

*De-Go-La Resource
Conservation & Development*

*2005
Annual Report*



1892 Victoria County Courthouse
Restored

Front Cover:
1892 Victoria County Courthouse, Restored
Victoria, Victoria County

“This pretty and commodious building is three stories in height with a handsome tower, which commands a view of the city of Victoria... this is the handsomest courtroom south of Dallas, and is furnished with luxury and taste...Here is where the district judge and his colleagues dispense justice to the ‘wild and woolly’ and to the innocent victim...”

Quote taken from the Victoria Daily News, August 1893.

The original 1849 courthouse serving Victoria County, was replaced in 1892 by the Romanesque Revival structure designed by J. Riley Gordon.

Gordon is known as the “father” of Texas county courthouse architects. By the time he left Texas in 1903, he had designed sixteen county courthouses for Texas.

The 1892 Courthouse was restored to its’ original grandeur in a seven year project which culminated on March 24, 2001 with a formal dedication.

Photo and information courtesy of The Victoria Preservation , Inc. website:

www.preservevictoria.org

De-Go-La wishes to thank the following sponsors for their participation during the year 2005:

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Port O'Connor Chamber of Commerce
Refugio County Commissioners Court
San Patricio County Commissioners Court
San Patricio SWCD
Victoria County Commissioners Court
Victoria SWCD
City of Port Lavaca
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2005-2006 De-Go-La RC&D Officers and Directors

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Rhonda Stastny, at large

Everyone at De-Go-La extends thank you to all the Directors for their active participation in the advancement of rural issues.

Also, "Welcome Aboard" to Curtis Afflerbach, Bill Janecek and Gary Burns, new to the board of directors in representation of their counties: DeWitt, Goliad and Victoria, respectively.

2005 Projects completed and on going

Boys & Girls Club of Beeville-Bee	\$1,200.00
Calhoun SWCD#345-Calhoun	2,540.00
Helping Hands of Jackson County-Jackson	3,000.00
Copano Bay SWCD-Refugio	1,700.00
Pride of Taft-San Patricio	1,000.00
City of Taft-San Patricio	1,000.00
Moulton Fire Department-Lavaca	1,200.00
Vysehrad I.S.D.-Lavaca	1,000.00
Ag in the Classroom-Calhoun	1,000.00
Small Business Workshop-Calhoun	1,000.00
Basic Grants Workshop-area wide	3,357.00
Advanced Grants Workshop-area wide	6,112.00
Community Leaders Forum-area wide	1,000.00
DeWitt Com. Dev. Fd. Strategic Planning-DeWitt	400.00
Old Tyme Days-Williamson	5,000.00
Vysehrad I.S.D.-Lavaca	5,600.00
Consumer Credit Counseling Service-area wide	2,800.00
Affectionate Arms Adult Daycare-Victoria	700.00
Golden Crescent Workforce-Victoria	700.00
Velocity Skate Park-Victoria	700.00
Billy T. Cattan Recovery Outreach-Victoria	700.00
City of Gregory HHW-San Patricio	24,914.00
Revolving Loan Fund-area wide	600,000.00
Private Lands Riparian Habitat Initiative-area wide	<u>14,383.00</u>
 Total amount:	 \$681,006.00



Chairman of the Board, Marshall Holybee and Joyce May, Executive Secretary. Joyce received recognition from De-Go-La for her valuable service to the project.



Danny Long, Golden Crescent Regional Planning Commission and Charlie Stone, O.R.C.A. Charlie was one of the guest speakers for the Annual Meeting.



Judy McAda and Dustin Bryant are both representing Congressman Ruben Hinojosa's office. Lisa Peterson, is from Rep. Geanie Morrison's office.



Judy Fort with the Texas Department of Agriculture gave an informative talk about the Texas Yes! program which helps rural communities in Texas.



Charlie Stone pointed out the ways which O.R.C.A. serves Texas and the importance of health care needs for Texans in rural communities especially those living in Colonias.



Suzanne Clodfelter, Manager, Center for Non-Profit Leadership spoke on how all must work together to build stronger communities.



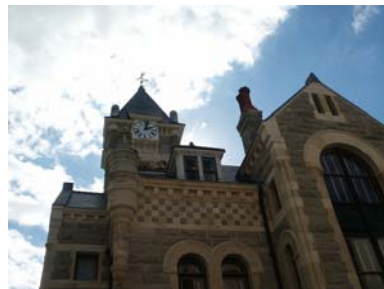
After the Annual Meeting, Gary Dunham with Victoria Preservation Inc. lead participants on an interesting tour of the restored 1892 Victoria County Courthouse.



Inside view of a restored office in the Courthouse.



This covered hallway connects the restored courthouse to the newer buildings.



More views of the restored 1892 Courthouse.

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Financial Report Year Ending September 30, 2005

Revenue	
Dues	\$2,800.00
Salary & Operating Grants	18,500.00
Rent, Utilities, Janitorial	525.00
Project Grants	26,556.63
SEP	23,741.68
Dry Hydrants	710.25
National Meeting	190.27
Grant Workshop	450.00
Misc.	<u>50.00</u>
Total	\$73,523.83

Expenditures	
Dues	\$675.00
Consumable Supplies	417.40
Postage	37.00
Director Travel & Meeting	1,282.60
Clerical/Salary	9,967.36
Payroll Taxes	664.86
Internet Service & Website	637.56
Matching Grant Awards	4,000.00
Rent, Utilities, Janitorial	525.00
Professional Fees	300.00
Projects	8,435.00
State Meeting	3,061.84
Transfer to SEP account	16,345.84
Health Insurance	898.82
Surety Bond	1,050.00
Misc.	<u>54.13</u>
Total Expenditures	\$48,352.41

Gain/loss	\$25,171.42
Fund Bal. October 1, 2004	\$23,453.31
Fund Bal. September 30, 2005	\$48,624.73

Assets	
Cash in bank	<u>\$48,624.73</u>
Subtotal current assets	\$48,624.73
Office furniture/equipment	8,765.60
Rental equipment	0.00
Land & buildings	0.00
Accounts receivable	0.00
Subtotal fixed assets	<u>\$8,765.60</u>
Total assets	\$57,389.73
Liabilities	
Accounts payable	\$0.00
Notes payable	<u>0.00</u>
Total liabilities	\$0.00
Fund equity	
Investment in fixed assets	\$8,765.60
Unreserved fund balance	<u>48,624.73</u>
Total fund equity	\$57,389.73
Total Liabilities & Fund Equity	\$57,389.73
SEP Year Ending September 30, 2005	
DeWitt County Account	
Revenue	
Interest	<u>\$25.80</u>
Total revenue	25.80
Expenditures	<u>0.00</u>
Total Expenditures	0.00
Gain/loss	<u>25.80</u>
Fund balance October 1,2004	\$5,538.65
Fund balance September 30, 2005	\$5,564.45
San Patricio Account	
Revenue	
De-Go-La RC&D	\$7,395.84
Texas Assoc. of RC&D's	8,950.00

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San Patricio cont.	
De-Go-La RC&D	8,895.00
Texas Assoc. of RC&D's	14,791.68
Interest	<u>152.55</u>
Total revenue	\$40,240.07
Expenditures	
A-1 Screen Printing	\$306.00
Mac's Pit Barbecue	295.77
Jerry Pearce	42.79
De-Go-La RC&D	14,791.68
Texas Assoc. of RC&D's	1,554.16
Rad-Tec Fabrications, Inc.	1,383.00
San Patricio SEP-003 new account	8,962.92
Clean Harbors Environmental Servc.	11,791.68
Credit Card Center-BFI	<u>224.85</u>
Total expenditures	\$38,352.85
Gain/loss	<u>\$887.22</u>
Fund balance October 1, 2004	\$25,374.68
Fund balance September 30, 2005	\$26,261.90

San Patricio County SEP 003

Revenues	
San Patricio County SEP	\$8,962.92
Interest	<u>25.57</u>
Total revenue	\$8,988.49
Expenditures	<u>0.00</u>
Gain/loss	<u>\$8,988.49</u>
Fund balance October 1, 2004	\$0.00
Fund balance September 30, 2005	\$8,988.49

SEP 007 well plugging

Revenue	
Texas Assoc. of RC&D Area	\$5,050.00
Interest	<u>4.84</u>
Total revenue	\$5,054.84
Expenditures	<u>0.00</u>
Total expenditures	0.00

SEP 007 well plugging cont.	
Fund balance October 1, 2004	\$0.00
Fund balance September 30, 2005	\$5,054.84
Total worth of De-Go-La RC&D Project	
Checking Account	\$48,624.73
DeWitt County SEP	5,564.45
San Patricio County SEP	26,261.90
San Patricio County SEP 003	8,988.49
SEP 007 Well Plugging	5,054.84
Fixed Assets	<u>8,765.60</u>
Total	\$103,260.01

The Vision of De-Go-La Resource Conservation
& Development
To make the Coastal Bend of Texas a better place to live and
work through partnerships.

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