

IS COLORADO COUNTY FOR SALE?

WILL OUR COUNTY BECOME A HAZARDOUS WASTE DUMP?

DON'T BE OVERCOME BY \$250,000 & \$300,000/YR.

I have remained silent until I remembered,

ALL IT TAKES FOR BAD THINGS TO HAPPEN IS FOR GOOD PEOPLE TO DO NOTHING.

I urge you to attend meetings, become informed, make up your own mind, then

LET YOUR FEELINGS BE KNOWN

by your elected officials, The Texas Water Commission and your fellow citizens.

William N. Lehrer

OLGC Queen contestants

Our Lady of Guadalupe Queen Contest is already underway. The contestants are: (left to right) Amy Guerra, daughter of Jerry & Vivian Guerra; Dora Cardenas, daughter of Robert & Elizabeth Rodriguez; and grand-daughter of Pauline Lira; and Misty Lujan, daughter of Richard & Janie Lujan. Please support these young ladies in their fundraising activities. Headlight Photo by Linda Waddell



New small business loan fund being launched

Civic and business leaders in Central Texas have taken on the task of trying to raise \$100,000 to match federal funds that will contribute to a \$600,000 revolving loan fund for small businesses in 18 Central Texas counties. Harvey Kloesel of the Moulton Community Development Corp., Inc. will be contacting local city and county officials, area banks, and electric cooperatives in Colorado and Lavaca counties. Kloesel's pledge goal is \$5,000 for each county. These counties are among those eligible for loan fund participation because they have been designated as "economically distressed" by the U.S. Department of Commerce, which operates the program.

Kloesel is representing Cen-Tex Development Corporation, Inc., a non-profit organization sponsored by the Lower Colorado River Authority. Cen-Tex was formed last year to serve as a base for owners of small businesses to obtain Small Business Administration (SBA) loans with a minimum amount of \$50,000.

"This new loan program will help those who need loans smaller than \$50,000," said Ron Holland, chairman of the Cen-Tex Small Business Loan Fund Committee.

"There are many businesses in Central Texas that require far less than \$50,000 to buy new equipment or make improvements to their buildings. This loan program, which we call the Small Business Loan Fund, will also enable people to expand or operate more efficiently," Holland explained.

The Department of Commerce has set up the matching fund program on a

1:3 basis to help rebuild the economic base in these counties. "The LCRA Economic Development staff is applying for grants to make up an additional \$50,000 so that we will have \$150,000 necessary to obtain \$450,000 from the Department of Commerce," Holland explained.

Other eligible counties in the LCRA service area are Austin, Burleson, Caldwell, DeWitt, Fayette, Gonzales, Hays, Lampasas, Lee, Matagorda, Mason, McCulloch, Mills, San Saba, Waller and Wharton.

WCJC calendar of events

Friday, Sept. 13: Laredo International Womens Volleyball Tournament at Laredo, time TBA.

Saturday, Sept. 14: Laredo International Womens Volleyball Tournament continues at Laredo, time TBA.

Wednesday, Sept. 18: Public hearing by WCJC trustees to adopt WCJC District tax rate, 6:30 p.m., Hutchins Center; regular board meeting at 7:30 p.m.

Friday, Sept. 20: Vernon Womens Invitational Volleyball Tournament at Laredo, time TBA.

Saturday, Sept. 21: TASP Test, 8 a.m. at the Pioneer Student Center and also the JR Peace Building, rooms to be assigned on arrival; Vernon Womens Invitational Volleyball Tournament continues at Laredo, time TBA.

Monday, Sept. 23: Pioneer Homecoming Week begins.

Wednesday, Sept. 25: Trustees meet at 6 p.m. to adopt WCJC District tax rate, Hutchins Center.

Thursday, Sept. 26: Homecoming game, Volleyball WCJC Lady

Pioneers vs. Texas Southmost at Wharton, 7:30 p.m.; Homecoming dance following game; Homecoming Queen crowned at halftime.

Friday, Sept. 27: Last day for dropping courses with grade of "W"; 1st TJCAC Womens Volleyball Tournament at Wharton, time TBA.

Saturday, Sept. 28: 1st TJCAC Womens Volleyball Tournament continues at Wharton, time TBA.

The Board of Directors of the United Way of Eagle Lake Inc. held a meeting on August 20, 1991, at 7 p.m. in the Eagle Lake Community Hospital Conference Room in order to compose and approve the 1991 budget for this fall's campaign drive.

Directors present were Larry Rodgers, President; Laurel Holden, Treasurer; Nancy Nelson, Secretary and 1991 Campaign Drive Chairman; Rev. Charles Miller; Mike Duarte; Veronica Villafuerte; and Claudine Shorter.

Also in attendance was one guest, Rev. David Mann, President of the Colorado Valley Council on Alcohol and Drugs. Rev. Mann requested their funds be increased from \$750 to \$1,000. He explained to the directors that this council works with seven different school districts which includes Rice CISD, for group counseling. Also, if a "needy" person has an alcohol and/or drug problem, the council assists. After listening to Rev. Mann's presentation, the board unanimously approved his request.

After being informed that the Camp Fire Girls were not in need of funds this year, the directors approved deleting this organization as a donee.

After discussing each potential

Lehrers awarded Garwood 'Yard of the Month'

The Garwood Beautification Committee has chosen the yard of Bill and Caroline Lehrer for September 'Yard of the Month.'

It would be difficult to pinpoint one particular area that is more lovely than another as each nook and cranny, as well as larger expanse, is so beautifully landscaped.

Driving up to the home, one crosses a meandering creek overshadowed with dozens of ancient live oak trees. The massive oak trees cover the entire yard area which consists of approximately six acres.

The driveway curves up to the front of the southern plantation-style home, passing a large circle of magnolias, red bud and yaupon trees with a flag pole in the center. Surrounding the turn-around are azaleas, boxwood and jasmine. Immediately in front of

the home are perfectly manicured hedges and beds of boxwood, liriope and red begonias.

Caroline will change the plantings of the begonias from season to season and year to year, so there's always a pleasant surprise. One of her favorite plants to put in this area was white Caladiums, but the many deer they have sharing the yard liked those a little too much, too.

Beds of mandarin, chrysanthemums, dwarf yaupon, ligustrum, photinia and other shrubs surround the foundation of the home. On the north side is a cozy vignette of crushed rock walks circling around a birdbath underplanted with mixed impatiens. This area is encircled by large beds of liriope, with magnolia trees and aspidistra forming a back drop for an unusual, charming birdhouse the

Lehrer's brought back from Caroline's home state of West Virginia.

One exits out the back door onto a pillared portico containing many potted plants of ficus, impatiens, geraniums, begonia and hibiscus. Overlooking a long, rectangular planter of holly fern, one has a cooling, restful view of the swimming pool and the rolling, immense lawn dotted with pines, oaks, magnolias and other trees. On each corner of the pool are jumbo terra cotta planters bursting with lush pink begonias. What a lovely place to spend the evening visiting with friends and watching the deer as they graze across the lawn.

Garwood is fortunate to have such a magnificent estate nearby and such nice people to share it. Thank you, Bill and Caroline.



Pictured in the front yard of their home in Garwood, September, are Bill and Caroline Lehrer. They are the recipients of the "Yard of the Month" award for the month of September. Photo Courtesy of Garwood Beautification Committee

United Way Board meets to compose, approve 1991 budget

The following budget for the 1991 Campaign Drive was approved:

Boy Scouts	\$400
Youth Development	\$500
Colorado County	\$850
Children Service Board	\$1,125
Colorado Valley Council on Alcohol & Drugs	\$1,000
Little League Operations	\$925

Little League Capital Improvements \$750 || Local Relief | \$1,875 |
Colorado County Mental Health-Mental Retardation	\$750
Colorado County Red Cross	\$375
Eagle Lake Salvation Army	\$1,125
Colorado County Special Olympics	\$1,000

Administrative Costs \$600 |

The grand total of the approved 1991 Campaign Drive Budget is \$10,150.00.

The United Way advertisements in the Eagle Lake Headlight will begin October 3, 1991, with the last ad to be published on November 14th.

NOTICE OF COMPARABLE TAX RATES AND REVENUES

The legislature has enacted a statute on school funding to comply with a court mandate enforcing the state constitution. Under prior statutes (SB 1) the tax rate for last year provides \$4,309 per student in state and local revenues. Under this statute (SB 351) that same rate now provides \$4,524 per student in state and local revenues.

State law requires a minimum tax rate of \$.79393 for county education districts. State law does not require a school district to adopt additional taxes. Neither does state law require a school district to adopt a tax rate that maximizes the receipt of state funds.

The board of trustees of the Rice Consolidated Independent School District hereby gives notice that it is considering the adoption of a tax rate of .386395 that will provide \$4,741 per student in state and local revenues.

ANNOUNCING NEW ARRIVALS

Raylean Marie Fleming

Mr. and Mrs. Robin Scott Fleming of Columbus announce the birth of their first child, a girl, born on September 4, 1991 at 12:33 p.m. at the Eagle Lake Community Hospital. The baby was named Raylean Marie and weighed six pounds and seven ounces. The attending physician was Dr. Raymond Thomas.

Maternal grandparents are Sue Yarblo of St. Louis, Missouri. Paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. George Orange Jr. of Columbus. Great grandparents are Regina Briethaupt of Columbus and Mr. and Mrs. John Little of St. Louis, Missouri. The mother is the former Robin Marie Orange of Columbus.

Jessica Anne Lewis

Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Lewis of Eagle Lake announce the birth of their seventh child, a girl, born on September 6, 1991, at 9:53 p.m. at the Eagle Lake Community Hospital. The baby was named Jessica Anne and weighed five pounds, two ounces and measured 17 inches in length. The attending physician was Dr. Jose M. Ugarte.

She is welcomed home by three sisters and three brothers. They are Jackie, age 10; Jana, 8; Wesley, 7; Nora, 5; Raymond, 3 and James, 1. Maternal grandparents are Emily Waddell of Cat Spring and the late John Jack Waddell, III. Paternal grandparents are Robert Lewis of Grand Rapids, Michigan, and the late Norma Lewis. Great grandparents are Betty Drymalls of Bernardo and the late Sylvester Drymalla, Mr. and Mrs. Lauren Dunn and Mr. Albert Lewis, all of Grand Rapids.

Timothy Paul Morales

Mr. and Mrs. Mike Morales of Eagle Lake announce the birth of their third child, a boy, born on September 3, 1991, at 6:08 a.m. at the Eagle Lake Community Hospital. The baby was named Timothy Paul and weighed seven pounds and one ounce. The attending physician was Dr. Raymond Thomas.

The baby is welcomed home by Misty Lane, 8 years old and Michael Joseph, 3 years old. Maternal grandparents are John and Alva Gonzales of Glen Flora. Paternal grandparents are Morris and the late Florence Morales of Eagle Lake. The mother is the former Terry Gonzales.

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Foot Facts

By Dr. Eric R. Tepper, Podiatrist

NEUROMAS

Actually, the term neuroma is something of a misnomer. "Neuro" means nerve, but "oma" means tumor, and there's nothing cancerous about a neuroma. A neuroma is simply thickened nerve tissue caused by chronic pressure on the nerve. It is more like a neuro-calls than anything else. Neuromas occur most often in the weight-bearing ball of the foot, near the toe joint. They may be caused by a biomechanical disorder, by a thinning fat pad on the sole of the foot, or by squeezing the foot into a narrow or high-heeled shoe which puts excess pressure on the ball of the foot. The bones rub against the nerves and cause irritation which leads to the thickening of the nerve. Pain, burning, tingling, and numbness between the toes or on the ball of the foot are common. Orthotics, cortisone injections, and surgery are all used as treatments. Your podiatrist can decide which is best.

The nervous system is miraculously complex, and is the source of both good health and many diseases. Please call my office for further information or for an appointment, at the Eagle Lake Community Hospital at 409-234-5571. I am there the first and third Tuesdays of the month. I offer your entire family high quality, professional and sensitive service, in terms of preventive foot care, as well as diagnosis and treatment.

P.S. Neuromas occur most often between the third and fourth toes.