



### McKimmy, Zapalac to wed

Richard and Susan McKimmy of Katy are proud to announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Kelly McKimmy of Katy, to Eric Zapalac of Sealy. He is the son of Randy and Judy (Greak) Zapalac of Sealy. They will exchange vows October 19.

## Council

In return for that amount, Eagle Lake would continue to have a link to valuable information resources from the state. Property values will increase as businesses grow and sales tax could increase with more businesses down-

Mary Ann Kaluzu pointed out an article in *Texas Highways*, written by our own George Cason, describing how the small town of Kemah came to be what it is today. Kemah's growth was done in small steps by people who wouldn't give up and that's the way we need to be.

Nethery commended Leslie and John for their fine presentations. He asked how much Main Street has raised in fund-raisers and she told him about \$10,000. Nethery added that he sees the importance of increasing property values and sales tax, but as steward of Eagle Lake finances, he feels as if they need to sit down and hash things out. (I often quote what Eric Nethery says in my articles. I try to be objective and give each Council member their space in this article, but I hate to give up Main Street, but he still needs to look at the books and make sure there are monies for everything. I could go on and on about future funding for Main Street, but the bottom line is Nethery is chairman of Budget Committee and no decision is going to be made until he looks at the books! We only have so much money in the City coffer and they're all working for an equitable and workable solution. In other words, each City de-

partment is in need of finances. All Council members had their own comments about future funding. Stay tuned for this one...

Appointments were made. Larry Dulany is the associate judge for Columbus when Dodie Dungen is out and they appointed Dungen to be associate judge when Dulany is out. Ronnie Sedgwick was appointed to the appraisal board.

Director of Public Works, Thurston Webb, made his report relating the goods news that the slope mower is functional again and in use. He also reported that the City has sprayed for mosquitoes 64 times this year.

Cleaning up of Eagle Lake was discussed with three new "weedy lot" letters going out.

I'm not even going to go into this discussion. I've always wondered who decides who gets these letters? Is there a weedy lot patrol going around Eagle Lake? I'm not complaining, since we have a lot of places to clean up - I just hope some type of good judgment is

used. I've heard a lot of complaints about some of these letters. One man who usually keeps his lot mowed got a letter after his tractor broke down. He couldn't mow his lot until the man could come and fix it. He wasn't too happy about receiving one of the weedy lot letters since he considers himself a fairly good up-standing citizen and has done things to help Eagle Lake.

Kelley commended John Young for cleaning the area across from the fire department - good job, John!

Other things were discussed, but you need to come to Council to hear them all. The mayor closed the meeting with a reminder what their mission statement says and reminded Council to put that before everything else.

I'm tired of writing and I'm sure you are tired of reading at this point! Enough! Enough!

Everyone mow your lots and keep your pet from doing their business on other people's property and let Council get on with business!

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## RHS sponsors 'Freedom's Answer'

In response to 9/11, Rice High School (RHS) sponsored Freedom's Answer Friday Night Football in pre-game ceremonies Sept. 27 at Rice's homecoming game with Bellville. Ceremonies included honoring the area's public safety officials and volunteers for the work they do to keep us safe.

In attendance were officers from the Colorado County Sheriff's Department, volunteer firefighters from Rock

Island, Sheridan, Garwood and Eagle Lake and EMS volunteers from the Rice communities.

After the program, students passed out pledge cards and voter registration cards to the attendees, asking them to vote in the upcoming Nov. election, to honor the victims and heroes of 9/11 and America's armed forces, risking their lives overseas for our freedom, including the right to vote.

Freedom's Answer is a non-parti-

san, non-profit effort led by high school students across the country trying to set a record voter turnout on Nov. 5 to show the world that our great democracy is unshaken. High schools across the country are sponsoring Freedom's Answer Friday Night Football to remind fans of the importance of voting in this first nationwide election since the terrorist attacks.

Freedom's Answer is supported by virtually the entire national educational establishment, a host of national youth groups, the AARP, the Newspaper Association of America, and by both the Republican and Democratic parties. Freedom's Answer is totally non-partisan and volunteers will not

ask anyone to vote for or register in any particular party.

Last September 11, all Americans wished there was something they could do or say. They raised the flag, gave money, donated blood, and said a prayer," said Lee Politsch, RHS counselor and Freedom's Answer coordinator. "We used our stadium and Friday Night Football as a venue to remind our community they can make one more statement about terrorism, and that is to vote on November 5 to say, "This is our country, this is our freedom, this is our answer."

Freedom's Answer is a non-partisan, non-profit service-learning project of Youth-E-Vote, Inc. 501c(3).

## Parish Festival is Oct. 20

The Parish of the Nativity, Roman Catholic Church of Victoria, will hold its annual Festival Sunday, Oct. 29, at 545 S. Austin Road in Eagle Lake, across from Rice Medical Center.

A chicken fried steak dinner with all the trimmings will be served beginning at 11:30 a.m. Cost is \$6 a plate. Curb service will be available.

Lot of activities are planned including a country store, cake walk, ring toss, dunking stand, horseshoe pitching, food booths and much more.

Music will be provided by The Lazy Farmers from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Los Caprichosos will provide music in the evening.

An auction will start at 1 p.m.

A drawing for a \$1,000 if certificate will also be held.

There will be plenty of family entertainment for all ages.

Everyone is invited to come and enjoy the day.

## Brewer celebrates 10 years

Brandy Brewer, daughter of Victor and Tracy Brewer of Eagle Lake, turned 10 years old on Oct. 1, 2002.

Brandy had a very special birthday celebration. Over the weekend, her brothers, Justin and Brennan Jobe, and Lori Smith came in from out of town.

Sunday, Brandy was surprised with a day spent with her great-grandmother "Nannaw", Grandmomma, Pappy, Mom and Dad, Justin, Brennan, Victor, Lori and her cousin, Anna.

Brandy enjoyed opening many special gifts and spending the afternoon playing exciting games outside.

She also received many phone calls and special cards for her birthday, and wants to thank everyone for making her feel so very special in each and every way.

Happy birthday, Brandy, and many, many more!



Saturday, Sept. 7, Mrs. Tanya Keller auditioned for and was accepted into Ballet Grace, a non-profit ballet company in Houston. As a company, Ballet Grace expresses through dance an appreciation for the gifts and blessings we receive from God's love. The company will perform at many Houston venues, such as Wortham Theatre, and at area festivals throughout the year. In addition to performing, Mrs. Tanya is the owner and instructor of Keller Academy of Performing Arts in East Bernard, which offers professional instruction in ballet, tap, gymnastics and jazz.

## ABOUT TOWN...

- The 8<sup>th</sup> annual Marsalia Family Reunion was held Saturday, Sept. 28, at Mentz Hall.
- Everyone enjoyed a wonderful barbecue lunch, silent auction, horseshoe pitching contest and just visiting with relatives and friends.
- The Cardenas Family gathered this weekend to welcome Anthony home after a 10-year absence. Along with welcoming Anthony home, there were a number of family members who celebrated birthdays in Sept. Missing from the occasion but celebrating birthdays in Sept. are granddaughters of Atilano and Lydia Cardenas, Carol "Lil' Carol" McDonald who resides in Leesville, Louisiana, and Rebecca Clarkson, who resides in the Houston area.
- A great time was had by all who had the opportunity to attend.

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## Happy Birthday Clara Carson!!!

October 1, 2002

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The remaining plaque hardens or "calcifies" on your teeth, the result is tartar (also called "calculus"). It's a hard, crusty, cream-colored substance that forms unsightly deposits above the gumline, often on the lower front teeth. This is the major culprit in the formation of periodontal disease.

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