

# Gorman Progress



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## Melon Patch Tour Seeks Cheering Crowds

If you watched Lance Armstrong ride to victory in the recent Tour de France and longed to join the cheering masses along the route, the Melon Patch Tour has the next best thing! Come out on Saturday, August 11<sup>th</sup> and find out what the excitement is all about. For the eighth year in row, Ina Smith and Amy Johnston, along with their awesome group of volunteers will welcome Melon Patch participants into the friendly town of Gorman. The cyclists will make their way up FM 679 from Duster where they will be treated to a much-needed break at First Fruits Church. They will then travel west on FM 8, making a right-hand turn onto Highway 6. Their final rest stop is located at its usual place at the fruit stand on Highway 6, where these athletes will gear up for the final leg into De Leon. The Melon Patch Tour is known throughout the cycling community as one of the best rides in Texas, and much of that reputation was built on the friendliness of the folks along the route. Come on out Saturday and cheer these guys on. Who knows - you may even see the next Lance Armstrong!

## Desdemona Homecoming and School Reunion Saturday, August 11

Desdemona Homecoming and School Reunion will be on Saturday, August 11th at the Community Center (school building).

Program will begin at 10:00 a.m. The noon meal will be catered by the Gorman Ag Boosters. Make plans to attend and visit with your former classmates, teachers and friends.

### PROGRAM

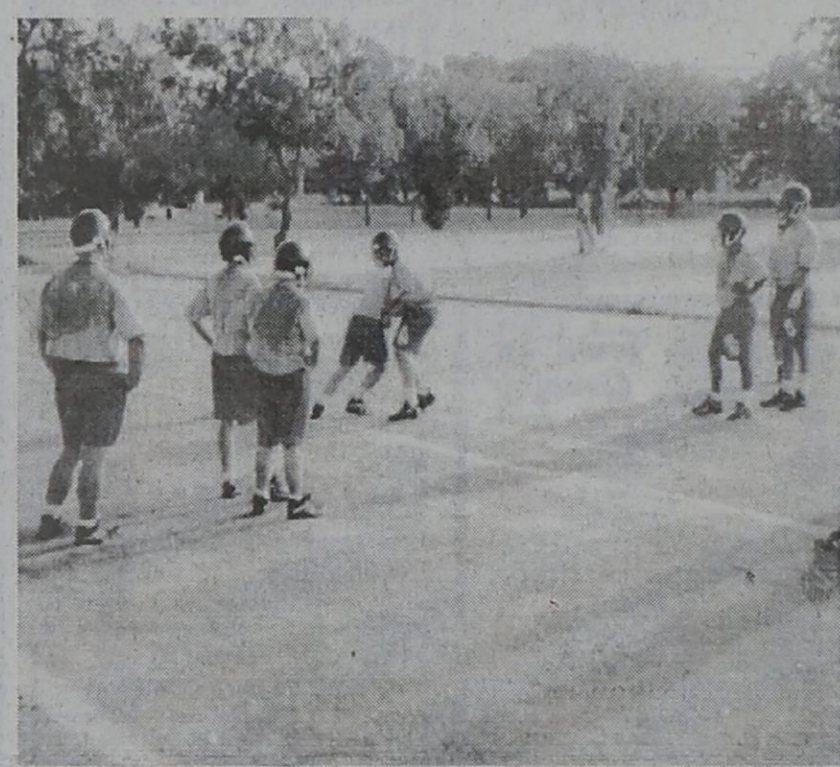
10:00 a.m. - 12 Noon	August 11, 2001
Master of Ceremonies	Harold "Buckshot" Lewis
Invocation	Donald Holder
Flags	Hagan Moore, Chelsea and Cory White
Congregational Song	Ann Keith
Welcome Address	Pug Guthery
Music	Raymond Hart, Philip Lewis and son, Robert
Response	Bernard Keith
Music	Bernard and Ann Keith
Recognition of Visitors	Harold Lewis
A. Oldest Woman Present	
B. Oldest Man Present	
C. Person Who Traveled Farthest	
Music	Raymond Hart, Philip Lewis and Son, Robert
Song	Sarah Lewis
Memorial Service	Tresa Anderson, Matthew Lovelace
Benediction	Bro. Mitchell Greer
12 Noon -- Adjourn For Lunch	
Catered by Gorman Ag Boosters Award Plaques Donated By Bobby Koonce	

*You are Invited to a  
Bridal Shower  
honoring  
Madelyn Wilkins  
Bride elect of Jeremy Bryan  
at First Baptist Church Gorman  
Saturday, August 11, 2001  
10:00-11:00 a.m.*

## Sipe Springs VFD Fish Fry Panthers Started Two-a-Days Workouts On Monday

The Sipe Springs Volunteer Fire Department will have an all-you-can-eat Fish Fry on Monday, August 13, at Cook's Fish Barn on Hwy 36 beginning at 6:00 p.m. Come eat with us and help support the Sipe Springs V.F.D. Thank you for your support.

The Gorman Panther Football Squad of 2001 began workouts on Monday at the local practice facility in preparation of the upcoming season. They are in two-a-day workouts at the present and are receiving instructions from the new Coaching Staff. The drills are working very well and the players are getting their bodies tuned to the training rigors. The Panthers will be scrimmaging at Santo and then will host Lometa here in a scrimmage for Soap and Towel Night before opening the regular season.



### City Minutes

August 2, 2001  
The Gorman City Commission met on the above date. Those present were Mayor Robert Ervin, Commissioners Judy Warren, Donnie Rodgers, Alex Granado, and Bill Vaughn. Others present were Chief Doug Caffey, Judge Vicki Seay, and Glenn Scitern. Mayor Ervin called the meeting to order at 5:07 p.m. Donnie made the motion to approve the minutes as read. Bill made a second and the motion carried 4-0. Donnie made the motion to approve the bills for payment. Alex made a second to the motion. The motion carried 4-0. No action on Citizens In-Put. Each department head submitted a department report for the month. Doug, Glenn and Vicki were present also. Vicki gave a briefing of the school she completed. No action was needed. On New and Old Business Judy made the motion to accept Clarks Bldg. Supply's bid on putting carpet in the Charlie Garrett Memorial Library. Donnie made a second and the motion carried 4-0. At 6:27 p.m. Judy made the motion to go into Executive Session. Alex made a second. The motion carried 4-0. At 7:12 p.m. Judy made the motion to adjourn from Executive Session and return to Regular Session. Alex made a second and the motion carried 4-0.

Judy made the motion to hire Hank Rainey for part-time employment. Part-time employees do not get city benefits. Alex made a second and the motion carried 4-0. Judy made the motion to raise Judge Vicki Seay's salary since she has gone to school and received her certification and has satisfied the ninety day probation period that the City Commission requires. Donnie made a second and the motion carried 4-0. There being no further for discussion Judy made the motion to adjourn. Bill made a second. The motion carried 4-0.

## Panther Cheerleaders Receive Special Awards At Cheerleading Camp in Stephenville



The Gorman High School Cheerleaders also received several awards this year at camp. They were presented a trophy for Most Improved Squad, they received the NCA Spirit Stick, and also earned two Stunt Smart Awards. Five of the girls on the squad was nominated to try out for All American Cheerleader. They are as follows: Ashley Maupin, Ashley Hornback, Andrea Files, Mandy Warren and Sarah Lewis. Mandy and Sarah made All American Cheerleader. Those who make All American have the opportunity to perform at special events at one of the following places--Dallas; Miami, FL; Honolulu, HA, or Maui, HA. At this time, Mandy plans to attend one of the events in Hawaii in December or January.

### 4-Hers Place at State 4-H Horse Show

Four Eastland County 4-Hers competed in the 2001 State 4-H Horse Show held July 22-28, 2001 in Abilene. Kristin Wilson placed 11th in the Pole Bending and Meagan Reynolds placed 21st in Trail. Kristal Brown came back in the short go around of the team Robbing while Carrie Shipps competed in the 2 Year Old Futurity. These 4-Hers competed with over 600 youth from across Texas. Congratulations to these 4-Hers from Eastland County.

## ITEMS OF INTEREST TO AREA FOLKS

**LIBRARY** — Charlie Garrett Memorial Library will be open Monday thru Friday from 3 to 5 p.m.  
**GORMAN GROW MEETING** — The Gorman Grow will meet on the Third Monday of every month at 6:30 p.m. in the Gorman Senior Citizen Building. Contact Payton Vaughn, Veronica Seaton or Lori Dodd.  
**BLOOD PRESSURE CHECKS** — Blood Pressure Checks by Heritage Manor of Gorman. Every week at Senior Citizens at 11:00 a.m. Other week at Gorman Hotel at 10:30 a.m.

Gorman Primitive Baptist Church has Services Every Sundays. Services begin at 10:30 a.m. Bro. Mark Waltenbarger - 1st Sunday; Elder Mike Webb, Pastor - All Other Sundays - Everyone Welcome To Attend.

The Order of the Eastern Star holds its regular stated meetings on the first Monday of each month at 7:30 p.m. - Nell Ragland, Worthy Matron and Elwood Ragland, Worthy Patron.

### FOOD PANTRY Second Thursday of Each Month

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. Larry Majors, Worshipful Master — Pat Moseley, Secretary.

Gorman Oaklawn Cemetery Association is accepting donations for the Care of the Cemetery. If you would like to make a donation in memory of or In Honor of someone, please send to Rt. 3 Box 121A, or American State Bank, Gorman, Texas 76454.

SANDRA CAGLE WILL BE IN GORMAN THE THIRD WEDNESDAY OF EACH MONTH AT THE CITY OFFICE TO RENEW AUTO LICENSE PLATES. HER NEXT VISIT WILL BE AUGUST 15TH FROM 9 - 12 NOON.

# Obituaries

## James Felix Wood Laid to Rest

James Felix Wood, age 74, of Gorman, passed away Monday, August 6, 2001 at the DeLeon Hospital.

Graveside services were Wednesday, August 8 at Oaklawn Cemetery in Gorman with Rev. Richard Watson officiating. Services were under the direction of Higginbotham Funeral Home in Gorman.

Mr. Wood was born January 19, 1927 in Comanche County to the late William Marion Wood and Effie Mae Dobbs Wood. He was a retired farmer. Mr. Wood worked for Texas Federal Inspection Service for several years.

Survivors include one sister, Mildred Loretta Stanfield of Albany and several cousins. He was preceded in death by one brother.



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## Services Held for Martyne Hargus

Martyne Hargus, 76, of DeLeon, died on Saturday, August 4, 2001 at Hendricks Medical Center in Abilene. Services were Monday, August 6, 2001 at the Nowlin Funeral Home Chapel with Jackie Auvenshine officiating, assisted by Roger Pounds. Burial was in the Victor Cemetery.

Mrs. Hargus was born on March 6, 1925 in DeLeon to Earnest Pair and Stella Blankenship Pair and step-father M.W. Newton, all now deceased. She married Tommy P. Hargus, who preceded her in death. She was a retired nurse aide, homemaker, and member of the DeLeon

First United Methodist Church. Survivors include two sons, Tracy Hargus of DeLeon and Ronnie Hargus of Abilene; four grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

She was also preceded by one son, Tommy Hargus and one grandson, Wesley Hargus.

## NOTICE

The Gorman Housing Authority will have a public hearing, concerning our 5 (five year plan and our annual plan) on August 21, 2001, 7:00 p.m. at the Assembly Room of the Gorman Hotel.

## TXOL Internet

Starting at \$9.95 for 20 Hours per month to \$23.50 for Unlimited "Not Dedicated". Set-up Fees from \$25 to \$40 Get the Best, for little more than the rest! Come by the Gorman Progress to see the internet in operation. See Jake or call 254-734-2411.

## Emma Bethany Laid to Rest

Emma Jewel Bethany, 92, of DeLeon, died on Tuesday, July 31, 2001 in the DeLeon Hospital. Services were Friday, August 3, 2001 at the DeLeon First United Methodist Church with Stephen Schmidt officiating, assisted by George Sutton. Burial was in the DeLeon Cemetery.

Mrs. Bethany was born on September 7, 1908 in Eastland County to the late John Thomas Brightwell and Minnie Blair Brightwell. She married J.R. Bethany on September 20, 1925 in Carbon. He preceded her in death on December 7, 2000. She was a homemaker and had lived in DeLeon 63 years, coming from Ft. Worth.

Survivors include two daughters, Johnnie Morgan and husband Clinton of Weatherford and Nell Howell of Abilene; 3 sisters, Zena Simpson of Gorman, Johnnie Hoover of Abilene and Alice Westmoreland of Abilene; one brother Odie Brightwell of Gorman; 5 grandchildren; 11 great-grandchildren and 9 great-great grandchildren.

## Joy Houser Kay Laid to Rest

Joy E. (Houser) Kay, 75, passed away on Tuesday, July 9, 2001 in Dallas, Texas. Services were held on Thursday, July 12, 2001 at the Chapel of Casa View Baptist Church, where she was a longtime member. Burial was in Dallas Restland Memorial.

Joy was born July 19, 1925 in Granbury, Texas. Survivors include her husband, Bill Kay of Dallas; two daughters, Pamela Kay Steen and Sheran Kay Casey; five grandchildren; one brother, Billy Edward Houser; one sister, Jessie Lee ("Pee Wee" Houser) Doreck of Corpus Christi.

Preceded in death by her parents, Ed and Lessie (Sparkman) Houser; one sister, Grace Evelyn (Houser) Ervin.

The Houser family are former residents of Desdemona where all the children attended school. Joy graduated with the Class of 1943, Grace Evelyn with the Class of 1945 and Jessie Lee with the Class of 1948.

## Renewals Of Registered Brands

In accordance with Article 144.044 of the Agriculture Code, on Thursday, August 30, 2001, the County Clerk's office will begin the process of renewals of your brand. You will have until Thursday, February 28, 2002 to renew your registration. On Friday, March 1, 2002, all brands that have not been renewed will become "open brands" for the general public. Any brand that is not renewed becomes "void" on March 1, 2002, in accordance with the Agriculture Code.

Should you have any questions, please contact me.

Cathy Jentho  
Eastland County Clerk  
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## Blaine Gibbs Moving AUCTION Sat., August 11 9:00 a.m.

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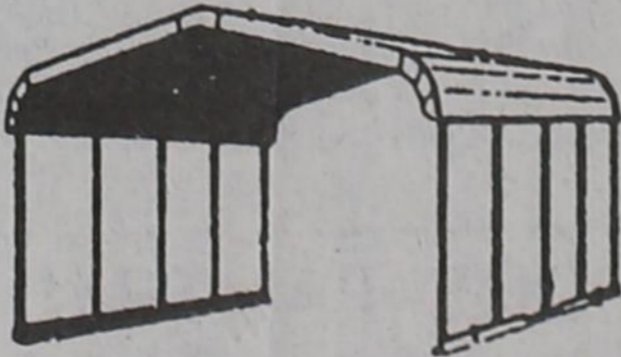
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**NEW LISTING:** 3-1 frame, vinyl siding, 2 ref a/c units, large lot, paved street, shade trees. \$25,000 Owner finance possible.

**NEW LISTING:** 3-2-1 frame, 1500' living area, ref. air units, fenced back yard, home is well kept, nice street. \$35,000.00

**NEW LISTING:** Edge of town, 2.96 acres, nice 2-2 mfg. home, fireplace, central A/H, double carport, water well, pavement, storage bldg., large trees. \$27,500.00

**76 A near Duster,** heavily timbered, good deer & turkey hunting, one stock pond, CR frontage, good fences. \$900.00 acre

**NEW LISTING:** 30.48 acres between De Leon and Gorman, app. 10 a coastal, 1 stock pond, some cultivated, small amount timbered. \$1,150 acre.

**NEW LISTING:** 82 acres near Pioneer, stock pond, irrigation, pavement, stock pond, deer and other wildlife, paying gas well. \$575.00 acre.

**NEW LISTING:** 142A. app. 120 wooded, 20 A. field, great deer/turkey hunting, CR frontage. \$925 A.

**NEW LISTING:** 156 A., western Comanche County, wooded/brushy, 3 ponds, (1 large), water well, 2-1 cabin, recent fencing, great deer/turkey hunting Reduced \$995.00 acre.

**NEW LISTING:** 225 A, 3 stock ponds, 1 well, 60 A. cultivation, 50 A klein, 100 A. coastal, good deer/turkey hunting. \$775.00 acre.

**NEW LISTING:** 320 A. near Gorman, app. 200 A wooded/semi wooded, some improved grasses, 5 stock ponds, creek, lots deer & turkey, lots county road front, will divide into 160 A. tracts. \$900 - \$925 Acre.

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# Kokomo News

By Zelda Jordan

I had hopes that tropical storm Barry would come this way and bring us some rain, but it was not to be. Bet those folks in its path would share with us. We must keep praying for rain.

The attendance at the Kokomo Baptist Church was a little low on Sunday morning. Some of the members are on vacation, and some are not feeling well, and we miss those who aren't there. Helen and Woodrow Browning, with Glynda Bond at the piano, rendered the special music. A Gaither Vocal Band video was enjoyed on Sunday night.

Dwayne, Connie and Lisa Snider of Stephenville ate supper with Hazel and LaVon Snider on Thursday night.

Lisa Snider left on Sunday for a University in Raleigh, N.C., where she will do her graduate study. We pray for a safe journey for them as they travel.

Others visiting with Hazel and LaVon Snider were Gene and Kay Snider. Dan Snider and Ted Snider. Hazel visited with Gene and Kay on Saturday morning.

Delmon and Joyce Eaves took their grandsons, Chris and Jon Lewis of Ennis to Weatherford on Wednesday to meet their mother, Deliah and they enjoyed a meal at the Golden Corral together before the boys returned home with their mother after spending several days here with the grandparents.

Bob and Lily Winkler visited with Delmon and Joyce Eaves.

Zelda Jordan met Frankie Eakin in Eastland for lunch on Friday. Zelda and Daisy Slaton of Gorman attended the Comanche Electric Cooperative annual meeting at the park in Comanche on Saturday and enjoyed hearing the Messengers sing, and the fish dinner. Both won door prizes. One of the highlights of the day was meeting ex-Dallas Cowboy Cliff Harris.

Daisy Slaton and Zelda Jordan visited with Lona Lightfoot at a Comanche nursing home.

Zelda Jordan visited with Troy and John Scitern. They shared the okra from their garden with me. Good eating. Thank the Lord for good neighbors.

Chad Griffith and a friend of Lubbock visited during the weekend with his grandmother, Johnnie B. Griffith.

## Thank You

I wish to thank each of you who have been so kind and thoughtful during my recent surgeries. For the many prayers offered, I am most grateful. Also, each card, phone call, flowers, gifts and food were greatly appreciated. A special thanks to Estelle Craddock, Ed Sutton and Carole Ervin for all the many nice things they did for our family.

Sincerely,  
Louise Clark & family

## Isbell Reunion

Reunion for the Isbell family was held at Clayton, Texas in the R.V. Park on Lake Murvaul, 4 Aug. 2001.

Those in attendance from Carthage, Texas were Dearrel & Veda Isbell—Dewayne & Kathy Isbell—Don Amber, Kaitlyn & Kayleigh Isbell—Michael, Sarah, Macy & Emily Isbell—Jeff Isbell

Other Attendees were  
Jeanette & Ronald Payne, San Angelo, Texas  
Sam Isbell, Clyde, Texas  
Patricia Isbell, Eastland, Texas  
Robert & Will Blythe Abilene, Texas  
Toots Flowers, daughter, & Molly Boehinger, Mesquite, Texas  
Wanda & Terry Alberts, Palmdale, California  
Janis, Jack & Amy Snipes Aiken, South Carolina  
Plenty of food, games and fellowship was had by all.

## Ranger College Summer Commencement

Ranger College held Summer Commencement on August 4, 2001. Ranger College would like to acknowledge and congratulate those students who received degrees and certificates. Area students were:

**Certificates-LVN-Early**--Donna B. Boswell-DeLeon, Teressa L. Craig-Dublin; Mercedes Davis-DeLeon; Stacy L. Hatton-Ranger; Rhonda Howard-DeLeon; Julie May-Gorman

## DESDEMONA NEWS

BY VONNIE GUTHERY

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Desdemona Class of 1951 will have their 50th Class Reunion on Friday night, August 10th at the First Baptist Church Annex.

Clydell Lewis is in the Comanche Hospital at this time following surgery last Wednesday to amputate his leg. We sent our get well wishes to him.

Kandice Martin visited Saturday in Weatherford with her dad, Eddie Martin.

Several members of our community have had to move recently to a more convenient or assisted living facilities. They would enjoy visits or cards from their friends and neighbors in this area.

Names and addresses of these are:  
Benton Echols, Canterbury Villa, 809 East Navarro, DeLeon, Tx. 76444

Mary Ficklen, 12010 Good Tree #33, Stephenville, Tx. 76401

Bill Greenhaw, The Lighthouse, 116 Neblett, Stephenville, Tx. 76401

Omata Clark, P.O. Box 38, Olden, Tx. 79064

Clydell Lewis, 211 S. Austin, Comanche, Tx. 76442

Ina Barker, Community Nursing, 2025 Northwest Loop, Stephenville, Tx. 76401

Agatha Nance, 111 Spicewood, Stephenville, Tx. 76401

Lucille Johnson, The Lighthouse, 116 Neblett, Stephenville, Tx. 76401

Jackie and Roy Lee Whitlock, 207 East Manchaca, DeLeon, Tx. 76444

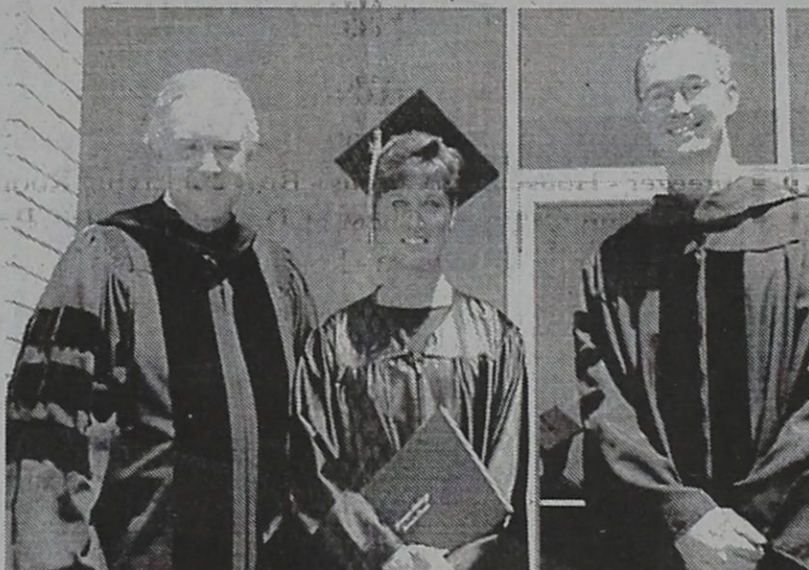
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Associate of Science Degree  
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Dr. Zach Wesley, a Ranger native, gave the Commencement address. Dr. Wesley is a former Ranger College DoctorPrep student, and he is the first DoctorPrep student to earn a doctorate degree. Following the close of the Commencement program was a reception honoring those students who had graduated.

Ranger College would like to thank those who attended and again congratulate those students who were awarded degrees or certificates. Congratulations and Good Luck!

## Police Report

July 2001

There were 9 arrests made this month for the following: 2--Poss. Drug Para; 1--DWLS; 2--County Warrants; 1--P.I.; 1--Disorderly conduct; 1--Criminal trespass.

There were 51 citations written this month covering 16 violations as follows: 26--Speeding; 1--Exib. Acc.; 2--Exp. DL; 3--No DL; 2--Poss. Drug Para; 2--Exp Insp; 1--Stop sign; 3--MIP; 1--Making alcohol av.; 5--Curfew; 1--Disorderly conduct; 1--PI; 1--No insurance.

There were 9 investigatable offenses reported.

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July 2001

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## STENHOLM ANNOUNCES E-RATE FUNDING FOR EASTLAND COUNTY SCHOOLS AND LIBRARY

Congressman Charlie Stenholm announced today that school districts and a library in Eastland County have received E-rate funding from the Schools and Libraries Division (SLD) of the Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC). This money will be used to help the schools and library develop telecommunications services, Internet access, and internal connections.

In Eastland County, the following schools and library received funding: Cisco I.S.D. \$23,896.49 Rising Star S.D. \$21,400.51 Eastland I.S.D. \$41,112.00 Ranger I.S.D. \$21,007.50 Gorman I.S.D. \$24,118.10 Ranger Public Library \$1,255.41

"I support programs like the E-rate that result in direct services to rural areas," Congressman Stenholm said. "By helping rural and under-funded school districts provide current technology for their students, the E-rate is helping to ensure that equal educational opportunities are available to students across the nation, regardless of location or income."

The E-rate program was created as a part of the federal Telecommunications Act of 1996 to ensure that all eligible schools and libraries in the United States have affordable access to modern telecommunications and information services. Application is open to all public and private K-12 schools and public libraries. Discount funding is calculated according to a school's level of economic disadvantage (based on percentage of students eligible for the national school lunch program) and their location, rural or urban.

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