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Ruby Arlene Tyler Wills Henry

(March 22, 1917 - November 19, 2005)

The moment you died
 My heart split in two.

The one side filled with memories,
 The other died with you.
 I often lay awake at night
 When the world is fast asleep,
 I take a walk down memory lane
 With tears upon my cheeks.
 Remembering you is easy -
 I do it every day.
 Missing you is a heartache
 that never goes away.

I hold you tightly within my heart
 And there you will remain.

Life has gone on without you but it will never be the same.

For those who still have their mother,
 Treat her with tender care.

You will never know the emptiness as when you turn
 And she is not there.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY MOTHER!
 Love Forever, Carol Wills Horn
 March 22, 2009



Obituaries



Eddie Ray Taylor

Eddie Ray Taylor, 92, of Sheridan, passed away March 22 at Steven's Nursing and Rehabilitation Center in Hallettsville.

He was born July 17, 1916 in Thornton, Texas the son of Edgar E. and Selma (Rader) Taylor.

Eddie graduated in 1936 from Thornton High School.

A resident of Sheridan since 1953, he was employed as a Warehouse Superintendent at Petroleum Industry and was a member of the Sheridan Baptist Church and Charter member of Sheridan Lions Club.

Eddie was preceded in death by his parents; wife, Alva Lois Taylor; three sisters, Lois, Marguerite and Mildred; and two brothers, Rader and John Earl.

Left to cherish his memories are his sons, William David Taylor of Denver, Colorado and Phillip Ray Taylor of Silver City, New Mexico; six grandchildren; nine great-grandchildren; and a sister, Patsy Belk of Grand Prairie, Texas.

Funeral services were held Thursday, March 26 at 11 a.m. at Sublime Baptist Church with Rev. George Hayhurst officiating. Interment followed at Cheatham Cemetery in Sheridan. Arrangements were under the direction of Henneke Funeral Home of Columbus.

Pallbearers were Wayne Dupree, Franklin Walker, Eddie Glen Durham, James Durham, Herman Barkley and Chris Jackson.

Sympathy is extended to the family in their loss.

Frank J. Ripper, Jr.

Frank J. Ripper, Jr., 79, of Niederwald, Texas formally of Eagle Lake, passed away Thursday, March 26 in Niederwald.

He was born February 27, 1930 in Weimar the son of Frank and Annie Ripper.

Frank was preceded in death by his parents; and a sister, Joyce Ann Perry.

Survivors include a daughter, Nethia Hinkle of Brookshire; three sons, Joe D. Ripper and Cathy of Deer Park, Harold F. Ripper and Faye of San Antonio, and Andy A. Ripper of Niederwald; five grandchildren, Wesley Ripper, Jessica Kester, Timothy Hinkle, Joey Ripper and Nicole Ripper.

Visitation was held from 9:30 to 11 a.m. on March 31 at Eagle Lake Funeral Home.

Graveside services were held March 31 at 11:30 a.m. at Lakeside Cemetery in Eagle Lake with Rev. Ardie Nelson officiating. Eagle Lake Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Sympathy is extended to the family in their loss.

Large Turnout Seen For Domino Party

Fifty-one senior domino players from Nada, Garwood, El Campo and Eagle Lake gathered at St. Mary's Parish Hall in Nada on Wednesday, March 25, and enjoyed playing domino games and visiting with friends.

At mid-afternoon all were treated to a light lunch of cheese sandwiches, spinach dip, chips, lime jello dessert, almond bark cookies and iced tea.

Serving as hostesses were Catholic Daughter members Helen Noteboom, Irene Seifert, Rosemary Wied, Leona Brzozowski, Linda Swoboda and Anita Meisner.

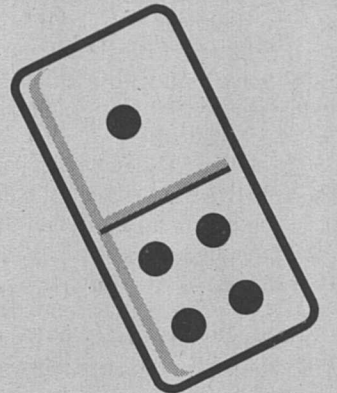
At the conclusion of the games winners were announced, 42-high Leon Meisner, 42-low, Mary Ann Waligura, and straight dominos, Joyce Zbranek, Viola Kaluza, Virginia Balusek and Pauline Leopold. Chicken foot, Henreitta Patrick and train, Martha Marek. The traveling prize was awarded to Leon Meisner.

Seniors celebrating birthdays during the month were Irene Seifert, Agnes Labay, Viola Frels,

Lois Matoon and Frank Becak. All were remembered with a small gift and honored with everyone singing "Happy Birthday" to them.

The hostesses acknowledge and express their appreciation for donations received from Frank and Josephine Becak, Lily Pinchback, Virginia Balusek, Doug McLeod and Ann Carpenter.

The next domino party will be held at St. Mary's Parish Hall in Nada on Wednesday, April 29 at 2 p.m. area senior citizens are invited to come and join the fun.



Struss To Speak At Study Club In April

By Helyn Farris

The guest speaker for the April 8 meeting of the Eagle Lake Study Club will be local history buff, Sidney Struss. The subject of Struss' presentation will be titled "This Old House."

Sidney and Barbara Struss are the owners of the oldest residen-

tial property in the city of Eagle Lake. The home and its various owners throughout the years from its construction in the 1860's up to the 21st century will be covered by the speaker.

As a history buff and researcher, Sidney Struss had delved into the history of the previous owners of his home, collecting many little known facts about each and/or the roles each played in Texas history or Eagle Lake's history. Probably the one former occupant that is most widely known to those interested in Texas history is Dilue Rose Harris who's account of the Runaway Scrape was written during the time she resided here with her daughter and son-in-law.

Sidney Struss has made an important contribution to the Wintermann Library by digitizing the microfilm of the early issues of the Eagle Lake Headlight. His effort has made it possible for local citizens or individuals living great distances away to access this treasure trove of material by their personal computers if interested in historical or genealogical research.

The meeting, in the conference room of Wintermann Library, will begin at 2 p.m., Wednesday, April 8. The Study Club extends a public invitation to anyone interested in hearing Struss speak on "This Old House" to attend the meeting.

Gadabouts Report On March Meet

Catherine Berger, Club Secretary

President Anita Meisner welcomed eleven members and two guests, Janis Pfeffer and Sharon Graham, to the meeting held in Anita's home. Catherine Berger led the opening prayer and pledge to the flag. The minutes were read by Catherine, as well as the roll call. Helen Noteboom gave the treasurer's report.

Hospitality: Anita reported get-well cards were sent to Janice Phillips, Minnie Conner, Lorene Lanier, Clara Lobpries, Lawrence Berger, Lawrence and Edna Shimek, Walter Braden and Herbert Popp. Sympathy cards were sent to Iris Danklefs, Josephine Popp and LaJuan Braden.

Gardening: Most of the gardens have been planted, but rain is much needed.

Unfinished Business: The Older Texan Fair will be held May 6th at the Sheridan Community Center. Reservations for the meal ticket of \$8.00 must be made by April 29th. Contact Helen Noteboom to make reservations. Each club is to furnish a door prize if they have reserved a table. The Gadabouts will also have a silent auction this year as one of our fundraisers.

We will again entertain the kindergarten class in May, date to be announced. Chicken nuggets, catsup, fries, cookies and punch will be served.

Sharon discussed the importance of reporting volunteer hours, miles and money spent, as these reports go to the State Extension Office and the State Legislature and Colorado County gets credit for it.

New Business: Anita reported the loss of three veterans in recent weeks and that she did a eulogy for each of them. Anita would like to see the same done at the deaths of club members. Anita was appointed to do this.

Announcements: Our May 21st meeting will be our Mother's Day luncheon

Senior Citizen game party-Wednesday, March 25 at 2 p.m.

Nada KC Fish Fry's continue each Friday during Lent in Nada.

Anita read a paper entitled Lincoln/Kennedy Coincidence.

Program: Janis Pfeffer Extension Agent for Colorado County said that now with the economic situation, people are looking for ways to save money. Janis gave a demonstration on how to save money on beauty treatments, by making a salt scrub and giving each lady a sample to take home and try, as well as the recipe for it.

The door prize was won by Viola Frels.

Volunteer Hours - 141; Miles - 529; and Money Spent - \$548.86.

Following the meeting, refreshments of chicken spaghetti, garlic bread, assorted salads, summer sausage, crackers and cheese, assorted cookies, cheese roll, iced tea and coffee were provided by Anita, Sybil, Catherine, Helen, Leona and Henrietta.



Carter Rayne Shanks

Mr. and Mrs. Brandon Shanks of Wharton are proud to announce the birth of their second child, a boy, Carter Rayne Shanks was born on March 26 at 4:52 p.m. weighing seven pounds, 12 ounces, and 19 inches long.

Rayne was welcomed home by his brother, Sullivan Shanks.

Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Karl Reiners of Opelousas, LA and paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Shanks, Jr. of Eagle Lake.

Rayne is also welcomed home by great grandparents, and a host of uncles, aunts, cousins, and family.

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Lupus is an autoimmune condition characterized by chronic inflammation that may affect the skin, joints, kidneys, heart, and or lungs. Systemic lupus erythematosus (SLE) is the most common and a serious type of lupus. The immune systems in individuals with this condition attack both foreign substances in the body as well as healthy tissues. Signs and symptoms of SLE include depression, fatigue, easy bruising, and or joint pain. Symptoms of lupus typically occur as periodic flares, with intermittent remissions.

Individuals affected by SLE are encouraged to lead a healthy lifestyle so as to minimize the impact of the symptoms, including regular exercise, a healthy diet, and adequate rest. For mild to moderate symptoms, non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drugs such as *ibuprofen* (Advil, Motrin) and *naproxen* (Aleve) are available over-the-counter or with a prescription for the treatment of inflammation and pain. Anti-malarial medications, such as *hydroxychloroquine* (Plaquenil), may be prescribed for the prevention of SLE flares, although there is no relationship between malaria and lupus. Corticosteroids, such as *prednisone*, work to reduce inflammation, although are typically only used for short-term treatment.

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Bible Verse of The Week

And the multitudes that went before, and that followed, cried saying, "Hosanna to the Son of David: blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord; Hosanna in the highest. -Matthew 21:9
 Submitted by Carol Cardenas

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