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**WWII Veterans Honored With Monument On Capitol Grounds**

AUSTIN — Texas veterans of World War II are now honored with a new monument located near the east entrance of the Texas Supreme Court Building in the northwest quadrant of the Capitol grounds. Thousands of people attended the Aug. 15 dedication, the 62nd anniversary of the victory over Japan and the official end of the war.

More than 830,000 Texans served in the armed forces in the war, and 22,000 were killed.

Donations from corporations, associations, foundations and individuals paid for the 17-foot-tall,

22-ton monument.

**TxDOT delivers report on bridges**

Is a bridge you've been using for years sturdy enough to deserve your confidence? Are you sure?

The Interstate 35-West bridge collapse in Minnesota on Aug. 1 made people wonder.

Soon after the event, Lt. Gov. David Dewhurst asked the Texas Department of Transportation to produce a report on the status of Texas bridges.

TxDOT responded with a 92-page report released Aug. 16, say-

ing 4 percent of the state's 50,000 bridges are listed as structurally deficient.

However, the first line of the report says "All bridges open to traffic on Texas public roads in the State of Texas are safe."

The report, readily available at www.txdot.gov, includes a list of structurally deficient bridges.

A few points made by TxDOT:

- "Structurally deficient" is a term the Federal Highway Administration uses to classify and prioritize bridges for federal funding.
- Structurally deficient bridges receive priority for limited rehabilitation on replacement funds from the federal government.
- Bridges that are unsafe or present an imminent public danger are closed to traffic.
- Of the state's bridges classified as structurally deficient, 445 are on the state highway system and 1,579 are off-system structures.
- Some 282 bridges classified

as structurally deficient are currently under contract to be fixed or replaced.

- Another 1,303 structurally deficient bridges are under development as part of the state transportation plan.
- The remaining 439 structurally deficient bridges are not scheduled for rehabilitation or replacement, and no funding has been identified for them, TxDOT said.

**Progress report on schools is in**

The Texas Education Agency reports 86 percent of school districts and 79 percent of schools met the state's 2007 standards for "Adequate Yearly Progress."

The state standards tie into the federal No Child Left Behind Act of 2001.

Public schools and districts tested students in kindergarten through 12th grade. At least 60 percent of the students had to pass the reading/language test and at least 50 percent had to pass the math exam.

Attendance and graduation figures also figured into the calculations. Schools that do not meet the state's Adequate Yearly Progress standards two years in a row are placed in an improvement program.

**Officials discuss vetoed funding**

The Senate Higher Education Subcommittee met Aug. 14 to address Gov. Rick Perry's veto of \$154 million in community college funding.

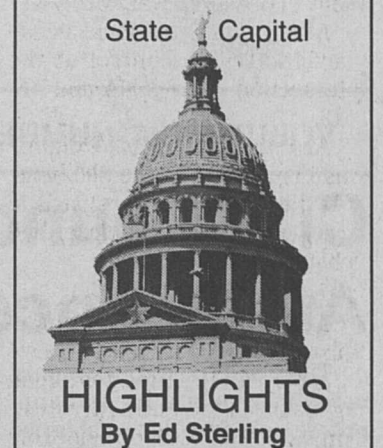
Subcommittee chair Sen. Judith Zaffirini, D-Laredo, and Lt. Gov. Dewhurst spoke positively about prospects that funding would be restored.

Details on how to restore the funding are still to be negotiated, Zaffirini said.

**Organ registry site goes online**

The Department of State Health Services announced the online availability of the Glenda Dawson Donate Life - Texas Donor Registry.

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**HIGHLIGHTS**  
 By Ed Sterling

People may register as organ, tissue and eye donors via www.DonateLifeTexas.org. The site also provides information about organ donation.

The donor program pays tribute to the late State Rep. Glenda Dawson of Pearland, a donor recipient who raised public awareness about the organ donor registry in Texas.

Dawson was elected to House District 29 in 2003 and was re-elected in 2005. She died in 2006.

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*Let's Look Back...*  
**24 & 48 YEARS AGO**

**August 25, 1983**

Four students of this area were among one of the largest classes in the 35-year history of WCJC's pioneer vocational nursing program that graduated Friday, August 12 in ceremonies at the M.G. and Lillie A. Johnson Health Occupations Center on the Wharton campus. They were **Daphene Jeneke Davis** of Egypt, **Tanyia Mae Johnson** of Eagle Lake, **Carmen Rose Schneider** of Garwood and **Shirley Ann Fisher** of Lissie...

**Ernest and Paula Frnka** of Rock Island are pleased to announce the arrival of their son, **Ryan Nolan**, born at 6:25 p.m. August 12 at Polly Ryon Hospital in Richmond. At birth Ryan tipped the scales at eight pounds, 10 1/2 ounces and measured 21 3/4 inches long...

**Floyd and Audrey Owens** returned Monday to their home on Stevenson St. after a six week trip to California and points in between. They left in July to visit Audrey's sister, **Nina Minnick**, in Long Beach, Ca...

**Kathy A. Frazier**, daughter of **Bunny and Joe Frazier** of Eagle Lake, has been selected for the spring 1983 Dean's Honorable Mention List for outstanding scholastic achievement at the University of Texas health science center in San Antonio...

**Miss Lori Leigh Grigar** was honored with a birthday party on Friday, August 12 the occasion of her second birthday. The party was hosted by Lori's mother, **Mrs. Michael Grigar**, and was held at the Grigar home...

**Miss Sherrye Lynn Hunter** and **Daryl Scott Hunt** were united in marriage in a lovely candlelight ceremony at 6 p.m. Saturday, August 20 at Fredonia Hill Baptist Church in Nacogdoches. Rever-

**end Charlie Neighbors** officiated at the ceremony...

**James McCarter, Jr.**, 85, of Eagle Lake, passed away last Wednesday in community hospital here. Funeral services were conducted Tuesday at the Tabernacle in Egypt, with the **Rev. H.R. Kuykendall** officiating. Burial was in Sandridge Cemetery in Egypt...

**Mrs. Mabel Ware** a lifetime resident of Eagle Lake, passed away at 3:50 p.m. on August 16 at Northwest Medical Center Hospital in Houston. Last rites were held from the Chapel of Dulany Funeral Home at 2 p.m. on August 18 with **Rev. Mike Barron** of the First Presbyterian Church officiating. Interment was in Lakeside Cemetery...

Former Eagle Lake resident, **Olive Swenson Reed**, 88, passed away Sunday at Polly Ryon Memorial Hospital in Rosenberg. Funeral services were conducted at 10 a.m. Tuesday, August 23 at the First United Methodist Church in Rosenberg. Burial followed at 3 p.m. at Evan's Chapel in Leon County, Texas...

**Mrs. Linda Ann Jackson** passed away at 4:59 p.m. on August 16 at Eagle Lake Community

Hospital. Funeral services were conducted from the Chapel of Dulany Funeral Home at 10 a.m. August 18 with **Rev. Bernie Helge** of New Gulf officiating. Interment was in Methodist Cemetery in East Bernard...

**Kathleen Parker Howell** of Mt. Pleasant, Texas former resident and teacher of Eagle Lake, passed away at 11:30 p.m. Saturday, August 13 at Titus County Memorial Hospital. Services were conducted at 2 p.m. August 15 from the Chapel of Bates-Cooper Weems Funeral Home with interment in Rose Hill Cemetery in Pittsburg, Texas.

**August 27, 1959**  
 Eagle Lake City Council and Eagle Lake Gas Distribution agree to let the City operate the gas distribution system for the company on a six-month trial basis for \$1250 per month...

Steering Committee for the consolidation of Colorado County schools into one central high school, met at **Marvin's** and began plans for a six month survey. **W.N. Lehrer** of Garwood was elected chairman of the study. Members of the committee, one from each of six schools represented in the study, include: **Dr. C.I. Shult**, Columbus; **Henry Brasher, Jr.**,

**Weimar; S.A. DeFoor**, Rock Island; **Lester Cranek**, Garwood; **F.G. Newman**, Sheridan; and **R.L. Cook**, Eagle Lake. Mr. Cook was elected secretary/treasurer for the committee...

Eagle Lake office of the American Rice Growers Cooperative Association held its first sale of 1959 rice August 19 when nine lots of Century Patna and three lost of Nato rice were offered for bids. **Ed Causey's** Century Patna variety was offered \$7.36 by Blue Ribbon Mill...

Eagle Lake hosts two South American visitors. **Carlos Metzadour** of Cordoba, Argentina and **Mario Guzman** of Valparaiso, Chile will be staying in the home of **Mr. and Mrs. Gardner Duncan** under the sponsorship of the Rotary Club of Eagle Lake...

**Mrs. Glen Sunderman** departed Sunday from Houston to New York on an "Around the World in Eighty Days" tour. The tour includes stops in such places as Sweden, Finland, Russia, Turkey, Lebanon, Jordan, Egypt, Kashmir, India, Ceylon, Indonesia, Siam, Cambodia, Hong Kong and Japan...

**William Joe Simcik** born August 24 to **Mr. and Mrs. Jim Simcik**.

**Colorado County Sheriff's Report**

The Colorado County Sheriff's Department reported the following calls and cases for the period ending Aug. 1.

**Friday, July 20**

At 4 pm, Deputy Pflughaupt responded to a residence at Onheiser Lane near Weimar in reference to a family disturbance. After further investigation, **Johnny Ray Pantalion**, 20 of Weimar, was issued a citation for Family Violence Assault. Case Closed.

**Saturday, July 21**

At 1 am, Sgt. Girndt responded to a residence on Old Alleyton Road in reference to a disturbance. On arrival, one of the subjects involved in the disturbance had left the scene. A report was filed and the case is closed.

At 5:35 am, Deputy Cranek initiated a traffic stop on Hwy 71 near Altair. After further investigation, **Jorge Antonio Cuevas**, 22 of El Campo, was arrested for No Driver's License and Failure to Maintain a Single Marked Lane. Case closed.

At 7:34 pm, Deputy Thumann responded to IH-10 near the 692 mile marker in reference to a hit and run driver. The suspect vehicle was located near IH-10 and FM 2434 and a traffic stop was conducted. After further investigation, **Jerry Lee Henneke Jr.**, 41 of Cat Spring, was arrested for Felony Driving While Intoxicated.

At 10:18 pm, Deputy Slubar, Deputy Thumann, and Trooper Clark responded to the Columbus Oaks Apartments in reference to an Assault. On arrival, the Suspect had fled across the street to the Budget Inn. During the investigation, a Victim and the Suspect, who was located at Budget Inn, were both transported to the Hospital

by EMS for treatment of injuries. After further investigation, **John Elvon Church**, 47 of Columbus, was arrested for Family Violence Assault. Case closed.

**Sunday, July 22**

At 6:30 pm, Deputy Thumann responded to a residence in Sheridan in reference to a child custody dispute. An investigation was conducted and no offense was substantiated. Case closed.

At 9:47 pm, Deputy Staff responded to a residence near Weimar in reference to a suicidal subject. The subject was transported by private vehicle to the Colorado Fayette Medical Center and was examined and held for a psychiatric evaluation. Case closed.

At 11:30 pm, Deputy Thumann conducted a traffic stop on Alleyton Road and Hwy 90 east of Columbus. After further investigation, **Leonel Bustos Puebla**, 21 of Austin, was arrested for Possession of Marihuana and No Driver's License. Case closed.

**Monday, July 23**

At 12:30 pm, Deputy Cranek responded to a residence on Zimmerscheidt Road in reference to a Theft. The complainant reported that someone had stolen his gate. Evidence was collected and no known suspects at this time Case is under investigation.

At 10 pm, Deputy Thumann made contact with a pedestrian walking in the center of the road on A St. in Eagle Lake. After further investigation, **Francisco Rojas Juarez**, 40 of Eagle Lake, was arrested for Possession of a Controlled Substance (cocaine). Case closed.

**Tuesday, July 24**

At 9:12 am, Deputy Savino responded to CR 101 in reference

to mailbox damage. During the investigation, it was discovered that another mailbox had been damaged on the same road. A report was filed and the case is under investigation.

**Wednesday, July 25**

At 6:10 am, Deputy Hudson and Lt. Neisner responded to a residence on Buffalo Circle near Altair in reference to a welfare concern. The residence was checked and nobody was home at the time. The subjects later returned home and were determined to be okay. Case closed.

At 8:40 pm, Sgt. Girndt responded to Vivian Lane near Cat Spring in reference to a possible trespasser. On arrival, the subject was located and determined to be a property owner in the area. A report was filed and the case is closed.

**Thursday, July 26**

At 1:30 pm, Deputy Pflughaupt made contact with a complainant in reference to a Theft of oil field equipment on Beal Road near Eagle Lake. A report was filed and the case is under investigation.

At 2:52 pm, Deputy Hudson responded to Ohnheiser Lane near Weimar in reference to a family disturbance. After further investigation, **Johnny Ray Pantalion**, 20 of LaGrange, was arrested for Family Violence Assault. Case closed.

At 11:35 pm, Sgt. Girndt responded to Ms. Molly's Bar in reference to a hit and run accident. After further investigation, **Sharon K. Noel**, 48 of Santa Fe, was arrested for Aggravated Assault with a Deadly Weapon (motor vehicle). Case closed.

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