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Blood Donors Will Receive Patriotic T-Shirts For Helping Supply Blood for 4th of July Weekend

Right at this moment, physicians are ordering blood for patients who need lifesaving blood transfusions. Meek Blood Center in Abilene supplies all of the blood used for patient care at fifteen area hospitals in a twelve county area.

The Meek Blood Center Bloodmobile will be at the City Park in Gorman from noon until 6:00 p.m., on Tuesday, June 30. The Blood donated at this drive will help boost the blood supply for the 4th of July weekend. Holiday travel will increase the chances of accidents, so it is very important to have an adequate amount of type available.

"Most of us would be willing to give up an hour of our time to save a life," said Frances Baker, donor recruiter for Meek Blood Center. "The patients who are one the receiving end of this precious gift of life are very grateful to those who are willing to take the time to go through the donation process."

Donors must be at least 17 years old, weigh a minimum of 120 pounds and be in good health. Each donor must present a photo ID. Most medications do not interfere with donor eligibility. Those who have eligibility questions may call Meek Blood Center at 325-670-2798 or visit www.meekbloodcenter.org.

Each donor will receive a free health screening, total cholesterol tests and a patriotic T-Shirt.

Camp on the Road

Gorman United Methodist Church has partnered together with Glen Lake Camp and Retreat Center to bring Camp on the Road to Gorman this summer. Camp on the Road will be held July 5th - 7th for students who will be entering grades 1st - 6th. Camp on the Road will be held at the Gorman United Methodist Church.

Sunday July 5th - 5 pm to 7 pm, Mon. July 6th and Tues. July 7th, 9 am to 3 PM. There will be lots of arts and crafts, bible stories and recreation. Come and laugh until you can't laugh anymore!

This camp is absolutely FREE!! To register, please contact the Gorman FUMC at 734-2547, Melissa Osborne 734-2849 or 254-485-4744, or Sharon Bell 254-734-4611.

Last day to register is June 30th.

Look Who's New!! It's A Boy!!



Travis and Melissa Walston of Fort Worth lovingly announce the arrival of the son, Garrett Jobe Walston. Garrett is also welcomed by a very excited big brother, Trevor. Garrett arrived Wednesday, May 27, 2009 at 5:05 p.m. at Baylor Medical Center in Grapevine, Texas. He weighed 7 lbs. and 9 ounces and measured 20 inches long. Proud grandparents are Leisa Jobe of Athens, the late Rex Jobe, and Gary and Joe Walston of Desdemona. Garrett is also welcome by great-grandparents Durward and Mary Webb of Gorman, LaVelle Jobe of Gorman, Alta Mae Wilcoxson of Odessa, Lois Walston of Stephenville and great-great-grandmother, Anna Lois Watson of Gorman.

Children In Action

Children In Action (CIA) at Firstfruits continues to meet through the summer. Our focus for June is Impacting Your Community. This week's topic was to offer what you have to God and see what He will do to impact those around you. Next week's focus will be about being a good neighbor. Come and join in on all the fun and excitement on Monday's at 6:30pm. Also, come and see the new items at the Apex store. It's for children ages 6-12. Parents are also welcome to come. Call Firstfruits at 734-3203 for more information. (CIA will not meet Monday July 6 to encourage everyone to attend Camp On the Road at the First United Methodist Church.)

Firstfruits Christian Fellowship announces its Vacation Bible School - "STUDIO GO!"

July 13-17
6 pm to 9 pm
Ages: 4 to 12

Children will be put into action to Go Risk! Go Lead! Go Serve! Go Obey! Go Tell!
You know it's going to be GOOD!
For more info, please call 254-734-3203.

Standings From 281 Speedway For June 13th

For Those Who Like It And Those Who Don't!

Street Stock Complete Point Standings

- #3 Josh Cox - Gorman, Tx - 184
- #75 Ed Cox - Gorman, Tx - 180
- #27C Cody Skidmore - Tolar, Tx - 175
- #56 - Melvin Burrows - Gatesville, Tx - 167
- #37 Robert Tullios - Tolar, Tx - 166
- #48 - Kyle Tullios - Tolar, Tx - 163
- #12 - Mike Burnside, Jr. - Mineral Wells, Tx - 161
- #74 - Bobby Cox - De Leon, Tx - 150
- #22 - Jack Jenkins - Waco, Tx - 144
- #1 - Jay Watts - Stephenville, Tx - 134
- #88 - Joseph Hunt - Sidney, Tx - 129
- #11 - Les Johnson, Jr. - Hewitt, Tx - 101
- #23 - Leonard McGowan - Tolar, Tx - 80
- #9 - Andrew Richards - Robinson, Tx - 79
- #31 - Jeff Williams - Waco, Tx - 38
- #8W - Steve Wade - Waco, Tx - 35
- #32 - Conda Wood - Lipan, Tx - 32
- #18 - Tony Morehead - Cleburne, Tx - 31
- #22K - Marvin Kenley - Tolar, Tx - 30

Where Are Your Kids Tonight????

Miss and Little Miss Gorman Pageant Set Saturday Night

Miss Gorman and Little Miss Gorman contests are coming to an end. The contests will end Saturday June 27th at 12 noon. All winners will be announced at the pageant on Saturday night at 7:00 p.m. in the high school auditorium.

We urge everyone to come out and see who will represent Gorman in 2009.

Our reigning Miss Gorman, Kimi Seaton, and our Little Miss Gorman, Brylee Johnson, will crown the new Miss and Little Miss. These girls represented Gorman very well in many parades, and many other special events. We appreciate them very much.

Fund raising projects are still underway for our Miss Gorman candidates. Give them your support.

Miss Gorman Contestants:

Jaylon Miley-Chamber of Commerce
McKensie Osborne-- Fire Department
Mallory May-- Lion's Club

Miss/Little Miss Gorman Contestants:

Suellyn Hunter-- Chamber of Commerce
Raelena Fenley-- Upperroom Collectables

The proceeds will go to community projects. We appreciate everyone's support to these projects and our town.

BENEFIT RODEO FOR LOCAL COWBOY

Reece Clark, a Breckenridge cowboy, was injured in a pickup accident on June 1, 2009. His left arm was badly damaged as a result of the accident. He is going to have to have many surgeries to repair and make the arm useful. A number of local people have gotten together to help raise money for this young man. There will be a Benefit Rodeo on June 27th starting at 10 a.m. At our rodeo arena in Breckenridge, Texas. There will also be Bull Riding. There will be a Concession Stand. There will also be an Auction of many different things that have been donated by so many people. After the rodeo there will be a dance at the VFW and Caleb Hodges and his band will be playing. There will be a lot of things going on at the arena during the day. If someone has something they would like to donate for the auction call 254-629-2288 and ask for Chris or Nan and they will be glad to help you with any information. RODEO ADMISSION IS BY DONATION ONLY.

ASK GOD FOR RAIN WE
NEED SOME MOISTURE

THANK YOU

The Gorman Lion's Club and Gorman VFD would like to thank the City of Gorman, Gorman Chamber of Commerce, Meek Blood Center, Gorman EDC, PDQ Mobile X-Ray, Dublin Dr. Pepper, Eastland Wal-Mart, Gorman Milling Compny, Smith Service Station, The Hair Shoppe, Panda's Flowers and Gifts, American State Bank, Pate's, Stephenville Wal-Mart, Bayer Motor Company, Dairy Queen, City Grocery and Birdsong Peanuts for supporting our 10th annual tour of the Country Peanut Bike Ride. We would also like to thank all the volunteers who helped make the goody bags, registration, work the rest stops, sag wagons, put the signs out the night before, set up at the park and most of all the clean up. Big THANK YOU to all the riders who came from all around to join us this year.

Eastland Memorial Hospital - Cardiac Rehab and Wellness Center Open House



The Eastland Memorial Hospital - Rehab and Wellness Center held its Open House recently with the Ribbon Cutting to officially open the Center. Individual Memberships are available at the Wellness Center facilities by call 254-631-5358 or by visiting www.eastlandmemorial.com for more information.

ITEMS OF INTEREST

SANDRA CAGLE WILL BE IN GORMAN AT THE CITY OFFICE TO RENEW AUTO LICENSE PLATES. HER NEXT VISIT IS WEDNESDAY, JULY 15TH 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. Techology Center / Gorman Community Center. Contact Lee or Amy Wood at 254-734-2973.

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

Cook Who's New
It's A Boy!!



Thomas and Vicki Seay are extremely proud to announce the arrival of their first grandchild -- Audie Lynn Seay. He was born to the proud parents, Tommy and Julie Seay on May 21, 2009 at Fort Stockton, Texas. Audie weighed 7 lbs. and 8 ounces and was 20 inches long. Audie is also the grandson of Martha King and the late Lynn King of Fort Stockton.

Winner of Coloring Contests



Lauren Underwood, Maxfield Elementary School, Gorman is the Winner of the Upper Leon Soil and Water District Coloring contest. Pictured with her teacher, Mrs. Vaughn. Lauren was presented with a plaque and a \$50.00 US Savings Bond. She is the daughter of Justin and Cindy Underwood.

De Leon Quilt Show At the City Hall June 26-28
Hours Fri-Sat 10 am-5 pm Sun 1 pm- 3pm
For more information call
Nancy 254 842-5603 or Sharon 254 893-6704

IT'S FLIP FLOP TIME AGAIN

Okay, you asked for it, so back by popular demand the Gorman High School cheerleaders will be selling Gorman Panther flip flops. The cheerleaders will begin selling immediately and will sell until June 30. Please see Becky Swanner or a Gorman cheerleader during the next two weeks if you want to get a pair of flip flops. This year the flip flops will be red with royal writing, so even if you have a blue pair you might like to get a new red pair!! Price is \$15.00 each and sizes range from kids size 11 to men's size 13. Cheerleaders are Brittany Henderson, Kimi Seaton, Jaime Johnston, Amy Regian, Carlie Jackson, Cortney Shirley, Chelsea Griffen, and Ally Little, or call Becky Swanner at 734-2480.

Obituaries

Kenneth Jay McDaniel

Kenneth Jay McDaniel, age 48 of Carbon, passed away Tuesday, June 16, 2009 at a Fort Worth hospital.

Services was at 2:00 P. M. Thursday at the First Baptist Church in Carbon with Mike Haggard and Ken Smith officiating. Burial was at Long Branch Cemetery.

Kenneth was born July 11, 1960 in Gorman to J. L. and Mary McDaniel.

He graduated from Carbon High School, Cisco Junior College and Tarleton State University. He married Jan Whatley on October 1, 1988 in Athens, Texas. He and his wife, Jan owned and operated Furniture Depot in Dublin, Texas. He was a member of the Church of Christ and attended First Baptist Church in Carbon.

Survivors include his wife, Jan McDaniel of Carbon, one brother, J. C. McDaniel of Carbon; two sisters, Betty Joyner and husband, Mike of Austin, and Jenette Pierce and husband, Ronnie of Aledo; nephews: Jeremy Joyner, Travis Joyner and wife, Shellie, Elizabeth and Noah of Austin; Dan Webb and wife, Sarah of Cresson; Chris Webb and wife, Susan, Cassie and Carson of Waller. He was preceded in death by his parents; one sister, Lynn McDaniel and a nephew, Kelly Webb. The nephews will serve as pallbearers.

Memorials may be made to The Humane Society of the United States at 2100 L. Street NW, Washington, DC 20037 or a charity of your choice.

Elmore Fiddle Camp Returns To Cisco College, Free Nightly Concerts

The Randy Elmore Fiddle Camp will be held July 6-12 on the Cisco campus at Cisco College. The annual fiddle camp has been held at Cisco for the past six summers, and this year's classes will include a variety of fiddling styles, including Texas swing, Texas contest, Celtic, bluegrass, and jazz.

During the course of the camp, five free nightly concerts will be held at the Harrell Fine Arts building in the auditorium, beginning nightly at 8 p.m. Two camp instructors will be featured Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday evening. Randy Elmore will perform Thursday evening with a dance in the orchestra pit, and Saturday evening will feature the camp's students. "The final night of camp will conclude with an electrifying student recital with all students on the stage at once for a full orchestra," said Elmore.

"Our fiddle camp instructors are accomplished musicians who have numerous awards and recognitions, and audiences can expect to be treated to some outstanding musical performances. We hope that everyone will have the opportunity to join us. We think it will be a fun time that everyone will enjoy," Elmore said.

Instructors include: Randy Elmore, Wes Westmoreland, Johnny Gimble, Danny Levin, Dale Morris, Valerie O'Brien, Marty Elmore, Jules Graylion, Ellen Appleton, Dick Gimble and Bill Mitchell. For detailed biographies for each of the instructors and complete camp information, visit Elmore's website at www.randyelmore.com.

Cisco College is an affordable two-year institution with locations in Cisco and Abilene. The college offers a variety of career and technical education as well as academic transfer programs. For more information about Cisco College, visit www.cisco.edu.

Ada Irene Little West

Ada Irene Little West was born March 12, 1916. She joined her Lord in heaven on June 16, 2009. She lived 93 years serving her Father, her husband, children, family and friends. Her husband of sixty years preceded her in death on August 23, 1995.

For the past fourteen years she has yearned to follow him home. John told his children that their mother was a Proverbs 31: 10 -31 Woman. "Who can find a virtuous woman?... her children rise up and call her blessed, her husband also and he praiseth her." And anyone who knew Irene well, can say amen!

Services was at 2:00 P. M. Saturday with Bro. Barry Schahn officiating at the Higginbotham Funeral Home Chapel. Burial was at the Oaklawn Cemetery.

Irene was one of fifteen children, only three brothers remain behind. She is survived by her four children; Peggy Brooks and husband, Archie of Merkel; daughter, Sandra Osborne of Gorman; Johnnie Barnett of Stephenville and one son, David West and his wife, Kathy of Chino Valley, Arizona; three brothers, Bennie Little of Jacksboro, J. L. Little of Amarillo and Paul Little of Memphis, Texas; she is also survived by 13 grandchildren, 14 great grandchildren and 5 great-great grandchildren and a host of extended family and friends.

She was an active member of the First Baptist Church in Gorman for 61 years. Irene served her Father well and has now heard "Well done my child, welcome home."

Memorials may be made to the First Baptist Church in Gorman.

Looking For Missing Carbon High School Classmates

In an effort to compile an accurate and complete listing of everyone who attended Carbon High School for the school's website, I am asking for your help. The Gorman Progress has graciously agreed to assist in the project by publishing a list of names each week. This list will change so please check if often to see if you know any of the missing and can supply an address, phone number or email for them.

You may contact me, Linda (Jackson) Neeley at P. O. Box 8992, Horseshoe Bay, TX 78657; phone 830-598-5613; email lneeley47@yahoo.com or on the website www.carbonhighschool-reunion.org.

List of Missing:

- Cory Ashley
- Sara Baker
- Evelyn Mae Beaty
- Elroy Bethany
- Mary Ruth Booth
- Maudine Booth
- Olene Both
- Martha Bryant
- Mary Burns
- Bryan Lee Butler
- Faye Butler
- Lela Mae Buzbee
- Bobbie Byd
- Ricky Cagle
- Darrell Carlton
- Karen Carlton
- Joyce Casey
- Ande Cervantz
- Joan Ellen Clark
- Raymond Clements
- Audrey Collins
- Bryan Cross

HELP WANTED: Weekend RN - 2-3 Weekends a month - LNV - 2/8 thru July then 6/2 starting in August. CNA 6/2. Please apply in person at De Leon Nursing and Rehab, 809 E. Navarro in De Leon, Texas. ITC

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14th Annual Freedom Festival

The 14th Annual Freedom Festival will be held on July 4, 2009 in Rising Star City Park. Vendors Welcome. Call 254-643-4261 for Information. The festival will start with a Community Wide Garage Sale beginning on July 3rd and last until July 6th. On July 4th at the City Park the festivities will begin at 4 p.m. With Music, Arts and Crafts, and Food; Water Slide, Jumping Booth and Antique Cars and Tractors; Son's of Confederate Veterans; Freedom Train for Kids; Country and Western Music; Apple Pie Bake Off and Ice Cream Freeze-Off. Beginning at 6 p.m. There will be a parade, a Memorial at the Veteran's Memorial Wall and Hot Dogs and Brisket Sandwiches with trimmings. After dark the biggest Fire works display in the area will be held.

Classifieds

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VERY PRODUCTIVE - 40 ACRES, M/L, NW OF GORMAN Good coastal and native grasses, good fences and cross fence, County Road frontage, 1 stock tank and water in the area. Call us today to take a look!! A19 INVESTORS - INVESTORS - INVESTORS - This property consists of 2 structures. A 2 story office building, old cafe. This property has a lot of possibilities!! C19 DO A LITTLE AND SAVE A LOT! Great potential for this 3 or 4 bedroom, 3 bath brick home nestled in 7 wooded acres. Outbuildings at the edge of Gorman. SAVE \$\$\$ HA17

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REDUCED 320A, on Turkey Creek, creek, tanks, well, hunting [E01] ~~\$\$\$600,000~~ \$800,000
SOLD 250A, on Copper Creek, wooded, coastal lake, cabin, rural water [L01] \$795,000
UNDER CONTRACT 236A, wells, tanks, rolling terrain, hunting [D02] \$1,995,000
 102 A, water well, coastal, corrals, hunting, mins. & owner financing possible [J02] \$285,000
 81 A, Pecan Orchard, 900+ improved variety, underground irrig, wells [RENO] \$405,000
 45 A, 7 irrig wells & pit, buried mainline waterlines, minerals available [N01] \$2,500,000
UNDER CONTRACT 30 A, 3-2 1/2 Custom Home, garage, porch, shop, barn [D01] \$480,000
 212A, Sprigged with World Feeder Coastal Bermuda grass, water well [MS04] \$92,500
REDUCED 20 A, home site, rural water avail, possible owner finance [WMD1] \$75,000
 101A, rolling terrain, Live Oaks, hunting, near Proctor Lk. will divide [LR03] \$2,750,000
UNDER CONTRACT 157 A, Hwy.16 frontage, coastal, water well [J02] \$40,000
 7-4 Brick Home, 2.31 A, 2 fireplaces, CH&A, tile floors, office, Jacuzzi [J02] \$220,000
 4-2 Brick Home, 2 fireplaces, CH&A, 2 car garage + 7' x 16' mobile home [JH1] \$159,000
 4+A, 4-3 Remodeled Brick Home, additional recreational room, water well [RH02] \$149,900
REDUCED 5 A, 3-1 Frame Home, near Proctor Lk., barn, rural water [L01] \$92,500 \$89,500
 5 A, 4-2 Brick Home, metal roof, carport, pecan trees, wells & tank, fenced [WKO1] \$90,000
 3-2 Frame Home, CH&A, water well, carport, storage building, large lot [LR04] \$39,900
 2-2 Brick Home, 2car attach garage, new flooring, large lot, fenced yard [MG02] \$75,000
 2-2 18' x 60' Mobile Home, 3 car garage, more buildings, water well [fenced] [CR01] \$50,000
REDUCED 2-1 Frame Home, attached garage, storage building [ST01] ~~(\$7,900)~~ \$68,000
REDUCED 2-1 Frame Home, 2.3 A, screened porch, water well, [GBO2] ~~\$\$\$45,000~~ \$45,000
 Fully-equipped Restaurant, large one acre lot on Hwy.6 in De Leon [RL01] \$85,000
 Commercial Bldg. on Hwy.36, 6,480 sq. ft, 3 separate units & entrances, CH&A [RC01] \$82,500
 Fully-equipped Restaurant, Hwy.6 De Leon, 2,993 sq ft CAD, paved lot, [GM02] \$180,000

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NEW: Rising Star, operating laundromat, washers, dryers, folding tables and seating. Great investment opportunity. \$27,500.

NEW: De Leon: Nice older 3-1 Frame home, 1308 sq. ft, new roof & Plumbing, 2 car garage, fenced yard, corner lot, large trees. \$90,000.

NEW: Desdemona, 4 A, older 3-1 frame, well & septic, workshop, beautiful location, large trees. \$59,900.

NEW: S/E Gorman: 45 A, sandy land, few Pecan trees, water wells, irrigation reservoir, close to pavement. \$2,500 Acre.

NEW: S/E Gorman: 60 A, good sandy soil, some coastal, good fences, nice pond site. \$2,800 Acre.

38 A M/L south Gorman: Fronts FM 679, about 10 A, large Pecan Trees, nice location for pond, good fences, sandy land. \$2,200 Acre - Seller Financing

NEW: Gorman, 4A, 2-2-2 bi-level frame home, 1728 sq. ft, central a/h, metal roof, covered upper deck, several wells, buildings, coastal, Deer & other wildlife \$250,000.00

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.

NEW: 130 A, West Carbon, approximately 40a cult., 35a coastal, pond, elec., county water. \$2,400 Acre.

NEW: S/W De Leon: 131 A with 12 acre lake! 66a coastal, 53a farm land, well, 3 ponds, great fences, good horse place, hunting. \$3,000 Acre.

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Gorman ISD is currently accepting bids for the milk products for the 2009-2010 school year. All bids for milk products are due in my office by July 10, 2009.

Gorman ISD - Attn: David K. Perry
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If you have questions concerning the bidding process or products required, please contact the superintendent's office.

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Pig Tales From Hogtown

Well, summer has arrived! I know that the burn ban is not in effect at this time but this heat and wind will be drying everything out very quickly so please be aware of the weather conditions when burning. Also, watch for the burn ban to be reinstated as we know it will be!

This coming Saturday, June 27th, is the fish fry at the DAC beginning at 6:00 P.M. If you have attended one of our fish fries, you know guys in Desdemona are great fish fryers! We will have all the fixings to go with the fish and will be cooking chicken too. We would like to ask the ladies of Desdemona, again, to bring desserts. The ladies always come through for our functions in a wonderful way. The cost is by donation only.

Our usual first Saturday 'Breakfast at the DAC' will be July 4th next month - can you believe that this year is half over already!

We will be having an ice cream social on July 18th here at the DAC. If you would like to make some homemade ice cream for this event, please call me at 758-2420 or let someone here in town know. As in the past 2 years, there will be no charge for this evening. We will have volleyball, horseshoes and other games to enjoy.

See you in Desdemona!
Carol Pell

Sand Hill Cemetery Meeting

Comanche County Sand Hill Cemetery Association will hold its annual Business Meeting at 2 p.m. Saturday, June 27th at Hwy. 6 Cafe in De Leon. Please join us there. Interest and financial support are crucial to the upkeep of the Cemetery. For more information, please call 254-842-4520 - Nita Wilson Gonzales, Secretary.

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AG VIEW POINT

By: Heath Begeman
CATTLE TUBERCULOSIS CONFIRMED IN TEXAS

Cattle tuberculosis (TB) has been confirmed in west Texas dairy that has been quarantined since April when some cattle in the herd responded to a TB test being conducted prior to a sale. (The sale was cancelled.) The cattle TB diagnosis was confirmed at the National Veterinary Services Laboratory (NVSL) in Ames, Iowa, where M.bovis or cattle TB bacteria, was grown or "cultured" from tissues that had been collected during the necropsy of the test-positive cattle.

"The infected herd remains quarantined while the final disposition of the herd is determined-either slaughtering the herd, or repeatedly testing and removing infect animals until the herd is free of cattle TB," said Dr. Bob Hillman, Texas' state veterinarian and head of the Texas Animal Health Commission (TAHC), the state's livestock and poultry health regulatory agency. "Dairy, calf-raising and dairy animal replacement operations with epidemiological links to the infected herd are being tested to determine both the origin and potential spread of the disease."

"I encourage ranchers or accredited veterinarians to call the state of destination prior to shipping bison, beef or dairy cattle out of Texas," said Dr. Hillman. "Some states may impose enhanced TB entry requirements on Texas cattle and bison. Keep in mind, too, that many states like Texas, have implemented cattle trichomoniasis testing requirements, so call before you haul."

"Cattle TB is a serious, transmissible disease, that can spread among herds," said Dr. Hillman. "In the early 1900s, when the national cattle TB eradication program was initiated, more than five percent of the country's herds were infected with the disease. At that time, cattle TB posed a significant human health threat, because consumers could become infected when they drank raw, unpasteurized milk that had not been through heat-treatment to kill bacteria. Today, commercially produced milk is pasteurized. While bovine TB is still a human health threat, other forms of tuberculosis, such as the human and avian strains, now pose the greatest risk of TB exposure to persons."

The press release was sent to me from the TAHC. For more information on Cattle TB, call your veterinarian or the Extension Office at 254/629-1093.

Happenings At FBC!!

Fatherhood! Setting aside a special day to celebrate Dads is joyous! Thank God for your father or the father figure in your life!

Mark your calendars:

June 28th - Baptism at 11:00am Morning Service.

July 4th - Independence Day.

July 27 to 30th - Boys/Girls Mission Camp - Send a kid to camp! Bring donations to Church Office.

Children's Sermon: Bro. Barry asked the children, "What do fathers do?" Among the responses were work, get money for food, buys us toys, and love us. Bro. Barry explained the difference between an earthly father and our heavenly Father. To be good fathers we need to do what God says in the Bible. Always remember your father and your heavenly Father want you to have a wonderful life and they love you always.

Bro. Barry's message: "Who's Your Daddy" - Proverbs 4:1-4

What would you say about your Dad? Bro. Barry said his Dad is the finest Christian he has ever known. He disciplined him and his sisters to raise them in the way of the Lord. He led by example, and they all knew how much he loved them. Above all, he loved Jesus.

Wisdom is supreme. Follow God and you will live a good life. A four-year old child does not know the distinction between an earthly father and our heavenly Father; the only thing the child sees is the actions of their earthly father. How do your children know you as a father? There are more single mothers raising families. God needs for men to be strong and bold, and to stand up and stand out!

CHECK LIST FOR DAD:

I. Keep the Way of the Lord. - Sports are not all there is in life. Is your family attending Church? Dads, are the words you say worth listening to?

II. Doing What is Right. - Base what is right on the Word of your heavenly Father. Make good decisions. Trust and believe in Jesus. The children that need fathers are watching you so be a father figure to them. Praise your children.

III. Doing What is Just. - Dads, are your children watching you live a life of strength, honour, purpose, and giving glory to God? What does your example say to your children? Does your wife call you her "knight in shining armour"? Treat your family with respect and dignity.

"Who's Your Daddy" - Help one another and reach out to all our children. God will use our church to be a father figure in a child's life. Your heavenly Father's hand is always there to hold yours. Bro. Barry asked for a moment of silence and walked out of the sanctuary for only about a minute but seemed like an eternity. We didn't know where he was or when he was coming back. Bro. Barry wanted all of us to experience what a child feels when a father walks out. Boldly stand out, and let your children see the love of Jesus in you. Profess your faith in Jesus! Your kids are watching! Thank God for Fathers!

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

City Minutes

June 18, 2009

The Gorman City Commission met on the above date. Those present were Mayor Robert Ervin, Commissioners Joe Casey, Nathan Files, David Stanley and Charlie Torrez. Others present were David Shirley, Josh Nichols, Barbara Fenley, and Trace Gortt.

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

Mayor Ervin called the meeting to order @ 5:31 p.m.

David made the motion to approve the minutes as read. Joe made a second. Motion carried 3-0.

Joe made the motion to approve the bills for payment. David made a second. Motion carried 3-0.

David made the motion to approve the purchase of a valve that is used to back wash the swimming pool. The purchase is approved only if it is \$250 or less. Joe made a second motion carried 4-0. (Nathan arrived a few minutes late.)

David made the motion to appoint Trace Gortt as the Rabies Control personnel. Barbara will no longer have to fill this position. Nathan made a second. Motion carried 4-0.

At 6:05 p.m. Nathan made the motion to go into Executive session with a second from David. Motion carried 4-0.

At 6:30 p.m. David made the motion to adjourn from Executive session and return to Regular Open session with a second from Joe. Motion carried 4-0.

A motion was made by David to back pay Josh Nichols \$1 per hour for the first official full work period. And to set his salary @ \$13.00 per hour. The ninety day probation period stands for the TML insurance, as this is the policy intact with the City and TML, and the City does not want to change that policy. Joe made a second. Motion carried 4-0.

The Commission discussed the importance of attendance by each commissioner. If a commissioner will not be able to attend a Regular or a Called meeting, please notify the City Office prior to meeting time.

The secretaries will be phoning each commissioner to serve as a reminder and also get a quorum count.

There being no further business for consideration David made the motion to adjourn with a second from Joe. Motion carried, time was 6:50 p.m.

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Desdemona News

By Vonnie Guthery

"Country and Western Musical" Desdemona Monthly Musical will be held on Saturday, June 27th at the Community Center (former school building). Concession stand opens at 5:30 p.m. serving good food, 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, singers and visitors are invited to attend. This is a "SMOKE FREE" environment and the admission is "FREE".

Desdemona Homecoming and School Reunion will be held on Saturday, August 8th at the "old" school building. The morning program starts at 10 a.m. and the noon meal will be catered. This annual Homecoming began in 1921 and was held at the Community Tabernacle for many years before it was moved to the High School Gym in 1972. The first School Reunion was held in 1966 at the First Baptist Church in Desdemona and was later combined with the Homecoming at the High School Gym. Large crowds attended each year to keep this annual event going in full swing.

Ronda (Duke) Jaems and daughter, Emily of Whitney; Katie Duke of Early; Humpy and Betty Duke of Desdemona enjoyed a recent trip to Sterling, Colorado to attend the Hamilton Family Reunion. They visited Betty's brother, Kenneth and Doris Hamilton and family in Alliance, Nebraska; also visited Betty's sister, Judy Kob and family in Loveland, Colorado. This group visited Mount Rushmore and Custer Park in South Dakota. Betty attended school in Alliance, Nebraska and her brother, Kenneth has restored this "Hamilton Family Home" back just like it was when their parents and family were living there in Alliance. The home is a memorial to their parents, just like they left it with the furniture, cabinets, dishes, etc. Betty reported a wonderful trip.

Rodney Duke of Pantego; Russell and Susan Duke of Houston visited Father's Day in Desdemona with their parents, Humpy and Betty Duke.

Please contact this reporter with your weekly news. Your help will be appreciated. Thank you and have a nice day, "Coon".

COUNTY COMMITTEE ELECTIONS

Nominations for candidates to run for the Farm Service Agency county committee election representing producers in Local Administrative Area 1 will be accepted now through August 3, 2009.

LAAs are elective areas. Single counties are divided into three LAAs. Elections are held each year to replace a member whose three-year term will expire.

Eastland County will be holding an election for a person to represent LAA 1, which is in the east part of the county. That position is currently held by Danny Snider. Mr. Snider is eligible to run again.

Ballots will be mailed to eligible voters by Nov. 6, and must be returned to the FSA county office or postmarked by Dec. 7, 2009.

All farmers, ranchers, and other producers are encouraged to participate. The county committee provides local input on commodity price support loans and payments, yields, conservation programs, disaster assistance payments and other programs. They make many decisions that affect you as a producer, so these elections are important.

Nomination forms are available at the Eastland County office or online. The petition must be signed by the nominee stating that he or she is willing to serve if elected. Forms and fact sheets are also available at: <http://www.fsa.usda.gov/pas/publications/elections/>

Certification Deadline Quickly Approaching

The deadline to certify spring seeded crops is July 15, 2009. This includes any grass, pasture, hay meadows, and CRP fields that have not already been certified. It also includes any crops such as peanuts, haygrazer, and fruits and vegetables. Annual certification of your acreage is required in order to stay in compliance with FSA programs. July 15 is also the deadline to report prevented planting and failed acreage.

Super Notes

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

I hope everyone is having a great summer, especially you kids. I can remember when I was a kid, believe it or not, and the one thing I looked forward to was Six Flags Over Texas. This is not an advertisement; it is just what I did. I got to go there for at least the first 6 years in a row that they were open and then several times since then. I can remember hot days like we are having now and the rides you would ride to get wet and the rides you would ride to cool off like the Spelunkers Cave. It has changed over the years but I can still smell that hot asphalt. Enjoy the summer; go somewhere; do something fun, even if you stay at home or around home to do it.

Work continues on the new high school and gymnasium and we are at the point where certain parts of the job are coming to completion. Cabinetry ins in, gym floor will be sanded this week, seating in installed in the gym, almost all the HVAC system is in and I might add that it is extremely quiet and efficient, the science lab is almost finished and they are setting restroom fixtures in the various restrooms in the facility. As always, feel free to stop by and take a look. Tours are free. We will have an open house as soon as we can after completion too!

We held our regular board meeting Monday night at 6:00pm in the high school. All board members were present as well as David Perry, Jeff Byrd, Mary Reeves, Susie Hampton, Cindy Underwood, Charlie Bunch, and Jim Barnes. Daryl Hirst and Mark Simmons were sworn in to fulfill their new terms prior to the meeting by Terry Treadway. The first order of business after the prayer given by Jeff Seaton and the Pledge of Allegiance was to reorganize the officers of the board resulting in Mark Simmons as our new president, Bob Powell as our vice-president, and Beth Underwood as Secretary. The board then unanimously approved the consent agenda which included a budget amendment that will allow our athletic programs and our band program to complete purchases needed to begin school next year. Mr. Barnes then went over a summary of work completed on the new building, no action needed. Mr. Perry then gave the fund balance and tax office reports. The schools financial condition is sound. Mr. Byrd then combined the Athletic Director's report and the principal's report - Our year end attendance rate was over 96% and some of our coaching openings will be addressed later under personnel. Susie Hampton then reviewed our TAKS scores with the board citing our improvement and where improvement was needed. Mrs. Reeves then explained several items on which she was working regarding Title I stimulus money and required reports that she has filed. Mr. Perry then shared how pleased he was with the job Tim Barton has been doing for us on the building project and how everything was coming to a close in the next few weeks. He then shared that he had received notification from the Texas Education Agency that the school's 2007-2008 financial audit had been closed with no findings. He was also notified of the school's preliminary financial integrity rating for the most recent period of review, a rating of superior for another year. We will hold a public meeting prior to a future board meeting once the report has been made official to distribute the report. The board then unanimously approved Stanley Walker as the student accident insurance provider for the 2009-2010 school year based on the proposal he submitted. The board, then in one motion and vote, unanimously approved agenda items 9, 10, and 11 (the campus and district improvement plans). The board then unanimously approved updates to the Gifted & Talented program as submitted. The board then unanimously approved a sound system for the new gym proposed by Custom Audio in Baird, Texas. At this time the board took a break to go look at the building project. When the board returned, they tabled items 14, 15, and 16 and requested further study. Item 14 dealt with the update to a policy that may have been changed by recent legislation - we will wait and see. The other two deal with the board going to a computer based paperless board meeting format marketed and recommended by the Texas Association of School Boards. We are going to do a study to see how much paper, time and effort we save by doing so before any further consideration to see if the expense will be justified or at least by how much the expense will be off set. The board then unanimously approved the following: TASB policy update 85 second reading; the proposed TASB advocacy resolution; Burl Lowery as auditor for the 2009-2010 school year; and the 2009-2010 Athletic Policy. Under personnel, the following action was taken: Two employees for the EastEnd Special Education Cooperative were hired, Belinda Segura was hired as a middle school ELA teacher and assistant girl's coach, Trey Felan was hired to teach middle school history and as head baseball coach, Rebecca Peterson was hired as middle school math teacher, Todd Lawdermilk was hired to teach high school Health and Speech and as head boys basketball coach. Mr. Perry then discussed at will employees that were being considered for hire and there were no objections. The board adjourned at 9:17pm. The next regularly scheduled board meeting will be by July 13, 2009.

As always, our crew is busy getting the school ready for students in August. It will be here before we know it. Try to stay cool when you can and do something fun this summer. 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

Senior Citizens News

By Carol Ward

There were 29 here to fellowship and celebrate for our Birthday Lunch. This third Wednesday, the 17th we honored Winston Brown. He is now 88 and looking good. I do wish his sons had come to be with him. Glad Geraldine Wright, his sister, was here to help celebrate. Beth Shirley made the Birthday Cake, so delicious and very pretty. It was a white cake, white icing trimmed in light green. She also wrote Happy Birthday on the cake. I tried that once, a failure, HA!. Thanks to Bro. Frank Shirley for offering the blessing.

We were happy to see Anne Laminack bring her sister, Betty to visit with us. They are from Georgia. Betty is here visiting for a month, seeing if she can stand Texas, HA! I told her this is the wrong time of year to visit. She may move to Texas eventually. Ann bought the pink brick house across from Daisy Slaton. I do hope they visit with us again on Wednesday.

Sure was good to have Betty Regian back with her good rolls. They have been extra good the last two Wednesdays. We also enjoyed ham, chicken casserole, wieners and sauerkraut, yellow squash, green salad and 3 fruit salads with Cool Whip or Cream Cheese. All pink, delicious. Daisy made us some deviled eggs. It has become too difficult for her to get out. There was rice pudding, bowtie pasta salad, creamed potatoes and butter beans with ham. Also our good cornbread.

I sure did miss Barbara Bush. Glad to hear she is back. They were on a 10 day trip to New Mexico in that cooler country. They pulled their fifth wheel, so had lots of fun with a good place to rest up. They got back in time for our long hot summer. It was 101 on the 22nd. I had my heart shocked again on the 18th. It worked and the best comes back nominal, but doesn't last. I'm afraid I'll have to see some Doctors in Dallas. I might just forget all and live the rest of my life with an irregular heartbeat.

I visited with John Rice at our library on Monday the 22nd. It was good to find out Willo was home. She has done well after her fall. I meant to visit her at nursing home, but never made it. I must go visit her at home. I've had too many of my our problems, so my intentions don't always get accomplished.

Hope all is well and see you next time, Carol.

Century Plant At Oakland Cemetery



This is a picture of the century plant that is about to bloom at the Oakland Cemetery. It was brought from Alpine, Tx. and planted by Faye and CD Alldredge around 1990. The century plant only blooms once in it's lifetime and then dies.

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