# Do you qualify for voting by mail?

**Submitted by Colorado County Clerk Darlene Hayek**

According to information sent out by County Clerk Darlene Hayek, the law now requires that the address to which a mail ballot is sent must be the residence address of the voter indicated on the mailing address of record with the voter registrar.

The exceptions to these rules are:

1) The voter is 65 or older and disabled.

2) The voter is confined to jail.

3) The voter expects to be absent from the county on election day and during Clerk's regular office hours for the remainder of the early voting period. Applications must be submitted after early voting in person has begun.

**Early voting begins Monday, Oct. 20.**

Your ballot must be mailed to an address outside the county.

Persons voting by mail must have their applications in the County Clerk's office by the close of regular business hours on Tuesday, Oct. 28.

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. Monday, Oct. 20, through Friday, Oct. 31.

**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) of which the person was a resident both before changing their county of 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 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 under the standard early mail rules.

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

APPLICATION FOR BALLOT BY MAIL, COMPLETE ALL INFORMATION. READ INSTRUCTIONS VERY CAREFULLY

*SOLICITUD DE UNA PAPELETA POSTAL. PROCURE PROPORCIONAR TODA LA INFORMACIÓN SIGUIENDO TODAS LAS INSTRUCCIONES AL PIE DE LA LETRA Y USANDO LETRAS DE MOLDE O A MÁQUINA*

A5-14pm

NAME AND RESIDENCE ADDRESS WHERE REGISTERED TO VOTE. INCLUDE CITY, STATE, ZIP *(Nombre, apellido y domicilio indicado cuándo se inscribió como elector. Procure incluir la ciudad, el estado y el código postal.)*

MAIL MY BALLOT TO (if different from above, the mailing address must be the voter registration mailing address of record or address as indicated under reason for voting). Include city, state, zip. *ENVÍE LA PAPELETA A (cuando es a un domicilio distinto al indicado arriba. Esta dirección postal tiene que ser: la indicada cuando se inscribió como votante, su domicilio inscrito o la indicada en el renglón donde explica por qué solicita esta papeleta.) Procure incluir la ciudad, el estado y el código postal.)*

| Type & Date of Election *(Tipo y fecha de las elecciones)* | Party Preference (Primary Election Only) *(Partido político sólo en cuanto a los comicios primarios)* |
|---|---|
| Check here for ballots for both the main election and runoff if applicable *(Haga un aquí para boletas para la elección principal y elección decisiva)* ☐ | |

| County Election Precinct Number* *Número de recinto electoral* | Voter Registration Number* *Número de identificación electoral* | Telephone Number* *Número de teléfono* |
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*Failure to provide this information does not invalidate application.
*No proporcionar esta información no invalida la solicitud*

**YOU MUST CHECK THE REASON YOU ARE APPLYING FOR AN EARLY BALLOT** *(TIENE QUE INDICAR POR QUÉ ESTÁ SOLICITANDO UNA PAPELETA ELECTORAL POR ADELANTADO)*

1. _____ **65 years of age or older** *Si tiene 65 años de edad o más*
2. _____ **Disability** */Si está incapacitado o es minusválido*

(If either reason 1 or 2 is given, please check ONE of the following if applicable. See Special instructions for clarification. *(Si cualquiera de estas razones aplican a su caso indique cuál de las siguientes excepciones también es cierta. Para más información lea las Instrucciones especiales)* My ballot is not being mailed to my voter registration address or voter registration mailing address of record but is being mailed to ____ the hospital, ____ nursing home or long-term care facility, _____ retirement center or _____ relative. Indicate the relationship of the relative _____. *He solicitado que mi papeleta electoral sea enviada a un domicilio distinto al que di cuando me inscribí como votante. He Solicitado que se envíe a ____ un hospital, ____ un centro de enfermería o de cuidados médicos a largo plazo; ____ un hogar de jubilados o ____ el domicilio de un familiar. Indique el parentesco que tiene con este pariente* _____.

3. _____ **Confinement in jail/*Está encarcelado.*** Check One/*Marque uno*: My ballot is being mailed to the _____ address of the jail or _____ relative. Indicate relationship of relative _____ */ Solicito que mi papeleta sea enviada a la siguiente dirección* _____ *la cárcel o* _____ *un familiar. Indique el parentesco que tiene con este familiar* _____.

4. _____ **Expected absence from the county.** 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 from outside county if submitted after early voting in person has begun. YOUR BALLOT MUST BE MAILED TO AN ADDRESS OUTSIDE THE COUNTY/*Para aquellos que anticipan estar fuera del condado el día de las elecciones y durante las horas de trabajo de la Oficina de la Secretaría por el resto del período de votación por adelantado. Si el período de votación por adelantado ya ha comenzado, esta solicitud tiene que haberse enviado desde fuera del condado. EL DOMICILIO AL CUAL SOLICITA QUE SE LE ENVIE SU PAPELETA ELECTORAL NO PUEDE ESTAR UBICADO DENTRO DE ESTE CONDADO.* If 4 is checked, give date you can receive mail at the address given _____. *En cuanto al No. 4, indique a partir de qué fecha podrá recibir correo en esa dirección.*

| _____ | _____ |
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| Signature of Witness, if required. *Firma del testigo, si hubo testigo* | Print Full Name of Witness *Nombre completo del testigo en letras de molde* |

Residence Address of Witness or Title of Witness If an Election Official *(Domicilio residencial del testigo o, si es un oficial electoral, el cargo que desempeña)*
See Instructions for Clarification *(Para mayor información, vea las instrucciones)*

X FOR WITNESS: Applicant, if unable to sign, shall make mark in presence of witness. If applicant is unable to make mark, the witness shall check here _____.
*PARA EL TESTIGO: Si el solicitante no puede firmar, éste deberá hacer su marca en presencia del testigo. Si el solicitante no puede hacer una marca, el testigo deberá colocar una marcar aquí* _____

X Relationship to Applicant (Check one: __ parent, __grandparent, __spouse, __child, __ sibling, __ other.) *Parentesco con el solicitante (Marque uno: __ padre, __ madre, __ abuelo/abuela, __ esposo/esposa, __ hijo/hija, __ hermano/hermana, __ otro.)*

"I CERTIFY THAT THE INFORMATION GIVEN IN THIS APPLICATION IS TRUE, AND I UNDERSTAND THAT GIVING FALSE INFORMATION IN THIS APPLICATION IS A CRIME." *"DOY FE QUE LA INFORMACION PROPORCIONADA EN ESTA SOLICITUD ES CIERTA, Y RECONOZCO QUE SI AL COMPLETAR ESTA SOLICITUD DOY CUALQUIER INFORMACION FALSA ESTOY COMETIENDO UN DELITO"*

_____ assisted me in completing my application. (If assisted) *Si alguien le ayudó completar esta solicitud anote su nombre aquí* _____ *me ayudó completar esta solicitud.*

X _____
SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT *(FIRMA DEL SOLICITANTE)*

**This sample mail ballot was provide by Hayek so that voters could become familiar with the new form.**

## Bible Verse of the Week

*"All things work together for good to them that love God." — Romans 8:28*

Submitted by Neddy Phillips

# Colorado County Courthouse Report

**DISTRICT COURT CASES FILED**

Frigidaire Financial Corporation vs Gary R. Weaver, Individually and d/b/a/ Weaver's Lawnmower and Appliance Center, and Cherry L. Weaver, Guarantor; account.

**COUNTY COURT DISPOSITIONS**
**Oct. 7, 1997**

Robert Valdez, Columbus, driving while intoxicated (DWI), 6-19-95, on I-10, 12.8 miles east of Columbus, investigated by Department of Public Safety (DPS) Trooper Sam Trammell. Defendant pled guilty; fined $1,000 plus court costs; sentenced to 90 days in jail; placed on one year probation.

Shiela Jaerning, Columbus, assault, 1-9-97, 227 Smith, Columbus, investigated by Columbus Police Department (CPD) Officer Joe Lopez. Case was dismissed upon payment of court costs and at request of victim.

James David Hunt, Rock Island, motion to revoke probation filed. Defendant was previously placed on probation 12-10-96 for DWI. Defendant pled true to motion; was ordered to terminate probation, sentenced to 90 days in jail.

Nicole Fife, Houston, resisting arrest, 2-8-97 on I-10, 705 mile marker, investigated by Colorado County Sheriff's Office (CCSO) Deputy Ben Vlach. Defendant pled guilty; fined $500 plus court costs; sentenced to 30 days in jail, credit for time served.

Felipe Cruz, Ellinger, DWI, 2-8-97, Hwy. 90, at Roadside Market, Weimar, investigated by CCSO Deputy Vlach. Defendant pled guilty; fined $750 plus court costs; sentenced to 90 days in jail (probated over one year).

Edward Demont Hollaway, Eagle Lake, motion to revoke probation filed. Defendant was previously placed on probation 4-8-97 for resisting arrest. Defendant pled true to motion; ordered to terminate probation, sentenced to 90 days in jail.

Edward Demont Hollaway, Eagle Lake, motion to revoke probation filed. Defendant was previously placed on probation 4-8-97 for assault. Defendant pled true to motion; ordered to terminate probation, sentenced to 90 days in jail.

Preston Jenkins, Eagle Lake, assault, 12-23-96, 614 Stephens, Eagle Lake, investigated by Eagle Lake Police Department (ELPD) Sgt. Clem Johnson. Defendant pled guilty; fined $2,000 fine ($1,500 probated upon completion of Anger Management course) plus court costs and restitution. Upon payment of $75 restitution, case number 13,502 will be dismissed.

Miguel Wenceslao Gomez, Sheridan, DWI, 7-12-97, Ave. A, Sheridan, investigated by DPS Trooper Trammell. Defendant pled guilty; fined $750 plus court costs and restitution, sentenced to 90 days in jail (probated over one year).

Robin Mitchell, Columbus, assault, 2-15-97, corner of Fannin and Preston Streets, Columbus, investigated by CPD Officer M.R. Edman. Defendant pled guilty; fined $500 plus court costs, sentenced to 90 days in jail (probated over one year).

John W. Creech, LaGrange, theft by check (TBC), in Weimar. Reduced to issuance of bad check. Defendant fined $200 plus court costs, ordered to pay restitution.

Ross Kalous, Schulenburg, TBC, in Weimar. Reduced to issuance of bad check. Defendant fined $200 plus court costs, ordered to pay restitution.

Felipe Melendez, Eagle Lake, TBC, 4-30-97, City of Columbus. Defendant pled guilty; sentenced to 34 days in jail, credit for time served.

Dana Gilchreist, Sabine Pass, DWI, 7-31-97, 1203 E. Main, Eagle Lake, investigated by ELPD Officer Tim Crume. Defendant pled guilty; fined $750 plus court costs; sentenced to 90 days in jail (probated over one year).

Ruben Salinas Gutierrez, LaGrange, DWI, 7-27-97, Hwy. 90, west of Columbus, investigated by DPS Trooper Royce Korenek. Defendant pled guilty; fined $1,000 plus court costs; sentenced to 90 days in jail (probated over one year).

Jeffrey Wright, Houston, possession of marijuana, 8-25-97, I-10, 696 mile marker, investigated by CCSO Deputy J.R. Pavlicek. Defendant pled no contest; fined $750 plus court costs; given one year deferred adjudication.

**MARRIAGE LICENSE APPLICATIONS**

Rodulfo Martinez and Jennifer Aleman; filed 10-7-97.

Mark David Schobel and Nicole Renee Lievsay; 10-8-97.

John Richard Sedlacek and Patricia Kocurek Tomlinson; 10-10-97.

# More RHS memorabilia at PEM

**By Rollin Baker**

It pays to advertise says Museum Curator Bill Harrison.

Recently the *Headlight* featured a story that Prairie Edge Museum (PEM) was exhibiting a spectacular helmet worn for a few seasons by drum majors at Rice High School.

This prompted a call from Susan Phillips (now Susan Phillips Gertson). She stated that she had attended Eagle Lake High School (ELHS) as a freshman and sophomore and Rice High School (RHS) as a junior and senior.

At the latter institution, she served as the first drum major. However, the head adornment which she wore was an earlier version of the one now on exhibit and made available by Sandra Benge.

Even though Susan's "top hat" had been lost, she brought in much needed collectibles relating to both ELHS and RHS.

From ELHS, she donated an elongated banner and the printed program for the last ELHS football game(our team won on Nov. 7, 1969, against Smithville 30 to 22).

She also presented ribbons used in connection with Powder Puff Games in which the girls participated. One is labelled 4th Annual Goose Bowl, Nov. 1968; the other, 5th Annual Goose Bowl Game, April 3, 1970.

RHS items which she gave to PEM to preserve were a copy of the first annual (Year Book) and Volume 1, Number 1 of the mimeographed "The Raider Review".

Also, a football-shaped circular in school colors listing the very first Rice football schedule and bearing the name of the circular's sponsor, Lake Motors Inc., completed her sizeable donation.

Thank you, Susan.


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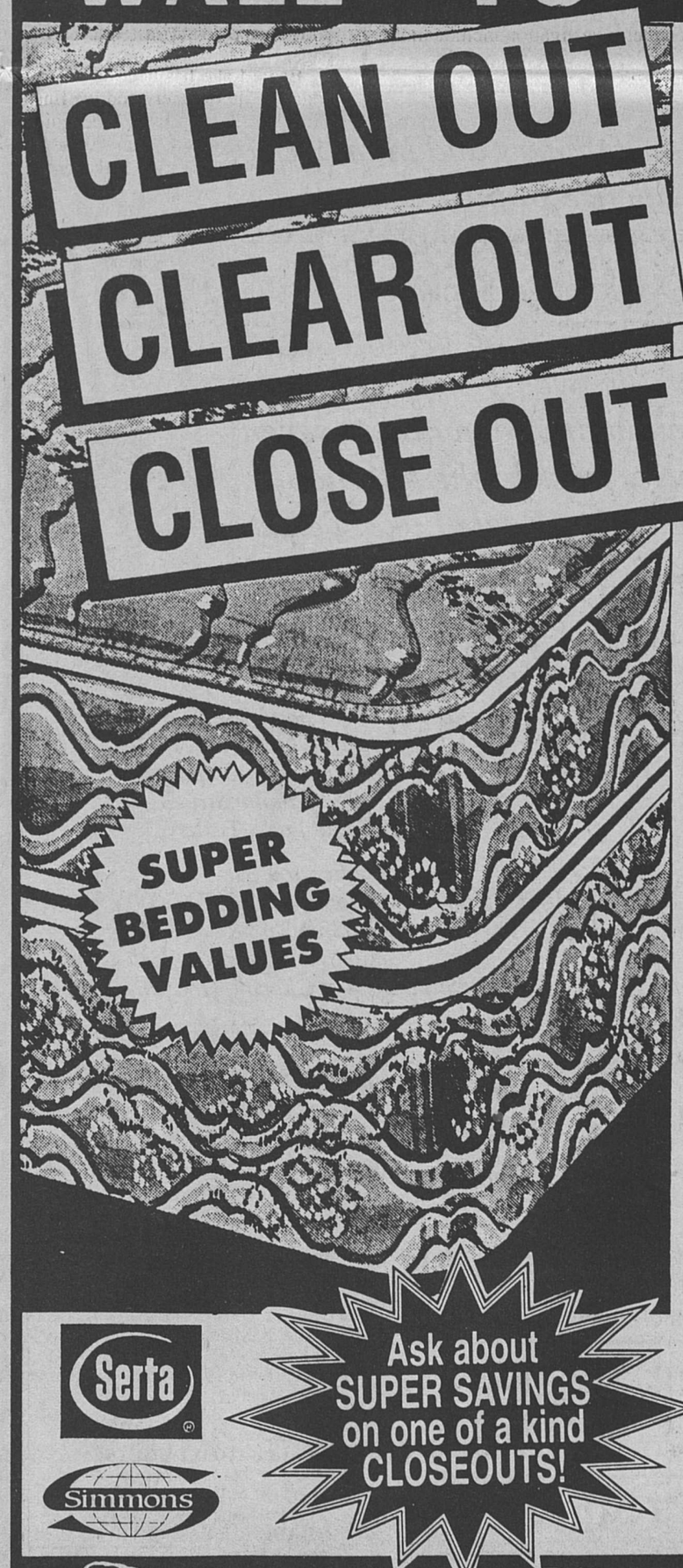


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Full (2 pc. Set) .....Reg. $409 **Sale . . . $269**
Queen (2 pc. Set) ...Reg. $509 **Sale . . . $339**
King (3 pc. Set) .....Reg. $689 **Sale . . . $459**

BUDGET BEDDING
Twin (2 pc. Set) .....Reg. $199 **Sale . . . $139**
Full (2 pc. Set) .....Reg. $246 **Sale . . . $169**
Queen (2 pc. Set) ...Reg. $329 **Sale . . . $219**
King (3 pc. Set) .....Reg. $379 **Sale . . . $269**

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