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WCJC Foundation, a worthy recipient

By Jeannine Fearing

I was honored to be included in the quarterly meeting last week of the Wharton County Junior College Foundation at the Prairie Edge Museum.

Invited by Bill Harrison Sr., immediate past president of the foundation and well-known Eagle Lake resident, I was introduced to directors and their spouses who had traveled from as far away as Bay City for this meeting and social hour.

The foundation, established in 1954, promotes and encourages donations to the college and is comprised of a group of area-wide professional and business community leaders who provide assistance and encouragement to the administration.

Heading the board is President

Irving Moore along with Vice President Dee McElroy and Secretary/Treasurer Lucy LaDine, all from Wharton. This state of officers was re-elected Feb. 17th by acclamation.

Meeting on a quarterly basis, the foundation board's main objective is the fund-raising campaign which has been launched to build the Julius Thomas & Lucy Macha LaDine Technology Center at WCJC. This center will replace the oldest classroom structures, former WWII wood frame, stucco buildings which have been used since the college opened in 1946.

The lead donation for this complex was contributed by Julius and Lucy LaDine. A quote from Mrs. LaDine used in a beautiful brochure produced about the center states, "If it had not been for Wharton County Junior Col-

lege, I would never have acquired an education. Julius and I wanted to help the college that has helped us and to help those who make a living with their hands. This is a big project and we need your help."

\$1.5 million in private funds remains to be raised from businesses, industry, foundations, friends and alumni to build the center. There will be no state support used.

The complex will include space for agriculture, automotive technology, adult learning, senior citizens and cosmetology. WCJC's Automotive Technology Center now operates out of an aging garage located off campus. The department critically needs the new 8,908-square-foot, state-of-the-art facility to support important training while the Agriculture Center will provide space for 90 major each semester.

Assisting adults of the community with improving their lives by completing their GED certificate, the proposed 6,483-square-foot Adult Learning Center will perform a mission just as vital as the Senior Citizens Center. This proposed 4,792-square-foot wing will feature noon meals and a meeting room for programs and other senior citizen activities.

The 5,811 square foot of space provided for the new Cosmetology Center will continue WCJC's classes which are known for their low cost, small size, practical work experience and individual instruction. This one-year program prepares the student to pass the State Board Examination.

Since my own children will more than likely attend WCJC, I urge anyone who is able to make a donation to contact a member of the foundation: Chuck Schwarzkopf, College Advancement Director; or WCJC President Elbert Hutchins. Local foundation board members include Bill Harrison Sr. and Don Bendy from Eagle Lake, Anthony Kallina from Altair, Chris Stein from Columbus and Bill Hlavinka from East Bernard. I'm sure any of these members would be glad to talk to you about the new center and WCJC in general.

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State Capitol Highlights

By Lyndell Williams
Texas Press Association

The partisan politics of redistricting still twirled like a dying rattlesnake last week, fangs intact, in the sacred courtroom of the U. S. Supreme Court.

Justices twice refused to halt the March 10 primary for the Texas Senate, rejecting requests first from Attorney General Dan Morales and later by Texas Democratic Party Chairman Bob Slagle.

Texas Democrats are furious with a federal judge's new map for state senate districts which some have predicted will undo the senate's Democratic majority.

Morales, a Democrat, has spent a month investigating whether there was improper contact between Republican Judge James Nowlin and Rep. George Pierce, R-San Antonio. Last week, Morales submitted a letter to the special federal panel looking at the affair, in which he also revealed he had information that Democratic legislators also had "unexplained contact" with Judge Nowlin.

Cover-Up Alleged
The disclosure left Morales open to a counter strike from Texas Republican Party Chairman Fred Meyer, who accused Morales of covering up wrongdoing by Democrats at the same time "hypocritically and dishonestly" alleging the same offense by Republicans.

Morales said only dozen legislators from both parties were potentially involved. Earlier, Meyer had trained his guns on Comptroller John Sharp, criticizing his handling of the new Texas lottery. Sharp's retort: "My daddy told me never to get in an argument with a man who wears a size one hat."

Outside Lawyers Rapped
On another issue, Morales' agency scrutinized contracts between state agencies and private law firms and so far has approved more than 200. But Morales said last week state officials should be careful when they hire outside lawyers who also double as Capitol lobbyists.

State law says agencies can't pay salaries to employees for lobbying the Legislature, say for increasing the

Morales gets no satisfaction from Supreme Court on redistricting

agency's budget. Morales wants the state to stop entirely from hiring private lawyers. He said undoubtedly some of them end up doing tasks that lobbyists would do for the agencies, even if they're not called lobbyists while doing it.

Safety Discounts Due
Insurers are refunding \$10.5 million to about 50,000 Texans for failing to give them discounts for having air bags and automatic seat belts in their cars. Georgia Flint, the state's interim insurance commissioner, said last week.

Flint said she expects that at least \$1 million more will be refunded once the Department of Insurance receives additional information from insurers. About \$8.5 million was refunded last fall by State Farm Insurance. Another \$1 million is coming from Aetna, state officials said. In all, 22 companies are making refunds.

Other Highlights
• The Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission is investigating whether a top administrator, Leonard Lorenzo, illegally profited from his job by collecting rent from two bars he regulated and commandeering confiscated liquor. Lorenzo denied wrongdoing and is suing the agency.

• Texas Guaranteed Student Loan Corporation directors reportedly agreed to pay an extra year's salary, \$105,000 to a top administrator who resigned under fire to go for a Ph.D. Comptroller John Sharp confirmed there was an extra salary benefit approved for Joe McCormick, which he opposed.

Let's Look Back...
24 & 48 YEARS AGO

May 4, 1967
Sixty-one seniors are candidates for graduation from Eagle Lake High School. This is by far the largest class to graduate from ELHS and the size is due to the fact that this is the first class to graduate under the totally integrated school program... Valencio-

rian for ELHS is Margaret Ann Sommer and class salutatorian is Robert Donald Frnka... Gene Brown has been elected president of the Eagle Lake Lions Club for 1967-68 beginning in July. He follows Billy Maness...

Mary Helen Davidson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J.K. Davidson, will represent the Eagle Lake Chamber of Commerce as a Magnolia Belle in Columbus... Mr. and Mrs. Elmo Sens spent the weekend in San Antonio with the family of their daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Allen...

One hundred and ten ladies enjoyed the Eagle Lake Study Club annual president's luncheon in the Skull Creek Restaurant, April 21st... John Reed has been appointed to the city planning committee by Mayor Robert C. Vonderau to be the unexpired term of Chester Frances who resigned when he was elected to the city council...

Pam Torrance, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Torrance, was named outstanding girl athlete and Tommy Holt, son of Mr. and Mrs. T.C. Holt, was outstanding boy athlete at Sheridan High School for 1966-67...

Miss Elizabeth Burke, an Eagle Lake High School freshman, won first place in the Fort Worth Press annual statewide soil conservation essay contest...

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Rotarians to flip pancakes Tuesday

The Eagle Lake Rotary Club is extending an invitation to the community to come enjoy delicious hot cakes and trimmings, fellowship and entertainment, Tuesday, March 3.

The club's annual benefit pancake supper will be held in the Eagle Lake Community Center on Shrove Tuesday, before the Lenten season begins. Serving will be from 5 to 7 p.m.

Tickets are \$3 a plate. You may dine in or take out plates will be available in a fast, curb service line in the pavilion area. Entertainment will be offered in the hall during the serving hours.

Proceeds from the benefit supper will go to the club's scholarship fund to send two Rice High School graduates to Wharton County Junior College for two years.

Ernie Rodgers, chairman of the event, and Greg Fair, president, as well as all the Rotarians look for everyone to be on hand to support this worthy project.

Tickets are on sale from all Rotarians or may be purchased at the door, Tuesday evening.

World Day of Prayer is March 6

in the creation of our planet.

These European sisters issue an urgent call to women and men in every part of the globe to make necessary changes in their lives to restore and heal the resources of this planet.

Each year over 6,000 U.S. communities receive the worship service resource materials to use in the observance. Translated into hundreds of languages and dialects each year, the World Day of Prayer service is one of the most widely distributed pieces of literature in the world.

Learn to raise rabbits

Anyone interested in learning to raise rabbits can find out about it at a meeting, Feb. 29, at 508 N. Walnut in Eagle Lake. Robin Shavers and Kerri McGaughey will be offering instruction in the skills of rabbit raising.

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Eagle Lake Community Hospital patient list

Week of Feb. 17, 1992

Admissions

Eagle Lake: Lorena Priemeyer, Mary Sellers; Wallis: Vicki Salazar and baby boy; Rosenberg: Hernandez Sabina; Garwood: Dancy Freeman.

Dismissals

Eagle Lake: Geneva Brown, Barbara Parker and baby girl, Mark Henske, Angelica Rodriguez, William Kell Sr., Donovan King, Annie Richter, Roy Munoz, Clement Richter, Amada Rodywood; Columbus: Carroll Marshall, Johnnie Marshall;

• Disability rights groups are recommending that Travis State School in Austin and Fort Worth State School be the first of 13 state institutions for mentally retarded people to be closed or consolidated.

• Five bidders have applied to replace John Pittman, Texas' first lottery consultant, who resigned three weeks ago amid allegations of a potential conflict of interest.

24 & 48

May 11, 1967
A fire did considerable damage to the Egypt Rice Dryer last Friday night. W.J. (Ted) Brunner, manager, said the dust hopper was burned...

Isabel Janish, daughter of Mrs. Jim Janish of Nada, is valedictorian and Carl Melvin Rees, son of Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Reed of Garwood, is salutatorian of Garwood High School... Airman James Smith of Eagle Lake has been promoted to airman first class and is now in the Philippines after a tour of duty in Viet Nam...

Miss Judith Sartwell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James D. Sartwell of Houston, became the bride of Frederick Lee Kracke, son of Rev. & Mrs. Irvin F.A. Kracke of Eagle Lake, Saturday, May 6th, at Trinity Episcopal Church in Houston...

Promotions in the Shreiner Institute Cadet Corps include Staff Sergeant Terry Michael Causey and Corporal Gary Paul Waddell... The junior high band and their director, Floyd Spennath, are to be commended for the first division rating they earned at Brenham. Other firsts were Ann Sunderman, twirling; Betty Broesche, Diana Kucherka, Candy Farris, John Moore and Vernon Watkins on instrument solos; in ensembles, Floyd Gutierrez, David Marshall and Brock Ashley; Jeff Frnka, Mike Grigar, Mark Burke and Mike Ware; Susan Phillips and Billie McGehee. Firsts in group play went to

John Howard Reed, Annette Johnson and Jane Lu Alley... Patsy Peek and Arthur Schmitt Jr. have become engaged.

June 11, 1943
The first local boy to arrive home from the battle front marked by the wounds and scars of the treacherous Japs was Carl Gordy, son of Mr. and Mrs. W.G. Gordy. He is a First Class Gun Pointer and handles a machine gun in the Air Corps Squadron...

Capt. & Mrs. Mont G. Calvert of Fort Bliss, at El Paso, arrived Monday night for a brief visit with his mother, Mrs. M.G. Calvert... Pvt. Walter Taylor came in from Del Rio Sunday night and left Tuesday to resume his military duties...

F.M. Waligura, A.R. M. 3-c writes that he has received a promotion to a Petty Officer rating of Aviation Radioman Third Class... Ray Zahradnick writes from Fort Sam Houston that everything and everyone he has met in the reception center is just simply tops...

Pvt. Robert C. Morgan writes from North Africa that he is feeling fine... Lt. Joseph H. Lichnovsky arrived Saturday from Ft. Bliss on a brief furlough... The latest news received from Second Lt. J.K. Davidson is that he is somewhere in Africa...

Harrison Walker writes from New Caledonia that he is happy as a lark over there... W.M. Thomas, So.

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June 18, 1943
David Zahradnick writes home that he likes the Navy fine... Capt. Sandy B. Bahr received his advance in rating on May 6...

Mrs. Fred G. Frnka received a letter from her brother, Sgt. Richard Krenke, from somewhere in North Africa... Felton Alley, located at Fort Sam Houston, sent his mother a voice recording... After a few days spent in the home of Mr. & Mrs. H. Lee Johnson, Lt. S.J. Mobley returned to New Orleans...

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