

Eagle Lake Chamber To Host Howl-O-Ween Special Events

The Eagle Lake Chamber of Commerce will be hosting several special events this Halloween that you will not want to miss!!! The Special Events include a spectacularly huge 5,000 sq. ft. haunted house - "Chamber's House of Terror!!!", a Halloween Costume Contest, a Screaming Contest and a Pumpkin (Carved or Decorated) Contest!!

The "Chamber's House of Terror" will be the Highlighted Event of the Evening on

Saturday, October 31, at the Eagle Lake Chamber Office, 303 E Main St. with doors Creaking Open - 6 to 10 p.m. The "Chamber's House of Terror" is being created with the help of all the

"Haunted House" experts in the area, coming together, and pooling their "Haunting" minds to create an experience you will not want to miss!!! If you dare to Enter, the "Care Takers" will not Disappoint!!! Admission is only a mere \$1 per person per trip - if you dare enter again!!!

The Chamber is also excited about their Costume, Screaming and Pumpkin Contests.

The Costume and Screaming Contest will be held on Saturday, October 31 at the Eagle Lake Chamber office at 4 p.m. and will have several group divisions.

The overall Halloween Contest Winner will receive a Season Pass to Splashway!!

Division winners of the Costume Contest will each receive a Gift Certificate.

The "Screamer of Screamers" in the Screaming Contest will also be awarded a Gift Certificate.

No entry forms are required for the Costume or Screaming Contests.

In the Pumpkin (Carved or Decorated) Contest, pumpkins can be delivered to the Chamber office - Monday through Thursday, October 26 thru October 29, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. and in the evening 5 to 7 p.m.

Entry forms for the Pumpkin contest will be completed when you drop off your pumpkins.

The deadline to enroll in the

Pumpkin Contest is Thursday, October 29 at 8 p.m.

The general public will be the judges in the Pumpkin Contest so we need for you to come by the Chamber Office and vote for your favorite pumpkin, in fact "We Dare You".

Voting begins Friday, October 30, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.; 5 to 8 p.m. or Saturday, October 31, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

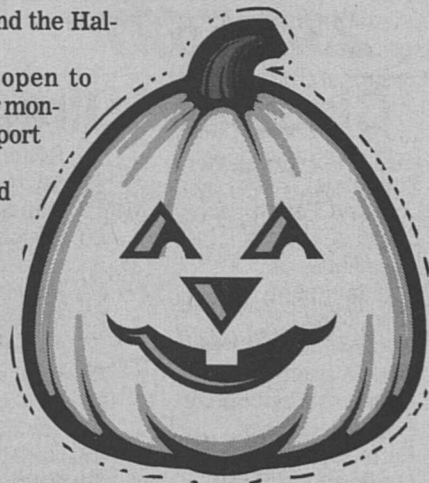
What clean fun for all on Halloween!! These events will be supervised by many adult volunteers making the events safe and fun for all age groups.

Start making your plans today and be ready for the 5,000 sq. ft. haunted house - "Chamber's

House of Terror!!!", and the Halloween Contests!!!

The Chamber is open to accepting any candy or monetary donations to support this event.

For more detailed information, you may go online to www.VisitEagleLake.com for all the information or contact the Eagle Lake Chamber of Commerce at 979-234-2780, Monday thru Friday.



Wal-Mart representative Robert Jones presents a donation to Sue Weller for the Eagle Lake Primary School.

Wal-Mart Gives To Eagle Lake Primary

Walmart is helping Eagle Lake Primary School (ELES) purchase much-needed classroom supplies through its new Teacher Rewards Program.

At a check presentation ceremony at ELES the school's principal, Sue Weller, was presented with a \$500 grant from the Walmart Foundation.

Nationally, the Teacher Rewards program will enable Walmart and Sam's Club to provide more than \$4 million to 40,000 deserving teachers across the United States.

"Walmart is committed to helping address unmet needs in the communities where we serve" said Wal-Mart Representative Robert Jones. "Our support for

ELES underscores this commitment, and we are hopeful that through the Teacher Rewards Program, educators will be able to purchase the materials needed for the new school year."

The new Teacher Rewards Program is an extension of the retailer's ongoing support of education and local community involvement.

In 2008, Walmart, Sam's Club and the Walmart Foundation gave more than \$66 million to fund educational programs and scholarships in communities across the country.

To learn more about the Walmart Foundation's commitment to education, visit www.walmartfoundation.org.



Father Robert Guerra and Ruby Gasca are looking at a quilt that was handmade donated to the live auction that will be held October 18 for the fall festival.

This event is held annually by the Parish of the Nativity and welcomes the community to come and join us for a full day of fun, many activities and food for the entire family.

The fall festival is held at the Pavilion on Austin Road across from the Hospital. BBQ brisket and sausage with all the trimmings will be served starting at 11 a.m.-1 p.m. with curb service or dine in at \$8 a plate.

Tickets can be purchased ahead of time by contacting the parish office.

Nesbitt Library Open House Oct. 16

The public is invited to an open house and dedication of the Bill Stein Texas Room slated from 2-5 p.m., Friday, Oct. 16 at Nesbitt Memorial Library in Columbus.

The dedication will include viewing of the new portrait of Stein by noted Colorado County artist Ken Turner.

Stein was the long-time Nesbitt library director and highly regarded historical archivist.

The event is sponsored by the Nesbitt Memorial Library Foundation, Inc.

The library is located at 529 Washington St. in Columbus, across from Columbus Elementary School.

Deadline Soon For Cotton Stalk Destruction

The Texas Department of Agriculture reminds cotton growers in Zone 3, Area 3 that Oct. 20 is the deadline for cotton stalk destruction to comply with producer-established dates to control boll weevils.

The Oct. 20 deadline applies to cotton fields in Chambers, Colorado, Fayette, Galveston, Gonzales, Harris, Jefferson, Lavaca, Liberty, Orange, Waller and Washington counties.

Deadlines for cotton stalk destruction are established by regulations adopted under the Cotton Pest Control Law to help control boll weevils.

After the deadline, cotton stalks are not allowed to have squares, blooms or uncracked bolls, and must remain without

fruiting structures until emergence of the new cotton crop next spring.

Planting next spring cannot begin before Feb. 1, 2010.

Cotton is a host for the boll weevil.

The beetle remains the most destructive cotton pest in North America.

The Texas Legislature established the Texas Boll Weevil Eradication Foundation in 1993 to eradicate the pest and ensure Texas remains the No. 1 cotton producing state in the nation.

Cotton has more than a \$4 billion annual economic impact on the Lone Star State.

HOW'S YOUR TECHNIQUE?

Not sure if you're flossing correctly? Here are the steps for the best method. Keep in mind that dentists suggest daily flossing as a goal.

1. With your hands a few inches apart, wind about 18 inches of floss (a waxed floss is best) around both of your middle fingers.
2. Slide the floss delicately between your teeth to the gum line, curving the floss into a C-shape so you can rub each side of each tooth gently. Never snap the floss into the gums because this can cause bleeding and injure the teeth and gums.
3. Don't forget to floss the backs of your last teeth and molars; plaque can accumulate there too.

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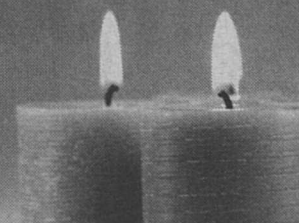


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