

Guerra, Contreras wed in Wharton Nov. 21

Grisel Guerra of Wharton became the bride of Mark Contreras of Eagle Lake at the American Legion Hall in Wharton at 5 p.m. November 21, 2003. Pastors Joe and Mercy Fling of Living Hope Church in Eagle Lake officiated the ceremony.

Grisel is the daughter of Robert and Leticia Hengeveld of Wharton.

Mark is the son of Larry and Sylvia Contreras of Eagle Lake.

The bride was escorted by her step-father, Robert Hengeveld.

Serving as Maid of Honor was Crystal Guerra, sister of the bride. Gus Seaholm served as Best Man.

The ringbearer was Steve Torrez and the flower girl was Nerissa Contreras, daughter of the bride and groom.

The couple departed for the Austin/San Antonio area for their honeymoon.

Mark will be leaving in Jan. for the Army where he will train at Fort Knox, Kentucky and serve in active duty for three years.



Berger chosen 'Woman of the Year'

Colorado County Extension Education Association (CCEEA) officers visited the Nada/Garwood Gadabouts at Helen Noteboom's home Dec. 18 when Catherine Berger was honored as "Woman of the Year".

Pictured during the gathering are, from top to bottom, Dorothy McKinney, CCEEA Secretary; Caden Van Court, Viola Frels, Virginia Balusek, Barbara Prause, Messenger Reporter; Helen Noteboom, Clara Gold, Clara Bruemmer, Ella Buzek, Beverly Tuck, CCEEA Chairman; Karol Kallina, Lucille Till, Anita Meisner, Lorene Bubela, Minnie Lee Conner, Edna Shimek, Woman of the Year Catherine Berger; Leona Wesselski, Kati Kunz, Jessie Pavlicek, Tina Till and Tillie Janish.

Photo by La Juan Braden

Chamber Nov. meeting

By Barbara Class
Lunch Forum Chairman

The Nov. 17 Eagle Lake Chamber of Commerce Lunch Forum was held at Sportsman's Restaurant with guest speaker Dr. John B. Myres, DDS.

Myres grew up around Missouri City and attended four years of dental school at The University of Texas in Houston. Then attended another two years of continued education.

Dr. Myres graduated from U.T. in 1988, worked for a dentist in Texas City for two or three years and decided he would like to go into private practice. He and his wife, Laura, toured different towns on the weekend and spoke to the Chamber of Commerce offices in each town to see if there was a need for a dentist in the areas.

Also in consideration was a need for his children to grow up in a smaller town.

He considered Port Lavaca as suggested by a friend of his father's who happens to be a dentist, but decided against it. He then remembered what a nice town Eagle Lake seemed to be as he'd driven through previously. He learned of the practice of Dr. David Euers who was leaving town and purchased this practice from him.

In his practice, he does orthodontics, root canals, oral surgery, dentures, braces, teeth cleaning and more. He receives approximately a third of his business from Sealy; the rest comes from all over Colorado County.

Assistants in his office are Jennifer Obenhaus, Christi Stancik and Laura.

The Myres have three children. He is active in little league, Rotary, Chamber and more. His choosing Eagle Lake in which to settle has been a great asset to the community.

Dixon receives national award

Luke Dixon of Huntsville has been chosen to participate in ARTS Week, Jan 6-11, 2004 in Miami, Florida, the national finals of the National Foundation for Advancement in the Arts' (NFAA) Arts Recognition and Talent Search (ARTS) program.

Dixon was selected from over 6,500 ARTS program applicants from across the U.S. A total of 125 finalists in the performing, visual and literary arts will attend the week of final auditions, master classes, workshops and showcase performances. He is listed as one of 10 chosen in the category of theater performance. For a complete list of ARTS finalist by state and by discipline, go to www.ARTSawards.org.

The artists will be judged to receive individual cash ARTS awards ranging from \$100 to \$10,000. In all, finalists will share in an awards package of up to \$900,000 and share in \$3 million in scholarship opportunities through NFAA's Scholarship List Service. Up to 50 of the finalists will be nominated as Presidential Scholars in the Arts.

NFAA, at the exclusive request of the Commission on Presidential Scholars, is the sole nominating body for selection of the artist scholars. Ultimately, the Commission will select 20 art scholars who will join 121 academic scholars for National Recognition Week in Washington, D.C. in June. The



week includes a White House-sponsored Medallion Ceremony. The performing artists will be showcased in a performance at the Kennedy Center; the visual and literary artists will have their works exhibited in a Smithsonian Museum.

Dixon, a senior at Huntsville High School, is currently performing as Charlie Brown in the musical, "You're A Good Man, Charlie Brown."

The son of Dale and Candyce Dixon of Huntsville, he is the grandson of William and Helyn Farris of Eagle Lake.

After graduation, he plans to pursue a degree in musical theater.

Natives part of state-winning team

When the Katy Tigers defeated Southlake Carroll for the State 5A football title Saturday, Dec. 20, in San Antonio's Alamodome, Darren Konesheck was there to help the Tigers to victory.

This is the third State 5A title for Katy High School (KHS) and the Konesheck brothers have played in all three. Participating Saturday was Darren, son of Karen and Russell Konesheck of Katy (formerly of Eagle Lake), a sophomore at KHS who fol-

lows in the footprints of his two older brothers, Michael helped Katy earn the state title in 1997; and Eric was part of the 2000 state title team.

Attending the game Saturday were Darren's parents, Katie, Eric, Michael and Heather Konesheck, David and Josh Euers, Les Euers and Charlene Konesheck. Locally, relatives watched the game on the Fox Sports Network.

Katy's victory Saturday, by a score of 16-15, gave Southlake Carroll its first loss of the year.

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ter of ceremonies...

Riley Wiese receives God & Country Scouting Award at Colly Methodist Church...

Emily Birdwell in WCJC radio skit...

Scoutmaster Clifford Wiese's Troop 334 Scouts win field events at weekend camp near Bellville...

The Fred R. Frnkas and Clyde Nispels attend open house at new CPL plant in Victoria.

Carl Seaholm III honored on third birthday...

Jo Ann Sens, Doris Alley, Jo Ann Konvicka, Wanda Scott and Gail Beyette win first division in region twirling meet and Konvicka wins first in solo division...

Eagle Lake girl cagers, led by Shirley Frnkas's 24 points, nudge Louise in overtime...

Mary Ann Popp crowned Nada's Harvest Queen by Culp Krueger, mas-

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Vanessa Jean...

Mr. & Mrs. Anthony V. Kallina of Garwood announced the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Brenda Jane, to Douglas Kent Berger, son of Mr. & Mrs. Allan R. Berger of Port O'Connor. The wedding is calendared for Jan. 5, 1980 at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Nada...

Robert & Maxine Griffith moved into their beautiful new home on Laughlin Rd. between the Richard Clipson and L. Bauer homes.

Dec. 8, 1955

William R. Wyatt awarded Wood Badge Beads for Scouting leadership and son, Hal, the rank of Eagle Scout at District Meeting...

Ralph Johnston and E.J. Gracey join Oscar Wegenhoft and A.R. Rolf as owners of Garwood Dehydrating plant in Garwood...

Rev. Warren Beale is the new president of Ministerial Alliance...

Clyde P. Brown succeeds W.L. Coffey as superintendent at TGT Plant at Chesterville. Coffey is going to Aqua Dulce for health reasons...

Rock Island School closed for the day due to a number of cases of scarlet fever, reported Supt. J.W.L. Sutherland. Dr. J.C. Laughlin, local physician, says the situation is under control...

Arthur Anderson in Army's Sage Brush exercise in Louisiana...

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Foot Facts
By Dr. Eric Tepper, Podiatrist
BEST WALKING CITIES
Boston, New York, and San Francisco have been named the top three walking cities in the country by the American Podiatric Medical Association. The APMA surveyed the most populated U.S. cities to find the most walker-friendly metropolises. Factors considered included how many people walk to work regularly, air quality, number of parks, number of available podiatrists, and number of health clubs and sports stores. The top 10 cities selected all have a government-appointed walking coordinator hired to develop walking programs and encourage the activity citywide. Walking helps control weight, cholesterol, and blood sugar levels. It improves cardiovascular fitness and circulation and reduces stress. Combined with a healthy diet, it is one of the best ways to stay healthy.
Feet must endure a tremendous pounding on a daily basis, whether walking for exercise or just making their way through everyday activities. Walking on cement, for instance, can give each foot a 180-pound jolt with every step. This wear and tear can take its toll, sometimes even causing stress fractures and broken bones. Combine this with poorly fitting shoes and you can end up with a lot of pain and an inability to move with ease. Don't let this happen to you. Professional, compassionate foot care is available at Rice Medical Center. Call 234-5571 for an appointment. Office hours are on Tuesdays.
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