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Water Well

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site as the well.

The council approved a recommendation by a committee consisting of Alvin W. Kohlfel and Roy D. Van Nort and city manager T. J. Smith to hire the engineering firm of O'Malley and Clay of Brenham for the project.

Manager's Report

In other action April 10th, the city manager reported that 172 pets were vaccinated during the three separate clinics held at the Eagle Lake Police Station during the end of March and first week of April.

Smith also reported that the city's new garbage truck had arrived and would be in operation immediately, replacing one of the two trucks already in operation.

Comm. Dev. Grant

Wayne Stolz of O'Malley and Clay met with the council to review the proposed work in the Westmoreland Addition as part of the Community Development Grant received by the city. The firm is now surveying for right-of-ways and will have the property appraised and approved within 190 days. The project, according to Stolz, should be ready for bids in the first part of June.

Free Clinic

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aged to have their blood pressure checked. An estimated 23 million Americans have high blood pressure and it is the leading cause of death among Blacks.

High blood pressure is a silent killer-it usually has no symptoms and at least half the people with high blood pressure are unaware they have it. When untreated, it can lead to strokes, heart disease, kidney disease, and other serious complications. High blood pressure usually can not be cured but a lifetime of proper medical care can prevent the person with high blood pressure from these serious complications, the nurse added.

City Police

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thrift.

Cutting Reported

The Eagle Lake Community Hospital notified Patrolman Clark Murgre at 10:55 p.m. April 11th that a Charles Ray McDade of Wallis had been admitted to the hospital with a cut on his face and arm. The cutting reportedly occurred at Tuffy's Bar in Wallis, hence officers in the Wallis police department were notified to investigate.

Retirement Plan

In another matter, councilman Bill Farris, head of the city's retirement plan committee.

False Alarm

Grass Fire Sat.

Eagle Lake volunteer firemen were called to a supposed grass fire at 3:00 p.m. last Saturday, and the department sent out two units but was unable to locate any sign of a fire in the reported area.

Plans Progress For C.C. July 4th Celebration

Eagle Lake Chamber of Commerce directors, in session Monday, moved forward with plans for the July Fourth celebration as a major fund-raising activity for the chamber.

Ralph Truly, chairman of the Fourth of July celebration, reported to the board Monday that a barbecued chicken dinner will be prepared and served by chamber members at the noon hour. Tickets for the noon barbecue will be available early in May for \$3.00 per plate. The barbecued chicken and trimmings will be served at the Eagle Lake Recreation Center (golf course).

It was decided however, that there will be no sales at the serving area. Tickets must be purchased in advance in order to be served on July 4th.

Annual Street Dance

The chamber is still working on some other activities for the afternoon of July Fourth, however, it was definitely decided to open booths in the area of the downtown city square at 6:00 p.m. and the annual street dance will be held on Wed., July 4th from 8 p.m. to 12 midnight on Commerce Street on the east side of the square. Country Playboys will provide music for the dance.

Organizations interested in sponsoring a booth or booths during the July 4th activities, are urged to contact the chamber office in the Municipal Bldg. to reserve space for the evening.

Truly stressed that chamber members will be contacted to assist in

Rice FFA To Hold Annual Banquet Thurs.

The Rice High School Chapter of the Future Farmers of America will hold its annual Appreciation Banquet in the Rice High School Commons at 7:30 p.m. this Thursday, April 19th.

The program will be put on by the FFA members. Special guests will be parents and buyers at the recent FFA show and other FFA supporters.

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Bergers Ask Damages To Road Easement

A civil suit was filed in District Court in Columbus Apr. 12th by James S. Berger and others against J. & L. General Contractors, Inc. seeking damages to a right of way easement to property which the plaintiffs own.

The plaintiffs include James S. Berger and wife, Mae Belle, of Alleyton and Daniel J. Berger and wife, Lillie Mae, of Columbus. They allege that they own an easement for a right of way property which provides the only ingress and egress to land which they own and that the defendant damaged the roadway to a point where vehicular traffic is impossible.

They allege further breach of contracts signed Oct. 5 and Oct. 6, 1977 and that the defendant trespassed and was in violation of the Texas Deceptive Trade Practice and Consumer Protective Act.

The Bergers sue for 6,000 in actual damages, plus \$5,000 exemplary damages, plus \$3,000 for treble damages to the roadway, and \$5,000 as reasonable attorney's fees and costs of court. They also ask the court to issue an injunction desisting the defendant from further damage to the road right of way and to repair damages allegedly done to the road.

William H. Harrison for his election to the position of chairman of the board and to Bill, Jr. for succeeding his father as president of the bank.

Also, best wishes to Mena and Eldin Kveton, owners of the Gifts of Distinction, upon their retirement following the sale of the Gifts of Distinction to Mrs. Raymond Liz Waddell.

When the First National Bank of Eagle Lake began closing on Saturdays, they started something of a trend for area banks. The two Columbus banks and Colorado County Federal Savings and Loan Association in Columbus have started closing on Saturdays and we understand banks in Hallettsville and

BUZZIN' ABOUT TOWN

Yoakum are following suit. Of course, the Gulf Coast Savings branch office here has closed on Saturdays since it first opened.

Eagle Lake Rotary and Lions Clubs regretted to learn that their long-time cook and caterer, Mrs. Ted (Lillie) Balusek, was retiring from active duties at the Community Center due to her health. However they were happy to have Mrs. Arthur (Lillie) Behrens, who catered for the two clubs for many years, to return to that position. Mrs. L. O. Bernice Frnka who had been working with Mrs. Balusek will continue in her duties with Mrs. Behrens.

On Part-time Duty

Friends will be glad to hear that Rex Sanders, who recently suffered a heart attack, is able to be back on duty part-time at the Spalinger Hardware. All wish him continued recovery to good health.

Spreading a little Easter joy to patients in the Eagle Lake Community Hospital last week were the Alpha Delta Phi members and the Eagle Lake Community Hospital Auxiliary.

The sorority made Easter favors for patients' trays and the Pink Ladies placed Easter greeting decals on each of the patients' doors.

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Outstanding Rice FFA Members



Among the highlights of the annual Rice FFA Parent-Member Banquet each year is the naming of outstanding members or Star Farmers. Shown above are the recipients of these honors at last Thursday night's banquet, left to right, Bruno Shimek, recipient of the second annual 4-T Ranch award given by the Sammy Tate family for being named the outstanding senior Rice FFA member; Woody Jones, Jr., who was named the Chapter Star Farmer; Kevin Page of Bryan, Area State FFA Vice President, who spoke during the banquet program; Ricky Miller, Chapter Star Greenhand; and Paul Vasut, Outstanding Co-op Student. For more on the banquet, see page 10.

Rice Board Declines To Reconsider Contract

The Rice Consolidated School District's board of education, in a specially called grievance hearing open to the public in the Administration Building at Rice High School in Altair last Wednesday evening, April 18th, voted unanimously not to reconsider the renewal of the contract of James N. Majors, Jr., who has been a Rice High School history teacher for the 1978-79 school year. All members of the board were present, with President Jane Clipson presiding.

Mr. Majors, through Houston attorney Bob Hall, had requested the hearing asking for reconsideration of the action taken by the board on March 12th not to renew the history teacher's contract. However, Majors was not represented at the hearing by Attorney Jeri Stone of Austin. She is the director for legal services for the Texas Classroom Teachers Association.

Attorney M. L. Null of Victoria, the Rice District's legal advisor, was present at the session to give legal counsel but did not make comments or interrogations.

Board's Statement

Upon opening the meeting, Mrs. Clipson read the following statement from the board:

"This meeting has been set by the Board of Trustees at the request of Mr. James Majors, Jr., setting through his attorney, Mr. Robert E. Hall. However, before beginning, it should be stated that the Board of Trustees does not consider the grievance procedure set forth in board policy to be applicable to this matter. The grievance procedure set out there is for personnel complaints and personal grievance matters dealing with work and work conditions of the teacher and does not contemplate

EL Kindergarten Registration Next Tuesday

All parents who have a child five years old or under should register at the Eagle Lake next Tuesday, April 23 at 7:30 p.m. in the Eagle Lake Community Center with William H. Harrison as master of ceremony.

Dr. Arthur R. Gerlew, Area Economist-Manager, will present with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, will give an introduction of Estate Management. His idea of proper estate planning does not necessarily mean an estate will pass tax free, but a thorough understanding of potential costs can help save tax dollars.

Copies of the birth certificates will be made and the originals will be returned to the parents after school begins in August, said principal Major Benge.

AARP To Meet Wed., May 2nd

The Eagle Lake Chapter of the American Association of Retired Persons will have its monthly meeting at 2:30 p.m. Wed., May 2nd at the fellowship hall of the First Baptist Church. The board will meet at 2:00 p.m.

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Monday Is Deadline To Assess Prop. Commrs.' Ct. OK's Fund Division On 3 to 2 Vote

Next Monday, April 30th is the final date for assessing property for 1979 state, county, city and school district taxes.

County Tax Officer Henry J. Hajovsky reminds that homeowners must sign a homestead exemption by April 30th in order to be eligible for the \$3000 homestead exemption.

Also Rice District manager Roy Marshall notes that Apr. 30th is also the final date for applying for the Homestead Exemption for school taxes. The exemption amounts to \$5000 on the market value or \$2000 off the assessed value (40% in the Rice District. For those who have assessed and have not signed the homestead exemption affidavit, a copy of the form is published on page 14 of this issue and may be mailed postmarked not later than Apr. 30th.

City of Eagle Lake taxes are due on April 30th and payments after that date will be subject to penalty and interest. Normally the payment deadline is Jan. 31st, but was extended this year since the tax statements were late in the mail-out.

Commencement exercises will be held at Rice High School at 8:00 p.m. on Friday, May 25th. Seniors, as in the past, will present their own program.

The annual awards program for the senior class, with the presentation of numerous awards and scholarships to outstanding students, will be held at 10:30 a.m. on Friday, May 11th in Rice Raider gymnasium.

A delightful speaker, Mrs. Elsa Rosborough of Houston, a model teacher at the University of Houston, wife and mother, will present the program entitled, "The Visual Approach to Library."

Proceeds from the social are earmarked for the benefit of the Eula and David Wintermar Library.

Men as well as ladies are invited to attend the luncheon or there will be plates to go. Bring plates and cover for take-out lunches.

Other Honor Graduates

Other honor graduates include: Stephen P. Spaniel, son of Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Spaniel of Eagle Lake, 4.368 average; Roberta Theresa Tomchesson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Tomchesson of Eagle Lake, 4.318 average;

Jessie Annette Gold, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Gold of Nada. (Continued on last page)

Top RHS Graduates Joyce Korenek, Mary Ann Schoellmann

Colorado County Judge Lester J. Cranek conceded Monday afternoon that his efforts to reach a harmonious decision among the four commissioners had been unsuccessful. The judge twice before had abstained from casting a tie-breaking vote, but Monday stated, "Apparently the commissioners can't be agreeable on the matter of the division of the funds." He added that by placing nearly a fifth of the revenue available into a unified fund, "I can thus take into consideration the extra deficiencies to be cared for through the unified fund on a priority basis."

He then cast his vote for the motion made by Precinct 4 Commissioner Bill Stiles and seconded by Precinct 2 Commissioner Rafael Veselka to allocate the \$150,000 to each of the four precincts and place the balance, an estimated \$146,772, into the unified fund for expenditure on a majority vote of the court on a priority need basis. Precinct 1 Commissioner Otto Loessin and Precinct 3 Commissioner Crockett Leyendecker voted against the motion.

Motion on Top of Motion

After Stiles and Veselka had made the original motion, Leyendecker and Loessin countered with an amendment motion which would have allocated \$100,000 to each precinct and the rest would be distributed to the four precincts on a pro rata basis using miles of road in each precinct, and also asked that the funds be transferred to the jurisdiction of each precinct commissioner.

Stiles and Veselka countered with a motion to table the Leyendecker-Loessin motion and when it was brought to a vote, there was a 2-2 deadlock, but Judge Cranek voted for the motion to table.

Leyendecker and Loessin came back with a motion to table the original Stiles and Veselka motion to distribute \$150,000 to each precinct and place the rest into a unified fund. On this motion, again the four commissioners were deadlocked 2-2 and Judge Cranek voted not to table. This led to the final vote on the matter.

Tex. SE Gas Asks 12.2% Rate Hike

Texas Southeastern Gas Company last week announced that it has made a formal application to the Texas Railroad Commission for an increase of approximately 12.2% in the aggregate rates to its city gas, large industrial and rural residential, commercial and small industrial customers.

Texas Southeastern Gas Company is a unit of Coastal States Gas Corporation, the Houston-based energy firm. The company provides natural gas to the gas distribution system here.

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Doctors To Teach EMT Course Here

An Emergency Medical Technician Course will be taught by Dr. Raymond Thomas and Dr. Jose Ugarte at the Ambulance Hall in Eagle Lake beginning May 9. The classes will meet on Mondays and Wednesdays in sessions lasting three or four hours starting at 7:00 p.m.

An EMT course gives a minimum of classroom hours plus hours of on-the-job training at a

Supper, Play In Lissie Church Festival Sat.

The public is invited to participate in the Spring Festival to be held this Saturday, April 28th at the Lissie United Methodist Church.

A chicken spaghetti supper will be served from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. followed by a play, "A Woman's Wisdom" which will begin at 7:00 p.m. and will be presented by the Lissie Church women. Tickets are \$4.00 which includes both supper and play. For advance tickets, call Jack Cramer at 234-2211. In case of a rain, the play will be held at 7:00 p.m. on Sunday, April 29th.

Handmade place mats, pot holders, coasters, hooked rugs, ceramics, plants and Christmas decorations. Delicious cakes and pies will be sold in the Pastry Booth.

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Daylight Savings Time Begins 2 A.M. Sunday; School Schedules Same

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Supt. E. A. Krivacka advised that there will be no changes in the schedule of beginning and ending school and the same times observed in the past will remain in effect under daylight savings time.

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