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WCJC Commencement Exercises held May 16

Four Wharton County Junior College students who graduated with two-year perfect grade-point averages of 4.0 were accorded top scholastic honors during 45th Commencement Exercises for 198 Associate Degree recipients Thursday, May 16, 1991.

Prestigious Dean's Awards were presented by WCJC Vice President Dr. Jim A. Coats to El Campoans Amy Carolyn Kresta and John Thomas Sampson Jr., Needville's Kelli Danielle Kainer and Rosenberg's Brad Paul Surovik. Kresta is a business administration major. Sampson is an electronics major. Kainer is a psychology major. Surovik is a business administration major.

Awards Committee Chairman Steve Wilkinson, Dean of Student Development, presented the President's Award to Jeremy Paul Hutchins of Wharton for "best representing those qualities of leadership, academic excellence and high involvement in college activities." Speech major Hutchins, an award-winning forensics competitor, was also involved in drama productions and community activities.

Continuing Education Dean Dr. John E. Brooks named Lesli Anne Johnson of Louise as recipient of the Special Service Award granted to the graduating sophomore "who has distinguished him or her self in the area of service to the student body." Johnson, a biology major, was president of Phi Theta Kappa, one of the nation's top junior college scholastic honors society chapters.

Amanda Kay Vanek, a business management major from El Campo, and active in PTK's Zeta Xi Chapter at WCJC, was presented with the Louise Sealock Phi Theta Kappa Award for her student leadership role. Lesli Johnson was named co-recipient.

Special recognition was given to students who graduated with scholastic honors (g.p.a. of at least 3.5) and high honors (at least 3.8 g.p.a.). Scholars and their home towns are listed below. An asterisk indicates high honor graduates.

Columbus: *Monica Orsak, *Patricia Mangum, Johanna Potter.

Wallis: *Joyce Prihoda, *Diana Fife.

Weimar: Carrol Janak.

Wharton: *Marlise Curlee, *Jeremy Hutchins, Janice Wittig, Mildred Hlavinka, Stephanie Toney.

El Campo: *Amy Kresta, *Anna Hubenak, *Amanda Vanek, *Kimmie Bram, *John Sampson, *Darlene Kocurek, Betsy Parma, Mario Jasso.

Louise: Lesli Johnson.

Bay City: *Carolyn Tyler, Leanne Rugeley, Yvonne Coleman.

Wadsworth: Cynthia McCauley.

Van Vleck: Theresa Kocurek.

Needville: *Denise Eder, *Kelli Kainer.

Rosenberg: *Lynn Martin, *Brad Surovik.

Richmond: *Rhonda Kuykendall.

Orchard: Elvis Zapalac.

Brazoria: Frances Hanna.

Galveston: Eva Marie Salinas.

Katy: Lillian Carroll.

La Grange: Theresa Urbanovsky.

WCJC Board of Trustees Resolutions of Commendation were presented by WCJC President Dr. Elbert C. Hutchins to retiring instructors Dr. Patricia F. Axmann of Wharton, Theresa Ann Kendall of Richmond, and Clif W. Matthys of Wharton.

Matthys taught English and journalism at WCJC for 34 years. Axmann was an instructor of office education at WCJC for 25 years. Kendall was an instructor of sociology at WCJC for 22 years.

WCJC Athletic Director Gene Bahnsen was publicly cited by the Board of Trustees for having coached the Pioneer basketball team since 1959. Men's intercollegiate basketball will be discontinued this fall. Coach Bahnsen is one of the nation's all-time winningest basketball coaches in junior college competition after a string of 609 career victories at WCJC.

Library Programs

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Peter and the Wolf; Hank the Cave Peanut; Goldilocks and the Three Bears.

June 27: The Runt; Charlie Needs a New Cloak; Big Red Barn; Dorothy and the Ostrich.

July 4: Library closed.

July 11: The Frog King; Cricket in Times Square; Madeline's Rescue.

July 18: Booboo Monster Enters a Beauty Contest; Bear and the Mouse; Walter and the Lazy Mouse; Hug Me.

July 26: Dorothy and the Necklace; Corduroy; Naughty Owlet; Clumsy Little Elephant.

Story Hour Programs

June 5: Mrs. Wanda Center; Camp Wanna-Read.

June 12: Mrs. Claudine Shorter; Camp Wild.

June 19: Ms. Gaylynn Livanec; Camp Corral.

June 26: Mrs. Betty Brown; Camp Pow-Wow-Wow!

July 3: Mrs. Claudia Mann; Camp Tra-La-Boom.

July 10: Mrs. Patsy Gertson; Cats for Sale.

July 17: Mrs. Margaret Henry; Camp Create.

July 24: Mrs. Robbin Clipson; Camp Discover.

July 31: Closing Program. Certificates will be awarded and refreshments will be served.

Reading Certificates

Read 10 books to receive a certificate. Parents may read to young children. Begins June 1st and ends July 31st. Certificates will be awarded at closing program.

Library Cards

Cards must be filled in completely for each patron. Patron must show identification. Children's cards must be signed in library by and adult.

Library Hours

Monday — Friday: 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Saturday, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

NOTE: A reminder of each date's activities will be published weekly in The Headlight.

Tax Expert

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Courthouse from 10-11 a.m.

"We'll be happy to sit down with you and fill out your sales tax return, explain which state taxes apply to your particular business and send you home with useful information," Sharp said.

Colorado County area taxpayers who won't be able to meet with Carolyn Arkadie can receive individual tax help by calling the Comptrollers' statewide, toll-free assistance hotline at 1-800-252-5555.

Or, they can contact the Victoria Field Office at 512-575-2874. The Victoria Field Office serves taxpayers in Aransas, Bee, Colorado, Dewitt, Lavaca, Calhoun, Wharton, Matagorda, Victoria, Fayette, Jackson and Refugio counties.

Special Olympics

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Dwayne Lopez, Demont Holloway, Kevin Middleton and Lacretia Sims.

Certificates of Appreciation given for their dedicated help in the Special Olympics programs were: Judy Wright, Dorothy Peters, Sandra Guthrie, Sadie Sillavan, Dr. Jose Ugarte, The First Baptist Church and the Martha Sunday School Class and the Eagle Lake Headlight. Not present but receiving certificates were Dr. Raymond Thomas, Dr. Russell Thomas and United Way of Eagle Lake.

We would like to thank all of these people and organizations who have given so much to help Colorado County Special Olympics.

This year awards were given to the coaches for all their dedicated help. Coaches

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Extension Homemakers Report

May 3

Friday, May 3 seven members of the Extension Homemakers (Go Getters) picked up highway trash on a volunteer two-mile designated portion of Hwy. 90A.

May 14

The monthly meeting held at 1:30 p.m. on Tuesday, May 14 consisted of 14 members and a guest, LaVonne Gilleland. President Carolyn Briscoe gave a program entitled, "Set Your Butterflies Free".

Joyce Horn gave a report on the annual District 11 meeting which she attended at Camp Allen in Waller, serving as the voting delegate. Council delegate Ora Tesh gave a report on the activities of the council. Following the meeting, everyone enjoyed coffee, tea, lemonade and cookies which were provided by Gladys Nay.

The Go Getter booth at the Sheridan Benefair did very well selling coffee, tea, lemonade and cookies. The float also received 3rd place in the miscellaneous category.

Parenting Seminar at Orchard Creek Hospital

In celebration of Mental Health Month, Orchard Creek Hospital, (located at 4910 Airport Avenue in Rosenberg), will host a free community education program, "Parenting With Love", on Thursday, May 30, from 7 to 8:30 p.m. in the hospital auditorium. This workshop is for parents interested in becoming more familiar with parenting and communication skills.

The program will provide the participants with a better understanding of an approach to raising children that will encourage them to learn self-discipline, responsibility, cooperation and problem solving skills.

Denise McGaha, CSW-ACP, a psychotherapist with Orchard Creek will present the workshop. McGaha has extensive experience in working with families. She received her Bachelor's Degree and Masters of Social Work from the University of South Carolina in Spartanberg and Columbia, South Carolina respectively.

The workshop is free and open to the community. For more information or to R.S.V.P. call 713-341-0010.

New Lab

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ages of defects. It can detect coronary heart disease, defective heart valves and congenital heart defects.

GCMC has purchased a cardiovascular angiography unit from Shimadzu Medical Equipment, a Gardena, California-based manufacturer. The unit, with its high speed computer, will enable Dr. Zorrilla to quickly make comprehensive cardiac examinations with unprecedented detail. The system is also equipped to do cerebral, abdominal and peripheral angiography, which can provide information on other areas of the circulatory system.

The accessibility of this technology should increase earlier identification of heart disease for patients within GCMC's service area. For this reason, local leaders enthusiastically support the project and its far reaching benefits.

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Rice High School Class of 1991 Memories...

We Salute the 1991 Rice High School Graduating Class!

Members of the Graduating Class of 1991 from Rice High School were among the students honored at the Annual Awards Banquet held May 9th. Pictured above are, front row, left to right, Aresssa Williams, Dustin Hengst, Cassandra Edwards, Tammy Hinze, Becky Faichtinger, Rodney Sosa, Natalie Cordova, Veronica Garcia; middle row, Hector Tapia, Rachel Weishuhn, Noble Anderson, Heather Abel, Darryl Anderson, Lareina Pence, Sher Sunderman and Patricia Thomas; back row, Steve Kutach, Rita Kay Rhodes, Kevin Williams, Wade Satsky, Cesar Houseye, Tom Gold and Jason Dulany.

Congratulations to all the honorees at this year's banquet.

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Eagle Lake, Koll Peach, Sandy Neudendoff, Veronica Fields, Debbie Floyd, Jerry Perrino and Judy Pustejovsky, all of Columbus.

Linda Lipperdt received a special plaque that had been hand made by Jerry Perrino.

Also receiving plaques in recognition of their dedication and help in Area 3 Special Olympics and Colorado County Special Olympics were: Pat Rutledge, Area 3 Director; Billie Faye Marshall, Assistant Area 3 Director; and Mel and Charlotte Meanor, Fund Raising and Treasurer.

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