

## NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING CONCERNING HOUSE BILL 82 TAXATION OF PERSONAL PROPERTY

The City of Eagle Lake will hold a Public Hearing on a proposal to continue taxing all personal property and to retain all personal property on the tax roll in 1990. Your individual taxes may increase at a greater or lesser rate, or even decrease, depending on the change in the taxable value of your property in relation to the change in taxable value of all other property.

The Public Hearing will be held on Tuesday, January 23, 1990, at 7:30 P.M. at the Eagle Lake Council Chambers during the regularly scheduled council meeting.

A motion to continue taxing all personal property was made by Councilman Duncan and seconded by Councilman Dulany. The motion carried with the following votes cast:

**FOR:** Mike Duarte  
Victor Corman, Jr.  
Joe Duncan  
Larry Dulany  
Lonnie Sommerlatte

**AGAINST:** None

**PRESENT AND NOT VOTING:**  
Mayor Roy D. Van Nort

**ABSENT:** None

The following information was provided by Mr. Billy Youens, Chief Appraiser, Colorado County Central Appraisal District, as an illustration of how House Bill 82 affects the City of Eagle Lake:

- 1) Estimated Valuation Loss: \$3,780,000
- 2) Estimated Dollar Loss assuming a Tax Rate of \$0.42793 = \$16,175.00
- 3) Percent of Tax Loss: 6.2%
- 4) Tax Rate that must be adopted to offset Estimated Tax Loss: \$0.45446

5) Effect on a Typical Homeowner (Residence Taxable Value = \$40,000) with two automobiles with a Taxable Value of \$8,000:

\$40,000 + \$8,000 = \$48,000 x \$0.0042793 = \$205.41 Taxes.  
\$40,000 x \$0.0045446 = \$181.78 Taxes

This Homeowner would save \$23.63 by exempting personal property, i.e., the two automobiles.

6) Effect on City's largest Taxpayer, Eagle Lake Rice Dryer, Inc.:

\$2,066,000 x \$0.0042793 = \$8,841  
\$2,066,000 x \$0.0045446 = \$9,389  
This is an increase of \$548.

While the effects may not be as dramatic in all cases, homeowners would generally pay more taxes on real property and none on personal property resulting in a decrease in actual taxes paid. Small businesses and commercial establishments would pay more taxes on their real property and personal property of the business.



**Garwood  
cheerleader's raffle**  
The Garwood cheerleaders sponsored a raffle of a stuffed animal and \$10.00 on December 19, 1989. Pictured with one of the winners left to right are: Misty Crane, Mandy Priesmeyer, sponsor Veronica Parker, winner of \$10.00, Stephanie Labay, Sara Eggemeyer and not pictured, winner of the stuffed animal, Jacklyn Parker.

Garwood School Photo

### Heritage House News

By PATRICIA A. BUBELA, Activity Director

We want to thank Rev. and Mrs. Neil Mills of the Assembly of God Church for the wonderful church services last Sunday afternoon. Residents attending gave warm and happy reports about the sermon and visit. Many thanks to the Mill's for visiting with our residents.

Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie Schmidt Sr. of Bernardo were visitors last Wednesday with Emma Cloot and Mary Zahradnick. Johnnie is a brother to Emma and Mary. They all enjoyed the afternoon visiting and catching up on the current family news. Glad to see them visit with Emma and Mary.

Nell Rowe was in to visit with her sister, Cora Wallace last Friday. It was great to see Mrs. Rowe. Cora enjoyed

the treat Nell brought her.

Valentine's Day is around the corner once again. Seems like yesterday we just had Christmas! Anyway, our facility is on the ball getting all the red and white pretties out and up for everyone to view. Emma Cloot was sorting out the "throw away" decorations and the "keepers" for the Activity Director on Friday and by next week, our facility will be all pretty in red.

Our facility is always receptive to visitors, friends and family members of residents are very welcome. And speaking of visitors, Olga Lundquist of Rock Island was in to see her mother, Frances Burda. It was great to see Mrs. Lundquist!

Many thanks to the Martha S. S. Class of the First Baptist Church of Eagle Lake for their generous contribution for our Monday bingo game. All residents enjoyed the afternoon playing bingo and having ice cream treats afterwards.

Robert Zahradnick called and spoke with Mary Zahradnick. Mary's daughter, Daphne Vasut and her brother-in-law, Charlie Vasut, came by to visit and then Ernie Hunick and son, Marvin, took them all out for supper for Mary's Birthday. This was the first time Mary had been out a long time. She really enjoyed the supper and had a real good time visiting.

### Court Our Lady of the Rosary met January 9

Court Our Lady of the Rosary #1595 met in regular session on January 9, 1990 at St. Mary's Parish Hall, with regent Virginia Balusek presiding. Prior to the meeting a rosary was recited by the members in St. Mary's Church.

The roll call of officers was taken, and the December minutes were read. Several Thank You notes and Christmas cards were shared with the court. Committee chairmen gave the following reports: The court served lunch after the funerals of Anna Staff Erdelt and Julia Cranek; January 31 will be the date of the next St. Citizen domino party; there were 23 names read, of

ladies in our community, who are being asked to join our court. The court was asked to join in a covered dish luncheon to honor Ms. Victor for his birthday.

Ms. Victor shared with the court, the plans for a farewell Mass and luncheon to be held in Victoria for Bishop Grahmann. He also explained

the process of having a Bishop appointed.

There being no further business, the meeting closed with the ode and a prayer. The next meeting will be February 13, 1990. Refreshments were served by the hostesses.

Pat Wobbe,  
Recording Secretary

## OBITUARY

### M.J. 'Buddy' Huffman

December 24, 1916 - January 13, 1990

M.J. "Buddy" Huffman, 73, of Eagle Lake, died at 5:40 p.m. on January 13, 1990 in Bellville. He was born in Bellville on December 24, 1916, a son of the late Thomas and Alice Colton Huffman. He attended Bellville Public School and served his country in World War II in the U.S. Navy and Air Force. He married Laura Atwood on January 18, 1945 in Seattle, Washington. He had been a life long brick mason in Austin County and was a member of St. Peter and Paul Catholic Church.

He was preceded in death by his parents. Survivors include his widow, Laura Huffman of Bellville; three daughters, Marjorie DeVito and Tony of Cold Springs, New York, Judy Ganske of Houston and Dianne and Richard Silva of Wallis; a son, Sam and Wanda Center of Eagle Lake; four

sisters, Gladys Gilbert of Katy, Alice Musso of New Orleans, La., Mary Ellen Feder of La Marque, Martha Ann Campbell of Center; two brothers, Francis Huffman of Bellville and Thomas Huffman of Crosby; 11 grandchildren; four great grandchildren, and numerous nieces, nephews and other relatives and loved ones.

Funeral services were held at 2 p.m. Monday, January 15, 1990 from St. Peter and Paul Catholic Church in Bellville with Monsignor Sylvester Fuchs officiating. Burial followed at Pilgrim's Rest Cemetery. Arrangements were under the direction of Edinger Funeral Home of Bellville. Pallbearers were Steven Silva, Chris Silva, Brian Center, Charley Earley, Douglas Gilbert, Harold Gene Gilbert.

Sympathy is extended to the family in their loss.

### Hermann Sons lodges to install officers

Leroy Muehlstein of Converse, grand president of the Order of the Sons of Hermann in Texas, will install officers of nine Hermann Sons lodges in this area in ceremonies at 2 p.m. Sunday, January 21, in the St. Roch's Catholic Parish Hall in Mentz.

Assisting him will be Grand Lodge Fraternal Activities Committee members: Janice Dumb of Houston, Oliver Grobe, Jr. of San Antonio and Janice Kuhn of San Marcos. Having their officers installed will be Columbus Lodge No. 10, Bellville Lodge No. 11, Shelby Lodge No. 28, Cat Spring Lodge No. 44, New Ulm

Lodge No. 70, New Braunfels Lodge No. 205 at Weimar, Sealy Lodge No. 239, Bernardo Lodge No. 243 and Nagel Lodge No. 299 at Millheim, all family lodges with both men and women members.

Host for the ceremonies will be Bernardo Lodge No. 243. The 79,500-member Sons of Hermann was established in Texas in 1860 by German pioneer settlers and is widely known for its many fraternal benefits as well as for life insurance which it is required by law to provide for its members.

The society operates tuition-free

schools of dance in 42 Texas communities for junior members age 3 through 17, a youth summer camp for juniors age 9 through 13, and a home for its aged members. The camp and home are both in the Hill Country near Comfort. Headquarters for the society, which numbers 161 lodges in 144 cities and towns across Texas, are in San Antonio.

### East Bernard ISD menu

All meals served with milk  
Monday, January 22: Breakfast, peanut butter, jelly, toast or cereal, juice; Snackbar, nachos w/ chili and cheese, french fries, fruit; Lunch, chicken-nuggets, rice and gravy, green beans, fruit, hot roll.  
Tuesday, January 23: Breakfast, doughnut or cereal, fruit; Snackbar, ham and cheese sandwich, vegetable soup, french fries, fruit; Lunch, pizza, fried okra or peas, apple pie.  
Wednesday, January 24: Breakfast, pancakes, syrup or cereal, juice; Snackbar, Salisbury steak, gravy, french fries, hot roll, fruit; Lunch, hot dog w/ chili and cheese, chips, baked beans, fruit.  
Thursday, January 25: Breakfast, cinnamon roll or cereal, fruit; Snackbar, BBQ ribs, french fries, fruit; Lunch, steak/fingers, whipped potatoes and gravy, broccoli w/ cheese, fruit, hot roll.  
Friday, January 26: Biscuit, sausage, jelly or cereal, juice; Snackbar, burrito w/ chili and cheese, french fries, cornbread; Lunch, hamburger, french fries, pinto beans, lettuce, tomato, pickle, onion.

### Speed Reading course offered at UH-Victoria

"Speed Reading for Comprehension" will be taught on five Monday evenings in February and March through the University of Houston-Victoria continuing education program.

The five sessions will be February 5 through March 5, from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m., at the Petroleum Training Institute, 3302 N. Ben Wilson.

The course is designed for anyone, high school age or older, who wants to read better and faster and wants more sense of accomplishment from reading. It is particularly useful for students and for those who read a lot in their work.

Emphasis during the 15 hours of class will be placed on improving reading speed and comprehension. Each participant will assess current reading habits, then work through a series of practice exercises and timed drills to improve proficiency.

For information or pre-registration, telephone the UH-Victoria continuing education office, 512-576-3151 x222.

### Airman Milligan reports for duty in South Korea

Air Force Airman 1st Class Dorothy M. Milligan has arrived for duty in South Korea.

Milligan is a munitions systems specialist with the 8th Equipment Maintenance Squadron.

She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Milligan of Eagle Lake, Texas.

The airman is a 1985 graduate of Rice High School, Altair, Texas.

## SPORTS PAGE

### JV Lady Raiders defeat Needville, Varsity beats Palacios

On January 9 the Lady Raiders traveled to Needville for games beginning at 5 p.m.

The Freshmen Lady Raiders lost to Needville 40-27. Scoring for Rice were Sophronie Anderson, 12 points; Kim Powers, 6; Kris Barrow, 4; Evelyn Washington and J'Ammy McClanahan, 2 each, and April McMillian, 1.

The JV Lady Raiders defeated

Needville 38-23. Scoring for the Raiders were Cassandra Edward, 10 points; Lisa Dromgoole, Karen Earls, Tammie Hinz and Nekesha Tillman, 6 each, and Michele Owens, 4. The Varsity Lady Raiders lost to Needville 46-43 in overtime play. Scoring for Rice were Melissa Guthmann, 21 points; Rita Rhodes, 9; Jackie Dromgoole, 8; Nickhole Shorter, 3, and Charlene McGrew, 2.

On January 12, the Varsity Lady Raiders beat Palacios 48-32.

Rita Rhodes scored 26 points for Rice followed by Guthmann, 8; Jeanette McTear, 4; L. Dromgoole, Shorter, Jackie Dromgoole and Shalanda Williams, 2 each. The Freshman JV and Varsity Lady Raiders will play Sweeny at Rice Friday beginning at 5:30 p.m.

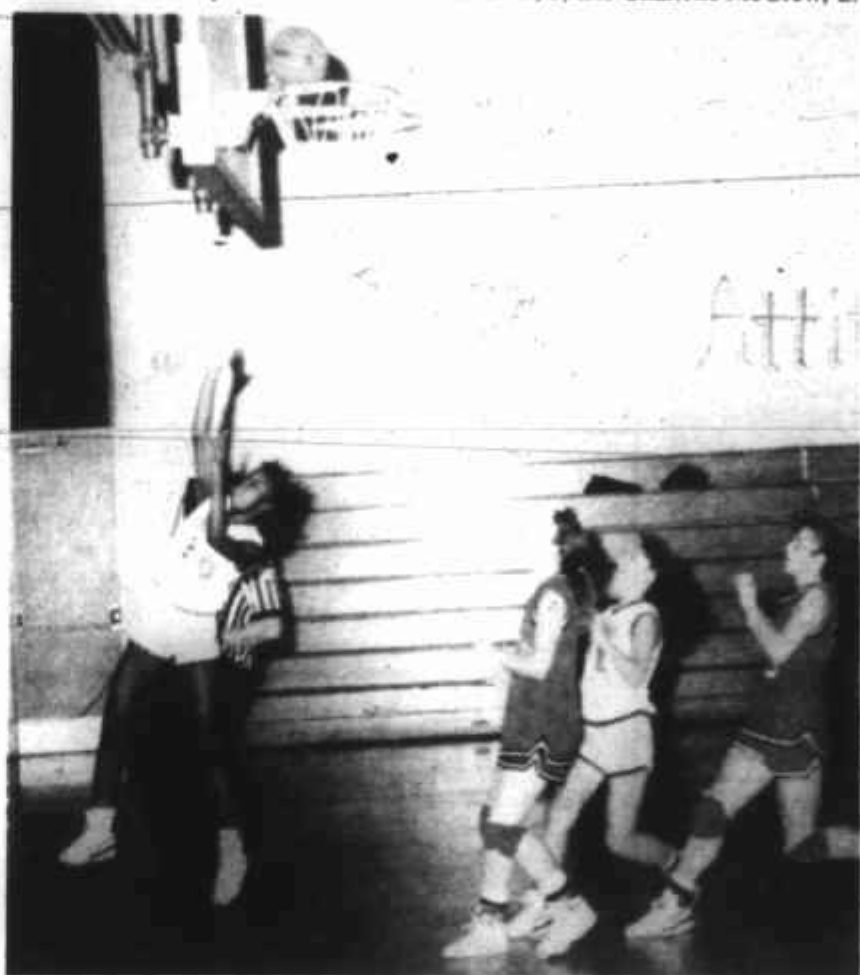
### JV Raiders defeat Palacios

The JV Raiders defeated Palacios 45-24 on January 14 at Palacios. "We did a lot of things well against Palacios," said Coach Jack Sanders. "The most important thing we did was slow the game down, therefore cutting down on turn overs. If we can control the ball and run our offense then we can play."

Leading Rice in scores was Bobo Botard with 21 points. "He did a great job offensively, hitting 5 out of 6 three-pointers," stated Coach Sanders. Other Raider scorers were Reggie Donner, 9 points; Eddie Fields, 7; Tweet Ford, 4, and Mark Johnson and Matt McGaughey, 2 each.

It's going to be a little harder to compete now because we lost a few to grades," commented Coach Sanders. "A player must realize that a commitment must be made in the classroom as well as in the sport in which they participate."

The Raiders play Sweeny this Friday, January 19 beginning at 5 p.m.



Lady Raider #30 Charlene McGrew adds two points to the Raiders' score last Friday night, January 12 when they beat Palacios 48-32.

### Holiday season hurt some fish and wildlife

The Christmas-New Year's holiday period was tough on some of Texas' fish and wildlife, as cold temperatures killed fish in coastal bays

and further stressed goose populations hit by an outbreak of cholera on the coastal prairies.

Fishery biologists of the Texas

Parks and Wildlife Department are hoping that the fish kill will not be as severe as the 1983-84 freeze which was fatal to more than 15 million fish, and wildlife biologists likewise are hoping the cholera epidemic won't match the loss of 8,000-plus waterfowl that occurred in early 1989.

The magnitude of the fish kill may not be determined for several more weeks, as fish killed in deeper channels are slow to float to the surface. A warning trend followed the Christmas cold snap, giving biologists reason to believe many of the cold-stressed fish were revived by the warming water.

On the coastal prairie west of Houston, and to a lesser degree elsewhere along the coast, dead waterfowl are continuing to be found and disposed of by department workers. Bob Jessen, waterfowl program leader, said total losses so far are in the 4,000 to 5,000 range, and involve mainly geese.

Disposal of affected birds, additional pumping of water into nesting areas and moderating weather conditions may combine to keep the current cholera outbreak from reaching crisis proportions, Jessen said.

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Heparin is a blood thinner medicine given to many hospitalized patients. It is given by injection. The most commonly prescribed oral blood thinner is warfarin.

When taking blood thinners, always follow the prescribed dosage schedule exactly. Contact your physician if doses are accidentally missed. Also let your physician know about other medicines you are taking, including over-the-counter medicines. Avoid aspirin and aspirin-containing products. Tell your doctor if you become pregnant. Report signs of bleeding such as frequent nose bleeds or black, tarry stools. Consume alcohol sparingly, or not at all.

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Basketball Games This Week!				
Jan. 19*	Lady Raiders host Sweeny	F-JV-V	5:30 p.m.	
Jan. 23*	Lady Raiders at Hitchcock	JV-V	6 p.m.	
Jan. 19*	Raiders at Sweeny	F-JV-V	5 p.m.	
Jan. 23*	Raiders host Hitchcock	F-JV-V	5 p.m.	
Jan. 18	ELMS Boys host Wharton	7th-8th	5 p.m.	
Jan. 23	ELMS Boys host El Campo	7th-8th	5 p.m.	
Jan. 22	ELMS Girls at Wharton	7th-8th	5 p.m.	



### Varsity Lady Raiders

The Varsity Lady Raiders for the 1989-90 season are, front row from left, Charlene McGrew (#30), Nickhole Shorter (#50), Jeanette McTear (#34), back row from left, Lisa Dromgoole (#12), Tammie Hinz (#20), Bonnie Benge (#45), Shalanda Williams (#55), Melissa Guthmann (#31), Rita Rhodes (#33), Jackie Dromgoole (#25), Kori Klein (#24), Cassandra Edwards (#35), Not pictured, Janice Johnson (#41). They stand at 2-1 for district, 13-6 overall. They are coached by Dolly Johnson.



### JV Lady Raiders

Playing for the JV Lady Raiders are, front row from left, Tammie Hinz (#20), Karen Earls (#15), Cassandra Edwards (#35), back row from left, Lisa Dromgoole (#12), Dylla Valdez, (#43), Michele Owens (#31), Kristin Tillman (#55), Shanna Brunner (#32), Not pictured, Nekesha Tillman (#40), Tami Fuller (#23). Coach for the JV girls is Wally Brooks. They stand at 2-0 for district, 7-4 overall.

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