Gary voters to decide $2 million bond issue

For the first time in 11 years, the Gary Public Schools Board will be asked to fund a $2 million bond proposal to improve existing facilities and pay for a new one.

If passed, the bond money will pay for the first phase of a long-range educational plan for Gary. The plan calls for a new school building on the east side of town to replace the old Goodrich Elementary School. A second phase would be to build a new high school.

If approved, a community bond drive will be launched in two weeks. A bond issue would raise $2 million for the first phase of the plan, providing four elementary schools, a middle school and a new high school.

"What do we do in the future without a bond issue?" said Dr. Leonard Weis, superintendent of the Gary School System.

Many of the voters have had to pay for a bond issue, but Dr. Weis said the school board is not going to ask for a bond issue again for the next 12 years.

The vote will be held on March 5 in conjunction with the school board's regular election.

Blood drives scheduled in 3 locations this month

Pamela County cowboys riding on top of the world - again

April marks Child Abuse Prevention Month

Daylight Saving Time begins Sunday morning
Hardened transits Suez Canal during six-month deployment

Last Monday I was in Suez and during the whole time, I was there, it was a very difficult and dangerous situation. The enemy was very strong and there was a lot of fighting going on. The situation was very tense and we had to be very careful.

Shriners to hold spring blood drive

The Shriners Spring Blood Drive will be held on April 15 and 16 at the Shriners Hospital in downtown Dallas. The drive will be open to all donors, regardless of age or health status. The drive will run from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. on both days. A blood donation van will be set up at the Shriners Hospital, and interested donors can contact the hospital for more information.

MARKET REPORT

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Church sale set

First Christian Church of Colbert will have a church sale on Saturday, April 8. The sale will feature a variety of items, including clothes, household goods, and electronics. The proceeds from the sale will be used to support the church's mission and outreach programs.

A & M Mother's Club meeting set

The A & M Mother's Club will hold its next meeting on April 10. The meeting will be held at 7 p.m. at the club's headquarters. The meeting will feature a guest speaker and a social hour.

SPRING CLEANING EVERYTHING ON SALE

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DeBerry school reunion scheduled

The DeBerry High School Class of 1960 will be holding its 50th reunion on June 10. The reunion will be held at the DeBerry High School Alumni Hall. For more information, contact the class reunion committee at 555-5555.
Reed wins back-to-back in 16-4A

Dawgs' juggernaut smashes Gilmer, 13-2

Postponed

16-AAAA baseball standings

Dawgs shoot school mark

16-AAAAA softball standings

Lady Lions hurt
Carthage chances

Panola postponed

Carthage Junior High boys Western Week
Ponies gain ground despite only a split.

Ponies, Cedar Valley split

These Cedar Valley boys continued to hold Paniola to two runs in the opening game of a doubleheader for Tuesday TEAC standings.

Ponies coach Don Coleman congratulates Mark Mancini on a home run in recent action. The P's are at Texarkana Sunday.

TEAC standings

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Commentary from Coleman, who watched the game, expressed the advice for a split and a win.

"This was a great game and we played well," Coleman said. "We have a couple of games this week and we're going to need to win them both to stay in the race.

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“There was an old woman who lived in a shoe ... She had so many children, she didn’t know what to do...”

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APRIL IS CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH

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State, national facts on child abuse

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April is child abuse prevention month

In Texas, it is National Child Abuse Prevention Awareness Month. The purpose of the month is to raise awareness of child abuse and neglect and to encourage people to take action to protect children. Children are our most precious resource, and protecting them is our responsibility.

Children need love and care. They need a safe and secure environment in which to grow and develop. Child abuse and neglect can have serious and lasting effects on children, including physical and emotional harm, developmental delays, and behavioral problems.

In 1996, the Texas Department of Family and Protective Services reported receiving over 91,700 reports of child abuse and neglect. About 41,000 children were found to be confirmed victims of child abuse and neglect in Texas in fiscal year 1997.

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101 ways to praise a child

Computers and child abuse

Although some parents may believe that computers are a safe way for their children to access the internet, it is still possible for children to access inappropriate content online. Parents should be aware of the risks and take steps to protect their children. They can monitor their children's computer use and set filters to block inappropriate content.

Teach your children love and respect, not fear. Abuse hurts... Love is the Greatest Healer!

Sanda, W Tire Service

Don't take their childhood away. Abuse hurts... take time out!
When your baby won't stop crying

All babies cry. What do you do when your baby cries, especially at night? Babies need sleep and crying often signals that they are...
Never shake a baby

Did You Know:

- Crying is the baby's way of communicating. Shaking a baby can cause serious injury or death.
- Throwing a baby against a hard surface can cause the baby's head to press against the surface, resulting in brain damage or death.
- Shaking a baby can cause retinal hemorrhages, a condition that can lead to blindness.
- Shaking a baby can cause subdural hemorrhages, a life-threatening condition that can cause death.
- Shaking a baby can cause spinal cord injuries, a condition that can result in paraplegia or quadriplegia.
- Shaking a baby can cause brain injuries, a condition that can result in cognitive impairment or learning disabilities.

If you suspect that a baby has been shaken, call 911 immediately.

Teach Your Child To Avoid Strangers

While witches, giants, and monsters exist only in fairy tales, the world is filled with many real people that your child needs to be aware of. And because a "stranger" may be a "wolf in sheep's clothing," it is a good idea to establish a "code word" that is known only by you, your child, or your child's caregiver. If a person does not know the code word, then your child is a "stranger" that your child should avoid. It's a simple solution that can help your child live happy ever after.

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There are abuse prevention resources

Participate in a local Blue Ribbon Campaign

Dealing with anger

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Here are safety tips for parents

Put yourself in your kid's shoes

You are considering putting your child in a registered family home or licensed child-care center. We have some advice for you to help make the best decision possible for your child. Voting is an important part of the decision-making process. The problem is, you are not sure what you should look for and what to consider. Here are some questions to consider:

1. What is the ratio of children to staff? Is the group small or large?
2. Staff turnover—long-term or frequent?
3. The extent of compliance to the Minimum Standards-compliance with minimum health and safety standards is important.

People

As the child's caregiver, you are in a unique position to shape the child's future. Your values and beliefs will influence your child's development. Your actions and decisions will shape your child's character.

Reflection

Are you ready for the challenges that come with being a caregiver? Are you prepared to make the necessary sacrifices? Are you willing to put your child's needs above your own? Are you willing to be patient and understanding?

God Gave All Children To Us As A Most Precious Gift To Nurture And Care For: ARE WE LETTING GOD DOWN?

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THERE IS NO ROOM FOR HURT.

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Helping kids behave when shopping

Parent's attitude makes a difference with teens

Help them to succeed in school

Child abuse leaves physical and emotional scars. Hurting a child this way can break bones, break hearts and take away lives.

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Helping kids behave when shopping

Before you go... Check to see if you child is hungry or thirsty. If so, bring something to eat or drink. You might also bring a snack or a toy to keep your child busy.

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When your child behaves well, make shopping a fun experience. You might let your child choose a special treat or toy that he or she wants. This will motivate your child to behave well.

If your child misbehaves, keep a calm tone. Remember, your child needs your guidance and support.

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Today, many children live in a great distance from their grandparents and extended families and are deprived of daily, on-the-ground interaction with older adults. Very young children can also benefit from a consistent presence of older people in their lives.

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2. Host a "Grandparent's Night Out" at a local park or community center
3. Create a "Grandparent's Corner" in the classroom
4. Encourage grandparents to volunteer at schools or community centers
5. Offer a "Grandparent's Book Club" for older adults
6. Suggest "Grandparent's Week" at local libraries
7. Organize a "Grandparent's Garden Party" at a retirement community
8. Encourage grandparents to take young children on trips or special outings
9. Create a "Grandparent's Art Project" at local elementary schools
10. Host a "Grandparent's Talent Show" at a community center.
When children misbehave, let them know that you dislike what they did and NOT who they are. Protect our most precious resource. Children are our future... keep our future safe.

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