

Lamaze Class In El Campo Begins July 20

The Childbirth Education Association of El Campo announced the beginning of another prepared childbirth (Lamaze) class session, which will start on Mon., July 20 and will continue weekly for

20-Ton Load Limit OK'd On Struss Lane Near Columbus

Minimum Wage Set
For Nov. General
Election Officials

Colorado County Commissioners' Court, in session Monday, approved a 20-ton load limit on Struss Lane near the Golden community at the request of Precinct One Commissioner Otto Loessin.

A public hearing had been called on the proposal but no one appeared relative to the matter. Commissioner Loessin explained that the road is primarily in a residential area and is being used by trucks as a "shortcut" to IH 10 and was causing considerable damage to the road.

The court also established salaries for election judges and clerks for the November election (this year voting will be done only on amendments to the state constitution) at the minimum wage level, which this year is \$3.35 per hour. This increased the pay from \$2.95 to \$3.35 per hour.

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Anyone who is pregnant and is interested in attending prepared childbirth classes is invited to register now. To register or call for more information, please phone Sue Jackson (713) 543-4569, or Susan Ray (713) 543-2385.

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Sheriff's Road Patrol Issuing More Tickets

According to monthly reports reviewed by the County Commissioners' Court Monday, the County Sheriff's Dept. road patrol is active in

issuing tickets for traffic violations on the county.

During the month of June, Deputy Richard LaCourse reported issuing a total of 112 citations, far and above the average number issued in the past several years. It was also noted that the Highway Department troopers in this county have shown an increase in the number of tickets issued.

Ambulance Calls

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Under state statutes, the

county can increase the tax

rate up to 3% of the total

without a public hearing. If a

decision is made to increase

the rate calculated by Tax

Officer Hajovsky by 3%, the

new rate would be 27.867

cents per \$100 valuation. If

the tax rate needed to carry

the 1982 budget is more than

the 27.867 cents, then a

public hearing would be

determined to exceed the

3% increase and another not

more than 14 days later to

actually set the new rate.

Board of Equalization

The court convened as a

board of equalization at the

end of the regular term of

Commissioners' Court to

complete its work and

advised the board for the

1981 tax year.

Judge Crank said that it

was a "swan song" for the

county board of equalization

since, effective next year, the

countywide tax appraisal

district will organize a board

of equalization to take care of

all properties in the county.

Heard an opinion from

County Attorney Edward

Wooley-Price relative to a

paragraph in a contract

proposed by the State on the

future construction of a

bridge over Church Creek on

the Eagle Lake to Bernardo

Road. The county attorney

said that in his opinion the

proposal on the county's

liabilities was "too broad" and

the court authorized Judge

Crane to negotiate with the

Final Rites For Boyd Stapleton

Citizens of the area learned with sadness last week of the death of Francis Boyd Stapleton, 62, of Hot Springs, Arkansas, and a longtime resident of Eagle Lake.

Stapleton died at around 3 p.m. Tuesday, July 14 in Hot Springs of a heart attack. He was born July 15, 1918 in El Campo, Texas, the son of Ben G. and George Johnson.

Stapleton, the youngest of ten children. His mother passed away when he was five months old. The family came to Eagle Lake shortly after he was born. He was in Eagle Lake community. He was born July 15, 1918 in El Campo, Texas, the son of Ben G. and George Johnson.

Final rites were held from the chapel of the Mill-Baker Funeral Home in Eagle Lake at 10 a.m. Friday, July 10th with two nephews, The Rev. Johnny Kiniah of Port Lavaca and The Rev. Bob James of Houston, officiating. Interment followed in Lakeside cemetery. Serving as pallbearers were nephews Mike Walker, Robert James, Dan Moreland, Waldo Hunt, Gerry Birdwell, John Kiniah, Joey Kiniah and Jeff Kiniah.

Members of the Rites Area Memorial Fund No. 8783 of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, participated in folding the United States flag which draped the casket and presented the flag to the deceased's family.

Mill-Baker Funeral Home of Eagle Lake was in charge of arrangements.

Out Of Towners

Among those out of town attending last rites for Boyd Stapleton were: Mrs. Boyd Stapleton of Hot Springs, Ark.; Mrs. Frankie Watson and Mrs. Kathryn Baker of Edna; Mr. and Mrs. John Feldhoff of Richmond; Mrs. Mary Frances Gird of Columbus; Mrs. Kathryn Klaber of Katy; Rev. Bobby James, Rev. Robert, Mr. and Mrs. Waldo Hunt of Kingswood; Mr. and Mrs. Nancy Moreland and children, Mrs. Molly Hunt and Mrs. Audrey King of Houston; Mrs. Billy Easter of Alabama; Mr. and Mrs. Bill Stapleton of Garland; Tommy Stapleton of Dallas; Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Gifford of Morrow, Ga.; Mr. and Mrs. G. D. Gerstberg of Weimar; Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Birdwell of Dallas; Dr. and Mrs. Gerry Birdwell of Dallas; and Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Kiniah of Port Lavaca.

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