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To The Editor & You

'Lost generation'

To the Editor:
The evidences that we are part of a "lost generation" abound and they are perhaps no more clearly seen than in many of our political leaders and "wannabe's".
Like it or not, character still counts and we have good precedent to follow. Moses wrote God's mind on the topic: "You shall select out of all the people able men who fear God, men of truth, those who hate dishonest gain; and you shall place these over them, as leaders..." Exodus 18:21.
Noah Webster, in his History of the United States published in 1832,

wrote: "Let it be impressed on your mind that God commands you to choose for rulers just men who will rule with the fear of God. The preservation of a republican government depends on the faithful discharge of this duty; if the citizens neglect their duty and place unprincipled men in office, the government will soon be corrupted... if a republican government fails to secure public prosperity and happiness, it must be because the citizens neglect the divine command, and elect bad men to make and administer the laws."
Walt Glasscock, Columbus

'A look at whole picture'

In reply to a previous letter that appeared in *The Colorado County Citizen* from a Mr. Cason, I offer the following:

Mr. Cason's evaluation, if you can call it that, of the Clinton administration is an insult to the thinking people he addresses. How can someone, on the basis of one magazine article, jump to the illogical conclusion that all of the issues in the presidential campaign four years ago have been positively resolved?
Look at the big picture, Mr. Cason. Concerning (1) the federal deficit: The national debt has increased by more than \$1 trillion since Bill Clinton took office. The deficit is expected to rise by \$53 billion next year if no real policy changes are made.
So, it is no surprise that Clinton is quick to take undeserved credit for the deficit-reduction plans passed by the Congress. In just two years Republican Congress had reduced non-military spending by \$53 billion and eliminated more than 300 wasteful programs and projects.

(2) The economy: Economic

growth under Clinton averaged 1.3% in 1995 and 2.5% overall. This is the slowest expansion in more than 100 years. Under Clinton, the gap between rich and poor has grown, with incomes for the top 5% of households increasing by 1.3%, while the incomes of everyone else have dropped by 3%.
(3) Crime prevention: It's funny how Mr. Cason failed to mention that under Clinton's watch, drug use has skyrocketed and juvenile crime rates have increased 11.5% since 1992. Also, Clinton claims he has put 100,000 cops on the street, yet to date, less than 20,000 are actually on the streets. Al Gore, himself, finally admitted this fact during the vice presidential debate.

(4) "Big Government": Total federal employment has decreased by 139,300, not 230,000 as Clinton claims. Nearly two-thirds of those job cuts came from the Defense Department. The non-defense work force (almost 1.2 million) is nearly 40% higher than in 1963, the year Kennedy died.
(5) The welfare system: Clinton campaigned on a promise to "end welfare as we know it". However, not only did he propose a welfare bill two years ago to expand welfare, but when Republicans sent him two welfare reform bills that would have allowed him to make good on his promise, he vetoed both.

Finally, under election year pressures, Clinton signed the Republican initiated welfare bill. In recent weeks, he and Al Gore have hinted they will gut it if they are re-elected.
Now, Mr. Cason, that is the whole picture.

Jamie Vice, 720 Brazos,
Suite 1101, Austin, TX 78701

Insurance assistance program begins

State Capitol Highlights

By Lyndell Williams
and Ed Sterling
Texas Press Association

panies representing about 80% of the state's residential property insurance market, agreed to participate in the program.

"I am pleased with the reaction so far and hope even more companies will sign up as the program becomes better known."

The MAP will be phased in over the next six months. Phase one began last week for residential property owners in Harris, Dallas, Bexar and Tarrant Counties - Texas' most populous - and all or part of 11 South Texas counties.

The MAP is mandated by House Bill 1367, an antidiscrimination measure sponsored in 1995 by state Rep. Harold Dutton and state Sen. Rodney Ellis, both Houston Democrats.

Under the MAP, Bomer can require all property insurers to participate in the plan if he determines the voluntary approach is not finding insurance for enough eligible applicants.

Ellis Sorry About Taping
Sen. Rodney Ellis apologized last week for secretly taping recording conversations with colleagues on the

Senate floor during the 1995 legislative session.

A camera crew followed Ellis into the Senate chamber and captured uncensored conversations between senators. The tape of Ellis winning Senate approval of one of his bills is about a 10-minute segment of a four-hour television documentary, "Vote for Me - Politics in America" to be broadcast on PBS Oct. 28 and 29.

The week before last, Sen. Jeff Wentworth, R-San Antonio, sent Ellis a letter demanding a formal apology and proposing a rules change to prohibit secret recordings on the Senate floor, the *Houston Chronicle* reported.

"You have betrayed the trust I had in you," Wentworth wrote. Several other senators also demanded an apology from Ellis.

Ellis then sent fellow senators a letter that said: "I apologize if I have violated your trust in me for participating in the film."

Ellis said he forgot he was wearing a wireless microphone after a day working with the documentary film crew, but said, "On my part, it was dumb. My agreeing to participate was just indefensible."

Gov. Bob Bullock, who presides over the Senate, said, "It was an unfortunate event and he (Bullock) hopes it will not be repeated ever again - and he's not too pleased with PBS either."

Bullock does not believe, however, that Ellis' actions were malicious, Profit said.

Lottery Funded Scholarships
The State Board of Education has endorsed a plan to tie the Texas Lottery to the state's public schools.

Let's Look Back... 24 & 48 YEARS AGO

Jan. 12, 1972

One person was killed and three others injured in an accident three miles west of Rosenberg on Hwy. 90A at around 9 p.m. Monday night. All four are from Eagle Lake.

Lupe Garcia, 26, was killed in the

accident. Josie S. Esparza, 32, was critically injured and is in Ben Taub Hospital in Houston; Pete Munoz was reported in poor condition at Ben Taub; and the fourth person, Joseph Garcia, 28, was taken to Hermann Hospital. The accident occurred when their car, a 1965 station wagon, hit a truck which had jackknifed and was completely blocking the highway... Citizens of the community were deeply saddened Saturday to learn of the death of Rev. Charles E. Marshall, retired Methodist minister who had been making his home here for the past 16 years...

Mr. & Mrs. R.H. Wied of Nada announced the approaching marriage of their daughter, Carol, to Dennis Korenek, son of Mr. & Mrs. Emil Korenek of El Campo. The wedding is scheduled for 2:30 p.m. on Saturday, Feb. 12, at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Nada.

Aug. 13, 1948
After four years of illness during which time she spent many hours in a wheel chair, Mrs. A.E. Cearnal was called to her heavenly reward at 10:30 a.m. Sunday at the family home...

A few weeks ago, the Eagle Lake Lodge No. 366, A.R. & A.M., honored George W. Keith who had completed 50 years of service as a member of the local lodge. The Lodge again honored their brother Mason Tuesday afternoon with formal burial services...

A foundation is being laid on the Eagle Lake school campus this week, and the former Mexican school building in "the flats" will be moved shortly (See 24 & 48, Page 4)

ELECT



R.H. "CURLY" WIED

Democratic Candidate for
Colorado County Sheriff

November 5th General Election

Honest * Fair * Dedicated

Your Vote will be greatly appreciated!

Pol. ad. paid for by Al Mahallat, Treas., Rt. 1, Box 61M, Eagle Lake, TX 77434.

VOTE EARLY

When? **Saturday, Oct. 26**

Where? **IGA Grocery**
(Eagle Lake)

Time? **1:00 - 3:30 p.m.**

Political advertisement paid for by Colorado County Democrats, 211 W. Post Office, Weimar, TX 78962.



The COOK Family

- Former Mayor of Eagle Lake
- Fourth generation farmer — active in agricultural issues
- Serves on the Board of the Texas Rice Council
- Member of local Chamber of Commerce, Texas Farm Bureau, Habitat for Humanity, Knights of Columbus, and Lions Club
- Born and raised in Eagle Lake, Colorado County
- Married to Mary Kay Dornak of El Campo. They have two children, Jenna (9) and Taylor (7). Active members of the Parish of the Nativity Catholic Church.
- Endorsed by the Texas Farm Bureau (AGFUND)

Robby COOK
For State Representative

Pol. Adv. paid for by Robby Cook Campaign — Mary Kay Cook, Treasurer
P.O. Box 714 • Eagle Lake, TX • 77434

Call Crime Stoppers • 234-5555 • It Pays Rewards

Tom and Deborah Reed, owners of Lake Motors Inc., are donating a University of Texas commemorative Sugar Bowl watch. It's water resistant and has a quartz movement and a two year warranty. For your car, truck or suburban, they are also donating a window tinting.



Eagle Lake Postmaster Robert McClellan shows off the item he has donated to the Auction, a collector's book of wildflower stamps.

All Study Club Auction
Photos by Carol Cardenas,
Headlight Staff

Donna Coldeway and Debbie Schmitt of Wallis State Bank, Eagle Lake, display the American Eagle Silver Dollar and United States Mint Proof Set donated by Wallis State Bank.

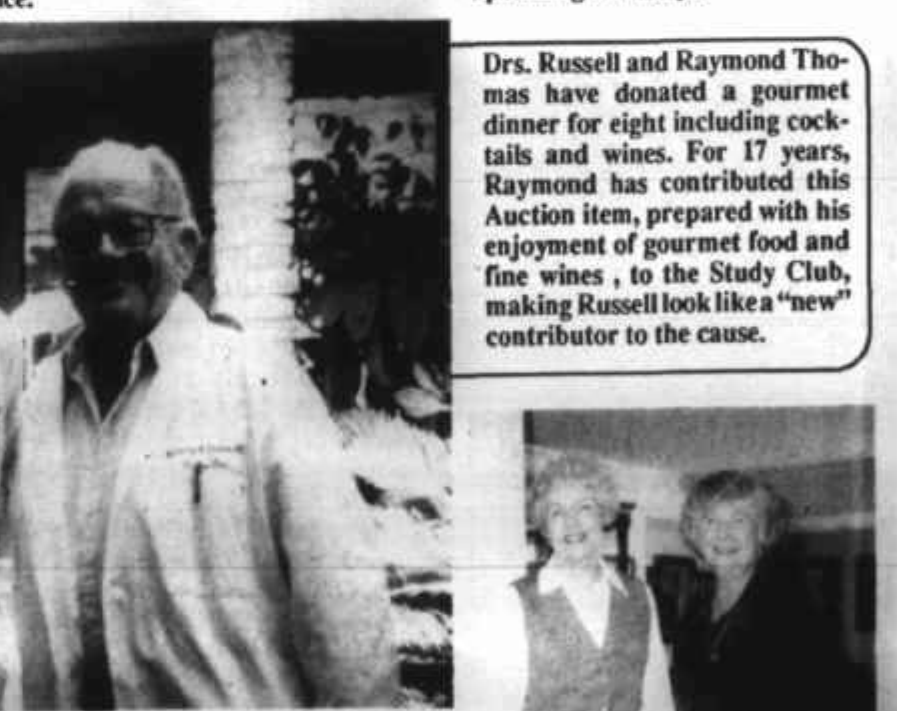
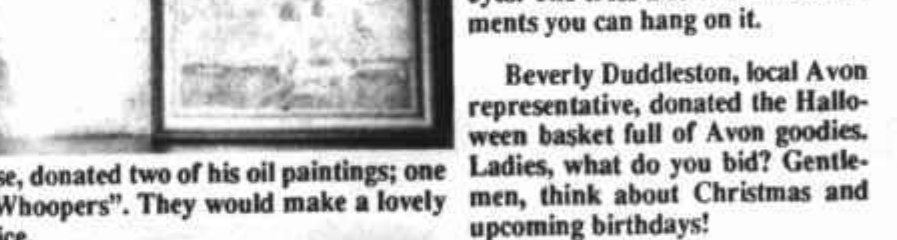


Local artist, Alvin "Hootie" Wiese, donated two of his oil paintings; one called "Sueno", and the other "Whoopers". They would make a lovely addition to anyone's home or office.



Mary Lou Anderson and Maryann Gertson, along with Joan Matthews (not pictured) have donated a Bridge Luncheon for 16 to be held at Maryann Gertson's beautiful home.

Carol Cardenas gets on the other side of the camera to show a t-shirt and sweatshirt made and donated by Jackie Middleton. The coaters with tatted inserts, at left edge, were made and donated by Elfe Thomas.



17th Annual Eagle Lake Study Club

AUCTION

This Saturday

Silent Auction & Stew Supper Begin at 5 p.m.

Main Auction Begins at 7 p.m.

Joe Herbert McCreary, Auctioneer

Eagle Lake Community Center

Proceeds to benefit the Eula & David Wintermann Library

Main Auction Items...

1. Dog or cat grooming donated by Lynn Ellis
2. 1 Pound Oklahoma Wildflower Seed donated by Wildseed Farms Inc., John & Marilyn Thomas
3. Wheelchair or Lap Afghan crocheted and donated by Blanche Reid
4. Large casserole holder with Pyrex dish donated by Dick Dunham
5. 50 Engraved Christmas cards and envelopes donated by Laker Printing & Trophies, Jonna & Wayne Bowen
6. Exam, X-rays and Cleaning donated by John Myres, D.D.S.
7. Fishing trip for 4 to Port O'Connor donated by Clifton Tyler
8. Lunch for four in Columbus at ...of the day/A Cafe donated by Penny Miekow
9. Red Case toy combine donated by Boetcher-Hlavinka Company, East Bernard
10. Mammogram donated by Rice District Community Hospital
11. Boneless barbecued ham (to be ordered) donated by Austin's BBQ & Catering, Ron & Denise Janow
12. Picnic table with 2 attached benches donated by Remodeling Plus, Brett Hudman
13. Italian cream cake on covered pedestal stand donated by Anna Lee Higgins
14. "Book of Virtues" by William Bennett donated by Virginia Reed
15. "Children's Book of Virtues" by William Bennett donated by Virginia Reed

16. 1996 Proof set of coins donated by Wallis State Bank
17. Cocktails and gourmet dinner with wines for eight donated by Dr. & Mrs. R.R. Thomas and Dr. & Mrs. Russell Thomas
18. Framed 1996 Olympic stamp set donated by Kate & Charles Spalinger
19. Dog or cat grooming donated by Lynn Ellis
20. Pink pig mailbox donated by Pat Dunham
21. Handmade oak clock donated by Orson Hess
22. Four Astros tickets for 1997 donated by Mary Lou & Arthur Anderson, Becky & Mark Anderson
23. Four Astros tickets for 1997 donated by Mary Lou & Arthur Anderson, Becky & Mark Anderson
24. Divinity on decorative plate donated by Liz Waddell
25. Handmade 27" doll "Miss Lucy", porcelain head, hands and legs donated by Fair & Robert Wells
26. Bridge luncheon for 16 at Gertson home donated by Joan Matthews, Maryann Gertson, Mary Lou Anderson
27. "Summer Sampler" of jellies and pickles donated Ernest Mae Seaholm

Door Prize
Victorian Doll House Drawing
NOTE: Door Prize Drawings may be moved to different positions in the auction, depending on the final number of items offered.

Silent Auction Items...

1. Clock (can be engraved) donated by Laker Printing & Trophies, Jonna & Wayne Bowen
2. Fall t-shirt donated by Jackie Middleton
3. Apple corer, peeler & slicer donated by Rhonda Anderson
4. Caterpillar wheel loader donated by Mustang Tractor Co., El Campo
5. Caterpillar tractor-type tractor donated by Mustang Tractor Co., El Campo
6. Three gallons Blue Bell ice cream donated by T.J. and Doris Smith
7. "A White House Diary" by Lady Bird Johnson, autographed donated by Betty Wegenhoft
8. "The Zero Hour" by Joseph Flinder donated by Musabelle's Books
9. Medium casserole holder with pyrex dish donated by Dick Dunham
10. Tree top angel donated by This Old House, Judy Cooper
11. Work glove angel donated by This Old House, Judy Cooper
12. Lunch for two donated by Blue Plate Cafe, Rene Al-obaidi
13. Bird house donated by Bob Wilcox
14. Bird house donated by Bob Wilcox
15. Two pair shoe slacks for packing donated by Betty Wilcox
16. Two pair shoe slacks for packing donated by Betty Wilcox
17. Three books on tape donated by Mary & Rollin Baker
18. Four books on tape donated by Mary & Rollin Baker
19. Four books on tape donated by Mary & Rollin Baker
20. Five books on tape donated by Mary & Rollin Baker
21. Five books on tape donated by Mary & Rollin Baker
22. Five books on tape donated by Mary & Rollin Baker
23. Five books on tape donated by Mary & Rollin Baker
24. Four books on tape donated by Mary & Rollin Baker
25. Toy Kubota tractor donated by W.A. Vinas & Sons, Inc.
26. Lunch for two donated by Blue Plate Cafe, Rene Al-obaidi
27. Divided candy dish donated by Museum Thrift Shop
28. \$20 Gift certificate donated by Brookshire Bros.
29. Avon basket donated by Beverly Duddleston
30. "Book of Virtues" by William Bennett donated by Virginia Reed
31. "Children's Book of Virtues" by William Bennett donated by Virginia Reed
32. "Primary Colors" donated by Virginia Reed
33. A flat of flowers donated by Joan & John Mathews
34. A flat of flowers donated by Joan & John Mathews
35. Christmas cherub donated by Brenda Corman
36. Pink-checked diaper bag donated by Jeannette Sullivan
37. Sunday buffet lunch for two donated by Mike'ska's BBQ & Catering, Columbus
38. Handpainted "Butterfly" cement stepping stone donated by Sandy Thomson
39. Plate of assorted cookies donated by Anna Lee Higgins
40. Christmas wreath donated by Rita Bowen
41. "A Memoir" by Barbara Bush donated by Virginia Reed
42. "My Many Colored Days" by Dr. Seuss donated by Virginia Reed
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44. "Master Crossword Puzzle Dictionary" donated by Virginia Reed
45. 1997 Wildflower calendar donated by Jennifer Reed
46. "101 Great Low-Fat Desserts" by Donna Rednitzky donated by Virginia Reed
47. "Game Cookbook" by Geraldine Steindler donated by Virginia Reed
48. "Better Homes & Garden Fish & Seafood" donated by Virginia Reed
49. "The Best of Women's Quotations" donated by Virginia Reed
50. Four books on tape donated by Mary & Rollin Baker
51. Four books on tape donated by Mary & Rollin Baker
52. Four clear coasters with tatted inserts donated by Elfe Thomas
53. Fall straw broom hanging donated by Becky Moulder
54. 3 hours of babysitting donated by Robin Shavers
55. 3 hours of babysitting donated by Jennifer Christ
56. Handmade Christmas ornament on stand donated by Connie Lange
57. Handmade Christmas ornament on stand donated by Connie Lange
58. Portable, rechargeable spotlight donated by Eagle Trailer Parts, Willard Lange
59. Four place mats with napkins and napkin rings donated by Ethel McCrory
60. Lighted gingerbread house donated by Sandy Thomson
61. Christmas wreath by Becky Moulder
62. Animated witch and lighted Halloween tree donated by Kitty Miller
63. Set of baseball cards donated by Kitty Miller