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Keeping an eye on Texas

Wealthiest vs. poorest school districts

The disparity in property wealth per pupil among the wealthiest and poorest school districts is at the heart of the Texas school finance debate.



Echándole el ojo a Texas

Districtos escolares: ricos contra pobres

La diferencia en las riquezas propietarias por alumno que existen en los distritos escolares más ricos y más pobres llega al corazón del debate sobre como financiar las escuelas públicas en Texas.



Rich and poor

With the state's school financing battle being in the news so much, the above chart will help readers understand the vast differences in property wealth per student across our state.

Values range from \$9,781,822 property wealth per student in the Alamo district in Hudspeth County to \$19,809 in the San Elizario district of El Paso County.

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Questions

daily dangerous methane gas situation is one more telling reason why Tricil should not be granted a permit to dispose of hazardous waste at its Colorado County landfill," concludes Hefner.

"We also have questions about why the public was not informed or warned about these high methane readings at Tricil's landfill," said Hefner. An April 29, 1993, article in the Eagle Lake Headlight reports that Tricil discovered methane in Sept. 1992. Yet Tricil was aware of explosive levels of methane detected at its landfill as early as Oct. 1991.

On Oct. 16, 1991, methane gas was detected at Tricil's landfill in readings as high as 23.3%, exceeding the explosive limit by over four times. The site development plan for Tricil's landfill specifies that the concentration of methane gas generated by Tricil's landfill shall not exceed the lower explosive limit of 5.00% at the property boundary."

On Sept. 17, 1992, soil gas monitoring at Tricil's landfill revealed explosive levels of methane in 11 of 19 samples taken near Cell 202, which is close to Highway 71 at the southeast edge of the landfill. A methane concentration of 11.7% was recorded on Sept. 30, 1992, approximately 30 feet east of the landfill site boundary near special waste area 1.

A methane gas concentration of nearly 12.0% was recorded on Oct. 6, 1992, over twice the lower explosive limit of 5.00%. "Despite the dangerous levels being known at Tricil, the public was apparently uninformed," says Hefner.

Collectively, these events illustrate just one more reason why ACE is so concerned about Tricil's desire to operate a hazardous waste disposal site in Colorado County, says Hefner.

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El Campo pilot killed in crash

Marion Sexton of El Campo was killed Wednesday, June 2, in a flying accident. The 40 year veteran pilot was killed in a crash when his crop duster hit two high tension power lines in Jackson County where he was working.

Sexton was applying fertilizer to a rice field about three miles from Gano. His plane apparently clipped two of the 14 high voltage lines that feed power from the South Texas Nuclear Project at Matagorda County to San Antonio. He was flying a 1977 Grumman Ag Cat.

Although no one saw the accident, two power lines' circuit switches were flipped at 4:55 p.m. Wednesday when power was interrupted on the lines Sexton hit.

His wife, Mary, said her husband was very active and healthy at age 70. He was an avid golfer and worked at the El Campo Country Club Pro Shop during the winter.

He had earned his wings in 1942 and flew 60 combat missions in Europe during World War II. In an interview with the El Campo Leader News

in 1986, he commented he had logged over 33,000 hours of flying time. Sexton was a crop duster with Arenosa Flying Service.

Funeral services for Sexton, age 70, were held Saturday, June 5, at St. Philip's Catholic Church in El Campo.

Governor signs farm loan program bill

The bill to establish the Young Farmer Loan Guarantee Program (YFLGP) was signed into law the end of May by Governor Ann Richards.

The new law will establish guaranteed loans for eligible applicants not to exceed \$50,000 or 90% of the total loan amount.

"It will provide young farmers with the funds they need to build a prosperous future and add to the economic base of Texas," the Governor said.

The program will be created in the State Treasury with funds currently collected and deposited in the Young Farmer Endowment Account in the General Revenue Fund.

Funding for the loans would come from a special \$5 agricultural motor vehicle fee established in 1991 and from federal, local and private sources. The legislation would also provide for refunding the \$5 fee by filing an application with the Comptroller's office.

Wildlife seminar scheduled in El Campo June 10th

The Texas Parks and Wildlife Dept. has planned a wildlife seminar tonight in El Campo. Beginning at 7:30 p.m. June 10, the seminar will be held in the Civic Center.

Information on the LAMMPS program will be presented. Also, a white tailed deer breeding chronology study, local deer census data and information on the Kerr Wildlife Management Area spike buck program will be discussed.

The seminar is free to all participants. A wildlife habitat field day is scheduled Saturday, June 12, at Lake



The mural on the side of TEB Foods is growing. Terri Hawkins is busy over the Memorial Day weekend painting the picture of an old fashioned food market on the west side of the building. Headlight Photo by Susie Jackson

Election

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about 25% of the registered voters participating June 5.

Colorado County results by precinct:

precinct	Krueger	Hutchison
1	108	208
2	20	53
3	13	5
4	27	73
5	25	42
6	9	42
7	16	52
8	12	35
9	120	221
10	10	93
11	8	13
12	7	20
13	15	130
14	16	35
15	14	48
16	12	10
17	94	244
18	41	122
Total	625	1656

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Crime Stoppers 'Crime of the Week'

Sometime between June 6 and June 7, unknown actors, using a pry tool, gained entry into a residence at 1010 Glen Lake Courts. Once inside, the subjects took jewelry valued at \$900.

Between June 11 and June 12, unknown actors gained entry into a residence at 400 Glen Flora Road where they took an electric heater, television and microwave oven.

If you saw any suspicious subjects in the area of these crimes or have any information regarding these cases or any case, please call Crime Stoppers at 234-5555 or the Police Department at 234-2727.

You will remain anonymous.

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Corn, sorghum on '93 crop tour

Grain producers, spouses and agribusiness representatives are invited to the 17th Annual Row Crop Tour Monday, June 28. The field tour will begin at 5 p.m. at the NADA Community Hall and travel by caravan to view corn and grain sorghum varietal demonstration tests planted in the Garwood-Nada area.

This year's tour stops include the Allen Shimek corn varietal test, Leonard Staff grain sorghum varietal test at Fritz Leopold soil insecticide test. Dr. Cloyce Coffman, extension agronomist in corn and sorghum, will present varietal and disease information at each stop.

Following the tour, a barbecue meal and refreshments will be served at the Nada Hall, compliments of agribusinesses.

The row crop tour is sponsored by the Colorado County Extension Row Crop Committee of the County Extension Service and area agribusinesses.

NEWSBRIEFS

ELCH needs your blood

The Eagle Lake Community Hospital is asking for blood donations from the area residents. This Friday, June 18, the hospital will sponsor a blood drive. Donors are asked to come to the conference room at ELCH from 2 to 6:30 p.m. to give their life-saving donations. Each person who gives blood will receive a t-shirt with the logo "Shades of Summer" on it. To schedule a time for your blood donation, call 234-5571 ext. 5255.

Garwood library has summer program

The Veterans Memorial Library in Garwood has a summer program every Tuesday in June. The four-five year olds meet from 1:30 to 2 p.m., kindergarten-second graders meet from 2:15 to 3 p.m., and third-fifth graders from 3 to 4 p.m. The reading contest will continue until Aug. 11. For details about the programs or the reading contest, contact Kathy Sienke at 409-758-3651.

Church Revival continues

The Church of God of Prophecy, 414 East Davitt in Eagle Lake, is holding a revival at the church beginning at 7:30 p.m. June 17 and 18. Guest speaker is Rev. Hugh H. McQuider of Angleton. Pastor Eola McTeer invites the community to attend.

Youth Fest basketball, concert Saturday

Sign-up deadline is June 18 for the two-on-two basketball tournament June 19 in conjunction with the Christian Youth Fest and Concert. Entry forms are available at all church offices or the Eagle Lake Headlight. Questions may be directed to 234-3288 or 234-5017. The event is Saturday at the United Methodist Church grounds.

St. Anthony School registers

Registration for St. Anthony School for the 1993-94 school year begins today through Saturday. Registration is scheduled June 17, 1-7 p.m., June 18, 9 a.m.-5 p.m. and June 19, 9 a.m.-2 p.m.

Goliad Longhorn Stampede is Saturday

The Longhorn Stampede is off and running for Goliad's annual event Saturday, June 19, around the historic Goliad Courthouse Square. The activities begin at 9 a.m. with live entertainment and ethnic foods all day as well as other sights and happenings. The day ends with a street dance from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. featuring Southern Drive.

Hamburger supper aids Garwood Library

There is to be a hamburger supper June 23 from 6 to 8:30 p.m. at the Garwood Fire Station to benefit the Garwood Veterans Memorial Library. Sweets, chips and tea will also be available along with plates to go. Tickets may be purchased at the door.

Rice FFA to meet

The Rice FFA will hold a meeting at the Rice show barn June 25 at 7 p.m. On the agenda are the upcoming state convention, commercial steer purchases for Houston, heifers added to local show, and changes in the ag program at Rice High School. All members, junior members and parents are requested to attend.

Family Life Center has graduation

The Family Life Training Center in Hungerford will host an open house and graduation on Saturday, June 26. Tours are at 1 p.m., graduation ceremony is 3 p.m. and a barbecue dinner begins at 6 p.m. For additional information contact the center at 409-532-5613.

First Aid class offered in Columbus

A class in American Red Cross standard first aid is offered Saturday, June 26, in Columbus at St. Paul Lutheran Church Hall, Hwy. 90 at Milentz. The class begins at 8 a.m. and is free, although donations are accepted. The class is presented by the Colorado County Ambulance Association. To reserve a place in the class call 409-263-5251.

Prepare for TAAS exit tests

Classes are offered to Rice High School 10th, 11th and 12th grade students who have not mastered all portions of the exit level TAAS tests for high school. The remediation classes begin Monday, June 28 and continue to the TAAS testing dates, July 13, 14 and 15. The classes will be at Eagle Lake Middle School from 8 a.m.-12 each day, two hours per remediation area at no charge to the participants. All eligible students will be mailed information concerning the classes and test dates.

CPR training set

The Colorado County Ambulance Association presents a class in CPR July 8 at 6 p.m. in Columbus. The American Heart Association Adult, Child or Infant CPR class will be at St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Hwy. 90 at Milentz. For reservations call 409-263-5251. Walk-ins are also welcome. There is no charge but donations are accepted.

Men's softball league to form

The Eagle Lake men's summer softball league is now signing up. The entry fee is \$150 a team and must be paid prior to the first game. All players must be at least 18 years old. Contact Wayne Bowen at Johnny's Sport Shop for information, 234-3516.

E.H. Henry School reunion set

The 1993 reunion for the E.H. Henry School will be held Saturday, July 17, at the Eagle Lake Community Center and the old E.H. Henry School building. Guest speaker is Linda Ford. All former classmates of the school are urged to attend. For more information contact Melvin Gordon, president, at 234-3024.

Bussing opponents hand School Board petitions with 470 signatures

By Lynda Appelt
Contributing Writer

The Rice Consolidated Independent School District board of trustees received three petitions from the Garwood, Sheridan and Eagle Lake communities at its Monday night meeting.

The petitions, containing 470 signatures of persons opposed to the grouping and shifting of students in certain grades to different campuses throughout the district, were presented to the board by Madison Smith of Garwood.

The petitions resulted from town meetings held recently in Garwood and Sheridan. Smith told the board, in comparison to votes received in the May school board election by re-elected board members Fritz Leopold and Jim Wiese, 447 and 519, respectively, these 470 signatures indicate that the people have a definite opinion on the subject.

Smith thanked the members for their attendance at the Garwood meeting.

"It is evident that the patrons of the Rice district want to be involved, want to be asked, and want to see that their voices are being heard," said Smith. The board offered no comment (See School board, Page 9)

Shooting ruled suicide

A woman was found shot to death Thursday, June 10, at 11:55 a.m. L.R.H. Wied and Deputy Peikert assisted Judge Frances Truchard in an inquest. The body of a 48 year old woman was found at her residence five miles west of Columbus.

The investigation indicated there were no signs of foul play nor reason to suspect any attack. Judge Truchard ruled the death as suicide by self-inflicted gunshot wound.

Tuesday, June 8, around 7 p.m. some teenagers were reported lost on the Colorado River while tubing.

Sgt. Bill Lattimore and Reserve Deputy Stavino coordinated a search with Game Wardens Perry and Fike from Beason's Crossing Park. The wardens searched the river in boats.

The teenagers were located unharmful. They said the trip had taken longer than expected and as night fell, they became disoriented in the dark.

At 1:58 a.m. Deputy Richard LaCourse investigated a case of harassment at a residence on Brushy Rd. At 5:46 a.m. Deputy LaCourse arrested a suspect for a DPS warrant on Hwy. 71 north of Hillcrest.

Wednesday, June 9, at 2 p.m. Deputy Craig Peikert investigated a disturbance on Reeves Bass Rd. Statements were taken and the case is open. (See Sheriff's report, Page 10)

County Commissioners appoint committee to gather citizen suggestions on jail problems

Special to The Headlight By Rhonda Lattimore, Banner Press Staff

County Commissioners appointed a committee to gather citizen suggestions on jail problems. The committee will be made up of representatives from the community.

Each commissioner was asked to refer two individuals to the committee. In addition, a city council member from each of the three cities in the county will serve on it. Each member will be asked to serve 30 to 90 days.

County Judge H.O. Butch Srunk said the committee will hold an organizational meeting soon and appoint a chairman. The group is to review the jail situation and make recommendations on the county's need for a new facility and a possible location; or sticking with the current one.

The Commissioners' Court will make available any information to aid the members which include Bobby Berger, Sandra Robinson, Molly

my colleagues to be present and help you solve your problems.

He also spoke to the Court concerning needs the Texas Jail Commission feels Colorado County has to fulfill. At its last inspection, May 24, Inspector Terry Julian's report stated the county was in non-compliance in

facilities has been depleted.

Jack Crump of the Texas Jail Commission was present at Monday morning's meeting. He voiced his approval of the citizens' input and said, "Colorado County needs to, with all possible haste, move toward looking at the need of an incarceration center. I will pledge myself or one of

Trucking ordinance discussed at length...

By Lynda Appelt
Contributing Writer

An ordinance of the City of Eagle Lake limiting the use of city streets by certain trucks brought some 40 persons involved in the trucking business to last week's City Council meeting.

A discussion of Ordinance 8302 adopted in 1983 and an amendment of that ordinance adopted in 1989 to allow the through truck traffic on certain designated streets comprised the major portion of the agenda.

The agenda item followed a recent complaint concerning one individual who was parking a loaded truck at his home overnight. Police Chief Lupe Villarreal delivered copies of the ordinance to everyone involved in the trucking business, reminding them of the prohibitions of the ordinance.

The ordinance prohibits loaded or partially loaded trucks to be driven on city streets except for pick-up and delivery or to and from commercial repair or service facilities except on the designated street areas for not more than the minimum distance necessary for the purpose. It allows for no truck parking on the streets and alleyways in the city limits.

The 1989 amendment allows for the through truck traffic on one block of East A Street from Hwy. 90-A Bypass to Third Street, the one block of Third Street from East A Street to Hwy. 90-A, and the one block of Johnson Street from the private drive of the Snack Center to Hwy. 90-A so

(See City Council, Page 5)

Eric Hart on June 12 at 7:45 a.m. Investigation showed entry was gained by breaking out a small glass pane and unlocking the door. Several large items were taken, including a heater, television, and microwave oven. The case is under investigation.

Officer Argo is investigating a report of criminal mischief on E. State St. A vehicle was driven over some shrubbery in a yard June 12.

A burglary of a residence on Glen Flora Road was reported to Officer

On June 8 at 4:50 p.m., Officer Jay Reeves was dispatched to a residence on Fairview in reference to a disturbance. After talking with the victim and suspect, to insure there would be no further harm, Christopher Lujan was arrested for family violence and assault. He was processed and transported to county jail for confinement.

June 9 at 8:21 p.m. Officer Reeves received a report of a burglary at a residence on Glen Lake Court. A pry tool had apparently been used to gain entrance into the home where several items of jewelry were taken. The case is under investigation.

Officer Jeff Argo received a report of unauthorized use of a motor vehicle

June 10 at 7 a.m. The vehicle had been taken between June 9 at 8:30 p.m. and June 10 at 7 a.m. The vehicle was entered into the computer as stolen.

June 11 at 11:30 p.m., the Colorado County Sheriff's office received a telephone from Travis County that the stolen vehicle had been recovered on Hwy. 71 outside the Austin city limits. The owner was informed that his vehicle had been found. The investigation continues.

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State Comptroller John Sharp sent a total of \$109.4 million in June sales tax rebates to 917 Texas cities and 108 counties, a 3.5% increase over their payments of one year ago. The City of Eagle Lake received its check in the amount of \$10,309.80, up 18.10% from the \$8,729.52 received in June 1992. This check brings the total sales tax rebates received in 1993 to \$70,527.85, up 14.10% over the amount rebated last year. Collections so far this year are down 5.30% from the first five months of 1992.

Texas cities received \$98.1 million in sales tax payments, up 3.4% from the \$94.9 million they received last June. Counties received \$11.2 million, a 4.9% increase over the June 1992 rebates of \$10.6 million.

"Sales tax rebates this month were a mixed bag," Sharp said. "While payments were up in many Texas cities and counties, other parts of the state continue to feel the 'drag' of a sluggish national economy."

The City of Houston received \$14.2 million, the largest city sales tax rebate for the month, virtually identical to its \$14.1 million payment in June 1992.

"The economic slide created by the energy crisis continues to affect Houston's economy. However, companies from various industries have

Former Raider is champion hurdler

Brian Amos, a 1990 graduate of Rice High School, was named the national champion hurdler recently. He came within .02 second of the all-time NCAA Division II best ever record which is held by former Olympic champion and world record holder Rodney Milburn.

Amos, a junior at Abilene Christian University, won his second straight NCAA division national outdoor championship in the 110 meter hurdles in Abilene the weekend of May 29. He is undefeated this season in high hurdles and currently is ranked second in the nation among all collegiate hurdlers.

He is also the 1993 Lone Star Conference 110 hurdle champion and winner of the 55 meter hurdles at the 1993 NCAA Div. II national indoor meet.

Amos has a 3.22 grade point average with a major in physical education. He has been named, along with

(See Amos, Page 7)

