

Let's Look Back...

24 & 48 YEARS AGO

Nov. 4, 1976

Homecoming nominees are **Monica Hoffman, Merry Hill, Brenda Kallina, Darlene Sewell, and Julia Thomas**...

Fifty-six year old **Thomas Juarez** received serious injuries when he was

struck by a car on Oct. 27...

Jimmy Carter and **Walter Mondale** were elected as president and vice president respectively. While closer to home, **Donald Bendy** won the county attorney's race.

The badly burned body found in

the charred ruins of the **Ray (Jiggs) Graves** home, following a fire on Friday of last week, has been identified as that of Mr. Graves...

Mr. & Mrs. Frank Kazmiersky Sr. will celebrate their 60th wedding anniversary Sunday, Nov. 7...

The Eagle Lake Recreation Center Clubhouse was the setting for a Lingerie Shower on Oct. 28 honoring **Miss Gail New**, bride-elect of **Darrell**

Gertson...

In an impressive double wedding which took place in the Holy Cross Catholic Church in East Bernard Aug. 28, **Miss Mary Kay Marek** became the bride of **Tony Michael Williams** and **Miss Sharon Fay Marek** pledged wedding vows with **Donald Ray Taylor**...

Colly Memorial United Methodist Church was the setting for the candle-

light double ring wedding ceremony uniting **Miss Karen Euers** and **Russell Alan Konesheck** on Oct. 16...

Miss Edna Rosprim of Eagle Lake was a member of the 24th graduating class of **Polly Ryon Memorial School of Vocational Nursing**. She is the daughter of **Mrs. Lewis Rosprim** of this city and the late **Mr. Rosprim**...

Gayla Industries, one of America's leading toy manufacturers, is planning to open a plant in East Bernard. They currently have plants in California, Tennessee, Canada and Houston.

Oct. 9, 1952

Fire razed the **Rice Theatre** building. A larger disaster was averted by the efficient work of Eagle Lake Fire Department. The theatre was a complete loss. The **Strickland Insurance Agency** office was also damaged...

First place winners in the fire poster contest were: grades 1 and 2,

Brenda Jean Wright; 3 and 4, **Frances Sunderman**; 5 and 6, **Dick Richter**; and 7 and 8, **John Matthews**...

The rate increase for natural gas was approved here...

Leon Simank was elected head of Student Council for 1952-53 term...

Master Sgt. **James Cash** is in the States after a year in Korea...

Attending Southwest University are **Thomas George Wilcox** and **Jeanette Causey**...

Local FFAers were guests at the Dallas State Fair: **Harry Anderson, Walter Meitzen, Roger Addicks, Melvin Campbell, Charles Harris, Heyne Dromgoole, Kenneth Perry, Herman Zickel, Curtis Braddock, Toribio Barela, Hugh Lilly and David Smith**. They were accompanied by **B.D. Anderson** and chapter advisor **L.J. and Mrs. Rosprim**...

The Eagles copped their first win of the season over **Katy 8 to 7**; a safety was the difference.

PJs

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Thomas is working hard on fund raising (we raise funds to provide a t-shirt to every child involved and the entire cast and crew with a pizza party at the end of the production). Every parent is involved in some way, either backstage or in the front of the house.

Keep these dates free: Saturday, Nov. 18, at 7 p.m.; and Sunday, Nov. 19, 4 p.m. Join us at the **Prairie Edge Museum**; adults, \$2; children under 12, \$1; and reserved seats are \$5.

For further information, call **Deborah Reed** at 979-234-2601.

Do you have unclaimed property?

Texas Comptroller **Carole Keeton Rylander**'s annual Unclaimed Property List appeared in Texas newspapers Sunday, Oct. 22, bringing thousands of hard-working families and business owners some good news: the state wants to give them money.

"This year's Unclaimed Property List contains a record 130,163 new names of unclaimed property owners who have more than \$68 million coming to them," Rylander said. "Everyone whose name appears on the list has at least \$100 coming to them, or maybe some stock or the contents of a forgotten safe deposit box."

"These are names of only the unclaimed property owners who have been reported to the state within the last year," Rylander said. "Altogether, the state is holding more than \$786 million that rightfully belongs to Texas families and business owners, and I want to give it back."

Comptroller Rylander urged all Texans to look for their name on the list and to also check the more extensive unclaimed property data base on her web site at <www.window.state.tx.us/up/> to see whether the state is holding any unclaimed property for them.

Unclaimed property can be anything from an uncollected paycheck, to a forgotten utility deposit or a long-dormant bank account. The law requires businesses and financial institutions to turn unclaimed assets over to the state after three to five years, if the owners cannot be found.

Some examples of what is being held by the state include: uncashed checks, \$133,049,282; dormant bank

accounts, \$96,328,760; insurance, \$105,902,491; utility funds, \$12,012,587; royalties, \$43,867,474; unclaimed wages, \$26,578,025; other assets, \$364,398,610.

"While the state holds this money, it is used to help pay for state services, such as public education. But it belongs to its rightful owners forever, and I would much rather see it go into the owners' pockets, that into a state vault," Comptroller Rylander said. "During Fiscal Year 2000, I returned more than \$49 million in unclaimed property to its rightful owners."

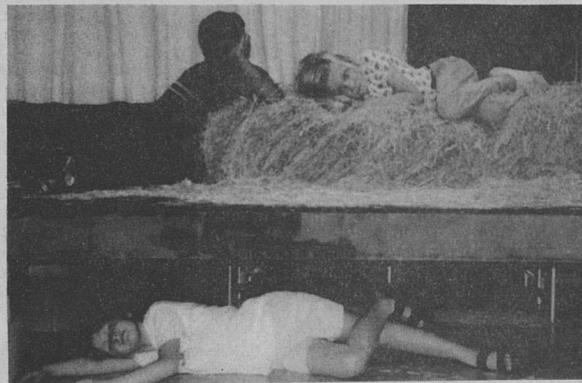
If you do not have access to the internet, call the Comptroller's office at 1-800-654-3463 for a free search to see if the state is holding any unclaimed property in your name.

Names from this area: **Alleyton:** Judy M. Rodriguez, Leonard Schreiber; **Altair:** Mattie Scott; **Columbus:** All Am Inc., Roy A. Baker, Todd Barfield, David Bingham, Charles B. Boone, J.W. Brown, Arlene Brune, Roy Carpenter, Columbus Community Hospital, Columbus Eye Associates, Columbus Ford Mercury, R.E. Cummings, Ted J. Fritsch, Karin Glueck Jr., John Henk, Cynthia Marie Hill, Birdie Holland, Richard McCabe, Arylne L. Mikeska, Anton R. Mikulenka, Alvin Thomas Raetzsch Jr., Frank Saunders, Alice Tait, George R/Carolyn Taylor, Janette L. Vinson, Hsae Vang You, Charles Zatopek;

Eagle Lake: Eugene/Dorothy Baker, Harold/Patricia Boone, Armando Cabral, Eagle Lake Community, Diane F. Gerkey, Albert Hounshell, Mary Lou Jackson, Lawrence F. Lipp (See Unclaimed, Page 7)



These youngsters know that practice makes perfect. In front, from left, are **Mallory Thomas, Allyssa Young, Megan Hosman, Katie Hassin, Chelsea McGrew, Brenna Lucas** and **Taylor Gannon**.



Looking tuckered out are **Javier Rios, Katie Hassin** and **Shaina Bowen** (under the platform). Photos Courtesy of **Deborah Reed**

Holiday Gifts Galore!

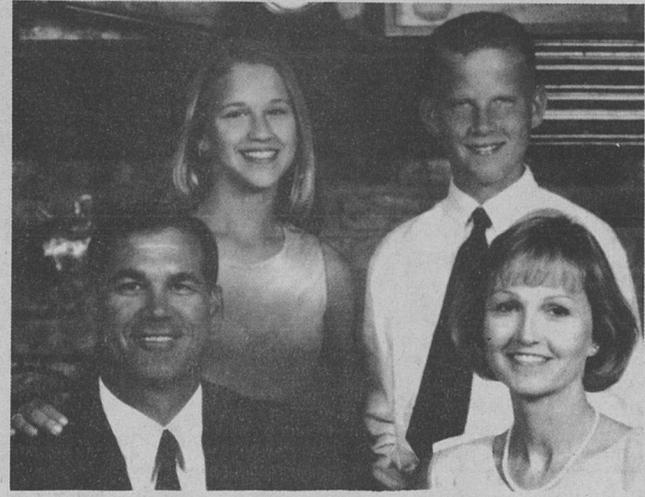
HOLIDAY CHRISTMAS OPEN HOUSE
The El Campo Chamber of Commerce & Agriculture invites you to "Shop Early" for those holiday gifts and decorating ideas by visiting all the great stores listed below on **SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 5TH • 1-5 p.m.**

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Applying Bros./Radio Shack Casa Hernandez (11 a.m.-6 p.m.) Serving Lunch and Supper Cellular One Churchill Downs Cupid's Corner Collins Music Center Executive Stitches Floral Gardens Flowers Etc. & Gifts Gazebo Gene's Custom Pickup Accessories/Wrecker Svc. Gerberman Jewelers Heavenly Helpers Hernandez Nursery | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lack's Furniture Laughlin's Little House Merle Norman Cosmetic Studio & Gifts Netardus-Davis Pharmacy Pangani Bed & Breakfast-Selling Antiques Party Time Outback Tan & Fitness Style Shop Superior Motor Parts The Computer Center The Crossing Today's Man Town Bargain Center Treehouse |
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Remember... shopping El Campo is convenient. Each merchant will have in-store specials during this holiday open house.

Robby Cook...Working for Rural Texas

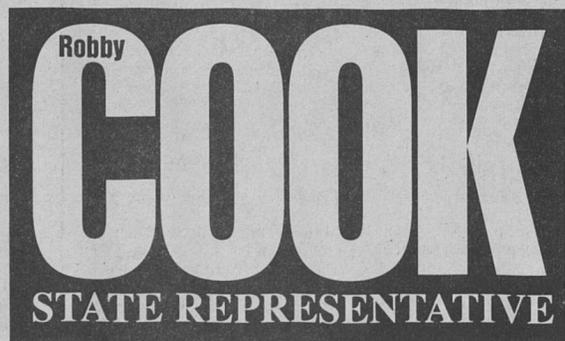
Proudly serving Colorado County in the Texas Legislature.



The Cook Family

"I am proud of the broad base of support I have from so many different groups. However, the support that means the most to me comes from you, the voters of Colorado County, who gave me nearly 74% of your votes in the 1998 general election. The November 7th election is almost here, and I want to ask for your vote one more time."

-Robby Cook



Questions? Call Robby at (979) 234-2713

Robby Cook supporters:

- Texas Farm Bureau (Ag Fund)
- Texas Association of Business and Chambers of Commerce (PAC)
- National Federation of Independent Business
- Texas & Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association
- Texans for Lawsuit Reform/Texas Civil Justice League
- Texas Classroom Teachers Association
- Texas Academy of Family Physicians
 - Combined Law Enforcement Associations of Texas (CLEAT)
 - Texas Medical Association
- Coastal Conservation Association
- The Association of Texas Hospitals and Health Care Organizations
- Texas Association of Realtors (TAR)
 - Texas Nurses Association
- Texas State Rifle Association and the NRA
- Texas Restaurant Association
 - Firefighter Groups (partial list)

Colorado County Democrats, Republicans, and Independents support Robby Cook for State Representative