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Thanksgiving Thoughts By ELPS 3rd Graders

[Here are some short stories on the Thanksgiving Season by Mrs. Glenda Eberhart's third graders at Eagle Lake Primary School].

Thanksgiving means love and honor, to believe in God and have a good friendship. I also like to have a good time by eating good food. I like dressing and that stuff. It feels good to have friendship inside of you. You can play outside or visit your Grandma and Grandpa.-Tammie Lamacus.

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On Thanksgiving we go to my Grandmother's and eat turkey and ham. Which we get through eating we go deer hunting. When we come back from deer hunting we like to sit around and talk. When we go home, we like to eat popcorn and drink Coke.-Brian Center.

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Thanksgiving means Americans sharing things with each other. It reminds me of when the Pilgrims sailed in the Mayflower. We have feasts together, too. If the Pilgrims didn't come to America, there wouldn't be Thanksgiving today. The Indians made friends with the thankful Pilgrims. The Pilgrims made a plan to kill the turkey gobbler. The turkey was very old and if he didn't die, he had to be killed. Well, it was that time. The Indian chief wanted a boy to kill the turkey and he did. The turkey made a good Thanksgiving dinner.-Anita Dancy.

Agricultural Observations

From
TEXAS A&M RESEARCH SITE
EAGLE LAKE

Date Nov	Air Temp Max	Air Temp Min	2/ Soil Temp Max	Soil Temp Min	Evap (ins)	Rain (ins)
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Skies cleared over the Coastal Plains Tuesday and cold high pressure will dominate through the latter half of the week. No rain is in sight for several days now. Temperatures will warm somewhat, but nights will remain chilly.

For all of the Coastal Plains...any field work delays caused by rain will be slow to end as cool temperatures limit drying. Soybean harvesting will be slow in the Rice Belt area. Winter grains should improve where rains fell and cool temperatures are now the rule. If the ground is soft, cattlemen may want to keep herds off winter pastures to avoid damage to stands.

Do NOT Dump Ashes In Garbage

Eagle Lake City Manager Bob Kockman warns local citizens about dumping ashes from fireplaces, barbecue pits, etc. into the garbage that is to be picked up by the city's sanitation department.

Oftentimes what appears to be completely dead ashes will have sparks inside the mass of ashes which can burst into flames causing heavy damage.

Last week such an incident occurred when a spark from ashes ignited garbage collected in a city truck. Fortunately the fire was extinguished before extensive damage [illegible] protection of city equipment, the city manager urges that you do not place ashes of any kind into the garbage collection. He added that it is the responsibility of the homeowner or business owner to dispose of the ashes safely.

24 YEARS AGO
LET'S LOOK BACK

[Aug. 9, 1956]

Colorado County was designated for drought disaster relief by the U. S. Department of Agriculture. . . Alvin Howard Fuller, 23, was hospitalized with a broken leg received when his car collided with a bridge. . . 1500 people attended the Colorado River bridge dedication and barbecue. . . Kirk Elliott, night patrolman for the Eagle Lake Police Department, resigned from his position to accept another position. Hired in his place was Alvin Hoskins of Smithville. . . Jimmy Dankleft, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Dankleft of Garwood, escaped serious injury when he was thrown from a horse. He received a broken arm and numerous bruises. . . Mr. and Mrs. Joe Craft of Richmond and formerly of Eagle Lake would like to announce the arrival of twin daughters born Monday, Aug. 6 at the Polly Ryan Hospital. They have been named Malinda Kay and Belinda Fay. . . W. K. Lehrer of Garwood was elected delegate to the State Convention in Corpus Christi. . . Mr. and Mrs. Joe Frybert Jr. are proud to announce the arrival of a son, Joe Stephen, born at the Laughlin Hospital. . . Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth E. Bruns of Columbus would like to announce the arrival of a son born July 26. Kenneth David was born at the Youens Hospital in Weimar.

Pre-Construction Meet For Highway 71 Widening Project

A pre-construction meeting was held at 10:00 A.M. on Wednesday, November 12, at the State Department of Highways and Public Transportation office in Columbus to outline construction plans for a project recently awarded to L-W-B Construction Company, Inc. and Acme Bridge Company, Inc. The Conroe, Texas firm was low bidder at $835,423.54 for widening the roadway to provide two twelve-foot travel lanes with eight-foot surfaced shoulders. The existing Skull Creek and Skull Creek Relief Bridges will also be widened to provide a 40-foot clear roadway width [illegible] tends from the U.S. 90A S.H. 71 intersection at Altair to just south of the Skull Creek Relief Bridge. The contractor has been allotted 150 working days to complete the prescribed work.

Clyde E. Schulz, Wharton County resident engineer, in charge of construction, stated, "Traffic volume on this section of State Highway 71 is increasing due in part to gravel truck hauling from local commercial gravel pits. Work on this road is necessary for strengthening the base course so that further deterioration of the roadbed can be prevented. Widening the two bridges will provide a safer facility for the traveling public. The proposed sequence of work for handling traffic during construction should insure a minimum of delay and inconvenience."

The contractor is expected to begin work on this project in mid November.

Open House At WCJC Fri., Nov. 21

An "Open House" has been scheduled Friday, November 21 from 6-8 p.m. at Wharton County Junior College in Wharton as another feature of Texas Community College Week to be observed November 16-22.

Everyone in the WCJC community service area is invited to visit different departments on campus according to Dr. Verlene Cabaniss, dean of college and student services.

WCJC open house is an excellent time for area high school students to see the campus and its modern facilities for higher education.

Counselors will be on duty in the Pioneer Student Center to answer questions from prospective students and to discuss admission requirements.

Rice CISD School Lunch Menus

Thurs., Nov. 20: Pigs in Blanket, Sauerkraut, Green Beans, Brownies.

Fri., Nov. 21: Frito Pie, Pinto Beans, Finger Salad, Pineapple Cake, Corn Bread.

Mon., Nov. 24: Meat/Spaghetti, Baked Squash, Pear Halves, Carrot Cake, Garlic Bread.

Tues., Nov. 25: Roast Beef, Mashed Potatoes/Gravy, Buttered Spinach, Chocolate/-Peanut Butter Squares, Hot Rolls.

Wed., Nov. 26: Cheese Burger, Tator Tots/Catsup, Cheese Burger Salad, Strawberry Jello, Bonnie Doon Oaties.

Thurs., Nov. 27: Thanksgiving.

Fri., Nov. 28: Thanksgiving.

Free Tony's Dinner

George Causey this is a TRIAL for a free Tony's Deluxe Dinner at Taco Tony's on Highway 90A just west of the city. You'll find delicious foods in a pleasant atmosphere. Clip this out and present at Tony's not later than Nov. 25, 1980.

Agg. Robbery Near Columbus Nov. 10th Found To Be Hoax

The old saying that "you can overdo a good thing" proved true in the case of Shadyside, Ohio man who reported to the Columbus officers and the sheriff's department Monday night, Nov. 10th that he had been robbed of $400 at gunpoint; and he attempted to use the same story in an incident near Weimar four days later and got nabbed in the act.

James H. Paknik, who was traveling with his wife and three children, reported the theft of $400 at gunpoint when he reportedly stopped to repair his car near the Colorado River [illegible] 10th.

At 7:00 p.m. Friday, Nov. 14th, Weimar police received a report that the same man had been robbed of $400.00. The Weimar police notified the sheriff's department and gave the description of the subject that reportedly took [illegible] him and the vehicle the subject was driving when he left the scene. The mistake Paknik made was that he picked the same county to repeat his hoax about being robbed.

Sheriff's deputies transported Paknik to the county jail in Columbus when it was learned that he was the same person who had reported the robbery last week.

During the interrogation, Paknik admitted that he had never been robbed and he stated that the robberies were devised so that he could obtain assistance in getting gasoline for his vehicle and food for his family.

Since he was accompanied by his wife and three children, a Columbus church assisted him with enough gasoline to get to Houston where he was supposed to have an unemployment check waiting.

"Law enforcement agencies between here and Ohio were notified of the incident by teletype in the event Paknik attempted this type of operation again.

[illegible] filed against the man, according to the sheriff's office.

Last Rites For Mrs. J. L. Pidgeon

Funeral services were held Tuesday, Nov. 11th for Mrs. J. L. Pidgeon, 92, of Austin, the mother of Frank C. Pidgeon of Eagle Lake. Mrs. Pidgeon closed her eyes to a peaceful rest with her daughter, Mrs. T. C. Pendleton at her side, following a lengthy illness on Nov. 10th.

A memorial service was held in the Terrytown Memorial United Methodist Church in Austin at 4:15 p.m. Nov. 11th followed by private graveside services for family and close friends at 4:45 p.m. in the Memorial Cemetery in Austin. The Rev. Calvin Froehner of Austin and the Rev. Charles E. Runk of Eagle Lake officiated at the services.

The deceased was born Aug. 8, 1888 in Rome, Texas the daughter of William and Mary Emma Crockett. She had lived for fifty-five years in Colorado City and had lived for the last thirteen years in Austin.

She and J. L. Pidgeon were united in marriage in Arlington and celebrated their 50th and then 63rd wedding anniversaries before his death in 1971. She was also preceded in death by a son, Billy.

Surviving are a son, Frank C. Pidgeon of Eagle Lake and a daughter, Mrs. T. E. (Mary) Pendleton of Austin; four grandchildren, Mrs. Mike (Martha) Handley, Mrs. Jean (Frankie) Pidgeon, Jack R. Pidgeon and Mrs. Jim (Elizabeth) Pendleton; eleven great-grandchildren, Blake, Todd and Jeff Handley, Brenda, Scott and Sue Adams, Michael, Jack and Troy Pidgeon and Jessica and Courtney Pendleton; and other relatives and friends.

Mrs. Pidgeon was known affectionately to her family and friends as "Mama Pidgeon". She visited here on numerous occasions with the family of her son and had many friends in this community who join in extending sympathy in the loss of this loved one.

ASC Committee Ballots Going Out

The County ASCS office reports that ballots will be mailed to all eligible voters in Colorado County by Nov. 21st in the annual ASC Committee Election.

The last day to return ballots will be Dec. 1, reminds the county executive director Dan C. Streckfuss.

He urges all eligible voters to cast ballots but notes that you are to vote for one candidate only.

The committeeman receiving the most votes will represent voters on the Colorado County Committee for a three-year term.

2 Hunters Killed in Accidents

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son-in-law were with the hunting party but were not in the same area as the dead man.

Justice of the Peace Richard C. Schmidt of Columbus Precinct 1 is withholding the results of his inquest until the sheriff's officers have completed the investigation.

Accidental Death Sun.

Nancy McNiel, 31, of Houston reported to the sheriff's department Sunday morning that a hunting accident on the Rohde property had claimed the life of Morris Paul Ruzycke, 37, from Wisconsin but residing at this time in Houston.

Investigation revealed that McNiel, Gerry Osborn, 39, of Houston and Ruzycke had been in the area camping and deer hunting. At 8:30 a.m. McNiel and Ruzycke went hunting and Osborn remained in a camper. It started raining about that time and Ruzycke left his stand in a tree nearby and went to the deer stand where McNiel was located.

It was reported that he was there for a few minutes and the rain stopped. He then started walking back to his stand in the tree. McNiel said that she had placed her gun across her lap and she was going to wipe the rain off of the gun and the scope with a towel and the gun discharged striking Ruzycke in the right upper arm and the bullet [illegible] in the right side of chest. He was shot with a 2-22-50 rifle, said the sheriff department report.

Officers examined all evidence at the scene and statements were taken from McNiel and Osborn (the fiancee of the deceased) and Justice of the Peace Mary Ordner of Freisburg Precinct 5 ruled the death as accidental.

Ruzycke and Osborn were due to be married in near future, it was learned.

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GARWOOD AND NADA COMMUNITY NEWS

MRS. J. F. STRUSKA - 758-3352

Methodist Women Hold Meet Nov. 11

The Women of the Garwood Lehrer Memorial United Methodist Church met Monday, November 11th with the president Mrs. E. L. Wied presiding at the home of Mrs. Louis Miller with Mrs. Miller as hostess. The house was decorated with lovely Christmas pieces.

Mrs. Arlin Miller gave a very interesting and informative program on the progress of the work of the Methodist Church. She used a chart to show the improvement of the missions in the Methodist Church.

In the absence of the secretary, the president read the secretary's report. Mrs. R. A. Shoop gave the card report. Mrs. Louis Miller gave the treasurer's report. The Christmas meeting was discussed.

Mrs. C. P. Hopkins played the piano while everyone took part in singing two songs.

Mrs. F. E. Wines led in prayer for the closing of the meeting.

Lovely refreshments were served.

Christmas Workshop

Mrs. Beulah Shoop and Mrs. R. B. Shaw attended a Christmas Workshop last Tuesday at the El Campo First Baptist Church. The many cakes were decorated with original decorations and were really beautiful. Later a meal was served at 11:30 a.m. with many tasteful foods that were brought with recipes.

PUBLIC NOTICE

[illegible] Hearing to advise the general public about the 1981 Community Development Block Grant Program as administered by the U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).

The Public Hearing shall be held as follows:
DATE: Tuesday, November 24, 1980
TIME: 7:30 P.M.
PLACE: Municipal Building
100 East Main

AGENDA:
1. Call to Order.
2. Introductions.
3. Explanation of the 1981 Community Development Block Grant Program.
4. Citizens views, proposals, questions and comments.
5. Adjournment.

If you are unable to attend, please mail your views and comments to:

City of Eagle Lake
c/o Community Development Program
P.O. Box 35
Eagle Lake, Texas 77434

Robert Klockman,
City Manager

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Tills Host Birthday Party

Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Till of Nada were hosts to a birthday party Sunday in their home honoring Matt Schoellmann and Paul Hoffman of Austin.

Guests attending were Mr. and Mrs. Paul Hoffman, Matt Schoellmann, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Korenek, Tony Leopold, Becky Supak, Pat Korenek, Chris Treybig, Bobby Staff, Charlene Zielonka, Rose Colmbe, Monica Drastata, Susan Kaluza, and Kathy Fucik.

A barbecue dinner was served to the guests. The day was spent watching football, playing cards, volleyball and visiting.

Many Deer Hunters

Garwood is practically deserted this weekend as all the men and some women are off on a deer hunt. The weather is perfect for the hunting and I hope they all have some luck.

Alpha Sigma Omicron Meets

Mrs. Madilyn Zbranek was hostess for the Alpha Sigma Omicron sorority November 4. Mrs. Zbranek served a chicken and dumpling dinner with Martha Washington candy for dessert. Mrs. Kathy Labay gave a program on helpful hints in everyday living.

Further business for the year was discussed.

The meeting adjourned in normal procedure. We would also like to mention that 1981 Calendars are available. If you are interested please contact any of the sorority members listed: Judy Engstrom, Kathy Labay, Betty Schiurring and Kathy [illegible]

Tony [illegible] visited Mrs. Laura Littleton and Mrs. Trula Colburn and then went out on a deer hunt.

Mrs. E. A. Renney of Lake Jackson was a guest of Mrs. Laura Littleton and Mrs. Colburn.

Mr. and Mrs. David Guthrie Jr. and family of Houston visited Mr. and Mrs. Hugo Bubela Jr., Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Tipton and Mr. and Mrs. David Guthrie Sr. last weekend and did some deer hunting.

Some lucky ones who killed deer were: Allen Struska, a two point; Ben Struska, a 4 point; and Dean Martin, a five point. All returned home Sunday evening.

Wedding Anniversaries

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Paul Laake on their 47th wedding anniversary; to Mr. and Mrs. Truman Engstrom Sr. on their 34th anniversary; and to Mr. and Mrs. N. J. Schneider on their 29th anniversary. Best wishes for many more.

Herman Boothes Honored On 50th Yr. Graduation At Baylor

Elizabeth and Herman Boothe

Herman and Elizabeth Boothe were in Waco November 7 to attend homecoming activities [illegible] anniversary. Last year marks the fiftieth anniversary of their graduation from Baylor. During the afternoon they attended both the reception for members of the Class of 1930 and the reunion dinner. Both of these were held in the main drawing-room of the Student Union Building.

Herman and Elizabeth are very thrilled that the Baylor Bears are this year's Southwest Conference champions and are scheduled to play Alabama in the Cotton Bowl January 1, 1981.

Miss Leslie Patrice Miller To Wed Kurt Wayne Payne Dec. 27

Mr. and Mrs. James F. Miller of Eagle Lake announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Leslie Patrice, to Kurt Wayne Payne. The prospective bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Gardner A. Seaholm and Mr. and Mrs. Bobbie C. Payne.

The couple plans to exchange marital vows at three o'clock in the afternoon of Saturday, December 27th in St. John's Lutheran Church at 612 Pecan Street in Wharton, Texas.

Miss Miller is a graduate of Rice High School and is attending Sam Houston State University in Huntsville. Mr. Payne is also a graduate of Rice High School and is employed with Steve Balas Farms.

SHERIDAN NEWS

By Velma Kutzer
(234-3988)

Chris Jackson Has B'day Party

Chris Jackson was entertained with a birthday party last Wed., November 5 on his fifth birthday. The following guests enjoyed a "Pluto" cake and punch: Brianna Cosper, Justin Kutzer, Tracy Rodriguez, Chancey Pence, Shane Laake, Kaci Klein, Nicki Fuller, Michael Smith, Shari and Josh Grahmann, Leigh Jackson, B. J. Lewis and Nancy Vornsand.

Joining the party after school were Belinda McClendon, Jeannie Botard, and DeWight Dopslauf. The partygoers also enjoyed bursting a pinata.

Mrs. Emma Enloe, Mrs. Martha Polach, Mrs. Feb Briscoe and Ms. Beatrice Botard left Sat. morning, Nov. 8 and returned Monday evening from a weekend spent in Las Vegas.

Undergoes Surgery

Roy Heinold was admitted to a Houston hospital earlier this month on Nov. 8th to undergo tests. Friday, Nov. 7th he underwent open heart surgery at Memorial Southwest Hospital. Reports from his family is that he is doing very well and he was able to come home Friday, Nov. 14th.

Rattlesnakes Killed

Several large rattlesnakes have recently been killed in this area. Wayne Dupre killed one west of town near Sandy Creek Bridge and Bob Criswell has killed several south of town. John Barker, grandson of Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Hearn, came upon a large snake Thursday evening in the woods north of town. He killed the rattler with his .22 rifle. It was over 5 foot long and had 10 rattles and a button.

Visit Zoo

Classes of kindergarten through the fourth grade enjoyed a day touring the Houston Zoo Friday, Nov. 7th. The group left the school at 8:15 and returned before school was out. Parents accompanying the group were Mrs. Connie Laake, Mrs. Lola Greak, Mrs. Dorothy Bujnoch, Mrs. Sharon Grahmann, and Mr. and Mrs. Bernie Helge.

4-H Gold Star Winner Sherlyn Lockett Honored

Sherlyn Lockett, the 1980 Gold Star Honoree and member of the Eagle Lake 4-H Club, was honored with a luncheon by her local 4-H club leaders, members and mothers.

She was presented a gold chain necklace and the luncheon included fried chicken, potato salad, French style green beans, and lime punch.

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Thanksgiving Thoughts By ELPS 3rd Graders

[Following are short stories on the Thanksgiving Season by Mrs. Glenda Eberhart's third graders at Eagle Lake Primary School].

Once there were Indians and Pilgrims in America and they had a feast. Now we have a feast on Thanksgiving day. We go to my house and have it. Then we have all kinds of goodies and eat it. Then we play games. It is fun at Thanksgiving. We always pray. I want to tell you my prayer. God is great, God is good, let us thank Him for our food. Amen.-Kimi Corman.

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Thanksgiving means when someone comes to a Thanksgiving Feast. My mother invited my grandparents to the Thanksgiving Feast. We had apple pies, lemon pies, and chocolate cakes. My father shot a turkey for the feast. We said our prayers before we ate our dinner. After we got through eating, we went to sit on the porch.-Detra Chavis.

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One Thanksgiving my whole family was together. My brother and my father and my grandfather and I were playing baseball. My mother and grandmother were setting the table for us to eat. We had turkey, dressing, cranberry salad and for dessert, we had blueberry pie and cake. You talk about good, it was real good.-Lloyd Jackson.

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One day I was sleeping and my mother woke me up. She said it was Thanksgiving and I woke up and got dressed. Then it was one o'clock. Then my mother went to buy a turkey. Then we invited our relatives and we prayed for thanks. After we prayed, we ate. We ate at our grandmother's house. That's what Thanksgiving means to me.-Trino Maldonado.

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