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Cassie Anderson, Clint Wishert honored on birthdays

Cassie Anderson, daughter of Steve and Kathleen Anderson of Houston, and Clint Wishert, son of Chris and Sandy Wishert of Nade, were both honored on their birthdays on Saturday, June 15 with a party by their parents at the honorees' grandparents river camp.

Cassie, whose birthday was June 15, turned one year old while Clint's birthday being originally on June 20, turned two.

Balloons and streamers were strung throughout the trees in the picnic area. The two themes of the children's party were "Muppet Babies" for Cassie and "Sesame Street" for Clint.

The afternoon was spent swimming, playing ball, visiting with relatives and friends and taking home movies.

A barbecue supper and all the trimmings was served to approximately 50 guests. After supper Cassie blew out her candles on her "Muppet Babies" cake while Clint blew out his on his "Sesame Street" cake. Both cakes were made by Clint's great aunt, Jeanette Wishert, from El Campo.

All enjoyed watching the two little ones opening their gifts. Cassie received a "Patooty Doll" and animal wagon from her parents and Clint received a swing set from his parents.

Special guests were the honorees' grandparents, Joe and Irene Sveda of Nade and Clint's other grandparents, Oliver and Bernice Wishert of El Campo.

Other guests came from Houston, Katy, El Campo, Eagle Lake and Nade.

Becky Gertson became the bride of Billy Moulder

The Castle Hills Christian Church of San Antonio was full of family and friends on June 8 as Becky Gertson and Billy Moulder were married in a formal ceremony.

The bride, radiant in an anti bellum wedding gown was given away by her father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Gertson.

The maid of honor, Carol Wyatt, was a former roommate of the bride. The groom chose his father, Bill Moulder, also of San Antonio, as his best man.

Attendants from Eagle Lake were Susan Kaluz, bridesmaid; Andy Gertson, groomsmen; Cori Gertson, flower girl and Ralph Gertson III, ring bearer. Ushers were friends from San Antonio.

Andy Gertson, brother of the bride, was the soloist. He sang "Truly" and "Time in a Bottle." Mark Crank of Austin accompanied him and provided all the traditional wedding music.

Reception follows

The reception following the ceremony was held in the banquet room of the Holiday Inn North. Ravishly decorated trays of finger foods, a five-tiered bride's cake and a German chocolate groom's cake were served to guests. Champagne punch and draft beer was provided through the night as a country band played for the dance.

The happy couple spent their honeymoon in the Bahamas. They will continue to reside in San Antonio.

Rehearsal dinner

After the rehearsal on June 7, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Moulder were hosts to all the wedding attendants and families at the

Wedding day brunch

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Porter,



Mrs. Billy Moulder

Texas Tumbleweed. A chicken fried steak dinner and dancing were the highlight of the evening.

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Brune and Holub married

Miss Elena Sophia Brune of Columbus and John Edward Holub of Schulenburg exchanged wedding vows on Saturday, June 15 at St. Paul's Lutheran Church. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thurman E. Brune of Columbus and the groom's parents are Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie E. Holub of Schulenburg. The Headlight erroneously stated John as being John Edward Holt and should have been John Edward Holub.

Celebrates 88th birthday

On Tuesday, June 18, Mrs. Elizabeth Walker, of Eagle Lake, celebrated her 88th birthday. After Mrs. Walker opened her gifts, everyone joined in singing, "Happy Birthday," then two birthday cakes, cold drinks and coffee were served.

Those attending were Mr. and Mrs. Earl Braden Sr. of Eagle Lake; Mr. and Mrs. Willie Walker of Rosenberg; Mrs. Paul Hattermann of Weimar; Mrs. Pete Brasseaux of Port Lavaca; Mr. and Mrs. Chester McGeehee and Mrs. J. J. Case and daughters of Alleyton.

Brian Hadley celebrates 4th birthday with party

On Saturday afternoon, June 22 from 3 to 4:30, eleven children helped Brian Hadley celebrate his fourth birthday given by parents, Dwight and Susan Hadley.

Upon arriving the guests played on the swing set and some enjoyed playing T-ball. Then the children participated in an egg race and everyone received a prize. Later everyone watched Brian open his gifts and then his guests sang "Happy Birthday" as he blew out the four candles atop his train engine cake, which was decorated by his mom.

Everyone then enjoyed cake, sandwiches, chips, dip and punch.

Enjoying the afternoon were his cousin, Stephanie Braden and friends Reba Canalis, Coy Sunderman, Kelli and Rachel Matthews, Dean, Amanda and Amber Pfeiffer, Kristi and T.J. Luedcke and Barrett Thomas. Also attending was Mrs. Earl L. Braden Sr., Brian's grandmother.

Upon departing, each of the honoree's guests received a paddle ball. Brian's actual birthday was June 18.

Lasseter, Brown plan nuptials

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry C. Lasseter of Fort Worth are proud to announce the engagement of their daughter, Michelle Lynn to Carl Gene Brown, son of Mr. and Mrs. Gene F. Brown of Eagle Lake.

Michelle is a 1984 graduate of Connally High School in Waco. Carl is a 1984 graduate of Rice High School and is attending TSTI in Waco.

The wedding will be on July 27 at four o'clock in the afternoon at the First Baptist Church in Eagle Lake.

Museum Notes

Adjacent to the well-equipped simulated blacksmith shop with the sign bearing the information "Randall-Village Smithy" is another reminder of the not too distant past — a simulated water well complete with hinged cover, pulley, and rope. At present there is a water cylinder for a bored well attached to the rope; however, we hope to have an old bucket to attach soon. The curator plans to construct a simulated bored well which will be an appropriate setting for the cylinder. All this writing about the wells reminds the writer of an old poem read, recited, and sung years ago — "The Old Oaken Bucket" by Samuel Woodworth. Yes, Rollin Baker and Elizabeth Boothe can call to memory several lines from this poem. I wonder if children today memorize poetry as we did years ago.

The Prairie Edge Museum now has two old pianos, one of which is quite ornate. These are on loan from Frederick and Ed Priemeyer. How nice it would be to be able to use these for our musical numbers before and during intermissions of our melodramas. Remember, we plan to present one of these this fall and one next spring.

I believe I saw an old corn sheller like the one recently donated by Nolan Renz, son of the late August Renz, on a recent "Eyes of Texas" show. This is quite an interesting piece of farm machinery. A child's bed is a recent donation from this same family. We would like to simulate an old bedroom setting so if you have furniture suitable for this type of display why not donate or lend it to the museum. We have lots of old kitchen "furniture" and a number of appliances.

Gordon Birdwell has loaned a brass horn leather saddle. Louis Schorlemmer Jr. donated a scythe. Helyn and Bill Farris gave us a large section from an oak tree on their property which is on Farm Road 102.

Be sure to see the following items in two of our display cases:

1. A bottle containing a sample of oil from the first producing well in Colorado County, the No. 1 Ream in May 1933. The Plymouth Oil Co. was the drilling firm. This sample is a donation of Franklin Reese.

2. A silver-plated child's drinking cup which was a souvenir of the World's Fair in St. Louis in 1904. It was brought home to Eagle Lake as a gift from Kate, Christine and Ethel Davis for their sister Myra Weldon Davis. The cup is through the courtesy of Mrs. J.W. Shacklett.

3. A copy of "From Alleyton to Houston by Train." This interesting account was written by Lt. Col. A.J.L. Fremantle of this memorable journey in 1933.

4. Nails and spikes that held an old ferry boat together. The old landing was from Womack land and crossed to Vogeliland on west side to Altair and Garwood. (I do not know the name of the ferry.) The artifacts were donated by Elmo Werla of Altair.

5. A 55-gallon gasoline drum from the old Eagle Lake Grain Co., owned by G.E. and S.O. Boothe. They were agents for the Sinclair Oil Co.

Dorothy Elkins Cox of Sugar Land and Grace Elkins Hutchings of Houston, recent visitors, are interested in placing some items of interest

in the museum. They are interested in our sesquicentennial projects.

With summer vacation time here, we hope many of you will visit our museum. The regular hours are 2-5 p.m. on Saturdays and Sundays. Remember that special tours can be scheduled by calling 524-0962.

Elizabeth Boothe, reporter

Jesse Speck family reunion June 16

The family of the late Jesse A. Speck held a family reunion June 16 at the Rock Island school gym.

The late Mr. Speck came to Texas from Nebraska with his

family in the early 1900's, settling in the Rock Island area. Later his family returned to Nebraska, but Mr. Speck chose to stay. On June 17, 1914 he married Miss Ida May Adams in Hallettsville. Mrs. Speck

recently celebrated her 90th birthday. She is a resident of Sweetbriar Nursing Home in Columbus.

Mr. and Mrs. Speck's seven children, all surviving, are Retha (Speck) Spindler of Columbus; John Speck of Rock Island; Gladys (Speck) Owers of Rock Island; Harvey L. Speck of Columbus; twins, Nelda (Speck) Baker of Sheridan and Melba (Speck) DeFoor of Rock Island, and Jesse G. Speck of Conway, Arkansas.

At the noon hour a covered dish dinner with barbecue chicken and sausage, prepared by R.W. Maertz and family, was enjoyed by the family. Picture taking and sharing old photos, also proved to be most enjoyable. Those not having to return home gathered at the H.L. Baker's in Sheridan, where they are building their new home. Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Speck invited the family to have an early breakfast at their home in Columbus, Monday morning, consisting of homemade buttermilk biscuits and sausage gravy, prepared by Harvey, before saying good-bye to the Jesse G. Speck's of Arkansas.

Those registering for the reunion were Ida May Speck, Harvey and Mary Speck, and Cherry and David Johnson, all of Columbus; Laverne and Jay Speck and Beverly (Speck) Graham and Heather, all of Conway, Arkansas; Roy, Linda, Leonard and Brian Baker of North Rich, Texas; Terrell and Robin Maertz, Marcella and R.W. Maertz Jr. and Travis Maertz, all of Alleyton; Alan, Janet, Jeremy, Daniel and Adam Speck of Rollingwood, Texas; Sonya Owers and Gilbert and Theresa Escobar of Victoria; Tommy, Karen, Jason and Jamie Speck of Caldwell, Kerry, Ernie and Jeremy Barnett of Palestine; Gayle and Lee Speck of Houston; Keith, Wanda, Micah and Mandi Webb of Pinehurst; Hume and Nelda Baker of Sheridan; Buster and Melba DeFoor, Gladys and Cecil Owers, Lonnie, Doris, Lisa, Shannon, Brad and Nicole Owers, John and Evelyn Speck, Jeremy Speck, Barbara, Andrew and Rueben Taylor and Rex, Betty, Glen, Carrie and Jim Speck, all of Rock Island.

**1985 YOUTH AGAINST CANCER CONFERENCE
SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS**



Locals back 'Youth Against Cancer'

Rice FHA advisor, Mrs. Jennifer Brown and selected student, Cheryl Semora (pictured above) represented the Rice High School Unit of the American Cancer Society at the organization's eighth annual Youth Against Cancer (YAC) conference June 20-21 at Trinity University in San Antonio.

The Rice FHA delegates joined over 250 fellow youth and adult representatives from throughout Texas at the two-day meeting designed to involve high school students in local cancer control activities.

In addition to sessions on how to conduct Great American

Smokeout activities and public education programs, the delegates reviewed success stories on fund raising events and heard from fellow students on "Why I Back YAC."

A highlight of the conference was the presentation of an actual cancer case history — as presented by Ken Lazarus, M.D., a pediatric oncologist in San Antonio. This was followed by the teenage patient involved in the case sharing her experience in having successfully fought the disease.

"It was both educational and motivational," said Miss Brown. "I feel like we all learned a great deal about cancer, how to detect it and fight it. We also learned there is a great deal youth can do."

Youth Against Cancer was organized in Texas by the American Cancer Society in 1977. The program has grown from 75 organized YAC groups that year to over 200 groups today, including FHA-HERO chapters which have taken on the program as an annual service project.

Chavis finishes automotive service technician course

Will Spencer Chavis, son of Mr. and Mrs. Willis Chavis of Garwood, received his diploma on June 25 with a one hundred percent award in the automotive service technician course at American Trade Institution in Dallas.

He is a 1972 graduate of Rice High School in Altair and is now employed at Sun & Sun in Dallas. He and his wife, Rose, and son, Dallas live in Lancaster.

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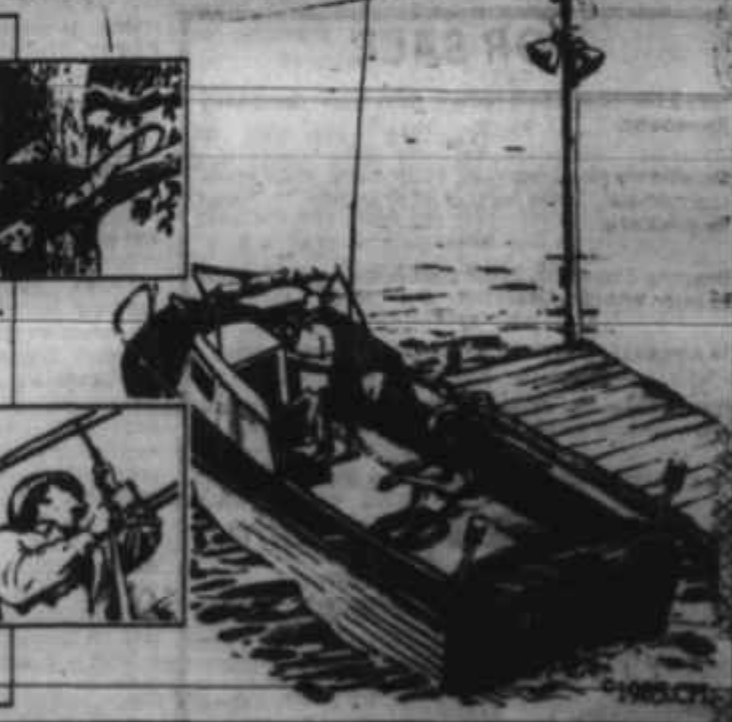
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