

OBITUARY

Wilburn 'Boots' Wessels

September 14, 1930 — August 30, 1993

Wilburn "Boots" Wessels, 62, of Columbus died August 30, 1993, at his residence.

He was born September 14, 1930, in Rutersville, the son of Gilbert and Gesina Frerichs Wessels.

Wessels was united in marriage to Dolores Reuter on November 28, 1954.

He was a member of St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Columbus, Herman Sons Lodge in Rutersville and Woodman of the World where he served as treasurer for many years.

Wessels was retired from Holman Inc. Gravel Ind. where he was superintendent.

He was preceded in death by his parents and a brother, Lavern Wessels.

Survivors include his wife; two sons and daughters-in-law, Richard and Anna Wessels and Doug and Anne Wessels, all of Columbus; a brother and two sisters-in-law, Glen Roy and Margaret Wessels of Lake Jackson and Betty Thomas of Clute; mother-in-law, Edna Reuter of La Grange; and five grandchildren.

Funeral services were held at 3 p.m., September 1 at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Columbus with Rev. John Hunsicker officiating. Henneke Funeral Home of Columbus directed the arrangements. Burial followed at Rutersville Cemetery.

Palbearers were Charles Dippel, Tom Kristof, Richard Meyer, Daniel Kovar, John Korenek and Russell Renick.

Sympathy is extended to the family in their loss.



New doctors honored

South Texas Medical Clinics gave a reception honoring four new doctors who recently joined the clinic.

Doctors and their wives were joined by guests at the Wharton Civic Center's O'Quinn Room on Aug. 6 at 6:30 p.m.

From left are Dr. Stephen D. Scoggins and his wife Vanessa, Betsy and Dr. Keith Schultz, Jill and Dr. Jeffrey M. Whelan, Robyn and Dr. David Partridge.

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Survey

in 1992.

"The progress achieved thus far reflects a change in society's attitudes towards alcohol and other drugs," said Bob Dickson, executive director of the TCADA. "This change has been brought about by families, schools, communities and policymakers working together in prevention efforts to ensure a brighter future for their children."

Although these figures are encouraging, Dickson cautioned that much work remains to be done in combating the substance abuse problem among Texas youth. Almost a third of recent high school graduates have used drugs such as marijuana, amphetamines and cocaine.

Minority students remain particu-

larly susceptible to such substance use. Black students in 1992 were more likely to have ever drunk alcohol than black students in 1988. Hispanic students still have the largest proportion of youth who report past-month use of illicit drugs, as has been the case since 1988.

"While we have achieved some level of success in reducing the drug use among our youth, we must continue to keep the momentum moving in the right direction," Dickson added. "We recognize that alcohol and drug use continues to be a problem among secondary students. This survey helps us to better define where we need to increase and focus our prevention efforts."

The survey also points to some

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The Texas Survey is the only project which combines a periodic state-level survey effort with local survey services. A full report on results from the 1992 Texas School Survey is available from the Planning and Evaluation Department of TCASA. Results for students in grades four-six will be released soon.

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Three thefts in Eagle Lake area reported by Sheriff's Department

Colorado County Sheriff's officers investigated three separate thefts in the southern part of the county last weekend.

Deputy Leonard Peters investigated a theft at M&M Gravel near Altair in which 10 truck tires were taken from two trucks.

At 5:11 a.m., Peters was dispatched to M&M where he learned that four outside rear tires had been removed from a blue Mack tandem dump belonging to the Frank Marek Trucking Company. The truck was loaded at the time.

Six tires were missing from an International Eagle dump belonging to Joseph Janaki.

The gate to the gravel pit was locked, however the lock is a combination and numerous persons have

been given the combination. There were footprints and the case is under investigation.

Sometime between Sept. 4 at 11:30 a.m. and Sept. 5 at 5:30 p.m., eight tires and rims were taken from the back of a truck trailer belonging to Specialty Sand Co. on Calhoun Road. Deputy Troy Neisner investigated the theft report.

Neisner was told the truck had been parked at 11:30 a.m. Saturday between several other trucks. No other trucks were bothered. Shoe prints were found at the scene.

The tires and rims are valued at a total of \$1,200. The case is under investigation.

Sept. 5 at 5:40 a.m., Deputy Jim Parcell was dispatched to a report of a stolen vehicle at East Side Auto on Hwy. 90A in Eagle Lake.

The owner, B.J. Williams, reported that when he arrived at 5 a.m. Sunday morning and noticed the dark grey 1989 Olds Cutlass Ciera was gone.

The vehicle had been on the lot at 9:07 p.m. Saturday night when a security check was made by a county deputy, but Eagle Lake Police Officer Jeff Argo noted that he had observed the open space when he patrolled the area about 1:30 a.m.

Also, an attempt had been made to enter the vehicle next to the space where the Olds had been stolen. There were pry marks on the driver side window frame.

Finger prints were obtained from the vehicle. The case is under investigation.

ELCH PATIENT LIST

Eagle Lake Community Hospital admitted and dismissed the following patients the two weeks ending Aug. 30.

ADMISSIONS

Eagle Lake: Antonio Coronado, Hazel Tise, Anna Coleman, Jimmy Kiebertz; Columbus: Robert Biggs; La Grange: Anderson Baby Girl; East Bernard: Brenda Johnson & Baby Boy; Simonton: Dorothy Parks;

Wharton: Edward Moses; Garwood: Randy Manciaz, Walter Lowe; Hallettsville: Lisa Hermes & Baby Girl; San Felipe: Wilma Lewis; Houston: Elijah Chitwood & Baby Boy.

DISMISSALS

Eagle Lake: Monica Poole & Baby Girl, Antonio Coronado, Anna Coleman, Jimmy Kiebertz, Rosie Pettis, Deon Dabney; Wharton: Lupe

Acosta & Baby Girl, Delores Sanchez & Baby Girl, Edward Moses; Columbus: Jennifer Duarte & Baby Girl; La Grange: Paula Anderson & Baby Girl; East Bernard: Wanda Hullin & Baby Boy; New Ulm: Sharon Burns & Baby Boy; Altair: Arthur Fudge; Weimar: Brenda Johnson & Baby Boy; Simonton: Dorothy Parks; Sealy: Sonia Stark & Baby Boy; Wallis: Michelle Knapp & Baby Girl.

Chef's cookoff highlights herb conference

The seventh annual Texas Herb Growers and Marketers Conference to be held Sept. 11-12 at College Station offers three unique activities for the public interest.

The conference at the Memorial Student Center of Texas A&M University is sponsored by the Texas Herb Growers and Marketers Association.

A new entertainment and educational event this year is the Chef Cookoff. Outstanding chefs from across the state will compete to create the best entree with fresh Texas-grown herbs beginning at 2 p.m. Sept. 11.

Also featured will be the Herb Market, an extension of the popular herb markets held around the state by the association. It will be open to the

general public this year from 1-5 p.m. Saturday. The Herb Market includes plants, crafts, potpourris, books and other related products.

Short courses and demonstrations will be part of the conference with three running concurrently from 9 a.m. to noon Sunday. Topics include growing, propagating, crafting and other items of interest about herb.

For information about the conference, contact Ken Schultz at 713-351-2641 or Dr. Samuel Cotner at 409-845-7341.

Predator management training next Wednesday

A predator management training program will be conducted Wednesday, Sept. 15, at the Colorado County Agricultural Extension Office in Columbus. The course will be from 6 to 9 p.m.

The program will cover identifying causes of predation, alternative methods of predator control and M-44 sodium cyanide application.

The Texas Dept. of Agriculture and the Extension Service will conduct the free training session.

Individuals who want to use M-44 sodium cyanide to control coyotes, feral dogs and foxes preying on livestock should attend the course.

To continue using M-44, applicators certified prior to April 18, 1988, must take the course and be recertified.

Proper certification to use M-44 sodium cyanide also requires possession of a private applicator license or certificate, noncommercial or commercial applicator license to purchase restricted use and state limited use pesticides.

Information on obtaining these types of license will be covered at the training session.

For additional information on the course, contact Murray Walton at 512-463-0013 or Extension Agent Rick Jahn at 409-732-2082.

Live Oak to display Texas watercolors

Prize winning watercolors are on exhibit at the Live Oak Art Center through Oct. 1. The best selections of the 44th annual juried show of Texas Watercolor Society of San Antonio are to be displayed in the Columbus center.

There are 27 pictures including all of the prize winners from the San Antonio show. They were selected from among 805 entries submitted by 374 artists from 24 states and seven foreign countries.

In conjunction with the show, the art center will offer a watercolor workshop for beginning and intermediate level adult painters. Sally Weeks will conduct the workshop Saturday, Sept. 18, from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. on the second floor of the art center. Enrollment is limited to 12 people.

To enroll, send \$25 to Watercolor Workshop, Live Oak Art Center, 1014 Milam St., Columbus, TX 78934. All materials for the workshop will be available for a small additional fee. For additional information contact Weeks at 409-732-2788.

Cat Spring to have antique show

The second weekend in Sept. has been set for an antique show and sale in Cat Spring, about 12 miles northwest of Sealy. The Cat Spring Agricultural Society Hall is the site of the show Sept. 11 and 12. The hall was built in 1904.

This eighth annual show will feature approximately 50 selected dealers with primitive and country items such as furniture, glass, jewelry, silver toys and collectibles. Admission is \$2.50 and the show will be open from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday and 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday. Food and beverages will be available.

Plans made for Grande Days

The El Campo Chamber of Commerce is sponsoring the Grande Day XVI Harvest Festival Sept. 18. The

yearly event celebrates the different agricultural products raised in the area.

This year's highlighted crop will be the field of aquaculture. Events will take place Saturday, Sept. 18, from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. in Alamo Park in El Campo.

Events will include a Cotton Ball Chili Cookoff along with pinto bean cookoff. A rice dish contest, bike ride, ice block melt, volleyball tournament and kiddie carnival with train rides are all scheduled.

Arts and crafts booths, food and drink booths, a biergarten with live music, games and contests, moon walk, dunking booth, face painting and much more are also planned.

For information about Grande Days contact Debbie Kana at the chamber office, 409-543-2713.

Bible Verse of the Week

"Use hospitality one to another with our grudging." — 1 Peter 4:9

Submitted by Neddy Phillips

COLORADO COUNTY FAIR NEWS

Y'all Come... September 9-12



Junior Fair Queens

Winners in the Colorado County Fair Junior Queen Pageant included, from left, First Runner-up Amanda Potter of Columbus, Miss Congeniality and Junior

Queen Julia Birmingham of Nada and Second Runner-up Kristi Wick of Columbus.

Banner Press Photo by Betty Campos



Little Mr. & Miss

The contest to choose the 1993 Colorado County Fair Little Mr. and Miss was held Sunday, Sept. 5, at the Eagle Lake Primary School.

The top finishers were, from left, Second Runner-up Brandi Bates, daughter of Tammy Bates of Columbus; First Runner-up Katie Schindler, daughter of Allen and Luane Schindler of Alletton; Little Miss

Shannon Neill, daughter of Patrick and Cimone Neill of Columbus; Little Mr. Kory Janow, son of Ron and Denise Janow of Eagle Lake; First Runner-up Joshua Dvorak, son of Glen and Kelly Dvorak of Columbus; and Nathan Labay, son of Bobby and Debbie Labay of Eagle Lake.

Headlight Photo by Jeannine Fearing

Junior Miss

Jaime Lauren Gerik, 7 year old daughter of Thomas and Shannon Gerik of Columbus, was chosen Saturday out of 14 contestants to serve as Junior Miss Colorado County Fair for 1993. Pictured with Jaime, center, is Second Runner-up, Leah Laurentz, left, daughter of Alan and Mitzi Laurentz of Alletton, and First Runner-up, Andrea Contreras, daughter of Gregory and Lydia Contreras of Eagle Lake.

Headlight Photo by Jeannine Fearing

Parade

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Everyone in the area is encouraged to be in Columbus on Saturday at 11 a.m. to see Harvey T and the entire lineup of entries in the county fair parade. For parade information call 409-732-5630.



Harvey T

1993 Junior Miss & Mr., Little Miss & Mr.

The competition for Junior Miss and Mr. and Little Miss and Mr. Colorado County Fair was held at the Eagle Lake Primary School.

The Junior division was held Saturday and the Little Miss and Mr. were chosen Sunday. Participating in the competition were:

Junior Miss entries
Andrea Renee Contreras*, 8 year old daughter of Gregory and Lydia Contreras, Eagle Lake;
Lyndee Haley, 8 year old daughter of Bill and Colleen Haley, Columbus;
Alicia Marie Noska, 9 year old daughter of Gary and Rita Noska, Columbus;
Monika Castaneda, 7 year old daughter of Ron and Kay Hughes, Alletton;
Lissa Goldsmith, 9 year old daughter of Mark and Leslie Goldsmith, Columbus;
Andrea Rochelle Wilson, 8 year old daughter of Sirca and Debbie Wilson, Columbus;
Amazda Kaye Corliss, 7 year old daughter of Clifford and Candace Corliss, Columbus;

Leah Laurentz*, 8 year old daughter of Alan and Mitzi Laurentz, Alletton;
Kristin Sanchez, 8 year old daughter of Theresa Jurica and Jake Sanchez, Columbus;

Ashely Nicole Wilson, 9 year old daughter of Sirca and Debbie Wilson, Columbus;

Tiffany Kaye Perry, 8 year old daughter of Jimmy and Sarah Perry, Garwood;
Jaime Lauren Gerik***, 7 year old daughter of Thomas and Shannon Gerik, Columbus;

Candice "Candy" Marie Blaschke, 9 year old daughter of Nolan and Catherine Blaschke, Columbus; and
Jill Ashley Kloesel, 8 year old daughter of Mark and Shannon Kloesel, Weimar.

Junior Mr. entries
Davis Frank McClain**, 9 year old son of Frank and Jeanne McClain, Rock Island;

Caleb Poonitzsch***, 7 year old son of Russell and Dolores Poonitzsch, New Ulm; and
Russell Ryan Hadley*, 7 year old son of Dwight and Susan Hadley, Eagle Lake.

Little Miss entries
Alexandra "Alex" M. Raabe, 5 year old daughter of Debra Raabe, Columbus;
Christalynn "Chrissy" Pearl Stelfox, 4 year old daughter of Terri Lynn Stelfox, Columbus;

Lauren Michelle Trojacek, 4 year old daughter of Gerald and Joan Trojacek, New Ulm;

Heather Behrens, 6 year old daughter of Burton and Genia Behrens, Columbus;
April Renee Linkhart, 5 year old daughter of Dean and Ruthie Linkhart, Columbus;

Megan Renee Blocher, 5 year old

daughter of Gerald and Sharon Blocher, Alletton;

Kelly Marie Jahn, 5 year old daughter of Rick and Laurie Jahn, Columbus;

Laura Goldsmith, 5 year old daughter of Mark and Leslie Goldsmith, Columbus;

Shannon Cherise Neill***, 4 year old daughter of Patrick and Cimone Neill, Columbus;

Christine Wostarek, 5 year old daughter of Mike and Dorothy Wostarek, New Ulm;

Jenna Gerik, 4 year old daughter of Thomas and Shannon Gerik, Columbus;

Stacie Wied, 6 year old daughter of Jeff and Annette Wied, Garwood;

Courtney Nicole Sklar, 4 year old daughter of Don Sklar and Pam Crum-Sklar, Garwood;

Hannah Nicole Stavinocha, 4 year old daughter of Buddy and Trudi Stavinocha, Columbus;

Samantha Schobel, 5 year old daughter of Scott and Audrey Schobel, Columbus;

Katie Joye Schindler**, 6 year old daughter of Allen and Luane Schindler, Alletton;

Misty Diane Jacobs, 4 year old daughter of Carlene Jacobs, Columbus; and
Brandi Nicole Bates*, 5 year old daughter of Tammy Bates, Columbus.

Little Mr. entries
Jacob Frank, 5 year old son of Daniel and Mary Frank, Columbus;

Austen Michael Dittmar, 4 year old son of Dusty and Dawn Dittmar, Columbus;

Jake Edward Boettcher, 5 year old son of Edward and Suzi Boettcher, Columbus;

Joshua Dvorak**, 5 year old son of Glen and Kelly Dvorak, Columbus;

Nathan Labay*, 6 year old son of Bobby and Debbie Labay, Eagle Lake;

Clayton Wayne Bowen, 4 year old son of Wayne and Joann Bowen, Eagle Lake; and
Kory Janow***, 5 year old son of Ron and Denise Janow, Eagle Lake.

*Second runner up. **First runner up. ***Winner

Chosen to serve as the 1993 Junior Mister for the Colorado County Fair is Caleb Poonitzsch, 7 year old son of Russell and Dolores Poonitzsch of New Ulm. Caleb, center, is pictured with Second Runner-up Russell Hadley, right, and Davis Frank McClain, First Runner-up. Russell is the son of Dwight and Susan Hadley of Eagle Lake. Davis is the son of Frank and Jeanne McClain of Rock Island. Headlight Photo by Jeannine Fearing

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