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Varsity Volleyball At Albany Tournament

The Gorman Varsity volleyball team participated in the Albany Volleyball Tournament this past weekend. Thursday they started off pool play with a win over Cornerstone 25-20 and 25-7. "We served incredibly well", head coach Jim Wood said "I think we had 19 aces for the match". "Holly and Melissa just blasted them off the court with their jump serves and Kinsey kept them off balance with her pin-point serving" Wood added. Kinsey Johnston - 8 aces, 4 kills; Cortney Shirley - 4 kills; Holly Wood - 5 aces, 4 assists; Melissa Ramirez - 6 aces, 3 blocks, 1 kill; Rachel Tucker - 2 blocks; and Megan Gray - 1 block, 3 assists.

The Lady Panthers next lost to Rotan 25-18, 23-25, 20-25. "I thought we started off this match really good but we started making more errors and losing our focus as the match went on" Wood said. He continued "(Rotan) kept the ball in play and didn't make any mistakes. They play very consistent and we didn't". Melissa - 7 kills, 2 blocks; Holly - 12 assists, 3 kills; Megan - 8 assists, 3 aces; Rachel - 6 digs, 4 Blocks; Kinsey - 8 kills, 2 aces; and Cortney - 5 kills.

Breckenridge beat the Lady Panthers 8-25, 25-23, 10-25 to end pool play. "We got rattled right off the bat and never recovered" Wood said. "In the second set we cut down on the errors and played to our potential with a nice win. But," he continued. "We started off the third set down again in a hurry with too many errors and just gave up too many points". Melissa - 7 blocks, 3 digs; Cortney - 3 kills, 2 digs; Holly - 3 assists, 2 blocks; Megan - 3 digs. Despite the 1-2 record in pool play, the Gorman girls still ended up second in pool play which put them in the Gold bracket.

On Saturday, the Lady Panthers stated off bracket play with a loss to Eastland 11-25, 21-25. "I felt like we started where we left off on Thursday, not very good." Wood said. "But something clicked with the girls towards the end of the second set and we really picked up our play" he continued "their intensity, movement, communication, everything just started working. It was very encouraging". Holly Wood - 5 assists, 3 digs; Cortney Shirley - 6 digs, 2 kills; Kinsey Johnston - 2 kills, 1 block; Melissa Ramirez - 3 kills, 2 blocks.

The Gorman Girls ended up bracket play with a loss to Bangs 17-25, 21-25. "The girls played one of their better matches since I have been here in Gorman. They played incredible in every aspect of the game" Wood said "Bangs is a great team, tall girls, big hitters, really quick and my girls hung with them". He added "I felt a couple of the girls came out of their shells and really stepped up. I am really proud of them". Rachel Tucker - 2 blocks; Megan Gray - 5 assists; Kinsey - 2 kills, 6 digs; Holly - 10 assists, 3 aces; Cortney - 6 kills, 8 digs; and Melissa - 7 kills, 4 blocks.

The Lady Panthers volleyball team will be back in action at home on Tuesday, August 16 against Santa Anna. They will then compete in their own Tournament on Thursday, Friday and Saturday, August 18, 19 and 20.

Gorman Panthers To Scrimmage In San Angelo TCLA

The Panthers continue to hold two-a-days. The panthers have a few players with injuries. The Scrimmage will be in San Angelo against San Angelo TCLA at 5:30 p.m. on Friday. The Panthers need support from the fans at the scrimmages. First game of the regular season will be August 26th in Eldorado at 7:30 p.m. Make plans to attend both the scrimmage and the first game of the new season. GO BIG RED!!!

Early Morning Vehicle Rollover Takes Life Of Gorman Man

An early morning crash occurred on Tuesday, August 16th in Eastland County. One person was killed in the one vehicle rollover crash located three miles East of Gorman on Farm Road 8 at 3:55 a.m.

Robert Allan Brown, 44 years of age from Gorman was pronounced dead at the scene by Judge D. J. Walker at 4:50 a.m. Robert was driving his 2009 Dodge Pickup when he failed to negotiate a curve in the roadway due to his speed. The Dodge pickup overturned multiple times ejecting the driver. The weather was clear and the road was dry. The crash is being investigated by Texas Highway Patrol Trooper Buddy Wise.

Services pending at press time at Higginbotham Funeral Home in Gorman.

Gorman EDC Notes

Wow! Isn't rain wonderful?

Peanut Festival time is here again and I need judges for the Bake-Off. Those of you that have already signed up, I thank you, but we do need a few more judges.

Let's welcome all those coming to town for the Auction being held at the Peanut Butter Factory. The Auction will start at 2:00 p.m. and finish in time for everyone to get to the dance.

I want to thank the Building and Standards committee for all their hard work. Slowly but surely the clean-up is getting done. Sometimes their job is a thankless one, so remember to tell them how much we appreciate them.

This is a busy time for a few people, contact those in charge of Peanut Festival and volunteer to help. It will certainly be appreciated. There is a lot of planning and work that goes into a successful Festival.

Lady Panthers Volleyball Start Season

The Varsity Volleyball Team started their season on the road in Poolville last Tuesday, August 9th. After a five set match they came up short in the win column 26-28, 18-25, 25-16, 28-26, and 13-15. "I felt we should have won the first set of their score keeper had trouble with a call, that got reversed at the end of that set", second year head coach Jim Wood said "we should have won that set 25-23 which would of helped us win the match". He continued "despite all of that the girls played incredible, never giving up".

Stat leaders were Cortney Shirley - 12 kills, 7 digs, 4 aces; Melissa Ramirez - 8 kills, 7 aces, 7 digs, 3 blocks; Kinsey Johnston - 8 kills, 5 aces, 3 digs; Holly Wood - 15 assists, 9 aces, 3 digs, 2 kills; Rachel Tucker - 3 blocks, 3 kills; Megan Gray - 9 assists, 3 aces.

QUEEN'S CONTEST

This year's contest will be on Sunday, September 4th. Any girl entering Kindergarten thru 12th grade enrolled in Gorman school is eligible.

We have 3 age groups and would love to have you represent Gorman as our next Queen. The High School girls will also be eligible to win a \$250.00 scholarship.

For more information, please contact Becca Woodall @ 254-734-3359 or Chris Hunter @ 325-280-3193.

Entry deadline is Friday, Aug. 26th.

Youth Football/Cheerleading Signups!!!

FINAL SIGNUPS will be Thursday, Aug. 18th from 5 to 7 P.M. in the School Auditorium and Tuesday, August 22nd from 5:30 to 7:00 p.m. at the Community Center. 1st and 2nd grades will be playing Flag Football and the cost is \$35.00 per child. 3rd and 4th Grades and 5th and 6th grades will be playing Tackle Football and the cost is \$55.00 per child. If you child will be playing tackle please bring them with you to sign ups so that they can be fitted for equipment.

Thank You
Gorman Youth Sports Council

Regional Economic Development Workshop



Gorman Economic Development Director Cliffla Vaughn joined economic and community development representatives from throughout the region at the TSTC campus on August 10 to hear presentations related to enhancing local economic development initiatives.

A workshop entitled "Operating in the World of Economic Development" offered presentations by several E.D. specialists. Topics included: update on new state-wide Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS); WCTCOG programs supporting local economic development; how to use the regional Internet data portal hosted by ACU; funding sources/developing good sites/infrastructure issues; report on regional study that identified target industries; and overview of Business and Community Leaders of Texas.

The workshop was open to members and guests of the Texas Midwest Economic Development Alliance. The Alliance was formed in 1999 to provide educational and networking support to TMCN cities actively engaged in economic development.

The E.D. Alliance is one of several programs conducted by Texas Midwest Community Network, an organization of "communities working together to accomplish what one community cannot do alone." The regional organization sponsors a number of networking events during the year as well as projects to market the region for business and tourism development.

TMCN member cities include: Abilene, Albany, Anson, Aspermont, Baird, Ballinger, Brady, Breckenridge, Bronte, Brownwood, Buffalo Gap, Cisco, Clyde, Coleman, Colorado City, Comanche, Cross Plains, De Leon, Dublin, Early, Eastland, Eden, Goldthwaite, Gorman, Hamilton, Hamlin, Haskell, Hico, Knox City, Menard, Merkel, Miles, Munday, Ranger, Robert Lee, Rising Star, Roscoe, Rotan, San Angelo, San Saba, Santa Anna, Snyder, Stamford, Sweetwater, Throckmorton, Tye and Winters. For more information about TMCN visit the website texasmidwest.org.

Gorman Volleyball Girls Earn National Academic Award

Lexington, KY -- The American Volleyball Coaches Association (AVCA) announced that 481 teams have earned the AVCA Team Academic Award for the 2010-2011 season. The award, which was initiated the 1992-03 academic year, honors collegiate and high school volleyball teams that displayed excellence in the classroom during the school year by maintaining at least a 3.30 cumulative team grade-point average on a 4.0 scale or a 4.10 cumulative team GPA on a 5.0 scale.

"A hearty congratulations to all the volleyball coaches whose teams won the 2011 AVCA Team Academic Award," said AVCA Executive Director, Kathy DeBoer. "Teams do not succeed in the classroom by accident any more than they do on the court. The same coach who taught them volleyball skills cared enough about their academic achievement to gather their grades, calculate their GPA, and submit a nomination on their behalf. In doing so, these coaches sent a clear message that classroom success is just as important as court success. All involved should celebrate this award!"

There were 281 Collegiate women's teams, six Collegiate men's teams, 178 High School girls teams, and 16 High School boys teams earning this years Team Academic Award. Of the 178 High Schools from across the nation, 30 are from Texas, and out of those, Gorman is the only High School from the Big Country and West Texas area, as well as the only 1A school in Texas, to receive the award.

Members of the Gorman Lady Panthers volleyball team were Jaime Johnston, Jaylon Miley, Chelsea Griffith, Ally Little, Cortney Shirley, Rachel Tucker, Kinsey Johnston, Melissa Ramirez, Holly Wood and head coach Jim Wood.

"Thank You"

We want to thank all you attended the Celebration of our 50th Wedding Anniversary and for all the cards we have received. We appreciate you for making it a memorable event.

A Special Thank You to our daughters, Vicki and Julie for their hard work of putting it all together. You did a great job. We love you.
May God bless each and everyone.

Corky and Jerry Brown

Gorman JV Volleyball News

The Lady Panther Junior Varsity Volleyball season is well under way. Our 8 member team warmed up with scrimmages on August 5th and 6th.

On Tuesday, August 9th we traveled to Poolville. We made some good adjustments but lost in 2 sets 13-25 and 18-25. The girls are having a good time while adjusting to the high school game.

Lady Panther JV Volleyball team competed in the Albany JV Tournament on Friday, August 12th. In our first match of the day we played a tough Bronte squad. The scores of 6-25, 15-25 didn't reflect the great improvement of the team. We have made great strides in all aspects of the game individually and collectively.

Our second match of the day we played Archer City. The team played a little flat and lost the games 6-25 and 7-25. The JV Lady Panthers continue to improve and learn a great deal.

We have noted steady improvement in serving and exciting our offense. We also display great attitudes and effort.

Band Booster Meeting

There will be a Band Booster Meeting on Thursday, August 25th at the Band Hall. We will fit uniforms at 6:30 p.m. With meeting to follow at 7:30 p.m. We would like to invite all Community Members interested in helping with the growth and success of our band program to attend the meeting. If you have any questions please call Tiffany Childers at 734-6160 or Becca Woodall at 734-3359.

Open House Aug. 18th

OPEN HOUSE
Open House is scheduled for Gorman Independent Schools on Thursday, August 18th from 5:30 till 7:00.

State Goat

and Sheep Validations

If you will be needing a sheep or goat state validation tag, please let Mr. Boles know as soon as possible. These tag numbers will have to be turned in next week to be ordered. You can notify Mr. Boles at (254)734-3171.

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Obituaries

Delmon Fred Eaves

Delmon Fred Eaves, age 79 of Gorman, passed away Tuesday, August 9, 2011 in Ennis, Texas.
 Services were at 10:00 A.M. Saturday at the Higginbotham Funeral Home Chapel with nephew, Glendal Laminack officiating. Burial followed at Simpson Cemetery.
 Fred was born November 1, 1931 in the Kokomo Community to F.C. (Tidy) Eaves and Erma (Neill) Eaves. He married Joyce Lavelle Graham on April 10, 1952 in Kokomo. Fred retired from Texas Electric Service Company in 1986 after 28 years of service. He was a wonderful husband, father and grandfather and the caretaker of the Kokomo Community and Simpson Cemetery. He was also a member of the Kokomo Baptist Church. He was a veteran serving in the United States Army during the Korean War.

He is survived by his son, Mark Eaves and wife, Margaret of Charlotte, NC; daughter, Deliah Lewis and husband, Randy of Ennis; two sisters, Verna Laminack of Fort Worth and Louise Brown of Lake Jackson; three grandsons, Christopher Lewis of Ennis, Jonathan Lewis of Ennis and Preston Eaves of Charlotte, NC; a host of nieces and nephews and many "near children". He was preceded in death by his parents, his wife, Joyce of 53 years, one sister, Verda Mae Norris, one brother, Neill Eaves and two nephews Mack Eaves and Kenneth Eaves.

Visitation was at 6:00 P.M. to 8:00 P.M. Friday evening at the funeral home.

Memorials may be made to the Simpson Cemetery Association or the Kokomo Community Center.

Brae Michael Lynch

Brae Michael Lynch, infant son, of Michael and Kendra Lynch died Monday, August 8, 2011 at a Bridgeport Hospital.

Graveside services were 10:00 A.M. Thursday at the Eastland Cemetery with Richard Watson officiating.

Survivors are parents, Michael and Kendra Lynch of Eastland; sister, Daxlee Lynch of Eastland; maternal grandparents, Able and Sally Saldana of Ranger; paternal grandparents, Ken and Linda Lynch of Carbon; aunt, Deedra Coker of Austin, uncle, Kent Long of Arlington, aunt, Delina Linnville of Alvarado; maternal great grandmother, Twyla Moore of Laverne, OK. He was preceded in death by his grandfather, Jesse Kip Bailey, maternal great grandparents, Lumb and Irene Buckaloo and great grandfather, Dewey Moore, paternal great grandparents, Standley and Dolores Clark.

A Letter To The Editor

By Henry A. Buchanan

On Cheating In School

Somebody has been caught cheating in the Atlanta, Georgia schools. No, it wasn't Johnny the little right brain boy who could not learn his long division tables. It wasn't the freshman Latin student trying to ride a pony on Caesar's invasion of Gaul. It wasn't even a high schooler with a flair for language but trying to get a passing grade in geometry. It was the teacher.

The teacher had to show that the students were making progress. Worse it was he Principal who would fire teachers if Johnny's grades were low. Worse still, it was the Superintendent who was in charge of the whole game.

Yes, The Superintendent who got a big bonus of six hundred thousand dollars because the records showed that Atlanta schools were succeeding in keeping Johnny's scores in math up high enough to compete with Chinese children. But the records were false. Johnny couldn't do math but the Superintendent could add up to six hundred thousand dollars in bonuses and with that sort of money the superintendent could ride all over Gaul on a spotted pony. Or do plane geometry like a math whiz.

It wasn't always that way. Once upon a time Miss Florrie presided over the education of boys and girls in the district where I went to school near Macon, Georgia. And if Miss Florrie had caught me cheating she would have used the Orangewood Paddle Board of Education on my backsides, and then she would have taken me home to face Mama and Papa and there I would learn geography facing the south end of a mule going north. But that's nothing to what would have happened to a teacher in Miss Florrie's school who would later the record of my arithmetic grades. And if Mister Jones, who was Superintendent had turned in false records on Joe Hill Hall's performance, Oh My God!

(s) Henry A. Buchanan

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Sherod William "Jud" Thompson, Jr.

Sherod William "Jud" Thompson, Jr., age 88 of Gorman, passed away on Thursday, August 11, 2011 at Homestead Nursing Home in Gorman, Texas.

Jud was born May 11, 1923 in Hamilton County, Texas to Sherod William Thompson, Sr. and Lenora Bell (Harvey) Thompson. He married Mary "Tince" Freeman on April 22, 1944 in Howard County, Texas and she preceded him in death on November 30, 2007. Jud drove a truck for Birdsong Peanuts and retired from there in 1986. He then worked for Arlton Smith Peanut Dryers during each peanut season for several years. He was a lifelong farmer and rancher. He was a Baptist. Jud was a veteran serving in the U.S. Army during W.W. II.

Jud is survived by his son, Larry Thompson and wife, Kristi of Gorman, Texas; daughter, Lenora Speer and husband, Jessie of Ranger, Texas; daughter, Doris Marshall and husband, Jerry of Temple, Texas; fourteen Grandchildren and twenty-four Great-Grandchildren and another one on the way. He was preceded in death by his wife, Mary Thompson; daughter, Ethel Mae Johnston and her husband, Rodney Johnston, his parents, five brothers and nine sisters.

Christine Inez Crews

Christine Inez Crews, age 46, passed away August 11, 2011 in the Homestead Nursing Home. Graveside services were Monday, August 15, 2011 in Gorman-Oaklawn Cemetery. She was born August 8, 1965 in Mineral Wells, Texas. She married Frank Crews in Houston, Texas.

Survivors include her husband, Frank Crews of Gorman; two sons, Adam Crews and wife Krisha of Houston and Corey Crews and wife, Maria of Mineral Wells; parents Johnny and Janie Alvarez of Mineral Wells; sister, Victoria Duncan and husband, Steve of Mineral Wells; two brothers, Johnny Alvarez, Jr. of Mineral Wells and Albert Fernandez of Arlington; mother-in-law, Faye Huff of Gorman; seven very special grandchildren several uncles, and cousins; one very special God daughter, Mia Duncan; Influences in her life, Aunt Jovita Barton of Mineral Wells and Uncle Ray Mata of Dallas; brother-in-laws, Lloyd Crews and family and Ricky Crews and family; sister-in-law, Carmel Chandler and children; brother and sister-in-law, Tommy and JoAnn Waller; brother-in-law, Freddy Huff and Aunt, Jesse Woolsey.

The State Of Texas County of Eastland

Notice of a Hearing by the Eastland County Commissioner's Court

Whereas, pursuant to the provisions of Texas Local Government Code, §241.017 (b) and (c), notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be held before the Eastland County Commissioners' Court on the 2nd day of September, 2011, in the Eastland County Commissioners' Courtroom, Eastland, Texas at 9:00 a.m., for the purpose of hearing all parties in interest and citizens who desire to be heard concerning airport zoning regulations to be considered for adoption by the Eastland County Commissioners' Court pertaining to airport hazard areas within the unincorporated areas of Eastland County, Texas.

Dated this 12th day of August, 2011.

(s) Rex Fields, Eastland County Judge

The State Of Texas County of Eastland

Notice of a Hearing by the Eastland County Airport Zoning Commission

Whereas, pursuant to the provisions of Texas Local Government Code, §241.017 (b) and (c), notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be held before the Eastland County Zoning Commission on the 30th day of August, 2011, in the Eastland Courthouse 1st Floor Conference Room, Eastland, Texas at 10:00 a.m., for the purpose of hearing all parties in interest and citizens who desire to be heard concerning airport zoning regulations to be considered for adoption by the Eastland County Airport Zoning Commission pertaining to airport hazard areas within the unincorporated areas of Eastland County, Texas.

Dated this 8th day of August, 2011.

(s) Ronnie Ledbetter, Eastland County Airport Zoning Commission

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ORDINANCE NO. 2011-02 AN ORDINANCE GRANTING TO ONCOR ELECTRIC DELIVERY COMPANY LLC, ITS SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS, AN ELECTRIC POWER FRANCHISE TO USE THE PRESENT AND FUTURE STREETS, ALLEYS, HIGHWAYS, PUBLIC UTILITY EASEMENTS, PUBLIC WAYS AND PUBLIC PROPERTY OF THE CITY OF GORMAN, TEXAS, PROVIDING FOR COMPENSATION THEREFOR, PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE AND A TERM OF SAID FRANCHISE, PROVIDING FOR WRITTEN ACCEPTANCE OF THIS FRANCHISE, PROVIDING FOR THE REPEAL OF ALL EXISTING FRANCHISE ORDINANCES TO ONCOR ELECTRIC DELIVERY COMPANY LLC, ITS PREDECESSORS AND ASSIGNS, AND FINDING THAT THE MEETING AT WHICH THIS ORDINANCE IS PASSED IS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC. BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GORMAN, TEXAS. 2-8-25 C.

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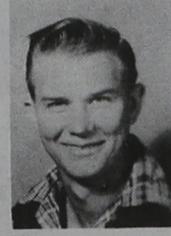
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Nita Magee



Joe Mauney



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Rena Wright



James Yarbrough



Arthur Yarbrough



Mrs. T. L. Wright

Class of 1951 to Hold Reunion During Gorman Exes Homecoming

Several classes from Gorman High School are planning reunions at the Gorman Exes Homecoming on Saturday September 10 in conjunction with the Peanut Festival. Shown in the pictures are members of the Class of 1951.



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Craig Family 2011 Reunion

Saturday, August 13, 2011, members of the William S and Ruth Wilhite Craig family met in Desdemona for their annual reunion. After over a month of very hot weather, mother nature sent a beautiful rain for the day which cooled everything off to a dry comfortable temperature for the event. Those attending this year were Daughter and son-in-law of Bill Craig, Mike and Sandy Stepken, a grandson and his friend Clint Reid from Stephenville, Texas and friend Kina Bale from Dallas, Texas. Gerry Craig Zummer from Carbon, her daughter Jana Holland from Arlington, Granddaughter Kristi Johnston, and great grand daughter, Sterling Johnston also came from Arlington. Maxine Craig Lawless and Daughter Rhonda came from DeLeon. Judy Craig from Fort Worth, her Son Louis, his wife Sharaine and son Jack from Burleon and Louis's son Clay with wife Kendall, children Skyler Ann and Caylee Craig from the metroplex. Jim Craig came from Houston. Mary Craig Garza, son Scott Hall, Daughter and son in law Theresa and Wayne Hook, daughter Vickie Barber and Vickies son Justin from Austin. Justin's friend Lisa Chance. Doris Craig Whitley from Granbury, Vera Craig Love and her husband Dick Love from Horseshoe Bend, and Doug Craig from Desdemona attended. Cousins' Nancy Bond from Desdemona, and Mary Anderson from Georgetown with her son Hub McNett from Granbury. Everyone enjoyed visiting and catching up on events in each other's lives. Hopefully next year more members will be able to attend, but the heat and some health problems interfered. Until next time.

Homestead Happenings

Last week we enjoyed "Elvis Week". Johnny Smith let us borrow his record player and some of his Elvis Albums. But the highlight of the week was on Wednesday afternoon when we were honored to have "Elvis" (minus his costume) aka Tommy Carr. Opening for Elvis was "Loretta Lynn/Patsy Cline" aka LaVerne Carr. What a GREAT time. If you were not looking at Tommy and LaVerne you would have thought we had Elvis and Loretta/Patsy in the building as they sang Elvis, Patsy Cline and Loretta Lynn songs. We hope to have them back soon. We ended the week with an Elvis movie, pop corn and coke.

We extend our deepest heartfelt sympathy to the families and friends of S.W.(Jud) Thompson and Christine Crews.

We would like to welcome Floydene Gilbert and Lilly Rubio. We are honored to have them join us at Homestead.

Monthly birthday party will be held on Monday Aug. 29 following gospel singing. Those having birthdays in August are Melvin Daniels on Aug. 11 and Wes Couch on Aug. 28. We will also remember Christine Crews as her birthday was on Aug. 8.

Visiting with Edgar Reynolds were Margery Churchville of White Settlement, Jaime and Kinsey Johnston, B.J. Rameriz, Kenneth Welch, Nelda Mauney, Johnny Smith and B.E. Simpson. Kevin, Amber, Jordan and Weldon of Roswell, NM visited all the residents and the boys came to tell the residents by as they were headed back to Roswell to start to school. The boys spent their summer in Gorman and visited at Homestead often.

Tonja Carmack and girls of Ft. Worth and Bo Caraway visited Rozelle Caraway. Sonja Hipolito visited Nell McAnally. Sha Penny of Atlanta Tx visited Mary Kirk. Visiting Floydene Gilbert were Nell Gilbert of Katy, John Gilbert of DeLeon, Vicki Campbell of Brownwood and Carolyn Gilbert. Wanda Shaw of Colman, Patricia McMillan of Brownwood visited Ora Lee Lawrence. Tommy and LaVerne Carr of Whitney visited Troy Scitem. Visiting Ima Brown were Nell Gilbert of Katy and Jana Grice. Brent Lasater visited Mayvis Lasater, Mary Lou Smith of Abilene and Henry Shook of DeLeon visited Mary Shook.

Everyone praised God for the rain. We just need a little more. Have a good week.

Foreign Persons Must Reporter U.S. Agricultural land Holdings

The USDA Farm Service Agency (FSA) reminds foreign persons with an interest in agricultural land in the United States that they are required to report their holdings and any transactions to the U.S. Secretary of Agriculture.

Any foreign person who acquires, transfers, or holds any interest, other than a security interest, in agricultural land in the United States is required by law to report the transaction no later than 90 days after the date of the transaction.

Foreign investors must file Agricultural Foreign Investment Disclosure Act (AFIDA) reports with the FSA county office that maintains reports for the county where the land is located.

Failure to file a report, filing a late report, or filing an inaccurate report can result in a penalty with fines up to 25 percent of the fair market value of the agricultural land.

For AFIDA purposes, agricultural land is defined as any land used for farming, ranching, or timber production if the tracts total 10 acres or more.

Disclosure reports are also required when there are changes in land use. For example, reports are required when land use changes from nonagricultural to agricultural or from agricultural to nonagricultural. Foreign investors must also file a report when there is a change in the status of ownership such as owner changes from foreign to non-foreign, from non-foreign to foreign or from foreign to foreign.

Data gained from these disclosures is used to prepare an annual report to the President and Congress concerning the effect of such holdings upon family farms and rural communities in the United States.

For more information regarding AFIDA and FSA programs, contact the Eastland County FSA office at 254-629-1636 or visit the USDA Web site at <http://www.usda.gov>.

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Clogged Justice System Leads to Recidivism

NewsUSA

(NU) - Despite enormous interest in the outcome of the Casey Anthony trial, more questions have emerged than answers. The truth is that the criminal justice system remains a vast enigma to the majority of the population.

Popular television programs have led juries and the public to expect hard evidence including fingerprints, DNA analysis and other forensic evidence clearly pointing to perpetrators, but the facts are seldom so clear-cut.

"One problem is that there are so many crimes in the U.S. today that the system is clogged with huge numbers of offenders," explains Greg Little, an experienced psychologist who specializes in criminal treatment.

"There is no way that the system can do what the public now expects on each case," Little says.

Along with his colleagues, Little has issued a new textbook on the way the justice system treats offenders. Most offenders are diagnosable with a criminal personality, known as antisocial personality disorder (ASPD).

"ASPD is the professional term for psychopath or sociopath," Little explains. "About 4 percent of the adult population has the disorder, with adult men showing a rate of nearly 6 percent."

The disorder has a severity scale with a wide range of behavior. The less severe ones lie, cheat and take advantage; the most severe are violent and resort to murder. If you look out your front door



Most offenders can be diagnosed with antisocial personality disorder, which requires specific rehabilitation.

and see five other houses, chances are that there is a psychopath living in at least one house.

In Little's book "Antisocial Personality Disorder and Criminal Justice," the extent of the problem in America is made clear. Nearly 15 million arrests are made in America each year, but jails house only 800,000 individuals awaiting trial.

Prisons hold another 1.5 million people, but 5 million other convicted criminals are living in the community under parole or probation. Within three years, about 40 percent of probationers will be arrested again. After release from prison, an astonishing 67 percent will be rearrested.

According to Little and colleagues, society should not give up on offenders, nor should it be discouraged by the way the justice system handles crime.

For more information, check out www.ccmrt.com.

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Gorman City Minutes

JULY 21, 2011

The Gorman City Commission met on the above date. Those present were Mayor Robert Ervin, Commissioners Durward Webb, Joe Casey, Kenneth Good, and David Stanley. Others present were Glenn Scitem Public Works Dir., Barbara Fenley Chief of Police, Ken Martin of Jacob / Martin Engineering, Cameron Gulley CPA, Lisa and Lindsey Laminack, and David Gray.

Kenneth 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.

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

David made the motion to pay all bills except for the ULRMWD bill, Robert is going to first visit again with Gary Lacy before payment. Durward made a second. Motion carried 4-0.

Lisa Laminack, Lindsey Laminack, and David Gray were present regarding the dogs belonging to Bobby Jay. David Gray had to pull dogs off and away from Lindsey and the stroller she was pushing. Four other complaints have been written and filed at City office in regards to these dogs biting and chasing. Pictures have been taken illustrating that the dogs were not in Jay's yard. Questions were also asked why the dogs were not penned up. Barbara advised that action already been taken for most of the complaints.

The Commission discussed the probation period of Leland Rainey. Durward made the motion to increase Leland's wage per hour by \$1, add him to the City's insurance, and have Leland get to Dr. Dan's for hepatitis shots. David made a second. Motion carried 4-0.

Ken Martin of Jacob and Martin Engineering was present to discuss all of the grant apps that had been submitted and approximately what date the grants should be awarded. He explained the process it takes after applying for these grants. He reintegrated he was still trying different avenues to pursue for grant funds to replace the water lines.

Cameron Gulley was present to present the City's 2010-2011 Annual Audit with the Commission. Mr. Gulley was extremely pleased with the fiscal year end balances. He commended the Commission, Tacy And Jill for the jobs performed that helped the City gain some much needed ground.

The Community Center was tabled for this meeting.

After notification from Gary Lacy of Upper Leon, Durward made the motion to put into effect Stage 2 of the Drought Contingency Plan. Joe made a second to the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

There being no further business for discussion. David made the motion to adjourn with a second from Durward. Motion carried 4-0, time was 6:50 p.m.

NOTICE OF MEETING

Notice is hereby given that Eastland County Commissioner's Court will meet in a **Special Meeting** at 8:30 a.m. On Monday, August 22, 2011 in Eastland County Commissioner's Courtroom, Eastland, Texas, to consider the following agenda items:

1. Public Hearing on the proposed County Clerk Records Preservation/Archive Plan (Local Government Code 118.025) County Clerk.
2. Public Hearing on the proposed District Clerk Records Preservation/Archive Plan (Texas Government Code SEC. 51.305) District Clerk.

Posted by order of Eastland County Commissioner's Court

Any of the above and foregoing agenda items, which require action, may be acted upon by the Commissioner's Court

2011 Property Tax Rates in Gorman City

This notice concerns 2011 property tax rates for Gorman City. It presents information about three tax rates. Last year's tax rate is the actual rate the taxing unit used to determine property taxes last year. This year's effective tax rate would impose the same total taxes as last year if you compare properties taxed in both years. This year's rollback tax rate is the highest tax rate the taxing unit can set before taxpayers can start tax rollback procedures. In each case these rates are found by dividing the total amount of taxes by the tax base (the total value of taxable property) with adjustments as required by state law. The rates are given per \$100 of property value.

Last year's tax rate:

Last year's operating taxes	\$ 258,709
Last year's debt taxes	\$ 0
Last year's total taxes	\$ 258,709
Last year's tax base	\$ 24,639,020
Last year's total tax rate	\$ 1.05 /\$100

This year's effective tax rate:

Last year's adjusted taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property)	\$ 258,709
/ This year's adjusted tax base (after subtracting value of new property)	\$ 23,307,230
= This year's effective tax rate	\$ 1.10999 /\$100

This year's rollback tax rate:

Last year's adjusted operating taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property and adjusting for any transferred function, tax increment financing, and/or enhanced indigent health care expenditures)	\$ 258,709
/ This year's adjusted tax base	\$ 23,307,230
= This year's effective operating rate	\$ 1.10999 /\$100
x 1.08 = this year's maximum operating rate	\$ 1.19878 /\$100
+ This year's debt rate	\$ 0 /\$100
= This year's total rollback rate	\$ 1.19878 /\$100

STATEMENT OF INCREASE / DECREASE

If Gorman City adopts a 2011 tax rate equal to the effective tax rate of \$ 1.10999 per \$ 100 of value, taxes would increase compared to 2010 taxes by \$ 1088.

Schedule A- Unencumbered Fund Balances

The following estimated balances will be left in the unit's property tax accounts at the end of the fiscal year. These balances are not encumbered by a corresponding debt obligation.

Type of Property Tax Account	Balance
Maintenance & Operation	-0-

This notice contains a summary of actual effective and rollback tax rates' calculations. You can inspect a copy of the full calculations at:

Gorman City Hall
Gorman, Texas

Name of person preparing this notice: Steve Thomas, RPA
Title: Chief Appraiser
Eastland CAD
Date Prepared: August 2, 2011

ITEMS OF INTEREST

Gorman Senior Citizens meet once a month on Wednesday at 11:30 in the Gorman Senior Center. Bring Covered Dish or \$3.00 Per Plate.

The Order of the Eastern Star holds its regular stated meetings on the First Monday of each month at 7:30 p.m.

4-H - The Club is going to meet the first Wednesday of each month in the New Gym. All people interested in participating are encouraged to attend. The meeting will be at 3:45 -4:45. For more information Call Cindy Underwood 734-5085.

SANDRA CAGLE WILL BE IN GORMAN AT THE CITY OFFICE TO RENEW AUTO LICENSE PLATES. HER NEXT VISIT IS WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 17TH FROM 9 TIL NOON.

Oakland Cemetery Association is accepting donations for the Care of the Cemetery. Donations can be sent to Oakland Cemetery Association, P. O. Box 532, Gorman, Tx 76454 or to American State Bank, Gorman, Texas 76454

Food Bank
New Hours - 10 to 11 a.m.
Second Thursday

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. Cecil Funderburgh, Master - Kenneth Good, Secretary.

Gorman Oaklawn Cemetery Association is accepting donations for the Care of the Cemetery. Donations can be sent to Oaklawn Cemetery Association, 7726 CR 362, Desdemona, Tx 76445 or to American State Bank, Gorman, Texas 76454