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1 package Holly Farms Boneless Chicken Thigh Fillets
1/4 cup soy sauce
2 tablespoons dry sherry
2 tablespoons orange marmalade
2 teaspoons cornstarch
2 teaspoons minced gingerroot or 1/2 teaspoon ground ginger
1/2 teaspoon crushed red pepper flakes
2 to 4 tablespoons peanut oil, divided
1/2 cup walnut halves
2 cloves garlic, minced
1 onion, coarsely chopped
1 green pepper, seeded and chopped
1 can (8 oz.) sliced water chestnuts, drained
1 package (6 oz.) frozen pea pods, thawed
Cut thigh fillets into 1/2-inch strips and place in large glass bowl. Combine next six ingredients, pour over chicken and stir to coat. Heat 1 tablespoon oil in wok or large skillet. Add walnuts and stir-fry over high heat 1 minute. Remove with slotted spoon and drain on paper towel. Add remaining 1 to 3 tablespoons oil, garlic, onion, and green pepper to wok, and stir-fry 2 to 3 minutes. Push to side, add chicken and marinade and stir-fry 2 to 3 minutes. Add water chestnuts, pea pods and reserved walnuts. Mix all ingredients well and stir-fry 2 to 3 minutes, or until heated through. Serve over hot cooked rice.
Makes 6-8 servings.
Preparation and cooking time: Approximately 25 minutes
Recipe from: Holly Farms Complete Chicken Cookbook

ORANGE GLAZED CHICKEN
1 package Holly Farms® Nuggets
1/4 cup honey
1 tablespoon steak sauce
Place chicken on broiler pan. Combine remaining ingredients. Spoon half of glaze over chicken. Broil 2 inches from flames 2 to 3 minutes. Turn chicken; spoon on remaining glaze. Broil additional 3 minutes until chicken is done and slightly browned. Serve with pan juices.
Serves 4.

Council hopefuls want to serve city

Although the annual Eagle Lake council election is its usual, quiet affair, there are five men and women vying for the three seats available this year.

Incumbents Alvin Kohleffel and Mike Duncan have won easy re-election without opposition in recent years. But, one of the other three candidates will be seated since one-term councilman Dub Alley did not seek re-election.

The three are Peggy Byn, Lena Hutchinson and Joe Duncan.

Hutchinson said Monday she filed for election because "I think people need to get involved" in the city, and that residents here need "to have someone on council that will meet and talk with them, then represent their views to the others on council." She has never sought public office before.

She and her husband Daniel operate the Key Oil station on Bothe Drive opposite the Sportsman's Restaurant, and have just recently purchased a gravel trailer and truck which they both will drive. They are the parents of 10-year-old twin girls, a four-year-old girl and seven-month-old boy.

"We live here and I want to see the city improve," she said, adding that "I really want to try" to be a good representative for the residents; a city just isn't a council or a mayor, she said, but is "city residents telling council what they want."

When asked what she might suggest the city do differently, she voiced several opinions. One is that she feels the gravel industry, especially the truckers, have an undesired bad name. Businesses, she said, are now finding out what it's like not to have the drivers here. She agreed that business is slower here now since demand in the gravel industry is slack. She suggested that truckers should be allowed to drive their rigs home at night, loaded, as long as they park in their own driveways.

She also said that she doesn't think taxes here are too high. But, she said, she thinks the city could do more patching to the street system.

Duncan, who operates the Duncan and Son clothing store on Main St. with his wife Martha, also has never sought public office, but decided to become a candidate this year because he wanted to get more involved in a community activity.

Another reason, he said Tuesday, was that he feels the business community ought to have a little more representation. "I'm not out to change anything, really," he said, emphasizing that if residents and businessmen expect more from the city, it will cost them. "If residents want more services from the city, like more street lights or additional road construction and repair, it will take more taxes," he said.

Kohleffel, who has served the city as a councilman here for 24 years, said he wants to continue serving residents, for the betterment of the city. "If something comes up that is better for the city, then I'll support it," he said Tuesday. The city is in good financial condition, he said, and he wants to continue his service of helping citizens solve problems they might have with the city.

Council candidate Byn was unable to contact the Headlight for an interview, and Duncan was out of town Tuesday morning.

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And in another report, commissioners learned that although the new tax assessor was installed last week, the county still has the hopes of improving police communications in the far reaches of the county, authorities discovered there was no improvement at all. While the tax assessor was being "tuned" said he was going to Waco on Tuesday to pick up the part for the radio, to give it the 350 watts needed.

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Council approves new year budget

The budget for the city's next financial year that starts Monday, received official approval Tuesday night by city council.

With one exception, it was unchanged from the financial projections made two weeks ago. Before council was asked to approve the budget and set the tax rate, a public hearing was held but only one resident, assistant fire chief T.J. Atten-

The change that was made was on the recommendation of Smith and chief Sonny Spaniel. The department will receive \$4,000 of the city's revenue starting money for purchase of new hose, and perhaps for its new equipment to recharge existing equipment.

The new tax rate approved Tuesday night is 25-cents per \$100 assessed valuation; that is an increase of about three percent, and will be used to figure tax bills issued this fall that become payable by January 31, 1986. Later this year, after the county central appraisal district updates the tax rolls, council may have to increase or decrease the rate, depending on the new assessed valuation.

In other business, council accepted a bid of \$2,595 for a new 3M copier, to replace the old unit in city hall.

Agreed with city manager Robert Klockman that the city reject an application by the Back Door which sought to build a rear entryway and covered area for picnic tables at the business on Main Street, across from Miller's Grocery.

Under provisions of the city's fire ordinance, the city and the business will appoint a committee to work on the application.

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Bunny, egg hunt are scheduled here

The annual visit to Eagle Lake of the Easter Bunny is on for this Saturday, March 30, while Rice Drug Store's annual Easter Egg Hunt is planned the following Saturday, April 6.

The visit of the bunny is sponsored by the retail trade development committee of the Chamber of Commerce.

Shoppers who want to see the Easter Bunny before he prepares for his Easter Eve visit to homes to fill Easter baskets can line up at the municipal building from 10 a.m. to noon.

Providence Baptist to have fish fry

Members of the Providence Baptist Church have scheduled a Fish Fry this Friday and Saturday, in the church's cafeteria.

Serving will begin at 11 a.m. both mornings, and the public is invited. The activity will help the church raise funds.

Coby Shorter Jr., is Pastor.

Little League needs coaches

With Little League season fast approaching, president Jim Wiesse said this week coaches are needed for the coming season, as are workers and cash donations for the annual opening-day barbecue on May 4.

Also, Wiesse said there has been one change in the try-out schedule this Saturday. Because of the 7th and 8th grade track meet at the Middle School, the gym will not be available.

Therefore, girls major league players should meet at 9 p.m. at the Little League Field. Here is the rest of the tryout schedule: boys majors, 10 a.m. at Little League field; boys minors, 1 p.m. at Little League field. Tryouts for T-Ball will be held Saturday. T-Ball players should report to the Little League field for instructions. All team selections will be made that day.

Registration fees must be paid by this Saturday between 9 a.m. and 10 a.m., before a player can try out. Fees are the same as last year: individual registration is \$15 and for a family \$25, if paid before tryouts. After tryouts the individual fee is \$30 and the family fee is \$50.

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