

BIRTHDAYS

Sophia 'Chris' Halbert

January 23, 1926 - August 28, 1995

Sophia 'Chris' Halbert, 69 of Garland passed away at 5 p.m., August 28, 1995, after a hard-fought battle with cancer.

She was born January 23, 1926, to Charlie and Annie P. Stanko Luchak in Wharton, where she attended school, then graduated from high school while living in Seattle, Washington.

She married Tom Halbert on May 26, 1951, in Houston and lived in Eagle Lake from 1957 to 1960, employed at Laughlin Hospital. She returned to Eagle Lake again from 1978 to 1980.

Chris was a devoted Catholic, wife and mother; affiliated with Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic Church and a member of the Altar Society and Good Shepherd Catholic Church in Garland.

She was preceded in death by her parents; one brother and three sisters.

Mary Geraldine 'Gerry' Leyendecker

January 4, 1903 - August 30, 1995

Mary Geraldine "Gerry" Leyendecker, 92, of Columbus died August 30, 1995, at Trinity Medical Center in Brenham.

She was born January 4, 1903, in Sterling, Kansas, the daughter of George William and Mary Ellen Forwelder Bowen.

A resident of Columbus since 1911, she united in marriage with Jack Leyendecker on February 24, 1934.

Leyendecker was a retired school teacher and affiliated with the First Baptist Church in Columbus. She also was a former member of the Live Oak Art Center.

She was preceded in death by her husband and two brothers, Dwight and Clarence Bowen.

The family requests that memorials be made to your favorite charity.

Sympathy is extended to the family in their loss.

Emma Stancik

May 18, 1897 - September 7, 1995

Emma Stancik, 98, of Shaws Bend died September 7, 1995, at River Oaks Nursing Home in Columbus.

She was born May 18, 1897, in Fayetteville, the daughter of August and Caroline Staffeldt Ahlgrim.

Emma was united in marriage with Joe Stancik on Aug. 16, 1915, and was a lifetime resident of Shaws Bend.

She was a housewife and affiliated with St. Paul Lutheran Church in Columbus.

Emma was preceded in death by her husband, Joseph Ludwig Stancik; three sons, Clinton, Lee Roy and Arthur Stancik; a granddaughter, Polly Poenitzsch McRoberts; her parents; two sisters, Augusta Willman and Bertha Ahlgrim; and three brothers, Paul, Max and Charles Ahlgrim.

Survivors include two daughters and sons-in-law, Lillie and Lloyd Poenitzsch of Shaws Bend and Onie Mae and Clarence Hornold of Garwood; two sons and daughters-in-law, Alvin and Frances Stancik of Ganado and Melvin and Joyce Stancik of Eagle Lake; three daughters-in-law, Bernice Glidden, and Rosie and Martha Stancik of Columbus; a sister, Ida Kahlden of Weimar; 34 grandchildren; 54 great-grandchildren; five great-great-grandchildren; 10 step grandchildren; and four step great-grandchildren.

Services were held September 9 at Henneke Funeral Home in Columbus with the Rev. John Hansicker officiating.

Burial followed at Brune Cemetery in Shaws Bend.

Serving as pallbearers were J.R. Hornid, Jeff Poenitzsch, and Edward Joe, Darren, Darryl, Darrell and Randy Stancik.

Honorary pallbearers were all her grandsons and granddaughters.

Henneke Funeral Home Inc., Columbus, was in charge of arrangements.

Sympathy is extended to the family in their loss.

D.H. 'Butts' Rutta

November 24, 1915 - September 2, 1995

Dominic H. "Butts" Rutta, 79, of Columbus died September 2, 1995, at River Oaks Nursing Home in Columbus.

He was born November 24, 1915, in Fayetteville, the son of Dominac A. and Frances Zapala Rutta.

Rutta was united in marriage with Rose Fojtik on April 26, 1946.

He was a lifetime resident of Columbus and a retired dragline operator for Lone Star Industries. Rutta was affiliated with the Columbus First Baptist Church and a member of the Columbus V.F.W. Post No. 6113 and American Legion No. 383.

Rutta served in World War II while in the U.S. Army. He received the Bronze Star, Distinguished Unit Badge, European African Middle Eastern Service, Good Conduct and American Defense Service Medals. The flag was draped at his service.

He was preceded in death by his parents; a daughter, Susie Rutta; a son, Johnny Rutta; and three brothers, Jerry, Charlie and Fritz Rutta.

Survivors include his wife of Columbus; a daughter and son-in-law, Peggy and Bob Utley of Marshall; a son, Don Rutta of Columbus; a sister, Lillian Ragsdale of Eureka, Calif.; two brothers, Bill and Sidney Rutta, both of Columbus; four grandchildren, Michelle and John Thompson and Jason and Jeremy Utley; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Services were held September 4 at Henneke Funeral Home in Columbus with the Rev. Sammy Carr and Dr. Bob Utley officiating.

Burial followed at Odd Fellows Rest Cemetery in Columbus.

Pallbearers were David Fojtik and Jim, Bob, Barry, David and Jared Rutta. Honorary pallbearers were member of the Men's Sunday School Class of First Baptist Church, Columbus.

Henneke Funeral Home, Columbus, was in charge of arrangements.

Sympathy is extended to the family in their loss.

Clodine 'Mu Dear' Yell

May 14, 1918 - September 3, 1995

Clodine "Mu Dear" Yell, passed away on September 3, 1995.

She was born May 14, 1918, in Wharton County to Henderson and Rosa Anna Gant Montgomery.

She attended school in Wharton County and confessed to Christ at an early age at Pleasant Hill Baptist Church under the leadership of Reverend N. Bolden.

In the merging, she remained a member of what is now Providence Baptist Church under the leadership of Rev. Coby Shorter Jr.; and was an active member of the Usher Board and Nurse's Aid until her health began to fail.

In 1945, she was united in marriage to Willie G. Yell Sr.; to this union, three children were born.

She was preceded in death by her husband; three sons, R.C. and Roosevelt Williams and Will G. Yell Jr.; and a daughter, Lola M. Cash.

Survivors include a daughter, Bobbie J. Rheem; two sons-in-law, Arnell Rheem and M.C. Cash, Texas City; a daughter-in-law, Brenda Yell, Houston; a brother, Lonnie Williams, Bay City; two sisters-in-law, Dinah Montgomery, Elm Grove and Sammie Mitchell, Houston; 12 grandchildren, Brenda Yell, Eagle Lake; Bobbie Yell, Houston; Wanda, Regina and Derek Yell, Texas City; Cornell Yell, Savannah, Georgia; Ann Rheem, Texas City; Brian Mason, Missouri City; Gloria Parker, Texas City; Ronnie, Willie and Arnell Rheem, Houston; 14 great-grandchildren; five great-great-grandchildren; an uncle, Lewis Gant, El Campo; and a host of nieces, nephews, relatives and friends.

Funeral services were held Saturday, September 9 at 11 a.m. from Providence Baptist Church in Eagle Lake with Rev. Coby Shorter Jr., pastor, officiating. Burial followed in the Sand Ridge Cemetery in Egypt.

Arrangements were under the direction of Ben Davis Funeral Home in Columbus.

Pallbearers were Hubbard Ashton, Willie Jackson Jr., Clifford Austin Jr., Oscar Garret, Keith Austin and Whitney Preston. Honorary pallbearers were Arnell Rheem, M.C. Cash, Derek E., Patrick A., and Cornell Yell, Brian Mason, Dave Curry, Harcell and L.C. Montgomery.

Sympathy is extended to the family in their loss.

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31, at 6:30 a.m. Funeral services were also held for Mrs. Minnie Tipps at 2 o'clock Sunday afternoon, Jan. 3. She was a long time resident of the Eagle Lake community. She passed away at the Eagle Lake Community Hospital on Jan. 2 after a lengthy illness.

Friday, June 13, 1947

A wedding of interest here was held in Beaumont on Saturday evening when Miss Sybil Flannagan became the bride of Willis Reed. Mr. Reed is the nephew of Mrs. S.O. Boothe and brother of Joe Reed Jr. of Eagle Lake.

The officers of the Lake View Golf Club announced this week that Fred R. Frink has been employed as manager of the club. Mayor H.W. Graves officially resigned his office at a meeting of the City Council held in the City Hall on Tuesday evening.

Mrs. Lucille Briscoe of Houston was a weekend visitor with Mr. & Mrs. F.M. Dromppole and Mary Agnes. Enjoying an outing on Galveston beach last Sunday were Mr. & Mrs. J.K. Davidson and children, Susan and Johnny; Mrs. Harry Brower, Miss Mary Elizabeth Davidson, Miss Jane Sunderland, Miss Betty Joyce Linke, Harold Williams, Vernon Gertson and Bob Springfield.

Mrs. J.G. Jenkins entertained her Sunday School class of the First Baptist Church with a swimming party at the Wharton pool on Monday evening. At the party were Billy Jack McDonald and cousin, Joe Duncan, Edmond Munford, Ernest Mae Seashole, Jean Linke, Mary McDonald, Heleca Canaris, Patsy Paschal, Harold and Billy Williams, Betty Joyce Linke, Mike Canaris and Nancy Currie.

A sad message arrived in Eagle Lake on Thursday afternoon advising R.L. Duncan that his sister, Mrs. Grace Motherhead of Honorville, Ala., had passed away.

Mrs. J.H. Clippson, recent bride who before her marriage was Miss Ruth Powers, was honored with a miscellaneous shower Tuesday afternoon. Little Miss Patsy Smith of Highlands is the guest of the family of her aunt, Mr. & Mrs. Gordon Birdwell and Jerry.

Mr. H.D. Swearington left on Thursday to visit relatives and friends in Baton Rouge, La.

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SEALY ASSEMBLY OF GOD: 1140 Meyer St., Sealy; Warm Richardson, Pastor.

THE DAY OF PENTECOST APOSTOLIC REVIVAL: FM 102 S, Matthews, 4 p.m. (at Mt. Zion). Rev. R.L. Carter.

EAST BERNARD FIRST BAPTIST: Rev. Clifford Rorer.

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FRIENDSHIP BAPTIST: 405 S. Lake, Eagle Lake; Rev. Earl Shorter, Jr.; Pastor; 234-5795.

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GREATERT M. OLIVE BAPTIST: Rev. R. Kiser, Pastor. 705 Lake, Eagle Lake, 234-3545.

PROVIDENCE BAPTIST: 1207 E. State, Eagle Lake. Rev. Coby Shorter; 234-3705.

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CHURCH OF CHRIST: Sheridan, Texas.

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CHRIST OUR REDEEMER - Charismatic: 478-7534, 478-6512, Jerry C. McKinney, Pastor.

HOLY CROSS CATHOLIC CHURCH: East Bernard. PARISH OF THE NATIVITY: Our Lady of Guadalupe Sanctuary: Guadalupe Terrace Addition; 7 a.m. (Español); 11 a.m. Our Lady of Perpetual Help Sanctuary; 3:10 N. Stevenson; 9 a.m. Father Eddie Winkler.

ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC CHURCH: Box 97, Nada, 758-3218. Rev. Mgr. Victor G. Schmitzky, Pastor.

CHRIST EPISCOPAL: 306 E. Stockbridge.

EAGLE LAKE GOSPEL MISSION: Rev. Emil Burger.

GRACE LUTHERAN: 408 N. Stevenson, 234-3381; Rev. Robert E. Schiott.

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ROCK ISLAND METHODIST: Ken Sellers Jr., Lay-Pastor.

UNITED METHODIST: Larry E. Bailey, Pastor; 369 W. Prairie, Sunday School 9:30 a.m.; Worship 10:45 a.m.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN: 106 E. State St., Eagle Lake.

Richard Avery, Pastor.

VINE OF THE LORD: Frank Navarro, Pastor.

FRIENDSHIP A.G.: 501 Wallace, East Bernard. Fred Chambers, Pastor.

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CHURCH OF CHRIST: 815 Milam, Columbus. Roy V. Palmer, Minister.

THE CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER-DAY SAINTS: 200 N. Lake, Eagle Lake, 234-5805; Miguel H. Arriano, Branch President.

THE SHEPHERD'S WAY: Non-denominational Christian Fellowship; 217 Main, Sealy. Frank Lucas, Pastor. 885-7879.

RAIDER REVIEW



Lookin' good!

Members of the 1995-96 Flag Corps looked exceptionally sharp last Friday night in Weimar, sporting a new look of flowing, wide-legged full length "uniforms". The ants found infesting the field kept them on their toes (literally and figuratively), since the girls were barefooted except for a sequin rope wound around each foot.

Headlight Photo by Jeannine Fearing

Meet the Raider

By Rebecca Burrow

The spotlight this week is on senior football player Byron Black. Wearing jersey #80, Byron is a starting tight end for the Raiders.



Eagle Lake Police Report

The Eagle Lake Police Department would like to make the following correction:

On Aug. 29, Jonathan Tillman was stopped in the 400 block of Main and was advised by Sgt. Steve Hassen that he had outstanding warrants. Mr. Tillman purchased a money order and paid the warrants at the police station.

Officer Carl Risk was dispatched to a report of an attempted burglary on Church Street on Sept. 5. The case is under investigation.

On Sept. 6, Chief Keith Webb was dispatched to a family disturbance on State Street. Desi Rivera was arrested on a Class Assault charge, processed at the police department and transported to county jail for confinement.

Also on Sept. 6, Robert Lee Parker Jr. was arrested on two outstanding traffic warrants and an assault warrant. He was processed at the police department and transported to the county jail for confinement.

Officer Risk was dispatched to the Eagle Lake Community Hospital emergency room on Sept. 7 in reference to an aggravated assault. A report was filed and charges are pending.

On Sept. 8, Officer Brian Ochoa made a traffic stop on S. McCarty. Upon investigation, the driver, Gregory Cant of Bay City, was arrested for driving while intoxicated, processed, then transported to the county jail for confinement.

Officer Ochoa is investigating the burglary of a motor vehicle reported to him on Sept. 10.

Officer Jack Knox received a report of theft on Sept. 9, but after the property was returned to the complainant, charges were not filed.

Rice freshman meet GIS

By Nikki Fuller

On Aug. 29-31, the freshman class at Rice High School were given a career interest inventory. The program used is called the Guidance Information System, GIS II. The computer program is designed for career counseling.

There are three parts including: a career interest test, information on 2 year and 4 year junior colleges, uni-

Who's Zat

By Carrie Eagstrom

This little boy with the cute, innocent smile is none other than Rice High School. Rebecca Burrow thought for sure it was Doug Wied. Ericka Fields and Maria Lara repited Brndon Mathis, Rachelle Kallina, Robyn Rucka, Naktra Johnson and Kris Gertson had no doubt that this was none other than Byron Black.

Byron is the son of Monica Broese of Eagle Lake and Tom Black of Markham. He is a member of the varsity football team and is also involved in varsity basketball, tennis and golf.

When asked what he likes to do in his spare time Byron commented, "Play basketball."

Meet the Lady Raider

By Marcie Till

This weeks featured player is Leigh Jackson. Leigh wears jersey #10 and set for the Varsity Lady Raiders volleyball team.

When asked about her comments and expectations concerning this year's team, Leigh responded, "We have a lot of talent on our team, we just have to figure out a way to put it all together at one time. If we are able to do this, I expect us to be very competitive in district play."

Leigh's extracurricular activities include being co-head varsity cheerleader, NHS President, and a member of the Student Council. In her spare time she enjoys sleeping, going out with friends, and reading mystery novels.

Leigh is the daughter of Ray Lee and Carmen Jackson of Sheridan.

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Meet the Coach

By Robyn Rucka

Rice has added several new faces to their coaching staff this year. Included in this list is Coach Greg Cowart.



Leigh Jackson

Go Raiders! BEAT the Shorthorns!

The Department's Aug. summary shows a total of 78 calls answered; 39 miscellaneous, 11 thefts, eight disturbances, seven criminal mischief, seven burglaries, three assaults and three accidents.

Officers handled 27 criminal cases and cleared 48. They made 35 arrests; 33 misdemeanor and two felony.

In the future he will coach freshman basketball and boys and girls tennis.

When asked what he thought about Rice so far, he answered, "So far Rice has been really good for me. I'm glad to be here!"

His hobbies, outside of his career, are golf, fishing, hunting, and trying to find time to relax.

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