

News from the Sheridan Library

Thousands of older Texans offer employers the experience and wisdom of a lifetime of hard work and dedication.

"Texas is proud of the contributions made by our mature workers in today's society and we must maintain this valuable resource in our labor

force of the future," says Bob Girard, Executive Director of STEP.

For over 20 years, the Senior Texans Employment Program, administered by the Farmers Union Community Development Association, Inc. and founded through the Texas Workforce Commission and

the U.S. Department of Labor, has provided older workers the opportunity to apply their lifelong skills and abilities to many local projects while receiving marketable training for employment.

All older workers should be congratulated during Older Worker Week, March 1998, and Sheridan

recognizes Jenavee Peterson for her accomplishments.

Peterson has been employed with the Sheridan Memorial Library since 1993. Her work at the library enables the community to have 20 hours of library service and daily assistance for those who need help on various subjects.

take them into a world of learning and adventure.

Her promptness to work, her capability with patrons, both young and old, and her keen awareness of what patrons want make her contributions to the library an asset to the whole community.

Parishioners serve as mentors

Members of Christ Church (Episcopal) in Eagle Lake are serving in classrooms at Eagle Lake Primary School.

With the desire to help in the vital work of educating our children, they are helping teachers and children as mentors, or general helpers in the classroom, according to needs identified by teachers.

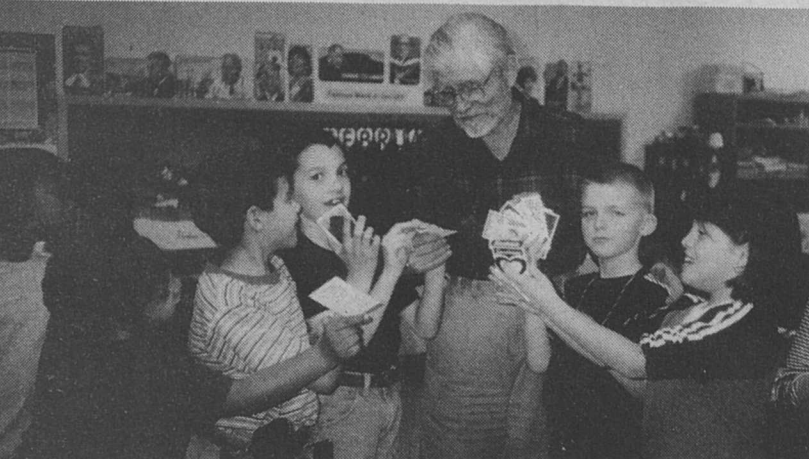
Each member offers one hour a week to this work and reports are they are having the time of their lives!

Other adults in the community who would like to help, please contact the Rev. Russ Minter at Christ Church, 234-3437, for applications.

Screening by school administrators is required, of course.



Jenavee Peterson has worked on the STEP program for five years.
Photo Courtesy of Sheridan Library



Shown above is Rev. Russ Minter of Christ Episcopal Church, founder of the mentor program at the Eagle Lake Primary School, assisting third grade students. From left are Noe Diaz, Reginald Willis, John Paul Supak, Bruno Rotter, Minter, Clayton Bowen and Idalia Morales.

Other volunteers are Laura Myres, Robin Thomas, Lori Zickuhr, Ann Braden, Deloris Mason, Irma Roque and Natalie Hampson. *ELPS Photo*

PJs present 'Beauty and the Beast' March 29

Sunday, March 29, at 2 p.m. the curtain rises at the Prairie Edge Museum Theater with the presentation of *The Enchantment of Beauty and The Beast*.

The play is directed by Jacqueline and Jessica Thomas, produced by Robin and Sherry Thomas, and performed by the Prairie Edge Museum Junior Players.

"Beauty and The Beast promises to be one of the gala events of Eagle Lake this year," said David Keith.

The marquee hosts a line up of star-studded young aspiring actors - all who have endured long and grinding rehearsals in preparation for their opening debut.

Junior Players include the likes of:

Clifford Keith, Stephanie Sommerlatte, Clayton Bowen, Lindsey Thomas, Selena Sykowski, Jenna Cook, Kristi Johnson, Jacqueline Thomas, Hillary Johnson, Amanda Burrow, Tiffany Stern, Jessica Thomas, Katlyn Thomas and Shelly Myres.

Beauty and The Beast is the seventh production by the Junior Players organization, which has been in existence since 1992. Support from the Prairie Edge Museum and ticket sales help keep the performing arts available to our young children.

Tickets are limited and available at the Dairy Delite, 810 E. Main. Reserved seats are \$5; general admission, \$2 for adults and \$1 for youth; 12 years of age and younger.



Members of the PJs take a break during rehearsal for Beauty and The Beast. Pictured, from left, are Jacqueline Thomas, Jessica Thomas, Cliff Keith and Tiffany Stern.
Photo Courtesy of David Keith

Ag Day is March 20

On March 20 of this year, America will celebrate Ag Day, a part of the Agriculture Council of America's celebration of National Agriculture Week, March 15-21.

Organizers are using Ag Day to make the American public more aware of the enormous contributions of the U.S. agriculture industry.

"The United States is at the top of the worldwide agriculture market," said Bob Stallman, President of the Texas Farm Bureau.

"Ag Day is an opportunity to make the public aware of the incredible impact agriculture has every day in our society, as well as celebrate the outstanding achievements of American farmers and ranchers."

Ag Day's 1998 theme is "Growing Tomorrows". This theme points to the increasing demand that will be placed on agriculture in the future.

With the world's population at 5.5 billion today, it's expected to soar to 7.9 billion by the year 2020. Agriculture's ability to produce more and more food will be critical for this growing population.

Fortunately, America's farmers and ranchers have already made great progress in increasing productivity.

For example, in 1960 the average farmer fed 25.8 people. By 1994, however, the average American farmer had increased his productivity five times, feeding 129 people both in the U.S. and abroad.

"Despite the booming population, American agriculture is up to the task," Stallman said.

"Modern farming practices and state-of-the-art technology have allowed American farmers and ranchers to produce more food than ever before

on fewer acres."

Recent advances, such as precision farming, are playing a big role in increasing farm productivity.

Sophisticated Global Positioning Systems help reduce waste by using satellites and computers to map out a field and let the farmer know exactly where and when he needs to plant seed, apply fertilizer and crop protection chemicals. This not only increases crop yield, but saves money and protects the environment.

Biogenetics have also increased the amount of food that each plant produces. Geneticists isolate desirable plant traits (such as disease resistance) and incorporate them into new plants, resulting in much higher crop yields.

Ranchers have also used technology to produce leaner cuts of beef. Today's beef has 27% less fat than in 1985.

Farmers and ranchers have also worked hard to preserve the land. Farmers have employed contour farming (planting crops around hillsides rather than up and down) and reduced tillage practices to prevent erosion.

Ranchers have addressed erosion by making use of sod waterways, diversions, and catch basins.

Technological advances have helped boost agriculture to become America's top export with average sales of \$52 billion annually.

In addition, the agriculture industry employs over 22 million Americans who produce, sell and trade the nation's food and fiber.

By the year 2000, agriculture is expected to generate one-quarter of the U.S. Gross Domestic Product.

COURTHOUSE REPORT

DISTRICT COURT CASES FILED
Orville Powers, Paul Powers, Karl Hill and Mark Hill vs EEX Corporation formerly known as Enserch Exploration Inc.; damages.

First National Bank of Eagle Lake vs Terry Brandt, Ted J. Hajovsky Jr. and Delfin D. Labay; promissory note.

DIVORCES FILED
Jeffrey L. Fox and Cathy J. Fox.
Allen E. Walger and Jeanette Marie Walger.

MARRIAGE LICENSE APPLICATIONS
Calvin Charles Ekarius Sr. and Mary Elizabeth McClanahan; filed 3-12-98.
Leslie Allen May and Shellie Denise Bruce; 3-13-98.

Kevin Wade Krhovjak and Cheryl Ann Ashness; 3-14-98.
John Lee Williams and Tracey LaJuan Scott; 3-16-98.

Juan Luis Maturino and Christina Ann Alvarado; 3-16-98.
Jason Todd Barton and Melissa Kay Michalec; 3-17-98.

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FOOD market

EAST BERNARD TEXAS

Store Hours: Mon-Sat, 7 a.m. to 9 p.m.; Sun., 7:30 a.m. to 8:30 p.m.

7 Day Specials Good Thursday, March 19, through Wed., March 25, 1998

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*Double Coupons: See Details in Store

<p>Regular, Diet or Caffeine Free Mr. Pibb, Nestea, Surge, Sprite or Classic</p> <h2 style="margin: 0;">COKE</h2> <p>12 Pk. Cans (Limit 4-12 Pks.)</p> <h1 style="margin: 0;">2 / \$5</h1>	<p>3-Ring</p> <h2 style="margin: 0;">SHORTENING</h2> <p>42 Oz. Can</p> <h1 style="margin: 0;">99¢</h1>	<p>Parade All-Purpose</p> <h2 style="margin: 0;">FLOUR</h2> <p>5 Lb. Bag</p> <h1 style="margin: 0;">69¢</h1>
<p>Parade Cut Green Beans, Sweet Peas, Whole Kernel or Cream Style Corn</p> <h2 style="margin: 0;">VEGETABLES</h2> <p>14-1/2 Oz. - 15-1/4 Oz. Cans</p> <h1 style="margin: 0;">3 / 99¢</h1>	<p>Hunts Squeeze</p> <h2 style="margin: 0;">KETCHUP</h2> <p>24 Oz. Bottle</p> <h1 style="margin: 0;">88¢</h1>	<p>Assorted Citrus Punch</p> <h2 style="margin: 0;">SUNNY DELIGHT</h2> <p>64 Oz.</p> <h1 style="margin: 0;">88¢</h1>

<p>Washington Large Red</p> <h2 style="margin: 0;">DELICIOUS APPLES</h2> <p>69¢ Lb.</p> <p>Regular, Diet or Caffeine Free Sprite, Mr. Pibb, Barq's Root Beer, Surge, Fresca, Schweppes Ginger Ale, Minute Maid Flavors, Cherry Coke or</p> <p>CLASSIC COKE 2 Liter Bottle 99¢</p> <p>Regular or Light Beer</p> <p>BUDWEISER 12 Pk. Cans \$6.88</p> <p>Regular or Light</p> <p>SCHAEFER BEER 12 Pk. Cans \$3.69</p> <p>Pre-Priced \$1.59; Regular or Wavy Lays</p> <p>POTATO CHIPS 6 Oz. Bag 99¢</p> <p>Pre-Priced \$2.19; Tortilla Chips</p> <p>DORITOS 9 Oz. Bag \$1.69</p> <p>Blue Bell Light ICE CREAM 1/2 Gal. \$2.99</p> <p>Blue Bell Frozen YOGURT 1/2 Gal. \$2.99</p> <p>Assorted Nabisco Cookies</p> <p>CHIPS AHOY 14-1/2 Oz. - 18 Oz. Pkg. \$2.29</p> <p>Tortilla King Flour TORTILLAS 20 Ct. Pkg. 99¢</p> <p>Parade Vegetable or CORN OIL 48 Oz. Bottle \$1.39</p> <p>Regular or Mesquite Briquets Parade</p> <p>CHARCOAL 10 Lb. Bag \$1.59</p> <p>Perc-Reg. or Auto. Drip Folgers COFFEE 13 Oz. Can \$2.49</p> <p>Parade Regular Scent Liquid BLEACH Gal. 79¢</p> <p>Gebhardt Regular or Jalapeno</p> <p>REFRIED BEANS 16 Oz. Can 2 for \$1</p> <p>Parade Whole Potatoes, Sliced Carrots, Mixed Vegetables or Sauerkraut</p> <p>VEGETABLES 14 Oz. - 15 Oz. Cans 3 for 99¢</p> <p>Parade DRINKING WATER Gal. 2 for \$1</p> <p>Charmin Ultra Double Roll</p> <p>BATH TISSUE 4 Roll Pkg. \$1.99</p> <p>Assorted PRINGLES Potato Chips 7 Oz. Can 99¢</p> <p>Malt-O-Meal Cereal</p> <p>TOOTIE FRUITIES 15 Oz. Bag \$1.49</p> <p>Post Cereal</p> <p>HONEY COMBS 14-1/2 Oz. Box \$1.99</p>	<p>USDA "Whole Packer Trim" Boneless</p> <h2 style="margin: 0;">Beef Briskets</h2> <p>99¢ Lb.</p> <p>Assorted Hunts Puddings or Gels</p> <p>SNACK PACK 4 Ct. 99¢</p> <p>Natural or Butter Parade Microwave</p> <p>POP CORN 10-1/2 Oz. Box 79¢</p> <p>Assorted Peter Pan</p> <p>PEANUT BUTTER 18 Oz. \$1.59</p> <p>SUNLIGHT Dish Liquid 22 Oz. 88¢</p> <p>1-1/2 Oz. Pkg. Lawry's Mix</p> <p>TACO SEASONING 2 for \$1</p> <p>Pre-Priced \$2.19; Tortilla Chips</p> <p>White Wing Flour TORTILLA MIX 8 Lb. Bag \$3.99</p> <p>Gebhardt HOT SAUCE 6-1/2 Oz. Bottle 3 for \$1</p> <p>Regular or Hickory Smoke Parade</p> <p>BBQ SAUCE 18 Oz. Bottle 69¢</p> <p>Pre-Price \$1.19; Regular, Heavy or Lemon Faultless</p> <p>SPRAY STARCH 22 Oz. 99¢</p> <p>Assorted Window Cleaner WINDEX 22 Oz. \$1.99</p> <p>Bluebonnet MARGARINE 1 Lb. Qtrs. 2 for \$1</p> <p>Parade Sliced American</p> <p>CHEESE SINGLES 12 Oz. Pkg. \$1.29</p> <p>Assorted Lean or HOT POCKETS 9 Oz. \$1.79</p> <p>Assorted Aunt Jemima WAFFLES 8 Ct. Box 99¢</p> <p>We Carry Only The Freshest Produce</p> <p>Sweet Crunchy Thompson or Red</p> <p>SEEDLESS GRAPES Lb. \$1.59</p> <p>Juicy Northwest Anjou PEARS Each 5 for \$1</p> <p>Sunkist Honey Mandarin ORANGES Lb. 69¢</p> <p>Fresh RED POTATOES Lb. 39¢</p> <p>Fresh Express SALAD MIX 16 Oz. Pkg. 99¢</p> <p>Fresh Tender Yellow or Zucchini SQUASH Lb. 79¢</p> <p>Crunchy Florida Green</p> <p>BELL PEPPERS Each 5 for \$1</p>
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The Best Cuts From Our In-Store Meat Market

USDA Boneless Beef	TRIMMED BRISKETS Lb.	\$1.49
Pilgrim Pride Fresh	WHOLE FRYERS Lb.	69¢
Pilgrim Pride	BONELESS CHICKEN BREASTS Lb.	\$2.99
Pilgrim Pride	BONELESS CHICKEN STRIPS Lb.	\$2.99
Family Pack USDA Fresh Lean Assorted	PORK CHOPS Lb.	\$1.49
Family Pack USDA Fresh Lean Center Cut	PORK CHOPS Lb.	\$1.99
USDA Boneless Beef	TOP SIRLOIN STEAKS Lb.	\$2.29
USDA Drumsticks, Wings or Necks	TURKEY PARTS Lb.	59¢
Farm-Raised	CATFISH NUGGETS Lb.	\$1.59
Assorted Owen's Breakfast	SAUSAGE 1 Lb. Roll	\$1.89
Rath Sliced	BACON 12 Oz. Pkg.	\$1.29
Rath Meat	HOT DOGS 12 Oz. Pkg.	79¢
Louis Rich	TURKEY BOLOGNA 16 Oz. Pkg.	99¢
Louis Rich	TURKEY SALAMI 16 Oz. Pkg.	99¢