

Merry Christmas and a joyous New Year

is sent your way from
The Postell Family



We could think of no finer way to express our sentiments than by announcing the re-opening of the Eagle Lake Assembly of God Church located on the corner of McCarty and Church Street. Services have already begun and are held each Sunday at 9:45 for Sunday School followed by the morning worship services at 11:00. The Sunday evening services start at 7:00.

We hope that with the oncoming year we can share in making this community one of the best around. We are looking forward to meeting more of the fine folk here and we open our doors in welcoming you. May God richly bless you and yours for the New Year.

Pastor Don Postell & Doris
Shelly, Amy, Jason

Club Montezuma New Year's Eve Dance Dec. 31st

Members of Club Montezuma and guests are invited to make plans to attend the gala New Year's Eve Dance and Party at the Community Center on Monday, Dec. 31st. Dancing will be from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. featuring the music of Country Unlimited.

Party favors and set-up will be included in the

admission. Members are encouraged to bring guests to the gala social event of the club year.

New Year's Eve Dance at Nada Hall

The Nada K.J.T. Hall will hold a gala New Year's Eve Dance on Monday, Dec. 31st, featuring the music of Country Unlimited. Dancing will begin at 8:30 p.m. No advance reservations will be taken for the event, so come early, says the hall manager.

Firemen 100% At Practice Sessions



The six Eagle Lake volunteer firemen shown above had perfect attendance at the 24 practice drills held in 1979 and received the maximum bonus check of \$72 each from the City of Eagle Lake, represented by Mayor Elmer Struss and Mayor Pro-Tem Alvin Kohlfeldt at the firemen's ladies night banquet and ball in the Community Center Saturday night. They are, left to right, Mickey Kochwep, Gene Jones, Pete Canaris, Gary Glaiser, Roland Harbers and Thurston Webb. Glaiser also led Eagle Lake firemen in attending fire alarms in 1979 by reporting to 61 of the 71 fires during the year. Webb went to 57 alarms. Canaris to 54, Harbers to 47 and Kochwep to 46 to rank as the busiest firemen for the year.

Firemen Host Annual Christmas Party

Eagle Lake Volunteer Firemen drew high praise for their outstanding service during the past year at the annual Eagle Lake Volunteer Fire Department's Ladies Night Christmas Party and Dance in the Community Center last Saturday night. Over two hundred persons were on hand for the event, including the firemen, their ladies, guests, and a number of other special guests.

Among the special guests for the occasion were former chiefs of the department, honorary and life members and their wives. Fire Chief L. J. (Sonny) Spanhel served as master of ceremonies and called the assembly to order and extended a welcome to all, especially to the ladies of the firemen. After the invocation by the department chaplain, T. J. Smith, a delicious roast beef dinner was served by Mrs. Frank Broesche and staff, buffet style.

Officers Introduced
After the banquet, Chief Spanhel introduced the 1979 officers who served so well during the past year; and also introduced the 1980 officers who will be: Spanhel, re-elected fire chief; T. J. Smith, re-elected first assistant chief; Mickey Kochwep, re-elected second assistant chief; Ronnie Miller, mayor and training coordinator; Melvin Stanick, re-elected secretary; Pete Canaris, re-elected treasurer. Gary Glaiser will continue to be captain and Chuck Stephens, lieutenant, in Co. 1; Thurston Webb, captain, and Clark Powers, lieutenant, in Co. 2; Gene Jones, captain, and Johnny Przek, lieutenant, in Co. 3; Darrell Gertson and Johnny Przek are racing team captains; Shane Glaiser is the new mascot succeeding Darrell Stanick. Serving on the pension board will be Monroe Briscoe, Johnny Przek and Clark Powers; Bobby Joe Marasalis will be sergeant at arms; Clark Powers, chaplain; and the membership committee will include: Ed Sunderman, Chuck Stephens and Gary W. Grant.

The fire chief paid special tribute to Major Ronnie Miller for the excellent job which he did during the past year in coordinating the department's training program so that firemen were able to function even more efficiently than ever before.

Assistant Chief Smith reported on activities of the department and individual performances of the firemen during the past year, as reported in another article in this issue.

More Firemen Needed
Chief Spanhel extended an invitation to more young men of the community to join the department. "I'm proud of our department," said the

Auxiliary Presents Gift



Mrs. Chuck (Donna) Stephens, president of the Fire Department's Ladies Auxiliary, is shown presenting a check for \$100 from the Auxiliary to the department, received by Fire Chief L. J. (Sonny) Spanhel at the department's Christmas banquet and dance Saturday night.

Chief. He also noted that the department purchased a new 750 gallon per minute pumper delivered in August by Simms Fire Equipment Co. and also the department added a 4-wheel drive portable fire truck designed for rural fire fighting. Most of the work on this unit was volunteered by the firemen and the chief paid tribute to Mr. and Mrs. Paul Treks of Paul's Electrical Service for their contributions to this project.

"Our firemen are continually trying to add equipment and knowledge with which to better protect the homes and lives of citizens in our community," said Chief Spanhel. He also recognized donors of beef for the annual

Mrs. Wilfred Loedcke.

Thanks were also extended to the Headlight and editor Fred R. Penka for his cooperation and news coverage during the year.

Tribute was also paid by the chief to the Eagle Lake Ambulance Corps, represented by Mr. and Mrs. Joe Herbert McCreary, for their outstanding work during the past year.

Auxiliary Presents Gift
Mrs. Chuck (Donna) Stephens, president of the Eagle Lake Firemen's Auxiliary, extended thanks in behalf of ladies present for invitations to this outstanding event. She introduced 1979 officers including: Betsy Glaiser, secretary; Doris Briscoe, treasurer; Barbara Rucka, historian; Julie Lohpries, reporter; Jonie Mae Muny, historian; and Edna Hollas, chaplain.

The new mascot for the Ladies' Auxiliary, "Miss Sparkle" in 1980 will be little Miss Krista Miller, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Miller. She was presented a mascot's pin by Mrs. Stephens. Krista will succeed Miss Rhonda Przek who has been mascot for the year of 1979.

The members of the

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We wish to friends and neighbors all the joy and warmth of this traditional holiday.
Jerry Mikesko
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Holy Holiday
Let us give thanks for the wonderful Gift of Christmas.

In the true spirit of the season, we wish a world filled with love and eternal peace.

Garwood Rice Sales Co.
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Garwood, Texas



Santa says and we do too: "Wishing the merriest to all of you!"
Colorado County Sheriff and Mrs. George (Doc) Mueller

Firemen's Party
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Auxiliary presented a gift of \$100 to the fire department, for use in purchasing new equipment as needed. Chief Spanhel extended thanks to their support and contribution.

Mayor Presents Checks
Mayor Elmer Struss spoke briefly acknowledging the outstanding work done in this community by the firemen and auxiliary members and he asked all present to give a round of applause to these individuals for their years of dedicated service and "endeavors in behalf of the citizens of Eagle Lake and surrounding communities."

He presented checks on the basis of \$3.00 for each of the two-month practice sessions attended by the firemen, as a gesture of appreciation from the City of Eagle Lake and all citizens of the area. He was assisted in distributing the checks by Mayor Pro-Tem Alvin W. Kohlfeldt.

Special recognition was given to six firemen who attended all 24 of the sessions. Pete Canaris, Gary Glaiser, Roland Harbers, Gene Jones, Mickey Kochwep and Thurston Webb.

Monroe Briscoe and Buddy Mascheck attended 23 each; Wilfred Loedcke, Ronnie Miller, L. J. Spanhel and Wilfred Wick, 22 each; John Baca and Chuck Stephens 21 each; Edward Sunderman, 19; Johnny Przek, 18; Rucka and Melvin Stanick, 15.

Also, Darius Briscoe and T. J. Smith 17; Darrell Gertson and Edward Harborth 16; Allen Kohlfeldt, Bobby Joe Marasalis and Clark Powers 14; David Baird 12; Red Schuenemann 8; Bennie Miller 7; Gary Grant and Dennis Wilkerson 6; and Tim Loedcke 2.

Dance Follows
Immediately following the program, the firemen and guests enjoyed dancing to the music of Jay Jurecka and his orchestra.

The spirit of Christmas was evident by the large and beautifully decorated tree at

SEASON'S GREETINGS
Have a bright and happy holiday!
Hudson Hardware
The Bob Hudsons
EAGLE LAKE

Holiday Cheer
Selected especially for you from
Santa: a sleighful of hearty best wishes and jolly good cheer!

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Garwood

Many Visit With Santa Claus Here Last Sat.

Visit With Santa Claus Here

Almost seven hundred youngsters and parents were on hand for the annual visit of Santa Claus to this community last Saturday, Dec. 15th, under the sponsorship of the Eagle Lake Chamber of Commerce. Hundreds lined the west side of Commerce Street on the city square for the arrival of Santa Claus in the Wintermann Company helicopter, piloted by D. A. Thornton. The helicopter landed on Commerce Street in front of the First National Bank and Jo Ann's department store and Santa was greeted upon arrival by Leah Schorlemmer, president of the chamber of commerce.

Santa was then escorted to the foyer of the Municipal Building, where he visited with each of the children and passed out bags of goodies, with the assistance of chamber of commerce members and volunteer firemen and others.

Eagle Lake Cub Scout Dens No. 1 and 2 and other Cub Scouts assisted the chamber of commerce in passing out bags of goodies to the children at the Municipal Building from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. Santa was accompanied by firemen to the Eagle Lake Community Hospital and the Heritage House to visit with patients and residents in those two institutions.

Schorlemmer extended thanks in behalf of the chamber of commerce to local police officers, firemen, city council members, and chamber of commerce members and other individuals who assisted in the arrival of Santa and while visiting with the children. Also special thanks were extended to the Cub Scouts for their assistance in passing out the bags; to Wintermann Company for use of the helicopter and to pilot Dan Thornton; and also to Santa Claus for taking time out of his busy schedule to come to Eagle Lake for this annual visit.

Let's Look Back 48 YEARS AGO
(Dec. 26, 1931)
Christmas trees at four churches in Eagle Lake tonight. Christmas program is given at Christian Church Wednesday night, with four trees on schedule for Christmas Eve. . . Local lady watches burglar use tiny flashlight in room. Burglar stands at head of bed and flashes light on pillows occupied by Mrs. Elsie Todd and little daughter. . . Large audience enjoys school drama.

These three youngsters were among the nearly seven hundred to visit with Santa Claus on his annual visit to the community under the sponsorship of the Eagle Lake Chamber of Commerce last Saturday afternoon. At the top, Richard Thomas, son of Beverly Thomas, expresses pleasure in revealing his list of "wants" to Santa; in the center, Jennifer Cain was a big presence in recollecting all the things she wants for Christmas (she is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Cain) and at the bottom is Alvin Christopher Milligan, son of Alvin and Dolores Milligan and grandson of Mrs. Seretha Milligan of this city.

one end of the hall and other decorations in the center. Pretty table decorations of miniature trees, made of piece goods, added to the table decor.

Merry Christmas
May health, happiness and success be abundantly yours and may good friends always surround you.

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Will Close at 2:00 P.M.

Dec. 24 - Christmas Eve

and

Dec. 31 - New Year's Eve

We will also be closed all day

Dec. 25 - Christmas Day

and

Jan. 1 - New Year's Day

We wish all our patrons a

Very Merry Christmas

and a

Happy New Year

Bob and Mary Jane Schobel

Andy and Donna Schobel



Christmas Gifts, Stocking Stuffers

[By Donella R. Pantel
County Extension Agent]
Accessories, fabrics, notions and sewing tools make great Christmas gifts or stocking stuffers.

Belts are a fashion must this fall and range from wide to skinny.

With emphasis on the leg, choose opaque or textured hosiery in fashion colors or skin tones if unsure of colors.

Your list is a bit daring: select knitted leggings to team with a warm winter.

Jewelry is always a popular gift. Choose jeweled pins, clips or brooches, bead necklaces or pearl chokers and ropes. Or, select big geometric earrings and bold colored bangle bracelets.

Hair ornaments are fun and include feathers, combs, jeweled or plain picks, clips and bows.

Fabrics, Notions, Tools
For the homesever on your list, give yardage of fabric teamed with notions and a pattern.

Other appreciated items include a cutting board, scissors, shears, pinking shears, thread clippers, a needle board, a sewing organizer caddy, fashion or French rulers, a wall thread holder, a steam iron and/or iron cover to prevent shine when pressing, and pressing ham, rollers or boards.

Stocking Stuffers
For stocking stuffers,

No Garbage Pickup In City Tues.

The City of Eagle Lake's sanitation department will

choose an assortment of thread, needles, elastic, zippers, buttons, buckles and hem, bias or twill tape.

Also, a small sewing kit is handy for travelers.

not pick up garbage next Tues., Dec. 25th, Christmas Day. Tuesday's route for the next two weeks will be run on Wednesdays in order that employees may enjoy the Christmas and New Year's Day holidays.

The city offices will be open Mon., Dec. 24th, Christmas Eve, with a skeleton staff only.

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A JOYOUS CHRISTMAS!

Spinning our wheels to wish you a happy holiday. Drive carefully for a safe holiday.

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SEASON'S GREETINGS

For the first time on that holy night the world was filled with peace and good will. May the gentle joys of this blessed season be with you and your family this Christmas and always.

SPANIEL & SON
Charlene and Henry and Family
Bertha and Baby
EAGLE LAKE
Mary Ann Adams
Beth Ann Adams

Have a very merry merry Christmas!

Happiness is the warmth of home, of friendships, and love. May you find each in abundance.

THE BEAUTY BOX
CHARLENE
THE RICE PACKAGE STORE
ANNE - KOLEY - LUCILLE
EAGLE LAKE