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Little League team rosters for 1987 season

Team rosters for the 1987 Eagle Lake Little League season are as follows:

Major League Baseball

Cubs: John Thomas, coach; Stephen Angus, Freddy Aviles, Chris Burrow, Adrian Carroll, Corey Foster, Will Frazer, Tony Garcia, Lupe Hernandez, Shawn Johnson, James Lewis, Ryan Meehan, Donald Samora, Eddie Strube, Ryan Thomas.

Dodgers: Jim Wiese, coach; Jason Brunner, Clay Dietsch, Marcus Dogins, George Hernandez, Parish Hodges, Jaime Green, Roy Morales, Donald Obenhaus, Jason Rodriguez, Cam Muzny, Juan Roque, Brandon Wiese, Chris Weeks.

Pirates: Kado Powell and Charles Garrett, coaches; Manuel Alvarado, Michael Cerda, Fernando Garcia, Scott Garrett, Eddie Garza, Gregory Hernandez, Shawn Hurd, Scot Jones, Sebastian Munoz, Ricardo Roque, Enrest Sims, Derek Sosa, Richard Thomas, Richard Williams, Steven Polach, Travis Polach.

Yanks: Rick Ferrill, coach; Terris Alexander, Chris Almanza, Neil Broesche, Ricky Brown, Andres Cruz, Cash Ferrill, Carlos Gonzales, Joseph Middleton, Kevin Middleton, Wesley Perry, Broderick Stevenson, Chad Sunderman, Joseph Buitrago, Charyan Thomas.

Minor League Baseball

Sox: Delano Frnka and Chris Sommerlatte, coaches; Bennie Brown, Christian Cordova, Rudy Flores, Del Frnka, Marcos Munoz, Andre Plata, Jeremy Stevens, Jason Webb, Aaron Wilson.

Mets: Michael Grigar, Jack Vawter and Larry Rodgers, coaches; Michael Garza, Lance Grigar, Trey Kucherka, Timothy Powers, Justin Rodgers, Manuel Rodriguez, Bernard Sosa, Jared Vawter, Bradley Wiese.

Rangers: Jim Mathis and Archie Noska, coaches; Rocky Banks, Blake Canaris, Kyle Fink, Tim Luedecke, Brandon Mathis, Jason Noska, Oliver Shorter, Osvaldo Silva, Rossi Lujan, Guadalupe Villarreal.

T-Ball

Eagles: Larry Rodgers and Ernie Rodgers, coaches; Genice Brown, Jose Garza, Ralph Gertson, Sammi Gertson, Thomas Marsalia, Amanda Meehan, Frances Mrkwa, Kurt Rodgers, Vanessa Rodgers, Ben Turner, Jonathan Villarreal, Risa Waddell, Ryan Waddell.

Panthers: Larry Waddell and Case Hollub, coaches; Brian Cardenas, Jayenelle Carroll, Sean Dulany, Ariane Hollub, Timothy Lane, Stacie Mueller, Thomas Munoz, Stephanie Smith, Chuckie Stephens, Rochelle Teague, Nicholas Teague, LaShawna Thomas, Jason Waddell.

Tigers: Mike Grigar, Ray Obenhaus and Phillip Shindler, coaches; Rene Cano, Ginger Case, Lori Grigar, Donovan Long, DeeAnn Meehan, Amy Obenhaus, Angela Schuster, Holli Shindler, Coy Sunderman, Barrett Thomas, Jason Torres, Ricardo Vargas, Erica Wilkerson.

Raiders: Lucille Perry, coach; Brandon Besch, Jonathan Burrow, Marvin Garza, Brian Hadley, Michael Konesheck, Ruthie Long, Dale Obenhaus, Dawn Schwemm, Zachary Scott, Amber Sides, Amber Stevens, Nicole Teague, Britni Wood.

Bears: Curtis Wilson, coach; Francisco Aguilar, John Alley, Jarmarcus Brooks, Rebal Canaris, Fulton Dromgoole, Angela Gutierrez, Justin Jobe, Amy Kucherka, Jason Locklier, Michael Smith, Lisa Valigura, Brian Wied, Joshua Wilson.

Seventh grade boys capture district title

The Eagle Lake Middle School Raider boys participated in the district track meet this past Saturday, April 4 and came away with first place in the 7th grade division with 164 points and fifth in the 8th grade division with 54 points.

The 7th grade boys ended an undefeated track season to capture the district crown as they did in football and basketball. The eighth grade boys came in fifth with some fine individual performances. Leading the Raider teams were as follows:

7th Grade

Field Events: shot put, Jesse Scott, 40' 1/2", first place; discus, Merrill Tillman, 88', sixth; long jump, Reggie Donner, 17'9" second; high jump, Jesse Scott second; pole vault, Kevin Jackson, 8'6", first, and Patrick Middleton, 8", second.

Running Events: 400 meter relay team, K. Jackson, J. Scott, R. Donner, P. Middleton, 49.92, first place; 800 meter run, Lupe Rodriguez, 2:20.68, first, and Gonzalo DeLaGarza, 2:20.42, second; 110 meter hurdles, Patrick Middleton, 18.25, first; 100 meter dash, M. Tillman, 13.02, fifth; 400 meter dash, R. Donner, 58.41, first; 300 meter hurdles, Patrick Middleton, 46.48, first; 200 meter dash, Jesse Scott, 25.97, second, and Kevin Jackson, 28.03, sixth; 1600 meter run, G. DeLaGarza, 5:31.49, first, and Ronney Carroll, 6:10.71, sixth; 1600 meter relay team, R. Donner, J. Scott, L. Rodriguez, K. Jackson, 4:03.19, first.

8th Grade

Field Events: shot put, Marshan Norris, 45'7 1/2", second, and Kevin Dogins, 41'11 1/2", fourth; long jump, Marshan Norris, 16'8 1/2", fourth.

Running Events: 400 meter relay team, M. Norris, Johnny Gonzales, K. Williams, Hector Tapia, 49.19, fourth; 800 meter run, Jose Gonzalez, 2:21.03, fourth; 100 meter run, Hector Tapia, 12.33, sixth; 400 meter dash, Johnny Gonzales, 57.47, third; 1600 meter run, Jose Gonzalez, 5:13.67, first; 1600 meter relay team, M. Norris, Johnny Gonzales, K. Williams, W. Satsky, 4:12.21, fourth.

Coaches Jackson and Politsch congratulates both teams for a great track season. A special congratulations to the seventh graders for winning the district track title, their third title of the year, as they were the basketball and football champions as well. There were a lot of great performances throughout the year by both teams. The coaches thank all the people who helped make the track season and year in athletics a successful one. Let's look forward to next year for bigger and better things.

Seventh, eighth grade girls participate in district meet

The Eagle Lake Middle School girls track teams participated in the district track meet held in Brookshire this past weekend. Teams participating along with ELMS were Columbus, Sealy, Bellville, Royal and Hempstead. The seventh grade girls captured second place with 141 points and the eight grade girls brought home a fourth place with 73 points. Results are as follows:

7th Grade

Field Events: long jump, Melissa Guthman, 13'10 3/4", fourth, and Kristin Tillman, 13'4 1/2", sixth; high jump, Bonnie Benge, 4'4", and Shanna Brunner, 4'4", second; discus, Peri Ferguson, 61'7", sixth; triple jump, Bonnie Benge, 30'10 1/2", second, and Michele Owens, 28'2 3/4", sixth.

Running Events: 400 meter relay, Jackie McGrew, Lisa Barrow, Demetria Dancy, Kristin Tillman, 57.26, second; 800 meter run, Lisa Dromgoole, 2:46.71, second, and Mary Martinez, 2:51.31, fifth; 100 meter hurdles, Bonnie Benge, 17.16, first, and D.D. Valdez, 19.54, fourth; 100 meter dash, Melissa Guthman, 13.25, second; 800 meter relay, Jackie McGrew, Lisa Barrow, Demetria Dancy, Kristin Tillman, 2:02.90, second; 400 meter dash, Melissa Guthman, 60.29, second (school record), Laura Rodriguez, 72.98, fourth, and Mary Martinez, 72.99, fifth; 200 meter dash, Bonnie Benge, 29.15, second, Shanna Brunner, 31.63, sixth; 1600 meter run, Laura Rodriguez, 6:39.59, sixth; 1600 meter relay, Bonnie Benge, Sharm Brunner, Mary Martinez, Melissa Guthman, 4:35.33, first (school record).

8th Grade

Field Events: high jump, Tricia Thomas, 4'6", second, and Jackie Dromgoole, 4'6", fifth; discus, Patricia Martinez, 73' 1/2", fifth; triple jump, Jackie Dromgoole, 32'3 1/2", first, and Tricia Thomas, 30'1 1/4", fourth.

Running Events: 800 meter run, Natalie Cordova, 2:44.82, first (school record), and Trudie Morales, 2:54.26, sixth; 100 meter dash, Jackie Dromgoole, 13.40, first; 800 meter relay team, Tricia Thomas, Trudie Morales, Natalie Cordova, Jackie Dromgoole, 2:02.90, fifth; 400 meter dash, Jackie Dromgoole, 70.45, second; 1600 meter run, Natalie Cordova, 6:12.76, second (school record), and Trudie Morales, 6:39.15, third (personal best).

Coach McNeal reported there were many personal best performances by both the seventh and eighth grade girls. The girls are to be congratulated for their hard work, sportsmanship and great representation of Eagle Lake Middle School.

1986 Eagle Lake Middle School boys, girls track teams

7th Grade Girls

Back row, from left to right, Michele Kuykendall, Stacy Betancourt, Peri Ferguson, Bonnie Benge, Melissa Guthman, Michele Owens, Trudy Richter, Lisa Barrow, Kristin Tillman; middle row, from left, Kim Ashton, Isabelle Samora, Lisa Dromgoole, Shanna Brunner, Mary Martinez, Patricia Lares, D.D. Valdez, Jackie McGrew; front row, from left, Laura Rodriguez, Claudia Garcia, Bianca Cantu, Mystie Midkiff, Demetria Dancy. Not pictured, Lana Hutchison, Yaneth Benavides, Veronia Ruiz, Yesenia Rodriguez.

8th Grade Girls

From left to right, Krista Miller, Tricia Thomas, Patricia Martinez, Jackie Dromgoole, Natalie Cordova. Not pictured, Trudy Morales.

7th Grade Boys

Back row, from left to right, Reggie Donner, Jessie Scott, Merrill Tillman, Gonzalo DeLaGarza; middle row, from left, Kerry Sims, Felix Salinas, Richie Torres, Joe Rodriguez; front row, from left, Kevin Jackson, Lupe Rodriguez, Larry Flathmann. Not pictured, Patrick Middleton, Adrian Farrow, Alfred Torres, Roney Carroll.

8th Grade Boys

Back row, from left to right, Wade Satsky, Kevin Dogins, Marshan Norris, Jose Gonzalez, Hector Tapia, Patrick Powers; middle row, from left, Darryl Anderson, Greg Blair, Jason Dulany, Kevin Williams, Troy Sosa, Dustin Hengst, Matthew Wilson; front row, from left, Noble Anderson, Johnny Gonzales, Walt Meitzen, Michael Stovall.

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City to take bids on airport parcels

In a 3-2 split Tuesday night, Eagle Lake city council voted to test the waters to see if anyone is serious about buying some of the property at the Eagle Lake Municipal Airport.

Council is following through on its part of a commitment that eventually could lead to repaving the existing 50-foot wide North-South main runway. The action to seek bids is half of an agreement reached a month ago that is designed to improve the airport and bring new business into Eagle Lake. The other half is that Phillip Ferguson and his business partners sign an agreement to purchase and bring an aircraft maintenance business to the former Rice Aero hanger they purchased last year.

Tuesday's council meeting was a called session specifically to decide whether to advertise for bids on certain parcels at the airport. Council had received suggestions from the airport advisory committee, and from a council sub-committee on the airport, which outlined parcels those groups thought could be sold. More than 20 acres in eight parcels (labeled A through H) were designated.

After city manager Robert Klockman reviewed the proposals, discussion veered off into whether the city should widen the N-S runway to 75 feet. Tuesday night before the council meeting several councilmen flew in a private plane to the Wharton and Bay City airports to inspect those facilities. Both of those strips are 75-foot wide. Discussion on widening the Eagle Lake runway was curtailed because the current commitment, approved by council last month, was only for repaving the current runway to 50-foot wide. Part of the discussion however, said if future money was available widening another 25 foot was probable since almost all agencies involved in aviation recommend 75-foot wide runways.

Acting in place of mayor Lanny Powers, who was unable to attend because of his wife's illness, mayor pro-tem Mike Duarte asked if anyone on council was ready to make a motion. Larry Dulany, the newest council member, suggested that all eight parcels be advertised for bids. Case Hollub seconded the motion. Discussion revealed that the original suggestion from the airport committees was that only parcels A through D be sold, reserving parcels E through H. Since Dulany's motion simply said the land be advertised for bids, the motion and the second were withdrawn and recast.

Dulany then suggested that the land be offered in groups: lot one is parcels A&B; lot two is parcels C&D; lots three through six are parcels E through H respectively. His motion also said that an alternate bid, puting parcels A through D in one lot, also would be entertained. Hollub seconded that motion.

Dulany said that since the city was reserving the right to refuse any or all bids, he made his motion so council would have some idea whether there was any interest in buying the parcels, and at what price. Councilman Vic Corman said the city should have followed the committee recommendations, and only offer parcels A through D. He said those four lots, which are approximately 12.9 acres, if sold for the city's minimum $5,000 bid, would generate the $60,000 or so the city needs to repave the current runway. Sale of those lots, and improvement in the runway would improve land values he said, giving the city the opportunity to sell the other lots in the future for higher prices. Some acreage nearby has been priced at $15,000 per acre.

When Duarte called for a vote, Hollub and Dulany voted yes, and Corman and councilman Joe Duncan voted no, Duarte then voted yes to cast the deciding vote approving the motion.

When asked what rules would be required in the bidding, council said those had not been developed yet. Generally, it is believed the city will require the $5,000 per acre minimum bid; will retain the right to refuse any or all bids; will offer to bring water and sewer service to the lots sold; will require the purchaser to pay surveying fees, and will include deed restrictions guarding the building limits within 250 feet of the center of the runway.

Klockman said bids will be advertised for three weeks, and could be opened as early as May 12, which is council's first regular meeting date in May.

The lots F, G and H are along the old east-west runway. Lot E is in the triangle formed by the North-South runway and Connors St., and the other lots are north of Lot E, offering frontage on the runway and Connors. Council did not have an exact map of the parcels, but Klockman said the northern lots incroach into the hog farm used by the vocational agriculture department at Rice High School.

Council has received a bid of about $60,000 for a two-inch overlay for the North-South runway, and an additional bid of about $11,000 for contingency in case repairs to the runway base are needed. Klockman said precinct four commissioner Sonny Spanihel has offered to assist with repairs if possible.

Crime Stoppers Reward offered

Gunman robs D&S Grocery

D&S Grocery, in the 700 block of East Main St. here, was robbed at gunpoint about 9 p.m. Tuesday evening.

Police chief Ben Johnson said a slim black man, with shoulder-length hair combed straight down, came into the store about 9 p.m. and bought a wine cooler drink from clerk Arlene Saucedo of Eagle Lake. A few minutes later he returned to the store, pointed a small calibre handgun at Saucedo and demanded the money. Johnson said the man left with an undetermined amount of cash.

Police then spread out for a ground search for the robber. They were joined by sheriff's deputies, and officers from the Department of Public Safety and from the Parks and Wildlife department.

Johnson said a reward is being offered by the local Crime Stoppers unit for information in this case. Call 234-5555 with information, and the caller can remain anonymous.

The police chief said the robber appeared to be in his mid 20s. He wore a light shirt, blue jeans and had a slim build, weighing an estimated 110 to 120 pounds.

As of midnight Tuesday evening he remained at large.

Farmers meet with Rep. Sweeney

A group of Eagle Lake and Garwood area farmers and businessmen met here last Saturday morning with U.S. representative Mac Sweeney to discuss local economic and agricultural concerns.

Attending the breakfast meeting at the Farris 1912 were Steve Balas, Richard Clipson, Bob Cook, Jacko Garrett, Jack Garret, Dan Gertson, Bill Harrison Jr., Frank Higgins, Dale Hunt, Kenneth Mahalitc, John Matthews, J.R. Thomas, Sam Thomson, David Wintermann, Sweeney and Mike Lopez, a Sweeney assistant.

A report from the group said the most prominent matters discussed fell generally into three categories: 1) Timing the announcements of new farm programs to allow farmers in out area to plan in advance for changes in their operation to fit program changes; 2) An amendment to the current farm program allowing farmers to cooperate with each other in carrying out work in the field. Cooperation among farmers is a historical practice and allows all farmers to operate more efficiently and, to the extent possible, avoid natural disasters at planting and harvest time, and 3) The value of government payments to the farmers, and more significantly, to the economy of the local farm community.

All of these topics were informally discussed in some detail. Sweeney told the group he would carry these topics of concern and information back to Washington and where necessary provide information to those attending Saturday's breakfast. He also said he would like to have additional meetings of this type on a regular basis in his congressional district, and specifically in the Eagle Lake area. The group said Sweeney told them it was his intention to be "the voice in Washington for Texas rice farmers."

Don Eddy speaker at Rice High School all sports banquet

Former basketball coach for the University of Texas at San Antonio, Don Eddy will be the keynote speaker for the Rice High School athletic banquet scheduled Monday May 4 at 7:30 p.m. in the Rice High School Commons.

Eddy, who has a coaching and professional career a mile long, runs a basketball camp at Blinn College and Schreiner College during the summer months for boys and girls.

Call the high school at 234-3535 for information on ticket purchases.

Retail sales still about even with '86

Retail sales in Eagle Lake and Colorado County haven't improved much but they don't seem to be getting any worse, according to the monthly report from the state comptroller's office.

The report received this week shows the money the state sent to the cities last week as their portion of the sales tax collected on retail sales in February. Comparing the money the cities received for the first four months of this year, with the same months last year, shows Columbus sales are down 1.4 percent, Eagle Lake sales down 2.6 percent, and Weimar sales down 4.4 percent. Shoppers are paying more sales tax this year but since the report is based only on the one-cent city sales tax, the higher sales tax shoppers have been paying since the first of the year do not affect the comparison. The state keeps all of the increase.

The money Eagle Lake received this April, compared with April 1986, is inaccurate however. Last year, when the state paid Eagle Lake in March, it paid too much due to a reporting error. The error was corrected in April last year when the state withheld the over payment. This April, Eagle Lake received a check for $5,777.77.

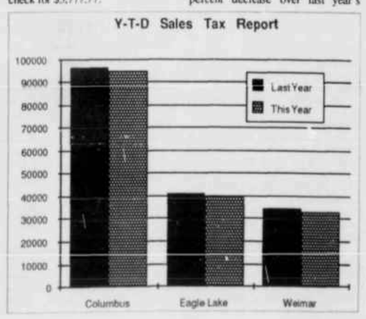
For the year to date, Eagle Lake has received $40,113.50, compared to $41,171.98 received last year. So far, this year's numbers are better than the city expected. When council approved the budget last month covering the next twelve months, a 10 percent decrease was projected in sales taxes colected for the city.

Columbus received a check this month for $17,036.31, which is a $323.96 increase. For the year, the county seat has received $94,780.48, which is $1,308.48 less than received at this time last year.

Weimar also showed an increase on the April-to-April report. This year the city received $4,532.03 while last year the check was for $3,911.95. For the year, Weimar has received $32,869.43 compared to the $34,382.21 received last year.

In Wharton County, the City of Wharton showed an increase of retail sales on the monthly portion of the report, while El Campo showed a decrease. Wharton received $26,543.40 this month, compared to $25,521.43 received last year. El Campo received $38,019.51 this month, compared to $41,163.64 received in April of 1986. For the year to date, Wharton has received $160,659.08, which is a 15.0 percent decrease over last year's sales, while El Campo has received $215,538.23, a 9.8 percent decrease over last year.

Reports for all cities in Austin County also show decreases, with Sealy receiving an April rebate of $15,940.70, down 23 percent. For the year, that town has received $84,675.93, a decrease of 17.5 percent over last year. On the whole, Austin county sales in February were down 13.7 percent.



Rice FFA banquet next week

The annual Rice FFA chapter's parent and member banquet will be held next Thursday, April 23, starting at 7 p.m. in the Commons area of Rice High School.

A chicken-fried steak dinner with all the trimmings is planned for this year's meal. The program will include inducting new honorary members as well as presenting awards to deserving chapter members. Other segments of the program are still being planned, according to a letter from chapter president, Tara Stephens, "but this year's banquet promises to be a most entertaining event.

Closed Friday for Easter holiday

The following businesses have announced they will be closed this Friday, April 17 in observance of Good Friday: the Colorado County Courthouse, the office of Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic Church, Entex and Central Power and Light.

Also, remember the Rice CISD students will be out of school for the Easter holiday (spring break) through Monday, April 20, so please be cautious of children playing when you are driving down the street.

Pink Ladies luncheon April 20

The Eagle Lake Community Hospital Auxiliary (Pink Ladies) will hold their annual luncheon meeting on Monday, April 20 in the Presbyterian Church Fellowship Hall.

The installation of officers will be included in the program. All members and prospective members are welcomed to attend.

Study Club's luncheon tickets available

Members and associate members, don't forget to buy your luncheon tickets at the library for the Study Club's President's Luncheon scheduled May 8. You may also purchase two extra tickets for the luncheon.

On April 23 and 24, either Fair Wells or Betty Wegenhoft will be at the library between 10 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. to collect dues for the Eagle Lake Study Club. Regular members' dues are $5 and associate members' dues are $10.

ELMS sports banquet April 28

The all-sports banquet for athletes from the Eagle Lake Middle School will be held in the Middle School Cafetorium at 7 p.m. Tuesday, April 28 with Coach Clifton Darden as the guest speaker.

A $3.50 charge per person is being asked for family and guests of athletes. Tickets are available from Coach Jackson or the Middle School office on or before April 24.

Make plans to attend the banquet as the Middle School has had a great year in sports.

Balas, Matthews, Wegenhoft elected directors at bank here

Steve K. Balas, John H. Matthews and Travis L. Wegenhoft have been elected advisory directors of the First National Bank, according to bank chairman of the board William H. Harrison. The three were elected last Wednesday at the bank's regular monthly board meeting. "We are very pleased to have these men add their business talents and community dedication to our board," said Harrison.

Balas graduated from The University of Texas in 1969 with a B.S. Degree in Pharmacy. He has been arice farmer for the past 14 years and last July purchased Eagle Lake Drug Store. Balas served on the Rice CISD school board for nine years, the last year as president. He currently serves on the board of the Eagle Lake Community Hospital and has been a long-time member of the administrative board of the Eagle Lake United Methodist Church. He and his wife, Linda, have two children, Brian and Renee, both students at Rice High School.

Matthews received his B.A. Degree in Psychology from Tulane University in 1961; followed by postgraduate degrees in American History from Trinity University (masters), and Emory University (Ph.D.). After a career in teaching and university administration, he returned to Eagle Lake in 1979 to assume management of the Matthews Bros. farming operations. He is a first-term trustee of Rice CISD. He also serves as treasurer of Revitalize Eagle Lake, Inc. and is chairman of this year's Waterfowl Festival. Members of Christ Episcopal Church, he and his wife, Joan, have three daughters: Lesley and Jennifer, students at Rice High School; and Sarah, a student at Eagle Lake Primary School.

First elected a bank officer in 1964, Wegenhoft currently serves as executive vice president of First National. He is a 1961 graduate of Texas A&M with a B.S. in Agricultural Education. He has held leadership positions in numerous local civic organizations including the Eagle Lake Lions Club, Chamber of Commerce, United Way and the Eagle Lake Industrial Foundation. He has also served as an adult advisor to the Rice FFA Chapter for many years. In 1968, he provided leadership in the organization of the New Town Water Supply Project, a community effort to bring city water to New Town residents. His son, John, is a 1986 graduate of Texas A&M as will be one daughter, Anna (Mrs. John) Gertson, who graduates next month. A second daughter, Randa Wegenhoft, is a senior at Columbus High School.

Assault warrant issued

Colorado County Sheriff Jim Broussard said Tuesday an aggravated assault warrant has been issued for Arthur Rhodes Jr., 26, after they received a report that said three woman were stopped by a man with a shotgun on FM 3013 inside the Colorado County line near Matthews.

Sheriff's spokesman, chief deputy Bill Esterling, said Gloria Foster, 19, and a juvenile girl called the sheriff's office from the phone in the lobby of the Eagle Lake police department just after midnight last Sunday. Three officers met with the women who said they were in Wharton County in a car driven by Sue Ann Scott heading north on FM 102 and were followed. After crossing into Colorado County, the car behind them sped around their car then turned around again and stopped in the road. The girls were forced to stop.

Foster told police the driver of the car approached the driver's side of their car with a shotgun and told the driver to get out or he would smash the door window. Foster said the man threatened all three women and assaulted the driver. Foster said she was slapped to the pavement when she tried to intervene. She said the man told Scott to get into his car and they headed south. The girls then drove the Scott vehicle to Eagle Lake to report the incident.

Esterling said JP Mary Lou Szymanski issued a warrant for young Rhodes for assaulting Foster but that he has not been arrested. He said that additional charges would be considered after deputies interview Scott who was dropped off in the Newtown area and is hospitalized.