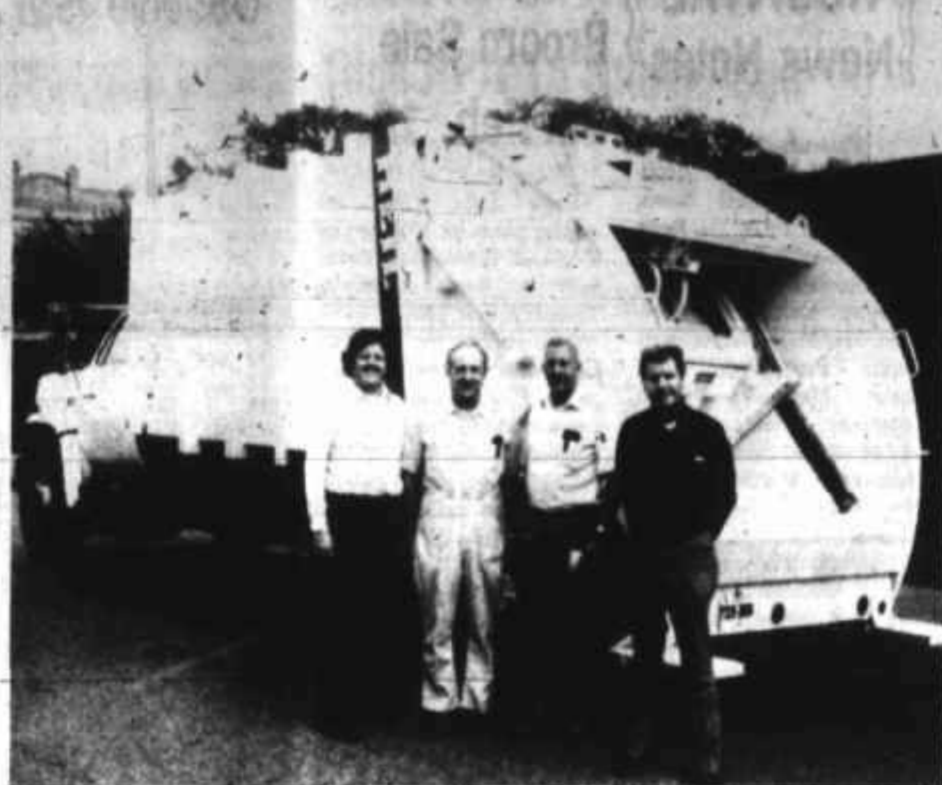


New Garbage Truck Arrives In Eagle Lake



The City of Eagle Lake upgraded its Sanitation Dept. on Friday of last week when it put in to use a new garbage truck. Purchase of the new vehicle was actually approved on October 13 with the truck chassis from W. A. Vreese & Sons, Inc. of Eagle Lake, costing \$222,000.50 and the hard truck packing unit, from Davis Trucking and Equipment Co. of Houston, costing \$12,900. On hand to inspect the new unit upon delivery last Friday were, pictured left to right, city manager Robert Klockman, Mayor Elmer Struss, councilman Eugene Baker and Fred Wilson, a representative of the Davis firm. The new unit, which was put into use immediately, is expected to not only provide an additional truck for garbage collection but also provide practical, easier and more efficient service, according to city officials.

February, there have been six fatalities in this county. This compares with sixteen for the entire year of 1981.

Tuesday was the traditional "Ground Hog" day and the national official ground hog in Punxsutawney, Pa. reportedly saw his shadow which means that six more weeks of winter weather can be expected. One thing for sure, he would have seen his shadow in Eagle Lake where there was brief sunshine despite the fact that light rain fell throughout most of the day ahead of an anticipated cold front which is expected to drop the temperature to the 20's for near freezing once again. Five fire departments in the area have been kept quite busy during the past month with grass, house, car and truck fires. These volunteers continue to do an outstanding service to the community and are ready to answer your call any time of the day or night and they certainly deserve any words of praise that may be offered to them. Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Willard Ethridge of Weslaco on the momentous occasion of their Golden 50th Wedding Anniversary, January 26. Mr. Ethridge is a former teacher, principal and superintendent in the Eagle Lake schools. They both played an active part in the community while residing here. Mr. and Mrs. Hugh D. Sheridan have purchased the former T. Lang home at 408 Clark St. and have made the move here from Houston. Friends are pleased to have them back home. Buck Swords returned home during the weekend following heart by pass surgery in Southwest Memorial Hospital in Houston. He will be recuperating for some time before returning to duties at Anderson Memorial Catholic Church in Rockdale. Father Tom has played an active role in church and community activities and his reassignment to Rockdale brings great sadness to his parishioners and friends. The 1982 year has started off on the wrong foot as far as traffic fatalities are concerned. During the month of January and the first day of

GM REBATES Now thru April 1st

Table listing GM rebates for various car models including Chevrolet Chevette, Chevrolet Celebrity, Chevrolet Citation, Chevrolet Cavalier, Oldsmobile Cutlass Ciera, Oldsmobile Omega, Cadillac Cimarron, Cadillac Seville, Chevrolet LUV, Chevrolet S-10, Chevrolet Pick-ups, Chevrolet Blazer, Chevrolet Suburban, and Chevrolet Vans.

Use Rebate As Immediate Payment - Or Get A Check From GM. Special Orders Must Be Delivered By April 1, 1982

Advertisement for Lake Motors, Inc. featuring GM Quality Service/Parts and contact information for 323 S. McCarty, Eagle Lake, Ph. 234-2513.

City's "Bad News"

By the council, but it was noted that the caution light signals were "very expensive" and that the city had paid only about 10 percent of the cost of the crossing at McCarty and Postoffice Streets.

City manager Robert Klockman reported to the council that a couple of problems at utility poles in the city had caused some minor problems but were hoped to be corrected soon. One problem occurred at the city sewer plant where new construction and rehabilitation has been underway since late last year.

County Go-Texan Days Sat., Sun.

Friday Is Deadline To Enter Go-Texan Queens Competition and Pamela Potter. Entrants include Terri Worst of Eagle Lake, Sonja Beach of Weimar, and Kathy Holladay, Kari Barten, Melissa Parks, Randa Fritsch, Dawn Mazac, Cindy Potter, Mary Cryer, Misty Ventura, Emily Anderson, Melissa Hunt, Jill and Julie Ruffeno and Shari Markwood, all of Columbus.

3 City Officials To Be Elected On April 3

Voters in the City of Eagle Lake will elect a mayor and two aldermen in the city election to be held in the council room of the Municipal Building on Sat., April 3. Mayor Elmer Struss filed Monday for re-election to his seventh two-year term in office.

Late Filings

In Precinct 5, and Dennis Poppe, J.P. in Precinct 3, and Francis Truchard in J.P. Precinct 6, and Dittman Harrison, J.P. in Precinct 7. Earlier J.P.s Richard C. Schmidt in Precinct 2, and W. A. Heffer in Precinct 2, and M. M. Jones in Precinct 2 had filed.

Rice CISD To Elect 2 Board Members Apr. 3

Rice Consolidated School District board of education will meet in regular session next Monday night and is expected, among other business, to call an election for Saturday, April 3 when two members will be named to the board for three-year terms.

Burglaries

Wishnuh of a Columbus who was conducting a Tupperware party at residence at 1210 Ranzer Monday night. The money was taken from the bag inside the house sometime during the party.

Entries Made At Two Homes In County

Colorado County Sheriff's Department officers are investigating the entries of two residences in the county last week.

Black History Month Program Here Feb. 20, 27

The Bay City Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., a public service sorority, is sponsoring two programs here in honor of Black Awareness.

Hospital Bd. Accepts \$521,137 'Negotiated' Bid For Addition

The Eagle Lake Community Hospital board of directors and medical staff met for a called session last Thursday, February 4th at 2 p.m. to accept a bid for the new addition to the hospital's present facility.

Houstonian Charged In Murder In County

A 29-year-old Black Houston man was charged in this county with the capital murder of a 39-year-old black woman on F.M. 949 about two miles from Bernardo last Thursday, Feb. 4th.

6 Rice CISD Administrators Re-Elected

Contracts for principals at the five schools in the Rice Consolidated School District and Assistant Superintendent Charles DeShazo were renewed and extended for an additional year through June 30, 1984 at the meeting of the board Monday night.

Arson Suspected In Cafe Fire On A St. Sun.

Eagle Lake police and fire department officials investigated a possible case of arson in a fire in the ceiling of Lou Flores Cafe at 612 East A Street last Sunday night.

Ethel Konvicka Hosts B'day Party For Two Sisters At Circle K Sun.

Mrs. Ethel Konvicka hosted a noon luncheon at her Circle K ranch house Sunday, January 31st honoring family members and celebrating birthday anniversaries of two of her sisters, Mrs. Lillian Schaefer of Galveston and Mrs. Gloria Riebart of Smithville.

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Middle School, Tex. Fried Chicken Hit By Burglars

Two more burglaries, both believed to have been done by juveniles, are being investigated by Eagle Lake police this week. The two burglaries bring to eleven the number of burglaries here in the past three weeks.

3 To Be Elected In Rice CISD

The board of education of the Rice Consolidated School District, in session Monday night, officially called an election for the purpose of naming three trustees to the board for three-year terms on Saturday, April 3rd.

Revival At Methodist Ch. Begins Sunday

Revival services will be held at the Eagle Lake United Methodist Church Sunday, Feb. 14th through Wednesday, Feb. 17th.

Rice Production Seminar Here Friday

In a special meeting at 10 a.m. Feb. 2nd the council opened only one bid for raising of rice for the 1982 season.

United Buyers Fund Purchases FFA Calves, Hogs

Persons who would like to contribute to the United Buyers Fund for the Rice FFA Sale Saturday should contact Bill Carpenter at Rice High School, call 234-3535 from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. or can contact Carpenter at the sale Saturday.

Rice FFA Show And Sale At Rice H.S. Sat.

Citizens from throughout the area are invited to participate in the activities of the Rice High School Future Farmers of America chapter's annual Market Call and Swine Show and Sale to be held Saturday, Feb. 13th.

City OK's Utility Construction Payment, Rice Lease Bid

Eagle Lake City Council in regular session Tuesday night approved a final payment of \$5,196.00 for construction of water and sewer utility lines to the Kenneth Austin Subdivision on the southern edge of the city, but withheld any payment due to the engineer for the project.

Van Nort Files For Re-election To City Council

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Important Rice Meet At RHS This Wed.

A program which may help in turning around the economically troubled situation for rice farmers in the area: Econo-Rice (Economic Rice Production) will be explained at a public meeting to be held in the Rice High School which is in west of Altair at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 10th.

Also Special Program For Ladies 1:30-3:30

By Leroy J. Hajdik, County Extension Agent: Colorado County rice producers are invited to attend the annual rice production seminar to be held this Friday, Feb. 12th at 1:30 p.m. in the Eagle Lake Community Center.

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Lissie Methodist Church Sets Revival Feb. 14-16

A Revival at Lissie United Methodist Church in Lissie will begin this Sunday, Feb. 14th at 7:00 p.m. and continue through Tuesday, Feb. 16th.

Rev. Roger Shuemate To Be Guest Minister

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