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Crime Stoppers to solicit funds

Crime Stoppers of Eagle Lake is launching an effort to raise funds from local businesses and individuals. President John Perry announced Tuesday.

This Friday, Jan. 31, members of the Crime Stoppers of Eagle Lake board of directors will be going from business to business in town, soliciting membership contributions. Individual contributions will be accepted as well.

The organization, which uses its funds for information relating to police investigations, is asking for a \$25 contribution from businesses. Membership includes a Crime Stoppers window poster proclaiming the

business a member. Two bumper stickers, four telephone stickers and Crime Stoppers literature also will be given out.

For a \$5 donation from individuals, Crime Stoppers is giving a bumper sticker and two telephone stickers.

"The success of the Crime Stoppers program in Eagle Lake depends on our ability to pay cash for information. And the cash we receive comes from you, the citizens of Eagle Lake," Perry said.

"The benefits of this program can only be as great as what is put into it, so we are asking businesses and people of the community to give to Crime Stoppers," Perry added.



Garwood School gets Flag

Four generations of the L.V. Crane Sr. family, on horseback, delivered the Texas Sesquicentennial Flag to the Garwood School at 8:50 a.m. Monday, January 27th. The flag was presented to Student Council president Chris Rodriguez and then hoisted with the United States and Texas Flags to be flown at the school during the Sesquicentennial year.

Saturday, January 25, the Sesquicentennial flags were presented to community representatives in an impressive ceremony in Columbus by Crockett Leyendecker, chairman of the county sesquicentennial committee.

In the photo above, Louis Crane Jr., Louis Crane Sr., age 91, and James "Cotton" Crane parade with the flags. They were joined by Louis' other son, Gary Crane with his son Garrett, one year old, Cotton's son Hank, and Larry Crane's son Cody in delivering the flag to the school. Four generations of the Cranes spanning 90 years made an quite a group delivering the Sesquicentennial Flag.

Short talks at the school were made by Leyendecker, county judge Lester J. Crane and Mary E. Hopkins, community chairman.



At 6-0, RHS girls leading pack

With only three games remaining in District 26-3A girls basketball, the Rice Raider varsity team has taken a giant step down the state playoff road by compiling an undefeated record in its first six games.

The team beat Yoakum last Friday night, is far ahead of second place Columbus with a 4-2 record. Coach Mike Tankersly, when asked what he thought his team's prospects were for state playoffs, said Monday that "We sure have a good shot at going to Austin...we are as good as anyone else in the region."

The team beat Yoakum last Friday night on the road, 41-31. At the end of the first quarter, the girls held a three-point lead, and by half time, had widened that to seven points.

Team leader Emeda Clayton, Varsity boys looking for first district win

The Rice Raider boys basketball team, through play last Friday night, still is looking for its first district win. In Yoakum last Friday, the Raider varsity boys came close with a 57-46 loss.

The boys opened the season with a close 71-74 loss to Hallettsville, then dropped a 50-71 game to the Columbus Cardinals. They play the Cardinals again this Friday night in Columbus.

The Raider boys lost to Gonzales, 49-64, and to Edna, 44-48.

Here are the statistics on Friday's Yoakum game:

Player	FG	FT	F	TP
Jimmy Bolard, Sr.	5	0/1	0	10
James Williams, Soph.	2	0/0	0	4
Curt McFar, Soph.	4	4/4	5	12
Marcus Wilson, Soph.	4	2/3	1	10
Arthur Foster, Jr.	2	3/4	1	7
Derrick Stevens, Soph.	7	0/0	4	14
TEAM TOTALS	24	9/12	11	57

PLAYERS	FG	FT	F	TP
Yolanda Stephens	7	2/10	1	16
Masha McTeer	3	0/0	3	6
Carrie Perry	1	1/2	2	5
Traci Klein	1	0/0	0	2
Christa Kutner	1	0/0	0	2
TEAM TOTALS	13	5/12	8	20
Other Players: Carrie Israel, Jackie Thorn, Shannon Pustejovsky and Danna Fudge				

Score by Quarters:	1	2	3	4	Total
Rice	11	15	15	20	61
Yoakum	14	18	18	16	66

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only a junior, scored 13 points, making all but one in field goals.

The team suffered a bout with the flu last week, but Tankersly said he hopes that will have run its course by the end of this week, when the Raider women face Columbus Friday night on the Cardinal court. Tuesday night the team will host Gonzales on Tuesday in Raider Gym then travel to Edna on Friday, February 7.

Looking at the regional playoff system, Tankersly doesn't foresee any stumbling blocks his team keeps playing its current style of basketball. You can't let down just because you think the opponent is less talented than you are, coaches have been known to say repeatedly.

Here are the statistics from Friday night's contest:

ELMS teams have winning season records

The 7th grade Eagle Lake Middle School boys basketball team finished its season Monday night with a loss to Columbus, 55-035.

The 8th grade team topped the Cardinals 18-12 and complete their season next week with A and B games in Wharton.

It was a successful campaign for the 7th grade players who compiled a 7-6 season record. The 8th grade record stands at 9-5.

Here are the results of Monday's games:

7th Grade "A" vs. Columbus	Points	Rebounds
Yoakum	20	6
Yoakum	15	7
Yoakum	5	7
Yoakum	4	5
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