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## Rice varsity teams to participate in track meet in Rockdale

The Rice varsity boys recently competed in a track meet held at Blinn Junior College in Brenham. Wayne Yell finished second in the 200 meter run with a time of 23.6. He also placed fifth in the 100 meter run with a time of 11.1. Michael Rhodes competed in the shot put and placed third with his throw of 46 feet. The 400 meter relay team consisting of Davard Purdue, Vance Corman, Douglas Tillman and Wayne Yell placed fifth with a time of 43.9.

## New football officials sought

The Houston chapter of the Southwest Football Officials Association has announced its 1987 membership drive. The Houston chapter services more than 400 schools in 100 school districts and is constantly in need of new members. Special emphasis is being placed on recruiting applicants from outlying areas such as Montgomery, Fort Bend, Brazoria, Chambers, Waller, Grimes, Austin, Wharton and Colorado counties, as well as Harris County.

The first meeting for those interested in joining will be next Monday, March 16, at 7 p.m. in Auditorium No. 1 of Agnes Arnold Hall at the University of Houston. If unable to attend, call Ron Doak at 558-8222, or Bob Connell, 465-2195, for future meeting dates. All meetings are held at the University of Houston.

The association is the largest such group in the United States and hopes to become larger. Last year 84 new members were recruited and at least that many are sought this year. New applicants will join under the associate program and will be given in-depth training on and off the field. Mechanics, rules and all aspects of becoming a certified football official will be covered. The cost to join is \$15 for rule books and application processing. Associates can work as many as up to 10 or more sub-varsity games per week. Payment is between \$15 to \$23 per game.

Officiating is an excellent part-time profession for students seeking to earn extra money for college, or for others seeking to supplement other income. Associates entering the program for 1987 will participate in spring varsity scrimmages under the guidance of experienced officials. Those joining will be trained to become a part of a three-man officiating crew for the fall football season.

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### First Lady to be revealed Saturday

The identity of the First Lady of the Year in Eagle Lake will be revealed this Saturday, March 14 at a tea in her honor. Mr. and Mrs. W.L. Bauer have graciously offered the use of their home for this year's Lady of the Year tea, a project sponsored annually by the two local chapters of Beta Sigma Phi. Selected by a secret vote of Alpha Delta Phi and Xi Pi Psi members, the lady chosen will receive a certificate of recognition for outstanding contributions to Eagle Lake. Also invited to the tea as special honored guests are past First Ladies of the Year including Judy Austin, Fair Wells, Hattie Mae Dromgoole, Rose Lane, Elizabeth Boothe, Eula Wintermann, Laurie Matthews, Elle Thomas, Charlene Spanibel, Ethel Kovacka, Esther Sunderman and Helen Farris. Past First Lady Ida Causey, deceased, will also be remembered for her outstanding contributions to Eagle Lake. Gail Guthman, president of Alpha Delta Phi, and Ernie Sommerlatte, Xi Pi Psi president, will preside at the presentation of this year's recipient.

### Appraisal District in Eagle Lake

Representatives from the Colorado County Central Appraisal District will be in Eagle Lake at City Hall on Wednesday, March 18 from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. and in Garwood at Hopkins Rice Office on Thursday, March 19 from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. to take readings for 1987 taxes for the county, Rice CISD, city of Eagle Lake and Colorado County Water Control and Improvement District #2.

### ELMS track meet Saturday

The Eagle Lake Middle School will be hosting their annual relayss this Saturday, March 14 (weather permitting). Field events will begin at 9 a.m. followed by the running events at 10 a.m. Seventh and eighth grade girls' and boys' teams from Columbus, El Campo, Edna and Eagle Lake will compete. Garwood and Sheridan also will be represented. Fans are encouraged to attend and support their teams.

### Tickets available for comedy

Tickets are still available for the comedy spoof *The Butler Did It* with performances scheduled for March 27 and 28. Tickets may be acquired by giving a donation of \$5 to Prairie Edge Museum at the following places: Eagle Lake Drugs, First National Bank, JoAnn's, Johnny's Sport Shop and Prairie Edge Museum. They also may be acquired from many of the board members. The donation is tax deductible.

### Two LCRA Bastrop parks reopen

The Lower Colorado River Authority reopened two of its Lake Bastrop parks in March. LCRA's North Shore Park reopened March 9 and Observation Area Park on March 1. Both parks had been closed during the winter for repairs. A third facility, the South Shore Park, has remained open year-round. All three parks are located near Bastrop. Admission is \$2 per vehicle to either the North Shore or South Shore parks, said Jim Wofford, planner for LCRA's Land Policy and Programs Division. Persons 12 or older pay an additional \$1 fee, and there are fees for camping and boating. The Observation Area Park is open only during the daylight and picnic sites are available free of charge to the public.

### Mammography saving more lives

Community Hospital to offer discount mammogram

Eagle Lake Community Hospital announced it will offer a discounted mammogram exam for \$50 during the week of March 23-27. Normally the cost of the exam is \$103. This is a screening program strongly recommended by the American Cancer Society.

The make an appointment please call Eagle Lake Community Hospital Radiology Department and speak with Peggy Dietrich R.R.T. The number is 234-5571, ext. 237 and call between 7 a.m. and 3 p.m. Monday through Friday. The most commonly used method of mammography is called xeroradiography. It provides a particularly clear picture of the structures of the breast and can detect abnormalities smaller than one millimeter. Eagle Lake Community Hospital has been performing xeromammograms since April 1983, thanks to a generous donation by the Eagle Lake Hospital Auxiliary. The American Cancer Society predicts that one out of 11 women will develop breast cancer during her life. Every 15 minutes, three women develop breast cancer and one woman dies of the disease. Chances of a cure are excellent when breast cancer is detected and treated early, while the tumor is still small. Mammography, together with monthly self-breast examination by the women and the annual examination by the physician, provides the best means of early detection. After the exam, Dr. O.P. Copeland, the radiologist, will read the exam and a report will be sent to the patient's doctor.

## Burglary cleared; two sentenced

Eagle Lake police have cleared a weekend burglary here. Also, two men police arrested in separate investigations last year were sentenced in district court Tuesday to state prison terms. In the burglary, Wanda Henry reported on Saturday morning that her trailer home in the Lakeside Las subdivision had been burglarized the night before. According to the police report about \$1,000 worth of personal property was taken. Tuesday Eagle Lake police chief Ben Johnson said two juveniles had been taken into custody in the case, and that all material had been recovered. The thieves entered the home through an unsecured front door, police said.

In the district court sentencing, Ray Charles Coleman was sentenced to 20 years in a state prison for two charges of delivery of cocaine. His term calls for at least five years in the state facility. Also sentenced was Melvin Lester Simms of Matthews, who was charged with aggravated assault with a deadly weapon of Gregory Pope, also known as Gregory Cleveland. Simms was given a 10 year sentence, but was made a candidate for shock probation if behavior warrants. That means he could be released on probation within 180 days.

## Defensive driving course March 16-17

Colorado County Farm Bureau has scheduled a defensive driving course for March 16 and 17 beginning at 6:30 a.m. each night. The class will be held at the Colorado County Farm Bureau office, 1117 Travis, in Columbus. For more information, call 732-2383.

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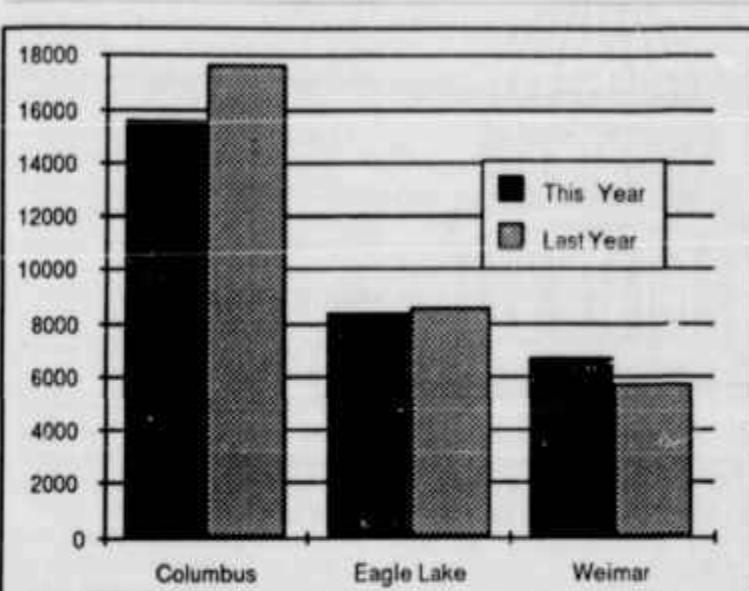
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## January sales here about even

Retail sales in Eagle Lake this past January were almost the same as a year ago, according to figures released by the state. In Columbus, sales for the month decreased, and in Weimar, sales were up. The information is based on sales tax reports made to the state last month for January retail sales. The city receives a penny for each dollar spent in Eagle Lake. From January sales, that penny amounted to \$8,407.59. Last year, the amount was \$8,332.50. The taxes collected in January are reported to the state by February 20 and turned over to the cities in early March. For the first three months, Eagle Lake has received 11.5 percent less than it received last year. In Columbus, January sales produced \$15,528 for the city, while a year ago the figure was \$17,692.33. For the year, Columbus has received 2.1 percent less than in 1986. In Weimar, January sales produced \$6,661.32 for the city, while a year ago the figure was \$5,674.13. For the year, Weimar has received 7.0 percent less than in 1986. In Austin County, January sales tax collections for Sealy were down to \$13,556, from \$19,133 a year ago, in Bellville, the local portion of the receipts were down to \$9,178 compared to \$11,474 a year ago.

## Special prosecutor may be named in Broussard case; pre-trial hearing set

A special prosecutor probably will be named to take over state responsibilities in the legal actions involving Colorado County sheriff Jim Broussard who has been indicted by the Colorado County Grand Jury. District attorney Bud Kirkendall said Monday he will file papers in Columbus this week notifying the court he is disqualifying himself from the case. The special prosecutor, if named, will be Jim Vollers, a former assistant attorney general, former state attorney and former judge of the court of criminal appeals. Kirkendall said Vollers has been working with him for the past couple of weeks. Kirkendall, Vollers, Tom Blackwell who is the appointed judge who will hear the case, and Broussard's attorney Houston Munson, met in Columbus this past Tuesday for a pre-trial conference to discuss future court dates.

A pre-trial hearing was scheduled for Thursday, April 23, at 1 p.m., to hear any motions that might be made in the case. The men also agreed to set aside April 2 for a hearing should one be needed. Kirkendall is withdrawing from the case because of allegations that he conducted the Broussard investigation on a motive of political vendetta. The charge was leveled by some of those watching the case develop last year, including Broussard because he said he supported Munson in the political campaign. Voters chose Kirkendall over Munson in the last district attorney election. Munson had been district attorney for 1.3 district for more than a decade. The D.A. also said he believes he will be called as a witness, and ethics prevent him from acting as an attorney in the case, and serving as a witness.

## Mrs. W.H. Harrison named 'First Lady of Year'

Last year's Lady of the Year, Mrs. Helen Farris, attributes Mrs. Harrison with much credit for knowledge she obtained while researching the site of the Farris 1912 in order to obtain its historical marker. The newly named First Lady's latest contribution to Colorado County is her work on the Colorado County Chronicle which arrived from the publisher in December. She was among a small group of dedicated people who worked very hard to produce a permanent memento and her name appears among the credits as one of the contributing authors. The Harrison's work with the Eagle Lake Civic Garden Club has been yet another standout in support of the community. Due to their generosity we all will enjoy the Harrison Park, the beautifully landscaped area on the Highway 90A Bypass, for many years to come. The First Lady also is very active in the Eagle Lake Study Club and the First Baptist Church as well as many other civic activities with her efforts being spent in making Eagle Lake a town of which its citizens can be proud.



Mrs. W.H. Harrison, center, was named Saturday as the 1987 "First Lady of the Year." At left is Ernie Sommerlatte, president of the Phi Sorority, and at right is Mrs. Gail Guthman, president of Alpha Delta Phi Sorority. Also present at special guests Spanibel, Mrs. Esther Sunderman, Mrs. Elle Thomas and Mrs. Fair Elizabeth Boothe, Mrs. Helen Farris, Mrs. Rose Lange, Mrs. Cherylme, Mrs. Eula Thomas and Mrs. Fair Elizabeth Boothe, Mrs. Helen Farris, Wells.

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### Christian women's luncheon March 24

The Christian Women's spring luncheon has been scheduled for Tuesday, March 24 at 10:30 a.m. at the United Methodist Church. The program will include a dramatization of the Book of Esther from the Old Testament with Mrs. Roselyn Cogburn portraying Esther. Mrs. Cogburn will present herself in costume, so those present can really see Eagle and re-live her experiences. Tickets at \$6 (advanced sales only) are available from Evelyn Thomas or Linda Balas.

### Car wash scheduled March 28

The Mt. Carmel Baptist Church will be sponsoring a car wash on March 28 at the First National Bank from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. and a musical at 8 p.m. at the Mt. Carmel Baptist Church. Bring your car in for a wash and vacuum for only \$5. On March 29 at 2:30 p.m. there will be an evening service to climax the fundraising drive.

### Blood drive April 17 in Sheridan

The Sheridan Lions Club is sponsoring a community blood drive at the Community Center in Sheridan on Friday, April 17 from 1 to 8 p.m. Anyone interested in giving blood can call Jean Walker at 234-3061 to make an appointment or just drop by during the time mentioned above to donate blood.

### Bass tournament March 28

Johnny's Sport Shop sponsored a bass tournament Saturday morning at Johnny's Sport Shop lake. Sixteen people participated in the early morning event with Adam Perez winning the prize for biggest fish with a three-pound bass and Larry "Pinto" Broesche winning the biggest stringer prize. This tournament is the first of several to be sponsored by Johnny's Sport Shop this spring. The next tournament will be held on Saturday, March 28 at 1:30 p.m. For more details on future tournaments, call or come by Johnny's Sport Shop.

### School board candidate forum

A school board forum, sponsored by the Rice Classroom Teachers Association, will be held at 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, April 2 at the Eagle Lake Middle School. The public is asked to come hear the candidates running for election to the Rice CISD school board.

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### Council hears budget requests

Two requests for funds were made to Eagle Lake City council last week. Council is working on the next budget year, which begins April 1. Clark Powers, representing the Little League, asked for \$10,000. He said the Little League generally receives \$2000 from United Way, but has only received \$500 this year. He sees little hope in receiving much more from the United Way, since contributions have not been plentiful. The request for funds stems from the large increase in the insurance premiums for the little league. It has jumped from \$700 to \$1,200 this year. A second request, presented by city manager Bob Klockman, was from Roy Dean Van Nor, president of Revitalize Eagle Lake, Inc. In order to maintain the public swimming pool opening this summer, it is necessary to purchase new chlorinators. The pool operated last summer with the old chlorinators causing a large expense to the organization and Van Nor feels the new system will reduce the expense of operating the pool. Council met again this Tuesday to continue budget work.



That bump you should remember if you ever drove down West Main street has disappeared. Last week city crews graded the bump in the concrete and filled the hole with asphalt. The work was just one of the many improvements which have been made in city streets in conjunction with the street program approved by voters a year ago.

### Surplus food Thursday

Combined Community Action (CCA) will distribute USDA surplus food in Eagle Lake this Thursday, March 25, CCA will distribute surplus food in Weimar at Weimar City Hall from 10:30 a.m. to noon. Community Center, 903 Preston in Columbus this Thursday from 9:30-11:30 a.m. On Wednesday, March 25, CCA will distribute surplus food in Weimar at Weimar City Hall from 10:30 a.m. to noon. They also will be at the CCA.

### New game warden in Columbus

David Perry assumed duties as state game warden in Colorado County on February 1, 1987 replacing Leo Kohleff. Perry transferred from Brazoria County where he had been stationed for 14 years as state game warden. He was raised in the San Angelo area and graduated from Angelo State University at San Angelo. David, his wife and three children live in the Columbus area.

