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Girl's All-Stars

Front row from left are Renee Wornat, Lakeshia Jackson and Kim Corman. Second row, coach Shawn Spanihel, Becky Almanza, Rhonda Prazak, Nickhole Shorter, and coach Scharlene Prazak. Third row, Detra Chavis, Latricia Jones, Jeanette McTear, Charlene McGrew, and Kimberly Garrett.



Garwood-Sheridan All-Stars

The Colorado Valley All-Stars, made up from team members in the Garwood and Sheridan area are from left, front row, coach David Krenke, Joe Linnemer, Whitey Dopplauf, Russell Labay, Michael Grahmann, Ruben Hernandez and coach Fred Grahmann. Second row, Allen Eggemeyer, Scott Janish, Shawn Wiese, Rodney Laake, Tiger Pratt, Kevin Edds, Chris Rodriguez and Michael Popp. Not pictured is coach Ted Wiese.



Eagle Lake All-Stars

Front row, from left, coach Bill Blair, coach Monroe Ripper, Matthew Stovall, Greg Blair, Greg Vasquez, Robert Tillman, Charles Miller, manager Bennie Miller. Back row, Mitchell Miller, Gilbert Sosa, Javier Cano, Ulab Johnson, Kevin Bundy, Scott Ripper, Alfredo Puga, Jesse Yanez and Bobby Wied. Not present was coach Buddy Mascheck.

Garwood rice growers nominate Lehrer replacement

The members of the Garwood Rice Growers Cooperative Association held their annual meeting last Thursday night at Rice High school to learn about the health of ARI, TRRF and to nominate a replacement for Bill Lehrer on the ARI board of directors.

Following dinner and introduction of guests, which included many ARI officials, Frederick Leopold was elected to the Garwood co-op board replacing Lee Schneider, and Harry Engstrom was reelected.

Schneider was presented a plaque in appreciation for his serving 15 years on the Garwood board. He was secretary for three years, vice president for four and president for six.

Dale Hunt, Garwood board president and member of the ARI board, introduced J. D. "Des"

Woods, Jr., vice president of the Texas Rice Research Foundation, to update members on TRRF activities.

His brief report included the fact that the new research foundation took in about \$655,000 last year and spent only \$628,000. He described the research work as he described a west Texas drought. In that instance, he said, farmers' out-look was "we're not going to rain."

He said, "We're one year closer to recovery."

"You can look to the TRRF with pride," Woods said, adding that another new rice variety that is identified only as a number, looks superior to Lebonnet and may well be its replacement.

He said that Garwood area farmers selling

through the coop and participating in the 5-cent support of TRRF contributed \$56,000 to the foundation's support.

When Hunt returned to the microphone, he detailed statistical information on the business, Hunt said, ARI and its membership, as a lead in to why the farmer-owned marketing business, ARI, is allowing farmers from Mississippi to join the organization.

UNUSUALLY, ARI marketed rice grown in Texas and Louisiana, but had to purchase rice outside the membership to satisfy sales demand it created.

However, Hunt said all research into the future of the industry among its members and their growing area show the rice business declining. With a multi-million dollar investment farmers have in the organization, the ARI board

voted to allow Mississippi membership to help the organization survive that future Texas Louisiana decline.

I don't want to paint a rosy picture, Hunt said. "The situation is grave," but the additional rice from Mississippi means we will not be purchasing rice outside the membership.

In another area of the marketing coop this week voted to advance farmers \$6.07 per hundredweight on their PIR, entitlements, so the money can get into the farmer's hands. It should be paid in a week to ten days, he said.

As others in the rice industry have said recently, Hunt emphasized that commodity supplies of Texas long grain rice are short, and that many of the PIR entitlements will be paid in

an active promotional program for the year of 1983.

"Dog-gawn Lucky Day" is the next event planned by the committee and will be held in conjunction with the seasonal "dog days" in the waning weeks of the summer. This event will be staged on Saturday, August 13, during which the chaffin will offer a sandwich (hot dog or sloppy joe, still to be decided) and a cold drink for only 10 cents. The 10 cent value will be effective, however, only with a coupon obtained from a chamber of commerce member store with a purchase of \$10.00 or more. Only one coupon will be given with each purchase but you may patronize the same merchant or others as often as you wish and obtain coupons for the 10 cent value with each \$10.00 purchase.

The coupons will be redeemable at a booth to be set up by the chamber in front of the downtown Municipal Building only between the hours of 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. August 13. Coupons will be void after the 3 p.m. closing. In order to make preparations, the chamber plans to limit the number of coupon redemp-

tions. "Rain checks" or other offers will be made to those who are not served, but only if application is made before the 3 p.m. deadline. Otherwise the coupons become void after 3 p.m. August 13.

"We believe this will be a dog-gawn good deal for patrons of Chamber of Commerce member stores during this event on August 13," said Jo Ann Mahaffie, president of the chamber.

Other events which will be staged by the chamber of commerce in its trade development program for 1983 include:

- Saturday, September 9: Community-wide rummage sale and flea market on Commerce Street in front of the First National Bank. All interested persons may obtain space without charge to sell used items from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Commercial exhibitors will not be accepted. For space reservations, call 234-2780. Background music will be provided during the day. Cold drinks will be offered for sale.
- Saturday, October 29: Halloween parade at 10 a.m. around the downtown city square with prizes for children attired in Halloween costumes or who decorated bicycles in the Halloween theme. Free kiddie rides will be made available by the chamber of commerce after the parade until 2 p.m.
- November: A duck and goose hunting promotion is planned with calling contests, retriever competition, displays by sporting goods firms, a drawing for free hunts, and possibly a stew supper.
- December: The annual Santa Claus parade sponsored by the chamber of commerce beginning at 1:30 p.m. followed by Santa Claus visit with the children in the front of the Municipal Building where the chamber will furnish bags of goodies for the kiddies. Also the chamber plans to offer free kiddie and/or train rides during the time Santa is here from 2 to 4 p.m.
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Rice, county finding tax bases eroded

It's that time of year when two of the three major government entities that have the ability to tax you, start looking over their needs for cash for the year ahead.

This year the Rice school district and the county government are finding their tax base eroded away by lower mineral values, as well as a supreme court ruling that says federal securities in banks is not taxable.

The result is that if those two taxing authorities use the tax rate they set last year, they will not be able to generate the same amount of cash this year. In the case of Rice school district, almost \$200,000 less.

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the monthly Colorado County Commission meeting, Judge Lester Cranek said court had intended to begin discussing next year's budget. This process includes setting the tax rate.

However, Cranek said discussion of the budget and accompanying taxes would be postponed until the next court session later in the month.

He said information on taxable values in the county were not yet ready.

As for the Rice school district, Superintendent Harold King for the past several months has been alerting board members to the fact that values in the district are declining.

Monday night, he told them the tax rolls are not

yet certified but the latest figures he has been given by the county appraisal district indicate the district's taxable values have decreased \$32 million, or a little more than nine percent.

Last year there was \$340 million taxable property in the school district but this year that figure has declined to about \$308 million.

King said he has been told mineral values in the major portion of the decrease, down to \$143 million from last year's \$169 million.

Although the state property tax board as of Tuesday has not advised what the position should be in regard to the federal securities in local banks,

Sewer, water, garbage rates

The rates city residents pay for specific services, such as water, sewer, garbage and related items, will be increasing soon, with the cost of electricity, the city pays to operate those services the main culprit.

Those who enjoy the services but do not live in the city limits, therefore avoiding city taxes, will see their bills increase a great deal more than tax-paying city residents.

However, while the residential increases average in the 20 percent range and the non-residential increases average 138 percent, the dollar amounts are relatively small.

During the semi-monthly city council meeting Tuesday night, council unanimously approved the first reading of ordinances to put those increases into effect. During the next two council meetings, on July 25 and August 8, council again

must approve the ordinances before the new rates take effect.

Councilman Gene Baker, chairman of the city rates lead council through a reading of proposed increases. Using average bill figures provided by the city administration staff, he outlined these monthly rates:

- Water, current \$9.15; proposed \$10.50, increase 15 percent.
- Sewer, current \$4.70; proposed \$6.30, increase 34 percent.
- Garbage, current \$4; proposed \$5, increase 25 percent.

Non-residents now pay the same rates as residents. Under proposed changes, non-residents will pay an average of \$18.25 monthly for water service (an increase of 110 percent) and \$12 for garbage service (200 percent increase).

Minimum resident bill amounts will increase for water from \$3.75 to \$4.50, and for sewer, \$3.50 to \$4.50. Garbage is a flat fee from \$4 to \$5, or a water minimum will increase to \$10.

Although sewer rates were changed last summer, water and garbage rates increased in the summer of 1980. Councilman Roy Dean Van Nort noted the consumer price index has increased faster than the percentage increases proposed Tuesday night.

Citing the cost of electricity in the city water and sewer operations, Mayor Elmer Struss pointed out that the June electric bill for the city was well over \$7,000. New city water and sewer facilities have been put into operation in the last year or so, and those use more electricity than the old systems. At the same time city electrical

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