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Tennis tournament May 21-24

The Eagle Lake Tennis Association will host its annual junior and senior tennis tournament May 21 through May 24 at the Rice High School tennis courts in Alair.

The junior tournament will begin Thursday, May 21 and conclude May 22. This tournament will consist of four divisions: boys and girls ages 15 and 16 and boys and girls 14 and under. Players are limited to one event and the entry fee is \$5 along with a can of balls.

Middle School places second in district tennis tourney

At the Junior High district tennis tournament Saturday, April 25, in Columbus, Eagle Lake Middle School won a first place in eighth grade girls doubles, second place in seventh grade girls singles and doubles, and had one of each advance to the semi-finals: seventh grade boys singles, eighth grade boys doubles and eighth grade boys singles.

In the 7th grade girls singles, Laura Rodriguez defeated Baton (Bellville), 8-2 and Scholbe (Columbus), 8-6, to win second place after losing to Pavla in the first round.

In 7th grade girls doubles, the awesome duo of Bonnie Bengt and Shanna Brunner, after receiving a bye the first round, beat Hayak and Jones (Columbus) 8-4 in the second round. Bengt and Brunner received second place after a long, tough match with Johnson and Schulte (Columbus). The match score was 3-6, 6-4, 5-7.

In 7th grade boys singles, Jaime Marquez defeated Plick (Bellville), 8-0, to advance to the semi-finals where he was defeated by Youens

(Columbus), 8-9, in a tiebreaker. Larry Flathmann was beaten by Mark (Bellville) #1 in the first round.

In 7th grade boys doubles, Shane Glaister and Robert Lujan were defeated by Hall and Ramirez (Columbus) 5-8.

In 8th grade girls singles, Tricia Thomas lost in the first round to Sarwelle (Sealy).

In 8th grade girls doubles, the conquering team of Krista Miller and Tracie Morales won first place after beating Marcinkiewicz and Greenstein (Bellville), 8-4, Gregg and Chappala (Sealy), 8-5, and in the finals Sines and Hill (Columbus), 6-2, 7-6.

In 8th grade boys singles, Darryl Anderson drew a bye the first round, defeated Ellerbee (Sealy) in a close one 9-8, and finally lost to Sanders (Royal), 8-8. Noble Anderson drew a tough first round and lost against the first seed from Columbus.

In 8th grade boys doubles, the twin towers of Jose Gonzalez and Patrick Powers defeated Caldwell-

Columbus Softball Association opens summer leagues in June

The Columbus Softball Association will sponsor several summer leagues beginning the week of June 1. Plans are being finalized for the men's, women's and mixed leagues.

A managers' meeting has been scheduled for Thursday, May 28 at 7 p.m. at the adult softball field at the Columbus Community Park. All managers and interested parties should plan to attend.

Men's league play has been scheduled for Tuesday and Thursday evenings on the adult field, women's play will also be held on Tuesdays and Thursdays on the girl's field. Mixed league play will be on

Monday and Wednesday evenings on the adult field. Each league will be limited to a maximum of twelve (12) teams.

Deadline for registration is Friday, May 22. Entry fees are \$100 for women's and mixed and \$125 for men's league. A late fee of \$25 will be charged for entry fees received after May 22.

Anyone wishing further information may contact Rusty Neundorff or Curtis Schoenberg at (409) 732-2362. Monday through Friday between 8 a.m. and 6 p.m. Weekends and evening inquiries may be directed to Marian Wetland at 732-6373 or Beverly Anderson at 732-6040.

Eagle Lake Little League results

Games scheduled for play on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday, May 4, 5, 6 and 8 were all rained out. Thursday's results are as follows:

Minor Boys League

At 5:30, the Rangers defeated the Sox 10-0 with Jason as the winning pitcher. Jason had 10 strike outs and gave up only 2 hits. Christian, Sox pitcher, pitched the first 3 innings for 8 strike outs, 8 hits and 1 error. Jason J. relieved him with 1 strike out and 3 hits. Outstanding players for the Rangers were: Rossi and Brandon, each 3 for 3, Richard and Osvaldo, each 1 for 2, and Blake, Jason and Rocky, each 1 for 3; Sox players, Andre and Christian, 1 for 2, and Justin, each 1 for 2.

Major Girls League

At 8:30 p.m. on Thursday, May 7 the Honey Bees whipped the Red Sox 19 to 3 in a six inning game with Yvette as the winning pitcher. She had 6 strike outs, 7 bases on balls and gave up 5 hits. Kim, Red Sox pitcher, had 9 strike outs, 5 walks and 18 hits. The Red Sox committed 2 errors. Outstanding players were: Honey Bees, Chris and Treney, each 3 for 4, Yvette and Belinda, each 3 for 4, and Evelyn, 2 for 5; Red Sox, Kim, 2 for 2, Alecia, 2 for 3, and J'Am, 1 for 4.

Burglary solved, local man stabbed

On April 29, the Len Matula home was burglarized and according to the police report, approximately \$5,000 worth of items were reported missing.

On May 4 the Eagle Lake Police Department arrested Jose Price, 56, of Wharton, and charged him with burglary of a habitation and bond was set at \$10,000 by Judge Mary Lou Szymanski. Only part of the items that were taken in the burglary were recovered.

At 10:30 p.m., Sunday, May 10, the Eagle Lake Police Department received a call from George Rios, owner of George and Angie's Restaurant, that Miguel Oliveres Mendoza, 35, of Eagle Lake had been stabbed.

Officer Buford Ashley was the investigating officer. According to his report, Eluthero S. Coronado, 73, of Eagle Lake stabbed Mendoza and then fled the scene. Coronado was picked up by Ashley at 500 East Main and was arrested for aggravated assault with a weapon and placed in the Eagle Lake Jail.

Mendoza was taken to the Eagle Lake Community Hospital by a private vehicle, according to the report, where he treated.



Danette Pagel presents perfect attendance awards at the annual academic banquet Monday night.

Scholarships, honors awarded at Rice

The annual academic awards banquet for Rice High School was held Monday night in the school commons area. Scholarships and awards were presented to seniors and academic awards were presented to underclassmen who have shown excellence in various fields of endeavor.

Seniors and scholarships they were awarded are as follows:

Frank Adkins, Blinn College Trustee Scholarship, National Scholastic Art Scholarship; Danette Alvarado, Blinn College Trustee Scholarship, University of Texas Achievement Scholarship, and Wharton County Junior College Achievement Award; Baldemar Benavides, Eagle Lake Knights of Columbus Scholarship; Michael Burke, McMurry College Presidential Honor Scholarship; Lena Castillo, Blinn College Band Scholarship, Mexican American Youth Council Scholarship; Stacey Causey, Eagle Lake Rotary Club Scholarship; Nancy Juul Sealhorn Memorial Rodeo Scholarship, and Ki Psi Psi Sorority Scholarship; Marina Cavazos, Annette Rodgers Nursing Scholarship; DeWayne Dopplauf, Blinn College President's Opportunity Award, Sheridan Lions Club Scholarship; Deirdre Douglas, E. H. Henry Memorial Scholarship; Lisa Drik, Blinn College Trustee Scholarship, Wharton County Junior College Achievement Award; Kevin Gens, Colorado County Farm Bureau Scholarship, Nels Knights of Columbus Scholarship, St. Mary's 4-H Scholarship; Bill Heffer, Blinn College Trustee Scholarship, Colorado County Farm Bureau Scholarship, Four T Ranch Scholarship, Wharton County Junior College Achievement Award; Mary Elizabeth Young, Alpha Delta Phi Sorority Scholarship, Blinn College Trustee Scholarship, Wharton County Junior College Achievement Award, Wintemman Nursing Scholarship; Carol Korenek, Blinn College Trustee Scholarship, H. M. & Hettie Page Scholarship; Kelli Lanier, Kevin Briscoe FFA Memorial Scholarship; Lesley Matthews, Blinn College Trustee Scholarship, Rice High School D.A.R. Good Citizen Award, Schreiner College Cowboy Artist of America Scholarship, Wharton County Junior College Achievement Award; Charles McMurrough, Eagle Lake Knights of Columbus Scholarship; Marsha McTeer, E. H. Henry Memorial Scholarship; Benjamin Wade Miller, Eagle Lake Knights of Columbus Scholarship; Shari Popp, Alpha Sigma Omicron Sorority Scholarship, Blinn College Trustee Scholarship, Colorado County Go Texas Award; Wharton County Junior College Achievement Award; Mickey Scott, U. S. Marine Corp Athletic Achievement Award; Sharon Shimek, Blinn College Trustee, H. M. & Hettie Page Scholarship, Kevin Briscoe FFA Memorial Scholarship, State of Texas Honor Graduate Certificate; Michael Garrett, Michael Graham, Dominique Ilesherow, Jennifer Matthews; and Freshman: Brad Baumgarten.

The valedictorian, Sharon Shimek and salutatorian, Danette Alvarado were recognized.

Suzanne Corman, president-elect of the student body for '87-88 thanked everyone for their participation and wished them a safe trip home.

Odessa Thomas, E. H. Henry Memorial Scholarship; Vanessa Taitman, Special Academic Award;

May Elizabeth Young, Alpha Delta Phi Sorority Scholarship, Blinn College Trustee Scholarship, Wharton County Junior College Achievement Award, Wintemman Nursing Scholarship.

Perfect Attendance awards were presented with special recognition to Greg King who completed 12 years of school with perfect attendance.

Other students receiving this award are as follows:

Seniors: Baldemar Benavides, Kevin Gens, Vance Pence, Jennifer Labay, Carrie Perry, Debra Soto, Stacy Soto, and Hilda Trevino;

Juniors: Rene Campos, Catherine Castillo, Dora Hernandez, Monica Ramirez, Scott Richter, Ann-Marie Waggoner;

Sophomores: Bert Fitzgerald, V-mita Glover, Randy Perkins, Raymond Perkins, and Ollie Sims;

Freshmen: Dawn Horns, Vicki Hyek, Utah Johnson, Charles Miller, Michael Popp, and Cassandra Williams.

Honor roll students are as follows:

Seniors: Frank Adkins, Lisa Drik, Donna Drik, Coral Korenek, Lesley Matthews, Bill Heffer, Shari Popp, Sharon Shimek, Jodi Smith, Elizabeth Young, Kelli Lanier;

Juniors: Suzanne Corman, Bonnie Labay, Carrie Perry, Debra Soto, Stacy Soto, and Hilda Trevino;

Sophomores: Lynn Brzezowski, Kimberly Garrett, Michael Graham, Dominique Ilesherow, Jennifer Matthews; and

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Eagle Lake Ambulance Corps membership crisis meeting

The Eagle Lake Volunteer Emergency Ambulance Corps will meet tonight, Thursday, May 21 at 7:30 p.m. in the Ambulance Hall to discuss with local doctors, hospital administrator, county commissioner and city officials the current staffing problems and how they could be met.

The Corps is in need of more volunteers to meet the staffing regulations. If the staffing regulations are not met, partial ambulance service say 3 days a week, night, and weekends only will have to be scheduled. One recommendation is to have hospital staff certified as ECA to help on out-of-town transfers. Also on the agenda will be to complete prior plans for a covered walk-stretcher way between the hospital and the Heritage House. (Research needs to be done as to collections made by the county for these transfers.)

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Special closings announced for Memorial Day

Since Memorial Day is Monday, May 25, the Headlight urges the local merchants to contact us by this Friday, May 22 for their advertising to be published in the May 28 issue. This also pertains to those with articles they wish to be published in that issue also.

Plans are for the office to be closed on Memorial Day, so be sure to get your news articles and advertising in by this Friday.

Other businesses who have notified us they will have special closings include:

Eagle Lake Insurance will be closed Saturday, May 23 and Monday, May 25. Also to be closed Monday include: First National Bank of Eagle Lake, Post Office, Colorado County Courthouse.

Buddy Poppy sale Saturday

VFW memorial services, Chamber BBQ Monday

Rice Area Memorial Veterans of Foreign Wars' memorial services and Eagle Lake Chamber of Commerce's annual chicken barbecue will be held this Monday, May 25. Students in the Rice school district will be attending school that day.

The VFW services, honoring those veterans who have passed on, will begin at 4 p.m. in the Community Center. The services were moved to the afternoon so students will have an opportunity to attend after school.

Post commander Wilfred Lueddecke and auxiliary president Helen Supak urge everyone to attend the services.

Tickets for the Chamber barbecue, to be held at the Eagle Lake Recreation Center, are available from any member, and cost \$4.50 per plate. Serving is scheduled from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., with the usual drive-through line on Partridge Lane, or buffet-line table service in the Recreation area. The meal includes barbecued chicken, rice salad and pinto beans.

Deadline to purchase tickets is today, Thursday, May 21. For tickets or information, contact Michael Henry at 234-2515 or any chamber director.

Support your local Chamber of Commerce as the proceeds from the barbecue will help fund chamber activities throughout the year.

Buddy Poppy sale

The VFW Post 8783 and VFW Ladies Auxiliary will hold their Buddy Poppy sale this Saturday, May 23. Tables will be set up in front of local merchants.

The Buddy Poppies are made by disabled Veterans and they need your support.

newsbriefs

Band/flutophone concert in Nada

St. Mary's School of Nada will hold a band and flutophone concert on Monday, May 25 at 6:30 p.m. in the parish hall.

Dr. Robert Cody, band director, and Mrs. Bernice Popp, flutophone director, invite everyone to attend the concert. There will be no admission.

Middle School art show Saturday

The Eagle Lake Middle School Art Department will hold their annual open house this Saturday, May 23 at the Prairie Edge Museum.

The public is invited to stop by anytime between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m. and view the fine arts and crafts the students will have on display including oil, pencil, tempera, crochet, macrame, needlepoint, quilting and others.

VBS organizational meeting Friday

Planning has begun for this year's Community Vacation Bible School which will be held at the United Methodist Church June 22-26. VBS is jointly sponsored by the Assembly of God, Episcopal, Lutheran, Presbyterian and Methodist churches.

Teachers are needed at all age levels, four-years through sixth grade. Please give your support to this annual endeavor and volunteer to teach a class. Call either Myra Wilson at 234-3624 or Robbin Clifton at 234-2675.

There will be an organizational meeting at 1:30 p.m., Friday, May 22 at the United Methodist Church. All interested are urged to attend.

Surplus food distribution today

Combined Community Action (CCA) will distribute USDA surplus food in Eagle Lake this Thursday, May 21 from 1:30-3:30 p.m. at Providence Baptist Church, 1207 East State Street in Eagle Lake. They also will be at the CCA Community Center, 903 Preston in Columbus on May 21 from 9:30-11:30 a.m. On Wednesday, May 27, CCA will distribute surplus food in Weimar at Weimar City Hall from 10:30 a.m. to noon.

CPR course to be held

A CPR course will be held later in the month if there is enough response. Interested persons should contact Bobbie Johnson, a certified instructor, at 234-3302.

Mrs. Johnson will be instructing, and there will be a \$5 charge for the two night course.

Community Pool to open May 30

The Eagle Lake community swimming pool, under the sponsorship of the Parks and Recreation Committee of Revitalize Eagle Lake Inc., will open to the public on Saturday, May 30.

There will not be a "free swim" day on Memorial Day this year since school will still be in session. Prices will remain the same as in the past: one person, \$30 for the season; two people, \$55; three or more from the same family, \$75. The daily rate for those who do not purchase season tickets will be \$2 per person.

On May 30 the season ticket prices will be \$10 higher, so buy now and save. Tickets will be available from Frances Struss at Struss Auto Supply, 234-2020.

Management of the community pool will be led by Linda Frnka. Lifeguards are Valerie Bengt, Sheri Frank and Shannon Pustejovsky.

ELMS awards assembly May 27

The Eagle Lake Middle School will hold its annual awards assembly on Wednesday, May 27. The third, fourth and fifth grades will have a morning assembly beginning at 9 a.m. in the cafeteria with the sixth, seventh and eighth grade holding their assembly at 1 p.m.

The eighth grade graduation ceremony will be held on Thursday, May 28 at 1 p.m. in the cafeteria.

Register 4-year olds Thursday

This afternoon, Thursday, May 21 from 2:45-3:15, qualifying four-year-olds pupils will be registered at the Eagle Lake Primary School Gym.

To qualify, pupils will need to be four years old on or before September 1, 1987; have shot record; have a birth certificate; qualify for the free lunch program, proof of income required; and/or qualify by being unable to pass an English proficiency test.

"We are making the assumption the State will have the four-year-old program next year," said school officials.

Rock Island homecoming Sunday

The annual Homecoming and Memorial Day Service will be held at the former Rock Island School Gym on Sunday, May 24.

A beef and sausage barbecue dinner, with all the trimmings, dessert and ice tea or coffee included, will be served at the noon hour. Cost per plate is \$5 for adults and \$2.50 for children.

The Memorial service and program will commence at 1 p.m.

CCA board meeting May 28

Combined Community Action, Inc. will hold its board of directors meeting on Thursday, May 28 at 7:30 p.m. in La Grange at 531 Colorado.

Board members are urged to be at the meeting and the public is invited to attend.

Chamber of Commerce holds meeting at The Grill

The Eagle Lake Chamber of Commerce met at Elaine's Grill on Monday night, May 11, for the 12 directors in attendance. After the minutes of the previous meeting and the treasurer report were read, Tom Reed, president, asked for committee reports.

Bill Appelt reported the Chamber Tour in Columbus during this past weekend. Sandy Bandy also reported the committee recommendation not to endorse the calendar project that was presented by Kevin Boyett during the last Chamber meeting.

At the April meeting it was voted to donate funds to Revitalize Eagle Lake, Inc. for the support of the public swimming pool. A committee was formed to determine an amount of money for this purpose. Michael Henry reported the committee recommendation donating \$175, the amount the Chamber has donated to FFA for the awards banquet.

Tom Reed announced he had contacted Santa Claus and was pleased to hear that Santa Claus is looking forward to being in Eagle Lake for the Chamber parade and to visit with the children. The parade is scheduled for the second Saturday of December.

The next Chamber of Commerce meeting will be June 15 at the Dairy Queen.

Clayton wins first at state

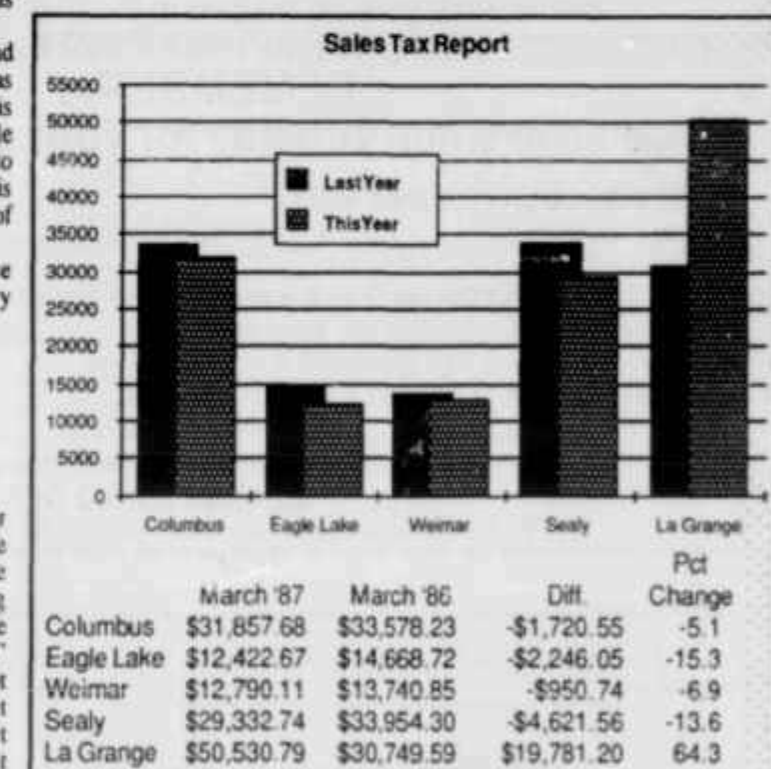
Terri Clayton, senior at Rice High School and daughter of Hollis and Thelma Clayton of Eagle Lake, placed first in the 200 meter dash and second in the 100 meter dash at the state track meet held this past weekend in Austin. She had qualified for state when she won first place in the 200 meter dash with a time of 24.8 seconds (her best for the year) at the regional track meet in Brenham.

She started her running career during her junior high days when she won every race in the 200 meter dash from the seventh grade to the state championship her freshmen year.

Terri's running ability and motivation is family oriented. She is always being confused with her sister, Emelda, with whom she ran against in practice all. During her junior year, Terri ran the 800 meter relay with her sister and they finished third in state. Also as a junior, she had qualified for the regionals in the 200 meter dash.

During her senior year, Terri added the 100 meter dash to her track meet list and actually prefers it over the 200 meter because it is a quicker race. She also set one of her best times this season in the 100 by running a 12.01 race.

Terri chose Prairie View A&M because, as far as she noted, the competition is good there. She was being recruited by Prairie View, Texas A&I, Stephen F. Austin and other schools. She plans to major in economics with a career in accounting. Her track goals are eventually to compete well in the SWAC and make her way to the Olympic team.



Economy shows further decline according to sales tax report

With the exception of La Grange, the economy continues to slip, according to information about March retail sales released by the Texas comptroller's office.

In Eagle Lake, the year-to-year comparison of March sales, derived from sales tax reports, shows sales declined another 15.3 percent. The figures in the chart represent the cities' share of the sales tax collected. All cities listed rely the one-cent tax.

While the decrease shown in March collections represent a continued precipitous decline, the amount of money returned to the city since January 1 of this year is only 5.9 percent less than last year. So far, Eagle Lake has received \$52,536.17 from its sales tax levy.

Columbus, down only 2.3 percent for the year, showed a 5.1 percent decline in the March to March comparison. Weimar also is down more than 5 percent for the year, and collected 6.9 percent less this year from March retail sales.

Sealy sales continue to decline faster than most area cities. For the year that city has received \$114,008.67, a 6.53 percent decline. Their retail sales declined 11.6 percent for the March period.

La Grange in Fayette County, according to the report from the state, has received \$491,494.94 for this year. That's a 223 percent more than last year when the city received \$152,293.34. For the March period, La Grange taxable sales are up 64.3 percent.

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