

Obituaries



Christie Renae Meyer

Christie Renae Meyer, 26, of Katy, formerly of Eagle Lake, passed away Sunday, April 8 in Katy.

She was born October 18, 1980 in Galveston and was of Catholic faith.

Christie was very active in school, and graduated from Rice Consolidated in Altair Texas.

She started her career right after graduation as inventory manager in the car dealership business. She had a long career in the car dealership business. She advanced to the financial management department in Katy. She was a member of the Catholic Church in Katy, and also a member of the Parish of Nativity in Eagle Lake.

Christie gave birth to a beautiful little girl on August 18, 2005. Her name is Alexis Renae Fazin. Lexi was the love of her life.

Family was everything to Christie.

Christie always had a beautiful smile that would melt your heart.

Christie never met a stranger, and was always a friend to everyone. Christie was loved dearly by her family and friends, and will be missed by all, whose lives she touched.

Christie was preceded in death by Adella Mae Meyer.

Survivors include parents, "Bobby" Robert Fred and Brenda Kay Meyer of Eagle Lake; boyfriend, Phil Fazin of Katy; daughter, Alexis Renae Fazin of Katy; brothers, Shawn Meyers and wife, Christie, of Katy and Dustin Meyer of Eagle Lake; nephew, Naytin Meyer; and grandparents, Gene and Dorothy Jones of Eagle Lake.

Funeral services were held Friday, April 13 at 10 a.m. from the Parish of Nativity in Eagle Lake with Father Robert Guerra officiating. Interment followed in Geiger Cemetery in Sublime. Eagle Lake Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Pallbearers were Craig Noska, Chad Noska, David Allen Meyer, Keith Austin, John Kaluza, Scott Litzner, Kolt Miller and Sammy Duncan.

In lieu of flowers memorials may be given to Christie Meyer Memorial Fund at the First National Bank of Eagle Lake, Texas.

Sympathy is extended to the family in their loss.

Texas Citrus Production Up 25 Percent

The April 1, 2007, Texas grapefruit production is fore-cast at 6.5 million boxes for the 2006-2007 season, up 25 per-cent from last year's 5.2 million boxes. This forecast is un-changed from January.

All orange production is estimated at 1.85 million boxes, up 16 percent from last year.

The orange forecast is down seven percent from January.

Early and midseason oranges account for 1.58 million boxes and Valencia for 270,000 boxes.

The production of all oranges totaled 1.6 million boxes last season.

Heavy rain in September delayed the start of the Texas citrus season.

Grapefruit shipments were up 22 percent, although exports were down 75 percent and harvest was at 87 percent complete.

Navel orange shipments are also up 17 percent from last year and nearly 100 percent harvested.

Valencia shipments are also slightly ahead of last year, but nearly 35 percent of the crop remains compared to only 13 percent at this time last year.

United States grapefruit production is forecast at 39.4 million boxes, up 29 percent from last year.

All orange production is forecast at 169.9 million boxes, down 19 percent from last year.

Ladies Fellowship Night In Sealy April 20

Pastor Anne Griffin and Covenant Hearts Women's Ministries of Christian City Fellowship (CCF) in Sealy invite the ladies of the community to attend an evening of ministry on Friday, April 20th at 7:00 p.m. Pastor Angela Nuñez and Jamie Lipe of River City Fellowship, San Antonio, Texas, will minister as a part of worship and Pastor Angela will share the Word of God. Girls seventh grade and up are welcome to attend. Child care will be provided for children ages birth to 6th grade.

Pastor Angela Nuñez is the wife of Pastor William Nuñez and together they have pastored River City Fellowship (RCF), a non-denominational ministry in San Antonio, for 15 years.

Pastor Angela has served in many ministries at RCF. Her motto has always been "the need is the call." She taught at River City Christian School for four years. Pastor Angela currently

serves as the Pastor of Student Ministries which oversees the nursery department through the youth ministry. She is part of the worship team and also serves as leader of the ladies Heart to Heart Ministry. Pastor Angela has the heart of worship and intercession and longs for her King to be lifted up and glorified.

Singer/Songwriter Jamie Lipe's love for the Lord and heart for worship led her to San Antonio to be a part of River City Fellowship where she is now actively involved as a worship leader. She is also on staff with River City House of Prayer, a prayer ministry devoted to seeing 24/7 prayer and worship established in the heart of the city.

Jamie's passion to see Father's heart released in the earth is what drives her deeper into finding her destiny in Him. She desires to use the abilities she's been given to bring truth to the

broken-hearted and hope to the hurting, and in doing so, pour out the great love of the Father. More and more she is finding herself on a journey to discover a new sound — a sound that can only come from Heaven. She has devoted her life to this journey — to find God and know Him and the life of holiness He longs for His people to have. Ultimately, her desperation is to see the awakening of a generation into the same pursuit

Both Pastor Angela and Jamie have ministered at CCF before and are in relationship with CCF's Pastors and membership. Covenant Hearts Women's Ministries is excited and pleased to host them again and provide the ladies of Austin and the surrounding counties the opportunity to be mightily impacted by their ministry.

For additional information or to sign up for child care, contact the church office at 979-885-3113.

Senate Passes Medicaid Reform Bill

Austin-With healthcare costs skyrocketing, lawmakers around the nation are looking at ways to cut costs of government-based health plans without decreasing coverage or benefits. The Federal Deficit Reduction Act of 2005 gives states more flexibility in deciding how to use federal Medicaid funds.

The Senate passed one such measure Tuesday, a bill aimed at insuring more Texans while reducing costs in areas like emergency room care. Lt. Governor David Dewhurst said Tuesday's bill was a "huge first step" toward getting a handle on the state's rising health care costs.

He added that ignoring this problem could lead to a financial crisis in Texas. "Unless we tweak it, it threatens to bankrupt the state of Texas, and all other 49 states," said Dewhurst.

Senate Bill 10, by Health and Human Services Committee Chair Jane Nelson, would change how the state offers healthcare. It would create a pilot program to look at tailored benefit programs, to increase efficiency and deliver needed services to patients, without paying for services they don't need.

It would use federal funds to create a pool to increase health coverage for uninsured Texans.

The bill would also set up a pilot program to look at a three-share program, where federal Medicaid dollars could be funneled to pay one-third of private insurance premium costs, with another third coming from the client, and the final third coming from state or charity funds.

Nelson said her bill also addresses the problem of emergency room care. Often, uninsured individuals seek routine medical care in an emergency room, which costs far more than care in a clinic.

The bill would authorize co-payment charges for non-emergency care received in the emergency room.

Another important component of SB 10 is preventative care. Nelson said that by increasing the use of preventative programs, like smoking-cessation or weight loss plans, the state could reduce health care costs in the future for the elderly.

"We spend so many of our dollars on the elderly, which really is not the majority of the people we serve, but is certainly the major-

ity of our healthcare spending," she said. "And a lot of that is preventable."

Her bill would direct the Health and Human Services Commission to look at ways to implement incentives for individuals who take and follow preventative care courses.

Lt. Governor Dewhurst took time following Tuesday's session to comment on the tragic killing of more than 30 students and teachers at Virginia Tech. He expressed condolences for victims and their families, and called on community colleges and universities in Texas to review their emergency procedures to see if there is anything they can change to increase campus security.

He added that he wants to amend a bill directed at state homeland security to permit higher education institutions to use resources at the School Safety Center, a state clearinghouse for school security and safety procedures and practices. "That's a start, because none of us ever want to see what happened at Virginia Tech happen again," said Dewhurst.

The Senate will reconvene Wednesday, April 18, at 11 a.m.

COLORADO COUNTY COURTHOUSE REPORT

14 Indicted In County Grand Jury

Fourteen individuals were indicted by the Colorado County grand jury on April 12.

They included:

--Juan L. Belman, 28, Eagle Lake, forgery of a resident alien card on March 17.

--Christopher E. Benson, 28, Austin, unlawful possession of a firearm by a felon on Feb. 22.

--Autry L. Ellison, Weimar, 26, evading arrest using a vehicle on March 24.

--Steven W. Flournoy Jr., 31, Pflugerville, possession of a controlled substance on March 8.

--Rose Marie Gonzales, 32, Eagle Lake, forgery of a check on Dec. 18.

--Julian Hernandez, 32, East Bernard, evading arrest on March 14.

--Jay House Jr., 24, Columbus, two charges of check forgery on Feb. 25.

--Reed L. Howren, 23, Sealy, burglary of a building on Feb. 18, 2006.

--Frasiel L. Hughey, 45, Houston, possession of a controlled substance on Feb. 20.

--Syberlee H. Mayfield, 38, Eagle Lake, forgery of a financial instrument on Oct. 27.

--Russell C. Nelson, 17, Rock Island, burglary on March 6.

--Christopher J. Supak, 19, Eagle Lake, burglary of a building on Nov. 24.

--Steven C. Thomas, 28, Rock Island, possession of a controlled substance on March 8.

--Willie M. Wicks, 62, Weimar, possession of a controlled substance on March 22.

Two Lawsuits Filed District Court

Two lawsuits were filed in Colorado County District Court in the past week.

On April 11, Dr. David Robert Neisner filed suit on behalf of his son, David Ryan Neisner, a

minor.

The suit seeks damages for injuries suffered by his son on April 15, 2003 in a go-cart accident.

The suit claims that brakes on the go-cart failed and it hit a tree, injuring the child.

Named as defendants were FF Acquisition Corp. and Walmart Stores Inc.

In a second suit filed on April 16, Crown Asset Management, LLC, filed suit against Jimmy Foster Jr. in a dispute over payments on an account. The suit claims that \$11,585 is due.

Marriage License

David Beccera and Patricia Najera, April 10.

Richard Lee Gustafson and Patricia Ann Fields, April 13.

Maximino Cruz Navarro and Heather Rachell Torres, April 13.

Justin Lawrence Strieder and Emily Renee Webb, April 13.

Michael Andrew Sutton and Wanda Denise Porter, April 10.

Divorce Granted

Krista Nelson and Dennis Nelson, April 12.



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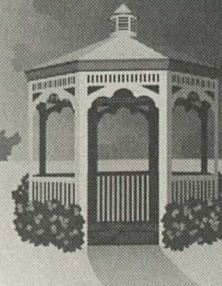
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