

# OBITUARY

## Arthur A. Miller

November 16, 1913 - October 18, 2000

Arthur A. Miller, D.V.M., of Newton and Jasper, Texas, passed away October 18, 2000.

He was born November 16, 1913 in Lufkin to Arthur A. and Frances Hall Miller.

Miller graduated from Texas

A&M University with a degree in entomology in 1934 and a degree in veterinary medicine in 1942.

He was a veteran of World War II and served in both North Africa and Italy.

After World War II, he returned to

East Texas to raise a family and enjoy the baygalls, pine ridges and river bottoms.

Miller married Dell Buchanan, former librarian at Eagle Lake High School. He was a member of the First United Methodist Church in Jasper.

Miller enjoyed catfishing, squirrel hunting and beekeeping, but was mildly delusional about his success in those endeavors.

He was preceded in death by his parents, his only brother, Hoy Woods Miller; his horse, Red; and his best dog, Shorty.

He is survived by his wife, Isla Adela Buchanan Miller of Jasper; sons and daughter-in-law, Robert B. "Butch" and Jane Miller of Dallas and Sam Miller of Houston and Arthur A. Miller III of Humble; daughters and sons-in-law, Mary Adele and Hugh Hamilton of Jasper and Laura and Bob Jordan of Austin; grandchildren, Terrell, Melanie, Hollan, Alek, John, Laura, Matt, and Willie; great-granddaughters, Emily and Tess.

A memorial service was held at the First United Methodist Church of Jasper at 3 p.m. Saturday, October 21.

Sympathy is extended to the family in their loss.

# CLUB & ORGANIZATION NEWS

## Nada/Garwood 'Gadabouts'

Nada/Garwood "Gadabouts" of the Texas Extension Education Association, (TEEA), took a field trip to Sandy Creek Station, and the home of Ervin and Kathy Buchta, Oct. 18.

A miniature mum hanging basket, and a can of fishing worms were presented to our host and hostess, as a special thank you.

The meeting was called to order by President Betty Leopold. Club prayer was recited. Fifteen members answer roll call with "My favorite and least favorite wild animal". Some answered with deer, rabbits, ducks, geese, raccoons, squirrels, rats and armadillos.

Welcome to two new members, Ruth Hodge and Jodi Miller and visitor Zachary Tyler Saliba.

Hospitality Chariman Regina Scheffler sent three get well cards to Betty Leopold, Mary Katherine Berger and Emma Waligura. Sympathy cards were sent to Cecelia Hoffmann for the loss of her husband, Edward Hoffmann.

Green Thumb Committee, Lorine Bubela, Leona Wesselski and Ella Buzek, reported their gardens are coming along fine since the recent rain. Cabbage, kohlrabi, squash, turnips, red beets, onions, mustard greens, tomatoes, scallops, green beans are all doing well. They are



Nada/Garwood TEEA members, from left, Millie Faykus, Ella Buzek, Kathy Buchta, Lorine Bubela, Leona Wesselski and Ervin Buchta. In back, Clara Gold, Betty Leopold, Irene Skuca, Lucille Till, Minnie Lee Conner, Regina Scheffler, Tilly Janish and Edna Shimek.

Photo Courtesy of La Juan Braden

eating their radishes and the potato plants are about six inches tall.

Oct. birthdays were Clara Gold and Leona Barrera.

Dorothy Hyek of Nada Grocery donated the pins for members with perfect attendance from Oct. 1999 to Sept. 2000. They were Millie Faykus, Regina Scheffler, Leona Wesselski and La Juan Braden.

Thank you was extended to Minnie Lee Conner, Irene Skuca, and Braden for car-pooling transportation.

Members voted secret ballot for our Year 2000 Woman of the Year. The winner will be announced at the Dec. 7, Achievement Luncheon.

## Shropshire-Upton UDC

The Shropshire-Upton Chapter of the United Daughters of the Confederacy met Oct. 12 at 2 p.m. in the home of Sarah Uzzi.

The meeting was called to order and the ritual led by Katherine Benson, president, who also led the pledges to the flags.

An announcement concerning a collection of funds for the local chapter of the Children of the Confederacy to buy a set of flags for their own use was made. It seems that a rainstorm ruined a borrowed set from Dallas, and it was felt that each Chapter of the C of C should have their own set of flags. A large Piggy Bank was passed around to start the collection, and members were encouraged to "feed the pig!"

The program was presented next, as the presenter, Ms. Vallie Fletcher Taylor needed to be on the road and in Hico before dark.

Chapter Historian, Emma Gene Schroeder introduced the speaker. Ms Taylor gave a report of her reprinting of the book, "Rebel Private: Front and Rear", memoirs written by William A. Fletcher in the early 1900s.

The original book, which had been privately published, was essentially lost until researchers in the Library of Congress unearthed a copy. That volume was used by Margaret Mitchell as source material for her famous book, "Gone with the Wind", and the part of Rhett Butler was based on the father of William A. Fletcher as revealed in this book.

Many other researchers were clamoring for a copy of the book, so in 1995 Ms. Taylor, the great-granddaughter of William A. Fletcher, had it reprinted. She related several of the very interesting stories in the volume. A copy of the 2001 Confederate calendar and an honorarium were presented to the speaker.

The meeting was continued with the order of business. Benson gave a report on the convention, which was attended by Uzzi and Benson. Highlights included a raise in the dues by \$3 to begin next year; Two dollars to go toward storage of the museum collection which was removed from Hill College in Hillsborough by mutual (See UDC, Page 8)

New officer were elected for 2001 they are: President, Leopold; Vice-President, Conner; Secretary, Braden; Treasurer, Lucille Till; and Council Delegates, Anita Meisner and Edna Shimek.

President Leopold thanked the past officers, for the past years of excellence and faithful service. Past officers are: Skuca, vice-president; Till, council delegate; Scheffler, alternate delegate.

Nov. 17, raffle tickets will be sold by different clubs at the Columbus Wal-Mart.

TEEA raffle tickets were passed out. The raffle will be held at the Achievement Day Luncheon, Dec. 7 at the Lutheran Fellowship Hall in Columbus. The theme of the day will be "My Favorite Apron". We will wear any apron, homemade, bought, antique, hand-me-down, gift, whatever.

Our club is in charge of the entertainment and door prizes. Table decorations for the day were discussed.

At our next meeting, Nov. 15, we will have Mrs. Ora Splitter give us a report on the State Convention. She said that Year 2001 Texas will celebrate 75 years and the convention will be held at College Station.

Dates to remember are: Nov. 8: All day strudel and pie bake, Nada Community Hall; Nov. 15, 2 p.m. next meeting of Nada/Garwood "Gadabouts"; Nov. 17, Sell raffle tickets, Wal-Mart; Dec. 7, Achievement Luncheon, Columbus; Dec. 8, Snow in Garwood.

Door prizes were won by Till, Scheffler, Faykus, Wesselski, Gold, Bubela, Buzek, and Skuca.

Everyone took home a Dianthus plant for their fall flowerbeds.

Kathy and Ervin served delicious refreshments of tuna and cheese sandwiches, fruit/veggie tray, chips & dips, sunshine cake, chocolate brownies, tea and coffee.

Sunshine cake recipes were shared by all.

After our snack, Kathy took us on a tour of her home and nature walk to Sandy Creek and beyond. A wonderful time was had by all.



## Eulises Samaniego

Francisco J. and Maria Samaniego of Eagle Lake are pleased to announce the birth of their fifth child, a son, born at 6:15 p.m. October 31, 2000 at Rice Medical Center in Eagle Lake.

Eulises weighed seven pounds, 12 ounces and measured 20 inches at birth.

He was welcomed home by siblings, Edy, 16; Luis, 10; Cristian, seven; and Lizbeth, five.

Maternal grandparents are Rosa and Jose of Mexico.

Paternal grandparents are Elias and Esther of Eagle Lake.

## Lines

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exhibited the warm neighborliness that is so prevalent here.

The library wishes to thank Christine Herman for the audio books and Theresa Galvan for the childrens video that they donated.

The library gratefully acknowledges the following memorials: in memory of Mike Canaris; Mr. & Mrs. Ernest Baumgarten; in memory of Mrs. Walter Gold; Earl & Ruby Braden; in memory of John Michael Buckmaster; Mr. & Mrs. Harry Anderson; in memory of C.W. Whitmire; Golden and Billy D. Jackson; in memory of Bruce W. McCarty; Mrs. Ruby Lee Reese.

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## Native Plant Society

The Columbus Chapter of the Native Plant Society of Texas (NPSOT) will meet Saturday, Nov. 11, at 9:30 a.m. at the farm of Agnes Strauss in the Cat Spring area.

Agnes has arranged her "plant collector's garden" into areas, or rooms, creatively combining native and well adapted plants with garden antiques.

At this time of year, we'll see which plants were hardy enough to survive this especially hot, dry summer and now, due to recent rains, are rebounding. Color in the garden includes fall bloomers and berry producing plants, as well as, plants whose leaves have begun to show autumn reds, oranges, and yellows.

With business dealings in antiques, dried plant materials, and gourds, Agnes's garden reflects her varied interest and activities. If you're into gardening with Texas tough plants, please join us for an educational morning.

The Strauss' farm is located half way between Columbus and Sealy, just north of I-10. To get there take the Bernardo Rd. exit off I-10 and head north for approximately 1/2 mile. Take the first right onto Kveton Rd. Agnes' house is 1/2 mile down the road, at 1146 Kveton Rd. It is the first house on the right, it has a red tin roof, and is "surrounded by a jungle."

For more information or help with directions, Agnes may be reached at 979-732-6012.

## Nature Club to view waterfowl

Where do folks in our sector of the Texas Gulf Coastal Plains go in early autumn to get a first general view and inventory of this year's newly-arriving migratory water birds?

Members of the Tom Waddell Outdoor Nature Club (TWONC) can readily tell you that the very best place is at the widely-known J.R. Thomas "Duck House" located on the Lissie Prairie, south-southeast of Eagle Lake.

And to celebrate the coming of this avian supermix, the Club inaugurates,

according to TWONC President, Alice Sunderman, its 2000-2001 field trip season by visiting this choice location. This will be from 4 to 6 p.m. until dusk Thursday afternoon, Nov. 16. The gracious proprietors, Evelyn and Jimmy Thomas, will act as hostess and host.

Club members, friends, visitors, potential new members are cordially invited to view ducks, geese, wading birds, hawks, newly-arrived songbirds at this sanctuary. Binoculars, spotting scopes and cameras equipped with telephoto lenses will be useful from a vantagepoint on a grassy knoll. There will be refreshments.

Outdoor clothing, especially a jacket to ward off late afternoon chill, is recommended, but waders will be unnecessary at the landscaped facility in the midst of fallow rice fields, marshes, a small lake and assorted ground cover along field borders.

To get to the "Duck House" drive south out of Eagle Lake on FM 3013 toward Wharton for 1.7 miles; turn left (east) on a black-topped road for 1.4 miles; turn left (north) through a double gate and follow the graded road past a house trailer to adequate parking space next to the two-story "beach-type" house. Club members will congregate on the high, well-positioned knoll beyond.

Persons wishing more information about this event or other TWONC activities or membership are asked to call Fannie Merle Welch in Wharton at 979-532-3195; Susan Tomchesson, East Bernard, 335-4883; Mae Ashby, Eagle Lake, 234-2019 or Doris Laughlin, Columbus, 732-8875.

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THE DAY OF PENTECOST APOSTOLIC REVIVAL: FM 102 S, Matthews, 4 p.m. (at Mt. Zion). Rev. R.L. Carter.  
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GRACE LUTHERAN: 408 N. Stevenson, 234-3381; Services begin at 10 a.m.; Rev. Clements Richards.  
LEHRER MEMORIAL UNITED METHODIST: Garwood; 9 a.m. Worship. Rev. Paul A. Lynn, Pastor.  
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