

OBITUARY

Eather Lee Stovall February 16, 1919 - December 14, 2000

Eather Lee Stovall, 81, of Eagle Lake, passed away at 5:45 a.m. December 14, 2000 at her residence.

She was born February 16, 1919 in Altair to George and Evelyn Nichols Washington.

A lifelong resident of this area, she attended local schools and was a devoted wife, mother, grandmother and friend. She will be long remembered by all she touched.

She was preceded in death by her parents; husband, George Stovall; daughter, Rosic Stovall; and son, Ben Stovall.

Survivors include her daughters, Rose Mary Bluntson and Mable Godley of Altair, Cynthia Evelyn Sims of Eagle Lake, and Eather Lee Stovall of Weimar; sons, Willie Lee, John Ben, Joe Lee, Charles Lee, Matthew and George Stovall Jr., all of Eagle Lake, and Sylvester Stovall of Vox Populi; sisters, Pricilla Evans of Cameron and Katharine Hewitt of Waco; daughters-in-law, Brenda and Gerlene Stovall, Mary Ann Daniels and Stella Sewell, all of Eagle Lake, and Tilla Stovall of Smithville; sons-in-law, Willie "Clint" Bluntson and Joseph Godley

of Altair, and Kado Powell of Eagle Lake; good friend, Ruth Whitfield of Eagle Lake; a host of grand and great grandchildren; other relatives and loved ones.

Funeral services were held at 2 p.m. Saturday, December 23, from the White Cloud Baptist Church in Eagle Lake with Rev. Obie Rhodes officiating.

Interment followed in Rising Star Cemetery in Eagle Lake.

Dulany Funeral Home of Eagle Lake was in charge of arrangements.

Pallbearers were friends and relatives.

Honorary pallbearers were Willie, Joe Lee, Charles Lee, Sylvester and Johnny Stovall and Joseph Godley.

Sympathy is extended to the family in their loss.

Colorado County EEA host luncheon

Sally Garrett, Colorado County Extension Agent, Family & Consumer Sciences

The Colorado County Extension Education Association Clubs (EEA) hosted their annual Achievement Luncheon Dec. 7 at the St. Paul Lutheran Church fellowship hall.

There were 70 members and guests in attendance including special guests Colorado County Judge Al Jamison and County Commissioners Richard Seifert, Herbert Helmcamp, Tommy Hahn and Darrell Gertson.

The theme of this year's luncheon was "My Favorite Apron". Many of the members gave a brief history of their heirloom aprons which had been passed down by their grandmothers, mothers, or other relatives. Other members presented amusing stories about the history or origin of their apron.

Colorado County EEA Council Chairman Dessie Hoppe announced the winners of the Table Decoration Award with first place going to the Nada/Garwood Gadabouts and second place to the Frelsburg Club.

Next Majorie Brune and Sally Garrett, County Extension Agent Family & Consumer Sciences, handed out the Cultural Arts Exhibit Awards to the following winners:

Paintings (oil/acrylic): first place, Regina Scheffler; paintings (pen/ink): first, La Juan Braden; photography: first, Braden; second, Barbara Vohs; fabric creations: first, Clara Bruemmer, second, Sylvia Addicks; fiber arts: first, Gladys Ulbricht, second, Juanita Rabel; handstitchery: first, Kathy Ricks, second, Vohs; wearable art: first, Bruemmer, second, Rabel; quilts (larger than 50"x70") machine quilted: first, Jo Knox; quilts (smaller than 50"x70") machine quilted: first, Knox, second, Rabel; holiday decorations: first, Madeline Hattermann, second, Majorie Brune; paper art: first, Rabel.

Certificates for club membership service in strengthening and enriching families were awarded to the following members: 5 years of service: Evelyn Theumler, Weimar, Shirley Zatopek, Shaw's Bend; 10 years: Minnie Lee Connor, Nada/Garwood Gadabouts, Bobby Haines, Sheridan Go-Getters, Hattermann, Weimar, Mae Kainer, Weimar, Rabel, Weimar,

Betty Varley, Sheridan Go-Getters; 15 years: Evelyn Meyer, Frelsburg, Leila Suchadoll, Shaw's Bend; 20 years: Claudia Machu, Frelsburg, Vlasta Willman, Shaw's Bend; 25 years: LaVerne Klaus, Shaw's Bend.

Each year, the County EEA Clubs nominate and award the designation of Woman of the Year to a Club member. The following members were honored by their Clubs for their service, activities and attendance and presented Woman of the Year pins by Hoppe, EEA Council Chairman: Viola Warschak, Frelsburg; Helen Michalke, Happy Homemakers; Lorine Bubela, Nada/Garwood Gadabouts; Myrtle Kotrla, Shaw's Bend; and Martha Polach, Sheridan Go-Getters.

Club reports summarizing the past year's activities, donations and community service hours were given by

each EEA Club president. Hoppe stated that the total number of community service hours last year for the six Colorado County Clubs was 5,346 and a grand total of \$1,790.30 was donated to various causes. All of these hours and monies were given and raised by the 100 County EEA Club members.

A special plaque was also presented by the association to Sharon Grahmann, Extension Program Assistant, in recognition and appreciation of her many years of service and work with the Colorado County Texas EEA.

Following the business meeting and entertainment provided by the Nada/Garwood Gadabouts, a luncheon buffet was served by the Happy Homemakers.

The food was provided by all of the attending club members.

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Prevention

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Texas children have become new daily smokers, and \$7 billion has been spent in our state on health problems attributed to tobacco use. In addition, tobacco companies have spent an estimated \$1.2 billion (\$400 million over the last three years) to advertise their products in Texas.

The Texas Department of Health (TDH) has requested placing 200 million additional dollars in the Tobacco Education and Enforcement Endowment, bringing its balance to \$400 million and yielding \$20 million per year for a statewide program.

"We support the TDH's request," says Martha Gallier, Chair of the AHA, Texas Affiliate. "But we propose placing \$150 million of that amount in the Endowment, with the remaining \$50 million to be equally divided over the biennium and added to tobacco awareness program to approximately \$43 million-enough to adequately fund a comprehensive statewide plan and yield immediate results."

College financial aid resources help families

'Tis the season to be jolly, and for many families with seniors in high school, it's also the season to get busy with financial aid applications for college.

Experts at ACT offer the following information to help families find the resources they need to complete their financial aid paperwork.

The most important form is the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). The FAFSA determines eligibility for student financial aid from federal programs. Colleges and universities also use the FAFSA, but may also require students to fill out additional forms. Families can begin submitting their FAFSA forms any time after Jan. 1 when they have the necessary income statements from the previous year to complete the form.

The FAFSA (available from high school counselors or at www.fafsa.ed.gov) collects information that is used to determine how much the family is expected to contribute toward the student's (Expected Family Contribution, or EFC).

Families usually receive a Student Aid Report three to four weeks after submitting the FAFSA form. It will summarize the data reported on the application.

Families can get estimates of what their EFC may be and the costs of attending specific institutions by using ACT's Financial Aid Need Estimator at www.act.org/fane.

Families can find information on

more than 600,000 scholarships totaling more than \$1.6 billion at www.collegenet.com. This website provides a broad search of scholarships or a list of scholarships by category such as age, academics, ethnicity, interests, nationality or sports. Students also can apply online for the scholarships. For additional opportunities, including local scholarships, please see your school counselor.

Financial Aid tips from ACT:
 •Apply early for admission and financial aid.
 •Check with your college to determine if other financial aid forms are required.
 •Apply for scholarships and grants.
 •Look into work study programs.
 •Surf the web for financial aid information.

Try these websites:
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 Free scholarship search - www.collegenet.com.

The Financial Aid Information page - www.finaid.org.
 The Federal Government Financial Aid page - www.ed.gov/finaid.html.

Free Application for Federal Student Aid - www.fafsa.ed.gov.
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A NEW ARRIVAL
Brandi Nicole Lynn Black

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Brandi Nicole Lynn weighed seven pounds and measured 18 inches at birth.

Maternal grandparents are John

and Phyllis Pscencik of Eagle Lake.

Paternal grandparents are Tom and Patsy Kinney of Oak Grove, Louisiana, and the late Bill Black.

Great-grandmothers are Pauline Dudley of Purdin, Missouri, and Christine Pscencik of Flatonia.

The new mom is the former Tamra Pscencik.

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Railroad Commission passes emergency ruling

The Texas Railroad Commission (RRC) recently adopted an emergency rule to stop discontinuance of natural gas service during the winter months.

In 1999, at least 21 people died in Texas from hypothermia; of those 21, at least 17 (81%) were age 60 or older and many of them died unexpectedly in their own homes.

Without adequate heat, many people, especially the elderly, are in danger long before the temperature drops to freezing.

"Our action protects disadvantaged Texans, especially children and the elderly, when winter temperatures drop towards freezing," Michael L. Williams, chairman of TRRC said. "We don't want Texans forced to choose between home heat and other needs."

Under the new rule:
 •Natural gas utility companies may not disconnect a customer on a day when the previous day's temperature in the county where the customer takes service fell below 40 degrees Fahrenheit and the National Weather Service predicts that the temperature in the county will fall below that level during the next 24 hours;

•Providers may not disconnect service to a delinquent residential customer for a billing period in which the provider receives a pledge, letter on intent, purchase order or other notification from an energy assistance provider that is forwarding sufficient payment to continue service;

•Providers may not disconnect service to a delinquent residential customer on a day, or on a day immediately preceding a day, when personnel of the provider are not available for the purpose of receiving payment or making collections or reconnecting service, and

•Providers are also encouraged to offer customers a deferred payment plan as set forth in the Commission's quality of service rule, 16 TAC § 7.45(2), or a level or average payment plan.

Text of the emergency rule will be provided on the RRC web site at www.rrc.state.tx.us.

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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 Guylar, Wallis; Rev. Clay Spears. 979-478-2169.
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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.
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Happy 46th Anniversary
 Jan. 2, 2001
Mom & Daddy
 May God bless you with many more.
 Love, CoCo

