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Two Jr. High students chosen for District Drug Awareness Essay competition

The Rotary District 589 Drug Awareness Committee recently sponsored a 1991 Essay Contest. This project was implemented as a pilot project of the Space Center Rotary Club in 1989 and was carried out in the Clear Lake Intermediate School in the Clear Creek School District. It was originally designed by the Space Center Rotary Youth Committee in cooperation with school administrators and the teachers who actually used the program.

The students were to write an essay concerning their thoughts on drugs and drug abuse. They were given effective study materials which helped them in writing their essays. Over 40,000 students in District 589 competed in this contest. Kelly Thomson won first place and Shea McClanahan won second from Eagle Lake.

About Town...

"We were informed Monday that Cpl. Derrick E. Thomas returned to Austin Thursday from the Persian Gulf. Derrick would like to pass along a "thank you" to everyone who sent letters, packages or any type of support. Derrick is the son of Barbara Thomas, grandson of Annie Bell Thomas and nephew of Lillie Parker, all of Eagle Lake. Welcome home, Derrick!"

"Robert Davis of Eagle Lake and Chris Wilson who was visiting from Houston stopped by Sunday to show off the 35 pound yellow catfish they had just caught in the Colorado River using shrimp for bait. We're sure of the weight thanks to assistance and scales of neighbor George Causey. Hopefully we will have a picture for "posterity" in next week's paper (or as soon as the film comes back... it was taken with color film)."

"It's been heard around town that at least two well-known individuals would not turn down a position on City Council if written-in. Besides the write-in candidates we know about (Melvin Stanick, Don Bendy, Mike Marland and Leroy Alvarado) it is said Bill Appelt and David Mann would serve in this capacity."

"The membership of the Eagle Lake Industrial Foundation met Thursday, April 18th, in the conference room at the First National Bank of Eagle Lake for their annual stockholders meeting, election of officers and board of directors meeting. Officers for the coming year will be: President, Don Bendy; Vice President, Charles Garrett and Secretary-Treasurer, Travis Wegenhoft. Three-year directors will be Steve Balas, Charles Garrett and Jeannine Fearing. Two-year directors are: Don Bendy, Bill Harrison Jr. and Russell Thomas. Directors with one year left to serve are Melody Origer, Tom Reed and Travis Wegenhoft."

Sheriff's Report

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still open pending further investigation.

Saturday, April 20 at 12:30 a.m. Sheriff's Deputy Nello Strickland III investigated an attempted burglary at F.W. Foodstore in Garwood. Photo's were taken of the east front wooden door next to the coke machines. Actors tried to open the door and the screen door and attempted to pry open the wooden door at the door knob and the top lock. Strickland printed the area around the door and found a partial print on the door knob. The case is still open pending further investigation.

April 21, at 11 p.m. Colorado County Sheriff's Deputy Leonard Peters observed a vehicle parked without lights on the abandoned stretch of Old Hwy 90 located north of Hwy 90 just east of the east river bridge. Peters approached the vehicle to check it, finding two subjects standing next to the vehicle. Peters talked to the suspects while looking in the windows of their vehicle with a flashlight. He observed a small pipe (of the type commonly used for smoking Mari-

Commissioners

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terim status with the Texas Water Commission (TWC) died for lack of a second after Commissioner Leon "Sonny" Spaniel moved to accept it.

The court's action will in no way influence the TWC's decision and was initially brought up to guarantee Tricil would make public all information concerning the hazardous waste site prior to receiving the go ahead from TWC. Tricil representatives said all information has been made public and would be distributed to local libraries in the next few weeks.

In other action, the court:

- Approved an annual \$5,000 contribution to Colorado Valley Transit;
- Learned the law prohibits county employees and officials from making long distance phone calls from county telephones and reimbursing the county for the calls;
- Moved the May 27 court meeting to May 28 due to Memorial Day falling on May 27;
- Approved June 8 at 10 a.m. as the date and time for an auction to be held in Precinct 1, and
- Approved the County Auditor's financial report and received a report from Cliff Strickland of Stephenson, Strickland and Bass of Wharton, the county's outside auditing firm.

To The Citizens of Eagle Lake...

As you make your decision concerning who to vote for in the City Council Race, we ask you to consider...

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Political advertisement paid for by Concerned Citizens for Don Bendy, Resided Thomas and Steve Balas, Treasurers, 702 S. McCarty, Eagle Lake, Texas 77434.



'Soil Stewardship Week'

The Honorable Judge H.O. "Butch" Strunk is shown signing a proclamation designating April 28-May 5, 1991 as Soil Stewardship Week. Witnessing the signing, from left to right are George Cason, chairman of the Colorado Soil and Water Conservation District, Melvin Albright, vice-chairman, Theodore Schultz, secretary-treasurer, Herbert Engstrom and Elton Litzmann, regular members.

Soil Stewardship Week, April 28-May 5

The Directors of the Colorado Soil and Water Conservation District #333 hosted a breakfast at Schoch's Restaurant on April 18, for ministers and their guests from throughout the county in observance of Soil Stewardship Week which is April 28 through May 5.

Other guests were the County Judge, who signed a proclamation designating April 28-May 5 as Soil Stewardship Week; County Commissioners; Tracy Wegenhoft, teacher at St. Anthony's School in Columbus who is the winner of the State Teacher Award; Kevin Humphries, County Executive Director of ASCD; Rick Jahn, recently employed County Extension Agent; members of the press and radio station; SWCD directors; and SCD personnel.

Pre-K, Kindergarten registration for Columbus ISD students

Pre-Kindergarten and Kindergarten registration for the Columbus School District for the 1991-92 school year will begin at 8:30 a.m. on Monday, April 29, 1991 in the school lobby and continue all week at the Columbus Elementary School office at 732-3014 between the hours of 8:10 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

To be eligible for Pre-Kindergarten, a child must be four (4) years old on September 1, 1991 and meet other established criteria. To be eligible for Kindergarten, a child must be five (5) years old on September 1, 1991, and a resident of the Columbus Independent School District.

As approved by the CISD school board, bus transportation for eligible students will be provided only for the afternoon classes. All other slots, morning and afternoon, will be assigned on a space available system determined by a first-come, first-serve sign-up starting on April 29, 1991. Parents must present the child's birth certificate, social security number, and validated shot record. All immunizations must be up-to-date at the time of registration.

Parents who have questions regarding Kindergarten registration are encouraged to contact the Columbus Elementary School office at 732-3014 between the hours of 8:10 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Kindergarten Orientation Columbus Elementary will have a Pre-Kindergarten and Kindergarten Orientation at the school library on Tuesday, August 8, for all students and parents of students entering Pre-K and Kindergarten in the fall of 1991.



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Drug Essays

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sugar but tastes very different. People sniff ice to get it in them. The club leaders teach us that drugs may give us a buzz, but when we take it in we're hurting ourselves. We're not just hurting ourselves we're hurting our loved ones and our friends. People use drugs to get high. When people use drugs they think they are being cool. When we get in high school we have a hard time with peer pressure. Kids push you to using drugs. When people go to parties they have peer pressure to drink, smoke or use drugs. In our pledge we pledge to say NO to drugs and to alcohol. As we say our pledge we are saying we want to be free from drugs. That's what it means to me."

Congratulations to these students for their courageous stand against drugs. If we, as citizens and parents, stand behind all the youth in this community, we could hear alot more kids expressing these kinds of feelings.

We say it's cold,
You say it's hot.
We say you're thin,
You say you're not.
One thing, though,
We all agree.
We'd love you the same
If you were 93!

Happy 27th

Mom, Doug & the Girls
(Tonya, too!)

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Addresses are urgently needed for the 20 year reunion to be held on June 22. Any and all class members or teachers from Rice High School's classes of 71-74, contact anyone of the following as soon as possible: Kathy (Miller) Ware, 713-437-1788, Theresa (Shannon) Laughlin 409-297-2398, Susan (Braden) Hadley 409-234-5337, Debbie (Duncan) Vawter 409-234-5457 or 234-3523, Traylor Walker 409-234-3937 or 234-3921, Connie (Breithaupt) Gertson 409-234-3931 or Enola (Pavia) Gertson 409-234-5070 or 234-2780.

Sheridan PTS meeting date changed

The Sheridan PTS meeting that was regularly scheduled for Tuesday, May 14, has been changed to Monday, May 13. This meeting will include Kindergarten graduation beginning at 6 p.m. at the Sheridan School.

VOTE THIS SATURDAY!

With the City and School Board elections only a few days away, we are including in this issue not only a list of the polling places once more, but a sample ballot provided by the City.

No matter who you vote for, give your choices a lot of thought and **VOTE!** You may never have this situation again with the Council positions being determined by your write-ins. Also

there are two good candidates for Position #2 on the School Board. If you support the unopposed candidates running for trustee positions, (See Elections, Page 13)

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Anderson and Anderson tops in Rice Class of '91

Rice High School announced top graduates of the Class of 1991 this week as well as plans for commencement exercises.

Darryl Anderson, son of Arthur and Mary Lou Anderson of Eagle Lake, is valedictorian of the 55-member class. Salutatorian of the class is Noble Anderson, son of Mark and Becky Anderson, also of Eagle Lake.

Included in this year's list of honor graduates are Hector Tapia, son of Mr. and Mrs. Hector Tapia Sr. of Eagle Lake and Lareina Pence, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Larry Pence of Sheridan.

Darryl has been accepted to Yale, Duke and Rice University, but has not yet



Darryl Anderson Noble Anderson

NEWSBRIEFS

Little League opening day Saturday

The Eagle Lake Little League will hold their opening day ceremonies and games this Saturday, May 4th. A barbecue beef dinner will be served 5-7 p.m. Plates are \$4.50 for adults and \$3 for children 12 and under. An auction will also be held immediately following the ceremonies. See schedule on page 11.

Rabies clinic in Garwood Saturday

Rabies vaccination clinic for dogs and cats will be held Saturday, May 4th from 12-2 p.m. at the Garwood School Shop. Cost is \$5 per head. Dr. R.H. Potter is the veterinarian. The clinic is sponsored by the Garwood Lion's Club.

Thrift Shop open this Saturday

Thrift Shop will be open from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturday, May 4. Stop by and browse through the great selection of items offered at very low prices.

Brast Family reunion set for May 5

On Sunday, May 5, the 13th Annual Adolph and Theodore Brast family reunion will be held at the Lux Camphouse in Sealy. Each family is reminded to bring a covered dish for their family. Lunch will be served at 12 noon. All family members from the area are encouraged to attend.

Special Services to be held Sunday, May 5

Special Services will be held Sunday, May 5, beginning at 10 a.m. at Bethlehem de Judea Assemblies de Dios located at 1000 East E. Street, Eagle Lake. The speaker will be Rev. Frank Becerra from Iglesia Hispana Grace Community in Missouri City.

Rev. Manuel Garcia and church members urge everyone interested to attend.

RHS Athletic Banquet to be held May 6

The Rice High School Athletic Banquet will be held Monday, May 6 in the Commons of Rice High School. Tickets may be purchased for \$5 from Mrs. Williams at the school. Tickets will be available until May 2 at Laker Printing in Eagle Lake and school offices in Garwood and Sheridan. For more information, call 234-3535 between the hours of 8 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Columbus Garden Club to meet May 8

The Columbus Garden Club will meet at Frisch Auf Country Club in La Grange on Wednesday, May 8 at 10:30 a.m. to honor their Charter President, Mrs. Margaret Litzmann. The club was organized in 1936.

The Garden club would welcome friends and acquaintances of Mrs. Litzmann to join them in honoring her at the meeting and salad luncheon. Reservations can be made with Mrs. Ginneer Fehrenkamp, 732-2488, Columbus. Price of the luncheon will be \$7.50.

Mrs. Litzmann served the unexpired term of her husband, Edgar L. Litzmann, as County Clerk of Colorado County after his death in 1967. She served until January 1, 1969.

Greater Rising Star benefit musical

Greater Rising Star Baptist Church is sponsoring a benefit musical for Rev. Gary Scott and his wife on Saturday, May 18, at 7:30 p.m. We are asking all the local churches and choirs to come out and give their support. Rev. O. Scott, pastor, Sis. Abernethy Parker, president.

Insurance rep. at Mann's Funeral Home

Mann's Funeral Home in conjunction with Globe Life Insurance is happy to announce beginning May 1st, a representative will be available to offer low cost insurance for people to use toward their final expenses. For more information see classified ad on page 12.

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Substitute teachers approved...

Drymalla awarded another building project

By Lynda Appelt
Contributing Writer

Rice Consolidated Board of Trustees awarded the bid for the Rice High School and Garwood building projects to Drymalla Construction of Columbus at a special meeting held on Tuesday, April 23. Superintendent Carolyn McGaughey abstained from any recommendation on the bid since her husband is an employee of Drymalla.

At a March 27 meeting, the board had tabled action on acceptance of the

low bid of \$388,000 by Gaekle Construction of Giddings due to the fact that the bid was some \$65,700 over the estimated projected amount that had been allowed out of bond money. At that time the board speculated that re-bid was a possibility. Drymalla was second in the bidding process at that time.

After the building committee met with Architect Randy Fromberg and made changes and deletions, the decision was made to re-bid the project. Tuesday's meeting was the result of

the re-bidding process with Drymalla receiving the low bid in the amount of \$336,287 with a 120 day completion date. These projects are the last new construction to be bid.

Fromberg reported that the major re-design was made in the concession area that is to be constructed in the

(See School Board, Page 14)

Orchard company awarded airport bid

Bids for construction work at the Eagle Lake Airport were opened at 11 a.m. Thursday, April 25th, in the Council Room at City Hall. Of the six valid bids received, Denehl Construction, Inc. of Orchard came in with the lowest at \$210,662.30 base bid (using hot mix) with an alternate bid of \$175,004.30 (substituting cold mix).

Others bidding for the work were W.T. Byler Company, Inc. of Houston with a base bid of \$239,360.15 and an alternate of \$216,776.75; Jones G. Finke, Inc. of Sealy, \$213,550.00, no alternate; Galin Corporation, Houston, \$324,030.40, \$281,438.90; Hubco, Inc., Houston, \$228,949.90, \$192,499.50, and Dean & Keng Pav-

ing Company, Inc., Giddings, \$229,303.50 and \$192,654.00.

According to Acting City Manager Lucille Perry, it appears the State will come up with additional monies in order to include the better hot mix for the runway.

City manager prospects interviewed. The three applicants for the position of city manager were scheduled to be interviewed Tuesday evening, April 30th.

Of the three, references and backgrounds will be checked on two of them: Arthur F. Lis of Austin and Lloyd "Pec Wee" Drake of Deer Park.

Eagle Lake Police Department Report

On Wednesday, the 17th, the Eagle Lake Police Department received a report of a burglary of a residence on Airline Drive. Entry was gained by possibly a football going through a window and shattering the glass. Officer Staudt advised that the complainant stated they were missing amounts of marijuana.

Esterling informed the court the county would be receiving the same grant as last year and would need the same matching funds from each entity in the county, previously approved by each city council and the court.

"I just found out from the Houston-Galveston Area Council, the people who make the final decision if we get the grant, that due to the work our people have done this past year, our grant will automatically be renewed," said Esterling.

He went on to say that since the force was so successful this past year, the \$13,000 set aside by each entity would not have to be used to cover the past year's matching funds.

Only some \$3,700 of each \$13,000 would have to be given since the force was able to make so many good cases which have already gone to court.

"The district attorney receives 25 percent of the fines from the court cases and the task force receives the balance. We also earn money from the sale of confiscated vehicles and property as well as any actual money taken in during busts. This helps defray the costs paid by each city in the county," said Esterling.

The main question asked by the commissioners dealt with putting the actual suppliers in jail.

"I realize that you arrest the local people, but what about the suppliers? When will you be able to get them?" asked Commissioner Otto Loessin.

"You don't just meet the suppliers in the first year you work at this. You have got to earn trust and get introduced. We are on the upward step, but we haven't reached that spot yet," said Esterling.

"Well, it will be a happy day in my life when the big wheels hit the dirt," said Loessin.

"Yes, but when one goes down, another will be there to take his place. There is big money in this drug field and we will have to continue to fight it," said Esterling.

Conner, Villarreal and Targac all spoke well of the force and emphasized that the amount of time the head of the force and his agents have been spending in making deals should be commended.

The court then moved on to discuss the juvenile grant which will expire in September and has not been renewed.

Currently, Bobby Johnson of Eagle Lake serves as the officer for the

More arriving home every week

Spc. Roberto Hernandez

We are glad to inform Eagle Lake citizens that Spc. Roberto P. Hernandez returned Monday, April 15 from the Persian Gulf. A "Welcome Back" party was given to Roberto on Sunday, the 21st. He talked to his nieces and nephews about his experiences in Iraq and throughout the war.

On Tuesday, he visited the Eagle Lake Middle and Primary Schools. He thanked all the students for their support and letters.

Roberto would also like to thank everyone who supported the troops, especially his mom and dad. Roberto is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Alfonso Hernandez of Eagle Lake. Welcome back, Roberto!

Dr. José Ugarte

Eagle Lake welcomes Major José M. Ugarte, M.D., back from active duty status at Fort Hood.

Ugarte has been stationed at Darnall Army Community Hospital since Feb. 27. For the last few weeks he has been seeing the troops return from Desert Storm and giving discharge physicals.

He will resume seeing patients on Wednesday, May 8.

Petty Officer 3rd Class James Williamson

Petty Officer 3rd Class James Williamson, son of Mrs. Joyce Williamson of Sheridan, returned home Thursday, April 25, from Bahrain (an island off the coast of Saudi Arabia). James is a 1985 graduate of Rice High School who joined the U.S. Navy in 1984. He worked in supply, handling



Spc. Roberto P. Hernandez

Ray Hernandez, Roberto's nephew, shows off a present brought to him from Saudi.



Dr. José M. Ugarte

Petty Officer James Williamson

air cargo. Welcome home, James! Welcome home to all!