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Dr. Thomas, Dr. Griffin Head Comm. Hospital Medical Staff

The Eagle Lake Community Hospital Medical Staff members, at their recent fiscal year-end meeting, elected officers for the 1979-1980 staff year.

Elected to head the activities of the physicians for the coming year was Raymond R. Thomas, M.D., Chief of the Medical Staff; and Harold L. Griffin, M.D., Vice-Chief of the Medical Staff and Secretary-Treasurer. Dr. Raymond R. Thomas takes over the reign of Medical Staff leadership from J. C. Laughlin, M.D. who served as Chief of the Medical Staff from 1978-1979. Dr. Laughlin is beginning to limit his practice effective at this time.

Dr. Raymond Thomas is a life-long resident of Eagle Lake and has established a large practice in Family Medicine and is the founding senior partner of the Thomas-Ugarte Medical and Surgical Clinic in Eagle Lake.

Dr. Harold L. Griffin is originally from Liberty, Texas and has for the last thirteen years practiced medicine in the specialty field of Otolaryngology, (Ear, Nose and Throat). His office is located in Columbus, Texas at 1221 Bowie Street and his hospital practice is in the Eagle Lake Community Hospital.

Both doctors indicated that they expect an active year for the Medical Staff as the hospital occupancy is running very high and plans are in the reviewing stage to determine the future growth directions of all the hospital's services to the citizens of the Southeast Colorado County area.

Raymond R. Thomas, M.D. Dr. Thomas, 52, graduated from Eagle Lake High School in 1943, and received his medical degree from the University of Texas Medical Branch at Galveston, Texas in 1953. Following a year of internship he returned to the Eagle Lake community to begin practice as an associate with the Laughlin Clinic in 1954. Later he established the Thomas Clinic that was located at 209 S. McCarty Avenue.

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Dr. Thomas



Dr. Griffin

Grand Jury In Second Session Mon.

The Second Session of the February Grand Jury for Colorado County will begin at 10:00 a.m. Monday in Columbus. Serving on the jury will be the same persons who served in the first session in February, namely, Dan Delgado and Lawrence Loessin of Weimar; M. G. Lanier, Ronald Priesmeyer and Isaac Berry of Garwood; Mrs. Ellie Mae Reichardt of Rt. Sealy; Mrs. Betty J. Nelson of Alleyton; Delmo Warschak, Chester Carter and Mrs. Grace Mosby of Columbus; and Mrs. Bobbie J. Johnson and Benjamin Castillo of Eagle Lake.

A number of criminal cases are due to be brought to the attention of the jurors. District Judge E. W. Patteson will preside at the opening of the session.

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John Robinson New Pastor Of Methodist Church

The Rev. and Mrs. John Weston and family will be moving this week to Pearsall, Texas where he has been assigned to pastoral duties at the First United Methodist Church of Pearsall. He has served as minister of the United Methodist Church in Eagle Lake for the past two years.

The Rev. John A. Robinson, who has served as minister of the Falfurrias-Premont church for the past seven years, will be coming here this Thursday to assume duties as pastor of the United Methodist Church. The Rev. and Mrs. Robinson and daughter Bridgette will be moving into the Methodist parsonage on Melody Lane Thursday and he will preach his first sermon at the United Methodist Church this Sunday.

Friends and parishioners extend best wishes to the Westons in their new ministry in Pearsall; and join in welcoming the new pastor and family to this community.

List Booths For July 4th Celebration With C.C.

Organizations and groups in the community interested in sponsoring a concession booth at the forthcoming July Fourth celebration to be held here by the Eagle Lake Chamber of Commerce, are urged to contact the chamber to enter their booth and to reserve a space in the area around the city square.

The booths will open at 6:00 p.m. on the evening of Wednesday, July 4th, and will remain open at the discretion of the sponsors, but must be closed not later than 12 midnight.

The chamber will receive \$10 or 10 percent of the gross proceeds, whichever is the greater, for the booth space. East Main and Commerce Streets on the south side and east side of the city square and also the street behind the postoffice, will be closed from 6 p.m. to 12 midnight for the event.

Rice Production Clinics Here, Garwood Wed.

Rice production clinics will be held in Colorado County next Wednesday, June 13. The clinics will begin at 10:00 a.m. at the Texas A&M Experiment Station in Eagle Lake and at 2:00 p.m. at the American Rice Growers office at Garwood.

"This will be a good opportunity to bring in your problem rice plants, weeds and/or insects. During the clinics, the proper way to sweep your rice field for insect counts will be demonstrated so bring along your rubber boots," said County Extension Agent Leroy J. Hajdik.

Resource people for the clinics will be Drs. Arlen Klosterboer, Walter Walla, Clarence Bowling, and Jim Stansel.

"Pass the word to your fellow rice producers. This has proven to be a very practical program the past three years," added the county agent.

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Mrs. Matthews To Preach At Bloomington

Mrs. C. H. (Laurina) Matthews, one of the most outstanding members of the local United Methodist Church, will be serving, beginning June 10th, as a Lay Speaker in the Bloomington Methodist Church. Following the School for License as local pastor in July, she will be appointed as the pastor in charge.

Mrs. Matthews has been organist in the local church for the past twenty-six years, full time for the last twelve years, and often times filled the pulpit. The ministry and witness in music, she so faithfully gave, shall be dearly missed by local Methodists.

She plans to commute to Bloomington, keeping her residence here.

This fine lady is to be commended for her service to the church and to the community since she has served with Mission Center here since its organization. Congratulations and best wishes are extended to Mrs. Matthews in her new ministry.

She was honored at last Sunday morning's worship service, when members of the congregation presented to Mrs. Matthews a beautiful new minister's robe. R. P. Wilcox made the presentation in behalf of members of the United Methodist Church here.

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VFW Wants Names Of Deceased Vets

Rice Area Memorial Post of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, Eagle Lake, is seeking the names of deceased veterans of all wars who are buried in any of the cemeteries in Eagle Lake.

The Post plans to hold an appropriate memorial service on Veterans Day, Nov. 11th, when a roll call of the deceased veterans will be read.

Relatives or friends of any deceased veterans of any wars in which the United States has participated are asked to submit the name, rank and branch of service in which the veteran served to the Post as soon as possible.

You may send this information to P. O. Box 87, Eagle Lake, Texas 7434, or leave the information with Tommy Pilkington at the Winter Inn offices, Jack Lisowski at Jack's Restaurant, L. J. Spaniel at Spaniel and Son, Earl Rogers at First National Bank or any other VFW member.

"This is the only way which we have of obtaining the name and rank of deceased veterans, and we seek your cooperation so that a complete list of deceased veterans buried in cemeteries in Eagle Lake may be obtained," said Post Commander Pilkington.

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Cigarettes Taken In Burglary At Woody's Drive In, Garwood

Burglars who entered the Woody's Drive In Grocery in Garwood during last Wednesday night or Thursday morning, took only two cartons of cigarettes for their trouble.

The knob on the back door was broken off but

Testing City's New Water Well



City Manager T. J. Smith, right, catches a sample test of the water flowing from the city's new well on Davitt Street. City officials expressed great pleasure in the quantity and quality of the water and commended

the Layne-Western Co. employees who drilled the well for their good work. At the left is Jimmy Habison, tool pusher for the drilling company; and in the middle is Joe Bauer, day driller on the project.

City To Open Bids For "Flat" Drainage Tuesday

Bids will be opened at 7:30 p.m. next Tuesday, June 12th by the Eagle Lake City Council for construction of drainage improvements in the Westmoreland Area of the city.

The improvements will include improvements to the drainage ditch along Fourth Street, from Highway 90A (East Main Street) south to E Street and also paralleling E Street west in front of the Eagle Lake Primary School property, all located in the area of the city known as the "flat."

Representatives of the engineering firm of O. Malley and Clay, Inc. of Katy, are expected to be on hand to assist the council in tabulating bids offered for the project.

The program will be financed under a \$700,000 Community Block Grant which was approved last year by HUD (Department of Housing and Urban Development).

once inside the burglars did not disturb anything and only the cigarettes were reported missing by Mrs. Pat Wishert who called the sheriff's department to investigate.

New City Water Well Tests Good

Guerra Gets 7 Yr. Probation, \$400 Fine

Lupe Guerra, who waived indictment by grand jury, and entered a plea of guilty to a charge of robbery of the Sandy Creek Drive In Grocery near Sheridan, was sentenced in District Court May 31st.

District Judge B. B. Schraub set Guerra's punishment at seven years of probation and a \$400 fine.

Also in the same session Thursday, probation granted in 1976 to Willie Parker, was revoked and he was sentenced to serve two years in the Texas Department of Corrections.

The original sentence of seven years of probation was on a charge of robbery. It was set out in the order revoking the probation that Parker did not pay supervisory fees as ordered, did not abide by others terms of the probation, and was also charged with theft since the probation was granted.

Layne-Western To Complete Tests This Week

Work is expected to be completed this week on the first phase of the water system extensions, approved by the City of Eagle Lake voters when they approved a \$300,000 revenue bond issue Mar. 3rd, with the completion of the testing of the new water well located on city property on Davitt St.

Layne-Western Company of Houston, which was awarded a contract for drilling the new well and installation of pumping equipment, was expected to begin removing its drilling equipment from the scene on Wednesday of this week.

City manager T. J. Smith said that the results obtaining in drilling the new well have been "very good," as he indicated that a bountiful supply of water of good quality was found at the well site.

Crews of Layne-Western were completing tests of the water flow from the well at mid-week. The city manager noted that the well has been pumping (with the use of Layne-Western's own equipment) since 7:30 Monday morning and the well flowed up to 1750 gallons per minute during an eight-hour period, well in excess of the city's goal of 1250 gallons per minute from the new well.

The city manager stated that since 6:00 p.m. Monday, the well has been flowing 1280 gallons per minute and the water was judged to be of good quality.

The static level of the new well was quoted at 70 feet and the pumping level at 212 feet. Total depth of the well was 841 feet although the well was initially projected to 750 feet but such good water-producing sands were found that the well was drilled to a total depth of 841 feet.

Layne-Western will install, as part of its

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New Sheridan Lions Officers



Sheridan Lions Club installed 1979-80 officers May 29th, including: front row, l. to r., Charles DeHann, secretary-treasurer; Franklin Walker, 3rd vice-pres.; Fred Chavantes, 1st vice-pres.; back row, l. to r., W. P. Crumpton, 2nd vice-pres.; James B. Ross, director; Gregory Hades, tall (twisted) Love Brien, president; Traylor Walker, Lions tamer. Not shown is Clifton Darden, director.

Take Part In Memorial Service



Among the participants in the Memorial Service at St. Mary's Church and Cemetery last Wednesday, Memorial Day, were: left to right, County Judge Lester J. Crank, who delivered a Memorial address and called the roll of

veterans; Jeffery Dugie who placed a wreath in tribute to the deceased veterans; Monsignor Alexander A. Leopold who officiated at the Requiem High Mass; and Monsignor Victor Schmittinsky, pastor of St. Mary's Church. (See story on page 18).