

Community Calendar for March 1990

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday																										
SERVICES AVAILABLE Texas Driver's License renewal, 8 a.m.-noon and 1-5 p.m., first floor, Colorado County Courthouse, 732-3451; testing: Monday only, 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Vehicle License Plate renewal, purchase: 8 a.m.-5 p.m., basement, Colorado County Courthouse, office of Evelyn Thomas, county tax assessor-collector; 732-2710. Social Security: Department of Health and Human Resources, P.O. Box 646, Brenham, TX 77833. SCORE (Service Core of Retired Executives): For appointment, Columbus Chamber of Commerce, 732-5881. Texas Department of Public Welfare, Visits: Eagle Lake city hall council meeting room every Thursday, 9 a.m.-4:30 p.m.; main office: 1338 Fannin St., Columbus; Monday-Friday, 7 a.m.-5:30 p.m., 732-6231. WIC Program: Each Tuesday, 9 a.m.-4 p.m., Providence Baptist Church, 1207 State Street, Eagle Lake. By Appointment only. For more information, 732-6390. Surplus Food Registration: Combined Community Action Agency Inc., 903 Preston, Columbus; Monday-Friday, 8 a.m.-5 p.m.	 Pisces Feb. 18-Mar. 19  Aries Mar. 20-April 18	1 Eagle Lake Lions Club, noon, Community Center. Our Lady of Perpetual Help Altar Society meeting, 7 p.m., Dider Hall. TID BIT: Nebraska became 27th state, 1867.	2 Raider Basketball in Regional playoffs, Texas A&I University, Kingsville. Rice Baseball host Sealy, 5 p.m. (JV), 7 p.m. (Varsity), (tentative). ELMS boys/girls track teams in Sealy Relays. TID BIT: Battle of Waynesboro, 1865.	3 Prairie Edge Thrift Shop Open, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Raider Basketball in Regional playoffs, Texas A&I University, Kingsville. Raiders and Lady Raiders track teams in Kinkaid Relays, (tentative). TID BIT: Florida became 27th state, 1845. Prairie Edge Museum Open 2-5 p.m. First Quarter of Moon.	4 Lent Begins Prairie Edge Museum Open 2-5 p.m. Public School Week March 5-9 (Monday Continued) Martha Sunday School, 7:30 p.m., hostess Anna Belle Marshall. Alcoholics Anonymous, 8 p.m., hospital conf. room. TID BIT: Boston Massacre, 1770.	5 Eagle Lake Civic Garden Club, 1 p.m., home of Sandy Thomson; discuss Wildflower Celebration plans. Col. Co. Children's Service Board meeting, 4 p.m., Courthouse. St. Mary's 4-H meeting, 7 p.m., St. Mary's Parish Hall, Nada. Eagle Lake Vol. Fire Dept. practice meeting, 7 p.m., fire station. Museum Committee, 7 p.m., Prairie Edge Museum. Boy Scouts, 7:30 p.m., Scout Hut. Alpha Delta Phi, 7:30 p.m. (Continued)	6 Absentee voting ends for School Bond Election. Rice Baseball host East Bernard, 7 p.m. KC Game Night, 7:30 p.m. KC Hall. Xi Psi meeting, 7:30 p.m. Ministerial Alliance meeting, 9 a.m., hospital board room. Bible Study, 6:30 p.m., Peroni Mobile Village. TID BIT: Fall of the Alamo, 1836.	7 "Just Say No", sponsored by Pilot Club, ELMS Cafeteria; guest speaker, "Mattress Mac". Pilot Club executive board meeting, noon, Sportsman's Catering. Eagle Lake Rotary Club, 12:10 p.m., Community Center; program chairman, William Harrison Jr. TOPS meeting, 9 a.m., June Mahalic's home. AARP meeting, noon, covered-dish luncheon, Methodist Church bldg. Knights of Columbus, 7:30 p.m., KC Hall. "My Friend's House" 9 a.m. to Noon Methodist Church	8 Eagle Lake Lions Club, noon, Community Center. Immunization Clinic, 2-4 p.m., Ugarte Clinic. Sheridan Water Supply Corp. meeting, 6:30 p.m., Sheridan Community Center. TID BIT: Union Pacific Railroad completed, 1869.	9 Absentee (early) voting ends for Primary Election. Masonic Lodge, 7:30 p.m., Masonic Hall. Rice Baseball at East Bernard, 7 p.m. ELMS boys/girls track teams in Brookshire-Royal Relays. TID BIT: Battle of Monitor and Merrimac, 1862.	10 Rice CISD Bond Election 7 a.m. - 7 p.m. Polling Places: Garwood School; Sheridan Community Center. Raiders and Lady Raiders track teams in Needville Relays. TID BIT: Bell transmitted first telephone message, 1876. Prairie Edge Museum Open 2-5 p.m.	11 Purim (Hebrew) Prairie Edge Museum Open 2-5 p.m. TID BIT: Bank of Canada began operation, 1935. Full Moon	12 Girl Scouts Day Commissioners' Court, 9 a.m., Courthouse. Eagle Lake Vol. Fire Dept. practice meeting, 7 p.m., fire station. Alzheimer's Support Group, 7 p.m., Mansfield Library, Columbus. Rice CISD board of trustees, 7 p.m., Administration Bldg., Altair. Darcus Sunday School Class, 7 p.m. Boy Scouts, 7:30 p.m., Scout Hut. Alcoholics Anonymous, 8 p.m., hospital conference room.	13 Primary Election Col. Co. Central Appraisal District bid. of directors meeting, 1:30 p.m., Courthouse. Revitalize Eagle Lake Inc., board meeting, 2 p.m., First National Bank conf. room. Rice Baseball host Youkum, 5 p.m. (JV), 7 p.m. (Varsity). KC Game Night, 7:30 p.m., New KC Hall. Eagle Lake City Council meeting, 7:30 p.m., City Hall. Bible Study, 6:30 p.m., Peroni Mobile Village. Sheridan PFS, 6 p.m., Eagle Lake Garden Club, 2:30 p.m. Sheridan 4H Club, 7 p.m., Sheridan School Cafeteria. WMAJ, 9:20 a.m., First Baptist Church, Sheridan. Extension Homemakers meeting, 1:30 p.m.	14 First Baptist Church WMS, 9:30 a.m., Elizabeth Boothe's home. Pilot Club business meeting, noon, Sportsman's Catering. Eagle Lake Rotary Club, 12:10 p.m., Community Center; program chairman, Jack Johnson. Eagle Lake Study Club, 2 p.m., Winterman Library conf. room. TOPS meeting, 9 a.m., June Mahalic's home. "My Friend's House" 9 a.m. to Noon Methodist Church TID BIT: Scientist Albert Einstein born, 1879.	15 Ides of March Col. Co. Soil and Water District meeting, 8 a.m., Ag. Bldg., Columbus. Eagle Lake Lions Club, noon, Community Center. Parents Reaching Out, 7:30 p.m., Waldvogel Center. LCRA board meeting, Austin. Rice Baseball in Weimar tournament. TID BIT: Maine became 23rd state, 1820.	16 Rice Baseball in Weimar tournament. Raiders and Lady Raiders track teams in Brookshire-Royal Relays. TID BIT: West Point Military Academy est., 1802.	17 St. Patrick's Day Prairie Edge Thrift Shop Open, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Raiders track team in Palacios Relays. Rice Baseball in Weimar tournament. ELMS boys/girls track teams host track relays. TID BIT: British evacuated Boston, 1776. Prairie Edge Museum Open 2-5 p.m.	18 Prairie Edge Museum Open 2-5 p.m. TID BIT: German inventor Rudolf Diesel born, 1853. (Monday Continued) p.m., City Council room. Alcoholics Anonymous, 8 p.m., hospital conf. room. TID BIT: Traditional return of swallows of Capistrano. Last Quarter of Moon	19 Rice CISD Spring Break begins. Eagle Lake Chamber of Commerce "dutch-treat" luncheon/meeting, noon, Kevin Courts. For reservations call 234-2780. The meal will be obtained from Dairy Queen and the Chamber needs to have your order on Friday, March 17. Eagle Lake Vol. Fire Dept. Ladies Auxiliary, 7:30 p.m., fire station. MAYC meeting, 7:30 p.m., Town and Country. Alpha Delta Phi meeting. VFW Post 8783 Ladies Auxiliary meeting, 7:30 p.m. (Continued)	20 Spring Begins Rice Baseball at Sealy, 5 p.m. (JV), 7 p.m. (Varsity). KC Game Night, 7:30 p.m., KC Hall. VFW Post 8783, 7:30 p.m., Glaiser House (next to Catholic Church). Bible Study, 6:30 p.m., Peroni Mobile Village. Xi Psi meeting, 7:30 p.m. Col. Co. Horse Club, 7 p.m., Columbus. PTO meeting, 7 p.m., ELMS cafeteria. TID BIT: First practical radar device demonstrated, 1934.	21 First Baptist WMS, 9:30 a.m., Elizabeth Boothe's home. Eagle Lake Rotary Club, 12:10 p.m., Community Center; program chairman, Steven Labuda. TOPS meeting, 9 a.m., June Mahalic's home. "My Friend's House" 9 a.m. to Noon Methodist Church TID BIT: Composer Johann Sebastian Bach born, 1685.	22 Eagle Lake Lions Club, noon, Community Center. WMU Friendship Fellowship, 11 a.m., Sheridan Baptist Church. Sunshine Class, 2:30 p.m. Ambulance Corps, 7:30 p.m., Ambulance Hall. TID BIT: Custer Battlefield Natl. Monument est., 1946.	23 Opry Texas Style 7:30 p.m. KC Hall Prairie Edge Museum's drama, Night Must Fall 7:30 p.m. at the museum Rice CISD Spring Break ends. Rice Baseball host Belleville, 4 p.m., double-header. TID BIT: Patrick Henry "Liberty or Death" speech, 1775.	24 Prairie Edge Museum's drama, Night Must Fall 7:30 p.m. at the museum Raiders and Lady Raiders track teams in Sealy Relays. TID BIT: Escape artist Harry Houdini born, 1874. Prairie Edge Museum Open 2-5 p.m.	25 Annunciation Day Prairie Edge Museum Open 2-5 p.m. TID BIT: Lord Baltimore landed Maryland, 1634.	26 Eagle Lake Community Hospital board meeting, 6:30 p.m., hospital conf. room. Eagle Lake Vol. Fire Dept. business meeting, 7 p.m., fire station. Alcoholics Anonymous, 8 p.m., hospital cafeteria. TID BIT: Poet Robert Frost born, 1874.	27 Commissioners' Court, 9 a.m., Courthouse. Rice Baseball at Schulenburg, 5 p.m. (JV), 7 p.m. (Varsity). KC Game Night, 7:30 p.m., KC Hall. Eagle Lake City Council meeting, 7:30 p.m., City Hall. Bible Study, 6:30 p.m., Peroni Mobile Village. TID BIT: North Sea Oil Rig Disaster, 1980.	28 TOPS meeting, 9 a.m., June Mahalic's home. 55 Plus party, 11:30 a.m., Dider Hall; covered dish luncheon and games party. Eagle Lake Pilot Club program meeting, noon, Sportsman's Catering. Eagle Lake Rotary Club, 12:10 p.m., Community Center; program chairman, David Mann. "My Friend's House" 9 a.m. to Noon Methodist Church TID BIT: Mexican War began, 1846.	29 Conservation District awards banquet, 7 p.m., Columbus High School Cafeteria. Eagle Lake Lions Club, noon, Community Center. Rice Baseball in Hallettsville tournament. TID BIT: Last U.S. troops left Vietnam, 1973.	30 Rice Baseball in Hallettsville tournament. ELMS boys/girls track teams in Schulenburg Relays. TID BIT: U.S. Dept. Health/Human Services formed, 1953.	31 Rice Baseball in Hallettsville tournament. Raiders and Lady Raiders track teams in Stafford Relays. TID BIT: Daylight Savings Time first in effect, 1918. Prairie Edge Museum Open 2-5 p.m.

Joe Lee Perez enrolled in Radiology Technology Program

Joe Lee Perez is soft spoken and gentle in spirit, that is, until you ask him to talk about his plans for the future, or his family and friends.

On the day I interviewed Joe he bubbled with enthusiasm for all three! Joe is a 19 year old who lives at home and attends Wharton Junior College and has not one, but two jobs and still finds time for a girlfriend, his buddies and, most importantly to Joe, time for his family.

Joe is a first year student at Wharton Junior College and is enrolled in the Radiology Technology Program.

"I was interested in the medical field long before I graduated from high school. My goal then was to be a doctor," explained Joe. "But I decided I wanted to start at a level where I could learn more about people and the radiation process at the same time," he continued.

Joe is working toward an associate's degree in Radiology Technology from WCJC and then he plans to complete his studies at the University of Houston in Victoria. "I would like the opportunity, one day, to direct a Radiology Department in a hospital. I am intrigued with cancer patients. I want to learn all I can about the diagnostic radiation process, radiation and chemotherapy cancer treatments," he explained.

Joe is receiving a lot of hands on experience as a Student Radiologic Technologist at Eagle Lake Community Hospital Radiology Department. The job placement was arranged through WCJC. "I told the job placement director that I would prefer to do my clinical studies in a small community and she said how about Eagle Lake? There was no argument from me because I like the togetherness a small town offers," said Joe. Joe is a 1989 graduate of Rice Consolidated High School and Eagle Lake is home. Joe's mother, Obera Muñoz (Bo) is a Registered Nurse at Eagle Lake Community Hospital. But Joe insists his mother is not responsible for his job placement at ELCH. Joe said he stood on his own two feet on this one, but admits it's kinda nice to be working where his mother works although they rarely see each other as they work opposite shifts.

When Joe is not working at the hospital you can find him at Wayne Lipperdi's Exxon Service Station where he works part-time for "spending money". Joe worked two years at McDonald's in Columbus as a swing manager to earn enough money to buy his own car. Now he works to keep the car up and the gas tank full so he can experience a few of the pleasures of life like driving in the country, which

is one of his favorite past times, or going to see his steady girlfriend of about two months, Amy McCoy, a senior at Rice Consolidated High School, or bowling.

This young man is an in depth philosopher who sets a high value on the principles of family life. "I don't believe in divorce. Divorce is a burden in a teenagers life he just doesn't need and usually can't cope with," said Joe. "My mom had a purpose in life also, she went to nursing school, with the help and encouragement of my step-father and I learned from that. It was my step-father who brought our family together," continued Joe. "We (the children) call him Dad because he deserves to be called that because of what he has done for my mom and all three of us kids," Joe said. Joe has a brother, Albert, 18 and a sister, Anna, 13. Joe's step-father, who he speaks so affectionately of, is Roy Muñoz. Roy is a laborer with Southern Pacific Railroad. Last month he celebrated 20 years with the company. Joe proudly acknowledges that he admires and loves Roy, not only because he brought stability to the home and family when he married Joe's mother, but also because, as Joe says it, "he is a good person."

Joe believes family ties are important if you want to get the best out of life. He also believes that if a family does not display unity, a "kid" wonders why he should try to do his best. "Drug problems and other teenage problems are not just the kids fault as some parents would like us (teenagers) to believe...the problems start at home, not on the street," Joe said. "Parents should really want a child before they have one, and they should start early in the child's life preparing a solid family life where the child feels wanted, needed, and most of all, loved," continued Joe.

Joe feels very strongly about the problems teenagers are faced with today. One of those problems, drugs, is a heavy subject with Joe and he speaks very adamantly about how he thinks we should deal with the problem. "I think the laws are not strict enough. I'm totally against teenagers doing drugs. I can back that up 100%," said Joe. He went on to say that peer pressure causes teens to turn to drugs, especially if things are not going right at home. Joe believes teens have to feel good about themselves in order to resist the drug scene. "Friends make a big difference in the way you feel about yourself, if you pick the right ones," said Joe. Joe also believes that if a teenager keeps his eye on the goals he sets for himself in life, he will not have time to get involved in drugs. "One of the first goals a teenager should set for himself is graduating from high school because that is the first step to maturity," continued Joe. Joe went on to say that teens really need a diploma to get a job and in some cases to join the army.

Joe values friendship and says, "I feel good when my friends look up to me and show me respect. I am proud of the fact that I have influenced one of my friends, Wade Satsky, who is a junior at Rice Consolidated High School. Wade is interested in the Radiology field and will be making plans to attend WCJC, and I like to think I had something to do with his decision," Joe said smilingly.

Joe works three days at Eagle Lake Community Hospital in the Radiology Department and is taking 16 semester hours of study at WCJC. Since Joe has



Joe Lee's responsibilities are varied in the Radiology Department. Joe must also learn about the sometimes complicated record keeping procedures that are required in the department.

WCJC calendar of events

February 28-March 2: speech and drama department competes in Texas Junior College Speech and Theatre Association's Play Festival, San Jacinto, with the production of "The Shadow Box". Thursday, March 1: 7:30 p.m., Art and Music Showcase, Pioneer Student Center.

March 1-March 3: Phi Theta Kappa State Convention in Midland. Tuesday, March 6: 12:30 p.m., WCJC Boosters meet in cafeteria; 7 p.m., WCJC Alumni Association board meets, Hutchins Memorial Center.

Thursday, March 8-Saturday, March 10: Speech and Drama Department hosts Speech Tournament for the Texas Junior College Speech and Theatre Association; 9 p.m. to 1 a.m., Texas LUAU dance in Pioneer Student Center sponsored by SGA, admission is \$1 with student ID and music by DJ Toby Popp.

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March 11 - 16, 1990

Joe Lee Perez, first year student at Wharton Junior College, enrolled in the Radiology Technology Program is receiving hands on experience in a clinical setting in the Radiology Department at Eagle Lake Community Hospital where he works 20 hours per week as a requirement of the course. Joe is shown here using the old X-Ray machine but he says he is looking forward to learning how to maneuver the new X-Ray machine which is in the process of being installed due to the generous response the citizens of the community have made toward the purchase of the badly needed equipment which costs \$115,000. A fund drive is underway to raise funds to pay for the new machine.



ELPS visits Post Office

Eagle Lake Primary School kindergarten students and their teachers recently made a visit to the local Post Office. Eagle Lake Post Master Robert McClelland, far right, explained to the students how the mail is sorted, how to operate the stamp machine and where to place letters to be mailed. The students and teachers also toured the area where the employees sort out the mail and put it in its proper place.

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