

Deaths



**Mrs. Ellenburg**

Frankie Nell White Ellenburg, 90, of Hamilton died Dec. 29, 2009, at her residence.

Funeral services are Jan. 2 at 2 p.m. at Hamilton First United Methodist Church. Visitation begins at noon at the church. Burial will follow at Toliver Cemetery.

Mrs. Ellenburg was born April 11, 1919 in Lamkin, the daughter of Rufus Bain and Mary Myrtle Talley White.

She married Roy Ellenburg on March 16, 1940, in Carlton, and he preceded her in death.

Mrs. Ellenburg was a presser for several years at Patty's of Texas. She served as secretary-treasurer for Toliver Cemetery for 30 years and was a presiding judge over the Lamkin voting box for many years.

She was a member of Hamilton First United Methodist Church.

Survivors include two sons, Roy Bain Ellenburg and wife, June, of Lampasas, and Eddie Lynn Ellenburg of Procter; five grandchildren; and 11 great-grandchildren.

In addition to her husband, she was preceded in death by a brother, R.B. White.

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**Mrs. Hood**

Funeral services for Otha L. Hood, 94, of Lampasas are Jan. 2, 2010, at Sneed Funeral Chapel in

Lampasas. Burial will be at Gillum Cemetery near Oakalla.

Mrs. Hood died Dec. 29 at Regal Nursing & Rehab.

She was born Dec. 23, 1915, in Lampasas County, the daughter of Tom B. and Etha B. Kincaid Langford.

She married her first husband, Wilford H. Dixon, and he preceded her in death in 1945.

She later married Jim Hood, and he preceded her in death in 1988.

Mrs. Hood was a member of Oakalla Baptist Church where she played the piano. She also had been a member of First Baptist Church and Second Baptist Church, both in Lampasas.

Survivors include a son, David Dixon of Pampa; a daughter, Sharon Crane of California; a stepson, Bernard Hood of Amarillo; a stepdaughter, Margie Seasholtz of Arkansas; five grandchildren; and numerous great-grandchildren.

In addition to her husbands, she was preceded in death by a son, Dorsey Dixon; a sister, Oleta Bouchelle; a stepson, Lauren Hood; and a stepdaughter, Loma Dittmar.

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**Mrs. Mayon**

Services will be held Jan. 2, 2010, in Cleveland, Texas, for former Lometa resident Jeanna Mayon, 35, of Central Point, Ore.

Mrs. Mayon died Dec. 25, 2009, in Central Point.

She was born May 28, 1974, in Houston.

Mrs. Mayon was a housewife and a Baptist. She had resided in Oregon for two years.

Survivors include three daughters, Brittany Hubbard of Lometa, Amber Mayon of New Caney and Shawna Mayon of Cleveland; a son, Nicholas Mayon of Cleveland; a sister and her husband, Casey and Brandon McLain of State Line, Miss.; a brother, J.J. Mayo of Newberg, Ore.; her mother, Marcia Delarosa and husband, Junior, of New Caney; her father, James Mayo and wife, Betty, of Newberg; grandfather, B.B. Hernandez of Lometa; several aunts, uncles and cousins and two nieces and a nephew.

**WEATHER**

Date	High	Low	Rain
Dec. 28	50	27	
Dec. 29	38	32	.54
Dec. 30	65	37	

2009 rainfall to date: 31.20 inches. Same date last year: 24.86 inches.

Data collected from the archives of weather.com.

Variety of stories highlight first half of year

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a number of burglary cases in Lampasas that dated back to October 2008. Steven Joseph Johnson, 26, was extradited to Lampasas and was charged with several counts of burglary at various local businesses.

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Randall J. Hoyer, a 28-year educator, was named the lone finalist in the Lampasas Independent School District's search for a superintendent. He came to Lampasas from the superintendency at Class 3A Columbus Independent School District.

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LISD officials learned the district would benefit from President Barack Obama's American Recovery and Investment Act's \$100 billion education investment.

The district was slated to receive two grants for Title I programs and special education services in the amount of \$415,959.

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Lampasas-owned businesses Guyco Inc. and RKJ Construction Inc. submitted the lowest bids, and those were accepted by Lampasas County commissioners for the addition to the Lampasas County Office Building. Guyco bid the annex work at \$1.66 million, while RKJ submitted a bid of \$1.69 million.

Commissioners did award the general contracting bid to Guyco Inc.

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Wind damage from a tornado destroyed parts of a home on County Road 3430 just west of the city limits. The family, who saw the funnel

County to change policies

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approve Precinct 3 Commissioner Lowell Ivey as Lampasas County representative on the Central Texas Council of Governments' Executive Committee Board. Precinct 4 Commissioner Jack B. Cox is the alternate.

In another item, Precinct 1 Commissioner Robert Vincent noted that two of his constituents phoned him to say they do not support charging Cedar Creek subdivision residents a fee to raise funds for road repairs in the neighborhood. At a previous Commissioners Court meeting, Vincent asked for property owners to comment about a possible street assessment, as Vincent said the county does not have enough road and bridge funds to apply hot-mix on roads in the subdivision off Farm-to-Market Road 2657.

Blood drive set Monday

The American Red Cross will host a blood drive on Monday from 12:30-6:30 p.m. at AMVETS Post 80. For more information, phone Wanda Meyers, drive coordinator, at 556-3338 or the Red Cross at (800) GIVE-LIFE.

Driver's education slates registration

Classroom instruction for the driver's education program at Lampasas High School begins Jan. 19.

Class is limited to the first 32 paid students. Pick up registration forms at the high school office.

For more information, phone 556-4807 or 556-3991.

coming, moved into a centrally located room to wait out passage of the storm. No one was injured.

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Former Lometa Mayor Troy Duncan died June 16. He served three terms at the city's helm.

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Lampasas Independent School District Board of Trustees began to consider Mark Kehoe -- a former head football coach, athletic director and then assistant principal at Lampasas High School -- as principal of LHS to replace Brandon Stiewig.

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The longest-serving Lampasas County Extension agent, Marilyn May, announced her retirement after 34 years, with 17 of those in Lampasas.



Swift-moving water trapped several men in a pickup truck.

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USDA program to aid farmers

The new Dairy Economic Loss Assistance Payment program provides loss assistance payments to eligible dairy producers to help stabilize their operations during tough economic times.

Milk prices declined substantially through early-to-mid-2009, and on average, the price U.S. dairy producers received for milk marketed in the summer of 2009 was about half of what it cost them to produce milk.

Eligible producers will receive a one-time direct payment based on the amount of milk both produced and commercially marketed by their operation from February through July 2009.

Producers have until Jan. 19 to apply. To be eligible, a dairy producer and the dairy operation in which the producer has a share must have produced milk in the U.S. and marketed milk commercially at any time from February through July 2009; must have milk production data for those months; and must certify to all milk production produced and marketed by the dairy operation during that time.

For more information and eligibility requirements on the DELAP program, visit a local FSA county office or www.fsa.usda.gov.