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Governor Orders Increase In Border Security Measures

Governor Rick Perry on March 16 ordered the activation of what he called a "spillover violence contingency plan" to address recent fatal attacks on American citizens in Mexico.

The plan increases surveillance, intelligence sharing and ground, air and maritime patrols.

U.S. consular officials Lesley Enriquez and Arthur Redelfs, both of El Paso and stationed in Ciudad Juarez, were murdered in that city on March 13.

Perry had penned a letter to U.S. Homeland Security Secretary Janet Napolitano the day before the murders, asking for the federal government to use unmanned

"predator drone" aircraft and 1,000 additional soldiers for missions on Texas-Mexico border.

Perry wrote that 65 percent of the border the U.S. shares with Mexico is in Texas, noting a disparity in federal resources allotted to Texas for border protection.

Napolitano responded that the federal government already maintains sufficient surveillance and interdiction capabilities along the U.S. - Mexico border as a whole.

Since Jan. 2008, a reported 4,700 homicides have been committed across the border from El Paso in Ciudad Juarez, making it one of the most violent cities in the world, the governor's office stated.

Court sentences YFZ Ranch man

A Tom Green County jury in San Angelo on March 19 sentenced Merrill Leroy Jessop of the Yearning for Zion Ranch to 75 years in prison for sexually assaulting a child and of committing bigamy.

Jessop also was ordered to pay a \$10,000 fine.

Jessop, 35, is one of several YFZ ranch residents indicted for sexual assault of a child, bigamy or other charges according to the Texas Attorney General's Office.

The ranch, four miles north-

east of Eldorado in Schleicher County, is owned by the Fundamental Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, a polygamist sect.

In April 2008, state, local and federal agents raided the ranch and removed 440 children.

The state Department of Family and Protective Services released the children from state care following an order by the Texas Supreme Court in late May 2008 and a state district court order issued a few days later.

Study charts Texas during recession

The Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas on March 16 published a detailed study of how Texas fared in 2009 while the national and world economies slumped.

"After outperforming the nation the previous four years, the state experienced steep declines in economic activity last year that nearly matched the U.S. freefall," according to the report.

"Texas lost 338,600 jobs in 2009, and the state's unemployment rate rose to its highest level in 22 years.

The Dallas Fed's Texas Business-Cycle Index, a barometer of the state's economic health, plunged 4.6 percent from Dec. 2008 to Dec. 2009."

But, the report says the states

economy is on a steadier course now, with activity growing in several sectors and improvement likely in 2010 and beyond.

Energy projects to receive grants

Comptroller Susan Combs on March 16 announced 32 renewable energy projects around the state have been selected to receive a first round of federal stimulus grants.

Some \$32 million in the first round of Distributed Renewable Energy Technology Program grants will go to cities, school districts, colleges, universities and other local and state government entities.

Combs said that in addition to generating electricity at those sites, the projects will reduce utility costs, cut emissions and save tax dollars.

Lady Bird's press secretary dies

Mary Elizabeth "Liz" Sutherland Carpenter, 89, of Austin, died March 20 in an Austin hospital.

Liz Carpenter was a Washington correspondent for the Austin American-Statesman from 1942 until 1960, when she joined the staff of then-Vice President Lyndon B. Johnson.

She served as a speechwriter and joined the staff of first lady, Lady Bird Johnson, as press

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secretary.

After the Johnson presidency Carpenter remained close to the Johnson family for the rest of her life.

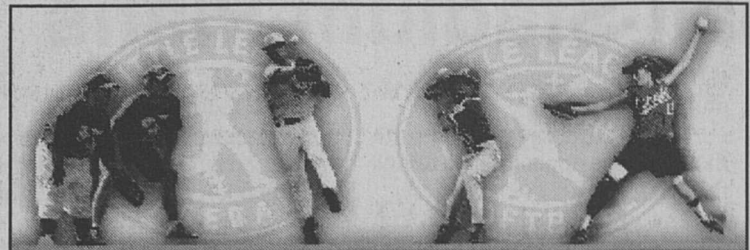
She was an ardent feminist and a political humorist and author.

Texan who played pioneers dies

Actor Fess Parker, 85, died March 18 of natural causes at his home in southern California.

A Fort Worth native who grew up near San Angelo, Parker graduated from The University of Texas at Austin in 1950 and headed for Hollywood.

His best-known Texas-themed work included the title role in the 1955 Disney film "Davy Crockett, King of the Wild Frontier" and as Jim Coates in Disney's "Old Yeller" in 1957.



Eagle Lake Little League Opening Day March 27, 2010

Game Schedule at Eagle Lake Little League Fields:

9 am Pee Wee Girls Angels vs Nada
10:30 am Major Girls Black Widows vs Nada
11 am Tee ball Nationals @ Storm
Noon Opening Ceremonies
12:30 pm Minor Girls Rolling Thunder vs Nada
12:30 pm Tee ball Rivercats @ Rangers
1:30 pm Tee ball Tigers vs Nada
2:00 pm Pee Wee Boys Pirates @ Express
3:30 pm Pee Wee Boys Dodgers vs Nada
5:00 pm Minor Boys Mets vs Nada
6:30 pm Minor Boys Phillies @ D-Backs
Games at Brazos/Wallis Opening Day:
2:30 pm Pee Wee Girls Angels @ Brazos
2:30 pm Major Girls Black Widows @ Brazos
2:30 pm Major Boys Rays @ Brazos

Picture Schedule:

8 am - Angels
8:30 am - Rolling Thunder
9 am Black Widows
9:30 am Nationals
10 am Tigers
10:30 am Rivercats
11 am Rangers
11:30 am Rays
Noon Opening Ceremonies
12:15 pm Team Pictures followed by individuals for: Storm, Pirates, Express, Dodgers, Mets, Phillies and D-Backs

Concession Stand Schedule:

9 am - 10:30 am Black Widows and Nationals
10:30 am - Noon Angels and Rivercats
Noon - 12:30 pm Rays
12:30 pm - 2 pm Pirates and D-Backs
2 pm - 3:30 pm Rolling Thunder and Rangers
3:30 pm - 5 pm Express and Tigers
5pm - 6:30 pm Dodgers and Phillies
6:30 pm - 8 pm Mets and Storm

SILENT AUCTION BIDS OPEN FROM 9 AM TO 7 PM - LOTS OF GREAT ITEMS - ASTROS TICKETS, SIMPLE SIMON'S GIFT CERTIFICATE, COUNTRY FRESH DRY CLEANER GIFT CERTIFICATE, JEWELRY, FISHING ROD/REEL COMBO, BUCKET OF BASEBALLS, DISHWARE SET, DVD PLAYER, AND MANY MORE!!!!

Let's Look Back...

24 & 48 YEARS AGO

April 17, 1986

Miss Bonnie Parker, of Eagle Lake passed away April 9 at the Eagle Lake Community Hospital...

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Wadell of Bernardo are proud to announce the approaching marriage of their daughter, Elizabeth, to Leander Uhlig, son of Mr. and Mrs. Leander Uhlig of Bernardo. The couple will be married May 17 at St. Paul's Lutheran Church...

The senior Raiders were honored with a fellowship and supper at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Farthing on April 9...

Patricio Mendoza, of Eagle Lake, passed away April 9 at the Eagle Lake Community Hospital...

Mr. and Mrs. Steve Garza proudly announced the birth of their son, Manuel Vidal Garza. The new mom is the former Melinda Garcia of Eagle Lake...

Feb Garcia, formerly of Rock Island, passed away April 10 in San Francisco...

Rev. McCarty of Austin, conferred the sacrament of confirmation on 33 members of Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church. Those confirmed were Sandra Leal, Janie Cantu, Belinda Alaniz, Vivian Castillo, Roxanne Cantu, Johnny Rios, Delicia Villareal, Arthur Cordova, Charles Salazar, Jason Duarte, Ramon Cantu, Juan Gonzales, Noe Belmares, Bennie Castillo, Michael Gasca, Steven Garza, Trudie Morales, Veronica Garcia, Jennifer Alvarado, Michelle Sosa, Jessica Hernandez, Anjanette

Semora, Judy Cordova, Natalie Cordova, Johnny Gonzales, Jesse Casanova, Romaldo Cardenas, Hector Tapia, Melinda Torres, Melinda Fernandez, Troy Sosa, Katey McMurrough and Trudy McMurrough...

Guy R. Moore, of Eagle Lake passed away April 11 at Southwest Memorial Hospital in Houston...

Mayor Lanny Powers presented a plaque to outdoing mayor Elmer Struss for his 16 years of service to the City of Eagle Lake...

Also presented a plaque by Mayor Powers was Roy Dean Van Nort for his 10 years of service as councilman...

Cosmetology members attending the state meeting in San Antonio were Lena Chavez, Dalia Garza, Nelda de la Garza, Margaret Leal, Monica Marsalia, Lisa Owers, Shelley Owers, Lydia Rodriguez and Sherry Williams.

April 14, 1960

W.L. Pendergraft, veteran newspaperman passed away April 11 in Houston...

Mrs. George F. Causey and Miss Patricia Lednicki recently began duties in the bookkeeping department of the First National Bank...

Mrs. R.R. Thomas complimented her son Kurt, with a party on the occasion of his 5th birthday April 5th at their home...

Raymond Kubesch, son of Mrs. and Mrs. Fred Kubesch of Garwood was named to compete in the annual Texas high school all-star game to be played in Dallas...

Claire Jean Glaiser and Don-

na Behrens were presented trophies by Supt. Willard Etheridge for faithful work in the support of the Eagle Lake High School Pep Squad...

Miss Sandra Thomas, a freshman at the University of Texas, will attend the Annual Work Camp in Monterrey, Mexico during the Easter holidays...

Seven Eagle Lake High School seniors received their final awards for participation in sports. They were Melvin Wright, Clinton Duyka, Walter Sommer, Johnny Meitzen, Johnny G. Davidson, Robert Adkins and Jim Whitely...

Coach Victor Scott presented jackets to five Eagle Lake High

School seniors who lettered in basketball. They were Margaret Meitzen, Patsy Brasher, Karen Cook, Dolly Stiles and Jo Ann Gause...

Funeral services were held for Joseph Semora, 87, a resident of the Eagle Lake and Chesterville communities...

Mr. and Mrs. John S. Carroll of Eagle Lake announced the marriage of their daughter, K-Lu, to Thomas H. Cowan, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Cowan of El Paso...

A fire leveled the metal and wood dryer and two storage warehouses at the Altair Rice Dryer, Inc. in Altair. The fire was estimated at a loss of \$350,000.

Colorado County Courthouse Report

Marriage Licenses Issued

Jeremiah Vasquez and Tammy Klump, March 12.
Brett Lad Vasek and Cynthia Renee Lednicki, March 15.

Divorce Filed

Shanon Michelle Herman and Darryl Garza, March 19.
Divorce Granted
Michelle Cheri Vega and Luis Resendez Vega, March 22.

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