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## Windell Light For Justice Of The Peace

Hi, my name is Windell Light, and I am running for Precinct 1 Justice of the Peace. I have been an Eastland resident since 1996 and enjoy living in Eastland County. I currently work for the Eastland County Sheriff's Department and have been a Deputy Sheriff for the past thirteen years. I am married to Barbie (Butler) Light, and we have two girls: Shannon (nine years old) and Randa (four years old).



You might ask, "What is a Justice of the Peace and what do they do?" A Justice of the Peace, or solicitor general, typically presides over a court that hears misdemeanor cases, traffic violations, and other petty criminal infractions. A Justice of the Peace may also have authority over cases involving small debts, landlord and tenant disputes, or other small claims court proceedings. Most Justices of the Peace perform marriage ceremonies as well.

I could list all of my law enforcement accomplishments and my community involvement, but I believe it is more important for you to know that I am just your common, hardworking, fully devoted citizen trying to do the job the best I can. I have gotten acquainted with many citizens of this county in the past thirteen years, and I hope to meet many more new faces as Justice of the Peace for Precinct 1.

At that, I ask that you vote for me in the Republican Party Primary election on March 2, 2010. Thank you for your vote and support.

Pd. Adv. By Windell Light, 202 S. Ammerman, Eastland, Tx 76448.

## Appointment of Eastland County Commissioner for Precinct 3

*County Judge Rex Fields Appoints Thomas (TJ) Cummings As Eastland County Commissioner for Precinct Three*

Today, during a ceremony in the Eastland County Courtroom, I appointed Thomas (TJ) Cummings as the County Commissioner for Precinct Three, filling the vacancy in the office held by Bill Underwood. This appointment will continue until after the next general election that takes place in November of 2010 and the election returns are canvassed. The person elected will then serve out the unexpired term of office.

Ten people contacted me about being a candidate for appointment to this important elected position. I carefully considered each person. My duty was to appoint the person I believed would perform the very best for Precinct Three and for Eastland County. After much deliberation, I think that the person that is best qualified for doing the many duties of county commissioner is TJ Cummings.

Commissioner Cummings lives in Carbon, Tx, has been self-employed for many years, and has the necessary expertise for this position. He has a bachelor's degree in agricultural business from Tarleton State University. Commissioner Cummings has been an elected official in the past as a councilman for the city of Carbon. He has worked as a project manager and estimator for an environmental corporation, bringing him the experiences of financial management, budgetary oversight, and conforming to state and federal regulations. As a self-employed business owner, Commissioner Cummings owns and operates a welding and construction business and has experience with trucking and heavy equipment. He has also been a ranch foreman for cow/calf operations in Eastland County.

After visiting with Commissioner Cummings, reviewing his credentials and experience, I truly believe that he will become a great asset to the Eastland County Commissioners Court. Please welcome him to this position. The office number at the Precinct barn in Rising Star is 254-643-2532.

Finally, I would like to take this opportunity to thank each employee of Precinct Three. These great people, led by David Worley and Mike Lewis have done an outstanding job in keeping the work done in that precinct while I was allowed the time to make the correct appointment of Commissioner Cummings.

Thank you,  
Respectfully submitted,  
(s) Rex Fields Eastland County Judge



## Tyler Johnson Named To 2010 FCA All Star Squad

ABILENE - Tyler Johnson of Gorman High School has been chosen as part of the football squad to participate in the 11th annual Fellowship of Christian Athletes, (FCA) Myrtle Greathouse All-Star Classic, to be held Saturday, June 12, 2010 in Abilene, Tx. Tyler the son of Vicki Brown of Gorman and Johnny Johnson of Carbon.

He was one of 134 area student athletes selected for the game which benefits the Big Country Area Office of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes. I represent approximately 50 area schools.

The rosters for the North and South squads were announced at a Press Conference on Sunday, February 4th at Beltway Park Baptist Church in Abilene.

The young All-Stars were nominated by their head coaches for the game, which features schools from an approximate 100-mile radius of Abilene covering 36 counties. Representatives from Class A - 5A make up the squads. They will be honored at a Victory Banquet on April 25th at the Abilene Civic Center. They will report for two-a-day workouts on Wednesday, June 9th. There will be lots of activities that they will be involved in during that time.

## SUMMER BASEBALL & SOFTBALL SIGN-UPS

Baseball and Softball sign-ups will start on February 21st and will end on February 27th. The 27th WILL BE THE LAST TIME to sign your child up to play summer league ball due to the deadlines that TTAB/TTAS have set. The forms will be available on Thursday February 18th, they will be sent home with your child from school or you can get one at City Hall.

The forms will need to be turned in on one of the above dates or left at City Hall. If you want to coach a team or be an umpire you will need to fill out a form for this. They will be available at City Hall.

**FEBRUARY 27 @ 2P-4P @ HIGH SCHOOL GYM LAST SIGN-UP**

## Happenings at GISD

By Jonathon Flores

Hello Gorman. My mission in this article is to inform you about events and happenings taking place at Gorman High School. Hopefully I can get you up to speed with some of the things that have taken place as of late in this article.

Recently, GISD had the pleasure of hosting a man by the name of L.D. Cox. Mr. Cox was a survivor of the U.S.S. Indianapolis shipwreck. It was one of the worst casualties in the history of the United States Navy. Mr. Cox shared his life story and described the harrowing ordeals he survived on the U.S.S. Indianapolis. He also described what it was like when the ship had been sunk and what it was like being stranded out at sea for five days. The story was very interesting and also quite chilling.

This week should be a very busy one at GISD. There is a softball tournament and a junior high and high school track meet. All of this considering the weather is not too unpleasant. So come out and support the Cubs, Lady Cubs, Lady Panthers and Panthers in their respective sports.

## Gorman Softball Tournament February 25th and 26th 2010

**February 25, 2010 (Thursday)**

9:00 - 10:30 Gorman vs. Cross Plains  
11:00 - 12:30 Cross Plains vs. Comanche JV  
1:00 - 2:30 Comanche JV vs. Gorman

**February 26, 2010 (Friday)**

9:00 - 10:30 Gorman vs. Comanche JV  
11:00 - 12:30 Comanche JV vs. Cross Plains  
1:00 - 2:30 Cross Plains vs. Gorman

## Sixth Grade Lady Panthers Tournament Champions

Last Saturday the 6th Grade Lady Panthers won 1st place in the Jr. Class Tournament. This gives the girls a record of 14 - 0.

The team consist of Betty Montelongo, Kourtney Seaton, Arlette Giles, Yulissa Madera, Vanessa Longoria, Kodie Sparger, Alexia Madera, and Kathryn Woodall. They are coached by Jeff Seaton, Jennifer Sparger, and Graciella Longoria.

The team will play in the Eastland Tournament this weekend.

## Lady Panthers Open Season with a Win over Graford

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Gorman	0	1	0
Graford	0	0	1

Jaylon Miley was 1 for 4 with 1 run, Brittany Henderson 1 for 4, Jaime Johnston 1 for 4 with 3 runs, Erica Limon 1 for 3 with 1 run, Abby Pacheco 1 for 3, Rachel Tucker 1 for 3 with 1 RBI. Gorman Pitcher: J Miley - 7 innings, 11 strike outs, 2 base on ball, and 1 run. Graford Pitcher: K Hobbs - 7 innings, 8 strike outs, 11 base on ball, and 5 runs.

## Cathy Jentho Seeks Re-Election As Eastland County Clerk

My name is Cathy Jentho and I would like to thank the citizens of Eastland County for the honor of allowing me to serve as their County Clerk since 1998. I am again asking for your vote and the privilege of serving you for another term.

The Office of County Clerk is very complex and is ever changing. One of the duties is the recording and filing of instruments. I have implemented the computerization of real property records. The documents are now indexed, imaged, archived and protected. The images are quickly available on seven public terminals in the County Clerk's office. I have just recently put the land records online and they can be purchased through the website. In 2002 I supervised the much needed repair of many of our books. I have redesigned the index books into a simpler format. I am currently in the process of making electronic recording available.

The Clerk files misdemeanor cases and keeps the cases updated until the case is closed. I purchased a new filing system for quick retrieval and better use of the limited space available for the ever increasing number of files. Last year over 500 misdemeanor cases were filed in the Clerks office.

The Clerk is responsible for filing, recording and maintaining probate records.

The County Clerk is the clerk of the Commissioners Court and is responsible for posting notices, taking and recording the minutes and indexing those minutes.

The County Clerk conducts countywide and general elections. I have worked with local, state and federal agencies in the implementation of HAVA (Help America Vote Act). Through this act we have been awarded a grant for \$153,101.00 which has been used in the purchase and training on new voting equipment for the election process. I contract and work closely with the local Republican and Democratic chairs, Cities, School Districts, Hospital, Water Districts, and College Districts to conduct their elections. Monies from those contracts have gone to purchase more voting equipment, which makes results available faster and cuts the cost to the taxpayers. I have worked with the party chairs in an effort to conduct joint primaries. You will still have your choice of which primary you wish to vote in, but at a substantial savings to the taxpayer.

The County Clerk is responsible for many vital statistics such as marriage licenses, birth and death records. We have processed, archived and permanently protected approximately 88,000 plus marriage, military discharge, birth and death records. The County Clerk's office keeps other records such as deeds, brand records, plats, military discharges and assumed name certificates. I have imaged all of the military discharge records and currently we are imaging the old marriage licenses. I have plans to begin electronic filing of death and birth records through the Texas Bureau of Vital Statistics Texas Electronic Registrar.

I have outlined some but not all of the duties of my office and how I have tried to make it more efficient, cost effective and consumer friendly for the Citizens of Eastland County. I began my service to the citizens of Eastland County as a part-time employee in the County Clerks Office in 1985. I became a full time employee in 1986 and then Chief Deputy Clerk in 1989. In 1998 I was elected Eastland County Clerk and re-elected in 2002 and again in 2006. I have proven myself over the years as a Deputy Clerk, Chief Deputy Clerk and as your County Clerk.

I have attended continuing training at the V. G. Young Institute at Texas A & M, The Annual County and District Clerks training conference, Texas Secretary of State election conferences, Bureau of Vital Statistics training, Texas Association of Counties post legislative conference, and training at U. T. School of Law Program, I have served on the County and District Clerk's Association's Legislative Committee for five years and I currently serve on the Association's Education Committee, just to name a few.

Every year the duties and responsibilities of this office change. Sometimes the changes are minor, some times more involved, depending on the Legislature and the Courts. I have worked hard to keep up to date on the changes, save the taxpayer money and make recording and retrieving records as easy as possible while still carrying on the duties of this office. I have the proven experience you have come to know and trust as your County Clerk and I would appreciate your vote in the Republican Primary on March 2nd.

Paid Political Advertising by Cathy Jentho, P. O. Box 44, Olden, Texas 76466

**Computer Lab - Closed Feb. 22-26**

**Senior Center To Be Used For Census Training**

The computer lab will be closed the week of Feb 22-26 and March 1-5 for US Census Training purposes. We are sorry for any inconvenience. The library is open to the public and has a public computer.

(The facility will also be unavailable to the domino players) However lunch will still be served on Wednesday from 11:30-12:30 should the Seniors choose to have it at this location.

# Obituaries

## Benjamin Richard Townley, III

Benjamin Richard Townley, III, age 68 of De Leon, passed away on Friday, February 5, 2010 at Plaza Medical Center in Fort Worth. Services were held at Nowlin Anders Funeral Home Chapel at 2 p.m. with Gary Williams officiating. Burial was in Sipe Springs Cemetery.

He was born October 10, 1941 in Monahans to Benjamin Richard Townley, II and Grace Oneda Pollard. He married Sylvia Leonard on October 24, 1959 in Eastland.

He is survived by 2 sons Rick Townley, IV and Bill Townley; a daughter, Renee Webb; a sister, Jo Millican; four grandchildren, Misty Barnes, Chris Barnes, Chase Townley and Taylor Townley; and eleven great-grandchildren.

He was preceded by his wife, Sylvia Townley; parents, Benjamin Richard Townley, II and Grace Oneda Pollard and one brother.

Please send donations to "The Lung Association".

## Mackie Lee Rozell

Mackie Lee Rozell, age 68 of Proctor passed away at her residence on Monday, February 8, 2010. No services planned.

She was born December 31, 1941 in Gorman to Lloyd Mack Allen and Aza Lee Golden Allen. She married Bob Rozell on March 31, 1983 in Odessa.

She was a homemaker.

She is survived by two sons, Doyle Allen Whitworth of Gorman and Bob R. Whitworth of Joshua; three daughters, Missy Thompson of Dublin, Faye Lynnette Woods of Seattle, WA. and Drenda Kay Philen of Belton; 3 grandchildren and 3 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded by her husband, Bob Rozell; and parents Lloyd Allen and Azalee Golden Allen.

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

# Classifieds

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# Four Positions Open For School Board

Four positions will come open for the May 8, 2010 election for school board trustee. These positions will include three three-year terms to be elected at large, currently held by Bob Powell, Beth Underwood, and one vacated by Melinda Harrington and currently filled by appointment by Don Whitten. The third position is an one year unexpired term ending May 2011, this term vacated by Jeff Seaton and filled by appointment by Noah Landa. First day to file is February 6, 2010. Deadline to file is March 8, 2010 at 5:00 p.m.. Applications are available at the Superintendent's office during school hours. Incumbents, Bob Powell, Beth Underwood, Don Whitten, and Noah Landa have filed applications for the election.

Cuatro posiciones serán abiertas para la elección para el fideicomisario de la mesa directiva de la escuela el 8 de mayo, 2010. Estas posiciones incluirán tres términos de tres-año para ser elegidos en grande, actualmente tenidos por Bob Powell, Beth Underwood, y uno desocupado por Melinda Harrington y actualmente puesto por nombramiento a Don Whitten. La tercera posición es un término de un año no caducado que termina el 2011 de mayo, este término desocupado por Jeff Seaton y actualmente puesto por nombramiento a Noah Landa. El Primer día para archivar es el 6 de febrero del 2010. La fecha límite es el 8 de marzo del 2010 a las 5:00 de la tarde. Las solicitudes están disponibles en la oficina del Superintendente durante las horas de clase.

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S/E Gorman: 60 A, good sandy soil, some coastal, good fences, elec., nice pond site. \$2,800 Acre.  
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100 A west De Leon FM587, 3-1/2 = 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.  
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162 A, 2 story 2-1/2 Frame Home, shop, wells & tanks, woods, hunting [JA03] \$585,000  
147 A, Horse Property, 5-4 1/2 Brick Home, 2-Car Garage, barn, much more [SW01] \$950,000  
102 A, water well, costal, corrals, hunting, minerals, possible owner finance [JB04] \$252,450  
SOLD 100 A, water well, 3 tanks, minerals available [RS04] \$210,000  
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 [J001] \$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  
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  
4+4, 4-3 Remodeled Brick Home, additional recreational room, water well [RH02] \$149,900  
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  
4-2 Brick Home, large shaded lot, privacy fence, near elementary school [KO01] \$65,000  
REDUCED 3-1 Frame Home, carport, shaded lot, storage bldg [DS03] \$39,500 \$36,500  
3-2 Brick home, 2 car garage, large living area & lot, CH&A, privacy fence [JG02] \$95,900  
2-2 Brick home, 2 car garage, 2.99 A, CH&A, fireplace, 20x30 side bldg [DDM01] \$195,000  
REDUCED 2-1 Frame Home, 2.3 A, screened porch, water well [GB02] \$55,000 \$45,000  
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Voters may begin calling Cathy Jenthon, County Clerk now to see if they are eligible to vote by the mail procedure. 254-629-1583.

February 16-26, 2010 County Courthouse 8:00 AM-5:00 PM period for Early Voting

## Happenings At FBC!!

Think! Write down your thoughts for a day and throw the thoughts away that do not fit in life with Christ. Clean up your thoughts and your actions will follow.

Mark your calendars:  
**March 5th & 6th** - "Roll Up Your Sleeves" - Men's Event at BCBA - Worship & Work.

Children's Sermon: Liz loves to travel and shared some photos of new things she had seen while on her recent vacation. Even if we cannot go somewhere we can pretend and let our imagination take us places. Imagine what it would be like to live when Jesus was on earth and see His many miracles. Then and now Jesus asks all of us to follow Him. It's exciting and awesome to serve and follow Jesus. Every day with Jesus is sweeter than the day before. The best is yet to come!

Special Blessing: Emma Clark and Hayden Clark were especially precious while singing "God Is So Wonderful".

Bro. Barry's Message: "What's In Your Pool?" - John 5:6 - As told in John 5, at the Pool of Bethesda there was a man that had been an invalid for thirty-eight years and he laid by the pool with nobody to help him get in the water. Would you let your misery last for thirty-eight years? What would you do?

I. We are Stuck at Our Own Pools of Bethesda. - Each one of us has experienced a hurt that we have carried with us, it drags us down from time to time, we give it to God and take it back, then the carrying becomes years. Are you so focused on your problems that you miss Jesus standing next to you, like the man at the pool of Bethesda?

II. Jesus Wants to Heal Us. - Jesus is the only one that can heal your broken heart, your frustration, and your confusion. Parents need to have a prayer on the court before the children play. Don't miss what it is about. Let Jesus take care of you. Jesus promises to change your life and make you better. Don't find yourself paralyzed spiritually.

III. Jesus Wants Us to Pick Up Our Mat. - You don't need a pool and you don't need the water, all you need is Jesus. How much worthless junk are you carrying? Give your burdens to God.

IV. Move On. - What are your eyes seeking? Do you feel that your load is lighter after you give your burdens to God? The peace is yours thru Jesus.

Get Up, Pick Up, and Walk! You may not be cured although you will be healed thru Jesus!

Last week we didn't get an article in the newspaper and we welcomed new members Jim Rogers and Tisha Stephens to our fellowship. In addition, a young boy made his public profession of faith and desire to follow Christ in baptism. Glory to God!

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

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# Gorman Middle School

4th Six Weeks Honor Roll  
6th Grade

**A-Honor Roll**  
Jose Maldonado  
Kourtney Seaton  
Garet Vaughn  
Turner Whitten

**A-B Honor Roll**  
Hunter Childers  
Betty Cruz  
Arlette Giles  
Kaitlyn Graham  
Rylan Laminack  
Alexia Madera  
Yulissa Madera

7th Grade

**A-Honor Roll**  
Brittany Burns

**A-B Honor Roll**  
Adriana Brown  
Chloe Cole  
Chey Gibbs  
Cosette Keeping  
Jacquelynn Rainey  
Lauren Spivey  
Lacey Wilson

8th Grade

**Honor Roll**  
Lach Carlton  
Connie Gonzalez  
Jessica Ledford  
Yarixa Montelongo  
Melissa Ramirez

**A-B Honor Roll**  
Mykisha Hampton  
Kinsey Johnston  
Randall Miley  
Tony Ramirez  
Alaina Swanner  
Rhys Vaughn  
Jessica Williams

## City Minutes

FEBRUARY 18, 2010

The Gorman City Commission met on the above date. Those present were Mayor Robert Ervin, Commissioners Joe Casey, Nathan Files, David Stanley, and Durward Webb. Cody Hodges was also present.

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

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

David made the motion to approve the minutes of the previous meeting. Durward made a second. Motion carried 4-0.

Joe made the motion to approve the bills for payment. David made a second. Motion carried 4-0.

No Citizens were present for Citizens In Put.

Nathan made the motion to take vehicles to Comanche for servicing. David made the second. Motion carried 4-0.

Nathan inquired about how much vacation time Tacy had. And he said to be sure and keep up with it.

Thursday February 18, 2010 was the last day to accept any applications for the open position.

Nathan made the motion to hire Cody Hodges, of Deleon @ at rate of \$8.50 per hour. Raise will be discussed upon completion of 90 day probation period providing job performance is satisfactory with Commission.

David made the motion to adopt the amendment to City Ordinance #216. Durward made a second. Motion carried 4-0.

2nd reading of Ordinance #2010-001 was read. David made the motion to pass, approve and adopt said ordinance. Joe made a second. Motion carried 4-0.

The swimming pool will be placed on the next agenda.

There being no further business for discussion David made the motion to adjourn with a second from Nathan. Motion carried, time was 6:40 p.m.

On January 27th, the third grade classes of Mrs. Caraway and Mrs. Warren went to Safety City in Abilene. The students had studied very hard to learn fire safety, pedestrian safety, bicycle safety, and automobile safety before making the trip. At Safety City, the students were able to practice their skills at the realistic facility. New this year at Safety City was the new Fire Station which was very impressive and the students were able to practice their fire safety knowledge. Also, students participated as pedestrians, bike riders, and always a favorite--drove the cars through the streets of Safety City.

We would also like to thank all of the volunteers that made the trip with us. Without volunteers, it would not be possible for us to attend. Fortunately, on that date the weather was good. Everyone seemed to have a great time.



## Eastland Co. Emmaus Community To Meet

The Eastland County Emmaus Community will meet on Saturday, February 27th, at the Leon River Cowboy Church in Olden, Texas. We will start our meeting with a Pot Luck Supper at 6:00 PM (we serve some of the best banana pudding around!) and follow our meal with a Worship Service. Lynda Walls will be giving our Fourth Day Talk, so please be in support of her!

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.ecoemmaus@gmail.com](mailto:www.ecoemmaus@gmail.com).

## Pig Tales From Hogtown

BRRRRR! Another round of winter is coming our way - I don't know about you but I am ready for spring! The snow is beautiful, though.

It's going to be quiet week in Hogtown but there are a couple of things of note: this Saturday evening is the regular 4th Saturday musical at the old School House - be sure to come to that. Next Tuesday the DAC will host another Census Registration Meeting. We had a nice turnout for the last registration meeting. If you would like to see about the possibility of having a short-term job, come to the DAC on Tuesday, March 2nd from 2:00 until 4:00. Tonya will be here again to explain it all.

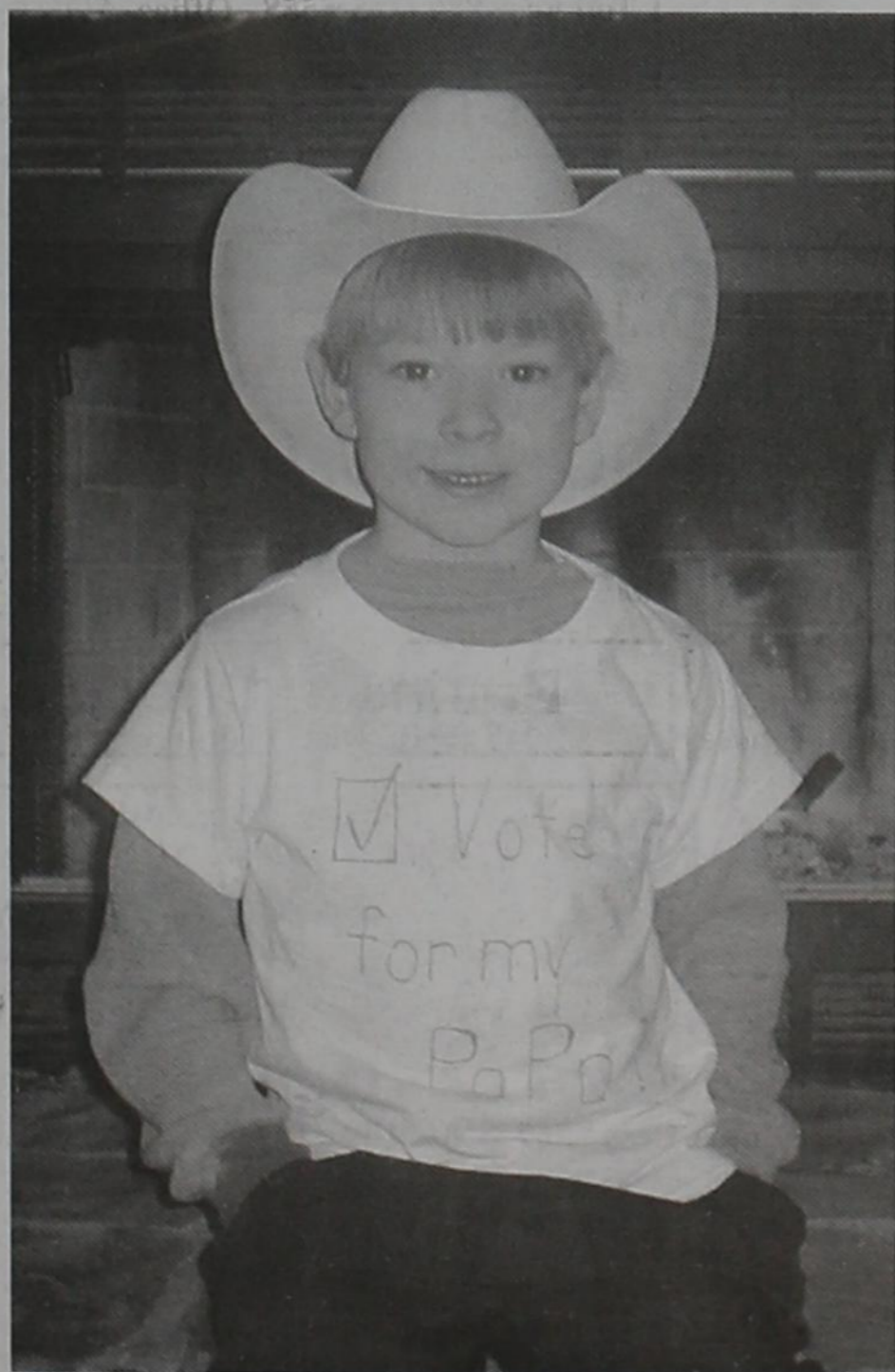
Don't forget that we have a jam session here at the DAC each Thursday afternoon from 3:00 til 5:00. Bring your instrument, your singing voice or just your toes for tapping and join us.

I would like to give a special THANKS to our volunteer fire fighters who attended a fire school in Brownwood over the weekend. Our fire chief, Dwight Dold does a great job with our little department. Our department has earned the respect of neighboring departments in the last few years. We have several new members and Dwight is great at encouraging folks to attend the fire schools to get some training. It is so important to have at least a bit of training when you are in these emergency situations. I would encourage you guys who work in the area to come and be a member. We have a fire meeting at the new station on the first Monday of each month - the next one will be March 1st. Hope to see you there!

Saturday, March 6th will be 'Breakfast at the DAC'. Come join us for a delicious meal to begin your weekend. (Hopefully it will be warmer then!)

See you in Desdemona!  
Carol Pell

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## Norma June Salik

Strawn- Norma "June" Salik of Gorman passed away Friday February 19, 2010 at Comanche County Medical Center. Funeral services was held at 2 P.M. Monday February 22nd at Edwards Funeral Home Chapel in Strawn. Visitation was from 12 to 2 P.M. on Monday February 22 at Edwards Funeral Home in Strawn.

Norma was born May 13, 1930 in Coleman, TX to Franklin and Georgia Grant (Fowler). As a young girl she lived in Strawn and Pioneer. She attended Pioneer High School. Norma later moved to Denton Co. and lived there for 35 years and worked as a Cafeteria supervisor at the Lewisville High School. She was a loving and caring woman who loved life.

Norma is preceded in death by her parents; husband Frank Salik, brother Franklin Grant and sister Wanda Grant.

She is survived by her daughter Georgianna Salik of Gorman, son James Salik of Gorman, sisters, Doris St. John of Dallas, Nell Schmidt of Ohio, granddaughter, Wendy Branger and husband Steve and 2 great-grandchildren, Dakota Branger and Allie Branger.

## HOMESTEAD HAPPENING

By Ina Smith

Last Tuesday we celebrated our 1st Mardi Gras parade and celebration. At 10:00 we discussed what the Mardi Gras is about and what the colors of Mardi Gras represent. Purple stands for justice, Green for faith and Gold for strength. And there was plenty of purple, green, and gold around.

As we lined up for the parade everyone put on their beads, mask or crowns. We had a jazz band, made of John Howard, band director at GHS (trombone) and band students, Mykesha Hampton (clarinet), Jalyn Miley, (saxophone) and Courtney Shirley (cornet) and they played as they led the parade, followed by King Wes Couch and Queen Christine Crews, residents and staff. Following the parade, a delicious lunch of stew (served in mugs with a mask attached) corn bread, and Mardi Gras cake (furnished by Diane Brown from the therapy dept.) Beverage was served in Mardi Gras cups with straws. During the meal everyone enjoyed listening to jazz music. A fun time was had by all.

Monday morning we were honored to have Cecil Funderburgh, who is a candidate for Eastland County Clerk and his wife come and visit with everyone. Several of the residents remember Cecil when he was Chief of Police here in Gorman. For the past 20 years Cecil has been Chief of Police for the Eastland Police Department. Cecil encouraged everyone to be sure and go vote on March 2. Everyone wished Cecil Good Luck in the coming election. Following his presentation everyone enjoyed cake and punch.

Monday afternoon following Gospel singing we had our Monthly birthday party.

Lucille Johnson celebrated her birthday on Feb. 13. Amy Wood furnished the delicious, beautifully decorated cake. Those coming for singing were Ruby Kinser, Ann Warren, Woodrow and Helen Browning, Mary Donham, Charles Dyess, Troy Scitern, Lula Schneider, Roy Cooper, Marie Cook, Melvin Daniels, Frankie Stacy, Ima Boles, and Elias Guitierrez.

We wish to extend our deepest heartfelt sympathy to the family and friends of Norma June Salik. June had been a resident of Homestead for a couple of years... June will be greatly missed.

On Sunday morning Nelda Mauney, Brent Lasater, and Marva Gentzel from the FBC came for Sunday School. Those attending were: Dorothy Beaty, Ima Boles, Wes Couch, Melvin Daniels, Charles Dyess, Don Estes, Elias Guitierrez, Mayvis Lasater, JoAnn Murdoch, Lula Schneider, Troy Scitern, Jelma Smith, Frankie Stacy, Robin Taylor, Anna Watson, and Marie Cook. Have a good week.



## Super Notes

By David K. Perry dperry@gorman.esc14.net

I am writing this article Monday afternoon contemplating the possibility of having to open school late tomorrow because of a threat of four to six inches of snow by morning. Unfortunately, we had to close. I just hope we get to open Wednesday.

We hosted our first playoff game in the new gym last week and we had two more scheduled for Tuesday night, the weather forced us to move them to Wednesday. We have a great facility. Hopefully these games will bring in substantial extra money for our Ag Booster Club who hosts the concession stand. We also keep the price reasonable in hopes to attract games to bring people into our community and improve our economy a little bit. I sure wish someone would reopen ZJ's Restaurant so folks would have a larger place to feed the groups of people that travel to these games. Someone could really do well with a full service restaurant here in Gorman right now.

I think Mr. Boles is about to drop. He has been working very hard lately driving back and forth to San Antonio. I think his dog bit him the other day when he visited his house, didn't recognize him. This time of year is sure hard on an Ag teacher, not just Shawn, but all of them! If you know Shawn or any of the other Ag teachers in Eastland County, give them a pat on the back next time you see them. They are all doing a great job with your kids and they work hard!

I hate to be the bearer of bad news, but we have had some struggling students that lost their eligibility to participate in their extracurricular activities when report cards came out. If you are the parent of one of these students, I highly encourage you to meet with your child's teacher to see how you can partner with them to motivate your child to succeed. It is a team effort and they are worth it!

If you have a child of elementary age, hopefully they arrived home with the Census Job Applicant Information. If there are any questions, call toll-free jobs line: 1-866-861-2010, or go on-line at www.2010censusjobs.gov. It is very important that we have local people work the Census to insure we get everyone counted.

The P.T.O. is conducting another Scholastic Book Fair March 29th through April 1st. The project that the P.T.O. is earning funds for is resurfacing the playground. This will be wonderful for the children as the surface will be an all weather, durable, and padded surface. The P.T.O. needs to be thanked for their efforts to provide this for the children. Volunteers are needed for the book fair. If you would be able to help, please sign and return the form below indicating what day and time you could work.

Extra pennies are wanted! We are still conducting a penny drive for Safety City to help with their new project; a police station. Please send your donations by your child and we will insure that it gets to Safety City.

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

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## Desdemona News

By Vonnie Guthery

**Desdemona Monthly Musical** will be held on Saturday, February 27th at the Community Center (former School Building). Concession Stand opens at 5:30 p.m. serving sandwiches, homemade pie and drinks. Come early to enjoy supper and have fellowship with all the group before the music program begins at 6:00 p.m. All area musicians, singers and visitors are invited to attend. This is an "SMOKE FREE" environment and the admission is "FREE".

Robert and Ima Brown was in Amarillo on Thursday, February 18th to visit his sister, Marge (Brown) Johnson and to help celebrate her 84th Birthday. Other family members to attend was her son, Lowell and family and her daughter, Carolyn and family. Marge attended school in Desdemona and graduated with the Class of 1942.

Albert Holdman had heart by-pass surgery last Thursday. Get well wishes to Albert from Friends of Desdemona.

Russell and Susan Duke and son, Bram of Houston; Elise and Katie Duke of Early visited the past weekend with Humpy and Betty Duke.

Remember the sick and shut-ins of our community with your cards and prayers.

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

Thanks and Have a great day, Coon.

## Senior Citizens News

By Carol Ward

We enjoyed another full house with 31 people out to fellowship on the 17th of February. Its good to have so many folks with many different dishes. Makes our dinner more interesting. It was great to have Anne and Henry Buchanan with us and all settled in on Kent Street. He is a retired Baptist Minister and was kind enough to give the blessing for us all.

Cathy Jentho, our County Clerk, came and talked to us about her position. Naturally she would like our vote, I had never met her before, was surprised she was born in Gorman. A very nice, pretty woman. She will have a lot of competition from Cecil Funderburgh.

We enjoyed a good variety of food at our dinner. There were fish sticks, salmon patties, German sausage and beef enchiladas by Beth Shirley. It was good the way she layered them. Much easier than rolling, must try some time. Anything easier for me works. Also beans, cabbage, Cole slaw, potato salad, given to us by the Livestock Raisers, Thanks a lot. We had mixed broccoli, cauliflower and carrots, green bean casserole and pea salad. Many good desserts were enjoyed. There were 3 cakes, brownies, pistachio dessert and Jello with fruit. Also Betty Regian was back with her good rolls, and our usual cornbread that we always make. Also we had to make more tea, there was such a crowd.

We heard Martha Rainey was in the Hospital. She has been missed. I'm sure she is home by now. Her daughter, Jill was here to eat with her son Ethan. Jennifer, Annie Fay Foster's granddaughter was also here to enjoy. I found out Annie Faye has been in Hospital, also. Don't know if she has returned home. Having trouble with her breathing again. Must call her.

It sure was good to see Ray and Goldie Warren. We had missed them for awhile. She and Ray prepare delicious dishes.

I talked to Wynogene Smith's daughter Barbara a week ago. Wynogene was in Georgetown with her other daughter, Debra. She is doing good while visiting. We sure miss her at our dinner. She was a regular for years. Sure miss her pies, so delicious.

It is snowing beautiful right now. I don't ever remember us having so much snow and such a cold winter. The coldest I know of was when my daughter was a baby, it got down to 8! Thats cold. But was only one day.

Hope all is well, and see you soon, Carol

P.S., Martha Rainey is home from the Hospital. Hope she can return soon.

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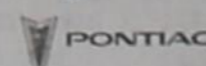
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