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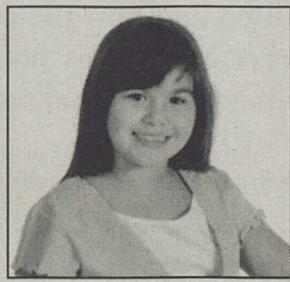


You're a niece that truly shines, bright as a star in the darkest of times. Knowing you're my niece makes me so proud, you'd stand out in any crowd. You my dear niece, I truly love, picked specially for me by the Lord above.

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Week Four Winners For Kringle Cash

Warm your pockets with a little extra cash this holiday season by entering The Eagle Lake Headlight's Kris Kringle Christmas Cash Giveaway Contest.

The contest is underway and each week lucky readers can win \$50 a week for their holiday shopping.

Winners from the fourth week were Bianca Cantu of Eagle Lake and Judy Estlinbaum of Sheridan.

Cantu will use her winnings at Eagle Lake Nails and Estlinbaum at Simple Simon's Pizza.

Each week a special Christmas symbol will be placed in advertisements throughout the newspaper.

Simply count the number of times the symbol appears, and

send in your answer to the Headlight. Entry form on page 2.

All correct entries, submitted by the deadline, will be eligible for a weekly drawing.

Two entries will be drawn each week and the winners will be awarded a \$25 check or gift certificate made out to the business that has an ad appearing in the edition for which they are entering the contest.

Only one entry per person will be accepted.

Employees of The Headlight and their immediate families are not eligible.

So join in the fun and let the Headlight help you do some Christmas shopping!



Bianca Cantu



Judy Estlinbaum

Chamber Pleased With Parade, Mall Outcome

Eagle Lake was buzzing with holiday cheer on Saturday, December 12. The Eagle Lake Chamber of Commerce not only had its yearly Parade of Lights and visit from Santa, but it hosted the first annual Christmas Mall, Sing-A-Long and Blood Drive.

Hundreds of people from Eagle Lake and surrounding areas "shopped Eagle Lake" with over 48 vendors selling jewelry, crafts, electronics, cosmetics, food and more.

Not only were they shopping, but everyone that visited the Chamber building was greeted with beautiful voices singing a variety of holiday songs.

Live music was performed by the Eagle Lake Chamber Community Choir, JC Cooper, Mount Olive Baptist Youth Choir, Russell Prause, Wesley Chapel United Methodist Men's Choir, Paula Richardson, Kaylie Kallina and Clinton George.

Colorado County has talent! The day was concluded with one of the largest parades Eagle Lake has had. The streets were lined with onlookers while over 50 lighted entries strolled into downtown Eagle Lake.

The music and the lights got cheers and smiles from all. The winning entries were:

Most Original/Unique Entry - Garwood Volunteer Fire Department

Most Spirited - Rice Junior High Cheerleaders
Judges Special Award - Mustang Club of Houston
Annual Chamber President's Award - Parish of the Nativity
2009 Theme Award - Azteca Dancer's
Grand Marshall's Award - Golden Goose Design

Best Musical Entry - Eagle Lake Swim Team
Best Lights - James Zickuhr
Traditional Christmas Award - Joe Mike's Crew & First National Bank - Eagle Lake
After the parade the young and old gathered in the Chamber building to do more shopping in the Christmas Mall, listen to

music and most of all visit with Santa. All youngsters had the opportunity to take a picture with Santa.

The Chamber greatly appreciates all of the judges, participants, supporters, Parade Marshall, Masters of Ceremony and everyone that made this event a day to remember.

Parks Dept. Talks Migrant Songbirds

By Texas Parks and Wildlife

Have you ever sat outside at night during a full moon during the spring or fall and listened to the birds calling overhead. These are likely neo-tropical migrants.

Neo-tropical migrants are birds which breed in North America and spend their winters in Mexico, and Central and South America.

There are more than 200 species of Neo-tropical migrants, including very colorful songbirds, shorebirds, waterfowls and raptors.

Neotropical migrants typically have evolved in the tropics and have learned to take advantage of the abundant food and long days during the short growing seasons of North America over millions of years.

To do this, these mostly very small birds have developed some amazing traits to migrate hundreds of miles, and in the case of the Common Tern 16,000 miles. Wow!

These species can accumulate and store fat over a few short weeks that almost doubles their body weight.

They also have developed a metabolism that allows them to burn off all of this accumulated fat, which is used as fuel.

This allows them to fly non-stop for 2 days if needed in some cases.

Many neo-trops are known to

fly over the Gulf of Mexico and/or long stretches of the Atlantic Ocean during migration between the Americas.

They do this by mostly migrating at night at altitudes of about 2,000 feet with assistance from tail winds.

This provides more favorable flying conditions and helps them avoid predators.

They are able to use the stars for migration and can relocate their breeding and wintering grounds, which might be as small as a few acres with amazing accuracy.

Some of the more common neotropical migrants from your neighborhoods are Purple Martin, Barn Swallow, Turkey Vulture, Orchard Oriole, Ruby-throated

Hummingbird, Wood Thrush, Common Nighthawk, Chimney Swift, Painted Bunting and Scissor-tailed Flycatcher.

With residences in both North and South America, and having to travel between them makes neotropical migrants very vulnerable to habitat changes.

Despite having great ability to fly long distances over inhospitable terrain, they still need high quality habitats with abundant food when they land.

Growing human populations have caused major changes in land use for urban development, industry and agriculture across the Americas.

These major habitat changes are detrimental to many of these birds.

Texas Master Naturalist Training Class Given

Do you have a love of the natural world and wish to help conserve the environment of this wonderful state of Texas for our future and that of our children?

The Gideon Lincecum Chapter of Texas Master Naturalist™, which includes Austin, Colorado, Fayette, Lee and Washington counties, announces its new training class: February 6, 2010 to May - Monday evenings, from 6 to 9 p.m. at a venue to be announced shortly.

One or two field trips form an integral part of training and are held on Saturdays.

The state-wide Texas Master Naturalist™ volunteers are supported by Texas AgriLife Extension Service and the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department in their training and in their subsequent endeavors to restore and conserve native wildlife, habitat and historic natural areas through education, outreach to the community, and through their many local service projects.

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. 12-07-09	55/51	0.06	
Tue. 12-08-09	61/41	0.01	
Wed. 12-09-09	44/31	0.00	
Thu. 12-10-09	48/31	0.00	
Fri. 12-11-09	48/43	1.01	
Sat. 12-12-09	50/46	0.01	
Sun. 12-13-09	54/50	0.07	

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