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City sewer plant was, now isn't up to snuff

The Eagle Lake sewer plant that had the approval from state inspection a couple weeks ago is back on the blink. A blower broke causing it not to meet state compliance, according to Robert Klockman city manager.

Currently, the blower is being worked on by the McKinney Co. of Houston. The sewer is still under manufacture warranty and it will cost the city nothing for maintenance.

Klockman also informed council members that they should consider composting oil and gas drilling regulations, before a company approaches the city to drill. According to Mayor Struss, the city has no ordinance to control drilling in the city limits.

In other matters, council members discussed a report from the Texas Aeronautics Commission in regard to the city airport. The Commission cited various recommendations concerning the airport's future and its status quo.

"Announced that council was within its budget for painting and maintenance of the city building. It cost \$1,350 for labor and \$315 for paint, Struss said.

"Received a March statement from Spirit Waste Disposal Co. stating a \$25 per load charge for garbage truck pit usage. Klockman has inquired in to the matter, but has yet to receive a response from the company.

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Sports



Little League teams introduced

Part of the opening ceremonies Saturday for the Eagle Lake Little League included introductions of teams. League president Jim Wiese, center, told the crowd the first annual opening day bar-

Garwood and Nada Community News

The children and grand children of Mrs. J.A. (Annie) Meiser honored her on her 85th birthday with a barbecue chicken dinner at the K.J.T. Hall at Nada, last Sunday, April 29th. A large number of relatives and friends attended. They came from California, Houston, Shepherd, Friendswood, Beeville, Baytown, El Campo, Pearland, Hallettsville, Lake Jackson, Sheridan, Selma, Bay City, Eagle Lake, Crosby, Victoria, Garwood and Nada. Approximately 160 relatives and guests attended.

Four Raider boys qualify for state meet

Four members of the Rice High School boy's track team have advanced to state competition to be held in Austin, Friday, May 11 at 7 p.m.

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ADVANCED TICKET FORM For The Eagle Lake Community Pool

Please Fill In, Sign and Return with your check to: Wayne Zimmerman, 610 Norris, Eagle Lake, TX 77434

Name of Father: Home Phone Work Phone
Name of Mother: Home Phone Work Phone
Children: Age: R/C PVT
Age: R/C PVT
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Parent/Guardian Signature: Date:

Check One: (\$2.00 DAILY GATE PRICE FOR EACH PERSON)
30.00 - 1 person PRE-SEASON PASS
55.00 - 2 persons Pre-Season Pass
75.00 - 3 or More Pre-Season Pass
2 Pre-school age children FREE with 1 paying adult swimmer

After May 28, \$10.00 will be added to the cost of all passes.

FREE CROSS LESSONS ARE FREE. \$5.00 Pool Fee for each person. APPROPRIATE LESSONS AVAILABLE. Contact pool manager, \$5.00 pool fee plus instructor.

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Use this form to purchase a season pass for the swimming pool.

Truckers asking for hike; trucks idle

Independent truckers in the area are not rolling their rigs because they are asking for an increase of 1 cent per ton mile charge. Currency, truckers are allocated 7 cents per ton, according to LaMont Peavy independent trucker.

"We're not on strike because every truck is out in the yard for hire to anyone who is willing to pay the 8 cents per ton," LaMont said. "We will roll for the 8 cents."

Permit holders are responsible for leasing trucks to the independent trucking lines. The State does not protect this particular lease because the independent agent is not covered in policies and laws composed by the Railroad Commission.

"They didn't want to give the truckers any more money, so we had to cut the trucks off," LaMont said.

The situation is continually changing, LaMont said. Three trucking lines have already received the 8 cents per mile and are running. They include Con-Agg, Texas Aggregate and Hastings. However, 90 percent remain shut down, he said.

All of the trucks of ficially refused to roll last Monday except Dailey and Holland lines, according to a spokesman at Texas Industries, Inc. (TXI). Some did not run Saturday and Sunday.

The industry is pending results from a meeting held in Altair, Tuesday, May 15. "It looks like someone will start paying the eight cents today," LaMont said. Con-Agg is hiring more trucks and it looks really good for the independent truck owners, he said.

The truckers just could not live any longer on what permit carriers paid us, LaMont said. "We're getting a percent of the truck rate from the permit holders," not from the railroad commission who set the rates for the trucking community. "We (the drivers) wouldn't know what we were getting until we hauled the load and received a pay check two weeks later," LaMont said.

Railroad Commission governs the minimum rate only to the permit holders. Permit holders return, hire the independent trucker. The independent trucker is not part of the Railroad Commission, LaMont said.

To date, the truckers have been out for two weeks. Some permit holders say that they are not going to give anything. Private carriers are in the process of composing their own trucking organization similar to that of the permit holders' Sand and Gravel Association, LaMont said.

It will be a state wide organization which currently has 500 members. The Independent Truckers Association is seeking legal representation.

In the meantime, the truckers will have to wait for results of local meeting, LaMont said. The rates have been getting cut for the last seven months. "Yesterday (May 15) \$29 trucks turned off in the area; 40 percent were repossessed by banks in the area," he said. "In this instance, the independent trucker purchased their own rig and went broke because their is simply not enough money."

'Free' day scheduled; pool donations needed

The Eagle Lake Community Pool is open for a "free afternoon of FUN" from 1:30 to 6 p.m. May 28. There will be a short program observing the opening of the pool. Pre-season passes will be \$30 for one person; \$55 for two people, and \$75 for three or more. On May 29 these passes will go up \$10. Pick up your passes at the pool. The daily pass will be \$2 for everyone. Two pre-schoolers will be admitted free with one paying adult swimmer. Non-swimmers must be accompanied by an adult. Come dressed for swimming, bring an old towel, and be seven years old and be able to swim.

The pool may be reserved by any group for \$30 for up to 20 people plus one lifeguard.

The pool manager is Wayne Zimmerman and you may call him at 234-2286 regarding any information or tickets for the pool or you may see his wife, Colleen, at the Custom Shoppe. Tickets may also be purchased at A. J. Squires Auto Supply.

There will be three lifeguards. The manager and lifeguards are there for your protection and we expect everyone to observe the few posted rules," said the pool committee.

The pool committee would like to express our thanks to the Lions Club for taking on the task of renovating the pool house and grounds. They loaned us Jim Nachlinger and his volunteers and they have spent many long, hard hours working at the pool. Also, thanks to the City for having the pool put in order; the City crew for all of their "off" hours and assistance; to the Mexican Americans for all the work they have done with their benefit dances in our behalf; Irving Williams Plumbing Company for all his time and assistance; Dairy Queen for making benches; the school for making gates; Lone Star Industries for sand to use for sandblasting; Coastal Contractors for sandblasting equipment; Superior Sand and Gravel for the gravel; All Ways and Mike Gonzalez for hauling gravel; Jim Hamilton offering to spray for bugs; Commercial Electric for wiring and lights; Don Bandy for legal services; Ralph Truly for appraisal work; VFW; neighboring cities for their assistance; Mrs. W. W. Anderson of Columbus for the many calls for help; and certainly to the McCreary family for the land and money. Without them some of this would have been a reality.

The pool committee has worked very hard just to get this pool open for the public and we need your help and support during the summer months if we are to continue to generate money for next year and to continue our improvements.

This property is open to the public's use, but we ask that you please keep it clean and refrain from tearing up what we worked so hard to offer for your use.

Enjoy the summer with us. Revitalize Eagle Lake, Inc., the pool committee.

Two county extension agents are hired; new road discussed

Peggy Kalina and Veronica Hundt both from Wharton were hired as the new Extension Home Economist Leader and Extension 4-H Youth Agent for the Colorado County, respectively. The women were presented to Colorado County Commissioners' Court members Monday, May 14 by Mrs. Frederica Seaman, District Extension Agent.

Kalina holds a Bachelor of Science degree from Texas Tech University. She was previously employed as a home economics teacher in Sealy for 2 years and as a 4-H Extension Agent in Howard County. She will be earning \$23,000 annually.

Hundt is a recent graduate of Sam Houston State University receiving a Bachelor of Arts degree in teaching with a major in home economics education. Her starting salary is \$17,200.

The Commissioners Court agreed to allocate an additional \$2,000 for salary purposes which aids in composing the total amount contributed from 16 other counties in the extension service district. The County originally allotted \$2,150 for their share of the salary cut. Colorado County is the lowest contributor to the base pay of the extension agents, according to Seaman.

The rest of their salary will be covered from district counties, state and federal government allocations. Colorado County will cover a total of \$4,412 for Kalina's salary and \$2,380 for Hundt's salary.

Commissioners also agreed to increase the agents' traveling expenses to \$200 per month, per each extension agent. This is an increase of \$30 per month.

Both Kalina and Hundt will start their new positions effective June 1.

In other matters at commissioners' court members tabled action in regard to a road to be constructed to approach a private property location, either from a south or north entrance.

According to Judge Cranek, there are certain procedures to follow to make a new road, including a signed petition from eight free-holders in a posted notice displaying the action at both the courthouse and site locations. The site location must be posted by a law officer, Cranek said.

The judge will then appoint a five member jury commission who will return notify persons who have property rights that the proposed road will affect. They all will meet to discuss the feasibility of the road and its cost to the county.

One petition has yet to reach maturity date. The issue will be discussed in detail at the Commissioners' Court meeting scheduled for June 12.

Charles Trefney, of Columbus asked commission members to allow state authorities to survey land to enable home and property owners to have their land classified as "prime land" zones if they qualify. Cranek informed court members that having land designated as "prime" will not lead to an increase in land taxes.

Commissioner Otto Loucas asked with Trefney that it is an owner's right to have his land classified. Commissioner Billy Stiles expressed a disadvantage to the matter: Why spend about \$200,000 of tax money to benefit about 1 percent of the population, he said.

Malton Zuehlke of Conroe. Memorial contributions may be made to the Eagle Lake Community Hospital. Arrangements were under the direction of Dulany Funeral Home.

Dr. J. R. Day held in 1973. According to a page one article in the Eagle Lake Headlight on May 1, 1973, more than 700 area residents honored Dr. Laughlin by attending a "Dr. J. R. Appreciation Day," held at the community center on April 29, 1973. Harold Thomas was master of ceremonies. Here are excerpts from that article:

"A young red-headed doctor came to Eagle Lake in 1951 having just finished his internship, looking for a place to practice. He was one of the people of Eagle Lake and the surrounding communities are gathered today to say thanks to this young doctor, and try to let him know how much we appreciate the work that he has done and the many, many people that he has taken care of over the years. It certainly wasn't easy."

Thomas went on to tell about one of the hardships of the day, "it was in the time of the depression and shortly after he came here we had a hurricane — that didn't help the situation any — in fact I believe that if he had let the money to get out of town, he probably would have left about that time."

He told of the difficulty in transportation and the trials of practicing medicine in a community in which there was no hospital. Thus it was that Dr. J. R. on his own initiative built what is now Eagle Lake Community Hospital, but was in that time known as the Freepport, Texas, and



Dr. J. R. Laughlin Sr. buried here Saturday

Dr. John Reagan Laughlin, Sr., 79, died Thursday, May 10, at Memorial Southwest Hospital in Houston following a long illness. Funeral services were conducted at 2 p.m. Saturday, May 12, at the First Baptist Church of Eagle Lake, with the Rev. Melburn Sibbey officiating. Burial was in Lakeside Cemetery.

Dr. Laughlin was born January 30, 1905, in Eddy, Texas, a son of the late John R. and Ola Connally Laughlin. He moved to Eagle Lake in 1932, and on August 19, 1935, married Bonnie Garrett. He was a member of the First Baptist Church and a member of the Eagle Lake Lodge No. 366 AF & AM for almost 50 years.

Survivors include his wife; three sons, John Reagan Laughlin Jr. of Houston, Richard Lee Laughlin of Rock Island, and Dr. Charles Curtis Laughlin of Eagle Lake; a sister, Elizabeth Kollman of Oklahoma City; two brothers, Sam Laughlin of Artesia, New Mexico, and Dr. J. C. Laughlin of Eagle Lake; 10 grandchildren; one great grandson, and numerous nieces and nephews. He also was preceeded in death by a brother, Boyd Laughlin who lived in Midland, Texas.

Palbearers were W. C. Alley, Bob Ashby, Ted Brunner and Billy Stiles of Eagle Lake; Dr. J. B. Cook of Flatonia, Mike Garrett of Hempstead, Tom Laughlin of Houston and Dan Schuhmann of East Bernard. Honorary palbearers were Jim Clippson, Sr., Cal Gesten, Charles Stevens, Sr., Harold Thomas, Dr. Raymond R. Thomas, David R. Winterman, Tommy Pilkington, Joe D. Luna, Dan Thornton, Wayne Corman and Ken Craig, of Eagle Lake, John Carroll of Palestine, Texas, Aubrey Williams of Freepport, Texas, and