OBITUARY

Rublee Phillip Drymalla

May 19, 1914 - December 2, 1993

Rublee Phillip Drymalla, 79, of Fayetteville, passed away Thursday, December 2, 1993, at Eagle Lake Community Hospital as a result of a stroke.

He was born May 19, 1914, to John and Mary Wendel Drymalla in Bernardo.

He married Tillie Herring from Borden April 19, 1938, and they celebrated their 55th anniversary this year. They were residents of Eagle Lake for 47 years, moving to Fayetteville four years ago.

Drymalla was employed with Tenneco at Chesterville for 27 years, retiring in 1978. After retiring, he spent quite a bit of time at Bernardo where he planted a garden and shared the produce with friends and relatives. He also raised cattle there.

He was a member of St. John's Catholic Church at Fayetteville.

He was preceded in death by his parents and two brothers, Urban and Sylvester Drymalla.

Survivors include his wife, Tillie; daughter and son-in-law, Irene and Louis Polansky of Fayetteville; two sons and daughters-in-law, Johnny and Louise Drymalla of Spring, and Leroy and Jenelle Drymalla of Houston; four grandchildren; sisters-in-law, Meta Drymalla of Columbus, Bertha (Betty) Drymalla of Bernardo, Elizabeth Herring of Pasadena and Adele and Edgar Klimple of Stafford; numerous nieces, nephews, other relatives and loved ones.

Funeral services were held December 4 at 10 a.m. in St. John's Catholic Church with Rev. Ben Mazurkiewicz officiating. A family rosary was held Thursday night and parish rosary on Friday. Arrangements were under the direction of Henneke Funeral Home of Columbus.

Pallbearers were Jimmie Class, Terry Davidson, Jerry Fajkus, Joe Frybert, Gerald Herring, Leon Herring, Albert Hoelscher, Wilfred Luedecke and Steve Venghaus.

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Crooks make living off generous citizens

With the holiday season, many people begin receiving calls and are approached for donations to charity. There are many good charities but there are also unscrupulous characters seeking to take advantage of others' kindness and generosity.

As a result, millions of dollars are taken by phony charities that do nothing but put the doners' money into their own pockets. Their thievery makes it more difficult for legitimate charities to raise needed money for true good causes.

Two recent cases have been cited by the Texas Attorney General.

In the Dallas area, two men dressed as Catholic priests claimed they were collecting to help the Texas Orphanage Outreach Charity. They operated out of the Dallas airport for months before officials received complaints. Investigators from the AG's office asked the priests for information on their charity and found that no money had gone to charity and, in fact, the two were not priests.

In Houston, con artists posing as University of Houston students went door-to-door collecting money, claiming it was to renovate housing for the homeless. They had clipboards and were neatly dressed. The AG office investigators found that this same group ran a similar scam in N. Carolina. No money went to charity and the gang just moved from state to state.

To avoid being robbed of money intended for charitable causes, check out those asking for donations. Ask who gets the money; where it will be used; how much actually goes to the charity?

The solicitors should be specific and able to give the name and address of their organization as well as a telephone number. Call the organization and check their credentials. Even a small local charity can give references of the local police or church.

Remember that this will help the legitimate charities. If they are legitimate they will be there tomorrow. Your impulse to give is important but don't give impulsively. Take the time to check and make sure your gift goes to those who really need it.

If you are suspicious, contact the Philanthropic Advisory Service of the Better Business Bureau at 703-276-0100; National Charities Information Bureau at 212-929-6300; or the nearest office of the Attorney General Consumer Protection Office.

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HERITAGE HOUSE NEWS

By Patricia Bubela, Activity Director

Heritage House held a luncheon for the United Way fund of Eagle Lake last Tuesday. Tom Reed, United Way president, and Laurel Holden, board member, attended and received a donation. Myra Ricks, Heritage House resident was honored to present the check to Reed for the fund on behalf of Heritage House.

A spaghetti lunch was served to the guests, Patricia Bubela, Director of Nurses Patricia Cunningham and Administrator Wendy Gearner.

Residents had the pleasure of a visit with Bob Chapman Wednesday afternoon. He volunteered his time and talent to call Bingo for the players, then later visited with them.

Bob makes each resident feel special with his unique smiles, humor and warm gestures. Our thanks to Bob for his visit and for calling Bingo.

Residents had a visit from the Xi Pi Psi sorority of Eagle Lake last Thursday afternoon. They put up our Christmas stockings on the room doors and decorated the dining area doors.

Tom Reed, president of the Eagle Lake United Way, accepts a check from Myra Ricks donated by the Heritage House. *Heritage House Photos*

Mr. and Mrs. Pete Canaris show the Christmas tree they donated to Heritage House residents.

A very special thanks to the sorority members for bringing a beautiful "Christmas Ice Skating Lady" to decorate the lobby. The Christmas Lady, as we call her, is possibly from the 1800s and adds beauty to our lobby.

We extend our sincere thank you to Pete and Jeanette Canaris for donating a lovely Christmas tree for our dining room. The residents are thrilled to have such a tall tree.

Erna Cloat was happy to have a visit from Susan, Priscilla, Erica, Russell, Frank and Ryman Birdwell and Joshua Phillips. They had a pleasant visit over the weekend. Ericka also visited with Mr. and Mrs. Hugo Richter and Mr. and Mrs. Wilbert Lucko from Weimar.

Our calendar is rapidly filling up with Christmas entertainments. So if you have a group of carolers, dancers or Christmas plays, call me to schedule your date as soon as possible. We would love to have you come visit.

Heritage House is all decked out in garlands and tinsel for the holidays and we all look forward to the Christmas season.

Speaking of the season, residents were delighted to receive a visit from Santa Claus this past Saturday. everyone was all smiles to see the dashing gentleman in his bright red suit. Thanks Santa for your uplifting visit.

We also give a special thank you to Anna Gay for volunteering her time to assist with decorating the tree and for donating tree decorations. Cheryl DeJong, our housekeeping supervisor, brought a huge selection of Christmas music cassettes for us to enjoy through the holidays. We appreciate her thoughtfulness.

Members of Xi Pi Psi decorated Heritage House for Christmas, donating the Christmas ice skating lady.

N. Lake Baptist October Missionary Lessons

The theme for the October missionary lessons is Christian Stewardship.

Stewardship means being a trustee or left in charge of someone or something that does not belong to you. It is a divine partnership and God is the Sovereign Creator and owner of all things.

The true believer's spiritual possession in Christ is an inner divine possession that the world cannot give to you. We inherit this precious gift from God.

First week: The believer's spiritual possessions before Christ. Genesis 3:1-6, the origin book.

Humankind has always been special to God. He created and made us with a uniqueness over animals. He gave us a moral nature, a free choice to accept or reject the commands of our Heavenly Father.

Paradise was a garden, with man as gardener just to upkeep and beautify it. But Satan, being highly artful, tricky and an enemy of God, tempted Eve. God's amazing grace does not come thorough our good works but through faith.

Second week: The believer's spiritual possessions from God the Father. Ephesians 1:3-6.

The plan of salvation begins with God. It did not originate with us. The very first and foremost important step to salvation is repentance. This means to change one's mind, thought, purpose and views regarding a matter.

Sin and disobedience to God's will are the most outstanding matters of this era. The true believer possesses an inner nature from the Father. Just a spark of His Holy Spirit will make us stand fast in the liberty where Christ has made us free.

God has given his people a work to do as part of our kingdom work. A true Christian life is not one governed by a long set of rules but one led by a living and ever present person within us.

Third week: The believer's spiritual possessions from God the Son. Romans 5:8.

Apostle Paul tells us, "Therefore being justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ." Our spiritual possession are made possible through the sacrificial death at Calvary. God chose to redeem fallen people in His divine plan of predestination.

"For while we were yet sinners" Christ died for us. The deity of the Holy Spirit is God the father, God the son and God the Holy Spirit, and all of these are one. For God is a spirit.

Fourth week: The believer's spiritual possessions from God the Holy Spirit. John 14:16.

The world cannot comprehend the works of the Holy Spirit. Only the true believer knows and is a witness that the Spirit of God has the power to energize, give energy; vitalize, give life; and animate, make you move.

The Holy spirit is the chief executive of the Godhead. He is a comforter, one that stays by your side. He is a paraclete, helper, that dwells and indwells in the heart of his believers. That is the believer's spiritual possession from God.

Fifth week: The believer's spiritual possessions from the church. Acts 2:38.

We are living in the last dispensation, before the rapture. We are on our home stretch to the New Jerusalem. There is a great danger of losing sight of the Church for it is a reminder of the presence of Christ in the world.

The Apostle Paul is telling us to repent, turn from what we are doing in these visible buildings (churches) and do what the Word says do. Power is in the Word. A visible church is composed of all those whose names are on the roll. The invisible church is composed of all those whose names are written in the Lamb's Book of Life.

Pastor: Rev. J.H. James; general teacher: Sis. Inola Johnson; teachers: Sis. V. Fields, B. Johnson and A. Hearn.

'Accidents don't just happen,' says new TDH campaign

Pamphlets, posters and bumper stickers proclaiming "Red Alert" and "Accidents Don't Just Happen" have been developed for the Texas Department of Health's newest campaign.

The TDH, with the help of prominent emergency care experts, has launched a statewide campaign to reduce the number of traumatic injuries in Texas, especially during the holiday season. The public information materials were developed for TDH by the University of Texas-Houston Health Science Center.

Dr. Red Duke, a UTH trauma surgeon, national health news personality and outspoken advocate of injury prevention, has lent his support to the campaign. His trademark mustache, glasses and cowboy hat are part of the publications' design.

Duke joined Dr. David R. Smith, Texas Commissioner of Health and others at a press conference in Ft. Worth Nov. 23 to open the campaign. Describing the need for public awareness of trauma prevention, Dr. Smith said, "People who fail to take personal responsibility for preventing accidents are the main contributors to the thousands of deaths and injuries each year in Texas."

He said accidents cause at least 11,000 deaths and 70,000 serious injuries each year in the state. Trauma is the leading cause of death for Texans between the ages of one and 44.

Unintentional trauma kills 17 persons a day while intentional trauma such as homicide and suicide, adds about 13. "That's about 30 deaths every day and we know that for each death there are about six serious injuries needing emergency trauma services," Dr. Smith said.

The slogan, Accidents Don't Just Happen, underscores the fact that most traumatic deaths and injuries result from dangerous situations created by irresponsible behavior.

The campaign details how Texans can adhere to Dr. Duke's four basic warnings to avert trauma:

•Sober up and designate a sober driver to prevent alcohol related traffic deaths and injuries as well as some child and spouse abuse;

•Lock up guns, poisons, matches and medicines to avoid mistakes by thinking ahead;

•Buckle up yourself, family and friends to abide by state law that requires safety seats for infants and children under age two, and seat belts for all others in a vehicle; and

•Talk up safety and community involvement to make safety an important part of community life and children's education.

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Lopez, Mota wed at St. Anthony Church

Saturday, Aug. 21, at 2 p.m. Edilia del Pilar Lopez and Michael Andrew Mota were united in a wedding mass at St. Anthony Catholic Church in Columbus with Fr. Jesse Euresti as celebrant.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Silvino Lopez of Columbus. Her grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Hermenegildo Gil of Miami, Fl., and the late Mr. and Mrs. Delfino Lopez.

The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Lucio Mota of Eagle Lake. Grandparents are Jesusa Mota and the late Miguel Mota; Concepcion Moreno of Union City, Ca., and the late Alfonso Quiroga.

The church was decorated with white begonias and bows and greenery. A fan arrangement of gladiolas, lilies and mixed flowers was on the center altar. Pews were marked by candle holders with greenery and white bows.

The bride chose a gown of white peau de soie by Demetrios which featured a sweetheart neckline that dipped to a deep vee in back. Long puffed sleeves with hanging pearls, beaded bodice and basque waist lavished with beaded lace appliques set off the full skirt which fell to a cathedral length train. The train was scalloped with beaded lace appliques and three small bows. The back waist had a large bow and the skirt front was accented with beaded lace appliques, pearls and sequins.

Her fingertip veil was held by a large white lace crown of pearls and beaded lace. She carried a bouquet of fresh peach lilies, pink and ivory roses, white iris, lavender fressia and baby's breath.

Mercedes Masson, the bride's sister-in-law, and Sandra Lopez, cousin, were matron and maid of honor. Bridesmaids were Ana Smith, Lynn Mota, Vivian Gonzales and Sofia Anderson. Vanessa and Violette Villafuerte were flower girls.

Gifts were presented at the altar by Lucio and Beatrice Mota. Sandra Lopez presented an arrangement of flowers to the Virgin Mary.

Oscar Lopez, the bride's uncle and Alex Anchundo, the groom's godfather, were witnesses. Eucharist minister was Vera Soto and lector was Phillip Soto.

Mary Kay Heffley, Cynthia Sunderman and the St. Anthony choir provided the music for the ceremony.

A reception dinner and dance at Stafford Opera House followed the ceremony. Tables held hurricane lamps surrounded with greenery. Dinner was catered by Jerry Mikeska and music was by the DJ services of Mr. and Mrs. Daniels.

The white three-tiered bride's cake had a floral arrangement on top and was surrounded by six heart shaped cakes. The groom's cake was a braided chocolate creation with chocolate dipped strawberries on top. A candelabra circled by the bridesmaids bouquets was between the two cakes.

Serving in the houseparty were Emilda Hernandez, Belinda and Suzy Alaniz.

The couple now reside in Conroe where the new Mrs. Mota attends Sam Houston State University and the groom is employed with Damon-Met Path Laboratories at the Houston Medical Center.

The bridal couple were feted with several parties and showers in honor of their marriage.

A recipe shower was given at Didner Hall in Eagle Lake July 11. Hostesses were Lynn Mota, Sofia Anderson, Vivian Gonzales, Joan Matthews, Ernie Sommerlatte, Ana Smith, Mercedes Masson, Helen Hotz, Veronica Villafuerte and Beatrice Mota.

Aug. 1, Mercedes Masson, Mari Antonia Masson and Jesus Lopez were hostesses for a room to room shower at the Harris County MUD #81.

A personal shower honored the bride Aug. 14 hostessed by Mercedes Masson at her home with Sandra Lopez.

Another personal shower was given at Colorado Valley Transit in Columbus by Vastene Olier, the CVT staff and friends.

Mr. & Mrs. Michael Andrew Mota

CPL announces corporate changes

Central Power and Light Company, a wholly owned subsidiary of Central and South West Corp. (CSW), announced several changes Nov. 22 as part of a corporation-wide reorganization.

Similar changes will take place at SCSW's three other electric operating companies. The changes complete the first phase of a reorganization process to make the corporation more efficient, productive and better able to meet the increasingly competitive business climate, said Robert Carey, CPL president and chief executive officer.

He noted the company's goal was to improve quality of customer service and said the changes would add greater accountability in taking care of customer needs.

Three vice presidents will have responsibility over the operations of each electric operating company under the new arrangement. The three will be over operations and engineering, business development and marketing, and administration.

Carey noted the reorganization began last summer with a review of the entire CSW organization. The company expects to complete their changes by spring 1994.

The newly announced changes involve establishing new corporate business groupings, realigning functions with CSW and naming those who will lead the organization. One such grouping will include CSW's four electric utilities, which includes CPL, and South West Services, Inc.

The service company will provide support services for areas common to CPL and the other three electric operating companies. It will be divided into Production Services and Operation Services with presidents over each area. Production services will manage all power plants. Operations will provide administrative and systems support.

Filling the execute positions at CPL will be Gonzalo Sandoval as vice president of operations and engineering; B.W. Teague, vice president of business development and marketing; and Melanie Richardson as vice president of administration. Dale E. Ward will be CSWS vice president of production engineering and Gerald Vaughn will be vice president of nuclear for CSWS.

A number of major decisions have not yet been made including where some of the new operations will locate their offices and when, how many and how employees will be affected by the ongoing phases of the reorganization.

Local Witnesses join assembly at Astroarena

The Astroarena in Houston will be the site of a two day Assembly of Jehovah's Witnesses this weekend.

With the theme "Keep Seeking First the Kingdom" the gathering is expected to draw nearly 2,000 to the event Dec. 11 and 12. Sessions will begin at 9:55 a.m. each day.

Among the attendees will be a group from Eagle Lake according to spokesman Wilbert Sims Sr.

The convention's purpose is to highlight their belief in the reality of that Kingdom, emphasizing it is a functioning government with domain, rulers, subjects and laws

Sims commented, "Lives are being wasted with drive-by shootings, gang wars and drug abuse. Mankind longs for true peace and security. So there is a need to pray for God's 'kingdom to come' and 'His will to be done on earth…' quoting from Matthew 6:9, 10."

Several new ministers of Jehovah's Witnesses will be ordained by water baptism at 11:35 a.m. Saturday.

Saturday afternoon and Sunday, talks, demonstrations and discussions will be presented to show how to avoid needless anxiety during economic stress, Sims noted.

Sunday at 1:30 p.m., there will be a public talk by R.W. Simons, representative of Watchtower Bible and Tract Society of New York which is the world headquarters for Jehovah's Witnesses. The public is invited to attend the event and no collections will be taken.

Sheridan announces second honor roll

Sheridan Elementary and Junior High School has released the honor roll for the second six weeks of school.

First grade: Stephanie Botard, Felicia Cantu, Erica Hearn, Lauren Kasper, Cliffton Kazmir, Tyler Kloss, Rachel Peterson, Stuart Ray and Tiffany Varley.

Second grade: Griff Clipson, Esteyvon King, Zak Kloss, Steven Moore, Marshall Peterson and Jennifer Munoz.

Third grade: Leila Baggett, Krystal Buegeler, Matthew Hinze, Christine Jackson, Hannah Kallina, Travis Pittman and Andrew Varley.

Fourth grade: Jakki Alleway, Kimberly Denley, Michael Kincheloe, Amanda Labay and Cortney Sims.

Fifth grade: Robyn Alleway, Isam Brisco and Eric Kasper.

Sixth grade: Cody Thompson, Matthew Ray, Teresa Pittman and Erica Fuentes.

Seventh grade: David Houser, Thomas Pittman, Johnny Slawinski and Danielle Witte.

Eighth grade: Stephanie Thompson, Christy Kincheloe, Kerri McGaughey, Lainee Labay, Karen Kazmir and Jenny Hajovsky.

Duracell offers scholarship for high schoolers

All ninth through 12th grade students wwith in an interest in technology, electronics or mechanics are welcome to enter competition for $90,000 in scholarships.

Students are invited to power their imaginations for the 12th annual Duracell/National Science Teachers of America scholarship competition with awards of U.S. Savings bonds to the 100 finalists. The contest grants a first place savings bond of $20,000, five second place bonds of $10,000 each, 10 third place $1,000 bonds and 25 fourth place bonds of $200 each. The 59 fifth place winners each receive $100 bonds.

To enter the competition a student must design and build a battery-powered device that is educational, useful or entertaining. It must run on any or a combination of Duracell batteries—AAA, AA, D, C, 9-volt or lantern size. Student inventors retain all rights to their devices.

Entrants must also submit a written description, wiring diagram and photo of their devices by the deadline of 5 p.m. Jan. 21, 1994. Entry rules and forms are available from science teachers and counselors and from Duracell/NSTA Scholarship competition, 1840 Wilson Blvd., Arlington, VA. 22201-3000 or by calling 703-243-7100.

Entries will be judged on creativity, practicality, energy efficiency and the clarity of the written description. The past winning entries have included an automatic playing card dealer for the disabled, a talking ruler, adjustable wrench, walkie-talkie device for the deaf and digital fish feeder.

Every student who submits a complete entry to the competition is given a wallet and the teachers of the top 100 finalists also receive gifts. Sponsoring teachers of the top six winners will receive IBM PSI computer systems.

First and second place winners, their parents and teachers will be guests of Duracell for the 42nd annual convention of the NSTA where they will be presented awards at a special luncheon Mar. 30, 1994 in Anaheim, Ca. The luncheon is to be moderated by NASA teacher of space design, Barbara Morgan.

Safety poster contest offers scholarship for graduating senior

The San Bernard Electric Cooperative is sponsoring a safety poster scholarship contest for high school seniors.

A $500 scholarship will be awarded to the winning senior to attend a college, university or vocational school.

Entries in the contest should be posters on electrical safety in the home, on the farm or in industry.

Original drawings, slogans, mottos, pictures, cartoons or any combination may be used on poster board. The contest deadline is Jan. 21, 1994.

The contests is specifically for high school seniors in the Rice Consolidated, Bellville, Columbus, Hallettsville, Hempstead, Magnolia, Sealy, Waller or Weimar school districts and senior children of SBEC members.

Applications are available at the various high school counselors' offices or by calling San Bernard Electric Cooperative at 409-865-3171.

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