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Happy  
Mother's  
Day!



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**FIRE** - A maintenance barn at the Dwain Mayfield farm in Green's Creek was severely damaged by fire about 8 p.m. Monday which was spotted by a passerby, Miles Oldengarm, who helped recover several 4-wheelers and an acetyl tank which could have made the fire worse. The Mayfields were attending a revival at Green's Creek Methodist Church next door when they learned of the fire. Several members of the church pitched in to help fight the fire which Dublin and Erath County Fire Departments responded to. The Mayfields believe the fire was started by a smoldering spark by grinding being done by David Mayfield a few hours earlier. There were no injuries nor animals or pets lost. Due to wet conditions, fire did not spread to surrounding coastal fields.

## Early voting underway

Those who want to avoid the crowds on Election Day May 14 can vote early now thru next Tuesday, May 10.

Voters can vote at either the Dublin courthouse annex or the Stephenville Courthouse from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. today and tomorrow, May 5-6 and from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m., Monday and Tuesday, May 9 & 10.

On Election Day, May 14, polls are open 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. and voters must vote where they live or are voting on - Dublin voters in Dublin and Stephenville voters in Stephenville.

On the ballot in Dublin, two positions on the city council are being contested as well as the mayor's job while there are nine candidates for two positions on the Dublin school board.



**BURN BAN LIFTED!** The storms last week opened the door for even more rainfall. As it fell and the ground soaked up the welcome water, Erath County Commissioners looked on and said it was good. Thus, the burn ban was finally lifted. *Photo by Paul Gaudette*

## Legends of Dublin

### Keller proves himself dedicated Dublin man

By JANA JORDAN-WILKERSON

**Special to the Citizen**  
Lawrence Keller has been described as a dedicated citizen of Dublin. He was born in 1900 in Dublin where he lived all his life. His parents were George



Lawrence and Charles Keller (far right) pose with friends and some great catches on a fishing trip

and Edna Keller. George Keller was a long time postmaster of Dublin.

Lawrence attended Dublin schools and graduated from Dublin High School.

After high school he attended college at John Tarleton Jr. College, now

## Candidate Forum draws crowd

By PAUL GAUDETTE  
Staff Writer

Questions for School Board candidates dominated the Dublin Candidate Forum Wednesday night at the Senior Citizen Center.

The well-attended event started with comments from City Council Candidates.

Katherine Millican spoke for her husband Jimmy who is up for re-election in Ward 2. She announced that he was unfortunately away on business but said that he has enjoyed serving on the council, particularly in working with organizations such as the Historical Society. She also admitted that some of his decisions have been tough but that he is working to the best of his abilities to make Dublin an even better place to live. Millican works with water control so he hopes that his expertise could be used in fixing the current sewer problems that the city is facing.

Travis Ake, candidate for Ward 3, got up briefly to announce that he makes no promises except "to bring a fresh outlook to the City Council."

Kenneth Lunsford, candidate for Ward 4,

recounted his experience, saying that he served Dublin on the council for the past two years and earlier from 1962-1967. He agreed that the sewer lines were a big concern facing the council. He reported that, as he understood it, the city had to pay a fine because they were made aware of the problem five years ago and nothing was done. Thus, the city will have to respond to the problem by June or July. He added that "any time citizens have a comment, we will gladly listen."

Tommy Sperry was unable to attend as he was in the hospital. Also absent was Bobby Mendez.

In the Mayoral race, Becky Norris cited her devotion to Dublin was rooted in growing up with strong role models such as Bill Kloster. She feels that the secret to strong city government is keeping a balance between daily operations and strategic planning that would hopefully bring more families to Dublin for its safe, small-town environment.

Incumbent mayoral candidate Tom Gordon admitted that there were tremendous problems with the sewer to be resolved

and that the city unfortunately had to cut jobs in the past year. He said that the necessary cuts allowed the city to keep everyone else at their salaries and that the budget is in good standing now.

He added that the city will have to work on the water problems to meet state guidelines. "If we don't do what the state wants then they'll come and take over," He reported.

There were no questions for city candidates which stood in stark contrast with the 15 written questions which were passed among the school board candidates.

Carol Bagley admitted that the school board had a hard job fulfilling state mandates but that more could be done locally to promote better communication between administration, the staff and the community.

"Education is important but taxpayers need to be considered," she also noted.

She encouraged everyone to attend school board meetings because it's the only way to know what's going on.

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Q&A- Mike Jurney responded to a question from the audience as moderator Nancy Wooldridge and other candidates looked on during April 27's Candidate Forum at the Senior Citizen Center. *Photo by Mac McKinnon*

## Public meetings held on bond proposal

Two more public meetings were held this past week, one on Thursday and another on Saturday in addition to the one last Tuesday to explain information on the school bond issue.

The election on the \$5.444 million bond issue is May 14 along with election for school

board positions. Early voting is now underway.

There was a good turnout last Tuesday with the number attending the information meetings Thursday and Saturday very light.

On Thursday, there were no questions or comments with Board Member James

Moore noting that in his police training, the buildings on the middle school campus are a security "nightmare."

Moore is a Erath County sheriff's deputy and has attended training sessions on dealing with terrorists and hostage situations such as has occurred in schools around the nation.

In Saturday's meeting, there were questions about the bond proposal with Shorty Beverly raising an objection due the increase in taxes.

The bond issue would have 7th & 8th graders housed in a one-story new structure to be built partially where the old elementary is now located and in front of the gym. The gym will be remodeled with new dressing rooms and bleachers, the science/library wing will be remodeled to accommodate state room size standards. In addition, the old high school (now used as the middle school) would be made into an administration building.

The total cost of the project which will be done in steps so as not to disturb classes, will be less than \$8 million with the \$5.444 million to be added to by a fund balance, the total amount to be determined by bids on the project. The bond issue would require a 9.1 cent tax increase which would amount to \$91 per year for

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## Turning Back the Pages

by Sandra Thomas



100 YEARS AGO  
MAY 5, 1911

Sam Lindsey, Jim Hamilton, George Sharp, and George Hoover chased wolves all night in the Ferguson pasture on Cow Creek and captured four large Grey Timber Wolves. Rev. Burgin of Greens Creek found a den of wolves on Greens Creek.

The upstairs of the Higginbotham building, occupied on the lower floor by the post office, McCord's Jewelry Store, and Dublin Drug, was undergoing a general overhaul and repair. Several rooms over McCord's and the post office were being renovated for Dr. Farmer's offices.

New cement walks were being placed in several locations including in front of the Progress and the adjoining lots, and on south Patrick along the Texas Central Park to the station on the stretch of walk along Elm Street in front of Jordan Grocery, Prim Bros., and Spencer & Co., and along the block on the other side of the street. Also walks were placed on Frisco Avenue at Oaks Hotel and up the south side to a connection with the Frisco park walk.

75 YEARS AGO  
MAY 1, 1936

A committee consisting of E. W. Harris, W. B. Whitehead, Joe T. Kennedy, and C. R. Phelps, was making arrangements on what to include in the motion picture of Dublin to be filmed by the West Texas Chamber of Commerce. The film was to be shown during the Frontier Celebration in Fort Worth.

Professor J. C. Robbins was attending the district meeting of the National Piano Playing Tournament at Brownwood. The following pupils accompanied him and took part in the tournament: Marjorie

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**Detailed Forecast**  
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Thursday

sunshine  
80/55

Friday

plenty of sun  
82/63

Saturday

mostly sunny/  
breezy  
86/67

Sunday

partly sunny/  
warm/breezy  
91/69

Monday

breezy/periods  
of sun  
90/68

Sunrise... 6:44 a.m.  
Sunset... 8:17 p.m.

# Opinions

## An Editorial

### Judge for yourself, not by gossip!

There is an incredible amount of misinformation being circulated about the upcoming school bond issue. First and foremost, this is not an issue that was decided on without a lot of consideration and discussion. Many, many options were discussed and explored.

The buildings in question have served their purpose and needs are constantly changing. Everything has been done to try to preserve as much of the most historical elements as possible.

Renovating the current buildings for educational needs would not provide useable space - and the safety needed. There is a need to renovate the gym as well as the newer science/library wing and those can be saved along with the current auditorium, lunchroom and band hall.

While it may sound good to be eligible for the national historic recognition, it is just not that easy to be selected and many of those who are eligible don't want anything to do with that so-called recognition due to the restrictions and cost involved. There is no federal or state money to help with this cause.

Renovating the buildings for education purposes is just not a practical idea due to what would have to be done to provide needed space. This would be for the 7th and 8th grade and is not being done to handle a growing number of students but to replace facilities that are simply worn out and no longer adequate.

Using the plan that has been recommended by a committee and approved by the board is the least expensive option and by far the most workable as well as providing the educational needs for our young people and community far into the future.

There seems to be a misunderstanding on moving the administration into the old high school (current middle school). There is more to the administration than just the superintendent's office. The administration office includes many other functions that are now scattered all over the district, mostly in portable buildings that are not in the best of shape. The administration needs to be consolidated to be more efficient, provide meeting space for the board and the public in a much larger space than is now available.

See JUDGE, A3

## Observations

By Mac B. McKinnon

### Scary night

After all the storms throughout the nation, it appeared that we had escaped that horror.

However, that wasn't the case as we got a dose of that bad medicine the Saturday night before Easter as well as Easter evening.

First reports that a tornado was about to hit DeLeon and then it appeared a tornado was going over Comyn and headed straight to Dublin. Spotters were out, the Dublin sirens started to wail. It is rare they are sounded, only a few times since I moved back to Dublin almost nine years ago.

And this appeared to be the most serious threat. The signal changed to the intermittent wailing to indicate a strike was imminent. Radar indicated one or more funnel clouds in the sky.

From what I've been told that cloud split and then later reports of a tornado or tornadoes over and around Comanche were reported.

I was outside watching the cloud as I could hear rumbling in the sky, lightening and thunder and the long awaited rain was coming down with some hail, mostly small, thank goodness.

I could not get any information from local radio stations, the satellite service for TV was knocked out of service so I depended on the AccuWeather service we have on the Dublin Citizen web site which I could access from my iPhone.

My wife, granddaughter and I went to a middle room of our house and were around the bathroom ready to get in the bathtub along with pillows while we watched the radar develop.

I was getting text messages from friends in Comanche and DeLeon asking if we were OK and what was going on as they had heard the reports on TV and saw the radar.

Those were tense moments with my granddaughter being addicted to weather watching.

I've been close to tornadoes and have seen them but never have actually gone through a hit and don't want to.

It appeared this same situation but not as bad took place that next night but the siren did not sound as long as the danger passed rapidly.

As far as I know, there were no touchdowns or actually sightings of funnel clouds.

However, on that Monday was when the twister hit near Bluff Dale. When I first heard about that funnel, I couldn't believe it as the sky here was clear but it was dark in the direction of Bluff Dale.

The question comes up every year about this time on what to do and where to go in case of a tornado. One of the best ideas is to scout out your neighbor and see if there is a cellar anywhere near. The next best thing is to get to an inside room of your house and get under pillows, mattresses, etc for cover from flying debris.

I've been asked about any designated shelters in Dublin and as I far as I know, there are none. At one point in time, there were some buildings labeled as nuclear fallout shelters and they could be used as shelter from storms but I don't know if that plan exists.

If anyone knows, please let me know so I can pass along that information.

As I've related in this space previously, I spent a great deal of my youth in an earthen cellar on the farm. I was more afraid of snakes and spiders in there and the prospect of being trapped than I was about the storm. Every time a cloud came up, we headed to the cellar and didn't come out until the sky was clear. There were lots of sleepless nights.

Thank God that we did get some desperately needed rain without any major damage. Of course, we need a lot more but I have confidence we'll get it when God believes it's time.

In the meantime, I hope the city will go back to considering getting a grant that was offered at one time to get a reverse 9-1-1 system like the school has to notify people of emergencies.

I've also asked that the city get with the school to work out some kind of agreement to use that system in the event of a storm.

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## STATE CAPITAL HIGHLIGHTS

By Ed Sterling  
Texas Press Association

### Senate shores up state budget

Big bills continue to rumble around the state Capitol with less than a month remaining until May 30, the last day of the regular 82nd session of the Texas Legislature.

The full House and the Senate Finance Committee have passed versions of the state budget, but last week there was not enough collective will in the Senate to bring the matter up for floor debate: too much disagreement on the particulars. We'll have to wait a little longer to see a state budget both houses consider fit for delivery to the governor.

In their current forms, the House version cuts spending by \$23 billion while the Senate Finance Committee's version, which pulls \$3 billion from the state's Rainy Day Fund, cuts \$17 billion.

Meanwhile, the Senate approved SB 1811 by Robert Duncan, R-Lubbock, to pump \$4 billion in non-tax revenue into the 2012-2013 state budget. Duncan's bill would make use of accounting strategies, such as moving the state's final payment of the fiscal year to the Permanent School Fund (more than \$2 billion) from August into September, the first month of fiscal year 2011-2012. It would also move up the collection of the state's franchise tax a month early in 2013 to bring in about \$800 million, the Senate Media Office reported.

Another key piece of budget legislation was passed by the Senate: SB 23 by Jane Nelson, R-Flower Mound. Nelson's bill would save about a half billion dollars in health care costs over the next biennium by moving Medicaid prescriptions into managed care and increasing managed care for Medicaid patients in South Texas.

### TxDOT bill returns to Senate

In the raft of "sunset" bills that determine the fate of state agencies, the House set aside its own version of the Texas Department of Transportation sunset bill, then took up the Senate version, SB 1420 by Juan "Chuy" Hinojosa, D-McAllen, and passed it with 78 amendments.

### House passes redistricting bill

A big piece of legislation the House passed was HB 150 by Burt Solomons, R-Carrollton - the redrawing of House district boundaries.

The bill is structured to help Republicans hold on to power for the next 10 years, even though 2010 U.S. Census data show most of the state's 4 million population gain in the last decade was overwhelmingly Hispanic. Hispanic Texans do not vote as a bloc but history shows a majority favoring Democratic candidates.

### Gaming legislation hasn't moved

This session, like many previous sessions, bills have been filed to legalize casino and other forms of gambling. Perhaps the main arguments for passing gambling or "gaming" legislation are (1) to create new revenue streams at a time when state needs it; and (2) to create an in-state option for the thousands of Texans who travel to other states that offer legalized gambling venues.

### House passes state Web ad bill

HB 682 by Fred Brown, R-Bryan, would allow private companies to purchase advertising on the governor's and state agencies' Internet sites. The bill was passed by the House and will be considered by the Senate. It is unknown how much revenue Brown's bill might generate.

### More help on data compromise

State Comptroller Susan Combs, in an April 28 news release, offered free credit monitoring to current and former state employees whose personal data was inadvertently but publicly posted on her agency's Internet site for months.

**Last Puzzle Solution**

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## Code of City Sirens

1 blast- fire & rescue (grass fire)

2 blasts - structure fire

Continuous with pitch of variations- bad weather.

# Dublin Doin's

an Event Calendar for Dublin and its surrounding communities

**Thursday, May 5**

- Chamber Board Meeting**  
Noon - Chamber Office
- Middle Trinity Ground Water Meeting**  
1 p.m. - Stephenville Office
- Rodeo Heritage Museum Board Meeting**  
6:30 p.m. - Rodeo Museum
- NHS Talent Show**  
6:30 p.m. - Dublin High School
- Elementary School Track Meet**  
All Day - Memorial Stadium Track

**Friday, May 6**

- Civil War Presentation**  
1:30 p.m. - Middle School Auditorium
- Elementary School Track Meet**  
All Day - Memorial Stadium Track

**Saturday, May 7**

- Lowell Cemetery Meeting**  
10 a.m. - Lowell Cemetery

**Monday, May 9**

- Computer Lab**  
6-8 p.m. - Dublin Intermediate School
- City Council Meeting**  
7 p.m. - City Hall

**Wednesday, May 11**

- Cow Creek Cemetery Meeting**  
Noon - Cow Creek Cemetery

**Thursday, May 12**

- Lingleville School Board Meeting**  
7 p.m. - Library

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## TEXAS CROSSWORD

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**ACROSS**

- 1 TX-based salsa
- 5 TXism: "brains in \_\_\_" (computer)
- 6 TXism: "Is the \_\_\_ Catholic?" (yes)
- 7 young dogs
- 8 chowd down
- 9 TX-born Bryan Hitt is drummer for "\_\_\_ Speedwagon"
- 12 TX-born Andy Stahl was in '93 film "The Real \_\_\_"
- 17 this Levi started 1st blue jeans company
- 19 Barbary Sheep
- 21 TX Guy Clark tune: "\_\_\_ Build"
- 22 "the bull" south of the border
- 23 you can breathe it in on cruise from Galveston (2 wds.)
- 28 cloth belt worn by early TX pirates
- 29 this Laura was in film "I Am Sam" with TX Loretta Devine
- 30 TX Mandrell sang "If Loving You Is \_\_\_ Don't \_\_\_"
- 31 "Want to be Right" this Murphy was in "48 Hrs." with TX Annette O'Toole
- 35 company that is credited for starting desktop publishing
- 36 TXism: "hunkered down \_\_\_ go" (ready)
- 42 Lacy-\_\_\_, TX
- 44 TX Duvall was this Oyl in film "Popeye" ('80)
- 46 TX Gary Morris' "\_\_\_ All It Takes"
- 48 across the river from El Paso: "Ciudad \_\_\_"
- 49 internet slang for "what"
- 50 \_\_\_hart, TX
- 51 UT's Harry Ransom Center has work of poet, \_\_\_ Nash
- 52 Grand \_\_\_ Opry
- 53 TXism: "beer \_\_\_" (bar)
- 54 brother's daughter
- 56 "one \_\_\_ time"
- 57 TX Ivory Joe Hunter sang "Since I \_\_\_ You Baby"
- 58 students in final h.s. year (abbr.)
- 1 Olympan swimmer in "Texas Carnival"
- 11 "bear" south of the border
- 12 actress West in '70 "Myra Breckinridge" with TX Farrah TXism: "\_\_\_ to make cows give ice cream"
- 14 TXism: "\_\_\_ as a bug's ear"
- 15 boot aroma
- 16 TXism: "spin a \_\_\_" (lie)
- 18 TX Tanya Tucker tune: "One Love \_\_\_ Time" ('86)
- 20 TX George Strait's "What \_\_\_ You Say to That" ('99)
- 23 dir. to Comanche from Dublin
- 24 stat for Ranger C.J. Wilson
- 25 internet services co.
- 26 TXism: "searched high \_\_\_"
- 27 film "The Night of the \_\_\_" ('64)
- 32 county prosecutor (abbr.)
- 33 TX "\_\_\_ Pepper"
- 34 TX Willie's "Farm Aid \_\_\_" was in '86
- 36 TX Howard Hughes girl friend Gardner who was in 27-down
- 37 zero or nonexistent
- 38 in Comanche Co. on hwy. 6 & 16
- 39 Forest \_\_\_, TX TXism: "worn to a frazzle"
- 41 baking chamber
- 43 TX-born Debbie Reynolds hubby Fisher (init.)
- 45 Houstonians use an "\_\_\_ Tag" on toll road
- 47 TXism for "mosquito"
- 48 ex-Ranger outfielder Canseco (1992-94)
- 55 TX Betty Buckley Broadway musical

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# Lifestyles and SOCIETY



**SIGNING IN-** Dublin ISD hosted a Parent Involvement meeting Saturday morning. Parents, educators and students in attendance were treated to special classes on a variety of topics from computers to gang awareness. Parents were also eligible for a wide variety of door prizes from gift certificates to board games. *Photo by Paul Gaudette*

## Dublin ISD hosts parent conference

Dublin ISD hosted an informative conference for parents on Saturday, April 30, 2011, at the Dublin High School. School staff and several parents were in attendance. Attendees had the opportunity to attend three different sessions on a variety of topics such as reading strategies for Elementary-aged children, math fun on the iPod Touch, how to help your child be successful in school, several different technology topics,

gang awareness, the college admission process, scholarships, and financial aid, and many more. Information was also available to all parents on the Parent Portal, which is the website where parents can check their children's grades. Dr. Debbie Silver provided an entertaining experience on the trials and rewards of parenting while attendees enjoyed their free hot dog lunch. Door prizes during the

morning included many items donated by local businesses, as well as items that provide parents an opportunity to spend time with their children. District and campus administration are working to improve relations with the community and the parents and hope that this conference demonstrates a clear commitment from DISD to increase parental involvement in the education of their children.

## Lone Star Iris Society

In the world of irises, April is always show time. So many shows, so little time! The Lone Star Iris Society held their annual show on April 10 at the Hico Community Center, Hico, TX. The show is deemed to have been a great success, with more entries than last year and many interesting design entries. Winner of Queen of Show was Peggy Cathey of Covington, TX. Runner up was Dan Cathey of Covington, TX. The exhibitor winning the most blue ribbons was Dan and Peggy Cathey of Covington, TX. The winning design entry was entered by Leroy Nabors of Cranfills Gap, TX. A very large number of visitors were welcomed at

the show, and it hoped were encouraged to learn more about irises and further appreciate them. Judges for the show were Gordon and Happy Carver of Weatherford. Gordon Carver is AIS Regional Vice President and both Gordon and Happy are accredited American Iris Society judges. Show chair Peggy Tolboom of Dublin is to be congratulated for her efforts in presenting an outstanding show this year. All members of Lone Star Iris Society can also take credit for the success of their hard work. The April meeting of Lone Star Iris Society was the show preparation meeting, where Bob Alexander of Waco and Leroy Nabors of Cranfills

Gap instructed members on the best means of preparing entries for the show bench, as well as creating design entries. The group also discussed the merits of educational display. The next meeting will be held on May 7 at the Fellowship Hall of the First United Methodist Church of Hico. The meeting begins at 10 a.m. Our program "My Favorite Perennials" will be presented by June Hivnor, a Hamilton County Master Gardener. The public is always welcome. For further information about the show or meetings, please contact Mary Huggins at 254-796-4041 or Naomi Nabors at 254-597-1193.

## Pig Tales from Hogtown *By: Carol Pell*

It sure was nice to get some rain! We didn't get a lot but we are very happy to get any at this point! I didn't count on winter coming back, though. Hope my tomato plants survive! This Saturday, May 7th, is 'Breakfast at the DAC' from 7 a.m. until 10 a.m. Join us for a great meal to start your weekend.

DELEON DANCES will not

be held at the DAC - from now on until the auditorium at city hall is renovated the dances will be held at a room at Prado's restaurant. Remember, too, the dances that we have regularly here at the DAC on the second and fourth Fridays of each month. This month the dates are the 13th and the 27th.

Our annual garage sale here at the DAC will be held on May 19, 20 and 21. If you have any items that you would like to donate for this fundraiser, please call 254-758-2420 and we will make arrangements to get them here. The money we raise goes to pay the mortgage on the building and maintenance of the building. See you in Desdemona!

## Desdemona News

*By Vonnie Guthery*

Ladies monthly social will be held on Monday morning, May 9 at the Community Center. Make plans to arrive at 9 a.m. to enjoy the good food served by the hostesses. Visitors are welcome. Linda Hahn of Arlington visited the past weekend with her sister, Carol Sue Willis. They attended church on Sunday at First Baptist. First Baptist Church of Desdemona had 32 in attendance on Sunday. David Shirley of Conroe presented the special music with his brother, Gary Shirley at the piano. Visitors attended from Arlington, Conroe, Gorman and three students from Tarleton College. Visitors are invited to attend each Sunday at 10

a.m. for Sunday School and 11 a.m. for the morning worship service. Desdemona Homecoming and School Reunion will be held on Saturday, August 13 at the ole school building. Morning program begins at 10 a.m. This annual event began in 1921 and was held at the Community Tabernacle until 1972 when it was moved to the School Gym. When this event began it was called "Old Settler's Reunion". Please contact this reporter at P.O. Box 187, Desdemona, Texas 76445 if you have moved and have a change of address. We need an "up-date" on the mailing list. Your help will be appreciated. Have a great day.

## Editor's Mail

Dear Editor,

I received a flyer on my front porch Saturday concerning the school bond election. After reading it several times I am wondering if the person, persons, or organization attended the same DISD school board/public meeting that I did on April 26th. If they did, they certainly heard different answers to questions than I did. In my opinion the meeting was very well organized, plans for both renovation or building a new middle school were shown, questions were answered, and if not able to answer the questions asked, the person asking the question was told that they would try their best to find the answer for them. At no time did I hear that the old elementary school would be torn down to make a parking lot. That is where either the renovated or new school will be, and it was shown clearly on the plans.

The school I understood, is the first priority. I do sincerely hope that this flyer will not keep people from voting. Figures were shown for the 1% interest if the bond passes, and if it does not, another bond election will have to be called in November with a much greater interest which will really have an effect on tax payers. These plans have been in the works for at least seven years looking toward the future of our children, and all the technology that they will face when they go to college or begin looking for a decent job. My question is: who composed this flyer? It was not signed by a person, persons, or organization, so how are we to believe that this building can be renovated with grant money and how long and how much will they supply for all the renovation. We do have reserve money, which some is being used for

whatever the voters decide for our school; however we do not need to deplete all of it. I would like to thank our school board past and present, administrators past and present for the many hours they have spent trying to decide what is best for our children. It is one of the most thankless an payless jobs anyone can have, and I am pleased to see so many people interested in our

children and school to spend their time on the board. Also, never have I received a flyer on my door that did not have a person, persons, or organizations name signed at the bottom, and I surely don't want another one that I have no idea who put it there. Thank you. Sincerely, Jo Ann Pate

## JUDGE *Cont'd from A2*

Many of the buildings involved need to be torn down for more parking space for the public attending events on that campus. The old house where the superintendent is located is in bad shape with the roof sagging, windows falling out, there are structural issues, electrical issues as well as the floor settling. The rumor was started that a lot of money was spent by the administration to fix up the upstairs of that house for a meeting room. The total spent on carpet and paneling amounted to less than \$1,000 last year and it is used for administration meetings. There is controversy over having an assistant superintendent. Overlooked is the fact that the previous administration spent money to hire outside bookkeeping as it is impossible for one man, no matter how good he was, to do everything. Also to be considered is the fact that being able to give finances fulltime consideration enabled the current assistant superintendent to trim \$600,000 from the budget as well as acquire at least \$1.2 million in grants in less than the past two years. We don't have a say in the decisions of the school board. They take care of the numbers of teachers, coaches and administrators. The public has a chance to have a voice in providing facilities for our young people.

We have the opportunity to provide nice, adequate, safe educational facilities for our young people at a cost that will not be available in the future due to the low interest bond program that is now available. That low interest would save more than \$3 million in interest alone. The program will no longer be available as it ends in June. We also have a chance to take advantage of the economy and provide jobs as bids are expected to be lower as companies are seeking work. Think out these issues for yourself. Do not be misled by claims that cannot be backed up by facts. This bond election is a win-win situation. Of course, no one wants more taxes but we have a chance to pay some now or a whole lot later. This deserves our full attention and consideration. Mac B. McKinnon Editor & Publisher

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## Carlton News *by Jane Thetford*

We got an inch and two tenths of rain early Monday morning and some small hail. Don't think it did much damage. Tomato plants still look good. Jimmy Hogg from Milford visited his mom Sunday. Wes and Sure Clearman went to Leander for the weekend to celebrate their birthdays. Tanner and Ashley

Munsell and Recitta visited James and Dorreta Munsell this weekend. Joe and Martha Starnes had Pam and Cody and Mitchel and AnnaBell from Cleburne and Keith and Belinda Starnes this weekend. Hope everyone had a good a blessed Easter. We had Dale and Pam Sunday.

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# BRIEFS.....

## Trail Ride/Run to combat MS

The annual Cowboy Capital MS Trail Ride benefiting the National Multiple Sclerosis Society will be held Saturday, May 7, 2011 at Tarleton University's Hunewell Ranch. Check-in will begin at 8 a.m. and the ride begins at 9 a.m. An official laser autographed Dallas Cowboys football will also be up for raffle in conjunction with the event. Tickets are \$5 for 1, \$10 for 3 or \$100 for 35. For more information, visit [www.cowboycapitalmstrailride.com](http://www.cowboycapitalmstrailride.com). The Knights of Columbus will also host the annual 5K Trailrun to coincide with the event for people without horses. All proceeds will likewise help battle MS. For more information about the run, call Dan Delgado at 254-592-3807.

## Lowell Cemetery Meeting set May 7

Lowell Cemetery Association will have their annual meeting May 7 at 10 a.m. at the cemetery between Lingleville and Desdemona on Hwy 8. Everyone is invited to come and help care for the cemetery.

## MTGCD to meet May 5

The Middle Trinity Groundwater Conservation District Board of Directors will meet Thursday, May 5 at their Stephenville office (930 N. Wolfe Nursery Rd.) for their regular board meeting and permit hearing. Among agenda items are discussion of leasing the Comanche Depot and discussion of purchasing a new work truck.

## Armed Forces Day dance set for Fort Richardson

An Armed Forces Day Benefit Exhibition Dance is set for May 21, 2011 at Fort Richardson in Jacksboro, TX. The event is hosted by Celebrating Traditions, and all royalty and dancers are welcome. For more info or to register, call Rainbow Carrion at (580) 512-7350.

## Quilt Guild to meet May 7

The Town 'N Country Quilt Guild will meet from 1 p.m. - 3 p.m. on May 7, 2011 at the Community Room of Citibank. Anyone interested in quilting is invited to attend. The program this month is quilt blocks based on depression-era symbols used by hobos.

## Cow Creek Cemetery Meeting set June 11

The Cow Creek Cemetery Meeting will be Saturday, June 11. The meeting will start at noon at the cemetery with a potluck lunch followed by the business meeting.

## Proposal to be made for swimming pool

Dublin City Council will meet in regular session at 7 p.m. Monday to consider a number of items including a proposal by an individual to operate the swimming pool. Shannon Bragg is to make the pool proposal as the city has no plans to open the pool this summer. Other items on the agenda include a request from Lori Dodd of Dublin Dr Pepper, appointment to the planning and zoning board to replace R. K. Wilcox, a recommendation from the finance committee to amend city fee ordinance. There is a proposed resolution from Carol Bagley to preserve the Dublin ISD Middle School campus, and a public hearing from P&Z on rezoning Betty Street to single family from industrial. An executive session is also scheduled for City Manager Jerry Guillory's annual review.

## Cinco de Mayo fun set for Comanche

A Cinco De Mayo Celebration will be held May 7 at the Comanche City Park. The day of fun will feature live music, taco and karaoke contests, a car show, Mexican bingo, a dance, fun stuff for kids and autograph signing by former Dallas Cowboy Everson Walls from 1 p.m.-3 p.m. For more info, call Maribel Gutierrez at (325) 330-1839.

## Love Basket expands hours

The Love Basket that provides food for those who are in need has expanded their hours for food distribution. Location is the storage buildings on East Elm. Food can be obtained from 9-11 a.m. on Friday and again that evening from 6-8 p.m. Anyone wanting to contribute food can contact Ray & Barbara Sissom or bring it by the Love Basket on Fridays.

# Obituaries



**Jackie Dangelo DANGELO**

Jackie Gwen Dangelo, 54, of Dublin died Sunday, May 1, 2011 at Comanche County Hospital. She was born Jan. 1, 1957 in Comanche to Hershel

Cagle and Tempest Inell Arms. In life, Dangelo worked as an LVN. She is survived by three sons, James Weaver of San Antonio and Jared Dangelo and Patrick Dangelo, both of Phoenix, Ariz.; two sisters, Fynlee Weaver of Abilene and Angela Sue Bowden of TX; four brothers, Mike Cagle of Kingsport, Tenn., Richard Kay of Austin, Roy Lee Kay of Conroe and Victor Kay of Elgin, TX; and two granddaughters. Funeral services were Wednesday, May 4 at Harrell Memorial Chapel, Rev. Robert Whitefield officiating, with burial at Proctor Cemetery.



**William Richards RICHARDS**

William "Bill" Thomas Richards, 86, died May 1, 2011 at the Tumbleweed Nursing Home in Brownville, Texas. He was born July 25, 1924 to Willie Salina Reid and Thomas Sidney Richards in Amarillo, Texas. Richards married Euvonne Jones on Oct. 11, 1948 in Fort Worth, and she preceded him in death in 1980. He then married Martha "Marty" Flory White

on March 15, 1994 in Lake Tahoe, Nev. He was a Dublin High School graduate and served the U.S. Army during World War II. After retiring from the General Tire and Rubber Company in Odessa, he became a land surveyor. He was also preceded by a daughter Linda Fae and a son Thomas "Tommy" Richards. He is survived by his wife; daughter, Christine Schuessler of Gardnerville, Nev.; seven grandchildren and six great grandchildren. Services for Bill Richards will be Thursday, May 5, 2011 at 2 p.m. at the Sunset Memorial Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. Jimmy Braswell officiating. Funeral arrangements are under the direction of Sunset Funeral Home. To sign the guest book, go to our website at [www.sunsetodessa.com](http://www.sunsetodessa.com).

## MORTON

Jim Morton, 64, of Tahoka died Monday, April 25, 2011. He was born in Clovis, N. M. on March 28, 1947 to Robert and Doris (Herron) Morton. On June 1, 1968, he was married to Barbara Orr in Tahoka. Morton worked for Lyntegar Electric Cooperative and was a graduate of Texas Tech and University of Houston in Victoria. He was preceded in death by a sister, Bobbye Gayle Morton.

He is survived by his wife; a son, James Daren Morton of San Antonio; a daughter, Belynda Hughes of Greenville; his mother of Dublin; four brothers, Charles Morton and Lee Morton of Plano, Sam Morton of Early and Tim Morton of Fort Worth; a sister Jeanette Huber of Dublin; and six grandchildren. Funeral services were Friday, April 29 at First United Methodist Church in Tahoka, Rev. Vernon Baker officiating, with burial in Dublin.

## STRUBE

M.E. "Margene" Strube, 75, of Comanche died May 3, 2011, at Hendrick Medical Center in Abilene, Texas. He was born on November 4, 1935, in Comyn to Junior Dean "Dick" Strube and Mildred (Waltrip) Strube. On October 21, 1961 he was united in marriage to Patricia Barnett in Dublin. He was a veteran of the U.S. Army and employed by Arthur Chevrolet in

Comanche for fifteen years, and for Moorman Manufacturing for twenty years. He is survived by his wife; son, Eddie Strube of Comanche; daughter, Natalie Carroll of Comanche; three brothers, Carl Dean Strube, Wayne Strube, and Jerry Don Strube; six grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. Funeral Services will be at Comanche Funeral Home Chapel at 2 p.m. on Thursday, May 5, 2011, with Rev. Jerry Shields officiating and Rev. Zack Ailshie and Rev. Steven Schulte assisting. Burial will be in Oakwood Cemetery in Comanche.

# CHURCH DIRECTORY

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9a.m.-11 p.m. (Registration begins at 8:30)  
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# Editor's Mail

Dear Editor,

A tribute to all volunteer firemen and their families- These men, so gallant and self-sacrificing All hours of the day or night- the signal comes and they are off to stand between us and destruction or death. God bless all volunteer firemen and their families.

Jo Cogburn  
DeLeon, TX

# D.I.S.D. News

## DMS News

For most of us, the TAKS testing is behind us and we can all breathe a sigh of relief. There will be some make-up testing for students who were absent and retakes for students with a less than passing grade. But, for the majority of students, another milestone is behind us as the end of the school year draws near. Now it's time to enjoy fun trips to Six Flags and Splashville and various events hosted by individual teachers.

Mrs. Weaver's classes have invited veterans from the community and surrounding areas to come and speak about their experience in specific wars. The students will use the information learned from the veterans and videos they are recording to make documentaries which will be stored at the Dublin

Historical Museum.

In one class, the invited veteran, who served in Iraq, was unable to attend or be skyped, but he sent a DVD about the Iraqi children. When he was stationed in Baghdad, he was one of the officers that led troops in rebuilding schools.

Invited speakers included: Mary Yantis of the Dublin Historical Museum who spoke about World Wars I and II; Mr. Johnson's father-in-law, George Russell, spoke about Korea; John Weaver, Mrs. Weaver's father-in-law, and Mac McKinnon, publisher of the *Dublin Citizen*, spoke about the Vietnam war; Lt. Colonel Brent Bush sent the DVD of the Iraqi children; and Jeff Weaver, Mrs. Weaver's husband, and Mr. Johnson spoke about the Cold War.

According to Mrs. Weaver, the students have been

awestruck by all that has been shown and presented. Her second and third period classes learned two songs which were popular war songs of the time and parents are encouraged to ask for a concert! She also encourages all of the parents whose children were involved in this exciting endeavor to ask their students what they are learning, not only about the history of our great nation, but also about the sacrifices of the men and women of Dublin who have served to ensure the safety and freedoms we enjoy.

Today, Thursday, May 5, at 1:30, there will be a Civil War presentation given by the Sons of the Confederacy, Camp #1904, and the Daughters of the Confederacy, Major George B. Erath chapter, Cactus Rose #23, in the Middle School auditorium.

This presentation is for the eighth grade students who just finished studying the Civil War. The presentation will conclude on the practice field behind the Middle School where Civil War weapons will be demonstrated.

## BOND

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the owner of property valued at \$100,000.

The \$5.4444 million is the amount approved for a low interest loan that the school applied for and received approval for, subject to voter approval. It would save more than \$3 million as compared to normal interest rates.

The bond issue is not in any way connected to the demolition of the old elementary building. That building is to be torn down after school is out June 4 under a contract approved on bids by the school board in January. It was to have been demolished three years ago but prices were considered far too high.

The current bid approved was slightly more than \$50,000 while the previous low bids were in excess of \$225,000.



**AIDING IN EDUCATION** - Last Tuesday night DISD parents received an iPod Touch with over 43 applications to aid in teaching parents English, American history, government, which is funded as part of the Connections Grant. Parents in the program will use their iPod to practice and record responses in English, learn new vocabulary, gain an understanding on American history and government, and model 21st century learning to their children. Norma Briseno, the ESL adult teacher, is having a lot of success with many positive outcomes. *Photo contributed*

## Dublin EDC offers grants to youth

The Dublin Economic Development Corporation is re-introducing its grant program which is targeted at creating summer business opportunities for youth.

The Youth Business Grant will pay up to \$1,000 to a young person under the age of 21 who creates a successful summer business.

Applicants must develop a concept for a summer (or 12-week) job, and complete a mini-plan that describes the proposed business, the marketing strategies and estimated expenses.

Applicants must live within the Dublin ISD and operate their business in the school district. A contract is required between the recipient, his parents/guardian and the DEDC. Periodic progress reports are required as well

as a final "actual versus budgeted" financial report.

Application forms are available at the Dublin EDC office, 111 S. Patrick, or by email at [dublinedc@ht.comp.net](mailto:dublinedc@ht.comp.net).

"This is a unique opportunity for young entrepreneurs to experience the excitement and personal rewards of starting a business," said DEDC executive director

Karen Wright. "A successful entrepreneur will have something credible to add to his or her resume in the future."

The type business is limited only by the resourcefulness of the applicant, Wright said. Lawn care, housekeeping, pet sitting or other services might qualify.

For more information, call the DEDC at 445-1919.

## Sudoku Puzzle

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(Answer on page A11) If you can count to nine, you can play Sudoku! Each row, columns and 3x3 square must contain the number 1 through 9. Use your logical abilities to figure out the blanks.

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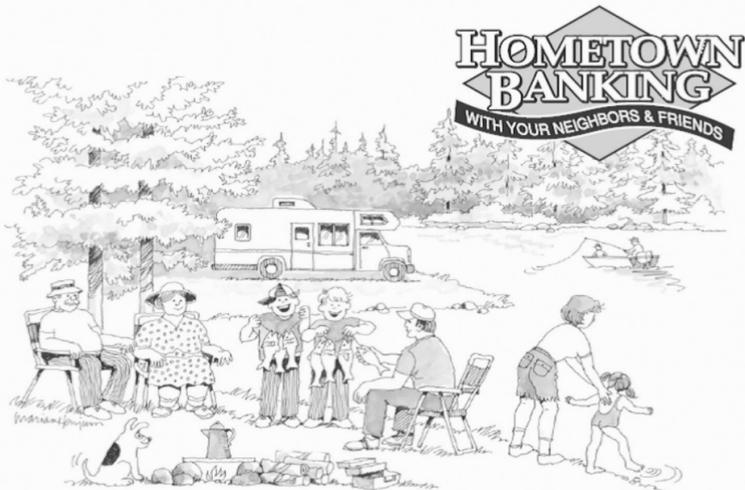
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**CTRW-** State Representative Sid Miller closed out the Cross Timbers Republican Women's Candidate Forum last week with a prayer for rain. He stopped in to the meeting unexpectedly last Thursday night as a beginning of an Easter weekend with his family. Prior to the prayer, he gave an Austin update which was a concern in some areas, but joy in others. The meeting started with a standing-room only crowd in the CitiBank Community Room with Becky Farrar giving a history lesson on the battle of San Jacinto and the reason we celebrate this great day. The Candidate Forum began with the City Council candidates. Each had three minutes to tell why he/she wanted this position; afterwards, there were questions taken from the audience. After the City Council candidates spoke and answered questions, it was time for the Stephenville ISD trustee candidates to take the stage. Again, each had three minutes before questions were taken from the audience. After State Representative Sid Miller's closing remarks and benediction, the candidates lingered to answer more questions, to mingle with the crowd, and to enjoy the furnished refreshments. Many people commented on how well the meeting was conducted and how nice it was to have this opportunity for people in the community to meet the candidates and decide their vote. Anyone interested in joining the Cross Timbers Republican Women who meet on the third Thursday of the month, should contact President Kathy Shafer 254.592.3360

## Northland launches new service

A new television package has been announced by Northland Communications. This special television package will be available May 1st for only \$29.99 per month to new customers or customers who add Internet or phone service.

Customers of this new service will enjoy many of the most popular channels including local networks and major sports channels, some of which will be available in HD without the need for additional equipment! No contract or credit card will be required, making this a convenient, money-saving home

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Northland recognized the need for a lower-priced solution for television service and created this package to fit the budget and viewing interests of the community. Bundling the new service with Internet or phone allows Northland to pass the savings on to the customer. TurboPower Internet enables customers to access endless entertainment possibilities on their computer or through their television using Internet video devices such as TiVo or Roku. Home Phone is a reliable service that saves expensive cell

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## Stephenville Chamber welcomes new director

**By JULY DANLEY  
Stephenville Chamber of Commerce President**

The Chamber is excited to welcome Teresa Burdick as our new Member Services Director!

Teresa will be responsible for membership development including recruitment and retention, promotion of member benefits, scheduling of membership events, and coordination of ambassador support.

Teresa most recently served as Executive Assistant with the Cross Timbers Fine Arts Council. A Tarleton State University Alum,

Teresa earned a Bachelor of Business Administration in Marketing, and comes to us with past experience in education, small business, and retail corporations.

Most importantly, we are confident that Teresa has the right mix of professional skills as well as enthusiasm and passion for our community to help our staff continue to improve the service we provide to our members. We are very excited about the tremendous asset she will be to our Chamber team.

Many of you may already know Teresa, but for those who do not, we look forward

to introducing her to you at one of the upcoming Chamber events.

Teresa is originally from Eastland, and has called Stephenville home for the past 5 years. Teresa's husband, Reeves Burdick, owns Your Better Credit, a credit repair and education service.

We are blessed to have a team of talented, energetic and enthusiastic individuals working together to promote Stephenville businesses and this community we love. Please contact us at any time with questions or suggestions!

## In the Neighborhood

### Hamilton Herald-News

### Lutherans serving BBQ now

The annual St. John Lutheran Church Men's Club Mother's Day chicken barbecue will be held through May 7. Whole chickens or three links of Wenzel's sausage are on sale for \$7 each. The barbecue will be available at the church's Family Life Center on Highway 22 of the southwest corner of the Hamilton square.

### One Act Play named State Alternate

The DeLeon High School One Act Play received the honor of State Alternate at the Regional competition held at Clyde High School. More than 300 schools competed in the 1A conference division of one act play across the state and DeLeon finished 9th.

### Hico News-Review

### Hico School Board honored

The Hico School Board has been honored by the 163-member Texas Rural Education Association as 2011 School Board of the Year. Reported factors consider in the reviewing process include commitment top small-town schools and values as well as commitment to promote education in a rural environment.

### Gorman Progress

### GISD student advances

Gorman High School Student traveled to state UIL competition in Social Studies after placing 1st in both regional and district competition in Gustine and Abilene respectively. He was travelling to the University of Texas in Austin on May 5 and 6 to represent Gorman at state level.

### Sweetest Loop set this weekend

Circle T Arena's annual Sweetest Loop roping competition benefitting Hamilton General Hospital Healthcare Foundation's Mission Mammography is set for May 6-8. This year's event will feature a golf scramble at the Perry Country Club, barrel racing and several other events.

### DeLeon Free-Press

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Those who are unable to attend the seminars can call the Comptroller's tax assistance line at (800) 252-5555. Tax forms and tax information can also be found on the Comptroller's website, [www.window.state.tx.us](http://www.window.state.tx.us).



## Editor's Mail



### To the citizens of Dublin ISD,

I have spent many hours being involved in the planning committee and attending school board meetings to help determine the best solution to the use of taxpayer funds for the middle school campus.

The word "transparency" has been used so much lately. In my mind that means informing the taxpayers of all the details relating to the bond election and destruction of our historical structures.

We, the taxpayers, and the school board, will not know the exact interest rate until we sell bonds. Apparently, we will not know exactly how much the school will invest until the plans are completed by the architect.

Several years ago, the school district raised the tax rate to build a school construction fund. Currently there is a balance of 5 million in that fund.

The board originally set 4.4 million toward the project. Then it was lowered to 3.4, then 2.3 million. At the April 26 bond meeting Mr. Barnett stated the districts contribution would be around 1.766 million. The Citizen mentioned the district would put in up to 2.1 million. At the April 28 meeting, Mr. Barnett stated that the district would contribute 1.866 million.

Then the matter of the historical significant, of the middle school campus was presented to the board. The majority of the board is not interested in the importance

of the recognition this would bring to the school district and the city. Not to mention the economic benefits.

Neither Mr. Barnett nor the board will discuss what will become of the old elementary school if the bond does not pass. During the January meeting Garron House asked the question and members replied that the demolition could still go forward and they could make a parking lot or landscape the space for the use of the students.

Mr. Barnett finally stated that the rock exterior was solid. The inside does not meet TEA or ADA requirements, however the school architect has drawn preliminary plans that show the renovated existing intermediate school would cost around 2.3 million and

the renovated high school would cost around 2 million. This includes what is required to make it compliant. These plans were presented to the board at the April meeting. To date the board has not acknowledged that they exist.

I am not clear on why the administration needs the old high school with 25,950 square feet and another 8,000 square feet in the proposed new construction.

All of this information has been presented as public information, which I learned by attending board meetings, planning committee meetings and the recent bond meetings. I feel that this is transparency

Thank You for reading,  
Jim Bagley

### To All Dublin Citizens.

As many of you know, the Dublin Elem School is to be torn down. Our history is fixing to be destroyed forever, the same school so many of you attended, the School that Johnny Duncan, Mary Ann Mayfield, Booger Red, Truck Stephens, Billy Kloster, Harry Thompkins sons and many many more successful famous people attended.

It is to be torn down and replaced with a parking lot. I know you ALL love history in this town, you have Historical societies, 101, museums, rodeo parades and so many other things you rally around.

And this is my plea to you from the bottom of my heart. Call the school board and super and TELL them how you feel.

If you dont let them know they will do what they feel is the right thing to do. The building is empty, it is not needed. Tell them to save an IMPORTANT part of Dublins history.

The Dublin School Complex is eligible for National Register of Historic Places, Texas Historic

Commission and the WPA wall, gym and little store.

We have talked to over a hundred of you this last few days, not a single one of you want the school torn down.

So PLEASE, call the board, make some noise so THEY will know how you feel.

I am begging you all now to show the love for this town, this school, that you have in your hearts. The love that I have in my heart.

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**Amen**

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## May named Elder Abuse Prevention Month

Governor Rick Perry has proclaimed May as Elder Abuse Prevention Month. This month, Adult Protective Services' (APS) is reminding all Texans to do their part in the battle against abuse, neglect, and exploitation of the elderly and adults with disabilities.

"If you suspect that an elderly or disabled adult is being abused or neglected, please report it immediately," said Beth Engelking, DFPS assistant commissioner for Adult Protective Services. "Protecting vulnerable adults is everyone's business."

Throughout May, APS and many community, civic, and professional groups are holding conferences and other events designed to boost understanding of adult abuse and to explore new ways of protecting Texans who are elderly or have disabilities.

It's all part of APS' annual "It's Everyone's Business" campaign. Learn about signs of abuse and find events in your area at: [www.EveryonesBusiness.org](http://www.EveryonesBusiness.org)

Last year, APS completed

82,802 investigations and confirmed that 56,056 people were victims of abuse, neglect, or exploitation while living at home. Half of the victims were elderly and half were people with disabilities.

State law requires anyone who suspects abuse, neglect, or exploitation to report it to the Texas Abuse Hotline at 1-800-252-5400 or online at [www.TxAbuseHotline.org](http://www.TxAbuseHotline.org).

APS urges civic groups, hospitals, home-health agencies, libraries, congregations or anyone interested in protecting the elderly to download and share the Adult Abuse Prevention Kit.

This 30-page resource in English and Spanish, plus other resources, are available at [www.EveryonesBusiness.org](http://www.EveryonesBusiness.org).

A public service announcement, in English and Spanish, is also available to view and share on the campaign website and on Texas Department of Family and Protective Services' YouTube channel.

**APS Facts and Figures**

Adult Protective Services (APS) is a division of the Texas Department of Family and Protective Services (DFPS).

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APS serves Texas residents 65 years or older, and those 18 to 64 with a disabling condition.

Texas has more than 2.5 million residents 65 or older and more than 1.7 million people with a disability (ages 18-64).

In 2010, APS completed more than 82,802 investigations of abuse, neglect, or exploitation involving adults living at home. Those investigations confirmed that 56,056 Texans were victims of abuse, neglect, or exploitation.

More information is available in the DFPS 2010 Annual Report and Data Book.

## Sheriff's Report

On April 18 Erath County Sheriff's Office was notified of sexual abuse on PR1604.

On April 19 at 2:30 p.m. a Reporting Person (RP) advised that someone tried to cash a bad check at a Dublin bank.

At 3:32 p.m. burglaries were reported on FM2481 after someone broke in to several storage buildings.

At 4:08 p.m. ECSO was notified of the theft of a stock trailer on PR711.

At 7:29 p.m. a RP came by the office to report assault on PR910.

On April 20 at 1:34 p.m. \$40 worth of gas was reported stolen in a drive-off on CR351.

At 4:48 p.m. a RP on CR273 advised that their fences were cut and cows were missing.

At 6:58 p.m. ECSO was alerted to children throwing rocks and glass at a vehicle on PR1329.

At 7:09 p.m. eight large bags of trash were reported dumped by the road on CR386.

At 10:02 p.m. a RP advised that there were shots fired on PR1668.

On April 21 at 5:47 a.m. ECSO was notified of assault on CR486.

At 10:28 a.m. a RP informed ECSO of the theft of medication from her purse on US377.

On April 22 at 1:29 a.m. ECSO was informed on cocaine use on FM8.

At 9:10 p.m. a RP said that they caught someone stealing iron and metal from their property.

On April 23 at 7:24 a.m. ECSO was notified that someone ran over several mailboxes on PR1607.

At 3:09 p.m. a RP on PR723 reported the theft of several musical instruments.

On April 25 at 12:19 p.m. Dublin PD informed ECSO of a reckless driver weaving into oncoming traffic on US377.

At 2:18 p.m. the theft of farm equipment was reported on PR1526.

At 6:45 p.m. ECSO was

notified that a man on CR489 was attacked by bees while mowing.

On April 26 at 5:04 p.m. two vehicles reportedly hit debris on the roadway on US377.

At 7:09 p.m. a RP advised that a man in overalls and no shirt was walking on railroad tracks on PR1186 and firing a gun.

At 11:10 p.m. a RP on PR1603 advised that an unknown male had passed out on their porch. Responding deputies arrested the male for public intoxication.

On April 27 at 9:44 a.m. ECSO was notified of illegal

dumping of paint, batteries, oil and tires on CR2013.

At 6:13 p.m. the burglary of a habitation was reported on CR434.

On April 28 a RP on US377 advised that someone broke in the back door.

At 9:48 p.m. a possible drunk driver was reported by Dublin PD on US 377.

At 10:15 p.m. a subject was arrested for drugs/narcotics on SH108.

On April 29 at 12:16 a.m. a subject was arrested for public intoxication on PR707.

At 1:00 a.m. another arrest was made for driving while intoxicated on SH108.

### In Review

## Trio gives melodic voice to great music

Every now and then a group comes along that no one has ever heard about, one that has been laboring in the shadows, just waiting to break out.

Such is the case with Lucy Angel, the combined voices of Kate, Lindsay and Emily Anderton who are billed as three talented, entertaining and brilliantly focused individuals. Kate is the mom and they share a passion for music with a sassy spirit.

They have toured around the world with songs that are very different but honest and refreshing. It's recommended listening.

Mac B. McKinnon  
Editor & Publisher

## Police Log

Dublin Police were busy over the past week that included two calls related to child abuse.

On April 27 at 7 a.m. a caller on Blackjack reported that someone had broken into their truck.

At 9:33 a caller advised that their black poodle was missing.

On April 29 at 11:55 a.m. a tree had fallen across the roadway in the intersection of Shamrock and Liveoak.

At 4:04 p.m. Dublin PD was informed of a blown transformer on S. Camden.

On May 1 at 10:40 a.m. a subject came into the station in reference to stolen money.

At 5:19 p.m. a caller on Belfast called Dublin PD about a theft.

At 10:35 p.m. a skunk was reported in the Fire Department bay.

On May 3 at 11:36 a.m. a reckless driver in a pewter Suburban was reported heading into Dublin from DeLeon.

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Fewell, Billie Hancock, Norma Joyce Young, Lee Elden Young, Ellanetta Robbins, Mildred Novit, Dorothy Nell Robbins, Gene Ann Gregory, and Evelyn Hughes,

### 50 YEARS AGO MAY 5, 1961

Dublin Scouts attending the Longhorn Council were David Cleveland, Joe Campbell, Lewis Crouch, Ritchie Croft, Carl Sanders Jr., Lewis Whiteley, Richard Whiteley, Larry Gibson, and Scoutmasters Carl Sanders and Utah Whitley.

Soil Conservation employees from the Dublin office were pictured and included Tom Bone, Willie

Grisham, Elmer Rothe, Wilbur Jurney, W. R. (Bill) Heizer, Ed Harris, and Wayne Wilcox.

### 25 YEARS AGO MAY 7, 1986

Lewis Crouch was honored as an honorary member of Future Farmers of America. Darren Turley, FFA president, presented the award.

Three special awards were presented at the annual Future Farmers of America Student-Parent Banquet. Receiving awards were Kevin Crouch for Outstanding Member of the Year; Jason White, Star Chapter Farmer; and Ronnie Belew, Star Greenhand.

DHS students placing in

the UIL District competition were Dana Taylor, Jeannie Vanderpool, and Missy Way.

FFA Chapter Award winners included Charlie Black, Alan Spruill, Kris Simmons, Ronnie Belew, Stacy Erichsen, Tim Lewis, Russell Johnson, Terry Craddock, Jason White, Kevin Hendon, Robert Tucker, Barry DeWeese, John Cox, Jon Colwell, and Troy Johnson.

DHS Seniors making the A Honor Roll were Sheila Sharp Bishop, Kevin Crouch, Jennifer Harrell, Michelle Harris, Kevin Hendon, Gretchen Hoyt, T. J. Johnson, Lisa Lisso, Gladys McMillian, Tony Nelson, and Michelle Teter.

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**FORUM**

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Bagley was presented with questions concerning how to get kids involved in the community and make

the schools safer. She feels that getting kids more involved starts with getting them outside for projects like beautifying school yards and away from

technological distractions.

She admitted that keeping schools safe was tricky but offered that security cameras could be placed on all entries and monitored.

"Some of my more precious memories are teaching in Dublin," Travis Barnes said in introducing himself. He said that his decision to run stemmed from his work in Upward Bound at Tarleton. He mentioned to Dublin students in the program that he had served on the board before and they requested he run again because they felt like their voices weren't being heard.

"My slogan is 'Kids first,' which is kind of corny, but they're the reason I'm here," he said.

Barnes also said that the staff needed to be represented better.

"I know a lot about the Dublin system," he said. "It's a great system, but we need to be more aware of needs."

Barnes was presented with questions about making the school more attractive and the 1:1 ratio of technological devices (such as iPods and laptops) in the classroom.

He felt that the first step in making schools more attractive was listening to students and getting them involved. He added that selecting the right teachers was important. He is against the use of devices in class saying that "kids are already wired enough" in their free time.

Adrienne Fails reported that she feels that the district is really going in the right direction as the board is starting to ask questions. "The public demands us to ask questions and hear the answers," she said. Although she has seen the effectiveness of the school first-hand in the success of her sons, she has noticed a lack of enthusiasm and pride in it. "We need to work to get back to the

glory days as it is a fantastic school," she encouraged.

She applauded that school board members are constantly learning through seminars and said that she will effectively use that knowledge and experience if re-elected.

She was presented with whether she would consider separating the need for the Jr. High from the need for an administration building. She responded, "there's nothing we shouldn't consider" and said that several plans were considered before the current bond proposal. She also responded to whether she thought it was fair to cut staff and not administration, saying, "I would rather see teachers there, their jobs are of utmost importance."

This sentiment was echoed by Brenda Gilman as she answered a similar question. "The administration isn't teaching kids what they need to learn," she said.

Gilman, who worked at the Dublin Post Office for 18 years, said she is running without an agenda but has the time to really examine and question the issues.

Upon questioning, Gilman said she thought it was unfair to have four top jobs taken by husband/wife teams (referring to the employment of the wives of Superintendent Barnett and Associate Superintendent Schnider). She said that doing that is "kicking a Dublin person out of a job."

Erica Gomez said she is running because she feels very passionately about Dublin's teachers, saying that the lessons she learned in school are being passed with fondness to her children. "I want my children to remember the little things I remember about my teachers," she stated.

She also feels cutbacks should come from the

administration side and not the educators which she repeated when asked if it was feasible to continue spending money on administrators.

Gomez also hopes to act as a voice for the Hispanic community in her role on the school board.

Mike Jurney said his best experiences in Dublin schools were the friends he made and has kept all his life. "It's not just what you learn but the experiences you gain that make for a well-rounded individual," He reported.

He feels that the state tries to control how schools are run but the staff is ultimately responsible for preparing students for the next step.

Jurney was asked what could be done to bring fondness back to school to which he responded that camaraderie needs to be encouraged. He was also asked if money could be funneled into non-athletic extracurricular activities to which he said that the administration is in charge of putting together plans while the school board has to pick the best one.

Jurney also responded to whether he would be for returning to a one superintendent system, saying that Roy Neff had been unique in handling every facet of the job himself after the retirement of his business manager. Jurney reported that Neff reminded the board that it might be necessary to once again split the duties once he retired.

In answering written questions, Jurney said that Dublin ISD was preparing for the future by keeping their students on the cutting-edge of technology and that better control of spending in the superintendent's office was not needed because it is monitored through annual audit that Dublin always passes with a clear report.

Bagley said that she found it odd that Dublin was told it had too much money. Jurney said that this was reported in the school's FIRST rating where TEA wants to keep districts spending more of their own money than using state funds. He added that this fund balance is sometimes needed for special projects but wouldn't make up for the low-interest loan in the current bond proposal. He offered that nothing would probably be done for a while if the bond failed because the school would be missing out on an unusually low-interest loan.

Jeff Weaver was presented with the question of whether he felt it was necessary to borrow money for new construction and responded that it was unwise to dip too far into the school's fund balance since it was required to keep a certain amount.

Although Weaver's origins as an 'Army brat' and work with the Coast Guard kept him moving, he has now stayed in Dublin longer than anywhere else and considers this his home town. He wants to help the school as it struggles with budgeting, personnel and accountability.

Weaver was also faced with the question of whether the old elementary school should be demolished. From reports that it had been deemed unsafe, he said he agreed with the decision and added that there was no opportunity to change it since it had already been decided.

Don Keith wasn't present as he was attending church. Moderator Nancy Wooldridge read a prepared bio in which he would bring in his previous experience with the school board and peanut producers board.

Gloria Gonzalez was also absent.



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## Editor's Mail

Dear Editor,

I was particularly touched by an act of kindness the other day that went quite a bit beyond what one might expect. Seems I got a voicemail message on my cell phone that I had two calves out on a road in Comanche County; they had escaped from a pasture I lease there. It is 20 miles from my home

in Hamilton County.

The caller identified himself but didn't leave a phone number and my phone didn't record his number. The call was from someone I'd never met or heard of and I couldn't call him back.

I got loose from the chore I was doing as quickly as I could, loaded up some fence-mending materials, and

headed out. It probably took me 40 minutes to get out there. When I arrived, it was a rural mail carrier, and he was still there with my calves, even after all that time. He then helped me get the calves back in.

I thanked him and asked him how he found me. Turns out he knew my landlord's nephew, and so tracked me down that way. It sure seemed like a lot of trouble to help someone you'd never met. I know this is not the only example out there like this, but it sure is a good one. Thanks, Bill Curly, of the Dublin Post Office. It is those acts of kindness that make this part of Texas a mighty good place to live.

Lloyd Huggins

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## 2011 Dublin Emergency Alert Test Schedule

Monday, May 2, 2011  
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Monday, June 6, 2011  
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Monday, July 4, 2011  
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Monday, Aug. 1, 2011  
Noon

Monday, Sept. 5,  
2011  
Noon

Monday, Oct. 3, 2011  
Noon

Monday, Nov. 7, 2011  
Noon

Monday, Dec. 5, 2011  
Noon



**END OF SEMESTER** – Monday was the final “class” for History 101 at the Lyon Prim Cultural Events Center. This class included a lesson from Janella Hendon on the Barbee cabin and settlers in the 1850s and later. Also included in the class was a report from Mary Yantis on the Miller Grist Mill and a gift from the family to help complete restoration. (See next week’s *Citizen* for more information.)

## Historical Society hosting open house

It is time for a May party like no other since the December party of 2007! Make plans now to attend a tour of Pat and Sarah Bay’s beautiful 1898 home at 502 West Clinton either Friday, Saturday or Sunday, May 19, 20, or 21.

Mr. and Mrs. Bays very generously shared their newly renovated home three and a half years ago, allowing the

Historical Society to raise funds for historical preservation projects. As many have said they missed it, or they want to make a return visit, this is now possible. (And the Historical Society is still in the preservation business and raising funds!) Tickets will be \$10 per person with the guided tours being from 1 to 5 each day.

Friends, family, and members of the historical Society will be in each room sharing the stories of the Harris family who built it and of the Bays family who have restored it. Tell a friend. Bring a friend. Call a relative. Help spread the word. This is one great opportunity to see this Dublin treasure—sixteen (plus) unbelievable rooms. No one goes away disappointed.

## LEGEND

**Cont’d from A1**  
 instrumental in helping purchase the land on Patrick Street where the church relocated.

He was always willing to help and to serve at the church. Community members remember him being a very responsible and helpful Christian man. Prior to his death he served as a church deacon.

Lawrence loved to help and to serve people. He served as the local head of the Red Cross for many years in Dublin.

If a soldier was wounded in battle and returned to the area, Mr. Keller made sure that the soldier had everything they needed.

If there was a tragedy and a soldier did not return, he would help the soldier’s family with arrangements and expenses.

While serving as the head of the Red Cross he also assisted with any emergencies that came up, taking supplies to and helping those who needed

it. He was very big on supporting the soldiers of World War I and World War II.

He raised money, made bandages, and did whatever it took to make sure that those who served our country were taken care of. During World War II when tires were being rationed, because of the rubber shortage, Lawrence served on the Erath County Rationing board.

Although he helped many while working with the Red Cross he did not limit himself to that.

“He helped people out with anything they needed”, said Ms. Little, “He was a good guy.” One of his favorite things was making boxes filled with fruit, nuts, and other items to give to needy families in Dublin at Christmas.

“He loved everyone,” said his daughter Martha. For thirteen years he served on the Dublin School Board and was instrumental in the building of the Elementary School in

1936.

Lawrence Keller married Ruby Dabney Keller, of Dublin, in 1923. They had two children, Martha and Charles Keller.

Jean Henderson Billingsley was neighbors with the Keller family. “They were a good family”, said Mrs. Billingsley. She described him as being dedicated to his family. “Martha was a talented pianist and Mr. Keller could always be seen at her recitals”, recalled Mrs. Billingsley.

Many people recall how proud Mr. Keller always was of his children. One of his favorite pastimes was spending time with his son, Charles, fishing and hunting.

Keller was active in the community until he died in 1985. “He was a respected community leader”, said Mary Yantis. He was buried in the Live Oak Cemetery in Dublin, a year before his wife.

## The Library Log

By Patty Hirst

Patrons—please begin to collect boxes! With the renovation project at hand, all the books on the shelves in the main body of the library will be stored in boxes in the next few weeks.

Steve & Donna Hightower have generously offered storage area for some of the materials during the renovation. Thank you!

Please contact the library at 445-4141 to help with storage space, help in removing the materials from the present space, etc. Much help will be needed!

The fruits from this Tocker grant will serve our community so well in providing new shelving for the library’s main floor as well as the children’s room and a new circulation desk.

The library will be closed from May 28-June 18.

Much work will be done during the three weeks that the library is closed!

So many improvements will be made and the community will be the beneficiary of this upgrade.

Please be patient as this growth in our facility is made possible.

The present bookcases are selling for \$25 each. Volunteers will be considered first in this distribution, but call the library to be put on a list for those items left for sale. This is a great buy.

The book club met on Saturday, April 30 to discuss Lynn Austin’s book *While We Are Apart*. The WW II setting yielded much fodder in talking about the customs of the time period in connection with the characters and their actions.

Those present agreed

that Austin is a very good author and the majority of her work is excellent. The library has a most of her books. The WWII time period will continue.

The May meeting will discuss the non-fiction piece, *Unbroken*. The conversation worked around the grittiness and candor of this book’s content.

One member had already read it and declared it very frank, but exactly what our military POWs experienced during captivity during WW II.

The next meeting will be at 1 p.m. on May 21. For anyone interested in this period of American history, take the time to read up and join us at the book club meeting.

Several books that Adina brought back from the Texas Library Association Conference which were donated by mystery authors are now on the “new” shelf.

Texas author Susan Wittig Albert’s *Mourning Gloria* is available.

Albert has a number of books on the library’s shelves. Her setting is a fictional small town in the Texas Hill Country. This is a setting that should appeal to local patrons.

As a fan of Albert, I am so glad to get a shot at her newest publication. Amanda Quick, a

pseudonym for Jane Ann Krentz, has out the second book of the “Looking Glass Trilogy” in *Quicksilver*.

Jodi Picoult’s latest, *Sing Me Home*, is also on the “new” shelf.

This is a very complicated plot as is characteristic of Picoult. It is extremely timely and true to life.

The twists and turns of the plot are resolved happily but what a journey!!

A CD of music is included in the book and goes perfectly with the storyline. Having just finished this novel, it certainly takes the reader on a rollercoaster ride of emotions. Looking for a book that describes today’s world? This novel fits the bill.

The Dublin Public Library never disappoints! Come in and witness all that is going on.

### Sudoku Solution

7	8	5	4	6	1	9	3	2
1	9	4	3	8	2	5	6	7
6	2	3	7	5	9	4	1	8
2	1	9	6	3	7	8	5	4
4	5	7	1	2	8	6	9	3
8	3	6	5	9	4	7	2	1
5	7	1	2	4	6	3	8	9
9	6	2	8	7	3	1	4	5
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# Computer Lab

Starting May 2, 2011

The Dublin Intermediate School Computer Lab will be open from 6 p.m. - 8 p.m. Monday nights. This computer lab will be available for parents, students, and community members to have access to a computer and internet services.

# Highland News

by Glenys Mathis

Little Miss Addison Rose Keith, daughter of Darren and Katie Keith arrived May 2, 2011 at 11:43 a.m. weighing in at 7 lbs. 13 oz. Congratulations to the proud parents.

Pot Luck is on the menu for next week.

While at Wal-Mart last week, I saw Cynthia Hulsey

and she said Trinity had been sick with a sore throat and congestion but was on the mend.

Alice Keith said John and Ava Barnes came for a short visit and had lunch with her. The car John was driving was showing signs of hail damage from last week.

Bette House returned home from her trip up to Kentucky to visit daughter Nanci. Bette said they went hiking, horse back riding and they checked out Cumberland Falls and ate at a few fancy places. And Bette did some shopping while there.

I would like to honor my

Uncle Robert Martin Hancock who passed away Sunday, May 1, 2011. During the depression, he quit school in the 8th grade to dig ditches for one dollar a day, very good money in those days.

When WW11 started, he tried to join the paratroopers but being 6' 4", he was too

big. He was assigned to an 81MM mortar team.

Later he was to become one among the many defenders in the Battle of the Bulge. Twice, Martin's feet were frozen beyond frostbite.

As the battles raged back and forth, the Germans drove deeper, the Americans formed impromptu lines until the Germans were held up, surrounded on 3 sides and driven back to their lines.

On the push to Berlin, Martin and a few other soldiers were captured. The Germans were retreating so rapidly, they left the Americans in a basement and were told that if any man stuck his head up, it would be shot off.

Later an officer took a peek and found the Germans gone. Twice Uncle Martin was wounded with a bullet grazed on his backside and a bullet grazed his lower lip. Uncle Martin didn't put in for any Purple Hearts.

He felt those should be awarded to men who were more seriously wounded.

After the war was over,

Uncle Martin and his family moved to San Diego and went to work for Rohr Aircraft Company, later named Rohr Industries.

He was such a hard, reliable and intelligent man, he moved up in the company to become a Quality Assurance Engineer where he traveled all over Europe. He was an instrumental in building the Bart Rapid Transit system in San Francisco and Washington D.C.

He was a Christian man and devoted much of his time to the youths. Many of the youths he worked with remain close to Brother Hancock as they grew up and had families.

He retired in Mountain Home, AR. There is more to this man but I couldn't print it all. He will be greatly missed.

Happy Birthday to Phil House & Kenzie Roan, 5/8; Terry Crownover & Brittney Paddock, 5/9; Alford Durpiest, 5/10; M.L. Brownlee, 5/11; Travis Teague & Jeanie Hargrove, 5/13; Brady Gibson & Toby Couch, 5/15.



**CELEBRATION** - Members Trust Credit Union Friday celebrated its 75th anniversary Friday with a special member appreciation day complete with free bar-b-q and special prizes.

## Editor's Mail

Dear Editor,

It's National Teacher Appreciation Week, so you know it would mean a lot to teachers in your community to let them know what a difference they make.

We've created a beautiful movie and poster, to do just that, from a Love Letter to Teachers that John Wayne "Jack" Schlatter's wrote for his book, "I Am A Teacher."

If you are a teacher, please enjoy this movie as our gift to you in great appreciation for all that you do to make a difference.

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