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Dedications

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Roy Van Nort to unveil the newly placed street marker at the corner of Hutchins and Partridge Lane.

After a break which allowed those attending the 3 p.m. ceremony to cool down from the 99° heat, Rice CISD Superintendent Carolyn McGaughey welcomed a large crowd to the new Eagle Lake Primary School.

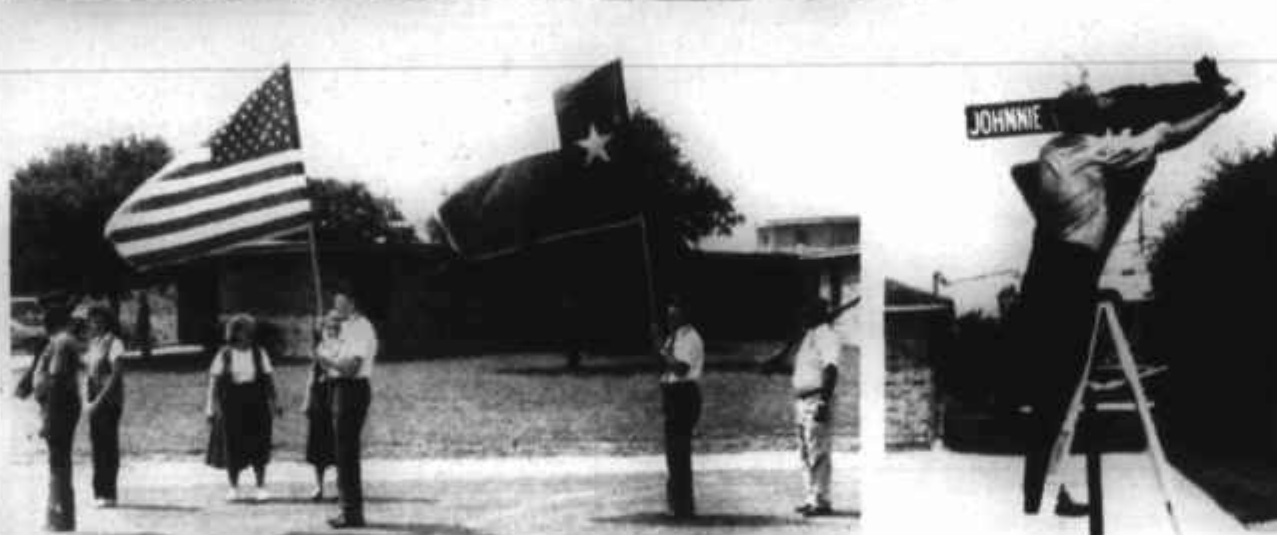
Following the invocation given by Rev. Obie Rhodes of White Cloud Baptist Church, the "Presentation of Colors" was performed by Eagle Lake Boy Scout Troop 334 and their leader Verlin Argo who lead the crowd in pledges to the U.S. and Texas flags.

Primary School Principal H. Major Bengue was next on the program. One of the first things he did was

introduce his teachers and staff present. During his comments, Bengue said, "It seems like just a few weeks ago we were standing out there, in the vicinity of the second row of cars in the parking lot, turning huge 'clouds' of dirt at the ground-breaking ceremony. It's as if this building sprang up from that dirt."

Board President John Matthews' comments and official dedication of the building closed out the program. Matthews quickly explained the various steps which were necessary to realize the building of the new facility, from teacher and staff input on the floor plan to Drymalla Construction's completion in record time after it quit raining long enough for the founda-

tion to be poured. The building covers 40,700 square feet and will house approximately 375 students at a cost of \$1,640,884. Included is a large "multi-purpose" room which will serve as the cafeteria, gym and auditorium. The floor in this room is a special "sport floor" which is highly recommended by the American Volleyball Association. It is constructed of a special tile over what appeared to be a honeycomb-type base and is reported to reduce injuries. In closing, Matthews invited everyone to take a tour but asked them to only look in the classrooms and not enter them due to the fact that furniture and supplies were still being moved into the building.



Clockwise from upper photo: Some of those who attended the Hutchins Dr. dedication; City Utility Supervisor Harry Supak uncovers the Hutchins Drive sign at the Heritage Lane Intersection and VFW Post 8783 and Ladies Auxiliary presenting the colors.



Eagle Lake Mayor Roy Van Nort unveils new street sign at the culmination of Saturday's dedication of Johnnie D. Hutchins Drive.

Police Report

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gating the theft. Wednesday morning, about 7:30 a.m., Sgt. Jones received a report of criminal mischief on Stockbridge. Upon investigation, he found two window panes and two flood lights shot. They appeared to have been shot with a BB gun and it is believed to be the work of juveniles.

Wednesday about 8:20 p.m., Officer Johnson received a complaint that a wallet, containing a small amount of cash and some credit cards, had been stolen at The Cupboard Washeteria on Boothe. While the complainant was putting clothes into her car, she left her purse inside. She picked up her purse and went into the store to buy something and found her wallet was gone.

Officer Johnson was dispatched to a disturbance on Fairview St. Thursday evening. Two subjects were transported to the police department where they began fighting again. Kirby Gene Robinson and Louis Montreane Richardson were arrested and charged with disorderly conduct and transported to the County Jail for confinement.

Officer Johnson was also called to another criminal mischief case where a subject kicked out the left rear window and broke the windshield of a complainant's car on Sixth St. Complainant was advised to go by and file on the suspect with the judge Monday.

Officer Argo received a call to Fourth St. Sunday morning where a

color TV and a VCR had been stolen. There is a suspect in this case.

Late Sunday, Officer Argo was dispatched to Dan's Minute Stop where he was told a subject had taken two 12-packs of beer and left without paying. The suspect, Marvin Thomas, was located, taken in for processing, then transported to the County Jail for confinement and to see a judge.

Officer Johnson was dispatched to Dan's Minute Stop Monday night in reference to a subject taking some wine and hamburgers without paying. A description was given to the officer; he located the subject and brought him back to Dan's where he was identified. The subject paid for the merchandise and no charges were filed.

Sheriff's Report

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fleeing were filed. At the time of his arrest, he had in his possession 35 rocks of what is suspected to be crack cocaine with a street value of approximately \$2,000.

Bond was set at \$20,000 for the possession charge and \$2,000 for fleeing. Ashton posted bond Monday and was released.

Sheriff's Department Lt. R.H. Wied reports the arrest of Charles Henry Robinson last week has cleared several burglary cases. Robinson has been charged with burglary of the resi-



American Legion Commander Fred Frnk addresses the gathering at the Hutchins Drive dedication while members of Johnnie's family, Elizabeth Schmidt (sister) and Bennie Schmidt (nephew), look on to his immediate left.

Commissioners

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grant requests for housing rehabilitation in Garwood to the Texas Department of Commerce for the Community Development Project Fund; and

*Accepted the resignation of Robert A. McGill as treasurer and member of the Children Protective Services advisory board effective Sept. 9.

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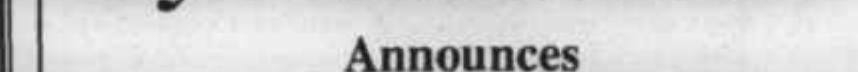
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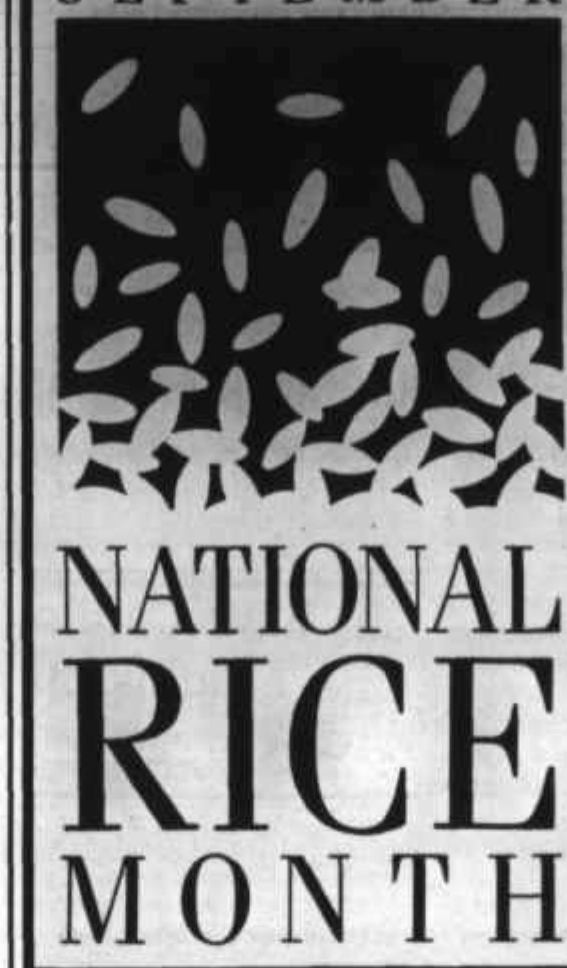
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SEPTEMBER



Youngster's 4-H calf project stolen in Brazoria County

A reward of \$2,000 is being offered for information leading to the arrest and conviction of the person or persons involved in the theft of a 4-H calf project in Brazoria County. The calf was the project of Josh West, a member of the Angleton Leather and Lace 4-H Club.

Sometime during the night of Aug. 29th-30th, a six-month old red, purebred Simbrah heifer (tattoo #A1135 in both ears) was stolen from the old Turner Ranch pens located on County Road 35 and FM 521 south of Rosarion. Also taken was a recipient Holstein cow belonging to Granada Land and Cattle which was being used until the heifer was weaned. The Holstein also has ear tattoos; but number was unavailable at press time.

Anyone with information concerning this theft should contact the Brazoria County Sheriff's Department, Deputy David Cisneros, at 409-849-2441. Also investigating the theft is Doyce Cook of the Southwest Cattlemen's Association.

NEWSBRIEFS

Have 'Dinner with the Coaches' Tuesday

Rice Raider Boosters are sponsoring "Dinner with the Coaches" Tuesday, Sept. 10th, at The Barn Restaurant in Eagle Lake. Athletic Director Mark Johnson and his staff will present video highlights of the freshman, junior varsity and varsity games against Boling. A re-cap of the girl's volleyball program will also be presented. Dinner will be at 7 p.m. and, if interested, reservations can be made by calling Jim Wiese at 234-5480. For those not interested in dinner, the video and re-cap will begin at 7:30 p.m. See you at The Barn!

Softball players wanted

Softball players are wanted for a Mixed Fall League and/or Tournament. If you are interested, call Wayne at Johnny's Sport Shop, 234-3516.

Thrift Shop open Saturday

The Thrift Shop will be open Saturday, Sept. 7, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Lots of bargains, including a ceiling fan and a Singer sewing machine, await you.

OLGC Picnic Dance Sept. 14

The Our Lady of Guadalupe Annual Picnic Dance will be held Sept. 14, 1991, at the Eagle Lake KC Hall. Music will be provided by the "Klass Band" from 9 p.m.-1 a.m. The picnic will be held Oct. 13 at the Our Lady of Guadalupe Church. Be sure to attend both events!

TAAS exit level tests administered at Rice

Individuals no longer enrolled in a Texas public school who have completed all other graduation requirements, but have not previously passed both sections of the TEAMS test, may register to retake the exit level mathematics and/or English language arts tests. These individuals may pick up a registration packet at the vocational counselor's office, Rice High School. Registration packets must be received in Iowa City, Iowa, no later than 5:00 p.m. Sept. 18, 1991.

The English language arts test will be given on Wednesday, Oct. 9, 1991, beginning at 8:30 a.m. in the Rice High School meeting room. The following day the same setting will be used for the mathematics test. Eligible 11th grade students who are presently enrolled at Rice High School will be registered for the TAAS test by their respective counselor. This test is given Oct. 8, 9 and 10, 1991.

Civic Garden Club meeting Sept. 9

The Civic Garden Club of Eagle Lake would like to invite all members and their guests to its next meeting to be held September 9, at the home of Ann Pavliska, 712 Partridge Lane. A luncheon will be served at 12 noon immediately preceding the meeting. All members are encouraged to attend because the 1991-92 yearbooks will be issued at this time.

Raider season tickets remain on sale

Season tickets for Rice Raider home football games remain on sale at the Rice CISD Business Office through Sept. 6th. Single game tickets will be on sale the week of the game. The office is open from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. each day.

Raider Boosters monthly meeting

The Rice Raider Boosters will be having their monthly meeting on Monday, Sept. 9th, at 6:30 p.m. in the PAC Center. Further activities for the year will be discussed. If you would like to join the Boosters, call Jean Wiese at 234-5480; Vicki Powers, 234-3238; Robbin Clipson at 234-2675; or John Popp at 543-4098. Our athletes would appreciate your support.

Cholesterol/Triglyceride Screening

A Cholesterol/Triglyceride Screening will be held at the Gulf Coast Medical Center, Classroom A, on Wednesday, Sept. 18, from 7-9 a.m. You must pre-register by calling 1-800-468-2469 or 532-8700. The cost is \$8.

Cub Scout's 'School Night'

The Eagle Lake Cub Scouts will hold their annual "School Night" Tuesday, Sept. 10th, in the Eagle Lake Middle School cafeteria beginning at 7 p.m. This will be the night for all interested 1st through 5th graders to sign up for Cub Scouts. Information will be handed out at the schools.

Celebration of Apparition, Miracle

Come see the celebration of the Fifth Anniversary of the Apparition and Miracle of Holy Mary at Pecan Grove, four miles west of Hallettsville on Highway 90-A, Sunday, Sept. 15, beginning at 3 p.m. Please bring chairs and come sing Christian or Patriotic songs. Short Christian speeches and readings will be a part of the celebration. Holy Mary thanks you. Please help promote this forever. Holy Mary came for everyone on Sept. 18, 1986, at 5 o'clock.

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Multi-alarm fire consumes thousands of railroad ties

It's unfortunate the "frog strangler" of a rain Eagle Lake got after 3 p.m. Tuesday didn't come through at 3 a.m. It would have saved hundreds of man-hours for the Eagle Lake, Garwood, Rock Island and Columbus Volunteer Fire Departments.

Eagle Lake Police Officer Jim Stauder received a report from two men passing through town about 2 a.m. Tuesday morning that there was a huge fire out FM 102. When Stauder checked it out he found the large stacks of railroad ties, owned by A&K Railroad Materials located at the old Santa Fe Switchyard on 102, burning in two places. Units of the Eagle Lake VFD were immediately dispatched to the scene.

During the first two hours of fighting to control the blaze, the Rock Island Fire Department was called in to assist with their tanker. Soon after that, Garwood's department was requested along with their tanker as well as men and equipment from Columbus.

All during the day, according to firemen on the scene, individuals were stopping by not only to see what was happening, but to offer assistance in any way they could. It is heart-warming, even to those not directly involved with the fire department, to see the response from the community as a whole when something like this happens.

Of course the Ladies Auxiliary swung into action with Dorothy Jones and Darlene Stancik spearheading the assistance. Joyce Stancik assisted in the early morning before she had to leave for the Courthouse in Columbus. Dorothy and

Darlene made sandwiches and coffee all day; Darlene was at the fire station making coffee at 3 a.m.

And you would expect the Eagle Lake Volunteer Ambulance Corps to respond; but all day long was well above and beyond the call of duty. Carolyn Baird was spotted at the station several times during the day and John Mahalik was returning containers and ice coolers at 8 p.m.

Some of the others in the community who responded with help was Farm & Ranch Aerial Service which sent two water trucks, along with one from the city, to provide much-needed water at the scene; Ron Janow of Austin's BBQ sent out sandwiches; Austin's Grocery sent ice, drinks and food; Sportsman's Restaurant sent breakfast; Larry Dulany and Mrs. A.B. Cone took cold drinks; cash donations were also left at the station; Dan Canaris sent a load of "Gator Aid" out to the scene; Frankie's Countertime Inn offered sandwiches and soft drinks for any fireman who requested them, and planes were flown in by Farm & Ranch Aerial to dump water from above.

Fire Chief Sonny Spanihel said numerous individuals

stopped by or called the station to offer assistance in whatever way was needed.

Columbus was forced to return to their home-base at approximately 2 p.m. to cover a call to their own department. Thankfully, after threatening most of the day, the skies opened up a little after 3 p.m. and released the answer to prayer of every fireman. After more than an hour of a hard, steady rain, Rock Island's tanker was no longer needed and the men made their way back home at approximately 4:15 p.m.; that's over 12 hours of fighting a creosote-based fire.

Eagle Lake finally wrapped things up around 8 p.m., bringing the length of time to 18 hours! This fact alone says quite a bit about the devotion of these volunteers. Also, as far as could be determined at press time, Garwood's men and equipment were there assisting to the very end. The fire was not out, according to a member of the Ambulance Corps, but it was well enough controlled and decreased in intensity to allow it to burn itself out.

As the commercial says, "It does a body good!" In this situation it is a psychological need which is fulfilled.

Expenditures up 2.21%

School district budget increased \$133,590

By Lynda Appelt
Contributing Writer

The Rice Consolidated Independent School District budget hearing last Thursday night brought no citizens out to hear how the board and administration proposes to use the district funds during the 1991-92 school year.

Total proposed expenditures in the budget as approved by the RCISD board of trustees following the hearing shows \$6,274,033, up \$133,590 from the 1990-91 budget of \$6,040,443. This reflects a 2.21% increase.

Instruction expenditures reflected in the budget total \$3,379,966, a 2.98% increase or an amount of

\$97,921 over last year's budget.

Instructional administration budgeted shows a 101.28% increase from \$501,154 in 1990-91 to \$1,009,950 for the 1991-92 school year.

School administration increased from \$329,832 to \$355,603, a 7.81% jump.

Guidance and counseling increased from \$109,059 to \$129,407, health services from \$28,490 to \$33,990, and pupil transportation from \$200,925 to \$236,450, an increase of 17.68%.

Decreases in expenditures are reflected in co-curricular activities, food service and debt service.

Assistant superintendent in charge

of business and finance, Paul Harris, told the board the surplus fund balance as of Sept. 1 was \$1,256,810, a decrease of \$326,993 from last year's surplus of \$1,583,803.

Harris reported that this fund balance is less than the three months operating expense recommended by the auditors and the state that a school district should keep as a fund balance. The fund balance projected for 1992 is \$1,270,573, an increase of \$13,763.

Anticipated revenues for 1992 total \$6,287,796, a \$372,767 increase over last year's revenues of

(See School Board, Page 12)

September is 'National Rice Month'

All across the country and in communities throughout the rice belt, the USA Rice Council is gearing programs to raise awareness and increase sales of rice during National Rice Month in September.

"Everyone in the industry is getting behind the '25 by '95 challenge,'" says Rice Council Executive Vice President Bill Goldsmith, referring to the goal of National Rice Month: to increase domestic per capita consumption to 25 pounds by 1995. "The event has created much excitement, and its encouraging to see growers, millers, packagers and all sectors of our industry working together toward a common goal."

The event has the support of all six rice state governors. Bill Clinton of Arkansas, Pete Wilson of California, Buddy Roemer of Louisiana, Ray Mabus of Mississippi, John Ashcroft of Missouri and Ann Richards of Texas have all proclaimed September as Rice Month in their states. Both President Bush and Agriculture Secretary Ed Madigan have signed proclamations passed earlier this year by the U.S. Congress.

All major domestic rice marketers are involved, gearing targeted advertising and promotional programs to National Rice Month. In addition, four

major national co-op partnerships have been secured.

Kellogg's Kernal Cereal will be the "official cold cereal" sponsor of National Rice Month. In this capacity, Kellogg will reach 52 million consumers on Sunday, September 15, with a newspaper insert and coupon highlighting National Rice Month.

Morrison's Cafeteria, with 900 locations in 40 states, plans to roll out an ethnic-theme rice and honey promotion in September. Called "Around the World with Rice and Honey," recipes showcasing both rice and honey will be developed by the cafeteria's top chefs. Dishes will highlight Mexican, Caribbean, Greek and Asian dishes. The chain will promote National Rice Month with customized posters, buttons and other collateral material.

Popeyes Famous Fried Chicken plans a number of rice surprises in its more than 760 units during September. From Cajun Rice to Red Beans and Rice promotions to the introduction

of a brand new chicken and rice dish, Popeyes plans to highlight National Rice Month on television and radio, in print and in their stores.

White Swan, Inc., the sixth largest food service distributor in the country with sales over \$750 million, will promote their branded products and private label products to their entire customer base. A four-color flyer featuring rice and using the National Rice Month logo is being sent to over 35,000 food service operators.

In addition, the Council staff is working hard to gain maximum exposure for National Rice Month in the media. Council home economist will promote the event during their numerous contacts with radio, television and newspapers. Family Circle, Country Living, Good Housekeeping, Health Magazine, Parenting Magazine and Weight Watchers Magazine will highlight National Rice Month in their September issues.

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Eagle Lake Gymnastics
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