

Colorado County Courthouse Report

Civil Suit Filed In District Court

One civil suit was filed in the past week in Colorado County District Court.

On May 9, The Cit-Group-Sales Financing Inc. filed suit against Reva and Robert West in a dispute over payments for a manufactured home.

The suit claims there is a default on payments on the home and that \$86,296 is due.

Marriage Licenses Issued
Robert Franklin Sampson and Phyllis Carole Hurosky, April 28.
Edward James Bell and Monika

Renee Cheek, May 1.
Jeffrey Arnold Neu and Danalyn Sklar, May 2.
Michael Arnell Davis and Pamela Linnie Black, May 2.
Clarence David Munsch and Jean-nine Ann Elaklout, May 3.
Lenard Scott Glass and Crystelda Salas, May 5.
Garrett Frank Skutca and Rose Marie Stevens, May 5.
Chad Wayne Brune and Jennifer Lynn Caln, May 8.
James Lee Henneke and Victoria Maria Zebrowski, May 8.

Divorces Granted
Carroll Slater and Michael Slater, May 4.
Shirley Jordan and Hershall Jordan Jr., May 4.
Michelle Valles and Daniel Lopez, May 4.
Christine Taylor and Randy Jurek, May 4.

Divorces Filed
Alma Nagessar and Philip Nages-sar, May 5.
Patrick H. Smith and Cecelia R. Smith, May 5.
Rosa Linda Hinson and Woodrow Wilson III, May 8.

Happy 11th Birthday Nic



May 9

With Love From the ones always here for you,
Mom, Nina, Chloe

Milk Production Up Fourteen Percent

Texas milk production totaled 656 million pounds during March, up 14.9 percent from last year's production of 571 million pounds. February 2006 production totaled 570 million pounds.

The number of milk cows during March averaged 328,000 head, up 10,000 head from last year and up 3,000 head from the February 2006 number.

Production per cow averaged 2,000 pounds during March, 205 pounds more than last year and 245 pounds more than February 2006.

Milk production in the 23 states participating in the monthly survey totaled 14.6 billion pounds, up 5.5 percent from production in these same states in March 2005.

February revised production, at 13.0 billion pounds, was up 5.9 percent from February 2005.

Production per cow during March averaged 1,773 pounds, 66 pounds above a year ago.

The average number of milk cows in the 23 states was 8.22 million head, 124,000 head more than last year and 17,000 head more than February 2006.



The home of Joanne and Lonnie Mrazek was named Yard of the Month for May. Their home is located at 716 Partridge Lane.

May Yard Of Month Announced

Joanne and Lonnie Mrazek at 716 Partridge Lane have earned Yard of the Month for May with their beautiful front yard.

The spring display of flowers is so colorful with, pansies, petunias, snap dragons, ruella, and many begonias. This all against a background of variegated privets and azaleas. There is also a wonderful display of pink nearly

wild roses.

The Mrazeks moved into their new home on New Years Eve in 2004.

Lonnie was employed by Texas Gulf Sulphur in Bay City for 36 years and Joanne was employed by the Boling Independent School District for 18 years. Their daughter lives in Missouri City with her husband and their two sons. Their son lives in the

Conroe area with his wife and their two daughters.

Since their retirement Joanne and Lonnie, who are both avid gardeners enjoy their time in the yard where Lonnie keeps the grass mowed and takes care of a garden in the back yard while Joanne enjoys starting new plants from cuttings.

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Texas Volunteers Camp At Historic Home

"This Lone Star Battle Flag of the First Texas Infantry was known as the 'Wigfall Flag.' The 5 x 8 foot silk flag was made by Mrs. Louis T. Wigfall, and presented to the regiment in 1861. The battle honors were added in the summer of 1862. The Wigfall flag, along with nine flag bearers, was lost in what was arguably the most vicious fight of the war at Sharpsburg, Maryland on September 17, 1862."—website of Texas Brigade

During the Live Oak Festival, Friday, May 19 – Sunday, May 21, the First Texas Volunteer Infantry Regiment, will set up an encampment behind the 1867 Tate-Senftenberg-Brandon House Museum, 616 Walnut St., located just a couple of blocks west of the town square in Columbus.

Jeff L. Thompson, a member of the regiment says, "The regiment is a member of the 19th Century Living History Association, Inc., a non-profit organization that strives to keep the history of the soldiers who so gallantly fought during the War Between the States alive, both North and South."

And now, in the heart of Columbus, the regiment will set up camp on Friday evening and will remain there through Sunday afternoon so that visitors can come and see living-history vignettes. "Living-history may be best defined as activities depicting historical events and people with the clothing, equipment, food and speech of the time; and having the knowledge and understanding of an actual occurrence so as to historically relive the event. Units of the 1st Texas Infantry are committed in spirit and deed to the historically accurate portrayal of the gallant men who served in the companies of this renowned regiment.

"The 1st Texas Infantry was one of the core regiments in 'Hood's



Texas Brigade", arguably the most celebrated infantry brigade in the Confederate Army. It was the only Texas unit in General Robert E. Lee's Army of Northern Virginia. The 1st Texas was recruited largely from East Texas in April 1861 after the opening shots of the War Between the States, and was the only regiment in the Confederate Army comprised of twelve companies. The regulations called for ten. All of the companies made their way piecemeal to Virginia in the spring and summer of 1861. Later that fall with the arrival of the 4th and 5th Texas, the 1st Texas and its colonel, Louis Trezevant Wigfall, (being promoted to brigadier-general), was assigned to the new Texas Brigade. The frontier Texans, who were admired as the best riders and riflemen in the army, began their almost matchless and unsurpassed march across the pages of history" as you can read on their website www.texas-brigade.com.

Thompson says, "Our encampment will be set up in 'Company Streets', where each Company is set

up individually with two rows of tents (the 'street' running between the tents) and adjacent to the other Company. We plan to live in the period at the camp site, where we will cook, drill in the School of the Soldier..."

Come out and see the men in action. And take the opportunity to tour the Tate-Senftenberg-Brandon House, Museum, Dilue Rose-Harris House, Museum, Alley Log Cabin and Antique Tool Museum, and the Mary Elizabeth Hopkins Santa Claus Museum on Saturday from 1 p.m. – 4 p.m. Other Columbus Historical Preservation Trust activities include the dinner theatre, production of "The Foreigner" at the 1886 Stafford Opera House on Saturday evening, with dinner at 6 p.m. and show at 6:45 p.m.; the presentation of and reception for the Magnolia Belles at the Stafford Opera House on Friday evening at 7 p.m., and presentation of the Belles on the south side of the courthouse square on Saturday at 12 noon. For more information on any of these events call 979-732-5135 or 1-877-444-7339.

ACS Reminds Moms To Take Care Of Selves

The American Cancer Society encourages women to take steps to reduce their risk for cancer through prevention and early detection practices. Cancer is the second leading cause of death among women with

lung cancer being the top killer followed by breast and colon cancers. Many cancers are linked to nutrition, physical inactivity, obesity and other lifestyle factors including smoking.

But there is hope; by following

simple measures women can reduce their risk for cancer and other diseases. Women are encouraged to:

- Follow the American Cancer Society screening guidelines available online at www.cancer.org or by calling 800-ACS-2345. Get regular health check ups. Visit with physicians about screening tests for breast, colon, cervical and skin cancer and based on their history determine how often they should be tested.

- Eat a variety of healthful foods, emphasizing plant sources such as vegetables, fruits, and whole grains, limit red meat, adopt a physically active lifestyle, maintain a healthful weight throughout life and limit alcohol consumption.

- Don't smoke. The American Cancer Society can help smokers quit through telephone counseling sessions by calling 800-ACS-2345.

- Avoid sun exposure. Skin cancer is the most common form of cancer, the most serious form, malignant melanoma, will be diagnosed in about 62,190 people in 2006.

The American Cancer Society is the nationwide community-based voluntary health organization dedicated to eliminating cancer as a major health problem by preventing cancer, saving lives, and diminishing suffering from cancer, through research, education, advocacy, and service. For more information on cancer prevention, early detection and services call the American Cancer Society at 1-800-ACS-2345 or visit www.cancer.org.

LCRA Assists With Wildfire Responses

At the request of local agencies, LCRA Rangers have responded to 12 wildland fires in LCRA's service area so far this year.

Rangers provided assistance such as traffic control, help in locating reported fires and investigating the cause of the fires.

Two of the fires were in LCRA parks, and the others occurred on private properties in Llano, Burnet and Travis counties. Fires at LCRA's Turkey Bend and Shaffer recreation

areas burned less than 10 acres each, due to the quick response by area firefighters.

Wildfires experts say that 2006 could be among the worst on record for acres burned nationwide.

Windy, dry conditions have contributed to the high number of fires in Texas, which has lost more than 1.3 million acres to wildfires to date. Burn bans are in effect in all of LCRA's parks.

Open House

You are invited to learn about a proposed project that would help secure the region's future water supply

The Lower Colorado River Authority will host informational meetings about the LCRA-SAWS Water Project. We invite you to attend any of three open houses that explain the following:

- The project and where facilities might be located
- LCRA's property access and acquisition policies
- How you can get involved in the process

We will seek your comments on possible sites and selection criteria for project facilities.

The open houses will be from 6 to 8 p.m. as follows:

- **May 18, Bay City Civic Center, 201 W. 7th Street, Bay City**
- **May 22, Colorado County Ag Complex, 1146 Crossroads Blvd. (Hwy 71 Bypass), Columbus**
- **May 25, El Campo Civic Center, 2350 N. Mechanic St., El Campo**

For more information, call LCRA at 800-776-5272, Ext. 7208, Dick Hudgins in Wharton at (979) 532-0007, Erwin Ward in Bay City at (979) 245-5522, or visit our Web site at www.lcra.org/lswp.



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