

Sights and Sounds of Broadway

The cast and crew of more than 70 members of the Stafford Opera House Company's "Sights and Sounds of Broadway" have this year's production shaped into another exciting addition to the 23rd annual Magnolia Homes Tour.

Twenty-four numbers featuring songs, dances and comedy from the best known New York Broadway musicals are ready for your enjoyment. The production has been created and staged by Angie Giddens, assisted by Ruth Terry and Lil Stallman.

This show may be remembered more than others since work will begin later this month on the installation of air conditioning. "That's what we've been working for all these years," Terry said, who also is the 1984 opera house company president. All proceeds from the show go to the opera house's restoration.

Saturday the show begins at 7:30 p.m. with the presentation of the 1984 Magnolia Belles. Charlene Anderson is chairman of the Belles this year and Lil Stallman will be commentator.

Sunday evening the show starts at 8 p.m. Tickets are available at the door, and on the square during the weekend. Tickets for Saturday's performance are \$7 for adults and \$3 for children under 12. Sunday they are \$6 and \$3.

Bill Huth will be emcee; Mrs. Giddens and Mrs. Carol Janak of Weimar Musical accompaniment will be by Dick Barton and Charles Barrett. Here is a line-up of this year's show:

Grand Opening: "There's no business like Show Business," by the company and the Harle Dancers. "The Sound of Music," Kelly Glasse. "Do Re Mi," Colleen Haley and children (see photo). "Climb Every Mountain," Kathleen Schindler. "Anything You Can Do I Can Do Better," Lori Vail and Chris Ross. A 40's medley, The Dreamers. "New York, New York," Lyndia Engstrom. "There's Nothing Like a Dame," "I'm Gonna Wash That Man Right Outta My Hair," "Ma, Mame, Melissa Hunt." "Yankee Doodle Boy," "Harle Dancers." "I Can't Say No," Julie Ruffeno. "Get Me To The Church on Time," Don Spitznberger and Bobby Hunt. "Hello Dolly," Ruth Terry and Waiters. "Wouldn't It Be Lovely," Colleen Haley. "Mame," Lyndia Engstrom and dancers. "If I Were a Rich Man," Carl Mientz. "Can't Help Lovin' That Man of Mine," Marsha Miller. "Dance," Nicki Harle. "My Cup Runneth Over," Duane Kerr. "I Loved You," Marion Henkhaus. "Ziegfeld Girl," pretty girls. "Let Me Entertain You," Charwomen, and the Finale: "Give My Regards To Broadway," by the company.



Lyndia Engstrom, of Garwood, fourth from left, is one of the members of the cast of Sights and Sounds of Broadway to be staged this weekend in Columbus to benefit the restoration of the Stafford Opera House.



Show director Angie Giddens talks with Emcee Bill Huth and curtain girl Cathy Blymeyer as they discussed stage placement during Friday night's dress rehearsal. At right is Steve Jefferies, who provides and operates the sound system.

Attention Garden Club members: There will be a covered lunch at Mrs. Esther Sunderman's home on Wednesday, May 23 at noon. Come early if you can and bring a large bowl of some kind of vegetable or salad. If you like, two persons can go together and make the same dish. Mrs. Sunderman will furnish drinks and dessert. Mrs. Carter and I will bring some kind of meat dish. After lunch, there will be a meeting and new officers will be selected for the coming year and new books will be discussed. Your President

Garden Club lunch May 23

Eagle Lake Police remain busy

Jimmy Holtz, owner of Sunnyside Drive-In, reported a theft of a carton of worms to Eagle Lake police officials May 7 at 2 p.m.

For some time now the store has been subject to people combining one box of worms with another and paying for one carton, according to the report. Last Monday, two suspects came to the counter and purchased two cartons of worms and a third empty carton was found. Investigating officers were chief Charles Coulter and officer Albert Martin.

Leo Kretschmar of 701 E. State reported missing six antique coal oil lamps, assorted china dishes, and Nordic by Syracuse and dresses while his wife is in the hospital.

According to investigating officer Martin, the suspect gained entry thru an unlocked door, continued upstairs, opened a window and unlatched the screen to remove the items.

Between May 9-10 the warehouse of Alamo Lumber was shot in all eight windows with an air rifle. The company is located at 507 E. Main. Investigating officer was Martin.

Op May 11 from 8:9 p.m., Robert Earl Mason summoned police in regard to boys tearing down a basketball goal at his court, located in a vacant lot next to "D" Street. The boys tore down the goal in play and then left. Investigating officer was Martin.

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"Paul Ruiz, 21, of Eagle Lake was arrested for making alcoholic beverages available to a minor. He paid a \$119 fine and was released.

"Francis Marion Wilson, 38, of Sheridan was arrested for driving while intoxicated. He was transferred to the Colorado County Sheriff's Department.

"Edward Gandelach, 18, of Eagle Lake was arrested for minor in possession of alcoholic beverages. He paid a \$69 fine and was released.

"Billy Bob Hatten, 32, of Eagle Lake was arrested on outstanding warrants. He paid a fine and was released.

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ELHS Class of '34 reunion this weekend at Farris

The first, and probably the only, reunion for the senior class of 1934 of Eagle Lake High School is scheduled this weekend at the Farris 1912.

Fifty years ago 29 young men and women graduated on May 25, 1934. On Saturday, 17 from that class will begin their two-day reunion. Seven of the 29 are deceased, one has not been located and four could not attend the weekend's festivities.

According to Joe Frazar Jr., a member of the class, "The group graduated during the deepest part of the great depression but all managed to live productive lives in spite of graveled streets, no air conditioning, rattle-trap cars, one major world war and small town phobias."

Those scheduled to attend, and their present addresses, are: Davis Campbell, Longview; Edith Clipson, Gilbert; Livingston; Josephine; Elkins Paul, San Antonio; Ruth Hayden Hillier, Houston; Ivey Ham, Houston; Ford E. Ham, Houston; Charlie Jochet, Wharton; Frank C. Kallina, San Antonio; Eldora Michaels Mattern, Columbus; Clifford Pickett, Alvin; Russell H. Reese, Jr., Eagle Lake; Edmund Schindler, Eagle Lake; Lloyd Spalding, Eagle Lake; Thelma Stahl Fendley, Brookshire; Douglas Swearingen, Houston; Alvin Wiese, Eagle Lake; and Frazar, Eagle Lake.

Frazar took the time to do some research in the David and Eula Wintermann Library, and has compiled this history of the class:

The charter members of this class started the first class on September 5, 1923, in what is now the fellowship room of the Masonic Hall on the square in downtown Eagle Lake. Our first grade teacher was a beautiful young lady by the name of Mrs. Boyd. Then Mrs. Mattie Mersfelder taught us, as well as many of our parents, in the second grade.

However, we attended the first semester of the second grade in the upstairs of the McCarty building over the pool hall. The last semester we moved into the new Eagle Lake High School building that we all remember so well. So much for the makeshift classrooms, except to say that our desks in the second grade were orange and apple crates when we were downtown.

Our first full year in the new school building was in the third grade where we had a beautiful young teacher, fresh out of college and a hometown girl, Miss Myra Weldon Davis (Josephine Elkins, Frank Dromgoole and Joe Frazar were her cousins—that's how they passed). The multiplication tables were her forte. About this time, Eagle Lake High School was taken over by a "Bear" (Supt. W. C. Reed) and believe me brothers and sisters, he did establish discipline. We were taught by Miss Pharr in the fourth grade and as I recall she was a very small, delightfully plump young blonde who was sweet on Mr. Max Conner, the local Justice of the Peace.

Then another local miss taught us in the fifth grade. Her name was Miss Lottie Vincent and she was a rather strict disciplinarian.

The sixth grade subjects were taught by Mrs. Nat Holman. Mrs. Holman drilled us very well in Texas history.

Then came the big seventh grade which was taught by the very capable Mrs. Gail Kolberg. We were sure she was an expert in every subject. Civics and current events as well as math were her main dishes. It was at this time that the new size United States currency was introduced, but we didn't have too many dollars. In May of 1933 we graduated from grammar school and moved into high school which as you may recall was the entire second floor of the school building. It was literally "high school."

Because our class was so good we graduated from high school in four years, making a total of 11 years of education (it now takes 12 years to learn what we

Eyes turning to June 2 for runoff elections

In the wake of one of the closest elections in Texas history, Capitol eyes are turning to the June 2 runoff elections and the special legislative session promised after them.

In the Texas Senate, no incumbents were defeated in the primaries. The Austin seat still remains contested in a runoff between Gonzalo Barrientos, a state representative, and former Travis County District Attorney Margaret Moore.

In the Texas House, two incumbents were defeated, Jimmy Mankins of Kilgore and Chuck Word, Jr. of Meridian, while six incumbents are among the 13 runoff elections. About half of the seats will go unopposed in the November election.

At week's end, a recount of votes in the Democratic primary election for U.S. Senate left the order of finish unchanged with Kent Hance, first; Lloyd Doggett, second; and Bob Krueger, third. Only a few hundred votes separated the winner at 31.25 percent from the loser with 31.11 percent.

While - Republicans remained fairly calm or silent, after election results were tallied, several key Democrats raised their voices to protest - their party's caucus system in favor of a binding primary election, where delegates are apportioned according to popular vote.

The president of the Texas Democratic Party County Chairman's Association announced he would ask the party to provide for a binding primary in the presidential election.

State Rep. Sam Russell, D-Mount Pleasant, stated his plans to file a bill in the regular session providing for a binding primary in the presidential election.

The chairman of presidential candidate Jesse Jackson's Texas organization, State Rep. Al Edwards of Houston, announced his intent to file numerous delegate challenges at district and county conventions around the state. He said, many Jackson supporters were excluded from precinct conventions statewide.

A Fort Worth Star-Telegram poll taken after Election Day indicated 76 percent favored holding a direct, binding presidential primary while 24 percent favored the caucus system.

Computers a part of everyday life now

Computers, once considered the wave of the future, are now a part of everyday life. The need for computer literacy is becoming widely recognized. Computer education is now being introduced in elementary and high schools, as well as in some preschools.

What does this mean for the very young? Will a child's opportunity for success tomorrow depend on learning to use the computer today?

"Without doubt, when our children grow up, computers will play an important role in their lives. As educators and parents, we need to determine not if, but when and how to acquaint our children with computers," says Philip A. Clement, president of DeVry Inc., one of the largest networks of postsecondary technical educational institutes in North America. The DeVry Institutes offer degree and diploma programs in Electronics Technology and Computer Science for Business.

According to Mr. Clement, parents need not fear their children will be second-class citizens in the job market if they are not "computer literate" at an early age.

"In fact, the opposite may be true. By pushing children too far and too fast, parents and educators may cause children to feel frustration, self-doubt and guilt, say some child development experts.

Fortunately, a middle ground between too little and too much exposure to computers is emerging. That middle ground is the career choices of young people, says Mr. Clement.

He says teenage boys now earn computer-related electronics fields as their number one career choice; teenage girls rank the fields fourth on their list of preferred careers.

"Job prospects for these young people are good, and the demand should continue to grow," Mr. Clement says.

Local communications workshop scheduled

"I feel like I'm talking to a brick wall every time I talk to my spouse. It's like, moon and dad know that I'm saying something, but they don't seem to hear what I'm saying."

Have you ever had the feeling that no one was listening to you? Or that even though someone was speaking to you, you couldn't quite understand what they were saying? Well, if you have ever experienced either of these two situations, you have experienced a breakdown in communication.

Communication is one of the greatest possessions we as humans have. It is through our ability to speak with one another, and listen to one another, that we can share our thoughts and feelings, and grow personally and as a family or community.

Unfortunately though, we tend to move away from communicating with one another as we grow up.

—Thus it is that we see an increase in separation and divorce in marriage; and a rise in hostility and stress in families and communities. For, it seems we don't take time to talk and communicate with one another. And when we do take the time, then we may not listen to what is being said.

It is with the hope then that we might grow in our communications and listening skills that a workshop is being taught on this subject. The workshop will be held at Grace Lutheran Church on the corner of Stevenson and Clark, at 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, May 30. Rev. Paul Krupicka will be conducting the workshop. It is free of charge, and open to the public. All who would like to improve and grow in their communications skills are cordially invited to attend.

Commissioners Court

and it might not even benefit them. Siles expressed that it's an invasion of privacy allowing authorities from the federal government to survey every foot of land to sample soil, whether they want it done or not.

"We need some type of designation on prime farm land to keep it safe from the federal government," in the case of building dams, highways, pipelines, etc., Jeffrey said.

Court members agreed to table the item until further information is obtained from Soil Conservation authorities from local and state levels.

Donna C. Farris, chief probation officer with the 25th judicial district gave a progress report to court officials. She emphasized the rehabilitation of juvenile delinquents, ages 10-16. We're trying to take the term of criminality away from the juvenile process, because we don't want the children to carry that stigma with them the rest of their lives, Farris said.

Farris said that 79 juveniles were referred to her service in 1983; and only 45 were referred in 1982. She told court members that the most common offense is burglaries, followed by assault charges.

In other matters, commissioners:

- *Accepted the resignation of Gus Srouce from the Veterans Land Board.
- *Appointed Delmar Fehrenkamp, with the Columbus State Bank to serve on the Veterans Land Board.

*Authorized the advertising of road paving bids for a double coat for the parking lot next to the County Sheriff's Department, and to seal coat the Circle Drive at the Courthouse.

*Approved a request from the County Sheriff to purchase one radar unit for patrol car utilization. Members also authorized the Sheriff to make public notice of two 1978 Ford DPS cars for sale that were not traded in when the new patrol vehicles were purchased.

*Approved the request of Commissioner Loessin to advertise the selling of following Precinct 1 equipment: a 1973 3/4 ton International, and three or four cattle guards.

*Announced that June 11 will start opening bids for three new ambulance units. The speculation committee will meet 4 p.m., Friday at Courthouse for further discussion.

*Allotted \$2,100 to Commissioner Loessin to purchase six adjacent lots in Rock Island to expand County Precinct 1 headquarters. The lots are 25x140 feet.

*Granted permission to John Barta to cross a county road with pipeline in Shirley Oaks Subdivision. Precinct 1 when request requirements are fulfilled.

*Recognized the proposal of Sn Bernard Electric Cooperative, Inc., seeking to erect a power line along Zimmerscheid Road.

*Reported that there has been two accounts of rabid skunks in Colorado County. Cranek urges pet owners to have their animals vaccinated.

*Agreed to have the County Auditor pay EMS (Emergency Medical Service) instructor fees for a class conducted in Columbus last month. A total of 25 students completed the course at a cost of \$40 per student, plus book charges. Out of 25 students, only 12 remain on the Columbus volunteer ambulance corps.

There were 15 runs by the Columbus ambulance unit in the month of April. Weimar had 26 and Eagle Lake, 50.

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Hospital News

Patients (May 14)
Eagle Lake: Edwin Uhlig, Floyd Owens, Anna Kocurek, Evelyn Watkins, Pauline Lira, Sabino Cordova, Emelie Cooper, Beatrice Torres, Rosalie Jochet, Inocencio Marquez, Evelyn Miller, Grady Spradley, Pamela Banks, Marie Stephens, Ruth Wines, Mary Lou Birdwell.

Clarendon: from La Grange: Jesus Soto; from Hallettsville: Brad Leopold; from Houston: Raymond Roberts; from Columbus: Henry Toliver, David Rester, Erma Jones, Pamela Supak; from Boling: Patrio Garcia; from Brookshire: Melissa Hanns; from Sealy: Marilee Jordan, James George; from Garwood: Melanie Labay; from Rock Island: Bertha Hooper.

Dismissals
Eagle Lake: Petra Alaniz, Manuela Blanco, George Brown, E. J. Parva, Oliver Matthews, Iva Lee Johnson, Mary

Marvin's
of Altair
is now open
Summer Hours
opens at 5 pm
Wednesday-Saturday

The seasonal flower bed on the town square is in full bloom with petunias and copper plants. A bulb mart is scheduled for this fall.

Dr. Laughlin
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Laughlin Memorial Hospital. That hospital formally opened on June 14, 1962, and was dedicated to the memory of his father, John Rufus Laughlin.

Mr. Thomas continued in remarks: "Dr. J. R. Laughlin operated the hospital, kept everything going. There was many a day when I think that the doctor was a lot sicker than the patients he cared for but he never let up.

"Those were the days, Doctor, that most of us here recall. This is the reason for our being here today, to say thank you for the wonderful way that you have taken care of this community and the surrounding communities."

Garden club plans mart

The Civic Garden Club of Eagle Lake met Monday, May 7. Guest speaker was Miles Murphy, a lawn care specialist from Houston. He gave an interesting talk on when to fertilize your lawn and what insecticides to use to treat specific problems.

Yearbooks were passed out to members, and anyone not present at the