

Melvin And Rita Sunderman Home On Christmas Tour

“Boots, Chaps & Cowboy Hats” at the Sunderman Home...
Walking into the lovely spacious Sunderman home at 1066 Lakeview Lane, one automatically senses Melvin and Rita’s love for family and friends.
The house seems to have been built with that in mind: the comfort and enjoyment of family and friends who visit here, with perhaps a special touch for the visitor’s inner cowboy or cowgirl.
Completed in September 2007,

the style of the house is Texas Hill Country with exterior limestone accents and rough cedar shutters and columns.
The interior of the house has a western influence décor mixed with Country French.
Casual and designed to fit the lifestyle of the family, the house includes a hobby room for sewing and quilting, two of Rita’s favorite pastimes.
Fortunate guests can also view some of her completed

items handsomely displayed in the house.
The gourmet kitchen is home to many decorative chickens, along with an eight-burner cooktop, which seems to always receive a comment or two from first-time visitors.
The Sundermans are lifelong residents of the Eagle Lake area. Melvin grew up about 1-1/2 miles east of the city, and Rita grew up in the nearby Elm Grove area.
Their ancestors came to Eagle

Lake in the late 1890’s and early 1900’s, so they boast of being true Eagle Lake natives.
The families have been in this area for six generations – that’s a lot of Christmas celebrations to remember and a lot of traditions to continue!
Five Christmas trees with an additional array of other seasonal decorations will be delightfully displayed. A tree with festive finery on the front patio will welcome everyone indoors.
There will also be a western tree in the grandchildren’s room, a chicken tree in the guest bedroom, a Hill Country tree in the foyer and a chef tree in the kitchen.

The lovely back patio will provide visitors with the lucky family’s daily view of THE lake in Eagle Lake, amid an attractive outdoor setting only nature itself could readily provide and adorn.
What’s a favorite holiday memory in this home? The Sunderman’s, like most proud and loving grandparents, count their three grandchildren as special guests year round, but perhaps especially during the holiday season.
Rita says, “Our grandchildren love to come to ‘Grita’ and ‘Papa’s’ house for Christmas and this year promises to be even more exciting with our additional trees and decorations.”
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The Melvin and Rita Sunderman home at 1066 Lakeview Lane will be on display during the Garden Clubs Homes Tour on December 5.

Christmas ‘Round The World Theme For Parade

Feliz Navidad! Meli Kalikimaka! Gun Tso Sun Tan’Gung Haw Sun! Kala
Christouyenna! Buone Feste Natalizie! Merry Christmas! It is that time of year again and the Eagle Lake Chamber of Commerce is preparing for the Holiday “Parade of Lights – Christmas Around the World” and we want your participation!
The annual holiday parade sponsored by the Eagle Lake Chamber of Commerce is going around the world this year and we hope you are, too!
This year’s parade will be held Saturday, December 12. Whether you decide to join us by celebrating the traditional way or celebrate the season by taking a trip around the world, it’s time to start preparing for exciting holiday festivities.
You as an individual, your business, a group of your friends, etc. can have a float, walk or march

in our parade. You don’t have to take a trip around the world; you can come as you are. This can be a team-building project for your employees or a fun project for you and your friends.
This year’s parade is going to be bigger and better than ever! We are getting an early start so you can be thinking of the great float you are going to enter.
Remember, lighting your entry is a must and you cannot include a live Santa or Mrs. Clause on your float. For safety reasons candy or other items cannot be thrown.
Judges will award prizes in the following categories: Annual Chamber President’s Award (Grand Prize), Judge’s Special Award (2nd), Grand Marshall’s Award (3rd), 2009 Theme Award (Christmas Around the World), Traditional Christmas Award, Best Lights, Most Spirited, Most Original/Unique Entry and Best Musical Entry.

Judging will be between 5:30 and 6:45. Late entries will not be judged. Awards will be announced as entries pass the announcement stand.
Please return the entry form to the Chamber of Commerce at the above address, fax or email by Tuesday, December 1, 2009. Placement in the parade is on a first-come, first serve basis, so hurry and enter.
A parade route map, the lineup and all other pertinent information will be forwarded to you soon after the December 1 deadline.
We hope you will join us in this fun-filled event. Please remember to encourage others to enter our parade.
The Chamber will also be hosting a Christmas Mall on Saturday from 10 a.m. – 9 p.m. in the Chamber building.
Snacks and holiday gifts will be available. Feel free to call the

Chamber at 979-234-2780 or e-mail events@VisitEagleLake.com if you have any questions or need additional entry forms.
Information and entry forms are also available at www.VisitEagleLake.com. Please feel free to copy the form as needed.

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Weekly Migratory Bird Report

Texas Parks & Wildlife Department

Oct. 28, 2009
Weekly migratory bird hunting reports are posted from early September through early February.
High Plains Mallard Management Unit: Opening weekend saw fast shooting over playa lakes for teal, gadwalls, wigeons and a few pintails. The season opens again Oct. 30, and prospects remain solid with back-to-back cold fronts forecasted for this week. Dark geese continue to trickle to the Panhandle, though they are not legal game until Nov. 7. Prospects are good.
North Zone Duck Forecast: Conditions are wet throughout the North Zone, with rivers, sloughs, bayous and reservoirs brimming with water. That bodes well for hunters compared to past years of drought when ducks bypassed East and Northeast Texas. Lots of teal, gadwalls, wood ducks and a few wigeons have been seen. Very few mallards have been reported, but that could change quickly if cold fronts continue to make it to Texas. The first split runs Oct. 31-Nov. 29. Prospects are good.
South Zone Duck Forecast: What had been a severe drought across the coast during the summer has quickly turned into life-giving rainfall for the past six weeks. The coastal prairies and marshes have benefitted tremendously from the rain, and waterfowl will reap the rewards this winter. Some outfitters are reporting more teal now than during the special September season. Pintails, gadwalls, wigeons and shovellers are the species most abundant along with greenwings and bluewings. Snow geese should show en masse sometime this week with back-to-back cold fronts and a bright moon forecasted. Coastal flats from Port O’Connor to Rockport still need a good push of redheads to make for good shoots opening day. Specklebellies should be solid for opening

day. The first split runs Oct. 31-Nov.29. Prospects are good.
South Zone Dove: Torrential rainfall early this week hurt the dove flight in South Texas and along the coast. Participation has waned with the upcoming deer and duck season on the horizon. Another round of cold air should push new birds to the region. The Rio Grande Valley continues to be the hotspot, with good shoots posted in McMullen, Live Oak, Webb and Uvalde counties, too. The season runs through Nov. 3. Prospects are fair to good.

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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Correction

The Hunting Guide in last week’s edition had some incorrect dates for goose season. Following are the correct dates.
West
Light and Dark Geese - November 7, 2009–February 7, 2010
Light Geese (Conservation Order) - February 8-March 28, 2010
East
Light Geese - October 31, 2009-January 24, 2010
White-fronted Geese - October 31, 2009-January 10, 2010
Canada Geese - October 31, 2009-January 24, 2010
Light Geese (Conservation Order) - January 25-March 28, 2010

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