

OBITUARIES

Charles Nelson Duddleston, Jr.

December 12, 1923-November 22, 1991

Charles Nelson Duddleston Jr., age 67, of Iowa, La., passed away Friday, November 22, 1991, at the Lake Charles Memorial Hospital, Lake Charles, La., following a lengthy illness.

A native of Colorado County, he was born at Bernardo on December 12, 1923, to Charles N. and Mary (Diedrich) Duddleston. He attended school in Bernardo and Columbus in his youth.

He served in the U.S. Army during World War II, was a member of VFW Post #10019 of Cameron, La., American Legion Post #364 of Grand Chien, La. He was a member of Masonic Lodge #439, AF and AM of Cameron, and was presently serving as it's worshipful master; a member of Scottish Rite Bodies of Lake Charles; member of South Central Baseball Hall of Fame; and owned and operated Duddleston Welding Service of Cameron for 20 years.

He was a member of Grace Lutheran Church of Eagle Lake.

He was preceded in death by his mother, a son, James Donald Duddleston, and a brother-in-law, David Koneschek.

Sympathy is extended to the family in their loss.

Willie Lee Fitzgerald, Sr.

"Prof"

August 8, 1920 - November 20, 1991

Born August 8, 1920, in Alleyton, to the late Leon and Mary Fitzgerald, Willie was the third of five children. He peacefully left our world on November 20, 1991, to be with God, his parents and siblings.

He was a lifelong member of Mt. Mariah Baptist Church in Alleyton. He received his early education in the public schools of Columbus. The dedication and drive to help his fellow man were ignited through early encounters with influential teachers in the church and schools of the community. His parents nurtured this drive which led him to Prairie View A&M University. He graduated with Bachelor of Science and Master of Science degrees in agriculture. He was a lifetime member of the Prairie View A&M University Alumni Association.

During World War II, he served in the United States Army. "Prof", as he was affectionately known by his students, was committed to challenging his students to "be the best." During his 41 year career as a teacher, 37 years of faithful, dedicated, unselfish service to students in the Eagle Lake area high schools — E.H. Henry High, Eagle Lake High and Rice Consolidated High — allowed him the opportunity to touch many lives which affect eternity. In 1984, he retired from the Rice Consolidated School District.

He often stood proud when he could marvel at the accomplishments of his students, relatives and children. No one knows where his influence stops.

He leaves to mourn: his loving and devoted wife of 39 years, Dorothy C. Fitzgerald; one daughter, Billie Fitzgerald Alford of Houston; two sons and daughters-in-law, Willie Jr. and Carolyn Fitzgerald of Houston, Daryl and Cheryl Fitzgerald of San Antonio; three grandchildren, Shaundelyn Alford, Willie L. Fitzgerald, III and Corey R. Fitzgerald; and a host of loving relatives and friends.

Funeral services were held at 2 p.m. on Saturday, November 23, 1991, at St. Paul's United Methodist Church in Columbus with Rev. O. Rhodes, officiating.

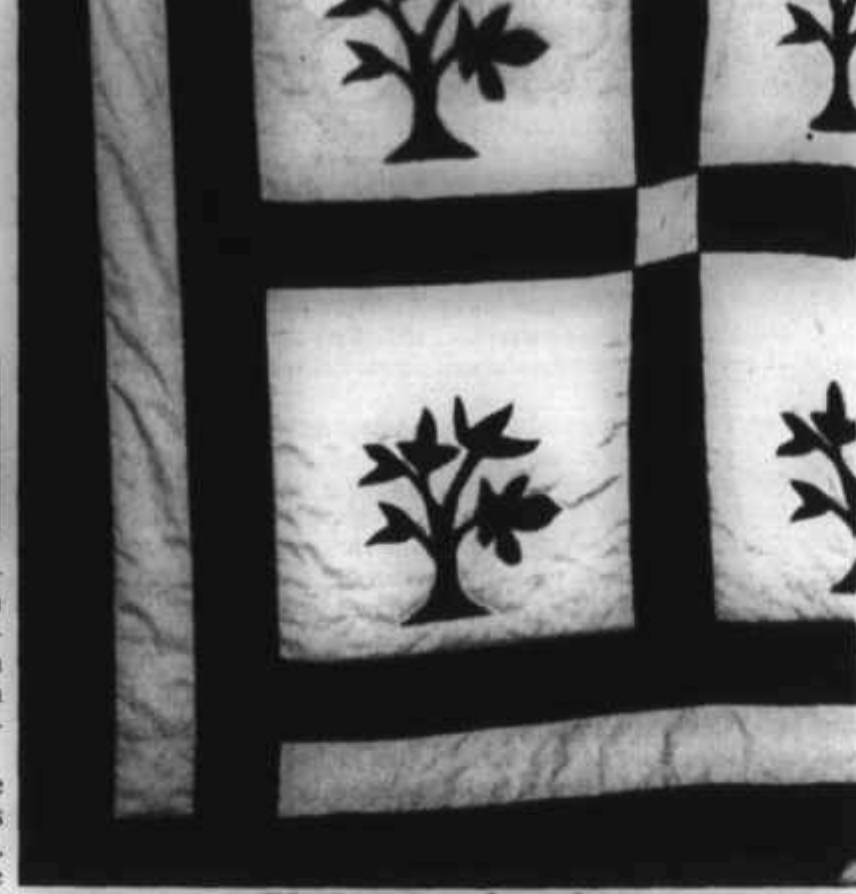
Interment followed in the Willing Worker's Cemetery in Columbus. Pallbearers were: Finest Axel Thomas Bryant, Caron Fitzgerald, Isaac Matthews, Wilbert Matthews, Dwight Rhodes, Kenneth Stevens, Curtis Donaldson.

Sympathy is extended to the family in their loss.

Funeral services were held at 2 p.m. Monday, Nov. 25, from Dulany Funeral Home Chapel, Eagle Lake, with Rev. John Anderson, pastor of Grace Lutheran Church, Eagle Lake, officiating. Carol Joyce Ripper served as organist and son-in-law Don Tomson was soloist. Interment followed in Myrtle Cemetery, Rock Island.

Pallbearers were Gary Henry, David Tomson, John Perry, Larry Oradovsky, Alfred Zikuhr and Curtis Tate. Honorary pallbearers were R.L. "Bobby" Baird Jr., A.E. Oradovsky, Kevin Duke and Wilfred Frnk Jr.

Sympathy is extended to the family in their loss.



Christmas drawing

Our Lady of Perpetual Help will have a Christmas drawing on Dec. 6 for this beautiful Cotton Boll Quilt. There will also be a Nativity Set and a surprise package valued at \$35 in the drawing. Anyone who would like to enter the drawing for the quilt or other items may contact any church member. The quilt is on display at JoAnn's.

Headlight Photo by Jeannine Fearing

Garwood/Nada News

By Georgia Michalka

Lights This week traditionally opens the holiday season. Lots of folks will stuff with turkey, dressing, pumpkin pie and football games, then head off to catch the day-after-Thanksgiving sales at the local stores and closest malls.

It promises to be a busy season, hopefully filled with cheer, and there's going to be some things right here in Garwood you won't want to miss.

The Garwood Community Association is planning to revive an old Christmas tradition and who knows, maybe start a new one. The Association has enlisted the help of several downtown businesses so that once again Christmas lights will shine brightly from their store fronts. On Wednesday, Dec. 4, Santa is going to light up Garwood and that jolly old elf will be in town to light the lights at 6:00. There will be carolers, a live nativity scene and a stew supper as well. It looks like a big evening for Garwood, so make plans to attend.

Homemakers The Nada/Garwood Extension Homemakers met at the Parish Hall Tuesday, November 19. Roll call was answered with "Something I Am Thankful For".

The ladies made plans for the Colorado/Fayette County Pecan Show which will be held Dec. 5 at the Nada Community Center. All participants will receive a recipe book. Entries will go on sale at 1 p.m. The public is invited and encouraged to purchase some delicious baked goods for the holidays.

Thursday's Treasures in Columbus is having a special Open House for E.H. members only on Monday, Nov. 25, from 10 until noon.

Tillie Janish, Lucille Till and Elizabeth Schoellmann served kolaches at the Amtrak open house in Columbus. The club voted to adopt disabled persons for Christmas. Joyce Ohm of the Sheridan "Go Getter E.H. Club" gave an interesting report on the state TEH meeting in Austin. Nine hundred fifty-one Extension Homemakers attended the three day conference. There was a skit entitled "Steel Begonias" which offered ways for women to travel alone safely.

Elizabeth Schoellmann served morning snacks of fruit, coffee, juice, poppyseed roll and crackers. La Juan Braden won the door prize.

December Birthdays
1: Jean Meisner.
2: Brittany Waligura.
3: Carmen Dots.
4: James Drlik, Clinton Faas.
5: Bunge Halla, Jim Jurica, Noelle Jurica.
6: Debora Shimek, Joan Smith.
7: Shari Popp, Howard Lobpries.
December Anniversaries
4: Mr. & Mrs. David Little.

State tax information available

Don't freeze up on tax information this winter. For the facts on taxes, write to the Comptroller of Public Accounts, Austin TX, 78774. Or you may call the toll free number: 1-800-252-5555.

Lifeline service aids low income phone customers

For many low income customers, Southwestern Bell Telephone's new Lifeline Service provides local telephone service at a fraction of its normal cost.

As of Aug. 29, customers with an income of below the poverty level (as determined by the U.S. Office of Management and Budget) become eligible for a \$7 reduction in their monthly residential service charge.

The Lifeline program is part of a negotiated settlement approved last year by the Texas Public Utilities Commission. The settlement includes customer benefits of \$1.2 billion over the next four years.

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Kerry Sims receives Student Pride Award

By JENNIFER WIED

This week we would like to congratulate senior Kerry Sims upon receiving the Student Pride Award.

Kerry is involved in many activities in school. He is an active member of both Future Farmers of America



Kerry Sims

Who's Zat?

By BONNIE BENGE

Not many students are fooled by this barefoot cowpoke. The only clue given is that he is a junior. Here is what some students in Lunch B think.

Keshia Tillman caused a stampede by guessing Melvin Anderson. Eddie Fields loses his heifers in the woods when he guesses Arlen Lemons. Kristin Tillman and Mrs. Coreathers really drove the cows downstream by guessing Garland Axel and Adrian Farrow respectively.

Those students having a successful round-up are Kamika Davis, Demetria Dancy, Michele Owens, Stacie Lowe, Dawn Piccolini and Evelyn Washington. They all know this handsome young man is Kendrick Henderson. Kendrick is the son of Kathreen and Larry Henderson of Altair.



Mrs. Linda Chapman

Rice CISD Menu

All meals served with milk.
Mon., Dec. 2: Breakfast: peanut butter-jelly toast or cereal, juice; Snackbar: BBQ ribs, French fries, sliced pickles, fruit; Luncheon: chicken nuggets, rice, gravy, mixed vegetables, fruit, hot roll.

Tues., Dec. 3: Breakfast: pancakes with syrup or cereal, juice; Snackbar: hamburger, French fries, burger salad; Luncheon: spaghetti with zesty Italian meat sauce, corn, fruit, baked bread.

Wed., Dec. 4: Breakfast: doughnut or cereal, juice; Snackbar: burrito with chili and cheese, cornbread; Luncheon: Steak finger, mashed potatoes, gravy, peas and carrots, fruit, hot roll.

Thurs., Dec. 5: Breakfast: biscuit, sausage, jelly or cereal, juice; Snackbar: chicken fried steak, gravy, French fries, fruit, hot roll; Luncheon: sloppy Joes, chips, pickles, baked beans, fruit.

Fri., Dec. 6: Breakfast: cinnamon roll or cereal, juice; Snackbar: taco roll, French fries, fruit; Luncheon: pizza, green beans, fruit; chocolate chip cookies.

WCJC Calendar for December

Sunday, 1: Dormitories open at 2 p.m.
Monday, 2: Classes begin at 8 a.m.
Review week, Dec. 2-6.
Thursday, 5: Annual Candlelight service at 7:30 p.m. at First Baptist Church, Wharton.
Sunday, 8: Chamber Singers present "Amahl and the Night Visitors" by Menotti, 3 p.m. at Horton Foot Theatre.
Monday, 9: Final examinations and book buy-back at campus bookstore, Dec. 9-13.
Wednesday, 11: College Night, Showplace III admission \$2.75. Must present ID.
Friday, 13: Semester ends, cafeteria and dormitories close after lunch.



Pictured left to right are Shari Grahmann, Josh Grahmann and Becky Korenek. Not pictured are Rebecca Sosa and Ramiro Hernandez.

UIL readys for spelling

By AMY LEOPOLD

This week, the UIL feature is the Spelling Contest. Josh Grahmann, Shari Grahmann, Rebecca Sosa, Becky Korenek and Ramiro Hernandez learn fifty words a week in order to be prepared for the UIL contest to be held on Friday, April 3, 1992 at Blinn College.

Each student has received a book of about 2,110 words. By contest time, Mrs. Gohlke plans to have covered the entire book by giving a fifty word test once a week during tutorial. A tally of the scores is kept and the top three go to the contest, while the other two are alternates.

At the meet, there will be three parts to the contest. Part I will be a written section. The student will be given a list of about five words and will have to find the misspelled words, if any, and spell them correctly.

In Part II, an instructor will pronounce the words and the students must spell them on a piece of paper.

Part III is also a pronunciation-administered test, but it is graded only as a tie-breaker. These elite students at Rice plan to attend a few practice meets, including the one at Rice, before going to the district meet at Blinn. We wish these spellers the best of luck in the contest.

Meet the teacher: Mrs. Chapman

By PATRICIA LARES

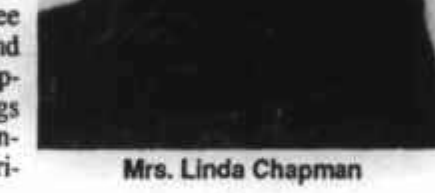
The new faculty member in the spotlight this week is Rice High School's newest counselor, Mrs. Linda Chapman. Mrs. Chapman was interviewed and we learned that she received her BA in Speech and Hearing Pathology at Pan American University in Edinburg. She also received her Masters degree in Counseling and Guidance at UT Pan Am. Mrs. Chapman used to teach in McAllen ISD for six years, Schenley ISD for three years and also Shiner for one year. She's married to Robert Chapman who works as a mechanical specialist for Shell and she has three children: Colton, 12, Kevin, 9, and Siobhan, 7. She enjoys reading, camping out, swimming and family outings like going to the city, plays and concerts. She also enjoys visiting historical places and taking vacations.

Mrs. Chapman said her impressions of RHC were, "I like the culture, diversity and the people. Also, the faculty and staff have been warm, friendly and encouraging." She was asked what changes she had to adjust to with the change of schools, and she responded with, "Getting to know the kids is difficult and it's a disadvantage."

because you don't know the kids. They don't know you enough to trust you."

Her personal goals as the RHC counselor are, "For every student who graduates to have a plan for their future. I would also like to help them become aware of their options for their life's goals." Mrs. Chapman and her family live in Hallettsville, TX.

A demonstration was given on how to apply make-up. First, everyone cleaned their faces and then Shari took a picture to show how each student looked before the completed makeover. Shari then let each student



Mrs. Linda Chapman

SWT has local graduates

Marsha Hoffman of Nada and Donna Lynn Drlik of Garwood were among the 1,447 Southwest Texas State University students who were candidates for degrees awarded in summer commencement ceremonies August 16 and 17.

Hoffman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Leopold and the late Joseph Hoffman, received a bachelor of business administration degree with a major in management. Hoffman was a member of the American Marketing Association and was a Dean's List student. She also received the Wall Street Journal Award and the Louise Lindey Merck Scholarship.

Drlik, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Drlik, received a bachelor of science degree in health professions with a major in health care administration.

Lena Guerrero, Texas Railroad Commission chair, delivered the keynote address during the undergraduate ceremony August 17 in Strahan Coliseum. The student speaker was graduating business major Osama Atallah of Saudi Arabia. There were 896 bachelors and 22 associates' degree candidates.

Dr. Paul R. Gowers, professor of economics and dean of the SWT School of Business, delivered the commencement address at the Graduate School ceremony August 16 in Evans Auditorium. There were 238 candidates for master's degrees.

WCJC therapy assistant grads pass state exams

The first graduating class of the Physical Therapist Assistant Program has received a 100 percent passing rate on the Texas licensure exam announced Betty Salas, program director at Wharton County Junior College. The exam was administered by the Texas State Board of Physical Therapy Examiners on July 25, 1991 in Austin, Texas.

The graduates who successfully took the state exam for Physical Therapist Assistant are Carrie Grigar of East Bernard, who now works at Healthfocus in Wharton and Monica Orsak of Columbus, employed by Columbus Physical Therapy. Also passing were Cheryl Baker of Inez; Jennifer Thomas of Missouri City; Carolyn Tyler of Bay City; Paula Wehmeyer of Port Lavaca.

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Meet the Raiders

By VICKI DRLIK

This week's Meet the Raider is Senior Eddie Fields, who wears the jersey #34 on the varsity basketball team. Eddie thinks the basketball program is great due to the structure and intensity of the practices. He feels the team will do really well this year and a lot of victories will be achieved. Eddie feels Coach Reynolds knows a lot about basketball and says he is a real "cool coach."

Eddie's hobbies include dancing, riding horses and playing football, basketball and running track. He hopefully plans to attend college on a scholarship after high school. Eddie is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Earnest Fields Sr. of Eagle Lake.



Eddie Fields

Meet the Lady Raiders

By SHANNON WESSELSKI

This week's Lady Raider basketball spotlight is on senior Bonnie Benge. Bonnie, wearing jersey #4, plays forward and guard.

Bonnie has a positive outlook on this year's basketball program. "It is really hard with this being our third coach, but we are gradually conforming to this new style of play," she stated.

She feels that the team has a lot of improving to do but she is looking for the team to be very competitive. "We are willing to work hard and learn, and each day we are improving," commented Bonnie on the team.

When asked about the girls' basketball coach, she replied, "She's a hard coach but she's a motivator and a competitor. She hates to lose and has what it takes to lead a team to the state playoffs." Bonnie also thinks Coach Radin is very knowledgeable about the game and dedicated to her job.

Bonnie hopes to get a basketball scholarship but if that doesn't work out, she would like to attend Texas A&M and get a degree in sports medicine.

Bonnie is the daughter of Major and Sandra Benge of Eagle Lake.

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