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High wildfire danger alert for all of Texas Texas Forest Service urges caution

COLLEGE STATION, Texas-- The Texas Forest Service (TFS) is urging citizens across the state to be aware of heightened wildfire danger due to a low pressure front that will drop humidity levels and produce high winds.

Tom Spencer, TFS predictive services department head, said these conditions could lead to wildfires that spread quickly, pose containment problems and endanger public safety.

Though the state saw some precipitation earlier this week, prolonged drought conditions have not improved. In fact, the freezing temperatures only caused drought-cured grasses to become even drier.

TFS Predictive Services Department forecasts that through the month of February, fuels, such as grasses and trees, are expected to remain critically dry.

Over the past seven days, TFS has responded to five wildfires for 371 acres. According to an online database managed by TFS, fire departments have reported 163 wildfires for 7,899 since last Friday.

For more information on fire advisories and area conditions, go to <http://texasforests.tamu.edu> and click on Fire Danger/Advisories.

Two Positions Open For Gorman ISD School Board Trustees

TWO positions will come open for the May 9, 2009 election for school board trustee to be elected at large. These positions will be for three-year terms and are currently held by Daryl Hirst and Mark Simmons. Applications for filing for a position on the ballot will begin on February 9, 2009. Deadline for filing will be March 9, 2009 at 5:00 p.m. Applications can be completed at the Administration office during school hours.

DOS posiciones serán abiertas para la elección el 9 de mayo de 2009 para el fideicomisario de la mesa escolar directiva para ser decidido en libertad. Estas posiciones serán para términos de tres años y son sostenidas actualmente por Daryl Hirst y Mark Simmons. Las solicitudes para archivar para una posición en la votación comenzarán el 9 de febrero de 2009. La fecha límite para la clasificación será el 9 de marzo del 2009 a las 5:00 de la tarde. Las solicitudes pueden ser completadas en la oficina de Administración durante horas escolares.

Couple Of Fires In Gorman



Gorman Powerlifters Compete At 6th Annual Perrin-Whitt Meet



POWERLIFTERS - Front Row (L to R) Nathan Gee and Kiefer Wilson; Middle Row (L to R) Lindsey Laminack, Rebecca Powell, Erica Limon, Tyler Johnson and Matt Cogburn; and Back Row (L to R) Sean Bates, Matt Keith, Jon Flores, and Matt Fox

The Gorman girls and boys powerlifting team competed last Saturday in the 6th annual Perrin-Whitt powerlifting meet. Both teams took 9th place overall from a field of sixteen.

In the girls division, Erica Limon took 4th place in her weight class with a total of 575lbs and Lindsey Laminack took 5th place in her weight class with a total of 575lbs.

In the boys division, Nathan Gee took 4th place in his weight class with a total of 580lbs and Tyler Johnson took 1st place in his weight class with a total of 1210lbs. Tyler set a new meet record for his weight class in the bench press, dead lift, and total weight.

Other members of the team who also competed in the meet are Rebecca Powell, Matt Fox, Matthew Cogburn, Kiefer Wilson, Matt Keith, Jon Flores, and Sean Bates. The team next meet will be this Saturday in Santo. The meet should start around 9:00am.

India Childrens Choir To Perform At Gorman United Methodist

The India Childrens Choir will be performing at Gorman United Methodist Church on February 19th at 6 p.m. The Choir is on a ten month tour of the United States. They come from the hills of Manipur on the India-Burma-China border. The twenty-two children range in age from 8 to 12 years old.

Victory Gospel Cruise

The Redeemed have been traveling and singing gospel music for 4 years now they have sang and ministered in Texas, Louisiana and Oklahoma and the Lord has opened the doors on a Victory Cruise. The Redeemed will be singing on Wednesday night on the ship. They will be going to Cozmel, Progreso, Yucatan Mexico so they can sing and minister to more of Gods People. They will return from the Islands just in time for the South Texas Gospel Music Convention in San Antonio, Texas where they are up for Group of the Year. Their lead singer Sherry Elmore is up for Female Vocalist of the year. The Oscars will be a honor for them. They just hope they can draw someone closer to God. If you would like the Redeemed to visit your church just call them at 325-518-8792 or send them an email theredeemed@rocketmail.com - To contact The Redeemed call 325 - 518 - 8792

Correction

In last week paper I (Lonnie) put the wrong info in about Matt Underwood. He receive 2008 Class 1A All-Big Country Football Team - "Unanimous Selection" as Running back, 5-11, 170, senior, 165-1330, 18 TDs and Defensive Back - Stats: 67 tackles, 17 solos, 4 INTs. Matt was also named to the All BigCountry "Super Team" Honorable Mention - Running Back and Defensive Back.

Beth Moore Series On "Esther" Starting February 17

Community Women's Fellowship would like to invite all women in the area to participate in a Bible study beginning on February 17. The group will meet Tuesday afternoons from 3:00-5:00 at Firstfruits Christian Fellowship.

Join Beth Moore in an in-depth and very personal examination of this great story that contains treasures to aid women in our hurried, harried, and pressured lives. This 10 week, interactive study will be led by Ruth Campbell and features personal, daily assignments and weekly group sessions with video.

If you need more information, a workbook ordered, or need childcare during the meeting time, contact Ellen Gressett (734-2805 or 5486), Angela Clark (893-5070), or Joy Campbell (734-2121) by February 12. We hope to see you there!

Life Skills Valentine Sales

Send a thoughtful gift this Valentine's Day! This year's new item is "Fortune Teller Game" we will still have the Heart Tattoos, Silicone Bracelets and UNTIL SUPPLY LAST OF "LOVE GORILLAS" Sales begin January 26; don't delay, place your order today!

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| Friendship Bag: \$1.00 | Sweetheart Bag: \$3.00 | Love Bag: \$4.00 |
| (1) Message of your choice | (1) Message of your choice | (1) Message of your choice |
| (1) Pencil | (1) Fortune Teller Game | (1) Love Gorilla |
| (1) Sucker | (1) Bracelet | (1) Bracelet |
| (1) Tattoo | (1) Tattoo | (1) Tattoo |
| (2) Chocolates | (1) Pencil | (2) Pencils |
| | (1) Sucker | (4) Chocolates |
| | (3) Chocolates | |

Contact Ms. Smith or Mrs. Gonzalez to place and order at 734-2616 Thank You for your support!

Life Skills Fundraiser for there Special Olympic

SCHOOL MENU Week of Feb. 9 thru Feb. 13

- LUNCH**
- MONDAY - Chicken Strips, Steak Fingers, Cream Potatoes, Green Beans, Biscuit, Gravy, Fruited Jello and Milk.
- TUESDAY - Barbeque Chicken, Corn Dog, Pinto beans, Mac and Cheese, Cornbread, Oranges, Chocolate Cake and Milk - BIRTHDAY TABLE.
- WEDNESDAY - Burrito, Soft Taco, refried beans, Spanish Rice, Tossed Salad, Crackers, Sherbet and Milk.
- THURSDAY - Homemade Pizza, Ravioli, Cheese Sticks, Tossed Salad, Crackers, Chocolate Chip Cookie and Milk.
- FRIDAY - Cheeseburger, Sloppy Joe, Lettuce, Tomato, Pickle Salad, Potato Rounds, Ice Cream and Milk.

Gorman PEE WEE Basketball Schedule

The Jr. Class will be having a PeeWee Tournament on Feb.16th thru Feb.21st. The Sr. Travel Club will be having a Pee-Wee Basketball Tournament March 10th thru March 13th. This is the league play for PeeWee Basketball:

Feb. 7th @ Gorman

- 9:00a-Gorman 4th Boys Vs Bearcats
- 9:45a-Redhots Vs Gorman 3rd & 4th Girls
- 10:30a-Buffs 3rd Vs Panthers 3rd Boys
- 11:15a-Sizzlers Vs Lady Buffs 4th Girls
- 12-Buffs 4th Vs Gorman 4th Boys
- 12:45p-Lady Buffs 3rd Vs Gorman 3rd & 4th Girls
- 1:30p-RS Boys Vs GATA
- 2:15p-Blaze Vs Lady Buffs Team 1
- 3:00p-Cats Vs Buffs 6th Boys
- 3:45p-Ranger Vs Lady Panthers 5th Girls
- 4:30p-Raiders Vs Buffs 5th Boys
- 5:15p-Lady Lakers Vs Roadrunners
- 6:00p-Lady Buffs 5th Team 2 Vs Bullets
- 6:45p-Lady Buffs 6th Vs Roadrunners

Feb. 14 @ DeLeon

- 9:00a-Bullets Vs Blaze
- 9:45a-Raiders Vs RS Boys
- 10:30a-Roadrunners Vs Lady Buffs 6th
- 11:15a-GATA Vs Buffs 5th
- 12-Lady Panthers Vs Lady Buffs Team 2
- 12:45p-Cats Vs Buffs 6th
- 1:30p-Lady Buffs Team 1 Vs Lady Lakers
- 2:15p-Sizzlers Vs RedHots
- 3:00p-Panthers 3rd Vs Bearcats
- 3:45p-Gorman3rd&4th Girls Vs Lady Buffs 4th
- 4:30p-Gorman 4th Vs Buffs 3rd Boys
- 5:15p-Lady Buffs 3rd Vs Sizzlers
- 6:00p-Bearcats Vs Buffs 4th

ITEMS OF INTEREST

SANDRA CAGLE WILL BE IN GORMAN AT THE CITY OFFICE TO RENEW AUTO LICENSE PLATES. HER NEXT VISIT IS WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 18th FROM 9 TIL NOON.

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

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

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

Boy Scouts

Meeting Weekly
Mondays - 6:00 p.m.
Methodist Church

Oakland Cemetery Association is accepting donations for the Care of the Cemetery. Donations can be sent to Oakland Cemetery Association, P. O. Box 532, Gorman, Tx 76454 or to American State Bank, Gorman, Texas 76454

4-H - Meets Second Monday of Each Month at 6:00 p.m. at the First United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall - Amy Wood - 734-2973.

VET Science 4-H Project - 4th Tuesday each Month. Technology Center / Gorman Community Center. Contact Lee or Amy Wood at 254-734-2973.

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

Breeding Swine

Place, Exhibitor, Club
Class 1: Light Weight Berk Gilts 150-200 lbs.
1. Marc Gillen -- Gorman FFA
Class 4: Champion Gilt
Marc Gillen -- Gorman FFA
Class 9: Middle Weight Duroc Gilts -- lbs
1. Gage Crowder -- Eastland FFA; 2. Dillon Broyles -- Carbon 4H
Class 12: Champion Duroc
Gage Crowder -- Eastland FFA
Reserve Champion
Dillon Broyles -- Carbon 4H
Class 14: Middle Weight Hamp Gilts -- lbs
1. Gage Fullen -- Eastland Jr FFA; 2. Hailee Stacy -- Carbon 4H; 3. Brett Rice -- Carbon 4H
Class 17: Poland Gilts
1. Reese Scitem -- Gorman FFA
Class 18: Champion Poland Gilt
Reese Scitem -- Gorman FFA
Class 23: Heavy Weight Spot Gilts 261 + lbs
1. Reese Scitem -- Gorman FFA; 2. Reese Scitem -- Gorman FFA
Class 25: Champion Spot Gilt
Reese Scitem -- Gorman FFA
Reserve Champion Spot Gilt
Reese Scitem -- Gorman FFA
Class 26: White OPB Gilts 150 -- 200 lbs
1. Trinity Fenley -- Gorman FFA; 2. Gage Crowder -- Eastland FFA
Class 29: Champion White OPB Gilt
Trinity Fenley -- Gorman FFA
Reserve Champion White OPB Gilt
Class 31: Middle Weight York Gilts -- lbs
1. Katyon Pence -- Cisco FFA; 2. Zoey Tucker -- Carbon 4-H; 3. Keaton Moore -- Gorman FFA
Class 32: Heavy Weight York Gilts 261 + lbs
1. Abby Ann Geye -- Rising Star 4-H
Class 33: Champion York Gilt
Katyon Pence -- Cisco FFA
Reserve Champion York Gilt
Zoey Tucker -- Carbon 4-H
Class 34: Light Weight Cross Gilts 150 -- 200 lbs
1. Gavin Pulis -- Eastland FFA
Class 35: Medium Weight Cross Gilts -- lbs
1. Zoey Tucker -- Carbon 4-H
Class 38: Champion Cross Gilt
Zoey Tucker -- Carbon 4-H
Reserve Champion Cross Gilt
Gavin Pulis -- Eastland FFA
Class 39: Grand Champion Gilt
Katyon Pence -- Cisco FFA
Reserve Grand Champion Gilt - Trinity Fenley -- Gorman FFA
Junior Showmanship: Madison Warren -- Gorman FFA
Senior Showmanship: Marc Gillen -- Gorman FFA

Market Hogs

Place, Exhibitor -- Club: Tag, Weight
Class 1 A: Light Weight Berk
1. Kourtney Seaton -- Gorman FFA; 2. Stetson Thompson -- Gorman FFA
Class 1B: Heavy Weight Berk
1. Rowdy Bond -- Ranger 4-H; 2. Madison Warren -- Gorman FFA
Champion Berk
Kourtney Seaton -- Gorman FFA
Reserve Champion Berk
Rowdy Bond -- Ranger 4-H
Class 2A: Light Durocs
1. Grandle Thompson -- Eastland FFA; 2. Brian Broyles -- Eastland FFA; 3. Shawn Rainey -- Gorman FFA
Class 2B: Light Heavy Durocs
1. Joe Bacon -- Cisco FFA; 2. Marc Gillen -- Gorman FFA; 3. Shelby Nicholson -- Eastland FFA
Class 2C: Medium Weight Durocs
1. Mason Harris -- Cisco FFA; 2. Kendall Lindsay -- Cisco FFA; 3. Kodie Sparger -- Gorman FFA
Class 2D: Heavy Weight Durocs
1. Katie Young -- Eastland 4-H; 2. Colby LaRue -- Ranger 4-H; 3. Adrian Greenfield -- Rising Star FFA
Champion Duroc
Katie Young -- Eastland 4-H
Reserve Champion Duroc
RDuroc, Colby LaRue -- Ranger 4-H
Class 3A: Light Weight Hamp
1. Sierra Spruill -- Eastland FFA; 2. Ben Burgess -- Gorman FFA; 3. Amber King-West -- Cisco FFA
Class 3B: Light Medium Weight Hamp
1. Heath Draper -- Ranger FFA; 2. Chelsi Arnold -- Ranger FFA; 3. Geani McGinn -- Rising Star FFA
Class 3C: Medium Weight Hamp
1. Ashley Mitchell -- Eastland FFA; 2. Shelby Nicholson -- Eastland FFA; 3. Stetson Thompson -- Gorman FFA
Class 3D: Heavy Weight Hamp
1. Zoey Tucker -- Carbon 4-H; 2. Emory Geye -- Rising Star FFA; 3. Kendall Harley -- Cisco FFA
Champion Hamp
Heath Draper -- Ranger FFA
Reserve Champion Hamp
Ashley Mitchell -- Eastland FFA
Class 4A: Light Weight Poland
1. Courtney Seaton -- Gorman FFA; 2. Ariel Rabb -- Cisco FFA
Class 4B: Heavy Weight Poland
1. Courtney Carlton -- Carbon 4-H; 2. Dalas Vaughn -- Cisco FFA; 3. Bryce Gosnell -- Eastland FFA
Champion Poland
Courtney Carlton -- Carbon 4-H
Reserve Poland
Dalas Vaughn -- Cisco FFA
Class 5A: Light Weight Spots
1. Justin Little -- Gorman FFA; 2. Madison Warren -- Gorman FFA; 3. McKenzie Osborn -- Gorman FFA
Class 5C: Heavy Weight Spots
1. Lesli Blackburn -- Ranger 4-H; 2. Courtney Carlton -- Carbon 4-H; 3. Heath Draper -- Ranger FFA
Champion Spot
Lesli Blackburn -- Ranger 4-H
Reserve Champion Spot
Courtney Carlton -- Carbon 4-H
Class 6A: Light Weight White OPB
1. Ariel Rabb -- Cisco FFA; 2. Za Spruill -- Eastland FFA; 3. Sam Pulis -- Eastland FFA; 1. Nikki Leath -- Ranger 4H; 2. Katie Young -- Eastland 4H; 3. Amanda French-West -- Cisco FFA
Champion White OPB
Nikki Leath -- Ranger 4-H
Reserve Champion White OPB
Katie Young -- Eastland 4-H
Class 7A: Light York
1. Jamie Young -- Eastland 4-H; 2. Ashley Scott -- Cisco FFA; 3. Kenneth Simmons -- Rising Star FFA
Class 7B: Heavy Weight York
1. Nathan Gee -- Gorman FFA; 2. Rowdy Bond -- Ranger 4-H; 3. Jacob Bridges -- Cisco FFA
Champion York
York, Nathan Gee -- Gorman FFA
Reserve Champion York
Rowdy Bond -- Ranger 4-H
Class 8A: Light Cross
1. Cameron Burleson -- Cisco FFA; 2. Sam Pulis -- Eastland FFA; 3. Halee Richardson -- Red Gap 4H
Class 8B: Light Medium Cross
1. Shelby Nicholson -- Eastland FFA; 2. Nathan Rice -- Carbon 4-H; 3. Nathan Gee -- Gorman FFA
Class 8C: Medium Cross
1. Justin Little -- Gorman FFA; 2. Nathan Gee -- Gorman FFA; 3. Bryce Gosnell -- Eastland FFA
Class 8D: Heavy Medium Cross
1. Lesli Blackburn -- Ranger 4H; 2. Jamie Young -- Carbon 4H; 3. Sam Pulis -- Eastland FFA
Class 8E: Light Heavy Cross
1. Jamie Young -- Carbon 4H; 2. Lauren Adams -- Olden 4-H; 3. Tyler Adams -- Olden 4-H
Class 8F: Medium Heavy Cross
1. Blatney Spruill -- Eastland FFA; 2. Ryan Draper -- Ranger FFA; 3. Zoey Tucker -- Carbon 4-H
Class 8G: Heavy Cross
1. Emory Geye -- Rising Star FFA; 2. Garrett Arnold -- Ranger FFA; 3. Phillip Gosnell -- Eastland FFA
Champion Cross
Emory Geye -- Rising Star FFA
Reserve Champion Cross -- Jamie Young -- Carbon 4-H
Class 9: Grand Champion Market Hog - Nathan Gee -- Gorman FFA
Reserve Grand Champion Market Hog - Heath Draper -- Ranger FFA
Junior Showmanship: Courtney Carlson -- Carbon 4H
Senior Showmanship: Ben Burgess -- Gorman FFA

Market Angora Goats

Class 1 -- 1. Aubrey Lawrence, Rising Star FFA; 2. Kendle Coan, Gorman FFA; 3. Matthew Lawrence, Rising Star FFA
Grand Champion Market Angora Goat -- Aubrey Lawrence, Rising Star FFA
Reserve Grand Champion Market Angora Goat -- Kendle Coan, Gorman FFA
Junior Showmanship -- Matthew Lawrence, Rising Star FFA
Senior Showmanship -- Lindsey Kendall, Cisco FFA
Division 1, Class 1 -- 1. Lauren Spivey, Gorman FFA; 2. Ty Montgomery, Carbon 4-H; 3. Bethany Oliver, Gorman FFA
Division 1, Class 2 -- 1. Ben Burgess, Gorman FFA; 2. Tori Stuart, Cisco FFA; 3. Bailey Underwood, Carbon 4-H
Division 1, Class 3 -- 1. Colt Sanchez, Cisco FFA; 2. Ashley Mitchell, Eastland FFA; 3. Rylee Breneman, Eastland FFA
Champion Division 1 -- Colt Sanchez, Cisco FFA
Reserve Champion Division 1 -- Ben Burgess, Gorman FFA
Division 2, Class 1 -- 1. Bethany Oliver, Gorman FFA; 2. Meghan Moore, Carbon 4-H; 3. Kendle Coan, Gorman FFA
Division 2, Class 2 -- 1. Ben Burgess, Gorman FFA; 2. Colt Sanchez, Cisco FFA; 3. Ashley Scott, Cisco FFA
Division 2, Class 3 -- 1. Madison Warren, Gorman FFA; 2. Peyton Bird, Carbon 4-H; 3. Hailey Richardson, Cisco FFA
Champion Division 2 -- Madison Warren, Gorman FFA
Reserve Champion Division 2 -- Peyton Bird, Carbon 4-H
Division 3, Class 1 -- 1. Madison Warren, Gorman FFA; 2. Ashley Mitchell, Eastland FFA; 3. Garrett Arnold, Ranger FFA
Division 3, Class 2 -- 1. Chelsi Arnold, Ranger FFA; 2. Garrett Arnold, Ranger FFA; 3. Clay Carper, Carbon 4-H
Division 3, Class 3 -- 1. Erica Walker, Eastland FFA; 2. Chelsi Arnold, Ranger FFA; 3. Carl Pendergrast, Rising Star 4-H
Champion Division 3 -- Erica Walker, Eastland FFA
Reserve Champion Division 3 -- Chelsi Arnold, Ranger FFA
Grand Champion Market Goat -- Erica Walker, Eastland FFA
Reserve Grand Champion Market Goat -- Madison Warren, Gorman FFA
Junior Showmanship -- Madison Warren, Gorman FFA
Senior Showmanship -- Chelsi Arnold, Ranger FFA

Market Lambs

Class 1A, Fine Wool -- 1. Colt Sanchez, Cisco FFA; 2. Hailey Richardson, Cisco FFA; 3. Zoey Tucker, Carbon 4-H
Class 1B, Fine Wool -- 1. Ashley Mitchell, Eastland FFA; 2. Madison Warren, Gorman FFA
Champion Fine Wool -- Colt Sanchez, Cisco FFA
Reserve Champion Fine Wool -- Ashley Mitchell, Eastland FFA
Class 2A, Fine Wool Cross -- 1. Caylon McCreless, Gorman FFA; 2. Sara Woodall, Gorman FFA; 3. Kobe Conring, Cisco FFA
Class 2B, Fine Wool Cross -- 1. Erica Walker, Eastland FFA; 2. Drew McCreless, Gorman FFA
Champion Fine Wool Cross -- Erica Walker, Eastland FFA
Reserve Champion Fine Wool Cross -- Caylon McCreless, Gorman FFA
Class 3A, Southdown -- 1. Natalie Richardson, Cisco FFA; 2. Madison Warren, Gorman FFA; 3. Brittney Stuart, Cisco FFA
Class 3B, Southdown -- 1. Ashley Mitchell, Eastland; 2. Tonya Thompson, Cisco FFA
Champion Southdown -- Natalie Richardson, Cisco FFA
Reserve Champion Southdown -- Ashley Mitchell, Eastland FFA
Class 4A, Medium Wool -- 1. Sean Bates, Gorman FFA; 2. Jo Anna McCreless, Gorman FFA; 3. Amanda West, Cisco FFA
Class 4B, Medium Wool -- 1. Erica Walker, Eastland FFA; 2. Madison Warren, Gorman FFA; 3. Colt Sanchez, Cisco FFA
Class 4C, Medium Wool -- 1. Colt Sanchez, Cisco FFA; 2. Ashley Mitchell, Eastland FFA; 3. Drew McCreless, Gorman FFA
Champion Medium Wool -- Erica Walker, Eastland FFA
Reserve Champion Medium Wool -- Colt Sanchez, Cisco FFA
Grand Champion Market Lamb -- Erica Walker, Eastland FFA
Reserve Grand Champion Market Lamb -- Erica Walker, Eastland FFA
Junior Showmanship -- Madison Warren, Eastland FFA
Senior Showmanship -- Colt Sanchez, Cisco FFA

Market Rabbits

Class 1 -- 1. Lea Thompson, Eastland FFA; 2. Bailey Underwood, Gorman FFA; 3. Sierra Spruill, Eastland FFA
Class 2 -- 1. Lea Thompson, Eastland FFA; 2. Kailee Nall, Rising Star 4-H; 3. Kinsey Nall, Rising Star 4-H
Class 3 -- 1. Kimi Seaton, Gorman FFA; 2. Zoey Tucker, Carbon 4-H; 3. Ashley Mitchell, Eastland FFA
Champion Market Rabbit -- Kimi Seaton, Gorman FFA
Reserve Champion Market Rabbit -- Lea Thompson, Eastland FFA
Junior Showmanship -- Zoey Tucker, Carbon 4-H
Senior Showmanship -- Kimi Seaton, Gorman FFA

Market Steers

Light Weight British -- 1. Ashley Simpson, Eastland FFA
Champion British -- Ashley Simpson, Eastland FFA
Light Weight American Cross -- 1. Jacob Henson, Carbon 4-H; 2. Heather Henson, Carbon 4-H
Champion American Cross -- Jacob Henson, Carbon 4-H
Reserve Champion American Cross -- Heather Henson, Carbon 4-H
Heavy Weight Exotics -- 1. Courtney Simpson, Eastland FFA; 2. Jacob Simpson, Eastland FFA
Champion Exotics -- Courtney Simpson, Eastland FFA
Reserve Champion Exotics -- Jacob Simpson, Eastland FFA
Grand Champion Market Steer -- Courtney Simpson, Eastland FFA
Reserve Grand Champion Market Steer -- Jacob Simpson, Eastland FFA
Junior Showmanship -- Heather Henson, Carbon 4-H
Senior Showmanship -- Jacob Henson, Carbon 4-H

Market Hogs

Light Weight Berk -- 1. Nikki Leath, Ranger 4-H; 2. Jamie Young, Ranger 4-H
Heavy Weight Berk -- 1. Pecos Vaughn, Cisco FFA; 2. Ty Gosnell, Eastland FFA; 3. Bryce Gosnell, Eastland FFA
Champion Berk -- Nikki Leath, Ranger 4-H
Reserve Champion Berk -- Pecos Vaughn, Cisco FFA
Light Durocs -- 1. Amanda West, Cisco FFA; 2. Tessa Chancellor, Ranger FFA; 3. Coby Spivey, Gorman FFA
Medium Weight Durocs -- 1. Ryan Draper, Ranger FFA; 2. Colby LaRue, Ranger 4-H; 3. Grandle Thompson Spruill, Cisco FFA
Champion Duroc -- Ryan Draper, Ranger FFA
Reserve Champion Duroc -- Colby LaRue, Ranger 4-H
Light Weight Hamp -- 1. Geani McGinn, Rising Star FFA; 2. Katie Young, Ranger 4-H; 3. Natalie Richardson, Cisco FFA
Medium Weight Hamp -- 1. Nathan Gee, Gorman FFA; 2. Michael Wright, Rising Star 4-H; 3. Dalton Self, Rising Star 4-H
Heavy Weight Hamp -- 1. Hope Spruill, Eastland FFA; 2. Emory Geye, Rising Star 4-H; 3. Chelsi Arnold, Ranger FFA
Champion Hamp -- Hope Spruill, Eastland FFA
Reserve Champion Hamp -- Emory Geye, Rising Star 4-H
Light Weight Poland -- 1. Dalas Vaughn, Cisco FFA; 2. Courtney Carlton, Carbon 4-H; 3. Stetson Thompson, Gorman FFA
Champion Poland -- Dalas Vaughn, Cisco FFA
Reserve Champion Poland -- Courtney Carlton, Carbon 4-H
Light Weight Spots -- 1. Cole Underwood, Gorman FFA; 2. Cole Underwood, Gorman FFA; 3. Tailor Herrington, Eastland FFA
Middle Weight Spots -- 1. Adrian Greenfield, Rising Star FFA; 2. Seth Byers, Eastland FFA; 3. Clayton Keifer, Cisco FFA
Heavy Weight Spots -- 1. Joe Bacon, Cisco FFA; 2. Ryan Draper, Ranger FFA; 3. Ben Burgess, Gorman FFA
Champion Spot -- 1. Adrian Greenfield, Rising Star FFA
Reserve Champion Spot -- Seth Byers, Eastland FFA
Light Weight White OPB -- 1. Ashley Mitchell, Eastland FFA; 2. Katie Young, Ranger 4-H
Heavy Weight White OPB -- 1. Shelby Nicholson, Eastland FFA; 2. Payton Keifer, Cisco FFA; 3. Heath Draper, Ranger FFA
Champion White OPB -- Ashley Mitchell, Eastland FFA
Reserve Champion White OPB -- Katie Young, Ranger 4-H
Light Weight York -- 1. Hailey Richardson, Cisco FFA; 2. Brittney Steward, Cisco FFA
Medium Weight York -- 1. Rowdy Bond, Ranger 4-H; 2. Deric Stacy, Carbon 4-H; 3. Brodee Shelnut, Rising Star FFA
Heavy Weight York -- 1. Kenneth Simmons, Rising Star FFA; 2. Kutter Shelnut, Rising Star FFA; 3. Joshua Moylan, Eastland FFA
Champion York -- Rowdy Bond, Ranger 4-H
Reserve Champion York -- Deric Stacy, Carbon 4-H
Light Weight Cross -- 1. Nikita Brady, Cisco FFA; 2. Bryce Gosnell, Eastland FFA; 3. Michelle Cooper, Cisco FFA
Medium Weight Cross -- 1. Zoey Tucker, Carbon 4-H; 2. Geani McGinn, Rising Star FFA; 3. Chisholm Spruill, Eastland FFA
Heavy Medium Weight Cross -- 1. Shelby Nicholson, Eastland FFA; 2. Phillip Gosnell, Eastland FFA; 3. Emory Geye, Rising Star FFA
Heavy Weight Cross -- 1. Heath Draper, Ranger FFA; 2. Crystal Westover, Ranger 4-H; 3. Rowdy Bond, Ranger 4-H
Champion Cross -- Heath Draper, Ranger FFA
Reserve Champion Cross -- Crystal Westover, Ranger 4-H
Grand Champion Market Hog -- Heath Draper, Ranger FFA
Reserve Grand Champion Market Hog -- Rowdy Bond, Ranger 4-H
Junior Showmanship -- Ty Gosnell, Eastland FFA
Senior Showmanship -- Geani McGinn, Rising Star FFA

Hotfooters To Offer Clogging Classes

The Breckenridge Hotfooter Cloggers will offer clogging classes for beginner, intermediate and advanced students at 6:30 p.m. every Tuesday in Breckenridge.

The dance club meets at 5 p.m. every Tuesday at 109 N. Baylor St. The group of cloggers performs regularly in Breckenridge and area towns.

For more information, call Shirley Anderson at (254) 559-2567 or (254-246-1972) (cell).

Card of Thanks

The Family of Alice Louise (Lou) Ervin would like to thank everyone, friends, family, and Gorman First Baptist Church for all the prayers, telephone calls, cards and food during out time of sorrow.

Special Thanks to Bro. Barry Schahn for the message you gave at the service. Thank you to all the ladies and the kindness they showed us at the lunch they served and prepared for our family.

Thank you to Shanda Morrison of Panda's Flowers and Gifts for all the beautiful flowers and plants, and thank you to anyone else we may have missed.

Robert and Kathy Ervin
Rickey Ervin and Family
Stella (Ervin) Wilson and Family of Abilene
Sisters, Ruby McMillian of Eastland
Lorena Armstrong of Abilene
Leona Bolleter of Ranger
Leoma McDowell of Abilene
Georgie L. Ervin of Gorman

Pig Tales From Hogtown

I hope to see you all Saturday for 'Breakfast at the DAC'. Time sure does go fast doesn't it! Come and join us for eggs, bacon, sausage, pancakes, biscuits and gravy. It's a great way to start your weekend!

On February 12, we will hold the annual General Meeting of the Desdemona Activity Center. We invite all who support the DAC to attend this meeting on February 12th at 7:30 P.M. We will be electing 2 new members to the Board of Directors at this time. Helen and Leo will be vacating their seats as they have served their terms. Please consider allowing your name to be placed on the ballot. In order to vote, you must be a member and memberships cost \$25 per year. The membership allows you to vote, serve on the Board of Directors and get a discount if you rent the building. We welcome newcomers and new ideas!

Carolyn Maupin from Stephenville will be teaching our AARP Defensive Driving course here at the DAC on April 2nd. The class is open to anyone 50 years of age or older and lasts 4 hours. We will begin at noon on the 2nd of April. There is a charge for the class - \$12.00 if you are a member of AARP and \$14 if you are not.

Please remember the family of Elwood Ragland in your prayers. Elwood passed away on Sunday.

Our Craft Show will be held April 17th and 18th this year. Letters have just been sent inviting vendors to attend our show. If you or anyone you know would like more information about renting a booth, please call me at 254-758-2420. This is our third annual show and we have had more vendors each year.

See you in Desdemona!
Carol Pell

Obituaries Bill Adcock

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Graveside services for Bill Adcock age 83 of Forestburg will be Monday, February 9th at 11 a.m. At the Rosston Cemetery under the direction of the Geo. J. Carroll and Son Funeral Home. Mr. Adcock passed away on Monday, February 2, 2009 in Muenster, Tx.

Mr. Adcock was born on April 16, 1925 in Gorman, Tx to Nathanel "Nat" and Iona "Pearl" Huckabee Adcock. Mr. Adcock attended school in Gorman and served in the United States Navy during W.W. II as a gunnersmate 2nd Class. He then worked for the Phillips Oil Company in Borger for 35 years. Bill enjoyed reading Western Books.

Mr. Adcock is survived by a son, Danny Masten, a grandson John Masten and a great-grandson Cooper Masten. Also 6 nieces and 3 nephews. He preceded in death by his wife Eva Marie Adcock and 2 brothers and 3 sisters.

Family visitation is set for Saturday, February 8th from 3 to 4 p.m. At the Geo. J. Carroll and Son Funeral Home in Gainesville, Tx. Memorial contributions made be made to the Rosston Cemetery Association. You may sign the on-line registry at geojcarroll.com

Wayne Otwell

Wayne Otwell, age 86 of De Leon passed away on Monday, February 3, 2009 at Comanche County Medical Center. Services are set for Thursday, February 5th at 11 a.m. At De Leon First United Methodist Church with Pastor Lisa Neslony officiating. Cremated remains will be interred on family farm at a later date.

Wayne was born September 27, 1922 in Comanche County to the late Rufus and Lillian Nabors Otwell.

He was a World War II Navy Veteran, a member of De Leon First United Methodist Church. He was a dairyman, farmer and rancher.

Survivors include one son Dennis Otwell and wife Peggy of De Leon; one granddaughter, Kathryn Otwell of Fort Worth; one sister, Marinell Skaggs of De Leon; and former wife Marcene Otwell of De Leon.

Preceded by three brothers, Nathan, Edward and Coy Otwell; two sisters, Nelda and Melba Otwell.

Perry Designates Emergency Items

AUSTIN -- Gov. Rick Perry today declared emergency items for the 2009 legislative session. The emergency designation will allow lawmakers to begin considering these issues in the initial 30 days of the legislative session.

The emergency items include:

- Legislation to provide supplemental appropriations to state agencies and institutions related to hurricane response and recovery associated with the hurricanes of 2008;
Legislation to assist public and private entities with recovery from the hurricanes of 2008;
Legislation to reform the Texas Windstorm Insurance Association (TWIA) and legislation to fund the Catastrophe Reserve Trust Fund related to TWIA;
Legislation to improve state schools and centers operated by the state of Texas; and
Legislation to appropriate funds to the Texas Department of Criminal Justice for the purchase and use of screening and detection devices for contraband and personnel, as well as comprehensive security equipment.

"By designating these items emergencies, lawmakers are able to begin considering these important issues relating to the safety, security, recovery of our state," Gov. Perry said.

Senior Citizens News

By Carol Ward

Our weekly luncheon was not held last week due to the ice storm. Will have article next week. Hope all is well and see you next time, Carol.

Happenings At FBC!!

Answer! When a question is asked or a result is wanted we as human beings expect an answer. When God calls upon you to do His work, what is your answer?

Mark your calendars:

Feb. 12th – 6:00pm – Deacon's Valentine Banquet.

Answered Prayers – Martha Rainey is home from Costa Rica, please continue to pray for her continued response to the treatment.

Children's Sermon: Liz blew a whistle, and explained how whistles will be blown during the Super Bowl. Liz told of a football team in Australia named the Sydney Swans. The Sydney Swans lost every game and had only a very few fans that supported them; until they got a new coach and new players then their team turned into winners. When they started winning every game the fans filled the stands. One fan held up a sign that said, "I was here when nobody else was!" Jesus is our fan that never leaves us, and the Bible says Jesus is with us until the end of the age.

Bro. Barry's message was "The Return Signs!" – Matthew 24:6

The Bible's message about Jesus is supported by the writings of Kings. Back in the day the Kings wrote about Jesus' existence: His birth, His death, His resurrection, and His ascension. The ascension of Christ was visible. Universities are offering classes to study the last days and final events in the history of the world called Eschatology.

Signs of the Times:

I. Restoration of Jewish Nation. – In 1948 Israel became a legitimate nation. The Jews did not receive Jesus, and are still looking for His first coming.

II. Nation will rise against Nation, Kingdom against Kingdom. – The war of Nations is ethnic and the war Kingdoms is borders.

III. Famines. – Half of the world is overweight and the other half is starving.

IV. Pestilences. – More bacteria and super bugs known to man than ever before.

V. Perverted Sexual Relationships. – Homosexuality is exposed more now than in our history.

VI. People will become SINFUL, and delight in it!

VII. Violence and Corruption. – EVERYWHERE, can't turn on the news without seeing it.

VIII. Gospel will be preached in the whole world. – Communication is at its height.

IX. Brother betrays Brother. – Unemployment leading to murder suicides.

X. Heaven and Earth will be contaminated. – Pollution.

Do NOT be troubled or alarmed – these things must come to pass before the end time!

Bro. Barry will continue the discussion of the "Signs of the Times" on Feb. 8th.

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

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

Super Notes

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

I spent a few days in Austin last week at the Texas Association of School Administrators Mid-Winter Conference. I always hate being out of the district, but it was a good conference and well worth the time spent, especially during a legislative year. We had several legislators address us as a group and thankfully our legislators are talking favorably about making some positive changes not only to the way schools are funded, but the State Board of Education is also talking about implementing three different graduation plans that include a vocational track so that students have more flexibility in planning their future. It will be interesting to look back in June and see exactly what gets done. I'll do my best to keep you informed about school related issues and anything else that comes up that looks like it will affect our community and those that surround us.

I hope you took my advice last week and developed some plan with your kids about what to do in an emergency. The cold snap we had could have been much worse and caused a lot of dangerous situations for our kids. Just look at what is happening in Kentucky right now. Thinking ahead and planning for problems before they occur is our best plan of action. Be proactive when it comes to your child's safety!

We had a tough night against some very good DeLeon teams last week but looked much better against May on Friday night. The games were hard fought and our kids gave all they had. Our shots were just not falling that night. I appreciate the crowd that was there to support our kids. Sometimes in the heat of the contest we forget that they are kids and expect them to perform like professionals, but they are just kids, although I think they are great kids! You may not realize it, but baseball and softball will begin pretty soon as well as golf and tennis and then there are the stock shows. We will not be bored! There will be a choice to be made in some cases regarding what you want to see the most.

The new gym and high school is looking better every time I walk through which is almost on a daily basis. I consider my oversight of the job as one of my greatest responsibilities as well as one of my greatest pleasures. I give free tours if you would ever like to take a walk through and see what we are doing. Right now we are doing a lot of finish concrete work: steps, walks, etc.. Soon you will see doors and windows going in and painters.

Don't forget our scoreboard fund raiser. If you missed the details, call or email me and I will get them to you. We are going to be the best gymnasium in the area and will seat 648 regular patrons and have ten handicap spots. I believe we will become a regular location for annual tournaments as well as playoff games for both basketball and volleyball.

The India Children's Choir will perform at Maxfield Elementary on Thursday, February 19th at 2:00 in the auditorium. Visitors are welcome. It is suggested that perhaps each child could bring \$.50 or a \$1.00 to contribute to the ministry of "Bibles For the World". This will be a very rewarding experience for our children to see and hear these children from a completely different culture.

The Valentine's Day Fundraiser is ongoing until Friday, February 13th. It is appreciated and recommended that you get your order in as early as possible. Thanks in advance to all that participate.

The Jump Rope for Heart fund raiser that Elementary students participated in earned \$1,280. Thank you goes out to all that helped make this a successful occasion. Hopefully the children had fun and learned more about prevention of heart disease. Most important, maybe a life or two will get saved because of our effort!

Remember, it takes community involvement for a school to be successful and you are welcome to get involved at Gorman ISD anytime. This is your school; these are your children; and these children are your future! Your input is always welcome. Come help us shape the future. Thank you for all you do to support us!

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Desdemona News

By Vonnie Guthery

"Ladies Monthly Social" will be held on Monday, February 9th at the Community Center (old school building). Make plans to attend to enjoy food and fellowship with all the group. Plan to arrive at 9:00 a.m. Visitors are welcome.

Katie Duke spent the past weekend visiting with her Dad, Russell Duke in Albuquerque, New Mexico.

"Hogtown" had lots of ice last Wednesday morning with very low temperature. Schools was closed and many were unable to go to work.

Pug Guthery spent Monday thru Friday in the Comanche County Medical Center following gall bladder surgery. He returned home on Friday and is recovering very well.

Clyde (Wilhite) Paul, 99, of Desdemona passed away and burial was on January 31, 2009 in the Desdemona Cemetery. Survivors include a daughter, Jo Ann Good of Carbondale, Kansas. Clyde attended school in Desdemona and graduated with Class 1928. Preceded in death by her husband, Kenneth Paul, her parents, Tandy and Ida Whilhite. Friends of Desdemona sends sincere sympathy to this family.

Remember the sick and shut-ins of our Community with your cards and prayers. A note of cheer means so much to a shut-in.

Virginia Griffith moved to Desdemona over the weekend. She purchased the Thiebaud home (located next to the First Baptist Annex). Her husband, Hershel Griffith passed away on January 1, 2009. Please help to "Welcome" this lady to our Community.

Please contact this reporter with your weekly news. Your help will be appreciated. Thanks and have a great day, Vonnie.

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