

Dorcas Sunday School Class met

Ten members of the Dorcas Class of First Baptist Church met at the home of Elizabeth Boothe the evening of April 9. Soon after the group had arrived, Elizabeth dialed Clara May Nash's number in Plano, Texas; and each one enjoyed talking with her. Clara May is a former member of the class and is missed very much.

Grace Ferris, class president was in charge of the business session.

Following that, Elizabeth presented a devotional centered around the life and works of the great hymn writer Fanny Crosby, who was blind from infancy. She is believed to have written hundreds of hymns many of which are very familiar to many people. Each member drew the name of one or more of the songs and was asked to find words in the hymn that spoke of spiritual sight. Each one present had a song book to use. Following are the names of several of her works: "Pass Me Not, O Gentle Sav-

ior"; "Blessed Assurance"; "Safe in the Arms of Jesus"; "Saved by Grace"; "All the Way My Savior Leads Me"; and "Tell Me the Story of Jesus".

The hostess, with the help of several class members, served lemon and chocolate pie, dry roasted peanuts, corn chips, tea or coffee. The group enjoyed sitting around the tables enjoying a social time.

Dance recital Saturday

Mrs. Linda Balas' School of Dance will present "Rock Around the Clock" on Saturday, April 28, 1990 in the Eagle Lake Middle School Cafeteria. The dance recital will begin at 7:30 p.m. Come and enjoy the local talent. Admission is free.

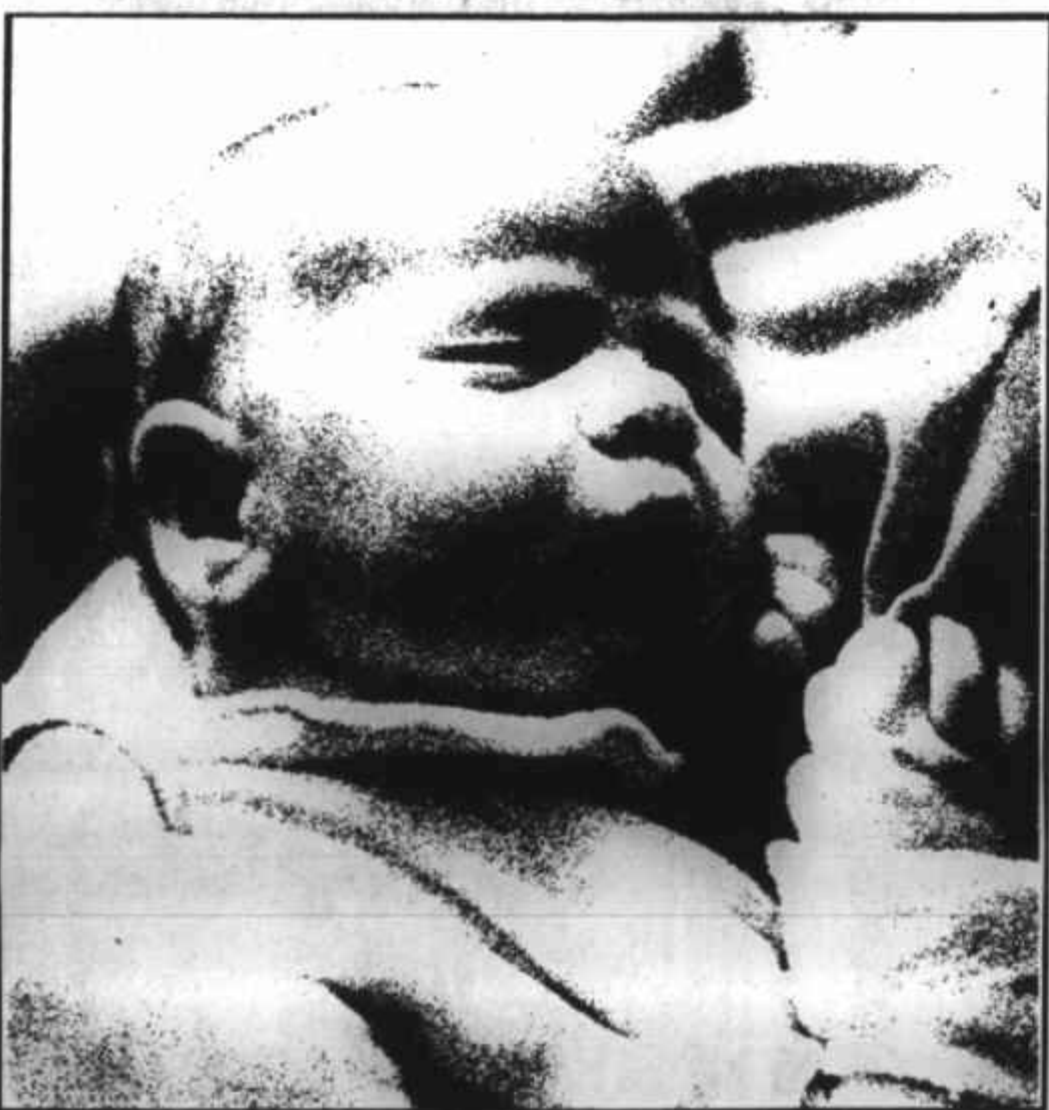
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Mahalitc speaks at Alpha Delta Phi meeting

Alpha Delta Phi sorority met on April 16, in the home of Sheila Mathis. President Connie Gertson led the opening ritual and roll was called.

For our program, John Mahalitic, President of the Ambulance Corp. gave a very informative program titled "Till Help Arrives". He stated that the Ambulance Corp will sponsor a community wide seminar in the near future. It will inform people what they can do to keep someone alive until the ambulance arrives.

In communications, Connie read a thank you from Shirley Johnson for the gift Eric received during his hospital stay. Connie also read a thank you from her son, Ralph, for the gift he received during his hospital stay. Connie announced that the annual stockholders meeting for the Industrial Foundation will be held on April 19, at 2:30.

Treasurer, Jeri Lou Shindler, gave a financial report on the Western Dance and the Lady of the Year Tea. Thank you's were expressed for Easter gifts and Sheila announced upcoming birthdays and anniversaries.

In old business, members selected a nominee for the Colorado County Outstanding Older Texan Award. Connie also reminded members of the Founder's Day Luncheon to be held on April 28. Sheila reported on the booth she and other members worked in for the Wildflower Festival.

In new business, members voted for "Girl of the Year". The winner will be announced at the Founder's Day Luncheon.

The closing ritual was recited and an informal social followed.

Couple plans August wedding

Mr. and Mrs. Herman M. Benge of Eagle Lake are happy to announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Valerie Annette to Thomas Russell Seely III, son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas R. Seely, Jr. of Plano.

Valerie is a graduate of Rice High School and will receive a secondary education degree from Texas A&M University in May.

Tom, an alumni of Trinity Christian Academy, will graduate from Texas A&M University in August with a Computer Science degree.

After their marriage, the couple will reside in Houston where Tom will be employed with Exxon Chemical America.

The wedding ceremony will take place on August 18, 1990 at the First Baptist Church of Eagle Lake.

Study Club President's luncheon slated May 9

April is almost over with its exciting Wildflower Festival and May is almost upon us bringing the Study Club President's luncheon on Wednesday, May 9th at the Community Center at noon. The speaker will be Mrs. James A. Baker III, wife of the U.S. Secretary of State. Tickets are \$7 each with two available per member until April 30th. After that date tickets will be open to the entire community.

Study Club members are urged to go by the Eula and David Wintermann Library to purchase their tickets before this time. Annual dues may also be paid at this time of \$5 for active members and \$10 for Associate members.

Salazar, Shetrone to exchange vows

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Salazar of Del Rio announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, M. Kelly Salazar, to Matthew David Shetrone, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Shetrone of Dallas.

The bride-elect is a 1987 graduate of Del Rio High School and is attending the University of Texas at Austin, majoring in Architecture. She is the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Eusebio Salazar of Eagle Lake. The groom-to-be is a 1987 graduate of W.T. White High School in Dallas and is attending the University of Texas at Austin, majoring in Astronomy. A December wedding is planned.

Fabulous Forties class reunion

Committee for the "Fabulous Forties class reunion" met recently at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Wagner, plans are being finalized for a class reunion to include: Graduates of 40's.

The reunion will be held on Saturday, June 9, 1990, at the Columbus Veterans Community Center, in Columbus. Festivities will begin at 4 p.m., a roast beef dinner will be served at 6 p.m.

At 7:30 Claude Marty's Orchestra, will begin the dance, which will continue until dawn, or whenever the last graduate drops, whichever comes first. If you are a member of the 40's graduating class and you haven't received an invitation, please call Betty Jo Seifert or Charlene Little.

Walton, Vincze to exchange wedding vows in June

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas D. Walton of Nacogdoches, Texas announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Janet, to Mr.

John Franklin Vincze, son of Mrs. George M. Cason of Eagle Lake, Texas and Mr. John Vincze of Coto de Caza, California. The couple will be married June 16th in the Wesley Chapel, Lovers Lane United Methodist Church, in Dallas, Texas.

Miss Walton, a Certified Public Accountant, graduated from Stephen F. Austin University and is employed as Senior Auditor with the accounting firm of Rylander, Clay and Opitz in Ft. Worth, Texas. Mr. Vincze, also a Certified Public Accountant, graduated from the University of Houston and is Corporate Tax Manager for Trinity Industries in Dallas, Texas.

Kite contest held at Sheridan school

Thursday, April 12, the Sheridan Elementary and Jr. High had a kite contest, sponsored by the Student Council. Each class entered a kite to make themselves. The winners were: first grade for the highest flying kite; second grade for the most creative kite; fourth grade, Mr. Wagner's class, for the largest kite; seventh grade for the smallest kite; and eighth grade won consolation.

It was a fun-filled morning for all the classes and the students all shared their Easter holiday in high spirits.

The judges for the contest were C.C. and Ola Mae Cole.

Sheridan News

By Velma Kutzer

Mr. and Mrs. Billy Sanders were hosts Saturday afternoon for a group of boys and girls that came to help Angie Sanders celebrate her 12th birthday.

The group gathered at the Sanders' home at 4 o'clock and enjoyed a game of baseball. Birthday cake, decorated with a ballerina, punch and ice cream was served to the following young people: Eric Sanders, Lynsey and Travis Bujnoch, Johnny Slawinski, Paul and Christal Hadac, Brandy Adams, Heath Heind, Aime Smith, Leah Brisco, Matthew Hinz, Keith Williamson, and Colleen Sveick. Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Sveick and Mrs. Adams also attended. Angie's actual birthday was Tuesday, April 24.

Beatrice Botard from Victoria visited with family and friends here last weekend.

Sympathy is extended to the family of Boyd Johnson of Wadsworth who passed away last week. Services were conducted from Kubena Funeral Home last Friday with burial following in Cheatham Cemetery. He was reared in the Sheridan area and lived most of his life near Sheridan. Survivors include his brother, Lorraine Johnson of Sheridan along with a sister, Mrs. Milton Gates, and his immediate family.

Get well wishes are extended to Dokie West who entered the Eagle Lake Community Hospital Monday and William Hairell who is in DeTar in Victoria.

PRAIRIE EDGE MUSEUM

By Elizabeth Boothe, Museum Reporter

The registration total through April 23, 1990, is 25,134. Again, I know that there are hundreds who have not signed our registers. Eagle Lake and Prairie Edge are getting "on the map" more each day. If you have been working at the museum or out where the wagon rides take place you know what I mean when I say that there have been thousands of wonderful friendly people visiting us. Praises are heaped upon Prairie Edge. I believe lots of people are surprised that we are such a young museum, since we have so many exhibits. I know that people in charge of the civic booths and the ones where crafts are sold can attest to the pleasure of meeting our many visitors.

The oldest person that I know of who has attended is a 94-year-old lady. Of course you have seen many little children. I met a lady today, Bertha Kirk Wood, who was born in Bonus, Texas, in 1908. Her father ran a sugar cane plantation there. I showed her our display case featuring sugar cane. She said that during a big storm (probably in 1900 or 1906) the members of her family and the workers on the plantation sought shelter in the basement of their home. One of the workers was named George Washington. One of the most popular exhibits here is the machine once used to extract juice from the sugar cane.

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Matthews honored for 30 years of employment

On Thursday, April 12, The Farris 1912 was the setting of a surprise luncheon honoring Mrs. Jessie Matthews, LVN on the occasion of her 30th anniversary of employment with the Eagle Lake Community Hospital. Drs. Raymond and Russell Thomas were hosts for the occasion.

Mrs. Matthews was hired by Dr. J.R. Laughlin in 1960 when the hospital was originally Laughlin Hospital. She worked in the central sterilizing, purchasing and surgery departments. From 1969 until 1970 she attended Wharton County Junior College, received her LVN license, and began working the evening shift, then later, the day shift, as a staff nurse. When the new hospital opened in 1975, she continued the same duties until 1977 when she began working again in surgery as an O.R. scrub nurse, and has remained in that capacity until the present time.

Mrs. Matthews and her husband, Louis, reside in Matthews. They are members of the Greater Union Baptist Church, where they are both active in the church choir, and Jessie serves as matron of the Junior church.

Looking back on the past 30 years, Jessie Lee recalls fond memories of the "old hospital" where she enjoyed working with Dr. J.R. and J.C. Laughlin and Dr. Raymond Thomas, and all of the hospital employees who have come and gone since that time. She credits the late Annette Rogers, RN for encouraging her to attend college and start her career in nursing, and is very proud to be associated with the current staff of physicians, and surgery crew. The surgery staff includes Clifton Babineaux, CRNA; Susan Kunz, LVN, and Aileen Peck, RN.

Dr. Thomas presented Jessie with a corsage of spring flowers before lunch. The honoree and her guests enjoyed a selection of gourmet entrees with fresh fruit salad, and a variety of luscious desserts. Jessie's husband, Louis was on hand to help with the surprise. Other special guests for the

occasion were Dr. Harold Griffin, Dr. Jose Ugarte and the surgery staff of the Eagle Lake Community Hospital. They presented Mrs. Matthews with a pair of gold earrings, and a lovely piece of handmade pottery by T. Cundiff of Baton Rouge.

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