

Obituary

Elizabeth (Lizzie) "Sister Babe" Tillman

On January 27, 1926, in Eagle Lake, a baby girl was born to Percy Williams and Texana Foster. They named her Elizabeth.

Lizzie attended school in Eagle Lake, (R.B. Area). She confessed her life to Christ at an early age at the Mt. Carmel Baptist Church under the leadership of Rev. W.M. Banks.

Later, she moved her membership to White Cloud Baptist Church under the Pastoral Leadership of Rev. T. Gordon. She remained faithful with the Usher's Auxiliary, under the Pastoral leadership of Rev. O. Rhodes, until she became ill in February of 1994.

She departed this life, Sunday October 1, at 5:15 p.m. at Oak Bend Medical Center in Richmond.

She was united in marriage to Mr. Leo Tillman, Jr.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Leo Tillman, Jr.; son, Obie Tillman; daughter, Rose Brown; two brothers, Charles Williams and John Lee Haynes; and two grandchildren, Shayne Tillman and Tasha Powell.

She leaves to mourn her passing, her caregivers; daughter and son-in-law, Wilma and Kado Powell, Jr. of Sealy; sons, Doug-

las (Ada) Tillman, John (Linda) Tillman of Eagle Lake, Tommie (Lucia) of Phoenix, Arizona, Tony (Coretha) Tillman and Curtis (Myrtle) Tillman of San Felipe; daughters, Vera Tillman of Phoenix, Lois (Bobby Jo) Glover of Glidden, Beverly (Alfred) Denley; daughter-in-law; Marilyn Tillman of Phoenix; one sister, Rosie M. Owens of LaMarque; one brother, James (Betty) Williams of Missouri City; a host of grandchildren, great-grandchildren, nieces, nephews, relatives and many, many sorrowing friends.

Funeral services were held Saturday, October 7 at noon from White Cloud Baptist Church in Eagle Lake with Rev. Truman Scott, Sr., officiating. Interment followed in Rising Star Cemetery in Eagle Lake. Final arrangements entrusted to Ben Davis Funeral Home in Columbus.

Pallbearers were Alfred Denley, Douglas Tillman, Jr., Chris Herrera, Marcus Tillman, James Torres and John Tillman, Jr.

Honorary pallbearers were Kado Powell, Jr., John Tillman, Curtis Tillman, Larry Toliver, Douglas Tillman, Tommie Tillman and Tony Tillman.

Sympathy is extended to the family in their loss.

Tintypes Opens Season At Stafford Opera

The 2006-07 dinner theatre season at the 1886 Stafford Opera House in Columbus begins with Tintypes: A Nostalgic Musical Revue, a must-see production on Saturday, October 14 and what better venue than this historic opera house to showcase the story of changing times blazing to life in a tuneful, high-spirited, fast stepping brew of popular songs from 1890 to 1917.

The Stafford Opera House, 425 Spring Street in Columbus, is proud to present The Violet Crown Players and OnStage Theatre Company in this 2006-07 dinner theatre season opening performance that focuses on five archetypes of the period: the outrageous Teddy Roosevelt; Anna Held, the beautiful music hall star; Emma Goldman, the notorious socialist; an African-American domestic worker; and a Chaplin-esque Russian immigrant. All their stories are portrayed through music, dance, vaudeville, and comedic silent movie skits.

Tintypes features golden oldies such as Yankee Doodle Dandy, Ta Ra Ra Boom De Ay, A Hot Time in the Old Town Tonight, Meet Me in St. Louis, Kentucky Babe, I'll Take You Home Again Kathleen, I Don't Care, Hello Ma Baby, America the Beautiful, You're a Grand Old Flag, Toyland,

Ragtime Nightingale and many more.

The story is told in the exuberant words and music of the day and chronicles the growing pains of our nation at the end of an era. Like Ragtime this nostalgic but thrilling revue takes us back to turn of the century America, when the innocent, slower-paced days of ice cream socials and bustled skirts are giving way to the age of invention as automobiles, electricity and the telephone are introduced. It is also a time of growing social turmoil, as increased immigration begins to change the cultural and ethnic makeup of the nation.

Don't miss this production conceived by Mary Kyte with Mel Marvin and Gary Pearle, musical and vocal arrangements by Mel Marvin and orchestrations and vocal arrangements by John McKinney. And of course our friend, Michael Stuart of OnStage Theatre Company, is directing this sure-fire hit.

Get ready for this nostalgic fun-filled evening of good food and enjoyable entertainment. Buy your tickets now at the Stafford Opera House, 425 Spring Street in Columbus or call 979-732-5135 or 1-877-444-7339 for tickets or information. Attire for the evening is casual. The expectations for a



Stafford Opera House Opens its season with "Tintypes" on October 14.

wonderful night out on the town is on high alert.

The show's main focus is on five archetypes of the period: the outrageous Teddy Roosevelt; Anna Held, the beautiful music hall star; Emma Goldman, the notorious socialist; an African-American domestic worker; and a Chaplin-esque Russian immigrant. All of their stories are portrayed through music, dance, vaudeville, and comedic silent movie skits.

Tintypes will both charm you and give you a fresh perspective on what it means to be an American as you listen to golden oldies such as Yankee Doodle Dandy, Ta Ra Ra Boom De Ay, A Hot Time in the Old Town Tonight, Meet Me in St. Louis, Kentucky Babe, I'll Take You Home Again Kathleen, I Don't Care, Hello Ma Baby,

America the Beautiful, You're a Grand Old Flag, Toyland, Ragtime Nightingale and many more.

Enjoy social hour at 5:30 p.m., dinner at 6:30 p.m. and then the curtain opens at 7:30 p.m. Attire is casual, the dinner is crowd pleasing good, and the entertainment will be delightful.

Get your tickets now for this season's opening show and remember it is not too late to become a season ticket holder. Season ticket holders get one production free, get preferred seating and are treated to a Sip Champagne With The Stars reception. This year the reception will be with Jeryl Hoover and the cast of Dracula: The Musical? on Saturday, November 11.

For tickets or information call 979-732-5135 or 1-877-444-7339.

Views Around the Lake



By Cindy Klopsteck

"The man who does not read good books has no advantage over the man who cannot read them."
—Mark Twain

Sitting in the early morning light this particular Saturday drinking a hot cup of delicious creamed coffee, petting the snoozing dog on my lap, reading - and no one can tell me not to - the banned book "The Catcher in the Rye" - now that's a good way to spend a leisurely Saturday morning.

October is National Book Month - appropriately following Banned Book Week that I assisted the American Library Association in recognizing at the end of September. The good news is we have a whole month to officially celebrate it, and avid readers can unofficially extend that celebration throughout the entire year. Two recent developments in Eagle Lake reinforce the pleasure and popularity of book

reading.

The Wintermann Library Book Discussion Group has formed and meets the first Monday of each month at 2 p.m. in the library. All interested readers are welcome. These type groups are interesting sources of sharing insight into books that most people do not pick up on their own.

And we all benefit from reading just outside our particular realm of interest. The November book is "Reading Lolita in Tehran" by Azar Nafisi, discussion to be led by Diane Tucker. The December book is "The Kite Runner," by Khaled Hosseini, a recent Houston Books on the Bayou selection. Librarian Vicki Powers stated that the library is very excited by this new program, and selected books will be available at the library or can be ordered to purchase.

Another reading opportunity is now located at The Wild Goose Chase, recently opened bookstore and coffee bar. Owner Linda Schmoker has turned her interest in books and her extended personal library into a store full of books, new and used, and delicious coffees, teas and pastries. I was drawn to the comfortable, stuffed chairs in the reading room, but my special delight was finding the children's (fun) reading room complete with lovely decorated walls and a tempting, perfectly-sized picnic table placed right in the center. Who, at any age, could pass up a room boasting large letters that read "Find Buried Treasure.... Read a Book"? And Ms. Schmoker says not to let any of the bookshelves confine your search for the perfect read. She can special order almost any book you are looking for - just ask her.

Thinking back to the way my day started, I asked Ms. Schmoker what her favorite reading scenario would include. She said she would be curled up with a good book and a hot cup of delicious, flavored coffee.

I like her way of thinking - I'd just throw in my miniature dog Corky for extra comfort.

"Outside of a dog, a man's best friend is a good book."

—Groucho Marx

Muziky, Muziky Slated Oct. 21 In La Grange

The Texas Czech Heritage and Cultural Center in La Grange will present their Third Annual "Muziky, Muziky" on Saturday, October 21 at 7 p.m. at the Sanford Schmid Amphitheater.

Entertainment for the evening will start at 5 p.m. with music by the Shiner Hobo Band. Come early to visit with friends. Sub sandwiches and drinks will be available from 4:30 to 9 p.m.

This year's theme is "Youth Carrying on the Tradition" - closing the generation gap through traditional Czech entertainment from the young at heart to the young of age.

Talented young dancers are on the program. To name a few: Katie and John Pedersen of Houston will perform dances from the

Bohemian region of the Czech Republic. Also to perform will be the District II Youth Beseda Dancers from the Temple area, and the Texas Czech Mates from Lewisville and College Station will sing and play traditional Czech songs. The New Tabor SPJST Youth Beseda Dancers will perform a variety of dances.

The public is invited to help celebrate this event. October is Czech Heritage Month. If you have a Czech costume, wear it and join in the festivities.

Shiner Hobo Band - 5 p.m.; Muziky, Muziky - 7-9 p.m.

Tickets are as follows: Adults--\$5. Age 17 and under FREE. For further information, call 1-888-785-4500 or 979-968-9399 or e-mail: czech@cvtv.net.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear Joe Beal, LCRA Director

Haven't heard from you lately so I'll update you on my observations in the lower three counties.

I read where you and the Board of LCRA have presented us with a resolution informing us of the merits of the LCRA/SAWS project. And other supporters of yours are busy promoting your project.

However, your resolution and your supporter's articles continue to ignore the concerns of other citizens.

Here are the actions you should be on record supporting. Again item by item.

1. Land—No Eminent Domain or Condemnation
2. Taxes—all taxes will be paid annually at appraised value for LCRA or SAWS on land removed from tax rolls.
3. Groundwater—No

groundwater to San Antonio. This issue addressed in easements to be transported through these lines.

4. Aquifer—All well usage of ground water to be metered and monitored by the Groundwater District and shared with Colorado County.

Item 3 will fulfill LCRA's promise, HG 1692, Robby Cook and the LCRA/SAWS contract. However we realize that personnel changes, as do House Bills, that's where you could add credence and leadership by use of this clause in your easements. Otherwise, we will continue to believe that the 70 wells are intended for other than Inter-Basin use. The deal is your to make. You have the opportunities to resolve a lot of concerns. Accept no excuses.

Look forward to your insight.
Sincerely,
R Richard Heffley
Director
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Bible Verse of The Week

"Draw near to God and he will draw near to you, cleanse your hands, you sinners, and purify your hearts, you men of double mind."
— James 4:8
Submitted by Neddy Phillips

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