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Tour of Peanut Country

11th Annual Bike Ride and Walk

The 11th Annual "Tour of the Peanut County" begins in the quaint downtown Gorman City Park on Saturday, July 17th. Pick one of four routes of your choice that will have you traveling through the scenic farming country of Eastland County. The scenery will generally be rolling hills and the curves along farm to market roads or shouldered state highways. The ride will start at 8 a.m. With no starts later than 9 a.m. The course will close at 2 p.m.

There will be frequent rest stops stocked with water, Gatoraid, snacks, fresh fruits and more. Sag Wagons will be available should you have any medical trouble or need medical assistance.

Anyone interested in registering may do so by online at peanutbikeride.com or phone 254-734-2859. Entry fees are listed online. Registration opens at 7 a.m. At the Start/Finish Line in the City Park. First 50 Pre-registered riders will receive a T-shirt along with other assorted goodies. Dry camping is available at the Start/Finish Line. Nearby De Leon and Eastland have motel and camping facilities.

The Event is sponsored by Texas Peanut Producer's Board, Dublin Dr. Pepper, Gorman ISD, Gorman Chamber of Commerce.

Kindergarten Visits The Post Office



Kindergarten students visited the Gorman Post Office to learn more about how the mail is delivered and what it takes to be a postal worker. The postmaster, Rodney Sharpe, showed the students all around the post office. He explained what all a letter goes through to get delivered to their box. He discussed the required education and skills needed for the job, and the kids even got to see him in action while he waited on his customers. They were excited about the visit and learned a great deal of information about being a postman. The students have been studying various careers and plan on visiting the City Grocery to learn about a Meat Butcher's job and Pizza Pro to see how a pizza is made. Maxfield Elementary would like to thank the community for the help and support given to our students.

All District Softball - 15-A

- MVP-** Kimber Koonsmann; Sophomore; Meridian
Offensive Player of the Year- Madison Berry; Sophomore; Goldthwaite
Co-Defensive Player of the Year- Tannah Malott; Junior; Meridian
Co-Defensive Player of the Year- Brittany Hill; Senior; Valley Mill
Newcomers of the Year- Megan Poston; Senior; Meridian
 Maggie Wright; Freshman; Evant
1st Team Pitcher- Abigail Jobe; Sophomore; Valley Mills
1ST Team Catcher- Linsey Sanders; Junior; DeLeon
 Shelby Head; Freshman; Goldthwaite
1st Team Infield-
 Kendell Bumpas; Freshman; Goldthwaite
 Kaylee KuyKendall; Meridian
Jaime Johnston; Gorman
 Alison Cox; Senior; Valley Mills
 Linzi Gray; DeLeon
1st Team Outfield- Tiffany Allen; Sophomore; Meridian
 Leeza Valdez; Freshman; Valley Mills
 R'Leigh McLearn; Junior; DeLeon
2nd Team Pitcher-
Jaylon Miley; Junior; Gorman
 Courtney Head; Senior; Goldthwaite
2nd Team Catcher- Cierra Newton; Junior; Evant
2nd Team Infield- MacKenzie Shelby; Senior; Meridian
 Taylor Townley; Junior; Meridian
 Carolyn Huncke; Senior; Evant
 Katelyn Bateman; Freshman; Valley Mills
2nd Team Outfield- Alex Hightower; Sophomore; Meridian
 Haley Hallmark; Meridian
 Kyler Carraway; DeLeon
All - District Academic -
Brittany Henderson; Gorman
 Jaylon Miley; Gorman
 Erica Limon; Gorman

If your family plans to participate in the 2011 Eastland County Livestock Show with a sale project, please notify Mr. Boles, Ag Science teacher, or Mr. Byrd Principal at Gorman ISD. The Gorman Livestock Raisers will begin fund raisers for the 2010-2011 year very soon.

SCHOOL MENU Week of May 24 thru May 28

BREAKFAST

- MONDAY - Cereal, Yogurt, Juice and Milk.
 TUESDAY - Breakfast Burrito, Fruit, Juice and Milk.
 WEDNESDAY - Chefs Choice.
 THURSDAY - Chefs Choice - Cafeteria Phone - 734-2521.
 FRIDAY - Chefs Choice - Cafeteria Phone - 734-2521.

LUNCH

- MONDAY - Spaghetti/Meat Sauce or ???, tossed salad, corn, bread stick, fruit and milk.
 TUESDAY - Chicken/rice or ???, Carrot coins, green beans, fruit, crackers and milk.
 WEDNESDAY - Chefs Choice - NO SALAD BAR - Cafeteria Phone - 734-2521.
 THURSDAY - Chefs Choice - NO SALAD BAR - Cafeteria Phone - 734-2521.
 FRIDAY - Chefs Choice - NO SALAD BAR - Cafeteria Phone - 734-2521.

Gorman High Baccalaureate Slated May 23rd

Senior Class of 2010

Baccalaureate

Sunday, May 23, 2010

7:30 P.M.

- Jarrett Keith Blankenship
 James Joe Brown
 Christopher Chance Bryant
 Benjamin Shawn Burgess
 Jonathan William Flores
 Kathryn Elizabeth Fritts
 Kelsi Nicole Gibson
 Alexis Giles
 Brittany Annette Henderson
 Laura Veronica Herrera
 John Tyler Johnson
 Skylar Ethan Jones
 Erica Patricia Limon
 Clifton Edward Lipson*
 Justin Alan Little
 Adriana Gudalupe Madera
 Perla Rubi Maldonado
 Praxedis Raygoza
 Eric Wesley Ryon
 Kimberly Brooke Seaton
 Cole Reece Underwood
 Brenda Rosario Velasquez
 Jose Antonio Velasquez

Precessional
Senior Class

Invocation
G. W. Maxfield
Retired Superintendent of Schools

Memories
Senior Class

Baccalaureate Sermon
Barry Schafin, Minister
First Baptist Church

Benediction
Allen Gibbs

Recessional
Senior Class

Closing
Jeff Byrd, Principal

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH - Gorman, TX



Baby and Child Dedication 2010 (23 babies and children in attendance)

2010 Senior
Mexican Supper
(14 Seniors
in attendance)



First Baptist Church

Presents

Strings Attached Chamber Music Recital

June 2 - 6:30 p.m.

218 W. Ross
Gorman, Tx

Featuring:

- Sondra Jones Brudnak, Violin
 Meghan Birmingham, Viola
 Vilma Piguero Miranda, Cello
 Scott Uhrig, Bass
 Laura Bowden, Mezzo-Soprano
 Esther Wang, Piano

One Hour Concert

Casual Dress

Reception To Follow

Eastland County Emmaus Community

The Eastland County Emmaus Community WILL NOT be meeting at their regular scheduled time this month. We are trying to hold our annual cookout and elections at this meeting, so may set the date back a week. We will be contacting our members by email later in the week, so if you are not receiving our emails, please contact me and I'll get you on our mailing list!

This is such a fun time for us that we just don't want to miss out on any part of it! If you need further information, or want to be added to our mailing list, please contact me at www.ecoemmaus@gmail.com

De Colores!

Memorial Day Fish Fry

hosted by

Disabled American Veterans
Henry \$. Spalding Chapter 43
at Vandyke, Texas on

Memorial Day, May 31st

Come and enjoy a plate of fried fish with all the trimmings including beans, potato salad, coleslaw, and hushpuppies
 Cost: \$5.00 per plate
 Schedule of Events:

11:00 a.m. - Flag Raising - Noon - Begin Serving

The Gorman Livestock Raisers

will be having a
Breakfast at the Gorman Community Center on Saturday May 22nd.
 Serving will begin at approximately

6:45 - 7:00 a.m.

Menu will consist of eggs, bacon, sausage, biscuits, gravy, pancakes, coffee and other drinks.

YOU CAN HELP THE YOUTH OF GORMAN
 The First United Methodist Church
 Is having a last chance Garage Sale
 To fund our Summer Youth Programs
 More Treasures have been added
 since our previous sale
 303 W. Roberts
 9:00 AM Sat. 22nd
 See you there!

Farm Service Agency Producer Meeting

The Eastland County Farm Service Agency will host a producer meeting on Wednesday, May 26, from 1:00 P.M. to 2:30 P.M. The meeting will be held in the meeting room next to the County Extension Agent's office on the main floor of the Eastland County courthouse.

John Bird, County Executive Director of the Eastland County Farm Service Agency, will discuss the 2010 County Committee Elections and the new Supplemental Revenue Assistance Program.

Paula Garland, NRCS Soil Conservationist, will discuss programs available to land owners and producers through the Natural Resource Conservation Service.

Ricky Young, FSA Farm Loan Manager, will discuss FSA farm loan updates. Heath Begeman, Eastland County Agri-life Extension Agent, will also be at the meeting to answer questions and give an update of his programs.

Please make plans to attend. For more information, contact John Bird at 254-629-1636 extension 102.

Obituaries

Opal Fay Snider

Opal Fay Snider, age 90 of Gorman, passed away Friday, May 14, 2010 at the Comanche County Medical Center.

Services were at 1:00 P.M. Tuesday, May 18, 2010 at the Higginbotham Funeral Home Chapel with Gil Ramirez officiating. Burial followed at Simpson Cemetery.

Mrs. Snider was born March 13, 1920 in Gorman to Frank Leach and Alice (Mangrum) Leach. She married S. L. Snider on March 19, 1936 in Eastland. He preceded her in death on March 3, 1989. She was a homemaker and a member of the Methodist Church. Mrs. Snider lived in Sundown before moving back to Gorman about 23 years ago.

She is survived by one daughter, Stella Fay Scott of Gorman; nine grandchildren, fifteen great grandchildren and one great-great-grandchild. She was preceded in death by her parents, two daughters, Margaret Lucille Wallger and Alice Mac Richardson; four brothers and three sisters.

Gloria Wade Wall

Gloria Wade Wall, age 66 of Burleson, passed away Tuesday, May 11, 2010 in a Fort Worth hospital.

Funeral services were at 2:00 P.M. Saturday, May 15, 2010 at the First Baptist Church in Gorman with Bro. Barry Schahn officiating. Burial was in Sand Hill Cemetery. Arrangements under the direction of Higginbotham Funeral Home.

Mrs. Wall was born November 12, 1943 in Gorman to Wade George Bingham and Mae Elizabeth (McCulley) Bingham. She married Earnest Wall on June 30, 1962 in McCamey, Texas. She was a homemaker and a member of the Baptist Church.

She is survived by her husband, Earnest Wall of Burleson; one son, Kevin Wall and wife, Jody of Kennedale; one daughter, Jamie Plaisted and husband, Mike of Burleson; mother, Elizabeth Bingham of Gorman; one sister, Terry Wedge and husband, Larry of Sachse; five grandsons, Brandon Wall, Nathan Wall, Andrew Wall, Michael Plaisted, Jr. and Daniel Plaisted; one great granddaughter, Grace Wall. She was preceded in death by her father, George Bingham.

Classifieds

YARD SALE: 1006 South Crescent St. (Duster Highway), Saturday - 7:30 p.m. until ?? Bowflex - Sleeper Sofa - Lots of Household Items. ITC

ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS: Homestead Nursing and Rehab of Gorman is taking applications for an evening Dining Room monitor. This position would be perfect for a retiree, college student or someone available a few hours in the evening. Please apply in person to Lynn Portef, Administrator. FNC.

ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS: EBAA Iron Inc. is now accepting applications for full-time experienced maintenance personnel for night shift (10:30pm-7 am). Background in hydraulics, pneumatics, and industrial electronics a plus. Applicant must be able to work in a challenging and fast paced environment. Benefits include base pay with incentive, 401K, credit union, medical, dental, vision and life insurance. Apply in person at the Eastland plant on Tuesdays, 8:00am till 10:00am located on CR442, or send resume, by e-mail to kaelj@ebaa.com or mailing to: EBAA Iron Inc. P.O. Box 877 - Eastland, Texas 76448. 3-5-27 C.

IMMEDIATE OPENING: Home-stead Nursing & Rehabilitation of Gorman has an opening for Weekend R.N.. For additional information, contact the facility at 254-734-2202. EEOC FNC

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Letter To The Editor

From Henry A. Buchanan

Texas Governor Rick Perry says the big oil spill in the Gulf of Mexico is "an act of God." That statement is poor politics and worse theology.

Mixing the two is like oil in the water because one is an attempt to evade responsibility and the other tries to place man's responsibility onto God's shoulders.

The oil spill is because we made a mistake in our attempt to tap the riches God hid under the waters of the Gulf.

And our desperate need for the oil arises out of the wasteful use of the riches hidden in this gift of God to man. Instead of conserving the oil supply and using it wisely to feed and clothe a hungry, naked world, we are using it to destroy the lives of men through warfare and the exaltation of our power.

Stop trying to cover the oil spill, Governor, with legalese, and save the people and the animals the spilled oil is smothering in the waters and on the shores.

(s) Henry A. Buchanan
1131 N. Kent St.
Gorman, Texas 76454
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9 May 2010

Neugebauer Announces Launch Of "YouCut" Project

WASHINGTON, D.C. - As a member of the House Republican Economic Recovery Working Group, Rep. Randy Neugebauer (R-TX) issued the following statement after the Working Group launched YouCut, a first-of-its kind initiative designed to change the culture of spending in Washington to a culture of savings.

"Washington has a spending problem and can no longer afford to delay the tough choices that need to be made to return America to its rightful place as the world's unquestioned economic leader.

"The choices that we make today will directly determine the type of America our children and grandchildren will inherit tomorrow. The question is whether we leave them with greater opportunity or greater debt as they scramble to pay the bills we left behind. While we won't be able to tackle the debt problem in one swoop, we must begin to address the root of the problem: a culture of spending in Washington.

"That's why we are launching YouCut. Beginning today, people from the 19th District and around the country can vote - both online and on their cell phone - on spending cuts they would like to see the House of Representatives enact. House Republicans will then offer an up-or-down vote on bringing up the spending cut that receives the most public support. The people of West Texas and the Big Country will have direct input on what spending they think the federal government and the taxpayers can do without.

"Each and every day, families in the 19th District are forced to make tough decisions - cutting back on things they realize they can no longer afford. Why should the federal government act any differently?"

TWO FAMILY GARAGE SALE: 518 N. Kent - Saturday, May 22 - Clothing - Girls and Boys - Adult Sizes - Curtains and Rods - Candles - Stereo - King Size Comforter and Lots More. ITC

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1,260 A, hills, mesas, wildlife, RV hookups, creek, tanks, much more [FE01] \$2,396/acre
685 ± A, irrigation, pumps, cabin, barn, tanks, rural water supply [CE01] \$3,500/acre
REDUCED 455 A, rolling hills, 150' elev. chg., costal, creek, hunt [RS01] \$3,000 \$2,950/acre
210 A, 2-1 home, 2 car garage, wells & tanks, cross fenced, coastal [WWS01] \$619,500
102 A, water well, costal, corrals, hunting, minerals, possible owner finance [JB04] \$252,450
SOLD 400 A, water well, 3 tanks, minerals available [RS04] \$240,000
REDUCED 81 A Pecan orchard, 900± trees, possible owner finance [REM01] \$405,000 \$300,000
SOLD 80 A, with 6 water wells - seasonal creek, stock tanks, hunting [GB03] \$180,000
69 A, water well, 3 stock tanks, oak & pecan trees, corrals, costal, hunting [JO01] \$221,900
45 A, close to town, stock tank, oak trees, costal, rural water available [SH03] \$149,500
24 A, new water well and septic system, coastal, and hunting [HS01] \$75,000
18 A, water well, stock tank, rural water available, wildlife cover, hunting [AB03] \$64,500
7-4 Brick Home, 2.31 A, 2 fireplaces, CH&A, tile floors, office, Jacuzzi [FN02] \$220,000
REDUCED 4-2 Brick Home, 2 fireplaces, CH&A, 2 car garage [JH01] \$159,900 \$89,000
5 A, 4-2 Brick Home, metal roof, carport, pecan trees, wells & tank, fenced [WK01] \$90,000
3-2 Brick Home, attached garage, large shaded lot, fenced, patio, CH&A [FW03] \$69,500
UNDER CONTRACT 3-1 Frame Home, carport, shaded lot, strg. bldg. [DS03] \$39,500 \$36,500
UNDER CONTRACT 3-2 Brick home, 2 car garage, large lot, CH&A, fenced [JG02] \$95,900
2-2 Frame home, 1 car garage, carport, large lot, fenced yard [KS01] \$55,000
2-2 Brick home, 2 car garage, 2.99 A, CH&A, fireplace, 20x30 side bldg [DDM01] \$195,000
2-1 Frame Home, carport, large lot with garden, well, large pecan trees [DH02] \$29,500
REDUCED 2-1 Frame Home, 2.3 A, screened porch, water well [GB02] \$55,000 \$45,000

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AN ORDINANCE REGARDING THE REGULATION OF UNINHABITABLE AND DANGEROUS BUILDINGS WITHIN THE CITY OF GORMAN, TEXAS; DESIGNATING A CODE COMPLIANCE OFFICER; PROVIDING FOR NOTICE OF VIOLATIONS OF THIS ORDINANCE; POSTING OF PLACARDS ON UNINHABITABLE AND DANGEROUS BUILDINGS; DEFINING AN UNINHABITABLE AND DANGEROUS BUILDING; PROVIDING FOR THE DEMOLITION OF UNINHABITABLE AND DANGEROUS BUILDINGS; PROVIDING FOR THE ASSESSMENT OF THE COSTS OF DEMOLITION WORK AS A LIEN AGAINST THE PROPERTY; ADOPTING THE PROVISIONS OF TEXAS LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE CHAPTER 54; CREATING A BUILDING AND STANDARDS COMMISSION; PROVIDING A PENALTY; PROVIDING A SAVINGS CLAUSE; PROVIDING FOR THE REPEAL OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HERewith; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.
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NEW - 14.12a Lake Proctor, secluded, join lake property, elec., well, wooded, lot wildlife. \$67,070.00

S/E Gorman: 45 A, sandy land, few Pecan trees, 7 water wells, irrigation reservoir, close to pavement. \$2,500/acre

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

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

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

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.

179 A. south of Gorman: Part wooded, part old fields, deer & hogs, 2 nice ponds, sandy soil, elec., water well, metal building. \$2,350.00 acre.

SELLERS SAYS MAKE OFFER!!

NEW: 205A Proctor, 65A Irrigated Coastal, pivot, 3 wells, ponds, steel corrals, app. 125A mostly wooded, lots wildlife, 100' elevated rise, see for miles. \$2,900 acre.

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We would like to thank everyone who came and helped us make our Open House a huge success. The weather was great and everyone enjoyed the delicious food and fellowship and the great outdoors. Thanks again

Visiting with Dorothy Beaty were Juanita Spence and Nita Jane Cardinal of Little Elm and Joe and Amy Beaty and their new son Adam.

Leonora Speers of Ranger came and spent the day with her dad, Jud Thompson, on his birthday. Jud's birthday just happen to fall on the day of our Open House.

Kenny Welch came and took Edgar Reynolds out for a day on the town.

Visiting Marie Cook were Mr. and Mrs. Weldon Cook of Lamesa, and Donald and Faye Cook of the New Hope community and Dale and Bess Curb.

Faye Huff and Frank Crews visited Christine Crews. Ewelene Hammon of DeLeon visited Claudie Shelton.

Visiting Christine Self were Briley Carlton, Billy Self, Samatha Krauss, Cecilia Hirst, and Bess Curb.

We appreciate Norma and Oren Webb and Daisy Slaton for leading us in our gospel singing on Monday afternoon they did a great job.

Bingo winners on Monday were: Faye Johnson, Ima Boles, Robin Taylor, Wes Couch and Christine Crews was our blackout winner.

The staff and residents extend our deepest sympathy to the family of Opal Snider. Opal was only with us here at Homestead for a short time, but she will be greatly missed. Have a good week.



Happenings At FBC!!

Dig! Use your mind to search for greater understanding of God's Word. You are certain to find a treasure, and the deeper you dig the closer you grow to Jesus.

Mark your calendars:

WEDNESDAYS: 6:00pm Mission Friends / 6:30pm Youth. Bring your friends!

May 23rd - 7:30pm - Baccalaureate.

June 2nd - 6:30pm - Belles and Bowes Concert - Featuring Sondra Brudnak & friends. *Sign Up to Help with VBS (June 7 thru June 11) - You'll be blessed!!!

Recognition of Graduating Seniors: Liz's love for the Youth is evident to all of us. Liz shared how grateful she is to answer God's call for her in Youth Ministry. She told of learning from this year's Seniors, and the traits of our Lord in each of them: Tyler is always nice & polite, Cole will help anyone in need, Eric speaks volumes without uttering a word, Alex is always cool & calm, Kimi is dedicated, and Justin is a natural born leader. It's a privilege to know each of these young people.

Children's Sermon: Liz goes to Shane's Granny Ina's house and always finds a puzzle on the table to put together. Puzzle pieces are all different sizes, shapes, and colors. Puzzles pieces by themselves don't make anything, but they fit together to make a picture. People are also all different sizes, shapes, and colors; and together they make a pretty congregation. People fit together to become one in Jesus and showing the love of God to others.

FBC Praise Band: Music that is heard from our awesome Praise Band, "Holy Is the Lord" and "Holy Ground", is felt to prepare our hearts for God's Holy Message.

Bro. Barry's Message: "Happy 'G' Day" - John 9:4 - Today's kids will be tomorrow's adults! We thank the Adults that make up the Praise Band who perform to worship the Lord and for more occasions than Church, Shanda & her staff at Panda's that works so hard at the florist to make funerals and other occasions so beautiful, David Gibbs that works diligently to keep the Lord's House a clean place to worship and meet together, and all the Ladies that cook and work so hard to make every funeral dinner a success. Work is limited to your lifetime. Instill work in the next generation.

The Challenges:

1) Be Personally Accountable. - You cannot escape problems. Believe it or not, even after completing your high school education there is more to learn. Make your own decisions and stop blaming your parents. Get it right, and live with it.

2) Make the Right Friends. - Each person is a unique individual; make a quick distinction of good friends and bad people. Seek God and pursue God's work to make good friends. Making a wrong distinction could cost your life. Exposure to new people could mean new friends. Ask yourself if you really know your friends. You don't have to stay friends with a person if they change. Don't live to create regrets.

3) Be True to What God Wants You to Be. - Live your Christianity and don't change, keep your relationship with Jesus in the center of your life.

We see in the eyes of our 2010 Seniors that they are Americans and they represent the Lord Jesus Christ. Seeking God first means you never walk alone! God bless our Graduating High School Seniors and may their pursuits as adults lead them back to Jesus.

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

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

USDA Announces Assistance Program for Orchardists and Nursery Tree Growers

Agriculture Secretary Tom Vilsack today said that orchardists and nursery tree growers can begin applying for benefits under the Tree Assistance Program, which was authorized in the 2008 Farm Bill. Signup begins Monday, May 10, 2010, at local Farm Service Agency (FSA) offices.

"This program helps our orchardists and nursery tree growers replant and get back on their feet after natural disasters," said Vilsack.

The Tree Assistance Program (TAP) provides help to orchardists and nursery tree growers who produce trees, bushes and vines for commercial purposes, to replant or rehabilitate trees, bushes and vines damaged or destroyed by natural disasters. The 2008 Farm Bill expanded eligibility to include Christmas tree and nursery tree growers that were ineligible under prior legislation. Trees grown for pulp or timber or not grown for commercial purposes are not eligible.

To be eligible for TAP, producers must have suffered more than a 15 percent death loss due to the natural disaster after adjustment for normal mortality. TAP is a cost-reimbursement program, with payments covering up to 70 percent of replant costs and 50 percent of pruning, removal and other salvaging costs for replacing or salvaging damaged trees.

Producers can receive assistance for up to 500 acres of trees, bushes or vines. Producers must also have purchased a policy or plan of insurance under the Federal Crop Insurance Act or Noninsured Crop Disaster Assistance Program, or for 2008, obtained a waiver of the risk management purchase requirement through the buy-in provision. Eligible losses must have occurred on or after Jan. 1, 2008, and before Oct. 1, 2011.

For more information on the new TAP program, please contact your county FSA office or the website at <http://www.fsa.usda.gov/tap>

2010 Summer Baseball Camp

DATE: June 1st - 4th (Tuesday - Friday)
 TIME: 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
 PLACE: De Leon High School Baseball Park
 AGES: 6 Years Old - 8th Grade (BOYS)
 COST: \$40.00
 REGISTRATION: Please bring money and application from 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, June 1st, the first day of camp.
 ACTIVITIES: Camp will cover all phases of baseball with individual instruction. We will also have skill competitions in each age group.
 AWARDS: Each player will receive a camp t-shirt. There will also be awards for the skill competitions in each age group and other awards. Awards will be given out on Friday from 11:00-12:00. We will be serving holdovers to the campers following awards.
Camp open to all area baseball players.

If you have any questions, call Coach Billy Fox @ 254-893-5076.

Registration Form

Name: _____
 Address: _____
 City: _____ Zip: _____
 Phone: hm _____ cell: _____
 Age: _____ Check: # _____ Amount: _____
 Circle t-shirt size: Youth or Adult S M L XL XXL

Parental Release and Agreement

Upon acceptance of this application, my minor child (_____) will be eligible for participation in the De Leon Bearcat Baseball Camp. I agree to release all De Leon ISD employees and any staff from all claims on account of injuries which may be sustained by my minor child while attending camp.

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"On The Wilder Side"

Early this week, I pulled into the church's parking lot. The sky was becoming cloudy and the air was so humid that it was difficult to breathe. It was very obvious that a storm was on its way. What did I do when I got out of my truck? I left the windows down. I'm not sure why I did this other than the false hope that the rain would simply pass over us. If not pass over the city, at least pass over the church's parking lot. Later in the morning, I walked past the window and noticed the clouds were growing darker. The wind gusts were violently scattering leaves as trees swayed back and forth. I also heard someone on the radio telling me that I was in the path of a severe thunderstorm. I knew I had one of two choices. I could either ignore the evident signs of an immediate storm or I could swallow my pride and admit that the rain was not, in fact, going to pass over the church's parking lot. One decision would cause my truck's seats and interior to become soaking wet, not to mention the fact that I would become drenched as I ran out to my truck in a futile attempt to roll up my windows. The latter decision, followed with logic, would lead me to take a leisure and dry stroll out to roll up my windows before the rain came. Thankfully, I chose the latter and none of the rain got on me or in my truck. Why was I waiting?

I knew the rain would come, yet I hesitated. I'm reminded of a story Jesus told in Luke 16 about a beggar named Lazarus and a rich man. The rich man and his brothers had heard Moses and the prophets but refused to listen to their warnings. They, in turn, had to suffer the consequences of not taking heed. We too have scripture to follow and a Savior to obey. Christ will return and we will be judged by our obedience... we know the storm is coming. Are you waiting for the last minute to get your earthly affairs in order? You never know, Christ could return as soon as you finish reading this. What are you waiting for?

Jason Wilder, Gorman Church of Christ

Super Notes

By David Perry - Superintendent - Gorman ISD

Rain, rain, rain! We need every drop. I hope all this rain has helped Lake Leon. It seems like most of the ponds and tanks are over flowing, but Lake Leon is still down several feet. It has to rain in just the right spot to feed the lake. Well, time is going by at such a rapid pace that graduation will be a thing of the past in less than two weeks. Baccalaureate will be this Sunday in the auditorium at 7:30pm. Seating is limited so come early. The address will be by Pastor Barry Schahn.

We want to thank First Baptist Church of Gorman for hosting an enchilada dinner for our Seniors last week. The Principal and I usually attend with our wives, but unfortunately we had our regularly scheduled board meeting on the same night. I understand it was well attended and the food, as always, was great!

The Athletic Banquet last Thursday was a great success. It was held in the new gymnasium. Having air conditioning certainly makes a difference. The meal was catered by Cooks. I was very impressed at how smoothly everything went and I appreciate all of you that attended in support of our kids. They worked very hard this year.

Sunday was the Spring Concert in the auditorium. Mr. Howard has improved the quality of music being played by our students every year. They sounded great! Please, if your child has not been in band, encourage them to be in band next year. If your child is in band, encourage them to stay in band. Playing football is not an excuse not to be in band! Music is a gift you can enjoy your entire life.

It seems as though someone is going on a field trip every day. Unfortunately, this poses a problem for the secondary teachers trying to prepare their students for final exams. Please be sure your child is keeping up with their studies, is well rested, and nourished. This will help them do their best these last days of school.

We have received an update on the Lone Star State Scholars at the elementary campus. The following students are nominees for the honor: Rees Byrd, Reece Scitern, Jennifer Cruz, Justice Fischer, Carrissa Cole, Kayce Dodd, Izael Herrera, Talee Jones, Dylan Walton, Samuel Rainey, Mayra Ramirez, Sydney Casey, Bradi Campbell, Ella Segura, Lauren Underwood, Jennifer Valdez, Brandon Hogan, Bryce Petree, and Jesenia Rodriguez. This is quite an honor and we are proud of these students for their accomplishments.

The campuses all accumulate items in the lost and found throughout the year, but mostly at the elementary. Next week, the elementary is going to spread the items out in the gym for parents to look at and possibly locate some of their children's clothing. If you've been missing a jacket, coat, backpack, etc., this will be your opportunity to possibly recover the lost item.

Also, any medications your child may have in the office of any campus needs to be picked up by May 28th. These have to be picked up by an adult. They will not be sent home with students.

Field Day is Friday, May 21st. We would like to invite all parents to come and watch the activities. It has always been a day enjoyed by the students. Please remember to put sun-screen on your child as they will be out quite a bit that day.

We will have early release on Thursday, May 27th and Friday, May 28th; buses will run at 12:30.

Thursday, May 27th we will have an End of Year Awards Ceremony for Perfect Attendance, A Honor Roll, and A-B Honor Roll starting at 9:00 in the auditorium. Immediately afterwards we will pass out the Accelerated Reading gift cards to the winners. And then, Field Day Awards will be presented.

Friday, May 28th we will have a slide show of Maxfield Elementary activities that occurred during the year in the auditorium. This will start at 9:00am and afterwards Pre-Kindergarten Graduation will take place.

Middle School Graduation is Thursday, May 27th in the Auditorium at 7:30pm. High School Graduation is Friday, May 28th at 7:30PM in the High School Gymnasium.

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!

Desdemona News

By Vonnie Guthery

Desdemona Monthly Musical will be held on Saturday, May 22 at the Community Center. The Concession Stand will open at 5:30 p.m. Serving sandwiches, homemade pie and drinks. Come early to enjoy supper with all the group before the music program begins at 6:00 p.m. All area musicians, singers and visitors are invited to attend. There will be Country and Western Music with some gospel and Bluegrass included. This is a "Smoke Free" environment and the admission is "FREE".

Ronda James of Whitney went with her mother, Betty Duke to Abilene on Monday. Betty had an appointment with a Specialist for her eyes.

Jackie Lou Whitlock of De Leon had a heart attack. She is slowly recovering from heart surgery. Jackie is a former resident of Desdemona where she attended school.

Weekend visitors with Humpy and Betty Duke were Rodney Duke of Pantego; Elise and Katie Duke of Early; John, Ronda and Emily James of Whitney.

Friends of Desdemona send their sincere sympathy to the family of Patsy (Rushing) January of Frisco. Survivors include her husband, Don January and their family. Preceded in death by her parents, Delores and Dorthea. The Rushing family are former residents of Desdemona where their three daughters attended school. Herman owned a Service Station in Desdemona during the early 40's.

Robert and Ima Brown visited recently in Amarillo with his sister, Marge Johnson. She is having some health problems at this time. Marge graduated from Desdemona with the Class of 1942.

First Baptist Church of Desdemona had average attendance last Sunday. Alan Sadberry of De Leon was the guest speaker for the morning service. Visitors are invited to come and share God's word on Sundays at 11 a.m.

Thought for Today -- "GIVING ADDS JOY TO LIVING." So have that joy by giving some of your spare time to remember the sick and shut-ins of our Community with your cards and prayers. Also visit those in our local rest homes, as they welcome a big hug, a smile and a hand shake. You will be blessed in this service more ways than one.

Have a great day, Vonnie

Senior Citizens News

By Carol Ward

Sure was great to have 28 people out for lunch on the 12th of May. Maybe we can continue to have good turnouts. James Miears arrived just in time to give the blessing for us all. Always good to have him with us.

We hadn't seen Betty Frazier and Jackie Burns in awhile, so good to have them back. Also Martha Harrington surprised us with a visit. Hope we see more of this good lady. Enjoy talking with her. Also we had Deborah Jackson and Sandy Warren with us. Sandy made some good cookies for us, delicious, she can cook. Sandy, now that you are retired you can come every week. We enjoy your company and cooking.

We were saddened to hear Wilburn Overstreet had a bad fall. He cut his head, needed stiches and bruised his body. His son Gary has been here to help him recover. Miss him terribly when not here. He does liven us with stories and his smile.

Now - Lonnie - We are going to get this paragraph correct. You left out a whole sentence! I'm writing about Henry and Anne Buchanan's trip to Georgia, a talk he gave was left out. They went to Albany, GA., for a speaking engagement, then on to Shellman Baptist Church for a short talk. He started his career as a pastor there, so was good to visit old places. They also visited with Anne's sister, Betty, who lives in Georgetown, GA. Anne said they viewed many beautiful flowers on the Interstate. I guess we traveled a different time, no wild flowers, just pine trees.

Our meal was good with Chicken Lasagna, a casserole, cabbage, corn, sweet potatoes, green beans, greens, potatoes, green salad and pinto beans with Chili. Beth Shirley prepared some good deviled eggs. I believe she will make more in the future. We have missed them. Also Betty Regian's good rolls and cornbread. There was 1 cake, Jello with fruit and pink dessert of Cool Whip and fruit. Also cookies and a peach dessert.

Billie Bennett says it just doesn't seem right not taking a lunch to Annie Fay Foster on Wednesday anymore. She misses this and their visits. She was sure good to do this over the last years. We all loved and missed this dear woman.

I want to thank all who help in the Kitchen and cleaning tables. Especially the dishwashers and Jerry Underwood for keeping us in order. We just don't need so many in the Kitchen, as we get in each others way.

Hope all is well and see you soon, Carol.

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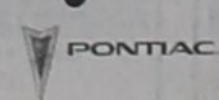
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