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Struss Home Named Yard Of Month

By Patty Holloway
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Struss at 100 W. Stockbridge. They have lived at this address for only six months having moved from across the street where they have done a great deal of yard improvement.

They have a long way to go but it is such an improvement over the way it was.

There are a lot of knockout

roses and huge elephant ears plus many other lovely plants.

The lovely fountain is a birthday gift to Mr. Struss. Mr. and Mrs. Struss work in the hardware store that his grandfather established in 1928.

They have two grown daughters and four grandchildren.

Spooky Cupcakes

HALLOWEEN CUPCAKES
Makes 12

- 1/2 cup packed brown sugar
- 1/2 cup sunflower oil
- 2 eggs
- 1 cup grated butternut squash or pumpkin
- 1 cup self-rising flour
- 1 teaspoon baking powder
- 1 teaspoon ground cinnamon
- To decorate:
- 5 ounces white chocolate, chopped
- 1 ounce bittersweet chocolate

Preheat oven to 350 F, then line the muffin pan with paper liners.

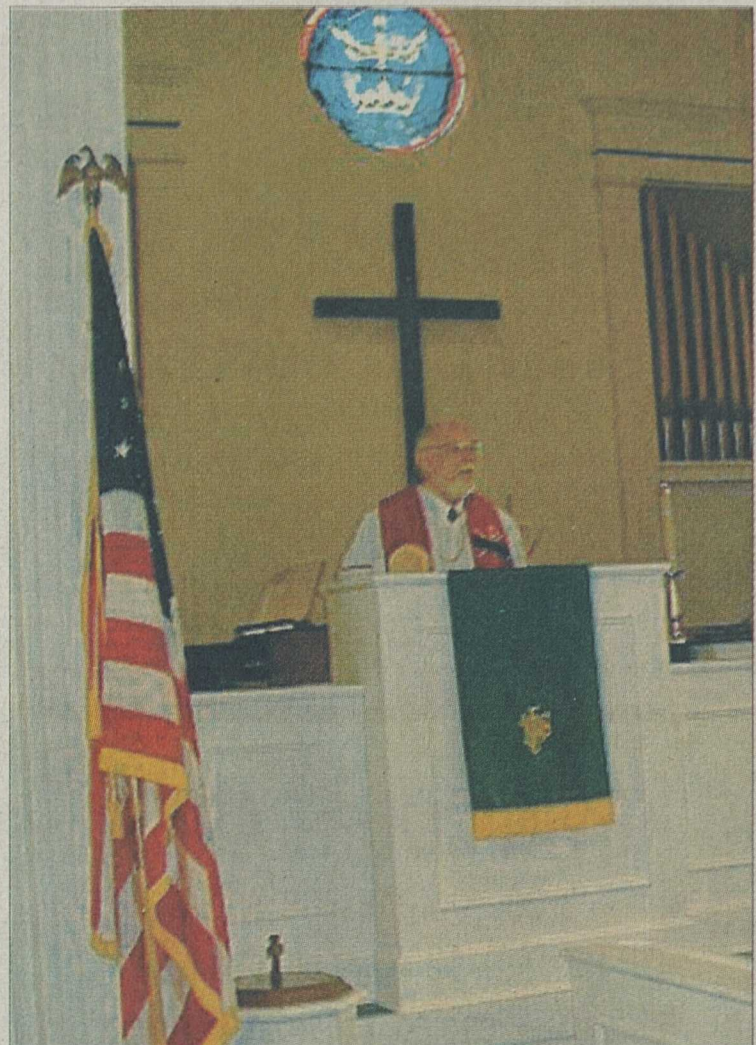
Put the sugar in a bowl and break up with the back of a fork, then beat in the oil and eggs. Fold in the grated squash or pumpkin and lemon zest. Combine the flour, baking powder and cinnamon in a bowl, then sift into the cake mixture and fold in.

Spoon the mixture into the cups and bake for about 18 minutes until risen and a skewer inserted in the center comes out clean. Transfer to a wire rack to cool.

To decorate, put the white and bittersweet chocolate in two separate heatproof bowls. Melt over a saucepan of simmering water or in a microwave. Let cool slightly, then spoon the white chocolate over the cupcakes.

Cut a large square of parchment paper and fold into eighths to make a cone and tape together. Spoon the bittersweet chocolate into the cone and snip the tip off so that you can pipe a thin line of chocolate. Put a dot of chocolate in the center of each cake, then pipe three concentric circles around the dot.

Using a skewer, draw a line from the central dot to the outside edge of the cake and repeat about eight times all the way around to create a spider's web pattern. Serve while the chocolate is still slightly soft and gooey.



Bishop Joel Martinez, Bishop of the Southwest Conference of the United Methodist Church, spoke and presented a certificate to the congregation for their Christian service to the community.

Methodist Church Celebrates 135 Years

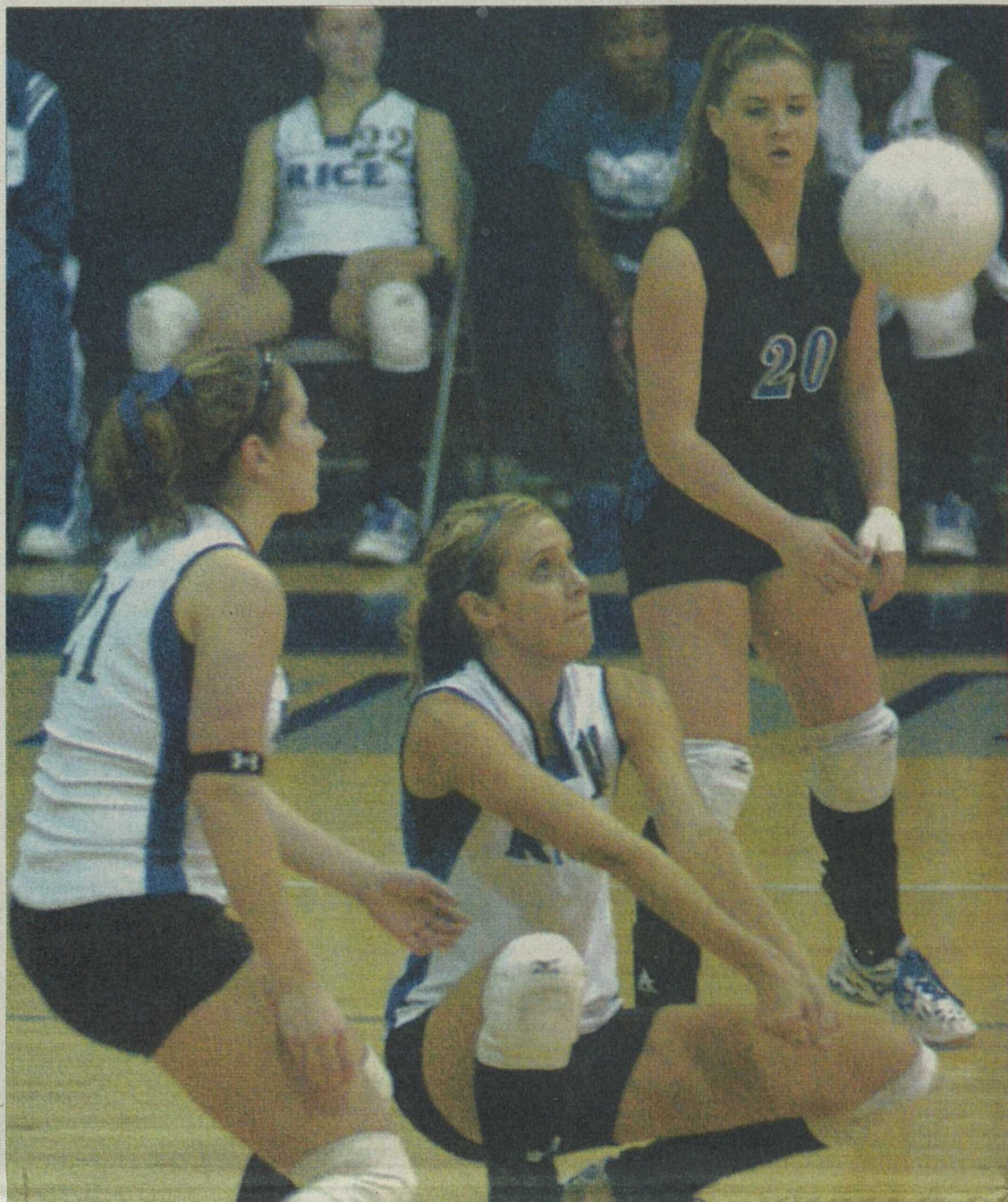
The United Methodist Church of Eagle Lake, had its 135 year celebration on Sunday September 30. It was established in 1872 and was the first Methodist church, as well as the first protestant church in Eagle Lake. The church began in a one-room wooden private school building when the town had a little more than 200 residents.

This congregation is now in its 5th building, on Prairie Street,

built in 1976.

State Representative Robby Cook spoke to the congregation and presented a Resolution from the State of Texas, commemorating the years of service to this community.

Jerrold Higgins was at the organ and the present pastor of this congregation is Rev. Ardith Nelson.



Kaci Kazmir bumps the ball as Kourtney Korenek, left, and Kristyna Lobpries, right, look on.

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