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Christmas Mailing Tips Are Offered

With Christmas mailing season just ahead, Houston Postmaster Wallace Kido is offering some tips for customers to make sure their cards and packages arrive on time and in good shape.

In addition to shopping early, Postmaster Kido urges customers to properly address cards and packages with the name, street number and name or post office box number, and the city, state and ZIP Code reserved for the last line.

It's also a good idea to put a slip of paper with the recipient's name and address and your return address inside the envelope. Be sure to include your return address including your ZIP Code on all envelopes and packages.

Postmaster Kido also reminds customers to check the size of their envelopes before mailing Christmas cards. Letter size standards which went into effect last year require envelopes to be at least 3-1/2 inches high and 5 inches long to be accepted for mailing. Any envelope more than 11-1/2 inches long, six and one eighth inches high or one quarter inch thick will be subject to a nine cent surcharge, in addition to the applicable postage.

Parcels will arrive at the destination in good shape if mailers follow a few simple instructions:

1. Make sure the contents are well-cushioned and there is no empty space in the box. Use crumpled newspaper around the item, on the bottom, the sides and on top of your gift. Foamed plastic shells and air pocket padding also are good cushions.

2. Brown wrapping paper and twine cord are not necessary. Wrappings can rip off, and twine can get caught in processing machinery.
3. Use sealing tape to close off and seal the box. Three types are recommended: pressure-sensitive tape, kraft paper reinforced with nylon

or glass and filament-reinforced pressure-sensitive tape. Don't use masking tape or cellophane tape. They're no longer recommended due to past poor performance.

4. Use a smudge-proof ink for the address which should appear in the lower right-hand corner of the box. Write your return address in the upper left-hand corner. Be sure to include the ZIP CODE for both the address-see's address and your return address.
5. Remove any other labels or addresses from the carton.
6. Mail early in the month and mail early in the day to avoid the rush.
7. Send irreplaceable articles, cash and all valuable items by registered mail.

will conduct a school of dancing here during the next year. . . . Duck and goose season will open Nov. 1st and goose limit is raised to six. . . . Karen Payne was honored with a party on her third birthday by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Gene Payne on August 17th. . . . Memorial Library in Garwood gave a book to school party with many children attending and a story hour was presented. . . . Mr. and Mrs. Forrest Terrell, Pam and Rachel Anne of Eagle Lake, took the guided tour through famous Texas Longhorn Cavern recently while on a trip through the Highland Lakes region in Texas. . . . Director John R. Hunter reported that Wharton County Junior College will have the largest band in the college's history this year.

Appearances of this Broadway motion picture, TV and stage star are nightly Tuesday through Sunday at 8:15, preceded by the Windmill's outstanding buffet served from 6:00 p.m. to 7:45 p.m. Cocktail shows are 3:00 p.m. Sunday and 10:00 p.m. Friday and Saturday.

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Posts Multi-Certification



Ms. Annie Kossa

Sheridan Teacher Annie Kossa Has Multi-Degree Certification

Ms. Annie Kossa joined the Sheridan Elementary School staff in 1973. Since then she has been awarded the Master's Degree with certification in order of Early Childhood, Kindergarten, Mentally Retarded, Professional Elementary and Professional Supervisor. She is currently working to satisfy Mid-Management Certification at Sam Houston State University. In a sense Ms. Kossa represents Chaucer's concept of a scholar in that she teaches and continues her studies as a student. As Rice CISD Administrator, during the eight years she has been associated with the Rice District, she has found time in addition to studies and teaching to help develop the curriculum in both elementary and special education. She assists the building principal in administering and interpreting standardized tests which are utilized in curriculum improvement and student services.

Ms. Kossa is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jerome Kossa of Ammannville, Tex.

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Ben Sevier Rites Held In Yoakum

(Held over from last week)

Friends and relatives were saddened to learn of the death of Ben Louis Sevier of Yoakum, nephew of Mrs. Grace Kuchera of Eagle Lake. He passed away Thursday, November 12.

When he failed to appear for lunch, his mother found him succumbed in his garden.

The late Mr. Sevier was born Feb. 7, 1929. His parents were Walter and Lurane Sevier of Sheridan.

Funeral services were held from the Buffington Funeral Home in Yoakum Nov. 16th with interment following in the Restland Cemetery in Yoakum.

Survivors include his mother and step-father, Mr. and Mrs. Pleas Holter; a half sister, Mrs. Betty Cresta, a half brother, Junior Holter, all of Yoakum; and other relatives and friends.

His father, Walter Sevier, preceded him in death on January 29, 1929.

Sewer Plant Construction Project Is Running Ahead Of Schedule

Work is progressing ahead of schedule on the construction of a new sewer plant for the city of Eagle Lake and on rehabilitation of some of the city's sewer lines, reported City Manager Robert Klockman to the Eagle Lake city council in session on Tuesday night of last week.

Basic Constructors of Houston was awarded a contract by the City of Eagle Lake on its bid of \$1,257,400 for the construction of the new sewer plant.

Klockman reported to the council that Basic crews have been making excellent progress on the plant construction, due in great part to the favorable weather, and are "ahead of the schedule and under the budget of funds designated for the project."

Worthen Construction Co. of Houston was awarded a \$57,600 contract for rehabilitation of the sewer

lines, manholes, etc. in order to prevent infiltration of water. This week work was due to begin on replacing some manholes, covers and rings to prevent rainwater from draining into the system.

Total cost of the project is \$1,496,000 with 75% of the total costs being financed under a grant from the Environmental Protection Agency and the Texas Department of Water Resources.

Citizens of Eagle Lake voted a \$950,000 bond issue to help finance the city's 25% of the project cost. This \$350,000 issue does not cover all of the city's 25% share but the council has authorized expenditure of available revenue sharing funds to complete payment of its share of the costs.

One phase of the sewer

CC To Set Holidays, Elect Officers Mon.

Eagle Lake Chamber of Commerce will have an important meeting at 2:30 p.m. next Monday, Dec. 7th, in the council room of the Municipal Building when 1982 officers will be elected and holidays set for the 1982 year.

The chamber will also complete plans for the annual visit of Santa Claus to this community from 1 to 3 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 12th. Santa will visit with the children in the Municipal Building in downtown Eagle Lake. He will come aboard the Lions-Kohleff-Shirley miniature train.

Ballots which were mailed to members must be returned to the chamber office no later than 10 a.m. next Monday, Dec. 7th. The four directors who are to be elected for three year terms will join the carryover directors in the election of a new president, vice-president, secretary and treasurer.

Candidates for the four directorships include: Larry Dulany, Dr. Steve Edwards, Case Holub, T. Lang, Beverly Marquart, Jim Miller, Ralph

Truly and Liz Waddell.

Holidays For 1982

All persons interested in making comments on the 1982 holidays should contact the office by calling 234-2780 by 10 a.m. Monday or attend the meeting at 2:30 p.m. to make comments.

Tentatively the chamber plans to adopt the same slate of holidays which were observed in 1981. Corresponding dates in 1982 for the holidays observed this year are as follows:

Memorial Day, Mon., May 31; Independence Day, Mon., July 5; Labor Day, Mon., Sept. 6; Veterans' Day, Thurs., Nov. 11; Thanksgiving Day, Thurs., Nov. 25; Christmas Day, Sat., Dec. 25; and New Year's Day, Sat., Jan. 1, 1983.

Banjo Artist To Entertain AT EL Lions Xmas party

Banjo-playing Buddy Griffin will provide entertainment for the Eagle Lake Lions Club's annual ladies dinner and Christmas program Thursday, December 10th. The social will get underway at 7:00 p.m. at the Community Center.

Griffin, minister of activities at the First Baptist Church of Houston, has been featured on TV segments of the Hee Haw and Real People. He has traveled all over the world with his banjo to provide musical entertainment.

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