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1976 Homecoming Queen Nominees



MONICA HOFFMAN

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DARLENE SEWELL

JULIA THOMAS

Raiders Host Santa Fe In Homecoming Friday Night

Rice High School will hold its seventh annual Homecoming activities this Friday, Nov. 5th when the Rice Raiders tangle with the Santa Fe Indians in the final home District 14AAA game of the 1976 football season. Kickoff time for the contest is 7:30 p.m.

Coach Dee Mackey's Raiders will be seeking their first win of the season and bring a 0-7 district record into the game.

Santa Fe has a 2-5 district record with wins over Edna and Friendswood.

Five pretty Rice High School seniors were elected by the student body as candidates for the honor of being the 1976 homecoming queen. The students will vote this week to determine the winner of the coveted honor and the winner will be announced at the half-time show of the Rice-Santa Fe game. The Rice Raider band will join in presenting the halftime homecoming festivities which are being planned by the RHS student council.

Candidates for homecoming queen include: Monica Hoffman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Leo Hoffman of Garwood; Brenda Kallina, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Kallina of Garwood; Darlene Sewell, daughter of the James Sewells of Garwood; Mary Hill, daughter of the James Hills of Eagle Lake; and Julia Thomas, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Raymond R. Thomas of Eagle Lake.

A homecoming dance will be sponsored for the students and guests in the Rice Commons following the game. Only those who registered in advance will be eligible to attend the homecoming dance.

Council, James Discuss City Police Work

Eagle Lake City Council in its session on Tuesday night of last week spent some time discussing law enforcement with Rev. Joe James, took steps for implementation of a federal grant for sewer extensions in this community, and approved a contract with B. J. Williams, owner of Rice Aero, Inc., for service to airplanes at the local airport during the hunting season.

James brought a long list of questions relating to several incidents involving police action in this community. They ranged from the method of handling bond monies paid to the department for release during the absence of the corporation judge to handling of probation cases.

He was informed that the city has no authority in probation cases; and Chief of Police Bufford Ashley was on hand to answer questions relative to the handling of bond monies.

James had hired a private investigator to do some investigating for him and he

Frazar, Mayor Lead Discussions With CPL On Rate Hike

Mayor Elmer Struss and interested citizen Joe N. Frazar carried the brunt of questions aired with representatives of Central Power and Light Company at the council meeting on Tuesday night of last week.

Frazar, who recently wrote a letter to the council requesting that the council seek to bring CPL's rates on a competitive level with other utilities operating in the area and if this is not possible to seek another source of power supply for this community, told the council members and the four CPL representatives at the meeting that he was not against CPL per se but was against paying exorbitant rates.

He told the gathering that he had made a private investigation and that Standard and Poors, one of the nation's top financial consultants, listed the national average paid for a kilowatt of electricity at 3.21. He added that Houston Lighting and Power charges 2.67; Texas Utilities 2.57; and CPL 4.395 per kilowatt, but wants to increase that rate to 4.902.

Frazar noted that the company is misleading in its statements that the increase asked is only 11.5 percent when actually it is 19.8 percent of the base rate. He said "HL&P recently asked for an increase of 7.75% and that the firm's rate is nearly 50 percent less and the proposed increase by Houston Lighting and Power is 40 percent less than CPL is asking."

"I think the council would be remiss in its obligations to the citizens of Eagle Lake, if they did not seek to find another source of supply or at least make CPL be competitive in the prices it charges," said Frazar.

He further urged the CPL representatives to develop a system of printing on the monthly bill, the rate which they are paying that month, in order that the individual customer can check each bill for accuracy.

Frazar added further that it is his understanding that the city has the option of purchasing CPL's facilities here and urged that the council give serious consideration to issuing revenue bonds to exercise the option if CPL does not become competitive in its rates. "We can't do any worse, that's for sure," he added.

CPL Reps Respond
Mayor Struss read Mr. Frazar's recent letter to the council and asked the CPL representatives for any response to some of the issues raised.

Tom Curlee, coordinator of Regulatory Affairs for the company, did most of the speaking for CPL, but Clayton Kirk, Rice Belt and Guadalupe district manager, Milam Gerich, commercial sales manager in the Rice Belt district, and local manager Frank Sherrer also joined in responding to some of the questions.

Curlee noted that the

Local Citizens' Advisory Comm. To Meet Thurs.

There will be a special meeting Thursday, November 4, 1976, at 5:30 o'clock p.m. in the Council Room of the Municipal Building of the Citizens' Advisory Committee named by the City Council to help determine the major needs of Eagle Lake for 1977. Those needs will then be referred to the City Council at its next regular meeting, Tuesday, November 9, 1976, at 7:30 o'clock p.m. in the Council Room of the Municipal Building, so the projects may be incorporated into the application for Community Development Funds under the Federal program of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1974. City Manager T. J. Smith was named Acting Director of Community Development by resolution at the City Council meeting of October 26, 1976.

The objective of the program is the "development of viable urban communities". This objective is to be reached by "providing decent housing and a suitable living environment, and expanding economic opportunities, principally for persons of low and moderate income". The Act enumerates seven specific objectives in support of this goal:

1. Elimination and prevention of slums and blight;
2. Elimination of unhealthy

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Boosters To Sponsor Pep Rally Thurs. Nite

The Rice Raiders Booster Club will sponsor a big Homecoming Pep Rally in Eagle Lake beginning at 7:00 p.m. this Thursday and all citizens of the area are invited out to honor the Raider gridders and to show their support for the Homecoming game with Santa Fe in Raider stadium this Friday.

The pep rally will be held on the street behind the Post Office.

The cheerleaders will be on hand to lead in yells and the Raider band will also be present to add "spirit" to the occasion.

"You can show your support for the Raiders by attending this pep rally," said Wayne Beheler, president of the Boosters Club.

One More Registrant Needed

At least one more enrollee is needed in the two Adult Continuing Education Classes to be offered in the Rice Consolidated School District - Conversational Spanish and Clerical Business.

Registration for the two courses was held Monday of this week and each course was one short of the quota needed to conduct the course.

The registration remains open and persons who would like to take either of the courses may contact C. W. DeShazo at the Rice Administration Building or report to the Rice Commons area from 6:30 to 7:00 next Monday when final registration will be completed and classes will begin.

Frank Kasmierskys To Observe 60th Wedding Anniversary Sunday



The children of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Kasmiersky, Sr. would like you to share in the joy of their parents' Sixtieth Wedding Anniversary on Sunday, November 7, 1976. Holy Mass will be celebrated at one o'clock in the afternoon in the St. Mary's Catholic Church, Nada, Texas. The reception will be held from 2 till 4 p.m. in the Nada KJFF Hall. No gifts, please.

Local Man Hit By Car; Seriously Hurt

A 56 year old Eagle Lake man received serious injuries when he was struck by an automobile as he attempted to cross East Main Street at 9:55 p.m. last Wednesday night, Oct. 27th.

City Patrolman Mark Schneider was the investigating officer. He said that the man, Thomas Juarez, was hit by a 1967 Ford being driven west on East Main by Herbert M. Ramirez as he attempted to cross the highway from the vicinity of Austin Grocery toward the Texas Fried Chicken business. He stepped into the path of the Ramirez car in the outer westbound lane.

Juarez was rushed to the Eagle Lake Community Hospital for treatment of severe cuts and bruises and a possible broken leg. He was later transferred to the John Sealy Hospital in Galveston where he reportedly was recuperating from the severe injuries received in the impact.

Body Of Jiggs Graves Is Buried Thurs.

Identified As Body Found

In Fire Oct. 22

A badly burned body found in the charred ruins of the Raymond (Jiggs) Graves home following a fire on Friday of last week, has been identified as that of Mr. Graves and his body was buried in private family rites held at the Lakeside Cemetery last Thursday, Oct. 28th.

Justice of the Peace M. M. Jones, who conducted the inquest, said that sufficient evidence was found by checking medical records at the Veterans Administration Hospital in Houston and through evidence revealed by relatives and friends to determine that the body was that of Mr. Graves.

Although it has been determined that the body was that of Mr. Graves, further evidence to substantiate the finding is expected when medical and dental records are received from the U. S. Air Force in which he served during World War II. Mr. Jones said that an autopsy performed by the Harris County Medical office indicated that death was from inhalation of smoke and carbon monoxide and no foul play was indicated.

The Rev. J. Melburn Sibley, pastor of First Baptist Church, presided at the private burial services in Lakeside Cemetery last Thursday. Mill-Bauer Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Lester Raymond Graves was born October 2, 1922 in Lissie the son of Mr. and Mrs. Lester R. Graves. He attended the Eagle Lake public schools and was a resident of this community for all of his life with the exception of his years in military service.

Carter Wins In Heavy County, State, Nation Voting

THE WINNING TICKET



JIMMY CARTER
Next President

WALTER F. MONDALE
Vice-Pres.-Elect

County Voting By Precincts

Prec.	Carter-Mondale	Ford-Dole	Bentsen-Steakman	US Senator	US Rep. (10th)	Co. Atty.
Columbus	243	357	322	252	394	180
Glidden	106	119	152	54	163	46
Altair	51	12	49	8		
Garwood	237	145	246	129		
Nada	146	30	148	21		
Rock Island	54	62	70	42		
Sheridan	64	69	77	48		
Oakland	63	69	91	31	86	34
Welman	712	505	852	326	953	232
Buescher	56	108	75	77	101	54
Shaw Bend	32	33	37	23	45	14
Brushy	32	29	39	21	47	13
Freelance	99	158	126	91	159	65
Mentis	30	52	66	31	72	26
Bernardo	62	48	65	43	83	20
Alleyton	40	38	42	35	55	21
Eagle Lake	583	392	688	439	827	303
N. Columbus	282	375	340	284	421	207
Absentee	107	197	143	145	175	79
TOTAL	3028	2991	3630	2107	3628	1062

EL VOTERS FAVOR FORD BY 9 VOTES

A total of 1215 voters went to the polls in Eagle Lake in the 1976 General Election and gave incumbent President Gerald Ford and his running mate, Robert Dole, Republican, a scant 9 vote margin. Over seventy percent of the total qualified voters went to the polls here in heavy voting throughout the day Tuesday.

The Ford-Dole ticket drew a total of 592 votes here compared to 583 for the Democratic challenger Jimmy Carter and his running mate Walter Mondale.

In other contested races on which the local voters cast their ballots, incumbent Democratic United States Senator Lloyd Bentsen drew 688 votes and his Republican challenger Alan Steelman 439. U. S. Congressman J. J. (Jake) Pickle, incumbent Democrat received 827 votes here compared to 803 for Republican Paul McClell. In the contest for the position of Railroad Commissioner, Democrat Jon Newton received 728 votes, Republican Walter Wendland 329. In the race for Associate Justice, Texas Supreme Court, Democrat Don Yarbrough received 591 votes but write-in candidates Sam Houston and Tom Lorange had 193 and 98 respectively.

Eagle Lake Attorney Donald Bendy received an overwhelming 951 to 71 margin over Independent

for all of his life with the exception of his years in military service.

Surviving are his mother, Mrs. Roy Graves of Palacios; three sisters, Mrs. Clara Hough of East Bernard, Mrs. Vera Dorsey of Houston, and Mrs. Mary Tedder of Palacios; and other relatives and friends.

Sympathy is extended to the family in the loss of this loved one in such a tragic accident.

Bendy Wins As County Attorney

Voters in the county, state and nation went to the polls in heavy balloting Tuesday to name a new President and Vice-President of the United States, although the final outcome of the contest remained nip and tuck until many hours after the polls closed and at press time the voting was so close in three states that they still had not been committed to either slate of candidates. Nevertheless Democratic nominee former Georgia Governor James E. (Jimmy) Carter and his running mate, Walter F. Mondale for Vice-President went over the 270 electoral votes needed to win the two top political seats in this nation.

Texas voters gave their 26 electoral votes to the Democratic slate in some close balloting; and Colorado County voters favored the Democratic team by a scant margin of 37 votes; while Eagle Lake voters gave the Republican nominees, incumbent President Gerald R. Ford and his running mate, Robert J. Dole for vice-president, the most votes by a scant nine-vote margin 592-583 (see another story).

In Colorado County the Democratic team of Carter and Mondale drew 3025 votes as compared to 2991 for the Republican slate of Ford-Dole.

One Amendment Passes
Early Wednesday results indicated that Texans had approved one of two state constitutional amendments. No. one on the ballot calling for issuance of \$400 million in

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Candidate Edward Woolery Price, Columbus attorney, in a race for County Attorney.

In the balloting on the two constitutional amendments, Eagle Lake voters cast 286 votes for and 514 against Amendment one which called for the authorization of an additional \$400,000,000 in bonds for water development and also turned thumbs down on the second amendment, seeking to authorize \$100 million for water quality work by a vote of 371 to 438.

GET FREE SWINE FLU SHOTS AT LOCAL CLINICS

No Mass Inoculation Planned Here

Local physicians met here Tuesday and decided to offer the Swine Flu vaccinations free through the two local clinics rather than plan a mass inoculation program. It was noted that many of the local citizens have already received the free vaccination

through the Laughlin Clinic Associates and the Thomas Clinic and the doctors felt that the remainder of those desiring to receive the swine flu vaccine can be adequately handled at the two clinics.

If you have not received the free swine flu inoculation, and wish to participate go to either of the clinics and you may receive your vaccination without charge.

CROP Benefit Walk Sunday

A number of Eagle Lake area young people will participate in a walk for the hungry of the world this Sunday, November 7th. The purpose of the walk is to express concern for the world hunger needs and to raise funds to help meet those needs.

Each participant will have sponsors who agree to pay an amount of their choice for each mile walked. The walkers will be checked each mile for verification. Money given is for CROP, the Community Hunger Appeal

of Church World Service. This project has been sponsored for a number of years by the Eagle Lake Ministerial Alliance.

Walkers are to meet at the Eagle Lake Middle School football field at 2:00 p.m. Sunday. Dairy Queen will furnish a drink to each walker.

Need Sponsors
Boy Scouts of Troop 334 would like sponsors for the CROP Walk Sunday, Nov. 7th. If you would like to sponsor a scout, contact Verlin Argo at 234-3681 or Indior Ramirez, 234-2020.