

Rosie Williams celebrates 101st birthday

Mrs. Rosie Bolden Williams celebrated her 101st birthday on Friday, April 26 at the home of her great granddaughter, Mrs. Princess Lee Spears.

Mrs. Williams was born on April 25, 1890 in Alleyton. Guests for this special event were Mrs. Addie King, Mrs. Thelma Johnson, Mrs. Mildred Sanders, sister-in-law Mrs. Mae Bolden and great-great granddaughter, Mrs. Rose Mary Smith.

The youngest from her fifth generation, Ms. Katherine Yvette Spears, was also present to celebrate with Rosie.

Ice cream and cake were served and everyone had a great time. Congratulations to Mrs. Williams on achieving a real milestone!

May is 'Better Hearing Month'

I can hear, but I don't understand

If a person's hearing has been affected over a long period of time, early experience with a new hearing aid may lead him to say, "I can hear you, but I don't understand." He will want to know why this condition exists and if it will improve in time.

"Hearing and understanding involves far more than the hearing organ," explains Jim Wilson, executive secretary with The Texas Hearing Aid Association, a 45-year-old non-profit organization serving the hearing impaired. "It is a complex function which requires the cooperation of the brain and other senses."

The eye and ear cooperate to build

up a "sound vocabulary" in the brain. From early childhood the sounds of words are conveyed to the brain to gather visual images of things; this information is stored in memory compartments.

Ability to make instant association depends on repeatedly hearing the word. If we do not hear a word for a long period of time, difficulty connecting the word to its meaning occurs.

After a long period of not hearing, the sound memory fades, yet the visual memory remains.

Consequently, the person is confused when he again hears speech and must go through a period of re-education.

If the person's hearing loss is greater in the higher frequencies (speech), then the period of re-education will probably take longer.

Whether or not the person will ever be able to understand all of a conversation is problematic. However, with patience, practice, and persistence, he will understand more with a hearing aid in three months than this week; and more in three years than in three months.

"If you or a loved one are having problems hearing and understanding, you need to have your hearing tested," says Wilson. "The month of May has been designated National Better Hearing Month, and Governor Ann Richards has signed a state proclamation encouraging citizens to have their hearing checked during the month of May."

Using a calibrated electronic device called an audiometer, your ability to hear can be measured and plotted on a graph. Similar to having your eye-sight checked, a hearing test is painless and takes less than 30 minutes to conduct.

For your copy of "Hand of Hearing Facts," a booklet on hearing loss, contact the Texas Hearing Aid Association, 222 North Riverside Drive, Fort Worth, Texas 76111 or toll free: 1-800-229-EARS.

Sheridan News

By Velma Kutzer

Angie Sanders was honored with a birthday party last week at Mr. Gatti's in Hallettsville. Those who gathered to help her celebrate her 13th birthday were: her mother, Dana and brother, Eric; her Aunt Jacque and Colleen Sevcik, Nancy, Brock and Chantelle Chabreck, Sharla, Matthew, Megan and Tammie Hinz, Jodi Heard, Keith Williamson, Lindsey Bujnoch, Carol and Karen Kazmir, Theresa Pittman, Walley Ortiz, Ralph Rangel, Aimee Smith, Nikki Fuller, Nani Ramos, Leah Brisco, Jennifer

Estlinbaum, Johnny Slawinski, and Angie's teacher Virginia Graft. Joyce Williamson is very pleased to have her son James (Minnie) back home after spending several months in the Persian Gulf. Minnie arrived Thursday and plans on spending several weeks here. Thursday he attended the "Friendship Fellowship" gathering and those who attended enjoyed hearing him and his sister Dana speak of their time spent in the Gulf.

"Get well wishes are extended to John Garza, former resident of Sheridan. He has been confined to a Victoria hospital awaiting possible heart surgery."

"Elmer Enloe is at home after spending nearly a week in the Colorado-Fayette County Hospital in Weimar."

"Mary Lou Criswell recently spent a week in Amarillo visiting with relatives."

"A water and sewer system meeting was held last Thursday night with a good size group attending. Approximately 65 homes have signed up for the new sewer service with a few more to sign up this week. It is anticipated that the project will be complete in eight to ten weeks. Monthly rates were discussed, with rates being based on individual water usage from January, February and March of 1989."

"One last reminder and invitation for everyone to remember to attend the Bene-Fair Saturday. This is the Sheridan Emergency Aid's major fund-raiser and your support is very important."

Nancy Lehrer honored with tea shower

Miss Nancy Lehrer, bride elect of Mr. Curtis Boyd, was honored with a tea shower on Saturday, April 20, 1991 at the lovely home of Mr. and Mrs. Parke Christenberry, which is beautifully situated among ancient oak trees north of Garwood, Texas.

Nancy greeted guests, along with her mother, Mrs. Wm. N. Lehrer and Mrs. Christenberry in the foyer of the home. A large arrangement of fresh magnolia blossoms enhanced the room. The bride's book and a miniature arrangement of sweetheart roses in a lily shaped container were placed on the registration table.

The serving table was covered with an embroidered linen cloth centered with a crystal epergne holding an

arrangement of fresh rubrum lilies and gypsophila. Sandwiches, cookies, punch and coffee were served from the table and a large crystal bowl of strawberries on the buffet.

The affair was an enjoyable afternoon with friends lingering to enjoy each other and the happiness of the occasion.

The hostess' gift to the honoree was a serving platter to her selected casual dinnerware.

Hostesses were Messrs. Harold Beard, Parke Christenberry, Guy Conner, Harry Engstrom, Dale Hunt, Bill R. Krenke, Paul Lehrer, Boyd Bees, David Schiuring, Waldo Schiuring, Ervin Stienke and B.F. Turner.



Judges attend seminar in Austin

Sixty Justices of the peace attended a 20-hour seminar March 12-15 in Austin conducted by the Texas Justice Court Training Center headquartered at Southern Texas State University in San Marcos. The seminars are held in compliance with supreme court rule and statute (Art. 27.005), Texas government code. Topics covered included courtroom security, forcible entry and detainer statutes, a mock civil trial, judicial ethics, duties of a magistrate, vital statistics, alternate sentencing, teen court, constitutional law and a search and arrest warrant workshop.

Attending were, left to right, W.H. Bill McGill of Lavaca County Precinct 5; Mary Lou Szymanski of Colorado County, Precinct 4 and Dennis R. King of Austin County, Precinct 4.

Faith Academy students staying busy

The past three months have been busy ones for the students of Faith Christian Academy. Besides diligently working in their PAGES, the students have enjoyed many other special learning experiences.

Field trips were taken to Schaper's Dairy Farm in Brenham, the Houston Zoo, and Wildseed, Inc. in Eagle Lake. At the dairy, the students saw first-hand the operation of a modern

dairy farm and learned the steps of how milk gets to their tables. They also were entertained by "Miss Moo" and given a nutritious dairy snack and coloring books.

Of course, everyone enjoyed the trip to the Houston Zoo. Of special interest were the playful lion cubs and their mother. A picnic lunch was eaten in Herman Park.

The tour of Wildseed, Inc. was filled with delight as the children exclaimed over the beautiful Texas wildflowers. Lunch was eaten at Dairy Queen before the tour.

Monthly guest speakers also add to the learning of F.C.A. students. Dr. Neil Brown, dentist from Rosenberg, visited during Dental Health month. He showed slides of good dental care and a Snoopy video entitled, "How to Brush Your Teeth". Toothbrushes, stickers, and tooth care leaflets were given to each boy and girl.

A very special guest speaker was U.S. Air Force Serviceman Jeff Wright of Bellville, an Operation Desert Storm participant. Sgt. Wright wore his brown camouflage uniform and shared his experiences with the students. He showed them his war souvenirs, including a surrender note dropped by the Iraqi soldiers in the U.S. Air Force. He also showed them his camouflage Bible. The students honored Sgt. Wright with a thank-you card and gift of M&M's in an American-Froed and Free cup. Everyone enjoyed rootbeer floats to celebrate the end of Operation Desert Storm and the safe return of our troops.

Another educational experience was a visit from the "911 Man". Mr. Dennis Diggs, Austin County coordinator, showed a video entitled "911 Man": It taught the children what an emergency is and a catchy tune, "Dial 911—Tell them what the problem is and help is going to come!" Mr. Diggs also gave everyone coloring books and a 911 sticker.

Faith Christian Academy provides an alternative educational program for this area. The school is located at Christ Our Redeemer Church, three miles north of Wallis on Highway 36.

There are some orthodontic problems that can, and should, be diagnosed and treated early. The result can be a great savings in time, money, and discomfort.

If the child develops a narrower upper arch, for instance, the palate can be easily, quickly, and PAINLESSLY expanded and expanded, placing the upper teeth in proper relation to the lower. Likewise, if the permanent teeth look very crowded as they come in, take your child to visit your dentist and ask for a referral to a good orthodontist. Sometimes — without bands or braces.

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SPORTS PAGE



ELMS 7th grade Raider track team

The 7th grade Raider track team consists of (back row) tian Cordova, Jared Vawter, Mikie Wiese, Garrett Hagen-Carlos Tovar, Andrew McCaughey, Tim Teague, Bryon Dorf. Not pictured is Jeremy Stevens.

Headlight Photo by Linda Waddell



8th grade Raider Track team

Pictured above is this year's Eagle Lake Middle School 8th grade boys track team. In the back row from left are Derrick Jones (Sheridan), John Kaluza, Charyn Thomas, Tim Jones, David Godley, Trinity Parker. In the front row are Shawn Hurd, Roy Morales, Neil Broesche, Charles Chapman. Not pictured is Gabe Garza and Heath Mahallit.

Headlight Photo by Linda Waddell

Local Special Olympians compete in Bay City track meet

The friendly folks of Bay City hosted the 1991 Area 3 Special Olympics track and field meet recently. The following is a list of awards brought home by the athletes of the Columbus Alternate Education Center team:

Jessica Burris - 1st in the 50 meter dash and 2nd in the 100 meter dash.

Socorro Cano - 2nd place in both the 100 meter dash and softball throw.

Ricky Hemphill - 3rd in the 200 meter dash and 5th in the standing long jump.

Beth Lippert - 5th in the 50 meter dash and 2nd in the softball throw.

Sidney Lira - 3rd in the pentathlon (five events).

Dwayne Lopez - 2nd in the 100 meter dash and 3rd in the shot put.

Misty McCloud - 1st in both the 100 meter dash and in the softball throw.

Rex McCloud - 1st in both the 400 meter walk and in the softball throw.

Larry Morgan - 4th in the pentathlon (five events).

Roman Ortiz - 1st in the 200 meter dash and 2nd in the running long jump.

Jon Peters - 4th in the 400 meter walk and 2nd in the softball throw.

Jason Wright - 2nd in the ten meter wheelchair race and 3rd in the softball throw.

The relay team consisting of Misty, Socorro, Beth and Jessica placed fourth.

Awards for the Eagle Lake Raiders went to:

Eric Guthrie - 1st in both the 50 meter dash and the softball throw.

Jaime Gonzales - 1st in the 50 meter dash and 2nd in the softball throw.

Demont Holloway - 3rd in pentathlon.

Judy Holloway - 1st in pentathlon.

Accompanying coaches for the team included Ruby Darnell, Veronica Daniels, Sandra Guthrie and Linda Lippert.

In addition to the competition, the athletes attended the pre-game social where they were entertained by a live band and treated to refreshments. Also attending as assistant coaches for the Columbus team were Sandy Neundorff, Ron Peach, Debbie Floyd, Jerry Perrino, Judy Wright, Dorothy Peters and Judy Pustejovsky.

Numerous awards were presented during opening ceremonies at this year's meet. One award was the Tom Landry Coach of the Year. This award was for voluntary service to help improve the quality of Special Olympics programs. Linda Lippert, head coach of the Eagle Lake Raider team, was this year's recipient. Linda has been actively involved in the local programs for over ten years and currently is co-director and treasurer of Colorado County Special Olympics.

Family Land Heritage begins registration

Agricultural Commissioner Rick Perry announced recently that registration for the 1991 Family Land Heritage Program will open May 6 and extend through August 16.

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WCJC Calendar

Wednesday, May 1: Begins Review Week (May 1-7).
Saturday, May 4: WCJC Madrigal Dinner, 7 p.m. at the Pioneer Student Center.

Tuesday, May 7: WCJC Boosters Club Meeting, 12:30 p.m. Hutchins Memorial Center Dining Room; students Government Meeting, Activity Period, Student Government Office; Phi Beta Lambda Meeting, Activity Period, P-101; All Learning Center Material Due.

Wednesday, May 8: Final Exams Start (May 8-14); Book Buy-back at the Bookstore.

Thursday, May 16: Semester ends; Cafeteria and Dormitories close after lunch; Academic Awards, 4 p.m. at the Pioneer Student Center; Commencement, 8 p.m.

Early season migratory bird hunting regs proposed

Proposed changes in early season migratory game bird hunting involve nontoxic shot, a September teal season, the special white-winged dove season and a modification of the dove season and bag limit.

Under the proposal, nontoxic shot would be required for all waterfowl (duck, goose, brant and coot) hunting statewide, said Ron George, dove program leader at the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department. The proposed federal requirement for the use of nontoxic shot for all waterfowl hunting nationwide in 1991 marks the completion of a five-year plan to implement nontoxic shot that began in 1986. George said prior to implementation the plan an estimated two million waterfowl died annually in North America from ingestion of toxic lead shot.

The department also is proposing the reinstatement of the September teal season and restoration of the special white-winged dove season.

These proposals are dependent upon improved breeding populations for these species, George said. Teal and white-winged doves have suffered from weather-related habitat problems in part of their breeding ranges in recent years. Final decisions on these special seasons will be made by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service

and TPWD "only after a careful evaluation of 1991 breeding population data," he said.

Proposed dates for the teal season are Sept. 21-29 with a daily bag limit of four. Proposed white-winged dove season dates are Sept. 7-8 and 14-15 with an aggregate daily bag limit of 10 white-winged, mourning and white-tipped doves to include no more than two white-tips. The proposed increase from five mourning doves to 10 would require federal approval, George said.

"Even though white-winged populations have been depressed in Texas' traditional white-winged hotspot in the Lower Rio Grande Valley in recent years, white-winged populations in other parts of Texas are doing remarkably well," he said. Consequently, the department is recommending a change in the 12-dove aggregate daily bag limit during the statewide mourning dove season that would permit six, rather than the current two, white-tips plus two white-tips.

Good white-winged breeding populations exist in and around many West, Central and South Texas cities, and white-tips now occur as far north as El Paso and Waco, he said. In addition to a valid hunting license, a hunter is required to have a white-winged dove

stamp to legally hunt white-tips anywhere in Texas.

Based on the 1916 Migratory Bird Convention, a treaty between the U.S. and Canada, federal regulations do not permit any state to open a hunting season on migratory game birds prior to Sept. 1. George said Texas has traditionally opened the mourning dove season in the north and central zones on Sept. 1, regardless of the day of the week. However, since Sept. 1 is on a Sunday in 1991, the proposed Sept. 1 opening may raise some questions among Texas dove hunters. As an alternative, the opening of the mourning dove season could be delayed until the following Saturday (Sept. 7), which would be a major change in a long-standing Texas tradition, he said.

Proposed mourning dove season dates are: North zone, Sept. 1-Nov. 9; Central zone, Sept. 1-Oct. 23 and Jan. 3-19; South zone, Sept. 20-Nov. 11 (ends Nov. 7 in the Special White-winged Dove Area). Under the proposal, the winter dove season in the Central and South zones would begin on a Friday rather than Saturday, George said.

Comments may be addressed to George, TPWD, 4200 Smith School R., Austin, Texas 78744, or call toll-free 1-800-792-1112, ext. 4778 or 512-389-4778.

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