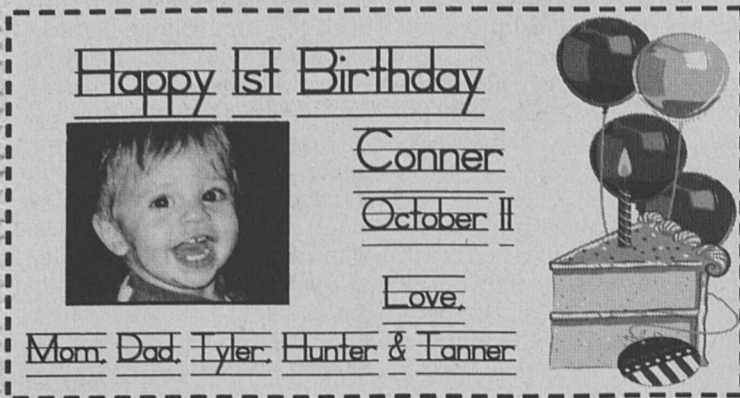


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Moore Celebrating 100th Birthday

Thelma Moore will be honored at a 100th Birthday Celebration Tea at the Live Oak Art Center, 1014 Milam Street in Columbus on Wednesday, October 15 from 2 - 4 p.m. This celebration is co-hosted by Columbus Garden Club and the Live Oak Art Center. Friends, neighbors, family and all who know and admire this special woman are invited to be a part of this celebration.

Moore is an amazing person and artist who, even after all of these years when most would want to retire to the easy chair, doesn't consider a day complete if she hasn't done at least one sketch in her notebook. She is an avid fiction reader and keeps up with national and local news. She lives independently in her own home and loves to cook and try new recipes.

She also enjoys having her family around her that includes her five children and their spouses, 16 grandchildren, 14 great grandchildren and 4 great-great grandchildren.

Moore was born, Thelma Maureen Rickert, in Morrowville, Kansas on October 12, 1908 to Grace Violet and Oliver Eugene Rickert. Some of her early childhood years were also spent in Washington, Kansas where her family farmed. She recalls happy days of snow sledding and scratching pictures in the frost on the windows at home and at school she drew pictures that were collected by her classmates.

Art was not taught in her elementary school or in her high school. She attended school in Morrowville through her first year in high school, then attended school in Seymour for two years before graduating in 1927 from Benjamin High School as valedictorian of her class. In 1929 she enrolled in Mary Hardin Baylor College at Belton and a year later she was hired to teach at the Mexican Ward School in Benjamin.

In 1932 she was hired as a fourth grade teacher in Megargel. There the local railroad depot agent arranged for her to ride to a nearby teacher's conference with a young male teacher who was rooming at his home. That young teacher would become Thelma's future husband, Ernest Houston Moore, a new coach and high school teacher at Megargel. Thelma rode with him to the conference and decided if she ever got to know him better, she'd tell him she didn't like the way he wore his hat. They were married in 1933 and took a wedding trip to the Chicago World's Fair.

They moved to Guthrie later that year and for a time Thelma taught private art students while Ernest taught school. Between 1938 and 1946 their five children were born: Michael William, Ernest Houston, Jr., Thelma Maurine, John Julian, and Toni Marilyn. All the children were born in Graham, Texas as Ernest had teaching or administrative positions nearby.

In 1948 the family moved to Troy in central Texas where Ernest was the school superintendent and after attending summer school for several summers Thelma graduated from Mary Hardin Baylor College in Belton and entered the teaching profession again. It was during this time that she received a driver's license. In 1954 she also earned her master's degree from the University of Texas and became a teacher of special education students in Temple.

It was in Temple that she first entered a painting for competition. The painting of a west Texas chuck wagon won Thelma her first "Best of Show" ribbon.

Upon the family moving to Colorado County in 1958 she taught one year in Columbus and taught for the remainder of her career in Eagle Lake until retirement in 1973 with 31 years of teaching experience. Thelma and Ernest moved to Columbus in 1974 where Ernest sold real estate in Colorado County until his death in 1988.

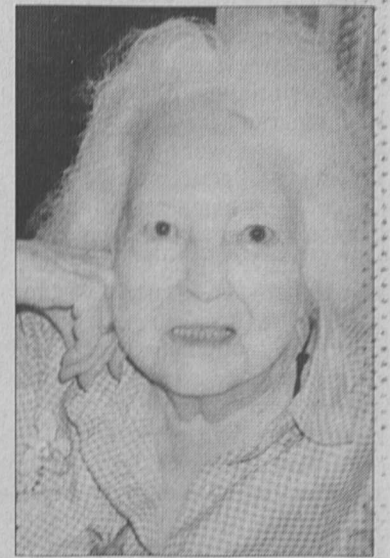
Thelma joined the Live Oak Art Center and took lessons in the center's workshops. She served as president of that group and was also an art teacher for local youth. She was an avid participant in the center's Wednesday paint group.

She has had one-woman shows at the Live Oak Art Center and she holds some 70 awards and ribbons for her paintings.

She also joined the Columbus Garden Club and served as secretary for many years prior to being elected to her current office of parliamentarian.

Attendees at the 100th Birthday Celebration Tea will not only be able to visit once again with Moore but will also be able to see some of her sketches, paintings and photos from the family scrapbook.

Of special interest is a wonderful picture, which has been beautifully framed, of two dresses that Thelma designed and sketched. One of them became her high school graduation dress. There is also a painting that depicts a story of when Indians came to a cabin in Kansas in 1879 where Violet Ann Pursley was tending her two-year old daughter and a new baby while her husband had gone to town for supplies. While he was gone, three Indians in war paint came and asked for food. Pursley cooked the very best she could and while she was cooking, one of the Indians went to the basinet, picked up the baby and held her. After a time, he gently put her down, saying "pretty papoose." The Indians ate, thanked her for



Thelma Moore

the food and left. Pursley was Thelma's grandmother. Thelma says, "I just had to capture this memory in my painting."

Columbus Garden Club and Live Oak Art Center encourage all to attend this special time in Thelma Moore's life. She has lived an incredible life and continues to take an active part in the lives of her family and friends. Columbus is honored to have her as a link between history of the past, acknowledgement of the steps taken and accomplishments achieved to the present, and a gracious optimism for the future.

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The Rice High School (RHS) Marching Band will be in competition on the following dates: Oct. 11, Blinn College Invitational Marching Contest, Brenham, performance time is at 3:15; Oct. 18, Region 13 UIL Marching Contest, El Campo, performance time is 11:15.

The bands that RHS compete against are Blinn Contest: 1A's -

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UIL Contest: Tidehaven, Brazos, Van Vleck, Industrial, East Bernard, Bloking. Part of a judge's score has to do with crowd response. We look forward to seeing our Raider fans in the stands supporting our band. The Mighty Rice Raider Band hopes that you can make it to these competitions.



Kaylee Janow was in Waco at the Heart of Texas fair Sunday and Monday and won reserve grand champion both days with her goat. She will be receiving a 1000.00 scholarship for continuing education.

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To the registered voters of the County of Colorado, Texas: (a las votantes registradas del Condado de Colorado, Texas):
 Notice is hereby given that the polling place listed below will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., November 4, 2008, for voting in a general election to elect presidential electors, Members of Congress, Members of the Legislature, and state, district, county, and precinct officers; (Notifíquese, por las presentes, que las casillas electorales citadas abajo se abrirán desde las 7:00 a.m. hasta las 7:00 p.m. el 7 de noviembre de 2008 para votar en la Elección General para elegir electores presidenciales, Miembros del Congreso, Miembros de la Legislatura, y oficiales del estado, distrito, condado y del precinto)

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 County Clerk's Office, Courthouse, Suite 103, Columbus (location) (sitio)

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