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KC Council Gets Plaque From Shriners' Hospitals



Gene Jones, the past Grand Knight of the Eagle Lake Council of the Knights of Columbus, left, is shown accepting the beautiful plaque presented to the council by the Shriners' Crippled-Childrens Hospital, Houston Unit, for the council's participation in the 1975 fund drive. Making the presentation at right is Joe N. Frazier, Jr., local fund drive chairman and a director of the Colorado Valley Shrine Club. Present for the presentation were Mrs. Jones and Mrs. Frazier, each standing beside her husband. The local KC's plan to make this an annual event. See story on page ten.

1976 County Budget Has Pay Hikes

Hearing Set Thurs., Sept. 25

Colorado County Commissioners' Court has set a public hearing on the 1976 county budget for 10 a.m. Thurs., Sept. 25th.

Included in the proposals for the 1976 budget are pay increases for county officials and employees making more than \$8000 per year.

The new budget lists increases of 15 per cent to County Judge Lester Cranek, Tax Assessor and Collector Henry J. Hajovsky, County Clerk Lester Schneider and Sheriff Doc Mueller raising their pay to \$11,180.

Other proposed pay increases include:

- County Attorney James Whitcomb and District Clerk Harvey Vornasad, 10 per cent increase to \$11,236;
- County Treasurer Martha Bodungen, 5 per cent increase to \$8,400;
- County Commissioners, 15 per cent raises from \$8,781 to \$10,098;
- Extension service personnel, 10 per cent increase;
- Justices of the peace and constables, 5 per cent increase.

Public Hearing On Speed Limits 10 A.M. Monday

Included on the agenda of the Colorado County Commissioners' Court in its meeting at 10 a.m. next Monday, September 8th at the county courtroom in Columbus, will be a hearing on proposals to set speed limits on county roads and streets in unincorporated cities and some subdivisions.

The court proposes to consider setting of speed limits on roads in cities of Glendon, Sheridan, Rock Island, Garwood, and Borden in the Forest Oaks Subdivision in Precinct 1; on a part of road No. 38 known as the Oakland County Road in Precinct 2; Also, on the Zimmercheidt Road and in the Marek, Barton and Kotschub subdivision in Precinct 3; and in communities of Alleyton and Altair in Precinct 4.

Interested persons are invited to attend the hearing.

Grand Jury Returns 53 Indictments In Busy Session

3 Indicted For Murder



Bud Seaholm of Eagle Lake is shown competing in the dangerous bulldogging event at the 1975 College National Finals Rodeo in Montana. Bud was named the new National Student President of the NIRA for 1975-76.

The September term of Grand Jury in 25th Judicial District Court handled a large variety of cases brought to its attention by District Attorney Houston Munson and County Attorney Jim Whitcomb on Tuesday, Sept. 2nd. In session, completed their work at 9:30 p.m., returning a total of 53 indictments.

Included in the indictments were three charges of murder against persons involved in cases worked by the Eagle Lake police department.

Kathryn Thomas Berryman and Alonso Berryman were both indicted for murder of their infant son, Rodney O'Neal Berryman, through starvation. The infant died at a home here on August 1st.

Joe Daniel Lira is also charged with murder in the death of Alfred Juarez of Bay City in an incident between Pat's Cafe and the Midnight Bar on May 3rd. Lira is charged with stabbing Juarez in an argument.

In other cases handled by local officers, David Schuler was indicted on 3 counts of forgery for checks passed to a number of Eagle Lake merchants; Sandra Cotton is charged with assault to do serious bodily harm in the alleged stabbing of Shepherd Taylor on April 9, 1975. Taylor wrecked his car on Foster property on a West McCarty curve while attempting to go to the hospital.

Charles Ray Alexander and A. C. Costa were indicted on charges of forgery of Parker Bros. Co. payroll checks in April of this year.

Boyce Williams was indicted for assault to do serious bodily harm for an alleged attack on Roy Lee Shelton Mar. 13, 1975.

David Young was indicted for the alleged theft of four tires and four wheels from a mobile home owned by Vera Harris June 8, 1975. The indictment was for felony theft.

Eloise Fay Young and Robert Fizer were indicted on charges of carrying a prohibitive weapon on licensed premises (Stevenson's Cafe) on Feb. 23, 1975.

Atliano (Tony) Cordova was indicted on charges of assault to do bodily harm and with carrying a prohibitive weapon on licensed premises; and Julian Almanza with assault to do bodily harm in a shoot-out at Rice Cafe on May 31. James Sherrill was indicted for the burglary of the Rice Drug Store here on Oct. 17, 1974. He also was indicted with possession of marijuana and with other charges of burglary in the Columbus area.

Raiders Host Hempstead For Grid Opener Fri.

Kickoff at 8:00; Raiders Work For "Turn-around" Year.

The Rice High School Raiders football team will ring up the curtain on the 1975 schedule this Friday night at 8:00 p.m. when they host Hempstead at Raider Stadium at Altair. A large crowd is expected for the contest as the Raiders make their debut in hopes of a turn-around season after a disastrous 0-10 year in 1974.

Coach Dee Mackey and his staff report that the attitude and spirit of the team and the entire student body has been amazing and is expected to carry over into the play of the Raiders Friday night.

The Raiders will have considerably more experience this year and have the depth and desire that they lacked in 1974.

Hempstead is expected to field another fine team. They topped the Raiders 12-0 in the opening game in Hempstead last year.

"We need this first win to get the confidence needed to make this a winning ball club and all work has been directed toward this effort," said the coach.

Principal Fred Graham says that there are still a few season tickets available through his office. Admission at the gate will be \$1.50 for all persons, but students will have an opportunity to purchase tickets at the schools Friday for 50c.

Garwood volunteer firemen will handle parking at the stadium and you are urged to heed their directions for best parking areas.

Assisting Coach Mackey with the varsity unit are John Clawson, Jerry Hajovsky and Winn Hollas and Sam Smith who were with the staff last year and Mike Rice who came to the staff this year from Victoria, taking the place of David Cardoso who is now a counsellor at Victoria.

Trainer for the Raider squad is Mark Krivacki and managers are Ricky Kristynik, Terry Teague, and Mike Gertson.

The Rice Raider Band will also make its first appearance of the year and the band promises to have another outstanding year. Director is Floyd Spenrath. Miss Laurel Anderson will be drum major this year, she was a twirler last year; and there will be four new twirlers in the front line, Judy Ashby, Becky Gertson, Patti Mathis and Lisa Mahalic.

Fire Destroys Barn, 13,000 Bales Hay Mon.

A fire destroyed a metal barn and an estimated 13,000 bales of hay Monday afternoon. The fire erupted from an apparent lightning bolt. The El Campo fire department was also called to the scene.

The Garwood firemen were at the scene of the fire from 3 p.m. to 1 a.m. Tuesday. The El Campo unit secured its work at the fire at around 11 p.m., it was reported.

The hay was stored in one half of the large barn which is centered with openings. On the other end, considerable farm equipment was stored but the equipment was removed without damage.

Firemen at the blaze reported that the lightning struck several times later, once hitting some water gates taken out of the barn and the other time hitting a large tree near the barn.

Losses from the burned hay and building were heavy.

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surgery in good condition, but later went into a coma and her condition became critical. She was a slight bit improved late Tuesday evening and friends join in extending prayers for her continued recovery to good health.

Junior Class Bake Sale Sat.

The Rice High School Junior Class will hold bake sales this Saturday, Sept. 6th at 9 a.m. in Garwood, Eagle Lake, Nada and Sheridan. In Garwood the sale will be in front of the F. & W. Food Market; in Eagle Lake in front of the Rice Drug Store, the First National Bank and possibly Wilcox Mini-mart; in Nada in front of Schoellman's Grocery; and in Sheridan in front of Walker's Department Store. Funds from these bake sales will be used for the Jr.-Sr. Prom.

Deputy Resigns, New Night Patrol For Sheriff's Office

Sheriff George (Doc) Mueller announces the resignation of a dispatcher and the employment of a new night patrolman this week.

Pam Mitchell who has been dispatching with the sheriff's office resigned as of Aug. 20th

to accept a position with the Wharton County Sheriff's office for "more salary and better working conditions." She said, "I am grateful to the Sheriff for the experience and skill that I acquired while employed in his office."

Sheriff Mueller announced that Emil Martinez has been hired to serve as the new county-wide night patrolman as of Sept. 1st. Deputy Martinez will live in the Weimar area.

BUD SEAHOLM IS NATIONAL PRES. OF COLLEGE RODEO

Bud Seaholm, son of Mr. and Mrs. Gardner Seaholm of Eagle Lake, has been elected the National Intercollegiate Rodeo Association for 1975-1976. His leadership and abilities were given due recognition by his peers when he was elected National Student President in June, at the College National Finals Rodeo, held at Bismarck, Montana.

For the past two years, Bud has served on the National Executive Board of the N.I.R.A. as Student Director of the Southern Region, which during that time some 72- (Continued on last page)

Concert at First Baptist Sun.

First Baptist Church of Eagle Lake is pleased to provide a concert for the community by professional Christian singers Ron and Patricia Owens of Houston. The Owens team is well known to Eagle Lake since they have presented concerts here in past years. The concert is scheduled for Sunday, September 7, at 7:30 p.m.

Pastor Melburn Sibley extends an invitation to the community to share in a delightful and enriching evening.

Garage Sale Sat.

Alpha Delta Phi members are having a Garage Sale Sat., Sept. 6 at 100 E. Prairie beginning at 9 a.m. Clothes, sheets, towels and miscellaneous items will be offered for sale.

Garden Club To Open Year Next Wed.

The Eagle Lake Garden Club will hold its first meeting of the year at 3 p.m. on Wed., Sept. 10th in the home of Mrs. J. R. Thomas at 622 Melody Lane with Mrs. Eva Marshall as hostess and Mrs.

Loessin Indictments

A total of eight persons received sixteen indictments in a series of burglaries at the Loessin Implement Co. in Weimar. Charged with burglary and or theft were: David Christopher Shearer, Thomas Thompson, Tammy Dawn Hatler, John Nemeth, Larry F. Taschery, Arnold Trammell and Jeff Ray and Calvin J. Myers, the latter of the Smith Protective Agency; and the jurors also returned an indictment against the company.

THE OUTRIDERS

Making their appearance for the first time ever will be a new pep organization for the Rice High School called, the "Outriders." Eleven young ladies will be participating in this organization and you'll be able to note them by their silver vests with blue lettering on the back.

The Outriders, the Raider



The 1975 Rice High School Raiders varsity football team will open its 1975 schedule Friday night at 8 p.m. in Raider Stadium when they host the Hempstead team in a non-district tussle. Seeing action Friday night will be the following Raiders: seated, left to right: Fred Jones, Charles Powell, Kenneth Witte, Osbor Cunningham, Donald Perry, Frankie Rodriguez, Tommy Garza, and Charles Cotton; kneeling, left to right, Kenneth Wicks, Sammy Flowers, Daryl Beheler, Greg Clark, Darrell Gertson, Carl Jones, Dwight Rhodes, and Bobby Turner; standing, left to right: James Frazer, James Parker, Darrell Dancy, Ronald Glover, Kenneth Dawson, Tony Black, Mario Yanes and Herman Powell.

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Another local case, Mary Burris was indicted for assault with intent to do bodily harm in a recent shooting near Rice Industries dryer.

A complete list of the indictments will be published in the next issue of this paper.

Leonard Stech of Weimar was named foreman of the jury and other members included: Herman Major Bengs, Mrs. Helen Hobbs Farris, Mrs. Mary Saucedo and Willie L. Jackson Sr., of Eagle Lake; Brad Engstrom of Garwood; Martin Williams and Mrs. Lottie C. Davis of Columbus; Mrs. Martha Polach of Sheridan; Jack Axel of Altair; Milroy E. Christen of Weimar and Roy Menke of Columbus.

Ennice Phillips and Mrs. Geraldine Cason as co-hostesses.

The event will be in the form of a tea honoring the president Mrs. Henry Rutledge.

Members and those desiring to become members are invited to attend the event.