

Older Texans Honored At 29th Annual Fair Held In Sheridan On May 10



Nominees for Older Texas of the Year were, from left; Raymond Heine, Anita Meisner, Vic Hyek, Eldon Ohm and Kathy Ricks.

The 29th annual Older Texan Fair was held Thursday, May 10, at the Sheridan Community Center. Honored as the 2007 Older Texan Man and Woman were Vic Hyek of Nada and Anita Meisner of Garwood. Kathy Ricks and Eldon Ohm of Sheridan and Raymond Heine of Glidden were also nominated for the award.

Older Texans in Colorado County also had the opportunity to enter items in a cultural arts contest and to visit booths set up in the hall.

St. Mark's Diabetes Educators offered blood sugar checks to those attending, Sheridan Go-Getters EEA had a silent auction, Nada/Garwood Gadabouts and the Nada Christian Mothers had

country store items.

The WCJC Senior Citizens Office, Texas Home Health and Parkview Manor had information booths.

Chuck Rogers, Colorado County Emergency Management Director, was the guest speaker for the occasion.

Those attending were given ideas about how to be prepared for a hurricane or other disaster. Sally Garrett, County Extension Agent - Family & Consumer Sciences, followed Chuck with "Disaster Preparedness in a Bucket", telling the attendees how to prepare in case you have to leave home or if you are confined at home without services.

Exhibit winners were recognized as follows:

Afghans, Tablecloths and Bedspreads - Dorothy Hyek, Grand Champion and Rose Staff - Reserve Champion, both from Nada; Baked Goods - Anita Meisner, Garwood, Grand Champion and Edith Drlak, Nada, Reserve Champion; Canned Goods - Anita Meisner, Grand Champion and Rose Staff, Reserve Champion; Crafts - Ed Lee Schneider, Nada, Grand Champion and Madeline Hattermann, Weimar, Reserve Champion; Floriculture - Marilyn Popp, Garwood, Grand Champion and Minnie Lee Connor, Garwood,



Pictured are the crafts winners from the Older Texan Fair. Front row, left to right, Minnie Lee Connor, Dorothy Hyek, Catherine Berger and Rose Staff; back row, left to right, Ed Lee Schneider, Bernice Stancik, Virginia Pavlovsky, Anita Meisner and Madeline Hattermann.

Reserve Champion; Fresh Garden Products - Anita Meisner, Grand and Reserve Champion; Handstitchery - Olga Lundquist, Rock Island, Grand Champion, Bernice Stancik, Glidden, Reserve Champion; Photography - Catherine Berger, Garwood, Grand and Reserve Champion; and Quilts - Virginia Pavlovsky, Nada, Grand Champion and Olga Lundquist, Reserve Champion.

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(\$50/player) and includes meal and gift bag. The Firemen's Classic also has sponsorships available if you or your company is interested. For more information contact Buddy Mascheck (979) 758-4180, Sam Castro (979)-758-4910 or Joe Perez 979-234-5571. Tickets for the American Express Gift Card Drawing can be purchased from any fireman. All proceeds to benefit the Eagle Lake Volunteer Fire Department Equipment Fund.

Youth service to be held May 19

Night of Worship youth service is May 19 at 6:30 p.m. at Bible Truth Apostolic Church corner of S. Wharton and E. First Street El Campo. Come for a time of passionate praise and worship. Invite family, friends and neighbors. Everyone welcome. Special guests Angel's Cry. For more information call 979-543-2331.

Sisterhood sets meeting schedule

Chapter FB of the P.E.O. Sisterhood will meet on May 19 at 10 a.m. in Smithville. A summer social will be held in June. P.E.O. was founded in 1869 and is an international philanthropic and educational organization interested in bringing to women increased opportunities for higher education. For more information, unaffiliated members, please call Helen Craig at 979-234-2807.

Garwood Pre-K Reg. Deadline May 25

Must qualify to attend. Call 758-3385. Garwood Programa de Pre-K. El ultimo dia es el 25 de Mayo. Por favor de llamar la escuela a 758-3385.

Memorial Day Service set for May 27

The Annual Homecoming and Memorial Day Service will be held at the air-conditioned Rock Island Community Center, Sunday, May 27. A beef and sausage dinner, with all the trimmings (dessert and iced tea or coffee included), will be served from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. The memorial Service and Program will commence at 12:30 p.m.

Class of 2007 Baccalaureate

The Eagle Lake community Baccalaureate service for the class of 2007 will be held at 4 p.m. Sunday, May 27 at Christ Episcopal Church, located at 304 East Stockbridge in Eagle Lake. The program is being planned by Revs. Joe and Mercy Fling of Living Hope Church. All students of our community who are graduating from high school this year, whether they attend private, home school, Rice High School or neighboring public schools are invited to attend. Students other than those who Rice should contact Rev. Joe Fling 234-5536, Alliance president Rev. Steve Whitfield 234-3437, or any member of the Ministerial Alliance for details.

Arellano in diabetes race

Miguel Arellano formerly of Eagle Lake will ride in the American Diabetes Association's Tour de Cure May 19-20. He asks for your support in his effort. The send a donation mail to Miguel Arellano, 701 Woodward St., #233, Austin, TX 78704-7455. All donations are tax deductible.

Summer reading program begins June 6

Wintermann Library is "gearing up" for the Summer Reading Program. The theme this year is "Sail Away with Books." The date for the program will be June 6 through July 18. The official opening day will be June 6. There will be a party beginning at 10:30 a.m. with refreshments and activities for the children. Registration for the program begins on May 30. Children will begin counting their books or pages on June 6. Returning again this year will be the Magician Julian Franklin. He will be entertaining the children on June 20 at 1:30 p.m. for all ages.

Veterans of Foreign Wars

If you are a WWII, Korean, Vietnam, Desert Storm, Iraq, or any other veteran of a foreign war, the Rice Area Memorial Post 8783 would like you to join our Post. Without you our organization can't continue to exist. Please call Len Matula Community Post 8783 at 234-3947. (If you qualify the Post will pay your first year membership.)

Power Unlimited Juneteenth BBQ

Power unlimited of the E.H. Henry historical association will hold its first Juneteenth BBQ cookoff on the grounds of the E.H. Henry site in the flats Sunday, June 17. Power Unlimited is asking for help in making this event enjoyable for everyone. We need volunteers who would like to preside over the numerous committees needed to get this event off of the ground. We would like to have all suggestions and input from all interested churches, organization, groups, and individuals etc. Everyone is welcome to take part in this event. We need you!!! For more information please call Portia Smith 281-989-2555.

Texas Cotton Down 31 Percent

The 2006 Texas Upland cotton crop totaled 5.8 million bales, down 31 percent from 2005, according to the Texas Field Office.

The production estimate was decreased by 200,000 bales, or 3 percent, from the January forecast.

Harvested acreage for the season totaled 4.1 million acres, down 27 percent from the previous season, and unchanged from the January estimate.

The average yield per acre, at 679 pounds, was down 23 pounds per acre from January, and down 44 pounds from 2005.

Upland cotton acres are unchanged from the January estimate of 6.4 million acres, up 8 percent from the acreage planted in 2005.

The U.S. Upland cotton crop totaled 20.8 million bales, down 10 percent from 2005.

The U.S. yield for Upland cotton was 806 pounds per acre, 19 pounds less than 2005.

Harvested acres, at 12.4 million acres, were down 8 percent from 2005.

Upland planted area totaled 14.9 million acres, up 7 percent from 2005.

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