OBITUARIES

Kathryn Ann Clark Barron

November 23, 1952 - August 4, 1995

Kathryn Ann Clark Barron, 42, passed away on August 4, 1995.

She was born on November 23, 1952, to Max Benton and Evelyn James Clark.

She graduated from Forest Park High School in 1971.

She married Michael Barron on May 31, 1975, at Westminster Presbyterian Church in Beaumont. In 1982, the two became a family of three with the birth of Janna Michelle.

Balancing the roles of mother, wife, employee and student, she completed her baccalaureate degree at East Texas State University, graduating in August 1989 with high honors and distinction. Her honors' thesis was "Two Women as Role Models for Mideast Peace: Golda Meir and Jehan Sadat".

She also studied at the University of London after winning second place in a National Black History Writing Contest.

Career opportunities which followed included contributing to the process of the Texas Education Agency to establish its current standardized textbook system, teaching English as a second language to African and Asian university students; becoming the only non-master's degree student to be accorded instructor-status in political science and history by ETSU; and serving as an administrative assistant for companies in Texas and Oklahoma.

Since the family's move to Broken Arrow, Okla., Kathy had been elected and ordained to serve the First Presbyterian Church as an elder (the only pastor's spouse this church has elected to Session in its 113 year history). She shared in the life of the wider community as a member of the Tulsa Zoo Docents, Planned Parenthood, the Nature Conservancy and Voices of Sophia.

In her personal life, despite some years of illness, Kathryn "raised" both a daughter and husband (Mike's testimony) and was, to them, teacher, companion, helpmate and friend.

Survivors include her husband who served as pastor of the First Presbyterian Church of Eagle Lake for several years; and her daughter.

Memorial services were held on Monday, August 7, at the First Presbyterian Church in Broken Arrow, Okla. and on Wednesday, August 9, at Westminster Presbyterian Church in Beaumont.

Sympathy is extended to the family in their loss.

Raymond 'Coon' Fernandez

March 15, 1919 - August 31, 1995

Raymond 'Coon' Fernandez, 76, passed away on August 31, 1995, at 8:37 p.m. in Eagle lake following a lengthy illness.

He was born March 15, 1919, near Garwood to Jesus A. and Elena Mendoza Fernandez.

He was a lifetime of our area. Retired from a career in the sand and gravel quarries, he was a member of the Iglesia Bautista Getsemani in Eagle Lake and a veteran of WWII with the U.S. Army.

He was preceded in death by his parents; brothers, Ralph, Jesse, Luis, Paul and Eduardo; and a son, Raymond Fernandez Jr.

Survivors include a daughter, Elena Fernandez of Victoria; a son, Isabel Gonzales of Columbus; sisters, Guadalupe Lopez of San Antonio, Anita Mesa of Edna, Rita Sanches of Eagle Lake and Conception Escobedo of California; and a brother, Fernando Fernandez of San Francisco, Calif.

A prayer service was held at 7 p.m. on Saturday, September 2, at Iglesia Bautista Getsemani in Eagle Lake.

Funeral services were held on Sunday, September 3, at 2 p.m. with Rev. Mario Vasquez, Pastor, officiating.

Graveside services and interment followed at Lakeside Cemetery under the Auspices of VFW Post 8783 of Eagle Lake.

Funeral arrangements were under the direction of Dulany Funeral Home in Eagle Lake.

Serving as pallbearers were David Sosa, Jesse Yanez, Rupert and Greg Contreras, Frank Valdez and Ruben Mesa.

Sympathy is extended to the family in their loss.

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RAIDER REVIEW

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Who's Zat?

By Carrie Engstrom

This cute little girl (in picture at right) is now a sophomore at Rice High School. When Stephanie Labay was asked who this little girl was, she responded Risa Waddell. Leigh Jackson and Syretta Johnson though it was Kelli Matthys.

Kristen Stienke, Lance Grigar and Valerie Johnson knew it was Amy Obenhaus.

Amy is the daughter of Janice Obenhaus of Eagle lake. She is a varsity cheerleader and plays on the JV volleyball team. She was chosen vice president of her freshman class and also class favorite. Amy is secretary of the FFA and enjoys raising steers. Her hobbies out of school are going out with friends and going to dances and parties.

Drama Club acts fast

By Rebecca Burrow

The Rice High School Drama Club has already gotten a jump-start on the upcoming year. Friday, Aug. 18, several returning members met in the commons to read through prospective plays for this year's one-act play competition. They then headed to Eagle Lake to the home of Mrs. Robbin Clipson, the Drama Club sponsor, for pizza and a rained out swimming party.

The idea of getting together before the first day of class helped to avoid the chaos of confusion of the opening few weeks of school. Although the Raider Players have not made a final decision on their choice, the meeting was a step in the right direction. The club is hoping to match last year's show and advance past Area competition. They also discussed the prospect of a Christmas play fundraiser.

Coach Troy Holcomb

Meet the Coach

By Rachelle Kallina

Rice has several new coaches this year. One of them is Troy Holcomb.

Coach Holcomb is 31 years old and graduated from Hardin-Simmons University in Abilene, Texas. He coaches girls volleyball and basketball and boys baseball.

When asked what he thought about Rice so far, he said, "I love the atmosphere and the faculty. The staff has been great to me." As for the future of the volleyball team, he feels like the Lady Raiders have great potential to become winners.

Other than coaching, he enjoys horseback riding, rodeos, Texas Ranger games and building model airplanes and ships. He especially enjoys playing golf with his dad and brother.

Psychology class offered

By Robyn Rucka

For the first time ever, Rice High School is offering a course in psychology.

Thirty students are being taught the power of the mind by Mrs. Robbin Clipson.

She plans to begin self-innovated projects in the near future.

Many of the students plan to attend college and major in psychology.

When asked about the new class, one student commented, "I'm so excited that the class is being offered and I can't wait to begin."

Rice High School is proud to be expanding their curriculum with a psychology course.

Jodi Heard

Meet the Lady Raider

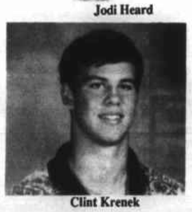
By Nikki Fuller

This week's Lady Raider is senior Jodi Heard, daughter of Tommie Lynn Holden. Wearing #21, Jodi is a hitter for the Varsity Lady Raider volleyball team.

Jodi says that teammates encouragement is one of the team's strengths, while being hard on themselves is a weakness. "We do real well to encourage one another; we believe in each other," she explained. "The weakness is that when we make mistakes, we get down on ourselves too much."

In her spare time, she likes to dance and spend time with her family, friends and animals.

Upon graduating, Jodi plans to attend Southwest Texas State University in the fall and study either film producing or elementary education.



Clint Krenek

Meet the Raider

By Marcie Till

This week the Raider spotlight shines on varsity football player #52, Clint "Shorty" Krenek.

When asked what his comments concerning the team were, Clint replied, "Everyone worked very hard during two-a-days and continue to work hard at every practice to get better. We are looking forward to our first game against Weimar."

Clint is president of the FFA, involved in the Texas High School Rodeo Association, and raises commercial steers to show in the Houston Livestock Show.

In his spare time, he enjoys going out with his friends and girlfriend, practicing calf roping and grooming his animals.

Clint is the son of Billy Ray and Sue Krenek of Garwood.

"When manners and customs are to be changed, it ought not to be done by laws." — Montesquieu

"Love is to the soul of him who loves, what the soul is to the body which it animates." — La Rochefoucauld

"The line that is straightest offers most resistance." — Leonardo da Vinci

"The only way to entertain some folks is to listen to them." — Kin Hubbard

"If you want to know what a man is really like, take notice how he acts when he loses money." — New England Proverb

"God created things by naming them; the artist recreates them by taking their name off or giving them a new one." — Marcel Proust

"Love seems the swiftest, but it is the slowest of all growths. No man or woman really knows what perfect love is until they have been married a quarter of a century." — Mark Twain

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CLUB & ORGANIZATION NEWS

4-H Shooting Sports

The 1995 Five-Star Match for the 4-H shooting sports program was held at the Austin Rifle Club range in Manor, July 22-23. 5-Star is the Texas 4-H championship matches for the 4-H shooting sports program.

Ryan Brandt, right front, broke the state record he set last year with his performance in the 1995 4-H Shooting Sport Matches recently in Manor. Pictured with Brandt are, back row, from left, Matthew Ross and Joshua Foster; front row, Jacob Foster and Brandt. *Photo Courtesy of 4-H*

Six 4-H'ers represented Colorado County in the Match. Matches and places were:

Junior Division: Ryan Brandt, Wild Clover 4-H Club, 1st place light rifle (broke his previous state record; now holds 1995 state record score: 239 out of a possible 250); 1st place recurve archery; 1st place modified easton round; 2nd place compound archery; 2nd place unaided 3-D archery.

Sub-Junior Division: Jacob Foster, Field & Stream 4-H Club, compound archery, light rifle, smallbore rifle silhouette; Joshua Foster, Field & Stream Club, compound archery, light rifle, smallbore rifle silhouette; Charles Kearney, Field & Stream Club, light rifle, smallbore rifle silhouette; Garrett Poncik Live Oak 4-H, light rifle, smallbore rifle silhouette; Matthew Ross Live Oak Club, compound archery, light rifle, 3-D archery.

Anyone interested in the Colorado County 4-H Shooting Sports Program may call the County Extension Office for more information, 409-732-2530.

Nature Club

By Helen Craig

President Helen Craig reminds you, in order to continue receiving newsletters, please send your dues of $5 to Blair Hickey, 606 N. McCarty, Eagle Lake, Texas 77434. Sept. 1 was the deadline, but if you're really nice, Blair might let you slide.

Calendar of Events

The membership approved this tentative calendar for the rest of 1995:

Monday, Sept. 11: 5:30 p.m. quarterly business meeting, Alligator hatching at Wiese Alligator Farm, FM 1093 East, Eagle Lake.

Monday, Oct. 9: 5:30 p.m., APC NWR fall migration.

Monday, Nov. 13: 5:30 p.m., Waterfowl coming in to rest; Jimmy Thomas' Duck House, Eagle Lake.

Monday, Dec. 11: 7:30 p.m., annual business meeting, membership drive, social; Prairie Edge Museum.

Mark your calendars and attend!

Last Meeting

A good number of members and guests were present for a very interesting and informative program about mushrooms presented by William Giessel, M.D. on Aug. 14. Dr. Giessel, who lived in Eagle Lake during the 1930s and 40s, brought with him many examples of both edible and non-edible mushrooms and fungi.

In his medical practice in Houston, Dr. Giessel is called onto treat patients, often children, who have accidentally eaten a poisonous mushroom. He gave the audience information on identification of the numerous Texas edible varieties as well as clues to tell which should be avoided.

Due to the mild climate and diverse ecological areas, Texas is a unique place for wild mushrooms. Giessel indicated that Texas has hundreds of edible mushrooms, many in the vicinity of Eagle Lake. However, unless one is thoroughly familiar with fungi, rely on an expert to avoid unpleasant results.

Giessel is a member of the Texas Mycological Society and often takes part in hunting, harvesting and eating wild Texas mushrooms.

Next Meeting

A real treat is in store, especially for younger TWONC members, at the Sept. meeting. Gather at 5:30 p.m. on Monday, Sept. 11, at the Wiese Alligator Farm, just off FM 1093, two miles east of Eagle Lake.

A brief business meeting will precede viewing the current crop of alligator hatchlings owned by TWONC members Donnie and Anna Mae Wiese. It is hoped that the hatch will not be completed at that date, but between 400 and 500 infant gators will be on display at the farm.

The Wieses began the farm in 1989 when they converted their unused swimming pool into a gator pond. When Donnie became a state certified nuisance control agent, he had about 45 alligators to tend.

APCNWR release news

Some of our TWONC members are not in the Eagle Lake area so the following clips of information are being reiterated from the *Eagle Lake Headlight* for those who are not subscribers. For the full article, call the paper at 409-234-5521, Jeannine will be happy to send one to you.

On Monday morning, Aug. 21, 13 young, captive-bred, Attwater's Prairie Chickens were allowed to leave their temporary pens. This is great news! After years of trying to release birds back to the wild, this may be the early stages of the Attwater's turning.

The birds were carried to a special holding pen to recuperate from their journey before being released. The birds will be tracked with special collars to allow for tracking. These collars will also let refuge workers know if the bird has perished for some reason and will help in locating the bird so the cause of death can be determined.

Watch for updates on the released birds status in upcoming newsletters. Steve Labuda, Refuge Manager, has promised to keep us informed.

Labuda told the TWONC Executive Committee that this was the first effort of release this year and there is another scheduled for late fall. He has high hopes for a significant number of birds to be released next year.

The breeding program was started at Fossil Rim when 49 wild APC eggs were collected during the spring of 1992. So far, five APCs were raised to adulthood in 1992, 2 in 1993, 26 in 1994 and 65 in 1995.

The goals is to have 5,000 APCs in three geographically separated wild populations by the year 2000.

Labuda also told the group that National Wildlife Refuge Recognition week is scheduled for Oct. 9-14 with the APCNWR open house set for that Saturday (Oct. 14).

Who to call

If you have any questions, comments or program ideas, call Craig at 409-234-2807, Susan Tomchesson, 234-5591; Rollin Baker, 234-2027; or Doris Laughlin, 409-732-8875.

Songbird preserves planned

In July, U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service, in conjunction with Texas Parks & Wildlife and the private nature Conservancy, unveiled a proposal to buy strategically-located forest tracts of land along the Texas Gulf Coast.

These will be preserved as stopping-off harbors for north-south migrating song birds. Three such areas are in-the-making in the West Columbia area.

At the turn of the 20th century, it is estimated that 700,000 acres of prime hardwood forest occurred along the lower reaches of the Brazos, San Bernard and Colorado rivers.

About 170,000 areas remain of which 9,000 are being cleared annually. Tracts of hardwood forests, ultimately up to 28,000 areas in total, will serve as a mosaic of "rest-stops" for our colorful array of migrants.

Hummingbird watch

The annual Hummingbird Celebration will be Sept. 7-10 in Fulton/Rockport. For information, call 1-800-242-0071.

Bird watchers flock to valley

The Lower Rio Grande Valley will be the host for nearly 1,800 bird watchers on Nov. 8-12. The birders will gather to view more than 200 species. The economic impact of this event, according to the Harlingen Chamber of Commerce, was about $266,00. For information, call 1-800-531-7346.

Birding events ahead in 1996

Mark your calendar for these birding events during early 1996.

Jan. 19-20: Eagle Fest, Emory
Feb. 2-3: Crane Fest, Big Spring
Feb. 23-25: Whooping Crane Winter Bird Fest, Rockport/Fulton
March 22-24: Attwater's Prairie Chicken Festival, Eagle Lake

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Rotary Club

Inner workings of the U.S. Supreme Court were aired to the members of the Eagle Lake Rotary Club on Aug. 23 by speaker Darryl Anderson. Darryl, a serious student of history and government and honor graduate from both Rice High School and Duke University, enrolls this fall in Harvard Law School. With parents, Mary Lou and Arthur Anderson plus sister Becky Anderson Thompson of Katy and brother Andy of Eagle Lake looking on, the lawyer-to-be talked informally about the traditional protocol and eccentricities of our highest court. His appraisal resulted from having served as an appointed intern.

The speaker noted that the actions of the Court are strictly according to seniority in terms of service. The Justices rely on seniority in everything that they do in public - entering rooms, being seated, marching, etc. Darryl described the role of seniority when the present and past justices appeared recently as a group at the funeral of retired Chief Justice Warren Burger. The speaker also described his work in helping research the life of Burger for the eulogy prepared for the present Chief Justice William Rehnquist.

The Court's work load is tremendous. it is asked to review more than 7,000 cases annually, but, of course, select only a very few to consider. The cases are reviewed and sorted, in advance, by skilled law clerks, using an in-building reference library of 700,000 volumes. For a case to be considered favorably for review, at least four of the nine sitting justices must agree. Darryl noted that the decisions on cases being considered were often determined in advance of the public arguments about them.

Of interest to the audience were Darryl's comments about Justice William O. Douglas' unsuccessful efforts to get the Court to deal with a case having to do with legality of the Vietnam conflict, about President Franklin D. Roosevelt's reasons for not trying to pack the Court with more justices sympathetic to his New Deal programs in the early 1930s, and about recent cases dealing with what is and what is not pornography.

Speaking philosophically, Darryl warned that a Justice might be known as either a conservative, a moderate, or a liberal, but these labels do not necessarily have the same meaning as those which members of Congress apply to each other. The Rotarians cheered this outstanding local scholar and wished him well in his coming legal training.

Memo to area parents: Our schools get bad-mouthed too much as producers of losers and not of winners. But Darryl, for example, is a young man who thrived in our local school system. He has had superb success. Why? It is because first he had support from home, second he did his homework, third he was interested in learning, and fourth he took the extra effort to win in academia.

Just remember that Darryl and other winners have had the same local school environment as everyone else. Parents, you can help us have more winners!

Pilots

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He related several humorous incidents about street life in the Bronx, but the main topic of discussion was the differences in the health care systems, mainly between the National Health System in the United Kingdom and the system here in the U.S.

All physicians in the UK are paid the same salary regardless of their field of expertise and have the maximum number of patients, between 2,000 to 3,000.

Also, a patient must first be seen by a physician for referral to a hospital for admittance. All patients are charged the same amount for like services.

Here in the US, he noted that there are three kinds of patient payment - Medicare, Medicaid and private pay insurance and that physicians must practice defensive medicine because of the increasing number of lawsuits. In regards to lawsuits, however, he noted that in jury trials 90% of the findings have been in favor of the physician.

Dr. Kumar and his wife, who is also a physician, play an important role in our community. We appreciate all that they contribute to the health care of the citizens of Eagle Lake and the surrounding area.

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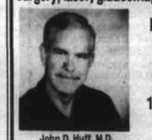
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Foot Facts

By Dr. Eric R. Tepper, Podiatrist

HITTING ON A NERVE

Some kinds of pain, you just can't ignore. A case in point occurs when a nerve under the weight-bearing part of the foot becomes pinched or trapped between skin and bone over a period of time, resulting in a protective growth called a neuroma. This thickened nerve typically will eventually grow to press on nearby bones, resulting in the symptoms described variously as burning, stabbing, pins-and-needles, cramping, or shooting pain. Unlike a passing muscle cramp, the discomfort of a neuroma does not cause the toes to change position. While neuromas can be terribly painful, effective home treatment, a change in footwear, and possible use of orthotics (prescription inserts) can often relieve the condition.

If you suffer from sharp pain, numbness, or a burning feeling in your toes, a nerve condition may be the cause. These can result from wearing tight shoes, being on your feet too long, or general medical conditions. Nerve conditions can be hard to detect, but we're trained to identify them. There's no need to suffer... we can help at the Eagle Lake Community Hospital; call 234-5571. I am there the first and third Tuesdays of the month.

P.S. Neur means "nerve", and oma means "tumor", but a neuroma is actually a thickening of nerve tissue, not a true tumor.

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