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7th Traffic Fatality In County Tues.

A 24-year-old Columbus man became this county's seventh traffic fatality early Tuesday morning in a one-vehicle accident on Highway 71 1.7 miles west of Columbus. The accident reportedly occurred at 3:25 a.m. and involved a 1978 Corvette driven by Montie Wayne Holladay, 21, of Columbus and with Carl Edward Brown, 24, of Columbus, a passenger in the car.

According to the investigating officer Trooper Gary Eden, the vehicle was headed west on Highway 71 when it went off the left side of the roadway jumped a ditch and hit the southwest wing of a water box and then jumped another ditch and hit a fence.

Brown was declared dead at the scene at 4:05 a.m. by Justice of the Peace Mary Ordner of J.P. Precinct 5. Holladay was taken to the Columbus Hospital with multiple head and body injuries and bruises. He was Life-flighted later Tuesday morning to Hermann Hospital in Houston. He was reported in stable condition.

Brown's body was taken to the Henneke Funeral Home in Columbus.

The two men were reported to be oilfield workers.

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Primary School Title I Parents To Meet Thurs.

Parents of Eagle Lake Primary School Title I children are requested to meet at the Primary School Teachers' Lounge at 6:30 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 11th to elect officers and plan for the 1982-83 school year.

Title I children are defined as pupils being educationally and/or economically deprived according to state guidelines.

The meeting should be about thirty minutes in duration, said Principal Major Benge.

Free Immunization Clinic At Ugarte Clinic Thursday

The Free Immunization Clinic sponsored by the Texas Department of Health will be held this Thurs., Feb. 11th from 1 to 4 p.m. at the Ugarte Clinic in Eagle Lake.

Immunizations for Diphtheria, Tetanus, Pertussis (DTP), Polio, Measles, Mumps and Rubella will be given to infants, pre-schoolers, and school-age children. Tetanus and/or Diphtheria will be given to adults.

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Receive High Scouting Awards

Recipients of the prestigious Brahman District Merit Award are shown, left to right: Edward Sunderman of Eagle Lake, Mrs. Kay Doerfler of Wharton and Mrs. Mary McAlister of Weimar. The awards were presented at a recent Boy Scouts of America, Brahman District, Appreciation Dinner.

Edward Sunderman Receives Boy Scouting's Merit Award

At a recent District Appreciation Dinner of Boy Scouts of America, Brahman District, three persons received the prestigious District Merit Award. They included: Edward Sunderman of Eagle Lake, Mrs. Kay Doerfler of Wharton and Mrs. Mary McAlister of Weimar for their outstanding leadership in Boy Scouts, Cub Scouting and other meritorious participation in the scouting program.

Sunderman began his scouting career as a youngster, when his father, the late Leslie R. Sunderman, and F. M. (Tucker) Dromgoole were the local scout leaders. He has continued to be active in Boy Scouting most of the time since. He currently is serving as Assistant Scoutmaster for Troop 334 and as Colorado County's Assistant District Commissioner. He also is serving on a committee to help Troop 334 in financing and building a new scout facility in Eagle Lake.

Sunderman has also been an active member of the Eagle Lake Fire Department and is currently serving as a captain in that organization. He is a credit to our community and thanks are extended for a job well done.

Rice H.S. Class of 1972 Reunion Planning Session This Thurs.

The Rice High School graduating Class of 1972 is planning its 10-year reunion and a planning session will be held this Thursday at 7:30 p.m. at the Municipal Building in Eagle Lake.

Any class member interested in planning the event is urged to attend this meeting to help determine the date and place and the activities to be scheduled.

A preliminary meeting was held last week in Houston and another is scheduled for next week, so class members are urged to be on hand at Thursday's meeting to help in planning the event.

"A suggested time for the reunion is late April, so start making plans to attend," said class officers. "If you aren't living in the area please contact us so we will have your correct address."

Public Invited To FFA Trail Ride 8 A.M. Saturday

Starting At Myrtle Cemetery, Near R. Is.

Roy Dean Van Nort, trail boss for the 1982 Rice High School FFA Trail Ride to be held this Saturday, Feb. 13th as part of the annual FFA Show and Sale, invites riders in the area to take part in the ride.

Van Nort represents the Eagle Lake Lions Club, one of the sponsors of the annual event. He says that the ride will originate this year at Myrtle Cemetery on Farm to Market Road 1693 southeast of Rock Island. The ride will proceed to Rock Island and then east on Highway 90A to Rice High School just west of Altair. The ride will depart at 8 a.m. sharp and will arrive at the Rice show barn around 11:30 a.m.

Sweetheart Competition

Young ladies who will be competing for the honor of being named trail ride sweetheart must ride in the trail ride and may register at the emergency vehicle prior to beginning the ride.

The trail boss urges all citizens to observe all safety precautions and especially not to ride slowly on the highway and visit with the riders along the trail route.

"We urge that you do not hinder traffic or cause an unsafe condition in any way with the riders along the route," said the trail boss.

FFA Sale At 1:30 Sat.; BBQ At Noon

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Lake Chamber of Commerce will present trophies to the winners. Ribbons, rosettes and banners provided by the Sammy Tise family and cash prizes donated by the Lions Clubs will be presented.

Bidding for the resale of hogs and calves will precede the sale in order that buyers might have information on what their purchases will bring on resale if they decide to resell the animals at the end of the sale.

Billy Bode of the El Campo Livestock Commission will handle the auction; George Hagan, manager of the Columbus Livestock Commission, will be the starter for the sale.

Outstanding Entries

Rice FFA chapter advisors, Troy Krenek, Ronel Roberts and Willie Fitzgerald, report that there are some fine entries in this year's show. They have spent much time in assisting the FFA members and Lions in making arrangements for the show and sale. The number of calves and hogs has been reduced in order to take off some of the pressure on buyers, say the advisors.

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Rice CISD

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Sheridan schools and in the Community Center in Eagle Lake.

Keep Vehicles On Tax Roll

In other action Monday night, the Rice CISD board voted to keep vehicles on the tax rolls for the 1982 year. Under state tax laws, this action is required annually.

Brisco and Hefner commented that levies on vehicles are the only taxes some people in the district pay. Appelt said that though this might be true, taxes on vehicles are the ones most likely to appear on the delinquent rolls and "this places an - even heavier burden on conscientious taxpayers who render their properties and pay taxes on time." Nevertheless the motion to continue vehicles on the 1982 tax roll passed unanimously.

Other business at the session was of routine nature. Supt. Harold King did comment during a review of the district's finances that tax collections have been very good and this has enabled the district to place funds budgeted but not needed at this time into certicates of deposit. He estimated that this will result in some $20,000 to $30,000 more revenue in the form of interest from the CD's than was budgeted for the 1981-82 year. The district received a total of $959,662.50 in local tax payments during the month of January, upping tax payments up to Jan. 31 to $1,409,059.11 of an anticipated total of $1,770,412.

Other revenue in January, increased local receipts to $1,004,894.64 while State revenue for the month totaled $147,489.58, for a total revenue in January of $1,152,384.20.

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Lissie Revival Begins Sun.

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occasions.

He is a native of Cameron and graduated from Sam Houston State University with the Bachelor of Arts degree and from Southern Methodist University's Perkins School of Theology with the Master of Theology degree. He is now completing his work for the Doctor of Ministry degree with McCormick Theological Seminary in Chicago.

Mr. Shuemate witnesses through the media of music and preaching in retreats, conferences, preaching missions, and revivals. He is married and has six children.

Prayer Vigil Saturday

Rev. Couvillion invites all persons to bring a covered dish and to enjoy the Church-Wide Fellowship Supper on Sunday evening, beginning at 6:00 p.m. preceding the Revival which begins at 7:00 p.m. that evening on Feb. 14th. In preparation for this Revival, a Prayer Vigil is being observed from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. on Saturday, Feb. 13th.

All members of the community and Lissie Methodist Church are invited to participate in the Prayer Vigil on Saturday and the Sunday Fellowship Meal and Revival. For information call 234-2112 or 234-3432.

Dr. Paul L. Morell

Meth. Revival

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acquainted with the evangelist. Monday through Wednesday, Feb. 15-17, the following schedule will be observed each day: Men's Breakfast at 7:00 a.m.; Ladies Luncheon Bible Study, 12 noon; and Evening Preaching Services at 7:30 p.m.

Chairpersons are Ralph Truly, for the men's breakfast and Lutila Salas for the ladies' luncheon. Marge Wiese is Evangelism Chairman.

Everyone is invited to attend these services, said the pastor, The Rev. Charles Runk.

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Murder

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Houston and made him get in the trunk of the cab and they were going to take the vehicle. When the taxi driver got in the trunk, he still had the car keys in his possession and the suspect and Ford reportedly walked away when they found they had no keys to start the vehicle with.

Abduct Woman In Houston

According to information received by the sheriff's officers, the two persons then walked to an apartment complex in Houston where Evelyn was arriving from work. She was abducted by the suspect and Ford, and placed in the trunk of her vehicle blindfolded. They drove around for some time, and ended up at around daybreak, the morning of February 1st, driving onto FM 949 to a gravel road near an electric booster plant near Bernardo. Evelyn was made to get out of the trunk of the vehicle and lay in a ditch. At that time, the suspect reportedly shot her with what is believed to be a 357 Mag. pistol through the chest area. He then shot her once through the head. The vehicle was driven back to Houston later on that day and burned by the suspect.

After all the information police had received was confirmed, Sheriff Jim Broussard filed Capital Murder charges on Leon Earl Wright, 29 years of age, from Houston. He was arrested in Houston by Texas Ranger Ray Nutt and Houston Homicide Officers around 2:00 p.m., February 5th. He was returned to Colorado County on the Capital Murder charges and is being held in the Colorado County jail without bail.

Assisting the Sheriff's Office with the investigation after the body was found were Texas Ranger Ray Nutt and Weimar Police Chief Ken Hollan.

On February 8th, Wright asked to talk to Sheriff Jim Broussard. He was brought to the Sheriff's Office and made a complete confession of the incident to Sheriff Broussard and Texas Ranger Nutt. The weapon used has been recovered by police.

Sheriff Broussard said that he has asked that the Grand Jury be re-convened on February 15th and if this is granted, the case will be presented to the Grand Jury at that time.

Three Gates Stolen In Bernardo Area

Colorado County sheriff's deputies investigated Sunday, Feb. 7th the theft of three aluminum gates from homes near Bernardo.

At 9:57 a.m. Sunday, Lester Schindler of Bernardo reported the theft of a 14-ft. by 52-inch gate. The gate was removed by picking it up from the hinges.

It was also learned during this investigation that Alex Jones and Ruben Kveton, all of the same area, were also missing the same type of gates and they had been removed from the hinges in the same manner.

Assisting the sheriff's office with the investigation is Constable Ivan Menke.

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Grand Jury Called Mon. On Murder Case

District Judge E. W. Patteson has recalled the grand jury at 1:30 p.m. next Monday, Feb. 15th to hear the charge of capital murder against Lenn Earl Wright.

Recalled were the same jurors who were on the grand jury in action Feb. 1st including: foreman Alvin Jack Kroll, Charles Glueck, Billy Bob Strunk, Raul R. Flores, Joyce A. Arthur, Helen Pilkington, Mary Ramirez, Ruth Goode, Shirley Hunt, Robert Perkins, James Schoellmann and N. J. Schneider.

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BUZZIN' ABOUT TOWN

• The First National Bank of Eagle Lake and the Post Office will be closed all day next Monday, Feb. 15th for the observance of George Washington's birthday anniversary. Washington's birthday actually comes on Feb. 22nd but will be observed nationally Monday, Feb. 15th.

• The Headlight office staff is still receiving items for the paper after the deadline of Tuesday noon. We wish to remind you again that all news items, notices, and advertisements must be in before the Tuesday noon deadline. We ask your cooperation in getting your news to us as soon as it happens. This contributes to a better newspaper.

• T Lang underwent back surgery in the Methodist Hospital in Houston Tuesday.

For friends who would like to send a note of cheer, you may do so to Room J-1008, Methodist Hospital, Houston, Texas 77030.

Best wishes to T for a complete and speedy recovery.

Returns Home From Hoop.

• Mrs. Joe Luna was able to return home Thursday of last week from a stay in the Diagnostic Hospital in Houston following a heart attack.

Friends are pleased she is doing so nicely and wish her a complete recovery.

•Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Jack Shaver on the occasion of their forty-third anniversary today, Wednesday, Feb. 10th.

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Rice FFA Show & Sale Grand Champions

Ronnie Little, right, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Little Jr., exhibited the grand champion calf, a 1060 pound choice English Breed which sold for $3.00 per pound to Jack Cogbill, Inc. Trucking, represented at the sale by Kenneth Abel. Ronnie is shown receiving a banner and check for $30 from Eagle Lake Noon Lions Club president Ralph Truly. He also received a trophy for the grand champion and also a trophy for best calf showmanship from the Chamber of Commerce in Eagle Lake. At the left, offering congratulations to Ronnie is Kathy Isbee, president of the Rice FFA Chapter. In the background are Troy Krenek, one of the chapter advisors, and auctioneer Bill Bode. For more on the show see pages 12, 13, 14.

Franklin Walker, right, president of the Sheridan Lions Club, is shown with the exhibitors of the grand and reserve champion hogs in the annual Rice FFA Show and Sale held last Saturday. At the left is Albert Tomchesson who had the reserve champion hog, a 223 pound U. S. No. 1 entry which sold to Anderson Manufacturing of Eagle Lake for $3.50 per pound; and in the center is Danny Morales who had the grand champion hog, a 256 pound entry, graded U. S. No. 1, which sold for $3.75 per pound to Tom Henderson Farms of El Campo. Danny also won a banner and a $30 prize and Albert a banner and a $20 prize.

Blood Drive At Episcopal Ch. This Saturday

Sponsored By E.L. Ministerial Alliance

Eagle Lake Ministerial Alliance will sponsor a blood drive in cooperation with the Gulf Coast Regional Blood Center this Saturday, Feb. 20th, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Christ Episcopal Church in Eagle Lake.

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.

Rotary Hot Cake Supper Tues. Night

Eagle Lake Rotarians invite one and all to attend the club's annual "Hot Cake Supper" to be held in the Community Center next Tuesday, Feb. 23rd, Shrove Tuesday or the last Tuesday before the beginning of the Lenten season. Tickets to the event are now on sale with all Rotarians or may be obtained at the door Tuesday night for $2.00. The menu will include delicious pancakes, sausage, butter and syrup.

Entertainment will be provided throughout the serving period in the Community Center. Orders will also be available to go in a quick curb-service line at the rear of the center.

Proceeds from the annual event will go to the club's scholarship fund which is used to send a worthy Rice High School student to Wharton County Junior College under a two-year scholarship program and for other community projects.

Arrests Expected In Local Burglaries

Eagle Lake Chief of Police Earl Winebrenner questioned a juvenile from this city Tuesday and reports that the recent burglary of Carter's Place was solved.

The chief added that more subjects will be questioned on Wednesday of this week and other of a recent rash of burglaries are expected to be solved after the interrogations.

Lions' Mop, Broom Sale This Thursday

Eagle Lake Lions Club will stage its annual Mop and Broom Sale in conjunction with the Lighthouses for the Blind, this Thursday, Feb. 18th from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

In an advertisement on page 6 of this issue you may find a list of the items to be offered for sale. All are made at Lighthouses for the Blind in Texas. The local Lions will receive a portion of the proceeds from the sale for local community projects.

The van from which the sale will be based will be located on the downtown city square in front of the Municipal Building. The Lions will canvass businesses, but will not make house to house calls. They will, however, deliver items to your home if you will call 234-2780, the Chamber of Commerce number, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Mark Anderson, former District Governor for District 28-3, praised the local club for its efforts to help the blind citizens of Texas to help themselves and at the same time to raise funds for the many worthwhile local projects through a community-wide sale of blind-made-products.

Garwood Fire Dept. Annual Ball Saturday

Garwood Volunteer Firemen invite citizens of the area to attend their annual Benefit Ball to be held Saturday, Feb. 20th at the Nada K. J. T. Hall. Proceeds from the event will be used in the purchase of new equipment and operation of the department to better serve the citizens of the Garwood and Nada area.

The dance is the department's major fund-raising event of the year and the firemen hope that you will support their work with attendance and donations to the department.

Jimmy Brosch and the Country Boys will provide music for dancing from 8:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. Admission will be by donation.

You may make table reservations, at 25c per chair, by calling 758-3322.

Primary School Book Fair Set Feb. 22-24

The Eagle Lake Primary School will sponsor a student Book Fair February 22nd through 24th. Students will be able to browse and select books. The Book Fair will be open only during school hours in the new portable building, Room D.

All students, parents, and visitors are invited to attend the Fair. The Book Fair will encourage student interest in reading and in building home libraries, said Principal Major Benge.

The Book Fair display will include attractive new books from many publishers in all popular price ranges. The Educational Reading Service, a professional Book Fair company, furnishes a wide range of books for the display. All reading interests will be represented.

Tom Adams

Tom Adams Announces For Sheriff

Tom Adams announces this week his candidacy for the position of Sheriff of Colorado County in the Democratic Primary election to be held May 1st. His announcement statement follows:

"My name is Tom Adams and I would like to be your sheriff.

"I am forty-five years of age and a native Texan, born at Rosanky, in nearby Bastrop County.

"I attended school in Houston and following graduation went to work for the Southern Pacific Railroad. At the age of twenty-one I applied for and was accepted as a police trainee, and I graduated from the Houston Police Academy on September 1, 1959.

"I was honored by being named 'Rookie of the Year' in 1960, and my assignments as a patrolman included tours of duty in the Accident, Traffic, and Dispatcher's divisions.

"In 1965 I was promoted to Detective and as such worked in the Auto Theft and

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Grand Jury Returns Murder, Manslaughter Indictments

Two Get 90-Day Sentences, Probation; Four Plead Guilty

The February Grand Jury, reconvened by District Judge E. W. Patteson at the request of Sheriff Jim Broussard, returned two indictments in District Court Monday. One was for capital murder against a 29 year old Houston-an who is a suspect in the shooting of an abducted woman in the Bernardo area on February 1st; and an involuntary manslaughter indictment against a Weimar man.

Lenn Earl Wright, also known as Lynn Earl Wright, was indicted for capital murder of Evelyn Richardson, 39, of Houston on FM 949 near Bernardo by shooting her twice with a pistol.

Jose Yeberino Ramirez of Weimar was indicted for involuntary manslaughter as a result of an accident Saturday, January 30th on Highway 90 east of Columbus in which Rita White, 31, of Glidden was killed. Ramirez was driving a Cadillac auto when his vehicle collided with a pickup driven by White's husband Cecil Ray White and she was killed as a result of the accident.

All twelve members of the February grand jury appeared for dity Monday with the exception of Helen Pilkington of Eagle Lake who was excused due to illness.

Two Charges Reduced

District Judge Patteson heard pleas of guilty to two reduced charges in district court Monday. Joe Allen Davidson of Eagle Lake, indicted for arson in a fire at Stevenson's Cafe on Boothe Drive Mar. 19, 1981, pled guilty to a reduced charge of criminal mischief and was sentenced to 90 days in the county jail with the sentence probated for two years, plus costs of court.

David Wayne Carter entered a plea of guilty to a reduced charge of Class A misdemeanor assault, from an indictment of aggravated assault on a peace office. Carter had been charged with hitting Eagle Lake Chief of Police Earl Winebrenner in

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$9-$10 Cwt. Rice Predicted At Rice Seminar Friday

A&M Farm Economist Urges Farmers To Reduce Production Costs

Prospects for another "tough year" for rice producers was forecast during the annual Colorado County Rice Production Seminar held in the Eagle Lake Community Center last Friday afternoon. The seminar is sponsored annually by the county's Rice and Soybean Committee, the Colorado County Extension Service, and the County Commissioners' Court.

Randy Waligura of Garwood, chairman of the rice and soybean committee, presided at the session and after registration and a welcome, he introduced participants on the program.

Simultaneously with the meeting of the rice producers, a "Rice, Versatile and Economical" program was held in the conference room of the Center under the supervision of Kristen O'Brien, home economist for the Rice Council for Market Development, and Donella Pantel, county Extension Agent.

The program for the ladies included such topics as Your Rice Promotion Dollar At Work, a Rice Council film; followed by a rice dish preparation demonstration; a discussion on rice nutrition and a rice cooking demonstration using the rice cooker and a microwave oven.

Attendance at the seminar was much less than usual since many farmers were taking advantage of the good weather by being in the fields preparing ground for forthcoming planting of the 1982 rice crop, less than a month away.

Outlook For $9-$10 Rice

One of the highlights of the seminar each year is the Rice Outlook program presented by Dr. Art Gerlow, Texas A&M Extension Service farm economist. This year he tied in with his outlook a discussion of inflation and how it is expected to affect the rice farmers in 1982.

He used slide film to point out that inflation increased costs of production in 1981 by some eight to ten percent pointing out that rice farmers had to recover $625 per acre to meet costs of production.

He noted that "input costs are going up, but rice prices are not."

He urged the need for rice farmers to evaluate most

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El Campo Man Killed In Wreck On 90A Early Wed.

An El Campo man became the county's 8th traffic fatality of the year early Wednesday morning of this week when his pickup truck flipped on Highway 90A several hundred yards east of the roadside park two miles west of the city.

Eagle Lake police were called to the scene at 12:20 a.m. and Chief of Police Earl Winebrenner and Patrolman Joe Covarrubio went to the scene. Also answering the report were Deputy Sheriffs Bufford Ashley and Curley Wied.

The Ambulance Corps and the fire department's rescue crew was also called to the scene, but the driver of the truck Bruce Eugene Gann, 44, of El Campo, a horse trainer, died of injuries at the scene. His body was pinned in the wreckage of the pickup.

According to those at the scene the pickup truck was heading east toward Eagle Lake when the truck apparently ran off the roadway, hit an embankment and the vehicle sailed an estimated 100 feet before hitting the ground and flipping over.

Justice of the Peace M. M. (Mac) Jones held an inquest at the scene. The investigating officer was Trooper Alton Adcock.

Burglars Try Entry At Primary School; Car Stolen Monday

Eagle Lake police department investigated an attempted entry at the Eagle Lake Primary School and the theft of a car from the area of the Key Service Station on Boothe Drive.

Chief Earl Winebrenner and Patrolman Joe Covarrubio were called to the Primary School at 8 a.m. Wed., Feb. 10th to check an apparent attempted entry at the Primary School. The officers said that a rock or blunt instrument was used to break out a glass in the front of the school, but entry was not gained.

At 11 a.m. Monday, Bob Warren Eaton of Garwood reported that a 1977 Grand Le Mans was stolen from the Key Service Station on Boothe Drive. Eaton told Chief Winebrenner that he left the key in the ignition of the vehicle. He gave the officer a description of a couple of suspects in the case.

Local officers continue the investigation.

C.C. Directors Vote To Renovate Float

Donations To Project To Be Solicited; '82 Chairmen Named

Members and directors of the Eagle Lake Chamber of Commerce met for a luncheon meeting at Broeschel's Restaurant at noon Monday and started plans for the 1982 year including the renovation of the Eagle Lake Community Float.

The float, using the Goose Hunting Capital of the World theme, is in its eighth year and is badly in need of repairs. A possible change in the theme's float is being contemplated.

The directors voted Monday to proceed with plans for the renovation of the float, using the same chassis as before, and to begin a drive for funds for the float project.

Businesses, individuals and civic organizations in the community will be contacted by the chamber for contributions to the float project. A fund has been started at the First National Bank and if you wish to give to this project, you may do so at the bank or leave the contribution at the chamber office in the Municipal Building.

Further plans on the float project will be announ-

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FFA Trail Ride Sweetheart Named

Three young ladies from Rice High School, shown above, competed for the honor of being named the 1982 Rice FFA Trail Ride Sweetheart during the very successful ride from Myrtle Cemetery near Rock Island to Rice High School last Saturday morning. Stephen Mahaffe, vice president of the Rice FFA Chapter, is shown in the center presenting the Trail Ride Sweetheart plaque to the winner of the competition, Johanna Kubena. Others in the competition were Ava Kallina, at the left; and Carmen Schneider, at the right. A large number of riders enjoyed the ride in near perfect weather under the direction of trail boss Roy Dean Van Nort, representing the Eagle Lake Lions Club, one of the sponsors of the show and sale.

Miss Black Essence Pageant Sat.

Bay City Alumnae Chapter, Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. (a public service sorority) named the following high school girls to compete in the Miss Black Essence Pageant:

Diane Carter and Marian Giles of Columbus; Sherlyn Eloise Lockett, Jackie Lyn Parker and Stephanie Yvonne Rhodes of Eagle Lake; Sue Purdue of Garwood; Barbara Denise Crump and Datryse Melton of Kendleton; Constance Ann Petitt and Kymberly Willis of Wharton. The girls are being sponsored by businesses in their respective towns.

The pageant will be held this Saturday night, Feb. 20th, at 7:30 p.m. in the Eagle Lake Primary School Gymnasium at 701 East E Street. The public is invited to attend this event.

Local Deltas are participating in Black History Month activities planned in Wharton and Kendleton on February 27th. Activities previously planned for Eagle Lake were cancelled.