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Community Activities

Henry Marsh Bell Masonic Lodge meeting

Henry Marsh Bell Masonic Lodge #1371 will meet Monday, April 9 at 7 p.m. at the lodge hall. All Masonic Brothers are welcome to attend.

Retired school personnel to meet

Smith County Retired School Personnel Association will meet on Tuesday, April 10 at 2 p.m. Stephen Parr, KLTW Channel 7 Weatherman will be on hand to discuss the best ways to stay safe during East Texas stormy weather. The group meets at Plyler Instructional Complex, 807 W. Glenwood, Tyler.

Troup American Legion to meet

Troup American Legion will meet Tuesday, April 10 at 7 p.m. at the legion hall.

Great Texas Trash-Off coming

The Great Texas Trash Off is schedule for April 14 with registration beginning at 8:30 a.m. in Whitehouse City Park. Come and help clean the roadways of Whitehouse nearby highways.

Troup VFW to meet

The Troup VFW will meet Thursday, April 12 at 7 p.m. at the Troup Library

Whitehouse Recycle Center hours

The Whitehouse Recycle Center is open every Wednesday 7-10 a.m. and 3:30-5 p.m. as well as the first and third Saturday 8 a.m. to noon. Bring your recyclable paper, newspaper, cardboard, plastic, aluminum cans and tin cans. The Recycle Center is located on Railroad Ave.

Whitehouse library activities

The Whitehouse Library offers these activities: Story time is on Wednesdays at 10:30 a.m. and scrapbooking nights are the third Friday of each month at 6:30 p.m. Come visit the library!

Troup American Legion hosts karaoke

Troup American Legion Post 418 has karaoke every Saturday night from 8 p.m. to 1 a.m.

Church Related Activities

Tender Mercy Trio in Easter concert

Lake Tyler Baptist Church will feature the Tender Mercy Trio in a mini concert during Easter Sunday services beginning at 11 a.m. Nursery facilities and care for preschool children are available. Lake Tyler Baptist Church is located at 13230 CR 285, Tyler.

Spring Fest set for April 28

Prince of Peace Catholic Church is planning its Spring Fest 2007 for April 28. Everyone is invited to come and attend the events, scheduled from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. on Saturday, April 28.

School Related Activities

Troup trustees to meet

Troup ISD trustees meet Monday, April 9 at 6:30 at the Troup ISD Administration Office at 201 N. Carolina.

WHS Prom planning meeting

All junior parents and students are asked to attend this planning meeting for the Whitehouse Junior/Senior Prom. The meeting is in the lecture hall on Thursday, April 12 at 7:30 p.m.

WHS Class of 1997 plans reunion

The Whitehouse High School Class of 1997 is seeking contact information for their upcoming 10 year reunion. Anyone who graduated from WHS in 1997 or those with information on 1997 grads, please send that contact information to whsclassof97@gmail.com.

Government Related Activities

Troup City Council to meet

The regular monthly meeting of the Troup City Council is scheduled for 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, April 10. The meeting will be held at the Troup ISD Administration Office at 201 N. Carolina.

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OBITUARIES

Ken Minser

Services for Ken Minser, 69, of Whitehouse were held April 3 at Lloyd James Funeral Home chapel, Tyler with Dr. Shawn Corzine officiating.

Burial was in Cathedral in the Pines. Mr. Minser died March 30, 2007 in Tyler. He was born Dec. 12, 1937 in Spaulding, Ill. to the late Kenneth and Thelma Greenan Minser. He served in the Navy, was a painter and a Baptist. He lived in Whitehouse since 1979 and was preceded in death by his wife, Beverly Minser in 1987; son, Kenny Minser Jr. in 1982; and sisters, Thelma Pibble and Mary Baptist.

Survivors include son, Keith Minser, Whitehouse; sister, Irene Arnold, Springfield, Ill.; two grandchildren; one great-grandson; nieces, nephews and other relatives.

Pallbearers were Scott Martin, Rob Trimble, Josh Law, Richard Stine, Bob Cox and Stephen Harvey.

If desired, memorials may be made to Hospice of East Texas, 4111 University Blvd., Tyler, 75701.

**Jeremy Alan Kersh**

Services for Jeremy Alan Kersh, 20, of Flint were held March 30 at Calvary Baptist Church with Dr. Fred Smith officiating. Burial followed in the Rose Lawn Cemetery in Tyler under the direction of Stewart Family Funeral Home.

Mr. Kersh passed away Sunday, March 25, 2007 in College Station.

He was born April 30, 1986 in Tyler to Bradley Lynn and Debbie Sue Kersh. He was a member of Calvary Baptist Church and attended Living Hope Baptist Church in College Station. Jeremy graduated in 2004 from Grace Community High School. Jeremy was realizing his dream of attending Texas A&M, where he was currently a junior on the Texas A&M Dean's Honor Roll.

He would have received his Aggie Ring on April 13, 2007 a day he longingly anticipated, and was scheduled to graduate in May 2008.

Mr. Kersh was preceded in death by his grandfather, Donald Eugene Copland and uncle, Doug Copland.

Jeremy is survived by his loving family including his parents, Bradley and Debbie Copland Kersh of Flint; brothers, Joshua Paul Kersh of Tyler and Brandon Lynn Kersh of Tyler; maternal grandparents, Dottie and George Hall of Tyler; paternal grandparents, Lynn and Sue Kersh of Tyler; aunts and uncles, David Copland of Tyler, Dennis and Kim Copland of Garland, Karl and Donna PanKratz of Tyler, Brenda and Lynn Hogan of Tyler, Kim and Scott Kersh of Whitehouse, Karla and Cevin Price of Tyler, Janette and Garrick Hayes of Bullard; and many cousins.

Memorials in honor of Jeremy may be made to Calvary Baptist Church "Building Fund," 6704 Old Jacksonville Highway, Tyler, 75703.

For more information or to express condolences, visit www.stewartfamilyfuneral.com.

**Dwight Graham**

Services for Dwight Graham, formerly of Tyler, were held April 2. Mr. Graham died on March 28, 2007 in Springfield, Mo. He was born in Quinlan on Sept. 28, 1929 the son of Bill and Annie Graham.

He was preceded in death by Frances, his wife of 39 years and the mother of his two children; his father, Bill; and two brothers, Wayne and Doyle.

In 1992, he was fortunate to reconnect with a wonderful lady, Jean, who became his wife and companion in his final 15 years.

He is survived by his mother, Annie Graham; his wife Jean; his son Don and daughter-in-law Jane; his son Joel and daughter-in-law Anne Marie; stepson Chip Wood and wife Shierene; and his grandchildren Kelsey, Ty, Hunter, and stepgrandchild Devan Wood. Survivors also include his sister, Rita Thomas, and youngest brother, Ronnie, along with numerous nephews and nieces.

Pallbearers were Bill Hebb, Rodney Jones, Harry Leatherwood, Joe Cavender, Mike Cavender, and Clay Cavender. If desired in lieu of flowers, donations in Dwight's name may be made to the Rodeo Historical Society, 1700 Northeast 63rd St., Oklahoma City, Okla., or The Texas Rodeo Cowboy Hall of Fame in Belton.

**Jerry E. Glaspie**

Services for Jerry E. Glaspie, 28, of Danbury, relative of East Texas residents, were held April 1 at Boren-Conner Funeral Home chapel, Bullard, with the Rev. Lester Foreman officiating. Burial was in Rucker Cemetery, Troup.

Mr. Glaspie died March 24, 2007 in Houston. He was born July 19, 1978 in Wharton.

He was a graduate of Brazosport Community College and a lifelong resident of Danbury and member of First Baptist Church, Danbury. He was a Dow Chemical Scholarship recipient. He was a lab technician and co-oped with Dow.

He was preceded in death by his father, Henry Glaspie; grandfather, Pete Glaspie; and grandmother, Eula Mae Burns. Survivors include his mother, Patricia Glaspie, Danbury; grandfather, Leonard Burns, Troup; grandmother, Frances Glaspie, Whitehouse; brothers, Michael Glaspie, West Columbia, and Earnie Glaspie, Baytown; aunts, uncles and other relatives. Gene Burns, Earnie Glaspie, Michael Glaspie, Harry Stainback, Aaron Gomez and Dean Stainback served as pallbearers.

Michael Ann White

Private services for Michael Ann White, 67, Hideaway, will be held at a later date.

Mrs. White died March 28, 2007 at a Tyler hospice. She was born Dec. 4, 1939. She taught first grade at Andy Woods Elementary, Tyler, and at Cain Elementary in Whitehouse, and worked at Brookshire's Museum & Country Store. She was co-owner of The Office Shop stores in Tyler and Jacksonville. Survivors include her husband of 47 years, Pat White, Hideaway; sons, Mike White, Austin, and Steve White, Arlington; mother and stepfather, Sara and E.J. Ray, Hideaway; brothers, Rick Dunn and Cliff Dunn; sisters, Marti Smulo and Melinda Huebner; and four grandchildren.

If desired, memorials may be made to Hospice of East Texas, 4111 University Blvd., Tyler, 75701.

Mary White

Services for Mary White, 96, of Troup were held March 30 at the First United Methodist Church, Troup, with the Rev. Mike Cline officiating. Burial was in the Pinecrest Cemetery, Troup under the direction of Cottle Funeral Home, Troup.

Mrs. White died Wednesday, March 28, 2007 in a Troup nursing home. She was born Dec. 9, 1910 in Point to the late Charlie V. Ray and Jimmie Rabb Ray.

She was a graduate of Point High School and Wesley College, Greenville. She received her B.S. in Home Economics from Texas Woman's University, Denton, and her M.A. in Education from Stephen F. Austin University, Nacogdoches.

Mrs. White was a retired Home Economics teacher having taught for two years in Mount Vernon before moving to Troup in 1935 to found its Home Economics Department. She taught in Troup for 33 years.

She married Robert F. White Jr. on Aug. 18, 1937. He preceded her in death on Nov. 4, 1957. She was also preceded in death by a grandson, Ryan White on Oct. 24, 2003.

Survivors include a son and daughter-in-law, Bob and Beth White, Troup; a grandson, Cody White, Troup; a sister, Charlcie Johnson, Point; and several nieces and nephews.

Pallbearers were David Wilson, Billy Slaughter, Joe McElroy, Bill Mowery, John Ashby, Rick Renson and Jim Carlyle. Honorary pallbearers were R.J. and Navoleine Roddy, Nolan and Juanece Smith, Kathleen McElroy, Mike Johnson, Royce Peacock, Gerald Sadler and Freddie Hale.

Memorials, if desired, may be made to the First United Methodist Church Scholarship Fund, 202 East Duval, Troup, 75789; or to the Troup Educational Foundation, P.O. Box 125, Troup, 75789-0125.

Online registration and condolences are available at www.cottlefuneralhome.com.

**Walter Lee Womack**

Services for Walter Lee Womack, 91, of Troup were held March 31 at Cottle Funeral Home chapel, Troup, with the Revs. James Cheatham and Mike Jeter officiating.

Burial was in Union Grove Cemetery near Troup.

Mr. Womack died March 29, 2007 at a Tyler hospice.

He was born Feb. 13, 1916, near Troup to the late Julius and Ada Nunn Womack. He was a lifelong resident of Troup and retired from Sinclair Oil Co. in 1962 and from state of Texas in 1983. He was a member of First Baptist Church, Troup. He was preceded in death by his wife of 68 years, Anita Johnson Womack, on June 29, 2002; daughter-in-law, Eldonna Womack; three grandchildren; nine brothers and sisters.

Survivors include daughters, Diane Eaton, Troup, and Claudine Stoker, Whitehouse; sons, Wendel Womack, Whitehouse, and Dwayne "Buddy" Womack, Troup; 11 grandchildren; 27 great-grandchildren; 12 great-great-grandchildren; nieces and nephews. Grandsons served as pallbearers. Honorary pallbearers were Nolan Smith and Charlie Rhodes.

If desired, memorials may be made to Hospice of East Texas, 4111 University Blvd., Tyler, 75701; or First Baptist Church Building Fund, P.O. Box 561, Troup, 75789-0516.

**Oma Lee Sloan**

Services for Oma Lee Sloan, 76, Emerald Bay, were held April 2 at Burks Walker Tippit Funeral Directors chapel in Tyler with the Rev. Cary Ponder officiating.

Burial was in Meador Cemetery. Mrs. Sloan died March 30, 2007 at her residence.

She was born March 29, 1931 in Commerce to the late T.C. and Violet Byrd. She retired from Wal-Mart in Tyler after nine years service, was a homemaker and a Baptist. She was preceded in death by her husband, Herchel Dale Sloan, and sister, Glenna Lou Gaines.

Survivors include sons, Herchel Lee Sloan Sr., Bullard, and Jimmy Dean Sloan, Tyler; daughters, Debra Sue Davlin, Big Sandy, and Linda Gail Thedford, Flint; brothers, Truman Louis Byrd, Whitehouse, and Vester Jerald Byrd, Tyler; seven grandchildren; and eight great-grandchildren.

Pallbearers were Herchel Lee Sloan Jr., Michael Byrd, Christopher Michael Carter, Jeremy Peek, Brandon Smith and Phillip Hoover.

Honorary pallbearers were Tommy Dale Davlin and David Monroe Irby.

If desired, memorials may be made to Hospice of East Texas, 4111 University Blvd., Tyler, 75701.

Cleveland Woodrow "Woody" Matthews II

A visitation for Cleveland Woodrow "Woody" Matthews II, 59, of Tyler was held April 1 at Lloyd James Funeral Home. Mr. Matthews passed away on March 29, 2007 in Tyler. He was born on Sept. 2, 1947 in Miami, Fla., to the late Cleveland Woodrow Matthews I and Pauline Ketler Matthews. He has lived in Tyler since 1984 and was crew leader for the Smith County Road and Bridge Department, where he had worked for 18 years. He was an avid IDPA member had served as a chief petty officer in the U. S. Navy in Vietnam.

He is survived by his wife, Sherry Matthews of Trenton, Fla.; son, Scott Matthews of Carrollton; brother, Joseph Raymond "Ray" Matthews of Tyler; grandchildren, Devin S. and Brittany L. Matthews of Whitehouse.

First Presbyterian Church

Rev. W. S. "Doug" Blanton, Pastor
Sunday Worship Service 9:00 AM
Children & Youth Sunday School
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