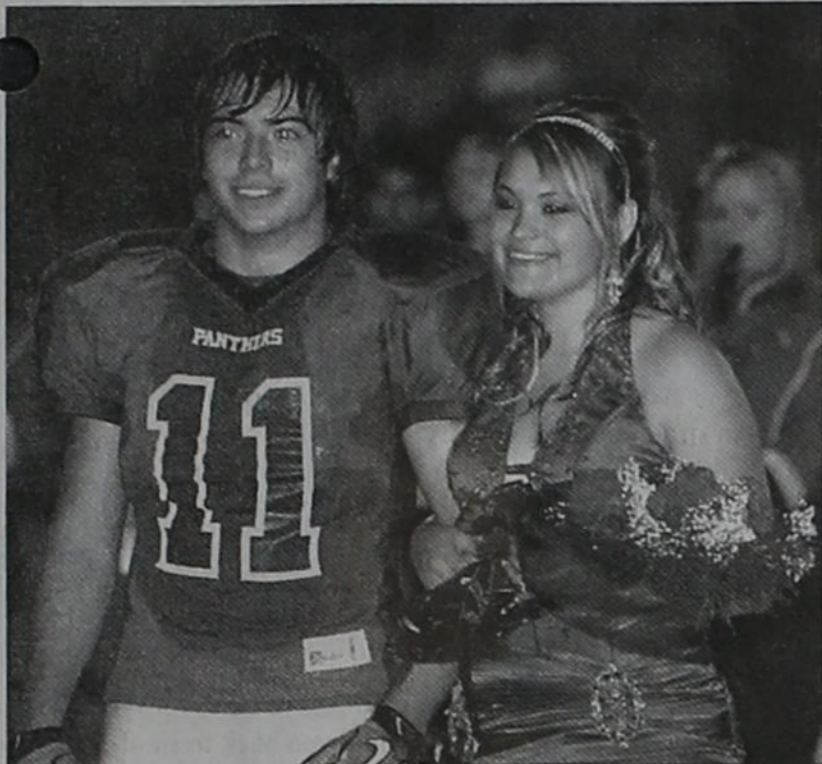
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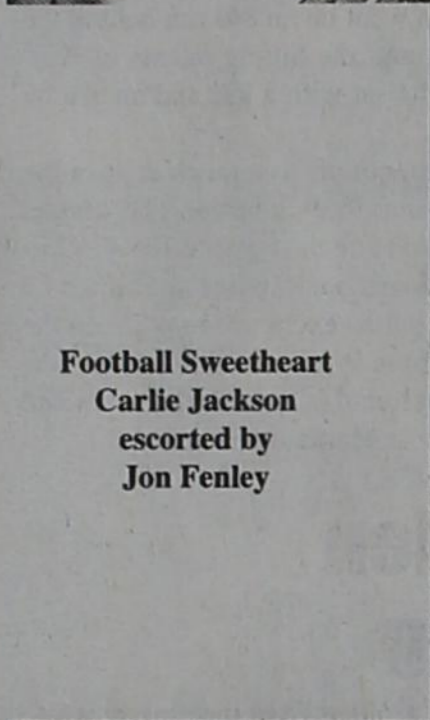
GORMAN HIGH SCHOOL

HOMECOMING FESTIVITIES HELD FRIDAY NIGHT

Menard Spoils Homecoming; Panthers To Host Santo



Homecoming Queen
Chelsea Griffin
escorted by
Matt Fox



Football Sweetheart
Carlie Jackson
escorted by
Jon Fenley



Band Sweetheart
Trish Reneau
escorted by
Band Beau Stetson Thompson



Coming Home Queen
Ernestine Todd Shugart



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GAME AT A GLANCE		GORMAN	MENARD
14	First Downs	11	
41/151	Carries/Yds	31/471	
78	Yds Passing	0	
6 of 13/1	Pass Cplt./Int	0 of 2/1	
3 / 2	Fumbles/Lost	2 / 2	
3 / 27	Punts/Avg.	1/31	
5/50	Penalties	12/135	

The Menard Yellow-jackets spoiled the festive mood at the Homecoming Game Friday night with four runs of 50 or more yards for a lop-sided 35-6 victory. The Big Red Defense just couldn't contain Jonathan Burgess who broke the game open with long runs all game.

The Jackets received the opening kickoff on the Gorman 37 and scored in just one big blast as Burgess raced the distance for the TD with 11:38 left in the period. The kick for point failed and the score was 6-0.

Menard scored again on their third possession after holding the Panthers on the Menard 14 and Burgess took off on the first play and raced 86 yards for the score with 2:41 left in the first. A pass play added the 2 pointer for a 14-0 score. This score remained through the first half as both teams went scoreless in the second period.

The Jackets held the Panthers on the opening possession and got the ball on their own 12. Again in just one huge play Burgess broke loose for 88 yards and scored with 9:01 left in the third. The kick for point was good and the margin was 21-0.

However the Panthers answered right back with a 52 yard drive of their own in 9 plays after getting the ball on their own 48 when Zack Carlton hit Matt Fox on a beautiful 38 pass and run with 4:28 left in the period. The kick for point failed and Menard led 21-6. The drive featured runs of 6 and 6 by B.J. Ramirez. A complete pass of 7 for a first down. A 2 yard run by Fox. Then a pass to Sergio Hipolito for 6 before Fox caught the scoring pass.

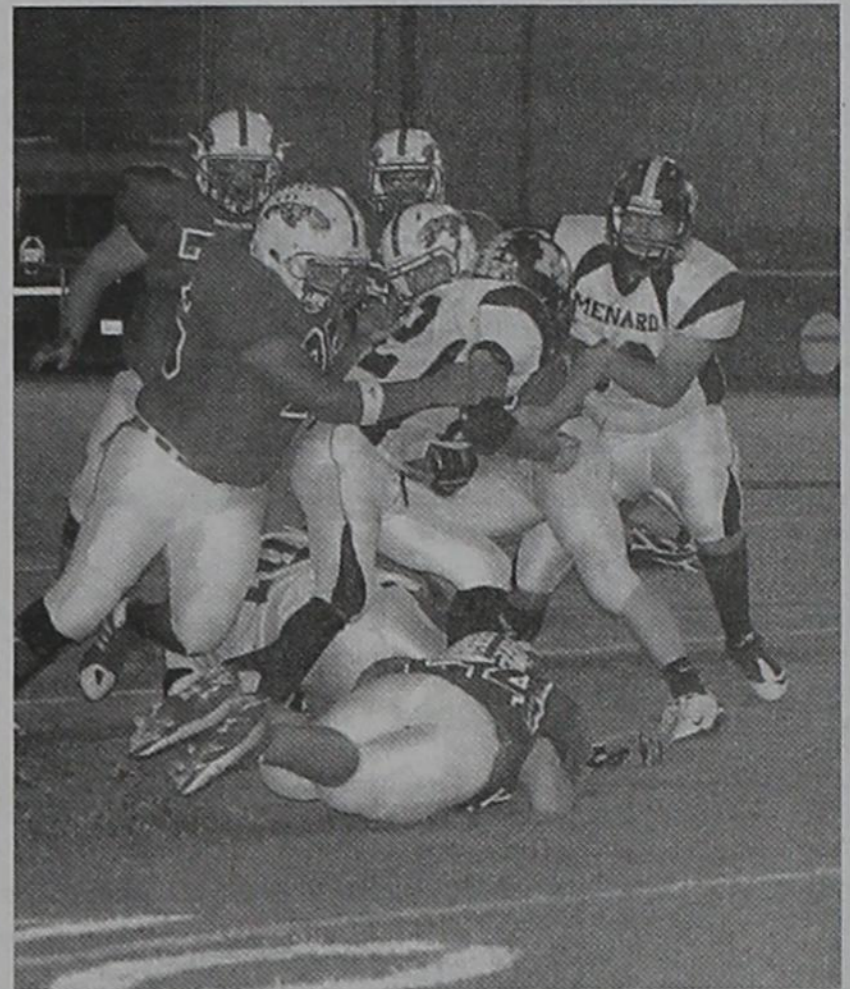
The Jackets answered right back on a 58 yard run by Burgess after getting the ball on their own 42 with 3:11 left in the third. A kick added the point after and the score was 28-6.

This score held up till 9:40 left in the game when the Jackets scored on a 8 play drive for 56 yards with Daniel Martin getting the final 5 yards on a run. The point after made the final score 35-6.

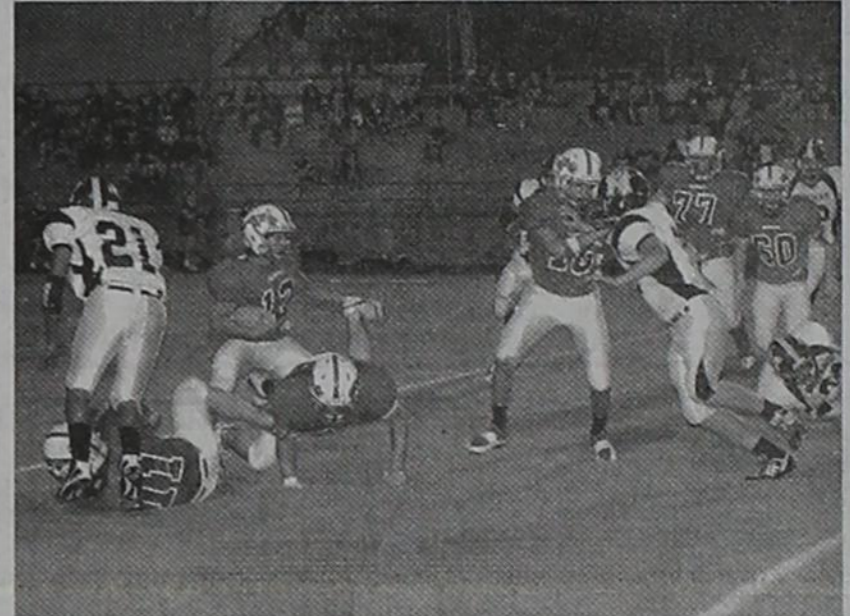
Matt Fox led the Panthers with 78 yards on 6 carries. Ramirez had 71 on 22 tries and Yovani Palacios got 3 yards on 1 run.

The Panthers will host a strong Santo team at Brogdon Field on Friday night. Santo has a very good team and should give the Panthers strong competition. So come on out and back our Panthers to a victory.

Go Get "Em Big Red!!

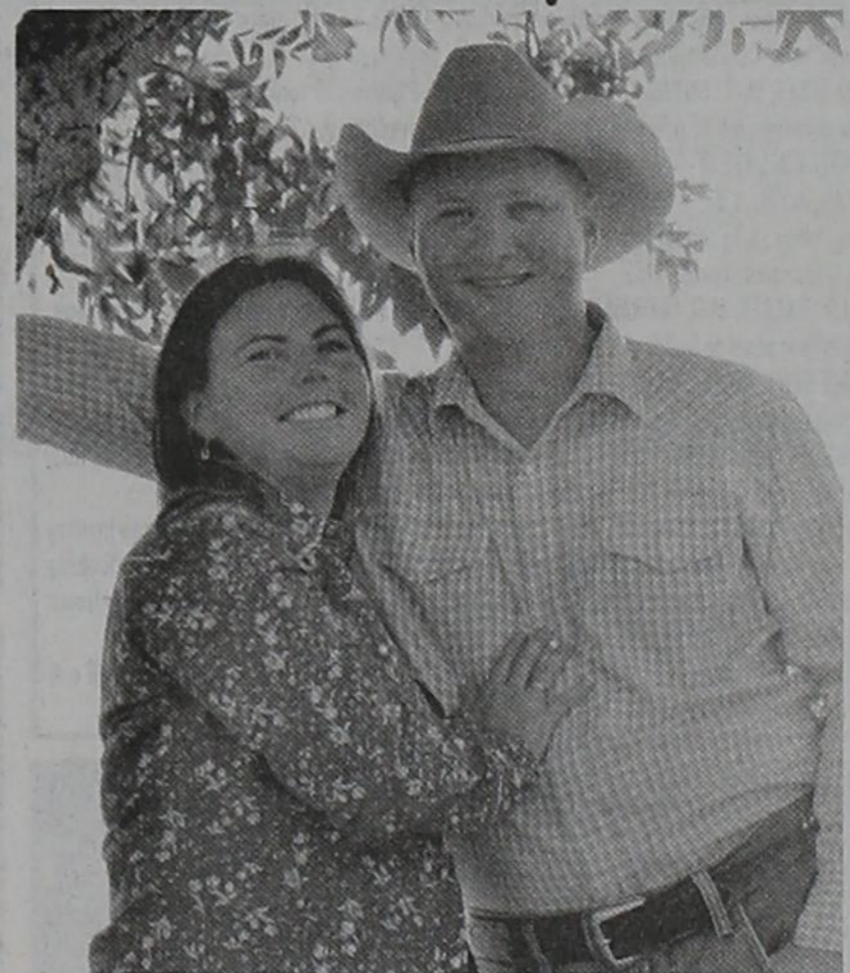


JACKET STOPPED - Louis Limon, James Thomas and several other Panthers stop a Jacket runner for short yardage.



FOLLOWING BLOCKERS - B.J. Ramirez is shown following his blockers, Matt Fox, Yovani Palacios, Stetson Thompson, Jon Fenley help to keep BJ going for extra yardage in game action against the Menard Yellowjackets.

Shippo - Sackett, III To Pledge Nuptials On October 15th in Granbury



Ray and Sue Ann Shippo are pleased to announce the upcoming wedding of their daughter, Carrie Shippo to John Sackett III of Morgan Mill, Texas. He is the son of John and Patricia Sackett II of Kenefick, Texas.

The bride is a 2008 graduate of Tarleton State University earning a Bachelor of Science degree in Animal Science. She is employed as a Soils Conservation Planner with the NRCS in Graham.

The bridegroom is a 2005 graduate of Tarleton State University earning a Masters in Agriculture. He is employed as a Soils Scientist at the NRCS in Stephenville.

The wedding is slated for October 15th at Whispering Creek Ranch in Granbury, Texas.

"The Foundations" At New Hope

More than any time in America's history, the culture is detached from God and willingly ignorant of His hand in creation and world events.

"The Foundations," a video series by Australian born Ken Ham, will be shown at New Hope Baptist Church beginning Sunday, October 2 at 6:00 P.M.

Many people have decided that the Bible is out of date and that the words of Jesus are not always true. In "The Foundations" series of 30 minute video presentations, Ken Ham uses news stories of recent events combined with Scripture to address today's most pressing issues.

With the constant threat of terrorism, a failing economy, and a growing frequency and intensity of natural disasters, many people are asking, "Why?" Using many photos, illustrations, and attention-getting graphics, along with a hard-hitting and often humorous presentation, Ken Ham answers, the "Why?"

One video session will be presented each Sunday evening for twelve weeks. Each session in the series is a stand alone presentation.

The entire community is invited to attend any or all of these presentations. A nursery will be provided.

Notice of Public Hearing

Notice is hereby given that a Public Hearing will be held before the Eastland County Commissioners' Court on the 11th day of October, 2011, in the Eastland County Commissioners' Courtroom, Eastland, Texas at 8:45 a.m., for the purpose of hearing all parties in interest and citizens who desire to be heard concerning taxing goods in transit according to S.B. 1.

Date this 22nd day of September, 2011.

ITEMS OF INTEREST

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

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

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 734-5085.

SANDRA CAGLE WILL BE IN GORMAN AT THE CITY OFFICE TO RENEW AUTO LICENSE PLATES. HER NEXT VISIT IS WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 21ST FROM 9 TIL NOON.

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

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

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.

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11.917 ACRES, M/L - GORMAN - 1 tank, 1 old water well, mostly mesquite and some oak. Excellent place to build. A3

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HUNTING & GRAZING - 257.53 AC. Mostly mesquite, food plots for deer, grazing or hay, tanks, good fences on 2 sides, Nash Creek, rolling terrain A18

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Obituary
Glenn Allen Scitern

Glenn Allen Scitern, age 43, passed away Wednesday, September 21, 2011 at his home near Cisco after a long courageous battle with cancer.

Services were at 3:00 P.M. Saturday at the Higginbotham Funeral Home Chapel with Bro. Carey Scott officiating. Burial was in Simpson Cemetery.

Allen was born June 28, 1968 in Gorman Texas to Glenn/Kathel Scitern and Margie Kathryn "Kathy" Caraway Scitern. He was a graduate of Gorman High School. He married Dena Faulk on July 11, 1998 at her parents home in the Kokomo Community. Allen worked for Ebba Iron for 17 years. He was a member of the Eastside Church of Christ in Ranger.

He is survived by his wife, Dena Scitern of Cisco; son, Reece Scitern and a baby daughter, Laney Scitern both of the home; his parents, Glenn and Kathy Scitern of Gorman; two brothers, Stephen Scitern and wife, Shawnda of Anson and Scott Scitern and wife, Donna of Desdemona; two sisters, Becca Woodall and husband, Jimmy of Gorman and Jennifer Young and husband, Chad of Gorman; grandmothers, Bonnie Scitern of Gorman and Rozzelle Caraway of Gorman; father-in-law and mother-in-law, Monty and Faye Faulk of Cisco; brother-in-law, Steven Faulk of Fort Worth and several aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews and cousins. He was preceded in death by both of his grandfathers, Jake Caraway and Alvis Scitern and an uncle, Gerald Scitern.

Donations may be made to the American Cancer Society.

FOR SALE: Dog Pen - 6' w x 8' l x 4' h and Dog House for sale. Please call 254-639-2476. 1TP

WANTED: 1962 GHS Panther Spirit Annual. Lost mine in '82 house fire. 50th Anniversary coming up and need to locate classmates. If you have a copy you would part with I would be happy to purchase it. Please call: Larry Campbell at 254-631-8938.

"On The Wilder Side"

I have a confession to make. I, like other well meaning Christians, have been guilty of saying that Christians are not fit to be in God's presence. I have used words like "unrighteousness" and "unworthy" to describe our state in relation to God. I know I am not the only one to do this because I have often heard sermons and devotionals that point out the world's miserable situation without God.

The truth is, God has always allowed men to be in His presence, but always on His terms. In Exodus 19:10 we read, "And the LORD said to Moses, 'Go to the people and consecrate them today and tomorrow. Have them wash their clothes and be ready by the third day, because on that day the LORD will come down on Mount Sinai in the sight of all the people.'" God came to the Israelites, but only under His circumstances. Later in the book of Leviticus, God prescribes laws that the priest must follow to be able to perform duties in the Tabernacle and be in God's presence. In the first part of Numbers the nation is given certain laws they must follow to be in God's presence. God has always allowed men to be in His presence, but always on His terms.

In the same way, God gives us terms by which we might come into His presence. If you don't come to God on His terms, then He will not accept you, you are unworthy and unrighteous. It is only by the blood of Christ that we are cleansed from our sin and considered to be righteous and holy, and therefore completely worthy of being in God's presence (read Romans 8:10). It is by His blood that we are sanctified, accepted, worthy, and righteous. Don't ever let anyone tell you aren't worthy of God's love and the blood of Christ. He chose to die for you and who are we to disagree with that!

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

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Lady Panthers Start District Play - 1-1

Gorman's volleyball team began district play this past week. Following a loss to Albany (1-0) and a win Saturday against Lingleville (1-1), the Lady Panthers (1-1) are feeling optimistic about district play.

Last Tuesday in Albany, the Lions pulled away in straight sets to beat Gorman 27-25, 25-20, 25-20 and hand the Lady Panthers a loss on their district opener.

"We came out with a lot of intensity but unfortunately, a lot of errors also" Coach Jim Wood said. After trailing throughout the first set, and with Albany at set point 24-19, Junior Rachel Tucker served five straight points to tie the score at 24-24. A Gorman hitting error gave Albany set point again. Then a serving error by the Lady lions tied the score once again at 25-25. The Gorman rally ended there after Albany scored the next two points to take the first set 27-25.

Sets two and three were very similar to each other, Albany would get a small lead and the Lady Panthers just couldn't seem to close the gaps to cut into those leads. "Despite losing, I felt like we did a lot of good things in this match. We hit very aggressively, had 12 blocks and 63 digs for the match but just couldn't score points when we needed to" Wood said.

Lady Panthers Defeat Lady Cardinals

The Gorman volleyball team picked up their first district win of the season this past Saturday at home against Lingleville, winning in straight sets 25-20, 25-15, 25-21.

After trading points early in the first set, the Lady Panthers got on track offensively and took a 23-15 lead. Lingleville quickly cut into that lead when they scored five consecutive points to cut the lead to three. However, that was as close as the Lady Cardinals got after a side out and a kill by Melissa Ramirez helped Gorman take the first set.

In the second set, Gorman jumped out to a 10-4 lead, led by a strong serving effort. Lingleville came back to tie the game at 10-10. The Lady Panthers then went on an 8-0 run behind the serving skills of Cortney Shirley and the hitting talents of Kinsey Johnston. Gorman finished the set with a kill and an ace by Ramirez.

The Lady Panthers again, got off to a quick start in the third set with a strong serving game from Johnston and Megan Gray. Lingleville once again rallied to tie the game at 18-18. Gorman regained the lead on kills by Johnston, Ramirez and an ace by Holly Wood. The Lady Panthers put an exclamation point on the match with a crushing hit by Johnston to take the third set and the match. Gorman will finish the first round of district play this week when they travel to Ranger then host Moran on Saturday.

Carbon Golden Exes Meeting

Friday Night before the Golden Exes meeting on Oct. 1 or on September 30, the First Baptist Church of Carbon's Fellowship Hall will be open that afternoon for visitation, lemonade, cookies and peanuts; and a 6: 00 p.m. meal of Spaghetti, salad, and desserts for all the people visiting Carbon for the big day. Join us there. The Classes of 1949, and 1948 will act as your host. If eating an \$8.00 fee will be assessed. Please join us there. If you have a question please call June Tucker Hicks at 254-639-2444. Please invite others as the e-mail names on this list are all that I have in my contacts. There is a nostalgia about Carbon, Texas that no other town can claim.

Rising Star OctoberFest

The Rising Star Chamber of Commerce will sponsor the annual **Octoberfest** on Saturday, October 8th in the Rising Star City Park. Events include the BBQ Cook-Off, sanctioned by the Lone Star BBQ Society, craft booths, musical entertainment, antique cars and tractors and bounce house for the kids to enjoy. There will be a parade at 10 a.m. And for lunch, the chamber will have BBQ sandwiches, hamburgers and hotdogs for sale. Star Pride will be on hand with breakfast items and desserts to top off the lunch meal. Vendors are welcome and encouraged to come and set up in the park. There will be beef briskets available for sale the day of the event. These will be prepared by professional cooks Gary McGinn and David McInroe. There will also be a Silent Auction under the pavilion. For details, call Judy at 254-643-5048. Something for everyone at **Rising Star Octoberfest**.

A Letter To The Editor By Henry A. Buchanan

About Israel, the Palestinians and U.S.

The United States, with President Obama as spokesman, has blocked the Palestinians in their effort to become a full partner in the United Nations. This is an unwise effort on our part to maintain Israel's supremacy in the Middle East power struggle. It will be seen by the Arab world as unfair use of our power and prestige.

The reasons for our action are both political and religious. The political reason is stated this way: Israel is the only Democracy in that part of the world and the United States has to protect Democracy.

This is spurious reasoning expressed in dishonest terms. Our concern should be for freedom of all people to choose their own form of government. This principle applies to the Israeli Palestinian conflict and our relationship to both parties to the conflict. We have made terrible mistakes in Iraq and Afghanistan and are counting worse trouble in Pakistan. A glance into a mirror should be enough to tell us our policy is wrong.

The religious bias is even worse. We have made too much of the Judeo-Christian America concept promoted by the preachers of the idea that Israel is God's chosen people and should hold the lad by Divine Fiat forever, and that "Christian America" should be God's instrument in making this effective. We are not even God's Chosen People ourselves. We were once rich and powerful and theologically misled into this false view of ourselves and Israel. Consequently, the State of Israel has become rich and powerful and threatens to become a new David risen out of the ashes of the holocaust. The greater part of God's children on this Earth are living in poverty outside the borders of both the United States and Israel. The MidEast has erupted in revolution, and American power as the Big Dog in the fight is greatly diminished and it begins to appear that the Tail is wagging the Dog. It is now a time for America to stand aside and watch the fight. It is not a time to interfere in the attempt to determine its outcome.

(s) Henry A. Buchanan
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Pig Tales From Hogtown

Please plan to come to the old schoolhouse in Desdemona on Thursday evening if you are interested in trying to keep our post office open. Officials from the post office will be there and we need to show them that we need our post office. Be prepared to ask questions and give your reasons for wanting to keep the post office. The meeting begins at 5:00 – please come.

This Saturday, October 1, is 'Breakfast at the DAC' from 7:00 until 10:00. Hope you all can join us for a delicious breakfast, a great way to start your weekend. The cost is by donation.

Our area has been very fortunate not to have the awful fires that have plagued so many areas of Texas. Please continue to observe the burn ban and be very careful in whatever you do outside.

Pray for rain.

See you in Desdemona!
Carol Pell



Homecoming Queen Candidate
Rebekah Powel escorted by James Thomas

Carbon Fire Dept. Benefit

The Sixth Annual Carbon Community Fellowship and Volunteer Fire Department Benefit Dinner will be held on Saturday, October 22nd at the Carbon Community Baptist Church - the Old Carbon School.

The menu will be fried venison, fried catfish, barbecued beef brisket, potato salad, coleslaw, red beans, bread, dessert, tea or coffee and water.

Serving will begin at 5 p.m. and continues until 7 p.m. There will be musical entertainment and a live auction.

Come Enjoy A Visit With Your Neighbor, Great Food and Fellowship with Support For The Carbon Volunteer Fire Department.

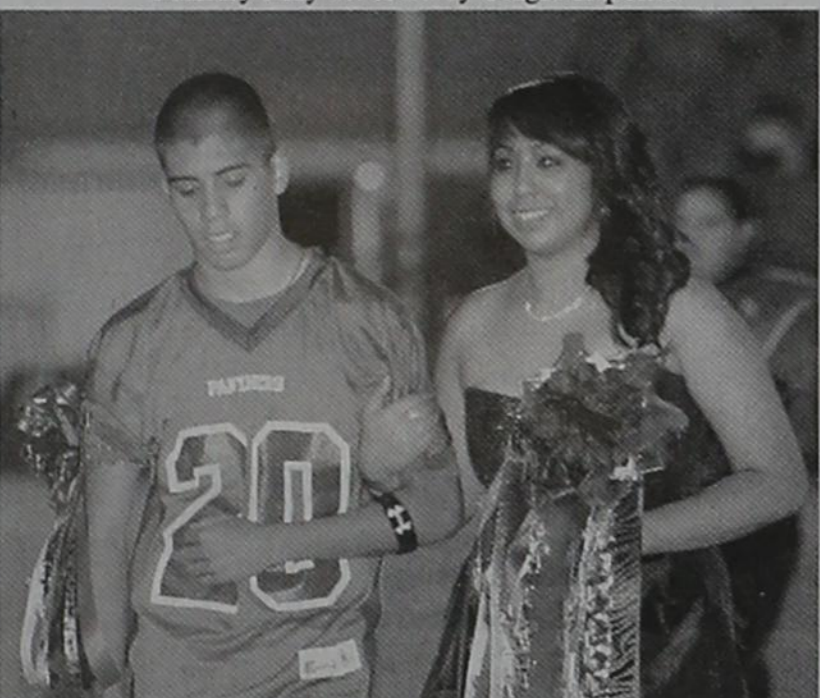


Homecoming Queen Candidate
Mallory May escorted by Sergio Hipolito

GOOBER GOURMET BAKE-OFF

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	1st Alyson Johnson 2nd	Drake McCamey Baxter Krug	Lucretia Coan Shirley Lewis
COOKIES:	1st. Mitchell Kellar	Aubrey Kellar Lilly Krug	Shirley Lewis
CANDY:	1ST Kody Johnson 2nd	Aubrey Kellar Lilly Krug	Shylee Smith Freda Johnson
Snacks:	1st Joey Salinas 2nd Mitchell Kellar	Aubrey Kellar Lilly Krug	Lucretia Coan Connie Gonzalez



Junior Class Princess
Dalilla Hipolito escorted by Sergio Garcia

Carbon Golden Exes Supper

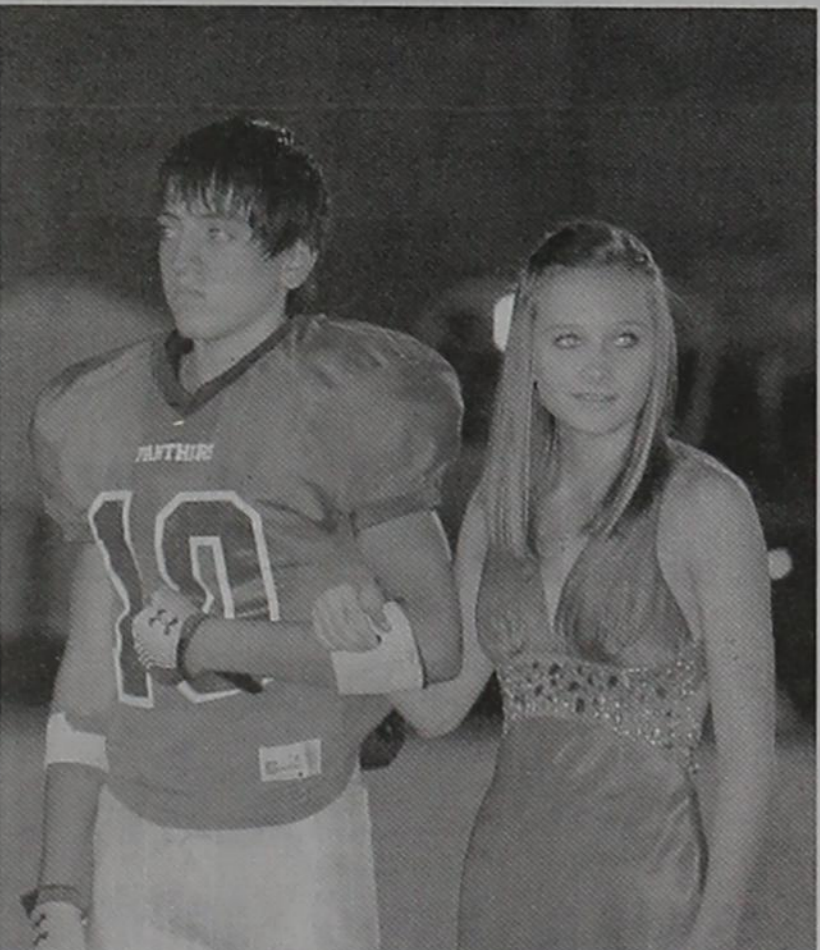
Several graduating classes or interested former students of Carbon High School have planned on getting together for supper on Friday night, 6:00 p.m., Sept. 30, at the Fellowship Hall of Bethel Baptist Church, 1306 West Main Street, Eastland Texas. Thus, if you are in town on the night before the Carbon Golden Exes just come, eat supper and enjoy the fellowship of being with people from Carbon.

You need no reservation just a love for all things Carbon. Roast beef with potatoes, chicken spaghetti, beef spaghetti, salad, bread, drinks, and desserts will be on the menu. Eight dollars a plate will be charged. Or, you don't have to eat, just come and enjoy the fellowship. Because of space and seating this is a change of meeting place from the first announcement. Graduating classes of the '40s, 1949; 1953, and many others will have their class meeting here.

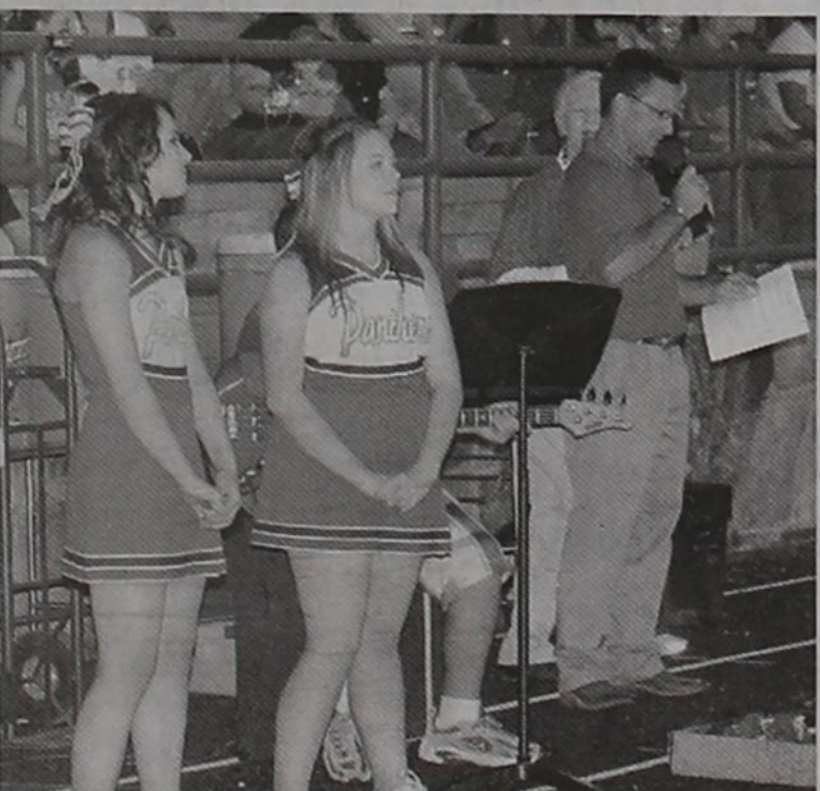
For more information, you may call 254-433-2422.



Sophomore Class Princess
Melissa Ramirez escorted by Sheldon Fenley



Freshman Class Princess
Megan Gray escorted by Yovani Palacios



BENEFIT FOR SIDNEY FFA

Hosted By Sidney Lions Club
Monday, October 3rd
Starts At 5 to 8 P.M.

Fried Catfish with all the trimmings
There Will Be A Cake Auction

Cook's Fish Barn

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Notice of Public Meeting

The Gorman Housing Authority will hold a Public Meeting on Wednesday, September 28, 2011 at 2:00 P.M. at the Assembly Room of the Hotel. 102 S. Fisher St. Gorman, Texas 76454. The Annual Plan will be on display, we will be discussing the plan and want to hear your comments on the 2012 plan. All documents will be on display at the office of the Housing Authority.

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Desdemona News

By Vonnie Guthery

Desdemona Monthly Musical was held on Saturday, September 24th at the Community Center. We appreciate all the musical groups and singers that attend each month. We appreciate all the ladies that donate food each month to the Concession Stand. It takes each and everyone doing their part to keep our Community going strong. Next Musical will be held on Saturday night, October 22nd. Make plans to attend. This is a "Smoke Free" environment and the admission is "FREE".

NOTICE - Correction on the time for the Community meeting at the Community Center (former School Building) on Thursday night, September 29th. The time is 5:00 p.m. To 6:00 p.m. Everyone is invited to attend this meeting to help save our postoffice.

"Happy Birthday" to our great grandson, Justin Hornbeck in Desdemona from Granny Coon and Granke Guthery. He attends kindergarten in De Leon Schools.

First Baptist Church of Desdemona continues to have good attendance each Sunday. There was 38 in attendance last Sunday with visitors from Dallas and Brownwood. Bro. Charlie Johnson, his wife, Jana and all the members invites Visitors to attend each Sunday at 10:00 a.m. for Sunday School and 11:00 a.m. for the Morning Worship Service. At the close of the service there was one that came forward as a candidate for Baptism.

Get Well Wishes to Billie Shipman as she is recovering from recent hip surgery.

Remember the sick and shut-ins of our Community with your cards and prayers. Just a note to say "HI" means so much to a shut-in.

A house is made of walls and beams -- A Home is built with love and dreams.

Have a good day, Vonnie

YOUR OPINION IS NEEDED

The Gorman Peanut Festival Board needs your opinion on what to do about changing the date of the Festival. As every one knows, the original date is the 2nd weekend in September. This date now coincides with the West Texas Fair and Rodeo and in some years extremely hot temperatures. The board had voted to move the date to the 3rd weekend in October, but that date is the same as the National Cook-off (we like all our cooks that come and want to schedule as best for them too). The Comanche Pow Wow is the 4th weekend in September then in October, there is Ripfest, Octoberfest and another large cookoff the 3rd weekend in October. The first weekend of November is out of the question because that is the Opening Day of regular Deer Season. So our thoughts are, pushing it to the 2nd weekend in November (cooler weather, nothing else going on). Fill out the survey below and bring it or mail it to the City Office (Po Box 236, Gorman TX 76454) before October 10, 2011.

Change the date of the Festival yes no
 Make the new Festival date the 2nd weekend in November yes no
 Leave the date as it is now yes no
 Suggestions for the new date _____

SENIORS

Solutions for Seniors Struggling in Today's Economy

NewsUSA

(NU) - Turmoil in the economy. Skyrocketing jobless numbers. Budget cuts putting families at risk. And senior services being cut. And cut. And cut.

Whether it is nutrition, housing, or medical needs, seniors and their caregivers are now looking for new ways to keep themselves clothed, fed and housed. In fact, President Obama's full-year Continuing Resolution for 2011 included a 45 percent national cut-back of Senior Community Service Employment Program funding from the fiscal year 2010 budget.

With federal funding at the top of the chopping block, many of our elderly don't have access to even one hot meal a day. Meals on Wheels, a non-profit agency, had to establish a waiting list at many of its sites across the U.S. this year.

While the world of senior nutrition programs faces trying fiscal times, there are services out there to help. Mom's Meals (www.MomsMeals.com), created by a family to care for their aging grandmothers, delivers fresh-prepared, nutritionally balanced meals right to the doors of those who need them most. At only \$5.99 per meal, far less than the cost of a restaurant meal, Mom's Meals are designed by a dietician and chef and contain the proper nourishment for seniors.

While transportation options are also being cut, a little digging will show that certain agencies are working for the benefit of seniors. At the 2005 White House Conference on Aging, transportation was identified as the third most important priority of seniors, right under



Helping seniors navigate their options is crucial in this economy. Here, Barb Anderson, the "mom" from Mom's Meals, serves her mother.

reauthorization of the Older Americans Act (No. 1) and matters pertaining to long-term care, according to the National Center on Senior Transportation. The NCST has made it their mission to increase transportation options for older adults and enhance their ability to live more independently within their communities throughout the U.S. More about the NCST can be found at www.seniortransportation.net.

With these federal cuts also comes added financial burden on seniors and their families. To help, AARP offers their Money Management Program, a daily service to help low-income older or disabled people who have difficulty budgeting, paying routine bills and keeping track of financial matters. More information about it can be found at www.aarpmp.org.

ITEMS OF INTEREST

- The Order of the Eastern Star holds its regular stated meetings on the First Monday of each month at 7:30 p.m.
- 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 734-5085.
- 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.
- 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



THE PANTHER BAND

The Band did an excellent job on Friday. Way to go Band. We are so proud of your hard work. Keep it up and remember to be - **Ready - Focused - Reloaded.**

Gorman City Minutes

SEPTEMBER 1, 2011

The Gorman City Commission met on the above date. Those present were Mayor Robert Ervin, Commissioners David Stanley, Kenneth Good, Joe Casey, and Durward Webb. Others present were Ken Harris, Barbara Fenley, and Glenn Scitem.

Joe led the opening prayer followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and the Texas Pledge. Mayor Ervin called the meeting to order @ 5:36 p.m.

Joe made the motion to approve the minutes with a motion correction Jill's pay increase. David made the motion and Joe made a second. David made a second, motion carried 4-0.

Mayor Ervin moved to item #8. The 2nd reading of Ordinance # 2011-02 was read at this time. Joe made the motion to pass, approve and adopt this ordinance granting Oncor the franchise agreement. David made a second. Motion carried 4-0.

David made the motion to approve the bills for payment with a second from Kenneth. Motion carried 4-0. Durward requested to be sure and put receipts with the credit card bills.

Reports were submitted by Police Dept., and Municipal Judge. Glenn was present to give a report. Durward and Joe had some questions for the police chief.

The 2nd reading of Ordinance #2011-03 Adopting Tax rate for 2011 property taxes. Durward made the motion to pass, approve and adopt said ordinance. Kenneth made a second to the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

At 6:15 p.m. Durward made the motion to go into Executive Session with a second from David. Motion carried 4-0.

At 6:35 p.m. David made the motion to adjourn from Executive Session and return to Regular Open Session. Durward made a second. Motion carried 4-0.

Tacy is to post agenda for a Called meeting to be held next Tuesday, and to have Glenn, Curtis, and Leland to attend.

There being no further business for consideration, Durward made the motion to adjourn, Joe made a second. Motion carried 3-0. Time was 6:55 p.m. (David had to leave as soon as adjournment from Executive Session.)

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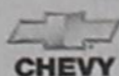
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