

Views Around The Lake

by Cindy Klopsteck

"But there's a full moon risin' Let's go dancin' in the light..... Let's go out and feel the night."
 --"Harvest Moon" by Neil Young
 Oh, if only that Harvest Moon could talk...what stories could it

share?
 Autumn officially began this year on Sunday September 23rd, and the first full moon of the new season followed last week on September 26.
 That first fall moon that occurs closest to the date of the autumn equinox in the Northern Hemisphere is called the Har-

vest Moon. And if any of you can remember back last week, the big full golden moon was just gorgeous. What did it catch your eye?
 Most people I talked with said the Harvest Moon kept them awake for part or most of the night.
 This was mainly from the, unfortunately, older and unromantic crowd. I decided NOT to poll the younger generation for too much information on this subject, but I can remember my two daughters appreciating the beautiful golden full moon of the harvest when they were in college - after all, those approaching fall days of football games and tailgating parties and fall clothes and that first really cool norther - that's what fall and college are all about.
 I can remember even further back, however, to the 60's when back in high school the fall meant the Friday night football games and the Saturday teen dances.
 The full moon on a football night was always recognized and appreciated, but watch out for those Saturday nights! And when the dances were over and my car pool buddies had hurried home to keep curfew, I just couldn't quite go in the house and leave that big smiling moon all to itself.
 I remember sitting on the back porch step, reminiscing the dance and time with my friends,

and singing to that big attentive fellow in the sky. I may have even revealed more secrets to him than I had to my friends.
 The distance and steadfastness of that old guy up there tends to encourage just that. The moon is a good keeper of stories, tales of the night and secrets.
 The Chinese celebrate "Midautumn Festival" commemorating the harvest in celebration with family and friends. The traditional Chinese celebration includes gazing at the moon, reciting moon-themed poetry and eating mooncakes.
 As a moon lover the first tradition is certainly appreciated, as a writer the second tradition is a challenging pleasure, and that third tradition - mooncakes, not to be confused with our American "moonpie" - has the word "cake" in it so it has to be good!
 So as we celebrate the fall or "Midautumn Festival" or the approaching cooler weather or the beauty of that big golden moon these next few months, take time to enjoy its special glow and "feel the night".
 The old moon, keeper of so many secrets for so many years, will remember nights of dancing and nights of football and nights of young girls singing.....and just quietly keep all good things to himself.

Obituaries

Vera Pettis

Vera Pettis was born May 2, 1929 to Will Harris and Ida Gates Shropshire in Houston.
 She passed away on Saturday, September 29, at 4:40 p.m. in Memorial Herman Southwest.
 Vera was the last child of six children; two brothers, three sisters, her parents, a grandson and husband, Herbert Pettis preceded death.
 She leaves to cherish her memories; a loyal and devoted daughter, Ida Harris of Houston; a caring and beloved son, Rev. Larry Eugene Harris, Sr. (Reva) of Missouri City; five grandchildren, Shasta, H. Earl, Cherry Ann, Sonya and Larry Jr.; four great-grandchildren; two sister-in-laws, Sarah Lee Lawrence and Alreuter Shropshire; and a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.
 The wake and funeral services will be held at Galilee Missionary Baptist Church, Rev. Dr. Edwin A. Davis, officiating, Saturday, October 6, at 10:00/11:00 a.m., respectfully.
 The final resting ceremony will be officiated by Rev. Coby Shorter, Jr. of Providence Baptist Church.
 Sympathy is extended to the family in their loss.



Robert Earl Norris

Robert Earl Norris (R.E.) departed this life on September 16 at 11:15 a.m.
 He was born to T.A. and Mary Jane (Hemphill) Norris in Colorado County on January 12, 1935, the fourth of six children.
 His is preceded in death by his parents; and sister, Constance King; and brothers, Norah and Roosevelt Norris.
 Robert was baptized at an early age at White Cloud Baptist Church under Reverend T.G. Gordon.
 He was a long time truck driver before he became ill in 1993 after suffering a stroke. He attended school in Yoakum and E.H. Henry High School in Eagle Lake.
 He married the love of his life, Pearl Preston on November 16, 1981. She selflessly and devotionally stood with Robert through sickness and health. They are the epitome of what love should be between a man and his wife. They shared a love that is unmatched to any other known to their families and friends. His favorite way of calling her was "Honee". He leaves behind to cherish his memories along with his wife two sons, Mark Preston (Beatrice) and Cogg Norris; granddaughters, Janice Monique and Shani Aliya Preston; his brother, Tyrone Norris; sisters, Mildred Reed of Rosenberg and Marie Glover (Earnest) of Altair and Debbie Norris; brothers-in-law; and Norvell King of Louisville, KY., JD and Margaret Page of Houston; and sisters-in-law, Betty Norris of Houston and Shirley White of Texas City; two special aunts, Jennie B. Hemphill and Myrtle Hemphill; and a host of nieces and nephews and friends.
 Robert was a man that could and would beat all odds that came against him. He did things that no one expected him to do because he didn't know the meaning of giving up. He was a man of determination, strength and character. A man in whom everyone that knew him respected him and listened to him. He had a special unique way of catching and holding one's attention.
 Funeral services were held Friday, September 21 at 11:30 a.m. at Hernandez Funeral Home in Rosenberg with Minister Greg Baines officiating. Interment followed at West Gethsemane Cemetery in Rosenberg. Most precious memories entrusted to Hernandez Funeral Home.
 Pallbearers were Darryl Norris, Robert Norris, Jr., Roderick White, Reginald White, Latural Norris, Charles White, Jr., Broderick White and Wendell Woodson.
 Honorary pallbearers were Mark Preston, Rickey Norris, Sr., Thomas Glover, J.D. Page, Earnest Glover, Richard Reed, Greg King and Greg Hemphill.
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 Lifestyle modifications such as increased physical activity, weight loss, and quitting smoking are ways to improve metabolic syndrome. Thirty to 60 minutes of exercise per day are recommended. When lifestyle modifications are not sufficient, medications may be prescribed. Medications such as *hydrochlorothiazide* may be prescribed for high blood pressure. Statin medications, such as *atorvastatin* (Lipitor) may improve cholesterol. *Aspirin* may help decrease the risk of heart attack and stroke.

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Nada Catholic Daughters Host Games Party

Forty senior citizens met at St. Mary's Parish Hall in Nada on Wednesday September 26 for an afternoon of visiting, playing dominos and enjoying delicious refreshments of chicken salad sandwiches, spinach dip, chips, chocolate cake brownies and tea served by hostesses Helen Noteboom, Leona Brzozowski, Rosemary Wied, Irene Seifert, Barbara Leopold and Anita Meisner.
 At the conclusion of the afternoon the domino winners were 42 hi- Leo Popp, low- Irene Fling, straight Leona Brzozowski, Irene Seifert, Viola Kaluza and Viola Frels.
 Chicken foot Cecelia Kallina,

Train Paul Baumgarten and the traveling prize was awarded to Josephine Becak.
 A donation was received from Lily Pinchback. Those attending sang Happy Birthday to Leona Brzozowski who celebrated a birthday during the month.
 Seniors 80 years of age and over were reminded of the "Make-a-Difference Day" party to be held in their honor on Saturday October 27 at the Lehrer Memorial Methodist Church Fellowship Hall in Garwood at 11:00 A.M.
 It was also noted that the next senior citizen party will be held on Halloween Day October 31 from 2:00 P.M.-4:30 P.M.

PJ's Auditions Set For October 21

The Prairie Edge Museum Junior Players of Eagle Lake are holding auditions for their exciting new show *Treasure Island*.
 Interested children should be between 5-15 years of age and be willing to rehearse Sunday afternoons starting Oct. 28. Performances are scheduled for

Saturday, Feb. 23 and Sunday, Feb. 24.
 Audition information: Sunday, Oct. 21, 1 to 5 p.m. (10 minute audition times for each child) at Prairie Edge Museum in Eagle Lake.
 Each child will audition separately and can sign up at the Wintermann Library in Eagle Lake.

Marsalia Reunion Held September 29

The 12 annual Marsalia reunion was held on Saturday, September 29 at the Mentz Hall. Everyone enjoyed a BBQ lunch, silent auction and horseshoe tournament.
 Those who attended were: Willie and Glenda Moore, Dianna and Greg Baish, Chuck Baish and Renee, Mary Lou and Gene Spalek, James and Boots Jewell, Thomas Marsalia,
 Frances Baird, Shirley Wilkerson, Erica Wilkerson, Rob and Christy Baish, Belita Hoffman, Kim, Megan and Hayen Bore, Les-

lie and Susan Wilkerson, Randy and Betty Baish, Jeanie and Dolly Marsalia, Paul, Sharon, Cameron and Justin Marsalia, Bobby and Becky Marsalia, Brian, Shana and Clay Nesvadba, Debbie Taylor, Wanda Henry, Roy Cranek, Dan M. Spence, Rebecca Hernandez and kids, Adie Fojtik, Gretchen Marsalia and kids, Jame Spence, Lloyd Jewell, Bryan and Tonya Spalek, James and Lillie Brune, James and Grace Medlin, Dustin Spence, Cody English, Scott and Gina Spence, Thelma and Wayne Marsalia.

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GRACE LUTHERAN: 408 N. Stevenson, Eagle Lake; Services begin at 10 a.m.; Rev. Clements Richard, Pastor; 234-3381.
LEHRER MEMORIAL UNITED METHODIST: Garwood; 9 a.m. worship.
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