Sheridan News

By Velma Kutzer

Lloyd, Ora and Gary Spittler enjoyed having Ora's sisters spend several days visiting with them last week. Margie McIntosh from Donaldson, Tennessee, and Elsie and Charles Oakley from Vidor also visited with their brother, Dowell Criswell and wife, Laverne, in Sheridan. Another sister, Mildred Eskine and husband, Paul, also visited in the Spittler home during the week. Other relatives spending time here were Lloyd & Elaine Lewis, Lauri Marek and children and Casey Pietka and children, Sonny & Starr Schirmer from Poteet.

Sympathy is extended to Mandy Querner and family on the loss of her grandmother, Vera Coffelt. Vera and her daughter Marcie, recently moved from Sheridan after living here for quiet some time. Burial was in Llano.

Winners of the annual Christmas lighting contest announced Monday were: first place, J.B. & Melva Quinney, second, Dennis & Wanda Zbranek; third, Maxine Alford; and honorable mention, Debra & Clay Sonntag. The local Lions Club sponsors the contest each year.

Jim and I enjoyed a quick trip to the Hill Country over the weekend. The Christmas lights throughout the countryside were just beautiful. We make this trip several times a year to visit relatives, but this time of the year is always a special time there.

Happy birthday to Alberta Pittser, Kara Simancher, John Mieth Jr., Scott Placke, Les LeBouef, Kim Cowan, Michael Clayton Sonntag, Lexey Moeckel, Madeleine LeBouef, Remy Botard, Ruth Brisco, Camile Grahmann, Chrisy Andrejczak, Lloyd Spittler, Juanita Baker, Jeremy Hill, Lavern Criswell, Dakota Kazmir, Lavo Brisco, Pam Hinze, Amelia Enty and Shelia Garza.

Sheridan Student Council held a Christmas Teddy Bear Raffle to benefit Colorado County Children's Protective Services (CPS). The drawing was held Tuesday evening after the school Christmas program.

Winners were Sheridan first graders, Justin Frederick, Charles Hubenak, Rebecca Bond and Jessica Tesch; 2nd grade, Bobbie Vanhowten; 3rd grade, Cody Atkinson; 4th grade, Hannah Jones and Samantha Bryant; 7th grade, Courtney Ross; adults, Coach Bennie Machac, Sue High and Kiki Ugarte.

The Student Council was able to raise a little over $100 for the Colorado County CPS. They extend thanks to prize donors Clarice Dumont and Juanita Childress for the lovely, brand new teddy bears and stuffed animals.

From the Kutzer home to your home, I pray that each of you will have a blessed Christmas shared with family and those dearest to you.

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Health statistics related to female fertility have changed in recent years due to a delay in childbearing by many women. While the ability to have a baby decreases about 5% a year, each year after age 30, tweny percent of American women now deliver their first child after the age of 35. Fortunately, there are medical options available to help with issues related to compromised fertility and complications of pregnancy. Ovulation kits and basal body temperature thermometers offer ways to help women determine ovulation time.

If a woman has not ovulated in a long time, *clomiphene* (Clomid or Serophene) may be used to restart the process. Hormones such as *Pergonal* (a combination of follicle stimulating hormone and luteinizing hormone) or *urofollitropin* (Metrodin) can also be used to increase fertility. The government recently approved *choriogonadotropin* (Ovidel) making it the first ready-to-inject fertility therapy for home use. In addition, *Letrozole* (Femara) is a drug used in breast cancer treatment that has been found to increase ovulation. *Rosiglitazone* (Avandia) and *pioglitazone* (Actos) are diabetes medicines that can alleviate impaired ovulation that is due to insulin resistance.

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CCEEA holds luncheon

By Catherine Berger

The Colorado County Extension Education Association (CCEEA) held their Achievement Day Luncheon at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Columbus Dec. 3 at 9:30 a.m. with theme of red hats and purple attire.

After judging the attire, Anita Meismer was awarded a certificate for most unique hat.

After the Association meeting and judging of cultural arts, LaJuan Braden was awarded grand champion for her entry in the photography division.

Beverly Tuck reported that 1,506 raffle tickets were sold. The Gadabouts sold 423, more than the other clubs, and Tuck presented the Gadabouts with a $25 check.

Area residents winning prizes were: Brooke Popp, $25 Wal-Mart gift card; Patsy Turner, four Columbus Opry tickets; Casey Matzke, snack gift basket; Thomas Wendel, gift basket; and Katie Kunz, $100 Wal-Mart gift card.

Membership certificates were awarded by Tuck to Lorene Bubela for a five-year member and to Ella Buzek as a 15-year member.

At the presentation of the Woman of the Year awards for 2003, Catherine Berger was selected by the Gadabouts and received an award from Tuck.

Meismer presented a token gift of appreciation to Tuck for her many hours of service to the CCEEA and the county clubs.

The Gadabouts were in charge of presenting the food and a delicious luncheon was enjoyed by the approximately 80 persons attending, including from the Gadabouts: Meismer, Helen Noteboom, Kunz, Clara Gold, Clara Lobpries, Minnie Conner, Edna Shimek, Lucille Till and Berger.

After the luncheon, door prizes were drawn. Kunz, Lobpries, Berger and Conner were among the winners.

A New Arrival

Megan Elizabeth Marolda

Larry and Tricia Marolda of Larch Mont, New York, are pleased to announce the birth of their second child, a daughter, born December 22, 2003 at 2:15 a.m.

Megan Elizabeth weighed seven pounds, two ounces.

She was welcomed home by her big brother, Michael, 2-1/2.

Proud maternal grandparents are John and Marilyn Thomas of Fredericksburg, who are in Larch Mont to spend the holidays and visit family.

Paternal grandparents are Sheryl Pearlman and Ralph Moralda of New York.

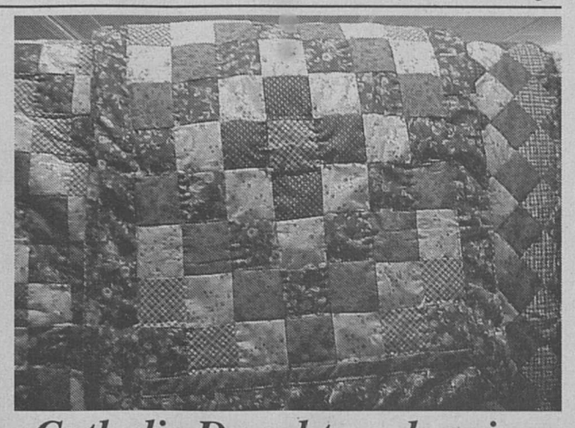
Maternal great-grandmother is Pearl Ulrich of Eagle Lake.

Bible Verse of the Week

"Behold, a virgin shall be with child, and shall bring forth a son, and they shall call his name Emmanuel, which being interpreted is, God is with us."

— Matthew 1:23.

Submitted by Carol Cardenas



Catholic Daughters drawing

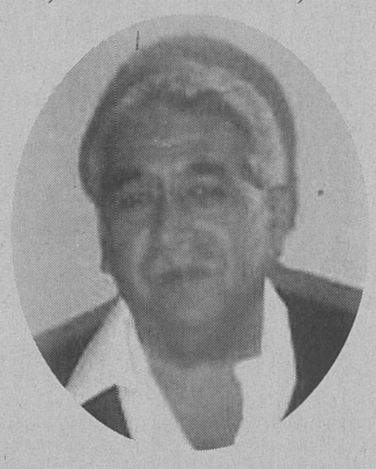
Catholic Daughters Court Our Lady of the Fields #2465 will hold its 2nd annual quilt drawing Monday, Jan. 26, 2004 at their monthly meeting. All proceeds from the raffle will go towards scholarships.

Above pictured is item two, a Hunter Green king size quilt with shams and throw. The quilt is on display at ELC Internet Services, 105 N. McCarty.

You can purchase raffle tickets from any Catholic Daughter member or Glenda Moore, Quilt Committee Chairman, 979-234-5955.

Obituaries

Nick Garza _ March 12, 1941 – December 20, 2003



Nick Garza, 62, of East Bernard, passed away at 2:41 p.m., Saturday, December 20, 2003 at Polly Ryon Memorial Hospital in Richmond.

Born March 12, 1941 in Harwood, Texas, he was the son of Alfonso and Sabina Carillo Garza.

A resident of East Bernard for most his life, he was retired from Hudson Products in nearby Beasley and had currently been serving as maintenance man for Cotton Acres Development of East Bernard.

Nick married Alice Martinez on May 6, 1967 in East Bernard.

He was preceded in death by his parents; a daughter, Estella Morin; sister, Shelia Guerro; and two brothers, George Garza and Juan Garza.

Survivors include his wife, Alice Martinez Garza of East Bernard; daughters and sons-in-law, Helen Garza of Lewisville, Texas, Belinda and Joe Hernandez and Christina and Joe Martinez of East Bernard; son, Nicholas Garza of Rosenberg; sisters, Lori Garcia and Irene Cantu of Rosenberg and Dominga Rosales of Damon, Texas; brothers, Alfonso Garza and Masario Garza of Rosenberg; seven grandchildren, numerous nieces, nephews, other relatives and loved ones.

A prayer service was held at 7 p.m. Monday, December 22, from the Chapel of Dulany Funeral.

Funeral services followed at 11 a.m. Tuesday, December 23, with Rev. Daniel Esparza of Rosenberg officiating.

Burial followed in Holy Cross Cemetery in East Bernard.

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

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

Sympathy is extended to the family in their loss.

Dignity Memorial

Earl Patrick Schube Sr.

November 2, 1913 – December 18, 2003

Earl Patrick Schube Sr., 90, of Sheridan, passed away Thursday, December 18, 2003 at his residence.

Born November 2, 1913 in Charleston, West Virginia, he was the son of Albert and Ester Pearl Purcell Schube.

An Army veteran of World War II, Schube worked as a store manager in a department store and was of Episcopalian faith.

Preceded in death by his parents; wife, Laura Meyer Schube; brothers, Purcell and Albert Schube; and sisters, Elizabeth and Pearl Meyer; survivors include daughters, Ester Pearl Schube of Salt Lake City, Utah, and Sandra Lynn Deming of Austin; sons, Earl P. Schube Jr. of Willis and John L. Schube of Bentonville, Arkansas; and four grandchildren, Hedi Deming, and Curtis, Douglas and Melissa Schube.

A private family service was held.

Henneke Funeral Home in Columbus was in charge of arrangements.

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