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The Statesman welcomes and encourages letters and e-mails from readers.

Letters must include the name, address and telephone numbers for verification purposes only. Just your name and city will be published.

All letters are subject to editing and must be limited to 400 words or less. No letter can be published without the above information.

Letters must not be false or misleading, the paper reserves the right to check on any information in the letters submitted. If misleading information is printed we will submit a retraction as the information is called to our attention.

It is not the goal of this paper to harm anyone by the letters to the editor, but it is our goal to give those in the community a place to voice their opinion.

Deadline:

The deadline for all news, display advertising and the "What's Happening" in The Statesman is 5 pm Monday.

Attention: The classified ad deadline is Mondays at noon for the same week's paper.

Family News Policy:

Family news such as wedding or engagement announcements must be submitted by 5:00pm Monday for publication on a space available basis in the same week's newspaper. Please include a telephone number to call if questions arise about spelling, etc.

Engagement announcements must be signed by both the prospective bride and groom, or other satisfactory arrangements made by which the newspaper may verify authenticity.

Birth announcements should be signed by both parents.

There is NO CHARGE for timely engagement or wedding announcements and a photo may be included at no cost.

Anniversary announcements with photos are also published free for couples celebrating 20 years or more of marriage, with subsequent free announcements limited to increments of five years.

Free anniversary announcements may not include an invitation to a reception or party where gifts are expected.

Oh happy day, because of space constraints, free birthday announcements are not published. However friends and relatives may purchase advertising space to congratulate a person on their birthday.

Area Obituaries

June Pagitt

Services for June Pagitt, 83, Larue, were held Thursday at Autry Funeral Home chapel, Frankston, with the Rev. Jeff Godwin officiating.

Mrs. Pagitt died November 8, 2008, in Palestine. She was born June 7, 1925, in Troy to the late Joe Rogers and Flora Jane Clements Millender. Mrs. Pagitt was a homemaker and was an active member of the VFW Ladies Auxiliary of Post 5073, Frankston. She was preceded in death by her husband, Charlie W. Pagitt; and son, Bob Williams.

Survivors include her sons, Rick Williams, Escondido, California, David Williams, Grass Valley, California, and Randy Williams, Montalba; daughters, Linda Newland, Chandler, Karen Barnhart, Athens, and Darlene Pagitt Deal, Poynor; stepson, John Robert Pagitt, Eastland; brother, Larry Millender, Murchison; 14 grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Horton Rainey Bunch

Services for Horton R. Bunch, 74, Brownsboro, were held on Saturday, November 15, 2008, at 2:30 p.m. at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception with Monsignor Joe Strickland, and Fr. Luke Kalarickal officiating. Music was offered to the Glory of God and in honor of Horton by the Tyler Chamber Chorale. Family visitation was held immediately following the funeral Mass in the Cathedral Center. A Rosary was said for him at 6 p.m. on Friday evening at St. Boniface Catholic Church in Chandler, Texas.

Mr. Bunch, beloved husband, father and grandfather, "Honey," was taken from us to be with our Lord suddenly on November 10, 2008. Born in Houston, Texas, September 15, 1934. He was the son of John Knox Bunch and Evelyn Anne Horton Bunch.

Horton graduated Lamar High School in Houston, and the University of North Texas in Denton. He served in the United States Army where he enjoyed travel throughout Europe. For 33 years he worked for GMAC in Tyler, serving as Credit Supervisor before his early retirement.

Horton is most known for his gifted tenor solo voice. He is remembered in many roles throughout Texas, including "Fiddler on the Roof," "1776," "Cavalleria Rusticana" and others. In 1976, he was chosen to sing with the All Texas Bicentennial Choir, which performed an original composition at the Kennedy Center in Washington, D.C. He was in high demand as a soloist for weddings, celebrations and memorials. He was most proud of singing with the Tyler Chamber Chorale for 40 years, and his work as a soloist for several churches, First Christian in Athens and Tyler, First Presbyterian in Tyler, the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, and St. Boniface Catholic Church in Chandler. He will be also remembered as a crowd-moving soloist for the Martin Luther King, Jr. celebration.

A highlight of his musical career was his long association with Yesterday's Mail, a Barbershop Quartet. Through the years they won many awards within the Southwestern District of S.P.E.B.S.Q.S.A. Just as the four men made beautiful musical harmony, so too, their close friendship harmonized through music and lively humor. Horton said, "Joe, Gary, and Mark are the best friends I ever had."

Surviving him are those who most love and remember him, his wife of almost 44 years, Sandy; three daughters, Kara and husband Michael Gorham, Lara Bunch, and Mara Gay. Honey is loved by six grandchildren, Jaden, Slater, and Chandler Gorham, Kelsey Hicks, Kendall Elbert and Maranda Gay. Horton is also survived by his brother and sister-in-law, Knox and Sue Bunch of Phoenix, Arizona; two nephews and a niece.

Honorary pallbearers were Yesterday's Mail members: Joe Johnson, Gary Land, and Mark Skaggs; also, Gary Corley, Ed Michael and Carroll Sinclair.

If desired, donations may be made to the Tyler Chamber Chorale, P.O. Box 131954, Tyler, Texas 75713; or to St. Boniface Catholic Church, 318 S. Broad, Chandler, Texas 75758.

Arrangements were under the direction of Lloyd James Funeral Home, Tyler.

Sean Sullivan

Funeral services for Sean Sullivan, 16, Murchison, were held at 10:00 a.m. Friday, November 14, 2008 at Carroll-Lehr Funeral Home in Athens with Rev. Erick Graham, Rev. Matt Hollensworth, Rev. Richard Prather, and Chaplain Bob Fisher officiating.

Interment followed at Shelby Chapel Cemetery. Sean was born November 25, 1991 in Wharton, Texas to Michael and Terrie Sullivan. He passed away November 8, 2008 in Murchison.

Sean was a member of Westside Volunteer Fire Department from November 25, 2005 to July 2008. He then joined the Murchison Volunteer Fire Department in July 2008 and served to present. He spent over a year with the Tyler Law Enforcement Explorer program where he participated in the Tyler Explorers State and National Law Enforcement Exploring Conference in Fort Collins, Colorado. Prior to those achievements he spent a year with the Chandler Police Explorers.

He spent his life serving his community through the volunteer fire department and local law enforcement agencies.

His plan was to join the Marines after high school. He had been training with the Marine Recruiting Center in Tyler.

All of Sean's accomplishments were linked together by his strong relationship with the Lord and was effective to bringing others to Christ.

Sean is survived by his father, Michael Sullivan, Murchison; mother, Terrie Sullivan, Chandler; sisters, Zandra Beth Neal, Whitehouse, Donna Sullivan, Brownsboro; grandparents, Leroy and Mary Sullivan, Conroe, W.R. and Kathleen Neal, Conroe; nephews, Dennis Caldwell II, Whitehouse, Landon Harrod, Brownsboro; niece, Haydee Caldwell, Whitehouse; and numerous uncles, aunts and cousins.

Pallbearers were Lance West, Megan Harville, Bob Morris, Randy Morris, Chris Moore, Paul Rife, Doug Nicholson, and Rusty Quattlebaum.

Honorary pallbearers were the Fire and Police Explorers, Leroy Sullivan, Jr., David Sullivan, Duane Sullivan, Lester Neal, Tommy Neal, David Neal, Keith Neal, Sgt. Leodir Santos, Ricky Harris and Brandon Irby.

Memorials may be made to Citizens State Bank of your choice, or First State Bank of Brownsboro.

Marvin Rozell, Sr.

Memorial services for Marvin T. Rozell, Sr., 74, Chandler, were held Friday at Tyler Memorial Funeral Home chapel with the Rev. Gary Bowman officiating. Burial was in Tyler Memorial Park.

Mr. Rozell died October 9, 2008, in Tyler. He was born July 27, 1935, in Chandler to the late Thurman T. and Cleo Sikes Rozell.

He was a lifelong resident of Chandler, a heavy equipment operator for the city of Tyler, and a Baptist.

Survivors include his wife, Jan Brown Rozell, Chandler; son, Marvin Rozell Jr., Chandler; daughter, Teresa Rozell Sparks, Chandler; five grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

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

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Adair wins Santa Gertrudis class



Courtesy Photo

Brandon Adair won Reserve Grand Champion with his Santa Gertrudis heifer, June Bug

Several members of the Kickapoo Creek 4-H Club participated in the Edgewood FFA Livestock Show in Canton, Texas. In the Polled Hereford classes, Bryce Williams placed 4th, Zachary Williams placed 2nd, and Casey Williams placed 4th. In the Shorthorn classes Zachary Williams placed 2nd. In the Santa Gertrudis classes, Brandon Adair won 1st place and then took Reserver Grand Champion with his heifer June Bug.

15,000th friend



Courtesy Photo

Rheagan Harmon, granddaughter of Kathey Smiley, with Tickle. Tickle is the 15,000th animal to be neutered at Friends' Clinic.

Getting ready for the big show at BHS



Courtesy Photo

The cast of Once Upon a Mattress in costume Brownsboro High School theater students prepare for the upcoming musical, Once Upon a Mattress. The students have been working hard in preparation for the big show, which will happen November 22 and again on November 23. The cost to attend is a single canned food item. The students and Theater Director David Young are excited about the upcoming musical and hope to pack Brownsboro's theater on the night of the performance and the following day.

(Please see the story on page one for more information on Once Upon a Mattress)

Meals on Wheels Menu

Nov. 24-28
(Milk served with meals)
Orange juice served in centers
MON: Chicken tenders, roasted new potatoes, zucchini medley, wheat bread, fruit cocktail
TUES: Meat loaf, rice pilaf, mixed vegetables, wheat bread, banana
WED: Crisпитos, Spanish rice, corn, wheat bread, peach cup
THUR: Holiday
FRI: Holiday

TRIPLE D CANDLES & CRAFTS
SIDEWALK SALE & OPEN HOUSE
NOVEMBER 21-22
MERCHANDISE UP TO 1/2 OFF
DOOR PRIZES - BAKE SALE
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