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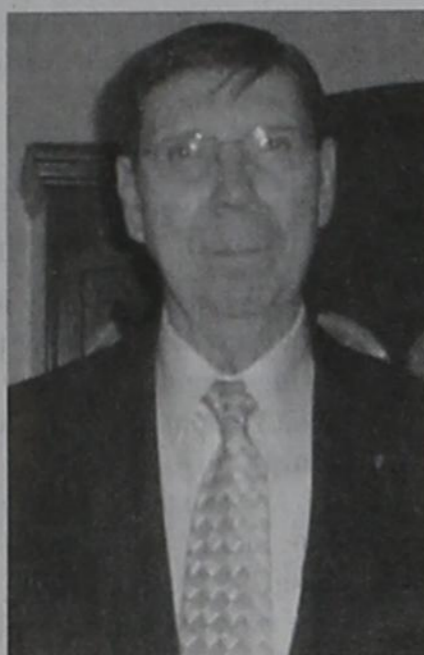
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Cecil Funderburgh Announces For Eastland Co. Clerk Position

Hi! My name is Cecil Funderburgh, and I am running for election to the office of County Clerk of Eastland County. I'd like to take just a few moments of your time to tell you about myself and why I want to be your County Clerk.



I was born in 1940 at the old Blackwell Hospital in Gorman. My Father and my Grandfather both worked for Texas Electric Service Company in De Leon and Eastland, and I guess I inherited some of their love for electricity, because for many years, I owned and operated my own radio and television repair shop in Gorman. I served four years in the United States Air Force working with electronic navigation systems.

I am very happily married to the former Patty Pryor Shannon, and I feel so blessed that God sent her my way! Together, we have six children and ten grand-children, and three great-grand-children! Needless to say, family is a very high priority in my life!

I love working with people! When I retire from the City, I want to continue my career of public service, and what better way than to serve as County Clerk of Eastland County, where I will come into contact with people every minute of every day, working closely with the County Court. Those of you who know me know that I am dedicated to service. Those of you that don't know me, I want the opportunity to show you my level of devotion. I consider myself a person of very high integrity, morals, and character.

I've always had a desire to work in an occupation where I could help others, so I entered the field of law enforcement in 1979 as a patrol officer for the City of Gorman. I served the citizens of Gorman for eleven years, ten as their Chief of Police, before I moved to Eastland and was appointed Chief of Police for Eastland Police Department in 1990. I taught traffic law, DWI, and accident investigation at the Regional Law Enforcement Academy from 1983 until 2004. I also serve as Emergency Management Coordinator and Floodplain Administrator for the City of Eastland. I am currently in my 20th year of service to the citizens of Eastland, and I am looking forward to many more years of service to Eastland County.

I have served on the Eastland County Child Welfare Board, the Board of Directors of Eastland County Crisis Center, Eastland County Crime Stoppers, the Eastland County Dispatch Advisory Board, and the Criminal Justice Advisory Committee and Homeland Security Committee for West Central Texas Council of Governments. I served as president of the Eastland County Law Enforcement Association, vice-president of the Eastland County Peace Officers Association, and served for several years on the Gorman Volunteer Fire Department.

In 1984, I was honored as Law Enforcement Officer of the Year by the Eastland County Newspapers, received the Community Service Award from the City of Gorman in 1990, and Eastland Kiwanis Club Law Enforcement Officer of the Year in 1993. Also in 1993, I received the Employee of the Year award from the City of Eastland. I was honored as Rotarian of the Year in 1995, received the Community Service Award from the City of Eastland in 2000, and received the Public Safety Excellence Award from the Eastland Chamber of Commerce in 2004.

In 1994, I applied for and was awarded a grant from the U.S. Department of Justice, Community Oriented Policing Services division to help start the Eastland County Crisis Center to provide services to victims of family violence. That organization has grown and evolved into the Crime Victims Assistance Center and the Child Advocacy Center in Eastland, providing services to children and victims of sexual assault and family violence. I started the "Light Up Our Kids" program in 1991, the Bicycle Safety Program in 1994, and the Eastland Citizens Police Academy in 1995.

I mention these accomplishments to illustrate my passion for innovation and positive change. Our world is a great place, and with just a little effort, we can make it better. I think that my background in public service as administrator of two law enforcement agencies and my record of professional integrity make me well-suited and qualified to serve as your County Clerk.

During my 30+ years of service to the public, I have never forgotten that I work for YOU... the taxpayers. My record of fairness and impartiality will be continued in my new capacity as your County Clerk, if I am elected. I expect the County Clerk's office, under my guidance, to be a professional, efficient, and customer-friendly place. I firmly believe that an elected official should be much more than just an employee, and I would expect no less from my staff!

I am asking for your vote, your influence, and your support in the Republican primary election on March 2, 2010.

Thank you!
Cecil Funderburgh
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MARCH 2, 2010 PRIMARY ELECTION INFORMATION

Voters may begin calling Cathy Jentho, County Clerk now to see if they are eligible to vote by the mail procedure. 254-629-1583.

February 1, 2010 is the last day to register to vote
February 16-26, 2010 County Courthouse 8:00 AM-5:00 PM period for Early Voting*

*February 20, 2010 7:00 AM-3:00 PM Saturday extended voting hours at County Courthouse

Eastland Livestock Show Results

Will Be In Next Weeks Issue

RELIEF FOR HAITI

RELIEF FOR HAITI...So much tragedy-give them hope! God is our refuge and strength, an ever-present help in trouble. Therefore we will not fear, though the earth give way and the mountains fall into the heart of the sea. Psalm 46:1-2 (NIV)

In these times of trouble we cling to our God who gives us both safety and strength for the days ahead. We come together to create safe spaces for those who mourn deep losses, encourage one another and gather strength for a new day.

United Methodist Response Begins Tragedy struck the already-beleaguered nation of Haiti on January 12. The magnitude-7 earthquake effectively flattened the capital city of Port-au-Prince, affecting an estimated 3 million people and killing untold tens of thousands.

The United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR) is already responding. "UMCOR has always had a strong presence in Haiti," UMCOR executive Tom Hazelwood said. "With this tragedy, we'll just be redoubling our efforts, and we'll be calling on people across the country to help us." Give generously. Give prayerfully. Give with hope for a new day. Give Generously Give through your local United Methodist Church. Checks should note UMCOR Haiti Emergency in the memo line.

Local church treasurers can send gifts to the conference, noting Haiti Emergency, UMCOR Advance #418325. You can make a gift online at www.umc.org/haiti. 100% your gift to the Haiti Emergency will go to help the people of Haiti.

Basketball Scores

Gorman Panthers 55 Evant 37

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Gorman : BJ Ramirez 17, Alex Giles 13, Ben Burgess 12, Sergio Hipolito 2, AJ Vaughn 4, Matt Fox 7

Evant: Newton 12, Chafin 2, Gandy 5, Hall 10, Straley 4, Yochal 4

Records: Gorman 6-9, 1-0 Evant 1-14, 0-2
District Standings: De Leon 2-0 - Goldthwaite 2-0 - Gorman 1-0 - Meridian 0-2 - Evant 0-2.

Gorman Junior High Boys Basketball Scores

7th Grade	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Total
Gorman	2	6	6	2	16
Deleon	3	12	9	18	44

Leading scorer: Yovani Palacios with 10 points, Daniel Herrera with 4 points, and Zac Ryon with 2 points

8th Grade	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Total
Gorman	2	1	3	0	6
Deleon	13	11	7	12	43

Leading scorer: Eric Velasquez with 2 points, Zach Carlton with 2 points, Dakota Pacheco with 1 point, and Sheldon Fenley with 1 point.

Gordon Junior High Basketball Tournament

8th Grade	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Total
Gorman	22	10	3	14	49
Gordon	7	10	6	12	37

Leading scores: Dakota Pacheco with 21 points, Zach Carlton with 20 points, Fabian Garcia with 4 points, Tyler Patel with 2 points, and Trey Howard with 2 points.

8th Grade	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Total
Gorman	12	15	10	4	41
Strawn	7	5	2	15	29

Leading scorer: Zach Carlton with 16 points, Dakota Pacheco with 11 points, Eric Velasquez with 6 points, Tyler Patel with 3 points, Fabian Garcia with 2 points, and Kevin Massingill with 2 points.

Eastland County Emmaus Community

The Eastland County Emmaus Community will meet on Saturday, January 23rd at the Leon River Cowboy Church in Olden, Texas. We will start our meeting with a Pot Luck Supper at 6:00 PM and follow our meal with a Worship Service. We have not needed childcare during our past meetings, however, if you need someone to watch your children during our worship service, please contact us at the email address below, giving us a few days before our service date. Our Gathering is open to anyone in Eastland County and surrounding areas that have been on the Walk to Emmaus. We do have a good time in the house of the Lord!

If you would like more information concerning our group, the Walk to Emmaus or to be included on our email listing, please contact us at www.ecoem-kaus@gmail.com.

Carbon Community Center News

The Carbon 5th Saturday Musical will be held this coming January 30th at the Carbon Community Center. Music and dinner will be offered for \$5 beginning at 5:30pm. On the menu will be soups, stews, cornbread and desserts, with coffee, tea and water available. Musicians and singers are requested to contact Brenda or TJ Cummings at 254-488-0677 in order to be scheduled. The next Musical will be held May 29th.

Judge Ronald (Ronnie) White Announces For Re-Election

Judge Ronald (Ronnie) White Announces for re-election for Justice of the Peace, Precinct 1, Eastland County, Texas.

It's time for the 2010 elections! And, yes, I am, once again, asking for your vote and support to re-elect me as your Justice of the Peace, Precinct 1 of Eastland County. I have enjoyed serving the people of Eastland County during this last term and want to express my appreciation to you for electing me and allowing me this privilege.

For those of you who do not know me, I am Judge Ronald (Ronnie) White. My wife, Pam and I and our children moved to Eastland County in 1972 while I was serving as a DPS Trooper. Our children Robin and Russell attended school in the Eastland School District from kindergarten through high school and two of our ten grandchildren have done the same. Our daughter, Robin, and husband, Steve Hayes, have five children, and they own and operate an oil and gas business here in Eastland County. Our son, Russell, and wife, Antionette, have five children and own and operate a trucking company in Midlothian, Texas.

Pam and I have been married 47 years and are members of the River of Life Church here in Eastland. During the 38 years we have lived in Eastland County we have been members of the 4-H Club, Eastland Rifle and Pistol Club, Bass Club, Eastland Volunteer Fire Department, the Eastland J C's, and helped found the Westbound Water Supply Corp.

My qualifications for the office of Justice of the Peace, Precinct 1, of Eastland County are as follows:

- Over 45 hours of college education in Criminal Justice, Penal Code, Traffic Law and Constitutional Law.
- Over 1200 Continuing Education Units in law enforcement and a Master Peace Officer's certificate.
- Twice appointed Sheriff and twice elected Sheriff of Eastland County.
- Over 150 hours in Court Room Law and Court Procedure.
- Current Justice of the Peace for 3 years.

Many of you know me and I will do my best to meet and get to know those of you who are not acquainted with me. I would like to take this opportunity, once again, to ask for your vote and support for my re-election as Justice of the Peace Prec.1, Eastland County in the March 2nd primary. In return, I promise to make sound decisions based on the laws of the State of Texas.

Judge Ronald (Ronnie) White
Candidate for Re-Election for
Justice of the Peace Prec.1
Eastland County

Spaghetti Supper

Public Invited To Attend

VFW Post 4136 - Eastland
Friday, January 29, 2010
Delicious Spaghetti Supper
All You Can Eat -- \$5.00 A Plate
Serve Time is from 4 to 6:30 p.m.

SCHOOL MENU Week of Jan.25 thru Jan. 29

BREAKFAST
MONDAY - Cereal, Biscuit, Juice and Milk.
TUESDAY - Pancake, On a Stick, Fruit, Juice and Milk.
WEDNESDAY - Oatmeal, Toast, Juice and Milk.
THURSDAY - French Toast, Fruit, Juice and Milk.
FRIDAY - Bacon, Eggs, Biscuits, Juice and Milk.

LUNCH
MONDAY - Vegetable Beef Soup, Grilled Cheese, pickle spears, fresh carrots, oranges, crackers, chips and milk.
TUESDAY - Steak Fingers, cream potatoes, green beans, roll, Strawberry cake, and Milk.
WEDNESDAY - Chicken Rings, scalloped potatoes, green beans, Sparkle apples, biscuit and Milk.
THURSDAY - Mini Corn Dog, potato wedge, pinto beans, cornbread, pumpkin pie and milk.
FRIDAY - Steak burger, lettuce, tomato, pickle spears, potato rounds, ice cream and milk.

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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.

SANDRA CAGLE WILL BE IN GORMAN AT THE CITY OFFICE TO RENEW AUTO LICENSE PLATES. HER NEXT VISIT IS WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 20 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.
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Boy Scouts
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Mondays - 6:00 p.m.
Methodist Church

Obituary

Rowena Lucile Wilson

Rowena Lucile Wilson, age 86 of Gorman passed away on Monday, January 18, 2010 at the Homestead Nursing Home in Gorman.

Services were held at 2 p.m. Wednesday at the Higginbotham Funeral Home Chapel with Richard Watson officiating. Burial will follow at Gorman Cemetery.

Mrs. Wilson was born January 1, 1924 in South English, Iowa to Clarence Sheets and Lucile Mullencamp Sheets. She graduated from Iowa State University with a bachelor's degree and later got her masters degree at Southwestern University in Georgetown. She married Luther Ross Wilson on December 23, 1949 in Gorman.

Mrs. Wilson taught at Daniel Baker College in Brownwood for two years. She then started teaching in the Gorman Schools and taught there for 41 years. She was very proud for her UIL students and the many state contests they attended. She was a 53 years member of the Gorman United Methodist Church and a 50 plus years member of the Eastern Star.

Survivors include her husband, Ross Wilson of Gorman; nephew and niece, Joe Bob and Jertie Sherrod of Llano; great-nephew, Joe David Sherrod of Spicewood and great-niece, Cathy Klafehn of Flower Mound and a host of cousins. She was preceded in death by her parents.

Roman (Raymond) Garcia, Jr.

Roman (Raymond) Garcia, Jr., age 70 of Ranger, went to be with the Lord on Monday, January 11, 2010

Memorial service was held at 2 p.m. January 14th at the Higginbotham Funeral Home Chapel with Deacon Ruben Castan'eda officiating.

Raymond was born on August 12, 1939 in Greenlake, Texas to Roman Garcia and Olivia Espinoza Garcia. He was raised in Edna, Texas. He married Ofelia Lopez on May 20, 1962 in Brownfield. He worked as a cotton ginner for many years, in Seagraves, Seminole and Big Spring. He worked at Texas Instruments in Lubbock for 5 years as electric maintenance supervisor. After TI closed the plant in Lubbock, he went to work at McLanes, Southwest in Temple, where he worked for 14 years as electric maintenance supervisor. He retired due to health problems in 1999. He and his wife then moved to Ranger.

Survivors include his wife, Ofelia Garcia of Ranger; two daughters, Norma Underhill and husband, Johnny of McGregor, and Nelda Woltemath of Sedgwick, CO.; Four brothers, Tomas Garcia of Benton Harbor, MI, Robert Garcia of Crosby, Rueben Garcia of Houston, Johnny Joe Garcia of Mercedes; three sisters, Estella Lopez of San Angelo, Eva Lozano of Mercedes, and Erma Garcia of Edcouch; five grandchildren, Jonathan Freeman, Lance Woltemath, Lacie Barnes, Jaden Woltemath and Hallee Woltemath. He was preceded in death by his parents and one sister, Beatrice.

Verbie Pauline Welch

Verbie Pauline Welch, age 94 of Gorman passed away Tuesday, December 29, 2009 at the Eastland Memorial Hospital.

Graveside services were held December 31st at the Oaklawn Cemetery with Jimmy Hollman officiating. Services under the direction of Higginbotham Funeral Home.

Mrs. Welch was born in Gorman on March 18, 1915 to Willie Duckworth and Nora McKinley Duckworth. She married Oatis Welch on October 5, 1935 in Gorman. He preceded her in death on March 11, 1992. She was a homemaker and a member of the Pentecostal Church.

She is survived by three daughters, Yvonne Whitlock of Gorman, Lula Faye Craig and husband, Jim of Deer Park and Louise Huston of Gorman; one son, Billy Earl Welch and wife, Edna of De Leon; 12 grandchildren, 27 great-grandchildren and 17 great-great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents, son, Freddie Welch, a brother, Doyle Duckworth and a great grandson.

Garry Powell

Garry Kent Powell, 58 of De Leon, passed away Friday, January 15, 2010 at his residence.

Born November 18, 1951 in De Leon to Frances Richmon Powell and the late Adell Woodford "Woodie" Powell, Jr., he was married on August 12, 1970 to Paula Painter in De Leon. Garry turned his hand at a number of trades throughout his lifetime. He was a hard worker and was self employed most of his life making his living from ventures including, but not limited to welding and construction contracting. He worked a number of years for the Comanche County Telephone Company. He finished his career as an independent insurance adjuster during which time he traveled the United States from coast to coast and beyond. Garry loved hunting and golfing when time permitted, and time permitted pretty frequently in his earlier years. Garry had resided in the De Leon area almost all of his life.

Survivors include his wife, Paula Powell of De Leon; one son, Bobby Powell and his wife, Tabatha of Brock; mother, Frances Powell of De Leon; two brothers, Roy Powell of San Angelo and Ronald Powell of De Leon; one granddaughter, Cassidy Powell of Brock and several nieces and nephews.

A brief family gathering for memorial was held on Saturday, January 16th in honor of Garry's wishes for a low keyed departure.

In lieu of flowers or other memorials, the family has requested that donations be directed to a beneficial fund which has been established at First National Bank in De Leon for his wife, Paula Powell.

Arrangements were under direction of Nowlin Anders Funeral Home in De Leon.

HOMESTEAD HAPPENING

By Ina Smith

We would like to invite everyone to come and join us at our monthly birthday party on Monday Jan. 22 at 3:30 following Singing. Those who had birthdays in January were Rowena Wilson on Jan. 1, Don Estes Jan. 15 and Elias Gutierrez Jan. 18.

We extend our deepest heartfelt sympathy to Ross Wilson, family and friends. Rowena passed away on Monday morning. Rowena had only been at Homestead a short time, but she was well known from her many years of teaching school here in Gorman. Rowena will be greatly missed.

We would like to welcome our new administrator, Lynn Porter. Lynn is a hometown girl. She is married to Tim Porter. She has 2 daughters, Shari Marlow Henson, of Ft. Worth, and Kalyon Porter of Stephenville. Lynn has a 2 year old grand daughter, Kinsey and is looking forward to the arrival of a grandson in late April.

Lynn graduated from Dublin High School and Tarleton with a BBA in accounting. She has been a Long Term Care Administrator for 18 years. Welcome aboard Lynn.

We always look forward to our Monday afternoon singing. Those coming on Monday were Oren and Norma Webb, Woodrow and Helen Browning, Billy Joe and Betty Dennis, Brent Lasater and Daisy Slaton.

We continue to play bingo on Monday and Friday mornings. We appreciate Pat Graham and Billie Marble coming to help with this. Our winners on Monday were: Myrtle Davidson, 2 games, Wes Couch, June Salik and Frankie Stacy was our blackout winner.

If you find time on your hands and would like to do some volunteer work come on up.

Classifieds

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S/E Gorman: 60 A, good sandy soil, some coastal, good fences, elec., nice pond site. \$2,800 Acre.
38 A M/L south Gorman, Front FM 679, about 10 A. large Pecan Trees, nice location for pond, good fence, sandy land. \$2,200 Acre - Seller Financing
100 A west De Leon FM587, 3 - 1 1/2 ac 2 brkjc, 1444 sq. ft., C/HA, fireplace, carpeted, some remodeling, 3 ponds, 30a crop land, 35a coastal, some native, fenced, 2 steel cprals, 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.
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CHARM, WARMTH, COMFORT - This 2 BR, 1 bath brick has all of this & more. Large inviting living room, kitchen/dining combo, CH/A, utility w/extras, DACP & cov. porch overlooking the oversized back yard with it's beautiful pecan trees. Call us to make your appointment today! 08
PRODUCTIVE describes this 160 AC, m/l, North of Gorman. Coastal, good soil, wheat base, 2 tanks, several water well and frontage on 2 county roads. Great place for cattle, horses or hay. A13
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INVESTORS - INVESTORS - INVESTORS - This property consists of 2 structures. A 2 story office building, old cafe. This property has a lot of possibilities!! C19

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Any political advertising reflecting adversely upon the character of a person will be refused.
The Gorman Progress is authorized to make the following political announcement, subject to the action of the March Primary Election.

Eastland Co. Justice - Pct. 1: Ronald (Ronnie) White (R)	Eastland County Clerk: Cecil Funderburk (R)
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Distinguished Students'

Tarleton State University has released the Distinguished Students list for the fall 2009 semester. Students on the list include freshman and sophomore students who have a minimum 3.25 grade point ratio (GPR) and no grade lower than a 'C,' and juniors and seniors who have a minimum 3.5 GPR with no grade lower than a 'C.' All must be in good standing with the university.

Students making the list include the following:

Meghan Wheat of Carbon, Texas, is enrolled at Tarleton's Stephenville campus.

Krystal Forbus of Carbon, Texas, is enrolled at Tarleton's Stephenville campus.

Kia McCarty of De Leon, Texas, is enrolled at Tarleton's Stephenville campus.

Amberly Perez of De Leon, Texas, is enrolled at Tarleton's Stephenville campus.

Marisa Vargas of De Leon, Texas, is enrolled at Tarleton's Stephenville campus.

GeorgeAnne Landreth of De Leon, Texas, is enrolled at Tarleton's Stephenville campus.

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Shaun Cowgell of De Leon, Texas, is enrolled at Tarleton's Stephenville campus.

Brittney Auvenshine of Desdemona, Texas, is enrolled at Tarleton's Stephenville campus.

Elizabeth Hipolito of Gorman, Texas, is enrolled at Tarleton's Stephenville campus.

Matthew Nowlin of Gorman, Texas, is enrolled at Tarleton's Stephenville campus.

Pee Wee Basketball Schedule

Come out and watch the games. We hope to see you there. These games will be played in Gorman at both gyms.

January 23rd

- 9am Lady Panthers 3rd Vs Rising Star 3/4 Girls- Old Gym
- 9am Panthers 3rd Vs Cross Plains 3rd Boys - New Gym
- 10am Panthers 4th Vs Rising Star 3/4 Boys- Old Gym
- 10am Cross Plains 5th Boys Vs Rising Star 5/6 Boys- New Gym
- 11am 2nd Grade- Old Gym
- 11am Lady Panthers 3rd Vs Cross Plains 3rd Girls- New Gym
- 12pm Panthers 4th Vs Cross Plains 4th Boys- Old Gym
- 12pm Lady Panthers 4th Vs Cross Plains 4th Girls- New Gym
- 1pm Lady Cats Vs Cross Plains 6th Girls (T1) - New Gym
- 2pm Lady Panthers 6th Vs Cross Plains 6th Girls (T2) - New Gym
- 3pm Lady Panthers 5th Vs Cross Plains 5th Girls - New Gym
- 4pm Panthers 5/6 Vs Cross Plains 6th Boys - New Gym

January 30

- 9am Lady Panthers 5th Vs Cross Plains 5th Girls- Old Gym
- 9am Panthers 5/6th Vs Cross Plains 6th Boys - New Gym
- 10am Lady Panthers 6th Vs Cross Plains 6th Girls(T1)- Old Gym
- 10am Lady Panthers 4th Vs Rising Star 3/4 Girls - New Gym
- 11am Rising Star 5/6 Boys Vs Cross Plains 5th Boys - Old Gym
- 11am 2nd Grade- New Gym
- 12pm Panthers 4th Vs Cross Plains 3rd Boys- Old Gym
- 12pm Lady Cats Vs Cross Plains 6th Girls (T2) - New Gym
- 1pm Lady Panthers 4th Vs Cross Plains 3rd Girls - New Gym
- 2pm Panthers 3rd Vs Rising Star 3/4th Boys - New Gym
- 3pm Lady Panthers 3rd Vs Cross Plains 4th Girls - New Gym
- 4pm Panthers 3rd Vs Cross Plains 4th Boys - New Gym

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- BRAEDEN McDONALD
- HANNAH UNDERWOOD
- GARRETT GILDER
- HAYDEN HAMPTON
- KAITLYN MORTON
- JESSICA RICE
- JONATHAN RODRIGUEZ

B HONOR ROLL

- LUIS AGUILAR
- STEVEN FENLEY
- BRYSON HERRERA
- BRYLEE JOHNSON
- MACY LAWDERMILK
- MJ LOCKE
- HAYDEN RAINEY
- ROSE AGUIRRE
- MYA CAMPBELL
- STACY GONZALEZ
- TONY MONTELONGO
- JEREMY WILLIAMS
- JORDAN WILLIAMS

2nd

- LARISSA HAMPTON
- YULIANA HERNANDEZ
- RACHEL SNIDER
- JUSTIN WHEELER

- MARLEY CARLTON
- CAITLYN CLARK
- DESTINY FLANARY
- KORI GAINES
- KAYLEE GRUMBLES
- KELSIE GUTHERY
- JARED JANECEK
- SYDNEE LOCKE
- ASAEI MALDONADO
- CESAR MONTELONGO
- DYLAN CARLTON
- ALEXIS ESTRADA
- ISAIAH LANDA
- GENARO MADERA
- KEATON MOORE
- KARSYN SCITERN
- KAMREN SPARGER

3rd

- JESENIA RODRIGUEZ
- ELLA SEGURA
- LAUREN UNDERWOOD
- JENNIFER VALDEZ
- REECE SCITERN
- JENNIFER CRUZ

- KOLBY GAINES
- BRANDON HOGAN
- DAVID GRIFFIN
- NEDIA MADERA
- BRYCE PETREE
- MORGAN WRIGHT
- REES BYRD
- JUSTICE FISCHER
- EMELY LARA
- JOHN WARREN

4th

- DANETTE LARA
- KADE SPARGER
- JESSICA RAMIREZ
- ISAAC SEGURA

- JACOB ERVIN
- NEYDA HERRERA
- TRENT FENLEY
- DIANNA RAINEY
- COLTON WHEELER
- ELISABHD GARCIA
- ARIANA GIBBS
- CONNOR KEHL
- RAFAEL ORTIZ
- KAIDEN PETREE
- STRATTON THOMPSON
- SARA WOODALL

5th

- IZAEL HERRERA
- TALEE JONES
- DYLAN WALTON
- AUSTIN BYRD
- SAM RAINEY
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- CARRISSA COLE
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- VANESSA VALDEZ

Happenings At FBC!!

Justice! Seemingly one gets away with injustice, however it is just the opposite, nobody escapes God's final judgment. May we all strive to act with justice and grace in our daily lives.

Mark your calendars:

Jan. 27th - 6:30pm - The Hinkle Family in Concert.

Jan. 31st - Fifth Sunday Singing at Kokomo.

Feb. 6th - 2:00pm - Deacon's Valentine Banquet.

Children's Sermon: Liz demonstrated you couldn't turn a can of corn into a can of carrots just by writing carrots on the label. Additionally, you can't turn an orange into a banana just by writing banana on the orange peel. No matter what the outside says, it is what is on the inside that matters. People look different (height, dress, skin color, eye color, weight, etc). The Bible tells us in 1 Samuel that the Lord does not see as man sees. Man looks at the outside, while God looks at the inside. God sees your heart. Accept Jesus into your heart and you may have a good and beautiful heart.

Praise Band: The multifaceted talents that God has bestowed on our Praise Band inclines our ears and touch hearts.

Bro. Barry's Message: "The Sin Unto Death" - Matthew 12:31-32 - Life can be confusing and some things may be mistaken as literal. Our world needs honest Preachers to proclaim the truth and Word of God.

There is sin for which there is no pardon here in this age, and no pardon there in the age to come.

The sin for which there is no pardon is at the heart of God. We must know what it isn't to understand what it is. The blood of Jesus allows forgiveness for murder, adultery, lying, lust, suicide, divorce, gossiping, oppressing, and stealing. Sin is not to be belittled. God is our strength and our help; life is life, and God forgives.

UNPARDONABLE SIN:

I. What is the job of the Holy Spirit today? - Counselor even in the darkest moments. Comforter when we cannot explain things that happen. Convicts us by moving in our heart to question our own conscience. Even in Haiti, God provides comfort through His Holy Spirit. The inside of the earth is boiling; we've never been closer to the end. Only God knows the day and the time of Christ's return.

II. What is the Unpardonable Sin? - Blasphemy against God. It is God whom gets you through a week of despair by the power of His Holy Spirit. When you no longer feel the tug on your heart, when bad is fun, and evil doesn't bother you is when the Spirit of God is rejected and leaves you. Are you no longer moved by the Holy Spirit to come to the House of the Lord to worship? Is the tragedy in your life telling God no?

III. Why is it Unpardonable? Rejecting the Holy Spirit of God means you no longer care if He speaks or not. There is harshness and hardness in your heart.

Get up, get out of bed, and come to God's House to worship Him with fellow believers. God cares about the needs of His people.

There will come a time when God closes the door. Accept Jesus, Believe in Jesus, and Confess your sin to God, and then receive your Salvation through Christ. Listen, and answer God!

Delight in the Public Profession of two extraordinary young women: One accepting Jesus Christ as her personal Lord and Savior, and the other to rededicate her life to do more for Jesus Christ.

Sunday School is for all ages, and Classes begin at 9:45AM every Sunday morning, please come and we will help you find the right class for you.

Our Worship Service begins at 11:00AM on Sunday mornings, please come and join us! 1X100

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

Notes From Dr. Dan

The doctor asked the nurse "How is the girl who swallowed the quarter yesterday?" The nurse replied "no change yet, doctor."

It is important to know the number for poison control...1800 222-1222. When in doubt, call to make sure.

For example, if someone swallows cigarettes, it could be fatal and you can induce vomiting to keep the poisonous nicotine from harming the child further. But if someone swallows acid or petroleum, you should not induce vomiting because of the possible damage and fume inhalation that can happen with those substances coming back up.

In cases of acid or petroleum products one should dilute with water or milk. It is a completely different story if someone swallows a strong base or alkali like a drain cleaner like Drano. There is not much to be done in that case. Drano is a strong alkali or base and burns on contact and doesn't stop burning even if you wash it away. The fact is that swallowing Drano will not kill you, but it will scar your food tube, your esophagus, for life.

Kids can swallow a lot of unusual things. Some are emergencies but others will just pass in the stool.

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Kindergarten Snowman Contest



We would like to thank all of the families that participated in the "Build A Snowman Contest". Kindergarten students at Maxfield Elementary held a snowman contest that would include family involvement. Families were to put their ideas together and come up with a way to build a unique snowman. Parents and children were all included in the process.

The ideas that each family came up with to build their snowmen were outstanding. The results showed hard work, dedication and creativity. Judging was much harder to do than expected, so we ended up with a tie in all three places. First place went to Suellyn Hunter and Issac Herrera. Second place went to James Lara and Trinity Torres. Third place went to Belle Segura and Aryann Cook. We hope that everyone had fun while making their snowmen.

The snowmen are on display at the school for all to see. We have heard so many great comments on what an outstanding job they did with their projects.

Again, Maxfield Elementary would like to thank those families for their participation in school events.



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TRASH PICK UP ON TUESDAY
BEGINS AT 7:00 a.m.
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TRASH TO BE MISSED
YOU MUST HAVE IT OUT BY THE CURB.

Desdemona News

By Vonnie Guthery

Desdemona Monthly Musical will be held on Saturday, January 23rd at the Community Center (ole School Building). The Concession Stand opens at 5:30 p.m. serving sandwiches, homemade pie and drinks. Come early to enjoy supper and visit 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 with some gospel and bluegrass included. This is a "Smoke Free" environment and the admission is "FREE".

Friends of Desdemona sends sincere sympathy to the family of Garry Powell of De Leon. His father, the late Woodie Powell and his wife, Paula (Painter) Powell attended school in Desdemona.

Dee Miles of Temple was buried last Saturday in the Victor Cemetery. Her parents are the late Robert "Scoots" and Pauline (Taylor) Gary, former residents of the Victor Community. Sympathy to this family.

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

Please contact this reporter with your weekly news. Your help will be appreciated.

Thanks and have a great day, Vonnie.

Senior Citizens News

By Carol Ward

We were low in attendance due to a mix up at the center. A sign was put on the door saying they will close at 12. Everyone thought that meant the center, but it was only the computer room. If they had put that on the notice it would of solved a lot of problems. It was posted on the 12th and we met on the 13th with only 15 people. I'm sure a lot of this was due to the Bill Underwood funeral. The rumor was out they were going to feed the family at the center. Of course that was an error. I knew Bill and he was a good man. What a sad happening for his family. He and his family were at my son Mark's 50th Birthday Party. We all had a great time at Lake Proctor.

We enjoyed a good meal of Beef Pot Roast with potatoes and carrots. Also mixed vegetables, scalloped potatoes, pea salad, a great green salad with broccoli and lots of other Veggies by Ruthie Porter, pickled okra and pinto beans. We enjoyed two serving of deviled eggs, cake and pink stuff made of Jello with fruit and cool whip. Always our good corn bread and rolls. It seems our desserts are either too few or many cakes, etc. At once, Estelle Lindley was gracious in giving our blessing of the food.

We decided and voted to not have the Birthdays anymore - too much confusion there. We will just sing to those who are here and possibly all sign a card. We all love cards.

It was good to have Jimmy Stell, Lil Brudnak and Betty Ellis back with us. Betty is a great gal and Anna Laminack's sister from Georgia. She is house sitting for Anne. Anne is also a great addition to our Community. We enjoy going places and visiting with them.

When we had our beautiful snow on Christmas Eve day, caused many people to stay home. Max and Barbara Bush had planned to visit their daughter Diane and family somewhere in the panhandle. So with all the bad weather they stayed home. I had ordered a small flower vase from Shanda for them. Thanks for all the help they have given me the last year. So they used it for their center piece Christmas Day. Glad it brightened their day. Some of their family came to visit over the weekend. Shanda said that snow was most beautiful on her delivery to them.

The news is low this week. Please people call or tell me your news. It would help me out in writing this report.

Hope all is well and see you next time - Carol

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