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Budget-writing special session planned

Gov. Ann Richards will call lawmakers to a budget-writing special session in July, one which is expected to consider adopting a state income tax to find a \$4.6 billion deficit and take the heat off a projected 34 percent increase in school property taxes.

After lawmakers' glee quieted last week, Lt. Gov. Bob Bullock sobered everyone with the reminder that the new school finance bill will prompt a \$6.1 billion increase in local property taxes over the next four years, and an \$8.3 billion hike over five years.

Calling Bullock's numbers "inflated to the worst scenario," House Speaker Gib Lewis released figures showing that the law will spur a \$2.3 billion increase in property taxes over the next four years.

July Special Session

Richards said she would call a special session of the Legislature in July to write the 1992-93 budget for state government, after state auditors and a blue-ribbon revenue-finding panel report their findings.

In the meantime, the Higher Education Coordinating Board, faced with uncertain appropriations, put a freeze on construction and new degree programs.

Other state agencies are expected to follow suit.

Despite the tax controversy, lawmakers probably received more phone calls last week from weary citizens outraged over the revelation that Board of Pardons and Paroles has

been releasing prison inmates serving life sentences for capital murders.

State Sen. Ted Lyons, D-Rockwall, a former policeman, outraged by the release of a multiple cop-killer, ripped agency officials for releasing 68 capital murder inmates, 18 of whom were returned to prison for violent crimes.

Insurance Board Split

The State Board of Insurance deadlocked last week over a proposal to raise automobile insurance rates, and it appeared consumers could be spared an increase until this fall.

However, Richards, who made insurance reform one of her top campaign issues, said after the meeting that the expected auto insurance rates to go up.

The three-member board was unable to reach a decision because of the absence of one member, Jim Saxton. Under pressure from Richards, Saxton has announced he will resign but has not yet left.

Census Bureau Undercount

The U.S. Census Bureau says it may have overlooked more than half a million Texans during the 1990 head count.

The bureau, which counted 16,986,510 people living in Texas last April, said last week it may have missed between 236,490 and 632,490 Texans.

"I am encouraged that the Census Bureau appears to be arriving at a

Letter to All,

There are numerous times in the life of every Father, when he is proud of his children—from their first steps or words, to their presentations of grandchildren and so on all through their lives; but no father could be more proud than I of my own dear "Bunch" on this day, April 21, 1991.

What they give to others as a small family memorial to their Mother a few years ago, has grown into a loving and caring tribute; for in their endeavors, they began to give a part of that heritage to others. This was done by establishing the Nancy J. Sealmon Memorial Scholarship Fund. Scholarships to be given each year to graduating seniors at Rice High School. In the eight years of this endeavor, several fine young graduates have been given that little extra boost by my "Bunch" and thereby giving the chosen students an extra chance to better themselves at the college of their choice. This giving to others has made my "Bunch" better individuals, better mothers and fathers and better in every way—in my eyes, and in the eyes of many, many of you who have helped with your donations and your kindnesses toward us for what we are trying to do. The students have certainly shown their appreciation. This makes for more loving pride in my "Bunch" into which all of you mentioned above have now become an integral part.

This past Saturday, April 20, 1991, our Annual Golf Classic was the very best ever—by far!

The participants, the donors, the volunteers and all who aided this cause, certainly made me proud of Eagle Lake and the other areas we joined in to help. If you haven't become a part of this work or other work in "doing" for others, then get on the Bandwagon and you too will certainly feel the pride of your "Bunch".

Sincerest Thanks to All from the bottom —

Gardner A. Seaholm

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Let's Look Back... 24 YEARS AGO

September 22, 1966

Boys in the area of ages 8 through 13 are invited to register for the Sixth Annual Fun, Pass and Kick competition sponsored by Ford Motor Co. Company, beginning September 21... Mr. and Mrs. H.C. Johnson, owners of the Rice Theatre in Eagle Lake announce that they have leased the theatre facilities to Mr. and Mrs. James W. Shippey of Dallas and the new operators will take over on September 30... Congressman Clark W. Thompson announces that he is taking steps necessary to have Mrs. Elmer Larsen of Rock Island appointed as the new postmaster for the Rock Island Post Office...

Lois and Lana Mahalite, twin daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Mahalite, celebrated their fifth birthday Thursday afternoon, September 8 at their home. Their birthday was on the 4th... Larry Powers, son of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Powers of Eagle Lake along with a group of 12 students from 11 colleges and universities over the state of Texas served as Texas Baptist Student Union Summer Missionaries for the 1966 summer period... St. Anthony's Church of Columbus was the scene Sept. 10 of the nuptial high Mass at which the marriage of Miss

Mary Katherine Gordy and Ervin Frank Heffley was solemnized... Mr. and Mrs. R.J. Gohn of Elkhart, Indiana, announce the adoption of a baby daughter, Melodie Ann, who was born on September 5. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. A.G. Miculka of Eagle Lake and Mr. and Mrs. R.K. Gohn are paternal grandparents... Richard D. Wintermann of St. Louis, Missouri, a cousin of D.B. Wintermann of this city, passed away on Friday, the 16th at the age of 51... Garwood Rice Sales Company and the American Rice Growers Association office in Garwood both held rice sales on Tuesday of this week. Top bid for the 14 lots of rice offered at the Garwood Rice Sales Company was \$8.86.

The Eagle Lake Eagles put on a fine defensive effort and a greatly improved offense to defeat the Louise Hornets 13-0 and gain the first Eagle home win over the Hornets since 1957... The Rice Drug Store's new snack bar and fountain with comfortable seating at table in booths or at the counter is a popular gathering place... A 1951 Chevrolet pickup driven by Ken McKennon of Sheridan went out of control at 10:35 Sunday morning, slammed through a picket fence into the side of the Jim Kutzer home...

Friends regret to learn of the death of Mrs. A.J. Venghaus of Eagle Lake. She passed away at 1:30 a.m. last Sunday from a heart attack at her home... Two Eagle Lake taxi drivers were given tickets for traffic violations during the past week after their vehicles were involved in wrecks Friday and Sunday...

In Houston Sunday afternoon to attend the Ice Capades were Mary Jane Adkins, Bob Thornton, Karen Ewers, Russell Koneschek, Wanda Smith, Billy L. Walker, Janet Bauer and Johnny Matthey.

Laughlin reports from Washington...

Visitors Board chair

Congressman Greg Laughlin (D-West Columbia) was elected Chairman of the Board of Visitors of the United States Military Academy in West Point, New York on April 11.

"I am honored to have the opportunity to serve as Chairman of the Board of Visitors. It is my desire to see the Academy continue its fine tradition of educating young men and women for military service," said Laughlin.

The Board of Visitors serves as an oversight committee for the academy and is comprised of members of Congress and distinguished individuals from the private sector appointed by the President. The Board addresses academy issues concerning curriculum, admissions process, development of endowments, ethics instruction and intercollegiate athletics.

Laughlin is a 1964 graduate of Texas A&M University. He earned a law degree from the University of Texas at Austin in 1967. He is a Lt. Colonel in the U.S. Army Reserves, previously assigned to the National Security Agency and to the Deputy Chief of Staff of Intelligence at the Pentagon. He recently returned from

8th Annual SHERIDAN Ambulance BENEFIT

SHERIDAN FIREHALL & COMMUNITY PARK
Sat., May 4, 1991

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

8:00 a.m. Kids Pet Show, Art Show, Easter Eggs, BBQ Cook-off Underway 9:00 FUN RUN OR WALK, Mixed Volleyball Tournament, Parade Line-up, Judging PARADE, Youth Horse Show Tournament Registration 11:00 Arts & Crafts, Game Booths, Food & Drinks, Smoking Booth, Kid's Ride, Pony Rides, Ciderwalk	12:00 Country & Western Music, Country Stage, Ambulance Corps BBQ 1:00 p.m. Square Dance Exhibition, Games: Wheelbarrow Races, Egg Toss, Etc., Horsehoe Pitching Tournament 4:00 BBQ Judging 5:00 BBQ & Horsehoe Trophies Awarded 6:00 Volleyball Awards Presented
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•Horsehoe Pitching Tournament •BBQ Cook-off
•Open Arts & Crafts Show •Beer Garden

All Proceeds go back to YOU! For if and when you need the Sheridan Volunteer Ambulance Unit 805, it will be there!

(See Laughlin, Page 3)

Garwood-Nada News

By GEORGIA MICHALKA

Students

Garwood Schools' students-of-the-month for February were Joe Castaneda and Carla Johnson. Joe is in the fourth grade and his parents are Mr. and Mrs. Joe Castaneda. Carla is in the eighth grade and her parents are Mr. and Mrs. Carl Johnson.

March's students-of-the-month were Linda Trevino and Brooke Crane. Linda is in the first grade and her parents are Mr. and Mrs. Raul Trevino. Brooke is in the fifth grade and her parents are Ken and Kim Crane.

The Garwood Lions Club is happy to recognize these students for their good work in school and congratulate them and their parents for their accomplishments.

Birthdays

April 25: Olga Mae Hefner, Bridget Popp.
April 26: Kellie Lanier.
April 27: Stephen Drisk.
April 28: Mrs. J.A. Meisner, Glen Hefner.
April 29: Gary Sosa, Bea Schoellmann.
April 30: Del Labay.
May 1: Brittnay Paas, Raymond Mahalite.

April Anniversaries

28th: Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Kallina.
30th: Mr. and Mrs. Arturo Hernandez, Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Tull, Mr. and Mrs. Pat Meisner.

Homemakers

The Nada-Garwood Extension Homemakers met at the St. Mary's Parish Hall Tuesday, April 16 with 15 members and 2 visitors present. President Elizabeth Schoellmann lead in prayer and the opening song. Roll call was answered with "My favorite wildflower".

National Homemakers Week is the first week in May

and a program is planned in Columbus. Tillie Janish and Elvira Schuetze will be in charge of the Older Texans Booth on May 2. Harry and Ella Buzek are the club's Outstanding Older Texan nominees.

Betsy Miller led a discussion on the Garwood Rice Festival. She encouraged entries in the Rice Dish Contest. R.C. Baumgarten presented an interesting program on "Grapes, Growing with Texas". The Messina Hoff Winery was a topic of particular interest. Refreshments were furnished by co-hostesses Helen Berger and Annie Rek.

Parenting Course offered in East Bernard

The challenges of being a parent in this day and time are immense. Wouldn't it be great if there were a program that equipped parents with the skills they needed to meet these challenges?

We are in sponsoring a parenting program entitled **Active Parenting**. This will be a community wide project supported by the East Bernard Independent School District, the Holy Cross Catholic Church, the First Baptist Church, the Friendship Assembly of God and the East Bernard PTA.

Active Parenting was established to equip parents to face the challenges they'll encounter during the lifelong journey as a parent. Some of the things you'll learn at an **Active Parenting** discussion program are:

- Why regard and punishment often backfire with today's children.
- Communication skills that win cooperation.
- How to teach your child to respect you.
- The three keys to your child's self-esteem.
- Discipline methods that work.
- How to avoid anger.
- Teaching your child responsibility.

Brisco re-elected to Advisory Committee

Sheridan resident, Isam Brisco Jr., was re-elected last week to serve a three-year term on the Farm Credit Bank of Texas (FCBT) Stockholders Advisory Committee for Federal Land Bank Associations (FLBAs).

The advisory committee represents the stockholders of 50 FLBAs in the states of Alabama, Louisiana, Mississippi and Texas. Its purpose is to provide input to the management and board of the FCBT on issues of interest to local FLBA stockholders.

Brisco, who also serves as vice chairman of the board of La Grange-Belville FLBA of Belville, is a rancher in Colorado County and the owner and operator of Sher-Tex Incorporated. As an advisory committee member, he will represent Region 3 which encompasses southern Texas.

With approximately \$3.6 billion in loans outstanding to 60,000 farmers and ranchers in Alabama, Louisiana, Mississippi, New Mexico and Texas, the Farm Credit Bank of Texas is the largest agricultural lender in the five-state region.

Whitfield inducted into Mu Alpha Theta

Kevin Whitfield of Eagle Lake has been inducted into the Mu Alpha Theta National Mathematics Honor Society at Blinn College.

Whitfield was among 39 of the college's top math students who were invited to join the organization, based on their math grades as well as their overall grade point averages.

The chapter's initiation banquet was held April 15.

Laughlin

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market was opened to American rice. In a fair world market, legislation like this would not be necessary. However, in light of current events, Japan must realize the United States government is serious about eliminating unfair trading practices.

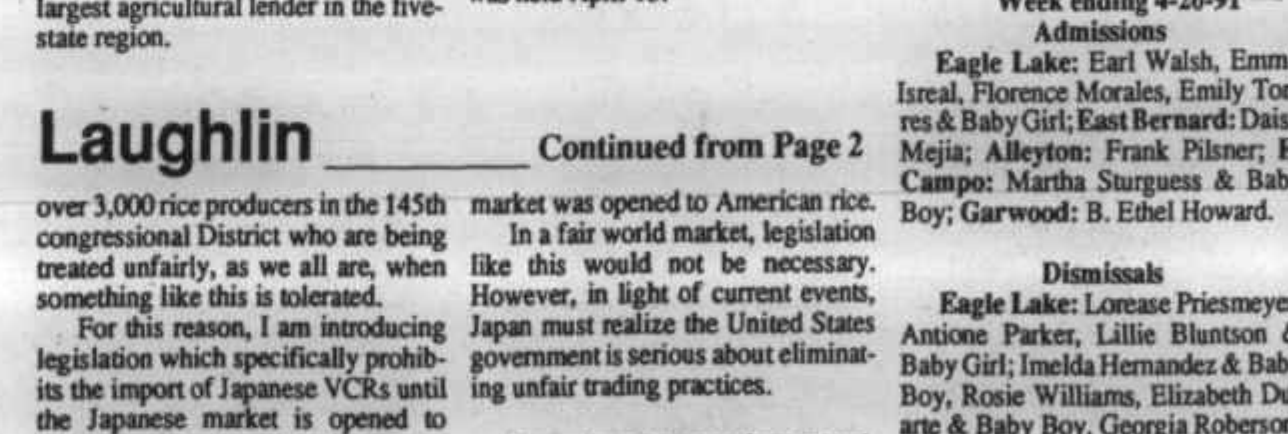
If you have any questions regarding this legislation, infrastructure or any agricultural issue, please feel free to call me at 202-225-2831 or send your inquiries to Congressman Greg Laughlin, 218 Cannon House Office Building, Washington, D.C. 20515.

Rep. Saunders inducted into 'Cattlemen's Council'

State Representative Robert Saunders of La Grange was inducted into the Cattlemen's Council during the associations board of directors meeting in Austin. The "Cattlemen's Council" honors individuals who have made outstanding contributions to improving Texas Agriculture.

Saunders is chairman of the Environmental Affairs Committee in the Texas House of Representatives. He has been instrumental in guiding legislation to improve the Texas agricultural economy.

"We've known for many years that farmers and ranchers are environmentalists first," Bruce Dopplauf, state ICA board member from La Grange, said. "Robert is a good example of someone holding political office who serves as chairman of an environmental committee who also totally understands agriculture."



Bruce Dopplauf, State ICA board member from La Grange (left) and Carl Wendler of Schulenburg (right) are shown making the presentation to Representative Saunders.

COLORADO COUNTY COURTHOUSE REPORT

DEEDS

Deed: Karl Sherrill to James Mabry Trustee, int. in 0.115 acres-Chas Pritch Survey, Filed 04-08-91.

Deed: Cassandra Poulos to James Mabry Trustee, int. in 0.115 acres-Chas Pritch Survey, Filed 04-08-91.

Deed: Lewis B. & Constance A. Eggs to Randy & Karen Eggs, part of lot 1 thru 13, blk. No. 20, Patrick Reels Survey, Eagle Lake, 04-08-91.

Deed: Jack Brasher, et al to M.R. Jaska, and MRJ Interests, 33,460 acres-Assa Townsund Survey, 04-08-91.

Deed: Jay Doe & Lucille Tobias to Raymond V. Cruse, 232.601 acres-Barnard Suider, et al Surveys, 04-08-91.

Deed: Amoco Production Company to Global Natural Resources Corp. of Nevada, real and personal property, 04-10-91.

Deed: Domingo H. & Rose M. Castillo to Jose Alfredo Puga Leon, 3 tracts in blk. No. 25-Westmoreland Addition-Eagle Lake, 04-10-91.

Deed: Edward J. Hall to Joan Hall Lasley, int. in lot No. 7, blk. No. 1-McCormick Addition No. 3-Columbus, 04-11-91.

Deed: Johnny Edward Baros to Dana Marie Baros, 1.1716 acres-P. Reels Survey, 04-12-91.

Deed: Dana Marie Baros to Johnny Edward Baros, 1.0564 acres-P. Reels Survey, Eagle Lake, 04-12-91.

Deed: William T. Youens, Jr., to Karl Youens, int. in a tract-E. Tumlinson League, 04-12-91.

Deed: Catherine Henry and Catherine Jenkins to Elmo Henry, int. in lot No. 18-Hajovsky Subd.-W.B. Dewees League, 04-12-91.

COUNTY COURT CASES FILED

David Blair Booth; speeding appeal; J.P. Pct. #1. Filed 04-15-91.

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Write-In Candidate

Eagle Lake City Council

MELVIN J. STANCIK

•Eagle Lake resident 32 years
•Locally employed (retail business) - 32 years
•Active member and past Commander of VFW Post #8783
•Active member of Eagle Lake Volunteer Fire Dept. - 24 years
•Secretary of Eagle Lake Volunteer Fire Dept. - 15 years
•Member of the Volunteer Fire Dept. Pension Board
•Vice President of United Way for 1991
•Active member and Chairman of the Deacons, First Baptist Church
•Member of the Colorado County Historical Commission

I would appreciate your Write-In Vote and Support in the Election on May 4, 1991

Political advertisement paid for by Melvin J. Stanick, 208 West State Street, Eagle Lake, Texas 77434.

Nichols attends National Symposium

Brenda Nichols, LVN at South Texas Medical Clinic, recently attended the National Symposium on Pacing and Arrhythmia control for Cardiac Pacing Specialists at the Grosvenor Resort at the Walt Disney World Village, Lake Buena Vista, Florida sponsored by the Teletronics Pacing Systems, Inc., an accredited provider of continuing education in nursing by the Eastern Regional Accrediting Committee of the American Nurses' Association.

The four day symposium is to provide the most current and finest information available on all essential aspects of cardiac pacing and arrhythmia control for nurses, technicians, physician assistants, and practicing physicians already involved in cardiac pacing. Nichols is one of two nurses

Elect MELODY F. GRIGAR to Position #1, Rice CISD Board of Trustees

EAGLE LAKE COMMUNITY HOSPITAL PATIENTS

Week ending 4-20-91
Admissions
Eagle Lake: Earl Walsh, Emma Israel, Florence Morales, Emily Torres & Baby Girl; East Bernard: Daisy Mejia; Alleyton: Frank Pilsner; El Campo: Martha Sargues & Baby Boy; Garwood: B. Ethel Howard.

Dismissals
Eagle Lake: Lorence Priesmeyer, Antione Parker, Lillie Bluntson & Baby Girl; Imelda Hernandez & Baby Boy; Rosie Williams, Elizabeth Duarte & Baby Boy; Georgia Roberson, Cindy Sanchez & Baby Boy; Altair: Catherine Frederick; Columbus: Johnnie Marshall, Hubert Coleman; Hallettsville: Beverly High; El Campo: Tammy Lieser & Baby Boy; Garwood: Ruby Amos.



•Married to Mike Grigar; mother of Lance, 12, and Lori, 9
•Native of Eagle Lake
•Rice High School Honor Graduate
•Bachelor of Science degree in accounting and history from Houston Baptist University
•13 Years experience in accounting profession; self-employed

•President of Eagle Lake Middle School Parent-Teacher Organization 1989-91
•Member of Eagle Lake Primary School Campus Improvement Team 1987-88
•Director of Eagle Lake Industrial Foundation and Eagle Lake Crimestoppers
•Former officer and director of Eagle Lake Chamber of Commerce
•Little League volunteer

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