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Thinking of buying a home? Shop around for mortgages. says Dr. Peggy Owens, a housing and home furnishings specialist.

Look for the mortgage best suited to your individual financial situation - and be well informed about the various types of mortgages that lenders offer, she says.

Owens is on the home economics staff of the Texas Agricultural Extension Service.

JOE WYATT
U.S. CONGRESS

Dear Friends,

May I take this opportunity to thank you for your support in the May 1 Republican primary.

We have worked hard to get this far. I can assure you that we will be working hard to achieve victory in the general election on November 2nd.

The 14th Congressional District deserves a congressman who will work to reduce federal spending and support President Reagan's efforts to balance the budget. Unfortunately, our current congressman does not share these convictions and has voted against the President's budget and tax cuts. Further, I will work with President Reagan to obtain a constitutional amendment to require a balanced budget.

I am looking forward to meeting you personally in the coming months and discussing the issues that face this nation and our area. I would appreciate your help and support on November 2, 1982.

Sincerely,

Joe Wyatt

Joe Wyatt, Jr.

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Rice Jr. High Band Rates First Division In Contest

The seventh and eighth grade members of the Rice School District's band program took part in the Blinn Junior College Music Meet last Friday, April 30, 1982.

This is the first year that the three junior high bands in the Rice CISD were combined to form one large ensemble and they brought home a First Division rating. The Rice Junior High Band rehearsed together a total of only six times during the past two weeks and band members from Sheridan and Garwood were bused to Eagle Lake and rehearsals lasted one and one-half hours each of the six days.

This combined band was rehearsed and directed by Floyd Spenrath, Rice High School Band Director. The band's performance was rated First Division by Judge Bill Farris of Conroe.

The program included these songs: "Bunker Hill March," "Overture in C Minor" and "Montage."

Judge Farris commented that the band played the march "very nice... good style and dynamics. Beautiful phrasing." In the overture, he said the band had a "beautiful beginning, nice style and balance and had good intonation and good use of dynamics." In playing "Montage" he said the band had an "exciting opening, good control and good tempo and exciting ending." He concluded: "I really enjoyed your performance."

William C. Gohlke who works with the Sheridan band, Calvin Zwerenman who works with the Garwood band students, and Mr. Spenrath expressed great pride in the work done by the students and expressed appreciation for their hard work.

Corliss' "Charge On Kid" Wins 1st, Res. Champion Honors

"Charge On Kid", three-year-old registered Quarter-horse stallion owned by Walter and Wanda Corliss, placed first in his class in halter at the Galveston County Open Horse Show on May 2nd at Hummer Park in Santa Fe, Texas, only to come back and receive Reserve Champion honors.

Sire of "Charge On Kid" is "Mr. Kid Charge", an All American futurity winner, and Dam is "Miss O'Quinn Bar" raised by Walter and Wanda Corliss.

Carolyn Walls of Santa Fe is training and showing the colt. She has started training him in Western Pleasure also.

The seniors received Holy Communion from Eucharistic Minister Mr. Wendel, who had been their sponsor for three years.

The 1982 senior class song, "Do You Know Where You're Going To?" was used as the recessional.

At the dinner each senior received a Bible from Father Ray on behalf of the lay organizations in the two parishes: the Guadalupeans, the Altar Society, and Knights of Columbus.

Shooting Of BB Guns In City Is Unlawful

City officials asked the Headlight to remind parents of youngsters who own BB rifles and air guns that it is illegal to shoot the guns in the city limits other than on property on which the family resides.

Reports have been received of damage resulting to windows of homes in the residential area from BB guns and air rifles.

"Please cooperate by warning your child of this violation of the law for the safety of our residents and their personal property," added the city officials.

Welcoming the newborn home is a big brother, Christopher, eight years old.

Proud grandparents are Mrs. Tillie Moore of Eagle Lake and Mr. and Mrs. Joe Maretkas of El Campo.

Agricultural Observations
From Texas A&M Research Site Eagle Lake

Date	Air Temp 2'	Soil Temp	Evap	Rain
Apr 27	82	56	80	63
28	82	55	82	64
29	82	62	83	66
30	82	60	82	70
May 1	84	61	83	71
2	82	60	81	68
3	85	60	85	69

As high pressure moves eastward, a moist southeast flow will continue over the Coastal Plains. Damp, foggy mornings and partly cloudy afternoons are expected through Wednesday. A cold front should work slowly toward the coast during the last half of the week and raise the chances for rain Thursday through Saturday.

In the Rice Delta one or two days of dry weather are due for the area. High morning humidities could delay starting times until almost noon. Field work may run into delays Thursday through Saturday as the cold front inches its way into the area and triggers showers. Some rains may become significant late in the week if slow-moving storms accompany the front. Low temperatures are expected to remain above the 60 degree mark over the next several days which should help rice growth.

Catholic Seniors Honored At Mass, Dinner

The Catholic Seniors from Our Lady of Perpetual Help and Our Lady of Guadalupe parishes were honored at the Saturday evening Mass and later at a covered dish dinner in Dider Hall on May 1, 1982. Robed in their graduation gowns, the seniors processed into church with Father Ray Widacki, celebrant Joseph Wendel, Father Minister of the Eucharist, and the acolytes.

Father Widacki based his homily upon the scripture reading from Ecclesiastes 3:1-15, chosen by the seniors, and reminded them of some joys and sorrows they should be prepared for in the future. All of these will come at an appointed time, and the strength of faith will give each the ability to accept God's will.

The seniors had developed the liturgy for their Mass with the direction of Mrs. L. J. Sparfink, Senior CCD teacher. Seven seniors spoke for the group when they expressed their ambitions and hope for the future with the General Intercessions. Seniors speaking were: Ierna Yanez, Jeffery Psenick, Ely Ann Romo, Jim Eppa, Elisia Gomez, De La Garza, and Francis Cortez.

At the Offertory of the Mass seniors Gregory Leo, Mark Ruetter, Robbie Little, Mark Salazar, Gloria Fajkus, Pafly Stiles, and Francis Cortez brought forth their gifts representing the twelve years of schooling as well as the guidance and sacrifices of parents to reach this plateau in their lives. Jeffery, Ierna and Ely Ann explained the significance of each gift as it was presented to Father Ray.

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RHS Seniors Presented Scholarships



Rice High School seniors in the Class of 1982 received over \$46,000 in scholarship awards during the end-of-school awards ceremony in RHS gymnasium last Friday morning.

At the left, Assistant Superintendent Charles W. DeShazo presented a new four-year scholarship (\$2,500 per year plus assistance in post-graduate work) from the National Society of Women Engineers and Sam Houston State University and Dow Chemical for outstanding achievement in math and science to Barbara Ross. In the other part of the photo at right, incoming Eagle Lake Rotary Club president Bob McInteer, at far right, presented the club's annual two-year scholarship to Wharton County Junior College to Jeffery Psenick. More photos and stories on the end-of-school awards ceremonies, both for the senior class and for underclassmen, will be published along with congratulatory messages in the next issue of the Headlight.

Appraisal District Extends Exemption Deadline To May 31

Over 3,000 Properties Not Assessed; Notices Going Out May 15

Property owner would expect if the exemption were signed.

Youns said that property in small tracts up to three acres is being valued at around \$1500, three to twenty acres around \$1100 per acre, and large tracts at around \$800. Claiming the central appraisal district will provide valuations (as mandated by the state) for all taxing entities for 1982 taxes, but since the appraisal process is not complete, a factor (or percentage) figure is being worked out to be applied to all properties until such time as the central district can complete appraisal of all properties this is expected by 1984.

The district this year will be collecting taxes also for six (Continued on last page)

Woman Stabbed In Family Dispute At Garwood Sun.

The Colorado County sheriff's department reports that a woman was stabbed in the abdomen.

Investigation revealed that Freddie Lee McGrew, 47 years of age, from Garwood, had apparently stabbed Ruth Montgomery over a family dispute.

McGrew was charged with aggravated assault. The case will be presented to the next Grand Jury.

Montgomery was treated and released from the Eagle Lake Community Hospital.

McGrew remains in the county jail in lieu of a \$2,000 bond set by Justice of the Peace W. A. Hefner of Garwood.

City Gets Good Bid For 1.6 Miles Paving

Eagle Lake City Council, in session Tuesday night, officially awarded a contract for street paving in the city to Schwabe-Mikes Co. of Shiner.

Bids for the paving work were opened in a special session of the council last Friday, but the contract was not officially awarded until Tuesday night, so that city officials could determine exactly how much work can be done with the funds available.

The bid received this year was even lower than the good bid received from the same firm last year, noted City Manager Robert Klockman.

Schwabe and Mikes offered to do the 1.6 miles of paving work for an estimated price of \$18,290.55; and the only other bidder was Dean-King.

Paving of Giddings which offered to do the same work for an estimated \$21,492.35.

Work Planned
According to the city manager, work to be done under the 1982 paving program will be: base work and paving on Crain, Cat Spring, Chapman, A Street and the parking lot at the rear of the postoffice and municipal building; overlay on portions of Stockbridge, C and Phillips streets; and seal coating on portions of Pendleton, Lake, Westmoreland, Milan and McCarty streets.

The streets selected for the work have been found to be in worst condition of deterioration and are considered to

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Rice CISD Board OK's Pay Increases

Local Increment For Teachers Raised \$700 To \$3000 Above State

The board of education of the Rice Consolidated School District, in regular session Monday night, approved another increase in the local increment to professionals (teachers and administrators) in the district and also for other personnel of the district.

Earlier this year the board approved a \$200 increase in the local increment which will be paid over and above the state pay schedule, thus increasing the local increment to \$2000; but in the action the board, after reviewing its financial situation as the 1981-82 year comes to a close, voted to increase that local increment by another \$700 boosting the total local increment for this district to \$3,000 per year above the state schedule.

Supt. Harold King said that this will cost the district an additional \$75,000 per year but puts the district well in line with increments of other school districts in the area and enhances the possibility of obtaining high quality teachers for the Rice District.

Other Allowances
The board also approved a total allowance of \$50,000 for increases in pay for other personnel in the district, hourly and on salary. The amount of the increases, not to exceed 10% of the present salary, is to be based on consultation between the superintendent and the supervisor. King emphasized that not all of the salaries will be increased by the 10% maximum. The board also approved another allowance of a maximum of \$50,000 which could be used by the administration to compensate for any staffing changes that need to be made, if any; and another allowance of a maximum of \$100,000 for maintenance at schools within the Rice District. The maintenance items are being considered and will be brought before the board for its consideration.

Policy Changes
The board considered a (Continued on last page)

Awards Night At ELMS Art, Crafts "Fair" 7:30 Fri.

The departments of Art and Crafts at Eagle Lake Middle School will present their first annual fair this Friday and Saturday, May 14 and 15th at the ELMS gymnasium.

The Art Department under the direction of Lois Raabe, will display paintings, inks, pencils, quilting, macrame and stitchery. Crafts, under the direction of Eddie Gibson, will display woodwork, furniture refinishing, leather crafts and electricity.

Awards night will be this Friday night at 7:30 p.m. Family and friends of the students are invited to attend. All projects will be on display at the public Saturday from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon.

Burglaries At Rock Island And Sheridan

Colorado County Sheriff's Department was called last Friday, May 7th to report a burglary near Rock Island and a theft at a residence in Sheridan.

At 7:30 p.m. Friday, 7th, Robert Means of Houston reported a burglary at his camp house near Rock Island. Entry was gained by prying open the rear door to the mobile home used as a camp house.

Taken were a 17 inch Sony color television, one 12 gauge double barrel shotgun, one .22 Mag. revolver, and a .22 Remington rifle. The entire mobile home had been ransacked.

The exact date and time of the burglary is still undetermined as the Means reside in Houston and had not been to the camp for the past week.

Roy Helms of Sheridan reported to the sheriff's office at 6:15 p.m. Friday, a theft at his residence. Entry to the residence was gained through an unlocked rear door. Taken were: approximately \$150 in cash, a wedding ring and a watch.

The description of a subject seen at the residence around 11:00 a.m. that date was obtained by Sheriff's officers. A search of the area failed to locate the subject. The investigation continues.

City Hires Fifth Police Officer, Ronnie Frankum

Eagle Lake city council, in session Tuesday night, gave its approval to the hiring of a fifth police officer for this city. He is Ronnie Frankum, 25, of Wharton.

Frankum has been a reserve officer at Wharton and will be primarily responsible for patrolling in the downtown area, reported Chief of Police Earl Weinbrener.

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Committee Named To Study County's Septic Tank Ord.

Outstanding Senior Citizens

After hearing a delegation of citizens from various parts of the county declare that the new Septic Tank Ordinance, adopted April 12th, was "unnecessary" in the form it was worded and as a result of the two hour long discussion, County Judge Lester J. Cranek appointed a five-member committee to make recommendations to the court on regulations which would be more acceptable.

The discussion was initiated at the regular session of the Commissioners' Court Monday by former Commissioner Crockett Leyendecker. He pointed that in this time when the people nationwide are trying to get away from over-regulation, the set of rules for the septic tank ordinance adopted by the court was not necessarily applicable to conditions in this county.

Leyendecker and most of the others present agreed that some kind of rules are needed, but added, "they should be written by the court of this county to meet local conditions that can be easily enforced without unnecessary expense."

Leyendecker said that the ordinance adopted by the court was a standard form used by the Texas Department of Health, and said that some provisions "just aren't applicable to the conditions of soil and other conditions in this county."

Being a realist, he said that the added cost which the septic tank ordinance would require, would tend to make it even more difficult for young people to locate in this county.

Mrs. Connie Iise of Columbus questioned the fact that the ordinance calls two or more mobile homes a "mobile home park" and made it (Continued on last page)

Rice CISD Preps For Course In Computer Programming

The board of education of the Rice Consolidated School District, in session Monday night, and guests at the board meeting were given a demonstration on the computer equipment to be used when the district initiates a course at the opening of the 1982-83 school year. Assistant Superintendent Charles W. DeShazo presented the demonstration and discussed a Computer Workshop to be held in the district this summer.

DeShazo reported that the new computer programming course will have two sections of fifteen students each (all seniors screened for math and science capabilities). In the 1983-84 year the course will be expanded to include junior students and the following year to include sophomores.

Equipment On All Campuses
In addition to eight TRS-80 Model 3 Radio Shack computers (seven with 16-K capabilities and one with 48-K), there will be another 16-K unit for tutorial purposes in the migrant program and a 48-K dual disc drive and printer on the Rice High School campus. The latter unit will be used with all others in the RHS lab.

Also as part of the program to prepare future students for the computer program, the district will place four of the 16-K computers with cassette for storage on the Eagle Lake Middle School campus (two bought with local funds and two with migrant funds); also one 16-K unit with cassette, at Eagle Lake Primary School; two 16-K units with cassettes at Garwood Elementary; and one 16-K unit with cassette at Sheridan Elementary School.

Starting From Bootstraps
DeShazo told the gathering that the program is starting from the "bootstraps" since it is almost impossible to hire instructors. He added that the development of the program will depend in great part on interest of students and proficiency of teachers in developing programs for use in the computers.

A Computer Workshop will be held in the Rice District May 27th through June 4th, from 9 to 3 daily, and thirty teachers have signed up for the program. The workshop will be instructed by Region

Attempted Murder Charged In Weimar Stabbing

A Weimar man has been charged with attempted murder following a stabbing in Weimar last Saturday night.

At 1:35 a.m. Saturday, Victor Nambu of Weimar reported a stabbing and an investigation by the Sheriff's Department revealed that a Lewis Milan had stabbed Nambu while they were in Nambu's trailer house. There was no apparent reason for the stabbing.

The investigation continues, reports the sheriff's department and charges of attempted murder were filed on Lewis Milan. Milan had not been arrested Tuesday on the charge.

The case will be presented to the next Grand Jury.

Mrs. Cumberworth New Study Club President

The initial course will be a Basic course and plans are to implement the Fortran and PL2 programs later for use in Math and Science and in Business Education programs at Rice High School.

With the increasing interest in computers, it is felt that addition of computer programming in the Rice District will be a big step forward in the education of students of the district, noted the Rice CISD administrator.

Mrs. Ray (Beryl) Cumberworth, left, is the new president of the Eagle Lake Study Club. She will succeed Mrs. Alvin (Margie) Wiens. New officers were announced at the Annual President's Luncheon held Tuesday last week in Eagle Lake Community Center. They are shown welcoming Michael Cullinan, center, chairman of the English Department at St. John's School in Houston and a noted expert in Graphic Analysis, the art of analyzing handwriting, the guest speaker at the President's Luncheon. See story on page 16 of this issue.