

CLUB & ORGANIZATION NEWS

Colorado County 4-H

Texas 4-H members today have more opportunity to learn the skills needed in the work place. They are practicing the skills they need to be successful in their future jobs... communicating, cooperating, coping and competing!

Twenty-three 4-H members from Colorado County enhanced their record keeping skills by entering record books for one of the many 4-H awards programs in county competition. Nineteen of them will advance to district competition.

The following record books won first places: Erica Trojacek, sub-jr., Richanne Waddle, junior, foods and nutrition; Margie Leopold, sub-jr., turkeys; Ryan Brandt, senior; Garrett Poncik, sub-jr., Matthew Ross, junior, shooting sports; Amanda Janik, junior, Stacy Markwardt, sub-jr., rabbits; Whitney Thompson, sub-jr., consumer education; Jordan Rutta, junior, meat goat; Brandy Tuck, junior, exotic animals; Andrew Varley, junior, Tiffany Varley, sub-jr., sheep-goat; Christina Fitzgerald, senior, recreation; Derison Fitzgerald, junior, photography; Andrew Kock, senior, Patty Koch, junior, poultry; Dana Coreathers, senior, citizenship; and Lora Weishuhn, junior, beef.

These 4-H members will enter their books in District 11 Record Book judging in Edna on July 17.

Justin Flores, Penny Krueger, Frances Mrkwa, Leo Peters and Hillary Thompson also entered record book competition. These 4-H members have qualified for a trip to Astroworld in July. This trip is sponsored by the Colorado County 4-H Council.

Three 4-H members from Colorado County participated in State 4-H Roundup held at Texas A&M University June 3-7. To qualify to participate in State Roundup, members must be between the ages of 14-19 and have placed first or second in their first event at District Roundup.

Representing Colorado County were Ryan Brandt of Wild Clover 4-H, Weimar, and Dana Coreathers and Christina Fitzgerald, Riverside 4-H, Columbus.

Ryan placed 16th in the shooting sports individual rifle competition. Dana participated in the public speaking contest and Christina placed 5th in the share-the-fun vocal/musical competition. These 4-Hers were accompanied by their coaches Ted Brandt, Betty Coreathers and Teresa Fitzgerald, and 4-H Program Asst. Sharon Graham.

4-H Archery

The Texas State Archery match was held June 21-23 at the Fort Bend County Fairgrounds and Shooting Center in Rosenberg.

4-H members representing Colorado County were Ryan Brandt of Weimar, Jake Foster, Eagle Lake; and Brent Gorman, Hal Kunz, Garrett Poncik and Matthew Ross, Columbus.

The events and placing of these participants were:
Basic 4-H archery: Kunz and Poncik.
4-H Joad rounds: Brandt (2nd place recurve senior division), Foster, Kunz (1st place compound sub-jr.), and Ross.

Modified Easton rounds: Brandt (1st place recurve, senior), Foster,

Daughters of the Republic

Gorman, Kunz (3rd place compound sub-junior), and Ross.
3-D archery: Brandt (4th place compound, senior), Foster, Gorman (4th place bare bow, sub-jr.), Kunz (4th place compound, sub-jr.), Poncik (10th place compound, sub-jr.), and Ross (7th place compound, sub-jr.).

Field archery: Brandt (2nd place recurve, senior), Foster (3rd place compound, junior), and Gorman (2nd place bare bow, sub-jr.).
Clout rounds: Brandt (4th place recurve, senior), and Foster.

Team rounds: 2nd, mixed team, Brandt, Foster and Kunz; 3rd place sub-jr. team: Gorman and Ross along with Patrick Mooney of Callahan County.

There was no lack of patriotism and enthusiasm at the Hilton Hotel in Arlington, Texas, on May 9, 10, and 11! The 612 Daughters of the Republic of Texas met to celebrate their heritage of being direct descendants of citizens of Texas during the time Texas was a republic.

They celebrated Texas — past, present, and future — the 150th year of Texas Statehood, the Texas flag (it was proudly saluted before the various events and sessions), the state flower (there was a Bluebonnet Luncheon), the state song ("Texas Our Texas"), the state song's colors (red, white and blue were everywhere), and even the programs were printed in those colors! With all of that going, how could there not be a tremendous celebration?

The present Daughters of the Republic of Texas are granddaughters, great granddaughters and even great great granddaughters of the citizens of the Republic.

To the great sorrow of the Daughters, the last two DRT members who were Real Daughters passed away in March of this year.

We understand there are two others who qualify for this title, but who are not officially part of the organization. They are "Daughters" regardless.

The 105 Annual Convention was formally opened by President General Mary Kathryn Briggs of Bryan at 7:30 p.m. on May 9, followed by an Assembly Call by Nancy Stowe, serving as Marshall.

Presentation of Colors was by the National Sojourners and Chaplain General Laura Lee Lanigan of Texas City gave the invocation. Pledge to the United States flag was led by Past President General Martha Rash and Errett Red led the pledge to the Texas flag.

This was followed by the membership singing with pride and gusto "The Star Spangled Banner" and "Texas Our Texas!" Convention Chairman Betty Davis of Grand Prairie, District II Representative, welcomed the Daughters to the convention and Judge Tom Vandergriff welcomed the attendees to Arlington. Doris Johnson of Grand Prairie, Second Vice President General, gave the response.

Gold and Silver Awards were presented by Chairman Aline Bradley to Daughters who have made extraordinary contributions to Texas by writing a historical manuscript or book. All recipients of the "DRT Star" Award

were requested to stand and be recognized en masse. "DRT Star" designation is given to a Daughter who has served her chapter well, contributing much to its success.

Charlie Milam, speaker for the evening, talked on "The Life and Times of Ben Milam." A reception honoring President General Mary Kathryn Briggs concluded the evening.

Friday morning's General Session was called to order at 8:00 by President General Briggs to discuss business items and suggested by-laws changes. The Bluebonnet Luncheon was a "Salute to Our State Flower." Tables were decorated in blue and white with centerpieces of bluebonnets.

Mr. Jerry Flemmons, author of "Texas Shiftings," was the principal speaker for the session. Mr. Glen R. Treibers of Fredericksburg was named "History Teacher of the Year." He spoke of the dissatisfaction with the then-government of Mexico and the desire of all ethnic groups to be free of the policies and oppression of that regime.

Business discussions continued after lunch, adjourning at 4:30 for a Memorial Service for Daughters with Chaplain General Laura Lee Lanigan presiding. The service included a roll call of departed Daughters, lighting of unity candles, scripture readings, hymns, and Margaret Patton's beautiful renditions of several favorites including "Amazing Grace" and "Abide with Me."

Those attending from the Monument Hill Chapter were Carolyn Marble of Lincoln, Fourth Vice President General; Dorothy Albrecht of La Grange, MH Registrar; Betty Hill of East Bernard, MH CRT Chairman; Elizabeth "Bessie" Bean of San Antonio, MH Chaplain; Lillian Stuesser of Lytle; Imogene Williams of San Antonio, MH President; and associate members Mary Ann Kocurek of Houston and Mary Jane Thornton of East Bernard.

Three of our CRT (Children of the Republic of Texas) members served as pages — Jim and Miranda Thornton of East Bernard and Barbara Kocurek of Houston.

Monument Hill Chapter has had a successful year and received several awards: the Texas history Award for submitting essays from 4th and 7th grade students; First Place Achievement Award for gain in membership. (See DRT, Page 7)

Electric table top grill: won by A.M. Blanco of Eagle Lake, donated by Lake Lumber Company, Walter Gold;
\$25 gift certificate at Lake Lumber Co. of Eagle Lake: won by Janie Roegner of Katy, donated by V.J. Kana Family; \$50 gift certificate at Johnny's Sport Shop: won by Stephen Spaniel of Garwood, donated by Michael & Melody Grigar; Fully equipped first aid kit: won by Joey Posada of Eagle Lake, donated by S&W Parts, Jim Wood;

\$50 gift certificate at Wal-Mart: won by Emily Siles of Eagle Lake, donated by Phyllis & Johnny Psenick, Edward Satsky Family, Alma Larmer, Edna Glaiser, Simon & Leona Landry and an anonymous donor; Gansky-Baller Family cookbook: won by Rosalie Neiser of Weimar, given by an anonymous donor;

\$25 gift certificate to IGA/Wilcox Foods, Eagle Lake: won by Mr. & Mrs. Willie Emmel of Eagle Lake, donated by IGA/Wilcox Foods,

Jerry Retzlaff; cap and 12 Top Flite golf balls: won by Edwin Gold of Garwood, donated by Tee-Up Pro Shop, -Pinto Broeschke;

Quilt: won by Rebeca Lopez of Eagle Lake, donated by Our Lady of Guadalupe Altar Society; Sony AM/FM 2-hand tuner radio: won by Robert Dierschke of Eagle Lake, donated by J&K's Corner;

Vanity: won by Belinda Montemayor of Eagle Lake, donated by Leedo's Mfg. Co.; \$150 gift certificate to IGA/Wilcox Foods, Eagle Lake: won by Lorene Hengst of Schulenburg, donated by Our Lady of Guadalupe Men's Club; \$100 gift certificate at any one Eagle Lake Merchant: won by Cynthia Sanderman of Eagle Lake, donated by Parish Women;

\$75 gift certificate to any one merchant: won by Joe Michael Romo of Eagle Lake, given by anonymous donors; hanging basket: won by Wilfred Wick of Eagle Lake, donated by Canaris Nursery, Pete & Jeanette Canaris.

Alleyton

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"makes ferry crossing slow. In fact, the oxen teams might just as well haul the wagons across on a gravel barge, but the ferry has some kind of a government contract to float the stuff across. I guess they get paid for a ferry crossing even if the oxen pull the load across themselves."

Lowering his voice, Jerry continued, "I'm still kinda black and blue from the pounding yesterday. How about yourself?"

"The same," answered Seth. "Despite our hurts, Clem Ashby says our findings were worth the effort."

"That's good news for the cause," Jerry noted, rubbing the small of his back, "but it doesn't seem to subdue a few back-pains for me. Where are you going now?"

"I thought I'd ride down stream and look around," Seth replied. "Clem says military units patrol the area periodically, but he didn't discourage me from making the trip."

"Fine and good back," said Jerry. "I'll have the duty here until sundown if you happen to stop back by." Next week: Chapter 26, continued.



Competing in 4-H archery were, in back, from left, Jake Foster, Ryan Brandt, Hal Kunz and Brent Gorman. In front is Matthew Ross. Not pictured was Garrett Poncik. 4-H Photo



Attending the sales table during the convention are MH DRT Chapter Associate members Mary Jane Thornton of East Bernard and Mary Ann Kocurek of Houston. Standing behind them are MH DRT members Dorothy Albrecht of La Grange, Betty Hill of East Bernard, and MH CRT member Barbara Thornton of Houston. Photo Courtesy of DRT

Parish picnic drawing winners announced

The Parish of the Nativity picnic was held the end of June at the Eagle Lake Community Center. Winners in the various drawings were:

\$1,000 gift certificate (one merchant of your choice) won by Eida Williams of Eagle Lake, donated by the families of Emil Owens, Larry Sepak, Kenny Wishert, Charles Besch, Albert & Hazel Tomchesson, Harry & Helen Supak, Willie & Carolyn Noska, Walter & Doris Wilkerson, James & Georgia Dierschke, Wanda Henry, Mrs. Ellis Glueck, Nancy Nelson, Viola Marsalia, Mary Theuman Estate and three anonymous donors;

\$50 gift certificate at Johnny's Sport Shop: won by Stephen Spaniel of Garwood, donated by Michael & Melody Grigar;

Fully equipped first aid kit: won by Joey Posada of Eagle Lake, donated by S&W Parts, Jim Wood;

\$25 gift certificate to IGA/Wilcox Foods, Eagle Lake: won by Betsy Glaiser of Eagle Lake, donated by IGA/Wilcox Foods, Jerry Retzlaff; John Deere walk behind lawnmower: won by Philip Wood of Hous-

ton, donated by Shoppa's Farm Supply;

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Garwood Community Association hold meeting



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The Garwood Community Association held their regular meeting at the Association building on July 8.

A recent bake sale fund raiser held in Garwood and Nada was a huge success. Thanks goes out to all who participated in baking or buying items at the sale.

Dec. 7 is the date set for the "Light Up Garwood", Mr. and Mrs. Santa Claus and the live nativity. Plans are also underway to have a craft and antique show, along with food booths during the day.

Additional information will be published as it is available. Because of the many hours of hard work on the part of many citizens, Garwood is becoming "The Best Little Rural Town in Texas".

The next Association meeting will be held on July 29 at 7:30 p.m. at the Association meeting room.

'Triumphs' will deliver another blast from your past

After a three-year absence, the Triumphs are returning to Riverside Hall in East Bernard this Saturday, July 13, to deliver "Another Blast From Your Past" to all their old and new friends.

This will be their third appearance at Riverside Hall since they reunited in 1992, after more than a decade of retirement. The Triumph's two previous performances at the well-known hall were very successful and band members are still surprised by the turnout.

"We saw people we hadn't seen in years," said Tim Griffith, lead guitarist. "The two dances were like giant reunions. Everyone saw old friends and made new ones. It was great to see how many people remembered us and wanted to hear us again."

"This year should be special, too," Griffith added. "Our friend, W.C. Todd from Needville, will be opening the show. He did a great job with Jeff and the Kickers and Wild West in the 70's and 80's. He'll be adding a little country flavor to our rock'n' roll. I think Saturday will be another one of those nights to remember."

The doors open at 8 p.m. and the music begins at 9 p.m. The Triumphs encourage everyone to be on time because they have a special surprise for the "early birds" at the dance.

Tickets will be sold at the door for \$12. Advance tickets are available for \$10 at Camera's Unlimited in Rosenberg and Vinch's Smokehouse, East Bernard.

For more information, call 713-342-1360 or 558-7500.

PAC gym summer hours set

The PAC gym and weight room summer hours are: Monday through Thursday, 4 to 8 p.m., July 29 through Aug. 1. The PAC gym and weight room will not be open on holidays. After Aug. 1, the PAC will be closed for the summer.

VBS at Methodist Church next month

July 29 through Aug. 2 the United Methodist Church will be sponsoring a Bible School for the children of the community. Call Margaret Henry at 234-5918, Carla Dopslauf at 234-2319, or the Methodist Church office at 234-3288 to pre-register your child. All children are invited and encouraged to attend.

Burkes visit St. Louis

George and Marian Burke returned Tuesday, July 2, from a family reunion with their children and grandchildren in St. Louis, Missouri.

Their son, Dr. Mark Burke, his wife and two children, drove down from Minneapolis.

Their daughter, Elizabeth Thomas, and her two sons, flew to St. Louis from Salt Lake City, Utah, and then flew on to Texas on July 5 for some additional visiting with her parents and friends.

The Burke's daughter, Marianne, and her family had a busy and fun time showing everyone the St. Louis area, which has much to see: notably the Botanical Gardens, Science Museum, I-Max Theater, Arch, Indian Mounds, a riverboat McDonalds, and the big 4th of July fireworks display. A great time was enjoyed by all.

Girls summer basketball league ends

The Girls Summer League Basketball has come to a close. July 2 was the final game played in the First Annual Red, White and Blue Girls Basketball League.

Several high school girls from Rice played with El Campo and Louise athletes in a league established by Rice Coach Jane Laws and El Campo Coach Radin in an effort to keep high school girls competitive during the off-season.

Rice players were: Sha Sewell, Tierra Wright, Dawn Schwemm, Jennifer Christ, Bridget Baird, Termika Shropshire, Rachele Kallina, CoCo Johnson and Amy Obenhaus.

This year's champion was Team 5. They were 8-2 in league play. Taking home a first place trophy from Rice were Kallina, Johnson and Obenhaus.

Second place went to Team 1. Sewell took an individual trophy as her team came out with a 7-3 record. Third place trophies were also given. Team 3 had a 6-4 record. Christ and Schwemm will mount their individual trophies on their shelves for a job well done.

Coach Laws said, "We hope to have 8 to 10 teams next year, but for this first year, we are very pleased with the results."

Laws sends special thanks to Coach Dennis Jackson for letting them use the high school facilities.

MILITARY NEWS

Navy Seaman Recruit Louis R. Barrow

...son of Louis R. Barrow and Alice F. Kuykendall, both of Eagle Lake, recently completed U.S. Navy basic training at Recruit Training Command, Great Lakes, Ill.

During the eight-week program, Barrow completed a variety of training which included classroom study, practical hands-on instruction, and an emphasis on physical fitness.

In particular, Barrow learned naval customs, first aid, fire fighting, water safety and survival and a variety of safety skills required for working around ships and aircraft.

Barrow and other recruits also received instruction on the Navy's core values - honor, courage and commitment - and what the words mean in guiding personal and professional conduct.

Barrow joins 55,000 men and women who will enter the Navy this year from all over the country.

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Navy Airman Kevin L. Jackson

...son of Patrick I. and Nancy F. Bownds of Rock Island, has returned to Bremerton, Wash., after completing a six-month deployment to the Western Pacific Ocean and Persian Gulf aboard the aircraft carrier USS Nimitz.

Jackson is one of more than 5,000 sailors and Marines aboard the carrier who completed the nearly 45,000-mile deployment. Aircraft carriers like Jackson's ship are forward deployed around the world to maintain a U.S. presence and provide rapid response in times of crisis. They serve as a highly favorable deterrent to would-be aggressors and, if deterrence fails, offer the most versatile and powerful weapons systems available.

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Warrant Officer Eloise L. Renteria

...has graduated from the Warrant Officer Candidate School (WOCS) and received an appointment as an Army warrant officer at Fort Rucker, Daleville, Ala.

Renteria is the daughter of Pete and Susie Lopez of East Bernard. Her husband, Louis, is the son of Pauline Alvarado of Fulshear.

The school is an intense 240-hour course conducted in a very rigorous, high-stress environment. Candidates receive training and experience in leadership, Army doctrine and tactical training through technical and tactical certification. As the officers gain progressive levels of expertise and leadership, they operate, maintain, administer and manage equipment, support activities or technical systems throughout their careers.

Renteria graduated in 1977 from East Bernard High School, and received an associate degree in 1992 from the Community College of the Air Force.

Staff Sgt. Pamela L. Smith

...has arrived for duty at Elmendorf Air Force Base, Alaska. Smith, a signals intelligence analysis technician, is the daughter of Mary G. Harman of Oxford, Ga.

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Tests in Animals: These tests help determine the way new medicines work and their side effects. If such tests are successful, the FDA usually approves the manufacturer's application for investigational new drug (IND) status. The IND clears the way for human testing.

Tests in Humans: The FDA requires three phases of human testing. These tests produce information about how the human body reacts to the medicine and specific indications for the medicine.

Final Approval: FDA reviews of INDs make take 2 to 3 years, except when priority reviews are undertaken as in the case of many cancer and AIDS medicines. With FDA approval comes the exclusive right to manufacture and sell the medicine in the United States. Manufacturers must inform the FDA of unexpected side effects that come to their attention following final approval.