

## Views Around The Lake

by Cindy Klopsteck

"I don't cry over spilt milk, but a fallen scoop of ice cream is enough to ruin my whole day."

—The Quote Garden

It's hot in Eagle Lake this afternoon. The calendar tells us the first day of fall is this week, and the early mornings and late evenings have provided a refreshingly cooler breeze from the north. But we native Texans know there will be many more hot afternoons ahead.

So, even though it's the end of summer, school has started, autumn's around the corner, it's 3 p.m. and I'm hungry for something cold, something melt-in-the-mouth delicious. What?

Driving around the town square, beginning a turn left with the fire station and police department immediately in front of me, I see a sign - not a sweet, sticky visionary one - but an actual physical road sign saying: "DIP".

Yeah, that's it! I want a big dip

of good cold ice cream! We really have to be open to seeing the signs fate has placed before us!

There are three main pit stops for that popular icy confection in Eagle Lake. In my unbiased survey of city treats, I decided to visit all three. (Tough job - but someone has to do it.)

Beth at Dairy Delite says it may be the end of summer, but there's no end to ice cream consumption and popularity, though they do tend to see seasonal changes. Strawberry is more popular in summer, chocolate in winter and vanilla an all-around favorite. Here you can get an actual old-fashioned dip or double-dip of your favorite flavor. An interesting observation noted by Beth is that chocolate tends to be more of a "comfort" flavor and is sold more around the time of funerals.

Speaking of seasonal flavors or favorites, I thought the Cotton

Candy flavor promoted as Dairy Queen's September Blizzard flavor of the month, was interesting. Not my kind of flavor, but I can be sure my daughters would have been begging for that treat when they were school age. Linda says regular cones and sundaes seem to remain their popular items. Dips are good, but nothing beats a soft-serve cone for enjoyment and...more comfort.

I knew I was approaching some variety to be reckoned with as I drove up to Texas Sno-Treats.

You can get a good dipped cone here too - 12 flavors, but the 42 snow cone flavors caught my eye and taste buds. However, even with such a large selection, I was informed that good old strawberry is still the top-selling flavor. They've been at their present 90A East location for the past two of their three years of people-pleasing business.

All of this ice cream interest comes when Blue Bell is celebrating 100 years of delicious ice cream production. It was certainly fewer than 100 years ago, but nonetheless many years ago that I remember my sister and I anticipating our weekly Sunday ice cream cone.

We would giggle in the back seat of our old green 1953 Pontiac as my family drove to town, trying to decide just what flavor we would pick. My sister's favorite was always strawberry and mine chocolate, but we would sometimes mix flavors.

Our dad would carefully hand us each two nickels - a nickel a dip for ice cream back then - and we would happily skip together into the store thinking we just about owned the world at that moment.

For me, one dip would always be chocolate - the other might be vanilla or strawberry or whatever other flavor they may have offered that day, but one dip of chocolate was a given. Then we would exit the store a bit slower, a bit more occupied, carefully licking up our final decision.

After all the circles around the square today, after all the delicious stops and taste-testing, it all comes down to what makes us feel comfortable now in the present and with our own past experiences. It's always there - we've just got to read the signs...

## Obituaries



**Lillian K. Cole**

Lillian K. Cole, 89, of Hallettsville, formerly of Sheridan, passed away September 12 at Lavaca Medical Center in Hallettsville.

She was born December 20, 1917 in Butler, Pennsylvania the daughter of George and Lillian Kley Patton.

Lillian married Herbert Cole on December 22, 1945 and was employed as a foundry inspector for Moynham Bronze in Flatrock, Michigan.

She was a member of the Red Hats Club and the Methodist Church in Shiner.

Lillian was preceded in death by her parents; husband; and brother-in-law, Joseph Cole, Sr.

Survivors include her sister-in-law, Marilyn Cole of Victoria; nieces and nephews, Gloria Bowdler of Taylor, Michigan, Joseph Cole, Jr. of Canyon Lake, Randy Cole and Jolynn Baughman of Cypress, Marilyn Lyles of Victoria; great nieces and nephews, Kenneth Cole of Houston, Brenda Brown of Jourdan, Jenny Aldstadt and Brian Cole of Cypress, Jason Baughman of Dallas, Joseph Cole of Houston, Marisa Jackson of Victoria, David Cole and Suzanne Hoelscher of Dallas, Krista Cole of Panama, Kayla Crisp of Yoakum, Catherine Cole of Austin and Stanton Lyles of Hallettsville.

Funeral services were held Saturday, September 15 at 1:30 p.m. from Henneke Funeral Home in Columbus with Rev. J. Paul Bruhn officiating. Burial followed in Odd Fellows Rest Cemetery in Columbus. Henneke Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Pallbearers were Kenneth Cole, Jason Baughman, David Cole, Stanton Lyles, Joseph Cole and Brian Cole.

Sympathy is extended to the family in their loss.



**Joe "Pete" Linnemier**

Joe "Pete" Linnemier, 91, of Eagle Lake passed way Monday, September 10 at Rice Medical Center in Eagle Lake.

He was born March 31, 1916 in Weimar.

"Pete" was a rice farmer and of Baptist faith.

Survivors include his wife, Ruby Lee Linnemier of Eagle Lake; daughters, Peggy and husband, James Hall of Burleson, Linda and Bobby Wied of Eagle Lake and Doris Beaty of Belton; son, Joe and Donna Linnemier of Sheridan; 12 grandchildren; 11 great-grandchildren; three great-great-grandchildren; and other relatives and loved ones.

Visitation was held Wednesday, September 12 from 5 to 8 p.m.

Funeral services were held Thursday, September 13 at 10 a.m. from Eagle Lake Funeral Home with Rev. Duane Mayberry. Interment followed in Lakeside Cemetery in Eagle Lake. Eagle Lake Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Pallbearers were Bobby Wied, JoJo Linnemier, Clifton Linnemier, Monty Hall, Teresa Sykes and Travis Beaty.

Honorary pallbearer was Brian Wied.

Sympathy is extended to the family in their loss.



**Seth Ann Forteson**

Seth Ann Forteson was born to Susie Hemphill Allen and Marcus Freeman on March 5, 1936 in Columbus.

Mrs. Forteson graduated from Columbus High School in 1952 at 15 years of age. She continued her education at Huston-Tillotson University majoring in Math Education. She also served in the United States Army and was honorably discharged in 1956.

In 1956, she married J.B. Forteson and to this union, they had three daughters, Vera Lynette, Hattie Sue, and Janice Annette.

Still continuing her education, she received a practical nursing certificate in 1964 from Lincoln School of Practical Nursing. In later years, she completed training as a certified medication aide from Wharton County Junior College and used her certification at Sweetbriar. She also became a paramedic for the Colorado County EMS, where she saved many lives. Her experience did not stop there. She was also a machine operator for the Colorado County Citizen for many years.

She accepted Christ at an early age at St. Paul United Methodist Church. She remained a faithful member until her health failed. She was a choir member, an announcement clerk, and a mentor to many young adults in their church work. She will be greatly missed.

Seth Ann was preceded in death by her husband, J.B. Forteson; and daughter, Janice Annette Forteson.

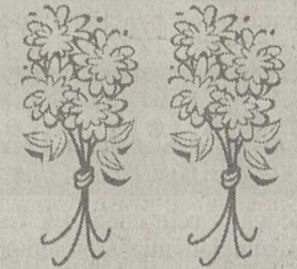
Mrs. Forteson is survived by two daughters, Hattie Sue Forteson of Beasley, and Vera Lynette Taylor (husband, Harold) of Sublime, Kansas; two grandchildren, Jennifer Lynette Taylor and Louis Taylor; one brother, David Allen of Manhattan, Kansas; one aunt, Mrs. Dorothy Foster (husband, John) of Houston; five cousins, Robert Gilcrease, Sammy Jean Gilcrease, Gloria Carr, Brenda Gilcrease, and Robert Earl Ellis; and a host of in-laws, other relatives and many friends.

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

Pallbearers were Robert Gilcrease, Louis Taylor, Howard Evans, Jr., Murray Evans, and Harold Taylor.

Honorary pallbearers were John Foster, Robert Earl Ellis, Lawrence Wilson, Elmer Lloyd Mosby, and Men of St. Paul UMC.

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**Available Treatments for Sickle Cell Anemia**

Sickle cell anemia is an inherited condition in which there is not a sufficient amount of healthy red blood cells present to transport oxygen throughout the body. The red blood cells are irregularly shaped and die early, which leads to a shortage of red blood cells. Pain may result when red blood cells get stuck in small blood vessels. This causes a reduction in the amount of blood flow and oxygen to certain body parts. Although there is no cure for most persons affected by sickle cell anemia, treatments are available to help alleviate pain and associated complications. Persons with sickle cell anemia have 2 genes for the condition and usually show symptoms after 4 months of age. Symptoms include anemia associated with fatigue, pain, jaundice, and frequent infections.

While bone marrow transplant offers hope for a cure, most persons affected by sickle cell anemia do not have an appropriate donor. Medications used in the treatment of this condition include antibiotics and pain relievers. Penicillin is typically initiated in children with sickle cell anemia at 2 months of age and continued until 5 years of age to help prevent infections such as pneumonia. Hydroxyurea (*Droxia, Hydrea*) is a prescription medication which may be useful in adults to decrease pain and the need for blood transfusions.

## St. Philip Picnic September 30

St. Philip the Apostle Catholic Church in El Campo is making plans for its annual picnic scheduled for Sunday, September 30, 2007.

The 'Jousting Ring' and 'Bungee Trampoline' is a new addition to the picnic this year, and there will be a moonwalk, 52' inflatable obstacle course and a fire truck slide for children to enjoy.

The entire community is encouraged to come and dance to the music of the Dujka Brothers, playing from 10 a.m.-Noon and 2-4 p.m. The Texas Sound Czech will then kick off and play at noon until 2 p.m. and again from 4 to 6 p.m. in the parish hall.

The all-day festival will be held at the Knights of Columbus Hall located on Armory Road, just off

south Highway 71, and will feature a delicious prime-cut beef barbecue and sausage dinner with all the trimmings. Serving begins at 11 a.m. and meal tickets are \$7 each. You may dine in comfort in the air-conditioned KC Hall, or have plates to go in a convenient drive-through line.

Barbecue-on-bun and sausage-on-a-stick, hamburgers and sweets will be available after 2 p.m. Bulk meats will be sold at the pit.

Other activities include a huge country auction beginning at 1 p.m., Bingo, "Second Time Around" booth, country store, cake wheel, fish pond and a variety of other activities, including rides for the children.

Holy Mass will be celebrated at St. Philip the Apostle Catholic Church at 5 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 29; and at 7 a.m. and 10 a.m. Sunday, Sept. 30.

Everyone in the community is invited for a big day of food, fun and fellowship.

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**Bible Verse of The Week**

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—Ecclesiastes 1:4  
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