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Deann Powell Hosts Texas Star Gardeners



Pictured L-R: Linda Gibbs, Deann Powell, Patsy Clark, Kay Craddock, Monda Oldham, Caro Boswell, Shirley Daniels, Joy Rogers and (Seated) Mary Kirk. (Not pictured) Carolyn Gilbert.

The Texas Star Gardeners enjoyed a tour of the landscape projects of Deann Powell recently. Preceding the tour she gave a step by step program on her recent projects, including a water feature and a stone patio in the Tuscan theme. Shirley Daniels, friend and neighbor, also opened her yard and her projects to the group. These ladies often work together and share ideas. Joy Rogers presented each participant with a poster sized brochure called Wildflowers of Texas. The brochure, distributed from the Texas Department of Transportation, features information on fifty two species of wildflowers. The next meeting of the Texas Star Gardeners will be held at the homes of Bob and Brenda Hammontree and Carolyn Gilbert at 10:00AM on August 21. All interested persons are welcome to attend.

Lone Star Barbecue Society Cook-Off in Hamilton August 1-2

Hamilton Band Boosters will host their fifth annual Lone Star Barbecue Society-sanctioned barbecue cook-off Aug. 1 and 2 in Hamilton at the Jayson Harris Pavilion. This event is the band's largest fundraiser of the year.

bership in the society is not necessary, everyone is welcome to compete.

ribs, brisket and jack pot beans and Dutch oven desserts.

The entry fee for meat categories will be \$50 and a cooked brisket. There is an additional \$10 fee for jackpot beans and Dutch

Due to limits on electricity and water, those conveniences are available on a first-come basis or may be reserved with a \$10 prepayment.

First, second and third place winners will receive cash and

The meat will be used for the fundraising barbecue meal to

be held Saturday, Aug. 2.

at 254-386-3989 or downloaded a form at www.atssb. org.bbq.

Teams from all around Texas are expected to attend. Mem-

Categories for the cook-off will be ½ chicken, pork spare

oven desserts.

trophies. Fourth through tenth place winners will receive ribbons.

For entry forms or more information, call Mark Blackwell

STORY TELLING / STORY WRITING

WHAT: WHERE: WHEN:

A Workshop for kids of all ages The Charlie Garret Memorial Library Tuesday Mornings from 10 to 12

August 5, 12, and 19th In this workshop kids will sharpen their reading, listening, and writing skills - plus have a lot of fun!!!!!

Rebecca Lipson - Tuesday morning library volunteer will lead this free workshop

Please call 734-4305 to register your child for this class.

SANDRA CAGLE WILL BE IN GORMAN AT THE CITY OFFICE TO RENEW AUTO LICENSE PLATES. HER NEXT VISIT IS WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 20TH FROM 9 TIL NOON.

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

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

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

Boy Scouts

Meeting Weekly Tuesdays - 7:00 p.m. Methodist Church

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

4-H - Meets Second Monday of Each Month at 6:00 p.m. at the First United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall - Amy Wood - 734-2973.

VET Science 4-H Project - 4th Tuesday each Month. Techology Center / Gorman Community Center. Contact Lee or Amy Wood at 254-734-2973.

Gorman Masonic Lodge No. 716 A.F. & A. M. Regular stated meetings are 2nd Tuesday of each month at 7:30 p.m. Members are urged to attend. Visitors are always welcome. Gerald Ragland, Master - Roscoe Reeves, Secretary.

LAKE AND RIVER **SWIMMERSSHOULD BE AWARE**

July 18, 2008 - Texans throughout the Brazos River basin are beating the heat by taking trips to the river and lakes nearby. The Brazos River Authority encourages visitors to enjoy the water, while keeping in mind the health risks associated with swimming in or around stagnant or slow-moving water.

the summer months, primary meningoencephalitis amebic (PAM) is a rare disease that is caused by an ameba found in almost all untreated, fresh surface water and in soil. The diseasecausing ameba thrives in fresh water that is above 80 degrees and is stagnant or slow-moving. The PAM infection occurs when water containing the organism is forced into the nasal passages usually from diving or jumping into water. Upon making its way into the brain and spinal cord, the ameba destroys the brain tissue.

Symptoms of the almost always fatal infection include seand hallucinations as the condi-

tion worsens. Although PAM is rare - affecting about one to three people a year in Texas - those infected usually succumb to the disease within a week.

To prevent infection, it is recommended that those taking part in warm, fresh water-related activities use nose clips or hold their nose shut while jumping into the water. With the ameba often found in soil, it is best to avoid stirring up the sediment under the water. The Texas Department of Health recommends that people avoid stagnant or polluted water and take "No Swimming" signs seriously.

PAM cannot be spread person to person nor by drinking water. Swimming pools that are properly cleaned, maintain and chlorinated are generally safe, as is salt water.

For more information contact the Texas Department of State Health Services Public Information Office at (512) 458-7400.

Progress On New Building Continues



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Eastland Co. Emmaus Community Reorganized

The Eastland County Emmaus Community has reorganized! If you have been on an Emmaus Walk and have missed having local community meetings in the Eastland county area, now you have the opportunity to attend on the third Saturday of each month at the Leon River Cowboy Church just east of the Cattle Exchange on the south access road of I-20 between Eastland and Ranger. As always, bring something to eat!

The meal is at 6:00 pm and the service will begin at 7:00 pm. For further information, call 254.734.5192. De-Colores!

Church Wide Garage Sale

Proceeds to benefit Mission Camp and The Youth Department of FBC - Gorman

August 2 2008

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7 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

To donate items to the sale - contact FBC @ 254-734-2420 or Lana Sharp at 254-758-2238. We will pick up your items

Baseball and Softball Tournaments Successful

The Gorman Baseball Commission would like to thank all those who help make our Baseball and Softball Tournaments a success. It was a lot of hard work and a lot of dedication. We hope that all those that attended enjoyed all the excitement. There were some games that were nerve racking. Those teams that attended the Girls TTAS 10 and under were De Leon Slammers, De Leon Bad News Babes, Comanche Lady Horns, Ballinger Team Extreme, Winters Chix w/Stix, Brownwood Panthers, Brownwood Thunder, Cisco Strike Force and Ranger Diamond Divas. The First Place Team ws the Comanche Lady Horns. The Second Place Team was the De Leon Slammers. The Third Place Team was the Brownwood Panthers. All these teams had a tie to our City. We also gave out Most Valuable Player for offense and defense. These girls were Hannah Linsey (De Leon Most prevalent during Slammers) and Hannah Loudermilk (Comanche Lady Horns). The first and second place teams are going to Whitehouse to play this week in the State Tournament. We wish them luck.

The Freshman Tight Base TTAB 12 and under Boys Tournament was the next week. We had a big crowd for this one. There were only 4 teams but a large tournout. The teams were Gorman Panthers, De Leon Plowboys, Cisco Braves and Ranger Cubs. We had some close games here, to. The First Place went to Cisco Braves and Second to Ranger Cubs. They get to go to the State Tournament in Eastland on July 28th. We wish them luck. There were two most valuable players at this tournament also. They were Mason Reed and Dyllan ?? (sorry missed his last name).

We also had boys and girls from our baseball program that were picked up and are playing on other teams. Myra Ramirez was picked up by the De Leon Slammers. Alex Rainey and Jacob Ervin were picked up by De Leon Rangers. Trent Fenley and Calvin Martin were picked up by De Leon S&S.

The De Leon Slammers are playing in Whitehouse this week. The De Leon Rangers were Third in the District Tournament last week in De Leon. They played very good ball!!

The De Leon S&S Team will be traveling to Colorado City next week to play in the State Tournament. If you would like to help these boys out with the expenses please contact Barbara Fenley or the De Leon Baseball Commission.

The 12 and under Girls (Red Sox) and the Pony League Boys (A's) went to District Touranvere headache, high fever, stiff ment in Brownwood. They thank you for your support. We would like to congratulate all the Boys neck, nausea, vomiting, seizures and Girls, they did great this year.

Look Who's New It's A Boy

LaBonte- A Boy, Alexander Edward LaBonte, was born on Friday, June 20th, 2008, to Sheri and Brandon LaBonte of South Riding, Virginia, at Reston Medical Center. He weighed 7 lbs. 11 ozs., and was 20.25 inches long.

Maternal grandparents are Connie and Dwayne Snider of Stephenville, Texas. Maternal great grandparents are the late Norman and Imolene Park and the late C.L. (Pete) and Hazel Snider.



Paternal grandparents are Eugene La-Bonte, Jr. of Rochester, Massachusetts and the late Sylvia LaBonte. Paternal great grandparents are Eugene, Sr. and Nellie LaBonte of Putman, Connecticut and the late Opal Allard and Joe Fontaine of Thompson, Connecticut.

Special aunt is Lisa Snider of Sterling, Virginia and special uncle is Garrett LaBonte of Rochester, Massachusetts.

Thank You!!

To all who helped me celebrate my 90th Birthday, I Thank You!! Each though, visit, card and gift is appreciated.

Aline Garrett

Birthday Party Please join us in belfing our mom, Martha Rainey celebrate her 60th. Date: Saturday August 2nd

> Time: 2:00pm to 4:00pm Gorman Hotel Lobby

Please no gifts; your presence is gift enough.



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Clara Dezaree Jenkins Johnson

Clara Dezaree Jenkins Johnson, age 93 of De Leon, passed away on Wednesday, July 16, 2008 at Comanche Co. Medical Center. Services were held on Friday, July 18th at 2 p.m. at Nowlin Funeral Home Chapel with Jackie Auvenshine officiating. Music by LaRessie Wilkerson and Vicki Robinett. Burial was in De Leon Cemetery.

Clara was born on December 19, 1914 in Duster to the late Avery Lee Jenkins and Mary Dezaree Coan Jenkins. She married Tom Johnson on August 16, 1934 in Rock Bluff Community.

Clara was a homemaker; farmer and rancher. She had resided in De Leon area all of her life. She was a member of the Baptist Church.

She is survived by on daughter, Mary Lou Weaver and husband James of De Leon; one granddaughter, Christy Chester and husband

Jimmy Don and one great-granddaughter Alex Chester. She was preceded by her husband, Tom Johnson on May 30, 1993 and two brothers, Sam Jenkins and Cleo Jenkins.

Pallbearers were Jim Farley, Roger Pounds, Sam Robinett, Randy Barnes, Jackie Wayne Pounds and Sam Frasier.

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Charles Vernon Skaggs

Thursday, July 17, 2008 at Conroe Regional Hospital, Conroe, Tx. Services was Monday, July 21st at Nowlin Funeral Home with Gene Talbot officiating. Music by Vicki Robinett and Jim Farley. Burial was in Garden of Memory, Comanche Co.

Charles was born June 22, 1934 in Gorman to the late Jesse Vernon Skaggs and Artie Singleton Skaggs. He married Katie Sims on June 30, 1951 in Gorman.

Mr. Skaggs was a retired machinist, a farmer and heavy equipment operator. He had resided in De Leon area all of his life. He was a member of Rock Bluff Baptist Church.

He is survived by his wife, Katie Skaggs of De Leon; son Ralph Skaggs and wife Lorrie of Dublin; one daughter, Pamela Gail Talbot and husband Rev. Gene Talbot of Crosby; 3 brothers, Bobby Skaggs of De Leon, Gene Skaggs of Gorman and Harold Skaggs of Comanche; 2 sisters, Frances Howard of Dc Leon and Ona Mae Odom of De Leon; 4 grandchildren, Michael Talbot, Rendell Skaggs, Lisa Grover, Justine Skaggs and two great-grandchildren, Taylor Talbot and Chase Talbot.

He was preceded by his parents, Vernon and Artie Skaggs and one brother, Donnie Skaggs

Pallbearers were Jim Farley, Jackie Robinett, DeWitt Robinett, Sam Robinett, Steve Singleton and Neil Singleton.

ments. Specs can be obtained from the Superintendent's office, 114 W. Lexington, Gorman, TX. Foam or Metal roofing. Bids will be taken until 8:00 a.m., Tuesday, July 29th.

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320±A, on Turkey Creek, FM 2247 frontage, spring creek, wildlife cover, tanks, well, hunting, minerals \$880,000 [ETO1] 250±A, on Copperas Creek, 150 wooded, 100 coastal, lake, cabin, rural water \$850,000 REDUCED \$795,000 [LB01]

243 A, reservoir & wells, irrigation pit, highway frontage, cultivation, costal, native pasture \$2,500 per acre [ABO1] 236± A, wells & tanks, rolling terrain, minerals available,

hunting \$2,195 per acre (DSO2) - UNDER CONTRACT 231 A, on Leon River, wells, pecan trees, hunting, minerals available \$751,530 REDUCED \$665,280 [DK01]

150 A, rolling terrain, minerals \$442,500 [LO01] - SOLD 100 A, approx. 95 A of costal, 5 A wooded, Located about

1/2 mile off Hwy.36 \$275,000 [JW01] - SOLD 90 A, 4-3 Brick Home, fireplace, game room, RV shed, well & tank, minerals neg. \$392,500 [BE01] - UNDER CONTRACT 81 A, Pecan Orchard, approx. 900 improved variety trees,

underground drip irrigation, 9 wells \$405,000 [REMO1] 52 A, 4-3 Brick Home, carport, wells & tanks, corrals, barns \$250,000 REDUCED \$239,500 [LP01]

51 A, with highway frontage, spring creek and hunting 182,000 [RP01]

45 A, 7 irrigation wells & pit, buried mainline w/risers,

mineral available \$2,750 per Acre [NF01] 30 A, 3-21/2 Custom Built Home, garage, porch, RV shed & shop, barn, wells & tanks, Hwy.16 frontage \$450,000 [DB01]

25.6 A, 4-21/2 Brick Home, garage, carport, storage buildings, water well & tanks \$210,000 [JB03] 24.5 A, on Flat Creek, with water well, native pasture, close

to highway \$98,000 [MP01] - SOLD 20 A, excellent home site, costal, rural water supply

available, hunting, minerals negotiable \$75,000 [wmo1] 15±A, 3-2 Double Wide, water well, carport, covered porch, storage buildings, near Proctor Lake \$115,000 (LRO2)

5 A, 4-2 Brick Home, carport, storage buildings, pecan trees, wells & tanks \$120,000 REDUCED \$99,995 [WK01]

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3-2 Double Wide, screened porch, workshop, wells, 2 large lots and older frame home \$135,000 [JA02]

3-2 Frame Home, 2.5 Acres, wood burning stove, carport, rural water, well, shop \$137,500 REDUCED \$99,900 [CC03] • 2-11/2 Frame Home, garage, storage building \$75,000 (STO1) • 3-2 Doublewide, 2/car carport, on 3+ lots \$70,000 [LK01]

• 2-1 Frame Home, 2.3 A, screened porch \$55,000 [GB02] 2-1 Fleetwood 14'x 52', large shaded corner lot, water well, undergound sprinkler, carport, pecan trees \$35,000 μτο3]...

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nice location for pond, good fences, sandy land. \$2,500 Acre

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elec., good soil, nice pond site. Will Divide \$2,500 per acre 100 A west De Leon FM587, 3 - 1 1/2 - 2 brick, 1444 sq. ft., C/HA, fireplace, carpeted, some remodeling, 3 ponds, 30a crop land, 35a coastal, some native, fenced, 2 steel corrals, 2 wells, shop building. Nice setup. Mineral Rights. \$2,950.00 A. NEW: 156 A. Carbon, 1/2 wooded - 1/2 fields, deer, turkey, 3 ponds, nice 2 - 2

mh, central a/C, barn, corral, county water. \$4,000 acre. 179 A. south of Gorman: Part wooded, part old fields, deer & hogs, 2 nice ponds, sandy soil, elec., several water wells, condition is unknown. \$2,350.00

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Brooklyn Sky Barker

Brooklyn Sky Barker, infant of De Leon passed away on Thursday, July 15, 2008 at Comanche Co. Medical Center. Grave-Charles Vernon Skaggs, age 74 of De Leon passed away on side services were Thursday, July 17th at Downing Cemetery with Jackie Auvenshine officiating.

Brooklyn was born on July 15th to Mandy Barker.

She is survived by her mother, Mandy Barker of De Leon; grandparents, Dale Barker of De Leon and Becky Barker of Amarillo; great-grandparents, Troy Barker of De Leon and Peggy Scott Pierce of De Leon.

Gorman City Minutes

JULY 17, 2008

The Gorman City Commission met on the above date. Those present were Mayor Robert Ervin, Commissioners Nathan Files, Cliffa Vaughn, and Joe Casey. Absent was Charlie Torrez. Others present were Glenn Scitern and Trace Gortt. ** Nathan arrived @ 5:35 p.m.

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

Mayor Ervin called the meeting to order @ 5:30 p.m.

Joe made the motion to approve the minutes as read, Cliffa made a second. Motion carried 2-0.

Nathan made the motion to approve the bills for payment Cliffa made a second. Motion carried 3-0.

Joe made the motion to take Trace Gortt off of probation, and instate as a regular full time employee. Trace will be added to the City insurance program, wage will remain the same. Cliffa made a second. Motion carried 3-0.

The Commission will meet in a Called meeting to discuss the Police Dept. Monday July 21. Agenda was posted.

No action on the quitclaim deed on Hall and Scurry.

There being no further items for discussion, Joe made the motion to adjourn with a second from Nathan. Motion carried, time was 6:00 p.m.

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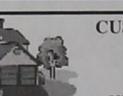
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BRAZOS G REGIONAL WATER PLANNING GROUP (REGION G) SEEKS NOMINATIONS FOR NEW VOTING MEMBERS

The Brazos G Regional Water Planning Group (Brazos G) is soliciting nominations for two (2) voting members representing various interests in the Brazos G Regional Water Planning Area. Nominations will be accepted until 5:00 pm, Wednesday, September 10, 2008. In selecting a voting member for each vacancy, the Brazos G Group will consider a number of factors, including the nominee's qualifications to represent the interest category, willingness to devote the time necessary to participate in the Regional Water Planning process, and willingness to abide by the Brazos G Bylaws. The Brazos G voting members will strive to achieve geographic, ethnic, and gender diversity. Nominees are invited to visit the Brazos G website at www.brazosgwater.org for additional information including this press release, the new member application form and a current member hometown map.

The two (2) voting member vacancies are defined as follows:

One (1) voting member vacancy representing 'Public Interests' defined in 31 T.A.C. § 357.4 as those persons or entities having no economic interest in the interests represented by paragraphs (2) through (11) of this subsection other than as a normal consumer

One (1) voting member vacancy representing the interest of 'Water Utilities' defined as any persons, corporations, cooperative corporations, or any combination thereof that provide water supplies for compensation, except for municipalities, river authorities, or water districts

Terms: The new voting members shall be filling terms that expire at the last meeting of calendar year 2008; and thereafter, shall be eligible to serve a maximum of five (5) consecutive two-year terms.

Meetings: In order to provide a smooth transition into the Brazos G Group, the newly elected voting members will be required to attend all Brazos G meetings, including orientation session(s), prior to their official appointment date which will begin with the last meeting of calendar year 2008.

Travel Expenses: Brazos G members are not compensated for their services by the State of Texas. If eligible, travel expenses for voting members may be reimbursed in accordance with rules adopted by the Texas Water Development Board as funds are available.

Nominee packets shall include the following:

New Member Application Form

Resume

Support Letters – maximum of six (6) recommended

Nomination packets should be mailed to the following address and will be accepted until 5:00 pm, Wednesday, September 10, 2008.

Brazos G RWPG Executive Committee

c/o Trey Buzbee

Brazos River Authority P.O. Box 7555

Waco, Texas 76714-7555

The Executive Committee will have thirty (30) days to review the packets received and will schedule a meeting shortly thereafter to discuss and recommend nominees to the Brazos G Group at their next regularly scheduled meeting. Nominees will be asked to attend these meetings to answer any questions and to meet the Brazos G members.

What is Brazos G?:

In accordance with Senate Bill 1 passed during the 75th Texas Legislative Session, the Texas Water Development Board (TWDB) in Austin was authorized to divide the state into 16 regional water planning areas. The Brazos G Regional Water Planning Group (Brazos G) is one of the regional planning groups established by the TWDB to develop a regional water plan. Brazos G has been working since 1998 to develop a comprehensive regional water plan for its 37-County planning area, which extends generally along the Brazos River from Kent, Stonewall and Knox Counties in the Northwest to Washington and Lee Counties in the Southeast.

The regional water plans provide for the orderly development, management, and conservation of water resources, and include drought preparation and response. The goal of the planning process is to assure that sufficient water will be available at a reasonable cost to ensure public health, safety and welfare, further economic development and protect agricultural and natural resources.

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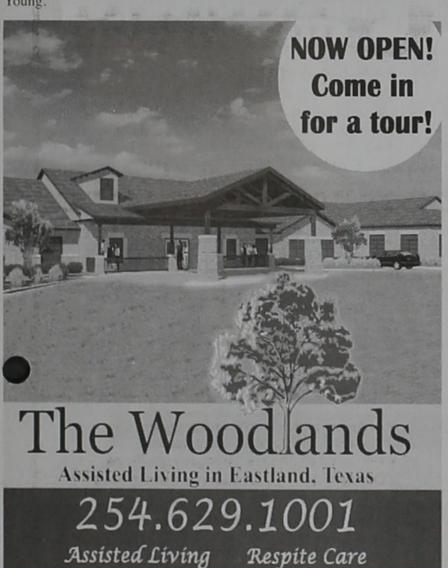
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The first regional water plans were submitted to the State in January 2001 and were compiled to form the State Water Plan in January 2002. The water plans identify current water supplies and future estimates of water demands. In cases where future demands are greater than existing supply sources, strategies are evaluated and recommended to meet the identified needs. State law requires that the regional water plans be updated every 5 years. The Brazos G Regional Water Planning Group just completed the development of its 2006 Brazos G Regional Water Plan. The 2006 Plan built upon the 2001 Plan to reflect new or changed conditions. Brazos G is currently working to complete the 2011 Brazos G Regional Water Plan.

The Brazos G Regional Water Planning Area has 37 counties nothing to compare it to. God's which include Bell, Bosque, Brazos, Burleson, Callahan, Comanche, Coryell, Eastland, Erath, Falls, Fisher, Grimes, Hamilton, Haskell, Hill, Hood, Johnson, Jones, Kent, Knox, Lampasas, Lee, Limestone, McLen-morning worship service with nan, Milam, Nolan, Palo Pinto, Robertson, Shackleford, Somervell, Stephens, Stonewall, Taylor, Throckmorton, Washington, Williamson and





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Guy's and Doll's Golf Tournament Set July 26 and 27th

Eastland - Lakeside Golf Course in Eastland will be hosting their annual Guy's & Doll's (1 guy, 1 doll) Golf Tournament on July 26-27th. Tee off time each day is 1:00 p.m. Cost is \$120 per team which includes a meal following play on Saturday. Call the clubhouse at 254-629-2892 to sign up or for more information. Lakeside Golf Course is located at 209 CR 157, Eastland 76448

AREA HOMES NEEDED FOR FOREIGN TEENS

Foreign high school students are scheduled to arrive soon for academic semester and year program homestays, and the sponsoring organization needs a few more local host families.

The students are all between the ages of 15 and 18 years, are English-speaking, have their own spending money, carry accident and health insurance, and are anxious to share their cultural experiences with their new American families. Pacific Intercultural Exchange currently has programs to match almost every family's needs, ranging in length from a semester to a full academic year, where the students attend local high schools.

P.I.E. area representatives match students with host families by finding common interests and lifestyles through an informal in-home meeting. Prospective host families are able to review student applications and select the perfect match. As there are no "typical" host families, P.I.E. can fit a student into just about any situation, whether it is a single parent, a childless couple, a retired couple or a large family. Families who host for P.I.E. are also eligible to claim a \$50.00 per month charitable contribution deduction on their itemized tax returns for each month they host a sponsored student.

For the upcoming programs, P.I.E. has students from Germany, the Former Soviet Republics, Venezuela, Brazil, Korea, Mexico, China and many other countries. P.I.E. is also participating in two special government-funded programs to bring scholarship students from the newly independent states of the former Soviet Union as well as predominantly Islamic countries such as Yemen, Syria, Jordan, Morocco, Kuwait, Irag and Qatar to the United States. P.I.E. is a non-profit educational organization that has sponsored more than 25,000 students from 45 countries since its founding in 1975. The organization is designated by the United States Department of State and is listed by the Council on Standards for International Educational Travel (CSIET), certifying that the organization complies with the standards set forth in CSIET's Standards for International Educational Travel Programs.

P.I.E. Executive Director John Doty encourages families to contact the program immediately, as it will allow the proper time for the students and hosts to get to know one another before they actually meet for the first time.

Area families interested in learning more about student exchange or arranging for a meeting with a community representative may call P.I.E., toll-free at 1-888-PIE-USA1. The agency also has travel/study abroad program opportunities for American high school students as well as possibilities for community volunteers to assist and work with area host families, students and school.

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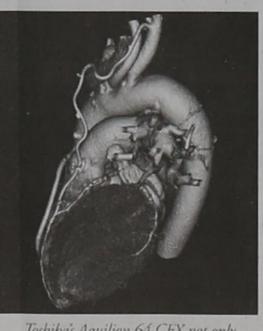
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Desdemona News

By Vonnie Guthery

County and Western Musical -- Desdemona Monthly Musical will be held on Saturday night, July 26th at the Community Center School Building. The Concession Stand will open at 5:30 p.m. Serving good food, homemade pie and drinks. Come early to enjoy supper and visit with all of the group before the music program begins at 6:00 p.m. All area musicians, singers and visitors are invited to attend. Enjoy Country and Western music with some Bluegrass and Gospel included. This is a "SMOKE FREE" environment and the admission is FREE.

Desdemona "HOGTOWN" Texas is still on the map. We are proud of our small town and the few stores to shop in. Lindley Clayton owns a "Gun Shop" located in the old Bank Building where he sells new guns, cleans and repairs guns, makes leather belts, etc. And has other gift items.

"HOGTOWN GENERAL STORE" owned by Mike and Mary Riggs is located near the traffic light on Hiway 16. They sell Watkins Products, Mexico Pottery, Wood Craft Items, Jewelry and many

"HAIR TRIM SHOP" owned by Tim Miller is located on the corner of Hiway 8 and 16 (in the former Floyd Moore Home). Give Time a call for your next haircut, Color Treatment, etc.

Make plans to stop by the "Country Corner" for Lunch, Hamburgers, Drinks, etc. And to meet the new owners, Benji and Crystal Nabors. They are open daily.

"BOOMTOWN CAFE" owned by Terry and Diane Denson is located next to the Postoffice. They are open Thursday, Friday and Saturday (5:00 p.m. To 9:00 p.m.) Serving Steaks, Catfish and other

We are proud to have our local Postoffice still in operation. Terry Gibbs is the present postmaster with Bobbie McKillip serving as Assistant Postmaster.

Go by to visit each of these stores, etc. and give them your support

Desdemona Homecoming and School Reunion will be held Saturday, August 9th at the "Ole" School Building. Morning program begins at 10 a.m. Noon Meal will be catered by Benji and Crystal Nabors, owners of the "Country Corner". Contact your former classmates and friends to attend this annual event.

Katie Duke of Stephenville and Emily James of Whitney spent the past week with their grandparents, "Humpy" and Betty Duke.

Have a great day, "Coon".

Senior Citizens News

Our salad luncheon was enjoyed by 28 people on Wednesday the 16th at 11:30. We didn't have as many salads as I'd hoped for. Only 5 and not a one with lettuce and tomatoes. The tomatoes scare is over folks. There never was one, now they say the peppers are the culpret. The people that brought such good salads in June didn't come, so one reason for the decline. There are so many different kinds of salads, pea, bean, corn, pasta, cornbread, Cole slaw and varieties of lettuce. I hope for a better turnout in August on Salad Day. If this hot, terrible weather continues we may go to salds and sandwiches more often. You don't need a lot of heavy food in summer.

We celebrated Beth Shirley and Aline Garrett birthdays. Barbara Bush made a delicious chocolate cake with nuts on top. Also had ice cream for all to enjoy. We sang Happy Birthday and all signed a card for both. Good to see Betty after having a sick spell, feeling better, and looking great. Her husband Frank had to make some jokes about her, but know they help take care of each other. Bro. Frank Shirley also said the Blessing for us al!.

Good to see Ann Warren here feeling better after having a bout of Bronchitis. I know all about it as I have the same weakness. I now have a summer cold, so miserable! But believe I've escaped bronchitis this time. I can now taste a little and not coughing as much. But feel so weak and trembly.

Our menu consisted of 2 potato salads, corn salad, carrot copper penny by Billie Bennett, so good, and a fruit salad. Also some fried potatoes and onions, beansm and cornbread and rolls made by Betty Regian. We had some sliced summer sausage and cheese with crackers. James Bruton, our banker, surprised us with a very delicious pound cake. Thanks James. We only had the Birthday cake, some fruit the housing market. After a 30 year career as a lender and a homebuilder, I understand the importance of market bars by Aline Garrett, and some cookies. Also Estelle Lindley made some sweetened grapes, wonder-

The young lady was here again to help us clean up. We appreciate her willingness even as I showed her a few extras to do. Like clean off the top of her refrigerator, always a dirty deed. Thanks again Sandra.

Game night on the 17th was attended by 11 people. I had to miss due to the cold I was coming down with. Heard they had great eats for supper. Sandwiches, cold cuts, all kinds of goodies.

I felt abandoned as my family left of the annual Comal River campout on Saturday the 19th. Some didn't leave till Monday. So Kendra and Ryan got several things I needed before they left. Holly Wright, Ryan's sister is still here, so I can always call on her if needed. Thanks to all.

A lady named Bobby Payton called me about Bill Sandlin's non-sugar peanut brittle. So I gave her the recipe. I enjoyed visiting with her. She lives in Fort Worth, but she and her brother attended Gorman Schools. The paper does reach out!!!

Hope all is well and see you next time, Carol.

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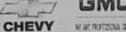
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Sen. Hutchison Introduces \$500 Million Border Law Enforcement Legislation Would Establish DOJ Grant Program with Focus on Border Communities

WASHINGTON -- U.S. Senator Kay Bailey Hutchison (R-TX), today filed legislation that would create a \$500 million grant funding program at the U.S. Department of Justice with a direct focus on helping border communities fight narcoterrorism.

"Our border law enforcement personnel are under assault and the Congress must provide the funding they need," said Sen. Hutchison. "Federal funding for combating narcotics trafficking must focus on the communities along the border that are on the frontlines."

The Border Law Enforcement Relief Act of 2008 will create and authorize \$100 million for each of the 2009-2013 fiscal years in federal grant funding, with two-thirds designated for border communities within 100 miles of the northern and southern borders. One-third of the grant funding will be designated for law enforcement agencies across the country that are affected by border-related criminal activity.

Funding from these grants could be used to obtain equipment, upgrade technology, hire additional personnel, and cover overtime and transportation costs associated with criminal activity along the border.

In May Sen. Hutchison secured \$100 million in federal funding for domestic law enforcement in the Senate version of the Supplemental Appropriations bill, but the funding was removed during a conference with the House.

Also today, Sen. Hutchison sent a letter to the Senate Appropriations Committee Chairman and Ranking Member (and the subcommittee of jurisdiction's Chairman and Ranking Member) asking that \$100 million be added to the second Emergency Supplemental Appropriations bill million for domestic law enforcement and \$15 million to fund Project Gun Runner).

-- Randy's Roundup --

A Weekly Newsletter from Congressman Randy Neugebauer July 21, 2008

Working To Ensure Access to Health Care For Rural Veterans

Ensuring access to affordable quality health care for our veterans has always been a priority of mine. Those who have answered the call of our nation to defend democracy and defeat tyranny deserve the very best our government can provide.

That is why I am a cosponsor of H.R. 1527, The Rural Veterans Access to Care Act, sponsored by Congressman Jerry Moran (R-KS). This legislation allows a "highly rural" veteran who is a patient enrolled in the VA system to elect to receive covered health services through a non-VA health care provider.

I am pleased to report this legislation was passed by the Committee on Veterans' Affairs last Wednesday. My hope is that the House leadership will quickly bring this to the floor to a vote, and I will urge my colleagues to support this critical legislation.

To qualify as a "highly rural" veteran, the following definition is provided by H.R. 1527- a veteran who resides more than 60 miles from the nearest VA facility providing primary care services and more than 120 miles from a VA facility providing acute hospital care, or more than 240 miles from a VA facility providing highly specialized medical care. Additionally, hardships or other difficulties in travel to the nearest appropriate VA facility, where the travel is not in the best interest of the veteran, would qualify an individual as a "highly

Care for our veterans is a promise we must fulfill and assisting those in rural America, such is in the expansive 19th District of Texas, is critical.

My Discussion With Treasury Secretary, Henry Paulson

With much uncertainty surrounding the financial markets, specifically the housing market, I spoke with the Treasury Secretary Henry Paulson on Friday, to assess the situation and discuss in further detail his thoughts to help achieve stability.

The bulk of our conversation was about Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac, and how important they are to stability and how it helps individuals realize the dream of owning their own home. Secretary Paulson believes the Treasury Department is taking steps to provide a bridge of confidence for the markets until they return to operating in a more stable manner.

While I believe the role of the federal government should be as minimal as possible, I also feel that it is important we work to find solutions to calm the current turbulence in the market. However, that should not mean increased government regulation or putting taxpayers at risk.

Early next week, I am scheduled to meet with the Federal Reserve Chairman, Ben Bernanke, to discuss the situation further. I look forward to the continued open dialogue with him and others, in hopes that Congress and the federal government can find pragmatic and sound solutions to these problems that do not pick

Currently the Federal Reserve and the U.S. Treasury Department are walking a very fine line in some uncharted waters.

Stimulus Checks - REMINDER

As the last of the economic stimulus checks are being mailed out, I want to remind folks that they may not receive their check if they have not filed the proper form with the IRS. The vast majority of Americans who qualify for the payment only had to file their 2007 individual income tax return to receive their payment this year, and most of those payments have been sent out.

However, if you are not normally required to file an income tax return because your income is low or you only receive Social Security or veterans' benefit income, you must file a 2007 tax return to be eligible for a stimulus payment.

The IRS has a simplified form for those who are not normally required to file a tax return. Please visit www.irs.gov to find detailed assistance dealing with your specific financial circumstances. You can also contact local IRS offices in Lubbock (806-472-7582) and Abilene (325-676-5709) for assistance. Additionally, you can always call my district office toll free at (888) 763-1611 for guidance.

As always, when events unfold in Washington, I will be sure to update you. In the meantime, do not hesitate to visit my website, or call my office toll free district wide at (888) 763-1611 or my Washington, office at 202-225-4005.

FOOD

Moms Unite to End Veggie Vetoes

NewsUSA

(NU) - Moms are often struck by the challenge of how to serve more vegetables to their family. but asking children to eat their vegetables doesn't have to lead to drama at the dinner table.

Nutrition instructor at the Culinary Institute of America, Connie Guttersen, R.D., Ph.D., offers these tips:

 Beans are a great vegetable to add to soups because they go well with other ingredients and come in a wide variety. Unlike most vegetables, beans are a good source of protein and an excellent source of fiber.

 If red pasta sauce is a favorite, incorporate veggies such as bell peppers, kidney beans and squash into the cooked tomato sauce. Use a handheld blender to make the texture creamy and all one

 Let your kids experience seasoning their veggies according to their tastes with herbs like basil, rosemary, cilantro or mint. Use simple flavors like olive oil, sea salt and lemon, or try using exciting flavors like chili powder, curry and your family's favorite spice rubs.

· Try flavorful recipes that include vegetables like beans. Bush's kid-tested and approved Mediter-



Add beans to your child's favorite pasta for a complete meal.

ranean Pasta and Pesto recipe is a great pick:

Mediterranean Pasta and Pesto

Serves 5 10 6 2 slices diced smoked bacon

l cup diced onions 2 tablespoons garlic sliced thin 1 tablespoon minced thyme 1 cup chopped canned tomatoes 1 can Bush's Cannellini Beans or Great Northern Beans with liquid 1/3 teaspoon salt

1 pinch of black pepper l tablespoon pesto 1 pound wagon-wheel pasta

Heat a 2-quart saucepot over medium heat. Add bacon, and Veggie Tips from the **Bush's Beans Moms** and Kids Panel

Add mashed vegetables to dough when making bread or

· Hide vegetables in pizza or

· Have your children pick their own vegetables at the gro-

· Expose your children to a wide variety of veggies early, so they won't be as picky.

· Talk with kids about the positive effects different vegetables have on their bodies to

encourage them to eat more. · Don't let kids snack too close to mealtime.

cook for four minutes until crispy

Reduce heat to low, and add garlic and thyme for two minutes. Add onions and tomatoes until translucent and soft. Finally, add beans with liquid, and simmer for 15 minutes. Combine with cooked pasta, and stir in pesto before serving.

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