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If you are considering moving your business or family to George – please contact the George Community Economic Development Corporation for assistance. We have a wonderful community waiting to welcome you. The cost of living in George is reasonable, the school system is excellent, and there are many job opportunities available!

George has a strong manufacturing community with a combined work force of over 300. You'll find the workforce in the George area is dedicated and reliable. Opportunities exist for your new or existing business as there are several buildings on Main Street waiting to offer new business opportunities to the community. Locker Park, a 22 acre Industrial/Commercial Park located on the north edge of George presents an excellent opportunity for new business development. For information on any of these possibilities, you may contact the George Economic Development Corporation at 712-475-2825 and speak to Judd Reifers who can assist you in locating in George.

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George Community Economic Development Corporation

The George Community Economic Development Corporation (GCED) is very active in promoting business growth in our community. There is an initiation membership fee of \$100, followed with a yearly fee of \$50. The membership fees are used to support a variety of activities that promote business and community development. This organization is governed by a Board of Directors who meets monthly to keep abreast of current issues. The board would like to thank you for your support and are working hard to serve the community. This newsletter highlights many of the programs and projects GCED has been successfully promoting to improve the economic climate in George.

2010 Year Review

Locker Park

Locker Park welcomes everyone entering George from the north. This Industrial/Commercial Park currently houses two businesses along with a 40'x60' spec building waiting for a tenant to form a new business in George. Many lots are available for new development.

The park also offers a pond with a water fountain feature as well as renovated historical light poles lighting this area at night. Fish have been planted in the pond where a "catch and release" policy provides much entertainment for those waiting for a nibble.

The recreational trail encircles the pond and leads to the north portion of the park where the 3.97 mile trail loops around the community. Many enjoyable hours can be spent in this area of George.

Sunset Addition

The George Economic Development Corporation continues to encourage

development of new houses in the Sunset Addition on the west side of George. If you are considering building a new home, here is an offer you will want to consider.

Currently, seven lots are being reduced to 60% of the current asking price with 10% rebate when the house is completed. Each lot will have a cash price available at approximately 55%. The Development Corp will finance lots at 50% down. Individuals who finance a lot may have up to five years to retire the balance. The interest rate is determined by the retirement schedule. These lots are ready for development which means that curb/gutter, water, sewer, gas and electricity are already in place. All you need to do is to connect to them. **This is a limited time offer.** We are happy to welcome three new houses that will be constructed in 2011 adding to this beautiful housing area. This allows the opening of Maple Street with construction beginning as soon as weather conditions allow.

If you are interested, you may call Tim DeBruin at Otter Valley Real Estate or speak to one of the board members – Jerry Nichols, Judd Reifers, Jeff Schrick or Craig Madsen. You can call the city office at 475-3612 for more details.

New Businesses-

We are happy to welcome the **George Fitness Center** that is located in the basement of the Sanford Clinic at 101 North Main Street in down town George. Membership allows interested personnel 24 hour access for use on up-to-date fitness equipment. You may inquire about this facility by visiting with Angie McConnell at the Hair Hut, 105 S Main Street, 712-475-3375.

Business Improvements-

Mustang Plumbing and Heating has located at 101 S Main Street. All your plumbing and heating needs can be found here. Just call Brandon Kruse at 712-475-2661.

Community Improvements Completed and Scheduled for Summer of 2011

Along with the George Community Economic Development Corporation, City officials continue to update community projects to offer a better quality of life for the citizens. Some of the improvements are:

- The citizens of George saw a need for a new swimming pool. Construction began in the fall of 2010 and plans are for the grand opening being held Memorial Weekend, 2011. Come and enjoy the new and updated facility for a great family event.
- The George Betterment Club is constructing a Basketball Court/Ice Skating Rink just southeast of the new swimming pool. Shoot hoops in the spring, summer and fall and then enjoy ice skating in the winter months. Many hours of recreation can be spent on this newly constructed facility.
- Three new bridges will be constructed replacing the nearly 50 year old

bridges over the Rio Grande Creek that runs through George.

- In 2011, Dakota Avenue will have a new surface constructed. And since the construction crew will be working on this main road, other streets throughout town will also get a new face lift.
- A new addition to the George Bicentennial Museum is being constructed directly north of the current museum. The history of George and the area are well preserved in this fine facility.
- The George Public Library has become automated through the hard work of the librarians and volunteers. All the documents are now automatically recorded and registered.

A parking

lot will be constructed just south of the pond at Locker Park providing a safe area for loading and unloading of bicycles for trail use.

The Flower Box is expanding for office space.

Hope Haven Residential Housing is being developed.