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1988 Chevrolet Beretta GT Low mileage!	\$7,000	\$6,495 ⁰⁰
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Commissioners

\$5050 or \$2,311 per vote. According to County Clerk Darlene Hayek, all boxes were counted by 8:20 p.m. that evening and all reports from and tests on the counting machine were completed by 9 p.m. Hayek told the County only 8 ballots were "kicked out" by the machine and had to be tallied by the committee. (Vote totals for each proposition are listed below.)

*Commissioners unanimously voted to re-appoint Leslie Heinsohn to the Colorado County Appraisal District Board for his seventh two-year term. Mr. Heinsohn is currently chairman of that board.

*The Court received notification from the Texas Department of Transportation that Districts 13 and 16 of the department will be consolidated into a newly formed District 2 with headquarters in Corpus Christi. Colorado and Austin counties will be the northern most counties of the district which did not seem to set well with members of the Court. This redistricting will close the office in Youakum which is vehemently opposed by U.S. Congressman Greg Laughlin who has asked each county judge in the old District 13 to convey their feelings on the move to him in Washington, D.C. — A \$50,000 bond posted by DCA

Oil & Gas Corp. to protect county roads was accepted by the Court.

*Sheriff Bill Esterling notified the Court of the hiring of a new deputy, Kelly Biggs. Biggs' employment was effective Oct. 28th.

*As requested by the New Town Water Corporation, Commissioners approved the crossing of Old Altair Road with a water line.

*County Judge Butch Strunk read two thank you letters to the Court. One was from Karol Kallina, corresponding secretary for A.C.E. The second letter was from Billy Hefner representing Lions for Clean Environment. The letters thanked the Court for their action last month in opposing hazardous waste disposal sites in the County.

Official Vote Totals Nov. 5, 1991 Election (Colorado County results are listed first followed by statewide results according to the Nov. 6th issue of The Houston Chronicle.)

Proposition 1: Home rule cities to amend charter by popular vote: 1623 in favor (79.6%), 417 against (20.4%); 1,314,981 for (81.2%), 303,847 against (18.8%).

Prop. 2: Repeal Dpt. of Trans. from Texas Taxpayers Authority: 940 for (47.2%), 1023 against (52.8%); 802,220 for (50.3%), 791,455 against (49.7%).

Prop. 3: Enhancement of veterans' housing assistance: 941 for (46.7%), 1072 against (53.3%); 872,396 for (54.3%), 732,295 against (45.7%).

Prop. 4: Issue general obligations for public improvement facilities: 1465 for (69.8%), 634 against (30.2%); 1,117,080 for (67.2%), 544,717 against (32.8%).

Prop. 5: Exemption from ad valorem taxes in enterprise zone: 572 for (30.0%), 1336 against (70.0%); 583,748 for (37.6%), 968,531 against (62.4%).

Prop. 6: Authorize Ethics Commission to recommend salaries: 947 for (47.3%), 1054 against (52.7%); 867,560 for (53.2%), 762,717 against (46.8%).

Prop. 7: Allow trustee to invest funds of a retirement system: 601 for (30.4%), 1374 against (69.6%); 579,204 for (36.9%), 989,411 against (63.1%).

Prop. 8: Considering state debt questions in form of ballot: 1211 for (61.9%), 745 against (38.1%); 1,130,793 for (72.5%), 429,605 against (27.5%).

Prop. 9: Issuance of patents for public free school fund land: 1239 for (63.5%), 711 against (36.5%); 960,282 for (63.3%), 555,789 against (36.7%).

Prop. 10: Exempt property of nonprofit corporations from taxes: 961 for (49.7%), 971 against (50.3%); 854,817 for (54.3%), 705,832 against (45.8%).

Prop. 11: Authorizing a state lottery: 1515 for (71.1%), 616 against (28.9%); 1,081,946 for (64.1%), 607,149 against (35.9%).

Prop. 12: Increase 20 to 50% of Texas Water development bonds: 988 for (52.2%), 906 against (47.8%); 841,554 for (54.4%), 704,946 against (45.6%).

Prop. 13: Issue general obligation bonds for student loans: 1182 for (60.5%), 772 against (39.5%); 1,033,113 for (64.8%), 561,334 against (35.2%).

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Recycling

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Use one grocery bag for clear glass, one for colored glass, one for tin cans and one for aluminum cans. A way to check on cans: if a magnet won't stick to it, it's aluminum.

Because Tricil Environmental Response is providing the collection container free and is absorbing the cost of transporting the materials to Houston, the sale of the recyclables will provide a clear profit to the Chamber as sponsor. Tricil is owner and operator of the Colorado County Landfill. The company is supplying one collection container each for Eagle Lake, Columbus and Weimar. These containers will have separate compartments for each of the recyclable materials. Periodically, Tricil will haul the filled containers to Houston, sell the materials and give all proceeds to sponsoring organizations.

Starting Nov. 27, residents can drop off their recyclables at 734 Main St. near D&S Grocery from 3-5 p.m. on Wednesdays and 9-11 a.m. on Saturdays.



Civic Garden Club assists Wildflower Beautification

Eagle Lake Civic Garden Club is doing their part to make the wildflowers beautiful. The club donated \$1,000 to the Wildflower Beautification Committee. Garden club representative, Beverly Taylor, presents a check to Vicki Powers, Eagle Lake Chamber of Commerce president.

Headlight Photo by Sue Jackson

School board

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Income will be obtained from fund raising, contributions and grants.

Campus principals presented their campus improvement plans and campus performance objectives to the board. These reports were approved. The District Improvement Plan was also approved by the board.

The board reaffirmed its resolution against the proposed hazardous waste permit for Tricil Environmental Response Inc.

The board awarded bids for instructional supplies and library books, authorized bids for food service food and supplies, and athletic supplies and equipment for the spring semester. The board tabled action on the purchase of a school bus and changed the date of the Dec. meeting to the 16th.

The board also approved Billy Hefner IV as a substitute teacher and discussed flooring in the multi-purpose area at the new Eagle Lake Primary School.

The board plans to remove the sports floor installed in the multi-purpose area when the new facility was

constructed, and replace it with a tile floor. The sports floor will be relocated in the Physical Activity Center at Rice High School.

Assistant Superintendent Paul Harris told the board price quotes received on the replacement of the floor with tile have been higher than expected.

The board entered into executive closed session to discuss the status of legal proceedings involving the district. No action or statement was made when the meeting was reconvened.



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Nutrition help available through WIC program

Nutrition counseling and education is available through the Women, Infants and Children's program in Eagle Lake. The WIC has nutritionists on staff in Eagle Lake on Monday and Wednesday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Pregnant or breastfeeding women, infants and children under five years of age are encouraged to apply for benefits provided by the WIC program. This is a federally funded program administered by the Texas Department of Health.

WIC provides food vouchers to qualified persons who can then use the vouchers to buy cheese, milk, cereal, peanut butter, baby formula and such food items. A family of four can make up to \$24,790 annually or \$2,065 a month and qualify for the food vouchers.

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Eagle Lake Police Chief on 90 day probation

Eagle Lake Police Chief Lupé Villarreal was placed on 90-day probation following an executive session at last Monday night's City Council meeting.

Villarreal was given ten specific items to be improved and/or acted upon. These items are: (1) communication among officers and police chief; (2) maintenance of meaningful activity logs by all officers to be produced for review on request; (3) more thorough investigation of incidents including written statements, witnesses, fingerprints, documentation of witnesses making and not making statements; (4) more contact by all officers with the town, schools, etc.; (5) routine shifts making the officer on duty not so predictable and work out a schedule so more officers on during night hours; (6) uniform enforcement

of traffic laws; (7) patrolmen cover all areas of the city; (8) uniform enforcement of juvenile alcohol, curfew and drug problems; (9) better public relations with and courtesy to citizens, and (10) silence among officers in regards to public comments concerning investigation of cases and other remarks in general.

Villarreal was asked to submit a

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Community invited Sunday to Thanksgiving Service

The Annual Community Thanksgiving Service sponsored by the Eagle Lake Ministerial Alliance will be held Sunday, Nov. 24, at 7 p.m. at the United Methodist Church in Eagle Lake. The Rev. Larry Bailey is host pastor for the service.

Preaching this year will be Rev. David Mann, pastor of First Baptist Church of Eagle Lake. Other ministers of the alliance will also take part in the worship service.

A combined choir of voices from several congregations will be led by Mrs. Ann Paviska. Rev. Charles Miller of First Presbyterian Church will be pianist for the service.

As has been our custom, the offering will go to the Ministerial Alliance to be used as funding for their year-round aid to needy families. In addition to the money offering, we are asking that food staples and canned goods be brought to the service this year. The food will be used to replenish the food pantries at the Baptist and Catholic churches which distribute food regularly to our hungry.

The service is designed for us to thank God joyfully for His goodness to us as a community of churches together, and to be a vehicle for sharing our blessings with our wider community.

Come lift up your voices with us! A time of fellowship and refreshment will follow the service in the Fellowship Hall.

NEWSBRIEFS

Congressional assistant at Courthouse today

Congressman Greg Laughlin will have a Congressional assistant in Columbus at the Colorado County Courthouse from 9:30 a.m. to noon on Thursday, Nov. 21 (today). The caseworker will be able to handle problems with Social Security, Veterans benefits, and other topics involving the federal government. No appointment is needed and residents are urged to drop by with problems or question that they may have with the federal government. For more information please call 512-576-1231 in Victoria.

Adult night classes closing November 22

Adult night classes will close on Nov. 22 and will resume a second semester on Jan. 20, 1992. All labs for testing purposes will close Dec. 13.

CCA to hold special called Board meeting

Combined Community Action, Inc. will hold a special called Board of Directors meeting on Monday, Nov. 25, at 7:30 p.m. in La Grange at 531 E. Colorado.

Closing for Thanksgiving holidays

The Eagle Lake Headlight will be closed next week Thursday, Nov. 28th and Friday, Nov. 29th for Thanksgiving holidays. We will open again on Monday morning. News and advertising deadlines will still be 5 p.m. that day. Have a happy and safe Thanksgiving!

ACE meeting to be held Monday

The Alliance for a Clean Environment (ACE) will hold a meeting in the El Campo Civic Center at 7 p.m. Monday, Nov. 25. (In last week's paper, the wrong date was printed.) ACE is the organization which opposes the operation of a hazardous or toxic waste facility in Colorado County. ACE invites everyone to attend the meeting and they hope that many more concerned citizens will join their organization.

A&K's Reward deadline extended

A & K Railroad Materials has extended the reward deadline to March 15th for information leading to the arrest and conviction of the individual or individuals responsible for the arson-caused fire at A&K's Yard near Eagle Lake.

Thrift Shop to open December 7

The Museum Thrift Shop will be open Saturday, Dec. 7, 1991, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Special good buys will include dolls, games, and other toys. Several other good buys are a child's stroller, a baby's high chair, and a butane cook stove.

'Spirit of Christmas' parade set for Dec. 5

The Eagle Lake "Spirit of Christmas" Parade is scheduled for Thursday Dec. 5. The parade will begin at 7 p.m. with line up time and judging at 6 p.m. Deadline for entry is Friday, Nov. 29. All parade entries need to be lined up by 6 p.m. so that the floats can be judged. Parade line up will be on East Church Street past the Southern Pacific Railroad tracks. Parade will move on to Beaks St. then proceed West on Main before turning north on McCarty. For entry forms or more information, contact John Brasher at 234-5591 or Lynda Appelt at 234-5878.

Bake Sale set Wednesday

Alpha Delta Phi members will have a bake sale Wednesday, Nov. 27. They will be selling their homemade cakes and pies in front of The Grill in Eagle Lake starting at 8 a.m. Be sure to pick up some good things to eat for the holiday weekend.

Deadline extended... \$10,000 Reward

The deadline has been extended to March 15, 1992, for the \$10,000 reward offered by A&K Railroad Materials. The reward is being offered for information leading to the arrest and conviction of the individual or individuals responsible for the arson-caused fire at A&K's Yard near Eagle Lake, Texas, on or about September 3, 1991. This offer of reward will be paid by A&K on conviction of the criminal or criminals.

If you have any information regarding the above, contact the Eagle Lake Police Department at 409-234-2727 or Crimestoppers at 409-234-5555.

Eagle Lake kicks off recycling program Saturday

Eagle Lake Mayor Roy D. Van Nort encourages everyone to help kick off the city's new drop-off recycling program from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. this Saturday, Nov. 23, at the city's new Recycling Center at 734 Main near D&S Grocery.

Initially the city will accept four categories of recyclables: clear glass, colored glass, aluminum cans, and tin cans. Because of uncertain markets, newspapers and plastic will not be accepted for recycling right now.

On Saturday, the first 100 people who bring in cans and glass to the center will receive free gifts.

Preparing acceptable materials for recycling is simple. Jars and bottles should be rinsed and the caps removed. Paper labels can be left attached. Cans should be rinsed, aluminum cans should be flattened. Use a separate grocery bag for each kind of recyclable: one for clear glass, one for colored glass, one for tin cans and one for aluminum cans.

Because Tricil Environmental Response Inc., owner and operator of the Colorado County Landfill, is providing the collection container free and is absorbing the cost of transporting the materials to Houston, the sale of the recyclables will provide a clear profit to the Eagle Lake Chamber of Commerce who is sponsoring the project.

Colorado County Sheriff's Deputy discovers murder victim at Columbus motel

On Nov. 13 at 4:35 p.m. Deputy Eddie Aray was dispatched to the Columbus Motel where he found Dennis Epps who reported that at noon he rang the bell and knocked on the manager's door but got no response. He came back at 4:20 and there was still no response. He noticed the door from the office to the residence area ajar and notified the sheriff's office. Deputy Aray noted the door and searched the residence where he found the victim lying face down, motionless and not breathing in the kitchen. Aray called for an ambulance. Sheriff Esterling and Lt. Wied secured the scene. An autopsy revealed the victim, Rajikant Shankar Patel, age 51, had been bludgeoned to death; investigation continues.

Deputy Busby was dispatched to Specialty Sand in Eagle Lake, Nov. 9 in answer to a report of burglary. A window was broken and unlocked. Office equipment and computers were missing. There were no fingerprints but a blood spot was found at the scene. There are no suspects at this time.

On Nov. 12, Leah Ross reported a robbery at Sandy Creek Drive Inn at Sheridan. She told Officer Richard Frederick that two black males entered the store, asked about a particular wine, and while she checked on it, took a box containing raffle tickets, and over \$400 in cash from under the counter. The suspects were described as both over 6 feet tall and about 150 lbs. driving a burnt and foreign car.

On Nov. 15 at 12:40 a.m., Deputy Peters stopped a vehicle for speeding on US Hwy 71 E at Koehl Road. While talking to the driver, Peters observed a plastic bag when the passenger, Ms. Teresa Hudson opened the glove compartment. After questioning, Ms. Hudson admitted to having marijuana in the bag as well as in her purse. Peters searched the purse and found marijuana and a loaded pistol. Hudson was arrested and placed in jail.

On Saturday, Nov. 16, at approximately 2:20 p.m., Sheriff's Deputy Kelly Biggs was dispatched to a fight in process at the Gemini Club in Garwood. He found a Hispanic male later identified as Cruz Gonzalez. Gonzalez said he was the stabbing victim and pointed out three Hispanic males whom he accused of stabbing him: Guadalupe Rodriguez, Robert Rodriguez and Marco Aquilera. Deputy Peters arrived to assist.

While the suspects were on the

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Eagle Lake Police Department Weekly Report

November 12-19, 1991

At approximately 5:30 p.m. on Nov. 12th, Becky Gonzales, manager of Bill's Dollar Store, reported they had two juvenile shoplifters in the store. Upon arrival, Ms. Gonzales advised Officer Keith Matura that she did not wish to file on the subjects. The subjects were transported to their residence and released to their mother.

A report of an assault which allegedly occurred at Stephenson's Cafe about 10:30 p.m. Nov. 12th, was investigated. Complaint was advised to see the judge the next morning if he wanted to file on the suspect.

On the 13th at 2:11 p.m., the police department received a report of an accident at the intersection of Hwy. 90A and FM 3013. Margaret Badger Blackett, of East Bernard, driving a 1988 Nissan 3-door, was westbound on 90A, when a 1985 GMC pickup, driven by Elodia Moreno Atkins of Lissie, was northbound on FM 3013. After stopping at the intersection, Atkins entered the intersection, striking the left rear fender of the Blackett vehicle. Atkins was cited for failure to yield right-of-way. Both vehicles sustained only minor damage and there were no injuries.

On the 15th at 1:32 a.m., Officers Jeff Argo and Keith Matura made a traffic stop on a Dodge van at third and "B" streets. The driver, Curtis W. Stack, exited the vehicle, and upon request, gave Argo verbal consent to search the van, admitting he had a gun in open view in the front of the van. The passenger, a black male, was requested to step to the rear of the vehicle with the driver. Upon locating the pistol, Stack was advised he was under arrest. At this time, the black male, later identified as James Thomas, left the scene with Officer Matura in pursuit, both on foot. A description of Thomas was given to and broadcast by the Sheriff's Office. Stack was processed and transported to the county jail for confinement and to be filed on for unlawfully carrying a weapon.

At approximately 7:10 the next morning, Deputy Peters located a subject fitting the description of Thomas hitchhiking on I-10. The suspect was identified as Thomas, arrested, processed and confined for booking.

On Friday, Nov. 15th, at 12:18 p.m., a complaint advised the police department of the theft of two United States Flags within the past two weeks, one occurring the past night, from a residence on Mills Street.

On Friday, at approximately 7:45 p.m., Officer Matura was dispatched to a car fire at Kevin Courts. Upon arrival the Eagle Lake Fire Department was attempting to put the fire out. The owner, Evelyn Johnson, of Waverly Street, advised that as she drove up to Kevin Courts she smelled smoke and went in to call the fire department. When she came back outside, the car was completely engulfed in flames. Luckily, neither she nor the children were injured, but the car was a total loss. Jessie Jackson also sustained some damage to his car which was parked next to Johnson's.

Officer Argo arrested Jeff C. Davis on Saturday morning at 4:03 a.m. for unlawfully carrying a weapon. Davis was stopped for running a stop sign at FM 102 and Main Street. While Davis was getting his proof of insurance out of his glove box, Argo observed a pistol in it. Davis was arrested and transported to the county jail to see the judge. Deputy Kelly Biggs assisted in the arrest.

Officer Eric Hart received a report of criminal mischief on Willis Street where a window pane was broken out of the house. No projectile or other evidence was found at the scene; investigation continues.

Sgt. Earl Jones was dispatched to Gonzales Street in reference to a burglary of a motor vehicle. Upon investigation, it was learned an AM-FMCD player had been taken from a pickup. Complainant advised the vehicle had been locked but there was no sign of

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Proctor named 'Administrator of the Year'

Gerry Proctor, administrator of Heritage House Nursing Home, Eagle Lake, was presented the award of Administrator of the Year for the Gulf Coast Region during the ARA Living Centers Awards Ceremony held on Nov. 12, 1991. This region included the areas of Corpus Christi, Port Lavaca, Victoria, Ceres, Bay City, Wharton, Eagle Lake, Clute, Abilene, Austin City, Rosenberg-Richmond and Pasadena. Mrs. Proctor has been the administrator of Heritage House for approximately 1-1/2 years.

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