

# Blevins, Semora exchange wedding vows

Katherine Melissa Blevins and Brian Joseph Semora of Eagle Lake were united in marriage Saturday, February 18, 1995, at 4 p.m., at Christ Episcopal Church in Eagle Lake.

Reverend Russell Minter officiated the double-ring ceremony. The bride is the daughter of Ms. Diane Coufal of Eagle Lake. The groom is the son of Bobby Joe



Mr. & Mrs. Brian Joseph Semora

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The maid of honor and best man served as witnesses. Ushers were William Semora of Columbus, brother of the groom and John McDonald Jr. of Eagle Lake brother-in-law of the groom.

The brides mother selected to wear an off white skirt set with lace accents on the blouse. The groom's mother chose a mauve teal length skirt ensemble with a white and mauve flower jacket.

The brides gowns were of white rosebuds, baby's breath and stain mauve ribbon. The brides cousin who gave her away wore a full dress black tuxedo with tails white shirt, black cummerbund and bowtie and a mauve rosebud boutonniere.

The groom's father wore a three piece dark navy suit with mauve rosebud boutonniere.

# Participants sought for local pageants

Tess Balas, chairperson of the Eagle Lake Pageant, is asking local businesses and organization to help increase the interest in the 1995 pageant by sponsoring a participant. The contest, Little Mister, Little Miss, Jr. Mister, Jr. Miss and Miss Eagle Lake, will be held Sunday, April 9, at the Prairie Edge Museum. "Start asking the youngsters you know to do you a favor by representing you (or your company) in the pageant and maybe this will be the best one yet," Balas said in a letter she distributed recently. "It would be good advertising for you."



The deadline for entries is Wednesday, April 6, and there is a \$10 entry fee. Balas would be more than happy to supply entry forms to anyone interested. You may contact her at 234-5705.

## Area officials travel to Austin

Eagle Lake Mayor Robby Cook and Eagle Lake Industrial Foundation President Don Bendy were invited by Rice Consolidated ISD Superintendent Dr. Richard Gott to travel to Austin with the Rice Board of Trustees recently. Gott, a former schoolmate at Livingston High School of Representative Allen Hightower, introduced the Eagle Lake officials to Hightower who chairs the legislative committee for prison sites and facilities. Gott has expressed a strong intent to work closely with the community in the area of economic development. According to Gott, the district cannot continue to depend on mineral values for its school financing. "We must build values on real property. To do this, it is imperative we build industry," he stated.

Pictured above are Cook with State Representative Robert Saunders and Bendy. Photo Courtesy of Rice CISD

# Christian Women's Luncheon set for March 21

The United Methodist Women will be hosting the Christian Women's Luncheon this year on Tuesday, March 21 at 10:30 a.m. Our speaker will be Margarita Reever Bolding, the leading lady of humorous speaking in the Houston area. She has presented her very distinctive style of comedy and "good clean humor" for over 40 years. Professional engagements have taken her to more than 295 cities and towns throughout 12 states. Highlights in her career are being honored as Distinguished Alumna of Texas Woman's University and impressing Ethel Merman with Miss Merman in the audience. Aside from characterizations of humorous books brought to life in the hilarious imitation of Erma Bombeck and interspersed with her celebrated devotion to her home town (Menard, Texas), Margarita often share the spotlight with Elizabeth Real and Chuck Hunnicutt in the production of a variety of musical creations. Entrance to the luncheon is \$6.

## Thoughts to ponder...

"A good marriage is that in which each appoints the other guardian of his solitude." — Rainer Maria Rilke

"Hope is itself a species of happiness, and, perhaps, the chief happiness which this world affords." — Samuel Johnson

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Mrs. Belle Wendel of El Campo, announces the engagement and approaching marriage of her daughter, Alice, to Clinton Trebig of Garwood... Miss Hope Dornon and Edward Causey are united in marriage at Colly Memorial Methodist Church... Grady Stegall, S.22 of the U.S. Navy is a member of the fire department at the Corpus Christi Naval Air Base. Little Miss Judy Shuart was four years old on Sunday and a group of her little friends gathered to celebrate the occasion with her and her brother, Bill Shuart... Mr. & Mrs. David Wintermann entertained a group of Houston guests with a hunting party and Thanksgiving dinner. Jimmy Reed and Stanley Kacherka of A&M College are spending the holidays with their parents, Mr. & Mrs. J.R. Reed and Mr. & Mrs. Stanley Kacherka Sr.... Donald Kolberg of A&M is here for a holiday visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. O.G. Kolberg... E. Roos, Louis Gordon and Simon White, Jr. attended the Texas A&M game in Austin on Thanksgiving Day.... Among the 1,720 students composing the largest enrollment in Texas A&M College's history are seven from Eagle Lake. They include: Charlotte Sue Colly, Robert Wallace McMullan, William Johnston Martin, David Morris Sunderman, Myra Lucille Waddell, Charles Edward Walker and Stewart Frazar Wallace.

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# HONOR ROLLS

For the Fourth Six-Weeks Period, 1994-95

**MIDDLE SCHOOL**  
Fourth grade: Amanda Burrow, Juan Castillo, Andrea Contreras, Abby Cunningham, Samantha Ebra, Felicia Galvan, Rubin Leal, Javier Lopez, Laura Miramontes, Sandra Rodriguez, Ada Ruvalcaba, Sandra Villalobos.  
Fifth grade: Jennifer Biaselli, Jessica Buckner, Olivia Cardenas, Erica Garcia, Joseph Harlin, Cleo Johnson, Rebecca Lopez, Corista Mathis, Stephanie Sommerlatte, Jacqueline Thomas, Jessica Thomas, Herbert Weller, Deedra Wesemann, Kayce Wilkerson.  
Sixth grade: Adam Baird, Samantha Bluntson, Danny Butrago, Kurt Coldevey, Barbara Cooper, Erica Dunmore, Amy Ellis, Stephanie Jackson, Johana Lopez, Patricia Najera, Rhonda Peroni, Christopher Rodriguez, Leslie Waddell, Cynthia Webb.  
Seventh grade: Stephanie Braden, Melissa Buckner, Tabitha Conner, Amelia Fearing, James Hassin, Kimberly Lott, Shaneiqua Moody, Rita Morales, Jamesangela Phillips, Sharla Waddell, Levi Zuniga.  
Eighth grade: Rebal Canaris, Brian Cardenas, Kasey Eubanks, Valerie Galvan, Corti Gertson, Lori Grig, Michele Gutierrez, Amalie Kuch-erka, Jo Romo, Dawn Schwemm, Susana Silva, Coy Sunderman, Wilbert Thibodeaux, Russell Thomas, Tierra Wright.

**RICE HIGH SCHOOL**  
Freshmen: Jessica Briscoe, Jonathan Burrow, Tiffany Castro, Christie Crane, Shelley Cunningham, Jennifer Hajiovsky, Timothy Jasek, Valerie Korenek, Lanie Labay, Stacy Rodriguez, Eric Sanders, Ste-Kelli Mathys, Nenci Rodriguez, Stephanie Thompson, Risa Waddell, Amanda Weisbuhn, Tiffany Wilkerson.  
Sophomores: Joshua Allen, Bridget Baird, Lea Brisco, Nerrisa Brisco, Sarah Buckner, Josefina Castillo, Adriana Cordova, Carrie Engstrom, Kyle Fink, Sunny Gertson, Lance Grigar, Joy Hengst, Rachelle Kallina, Jennifer Krensek, Trey Kuch-erka, Consuelo Longoria, Maria Mann, Angelica Martinez, Diana Pantoja, Timothy Powers, Robyn Lucka, Jaelyn Schmitt, Gina Sides, Lea Spangenberg, Marcie Till.  
Juniors: Crystal Atkins, Rebecca Burrow, Nikki Fuller, Garrett Hagedorf, Jodie Heard, Leigh Jackson, Clint Krensek, Dana Leopold, Rachel Mathys, Courtney Parker, Gloria Rodriguez, Jill Satsky, Aimee Smith, Michelle Spanhel, Kristen Sienke, Chad Westeski, Michael Wiese.  
Seniors: Jana Elizabeth Buckner, Norris Cavis, Ashley Crane, Lakesia Fry, Nancy Hernandez, Nicholas Korenek, Shea McClanahan, Ricardo Roque, Jill Stephens, Regina Valdez, Maribel Valles, Ginger Ward.

# Paintings featured at Prairie Chicken Festival

Originals and prints of paintings by famed wildlife artist John P. Cowan will be featured at Eagle Lake's Attwater's Prairie Chicken Festival. Works in the hands of a private collector will be on exhibit March 24 through March 26 at the Eula and David Wintermann Library, 101 Walnut, in Eagle Lake. Cowan is acknowledged one of the country's outstanding sporting artists and is well known to conservationists, fishermen, and waterfowlers. His painting of Attwater's Prairie Chicken was used for the 1986 Texas Nongame Stamp authorized by the Texas Legislature. Twenty-eight works, selected by Festival Committee members Russ Minor and John Matthews, will be available for public viewing the hours of 1 to 3 p.m. on Saturday, March 25, and Sunday, March 26, at the library which is across the street from Eagle Lake's Community Center. Admission is free. Jack Cowan's art has raised millions of dollars for private conservation organizations such as Ducks (See Paintings, Page 10)

**Country Peddler Show**  
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# CLUB & ORGANIZATION NEWS

## Labuda to address Nature Club

Steve Labuda, Manager of the Attwater's Prairie Chicken National Wildlife Refuge, will discuss the Refuge's wildlife and other natural attributes before a meeting of members and guests of the Tom Waddell Outdoor Nature Club. The meeting will be held at Prairie Edge Museum in Eagle Lake beginning at 7:30 p.m. on Monday, March 20. At the same time, he will have outline plans for the Club's half-day field trip to the Refuge on Saturday morning, April 1. Participants will meet at 7 a.m. at Prairie Edge Museum in Eagle Lake to car pool for the trip to the Refuge. Steve will join with Doris Laughlin in serving to guide the group to strategic places along tree-lined San Bernard River and to bank side of managed wetlands. Doris emphasizes that bird life would be a major feature of the trip, since the spring season for bird migration through the area will be in full swing. Many wild plants will also be in flower at that time. Participants are advise to wear field clothing and walking shoes. Binoculars and bird/wild flower guide books will be helpful.

## Alpha Delta Phi

The 451st meeting was held in the home of Charlet Janow on Jan. 3. Members voted to donate the Beta Sigma Phi Endowment Fund. Members delivered Christmas gifts to a needy individual. The Social Committee is working on invitations and decorations for the Western Dance to be held Feb. 11. Mary Kay reminded members of upcoming birthdays and anniversaries. President Robin Thomas reviewed the Bylaws of Alpha Delta Phi. Charlet gave an interesting and fun program on "A Test For You". The 452nd meeting was held in the home of Mary Kay Cook on Jan. 16. Denise Cook, Vice President, called the meeting to order. Members will be donating to the Beta Sigma Phi State project, Children's Diagnostic Equipment. Thank you's were read from our honorary members Mrs. Farris and Mrs. Bauer for ornaments received at Christmas. Members discussed nominees for Lady of the Year. The Social Committee will mail the Western Dance invitations this week. Mary Kay gave a program on Women's Health. The first Feb. meeting was held Feb. 6 in the home of Karen Epps. Karen entertained us all by presenting a program on "How well does he know you". Sylvia Rucka will be making Valentine's trays for the hospital. Denise Cook presented final decorating plans for the Western Dance. Members voted on Lady of the Year. The 1995 Sweetheart was voted on and will be announced at the Western Dance on Feb. 11. Denise reported the pledges have taken their test. Members enjoyed delicious refreshments served by Karen. The second meeting in Feb. was held in the home of Penny Henske on Feb. 20. Denise Cook gave a program on Stewart & Stevenson, the company she is employed by. Members discussed the possibility of rushing the Western Dance to its international recipe contest forms were distributed. Denise thanked members for the honor of being voted Sweetheart. The Western Dance was a big success and members were asked to turn in all expenses. Members will be taking a gift to Tanya Wiese for the upcoming birth. Refreshment were served by Penny.

## Texas Exes

A tri-county meeting of the University of Texas Exes was held March 7 at the Brenham Fire Department Training Center in celebration of Texas Independence Day (March 7). Austin, Colorado and Washington County members met at 6 p.m. for a silent auction followed by a barbecue dinner catered by Mike's Catering of Columbus. Proceeds from the auction will benefit scholarship recipients selected from each of the three counties. Colorado County Texas Exes' 1995 scholarship winner is Shea McClanahan of Eagle Lake, daughter of Robbin and Richard Clipson. Dr. Robert M. Berdahl, President of the University of Texas, was the speaker for the evening. Dr. Berdahl updated the exes on current developments at the Austin campus. The Colorado County Texas Exes met briefly following the tri-county meeting. President Linda Balas called the meeting to order. Scholarship Chairman Vic Scott introduced McClanahan as the scholarship recipient. He then recognized Mrs. Virginia Reed for her generous donation to the scholarship fund in memory of her husband, Joe S. Reed Jr. Mrs. Reed completed one endowed scholarship started by the organization and then gave an additional sum to create another endowed scholarship which will be known as the Joe S. Reed Jr. Memorial Scholarship. Officers for the upcoming year will be President Linda Balas, Eagle Lake; Vice President Dr. Robert Lowe, Columbus; and Secretary/Treasurer Bea Scott, Eagle Lake. Mr. Jim McGee of Columbus was recognized for his hard work in planning and coordinating the tri-county meeting. Members who attended from Eagle Lake were Steve and Linda Balas, Brian and Tess Balas, Deborah and Tom Reed, Virginia Reed and Vic and Bea Scott.

## Eagle Lake Civic Garden Club

The Eagle Lake Civic Garden Club met Monday, March 13, at the home of Liz Waddell. A delicious lunch was served on the patio prior to the business meeting. Spring decorations were used on the lovely banquet tables where members were seated for the luncheon. President Linda Balas called the business meeting to order with the reading of the minutes by Cheryl Corman. Several reports were given concerning the maintenance and spring planting at Harrison Park and the city square. A report was given by Robin Thomas on the care of the trees the club planted and maintains throughout the city. Robin reported that the trees have been trimmed and fertilized. She added that the trees received from IGA Hometown Trees will be distributed to club members next Tuesday, March 21, and to homeowners in Eagle Lake by club members. The March Yard of the Month was announced. Sandy and Sam Thomson's home on Cat Spring Road was chosen. A picture and write-up will appear in an upcoming issue of The Headlight. The program consisted of a fun plant swap among members. Helyn Farris described each plant prior to members selecting, in order of their drawn numbers, the plant of their choice from the display table or out of the hands of another member. "It was an enjoyable way of learning about plants and having a plant to take home to grow."

## Xi Pi Psi

Joyce Stancik was hostess for the Feb. 7 meeting of Xi Pi Psi. Her home was gaily decorated with red hearts, flowers and valentine theme throughout, including a table laden with delicious refreshments. Legends and stories that began in the 14th Century with St. Valentine were told as Joyce presented her timely program. She recited the history of symbolic use of valentine cards, flowers, cupids and doves and concluded with a lovely poem. On display in albums and arrangements were treasured antique valentine cards of family members. President Ernie Sommerlatte conducted the business meeting concerning final plans for the Western dance, beginning steps for the March Art Show she reported on progress of the local Drug Prevention program. Resumes were read and votes were collected to choose the Lady of the Year. The Feb. 21 meeting of the Xi Pi Psi chapter of Beta Sigma Phi was held at the home of Ernie Sommerlatte. The Western dance was reported as a success. Dortha Kingsley was announced as Valentine Sweetheart for 1995. Connie Lange, the 1994 Sweetheart, presented Dortha a lovely bouquet and sweetheart trophy. To help celebrate the Attwater's Prairie Chicken Festival, an art show of wildlife paintings will be sponsored by Xi Pi Psi. Students from Rice and Lamar High Schools will show exhibits and vie for ribbon awards. More details will be announced soon. The name of the Lady of the Years was announced by Ernie and plans were made to host a coffee in her home. Kay Thomas was in charge of the program entitled "Your Significant Other and You". It was a match game between sorority sisters and their husband, daughter or son that was a delight to all. Ernie and Anna Mae Wiese scored the highest. After refreshments were served by hostess Ernie, a social time was enjoyed by members.

## DISMISSALS

Eagle Lake: Lorenzo Israel, Irene Corona, Tyra Feik, Manuel Rodriguez, Zoe Kell, John Kaluz, Jimmie King & Baby Boy; Garwood: Lorraine Atkins, Tim Montgomery; Columbus: Angelina Zbrank, Alison Jones & Baby Girl; Sealy: Beverly Wunderlich & Baby Girl; Altair: Kimberly Hoffman; East Bernard: Sidney Toelner; Houston: Allen Kirkland; Glen Flora: Susie Heame; El Campo: Robert York.

# Eagle Lake Community Hospital Patients List

Week ending March 12, 1995

**ADMISSIONS**  
Eagle Lake: Edward Priemeyer, William Coston, Joyce M. Persons, Salome Cantu, Mary Kozik; Columbus: Mary Grieves; Sealy: Debbie Stasny, Yvonne Thomas, Jennifer Lopez; East Bernard: Maria Samaniego & Baby Boy; El Campo: Edward Hoffman, Laura Vega & Baby Boy; Egypt: Pamela Daniels.

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