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Showers honor Michelle Lasseter

A miscellaneous "Come and Go" shower was given Saturday, July 20 from 9:30 to 11 a.m. in honor of Michelle Lasseter, bride-elect of Carl Gene Brown. The shower was held in the home of Mrs. Frank Higgins.

Guests were greeted at the door by Michelle and Mrs. Gene Brown, mother of the groom-to-be.

Many lovely gifts were displayed in the kitchen area, and guests enjoyed visiting and meeting the honoree.

The refreshment table was covered with a white lace cloth and centered with a pink and burgundy silk floral arrangement. A delicious array of cheese wafers, cinnamon rolls, assorted cookies, punch and coffee were served.

Hostesses were Mrs. Frank Bowen, Mrs. Major Benge, Mrs. W.L. Bauer, Mrs. Charles Darnell, Mrs. Marcus Gunter, Mrs. Jack Grammer, Mrs. Melburn Sibley, Mrs. Alton Kingsley, Mrs. Charles Spalinger and Mrs. Melvin Stanclk.

TUPPERWARE SHOWER

Michelle Lasseter was honored with a Tupperware shower at the home of Mrs. Scott Powers in Eagle Lake on July 12 at 7:30 p.m.

Upon arrival the honoree and Mrs. Gene Brown, mother of the future groom, were presented with pink corsages, chosen color of the bride-to-be.

Mrs. Debbie K[illegible]na displayed a variety of Tupperware and guests chose various pieces to present as gifts to the honoree.

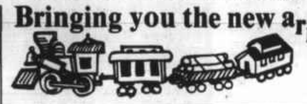
The refreshment [illegible] covered with a white [illegible] and centered with a [illegible] floral arrangement. Cake, assorted sandwiches and fresh fruit salad was served.

Hostesses were Mrs. Scott Powers, Mrs. Clark Powers, Mrs. Robert Griffith, Mrs. Case Hollub, Mrs. David Baird and Mrs. Randy Sanders.

Mis Quince Anos

Becky Ann Almanza was honored Saturday for her Mis Quince Anos, her 15th birthday, held for her by her parents Mr. and Mrs. Steve (Yolanda) Almanza Jr., and sponsors. More than 300 guests enjoyed the day that included church services at Our Lady of Guadalupe at 2:30 p.m.; a reception from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. at the Community Center, and a dance from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Community Center featuring The Good Time Band. Her parents said they wished to express their thanks to everyone who helped, especially the sponsors Michelle Sosa, Alicia Alaniz, Belinda Alaniz, Laura Luna, Dana Cordova, Wendy Lavis, Suzanne Corman, Christina Smith, Iris Cumpian, Kandie Almanza, Lori Flores, Jo Ann Torres, Jennifer Alvarado and Melinda Torres. Her sister, Kelly Marie Almanza, age 6, was the ring bearer, and Bilie Jean Saizar was the crown bearer. Victoria Almanza, Becky's grandmother, was one of the many relatives who attended.

Bringing you the new arrivals



Jeffery Lipperdts welcome son

Mr. and Mrs. Jeffery Scott Lipperdt, of Eagle Lake, announce the birth of their first child, a son, born on July 26 at 4:44 a.m. at the Eagle Lake Community Hospital. The baby was named Michael Wayne Lipperdt and weighed seven pounds one ounce.

Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Wendell Ward, of Eagle Lake. Paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. H.W. Lipperdt, of Eagle Lake. Great grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. R.R. Buffington Sr. of Eagle Lake, Mrs. M.L. Ward of Keene, Mr. and Mrs. H.A. Lipperdt of Columbus and Mrs. H.M. Sillavan of Columbus.

The new mother is the former Sondra Jean Francis.

Kurt Lee Kopczynski born

Mr. and Mrs. George (Bud) Kopczynski Jr. of Spring are pleased to announce the birth of a son, Kurt Lee, born August 1 at 11:58 a.m. and weighed six pounds seven ounces and was nineteen and one-half inches long. He is welcomed home by a sister, Ashley Kay.

Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Butch Szymanski, of Eagle Lake. Paternal grandparents are Mrs. Bertha Kopczynski and Mr. and Mrs. George Kopczynski Sr. of Mesquite. Maternal great grandmother is Mrs. Lena Bailey of Marble Falls.

The new mother is the former Paula Szymanski.

Mateo Navarro III born

Mr. and Mrs. Mateo Navarro Jr., of Eagle Lake, announce the birth of their second child, a son, born on Saturday, July 27 at 10:36 a.m. at the Eagle Lake Community Hospital. The baby was named Mateo Navarro III and weighed nine pounds four ounces.

Mateo is welcomed home by a sister, Stephanie N. Navarro, one year and nine months old.

Maternal grandparents are Teodoro and Emma Manciaz, of Garwood. Paternal grandparents are Mateo and Effie Navarro, of Eagle Lake. Great grandparents are Atelano Cardenas and Evelyn Rodriguez.

Paul Kucherka graduates from basic Army training

Pvt. Paul A. Kucherka, son of Mr. and Mrs. W.D. Kucherka, graduated from Fort Leonard Wood Army Basic Training Camp in Missouri on August 1.

For the past eight weeks, he has undergone strenuous training. During that time he qualified as a Sharpshooter with an M16A1 rifle, First Class Grenader, and passed 28 out of 30 tasks on basic field maneuvers. He also did very well on his endurance test. All of these qualifications exceeded the Army standards for graduation. He will return to Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri next year for combat engineer training.

Paul is now a member of the Texas National Guard Unit in Columbus.

Pvt. Paul A. Kucherka

Leonard Perry awarded scholarship

Leonard Perry Jr., a graduate of Rice High School in Altair, has been awarded a $1,000 Roy Bedichek Scholarship by the Texas Interscholastic League Foundation. This scholarship is awarded to a student who has participated in UIL State Academic Meet contests and who has compiled an outstanding record of academic and extracurricular achievement.

Leonard's accomplishments include: competed in the 1984 State Meet Prose Interpretation contest; class vice president; Student Council representative; Navy Science Award; special mention in the World of Poetry contest; honor roll; Who's Who Among American High School Students; third place in Voice for Democracy Speech contest; first place in Century III Leadership contest; member of the football team, basketball team, Business Club, Speech team and Thespian Club.

He plans to attend the University of Texas at Austin and major in Political Science/Law.

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Homemaker's Reflections

By Peggy Kalina County Extension Agent

Why conserve water?

A city resident or suburbanite who has all the water needed just by turning on faucets may ask, "Why should I save water?" There are many good reasons why water conservation affects everyone and why all Texans should do their part to conserve this precious resource.

First, water costs money. It costs a family money for water used inside and outside the house or apartment. A typical household uses 300 gallons a day. The cost of water differs from one city to the next, but is usually is about $1 to $2 for each 1,000 gallons used.

This money is used by the city or water district to pay for supplying the water. A second fee, a sewer charge, is then levied for treating the wastewater that is left over. So, the less water you use, the less it costs everyone today, next month and next year.

Second, when individuals collectively use less water, the future cost of developing new water supplies is avoided. It costs huge amounts of money to build new or bigger reservoirs, pumping stations, pipelines, water treatment plants, sewage systems, and wastewater treatment plants. In most cases this money has to be borrowed and paid back for many years with higher taxes with your money.

Third, eliminating unnecessary use of water means that more may be available for emergency purposes such as fighting fires. Each time you turn on the faucet, the water pressure drops slightly everywhere along the pipeline. This means that less water can flow out somewhere else where it may really be needed to save lives or property.

Fourth, using less water means you are living in closer balance with the natural environment. In many cases, the number of people living in a city or town is greater than the natural environment can provide for. At first, water may seem abundant but as the population grows, water is used up faster than nature can replenish surface water supplies (rivers, lakes, reservoirs) or underground aquifers. It may take just a few years or generations to use up what hydrologic forces have spent thousands or millions of years to put in place.

When this happens, the balance of nature is destroyed, perhaps irreversibly. When too much groundwater is pumped, the land may begin to sink (subsidence), or salt water may flow into and pollute fresh water aquifers. This already is happening in some parts of Texas.

Another adverse effect is that new surface water reservoirs and aqueducts must be built, to bring in new surface water supplies. This may be at the expense of the natural environment at the new source, which is perhaps far away.

Reduced water consumption not only saves potential water sources from new development, it also means that less wastewater is produced that must be treated before being released to the environment. Sewage treatment plants in many areas are already struggling to produce wastewater quality that meets stream water quality standards.

Fifth, lower water use means lower energy consumption in many ways. It takes energy for fresh water pumping, transportation in pipelines, treatment for purification, distribution to homes, and water heating within the home or business. It also takes energy to pump and treat wastewater.

Sixth, the less water you use yourself, the more may be available for food production by farmers who grow the grain, livestock and vegetables to feed families. More water may also be available for recreation and wildlife around lakes and rivers and more can flow downstream to the Gulf Coast where a rich harvest of seafood is obtained in bays and estuaries that depend on an infusion of nutrients from inland fresh water.

The seventh reason to conserve water is to help protect your own future. There will likely be more opportunities to obtain and retain jobs in areas where enough water is available at a price that can be afforded.

4-H News

By Veronica Hundl County Extension Agent

4-H councils provide leadership

Youth involvement at all levels of program development is an essential ingredient for the success of the 4-H and youth program.

4-H Councils at various levels provide representative leadership and insure two-way communication between volunteer leaders, Extension personnel and young people.

At the county level, 4-H'ers, usually 12 years and older, elected to the County 4-H Council assist in making decisions about county programs which affect them. Through their linkage to local 4-H clubs, the youth help develop programs of interest to younger people. They also stimulate junior and teen leadership by actually developing and helping with planned countywide events and activities.

1985-86 officers of the Colorado County 4-H Council are as follows: chairman, Tina Grahmann; first vice chairman, Angela Warschak; second vice chairman, Tommie Lynn Holub; secretary, Michael Grahmann; treasurer, Lara Dupre; public relations chairman, Lisa Bartlett; district council delegate, Victoria Darden.

4-H Councils provide an important learning experience in democratic principles. By identifying the needs and interests of 4-H youth, exploring action programs, and determining future 4-H efforts, council members are acquiring skills for effective adult living.

Air Force physician opportunities

"The United States Air Force is seeking physicians in all specialties. Although we need all types, we're looking specifically for physicians in family practice, aerospace medicine, pediatrics, internal medicine, cardiology, general surgery, otorhinolaryngology, OB-GYN and psychiatry," said Captain Kathy Thomas.

Board qualified physicians entering the Air Force receive direct commissions in the grades of captain to Lieutenant colonel, depending upon their previous experience and education.

Physicians are given an initial base of choice, provided a vacancy exists, and are provided assignment details prior to commissioning. After commissioning they are assigned to medical facilities ranging in size from out-patient clinics, similar to professional municipal clinics, to large teaching centers like the 1000-be Wilford Hall USAF Medical Center in San Antonio.

"An excellent program of compensation and entitlements is offered Air Force physicians including 30 days vacation with pay each year, medical and dental care and an excellent retirement plan," according to Captain Thomas.

For more information contact your local Air Force Recruiter.

Female Cecropia

The female cecropia, the largest kind of moth in North America, exudes a scent when she's ready to mate, luring males from as far away as a mile and a half.

Voter slogan contest set

The Federal Voting Assistance Program, Office of the Secretary of Defense, is launching a 1986 Voter Slogan Contest to increase voter awareness and participation by servicemen, their families, and all United States Citizens overseas.

The winning slogan will be an integral part of the 1986 media campaign to increase voter awareness among all United State Citizens. The winning slogan, selected by a panel of judges, will appear on posters, voter manuals, publications and other media materials.

The originator of the winning slogan will receive a certificate of recognition from the Secretary of Defense. A second place finisher and honorable mentions will also receive special recognition. The group with the highest percentage of individual participation will also receive special recognition.

A voter slogan contest was conducted in 1984 and over 5,000 slogans were received. The winning slogan in 1984 was "When People Vote, People Listen."

Those wishing to participate in the contest should send any slogans or art work (although the art work is not necessary for consideration) to: Federal Voting Assistance Program, Office of the Secretary of Defense, Room 1B457, The Pentagon, Washington, D.C. 20301.

Please include your full name, and mailing address with all entries. **All entries must be submitted on or before September 6, 1985, so please get your entries in early!**

If you have any questions regarding this contest, please contact the FVAP at (202) 695-0053 and speak with Henry Valentino. Thank you for your participation.

Evelyn Thomas, tax assessor-collector of Colorado County, said that anyone can submit as many entries as they wish. "We could have the winning slogan right here at home, so lets make a name for Colorado County."

Understanding taxes program offered

High School teachers and administrators across the country are again being offered teaching aids and materials from the Internal Revenue Service to help teach their students how our nation's tax system works.

The free instructional program reaches millions of students each year. The program typically lasts 4 to 6 weeks. The IRS says students can be expected to finish the course with an understanding of how to handle their own tax matters and a clearer concept of the economics of our tax system.

Study guides, teacher manuals, and films are supplied by the IRS free of cost to schools participating in the program. School personnel interested in presenting an Understanding Taxes program should contact the IRS and ask for the Taxpayer Education Coordinator.

Financial aid programs increased at UTSA

Students concerned about the increases in Texas colleges tuition rates can take heart — the overall funding available for financial aid program at The University of Texas at San Antonio is on the rise.

With hikes in both federal assistance as well as in the total dollar amounts going into grants, loans and work study programs, the total figure for financial assistance available to UTSA has risen $591,900 to $781,860, an eight percent increase over last year's $7,289,960.

"We expect some 3,500 students to receive financial aid packages at UTSA this year, especially now that we have more funds available," said Michael B. Ramsey, director of Student Financial Aid at UTSA. "As well, the total dollar amounts received by each of these students also should go up. Given the Legislature's mandated increase in tuition, this added ability to aid needy students is particularly important."

Many of the increases can be found in government sponsored programs. The U.S. Department of Education, which offers five major student financial aid plans, this year raised the funds available to UTSA in the Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grants (SEOG) and the National Direct Student Loans (NDSL). While $7,000 was added to last year's total of $180,504 for the SEOG, the NDSL rose $14,000 from $186,273 in 1984-85 to $200,000 this year. The SEOG, available only to undergraduates, is a maximum of $2,000 per year grant that does not have to be repaid. The NDSL is a low-interest loan that is available to both graduate and undergraduate students.

At the same time, the Congress also has increased the maximum award for Pell Grants. The upper limit of $1,625 in 1984-85 has risen to $2,100 for out-of-state students while in-state students could receive as much as $1,500 this year, as compared to $1,225 last year. The Pell Grant program, which is expected to assist some 1,700 UTSA students this year, is the largest Federal student aid program and is designed to assist undergraduates in paying their tuition fees.

Finally, the Texas Public Education Grants (TPEG) are expected to increase by an estimated $400,000. This grant, funded from tuition revenue, is available to in-state and out-of-state undergraduate and graduate students.

Financial aid at UT San Antonio takes the form of loans, which benefit some 57.4 percent of the student body receiving assistance with their expenses; grants, which go to 25.3 percent; scholarships, 8.6 percent and work study programs, 8.7 percent.

Cold facts on air conditioners

For many Texans over half of their summer electric bill may be air conditioning costs. That portion of your electric bill can be reduced if careful consideration is given to equipment efficiency and sizing, when replacing an existing air conditioning system or installing a system in a new home.

One recommendation is to buy an air conditioning system with an Energy Efficient Ratio (EER) of 8 or more. The EER is the cooling capacity of the unit, divided by how much electricity the unit requires. A higher EER designates a more energy-efficient air conditioner.

Studies found that the difference between buying an air conditioner with an EER of 7 and EER of 8 can mean a savings of about $30 per ton each year. For a 2 ton unit, savings would total $60 each year.

Proper sizing is equally important to comfort and efficiency. In the past, air conditioning contractors used the "one ton per 500 square feet" rule of thumb to determine air conditioning system capacity. But with proper insulation, infiltration controls, and shading design or devices, 1 ton of air conditioning capacity can provide comfort for up to 1,000 square feet of living space.

The Energy Efficient Division of the Public Utility Commission of Texas has compiled and published energy solutions on a wide range of topics. Brochures, consumer guides, books and films are available by calling 1-800-643-SAVE.

Foreign market development activities

Kenya's managing director of National Cereals and Produce Board, W.K.A. Kikwai, recently visited the U.S. rice industry representatives and officials of the Foreign Agricultural Service, U.S.D.A. Mr. Kikwai's visit resulted from an invitation extended on behalf of the U.S. rice industry by the Rice Council's executive vice president Bill Goldsmith during his visit with officials in Kenya earlier this year.

"Mr. Kikwai was favorably impressed with the quality standards and the efficiency of the rice operations he saw. It also afforded U.S. representatives to gain a better understanding of Kenya's rice requirements. The Council looks forward to developing a closer trade relationship with Kenya's state trading organization," commented Goldsmith.

In addition, Mr. Kikwai met with U.S.D.A. officials in Washington, D.C. to discuss Kenya's potential for participating in the U.S.D.A.'s GSM-102 credit guarantee program and the PL-480 program. In 1984, Kenya imported 28,000 metric tons of rice, about 75 percent of their consumption needs. Eighteen percent of the rice imported was from the U.S. The Council is constantly seeking opportunities such as this one, to increase the U.S. share of exports.

Sheriff's office investigates burglaries

At 12:37 p.m. on August 4, Robert Renick, of Houston, advised the Sheriff's Department that his camp house on Bostik Road had been burglarized. The burglary had happened sometime during the past two weeks.

The only thing found missing was a Honda dirt bike. The Sheriff's office reports they have one suspect in the case.

On August 5 at 9:25 a.m., Herbert Baines Jr., of Oakland, reported to the Sheriff's office that sometime during the night his pickup truck, which had been parked at the Oakland Roping Arena, had been broken into.

Missing was an assortment of hand tools, according to the Sheriff's Department.

The investigations continue on both burglaries.

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