

*De-Go-La Resource
Conservation & Development*



*2006
Annual Report*

**1894 Goliad County Courthouse
Restored**

Front Cover:
1894 Goliad County Courthouse,
Restored Goliad, Goliad County

The town centers around the Goliad County Courthouse, erected in 1894. Goliad's courthouse, along with the 19th and early 20th century structures surrounding it was entered on the National Register of Historic Places in 1976. The second empire style courthouse was designed by noted Texas architect Alfred Giles and was completed in 1894. Limestone was used in the construction and hauled from Austin by oxcart. It was enlarged and restored in 1964 and is a recorded Texas Historic Landmark.

On the north courthouse lawn there is a tree called "The Hanging Tree." At various times between 1846 and 1870, this tree served as the site of court sessions. Death sentences pronounced by the court were carried out immediately with a rope and a strong limb. During the 1857 Cart War, in which Texan freighters perpetrated a series of vicious attacks against Mexican cart drivers along the Indianola-Goliad-San Antonio Road, this site witnessed a number of unauthorized lynchings before the conflict was brought to an end by Texas rangers. Approximately 70 men lost their lives during the conflict, some of them on this tree.

A cyclone, considered one of the two most disastrous in Texas history, struck Goliad on Sunday May 18, 1902. The twister touched down on the southside of the San Antonio River. The storm ripped a mile long, half-mile wide path across the northwest section of the town, destroying over 100 homes and leaving an official death toll of 114. The people were buried in one long trench, for there was no time to dig separate graves or conduct individual funerals. Damage was estimated at about \$25,000. After the disaster, the Goliad County Courthouse served as a temporary hospital and morgue. For decades to come, this was noted as the state's worst tornado catastrophe.

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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 Neil Fritsch and Bill Roberts, new to the board of directors in representation of their counties: Calhoun and Nueces respectively.

2006 Projects completed and on going

Helping Hands of Jackson County-Jackson	3,000.00
Copano Bay SWCD-Earth Science Field Day	1,600.00
City of Taft-San Patricio	1,000.00
Moulton Fire Department Equipment	1,300.00
Ag in the Classroom 2006	2,665.00
Small Business Workshops	15,000.00
Martin Luther King, Jr. Children’s Park	150,000.00

Cuero VFD	160,000.00
Basic Grants Workshop-area wide	3,357.00
Advanced Grants Workshop-area wide	3,600.00
DeWitt Com. Dev. Fd. Strategic Planning-DeWitt	400.00
Affectionate Arms Adult Daycare-Victoria	700.00
Velocity Skate Park-Victoria	700.00
Revolving Loan Fund-area wide	600,000.00
DeWitt SEP DEG008	8,400.00
DeWitt SEP DEG014	1,500.00
Farm & Ranch Management Electronic Resources	17,000.00
Karnes SEP DEG009	7,568.00
Mid Gulf Coast Chapter SWCS Nutrient Mgt.	900.00
Nueces SEP DEG011	8,000.00
Nueces SEP DEG015	70,000.00
Nursery VFD	1,900.00
Pawnee Volunteer Emergency Services	1,000.00
San Patricio SEP DEG004	10,396.00
San Patricio SEP DEG012	2,212.00
Blanconia VFD	1,300.00
Goliad VFD Equipment	1,200.00
Gone Country 4H livestock Equipment	1,300.00
Leadership Forum	3,000.00
Pawnee 4H Livestock Equipment	750.00
Pettuss-Tuleta VFD Communications Equipment	1,400.00
Skidmore VFD	945.00
Victoria College EMS Training	7,000.00
Bee Live Oak Lavaca SEP DEG007	6,000.00
San Patricio SEP DEG003	10,000.00
Private Lands Riparian Habitat Initiative-area wide	<u>14,383.00</u>
Total Amount:	\$1,119,476.00

The silent auction brought in \$306.00!



Speaker Judy McAda, District Director for
Congressman Ruebén Hinjosa.



2006 - 2007 Officers from left to right:
Charles Netardus- Vice Chairman, Marshall Holybee - Chairman,
And Darrell Blaschke - Secretary/Treasurer



Following the Annual Meeting we had a tour of the Restored Goliad County Courthouse!



Financial Report Year Ending September 30, 2006

Revenue

Dues	\$2,645.00
Salary & Operating Grants	17,000.00
Project Grants	47,429.41
SEP	3,032.24
Dry Hydrants	478.09
State Meting	872.92
National Meeting	4,795.94
Grant Workshop	3,000.00
Checks Re-entered	180.45
Misc.	<u>21.25</u>
Total	\$79,455.30

Expenditures

Dues	\$725.00
Consumable Supplies	367.55
Postage	90.23
Director Travel & Meeting	9,898.93
Clerical/Salary	9,607.69
Payroll Taxes	740.20
Internet Service &Website	527.40
Matching Grant Awards	4,500.00
Professional Fees	300.00
Projects	71,047.71
Health Insurance	1,128.60
Misc. (Memorial Bank Charge)	<u>55.88</u>
Total Expenditures	\$98,989.19

Gain/loss	\$(19,533.89)
Fund Bal. October 1, 2005	\$48,624.73
Fund Bal. September 30,2006	\$29,090.84

Assets	
Cash in bank	<u>\$29,090.84</u>
Subtotal current assets	\$29,090.84
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	\$37,856.44
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>29,090.84</u>
Total fund equity	\$37,856.44
Total Liabilities & Fund Equity	\$37,856.44

DeWitt County 002

Revenue	
Interest	<u>\$63.04</u>
Total revenue	63.04
Expenditures	
Ince Engineering, LLC	<u>1,500.00</u>
Total Expenditures	<u>1,500.00</u>
Gain/loss	<u>(1,436.96)</u>
Fund balance October 1,2005	\$5,564.45
Fund balance September 30, 2006	\$4,127.49

San Patricio Account

Revenue	
Texas Assoc. of RC&D's	\$7,395.80
Interest	<u>266.90</u>
Total revenue	\$7,662.70
Expenditures	
Dawson Recycling Inc Disposal	\$3,422.42
Postmaster	4.25
De-Go-La RC&D	3,032.24
Clean Harbors Environmental Servc.	<u>9,584.53</u>
Total expenditures	\$16,043.44
Gain/loss	<u>\$(887.22)</u>
Fund balance October 1, 2005	\$26,261.90
Fund balance September 30, 2006	\$17,881.16

San Patricio County SEP 003

Revenues	
Interest	<u>\$101.81</u>
Total revenue	\$101.81
Expenditures	<u>0.00</u>
Gain/loss	\$101.81
Fund balance October 1, 2005	\$8,988.49
Fund balance September 30, 2006	\$9,090.30

SEP 007 (well plugging)

Revenue	
Interest	<u>\$57.25</u>
Total revenue	\$57.25
Expenditures	<u>0.00</u>
Total expenditures	0.00
Gain/loss	<u>\$57.25</u>
Fund balance October 1, 2005	\$5,054.84
Fund balance September 30, 2006	\$5,112.09

SEP Karnes County 009

Revenue	
Texas RC&D Council	\$7,568.00
Interest	<u>\$30.55</u>
Total Revenue	\$7,598.55
Expenditures	<u>\$0.00</u>
Total Expenditures	<u>\$0.00</u>
Gain/loss	\$7,598.55
Fund _balance October 1, 2005	0.00
Fund balance September 30, 2006	\$7,598.55

SEP Nueces County 011

Revenue	
Texas RC&D Council	\$7,600.00
Interest	<u>\$30.68</u>
Total Revenue	\$7,630.68
Expenditures	<u>\$0.00</u>
Total Expenditures	<u>\$0.00</u>
Gain/loss	\$7,630.68
Fund _balance October 1, 2005	0.00
Fund balance September 30, 2006	\$7,630.68

SEP San Patricio County 012

Revenue	
Texas RC&D Council	\$2,212.00
Interest	<u>0.00</u>
Total Revenue	\$2,212.00
Expenditures	<u>\$0.00</u>
Total Expenditures	<u>\$0.00</u>
Gain/loss	\$2,212.00
Fund _balance October 1, 2005	0.00
Fund balance September 30, 2006	\$2,212.00

Total Worth of SEP Projects

Dewitt County SEP 002	\$ 4,127.49
San Patricio County SEP	17,881.16
San Patricio County SEP 003	9,090.30
SEP 007 (Well Plugging)	5,112.09
SEP Karnes County 009	7,598.55
SEP Neuces County 011	7,730.68
SEP San Patricio County 012	<u>2,212.00</u>
Total	\$53,652.27

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