

Sulak, Luedecke exchange vows in Wharton

Faith Anne Sulak and Tim Christian Luedecke Jr. were united in marriage at 1 p.m., Saturday, July 31, 1999.

Pastor Michael B. Atherton officiated at the double ring ceremony held at Christ Is Life Church in Wharton.

Faith is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alan Sulak of East Bernard.

Tim Jr. is the son of Tim Luedecke of Eagle Lake and Judy Stewart of Houston.

Mr. Stephen Hlavinka, cousin of the bride, was the vocalist. Selections included "The Wedding Song," "Violin Romance" and "Spring".

The bride was escorted to the altar by her parents.

She wore a sleeveless satin and lace gown decorated with pearls and sequins. To complete her ensemble, the bride selected an open-style headpiece of bridal pearls with shoulder length illusion.

Faith's bouquet consisted of white roses, light pink spray roses, baby's breath and English ivy.

Sarah Haedge and Sherri Schneider of East Bernard served as the maids of honor.

Bridesmaids were Lori Stavena of East Bernard and Kristie Luedecke of Rosenberg, sister of the groom.

Hannah Haedge of East Bernard served as the flower girl.

Bridal attendants wore teal illusion dresses with low back lines. Each

carried band-tied bouquets consisting of an assortment of lilies.

The best man was Michael Arthur of Eagle Lake.

Groomsmen were Matt Crum of Wharton, Brian Hadley of Eagle Lake and Clint Mueller of El Campo.

David Stewart of Houston, brother of the groom, served as the ring bearer.

After the wedding, the couple spent their honeymoon in San Antonio.

They will reside in Eagle Lake.

Faith is a 1999 graduate of East

Bernard High School and is currently enrolled in Wharton County Junior College majoring in nursing.

Tim Jr. is a 1997 graduate of Rice High School. He attended Gus George Police Academy and is studying further for his law enforcement career.



Mr. and Mrs. Tim Christian Luedecke Jr.

Great Methodist Gathering is Oct. 9

At least 15 Eagle Lake residents are to attend the largest single United Methodist assembly in history Oct. 9 in San Antonio.

The members of Eagle Lake United Methodist Church are to join at least 20,000 others in the Alamodome for the Great Methodist Gathering.

The free event, first of its kind for the United Methodist Church, is drawing participants from across Southwest Texas.

The day-long spiritual pep rally is to launch a regional effort by United Methodists to share the gospel with friends and neighbors who aren't part of a church.

Theme for the rally, sponsored by the denomination's Southwest Texas Conference, is "Forging disciples for the 21st Century". Participants are to:

- Celebrate what God has done through the United Methodist Church.
- Receive power from the Holy Spirit for future witnessing.

•Be commissioned to bring at least one new person to Christ each year for the rest of their lives.

The 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. program includes music by a 1,300-voice choir of Southwest Texas United Methodists, an orchestra, praise bands and small vocal ensembles. Concurrent activities are scheduled for elementary-age youngsters, high school students and adults.

Three featured preachers are to deliver the main messages:

- Bishop Leontine T.C. Kelly, retired leader of the denomination's San

Francisco Episcopal Area.

•The Rev. H. Eddie Fox, evangelism director for the World Methodist Council.

•The Rev. Kirbyjon H. Caldwell, senior pastor of Windsor Village and St. John's United Methodist Churches, two fast-growing congregations in Houston.

Six lay witnesses are to deliver 12-minute talks about what God is doing in their lives.

Additional Great Methodist Gathering information is available at <http://www.umcswtx.org/gmg/gmg.htm>.

CPL hosts planning session

Central Power and Light (CPL) will host an Economic Development Planning session Thursday, Oct. 14, at the Eagle Lake Community Center.

Dale Fowler of CPL's Economic Development group will facilitate the three-hour session which will start at 6:30 p.m. and end around 9:30.

In 1995, a group of citizens came together to help the community focus on the future economic viability of Eagle Lake. The Oct. 14 meeting is intended as an opportunity to re-evaluate the plan in order to realign efforts for the years to come.

To help the community focus on their mission, participants will review the goals that have already been at-

tained and either set new goals or recommit to existing ones.

In addition, those challenges that have been overcome will be removed from the list generated by the 1995 session.

The remainder of the time will be spent supplementing the 1995 slate of community strengths that should be marketed.

Community members are invited to take part in the planning for the future economic development efforts of Eagle Lake.

Interested persons may contact Susan Wilkerson, CPL Customer Service Associate, at 409-541-4629 in El Campo for more details.

Living Hope Church hosts Guatemalan pastor

Rev. Julio Sosa, a pastor from Guatemala, was the special guest at Living Hope Church in Eagle Lake Tuesday night, Aug. 31.

Rev. Sosa preached to a full house and led the congregation in Spanish

worship songs.

Sosa, his wife Ruth, and three children have ministered for the last 20 years in the town of Huehuetenango in the western part of Guatemala.

Sosa spoke through Living Hope cell leader Martha Yanez who acted as his interpreter. Sosa preached from the Acts Chapter 9 story of the Apostle Paul's that day on the road, "Lord what would you have me to do." He explained that our lives really begin to change, and really begin to mean something when our prayers turn from ritual, and turn from selfishness to "Thy will be done" prayer.


Living Hope Pastor Joe Fling said, "The sermon concluded with an invitation for all those who wanted to pray like that to come forward, and scores of people answered God's call to follow him in a deeper way. The church was truly touched. We did no advertising, no publicity of any kind, but our people got the word out, and we had one of the largest crowds that we have ever had. I believe that Brother Sosa's ministry here has affected our people in a way that will impact our community for Christ for months to come."

This was Rev. Sosa's first visit to Eagle Lake in six years, and commented on the vibrant growth in the church and the maturity shown by the ministry at Living Hope. Sosa spent three days here, also ministering in Living Hope's cell meeting on Wednesday evening. Sosa's ministry includes reaching into several Indian tribes and a large church school. Sosa's church also ministers over the radio.

Living Hope contributes to the support of nine mission workers ranging from Colorado County to Africa, Latin America and the Far East.

The dynamic aspect of the program is that each missionary has personally visited Living Hope.

Each missionary was chosen by Living Hope by a clear word from God to support them and their coming to Eagle Lake is based on personal relationship with Living Hope rather than assignment by a missions board.




Foot Facts

By Dr. Eric R. Tepper, Podiatrist
INGROWN TOENAIL

An ingrown toenail develops when the nail's edge grows into the skin of the toe. The skin around the toenail can become red and infected if dirt or sweat enter the area. An infection causes the skin at the nail's tip or side to become red, swollen, and tender. Sometimes a small amount of pus exits the area. Ingrown toenails can occur on any toe but usually affect the big toe. Curved toenails, improperly trimmed nails, or poorly fitting shoes can lead to ingrown toenails. If the toe becomes infected, soaking it frequently in warm, soapy water is recommended. Serious infections often require antibiotics. In chronic or severe cases, surgery is done to remove part or all of the nail.

Ingrown toenails very often occur from improper trimming, but poor foot structure, heredity, injury, and infection can be contributing factors. Whatever is causing your feet to hurt, we hope you'll turn to the best, most dedicated, professional foot care available. At our office here at Rice Medical Center, we offer foot care for the family, in an atmosphere of calm, compassionate concern. Please call 234-5571 for a Tuesday appointment.

P.S. To prevent ingrown toenails, cut nails straight across without tapering the corners.

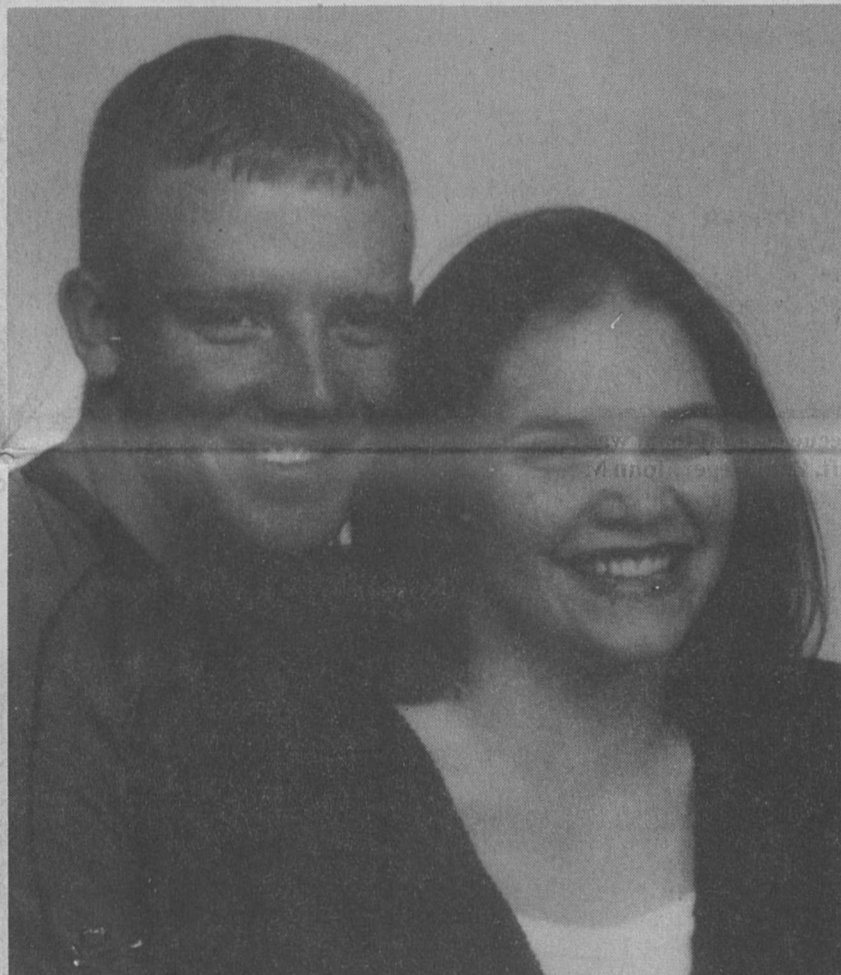


Did You Know...

•Sporting dogs like the Golden Retriever and the Irish Setter follow a scent in the air. Hounds follow a scent on the ground.

•If the fat on a piece of beef is tinged with yellow, it usually indicates that the steer was grass-fed.

•The lowlands of the moon are called "maria", and are classified as seas, marshes and bays. There is also one "lake" and one "ocean".



Briscoe, Nickels announce engagement

Charles and Margaret Briscoe of Angleton, formerly of Eagle Lake, are proud to announce the engagement of their daughter, Jessica Nicole, to David Michael Nickels, son of Jennifer Nickels of Orono, Maine.

The bride-elect is a 1997 graduate of Rice High School and will graduate in May 2000 with a B.A. in Psychology from Saint Edward's University in Austin.

The groom-elect is a 1996 graduate of Orono Senior High School in Orono, Maine. He has just completed service time in the United States Army and will begin undergraduate courses in the fall of 2000.

The couple plan an evening wedding in the gardens of the Vista at Seward Hill in Austin on December 18, 1999.

A honeymoon has been planned for the Eastern Caribbean upon the Carnival Cruise's Destiny.

They are considering Bangor, Maine, as the location of their future home together.



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MILITARY NEWS

Russell B. Thomas

...son of R. Russell and Robin E. Thomas of Eagle Lake, recently completed the cadet basic training program at the U.S. Military Academy, West Point, N.Y.

The training is designed to form new academy cadets into disciplined soldier-officers possessing personal pride, confidence, obedience to command orders, and dedication to duty.

During the six-week rigorous program, the cadet was trained in basic military skills, rifle marksmanship, field tactical maneuvers, physical fitness and endurance, military courtesy, drill and ceremonies, and academic instruction.

After completing the basic training program, the cadet is accepted into the U.S. Corps of Cadets at the academy.

Consequently, upon graduating from the academy, the cadet receives a bachelor's degree and is commissioned as a second lieutenant in the Army.

Thomas is a 1999 graduate of Rice High School.