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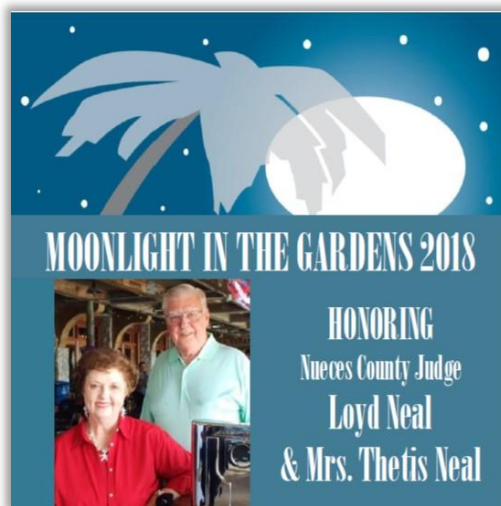
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12th Annual
October 12th
“12th Man!”



The South Texas Botanical Gardens & Nature Center proudly honored **Nueces County Judge Loyd Neal and Thetis Neal**, at it's 12th annual Moonlight in the Gardens, October 12! Samuel L. Neal, Jr., and Thetis Ann King, graduated from Paris High School, Paris, Texas. Loyd graduated from Texas A&M University-College Station, and Thetis from Texas Woman's University (she points out in three years)—both in 1959, marrying that year. Their son, Loyd III, and daughter Ann Margaret Neal Eddy, also graduated from Texas A&M.

A former elementary school teacher, **Thetis continuously has been a great supporter of Loyd's busy life and accomplishments.** Several years ago, she and Ann Margaret began raising and showing Yorkshire terriers, Thetis becoming nationally known, in some competitions showing both the top male and female dogs. She enjoys being the “best grandmother” in the world to seven grandchildren, including a set of triplets. “Mommie T” always can be counted on whenever grandchild help is needed!

Thirty years of Military Service for Loyd began with commissioning, ROTC, Texas A&M University, continuing in active Army and Army Reserve, commanding US Army Reserve Battalion in Corpus Christi, US Army Reserve Support Group in San Marcos, units in Ft. Sam Houston, Chicago, and finally Chief of Staff, 377th Theater Army Area Command, New Orleans; retiring as Colonel in 1989.

His Master's Degree in Business Administration led to an **insurance career** with AETNA; moving to local W.L. Dinn & Company, Inc. as partner, then president. W.L. Dinn merged with Hilb, Rogal & Hobbs (HRH) in 1990, with Loyd becoming President, Chairman, and Executive Vice President of HRH of Texas in 1995.

Numerous academic positions/appointments included Adjunct Professor of Insurance at Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi; Distinguished Alumni for Service to City, State & Country, 12th Man Foundation, and Corps of Cadets Hall of Honor at A&M University-College Station. His public service career in Corpus Christi includes 20 years as Chair of South Texas Military Task Force; Chair of South Texas Homeport Committee; Mayor of Corpus Christi and Texas Municipal League Board of Directors from 1997-2005; and Nueces County Judge, 2007-2018.

Appointed to the Texas Defense Economic Adjustment Advisory Commission, and Texas Strategic Military Planning Commission, by Gov. George Bush; his 2003-2011 appointments to Texas Military Preparedness Commission by Governor Rick Perry; plus numerous other Military, professional and civic honors, awards, and board positions, Judge Loyd Neal many times has been **CORPUS CHRISTI'S “12TH MAN!**