

Nativity's Turkey Dinner is Nov. 14

The Catholic Parish of the Nativity will host a Turkey Dinner with all the trimmings on Friday, Nov. 14, in Andrew Hall, 308 Guadalupe Street. Serving will begin at 5 p.m. and end with a drawing at 7. A large Australian jasper wall rosary, designed, handmade and donated by Marcella Garcia, will also be raffled that night.

The meal will consist of baked turkey, cornbread dressing, potato salad,

green beans and an assortment of pies. Individual plates will be \$6.50. Advance meal tickets and raffle tickets may be purchased at the Parish Office, 234-2842; Marcy's Beauty Salon; S&W Parts or Tresses Inc.

"We invite everyone to come out, support the Parish and eat a little turkey while I eat my veggies!" said Eddie Winkler, vegetarian Pastor of the Parish of the Nativity.



Marcella Garcia and Eddie Winkler show off the Australian jasper wall rosary which will be raffled at the Parish of the Nativity Turkey Dinner Nov. 14.
Photo Courtesy of Father Winkler

GARWOOD LIBRARY NEWS

The Garwood Veterans Memorial Library Board has been very busy updating the library. Books on the Accelerated Reading List have been purchased and processed for students to check out.

Many new books have been added to our library for adult reading. Some of the new books are *The Five People*

You Meet In Heaven by Mitch Albom, *The Wedding* by Nicholes Sparks, *The Ultimate Weight Solution* by Dr. Phil McGraw, and *A Perfect Day* by Richard Paul Evans. These books are on the bestseller list.

Have you noticed something new at the library? We have a flagpole courtesy of M.G. Lanier. Now we can fly old glory.

The library sponsored a stew supper Wednesday, Oct. 22, at the Garwood (See Library, Page 5)

A NEW ARRIVAL

Priscilla Renee Colunga

Martin and Mayra Colunga of Eagle Lake are pleased to announce the birth of their first child, a daughter, born at 5:45 p.m. October 30, 2003 at Rice Medical Center in Eagle Lake.

Priscilla Renee weighed six pounds, 10 ounces and measured 18-1/2 inches at birth.

Maternal grandparents are Juan and Blanca Montiel of Eagle Lake. Paternal grandparents are Andres and Ramona Colunga of Columbus.

Great-grandmother is Gloria Lizcano of Brookshire.

WCJC sets Spring registration dates

Wharton County Junior College (WCJC) is scheduling early registration appointments for the Spring 2004 semester. Students may make registration appointments through Nov. 26 for the Sugar Land campus and the WCJC Fort Bend Technical Center. Registration appointments are not required for the Wharton campus.

Web registration will be held Nov. 3, 2003, through Jan. 11, 2004.

Regular registration will be held Jan. 5-7. Registration appointments are required at all campus locations for regular registration.

Mildred G. 'Moma Mildred' Parker Williams

March 11, 1943 – October 28, 2003

Tuesday, October 28, 2003, Mildred G. "Moma Mildred" Parker Williams was called to her eternal rest with our Mighty God at Rice Medical Center in Eagle Lake.

On March 11, 1943, Zell T. and Lillie Lee Parker were blessed with a beautiful girl. She was named Mildred Glenn.

She grew up and attended school in the Eagle Lake Community, confessing Christ at an early age at Greater Rising Star Baptist Church. Later in her Christian life, she moved her membership to White Cloud Baptist Church under the leadership of Dr. Obie Rhodes and remained until her death.

She served on the Nursing Board, Pastor's Aide Committee and Church Choir of White Cloud Baptist Church.

She was united in holy matrimony to Allen Leo Williams.

Preceded in death by her parents; one sister, Norma Jean; and two brothers, Johnny and Calvin Sr.; she leaves to cherish her memory, her husband, Allen Leo Williams of Garwood; three daughters, Veronica (Rev. Dave) Curry and Shelba Parker (Kenneth Colson Sr.) of Eagle Lake and Jacklyn (Howard) Rogers of Houston; two brothers, Royal L. Parker Sr. of Houston and

Clyde (Lena) Parker of San Antonio; one sister-in-law, Katherine Parker of Eagle Lake; one aunt, Loreca Thomas of Eagle Lake; grandchildren, Draper (D'Andrea) Parker Sr., LaToya Parker, Raeneisha Colson, Kenneth Colson Jr., and Lilionna Curry; great grandchildren, Eylandria, Mariah, LaRon, Ashley, Raven and Draper Jr.; and a host of nieces, nephews and friends.

Funeral services were held at 11 a.m. Saturday, November 1, from White Cloud Baptist Church in Eagle Lake with Dr. Obie Rhodes, pastor, officiating.

Interment followed in Rising Star Cemetery in Eagle Lake.

Arrangements were entrusted to Ben Davis Funeral Home in Columbus.

Pallbearers were Thomas J. Carter Sr., Malcolm Thomas, Norman Henderson Jr., Andre Black, James Parker Sr. and Sherman Curry.

Honorary pallbearers were Deacons and Trustees of White Cloud Baptist Church, Royal L. Sr., Clyde L. and Draper Parker Sr., Rev. Dave Curry, Kenneth Colson Sr. and Howard Rogers.

Sympathy is extended to the family in their loss.

Constance Sodergren Schindler

July 23, 1908 – October 30, 2003

Constance Sodergren Schindler, 95, of Katy, formerly a resident of Eagle Lake, passed away at 7:35 p.m. Thursday, October 30, 2003 at the Schulenburg Regency Nursing Center.

Born July 23, 1908 in Davenport, Iowa, she was the daughter of Emma Sarah Charlotte Anderson and John Nicholas Sodergren.

She led a distinguished career as an

L.V.N., retiring in 1968, and was a member of the Methodist Church.

She was preceded in death by her parents; husband, Marcus T. Schindler (1948); sisters, Elvera Edens and Audrey Cole; and a brother, Leslie J. Sodergren.

Survivors include daughters Constance Annette Ilse and husband, Jim, of Columbus and Sylvia Schneider and husband, J.C., of Hallettsville; sister, Olga Foster, of Eagle Lake; nine grandchildren, 13 great-grandchildren, two great-great grandchildren; nieces, nephews, other relatives and loved ones.

Funeral services were held 3 p.m. Monday, November 3, from the Chapel of Dulany Funeral Home in Eagle Lake with Rev. David King, Pastor of Eagle Lake and Lehrer Memorial United Methodist Churches, presiding.

Burial followed in Lakeside Cemetery in Eagle Lake.

Dulany Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Pallbearers were Rick Webber, John Sodergren, John Zwiengel, James Hodde, John Jones and Joe Schindler.

For those desiring, the family has requested memorials be directed to United Missionary Services Inc., P.O. Box 720405, Houston, Texas 77272-0405; or the charity of choice.

Friends and family are encouraged to send tributes to www.mem.com.

Sympathy is extended to the family in their loss.



ABOUT TOWN...

News from Pedro and Hortencia Sommerlatte lets us know that their son Joey, called to say he's one of over 2,000 Army reserve troops being deployed in two weeks from Washington State. First stop... California for some desert training, then to Iraq for up to two years. The Sommerlattes, as well as we at the *Headlight*, ask that you keep Joey and all our service men and women in your prayers.

Obie 'Nick' Williams Sr.

January 20, 1922 – October 29, 2003

Obie "Nick" Williams Sr. passed away Wednesday, October 29, 2003.

He was born January 20, 1922, the last of 16 children born to Pastor Ben and Louisa Williams.

Preceded in death by his parents; survivors include his wife of 57 years, Carrie Williams; five sons, Obie Williams Jr. (Annie) of Wharton, Terry Williams (Charlotte) and John Lee Williams (Gwen) all of Elm Grove, Ernest Williams (JoAnn) of Kendleton and Maurice Williams (Vanshell) of Rosharon; three daughters, Shirley Moore (A.D.) of Glen Flora, Carolyn James of Houston, and Louisa Davis (Marvin) of East Bernard; 19 grandchildren; and a host of nieces, nephews, family and friends.

Funeral services were held Saturday, November 1, at 2 p.m. from Elm

Grove Baptist Church in Elm Grove with Rev. Naymond Williams, pastor, officiating.

Interment followed in Sandridge Cemetery in Egypt, Texas.

Arrangements were entrusted to Ben Davis Funeral Home in Columbus.

Pallbearers were Ronnie Bluntson, Hollis Lemons, A.D. Moore, Michael Black, Craig Hemphill and Cara Lemons Jr.

Honorary pallbearers were Robert Bluntson, Kevin Haynes, Anthony Haynes, Marvin Davis Sr., John Lee Williams Jr., Marvin Davis Jr., Sedrick James, Oscar James Jr. and Landy Williams.

Sympathy is extended to the family in their loss.

John Beseda, Jr.

December 15, 1936 – October 27, 2003

John Beseda, Jr., 66, of Harker Heights, Texas passed away Monday, October 27, 2003 in Temple, Texas following a sudden illness.

Born December 15, 1936 in LaGrange, to John Thomas Beseda Sr. and Evelyn Piwetz Beseda, he was raised and educated in Eagle Lake, graduating from Eagle Lake High School with the Class of 1956.

He and Patricia Russek were married July 1, 1961 and had resided in Harker Heights since 1966.

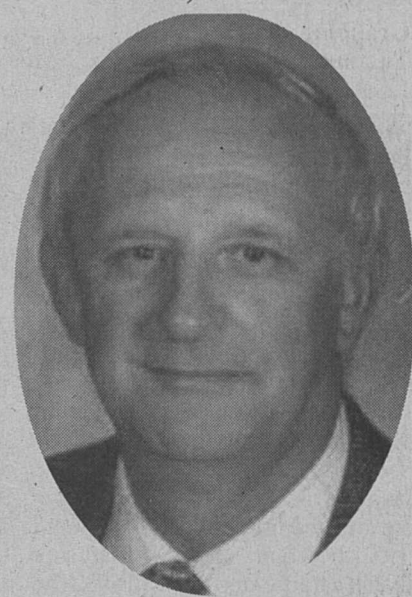
Beseda attended the University of Houston on an athletic scholarship, and then transferred to Texas A & I University at Kingsville, graduating in August 1962. He was employed with Killeen ISD since 1966 and coached 12 years with Killeen High School, 17 years at C.E. Ellison High School, 6 years as Athletic Director for the school district and retired in 2001.

Prior to Killeen, Beseda coached in Bishop, Texas (his first coaching job) and Alice, Texas. He was a member of the Texas High School Coaches Association, Texas High School Athletic Association, Killeen Retired Teachers Association, and Coach of the Year twice in District 13-5A. He was a member of St. Paul's Catholic Church in Harker Heights.

Survivors include his wife, Patricia of Harker Heights; sons, Scott Beseda of Dallas, Todd Beseda of Arlington, Brett Beseda of Huntsville; daughter, Renee Ham of Huntsville; sisters, Carol Ann Beseda of Dallas, Patricia Huffman of Rosharon; two granddaughters, other relatives and a host of loved ones.

A Rosary was held at 7 p.m., Wednesday, October 29, from the Chapel of Crawford-Bowers Funeral Home in Killeen.

Funeral services were held 9 a.m. Thursday, October 30, from St. Paul's Catholic Church in Harker Heights with Rev. Richard O'Rourke officiating. Readers included Stephanie Piwetz, Michelle Arrants; Musician, Andrea Hyde; Altar Servers, Paul Wendel, Jonathan and Justin Arrants; Eucharis-



tic Ministers, Judy Gilliland, Cecilia Piwetz, Patrick, Gertrude, James and Helen Russek, and Cynthia Wendel.

Immediately following the services in Killeen, the body was brought to Dulany Funeral Home in Eagle Lake.

The family received visitors at the Chapel of Dulany Funeral Home from 2:30 to 3:30 p.m.

Graveside services and burial followed at 4 p.m. at Lakeside Cemetery in Eagle Lake with Rev. Eddie Winkler, Pastor of the Roman Catholic Parish of the Nativity in Eagle Lake, presiding.

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

For those desiring, the family has requested memorial contributions be directed to either St. Paul's Catholic Church Building Fund or American Heart Association.

Sympathy is extended to the family in their loss.



Veterans

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to rescue Jessica Lynch. They were told there were graves of other American soldiers on the grounds. It was in the dead of night. They had no shovels. But these Army Rangers, who had come with the specific mission of rescuing a young soldier, went outside and started digging up the graves with their bare hands.

Their commander described the incident by saying, "They dug with their hands and raced the sun." Because when the sun came up they would be exposed and in great danger. They dug up the graves of every one of those young men and carried their bodies to the helicopter, the same way they carried Jessica Lynch alive. And that's because in the United States military, they live by the code, "We never leave one of our own behind."

It's that sacrifice... that fierce loyalty, which makes America the greatest nation on earth. This Veterans Day, Americans pay tribute to those extraordinary men and women who in every war have unfailingly answered the call to duty. We too remember that code and will never leave one of our own behind. Their memories will remain part of the fabric of our nation forever. To our veterans and their families: "Thank you and God Bless You."

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GREATER UNION BAPTIST CHURCH: Matthews Community, Co. Rd. 141; Rev. Lawrence C. Robertson, Pastor; 234-2581.

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

LIVING HOPE CHURCH: Eagle Lake; Revs. Joe and Mercy Flings; 234-5536.

BEREA CLADIC: 623 Maple Avenue, Eagle Lake; 234-2130.

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

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

CHRISTIAN CITY FELLOWSHIP: 1140 Meyer, Sealy; Rusty Griffin, Pastor.

THE DAY OF PENTECOST APOSTOLISTIC REVIVAL RISING STAR: FM 102 South, Matthews; 4 p.m. (at Mt. Zion), Rev. R.L. Carter Sr.

GREATER NEW FAITH CHURCH: 6406 Guylar, Wallis; Rev. Clay Spears, Pastor; 979-478-2169.

EAST BERNARD FIRST BAPTIST

FIRST BAPTIST: 527 N. Lake, Eagle Lake; Rev. Chris Thacker, Pastor; 234-2571.

FRIENDSHIP BAPTIST: 405 S. Lake, Eagle Lake; 234-5795.

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

GREATER MT. OLIVE BAPTIST: Rev. Thomas Kuykendall; 705 Lake, Eagle Lake; 234-3545.

WRIGHT GROVE BAPTIST: Rev. T.J. Cunningham Jr.; Altair.

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

CHRIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH: 306 E. Stockbridge, Eagle Lake; 234-3437.

ROCK ISLAND BAPTIST: Bob Allison, Pastor.

SHERIDAN FIRST BAPTIST: FM 2437; Rev. Mack Helms, Pastor; 234-3136.

WHITE CLOUD BAPTIST CHURCH: 202 Old Altair Road, Eagle Lake; Rev. Obie Rhodes, Pastor; 234-3800.

CHURCH OF CHRIST: Sheridan.

NEW LIFE FELLOWSHIP: Hwy. 90A, Sheridan; Del Sanford, Pastor; 234-3276.

CHRIST OUR REDEEMER-Charismatic: Jerry C. McKinney, Pastor; 979-478-7534 or 478-6512.

HOLY CROSS CATHOLIC CHURCH: East Bernard.

CATHOLIC PARISH OF THE NATIVITY: Our Lady of Perpetual Help Sanctuary; 308 N. Stevenson, Eagle Lake; 8 a.m. (Español), 10 a.m. (English), Rev. Eddie Winkler, P.O. Box 307; 234-2842.

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

GRACE LUTHERAN: 408 N. Stevenson, Eagle Lake; Services begin at 10 a.m.; Rev. Clements Richard, Pastor; 234-3381.

LEHRER MEMORIAL UNITED METHODIST: Garwood; 9 a.m. worship.

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

ROCK ISLAND METHODIST: Ken Sells Jr. Lay-Pastor.

UNITED METHODIST: 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: 1300 E. State Street, Eagle Lake; Rev. Paul Aguilar, Pastor; 234-7543.

CrossRoad ASSEMBLY OF GOD: 510 Wallace, East Bernard; Pastor George Kutach; 979-335-7706.

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

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

THE SHEPHERD'S WAY: Interdenomination Christian Fellowship; 1225 Eagle Lake Road, Sealy, Frank Lucas, Pastor; 979-885-1225.