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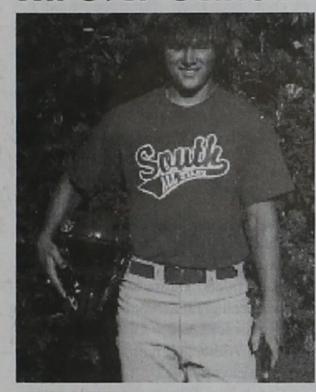
GISD Breaks Ground On New High School

Pictured from left to right: Jeff Seaton, Daryl Hirst, Beth Underwood, Larry Thompson, Melinda Harrington, Bob Powell, and Mark Simmons)

The Gorman School Board breaks ground for the new high school/gymnasium. The building will be built directly across the street (east) from Maxfield Elementary. Site work will begin this week.



Corey Clark Plays In GWTBCA All Star Game in Lubbock



Corey Clark chose to play in the GWTBCA (Great West Texas Baseball Coaches Association) All Star Game. Representing Gorman and the Southside Team. He played June 1st in Lubbock, TX at Moegle Field. His team was a combined 1A-2A team. Corey was one of 3 Catchers (the only 1A). He was in the starting line up as Catcher was able to play 3 innings. Corey made a throw down to Second in the 1st inning and got the runner out. Corey was the lead off batter in the 1st inning. He had a single and 2 RBI's, was able to score for his team later in the game. South won 9-7. Corey would like to Thank Coach Fox for his help and support on and off the field. We would like to Thank all those that drove all the way to support Corey, he had a great year and this was the Greatest way to end that year.

Dorcas Class Ends Semester of Study With Salad Luncheon

The Dorcas Class of the Gorman Church of Christ concluded its study of the Men of the Bible for the spring on May 27. A salad luncheon was held in the Fellowship Hall of the church. The survey of the Old Testament included character studies as well as a review of the historical background of the period. After a summer break, the group will begin again on Tuesday, September 9. Classes will start at 10:00AM each Tuesday. All ladies in the area are cordially invited to attend.



LOOK MAW, NO HAIR!!! - The bare ones shown above are (left to right) - Gary Overstreet, Harold Rodgers, Doyle Welch, Jerry Ormsby and Larry Anderson who dropped by the Progress office for "Kernel Gene" to snap this picture. We need old photos for our paper.

ATTENTION Juniors and Seniors:

The Quick THEA test will be given at the Gorman High School at 8:00 a.m. on Thursday, June 12th. The cost for the test is \$29.00. The examinees will be given 5 hours to complete the test. If you have any questions regarding the test, please contact Mrs. Hampton at 734-2614.

K'ann Howard and Ryan Graves

To Pledge Vows

Rev & Mrs. John Howard of Gorman, Texas announce the engagement of their daughter, K'ann Denee' to Ryan Graves, son of Rev. and Mrs. Kendall Graves of Iowa Park, Texas.

K'ann is currently pursing a Bachelors of Music degree at Tarleton State University in Stephenville.

Ryan, a 2006 graduate of Victoria College, is currently employed by United Regional Hospital of Wichita Falls as a Registered Nurse in the Patient Relations De-

partment.

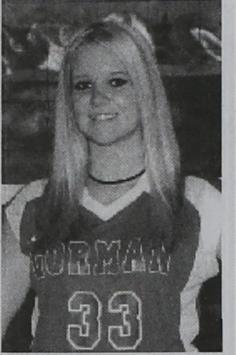
The couple will wed at Grace Tabernacle Church of Iowa Park

on June 7, 2008 at 1:00 PM.

Immediately following the wedding, a reception will be held in the Wichita Ballroom at the Howard Johnson Plaza Hotel. Following a Serving the Lord, Bro. Barry Schahn - 254-734-2420 trip to Montana the couple will reside in Iowa Park.

Miss Gorman and Little Miss Gorman Candidates Bethany Kay Oliver

Kimi Seaton



My name is Kimi Seaton and I am running for Miss Gorman. I am the daughter of Jeff and Veronica Seaton and the granddaughter of Lester and Sue Seaton and Frank and Jean Brinegar.

be a Junior at Gorman High School this fall. I am active in Volleyball, UIL, FBC Youth Group and Volunteering in my Community.

My hobbies include spending time with my boyfriend texting, just driving around, swim- upcoming Miss Gorman Pageant. ming, camping, summer league basketball, playing volleyball and definitely talking.

I am being sponsored by the Gorman Chamber of Commerce. All funds raised will go back into our Community. The contest will be held on June 28th at the Gorman Auditorium My escort will be Drew McCreless. Thank you for your Support.



Bethany Kay Oliver is I am 16 years old and will the daughter of Barbara and Gary Snapp. Bethany is a junior at Gorman High School. She participates Basketball, Livestock Raisers, in Basketball, Softball, Cheerleading, and UIL One Act Play. She enjoys riding horses, going fishing, and camping. Bethany is representing the Gorman Lion's Club as Drew, hanging out with my friends, the Lion's Club Sweetheart in the Ashlyn Rae Ann Nicole Martin



Ashlyn Rae Ann Nicole Martin is the daughter of Daniel and Carrie Martin.

Ashlyn has 2 brothers Cody and Calvin, she also has 3 sisters, Jessica, Rosie and Danielle.

She is sponsored By The Lions Club and she enjoys playing T-Ball, riding four wheelers, playing Barbies and spending time with her family.

Brylee Ray-Ann Johnson



Hello, my name is Brylee Ray-Ann Johnson. I am the 5 year old daughter of Jody and Amanda Johnson. I am a candidate for the 2008 Little Miss Gorman Contest.

I am proud being sponsored by the Gorman Chamber of Commerce.

I will be in Kindergarten-

My hobbies include swimming, playing camping wiht my big sister Bailey, playing babies, and going to my Nana and Daryl's to play the keyboard.

I also enjoy singing and going to Nana Rhonda's to play with my cousins. I also enjoy pestering my big brother Ben and his friends.

My favorite food is chicken noodle soup and my favorite drink is pink milk.

I am very excited about the Little Miss Gorman contest, and would like to thank the Gorman Chamber of Commerce for sponsoring me.

I will be escorted by Hayden Hampton, son of Adam and Sylvia Hampton.

Good Luck To All The Contestants In Miss Gorman and Little Miss Gorman

Ride The Wave Of Excitement!!

Church of Gorman invites all children ages 3-12 (or just completed 6th grade) to join us for an "Outrigger Island" Vacation Bible School on June 9 thru 13 from 8:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Registration will begin



at 7:45 a.m. on Monday morning, June 9th. Those needing a ride on the church van, need to call the church office at 254-734-2420. ALOHO -We Hope To See You There!!!

HAMBURGER LUNCH FRIDAY, JUNE 6TH LAMINACK CONSTRUCTION AT THE CORNER OF HWY. 6 AND KENT

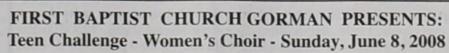
11 A.M. TO 1:30 P.M. Hamburger - Chips - Cookie and Drink - \$5.00 Lunch hosted by Kimi Seaton, Gorman Chamber of Commerce Candidate for Miss Gorman

For Delivery and Pre-Orders Call Veronica at 734-5052

To The Friends and Family of Edgar Reynolds!

Edgar would like to express his sincere Thank You to everyone that attended his 90th Birthday Party. Thanks also goes out to Kenneth Welch for bringing everyone together. Thanks again.

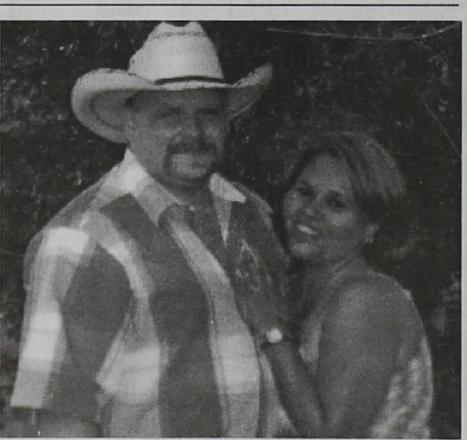
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We welcome all churches and their youth. " Meal Provided After Service "



Mr. and Mrs. Abel Espinoza Request the honor of your presence At the marriage of their daughter Anna Maria Espinoza

Gary Don Mauney, Fr.

Mr. and Mrs. Gary Don Manuey, Sr. Saturday the Seventh of June two throusand and eight At Three thirty in the evening First Baptist Church of Gorman

218 W. Ross - Gorman, Texas Reception immediately following the ceremony!

Delton H. Killebrew

Delton H. Killebrew, age 86 of Abilene, passed away on Sunday, June 1, 2008 at The Oaks at Radford Hills in Abilene. Services were held Wednesday, June 4th at 10:30 a.m. At Nowlin Funeral Home Chapel. Mit Chorn officiated, Music by LaRessie Wilkerson and Nicky Wilkerson. Burial was in De Leon Cemetery.

He was born October 12, 1921 in De Leon, Texas to the late Mose Jefferson Killebrew and Clireen Hughes Killebrew. He married Mae K. Ross on December 30, 1939 in De Leon.

Mr. Killebrew was retired U. S. Air Force serving World War II; also served in U.S. Navy; had resided in Abilene since 1969. He was

Survivors include his wife, Mae Killebrew of Abilene; one daughter Linda Chorn and husband Mitt of Abilene; one son, Elton Killebrew of Abilene; daughter-in-law, Judy Killebrew of De Leon; one sister, Barbara Killebrew of Portland, Oregon; 5 grandchildren and 5 great-grandchildren.

He was preceded by his parents, two sons, Jerry Killebrew and Ramon Delton Killebrew; one brother, T. J. Killebrew.

FOUR FAMILY YARD SALE: Saturday, June 7 from 7 a.m. to 1 p.m. at 321 East Roberts in Gorman.

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Livestock producers have until July 18, 2008, to enroll in the 2005 2007 Livestock Compensation Program and Livestock Indemnity Program. Signup began on September 10, 2007, for the two programs which provide aid to livestock producers who suffered eligible livestock or livestock feed losses between Jan. 1, 2005, and Dec. 31, 2007.

LIP provides payments to eligible livestock owners and contract growers who incurred the death of livestock because of a natural disaster. LCP provides payments to eligible livestock owners and producers who had feed losses or increased feed costs because of a natural disaster.

More information about LCP and LIP is available online at: http:// and was 20 inches long. His pardisaster.fsa.usda.gov. For more information on FSA programs, visit your local USDA Service Center or the agency's Web site, http://www.fsa.usda.

ACREAGE REPORTING

Acreage reporting time will soon be here. Filing an accurate acreage report for all crops and land uses, including failed acreage and prevented planting acreage, can prevent the loss of benefits for a variety of programs.

Failed acreage must be reported within 15 days of the disaster event and before disposition of the crop. Prevented planting must be reported no later than 15 days after the final planting date.

Acreage reports are required for many Farm Service Agency programs. For crops other than NAP (Noninsured Crop Disaster Assistance Program) crops, acreage reports must be certified by the May 1 deadline on small grains and a July 15 deadline on all other crops.



Cortney DeAnn Congratulations on your Promotion to Gorman High School - 2008 Looking forward to your Graduation in 2012.

Love, Mom and Dad: Tiffany, Ronson & Hunter Childers Grandparents: Gary L and Shirley Shirley Abunt Brittany: Pam and Ron Childers Great-Grandparents: Frank and Beth Shirley nelda and Billie Shipman Ms. Annie Faye Foster "You Light Up Our Life"

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613 A, 3-2 Brick Home, carport, barn, wells & tanks, creek & hunting, partial minerals & royalities \$2,025,000 [wwo2] 455 A, wells & tanks, creek, tree covered hills, wildlife cover,

hunting, Hwy.6 frontage \$1,912,000 [RS01]
250± A, on Copperas Creek, 150 wooded, 100 coastal, lake, tanks, cabin, rural water \$850,000 REDUCED \$795,000 [LB01] 243 Å, reservoir & wells, irrigation pit, highway frontage, cultivation, costal, native pasture \$2,500 per acre [ABO1] 236± A, wells & tanks, rolling terrain, minerals available,

hunting \$2,195 per acre [DS02] - UNDER CONTRACT 231 A, on Leon River, wells, pecan trees, hunting, minerals available \$751,530 REDUCED \$665,280 [DK01] 150 A, rolling terrain, minerals \$442,500 [LOO1] - SOLD 100 A, approx. 95 A of costal, 5 A wooded, and stock tank

Located about ½ mile off Hwy.36 \$275,000 [JW01]

• 90 A, 4-3 Brick Home, fireplace, game room, RV shed, well & tank, minerals neg. \$397,500 REDUCED \$392,500 [BE01]

• 81 A, Pecan Orchard, approx. 900 improved variety trees,

underground drip irrigation, 9 wells \$405,000 [REMO1]
52 A, 4-3 Brick Home, carport, wells & tanks, corrals, barns
\$250,000 REDUCED \$239,500 [LP01]

51 A, with highway frontage, spring creek and hunting 182,000 [RP01] 47± A, 1-1 Rock Home, hand dug well, rural water, wildlife

cover, coastal, hunting, minerals negotiable \$175,000 [wmo2] 45 A, 7 irrigation wells & pit, buried mainline w/risers, mineral available \$2,750 per Acre [NFO1] 30 A, 3-21/2 Custom Built Home, garage, porch, RV shed & shop, barn, wells & tanks, Hwy.16 frontage \$450,000 [DB01]

25.6 A, 4-2½ Brick Home, garage, carport, storage buildings, water well & tanks \$210,000 [JB03] – UNDER CONTRACT 24.5 A, on Flat Creek, with water well, native pasture, close to highway \$98,000 [MPO1] - UNDER CONTRACT
20 A, Pecan Orchard, hwy. frontage, rural water available,

Owner will divide \$5,000 per Acre [SH01] 20 A, excellent home site, costal, rural water supply available,

hunting, minerals negotiable \$75,000 [wmo1]

• 14±A, 3-2 Brick Home, fireplace, fenced yards, garages & storage buildings \$180,000 [Fwo1] - UNDER CONTRACT

• 8.6 A, 3-2 Frame Home, water well, above ground pool with deck, horse barn \$129,900 [ki01]

• 8½ A, 3-2 Metal Frame Home, near Lake Proctor, work shop, wells, underground sprinkler system \$265,000 (res)

wells, underground sprinkler system \$265,000 [лто2] 7± A, Metal Building on slab, large oak trees, pecan orchard

hwy. frontage, water well \$65,000 [FW02] - UNDER CONTRACT 5 A, 4-2 Brick Home, metal roof, carport, storage buildings pecan trees, wells & tanks \$120,000 [WK01]

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3-2½ Custom Brick Home, approx. 1.4 acre, 3 car garage, rural water, paved drive, storage building \$297,500 [DVLO1] 4.73 A w/4-3 Remodeled Brick Home, additional recreational room, water well \$149,900 [RH02]

3-2 Double Wide, screened porch, workshop, wells, 2 large lots and older frame home \$135,000 [JA02] 3-2 Frame Home, 2.5 Acres, wood burning stove, carport, rural water, well, shop \$137,500 REDUCED \$99,900 [cco3]
2-1 Frame Home, 0.621 Acres, close to Tarleton, 2-car attached carport, storage byuilding, fenced yard \$92,500 [RS02]

2-1½ Frame Home, garage, storage building \$75,000 [ST01]
3-2 Doublewide, 2/car carport, on 3+ lots \$70,000 [LK01]
2-1 Frame Home, 2.3 A, screened porch \$55,000 [GB02]

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NEW: 17A N/E Gorman, 10A wooded, nice large oak trees, electric meter, country

location, great place for a new home! \$3,500 A. NEW: 38 A M/L south Gorman: Fronts FM 679, about 10 A. large Pecan Trees, nice location for pond, good fences, sandy land. \$2,500 Acre

40 A m/l, south Gorman, pasture, fenced, small cabin, water well, small pond, elec. sandy soil, paved road. \$2,750 acre. NEW: 77A Sipe Springs, deer, turkey & 2 stocked ponds, Live and Post Oak, mineral

rights. Insulated 30x40 steel Bldg., a/C, 7 living quarters. Nice Getaway! \$3,250 A. 49.83 A. west Gorman, large of pool and, sulding spots, country water/elec. available, fenced, ponds, barn/coral, great nunting, pretty place! \$2,900 ACRE NEW: 80A s/e Gorman, app. 30 a coastal, 7 - 8 wells, reservoir, good fences, elec. good soil, nice pond site. Will Divide \$2,500 per acre

100 A west De Leon FM587, 3 - 1 1/2 - 2 brick, 1444 sq. ft., C/HA, fireplace, carpeted, some remodeling, 3 ponds, 30a crop land, 35a coastal, some native, fenced, 2 steel corrals, 2 wells, shop building. Nice setup. Mineral Rights. \$2,950.00 A. NEW: 156 A. Carbon, 1/2 wooded - 1/2 fields, deer, turkey, 3 ponds, nice 2 - 2 mh,

central a/C, barn, corral, county water. \$4,000 acre. 179 A. south of Gorman: Part wooded, part old fields, deer & hogs, 2 nice ponds, sandy soil, elec., several water wells, condition is unknown. \$2,350.00 acre.

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Cook Who's - NEW It's A Boy!!

Kyle and Kelci Sandlin wish to announce the arrival of their brother, Jesse Delton Sandlin, born May 16, 2008 at Hendricks Medical in Abilene. Jessie was born at 12:06 p.m. and weighed 8 lbs. And 10 ounces ents are Cole and Ashly Sandlin of Carbon. Grandparents are Bill Sandlin of Carbon and Daryle Brown and Connie McQueen of De Leon.



Super Notes (5-26)

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

This school year is coming to a close very quickly. This Thursday will be our last day of instruction. Thursday evening we will have Eighth Grade graduation in the high school auditorium at 7:00pm. Friday evening at 7:00pm we will have our high school graduation on the football field if the weather cooperates. This has been a wonderful year and I feel privileged that you have chosen to share your children with us. I am very thankful to our entire faculty and staff for the great job they have done and for our school board members for their conscientious effort to continuously make Gorman ISD a better place for your children. I vow to continue our efforts to be the best we can be for your children and look forward to seeing everyone (except the seniors) return next year.

I am both happy and sad to announce the 2nd retirement of Martha Harrington. It has been my pleasure to work with her for the past three years. She is a great teacher and an even greater advocate for children. She will be missed. I hope she enjoys her retirement and will visit us often.

I want to congratulate all of our graduates! They are a special group. I know a couple of them would like to stay around for a couple of more years before having to brave the new world that awaits them. I wish we could keep them. But since we can't keep them, I want them all to know that they are always welcome and to come back to see us as often as they can. We are still here to help them if we can whenever they need us.

The one constant we have in education is change. Sometimes the changes are for the better and sometime they are not. I regret having to inform you all that Coach Paul Talbert is retiring this year from public education. He has done an incredible job for us in just two years and I wish we could keep him here forever. Coach Talbert is not going to quit coaching though, he is going to be coaching defense and special teams at Eastern Oklahoma State University in Ada, Oklahoma and doing a little scouting for them. I know their football program will make a noticeable improvement in their next season. Coach Talbert knows how to win! We will certainly miss him. He has been great and our athletes have to accomplished great things under his leadership. He has also been 10 a good friend and I will miss him. Although I hate to see him go, I wish him the best in his new endeavor!

We are also losing Coach Tori Talbert. She did a great job for us, especially since it was her first year to teach or coach. She has the same kind of drive her father has and put demands on our girls that they have not had and she made them better athletes. She showed them they could win and they did, especially in volley ball. Our girls made it to the playoffs for the first time ever. Tori is going to be coaching basketball at a high school in Mesquite, Texas. We wish her the best and hope she and Britain are happy there and that she experiences much success!

Last Thursday at noon we had a special called board meeting to discuss replacing our athletic director. No action was taken. We are currently taking applications and will be interviewing applicants next week if possible. We have had many apply.

Baccalaureate was held last Sunday in the auditorium. There was a big crowd. Sammye Mauney gave the invocation and then we watched a slide show of the graduates at various stages of their life. It was excellent! Pastor Barry Schahn then delivered an inspirational message to the seniors regarding their "space". It was both entertaining and meaningful. We thank Brother Barry for being such an active part of these students lives!

As usual, I will not be writing an article every week during the summer, but I will do my best to keep you informed about what we are doing. The building project should get underway this week. I hope all of our graduates have a wonderful summer and that whatever plans they have made for work or their continued education are successful. We will keep them in our prayers. I know God has great plans for them all!

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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impossible dreams." He refused to listen to those who would attempt to talk him out of his goal.

When he finished his high school career and walked across the platform to get his diploma, the superintendent of schools stopped him and said, "Johnny, tell these people what you want to be."

The young man smiled, squared his shoulders, and said, "I am going to be the greatest baseball catcher that ever lived!" And you could hear the snickers across that graduation crowd.

The rest is history. On one occasion, the former great manager of the New York Yankees, Casey Stengel, was asked about this young man. Casey replied to the question like this: "Johnny Bench is already

the greatest baseball catcher that ever played the game!" What makes this story so amazing? Already, at age eight, Johnny Bench had set his goal in life. During his playing career, he was twice voted the most outstanding player in baseball. It began as a dream, and

then became a goal that was translated into reality. Statistics tell me that if I were to poll each of you, less than 5 percent could say what their life goal

is! Ninety-five out of every 100 people are simply floating along on the tides of life. Where are you planning to go with your life? Setting a goal for your life may well be the most impor-

tant thing you will ever do! The starting point in any achievement begins with a goal! The apostle Paul knew the power of a life-goal when he said, "This one thing I do ..."

People with goals push ahead in the roughest, toughest, and most impossible kinds of situations and accomplish what they have set out to do.

Many of life's greatest achievements have yet to be met! Will you be one of those who sets a goal and discovers that you life can be changed and productive for the good of mankind? What is stopping you?

Today's Quote: The Lord gave you two ends...one for sitting and one for thinking. Your success depends on which you use...Heads you win, tails you lose! - Gas Flame

Today's Verse: This one thing I do, forgetting those things which are behind, and reaching forth into those things which are before, I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ

Philippians 3:13; KJV

Hello everyone, This story appears in Robert Strand's "Moments for Graduates'

Two Gorman Students Accepted Into People To People Leadership Program

Adriana Brown and Cosette Keeping, students at Maxfield Elementary School, have been accepted into the People to People Leadership Forum. Adriana Brown and Costee Keeping will join a select group of students in Washington, D. C., April 20-25, 2009 to study leadership and explore some of the United States most prominent monuments and institutions.

From Capitol Hill to the Smithsonian Institution, and from Gettysburg National Military Park to the International Spy Museum, Adriana Brown and Cosette Keeping will examine the characteristics of American leadership during times of national challenge and prosperity. Forum delegates will also participate in small-group discussion and exercises to experience first-hand how successful leaders develop strategies,

make decisions, build consensus, and foster change. Illaiange au not do She has the same kind of drive her father has and put demands

Adriana and Cosette were nominated and accepted for the honor based on outstanding scholastic merit, civic involvement and leadership potential.

The program is coordinated by People to People Leadership Programs to fulfill the vision President Dwight D. Eisenhower had for fostering world citizenship when he founded People to People during his presidency in 1956. For additional information please visit www.wlfleaders.org

Pig Tales From Hogtown

Since I didn't write an article for last week's paper, I would like to express my sympathy this week to the family of Evah Sparkman. And, also, to the Juan Romelia family for the loss of their beautiful baby daughter. My prayers go out to these families.

The DAC has been given, as a memorial to Bob and Merlene Wisdom, a beautiful Tree of Life. The tree has brass leaves on it which can engraved as a memorial to your own family member. The engraving doesn't have to be a memorial – it can be your name or something else. The donation to the DAC is \$100 for a leaf. The tree is on display at the DAC.

Bob & Dolores Tucker will have a very special visitor to their home this weekend. Their new granddaughter - 11/2-month-old Zoe will visit Desdemona for the first time from her home in Phoenix, AZ. Zoe is the daughter of Steve & Michele Tucker. A reception to introduce Zoe to all will be held at the Baptist Church Annex this Saturday afternoon, June 7, from 2:00 until 4:00 P.M. Bob & Dolores would like to invite all their

friends and friends of Steve's to come and meet Zoe. Saturday is also our usual first Saturday of the month 'Breakfast at the DAC' from 7:00 until 10:00

A.M. Please join us for eggs, bacon, sausage, pancakes, biscuits & gravy. It is delicious! The DAC is going to have an old-fashioned ice cream social with homemade ice cream! This event is going to be free of charge as a 'thank you' to all who have supported the DAC for the past 2 years. We have recently purchased some sports equipment that we are anxious to try out. Come and join us!

Please remember that the DAC building can be rented for your special events. We, also, have a huge covered porch that you can rent for your garage sale. Call me - 254-758-2420.

See you in Desdemona!

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THE GORMAN PROGRESS

Brandy Carlton Receives Texas Farmers Union Scholarship

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Pictured above are (left to right) - Dennis Clower, District Director for District IV, of Texas Farmers Union, Brandy Carlton, Gorman High School Senior, and James Schuman, President of Eastland County Farmers Union. Brandy has received a Texas Farmers Union Scholarship, having been selected for her High School achievements and academic excellence by these to Eastland County Farmers Union leaders.

District IV (which includes Eastland County) has announced the recipient of the Texas Farmers Union College Scholarship for the 6 county area making up District IV of the Texas Farmers Union. TFU each year awards scholarships to deserving students across the state of Texas which are given through the Texas Farmers Union Scholarship Fund. Texas Farmers Union is a state division of the National Farmers Union, which was founded in Point, Texas in 1902. This organization is a grassroots organization dedicated to preserving the Family Farmer and Rancher. This effort, for now over 100 years, focuses on three main thrusts - Education, Co-operation, and Legislation. Over the years, Farmers Union has developed and maintained many Farmer-owned Co-ops, which have helped immeasurably in lowering costs of farming inputs such as seed, fertilizer, tires, etc.

Legislation on the national level certainly affects every agricultural producer, and for many years Farmers Union has had a major influence in supporting and obtaining farm programs favorable to family producers. Twice each year, the organization sponsors "Fly Ins" for individual farmers and ranchers to go to Washington D. C. And tell their concerns face to face with their Congressmen and Senators.

The Farmers Union organization has always felt that Education is vital to a healthy rural way of life as well as that of the whole nation. Across the nation, summer camps are held to better inform many rural and city youth about all the facets of agriculture, and the way of life on a farm or ranch. Another major effort to help in education is the TFU Scholarship Program, which helps encourage more young people not only to attend college, but to also be motivated to achieve more of their potential while in High School. High Grades and all around achievements are all considered in order to receive on the scholarships.

Brandy Carlton of Gorman High School has been selected for this scholarship in 2008. Brandy is a farm girl, and has done everything from hauling hay to feeding cattle and hoeing peanuts. She has raised chickens, goats, ducks, and hogs. She states that her work on the farm has taught her to be more responsible and that hard work is key to success.

In the Gorman school system, she was salutatorian of Gorman Jr. High her 8th grade year. In High School, as a Freshman, she participated in band, was a cheerleader, played volleyball, ran cross country, played basketball, softball and ran track. Even as a Freshman she was a Regional Qualifier in the 800 meter run, High Jump, and Triple Jump, and also qualified for Area in the 400 meter dash. She was also the top student in grades.

Her Sophomore year, even after recovering from a painful debilitating break of her leg after being dropped in one of the cheerleading acts, she was able to participate in all these activities, and by track season, once again excelled in District, Area and was a Regional Qualifier in the 800 meter run, and was named 2nd team All District in Softball. She was inducted in the National Honor Society, and was given the Gorman Chamber of Commerce Academic Award as well as the President's Outstanding Academic Award.

As a Junior, she made Honorable Mention All District Volleyball, 2nd Team All District Basketball, and 1st Team All District Pitcher in Softball. Again, in track, she excelled in District, Area and was Regional Qualifier in the 800 meter run, High Jump and 1600 Meter Relay. She was also an Area Qualifier in the 400 Meter Dash. She was Junior Class President and as top student in her class, received the Gorman Chamber of Commerce Academic Award.

In her Senior year, Brandy was named 1st Team All District in Volleyball, 2nd Team All District Basketball, and 1st Team All District Pitcher in Softball. Her volleyball team won almost everything - Bi-District Champs, Area Champs, Regional Quarterfinal champs and Regional Semi-finalist. In track, again she was Regional Qualifier in the 800 Meter Run, 400 Meter Dash and High Jump. She was named Most Valuable Player in Girls Track at the Annual Gorman High School Sports Banquet.

Brandy has been on the "A" Honor Roll every year and is this year's Valedictorian of Gorman High School. She looks forward to using the TFU scholarship by enrolling in Tarleton State University in Stephenville this fall. She is the daughter of Jerry and Denise Carlton, and the granddaughter of Bob and Rosetta Carlton and Lynn and Rosetta Hagan, all of Carbon.

Mr. Clower and Mr. Schuman state that they believe Brandy exemplifies what Texas Farmers Union seeks in students to qualify for this scholarship and it is with much satisfaction that they present the Texas Farmers Union College Scholarship to Brandy Carlton.

Note Of Thanks

I was in Gorman for the Graduation. I lost my glasses. Someone found them and turned them in. I just want to say Thank You and May The Good Lord Bless You.

Pat Cornwell

Happenings At FBC!!

Hot! Summer has arrived and school is out - we hope you kids and faculty enjoy every moment of your deserved summer vacation. Our Church's new addition is continuing to make superb progress; and the carpet is being installed this week. God is magnificent!

Mark your calendars: June 8th @ 11:00am - First Performance of Our Puppet Ministry Team -Don't miss the Puppet Show! June 8th @ 11:00am - Teen Challenge, Women's Choir and Testimonies. June 9th thru 13th @ 8:30am to 11:30am - Vacation Bible School, theme is "Outrigger Island" Living God's Unshakeable Truth.

Special Music: Jeff Seaton shared that over the years it was evident to him that our church family and the Gorman community have interceded in prayer for him and his family. Though they have endured many tragedies, the outcome has been good. Then Jeff sang "Somebody's Praying". It was gorgeous and a remarkable blessing!!!

Liz Caraway's Children's Sermon: It was with extreme enthusiasm that Liz told the children that she loved getting to see them each and every week so she brought each and every one of them a sweet and free gift!!! Her extreme emphasis was that the gift was FREE! She brought them all a package of sweet tarts. Then she explained that the Bible tells us that God's gift to each and every one of us is His son Jesus Christ and it is FREE! We must accept it, believe it, confess our sins, and obey God. Have you accepted God's FREE gift? Will you live forever in heaven with Jesus?

Bro. Barry's message was "Last Train Out to Nowheresville" - Luke 1:1-4.

Known as the Last Train to Nowhere, there are two derelict steam engines and rolling stock that were abandoned on the tundra near Nome in 1907 when construction was stopped on a railroad track there; just picture them destitute with nowhere to go.

Has your happiness taken the last train to "nowheresville"? Change is hard and difficult, however, you can get off the train to nowhere - just do the do's!

I. Don'ts: 1.) Don't change your relationship with God to suit your lifestyle. - You can't make God fit an ungodly lifestyle! 2.) Don't change the precious true relationship you have with HIM. - His truths hold us together - strive to be a true servant. 3.) Don't change what you know as good and you know as just in your

and realize the good and the blessings! 4.) Don't change the way you take TIME to serve God. - Keep it! Everything you do with God makes you better. 5.) Don't change your mind and allow the devil to make his change from the outside to the inside. - On the outside the devil will attack you, but on the inside the devil will destroy you.

II. Do's: 1.) Do change things that allow you to stray from Jesus.- If you fall, get up! 2.) Do change your armor from light weight to heavy to withstand the devil. - The devil is relentless, don't let him get you down! Defend him with the heavy and complete armor of God! 3.) Do change anything that gets between you and God, and His will for your life. - How do you find His will for you? Listen, obey and be available to God! 4.) Do change your thinking from what you want for yourself to what He wants for you. Right now God has a plan for you, in you, and through you! You already belong to God. Be on the road to somewhere! Which train will you ride?

Welcome new members: Sandi Adair and family joined our Fellowship.

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

Also, our Worship Service is broadcast on the radio - 88.7FM. Remember: God loves you like no one else! Email us at fbcgorman@hotmail.com Even page

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Senior Citizens News

We enjoyed a great crowd of 38 people for our dinner and Edgar Reynold's 90th Birthday! We dined at 11:30 on Wednesday the 28 of May, then celebrated Edgar's Birthday at 12 noon with presents, songs and cards. Bro. Frank Shirley offered thanks for our food and all of us.

Edgar Reynolds birthday was a success with a beautiful cake made by Cecilia Hirst. It was delicious, especially with all the good ice cream. His sister Minnie Bee Holster was here with her daughter Jan to help celebrate. Minnie Bee and Edgar are the only two children left from a family of 12. Jo Hagan gave a talk about him and War Veterans, since he is a WWII veteran. She is also kin to him. Kenny Welch was so nice to give this party for Edgar and family. We all enjoyed this celebration. Edgar's friend Faye Faulk was also here to be with him. She was a nurse who helped with his wife Mabel's illness. They then became good friends.

Our meal was delicious with ham, pizza, deviled eggs, macaroni and burger casserole. Also many good Veggie dishes. Desserts consisted of Jello-fruit and cool whip mix, many cakes including the wonderful birthday cake. We also had our usual cornbread, no rolls because of the pizza. Then I wished we had rolls after all.

Eula Lee Miears is somewhat improved. She is eating small amounts, so good news. Hope she can continue to eat and gain strength. It would be wonderful to see her back with us again. All the prayers appear to be working. She could surprise us all and the doctors.

I attended the graduation of High School with Jo and Virgil Holdman. Betty Regian also joined us. It was a glorious day for the students. Beautiful weather, but hot, enough breeze so you could stand it. All the kids gave Mr. Panter a packet of catsup, don't know what that was about. The only problem, was hard at times to understand all they said. Hopefully next year we will in the new gym in air conditioned splendor. Also with a much improved sound system.

Daisy Slaton has been ailing since our meal. She had a dizzy spell as she was leaving. This all has something to do with her longtime motion problem. Thanks to Kenny Welch and George Simmons who made sure he arrived home OK. She is somewhat better, but has been sticking close, to home. Get better Daisy, we missed you at game night.

My sons Daryl and Mark Ward came last Saturday the 31st to help with numerous jobs around my home. They installed new windows in the front of my house. What a difference they make, hated those old sliding sideways windows. When you don't have a man around, the work piles up. They will come back soon to trim trees and clean out my jungle in back.

We traveled to the Hotel Lobby for game night on the 29th. The Center was rented for a Junior High graduation party. We appreciate Brenda Boyd for the use of the Hotel. Eleven enjoyed games of 88's, Spinner and 42. Next time we are going to try chicken foot and other different games. Hope more of you will come out. Why sit at home, its only one night a week. Enjoy having Ellen Parker and Jo Holdman being with us. Ailene Garrett also enjoyed learning Spinner, but is an Old time 42 player.

Hope all is well and see you next time.

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Neugebauer Recognized By American Conservative Union With 100 Percent Score

WASHINGTON, DC - Congressman Randy Neugebauer (TX-19) was recently recognized by the American Conservative Union (ACU) with a perfect rating of 100 percent. The ACU, America's oldest and largest conservative advocacy group, uses their annual ratings "to provide a balanced, comprehensive picture of each Member of Congress's ideological predisposition based upon recorded votes."

"I was honored to receive a perfect 100% score. This recognition is based on my voting record in 2007 and I am pleased that the American Conservative Union has noticed the conservative values I bring to Congress," Neugebauer stated. "My top priority as your representative is to represent you accurately. I have promised you a conservative voice in Congress and this award reaffirms my commitment to stand on principle and do the job you have sent me to do."

Larry Hart, ACU's Director of Government Relations, praised Congressman Neugebauer saying, "The rating of 100 percent that Representative Neugebauer received reflects consistent support for conservative principles across a broad range of issues. By comparison, the average score for Members of the House for 2007 was 43 percent. Representative Neugebauer is someone to whom grassroots conservatives in Texas and across the country will continue to look to for leadership."

This follows on the heels of the National Journal's ratings, in which Congressman Neugebauer was tied with seven others as the "most conservative" Members of Congress, with the distinction of being recognized as the most conservative Member from Texas.

News From Eastland Co. District Attorney Breckenridge Man's Probation Revoked

Presiding Judge Steven Herod of the 91st District Court revoked the probation of 19-year old COL-TON LEVI CAGLE MAHAN who had been living in Breckenridge. MAHAN also has felony charges of unauthorized use of a vehicle pending presentation to a grand jury in Stephens County. MAHAN had previously been placed on probation for the felony offense of Credit Card Abuse and two felony offenses of Fraudulent Use or Possession of Identifying Information. Assistant Criminal District Attorney Brenda Gray prosecuted the case. Defense Attorney Matt Schaefer of Cisco represented Mahan during the trial.

Ranger Man's Probation Revoked

Presiding Judge Steven R. Herod revoked the probation of JA-SON DERRELL COOPER, 23, Thursday morning after hearing testimony in the Eastland County Courtroom. Cooper, a Ranger resident, had previously been placed on eight years probation for Sexual Assault of a Child in 2006. The Court, after hearing evidence from the prosecution and defense, sentenced Cooper to six years in the Texas Department of Criminal Justice, for violating the terms and conditions of his probation. Further, Cooper's probation was also revoked a in Possession of Controlled Substance case and he was sentenced to the maximum, a two year State Jail term.

Criminal District Attorney Russ Thomason prosecuted with Cisco Attorney Matt Schaefer representing Cooper.

DWI DEFENDANT SENTENCED TO PRISON FOR TWENTY YEARS

Thomas Riley Eaton., 49, formerly of Cisco, Texas, is now an inmate awaiting transfer to state prison to serve two (20) twenty year sentences for the felony offenses of Driving While Intoxicated. Eaton was apprehended on November 24, 2006 by a State Trooper after a routine traffic stop on Highway 6 N between Cisco and Eastland. The Trooper detected an odor of alcohol on Eaton and began an investigation which resulted in the DWI arrest.

Eaton had been on bond for a driving while intoxicated arrest stemming from a stop on May 22, 2006 by a City of Cisco Police Officer at the intersection of Conrad Hilton and 8th Street in Cisco. He was awaiting trial in this case at the time of the arrest by the State Trooper.

Eaton had been previously been convicted two times for DWI, once in Nueces County and also in Tarrant County. The punishment range for a felony DWI normally is confinement for a period of 2-10 years but in this case the District Attorneys Office used a prior felony conviction to enhance the charge in order to increase the amount of time Eaton was to serve. Eaton had been convicted of Burglary of a Building in 1988 in Collin County, Texas.

The Honorable Judge Steven Herod of the 91st District Court sentenced Eaton to 20 years in the Texas Department of Criminal Justice - Institutional Division after Eaton entered a plea of guilty. The case was prosecuted by Criminal District Attorney Russ Thomason. Eaton was represented by defense attorney Landon Thompson of Cisco.

Three Gorman Men Plead Guilty

On May 29, 2008, three Gorman men, Zackery Barrett Fox, Aaron Scott Keith and Orlando Edwardo Valenzuela each entered a plea of guilt to the charge of Burglary of Habitation before Judge Steven Herod of the 91st Judicial District Court.

The charges stemmed from a burglary of an Eastland County residence outside the city of Gorman on or about December 17, 2007.

Judge Herod accepted their pleas of guilty and placed each one on deferred adjudication for a period of six years. As a part of their plea, each defendant received a fine of \$1,500, was ordered to pay restitution to the victims of \$2,200 and among the other terms and conditions of community supervision, was ordered to spend 10 consecutive days in the Eastland County Jail on or before December 1, 2008.

The Eastland County Sheriff's Office investigated the case with Criminal District Attorney Russ Thomason prosecuting. Defense Attorney Gary D. Peak of Eastland represented each of the men.

Desdemona Ladies Monthly Social will be held on Monday, June 9th at the Community Center School Building. Visitors are welcome to attend.

"Thank You" to all the Vendors that came to take their place with numerous items to sell - To the Concession Stand Workers that served Food and Drinks - To Others in our Community that helped in any way to make "Trade's Day" last Saturday a "Great Day" at the Desdemona Old School House. Even tho it was a very hot day, the crowd kept coming all day.

"Happy Birthday" to our grand-daughter, Kandice (Martin) Cogburn on June 4th and to our great grandson, Dylan Cogburn on June 6th from Granny Coon and Granke Guthery all of Desdemona.

Desdemona Homecoming and School Reunion will be held on Saturday, August 9th at the Old School House. This annual event is always held on the second Saturday of August. If any Ex-Student, Teachers and Friends have a change of address -- please contact this reporter at P. O. Box 187, Desdemona, TX 76445.

Lots of sickness at this time in our Community. Sue Pettigrew was in Temple on Tuesday for a check up. Joe Cummings had back surgery on Monday in Dallas Baylor Hospital. L. E. Singleton is taking weekly chemo treatments in Abilene. Remember these and others too with your cards and prayers.

Vonnie Guthery attended the Victor Cemetery Association Meeting last Saturday. This Annual Meeting is well attended each year. The Association has elected a good group of Trustees, Secretary and Treasurer. They have plans to carry on with the existing "By-Laws" and the way will conduct each business meeting in the proper way. Give them your support.

Ronda James and daughter, Emily of Whitney; Katie Duke of Stephenville; Brandon Ashley and friend Deidra of Midlothian visited the past weekend with Humpy and Betty Duke in Des-

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