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Dallas NAS To Name Housing For Medal Of Honor Winner Hutchins

This community's most highly decorated veteran of World War II, the late United States Seaman First Class Johnnie David Hutchins of Lissie, will be honored this Saturday, April 4th when the new Naval Air Station, Dallas Enlisted Unaccompanied Personnel Housing will be named in his memory.

Relatives of Hutchins have been invited to be present for the dedication ceremonies which will begin at 1:00 p.m. Saturday in Hutchins Hall. Also attending will be dignitaries including United States Senator and Mrs. John Tower and Rear Admiral Frederick Palmer, Chief of the Naval Reserve.

The group will be special guests at a luncheon in the Chief Petty Officers Club preceding the ceremony and also will attend the dedication ceremonies of the first jet transport aircraft to be based at Naval Air Station in Dallas.

Among those planning to attend as guests of the Dallas Naval Air Station are: Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Lewis and son Johnny, Mr. and Mrs. August Schmidt and Linda and several grandchildren, all of Eagle Lake; Mrs. Vivian Thomas of South Carolina (daughter of the Lewis); Mrs. Lewis and Mrs. Schmidt are sisters of late Seaman Hutchins.

Also present will be 2 other sisters, Elsie Bennett of Houston and Marian Winzenried of Freeport and a



Johnnie David Hutchins

brother Harold Hutchins of Beaumont.

Killed In Action Sept. 4, 1943

Johnnie David Hutchins, a native of Weimar, paid the supreme sacrifice in the defense of his country Sept. 4, 1943 in an assault on Lae, New Guinea. In May of 1944

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Fire Causes Smoke Damage At Eagle Market

A fire caused considerable smoke damage and some damage to electrical wiring at the Eagle Market, local grocery and frozen food locker plant, last Sunday afternoon. Eagle Lake firemen received a call at 1:30 p.m. after Leonard L. Walker, one of the owners, discovered the building filled with dense smoke.

He located the source of the fire - a broken gas hose leading to a heater placed atop the dairy products cooler, and turned off the gas. The spurring fire caused considerable damage to a lot of electrical wiring on a masonry wall and this contributed to the heavy smoke in the building.

Fortunately, Walker located the fire before it managed to ignite other portions of the building and contents.

He praised Eagle Lake volunteer firemen for their quick response and for their fine work in assisting to remove smoke from the building.

The firm was open for business as usual Monday morning, however circuits to a nearby frozen food cooler were out temporarily.

Michele Sibley Is Dist. Winner In Masonic Essay Competition

James L. Adkins, Worshipful Master of Masonic Lodge, A.F. & A.M. No. 366, Eagle Lake, announces that Miss Michele Sibley of Eagle Lake, Rice High School student, has been named a District Winner in the Grand Lodge of Texas 1981 Essay Contest. The contest is held for all seniors in the public schools of Texas and Miss Sibley's accomplishment in being named a district winner was an outstanding one.

Her essay, along with other district winners, will be judged for scholarship awards to be presented by the Grand Lodge of Texas on December 3rd.

Theme of the contest was "Americanism - The 1980's."

First prize on the state level in 2 divisions, males and females, will be a \$3,000

\$500 Stolen At Jack's Place, Alleyton, Tuesday

Jack Dodd, owner of Jack's Place in Alleyton, reported to the Colorado County Sheriff's Dept. at 7 a.m. Tuesday that two white females had stolen a bank money bag with approximately \$500.00 in the bag from his place of business in Alleyton.

Dodd told the officers that while he was busy in his place, the two women took the bag and left the area in a late model white Cadillac automobile.

A call was put out on the radio but the white Cadillac was never located. The investigation continues as area law enforcement officers are attempting to locate the two women.

Revival Begins Monday At Getsemani Ch.

A Revival will be held at Mision Bautista Getsemani in Eagle Lake beginning Monday, April 6th and continuing through Sunday, April 12th. Services will be held each evening at 7:30 p.m. and the pastor, the Rev. Rogelio R. Rodriguez, invites one and all to attend any or all of the services.

Evangelist will be the Rev. Belarmino Dussan, pastor of a church in Wharton. Special music will be provided each night.

La Familia Is New Mexican Food Restaurant Here

La Familia Cafe at 310 Main Street in Eagle Lake is now open for business featuring a full line of Mexican foods.

The cafe will be open only Thursday through Sunday and closed Monday through Wednesday.

You are invited to drop by for a visit during the opening hours.

Owners and operators of La Familia are Manuel and Baudelia Trevino of this city.

Little League Meeting Fri., 7 PM; Coaches Needed

The Eagle Lake Little League Association will hold a meeting this Friday at 7:00 p.m. to start planning for the summer program which is scheduled to get underway in the middle of May. The meeting will be held at the Eagle Lake Implement Co. on Highway 90A near the FM 3013 intersection, announced league president Arthur Gutierrez.

All persons interested in coaching any of the Little League or girls' softball teams are urged to attend this meeting. The league is especially interested in getting a coach for a senior girls' softball team which would participate along with Wallis in a league in East Bernard.

"With May quickly approaching, we must get our program in gear to insure another successful season," said Gutierrez. "We urge all interested persons to please attend this meeting Friday to help get things off to a good start."

Broesche's Restaurant Now Open

Broesche's Restaurant (formerly Jack's Restaurant) at 201 Bothe Drive opened on Wednesday morning of this week under the ownership of Fred and Charlotte Broesche.

The Broesches purchased the restaurant from Jack and Erlene Listowski. The Listowskis extend thanks to all in the community for their patronage and cooperation during their operation of the restaurant and ask their patrons to continue this courtesy to the new owners.

The Broesches are offering a special opening breakfast buffet from this Wednesday through April 12th and they invite you to come by for a visit at any time.

The restaurant will feature steaks and other home-cooked foods with a luncheon buffet Sunday through Wednesday and a special barbecue buffet Thursday through Saturday. They will also have barbecue to go through a drive-in window at the rear of the restaurant.

Garwood Meth. Ladies' Garage, Bake Sale Sat.

Women of the Lehrer Memorial United Methodist Church in Garwood will sponsor a garage and bake sale at the church on Sat., April 4th from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

The ladies will have for sale clothing of all kinds, household items, collectibles, small appliances, etc.

You can also purchase a wide assortment of delicious home-baked items.

Garwood Lions To Sponsor Rabies Clinic Saturday

Garwood Lions Club will sponsor a rabies vaccination clinic in the Garwood community this Saturday, April 4th from 12 noon to 2 p.m. Dr. Potter, veterinarian, will be on hand to administer the rabies vaccine.

All citizens of the Garwood and Nada communities are urged to bring their pets in for inoculation.

Notice To Rice CISD Taxpayers

The Rice Consolidated I.S.D. has contracted with an attorney at law for his services to collect past due delinquent accounts.

Penalty and interest is owed on delinquent accounts at this time and will be charged if paid now. On May 1, 1981 delinquent accounts will be given to the attorney for collection. An additional fifteen (15%) percent attorney's fee will be charged to the taxpayer for any accounts collected which have been turned over to the attorney.

After June 1, 1981, suits will be filed on delinquent accounts. Court costs, in addition to penalty and interest and 15% legal fee, will be added to accounts collected through court.

Council Is Studying \$895,963 Bdgt.

City Manager Bob Klockman distributed preliminary summaries for the 1981 budget for the City of Eagle Lake to members of the city council and Mayor Elmer Struss at the meeting of the council on Tuesday of last week. The proposed budget totals \$895,963, up about 20% over the 1980-81 budget. The city manager stresses that the new budget does not call for any increase in taxes. Most of the increase comes about due to inflationary costs of supplies and energy sources.

The council was due to meet in a special meeting on Tuesday night of this week to discuss the budget and make possible changes.

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City's Application For \$850,000 Grant Denied

A preapplication by Eagle Lake for a 1981 Community Development Block Grant amounting to \$850,000 was turned down last week by the Dept. of Housing and Urban Development reported city manager Bob Klockman during the regular session of the city council on Tuesday night, March 24th.

The grant, if it had been approved, would have provided funds for rehabilitation and for major drainage and street improvements in the Rice Mill area inside an area bounded by Beaks, Seaholm, Fairview and North Streets. About \$350,000 was earmarked for housing rehabilitation with \$415,000 planned for drainage and street work. Also included in the funding would have been demolition \$15,000, energy conservation \$30,000 and administration \$40,000.

The council announced no plans to apply for future grants that would benefit the area, however, the city manager indicated that his office will start working to improve drainage in the area.

Other action on Tuesday night of last week the city

John Mahalitcs, Sr. To Observe 50th Anniversary Sun.

The children and grandchildren of Mr. and Mrs. John Mahalitcs, Sr., will honor their parents and grandparents with a reception this Sunday, April 5th on the occasion of their Fiftieth Wedding Anniversary.

The reception will be held in the Eagle Lake Community Center, 100 North Walnut, from two to five o'clock.

Invitations are being extended through the press to all to attend the reception. The family requests no gifts please.

Episcopal Women To Hold Rummage Sale Fri., Sat.

The Women of Christ Episcopal Church, Eagle Lake, are working toward funding a 100th Anniversary celebration in 1985 for their church and are starting with a rummage sale.

The rummage sale will be held at Christ Episcopal Parish Hall on Stockbridge St., next to pink church, on Friday, April 3 from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. and Saturday, April 4 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

All types of items will be offered for sale.

Grand Opening Of Country Crafts In Rock Is. Apr. 7-10

A new business, Country Crafts, will hold its grand opening in the Rock Island community beginning Tuesday, April 7th through Sat., April 10th.

Country Crafts will be located a mile and a half east of Rock Island on Highway 90A at the Fred Grahmann home and will feature stitchery, needlepoint and cross stitch items and more. The firm will also sell handmade items on consignment. Operating the new business will be Mrs. Fred (Sharon) Grahmann and Mrs. Jacque Smith.

Free sample kits will be given during the opening.

Little Interest In Sat. City, School Elections

Baby Abandoned On Hospital Steps Dec. 30 Dies

Funeral services were held here at 11 a.m. Tuesday, Mar. 31st for the infant baby girl who was deserted on the steps of the Eagle Lake Community Hospital on Dec. 30th only a few hours after the child's birth.

The infant, known as Jane Doe, died Sunday morning, March 29th in the Hermann Hospital in Houston of an apparent heart failure due to a liver disorder. It is believed that malnutrition contributed to the liver disorder.

Employees from the Colorado County Child Welfare Board made arrangements for the services with Mill-Bauer Funeral Home assisting in the graveside rites conducted by the Rev. J. Melburn Sibley, pastor of First Baptist Church of Eagle Lake.

Little "Jane Doe" was found on the steps to the emergency entrance at the hospital wrapped in a white blood-stained blanket and apparently had been born only a few hours when the dastardly act was committed by the child's mother or parents. It is believed the parents were of Spanish descent. Fortunately the baby was found in time or else it would have probably perished in the cold weather which prevailed at that time.

The infant quickly became a favorite at the hospital and later was transferred to Hermann Hospital where she died Sunday.

An effort is still being made to locate the parents. Anyone who might have information on the parents are urged to contact the Eagle Lake Police Department 234-2727 or the Child Welfare Office in Columbus 732-6231.

Courthouse Completion Due In 2 Weeks

Members of the Colorado County Commissioners' Court and Contractor C. C. Clark, Project Director A. J. Willard, and members of the Colorado County Historical Society's Citizens Committee, Mrs. James Hopkins chairman, D. R. Wintermann, Ernest Lawrence and former Commissioner Crockett Leyendecker spent all day Friday on a "walk through" of the Colorado County courthouse to check on the restoration program.

County Judge Lester J. Crane said that the group noted a number of minor deficiencies (mostly in painting and staining) and it is anticipated that when these are completed to the satisfaction of the group (expected in about two weeks) the final acceptance of the project is expected.

"The contractor is shooting for final completion before Easter," stated Judge Crane.

CTA Scholarship Bake Sale Sat.

The Rice Classroom Teachers will sponsor a bake sale this Saturday, April 4. Proceeds from the bake sale will provide a scholarship for a senior student at Rice High School.

Sales will be held in the communities of Eagle Lake

Polls In Rice School Election Open In Wintermann Library

Light voting is expected in the City of Eagle Lake and Rice Consolidated School District elections to be held this Saturday, April 4th since little interest has been shown in the elections to date.

Qualified voters in the City of Eagle Lake will go to the polls from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. Saturday in the council room of the Municipal Building to elect three councilmen for two year terms. H. E. Tate will be presiding judge and R. E. McInteer, alternate judge.

City Secretary Lucille Lange reported that only 2 absentee ballots were cast in the election.

The four candidates for the three positions will be listed on the City of Eagle Lake ballot in the following order:

ALVIN W. KOHLEFFEL
MIKE V. DUARTE
RALPH M. TRULY
WILFRED LUEDECKE

Kohleffel, Truly and Duarte are seeking re-election. Luedecke formerly served on the city council for two years.

Kohleffel is a local businessman and rice farmer and has served on the council for twenty years. Truly, local realtor, and Duarte, Postal Service employee, are completing their first two-year terms on the council.

Luedecke is in the contracting and construction business.

No Opposition For School Bd. Two places will be filled in the Rice Consolidated School District election; however there is no opposition listed on the ballot. Incumbent Mrs. Jim (Jane) Clippson Jr. is seeking re-election to Eagle Lake Position 6; and John Engstrom is seeking election to the Garwood Position 7.

Anthony V. Kalina who has held the Garwood position for seven years, chose not to seek re-election.

Engstrom is interested in rice farming in the Garwood community.

Voting will be done in the Rice School District election in three locations, Wintermann Library, Eagle Lake, Sheridan School and Garwood School. The polls will be open from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. Absentee voting ended Tuesday with no ballots cast districtwide.

Omi Kincheloe will be presiding judge at the Sheridan polling place; Mrs. Joe Mendell at Garwood; and Mrs. Dorothy Jones in Eagle Lake.

Garwood Water Dist. To Elect 3 Directors Sat.

The Colorado County Water Control and Improvement Dist. No. 2 at Garwood will hold an election on Saturday to name three directors to the district's board. The three incumbents, Janie Kristynik, E. T. Rohwer and Delmar Krenke, have filed for re-election and will be unopposed on the ballot.

Voting will be done in the water district's office.

and Sheridan. In Eagle Lake, the sale will be held in front of the Rice Drug Store at 9:00 a.m. In Sheridan, the sale will be held at the Post Office at 9:00 a.m. Garwood teachers will join with the teachers of Eagle Lake in the sale of their baked goods.

Construction Projects In City

Construction is underway on seven homes, several additions and at least two other major constructions are due to begin soon.

Work will begin soon on the extensive addition to the Eula and David Wintermann Library. Foundation work has been completed for the construction of a new combination concession stand, restroom, and press box facility at the Eagle Lake Little League Field.

Rick and Debbie Christ recently moved into their new home on Partridge Lane in the Ridgelea Addition. Kollmann Construction of Columbus completed the new home.

Another recent completion was the new fertilizer blending plant for Wintermann and Company off Beaks Avenue in the Rice Mill area.

Building permits have been issued by the City of Eagle Lake for the construction of seven new homes as follows:

John Contreras on Schley Street by Jim Walters Co.; Jerry Pustejovsky in the Ridgelea Addition by Bennie

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Blood Drive For Henderson Here Today, Wednesday

A unit from the Blood Bank in Houston is at the Community Center today, Wednesday, until 9 p.m. to take blood to aid Joe Henderson, a pilot for Lissie Flying Service, Inc. who was severely burned in a mid-air crash with another plane near Lissie Mar. 21.

If you would like to support this cause, report to the Community Center today (Wednesday) before 9 p.m.

Michele Sibley

scholarship; second prize, a \$2,000 scholarship; and third prize, a \$1,000 scholarship. Additional awards will go to

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