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Early voting begins July 21

Early voting for the Aug. 9, 1997, election begins July 21. Here are a few of the qualifications that must be met. Qualifications for persons wishing to vote early by mail:

1. 65 years of age or older;
2. Confinement in jail;
3. Disability;

4. Expected absence from county on election day and during clerk's regular office hours for the remainder of the early voting period. Application must be submitted after early voting in person has begun. Early voting begins July 21, 1997. Your ballot must be mailed to an address outside the county.

Persons voting by mail must have their application in the county clerk's office by the close of regular business hours, Friday, Aug. 1, 1997.

Persons voting early by personal appearance may vote at the county clerk's office Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. starting July 21, 1997, through Tuesday, Aug. 5, 1997.

Limited Ballot

1. The Election Code authorizes voting a limited ballot after changing county of residence.

2. The person voting a limited ballot under Section 112.001 of the

Texas Election Code is entitled to vote only on each office or measure to be voted in a territorial unit (state or district) in which the person was a resident both before changing their county or residence and after the change.

Eligibility

1. After changing residence to another county, a person is eligible to vote a limited ballot by personal appearance or by mail if:

a.) The person would have been eligible to vote in the county of former residence on election day if still residing in that county;

b.) The date of the election is not more than 90 days after the new residence was established;

c.) A voter registration for the person in the county of new residence is not effective on or before election day.

2. A person is not eligible to vote a limited ballot by mail unless in addition to satisfying the eligibility requirements prescribed above, the person is eligible to vote early by mail under the standard early mail rules.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Darlene Hayek, County Clerk, at 409-732-6561.

Public school curriculum change draws support, barbs

Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills, the Texas Education Agency's first major public school curriculum-revising proposal in a decade, has drawn the support of many top educators and barbs from others.

State Board of Education member Donna Ballard and conservative groups including Texas Eagle Forum, American Family Association and Texas Christian Coalition have criticized the proposal, questioning whether the standards are adequately rigorous.

Education Commissioner Mike Moses, who called a new conference to answer critics, said the standards already have undergone many revisions to address earlier concerns of conservatives.

Ballard, in an opinion column published in several newspapers, called for another set of standards with "intensive systematic phonics; increasingly rigorous grammar instruction; and grounding in classical reading beginning in the second grade." In her published column Ballard also criticized Gov. George W. Bush for

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By Lyndell Williams and Ed Sterling
Texas Press Association

endorsing the proposal.

Bush Questions Man's Hiring

Gov. Bush last week questioned Land Commissioner Garry Mauro's decision to put a one-time campaign contributor convicted of bank fraud on the state payroll.

Mauro, who is contemplating a challenge to Bush's re-election, has hired former Austin banker Ruben Johnson at \$61,343 a year to help direct a \$52 million state construction project to build nursing homes for veterans.

"I'm confident this person would not have been appointed in my administration. I would be concerned about putting a person who was indicted and convicted of a construction issue in charge of a construction project," Bush said.

Mauro spokesman Joe Cutbirth defended Mauro's decision, saying, "I hope that doesn't mean that George Bush doesn't believe in giving people a second chance."

Early Voting Starts July 21

Early voting for the Aug. 9 election, in which voters will decide whether to use the state's \$1 billion surplus to cut school property taxes, begins July 21 and extends through Aug. 5.

If the constitutional amendment passes, homestead exemptions will increase from \$5,000 to \$15,000, reducing school property taxes by an average of \$140 per year. Also, senior citizens who sell their homes would be able to transfer their tax freeze to a new property.

The tax measure is the only constitutional amendment on the Aug. 9 ballot. Fourteen other proposed amendments will go before the voters on Nov. 4.

Gov. Bush plans to go on the road before the Aug. 9 election to stump for the school-tax rollback, saying he wants to be sure Texans know about the measure and ratify it.

"I'm confident that with a reasonable turnout it will pass. Very few people should be against it," he said.

Gramm Wants Fire Ant Patrol

U.S. Sen. Phil Gramm has renewed his call for the creation of a national advisory commission to battle Brazilian fire ants.

Speaking in Kerrville, Gramm described the imported fire ants as "the worst insect infestation we are experiencing today in the United States."

Fire ants accounted for \$2 billion in damage nationally last year and \$300 million in Texas alone, said Gramm, R-Texas.

With a budget of \$3 million annually for two years, the advisory commission would select research programs that show the most promise.

The commission then would seek competition among research organizations and decide which two have the most effective plan to carry out the eradication. Those two would then be funded for an additional five years at a total of \$6 million a year.

Other Capital Highlights

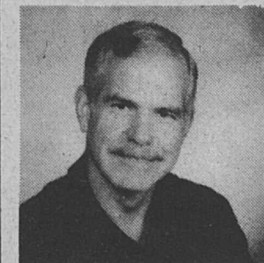
•State Rep. L.P. "Pete" Patterson, D-Brookston, said he will retire from the Texas House after 20 years and announce his candidacy for state agriculture commissioner "in the near future." Incumbent commissioner Rick Perry, a Republican, is running for lieutenant governor.

•Texas Attorney General Dan Morales, and the former Christine Glenn, 28, of Abilene were married on the Fourth of July weekend at his parents' San Antonio home. Glenn was a TV weather reporter in Abilene. About two dozen relatives attended the family-only wedding. Before the ceremony, the bride, groom, minister and some of the brothers played basketball and swim.

•Thirty-six persons lost their lives on Texas roads and highways during the long Independence Day holiday weekend, the Department of Public Safety announced. Spokesman Mike Cox said the DPS had predicted 36 deaths for the 78-hour reporting period. Sixteen people were killed during last year's Fourth of July holiday (See Highlights, Page 3)

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This notice is to officially announce the sale of the Eagle Lake Dairy Delite to Mr. and Mrs. David Keith as of July 1, 1997. This change comes after more than 25 years of ownership by the T.J. Smith family. Mrs. Loraine Smith actively managed the business until her death some two years ago.

Mrs. Connie Keith has assumed the management position and plans to operate the business in a similar manner using the same familiar personnel you have become accustomed to.

The Smith family appreciates your patronage throughout the past years. We urge you to continue to support the Keiths as you have us. It has truly been a pleasure to have served you.

Sincerely,
T.J. Smith

Let's Look Back...

24 & 48 YEARS AGO

Sept. 14, 1972

An Eagle Lake man, Joe Louis Garcia, has been charged with murder in the shooting of 26-year-old Juan Gilberto Huerta in an affray at the El Zarape Bar on East A Street at 8:15 p.m. Saturday...

Mrs. Helyn Farris, floral designer owner of Helyn's Flower Basket, flew to Lubbock for the weekend where she appeared as the commentator for the annual South Plains Design School...

The McGrew family reunion was held on Aug. 27, 1972, at the home of Linnie McGrew Jr. in Vox Populi. Over 100 family members and friends attended...

The silver anniversary bells of 25 years of marriage rang for Mr. & Mrs. Gardner A. Seaholm on Sept. 8, 1972. For the occasion, their children prepared a delicious barbecue dinner at their home...

Mr. & Mrs. Elmer Struss visited with son, John S. Moore, on the campus of the U.S. Naval Academy at Annapolis, Md., during the end of the Plebe Summer for Midshipman. John was an honor graduate at Rice Consolidated High School last May...

Mrs. Winnie Douglass of San Antonio, sister of the late Simon S. White of this city, passed away Tuesday morning Sept. 12 in San Antonio. The Douglasses lived in Eagle Lake many years ago...

Mr. & Mrs. Oscar Miller announced the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Janelle Frances, to Clinton Louis Mascheck, son of Mr. & Mrs. David Mascheck of Fayetteville. The wedding ceremony will be held at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic Church at half past the hour of seven on Friday, Nov. 17...

Little Adam Lincoln Zikhur, son of Mr. & Mrs. Leroy Zikhur of Alvin, died Friday, Sept. 8, in John Sealy Hospital in Galveston at 2 p.m. He was born in the Eagle Lake Community Hospital on Aug. 24...

Twelve-year-old Tommy Dee Balusek, son of Mr. & Mrs. Eddie Balusek of Garwood, attended the Fayette County Youth Rodeo during the Labor Day weekend. Sunday night, he was declared champion barrel racer and also champion calf roper. His brother, Eddie Lee, was declared champion tie-down calf roper. He also placed in the ribbon roping...

The Nu Courts Cafe at 127 E. Main is now open daily. Hope Moraida, manager, invites one and all to come by for breakfast, lunch or dinner.

June 3, 1949

R.E. Altman, who has been associated with the Universal Motor Company for the past twelve and a half years, announced the opening of Eagle Lake Motors, dealing in new and used cars...

Mr. & Mrs. Ted Brunner have with them their four-year-old nephew, Dennis Brunner, who with his mother and father were seriously injured in a head on collision on the highway outside Flatonia Sunday, March 20. Dennis is still in a cast which completely covers his right foot and leg and reaches to his waist. He (See 24 & 48, Page 6)

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Cold Air Treatments for Cluster Headaches

According to *Medical Sciences Bulletin*, 98 percent of the population suffers from a headache at one time or another. The cost of headaches in terms of lost productivity is estimated to be about \$17 billion a year. The main types of headaches are sinus, tension, migraine, TMJ, and cluster. Cluster headaches are not as well known as the other headache types. They differ from migraine headaches in that they tend to occur at night, waking up the person with an intense pain that is usually centered around one eye. Typically, cluster attacks last about an hour.

Medicines reported to help prevent cluster headaches include anti-inflammatory drugs, antidepressants, and high blood pressures medicines. The treatment that seems to work best for cluster headaches is 100 percent oxygen breathed for 5 to 15 minutes. Researchers recently published a study in the journal *Headache*, comparing oxygen to cold room air in the treatment of cluster headaches. Persons with a history of cluster headaches were asked to inhale room air cooled to 42 degrees F until the headache pain was gone. By comparison another group inhaled 100% oxygen. Inhaling cold air for 6 to 15 minutes was as effective in relieving cluster headache as was breathing 100 percent oxygen.

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\$332⁷⁰ per month

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