BUZZIN' ABOUT TOWN

• A couple of "not news items" which we somehow missed last week. 1.The Charles Darnells, as is the custom, and the Richard Lacourse family were among the first to get their decorated Christmas trees up, just before Thanksgiving. Also Lois Herman called to report that a live wild goose, apparently crippled by some hunter's shot, was parading down Main Street last week. Now that is taking the Chamber of Commerce's slogan - that Eagle Lake is the "Goose Hunting Capital of the World" very literally.

• If you're looking for a real treat for breakfast, lunch or dinner, The Farris 1912 offers some outstanding menus daily. Bill and Helen and staff have been "knocking themselves out" making life for visiting hunters and other guests a memorable occasion. But reservations at The Farris 1912 should be made in advance.

• The hunting season will get back into full swing again Saturday with the opening of the second half of the duck hunting season at one-half hour before sunrise. Geese remained in season during the short closed season on the ducks.

• Once again we would like to remind you that the Headlight pages this week are full of outstanding Christmas suggestions for young and old. Why travel costly miles and take chances of an accident in the heavy holiday traffic when you can find just about anything you need for your shopping list in Eagle Lake. Our merchants are the ones who support your city and school with their taxes and deserve your first consideration. If they are unable to provide you with a proper selection, then a trip to the big city might be justified.

But if you haven't been to Houston since the Christmas rush started, it is an experience to say the least. . . and not a very pleasant one at that. Every time we leave the Houston city limits we thank God for letting us escape without harm.

• The Headlight staff is busy also in getting things ready for the Christmas and New Year's greeting editions. Our plans are to publish the Christmas greetings on Tuesday, Dec. 23rd and the New Year's edition on Tues., Dec. 30th. If you are not contacted for a holiday greeting and would like to publish one in either or both editions, call 234-2783 and we'll be glad to come by or fix up a greeting for you.

• The Fred R. Frnkas received a postcard last week (dated Nov. 16, 1980) from Deane and Vyvian Fletcher of Winslow, Arkansas from Amman, Jordan. They reported on the card that they were on a Bible tour and had visited in Cairo, Egypt, Vienna, Austria and would end the trip in Israel.

The Fletchers were our neighbors when he was superintendent of schools in Eagle Lake and we're happy to hear that they are enjoying their years of retirement by traveling abroad.

Home From Vacation-Trip

• Mr. and Mrs. Paul Causey and daughter, Morgan returned Thursday, December 4 from a two weeks visit in Washington and Canada.

They flew from Dallas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Staff, to Washington where they visited with Mrs. Causey's grandfather, John Staff of Aberdeen for four days, and with Mr. and Mrs. Tim Grigar for three days in Gig Harbor and on to Victoria, Canada for several days.

They report having a wonderful time.

Condemnation, Suit On Note, Easement Suit Filed

Three civil suits were filed in District Court in Columbus during the past week, one a condemnation for county road right of way, another seeking judgment on a note, and the other seeking easement to some property.

On Dec. 3rd the County of Colorado filed a suit of condemnation against Lemmie McGrew, George Howard Sr. and Jerry Dancy, trustees of the South Point Baptist Church. The suit seeks to condemn .081 of an acre of land owned by the church and needed for widening of County Road 111 (Duncan Lane) in Commissioner Otto Loessin's precinct 1.

On Dec. 8th the First National Bank of Eagle Lake filed a suit against Willie Bankston III asking for a judgment on a past due note in the amount of $2,577.32, plus $30.30 in late charges, and costs of court and attorney's fees.

The other suit was filed Dec. 9th by Alvoy Stehling and husband against Linda Miekow Andrew seeking an easement to land which the plaintiffs inherited from John Lee Miekow. It is alleged there was a verbal agreement, but the suit seeks to set out a legal written easement to the property.

15 Delegates Attend State FB Meeting

Fifteen delegates attended the 1980 Texas Farm Bureau Convention at the San Antonio Convention Center in San Antonio November 30th through December 3rd.

Attending from Garwood were: Mrs. and Mrs. Harry Engstrom, Mr. and Mrs. John Engstrom and Mr. and Mrs. Billy Hefner; Eagle Lake: Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Brunner and Mr. and Mrs. James Clipson, Jr.; Columbus: Mr. and Mrs. Robert Stallman, Jr. and Max Dittmar; Weimar: Mr. and Mrs. Milton Boken.

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3 Charged For Criminal Trespass, 1 For Shoplifting

During a very busy week-end, Eagle Lake police filed charges against three persons for criminal trespass and another was charged with shoplifting.

Eagle Lake Police Sergeant Larry Hill answered a call to 506 McCreary at 10:30 p.m. Saturday, where two men were reported to be fighting. Upon arrival Hill and Deputy Sheriff Chuck Blair found Francisco and Candelario Alamanza involved in a fight and both were arrested and charged with public intoxication. Each paid a fine of $28.50 in city court before Judge M. M. Jones.

At 11:55 p.m. Saturday, Eagle Lake police officer Linda Travis received a call from Stella Morales that three subjects were trying to get into her house. Sergeant Hill, Travis and Blair found Ricky Scott and Adam A. Cavazos and a juvenile at the door of the home and they were charged with criminal trespass in city court. Judge Jones levied a fine of $53.50 each against the two adults and the juvenile was to report to the county juvenile officer and was placed into custody of his parents until that time.

Shoplifting At Dan's

At 2:45 p.m. Sunday, Sergeant Hill responded to a call from Dan's Minute Stop reporting some shoplifting. Hill and Blair responded and found that a Ralph White had left the store with a bottle of wine and two packs of sausage. The man reportedly was chased to his house where he was arrested by the officers.

He was arraigned before Justice of the Peace M. M. Jones and charged with theft over $5.00, a Class B misdemeanor, and was transported to the county jail under $500 bond pending action on the case in county court.

Alpha Delta Phi Sees Film On "Monticello"

On Dec. 1st, Alpha Delta Phi met in the home of Mary Ann Wood. Members saw a most interesting film on "Jefferson's Monticello" after the opening ritual. Roll call was answered, minutes were read and approved. Committee reports were given noting that the Christmas Party will be held at Mary Ann Wood's on Dec. 13th and that the Jan. 5th meeting will be at Gail Guthman's. Members received an invitation to a party Dec. 6th from Mrs. Ethel Konvicka.

New secret sisters were drawn and Mary Ann Wood was elected to take the place of Jean Wiese as rosebud girl (1981). Lana Dulany passed out candy as is traditional with special announcements. Plans for the Valentine Dance were begun with mention of the contract received from Jef and Valerie, and the rest were tabled until the next meeting.

Closing Ritual was said and followed by an informal mirpah.-Reporter.

Comm. Choir Christmas Cantata At 7:30 This Sun.

The Community Choir of Eagle Lake will present a Christmas program entitled "His Love...Reaching", by Ron Huff and Bill and Gloria Gaither this Sunday, December 14 at 7:30 p.m. at the First Baptist Church.

"His Love Reaching" is a service of celebration; a joyous, festive celebration of God's reaching into our world through the gift of His son. It is an experience of commitment. A quiet, deeply moved occasion for a body of believers to share together the reality that God through His son wants to become a meaningful part of our daily lives and, a chance to say, together..."there is room in my heart for You!"

"His Love Reaching' is an opportunity for praise and thanksgiving," according to director David Guess. "An opportunity to consider again the extraordinary nature of God and the astonishing scope of His love toward us."

Soloists for this beautiful celebration are Gail Bradshaw, soprano; Vicki Powers, alto; Cynthia Sunderman, alto; Clark Powers, tenor; and David Guess, tenor. Narration will be presented by Rev. George Welsch, Rev. Michael Barron and Claudette Powers.

The community is invited to attend this celebration of praise and experience the love of God for his people.

EGYPT NEWS

[Mrs. B. H. Tolliver]

[Too late for last week]

Mary Lou Krenek of San Antonio, Elizabeth Krenek of El Campo and Gerard Krenek of Huntsville spent the holiday at home.

Mr. and Mrs. Milton Johnson and son, James were Monday visitors with Mrs. Johnson's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Peikert.

Mrs. Audry Mathis of Wharton spent the week-end with the family of her daughter, Mrs. Leiland Eisel.

Thanksgiving guests of Mrs. Olive Hershey and F.B Duncan were her children and grandchildren, Mrs. Olive Spitzmiller and children, Lisa and Robert, Michael Hershey and son Jeffery, all of Austin, and Mr. and Mrs. Reagan Helms and little son of Houston, also James Atwell of Port Aransas.

Mr. and Mrs. George H. Northingtone spent the week-end with friends in Sonora.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Bruce Hancock and families of their children were at their Egypt Lodge Thanksgiving day.

Mr. and Mrs. Heyne Dromgoole spent several days in Victoria and Seguin last week on a business trip.

The Rev. and Mrs. Southall of Brownwood were Saturday visitors with Mr. and Mrs. Earl Parker in Glen Flora. He is a former pastor of the Bonus Baptist Church.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Dittmar Jr. and small son, Wesley, with Mrs. Olive Storey and Marshall Francis spent Thursday with her father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. Chester Francis in Wharton.

Michelle Pauly returned to Weslaco Sunday after spending the holiday at home.

Mrs. Lloyd Tate spent several days in El Campo last week with relatives.

Steve Tolliver of Conroe visited briefly Wednesday with his grandmother, Mrs. Ivy Tolliver.

Paula Krenek and Jim Poulcek of Baton Rouge, La. spent the holiday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Krenek. Other guests for Thanksgiving dinner were Mrs. Krenek's mother, Mrs. L. H. Schaer of Hungerford, her sister, Mrs. Francis Chlek, and daughters, Anne and Cathy of Rosenberg, Mossignor Barcyk, also of Rosenberg, and his mother, Mrs. Barcyk of La Porte.

Messers and Mesdames Jim, Dennis, and Ben Peikert and families enjoyed Thanksgiving dinner with the family of their daughter and sister, Mrs. Milton Johnson in Louise.

Mr. and Mrs. John W. Northington and little daughter, Paula, had Thursday dinner in Wharton with her father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. E. L. McLeroy and the family. Mr. McLeroy's brother and son, Vick McLeroy and Mitchell of Tipton were additional guests

Mr. and Mrs. John O'Dowd and family of New Orleans, La. spent the week-end with her sisters, Mrs. George Krenek Jr. and Miss Margaret Zahn, The Krenek and O'Dowd families enjoyed Thanksgiving dinner with Miss Zahn.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Wobbe and small son, John, spent Thursday in Bofing with her mother, Mrs. Henson.

Mr. and Mrs. Leiland Eisel and family had dinner with Mrs. Francis Eisel in Wharton Thursday.

Herbert Dittmar Jr. returned home Wednesday from a deer hunt in West Texas.

Mrs. Will Meriwether spent the week-end in Port Arthur with her sister, Mrs. John Ayres.

Clyde Smith of Mountain Home, Ark. visited in the Lloyd Tate home last week.

Thanksgiving dinner guests in the O'Farrell Pauly home were Mrs. Lynn Haygood and son, Kelly of Beasley, and Mrs. Ivy Tolliver.

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3 FM Roads In County To Be Improved

Bids for improving 147.6 miles of highways in Caldwell, Colorado, Calhoun, DeWitt, Fayette, Gonzales, Jackson, Lavaca, Victoria and Wharton Counties are expected to be received in December by the State Department of Highways and Public Transportation.

The work will consist of seal costing the roadways with an application of asphalt and rock to promote waterproofing and help maintain pavement strength.

Yoakum District Engineer Carl Ramert said seal coating will be applied to three highways in this county including FM 1093, FM 333 and FM 2434; also to FM 1115, FM 1457, FM 2762 and FM 2414 in Fayette County; FM 530 in Lavaca County; and FM 1093, FM 441 and FM 2546 in Wharton County.

The completed work will provide a better riding and skid-resistant roadway surface for motorists.

E. J. Blaschke, of Yoakum, is the department's engineer supervising the project.

FREE PIZZA

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4 Named To Columbus City Mgr. Adv. Comm.

Columbus city council, meeting in a special session Dec. 1st, appointed four citizens to assist it in selecting a new city manager.

They are former Mayor W. A. Kuchar, former Assistant City Manager Donald Hayek, former Alderwoman Tish McAlister and the Rev. Robert Schlortt.

Mayor Richard Heffley said the citizens group will meet with the council in a special meeting Thursday night to decide what qualifications they want in a city manager. He said the screening of applications would follow.

Heffley said the citizens group will vote with the council as a screening committee and would sit in with the council in all discussions involving the selection of a new city manager. - Colorado County Citizen.

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Microwave, Food Processing Demonstrations Scheduled

[By Donella R. Pastel County Extension Agent]

Holiday time brings special programming for Colorado County residents.

For those owning or anticipating owning a microwave oven and/or a food processor, several educational programs are planned in December.

A Food Processor demonstration will be presented Saturday, Dec. 12 at Columbus High School Homemaking Dept. at 9:30 a.m. for all interested parents and guests attending the Colorado County 4-H Foods Show. Appetizers and snacks will be featured.

A Public Holiday Microwave Cooking and Food Processor demonstration will be presented Wednesday, Dec. 17 at the County Agricultural Bldg. in Columbus from 6:30 - 9:00 p.m. Holiday desserts and appetizers will be featured with everyone tasting the food. Some of the items to be prepared will include Microwave Fruitcake, Chocolate Souffle Pudding with Deluxe Vanilla Sauce, Flambe, Banana A La Old White Club, Cherries Jubilee, Custard Flan; Brandied Chicken Livers, etc.

Those interested in attending are asked to contact the Colorado County Extension Office, 316 Spring Street, 732-2530 to make reservations. Programs of TAE is open to all people regardless of socioeconomic levels, race, color, sex, religion or national origin.

Early Registration For WCJC Spring Semester Underway

Early registration for the Spring Semester at Wharton County Junior College in Wharton ends December 10 for presently enrolled students.

Others, who plan to enroll for the Spring Semester that starts January 19, should apply for admission now by contacting the Registrar's Office which is open weekdays from 8 a.m. until 5 p.m. Counseling is also available during the same hours.

However, the college will be closed from December 22 until January 12 when it opens following the Christmas holidays.

New students registrations are scheduled January 13-15 by time permit only. Time permits may be obtained now obtained by writing to the Registrar, Wharton County Junior College, 911 Boling Highway, Wharton, Texas 77488. The telephone number is (713) 532-4560, extension 24.

Shelley Ree Cunningham Baptized Sun.

Little Miss Shelley Ree Cunningham, four-month-old daughter of Marsha and Ritchie Cunningham, was baptized at the morning service of the First Presbyterian Church in Eagle Lake Sunday, Dec. 7th. The Rev. Mike Barron officiated at the service.

Grandparents of Shelley Ree are Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Stallman of Garwood and Mrs. Jerri Cunningham of Marble Falls. She is also the great-granddaughter of Mrs. Lillie Herron of Garwood.

Immunization Clinic Here Thurs.

An immunization clinic will be held at Dr. Jose Ugarte's Clinic on South McCarty in Eagle Lake from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 11th, announces State Health Nurse Mrs. Bernice Richter.

Parents are urged to note the date and to plan to bring their children for the free immunizations offered at the monthly session.

Cellar Door Ext. Homemakers Plan Christmas Party

The Cellar Door Extension Homemakers Club met Monday, Nov. 24 at 10:00 a.m. in the [illegible] Mrs. Fritz Leopold.

Cathy Leopold presented the program on making cream puffs. Cathy demonstrated step-by-step, how easy it is to prepare cream puffs and enjoy them in your own home.

The members sat down to a delicious lunch prepared by the hostess including ham-nut appetizers, deviled ham dip, egg balls, cream puffs and lemonade cranberry punch.

An interesting program on microwave desserts and appetizers is scheduled for Dec. 17 from 6:30 - 9:00 p.m. at the County Agricultural Office in Columbus. Members are asked to come and enjoy the goodies to be prepared.

The Christmas Party was discussed and scheduled for Monday, Dec. 22 at 7:00 in the home of Fritz and Cathy Leopold.

Next meeting to be held on Monday, January 26, 1981 at 10:00.-Reported.

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by Mary Ann Pittman

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A significant portion of new single-family homes built in the 1980's will be manufactured homes built entirely inside a central plant, according to Michael Sumichrast, economist for the National Association of Homebuilders. Manufacturers build both mobile and modular homes, which are then moved to the homesite and installed. Sumichrast predicts that mobile home manufacturers will add nearly 1.1 million units to the nation's housing inventory in the next 10 years — a 7.6% increase over the 3.1 million built during the 1970's.

Sumichrast points out that modern mobile homes offer greater value than in the past, hardly resembling what were once called "trailers". He predicts that during the 1980's more multiple-section manufactured homes will be built, and in most cases these larger homes will be classified as real estate.

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3 Charged In Burglary At Gibson's

2 Men Arrested In Store Early Thurs., 3rd Drove Get-Away

Three persons have been charged for participation in the burglary of Gibson's in Columbus and at least three other thefts in Columbus were also solved by the arrests, Columbus police officers believe.

Columbus patrolman Mike Harvey spotted a broken screen, and window at Gibson's while making his rounds at around 2:00 a.m. Thursday and he reported to the county sheriff's department that there had been a possible break-in.

Harvey spotted a man in a doorway of the store and told the man to stop but the man turned, holding a rifle, and the rifle was discharged into the building.

Harvey put out a call by radio for assistance and got quick response from the sheriff's department, other Columbus officers, including Chief of Police Tom Wise, Weimar chief of police Joey Targac and Eagle Lake chief of police Jimmie Smith.

The officers surrounded the store and Wine yelled into the building informing the burglar that the building was surrounded and ordered him to surrender. The man came out peacefully and surrendered to the officers and told them that he was alone in the building.

While other officers surrounded the building, Wine and Targac went into the building to check to see if anyone else was in the store and they spotted another man at the rear of the store. The man fled into a dark area of the building and was later found hiding behind a stack of insulation materials. He was apprehended by Targac and Wine and surrended a pistol which he was carrying.

The first man arrested was Camille Guerra, Jr., 25, of Columbus and formerly of Rock Island; and the second man was reported to be Mike Kelly, 20, of Eagle Lake, but now residing in Columbus.

Charged In J. B. White Thefts

Interrogation by Columbus officers resulted in Guerra being charged with three counts of burglary, including the Gibson entry and two entries into the J. B. White Co. store in Columbus. Kelly was charged with burglary of the Gibson store.

Also investigation implicated a third man, Jimmy Noska, 20, of Columbus, who was charged with conspiracy to commit theft, since he reportedly drove the pickup which dropped off the two burglars and was due to pick them up later. The report said Noska returned for the men but spotted the officers and fled. He was arrested later and charged.

Noska was also charged with the theft of sit Christmas trees which reportedly disappeared from a parking lot at Brookshire Bros. in Columbus earlier last week.

All three were arraigned before Justice of the Peace Richard C. Schmidt in Columbus. Bond was set on Guerra at $2500, on Kelly at $2500 and on Noska at $250. Noska and Kelly have been released from jail under the bond, but Guerra was still in jail Tuesday afternoon. The cases are due to be brought before the next session of the grand jury in February.

Officers involved were praised for their quick response and for their diligent work in apprehending the burglars under some dangerous conditions.

Sunday Guests

Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Wilcox and family of Sugar Creek were Sunday guests of his brother's family, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Wilcox, Margaret and Melissa.

Driver Escapes Injury When Car-Train Collide Sat

The driver of a 1976 Oldsmobile Cutlass failed to make it across a train crossing on Lake Avenue Saturday and the train hit his car but fortunately the driver escaped injury.

Eagle Lake Police Sergeant was the investigating officer and he was assisted by Deputy Sheriff Chuck Blair. Sergeant Hill reported that the Oldsmobile was being driven south on Lake by Kenneth Bowers of Eagle Lake and the vehicle almost cleared the tracks at the Postoffice street intersection, but not quite, and the Southern Pacific freight train hit the rear side of the car causing considerable damage to the vehicle. The train was not damaged and Bowers escaped injury but he was charged by Hill with failure to stop at a railroad crossing.

2 Vehicles Collide On 90A E.

In another accident investigated by Sergeant Hill, with the assistance of Deputy Sheriff Blair, at 4:05 p.m. Saturday, two vehicles collided at the intersection of FM 3013 and Highway 90A on the eastern edge of the city.

Hill reported that a 1975 Chevrolet was being driven by Kenneth Wayne Lynn of Houston and Lynn turned left off 3013 onto 90A and his car was hit from the rear by a 1975 Cadillac driven west on 90A by Eddie McKimsey of Texas City. The officer reported that the Cadillac skidded 150 feet before the impact and then knocked the Lynn car another 65 feet before coming to a stop.

McKimsey was charged with failure to maintain control of vehicle to avoid accident.

Lynn and his wife were taken to the Eagle Lake Community Hospital by the Eagle Lake Ambulance Corps but were not considered to be seriously injured. Heavy damage resulted to both vehicles.

C. of C. Elects

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National Bank; Eagle Lake firemen will assist and will provide a fire truck if needed for Santa's arrival in the event of bad weather and for his departure from the city. City Manager Bob Klockman said city crews will see that the streets are cleaned for the helicopter landing.

Anyone desiring to assist during the period that Santa is here can contact the president or the chamber office, 234-2780.

A discussion was held on the Christmas lighting in the downtown area and it was reported that the lighting program cost the chamber $358 in 1979 and it was estimated $[illegible] of power and replacement lights in 1980 will be over $400.

Appraisal District Taking Bids For Insurance, Bonds

The Colorado County Central Appraisal District will accept bids until Dec. 24th for health insurance, workman's compensation and bonds to cover employees of the district for the year of 1981.

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