

President Len Matula R.V.O.S. Lodge #23 Nada presented two scholarships recently to Kourtney Korenek left, president Len Matula R.V.O.S. Lodge #23 Nada and Trey Staff.



Commander Len Matula presented the Rice Area Memorial Post #8783 Scholarship to Hillary Johnson recently.

Corridor

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need of the project as a possible project location when conducting environmental studies.

—To the extent practical, TxDOT shall plan and design facilities so that a landowner's property is not severed into two or more separate tracts and the original shape of the property is preserved.

"These principles will help guide TxDOT as we work to improve our state's traffic congestion and air quality problems," said Delisi.

"The Texas Legislature shares our commitment to improving highway safety and creating economic opportunity, and they expect us to meet these goals in keeping with our state's tradition of protecting the rights of property owners."

Delisi said that the Trans-Texas Corridor implementation plan "Crossroads of the Americas" should be updated to reflect changes in the state's transportation challenges since it was first released in June of 2002.

County Disaster Seminar Set For June 28

A Colorado County Disaster Preparedness Seminar will be held June 28 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

at the Fellowship Hall of the First United Methodist Church, 1229 Milam St, in Columbus.

The morning sessions from 10 a.m. to noon will include a presentation on "Preparing Your Church" and another session regarding the pros and cons of opening a shelter.

This will be followed by lunch. Participants will then be able to choose to attend one of the after-

noon sessions.

These sessions include: Preparing yourself and your home, Shelter Simulation, and Preparing your Business.

Church pastors, Business leaders, organization leaders and volunteers, and all people living in Colorado County are urged to attend this seminar.

To register for this free event, please contact Miriam Moerbe,

Wesley Nurse at: (979) 732-5275 or Miriam.Moerbe@MHM.org.

The program is organized by the American Red Cross, Colorado County Emergency Management, First United Methodist Church of Columbus and Wesley Nurse Health Ministries.

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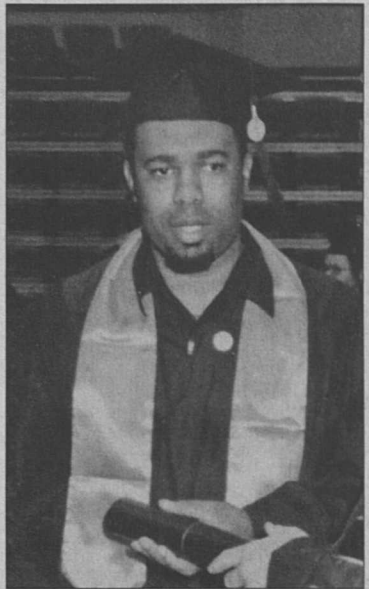
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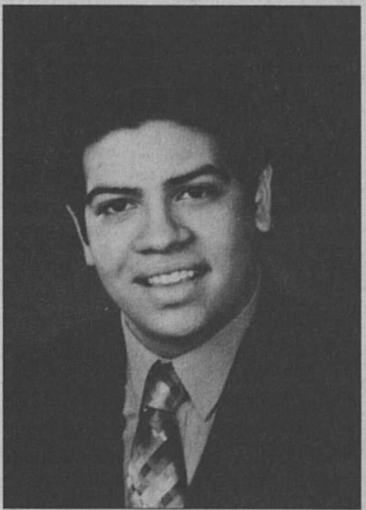
Chaston Gerard Thomas

Thomas Graduates SHSU

Chaston Gerard Thomas of Eagle Lake graduated from Sam Houston State University in Huntsville where he earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Psychology and a minor in Sociology. Chaston is a 2001 graduate of Rice Consolidated High School in Altair.

Chaston is the son of Sidney and Beverly Smith, Richard L. Thomas, Sr., and the grandson of Betty Stevenson all of Eagle Lake.

Thank you to Alice Williams and Carol Bluntson and a special thank you to Mrs. Claudine B. Shorter for all the support and guidance given throughout his educational endeavor.



Isaac Ivan Atwood

Atwood El Campo Top Grad

Isaac Ivan Atwood, grandson of G.A. and Febe Rodriguez of Eagle Lake, graduated from El Campo High School with the highest honors. As class valedictorian he earned Summa Cum Laude.

During his high school career he served as president of both the Spanish National Honor Society (SNHS) and the NHS. In doing so, he was distinguished from other graduates by wearing: two different stoles, one being yellow (NHS) and the other red (SNHS), a Texas Scholar Medallion, and a valedictorian medal. His final grade point average was 5,502 on a 5.0 scale.

He was involved in many numerous activities and held offices in all.

Isaac is the son of Robert C. Atwood and Harry and Delia Al-libone. Paternal grandparents are Virginia Getman and the late Ivan Atwood.

NEWSBRIEFS

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Coffee klatch is June 10

The monthly coffee klatch at the Garwood Veterans Memorial Library will be held Tuesday, June 10 from 9:30-11:30 a.m. The public is invited to attend.

UMC Dedication ceremony is June 11

The United Methodist Church (UMC) of Eagle Lake will hold their dedication ceremony on Wednesday, June 11 at 10 a.m. The church will receive its historical marker for over 100 years of Christian service to the community. Refreshments will be served.

St. Mary's picnic set for Sunday

St. Mary's Catholic Church west of Hallettsville will hold their annual picnic Sunday, June 8 starting at 9:15 with the celebration of mass. A meal will be served starting at 10:30. Plates are 6.50 each, dine-in or drive thru available. The auction begins at 1 p.m. with many items to bid on. Live music will be provided from 10:30 a.m. to 9 p.m. There will be plenty of games for both children and adults. Come out to the country to enjoy a fun filled day.

Garwood emergency number changed

The local emergency number for the Garwood Volunteer Fire Department (GVFD) and ambulance will no longer be available. Starting June 16 you will no longer be able to reach the GVFD and ambulance by dialing 758-3500. All emergencies should be reported by dialing 911.

Announcing narcotics anonymous

If you have a drug or alcohol problem or think you might have one and you want to stop, then Narcotics Anonymous is the solution! Every Wednesday, night from 8 to 9 p.m. in Columbus. For more information and location, please call (713) 858-5162.

Extra Pleasures to meet June 20

"Extra Pleasures" organizational meeting will be at the library on June 20 at 1:30 p.m. Come and bring your ideas for future activities. Our first activity will be a day trip to Martha's Bloomies Garden Center in Navasota.

Disaster preparedness seminar is June 28

The Colorado County Disaster Preparedness seminar will be held June 28 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the fellowship hall of the First United Methodist Church, 1229 Milam St. in Columbus. To register for this event is free. Call Miriam Moerbe at 979-732-5275 or Miriam.Moerbe@MHM.org.

DURING PREGNANCY

I am three months pregnant, and my gums feel a little bit sore. Should I put off going to the dentist until after my child is born?

During pregnancy, many women experience increased sensitivity and puffiness of the gums. Pregnancy causes an alteration in the estrogen and progesterone levels that, when coupled with plaque that is present in the mouth, can cause an exaggerated form of gingivitis. Professional dental cleanings twice during your pregnancy, as well as frequent daily brushing (3 times a day) and flossing will greatly reduce gums swelling and sensitivity.

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