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Maxfield Elementary Invites You To Drop Off School Supplies Early

Maxfield Elementary is inviting you and your child to bring their school supplies early this year. We will have your student's classroom open Friday, August 11, from 12:30pm until 2:00pm for students to drop off supplies. This might be an opportunity for some of you to meet your new teacher. School begins Monday, August 16, 2006. Elementary students will start going in for breakfast at 7:45.

Gorman Jr. High and High School Schedule Changes

Any students interested in changing their schedules for the upcoming 2006-2007 school year need to see Mrs. Hampton Thursday, August 3rd or Friday, August 4th from 8:00 to 3:00. You may also obtain a copy of your schedule at this time. School will be starting August 14th and we are looking forward to another great year!

August Meeting of Gorman GROW

Gorman GROW Meeting will be August 2, at 5:30, in the Community Center. We will be discussing the ongoing park project, the Peanut Festival coming up in September, and the Train Ride in October.

I apologize for the short notice.

All visitors are welcome and we look forward to you input.

Hamburger Sale Huge Success

I would like to thank all the volunteers for their efforts in helping to raise money for the purchase of playground equipment for our downtown park. Sid Fischer and Shawn Boles did an excellent job cooking the burgers on the grill on such an extremely hot day. Tacy Warren, and Vicki Perry made a fantastic team on the assembly line. Margarita Oronia, Maddison Warren, Kaci Dodd, and Sydney Casey, went door to door downtown taking orders, and delivering to our downtown businesses. Lori Dodd did a great job drumming up business and delivering by car.

Last but not least, I want to offer a special thank you to the following businesses for their generous donations:

ZJ's Steakhouse

City Grocery

Bob's Grocery

Dairy Queen

Thanks to all,
Diane Casey

Maxfield Elementary Pre-K Registration

If you did not register your child for Pre-K during spring registration, you are welcome to drop by the Elementary Office to pre-register your child. Any child that will turn 4 by September 1 is eligible. Please bring child's Shot Records, Social Security Card, and Birth Certificate. We will also need picture identification of person registering student. Office hours are 7:00 - 3:00 Monday thru Thursday. If you need more information please call Debbie at 734-2617.

De Leon Study Club Spaghetti Lunch

Come One, Come All!! De Leon Study Club's Spaghetti Lunch, Saturday, August 12th at the Senior Citizen's, 133 Ball Park Loop, 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Adults - \$6.00 - Children - \$3.00. Meal consists of Spaghetti with meat sauce, Salad, Garlic Bread and Homemade Cakes.

Duster Ex-Students Reunion

The Duster Ex-Students Reunion will be held Saturday, August 12th at 5 p.m. at the Heritage Hall of the First United Methodist Church in De Leon. Everyone is welcome to attend.

VFW FUNDRAISER

On Saturday, August 5th the VFW Post 4136, Eastland, TX will be having a Fundraising Cookout at the Post on Highway 570. Brisket, German Sausage, Hamburgers, Side Dishes and Drinks will be served from 12 noon until 4:00 p.m.

The public as well as all Veterans are cordially invited to attend. All donations for the meal will be greatly appreciated. We are raising these funds to purchase insurance and registration and maintenance on the van which was donated to the post for use by the Veterans Members.

If you need more information, Call Larry Monroe 254-647-1097 or VFW after 5:00 p.m. 254-629-1918 and ask for Larry or Ronnie. Larry Monroe, Comander

Desdemona Ex-Student Dinner

The Desdemona Alumni Reunion and Dinner will be held at the new Activity Center beginning at 4:00 p.m., August 11. All ex students are encouraged to attend. Please R.S.V.P. by August 8. Call Floyd Moore, Jr. at 254-758-2610, Leave Message If Necessary.

Class of 1965 To Hold Reunion

The Class of 1965 will be holding a 41st Reunion on September 9th in conjunction with Homecoming events and The Peanut Festival. For further information contact Joy Campbell at 734-2121 or Doyle Welch at dwelch@texaspeanuts.com.

To: JH/HS Students and Parents

I hope everyone has enjoyed a wonderful summer. We have made some changes and are looking forward to having these people on our staff. Here is a list of the changes to this point:

Paul Talbert

AD/ Head Football Coach

Maria Schaefer

Computer Education Teacher

Debora Sanchez

Spanish Teacher

Billy Fox

JH History and Coach

Sandi Porter

HS Science

Tiffany Childers

JH Cheerleading Sponsor

David Wiseman

JH Science and Coach

Samantha Duke

HS SS and Coach

I am confident these people will be great for our kids and will do a wonderful job! Please take the opportunity to visit and get to know them!

I just wanted to point out a couple of things for the upcoming school year:

Students will be required to change clothes before they can return to class or will be placed in ISS for a hair violation until they are in compliance.

1) Please do not buy jeans or pants with holes in them

2) Baggy pants will not be allowed

3) No flip flops

4) Hair code must be followed - not below the middle of the ear, touching the collar of a regular shirt, and not down in the eyes-this will be strictly enforced.

5) Girls-please mid-thigh only for shorts and skirts-you will not be allowed to go to class if you are in violation.

6) No facial hair-please have your young men shave at home.

I am going to do a much better job of being consistent with application of the dress code this year. The school board has approved it and we will follow it. I know the teachers will also be more consistent in their application of the code. Please help us by checking your kids as they leave home each morning. It will help a great deal to start each day of with a smile!

As you know we are starting our honors program this year. I am very excited about it and what it means for our kids. They are very capable of doing so much more in the classroom, this will help immensely!

TAKS - we have decided to focus on one area-intervention. I am confident we are providing quality instruction in our core areas. It is essential that when a student is struggling academically that we intervene and find a way to help them be successful. I feel very strongly this is where we can really improve with regards to academics and performance on TAKS. Mrs. Hampton is developing an after school program that will be a great way to help kids who are having problems. The teachers will also have the flexibility to conduct before and after school tutorials this year. This allows them to coordinate students and their schedules.

I know all of you want a great school. That is also our goal. We have everything in place to make it happen. Our motto for 2006-2007 is, "What are YOU doing to help make us great? This will get the students to focus on what they are doing individually here at school. All

Diamondbacks State Champions In Texas Teen-Age League - Midget Div.



The Diamondbacks did it! They are the 2006 Texas Teen-Age League, Midget Division State Champions. Team members are Benjamin Martin, Bradley Morrison, Brock Morrison, Brady Alford, Brett Alford, Brice Spears, Daniel Bullard, Joshua Olivan, Mason Brown, Ryan Reynolds, and local participants Flavio Herrera and Hunter Childers. Coaches for the team are Kevin Alford, Chet Martin, and Head Coach Robert Segura.

The tournament was held in Colorado City, July 24-27. The Diamondbacks defeated the Bronte Rangers 8-0, the Ballinger Yankees 15-5, the Winters Raptors 11-1, and the Eastland Comets 5-3. Congratulations, Diamondbacks!

Thank you to everyone for your support and donations that helped to make this trip possible.

of us have to do our part. We need you to help us and be a part of what we are doing!! I am looking forward to a great year and I want all of you to be a part of our success!!

Important Dates for the 2006-2007 School Year:

Thursday, August 3 - Schedule changes/Meet with Counselor-New Student registration - 8-12 and 1-3pm

Friday, August 4 - Schedule changes/Meet with Counselor-New student registration - 8-12 and 1-3pm

Monday, August 7 - Football and Volleyball practice begins

Wednesday, August 9 - Teacher In-service begins

Monday, August 14 - First Day of School

Tuesday, August 15 - First Volleyball game here @ 5pm vs. Mullin

Monday, August 19 - First Football Scrimmage @ Evant Rick Panter

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Keeping Up With Friends

Joy Payton of Dallas and Bobbie Payton of Fort Worth visited with Mildred Landreth and they attended the Sipe Springs Homecoming. Then they visited with Gene and Mary Underwood.

Pray For RAIN

MARKET LAMB AND GOAT VALIDATION

Deadline for ordering and paying for validation tags for the major shows is August 6th! Please contact the Eastland County Extension Office or your Agricultural Science Teacher. Cost is \$8.00 per tag.

All lambs and goats entering major shows must be tagged and validated. If you do not order tags, animals cannot be shown.

There will be a Hot Tamales Sale at Texas Creations this Friday and Saturday at 10:00 a.m. thru 12:30 p.m. The Tamales are the same as the ones sold to help the Predators raise money. Melissa will be taking orders at 734-3431.

2006 Gorman Ex Students Homecoming

State Winning Football Team of 1976 to be Honored!

The Gorman Ex Students Homecoming will be held on Saturday, September 9 along with the Peanut Festival. Events are as follows:

- Ex Student Registration Booth downtown from 8:00AM until after the parade.

- Program and business meeting at the Gorman High School Auditorium at 2:00PM. Registration will also be held at the business meeting.

- An Ex's dinner will be held at Z.J.'s Steakhouse in Gorman at 7:00PM on Saturday night. Tickets available at registration.

Many have very special memories of 1976! Call your classmates and encourage them to attend!

Note: The Blackwell Hospital Historical Association will have a special ceremony to dedicate a historical marker at the hospital site on Saturday just after the parade. Make plans to attend!

Heritage Manor's 8th Birthday Bash

On August 10th Heritage Manor will be celebrating their 8th Birthday as a Pyramid HealthCare Corp. facility.

The outlines of Pyramid as a corporation were formed in December 1997 in Delaware. After much work and planning the four founding partners quit the jobs they had and followed their dream to own and operate quality health care facilities in Texas. On August 1, 1998, Pyramid officially began operations as a management company for 16 long term care facilities. The founding partners started to work in their Dallas, Texas office with four cared board boxes, lawn chairs, and cell phones. The goal then, as it is today, was to provide the quality care the residents in these homes deserved and to provide a positive working environment for the staff. On December 1, 1998, Pyramid received licenses to operate these 16 facilities. In June 2001 the Pyramid Corporation moved to Hillsboro, Texas. This move proved successful, allowing the home office staff to be closer to family and friends. Pyramid Corporate office is now located in Whitney, Texas.

Pyramid HealthCare now own 10 long term care facilities. These are located in Gorman, Stephenville, Cisco, Baird, Paris, Itasca, Whitney, Grand Saline, Hillsboro and Collinsville.

Pyramid's names derived from the pyramid on the back of a dollar with the all seeing eye in the top of the pyramid, which is an ancient symbol for divinity. It was Benjamin Franklin's belief that one man couldn't do it alone, but a group of me, with the help of God, could do anything.

Pyramid HealthCare is "God, family, and friends operated" corporation. Diane Ward, along with her husband Michael, works in the day-to-day operation of the company. Several family members as well as personal friends work with them. Everyone is invited to come and help us celebrate. We will have different types of games through out the day. At noon we will have sack lunches with Birthday Cake and homemade ice cream for dessert.

We would like to invite everyone to come join us for fun, food, and fellowship. For more information call 254-734-2202.

Gorman ISD "Wall of Honor"

The Gorman Athletic Boosters would like to remind those who would like to purchase a memory brick, that we are still taking orders. Individual engraved pavers are 4" x 8" in size, and can include three lines with twelve characters. The price of the individual paver is \$25.00 each. We will also be offering a business, family, organization, or "special event" paver that will measure 8" x 8", and can include four lines with twelve characters. The price of the large paver is \$50.00 each. The initial installation will begin soon, and we would like to have as many bricks as possible to start the project.

We encourage everyone to buy a paver and let those memories be a permanent part of the landscape at Brogdon Field. We believe this project will be a great source of pride for our school, and for our community. Anyone who wishes to purchase a memory brick; please contact, Bob Powell at 734-3322, Becky Swanner at 734-2480, or any member of the Gorman Athletic Boosters.

DUE TO UNFORSEEN CIRCUMSTANCES, WE WILL NOT BE ABLE TO RECYCLE PAPER WHEN THE RECYCLING PROGRAM STARTS UP IN THE NEXT FEW WEEKS. IF YOU HAVE BEEN SAVING PAPER TO DONATE, PLEASE ACCEPT OUR APOLOGIES. IF WE FIND A BUSINESS IN THE FUTURE THAT ACCEPTS PAPER, WE WILL RE-INSTATE THE PAPER RECYCLING WITH THE METAL.
THANK YOU. Lori Dodd

Obituaries

Jean Frasier Farrow

Jean Frasier Farrow, age 77 of De Leon passed away on Thursday, July 27, 2006 at a Frederick, Oklahoma Nursing Center.

Graveside services were held on Monday, July 31st at De Leon Cemetery, with Jackie Auvenshine officiating, under the direction of Nowlin Funeral Home.

She was born on September 8, 1928 in Comanche County, Texas to the late Irvin Frasier and Tom Ben Coan Frasier. She married Donal Farrow on April 24, 1970 in De Leon. She was a restaurant owner/operator; homemaker and a Baptist.

She is survived by one son, Ben Meeler of Lawton, OK.; daughter, Shirley Bray of Mantiou, OK; two brothers, James Frasier of De Leon and Bob Frasier of Odessa; 3 sisters, Laura Moon of Odessa, Lou Etta Stacy of London, Tx, and Florence Verdell Miller of Odessa; 5 grandchildren and six great-grand-

Mary Elizabeth Tate

Mary Elizabeth Tate, age 86 of De Leon passed away on Thursday, July 27, 2006 at a Comanche County Medical Center.

Services were held on Saturday, July 29th at Nowlin Funeral Home Chapel, with Kenneth Wilson officiating. Interment was at De Leon Cemetery, under the direction of Nowlin Funeral Home.

She was born on October 9, 1920 in Comanche County, Texas to the late Frank Raymond Carter and Lena Elizabeth Cog Carter. She married James G "Bill" Tate on March 20, 1944 in Stephenville. She homemaker; previously worked at F&M Bank in De Leon, secretary for International Harvester and

children.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Donal Farrow; one son, Gary Wayne Meeler; two brothers, Frank Frasier and Olan Frasier.

DeLores Bartlett Guinn Sharp

DeLores Bartlett Guinn Sharp, age 82 of De Leon passed away on Tuesday, August 1, 2006 at Medical Plaza Hospital in Fort Worth, Tx.

Memorial service will be held on

Nowlin Funeral Home; had resided in De Leon all of her life; also was a member of De Leon First United Methodist Church.

She is survived by three son, Phil Tate and Tad Tate, both of Austin and Paul Tate of San Antonio; two grandsons, Michael and Steven Tate.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Bill Tate on December 23, 1989 and one brother Raymond Carter.

GARAGE SALE: Saturday, August 5th - 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Desdemona - 233 CR 503 - Bed. Couch, Bicycles, Clothes, Miscellaneous. Angela Powledge Home (follow signs). 1-8-3 P.

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Saturday, August 5th at 11:00 a.m. at First Baptist Church in De Leon with interment in De Leon Cemetery, under the direction of Nowlin Funeral Home.

She was born on February 21, 1924 in Malakoff, Texas to the late John Ray Guinn and Theora Bartlett Guinn. She married Dr. Terrill Sharp on May 27, 1942 in Round Rock, Tx.

DeLores was a homemaker; member P.A.R. Ladies Golf Association; she loved to quilt, was a classy lady, beloved mother who brought much love and laughter into her home; had resided in De Leon since 1947; member of De Leon First Baptist Church.

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She is survived by three son, Tony Sharp and wife Elizabeth of Athens, Donny Sharp and wife Peggy of Ar-

Arvel Dean Lewallen

Funeral services for Arvel Dean Lewallen 72, of Denver City were held on Saturday, July 22, 2006, at 11:00 a.m. in the first Assembly of God Church in Denver City. Rev. Ronnie Lunsford officiated. Interment followed in the Lazbuddie Cemetery at 3:30 p.m. Services were under the direction of Ratliff Funeral Home of Denver City.

Mr. Lewallen passed away Thursday, July 20, 2006 in the VA hospital in Amarillo.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Etta, a son, Jimmy Lewallen, his parents, Jim and Lois Lewallen, and three brothers, Wilford (Smokey) Lewallen, Robert (Bobby) Lewallen and James (Jamie) Lewallen.

He is survived by two sons, Richard Dale Lewallen of Amarillo and Dwight Lewallen of Levelland, a daughter, Carol Milam of Lubbock two stepdaughters, Debra and Rhonda; three sisters, Zeldia Jordan of Gorman, Laverne Winn of Muleshoe and Barbara Bell and husband D.C. (Bo) of Denver City and a sister-in-law, Wanda Russell of Floydada; 14 grandchildren and 15 great-grandchildren and several nieces and nephews.

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KOKOMO NEWS

BY ZELDA JORDAN

I'll start the column this week by asking everyone to PRAY FOR RAIN. It is so hot and dry, and we at Kokomo, and I'm sure others, get uneasy when we hear of the grassfires in the area like the one in the Comanche area on Sunday.

We know first hand what a fire out of control can do.

Bro. Jim Haggard of Strawn preached at the Kokomo Baptist Church on Sunday morning. The scripture was from Luke 24:13-35. The title of his message was "A Terrible, Horrible, No Good, Very Bad Day", telling us that when life doesn't make any sense, and we are having a very bad day we should go to the scriptures for help and comfort. Jesus Christ is the answer.

"Happy Birthday" was sung to James Little. "Redeemed, How I Love To Proclaim It" was beautifully rendered by the choir: Ruth Rodgers, Karen Patterson, Helen Browning, Kay Snider, Aletha Burgess, Woodrow Browning, Joe Bond, Oren Webb and Thomas Seay with Glynda Bond at the piano. Oren and Norma Webb were on a mission trip to help at the Big Country Baptist Assembly at Lueders from Monday until Thursday last week and gave a brief report of the activities at the camp.

The Sunday night services were dismissed so members could attend the 5th Sunday Singing at the First Baptist Church in Gorman. We had a wonderful time lifting our voices in song together and enjoying the special music. A time of fellowship and refreshments was enjoyed in the fellowship hall following the singing. Our thanks to the ladies who prepared the food.

Bro. Jimmy Nelson will preach at the Kokomo Baptist Church on Sunday, August 6.

A great time was had by all at the hamburger and ice cream supper, and game night at the home of Joe and Glynda Bond on July 22. The hamburgers were so good and there was plenty of delicious homemade ice cream to enjoy following the games of 42.

Our community was saddened to hear of the death of Phyllis Donaldson Wright of Eastland. Phyllis was a former resident of Kokomo and had many friends here. We extend sincere sympathy to her sister, Wanda Bryant of Carbon, and brothers, Jake Donaldson of Eastland, Glenn Donaldson of Artesia, NM and Danny Donaldson of Houston and other family members. Phyllis was buried in the Simpson Cemetery on Tuesday, July 25.

Sharon and Roy Davis of Odessa, Doris Bradshaw of Gorman, Sylvia Buchanan and Zelda Jordan visited with Nancy Hendricks.

Justin Snider of Gorman visited with LaVon Snider.

James and Chelsea Webb of Granbury visited with Oren and Norma Webb on Saturday.

Joe and Glynda Bond met Shannon, Raegan and Sydnie Bond of Coperas Cove in Goldthwaite on Thursday and Raegan and Sydnie came home with their grandparents for a visit until Saturday when Joe, Glynda and the girls met Shannon, Stephanie and Joey at the park in Goldthwaite for a visit, then all had dinner together at a restaurant in Goldthwaite before returning to their homes.

Zelda Jordan was called to the bedside of her brother, Arvel Lewallen of Denver City who was critically ill in the VA hospital in Amarillo last week. Arvel passed away on July 20. His funeral was held in Denver City on July 22 with burial in the Lazbuddie Cemetery. Arvel who will be remembered here as "Poppey" was a former resident of Kokomo in the mid to late 1940s and attended school at Carbon, and had visited here many times since.

Glenda Black and Sheri, Ryan, Kody and Emily Daniell of Abilene

and Zelda visited in the home of Cindy and Kayla Jordan in Lubbock and all attended the funeral for Arvel. Zelda also visited in the homes of Wanda Russell in Floydada, Barbara and Bo Bell in Denver City and Laverne Winn in Muleshoe before returning home. Glenda, Cindy and Kayla, Wanda and Barbara and Bo also visited in Laverne's home and Cindy, Kayla, Glenda and Zelda visited in Littlefield with Cindy's parents, Carl and Wanda Thompson.

Many thanks for the flowers, telephone calls, cards, words of comfort and the prayers that has uplifted us so much during our time of losing our dear brother.

Senior Citizens News

Carol Ward

We enjoyed our weekly Pot Luck Dinner on Wednesday, the 26th, with 42 present. It was nice to have so many in attendance. We do enjoy the fellowship.

Barbara Bush called us to order and Wilburn Overstreet gave the blessing. It was so good to see him back and feeling much better. He does help make our day with his nice smile and laugh.

We really enjoyed having Winston Brown and Anna Rush return after his terrible fall. Since our dinner he has fallen again and in the hospital. We all wish him the best and do hope he is much improved.

We enjoyed seeing Bobby and Joan Baker from Desdemona again. I hope they continue to return and bring some more folks with them.

It was good to see Delores Tucker and Beth Shirley. Glad they can be with us. Beth can make the best white coconut cake I've ever tasted. She's some cake maker!

Glad to see Zelda Jordan back, after being with her brother, during his illness and funeral.

Remember we still play games on Friday nights at 6 p.m.

AGRICULTURAL VIEWPOINT

By: Dale Dunlap

WHITE GRUB CONTROL IN LAWNS

One of the major pests in lawns is the white grub, it occurs in most areas of Texas, but may cause damage only in certain areas. The adult form of the white grub is often called the June beetle and is about 1/2 to 5/8 inches long and light brown. The flight period for the adults in the High Plains generally occurs from mid-to late June and lasts from one to two weeks. It is during this time the mating takes place. The mated female bores back into the earth and begins laying between 30 to 40 eggs which hatch in three to four weeks giving rise to small larvae or grubs.

The larvae pass through three stages becoming larger with each successive stage as they feed voraciously on grass roots. Stages 1 and 2 only require about three weeks for development while Stage 3 is in the soil for the rest of the year or two years and causes most of the lawn damage. Feeding of large number of the larvae causes lawns to turn yellow in the affected area. Positive identification of white grub damage is possible when yellowed grass can be lifted easily by hand from the ground. In severe infestations, large section of lawns can be rolled up just like a carpet. The Stage 3 larvae build up large quantities of fat in the summer and fall and may not need to feed further during the remainder of the annual cycle.

Lawns suspected of having white grubs should be checked by cutting and dipping up one square foot section of lawn four inches deep and examining. Treatment is justified when more than four grubs per square foot are found. Many products provide adequate control when applied properly. Products should be applied from mid-July through mid-August. During this time the grubs are quite small, just beginning to feed on your lawn and are easier to control. Waiting until next spring to treat is too late. The damage to your lawn has already been done.

Granular formulations of insecticides are easier to apply and easier to wash into the soil than spray formulations. Granulars may be applied with a fertilizer spreader. If spray formulations are used, water the lawn with about one-quarter inch of water before applying the spray. This allows the spray formulation to better penetrate the soil.

Insecticides should be washed into the soil immediately with one-half to one inch of water. Children, pets and other animals should be kept off the lawn until the insecticide has been thoroughly washed into the soil.

Always use insecticides according to the directions on the label. Proper lawn care is important in the reduction of home owners' grub problems. Adequate water and fertilizer and annual dethatching produces a healthy, vigorous lawn that is less susceptible to damage by white grubs.

The information given herein is for educational purposes only. Reference to commercial or trade names is made

Desdemona News

By Vonnie Guthery

Desdemona Homecoming and School Reunion will be held on Saturday, August 12th at the Community Center School Gym. Morning program will begin at 10:00 a.m. Noon Meal will be catered. This annual event began 85 years ago (1921) and was held at the Community Tabernacle. For several years after this Homecoming began, several merchants, local citizens etc. led a parade down Main Street in "Hogtown". This event last ed all week-end and ended with a large musical on Saturday night. After the noon meal, the afternoon will be spent visiting with former classmates, teachers and friends. If you have a change of address or have any questions please contact this reporter at P. O. Box 187, Desdemona, Tx 76445. We appreciate your help to keep this annual event going for many years to come.

Ladies Monthly Social will be held on Wednesday, August 7th at the Desdemona Community Center School Building. Hostesses for this event will be Linda (Carr) Lindley and Rena (Carr) Maltby. The next Ladies Monthly Social will be held on Monday morning, September 11th at the same location. Keep in mind this Ladies Monthly Social will be on a regular schedule now on the second Monday of each month for the rest of the year at the Community Center School Building. Visitors are always "Welcome" to attend.

David and Fran Senger of Kingman, Arizona spent last Wednesday and Thursday in Desdemona visiting with her parents, Robert and Ima Brown at their Ranch Home.

"Happy Birthday" to Thelma (Teague) Tarpley in East Texas. She will celebrate her 95th Birthday with family and friends. The Teague family are former residents of Desdemona where their children attended school - Thelma graduated with the Class of 1928 from Desdemona.

Lane Powledge celebrated his 4th birthday on Sunday, July 30th with an outdoor party hosted by his parents, Roy and Angela Powledge, Colin and Kaley. Hamburgers, birthday cake and drinks were served to family members and friends. Special guests were Lane's grandparents, Dean and Judy Powledge of Cisco.

Trevor Walson visited the past weekend in Desdemona with his grandparents, Gary and Jody Walston. Other visitors was Travis Walston of Odessa.

Thank You

On behalf of "A walk in the park", we would like to thank the following individuals and businesses for their contribution and generosity to our hamburger lunch that was held on the 18th of July. Our most sincere thanks and appreciation goes out to Jason and Dana @ Z Js Steakhouse, Bob and Brenda @ City Grocery, Mark and Jerilyn @ Bob's Grocery, the Dairy Queen, and our great cooks Sid Fisher and Shawn Boles. To all of the folks who came and ate a burger, Thank You. We cleared a little over \$300! And Lori, you also worked just as hard that day, but you didn't get your picture in the paper. Next time someone else will be in charge of the Kodak moments! If I have left anyone out, I apologize, we do appreciate your support.

92nd Annual 2005 DE LEON PEACH AND MELON FESTIVAL

TUESDAY, AUGUST 8, 2005

3:00 p.m. Queen Candidates Tea, Given by De Leon Study Club
7:00 p.m. Kiddie Tractor Pull, Tractor Pull Arena
8:30 p.m. Selection of Little Miss De Leon, Festival Stage
9:30 p.m. Selection of Queen, CROWNS Donated by: Connie's Jewelry, (Festival Stage)

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 9, 2005

11:00 a.m. JUDGING OF 4-H CAKE ENTRIES - Reunion Center
1:00 p.m. JUDGING OF FRUIT ENTRIES, FESTIVAL STAGE
7:00 p.m. STREET PARADE - DOWNTOWN
8:00 p.m. MELON AUCTION (Festival Stage)

THURSDAY, AUGUST 10, 2005

7:00 p.m. TRACTOR PULL, Tractor Pull Arena
8:00 p.m. GOSPEL SINGING GROUP - Festival Stage

FRIDAY, AUGUST 11, 2005

7:00 p.m. TRACTOR PULL, Tractor Pull Arena
9:00 p.m. SPANISH DANCE - Tony Gauna - Festival Stage

SATURDAY, AUGUST 12, 2005

7:00 a.m. Melon Patch Tour, Registration, Senior Citizens
8:00 a.m. ANNUAL "42" TOURNAMENT - Registration CITY HALL
9:00 a.m./3 p.m. GOLDEN SATURDAY FAIR, MAIN STREET
10:00 a.m. Ex-Students Meeting ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
11:00 a.m. Garden Tractor Pulls, Mini-Rod Pulls - DOWNTOWN
12:00 Noon Spaghetti Lunch, Open To Public - Senior Citizens Complex
3:00 p.m. Seed Spitting Contest, Main Street, Sponsor: DE LEON FREE PRESS
5:00 p.m. MELON SLICING - MAIN STREET
7:00 p.m. TRACTOR PULL, Tractor Pull Arena
9:00 p.m. DANCE - Calvin Milburn Band - Festival Stage
10:30 p.m. PRESENTATION OF MISS DE LEON - Festival Stage
11:30 p.m. Dance Continues

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STUDENT SUPPLY LIST

- Pre - Kindergarten
- 1 BACKPACK
 - 2 BOXES CRAYONS (Regular size 16 count)
 - 2 BOXES OF KLEENEX
 - 1 BABY WIPER REPELL PACK (144 count or more)
 - 2 - TWO POCKET FOLDERS ANY COLOR
 - 4 ELMER'S JUMBO GLUE STICKS
 - 1 PACKAGE PLAY DOUGH (Play Dough Brand)
 - 1 - 1" REST MAT No larger due to limited storage space
 - 1 - BOX OF JUMBO SIZE CRAYONS
 - 1 PACKAGE (100 COUNT) Brown lunch bags
 - 1 PKG. GALLON SIZE ZIPLOCK BAGS
 - 1 PKG. (50 COUNT OR MORE) WHITE PAPER PLATES
 - 1 RUBBERMAID SPACEMAKER SCHOOL SUPPLY BOX (ANY COLOR)

These supplies should be sufficient for your child for the entire year.

PLEASE PUT NAMES ON ALL BACKPACKS, COATS, RESTMATS, AND TOWELS

KINDERGARTEN

- BACKPACK
- 6 BOXES CRAYONS - 8 COUNT (NO JUMBO CRAYONS) NO NAMES ON THESE!
- SCISSORS - FISKARS FOR CHILDREN
- 2 BOXES OF KLEENEX (200CT)
- SCHOOL BOX
- 4 FOLDERS WITH POCKETS/NO BRADS
- 4 PACKAGES OF 12 COUNT PENCIL COLORS (Crayola brand is preferred because they sharpen better)
- NO PENCIL OR CRAYON SHARPENERS
- 3 PACKAGES WET WIPES
- 4 GLUE STICKS - JUMBO SIZE
- 1 BOX 8 COUNT MARKERS- CRAYOLA BRAND IS PREFERRED
- 24-NO. 2 PENCILS
- 2 LARGE PINK ERASERS

1 PKG. QUART SIZE ZIPLOCK BAGS
PLEASE PUT NAMES ON ALL BACKPACKS AND COATS!
All students will need to wear or bring Tennis Shoes for PE

STUDENT SUPPLY LIST

FIRST GRADE
SEND ALL SUPPLIES WITH YOUR CHILD'S NAME ON THEM.

FOR SCHOOL:

- 1 BOX MAP COLOR PENCILS
- 4 PACKAGES OF PENCILS
- 2 PKGS. PENCIL TOP ERASERS
- 2 BOXES CRAYOLA CRAYONS 24 CT. AND 3 BOXES OF 8 COUNT CRAYOLA CRAYONS NO CRAYON SHARPENERS!
- SMALL SHARP POINTED FISKARS SCISSORS
- SCHOOL BOX FOR SUPPLIES (NO EXTRA LARGE BOXES)
- 1 SET WATERCOLOR PAINTS- PRANG OR CRAYOLA BRAND
- 3 BOXES OF KLEENEX -200CT.
- 1-12" WOODEN RULER WITH CENTIMETER AND INCH MARKINGS. *No Plastic Rulers!*
- 8 FOLDERS WITH BOTTOM POCKETS
- TWO BOTTLES OF ELMERS GLUE - SEND BOTH
- BACKPACK
- 1 BOX CRAYOLA WASHABLE MARKERS

1 pkg. lunch sacks
1 pkg. of quart size Ziplock bags
FOR HOME: PENCILS AND CRAYONS TO USE FOR HOMEWORK
All students will need to wear or bring Tennis Shoes for PE

SUPPLY LIST

SECOND GRADE

- 1 PACKAGE (AT LEAST 6) RED MARKING PENCILS - *NOT PENS!*
 - SCHOOL BOX (CIGAR BOX SIZE - NOT EXTRA LARGE)
 - 2 ELMER'S SCHOOL GLUE 4 OZ.
 - 30 #2 PENCILS
 - SHARP POINTED SCISSORS - (FISKARS BRAND SCISSORS)
 - 6 FOLDERS WITH POCKETS-NO BRADS
 - CRAYONS-24 COUNT PLUS 2 BOXES OF 8 COUNT (ONE BOX OF THE 8 COUNT CRAYONS WILL BE USED AT SCHOOL AND ONE BOX WILL BE KEPT AT HOME FOR HOMEWORK.)
 - 4 LARGE BOXES OF KLEENEX
 - CRAYOLA MARKERS (8 WATER-BASED CRAYOLA BRAND-NOT PASTEL OR THIN LINE)
 - WATER COLORS
 - MAP PENCILS
 - NO RULERS
 - 1 PKG. DRY ERASE MARKERS (ASSORTED COLORS)
 - NO PENCIL SHARPENERS!*
 - 2 BOXES QUART SIZE ZIPLOCK BAGS
 - 1 pkg of paper plates
- All students will need to wear or bring Tennis Shoes for PE

FOR HOME: PENCILS AND CRAYONS TO USE FOR HOMEWORK.
PLEASE PUT YOUR CHILD'S NAME ON ALL SUPPLIES AND COAT

STUDENT SUPPLY LIST

THIRD GRADE

- 8 OZ. ELMER'S SCHOOL GLUE
- 2 DOZEN #2 PENCILS (SEND 2 EACH WEEK)
- SHARP POINTED SCISSORS (FISKARS)
- 24 CT. CRAYOLA CRAYONS
- RULER WITH 1/4" MARKINGS WITH CENTIMETERS AND MILLIMETERS (WOODEN ONLY - NO PLASTIC RULERS)
- 4 FOLDERS WITH BRADS
- 3 PKGS. NOTEBOOK PAPER -LARGE LINED (800 SHEETS NEEDED FOR YEAR - NO COLLEGE RULED)
- 1 NARROW SPELLING DICTATION (6X9 STENO SPIRAL NOTEBOOK)
- 2 PINK ERASERS
- 2 BOXES KLEENEX
- 4 RED PENCILS
- 1 PKG. MAP COLORS
- CHEAP THIN PLASTIC 1" RING BINDER
- NO TRAPPERKEEPERS- WE HAVE NO SPACE FOR THEM*
- 1 PKG. TAB DIVIDERS
- 2 DRY ERASE MARKERS (black or blue)
- 1 PKG. WASHABLE MARKERS
- 1 SMALL SCHOOL BOX - PLASTIC -(WE HAVE NO SPACE AVAILABLE FOR LARGE ONES)
- 4 sheets of white poster boards (Please do not put names on the poster boards)

PLEASE HAVE YOUR CHILD'S NAME ON ALL SUPPLIES AND COATS!
All students will need to wear or bring Tennis Shoes for PE

STUDENT SUPPLY LIST

FOURTH GRADE

- NOTEBOOK PAPER -LARGE LINED (800 SHEETS NEEDED FOR YEAR)
 - 4 RED GRADING PENS/ PENCILS
 - 3 PKGS. #2 PENCILS
 - 2 HIGHLIGHTERS
 - RULER WITH 1/8" MARKINGS WITH CENTIMETERS
 - CRAYONS- (AT LEAST 24 CT.)
 - SHARP POINTED SCISSORS
 - ELMER'S SCHOOL GLUE
 - 2 BOXES KLEENEX - LARGE
 - 6 FOLDERS WITH POCKETS AND BRADS
 - 1 SET OF FINE LINE WASHABLE MARKERS
 - 12 PKG. MAP COLORS
 - 2 GLUE STICKS
 - 1 - 3 RING BINDER
 - 1 ZIPPER BAG FOR BINDER
 - 1 5 -SUBJECT SPIRAL NOTEBOOK
 - 2 LARGE ERASERS OR PKG. PENCIL TOP ERASERS
 - 4 sheets of white poster boards (Please do not put names on the poster boards)
 - 1 BOX OF REGULAR OR GALLON SIZE BAGGIES
- All students will need to wear or bring Tennis Shoes for PE

STUDENT SUPPLY LIST

FIFTH AND SIXTH GRADES

- 1 - 1 1/2 in. Solid Colored 3 ring notebook for Language Arts
 - SEVERAL PKGS. OF PENCILS-NO MECHANICAL PENCILS, PLEASE.
 - 2 FOLDERS WITH BRADS AND POCKETS IN THESE COLORS :BLUE AND RED
 - 2 HIGHLIGHTERS
 - 1 GLUE
 - 1 LARGE PAIR POINTED SCISSORS
 - 3 BOXES KLEENEX
 - 6 PKGS. NOTEBOOK PAPER-WIDE RULED
 - 2 SETS MAP PENCILS - NO MARKERS PLEASE
 - 2 RED PENS/PENCILS
 - TRAPPER KEEPER (Optional)
 - 2 BOXES BABY WIPES
 - SCHOOL SUPPLY BOX - MAKE SURE IT FITS YOUR SUPPLIES
 - RULER WITH MM, CM, AND INCH MARKS
 - 1 LARGE PINK ERASER
 - 6TH GRADE ONLY - 1 COMPASS
 - 2 BOXES QUART SIZE ZIPPER BAGGIES (NOT SANDWICH)
- All students will need to wear or bring Tennis Shoes for PE

No Pens, Crayons, or Markers!

Upcoming Sales Tax Holiday 2006

Consumers across the state will soon be able to take advantage of the upcoming back-to-school sales tax holiday, announced State Representative Jim Keffer (R-Eastland). The annual Sales Tax Holiday is set for the first full weekend in August.

"Texans have the opportunity to save millions of dollars during this program," said Representative Keffer. "I strongly encourage the citizens of District 60 to invest in their community by shopping locally, and parents can then focus their resources on their children's education, healthcare or whatever they deem most necessary."

From Friday morning to midnight on Sunday, August 4-6, shoppers will be able to purchase most clothes and shoes without paying any sales taxes. The holiday will help expand parents' spending power to more easily obtain much needed items for their children's education.

The tax break will apply to both state and local sales taxes adding up to a large amount of savings. Retailers have seen an increased number of shoppers during the holiday comparable to the days after Thanksgiving and Christmas.

During the period, clothes and shoes, including boots that sell for less than \$100 will not be taxed. However, tax will still be due on athletic and protective clothing that is not normally worn except for their intended use. For example, items such as metal baseball cleats, rarely worn except for when playing baseball, will still be taxed. Additionally, taxes will still be due on sales of accessories, jewelry, handbags, luggage, umbrellas, wallets, watches, and similar items.

For more information about the sales tax holiday, please visit the Texas Comptroller's web site at www.window.state.tx.us or call toll free at 1-800-252-5555.

USDA Announces Changes To Marketing Assistance Loan and Loan Deficiency

WASHINGTON, July 27, 2006 - The U.S. Department of Agriculture's Commodity Credit Corporation (CCC) today announced changes to the marketing assistance loan (MAL) and loan deficiency payment (LDP) program. The amended policies and procedures affect the 2006 and subsequent crop years.

CCC made the changes in Chapter 7 of the Code of Federal Regulations, Part 1421 (7 CFR Part 1421) through a final rule issued June 6, 2006. The rule is posted online at <http://www.fsa.usda.gov/dafp/psd/7cfr1421.pdf>. On July 7, 2006, CCC clarified some of the changes to open storage, contract policy and other issues through Notice LP-2035. The notice is posted online at: ftp://165.221.16.16/public/notices/lp_2035.pdf.

The following are some of the regulatory changes to the MAL and LDP program:

* Beneficial interest provisions - In the past, loan program regulations did not state that a producer loses beneficial interest in a loan eligible commodity when the commodity is delivered to a dairy, feedlot, ethanol plant, feed mill, wool pool or other end-use facility. The regulations were amended to state that beneficial interest is lost when a loan eligible commodity is delivered to one of the previously mentioned facilities.

* Announcement of the adjusted world price (AWP) for rice - CCC changed the announcement time and day from Tuesdays at 3 p.m. Eastern time (ET) to Wednesdays at 7 a.m. ET.

* Lien searches and financing statements - After reviewing the costs incurred by CCC and the benefits to CCC, CCC will limit its use of lien searches for MALs greater than \$25,000 and file financing statements only for farm-stored MAL disbursements of \$25,000 or more. In the past, CCC conducted lien searches on all loans regardless of the loan amount. CCC may, however, conduct lien searches and file financing statements for loan disbursements of \$25,000 or less when there is reason to believe that CCC's interests will not be protected.

* Use of form CCC-633 EZ - In an effort to simplify the LDP request process, CCC recently issued a new LDP form, CCC-633 EZ. The CCC-633 EZ is a two-part form consisting of an agreement, which is page 1 of the CCC-633 EZ, and a request for benefits, which is either pages 2, 3 or 4, depending on the commodity.

The 2002 Farm Bill provides for MALs and LDPs for the 2002-2007 crops of wheat, corn, grain sorghum, barley, oats, soybeans, other oilseeds (including sunflower seed, canola, safflower, flaxseed, rapeseed, mustard seed, crambe and sesame seed), rice, upland cotton, peanuts, honey, wool, mohair, dry peas, lentils and small chickpeas.

MALs provide producers interim financing at harvest time to meet cash flow needs without having to sell their commodities when market prices are typically at harvest-time lows. Allowing producers to store production at harvest facilitates more orderly marketing of commodities throughout the year. A producer who is eligible to obtain a loan, but who agrees to forgo the loan, may obtain an LDP. USDA's Farm Service Agency (FSA) administers the MAL and LDP program on behalf of CCC.

An FSA fact sheet provides more information about the MAL and LDP program. The fact sheet is found online at <http://www.fsa.usda.gov/pas/publications/facts/html/nonrec03.htm>.

Centennial Of The County Extension Agent

In 2006, the Centennial of the first County Extension Agent in Texas will occur. Smith County which is Tyler, Texas, hired William C. Stallings on November 12, 1906 as the first County Agent in the nation to serve only one county. Today, Texas Cooperative Extension has County Extension Agents serving the needs of Texans in all 254 counties.

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You may email your story to wmescott@ag.tamu.edu or mail to Wendy Scott, County Extension Agent 4-H and Youth Development, Parker County, 604 North Main, Suite #200, Weatherford, Texas 76086. If you like, please include your contact information, in case we wish to contact you for more information. If you have any questions, you may call Wendy at 817/598-6172. Deadline for stories will be September 8, 2006.

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Panther Football Important Dates To Remember

- August 7th - 1st day of practice (shorts) grades 9 thru 12 (Monday) 8:45 A.M. team meeting - 9:00 to 10:30 practice 6:00 to 8:30 P.M. (2nd practice)
- Aug-8th - 9:00 A.M. to 10:30 & 6:00 to 8:30 P.M. (Tuesday)
- Aug 9/10/11 - 6:00 to 9:00 P.M. (just one practice) Wed/Thurs/Friday
- ** Saturday Aug 12th - 9:00 to 10:30 A.M. Red/Blue scrimmage
- Aug 14th - Monday - 1st day of school (practice 2:30 to 6:00)
- August 19th - Saturday 1st Scrimmage Evant/Johnson City Time - TBA @ Evant
- August 24th - Thursday 2nd Scrimmage @ Miles Time TBA
- September 1st - Friday - Game One vs Roby @ Gorman
- ** Jr. High practice begins 1st day of school (supply own cleats)

2006 Football Schedule

Date	Opponent	Time	Location
August 19th	Scrimmage Evant/Johnson City	Evant	TBA
August 24th	Scrimmage Miles	Miles	TBA
September 1st	Roby	Gorman	7:30
September 8th	Covington	Covington	7:30
September 15th	Ben Bolt	Taylor	7:30
September 22nd	**Sterling City	Gorman	7:30
September 29th	*Ranger	Ranger	7:30
October 6th	*Perrin	Gorman	7:30
October 13th	*Santo	Santo	7:30
October 20th	open		
October 27th	*Cross Plains	Gorman	7:30
November 3rd	*DeLeon	DeLeon	7:30
November 10th	*Tolar	Gorman	-7:30

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-- Randy's Roundup --

A Weekly Newsletter from Congressman Randy Neugebauer July 31, 2006

War on Terror Heats Up in Lebanon

Just like many Americans, I have been watching the events unfold in Lebanon in recent weeks. Once again, we are seeing Islamic terrorists hold a region hostage. Once again, we are seeing hostile groups work toward the goal of wiping Israel of the map. And, once again, we are hearing calls from the "international community" for a ceasefire. However, no country can be expected to make peace with those who deny its right to exist and who use terror to attack its population. Israel has a fundamental right - and solemn obligation - to protect its citizens from terrorist organizations.

It is imperative that Israel is successful in weakening Hezbollah and Hamas. These terrorist groups are being aided, funded, armed, and directed by Iran and Syria. These two terrorist-supporting states are seeking to destabilize - and eventually dominate - the region. This has a direct impact on our security and the security, ultimately, of many of our friends and allies.

The Israel-Hezbollah conflict drives home the point that we are engaged in a global struggle. The terrorists have proven that they will intentionally target innocent civilians in Israel, London, Madrid, Bali, Baghdad and New York City. As a result, the terrorists must be dealt with wherever they operate.

Upcoming Coffees

After voting until the early hours Saturday morning, the House will be out of session until Labor Day. This break in legislative business will allow me to get back to God's country for the month of August. I will be traveling across the 19th District where I will host 17 "Coffee with the Congressman" events between August 7 and August 29.

All are invited to attend these "Coffees" which give constituents an opportunity to let me know what issues are important to them. I will also give a brief update on what the House has been doing to strengthen border security, write the next Farm Bill, and tackle a wide range of other issues affecting our country.

The first Coffee will be held at the Life Enrichment Center in Tahoka on August 7 at 2:30 p.m. To find out when I will be heading to your hometown, keep an eye out in your local papers, visit my website www.randy.house.gov, or contact my office by calling 888-763-1611 (toll free).

--Randy

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