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Panda's Flowers and Gifts Now Open - Formerly Foster Floral



I'm excited about becoming New Owner of Foster Floral. The shop name will change to Panda's Flowers and Gifts. I wish Gene a happy retirement and hope he gets to go fishing when he wants to and not get "called back to the shop to work". In an month or two I will have an Retirement / Grand Opening.

I will carry a wide selection of gifts such as, Candles, Windchimes, Music Carousels, Flowers, Plants, Silks, Planters, Balloons, Stuffed Animals, Gift Baskets, etc. I will have gift wrap available.

I would like to invite everyone to come in and say HI!! New items will be arriving daily. We are also going to strive to continue to do good quality work.

Shanda Morrison

Come Fly With Us — Summer Reading Program

The Gorman Public Library will be hosting a summer reading program on Tuesday mornings from 10:00 to 11:30 beginning July 11, 2006 and ending August 1, 2006. The program is for children ages 5-12. Each week we will read about things that fly and have a craft activity to go with the story time. We will also have reading logs available for kids who want to be recognized for their reading during the summer. Come and join us.

Blackwell Hospital Historical Marker Plaque Due Shortly

Blackwell Hospital Historical Committee's goal is near completion. The official historical marker for the hospital is in hand and available to be installed. The final wording on the companion plaque honoring Dr. D. V. Rodgers has been approved and the template for the plaque has been returned to the foundry for production.

It will take an additional \$200 to pay for the plaque and about \$300 for the site preparation cost. If you planned to contribute to this recognition of our history you may mail your check to Blackwell Hospital Historical Fund, American State Bank, Gorman, Texas 76454. Donations at tax exempt.

Miss Gorman



Miss Gorman - Reba Granado

Last week we made a mistake and put the wrong name under this photo. Sorry for the mistake!

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

For those of you who supported Coach Tooley while he was here in Gorman; I wanted to give you a "Coach Tooley Report"! Coach Tooley has been hired by Hico ISD as head volleyball coach. He will also be assistant girls basketball, assistant girls track coach, and will teach science. He has also been notified that he has passed his history composite test, and is now certified. The lord has truly smiled on Barry Tooley, since his dismissal from Gorman ISD. Those of us who knew him and supported him, knew he would do great things; and those that did not, will never understand what we have lost!

Good luck coach! You will do great!

Sincerely,
Bob Powell

Summer II Registration Begins at CJC

Cisco Junior College will soon begin registration for the Summer II semester. Registration at the Abilene Educational Center will be Thursday, July 6 from 8:30 a.m. until 2:30 p.m. Registration at the Cisco campus will be Monday, July 10 from 8:30 a.m. until 2:30 p.m. The first class day at both locations is July 10.

For more information about CJC, to view summer schedules, and apply online, visit our website at www.cisco.cc.tx.us

Comanche Co. History Book Needs Volunteers

The Comanche County History Book Committee is looking for individuals to research and write some biographies on the early Comanche County State Senators and Representatives.

These include Senator J. D. Stephens 1876; Representative N. R. Lindsey 1883; Representative W. O. Hamilton 1885; Senator J. M. Presler; Representative A. L. Burleson; Representative T. K. Seago; Representative J. R. Thomas, Representative William Howard, Representative R. W. Grays, Representative J. M. Reiger, Representative E. C. Gaines; Representative T. S. Ross; Representative W. T. Loudermilk; Representative B. F. Cadenhead; Representative C. J. Lee; Representative A. L. McDaniel; Representative George Rollins; Representative R. A. Luker; Representative H. F. Howington; Representative O. H. Moore; and Representative W. E. Heatley.

The Comanche County History Book Committee has a special set of guidelines for leaders. For the out of county or out of state volunteers willing to assist, please write CC History Book Committee, P. O. Box

669, Comanche, Tx 76442 with a stamped self addressed envelope.

Public Hearing Notice - Texas Community Development Program

Date of Publication: June 29, 2006

The City of Gorman City Commission will hold a public hearing @ 5:30 p.m. on July 6, 2006 @ Gorman City Office in regard to the submission of an application to the Office of Rural Community Affairs for Texas Community Development Program funds. The purpose of this meeting is to allow citizens an opportunity to discuss the citizen participation plan, the development of local housing and community development needs, the amount of TCDP funding available, all eligible TCDP activities, and the use of past TCDP funds. All citizens are encouraged to participate in the development of this application and to make their views known at this public hearing. Citizens unable to attend this meeting may submit their views and proposals to the Gorman City Office during regular office hours.

Persons with disabilities that wish to attend this meeting should contact City Office @ (254) 734-2317, or P.O. Box 236 Gorman, TX 76454 at least two days before the meeting so that appropriate arrangements can be made.

Class of 1981 — 25 Yr. Get-Together

It's that time — we are planning our Reunion Get-Together. I need addresses, e-mails, phone numbers. Contact Susan (Snider) Wheat at 254-647-1064 or claysue@eastland.net or 3018 FM 101, Ranger, Tx 76470

New Hope Vacation Bible School Set July 10 thru 14

New Hope Baptist Church to present Set Sail! on July 10 thru 14 from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. for ages 3 thru 12. Come aboard! Pre-registration Party, Saturday, July 8 from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. at the Gorman Swimming Pool.

Foster Floral Sells To Shanda Morrison

Carolyn and I are announcing the sale of Foster Floral to Shanda Morrison a long time Employee. We want to thank the people of Gorman and surrounding area for your support and trust in us to take care of your floral orders for the last Thirty-six and half years.

Carolyn and I are backing and supporting Shanda in her effort. We feel she is totally capable of doing the work.

We will continue to help her as long as she needs us. Shanda is excited and has already made some positive changes, so come by and see for yourself.

Gene and Carolyn Foster

Senior Citizens News

By Carol Ward

We enjoyed our weekly luncheon on June 28th with 33 in attendance. We all had a good time visiting and seeing some new faces.

Ann Maxfield was our mediator, as only she can call us to order. Do appreciate her help. Bro. Frank Shirley said grace. So good to see him and Beth.

Opal Burton has had many problems with her legs. Hope she improves and can be back with us soon. Do miss her and the good dishes she brings.

I appreciate Icy Munn for helping count our people. Between her and I we hope to get count correct. Also the men who are carrying out the trash while Max Bush is away. Thanks so much.

John and Willo Rice were with us, so good to see them. Wish they would come more often. She always brings a surprise dish, good and different.

It's nice to have Ima Brown here more often. She's always good to help in the cleanup.

We still play games on Friday at 6 p.m. usually 42 and card games. There were 12 here on the 30th. Hope to see more of you in the future.

**THURSDAY IS LARGE ITEM DAY!
REMEMBER YOUR LARGE ITEM THIS
THURSDAY. HAVE IT OUT BY THE CURB
JULY 6 AT
REGULAR PICK UP TIME.**

SUMMER WEIGHT ROOM/GYM HOURS

The Gorman Athletic Department will be opening the weight room and gym during the summer from 4:00 pm til 8:00 pm Monday thru Thursday. All student/athletes are encouraged to attend and follow the strength and conditioning program while any community members interested in using the facilities are certainly welcome. There are some rules to follow when using the facilities.

1. Please make sure to always respect the property and equipment of Gorman ISD by throwing away any trash and properly caring for the equipment.
2. Please rack all your weights when you are done lifting in the weight room.
3. Please put away all basketballs and volleyballs when done playing in the gym.
4. DO NOT TAKE DOWN THE VOLLEYBALL NET WHEN IT IS UP! The volleyball net will be up part of the time for our ladies to work on volleyball skills.
5. Also full court basketball is fine unless others who are not playing would like to shoot at one end. Please play half-court in that case so everyone can make use of the facility.
6. Community members please remember that Gorman ISD reserves the right to deny use of any facility and respect the fact that our athletes and students needs come first.

Please note that there are times during the day that the weight room can be opened by the Athletic Director. However those times and days are not set so there is no guarantee it can be open except for the set 4-8pm time slot.

ITEMS OF INTEREST

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.

Gorman Oaklawn Cemetery Donations can be sent to Aline Garrett, P. O. Box 711, Gorman, Tx 76454 or to American State Bank.

BLOOD PRESSURE CHECKS — Blood Pressure Checks by Heritage Manor of Gorman. Every Wednesday at Senior Citizens at 11:00 a.m. Other week at Gorman Hotel at 10:30 a.m.

LIBRARY — Charlie Garrett Memorial Library will be open Monday thru Friday from 3 to 5 p.m. Open Tuesday 9 to 12 a.m.

FOOD BANK

New Hours - 10 - 11:00 a.m.
Second Thursday

Boy Scouts

Meeting Week
Tuesdays — 6:00 p.m.
Methodist Church

SANDRA CAGLE WILL BE IN GORMAN AT THE CITY OFFICE TO RENEW AUTO LICENSE PLATES. HER NEXT VISIT - WEDNESDAY, JULY 19TH FROM 9 - 11 A.M.

Oakland Cemetery Association is accepting donations for the Care of the Cemetery. Donations can be sent to Oakland Cemetery Association, 503 N. Fisher, Gorman, Tx 76454, or 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. Technology 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. Mark Wilkerson, Master — Pat Moseley, Secretary.

Obituary

Virginia Garrett Rich

Virginia Garrett Rich of Eastland died Sunday in Abilene. Graveside services were held Wednesday at 10:00 a.m. in the Romney Cemetery with Rev. Sherry Ann Lyle officiating, directed by Edwards Fu-

neral Home of Eastland. Mrs. Rich was born January 14, 1928 in Waco to Young Pat and Ella Belle (Morrow) Garrett. She was raised in Waco and Denver City and graduated from Seminole High School. She attended Community College in Waco. She married Robert Thomas Rich on July 16, 1947 in Odessa. They made their home in Odessa and Gaines County,

southeast of Denver City, until 1975 when they moved to Eastland County on the Leon River. She was a Nazarene and had taught Sunday School, worked in the Nursery and sang in the church choir. Mrs. Rich, known for her infectious smile, enjoyed telling jokes and was an avid fan of the Texas Rangers.

Mr. Rich preceded her in death on April 24, 1999. Survivors include 3 sons, Pat Rich of Eastland, and Buster Rich and Chuck Rich both of Denver City; 2 daughters, Mary Traweck of Abilene and Ann Foster of Waco; 17 grandchildren and several great-grandchildren.

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Kokomo News

By Zelda Jordan

Bro. Jim Haggard of Strawn was the guest preacher at the Kokomo Baptist Church on Sunday July 2. His sermon was taken from 2 Chronicles 7:14: If my people, which are called by my name, shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land. America needs healing. May we all pray and ask forgiveness for our sins and ask God to heal our nation so that it will get back to the Christian principles that it was established upon.

"Happy Birthday" was sung to Mike Snider, Rachel Snider and Bobby Little. In celebration of July 4th the congregation sang several patriotic hymns led by Woodrow Browning with Helen Browning at the piano. "The Star Spangled Banner" was rendered by the choir: Kay Snider, Karen Patterson, Crystal Snider, Helen Browning, Aletha Burgess, Sylvia Buchanan, Bobbie Haggard, Jimmy Little, Thomas Seay, Joe Bond and Oren Webb with Glynda Bond at the piano. Visitors were Bobbie Haggard of Strawn, Brian Bond of Dallas, Debbie Cochner of Clarksville, Tenn., and Wayne Eaves of Gorman.

Bro. Haggard's sermon on Sunday evening was from Matthew 16:13-18. Talking to Peter, Christ said "upon this rock I will build my church, and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it. We are God's army and we need to tell others about Christ.

Following the worship service, a time of fellowship and refreshments was enjoyed in the home of Bobby and Mary Jane Little. Then a DVD program "Celebrate America" was shown. The program was a presentation of the Bellevue Baptist Church of Memphis TN, reminding us of the Godly principles that our forefathers used as our nation was begun. There was also a salute to all the veterans in the audience at Bellevue from War World I to Desert Storm. We need to pray for all our military each day, and especially I hope everyone will remember them and all the veterans on July 4th.

Bro. Jimmy Nelson was the guest preacher at the Kokomo Baptist Church on Sunday, July 9th.

Debbie Cochner of Clarksville, Tenn. and Karen Patterson of Eastland visited with Betty Little during the weekend.

Brian Bond of Dallas visited during the weekend with his parents, Joe and Glynda Bond. Stephanie, Raegan, Sydnie and Joey Bond of Copperas Cove also visited with them.

Cody and Jarad Fails of Arlington visited last weekend with Jimmy and Verna Lee Little and with James and Jill, Ashley and Breckley Little and Ashley and Breckley returned to Arlington with them for a visit

this week with their aunt Nelda Fails. Nelda brought them home on Saturday and remained for a few days visit with her parents, Jimmy and Verna Lee Little.

Delmon Eaves and his nephew, Donald Eaves, have returned from a trip to visit Mark, Margaret and Preston Eaves in Charlotte, NC. They also enjoyed a visit to the Civil War Battlefields at Vicksburg, Miss. and Shiloh, TN, and a trip through the mountains. On the trip home, they spent one night with Randy, Deliah, Chris and Jon Lewis in Ennis. Delmon said that it was a wonderful trip.

Stacy Webb and Renee Fox of Granbury and Durwood and Aletha Burgess visited with Oren and Norma Webb.

Glenda Black and Shelby Bolts of Abilene were supper guests of Zelda Jordan on Tuesday night.

Zelda Jordan and Cassie Brasher were in Abilene on Thursday for Zelda's medical check-up and visited with Glenda Black and they all enjoyed lunch at the Cracker Barrel. Zelda got a good report that her

knee is doing fine since the surgery. Cassie Brasher and Maggie Nelson visited with their aunt Zelda Jordan on Saturday. They mowed the lawn, and then they enjoyed lunch together.

Norma Webb and Zelda Jordan were in Eastland on Friday and reserved a room for the Kokomo Community at the Eastland County Historical Museum. I'll have more on this later, but be thinking about what you might have that would be interesting to put in the room to show the history of Kokomo. It may be donated, loaned or pictures may be copied. I know that the January 1 fire destroyed a lot of pictures and other historical things, but I'm hoping there are still many pictures, stories, articles, etc. of early Kokomo in some of the homes that were spared from the fire, and in the homes of family members that have moved away from Kokomo, so that they would share them with you. If you need more information contact Norma at 254-639-2284 or Zelda at 254-639-2289.

CLASSIFIEDS

FOR SALE: Steel Barrels - Call Denver Rainey at 254-734-5131. FNC.

GARAGE SALE: Pajama Mamas will be having an Garage Sale at Warren's Watermelon Shed on Saturday, July 8th - 8:00 a.m. till. We will also have a chopped BBQ sandwiches, chips and drink for \$5.00. All proceeds go to American Cancer Society.

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NEW: 10.43 A. near Duster, Pecan trees, pond, coop water included, elec. available, paved road. Owner/agent, possible finance. \$33,900.
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NEW: 30 a m/l, water well, elec., barn, coastal, old pond, good fences, 100s of small pecan trees. \$2,500 acre.
NEW: 52.65 A near Duster, FM 587 & FM 2247, approx. 17 a coastal, county water & elec. available, partially wooded, has a few big Pecan trees. Good home site. \$2,500 acre
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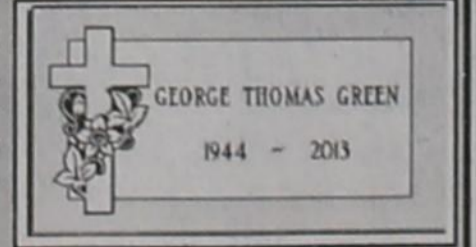
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Protecting Our Children Online

The expansion of the Internet has ushered in a world of unlimited opportunity. Nearly 80 percent of Americans are online, and almost two-thirds use the Internet at home. The Internet provides businesses access to new markets, students access to new ideas, and friends and family members access to one another. The ease and speed with which information travels today is unprecedented – and is getting faster everyday. Along with the many advances offered by the Internet, however, we must confront the new and daunting challenges it brings.

As our children are exposed to the Internet at an early age, predators are a dangerous threat to their safety. There are thousands of predators prowling online at any given moment, and each year, one in every five children receives an unwanted sexual solicitation online.

This is a frightening reality which we must confront as explicit material becomes increasingly available online. Since 1996, the FBI has documented a 2,000 percent increase in the amount of child pornography on the Internet, and 25 percent of all children have been exposed to unwanted sexually explicit material, according to a study conducted by the Department of Justice. These numbers are alarming, and we must act to protect our children so they can safely use the Internet as an educational tool without being in danger.

I am currently co-sponsoring the Internet SAFETY Act to shield our children from these aggressive predators. This legislation provides law enforcement officials with additional resources to prosecute adults who create and distribute child pornography. Under this bill, it will become a federal crime to produce or knowingly facilitate transmission of child pornography and to financially support or operate child pornography sites. It will also increase existing penalties for child pornography, child prostitution and sex trafficking.

The Department of Justice's Project Safe Childhood Report, published in May, outlines the most dangerous ramifications of the increasing child exploitation via the Internet. In addition to posting offensive graphics and vulgar videos, Internet predators are now attempting to lure children into face-to-face meetings. Each year, one in 33 children receives a sexual solicitation to meet the predator in person. Unfortunately, only one out of four targeted children reports such an advance to their parents.

The Internet SAFETY Act creates an Office on Sexual Violence and Crimes against Children within the Department of Justice to further support the protection of our children. The Department of Justice will also provide over \$14 million this year to support regional Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Task Forces. This national network of 46 ICACs, which includes a unit in Dallas and a newly created unit serving South Texas, cooperatively targets online child pornographers.

Prosecuting Internet pornographers not only reduces the amount of sexually explicit material currently available online but also prevents countless children from being exploited as the subject of future images. Clearly the children forced to participate in such despicable acts suffer great physical, emotional and psychological harm.

There can be no higher priority than ensuring our children's safety. The opportunities offered by the Internet are great, but so is our responsibility to maintain a safe and secure environment for our children, who are growing up in an age of unprecedented technology. In protecting them, the Internet SAFETY Act also protects our future.

Baking Heat Leaves Texas Landscape Burning

Hot, dry weather continues to bake Texas landscapes, lawns, gardens, fields and forests -- and increasing both the number and the risk of wildfires.

An extended weather pattern of hot days relieved by only isolated showers has left grasses and other vegetation much drier than normal. The result: without significant widespread, long-duration rains, Texas firefighters foresee a growing threat of wildfires.

Conditions now are similar to those that occurred in summer 1998, during which Texas experienced one of the worst years on record for wildfires, according to Tom Spencer, wildfire risk assessment coordinator with Texas Forest Service.

"The similarities between weather and vegetation conditions in 1998 and now are very alarming, from a wildfire standpoint," said Spencer. "Texans could be facing a bad summer fire siege if increased winds should accompany hot, dry weather. Strong, gusty winds contributed greatly to the major wildfires experienced earlier this year."

What the whole state needs is slow, steady rainfall spread over many hours so most of the rain will soak into the ground and not run off, Spencer added. Many areas of the state, particularly in far West Texas, haven't received enough rain to stimulate full spring green-up, and even where green-up has occurred, grasses are wilting and turning brown in the heat.

Regional fire coordinators have also reported that wildfire activity has picked up across the state.

"Local fire departments everywhere are making more frequent runs on wildfires, and our own fire crews have battled many wildfires, including several recent fires more than 100 acres in size," said Bill Rose, Texas Forest Service chief regional forester for resource protection in East Texas.

He noted that accidental fires due to escaped debris burning continue to be the primary cause of wildfires, particularly in the east-

ern half of the state. Sparks-producing equipment, hot vehicle exhaust systems and careless disposal of smoking materials also cause many wildfires. In addition, Texas Forest Service fire investigators attribute several recent fires, including a 253-acre wildfire in northern Walker County, to the work of arsonists.

Firefighters across the state could also face a seasonal wildfire risk if dry conditions continue.

"Irresponsible fireworks use through the Fourth of July holiday period could spark additional fires, if dry conditions prevail and vegetative fuels, particularly grasses, continue to dry out," said Rose. "We don't want to put a damper on holiday celebrations, but we do urge folks to use common sense and celebrate safely during the upcoming holiday period."

Neugebauer Says Bill Gets U.S. Closer To Death Tax Repeal

Washington, DC - Congressman Randy Neugebauer praised Thursday's passage of a House bill that puts another nail in the coffin of the Death Tax.

"The Death Tax is unfair, hurts the economy, and punishes a lifetime of hard work," Neugebauer said. "Today's bill will prevent a massive tax hike on small businesses and farmers from going into effect in 2011. It is unfair that, after many years of taking away hard-earned money from our farmers and small business owners through property and income taxes, the government can take half of what is left when they die."

Without legislative action, the Death Tax will shoot back up to rates as high as 55 percent on January 1, 2011. Highlights of H.R. 5638 include reducing the Death Tax rate on most estates to twice the capital gains rate, which currently stands at 30 percent.

"Thursday's bill will help get us closer to the ultimate goal of permanent repeal of the Death Tax," Neugebauer said. "We have taken a step in the right direction, and I will continue to work to make the full and permanent repeal a reality."

Death Tax repeal has garnered support from groups, such as the American Farm Bureau Federation, because in addition to being unfair, the Death Tax also undermines economic productivity and suppresses job growth. As a result of the Death Tax, businesses are spending money to hire accountants and tax advisers instead of additional employees. According to a July 28, 1999 Wall Street Journal report, nearly 60% of business owners say they would add a total of more than 100,000 jobs a year if they were not forced to comply with the Death Tax.

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Land Office Creates New Tool To Help Oil & Gas Companies With Exploration Land Office Releases Only GIS Map Application

AUSTIN - Jerry Patterson, Commissioner of the Texas General Land Office, has brought millions of land grants, coastal leases and oil and gas leases to life via a 21st century, state-of-the-art, online mapping application.

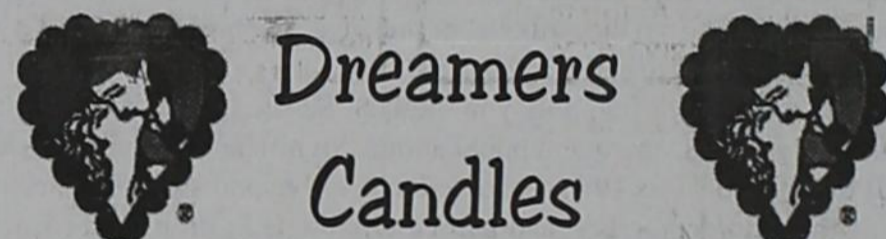
The Texas General Land Office Interactive Land/Lease Information System can be used by anyone with Internet access. The interactive tool lets genealogists look up family land grants online instead of driving to Austin to comb through original documents, which number in the millions. Employees at oil and gas companies across the nation can search for information on specific oil and gas leases with a few keystrokes. And in less than a minute, a graduate student in Lubbock can view original land grant information for William B. Travis thanks to this new online mapping application.

Geographic Information Systems (GIS) was first used at the General Land Office in 1988 for surveying state lands and for legislative redistricting. Since then, GIS functions have expanded to include supporting lease sales, oil spill response, stewardship of coastal resources, land surveying and other business functions of the Land Office.

Users of this new interactive tool can locate a specific oil and gas lease and get a detailed map of the surrounding area, down to a particular intersection.

"The GIS application will give historians a new way of researching Texas landmarks, land grants, oil and gas leases and census information by county," Patterson said. "We are paving new ground here and that is something all Texans can be proud of."

To begin searching land transfers, oil and gas leases, coastal leases and other data, please visit <http://gisweb1.glo.state.tx.us/website/gisweb.cfm>.



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The Cost of Freedom

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The Declaration laid the foundation for the freedoms and liberties that have made the United States of America the great nation it is today. But independence, and those liberties, did not come easily. They were secured only after years of struggle, and with the assistance of several foreign powers.

These historical facts are particularly relevant during this July 4 week as the Congress debates conduct of our war against terrorism, and our support for the fledgling democracy of Iraq.

Since its founding, the U.S. has become the central beacon for liberty and democracy throughout the world. In the past few decades alone, U.S.-led efforts have freed hundreds of millions of people from the yoke of oppression, in Eastern Europe, Latin America, Africa and elsewhere. We are justifiably proud of our efforts to bring hope to corners of the world where hope did not previously exist.

Our expenditure of lives and treasure around the world has been motivated by more than idealism. Through the 45 years of the Cold War, our leaders in both political parties recognized that tyranny and despotism are inherently aggressive, and will always pose a continuing threat to free people.

They knew the enduring truth of certain wisdom. Freedom is never free. Eternal vigilance is the price of liberty. They appreciated also the best way to protect America was to oppose aggressive tyranny, and encourage a world of peaceful democracies.

Since September, 2001, we have been fully engaged in a new kind of war, against terrorist guerrillas who want to destroy everything we stand for. Once again, this time under the leadership of President Bush, the U.S. is meeting the new challenge.

Terrorism breeds in an atmosphere where basic human rights are denied and political rights are suppressed. After the progress we've made recently, the Middle East is now the only area of the world virtually bereft of functioning democracy. (Israel is the sole exception.) There is no quick, short-term fix to this enduring problem.

President Bush has a far-sighted strategy to break the cycle of tyranny, despotism and human-rights abuse in that region. Assisting Iraq in establishing itself as a model among the world of democracies is a key component. The strategy is working. Because of our initiative, signs of progress toward expanded human rights and democratic rule can already be seen across the entire Middle East and into Asia.

There is no doubt we are winning. Our military cannot be bested. Iraqis have voted three times - in greater numbers than we vote in the U.S. - and are steadily planting democratic institutions and restoring order in their country. They are moving to reconcile dissident segments within the country, and to pave the way for our troops to leave.

The United States has never been enthusiastic about going to war. Democracies rarely are. The war on terror promises to be long and costly, and, four years into the struggle, our resolve is being tested. Do we have the national will to see this through?

As we debated Iraq policy in the U.S. Senate late last month, I took note of a State Department publication, "Significant Terrorist Incidents, 1961 to 2003." It is 19 pages long. It shows beyond argument the building threat to democracy, and particularly the U.S., from terrorism. The events listed - the first World Trade Center bombing, attacks on our embassies and diplomatic outposts, even assaults on our warships, culminating in the World Trade Center and Pentagon attacks of September 11 - were growing steadily in their severity and boldness.

We are now fighting back, and it's no coincidence that assaults on civilian targets have largely abated. Yet, in the Senate debate, I was struck by the short-term thinking of some Iraq policy opponents. In fact, some characterized their objectives not as protecting the U.S. from threat - but as creating a unified position within their political party. I asked aloud: "Can they be serious?"

I believe the sacrifices this country has made over the years in the cause of freedom are extremely unfortunate, but worth their cost. I believe not that war is tragic and must never be fought, but that war is tragic but must sometimes be fought for compelling reasons.

We in Texas continue to mourn Pfc. Kristian Menchaca, of Houston and the Rio Grande Valley, who was killed by terrorists on June 19 near Baghdad, as he served his country. I am grateful there are men and women like Pfc. Menchaca and other Texans who will place themselves in harm's way and risk making the ultimate sacrifice to protect our freedom.

As we celebrate our Independence Day this week, we should remember Pfc. Menchaca and his family. And we should take pride in the leadership the U.S. is taking in the global war on terror. The sacrifices being made now are our best hope to protect our safety, and safeguard our liberty in the future.

Sen. Cornyn is a member of the following Senate Committees: Armed Services, Judiciary, Budget, Small Business and Entrepreneurship, and Joint Economic. He is the chairman of the subcommittees on Immigration, Border Security and Citizenship and Emerging Threats and Capabilities. Cornyn served previously as Texas Attorney General, Texas Supreme Court Justice and Bexar County District Judge. For Sen. Cornyn's previous Texas Times columns: www.cornyn.senate.gov/column

Obituary Juan Jose Cantu

Juan Jose Cantu, age 59 of De Leon, Tx passed away on Sunday, July 2, 2006 at Comanche Co. Medical Center. Services were Wednesday, July 5, 2006 at Nowlin Funeral Home Chapel with Bro. Michael Crenshaw officiating. Burial was in De Leon Cemetery.

He was born March 17, 1947 in Robstown, Tx to the late Leopoldo Cantu and Josefa Saucedo Cantu.

He was a laborer; had resided in De Leon area since 1958. Survivors include one brother, Leopoldo Cantu of Dallas; 6 sisters, Elida Leal of De Leon, Oralia Arredondo of Irving, Olga Sanchez of Fresno, CA.; Delia Trajo, Joefa Torres and Gloria Fuentes, all of Dallas. He was also preceded by one brother, Robert Cantu.

FSA County Committee Elections

August 1 is the deadline to get your name on the FSA County Committee Election Ballot. Visit your local FSA office or USDA Service Center to learn how you can have a voice and take a seat on your area Farm Service Agency County Committee.

Visit us online: www.fsa.usda.gov for nomination forms and more information.

Randy Elmore Fiddle Camp Set July 10-16 At CJC

The Randy Elmore Fiddle Camp will be held at Cisco Junior College Monday, July 10 through Sunday, July 16. The camp will include five full days of teaching and nightly concerts featuring instructors and recitals by the students.

Elmore has taught at music camps in Texas, Louisiana, Arkansas, Tennessee, New Mexico, California, and Oregon. He has won "Texas State Fiddle Champion" six times, "World Champion" twice, and was voted "Favorite Fiddler of the Year". He was recently named "Instrumentalist of the Year" at the Lincoln County Cowboy Symposium in NM, inducted into the "Western Swing Hall of Fame" in Sacramento, CA, and inducted into the "Texas Fiddlers Hall of Fame".

Other award-winning musicians/instructors scheduled to join Elmore at this year's fiddle camp are Dale Morris, Valerie O'Brien, Sherry McKenzie, Paul Anastasio, Joey McKenzie, Wes Westmoreland III, Johnny Gimble, and Dick Gimble.

According to Elmore, two teachers will be featured in concert each night. These concerts are open to the public and are free of charge. The final night of camp will conclude with an electrifying student recital with all students on the stage at once for a full orchestra.

The annual fiddle camp has been held at the Cisco campus for the past three summers, and Elmore said that he is looking forward to this year's event.

"We usually have 17-20 different states represented, and the ages of students have ranged from 5 to 78. This is a time of forming great friendships with other musicians as well as progressing to a higher level of fiddling," Elmore said.

The free nightly concerts are scheduled for July 11-15 beginning at 7:30 p.m. in the Harrell Fine Arts Auditorium on the Cisco campus. Concert schedule: Tuesday, July 11- Sherry McKenzie and guests; Wednesday, July 12- Dale Morris and Valerie O'Brien; Thursday, July 13- Randy Elmore Band with Johnny Gimble; Friday, July 14- Paul Anastasio and Wes Westmoreland; Saturday, July 15- Student Recital Concert.

The fiddle camp instructors are accomplished musicians who have numerous awards and recognitions, and nightly audiences will be treated to some outstanding musical performances.

Morris has won the "Texas State Championship" four times, and has won several other contests, among them the "World's Championship, the "Super Bowl of Fiddling", "Colorado State Championship", and the "Western Open Old Time".

O'Brien has been two time winner "Texas Ladies Fiddle Championship", "World Series Winner", "World Series Winner Twin Fiddling", Recipient of Texas Folklife Resources Master Artist Grant, and has 21 years experience in teaching the Suzuki Method.

Sherry McKenzie has won the title of "National Ladies Champion", the "Texas State Ladies Champion", and is the only lady to win the "World Champion" since 1933. She has also traveled playing music in Europe, South America, and Russia.

Anastasio began studying the violin at age nine. He also owns a recording company, which has issued both his own recordings and those of Joe Venuti and others. He has also worked with top western swing and country music bands including Asleep at the Wheel, Larry Gatlin, Ray Price, Mel Tillis and Loretta Lynn.

Joey McKenzie has won well over 100 fiddle contests and dozens of awards on a variety of stringed instruments. Some of his awards include: 3-time World Champion Fiddler, 5-time Texas State Champion Guitar Accompanist, and U.S. Open Fiddling Champion.

Wes Westmoreland III is a two time World Champion Fiddler, a three time Texas State Champion Fiddler, and has finished in the "top 3" his last two trips to the National Fiddle Championship in Weiser, Idaho.

Johnny Gimble was voted "Instrumentalist of the Year" by the Country Music Association in 1978 and has received that award four times since. He was named "Fiddler of the Year" by the Academy of Country Music eight times and has been nominated for a Grammy three times. In 1994 he won the Grammy for performance with Asleep at the Wheel plus National Fellowship Heritage Award by Endowment for Arkansas. After fifty years Johnny is active doing festivals, concerts, dances, studio work and as a solo artist with his own group, "Texas Swing".

Dick Gimble began playing bass fiddle with his father, Johnny, while still in school in Waco. During his college years, he studied jazz at the University of Texas. He has recorded and performed with many country greats including his father, Bob Wills, Willie Nelson, Merle Haggard and Charlie Pride, and he has made three musical tours of Eastern Europe.

"We have put together a very talented group of instructors/musicians, and we hope that everyone will have the opportunity to join us for the nightly concerts. We think it will be a fun time that everyone will enjoy," Elmore said.

For more detailed biographies for each of the instructors and complete camp information visit Elmore's website at www.randyelmore.com.

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USDA Beginning Farmers and Ranchers Advisory Committee To Hold Public Meeting

The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) invites farmers, ranchers and the public to attend USDA's Advisory Committee meeting on Beginning Farmers and Ranchers. The two-day meeting will be held July 11-12, 2006, in Washington, D.C. The meeting offers the public the opportunity to listen to the committee's deliberations and to make comments on beginning farmer and rancher issues.

USDA will conduct the public meeting at the Doubletree Hotel, 1515 Rhode Island Avenue, NW, Washington, D.C. The July 11 session runs from 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Eastern time and the July 12 session begins at 8:00 a.m. and ends by 4:00 p.m.

The Advisory Committee on Beginning Farmers and Ranchers will discuss the following:

- * Farm Credit System lending to young, small, and beginning farmers and ranchers;
- * Bank lending to beginning farmers and ranchers; and
- * Opportunities for beginning farmers and ranchers through USDA's Cooperative State Research, Education, and Extension Service, Natural Resources Conservation Service and Farm Service Agency (FSA).

Attendance is open to the public, but space is limited. The floor will be open to public comment on July 11 at 1:15 p.m. Eastern time. Comments will be limited to five (5) minutes each. Presenters will be approved on a first-come, first-served basis. Comment requests should include the speaker's name, affiliation and an outline of the issue or issues slated for discussion.

Anyone wishing to make comments should submit a written request via letter, fax or e-mail by July 5, 2006, to:

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Persons with disabilities who require special accommodations to attend or participate should contact Mark Falcone by July 5, 2006.

The Advisory Committee on Beginning Farmers and Ranchers advises the Secretary of Agriculture on ways to encourage federal and state programs to provide joint financing to beginning farmers and ranchers as well as methods of maximizing new opportunities created through federal and state programs. Section 5 of the Agricultural Credit Improvement Act of 1992 required the Secretary of Agriculture to establish the committee.

The committee meets at least once a year. Meetings are open to the public. For more information about the advisory committee, visit: <http://www.fsa.usda.gov/daf/advcom.htm>.

For more information about the public meeting, contact Mark Falcone at (202) 720-1632.

GREAT GRILLING

Ready, Set, Grill

(NAPSA)—Today's backyard chefs are exploring all that backyard cooking and patio cuisine have to offer, grilling breakfast, lunch and dinner outdoors. They are using new and improved grills, new grilling tools and new techniques, all designed to keep up with this lifestyle shift outdoors.

If you're in the market for a new grill, consider how often you will use it, storage space and fuel type.

A portable charcoal grill may be the best choice for someone who will tailgate or occasionally barbecue at the beach or the park. Someone who plans to grill on the patio several times a week may need an easy-to-use propane or natural gas grill with temperature control. Electric grills are the right choice if you don't want to use gas or charcoal or your living requirements won't allow such a grill.

The availability of storage space is another consideration. A well-ventilated space and a grill cover are needed to store a grill outside. Grills can also be kept indoors if they are disconnected and the gas cylinder valve is plugged before storing the gas container outside. Never store the gas container in your house.

When buying the grill, consider the cooking surface, cooking system, burners and accessories. Porcelain is common and inexpensive; however, cast iron has better heat distribution and temperature control. Higher BTUs mean higher temperatures; lower BTUs mean better temperature control.

Burners, including rotisserie and back burners, allow for versatility in the amount, preparation and kinds of foods cooked.

Once you choose your grill, you



In recent years, backyard chefs and outdoor grilling have become more sophisticated with new, improved grills and tools.

may want to learn some grill safety skills:

- Never light any grill indoors, and place the grill at least 10 feet away from any structure.
- Children should be kept away from a grill that is in use or cooling down.
- For gas grills, always check the tubes, connectors and hoses for any sign of blockage, cracking, holes and leaks, and cover gas hoses to protect yourself from hot surfaces or dripping grease.
- For charcoal grills, never light or burn charcoal indoors—carbon monoxide buildup can be deadly—and never pour lighter fluid on charcoal that is already lit. Finally, never leave any grill unattended when lit.

The Home Depot offers a wide variety of gas and charcoal grills and "Grilling 1-2-3," a do-it-yourself book with tool selection tips, helpful techniques and step-by-step recipes for a safe and successful outdoor cooking experience.

For more information, visit www.homedepot.com and click on "Outdoor Living."

Did You Know?

(NAPSA)—As many people who've already hit the highway could tell you, a great trip is often made before you leave—by having plenty of things to do while you get from point A to point B. For example, RadioShack offers the Kodak C340 Bundle that comes with everything you need for on-the-spot picture taking and printing. For more summertime travel ideas, visit www.radioshack.com.



A new survey supported by the National Parent Teacher Association (PTA) reveals that one in four parents of teens is extremely or very concerned about their teen's health during the upcoming summer break. To help educate parents about how to keep their teens happy, healthy and active over the summer, the National PTA launched "Summer Break—What's at Stake?" Parents and caregivers are encouraged to visit www.pta.org to obtain useful information about teen summer health.

Recalls may sound bad at first but they may actually make you safer. They are simply an action by the manufacturer to remedy a safety or emissions-related concern regarding a vehicle defect or regulatory requirement. At www.carfax.com you can perform a free Recall Check or, for a nominal

fee, you can run a detailed vehicle history report using a vehicle's 17-character identification number (available on the dashboard and title documents) to get a more detailed look into a car's past.

As the weather gets warmer, weather conditions can change quickly. Recent hurricanes taught us many hard lessons, but one of the clearest was that pets left behind in a disaster don't fare well. You can protect your animal pals from being left behind when violent weather throws the best-laid plans into uncertainty and confusion. Visit www.aspc.org for more information.

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