



Reunion Attendees

Here are some of the former students and teachers at the E.H. Henry school who attended last weekend's reunion. Below are Terry Reynolds, Houston, Olivia & Ernest H. Rhambo, Pomona, Ca. Carrie Eta Reynolds, Houston, Rosalie Sloan Carter, Philadelphia, Mrs. Willie E. Brown, San Antonio, Prof. Willie Fitzgerald, Columbus, Marian Woodridge, Eagle Lake, Prince Partridge and Vivian Partridge, Los Angeles, Mrs. Lillian Redus Dixon and Rev. Obie Rhodes, Eagle Lake, Janie S. Coleman, Mariana, Fla., and James Gordon Jr., San Antonio.



Occasion will never be forgotten

## More than 200 attend Henry School reunion

The E.H. Henry school reunion started off early Saturday in the Eagle Lake Community Center with a brunch attended by many of the school's students and teachers from all across the country. Former students who now live in Tennessee, California and Pennsylvania, as well as many cities in Texas, attended.

For the more than 200 students and teachers who attended, "The occasion will never be forgotten and the school name will ever live in the hearts of all its products. We all felt the warm atmosphere of happiness in the faces who attended," said the mistress of the hour, Lillian Redus Dixon, who presided. The program opened about 11 a.m. with the national anthem sung by Robbie Rhodes,

followed by an inspirational service conducted by the Rev. Obie Rhodes. The group sang the late professor Perrino's favorite song, "Blessed Assurance." A welcome was given by Inola Brown Johnson. The group then sang Professor E. H. Henry's favorite song, "Standing on the Promises." The group sang another song, "Reach Out and Touch Someone's Hand."

Remarks of achievement were made by Professor James Gordon, E.H. Henry's first coach, and by Prof. Willie Fitzgerald, E.H. Henry's first agriculture teacher. Arvis Woods, Heam offered a solo, "He Touched Me."

During the memorial period, a 1940 article written by the son, Prof. Henry was read by this son.



At 3 p.m. lunch was served by Mrs. Lucinda Brown's catering service. The menu included barbecue brisket, barbecue beans, bean salad, potato salad, hot bread and tea. The morning brunch included coffee, donuts, cake and cookies. Compliments of Mrs. Christal, Lue Brown and Vera Woods.

Out of town guests attended worship services at their former church homes on Sunday, and departed to their destinations Sunday night.

The committee that organized the event was headed by Mrs. Dixon, and included Belvin Mann, Debra McTeer Marshall, Minnie Carter, Mary Mann Woods and Inola Brown Johnson. Mrs. Dixon presided with a beautiful service for her hard work as coordinator. The trophy designed for the first PTA president, the late Mrs. Betty Davis was awarded

**A Special Thanks:**  
To my committee of the teachers and students at the E.H. Henry School reunion, I would like to offer my very personal, and loving, thanks. You were my Rock of Gibraltar. Thank you for your devoted support.  
—Lillian Dixon

with love" to her loyal supporter and vice president, Mrs. Genevieve Brown.

Those at the E.H. Henry school reunion said they wish to thank Mrs. Lillian Redus Dixon, and her committee, for a "job well done." Thanks also were extended to Canaris Nursery, Debra Marshall

## Prison system said to be 'crisis'

District Attorney Bud Kaykendall recently told Eagle Lake Lions Club members about criminal court activity in the judicial district he is responsible for, which includes Colorado County.

"Crisis in the (state) prison system today,"

He also said that we have a "Crisis in the (state) prison system today."

That crisis, he said, stems from the suit filed by a prisoner (Ruiz) against the state, which was settled out of court. The Texas prison system, Kaykendall said, used to be almost self supporting and was one of the most respected penal systems in the United States.

Blaming former Gov. Bill Clements for not approving new prison construction, and present

Gov. Mark White for not approving rulings in the Ruiz case when he was Attorney General, Kaykendall said the prison system now is a large burden on the tax payer.

"It used to cost \$4 a day to house a prisoner, he said, but today the cost has escalated to \$30 a day."

The Ruiz case was heard in Federal Court, and the judge in the case created the problems, he said. No longer can the state discipline a prisoner with corporal punishment. And, the state can't make job assignments either. No more cotton chopping in a prison field, if the prisoner doesn't want it. Farm

### Lions officers to be installed

Officers for the Eagle Lake Noon Lions Club will be installed tonight, June 19, in ceremonies at the Eagle Lake Community Center.

John Adkins will become the new president, taking over for Vic Corman, who has served for the past year.

Other officers for the 1986-87 year are John Brasher, first vice president; Henry Divin, second vice president; Barry Boyette, third vice president; Charles Abel, secretary; Gene Brown, treasurer; T. Lang, tail twister; Willard Lange and Ed Sunderman, two year directors; and Ben Anderson and Case Holth, one year directors.

Nominating committee members were Henry Webb, chairman, and Joel Garcia and Abel Gonzales. John Adkins served as a committee advisor.

Speaker for the evening is Freddie Walters of the Bryan College Station area. He is the nominee from this Lions Club district to the Lions International board of directors. The meal will be catered by Anna Lee's Kitchen. Tickets are \$7.50.

### Coble on Dean's List

Pecan Coble, a 1985 graduate of Rice High School, has been named to the dean's list for the second time this school year.

He attends Southwest Texas State University at San Marcos, majoring in biology. He was named to the dean's list for both the Fall and Spring semesters.

Pecan is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Coble of Rock Island. At Rice, he was co-athlete of the year in 1984-85 with Makom Thomas, was an all-district football player and also won a national art award as a senior.

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County sheriff's office, and DPS office assisted, as did the Weimar police, Texas Parks and Wildlife officers, and others who heard the radio reports and headed toward the scene. Sanchez complemented Mrs. Katherine Burger, dispatcher for the Colorado County Sheriff's office, and the DPS communications officer, saying both did an excellent job in keeping up with

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## Semi-annual blood drive June 24 sponsored by Eagle Lake hospital

is held annually every June and November. However, any person who wishes to donate blood in the hospital's life plan. The donor coach will be in the visitor's parking lot at the hospital from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and 2-5 p.m. All persons that are interested in donating blood at this time should contact the laboratory personnel at the Eagle Lake Community Hospital for a scheduled appointment.

There has been several people in the area that were under the impression that this blood drive had been scheduled specifically for Chester McGee and Scott Hooper. That is incorrect. The hospital drive

## Prairie Edge Museum Notes

Visit our museum and enjoy seeing a very interesting poster that is at least seventy-five years old. This artifact is part of the collection of historical material accumulated by the Colorado County Historical Commission and is on loan to us. The poster gives details concerning an excursion to Texas in 1911 from Waterloo, Iowa, to Rock Island, Texas for the extremely low fare of \$20.00 which included a tourist sleeper. There are many pictures on the poster showing farms and produce around Rock Island. The train in the picture came through Eagle Lake from Houston on the San Antonio and Aransas Pass Railroad. The excursion, of course, was to interest people in buying land in this part of Texas. We shall have other items from the county collection to put on exhibit soon.

We would like to have a special display case for E.H. Henry High School. How about you ex-students who attended that school giving or loaning us mementos to fill the case? We have a start in that several trophies honoring victories in football, baseball, and basketball have been brought to the museum. We also have an E.H. Henry High School honor plaque with the following names on it: Booker T. Dabney, 1963; Earlene Kirkendall, 1964; and Eunice Jean Ward, 1965.

We are still interested in someone letting us know the whereabouts of the corner store of the high school. Several came by recently to see a copy of the 1916 Eagle. I promise

these visitors that the annual will be back in its case on their next visit. I had brought it home to obtain information which I believe is proving interesting to you who have lived here many years, and some of you were in school at the time this book was published. Here are several interesting facts gleaned from this annual:

1. The alumni of Eagle Lake High School from 1907 through 1915 were listed with current information about each. The class of 1907 had two graduates; there were no graduates in 1910, and the classes of 1915 and 1916 had eight members each.

2. The Glee Club of 1916 had a membership of 48.

3. A picture of the Second Grade taught by Miss Mattie Mersfelder shows the children standing by and on the huge playground slide. The picture also gives a good view of part of the school building.

4. Homemaking was called Domestic Economy.

5. There was no football team at that time.

Some very attractive wooden toys are available at our gift counter. These toys were hand-carved by Len Seabolt of Dallas. We also have sequentennial pencils and decals. Regular opening hours for the museum are 2-5 p.m. Saturdays and Sundays. Special tours can be arranged by calling Bill Harrison Sr. at 234-2662 or Elizabeth Boothe at 234-3361.

Elizabeth Boothe, reporter



Christine Lynn Mayes to wed Jeffrey Edward Andrejczak

Mr. and Mrs. Billy Maes of Rock Island are proud to announce the engagement and approaching wedding of their daughter, Christine Lynn, to Jeffrey Edward Andrejczak, son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Andrejczak of Sugar Land.

The bride-elect is a 1982 graduate of Rice High School and attended Wharton County Junior College. She is presently employed with McGee Lease Service, Inc. as a secretary.

The prospective groom is a 1980 graduate of Dulles High School of Stafford, and a 1982 graduate of Wharton County Junior College. He is employed with the Wharton County Sheriff's Department as a deputy sheriff.

The ceremony will be held on June 28 at 2 o'clock in the afternoon at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Columbus.

## Triple celebration in Lissie Sunday

The Lissie United Methodist Church will be the site of a large, triple celebration this Sunday, June 22 at 4 p.m.

They will combine the events of the Texas sesquicentennial, the 81st birthday of the Lissie church, and the 35th birthday of the Lissie youth ice cream social. The latter has been held on the church grounds for the past 34 years. This year's ice cream social will be the biggest and best ever in celebration of these three events.

Friends and neighbors are invited to come help the Lissie youth celebrate!

## Heritage House News By Patricia A. Horndt

A Father's Day coffee was held at Heritage House this past Sunday. Residents and guests took delight in refreshments consisting of coffee and delicious assorted cookies. Father's Day cards were given to all of our "father" residents in honor of their special day. We hope fathers everywhere enjoyed their day.

Heritage House residents and employees send "get well wishes" to Maude Schomp, volunteer for Heritage House. Ms. Schomp has been ill recently and everyone at Heritage House misses her visits for social hour and bingo immensely. We sincerely hope she is feeling better soon and is up and around visiting with us once again.

A few of our residents made pretty picture frames and wall decorations last Tuesday afternoon in arts and crafts. Emma Randolph made a wall picture frame. Doccia Bowen and Gladys Flawinka made wall decorations for their room and Ray Harper is making a wall key rack. We are delighted with these projects and will be making more "pretties."

Last Thursday, a standard exam review was held in Austin at the Leonard Thompson Center on the University of Texas campus. Marian Werland, administrator; Ann Zhraek, director of nurses; Margie Vack, LVN; and Patricia Horndt, activity director, attended the class review of nursing home standards given by the Texas Health Department. The review covered a wide spectrum of standards from licensure of nursing homes to patient



care required by nursing, dietary, social services, pharmacy, etc. We received a complete set of standards from the health department and the Department of Human Services. Henry Adams, NHA of Fort Worth, was guest speaker at the seminar.

We want to welcome Kenneth Riddick and Walter Padon back to the Heritage House.

Heritage House residents are very pleased in receiving a "roll player piano" from Eula and David Wintermann last Friday afternoon. The piano plays on roller sheet music or by hand and is extremely beautiful. All of our residents are so happy to have the player piano for they can listen to music from tunes of the 1920's to tunes of today. Our special thanks to Eula and David Wintermann for donating this special player piano to our residents for their entertainment. We are proud to have the piano in our facility for it brightens our lives greatly.

Help please! Attention ladies and gentlemen, Heritage House facility is in need of volunteers for resident activities such as an evening activity of singing, parties, church studies or movies one time a week. We need volunteers for a Saturday program for residents such as bingo, singing groups or socials. Our residents deeply love entertainment of all sorts and if you have a program for senior citizens in mind, please call or come by to see Patricia A. Horndt, activity director, at 200 Heritage Lane, Eagle Lake or call 234-3591. We want to hear from you!

## 'Saints Alive' to be presented Sunday at First Baptist Church

The Joy Bell Singers, a senior adult choir from First Baptist Church of Wharton, will sing at the First Baptist Church of Eagle Lake on Sunday night, June 22 at 7:30 p.m. The musical, "Saints Alive," is written for senior adult choirs. It has speaking and singing parts. The Joy Bell Singers presented this musical in their church recently and are now sharing it with our community.

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Laurette Kasmiersky Remik of Houston received her doctor of jurisprudence degree from South Texas College of Law on May 10. She is an honor graduate of St. Thomas University in Houston and Incarnate Word High School of San Antonio.

Laurette is married to William Remik Jr. of Houston and is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Kasmiersky of Garwood. Following her state bar exam in July, she will be employed as an attorney with Touche Ross and Co., an accounting firm in Houston.

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