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scheduled will be very similar to previous years. All classes are responsible for their respective Friday night get-togethers, parade down Main Street on Saturday morning at 10 a.m., visitation at community center with teachers and friends Saturday, and a dinner and dance on Saturday night. More information will be mailed to class members in the Spring 2010. If anyone has questions or suggestions, please contact Sidney Struss, Class of 1968 at 234-2020.

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DPS Gives Cartel Activity Warning

The Texas Department of Public Safety is warning parents across the state to be aware of efforts by Mexican cartels and transnational gangs to recruit Texas youth in our schools and communities.

These violent organizations are luring teens with the prospect of cars, money and notoriety, promising them if they get caught, they will receive a minimal sentence.

The Mexican cartels constantly seek new ways to smuggle drugs and humans into Texas as now using state based gangs and our youth to support their operations on both sides of the border.

For example, Laredo natives Gabriel Cardona and Rosalio Reta were recruited in their teens to be hit men for the Zetas.

The Zetas, composed primarily of former Mexican military commandos, originally served as the enforcement arm of the Gulf Cartel, but have since become their own cartel.

El Paso teens have been recruited to smuggle drugs across the border, many with the packs taped to their bodies.

While such recruitment is growing across Texas, juveniles along the Texas-Mexico border are particularly susceptible.

In 2008, young people from the counties along the Texas-Mexico border accounted for just nine percent of the population in Texas, but 18 percent of the felony drug charges and gang-related arrests.

“As these dangerous organizations seek to co-opt our children to support their criminal operations, it is more important than ever that parents be aware of these risks, talk to their children and pay attention to any signs that they may have become involved in illegal activities,” said Steven C. McCraw, director of the Texas Department of Public Safety.

To protect our communities and our children from these powerful and ruthless criminal organizations, local, state and federal law enforcement agencies and the District Attorneys in Texas border counties are working together to detect, disrupt and deter Mexican cartel-related crime along the Texas-Mexico border.

Sheridan Spotlight News

By Melba Castillo

The Sheridan Go-Getters had their monthly meeting on Tuesday, November 10. Every other year the club has a fundraiser to support a local organization in our local community. This year the club decided to support two hospice groups which were Southwest Texas Hospice of Hallettsville and Houston Hospice of El Campo. Invited to attend the meeting were Ms. Maria Hermes of Southwest Texas Hospice and Mr. Edgar Roades of Houston Hospice of El Campo who each received a donation of \$250 for their organization.

Both Ms. Hermes and Mr. Roades provided the club members with an enlightening presentation describing what hospice care entails and their assistance in helping terminally ill patients and their grieving families.

The Go-Getters received a delightful thank-you note from St. Christus Hospital in appreciation for the club's donation of blankets and prayer shawls to the neonatal section. The premie babies are wrapped up with the blankets which are placed under their necks or lay under the baby (to pick up their scent). They provide two for each baby so one is always ready for the mothers to take home upon their discharge. St. Christus says that they truly provide stitches of love and life.

In addition, new officers for the Sheridan Go-Getters were elected for 2010 as follows: Betty Varley, President, Melba Castillo, Vice-President, Ann Moore, Secretary, Carmen Jackson, Treasurer, Program Chairman, Irene Hagendorf, and Betty Varley, Historian. Officers

will be installed in January. Refreshments for the meeting were provided by Mrs. Zelda Walker. Attending the meeting were Dixie Vetuski, Ruby Pasatik, Ann Moore, Rose Thumann, Joyce Ohm, Melba Castillo, Lillian Gohlke, Dixie Koonce, Betty Varley, Karen Moss, and Irene Hagendorf.

Each year any and all Sheridan residents are encouraged to decorate one of the many trees for Christmas that are located in Logan Park for the Tree Lighting Ceremony. Anyone desiring to do so, please contact Zelda Walker at 979-234-3937 preferably before the Thanksgiving weekend.

On December 6, 2009 the Sheridan Lions Club will hold its “Small Town Christmas” for local children at the Sheridan Community Center. Santa will be in attendance. A member will hand out a ticket to each child who attends and each child will receive a Christmas present from Santa. Refreshments of punch and cookies will be provided.

On December 8, 2009, the Sheridan Go-Getters will be providing a Christmas Party for the elderly residents of Stevens Nursing Home in Hallettsville. The members gather socks, toiletries, small gifts, baked goods, candies, dips, cakes, and provide refreshments. The members all say that they receive much more than they give when they see the faces of the residents and look forward to each year's Christmas Party.

A long resident of Sheridan,

Mrs. Audrey Adams Dupree, who was residing at Stevens Nursing Home, passed away on November 9, at the age of 93. She is survived by her sons, Warren and Wayne Dupree and her daughter-in-law, Natalie Dupree of Sheridan, Texas. Grave site services were held on November 13, at Cheatham Cemetery in Sheridan. Attending were her many friends, neighbors and acquaintances. The family requested memorials (in lieu of flowers) to the Sheridan Memorial Library or Hospice of South Texas.

The Board of Directors of the Sheridan Memorial Library honored Marilyn Murphy on her retirement as librarian for the library on Thursday, November 12, at the community center. The Board and the community wishes to say “thanks” to Marilyn for her many years of service.

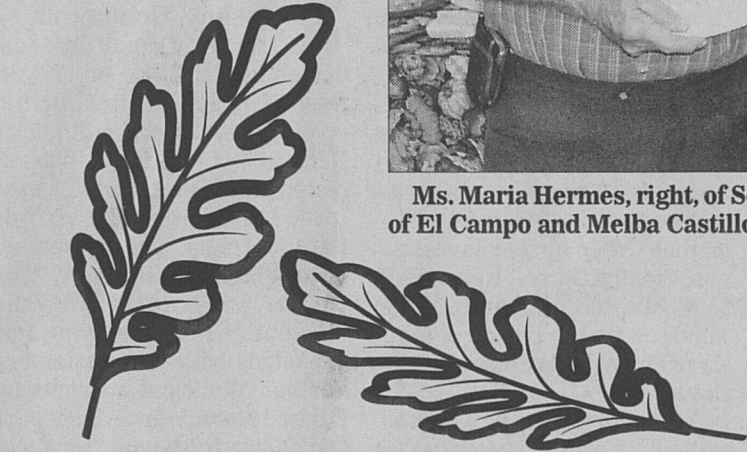
The Moore family has had a great deer season so far. It was a great opening day for Cole Moore, age 14 during youth season. Cole got two deer, which made grandparents, Ann and Michael Moore very happy and proud. His dad, Scott Moore got his first deer on the second day of deer season and grandfather, Michael Moore got his first deer last week in the hill country.

Happy Birthday to Dixie Koonce, November 18, Johnny Hobbs, William C. Gohlke, November 28, Natalie Dupre, Barbara Briscoe, Kenneth Nance and Larry Varley on November 30.

HAPPY THANKSGIVING!!!



Ms. Maria Hermes, right, of Southwest Texas Hospice and Mr. Edgar Roades of Houston Hospice of El Campo and Melba Castillo who each received a donation of \$250 for their organization.



Letters to Santa ...

Hey Kids, Write Santa a Letter!

The Eagle Lake Headlight wants to print your letter to Santa in its Christmas issue.

All letters received by December 11 will be printed. Include your FULL NAME, your AGE and ADDRESS.

Dear Santa,

Mail or bring your letter to the Eagle Lake Headlight Office no later than December 11.

There is a mail slot if you would like to use it.

EAGLE LAKE WEATHER REPORT			
Information Courtesy of Texas A&M University System Agricultural Research and Experiment Station, Eagle Lake			
Date	Temp (H/L)	Rainfall(in.)	
Mon. 11-09-09	75/59	0.00	
Tue. 11-10-09	76/57	0.00	
Wed. 11-11-09	76/52	0.00	
Thu. 11-12-09	75/48	0.00	
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Thanks to all who participated!

