

Orientation For Hospital Bd.



Shown above left to right are: Wayne Corman, Steve Bales and Anthony Kallina examining the new two-year accreditation certificate just received by the hospital, and now being displayed in the lobby.

New Hospital Bd. Members Attend Orientation Session

The Eagle Lake Community Hospital recently held a half day orientation session for new governing board members, Steve Bales, Wayne Corman and Anthony Kallina.

The administrative staff and each hospital department head gave the new board members an in-depth review of their department, and introduced their department personnel.

The orientation session began at noon with a light luncheon, and following the meal the new board retired to the administrators' office to review two video tape educational programs furnished by the hospital.

The educational videotapes are part of a six series developed by the American Hospital Association for smaller hospitals.

The tapes were entitled "Governance in Small or Rural Hospitals" and "Reimbursement Issues."

Following a discussion and review of the educational tapes, the group returned to the Conference Room where the following topics were reviewed: Organization and structure of Eagle Lake Community Hospital; Medical Staff Structure; and National issues in Health Care.

A behind the scene tour of the hospital concluded the day's educational activities. Following the tour, hospital department heads joined the administrator at a cake and coffee reception honoring the three new board members.

The hospitals dietary department furnished a large cake decorated with the following inscription: "We Welcome You." The cake's decorative icing prepared in blue and white (hospital colors) listed each new governing board member's name, and displayed the hospital's family logo and name spelled out around a large stylized medical caduceus.

Corman is a local rice farmer with considerable hospital medical administrative experience received during his military training. Bales is an Eagle Lake rice farmer and holds special skills and training as a Registered Pharmacist. Kallina is a Garwood-Alkair area rice farmer and rice dryer owner-operator. Bales and Kallina are Rice High School board members.

The three officials agreed that the orientation program will be helpful as they begin their duties and responsibilities as new members of the Eagle Lake Community Hospital Governing Board.

Pedestrian Killed On IH-10 Mon.

A Mexican alien pedestrian was killed when struck by a pickup truck on IH 10 6.6 miles east of Columbus at 9 p.m. Monday, July 16th.

Highway Patrolman Sam Trammell of Columbus investigated. Deputy Sheriff Richard LaCourse assisted at the scene.

The victim was Fernande Hernandez, estimated between 18 and 26, who had been employed at a flower making plant on IH-10 and was crossing the highway.

According to information received, Hernandez was fired and threatened to "burn the place down." He staggered to IH-10 and started to cross the highway, south on north, and was struck by a 1974 Chevrolet pickup truck driven by Jesus Hernandez, 36, of El Paso.

The vehicle was traveling west on IH-10 and the victim hit the grill and then fell under the pickup. He was reported dead at the scene by Justice of the Peace Richard C. Schmidt of Columbus.

The driver of the truck, also a Hernandez, and passengers in the camper of the pickup escaped injury.

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Investigation revealed the entry was gained by prying open the front door. Missing from the trailer were a Homelite chainsaw, a double blade saw, and a Fender standard guitar. A trailer next to the one Dallas owns, also had indications that it had been broken into also, however the owners of the trailer had not been found by the sheriff's department Tuesday. Investigation of the incidents continues.

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Sewing Center To Close For Two Weeks

The Sewing Center at 102 Boothe Drive will be closed Monday, July 21 through August 4, said Mrs. Irene Bales, owner.

The Sewing Center will be open for one hour only Friday, July 25 and Friday, August 1 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. for the convenience of customers needing to pick up or leave clothing, she stated.

Altar Society Holds Monthly Meeting July 3rd

The Altar Society of Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic Church held its regular monthly meeting Thursday, July 3, at 7:00 p.m. at the Dining Hall with Father Tom Hannan and thirteen members present.

The next meeting will be held at the Dining Hall with Father Tom Hannan and thirteen members present.

The members made final plans for the food booth to be held at the Fourth of July celebration. The members agreed that all proceeds from the booth be given to the Fire Fund.

Mrs. Mary Thuesman was the door prize winner.

At the conclusion of the meeting, a Bible Study was held by Father Tom.

The next meeting will be held August 7th at 7:00 p.m.

Visiting Grandparents Little Miss Lauren Waddell of El Campo is visiting this week with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. "Raymond" Waddell, while her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dick Waddell, are in England on a Rotary exchange program.

District Engineer Carl Ramert of Yukon said the proposed work consists of reconstructing and strengthening the roadway, rebuilding three narrow bridges on Harvey's Creek, Peck's Creek and a branch of Harvey's Creek, and providing a 22-foot-wide riding surface throughout the length of the project.

Because of heavy truck traffic on the 7.9-mile section, the structural design of the pickup truck driven by Jesus Hernandez, 36, of El Paso.

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County Census County Short

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ever show a slight increase in the population count in the city of Eagle Lake.

"It is very important that every possible person is counted. Call the county courthouse or contact your local city officials to report the fact that you have not been counted," urged the judge.

It was noted that it is very important for the accurate count to be made, for many of the funds received by the county for such programs as revenue sharing, senior citizens programs, criminal justice grants, etc. are determined by the population of the county. "We can't get our proper return of the tax money which we pay in income taxes and other, if we don't have a proper population count and we'll have to share with this situation for the next ten years."

He said that information gathered from the county companies in this county indicate that it is likely 1300 homes serviced with utilities are not included in the census. The combined utilities estimate is that the county should have a population of about 30,000 persons, considerably over the 17,698 counted in the 1970 census.

He said that the shortages appear generally over the entire county and are not seen in any particular area or cities of the county. The preliminary report does however.

Champion Eagles Softballers Enjoy Day At Somerville

On July 13 the Eagles softball team went to Lake Somerville for a day of swimming, floating and games. At noon the girls were treated to hot dogs and all the trimmings.

Enjoying the event were Cheryl, Seneca, Carolyn Rossney, Camille Mitchell, Odessa Thomas, Wendy Taylor, Marsha Kuykendall, Margaret Reel and Sherry McGraw.

The girls didn't want the day to end, but it was the best time they ever had. Reported.

Two Injured When Bronco Flips Over Tues.

Two men received injuries when the 1973 Ford Bronco in which they were riding overturned on Highway 90A at the intersection of Highway 90A and one in Rock Island.

Richard C. Schmidt of the trespass charges and were still in jail Tuesday under a \$1,000 bond set by Judge Schmidt on the unauthorized use of a motor vehicle charge.

A 4.5 mile stretch of the highway was closed for the next four days.

Both are in the area with a drilling crew, it was reported.

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City Discovers "Volunteer" Firemen Not Covered Under City Insurance

The City of Eagle Lake will be digging deep into its pocket very soon to help meet hospital expenses for recently injured volunteer firemen because of what Mayor Elmer Struss has called "an oversight on the city's part."

Only a couple of days after the tragic fire and explosion (June 28th) that left six firemen injured, two seriously, the City learned that it had no insurance to cover the accident.

"The oversight was not intentional," said the Mayor. "All city officials were under the impression that we were covered."

The City of Eagle Lake in 1977 transferred its insurance coverage to a group policy presented by the Texas Municipal League, which, according to Struss, saved the city about \$2000 on its premium payment.

The policy, which also is being used by many other Texas cities, was understood to offer the same coverage as that covering the city previously. However, the new policy denied coverage of "volunteer" firemen.

The city now has the firemen covered by a 30-day binder under a St. Paul policy offered by Eagle Lake and Strickland Insurance Agency, which is to cover the city until an actual policy could be adopted. New city manager Bob Klockman has notified all local agencies to present a policy to the city for consideration at the council's next meeting on July 22nd.

Two men who apparently got their truck stuck on Country Camp property got into a lot of trouble when they took a front end loader in an effort to get their truck unstuck.

At 5:30 p.m. Sat., July 12th, J. Ralph Meadows of Columbus notified the Sheriff's office that there were two persons on his property and took a front-end loader which belonged to W. C. Daily.

Investigation revealed that the two men took the loader in an effort to free their truck. They contended that they intended to return the vehicle when they were finished with it.

The men did not have permission to be on Meadows' property or use the front end loader, learned officers. Meadows filed criminal trespass charges on both men and Daily filed unauthorized use of a motor vehicle on both.

Arrested were Danny Ray Blair, 22, of Brewton, Ala. and Donald Gene Bulmon, 26, of Crestview, Fla. They were fined \$60.50 each and ordered to appear in court on July 17th.

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Colorado Valley Little League All-Stars



The Colorado Valley Little League All-Star team opened play in the Area III Little League Baseball Tournament held in Columbus on Tuesday night losing in the Eagle Lake All-Stars by the score of 4 to 1.

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