

OBITUARIES

Joe Lee Foster

January 15, 1946 - December 1, 2001

Joe Lee Foster, 55, of Eagle Lake, passed away at 10:38 a.m. Saturday, December 1, 2001 at Memorial-Hermann Hospital Southwest Houston following a brief illness.

A lifelong resident of Colorado County, he was born in Eagle Lake January 15, 1946 to Lee and Hattie Marie Gold Foster.

He graduated from Eagle Lake High School with the Class of 1964 and immediately joined the U.S. Marine Corps. He served his country honorably during the Vietnam War and was awarded the Purple Heart for wounds received in combat.

Foster and Karolyn Reagan were married in Eagle Lake January 20, 1979.

He retired after 32 years of service with AT&T and was a member of the Knights of Columbus Council #4843 and the Roman Catholic Parish of the Nativity in Eagle Lake.

He was preceded in death by his father.

Survivors include his wife, Ka-

rolyn; sons, Jacob Lee and Joshua Reagan Foster; mother and step-father, Hattie and Edward Walker, all of Eagle Lake; mother-in-law, Ruth Reagan of Raymondville, Texas; sisters and brother-in-law, Barbara Foster and Richard Gilbert of Katy and Patricia Foster of Lago Vista, Texas; other relatives and a host of friends and loved ones.

A vigil service was held at 6 p.m. Monday, December 3, from the Chapel of Dulany Funeral Home in Eagle Lake with Rev. Eddie Winkler presiding and Cynthia Sunderman serving as cantor.

Funeral mass was held at 11 a.m. Tuesday, December 4, from the Parish of the Nativity's Our Lady of Perpetual Help Sanctuary with Rev. Eddie Winkler, Rector, officiating.

Cross Bearer and Server was James Dierschke; Lector, Karen Crane; Cantor, Donna Gertson; Organist, Patsy Stephens; Gift Bearers were Georgia and James Dierschke; Special Ministers of Communion were

Georgia Dierschke, Carolyn Noska and Ray Sykowski.

Interment followed in Lakeside Cemetery in Eagle Lake with military honors under the auspices of VFW Post 8783 of Eagle Lake.

Dulany Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Pallbearers were Harvey Skow, Clarence Brandes, George and Floyd Fisher, Larry Pohlemeyer and Larry Foster.

The family requests memorials be made to either the American Heart Association or the Hospice Support Group of your choice.

Sympathy is extended to the family in their loss.

Lillian Melton Zahradnick

March 18, 1928 - November 29, 2001

Lillian Melton Zahradnick, 73, of Eagle Lake, passed away Thursday, November 29, 2001 at the Methodist Hospital in Houston following a brief illness.

Born in Lissie on March 18, 1928, she was the first of eight children born to Sam and Minnie Williams Melton. She married Raymond Zahradnick in West Columbia on May 10, 1946.

A resident of Eagle Lake most of her life, she was a member of the Grace Lutheran Church of Eagle Lake.

Preceded in death by her parents; and husband Ray (Sept. 27, 2001); survivors include sons and daughter-in-law, Alan and Jennifer Zahradnick of Eagle Lake and Lloyd Zahradnick of Sealy; sisters and brothers-in-law, Dorothy and Melburn Cleveland of Yorktown, Texas, Lucy and Harold Graves of Rockdale, Ruth and Dave Hattenbauch of Houston, Edna Davenport of Tomball, Jodie Beam of Edna, and Betty and Ken Moore; brother, Sammy Melton all of Victoria; seven grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; numerous nieces, nephews other relatives and loved ones.

Maximo Garcia

Maximo Garcia, 80, of Eagle Lake, passed away at 3:30 p.m. Tuesday, December 4, 2001 at Rice Medical Center in Eagle Lake following a lengthy illness.

Funeral services were pending as of press time.

A full obituary will appear in next week's *Headlight*.

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

Sympathy is extended to the family in their loss.

Spend Christmas in Egypt this Saturday

By Gayle Frank

Egypt... land of the Nile, Pyramids and home of the world famous Sphinx. But what about Jesus? For a short while, Egypt was his home. "Christ"mas himself had come to the land of Egypt when he was just a child.

Pastor Rusty Griffin and the members of the Sealy Assembly Children's Christmas Production proudly invite all to attend this comical and very touching play this Saturday, Dec. 8 at 7 p.m.

With a cast and crew of about 70, an incredible multi-level set, special effects and the appointed talents of children from age four to sixth grade it promises to be an evening no one will want to miss.

The production takes place shortly after Joseph (played by Wesley McShan) received instruction from an angel to take Mary (Stephanie Marek) and Jesus (Taran Hoff) and flee to

Egypt.

Upon hearing the talk of a new king, Herod, feeling threatened gave an order for all baby boys to be killed. Historians estimate Herod died two to four years after Jesus was born in Bethlehem, so Jesus spent the very early years of his life in Egypt. Imagine what that trip "south" of the Holy Land must have been like for a young married couple and their baby, Jesus himself, the river of life, living in the land of the desert.

What if Jesus' family befriended their Egyptian neighbors? What if Jesus celebrated His birthday with His Egyptian playmates? What if, like Herod, the Egyptian Pharaoh (Patrick Sullivan) knew of the existence of the new King? Such interesting questions certainly set the scene that will make for an incredible production. But the most important "what if" is whether or not lives were changed by Jesus' presence in Egypt. History has proven that wherever Jesus is introduced, lives are changed.

Pastor Rusty says, "Families are

so very special to us and we are so glad to have the opportunity to celebrate Christmas with the other families of surrounding counties through this production.

We are just common folks but that makes us perfect candidates for the one true God to take our efforts and turn them from common to uncommon and the ordinary to the extraordinary. Come and see a common ministry done with uncommon excellence. You will truly be blessed."

Admission is free. The musical production begins at 7 p.m.

Pastors Darrell and Marie Myers are the children's pastors for the Sealy Assembly children's ministry. Children's Church is held Sunday mornings during the 10:30 a.m. service and special activities are held throughout the year.

If you have any questions about the play or any of the ministries of Sealy Assembly, please contact the church office at 979-885-3113 or visit the church website at www.sealyassembly.org.

Knox is part of NYLF/LAW

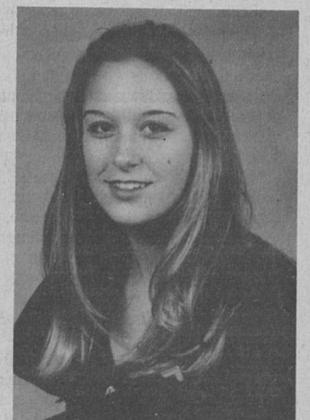
Miss Vicki Knox, a senior student at Memorial High School in Houston, recently participated in the National Youth Leadership Forum On Law (NYLF/LAW) from Nov. 13 to 18 in Washington, D.C.

Vicki is the daughter of Jennifer Knox of Houston. She is the granddaughter of Bill and Helen Wilson of Colorado County and the great-granddaughter of the late Dan and Evangeline Canaris of Eagle Lake.

Having demonstrated academic achievement and an interest in law and justice, Knox joined more than 350 outstanding high school juniors and seniors from across the U.S. at the Forum.

"The NYLF/LAW gives bright, young people like Vicki Knox an opportunity to learn what it takes to pursue the different disciplines of law before they head off to college," said Donna Weldin, executive director of the NYLF.

"This early exposure to their chosen field allows these individuals to be more selective and focused in their studies and internships as they map out their route to law school and beyond. By interacting with partners at



law firms, and criminal defense attorneys and prosecutors, as well as professors and other professionals who work with the justice system, the process of students shaping their future starts here."

The group participated in "mock" trials and studied the appellate system, among other things, while in Washington.

Bible Verse of the Week

"Great is the Lord, and most worthy of praise." — Psalms 48:1

Submitted by Neddy Phillips

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Eighth grade: Ashley Banks, Paul Barrow, Jayson Batiste, Jamaris Brooks, Amanda Casillas, Rafaela Castaneda, Alfonso Castillo, Lajoya Coats, Amber Cunningham, Trent Fields, Jesus Flores, Derrick Frazier, Deshaune Fuller, Carlos Galvan, Magali Garcia, Ashley Garza, LaKerica Hancock, Adriana Hernandez, Anthony Johnson, Kenneth Johnson, Michael Johnson, Robert Johnson, Heather Kieborz, Trent Kucherka, Amanda Loftin, Elizabeth Longoria, Priscilla Lozano, Laura Melchor, Lorenzo Morales, Michael Morales, Victor Muro, Kevin Phynon, Misty Posada, Brittany Reagan, Stacy (See Attendance, Page 8)



Charlene Konesheck, at left, with Grace Lutheran Church in Eagle Lake, presented a donation to the Eagle Lake Ministerial Alliance which was accepted by Pastor Bill Ramsey of the United Methodist Church in Lissie. *Headlight Photo by Carol Nelson*

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