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Trail Ride

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honor of being named trail ride queen must ride in the trail ride and may register at the emergency vehicle prior to beginning the ride.

The trail boss and assistant trail boss urge all citizens to observe all safety precautions and especially not to ride slowly on the highway and visit with the riders along the trail route.

The ride will head east from Sandy Creek Grocery on Highway 90A and will take the gravelled road just west of the Island into the southern part of Rock Island where restroom facilities will be available and you may visit with the riders. From Rock Island the route will resume on 90A to the Rice High School. "We urge that you do not hinder traffic or cause an unsafe condition in any way by attempting to visit with the riders along the route," said the trail bosses.

FFA Sale

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School from 8:00 to 11:30 a.m. The 31 calves and 46 hogs entered in the show will be judged from 8:30 to 10:30 a.m. and the sale will begin at 1:30 p.m.

A barbecue dinner will be held at the noon hour, catered by Mike's of Columbus, under the sponsorship of the three Lions Clubs in the County who annually sponsor the show and sale. The Sheridan Lions Club, Garwood Lions Club and Eagle Lake Lions Club.

A trail ride sweetheart contest will be held at 12:00 noon and a Calf Showmanship contest at 1:00 p.m.

Winners in these events will be announced prior to the start of the sale at 1:30 p.m.

Citizens from throughout the area are invited to make plans to attend the various functions of the 1979 show and sale coming up Sat., Feb. 17th.

Rosenberg Man Injured In Wreck Tues. Nite

A Rosenberg man, Andrew Hernandez, was taken to Eagle Lake Community Hospital Tuesday night with cuts about the face and head after the car in which he and another man were riding slammed into a highway sign and into a ditch embankment at the intersection of FM 1093 and FM 3013.

City patrolman Richard LaCourse investigated the accident which occurred at around 7:15 p.m. The Eagle Lake Ambulance Corps took Hernandez to the hospital after administering first aid at the scene. Eagle Lake firemen were called to stand by because of possible fire in the badly wrecked car.

The vehicle was traveling west on 1093 and the driver failed to stop at the 3013 intersection, crossed the highway and hit the highway sign and slammed into the maddy ditch bank on the west side of 3013, said the investigating officer.

Young Homemakers Prepare Children's Packets



Rice Young Homemakers of Texas members Claudette Powers and Terry Tacquard are shown presenting packets to members of the Pink Ladies; Terry Tacquard; Rose Lange; Annie Margaret White; and Claudette Powers.

Martha Dorcas S-S. Class Meets

The Martha Dorcas Sunday School Class of First Baptist Church met Monday evening, Feb. 5th, in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Bauer with Mrs. Willie York serving as co-hostess.

The evening, has its beginning with the fellowship hour when delicious refreshments were enjoyed while visiting around the much appreciated warmth of the fireplace.

Mrs. York opened the business with prayer remembering persons with particular needs. A great deal of interest was given to current activities in which the church was involved during the past weekend. Past and future projects of the class were given much thought and consideration.

Mrs. Boothe led the class in teaching from the subject "Jacob Becomes Israel" where Jacob's experience with God at

Peniel changed his name

and prepared him to meet Esau. Application was made to present day living. -Reporter.

Suit Asks Judgment For Unpaid Notes

A suit was filed in District Court in Columbus Feb. 2 by William W. Brunner of this county against B. N. Stevens of Lee County, Ark. asking for damages resulting from alleged improper performance of a contract to survey and lay out lines for construction of levees for growing rice.

Brunner alleges that the survey made by the defendant resulted in loss of rice production, replanting of some rice, increased labor and material costs and other costs and damages and asks the court for judgment for damages suffered by the plaintiff

Free Car Wash

Jane Clippson this is your ticket for a free car wash at Johnny's Kwik Kar Wash located next to Johnny's 66 Station in Eagle Lake. Clip this out and present at Johnny's for a free car wash effective through Feb. 13, 1979.

The chapter's next meeting will be Thurs., Mar. 15th at 7:30 p.m. at the high school. All who are interested are invited to attend.

Rice Young Homemakers Make Packets for Children

The Rice Consolidated Chapter of Young Homemakers of Texas held their monthly meeting Thursday, February 1st at the Rice High School Home Economics Department. Members discussed future plans for a charity volleyball game against the Future Homemakers of Texas benefiting the March of Dimes.

Mrs. Vera Brown, Reading Coordinator for the Rice school system, was the guest speaker. A very inspiring and informative program was presented concerning the testing procedures in the school system. Mrs. Brown encouraged each member to motivate their children to learn to read and excel through administering love and discipline at home. Every one in attendance thoroughly enjoyed her presentation.

For a community service project, chapter members made packets to give to children who will be hospitalized at Eagle Lake Community Hospital throughout 1979. The packets, containing coloring books, colors, and games, were given to the Pink Ladies for distribution.

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County To Go Certificate Route For Courthouse Work

Stiles Contends Citizens Should Vote

Colorado County Commissioners' Court, in session Monday, voted four to one to proceed with plans for financing an extensive courthouse restoration program through certificates of obligation rather than through a bond issue.

County Judge Lester Cranek told the members of the court that it was time for the county to decide which way it planned to finance the restoration program, estimated now to cost around \$750,000. He said the options available were to issue certificates of obligation, which would not require prior vote of the residents of the county; or through a bond election which would require affirmative vote of the county citizens.

The judge added that he has been in contact with all five banks in the county and all expressed interest in bidding on the certificates of obligation and had indicated that the interest rate would be about the same (estimated at around 5 1/2%) if the certificates would be tax exempt bonds.

He noted that Wharton County recently issued certificates and legal authorities have expressed the opinion that interest from the certificates would be tax exempt, an opinion shared by county auditor M. L. Briscoe.

Bids To Be Taken Judge Cranek added that all five banks expressed the opinion that the certificates should be put out on bids in order that the county take advantage of the best offer, even though it was realized that a bank outside the county might be interested enough to be a low bidder.

In the action which was approved Monday, (Continued on last page)

Raiders Meet Willis In Bi-District

secretary Steve Balas in Eagle Lake or application forms may be obtained at the Rice High School in Altair. The deadline for filing for a position on the ballot is Wednesday, March 7th.

3 Trustees To Be Elected In Rice Dist.

Appelt, Smith and Brisco To Seek Re-Election Apr. 7

The Rice School Board, in session Monday night, called an election to be held Saturday, April 7th for the election of three members to the board of education. Terms of Bill Appelt, Eagle Lake Position No. 1; Alton Smith, Garwood Position No. 2; and Lavo Brisco, Sheridan Position 3, will expire on that date.

All three incumbents announced following the meeting Monday that they will seek re-election. Appelt and Smith are completing their first three year terms; Brisco is completing his tenth year on the board.

Persons who may wish to apply for a place on the April 7th ballot must file with the board

of the day; the Eagle Lake Lions in the trail ride; Sheridan Lions in the BBQ dinner; and Garwood Lions in the sale.

Beta Sigma Phi Sweethearts Named



Beta Sigma Phi sweethearts, XI Phi Psi and Alpha Delta Phi, named 1979 Valentine Sweethearts at the eleventh annual Western Dance held in the Eagle Lake Community Center last Saturday night. Mrs. Butch (Mary Lou) Szymanski, left, 1978 XI Phi Psi sweetheart, presented a bouquet of yellow roses to the 1979 sweetheart, Mrs. Wayne (Brenda) Curman, second from left, and Mrs. Ted (Linda) Wieser, right, 1979 Alpha Delta Phi sweetheart, presented a bouquet of roses to the 1979 sweetheart, Mrs. Jimmy (Luan) Wieser, second from right. See story on page 11.

2nd Rabid Skunk In City

Eagle Lake has recorded its second rabies case in two weeks. The second case was recorded after a skunk was sent to the Health Laboratory last Wednesday.

The skunk was killed at the corner of Clark and Center streets, just two blocks from the earlier rabies case. It is believed to have been a litter-mate to the first skunk submitted.

Citizens are urged to be alert to any animal that may have symptoms of rabies which include viciousness, roaming, unusual noises, and a tendency to attack anything attracting the animal's attention. Such animals may snap at anything, including themselves. They tend to "drool", and their saliva may be mixed with blood. They may swallow objects such as stones and sticks. These symptoms progress to paralysis and eventual death.

Forty-one animals have been impounded this (Continued on last page)

5 Principals In Rice Dist. Re-elected

The board of education of the Rice School District met Monday night and in accordance with board policy approved contracts for seven school administrators. In March the board will take up the matter of contracts for the teachers.

The board went into executive or closed session for a discussion of the contracts for the administrators and at the conclusion of the session, reconvened in open session and approved new contracts for the administrators as follows:

Assistant Superintendent Charles W. DeShazo, contract extended through June 30, 1982; business manager Roy Marshall plans to retire in Feb. of next year and his contract continues through that period at a pay scale same as for the assistant superintendent.

Principals whose contracts were extended to June 30, 1981 were: Rice High School principal Fred Grahmann; Eagle Lake Middle School principal James Crabb; Eagle Lake Primary School principal H. M. Bengue; Garwood Elementary School principal John M. Mader; and Sheridan Elementary School principal William C. Gohlke.

New Teacher Hired The board also accepted the resignation of Janice Boone who had been serving as art instructor at Eagle Lake Middle School, effective at mid-term. The board hired Maria Theresa Baltov, 22 and single and a B.S. degree in all levels of art, from Southwest Texas State University, to replace Boone.

Colorado County will receive the high interest rate of 14.11% on funds which the county places on certificates of deposit (\$100,000 or over) with the new county depository, the First State Bank of Columbus for the years of 1979 and 1980.

Commissio... Court opened bids for serving as county depository for the next two years, effective this month, and received two bids, one from the county depository for the past two years, the Columbus State Bank, for 12.27% interest on CD's of \$100,000 or over; and the First State Bank of Columbus State Bank has

City Calls \$300,000 Bond Election March 3

Funds Designated For New Water Well Pumping System

Eagle Lake City Council, in regular session Tuesday night, voted unanimously to call a \$300,000 bond election for the purpose of improving the city's waterworks system with a new water well and pumping system.

The council took the action at this time in hopes of getting the bond issue approved so that work on the city well might be started and completed before the end of summer. It was noted that to delay the election until the regular city election on April 7th it would be after the busy summer season before the well could be completed and placed on the waterworks system.

Plans are to drill the new well and pumping system on property which the city recently purchased from Gene Payne on Davitt Street.

Revenue Bonds The election order calls for the issuance of the \$300,000 in revenue bonds to be paid strictly from the net revenues from the operation of the waterworks and sanitary sewer system, and not from tax funds.

City manager T. J. Smith commented that the city has not held a bond election for the waterworks system since 1964 and much of the indebtedness of this issue has been paid off. The city also is currently free of any general bonded indebtedness which requires tax funds for the interest and sinking fund.

Voting in the March 3rd election will be held in the council room of the Municipal Building. Absentee voting in the election will begin next week and will continue through Feb. 28th. A full copy of the election order may be found on page three of this issue.

New County Depository Offers 14.11% On CD's

First State Bank of Columbus Awarded Contract

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Through the investment of allocated but unspent funds, the county gained a total of \$76,027.42 in interest during the year of 1978, noted Judge Cranek.

Comm. Dev.

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Lopez and Mrs. Claudine Shorter; Mayor Elmer Struss; city councilmen; engineers Bill Krueger and Bob McDaniel of the engineering firm of O'Malley & Clay; and a number of interested citizens.

Jan. Rain

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inches in February up to 8 a.m. Tuesday.

In 1976, the lake plant measured only 1.35 inches in January, in 1977, 2.68; and in 1978, 5.93 inches.

Rice Crop

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market price received by farmers during the first five months of the 1979 marketing year; or (b) the 1979 national average loan rate for rice.

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