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Benefit Dance

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to go to the benefit of the Shriner's Crippled Childrens Hospital.

St. Patrick's Day will be the theme of the dance, being held at the Eagle Lake Community Center, 24th and Main, on Saturday, March 22nd, in the auditorium. The social will be \$3.00 per couple.

Eagle Lake Knights and the Shriner's invite the support of citizens in the area in this worthy project.

Earl Gene Jones, Grand Knight of the Eagle Lake KC Council, and Joe N. Frazier, Jr., chairman of the Crippled Childrens Hospital fund-raising activities in this area for the Colorado Valley Shrine Club, are making arrangements for the event.

Those who are unable to attend the social and would like to contribute to this worthy project, may forward their contributions to Mr. Jones or to Mr. Frazier.

The hospital provides orthopedic care and corrects the surgery for children up to age 15, regardless of race or religion. The only criteria for admission is that the parents must be unable to pay for treatments, and the children must be in the opinion of the doctors, amenable to treatment. Once they are admitted, no charge is made to any child or his family, either by the hospital or the orthopedic surgeons for the services rendered.

Shriners urge those who might need to avail themselves of the services of this hospital, to contact Mr. Frazier or Joe L. McCreary of this city.

The Shriner's Hospital in Houston is one of thirteen orthopedic hospitals sponsored by the Shriner's of North America. Sixteen are in the United States, two in Canada and one in Mexico City. The one in Houston serves primarily children from Texas and surrounding states, including northern Mexico.

Jury Called In District Court Mon.

A list of petit jurors has been summoned to appear in District Court at Columbus on Monday, March 24th at 10 a.m. Included in the cases set for trial are Carl Evans vs. Parker Brothers and Co., Inc.; Garwood-Planes, Inc. and David Harvey vs. Emily Matwee et al; and later also in the city of Durban. An interest in upgrading his education led him to enroll in the University of South Africa. He was later granted a leave of absence from his work to complete his studies at the University of Zululand where he received his B.A.

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GOP Women New Member Party Tues.

The Republican Women of Colorado County will stage a "New Members' Party" at the Everett-Camp House between Ramsey and Alletton beginning at 7:30 p.m. Tues., March 25th.

Sunrise Easter Services At Sheridan Mar.30

Sunrise services will be held at the Cheatham Cemetery near Sheridan, last year a similar service was held and met with great response in spite of very cold weather, and it was decided to have another early morning worship service on Easter Sunday this year. The Rev. Russell Davis, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Rock Island, will preach the sermon, with Rev. Wade Graves, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Sheridan, acting as Master of Ceremonies.

A special invitation is extended not only to members of the two churches but to all regardless of denomination to attend and worship together on this Easter Morning.

Missionary

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While investigation continues and further arrests are anticipated, two persons have been charged to date in four burglaries in the Loessin Implement Company in Weimar and apparently all four of the burglaries are solved by the arrests.

The implement firm, which was hit for a third time during Saturday night, Mar. 15th and while officers from the county sheriff's office and Texas Ranger Hollis Sullivan were in Houston making an arrest early on Wednesday morning of last week, it was discovered that the firm had been hit for a fourth time some time during that night, Mar. 18th or early on the 19th.

David Shearer, 23, of Houston was arrested by the officers in Houston and a pickup truck stolen in the third burglary was recovered.

In the fourth burglary the burglars were during in that they moved a safe from the office portion of the display room to the garage shed from which they had earlier taken the truck and numerous chain saws. They used the Loessin scythes cutting torch to open the safe and took the contents. No report was available on the amount of money taken. The burglars also trashed an inner office where Loessin's insurance business was carried on.

The fourth burglary was noted by Deputy Sheriff Joey Targac, who was returning to his home in Weimar after being on duty in the sheriff's office during the night.

Great Grandson For Mrs. Walker

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Braden and Susan were in Sinton Sunday to make the acquaintance of their first great nephew, Matthew Blake West, Matthew is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Mike West. He arrived Wednesday, March 5 at 12:24 p.m. Mrs. West is the former Sharon Miller.

The new arrival is the first great grandson of Mrs. Will Walker.

BETTER DUTY FOR THE Easter Parade

AT SPANIEL & SON

FOR MEN	FOR LADIES
Leisure Collection	Short Gowns
Jackets & Slacks	Long Gowns
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Hanes Underwear	Handkerchiefs
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Suits	House Shoes

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New Hospital Facilities Praised At Dedication Open House Sun

\$1.5 Million Project Dedicated "Debt-Free"

Sunday, March 23rd, was another "red letter" day in the lives of the citizens of Eagle Lake and surrounding communities with the dedication of the beautiful new Eagle Lake Community Hospital as a "debt-free" structure of this area.

This was the announcement made by William H. Harrison, master of ceremonies for the dedication of the new \$1.5 million, 35-bed facility, proclaimed as one of the finest and unique facilities in the state.

Over 500 Attend

Mr. Harrison told the gathering of some 500 persons who braved some of the roughest weather to attend the dedication and open house at the new Eagle Lake Community Hospital Sunday afternoon that through the generosity of the citizens of this area and especially through the generosity of Mr. and Mrs. David R. Winterman, the new hospital is being dedicated debt-free. He pointed out that this was made possible through a \$600,000 grant from the federal Hill-Burton program, a \$75,000 grant from the Moody Foundation, and through contributions large and small from citizens in all walks of life in the Eagle Lake community and its surrounding areas.

Mr. Harrison pointed out that the new hospital is a dream come true for over a decade of planning and for many years to come.

Mr. Harrison paid special tribute to the Bruce McCarty and Joe L. McCreary families, in whose gift of nine acres of land got the hospital project off the ground. He also praised the cooperation of the Texas Board of Health officials, Congressman J. J. Olick, Pickle and Senator John Tower for their unwavering support to the Eagle Lake Community Hospital, and to the Commissioners' Court, especially precinct 4 Commissioner Bill Stiles, for their assistance.

Also credited with excellent cooperation and work were the architect, Page, Southerland and Page, and the general contractor, A. G. Construction Co. of Victoria.

Members of the Eagle Lake

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Donnie Mahalitt Seriously Burned In Gasoline Fire

Donnie Mahalitt, a resident of the area south of Mathwa, is in the John Seely Hospital in Galveston with severe burns and lung infection following an explosion and fire at the Mahalitt home shortly after 1:00 p.m. last Sunday.

Mr. Mahalitt was cleaning a filter with gasoline when fumes and the gasoline were ignited from an electrical spark. He was severely burned about the arms and face, but his presence of mind to get the flames out on clothing on his body and used a hand extinguisher to put out the fire.

Mrs. Mahalitt was at the house nearby and rushed him to a Wharton hospital where he was sent almost immediately to the Galveston Hospital.

It was reported Tuesday that a lung which was damaged in the fire was responding some to medication. It is anticipated that he will be in the hospital for a month or so recuperating from the third degree burns and infection.

Friends join in prayers for his recovery to good health. You may drop him a card or letter, by addressing mail to the John Seely Hospital in Galveston.

Mr. Mahalitt is a farmer and rancher. Mrs. Mahalitt is an employee of the First National Bank here.

Columbus Girl Awarded Texas Exes Scholarship

Vera Fortson, a senior at Columbus High School, has been awarded a \$500 annual scholarship by the Texas Exes.

Sarah Frances Mathis of Rice Consolidated High School was named runner-up for the honor.

Vera plans to register in the University of Texas at Austin in the fall of 1975. She is in the top 10 academically in her class and is a leader in extra-curricular activities. She is a two-year member of the National Honor Society, a member of the pep squad. The Exes also announced their new officers for 1975-76, elected at their annual meeting at the Davis Gindler home in Weimar. Lee Briscoe of Eagle Lake is president; Phil Gates of Columbus, vice-president; and Mrs. Raymond Waddell of Eagle Lake, secretary.

Conservationist Christie Going To Big Spring

Richard Christie, district conservationist with the Soil Conservation Service at the Columbus Field Office, has transferred to Big Spring, Big Spring is in Howard County in West Texas.

No replacement for Christie has been announced yet. Adrian Fritsch has been appointed acting district conservationist in the interim.

Helyn's Flower Basket In New Location

Helyn's Flower Basket has made the official move from its location at No. 1 Cat Spring Road into the new location for the occasion the Honorable Earl Ramsey at 201 North McCarty.

William and Helyn Fariss, owners, and their helpers have completely restored the original hotel dining room for their new headquarters and they invite one and all to come by for a visit and inspection of the new show room.

The original moldings throughout the fourteen-foot high ceilings and walls have been refinished in a deep gold color with sunburst yellow plastered walls. Turn of the century chandeliers hang in each end of the room with Victorian carpeting covering the floor.

Later in the year when more of the restoration is completed the Fariss' plan to hold a formal open house at The Fariss 1912.

Rice To Offer Medication Nurse Aid Course

The Rice School District, in cooperation with Prairie View A&M University, will offer a course in Medication Nurse Aide Training at the Eagle Lake Middle School. Classes will meet on Mondays and Wednesdays from 7 to 9 p.m.

The course will prepare adults to meet the state certification standards for employment in occupations requiring administration of medication to patients under supervised conditions. The curriculum will include 54 hours of theory to be taught by a Registered Nurse and 10 hours of supervised practice in an approved institution prior to satisfying standards.

Registration and first class meeting is scheduled for Monday, April 7 at 7 p.m. at the Eagle Lake Middle School. Twelve students are needed to qualify for a class. There is no cost for this instruction.

To insure participation, you may pre-register at the district office, Building in Altair, Texas, between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m., on regular school days. For further information call 234-3331.

Central Air Cond. Units Taken At Home

A home under construction in the area behind the Rice High School, east of Altair was hit by burglars during the latter part of last week, reported the Colorado County Sheriff's office.

Mrs. William Lanyon reported to the office last Thursday that a Westinghouse 410 hand air conditioning unit, a hand operated vice, electric saws, electric drill, extension tools and miscellaneous tools were taken at the home construction site.

Deputies investigating reported lifting some goodprints and these have been sent to Austin for comparison. Officers say they have two suspects, but have made no arrest to date.

Broussard said Tuesday that some of the chain saws and other tools are beginning to be recovered. He said that a tool box with tools, some gloves, rope and three of the chain saws and the pickup had been recovered at mid-afternoon Tuesday.

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School Start Reverts To Reg. Hour April 1

Supt. E. A. Krivacka reminded parents of school children in the Rice Consolidated District that effective with the start of classes on Tuesday, April 1st, the district will revert to the regular starting time of 8:15 and dismissal at 3:15. Since the start of daylight saving time the classes have started at 8:15 a.m. due to the darkness at the early hour that some students must catch school buses.

The Rice district will close at 3:15 p.m. this Wednesday, March 27th to begin the Easter holidays and schools will be closed through Mon., Mar. 31st.

Special Easter Services Slated

Churches in the community will hold special Holy Week and Easter services and the public is invited to attend the church of their choice.

Good Friday, March 27th and 28th, announced the pastor, the Rev. Thomas Hogan.

The children's Easter egg hunt will be at 2:00 p.m. Thursday, March 27.

Regular church services will be held at 8:00 a.m. in the Rock Island Methodist Church and 11:00 a.m. at the Garwood church by Rev. Mr. Hogan on Easter Sunday morning.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

A Maundy Thursday Holy Communion service will be held at 8:00 a.m. on Thursday evening, March 27 at the First Presbyterian Church. Easter Sunday service will be at 10:00 a.m., announced the Rev. Olen Kennel, pastor.

COLLY CHURCH

On Thursday, March 27 at 7:30 p.m., there will be a very (Continued on last page)

Eight Pink Ladies Capped For Long Service

These eight members of the Hospital Auxiliary, the Pink Ladies, were capped for many hours of volunteer service in the organization as part of the program for the dedication of the new Eagle Lake Community Hospital last Sunday. Left to right are Mrs. Geneva Brown, Mrs. Rose Langer, Mrs. Mabel Ward, the president of the Pink Ladies, Mrs. Esther Sunderman who has over 1000 hours of volunteer service and she is being capped by William H. Harrison chairman of the executive committee of the Hospital Board; Mrs. Gladys Schurringer and Mrs. Viola Zborit of Garwood; Mrs. Eleanor McCreary, and Mrs. Hattie Mae Dromgole. All of the ladies except Mrs. Sunderman were recognized for 500 or more hours of volunteer service.

Tour Sat.

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the booming ground are prior to 8:30 a.m. and size, but they all have a scanty plant cover or no cover at all. The females are attracted to the spirited fighting and booming of the males.

The call of the booming male resembles the sound made by blowing across the top of a pop bottle. It usually lasts about five seconds and carries for a mile or more on quiet days. It has a ventricular effect and often seems farther away or closer than it actually is. The sound is weird, deep, and hollow. When not actually booming, the male often gives a bell-like cackling sound.

The appearance of the male, while actually booming, is striking. As a preliminary to uttering the call, he stretches his neck forward parallel to the ground. He erects neck tufts (feathers) point forward and his spread tail is held vertically. His wings are extended downward almost touching the ground.

A short run forward is followed by vigorous stamping with the feet. Inflation of his orange air sacs is synchronized with the stamping, and the first syllable of the booming is given before stamping ends. He holds his head downward until the air sacs deflate. Flights between males are common. Frequently, two males, as if possessed by the same thought, suddenly hop off the ground, wings beating rapidly, and clash in mid-air. These bouts are usually discontinued after three or four flurries and seldom, if ever, end fatally.

During the courtship season, males boom regularly for an hour or so in early morning and late afternoon.

Hospital

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the dedication program at 3 p.m. Sunday.

Ministers designated by the Eagle Lake Ministerial Alliance will assist in the program and will conduct the blessing of the new hospital prior to the ribbon cutting ceremony.

Tentative plans for the program call for the recognition of all persons who have helped in making the hospital possible; recognition of the local doctors and unveiling of a portrait of Dr. J. R. Laughlin who built the community's first hospital; Dr. J. R. Laughlin is now retired and friends contributed funds for the portrait, which will be placed in the new hospital building.

Also on the program will be recognition of the Ladies Auxiliary, the Pink Ladies, and the new Junior Volunteer group, the Candy Strippers. Eight of the Pink Ladies will be capped for having completed 500 or more hours of volunteer service. Included in the list is Mrs. Esther Sunderman who has passed 1,000 hours of volunteer service.

Dr. Moore has written numerous publications for the Medical Journal. He is a member of the American Medical Association, the American Hospital Association, the American College of Physicians, and the Academy of Occupational Medicine.

He has been with the Texas State Department of Health since September of last year.

Following the address by Dr. Moore, a ceremony will be held in which the presentation of the keys to the new hospital by the contractor, the A & A Construction Co. of Victoria, and acceptance of the keys by Mrs. Earl Rodgers, Jr., the chairman of the board.

After the blessing and ribbon cutting the pink ladies will accompany groups on a tour of the new facility and the Candy Strippers will serve refreshments.

Other directors on the hospital board are: Dr. J. R. Laughlin, vice-president; Charles R. Stephens, treasurer; Bob Ashby, treasurer; and Lorell Davis, chairman of the grounds committee.

Directors and the hospital administrator join in extending a most cordial invitation to all and to all the momentous dedication and open house this Sunday. The new hospital is a "dream come true" for the citizens of this community after five years of planning, dedication and hard work.

Absentee Voting Ends Tuesday

Absentee voting in the city of Eagle Lake and Rice Consolidated Independent School District and Colorado County School Board elections to be held on Tuesday, April 1st, will end Tuesday, April 1st.

The City of Eagle Lake election will be held in the Municipal Building with polls open from 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. with three candidates on the ballot for three places. They are incumbents Dennis Miller and Alvin W. Kohnleff and also Dick Chenahau. Absentee ballots may be obtained at the city offices.

The City School District building will be held from 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. in the City office in Eagle Lake and in the Sheridan and Garwood schools. Listed on the ballot for Garwood Postoffice are Anthony V. Kallina, the incumbent, and Sidney Perry; on the ballot for the Eagle Lake Postoffice are John Clippson, Othel L. Pirtle, Jr., and Daris Briscoe. Absentee ballots may be obtained at the Administration office in Altair.

The County School Board election will be held at the same time and places as the Rice School election. There is no opposition on the ballot with Dr. J. C. Laughlin a candidate for re-election. Absentee ballots in the county election may be obtained in the county clerk's office in Columbus.

CANDIDATES TO VOTE

APR. 3

Program Sponsored By Rice CTA At Garwood School

The Rice District's Classroom Teachers Association will sponsor a program and address by the candidates for election in the April 3rd school election at the Garwood School Cafeteria beginning at 8:00 p.m. Thurs, April 3rd.

The public is invited to attend and to hear the candidates for the Eagle Lake and Garwood positions to be filled in the April 3rd election and to submit questions to the candidates.

Monday Last Day To Get License Plates

Special Hours At Tax Office Sat., Mon.

County Tax Office Henry J. Hayskew reminds owners of vehicles requiring a license, that Monday, Mar. 31st, is the final date for the purchase of 1975 license plates. The new plates must be on the vehicles by April 1st. In order to accommodate late purchasers, he lists the following hours for the remainder of the penalty-free period: Mar. 28th from 7 p.m. to 11 p.m.; Mar. 29th from 8 a.m. to 12 noon; Mar. 30th from 8 a.m. to 12 noon; and Mar. 31st from 8 a.m. to 12 noon. He also reminds that April 1st is the final date for 1975 tax period.

CLOSED FRID. AND SAT. Eagle Lake Iron Works will be closed Friday and Saturday, Mar. 28th and 29th for the Easter holidays.