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To THE EDITOR & You Ambulance corps volunteer responds

Dear 2%; Recently the Eagle Lake Chamber of Commerce did a survey on the different services in Eagle Lake. As a member of the Volunteer Ambulance Corps, I would like to respond to this survey: 48% stated that our service was good; 48% fair; and 2% said the service was poor. I have no idea what questions were asked in this survey! But I would like to enlighten these people of a few facts! First of all, we are all volunteers. Secondly, we are not required to provide you with this service. We all have families that at one time or another we must leave to give you our services. We are awakened at all times of the night, sometimes not having many hours of sleep, to do a day's work in the public. Yet, year after year, day after day, we find it in our hearts to keep going and providing you with our free time. I as a corps member feel greatly rewarded being able to help my neighbors, meaning the people of Eagle Lake, in a time of need. I would like to thank the Eagle Lake Fire Dept. and the officers of the police department who have so many times given us a hand. Also, as for the 98% of the people who responded positively to this survey, thank you for your support to us as a corps. As for the 2% who are unsatisfied and think our service is poor, why don't you put your 2% where it counts? Get off your duff and do something about it. We have pleaded for help to deafened ears for years. If you are not happy with us now, where will you be if there comes a time when we no longer have an ambulance service in this area? Concerned corps member, Dorothy Flores

Lawmakers tackle budget, income tax ban, insurance compromise

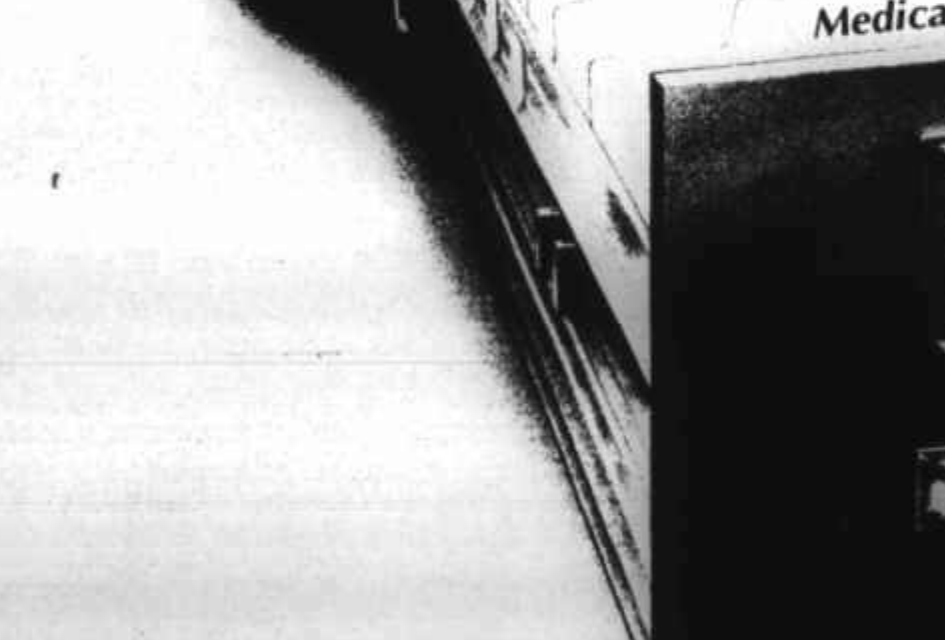
State Capitol Highlights By Lyndell Williams Texas Press Association A conference committee of five House members and five senators started last week trying to bridge a \$2.2 billion gap between their chambers' proposed budgets for 1994-95 biennium. The House has proposed a \$67.4 billion budget while the Senate has proposed a \$69 billion budget for the two year period that begins Sept. 1. The biggest difference is social services: the House would cut funding for Aid to Families with Dependent Children, battered women's shelters and other programs. Sen. John Montford, D-Lubbock, chairman of the Senate Finance committee and co-chairman of the conference committee, predicted it would take two to three weeks to reach a compromise. Veto Yow Kills Gun Bill In the wake of a promise by Gov. Ann Richards to veto the concealed handgun bill, the Senate decided not to consider the measure. After the Senate met in a 30 minute, private caucus, Lt. Gov. Bob Bullock said, "I asked senators as a personal favor to me not to take up the handgun bill for the simple reason that the governor is going to veto it." As passed in the House, the bill would only become law if it won the majority of Texans' votes in a Nov. referendum, but some elected officials said the referendum vote would have been unconstitutional. "Our major issue here in Austin is schools. It is the state budget. Considering this bill would be a waste of our time," Bullock said.



Chamber wants suggestions for improving Eagle Lake To the citizens of Eagle Lake: The City of Eagle Lake and the Eagle Lake Chamber of Commerce are jointly seeking suggestions for improving our community. To do this, we need your comments regarding the current areas that need to be improved, as well as problems that exist within our community. As a convenient way to obtain the comments of our citizens, we have prepared a survey which can be completed in a few minutes. The survey forms are available at the Chamber of Commerce office located in the Prairie Edge Museum, 408 E. Main St. Office hours are 8 a.m. to Noon, Monday through Friday. The telephone number is 234-2780. Please pick up your survey by May 14 and return it by May 21. Thank you for your assistance in making this survey available to our citizens. Sincerely, Pat Mascheck, Chamber President; Don Bandy, Mayor; Ron Holland, City

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Bike-a-thon workers, riders, donors appreciated To the Editor: We recently had a very successful Bike-a-thon benefiting the children of St. Jude's Cancer Research Hospital. This success is due to the kindness of the workers, riders and donors, their willingness to donate time and lots of hard work. We, in this community, are very fortunate not to have been stricken by cancer in our children. If we continue to support St. Jude's Hospital, maybe researchers will find a way to totally stop this disease. Thank you workers, riders and donors. Special thanks go to Randy Waligura of Texas Seed, Wal-Mart of El Campo, TNT Western Wear of El Campo, Alpha Sigma Omicron of Garwood and Lawrence and Catherine Berger of Garwood for the use of property and their donations of time, prizes and refreshments. I hope to see all riders again next year. Sincerely, Cynthia Boenisch, Bike-a-thon Coordinator



Let's Look Back... 24 & 48 YEARS AGO September 12, 1968 Rice School district trustees set the budget at \$1,167,426 for the 1968-69 school year. The budget figures were prepared by Supt. Eddie Krivacka... New student subscribers to the Headlight are Jerry Reeves in Fort Worth, Victor Wilson in Woodland Hills, Calif., Frances Hengst in Austin, Vance Duncan in San Antonio, Gene Guyson in San Marcos, Rozz Burke at Cornell in Ithaca, N.Y., and Elizabeth Burke in Austin... H.L. Parker retired from National Life and Accident Ins. after some 18 years of representing the firm in the Eagle Lake area. J.H. McClain will replace Parker as insurance representative here. He and his wife and three children have bought the former Darby residence on Lake Street... Mrs. Frank Pidgeon underwent surgery in Houston last Thursday. Her many friends wish her a speedy recovery... Jay Anderson of Eagle Lake has been appointed to the platform committee for the GOP State Convention in Fort Worth... Eagle Lake is saddened by the loss of beloved citizen and police chief John Elton "Buster" Semora. He died suddenly of a heart attack Saturday night... Louis Schorlemmer was appointed to head the Eagle Lake Consolidated Fund drive to be held in October, by Pres. Franklin F. Reese... Miss Linda Dianne Sherrer and Thomas Dale Smith were united in marriage Aug. 3 at Colly Memorial Methodist Church. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank F. Sherrer and the groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas J. Smith... Miss Karen Jane Simonson of Austin and John William Waddell of Eagle Lake were wed in Austin Aug. 31. The bride is the daughter of Dr. and Mrs. S.H. Simonson and the groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Waddell of Eagle Lake... The Garwood WSCS heard a program (See 24 & 48, Page 7)

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Pharmacy & Your Health EAGLE LAKE DRUGSTORE Steve K. Balas, RPh 702 South McCarty • Eagle Lake • 234-2502 •Patient Counseling • We Accept Master Card, VISA, Discover & American Express •Insurance Plans: Blue Cross, NPA, PCS, Pro-Serve, Sanus, PAID, Texas Medicaid 24 Hour Emergency Phone: 234-3834 Tactic: New Medicine for Alzheimer's Recently the Peripheral and Central Nervous System Drugs Advisory Committee of the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) unanimously recommended approval of tacrine (Cognex by Warner Lambert). The recommendation was made for the treatment of symptoms of mild to moderate Alzheimer's disease, the most common form of dementia. Alzheimer's disease is a neurological condition which affects about four million Americans, or one out of ten persons over the age of 65. Some of the more complex abilities associated with thinking and remembering, such as language and perception, are lost. Researchers are focusing their efforts on neurotransmitter substances in the brain and enzyme inhibitors that affect memory and cognitive ability. One transmitter material is called acetylcholine. Some research has been directed at evaluating the value of administering substances, such as lecithin, that increase levels of acetylcholine in the brain. During the last few years researchers have discovered that other substances such as tacrine inhibit an enzyme that destroys acetylcholine. The presence of acetylcholine is thought to help Alzheimer's patients. In one recent study, over half of the patients who received 80 mg of tacrine a day for 12 weeks showed improvements in cognitive assessment scale ratings.

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Eagle Lake's new royalty Representing the City of Eagle Lake for the coming year are the newly crowned Little Mr. Eagle Lake Kory Janow, Miss Eagle Lake Kristi Gertson and Little Miss Eagle Lake Jenna Cook. They will ride the Chamber float and perform other duties to promote our community. Photo Courtesy of Gail Gertson

Rice Baccalaureate set for May 23 at St. Mary's

A Baccalaureate Service at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Nada will honor Rice High School graduating seniors Sunday, May 23. The worship service will be sponsored by churches in the Rice Consolidated Independent School District. All graduates are invited and urged to be in attendance. They should be at St. Mary's School library by 6:30 p.m. in their caps and gowns to join the procession. The actual service begins at 7 p.m. in the church sanctuary. Parents, faculty and staff of Rice High School, other school officials and friends and relatives are cordially invited to attend the service. The worship will be led by area ministers and community leaders. Rev. Larry Bailey, pastor of the United Methodist Churches in Garwood and Eagle Lake, will be the speaker. All those currently active in their church's music ministry are invited to participate in the choir. Rehearsal will be held at 5 p.m. in the church prior to the evening service. The community is encouraged to bless the graduates with your presence Sunday evening, May 23. For questions concerning the service contact the office of Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic Church at 234-2841 or the First Baptist Church at 234-2571.

Agri-business tour set May 12

"Steps to an Agri-Business" seminar and Spring project tour are set for May 12-14 in El Campo. The event is sponsored by Coastal Plains Agri-Business Incubator System. The three-day seminar costs \$60 or \$25 a day, including transportation, refreshments, resource materials and more meals. The program is to educate individuals interested in starting or expanding an agriculture related business in this area. Wednesday and Thursday mornings will be seminars on the business in Texas, the incubator concept, selling your product and financing. Both afternoons and Friday morning will be spent touring various projects of the Coastal Plains system. These include a vineyard, dwarf apple orchard, fig-blackberry farm, kiwi farm, organic rice, catfish farm, alligator farm, custom cattle fitting operation, ostrich farm and cotton warehouse. James Harbich of Alleton will be a speaker and his tropical bird operation will be on the tour. For additional information about the three-day event call Peggy Braden, county extension agent at 409-732-2530.

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only senator to vote against the proposal, warned that Bullock's plan would open the gate for a personal income tax by dangling the prospect of property tax relief before the voters. Sen. Jane Nelson, R-Flower Mound, abstained from voting on the Bullock proposal. She said she didn't vote against the income tax restriction but opposed it because it "potentially sets up a scenario in which an income tax can be sold, not banned." Sen. Peggy Rosson, D-El Paso, was absent. Laney Eyes Second Term With about five weeks left in his first legislative session as presiding officer of the Texas house, Speaker Pete Laney, D-Hale Center, appears to have a second term cinched. Speaker pro tem Tom Uher, D-Bay City, says he has collected "80 or 90 signatures" on pledge cards to reelect Laney in 1995. To win the speakership, a House member needs 76 votes in the 150-member chamber. Laney who was elected in January on a reform platform, discouraged the effort to collect pledge cards on his behalf. But Uher said he only began collecting the cards "after members were coming up saying, 'Where can I sign a pledge card for Pete?'" Insurance Reform The House has approved a health insurance reform bill that supporters say will make insurance more affordable and accessible to small businesses. "People in this state will never lose their insurance again when they're sick," said Rep. Mike Martin, D-Galveston, after his bill won a 126-13 vote of approval. If approved by the Senate, small businesses—those with three to 50 employees—would be able to choose from five types of health plans, with varying levels of benefits and costs. Employers would also be able to form purchasing cooperatives or join a state cooperative to negotiate lower rates. Other provisions would: •Prevent insurers from cancelling

COLORADO COUNTY COURTHOUSE REPORT

DEEDS Deed: Laura Henzke to Jerry Lee Henneke et al, 25.295 out of the Howard McElroy League, Abstract No. 32, filed 3-15-93. Deed: Joseph A. Schoellmann to James Charles Schoellmann et ux, 33 acres und. int. in the I&G RR Company Survey Nos. 16 and 25, Abstracts No. 327 and 278; 3-15-93. Deed: Joseph A. Schoellmann to Mary Ann Rodriguez, int. in oil, gas and other minerals as to certain 213 acres in the I&G RR Company Survey Nos. 16 and 25, Abstracts Nos. 327 and 278; 3-15-93. Deed: Joe L. Bottino to Jose Belmares et ux, Lots 9 and 10, Block 6, Simmons Addition to the City of Eagle Lake; 3-15-93. Deed: Candice Wegenholt to Joe A. Dungen et al, part of the Elizabeth Tullison League, Abstract 44 and part of a tract of land containing 3.04 acres; 3-15-93. Gift Deed: Ben J. Hrachovy et ux to David J. Hrachovy et ux, 235.8560 acres out of the Wm. T. Dunlavy Survey, Abstract No. 183 in the Joseph Duty Survey, Abstract No. 20, in the Wm. T. Dunlavy Survey, Abstract No. 170, and the John M. Burton Survey, Abstract No. A-25, Fayette County, Texas; 3-15-93. Deed: Margie Lou Krause Garlin et ux to Leon Dittmar Jr. et ux, und. int. in 49.06 acres, a part of the John Allen Survey, Abstract No. 56 et al; 3-15-93. Deed: Melvin E. Sander and Irene E. Mieth to Louis Kunketa et ux, Lots 17, 18 and part of Lot 19, Block 9, City of Weimar; 3-16-93. Deed: Donald Schoenfeld to Richard J. Kershner et ux, 38.268 acres, a part of the James Alley Survey, Abstract No. 62; 3-16-93. Deed of Gift: Beatrice Moore to Preston David Moore et al, und. int. in 64 acre unit out of the J. Tullinson Survey, Abstract No. 46; 3-16-93. Deed of Gift: Beatrice Moore to Preston David Moore et al, royalty int. in a 64 acre unit out of the J. Tullinson Survey, Abstract No. 46; 3-16-93. Deed of Gift: Homer Meyer et ux to David B. Meyer et ux, et al, und. int. in 113.8277 acres out of the Benj. Thomas Survey, Abstract No. 549; 3-16-93. Deed of Gift: Quinton Kahlden et ux to Elizabeth Ann Hercheck, 3.00 acres of land located in the James Cummins League, Abstract No. 12; 3-17-93. Deed: Donald Daley to Jeffrey Christian Schroeder, Lot 15, Block 88, in the Town of Sheridan; 10 acres, being Tract No. 32 in the Southern H. Morey, Abstract No. 730; 3-17-93. OIL & GAS LEASES Julius S. Kurtz et ux to CICCO Oil & Gas Company, 12.8904 acres out of the James Cummins League, Abstract No. 12; filed 3-15-93. Geraldine Blaschke Kurtz et al to CICCO Oil & Gas Company, 35.4848 acres out of the James Cummins League, Abstract No. 12; filed 3-15-93. Those who dream by day are cognizant of many things which escape those who dream only by night. — Edgar Allan Poe

Jo Ann's Your Hallmark Dealer 121 E. Main Eagle Lake 234-2580 Congratulations the Rice High School Class of 1993

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