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Homemakers' Reflections

By Donella Pantel, County Extension Agent

Older Texans Save Energy For Health

(Second in series of three)

Older adults, even if your home is mortgage free, it may be a "robber baron" home, stealing and wasting energy – a problem you can solve by finding energy leaks and fixing them. First, be an "energy detective" and find the air leaks. "Robber baron" homes were built when energy costs were low, and energy efficiency was rarely considered. These houses are not "energy savers." They can "rob" savings and "break into" basic living expenses needed to maintain good health. Few older homes and apartments have enough insulation, storm windows or doors. Few have weather-stripping and caulking to stop air leaks.

Use Energy Checklist

To determine if your home is a "robber baron" home, take an "energy-saving" look around. Evaluate your home with this energy checklist:

1. Check for drafts around windows and doors by blowing air at inside cracks with a hair dryer. Have someone stand on the other side to feel if the air is escaping.

2. Check for drafts where pipes go through floors, walls and ceilings.

3. Check attic ceilings for air leaks. They cause drafts around the attic door.

4. Check to see if windows fog with water or frost. Such fog indicates heat loss.

Remember, windows can be big energy thieves costing many energy dollars and stealing much warmth from the home.

Ask For Agency Help

A number of local agencies may be able to help with the home evaluation. They include: the area Agency on Aging, the County Extension Office, the County Community Action Energy Office and your local utility company.

Some of these offices can provide "how to" publications that show how to remedy energy problems.

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Rice Is Versatile Program To Be Given Here Friday

[By Donella Pantel, County Extension Agent]

"Rice Is Versatile and Economical" will be presented in conjunction with the Rice Production Seminar scheduled this Friday, Feb. 12th from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. at the Eagle Lake Community Center. The program will feature a film on U.S. rice and a demonstration in rice cookery techniques.

Kristen O'Brien

Speaker for the program will be Kristen O'Brien, home economist and spokeswoman for the Rice Council for Market Development. She travels throughout the United States communicating the story of U.S. grown rice.

Before joining the staff of the Rice Council she was on the food editorial staff of a major national magazine. A 1976 graduate of Michigan State University, she received her B.S. degree from the College of Human Ecology in Foods.

Ms. O'Brien draws from her background in foods in her work with radio, television and newspaper professionals to convey the importance of versatile, economical rice. In addition to conducting food demonstrations and cooking schools, she is prepared to discuss nutrition information and consumer tips on the various types and forms of rice.

Ms. O'Brien is a member of the American Home Economics Association and Home Economists in Business. A native of New York State, she now resides in Houston.

The free program is sponsored by the Colorado County Rice Production Sub-Committee with the Colorado County Extension Service and is open to all interested persons regardless of socio-economic levels, race, color, sex, religion or national origin.

Ministers To Sponsor Blood Drive Feb. 20

"Would you give the gift of life if you could? Well, you can!"

The Eagle Lake Ministerial Alliance plans to sponsor a blood drive in cooperation with the Gulf Coast Regional Blood Center. The center will be set up Saturday, Feb. 20, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Christ Episcopal Church in Eagle Lake.

"The Eagle Lake Community Hospital uses over 500 units of blood from the Blood Center annually," noted sponsors of the event.

If you feel you would like to give a unit of blood, you may sign up at any church either in person or by calling the church office. If you have any questions, call your church office and they will be happy to answer them.

If you are in good health, you probably can be a blood donor. You must be between the ages of 18 (17 with signed parental consent card) and 65 and weigh at least 110 pounds. You must never have had a history of hepatitis or yellow jaundice, internal cancer requiring surgery or coronary artery (heart) disease.

Garden Club Has Reports On Horticulture

The Eagle Lake Garden Club met in the home of Mrs. Jacob Zoeller on January 27, at 2:30 p.m. During the business session, plans for the clubs February projects were made.

An outstanding report on tree planting, fruit trees and berries adapted to this area, garlic "the Lingering Lily" and hummingbirds was made by the horticulture chairman, Mrs. Zoeller.

Channel 8 in Houston will run six series on tree planting, vegetable planting and house plants beginning on Thursday, Feb. 18 at 7:30 p.m. - two per week. These weekly programs will be repeated each following Saturday at 12:30 p.m.

Garlic has been in use for centuries, more for medical purposes than for seasoning, in the past. It is still used medically, some vitamins contain it. Insects which attack your flowers and vegetables will be forestalled if you plant garlic near them. This bulb should be separated into claws, and planted with the "toe" down. Late September is planting time. Space the garlic three inches apart, keep the plants well watered, and fertilize four or five times.

Hummingbirds migrate into our area before cold weather begins. They are especially attracted to the shrimp plant, which survives until a big freeze. Place feeders in the yard, and hopefully, if feed is kept in them, these beautiful, gaudy little birds will remain.

Following the close of the meeting, the hostess served refreshments to the members and one guest, Mrs. Lloyd Tate.-Reporter.

E.L. Lions Mop, Broom Sale Set Feb. 18

Eagle Lake Lions are making plans for their annual Mop and Broom Sale to be held in Eagle Lake on Thursday, Feb. 18th.

On that date the van from Lighthouse for the Blind will be in Eagle Lake to offer items made by the blind and handicapped persons.

The Lions invite all citizens to note the date and begin preparing lists of items to be offered for sale. More information is published in an advertisement on page 13 of this issue.

The Lions' share of the proceeds are used for the purchase of glasses for needy persons in the community and for other community projects.

Order Stamps By Mail

If you need stamps but cannot afford to wait in line to buy them, you can order stamps by mail.

Simply ask the clerk at the service counter for Form 3227. They are available at every postal facility in the Houston area.

The minimum order is $4.00 for a book of 20 stamps. You may also buy postal cards, rolls of 100 and 500 stamps, stamped envelopes (short and long) and the commemorative stamp of your choice. There is an order fee of 40 cents, a small price to pay to avoid spending gasoline and time to buy stamps in person.

Make your check or money order payable to "Postmaster" for the total cost of your order. Do not send cash. Your order will be delivered to you within three days.

3 New Plant Selections OK'd By SCS

Three new plant selections have been released by the USDA Soil Conservation Service and cooperating agencies.

Connie M. Fair, district conservationist for SCS at Columbus said the new releases are 'T-587' old world bluestem, 'Rainbow' wild plum, and 'Yellow Puff' littleleaf leadtree.

"The old world bluestem release is actually a mixture of 80 similar grasses collected several years ago in the Near East," Fair said. "After 140 field evaluations in more than 100 counties, the mixture has been released to seed growers by SCS in cooperation with the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station."

Fair said the old world bluestem release appears to be adapted south of a line from Cochran County to Bowie County where rainfall averages 14 inches to 40 inches annually.

Old world bluestem is palatable, a high forage producer, and very persistent under heavy grazing pressure.

'Rainbow' wild plum is a composite of four collections that were selected and composited at the SCS plant materials center at Knox City.

Fair said the long maturing dates allow fruit to be available for wildlife for about five months.

'Yellow Puff' littleleaf leadtree was selected and released for use in range, wildlife, and ornamental plantings. It is a composite of five native collections from Junction, Bonora, and Leakey. The leguminous shrub, or small tree, has beautiful golden flowers and is readily browsed by wildlife.

Fair said Yellow Puff is adapted to well-drained soils in the Trans-Pecos and Edwards Plateau Major Land Resource Areas.

A limited amount of seed will be distributed by the Abilene State School as well as the SCS plant materials center at Knox City to commercial nurserymen and to other federal agencies for seed production purposes.

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Ski In Colorado

Dr. and Mrs. Ray Thomas and children, Dr. and Mrs. Russell Thomas of Sugar Land, Mr. and Mrs. Griff Thomas, Kurt Thomas and Miss Julia Thomas of Houston spent a winter wonderland vacation skiing in Winter Park, Colorado Saturday, January 23rd through the 27th. They report having a wonderful time.

Visit Parents Here

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Henske and children, Kevin and Tanya, of Aqua Dulce were in Eagle Lake this past weekend to visit their parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Breithaupt and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Henske, and other relatives.

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★ Commrs'. Court Has Busy Session

Amb. Corps Malpractice Insurance Costs $499 Year

W. M. Thomas, Jr. Insurance Agency of Eagle Lake was awarded a contract Monday by Colorado County Commissioners' Court to provide malpractice insurance for the ambulance men in the four units in this county at a cost of $499.00.

The court opened two bids for the $100,000-$300,000 coverage (including loading and unloading of patients) in the session Monday. Columbus Insurance Agency offered to provide the coverage for $1,323.05 and the court accepted Thomas' bid of $499 (same as for coverage during the past year).

In other action the court:

• Set the pay scale for part-time help in the office of Justice of the Peace Richard Schmidt in Columbus at $4.25 per hour;

To Set Load Limit

• Voted to publish notice that a 20-ton gross load limit will be placed on streets in and near the Hajovsky Subdivision near FM 2434 in Glidden. The streets are Olive Branch, Taylor, Clayborne, Norway, Thelma and Henry streets. Hearing on the proposal was set for the March 8th session.

• The court took notice of a petition requesting that Schultz Road, an access road to Reese Lane in Commissioner Jerome Wickel's precinct, be changed to Bolden Road, but no action was taken since the commissioner said he saw no reason to change the name of the road.

• The court authorized final payment to San Bernard Electric Coop for moving utility lines along the Highway 71 by-pass west of Columbus. Cost of the project was $47,799.02 and the county will pay that amount however the State of Texas will reimburse the county for 90% of the costs or $43,019.12.

Navidad Flood Sheds

The court approved a request from the Lavaca-Navidad River Authority to place two 4x4x8' sheds to house stream gauges and radio equipment in county road right of way. The Authority plans to place eight of the gauges along the Navidad river watershed in order to control the level of Lake Texana near Edna and prevent excessive flooding. The sheds will contain radio equipment to measure rainfall and forward this information by radio to the Authority so that the level of the lake can be controlled. One of the sheds will be placed in right of way on County Road 106 in Precinct 1 in the Pin Oak Creek area and the other on County Road 230 in Precinct 2 in the East Sandies area. The contract called for the Authority to assume liability and to relocate the sheds at its costs if the roads are changed or widened.

Extension Administrator

• The court took recognition of the fact that County Extension Agent Leroy J. Hajdik has been appointed the County Administrator for the Extension Service in this county. The announcement by Mrs. Frederica E. Seaman, district Extension director, noted that Hajdik will have the responsibility of being the contact person for Extension personnel in this county and will represent the service in discussions with the court and at budget time.

Six Bingo Applications

As required by legislation which legalizes bingo games by charitable organizations, the court took recognition of six applications for bingo licenses from local groups to the State Comptroller's Office. Applications entered into the record were for: Veterans Memorial Park, Weimar; Knights of Columbus Council 2153, Weimar; St. Joseph's and St. Ann's Society, Weimar; Veterans Community Center, Columbus; Rice Area Methorial Post 8783, Veterans of Foreign Wars, Eagle Lake; and St. Anthony's Parents and Teachers Club, Columbus.

To Ask Bids

The court authorized notices to bidders for the purchase of a motor grader, a tractor and a slope mower for Jerome Wickel's Precinct 3. Bids will be taken with and without trade-in of a Model 12 Caterpillar grader, and will be opened at the March 8th session.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Flippen and Harry Townsend of the Sheridan area met with the court, although not on the agenda, to discuss with Precinct 1 Commissioner Otto Loessin work that is to be done on a county road in the Sheridan area. Flippen pointed out that Lavaca county plans to develop a half mile road in that county to a 248 acre tract of land which is "landlocked" and without access. Commissioner Loessin pointed out that Lloyd Criswell has a fence in the roadway which was recently surveyed and needs to be moved before work can begin on improving the road through Sandies Creek. He indicated that Criswell will be contacted about the matter and indicated that work will commence as soon as weather permits.

★ Patient Transfers ★

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high tribute to the employers over the county who allow their employees to take time off to answer calls. "I am, and have been, particularly pleased with the attitude of employers. . .and they need to be commended and recognized." The judge added further that this county's volunteer ambulance service has been the "success story" over the entire state and that he has testified at state and national meetings on the outstanding volunteer service offered at great savings to the county as compared to hiring of private businesses to carry out the emergency and non-emergency services.

"I know that we can work this out, but we need to have some direction" and he said that he is surveying other counties in the area to determine how they are handling the non-emergency transfers.

Precinct 4 Commissioner Bill Stiles, a veteran volunteer in the Eagle Lake corps, suggested that two groups might be organized, one to handle emergencies and another strictly for non-emergency transfers. Cowart and Braden indicated that they doubted that their unit would gain any more than two volunteers, if any. Stiles also suggested increasing the money returned to the volunteers, but it was generally agreed by Stiles and all others present that money was not really the problem.

Day said in his letter that he is receiving a $40 base rate plus $1.25 per mile for calls he makes.

Braden and Cowart pointed out that Henneke is handling 350 transfers annually and Day another 150 and the addition of 500 calls to those already answered (261 emergencies) by Columbus personnel would probably mean the end of the service in the Columbus area. They added that their unit is called on many times to stand by during the absence of the Eagle Lake and Weimar ambulances while on non-emergency transfers out of the county.

New Service Proposed

Braden proposed to establish a service to furnish the non-emergency transfers. He estimated costs of a van at around $13,000 to $14,000 and an additional $2000 or so for equipment deemed necessary by physicians of the area.

His service, he said, would be available seven days a week around the clock, and manned with trained personnel.

He said that he would provide the service only with the county's guarantee of the fees and that the county would continue to be responsible for billing and collection. Braden stressed that if the county enters into a guarantee agreement with anyone it should have some assurance that the units to be used were properly equipped and operated by qualified personnel.

Judge Cranek called the session a "fruitful one" but noted that this is a pressing problem "that will not go away if we ignore it."

Plans are to make some determination on the action the county will follow at the Feb. 22nd meeting.

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3 Routes Studied For Imp. Fire Ant Control

Commr. Court To Adopt Plan Most Feasible Feb. 22nd

Colorado County Commissioners' Court expects to decide at the Feb. 22nd meeting on the route to follow in the Imported Fire Ant Control program to be sponsored on a cooperative program between the landowner, the county, the Texas Department of Agriculture and the U. S. Department of Agriculture.

The court, in session Monday, discussed three proposed routes to follow under the program and indicated that the one using Amdro in a ground application or distribution program probably would be most acceptable and most effective in this county.

County Judge Lester J. Cranek and some of the commissioners are expected to attend Fire Ant Control meeting (the public is invited) to be held in the Fort Bend County Courthouse in Richmond at 10 a.m. this Friday and receive more information on proposed eradication and control programs in Texas.

Ground Distribution Route

Under the route which appears to be most favored by the County Commissioners' Court, the county or its fire ant control committee would collect $1.00 per pound (in advance) from the landowners desiring to participate. The county would receive the Amdro and distribute it. The $1.00 per pound is based however "on the assumption that the federal government has money to pay 50% of the program cost." If federal funds are not available, it is anticipated that the cost to the landowners would be increased. The county has the option of paying for the $1.00 per pound cost of the program or to pass on the cost to the participating landowners. Judge Cranek noted Monday that the landowners will probably have to pay for the Amdro in advance since the county does not have the funds to carry out such a program in its 1982 budget.

Other requirements for the program call for the county to keep all records and to provide these forms to the State on a monthly basis.

Orders for the Amdro must be placed with the USDA office in Brenham prior to March 1, 1982. Requests received after that date will be prorated depending on the amount of state and federal funds available.

The Amdro bait will be packaged in one and twenty-five pound bags.

Aerial Application Plan

An alternative plan is for aerial application of the Amdro at a cost of $1.00 per acre to the landowners. This is based also on the assumption that 50% federal funding will be available, if not, the cost goes up.

The drawback in this plan however is that all acres must be blocked into areas not smaller than 10,000 acres. Judge Cranek noted that since the Amdro cannot be applied on croplands, it would be very difficult to get 10,000 acres blocked in this county.

The third alternative considered by the court calls for the distribution of MC-96, a liquid, applied directly to the mound area. Cost of the MC-96 would be $2.50 per quart, also based on the assumption that federal funds are available to pay for 50% of the program cost. The MC-96 would be made available in one-quart cans.

Further information will be sought by the court on the effectiveness of the MC-96 product, a relatively new control for fire ants.

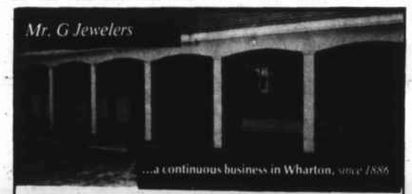
Effective Only 6 Months

Precinct 4 Commissioner Bill Stiles stated during the discussion Monday that the effectiveness of Amdro is limited to six months and the applications would have to be repeated in order to add further control of the imported fire ant.

Judge Cranek pointed out that the fire ants had appeared to die out in some areas of the county where they were most abundant, but said that another generation of ants has increased greatly the incidence of the ants, especially in the south and eastern parts of the county.

Interested landowners are invited to comment on the three alternatives to their respective county commissioner or to the county judge or attend the meeting planned for Monday, Feb. 22nd.

Since the March 1st deadline would be only a week away, prompt action by the landowners in signing up would be essential in whichever alternative is adopted, added Judge Cranek.



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Sheriff Jim Broussard
reports to the Voters of Colorado County

I would like to take this opportunity to advise our citizens of the manner in which I have deputies in various areas of the county. First of all, I reside in the County Seat so I can be available to the office at all times. I also have residing in the County Seat, Deputies "Sarge" LaCourse, David Lowrey and Keith Riehs. Other full-time deputies are Carol Supak, Eagle Lake; Bufford Ashley, Sheridan; Richard LaCourse, Rock Island; Curlie Wied, Nada; and Jack Reed (possibly moving to the Bernardo area);

Dispatchers are Al Behrens, Columbus; Gladys McCaleb, Columbus; and Diane Baker, Rock Island;

Special Deputies are Dick Klimple, Speaksville Road; Oscar Brandt, Weimar; Alvin Cernoch, Weimar; Bill Esterling, Rock Island; "Butch" Strunk, Oakland; George Hoppe, Frelsburg; Johnnie Mathis, Eagle Lake; and Reserve Deputy Bob Heinrich, Hattermann Lane.

Two more deputies are to be employed and I will make every effort to place them within the county where they will best serve us.

I am also assisting in training Donnie Templeton of Columbus and Lonnie Hinze of Weimar. These two trainees work with other deputies on weekends. These special deputies are officers that hold down regular jobs and assist us when possible for very little compensation. These officers are scattered over the entire county to save time and money in responding to a call which may be in their particular area.

The Sheriff's Department works real close and in harmony with all other law enforcement agencies in the county. The working relation with other law enforcement agencies is that these officers assist the Sheriff's Department without having to be asked to do so. I am proud to be a part of law enforcement in Colorado County and ask that you retain me as your Sheriff so we can keep working together and improving the quality of protection to you.

(Pol. adv. paid by Sheriff Jim Broussard, Columbus, Texas 78934)