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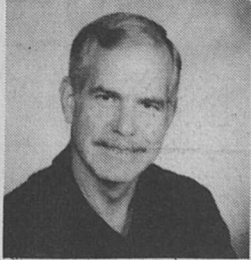
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## To The Editor &amp; You

## Member of Eagle Lake Class of 1949 appreciates column

Dear Editor:

My sister, Mrs. Jerri Fling of Garwood, sent me a clipping recently from your paper's column, "Looking Back 24 and 48 Years, March 25, 1949". It was about the play put on by the Senior Class of 1949.

The graduating Class of 1949 was probably one of the smallest classes of all time at Eagle Lake High School. There were only 13 of us; Mrs. E.O.

Ranft was our sponsor.

The entire class was either in the play or had other responsibilities. Besides those mentioned, Frankie Jeanne Pidgeon was also a member of the cast and Jean Linke was the business manager.

Domingo Castillo was in charge of the curtain and Elvina Janak was the property manager.

Joan Davis and I played the romantic leads in that Senior Play, "Trouble in Paradise".

A real, live stage kiss between the two of us made for a lot of snickering from the rest of the cast as well as a lot of nervousness and apprehension on my part.

Even so, I recall it all with fond memories.

Also, there were added attractions between acts. Faye and Gay Dodd sang a medley of popular songs, accompanied by Mrs. Clara Mae Nash.

Eugene Austin performed dances to King Size Papa and Hearshquake Boogie.

These details are not all from my memory but a copy of the program I have kept from that night those many years ago.

I also still have my copy of the script of "Trouble in Paradise" and as I re-read the old play, for just a little while, a very little while, I was a kid of sixteen again.

Thank you for jolting my memory of another time and another place. It was fun.

Sincerely,  
Clement A. (Clem) Blessington  
9762 Woodwind Drive  
Houston, Texas 77025

## Bible Verse of the Week

"If God be for us,  
who can be against  
us?"

— Romans 8:31

Submitted by  
Neddy Phillips

## About Town...



•Wharton County Junior College has recognized a number of area students as distinguished scholars for the spring semester of 1997. Named to the Dean's List for earning at least a 3.5 grade point average, out of a possible perfect 4.0, in all work completed during at least 12 semester hours of work, were: Eric Garza and Michael E. Johnson of Sheridan; Martha I. Flores, Maribel Gasca, Jill R. Satsky and Michelle L. Spanihel of Eagle Lake; and Kristi M. Lewis of Lissie.

Congratulations to all of you!

•Don Frnka came down the first part of the week to take care of the old Railroad Depot, as usual. Unfortunately for Don, he lost a set of keys and

believes it was while he was working around the building at Lake Ave. and W. Main.

His dad, Fred, says there's a small reward for anyone how finds them. So, if you find some keys in that area, please drop them by *The Headlight* office and we'll see that Don gets them back and you get a little compensation.

•Dawn Schwemm has done a bang-up job holding down the fort while Doug and Janie have been up north visiting Doug's mom and dad. Even with all the toils and tribulations that come a business owner's way, she has come through like a champ!

Good job, Dawn!

## Let's Look Back...

## 24 &amp; 48 YEARS AGO

Aug. 31, 1972

The Eagle Lake Sewing Center is now open in the House of Fabrics' new location at 221 East Main, the former used furniture location. The building, owned by the Oscar Millers', is across Jones St. from Miller Grocery. Mrs. Raymond Kohleffel is the approve dealer for the Singer sewing machines...

Jerry Zbraneck, owner of Jerry's ARCO Service Station in Garwood, has started construction of a new business for the Garwood and Nada area. Work is underway on the construction of a Kwik Kar Wash on Hwy. 71 south of Garwood...

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic Church was the scene of a beautiful candlelight service uniting in marriage Miss Patricia Ann Hengst, daughter of Mr. & Mrs. David Hengst, and Henry Wayne Hagendorf, son of Mr. & Mrs. Willard Hagendorf of Sheridan, on Saturday, Aug. 12, at eight-thirty in the evening...

Miss Judith Gold, daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Albert Gold of Garwood, became the bride of Harvey Heimann in a beautiful wedding ceremony in St. Mary's Catholic Church in Nada with the Rev. Father Paul Raaz officiating at the nuptial mass... Mr. & Mrs. Leroy Zikuhr are the pleased parents of a son born in the

Eagle Lake Community Hospital Thursday, Aug. 24, at six o'clock in the morning. The young man weighed three pounds at birth. His name is Adam Lincoln Zikuhr...

Russell Thomas, son of Dr. & Mrs. Thomas of Eagle Lake, was one of more than 3,000 young people attending the Young Voters for President Convention in Miami Beach. Sammy Davis Jr. served as Master of Ceremonies...

Mrs. Fred R. Frnka pinned the coveted gold wings of a Naval Aviator on her son, Ensign Robert D. Frnka, in a "pinning" ceremony at Corpus Christi NAS Friday...

A miscellaneous shower was given for Miss Rebecca Castillo, bride-elect of Tony Contreras at the Thomas Clinic Wednesday, Aug. 23.

May 13, 1949

Miss Jean Linke complimented Miss Jane Sunderman, who is to be married to Richard Williams June 20th, with a miscellaneous shower, Monday night...

J.R. Colly, Dr. J.C. Laughlin and Jack Richards of Ft. Worth made a nice haul at Aransas Pass early this week...

May 20, 1949

Jo Ann Meitzen, who was elected (See 24 & 48, Page 4)

## Citizens group praises Ron Paul

A national citizens' group has issued strong praise for Congressman Ron Paul's sponsorship of legislation reforming the rules under civil service law giving federal union officials "official time" for union activity. "Giving federal employees who

are union officials virtually unlimited "official time" — time off with full pay and benefits to promote union activity in the federal government — was one of the biggest mistakes in the Civil Service Reform Act of 1978. "It has resulted in the expenditures

of millions upon millions of federal tax dollars every year to artificially prop up unions which are not supported by the vast majority of federal employees and given federal unions unwarranted influences in the federal workplace," says David Denholm President of the Public Service Research Council, in a letter to Congressman Paul praising the bill.

According to the Council, "in most instances 25% or less of federal workers who have had union representation imposed upon them are actually union members. It makes absolutely no sense for the taxpayers to foot the bill for union activity when unions can't support themselves with dues monies."

The nature and extent of federal subsidies of unions for "official time" came to light last year in a General Accounting Office report which detailed the expenditure of \$12.6 million in Social Security Trust Funds to support union activity at the Social Security Administration.

According to the GAO, more than 1,800 Social Security employees used "official time" for union activity. At least 145 of these employees devoted full time to union business while being paid full pay and benefits from Social Security Trust Funds.

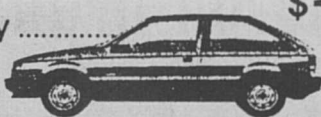
In supporting Paul's bill, the Council contends that the problem of the use of "official time" for union business "was made much worse Jan. 31, 1997, when the Federal Labor Relations Authority ruled that federal union officials were entitled to official time to lobby Congress."

"This decision makes a mockery of the law prohibiting federal agencies from expending funds to lobby Congress," Denholm said.

Denholm's letter to Paul concluded by pledging to promote interest in the bill and to work for a better public understanding of the issues involved in the legislation.

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Lime buildup also shortens the life expectancy of household appliances such as ice machines, coffee makers and especially water heaters.

Many people have resorted to salt based water softeners to try to deal with the problem. While such systems do "soften" water, they don't remove existing lime buildup.

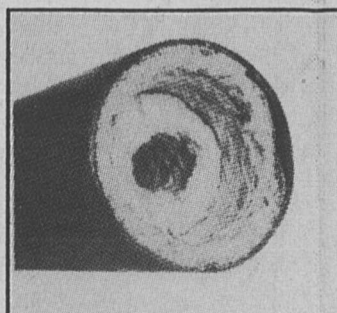
These systems are also expensive to purchase, install, costly to operate and maintain, and there is also a health risk of introducing sodium into the water.

Magnetic systems are not only less expensive, they offer more benefits, condition water, and also remove lime buildup from your water heater and pipes, enabling them to last longer and function more efficiently.

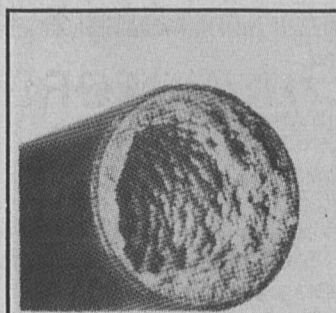
In 1973 a U.S. Government study for NASA program concluded that magnetized water will not form scale. As the water passes through the magnetic field the molecules are aligned into a uniform directional field allowing the water to regain its solvency and prevent minerals from forming crystals of scale, actually redissolving any existing scale back into the water.

In addition to energy savings, magnetized water requires only about 1/3 as much soap for washing dishes, clothes and shampooing.

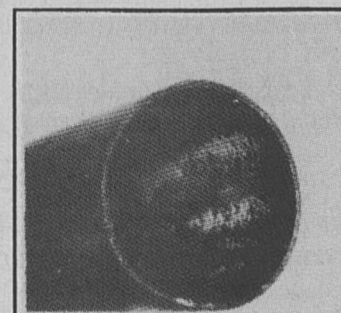
Magnetic systems are easy to install, use no energy, require no maintenance and are environmentally safe. A similar magnet is available for spas and swimming pools, reducing the amount of chemicals used.



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