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Society News

Caudell, Miller wed

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Caudell, of Corcoran, California, formerly of Eagle Lake, are proud to announce the marriage of their daughter, Sheri, to Scott Miller, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Miller, also of Corcoran, California.

The couple were married in a double ring ceremony on February 26, 1983 at the Missionary Baptist Church in Corcoran with Rev. Mel McCann of the First Southern Baptist Church officiating. Wedding music was played on the piano by Chris Alcorn while Frank and Teresa Caudell, brother and sister-in-law of the bride, sang "Endless Love" and "The First Time is the Last Time", an original song written and composed by the bride's brother, Frank.

Sheri and Scott had chosen lavender and silver for their wedding colors and the church was decorated with baskets of lavender and violet flowers and ribbons. The church pews were

trimmed with lavender and silver bells and bows. Sheri was given in marriage by her father. She wore a full length ivory colored dress trimmed in lace and pearls. For her head, she chose a wide brimmed hat, which was beaded with pearls, flowers and a veil. The groom wore an ivory tuxedo with an ascot tie.

Maid of Honor, Robin Hill, wore a pale lavender floor length dress and carried a nosegay of lavender silk flowers. Other bride attendants were Sheri Aurand, Pollyanna Marquez, and Betty Marie Dunham. They wore violet colored dresses and carried a violet nosegay of silk flowers.

Serving as Best Man was Gabriel Casares. Other groom attendants were David Miller, Damon Atkin, and David Free. They all wore silver tuxedos with white shirts trimmed in purple.

The flower girl was

Leslie Caudell, niece of the bride. She wore a lavender dress and carried a lace basket of lavender silk flowers. Ring bearer was Richard Pimentel, cousin of the groom, who also wore a silver tuxedo.

Immediately following the wedding, a reception and dance was held at the Corcoran YMCA. The wedding cake was a beautiful three tier white cake with pineapple filling. It was decorated with tiny lavender flowers, purple bows and white roses. The band, Northwind, played for the dance and an enjoyable time was had for many relatives, friends, and out of town guests.

The bride and groom left the reception for a wedding trip to The Madonna Inn in San Luis Obispo and then down the southern coast of California. Upon their return they will reside in Atwater, California, where Scott is currently in the USAF stationed at Castle Air Force Base.



Mr. and Mrs. Scott Miller

Columbus hospital auxiliary to sponsor style show, lunch

The Columbus Hospital Auxiliary will sponsor a style show and luncheon, March 18 at the Columbus Community Hospital. Serving will start at 11:30 a.m. Mrs. Carol Key of the Style Shop will present her spring fashions.

Tickets are \$7.00 and may be purchased at the

Style Shop. Tickets must be purchased in advance. No tickets will be sold at the door.

Mrs. Betty Cady will be the announcer and models will be associate members of the auxiliary.

There will be a special event this year and also door prizes.

Post columnist to be speaker here

The Eagle Lake Study Club met at the Community Center on March 9 at 7:30 p.m. for its regular meeting.

The president, Mrs. Ray Cumberworth, called the meeting to order. Mrs. Joe Reed read the names of members nominated to be officers for the 1983-84 year which begins in September. Those nominated are the same as the current officers

with the exception of reporter. Mrs. Ralph Truly has been nominated for that position.

"The Spring President's Luncheon will be Tuesday, May 10 at the Community Center. Speaker for the day will be Lynn Ashby, a columnist from the Houston Post who is very much in demand as a speaker.

Mrs. Cumberworth then turned the meeting over to

Larry Cuddy and his accompanist. They entertained those present with banjo and guitar music, singing - and - humor. Everyone also enjoyed a juggling act. The audience joined in and sang the last number, "Amazing Grace."

The next meeting will be in the conference room of the Library at 2 p.m. on April 13. Dan Thornton will be the guest speaker.

Third Kubesch reunion held

The third annual Joseph and Stephanie Kubesch reunion was held Sunday, March 6 at the Nada Parish Hall. A covered dish buffet was served at noon to 46 persons in attendance.

After lunch, chairman Fred Kubesch called the meeting to order. Frieda Kubesch led the group in prayer in memory of all the deceased of the Kubesch family. Minutes were read by Lillian Gohlke. New business centered on having the reunion every two years rather than annually. Rosalie Wick put that into a motion and it passed. The next Kubesch reunion will be held in 1985 with three families serving as hosts: Henry Kubesch, Hermina Kubesch and Dorothy Saha.

The meeting closed with six door prizes awarded to Phyllis Meitzen, Ron and Kay Pruitt, Hermina Kubesch, Gilbert and Dorothy Saha, Connie Cranek, and Mark and Dianne Mozesek.

Guests attending the reunion traveled from Houston, Bay City, Lake Jackson, Friendswood, Wharton, El Campo, and Austin.

Lillian Gohlke, reporter

Receives Army medal

Sgt. 1st Class Wayne B. Barnes, Sr., son of Abram Barnes, Sr. of Houston and son-in-law of Lucille Boy of Eagle Lake, has been decorated with the third award of the Army Commendation Medal in West Germany.

The Army Commendation Medal is awarded to those individuals who demonstrate outstanding achievement or meritorious service in the performance of their duties on behalf of the Army.

Barnes, a computer operator with the 1st Infantry Division, is a 1967 graduate of Jack Yates Senior High School in Houston.



Texas-Exes scholarship

Jeanenne Williams, Thomas Cranek announce engagement

David Arthur, son of Mr. & Mrs. Pierce Arthur, received the annual Colorado County Texas Exes scholarship on Wednesday, March 2 at the yearly meeting of the Texas-Exes. He is a senior at Columbus High School, an honor student, and very active in sports and band.

David will be enrolling this fall at the University of Texas at Austin.

Mr. Cranek graduated from Texas State Technology Institute in Waco. He is engaged in farming.

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New Arrivals



Pfeffers welcome twin girls

Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Pfeiffer of Garwood are proud to announce the birth of twin baby girls. They arrived on March 5, 1983 at Gulf Coast Medical Center in Wharton.

The first born arrived at 10:21 p.m. and weighed six pounds and six ounces. She was named Amber Leigh.

The second born arrived at 10:25 p.m. and weighed seven pounds. She was given the name Amanda Heather.

They departed from the hospital on March 9 and were greeted at home by their older brother, Dean.

The proud grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Joe J. Kallina, Jr. of Garwood and Mr. and Mrs. Owen Pfeiffer of Eagle Lake. The great grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Joe Kallina, Sr. of Garwood, Mrs. Lorraine Livanne of New Taiton and Mr. and Mrs. E. Peschell of Nelsonville.

Brent Ryan Nelson born

Brent Ryan Nelson was born February 24 in the Bellville Hospital. He weighed 8 pounds and 6/10 ounces and was 19 inches long. He has one brother, Bradley John, two years old.

Parents are Mr. and Mrs. Travis Nelson.

Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Dittert of Cat Spring and Mr. and Mrs. Milton Nelson of Menz.

Debra Cooper honored at luncheon and bridal shower

Debra Lynn Cooper, bride-elect of Robert Sheppard, was honored by Mesdames Michael Grigar and William Farris with a luncheon and bridal shower, Tuesday, March 8 at The Farris 1912.

As guests arrived they were received by Mrs. Grigar, the honoree and her mother. During this time wine and iced punch were served. Later, all were seated in the parlors to visit as Debra opened her shower gifts.

For the luncheon hour guests were seated at tables skirted in floor length burgundy cloths centered with arrangements of lavender mums, pothos and purple wandering Jew in crystal vases. A collection of mixed patterns of bone china and antique hand painted dessert plates were used in place settings for the luncheon tables.

A menu of cheese souffle topped with shrimp and mushroom sauce, fresh seasonal fruit salad in a lettuce cup, lemon custard and garlic biscuits was served.

Special guests were the honoree's mother, Mrs. Harvey Cooper; her grandmothers, Mrs. Russell Cooper and Mrs. Mae Reagan; her aunts, Mrs. Milton Morton, Mrs. Harriet Wiese and Mrs. Milton Morton. The hostesses presented corsages of mixed spring flowers in lavender and purple tones to the honoree, her mother and grandmothers.

Hospital News

Patients [March 14]

Eagle Lake: Eulalia Ash-ton, Gladys Pidgeon, Hazel Dunlavy, Jacquelyn Clayton, Lola Albright, Walter H. Burrow, Joyce Stanek, John Puentes, Tillie Drymalla, Jesus Martinez, Connie Morales, Algernon Morehead, Randolph Buffington, Alice Glover, A. M. Blanco, Edna Maschock, Eva Marshall, David Montana, Ruby Jennings, Wallis Sotero Zavala, Myrtle Kubricht, Felix Martinez, Freida Kaschele, from Garwood; Norma Thomas, from Columbus; Rosie Williams, Callie Clemons, from Richmond; Robert Booker, from Altair; Clarence Jackson, from Houston; George Baker, from Sealy; Randy Dvorak, from Lissie; Marilynn Crane, from Sheridan; Helen Hancock, Clara M. Franklin, from Paige;

Dismissals

Eagle Lake: Mae Ella Nisels, Laura Riddick, Ora Baker, Baby Girl Scott, Ervin Rucka, Lucy Buffington, Claudette Powers, Ella Pettis, Genevieve Salinas, Mary Markus, Edward Matzke, Verna Richardson, Jane Luna, Peggy Pohl, Lloyd Dockery, Paul Kucherka, Nancy Torres, A. P. McNeil, Ginger Thorpe, Roosevelt Carson, Margaret Rodriguez and Baby Boy, Estefana R. Lopez, Gladys Samora, Janie Luna, Mary Norris.

Hallettsville: Roland J. Campbell, from Alletton; Oscar Brod, from Lissie; Frank Dittich, from Columbus; Kyle Burris, from Rock Island; Mabel Larsen, from East Bernard; Mary Helen Luna.

KC's plan gala Saint

Patrick's Dance March 20

Members of the Eagle Lake Council of the Knights of Columbus will stage their annual Saint Patrick's Dance in the Eagle Lake Community Center from 7 to 11 p.m. on Sunday, March 20.

Tickets may be purchased in advance for \$4 per person from any KC officer or by contacting Darrell Gertson at 234-5488 or you may purchase tickets at the door for \$5 per person.

Music for the event will be by The Velvets.

The public is invited to make plans to attend.

Sheridan science fair



Sheridan Science Fair projects were on display for Open House last Tuesday. Visitors viewed the projects with great interest. The projects displayed a wide variety of science skills as well as the patience and determination of the exhibitors.

Graham's project, "Which vacuum bottle keeps water hot the longest?" ranked first place in the fair. Second place was awarded to Sharra Querner for her project, "Will lecithin or multivitamin-multiminerals affect the human memory?" Rodney Laake placed third with "How direct and alternating current differs." Honorable mention was given to Kelly Ashley for her project, "Why should you wash your hands before you eat?"

First grade winners were Kelly Ashley, first place; Brandon Munoz, second place; and James Frenzel, third place.

Second grade winners: Jesse George, first; Aaron Machac, second; and Shane Laha, third.

Third grade winners: Kori Klein, first; Tamara Fuller, second; and Norman Botard, third.

Fourth grade winners: Laraina Pence, first; Roxanne Tesch, second; and Becky Faichtinger, third.

Fifth grade winners: Sharra Querner, first; DeWight Dondal, second; and Jennifer Hooper, third.

Sixth grade winners: Michael Graham, first; Rodney Laake, second; and Denise Soape, third.

Seventh grade winners: Shannon Pustelovsky, first; Traci Klein, second; and Shawn Wiese, third.

Eighth grade winners: Cheryl Murphy, first; Steve Antrich, second; and Jack Mayes, third.

Our thanks to Mr. DeShazo and Mr. Bean for judging the projects.

AAUW held election March 3

The Eagle Lake branch of the American Association of University Women met at the home of Delores Grammer the evening of March 3 for a business meeting.

In the absence of Rose Lange, secretary, Elizabeth Boothe read the minutes of the previous meeting. Sandra Rodgers gave the treasurer's report and announced that \$243.50 had been realized from the bake sale held in conjunction with the Rotary Pancake Supper in February. Ms. Rodgers will accept payment of 1983-84 dues at her office.

The group elected the following who were recommended by the nominating committee to serve for the 1983-84 year: Carol Edwards, first vice-

president (program chairman), and Sandra Rodgers, treasurer. Edwards led a discussion concerning persons who would be interested in joining the local unit.

It was decided to have a membership promotional tea in September, at which time each member is to bring one guest who may be interested in joining the local unit.

The Eagle Lake members will be guests of the Wharton branch on April 5. The meeting will be in the auditorium of the Johnson Health Center at Wharton County Junior College. The speaker will be Joe Tom Davis, a member of the W.C.J.C. faculty, who will speak on the subject of "Women in Texas History."

During the social hour the hostess served pistachio cake, parfait mint wafers, and coffee or tea. The serving table was attractively decorated in the St. Patrick's Day motif.

RR commission to close station here

The Railroad Commission has approved the request of the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railway Company to close its agency stations at Eagle Lake and Wharton and serve customers there through a regional freight agency at Bay City.

Customer service will be available 24 hours per day via a toll-free telephone line to the Bay City agency. Railroad company personnel will go to shippers facilities at Eagle Lake and Wharton on request to sign shipper order bills of lading and to inspect damages.

Santa Fe was also authorized to dismantle the depot building at Wharton. No shippers protested the Santa Fe application.

Before a rail company is allowed to close one of its agency stations, it must prove to the Railroad Commission that the public will not be adversely affected.

Schedule changed for DL

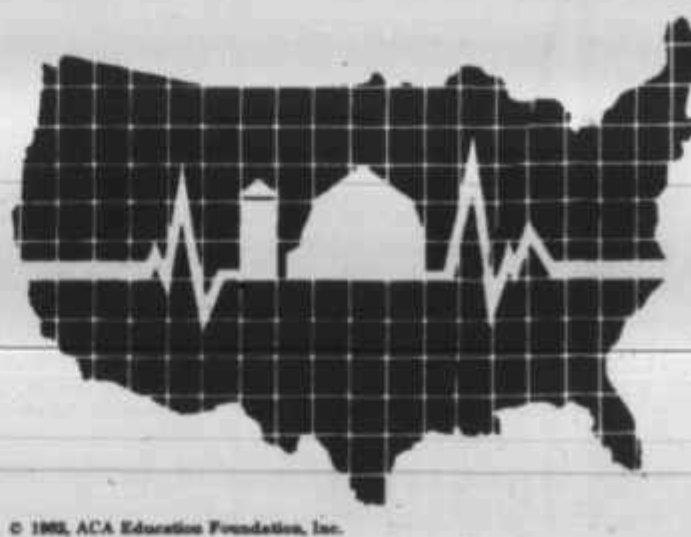
The Driver License service of the Department of Public Safety has announced a change in its Columbus schedule.

Captain Joe B. Roberts, Commander of the Driver License Service in the Houston Region, advises the change will become effective April 1, 1983.

Here to fore, a Driver License Trooper was available every Friday to conduct road tests for those applying for a Texas Driver License. Captain Roberts said beginning April 1, 1983, this service will only be offered from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Mondays.

Captain Roberts said other services such as renewals and changes of address will be processed by the clerk who will be on duty from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday.

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Patteson to retire April 15

E. W. Patteson, District Judge of the Second 25th Judicial District, has announced his retirement from that office effective April 15, 1983. Patteson said:

"The time has come for me to claim those retirement benefits which have accrued to me by reason of tenure and age.

"I wish to thank the people for permitting me to serve as an elected official for over 32 years. I have enjoyed working with the people, a privilege both gratifying and fulfilling. It has also been my good fortune to work with a strong bar in each of our four counties.

"I have received great courtesy and much help from many, many people during the years I have served as a public official, and I leave with best wishes and a hearty 'thank you' to the people of our district."

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*Other children visit from 1:30 to 3:00 p.m.
Photographer will be available to take pictures of the children visiting with the Easter Bunny for a nominal fee.

Free Prize Drawings April 2

Persons 18 years and older will begin registering March 26 for a \$100 grand prize and five \$10 gift certificates to be awarded at 1:30 p.m., Saturday, April 2. The Easter Bunny will draw names of winners in front of the Municipal Building. No purchase required to register. You MUST be present to win grand prizes but you do not have to be present to win in-store prizes.

Register where you see the Yellow Easter Bunny Poster at Chamber of Commerce member stores only!!