



The John Everett Chapter of the Daughter of the American Revolution recently selected five area students for their Good Citizen award. Above, from left, are: Laura Ann Rau, chapter regent, Hannah Stavinoha, Lauren Berger, Clayton Bowen, Lauren Ulcak, and Sonya Saul, Good Citizen chairperson.

## Big Band Event March 3

Get your friends together now and make plans to reserve a table at the Big Band Extravaganza at the Stafford Opera House in Columbus on Saturday March 3.

Have a glass of wine or beverage of choice and enjoy hors d'oeuvres with friends from 6-7 and then choose juicy and tender prime rib or tasty grilled chicken breast, as your dinner entrée.

Dinner, from 7-8, will be served with a complimentary bottle of wine per table, twice-baked potatoes, green beans, and layered salad. Pecan pie will be dessert.

Then enjoy the performance of the Sentimental Journey Orchestra from 8-11. This 3-hour performance by the Sentimental Journey Orchestra, Ted Conerly, The Memphis Belles and Jesse Boatright will have you swinging, dancing, singing along, humming or tapping your toe because one thing is for sure, this music makes you want to move.

It makes you want to have a good time. Enjoy once again the glamour of the great girl singers from the big band era. You will be glad you took a sentimental journey back to the time of the big bands.

Just by coming to Big Band Extravaganza you could win four Astro tickets; or four rodeo tickets; or a giclee of a painting of Sam Houston by Dr. Bob Lowe; or a weekend for two at Blisswood that includes a one-night stay and also a meal at Carol's of Cat Spring; or even a dinner party given by Laura Ann Rau and Charlotte Tilotta.

There will be four dinner parties auctioned off during the evening:

-A six course Tuscan gourmet wine dinner for 12 people given by Steve and Sandy Epps, Hines and Peggy Harrison, Doak and Roxanne Hartley, Cliff and Anne Masarik, Arun and Priya Nayar, John and Holly Waligura

-A prime rib dinner with all the trimmings and fine wines for 10 people, beginning with Kir Royale as an aperitif to be held at The Milam House given by Jerry and Kathryn Haluska and Henry and Donna Smahlk

-A casual dinner for 10 at the historic Tait Ranch given by Louis and Millycent Cordes, Harriet and Lance McElreath and Sarah Jo Jones

-An afternoon or evening featuring fine foods, drinks and fun for 18 guests at the home of Gary and Tess Swindle given by the Swindles, Donald and Marie Hayek and Lonny and Linda Daley. The date and time will be mutually agreed on between guests and hosts.

Get a group together now and make plans to bid on the party of your choice. You will not want to miss having one of these fun evenings to look forward to during the year.

The Big Band Extravaganza at the Stafford Opera House is more than a fundraiser for Columbus Historical Preservation Trust (CHPT). It is an event that you will long remember and will have you wanting more.

Call 979-732-5135 or come by the Stafford Opera House, 425 Spring Street in Columbus for tickets or information. Tickets are \$100 per person. Proceeds from Big Band Extravaganza will go toward renovation of the Stafford Opera House restrooms.

CHPT knows that you are asked to give to many worthwhile causes and that is why it has chosen to have a fundraiser only once every two years.

## Obituaries



**Brenda S. D'Amico**

Brenda S. D'Amico, 50, of Altair, formerly of Byram, New Jersey passed away Tuesday, February 13 in Houston.

She was born April 29, 1956 in Santa Paula, California.

Brenda was a Registered Nurse and was of the Christian faith.

Survivors include her parents, Warren Schneider and Beth Sipes of Sheridan; husband, Frank M. D'Amico of Altair; two sons, Richard D'Amico of Altair and Andrew D'Amico of Netcong, New Jersey; brother, Alan "Tige" Schneider of Sheridan; sister, Linda Schneider of Sheridan; and other relatives and loved ones.

Services were held Saturday, February 17 at Eagle Lake Funeral Home in Eagle Lake. Arrangements were under the direction of Eagle Lake Funeral Home.

Sympathy is extended to the family in their loss.

**Mrs. Emery Mae Harris**

Mrs. Emery Mae Harris passed away Friday, February 9.

She was born on August 17, 1917 in Columbus. She later was married to Emmitt Harris, Sr.

She was a member of St. Paul United Methodist Church. To this union one son was born who preceded her in death.

She leaves to cherish, one niece, Ernestine Burnett of Los Angeles; one cousin, Derick Washington of San Antonio; and a host of relatives and friends.

Funeral services were held February 15 at 11 a.m. at the St. Paul United Methodist Church in Columbus with the Rev. Charles Purnell, officiating. Interment followed at the Willing Workers Cemetery in Columbus. Arrangements entrusted to Ben Davis Funeral Home.

Sympathy is extended to the family in their loss.

**Ruby Bernice Frazier**

Ruby Bernice Frazier, 83, of Columbus, passed away Saturday, February 10 at the Columbus Nursing and Rehabilitation Center.

Ruby was born on March 18, 1923 in Navasota and she was a housewife.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Richard Lee and Ruby Belle Waller.

Graveside services were held Tuesday, February 13 at 1:30 p.m. at the Restwood Memorial Park Cemetery in Lake Jackson. Burial was held at the Restwood Memorial Park Cemetery. Arrangements were under the direction of the Eagle Lake Funeral Home.

Sympathy is extended to the family in their loss.



**Sis. Callie Hurd**

The journey for Sis. Callie Hurd began on November 30, 1910 in Egypt, as the last born to Ellis and Leola Nixon and ended in Wharton at Avalon Place.

Callie attended public school in Egypt. She met the love of her life, Bro. Samuel Hurd Sr., and was united in Holy Matrimony in 1926. To this union, 11 children were born.

Callie, the youngest of four children, came to know Christ at a young age through her membership at St. Jones Baptist Church, which later became Greater Union Baptist Church where she continued to serve actively until her health failed her. Callie truly loves the Lord and was steadfast in her commitment to share his word with anyone she came in contact with.

During her many years as a member of G.U.B.C. Callie sang in the choir, was the choir secretary, a member of the Mission Society, and was also Sunday school superintendent. Callie was also an active member of AH Simmons Chapter 217 Order of Eastern Stars.

Callie's life was filled with bearing children, cooking for family and friends and serving the Lord the best way she knew how.

On February 11, in Wharton, God dispatched His angel and called our loved one home.

Sis. Callie Hurd is preceded in death by her parents; two brothers; two sisters; four children, Samuel Hurd Jr., Arthur Hurd Sr. and two in infancy; four grandchildren, Ronnie Glover, Kenneth Ray Glover, Linda F. Hurd and one in infancy.

Sis. Callie Hurd leaves to mourn her a loving husband of 80 years, Samuel Hurd Sr., of Matthews; five daughters, Otha Ballock of Houston, Beatrice Cunningham of Matthews, Wealthy Davis of Texas City, Lily Glover of Houston, Bobby McKelvey of Houston; two sons, Roy Hurd Sr. of Houston, Darnelle Hurd of Matthews; 34 grandchildren; 58 great-grandchildren; and a host of other relatives and friends.

Funeral services were held Saturday, February 17 at 11 a.m. at Greater Union Baptist Church in Matthews with the Rev. L. Robertson. Final resting place was at Union Hill Cemetery. Most precious memories entrusted to Ben Davis Funeral Home in Columbus.

Pallbearers were D.J. Auzenne, Gregory C. Ballock Jr., Brandon D. Cunningham, Ricky J. Cunningham Jr., Terry L. Cunningham Jr., DeGarian J. Glover, Henry Hurd-Freeman, Curtis McKelvey.

Honorary pallbearers were Clyde Cunningham Sr., Terry L. Cunningham Sr., Jeffrey Hurd, Louis Matthews, Gerald Hurd and Joskie Jenkins.

Sympathy is extended to the family in their loss.

## DAR Names Good Citizen Recipients

On Feb. 5 at the Nesbitt Memorial library in Columbus, local John Everett chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution presented five area high school seniors with pins and certificates recognizing them with the chapter's Good Citizen award.

Students recognized included: Columbus High School senior, Hannah Stavinoha, daughter of Buddy and Trudi Stavinoha; Weimar High School senior, Lauren Berger, daughter of Kenneth and Mary Jane Berger; Rice High School senior, Clayton Bowen, son of Wayne and Jonna Bowen; Hallettsville High School senior, Lauren Ulcak, daughter of David and Kimberly Ulcak; Sacred Heart High School senior Michele Sevcik, daughter of Ronnie and Debi Sevcik.

These students were selected by their teachers and peers for having demonstrated outstanding qualities for dependability, service, leadership and patriotism.

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**Bible Verse of The Week**  
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