

OBITUARIES

Frances L. Coody

October 29, 1924 - August 6, 1994

Frances L. Coody, 69, of Sheridan died August 6, 1994, at her residence at Oak Wood Ranch near Sheridan. She was born October 29, 1924, in Barry, Navarro County, to Lee Rucker Jordan and Bernice Frances Williams Jordan. She was a 1942 graduate of Van Alstyne High School in Grayson. She was a member of the Verda Baptist Church of Verda, La. For most of her career life she worked as a clerical executive in the oilfield equipment business. She and Al Coody were married February 14, 1983, and had resided in Atlanta, La., before moving to Sheridan in 1989. She was preceded in death by her parents, a sister, Camille Jordan and one brother, E.Y. Jordan. Survivors include her husband; sisters, Maxine Jordan Foster of Bay City, Jesselene Jordan Bryan of Caldwell; and one brother Fred Jordan of Houston. Following cremation, memorial services will be held at 2 p.m., Sunday, August 14, in Caldwell at First Baptist Church. Memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society. Local arrangements were under the direction of Dulany Funeral Home in Eagle Lake. Sympathy is extended to the family in their loss.

Charity Jones

March 5, 1904-August 2, 1994

Mrs. Charity Jones, 90, of Houston, formerly of Columbus, died August 2, 1994. She was born March 5, 1904, to Autry and Tillie Gillis and attended Columbus Colored High School. She united with St. Paul Methodist Church at an early age. In 1926, she moved to Houston and married Ben Jones. She united with St. James Methodist Church where she was active on the usher board for a number of years until she retired from H.S.D. After working for 28 years, she returned to Columbus until her health failed her, then moved back to Houston. She was preceded in death by her parents, husband and one son. Survivors include one foster sister, Mrs. Eddie B. Burford; 12 nieces; eight nephews; cousins, other relatives and friends. Funeral services were held Saturday, August 6, at 2:30 p.m., at St. Paul Methodist Church in Columbus, with Rev. Billy Young officiating. Interment followed in the Willing Workers Cemetery in Columbus with Ben Davis Funeral Home in charge of arrangements. Pallbearers were William Wright, Clarence Bratcher, Simon Evans, Elvin Lee Irving, and John L. Johnson. Honorary pallbearers were nephews. Sympathy is extended to the family in their loss.

Ben Davis Funeral Home

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- Pre-Burial

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Creed A. Henry, Owner/Manager

Stanley L. Kucherka, Sr.

February 10, 1901 - August 8, 1994

Stanley L. Kucherka, Sr., 93, of Eagle Lake, died Monday August 8, 1994, at the Eagle Lake Community Hospital. He was born February 10, 1901, in New Waverly, to Simon and Mary Kucherka. He was a member of Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic Church of Eagle Lake and of the Knights of Columbus Council #4843 of Eagle Lake. For most of his life Kucherka farmed and ranched. He had resided in Eagle Lake since 1940. He was preceded in death by his wife Amalie in 1978 and wife Grace in 1990; his parents; a sister, Mrs. Betty Ratz; and brothers, Charlie and Joe. Survivors include his daughter and son-in-law, Irene and J.M. McKee of El Campo; sons and daughters-in-law, Stanley L. and Magdalene Kucherka Jr. of Rosenberg, Wilbert and Vernell Kucherka of Eagle Lake; sisters, Helen Waldrup of Houston, Annie Ripper of Alton; 13 grandchildren; 26 great grandchildren; a host of nieces, nephews. Sympathy is extended to the family in their loss.

Lewis James Tillman

September 28, 1960-August 2, 1994

Lewis James Tillman, 33, of Eagle Lake, died August 2, 1994. He was born September 28, 1960, to George Sr. and Alma Tillman. He confessed Christ at an early age, was baptized and later united with White Cloud Baptist Church under the leadership of Rev. Obie Rhodes. He attended Eagle Lake schools and graduated in 1979 from Rice High School, Altair. He attended several junior colleges and was academically inclined with achievements in track. Entering in 1984, he was a veteran of the United States Army. He was preceded in death by his father, brother, Billy Ray Tillman; and sister, Norma Jean Tillman. Survivors include his mother, son "Little Lewis"; grandmother Emelia Davis of Eagle Lake; three sisters, Doris J. Tillman of Houston, Willie B. Jones and Joyce M. Coats, both of

Prairie Edge Museum Notes

By Elizabeth Boothe, Reporter

For the week of Aug. 11, 1994, much of our time at last week's board meeting was spent discussing plans for our 10th anniversary celebration which is scheduled for Sunday afternoon Oct. 30 from 2 to 5 p.m. Be sure to have this important event posted on your calendar. There will be entertainment as well as refreshments. Eagle Lake can be thankful to have such an organization that plays such a significant part in our community. Our next board meeting is scheduled for Sept. 12. Feel welcome to join us as we discuss topics relevant to the progress of the museum and Eagle Lake. Plan to visit the museum soon and see the attractive railroad display in the front hall. Curators Bill Harrison and Rollin Baker placed artifacts in the case from the collection of my late brother George M. Allen of Elgin. Included in this exhibit are a telegraph set-up; red, green and yellow flags; a framed picture of a red caboose with a domed top; and a timetable that took effect on Jan. 3, 1937 at 12:01 a.m. I visited the Thrift Shop Saturday and witnessed a brisk business going on. We can never thank those enough who put many, many hours of work at the shop. Many of those hours are spent at other days than which the shop is open. The next scheduled sale day will be Aug. 20 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. I enjoyed a stroll through the museum Sunday afternoon and saw two baby strollers which are quite different from the ones we see today. I found interesting objects and facts in the display honoring the memory of Howard Fitzgerald who first came to fame in 1920 when he was a first year outfielder with the University of Texas Longhorns. Eagle Lake's famous major league baseball player's career spanned the 1920s. Included in the display was a large framed picture of Fitzgerald, a baseball bat which he had autographed, a baseball and write-up. I hope you will attend the finale of the PJ's summer program at Prairie Edge Museum this Thursday afternoon at 4:30 p.m. There has been a good turnout of children and a number of parents have supported Debbie Reed in her work. We should hear some beautifully read poetry as part of the program. The museum is open on Saturday and Sunday afternoons from 2 to 5. "Beloved, if God so loved us, we ought also to love one another." 1 John 4:11.



Elizabeth Boothe posed with artifacts from the collection of her late brother George M. Allen of Elgin.

STMC adds two physicians to staff

Dr. Faye Popeney, D.O., and Dr. Sat Gupta, D.O., have joined the South Texas Medical Clinic, P.A. in family medicine. Dr. Popeney is a graduate of the Texas College of Osteopathic Medicine in Fort Worth. She completed her internship with Temple University in Penn. and her residency at the University of Texas in Houston. She also specializes in gynecology, diabetes and rheumatology. Dr. Gupta graduated from the Texas College of Osteopathic Medicine in Fort Worth and completed his residency in the UT-Houston program. He completed his bachelor's degree in biology at the University of Houston.



Dr. Faye Popeney



Dr. Sat Gupta

IN MEMORIAM
On August 12, 1994,
We observe
The passing of
Sandy Rodgers' youth.

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emeyer of Kalamazoo, Mich...
On Monday, little Dan Stephens Taylor was three years old and celebrated his fourth birthday at his home with an afternoon lawn party... Mr. & Mrs. M.C. Fontenot have let the contract for a large frame home located near the Joe Lee McCreary home. Work is progressing rapidly... A group of little folk, accompanied by their mothers went to Boothe Park Wednesday afternoon to celebrate the fourth birthday of little Miss Linda Powers... W.A. Barnett has been confined to his home with pneumonia.



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COLORADO COUNTY FAIR NEWS

Stars Norwood, Rocket 88's, McGraw

The three headliners for this year's Colorado County Fair promise great entertainment Sept. 8-11 at the fairgrounds in Columbus. The opening night, Thursday, Sept. 8, will feature Daron Norwood. Opening the show will be the J.C. Eason Band. Johnny Dee and the Rocket 88's will perform Friday night with Brian Black as the opener. Saturday night's entertainment will be Tim McGraw with the opening band Texas Unlimited. The annual fair parade through downtown Columbus will begin at 11 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 10. The youth auction sale will be that

afternoon at 5:30 p.m.

Along with these performances there will be livestock, home economics, fine arts and commercial exhibits. The grounds open Sept. 8 at 4 p.m. Clowns, walking acts and a petting zoo will be going on daily. Arena events for the fair include invitational and open round robin team roping, ranch rodeo, open team penning and mule show. The Gene Hammonds Carnival will also be open throughout the fair with Saturday and Sunday crowd games and a Senior Citizens Day on Sunday. Sunday will be Go-Texan Day. The various Go-Texan events will include barbecue cookoff, horseshoe pitching, washer pitching, domino tournament, hay hauling contest and queen contest.

The entry fee to the fairgrounds includes all events. A season pass costs \$10 a person and the daily gate fee is \$5. Everyone is invited to come to the fair for fun, entertainment and to support the county's youth and civic organizations.

Dance to kick off activities

A kickoff dance is scheduled for Saturday, Aug. 20, for the Colorado County Fair. The dance, to be held at the Veterans Community Center, 1349 Walnut St. in Columbus, will feature Cheyenne from 8 p.m. to midnight. It is sponsored by the Colorado County Fair Trail Ride.

Admission is \$6. For additional information contact Mark Robinson at 409-732-6413.

County Fair Queen contest

Contestants are still being sought for the Colorado County Fair Queen and Junior Queen Contest to be held Saturday, Sept. 3. Girls between the ages of 10 and 13 are invited to enter the Junior Queen Contest. Girls from 14 to 21 may enter the Fair Queen Contest. All contestants must be single and be residents of the county or attend school within the County. Junior contestants must sell \$200 in season passes to the Fair to qualify for the event. The older girls must sell \$500 in season passes to qualify. Two queens will be named from among the older group of contestants. The young lady selling the most season passes in advance will be named Membership Queen. She will receive a \$500 scholarship and a life membership in the Fair Association. The Fair Queen will be chosen by the out-of-county judges. She will be judged on appearance, personality and poise. She will receive the \$500 Leslie Schmidt Heard Memorial Scholarship. Entry forms and complete contest rules may be obtained by calling one of the following members of the Queen Contest Committee: Pamela Potter at 732-2705, Deborah Hayward at 725-8325, Lynda Appelt at 234-5878 and Kim Crane at 738-3886. The deadline to enter the contest is Saturday, Aug. 20.

Collective hobbies contest

A Collective Hobbies Contest will be one of the events held during the 1994 Colorado County Fair, September 8-11. The collective hobbies competition will be open to youth and adults who are residents of the County. Collections of all kinds, ranging from bottles, coins, dolls, spoons and stamps to bricks, barbed wire, date nails, stickers, baseball cards and salt and pepper shakers may be entered. Entries will be judged for first, second and third place ribbons. A rosette will be awarded to the Primary Youth, Junior Youth, Senior Youth, Adult and Golden Age Adult chosen as Best of Show and Reserve Best of Show. Entry cards and Fair Catalogues containing complete rules for the contest are available at the County Extension Office and Potter's Western Store in Columbus, First National Bank in Eagle Lake, Weimar City Hall, Oak and Acorn in Sheridan, Nada Grocery, Heinsohn's Store in Frelsburg and Benardo Farm and Ranch Supply. Additional information may be obtained by calling Henry Potter at 732-2705 or 732-2288 or Teddy and Mildred Schultz at 357-2142. Entries must be pre-registered by Friday, Sept. 2.

SAT prep class offered

Four courses to help people prepare for the Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT) and the Graduate Record Exam (GRE) will be offered in September through the University of Houston-Victoria continuing education program. Individuals preparing for the Texas Academic Skills Program (TASP), and the American College Testing Program (ACT) can also benefit from the courses. "Preparation for the GRE" will be held from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Sept. 10 and 17. Tuition for the course will be \$46 including the book. Participants will review test instructions, format and strategies for excelling on the GRE. They will also practice taking typical GRE examinations. "Strategies for the Verbal SAT" will be offered from 7 to 9:30 p.m. on Sept. 12 and 15. Tuition for the course is \$38 plus a textbook which will be available for purchase at the first session. During this course participants learn methods to increase verbal scores on the SAT by exploring the types of questions asked and learning some tactics to answer them. Topics will include: why take the SAT; what the verbal section of the test measures; the types of questions asked; tactics for answering the questions; and practicing verbal sections of the test.

"Vocabulary Preparation for the SAT and GRE" will be held from 7 to 9 p.m. on September 19, 21, 26, and 28. Tuition is \$49. A dictionary containing Latin etymology is required for the class. This class will help participants develop a strong foundation of English vocabulary by learning Latin words and their many derivatives. It is designed for anyone interested in increasing vocabulary power. "Math Review for the SAT and GRE" will be held from 6 to 9 p.m. Sept. 22, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sept. 24 and 1 to 6 p.m. Sept. 25. Tuition for the course is \$68. A text, Barron's How to Prepare for the

SAT is required for the class and will be available for purchase at the first session. Math will review basic mathematics concepts, designed for anyone who has not had a mathematics class for some time or who wants a booster course in preparing for the SAT and GRE tests. Highlights include fundamental math, algebraic operations and quadratics, geometry and reasoning, test-taking practice, strategies and class practice. All classes will meet at the Petroleum Training Institute, 3302 N. Ben Wilson. Participants should preregister. For information, call the UH-Victoria office of continuing education, 512-576-3151 ext. 222.

Rice food service members attend national conference

Six members of the Rice CISD Food Service Association were in St. Louis, Mo. this summer for a conference. They attended the 48th annual national convention of the American School Food Service Association. Attending were Earlene Botard, Clara Lobripes, Patsy Fulfer, Judy Estlinbaum, Loretta McCloud and Irene Hagendorf. The members worked hard all year at concession stands, bakes sales and other activities to raise funds for the local organization to help with their trip. The local delegates participated in continuing education courses, information sessions and heard a number of speakers.

Bible Study to begin in Sept.

The Community Bible Study, an international organization, has had a class in the Richmond-Rosenberg area for the past 12 years. Led by Cynthia DeLaughter, who serves with a team of over 35 leaders, provides a quality study of God's Word to anyone from any denomination. Everyone is invited to join the group Thursday, Sept. 1, from 9:15 to 11:15 a.m. at First Baptist Church, 502 S. Fifth St. in Richmond. Call Tammy Mott at 409-242-6590 to register early. You may also register the first class day. This year's study is *Servants of God*, which includes Old Testament books of Joshua, Judges, Ruth, and I and II Samuel. The emphasis Bible verse is Joshua 24:5, "As for me and my house, we will serve the Lord." Men and women meet first in core groups to discuss each lesson and then hear a teaching. There are many opportunities to make new friends and discuss what is really important in life. Included in the Community Bible Study is a program for children from newborn to home-schoolers, age 12. There is a new mothers group for those who would like to have their newborn babies accompany them.

STMC outstanding employee named

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Sheridan News

By Janet Dupré

The Dorman-Zeigler families held their 17th reunion in Garwood at the McClothlin home, July 24. The weather was hot but everyone had a good time. Edwin and Kay Rother furnished the barbecued chicken and sausage. Everyone else brought favorite vegetables and desserts. Those attending included Bill and Inogene Dorman and Edna Crawford from Argonia, Kan.; Edwin and Kay Rother with Edwin L., Cindy, Amanda and Scott; Sandra, Dandra and Jeremy Wilson from Hallettsville; Kelly Rosensell and Ryan Pedigo from Bedford; Brandi and Brian Gibson from Dallas; Adele and Lori Swindal from Carrollton; John David and Ethel McClothlin and Russell Robertson from Bay City.

Also at the reunion were Leah McClothlin from Jasper; Rebecca McClothlin and Anthony Garcia from Houston; Misty and Sammy Duncan from Eagle Lake; Dannelte Duncan from Bay City. John David and Ethel will be leaving the USA for Aruba. We wish them a good trip. Gladys Noy hopes to see everyone again next year. Ed Noy is in Eagle Lake Community Hospital for test and treatment. We hope he has a speedy recovery. Tricia Walker is spending her weekends with her mother while she is in the hospital recuperating from surgery. A pacemaker was implanted this week. Our prayers are with her and her family.

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