

OBITUARY

Ruby Lee Hirschbock

June 13, 1919 - November 8, 1998

Ruby Lee Hirschbock, 79, of Eagle Lake, formerly of El Campo, passed away Sunday, November 8, 1998, at 8:25 p.m. at Rice Medical Center in Eagle Lake.

She was born June 13, 1919, in El Campo, one of 10 children born to E.S. and Mary Edith Martin Horton.

Hirschbock was a resident of El Campo, Wharton County, for most of her life and a resident of Eagle Lake for almost 30 years.

She was a member of the First Baptist Church of Eagle Lake and had

been a resident of Eagle Lake's Heritage House Nursing Home since 1989.

Ruby was preceded in death by her parents; five brothers and sisters; her husband, Richard Carl Hirschbock (1963); daughter, Doris Dear (1994); granddaughter, Karen Cranford; and great grandson, Howard Lee Dear.

Survivors include a daughter, Jean Cranford of Eagle Lake; son, Kenneth Lloyd Cranford of Eddy; sisters, Ura Miller of Eagle Lake and Curero and Mildred Gottschald of Sheridan; brothers, L.B. Horton of Dallas and

Eugene Horton of El Campo; seven grandchildren; nine great-grandchildren; a host of nieces; nephews; other relatives and loved ones.

Funeral services were scheduled for Wednesday, November 11, at 1 p.m. from the Chapel of Dulany Funeral Home. Rev. Brent Beasley, Pastor, First Baptist Church of Eagle Lake, and Rev. David Mann, former pastor of First Baptist, now with the Coastal Plains Baptist Area, were to officiate.

Interment was to follow in Garden of Memories Cemetery, El Campo.

Arrangements were under the direction of Dulany Funeral Home in Eagle Lake.

Scheduled pallbearers were Michael and Norman Horton; Wallace Beck; Jeffery Cranford; Mike Ware; Martin Herman and Vernon Miller.

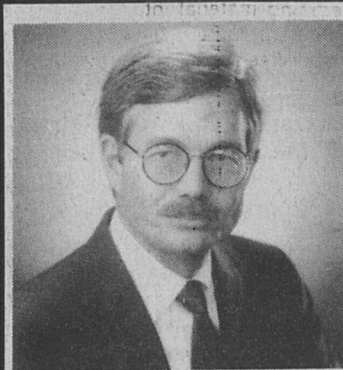
The family requests memorial donations be made to the charity of your choice.

Sympathy is extended to the family in their loss.

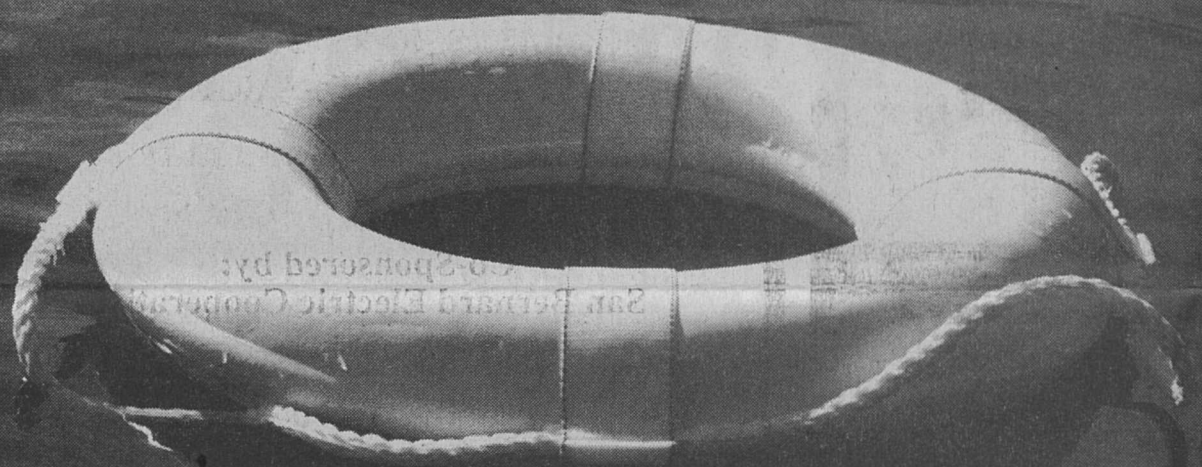
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Alleyton's wartime role, new Museum exhibit

Today, Alleyton is a pleasant, unhurried village with shady streets and a historical marker guarding its entrance from Hwy. 102 between Eagle Lake and Columbus.

However, its status was markedly different in 1861-65, when this community was one of the most populated in the area with hustle and bustle in

style, with busy rail and trail traffic, and with commercial and military activities galore.

Why? This was because Alleyton was a major player in the Cotton Road as the "backdoor" to the Confederate States of America (CSA) and one of its major lifelines to support its crusade to exist as an independent nation. The

Yankee blockade had cut off its ocean-going trade. So the next best way for the CSA to swap cotton with foreign agents for military supplies was at the Mexican border.

Alleyton just happened to be strategically located at the western terminal of the BBB&C (Buffalo Bayou, Brazos, & Colorado Railroad), at that time the only railroad operating west of the Mississippi. At this vantage point cotton bales from western plantations were laboriously transferred from railcars to team-drawn wagons for delivery to Mexican border buyers.

Likewise, purchased military and other imported supplies arriving from the Rio Grande Valley were transferred from wagons to railcars to be sent eastward to battle fronts and CSA agencies. No doubt this operation and the governmental red tape involved required a large staff and labor force. Alleyton gained fame as a transfer point on the Confederate "Cotton Road".

A new exhibit, just opened at Eagle Lake's Prairie Edge Museum (PEM), explains and even glamorizes the strategic military importance of this Colorado County community during the years when Texas was a part of the CSA. Alleyton was never bombarded by enemy gunfire, but its commercial role in this ill-fated period in American history was surely as important to the CSA war effort as was Galveston and other defending coastal centers subjected to real Yankee harassment.

The exhibit includes a display of 19th century artifacts collected by Historical Archaeologist Dr. Shawn Bonath Carlson from excavations made in 1996 along Center Street where the railway station existed in Alleyton's heyday. William H. Harrison's 1993 book entitled *Alleyton, Texas "Back Door to the Confederacy"* provided additional authentic details. Harrison, an Alleyton native and also a museum curator, joined with his colleague Rollin Baker in mounting the exhibit.

PEM is open free of charge to the public each weekday morning from 9 a.m. to 12 noon and on Saturday and Sunday from 2 to 5 p.m.

LIBRARY LINES

This is an invitation to you and other area residents to "check out" some new library equipment.

The Eula and David Wintermann Library now has a new microfilm reader-printer available to patrons who want to read microfilm and print out copies.

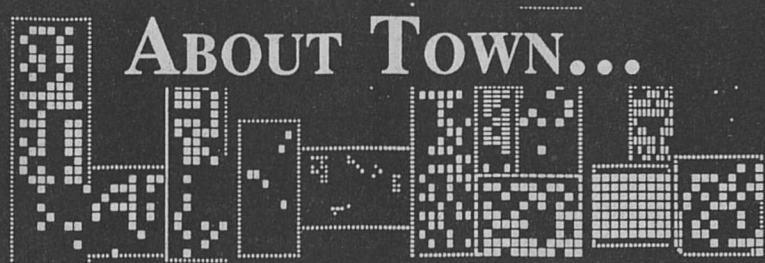
The charge to make copies is 15¢ a page.

Just a reminder... the Library has Internet access for patrons who want to "surf" the Net.

The computers also have word processing for typing letters, resumes, research papers, etc.

Library hours are Monday-Friday, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Saturday-9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

It's your library... make use of it!



•Shane Glaiser, a member of the Round Rock Fire Department and son of Betsy and Gary Glaiser of Eagle Lake, was named "Firefighter of the Year".

Lynn Bizzell, fire chief, said, "He is the type of individual that every organization, whether a fire department or a corporation, would be proud to have. He has a can-do attitude and a

great work ethic."

Glaiser joined the department in 1995 and was promoted to driver in June.

When a call for help came from San Marcos during the flooding in Oct., Glaiser was the first to volunteer to go, Bizzell said.

Congratulations to Shane. We're all proud of you!!

•Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Hurd Sr. celebrated their birthdays Saturday, Nov. 7, at Didner Hall.

Their children, grandchildren, family and friends from Eagle Lake, Houston, Dallas, Texas City and surrounding areas came to help them celebrate.

The festivities included a barbecue meal with all the trimmings along with cake.

May God bless all those who helped celebrate and may the Hurds be blessed with many more birthdays.



Kyle Steven Navarro

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Navarro of Eagle Lake are pleased to announce the birth of their third child, a son, born November 7, 1998, at 7:38 p.m. at Gulf Coast Medical Center in Wharton.

Kyle Steven weighed eight pounds, 10 ounces.

He was welcomed home by his brother, Matthew, age eight, and sister, Samantha, age two.

Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Jesus Leal Jr. of Garwood.

Paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Mateo Navarro of Eagle Lake.

Great grandparents are Aurelia Leal of Glen Flora and Atilano Cardenas Sr. of Eagle Lake.

His mother is the former Rebecca Leal.

Expo

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Chamber's current efforts are geared toward tourism, with special emphasis on the area's famous hunting assets.

Denise Delgado, Secretary of the Weimar Chamber of Commerce, says that Chamber includes 110 members and was established in the 1920s. Its current agenda includes work on the Hometown Holidays, one of Weimar's two major annual events. The Chamber's parade float was recently updated at a cost of \$6,000. The float won first place in the Czhilspiel Festival competition.

All three chambers will be participating in the upcoming Colorado County Business Expo '98 to be held Saturday, Nov. 14, at the Columbus KC Hall from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Please don't miss it!

SHERIDAN LIBRARY NEWS

The Sheridan Library Board hosted an Appreciation Dinner for its 90 Friends members Thursday, Nov. 5, at 6 p.m. at the Community Center.

Board Chairman Zelda Walker recognized Kay Parham as the 1998 Volunteer of the Year.

Mrs. Parham was in charge of the summer reading program for youngsters, K-6 grade. Her name was added to the library plaque for services rendered to the library.

After Walker gave the welcome, Ruth Brisco led the pledge, followed by the blessing by Natalie Dupre.

The meal consisted of five various

soups, assorted sandwiches and desserts. Tea and coffee topped it off.

Following the meal, Library Director Lillian Gohlke gave a resume of the library year.

Mary Lou Criswell recognized the library board.

Patsy Fuller and Ed Parham were in charge of the door prizes.

Loretta McCloud will serve as the new Friends president for 1999.

Forty-four Friends attended.

The library received book donations from Bill Stein, Eddie Ray and (See Library, Page 6)

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nounced that they have sold Fay's Restaurant in Altair to Mr. & Mrs. August Cervenka of East Bernard...

Six young Eagle Lake men were called last week by the Draft Board for physicals. They were Carl Wm. Seaholm Jr., Melvin Selph, Alonzo Flowers, Arthur Singleton, Norvel King and Philip Reggins...

Melvin Selph was chosen as escort for one of Southwest Texas State Teachers' College beauty queens at the Homecoming dance last Saturday night. His parents, Mr. & Mrs. M.E. Selph, and daughter Janice, Nancy Pape and Grace Adkins attended the homecoming festivities...

Although the new Shell Station on Main Street is not ready yet for the formal opening, Victor Mascheck is doing business there now. Final touches are being done and the formal opening date should be real soon...

In one of those "fruit-basket turnover" moves during the past week, the

I.G. Tetsch family moved into their new home on Highway 90-A; Mr. & Mrs. R.P. Wilcox Jr. moved into the McMillan house formerly occupied by the Tetsches; and Mr. & Mrs. Joe Reed and daughter moved into the house vacated by the Wilcoxes...

Elnor Seaholm, baby son of Mr. & Mrs. Gardner Seaholm, was christened Sunday morning in services at the Colly Memorial Methodist Church...

Friends will be glad to learn that Mrs. Albert Pustejovsky has returned to her home after a stay in the Laughlin Hospital. She is reported to be getting along fine...

The Lissie 4-H Boys' Club will have their calf sale on the square Saturday morning. There are five calves this year. They were fed and cared for by Victor Ray Corman, Lester Herman, Everett Anderson, Claud Briggs and James Adkins. Sponsors for the club are the Rev. Robert O. Tupper and J.L. Adkins...

Mr. & Mrs. W.M. Thomas Sr. returned Monday night from a 10-day stay in Dallas where Mr. Thomas was doing his bit for the promotion of rice at the Rice Exhibit at the State Fair. Mrs. Thomas said she knew the fairgrounds "by heart" and believed she was in every downtown store in Dallas by the time they came home...

Talk about Floradora Girls of the old times. They can't hold a candle to Joe Frazier, Miles Theuman or "Shoot" Dromgoole. They didn't waste a minute of the music during the C. of C. shindig the other night...

Mr. & Mrs. J.M. Hall of De Queen, Ark., have announced the marriage of their daughter, Miss Omega Hall, to Bernie Dale Rutherford, son of Mr. & Mrs. C.A. Rutherford of Eagle Lake...

Jesse James, 7-year-old stallion from the B.D. Fussell farm, is rated No. 2 in the nation after being judged Grand Champion in the cutting horse contest of the 52nd annual American Royal Horse Show in Kansas City, Mo., last Friday night.

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LATIN-AMERICAN ASSEMBLY OF GOD (Belen de Judea Mision): 1000 East E, Eagle Lake; Ruth Olvera, Pastor.
SEALY ASSEMBLY OF GOD: 1140 Meyer St., Sealy; Warren Richardson, Pastor.
THE DAY OF PENTECOST APOSTOLIC REVIVAL: FM 102 S, Matthews, 4 p.m. (at Mt. Zion). Rev. R.L. Carter.
GREATER NEW FAITH CHURCH: 6406 Guyler, Wallis; Rev. Clay Spears. 409-478-2169.
EAST BERNARD FIRST BAPTIST: Rev. Clifford Roser.
FIRST BAPTIST: N. Lake at E. Prairie, Eagle Lake.
FRIENDSHIP BAPTIST: 405 S. Lake, Eagle Lake; Rev. Earl Shorter, Jr., Pastor; 234-5795.
IGLESIA BAUTISTA GETSEMANI: 901 B Street, Eagle Lake; Rev. Mario Vasquez.
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ROCK ISLAND BAPTIST: Bob Allison, Pastor.
SHERIDAN FIRST BAPTIST
WHITE CLOUD BAPTIST CHURCH: 202 Old Altair Rd., Eagle Lake; Rev. Obie Rhodes; 234-3800.
CHURCH OF CHRIST: Sheridan, Texas.
NEW LIFE FELLOWSHIP: Hwy. 90A, Sheridan; Del Sanford, Pastor; 234-3276.

CHRIST OUR REDEEMER - Charismatic; 478-7534, 478-6512, Jerry C. McKinney, Pastor.
HOLY CROSS CATHOLIC CHURCH: East Bernard.
CATHOLIC PARISH OF THE NATIVITY: Our Lady of Perpetual Help Sanctuary; 308 N. Stevenson; 7 a.m. (Español), 9 a.m., 11 a.m., Rev. Eddie Winkler, 310 N. Stevenson, 409-234-2842.
ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC CHURCH: Box 97, Nada, 758-3218. Rev. Joseph Koebel, Pastor.
CHRIST EPISCOPAL: 306 E. Stockbridge.
EAGLE LAKE GOSPEL MISSION: Erik Cameron, 234-3225.
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LEHRER MEMORIAL UNITED METHODIST: Garwood, Texas. Rev. Barry Bauerschlag, Pastor.
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ROCK ISLAND METHODIST: Ken Sellers Jr., Lay-Pastor.
UNITED METHODIST: Barry Bauerschlag, Pastor. 200 W. Prairie; Sunday School 9:30 a.m.; Worship 10:45 a.m.
FIRST PRESBYTERIAN: 106 E. State Street, Eagle Lake; 234-3368.
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