

# OBITUARIES

## Geneva Ann Hill

March 24, 1924 - December 2, 2000

Geneva Ann Hill, 76, of Sheridan, passed away Saturday, December 2, 2000 at Heights Select Specialty Hospital in Houston.

She was born March 24, 1924 in Redfield, Arkansas, to Grover C. and Julia Ann Spann Bradshaw.

She and Jessie A. Hill were married May 28, 1955.

A retired bookkeeper for Houston Gate & Fence Supply, she was a member of the Christian Church in Gould, Arkansas, and American Legion, Women's Auxiliary.

She was preceded in death by her parents; and a sister, Mildred King.

Survivors included her husband, Jessie, of Sheridan; daughter, Suzanne Kasper of Houston; sons, Jessie A.

Hill Jr. of Sheridan and Floyd Eugene Dobson of Coldsprings; sister, Kathryn Harper of Star City, Arkansas; 10 grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held at 11 a.m. Monday, December 4, from Henneke Funeral Home in Columbus with Dr. Charles Greene officiating.

Interment followed in Cheatham Cemetery in Sheridan.

Henneke Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Serving as pallbearers were Bill Parker, Dan Kasper, Butch Dobson, Jessie Hill, Ronnie and Barry Harper.

Sympathy is extended to the family in their loss.

## Nada/Garwood 'Gadabouts' hold meeting

The Nada/Garwood "Gadabouts" of the Texas Extension Education Association (TEEA) met Tuesday, Nov. 21, at 9 a.m. in the home of President, Betty Leopold in Nada.

Twelve members and two visitors answered roll call with "My Favorite Thanksgiving Food". Dressing was the winning favorite.

New member Clara Bruemmer was welcomed to the club, and visitor, Mrs. Ora Spittler of the Sheridan Go-Geters EE Club. Also a young visitor, Kaitilyn Van Court.

Opening prayer was lead by President Leopold. We were reminded to pray for Rita Burns, Irene Skuca and Boyd Rees.

Nov. birthdays are Ella Buzek, Regina Scheffler, Leona Wesselski, and our former beloved member, Helen Berger. Betty and Arthur celebrate their 21st anniversary Nov. 22.

Minutes were read and approved. Treasurer Lucille Till gave her report. A lovely thank you note was read from Kathy and Ervin Buchta.

The new 2001 Yearbooks were given to each member.

Green Thumb committee reported the much-needed rain "plastered" the gardens, but the veggies are thriving. Green beans, turnips, tomatoes, potatoes, green onions, mustard greens, beets, and Chinese cabbage are all growing.

This is a good time to plant rose cuttings. Be sure to plant cuttings on the growing moon to full moon, not after the full moon. Many good gardeners plant by the signs and the moon. But some follow the old wise saying, "I don't plant on the moon, I plant in the ground."

The Dec. 7, Achievement Luncheon at Columbus, was discussed. We are to have the entertainment. Raffle tickets can be purchased at the luncheon.

Members are to bring their cultural arts to be judged.

Each club is to bring three dishes. La Juan Braden will take ham, Leopold a dessert and Minnie Lee Connor a corn dish. We are to bring a pot plant for table decorations and these will be given as door prizes.

Connor reported the Garwood Association is sponsoring "Snow in Garwood" Dec. 8 with Mr. & Mrs. Santa Clause. There will be a 30'x30' section for the smaller children, and another 30'x30' section for the older children to play in the snow, hopefully safely. Lion's Club is sponsoring a raffle that will be drawn that evening. There will be cakes and drinks and the Garwood Volunteer Fire Department will be selling their famous grilled hamburgers with all the trimmings.

We received a letter from Country

World thanking our club for taking part in their Cook of the Week Contest. We can order a copy of the year 2000 Cookbook for \$9 (including postage). From Country World, 851 S. Reynolds, La Grange, TX 78945.

Hospitality Chairman Scheffler sent get-well cards to Caroline Lehrer, Adela Popp, Tillie Janish and Josephine Frels. Sympathy cards were sent to the Emma Waligura Family and to Clara Bruemmer upon the death of her husband, Henry. Thank you notes were sent to Kathy and Ervin Buchta and Dorothy Hyck.

Spittler gave a most interesting report from the State Convention that was held in Odessa in Oct.

She said 573 attended from all over the state of Texas. The youngest member attending was 28 and the oldest was 90. There were 175,875 volunteer hours reported across the state for the year. The TEEA Messenger was passed around. The Cowboy Western theme was carried out throughout the convention. Spittler noted it takes 60 to 70 acres of land per cow in that barren area of the state.

Oil wells were everywhere, and the people were friendly. She told us the history of our club names. In 1914 the first clubs were called the "Tomato Clubs" because the women were taught how to can tomatoes. Then Extension Clubs, Home Demonstration Clubs, Family and Community Education Clubs (FCE) then now to the Texas Extension Education Association Clubs (TEEA).

A most interesting speaker, Fay Brown gave a performance and sold her books.

The speaker also reported that 75 million people will be 85 years and older by the year 2030. She also said the worst risk factor for the elderly is "clutter", balance problems and over-coming fears. We should take precautions against car thefts. Don't ever leave your keys in your car for any reason, and always lock it after parking, even at home.

A wealth of knowledge is lost when a person dies. We need to preserve our heritage in notebooks entitled "Thing to Remember" such as: what we ate as a child, dressed, activities, etc. or at least talk in a cassette recorder for preserving your heritage for your grandchildren.

Spittler also shared a pattern and description of how to make jewelry with wrapping paper, tooth picks and glue. She also said that beads can be made with fresh rose petals and glue to make a dough. Then form the dough into pearls. Let dry and string on a wire. Keep extra dough in ice box from spoiling. Acorns can also be used



Members of the Nada-Garwood "Gadabouts" are, in front, from left, Anita Meisner, Kaitilyn Van Court, Lorine Bubela, Leona Wesselski, Lucille Till and Clara Bruemmer. In back are Edna Shimek, Tillie Janish, Ora Spittler, Minnie Lee Connor, Millie Faykus, Betty Leopold and Clara Gold. Not pictured is La Juan Braden, who was taking the photo.

as beads. Just peel off the coating, paint, dry and string. These are great for gifts or craft sales.

Vice President Connor gave each member a beautiful hand made Angel Christmas tree ornament made with cotton boll from her cotton patch in Pierce. She also shared a laminated pumpkin with a bag of "vitamins" with instructions to take each color pill for different ailments. Such as green for energy, orange for hunger, yellow for moodiness, brown for light stress, blue for heavy stress and red for emergency. Copies of "Ten Rules for Making Every Day a Great Day" were compliments of Connor.

Bruemmer shared "Recipe For a Terrible Day", "Recipe For a Wonderful Day", and instructions for mixing ingredients.

Edna Shimek shared copies of "Why Farm Trucks are Seldom Stom-

len".

Door prizes were won by Shimek, Janish, Till, Bruemmer, Spittler, Connor, Leopold, Anita Meisner and Van Court.

A delicious pre-Thanksgiving luncheon was served.

Leopold shared recipes for all the dishes served and a lovely time was had by all.

It was also the birthday of Wesselski and all sang Happy Birthday to her.

Dates to remember:

Dec. 7, Achievement Luncheon at St. Paul Lutheran Church, Columbus. Bring your cultural arts items to be judged for prizes. Check in time 8:30-9 a.m. Meeting is at 10 a.m.;

Dec. 8: "Snow in Garwood"; and 2 p.m. Jan. 17, 2001 next regular meeting of "Gadabouts". Visitors and new members welcome.

## Court Our Lady of the Rosary #1595 meets

The Court Our Lady of the Rosary #1595 met Nov. 14 at St. Mary's Parish Hall in Nada.

Hostesses were Joyce and Juliette Zbranc, Virginia Balusek, Henrietta Baumgarten, Mable Beard, Bea, Brenda and Irene Bittner, Cynthia Boenisch and LaJuan Braden.

Regent Bernita Korenek called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

The minutes were read and approved.

Brenda Bittner gave the treasurer's report.

The committees were asked to give their reports. Rose Staff reported that 293 pies and 462 strudels were made for the strudel and pie bake. Rose thanked all those who helped make this a great success.

Pat Wobbe reported on the Oct. Senior Citizens Party. The next party is scheduled for Dec. 13 in the St. Mary's Parish Hall from 2 to 4:30 p.m.

The Christmas Party at the Correctional Center was discussed and we will again sponsor a party.

Father Joe Koebel gave us a brief talk on the Holy Days.

The meeting was called to a close by Regent Korenek.

The next meeting will be held Tuesday, Dec. 12.

## WCJC Alumni recognize contributions

The Wharton County Junior College (WCJC) Alumni Association recently honored three outstanding alumni at their biennial reunion hosted at the Wharton campus.

The association also paid tribute to the classes of 1949-50 and recognized three students who recently received scholarships from the association.

In addition, a silent auction was held to benefit future scholarship recipients; the auction raised \$1,200.

More than 200 people attended the event which recognized one of the college's first graduates with the Hall of Fame Award, a former Wharton resident who was known for his passion for education and sports in the community, with the Distinguished Alumnus Award, and a current WCJC faculty member for their contributions to the success of the college's Dental Hygiene Program with the Meritorious Service Award.

The Hall of Fame award was presented to John Vasek of China Spring, a 1948 alumnus. Vasek's career has spanned more than 50 years in education, having served as a former coach and principal.

He is also a renowned artist, known for sculpting wood. A recent sculpture of a drake duck went for \$2,000 at an area parents' association auction.

This retired principal is so highly admired by his former colleagues and students that a field house at Reicher Catholic School was dedicated in his honor in 1999.

The Distinguished Alumnus Award went to the late Donald Scheller, a 1948 graduate. Scheller was a man who had a love for sports and education.

He played on the 1948 WCJC football team that won the National Junior College Championship. He then went on to Southwest Texas State University on a football scholarship, served in the U.S. Army and received a masters degree from the University of Houston in 1958.

In 1958, he became a football coach for Wharton High School (WHS), and later became head coach. While at WHS, he worked with a dirt track and "home made" hurdles. The school board agreed to put a cement curbing around the inside track. His track team was runner-up in the state championship.

In 1961, he became a junior high principal in Wharton where he served for six years before leaving the school (See WCJC, Page 5)

## Wintermann

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Christ Church, P.O. Box 577, Eagle Lake, TX 77434; Friends of Fondren Library, 6100 Main Street MS245, Houston, TX 77005; The Shepherd School of Music, Alice Pratt Brown Hall, 6100 Main Street MS532, Houston, TX 77005; or a charity of your choice.

Sympathy is extended to the family in their loss.

## Bible Verse of the Week

"Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven."

— Matthew 5:16



## Foot Facts

By Dr. Eric R. Tepper, Podiatrist  
BASKETBALL & YOUR FEET

Basketball is a popular winter sport. Played competitively or recreationally, it can wreak havoc on the feet due to its stops and starts, jumping, and running. The foot and ankle suffer tremendous pressure in basketball, and injuries are common. Acute injuries occur with a sudden blow or fall, while chronic injuries result from extended wear and tear. Ankle sprains, torn ligaments, muscle pulls, ruptured tendons, and fractures are some common acute injuries. An acute injury requires immediate medical attention and is often treated initially with the RICE method - rest, ice, compression, and elevation. Stress fractures, plantar fasciitis, shin splints, Achilles heel, and tendonitis are common chronic injuries associated with basketball. Stretching, warm-ups, and proper conditioning can help prevent chronic conditions.

Although playing basketball today may differ greatly from the game's earliest moments back in 1891, its fundamental elements of running, jumping, cutting, stopping, and shooting on a hard floor remain essentially the same. Your podiatrist can be a valuable member of your team by addressing the game's two distinct types of injury to the lower extremities - acute injury from a sudden blow, or chronic injury that develops slowly and becomes aggravated over an extended period of time. Don't let your sport keep you sidelined - call us at 234-5571, at Rice Medical Center. Hours available here on Tuesdays.

P.S. Wearing basketball-specific shoes will support the foot and ankle and help reduce the potential for injury.



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MT. CARMEL MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH: Hwy. 90-A (Pecan Valley), Eagle Lake, Rev. P.L. Barrow Sr.; 234-5813.

LIVING HOPE CHURCH: Revs. Joe and Mercy Fling; 234-5536.

TEMPLE BERE: 621 Maple Street, Eagle Lake, Rev. Manuel Matamoros.

ROCK ISLAND FULL GOSPEL: P.O. Box 232, Rock Island; 234-5840; Nick Williams, Pastor.

LATIN-AMERICAN ASSEMBLY OF GOD (Bethlehem of Judea Church); 1000 East E, Eagle Lake; Ruth Olivera, Pastor.

SEALY ASSEMBLY OF GOD: 1140 Meyer, 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; 979-478-2169.

EAST BERNARD FIRST BAPTIST: Rev. Clifford Roser.

FIRST BAPTIST: N. Lake at E. Prairie; Eagle Lake.

FRIENDSHIP BAPTIST: 405 S. Lake, Eagle Lake; Rev. Perry Riley; Pastor; 234-5795.

IGLESIA BAUTISTA GETSEMANI: 901 B Street, Eagle Lake; Rev. Mario Vasquez.

GREATER MT. OLIVE BAPTIST: Rev. R. Kiser, Pastor; 705 Lake, Eagle Lake; 234-3545.

PROVIDENCE BAPTIST: 1207 Seaholm, Eagle Lake; Rev. Coby Shorter; 234-3735.

CHRIST EPISCOPAL: 306 E. Stockbridge.

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.

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HOLY CROSS CATHOLIC CHURCH: East Bernard.

CATHOLIC PARISH OF THE NATIVITY: Our Lady of Perpetual Help Sanctuary; 308 N. Stevenson St., Eagle Lake; 7 a.m. (Español), 9 a.m., 11 a.m., Rev. Eddie Winkler, P.O. Box 307; 979-234-2842.

ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC CHURCH: Box 97, Nada, 758-3218. Rev. Joseph Koebel, Pastor.

GOSPEL MISSION CHURCH: Pastors Erik & Crystal Cameron; 510 E. Prairie, Eagle Lake; 979-234-3225 or 234-2824.

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.

LISSIE UNITED METHODIST: Bill Ramsey, Pastor; 234-2112; Lissie, Tx.

ROCK ISLAND METHODIST: Ken Sellers Jr., Lay-Pastor.

UNITED METHODIST: Paul A. Lynn, 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.

VINE OF THE LORD: Rev. Paul Aguilar; 1300 E. State, Eagle Lake; 234-7543.

FRIENDSHIP A-G: 501 Wallace, East Bernard; Fred Chambers, Pastor.

THE CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER-DAY SAINTS: 600 West St.; Sealy; Marshall Crosby, Branch Pres.

CHURCH OF CHRIST: 815 Milam, Columbus; Lynn Wilson, Minister.

THE SHEPHERD'S WAY: Non-denominational Christian Fellowship; 217 Main, Sealy; Frank Lucas, Pastor. 885-7873.



## Historic plaque

Vivian Metzger, owner of the Dobbins-Nathan building at 107 E. Main in Eagle Lake, shows where the local historic landmark plaque will be affixed over the front door.

The plaque was presented to Metzger Saturday afternoon, Dec. 2, by Eagle Lake Preservation Alliance President Evelyne Stowers during a reception hosted by Metzger.

The building, constructed in 1904 and designed by A.E. Barnes, was the home of Spanihel & Sons for many years.

Metzger purchased the building from Dan Roan who had previously bought it from L.J. "Sonny" Spanihel. A new business will be established at the site in the near future.

Headlight Photo