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Columbus Little League Baseball

## Chicken Barbeque

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Veterans Community Center, Columbus  
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Adults \$4.00  
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## Bowling News

Other high scorers were David Baird posted a 221-546 for men's high game and series in the Skull Creek Mixed League the week of March 27.

Jo Ann Venhaus compiled a 217 for women's high game (she has a 126 average) and Margie Knippel posted a 528 for women's high game.

Other high scorers were Roy Rucker 212-517, Mano Graham 200-503, Freddie Pelts 203-549, Erwin Knippel 200-558, LeRoy Janda 544, Elroy Jentech 534, Al Novosad 220-542, LaVerne Graham 507, Jody Novosad 501, Anne Burke 524.

Rice Birds is in first place with 67 wins in second place, No Names is in third place with 66 wins, Stingers with 62 wins in fourth place, Wooly Boogers is in fifth place with 61 wins, and Spurs is in sixth place with 57½ wins.

**COMMUTERS LEAGUE**  
On March 29 in Commuters League action, Sheridan Drilling Company 39 wins.

compiled a 795-2178 for high team game and series. Margie Tate bowled a 203 for individual high game and Lois Taylor rolled a 534 for individual high series. Other high bowlers were Beverly Krenek 524, Eliza Gertson 524, Mary Obenhans 511.

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# Sports

## Raiders tie East Bernard

The Raiders track team tied with East Bernard for fourth and fifth place at a track and field meet in Sealy last Friday. Both teams had 48 points.

Bellville high school won the meet with 80.5 points, followed by second place Waller with 69 points and third place Columbus with 52 points. Sealy had 42 points to hold on to sixth. There were 15 teams present.

Derrick Williams placed fifth in 110 meter high hurdles. The Rice mile relay team consisting of Parker, Hemphill, Scott and Michael Davis placed sixth.

Parker placed first in the 200 meter dash with a time of 22.33. Scott placed second in the 100 meter dash followed by teammate Hemphill.

Rice won the 440 relay with a time of 43.04. Runners included Ike Clayton, Rodney Parker, Dennis Hemphill and Cleve Scott.

The Raiders are preparing for a track meet scheduled for this Saturday, in Rockdale. Field events begin at 9 a.m., followed by preliminary running events at 11 a.m., and final running events at 3:30 p.m.

The boys are coached by Maurice Gindrat and Steve Carroll.

## Middle School to host 10-team track meet Saturday

Eagle Lake Middle School will be hosting a junior high track and field meet this Saturday. Schools participating include Columbus, El Campo, Royal, East Bernard, Hallettsville, Hempstead, Sealy, Garwood, Sheridan and Eagle Lake.

Field events are scheduled to begin at 9 a.m., and running events will start at noon. Both boys and girls will compete. Please show your support to the Raiders and come watch the invitational.

## Class '79 planning reunion

This June the Rice High School Class of 1979 is planning to reunite their classmates. Nothing has been decided yet, but suggestions will be more than welcome.

Please send your married and/or maiden name, address and phone number to: Michael Thomas, 6903 Grant Drive, Richmond, Texas 77469, (713) 343-1614; or Veronica Parker, 590 Old Altair Road, Eagle Lake, Texas 77434, (409) 234-3441.

Any and all information received by the time for this get together would be very much appreciated.

"When plans are finalized, we will get in touch with each classmate we can," says Michael Thomas and Veronica Parker.

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So this is what it looks like. Students at the Eagle Lake Middle School recently visited the Headlight office to see how the newspaper is put together. Here they are inspecting the dot pattern in a photograph.

## Easter Bunny coming

Around five hundred youngsters are expected to visit with the "real live" Easter Bunny who will be coming to Eagle Lake under the auspices of the Eagle Lake Chamber of Commerce from 10 a.m. to noon this Saturday.

The Easter Bunny will make his (or her) appearance in front of the Chamber of Commerce at 10 a.m. Saturday. Youngsters will have an opportunity to visit with the bunny and draw from an Easter basket. The gifts will range from candy Easter eggs to a \$5 bill. Other gifts will include ten 11 bills, candy rabbits, a small stuffed animal, a filled Easter basket and others.

Children of pre-school age, accompanied by a parent or guardian, will visit with the bunny from 10 to 11 a.m. All other children will have the opportunity to visit with the bunny from 11 a.m. to noon. After the end of the visitation period, the bunny advises the sponsoring chamber of commerce that it will make brief visits to the downtown business places.

Seaholm Photo will be on hand to take photos of youngsters with the bunny.

The event is one of a series planned by the Retail Trade Development Committee of the chamber for the year of 1984.

## Ag development corp. sought by Eagle Lake approved by county

Colorado County Commissioners court on Monday authorized the incorporation of the Colorado County Agricultural Development Corporation, as presented by Bill Harrison Jr.

According to the proposal, "the purpose of the corporation shall be to accept, review, and (if acceptable) approve applications for the issuance of agricultural revenue bonds."

In 1983, the state legislature passed a bill authorizing the Department of Agriculture to administer a revenue bond program similar to the Texas Industrial Commission's Industrial Development Program. In 1981, the court authorized the creation of Colorado County Industrial Development Corp.

The proposal continues, "the corporation can act on requests classified as industrial or commercial, but a separate corporation must be created to authorize bonds on an agricultural project."

Harrison said that the project will add substantially to the tax base of Eagle Lake, provide additional employment and add existing agricultural producers.

Also at Monday's meeting, members of the Colorado County Volunteer Ambulance Corps told commissioners that they would like to resign as of 7 p.m. Friday, to allow a new unit to be formed.

John Poldos, last year's corps president, said that a lack of communication between commissioners and corps members has been causing problems for more than a year. He said members felt it was in the best interest of Columbus area residents that they resign and allow a new unit to be formed. "It will give the unit a fresh start." He indicated some of the present members of which there were about 10, probably will re-volunteer.

Venus Emmos volunteered to take on the new organizational task and will be responsible for ambulance calls after 7 p.m. Friday.

Cranek said that corps members resigned due to a lack of support from county court officials, lack of established guidelines, and the decision to utilize the ambulance for both emergency and transfer calls.

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## Wayne, Vic Corman win school, city seats

### Leopold also wins in Rice school district

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## 200-name petition asks for city hall painting

The city pool and community basketball courts. In other business, councilman Gene Baker with a plaque for 13 years of service as a city councilman. Baker did not run for re-election.

\*Agreed to allow the Chamber of Commerce to use the city hall foyer for the Easter Bunny program on Saturday.

\*Reported that the railroad tracks on Main Street have been patched with asphalt by the Santa Fe rail line.

\*Decided to schedule an Airport Board meeting after the state report has been received.

Mayor Struss appointed the following councilmen to serve in the designated category: mayor pro-tem: Alvin Kohlefeldt; mayor: Roy D. Van Nort; equipment committee: chairman W.C. Alley, Kohlefeldt, Vic Corman and Kloekman; rate and revenue committee: chairman Vic Corman, Mike Duarte, Van Nort and Kloekman; insurance and retirement committee: chairman Duarte, Corman, Alley, Kloekman and city secretary Lucille Perry; alley, right-of-way and property committee: Corman; lakes and rivers representative: Alley; Houston-Galveston area council representative: Van Nort and alternate Alley; medical officer: Curtis Laughlin; fire marshal: Glenn Leckler; city attorney: Bill Shurt; city judge: Mac Jones, and assistant to the judge Mary Lou Szymanski.

However, there still is a possibility that the blue panels may be replaced or painted after bids are opened and accepted. Mayor Struss has asked for a representative from the Garden Club, Beautification Committee, Rotary Club, Lions Club and Chamber of Commerce to agree on a color if the panels are to be changed or painted.

Council held a public hearing and approved the revenue sharing budget for the 1984-85 fiscal year. The city is expecting \$47,000 from the federal revenue sharing program, according to Struss; and \$38,379 will be allocated for street lighting, and \$5,131 will be set aside for parks and recreation projects such as

## Latest sales tax figures show business in area counties up

Columbus, Eagle Lake and Weimar each are showing large gains in their retail sales reports, according to the latest sales tax figures from the state, but of the major cities in counties surrounding Colorado County, Wharton is showing the largest increase. Columbus is a close second in the size of increase for the most recently reported period.

For sales made in February, Wharton's increase was 63.41 percent for the month, compared to the same period last year. So far this year, Wharton's one-cent share of the five-cent state sales tax totals \$174,733.18, up 16.94 percent. Its one-cent share on the February sales was \$25,280.94.

In Columbus, the increase is reported as 46.57 percent, with its most recent check of \$14,188.63. For the year, taxable Columbus sales have increased to give the city \$98,173.04, or a 38.06 percent gain.

That year-to-date gain for Columbus is the largest gain reported for any of the area cities.

Both Eagle Lake and Weimar posted monthly increases, and while Weimar is ahead for the year, Eagle Lake still lags 3.13 percent behind the amount of money the city realized for the same period last year.

So far this year, Eagle Lake has received \$50,396.18. For the monthly period comparison, it received \$10,061.05, a 33.65 percent increase. Weimar shows a year-to-date increase of 16.31 percent to \$35,952.95, and a monthly increase of 41.33 percent to \$5,004.64.

These cities and others are shown in this table to read chart:

County City	Month This Year	% Diff.	Year to Date	% Diff.
Austin	11,880.48	26.78	67,969.22	19.99
Bellville	15,748.65	23.52	93,739.41	-4.19
Colorado				
Columbus	14,188.63	46.57	93,173.04	33.08
Eagle Lake	10,061.05	33.65	50,396.18	-3.13
Weimar	5,004.64	41.33	35,952.95	16.31
Fayette				
Fayetteville	650.82	19.88	4,823.21	-3.39
La Grange	18,622.82	22.53	115,383.52	3.53
Schulenberg	6,358.50	2.24	40,516.12	-2.55
Waller				
Brookshire	7,739.79	17.52	39,831.51	31.25
Wharton				
El Campo	35,815.48	8.84	211,711.20	4.99
Wharton	28,280.64	63.41	174,733.18	16.94

## Appraisal district mailing some notices

In reference to the 1983 tax calendar, the Colorado County Central Appraisal District will be mailing out the third set of delinquent notices to respected jurisdictions in May. As of July 1, all taxes that remain unpaid will be turned over to the delinquent tax attorney, according to Bill Yoness chief appraiser.

These delinquent taxes were due January 31 of this year.

According to a delinquent tax collection report closed December of 1983, Colorado County owes \$16,960.24 in taxes. The Rice Consolidated Independent School District is delinquent \$20,678.93. Weimar I.S.D. owes \$11,776.73, and the Columbus I.S.D. owes \$12,755.63.

Through March of 1984, Colorado County, Weimar, Rice and Columbus school districts are delinquent \$25,468.23, \$15,687.37, \$27,308.12 and \$28,061.05 respectively.

The amount payable includes penalty and interest charges and covers at least a three year time segment. Yoness said.

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# YOUR VOTE COUNTS

## VOTE THIS SATURDAY, APRIL 7, 1984

### IN THE MUNICIPAL-SCHOOL BOARD ELECTIONS