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1992 Chevy Astro Extended Van Real clean and nice!	\$19,653	\$15,195 ⁰⁰
1992 Chevy Lumina Maroon, loaded!	\$17,014	\$11,495 ⁰⁰
1992 Oldsmobile 88 Royale Black sapphire, 17,621 miles!	\$20,776	\$15,995 ⁰⁰

USED CARS...

	NADA PRICE	Our Price
1991 Chevy 1/2-Ton Pickup Regular cab, white, clean!		\$10,995 ⁰⁰
1991 Olds Bravada White, low miles, leather seats!		Negotiable
1991 Chevy S-10 Blazer 4-Wheel drive!		\$14,500 ⁰⁰
1991 Chevy Cavalier RS 2 Door, Sleek car!	\$6,400	\$6,295 ⁰⁰
1991 Cadillac Sedan De Ville super clean!		\$14,495 ⁰⁰
1991 Dodge Dynasty LE 4-Door Extra clean!		\$9,795 ⁰⁰
1991 Chevy Caprice Classic Leather, loaded, Sleek!	\$12,495 ⁰⁰	\$11,995 ⁰⁰
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Sharp certifies funds available for \$71.2 billion state budget

The money is available to fund the new budget for Texas. State Comptroller John Sharp has certified that revenue will be available for the state's 1994-95 budget of \$71.2 billion. It is about \$650 million more than the official revenue estimate at the start of the legislative session.

Approximately \$39.4 billion of this amount is General Revenue.

Under the "pay as you go" provision in the Texas Constitution, Sharp is required to certify that sufficient revenue exists to cover state spending for the next two years. Only after the comptroller assures that the money will be available can the Governor sign the Appropriations Bill into effect for fiscal 1994-95.

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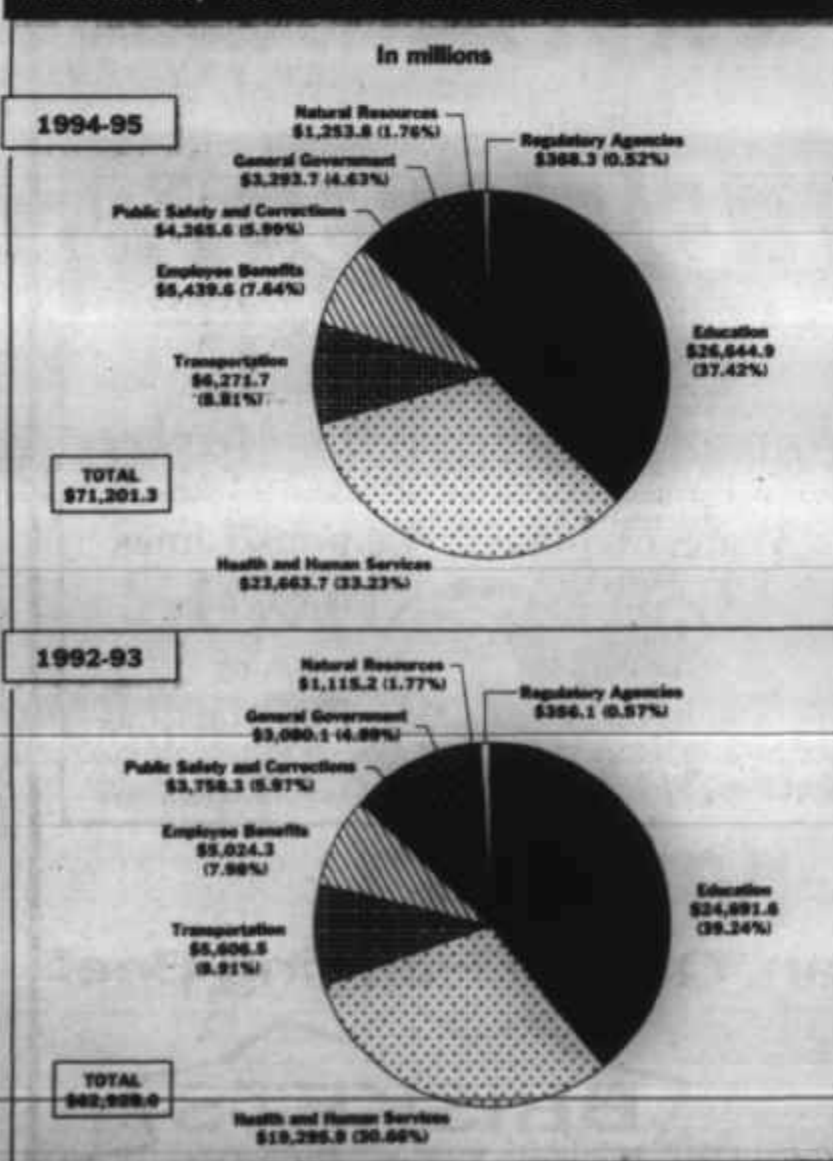
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All Funds, 1994-95 vs. 1992-93



Summer School Menu

RICE CISD
BR-breakfast; LR-lunchroom. Milk or juice is served with all meals.
Thurs., July 1: BR: pig-in-a-blanket; LR: link sausage, mustard, baked beans, chopped broccoli, apple, bread.
Fri., July 2: BR: combo bar, toast stick; LR: meat & cheese pizza, spaghetti & sauce, salad, pear half.

Council

has been a part of the truckers' request, just getting to their own properties while loaded.

Bundy thanked the group and said, "With the input provided and the information being gathered, at some point we will propose an ordinance and you will once again be here to say, 'that does or doesn't do the job.'"

"We're not doing anybody service

Breamon brings puppets to tell story

Elizabeth Breamon along with her puppet, Martha the Monkey, brought fun and excitement to the The Eula and David Wintermann Library Wednesday for the summer reading program story hour.

Her unique storytelling abilities held the children's attention for over an hour as they read books, went on a bear hunt, sang songs and recited verses.

The 68 children attending heard Mrs. Breamon's original version of Little Red Riding Hood.

Make a note of the following activities at the library during July:

The library will be closed Monday, July 5 for the Independence Day holiday.

The closing summer reading program is set for July 28.

A defensive driving course will be held July 13-14 from 6 to 10 p.m.

Four new directors on rice board

The Texas Rice Producers Board elected four directors through their biennial election. The four rice growers are Bill Dismann of Beaumont, representing District 1; J.D. Woods of Katy, representing Dist. 5; Jack Wendt of Richmond, Dist. 7; and Hal Koop of Edna, Dist. 12.

As an official board of the state of Texas elected by rice growers, the Texas Rice Board is authorized to administer the 8¢ per hundredweight checkoff for funding rice research and market development.

Did you know...

The last man to be drafted into the U.S. military entered service 20 years ago in June 1973. The Selective Service System is still charged with registering all young men once they turn 18 in case of a national emergency.

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by acting hastily if we don't have something good to act on," said councilman Mike Duarte.

Boy Scouts of Troop No. 334, along with Scoutmaster Verlin Argo and Assistant Scoutmaster Isidoro Ramirez, were present to accept recognition for adopting 0.7 mile of Prairie Street, from the Boy Scout hut to Farm-to-Market Road 3013.

Scouts present included Lupe Villarreal III, Jason Edwards, Erik Westmann, Brian Cardenas, John Rodriguez, Ben Gonzales, Gary Sosa, Glenn Dromgoole, Fulton Dromgoole III, Hector Tapia and Dale Obenhaus.

Ed Tate was present for the unveiling of the street sign officially changing the name of North Center to Tate Avenue.

The sale of the \$1,000,000 City of Eagle Lake Combination Tax and Revenue Certificates of Obligation for the purpose of mandated sewer plant improvements was awarded to Service Asset Management of Dallas at an effective interest rate of 5.75.

The First National Bank of Eagle Lake will serve as the paying agent registrar for this investment.

Phase I of the solid waste screening/feasibility study done by the Lower Colorado River Authority was reviewed. The consensus of the study was that the cheapest thing Eagle Lake can do in the area of solid waste is what is being done.

The consultant was authorized to implement Phase II of the study which

Garcia said he is willing to pay some portion and will inquire among others in the area of his property who might also desire to become a part of the City of Eagle Lake and its services.

In other business, the council:

• Learned that 9-1-1 services are scheduled to be implemented in Sept.;

• Discussed the problem of vehicles on city streets with excessively loud sound systems and directed Police Chief Lupe Villarreal to make an effort to eliminate such incidents. He was also urged to control speeders; and

• Heard a report of the problem of flooding and mosquitoes due to excessive rain in the past month.

Crime Stoppers 'Crime of the Week'

Sometime between June 23 at 6 p.m. and June 24 at 8 p.m., unknown subjects broke out a window in a car parked at 416 Church St. and stole a tool box and various tools, set of jumper cables, Kodak camera, jack and lug wrench.

If you saw any suspicious persons in the area of this crime or have any information regarding this case or any case, please call Crime Stoppers at 234-5555 or the Eagle Lake Police Department at 234-2727. You will remain anonymous.

Trial

the high grass on the south side of the bar.

Officers found Terry Causey lying in the grass on the back with a pool cue under his head. His chest was covered with blood and it appeared he had been beaten in the head area. EMS personnel confirmed Causey was also dead.

Norma Jean Henry was taken to Eagle Lake Community Hospital and later transferred to Galveston.

At that time, according to sources outside the Sheriff's Department, the motive for the killings was apparently robbery since a gold pocket watch and a pistol were missing.

Jones was arrested at his residence in Hallettsville two days after the crime by Lavaca County Sheriff's Department and Hallettsville Police. At the time of his arrest, he was on parole for a 1988 conviction for aggravated robbery in El Campo.

An anonymous tip pointed deputies in the right direction at the beginning of the investigation. Citizen cooperation assisted investigators in recovering a purse and pistol which had been taken at the time of the stabings.

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During the week of July 1-6, numerous businesses in Eagle Lake reported broken windows and door panes.

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

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Two new vehicles have been put into service by the Eagle Lake Police Department last week. Police Chief Lupe Villarreal and City Manager Ron Holland pose with the two newest cars on the force.

In the photo at right, Chief Villarreal puts the shield decal on the door of one of the Chevrolet Caprices.

Holland noted that the door decals were designed by the daughter of City Councilwoman Renee Cooper-Scott.

Headlight Photos by Susie Jackson

Police cars get finishing touches, on the streets

Two new vehicles have been put into service by the Eagle Lake Police Department.

Police Chief Lupe Villarreal was at the City Service Center Thursday afternoon, July 1, to put the finishing touches on the Chevrolet Caprices. He put shield decals, similar to those on the officers' shoulder patches, on the doors of both cars.

City Manager Ron Holland noted that the door decals were designed by the daughter of City Councilwoman Renee Cooper-Scott.

The 1988 Caprice was purchased from the Texas Department of Public Safety for \$4,500 and the 1988 Caprice was purchased for \$2,400 from the Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission. New light bars for the cars were added at a cost of \$500 each.

The new vehicles are navy blue with a wide, yellow, reflective stripe down each side edged with red stripes.

The new police cars are already in service around town. Officer Jay Reeves began using the first car Thursday night and Officer Jeff Argo put the second car into use Friday.

Holland commented he hopes to add two more newer cars next year to get the city's police vehicles up to an acceptable condition.

NEWSBRIEFS

Rabies vaccination clinic today

A veterinarian from Marek Clinic will be in Eagle Lake Thursday, July 8, from 4:30 to 6 p.m. to vaccinate dogs and cats against rabies, 601 Tate Ave. (Middle School Road) the Lynn Ellis residence. The immunizations are \$8 each. Pet owners are urged to bring their cats and dogs. Call 234-7582 for information.

VFW and auxiliary meet tonight

The Rice Memorial Veterans of Foreign Wars #8783 and Ladies Auxiliary will meet Thursday, July 8, at 7 p.m. for supper followed by the meeting. Catherine Berger, auxiliary president, invites all members to attend. It is the first meeting of the new club year and all members are needed to carry out the plans for the year.

CCA to give out food Monday

The Combined Community Action Inc. will distribute USDA surplus food Monday, July 12, in Colorado County. The sites will be Providence Baptist Church in Eagle Lake, 1207 E. State St. from 11:30 a.m. to noon; CCA Community Center in Columbus from 1:30 to 2 p.m.; and Weimar City Hall from 10 to 10:30 a.m.

Lodge to install officers

The Eagle Lake Masonic Lodge will have their installation of officers Friday, July 9, at 7:30 p.m. The installation will be held in the Lodge Hall.

Used books wanted

Donations of books are sought for the Eagle Lake Study Club used book sale. The book sale, July 19-23, will benefit the Wintermann Library. Book donations are being accepted at the library for the sale.

Baptist VBS begins July 12

Summershine, the First Baptist Church Vacation Bible School, will be July 12-16 from 9 a.m. to noon daily. The classes are for ages four through sixth grade and all area children are invited to attend. A parents night will be presented Friday, July 16, at 7 p.m.

Defensive driving course set

A defensive driving course is offered July 13-14 in the Wintermann Library in Eagle Lake. Class will be 6 to 10 p.m. each evening taught by Gilbert Kiel, retired DPS sergeant. To preregister call 234-2042 or report to the first class early. This course can be used for dismissal of a traffic violation or discount on auto insurance.

Join the community musical

A communitywide musical is planned at the United Methodist Church of Eagle Lake Sunday, July 25, at 7 p.m. Rev. Larry Bailey, master of ceremonies for the evening, invites everyone to come and participate as individuals and audience.

VA office moves

The Houston Regional Office of the Dept. of Veterans Affairs is moving from 2515 Murworth Drive in Houston. The new building is located at 8900 Lakes at 610 Drive. The telephone number will remain the same.

Jones found guilty of capital murder

The trial of James Lee Jones for the murders of Terry Causey and Davis Henry at the Western Club in Altair last summer concluded Friday, July 2, with the jury bringing in a verdict of guilty at approximately 6:30 p.m. following a little over 2 hours of deliberation.

A sentence of life in prison was handed down by Judge Dwight Peschell immediately following the announcement of the verdict.

According to District Attorney W.C. "Bud" Kirkendall, the death penalty was waived making the life sentence mandatory by law.

Jones will be required to serve a minimum of 35 calendar years, with no "good time" allowed, before he becomes eligible for parole.

The law also gives the defense 30 days to file an appeal. Kirkendall expects that to happen since the maximum penalty was given and the defense entered several objections, including one against the lack of minorities on the jury, during the trial. They (the defense) were also denied a continuance in order to bring in an expert witness.

"The only limitation on a criminal appeal is the number of pages," Kirkendall stated, when contacted Tuesday, commented, "I am very pleased with the jury's decision. I think this case was really made by the hard work of Lt. R.H. "Curly" Wied, Ranger Brian Taylor and Sheriff Bill Esterling. Almost 100 exhibits were presented to the jury. They (investigative officers) did a good job of accumulating and presenting the evidence to the jury."

Lt. Wied stated that they (the Sheriff's Department) were satisfied with the outcome. He added, "I think the D.A.'s office did a good job."

School Board to hear TAAS results Monday

The Rice Consolidated School Board trustees will meet Monday, July 12 at 4 p.m. to hear the results of the TAAS tests given in the spring.

The meeting is open to the public and parents as well as other interested citizens of the district are encouraged to attend. Supt. Carolyn McGaughey will present the results of students' scores in the district.

The RCISD trustees will have their regular board meeting Monday at 7:30 p.m. This and all meetings are open to the public and parents are welcome to attend.

Police kept busy with criminal mischief Thursday

The Eagle Lake Police Dept. had a very busy week answering calls.

Thursday, July 1, Officer Jay Reeves responded to a call reporting criminal mischief on Cemetery St. A rear window of a van was broken out.

A plate glass window was broken out at the McCrory Auction Sales building, 201 S. McCarty in an act of criminal mischief.

Two BB holes were found in the front window of the Eagle Lake Headlight office. These cases were investigated by Chief Lupe Villarreal.

Also Thursday, police received a report that a door frame, door knob and deadbolt had been damaged at a residence on S. Austin Road by a subject. The case is under investigation.

Officer Jeff Argo investigated a report of assault at a residence on Prairie St. July 2.

July 3, Officer Argo responded to a report from a city employee that a child had been bitten by a dog on Schley St. The victim's mother pointed out the dog to Officer Argo but the dog escaped from him and the animal warden. The dog's owner is to be contacted.

The same day, Officer Eric Hart received a report of theft of a purse. The purse was later returned to the owner on no charges were filed.

Sunday, July 4, at 12:11 a.m., Officer Reeves and Sgt. Clem Johnson were told of an assault that occurred at the Community Center. After investigating, Robert Parker Jr. was arrested for disorderly conduct, criminal mischief and an outstanding warrant for minor in possession. Parker was taken to county jail for confinement.

Officer Hart was dispatched to Dan's Minute Stop July 5 about a hit and run accident. A subject had backed into another vehicle then driven off. The vehicle sustained approximately \$600 in damages.



Rotarians show off plaques

New officers and award recipients for the Eagle Lake Rotary Club were honored at the June 30 meeting. From left to right are Fred R. Fmk, Rotarian of the Year for 1992-93; Robert Griffith, treasurer; Bill Shuart, seated, outgoing president accepts plaque from incoming Pres. Jim Buckner; W.C. Ailey, Outstanding Community Service award recipient; T.J. Smith, installing officer; and Blair Hickey, secretary. (See story, Page 6)

Photo by William H. Harrison

Courthouse drawings go to Library of Congress

Drawings of the Colorado County Courthouse will soon be part of the permanent collection in the Library of Congress in Washington, D.C., due to the efforts of some college students.

The Colorado County Historical Commission recently met with students from the Windle Preservation Institute-Summer 1993 in the district courtroom of the courthouse.

The institute is made up of architecture students from University of Houston and University of Texas at Austin.

Their summer project was to make measured drawings and detailed field notes of the county courthouse which will be sent to the Library of Congress for permanent placement in their files.

The 22 students were under the supervision of UT Professors Wayne Bell and Dan Leary and UH Prof. Barry Moore.

County Judge H.O. "Buck" Strunk presented each student with a resolution of appreciation from the county.

Gloria Jaster, administrator of the Windle Historical Center, was present for the meeting.

Historical Commission Chairman Doris Albright was in charge of the arrangements.

Concert planned July 18 at First Baptist

First Baptist Church of Eagle Lake will host a concert by David Phelps of Waco, on Sunday, July 18 at 7 p.m.

Phelps has been expanding his concert ministry for the past four years to reach more people. He has performed for the Southern Baptist Convention, Texas Baptist Evangelism Conference, Glorieta Music Week and countless churches across the United States.

At the Christian Artist Music Seminar in the Rockies, Phelps was awarded first place in vocal competition and was a finalist in the songwriting. His music and ministry show that he feels God's call to show there is hope and joy in the Christian life.

This concert is open to all of Eagle Lake and the surrounding communities. Everyone is invited to attend.