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Twilight ceremony unites Becky Anderson, Frank Thompson

Miss Rebecca Louise Anderson and Frank Thompson were united in marriage in a twilight ceremony at the

Higgins hosts Sunday School Class Dec. 8

On December 8, Frank Higgins (teacher) hosted the United Methodist Sunday School Class at 6 p.m. in the lovely Higgins home with the assistance of his wife, Anna Lee.

After invocation, given by Frank Higgins, turkey, dressing, salad, pies, etc. were enjoyed especially so with members of the season at hand.

Guests were Rev. Charles Runk, Sam Davidson and Mrs. Marjorie Weaver from Stillwater, Oklahoma.

Class members, as well as invited guests, all enjoyed this annual event and hospitality.

Lissie United Methodist Church at six o'clock the evening of Saturday, September 26. The double ring ceremony was performed by Dr. L.C. Johnson Jr., pastor of Harding First United Methodist Church and uncle of the bride. He was assisted by Rev. Earl Lock, pastor of Lissie United Methodist Church.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Anderson of Eagle Lake, and the granddaughter of Mrs. B.D. Anderson Sr. of Eagle Lake and Mrs. L.C. Johnson Sr. of Port Isabel.

The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. B.G. Thompson Jr. of Tucson, Arizona and the grandson of Mrs. B.G. Thompson Jr. also of Tucson.

The bride, served as matron of honor. Bridesmaids were Mrs. Rhonda Kramm, Miss Suzanne Hustman, and Miss Elizabeth Johnson, cousin of the bride.

The attendants were radiant in matching wedgewood blue more taffeta gowns. The two long dresses featured sashina necklines, Victorian elbow sleeves, and were accented at the back of the full gathered skirts with bows. They carried nosegays of lavender freesia, sunnyside, and white ranunculus.

Frank chose his brother, Doug Thompson as best man. Groomsman were Andy Thompson, brother of the groom and Andy Daryl Anderson, brother of the bride.



Instrumental music for the ceremony was provided by organist, Mrs. Johnny Schmidt, aunt of the bride, and pianist Miss Suzanne Thompson, sister of the groom. Mrs. Dexter Anderson, aunt of the bride, sang "In This Very Room" and Carl Milentz, cousin of the bride, sang "The Lord's Prayer." The congregation participated in the ceremony with the singing of "Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee" and "Prate the Lord."

The reception immediately followed the ceremony at the home of the bride. Guests entered the home where they viewed the bride's gifts and saw the extraordinary cakes made by Mrs. Lyle Anderson, cousin of the bride. The bride's banana nut cake was iced with a basket-weave pattern and adorned with fresh flowers. The groom's German chocolate cake was beautifully decorated with light chocolate flowers.

On the lawn guests enjoyed a lovely buffet provided by Anna Lee's Kitchen. Mrs. John Adkins, the bride and the mother of the bride. Tables were covered with white full-length cloths and decorated with large hurricane lamps surrounded by arrangements of magnolia leaves, silk lavender and blue moire taffeta bows arranged by Mrs. Bill Harrison Jr.

House party members were cousins of the bride, Julie, Jan and Jill Thrash, and Janet, Sherry, Angela and Meredith Anderson. Friends of the bride in the house party included Michelle Hlavinka, Kimberly Turner, Dawn Hinkle, and Karen Johnson. Jay Thrash and family of Lafayette, Louisiana, and Dr. and Mrs. L.C. Johnson Jr. and family of Harlingen.

The rehearsal dinner was hosted by the groom's parents on Friday evening, September 25 at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Higgins. Members of the wedding party and their spouses enjoyed a lovely buffet and visiting with new friends and family.

For their honeymoon, Frank and Becky chose a trip to Williamsburg, Virginia. They are now residing in Houston where Frank is head boy's coach at Cypress Academy's Gymnasium and Becky is owner of Academics in Action, a tutoring and enrichment service.

The couple will reside in Kingsville.

Couple exchanges vows

Patricia Hengst Hagendorf and Forest William English were married Saturday, November 28 at 5 p.m. at The Farris 1912 in Eagle Lake. The ceremony was performed by Judge Lester Crane.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David Hengst of Eagle Lake and the groom's parents are Mr. and Mrs. William English of Kingsville.

Immediately following the ceremony, a reception and dinner was held at The Farris 1912.

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Heritage House News

Heritage House will be hosting the annual family and resident Christmas party this Thursday, December 17 at 6 p.m. All family members are cordially invited and asked to bring a covered dish such as a salad, meat or dessert. A. We are anticipating a large gathering of residents and family members. Hope to see you there.

A beautiful church service was held this past Sunday with Rev. Charles Miller conducting the beautiful and spiritual sermon. A Christmas sing-along was held for residents attending and everyone complimented the Christmas spirit of the Presbyterian congregation members attending.

Our home extends sympathy to the following family members of Mary Glaister, Edna Nohavitz, Clarence Grace, Fay V. Soley, Juan Hernandez, Bertha Hartman.

The Christmas season is finally here and we are looking forward to the wonderful season, for Heritage House is receiving calls for entertainment for our residents. This week, St. Mary's Catholic women will be helping with bingo and serving Christmas refreshments. On Friday the first graders from Eagle Lake Primary School will entertain residents with Christmas songs and will bring gifts.

If you or your organization would like to visit the facility with entertainment, host a party or donate small gifts for the residents, call Heritage House at 234-3591.

The Providence Baptist ladies will host the residents' birthday party on January 9 at 2:30 p.m. with refreshments. Those celebrating birthdays will be McKinley Martinfield, Walter Padon and Georgia Franks.

On December 9, the FHA from Rice High School visited the facility and hosted a delightful Christmas sing-along program. The large group of FHAers was led by sponsor Mrs. Diane Wanderlich and Jewel Coreathers.

The vivacious group of young people served delicious refreshments of soda pop, assorted cookies, sandwiches and cake. Everyone delighted in having the FHA group with them and hope they come back soon. Thanks to all these students and to Diane and Jewel for visiting the home.

Last Tuesday, the Adventure group of the Eagle Lake Bluebirds chapter decorated Heritage House's Christmas tree on the front lawn. The girls did a beautiful job and our residents are so proud of the "live" decorated tree. Special thanks to Mrs. Gail Gertson for bringing her group out. We are always glad to have young faces visit the facility.

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Boys take La Grange Tourney trophy

The boys varsity basketball team of Rice High School continued sharpening its basketball skills last week as the team went 4-0 for the week, including a victory in the La Grange Tournament.

On Dec. 8 the boys defeated Wharton 76-48. Derrick Stevens had almost twice as many points as any other player in the game, scoring 36 on 17 field goals and a 2 for 2 record at the free line. Johnell Dogins also was in double figures with 17. Curt McTeer had 10. The Raiders trailed all through the first half, going into the locker room looking at 47-41 deficit.

But, Wharton apparently lost its drive in the third quarter, scoring only nine points while the Raiders pumped in 22. By the end of that quarter Rice was leading 63-56.

The victory in the La Grange Tournament came in a close, see-saw contest with Bastrop. The Raiders brought home the trophy with a one-point margin at 56-55. While Rice trailed at the end of the first quarter, 15-11, they charged back to take a 27-23 half-time lead. Then in the third quarter, a strong effort by Bastrop made the lead change hands again. In the final stanza, Rice hit for 16 points while Bastrop scored only 9.

Stevens again was the most proficient point man, pumping in 22. Marcus Wilson hit for 11.

On the way to the final round, Rice beat Smithville 76-70 on Thursday of last week, then topped Dixie Box 52-50. In that game, the Raiders' score book shows the team's lead at the end of each quarter, until the final buzzer.

Support**Raider****Basketball****Lady Raiders on win streak**

The Lady Raiders of Rice High School won three out of four games last week but were tripped up in the Youkum tournament with a 46-38 loss at the hands of Moulton.

On Dec. 8 the team beat Brenham 45-42, and the scoreboard tells the story of the contest. Both teams had 18 field goals, but Rice was nine out of 12 at the free line while Brenham was only three out of nine. Lakeshia Jackson scored 24 points in that game with Sheryl McGrew adding 13. Yolanda Dogins tossed in two field goals for four points. Monrovia Carter had one field goal for two points, and Carrie Irelal was two for two from the free line.

Coach Dollie Johnson said the team out forth a great defensive effort for the victory.

On the 10th, the Raiders had an easy 66-26 victory over the Youkum JV, and on Dec. 12, they scored another victory with a 62-42 win over Goliad in the Youkum tournament. McGrew was high scorer in that contest with 19 points. Dogins was next with 17 and Jackson added 16.

The Lady Raiders are in the Schulenburg tournament this weekend.

Rice JVs win two out of three at Columbus JV tournament

On Tuesday, December 1, Rice JV team hosted the El Campo JVs. Rice ended the game on a winning note with the final score 55-46.

Leading scorers for Rice were Brian Amos, 31 points, 16 rebounds, and Cash Coble, Lloyd Jackson and Shawn Turner, 6 points each.

On Friday and Saturday, December 4 and 5, Rice JV participated in the Columbus JV tournament. On Friday, the Raiders defeated the Gonzales JVs 54-35. Leading scorers were Brian Amos, 29 points, 10 rebounds, and Ulah Johnson, 7 points, 11 rebounds.

On Saturday morning, the El Campo JV team were victorious. The defeated the Rice JV 62-82. Leading scorers for Rice were Brian Amos, 25 points, 14 rebounds; Cash Coble, 8 points and Shawn Turner, 10 points.

Saturday afternoon, Rice played for third place in the tournament against Giddings. The final score was Rice 63, Giddings 43. Giving Rice the third place trophy were scorers Brian Amos 24 points, 9 rebounds; Shawn Turner, 15 points, 6 rebounds and Brian Rucka, 8 points.

Beat Wharton 52-50.

The Rice JV team traveled to Wharton Tuesday night, December 8 for a 52 to 50 win. This made their season record 5-1.

The first half of the game showed a tie of 18 for both teams with Rice staying out in front in the second half.

Scoring for the Raiders were Brian Amos, 30 points; Ulah Johnson, 6 points; Shawn Turner, 5; J. Tillman, 4; Lloyd Jackson, Brian Rucka and R. Davis, 2 each, and Cash Coble, 1.



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The Ginsburg Lesson: another reason to say 'NO'

(The following is an article written to students by Phil Gram, United States Senator from Texas.)

This is a sad time for Judge Douglas Ginsburg and his family, but I believe his tragedy carries with it an important lesson for the young people of America.

Judge Ginsburg withdrew from consideration for a seat on the Supreme Court after admitting he had used marijuana. His experience proves once again that drug use carries a high cost, payable both now and in the future.

I've known Judge Ginsburg since 1983, when he joined the Justice Department. He is a brilliant man, and I was therefore pleased when the President nominated him to the Supreme Court. I knew Judge Ginsburg would work to guarantee not only the political rights but also the economic rights of all Americans. He had already shown his abilities as a judge and government official.

But his use of drugs, no matter how long ago or how infrequent, called into question his judgment and his commitment to uphold the law.

You have heard many times about the physical cost of drug abuse: the depression and failure using drugs can cause. But drug use also has a hidden cost, a cost Douglas Ginsburg is now paying. I wonder what Judge Ginsburg would give now to be able to go back and reverse his decision to use drugs.

The sad message of the Ginsburg nomination is this: if you don't use drugs, don't start. There's no such thing as a "harmless" drug use. Something less than addiction can ruin your dreams. If you do use drugs, stop, be a leader in urging others to do the same.

American ultimately may benefit from Judge Ginsburg's tragedy if young people like you, who face the lure of drugs every day, are impressed with the fact that you risk long-term damage to your health, your family, and your future if you use drugs.

This service and others became taxable October 1 under a new law passed by the state legislature earlier this year.

Debt collection businesses must have sales tax permit. Applicants for a sales tax permit are available at the Comptroller's office or by calling 1-800-252-5555, ext. 3-4600. The fee for a permit is \$25.

When charging sales tax, businesses should add any local tax rate to statewide sales tax of six percent.

Another example Bullock gave

anyone in Texas who is in the business of collecting overdue bills or hot checks, adjusting debts or claims, or repossessing property must collect sales tax on those services, according to Bullock.

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