

Let's Look Back...

24 & 48 YEARS AGO

July 31, 1973

Mrs. Mae Ashby and Mrs. Jeanette Spenrath will participate in the Class Integrated Program to be started this year as a pilot program at Eagle Lake Primary School...

Gerald Popp, a 1972-73 eighth grade student at St. Mary's School in Nada, was awarded first place honors in the junior high division in the recent Catholic Rural Life Contest of Texas. He is the son of Mr. & Mrs. Herbert Popp of Garwood. First place honors were also awarded to him in the boys' division in the South West District Division of the Catholic State League and the Catholic Life Insurance Union last spring...

The Rev. David E. Edgar, pastor of Colly Memorial United Methodist Church, has been selected to Outstanding Young Men of America for 1973, according to Doug Blankenship, Chairman of the Board of Advisors for the national awards publication...

A long-time member of the Air University Library staff, Miss Florentine Oltman, retired June 30 after 30 years of government service. She was librarian at Eagle Lake High School in the late 1930s...

Mr. & Mrs. Tom E. Austin celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary Sunday, July 29, and were honorees at a dinner at the Community Center...

Mr. & Mrs. Eugene Gay of Eagle Lake are the proud parents of a baby boy born at 1:55 p.m. Monday, July 23, in the Eagle Lake Community Hospital. The little man weighed 8 pounds and was 19 inches long. He has been named Joseph Walter...

Mesdames Harland Bell, C.E. Everitt and O.L. Mill of Eagle Lake and Mrs. Majorie Giraud of Ft. Worth returned from a three-week, 6900 mile vacation trip on Saturday, July 28...

Frank Sherrer, manager of the CPL office in Eagle Lake, is back on duty after a vacation...

Eunice Walker, manager of the Sears Catalog Sales Store in Eagle Lake, is on vacation this week and Debra Schmidt is assisting Mary Canaris in her absence...

If you haven't had the opportunity to visit Dorothy Baker's Merle Norman Studio at 208 West Main, you'll be pleasantly surprised at the attractiveness of the community's newest business...

John Ashton, a former Eagle Lake High School gridiron great and later with Blinn Junior College and Tulsa University, is now with the New England Patriots and was seen in action in the Hall of Fame game on television, last Saturday afternoon...

Craig Erickson of Garwood provided the drawing for the Eye Witness News TV weather report at 10 p.m. last Thursday evening...

Guests for the week-end with Mr. & Mrs. Charles Spalinger and Susan were her parents, Mr. & Mrs. Irvine Harland of New Braunfels, and Rusty Spalinger, a student at

Southwest Texas State University in San Marcos.

Oct. 5, 1950

Tommy Pilkington spent most of the time last Friday reminding the QB's of the breakfast Monday morning—then forgot to come himself...

There are nine students from Eagle Lake enrolled in Wharton County Junior College this year. They are: Frank Tate, John Walker, Hugh James Cosgrove, Frank Alvarado, Bennie Contreras, Stanley White, Pedro Rodriguez, John Henry Perry and Raymond Fernandez...

Congratulations are due to Mr. & Mrs. Wilbert Kucherka on the arrival of their first child, Wilbert David Jr., who was born Sept. 30th...

Jack Grieves, who got a bad cut on his upper lip in a fall at the store last week, is getting along all right. The stitches have not yet been removed...

Little Miss Virginia Ann Clipson celebrated her third birthday last Saturday afternoon at the home of her parents, Mr. & Mrs. Richard Clipson. Party guests were Johnny and Marilyn Meitzen, Regina Powell, Christine Cauthon, Steve Balas, Susan and Johnny Davidson Barbara Boggess, Carmen Parker, John Paul Parker and Richard Clipson...

L.J. Rosprim, local vocational agriculture instructor, and Bill Kopecky, East Bernard ag instructor, were in Rosenberg last night to sift calves at the livestock show of the Fort Bend County Fair...

Mr. & Mrs. L.J. Spanihel have moved into the Hayes Stephens home formerly occupied by the J.B. Westons family.

'First Place...Plus' rescheduled at First Baptist

A First Place program has been rescheduled to begin Oct. 20 at First Baptist Church in Eagle Lake. First Place is a weight loss program with an individual Bible Study involved.

Meetings will be held once a week. The "plus" of the program will be an exercise session following the meeting.

The orientation session for First Place was held Tuesday, Sept. 20, in the fellowship hall at 7 p.m.

John 10:10 says: "I have come that they may have life, and have it to the fullest." "Life" becomes "living" when Christ has first place. Abundant living means you are in good condition spiritually, physically, mentally and emotionally...and that's what First Place is all about.

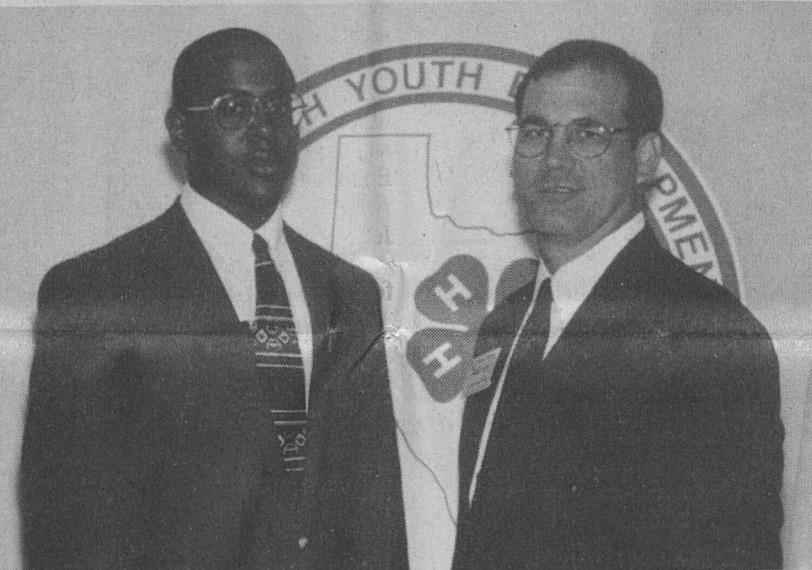
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If you would like more information on the program, contact Vicki Powers at 234-3238.



Cook meets with 4-H

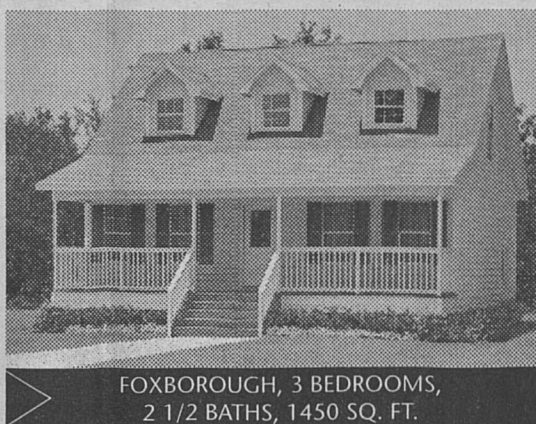
State Representative Robert L. "Robby" Cook (D-Eagle Lake) joined Texas 4-H Congress delegates and 4-H Foundation Board of Trustees during 4-H Congress held in Austin in July. 4-H Council Member Jay Knight of Eagle Lake met with Cook during the mock Congressional session held by 4-H delegates.

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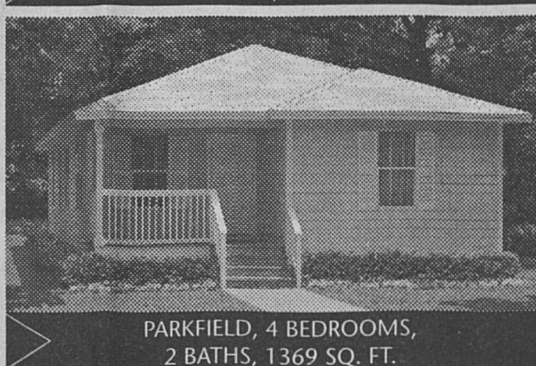
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Chamber of Commerce reports recent meeting

By Lana Dulany
Chamber Secretary

The regular business meeting of the Eagle Lake Chamber of Commerce was held Monday, Sept. 21, at Taco Tony's Restaurant.

Directors present were President Sam Thomson, Treasurer Betsy Glaiser, Mary Ann Kaluza, Don Bendy, Sandy Bendy, Connie Gertson, J.W. Shavers, Jean Wiese, Dr. Leonard Bornstein and David Keith.

Others present were W.H. Harrison Sr., John Canaris, Ronnie Sedgwick, Dan Harrell and Lana Dulany, secretary.

The meeting was called to order by President Thomson at 12:15 p.m.

Minutes from the meeting of Aug. 17 were reviewed and approved.

The Treasurer's Report through Sept. 21 was reviewed and approved. President Thomson welcomed all present and introduced Mr. Dan Harrell, new administrator of Heritage House Nursing Home.

Thomson announced new members to the Chamber: Berger Ranch (Russell Pagel and Lisa Berger).

President Thomson distributed a letter from Dr. Red Duke, declining the invitation to serve as guest speaker for the Annual Chamber Banquet. Thomson turned the task of locating a speaker back over to the Banquet Committee. Discussion followed on possible celebrity speakers.

John Canaris reported raffle ticket sales are continuing on the Chamber Shotgun Raffle.

Thomson reported on Festival and park development activity.

Mr. W.H. Harrison distributed an old photo of Eagle Lake to all present and treated the Board and guests with the following history:

In 1872 local Masons requested permission of the Grand Lodge of

Texas to open a Masonic Lodge in Eagle Lake. Permission was granted and the following year Eagle Lake Lodge #366 Ancient Free and Accepted Masons was organized. The lodge met for a long time in a wood frame downtown building.

In 1911, at the cost of \$45, the lodge bought property on McCarty Street for construction of a two-story building. They contracted with George W. Keeton to construct the new lodge building for a cost of \$5,000. The lodge later sold part of their adjoining property to J. David with the stipulations that he not construct anything but a one-story building next to the lodge hall and that no alcoholic beverages be sold from his establishment.

The Masonic building was remodeled and air-conditioned in 1959 at a cost of \$14,000 and the first floor rented to the Central Power and Light Company.

Mr. Harrison stated he will be presenting histories on other buildings in Eagle Lake and he and Leslie Matthews are working together on a book about historical buildings in Eagle Lake.

David Keith reported on progress with the Assisted Living Project. If anyone has driven by the area, survey stakes can be seen. Paperwork is proceeding and, if all goes well, groundbreaking should take place in Jan. 1999.

The hospital is continuing to recruit physicians.

Keith reports the soccer league is doing great with over 70 kids (ages 18 to 5) participating. Mr. Keith thanked all local businesses for financial support of the league. Twenty businesses were approached, all but one participated.

Ronnie Sedgwick reported on stu-

dies being conducted to return sugarcane farming to the area.

Don Bendy updated the Board on progress of the new prison. Sandy Bendy added that the land (over 100

acres) for the facility has been purchased.

There being no further business, President Thomson adjourned the meeting.



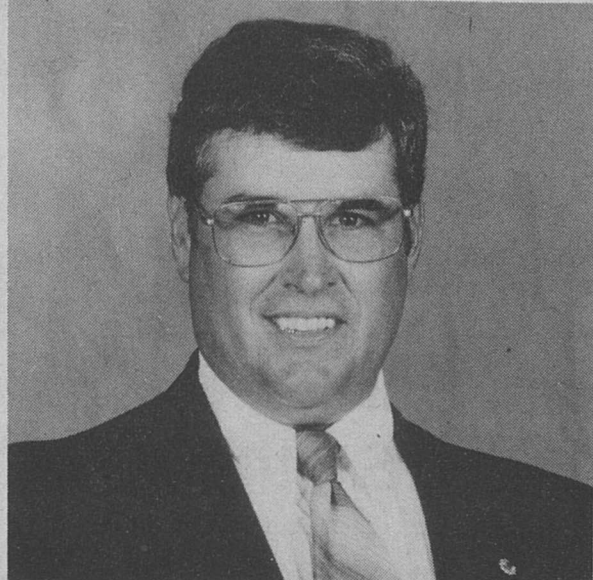
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Marsalia
Family reunion
held Sept. 26

The 4th annual Marsalia Reunion was held in Mentz Saturday, Sept. 26.

Those in attendance from out of town and Eagle Lake were:

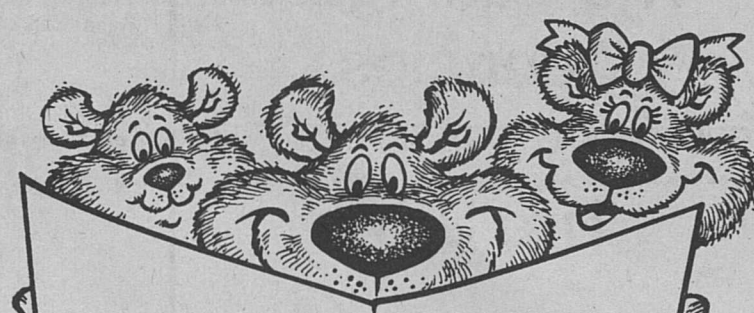
Wayne and Thelma Marsalia, Gene and Mary Lou Spalek, Bill and Shirley Wilkerson, Randy and Betty Baish, Rebecca and Matthew, Dennis and Francis Jewell, Jeanie and Dolly Marsalia;

Also, Roy Cranek and Wanda Henry, Robert and Melanie Marsalia, James and Boots Jewell, Neal Marsalia and Sierra, Leslie Wilkerson, Debbie Taylor, Terrie Lynn Perry and daughter, Lloyd and Sylvia Jewell and Lydia Mae Simpson.



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