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June 30-July 6 Designated Texas Safe Boating Week

Governor Dolph Briscoe has proclaimed the week of June 30 through July 6 Safe Boating Week in Texas.

The Texas Safety Association, along with boating groups across the state, urged Texans to pay special attention to boating safety during the July Fourth holiday when water traffic is always heavy.

The official proclamation pointed out that there are now 432,568 boats registered in Texas. "This increase in recreational craft greatly intensifies the water safety problem," reads the proclamation. "It is imperative that all boatmen observe the basic rules of boating safety if we are going to keep the loss of life and property at a minimum."

Rhonda Schilling Graduate At Sam Houston

At least half of the recreational drowning victims in the United States last year never intended going into the water in the first place. Either they were involved in a boat sinking or they were tripped or fell into the water. Most of these "surprise victims" were not wearing a flotation device, and none was handy.

Keeping personal flotation devices handy not only makes good sense safety-wise, but Texas law requires that on

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24 YEARS AGO Let's Look Back

(Friday, May 10, 1950)

A crowd of one thousand is expected tomorrow for the Eagle Lake High School Homecoming which will be the first gathering of exes since the year 1927. Ben H. McMillen, Chairman of the Trade Development Committee of the Chamber of Commerce, has announced that the Buy At Home Program has been postponed for one week due to the time needed by printers in preparing some seven hundred and twenty cards which will be distributed throughout Eagle Lake. The current rose last Friday night on a stage crowded with the 61 members of the Eagle Lake High School Band playing their annual concert. Following the playing of the National Anthem, Band Director Hale dedicated this year's concert to Sgt. W. C. Reed, who will retire at the end of the month after 25 years as superintendent of Eagle Lake schools.

and all around town with the 150 participating cowboys who are here for the big show tonight and tomorrow at 2:00 p.m. Members of the Baptist Church honored Mrs. Leanne Pappas with a microphone show Monday night, May 6th, at the home of Mrs. M. W. Pape. Mrs. C. E. Everett, Sr., was hostess at a coffee party morning at the second in a series of coffee parties given by members of the Garden Club for the Community Center fund. A picture was shown in last Sunday's Houston Chronicle magazine section of Mrs. Rose Lange, local teacher, practicing what Dr. Earl B. Miller teaches in his audio-visual education classes at the University of Houston. Remember children and dads, Mother's Day is only two days away. Eagle Lake has no more white fire trucks. The Ford has been painted by the Universal Motor Company and is now a bright red truck. A fee will be given by the Study Club honoring the incoming president, Mrs. J. G. Jenkins, on Wed., May 17. We'd heard about "shoddy pie," but we'd never heard of a shoddy railroad track until Tuesday when N.H. Whitby, local S. P. agent, heard that the S. P. was building a new track.

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Mrs. Bob Griffith Entertains At Rotary Banquet



Outstanding entertainment was presented to members of the Rotary Club and guests at the ladies night installation June 19th by Mrs. Bob (Denise Miller) Griffith of Waco, shown at right. Mrs. Griffith presented a number of vocal renditions ranging from operas to folk tunes to the delight of her audience. Accompanying her were: Mr. Griffith and Miss Lydia McCall.

Rotary Hears Outstanding Musical Program At Banquet

Eagle Lake Rotarians, Rotarians and guests enjoyed a most delightful musical program at their installation of officers banquet held in the Eagle Lake Community Center on Tuesday evening, June 18th.

Mrs. Bob Griffith of Waco, the former Denise Miller, a graduate student at Baylor University, sang for the evening and presented a number of selections ranging from opera to folk songs in a very enjoyable concert. Mrs. Griffith was accompanied by Miss Lydia McCall, also a student at Baylor, at the piano, and Mr. Griffith at the guitar. All agreed that the program was one of the finest ever heard here.

During the evening the 1974-75 officers for the Rotary Club were officially installed. Gerald Bradshaw accepted the position of president; Tommy Pilkington will be vice-president; Henry Bruns, secretary; and Lloyd Spallinger, treasurer. Directors will include Oscar Miller, Earl Rodgers, Jim Stansel, George Welch, and past president Frank Sherr.

Mr. Sherr extended thanks to his 1973-74 officers and to the members for their cooperation in making the past year a success. He presented the symbol, to Mr. Bradshaw.

T. J. Smith, master of ceremonies for the program, presented Mr. Sherr with the past president's pin.

In accepting the new position, Mr. Bradshaw asked for continued cooperation of all members in "making Rotary the paramount issue in the club for 1974-75."

In introducing the new officers, Mr. Smith extended thanks to project chairmen for their good work during the year emphasizing that "a club that works together, stays together."

He also presented perfect attendance pins to Albert Puslevsky for 35 years of perfect attendance; Mr. Smith has 10 years; Helmer Seasholtz; Lloyd Spallinger; Louis Balas; and Gardner Duncan and Robert Griffith one year.

Fred R. Franks was named as Rotarian of the Year for 1973-74 for his work in support of many community projects and activities. He received a handsome plaque from the club, presented by Mr. Smith.

Helmer Seasholtz led in the Pledge to the Flag and the Pledge to the Rotary. After words of welcome by Mr. Smith, the guests enjoyed a delicious menu of roast beef and the trimmings, topped off with apple kolaches served by Mrs. George Andel and her staff.

Mrs. Griffith led the group in the closing song and the Rev. George Welch gave the final benediction.

Mrs. Sherr and Mrs. Puslevsky were in charge of the pretty decorations for the event.

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CPL Fuel Costs Hike July Bills

Fuel costs for producing electric energy are up again this month, according to Clayton Kirk, Central Power and Light Company district manager in Bay City.

Kirk said this week that fuel costs will increase another 19.01 cents per million BTUs for July electric bills. Costs of fuel on June electric bills were 74.00 cents per million BTUs. The costs for July electric bills will be 93.01 cents per million BTUs when the bills start going out June 26. The 93.01 cents figure is an average of all fuels used by CPL in May.

With the current fuel costs of 93.01 cents, a customer using 1,000 kilowatt hours of electricity will pay a fuel adjustment of \$9.30 on a bill of \$25.43. This is \$2.53 more than in June.

The higher fuel costs are passed along by CPL to customers from the fuel suppliers.

Kirk said the increased costs of fuel was due to a 65 percent curtailment in natural gas supplies from La-Vaca Gathering Company during May. The curtailment forced CPL to burn 250,000 barrels of oil in its power plants to produce electricity, according to South Texas. Spot purchased oil costs more than \$2.50 per million BTUs compared to as high as \$1.40 for natural gas. La-Vaca has a contract to supply more than 75 percent of CPL's energy needs.

"One bright spot in CPL's energy picture is that the company's power plants have operated, entirely on natural gas for the past two weeks," said Kirk. "This gas will lower the fuel costs on August bills substantially if it continues."

Added Kirk, "Add extra, rest and nutrition to fruit salads with sherbet, pork or cottage cheese."

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