

HAPPY NEW YEAR

Much happiness to you and your family!

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Mr. and Mrs. Victor Mascheck and Employees - Eagle Lake

Kolek, Trefny, St. Mary's Ch. Regional Pecan Winners

The South Texas Regional Pecan Show was held in Highland Mall, Austin, Texas, Dec. 16-18. The show included over 400 entries from 25 counties in the South Texas area.

Frank Kolek, Sr., Weimar, placed 1st with his Brak variety. His entry has 63.74 pecans per pound and a 59.58 percent kernel. Charles T. Trefny, Weimar, placed 3rd with his Native exhibit. His entry showed a 78.34 - 54.92 calculation. St. Mary's Catholic Church, Nada, placed 1st with its Eastern Schley variety which showed a calculation of 47.35 - 61.43.

In the Colorado-Fayette County Pecan Show held Dec. 23 in Bishop Forrest High School, Schulenburg, Trefny had the Grand Reserve Champion entries, while Kolek had a 1st place with his Brak, and St. Mary's had a 1st place with its E. Schley which was also a Reserve Champion winner in the Shelburne division. There were 62 entries in the County Show.

Regional Champions Of interest to the pecan growers of Colorado-Fayette Counties, the following is a

County Agent's NOTEBOOK

(By Leroy J. Hajdick, County Extension Agent Colorado County)

Year-End Tax Planning For Farmers, Ranchers

Farmers and ranchers have only a few more days to make decisions that could affect their 1980 income tax situation. Year-end planning can help save tax dollars.

We suggest that farmers and ranchers follow a systematic procedure in making end-of-year tax management moves. First, decide what your tax management goals are. Commonly, the goal is to

After defining your tax management goals, it's time to make some estimates. Calculate 1980 net farm profit, taxable non-farm income, and total tax due. Estimate the same items for the 1981 tax year. By comparing 1980 and 1981 taxable income estimates, decide whether to increase or decrease this year's taxable income (especially net farm profit) relative to next year's. If the drought has reduced your 1980 taxable income and you expect that 1981 will be a more profitable year, you may want to postpone some expenses for farm supplies and purchases of machinery until next year. You may even want to make some additional sales of crops and livestock before Dec. 31 to improve this year's net farm income.

This systematic procedure in reaching end-of-year tax management decisions provides a review of 1980 and another appraisal of expectations for 1981.

Determine your 1980 income tax status and also get a quick look at 1981. When the new year arrives, the cash basis taxpayer loses

We hope the year ahead will be the most successful of many and that you'll have great happiness.

happy new year 1981

Furniture Shoppe

Virginia and Walter Lee-Denier - Mrs. O. L. Mill EAGLE LAKE

'81 Upland Cotton Provisions Set

Secretary of Agriculture Bob Bergland has announced that for the third year in a row, there will be no set-aside, voluntary diversion or normal crop acreage requirements under the upland cotton program.

Bergland said there is no need for acreage restrictions in 1981 because extremely poor growing conditions reduced 1980 production. The reduced 1980 crop, coupled with continued relatively strong demand for cotton, likely will result in a carryover next fall of around 2.6 million bales. This compares with a 1980 carryover of 3 million bales and a 1979 carryover of 4 million bales.

USDA encouraged farmers not to plant cotton on lands subject to excess erosion.

"USDA had proposed that cotton producers be required to plant within normal crop acreage established for their farms. Subsequent action by Congress ruled this out.

The target price for the 1981 upland cotton crop will be announced next spring when final yield and production cost estimates become available for the 1980 crop - it is likely to be between 68.5 and 76.5 cents per pound. The 1980 target price is 68.4 cents.

Rice Varsity Football Team Honored At BBQ Dec. 17th

Providence Baptist Church members honored members of the Rice High School Varsity Football team, their coaches and principals with a dinner at 7:30 p.m. Wed., Dec. 17th at the Guildhall.

The coaches, principals and team members enjoyed a delicious dinner of baked turkey and dressing, barbecue turkey, chicken, sausage, potato casserole, potato salad, potato casserole, and carrots, cheese broccoli, cranberry sauce, cake and pie, garlic French bread, plump cornbread and tea.

Members of the team singing in Providence Church present were John Dawson, Earnest Fields, Victor Davis, Robert Frazier. Other members present from the Varsity, Jr. Varsity and Freshman teams were: Bruce Montgomery, Troy Grunds, Kenneth Humphill, Charlie Amos, Delbert Jarvis and Trahan Taylor.

Head football coach Clifton Darden and Mrs. Darden, Principal and Mrs. Fred Gramann, Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Berger, Coach and Mrs. Finest Axel, Coach and Mrs.

Miss Jane Elizabeth Hopkins, Jefferson Lavo Potter Wed

Miss Jane Elizabeth Hopkins and Jefferson Lavo Potter were united in marriage on Saturday, December 20, 1980 at three in the afternoon at the Tousey Hopkins House in Columbus. Rev. Bill Huth of the First Methodist Church of Columbus performed the ceremony.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James G. Hopkins of Garwood and Columbus. She is the Social Studies Supervisor of the Brasport Independent School District.

The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert F. Potter of Columbus and is an Independent Oil Field Equipment Inspector.

The maid of honor was the

Soil Conservation District News

The conservation plan for Henry Sunderman has been updated to show changes in land use.

Assistance was provided to Mrs. Henry Wulgars of Garwood on pasture planting and soil conservation plan to show land use changes.

Assistance was provided to Mrs. Bill Franks of Garwood on updating her conservation plan.

New WCJC Service Tool

John Delgado of Eagle Lake (left) and Eddie Macha of East Bernard (right) operate Sun Scope Ignition Diagnostic Unit at Wharton County Junior College in Wharton.

Wharton Registration for the next freshman automotive technology class in January 13-15.

The college is closed for the Christmas holidays but offices will open Monday, January 12.

Homemakers' Reflections

By Donella Pantel County Extension Agent

Fruitcake may be cooked in a 1 qt. milk carton. Cut off top of clean carton to stand in oven. Fill 3/4 full. Microwave (high) 8-12 minutes until toothpick in center comes out clean. Cool completely; peel off carton. Store covered.

Recipe For Microwave Fruitcake

If you have gotten a new Microwave Oven for Christmas you may like to try this Microwave Fruitcake:

- 1/2 cup soft butter
- 6 tbsp. dark brown sugar
- 3 tbsp. corn syrup and honey
- 6 eggs
- 1/2 cup flour
- 1/2 tsp. salt
- 1/4 tsp. baking powder
- 1 tsp. nutmeg
- 1 tsp. allspice
- 1/2 cup brandy or rum
- 1 1/2 cups each red and green candied cherries.
- 8 cups coarsely chopped walnuts or pecans.

In large mixing bowl, cream butter, brown sugar and corn syrup. Add eggs, one at a time, beating continuously. Blend with flour, salt, baking powder, nutmeg and allspice until smooth. Stir in brandy; fold in cherries and nuts. Pour into 12-cup bundt pan. Microwave (high) 10-14 minutes, rotating 1/4 turn every 4 minutes. Rest 15-20 minutes before loosening; invert from pan. Glaze if desired. Makes 1 large cake.

Maxi-Time: Medium - high (70%) 15-18 minutes.

*Mixed fruit may be substituted for part of the

JOY

Best wishes for the best New Year.

ALAMO Lumber Co. & Employees EAGLE LAKE

Texas Longhorn Drive Inn

Herbert & Laura Rodriguez Rock Island

EGYPT NEWS

Too late for last week Mr. and Mrs. O'Farrell Pauly, his mother, Mrs. Pearl Pauly, and Steve Pauly attended the Messiah at the First Baptist Church in Houston Saturday evening.

Herbert Dittmar Jr. was in West Columbia Sunday for a family get-together at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jake Grisham.

Mr. and Mrs. Heyne Dromgole were hosts at dinner Sunday at their home for a Christmas get-together for relatives and friends. 40 guests enjoyed their gracious hospitality.

Friends of Mrs. Ed Zaskoda are pleased that she is able to be at home after undergoing surgery in John Seely Hospital in Galveston.

Dr. John T. Wynn, Cleo Fennell, O'Neal Kirby and Tommie Gambel, all of Kingstree, S. C. and Reese Wynn of Houston enjoyed

The Sewing Center

Mrs. Irene Skucas Eagle Lake

New Year's Eve Dance At Nada KJT Hall

There will be a big New Year's Eve Dance at the Nada K.J.T. Hall in Nada and one and all are invited to make plans to attend. The Twilights will be providing music for dancing from 8:30 until 12:15.

Table reservations may be made by calling 758-3380 or 758-3831.

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Special "thanks" to our friends.

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Fed. Crop Ins. To Pay \$21 Million Claims

More than \$21 million will be paid to New Mexico, Oklahoma and Texas farmers on this year's low crop yields, the Federal Crop Insurance Corporation has announced.

"This was one of the worst crop years in history for U.S. farmers. In this Region, everything from hot, dry weather to hurricanes. Every crop we insure and almost every area of the Region was hit by some disaster. Claims have been filed on over 33 percent of our insurance units," explained Ben A. Jordan, Jr., College Station Regional Director.

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A note of thanks and best wishes to you!

Priesmeyer's

Department Store - Garwood

Jan. 15 Deadline For Farmers To File Income Tax

Individuals who earned at least two-thirds of their 1979 or 1980 gross income from farming have until Thursday, January 15, 1981, to make a 1980 declaration of estimated tax and pay any taxes due, the Internal Revenue Service says.

However, those who plan to file their 1980 income tax return and pay the total tax balance by March 3, 1981, are not required to make an estimated tax declaration, according to the IRS.

Additional information is available in the free IRS Publication 225, "Farmer's Tax Guide," and Publication 905, "Tax Withholding and Estimated Tax." These publications can be ordered by mail using the order form in the tax package or by calling the IRS number listed in the local telephone directory.

NEW YEAR CHEER

May each new day be better.

May the New Year record great things for you and yours.

SEAHOLM INSURANCE

Gardner and Pat Seaholm EAGLE LAKE

M & M Western Store

MariHannah & Massey Duncan Downtown Eagle Lake

WELCOME 1981

Our warmest wishes for a full and happy New Year.

SPALINGER HARDWARE

Charlie & Kate Spalinger Rex Sanders, Lois Herman John Young Eagle Lake

Coastal Contracting

Mr. & Mrs. John Perry and Employees Eagle Lake

WCJC To Enroll For Automotive Technology

Students who wish to enroll for the first time in automotive technology at Wharton County Junior College in Wharton can register January 13-15 under new enrollment procedures for the one-year occupational education program.

Freshman enrollment was previously limited to the Fall Semester.

The additional registration period is designed to meet a strong demand for auto mechanics and to provide persons with more opportunities to pursue a career in the automotive repair field.

Time permits for registration must be obtained in advance from the office of the Registrar located in the WCJC Administration Building, 911 Boling Highway. Additional information is also

PEACE in 1981

MAY THE NEW YEAR FIND YOU HAPPY, FILLED WITH CALM AND INNER STRENGTH AND THANKFUL FOR EACH NEW DAY.

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Mrs. T. W. Scott Tommy and Colleen Scott & Employees EAGLE LAKE

A HAPPY AND PEACEFUL NEW YEAR

A WISH FOR KINDNESS AND PEACE IN OUR LIVES EACH DAY OF THE COMING YEAR.

AMERICAN RICE GROWERS ASSN.

EAGLE LAKE DIVISION

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Good luck, good fortune, friends and health.

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